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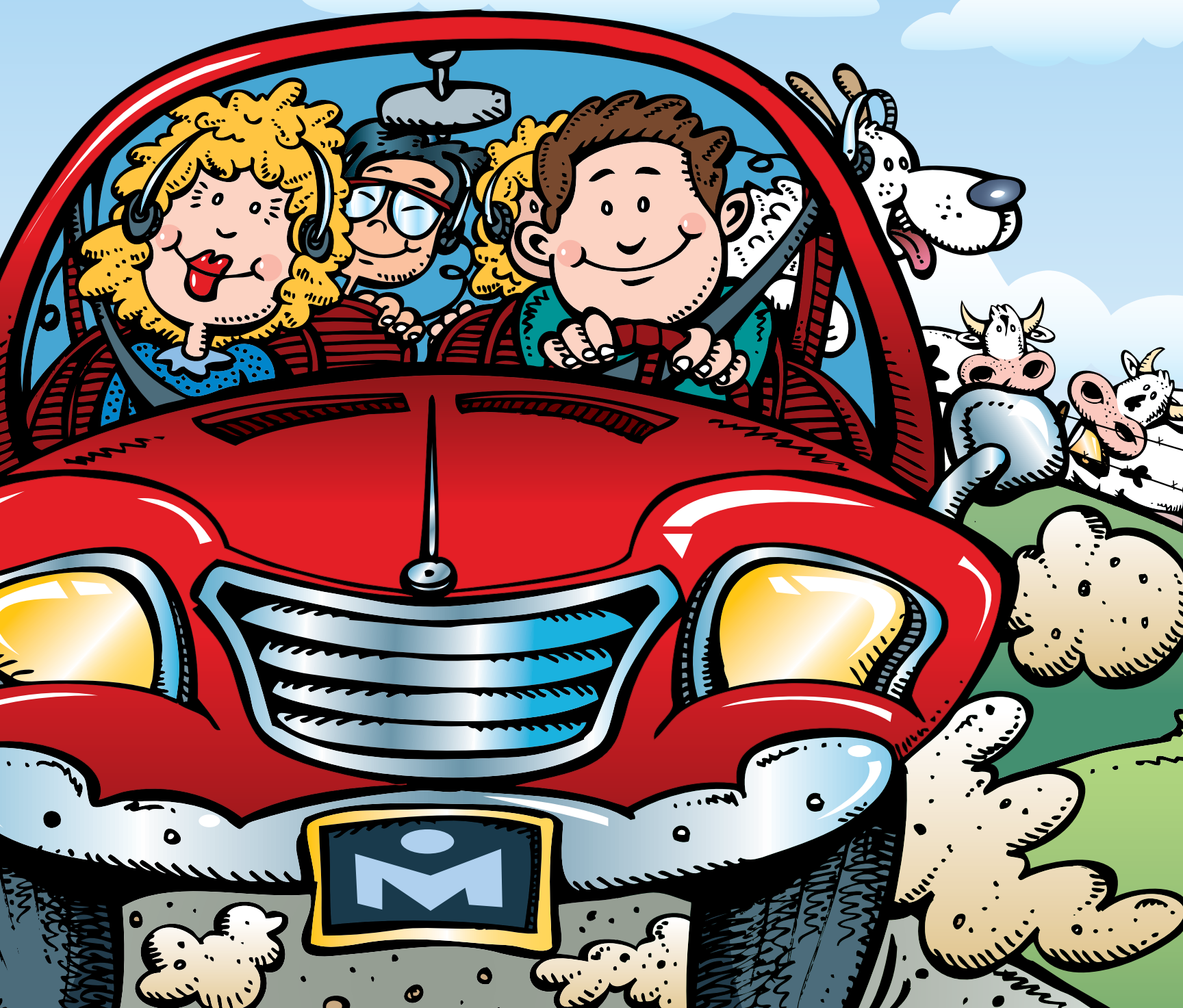
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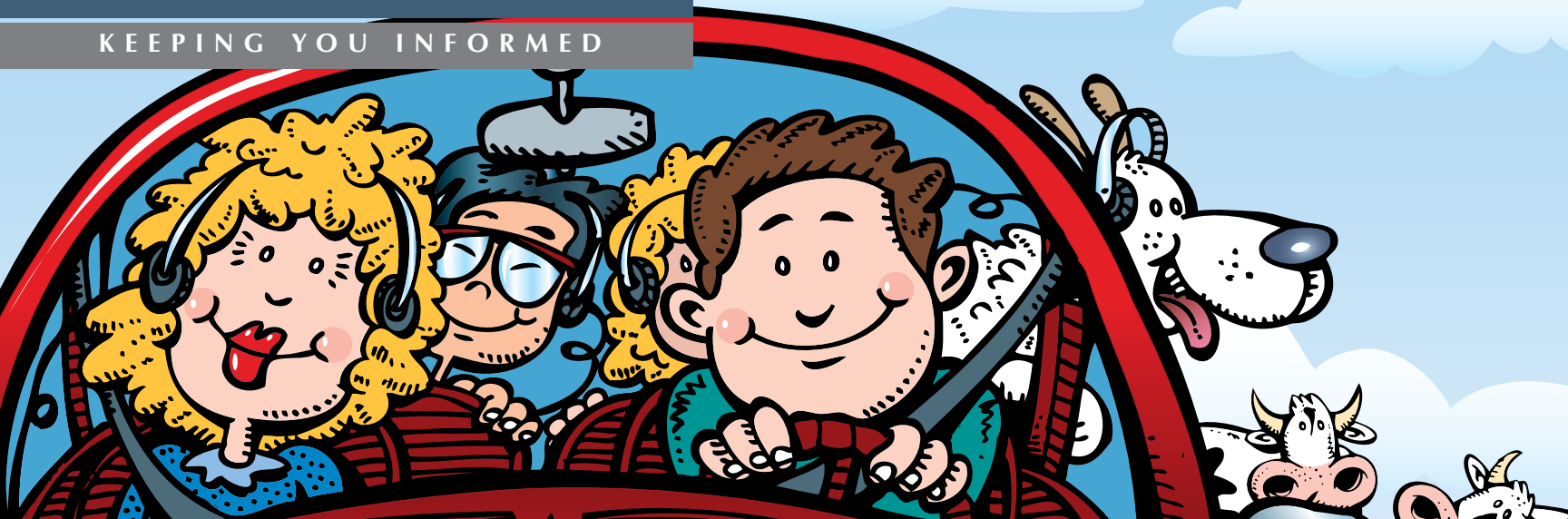
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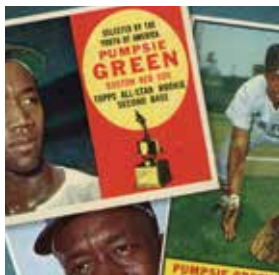
The month of May is traditionally known as the month for mothers. But other than Mothers Day, what do we really know about the month of May? Well, May was named for the Greek goddess Maia, the goddess of fertility. But did you also know that May is National Hamburger Month AND National Moving Month? I didn't think so!

Browse the pages of our Calendar of Events in this issue for a listing of MLS programs that celebrate the month of May and the beginning of warmer weather.

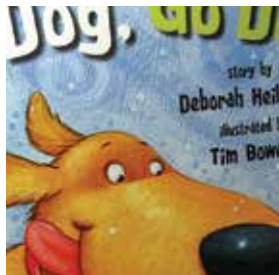
Also in this issue of *info*, our resident historian introduces us to Pumpsie Green. Born in Boley Oklahoma, Elijah Jerry "Pumpsie" Green was the first black player to play for the Red Sox. It's just another peek into the lesser-known history of Oklahoma as only Larry Johnson can show it to us.

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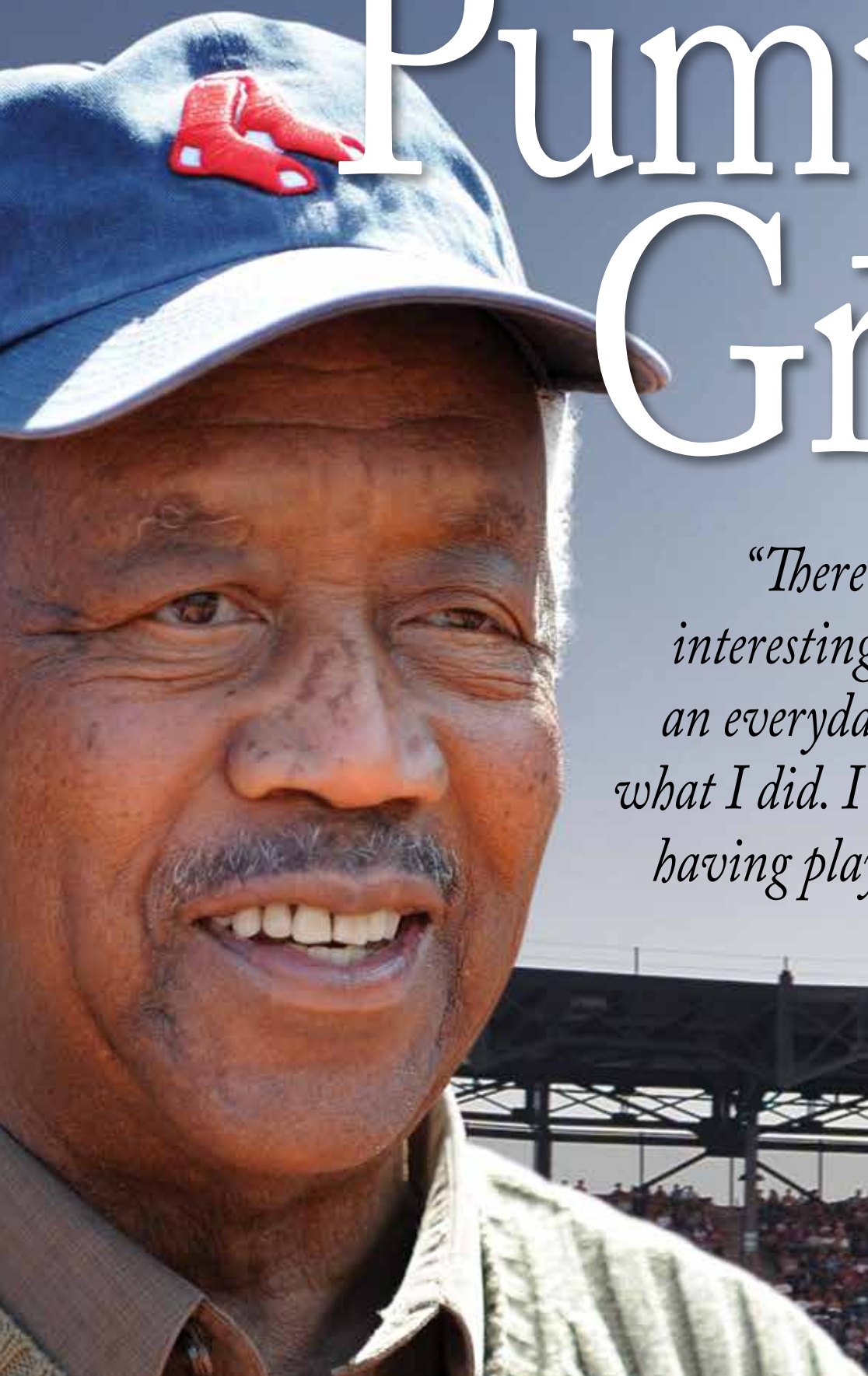


Oklahoma Images

Pumpsie Green

by Larry Johnson

"There's really nothing that interesting about me. I am just an everyday person happy with what I did. I take a lot of pride in having played for the Red Sox."





Elijah “Pumpsie” Green was born into an athletic family in the historically all-black town of Boley, Oklahoma in 1933. He and his four brothers were raised on a farm outside of town until his parents got work in the Oakland, California shipyards during World War II.

Green had played sandlot baseball ever since he could lift a bat and his was the first generation of young players to be influenced by Jackie Robinson after his pioneer integration of major American sports in 1947. Pumpsie’s dream became ever more tangible when he scraped together the money to see the Jackie Robinson All-Stars play in Oakland in 1948. He never imagined that twelve years after Robinson first suited up for the Brooklyn Dodgers he would break the color barrier for the Red Sox.

Signing his first minor league contract in 1953, Green bounced around teams in the Boston farm system until joining the Oklahoma City Indians of the Texas League in 1957. Although, the major leagues had been integrated for a decade, he still faced difficulty while playing teams in this new league and did not even travel with the team when they played Shreveport as black players were not allowed on the field in Louisiana. Even after finally joining the Sox in 1959 spring training he was not allowed to stay at the team’s hotel in Phoenix, Arizona.

