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And so another new year gets started. Actually, this introduction to the January issue is being written in early December, so we're working under the assumption that the world didn't really end on December 21. If it did, you're probably not even reading this--unless you can still find copies of *info* in Heaven, which wouldn't surprise me.

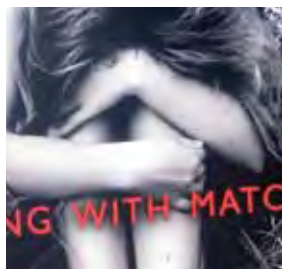
Anyway, let's take it for granted that Oklahoma County is still a great place to live, and that one of the reasons for that is the Metropolitan Library System's dedication to the best library service in our region. Take a look at the Calendar of Events in this issue and you'll see part of what we mean. Add our free programs to our books, databases, CDs, growing digital library, and DVDs and you'll see how good we are.

Good? Make that "Heavenly."





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Oklahoma's Political Exports

by Larry Johnson

January sees the swearing-in ceremonies of politicians voted in during the 2012 elections, including Oklahoma's freshman Representative Markwayne Mullin. In the Senate, Elizabeth Warren will take the seat of the junior Senator from Massachusetts, thousands of miles geographically and politically from her hometown of Oklahoma

City. Struck by this ironic *whodathunkit*, I thought it would be interesting to look at other cases where folks born in Oklahoma notably represented people in other states.

Oklahoma has been represented by some notable giants



Daniel Patrick Moynihan with Eleanor Roosevelt in her home

in Congress including Robert Owen, Robert S. Kerr, and Carl Albert, but we've also sent many people out into the world who have represented citizens in their adopted homes. Elizabeth Warren was born in Oklahoma City in 1949 and was raised in the metro until graduating from Northwest Classen at 16. She recalls her greatest inspiration

came from another native, James Garner, who visited her elementary school and told her she could be anything she wanted to be. After an academic career which saw her become a law professor at Penn and Harvard universities,



Lee P. Brown



Reubin Askew



Daniel Patrick Moynihan

Warren entered politics as administrator of the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP) and as head of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau before her 2012 election to the Senate.

Perhaps our most notable political export was New York's Daniel Patrick Moynihan. He was born in Tulsa in 1931 but moved during elementary school to New York City. Abandoned by his father, Moynihan grew up under difficult circumstances in the Hell's Kitchen district. He became an expert on urban affairs and earned a doctorate in 1961. A trusted advisor to four presidents of both parties Moynihan was known as a hard-nosed pragmatist. After serving as ambassador to the UN and to India, he won election to the Senate in 1976 despite opposition from his own party and remained until stepping down in 2000. Rarely voting along party lines, Moynihan always voted his conscience after thorough research and was often jokingly referred to as The Senator from Academia.

Lee P. Brown was a career police officer who was born and lived in Wewoka until his family migrated to California. Brown worked his way through the ranks to eventually head the police forces of Atlanta,

Houston and New York City before his election as the first African American mayor of Houston in 1998. He was instrumental in revitalizing Houston's infrastructure and served three straight terms, the maximum allowed by law.

Reubin Askew was born in Muskogee in 1927 and moved to Florida at 10. A prominent attorney after World War II, Askew became one of the first "New South" governors in 1971 and is credited with modernizing Florida's legal and political systems during his two terms.

In Illinois, Vinita-born Jim Edgar served two terms from 1991-1999 as governor. In a state known for its corrupt political machines, his clean tactics and moderate views enabled him to build consensus across party lines and Edgar retired with some of the highest approval ratings ever seen for an Illinois governor.

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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Playing With Matches

by Carolyn Wall

"Toward the end of the day, we watched guards in gray uniforms park in Mama's yard. Sometimes she'd greet them at the door – the river wind lifting her pink feather boa. Her silver-beeled slippers winked like glass in the twilight."

Take an abandoned child. Stir in the Deep South. Add one book of matches. Oklahoma author Carolyn Wall combines these three elements, pours them into an iron skillet, and fries up a plate of down home comfort reading.

Clea Shine grew up in False River, Mississippi. She is the unwanted daughter of the town's only prostitute. Fostered and loved by neighbor Jerusha Lovemore, she can't keep away from the destructive flame of her emotionally distant mother. Time and again Clea is drawn back to the house where she was born (on the table, so as not to ruin the sheets upstairs), peering

in from the porch at the woman drinking gin and entertaining the help from The Farm.

Her childhood is odd, but then again, who has a "normal" childhood? Clea's best friend was separated at birth from a conjoined twin. Another friend, Finn, lives in a tree down by the river. Even more bizarre characters and situations appear, but I don't want to spoil it for you.

As might be expected, tragedy strikes and Clea escapes from the town and her past. Years later, another tragedy draws her back. Guilt wrestles with survivor's instinct, and in the middle of a hurricane, Clea comes to a crossroads in her quest for peace of mind.

With her sharply-boned reviewing skills, Jana Hausburg is ready to tackle any literary challenge. Except, maybe, vampire romance. She is also the manager at the Capitol Hill Library.

reviewed by Jana Hausburg



FICTION/
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ON THE SHELF

The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry

by Rachel Joyce

First time author Rachel Joyce has written an unlikely bestseller in *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry*. Joyce tells the story of retired sales rep Harold Fry who one day decides to walk the length of England from Devon in the southwest to Berwick-Upon-Tweed near the Scottish Border after he receives a letter from former colleague Queenie Hennesey telling him that she is dying of cancer in a hospice in Berwick. He composes a reply and sets off to the post box in his yachting shoes but on a sudden whim inspired by a brief conversation with a girl at the gas station, he decides to walk the 600 miles to deliver the letter in person believing that this pilgrimage will save his friend from her affliction. His wife Maureen is distraught as Harold is completely unprepared for such a long journey with no cell phone, supplies or

appropriate attire. However, during the journey both Harold and Maureen have time to reflect on the changes needed in their lives.

Written with quirky British humor coupled with pathos and sensitivity in the same vein as *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* by Deborah Moggach, Harold's journey changes all their lives for the good. If you enjoyed Moggach's book you will definitely enjoy this original story featuring a retired couple.

This title is also available as an audiobook CD, a WMA audiobook, an EPUB eBook, and in a Kindle edition.

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

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The Man Who Saved the Union: Ulysses Grant in War and Peace

by H.W. Brands

reviewed by Doug Bentin



He once acted the role of Desdemona in an all-male soldier production of *Othello* in Corpus Christi. As president in the 1870s, he used laws he was instrumental in passing to crack down on Ku Klux Klan violence, practically destroying that organization. He pushed for passage of the Fifteenth Amendment, giving all men the right to vote regardless of their “race, color, or previous condition of servitude.” He may have been our only president to serve under an alias. When he was 17, the congressman who nominated him to West Point got his name wrong and Hiram Ulysses Grant became known as Ulysses Simpson Grant (Simpson being a family name).

When his memoirs were published it was said that if an American home contained at least two books, one would be the Bible and the other Grant’s autobiography. He and General William Tecumseh

Sherman were best friends during the Civil War, and remained so for the rest of Grant’s life. “Grant stood by me when I was crazy, and I stood by him when he was drunk,” Cump Sherman said of him, “and now we stand by each other.” In a letter to his friend during the war, Sherman succinctly defined Grant’s character: “Continue as heretofore to be yourself—simple, honest, and unpretending.”

