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Stephen King once told the story of his aunt breaking into tears when she heard that Maine historical novelist Kenneth Roberts had died because there would be no more books like *Northwest Passage*.

A lot of readers felt that same heightened emotion last month when speculative fiction great Ray Bradbury died at age 91. A die-hard supporter of libraries and the author of *Fahrenheit 451*, set in a dystopian future in which books are illegal, Bradbury told an interviewer how the public library changed his life.

“When I graduated from high school in 1938, I began going to the library three nights a week . . . I discovered that the library is the real school.”

School is still—and always will be—in session.

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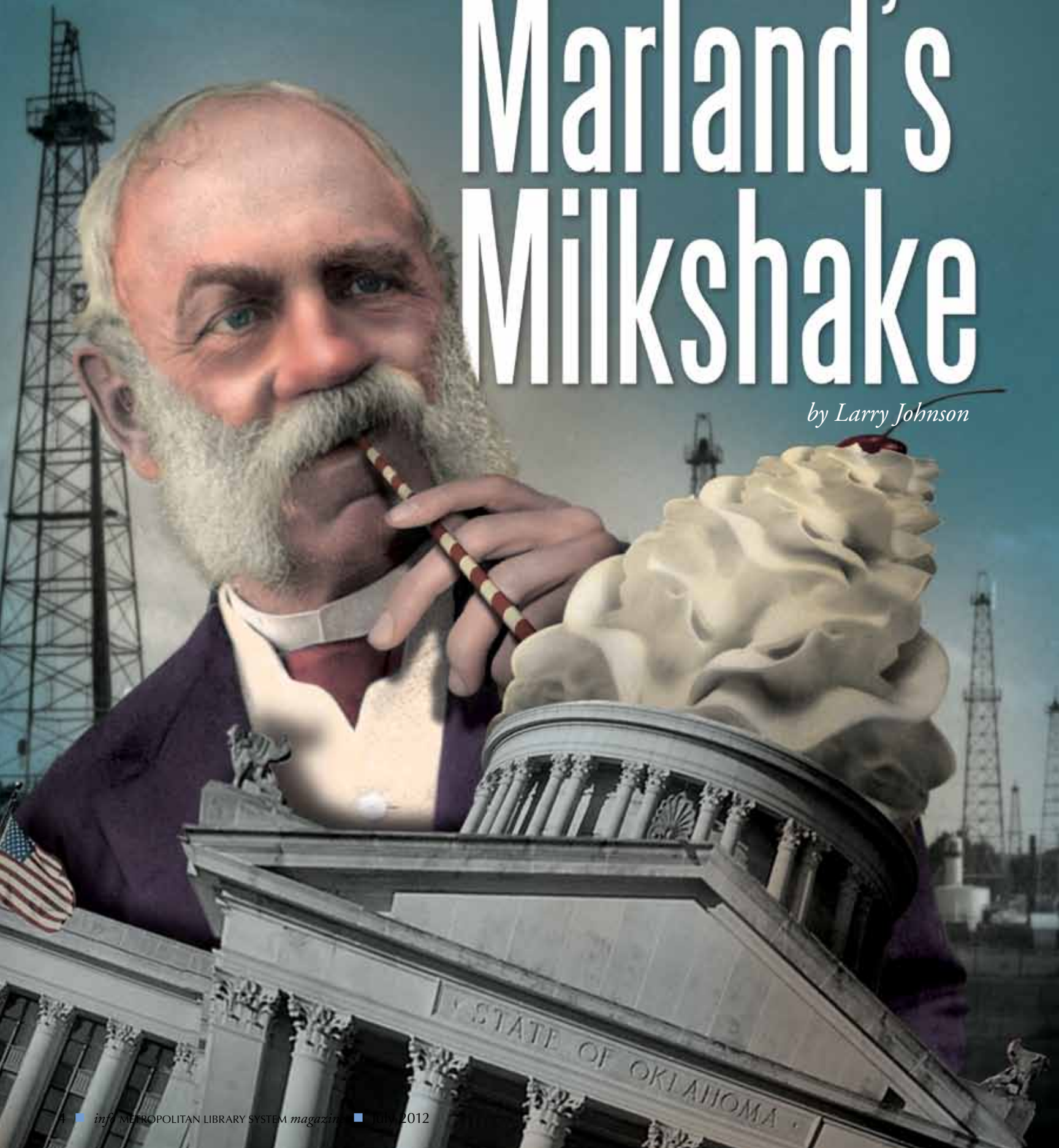
In July, MLS will launch a series of impact videos on our website called *Share Your Story*. This series will feature interviews with people about their most significant library experiences. Ready to *Share Your Story*?



Oklahoma Images

Marland's Milkshake

by Larry Johnson





Ernest Whitworth Marland was an oil and gas attorney in his native Pittsburgh who made a fortune when he realized he had a knack for finding oil in western Pennsylvania, the first major oil-producing region in America. He lost it all in the Panic of 1907 (one with many similarities to our own panic 100 years later) then came to Oklahoma to make a fresh start.

Though he had no formal training as a geologist, Marland displayed incredible acumen at finding the black stuff and his derricks could be found all across the Southwest and California and eventually 17 nations. Built on the premise of aggressive growth, within a decade his Marland Oil Company, headquartered in Ponca City, had become so successful it was the largest independent oil company in the country and he easily surpassed his previous personal fortune.

He also drew the attention of two of the major oil companies (later called the Seven Sisters, though only four remain now) – John D. Rockefeller’s Standard Oil and Royal Dutch Shell – and banker J. P. Morgan. In those days, as now, the majors were not an open club; an independent eventually either collapsed under its own weight or was subsumed by a major.

Ultimately, Morgan took an empty company he owned called Continental Oil Company and merged it with Marland Oil with the promise of open financial taps to feed Marland’s expansion programs. In actuality he pumped it full of debt. Morgan soon took control of the company and began passing Marland oil to Standard. By 1930 E. W. Marland



was out and Conoco was born – all that remained of Marland was the familiar red triangle logo.

After losing everything, Marland became a convert to the New Deal. He made a successful bid for Congress in 1932 and two years later became Oklahoma’s tenth governor. Unfortunately for Marland, even though Oklahoma voters were in favor of the New Deal, the legislature was not and his term was marked by great political strife. His most notable battle, however, was not over bigger government but oil drilling rights on state property in Oklahoma City. At first drilling was banned in city limits, but drilling slowly crept north along the city’s east side. Marland declared a military zone around the capitol district to prevent drilling but the wildcatters pressed as close to the boundary as possible.

Marland knew the oil business and

he realized that his former colleagues were – as Daniel Plainview would say in the movie *There Will Be Blood* – drinking Oklahoma’s milkshake by draining the oil from under state property and the public was not earning a nickel from it. So Marland struck a deal in the spring of 1936 and before he knew it a gusher came in 100 feet from his bedroom window in the governor’s mansion. Not long after



that Phillips Petroleum drilled #1 Petunia in – you guessed it – a flower bed on the capitol lawn.

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.



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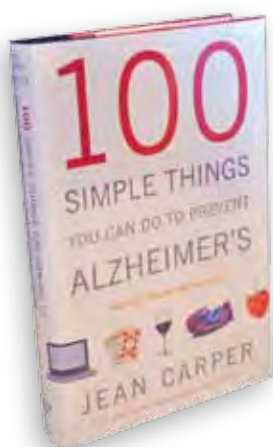
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100 Simple Things You Can Do To Prevent Alzheimer's and Age-Related Memory Loss

by Jean Carper

reviewed by Phyllis Davidson



You may remember that there is no cure for Alzheimer's disease, and your chance of getting it may be increased if you carry certain inherited genes. Still, the author of this book has discovered 100 simple, scientifically-tested ways that have shown great promise in avoiding or delaying the onset of this dreaded disease. She has written an easy-to-read book in which each of the 100 short chapters cites research evidence about one step a person can take to help ensure he or she will be a clear thinker for life.

Does exercise have any effect on brain health? Can anesthesia accelerate the onset of Alzheimer's? Should you take supplements containing copper and iron? Will drinking juice help juice up your brain? Which leisure activity is most apt to turn your brain toward Alzheimer's (most of us watch it every day)? Is there

any value in video games? How much soybean oil do we dare to consume? These are just a few of the questions that are answered in this book.

I found this book to be somewhat frightening, but it also made me feel empowered to make a number of simple changes in my lifestyle that might help me avoid or delay dementia or Alzheimer's disease. The best part is that many of these changes will actually be pleasant.

This title is also available as an Adobe EPUB eBook, as a Kindle download, and in large print.

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

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ON THE SHELF

The Postman Always Rings Twice

by James M. Cain

reviewed by Doug Bentin



In 1927, a corset salesman named Judd Gray and his lover Ruth Snyder murdered Snyder's husband. The crime was sordid and inept—Damon Runyon, covering the trial for a newspaper, called it “The Dumb-Bell Murder Case”—but it caught the nation's attention and inspired several novels, movies, and even a play.

Journalist James M. Cain used the affair as inspiration for his first novel, *The Postman Always Rings Twice*, in 1934. Cain adopted the hard-boiled prose and lack of sentimentality of Hemingway and pulp magazine crime writers to create what many consider the first great roman noir, a style that exposes the underbelly of the American Dream and has the courage to admit that some people, try as they might in all the right and wrong ways, are just born losers.

In the novel, Frank meets Cora at the California gas station/grill owned by her Greek husband. Lust ensues and soon poor Nick Papadakis is the victim of a staged car accident. Then the killers discover that there's one major problem with committing murder with a partner—the partner.

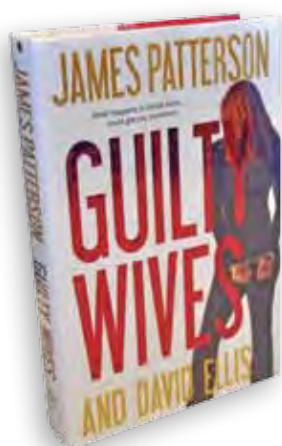
Depression era readers embraced the book for its dark vision of busted luck and love gone wrong and in 1998 The Modern Library honored it as one of the 100 best novels of the 20th Century. Take a look.

This title is also available as an Adobe EPUB eBook, an OverDrive WMA Audiobook, and as a Kindle download.

Doug Bentin edits and writes in info magazine.



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ON THE SHELF



Guilty Wives

by James Patterson and David Ellis

Four women from Bern, Switzerland travel to Monte Carlo's lavish Hotel Metropole for a fun and frivolous weekend. Abbie Elliot, married to Jeffrey, narrates the story. Abbie's companions include the athletic Serena Schofield, who once placed fifth in the downhill skiing race in Lillehammer. Bryah Gordon, the youngest at 31, is the smart one, with her encyclopedic knowledge of topics large and trivial. Wealthy Winnie Brookes, "the exotic Brit" is the one with whom Abbie has the strongest friendship.

The first night of their adventure the ladies dress in their finery and go to Le Grand Casino to gamble and party. The second night they go to a fancy restaurant, where they drink too much champagne. Abbie meets handsome movie star, Damon Kodiak, and has an overnight fling with him. She doesn't feel that guilty, because her husband cheated on her first. Serena

picks up Luc, a race-car driver, and Winnie is with a well-dressed man she calls Devo. All four of the women are married, and all are guilty of indulging in sex with men not their husbands.

James Patterson is a master at ratcheting up the suspense, as a "girls' weekend" quickly turns dark and ends up with charges of murder and terrorism. But, in this case, does "the punishment" fit the crime? It is left to the reader to decide.

This title is also available from MLS as a compact disc audiobook, a Playaway audiobook, an OverDrive WMA Audiobook, and in large print.

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.

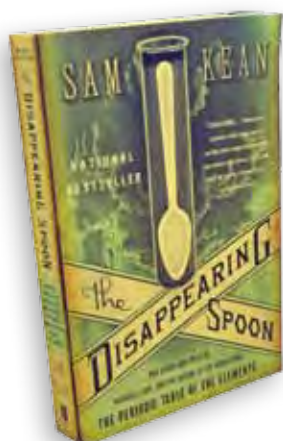
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ON THE SHELF

The Disappearing Spoon

by Sam Kean

In high school, I found chemistry fascinating, but mostly incomprehensible. Luckily, *The Disappearing Spoon* is really not about the technical nature of chemistry, but instead about the evolution of the science – who discovered what, when they figured this stuff out, how it all came to be (especially as the periodic table grew), and why there is still a lot left to learn.

