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We have a superhero themed summer ready for you! The popularity of superheroes transcends generations. The first superheroes appeared in *Action Comics* in 1938 with the debut of Superman. *Detective Comics* launched Batman in 1939 and Captain America was introduced in 1941 by *Timely Comics*. Today, comic book heroes are still going strong, fascinating imaginations young and old.

The Summer Reading Program kicks off June 1, giving readers of all ages the extra power of incentives for reading 20 minutes a day. Superheroes can work on strengthening their super powers at all of the special events we have planned to keep you flexing those muscles. Sign up for Summer Reading online at www.metrolibrary.org/summerreading.

Stumped about what to read next? Sign up for email newsletters and read reviews based on reading level or favorite genre. Sign up for one or more to stay informed about recently released titles at www.metrolibrary.org/TailoredTitles.

Check out our Neighborhood Arts performance schedule and list of exciting events in this month's info. Find even more events online at www.metrolibrary.org. You can register there and sign up for reminders too!

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Be a hero at the library!



Oklahoma Images

Roscoe Dunjee

By Larry Johnson



Roscoe Dunjee, center, celebrates school integration in 1955.

2015 marks
the centennial
of a momentous
year in Oklahoma's
African American
history.



ROSCOE DUNJEE

Even as the community reeled from the effects of the disastrous exodus from numerous Oklahoma black towns led by the charlatan Chief Sam (see *Info*, February 2014) and the earthly passing of the immortal Booker T. Washington, two great leaders emerged in Oklahoma City who would have immeasurable impact on the lives of black Oklahomans.

Roscoe Dunjee was born in 1883 in Harper's Ferry, Virginia where his father, John, was a Baptist preacher and newspaperman. The family came to Oklahoma City not long after the land run so that John could carry out the work of the American Baptist Missionary Society. Roscoe was possessed of a brilliant mind. Although he received little formal education, he was well-read, and was influenced early on by the theories of Booker T. Washington, namely developing the African American community through concerted efforts of education and economic self-reliance. Dunjee struggled for years attempting to develop a successful vegetable marketing business while becoming deeply involved in the National Negro Business League (founded by Washington in 1900) and fraternal organizations like the Knights of Pythias. Finally, in 1915 he founded the *Black Dispatch*, a newspaper "to interpret the mind, the aspiration, the object and longing of his people" and to advance the support of black businesses and organizations in Oklahoma City.

It didn't take long for Dunjee to alter

his course and become the engine of protest in hope for civil rights. Almost immediately, he used his new voice to call for the dissolution of Jim Crow laws in Oklahoma. Indeed, one of the earliest of his crusades was the elimination of the "Grandfather Clause" which was used to block access to the voting booth for African Americans. It was deemed unconstitutional by the Supreme Court that same year, 1915. For the next fifty years until his death in 1965, Dunjee and the *Dispatch* were at the vanguard of nearly every civil rights battle in the state. He was president of the National Negro Business League and on the national board of directors for the NAACP and was among the founders and president in Oklahoma for both organizations. At the height of its influence in the 1940s, the *Black Dispatch* had subscribers in every state and boasted in the top five of black newspapers in national circulation. It's simply not possible to overestimate Dunjee's influence on the lives of Oklahoma Citians.

Further Reading:

Burke, Bob. *Roscoe Dunjee: Champion of Civil Rights*. Edmond, OK : UCO Press, c1998.

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BOOKSBYMAIL



Meet library heroes with an identity so secret, we can't reveal it!

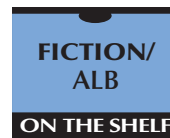
Our Books by Mail service brings precious cargo to those who have difficulty visiting the library. Oklahoma County residents who are 65 years old or older, or are completely homebound can call our secret agents at 405-606-3295 or 405-606-3297 to sign up, order books and even participate in the Summer Reading program.

The library heroes who oversee this program are the voices on the phone who listen, guide, and order great books for people who might not be able to enjoy library services without them. Their newsletter arrives in mailboxes each month filled with hand-picked selections for Books by Mail participants.

Know someone who would benefit from this super service? Give the Books by Mail agents a call and get them powered up with access to the library. Read more, or see the newsletter on www.metrolibrary.org/books-by-mail.



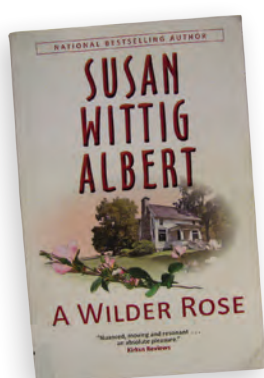
Reviews & Recommendations



A Wilder Rose

by Susan Wittig Albert

reviewed by Phyllis Davidson



We often assume that nothing good came out of the stock market crash of 1929, but if that hadn't happened, the *Little House on the Prairie* series probably would have never been written. Rose Wilder Lane, daughter of Laura Ingalls Wilder, had been making her living writing stories for magazines. After the crash, her income dried up and she didn't know how she could continue to support her parents and herself.

Then Laura wrote her autobiography, *Pioneer Girl*, on school tablets and the backs of envelopes. They were totally unfit for publication. It was only Rose's expert rewriting skills that turned those brief sketches into the *Little House* stories we know and love. Over the following decade, Rose continued to write the rest of the

series without ever taking any credit or any payment for herself. Susan Wittig Albert has turned that story into a well-researched novel that is a delight to read, not only for Laura's and Rose's story, but also for the description of life during the Depression. I look forward to reading Rose's other books and stories.

