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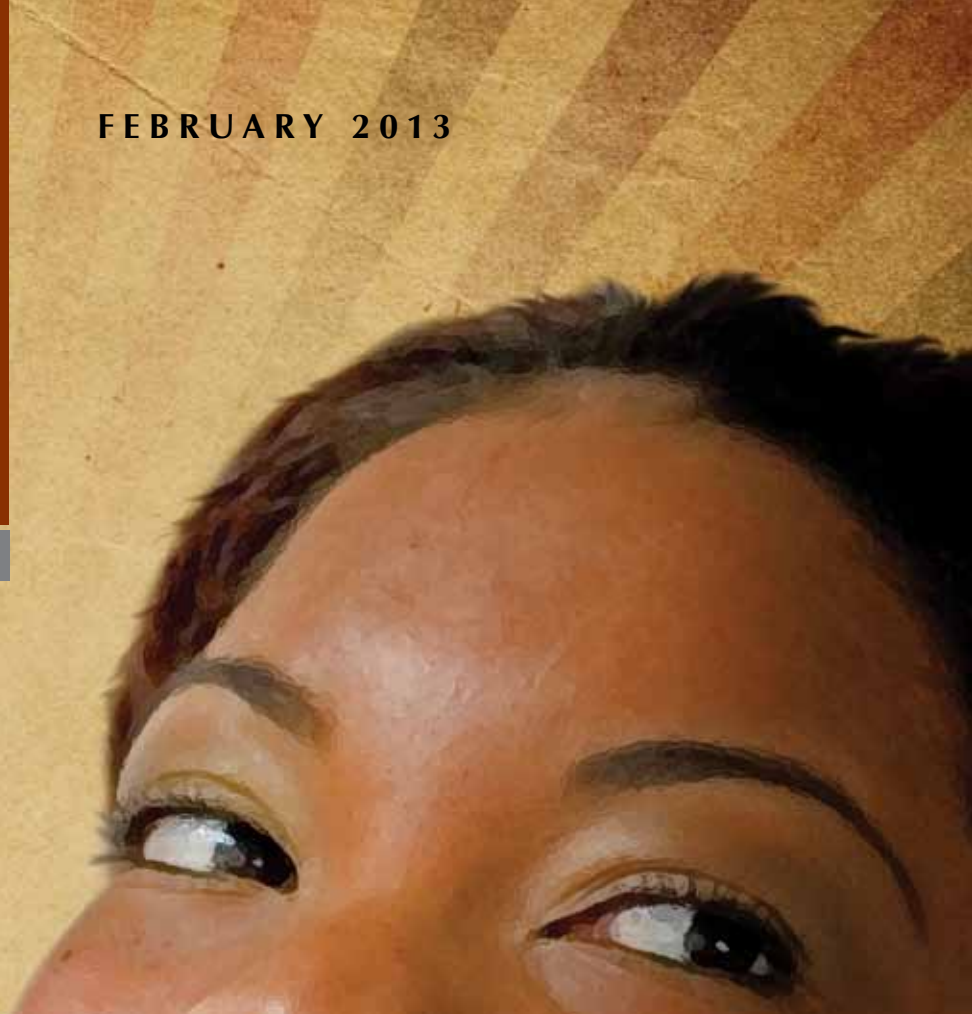
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## New *info*

We're getting into that time of year when people start to think of a common three-letter word as a four-letter word: tax.

For a lot of folks, the only thing worse than having to pay it is trying to figure out just how much they owe. Now, we can't help you with the paying part—we're nice but we're not that nice—but we may be able to give you a hand in preparation. Once again in 2013, MLS has invited volunteers from AARP and IRS' Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program to visit eight of our library sites to assist seniors and low income families and individuals (not more than \$49,000 income) with free tax preparation and e-filing assistance.

Help is provided on a first come, first serve basis and be sure to bring all relevant documents with you - earning and dividend statements, copies of last year's federal and state tax returns, and proof of bank account numbers for direct deposit.

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MLS and Rhythmically Speaking help celebrate Black History Month with the unique blend of blues, jazz and contemporary music of Adam & Kizzie Ledbetter.



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# GET a CLU!

*by Larry Johnson*

Sometimes you just have to do what you have to do in order to pay the bills. For an actor that often means the once-mighty grovel to do television or make less than stellar movies just for a paycheck. Fans of schlock horror films can point to any number of actors who extended their once fabulous careers by appearing in gory slasher films, perhaps most notably 1945's Best Actor Ray Milland (*The Lost Weekend*) who went on to share top-billing in 1972's *The Thing With Two Heads* (Milland did go on to win an Emmy for *Rich Man, Poor Man* in 1976). For Oklahoma's Clu Gulager, though, his affinity for horror films runs much deeper than just paying the bills.



**G**ulager (often heard as GULL-uh-ger but is actually pronounced GYOO-luh-ger) came from a prominent Cherokee family and reportedly shares a grandmother with Will Rogers. He was born in Holdenville in 1928 but most of his early life was spent around Tahlequah and Muskogee. Although his father later became an attorney, he spent part of his youth on the vaudeville circuit and perhaps that (and the success of his well-known cousin) influenced Clu's decision to make a go



*Clu Gulager with Marianna Hill in The Tall Man*

of acting after he left the Marines. Rather than heading for the lights of Los Angeles, Gulager studied the trade in New York, and in Paris he learned from avant-gardists Jean Louis Barrault and Marcel Marceau.

In Hollywood by 1956, Clu was a bit old to become

a heartthrob alongside the various Tabs, Rocks, and Fabians of the era but Burt Reynolds sometimes tells the story about how Clu beat out both Reynolds and Clint Eastwood for a contract with Universal.

Over the next decade Gulager honed his acting skills in TV roles, including a rather heroic Billy the Kid portrayal and as regular character Deputy Ryker on *The Virginian*. What he really wanted to do was direct. His first project was the 1969 short *A Day with the Boys* which was selected as the opening film for Cannes and received a look for the festival's top prize. It's a fascinating but darkly macabre film (I won't spoil it – you can watch it on YouTube).

Unfortunately, he became deeply indebted while making it and spent much of the 1970s and 1980s amassing hundreds of credits as a character actor, mainly in TV, but notably in *The Last Picture Show* and John Wayne's *McQ*.

Gulager would later add several horror movies to his resume, including *Return of the Living Dead*, *Nightmare on Elm Street 2* and his son's *Feast* trilogy and even tried making his own. But don't think that Clu's



*Clu Gulager in McQ*

horror repertoire is an indication of a decline in popularity or skills. He has said that acting is his way of seeking truth and in reference to horror and graphic violence he has said, "Some people think that is not the way to the truth. But violence

won't corrupt us ... We need a laugh. We need to be scared...it lightens the load of this crummy life."

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

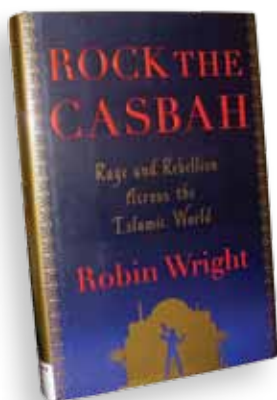
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ON THE SHELF

## Rock the Casbah: Rage and Rebellion Across the Islamic World

by Robin Wright

reviewed by Marilyn Backus



The recent news story of Malala, the 15-year-old Pakistani girl shot by the Taliban, reminded me of last year's largely ignored book, *Rock the Casbah*. Malala gained international recognition for advocating for girls' education, and was targeted by the Taliban for promoting "Western thinking and secularism." *Rock the Casbah* shows that Malala has plenty of company in the Islamic world.

In Iran, young Neda was killed on Midsummers' Eve protesting presidential election results. The nation took up a rallying cry "We are all Neda". Poems, songs, posters, and t-shirts memorialized her sacrifice. Fittingly, "Neda" is Farsi for "voice."

In Tunisia, a street vendor, Bouazizi, after repeated, frustrating efforts at dealing with corrupt government officials, martyred himself in protest. Another Tunisian, El General, was virtually unknown with only a few Facebook friends, until his government arrested him for his original Hip-Hop protest songs. His

supporters demanded not only his release, but also the resignation of the president who had been in power for the last quarter-century. He was gone in a month, the beginning of the Arab Spring.

Scare tactics from al Qaeda and the Taliban have backfired. "For the majority of Muslims today, the central issue is not a clash with other civilizations. It is instead a struggle within the faith itself to rescue Islam's central values from a small but virulent minority." Throughout every country with a significant Muslim population, including the United States, there is a growing movement, "a jihad against The Jihad." The weapons of choice? Books, poetry, songs, plays, films, and even comedy tours.

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ON THE SHELF

## Cooking With Love: Comfort Food That Hugs You

by Carla Hall

reviewed by Linda Hyams



If you are feeling the need for a hug this holiday season, you need to get your hands on a copy of Carla Hall's *Cooking with Love*. Carla Hall is a co-host of ABC's "The Chew" and Bravo's "Top Chef All-Stars." The book contains over 100 tasty recipes with her unique twist on family classics. From her Butternut Squash Grits, Cuban Pork Loin, or Parker House rolls, you will get a sense of her combination of family cooking and new traditions. The food is then

artfully displayed in beautiful full color photographs. Interspersed on the pages are such catering tips as how to prepare ahead a whole bread pudding. This is definitely a new favorite of mine.

*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...*



### Another Dawn

by Kathryn Cushman



Grace Graham made the decision to not vaccinate her son, Dylan, after witnessing her friend's son become autistic after receiving the measles vaccine. She avoids her father, because she blames his smoking habit for causing her mother's fatal lung cancer. Still, when Grace's sister, Jana, who finally has a baby girl after years of miscarriages and fertility treatments, asks her to return home to Tennessee and take care of their father after knee surgery, Grace reluctantly agrees.

Soon after Grace and Dylan have spent time in the hospital waiting room and a Sunday school nursery, Dylan comes down with measles. Jana's baby and the babies in the nursery are too young to have received the

vaccine. Grace begins to see the consequences of her decision and must weigh the wisdom of having tried to protect her son at the expense of many other people's children. This is a story right out of today's headlines. The author does not push a right or wrong answer to the vaccination issue, but she creates a moving illustration of the consequences.

This title is also available in large print.

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reviewed by Phyllis Davidson



### Joseph Anton: A Memoir

by Salman Rushdie



#### **FATWA**

*I inform the proud Muslim people of the world that the author of the "Satanic Verses" book, which is against Islam, the Prophet and the Qur'an, and all those involved in its publication who were aware of its content, are sentenced to death. I ask all the Muslims to execute them wherever they find them.*

I have a vague recollection of hearing about a Fatwa being issued in 1989 by the then leader of the Iranian Republic, the Ayatollah Khomeini, on the life of Salman Rushdie. As a result of this, the Booker prize winner and renowned author of *Midnight's Children* would be known as *Satan Rushdy* by the Muslim World for the next 13 years.

Rushdie, who was living in London at the time, found his life completely transformed as the British Government under Margaret Thatcher insisted that

he be whisked away into hiding under the constant surveillance of four bodyguards for his own and the Nation's protection. He was forced to adopt a new name, Joseph Anton (he selected *Anton* from Chekov and *Joseph* from Conrad) but was called *Jo* by his four bodyguards, a name which he hated.

Rushdie, writing in the third person, writes with frankness and humor about the struggle to regain his independence and above all about his stand for freedom of speech. An entertaining and absorbing book for those interested in finding more about what went on during this period and the role played by America in Rushdie's eventual liberation.

This title is also available as an EPUB eBook, Kindle eBook, a WMA audiobook, and on audiobook cd.

