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It's been a couple of months since school started up again and the kids are ready for an excuse to be silly and blow off a little steam. Autumnal relief, thy name is Halloween.

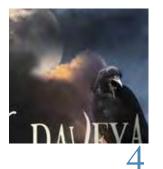
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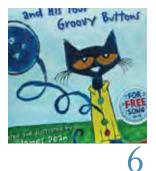
MLS is presenting the biggest and best slate of Halloween related events we've had in many a year. We've got everything from dress-up parties for pre-schoolers to Undead Extravaganzas and craft programs to bring out your inner zombie. You can catch some scary movies, a magic show, and even a Cimarron Opera Company production based on three traditional folk tales. "A Grimm Affair" will be featured at nine MLS locations.

We'll get the holiday started in this issue of *info* as our Oklahoma Memories article relates a true Oklahoma Territory ghost story from our Folklore Collection. You can access other nuggets of Oklahoma spookiness and superstitions from our website, *www.metrolibrary.org*.

Next month, when we highlight Thanksgiving, we might be a little more sedate. Unless the ghosts of last year's turkeys come back to haunt us.







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This is another annual celebration in October, a time for us to say "Thank You" to everyone who uses MLS libraries in person or online. This year, we're saying it in as many ways as we can.

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Celebrating Teens who read is an annual event at MLS. Here's what Teens can look for in 2013.

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Oklahoma Memories

A CRAVERARD SPECTRE



Librarian/Historian Larry Johnson is taking October off again this year, so once more we are unearthing a "true" ghost story from the Oklahoma Memories section of our website. Take a look for other ghostly tales, as well as folklore and vintage poetry.

This year's eerie yarn was submitted to our Folklore Collection in 1936 by Robert Willigan of Krebs. — ed

r. Willigan was born in 1869 and his paranormal adventure took place when he was a young man living in Milton, about six miles east of McCurtain.

"Our house," he wrote, "was located just across the road from a cemetery and only one other house was located nearby. One day I forgot to feed and water my hogs, which were about 100 feet west of the house. As I raised up from pouring the water into the trough, my eyes turned instinctively toward the cemetery, for my mother was buried there.

"As I looked, I halted in amazement for, in the gathering gloom I saw a misty white form moving among the tombstones. The ghostly thing drew nearer and soon left the confines of the graveyard and headed in the direction of my neighbor's house. As I watched, it disappeared around the side of the house. I ran back to my own house and then I heard screaming from the neighbor's

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place. It was a common occurrence for him to beat up his wife, but tonight there was a ring of terror in the screams that could not be denied.

"I turned and started running in the direction of the screams. As I reached my neighbor's door and plunged inside, I saw the wraith-like form of the apparition I had seen coming from the cemetery, rise from my neighbor's prostrate form and apparently melt through the wall of the house. His wife was crouched in the corner of the room moaning. I helped her to her feet and turned my attention to the man. After a few minutes he recovered enough to tell what had happened.

"According to his story the ghostly figure came into the house and clutched his throat with icy fingers. It was his screams I had heard as he tried to fight off the clutching inhuman fingers.

"My neighbor did not say much but never again did I hear of him laying a harmful finger on his wife."

Reviews & Recommendations



The Golem and The Jinni by Helene Wecker

It is very rare to find a story that is unique enough to be called one-of-a-kind but this is definitely the case with Wecker's first novel, *The Golem and The Jinni*. Harper publishing has done a wonderful job in creating a book that even looks special with its royal blue and gold cover design, with the blue edged pages that transport the reader to a magical world. The title alone is fascinating enough to evoke curiosity in the reader. What is a golem and a jinni one may ask?

Chava Rotfield is the name of the golem, a life-like creature made of clay that is brought to life by her master, a disgraced Jew who dabbles in dark magic and dies at sea on the voyage from Poland to New York. She is taken in by a rabbi who recognizes what she is and takes pity on her as a new immigrant in a foreign country.