Did you know that for many years in the 1800's aluminum was more precious than gold? Or that in the early 1900's people drank water infused with radium, an element more radioactive than uranium? I'd like to feel smug about how smart we are now and how ignorant people used to be, but there's no doubt that we are likewise unwittingly doing ourselves harm



in some other way.

In many ways, the book reads like a Bill Bryson book in its examination of the personalities in history who toiled, many times at cross purposes, to uncover the inner-workings of the elements. If nothing else, you'll be reminded why we don't play with those fun balls of mercury when the thermometer breaks or with those interesting, pliable sheets of lead we run across in grandpa's old garage.

This title is also available as a compact disc audiobook.

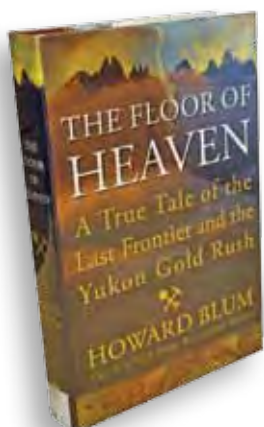
Lloyd Lovely is the MLS Deputy Executive Director for Finance and Support, which makes him feel important. Please don't tell him the truth.



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ON THE SHELF

The Floor of Heaven: A True Tale of the Last Frontier and the Yukon Gold Rush by Howard Blum



Remember the film *Crash*? It won an Oscar in 2004 for Best Picture. That film stayed in my mind for a long time, not particularly for the plot, but for the way it wove the storylines of a group of individuals whose lives eventually intersected for better or worse.

The lives of three real Western characters are dealt with in a similar fashion in Howard Blum's new book. *The Floor of Heaven* tells the tale of a cowboy detective from Texas, a Colorado gambler, and a California sheep herder, each of whom makes a journey to Alaska. In the end, one man will meet his Maker, another will make his fortune, and the third will refer to the experience as just another in a series of adventures.

Charlie Siringo is a cowboy turned merchant turned Pinkerton Detective. The tragic loss of his young bride sets him on the path to Alaska, tracking down the thieves of a daring gold heist. Soapy Smith escapes to

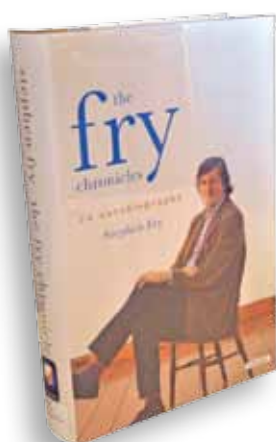
Alaska after losing the criminal empire he built from scratch in Denver – he must find a new place to run his cons. And George Carmack aims to finish what his father started – discover gold and live out the rest of his days as a wealthy man.

In a note at the back of the book, Blum admits that he wanted to tell an engaging tale “that contained both high drama and a perplexing mystery.” He did so by utilizing a narrative flow that didn't get bogged down in historical attributions. I was mesmerized by the details, relationships, trials and hardships. I think you'll be, too.

With her sharply-honed 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.

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ON THE SHELF

The Fry Chronicles by Stephen Fry



Stephen Fry has been called a British National Treasure and so he is to all those who have laughed their way through *A Bit Of Fry And Laurie*, and *Jeeves and Wooster* on PBS or Netflix, not to mention his contribution as MC of the Golden Globe Awards. In this second memoir and sequel to *Moab Is My Washpot*, Fry picks up the story in his college years at Cambridge where he met his greatest chums Hugh Laurie, Emma Thompson and Rowan Atkinson. He speaks of their collaboration in the Cambridge Footlights theatre company and at The Edinburgh Fringe with admiration and fondness.

Fry is refreshingly honest about his struggle with bipolar disorder, his ruthless conscience depriving him

of true happiness, as well as his feelings of inadequacy regarding his physicality or lack of it. In comparing himself to Laurie, his partner in his most well known TV programs, he says: “Hugh had music where I had none. He had an ability to be likeably daft and clownish. He moved, tumbled and leapt like an athlete. He had authority, presence and dignity.”

Fry may not have the same talents as Laurie but he clearly has a gift with words that has found a great medium in *The Fry Chronicles* which his fans will thoroughly enjoy reading.

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



SUMMER

IT'S NOT JUST FOR KIDS

O kay, we admit it—we talk a lot in *Info* magazine about our Summer Reading programs for kids and teens. Doggone it, they're great programs and every year they seem to grow more popular.

But let's take a few minutes to talk about some of the MLS July programming events for adults. We've got them. We've got *lots* of them.

Always useful are our computer intro classes. Downtown Library is presenting "Computer Basics" to teach navigation and such common uses for computers and software as web browsing, Microsoft Word, Excel and basic computer security. The Village Library is offering an "Introduction to Word 2007." Attendees will learn how to create, save and print letters and other documents.

Folks with a business bent will get a lot of benefit from Belle Isle Library's "Service Core of Retired Executives (SCORE) Counseling" session, and the return of the "Build Your Own Business" presentation co-sponsored by SCORE and SBA at the Del City Library.

If you're ready to take the first steps toward getting in shape you might want to check out "Tai Chi: Moving for Better Balance Class" at Choctaw Library. Tai Chi is a low-impact dance-like exercise that can be done in almost any location. It'll help with improved posture, flexibility, mental and

physical health, cardiovascular conditions, and sleep and stress reduction. The program is co-sponsored by the Oklahoma City-County Health Department.

New parents and caregivers might want to check out "Circle of Parents: Parental Support Group," a series of sessions meeting at several of our locations. It's a parent-led self-help group where parents and caregivers share ideas, celebrate successes and address challenges, and it's facilitated by a Child Development Specialist from Child Guidance, OKC-County Health Department.

If your favorite use for the library is still finding good books to read, your best bet would be to visit one of the many book clubs that are located around the system. Warr Acres, Southern Oaks, Edmond and Midwest City libraries all sponsor book clubs for adults. If you're beginning to develop an interest in E-books, Midwest City's "E-Books 101" will further whet your appetite.

And seniors, Edmond Library is continuing its "55+ Coffee Break" program. Enjoy a cup of coffee, tea or hot chocolate, light refreshments, and good conversation with people who share your interests.

Take a visual stroll through the pages of our monthly calendar to find out the dates and times of programs taking place at the MLS libraries near you in July.

After all, summer's not just for kids, you know.



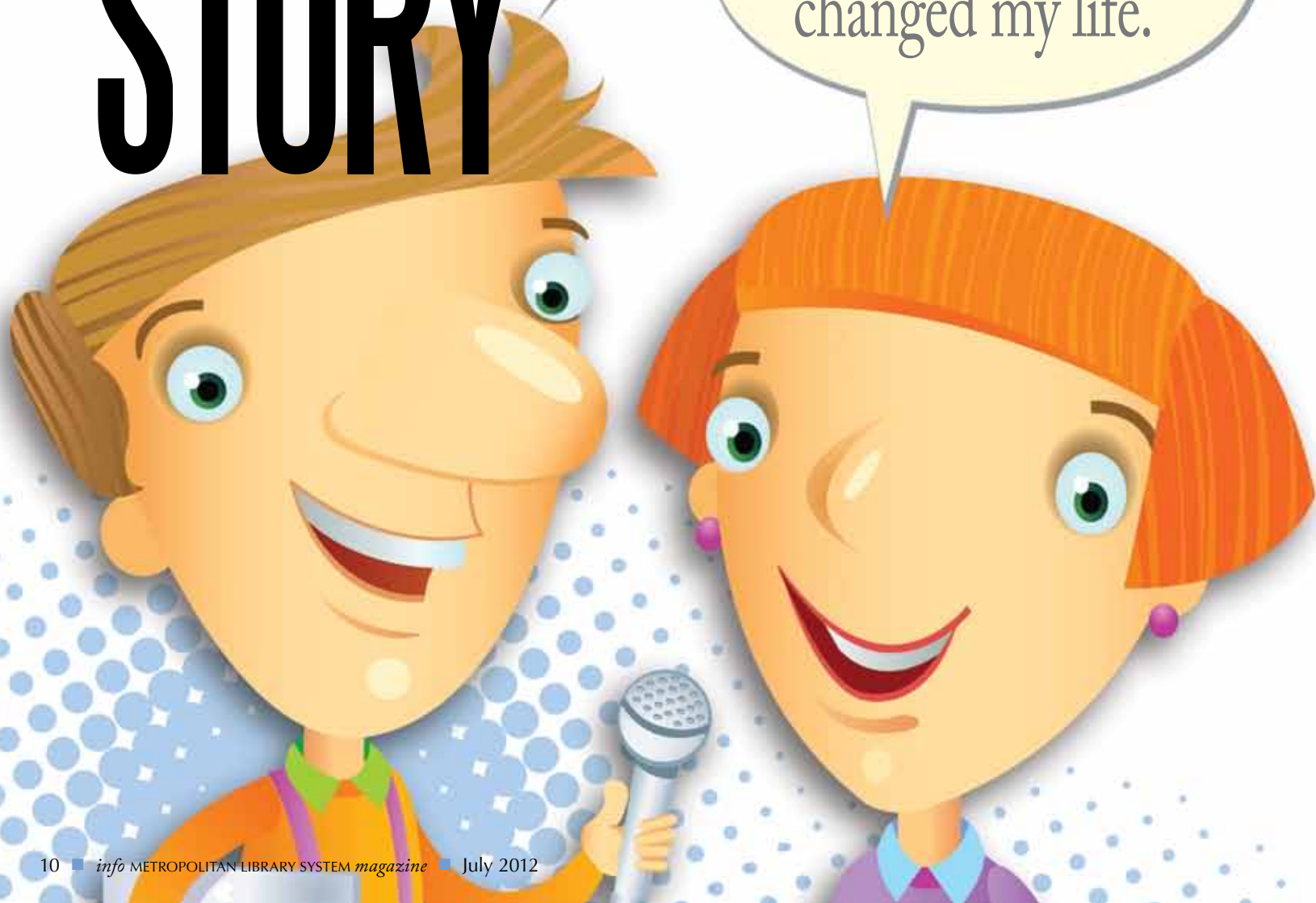


SHARE YOUR STORY

“Hi. My name
is Jane Doe ...”

Hi, Jane.

“... and the library
changed my life.”





It's an admission that tens of thousands of Oklahomans could make. Maybe even you . . . ?

Maybe as a child you asked a librarian for a good book and you were introduced to a subject that led to a life-long interest. Maybe a librarian asked you to become a volunteer and now you share your joy of reading with others. Or maybe your grandparents never learned to read and your mother brought you to the library every week so you could develop your skills.

"Those are the kinds of stories we heard when we visited the Northwest Library not long ago," said Siobhan Morava, the MLS Development Coordinator for Community Organizations.

MLS will soon be launching a series of impact videos on our website. Siobhan and Video Editor Chris Larwig are visiting library locations around the county to interview people about their most significant library experiences. The series will be called *Share Your Story*.

"Many people don't fully realize how much of the library story they are," Siobhan said. *Share Your Story* is an advocacy idea for promoting the

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"It's like that story from Northwest,

about the grandparents who couldn't read, or the artist who told us that he had a learning disability as a kid but he used the library to help overcome it.

"We want people to tell us about the special connections they share with a library, and we can then pass the word along."

Not content with just using stats and charts to relay basic library data, *Share Your Story* emphasizes the emotional rewards that bind libraries to the people who use them.

"In addition to the recording sessions we conducted at Northwest Library during the Grand Opening, we've also interviewed people at the Bethany Library, and we have another session scheduled soon. But we're eager to set up a recording time with anyone who has a story to tell."

Ready to *Share Your Story*? Give Siobhan a call at (405) 606-3768 and if she's away from her desk she'll get in touch with you. You can also visit the website, which is a work in progress, at www.metrolibrary.org/stories.