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

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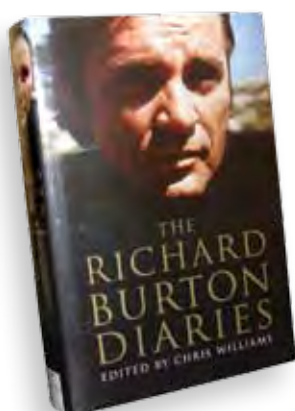
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**BIOGRAPHY**  
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## The Richard Burton Diaries

Edited by Chris Williams

reviewed by Doug Bentin



I'm pleased to know that Richard Burton and I have something in common. Of course, he was one of the finest actors of his generation and I was one of the rankest amateurs of mine, but from reading his diaries I find out that we both preferred rehearsal to performance. Burton considered giving up acting—"it's dementing me"—and what he really wanted to be was a writer, but one with no use for thrillers. "Such books are meant to be read, not written."

Perhaps that makes it odd that we both enjoy one of his sillier films, the WW II thriller *Where Eagles Dare*, about which he wrote that it appears to be "a huge grosser. It's a *Boy's Own Paper* fantasy with a vengeance. I kill half the German Army." Co-star Clint Eastwood kills the other half.

Burton was entertainingly opinionated about films—his own and everyone else's—books, plays, and the people he worked with. I appreciate the fact that although he was well-read, he wasn't a snob and he enjoyed "bad but readable books." At one point he laughs that Elizabeth Taylor took a month to read a Carter Brown mystery "that I could have read in an hour."

What you won't discover from the diaries is that he was a terrible man. Yes, he drank too much (he admits it) and he would probably have been happier with fewer women in his life, but sober he would have been a good guy to know.

*Doug Bentin edits and writes in info magazine.*

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## Gone Girl

by Gillian Flynn

reviewed by Marilyn Backus



Amy is the only child of the authors of the popular *Amazing Amy* children's book series. She is beautiful, rich, and talented, a sophisticated New Yorker. Nick first met Amy at a party, then ran into her again on the streets of New York, and that was it. They had been together ever since. A year ago, Nick moved Amy back with him to his provincial hometown in Missouri to help care for his dying mother and his profane misogynist of a father. It has been an adjustment for Amy.

Amy disappears on their fifth wedding anniversary. Gifts for your fifth anniversary are supposed to be wood. So Amy had wrapped three antique marionettes, Punch and Judy and baby, as her gifts to Nick. But one of the marionette sticks is missing. Could it be the murder weapon?

The police are quick to notice that Nick doesn't seem overly concerned about the missing Amy until he is charged with her murder. He has motive, a mistress. He had plenty of opportunity. His alibi is highly suspicious. The cameras have caught him smiling inappropriately. But the most damning sources of evidence are Amy's diary and the clues she left Nick for his annual anniversary treasure hunt.

Nick and Amy Dunne jostle for our approval in a he-said/she-said who-done-it. Alternating narratives, Amy and Nick tell us only what they want us to hear at first, Amy through her diary, Nick in real time. Then each has some explaining to do. It's a suspenseful and disturbing psychological thriller.

This title is also available as an EPUB eBook, Kindle eBook, a WMA audiobook, and on audiobook cd.



# Almonte Library Is Ready To Serve Oklahoma County

Last October we wrote about a new library that would be joining the MLS family soon and told you to watch out for further developments. Well, the developments have fully developed and the folks in southwest Oklahoma County have a new library to call their own.

During the months that the Southern Oaks Library was undergoing renovations, library services were re-located to the Almonte Shopping Center at 2914 S.W. 59th Street. The temporary Almonte Library closed its doors in September when the newly remodeled Southern Oaks Library opened to the public at 6900 S. Walker—but then something unexpected happened.

“The Almonte location was so popular with people who had never been to Southern Oaks,” said MLS Executive Director Donna Morris, “we asked the City of Oklahoma City if we could keep it open. The City was as excited about the idea as we were, so we contacted the owners of the property and they were eager to get onboard, too.”

During a ten-month period while Almonte was subbing for Southern Oaks, 5,606 library cards were issued at the temp location to people who didn’t already have a card. We realized how underserved the area was.

The new Almonte Library will be a full service location, open 70 hours a week. Floor space has been rearranged so there is a small meeting room. The library has 18 public computers, free wifi, and, at opening, around 15,000 items. “We wanted to open as soon as possible,” Morris added, “so we’re not waiting for the shelves to be full. We began purchasing items for Almonte late last year, but there will probably be three times as many items in near future as there are now.”

Customers using Almonte will have the same access to MLS’ entire collection of 1.2 million books, DVDs, CDs, magazines, etc. as everyone else has. MLS is a 24/7 system. Customers can go online to search for and then reserve any item that can be checked out. When the reserve is placed, the customer tells us to which library the item is to be sent for check out.

LaVetta Dent, who has been the manager of The Village Library, is now the manager of the Almonte Library. Dent brings over 30 years of experience with MLS to the job and is ready to get to work. She said in January that the opening date for Almonte Library was set for Monday, February 4.

“It’ll be a ‘soft opening,’” Dent said.

“We will have a reception on February 19, with refreshments and entertainment.”

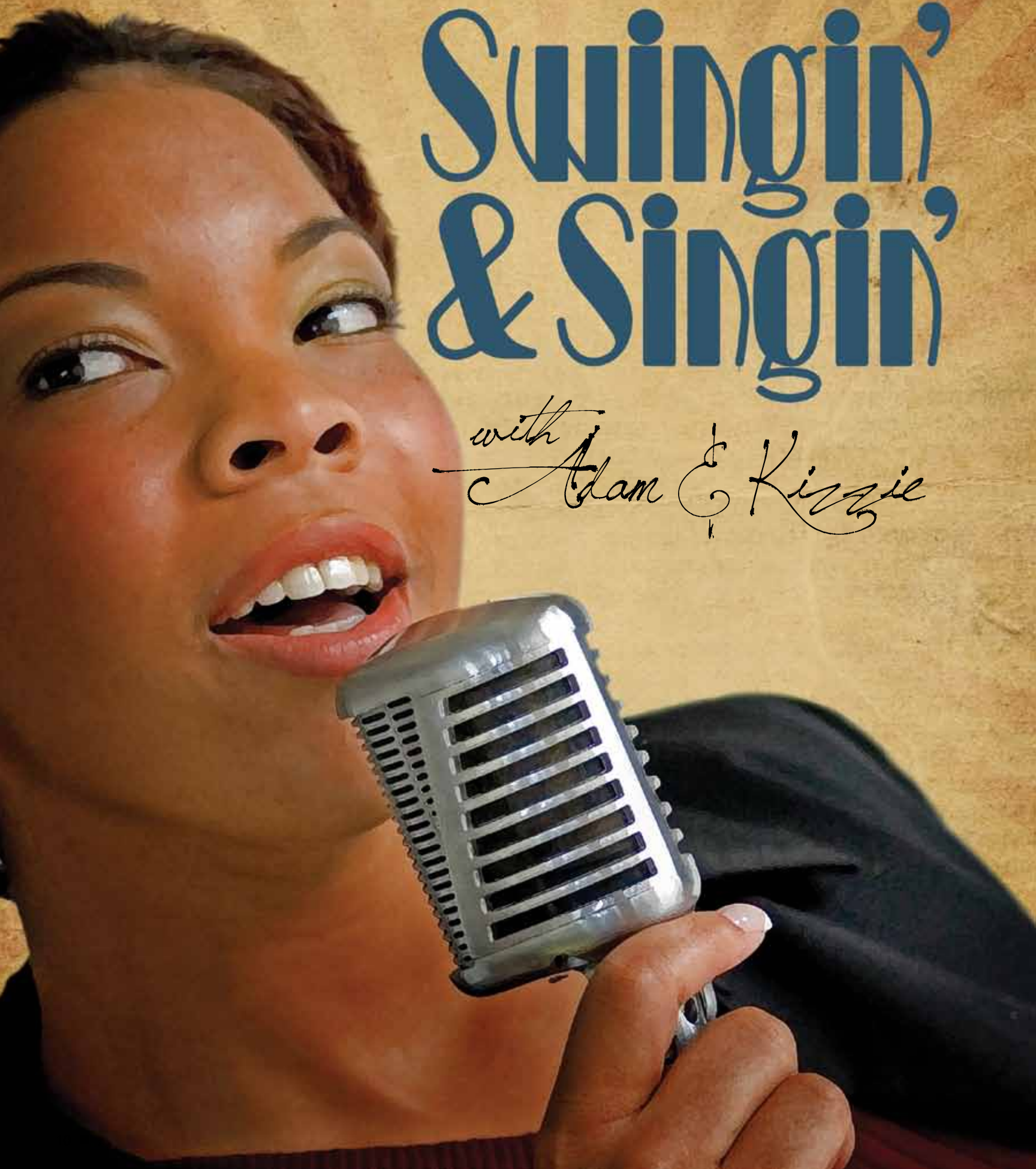
To find out more about the Almonte Library, visit the MLS website at [www.metrolibrary.org](http://www.metrolibrary.org).





# Swingin' & Singin'

*with Adam & Kizzie*





Chicago had the Black Belt along State Street between 31<sup>st</sup> and 55<sup>th</sup>; St. Louis has North City; New York has Harlem and the Apollo Theater. Oklahoma City had Deep Second (now known as Deep Deuce) and the Aldridge Theater at 303-305 N.E. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Habitues had great times there with the music of Cab Calloway, Billie Holiday, Count Basie and Duke Ellington

Local jazz legends played at Slaughter Hall on the third floor of the Slaughter Building (named for owner, W.H. Slaughter). Oklahoma City-born writer Ralph Ellison wrote about listening to Charlie Christian and Jimmy Rushing. Ellison was too young to dance there but he knew the place well—he was a soda jerk in the first floor drug store.

The Glory Days of N.E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street come alive again when MLS presents “Swingin’ and Singin’ in Deep Deuce” in celebration of Black History Month from February 2 through 28.

“One of my favorite traditions,” said MLS Director of Outreach Services Dana Morrow, “is working with DWe Williams and the incredibly talented members of Rhythmically Speaking every February. DWe has written some great plays for us dealing with a variety of aspects of black history in Oklahoma, and this year’s rediscovery of Deep Deuce is no exception.

“But what makes this year’s production even more fun than usual is the addition of the musical talents of Adam and Kizzie Ledbetter. It’s even a kind of coming home party.”

Adam and Kizzie were both born and raised in Oklahoma City, but their individual and combined musical journeys have taken them as far away as India. After a series of international performances they have returned home to share their unique blend of blues, jazz and contemporary music.

Adam’s magic fingers at the keyboard and Kizzie’s melodic voice are unmatched.

“Most of our music was composed when we were performing overseas,” the couple wrote on their website. “Can I Get a Light?,” which is currently available on iTunes,

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*Adam and Kizzie were both born and raised in Oklahoma City, but their individual and combined musical journeys have taken them as far away as India.*

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was the first song written together on a night when we were sitting at a piano just to feed our laden spirits with the therapy music can give.”

Adam has performed for the Metropolitan Library system in the Neighborhood Arts program and as part of the Noon Tunes concert series. The Ledbetters have both performed with Rhythmically Speaking in the past and the group is delighted at this opportunity to have Adam and his wife Kizzie work with them again.

Deep Deuce in Oklahoma City was once the place to be for great jazz. Now the place to be is your MLS neighborhood library.

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

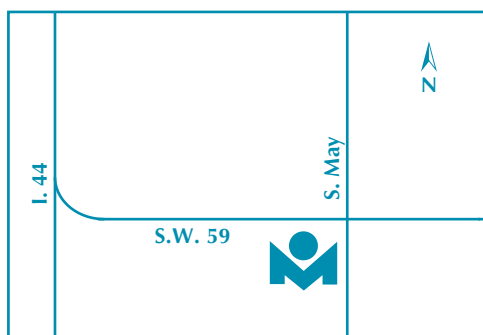
To see the latest information about library programs and events, please click on Calendar of Events on the MLS website: [www.metrolibrary.org](http://www.metrolibrary.org)

### Almonte Library

2914 S.W. 59  
(405) 606-3575

#### HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9 Sat: 9-5  
Fri: 9-6 Sun: 1-6



See page 17 for more Almonte Library programs/events.

