

Library MUSINGS

VISION STATEMENT:
All people in our community value & use the Lawton Public Library.

MISSION STATEMENT:
Provide opportunities to engage in life-long learning.



- E-Books
- E-Magazines
- E-Audio
- E-Video
- Learn a Foreign Language
- Find a Wiring Diagram for your car
- Find research articles
- & SO MUCH MORE!



HOLIDAY GRAB & GO FAMILY BAGS

Monday, December 14 – Wednesday, December 23
10:00 am – 4:00 pm daily, while supplies last
Family Fun

Grab a family bag full of multiple crafts & activities to do during winter break. Each bag contains supplies for up to 4 children. All bags are identical. Pick up at Youth Services or Curbside. Post photos to the library's Facebook page or email libraryhelp@lawtonok.gov

WINTER HOUSEPLANT SWAP

Thursday, December 10
6:00 pm – 6:30 pm
All Ages

Bring a plant, take a plant. Enjoy a new-to-you houseplant this winter.



VIRTUAL CLASSES

VIRTUAL TECH MINUTE: HOLIDAY LETTERS

Wednesday, December 2; 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Ages 11+

Haven't had a chance to let Santa know what you want this year? It's not too late! Join us at 6:00 pm for an easy to follow tutorial on creating a Letter to Santa using Microsoft Word. Zoom registration required. Please email libraryhelp@lawtonok.gov to register.



VIRTUAL ADULTISH CRAFTS: MONSTER BOOK OF MONSTERS BOOK SAFE

Wednesday, December 9
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Ages 16+

Nothing says holidays like hiding your treats! Pick up a Grab & Go Book Safe craft bag anytime from December 7 – 11 & watch the craft video posted on the Library's Facebook page at 6 pm on December 9th.



VIRTUAL TRIWIZARD TRIVIA TOURNAMENT

Tuesday, December 22
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Ages 8+

Attention Muggles & Magic-folk alike! Time to brush up on your knowledge of the wizarding world. The quizarding tournament begins at 6:00 pm. Email libraryhelp@lawtonok.gov to register. If playing with a group in your home, only one person needs to register. You will be emailed Zoom login information upon registration.



KIDS

EARLY READER'S ACADEMY

Age-based classes that promote school readiness skills for our youngest readers.

MOVERS & SHAKERS

Tuesdays, December 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
10:00 am – 10:30 am
Ages 3 – 6 & Caregivers



Explore early literacy through fingerplays, rhymes, stories, songs, & music. Thirty minutes of singing, talking, reading & moving.

WIGGLERS & CRAWLERS

Thursdays, December 3, 10, 17, 31
10:00 am – 10:30 am
Ages 0 – 3 & Caregivers



Lap-time fun for infants & toddlers using rhymes, bounces, fingerplays, & songs that promote early literacy skills.

LEGO MANIA

Tuesday, December 8 (2nd Tuesday)
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm; Ages 6 – 18

Flex your imagination & boost your STEAM skills with LEGOS.

SIT, STAY, READ: LITERACY DOGS!

Returns January 28, 2021!

YEAR-ROUND FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK STORE AT MAIN & BRANCH LIBRARIES

GET THE NEWSLETTER ONLINE: To receive the library's monthly newsletter in your email, send an email to: librarynews@lawtonok.gov with "subscribe" in the subject line.

We are pleased to provide assistance. If you need help, just ask.

Give Curbside Book
Pick Up a Try!

WINTER READING
@ THE LIBRARY
Coming in January!

LOCATIONS & HOURS

lawtonok.gov/departments/library

Main Library

110 SW 4th Street
Lawton, OK 73501
580.581.3450

Mon – Wed 9:00 am – 8:00 pm
Thu – Sat 9:00 am – 6:00 pm
Sun Closed

Kathleen Wyatt Nicholson

Branch Library

1304 NW Kingswood Road
Lawton, OK 73505
580.581.3457

Tue & Thu 12:00 noon – 5:00 pm
Sat 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

LIBRARY BOARD

The next library board meeting is Wednesday, January 6 @ 4:00 pm. The public is invited to all meetings.

Chair _____ Patty Neuwirth
Vice Chair _____ Susan Kremmer
Member _____ Frantzie Couch
Member _____ Ellouise Love
Member _____ Tom Rine

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The Friends of the Library meet quarterly. The next meeting is Monday, January 25 @ 12 noon.