A Wilder Rose is available in print and large print formats.

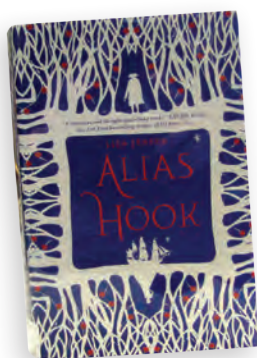
Phyllis Davidson is a reference librarian at the Downtown Library. She is the editor of a family newsletter, teaches genealogy classes to customers at the library, and delves into her own family history outside the Library walls.



Alias Hook

by Lisa Jensen

reviewed by Jana Hausburg



"Is it any wonder I so often try to kill him? Would not his death break the enchantment of this awful place and release us both?"

I remember the thrill I got reading *Peter Pan*: flying boys, fairies, pirates, mermaids – the magical world of Neverland appealed to my imagination. Children, wishing to never grow up, arrived there by choice. But what of the adults; how did they get there? What if they'd been cursed?

Such a fate befell Captain James Benjamin Hook. Cursed by a voodoo priestess, he's spent centuries bedeviled by Peter Pan and his gang of hooligans. He is helpless as crew after crew of seaworthy men are murdered for sport. Hook can't die – the magic won't

allow him to escape his role as villain. He can be injured though; the loss of his hand was punishment for not playing fair, as Pan decreed. Capricious, immature, heartless Peter. All he cares for is the game. Hook is hopeless.

Until a full grown woman shows up. How did she dream herself into Neverland and break the age-old rules? Hook isn't sure what kind of game Stella is playing but has a feeling she might be his last chance to get out. But what price might his freedom cost?

With her incredible book knowledge and sharply-honed survivor skills, Jana Hausburg is humanity's best chance in a zombie apocalypse. She is also the manager at the Capitol Hill Library.



Fiercombe Manor

by Kate Riordan

reviewed by Alexis Whitney



Alice Eveleigh works in an office and lives with her parents in London in 1933. She has an affair with an older married co-worker, and unfortunately gets pregnant. She is so ashamed she can't bring herself to tell him about it. Her mother makes a plan: Alice will go stay with her mother's old friend Mrs. Jelphs, who works as a housekeeper at Fiercombe Manor, a historical mansion built in the Elizabethan era. When the baby comes, Alice will go back to London and give the baby up for adoption.

Alice explores the ghostly manor and learns of the house's history. She becomes fascinated with Elizabeth

Stanton, a well-known beauty who lived there with her husband Edward and her daughter Isobel in the late 1890s. Alice finds a secret diary of Elizabeth's and feels drawn to her while fearing something ominous happened to Elizabeth and could happen to her too. Elizabeth and Alice's stories come together, building to a surprising conclusion that will have you riveted until the very last page.

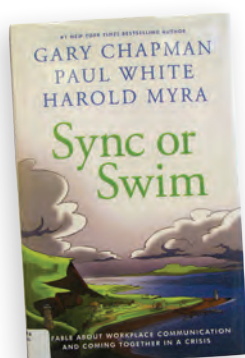
Alexis Whitney is the Adult Services librarian at the fabulous Almonte Library. She is usually reading three or four books concurrently, which makes her stay up way too late at night.



Sync or Swim: a Fable about Workplace Communication and Coming Together in a Crisis

by Gary Chapman, Paul White, and Harold Myra

reviewed by Jennifer Jones



When there's a problem in the workplace it almost always boils down to communication and/or appreciation.

Finding ways to improve both of these aspects is an ongoing process and often it seems the more you try, the worse it gets. Why is that?

Gary Chapman, author of *The Five Love Languages*, explains it in the form of a fable, which illustrates how to get past barriers and start communicating appreciation to diverse groups of people. The concept of the love languages is that everyone feels loved in different ways:

words of appreciation, acts of service, quality time, gifts or physical touch. People are simply wired to communicate and feel appreciated differently.

This book is short, but beautifully gets across the moral of the story. It's a great tool to help solve a common workplace challenge.

Jennifer is the Marketing Coordinator for the Metropolitan Library System. She loves reading, road trips, cooking, live music, and doing fun, spontaneous things with her kids.



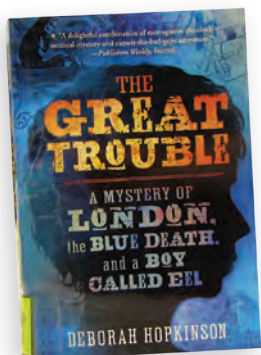
Reviews & Recommendations



The Great Trouble: A Mystery of London, the Blue Death and a Boy Called Eel

by Deborah Hopkinson

reviewed by Meghan Attalla



With all the controversies surrounding health care, it's easy to forget how fortunate we are. Advances in medicine, sanitation, and public health have made once common and deadly diseases a distant memory. Life expectancy in Victorian England averaged around 40 years and many infants and children never made it to adulthood. For those living in mid-19th century Dickensian London a simple drink of water could lead to an agonizing "blue" death from cholera.

The Great Trouble features real-life historical figures like Dr. John Snow, a pioneer in anesthesiology and epidemiology. The story unfolds through the eyes of Eel, a fictional young mudlark who survives by scavenging on the banks of the River Thames. As it happens, the homeless orphan's extensive knowledge of London's

Broad Street makes him an invaluable asset to Dr. Snow who is trying to discover the source of a cholera outbreak—the same outbreak which is devastating Eel's friends and neighbors.