#### Toddler Aerobics

**Feb 19 | Tue | 10-10:30a**

#### Pre-kindergarten

Parents and their preschool age children are invited to participate in a low impact activity with movement and music to promote fun and play for preschoolers. Re-Opening Day refreshments will be available as we celebrate the re-opening of the Almonte Library.

#### Re-Opening Day at Almonte

**Feb 19 | Tue | 1-3p**

#### All ages

All are invited to enjoy an evening of live music and refreshments as we celebrate this re-opening of the Almonte Library.

#### Make-and-Take for All Ages

**Feb 19 | Tue | 1-3p**

#### All ages

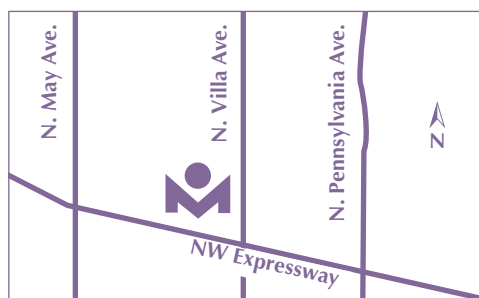
Crafts for all ages will be available to make and take as we celebrate Re-Opening Day and refreshments will be available to celebrate the re-opening of the Almonte Library.

### Belle Isle Library

5501 N. Villa Ave., OKC  
(405) 843-9601

#### HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9 Sat: 9-5  
Fri: 9-6 Sun: 1-6



See pages 17,19,21,29 & 30 for more Belle Isle Library programs/events.

#### Service Core of Retired Executives (SCORE) Counseling

**Feb 2,16 | Sat | 9:30a-12:30p**

#### 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. The Service Core of Retired Executives (SCORE) will offer free confidential assistance for small business owners, one-on-one. Sign up at the Information Desk for an appt. 843-9601. Cosponsor: Service Core of Retired Executives (SCORE).

#### Winter Mardi Gras Concert with the Roger Kimball Duo

**Feb 2 | Sat | 2-3p**

#### All ages

Get out of the winter doldrums, and enjoy some good music with Roger Kimball and a guitar player. They'll play some music to get ready for Mardi Gras. Visit the web site at [rogerkimball.net](http://rogerkimball.net)

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#### Family Place: 1-2-3- Play with Me

**Feb 4 | Mon | 6:30-7:30p**

#### Infants through age 4 w/parent

Playing with your baby or child is not only important for bonding but is also an educational experience for your child. We are providing a special time for you to come to the library and spend one-on-one time playing with your child. A different community resource professional will be available each week to answer your parenting questions. This free series is intended for infants through age four with their parents or guardians. Preregister by calling the library or visiting the Information Desk.

#### Gaming Club

**Feb 5,12,19,26 | Tue | 4-5p**

#### 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!

#### Swingin' and Singin' in Deep Deuce

**Feb 12 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p**

#### All Ages

The 300 block of 2nd Street in Oklahoma City was always alive and well with blues and jazz and good eating. The music of Jimmy Rushing, the food at Ruby's Grill and the dancing at Slaughter Hall made The Deep Deuce the place to be. We welcome the international duo of Adam and Kizzie Ledbetter performing with Rhythmically Speaking in February 2013. Cosponsors: Oklahoma Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.

#### ABC Valentines

**Feb 13 | Wed | 10-10:45a**

#### Pre-kindergarten

Storytime with Ms.B will be focusing on stories in books that emphasize knowing the letters of the alphabet. Playtime will follow with letter recognition activities. Preregister at 843-9601.

For more information on any program please call the hosting library.

**Knitting Guild of OKC**  
**Feb 17 | Sun | 3:30-5:30p**  
**Teens-adults**

Join a group of kindred spirits to knit and chat. All knitters from wantabees to advanced are encouraged to attend. Each month includes an educational technique and you can explore the plethora of knitting books available at your library. For questions email Mschoir01@gmail.com, Melissa.ryan@tinker.af.mil or call 361-2044 or 739-5799.

**Belle Isle Anime/Manga Club**  
**Feb 18 | Mon | 4-5p**  
**Teens**

Every third Monday of the month from 4-5pm. 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.

**Belle Isle Teen Crafts**  
**Feb 21 | Thur | 4-5p**  
**Teens**

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

**Bethany Library**

3510 N. Mueller, Bethany  
 (405) 789-8363

**HOURS**

Mon-Thur: 9-9 Sat: 9-5  
 Fri: 9-6 Sun: 1-6



See pages 17,21 & 30 for more Bethany Library programs/events.

**Swingin' and Singin' in Deep Deuce**  
**Feb 2 | Sat | 2-3p**  
**All Ages**

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**The Children's Hour Evening Story Time**  
**Feb 5 | Tue | 6:30-7p**  
**Ages 3-8**

Share a half-hour of fun with your child! Enjoy stories, songs, nursery rhymes and a traditional flannel board story. Preregister at the library Information Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

**Play & Story Time**  
**Feb 7 | Thur | 9:30-10:15a and 10:30-11:15a**  
**Age 18 mos - 4 yrs**

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. Preregister at the library Information Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

**Silver Strings from Putnam City**  
**Feb 9 | Sat | 2-3p**  
**All ages**

Special pre-Valentine treat, Silver Strings will play and sing love songs for this event. Refreshments will be served after the program. Limited seating is available.

**Valentine Story & Craft Time**  
**Feb 14 | Thur | 10-10:45a**  
**Ages 3-6**

Enjoy Valentine's Day stories, songs, nursery rhymes and a fun craft as well as Valentine refreshments to celebrate the holiday. Preregister at the library Information Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

**Yu-Gi-Oh! Club**  
**Feb 16 | Sat | 10-11:30a**  
**Teens (Ages 12-18)**

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

**President's Day Presentation**  
**Feb 18 | Mon | 6:30-7:30p**  
**Adults**

Joe McFadden and Greg Wells will present a program on U.S. Presidents. Enjoy this educational and fun program. Refreshments will be served after the event.

**Family Place: 1-2-3- Play with Me**  
**Feb 21,28 | Thur | 9:30-10:30a and 10:30-11:30a**  
**Infants through age 4 w/parent**

Playing with your baby or child is not only important for bonding but is also an educational experience for your child. We are providing a special time for you to come to the library and spend one-on-one time playing with your child. A different community resource professional will be available each week to

answer your parenting questions. This free series is intended for infants through age four with their parents or guardians. Preregister by calling the library or visiting the Information Desk.

**Heartland Voices**  
**Feb 23 | Sat | 2-3p**  
**All ages**

This wonderful choir is back to sing Black spirituals and other songs for Black History Month. Refreshments served after the event.

**Capitol Hill Library**

334 SW 26th St., OKC  
 (405) 634-6308

**HOURS**

Mon-Thur: 9-9 Sat: 9-5  
 Fri: 9-6 Sun: 1-6



See pages 17,19,21,23 & 29 for more Capitol Hill Library programs/events.

**Homework and Reading Help**  
**Feb 4-28 | Weekdays-not Fri**  
**3:30-5:30p**  
**Grades K-12**

Volunteers will be standing by to offer one-on-one homework and reading help. Need help with algebra, science, spelling or just need some reading practice? You will find it here! Sign up when you come in, and get ready to ace your classes this year!

**Tell Me a Story: Book and Craft**  
**Feb 5 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a**  
**Ages 6 and younger with adult**

Hearing stories is one of the best ways for babies and young children to develop early language and literacy skills. Our story time is a fast paced, fun event adapted for short attention spans. Stories, songs and games are followed by a fun craft and healthy snack. This story time is the perfect way to introduce the library and all the fun and learning it offers to your little one.

### Kids On the Hill Book Club

**Feb 5,19 | Tue | 4-5:30p**

**Grades 2-5**

Kids are introduced to both fiction and non-fiction books in a variety of subjects, and practice and hone their reading and comprehension skills. Crafts and activities related to the books will be planned, and snacks will be offered as well. Space is limited, so please call 634-6308 to reserve your spot!

### Family Place: 1-2-3- Play with Me

**Feb 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 10:30-11:30a**

**Infants through age 4 w/parent**

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### Swingin' and Singin' in Deep Deuce

**Feb 7 | Thur | 1-2p**

**All Ages**

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### Art in the Afternoon for Families

**Feb 9 | Sat | 2-4p**

**Families**

Join us for a relaxing day of creating art with local artist Debbie Langston. This is a great activity for families! All supplies are provided. For more information please call 634-6308.

### Beyblade Tournament

**Feb 11 | Mon | 5:30-7p**

**Ages 10 and older**

Let it rip! Come battle it out with your friends in a Beyblade battle arena. Prizes, snacks and fun! Please bring your own Beyblades.

### Conversational Spanish II

**Feb 11,18,25 | Mon | 5:30-7p**

**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 class course that will meet on Monday evenings from February 11th-May 6th. Register by calling the library, or sign up at the Information Desk

### Tell Me a Story: Move and Groove

**Feb 12 | Tue | 9:30-10:30a**

**Ages 6 and younger with adult**

Stories, songs and games are followed by a movement and action games, and healthy snack. This story time is the perfect way to introduce the library and all the fun and learning it offers to your little one. Please call 634-6308 for more information.

### Play at the Hill Game Fest

**Feb 13,27 | Wed | 4:30-5:30p**

**Ages 10-17**

Put on your game face and join your friends after school at the library for some video gaming like Smash Brothers, Dance Central, and other fun games. We'll also have board games, Beyblade and you can bring your Yu-Gi-Oh too. See you there!

### Love Stories

**Feb 14 | Thur | 4-5p**

**Kids and Teens**

Increase your love of books and reading and learn more about some epic love stories at the library. Make some art from your heart, and share a sweet treat.

### Read Like a Super Hero Day!

**Feb 17 | Sun | 2-3:30p**

**Ages 7-12**

We will feature books & comics about superheroes. Wear your cape and mask and come read like a super hero! Fun activities will be provided as well. Please, no kryptonite!

### Tell Me a Story: Parachute Play

**Feb 19 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a**

**Ages 6 and younger with adult**

Stories, songs and games are followed by parachute play and healthy snack. Parachute play is an excellent way to help children learn how to cooperate and follow directions. This story time is the perfect way to introduce the library and all the fun and learning it offers to your little one.

### Family Stories: Bilingual Story Time -

**English y Español**

**Feb 19 | Tue | 6-7p**

**Ages 8 and younger with parent**

Kids love to hear a story! Join us for story times featuring nursery rhymes, popular children's books and beloved authors in both English and Spanish. Craft or play activity will be included. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

### Tell Me a Story: Play and Learn

**Feb 26 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a**

**Ages 6 and younger with adult**

Hearing stories is one of the best ways for babies and young children to develop early language and literacy skills. Our story time is a fast paced, fun event adapted for short attention spans. Stories, songs and games are followed by open play and healthy snack. Open play is an excellent way to help children learn social skills, and learn to that the library is a destination for fun! This story time is the perfect way to introduce the library and all the fun and learning it offers to your little one. Please call 634-6308 for more information.

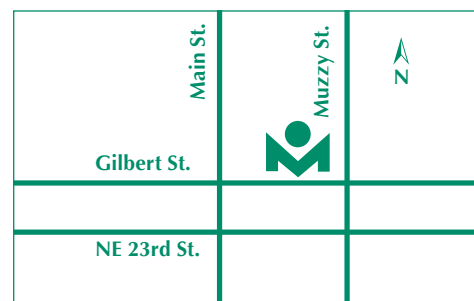
### Choctaw Library

2525 Muzzy St., Choctaw  
(405) 390-8418

#### HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9  
Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5  
Sun: 1-6



See pages 17,21,23 & 30 for more Choctaw Library programs/events.