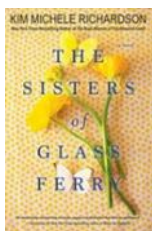
Support your Friends of the Library. Become a member today! Annual membership is just \$10.00 per person or \$20.00 per family.

ADULTS

PAGE TURNERS FICTION BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, December 8; 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

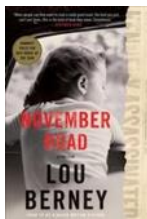
This month's book is *The Sisters of Glass Ferry* by Kim Michele Richardson. Next month's book is *News of the World* by Paulette Jiles. Both books are in Hoopla. Call Reference to reserve a copy of the book. 580-581-3450 ext. 4



COVER-TO-COVER BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, December 15; 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

This month's book is *November Road* by Lou Berney. Next month's book is *Whisper Network* by Chandler Baker. Call Reference at 580.581.3450 ext. 4 to order next month's book.



SWOGS MEETING

No meeting in December.

25 DAYS OF FITMAS

December 1 – 25; All Ages
See the insert for more details!

FITMAS VIRTUAL WORKOUTS

Tuesdays, December 1, 8, 15, 22
12:00 noon – 12:30 pm; All Ages

Email libraryhelp@lawtonok.gov to register for these 30-minute Zoom classes that can be done on your lunch break!



HEALTHY FOOD OPTIONS

Tuesday, December 8
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm; All Ages

Change up your snacks to healthier options. Stop by the booth inside the library. Sponsored by the Comanche County Health Department.



TEENS

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

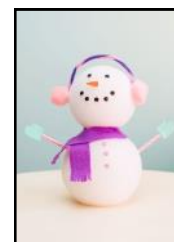
Tuesday, December 1
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm; Ages 12 – 18

Wanted: dedicated teens with innovative ideas! Join us the first Tuesday of every month to give your input on programs & events.

TEEN NIGHT GIFT EXCHANGE & SNOWMAN CRAFT

Tuesday, December 1
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Ages 12 – 18

Bring 1 wrapped gender-neutral gift between \$5 – \$10 for a white elephant gift exchange.



TEEN BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, December 29
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Ages 12 – 18

Choose your own holiday themed read.



WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE

November 1 – December 30
Both Locations

Donate your new & gently used winter coats, socks, gloves, hats, & scarves.



SHOP LOCAL FIRST!

If you do use Amazon, they will contribute 0.5% of your purchase price to Friends of the Lawton Public Library if you sign up to support our organization. To participate & to help Friends of the Lawton Public Library, simply go to www.smile.amazon.com & follow the instructions.

25 Days of Fitmas

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<p>You can modify activities as appropriate. Always consult your physician before beginning any exercise program.</p>	<p>1 Sign up for virtual workout through Zoom @ 12 noon</p>	<p>2 Enjoy 20 minutes of Cardio</p>	<p>3 Take some time for self-care & stretching!</p>	<p>4 AMRAP in 20 minutes: 15 jumping jacks 10 squats 5 push-ups</p>	<p>5 Enjoy 30 minutes of Cardio</p>
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<p>13 Failing to plan is planning to fail. Prep your meals for the week!</p>	<p>15 Sign up for virtual workout through Zoom @ 12 noon</p>	<p>16 Enjoy 20 minutes of Cardio</p>	<p>17 Take some time for self-care & stretching!</p>	<p>18 AMRAP in 20 minutes: 15 jumping jacks 10 squats 5 push-ups</p>	<p>19 Enjoy 30 minutes of Cardio</p>
<p>20 Drink your water!</p>	<p>22 Sign up for virtual workout through Zoom @ 12 noon</p>	<p>23 Enjoy 20 minutes of Cardio</p>	<p>24 Take some time for self-care & stretching!</p>	<p>25 Merry Christmas</p>	



AMRAP = As Many Rounds As Possible
 Cardio can be anything from walking, running, biking, hiking, or the elliptical.
 Upper Body Moves: bicep curl, shoulder press, tricep kickback, lateral raise, hammer curl.



WE ARE FRIEND-RAISING!

Would you consider a financial gift to support your library?

