

## LOCATIONS:

Headquarters:  
St. Marys Headquarters  
306 N 5th  
St. Marys, KS 66536  
Phone: (785) 437-2778

Branches:  
Alma Branch  
115 W 3rd  
Alma, KS 66401  
Phone: (785) 765-3647

Eskridge Branch  
115 S Main  
Eskridge, KS 66423  
Phone: (785) 449-2296

Onaga Branch  
313 Leonard  
Onaga, KS 66521  
Phone: (785) 889-4531

Mini Libraries:  
Alta Vista Mini Library  
310 Center Street  
Alta Vista, KS  
Phone: (785) 499-5542

Harveyville Mini  
Library  
128 W Oak  
Harveyville, KS  
Phone: (785) 589-2414

Olsburg Mini Library  
318 N 2nd  
Olsburg, KS  
Phone: (785) 468-3347

Westmoreland Mini  
Library  
315 Main St.  
Westmoreland, KS  
66549  
Phone: (785) 457-2841

# Pottawatomie Wabaunsee Regional Library Newsletter

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## BUILD A BETTER WORLD™



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The Pottawatomie Wabaunsee Regional Library's annual Summer Reading Program was a great success. The 2017 summer reading theme "**Build a Better World, Read!**" encouraged participants to be creative and put their imagination to work to create new and better worlds during their annual summer reading experience at the library. PWRL, with the help of the Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas and in partnership with the Kansas Department of Education, also provided free shelf-stable sack lunches to children as part of the activities surrounding PWRL's annual Summer Reading Program.

Each of PWRL's eight Library locations provided additional reading and craft activities before and after lunch. Many families came to have lunch, play a game, attend a program, and read along with us this summer. A total of 540 patrons registered to participate in PWRL's 2017 Summer Reading Program, and 7,551 books were reported read during the course of the summer program at all locations of the library. The Library as a whole circulated 15,730 books, dvds, audiobooks, and interlibrary loan materials during June and July. A total of 8,014 patrons also attended the special programming offered by the library during our Summer Reading Program.

The Summer Reading Program went hand-in-hand with our Summer Food Program at the Library. The Pottawatomie Wabaunsee Regional Library was able to serve a total of 3,917 individual meals in Pottawatomie and Wabaunsee Counties as part of our annual Summer Reading Program. Meals were served by volunteers and library employees at all of PWRL's locations including Alma, Alta Vista, Eskridge, Harveyville, Olsburg, Onaga, St. Marys, and Westmoreland. To facilitate the process, PWRL partnered with volunteer groups from the Olsburg Community Pride, the City of Alta Vista, Harveyville United Methodist Church, St. Marys Knights of Columbus, and Northeast Kansas Catholic Charities.

The meals were provided by Catholic Charities and were free for anyone under the age of 18. Parents or Caregivers who accompanied their children were also welcome to enjoy a free lunch at the library. There were no income requirements or registration. For more information about the Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas Kids Summer Food Program, visit <https://catholiccharitiesks.org/kids-summer-food-program/>

After the successful completion of our summer activities, the Pottawatomie Wabaunsee Regional Library board and staff would like to say that we are extremely grateful for the community members and volunteers, local area schools, all the parents and childcare professionals, our special guest speakers, and any others that made our Summer Reading and Summer Food Programs possible. From promotion to volunteering time and resources, we know the most valuable resource was YOU.





Pott-Wab Regional Library 2017 Summer Reading Program Photos





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Each year, the Library participates in many community events, including taking part in the parades for the Pottawatomie County Fair, the Wabaunsee County Fair, St. Marys High School Homecoming, and Alta Vista's Old Settlers' Day. The Library also continued the tradition of having a booth at the Pottawatomie County Fair.



Location Activity Spotlight: **St. Marys**



If you have not recently visited the St. Marys Headquarters Library, you should expect a new burst of color and movement as you walk in. Since becoming the St. Marys Branch Librarian in November 2016, Melanie Smith and her Assistant Librarians have worked hard to emphasize that the library is an inviting place for everyone, and they have had fun in the process.