Will Eel and Dr. Snow be able to map out and stop the epidemic before even more men, women and children perish? Grab the book and find out! This novel is on the 2016 Children's Sequoyah Masterlist.

The Great Trouble is also available in print and audio formats.

Meghan is a librarian and children's programmer at the Ralph Ellison Library. She also has a background in history and was an archivist in her previous professional life. She enjoys sewing and having fun with her adopted and foster children of the canine variety.



The One and Only Ivan

by Katherine Applegate

reviewed by Kelley Riha



Life behind bars; that's Ivan's life. Outside, there's a highway billboard sign with what's supposed to be Ivan's picture on it. He doesn't see himself as the angry Silverback beast on the sign. Inside his domain Ivan has a tire swing, a little plastic pool filled with dirty water and even an old TV. He gets paper and crayons to create masterpieces but if he gets bored, the crayons won't last. At least he's got Stella to keep him company.

The One and Only Ivan is an award winning novel based on a true story by Katherine Applegate. It is set in the rundown Exit 8 Big Top Mall & Video Arcade. Mack, the animals' owner, hopes to save his livelihood

when he buys Ruby, a juvenile elephant. Ivan decides Ruby cannot live like this and plans a way out for her.

While *The One and Only Ivan* is written for 8 to 12-year-olds, it is a fine read for any age. Written from Ivan's perspective, this reader found the story to be engaging and heartwarming, well-worth reading.

The One and Only Ivan is available in print, digital and audio formats.

Kelley Riha is Community Outreach Coordinator in the MLS Outreach Dept. She is a long-time performer for children and reviews books written for the youngest readers.

Neighborhood ARTS



Schedule A

June 1-5
Adam & Kizzie

June 15-19
Sugar Free All Stars

June 29-July 2
OKC Improv

July 13-17
Bring Back the Music!

July 27-31
Dino O'Dell

June 8-12
Reduxion Theatre

June 22-26
Rhythmically Speaking

July 6-10
Gustafer Yellowgold

July 20-24
Cimarron Opera

Mondays:

Northwest Library
(606-3580) 10:30am
Capitol Hill Library
(634-6308) 2pm

Tuesdays:

Bethany Library
(789-8363) 10am
Belle Isle Library
(342-9601) 7pm

Wednesdays:

Wright Library
(235-5035) 10:30am
*Events held off-site at
1312 S. Penn*
Warr Acres Library
(721-2616) 2pm

Thursdays:

Downtown Library
(231-8650) 10am;
11am
Village Library
(755-0710) 2pm

Fridays:

Harrah Library
(454-2001) 10:30am
*Events held off-site at Harrah
City Hall 19625 NE 23*

Schedule B

June 1-5
Reduxion Theatre

June 15-19
Rhythmically Speaking

June 29-July 2
Jabee Williams

July 13-17
Cimarron Opera

July 27-31
Chasing James

June 8-12
Adam & Kizzie

June 22-26
Sugar Free All Stars

July 6-10
OKC Improv

July 20-24
Bring Back the Music!

Mondays:

Southern Oaks
Library
(631-4468) 10:30am
Midwest City
Library
(732-4828) 7pm

Tuesdays:

Ralph Ellison
Library
(424-1437) 10:30am
Luther Library
(277-9967) 1:30pm
*Events held off-site at 18955
NE 178th*

Wednesdays:

Del City Library
(672-1377) 10:30am
Choctaw Library
(390-8418) 2pm

Thursdays:

Edmond Library
(341-9282) 9:30am;
10:30am
Jones Library
(399-5471) 2pm
*Events held off-site at
120 W. Atlanta*

Fridays:

Nicoma Park Library
(769-9452) 10:30am
Almonte Library
(606-3575) 2pm



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BE A HERO AT YOUR

Pow! We have a super powered reading program this summer with new features and more incentives. The best news is that everyone—all ages — can be a reading hero! Sign up starting June 1 and read at least 20 minutes every day through July 31. Readers earn incentives for two goal levels, each reached by reading 30 sessions. Weekly prize drawings and a super hero photo booth add something special to library visits.

Zip! We know heroes are busy so our reading program can go wherever you go.

Online sign up and tracking means you can do it anywhere, anytime, from any computer or mobile device. Ebooks & Zinio magazines make it easy to read anywhere too.

Bam! Our summer reading program is for all ages! Adults can escape the ordinary when they reach the goal of reading as little as 20 minutes a day. We have grown-up prizes like mobile device battery backups and pocket sized Post-it notebooks. (What super hero can stay organized without Post-its?)

Zoom! Children can create their summer story with the Every Hero Has a Story theme. While reading is the main goal, other activities qualify to earn incentives, like attending Neighborhood Arts performances and writing reviews of books they enjoy on our summer reading website. With each goal met, children and teens receive a book of their choice along with coupons and other freebies like stickers and bookmarks.

Boom! Teens can unmask their reading goals and participate in programs that power up their creativity, science, art and stage combat skills.

Shazaam! Heroes can use their kindness powers to donate their fine waivers in the Pay It Forward campaign. They can also share the love through the Read it Forward component.

“Any reader who tracks 30 sessions after Goal 2 will reach the Read It Forward Goal and earn a book for the Ronald McDonald House,” said Kristin Williamson, Children’s Outreach coordinator. “Participants get the benefits of reading, reaching goals and doing a good deed too.”