A lot of these same problems were exacerbated by an insensitive Red Sox organization. While other teams had shown solidarity by refusing to patronize segregated hotels, restaurants and facilities, the Red Sox allowed Pumpsie to remain isolated by traveling, eating and

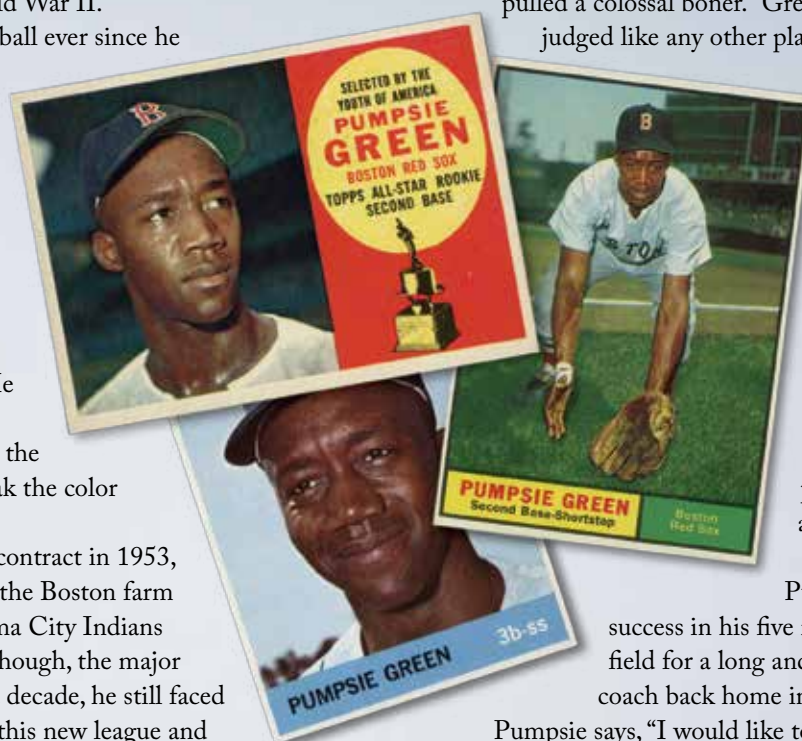
practicing alone. The final injustice came as the Red Sox sent Green down to Triple A one more time despite a strong spring performance. As a Boston Globe columnist wrote, “The Red Sox won no prizes for the way they treated Pumpsie Green...they have undoubtedly pulled a colossal boner.” Green took the high road, “I want to be judged like any other player. I don’t want to be a crusader. I

just want to play ball.” Finally, on July 21 on the road in Chicago, Green suited up for the Red Sox. Baseball was finally fully integrated.

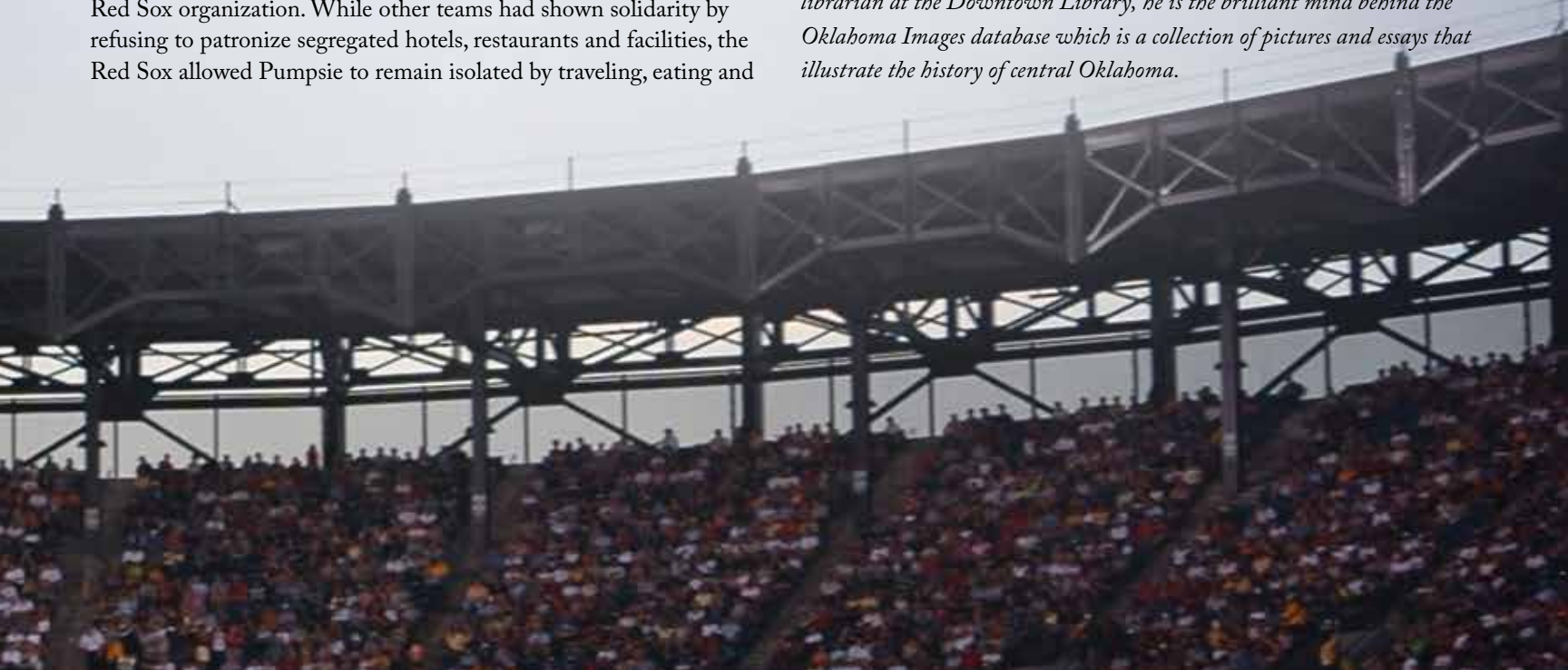
His teammates were lukewarm to the prospect of having a black player on the team but superstar Ted Williams took the lead. Striding out into the outfield one morning in his usual silence, Williams called Pumpsie out to play catch, setting the standard of acceptance for the entire team.

Ultimately a ham-and-egger, Pumpsie Green never achieved great success in his five major league seasons but he left the field for a long and successful career as a teacher and coach back home in the Bay Area. Now in retirement,

Pumpsie says, “I would like to be remembered in Red Sox history as just another ballplayer.”



Larry “Buddy” Johnson has been with MLS since 1998. Not only a librarian at the Downtown Library, he is the brilliant mind behind the Oklahoma Images database which is a collection of pictures and essays that illustrate the history of central Oklahoma.





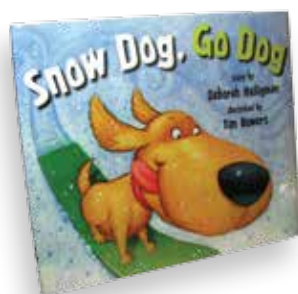
Reviews & Recommendations



Snow Dog, Go Dog

by Deborah Heiligman, illustrated by Tim Bowers

reviewed by Jennifer Jones



Snow Dog, Go Dog is a wintery rhyming tale of Tinka, “a play dog, a yay dog, a loves-to-romp-all-day dog.”

This book is a fun choice for parents and kids to share, or for a winter story time. There’s plenty of rhythm in the rhymes that match the playful illustrations woven across a winter backdrop, making it a great read aloud choice. Tinka and her boy have fun in the snow, until Tinka follows a stray dog too far and becomes “a sad dog, a feeling-bad dog, a wanting-what-she-had dog.” Kids will be in suspense waiting to learn if Tinka finds

her way home again.

Fun descriptions and unorthodox use of compound descriptive words keep this book at a lively pace, and introduce new vocabulary words to the youngest readers.

Check it out in the easy section located in your library’s children’s area.

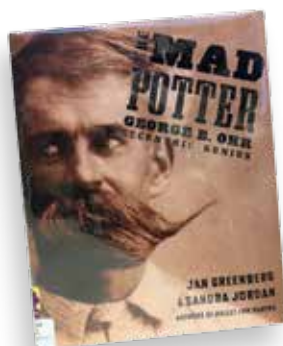
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The Mad Potter George E. Ohr Eccentric Genius

by Jan Greenberg & Sandra Jordan

reviewed by Christine Bassett



This is a fascinating story about an eccentric potter with a talent that went unrecognized in his lifetime. George E. Ohr was convinced of his own genius even though he was known as a braggart and as the mad potter of Biloxi, Mississippi. He called himself the “greatest potter on earth. You prove the contrary.” He was a Pot-Ohr who worked in a Pot-Ohr-E.

Born in 1858, Ohr grew up during the aftermath of the Civil War. He was expected to follow his father’s trade as the town blacksmith but the trade didn’t suit him. Instead he became a helper at a small pottery factory in New Orleans where he learned his craft. George was a small muscular figure, with long handlebar mustaches draped over his ears and a long beard. He created brightly colored, glazed pots made from the local river clay and fired with iron, brass, lead and copper in the mix. His pots were fluted, twisted, pummeled and folded. Unlike other studios that mass produced identical pots, Ohr prized himself on creating “no two alike.” But no one wanted to buy his pots. At the 1904 St. Louis World’s Fair he displayed his mud babies and received

a silver medal but no one bought his art ware. His work did not fit in with the times. He retired in 1910, stuffed his pots into crates and stored them in the attic.

His vision of being famous was finally realized long after his death in the 1970s when his creations were rediscovered. Pots that seemed outrageous back in 1910 looked fresh and modern in the 1970’s. Suddenly everyone wanted a George Ohr pot and pieces sold at auction for six digit sums. Now there is a museum in Biloxi devoted to Ohr, and his pieces are considered to be a central part of the American South. Although Greenberg and Jordan’s book is written for tween readers, it will appeal to young and old alike. *The Mad Potter* is full of colored photographs and written in an appealing style that doesn’t skimp on details. For more details about the museum, his life and work, take a look at www.GeorgeOhr.org.

Christine Bassett has worked for MLS for over 10 years. She currently works as a reference librarian at Bethany Library and is a volunteer community literacy tutor in her spare time.



Longbourn

by Jo Baker



Jane Austen's classic novel *Pride and Prejudice* tells the story of the five Bennet daughters' struggles to find suitable husbands before their house, Longbourn, is taken over by the closest living male heir, the unappealing Mr. Collins. In *Longbourn*, these familiar events are the background for the compelling lives of the Bennet family's domestic staff.

These servants, barely mentioned in *Pride and Prejudice*, are complex people with intriguing stories. The housekeeper Mrs. Hill has a long-concealed emotional burden that troubles her daily, her husband Mr. Hill has a secret other life, James the footman has a troubling past that has left him with physical and mental scars, and the housemaid Sarah's spirit and wanderlust tell her

reviewed by Alexis Whitney

there has to be more to existence than washing out rich women's petticoats. Sarah has more freedom in some ways than the upper class Bennet daughters, but in other ways she is just as hemmed in by personal circumstance and reputation as they are. She is able to choose love, but since she is of a lower social order, this comes with its fair share of difficulties. Add a suspenseful conclusion to this psychological exploration of class differences, and you have an immensely enjoyable read, with characters you will not soon forget.

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



Cress

by Marissa Meyer



In the third installment of the *Lunar Chronicles*, "Rapunzel" joins the cast as Cress in this dystopian fairy tale mash up. In the years that Cress has been locked away in her satellite, she has learned to love the Earthens she spies upon for Mistress Sybil. When the opportunity arises to help Cinder in her quest to thwart Queen Levana's plan to take over Earth, Cress quite literally jumps ship. However, Cress's defection goes awry, and the rebel team ends up scattered across the Sahara. As Cress struggles to adjust to life outside of her satellite, she must maneuver herself and her newly blind hero across the desert. Meanwhile, Cinder and the rest of her

reviewed by Risa White

team meet up with Dr. Erland, who has made a startling discovery about the world-wide plague called letumosis. With the wedding between Queen Levana and Emperor Kai looming ever closer, Cinder's unlikely team must work against the clock to stop the wedding and save Earth from invasion.

This title is also available in audio and Playaway formats.

When not busy adopting cute, furry abandoned kitties from the library parking lot, Risa spends her time being an awesome librarian at the Northwest Library.

