



Library District #2 of Linn County Winter 2008 News

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Cabin Fever Reliever—Library Fund Raiser

Feb. 17, 2008 5:30-7:30 PM

Library District #2 of Linn County
209 N. Broadway
La Cygne, KS 66040

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Special points of interest:

- * Humanities Programs scheduled
- * Dr. Seuss Birthday Party
- * National Library Week Activities
- * Essay and drawing contest
- * Sneak Preview of Summer Reading

Do you like chili and desserts?

Sign up today to be one of the entries in the first annual chili cook-off and dessert auction sponsored by Library Dist. #2 and PVHS Library Club. The two organizations are partnering to bring you a night of food, fun and a chance to chase away the winter blahs.

If you think that you are the BEST chili maker, have the hottest chili recipe or a

specialty chili, stop by the library and sign up to enter your chili in the 2008 Cook-off!

There is no charge to enter, just sign up and on Feb. 17, bring your crock pot or kettle of the BEST chili to the Swan Room at the library and join the fun. There will be a admission charge or \$1.00 for children under 12 and \$2.00 for everyone else. For that you will be able to sample the various pots of chili and vote



Tired of the Winter Blahs??
Got Cabin Fever?

for the one you think is the best by putting your dollars and change in the jar by that entry. You may decorate around your pot of chili and add to the excitement. Hurry in today and sign up to participate.

Fabulous Dessert Auction & Cake Walk

Everyone has a favorite dessert (pie, brownies, cheese-cake, decorated cakes, cookies) that is their specialty. We are looking for donations of that fabulous dessert to auction off at the Cabin Fever Reliever Event on Feb. 17th. **Do you think that you make the best**

dessert in Linn County? If so, sign up today and donate the item and help promote reading activities such as summer reading and the scholarship fund for Library Club members at PVHS. It's simple, sign up, make the dessert and bring it in or on a container that can be

auctioned off that night. You are encouraged to make samples and those will be served along with the chili to entice buyers to bid on your fabulous dessert. Cakes are also needed for the cake walk. All donations are appreciated.

Dr. Seuss Birthday Fun—March 3rd (2 EVENTS PLANNED)

Come join the Cat in the Hat and other Seuss characters as we celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday, on Monday, March 3rd from 4:30—5:30 PM in the Swan Room at the Library.

The activities will start off with children being divided into groups and they will listen to various high school and community leaders read their favorite Dr. Seuss



Join us for our 3rd annual Dr. Seuss birthday party sponsored by our Friends of Library group

books. Then each child will make a "Cat In the Hat" hat to wear, as they enjoy activities and games and snacks all with a Dr. Seuss theme. This event is open for children ages 3-10. **Children younger than 3 are invited to attend, but MUST be accompanied by a parent or baby-sitter to help them with the projects.** Drawings will be held throughout the evening for books and stuffed characters from Dr. Seuss's books.

TWEENS & TEENS (ages 11-18)

For the older folks ages 11-18 we will have a Dr. Seuss trivia game and snacks from 6—7 PM. Brush up on your Dr. Seuss characters and come prepared to challenge your knowledge and enjoy some sweet treats. This will also be a "Thank You" to those tweens and teens who volunteered to help out with the little kids activities earlier in the evening. Tweens and Teens (ages 11-18) are encouraged to dress up as a Dr. Seuss character and volunteer with the kids program. Prizes will be awarded between 6 and 7 for those who dressed up and helped.

Story Hour Plans & Parents as Teachers Play Group

Story Hours are held each Tuesday at 10 AM (ages 3-5) and 4 PM (for children ages 3-8 or currently in second grade). This activity takes place in the round Story Hour Room and includes stories, games, and a craft activity. Upcoming Topics include:

Feb. 5—Penguins
Feb. 12—Birthdays
Feb. 19—Dinosaurs

Check the website:
www.lacygnelibrary.org
for dates and topics.

Did you know that your library has activities for your preschool age children? Check out the Story Hour Program and Parents as Teachers Play Group activities.

Parents As Teachers currently is hosting a Play Group Time on Thursday Mornings from 9:30-10:30 for parents and children ages birth to age 3.

This program will be available every Thursday from October through March.

It will be held in the Swan Room, come check out this interesting and educational program.

Sneak Preview of Summer Reading 2008

Catch the Reading Bug @ Your Library

is the theme for the 2008 Summer Reading Program for children birth to age 12. We are currently planning lots of "buggy" programs for your enjoyment during the months of June and July. More information will be in the May newsletter.