Smash! The Summer Reading Program is made possible by super sponsors. These library heroes include: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System, Sonic, The Sarkey’s Foundation, Frontier City & White Water Bay, Museum of Osteology, Water Zoo, RedPin Restaurant and Bowling Lounge, The OG&E Foundation, Continental Resources, Great Plains Cocoa-Cola, Half-Price Books, Oklahoma City Ballet, Raising Canes, BJ’s Restaurant and more.



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SUMMER READING HERO PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

Hero Nights!

Every Hero Has a Story! Come tell yours through crafts, hands-on science and games!

Midwest City Library Tuesdays 6p

Amazing Avengers

Science Museum Oklahoma presents the science that gives the Avengers their powers. Learn how to harness the strength of the Hulk, use technology to your benefit like Iron Man, or wield Thor's mighty power of thunder and lightning.

Children (ages 12 & under)

Del City Library Tue | Jun 2 2p

PreTeen (ages 9-12)

Ralph Ellison Library Tue | Jun 9 2p

Healthy Hero Snacks

Feed your hungry heroes some healthy snacks!

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Capitol Hill Library Thu | Jun 25 4:30p

Village Library Tue | Jun 30 10a

Super Hero Party

Create your own superhero costume and pose for pics with superheroes. Discover your super powers with crafts and games!

Children (ages 12 & under)

Edmond Library Sat | Jun 6 10a

Zooperheroes

KAPOW! BLAM! ZAP! SMASH! It's Zooperheroes saving the day. The Oklahoma City Zoo will help us discover which creatures can SMASH like the Incredible Hulk or can climb walls like Spider-Man.

Children & PreTeen (ages 12 & under)

Downtown Library Tue | Jun 9 2p
The Village Library Tue | Jun 9 10a
Almonte Library Mon | Jun 8 3p
Midwest City Library Mon | Jun 22 2p
Warr Acres Library Thu | Jun 11 10:30a
Edmond Library Tue | Jun 30 10a & 3p

So You Want to be a Superhero

Grab your cape and join the Science Museum for an out-of-this-world adventure as we explore the science behind some of your favorite Marvel and DC heroes and villains.

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Edmond Library Tue | Jun 9 3p

Northwest Library Wed | Jun 10 2p

Magic Show

Soar like superheroes with Master Magician Michael Corley as he presents crazy stunts, levitation and money that appears from nowhere!

All Ages

Midwest City Library Tue | Jun 16 6p

Comic Cover Creation

Use your creative powers to make your own comic cover art.

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Northwest Library Wed | Jun 17 2p

Spider-Man

Science Museum Oklahoma presents the amazing science of Spider-Man's world!

PreTeen (ages 9-12)

Warr Acres Library Thu | Jun 18 10:30a

Great Cape Escape

Come explore the world of super abilities and heroic endeavors while creating a superhero identity that is all your own.

PreSchoolers (ages 3-5)

Almonte Library Sat | Jun 20 11a

TICK TOCK! READ ON THE CLOCK!

Ready to be a hero and reach your reading goals? Tracking your reading time is easy! Track your minutes whenever and wherever you want.

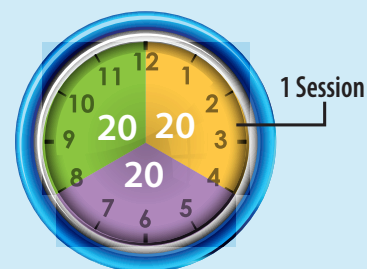
How to track:

- * Log in at www.metrolibrary.org/summerreading
- * Click Add/View Log
- * Type in the number of 20 minutes sessions that you have read.
- * Read 20 minutes each night for a week? That would be 7 sessions.
- * 1 hour = 3 sessions
- * 1 hour every day of the week = 21 sessions

Daily tracking doesn't have to be a chore. You can log your time once a week if you want to!

Track your reading time and be on your way to incentives and reaching your goals.

Want to go beyond Goals 1 & 2? You can achieve the Read It Forward Goal by reading an additional 30 sessions after Goal 2. When you reach the Read It Forward Goal, we will donate a book to the OKC Ronald McDonald House. Be someone's hero and Read It Forward!



Three (3) sessions of 20 minutes = 1 hour



Superhero Magic Circus

Be wowed and amazed with Super Steve's super magic tricks.

Children (ages 12 & under)

Choctaw Library Fri | Jun 26 10a

Hero PreSchool: The Daily Planet

Hone your child's superpowers at the hero hub of information - the library!

PreSchoolers (ages 3-5)

Northwest Library Tue | Jun 30 10a

SUMMER READING HERO PROGRAMS FOR TEENS

(ages 12 - 18)

Super Sculptors

Do you like to build things? Gather with friends and unleash your superpowers through art! Express yourself using unique and recycled materials to create techno art masterpieces.

Warr Acres Library  Thu | Jun 4 6:30p

Super Zoo! Art Project

Unleash your artistic exploration of animal superpowers in this super zoo art class.

Choctaw Library  Thu | Jun 4 6p

The Village Library Thu | Jun 18 4p

Del City Library Tue | Jun 23 2p

Almonte Library Tue | Jun 23 6p

Comic Book Upcycling

Learn how to upcycle old comic books into wallets, coasters and other works of art.

Teen (ages 12 - 18)

The Village Library  Thu | Jun 11 4p

Choctaw Library  Thu | Jun 18 6p

Science of Super Villains

Bring out your own inner evil scientist with our devious hands-on activities, and together, we can overthrow those inferior superheroes! Presented by Science Museum Oklahoma.