### Lapsit Storytime

**Feb 5,12,19,26 | Tue | 9:30-10a**

**Ages 6 months-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.

### Preschool Storytime

**Feb 5,12,19,26 | Tue | 10:30-11a**

**Ages 3-5**

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

### Yoga for Your Health

**Feb 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 6:15-7:15p**

**Adults**

The health benefits of yoga include stress reduction, the concentration required during yoga practice tends to focus your attention on the matter at hand, and thereby reducing the emphasis you may be putting on the stress in your life. Sandi Burden of Oklahoma City will

lead these sessions. Classes are free and space is limited. Please preregister at 390-8418 ext 3.

### Parachute Play

**Feb 7 | Thur | 10:30-11a**

**Ages 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.

### Paint Those Things

**Feb 7 | Thur | 4-5:30**

**Ages 10-17**

Tired of those old ugly shoes but they still fit you? Got a few light stains on your favorite t-shirt? Want to make a Valentine's Gift for that special someone? Paint it! Glitter it! Give it some bling! Bring your own items that need new life and we will provide the painting supplies.

### Swingin' and Singin' in Deep Deuce

**Feb 11 | Mon | 6-7p**

**All Ages**

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### Pizza and Plots-Teen Book Club

**Feb 13 | Wed | 4:30-5:30p**

**Teens**

Choctaw Library has a book club just for Teens! Come enjoy pizza, snacks and drinks as we talk about awesome books. Feeling unromantic or cynical this time of year? This month we'll talk about books that shed light on the not-so-glamorous side of love.

### 5th Annual Chocolate Fest!

**Feb 14 | Thur | 6:30-8p**

**Teens**

Join in on some fun and tasty activities in celebration of one of our favorite foods- Chocolate! Test your speed, wit and taste buds while enjoying several types and forms of chocolate. You don't want to miss this!

### AARP: Defensive Driver Safety Course

**Feb 16 | Sat | 9:30a-3:30p**

**Age 16 and older**

Thomas Edwards, AARP State Coordinator for the Driver Safety Program will lead this

session. Participants update skills for safer driving. Certificate of completion provides auto insurance discounts lasting 3 years. AARP members: \$12; all others \$14 cash or check payable to AARP on day of course. Snacks and beverages provided. Cosponsor: AARP & EOC Tech.

### Ookami Anime Club

**Feb 23 | Sat | 2:30-4p**

**Teens**

Share and discuss your favorite Anime and Manga (Japanese drawings and cartoons). Screen new Anime episodes each month! Snacks will be provided so come join the fun!

\*Anime may contain material that is considered unsuitable for ages 13 and younger.

### Steampunk Tea

**Feb 24 | Sun | 2-4p**

**Teens and adults**

Take a time when steam power was cutting edge technology, such as in Victorian England or America in the 19th century. Now apply that technology to the world of the future, as in the novels of Jules Verne or H.G. Wells. That way of seeing things, and the culture that fosters it, is steampunk. Learn all about the steampunk movement at this general meeting.

### Diabetes 101

**Feb 26 | Tue | 6-8p**

**Adults**

Learn to live life to the fullest with diabetes. Carolyn Seibold, RN with the Midwest Regional Medical Center will hold a basic diabetes education course that will give participants a good understanding of the disease including information about management through diet, exercise and the latest medication. Free Glucose monitors for participants. Preregistration required! Cosponsor: Midwest Regional Medical Center and EOC Tech.

### LEGO Club

**Feb 27 | Wed | 4-5:30p**

**All ages**

Build with the Lego Club at the Choctaw Library. Open to all ages. Legos provided. family memberships to museums and more. Readfest is for everyone over the age of 18. Cosponsors are Friends of the Library and The Library Endowment Trust.

## Del City Library

4509 S.E. 15th, Del City  
(405) 672-1377

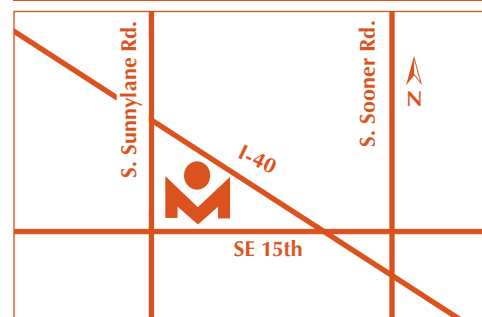
### HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9

Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5

Sun: 1-6



See pages 17,19,21 & 23 for more Del City Library programs/events.

### Storytime

**Feb 1 | Fri | 10:30-11a**

**Ages 3-6**

Please join us for stories, songs, action rhymes, and more. To sign up or for more information visit us at the Del City Library or call 672-1377.

### Homework Help

**Feb 4-28 | Mon & Thur | 4-6p**

**Kindergarten-Grade 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!

### Ayumu Anime Club

**Feb 5 | Tue | 4:30-5:30p**

**Teens**

Share and discuss your favorite Anime and Manga. Screen new anime episodes each month! Snacks will be provided so come join the fun! \*Anime may contain material that is considered unsuitable for ages 13 and younger. Please call 672-1377 for more information or to sign up.



**Hooked on Yarn****Feb 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 6-7p****All ages**

Crazy about crochet or wanting to learn? Students of all ages and skill levels are welcome! Classes are from 6-7pm on Wednesdays. Yarn and crochet hooks will be provided, but participants can bring their own if they have them. Pre-registration is required, as space is limited.

**The Wonderful World of Chocolate****Feb 9 | Sat | 2-3p****Ages 10-16**

Join us in a chocolate extravaganza with crafts, games, and lots of chocolate to taste! If you're smitten with chocolate, you won't want to miss it. Call to sign up or for more information.

**Teen Reads Book Club****Feb 12 | Tue | 4:30-5:30p****Teens**

Hey teens, do you like books and pizza? Of course you do! Read the book first or read it after, just be ready to talk books! This month we are reading *Ready Player One* by Ernest Cline. Reserve a copy or stop by the Information Desk to pick up a copy of the book

**Lego Club****Feb 18 | Mon | 4:30-5:30p****All ages**

Love Legos? Come build with us! On the third Monday of every month we will host the DC Library Lego Club. Bricks provided. Children under 8 should be accompanied by a parent or guardian. For more information visit us at the Del City Library or call us at 672-1377.

**Movie Night****Feb 20 | Wed | 6-8p****All ages**

Please join us for a "Night at the Movies!" The curtain goes up at 6pm and all are welcome to attend! Please call for movie titles and ratings.

**Metropolitan Library Commission of Oklahoma County****Feb 21 | Thur | 3:30-5p**

Del City Library  
4509 S.E. 15th, Del City, OK  
405.672.1377

The public is welcome to attend.

**Swingin' and Singin' in Deep Deuce****Feb 21 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p****All Ages**

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Slaughter Hall made The Deep Deuce the place to be. We welcome the international duo of Adam and Kizzie Ledbetter performing with Rhythmically Speaking in February 2013. Cosponsors: Oklahoma Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.

**Busy Person's Book Club****Feb 28 | Thur | 1-2p****Adults**

Do you like good books and good conversation, but don't have a lot of time on your hands? Come to the Busy Person's Book Club! Each month's selection is under 200 pages long and is sure to grab your attention quick and hold it until the very last page. This month we are reading *Heartburn* by Nora Ephron. Call 672-1377 or stop by the Information Desk to reserve your copy of this month's book selection.



See pages 17,21 & 23 for more Downtown Library programs/events.

**The Smart Girl's Guide to Picking the Perfect Little Black Dress****Feb 2 | Sat | 2-3p****Adults**

Join one of Oklahoma City's most sought after stylist as he takes you on the journey to finding the perfect little black dress. Students will be taught how to discover their signature style, dress for their particular body shape and age, and pick dresses that will effortlessly transition from day to evening. Just in time for Valentine's Day.

**Swingin' and Singin' in Deep Deuce****Feb 3 | Sun | 2:30-3:30p****All Ages**

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the food at Ruby's Grill and the dancing at Slaughter Hall made The Deep Deuce the place to be. We welcome the international duo of Adam and Kizzie Ledbetter performing with Rhythmically Speaking in February 2013. Cosponsors: Oklahoma Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.

**Computer Basics****Feb 5,12, 19,26 | Tue | 6-7:30p****Adults**

Join us for an introductory class that will teach basic navigation and common uses for computers and software such as web browsing, Microsoft Word, Excel and basic computer security. Classes are held in the Route 66 Computer Lab. No registration necessary.

**Tai Chi****Feb 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 5:30-6:30p****Adults**

Come enjoy the relaxing benefits of Tai Chi as you wind down from your busy day. Our instructor will lead the class through the 24-steps of Tai Chi form. Books and DVDs available for further exploration of Tai Chi.

**Wednesday Night at the Movies****Feb 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 6-8:30p****Ages 13 and older**

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

**Public Relations 101: Media Relations****Feb 6,13,20 | Wed | 6-7:30p****Adults**

Learn the art of effective media strategy and planning in this three-week course on public relations. In this course you will learn how to plan, pitch, and evaluate your marketing message and establish your brand in the media. Registration required. Preregister by calling the library at 606-3768 or by visiting the Information Desk.

**Urban Sprouts - Storytime****Feb 7,21 | Thur | 10-10:30a****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.

**Diaper Bag Cinema****Feb 7,21 | Thur | 11a-1p****Ages 1-5**

Looking for a baby friendly venue to go and enjoy a good movie? Well look no further. Bring your baby and join us in our state-of-the-art movie theater in a baby friendly environment that was designed with the stay-at-home mom/dad in mind. Every first

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and third Thursday. No registration required.  
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Feb 7: *Mama Mia*  
Feb 21: *Father of the Bride*

### Noon Tunes

**Feb 7,14,21,28 | Thur | Noon-1p**

#### All ages

Cosponsored by the Friends of the Metropolitan Library System. Performing in February are:

Feb 7: Lisa & Laura

Feb 14: Brahms Clarinet Trio

Feb 21: Sugarfoot

Feb 28: Cleveland Elementary Choir

### Tango for Two

**Feb 9 | Sat | 3:30-4:30p**

#### Adults

Ever wanted to learn the smooth moves of the American Tango? Want no more, as we join forces with one of Oklahoma's best ballroom dance instructors to host a beginner's class in the art of the tango. A perfect addendum to your Valentine's Day date night, Tango for Two promises to excite, inform and entertain.

### Urban Sprouts - Wildcard

**Feb 14 | Thur | 10-10:30a**

#### Ages 1-5

We could be creating a craft or enjoying a performance...Maybe we will doing 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 Thursday of each month.

### Just for Him: Using Your Words

**Feb 17 | Sun | 3-4p**

#### Adults

Hey guys, need help expressing your deepest thoughts and emotions effectively? Come and join our relationship expert as he navigates you through the process of effective interpersonal communication. Offered one day only, don't miss this unique opportunity to transform your life by learning how to properly use your words.

## Edmond Library

10 S. Boulevard, Edmond  
(405) 341-9282

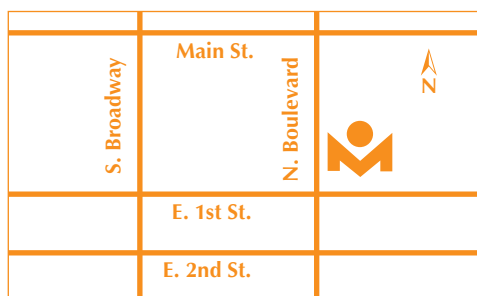
### HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9

Sat: 9-5

Fri: 9-6

Sun: 1-6



See pages 17,19,21,23,29 & 30 for more Edmond Library programs/events.

### Computer Tutoring

**Feb 1-28 | Wed, Thur, Fri | 1-4p**

#### Adult

Whether you are a computer novice or more knowledgeable and want to improve your existing skills, volunteer Don Robinson is available to help you in one-on-one tutoring sessions. Call the library at 341-9282 to make an appointment for Wednesday, Thursday or Friday afternoons at 1:00, 2:00 or 3:00pm.

### AARP Driver's Safety Program

**Feb 2 | Sat | 9:30a-3:30p**

#### Age 16 and older

Attention all drivers! If you want to learn how to be a better driver AND save money, attend the AARP Driver's Safety Program and become eligible for a discount on your auto insurance premium. The cost is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members, payable in cash or by check. Space is limited. Please preregister, beginning January 2nd, at the Information Desk or by calling 341-9282. Cosponsor: AARP.