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

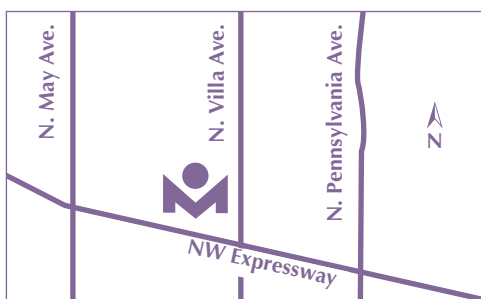
All MLS Libraries will be closed Wednesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

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



Neighborhood Arts Presents:

"Let's Get Moving with Spaghetti Eddie"

Jul 5 | Thur | 7-7:45p

All ages



The musical duo known as Spaghetti Eddie will be playing songs that will be sure to have your kids moving, shaking, learning, and singing along! We hope you come out and have some fun! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, and National Endowment for the Arts.

Service Core of Retired Executives

(SCORE) Counseling

Jul 7, 21 | 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 Reference desk for an appt. Cosponsor: Service Core of Retired Executives (SCORE).

All About Snakes: Snakes in the Library

Jul 10 | Tue | 6:30-8p

Ages 5 and older

Learn about snakes and having a snake as a pet with Larry Daniel of the Oklahoma City Herpetological Society. You'll have a chance to touch and examine some real-life snakes and learn more about them. Sign up at reference desk for this free event.



T-Shirt Jewelry

Jul 12 | Thur | 2-3p

Teens

Turn those raggedy old t-shirts into your own necklaces, scarves, and bracelets. Learn to cut, stretch and assemble t-shirts into one-of-a-kind pieces of jewelry and wearable art. Bring your own old t-shirt if you can! Supplies will be provided. Pre-register.



Neighborhood Arts Presents:

Cimarron Opera - "Jack and the Beanstalk"

Jul 12 | Thur | 7-7:45p

All ages

Music by Sir Arthur Sullivan, Libretto by John Davies. A retelling of this well-known fable using the music from Gilbert and Sullivan's lively operettas finds Jack selling his mothers cow to a mysterious dustman for some magic beans. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Metro OKC Knit Guild Group Meeting

Jul 15 | Sun | 3-5p

Teens-adults

Join a group of kindred spirits and learn something new about knitting. Everyone-beginners or knitting-wanna-bees are encouraged to attend. Each month includes an educational technique. Learn about the plethora of knitting books available at your library. Meeting is on lower level. For questions email Mschoir01@gmail.com, Melissa.ryan@tinker.af.mil or call 361-2044 or 739-5799.

Belle Isle Anime/Manga Club

Jul 16 | 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

Jul 19 | 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!



Neighborhood Arts Presents:

Chasing James -

Rhythmic Rhymes

Jul 19 | Thur | 7-7:45p

All ages

Join Lisa & Laura's musical adventure. Learn to rhyme, play your favorite instruments, and dance to the rhythms! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Light Up the Night:

Science Museum

Jul 24 | Tue | 2-3p

Teens

Science in the dark has never been so illuminating! Join us as we unlock the mystery behind the intriguing glow of chemiluminescence and kindle our inner artist with a colorful palette of light. Presented by the staff of Science Museum Oklahoma. Pre-register.



**Children's Music Festival Presents:
"Dinosaur O'Dell's Big Dream
Machine"**

Jul 26 | Thur | 7-7:45p
All ages



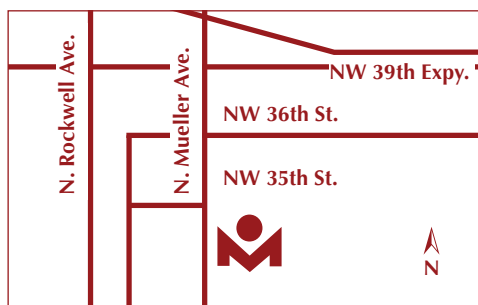
Kids will be dancing in the aisles for these performances. With an acoustic guitar, a box full of musical instruments and a wealth of stories, Dino O'Dell has been entertaining children for more than 10 years. It's a celebration of cultures; from Jamaican Reggae to Ska to British Punk to German Polka and Waltz to American Rock 'n' Roll. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Bethany Library

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

HOURS

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



**Neighborhood Arts Presents: "Let's Get
Moving with Spaghetti Eddie!"**

**Jul 3 | Tue | 9:30-10:15a
and 10:30-11:15a**
All ages



The musical duo known as Spaghetti Eddie will be playing songs that will be sure to have your kids moving, shaking, learning, and singing along! We hope you come out and have some fun! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Music With Susan

Jul 5, 19 | Thur | 10-10:30a
Ages 3-6



Join teacher Susan Wood for fun musical activities just right for the pre-kindergarten and kindergarten child. Pre-register at the library information desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

Stage Combat

Jun 5 | Tue | 7-8p
Ages 14-19



A beginner's workshop that covers the basics of hand-to-hand grappling, punching, kicks, throws, falls and grabs. The focus will be on the teamwork and safety necessary for these

techniques and practice will be under the supervision of Reduxion Theatre Company's Artistic Director and Stage Combat veteran, Tyler Woods. For teens ages 14+ only. Younger teens may observe. Pre-register.

Developmental Screenings

Jul 6 | Fri | 9a-Noon
**Ages birth to 5 years
w/guardian**



Child Guidance is offering developmental and speech/language screenings. A developmental screening is a very general look at how children are doing compared to other children the same age. Any questions or concerns you may have about your child's development or behavior will be discussed. Information about upcoming stages and home activities will be given. Screenings will include a small fee. To schedule your screening appointment, please call Child Guidance, Oklahoma City-County Health Dept.

Yu-Gi-Oh! Club

Jul 7 | 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!

**Neighborhood Arts Presents: Cimarron
Opera "Jack and the Beanstalk"**

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Summer Fun For Toddlers

Jul 12 | Thur
9:30-10:15a & 10:30-11:15a
Ages 18 mos - 3 yrs w/adult



Enjoy play time plus a story, songs and nursery rhymes. For child with adult. Choose the 9:30 or 10:30 session. Pre-register at the library information desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

Glow-in-the-Dark Juggling

Jul 12 | Thur | 7-8p
Teens



All the cool people are doing it. Juggling has had a revival in the last 40 years as a sport and an art form. It increases your coordination, confidence, and problem-solving skills. Come learn the basics from an expert and you'll be showing off to your friends in no time! Pre-register.

Glow-in-the-Dark Juggling For Kids

Jul 14 | Sat | 2-2:45p
Ages 6-11

Juggling is a great way to learn hand-eye coordination, balance and most all, have fun! Come learn the basics from an expert and you'll be showing off to your friends in no time! Join juggler Monica Buck for this class just for kids. Pre-register at the information desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

Identity Theft

Jul 17 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p
Adults

Weekie Credit Union will present a program on Identity Theft. A shredder will be given as a door prize. Refreshments will be served after the program. Cosponsor: Weokie Credit Union.

**Neighborhood Arts Presents: "Rhythmic
Rhymes by Chasing James"**

Jul 17 | Tue
9:30-10:15a & 10:30-11:15a
All ages



Join Lisa & Laura's musical adventure. Learn to rhyme, play your favorite instruments, and dance to the rhythms! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Gamefest

Jul 21 | Sat | 2-3p
Teens



Game on! Bring your friends and come play Wii, Xbox360, PS2, and Nintendo Gamecube video games like Guitar Hero, Super Smash Brothers, DDR, and more. Games are rated E, E10+, and T.

**Children's Music Festival Presents:
"Dinosaur O'Dell's Big
Dream Machine"**

Jul 24 | Tue
9:30-10:15a & 10:30-11:15a
All ages



Kids will be dancing in the aisles for these performances. With an acoustic guitar, a box full of musical instruments and a wealth of stories, Dino O'Dell has been entertaining children for more than 10 years. It's a celebration of cultures; from Jamaican Reggae to Ska to British Punk to German Polka and Waltz to American Rock 'n' Roll. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Summer Story & Craft Time

Jul 26 | Thur
10:30-10:45a
Ages 3-8



Bring your child to the library for stories and a fun craft. Pre-register at the library information desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

Capitol Hill Library334 SW 26th St., OKC
(405) 634-6308**HOURS**Mon-Thur: 9-9
Fri: 9-6Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6**Neighborhood Arts Presents:****Spaghetti Eddie****Jul 2 | Mon | 2-2:45p****All ages**

The musical duo known as Spaghetti Eddie will be playing songs that will be sure to have your kids moving, shaking, learning, and singing along! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

**Light Up the Night:
Science Museum****Jul 5 | Thur | 2-3p****Teens**

Science in the dark has never been so illuminating! Join us as we unlock the mystery behind the intriguing glow of chemiluminescence and kindle our inner artist with a colorful palette of light. Presented by the staff of Science Museum Oklahoma. Pre-register.

Neighborhood Arts Presents:**Cimarron Opera - "Jack and the Beanstalk"****Jul 9 | Mon | 2-2:45p****All ages**

Music by Sir Arthur Sullivan, Libretto by John Davies A retelling of this well-known fable using the music from Gilbert and Sullivan's lively operettas finds Jack selling his mother's cow to a mysterious dustman for some magic beans. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Tell Me A Story:**Move and Groove****Jul 10 | Tue | 9:30-10:30a****Age 6 and younger**

Children love to hear stories, and being read to is the beginning of early childhood literacy. Come hear tales from loved authors, and do some fun aerobics after!

Oklahoma Writing Project Presents:**Diary of a Writing Kid****Jul 11,18,25 | Wed | 1-3p****Grades 2-6**

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Gamefest**Jul 12 | Thur | 5:30-7:30p****Teens****Teens**

Game on! Bring your friends and come play Wii, Xbox360, PS2, and Nintendo Gamecube video games like Guitar Hero, Super Smash Brothers, DDR, and more. Games are rated E, E10+, and T.

Children Reading to Dogs**Jul 14 | Sat | 1-2p****Children who can read**

Our highly trained dog volunteers love to hear stories! Come practice your reading skills by reading to these adorable dogs! We provide the books AND the dogs. Please register at the information desk or by calling 634-6308.

Art in the Afternoon With Artist**Debbie Langston****Jul 14 | Sat | 2-4p****Ages 6 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. For more information please call 634-6308.

Neighborhood Arts presents -**"Rhythmic Rhymes with Chasing James"****Jul 16 | Mon | 2-2:45p****All ages**

Join Lisa & Laura's musical adventure. Learn to rhyme, play your favorite instruments, and dance to the rhythms!

Tell Me a Story: Parachute Play**Jul 17 | Tue | 9:30-10:30a****Ages 6 and younger**

Children love to hear stories, and being read to is the beginning of early childhood literacy. Come hear tales from loved authors, and have fun with the parachute.

Juggle Whatever! Presents Glow in the Dark Juggling**Jul 19 | Thur | 2-3p****All ages**

Come see a different kind of light show with Monica Buck's all new Juggling class. Glow in the dark juggling will light up your day! Anyone can juggle! You can also find books about juggling at your library. Come by and see what we can toss your way. Please call 634-6308 to sign up or get more info

Bilingual Story Time -**English y Español****Jul 19 | Thur | 6:30-7:15p****Age 2-6**

Kids love to hear a story! Join us for story times featuring nursery rhymes, popular children's books and beloved authors. Craft or play activity will be included. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Call 634-6308 for more information.

Computer Basics for Seniors**Jul 21 | Sat | 2-3:30p****Adults**

Join us every third Saturday at Capitol Hill for a computer class. This class includes everything from Internet Searching to Email and much more. Please register at 634-6308 as space is limited.

Children's Music Festival Presents:**"Dinosaur O'Dell's Big Dream Machine"****Jul 23 | Mon | 2-2:45p****All ages**

Kids will be dancing in the aisles for these performances. With an acoustic guitar, a box full of musical instruments and a wealth of stories, Dino O'Dell has been entertaining children for more than 10 years. It's a celebration of cultures; from Jamaican Reggae to Ska to British Punk to German Polka and Waltz to American Rock 'n' Roll. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Tell Me A Story:**Play and Learn****Jul 24 | Tue | 9:30-10:30a****Age 6 and younger**

Children love to hear stories, and being read to is the beginning of early childhood literacy. Come hear tales from loved authors, and play with toys and friends.