This highly readable narrative history is the first full biography of the 18th president to appear in a decade. It’s an important part of the Grant re-evaluation that has been gaining momentum over the last several years and a must-read for everyone who enjoys 19th century American history.

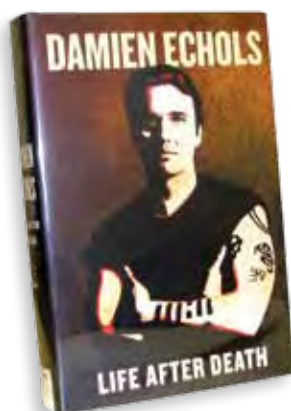
Doug Bentin edits and writes in info magazine.

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Life After Death

by Damien Echols

reviewed by Marilyn Backus



“I was still a child when I was sent to Death Row. I grew into adulthood . . . in this hell hole. I came into this situation wide-eyed and naïve. Now I view most everything and everyone with narrow-eyed suspicion.”

The autobiography of a man convicted of murdering three little boys alternates chapters between rebellious teen years and a childhood in extreme poverty. Then abruptly at 18, he was arrested, tried, and sentenced. The rest of the story records his next 18 years on death row.

The *Paradise Lost* documentaries (also available on DVD from MLS) publicized the murders and the trials. The films started a movement for justice for the West Memphis Three, Damien and his two friends sentenced to life in prison. All were released from prison just last year on an Alford Plea (maintaining their innocence while entering a formal guilty plea in return for their release).

Without the films, Damien would certainly have been forgotten, still on death row, or already executed. Damien acknowledges his debt to the filmmakers, but reveals a more personal story than the films have told. He says he feels like two different men, one laughing at the other. And in fact, that is the sense the reader gets, a man both naïve yet hardened, foolish but wise, Catholic and Buddhist. He struggles with powerlessness, “There has to be some magick in something, somewhere” and “There is no such thing as magick.” There is certainly poetry in his prose.

A Peter Jackson documentary *West of Memphis* will be released in theatres in December.

Marilyn Backus has worked for the Metropolitan Library System for over 25 years. She currently works in the Materials Selection department and selects many of the great non-fiction titles and features films that you can check out at the library.



Reviews & Recommendations

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Oklahoma City Film Row

by Bradley Wynn

Oklahoma City Film Row is a fascinating history book about a segment of downtown Oklahoma City that I bet you don't know ever existed. It's a simple story, mainly told in old photographs, that describes a niche industry – film distribution – that is invisible to most of us, but, in the reading, makes perfect sense. Of course someone had to physically distribute the actual film reels, along with other cinema supplies such as soda, popcorn, and candy, but who would have thought it to be such a large industry?

This book starts in 1907 with the very first film companies in Oklahoma City and traces them through their downtown locations, until their demise late in the century. Most of the final headquarter buildings still exist on West Sheridan. They've recently drawn attention with the renaissance of that area, both from

reviewed by Lloyd Lovely

the streetscape Project 180 and from the renovation of the buildings into new purposes, including restaurants and architect offices. It is again an attractive part of town that will grow ever more popular in the near future with additional destination establishments. I recently lunched there with a friend, and enjoyed being able to point out the landmarks and describe the area's history, which I had learned only recently from this book.

If you live or work in, or are otherwise familiar with downtown, you'll enjoy revisiting the changes to it over the years.

Lloyd Lovely is the MLS Deputy Executive Director for Finance and Support, which makes him feel important. Please don't tell him the truth.

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ON THE SHELF

A Wanted Man

by Lee Child

It is wintertime in Nebraska. Jack Reacher is standing on the eastbound ramp of the interstate, with his thumb stuck out, hoping for a ride. He knows he could wait a long time. Most drivers want a pleasant, unthreatening passenger. He is a big man, a little unkempt, and has a broken nose held together with duct tape. After ninety-three cold minutes, a car stops for him.

There are three passengers in the car, two men in the front and a woman in the back. Observing them, Reacher thinks the three don't know each other very well. Perhaps they are business colleagues on a teambuilding trip? Why are they all wearing black pants and new blue denim shirts? Shirts so new they are still creased from the wrapper.

Why is the bottle of water they give Reacher still ice cold, if they've been traveling for three hours with the

reviewed by Ruby Soutiere

heater blasting? Why are they stopping for gasoline when the gas gauge registers three-quarters full? Why does no one but Reacher go inside to use the restroom after three hours on the road? Changing drivers, Reacher is behind the wheel when they get to a police roadblock. The officer mostly notices Reacher's nose and quickly sends them on their way.

In this, the 17th novel in the series, the plot twists and turns its way to an exciting finish and a promise of book number 18.

This title is also available as an EPUB eBook, as a Playaway recorded book, as an audiobook CD, in large print and in a Kindle edition.

Ruby Soutiere has the best job ever, selecting the adult fiction for the Metropolitan Library System. If you are quick, you might see her, in her free time, zipping around the city in a white roadster, red curls flying.





10TH ANNUAL WINTER READFEST

Elsewhere in this issue of *info* we told you about some of the art-related programming going on at MLS in January, but when you get right down to it public libraries were built on one art: the art of reading.

We've had a Summer Reading Program in place for kids for as long as anyone can remember. Summer Reading is one of the bedrocks of library service, but ten years ago Anita Roesler, from our Outreach Department, asked a question no one else had given voice to: Why don't we have a Reading Program for adults? And thus Winter Readfest was born.

"Our customers seem to love this program," Anita said. "But then, who wouldn't love a chance to win an eReader, or an iPod, or tickets to Lyric Theatre? We get touching and exciting letters from customers who win something thanking us for the event and the prizes."