From hanging stars and flowers from the ceiling to finding a nook for a dragon to take up residence, the St. Marys staff has been hard at work. Fairies occupy the back stacks and colorful billboards greet you at the front door. Stop by the St. Marys Branch and take in the colorful environment while picking out your library books, movies, and other library materials.

See photos of some of the wonderful things created at the PWRL St. Marys headquarters on the following page.



**Hours:**  
Monday, Tuesday, Friday:

8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Wednesday:

8:30 AM - 6:00 PM

Thursday:

8:30 AM - 7:00 PM

Saturday:

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

**Branch Librarian:**

Melanie Smith

**Assistant Branch**

**Librarians:**

Colette Goldade,

Emily Palmeri

**Substitute Librarians:**

Caitlin Santacroce

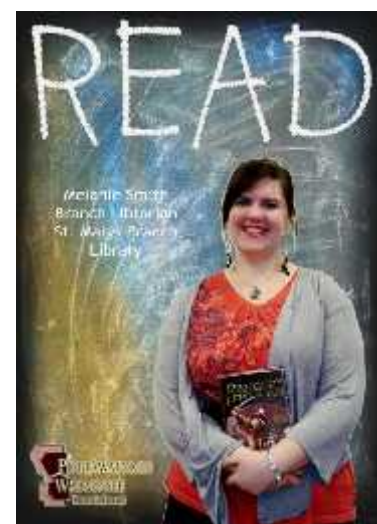
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# TEEN SCENE READER BOOK CLUB!



Come together in a fun and friendly atmosphere with other teens ages 12-18 to not only discover amazing books, but help others discover them too! You'll have a chance to discuss books with people who have similar interests, cultivate an individual love of books, and help others to foster or develop their own life-long love of reading!

## WHERE IS IT?



**Westmoreland Mini Library**  
315 Main Street  
Westmoreland, KS  
(785)457-2841

## WHEN IS IT?

**Saturday Mornings**  
**10:00 - 11:00 AM**

A decorative border surrounding the text, featuring various school supplies and symbols. It includes a yellow sun, a green eraser with the word "Erase" written on it, a pair of red scissors, a yellow ruler, a green pencil, a red pencil, a blue pencil, a yellow pencil, a green pencil, a red star, a blue star, a yellow star, a green star, a red apple, a yellow pencil with the word "Zoom!" written on it, a green pencil sharpener, and a yellow pencil with the word "Write" written on it.

**POTTAWATOMIE WABAUNSEE REGIONAL LIBRARY**

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# Grade School After School Activities

## Mondays 3:45-4:15 PM

# REGULAR LIBRARY PROGRAM SCHEDULE

|                                  |                                        |                                        |                     |              |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| PWRL Branches                    | Weekly Program                         |                                        |                     |              |
| St. Marys, Alma, Eskridge, Onaga | Preschool Storytime                    | Tuesdays                               | 10:00 AM            |              |
| Alma                             | Adult Craft – Yak & Yarn               | Mondays                                | 10:00 AM            |              |
| Alma                             | Bluegrass Jam Session                  | 1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month | 7:30 PM             |              |
|                                  |                                        |                                        |                     |              |
| PWRL Minis                       |                                        |                                        |                     |              |
| Westmoreland                     | Preschool Storytime                    | Mondays                                | 11:30 AM - 12 PM    | 2:00-2:30 PM |
| Westmoreland                     | Grade School / After School Activities | Mondays                                | 3:45 PM - 4:15 PM   |              |
| Westmoreland                     | Adult Book Club – Novel-Tea            | Thursdays                              | 4:45 PM - 5:45 PM   |              |
| Westmoreland                     | Teen Book Club                         | Saturdays                              | 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM |              |
| Westmoreland                     | Adult /Teen Craft & Learning Time      | Saturdays                              | 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM  |              |
| Harveyville                      | Preschool Storytime                    | Tuesdays                               | 11:30 AM - 12 PM    | 2:00-2:30 PM |
| Harveyville                      | Preschool Storytime                    | Saturdays                              | 10:30 AM            |              |
| Alta Vista                       | Preschool Storytime                    | Wednesdays                             | 11:30 AM - 12 PM    | 2:00-2:30 PM |
| Olsburg                          | Preschool Storytime                    | Thursdays                              | 11:30 AM - 12 PM    | 2:00-2:30 PM |





# Fall Storytime

The 2017 Fall Preschool Storytime at the Pottawatomie Wabaunsee Regional Library will begin regular sessions in October. Weekly storytime sessions will be held at the following locations and times. Children ages 3 - 5 years old are encouraged to enroll.