Own It Improv**Jul 24 | Tue | 2-4p****Grades 4-8**

Not great at planning ahead, but excellent at making people laugh? Want to learn how to act on the fly? Come to Susan Scott's Improv



Metropolitan Library System Presents

The World of Steampunk

FOR TEENS AND ADULTS:

Simple Steampunk Styles – Costuming 101
Saturday, June 23, 2pm | Midwest City Library

Steampunk Tea

LARPing and Games

Saturday, June 30, 1-3pm | Edmond Library

Airships & Groups

Sunday, July 15, 2-4pm | Midwest City Library

Steampunk Scholars

Saturday, Aug. 25, 2-4pm | Northwest Library

Steampunk Jewelry

Tuesday, Aug. 14, 4:30pm | Midwest City Library

Thursday, Aug. 30, 6pm | Choctaw Library

Thursday, Sept. 13, 4:30pm | Del City Library

Saturday, Sept. 29, 1pm | Edmond Library

Steampunk 101 Mini-Con

Saturday, Sept. 8, 11:30-3:30 | Downtown Library

Steampunk Movie Night

Thursday, Sept. 20, 6pm | Del City Library

TEENS ONLY:

Pizza and Plots Book Club for Teens Only –
Reading Leviathan by Scott Westerfeld
Wednesday, Sept. 12, 4:30pm | Choctaw Library

Teen Reads Book Club for Teens Only –
Reading Steampunk!: An Anthology of
Fantastically Rich & Strange Stories
Tuesday, Sept. 18, 4:30pm | Del City Library

Anime Club

A special meeting with a costume contest,
tea, and steampunk anime for Teens Only
Saturday, Sept. 22, 2:30pm | Choctaw Library

If you want even more Steampunk, check out Oklahoma's Steampunk Exposition, coming to Oklahoma City in October, 2012 (octopodicon.org)



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workshop. This is a great opportunity for you to come out of your shell, learn team building skills, conquer your fear of public speaking, have a great time and own it! Please call 634-6308 with questions and to register

Tell Me A Story: Book and Craft

Jul 31 | Tue | 9:30-10:30a
Age 6 and younger

Story time is more than reading aloud and a colorful rug. Children develop their early literacy skills in a fun, fast paced program. Join us for stories, songs, musical instruments, puppets and other activities that teach kids that learning and libraries are so much fun.



Choctaw Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6



Lapsit Storytime

Jul 3,10,17,24 | Tue
9:30-10a

Ages 6 months-3 years

Join us for simple songs, rhymes, and stories for parents and babies to enjoy together. Call 390-8418 or stop by the reference desk to sign up.



Preschool Storytime

Jul 3,10,17,24 | Tue
10:30-11a

Ages 3-5 years

Come to the library for stories, songs, finger-plays, and fun to help build early literacy skills. Please call 390-8418 or stop by the Reference Desk for more information.



Teens Only Lego Club

Jul 5 | Thur | 6-7p
Teens

TeenS Can't get enough of Legos? Come to a special Teen Only Lego Club meeting at Choctaw Library! Construction zones, building competitions/ lego car races, and door prizes await eager builders. Legos and refreshments will be provided - please leave



your personal Legos at home. Open to teens in 7th-12th grades ONLY. Younger children check out Lego Building Mania on July 6.

Lego Building Mania

Jul 6 | Fri | 10-11:30a

All Ages

Do you eat and sleep legos? Build, create, and dream with Legos at the Library. How tall can you build, how creative can you be? We provide the legos, you provide the dexterity and creativity.

Neighborhood Arts presents -

Oklahoma Children's Theatre -

"Teddy Bear's Picnic"

Jul 11 | Wed | 2-2:45p

All ages

Teddy Bear's Picnic is a play for all ages, but especially the little ones. Join Papa Bear, Mama Bear, Baby Bear & Raccoon for games, singing, rhymes, and more. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Tai Chi: Moving for Better Balance Class

Jul 11,18 | Wed | 6:15-7:15p

Older Teens and Adults

Tai Chi: Moving for Better Balance is a fun class using eight-forms. Tai Chi is a low-impact dance-like exercise that can be done in almost any location. It offers benefits for all ages, including improved posture and flexibility, improved mental and physical health, improved musculoskeletal and cardiovascular conditions, improved sleep and stress reduction, to name a few. Class is free, but space is limited, so sign up by calling 390-8418, ext 3. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Dept.

Basic Drawing with Debbie Langston

Jul 12 | Thur | 9:30a-12:30p

Adults

Debbie Langston, an Artist in Residence with the State Arts Council, will show participants basics of drawing and composition. Participants will learn how to see and communicate visually using the elements of line, tone, color, and texture and a variety of drawing materials. Class enrollment limited. Preregistration required by calling 390-8418 ext 3.

Paint Those Things

Jul 12 | Thur | 2:30-4p

Teens

Tired of those old ugly shoes but they still fit you? Got a few light stains on your favorite t-shirt? Want a new, shiny look? Paint it! Glitter it! Make it glow in the dark! Bring your own items that need new life and we will provide the painting supplies. Dark colored



items will work best for the glow paints. Please pre-register by calling 390-8418 or by visiting the Information Desk.

Diary of a Writing Kid

Jul 13 | Fri | 10a-Noon

Grades 2-6

Do you enjoy a good comic, like to draw cartoons, and look forward to spending a day with friends? Diary of a Writing Kid is the event for you. Oklahoma Writing Project Teachers will take hands-on to a whole new level. Students will work with a variety of art materials, write their own storyboards, and enjoy many activities all based on the Wimpy Kid series. Limited sign-up: Please stop in and register or call 390-8418. Cosponsor: Oklahoma Writing Project.

Open Play Time

Jul 14 | 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.



Children Reading to Dogs

Jul 14 | Sat | 3-4p

Jul 18 | Wed | 10-11a

Children who can read

Come and read to a dog! (A dog and trainer certified as a therapy team by Therapy Dogs International.) Readers can come to practice and improve their reading skills. The dogs with their owners act as an uncritical, appreciative audience with excellent listening skills! Bring your own book or borrow one from us! Come by or call 390-8418 to reserve a space.



Stage Combat

Jun 14 | Thur | 6-7p

Ages 14-19

A beginner's workshop that covers the basics of hand-to-hand grappling, punching, kicks, throws, falls and grabs. The focus will be on the teamwork and safety necessary for these techniques and practice will be under the supervision of Reduxion Theatre Company's Artistic Director and Stage Combat veteran, Tyler Woods. For teens ages 14+ only. Younger teens may observe. Pre-register.



Teens

Neighborhood Arts Presents:

Cimarron Opera -

"Jack and the Beanstalk"

Jul 18 | Wed | 2-2:45p

All ages

Music by Sir Arthur Sullivan, Libretto by John Davies. A retelling of this well-known fable using the music from Gilbert and



July 2012 Thursday Noon Tunes

Downtown Library Atrium every Thursday from Noon to 1pm

July 5: Floyd Haynes' Dixieland Band

July 12: Perpetual Motion, dance & interactive dance

July 19: Strings in Stereo, music and story

July 26: DuoFisher and More, duo piano

All performances are free and open to the public.



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Sullivan's lively operettas finds Jack selling his mothers cow to a mysterious dustman for some magic beans. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Child Guidance Screenings

Jul 19 | Thur | Noon-4p

**Ages birth to 5 years
w/guardian**



Child Guidance is offering developmental and speech/language screenings @ the libraries once again! A developmental screening is a very general look at how children are doing compared to other children the same age. At a screening appointment, your child's developmental progress will be assessed. Any questions or concerns you may have about your child's development or behavior will be discussed. Information about upcoming stages and home activities will be given. Screenings will include a small fee. Parents of young children can schedule your screening appointment, please call Child Guidance @ 405-425-4412. Cosponsor: OCCHD.

Duct Tape Craft Night

Jul 19 | Thur | 6-7:30p

Teens

Own the night by learning how to make glow in the dark duct tape wallets and rose rings at the Choctaw Library! Resources for more projects will be provided. Sign up at the reference desk or call 390-8418.



Build Your Own Business

Jul 24 | Tue | 6-7:30p

Adults

Explore the options of being your own boss with SCORE, the Service Corps of Retired Executives. They will discuss essential questions about the process and the planning necessary to be a small business owner. Participants will learn about business plans, business structures, taxes, loans and much more. Cosponsor: SCORE and Small Business Administration.

Children's Music Festival presents: Aaron Nigel Smith from "Between the Lions"

Jul 25 | Wed | 2-2:45p

All ages

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Gamefest

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Teens

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Ookami Anime Club

Jul 28 | Sat | 2:30-4p

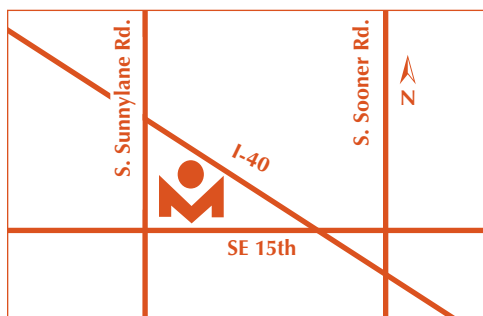
Teens

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.



Teens



Del City Library4509 S.E. 15th, Del City
(405) 672-1377**HOURS**Mon-Thur: 9-9
Fri: 9-6Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6**Circle of Parents: Parental Support Group****Jul 2,9,16,23,30 | Mon 10a-noon****Parents and Caregivers**

Sharing Ideas. Sharing Support.

A network of parent-led, self-help groups where parents and caregivers can share ideas, celebrate successes and address the challenges surrounding parenting. Anyone in a parenting role is welcome. Facilitated by a Child Development Specialist from Child Guidance, OKC-County Health Department. Cosponsor: OCCHD.

**Summer Crafts for Kids****Jul 2,9,16,23,30 | Mon | 2-3:30p****Age 8 and older**

Beat the heat with cool summer crafts! Join us every Monday afternoon this summer for a different craft project. Space is limited so please sign up. Call 672-1377 for more info. Dream Big!

Jul 2 Glow Slime

Jul 9 Personalized Pillows

Jul 16 Glow-in-the-Dark Constellation Posters

Jul 23 Shrinky Dinks

Jul 30 Personalized Pajama Shirts

Ayumu Anime Club**Jul 3 | 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.

Movie Night**Jul 5,19 | Thur | 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 672-1377 for movie titles.

Storytime**Jul 6 | Fri | 10:30-11a****Ages 3-6**

Children benefit a lot from storytimes: an increased attention span, a larger vocabulary, and better listening skills just to name a few. But, most of all storytimes are fun! So 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.

**T-Shirt Jewelry****Jul 10 | Tue | 2-3p****Teens**

Turn those raggedy old t-shirts into your own necklaces, scarves, and bracelets. Learn to cut, stretch and assemble t-shirts into one-of-a-kind pieces of jewelry and wearable art. Bring your own old t-shirt if you can! Supplies will be provided. Pre-register.

**Teens****Teen Reads Book Club****Jul 10 | 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 Variant by Robison E. Wells. Reserve a copy or stop by the Information Desk to pick up a copy of the book.

**Teens****Neighborhood Arts Presents: Oklahoma Children's Theatre - "Teddy Bear's Picnic"****Jul 11 | Wed****10:30-11:15a****All ages**

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**Hooked on Yarn Crochet Class****Jul 11,18,25 | Wed | 6-7p****All ages**

Learn the basics of crochet. 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.

Children Reading to Dogs**Jul 12,26 | Thur****6:30-7:30p****Jul 28 | Sat | 9a-Noon****Children at reading age**

Reluctant readers, emergent readers, and readers who just need more practice can sharpen their reading skills by reading to a Certified Therapy Dog and their owner. Reading to a dog is a great way to practice reading aloud; the dogs and their owners are an uncritical audience. Kids can bring their own book or choose one from our shelves. For more information please call 672-1377 or visit us at the information desk. Don't forget to read to your pet at home too!

**Read It! Movie Matinee****Jul 13 | Fri | 1-3p****Age 7 and older**

Come see the movie version of a popular or classic book. Movies are rated G or PG. For more information or to find out what movie we are showing please call 672-1377 or visit us at the reference desk.