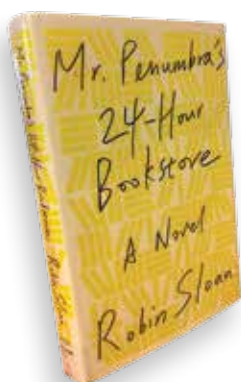


Reviews & Recommendations

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ON THE SHELF

Mr. Penumbra's 24-Hour Bookstore by Robin Sloan

reviewed by Todd Podzemny



When Clay Jannon loses his job in the collapse of a promising high-tech bagel startup, he finds himself overqualified for every position he isn't underqualified for. While everyone he knows is making their way in the creative industries of San Francisco, he is feeling increasingly left behind. By a stroke of luck, he manages to find employment as the night clerk of an odd little bookstore run by the inscrutable Mr. Penumbra.

While Clay is happy to finally be employed, there are some strange things about his new job. Who are the weird people who come in to borrow—not buy—the books in the closed stacks at the back of the store? Why has he never heard of any of the books they are so eager to acquire? Why has Mr. Penumbra strictly forbidden him to look inside any of the books? And why, above all, does Mr. Penumbra require him to take down detailed descriptions of each customer in an old leather-bound ledger?

At its heart, the novel is a warm and inviting fairy tale for the eMedia age. It takes themes of tradition, the love of books, and ancient occult mysteries and runs them up against the modern realities of life with Big Data. Sloan appears to be incapable of writing a boring character, and the margins of the story are packed with interesting and fully realized personalities.

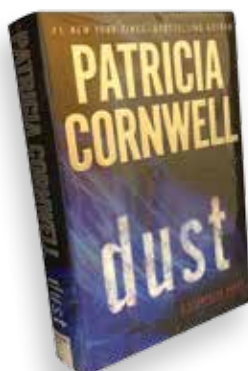
Mr. Penumbra's 24-Hour Bookstore has a great deal to offer old-school book lovers, technology enthusiasts, and anyone who has ever wondered if Google would have put Indiana Jones out of a job. It is also available in digital and audio formats.

Todd Podzemny is the manager of the Choctaw Library. He has a startling new theory for why the caged bird sings, but the Audubon Society is no longer returning his calls.

MYSTERY/
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ON THE SHELF

Dust by Patricia Cornwell

reviewed by Linda Hyams



Kay Scarpetta is back and at her best solving forensic mysteries. All the usual characters are in place. We are reunited with Marino with his sour puss face and unfulfilled lust/anger towards Kay, Benson, with his oddly analytical look at the world, and Lucy and her strange obsession with all things technology. Kay continues to navigate her personal and professional demons, while solving seemingly unsolvable crimes. This book focuses on the forensic analysis which is always fascinating. In this case, there is a serial killer on the loose leaving behind nonsensical clues. Thanks to a DNA identification supposedly found on one body, Kay gets the break she

needs. Kay and Benson slowly break down the clues to find a scandal afoot at the FBI headquarters. A good weekend read!

This book is also available in large print and as an audiobook.

MLS Security Manager Linda Hyams takes her job seriously. She has a keen interest in anything related to crime prevention and security, particularly preparing for a possible zombie apocalypse. When not preparing for such events, she enjoys walking with her dogs and sewing.

The Summer Slide

Summer is almost here, which means the one thing kids everywhere look forward to – summer vacation. It's the time when children and young adults have fun just being a "kid" and can't wait for summer camp, pool time, family time and vacation. But one thing you may not be aware of during the summer is the Summer Slide.

The Summer Slide isn't the new adventure at the park or splash pad. No, the Summer Slide is what happens when children's minds sit idle for a period of time.

On average, children lose approximately two months of their reading achievement if they do not read during the summer. They typically score lower on standardized tests at the end of the summer than they did on the same test at the beginning of the summer. And the few months of reading loss is cumulative over the years. By the time children reach middle school, those who haven't read during the summers may have lost as much as two years worth of achievement.

The good news is the Summer Slide can easily be prevented. Reading for just 20 minutes a day, we maintain our current reading skills. Not only will it help us stay on track when school starts back, but through reading we can experience a summer of adventure by using our imagination

of living in other places and times with fun or mysterious characters in the stories.

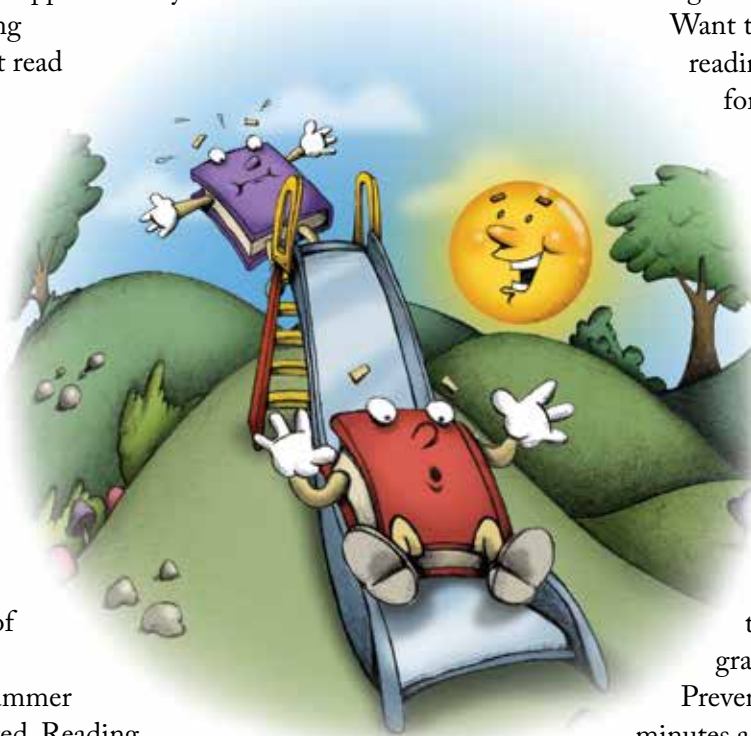
Have children pick out their own books and take the books with them everywhere they go; road trips, the doctor's office, grandma's house. Listen to audiobooks at night or in the car. Listening to audiobooks or listening to someone read aloud benefits everyone. Reading aloud helps build vocabulary skills, while listening builds vocabulary and listening comprehension skills, and also increases our knowledge.

Want to know the best way to get reading over the summer? Sign up for our Summer Reading program.

Summer Reading at the library starts June 1 and continues through July 31; and beginning on May 15, you can pre-register for Summer Reading online. Our Summer Reading program, which now includes an adult component, can be enjoyed by everyone, everyday throughout the summer. Adults can model lifelong learning by participating in the program with their children, grandchildren, neighbors, friends.

Prevent the Summer Slide, read 20 minutes a day this summer. Sign up, track the reading, and earn incentives.

Whether you go visit relatives, enjoy a week at camp, or have a staycation at home, make summer even more fun by reading a little everyday!





ROAD TRIP!





Who's up for a road trip? Pack your suitcase, your sunglasses, and your snacks. Know what else you need? A really good yarn to listen to on the road!

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These self-contained audiobooks are preloaded and portable. All you need are ear buds or an auxiliary cable and you can play them anywhere.

Our downloadable audiobooks and portable Playaways can match anyone's taste. Do you like fiction? Check out Janet Evanovich's

Takedown Twenty or Dan Brown's *Inferno*. Addicted to HBO's *Game of Thrones*? Start your road trip with the first book by George R.R. Martin. Or is Harry Potter your

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obsession right now? Never fear! We have all seven books.

But what about the younger ones in your family? For this roadtrip, E.B. White's classic, *Charlotte's Web* is a great choice. How about something humorous for your middle school aged children – try James Patterson's

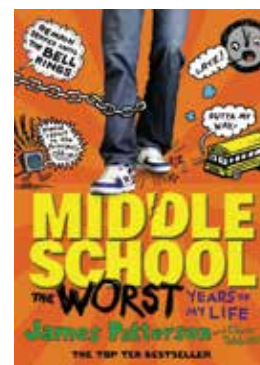
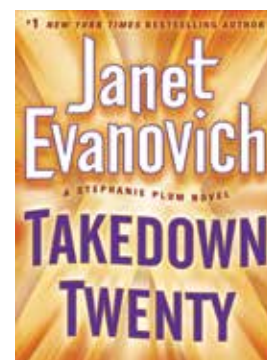
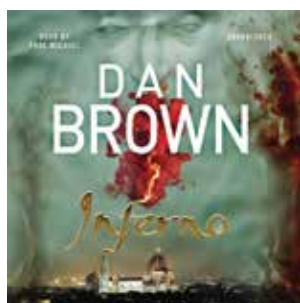
"Middle School Series" with the first book, *Middle School: The Worst Years of my Life*.

We even have classics from Dr. Seuss: *Oh, the Places You'll Go!* and *Green Eggs and Ham*, and Maurice Sendak's *Where the Wild Things Are*. And of course my favorite

audiobook download, which takes me way (way, way) back to my childhood: *Superfudge* by Judy Bloom.

With digital audiobook downloads

from www.metrolibrary.org, this year, you'll hear a lot more drama and plot going on than the typical "Are we there yet" drama of a road trip.



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Almonte Library

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AL's Bookclub

**May 1 | Thu | All Month
Adults**

Want to join a bookclub but can't seem to find the time? Try AL's Bookclub, it's online! All you need is an email address and a Goodreads.com account. You'll get the same lively discussions as a traditional bookclub, but you can share your ideas anytime instead of waiting for an in-person meeting. Also, you might win a fabulous prize! Email awhitney@metrolibrary.org for more information. Happy reading!

Almonte Knitting Club

**May 1 | Thu | 5:30pm-7:30pm
Adults**

Are you a knitter? Interested in learning? If so, join Almonte Library's monthly knitting club. Bring your current project, or just bring yarn and knitting needles and we can teach you how to get started! Crocheters and other needleworkers are welcome too, but we will only be teaching knitting.

Toddlerobics

**May 6 | Tue | 10:30am-11am
Ages 2-4**

Toddlers are invited to get a great start to life long learning through this fun filled time of aerobics designed to develop fine and gross motor skills and help prepare children for reading readiness. Come in or call 606-3575 to sign-up.

Teen Advisory Board

May 13 | Tue | 5pm-6pm

Teens, do you want a say in the events and book collection at your community library? Do you want to gather with local teens who enjoy reading and visiting the library?

Do you want to build leadership skills while creating friendships with other teens? Do you need volunteer hours for school? If you are interested or for more info: Call 606-3576, go to www.supportmls.org/ volunteer to sign up, or visit the library.

Snow Cones and Trivia

**May 20 | Tue |
6pm-7:30pm**

Tweens and Teens

Let's celebrate the end of the school year with a bang! Enjoy snow cones and take part in a trivia challenge. Special prizes geared to make your summer a success will be awarded to the winning team.

Belle Isle Library

See pages 17 & 21 for more Belle Isle Library programs/events.

Jumpstart the Novel

**May 1,8,15 | Thu | 7pm-8pm
Older Teens and Adults**

Adults 18+ will learn the fundamental skills for outlining a plot, building characters, overcoming writers block, following a "writers" schedule, researching publishing markets, and writing a query letter. Worksheets will be provided by instructor. The goal for each participant is 30,000 words or more by the end of the class.

First Friday Book Club

**May 2 | Fri | 4pm-5pm
Ages 8-12**

Kids, Do you like to discuss books with other readers? Kids 8-12 meet on the first Friday of every month from 4-5pm to share ideas about a book they've all read. You may like the book, you may not, but it's fun to talk about it!

May 2 - Charlotte's Web
June 6 - Because of Winn-Dixie
July 11- Half Magic

SCORE Business Counseling

**May 3 | Sat | 9:30am-12pm
Adults**

If you are interested in starting a new business or are a business owner in need of assistance, counseling is available on the first and third Saturday of the month. A member of SCORE, "Counselors to America's Small Business" offers confidential assistance for small business owners, one-on-one. Sign up at the reference desk or call 843-9601.

May the Fourth be with You

**May 4 | Sun | 2:30pm-5:30pm
All Ages**

Celebrate Star Wars at your library. Meet your favorite Star Wars characters, enjoy games and crafts, and check out some Star Wars books. May the Fourth be with you!

Anime Club

**May 6 | Tue | 4pm-5pm
Teens**

Every first Tuesday of the month from 4-5pm, join us to share and discuss your favorite Anime and Manga. Screen new Anime episodes! *Anime may contain material that is considered unsuitable for ages 13 and younger.