### Stamp Club

**Feb 2,16 | Sat | 10a-Noon**

#### 4th Grade and higher

Are you looking for a new hobby? Join experienced stamp collectors who can guide you in this rewarding venture. Call 348-4607 to register.

### Advanced Farsi

**Feb 3/10,17,24 | Sun | 1:30-2:30p**

#### Adults and teens

For those who have some familiarity with spoken and written Farsi. Supply charge is \$30 per month, payable to the instructor. All written materials are provided by instructor.

### Beginning Farsi

**Feb 3/10,17,24 | Sun | 2:30-3:30p**

#### Adults and teens

For those who have no prior experience speaking or writing Farsi. Supply charge is \$30 per month, payable to the instructor. All written materials are provided by the instructor.

### Preschool Storytime

**Feb 4,11,18,25 | Mon | 10-10:30a**

#### Ages 3-5

For all children ages 3-5, join us for story time. There will be songs, fingerplays, pup- pets, hidden mysteries, occasional crafts and special stories. Emphasis is placed on early literacy reading skills. Come and join the fun.

### Lapsit Playtime and Storytime

**Feb 5,12,19,26 | Tue | 9-9:45a,**

**10-10:45a and 11-11:45a**

#### Ages birth - 2 yrs old

Playtime is not only a wonderful bonding and socializing time for you and your little one, but it is also an educational time, encouraging sensory and motor skill development; while storytime helps to develop early literacy and language skills. Together, it all just equals fun, so come join us!

### Chess Club for Teens

**Feb 5,19,26 | Tue | 6-7p**

#### Teens

Free Chess Club for Teens meets Tuesday nights 6:00 to 7:00. All skill levels are welcome. Students can play others who are learning or have prior skills in the game. Local mom and coach provides materials and instructions.

### Baby Bounce

**Feb 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 9-9:45a**

#### Birth to 18 months

Playtime is a special time for you and your baby to bond and socialize, but it is educational too, encouraging sensory and motor development. Playtime is followed by a bouncy and fun lapsit storytime just for this age, with rhymes, rhythms, songs and a story designed to develop their emerging literacy and language skills.

### 55+ Coffee Break

**Feb 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 9:30-11a**

#### Seniors

Come to the Edmond 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 your favorite books or activities. We will have some books on the side for you to browse through and check out. This is a come-and-go event.

# TAX HELP

A man in a dark suit and tie stands under a large black umbrella, looking upwards with a concerned expression. The background is a dramatic, stormy sky with dark clouds and a bright light source on the right. Several pieces of paper, including a 1040 tax form, are falling around him. The overall mood is one of seeking help or protection from a difficult situation.

## **Belle Isle Library—E-filing ONLY**

Saturdays: Feb 2,9,16,23: 9a-Noon

Tuesdays: Feb 5,12,19,26: 9a-1p

Wednesdays: Feb 6,13,20,27: 9a-1p

## **Capitol Hill Library—E-filing ONLY**

Fridays: Feb 1,8,15,22: 9a-3p

Mondays: Feb 4,11,18,25: 9a-3p

## **Del City Library—E-filing ONLY**

Saturdays: Feb 2,9,16,23: 9-11a

Mondays: Feb 4,11,18,25: Noon-4p

Thursdays: Feb 7,14,21,28: Noon- 4p

## **Edmond Library—E-filing ONLY**

Wednesdays: Feb 6,13,20,27: 10a-3p

Thursdays: Feb 7,14,21,28: Noon-8p

## **Northwest Library—E-filing ONLY**

Wednesdays: Feb 6,13,20,27: 9a-2p

## **Ralph Ellison—VITA**

Saturdays: Feb 2,9,16,23: 9a-4p

## **The Village Library—E-filing ONLY**

Tuesdays: Feb 5,12,19,26: 10a-3p

Wednesdays: Feb 6,13,20,27: 10a-3p

Saturdays: Feb 2,9,16,23: 10a-3p

## **Warr Acres Library—E-filing ONLY**

Mondays: Feb 4,11,18,25: 9a-2:30p

Fridays: Feb 8,15,22: 9a-2:30p



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### Toddler Time for 2s

**Feb 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 10-10:45a and 11-11:45a**

### 2-Year-olds

Playtime is a special time for you and your toddler to bond and socialize. But it is educational too, encouraging sensory and motor development. This is followed by a storytime just for this age with stories, movement, and rhymes designed to develop literacy and language skills.

### Pajametime

**Feb 7,14,21,25 | Thur | 6:30-7:15p**

### Ages 1-3

Come Shake your sillies out before bedtime! we'll have free play followed by a storytime with music, rhymes, fingerplays and books - all to encourage early literacy and language development. It's bonding, educational, and fun!

### Music With Susan

**Feb 8,22 | Fri | 10-10:30a**

**and 10:40-11:10a**

### Ages 2 and 3

Join with Susan in musical activities designed especially for this age group. Classes are held on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month. Registration for the 2nd Friday begins on the 1st day of the month. Registration for the 4th Friday always begins on the 15th day of the month. Preregister by calling 341-9282, ext. 4.

### Music With Susan

**Feb 8,22 | Fri | 11:15-11:45a**

### Ages 4 and 5

Join with Susan in musical activities designed especially for this age group. Classes are held on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month. Registration for the 2nd Friday begins on the 1st day of the month. Registration for the 4th Friday always begins on the 15th day of the month. Preregister by calling 341-9282, ext. 4.

### Readers' Choice Book Club

**Feb 9 | Sat | 10:30a-Noon**

### Adults

The Reader's Choice Book Club meets the second Saturday of every month at the Edmond Library. The group consists of people who enjoy reading outstanding books and discussing them. The book selection for February is *The Sisters* by Nancy Jense.

### Edmond Library Book Bunch

**Feb 9 | Sat | 2-3:30p**

### Seniors

Edmond's Book Bunch discusses important and memorable fiction. February's book is *Eat, Pray, Love* by Elizabeth Gilbert. Elizabeth Gilbert tells how she made the difficult choice to leave behind all the trappings of modern American success (marriage, house in the country, career) and find, instead, what she truly wanted from life. Contact the library to reserve a copy.

### Yu-Gi-Oh Tournament

**Feb 9 | Sat | 3-4:30p**

### School-age children

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

### Anti-Valentine's Day Party

**Feb 12 | Tue | 4-5p**

### Teens

Teens, are you tired of all the mushy Valentine's sentiments? Come to our Anti-Valentine's Day Party! Decorate broken-heart cookies, nom some sour treats, caption romance novel covers, and bust open a heart piñata. Guests are encouraged to wear black. Please call 341-9282 or e-mail [mhuntwilson@metrolibrary.org](mailto:mhuntwilson@metrolibrary.org) to register.

### In Stitches

**Feb 12| Tue | 6:30-8:30p**

### Adults

Do you enjoy needlework and visiting with others who do? Join us monthly, on the second Tuesday, to work on your own project or learn a new skill. Develop your skills further by exchanging tips with your needlework friends. In February the special group project will be learning to make a pillowcase. All supplies for each month's special group project will be provided, EXCEPT SCISSORS; please bring your own pair. Call Donna Hodges at 348-4120 for more information.

### Edmond Manga and Anime Club

**Feb 14 | Thur | 4-5p**

### Teens

Local teens meet to discuss, watch, and draw anime and manga. This club is free to join, and teens are welcome to bring their own library appropriate manga. Some material may not be suitable for younger teens or children.

### eMedia Workshop

**Feb 16 | Sat | 2p Kindle Users**

**Feb 16 | Sat | 3:15p Nook Users**

### Adults

Does using your Kindle or Nook have you confused and scratching your head? The world of eMedia is waiting for you. Join our computer

guru, Carl Tibbets, 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. Please register by calling the library at 341- 9282 or at the Information Desk.

### Swingin' and Singin' in Deep Deuce

**Feb 19 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p**

### All Ages

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### Button Collaging

**Feb 26 | Tue | 4-5:30p**

### Teens

Inspired by artwork found on Pinterest, we're hosting a button art project! Come wade through our button collection to create a colorful one-of-a-kind button collage of your own. We will be using hot glue guns, so this project is for 13 and older. Please call 341-9282 or e-mail [mhuntwilson@metrolibrary.org](mailto:mhuntwilson@metrolibrary.org) to register.

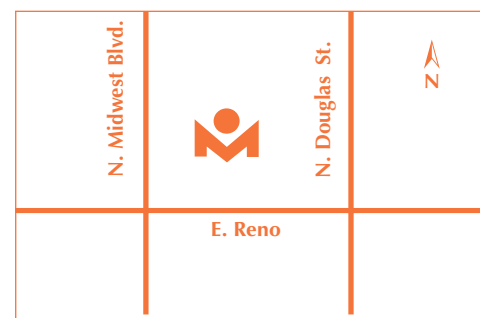
### Midwest City Library

8143 E. Reno, Midwest City  
(405) 732-4828

### HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9  
Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5  
Sun: 1-6



See pages 17,21,23,29 & 30 for more Midwest City Library programs/events.

### Exhibit: Art Quilts by Lola

**Feb 1-28 | Library Hours**

### All ages

To celebrate Black History Month, the Midwest City Library is pleased to welcome celebrated African-American fiber artist Lola



The Metropolitan Library System and Rhythmically Speaking present

# Swingin' & Singin' In DEEP DEUCE

Adam & Kizzie Ledbetter

It's a Black History Month remembrance of Musical Life in Oklahoma City's Deep Deuce community. We welcome the internationally popular Ledbetters, who have come home to share their unique blend of blues, jazz and contemporary music in an explosive celebration of one of Oklahoma's greatest contributions to American culture.

Saturday, Feb. 2 at 2pm  
Sunday, Feb. 3 at 2:30pm  
Tuesday, Feb. 5 at 6:30pm  
Thursday, Feb. 7 at 1pm  
Saturday, Feb. 9 at 2pm  
Monday, Feb. 11 at 6pm  
Tuesday, Feb. 12 at 6:30pm

Bethany  
Downtown  
Midwest City  
Capitol Hill  
Warr Acres  
Choctaw  
Belle Isle

Thursday, Feb. 21 at 6:30pm  
Sunday, Feb. 17 at 2:30pm  
Tuesday, Feb. 19 at 6:30pm  
Sunday, Feb. 24 at 2:30pm  
Tuesday, Feb. 26 at 6:30pm  
Thursday, Feb. 28 at 6:30pm

Del City  
Northwest  
Edmond  
Ralph Ellison  
The Village  
Southern Oaks

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A great nation  
deserves great art.

Jenkins, whose fabulous art quilts will be on display in the Lobby Gallery throughout the month of February. Lola's award-winning quilts feature contemporary portrait and landscape collages, as well as other examples of non-traditional quilting. The exhibit is free and open to the public during all library hours.

#### Display: Hats!

**Feb 1-28 | Library Hours**

#### All ages

In conjunction with the Crowns Tea, to be held on February 24, the MWC library is pleased to host a display of hats, mostly red and purple, made by Linda Simpson, from Lexington, OK. Linda is the Queen Lady of the Red Hat Cowgirls, her local Red Hat Society Chapter. A variety of hats, fascinators, and boas will be on display in the lobby gallery during all library hours.

#### Mad Scientist Lab

**Feb 2 | Sat | 3:30-4:15p**

**Feb 7,14 | Thur | 4:30-5:15p**

#### Ages 6-12

Calling all Mad Scientists! Discover more about the world around you through fun activities and experiments. Space is limited so registration is required. Parents are encouraged to stay and participate. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign-up.

#### Soldier Creek Quilting Group

**Feb 4,11,18,25 | Mon | 9a-2p**

#### All ages

Perpetuate art forms and inspire others in quilting. Members of Soldier Creek Quilting Group invite you to attend every Monday at the Midwest City Library from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. No experience necessary, just a willingness to create art. Registration is not required. Cosponsor: Soldier Creek Quilting Group.

