

# New info

Remember that foreign language class you had to take in high school? Remember how you didn't pay attention? Wish you had? MLS can give you a hand with that as we offer language instruction in March. You can take Spanish at Capitol Hill Library, German at Choctaw Library, and even Farsi at Edmond Library. If you need some help with English as a Second Language, take a look in the Calendar of Events and see when ESL classes are being offered at Belle Isle, Edmond, Midwest City and Warr Acres libraries.

And if you've already got a pretty good grip on English, visit one of five of our libraries this month to hear the language on its best behavior in Shakespeare's Love's Labour's Lost every Saturday in March at 1:00 p.m. Southern Oaks, Downtown, Edmond, Ralph Ellison and Midwest City libraries are hosting Reduxion Theatre's new production of one of the Bard's lesser known comedies.

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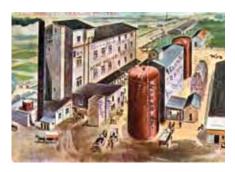
The Grammy award winning Sugar Free Allstars have stirred up waves of children's laughter for years when they played various library locations during Spring Fling and Summer Reading.

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here are only a handful of Territorial residences left in Oklahoma City these days, the most notable being the Harn and Overholser homes which have survived so long principally because they serve as museums dedicated to our pioneer past. The Goodholm Mansion is still around, though, and still serving its original purpose.



ACME Milling Company

Andrew Goodholm was born in Filipstad, Sweden in 1861 and immigrated to America in the early 1880s. He originally settled among other Swedes in Lindsborg,

Kansas before partnering with George Sohlberg and D. Lindbloom to establish the Acme Milling Company in 1894.

Acme was the largest mill in the city and distributed their "Acme", "Supreme", "Jersey Lily", "Gold Dust", "Tiger", and "Regal" flour brands as far away as the east

By 1899 Andrew Goodholm had done well enough to build this handsome two-and-a-half-story home at 211 NE 4th, just inside the fashionable new Maywood addition. It comfortably sheltered his family of seven despite having a single bathroom.

Not long after his home was constructed Goodholm won election to the city council and was active in the Chamber of Commerce. Teaming with Edwin Sparrow, he formed the Goodholm-Sparrow Real Estate Company and, while they were not major players on the scale of Classen or Nichols, they were the chief developers of the Jefferson Park neighborhood. Now a historic district,

Jefferson Park still boasts two city parks named for both men. Goodholm-Sparrow also built the Goodholm Building on the corner of Harvey and Sheridan across from the Biltmore Hotel. That building housed Miller Brothers Department store and ultimately Sears & Roebuck before being toppled to make way for the Myriad Gardens in the 1970s.

Although his legacy still remains in Oklahoma City, Andrew Goodholm left town in 1918 for Stillwater where he took over the Stillwater Milling Company and introduced its Good Home Flour brand. Meanwhile the home he built watched the neighborhood succumb to oil derricks and then urban decay, ultimately divided into about a dozen apartments. Finally, in the late 1970s the owners of Fentriss Sound purchased the house and worked with historical groups and the State Fair to move the home to the Fairgrounds to be restored and preserved

as a museum. For the next thirty years the home entertained fairgoers until renovations there once again prompted its removal. And yet the Goodholm Mansion still survives. It was purchased by Harris House Moving and moved to their property near NE 23rd and Westminster where it was converted back The Goodholm Buidling into a residence.



In our Oklahoma Images collection we're fortunate to have photos of the mansion in all three of its locations.

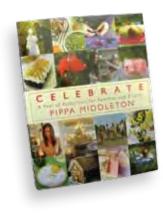
Larry "Buddy" Johnson has been with MLS since 1998. Not only a librarian at the Downtown Library, he is the brilliant mind behind the Oklahoma Images database which is a collection of pictures and essays that illustrate the history of central Oklahoma.

### **Reviews & Recommendations**



#### Celebrate: A Year of Festivities for Families and Friends by Pippa Middleton

reviewed by Marilyn Backus



Gorgeous color photographs on almost every page accompany holiday menus, recipes, and activities for all ages. You won't find any Thanksgiving ideas from the sister of the future Queen of England, but you will find plenty of English holidays that get short shrift in America. For Burn's Night, I might opt for the Scottish shortbread over the Haggis and Clapshot. But almost everything else looks yummy.

In addition to holidays, Pippa has ideas for supper parties, barbecues, picnics, camping trips, and afternoon teas. An entire chapter on children's parties features foods too cute to eat, which is why kids will surely eat them up. The decorations are simple, colorful, and affordable. Everything looks easy to make (except for the rainbow birthday cake, but it is beautiful).

Pippa uses her own experience in event planning and her family's experience in the party business to provide a "comprehensive guide to home entertaining." But she

realizes many of us will be attracted out of pure curiosity. She says, "It's a bit startling to achieve global recognition ... on account of your sister, your brother-in-law and your bottom."

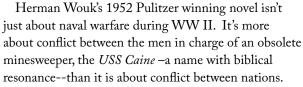
Structured around the seasonal cycle, this book has plenty of ideas for building on family traditions and creating new memories. American readers will want to try many of the traditional English dishes unfamiliar to us: fish pie, the curry banquet (ala Bridget Jones, perhaps), and the toad-in-the-hole with onion gravy. This weekend, I plan to start a memory making tradition with my grandkids, reciting poetry by Maurice Sendak. Then next Halloween, maybe we'll try some pumpkin bowling.

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



#### The Caine Mutiny by Herman Wouk

reviewed by Doug Bentin



Capt. Queeg is an unwavering disciplinarian, and his strict by-the-book style is made even more unsettling by paranoid tendencies and physical cowardice, the latter characteristic mirrored by the moral cowardice of some of the officers who eventually relieve him of duty. The courtroom episode is justly famous and served as the heart of a Broadway adaptation of the novel written by Wouk himself.

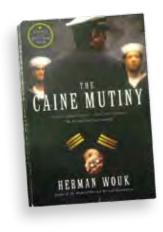
A well-known subplot is that involving a stolen quart of strawberries Queeg is convinced was taken by someone with a duplicate key to the galley. He's frequently in over his head during the day to day running of the ship, but as a junior officer Queeg had once solved a similar case and getting to the bottom of this one would comfort him with a reminder of his earlier success.

The novel reminded the public that not all warriors are heroes. In fact, it advanced the notion that not all heroes are heroes. And it also popularized the initialism "PDQ," which those of us of a certain age still use on occasion. The letters stand for "pretty damned quick," as in "Son, you better get your homework done PDQ."

The Caine Mutiny was introduced to me by a library customer over 30 years ago who'd read it a half dozen times. I'm just passing on the recommendation.

MLS owns the novel, the play, and the film version on DVD. The play is available as MP3 and WMA audiobooks.

Doug Bentin edits and writes in info magazine.

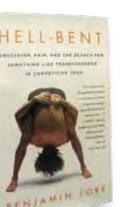




#### Hell-Bent: Obsession, Pain, and the Search for Something Like Transcendence in Competitive Yoga

by Benjamin Lorr

reviewed by Jana Hausburg



I picked this book because of the subtitle. Competitive yoga? As the author says, "Well, what are you supposed to be judging them on? Karma? Purity of soul?" I'd been practicing yoga for more than two decades and had never heard of such a thing, understanding yoga as devotion to cultivating inner peace and oneness with the universe.

After a weight gain prompted by an alcohol-induced injury, Lorr took up Bikram yoga (also known as hot yoga). This kind of yoga is done in rooms heated to between 100 to 115 degrees Fahrenheit. Packed with students, the rooms are hot, humid, smelly, and drenched with sweat, but the heat allows muscles additional flexibility. In three months the weight had gone, replaced by lean muscle. Lorr slept better, looked better, felt better. He became addicted to the way he felt after those 90 minute sessions. He wanted to master the 26 postures. In time, he is not satisfied with merely practicing. He wants to compete, to place himself among a subculture of those who embody the

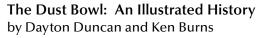
perfection of the pose.

But this isn't a memoir about weight loss. It's much more -- a history of yoga; an exploration of the empire built by Indian yoga guru Bikram Choudhury; an examination of the science of the brain and how it processes pain; true tales of medical miracles; a handbook for reevaluating the limits of the human body. Also, an introduction to wall-walking into backbends -- a process that reads as so impossibly painful yet so totally compelling I had to try it.