Last year, the Friends of the Lawton Public Library donated over \$20,000 to the Lawton Public Library for classes, events, workshops, reading programs, technology, and so much more!

Your gift positively impacts our community. Please consider giving today. All donations are tax deductible.

The Friends of the Lawton Public Library are a 501(c)3 non-profit entity made up of individuals, families, students, organizations, and businesses who believe in the importance of libraries for people of all ages.

Sincerely,
Jenny Breeden



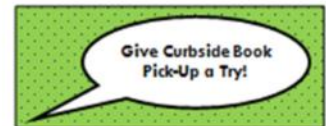
Jenny Breeden, Friends of the Library President

COVID's IMPACT

The Lawton Public Library was closed for 2 months due to COVID.



While the library was not open to the public, your library staff fielded over **3,500** phone calls & checked out **2,269** books. During the same time, people checked out **8,870** e-books & other digital material.



Your library has:

- Renovated the **restrooms**.
- Ditched **late fees** on overdue books.
- Started selling **LATS** bus passes.
- Offered **online** Summer Reading.
- Launched a **StoryWalk®** @ Elmer Thomas Park.
- Provided **Grab & Go Crafts**.
- Given **Adult Literacy & Citizenship** classes.
- Provided **Local Legends** bookmarks.
- Created a **1,000 Books Before Kindergarten** reading incentive!
- Installed a new **Book Drop** at the Branch Library.



The library implemented Curbside Pickup, online library card registration, improved library card renewal, and hosted its first of many virtual classes.

Library employees also moved books and shelving around to make the space more user friendly!



Choose your Participation Level: \$30 \$50 \$100 \$250 \$500 Other: _____

Please make checks payable to:
Friends of the Lawton Public Library.

Credit Card: Visa Mastercard Discover Card

Name _____

Credit Card # _____

Telephone _____

Exp. Date _____ 3-Digit CVC _____

Zip Code _____ Donation Amount: \$ _____

Signature _____

If you do NOT wish to be publicly acknowledged, please check here:



Changing Adult Lives Through Literacy

Free Learn To Read Services

- ▶ Do you or someone you know need help reading or writing?
- ▶ The Adult Literacy Program provides adults 18+ with valuable instruction to aid in the development of life, work, and literacy skills.
- ▶ One-on-one tailored learning support is available with instructors.
- ▶ Students' confidentiality and privacy is assured. Instruction is free to all students. All learning materials are supplied.

Call 580.581.3450 for more details



ESL & Citizenship Services Offered

- ▶ Free assistance with studying and application.

Call 580.581.3450 for more details

These literacy initiatives are funded through the Oklahoma Department of Libraries with a federal grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services through the Library Services and Technology Act.

Oklahoma Department **Libraries**




Lawton Public Library

110 SW 4th Street
Lawton, Oklahoma 73501
580.581.3450

lawtonok.gov/departments/library



INTERESTED IN BECOMING A VOLUNTEER TAX PROVIDER?

Contact Kristin at 580.581.3450 for more details.



HOLIDAY CLOSURES

The libraries will be closed:
All day on Thursday, December 24
All day on Friday, December 25
All day on Saturday, December 26
5 pm on Thursday, December 31
All day on Friday, January 1

Databases are available 24/7 online at lawtonok.gov/departments/library

DECEMBER 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 5px; background-color: yellow;"> NOTARY PUBLIC AVAILABLE Call for details. </div>		1 10:00 am Movers 4:00 pm Teen Advisory 5:00 pm Teen Night	2 6:00 pm Holiday Letters	3 10:00 am Wigglers	4	5
		6	7	8 10:00 am Movers 3:00 pm Healthy Food 5:00 pm Lego Mania 6:00 pm Page Turners	9 6:00 pm Adultish Crafts	10 10:00 am Wigglers 6:00 pm Plant Swap
13	14	15 10:00 am Movers 6:00 pm Cover to Cover	16	17 10:00 am Wigglers	18	19
20	21	22 10:00 am Movers 6:00 pm Triwizard Trivia	23	24 Closed for Christmas	25 Closed for Christmas	26 Closed for Christmas
27	28	29 10:00 am Movers 5:00 pm Teen Book Club	30	31 10:00 am Wigglers Closed at 5 pm	1 Closed for New Years Day	

Library programs are generously sponsored by the
Friends of the Lawton Public Library.