Ahmad is the jinni in the story, a being of fire, born in the ancient Syrian desert who becomes trapped in an old tin flask for a thousand years, and finds himself suddenly released in Manhattan by an astonished Syrian tinmaker,



reviewed by Christine Bassett

who gives him employment.

Ahmad and Chava become unlikely friends in New York in the 1890's in this part historical novel, part fantasy which describes the trials and tribulations of the immigrant experience from their perspective. The storyline develops further when the golem's creator, Yehudah Schaalman, comes to New York in search of eternal life and meets up with the golem.

Chosen by Amazon Editors as the *Best Book Of The Month* for April 2013 and one of the top ten books of the year so far, *The Golem and The Jinni* is a magical absorbing read which is a page-turner in the truest sense as the reader becomes thoroughly absorbed, not wanting to stop until reluctantly reaching the end.

This title is also available from MLS in audio and digital formats.

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.





Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons by Eric Litwin, created and Illustrated by James Dean

Pete the Cat is wearing his favorite shirt with four big, colorful, GROOVY buttons. He loves his buttons so much that he even sings a song about them. "My buttons, my buttons, my four groovy buttons."

But while singing his song, one of the buttons pops off and rolls away. The reader is asked to do a little easy math to figure out how many buttons are left. "Did Pete cry? Goodness, no! Buttons come and buttons go." Pete keeps singing his song with an adjustment to the number of buttons on his shirt. One by one, Pete loses reviewed by Melissa Weathers

all his buttons as he's singing his song. When all the buttons are gone, Pete looks down and sees...his belly button! He continues singing his song "My button, my button, still have my belly button."

My two boys love dancing to the song while I hold up the book so they can enjoy the colorful pictures. We'll be checking out the other Pete the Cat books! For ages 2-6.

Melissa Weathers is a Materials Selector for the library system. She loves singing about buttons with her boys, Noah and Gabriel.





reviewed by Phyllis Davidson

than anticipated. When they return home, Clara decides to leave her family and walk on alone. It's hard to say whether the story of the journey, which is based on fact, or the fictionalized story of the remainder of Clara's life, is more riveting. They both clearly illustrate the power and heartbreak of a woman who attempts to live her life without the support of a family.

This title is also in audio and digital formats.

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.



reviewed by Jana Hausburg



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She Left Me the Gun: My Mother's Life Before Me by Emma Brockes

"Tony has corroborated that aspect of my mother's story I always found it hardest to believe: not that there was abuse, but that there was, in spite of it, such tenderness."

Emma's mother had dropped hints about a troubled South African childhood. When she died, she left behind clues: stories and an old-fashioned trunk full of letters and photographs. As a treasured only child, grown into a journalist, her daughter could not resist the lure of her mother's dark mystery.

What had spurred Paula to emigrate to England, leaving behind seven younger siblings? There were rumors of incest, courtroom dramas, a shooting, murder. What were the facts? As Emma delves deeper into her mother's past, she journeys to South Africa to uncover the secrets that shaped her family's lives.

Some women who endure sexual and physical violence as children can grow up to be abusers themselves, or

mask their pain with alcohol or drug dependency; others react in opposite ways, worrying about their "girl children" being in danger in every aspect of life. For these women, there is intense pressure to keep the child safe, to protect the child, to control the environment in every possible way. That was Emma's childhood, a polar opposite from her own mother's experience.

The gun Paula used to shoot her own father (five times, though he didn't die) was silver, with a pearl handle. Small and somewhat delicate, it was still illegal to have in the house, and Emma's father once threatened to throw it into the Grand Union Canal.

"You'll do no such thing!" her mother raged. "I'm very fond of that gun."

I am very fond of this memoir.

With her incredible book knowledge and sharply-honed survivor skills, Jana Hausburg is humanity's best chance in a zombie apocalypse. She is also the manager at the Capitol Hill Library.

Domestic worker Clara Estby has her future planned.