Neighborhood Arts Presents:**Cimarron Opera - "Jack and the Beanstalk"****Jul 18 | Wed****10:30-11:15a****All ages**

Music by Sir Arthur Sullivan, Libretto by John Davies. A retelling of this well-known fable using the music from Gilbert and Sullivan's lively operettas finds Jack selling his mother's cow to a mysterious dustman for some magic beans. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

**The Busy Person's Book Club****Jul 26 | Thur | 6-7p****All ages**

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 *The House on Mango Street* by Sandra Cisneros. Call 672-1377 or stop by the reference desk to reserve your copy of this month's book selection.

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SUMMER AT THE LIBRARY 2012

NEIGHBORHOOD ARTS PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

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SCHEDULE A

June 4 – 8
Al Bostick

June 11 – 15
Sugar Free All Stars

June 18 – 22
OKC Improv

June 25 – 29
Rhythmically Speaking

July 2 – 6
Spaghetti Eddie

July 9 – 13
Cimarron Circuit

July 16 – 20
Chasing James – Lisa Curl & Laura Franklin

July 23 – 27
Children's Music Festival



Mondays:

Northwest Library
(606-3580) 10:30am

Capitol Hill Library
(634-6308) 2pm

Tuesdays:

Bethany Library
(789-8363) 9:30am;
10:30am

Downtown Library
(231-8650) 1:30pm

Wednesdays:

Wright Library
(235-5035) 10:30am
*Events held offsite at
1300 S. Penn*

Warr Acres Library
(721-2616) 2pm

Thursdays:

The Village Library
(755-0710) 2pm

Belle Isle Library
(843-9601) 7pm

Fridays:

Harrah Library
(454-2001) 10:30am
Events held offsite at 19625 NE 23rd.



SCHEDULE B

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July 16 – 20
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Mondays:

Southern Oaks Library
(631-4468) 10:30am
*Events held offsite at
6500 S. Land Ave.*

Midwest City Library
(732-4828) 7pm

Tuesdays:

Ralph Ellison Library
(424-1437) 10:30am

Luther Library
(277-9967) 2pm
*Events held offsite at
320 SE 2nd.*

Wednesdays:

Del City Library
(672-1377) 10:30am

Choctaw Library
(390-8418) 2pm

Thursdays:

Edmond Library
(341-9282) 9:30am;
10:30am

Jones Library
(399-5471) 2pm
*Events held offsite at
120 W. Atlanta*

Fridays:

Nicoma Park Library
(769-9452) 10:30am

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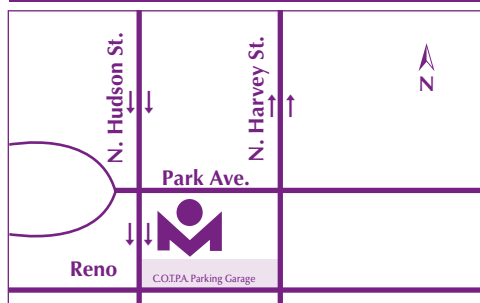
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Downtown Library

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

HOURS

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



Vampire 101: Science Museum Oklahoma

Jul 1 | Sun | 3-4p
Teens

Vampires are the rock stars of today's young adult fiction. In this hands-on exploration, we'll investigate the science behind vampire lore and use technology to experience first-hand the strengths and weaknesses of the modern-day vampire. Presented by the staff of Science Museum Oklahoma. Pre-register.



Teens

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Let's Get Moving With Spaghetti Eddie!

Jul 3 | Tue | 1:30-2:15p
All ages

The musical duo known as Spaghetti Eddie will be playing songs that will be sure to have your kids moving, shaking, learning, and singing along! We hope you come out and have some fun! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Computer Basics

Jul 3,10,17 | 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.



Noon Tunes

Jul 5,12,19,26 | Thur
Noon-1p

All ages

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

Jul 5: *Floyd Haynes*
Jul 12: *Perpetual Motion*
Jul 19: *Strings in Stereo*
Jul 26: *DuoFisher and More*



Summer at the Movies

Jul 5,12,19,26 | Thur
1-3p

All ages

Join the Downtown Library for a Family movie every Thursday during July! Seating is limited. For more information and movie titles call (405)606-3862.



ESL

Jul 7,14,21,28 | Sat | 2-4p
Adults

Join us at the Downtown Library for English as a Second Language classes, held every Saturday from 2pm to 4pm on the 4th Floor. Please register at 606.3879 as space is limited.



Zombie Apocalypse

Jul 7 | Sat | 7p
Ages 11-17

Can you survive the Zombie Apocalypse? Join the Downtown Library for a Summer Teen Lock-in, where we will play "figure out how to survive a Zombie Apocalypse". Registration is required along with parents signature, please call (405)606-3876 for more information.



Teens

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Cimarron Opera - "Jack and the Beanstalk"

Jul 10 | Tue | 1:30-2:15p
All ages

Music by Sir Arthur Sullivan, Libretto by John Davies. A retelling of this well-known fable using the music from Gilbert and Sullivan's lively operettas finds Jack selling his mother's cow to a mysterious dustman for some magic beans. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Wednesday Night at the Movies

Jul 11,18,25 | Wed | 6-8p
Age 13 and older

Join us for Downtown "Wednesday Night at the Movies!" showing @ 6pm. All are welcome to attend! Call (405) 606-3879 for movie titles.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: "Rhythmic Rhymes with Chasing James"

Jul 17 | Tue | 1:30-2:15p
All ages

Join Lisa & Laura's musical adventure. Learn to rhyme, play your favorite instruments, and dance to the rhythms! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Pajama Tales

Jul 19 | Thur | 6:30-7p
Ages 2-7 w/adult

Join us for some sleepy-time tales! Come in your jammies and bring a favorite stuffed friend!



Bookworms Book Club

Jul 21 | Sat | 2-2:45p
Age 5-8

For children just beginning to read on their own, this book club encourages and celebrates independent reading. Come for activities, reading and a quick craft! Call 231-8650 ext. 4 to register.

Children Reading to Dogs

Jul 21 | Sat | 3-4p
Children who read

Come read to a dog! Children can practice and improve their reading skills by reading to specially trained dogs and their owners who act as an uncritical, appreciative audience. They love a good dog story. Borrow one of ours or bring your own. Dogs and their owners are trained and certified through Therapy Dogs International.



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Jul 24 | Tue | 1:30-2:15p
All ages

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Advanced Farsi

Jul 1,8,15,27,29 | 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**

Jul 1,8,15,27,29 | 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.

**Total Wellness**

Jul 2,9,16,23,30 | Mon | 10-11a

Adults

Total Wellness is a 12-week program dedicated to improving your overall state of health. The facilitators are staff members from the Oklahoma City/County Health Department. Cosponsor: OCCHD.

Glow-in-the-Dark Juggling

Jul 2 | Mon | 3-4p

Teens

All the cool people are doing it. Juggling has had a revival in the last 40 years as a sport and an art form. It increases your coordination, confidence, and problem-solving skills. Come learn the basics from an expert and you'll be showing off to your friends in no time! Pre-register.

**Whoo's Out There?**

Jul 3 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a

Ages 8-11

Whether it's their amazing eyesight or their ability to fly silently through the night, owls are a real hoot! Join the Oklahoma City Zoo as we take a look into the lives of owls, read a

story, and meet a nocturnal animal. Limited to 75 children.

Chess Club for Teens

Jul 3,10,17,24,31 | Tue

6-7p

Teens

Free Chess Club for Teens meets Tuesday nights 6:00 to 7:00p. 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.

**Children Reading to Dogs**

Jul 3,17 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p

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**AARP Driver's Safety Program**

Jul 10 | Tue | 9:30a-3p

Ages 16-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 monthly auto insurance premium. The State of Oklahoma authorizes a discount lasting 3 years for any licensed driver, age 16 and older, who successfully completes a defensive driver's course. Space is limited. Please preregister, beginning June 11, at the Reference Desk or by calling 341-9282. Cost is \$12 for AARP members or \$14 for non-members, in cash or check payable to AARP, for course materials. SPECIAL PROMOTION in July and August! Fee of \$5 for anyone related to education. Includes teachers, substitute teachers, janitors, bus drivers, etc. Current, former, or retired.

Home school, public, or private. Cosponsor: AARP.

Under the Stars Creations

Jul 10 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a

Ages 6-8

Come create a starry night in broad daylight! We'll hear a tale to get you thinking about the nighttime sky, then make a glow-in-the-dark, glittering scene to go along with it. We'll even make a "telescope" to remind you to keep looking to the stars!

In Stitches: Edmond Library Needlework Group

Jul 10 | Tue | 6:30-8:30p

Adults

Do you enjoy knitting or other needlework? Develop your skills or learn a new one at the Edmond Library. You will pursue your hobbies as a group and further develop your abilities by exchanging tips with your needlework friends. Stay for just a few minutes or for the entire session. Please bring your own project and supplies. This is a self-instruction group.

55+ Coffee Break

Jul 11,18,25 | Tue | 9:30-11a

Seniors

Come to the Edmond Library for a coffee break just for you. Coffee, tea and hot chocolate are served along with light refreshments. Mingle and talk about your favorite books or activities. Browse and check out selected books during this come-and-go event.

Developmental Screenings

Jul 11 | Wed | 1-5p

Parents and child

Child Guidance is offering developmental and speech/language screenings @ the libraries once again! A developmental screening is a general look at how children are doing compared to other children the same age. At a screening appointment your child's developmental progress will be assessed. Information about upcoming stages and home activities will be given. Screenings will include a small fee. To schedule your screening appointment call Child Guidance @ 425-4412. Cosponsor: OCCHD.

**Spooky Campfire Tales**

Jul 11 | Wed | 7-7:30p

Ages 6-9

Come sit around the "campfire" and hear some spooky stories and songs. Nothing gory or scary, but very, very spooky! For ages 6-9.

CHILDREN'S MUSIC FESTIVAL 2012

Get off the couch & **ROCK OUT!**

With Aaron Nigel Smith

(from "Between the Lions")

and Dino O'Dell & the Veloci-rappers!



Dino O'Dell:

Monday, July 23 at 10:30am
Northwest Library, 5600 NW 122nd (606-3580)

Monday, July 23 at 2pm
Capitol Hill Library, 334 S.W. 16th (634-6308)

Tuesday, July 24 at 9:30 & 10:30am
Bethany Library, 3510 N. Mueller (789-8363)

Tuesday, July 24 at 1:30pm
Downtown Library, 300 Park Avenue (231-8650)

Wednesday, July 25 at 10:30am
Wright Library (235-5035)
Events held offsite at Exchange Ave. Baptist Church, 1300 S. Penn

Wednesday, July 25 at 2pm
Warr Acres Library, 5901 N.W. 63rd (721-2616)

Thursday, July 26 at 2pm
The Village Library, 10307 N. Pennsylvania
(755-0710)

Thursday, July 26 at 7pm
Belle Isle Library, 5501 N. Villa (843-9601)

Friday, July 27 at 10:30am
Harrah Library (454-2001)
Events held offsite at Harrah City Hall, 19625 NE 23rd, Harrah

Aaron Nigel Smith:

Monday, July 23 at 10:30am
Southern Oaks Library (631-4468)
Events held offsite at the OCCC Family & Community Education Center, 6500 S. Land Ave.

Monday, July 23 at 7pm
Midwest City Library, 8143 E. Reno (732-4828)

Tuesday, July 24 at 10:30am
Ralph Ellison Library, 2000 N.E. 23rd (424-1437)

Tuesday, July 24 at 2pm
Luther Library Luther (277-9967)
Events held offsite at Luther High School Auditorium, Luther Road and NE 178th

Wednesday, July 25 at 10:30am
Del City Library, 4509 S.E. 15th (672-1377)

Wednesday, July 25 at 2pm
Choctaw Library, 25235 Muzzy Street (390-8418)

Thursday, July 26 at 9:30 & 10:30am
Edmond Library, 10 S. Boulevard (341-9282)

Thursday, July 26 at 2pm
Jones Library (399-5471)
Events held offsite at Jones Community Center, 120 W. Atlanta, Jones

Friday, July 27 at 10:30am
Nicoma Park Library, 2240 Overholser, Nicoma Park (769-9452)



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All ages

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Music With Susan

Jul 13, 27 | 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 always 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

Jul 13 | Fri | 11-11:45

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

Jul 14 | Sat | 10:30a-noon

Adults

The Readers' Choice Book Club meets the second Saturday of every month at the Edmond Library. This group consists of people who enjoy reading and discussing outstanding books. For the title of July's book club selection please contact the library at 341-9282, x3 or stop by the reference desk.

