



FREEDOM

Once you learn to Read, you will be forever Free.
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A Year in Review: FY 2019

While the last few months have been different for all of us, we are excited to see our growth and what the future holds.

Our summer reading program was either going to be a great success or a fail. We really weren't for sure which. Ultimately, we gave out 103 activity packets, and had 524 in attendance at our four programs held at Osborne Park. Success!!!

We also started our Books Gone Wild program in late March. To date we have given away about 450 books of all reading levels in Elgin, Fletcher, and Sterling.

During the six weeks we were closed to the public, we continued to offer curbside service for circulating materials, printing, and faxing. We reopened May 5 with limited computer access and no in-house programs. I tentatively plan to restart programs in September.

The last three months have taken a toll on our statistics, however, we still had a really busy year.

FY 2019	visitors: 16,355	FY 2018	visitors: 13,250
	circulated items: 19,973		circulated items: 17,907
	computer uses: 2,056		computer uses: 1,850
	programs: 188		programs: 208
	attendees: 2,615		attendees: 2,641

Besides the 10 hours per week that our assistant worked up until mid-March, we also logged in 345 volunteer hours during the year. This rounds out to nearly 7 hours per week.

Our collection currently consists of 12,121 books, 122 audiobooks, 1,483 DVDs, 4 Hotspots, and 18 Launchpads with a total materials cost of \$185,697.

We offer game and disc cleaning/repair service. We have a charging station, plus proctor test. And the list goes on.... We are much more than just books.

We firmly believe libraries are central to vibrant communities. If you haven't already, stop by and check out this fantastic hub that serves a good portion of Comanche county.

Leslie



The last day to record the books you have read for the summer reading program is Saturday, July 4. Your reading log can be brought in the following week, sent by email, or on Facebook messenger. I will announce the winners of the four age groups Saturday, July 11. Hurry and get the books you have read, or have read to you recorded!

Beat the Heat!
Make something Neat!



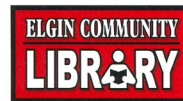
Crafts! Crafts! and more Crafts!

Stop by and pick yours up
while supplies last.

4 - 6 crafts per bag

*preschool

*elementary



Friends of the Lawton Public Library



SPECIAL BOOK SALE

Friday, July 24 — Sunday, August 2
10 am—7 pm daily except Sundays (12 noon—4 pm)

Central Mall Lawton—West Entrance near Chick-Fil-A & Charley's
(in old White Buffalo restaurant)
200 SW C Ave, Lawton OK 73501

Shop early. Shop often.
New books added throughout the sale.
Face masks encouraged.
Please practice social distancing.



For more details, call 580.581.3450 or go to lawtonok.gov/departments/library

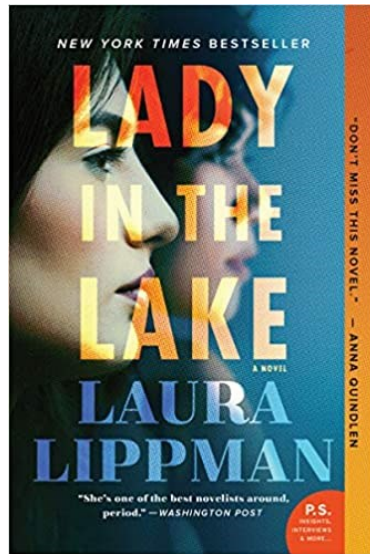
Mark Your Calendars!

Friends of ECL
book sale is
scheduled for
Sept 18-19.

IF anything
changes we
will keep you
informed.

Biblioposse

last Tuesday of each month @ 9



Tuesday, July 28 @ 9

Maddie wants to matter, to leave her mark on a swiftly changing world. Drawing on her own secrets, she helps Baltimore police find a murdered girl—assistance that leads to a job at the city's afternoon newspaper, the *Star*. Working at the newspaper offers Maddie the opportunity to make her name, and she has found just the story to do it: a missing woman whose body was discovered in the fountain of a city park lake.

Upcoming Selections:

July 28: Lady in the Lake by Laura Lippman

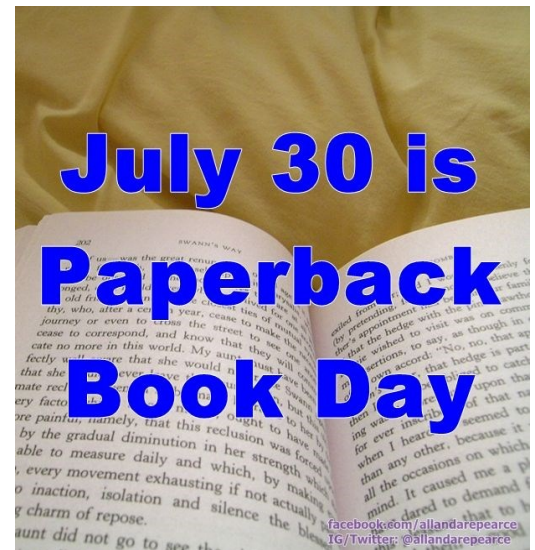
August 25: fiction/nonfiction Native Americans

September 29: Break Me Like A Promise by Tiffany Schmidt

October 27: anything by an Oklahoma author

November 24: The Wednesday Wars by Gary Schmidt

December: no gathering



Authors similar to Laura Lippman:

Chris Bohjalian	Mary Kubica
Jennifer Weiner	Kate Atkinson
Michael Connelly	Karin Slaughter
Lisa Unger	Nevada Barr
Joshilyn Jackson	Louise Penny
Jacqueline Woodson	Ruth Ware
Richard Russo	Denise Mina
Lisa Jewell	Elizabeth Strout
Ann Patchett	Liz Moore



JULY 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
closed	closed	9-6	9-6	9-6	9-6	9-6
			1	2	3 CLOSED	4TH OF JULY
5	6 <i>Library Board @ 4</i>	7	8	9	10	11 <i>Book n'Hookers</i>
12	13	14 <i>City Council @ 6</i>	15	16	17	18 <i>Book n'Hookers</i>
19	20	21 <i>Friends of ECL @ 6</i>	22	23	24	25 <i>Book n'Hookers</i>
26	27	28 <i>Book Club @ 9</i>	29	30 <i>Paperback Book Day</i>	31	
OLA Virtual Conference						