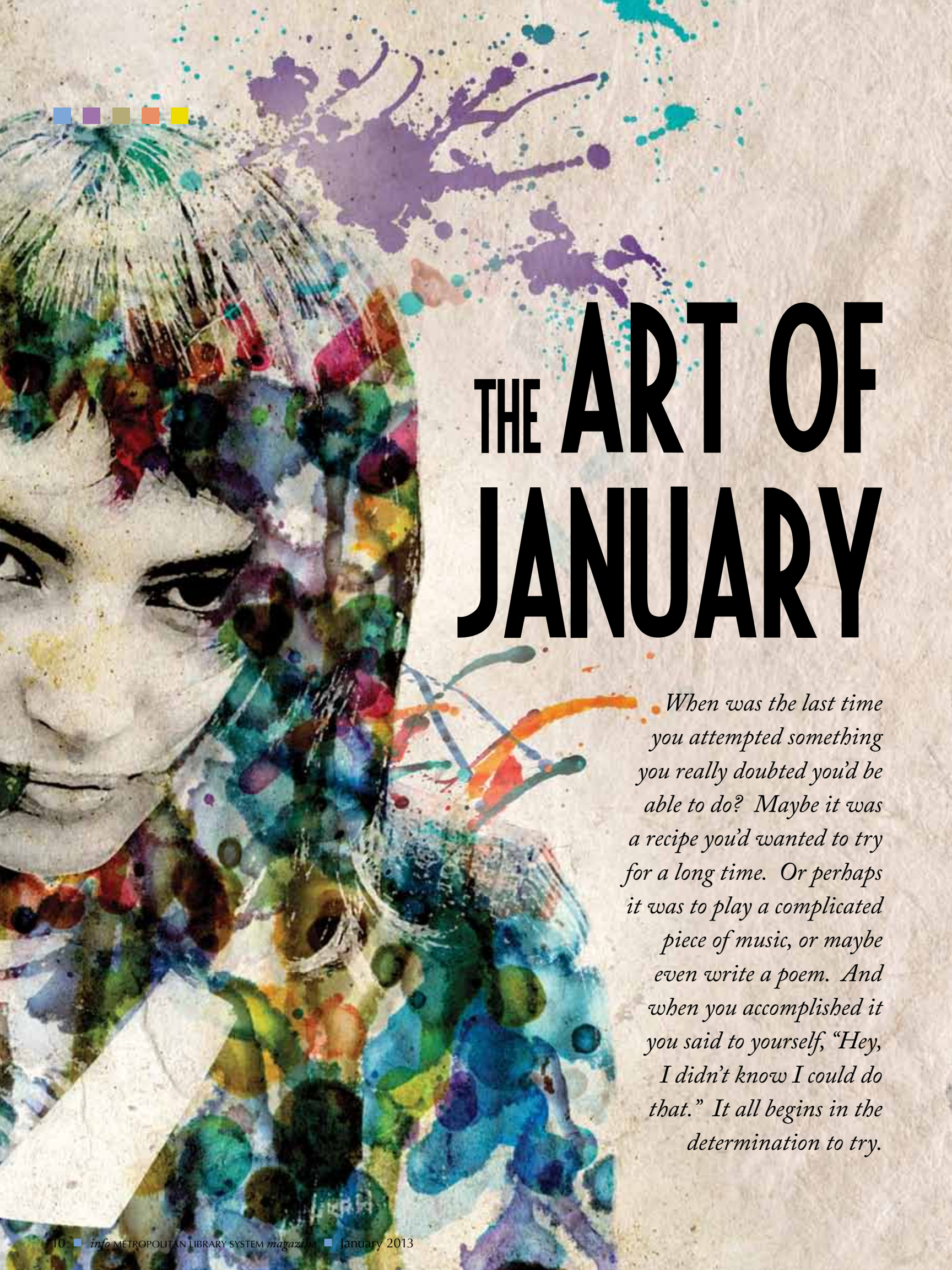
Winter Readfest runs January 14 through February 28,

and it's strictly for library customers who are 18 years of age or over. This year's program is designed to be more like a game so participants can play along rather than just make a list of titles they read.

"We're going to have a terrific slate of prizes in 2013," Anita added. "In fact, at the time I'm telling you this, we haven't even got all of them lined up yet, but just as we've done in years past we're going to draw on local businesses and organizations for most of the prizes. To enter, all you have to do is read three books. For every three books you read, you get to fill out a prize drawing slip. The more you read, the better your chance is of winning something wonderful."

You can learn more about Winter Readfest by contacting the MLS Outreach Department at 606-3833. Now get ready to read, and good luck!





THE ART OF JANUARY

When was the last time you attempted something you really doubted you'd be able to do? Maybe it was a recipe you'd wanted to try for a long time. Or perhaps it was to play a complicated piece of music, or maybe even write a poem. And when you accomplished it you said to yourself, "Hey, I didn't know I could do that." It all begins in the determination to try.



Now to the point: have you ever wondered whether or not you'd be able to paint with watercolors? Several people around the Metropolitan Library System service area have asked that question and watercolorists Jim and Marilyn Pourtorkan have helped them to a positive response.

In January, the Pourtorkans are back, taking their moveable Introduction to Watercolor program to the Edmond Library (call 341-9282 ext. 3 for details) on Saturday, January 26th from 10am to noon. The session is for adults and covers such basic techniques as applying color and composing a painting. To make it all even more appealing to budding watercolorists, all supplies will be provided free of charge, as is the workshop itself. You can sign up by calling the library or dropping by the Information Desk beginning January 7th.

If you find yourself on the other side of town on Saturday, January 12, you might want to check out artist Debbie Langston's Art in the Afternoon program. Debbie will be at the Capitol Hill Library (634-6308) to show people of all ages how to create stunning works of art in a variety of media. She asks that participants who are younger than 10 be accompanied by a parent or guardian. The session meets from 2-4pm.

But if you like to look at art rather than create it, MLS has a pair of exhibitions on tap for January.

The Mid-Del Art Guild Annual Ribbon Show will be on display at the Midwest City Library through January 31 during regular library hours. The Guild was founded in 1973 for the purpose of the promotion of

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the arts through demonstrations, lectures, and fine art exhibits, is composed of both professional and amateur artists. The exhibit is free and open to the public so be sure to stop by when you're in the neighborhood.

And finally, Ralph Ellison Library presents You've Been Framed! Every month the library invites a different local artist to share his or her work on the library's west wall. It's free, of course, during library hours.

So when it comes to art whether you're a doer or a looker, MLS has something going on just for you in January.

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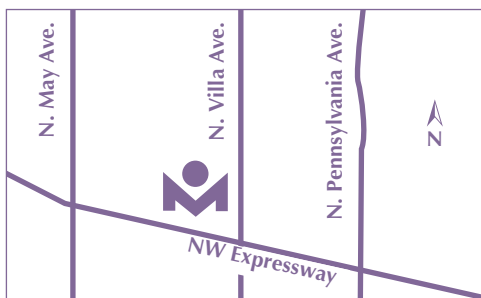
All MLS Libraries will be closed Jan 1 for New Year's and on Jan 21 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

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 21 & 25 for more Belle Isle Library programs/events.

Getting Organized for the New Year

Jan 5 | Sat | 2-3p

Teens and older

January is National Get Organized (GO) month. Join professional organizer Amber Austin as she gives you some tips to get 2013 on the right track. There will a drawing for a free consultation. Sign up at the Belle Isle Information Desk or call 843-9601.

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

Jan 7,14,28 | 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. Pre-register by calling the library or visiting the Information Desk.

Gaming Club

Jan 8,15,22,29 | 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!

ABC Winter

Jan 9 | Wed | 10-10:45a

Pre-kindergarten

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

10th Annual Winter Readfest

Jan 14-Feb 28

Adults over age 18

Pick up a game sheet at your library and take a reading trip through the genres from Jan. 14th through Feb. 28th. For every three books read, get a drawing slip to win great prizes including eReaders, audio readers, gift cards, family memberships to museums, etc. and more. Readfest is for everyone over the age of 18. Cosponsors are Friends of the Library and The Library Endowment Trust.

Belle Isle Teen Crafts

Jan 17 | Thur | 4-5p

Teens

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

Knitting Guild of OKC

Jan 20 | 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.

FAFSA 101

Jan 26 | Sat | 3-4:30p

Teens and adults

Need to file a FAFSA (Federal Student Aid application) but not sure where to start? Join us for an instructional presentation with OCAP on everything you'll need to know!