Downtown Library Sun | Jun 14 3p

The Village Library Tue | Jun 23 4p

Warr Acres Library  Thu | Jun 25 6:30p

Ralph Ellison Library Tue | Jun 30 2p

Almonte Library Tue | Jun 30 6p

Stage Combat

Work your superhero combat training! Learn stage combat with Reduxion Theatre.

Edmond Library Mon | Jun 15 4p

Midwest City Library Wed | Jun 17 2p

So You Want to be a Superhero

Grab your cape and join the Science Museum for an out-of-this-world adventure as we explore the science behind some of your favorite Marvel and DC heroes and villains.

Southern Oaks Library Wed | Jun 17 10:30a

Gods, Heroes and Monsters

Join us as we lure the legends of old out of the shadows and uncover mythological secrets from across the millennia.

Del City Library Mon | Jun 29 6p

SUMMER READING HERO PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

Heroes of the Bible

Most have heard the story of David and Goliath, join this roundtable discussion about many other heroes and villains of the Bible.

Adult

Choctaw Library  Tue | Jun 9 6p

Superhero Coasters and Magnets

Craft your own super home accessories.

Adult

Almonte Library  Tue | Jun 16 3:30p

Building Meals for Superhero Health

Power up with super foods.

Northwest Library  Wed | Jun 17 6p

Gods, Heroes and Monsters

Join us as we lure the legends of old out of the shadows and uncover mythological secrets from across the millennia.

Bethany Library Sat | Jun 20 2p

Be Your Own H.E.R.O. for Women

Personal safety tips and techniques to help you to be your own H.E.R.O. Honored Empowered Resilient Outstanding.

Choctaw Library  Tue | Jun 23 6p

Be Your Own H.E.R.O. for Men

The role of men is evolving and being redefined in today's society. Learn how to be your own H.E.R.O. Honored Empowered Resilient Outstanding.

Choctaw Library  Tue | Jun 30 6p

To see the latest information about library programs and events, please click on Programs & Events on the MLS website: www.metrolibrary.org.

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ZooperHeroes

Critter Tales

Nighttime Ninjas

Masters of Disguise

Midwest City Library • Monday, July 20 at 2pm

Animal SOS for Teens

Capitol Hill Library – June 18, 6pm

Animal Training for Teens

Southern Oaks Library – June 24, 10:30am
The Village – July 9, 4pm
Bethany Library – July 23, 2pm



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FEATURED EVENTS

To see the latest information about library programs and events, please click on Programs & Events on the MLS website: www.metrolibrary.org

Commission Meeting

The Village Library Thu | Jun 18 3:30PM
Metropolitan Library Commission of Oklahoma County Monthly Meeting



Be Well @ the Library

Essential Oils

Adult

Southern Oaks Library Mon | Jun 1 6p
Bethany Library Sat | Jun 13 2p

Tai Chi

Adult

Belle Isle Library Wed | Jun 3, 10, 17 2:30p

Senior (ages 55+)

Northwest Library Mondays 4p

Yoga

Babies (0-12 months)

Downtown Library Mon | Jun 8, 22 10a

Toddlers (ages 1-3)

Edmond Library Wednesdays 10:30a
Downtown Library Mon | Jun 1, 15, 29 10a

PreSchoolers (ages 3-5)

Northwest Library Tue | Jun 23 11:45a & 12:15p

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

The Village Library Fri | Jun 26 10a

Children (ages 12 & under)

Downtown Library Wed | Jun 3, 17 2p

PreTeen (ages 9-12)

Choctaw Library Mon | Jun 15, 29 2p

Adult

Almonte Library Sun | Jun 14 3p
Northwest Library Sat | Jun 13, 27 10a

Zumba Kids

PreTeen (ages 9-12)

Southern Oaks Library Tue | Jun 16, 23, 30 2p



Book it @ the Library

Tailored Titles on Facebook

Wed | Jun 3 2p

Looking for what to read next? We can help! Join us on our Facebook page to share the last book you read that you liked and our reading experts will create a personalized reading suggestion just for you!

Book Clubs for Adults

Edmond Library Tue | Jun 2 12p
Murder on the Menu

Midwest City Library Thu | Jun 4 10a
Non-fiction

Midwest City Library Thu | Jun 18 10a
Reader's Society

Edmond Library Sat | Jun 20 10:30a
Reader's Choice

Warr Acres Library Mon | Jun 8 11a
Southern Oaks Library Tue | Jun 9 11:30a
Northwest Library Fri | Jun 12 1p
The Village Library Mon | Jun 15 3p
Del City Library Thu | Jun 25 4:30p

Senior (ages 55+)
Edmond Library Sat | Jun 13 2p

Book Clubs for PreTeens & Teens

PreTeen (ages 9-12)
Bethany Library Sat | Jun 27 2p

Teen (ages 12-18)
Ralph Ellison Library Tue | Jun 23 4p
Shinigami Anime

Northwest Library Wed | Jun 24 6p

Summer Book Tasting

Adult
Almonte Library Thu | Jun 4 6:30p



Concerts @ the Library

Noon Tunes

All Ages
Downtown Library Every Thursday Noon
Thu | Jun 4 Casey & Minna

Thu | Jun 11
Thu | Jun 18
Thu | Jun 25

Eukie Jr. with Rob & Nick
Matt Blagg & Ernie Tullis
The Stringents



Art

Toddlers (Ages 1-3)

Downtown Library Wed | Jun 10 10a

PreTeen (ages 9-12)

Ralph Ellison Library Sat | Jun 13 1:30p

Artist Trading Cards

Teen (ages 12 - 18)