METAMORPHOSIS @ YOUR LIBRARY

Is the theme for the teen program for ages 13-18. Be part of the change during this summer's reading activities. Watch for more details.

Don't Bug Me, I'm Reading!
Is the theme for the adult summer reading program. Watch for more details in the next newsletter.



National Library Week Activities (April 13-19)

“Join the Circle of Knowledge @ Your Library” is the theme for this year’s National Library Week celebration. The theme was chosen because “your library is a place to dream, explore, learn & grow”. This is the first year that we will celebrate the week with various activities.

April 14th we will begin by inviting you to join us for breakfast at the library. We will be serving coffee, juice and donuts from 9 to 10 AM.

We will be hosting an Essay contest for individuals ages 8 to 100. Think about the topic “What My Library Means to Me” and write a brief essay about what the library means to you. It should be between 250-500 words. Your name should be printed on the back along with your phone number. Winners will be chosen in the following categories. Ages 8-12, 13-19, 20-55, and 55-100. Winners essays will be printed in the May library newsletter.



Your library staff is here to serve you: Linda, Chris, LaVeda & Janet

More details below.

For our younger children, we will host a drawing contest where they draw a picture of something that they like about their library. We are planning a special Humanities program on April 15th at 6:30 PM in the Swan Room.

Kansas Humanities Programs Scheduled

The Friends of the Library are once again sponsoring four programs throughout the year, brought to you by the Kansas Humanities Council. The KHC has over 35 years experience in promoting understanding of history and ideas that shape our lives and strengthen our sense of community. This year we are pleased to bring you Speakers Bureau lecturer Sara Jane Richter on April 15, at 6:30 PM. Plucky & Purty: Women on the Santa Fe Trail will be her topic. On June 26 @ 6:30

PM, History Alive presents Clarina Nichols, Freedom Fighter, portrayed by Diane Eickhoff.

On Aug. 7 @6:30 PM, Speakers Bureau lecturer Randy Thies will be bringing a program entitled Cemeteries Galore: “Continuity & Change in Kansas Graveyards. Finally, on Oct. 21st @6:30 PM, History Alive will bring Theodore Roosevelt to our library, portrayed by Phillip Thomas. Mark these dates on your calendar and plan to attend.



Top: Diane Eickhoff as Clarina Nichols, Sara Jane Richter

Bottom: Phillip Thomas as Theodore Roosevelt, Randy Thies

Children's Book Week Celebrated May 12-16

This event has been moved from November to May and we will be celebrating it with some activities to wrap up the school year and prepare you for our summer reading program. This will be last week of spring story hour. We will take a break and resume story hours in June.



Read to a child during children's book week...share the joy of reading with a child!

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Calendar of Events
Feb. 2—Movie: Daddy Day Camp
**Feb. 17—Cabin Fever Reliever & Basket Drawing
5:30-7:30**
Mar. 1—Movie: Martian Child
Mar. 3—Dr. Seuss Birthday Party
Mar. 12—Spring Break Board Games & Movie
April 14-19 National Library Week Activities
**April 15—Plucky & Purty (Kansas Humanities Pro-
gram) 6:30 PM**
May 12-17 Children's Book Week

Help Your Library—BE A FRIEND

Don't forget that we have a Friends of the Library Group and you can be a member for as little as \$15 a year. These dues and activities help promote the Dr. Seuss party, the Humanities Programs, and Summer Reading. Check for details at the library or on the website.

On Tuesday, Jan. 29th the Friends Group met and decided to have a Basket Raffle at the "Cabin Fever Reliever" event on Feb. 17th. We are looking for individuals or organizations to make up a themed basket and bring it to the library by Sat.

Feb. 9th. The baskets will be on display at the library until the evening of the 17th. You may purchase tickets at the library and put them in the can by the



basket you would like to win. Remember the more times you enter the more chances you have to win. Remember your donations are tax deductible and the proceeds go to fund special library projects.

So get creative!! Design a

themed basket and donate it and join in the fun!!

BASKET THEMES:

Book Theme, Movie Theme, Beach Gift Theme, Gardner Theme, Spa Gift Theme, Chocolate Gift Basket, Picnic for Two Basket, Sports Lover Basket, Cookie Baker's Basket, Barbeque Theme, Coffee Theme, Pizza Lover, Coffee Mugs, Tea drinkers theme, Computer nut theme, Crafter or Quilter theme, Pamper me bath basket, the Baby Basket, the Baker's Basket...the possibilities are endless...

Thanks also to those people who are still contributing to the library building fund, we are still adding leaves to our tree if you donate \$100 or more to the library. Thanks for your support!