Lorr doesn't lose himself in yoga, although his participation in 8-hour-a-day yoga sessions might indicate he's headed in that direction. Instead, he's blunt about yoga's strengths and weaknesses, Bikram's narcissism and cruelties, and practitioner's pain and pleasure.

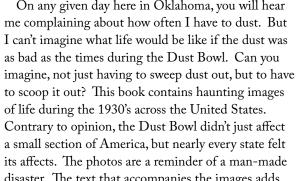
With her sharply-honed reviewing skills, Jana Hausburg is ready to tackle any literary challenge. Except, maybe, vampire romance. She is also the manager at the Capitol Hill Library.





On any given day here in Oklahoma, you will hear disaster. The text that accompanies the images adds





further information about life during those times through vivid interviews with survivors. The images, many never published before, show the incredible hardship yet surprising resilience of the American people, particularly those of Boise City, OK, considered the epicenter of the disaster. A definite read.

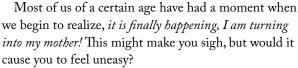
MLS Security Manager Linda Hyams takes her job seriously. She has a keen interest in anything related to crime prevention and security, particularly preparing for a possible zombie apocalypse. When not preparing for such events, she enjoys walking with her dogs and sewing...

### **Reviews & Recommendations**



#### Elsewhere: A Memoir by Richard Russo

reviewed by Lori Mullooly



For Richard Russo, this realization brings only dread and concern. In his new memoir Elsewhere, Russo writes about his complex relationship with his mother. Initially, he describes her as a determined single mother; confident in her career in a time when most women were homemakers. He was proud of her and their close relationship -- and as long as they had each other, she always told him, things would be fine.

But as he grows to manhood, he realizes that his mother has increasing mental health issues. She suddenly quits her job and moves across country with him to university. Once there, she cannot find another job that suits her. She begins to unravel. She moves into his trailer (where he lives with his new bride) and each afternoon she positions herself at the window and waits for her son to return to her.

Russo knows that his mother's well being is in his hands, and in the course of time, logically, he begins to wonder how his own life will progress. By making different choices, can he avoid the grave problems she suffered from?

In this powerful memoir, Russo has written an elegy to his mother, who he clearly cherished and tried to keep whole. And it will make you wonder, for better or worse, do you have any choice but to become your mother?

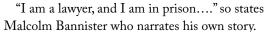
This title is also available from MLS as an audiobook CD, and in large print.

Lori Mullooly is a Materials Selection Technician and has worked for the Metropolitan Library System for three years. This is her first review for info magazine.



#### The Racketeer by John Grisham

by Ruby Soutiere



felony conviction equals disbarment.

Like everyone in prison, Bannister feels he is innocent. He was put in prison by a sanctimonious federal judge. Halfway through his 10 year sentence, Bannister spends his time helping fellow inmates with their legal problems, even though he no longer has his license. A

Poor Bannister, wrongfully convicted. He is incarcerated in a low-security prison in Maryland, serving time for a white-collar crime. He feels forgotten by the outside world. His father is his only regular visitor.

Then Bannister sees an article in the Washington Post: Judge Raymond Fawcett and his young girlfriend were found murdered in the Judge's cabin in the woods. The safe was emptied. Bannister seems to know what was in the safe. He plans to use his knowledge of the missing

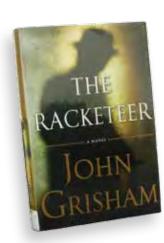
contents, and something called Rule 35 to get out of jail. Rule 35 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure

allows the commutation of a prison sentence. If an inmate can solve a crime that the Feds are interested in, then the inmate's sentence can be reduced. Bannister claims he knows who killed Judge Fawcett.

Sympathy for Bannister and his plight begins to wane, as he meets with the warden of the prison, with FBI agents, with the federal attorney and with federal marshals, the question becomes just who is conning whom and who is the real racketeer in this story?

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

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



Elsewhere

RICHARD RUSSO

# The World Is Just a Click Away

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ou probably know that you can access a variety of Oklahoma newspapers through our online database—you just visit our website at www. metrolibrary.org and click on the Databases tab at the top of the Home Page. If you haven't taken a look there before, you may be amazed at the number of topics there are to choose from.

Now click on Newspapers and get ready to be blown right out of your shoes.

Through Newsbank you can access over 30 Oklahoma papers from Ada to Woodward, hundreds of papers from all 50 states, territories and the District of Columbia.

Same Day Global Newspapers gives you instant access to 2,200 newspapers from 97 in 54 languages. ProQuest Historical Newspapers lets you browse such titles as the Los Angeles Times (1881-1987), the Washington Post (1877-1995), and *The New York Times* (1851-2007).

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current issues of *The New York Times*.

There's something special about that one. We're the only public library system in the U.S. that has it. And like all our other newspaper databases, it's free.

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"This is a tremendous honor for MLS," said Executive Director Donna Morris, "because MLS is the only public library in the country to offer the Times online to customers. It makes an outstanding addition to our newspaper database collection."

The Times online receives over 30 million unique visitors every month, making it one of the most popular newspapers in the world.

Morris added that access is only available in an MLS library using a library computer or accessed through MLS wifi in the library, but that means that it's ready for use seven days a week. "Adding the Times," Morris said, "that brings the total of U.S. newspapers available through our database to 1,787, including from the state of Oklahoma the Edmond Sun, Norman Transcript, Tulsa World, The Oklahoman, and dozens more."

For more information about how you can access The New

York Times or any Metropolitan Library System database online, visit the MLS website, www.

metrolibrary.org.

The New York Times' slogan has always been "All the News That's Fit to Print." The online edition now boasts "All the News That's Fit to Click."

The MLS newspapers databases are Nirvana for news junkies.





MLS program is John Fullbright. His album *From the Ground Up*, which was recorded and mixed in Norman, received a Grammy nomination for Best Americana Album this year. He's also been profiled a couple of times on National Public Radio, and took home the 2012 ASCAP Foundation's Harold Adamson Lyric Award.

In addition to playing several venues in his native Oklahoma, including Downtown Library's Noon Tunes series on Thursdays at lunch time, John has headlined at the SXSW Festival, the Kerrville Folk Festival, and at the Woody Guthrie Folk Festival. He's also toured Europe with stops in England, Scotland, and the Netherlands. Last fall he performed at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame's tribute concert honoring Chuck Berry. In his review of the show for *Cleveland Scene*, Jeff Niesel wrote: "While the New York Dolls David Johansen and Motorhead's Lemmy Kilmister brought star power to the show, it was little known Americana singer-pianist John Fullbright who really shined on his contribution, a moody rendition of 'Downbound Train."

So keep an eye out for the best in Oklahoma musicians and music when you look through our monthly Calendar of Events. You never know how many winners we've booked for you.

# march

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

# Almonte Library 2914 S.W. 59 (405) 606-3575 HOURS Mon-Thur: 9-9 Sat: 9-5 Fri: 9-6 Sun: 1-6



#### The Almonte Library Re-opened: Feb 3, 2013

Welcome to the Almonte Library, re-opened in a leased store front at 2914 SW 59th, in the Almonte Shopping Center. This current location enjoys a 12,500 square foot store front space for the library and has a capacity of 35,000 library materials with a seating capacity for 60 people, designated spaces for children and teens, a magazine reading area and, includes a multi-purpose room for small meetings.

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All MLS libraries will be closed Sunday, March 31 in observance of Easter.

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

#### Teen Writing Workshop Mar 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 7-8p Ages 11-17

Teens, want to be a writer? Here is a chance to work with young adult author, journalist, and instructor Megan Cox. This is a six week workshop on writing fiction work. Learn how to plot, write dialogue and action scenes, and how to use revision and peer interaction to produce your best work. Classes held Feb. 27, March 6, 13, 20, 27, and April 3, 7-8pm. This is a continuous course with 6 classes building on each other. Please call 843-9601 to register starting Feb 6. This is a free workshop.

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**Belle Isle Library** 5501 N. Villa Ave., OKC

(405) 843-9601

**HOURS** 

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# Service Core of Retired Executives (SCORE) Counseling Mar 2,16 | Sat | 9:30a-12:30p Adults

If you are interested in starting a new business or are a business owner in need of assistance, counseling is available on the first and third Saturday of the month. The Service Core of Retired Executives (SCORE) will offer free confidential assistance for small business owners, one-on-one. Sign up at the Information Desk for an appt. 843-9601. Cosponsor: Service Core of Retired Executives (SCORE).