Budding Bookworms Storytime

**May 7,14,21,28 | Wed | 10am-11am
Ages 1-5**

Bring your little bookworm to our fun and enchanting storytime. Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 10am, join us for stories, songs, rhymes, and fun!

Spiritful Voices Choir Concert

**May 11 | Sun | 3pm-4pm
All Ages**

Mother's Day Concert featuring Spiritful Voices Community Choir. This adult choir is known for performing a wide variety of music genres and for innovative and eclectic programming which is intended to engage the old and young, the sophisticated and first-time listener. Music for all tastes.

Gaming Club

May 13 | Tue | 4pm-5pm
Teens

Come join the fun at your library! Everything from chess to Xbox Kinect will be available to play. Different games each week. You don't want to miss out!

Tech Tots Storytime

May 17 | Sat | 2pm-3pm
Ages 1-5

Join us at the Microsoft store in Penn Square Mall for a special storytime! Come learn how to check out ebooks for your children and hear some fun, enchanting stories.

Forever Young Adult Book Club

May 18 | Sun | 4pm-5pm
Adults

The Forever Young Adult Book Club is for YA fans who are a little less "Y" and a bit more "A." Based off the popular website, we will be meeting every third Sunday of the month to discuss a different title. This month we'll discuss *The 5th Wave* by Rick Yancey. Contact the Information Desk at 843-9601 to reserve a copy of the book!

Juggling Club

May 20 | Tue | 4pm-5pm
Teens

Every third Tuesday of the month from 4-5pm, join Monica from JuggleWhatever as she teaches you to juggle, spin plates, and use a Chinese Yo-Yo!

Teen Crafts

May 27 | Tue | 4pm-5pm
Teens

Come join us every fourth Tuesday of the month for an arts and craft extravaganza! A different craft project every month. Don't miss out on the fun!

Book Discussion Group: The Worst Hard Time Revisited: Oklahoma in the Dust Bowl Years

May 31 | Sat | 2pm-3:30pm
Teens and up

Let's Talk About It, Oklahoma! (LTAIO) offers more than your average book club. These programs have the added bonus of a humanities scholar to broaden discussions. Over the course of five months, we will read and discuss five books: *The Worst Hard Time*, *Letters from the Dust Bowl*, *Now in November*, *Whose Names Are Unknown*, and *Out of the Dust*. You can come to one or all of the sessions. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma Humanities Council

Bethany Library

See pages 21 & 27 for more Bethany Library programs/events.

Spring Story and Craft Time

May 1 | Thu | 10am-10:45am
Ages 3 - 6

Enjoy stories, songs, nursery rhymes, a traditional flannel board story and a fun craft. For child with an adult. Please pre-register at the information desk or call 789-8363.

Richter Uzer Duo

May 1 | Thu | 7pm-8pm
Ages 6 to Adult

Two highly skilled artists, classically trained and street-savvy, have pooled their love for music of all genres to satisfy every musical whim while simultaneously leaving an audience to marvel at their individual virtuosic prowess. Co-sponsor: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System

Yu-Gi-Oh! Club

May 3 | Sat | 10am-11:30am
Teens (Ages 12-18)

Bring your friends and your Yu-Gi-Oh! deck to trade, duel, or just talk Yu-Gi-Oh!

Make a Paper Rose: Mother's Day Craft

May 3 | Sat | 2pm-3:30pm
Ages 15 and up

Learn how to make a beautiful paper rose for a special Mother's Day gift to give or keep. These roses are fun to make and can easily be turned into a brooch or hair clip. All supplies furnished but enrollment is limited. Please stop by or call 789-8363 to sign up.

The Children's Hour Evening Story Time

May 6 | Tue | 6:30pm-7pm
Ages 3-8

Share a half-hour of fun with your child! Enjoy stories, songs, nursery rhymes and a traditional flannel board story. Pre-register at the library information desk or call 789-8363.

Play and Story Time

May 8 | Thu | 9:30am-10:15am & 10:30 am-11:15 am
Ages 12 Months to 4 Years

Enjoy play time with your child plus a story, music and nursery rhymes. For child with adult. Choose the 9:30 or 10:30 session. Pre-register at the library information desk or call 789-8363.

Classical Guitarist, Peter Fletcher

May 10 | Sat | 2pm-3pm
All Ages

From New York City, Peter Fletcher has traveled the globe. This is a special treat for Mother's Day. Free Concert for all ages.

Bethany Library Rocket Academy

May 17 | Sat
10am-11:30am & 2pm-3:30pm
Grades 6-8

Learn the history and theory of rockets while you build and launch your own model rocket. Students may attend the academy with an adult mentor to make it a family experience. The model rocket kit and supplies are provided by the library free-of-charge. You will assemble your rocket at the morning session at Bethany Library and launch it in the afternoon at a location to be announced. Applications will be accepted beginning Monday, April 21 and ending when all places in the academy are filled. Apply at the library information desk or call 789-8363.

Capitol Hill Library

See pages 17, 21 & 27 for more Capitol Hill Library programs/events.

After School at Your Library

May 1 | Thu | 4pm-5pm
Ages 10-16

Get creative at your library after school. You can learn how to make different forms of art from a real artist! Six different sessions will expose you to many varieties of creativity. Thursdays, Apr. 3, 10, 17, 24, and May 1. Come in and see what you can create!

Whiz! Bang! Comic Book Creations!

May 3 | Sat | 2pm-3:30pm
Kids/Teens

Pow! Bam! Ziiiiinnng! Calling all super heroes! It's Free Comic Book Day! Come dressed as your favorite hero, and write your own superhero story. Find out where you can pick up your free comics and leave your secret identity behind in our Super Hero photo booth. Check out our huge collection of graphic novels, super hero books and movies. Don't miss out! It will be over faster than a speeding bullet!

Mother's Day Spa Lab

May 4 | Sun | 2pm-3:30pm
All

Learn about beauty the natural way! Mother's Day Spa Lab puts the girl in science. Make all natural lip balm and bath salts and stock your bathroom cupboard

with all-natural beauty products you make yourself! We have books and recipes for other natural beauty products too, so get your gift ideas for the mom in your life here!

Safari After School Homework & Reading Help

May 5,7,12,14 | Mon & Wed | 4pm-6pm
PreK-8th Grade

Volunteers are standing by to offer one-one-help for math, science, spelling, and reading. Skilled library staff will connect parents to resources in order to further their child's education. So kids, sign up when you come in and get ready to ace your classes this year!

Tell Me a Story: Book and Craft **May 6 | Tue | 10:30am-11:30am** **Ages 6 under, families**

Join us for a fun event tailored to short attention spans. Stories, songs and games are followed by craft time. It's the perfect way to introduce the library to your little one and to network with other parents and caregivers. Storytime is every Tuesday.

Conversational Spanish II **May 5 | Mon | 5:30pm-7pm** **Adults**

This course is designed for individuals who already have a basic understanding of the Spanish language and want to further increase their Spanish speaking skills. This is a three month, 13 session class that will meet on Mondays February 10th-May 5th. Register by contacting the library, or sign up at the information desk.

Trip Around the World: Spain **May 7 | Wed | 6pm-7:30pm** **1st through 5th Grade**

Pack your bags and don't miss this trip! Kids can travel to exciting destinations during this innovative and hands-on program as they travel the globe and learn about different cultures. In this session we travel to the borders of the Bay of Biscane as we visit the exciting country of Spain. Co-sponsor: Junior League of Oklahoma City

Art in the Afternoon para Familias: **Flower Pins for Mom** **May 10 | Sat | 2pm-4pm** **Kids/teen/families**

Enjoy a day of creativity with family and friends at your friendly neighborhood library! We have a different art or craft project each month lead by local artist Debbie Langston. This month we will be making flower pins for mom. Come explore your interests and our collection of books on all types of art.

Tell Me a Story: Play Dough Power! **May 13 | Tue | 10:30am-11:30am** **Ages 6 & under, families**

Want to roll in the dough? Stories, songs and finger play are followed by play dough fun. It's the perfect way to introduce library materials to your little one and to network with other parents and caregivers. Storytime is every Tuesday.

Tell Me a Story: Parachute Play **May 20 | Tue | 10:30am-11:30am** **Ages 6 & under, families**

Parachute play is an excellent way to help children learn how to cooperate with others and follow directions. This story time is a great way to introduce the library to your child and foster a love of learning. Storytime is every Tuesday.

Science Kids **May 20 | Tue | 6:30pm-7:30pm** **1st-6th grade**

Get psyched with science! Children can satisfy curiosity, explore STEM subjects with hands-on experience and increase their scientific literacy. We feature a different topic every month from chemistry to natural science.

Tell Me a Story: Play and Learn **May 27 | Tue | 10:30am-11:30am** **Ages 6 & under, families**

Open play is an excellent way to help children build social skills and learn that the library is a destination for fun! Skilled librarians will introduce little ones to the library and the joys of reading. Storytime is every Tuesday.

Lego Club **May 27 | Tue | 4pm-5pm** **Kids**

Encourage your budding engineer or architect at our monthly LEGO Club. Kids can build relationships with their peers while building with blocks, in a safe, friendly, community environment. Kids learn about space, relationships, proportions and math all while creating with Legos. Working on teams, they will build structures to display in the library until the next month. Each month will have a different theme. Come share your skills!

Backyard Songbirds **May 31 | Sat | 2pm-3pm** **Any age**

Find out which tweets and chirps are in your backyard. If you have a bird feeding station in the backyard of your home, this will be an opportunity for you to learn more about the natural history and life stories of

these feathered jewels with Naturalist Neil Garrison. Connect with other bird lovers in your community and take home some bird guides available for check out anytime! No sign up necessary.

Choctaw Library

See pages 17, 21 & 26 for more Choctaw Library programs/events.

Exhibit: Motley and Motley Art Exhibit in Honor of Mother's Day **All Month**

Choctaw residents, mother Sharon Motley, artist/illustrator and daughter Anne Motley, UCO art major will exhibit various mediums of their artwork in honor of Mother's Day and moms everywhere. Resources on art and art history will be available for checkout.

Parachute Play **May 1 | Thu | 10:30am-11am** **Age 3-5**

While playing games with a parachute, children will have the opportunity to practice skills such as: following directions, socializing with others, using language, using small and large muscles, and remaining in control during active play. Class size is limited to 12 children and their parent or caregiver. Call 390-8418.

Homework Cafe **May 1 | Thu | 3pm-4:30pm** **Teens**

Get ahead in school by taking advantage of our wonderful tutors and a quiet place to work on homework with your peers. Snacks and an array of study tools will be provided.

No-Nonsense Knitting Club **May 3,31 | Sat | 10am-12pm** **Adults**

Join the No-Nonsense Knitting Club with Gail to learn the basics of knitting and complete a project. Bring your knitting needles and nimble fingers to begin a leisure activity with Gail. Persons interested in joining the group should call the library at 390-8418 or drop by the library information desk. Various skeins of yarn will be provided.

Lapsit Storytime **May 6,13,20,27 | Tue | 9:30am-10am** **6 mos to 3 years**

Parents and children come enjoy simple songs, rhymes, and stories together. Then we will have time for play and social skills. Please call 390-8418 or stop by the information desk.

METROPOLITAN LIBRARY PRESENTS:

Thursday Noon Tunes



MAY - JUNE 2014

**Downtown Library Atrium every
Thursday from Noon to 1pm**

MAY 1

Edgar Cruz, classic & original guitar

MAY 8

Joe Baxter, singer/songwriter

MAY 15

Clayton Stroup, vibraphone

MAY 22

Adam and Kizzie, piano and vocals

MAY 29

Callen Clarke, oud and percussion

JUNE 5

Oklahoma Conservatory of Music students

JUNE 12

Evangeline Vournazos, vocal, ukelele, guitar

JUNE 19

Wendi and Lisa, Rockabilly Blues

JUNE 26

Mark Galloway and Steve Crossley, Acoustic duo



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Preschool Storytime

May 6,13,20,27 | Tue | 10:30am-11am
Age 3-5

Build early literacy skills. Join us for stories, songs, fingerplays and just plain fun. Please call 390-8418 or stop by the library for more information.

Lil Lit Reading Club

May 7,14 | Wed | 10am-10:30am
Ages 4 and up

Join the Lil' Lit' Club for weekly reading activities. Children will benefit from reading the selection in advance with their family. Check with the information desk for next title or call 390-8418 for more information.