Southern Oaks Library Wed | Jun 3 10:30a

Del City Library Tue | Jun 9 2p

Northwest Library Thu | Jun 18 4p

PreTeen (ages 9-12)

Choctaw Library Mon | Jun 8 2p

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

The Village Library Wed | Jun 17 2p

Comic Book Upcycling

Teen (ages 12 - 18)

The Village Library Thu | Jun 11 4p

Choctaw Library Thu | Jun 18 6p

Cosplay Workshop

Teen (ages 12 - 18)

Choctaw Library Thu | Jun 25 6p

Crafts

All Ages

Midwest City Library Sat | Jun 13 3p

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Del City Library Thu | Jun 18 6:30p

PreTeen (ages 9-12)

Warr Acres Library Tue | Jun 9 4p

Adult

Nicoma Park Library Tue | Jun 16 10a

Creative Writing

Adult

Ralph Ellison Library Thu | Jun 11 6p

PreTeen (ages 9-12)

Edmond Library Thu | Jun 25 & 26 3p

Adult

Midwest City Library Mon | Jun 8 & 22 6p

Giant Text Message

Teen (ages 12 - 18)

Southern Oaks Library Thu | Jun 18 10:30a

Knitting Club

Adult

Southern Oaks Library Mon | Jun 8 5:30p

Almonte Library Thu | Jun 11 5:30p

The Village Library Sat | Jun 13 10a

Maker Monday

Children (ages 12 & under)

Downtown Library Mon | Jun 1 6:30p

Origami Party

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Southern Oaks Library Wed | Jun 24 4:30p

Origamistad

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Choctaw Library Sat | Jun 13 1:30p

Quilling

Young Adult (ages 18-21)

Northwest Library Tue | Jun 23 5:30p & 7p

Northwest Library Tue | Jun 30 5:30p

Quilting Club

Adult

Midwest City Library Mondays 9a

Ralph Ellison Library Mondays & Fridays 11a

STEAM for Teens

Teen (ages 12 - 18)

Midwest City Library Wed | Jun 10 2p

Sumi-e: The Ancient Art of Brush Painting

Teen (ages 12 - 18)

Southern Oaks Library Sat | Jun 27 2p



Bingo

All Ages

Del City Library Fri | Jun | 12 4p

Board Games

Teen (ages 12-18)

The Village Library Thu | Jun 4 4p

Choctaw Library Thu | Jun 11 6p

Bethany Library Thu | Jun 25 6:30p

All Ages

Del City Library Wed | Jun 10 4p

Adult

Del City Library Tue | Jun 23 6:30p

featured events

Chess Club

All Ages

The Village Library	Fridays	4p
Del City Library	Fri Jun 5	4p
Northwest Library	Thu Jun 11 & 25	5:30p

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Edmond Library	Mon Jun 8 & 22	4:30p
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Disc Golf Workshop

Teen (ages 12 - 18)

Southern Oaks Library 	Wed Jun 10	10:30a
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Gamefest

PreTeen (ages 9-12)

Choctaw Library	Mon Jun 22	2p
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Teen (ages 12 - 18)

The Village Library	Tue Jun 30	4p
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Hula Hooping with Juggle Whatever

Children (ages 12 & under)

Downtown Library 	Wed Jun 24	2p
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Juggling

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Edmond Library	Tue Jun 23	3p
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Children (ages 12 & under)

Downtown Library 	Wed Jun 10	2p
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LEGO Club

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Wright Library	Fridays	1:30p
Capitol Hill Library	Thu Jun 11	4:30p
Downtown Library 	Mon Jun 15	6:30p
Warr Acres Library 	Thu Jun 25	10:30a
Midwest City Library	Sat Jun 27	2p
Almonte Library 	Mon Jun 29	2p

Children (ages 12 & under)

Del City Library	Mon Jun 15	4:30p
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Yu-Gi-Oh!

Teen (ages 12 - 18)

Bethany Library	Sat Jun 6	10a
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PreTeen (ages 9-12)

Edmond Library	Sat Jun 13	3p
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Rocket Readers

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Bethany Library 	Mondays	5:30p & 6:30p
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no session on June 1

Science Sundays

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Del City Library	Sun Jun 7	3p
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Social Security Disability Session

All Ages

Del City Library	Sun Jun 21	3p
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Please check our online calendar for even more events!

Reading Buddies

Children (ages 12 & under)

Develop super reading powers with a reading buddy. Teen volunteers are paired with kids to help them read at least 20 minutes a day, boost their skills and get excited about reading.

The Village Library	Mondays	2p
Capitol Hill Library	Wednesdays	4p
Northwest Library	Thursdays	10a
Downtown Library	Fridays	2p
Choctaw Library 	Mondays	10a
Edmond Library	Wed Jun 3 & 17	3p
Warr Acres Library	Tue Jun 9, 16, 23	9:30a
Warr Acres Library	Wed Jun 10, 17, 24	9a
Warr Acres Library	Thu Jun 11, 18, 25	9:30a
Southern Oaks Library	Thu Jun 18, 25	3p

Edmond Fire Department Hazard House

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Edmond Library	Tue Jun 2	3p
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The Hazard House is a model house that will allow participants to identify various hazards and risks in and around the house. The Hazard House has many accidents just waiting to happen, and we need your help to identify and correct them! Join the Edmond Fire Department and become a superhero of fire safety!

Something Wicked Slithered In

Teens (ages 12-18)

Northwest Library	Thu Jun 4	6p
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What swallows food larger than its head in just one bite? What smells with its tongue? What has a set of internal ears? Snakes and they're in the library! Come learn what makes these super creatures powerful and unique.