#### Gaming Club Mar 5,12,19,26 | Tue | 4-5p Teens

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

#### ABC on the Beach Mar 6 | Wed | 10-10:45a Pre-kindergarten

Storytime with Ms.B will be focusing on

#### **Canterbury Youth Choruses' Apprentice Choir**

Mar 9 | Sat | 2-3p All ages

The Canterbury Youth Choruses' Apprentice Choir, under the direction of Meredith Ziegler, will explore our world and all that is in it through song. This is a perfect Saturday afternoon excursion for family members of all ages. Concerts run approximately 45 minutes. Cosponsor: Canterbury Choral Society.

#### Steampunk Tea Mar 16 | Sat | 2-4p Teens and adults

Take a time when steam power was cutting edge technology, such as in Victorian England or America in the 19th century. Now apply that technology to the world of the future, as in the novels of Jules Verne or H.G. Wells. That way of seeing things, and the culture that fosters it, is steampunk. This month's topic: Automatons, what they are and how to make them. Cosponsor: Octopodicon.

#### Metro OKC Knit Guild Group Meeting Mar 17 | Sun | 3:30-5:30p Teens-adults

Join a group of kindred spirits to knit and chat.

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

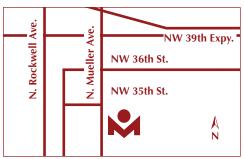
#### Belle Isle Anime/Manga Club Mar 18 | Mon | 4-5p

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 Mar 21 | Thur | 4-5p Teens

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





See pages 17,27 & 30 for more Bethany Library programs/events.

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

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

#### Family Place: 1-2-3- Play with Me Mar 7,14 | Thur | 9:30-10:30a and 10:30-11:30a

#### Infants through age 4 w/parent

Playing with your baby or child is not only important for bonding but is also an educational experience for your child. We are providing a

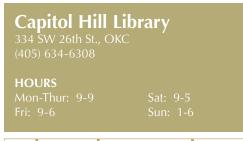
special time for you to come to the library and spend one-on-one time playing with your child. A different community resource professional will be available each week to answer your parenting questions. This free series is intended for infants through age four with their parents or guardians. Preregister by calling the library or visiting the Information Desk.

#### Yu-Gi-Oh! Club Mar 9 | 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!

#### Irish Dancers Mar 16 | Sat | 3-4p All ages

The Celtic Cadence Dance Company under the direction of Jean Hill will perform traditional and modern dances of the Emerald Isle. Refreshments will be served after the program. Limited seating is available, so please come early.





See pages 19,23, 29 & 30 for more Capitol Hill Library programs/events.

#### Dr. Seuss' Birthday Seussical Celebration Mar 1 | Fri | 3:30-4:30p Preschool & elementary school ages

Visit the Capitol Hill Library for the annual celebration of world famous author Dr. Seuss. We will feature Dr. Seuss books for a readathon, fun activities and refreshments too.

#### Safari After School Homework & Reading Help

Mar 4,5,25,26 | Monday and Tuesdays 3:30-5:30p Grades K-12

Volunteers will be standing by to offer one-on-one homework and reading help. Need

help with algebra, science, spelling or just need some reading practice? You will find it here! Sign up when you come in, and get ready to ace your classes this year!

#### Safari After School Homework and Reading Help

#### Mar 6,7,27,28 | Wednesdays and Thursdays By appointment Grades K-9

Appointments will be taken between 3:30 and 5pm to offer one-on-one homework and reading help. Need help with algebra, science, spelling or just need some reading practice? You will find it here! Call 634-6308 to schedule your appt.

#### Tell Me a Story: Book and Craft Mar 5 | Tue | 9:30-10:30a Ages 6 and younger with adult

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

#### Kids On the Hill Book Club Mar 5,19 | Tue | 4-5:30p Grades 2-5

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

#### Art in the Afternoon for Families Mar 9 | Sat | 2-4p Ages 8 and older

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

#### Conversational Spanish II Mar 11,18,25 | Mon | 5:30-7p Adults

This course is designed for individuals who already have a basic understanding of the Spanish language, and want to further increase their Spanish speaking skills. This is a three month, 13 class course that will meet on Monday evenings from February 11th-May 6th. Register by calling the library, or sign up at the Information Desk

#### Tell Me a Story: Move and Groove Mar 12 | Tue | 9:30-10:30a Ages 6 and younger with adult

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

#### Chess Club Remix Mar 12 | Tue | 4-5:30 Kids-Teens

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

#### Play at the Hill Game Fest Mar 13,27 | Wed | 4:30-5:30p Ages 10-17

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

#### Time Travel Thursday: Classic Board Games Mar 14 | Thur | 3-4:30p Kids and Teens

Travel back to a time when the simple things were fun. Join us to play a collection of board games and hang out with your friends. Connect 4, Scrabble, Monopoly, Apples to Apples, Twister, and more.

#### Tell Me a Story: Parachute Play Mar 19 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a Ages 6 and younger with adult

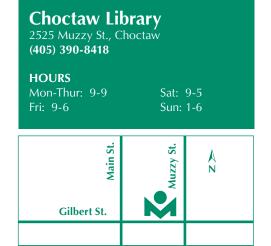
Hearing stories is one of the best ways for babies and young children to develop early language and literacy skills. Our story time is a fast paced, fun event adapted for short attention spans. Stories, songs and games are followed by parachute play and healthy snack. Parachute play is an excellent way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

#### Family Stories: Bilingual Story Time -English y Español Mar 19 | Tue | 6-7p Ages 8 & under w/ parent or caregiver

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

#### Tell Me a Story: Play and Learn Mar 26 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a Ages 6 and younger with adult

Stories, songs and games are followed by open play and healthy snack. Open play is an excellent way to help children learn social skills, and learn to that the library is a destination for fun! This story time is the perfect way to introduce the library and all the fun and learning it offers to your little one.



See pages 23 & 27 for more Choctaw Library programs/events.

#### Family Place: 1-2-3- Play with Me Mar 1,8,15,22 | Fri | 10-11a Infants through age 4 w/parent

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

#### Gem & Mineral Demo Day at the Library Mar 2 | Sat | 10a-3p All ages

Members of the Shawnee Gem and Mineral Club will provide an overview of the club's activities. Demonstrations of jewelry making and many facets of gems/minerals will be presented. This event is a come and go affair. No registration necessary. School-aged children and young adults are welcome. Cosponsor: Shawnee Gem and Mineral Club.

#### German in 10 Minutes a Day Mar 4,11,18,25 | Mon | 5:30-6:30p Older teens and adults

Join Hannelore Chan for this 6 week "German in 10 Minutes A Day" language course. Improve your German conversational language skills and usage.

#### Lapsit Storytime Mar 5,12,19,26 | Tue | 9:30-10a Ages 6 months-3 years

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

#### Preschool Storytime Mar 5,12,19,26 | Tue | 10:30-11a Ages 3-5

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

#### Wire Wrap Jewelry Workshop Mar 5,12,19,26 | Tue | 5:30-8:30p Adults and older teens (17 and older)

Local wire wrap expert and rock hound, George D. Finley of the Shawnee Gem & Mineral Club, will lead this class. Participants will create wire jewelry and take home their creation. Supplies are provided. Books will be available for checkout. Preregistration required. Cosponsor: EOC Tech & Shawnee Gem & Mineral Club.

#### Yoga for Your Health Mar 6,13 | Wed | 6:15-7:15p Adults

The health benefits of yoga include stress reduction, the concentration required during yoga practice tends to focus your attention on the matter at hand, and thereby reducing the emphasis you may be putting on the stress in your life. Sandi Burden of Oklahoma City will lead these sessions. Classes are free and space is limited. Please preregister at 390-8418 ext 3.

#### Parachute Play Mar 7 | Thur | 10:30-11a Ages 3-5

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

Open Play Time Mar 9 | Sat | 10-11a Ages 6 mos-5 yrs

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.

#### Pizza and Plots-Teen Book Club Mar 13 | Wed | 4:30-5:30p Teens

Choctaw Library has a book club just for Teens! Come enjoy pizza and drinks as we talk about awesome books. This month's theme is technology in honor of Teen Tech Month! Get more info or sign up at the Information Desk or call 390-8418.