Youth Environmental Club

Jul 14 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a

Ages 5-12

Our environment is very important and needs our protection. Join Edmond's Youth Environmental Club for a story and craft time devoted to caring for the environment.

Edmond Library Book Bunch

Jul 14 | Sat | 2-2:30p

Seniors

Edmond's Book Bunch discusses important and memorable fiction. July's book is *Maine* by J. Courtney Sullivan. As three generations

of Kelleher women descend on the Kelleher property one summer, each brings her own hopes and fears - four unforgettable women who have nothing in common but the fact that, like it or not, they're family. By turns wickedly funny and achingly sad, Maine unveils the sibling rivalry, alcoholism, social climbing, and Catholic guilt at the center of one family, along with the abiding, often irrational love that keeps them coming back, every summer, to Maine and to each other. Contact the library to reserve a copy.

Yu-Gi-Oh Tournament

Jul 14 | Sat | 3-4:30p

All school-aged children

Calling all experienced 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.

Musical Stories

Jul 17 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a

Ages 3-12

Spend a delightful hour listening to your favorite children's books syncopated by the engaging sounds of a string quartet. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City Philharmonic.



Miss Brown to You Presents

Woody Guthrie: a Musical Tribute

Jul 17 | Tue | 7-8p

All ages

Miss Brown to You, the talented musical duo of Louise Goldberg and Mary Reynolds, will present a musical and historical program dedicated to Woody Guthrie, in honor of his 100th birthday. This musical duo delivers a performance with passion, humor and a total commitment to the emotional power of the music they love.



Maisey, The Courageous Dog!

Jul 18 | Wed | 7-7:45p

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.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Cimarron

Opera - "Jack and the Beanstalk"

Jul 19 | Thur | 9:30-10:15a and 10:30-11:15a

All ages

Music by Sir Arthur Sullivan, Libretto by John Davies. A retelling of this well-known fable using the music from Gilbert and Sullivan's lively operettas finds Jack selling his mother's cow to a mysterious dust man for some magic beans. Cosponsors: Arts Council



of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Metropolitan Library Commission of Oklahoma County

Jul 19 | Thur | 3:30-5p

The Edmond Library

10 S. Boulevard

Edmond, OK 73034

405.341.9282

The public is welcome to attend.



Dream Boxes

Jul 23 | Mon | 3-4p

Teens

Make your own 3D dream box! Explore surrealist images through collage and assemblage as a local artist helps you create a piece of art inspired by your dreams. Supplies provided. Pre-register.



Night Magic

Jul 24 | Tue | 10:30-11:15a

Ages 4-older

Come and join the fun as Steve Crawford dazzles us with his Night Magic Extravaganza.

Pajama Campfire Story Time

Jul 25 | Wed | 7-7:30p

Ages 3-5

Put on your favorite pajamas, grab your teddy bear and head out to the library for a special evening of stories told around the "campfire".



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Nigel Smith from

"Between the Lions"

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Gamefest

Jul 30 | Mon | 3-4p

Teens

Game on! Bring your friends and come play Wii, Xbox360, PS2, and Nintendo Gamecube video games like Guitar Hero, Super Smash Brothers, DDR, and more. Games are rated E, E10+, and T.

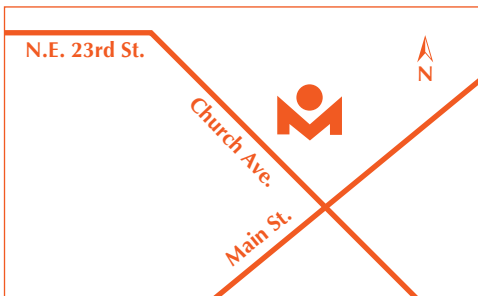


Harrah Library

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

HOURS

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



Neighborhood Arts Presents: Let's Get Moving With Spaghetti Eddie

Jul 6 | Fri
10:30-11:15a

All ages



Held at Harrah City Hall, 19625 NE 23rd. The musical duo known as Spaghetti Eddie will be playing songs that will be sure to have your kids moving, shaking, learning, and singing along! We hope you come out and have some fun! Co-sponsor: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Children Reading To Dogs

Jul 14 | Sat | 9a-noon

Children reading to dogs



Come share a story with Duke and Chewbacca, our 2 local therapy dogs. Children practice their reading skills by reading to these two lovable dogs. For more info call 454-2001.

Neighborhood arts Presents:

Cimarron Opera

"Jack and the Beanstalk"

Jul 13 | Fri
10:30-11:15a

All ages



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Neighborhood Arts Presents: "Rhythmic Rhymes with Chasing James"

Jul 20 | Fri
10:30-11:15a

All ages



Join Lisa & Laura's musical adventure. Learn to rhyme, play your favorite instruments, and dance to the rhythms! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

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Jul 27 | Fri
10:30-11:15a

All ages



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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



Neighborhood Arts Presents: OKC Improv - "Theater of Dreams"

Jul 5 | Thur | 2-2:45p

All ages



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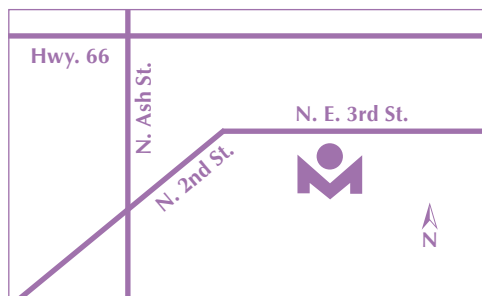
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and 10:30-11:15a

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Luther Library310 N.E. 3rd, Luther
(405) 277-9967**HOURS**Mon - Thur: 9:30-6 Fri & Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed**Coffee Break****Jul 2 | Mon | 9:30-11a****Adults**

Come by for a cup of coffee, a snack and take a look at our latest books on the shelf. We know you will find something you will want to take home with you.

Oklahoma County Triad: Keeping Our Citizens Safe**Jul 3 | Mon | 11a-Noon****Adults**

Keeping Our Citizens Safe. Don't be a victim. Come and learn what is happening in our communities and how to be safe in our homes. TRIAD gives you the opportunity to get the latest crime-prevention information direct from your local law enforcement.

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Farmer's Tea**Jul 11 | Wed | 2-4p****Adults**

Come by, have a glass of tea and take a look at the latest books on the shelves.

Quilting**Jul 16 | Mon | 10a-4p****Adults**

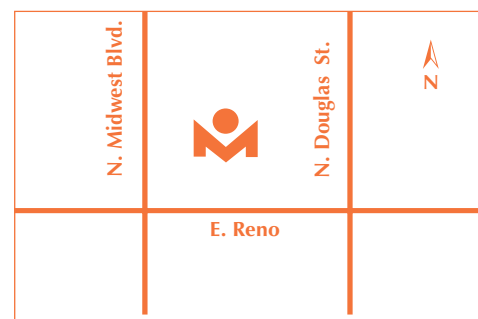
Bring your material and sewing machine and enjoy a day of quilting. If you don't know how to quilt, we will teach you.

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Midwest City Library8143 E. Reno, Midwest City
(405) 732-4828**HOURS**Mon-Thur: 9-9 Sat: 9-5
Fri: 9-6 Sun: 1-6**Soldier Creek Quilting Group****Jul 2 | 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

Preschool Storytime**Jul 2,9,16,23 | 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 and younger 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.

**Light Up the Night: Science Museum Oklahoma****Jul 2 | Mon | 2-3p****Teens**

Science in the dark has never been so illuminating! Join us as we unlock the mystery behind the intriguing glow of chemiluminescence and kindle our inner artist with a colorful palette of light. Presented by the staff of Science Museum Oklahoma. Pre-register.

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Knit Wit

Jul 3 | Tue | 10a-Noon

Adults

Learn to knit or crochet or strengthen your craft. Crochet class meets every first Tuesday of the month; knitting class meets every third Tuesday. Class is free and all supplies provided by the library. No registration required.

B Boy B Girl Yoga at the Midwest City Library

Jul 3 | Tue | 6:15-8p

Teens

The B Boy B Girl Yoga class is a five (July 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31) week course introducing Yoga as a wellness tool while incorporating Hip Hop culture. Participants learn full-body meditative movements that include Hip Hop, Yoga, Kupigana Ngumi and Tai Chi. Space is limited and registration is required. To attend, please contact the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828



Teens

Thursday Morning Movies

Jul 5, 12, 19, 26 | Thur | 10a-Noon

All ages

Join us for a different movie every week. All movies are rated G or PG. Ask at the Information Desk to find out this week's movie. Space is limited so show up early.

Neighborhood arts Presents: Oklahoma Children's Theatre

"Teddy Bear's Picnic"

Jul 9 | Mon | 7-7:45p

All ages

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Chess Club at the Midwest City Library

Jul 11 | Wed | 4:30p-5:30p

All ages

The Midwest City Library offers chess players the opportunity to play every first Wednesday of the month at 4:30 p.m. For more information, please contact the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Non-Fiction Book Club

Jul 12 | 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. U.S. & world history, science and technology, global exploration and adventure as well as political and social issue titles will be contenders for discussion. This month's selection is *Lost in Shangri-la: a true story of survival, adventure, and the most incredible rescue mission of World War II* by Mitchell Zuckoff. To sign up and receive a copy of the book, please call 405-732-4828 or visit the information desk.

City Arts Center Presents: Your Life in History

Jul 14 | Sat | 9:30a-12:30p

Adults

Everyone has a story to tell. That's why the contemporary memoir has become such a popular phenomenon. In this workshop, you will learn how to focus your life stories, give them purpose and apply such craft elements as character, plot, dialogue and setting, especially pertaining to Oklahoma history. Whether you attend one or all twelve sessions, this workshop will show you how to best tell the stories of your life. Pre-registration required. Class limit - 12. Cosponsor: City Arts Center.

Lego Robotics

Jul 16 | Mon | 1-3p

Teens

Lego Robotics is back at the Midwest City Library. To attend, please register at the



Teens

Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Space is limited. Cosponsor: OSU-OKC Extension.

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Stage Combat

Jul 16 | Mon | 7-8p

Ages 14-19



Teens

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Wizard Rock Show

Jul 17 | Tue | 6-9p

Teens and adults



Expect Patronum hits the Midwest City Library and you won't want to miss it! Lineup: the Whomping Willows, Lauren Fairweather, Paige Harwood (tentative), and Seen and Unforeseen. These YouTube and nerd rock all-stars will be singing about everybody's favorite boy wizard and other fun geeky stuff.

AAA Motor Vehicle Crash Prevention Course

Jul 21 | 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.

Yadah-Yadah Ready to Read Book Club

Jul 21 | Sat | 11a-Noon

Teens



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 405-732-4828. Cosponsor: Yadah Yadah Ready to Read.

Children's Music Festival Presents: Aaron Nigel Smith from "Between the Lions"

Jul 23 | Mon | 7-7:45p

All ages



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Lunch and Learn - What is Identity Theft?

Jul 24 | Tue | 12:30-1:30p

Adults

The Lunch and Learn Program instructs participants how to protect themselves from identity theft. This includes: dumpster diving, skimming, phishing, stealing, credit checking and what to do if you become a victim of identity theft. This program is free and available to the public. Registration is required and lunch is provided. To attend please call 405-732-4828 or contact the Information Desk. Cosponsor: Allegiance Credit Union.

Watercoloring Class

Jul 28 | Sat | 10a-noon

Adults

Adults, get in touch with your artistic side in this free watercolor class with all supplies furnished. Watercolor Artist Jim Pourtorkan will teach how to apply color and create a beautiful watercolor painting using some basic techniques. Attendees will complete a painting suitable for framing and/or gift giving during this session. This program is free. Please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Space is limited. Adults only please.

Yu-Gi-Oh Game Tournament

Jul 28 | Sat | 2-4p

Ages 10-16

Come and get your Yu-gi-oh game on every last Saturday of the month. No experience necessary.