Jazz in January Concert With Miss Brown to You

Jan 27 | Sun | 2-3p

All Ages

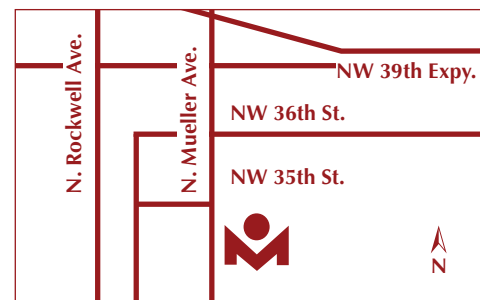
Listen to some Jazz in January with the vocal styling's of the musical duo Miss Brown to You (aka Mary Reynolds and Louise Goldberg.) They'll capture you with their subtle ballads, soulful blues, sophisticated bop and swinging classical jazz, and will warm you with their colorful original songs.

Bethany Library

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

HOURS

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



See page 26 for more Bethany Library programs/events.

Yu-Gi-Oh! Club

Jan 5 | 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!

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

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Stuffed Toy Workshop

Jan 19 | Sat | 2-4p

Grades 4-8

Would you enjoy learning to make stuffed toys? If you have some sewing experience or none at all, you are welcome to attend. We will help you get started and all sewing materials will be provided. Take home a toy you made yourself! Enjoy some hot chocolate and other refreshments too. Preregistration is required. Signup at the Information Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

Play & Story Time

Jan 24 | 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.

Winter Story & Craft Time

Jan 31 | Thur | 10-10:45a

Ages 3-6

Enjoy stories, songs, nursery rhymes, a traditional flannel board story and a fun craft. Pre-register at the library Information Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

Capitol Hill Library

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

HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9

Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5

Sun: 1-6



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You Pick It Movie Matinee

Jan 4 | Fri | 2-4p

All ages

Choose from a few favorite film selections and stay warm and cozy at the library. Refreshments will be provided.

Safari After School Homework and Reading Help

Jan 7-28 | Weekdays-not Fri | 3:30-5p

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

Jan 8 | 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.

Chess Club Remix

Jan 8,22 | Thur | 4-5p

Kids and teens

Come play chess in a relaxed, informal setting. Chess players can share tips and skills and teach others to play. Every Tuesday.

Play at the Hill Game Fest

Jan 9,23 | 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!

Art in the Afternoon

Jan 12 | Sat | 2-4p

Ages 8 and older

Join us for a relaxing day of creating art with local artist Debbie Langston. Children younger than 10 are required to have a parent present.

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Winter Game Fest

Jan 14 | Mon | 5:30-7p

Teens

Don't be out in the cold! Visit the library for some winter fun instead! Play Xbox 360 Kinect and Game Cube, Wii and more, or bring your Beyblade or Yu-Gi-Oh cards and battle your friends. Special refreshments will be served.

Tell Me a Story: Move and Groove

Jan 15 | 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 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.

Kids On the Hill Book Club

Jan 15 | Tue | 4-5:30p

Grades 2-4

Kids are introduced to both fiction and non-fiction books in a variety of subjects, and can 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 Stories: Bilingual Story Time - English y Español

Jan 15 | Tue | 6-7p

Age 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: Parachute Play

Jan 22 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a

Ages 6 and younger with adult

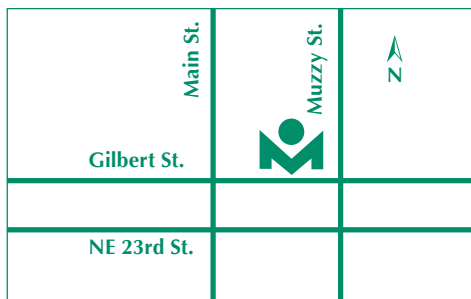
Hearing stories is one of the best ways for babies and young children to develop early language and literacy skills. Our story time is a fast paced, fun event adapted for short attention spans. Stories, songs and games are followed by parachute play and healthy snack. Parachute play is an excellent way 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.

Choctaw Library

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

HOURS

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



See page 21 for more Choctaw Library programs/events.

Parachute Play

Jan 3 | 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.

Teen Mystery Night

Jan 3 | Thur | 5-7p

Teens

Do you enjoy reading a good mystery or watching T.V. shows/movies that keep you on

the edge of your seat? Have you ever wanted to try to solve a crime? Become a detective at the Choctaw Library to solve the mystery of The Disappearance of Angela Day. What happened to Angela Day? Is she a runaway or the victim of foul play? You will investigate crime scenes and carefully examine the evidence in order to solve the crime. Snacks will be provided. Space is limited; please register by calling the library 390-8418 or visiting the Information Desk.

Lapsit Storytime

Jan 8,15,22,29 | 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

Jan 8,15,22,29 | 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.

Lil' Lit Club

Jan 9,16,23,30 | Wed | 1:30-2p

Children who can read

Come read with us on Wednesdays at Lil' Lit Club-reading and fun related activities. Participants will benefit from reading the book in advance with their families. Stop by the Information Desk to get the next title or call 390-8418.

Pizza and Plots-Teen Book Club

Jan 9 | Wed | 4:30-5:30p

Teens

Choctaw Library has a book club just for Teens! Come enjoy pizza and drinks as we talk about awesome books. Get more info or sign up at the Information Desk or call 390-8418.

Open Play Time

Jan 12 | Sat | 10-11a

Age 6 months-5 yrs w/parent

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

10th Annual Winter Readfest

Jan 14-Feb 28

Adults over age 18

Pick up a game sheet at your library and take a reading trip through the genres from Jan. 14th through Feb. 28th. For every three books read, get a drawing slip to win great prizes including eReaders, audio readers, gift cards,

family memberships to museums, etc. and more. Readfest is for everyone over the age of 18. Cosponsors are Friends of the Library and The Library Endowment Trust.

Ookami Anime Club

Jan 26 | 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.

LEGO Club

Jan 30 | Wed | 4-5:30p

All ages

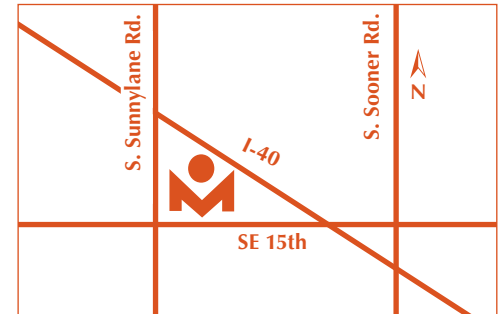
Build with the Lego Club at the Choctaw Library. Open to all ages. Legos provided.

Del City Library

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

HOURS

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



See pages 21 & 26 for more Del City Library programs/events.

Storytime

Jan 4 | 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

Jan 7-31 | 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

Jan 8 | 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 to sign up.

10th Annual Winter Readfest

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Adults

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Teen Reads Book Club

Jan 15 | 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 *The Fault In Our Stars* by John Green. Reserve a copy or stop by the Information Desk to pick up a copy of the book.

Living Lightly

Jan 15 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p

Adults

Energy does so much to improve our lives we can hardly imagine living without it. With increased energy demands worldwide, it's time to get serious about our energy efficiency. Join us as we learn about ways to improve our energy use with OG&E. To sign up please call 672-1377 or visit us at the Information Desk.

Movie Night

Jan 23 | 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.

Busy Person's Book Club

Jan 31 | 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 *O' Pioneers* by Willa Cather. Call or stop by the Information Desk to reserve your copy of this month's book selection.