#### GameFest Mar 14 | Thur | 6-8p Teens

Game On! Celebrate Teen Tech Month with some of our favorite technology, video games! Battle your friends at Super Smash Brothers or Mariokart or have a Dance Off with Just Dance. We'll also have some board games available for those who prefer old-school gaming!

#### 3rd Annual WayWord Whopper Festival Mar 23 | Sat | 9:15a-1:30p Adults

A unique and fun mini-storytelling festival that will showcase storytellers sharing their best of the best whoppers. Tellers will be judged in several categories: Family Funny, Folk & Fairy and Wild Whoppee Whoppers(Tall Tales). Unusual prizes and certificates will be presented. Cosponsors: WayWord Tellers & Oklahoma Territory Tellers.

#### LEGO Club Mar 27 | Wed | 4-5:30p All ages

Build with the Lego Club at the Choctaw Library. Open to all ages. Legos provided. family memberships to museums and more.







See pages 17,23,27 & 30 for more Del City Library programs/events.

#### Storytime

#### Mar 1 | Fri | 10:30-11a Ages 3-6

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

#### Homework Help Mar 4-28 | Mon & Thur | 4-6p Kindergarten-Grade 12

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

#### Ayumu Anime Club Mar 5 | Tue | 4:30-5:30p Teens

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

#### Hooked on Yarn Mar 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 6-7p All ages

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

#### Pinch Proof Wearable Art Mar 11 | Mon | 4:30-5:30p Ages 8-16

Be prepared for St. Patrick's Day by wearing something pinch proof you made yourself! Space is limited so please sign-up for this program by calling 672-1377 or visiting us at the Information Desk.

#### Irish Folk Dancing Mar 11 | Mon | 6-7p All Ages

Let Oklahoma Academy of Irish Dance get your toes tappin' and your hands clappin' as they perform a variety of Irish dances from the old style ceili (folk) dances to the newer step dances. You will see dancers perform in soft shoes as well as hard shoes and even get a chance to learn a step yourself! Cosponsored by the Oklahoma Academy of Irish Dance.

#### Teen Reads Book Club Mar 12 | Tue | 4:30-5:30p Teens

Hey teens, do you like books and pizza? Of course you do! Read the book first or read it after, just be ready to talk books! This month we are reading *The Girl of Fire and Thorns* by Rae Carson. Pick up a copy of the book at the Information Desk, or call to reserve a copy.

#### LEGO Club Mar 18 | Mon | 4:30-5:30p All ages

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

#### Movie Night Mar 20 | Wed | 6-8p All ages

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

#### Make Your Own Cubist Robot Mar 21 | Thur | 4:30-5:30p Ages 10-older

Make a Cubist Robot with Amanda Harmer from the Oklahoma City Museum of Art. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City Museum of Art.

#### Busy Person's Book Club Mar 28 | Thur | 1-2p Adults

Do you like good books and good conversation, but don't have a lot of time on your hands? Come to the Busy Person's Book Club! Each month's selection is under 200 pages long and is sure to grab your attention quick and march CALENDAR OF EVENTS

hold it until the very last page. This month we are reading The Bridge of San Luis Rey by Thornton Wilder. Call 672-1377 or stop by the Information Desk to reserve your copy of this month's book selection.



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#### Canterbury Youth Choruses' Apprentice Choir

Mar 2 | Sat | 2-3p

All ages

The Canterbury Youth Choruses' Apprentice Choir under the direction of Meredith Ziegler, will explore our world and all that is in it through song. This is a perfect Saturday afternoon excursion for family members of all ages. Concerts run approximately 45 minutes. Cosponsor: Canterbury Choral Society.

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

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

#### Tai Chi Mar 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 5:30-6:30p

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

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

Please join the Downtown Library for a movie

every Wednesday night. Please call 231-8650 for movie titles.

#### **Urban Sprouts - Storytime** Mar 7,21 | Thur | 10-10:30a Ages 1-5

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

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

Looking for a baby friendly venue to go and enjoy a good movie? Well look no further. Bring your baby and join us in our stateof-the-art movie theater in a baby friendly environment that was designed with the stay-at-home mom/dad in mind. Every first and third Thursday. No registration required. Fussy babies welcome!

#### **Noon Tunes** Mar 7,14,21,28 | Thur | Noon-1p All ages

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

Mar 7: Flyin' Fiddler Mar 14: Piercehart

Mar 21: Crim Duo

Mar 28: Boulevard Brass Quintet

#### **Smart Girls Guide to Tax Preparation** Mar 8 | Fri | Noon-1p **Adults**

Finally mustered up the courage to tackle your own taxes but don't know where to start? Join our tax experts as they offer pertinent information about how to successfully prepare your own taxes. Information covered will include: paper verses e-filing, tax credits, picking the right filing status for your family, and deductions that you should never forget to take. Registration required. Preregister by calling the library at 606-3879 or visiting the Information Desk.

#### **Urban Sprouts - Wildcard** Mar 14 | Thur | 10-10:30a Ages 1-5

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

#### **Just for Him: The Manny Diaries** Mar 14 | Thur | Noon-1p Adults

Learn the power of journaling in this one-hour

class designed especially for men. Through this hands-on class you will find ways to safely release tension, frustrations, and past disappointments - one word at a time. Learn tools that will help you discover different aspects of yourself, your life, and your relationships with

#### **Finding Your Birth Parents** Mar 15 | Fri | 12:30-1:30p **Adults**

This class will provide adoptees with the information they need to start the process of finding their birth parents. Areas covered in this one-hour presentation include: beginning your search, preparing yourself for the emotional ups and downs of this journey, utilizing free databases and electronic resources, and how to open the dialogue with your birth parents.

#### Apps, Apps, and More Apps Mar 15 | Fri | 4-5p Ages 10-16

Ever wanted to find that perfect app that will cut your study time in half? Join us as we catch-up with our resident computer tech expert Anthony Edwards as he navigates us through the newest, coolest computer apps designed just for students. Registration required. Preregister by calling the library at 606-3879 or visiting the Information Desk.

#### **Creative Corner: Favorpalooza** Mar 16 | Sat | 1-2p Ages 10-16

Join us as we learn how to make home-made party favors. Featured in this one-hour, hands-on class will be creative party favors for weddings, birthday parties, baby showers, and graduation celebrations. All materials included. Class limited to 25 participants, so register today! Preregister by calling the library at 606-3879 or visiting the Information Desk.

#### **Lottery Pools 101** Mar 18 | Mon | Noon-1p **Adults**

Thinking of starting a lottery pool at your office but don't know where to get started? Join Ricky McCullough from the Oklahoma State Lottery Commission to learn the ins and outs of creating an office lottery pool—the correct way. Forms provided.

#### My First Window Farm Mar 23 | Sat | 1-2p

Do you love to garden, but struggle with limited space? Well, pull out those overalls and prepare to show off your green thumb as a representative from the Oklahoma County Master Gardeners for the OSU Extension walks you through the basics of creating



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your first window farm. Space is limited to 15 and registration is required. Preregister by calling the library at 606-3879 or visiting the Information Desk. Cosponsor: OSU Extension Office.

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#### Computer Tutoring Mar 1-28 | Wed, Thur, Fri | 1-4p Adult

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

#### Stamp Club Mar 2,16 | Sat | 10a-Noon 4th Grade and higher

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

#### Advanced Farsi Mar 3,10,17,24 | Sun | 1:30-2:30p Adults and teens

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

#### Beginning Farsi Mar 3,10,17,24 | Sun | 2:30-3:30p Adults and teens

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

#### Preschool Storytime Mar 4,11,18,25 | Mon | 10-10:30a Ages 3-5

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

#### Lapsit Playtime and Storytime Mar 5,12,19,26 | Tue | 9-9:45a, 10-10:45a and 11-11:45a Ages birth - 2 yrs old

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

#### Chess Club for Teens Mar 5,12,26 | Tue | 6-7p Teens

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

#### Baby Bounce Mar 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 9-9:45a Birth to 18 months

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

#### 55+ Coffee Break Mar 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 9:30-11a Seniors

Come to the Edmond Library for a coffee break made just for you. Coffee, tea and hot chocolate will be served along with light refreshments. Mingle and talk about your favorite books or activities. We will have some books on the side for you to browse through and check out. This is a come-and-go event.

#### Toddler Time for 2s Mar 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 10-10:45a and 11-11:45a 2-Year-olds

Playtime is a special time for you and your toddler to bond and socialize. But it is educational too, encouraging sensory and motor development. This is followed by a storytime just for this age with stories, move-

ment, and rhymes designed to develop literacy and language skills.