#### Preschool Storytime

**Feb 4,11,18 | Mon | 10-10:30a**

#### Ages 2-5 w/parent

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. Space is limited, so be sure to reserve a spot by calling 732-4828 or visiting the Information Desk.

#### Knit Wit

**Feb 5 | Tue | 10a-Noon**

#### Adults

Learn to knit or crochet or strengthen your craft. Crochet class meets every first Tuesday; knitting class meets every third Tuesday. This class is free. No registration required.

#### Swingin' and Singin' in Deep Deuce

**Feb 5 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p**

#### All Ages

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#### Pajama Story Night

**Feb 5 | Tue | 6:30-7p**

#### Children of all ages

Bedtime stories for children of all ages. Put on your pajamas and grab your favorite stuffed friend. We will enjoy stories, songs, poems, rhymes and the occasional craft. All children should be accompanied by an adult. Registration is required. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.

#### Music for Babies and Toddlers

**Feb 6 | Wed | 10-10:40a**

#### Birth-36 months w/parent

Join Miss Joy for a morning of musical activities just for babies and toddlers. Older siblings are welcome to join and encouraged to bring a doll so they can play along. Instruments will be provided for those who have registered by calling 732-4828 or visiting the Information Desk.

#### Chess Club at the Midwest City Library

**Feb 6 | Wed | 4:30-5:30p**

#### Ages 12 and older

The Midwest City Library offers chess players the opportunity to play every first Wednesday of the month at 4:30 p.m.

#### Early Season Veggies

**Feb 7 | Thur | 1:30-3p**

#### Adults

It is that time of the year to consider planting early season vegetables. This seminar is taught by Ray Ridlen from the OSU/OKC. This class is free and available to all; no registration required. For further information please call 732-4828. Cosponsor: OSU/OKC.

#### Celebrating Black History Month Read-In

**Feb 10 | Sun | 1-3p**

#### All ages

The Midwest City Library will host a Read-In during Black History Month. The purpose of Read-Ins is to create a greater awareness of the importance of reading. Reading about people, places and events in the world expands mental horizons. Like exercise for your muscles, reading keeps your brain active and fit all through

life! Reading can be for entertainment, learning or self-discovery and can be shared with family, friends and strangers. Several local and state officials will read portions of their favorite books. Individuals interested in participating in the Crowns Tea must pick-up their ticket(s) at the Read In. This program is free and open to the public.

#### Non-Fiction Book Club

**Feb 12 | Tue | 7-8p**

#### Adults

Come join us for the Midwest City Nonfiction Readers' Book Club where we read and discuss an array of titles of varying subject matter. This month's selection is *Death in the City of Light: The Serial Killer of Nazi-Occupied Paris*. Please visit the Information Desk to receive your copy.

#### Motor Vehicle Crash Prevention Course

**Feb 16 | Sat | 9a-4p**

#### Adults

All licensed drivers are invited to participate in a certified AAA instructed class. A material fee of \$30.00 applies; AAA members will receive a discount. Please call 1-800-222-2582 to register. Cosponsor: AAA.

#### Readers' Society Book Club

**Feb 19 | Tue | 10-11:30a**

#### Adults

The Readers' Society meets the third Tuesday of each month to discuss adult fiction in a variety of genres. The book for February is *The Dovekeepers* by Alice Hoffman. Call or visit the Information Desk to get a copy of this month's selection. 732-4828.

#### Family Craft Night

**Feb 19 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p**

#### Children of 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. Please sign-up in advance so we will have enough supplies for everyone. Register at the information Desk or by calling 732-4828.

#### Weaving with Donna

**Feb 23 | Sat | 1-4p**

#### Adults

Learn to weave with Donna Hilton at the Midwest City Library. Participants learn the beauty of weaving and will create a wonderful item. Space is limited and registration is required. All supplies provided. To attend, please contact the Information Desk or call 732-4828.

# 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.



<b>Belle Isle Library</b>	Mondays, 6-7pm
<b>Capitol Hill Library</b>	Saturday, Feb 9, 1-2pm
<b>Capitol Hill Library</b>	Tuesday, Feb 12, 6-7pm
<b>Choctaw Library</b>	Saturday, Feb 9, 3-4pm <i>Register at the Information Desk or call 390-8418</i>
<b>Choctaw Library</b>	Wednesday, Feb 20, 4-5pm
<b>Del City Library</b>	Thursday, Feb 14, 28, 6:30-7:30pm <i>Register at the Information Desk or call 672-1377</i>
<b>Downtown Library</b>	Saturday, Feb 16, 3-4pm
<b>Edmond Library</b>	Tuesday, Feb 5, 19, 6:30-7:30pm

<b>Midwest City Library</b>	Tuesdays, Feb 12, 26, 7-7:30pm <i>Register at the Information Desk or call 732-4828</i>
<b>Nicoma Park Library</b>	Thursday, Feb 7, 4-4:45pm <i>Register at the Information Desk or call 769-9452</i>
<b>Northwest Library</b>	Mondays, 6-7pm
<b>Southern Oaks Library</b>	Tuesday, Feb 12, 6:30-7:30pm <i>Register at the Information Desk or call 631-4468</i>
<b>Southern Oaks Library</b>	Saturday, Feb 23, 10-11a
<b>The Village Library</b>	Wednesdays, 6-7pm
<b>The Village Library</b>	Thursdays, 3:30-4:30pm
<b>Warr Acres Library</b>	Thursday, Feb 7, 6:30-7:30pm

**2nd Annual Crowns Tea****Feb 24 | Sun | 2-4p****Adults**

To celebrate the rich tradition of church hats in the African-American community, the Midwest City Library will host our second annual Crowns Tea. Attendees will partake in music, drinks and hors d'oeuvres. Space is limited, tickets are available at the Read-In (February 10, 2013), all attendees must wear a hat (church hat is preferred) and registration is required. For more information, please contact the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

**Toddler Aerobics****Feb 25 | Mon | 10-10:30a****Birth to 5 yrs w/parent**

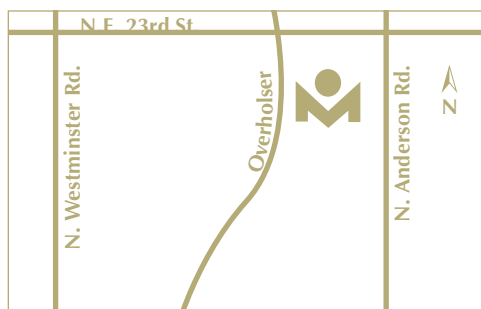
Preschoolers may join in the aerobics class that features lessons & exercises designed to develop fine & gross motor skills. Parents/caregivers will participate with their child. Registration is required and begins one week before the scheduled program. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.

**Nicoma Park Library**

2240 Overholser, Nicoma Park  
(405) 769-9452

**HOURS**

Tue-Thur: 9:30-5:30 M & Sun: Closed  
Fri & Sat: 9-5



See pages 17 & 23 for more Nicoma Park Library programs/events.

**Crochet and Knit Class****Feb 5,7 | Tue & Thur | 10a-Noon****All ages**

Learn to Crochet or Knit or just strengthen your knowledge. We meet every first Tuesday and Thursday of the month. Bring your needles and yarn and join the fun. For more information, please call: 769-9452.

**Lady Crafters****Feb 19 | Tue | 10a-Noon****Adults**

Ladies of all ages create crafts suitable for the

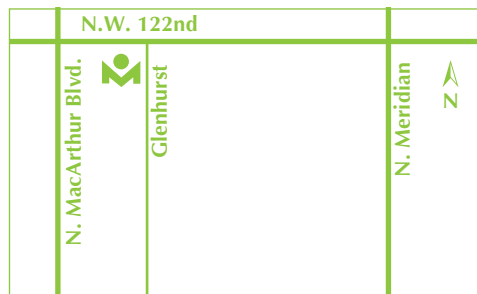
season on the third Tuesday of the month. Join us for fun! Call 769-9452 for more information or to register.

**Northwest Library**

5600 NW 122nd  
(405) 606-3580

**HOURS**

Mon-Thur: 9-9 Sat: 9-5  
Fri: 9-6 Sun: 1-6



See pages 17,19,21,22,23,29 & 30 for more Northwest Library programs/events.

**Spanish and English Story Time/Tiempo de cuentos bilingüe****Feb 2 | Sat | 10-11a****Early Childhood**

Like stories? Like culture? Come to the library with your little one to experience story time in both Spanish and English. Please call to register at 606-3580 as space is limited.

¿Te gusta historias? ¿Cultura? Ven a la biblioteca con tu pequeñito y visite nuestro tiempo de cuentos en inglés y español. Por favor llame 606-3580 para registrar, el espacio es limitado.

**Early Childhood Programs for Ages 3-5****Feb 5,12,19,26 | Tue | 10-10:30a and****1-1:30p****Ages 3-5**

Bring your child to enjoy a different session weekly including Play with Me, Story Time, Wiggles and Giggles, and Music Play. Please call to register at 606-3580 as space is limited. February:

2/5- Play with Me  
2/12- Story Time  
2/19- Wiggles and Giggles  
2/26- Music Play

**Early Childhood Programs for Ages 0-2****Feb 5,12,19,26 | Tue | 10:45-11:15a and****1:45-2:15p****Birth to nearly 3**

Bring your child to enjoy a different session weekly including Play with Me, Story Time, Wiggles and Giggles, and Music Play. Please call to register at 606-3580 as space is limited. February:

2/5- Play with Me  
2/12- Story Time  
2/19- Wiggles and Giggles  
2/26- Music Play

**Family Place: 1-2-3 Play With Me****Feb 5 | Tue | 1:45-2:45p****Infants through age 4 w/parent**

Playing with your baby or child is not only important for bonding but is also an educational experience for your child. We are providing a special time for you to come to the library and spend one-on-one time playing with your child. A different community resource professional will be available each week to answer your parenting questions. This free series is intended for infants through age four with their parents or guardians. Preregister by calling the library or visiting the Information Desk.

**Trip Around the World****Feb 6,20 | Wed | 6-7:30p****Grades 3-6**

Don't miss this exciting opportunity to travel the globe right in your very own local library. This innovative and hands-on experience for children in grades three through six is sponsored by the Junior League of Oklahoma City. Kids will have a great time learning about the different cultures in Asia, Africa and Latin America. The program is free, but space is limited so preregister at the Information Desk or call the library. Cosponsor: Junior League of Oklahoma City.

**Salud Total****Feb 7,14,21,28 | Thur | 9:30-11a****Adultos**

¡Usted puede lucir y sentirse mejor! Aprenda a practicar un estilo de vida más saludable. Las clases se reúnen una hora por semana durante 12 semanas. Salud Total puede ayudar a prevenir enfermedades crónicas como la diabetes, algunos tipos de cáncer, asma, y enfermedades del corazón. Llame a 425-4308- Departamento de Salud del la Ciudad y del Condado de Oklahoma. Cosponsor: OCCHD.

**Chess Club****Feb 7 | Thur | 6-8p****School age children, teens, and adults**

Want to learn how to play chess? Come to the library on the first Thursday of the month to experience this exciting game! Club members and library staff will assist new players in learning the basic moves of the game. Free play is available in the library every Thursday with chess sets available at the Information Desk for in library use.

# February 2013 Thursday Noon Tunes

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

**February 07:** Lisa and Laura, folk duo

**February 14:** Brahms Clarinet Trio

**February 21:** Sugarfoot, country

**February 28:** Cleveland Elementary Choir

**Downtown Library**

300 Park Ave. | OKC, OK | (405) 606-3833

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All performances are free and open to the public.



## Book Club

**Feb 8 | Fri | 1-2p**

### Adults

Come join us the 2nd Friday of each month to discuss a new book! This month we will read and discuss *Hotel at the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* by Jamie Ford. Reserve your copy today! Discussion guides available at the library.