Teens

Toddler Aerobics

Jul 30 | Mon | 10-10:30a

Ages 2-5 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



Basic Crochet

Jul 3,17 | Tue | 10a-Noon

Adults

Learn the basics of crochet. Students of all ages and skill levels are welcome. Classes are every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month from 10:00 am-noon. Yarn and hooks are provided. Come join the fun. For more information, please call 769-9452.

Children Reading to Dogs

Jul 5,19 | Thur | 4-4:45p

Ages 4 and older

Children improve their reading skills every first and third Thursday of the month from 4:00-4:45pm. D'leo and his owner are trained and certified with Therapy Dogs International. Call 769-9452 for more information.



Neighborhood Arts Presents: OKC Improv - "Theater of Dreams"

Jul 6 | Fri

10:30-11:15a

All ages

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Kid's Craft

Jul 11 | Wed | 10:30a-Noon

All ages

Join the fun as we create a telescope from paper towel rolls and other simple craft items. Please, call the library for more information and to pre-register. Space is limited. Sign up early.

Basic Knitting Class

Jul 12,26 | Thur | 1-3p

Adults

Learn basic knitting from 1:00 - 3:00 pm every second and fourth Thursday. Come join us for fun! For more information please call 769-9452.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Oklahoma Children's Theatre

"Teddy Bear's Picnic"

Jul 13 | Fri

10:30-11:15a

All ages

Teddy Bear's Picnic is a play for all ages, but especially the little ones. Join Papa Bear, Mama Bear, Baby Bear & Raccoon for games, singing, rhymes, and more. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Ladies Crafters

Jul 17 | Tue | 10a-Noon

All ages

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

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Cimarron Opera "Jack and the Beanstalk"

Jul 20 | Fri

10:30-11:15a

All ages

Music by Sir Arthur Sullivan, Libretto by John Davies. A retelling of this well-known fable using the music from Gilbert and Sullivan's lively operettas finds Jack selling his mothers cow to a mysterious dust man for some magic beans. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Children's Music Festival Presents: Aaron Nigel Smith from "Between the Lions"

Jul 27 | Fri

10:30-11:15a

All ages

Aaron Nigel Smith ("Between the Lions") has a joyful beat and multicultural pop-funk vibe infused into mellow tunes with just enough groove for little ones. Smith performs original songs and classic offerings that invite listeners to rock it out, dance along, row a boat and swim like a fish. Couch potatoes, listen at your peril! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Northwest Library

5600 NW 122nd
(405) 606-3580

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6



Neighborhood Arts Presents:

"Let's Get Moving with Spaghetti Eddie"

Jul 2 | Mon | 10:30-11:15a

All ages

The musical duo known as Spaghetti Eddie will be playing songs that will be sure to have your kids moving, shaking, learning, and singing along! We hope you come out and have some fun! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, and National Endowment for the Arts.



Play With Me

Jul 3 | Tue | 1-2p

Early childhood

Come with your young children to play time at the library followed by a brief interactive storytime. Siblings and grandparents are welcome!



Circle of Parents: Parental Support Group

Jul 5,12,19 | Thur

10a-Noon

Adults

Sharing Ideas. Sharing Support. A network of parent-led, self-help groups where parents and caregivers can share ideas, celebrate successes and address the challenges surrounding parenting. Anyone in a parenting role is welcome. Facilitated by a Child Development Specialist from Child Guidance, OKC-County Health Department. Cosponsor: OCCHD.



Neighborhood Arts Presents: Cimarron Opera "Jack and the Beanstalk"

Jul 9 | Mon

10:30-11:15a

All ages

Music by Sir Arthur Sullivan, Libretto by John



Davies. A retelling of this well-known fable using the music from Gilbert and Sullivan's lively operettas finds Jack selling his mothers cow to a mysterious dust man for some magic beans. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Storytime

Jul 10,31 | Tue | 1-2p

Early childhood

Come with your child for story time at the library. Wiggles are welcome as we will have stories, music, games, and a craft. Siblings and grandparents are welcome!



Vampire 101: Science

Museum Oklahoma

Jul 10 | Tue | 3-4p

Teens

Vampires are the rock stars of today's young adult fiction. In this hands-on exploration, we'll investigate the science behind vampire lore and use technology to experience first-hand the strengths and weaknesses of the modern-day vampire. Presented by the staff of Science Museum Oklahoma. Pre-register.



Teens

Neighborhood Arts Presents: "Rhythmic Rhymes with Chasing James"

Jul 16 | Mon

10:30-11:15a

All ages

Join Lisa & Laura's musical adventure. Learn to rhyme, play your favorite instruments, and dance to the rhythms! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Play With Me

Jul 17 | Tue | 1-2p

Early childhood

Come with your child for wiggles and giggles. We will have a different assortment of movement activities each month including parachute play, toddler aerobics, music play, or other activities to help get those wiggles out!



Stage Combat

Jul 19 | Thur | 7-8p

Ages 14-19

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Teens

Children's Music Festival Presents:
"Dinosaur O'Dell's Big Dream Machine"

Jul 23 | Mon
10:30-11:15a

All ages



Kids will be dancing in the aisles for these performances. With an acoustic guitar, a box full of musical instruments and a wealth of stories, Dino O'Dell has been entertaining children for more than 10 years. It's a celebration of cultures; from Jamaican Reggae to Skato British Punk to German Polka and Waltz to American Rock 'n' Roll. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Music Play With Miss Ginger

Jul 24 | Tue | 1-2p
Early childhood



Enjoy songs and musical games with Ginger Waldrip of Ginger's Kindermusik. Instruments will be provided for those who have registered at the NW Library.

Child Development Screenings

Jul 26 | Thur | 9-11a
Early childhood



Developmental screenings include the assessment of your young child's skills and behavior. It is a very general look at how your child is developing compared to other children the same age. At a screening appointment, your child's developmental progress will be discussed and information about upcoming stages and home activities will be given. Screenings include a small fee. To schedule your appointment, please call Child Guidance, Oklahoma City-County Health Department at 425-4412. Cosponsor: OCCHD.

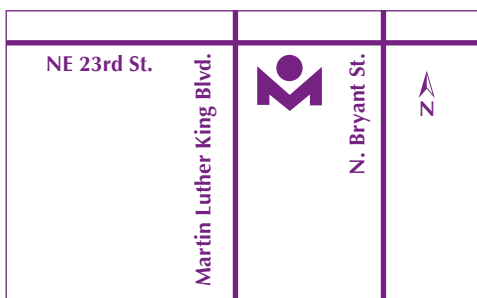
Ralph Ellison Library

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

HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-8
 Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5
 Sun: Closed



First Monday Gamefest

Jul 2 | Mon | 4-5:30p
Tweens and teens



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 11, and race some cars on Mario Kart! No sign up required.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: OKC Improv - "Theater of Dreams"

Jul 3 | Tue | 10:30-11:15a
All ages



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Board Games Tuesdays

Jul 3,10,17,24,31 | Tue | 4:30-5:30p
All ages

From the classics to the latest creations, our board games are the source of inter-generational fun! Select from our collection, or bring your own.

Neighborhood arts Presents: Oklahoma Children's Theatre "Teddy Bear's Picnic"

Jul 10 | Tue
10:30-11:15a
All ages



Teddy Bear's Picnic is a play for all ages, but especially the little ones. Join Papa Bear, Mama Bear, Baby Bear & Raccoon for games, singing,

rhymes, and more. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Glow-in-the-Dark Juggling

Jul 10 | Tue | 2-3p
Teens



All the cool people are doing it. Juggling has had a revival in the last 40 years as a sport and an art form. It increases your coordination, confidence, and problem-solving skills. Come learn the basics from an expert and you'll be showing off to your friends in no time! Pre-register.

Neighborhood Arts Presents:

Cimarron Opera "Jack and the Beanstalk"

Jul 17 | Tue
10:30-11:15a
All ages



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Block Party

Jul 24 | Tue | 3-4p
Age 1 and older



Calling all builders, architects, artists, and designers! Join kids of all ages for a fun block building party and get creative with architectural blocks, baby blocks, Legos, Lincoln Logs, Mega Bloks, and more. Sure, blocks are a blast, but did you know they also enhance kids' visual-spatial, fine motor, problem-solving, math, language, and social skills? Books about building and construction will be available for creative inspiration and to check out and enjoy at home.

Shinigami Anime Club
Jul 24 | Tue | 4-6p
Tweens and teens

If you love to read manga, watch anime, and enjoy gaming, then the Ralph Ellison Anime Club is just for you! It meets the 4th Tuesday of every month and is open to ages 11 and up due to content.



Recycled Art
Jul 24 | Tue | 6:30-8p
Age 16 and older

Do your walls need more eye-candy? Create a work of art made entirely from recycled stuff! Materials will be provided but participants are welcome to bring their own scraps and pictures to make a personalized keepsake.

Dream Big Stuffed Animal Slumber Party
Jul 25 | Wed | 9p-9a
Birth to age 10

Your favorite stuffed animal is invited to spend a night at the library! They will have the run of the library and then happily fall off to sleep to have Big Dreams. Participants will get to take home a photo showing what adventures their beloved animal enjoyed during the slumber party. You may drop off your animal from July 19-July 24. You will be able to pick him or her up after the party starting on the 26th.



T-Shirt Jewelry
Jul 26 | Thur | 2-3p
Teens

Turn those raggedy old t-shirts into your own necklaces, scarves, and bracelets. Learn to cut, stretch and assemble t-shirts into one-of-a-kind pieces of jewelry and wearable art. Bring your own old t-shirt if you can! Supplies will be provided. Pre-register.



Mother Goose on the Loose
Jul 26 | Thur | 6-6:30p
Birth to age 6

Hey, Diddle Diddle, Jack and Jill! You're invited to a play-based early literacy program filled with big time rhythm and rhyme. Developed by Betsy Diamant-Cohen and Barbara Cass-Beggs, Mother Goose on the Loose® (www.mgol.org) is an award-winning, research-based program for young children. Mother Goose on the Loose brings language and literacy to life by incorporating books, puppets, flannel pieces, musical instruments, movement, and more. We hope to see you there! (Roses are Red, Violets are Blue, Ralph Ellison Library will welcome you!)



African American Community Diabetes Prevention Partners
Jul 30 | Mon | 11:30a-12:30p
All ages

The African American Community Diabetes Prevention Partners are comprised of representatives from community agencies, businesses, government institutions, faith-based communities, as well as vested concerned citizens. By advocating for positive health outcomes within the African American Family and by increasing public awareness of Community Services/Resources, the Partners continue to effectively participate in multiple community sponsored events. Partners invite you to join the regularly scheduled monthly meeting on the last Monday of each month. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City/County Health Department.

S.O.U.P.-Open Mic Poetry Night
Jul 30 | 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. Cosponsor: Society of Urban Poets.

Southern Oaks Library

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

HOURS

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



The Southern Oaks Library is temporarily located at 2914 S.W. 59th Street while the S. Walker library is being remodeled. The remodel will last approximately one year.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: OKC Improv - "Theater of Dreams"

Jul 2 | Mon | 10:30-11:15a
All ages

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anyone, go anywhere, and do anything. Watch OKC Improv create exciting stories from audience suggestions. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Hunger Games Game Night
Jul 5 | Thur | 6:30-8:30p
Teens

Come play the hunger games board game and other games based on popular books! Cosponsor: Southern Oaks Teen Advisory Board.



Friday: Films, Family & Fun
Jul 6,13,20,27 | Fri | 9a-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.

Neighborhood arts Presents: Oklahoma Children's Theatre
"Teddy Bear's Picnic"

Jul 9 | Mon
10:30-11:15a
All ages

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Southern Oaks Book Club
Jul 10 | Tue | 11:30a-12:30p
Adults

If you enjoy reading and discussing books come to the Southern Oaks Book Club the second Tuesday of each month. Call 631-4468 to reserve your copy of the book selection or stop by the reference desk. *Book discussion at Trinity Lutheran Church, 5701 South May Ave.