#### Pajamatime Mar 7,14,21,25 | Thur | 6:30-7:15p Ages 1-3

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

#### Music With Susan Mar 8,22 | Fri | 10-10:30a and 10:40-11:10a Ages 2 and 3

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

#### Music With Susan Mar 8,22 | Fri | 11:15-11:45a Ages 4 and 5

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

#### Readers' Choice Book Club Mar 9 | Sat | 10:30a-Noon Adults

The Reader's Choice Book Club meets the second Saturday of every month at the Edmond Library. The group consists of people who enjoy reading outstanding books and discussing them. The book selection for March is *Yes, Chef* by Marcus Samuelsson.

#### Edmond Library Book Bunch Mar 9 | Sat | 2-3:30p Seniors

Edmond's Book Bunch meets monthly to discuss important and memorable fiction. March's book is *The Paris Wife* by Paula McLain. This novel captures a remarkable period of time and a love affair between two unforgettable people: Ernest Hemingway and his wife Hadley. Contact the library to reserve a copy.

#### Yu-Gi-Oh Tournament Mar 9 | Sat | 3-4:30p School-age children

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

#### In Stitches Mar 12 | Tue | 6:30-8:30p Adults

Do you enjoy needlework and visiting with others who do? Join us monthly, on the second Tuesday, to work on your own project or learn a new skill. Develop your skills further by exchanging tips with your needlework friends. In March there is no new project planned. Please bring your own project and all necessary supplies with you. Call Donna Hodges at 348-4120 for more information.

#### Edmond Manga and Anime Club Mar 14 | Thur | 4-5p Teens

Local teens meet to discuss, watch, draw, or experience anime and manga. Free to join, material is rated Teen and may not be suitable for younger teens or children.

#### Spring Break Family Movie Mar 18 | Mon | 4-5:30p All Ages

"Mawage is wot bwings us togeder tooday." Well, maybe not marriage, but how about a movie about true love - with a pirate, and a princess, and an adventure for young and old? Come join us for a spring break screening of a movie based on the book *The Princess Bride*, by William Goldman. Popcorn, punch, and a rollicking good time will be available to all!

#### eBooks for Smart Phones Mar 19 | Tue | 4-5p Teens

Attached to your smart phone? Love to read? Join this Teen Tech Month workshop and learn how to download library books for free to your iPhone, iPad, or Android device. See what eBooks are available to check out and share tips with your fellow teens. We'll provide the snacks! Call 341-9282 or e-mail mhuntwilson@metrolibrary.org to register.

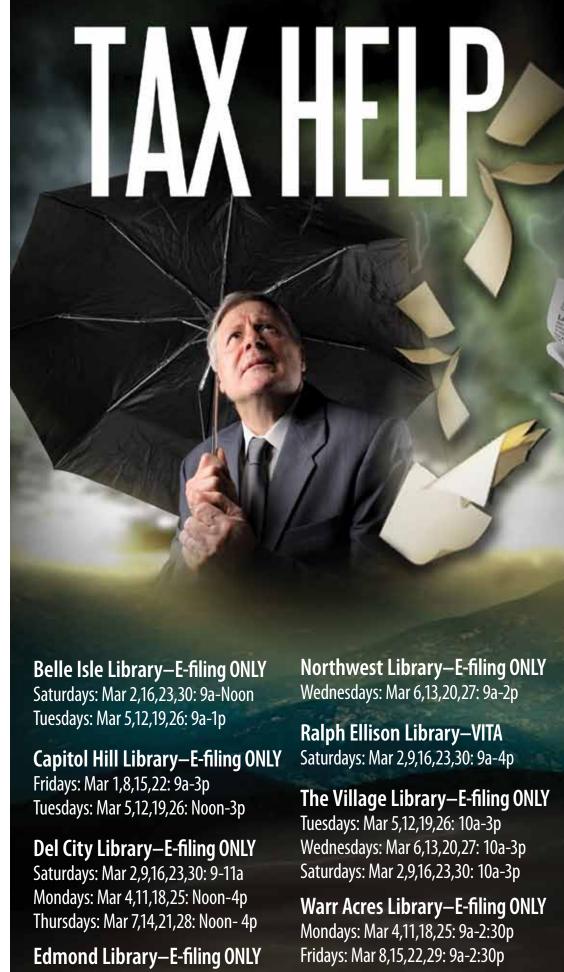
#### Mad Hatters' Tea Party Mar 21 | Thur | 2-3p Boys and girls, Ages 6-10

It's time to ring in spring at the library! Come make a silly hat, play some silly games, listen to a silly story, tell a silly joke, and have a seriously yummy snack. Please pre-register at the Children's Desk or call 341-9282, Ext. 4.

#### eMedia Workshop

Mar 23 | Sat | 2p Kindle Users Mar 23 | Sat | 3:15p Nook Users Adults

Does using your Kindle or Nook have you confused and scratching your head? The world of eMedia is waiting for you. Join our computer guru, Carl Tibbets, to find out more about using your Kindle or Nook to access books electroni-



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cally. Kindle users meet at 2:00, and Nook users meet at 3:15. Space is limited. Please register by calling the library at 341-9282 or at the Information Desk.

#### **History Book Club** Mar 28 | Thur | 6:30-8p **Adults**

The Edmond History Book Club is held every other month September-May. The sessions are led by history professors from the University of Central Oklahoma. The March discussion, led by Dr. Kenny Brown, will focus on Theodore Roosevelt in the Badlands: a Young Politician's Quest for Recovery in the American West by Roger L. DiSilvestro. Contact the library to reserve a copy.



See pages 17,21,23,27 & 29 for more Midwest City Library programs/events.

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#### **Quilting Demonstration** Mar 2 | Sat | 10a-3p

Ever wonder how a quilt is made? Come to the library on March 2, anytime between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m., and find out! The Mid-Del Stitchin' Sisters Quilt Guild will offer demonstrations ranging from fabric selection to tools for cutting faster and more accurately. Handouts will be available and our demonstrators will answer any questions. For more information visit the Information Desk or call 732-4828. Cosponsor: Mid-Del Stitchin' Sisters Quilt Guild.

**Mad Scientist Lab** Mar 2 | Sat | 3:30-4:15p Mar 7,14 | Thur | 4:30-5:15p

Calling all Mad Scientists! Discover more about the world around you through fun

activities and experiments. Space is limited so registration is required. Parents are encouraged to stay and participate. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign-up.

#### **Computer Tutoring** Mar 4,11,18,25 | Mon | 9a-8:30p All ages

Whether you are a computer novice or more knowledgeable and want to improve your existing skills, help is available to you in one-on-one tutoring sessions. Call the library at 732-4828 to make an appointment for Monday or Saturday mornings.

#### **Soldier Creek Quilting Group** Mar 4,11,18,25 | Mon | 9a-2p All ages

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

#### **Preschool Storytime** Mar 4,11,18 | Mon | 10-10:30a Ages birth-5 w/parent

Join us for story time! There will be songs, fingerplays, rhymes, and special stories. Come and join the fun! Older siblings are welcome. All children should be accompanied by an adult. Space is limited, so be sure to reserve a spot by calling 732-4828 or visiting the Information Desk.

#### **Knit Wit** Mar 5 | Tue | 10a-Noon

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

#### Pajama Story Night Mar 5 | Tue | 6:30-7p Children of all ages

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

#### **Music for Babies and Toddlers** Mar 6 | Wed | 10-10:40a Birth-36 months w/parent

Join Miss Joy for a morning of musical activities for babies and toddlers. Older siblings are welcome and encouraged to bring a doll so they can play along. Instruments will be provided

for those who have registered by calling 732-4828 or visiting the Information Desk.

#### Chess Club at the Midwest City Library Mar 6 | Wed | 4:30-5:30p Ages 12 and older

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

#### **Non-Fiction Book Club** Mar 14 | Thur | 7-8p Adults

Come join us for the Midwest City Nonfiction Readers' Book Club where we read and discuss an array of titles of varying subject matter. This month's selection is Turn Right at Machu Picchu by Mark Adams. Please visit the Information Desk to receive your copy.