Crayon Melt Art

May 8 | Thu | 4:30pm-6:30pm
Tweens and Teens

Crayons just got cooler! Learn a few different techniques to create your own unique work of art with melted crayons. (We will be using hair dryers and heat guns.) Call 390-8418 to register.

Open Play Time

May 10 | Sat | 10am-11am
6 months - 5 years

Sharing in playtime with your young child helps promote learning and development. Each second Saturday the Choctaw Library provides a roomful of great toys for children ages 6 months to 5 years. We invite you to join in the fun! Call 390-8418 to register.

Journal Junkies

May 15 | Thu | 6pm-7:30pm
Teens

What do art and writing have in common? Everything when you're combining them to create an awesome art journal! Art journaling is a creative way to express yourself using a variety of mediums. Every month we'll provide the materials, ideas, techniques, and writing prompts to get your creative juices flowing. Call 390-8418 to register.

Comic Book Upcycling

May 22 | Thu | 6pm-7:30pm
Teens

POW! Learn how to upcycle old comic books into wallets, coasters, and other works of art. All supplies will be provided and graphic novels will be available for check out. Please call 390-8418 to register.

Ookami Anime Club

May 24 | Sat | 2:30pm-4pm
Teens

Share and discuss your favorite Anime and Manga (Japanese drawings and animation).

Screen new Anime episodes each month!

Snacks, drawing supplies, and crafts will be provided so come join the fun! **Anime may contain material that is considered unsuitable for ages 13 and younger.*

Lego Club

May 28 | Wed | 4pm-5:30pm
All Ages

Build with the Lego Club at the Choctaw Library. Open to all ages. Legos provided. Join us on the last Wednesday or call for more information at 390-8418.

Del City Library

See page 21 for more Del City Library programs/events.

Homework Help

May 1,5,8,12,15 | Mon & Thu | 4pm-6pm
Grades K-12

Need some extra help with your homework? Volunteers will be standing by to offer one-on-one homework help on a first come, first served basis. Sign up when you come in, and get ready to ace your classes this year!

DC Chess Club

May 2 | Fri | 4pm-5:30pm
All Ages

Want to increase your memory and concentration or practice logical thinking skills? The game of Chess offers these plus many other brainy benefits and, it's just fun! So, make your move and join us on the first Friday of every month for friendly competition. For more information please call 672-1377 or visit us at the library!

Anime Club

May 6 | Tue | 4:30pm-5:30pm
13 and up

Watch and discuss your favorite Anime and Manga.

Hooked on Yarn

May 7, 14, 21, 28 | Wed | 6pm-7pm
Adults

Crochet with friends! Students of all ages and skill levels are welcome. Classes are from 6-7pm every Wednesday. Yarn and crochet hooks will be provided, but participants can bring their own if they have them.

Teen Reads Book Club

May 13 | Tue | 4:30pm-5:30pm
Teens

Read the book first or read it after, just be ready to talk books! This month we are reading *Far Far Away* by Tom McNeal.

Reserve a copy or stop by the Information Desk to pick up a copy of the book.

Board Game Geeks

May 16 | Fri | 4pm-5:30pm
All Ages

Play board games and card games, meet new friends, or learn a new game. You are welcome to bring a favorite game of your own or play one of ours.

Lego Club

May 19 | Mon | 4:30pm-5:30pm
All Ages

Love Legos? Come build with us! Bricks provided. Children under 8 should be accompanied by a parent or guardian. For more information stop by or call us at 672-1377.

Journal Junkies

May 20 | Tue | 4:30pm-5:30pm
16 and up

Write, draw, paint, sketch, stamp, and scribble your thoughts to create unique journal pages. We will provide materials, ideas, techniques, and writing prompts to inspire you to express yourself. Please pre-register.

Movie Matinee

May 21 | Wed | 4pm-6pm
All Ages

Join us at the Library for a movie and popcorn. Call 672-1377 for title and rating.

Make Your Own Mustard and Ketchup

May 29 | Thu | 6pm-7pm
16 and up

Get away from processed foods and learn how to make your own homemade mustard and ketchup. Recipes & supplies included. Please sign up!

Hot Dog Kickoff to Summer

May 30 | Fri | 4pm-5pm
All Ages

Gear up for Summer and join us for a hot dog! Check out all we have to offer all Summer long and pick up a reading list or two.



CHILDREN READING TO DOGS

Children can practice and improve their reading skills by reading aloud to a certified therapy dog. Bring your own book or borrow one of ours.



Belle Isle Library Mondays, 6-7pm

Capitol Hill Library Saturday, May 10, 1-2pm

Choctaw Library Saturday, May 10, 3-4pm

Register at the Information Desk or call 390-8418

Downtown Library Saturday, May 17, 3-4pm

Midwest City Library Tuesday, May 13, 7-7:30pm

Register at the Information Desk or call 732-4828

Nicoma Park Library Thursday, May 1, 4pm-4:45pm

Register at the Information Desk or call 769-9452

Northwest Library Mondays, 6-7pm

Southern Oaks Library Tuesday, May 6, 6:30-7:30p

Saturday, May 17, 10-11am

Register at the Information Desk or call 631-4468

The Village Library Wednesdays, 6-7pm

1st & 3rd Thursdays, 3:30-4:30pm

Warr Acres Library Thursday, May 1, 6:30-7:30pm

Downtown Library

Parking at the Downtown Library is free after 6pm.

See pages 15 & 21 for more Downtown Library programs/events.

Urban Sprouts

May 1 | Thu | 10am-10:30am

Ages 1-5

We are taking the old school storytime and giving it a fresh, new, hip twist for all the urban toddlers and their parents out there. Every first & third Thursday.

Noon Tunes

May 1,8,15,22,29 | Thu | 12pm-1pm

All Ages

Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Musical performances in the atrium for May are:

May 1: Edgar Cruz

May 8: Joe Baxter

May 15: Clayton Stroup

May 22: Adam and Kizzie

May 29: Callen Clarke

Tablets and E-readers 102

May 3 | Sat | 10am-12pm

Adults

Want to learn how to access all the FREE

resources the library has to offer on your tablet or e-reader? Bring your device to this class and we'll show you some of the cool things that are available! Please call 606-3879 to register.

Super Hero Party

May 3 | Sat | 11am-1pm

Ages 3-13

Calling all Super Heroes! It's Free Comic Book Day and we're having a "Super Hero" celebration with activities, crafts and refreshments for those ages 3-13. Wear your favorite super hero costume, or create one at the Super Hero Party! Limited space and materials available. Please call 606-3862 for more information and to register.

Exploring the Senses

May 5 | Mon | 6:30pm-7pm

Ages 3-7

This Montessori inspired series is designed to dazzle the senses! Over the course of five workshops, we will create, explore and examine the five senses with educator Jeniphur King, using a completely hands-on method of learning. Come and see, hear, taste, touch and smell with us! Space is limited. Please call 606-3862 for more information and to register for our first session. Parking is free after 6 pm.

Wednesday Night at the Movie

May 7,14,21,28 | Wed | 6pm-8pm

Ages 13+

Please join the Downtown Library for a movie every Wednesday night. Please call 231-8650 for movie titles.

Urban Sprouts - Wild Card

May 8,15,29 | Thu | 10am-10:30am

Ages 1-5

We could be creating a craft or enjoying a performance. Maybe we will do a song & a dance, or meeting a wacky, wild visitor. You'll have to stop in to find out what this month's Wild Card is going to be! Offered the second and fifth Thursday of each month.

Lawyers In The Library

May 8 | Thu | 5:30pm-7:30pm

Adults

Have legal questions? Come down and talk to lawyers for free legal advice and referrals. Consultations with lawyers will be 15 minutes on a first come, first served basis. Program will be held on the 4th floor in the Friends Event room. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma County Law Library

Job Search Essentials

May 10 | Sat | 10am-12pm

Adults

Searching for your next job? This program

can help! We'll cover job searching, resumes, and interviews. You'll also learn about the job resources available at your library. Please call 606-3879 to register.

Story & Craft Night

May 12 | Mon | 6:30pm-7:30pm
Children

Join us each month for a fun evening of stories and art. Come discover new books and create a variety of crafts related to the night's theme! Designed for kids 5 to 8 but open to all children. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to attend. Call 606-3862 to register.

Marriage & Divorce Legal Resources

May 13 | Tue | 5:30pm-7:30pm
Adults

Get help finding Oklahoma legal resources for marriage and divorce. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma County Law Library

Legal Information for Guardianship of Minors

May 15 | Thu | 5:30pm-7:30pm
Adults

How to obtain and terminate guardianships in Oklahoma County. Attorneys and Judges from Oklahoma County will speak on the topic of guardianship of minors in Oklahoma with a question and answer session the last 20 minutes. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma County Law Library

How to Write Your Personal & Family History

May 17 | Sat | 2pm-3:30pm
All Ages

Now is the perfect time to begin writing your personal and family history. If this seems like an overwhelming task, you may just need some help with planning and getting started. Let us show you how to use timelines, lists, and photographs to jog your memory. We'll give you organizational options, writing tips and encouragement to help you commit to this worthwhile project.

Read the Movie

May 18 | Sun | 2pm-5pm
Adults

On the 3rd Sunday of each month join us for a Book/Movie discussion. Before coming to the program please read the pre-selected book for the month and then join us as we watch the movie together and then discuss the merits of each. Movie/book titles will be decided upon by the group. Refreshments will be provided. For more information and movie/book titles for the month please call: 606-3876.

LEGO Club

May 19 | Mon | 6:30pm-7:30pm
Ages 6-12

Young LEGO builders are invited to join Downtown's monthly club meet-up. This month we are meeting a week early! LEGO bricks and supplies provided. You need only bring your imagination and team spirit! Let us know that you are coming by calling 606-3862 to register. This program is for ages 6-12.

Music Play with Miss Ginger

May 22 | Thu | 10am-10:45am
Ages 1-5

Enjoy songs, musical games and a story with Ginger Waldrip of Ginger's Music. Instruments will be provided for those who have registered by calling 606-3862. Offered the fourth Thursday of each month.

Edmond Library

See pages 21, 25 & 26 for more Edmond Library programs/events.

For more information or to register for a program, please stop by the information desk or call 341-9282.

Manga and Anime Club

May 1 | Thu | 4pm-5pm
Teens

Meet with like-minded teens to discuss, watch, draw, and trade anime and manga. Snacks are provided, and this club is free to join! After the meeting, check out our collection of manga and graphic novels. Some material discussed may be unsuitable for younger teens.

Family Storytime

May 1 | Thu | 6:30pm-7:15pm
Young Children and their Caregivers

Put on your pajamas and grab your favorite stuffed friend. We will enjoy stories, songs, music, rhymes, and an occasional craft, so come join the fun! Class size is limited, so pre-register online at www.metrolibrary.org

Baby Signs Storytime

May 2 | Fri | 10am-10:45am
Birth-2 with Caregivers

Have you ever wished you could communicate better with your baby? You can with Baby Signs! Join Miss Mary and Beebo the Signing Bear for a fun-filled playtime and storytime that will benefit both you and your baby! Pre-registration required.

Computer Tutoring

May 2,9,16,23,30 | Fri | 1pm-4pm
Adults

Need a little extra help understanding computer basics? Don – computer extraordinaire and library volunteer – offers tutoring sessions! Appointments are limited to one per month and will be taken starting the 15th for the following month.

AARP Driver's Safety Program

May 3 | Sat | 9:30am-3am
Ages 16 and older

Learn to be a better driver AND become eligible for a discount on your auto insurance premium by attending the AARP Drivers' Safety Program. The cost is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members, payable in cash or by check to AARP. Pre-registration begins April 7.

Stamp Club

May 3 | Sat | 10am-12pm
Grades 4 and higher

Explore the histories and cultures of other countries through the art of stamp collecting. Join experienced collectors who can guide you in this rewarding hobby. Call 348-4607 to register.

Advanced Farsi

May 4,11,18,25 | Sun | 1:30pm-2:30pm
Adults and Teens

Those who have some familiarity with spoken and written Farsi are welcome to join this class any time. All written materials are provided by the instructor (Cost of \$30/month to the instructor).

Beginning Farsi

May 4,11,18,25 | Sun | 2:30pm-3:30pm
Adults and Teens

Learn to speak and write Farsi! All written materials are provided by the instructor (Cost of \$30/month to the instructor).

Chess Club for Kids

May 5,19 | Mon | 5pm-6pm
Kids/Teens

If you are interested in chess, come play (or learn to play) at chess club! We will meet the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month. All ages and skill levels are welcome. Guidance and materials will be provided.