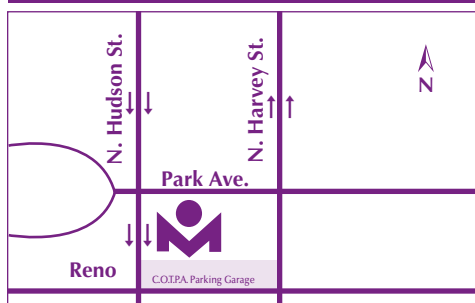
Downtown Library

300 Park Ave., OKC
(405) 231-8650

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6



See page 21 for more Downtown Library programs/events.

Movie Night

Jan 2,9,16,23,30 | Wed | 6-8:30p

Ages 13 and older

Join us for an action packed adventure, a good laugh or heartfelt drama every Wednesday on the big screen in the 46th Star Auditorium. Movies are rated PG-13. Please call 231-8650 for movie titles.

Urban Sprouts - Storytime

Jan 3,17 | 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.

Noon Tunes

Jan 3,10,17,24,31 | Thur | Noon-1p

All ages

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

Jan 3: *David Korbel*

Jan 10: *Em & the Mother Superiors*

Jan 17: *Callen Clarke Trio*

Jan 24: *Easy Street*

Jan 31: *Del City HS Jazz Band*

Computer Basics

Jan 8,15,22 | 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.

Tai Chi

Jan 9,16,23,30 | Wed | 5:30-6:30p

Adults

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.

Urban Sprouts - Wild Card

Jan 10 | Thur | 10-10:30a

Ages 1-5

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

2nd Sunday Concert

Jan 13 | Sun | 2-3p

All ages

Join us at the 2nd Sunday of each month in the Downtown Library's beautiful open spaced atrium to enjoy music from Mike Price.

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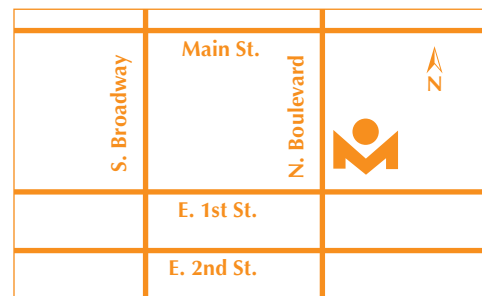
Edmond Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6



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

55+ Coffee Break

**Jan 2,9,16,23,30 | 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.

Computer Tutoring

**Jan 2,3,4,9,10,11,16,17,18,23,24,25,30,31
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.

Stamp Club

**Jan 5,19 | 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

**Jan 6,13,20,27 | 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

**Jan 6,13,20,27 | 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

**Jan 7,14,28 | Mon | 10-10:30a
Ages 3-5**

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

Tai Chi for Better Balance

**Jan 7,10,14,17,24,28,31 | Mon & Thur
2-3p
Adults and Seniors**

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 and mobility endorsed by the Oklahoma City County Health Department. Join certified Tai Chi instructor Ron Loving for this 12-week series.

Chess Club for Teens

**Jan 8,15,22,29 | 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.

In Stitches

**Jan 8 | 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 January, the group project will be learning the basics of hand smocking. 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

**Jan 10 | 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.

Understanding the Writing Process with Betsy Randolph

**Jan 10 | Thur | 7-8p
Adults**

Betsy Randolph, an Oklahoma Highway Patrol Trooper, will be here to share her writing experiences and explain the process of getting published. Her first novel, *Tokens of Liars*, a Cat Carlyle mystery was published in 2012. Come hear how her radio broadcasting and law enforcement careers have been beneficial in her writing process.

Music With Susan

**Jan 11,25 | 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. Pre-register by calling 341-9282, ext. 4.

Music With Susan

**Jan 11,25 | 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. Pre-register by calling 341-9282, ext. 4.

Readers' Choice Book Club

**Jan 12 | 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 January is *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot.

Edmond Library Book Bunch

**Jan 12 | Sat | 2-3:30p
Seniors**

Edmond's Book Bunch meets monthly to discuss important and memorable fiction. January's book is *This Bright River* by Patrick Somerville. Ben Hanson's aimless life has bottomed out after a series of bad decisions, but an unexpected offer from his father draws him home to Wisconsin. Contact the library to reserve a copy.

Yu-Gi-Oh Tournament

**Jan 12 | Sat | 3-4:30p
School-age children**

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

10th Annual Winter Readfest

**Jan 14-Feb 28
Adults**

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Lapsit Playtime and Storytime

**Jan 15,22,29 | Tue | 9-9:45a,
10-10:45a and 11-11:45a**

Ages birth - 2 yrs old

Playtime is not only a wonderful bonding and

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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!

Dystopias & Desserts

**Jan 15 | Tue | 7-8p
Teens**

Did you love *The Hunger Games* or *Divergent* but aren't sure of what to read next? Join us for a plethora of desserts, (some sugar-free ones too) and a discussion about great dystopian reads for teens. Refreshments will be provided along with books available to check out. Call 341-9282 to register.

Baby Bounce

**Jan 16,23,30 | 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.

Toddler Time for 2s

**Jan 16,23,30 | Wed | 10-10:45a and
11-11:45a
2-Year-old**

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.

History Book Club

**Jan 17 | Thur | 6:30-8p
Adults**

The Edmond History Book is held every other month September-May. The sessions are led by history professors from the University of Central Oklahoma. The January discussion, led by Dr. Katrina Lacher, UCO professor of environmental and urban history, will focus on *The Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic, and Madness at the Fair That Changed America* by Erik Larson. Contact the library to reserve a copy.

Pajamatime

**Jan 17,24,31 | 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!

eMedia Workshops

**Jan 19 | Sat | 2p Kindle Users
Jan 19 | 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.

Introduction to Watercolor Painting with Jim Pourtorkan

**Jan 26 | Sat | 10a-Noon
Adults**

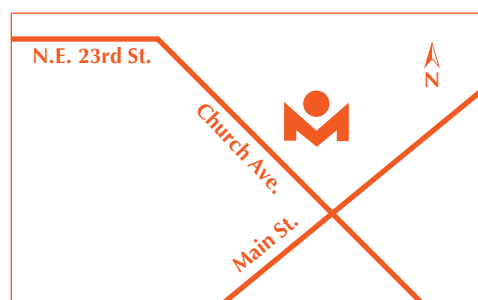
Jim and Marilyn Pourtorkan are back again to introduce you to the basic techniques of watercolor painting; how to apply color and compose a painting. All supplies are provided. Please register, beginning January 7th, by stopping by the Information Desk or calling the library at 341-9282, x3.

Harrah Library

1930 N. Church Ave., Harrah
(405) 454-2001

HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9:30-6 Sat: 9-5
Fri: 9-5 Sun: Closed



10th Annual Winter Readfest

Jan 14-Feb 28

Adults over age 18

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Jones Library

111 E. Main St., Jones
(405) 399-5471

HOURS

Tue & Thur: 9:30-5:30 Sat: 1-5
Mon Wed Fri & Sun: Closed



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Adults over age 18

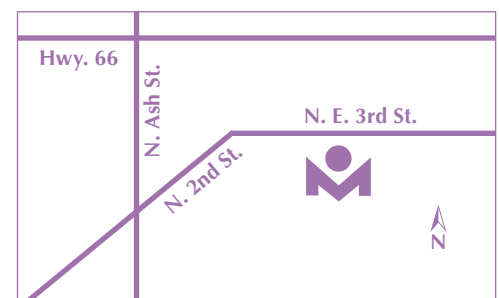
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Luther Library

310 N.E. 3rd, Luther
(405) 277-9967

HOURS

Mon - Thur: 9:30-6 Fri & Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed



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Adults over age 18


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18. Cosponsors are Friends of the Library and The Library Endowment Trust.