Ashfall

Teen (ages 12 - 18)

Capitol Hill Library	Thu Jun 4	6p
Ralph Ellison Library	Mon Jun 15	2p

Beneath the simmering hot springs and geysers of Yellowstone, a super volcano erupts and blankets the planet in a thick cloud of ash, burying cities and plunging the world into a long volcanic winter. With few resources left, we will have to work together to find the strength and skills we need to survive and outlast this epic disaster. Presented by Science Museum Oklahoma.



1965's Biggest Headlines

Combat G.I.'s are Sent to Vietnam in Waves

Headlines report war activities on the front page daily. 190,000 American soldiers are there by the end of the year.

Malcolm X Shot to Death in Harlem

Protests and demonstrations for civil rights happen all over the nation.

Los Angeles Riots Last 6 Days

Civil unrest leads to 34 deaths, 1,000 injured and \$175 million in damages.

Read all about it in one of our digital international, national and local newspaper archives on our website at www.metrolibrary.org/our-history.



featured events

Zen of Zentangle

Teen (ages 12 - 18)

Zentangles are an easy, relaxing way to create beautiful images and patterns. Unravel your inner artist and create some zentangles.

Bethany Library 	Sat Jun 6	2p
Almonte Library	Tue Jun 9	6p
Warr Acres Library 	Thu Jun 11	6:30p
Southern Oaks Library	Sat Jun 13	2p
Midwest City Library	Wed Jun 24	2p


Kingsman: The Secret Service

Teen (ages 12 - 18)

Downtown Library Sun | Jun 7 3p
Being recruited into a highly specialized government spy ring can be daunting, but luckily we are here to mentor you! Dive straight into the secret world of spies, explore the tools and gadgetry of the trade, and see if you have the skills to survive "the most dangerous job interview in the world. Presented by Science Museum Oklahoma.


Bibliobop: Family Dance Party

Children (ages 12 & under)

Downtown Library  Mon | Jun 8 & 22 6:30p
Put on your dancing shoes and shake, shimmy and groove at the library with dance games, creative movement, props and fun music.


Critter Tales

PreSchoolers (ages 3-5)

Northwest Library  Tue | Jun 9 10a
Ready, set, zoo! Reading comes to life as we combine children's books, biofacts, and live animals in this adventure for children.


Kids on the Block Puppet Show

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Edmond Library Tue | Jun 16 3p
Southern Oaks Library  Tue | Jun 16 6:30p
Join Family Builders as they present Kids on the Block, a puppet show that helps kids learn how to deal with tough issues like bullying in a safe and fun way. Come learn how to keep yourself cool at school (and everywhere else too)!

Gadget Guidance and Games

Adult

Warr Acres Library  Sat | Jun 13 11a
Is that electronic gizmo you got for Christmas still in the closet? Learn about the awesome things you can do with that gadget. Don't have a hand-held device yet? Come visit our "Tech Petting Zoo" and give them a try!

Insect Adventure

Children (ages 12 & under)

The Village Library Tue | Jun 16 1p
Capitol Hill Library Tue | Jun 16 4p
Superhero Insects! Celebrate National Pollinator's Week and learn about the powerful work of insects and how they defend our world in this live hands-on petting zoo.

Shannon Lucid: 30th Anniversary of Her First Space Flight

All Ages

Bethany Library Tue | Jun 16 6:30p
Every hero has a story. Come to Bethany Library to learn the story of Bethany's hometown hero, Astronaut Shannon Lucid. Tour the library's newly-expanded exhibit of Dr. Shannon Lucid's career in space as we celebrate the 30th anniversary of her first spaceflight. Pick up a free memento of Dr. Lucid's achievements and make use of the library exhibit and resources to learn more of her inspiring story.


Animal SOS (Save Our Species)

Teen (ages 12 - 18)

Capitol Hill Library Thu | Jun 18 6p
Animals in Oklahoma and around the world are in trouble! Come discover why animals are endangered and what you can do to help.

Journey through Middle Earth

Teen (ages 12 - 18)

Warr Acres Library  Thu | Jun 18 6:30p
Are you prepared to set out on an adventure through strange lands, unending wilderness and absolutely guaranteed danger? There's no knowing to where the road might sweep you off, but if you are less than sure of yourself, maybe we can help! We will guide you through the necessities for your journey, from topping off your sustenance supply to cheating a dragon-- AND, with a good amount of luck, you will complete your quest and see your own front door again! Presented by Science Museum Oklahoma.

The Science Circuits

Children (ages 12 & under)

Almonte Library Mon | Jun 22 2p
It's time to illuminate the electrifying world of simple circuits and experience the transformative power of science exploration. Budding scientists experiment and test homemade flashlights, complete circuits without wires and design robots jittering with energy.


Animal Training

Teen (ages 12 - 18)

Southern Oaks Library Wed | Jun 24 10:30a
Learn how and why the zoo trains their animals, the basics of behavior modification and play the training game.

The Villainous Earth

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Northwest Library  Wed | Jun 24 2p
Perilous plants and slithering snakes! The Earth is home to many beautiful things, but nature can be deceiving. OSU Master Gardeners teach what makes these things in nature so powerful and dangerous!

 = Registration required for this event.