#### **Motor Vehicle Crash Prevention Course** Mar 16 | Sat | 9a-4p **Adults**

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

#### Spring Break Miyazaki Marathon Mar 18,19,20,21,22 | Mon-Fri | 1-3p Children of all ages

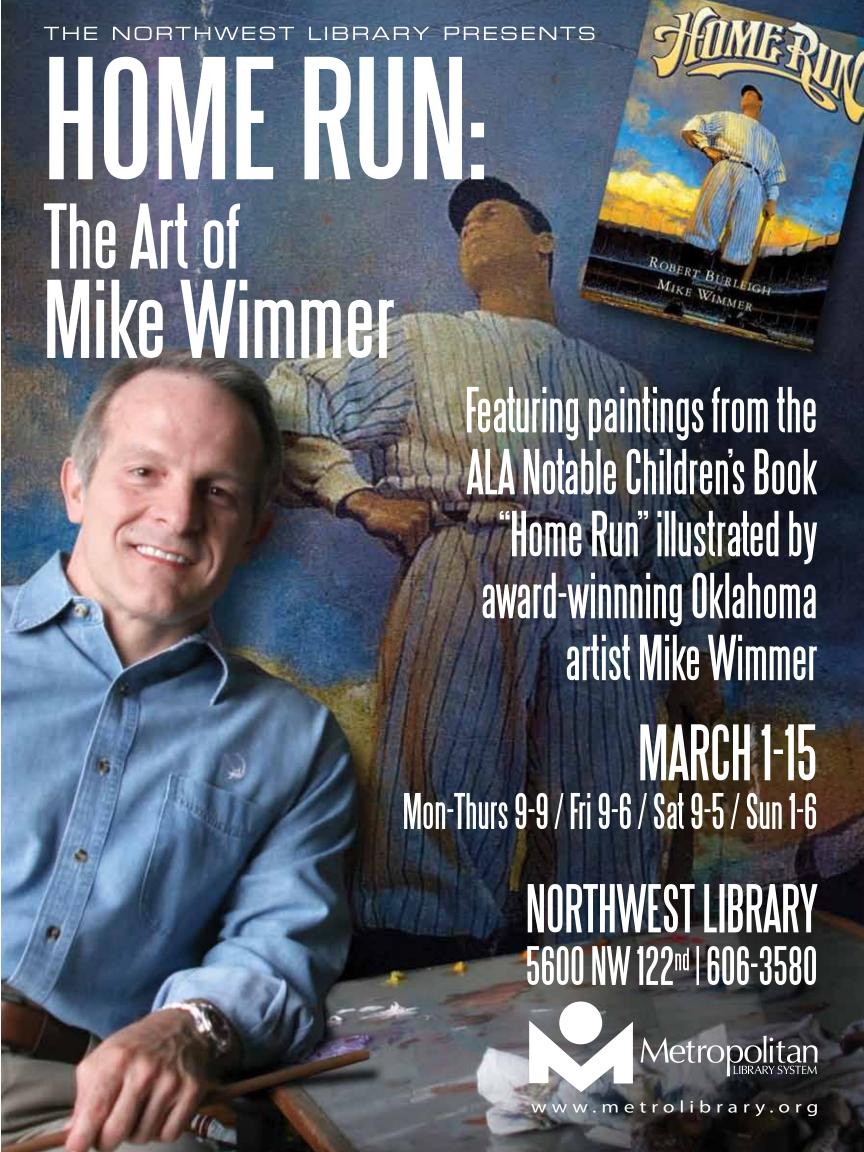
Join us for a different Hayao Miyazaki movie every day. All movies are rated G or PG. Ask at the Information Desk to find out the movie schedule. Space is limited so show up early.

#### **Natural Hair** Mar 18 | Mon | 7-8p **Adults**

Many struggle with how to properly maintain and care for natural tresses. With the influx of natural hair blogs, tutorials, products and videos, the natural hair journey can be daunting. If you do not have a good understanding of what works for YOUR hair, please attend this monthly program. This program is free and open to the public. To attend, register at the Information Desk or call 732-4828.

#### Readers' Society Book Club Mar 19 | Tue | 10-11:30a **Adults**

The Readers' Society meets the third Tuesday of each month to discuss adult fiction in a variety of genres. The book for March is The Language of Flowers by Vanessa Diffenbaugh. Call or visit the Information Desk to get a copy of this month's selection. 732-4828.



#### **Family Craft Night** Mar 19 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p Children of all ages

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

#### **Metropolitan Library Commission** of Oklahoma County

Mar 21 | Thur | 3:30-5p

Midwest City Library 8143 E. Reno, Midwest City, OK 405.732.4828

The public is welcome to attend.

#### **DIY- Teen Iron Chef Pastry Decorating** Mar 22 | Fri | 2-4p **Teens**

Decorate your favorite Twinkie, cupcake or other favorite pastry. All supplies provided by the library. To attend, please sign up at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

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

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

#### **Weaving with Donna** Mar 30 | Sat | 1-4p **Adults**

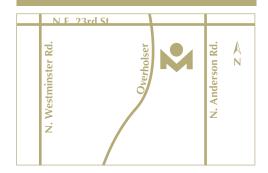
Learn to weave with Donna Hilton at the Midwest City Library. Participants learn the beauty of weaving and will create a wonderful item. Space is limited and registration is required. All supplies provided. To attend, please contact the Information Desk or call 732-4828.

#### Joy of Play at Any Age Mar 30 | Sat | 2-3p **Adults**

The importance of play continues throughout the life cycle. As children we learn about passion and compassion, joy and restraint and communication all of which prepare us to be cooperative and productive members of society. Play continues to be important by helping to maintain flexibility in the mind and body and promotes a higher quality of life as we age. This lecture explains the fundamental importance of play with children and adults for healthy living. Cosponsor: School of Metaphysics.

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

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

#### **Lady Crafters** Mar 19 | Tue | 10a-Noon

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

See pages 17,19,23,27 & 30 for more Northwest Library programs/events.

#### Mike Wimmer Art Exhibit: Home Run: The Story of Babe Ruth Mar 1-15 | Library Hours All ages

Oklahoma's own award-winning artist and illustrator Mike Wimmer has illustrated many books for children, including Home Run: The Story of Babe Ruth by Robert Burleigh, which was named an ALA Notable Children's Book. Exhibit includes 17 paintings of original artwork for Home Run.

#### Spanish and English Story Time/Tiempo de cuentos bilingüe Mar 2 | Sat | 10-11a

**Early Childhood** 

Like stories? Like culture? Come to the library with your little one to experience story time in both Spanish and English. Please call to register at 606-3580 as space is limited. Te gusta historias? ;Cultura? Ven a la biblioteca con tu pequeñito y visite nuestro tiempo de cuentos en inglés y español. Por favor llame 606-3580 para registrar, el espacio es limitado.

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

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

3/5- Play with Me

3/12- Story Time

3/19- Wiggles and Giggles

3/26- Music Play

# CHILDREN READING to DoGs

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



**Belle Isle Library** 

Capitol Hill Library
Capitol Hill Library

**Choctaw Library** 

Choctaw Library Del City Library

Edmond Library Midwest City Library Mondays, 6-7pm

Saturday, Mar 9, 1-2pm Tuesday, Mar 26, 6-7pm

Saturday, Mar 9, 3-4pm

Reaister at the Information Desk or call 390-8418

Wednesday, Mar 20, 4-5pm

Thursday, Mar 14,28, 6:30-7:30pm Register at the Information Desk or call 672-1377

Tuesday, Mar 5,19, 6:30-7:30pm

Tuesdays, Mar 12,26, 7-7:30pm Register at the Information Desk or call 732-4828 **Nicoma Park Library** 

Northwest Library
Southern Oaks Library

Southern Oaks Library
The Village Library
The Village Library
Warr Acres Library

Thursday, Mar 7, 4-4:45pm

Register at the Information Desk or call 769-9452

Mondays, 6-7pm

Tuesday, Mar 12, 6:30-7:30pm Register at the Information Desk or call 631-4468

Saturday, Mar 23, 10-11a

Wednesdays, 6-7pm

Thursdays, 3:30-4:30pm

Thursday, Mar 7, 6:30-7:30pm

#### Early Childhood Programs for Ages 0-2 Mar 5,12,19,26 | Tue | 10:45-11:15a and 1:45-2:15p

#### Birth to nearly 3

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

3/5- Play with Me 3/12- Story Time 3/19- Wiggles and Giggles 3/26- Music Play

#### Family Place: 1-2-3- Play with Me Mar 5 | Tue | 1:45-2:45p

#### Infants through age 4 w/parent or guardian

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

#### Grief Recovery Mar 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 6-8p Adults

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

#### Trip Around the World Mar 6 | Wed | 6-7:30p Grades 3-6

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

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

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

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

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

#### Book Club Mar 8 | Fri | 1-2p Adults

Come join us the 2nd Friday of each month to discuss a new book! This month we will read and discuss *King Peggy* by Peggielene Bartels. Reserve your copy today! Discussion guides available at the library.