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

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

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N. Douglas St.

E. Reno

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

Mid-Del Art Guild Annual Ribbon Show Jan 2-31 | Library Hours

All ages

The annual Ribbon Show, featuring award winning pieces from the Mid-Del Art Guild, will be on display throughout the month of January at the Midwest City Library. The Guild, founded in 1973 for the purpose of the promotion of the arts through demonstrations, lectures, and fine art exhibits, is composed of both professional and amateur artists. The exhibit is free and open to the public during all library hours.

Chess Club at the Midwest City Library

Jan 2 | 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.

eBooks 101

Jan 3 | Tue | 10a-Noon

Adults

Join Jerod for a step-by-step instructional session on how to check out library eBooks for your eReader, tablet computer or smart phone. To attend, please register at 732-4828 or contact the Information Desk.

Mad Scientist Lab

Jan 5 | Sat | 3:30-4:15p

Jan 10,17 | 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. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign-up.

Soldier Creek Quilting Group

Jan 7,14,28 | Mon | 9a-2p

All ages

Perpetuate art forms and inspire others in quilting. Members of the Soldier Creek Quilting Group invite you to attend every Monday (excluding Monday, January 21) 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.

Preschool Storytime

Jan 7,14 | 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.

Non-Fiction Book Club

Jan 10 | Thur | 7-8p

Adults

Come join us for the Midwest City Nonfiction Readers' Book Club where we will read and discuss an array of titles of varying subject matter. This month's selection is *Voodoo Histories: The Role of the Conspiracy Theory in Shaping Modern History* by David Aaronovitch. To sign-up and receive a copy of the selected book, please visit the Information Desk.

Yadah-Yadah Ready to Read Book Club

Jan 12 | Sat | 11a-Noon

Teens

Do you like to read books that inspire and challenge you to think? Or, do you enjoy good conversation/discussing ideas about different book topics? Come to the Midwest City Library and express your thoughts and be heard at the Yadah Yadah book club for teens. To attend please contact the Information Desk or call 732-4828. Cosponsor: Yadah Yadah Ready to Read.

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Knit Wit

Jan 15 | Tue | 10a-Noon

Adults

Learn to knit or crochet or strengthen your craft. Crochet class meets every first Tuesday (excluding January 1); knitting class meets every third Tuesday. This class is free. No registration required.

Readers' Society Book Club

Jan 15 | Tue | 10-11:30a

Adults

The Readers' Society meets on the third Tuesday of each month. The book for January is *Miss Lizzie's War* by Rosemary Agonito. It is a Civil War novel based on the true story of the double life of Southern Belle and spy Elizabeth Van Lew. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to reserve your copy.

Pajama Storytime

Jan 15 | 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.

AAA Motor Vehicle Crash Prevention Course

Jan 19 | 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.

Yugioh Gaming

Jan 26 | Sat | 2-4:30p

Ages 13-19

Come and get your Yugioh game on every last Saturday of the month. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 732-4828.

Toddler Aerobics

Jan 28 | 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.

Family Craft Night

Jan 29 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p

Children of all ages

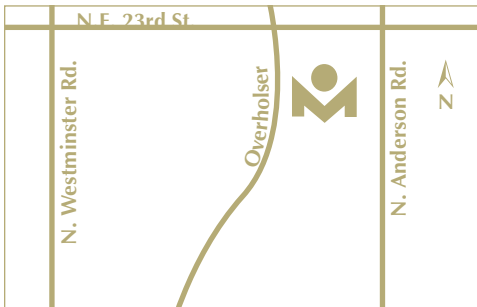
Come to the library for a fun evening of craft activities. We will have tables set up with activities for all ages and skill levels. Please sign-up in advance so we will have enough supplies for everyone. Register at the Information Desk or by calling 732-4828.

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 page 21 for more Nicoma Park Library programs/events.

Crochet and Knit Class

Jan 8 | Tue | 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.

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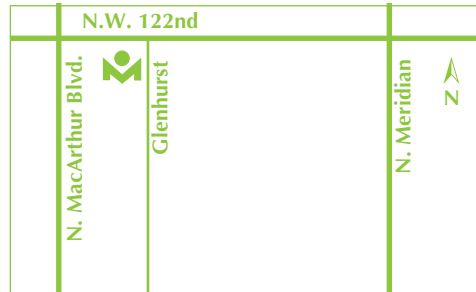


Northwest Library

5600 NW 122nd
(405) 606-3580

HOURS

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



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

Chess Club

Jan 3 | 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 Saturday with chess sets available at the Information Desk for in-house use.

Tai Chi

Jan 7,10,14,17,24,28,31 | Mon & Thur

4-5p

Adults

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 exercise that can be performed almost anywhere. Come experience a 24 step form of this popular exercise!

Morning Early Childhood Programs for Ages 3-5

Jan 8,15,22,29 | Tue | 10-10:45a and

1-1:40p

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.
1/8- Play with Me
1/15- Story Time
1/22- Music Play
1/29- Wiggles and Giggles

Morning Early Childhood Programs for Ages 0-2

Jan 8,15,22 | 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.
January:

1/8- Play with Me (no 1:45p this date)

1/15- Story Time

1/22- Music Play

1/29- Wiggles and Giggles

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play With Me

Jan 8 | 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. Pre-register by calling the library or visiting the Information Desk.

10th Annual Winter Readfest

Jan 14-Feb 28

Adults over age 18

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Budding Bookworms: Children's Book Club

Jan 14 | 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, *Number the Stars* by Lois Lowry. Reserve your copy today!

Journal Junkies

Jan 17 | 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.

CHILDREN READING TO DOGS

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



Belle Isle Library	Mondays, 6-7pm
Capitol Library	Saturday, Jan 12, 1-2pm
Capitol Library	Tuesday, Jan 22, 6-7pm
Choctaw Library	Saturday, Jan 12, 3-4pm <i>Register at the Information Desk or call 390-8418</i>
Choctaw Library	Wednesday, Jan 16, 4-5pm
Del City Library	Thursday, Jan 10, 24, 6:30-7:30pm <i>Register at the Information Desk or call 672-1377</i>
Downtown Library	Saturday, Jan 19, 3-4pm
Edmond Library	Tuesday, Jan 22, 6:30-7:30pm

Midwest City Library	Tuesdays, Jan 8, 22, 7-7:30pm <i>Register at the Information Desk or call 732-4828</i>
Nicoma Park Library	Thursday, Jan 3, 4-4:45pm <i>Register at the Information Desk or call 769-9452</i>
Northwest Library	Mondays, 6-7pm
Southern Oaks Library	Saturday, Jan 12, 10-11am <i>Register at the Information Desk or call 631-4468</i>
Southern Oaks Library	Tuesday, Jan 29, 6:30-7:30pm
The Village Library	Wednesdays, 6-7pm
The Village Library	Thursdays, 3:30-4:30pm
Warr Acres Library	Thursday, Jan 10, 6:30-7:30pm