Kids @ the Library

Play @ the Library

Parachute Play

PreSchoolers (ages 3-5)

Almonte Library	Tue Jun 2	9a
Choctaw Library ^R	Thu Jun 4	10:30a
Bethany Library ^R	Thu Jun 18	9:30a & 10:30a

Playtime

Babies (0-12 months)

Downtown Library ^R	Wed Jun 17	10a
Almonte Library	Wed Jun 24	9a

Toddlers (ages 1-3)

Almonte Library	Tue Jun 2	9a
Bethany Library ^R	Thu Jun 4	9:30a & 10:30a

Warr Acres Library	Wed Jun 10, 17, 24	9:15a & 10:30a
Choctaw Library	Sat Jun 13	10a
Midwest City Library	Mon Jun 15	10a

Storytime @ the Library

Family Storytime

Toddlers (ages 1-3)

Warr Acres Library ^R	Mon Jun 15	7p
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Mother Goose on the Loose

Toddlers (ages 1-3)

Downtown Library ^R	Wed Jun 3	10a
Warr Acres Library ^R	Tue Jun 9, 23	9:30a
Warr Acres Library ^R	Mon Jun 15	6p
Ralph Ellison Library	Thu Jun 18	2p
The Village Library ^R	Tue Jun 23	10a
Southern Oaks Library ^R	Fri Jun 26	10:30a

Musictime

PreSchoolers (ages 3-5)

Downtown Library ^R	Wed Jun 24	10a
The Village Library ^R	Thu Jun 4	10a
Bethany Library ^R	Thu Jun 11 & 25	10a
Northwest Library	Tue Jun 16	10a

Storytime

PreSchoolers (ages 3-5)

Choctaw Library ^R	Tuesdays	10:30a
Northwest Library	Tue Jun 2	10a
Warr Acres Library ^R	Tue Jun 9, 23	10:30a
The Village Library ^R	Tue Jun 16	10a

Toddler time

Toddlers (ages 1-3)

Midwest City Library	Mondays	10a & 11a
Choctaw Library ^R	Tuesdays	9:30a

Children Reading to Dogs @ the Library

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

The Village Library	Wednesdays	6p
Southern Oaks Library ^R	Tue Jun 2	6:30p
Edmond Library	Tue Jun 2, 16	6:30p
The Village Library	Thu Jun 4, 18	3:30p
Northwest Library	Mon Jun 8, 22	6p
Southern Oaks Library ^R	Sat Jun 13	10a
Choctaw Library ^R	Sat Jun 13	3p
Choctaw Library ^R	Wed Jun 17	4p
Downtown Library	Sat Jun 20	3p

Children (ages 12 & under)

Del City Library	Thu Jun 11, 25	6:30p
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Reading Buddies Every Hero Needs a Sidekick!

Zap! Reading Buddies will eliminate the summer slump and keep children on track with their reading goals.

"Reading Buddies are a form of on-on-one reading tutoring," said Village librarian, Sally Gray. "Teen volunteers will be in libraries at designated times throughout the summer, ready to read with younger peers. The program is designed to create a low pressure, entertaining environment where young readers can strengthen their skills. It is also a fulfilling summer opportunity for teen volunteers."

Find a reading buddy for your little sidekick at one of these locations:

The Village Library	Mondays	2p
Capitol Hill Library	Wednesdays	4p
Northwest Library	Thursdays	10a
Downtown Library	Fridays	2p
Choctaw Library ^R	Mondays	10a
Edmond Library	Wed Jun 3 & 17	3p
Warr Acres Library	Tue Jun 9, 16, 23	9:30a
Warr Acres Library	Wed Jun 10, 17, 24	9a
Warr Acres Library	Thu Jun 11, 18, 25	9:30a
Southern Oaks Library	Thu Jun 18, 25	3p

Want to be a buddy? Visit www.supportmls.org/volunteer to sign up.



MLS LIBRARIES

	M	T	W	TH	F	S	S
1 ALMONTE 2914 SW 59, OKC, 606-3575	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
2 BELLE ISLE 5501 N. Villa, OKC, 843-9601	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
3 BETHANY 3510 N. Mueller, Bethany, 789-8363	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
4 CAPITOL HILL 334 SW 26th, OKC, 634-6308	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
5 CHOCTAW 2525 Muzzy Street, Choctaw, 390-8418	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
6 DEL CITY 4509 SE 15th, Del City, 672-1377	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
7 DOWNTOWN 300 Park Ave., OKC, 231-8650	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
8 EDMOND 10 S. Boulevard, Edmond, 341-9282	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
9 MIDWEST CITY 8143 E. Reno, MWC, 732-4828	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
10 NORTHWEST 5600 NW 122nd, OKC, 606-3580	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
11 RALPH ELLISON 2000 NE 23rd, OKC, 424-1437	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
12 SOUTHERN OAKS 6900 S. Walker, OKC 631-4468	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
13 THE VILLAGE 10307 N. Pennsylvania Ave., The Village, 755-0710	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
14 WARR ACRES 5901 NW 63rd, Warr Acres, 721-2616	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6

MLS EXTENSION LIBRARIES*

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15 HARRAH 1930 N. Church Avenue, Harrah, 454-2001	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9-5	9-5	—
16 JONES 111 E. Main, Jones, 399-5471	—	9:30-5:30	—	9:30-5:30	—	9-5	—
17 LUTHER 310 NE 3rd, Luther, 277-9967	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9-5	9-5	—
18 NICOMA PARK 2240 Overholser, Nicoma Park, 769-9452	—	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9-5	9-5	—
19 WRIGHT 2101 Exchange, OKC, 235-5035	—	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9-5	9-5	—

*Extensions close daily for lunch from 12:30-1 p.m.