## Budding Bookworms: Children's Book Club

**Feb 11 | Mon | 4-5p**

### Ages 9-12

Like to read? A children's book club is a great way to share your opinions and meet other budding bookworms. Come to the library ready to discuss this month's book selection, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* by Roald Dahl. Reserve your copy today!

## Prince and Princess Party

**Feb 16 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a**

### Ages 4-6

Does your little one like fairy tales and playing make believe? You are invited to come to the library with your little prince or princess! We will have fairy tale stories, activities, and games. Please call to register as space is limited!

## Swingin' and Singin' in Deep Deuce

**Feb 17 | Sun | 2:30-3:30p**

### All Ages

The 300 block of 2nd Street in Oklahoma City was always alive and well with blues and jazz

and good eating. The music of Jimmy Rushing, the food at Ruby's Grill and the dancing at Slaughter Hall made The Deep Deuce the place to be. We welcome the international duo of Adam and Kizzie Ledbetter performing with Rhythmically Speaking in February 2013. Cosponsors: Oklahoma Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.

## Grief Recovery

**Feb 20,27 | Wed | 6-8p**

### Adults

Are you dealing with a loss? Come to the library to learn about the Grief Recovery Method. All participants will receive a free copy of *The Grief Recovery Handbook* by John W. James and Russell Friedman. Group is mediated by a Bereavement Coordinator with Crossroads Hospice. Call Jo Clipson at 644-5813 to register. Cosponsor: Crossroads Hospice.

## Journal Junkies

**Feb 21 | Thur | 4-5p**

### Teens

Do you like writing? Do you like art? Come draw, paint, sketch, stamp, scribble, and write to create unique journal pages. We will provide materials, ideas, techniques, and writing prompts to inspire you to express yourself.

## Ralph Ellison Library

2000 N.E. 23rd, OKC  
(405) 424-1437

### HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9  
Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5  
Sun: 1-6

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Martin Luther King Blvd.		N

See pages 17,19,21,29 & 30 for more Ralph Ellison Library programs/events.

## Art Exhibit: You've Been Framed!

**Feb 1-28 | During Library Hours**

### All ages

We invite you to experience our visual exhibits from local artists. Each month a different artist shares their enriching, thought-provoking creations on our west wall.

**Volunteer Income Tax Assistance****Feb 2,9,16,23 | Sat | 9a-4p****Adults**

Volunteers from the IRS' Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program will be available to assist people in preparing their 2012 State and Federal Income Tax Returns. Cosponsor: OKC Community Action Agency and The Association for the Improvement of Minorities in the Internal Revenue Service.

**Tai Chi****Feb 2,9,16,23 | Sat | 9:30-10:30a****All ages**

Our Tai Chi class is designed for mature adults who want to improve their balance. This 12-week class will also improve energy levels, reduce daily stress, and slow the aging process. Register at 942-8500 ex 154. Cosponsor: Areawide Aging Agency.

**First Monday Gamefest****Feb 4 | Mon | 4-5:30p****Ages 10-18**

Gamfest rocks! So, Ralph Ellison Library has decided to make them happen every month. Join the First Monday Gamefest and get ready to jam out to Guitarhero, dance the night away on our XBOX Kinect, make some sweet touchdowns on Madden 12, and duel on Super Smash Brothers Brawl! No sign up required.

**Handmade Book Creations****Feb 5 | Tue | 5-7p****Age 16 and older**

Valentine's Day is just around the corner so join artist, Carri Dolan as she guides you through making mini books you can use as romantic coupon books, anti-valentine's coupon books, or as a journal. These will make great presents for your valentine or for yourself. Please sign up by calling 424-1437.

**Ida B. Wells: A Passion for Justice****Feb 5 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p****Age 12 and older**

Wells was an African-American journalist who promoted civil rights and women's suffrage. She is best known for her work documenting lynching following the Civil War. Join us for a viewing of this powerful PBS documentary. Refreshments and door prizes will be available. Brenda Perry will facilitate the 30-minute question and answer session.

**Guys' Night****Feb 12 | Tue | 5-6:30p****All ages**

Boys of all ages are invited to bond over video games, board games, and delicious snacks. Invite your brother, dad, grandpa, and great grandpa for a night of guy time! This event is

for boys only! Sign up is required. Call 424-1437 or visit the library to do so.

**African American Voices****Feb 13 | Wed | 6-8p****All ages**

Join Let's Talk Toastmasters to commemorate Black History Month with speeches, skits, stories, poetry and songs. Refreshments and door prizes will be available. Cosponsor: Let's Talk Toastmasters.

**Read, Share, Grow Book Club****Feb 18 | Mon | 6:30-7:30p****Adults**

We frequently have in-depth conversations about the books we read. Sometimes we sit and enjoy each other's company. You're invited. Call 606-3457 to reserve your copy of this month's selection.

**Eastside Chess Club****Feb 21 | Thur | 4-5p****Ages 10 and older**

Enjoy a friendly game of chess? Players of all ages and skill levels are welcome. We meet at 4:00 pm on the third Thursday of each month.

**Read 'Em and Eat****Feb 21 | Thur | 6-7p****Ages 2 and older**

Join us for a special storytime with a yummy twist. After the story, make and enjoy a creative snack that goes along with the selected books, songs, and poems. Bon appétit!

**Multicultural Black History Month Talent Show****Feb 23 | Sat | Noon-4p****Age 19 and older**

The kids and teens had their time to shine in a talent show but now it's the adults turn! This talent show is meant for adults to show off their abilities in a fun and safe environment. Anyone who attends will be empowered and inspired! For more information, contact Michael Washington at 882-6478 or the library at 424-1437. Cosponsor: Empower People, Inc.

**Swingin' and Singin' in Deep Deuce****Feb 24 | Sun | 2:30-3:30p****All Ages**

The 300 block of 2nd Street in Oklahoma City was always alive and well with blues and jazz and good eating. The music of Jimmy Rushing, the food at Ruby's Grill and the dancing at Slaughter Hall made The Deep Deuce the place to be. We welcome the international duo of Adam and Kizzie Ledbetter performing with Rhythmically Speaking in February 2013. Cosponsors: Oklahoma Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.

**S.O.U.P.****Feb 25 | Mon | 6:30-8p****All ages**

S.O.U.P. Society of Urban Poets provides an opportunity for budding poets to share their work with an audience full of supporters. Just show up ready to read.

**Mother Goose on the Loose****Feb 28 | Thur | 6-6:30p****Birth to age 7**

This is a research-based early literacy program for young children. It brings language and literacy to life by incorporating books, puppets, flannel pieces, music and movement.

**Southern Oaks Library**

6900 S. Walker, OKC  
(405) 631-4468

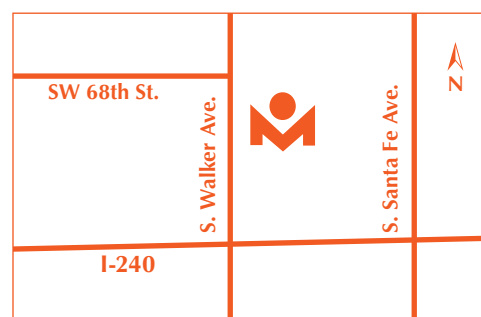
**HOURS**

Mon-Thur: 9-9

Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5

Sun: 1-6



See pages 17,21,23 & 30 for more Southern Oaks Library programs/events.

**Friday-Films, Family and Fun****Feb 1,8,15,22 | Fri | 9-6p****All ages**

Looking for fun on a Friday night! Come to the library every Friday to check out our movie collection. Free popcorn & candy for every five items checked out. Fun for the entire family & it's free! Please limit one gift per family.

**Tai Chi****Feb 1,6,8,13,15,20,22,27 | Wed & Fri****1:30-2:30p****Adults**

Melt away your stress while improving your balance and mobility. Tai Chi for Better Balance is a modified 8 step form of Tai Chi which focuses on weight shifting and low impact movement exercise to improve balance, mobility and reduce daily stress. This is a 12 week progressive series, however, you are welcome to drop in anytime to give it a try. Please call 631-4468 to enroll in the free class.

### Adult Education Classes

**Feb 4,6,11,13,18,20,25,27 | Mon & Wed 6-8p**  
**Adults**

Free Basic Education Skills for Adults! Classes are available on Monday and Wednesday evenings. Join us as we learn and apply phonics skills to reading, spelling and writing. Classes began January 14. Please call 631-4468 to register. Cosponsor: Community Literacy Centers, Inc.

### Toddler/Preschool Activity: Storytime

**Feb 11 | Mon | 10:30-11:10a**

**Age 2-5 w/parent**

Join Ms. Cheryl for a fun storytime! Children will enjoy stories, songs, and fingerplays that help build early literacy skills. All children should be accompanied by an adult. Please sign up at the Information Desk or by calling 631-4468.

### Southern Oaks Book Club

**Feb 12 | Tue | 11:30a-12:30p**

**Adult**

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 book selection or stop by the Information Desk.

### Scarlet Kitsune Anime Club

**Feb 14 | Thur | 6:30-8:30p**

**Ages 14-19**

Watch anime and hang out!

### AARP: Driver Safety Program

**Feb 16 | Sat | 9:30a-3:30p**

**Adults**

Attention ALL drivers! If you want to learn how to be a better driver AND save money attend the AARP Driver's Safety Program and become eligible for a discount on your auto insurance premium. The cost is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members, payable in cash or by check. Space is limited. Please preregister, by calling the Southern Oaks library at 631-4468. Cosponsor: AARP.

### Book Adventure: Kids' Book Club

**Feb 19 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p**

**Kids age 6-9**

Join us for a Book Adventure! Meet with kids your age to discuss a great book. We will have a snack, and make a craft or play a game. Call the library or come by the Information Desk to find out what book to read before the program. Some copies of the book will be available at the Information Desk. You must read the book before attending the program. Pre-registration is required. Sign up by calling 631-4468 or by visiting the Information Desk.

### Toddler/Preschool Activity: Tippi Toes Dance

**Feb 25 | Mon | 10:30-11a**

**Ages 2-5 w/parent**

Join us for a fun program focusing on movement and dance. Presented by Tippi Toes Dance Company who provide children with a fun, positive environment so they are able to experience the joys of dance, self-expression and movement. This is specifically designed to develop motor skills and body awareness while enhancing each child's self-esteem. Join us for 30 minutes of fun: songs, movement, and more. Class size is limited. Sign up at the Information Desk or call 631-4468.

### Swingin' and Singin' in Deep Deuce

**Feb 28 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p**

**All Ages**

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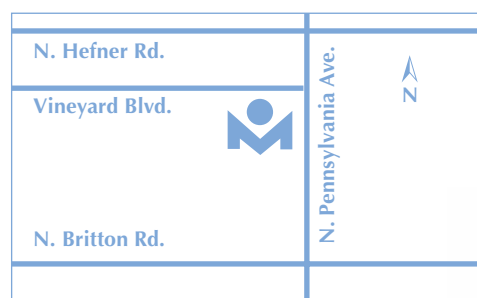
## The Village Library

10307 N. Pennsylvania Ave., The Village  
(405) 755-0710

### HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9  
Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5  
Sun: 1-6



See pages 17,19,21,23 & 30 for more of The Village Library programs/events.

### Chess Club

**Feb 1,15,22 | Fri | 4-5:30p**

**All ages**

Chess club meetings consist of playing chess, and all materials are provided. All ages and skill levels are welcome! No sign up is required.

### LEGO Club

**Feb 4 | Mon | 1-3p**

**For children and their parents**

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

### Music With Susan

**Feb 7,14,21,28 | Thur | 10-10:30a**

**Ages 2-5 with parent/caregiver**

Join Susan for musical fun and activities! Preregistration is required, and sign up will begin on January 7. Please call 755-0710 or stop by the Information Desk.

### Family Game Night

**Feb 7 | Thur | 6:30-8:30p**

**All ages**

Bring your whole family (all ages) to the library to play all kinds of games! Light refreshments and games will be provided. Please preregister at 755-0710 or visit the Information Desk.