Chronic Disease Self-Management Program

May 6 | Tue | 10am-12:30pm
Adults

Do you have arthritis, diabetes, heart disease, asthma, depression, obesity, or other debilitating conditions? Learn ways of coping and managing your health. Anyone

living with or caring for someone with chronic health conditions is welcome. Space is limited. Pre-registration begins March 3. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma Healthy Aging Initiative; Areawide Aging Agency

Murder on the Menu: A Cozy Mysteries Book Club

**May 6 | Tue | 12pm-1pm
Adults**

Bring your own brown bag lunch (tea and water provided) and join us on the first Tuesday of the month to discuss this month's cozy mystery, "Gone With the Win" by Mary Daheim.

'Net Knowledge

**May 7 & 8 | Wed & Thur | 1pm-3pm
May 21 & 22 | Wed & Thu | 1pm-3pm
Adults**

The Internet is a huge place, but this class will help you find your way around. Focusing on computer basics and effective use of the web, this four-hour class is split into two consecutive afternoon sessions. Build your skills and confidence levels while increasing your access to online resources. Participants must attend both sessions. Registration begins April 1. This month, there are two opportunities to attend this class.

Readers' Choice Book Club

**May 10 | Sat | 10:30am-12pm
Adults**

If you enjoy reading outstanding books and discussing them, the Reader's Choice Book Club is for you. We'll see you the second Saturday for "Where'd You Go, Bernadette" by Maria Semple.

Edmond Library Book Bunch

**May 10 | Sat | 2pm-3:30pm
Seniors**

The Book Bunch is a group of avid readers who meet monthly to discuss new and interesting books. Join us the second Saturday of May to discuss "Dreams of Joy" by Lisa See.

Yu-Gi-Oh! Tournament

**May 10 | Sat | 3pm-4:30pm
School-aged children**

Calling all Yu-Gi-Oh players! Come get your game on at the Edmond Library! This tournament is for all school-aged children with their own cards.

Young Professionals Book Club

**May 11 | Sun | 3pm-4pm
Adults**

Are you looking for in-depth discussion with like minds? This book club covers thought-provoking reads for the post-graduation

crowd. This month we'll discuss *Hyperbole and a Half: Unfortunate situations, flawed coping mechanisms, mayhem, and other things that happened* by Allie Brosh.

Intro to Email

**May 14 & 15 | Wed & Thur | 1pm-3pm
May 28 & 29 | Wed & Thur | 1pm-3pm
Adults**

Keep in touch with friends and family by learning the art of email! This class will show you how to set up an email account, add contacts and send photos and documents electronically. This four-hour class is split into two consecutive afternoon sessions. Participants must attend both sessions. Registration begins April 1. This month, there are two opportunities to attend this class

Teen Service Team

**May 14,28 | Wed | 4pm-6pm
Teens**

Meet new friends and give back to your community! Join the Teen Service Team and earn volunteer hours. Learn more about how your library works from the inside. Collaborate on decorative, cleaning, and program support projects. Registration and parental permission required; call us or stop by for more information.

Music with Joy

**May 16 | Fri | 9:15am-10am
Birth to 2 years**

Join Miss Joy for a morning of musical activities just for babies, toddlers, and their caregivers. Older siblings are welcome and encouraged to bring a stuffed animal to participate. Pre-register on the 15th of the month online at www.metrolibrary.org.

Music with Joy

**May 16 | Fri |
10:15am-11am & 11:15am-12pm
2 1/2 - 5 years**

Join Miss Joy for a morning of musical activities just for this age. There will be singing, instruments, and rhythmic activities. Pre-register on the 15th of the month online at www.metrolibrary.org

Parent/Teen Watercolor Painting

**May 17 | Sat | 10am-12pm
Parents & Teens**

Learn to paint as a pair! Parents: are you confused by your teenager? Teens, are you tired of mom and dad's desperate pleas for "quality time?" Learn watercolor techniques side-by-side in this introductory course from artist Jim Pourtorkan, and come away with new knowledge and a great shared experience. All supplies are provided, but space is limited. Pre-registration begins May 1.

eMedia Workshops

**May 17 | Sat | 2pm-4:15pm
Adults**

Join our public computer specialist to find out more about using your Kindle or Nook to access books electronically. Kindle users meet at 2:00, and Nook users meet at 3:15. Space is limited, so pre-registration is recommended.

Grilling 101

**May 19 | Mon | 6:30pm-8pm
Adults**

Tis the season to get outside! Grilling is a great way to prepare a meal and keep the heat outside. Come learn about grilling safety, cleaning your grill, and why grilling is a healthy choice. Bring a 6-8 oz. jar with a tight lid to make and take a small batch of Big Patch Barbeque Rub (ingredients provided). We'll share some menu ideas and have a selection of cookbooks for you to check out, too. Registration begins May 1. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Services

History Book Club

**May 20 | Tue | 6:30pm-8pm
Adults**

The May meeting of the Edmond History Book Club will be led by Dr. Katrina Lacher, history professor at the University of Central Oklahoma. Her discussion will focus on the book, "On a Farther Shore: the Life and Legacy of Rachel Carson" by William Souder. Co-Sponsor: UCO

Book Club Kids!

**May 24 | Sat | 10:30am-11:30am
Ages 8-12 years**

Love to read? Discover new books and meet others who share your passion at this book club just for kids! Reserve a copy of this month's selection, "The Boy on the Wooden Box," by Leon Leyson and come prepared to answer trivia questions to win awesome prizes. Pre-registration recommended.

Midwest City Library

See pages 17, 21, 25 & 26 for more Midwest City Library programs/events.

Exhibit: "Fiery Photography: Oklahoma City in Redscale"

All Month

Redscale images are produced through shooting through the "wrong" side of normal color film. This causes the cooler colors to be filtered out. The finished image can range from deep, hellish crimson to subtle, sunny hues of gold. Oklahoma native M. Stevenson will present his work with this erratic medium from May 1 to May 30 in the library lobby gallery.

Exhibit: The Sketches of Russell Terry

All Month

Sketch-artist Russell Terry draws inspiration from the Colorado landscapes of his childhood. Countryside and mountain scenes are presented to entertain and inspire audiences, while also motivating the artist to reach further. A variety of sketch works by Russell Terry will be on display in the Friends Case in the Midwest City lobby from May 3rd to May 31st.

Computer Basics Tutoring

Mondays & Saturdays

Adults
Learn the fundamental skills necessary to operate computers! These one-on-one tutoring sessions cover topics including: mouse, keyboard, internet, e-mail, and Windows. Each session lasts one hour. Call the library at 732-4828 to make an appointment.

Nonfiction Book Club

May 1 | Thu | 10am-11am

Come join us for the Midwest City Nonfiction Book Club where we read and discuss an array of titles of varying subject matter. Please visit the Information Desk or call 732-4828 to receive title information and your copy of this month's selection.

Homework Help

May 1,8,15,22 | Thu | 4pm-6pm

Elementary Aged Students

Need help with your homework? Our volunteer homework helpers are ready to help elementary school students on a first come first serve basis. Get ready to have a great school year!

Watercoloring for Adults

May 3 | Sat | 10am-12pm

Adults

Adults, get in touch with your artistic side in this free watercolor class with all supplies furnished. Watercolor Artist Jim Pourtorkan will show us how to apply color and create a beautiful watercolor painting using some basic techniques. Students will complete a painting suitable for framing and/or gift giving during this 2 hour session. Class size is limited. Pre-registration is required, call 732-4828 to sign up.

Music for Babies

May 5 | Mon | 9:30am-10:15am

Ages 0- 2 1/2 years

Join Miss Joy for a morning of musical activities just for babies. Instruments will be provided. The skills used in this class best match children 0 - 2 1/2 years old.

Music with Miss Joy

May 5 | Mon | 10:30am-11:15am

Ages 2 1/2 - 4 years

Join Miss Joy for a morning of musical activities just for preschoolers. Instruments will be provided. The skills used in this class best match children 2 1/2 - 4 years.

Evening Storytime

May 6 | Tue | 7pm-8pm

Age 3 - older

We will enjoy stories, songs, poems, rhymes and the occasional craft. All children should be accompanied by an adult. No registration required.

eBooks 101

May 6 | Tue | 10am-12pm

Adults

Join Jerod for a step-by-step instructional session on how to check out library eBooks for your eReader, tablet computer or smart phone. Other e-media subscription services offered through MLS will also be highlighted. No registration required.

Teen Advisory Board

May 7 | Wed | 5pm-6pm

Teen

Calling all Teens! Get involved at the Midwest City Library. For more information, call 732-4828.

Storytime

May 10 | Sat | 9:30am-10am

Age 3 - older

Join us for story time! There will be songs, fingerplays, rhymes, and special stories. Come and join the fun! Older siblings are welcome. All children should be accompanied by an adult. No registration required.

Trip Around the World

May 10 | Sat | 2pm-3:30pm

1st through 5th Grade

Kids will have a great time during this innovative and hands-on program as they travel the globe and learn about different cultures. Register at the information desk or call the library. Co-sponsor: Junior League of Oklahoma City

Storytime

May 12 | Mon | 10am-11am

Age 3 - older

Join us for story time! There will be songs, fingerplays, rhymes, and special stories. Come and join the fun! Older siblings are welcome. All children should be accompanied by an adult. No registration required.

Teen Movie Night

May 14 | Wed | 4pm-6pm

Teen

To celebrate Armed Forces Day, we will watch and discuss a movie about the Pearl Harbor attack. For information, call 732-4828.

Creating Comic Books with Scott Delsigne

May 14 | Wed | 6:30pm-8pm

Teen

To celebrate Comic Book Day at the Midwest City Library, teens are invited to create comic books with Scott Delsigne. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 732-4828.

Midwest City Readers' Society Book Club

May 15 | Thu | 10am-11am

Adults

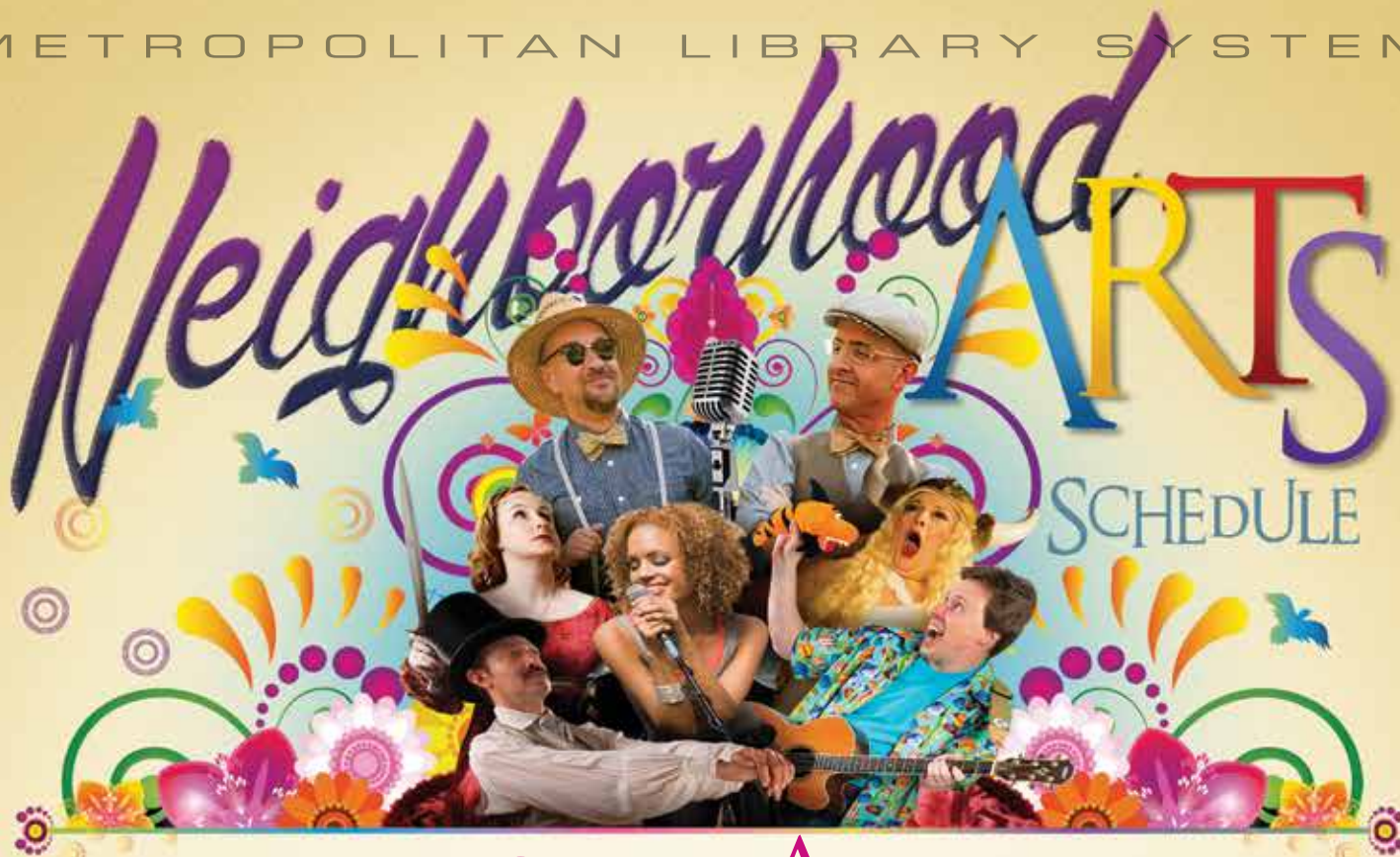
The Readers' Society meets the third Thursday of each month to discuss adult fiction in a variety of genres. The book for May is "Unaccustomed Earth" by Jhumpa Lahiri. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to reserve a copy.