#### Budding Bookworms: Children's Book Club Mar 11 | Mon | 4-5p Ages 9-12

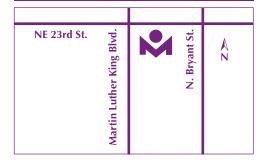
Like to read? A children's book club is a great way to share your opinions and meet other budding bookworms. Come to the library ready to discuss this month's book selection, *Breaking Stalin's Nose* by Eugene Yelchin. Reserve your copy today!

#### Journal Junkies Mar 21 | Thur | 4-5p Teens

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



# Ralph Ellison Library 2000 N.E. 23rd, OKC (405) 424-1437 HOURS Mon-Thur: 9-9 Sat: 9-5 Fri: 9-6 Sun: 1-6



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

#### Art Gallery Mar 1-31 | During Library Hours All ages

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

#### Ralph Ellison's Birthday Party! Mar 1 | Fri | 5-7p All ages

Come join us for an evening of music, food, and dance as we launch Ralph Ellison's Centennial Celebration with a birthday party. This event will kick-off a yearlong celebration of the life, accomplishments, and contributions of Mr. Ellison.

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

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

#### YP 13 Career Experience (Young Professionals 2013) Mar 2 | Sat | 2-4p Mar 16,30 | Sat |11a-1p Teens

Young Professionals Career Experience 2013: Teens, learn how to sell yourself, exude confidence, and ultimately score a job that you love. Teens must attend one of the March seminar dates in order to attend the job fair in May. The seminars will go over topics such as: Job Search Strategies, Social Media Responsibility, Resume Building, Dressing for Success, and

Interview Skills. Call the library at 424-1437 for more information. Cosponsor: Oklahoma Ladies for Christian Education.

#### First Monday Gamefest Mar 4 | Mon | 4-5:30p Ages 10-18

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

#### Salsa Dancing for Beginners Mar 5,12,19,26 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p Age 16 and older

Looking for a fun way to stay in shape? Want to learn some new moves on the dance floor? Then let instructor Aletha Williams get you started in our Salsa Dancing for Beginners class, Tuesday nights all month long. Sign up at 606-3457.

#### Puzzlerama Mar 7 | Thur | 6-7p All ages

Being puzzled is a good thing! It's only logical to join us at the library and have fun solving all types of puzzles from jigsaws to tangrams. We'll have puzzles for all, from babies to grownups.

#### Girls' Night: Bead for Life Jewelry Mar 12 | Tue | 5-6:30p All ages

Girls' Night is just around the corner! Open for girls of all ages, it will be a night of bonding over creating one-of-a-kind jewelry using beads from Bead for Life! Bead for Life is a fair trade, nonprofit organization which assists Ugandan women as they create one-of-a-kind beads from recycled paper. The profits these women make go toward food, education, and medical care for their families. Invite your sister, mom, grandma, and cousin for this spectacular event for girls only! Sign up is required. Call 424-1437.

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

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

#### Bey Blade Tournament Mar 19 | Tue | 4:30-6p Ages 10 -16

Ralph Ellison Library is hosting Bey Blade

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

#### Eastside Chess Club Mar 21 | Thur | 4-5p Ages 10 and older

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

#### Chemistry Capers Mar 21 | Thur | 6-7p Ages 3 and older

Fizz, boom, pop! Kids and families, get ready to don your imaginary lab coats and explore the fascinating world of science. Children will engage in interactive and kid friendly chemistry experiments. All supplies are provided—just bring your imagination and joy of discovery.

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

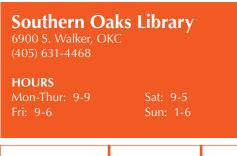
S.O.U.P. Society of Urban Poets provides an opportunity for budding poets to share their work with an audience full of supporters. Just show up ready to read.

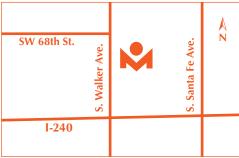
#### Shinigami Anime Club Mar 26 | Tue | 4-6p Ages 12 -18

If you love to read manga, watch anime, and enjoy gaming, then the Ralph Ellison Anime Club is just for you! It meets from 5-6 on the 4th Tuesday of every month and is open for tweens and teens ages 12-18.

#### Mother Goose on the Loose Mar 28 | Thur | 6-6:30p Birth to age 5

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





See pages 21,23,27 & 30 for more Southern Oaks Library programs/events.

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

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

#### Adult Education Classes Mar 4,6,11,13,18,20,25,27 | Mon & Wed 6-8p Adults

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

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

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

#### Toddler/Preschool Activity: Storytime Mar 11 | Mon | 10:30-11:10a Age 2-5 w/parent

Join Ms. Kelley for a fun storytime! Children will enjoy stories, songs, and fingerplays that

help build early literacy skills. All children should be accompanied by an adult. Please sign up at the Information Desk or by calling 631-4468.

#### **Healthy Eating** Mar 11 | Mon | 1-2p All ages

Celebrate National Nutrition Month with food, nutrition and health tips from registered dietitian Diana Romano. Handouts and a cooking demonstration will be provided during the free workshop. Call the Southern Oaks Library at 631-4468 to sign up or stop by the Information Desk. Cosponsor: OSU Extension Oklahoma County.

#### Southern Oaks Book Club Mar 12 | Tue | 11:30a-12:30p Adult

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

#### **LEGO Robots** Mar 12 | Tue | 6-8p Ages 10-18

Learn mechanical design, construction, and programming using LEGO Elements Robot Kits. This class is a good introduction for teens interested in robotics competition. Call 631-4468 for more information. Preregistration required. All materials provided. Cosponsor: Oklahoma County Extension Center (4-H).

#### **Robot Craft** Mar 14 | Thur | 4-6p Ages 8-16

Come learn about art and make fun cubist robots with Kiona Milliron from the Oklahoma City Museum of Art. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City Museum of Art.

#### **Recycled Art: Bottle Cap Flowers** Mar 18 | Mon | 2-3p Kids ages 6-10

Budding artists will create their own threedimensional flowers using bottle caps, ornate papers, and beads in this fun class. We will also have the opportunity to decorate a jeweled vase together to display their flowers! Sign up is required. Sign up at the Information Desk or by calling 631-4468.

#### Book Adventure: Kids' Book Club Mar 19 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p Kids age 6-9

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

#### Family Place: 1-2-3 Play With Me Mar 20,27 | Wed | 10-11a Infants - age 4 w/parent

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

#### **Rocket Science** Mar 21 | Thur | 2-4p Ages 10-18

Learn how to make stomp rockets and balloon rockets! Science is fun! Space is limited, preregistration is required. Call 631-4468. Cosponsor: Southern Oaks Library Teen Advisory Board.

#### Toddler/Preschool Activity: Tippi Toes Dance Mar 25 | Mon | 10:30-11a Ages 2-5 w/parent

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

## The Village Library **HOURS** N. Hefner Rd. Vineyard Blvd. N. Britton Rd.

See pages 19,23,27 & 30 for more of The Village Library programs/events.

#### **Chess Club** Mar 1,15,22 | Fri | 4-5:30p All ages

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

#### **LEGO Club** Mar 4 | Mon | 1-3p For children and their parents

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

#### eMedia For Adults Mar 4 | Mon | 6:30-8p Adults

Learn how to download eBooks and digital audiobooks from the library to your Nook or Kindle. Free individualized instruction evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 pm or Saturdays. Bring your laptop, eReader and a cable to connect them. Come in or call to make an appointment for your instruction time. Village Library 755-0710.

#### **Preschool Storytime** Mar 7,14 | Thur | 10-10:30a Ages 2-5 with parent/caregiver

Come and join us for stories, songs, and crafts. Please call 755-0710 to register, or stop by the Information Desk.