### Valentine Make and Take

**Feb 9 | Sat | 10-11a**

**Ages 5-11**

Come make Valentine cards and crafts! Please register by calling 755-0710 or stopping by the Information Desk.

### V-SIFT : Anti-Valentine's Party

**Feb 14 | Thur | 4-5p**

**Teens**

Love stinks! Come un-celebrate Valentine's Day with moody crafts, games, music and more! Snacks will be provided. Please register by calling 755-0710 or stopping by the Information Desk.

### Knitty Committee

**Feb 16 | Sat | 10a-Noon**

**All ages**

Interested in knitting or learning how to knit? The Knitty Committee will meet on the 3rd Saturday at 10am in February. Bring your yarn and join the fun! The recommended yarn for beginners is "variegated worsted weight" and size 7 or 8 needles.



### Book Discussion Group

**Feb 18 | Mon | 3-4p**

#### 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 at the Information Desk.

### Introduction to Excel 2007/2010

**Feb 21 | Thur | 6:30-8p**

#### Adults

Learn how to access the Internet from the library computers. Take a look at the home pages of internet servers such as AOL, MSN, Cox and others. Learn to use Search engines such as Google and Yahoo. Learn how to access the Metrolibrary Home Page from home, school or work to use Library Services via the Internet. Come in or call to sign-up. Village Library 755-0710.

### Swingin' and Singin' in Deep Deuce

**Feb 26 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p**

#### All Ages

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### Maisey the Courageous Dog!

**Feb 28 | Thur | 7-8p**

#### All ages

You will be inspired as you hear the amazing story of Maisey, a beautiful golden retriever, who lost her eye sight yet conquers the challenges of hunting and living in darkness.

### Warr Acres Library

5901 N.W. 63rd, Warr Acres  
(405) 721-2616

#### HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9

Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5

Sun: 1-6



See pages 17,19,21,23,29 & 30 for more Warr Acres Library programs/events.

### LEGO Club @ Your Library

**Feb 2 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a**

#### Ages 6-11

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

### Make & Take Valentine's Day Cards and Crafts

**Feb 2 | Sat | 2-4p**

#### Adults

Join us to make a Valentine gift or card for someone special. Use our examples or create your own with the supplies provided. You can come and go or stay for the whole time. Light refreshments will be provided.

### Family Place: 1-2-3 Play With Me

**Feb 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 10:30-11:30a**

#### Infants through age 4 w/parent

Playing with your baby or child is not only important for bonding but is also an educational experience for your child. We are providing a special time for you to come to the library and spend one-on-one time playing with your child. A different community resource professional will be available each week to answer your parenting questions. This free series is intended for infants through age four with their parents or guardians. Preregister by calling the library or visiting the Information Desk.

### Swingin' and Singin' in Deep Deuce

**Feb 9 | Sat | 2-3p**

#### All Ages

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Slaughter Hall made The Deep Deuce the place to be. We welcome the international duo of Adam and Kizzie Ledbetter performing with Rhythmically Speaking in February 2013. Cosponsors: Oklahoma Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.

### Story Time for Preschoolers

**Feb 12,26 | Tue | 10-10:30a**

#### Ages 2 and 3 with adult

Preschoolers will enjoy story time with Miss Alma and her puppets followed by fun crafts to take home. Older and younger siblings are welcome. Please preregister.

### Story Time for Preschoolers

**Feb 12,26 | Tue | 10:45-11:30a**

#### Ages 4 and 5 years with adult

Preschoolers will enjoy story time with Miss Alma and her puppets followed by fun crafts to take home. Older and younger siblings are welcome. Please preregister.

### Playtime for Babies and Tots

**Feb 13,20,27 | Wed | 9:15-10a**

#### Ages 8-30 months w/adult

Play promotes healthy development and learning, so bring your youngster to our library for 45 minutes of toys, lap games with Miss Alma and her puppets. (Siblings are welcome.) Preregister at 721-2616.

### Chocolate Extravaganza

**Feb 14 | Thur | 6:30-8p**

#### Ages 12-17

Celebrate Chocolate Lover's Month. Make luscious treats for you or your sweetie! Enjoy chocolate fondue and games. Please call ahead at 721-2616.

### Pajama Story Time

**Feb 19 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p**

#### Ages 2 1/2 to 5 years with adult

Bring your preschooler and enjoy bedtime stories with Miss Alma and her puppets. Snacks and fun activities will be provided for everyone. Please call to preregister and let us know of your child's eating limitations.

### Watercolor Painting

**Feb 23 | Sat | 2-3:30p**

#### Ages 12-17

Local artist Bharathi Srinivasan will help students express their creative talents. Please call ahead so we can order supplies 721-2616.



# ESL

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

## **Belle Isle Library**

**Tuesdays & Thursdays | 9:30a-12:30p**

**Feb 5,7,12,14,18,21,26,28**

**Teens and older**

For questions and to register, come to the class.

Cosponsor: OKC Public Schools

## **Edmond Library**

**Intermediate ESL**

**Mondays & Wednesdays | 1:30-4:30p**

**Feb 4,6,11,13,18,20,25,27**

**Adults**

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

**Beginning ESL**

**Mondays & Wednesdays | 5:30-8:30p**

**Feb 4,6,11,13,18,20,25,27**

**Adults**

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

## **Warr Acres Library**

**Mondays & Wednesdays | 6-8:30p**

**Feb 4,6,11,13,18,20,25,27**

**Adults**

Call 686-6222 to register. Cosponsor: 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.

## **Capitol Hill Library**

**Feb 4,6,11,13,18,20,25,27 | Mon & Wed | 1-4p**

**Age 16 and older**

Enroll on any day classes are in session. For more info please call 231-2053. Cosponsor: OKCPS Adult Education.

## **Edmond Library**

**Feb 5,7,12,14,18,21,26,28 | Tue & Thur**

**5:30-8:30p**

**Adults**

Register by calling 682-7873. Cosponsor: OCCC

## **Midwest City Library**

**Feb 4,6,11,13,18,20,25,27 | Mon & Wed |**

**6-8:30p**

**Adults**

Register by calling 682-7873. Cosponsor: OCCC

## **Northwest Library**

**Feb 5,7,12,14,18,21,26,28 | Tue & Thur**

**6:15-8:45p**

**Adults**

Call (405) 682-7873 for more information and to enroll. Cosponsor: OCCC Adult Learning Center

## **Ralph Ellison Library**

**Feb 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 5:30-8:30p**

**Ages 16-adult**

Cosponsor: OKC Adult Learning Center

# HEALTH & WELLNESS



## Child Developmental Screenings

These OCCHD screenings compare how one child is developing when compared to other children the same age. Questions about your child's development or behavior can be discussed. Small fee required. For more information please call Child Guidance, Oklahoma City-County Health Dept. at 425-4412.

**Belle Isle Library**  
Developmental Screenings  
Feb 6 | Wed | Noon-4:30p  
Ages birth to 5 years w/guardian

**Bethany Library**  
Developmental Screenings  
Feb 1 | Fri | 9a-Noon  
Ages birth to 5 years w/guardian

**Choctaw Library**  
Developmental Screenings  
Feb 21 | Thur | Noon-4o  
Parent w/child

**Edmond Library**  
Child Development Screenings  
Feb 20 | Wed | 1-5p  
Birth to 5 years w/parent

**Northwest Library**  
Child Development Screenings  
Feb 28 | Thur | 9a-Noon  
Birth to 5 years w/parent

**Southern Oaks Library**  
Child Guidance Screenings  
Feb 27 | Wed | 12:30-4:30p  
Birth to age 5 w/parent

**The Village Library**  
Developmental Screenings  
Feb 13 | Wed | 1-5p  
Birth-5 years w/parent

**Warr Acres Library**  
Child Guidance Screenings  
Feb 27 | Wed | 1-5p  
Birth to age 5 w/parent

## Tai Chi - OCCHD

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. Cosponsored by OCCHD.

**Edmond Library**  
Tai Chi  
Feb 4,7,11,14,16,21,25,28 | Mon & Thur  
2-3p  
Adults

## Wellness

**Midwest City Library**  
Total Wellness  
Feb 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 9:30-10:30a  
All ages

Help prevent chronic diseases like diabetes, heart disease, some cancers, and asthma. Learn simple ways to a healthier lifestyle. Free classes meet one hour a week for 10 weeks. The goal of the class is for everyone to lose 5% of their body weight and become more active. Call 425-4352 to register for the classes. Class size is limited. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City/County Health Department.

**Northwest Library**  
Total Wellness  
Feb 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 2:30-4p  
All ages

Want to lose weight or improve your energy level? Come to the library to experience Total Wellness Classes with the Oklahoma City County Health Department. Classes will focus on nutrition, exercise, and chronic disease prevention. Call 425-4308 to register for the classes. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City/County Health Department.

**Ralph Ellison Library**  
Diabetes  
African American Community Diabetes Prevention Partners  
Feb 25 | Mon | 11:30a-12:30p  
All ages

The African American Community Diabetes Prevention Partners meet on the last Monday of each month to increase public awareness of community services/resources of benefit to African Americans.



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## Off the Beaten Path

## ... Discovering New Literary Treasures

Taylor, Yuval and Jake Austen. *Darkest America: Black Minstrelsy From Slavery to Hip-Hop*.  
791.12/T2477d

I remember attending minstrel shows when I was a kid, and no, I'm not 125 years old. As the authors of *Darkest America* demonstrate, the blackface minstrel show did not die out with the turn of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century; in fact, some of its worst features are still with us, especially in the movies of Tyler Perry. The authors suggest that for every Bill Cosby who tried to destroy the minstrel image there was an actor like Jimmie Walker (J.J. on the TV show "Good Times") who put it back together again.

*Do the Right Thing* [videorecording]  
791.43/D631d/VODEP/DISC

Call it what you will—controversial, angry, understanding, or just terrific filmmaking--writer/director/actor Spike Lee's 1989 serio-comic masterpiece opened a lot of eyes on its release and continues to command attention today. Set during the hottest day of summer in a Brooklyn neighborhood where racial tension is heavy between black residents and the Italians who think of the area as traditionally theirs, the film still resonates with contemporary meaning.



# We're here to serve you.

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<b>ALMONTE</b> 2914 SW 59, OKC, 606-3575	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
<b>BELLE ISLE</b> 5501 N. Villa, OKC, 843-9601	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
<b>BETHANY</b> 3510 N. Mueller, Bethany, 789-8363	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
<b>CAPITOL HILL</b> 334 S.W. 26th, OKC, 634-6308	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
<b>CHOCTAW</b> 2525 Muzzy Street, Choctaw, 390-8418	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
<b>DEL CITY</b> 4509 S.E. 15th, Del City, 672-1377	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
<b>DOWNTOWN</b> 300 Park Ave., OKC, 231-8650	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
<b>EDMOND</b> 10 S. Boulevard, Edmond, 341-9282	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
<b>MIDWEST CITY</b> 8143 E. Reno, MWC, 732-4828	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
<b>NORTHWEST</b> 5600 NW 122nd, OKC, 606-3580	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
<b>RALPH ELLISON</b> 2000 N.E. 23rd, OKC, 424-1437	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
<b>SOUTHERN OAKS</b> 6900 S. Walker, OKC 631-4468	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
<b>THE VILLAGE</b> 10307 N. Pennsylvania Avenue, The Village, 755-0710	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
<b>WARR ACRES</b> 5901 N.W. 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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<b>*HARRAH</b> 1930 N. Church Avenue, Harrah, 454-2001	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9-5	9-5	—
<b>*JONES</b> 111 E. Main, Jones, 399-5471	—	9:30-5	—	9:30-5	—	9-5	—
<b>*LUTHER</b> 310 N.E. 3rd, Luther, 277-9967	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9-5	9-5	—
<b>*NICOMA PARK</b> 2240 Overholser, Nicoma Park, 769-9452	—	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9-5	9-5	—
<b>*WRIGHT</b> 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.