ABC Yoga

May 19 | Mon | 10am-10:45am

Ages 2-4 years

A is for Airplane, B is for Butterfly, and C is for Cobra. Inspired by Teresa Anne Power's delightful picture book, The ABCs of Yoga



SCHEDULE A

June 2-6
Sugar Free All Stars

June 16-20
Rhythmically Speaking

June 30-July 3
Adam & Kizzie Ledbetter

July 14-18
Chasing James

June 9-13
Reduxion Theatre

June 23-27
OKC Improv

July 7-11
Alegria Real

July 21-25
Cimarron Opera

Mondays:

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

Tuesdays:

Bethany Library
(789-8363) 9:30am;
10:30am
Belle Isle Library
(843-9601) 7pm

Wednesdays:

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

Thursdays:

Downtown Library
(231-8650) 10:30am
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 2-6
Reduxion Theatre

June 16-20
OKC Improv

June 30-July 3
Alegria Real

July 14-18
Cimarron Opera

June 9-13
Sugar Free All Stars

June 23-27
Rhythmically Speaking

July 7-11
Monty Harper

July 21-25
Al Bostick

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 St. (except June 3 &
July 1 at the library)*

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:

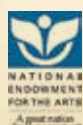
Nicoma Park Library
(769-9452) 10:30am
Almonte Library
(606-3575) 2pm



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for Kids, you won't want to miss this exciting opportunity to exercise both your brain and body!

LEGO Science Club

May 19 | Mon | 4pm-5pm

Ages 5-10

Come have fun building with Legos around a science theme! Legos will be provided. Adults should attend with younger children.

Family Craft night

May 20 | Tue | 7pm-8pm

All Ages

Come to the library for a fun evening of craft activities. We will have tables set up with activities for all ages and skill levels. All children should be accompanied by an adult. No registration required.

May Flowers Crafternoon!

May 29 | Thu | 5:30pm-6:30pm

All Ages

Come to the library for a fun afternoon of crafts! Together we'll make giant May flowers and floral crowns! All children should be accompanied by an adult. No registration required.

Nicoma Park Library

See pages 17 & 21 for more Nicoma Park Library programs/events.

Coffee Shop & More

May 13 | Fri | 9:30am-11pm

Adults

Come to the Nicoma Park Library for a coffee break made just for you. Coffee, tea, and hot chocolate will be served along with light refreshments. Mingle and talk about books or your favorite activities. This is a come-and-go event, or feel free to stay a while and play a game of cards or dominos.

Lady Crafters

May 20 | Tue | 10am-12pm

Adults

Ladies of all ages create crafts suitable for the season on the third Tuesday of the month. Join us for fun! Call 769-9452 for more information.

Preschool Storytime

May 22 | Thu | 9:30am-10:30am

Ages 3-5

Join Miss Lois for storytime! There will be special stories, silly songs, and exciting activities. Come be a part of the fun! Call Vickie at 769-9452 for more information.

Northwest Library

See pages 17, 21, 25 & 27 for more Northwest Library programs/events.

Richter Uzer Duo

May 3 | Sat | 2pm-3pm

Ages 6 to Adult

Two highly skilled artists, classically trained and street-savvy, have pooled their love for music of all genres to satisfy every musical whim while simultaneously leaving an audience to marvel at their individual virtuosic prowess. Co-sponsor: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System

Preschool Play and Read

May 6,8,13,15,20,22,27,29

Tue and Thurs | 10a-10:30a

Tues | 1p-1:30p

Ages 3-5

Come with your little one to the library for some fun and educational activities. Sessions rotate to offer a variety of activities to help develop different early literacy skills. Sign up for May's programs open at 9a on 4/22/14. Call 606-3580 to register.

5/6/14 and 5/8/14 Play With Me: play time followed by a short story time.

5/13/14 and 5/15/14 Story Time: story time with 4-6 books, songs, and rhymes.

5/20/14 and 5/22/14 Wiggles and Giggles: different movement games. This month we offer ABC Yoga!

Busy Babies

May 6,8,13,15,20,22,27,29

Tue and Thurs | 10:45a-11:15a

Tues | 1:45p-2:15p

Ages 0-2

Come with your little one to the library for some fun and educational activities. Sessions rotate to offer a variety of activities to help develop different early literacy skills. Sign up for May's programs open at 9a on 4/22/14. Call 606-3580 to register.

5/6/14 & 5/8/14 Play With Me: play time followed by a short lapsit story time.

5/13/14 & 5/15/14 Lapsit Story Time: story time with 3-5 books, songs, and rhymes.

5/20/14 & 5/22/14 Wiggles and Giggles: different movement games. This month we offer ABC Yoga!

5/27/14 & 5/29/14 Music Play: music games

Sit 'N Fit

May 7,14,21,28 | Wed | 9:30am-10:15am

Adults

Looking for new ways to get more exercise? Whether you are spend a lot of time sitting at a desk or have limited mobility, chair exercises can help you improve strength and

range of motion. All it takes is a chair and a trip to your library to learn how! Come to our classes or check out our collection of books and DVD's to learn how to fit more "fit" into your life.

Chess Club

May 8,22 | Thurs | 5:30p-7:00p

All Ages

Make a smart move and join us for Chess Club! Learn the game for the first time or develop your skills. Chess boards are provided and library materials are available for further learning. Chess club meets every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month, but sets may also be checked out for in-library use at any time by visiting the information desk

Book Club

May 9 | Fri | 1pm-2pm

Adults

Come join us the 2nd Friday of each month to discuss a new book! This month we will read and discuss "Quiet" by Susan Cain. Reserve your copy today!

Meet the Author: Jennifer Pharr Davis

May 10 | Sat | 2pm-3pm

Adults

You are invited to meet Jennifer Pharr Davis, the author of an inspirational story of adventure, hardship, pain, and triumph. Her record-breaking 46-day hike of the Appalachian Train in 2011 is chronicled in her latest book, Called Again. Call or go to the MLS website to reserve a copy of her book today!

Budding Bookworms: Children's Book Club

May 12 | Mon | 4pm-5pm

Ages 9-12

A children's book club is a great way to share your opinions and meet others with similar interests. This month we will read and discuss "Rump: The True Story of Rumpelstiltskin" by Liesel Shurtliff. Reserve your copy today! Call 606-3580 to register.

Tech Talks: Creating Resumes

May 13 | Tue | 5pm-6pm

Adults

Technology is advancing rapidly and it can be difficult to stay up to date. Library staff will be available to discuss how to create a resume. Questions are encouraged. Feel free to bring your own device or laptop computer to follow along and take notes. Sign up by calling 606-3580 today!

Journal Junkies

May 15 | Thu | 4pm-5:30pm

Teens

Want to meet other teens who like writing

and art? We will provide materials, ideas, techniques, and writing prompts to explore your interests by creating unique journal pages on the 3rd Thursday monthly. Call 606-3580 to register.

Tune Tours: Dive Into Music of the Deep
May 23 | Fri | 2pm-3pm
Adults

Come explore music of the watery depths by diving into water themed musical works by Ravel, Handel, Vaughan Williams, Debussy, and Mendelssohn. Discuss pieces with others who share an interest in music and learn how to download your favorites from Freegal!

Ralph Ellison Library

See page 21 for more Ralph Ellison Library programs/events.

R&B Line Dancing
May 5,12,19 | Mon | 6:30pm-7:30pm
Ages 10 - older

Enjoy the many health benefits of dance! Increased coordination and flexibility, stronger bones, and lower blood pressure are only a few. Instructor Kathryn Milton will show you the latest steps in a casual environment. Space is limited so please pre-register at 606-3457.

Mother's Day Tea
May 6 | Tue | 6pm-7:30pm
All Ages

Let's honor the mothers, grandmothers, aunties, and female mentors who have raised and inspired us. Enjoy tea, delicious pastries, music, and card making as we enjoy each other's company and show appreciation for those who came before us. You'll also be able to take home a small token to remember the evening by. Space is limited. To register, visit the Information Desk or call 606-3457.

After School at Your Library
May 7,14 | Wed | 4:30pm-5:30pm
Ages 10-16

Have fun with art! Work on creative projects and learn about different kinds of artistic expression. Supplies and snacks will be provided. Call the information desk to sign up.

The Alphabet Rocks!
May 8 | Thu | 5:30pm-6:30pm
Age 3 - older

We're rockin' the alphabet at the library! You've heard of alphabet blocks. Well, how about making some alphabet rocks? Come celebrate reading and writing as well as the natural world by creating your

very own alphabet rocks. We'll supply the colorful paint and rocks; you'll supply the imagination.

Ntu Art Class
May 10 | Sat | 1:30pm-3pm
Age 5 - older

Ntu (en'-too) was formed in 1979 to promote an understanding and appreciation of African art, traditions, and culture. Join us for a free arts and crafts class. Co-sponsor: Ntu Art Association

#HireMe : How to use social media to get your dream job
May 10 | Sat | 3:30pm-5pm
Teens

Have you been overlooked for a job? Do you understand how to use social media? Are you the best thing since the hashtag? If you have answered yes to most of these questions then come out to Ralph Ellison Library! Know what employers are looking for when trolling your timeline and feed.

Black History Documentary Club
May 17 | Sat | 1pm-3pm
13 - Older

The Black History Documentary Club meets monthly to screen thought-provoking films. May's selection will be "American Violet", from director Tim Disney.

Play Doh Play
May 22 | Thu | 5:30pm-6:30am
Age 3 - Older

Get ready to squish, pull, and roll Play-Doh! Let your creative juices flow with the modeling compound that has entertained and inspired kids of all ages for more than 50 years. Play-Doh is a great way for children to practice fine motor, creative, and problem-solving skills, all important for literacy development. Families will also be able to pick up recipes for making their very own play dough.

Southern Oaks Library

See pages 17, 21, 25, 26 & 27 for more Southern Oaks Library programs/events

Adult Education and Literacy Class
Mondays & Wednesdays
6pm-8pm
Adults

Free Basic Education and Literacy Skills for Adults. Classes are available on Monday and Wednesday evenings 6:00pm-8:00pm. Learn and apply phonics skills to reading, spelling and writing. Please call 631-4468 for more

information or to register for the class. Class does not meet on May 26.

After School at Your Library
May 1 | Thu | 4:30pm-5:30pm
Ages 10-16

Have fun with art! Work on creative projects and learn about different kinds of artistic expression. Supplies and snacks will be provided. Call the information desk to sign up.

Friday Films, Family and Fun
May 2,9,16,23,30 | Fri | 9am-6pm
All Ages

Looking for fun on a Friday night! Come to the library every Friday to check out our movie collection. Enjoy your weekend by spending time with your family and friends watching movies and reading books. Free popcorn & candy for every five items checked out. Fun for the entire family and it's free! Please limit one gift per family.

Richter Uzer Duo
May 2 | Fri | 1pm-2pm
Ages 6 to Adult

Two highly skilled artists, classically trained and street-savvy, have pooled their love for music of all genres to satisfy every musical whim while simultaneously leaving an audience to marvel at their individual virtuosic prowess. Co-Sponsor: Friends of the Metropolitan Library

Preschool Storytime
May 5 | Mon | 10:30am-11:10am
Ages 2-5 (with an adult/ caregiver)

Introduce young children to books and reading at our fun storytimes! Children will have fun with books, songs, and activities as they build their early literacy skills. All children should be accompanied by an adult. Pre-registration is required. Please sign up by calling 631-4468 or by visiting the Information Desk.