Anything Can Happen Day
Jul 11,18,25 | Wed | 10:30a-Noon
For families, kids, teens

Have some fun and learn about our new improved summer reading challenge. This year you can play the summer reading game. Come sign up and you will get a gameboard to keep track of your reading. You'll learn all about this year's summer reading game and summer events for kids & teens. Sidewalk chalk, crafts, & more--join the fun!

Stage Combat**Jul 11 | Wed | 10:30-11:30a**
Kids and Teens**Teens**

Reduxion Theatre Company's Director and Stage Combat veteran, Tyler Woods will do a demonstration that covers the basics of hand-to-hand grappling, punching, kicks, throws, falls and grabs. The focus will be on the teamwork and safety necessary for these techniques and practice. Families, kids and teens may observe.

Dream Boxes**Jul 11 | Wed | 11a-Noon**
Teens**Teens**

Make your own 3D dream box! Explore Surrealist images through collage and assemblage as a local artist helps you create a piece of art inspired by your dreams. Supplies provided. Pre-register.

Children Reading to Dogs**Jul 14 | Sat | 10-11a****Jul 24 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p****For kids who can read**

A Dog in the Library? That's right, come read to a lovable dog and their owner! By sitting down next to a dog and reading to the dog, all threats of being judged are put aside. Kids will improve literacy skills in a relaxed environment that allows them to focus on reading. Reading improves because the child is practicing the skill of reading, building self-esteem, and associating reading with something pleasant. All of our dog teams are trained through HALO or Therapy Dogs International. Pre-registration is required. Please call 631-4468 to sign up.

Neighborhood Arts Presents:**Cimarron Opera "Jack and the Beanstalk"****Jul 16 | Mon****10:30-11:15a****All ages**

This program is held off site at OCCC Family & Community Ed. Ctr., 6500 S. Land Ave. Music by Sir Arthur Sullivan, Libretto by John Davies. A retelling of this well-known fable using the music from Gilbert and Sullivan's lively operettas finds Jack selling his mother's cow to a mysterious dust man for some magic beans. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Mad About Science: Science Museum Oklahoma**Jul 18 | Wed | 10:30-11:30a****For kids and Teens**

Giant blobs of foam, spewing geysers, and a fiendish bed of nails will help you channel your inner mad scientist in this eye-popping, jaw dropping blend of chemistry and physics! Cosponsor: Science Museum Oklahoma.

Game Night**Jul 19 | Thur | 6:30-8:30p**
Teens**Teens**

Come play our board games and card games or bring your own game. Cosponsor: Southern Oaks Library Teen Advisory Board.

Children's Music Festival Presents: Aaron Nigel Smith from "Between the Lions"**Jul 23 | Mon****10:30-11:15a****All ages**

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Caribbean Party**Jul 25 | Wed | 10:30a-Noon****Kids, Teens and Families**

Enjoy a Caribbean themed party to finish off a fantastic summer! Get into the Caribbean beat and enjoy the smooth sounds of the steel drums as Scott Filleman and Santa Fe South students perform and share their music with us. No sign-up necessary for this program.

The Village Library10307 N. Pennsylvania Ave., The Village
(405) 755-0710**HOURS**

Mon-Thur: 9-9

Sat: 9-5

Fri: 9-6

Sun: Closed

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Vineyard Blvd.	
N. Britton Rd.	

Neighborhood Arts Presents:**"Let's Get Moving with Spaghetti Eddie"****Jul 5 | Thur | 2-2:45p****All ages**

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singing along! We hope you come out and have some fun! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, and National Endowment for the Arts.

Children Reading to Dogs**Jul 5,12,19,26 | Thur****3:30-4:30p****Jul 11,18,25 | Wed | 6-7p****Age 6 and older**

Come and read to a dog! Readers can come to practice and improve their reading skills. The dogs with their owners act as an uncritical, appreciative audience with excellent listening skills! The dogs and their owners are certified therapy teams. Bring your own book or borrow one from us!

Stage Combat**Jul 5 | Thur | 7-8p****Ages 14-19**

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Preschool Storytime**Jul 10,17 | Tue****10-10:30a****Ages 2-5 w/parent**

Come and join us for stories, songs, and crafts related to our summer reading theme: Dream Big, Read! Please call 755-0710 to register, or stop by the Information Desk

Spaghetti Eddie!**Jul 11 | Wed | 1-2p****All ages**

The musical duo known as Spaghetti Eddie will be playing songs that will be sure to have your kids moving, shaking, learning, and singing along! Come and have some fun!

Neighborhood Arts Presents:**Cimarron Opera "Jack and the Beanstalk"****Jul 12 | Thur | 2-2:45p****All ages**

Music by Sir Arthur Sullivan, Libretto by John Davies. A retelling of this well-known fable using the music from Gilbert and Sullivan's lively operettas finds Jack selling his mother's cow to a mysterious dust man for some magic beans. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Intro to Word 2007

Jul 14 | Sat | 10-11:30a
Adults



Free computer class for adults! Learn the features of the Microsoft Word window, how to create, save and print letters and other documents, and how to print envelopes and more. Come in or call to sign-up. Village Library (405) 755-0710.

Book Discussion Group

Jul 16 | Mon | 3-4p
All ages

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.

T-Shirt Jewelry

Jul 18 | Wed | 2-3p
Teens



Teens

Turn those raggedy old t-shirts into your own necklaces, scarves, and bracelets. Learn to cut, stretch and assemble t-shirts into one-of-a-kind pieces of jewelry and wearable art. Bring your own old t-shirt if you can! Supplies will be provided. Pre-register.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: "Rhythmic Rhymes with Chasing James"

Jul 19 | Thur | 2-2:45p
All ages



Join Lisa & Laura's musical adventure. Learn to rhyme, play your favorite instruments, and dance to the rhythms! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

The Oklahoma Writer's Project Presents: "Write Like a Rockstar!"

Jul 23,24,25,26,27 | Mon-Fri | 10a-Noon
Grades 3-5

Be a part of the Oklahoma Writing Project Summer Camp! July 23 - July 27. Come learn how to strengthen your writing skills and become a Writing Rockstar. Each session will focus on one writing strategy. The last day of the camp will be a Rockstar Celebration. Class size limit: 20. Cosponsor: Oklahoma Writing Project.

Child Development Screening

Jul 24 | Tue | 1-5p
Birth - 5 yrs w/parent



Child Guidance is offering developmental and speech/language screenings @ the libraries once again! A developmental screening is a very general look at how children are doing compared to other children the same age. At a screening appointment, your child's developmental progress will be assessed. Any questions or concerns you may have about your child's development or behavior will be

discussed. Information about upcoming stages and home activities will be given. Screenings will include a small fee. To schedule your screening appointment, please call OCCHD, Child Guidance @ 425-4412.

Owl Families Craft

Jul 25 | Wed | 1-2p
Ages 5-12

Create your own owl families from recycled cardboard tubes. Cut, glue, draw and decorate to bring these mysterious, nocturnal feathered friends to life! Presented by Kiona Millirons.

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All ages



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Knitty Committee

Jul 28 | Sat | 10a-Noon
All ages

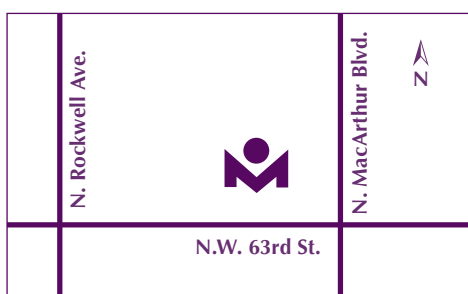
Interested in knitting or learning how to knit? Join the Knitty Committee on the 4th Saturday at 10am. Bring your yarn and join the fun! The recommended yarn for beginners is "variegated worsted weight" and size 7 or 8 needle.

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



Warr Acres Book Club

Jul 9 | Mon | 11a-Noon
Adults

Oklahoma author Sheldon Russell will be joining us for an author visit on July 9th.

Mr. Russell is the author of *Yard Dog*, and *Insane Train*. He will be discussing his third Hook Runyon novel, *Dead Man's Tunnel*. Call 721-2616 for more information.

Story Time for 2-and-3-Year-Olds

Jul 10,24 | Tue | 10-10:30a
Ages 2 1/2 - 3



Young children 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 4-and-5-Year-Olds

Jul 10,24 | Tue | 11-11:15a
Ages 4 - 5



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Play Time for Babies and Tots

Jul 11,18,25 | 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. (Siblings are welcome) Preregister at 721-2616.

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All ages



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Hands-On Fun: Math Matters

Jul 12 | Thur | 10:30-11:30a
Ages 6-11

Make an abacus of your own. Number games will be presented. Space is limited. Sign up begins 2 weeks in advance.

Origami

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



Whether simple or intricate use your creativity to make beautiful designs. Shape swans with dollar bills, or make frogs that hop. Please call to register.

Child Guidance Screenings**Jul 13 | Fri | 9a-Noon**
Birth-age 5 w/parent

A developmental screening is a very general look at how children are doing compared to other children the same age. At a screening appointment, your child's developmental progress will be assessed. Any questions or concerns you may have about your child's development or behavior will be discussed. Information about upcoming stages and home activities will be given. Screenings include a small fee based upon a sliding scale and ability to pay. Medicaid is accepted. No one is denied services for inability to pay. To schedule your screening appointment, please call Child Guidance @ 425-4412.

Pajama Story Time**Jul 17 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p**
Ages 2 1/2 - 5

Bring your preschooler and enjoy 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.

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All ages

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Hands-On Fun: Dream Big Crafts**Jul 19 | Thur | 10:30-11:30a**
Ages 6-11

Make a glow-in the dark and other dreamy crafts. Space is limited. Sign up begins two weeks in advance.

Gamefest**Jul 19 | Mon | 6:30-8p**
Teens

Game on! Bring your friends and come play Wii, Xbox360, PS2, and Nintendo Gamecube video games like Guitar Hero, Super Smash Brothers, DDR, and more. Games are rated E, E10+, and T.

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Lego Club @ Your Library**Jul 26 | Thur | 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.

Light Up the Night:**Science Museum****Jul 26 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p****Teens**

Science in the dark has never been so illuminating! Join us as we unlock the mystery behind the intriguing glow of chemiluminescence and kindle our inner artist with a colorful palette of light. Presented by the staff of Science Museum Oklahoma. Pre-register.

Wright Library2101 Exchange, OKC
(405) 235-5035**HOURS**Tue-Thur: 9:30-5:30 Mon & Sun: Closed
Fri & Sat: 9-5

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	Exchange Ave.		
	S.W. 15th St.		

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Off the Beaten Path

... Discovering New Literary Treasures

This month we take a look at two examples of vintage crime and punishment in Oklahoma, both with a July hook.

Burrough, Bryan. *Public Enemies: America's Greatest Crime Wave and the Birth of the FBI, 1933-34*. 364.973/B9721p

On July 22, 1933, oilman Charles F. Urschel was kidnapped from his home in Oklahoma City by George "Machine Gun" Kelly and Albert Bates. To illustrate how poorly planned the crime was, the kidnappers also snatched Urschel's friend Walter Jarrett because they didn't know which of the victims was which. After the masterminds checked each man's wallet for identification, they released Jarrett. The Urschel grab was only one of the infamous crimes of the early 1930s detailed in Bryan Burrough's book, the source of the disappointing film starring Johnny Depp and Christian Bale. What you missed in the movie you'll more than get from the book.

Samuelson, Nancy B. *Shoot From the Lip: The Lives, Legends and Lies of the Three Guardsmen of Oklahoma and U.S. Marshal Nix*. 363.282/SA1939s

William Matthew "Bill" Tilghman, Jr. was born on July 4, 1854. Not a native Oklahoman, Tilghman gained lasting fame here as one of the informal group of lawmen known collectively as "The Three Guardsmen"—Chris Madsen and Heck Thomas were the other two. Unfortunately for Tilghman's and Madsen's reputations, Nancy Samuelson demonstrates that their heroic exploits were not so much novel as "dime novel." She claims that Tilghman was no more honest than he had to be and Madsen was considerably less. Thomas is acquitted. He was a good man and a good lawman. It's a less glamorous view of two of the West's famous star-wearers.



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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
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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** 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

**Southern Oaks has been relocated to a temporary location at 2914 S.W. 59th due to renovations at the current location.

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*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.