Salud Total

Jan 24,31 | Thur | 9:30-11a

Adultos

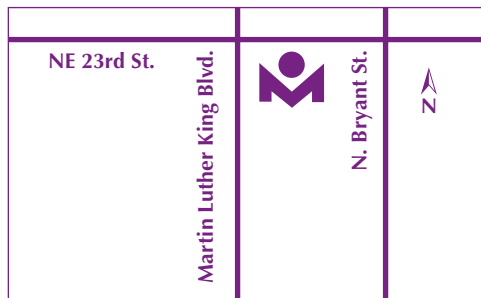
¡Usted puede lucir y sentirse mejor! Aprenda a practicar un estilo de vida más saludable. Las clases se reúnen una hora por semana durante 12 semanas. Salud Total puede ayudar a prevenir enfermedades crónicas como la diabetes, algunos tipos de cáncer, asma, y enfermedades del corazón. Llame a Rebecca Cortez: (405) 425-4308- Departamento de Salud del la Ciudad y del Condado de Oklahoma.

Ralph Ellison Library

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

HOURS

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



See pages 25 & 26 for more Ralph Ellison Library programs/events.

Art Exhibit: You've Been Framed!

Jan 2-31 | 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

Jan 5,12,19,26 | 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

Jan 5,12,19,26 | 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

Jan 7 | Mon | 4-5:30p

All ages

Gamfests rock! 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.

Girls' Night: Stationery Creations

Jan 8 | Tue | 5-6:30p

All ages

Girls' Night is just around the corner! Open for girls of all ages, it will be a night of fun as we create one-of-a-kind stationery to send out thank you notes for your holiday gifts and munch on snacks! Invite your sister, mom, grandma, and cousin for this spectacular event for girls only! Sign up is required. Call 424-1437.

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Adults over age 18

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Metropolitan Library Commission of Oklahoma County

Jan 17 | Thur | 3:30-5p

Ralph Ellison Library

2000 N.E. 23rd

OKC, OK

405.424.1237

The public is welcome to attend.



Eastside Chess Club

Jan 17 | Thur | 4-5p

Ages 10 and older

Enjoy a friendly game of chess? Players of all ages and skill levels are welcome. We meet every Thursday.

Bullying Awareness and Prevention Forum

Jan 17 | Thur | 6-8p

All ages

The therapists at Principles of Resilience Youth Development are putting on a bullying awareness and prevention forum where the community can discuss what bullying is and how to prevent it from happening. Cosponsor: Principles of Resilience Youth Development.

S.O.U.P.

Jan 28 | 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.

Beyblade Tournament

Jan 29 | Tue | 4:30-6p

Ages 10-18

Ralph Ellison Library is hosting Bey Blade Tournaments every other month! Bring your own bey blade if you have one and get ready to battle! Sign up is required. Call 424-1437 or visit the library.

Mother Goose on the Loose

Jan 31 | Thur | 6-6:30p

Birth to age 5

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



See pages 21 & 26 for more Southern Oaks Library programs/events.

Last Hurrah Winter Craftacular

Jan 2 | Wed | 6:30-8p

Age 8 and older

The Last Hurrah Winter Craftacular! Come make crafts before you have to go back to school. Crafts will be designed for kids and teens.

Friday-Films, Family and Fun

Jan 4,11,18,25 | 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.

Fan-Fiction Fan-Art Contest Begins

Jan 7-Mar 17

All ages

January 7, 2013, is the first day to submit entries to the Southern Oaks Library Fan-Fiction Fan-Art contest. Fan art may be any medium and contain original characters, but must contain copyrighted characters as the main theme. Similar rules apply to fan-fiction. The last day to submit your work is Sunday, March 17 at 6pm. For the complete rules go to <http://www.metrolibrary.org/fan/> or contact John at Southern Oaks Library, 631-4468. Cosponsors: Atomik Pop! and Speeding Bullet Comics.

Southern Oaks Book Club

Jan 8 | 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.

Book Adventure: Kids' Book Club

Jan 8 | 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.

Scarlet Kitsune Anime Club

Jan 10 | Thur | 6:30-8:30p

Ages 14-19

Watch anime and hang out!

Trip Around the World

Jan 12,26 | Sat | 2-3:30p

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 pre-register at the information Desk or call the library. Cosponsor: Junior League of Oklahoma City.

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Toddler/Preschool Activity: Storytime

Jan 14 | 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.

Adult Education Classes

Jan 14,16,23,28,30 | 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 begin January 14, 2013. Please call 631-4468 to register. Cosponsor: Community Literacy Centers, Inc.

Tai Chi

Jan 16,18,23,25,30 | 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.

Toddler/Preschool Activity: Tippi Toes

Dance

Jan 28 | Mon | 10:30-11a

Ages 2-5 w/parent

Join us for a fun program focusing on movement and dance. Program will be presented by Tippi Toes Dance Company. They provide children with a fun, positive environment so they are able to experience the joys of dance, self-expression and movement. This program 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, so pre-registration is required for this

program. Sign up at the Information Desk or by calling 631-4468.

The Village Library

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

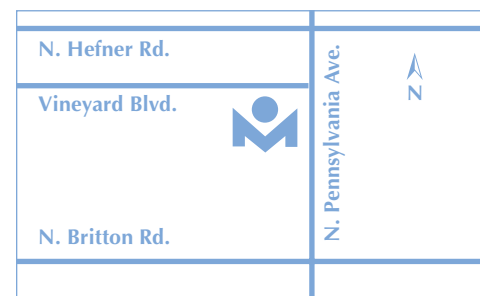
HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9

Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5

Sun: 1-6



See page 21 for more of The Village Library programs/events.

Gamefest

Jan 3 | Thur | 6:30-8p

Teens

It's game on at the library! We'll have several video games and game systems for you to play. Snacks will also be provided. Please register by calling 755-0710 or stopping by the Information Desk.

Chess Club

Jan 4,11,18,25 | 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.

10th Annual Winter Readfest

Jan 14-Feb 28

Adults

Take a reading adventure from January 14th through February 28th and have a chance to win prizes! Pick up a game sheet at the library and you're good to go. Join the reading program for everyone over the age of 18. Prizes include eReaders, audio readers, gift cards, family memberships and more. Cosponsors: Friends of the Library and Library Endowment Trust.

V-SIFT: Scrapbooks

Jan 17 | Thur | 4-5p

Teens

Bring your own photos and make mini scrapbooks out of paper bags! Materials and snacks will be provided. Please register by calling 755-0710 or stopping by the Information Desk.

Internet Basics for Adults

Jan 17 | 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.

Knitty Committee

Jan 26 | Sat | 10a-Noon
All ages

Interested in knitting or learning how to knit? Join the Knitty Committee on the 4th Saturday at 10am. Bring your yarn and join the fun! The recommended yarn for beginners is "variegated worsted weight" and size 7 or 8 needles.

