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# The Herington Public Library Newsletter

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## Happenings at the Herington Public Library:

Thanks for taking time to read the Herington Public Library newsletter. Watch the Facebook page, the library Website and the local newspaper for updates about library happenings.

~ Susan Mueller, Children's Librarian, and Shelly Wirtz, Library Director.

**Fall Story Time:** The fun and educational Fall Story Time begins on Thursday, Sept. 11, and continues through Oct. 30. All sessions will meet at 9 a.m. in the library basement. It's free!

The theme is "Our Wonderful World," with each session focusing on something wonderful, such as books, birds, etc.! There will be special guests at some of the sessions, as well as songs and interesting science experiments. Snacks are always served.

Fall Story Time ends with the annual downtown costumed Halloween walk Oct. 30. Children will visit businesses for "trick or treat."

**Fall Festival:** The Herington Public Library will join the fun of Herington's Fall Festival on Saturday, Oct. 25. Children are welcome at the library from 2 until 3:30 p.m. for a come-and-go fall craft and story event in the basement. Varied crafts can be made for free!

**2025 Notable Books:** The Kansas Notable Books List is the annual recognition of 15 outstanding titles either written by Kansans or about a Kansas related topic. The Kansas Notable Book List highlights a lively contemporary writing community and encourages readers to enjoy some of the best writing of authors among Kansans and about Kansas.

The Herington Public Library received a grant from the State Library to purchase some of the Kansas Notable Books. These books are on display on the table in front of the circulation desk. There is a mix of children's and adult books available.

**Pilcrow Books:** The library received more than 100 books from the Pilcrow Foundation, a group that assists small and rural libraries to build children's and youth collections. Several of these books were used during the Summer Reading Program and also will be utilized during Fall Story Time. They are currently featured on a special shelf in the basement. Check them out!



## Herington Public Library Services:

High Speed Internet  
Wireless Internet  
Patron Computers  
Copy Machine  
Fax Machine  
Laminating Machine  
Homebound & Outreach Service  
Handicapped Accessibility  
Book Group  
Children's Story Time  
Summer Reading Program  
Tax Information  
DVDs / Blu Rays  
Audio Books  
Paperbacks  
Newspapers  
Magazines  
Kansas Library Card

### New Books on Order :

- Twice by Mitch Albom
- Everybody wants to Rule the World by Ace Atkins
- Sugar and Spite by M C Beaton
- Exit Strategy by Lee Child
- The King's Ransom by Janet Evanovich
- The Widow by John Grisham
- Coyote Hills by Jonathan Kellerman
- Otherwise Engaged by Susan Mallery
- The Christmas Sweater by Jan Brett
- Partypooper by Jeff Kinney
- The Weekend Crashers by Jamie Brenner
- Meet Me in the Orchard by Carolyn Brown

**Rotating Books:** The library exchanges rotating books on Thursday, September 25th.

**September is Library Card Sign-Up Month:** September is Library Card Sign-Up Month, a time when the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries nationwide join together to remind parents, caregivers and students that signing up for a library card (we don't hand out cards, we go by number or last name) is the first step towards academic achievement and lifelong learning.

To obtain a number, bring a photo ID, proof of current address and complete a brief application. No matter whether attending school or being homeschooled, the library is here to help. If the library doesn't have the materials needed, staff will try to obtain them from another library. For more information, call the library at 785-258-2011. The library staff looks forward to assisting all patrons!

**Herington Year Books:** The library has yearbooks from 1950—2019 that are available on CDs to be viewed at the library.

**CAC Reader:** The library has a CAC Reader for patron use.

A CAC reader is a device that enables a user to access and utilize the information stored on a Common Access Card (CAC). The CAC, a smart card issued by the U.S. Department of Defense, is used for identification and access to secure systems and facilities by military personnel, civilian employees, and contractors. CAC readers connect to computers, allowing users to authenticate their identity, access online military services, and perform tasks like accessing encrypted emails, signing documents digitally, and managing travel vouchers.

**Book Discussion Group** - The book group meets on the first Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at the library. Everyone is welcome.

**Copy, print and Fax Machines** - Patrons can make black and white copies or print information off the computers for 15 cents per page. Color prints are 25 cents per page. Faxes being sent or received are \$1 for the first page, 50 cents after that. Please call to let staff know if you will be receiving a fax.

**Mission of the Library:** The mission of the Herington Public Library is to provide library resources and services necessary to the educational, recreational, and informational needs of the public. Materials are selected and services are planned to satisfy the needs of individuals or groups within the community. The library not only looks at present needs but also into the future. Staff will attempt to satisfy the needs of the community for both traditional and non-traditional users of the library. It is important that every member of the community have free access to the world of ideas, information, and creative experiences.