Storytime is a great time to visit the library. Every 30-minute storytime session offers participating children a program of storytelling, book reading, finger plays, games, and songs. Each week parents and caregivers who bring their children to the program have the chance to network with each other, or they can take a little time to browse the stacks.

Younger children attending storytime will be introduced to group participation, new books and stories, and the magic of storytelling. Older children will enjoy hearing old and new favorite stories and participating in group activities.

Class size is limited. Sign up now at the nearest Library location or call 785-437-2778 for St. Marys or the Mini locations; 785-765-3647 for Alma; 785-449-2296 for Eskridge or 785-889-4531 for Onaga to register your child.





# Always Something New on the Shelves

**September:** Mini Library locations rotate in a completely new selection of non-fiction books

**September 12:** New NCKL Books delivered to Alma and Eskridge Branch Libraries

**September 19:** New NCKL Books delivered to Onaga and St. Marys Branch Libraries

**October:** Mini Library locations rotate in a completely new selection of Junior Fiction and Young Adult Fiction books

**November:** Mini Library locations rotate in a completely new selection of Junior Easy (picture books)

**November 7:** New NCKL Books delivered to Alma and Eskridge Branch Libraries

**November 14:** New NCKL Books delivered to Onaga and St. Marys Branch Libraries

**December:** Mini Library locations rotate in a completely new selection of Large Print Fiction books

## Other Events at the Library

**September is Library Card Sign-up Month - Get Your Library Card Today!**

**September 7 - 4:30 PM:** Movie at PWRL St. Marys - *Howl's Moving Castle*

**September 24-30:** National Banned Books Week

**September 26 - 8:00 PM:** Observe the Moon with Jerelyn Ramirez from the *Kansas Astronomical Observers* at PWRL St. Marys

**September 27 - 5:30 PM:** Library Board of Trustees meeting at the PWRL Westmoreland Mini Library

**October 5 - 4:30 PM:** Movie at PWRL St. Marys - *Trolls*

**October 15 - 11:00 AM-3:00 PM:** Onaga Fall Festival - Come to the PWRL Onaga Branch Library for crafts, games, and a raffle

**October 24 - 5:30 PM:** Library Board of Trustees meeting at the PWRL St. Marys Headquarters Library

**October 25-27:** Annual Kansas Library Association Conference in Wichita, KS

**November 2 - 4:30 PM:** Movie at PWRL St. Marys - *Scared Shrekless*

**November 12-18:** Kansas Reads to Preschoolers Week - Join us all week while we read *The Napping House* by Audrey Wood!

**November 23:** All PWRL locations are closed in observance of Thanksgiving

**November 29 - 5:30 PM:** Library Board of Trustees meeting at the PWRL St. Marys Headquarters Library

**December 7 - 4:30 PM:** Movie at PWRL St. Marys - *The Muppet Christmas Carol*



# OPEN LIBRARY POSITIONS

For more information please contact : Judith Cremer, Director

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Job Opening: Pottawatomie Wabaunsee Regional Library – Processing Clerk

Status: Open

Job Description: Job Descriptions for open positions available on request.

Salary: \$10.57 - \$10.78 per hour / 30 hours per week

Benefits: Paid Vacation / Sick Leave / Holidays / KPERs

SEEKING: Processing Clerk for the Pottawatomie Wabaunsee Regional Library based at the St. Marys Headquarters Library. Thirty hours per week. Needs excellent communication/interpersonal skills; attention to detail a must; computer experience required; must be physically able to stoop, stretch, plus have the ability to lift up to 50 pounds. Salary \$10.57-\$10.78. Applications are available at the St. Marys Headquarters Library.



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