Book Discussion Group

Jan 28 | Mon | 3-4p
All ages

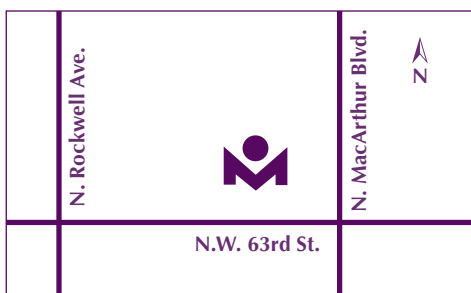
We always have a lot to say at our library's book discussion. Come and join us on Monday Jan 28 as we discuss our latest pick. Copies of the title to be discussed are available at the Information Desk, or we can reserve you one if you call 55-0710. See you then!

Warr Acres Library

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

HOURS

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



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

Read For Prizes: Question and Answer Time

Jan 2 | Wed | 10a-4p
Ages 6 to 11 year-olds

Children who read a book from our book list (available at the Info Desk) and answer questions correctly will receive prizes. Schedule five minutes for Q&A time on Wednesday, January 2. Each correct answer gives the child

a point to spend on prizes. Children select their prizes at the end of their Q&A session. Schedule your five minutes, receive help selecting a book and learn how to earn extra points at the Information Desk.

LEGO Club @ Your Library

Jan 5 | Sat | 2:30-3:30p
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.

Playtime for Babies and Tots

Jan 9,16,23,30 | Wed | 9:15-10a
and 10:30-11:15a

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. Choose one of two sessions: 9:15-10:00 a.m. or 10:30-11:15 a.m. (Siblings are welcome) Preregister at 721-2616.

10th Annual Winter Readfest

Jan 14-Feb 28

Adults over age 18

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Warr Acres Book Club

Jan 14 | Mon | 11a-Noon
Adults

The Warr Acres Book Club meets the second Monday of each month. We will discuss Eowyn Ivey's first novel, *The Snow Child*.

Story Time for Preschoolers

Jan 15,29 | Tue | 10-10:30a

Ages 2 1/2 to 3 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.

Story Time for Preschoolers

Jan 15,29 | 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.

Game Night

Jan 17 | Thur | 6:30-8p
Ages 12-17

Transport yourself into the virtual game world! Show your skills with Super Smash Brothers Brawl and other popular video games.

Gamefest

Jan 19 | Sat | 2-3:30p
Ages 8-11

Middle graders join the party! Saturday is just for you. Play Wii, X-box and Play Station games. Snacks will be served.

Snakes with Larry Daniels

Jan 24 | Thur | 6:30-8p
All ages

Yikes! Larry Daniels from the Oklahoma Herpetological Society is bringing live snakes to the library! He will instruct us about keeping snakes as pets and other important information.

Pajama Story Time for Preschoolers

Jan 31 | Thur | 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.

Wright Library

2101 Exchange, OKC
(405) 235-5035

HOURS

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



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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

Jan 8,10,15,17,22,24,29,31

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

Jan 23,28,30

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

Jan 23,28,30

Adults

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

Midwest City Library

Tuesdays & Thursdays | 5:30-7:30p

Jan 22,24,29,31

Adults

Call 682-7873 to register. Cosponsor: OCCC

Warr Acres Library

Mondays & Wednesdays | 6-8:30p

Jan 23,28,30

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

Jan 7,9,14,16,23,28,30 | 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

Jan 22,24,29,31 | Tue & Thur | 5:30-8:30p

Adults

Register by calling 682-7873. Cosponsor: OCCC

Midwest City Library

Jan 23,28,30 | Mon & Wed | 6-8:30p

Adults

Register by calling 682-7873. Cosponsor: OCCC

Northwest Library

Jan 22,24,29,31 | 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

Jan 2,9,16,23,30 | 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.

Bethany Library
Developmental Screenings
Jan 4 | Fri | 9a-Noon
Ages birth to 5 years w/guardian

Del City Library
Developmental Screenings
Jan 28 | Mon | 9a-Noon
Birth-5 years w/parent

Edmond Library
Child Development Screenings
Jan 23 | Wed | 1-5p
Birth to 5 years w/parent

Northwest Library
Child Development Screenings
Jan 24 | Thur | 9a-Noon
Birth to 5 years w/parent

Southern Oaks Library
Child Guidance Screenings
Jan 23 | Wed | 12:30-4:30p
Birth to age 5 w/parent

Warr Acres Library
Child Guidance Screenings
Jan 23 | 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
Jan 7,10,14,17,24,28,31 | Mon & Thur | 2-3p
Adults

Wellness

Midwest City Library
Total Wellness
Jan 16,23,30 | 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
Jan 23,30 | 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
Jan 28 | 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.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Libraries Closed	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Libraries Closed	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Off the Beaten Path

... Discovering New Literary Treasures

Manchester, William and Paul Reid. *The Last Lion: Winston Spencer Churchill: Defender of the Realm, 1940–1965*.
941.082092/C563m/BIOGRAPHY

The last book of William Manchester's epic three-volume biography of Winston Churchill is now in print. It's taken 25 years to tell the whole story. It also took two writers—Reid finished the task after Manchester's death in 2004. His notes were in place and some writing was done when he turned the job over to journalist Paul Reid. But the story is all Churchill during the most intense years of the 20th Century. You can't go wrong with this one.

Von Drehle, Dave. *Rise To Greatness: Abraham Lincoln and America's Most Perilous Year*.
973.7092/L736vo/BIOGRAPHY

It's long been agreed by Civil War historians and hobbyists that 1893 was the war's pivotal year, but popular historian Von Drehle makes a strong case for 1862. You may not have a horse in that race, but even if you don't know enough about the conflict to have an opinion, this book will fascinate and answer many of your questions about Lincoln as war president.



We're here to serve you.

MLS LIBRARIES – OPEN SUNDAYS

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BELLE ISLE 5501 N. Villa, OKC, 843-9601	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
BETHANY 3510 N. Mueller, Bethany, 789-8363	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
CAPITOL HILL 334 S.W. 26th, OKC, 634-6308	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
CHOCTAW 2525 Muzzy Street, Choctaw, 390-8418	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
DEL CITY 4509 S.E. 15th, Del City, 672-1377	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
DOWNTOWN 300 Park Ave., OKC, 231-8650	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
EDMOND 10 S. Boulevard, Edmond, 341-9282	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
MIDWEST CITY 8143 E. Reno, MWC, 732-4828	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
NORTHWEST 5600 NW 122nd, OKC, 606-3580	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
RALPH ELLISON 2000 N.E. 23rd, OKC, 424-1437	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
SOUTHERN OAKS 6900 S. Walker, OKC 631-4468	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
THE VILLAGE 10307 N. Pennsylvania Avenue, The Village, 755-0710	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
WARR ACRES 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*

	M	T	W	TH	F	S	S
*HARRAH 1930 N. Church Avenue, Harrah, 454-2001	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9-5	9-5	—
*JONES 111 E. Main, Jones, 399-5471	—	9:30-5	—	9:30-5	—	9-5	—
*LUTHER 310 N.E. 3rd, Luther, 277-9967	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9-5	9-5	—
*NICOMA PARK 2240 Overholser, Nicoma Park, 769-9452	—	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9-5	9-5	—
*WRIGHT 2101 Exchange, OKC, 235-5035	—	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9-5	9-5	—

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