#### **Knitty Committee** Mar 9 | Sat | 10a-Noon

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





Tuesday, March 19 at 1pm | Edmond Library
Tuesday, March 19 at 7pm | Bethany Library
Wednesday, March 20 at 1pm | Warr Acres Library
Wednesday, March 20 at 7pm | Midwest City Library
Thursday, March 21 at 1pm | Choctaw Library
Thursday, March 21 at 7pm | Belle Isle Library

Friday, March 22 at 10am | The Village Library
Friday, March 22 at 2pm | Del City Library
Saturday, March 23 at 10am | Southern Oaks Library
Saturday, March 23 at 2pm | Northwest Library
Sunday, March 24 at 2pm | Downtown Library
For information, please call 606-3833.

#### V-SIFT: Great Technology Race Mar 14 | Thur | 4-5p **Teens**

It's Teen Tech Month, so for this month's V-SIFT activity come check out all the technology the library has to offer. Race to answer questions and complete tasks using the library's technology and online databases. Hurry—the first teen to finish the race will win free earbuds. Snacks will be provided. Please register by calling 755-0710 or stopping by the Information Desk.

#### **Introduction to Word 2007/2010** Mar 14 | Thur | 6:30-8p

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 755-0710.

#### **Book Discussion Group** Mar 18 | Mon | 3-4p **Adults**

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

#### **Princess Storytime** Mar 21 | Thur | 10-11a Ages 3-8 w/parent

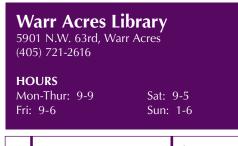
Come hear a princess dressed in her beautiful gown tell a story! There will be an opportunity to have your picture taken with the princesses, so bring your camera! We will also do a simple craft. For children ages 3-8 with parent/adult.

#### Gamefest Mar 21 | Thur | 6:30-8p Teens

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

#### Preschool Play/Storytime Mar 28 | Thur | 10-11a Ages birth to 4 w/parent

Playing with your baby is not only important for bonding, but it is also an educational experience for your child. We are providing a special time and place for you to come to the library and spend one-on-one time playing with your child, followed by a short storytime. Please register by calling 755-0710, or stopping by the Information Desk.



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	N.W. 63rd St.		

See pages 19,23,27,29 & 30 for more Warr Acres Library programs/events.

#### **Trip Around the World** Mar 2,16 | Sat | 2-3:30p Grades 3-6

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

#### **Pajama Story Time** Mar 5 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p Ages 2 1/2 to 5 years with adult

Bring your preschooler and fun activities and bedtime stories with Miss Alma and her puppets. Fruit snacks will be provided for everyone.

#### **Gardening with a Master Gardener** Mar 7 | Thur | 1:30-3p **Adults**

Join us for an informative program with Ray Ridlen. Ray has been with the Oklahoma County OSU Cooperative Extension Service for the past 20 years. His knowledge in the areas of gardening, landscaping, pest control, plant selection and plant maintenance has made him a local authority.

#### Warr Acres Book Club Mar 11 | Mon | 11a-Noon Adults

Join us in discussing S. J. Watson's first novel, Before I Go to Sleep. Every day Christine wakes up not knowing where she is. Her memories disappear every time she falls asleep. Her name, her identity, and her past are all forgotten overnight.

#### **Story Time for Preschoolers** Mar 12,26 | Tue | 10-10:30a Ages 2 and 3 with adult

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

#### **Story Time for Preschoolers** Mar 12,26 | Tue | 10:45-11:30a Ages 4 and 5 years with adult

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

#### **Playtime for Babies and Tots** Mar 13,20,27 | Wed | 9:15-10a and 10:30am-11:15am Ages 8-30 months w/adult

Chose one of two sessions. 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.

#### **LEGO Club at Your Library** Mar 16 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a

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

#### **Techno Bravo** Mar 20 and 21 | Wed and Thur | 6-8p Ages 12-17

Come be a star! We're making a music video on these two dates. Please come in or call 721-2616 to register.

# FSI

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

#### **Belle Isle Library**

Tuesdays & Thursdays | 9:30a-12:30p Mar 5,7,12,14,26,28 Teens and older

For questions and to register, come to the class. **Cosponsor: OKC Public Schools** 

#### **Edmond Library**

**Intermediate ESL** Mondays & Wednesdays | 1:30-4:30p Mar 4,6,11,13,25,27 Adults

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

**Beginning ESL** Mondays & Wednesdays | 6-8:30p Mar 4,6,11,13,25,27 **Adults** 

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

#### **Midwest City Library**

Mar 5,7 | Tue & Thur | 6-8:30p Adults

Register by calling 682-7873. Cosponsor: OCCC

#### **Warr Acres Library**

Mondays & Wednesdays | 6-8:30p Mar 4,6,11,13,25,27 **Adults** 

Call 686-6222 to register. Cosponsor: OCCC



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

#### **Capitol Hill Library**

Mar 4,6,25,27 | Mon & Wed | 1-4p Age 16 and older

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

#### **Edmond Library**

Mar 5,7,12,14,26,28 | Tue & Thur 6-8:30p Adults

Register by calling 682-7873. Cosponsor: OCCC

#### **Midwest City Library**

Mar 4 | Mon & Wed | 6-8:30p Adults

Register by calling 733-7392. Cosponsor: OCCC

#### **Northwest Library**

Mar 5,7,12,14,26,28 | Tue & Thur 6:15-8:45p **Adults** 

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

#### Ralph Ellison Library

Mar 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 5:30-8:30p Ages 16-adult

Cosponsor: OKC Adult Learning Center

# HEALTH & WELLNESS



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

#### **Bethany Library**

Developmental Screenings Mar 1 | Fri | 9a-Noon Ages birth to 5 years w/guardian

#### **Belle Isle Library**

Developmental Screenings Mar 6 | Wed | Noon-4:30p Ages birth to 5 years w/guardian

#### Capitol Hill Library

Developmental Screenings
Mar 7 | Thur | 1-3p
Ages birth to 5 years w/guardian

#### **Del City Library**

Developmental Screenings Mar 25 | Mon | 9-Noon Birth to 5 years w/parent

#### **Edmond Library**

Child Development
Screenings
Mar 27 | Wed | 1-5p
Birth to 5 years w/parent

#### **Northwest Library**

Child Development
Screenings
Mar 28 | Thur | 9a-Noon
Birth to 5 years w/parent

#### **Southern Oaks Library**

Child Guidance Screenings Mar 27 | Wed | 12:30-4:30p Birth to age 5 w/parent

#### **The Village Library**

Developmental Screenings Mar 13 | Wed | 1-5p Birth-5 years w/parent

#### **Warr Acres Library**

Child Guidance Screenings Mar 27 | Wed | 1-5:30p Birth to age 5 w/parent

#### Tai Chi - OCCHD

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

#### **Edmond Library**

Tai Chi Mar 4,7,11,14,18,21,25,28 | Mon & Thur 2-3p Adults



#### Wellness

### Northwest Library Total Wellness

Mar 6,13,27 | Wed | 2:30-4p All ages

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

#### **Ralph Ellison Library**

Diabetes

African American Community Diabetes Prevention Partners Mar 25 | Mon | 11:30a-12:30p All ages

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





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### Off the Beaten Path

#### ... Discovering New Literary Treasures

We're getting closer by the minute to the day when Uncle Sam holds out his hand, clears his throat meaningfully, and refuses to break eye contact until we pay up. Well, we're not going to rub it in so *info* is officially altering one of the oldest of clichés to say that nothing is inevitable but death and taxidermy. Here is a pair of books that prove it.

Kerr, Gordon. *Goners: The Final Hours of the Notable and Notorious*. 920.02/K412g

This one will score highly on your personal Morbid-Curiosity-O-Meter. It may be counterintuitive to say that death can be a lot of fun—except for the guest of honor, of course—but author Kerr makes you think so. Personally, I've always smiled at the death of Union General John Sedgwick at the Civil War Battle of Spotsylvania who rallied his men with a rousing "They couldn't hit an elephant at this distance!" just seconds before being shot by a sniper.

Milgrom, Melissa. *Still Life: Adventures in Taxidermy*. 590.752/M6442s

Adventures in taxidermy? Sounds odd, right? Where would the adventure lie, unless a bear awoke from a deep hibernation just when you were about to slip in the scalpel. But Milgrom includes in her book the adventures of naturalists and explorers in the wild, as well as the artisans and museum historians, who adapt and bring the outdoor experience inside.



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