Mother Goose on the Loose: Babies and Books
May 7 | Wed | 10:30am-11am
Babies and Toddlers ages 3-36 months

Bring your baby or young child to this fun lapsit program! We will use books, puppets, flannel board pieces, musical instruments, movement and more to build your child's early literacy skills. Have fun while you encourage your child's development! Please sign up at the Information Desk or by calling 631-4468.

Build Your Own Business

May 8 | Thu | 11:30am-1pm

Adults

Explore the option of being your own boss; get answers to essential questions about business plans and structures, taxes, loans, and the process and planning necessary to own your own business. Co-Sponsor: SCORE and Small Business Administration

Smart Driving

May 10 | Sat | 9:30am-3:30pm

Ages 16 and up

Attention All Drivers! If you want to learn how to be a better driver and save money, sign-up for the Smart Driving Class. The State of Oklahoma authorizes a discount lasting 3 years for any licensed driver aged 16 and up who successfully complete a defensive driver's course. The fee for the class is \$15.00 for AARP for members, \$20.00 for non-members, cash or check payable to AARP. Please pre-register by signing up at the Information Desk or by calling 631-4468.

Second Monday Knitting Club

May 12 | Mon | 5:30pm-7pm

Adults

Interested in knitting or learning to knit? If so, join the Second Monday Knitting Club. Bring your current project, or just bring yarn and knitting needles and we can teach you how to get started! The recommended yarn for beginners is "variegated worsted weight" and size 7 or 8 needles. Needles and yarn will be available for participants without supplies. Please sign up at the reference desk or by calling 631-4468.

Rock and Read with the Musical Mom

May 21 | Wed | 10:30am-11:15am

Babies & Tots: 3 months to 36 months

Musical Mom uses melody and rhythm to introduce early language and literacy skills to the youngest listeners. Kids will gain hands on experience of musical instruments while dancing, singing, and exercising their creativity. The program is free for babies, toddlers, preschoolers, and their families. Sign up by calling 631-4468.

Southern Oaks Book Club

May 13 | Tue | 11:30pm-12:30pm

Adults

If you enjoy reading and discussing books come to the Southern Oaks Book Club the second Tuesday of each month. Call 631-4468 to reserve your copy of the current book selection or stop by the reference desk.

The Village Library

See pages 17, 21 & 27 for more of The Village Library programs/events.

Music with Ginger

May 1 | Thu | 10am-10:30am

Ages 2-5 with parent/caregiver

Children 2-5 years old come join Ms. Ginger for an age appropriate class where parents and children will play, sing, dance, giggle, and share together during this 30-40 minute class. Ms. Ginger will guide the class from one activity to the next helping parents understand what their child is learning musically, cognitively, and developmentally. Class size is limited, so please call to register. Sign up will begin on April 10.

Computer Tutoring

Tuesdays & Thursdays | 6:30pm-8:30pm

Adults

Basic computer knowledge, internet, email, Microsoft Office and more. Our Public Computer Specialist is available to help you during one-on-one tutoring sessions. Call the Village Library at 755-0710 to make an appointment for Tuesday or Thursday evenings at 6:30, 7:00, 7:30 or 8:00.

Chess Club

May 2,9,16,23,30 | Fri | 4pm-5:30pm

All Ages

It's your move! Learn how to play chess or test your skills against other players in a friendly environment. All materials are provided and all ages and skill levels are welcome. No sign up is required.

Richter Uzer Duo

May 4 | Sun | 2:30pm-3:30pm

Ages 6 to Adult

Two highly skilled artists, classically trained and street-savvy, have pooled their love for music of all genres to satisfy every musical whim while simultaneously leaving an audience to marvel at their individual virtuosic prowess. Co-sponsor: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System

Family Place: 123 Play with Me

May 6,13,20,27 | Tue | 10am-11am

Infants to Age 4 w/ Parent

Playing with your baby or child is important for bonding and for learning. We are providing a time for you and your child to play. A different community resource professional will be available each week to answer your parenting questions. Register by calling the library or visiting the Information Desk.

Concussions Awareness

May 6 | Tue | 6:30pm-7:30am

Adults

Join Steve Nedbalek from the Oklahoma Department of Health in a free, informative & helpful workshop about concussions. Students and adults alike can suffer these serious head injuries. Learn as much as you can to prevent and watch for signs of concussions.

V-SIFT: Cupcake Wars

May 8 | Thu | 4pm-5pm

Teens

It's cupcake vs cupcake in the Village Library's tastiest competition! Teens come armed with your sweet tooth- the creator of the best cupcake wins a prize! Let your creativity loose and explore library cookbooks and other materials. Please register by calling 755-0710 or stopping by the Information Desk.

Knitty Committee

May 10 | Sat | 10am-12pm

All Ages

Interested in knitting or learning how to knit? Join the Knitty Committee on every 2nd Saturday at 10am. Bring your yarn and join the fun! The recommended yarn for beginners is "variegated worsted weight" and size 7 or 8 needles.

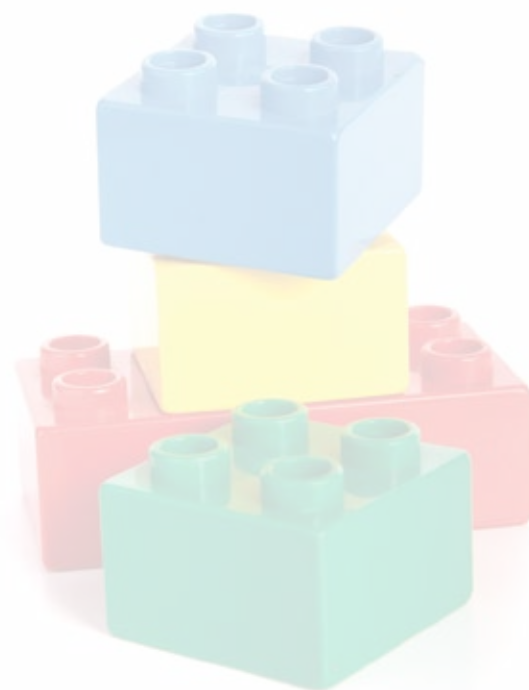
Lego Club

May 12 | Mon | 1pm-3pm

May 24 | Sat | 2pm-4pm

For children accompanied by parent

Come have fun building with Legos! Legos will be provided.



ESL

English as a Second Language classes help improve spoken and written English, and include grammar, conversation, vocabulary, reading, writing, listening, and pronunciation.

Edmond Library

Intermediate ESL

Mondays & Wednesdays | 1-3:30p

May 5,7,12,14

Register by calling 682-7873 or with the instructor the first day you attend.

Co-sponsor: OCCC

Beginning ESL

Mondays & Wednesdays | 6-8:30p

May 5,7,12,14

Register by calling 682-7873 or with the instructor the first day you attend class.

Co-sponsor: OCCC

Midwest City Library

Tuesdays & Thursdays | 6-8:30p

May 1,6,8,13,15

Call 682-7873 to register. Co-sponsor: OCCC

Warr Acres Library

Mondays & Wednesdays | 6-8:30p

May 5,7,12,14,19,21

Call 682-7873 to register. Co-sponsor: OCCC

GED

Want to advance your education? Need to prepare for the GED test? Attend our partner sponsored GED classes. Classes are free and materials are provided, however pre-enrollment is usually required.

Edmond Library

Tuesdays & Thursdays | 6-8:30p

May 1,6,8,13,15

Adults

Register by calling 682-7873. Co-sponsor: OCCC

Midwest City Library

Mondays & Wednesdays | 6-8:30p

May 5,7,12,14

Call 682-7873 to register. Co-sponsor: OCCC

Northwest Library

Tuesdays & Thursdays | 6:30-9p

May 1,6,8,13,15

Adults

Call 682-7873 for more information and to enroll.

Co-sponsor: OCCC

Southern Oaks Library

Mondays & Wednesdays | 1-4p

Adults

For questions and to register, call 631-4468.

No class on May 26.

Metropolitan Library Commission of Oklahoma County Monthly Meeting
May 15 | Thurs | 3:30pm-5:00pm
 Agenda available at
www.metrolibrary.org/mls/commission

Book Discussion Group
May 19 | Mon | 3pm-4pm
Adults

We always have a lot to say at the Village book discussion group. Join us each 3rd Monday at 3pm to discuss our latest pick. This month's title can be picked up or reserved at the Information Desk.

Writing Workshop with Carolyn Leonard
May 21 | Wed | 2pm-4pm
Adults

Need some tips for making your writing more exciting, or are you stuck trying to think of the next thing to say? Exercise your expressiveness with Oklahoma author Carolyn Leonard as she guides you through this afternoon's writing workshop. Space is limited so call 755-0710 to sign up.

Teen Book Club
May 27 | Tue | 4pm-5pm
Teens

Are you a teen who loves to read? Join us each month for snacks and a book discussion. This month, we're reading "Insignia," by S.J. Kincaid. Reserve a copy, pick one up at the Information Desk or call 755-0710 for more information.

Warr Acres Library

See pages 17, 21, 25 & 26 for more Warr Acres Library programs/events.

Music Play in May
May 6, 20 | Tue | 10:30am-11:15am
Ages 2 1/2 to 5 years

JOYful music and movement will delight and develop your preschooler. Bring your preschooler for fun learning with Ms. Joy. Please preregister.

Simple Summer Meals
May 6 | Tue | 6:30pm-7:30pm
Adults

Summer offers an abundance of fresh produce and great flavors, but with busy schedules and lots of activities it can be hard to find the time to sit down to a family meal. Amanda Horn, registered dietitian with Oklahoma County Extension will demonstrate how to use summer produce and ingredients to make tasty meals that are both healthy and quick.

Warr Acres Book Club
May 12 | Mon | 11am-12pm
Adults

The House At the End of Hope Street by Menna van Praag is a first novel. The fantasy revolves around an enchanted house that appears to women who have lost all hope. Some of its previous inhabitants include Mother Theresa, Vivien Leigh and Agatha Christie. Using magic and subtle hints, the house nudges women back on the right path and usually towards greatness. Please join us to discuss this magical novel.

Play Time for Babies and Tots
May 14, 21 | Wed |
9:15am-10am or 10:30-11:15am

6 to 36 months with adult
 Play promotes healthy development and learning, so bring your youngster to our library for 45 minutes of playing and learning together. (Siblings are welcome.) Preregister at 721-2616

LEGO Club @ Your Library
May 17 | Sat | 2:30pm-3:30pm

Young LEGO builders are invited to build with us. LEGO bricks are provided. Bring your team spirit. Everyone will receive a prize. Sign up at the Information Desk

Teen Minute To Win It
May 22 | Thu | 6:30pm-8pm
Ages 12-17

Zany games and challenges add up to fast-paced fun! Please call ahead to register. 721-2616.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Child Developmental Screenings

Questions or concerns you may have about your child's development or behavior will be discussed. Information about upcoming stages and home activities to enhance development will be given. For more information please call Child Guidance, Oklahoma City-County Health Dept. at 425-4412.

Midwest City Library
May 14 | Wed | 1p-5p

Southern Oaks Library
May 28 | Wed | 12:30p-4:30p

Warr Acres Library
May 7 | Wed | 1p-5p

Tai Chi

Evidence suggests that Tai Chi is an effective means of improving balance, strengthening muscles, and building confidence to prevent falls in older adults. Tai Chi is a low-impact dance-like exercise that can be performed almost anywhere.

Choctaw Library
Wednesdays | 6:15p-7:15p
Adults

Edmond Library
Mon & Thur 10a-11a
Adults



THE RICHTER UZUR DUO

On guitar and cello, Brad Richter and Viktor Uzur pool their love of all music genres to create a unique, street-smart concert for all ages. Whether you applaud politely or dance in the aisles, you'll love the Richter Uzur Duo and their "serious musicianship that doesn't take itself too seriously." — *Fanfare Magazine*

Thursday, May 1 at 7pm

Friday, May 2 at 9:30am

Friday, May 2 at 1pm

Saturday, May 3 at 2pm

Sunday, May 4 at 2:30pm

Bethany Library (789-8363)

Capitol Hill Library (634-6308)

Southern Oaks Library (631-4468)

Northwest Library (606-3580)

The Village Library (755-0710)

All performances are free and suitable for all ages.



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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*

		M	T	W	TH	F	S	S
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.