She is sure her employer's son is in love with her and

will ask her to be his wife. Imagine her anger when

her mother, Helga, insists that Clara quit her job and

accompany her on a walk from Spokane, Washington

within seven months, they will be awarded \$10,000;

Although Helga's husband forbids them to make the

journey, they start out, intending to follow the railroad

The obstacles they encounter, and the attitude of the

family they left behind, make the journey much harder

money needed to save the family farm from foreclosure.

to New York City. If they can complete the walk

The Daughter's Walk

by Jane Kirkpatrick

tracks all the way.

Reviews & Recommendations



7: An Experimental Mutiny Against Excess by Jen Hatmaker

It's no secret that today's world is fast paced, overindulged, over stimulated, overwhelmed, and increasingly unbalanced. Jen Hatmaker, author and speaker, takes a radical idea and starts mini-revolution in her book 7: An Experimental Mutiny Against Excess. This is the book that will change the way you think about everything.

Hatmaker took a seven month quest to rid her family's life of seven areas of excess. She launched an assault against too much food, clothing, media, money, possessions, waste and stress. You can follow her lead.

Month one, eat only seven foods the whole month. During that month, become educated about the plight of the hungry in your community and worldwide.

Month two, choose only seven articles of clothing to wear the entire month and learn how clothes and accessories define the way you feel about yourself, and how others react to you. ON THE SHELF

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reviewed by Jennifer Jones

Month three, fast from media unless needed for work. Spend time connecting with actual humans, getting physical activity, and allowing your brain to relax. Skip the scroll, and take a stroll. Feel the freedom.

Month four, decide to spend your money in only seven places. Decide to limit your dollars to places that might cause the most good. Hatmaker decided to spend her money primarily in the local community.

More cuts follow during months five, six, and seven. Hatmaker wrote this book as a personal journal chronicling her own battle against excess, but she inspired a mini-revolution of like-minded individuals who wished for a simpler, slower lifestyle.

Jennifer is the Children's Services Associate Librarian at the Capitol Hill Library. She loves reading, music, and doing fun, spontaneous things with her kids.



reviewed by Doug Bentin



The Devil's Needle & Other Tales of Vice and Redemption

Here's an odd duck of a DVD which at first doesn't seem to have much viewer appeal, but which on second glance, well, still doesn't. That said, what it lacks in broad appeal it more than makes up for in sociological and cinema-historical interest.

The disc contains three silent films: *The Devil's Needle* (1916), *The Inside of the White Slave Traffic* (1913), and *Children of Eve* (1915). The first deals with drug addiction, and isn't half as campy as you think it'll be. Twenty years before the risible *Reefer Madness*, this one takes an honest look at the ease of addiction and the hell of breaking the grip. *White Slave Traffic* will still be of interest to anyone concerned with sex trafficking, and *Children of Eve* tackles the problem of wretched

living conditions in big city slums and culminates in a recreation of the infamous Triangle Shirtwaist fire of 1911.

The prints are unrestored and sometimes the images are hard to make out, but this never makes following the plots difficult.

Aficionados of silent film will enjoy seeing movies they've never seen before. If you're just beginning to explore silent pictures, this may not be the first disc you'll want to check out (comedy is usually the best place to start) but true fans will want to take a look.

Doug Bentin discovered silent movies in the second grade and is still a fan of Snub Pollard.



Customer Appreciation Month Diolch i chi, Di ou mèsi, Dhan'yavāda – And We Really Mean It



here are as many ways to say "Thank you" as there are people to say it to. Above are three ways—Welch, Haitian Creole, and Hindi. Paraphrasing an old song, it only helps us tell you how much we appreciate you for trusting us with your informational and entertainment needs.

No one gets a job at a library in hopes of getting rich. Library staff is not in it for the money.

But we know that money is not the only measure of personal wealth, and not even the primary indicator for people who want to spend their days helping people find information they want and need. Sure, the Internet is a good means of getting data, but as novelist Neil Gaiman noted, Google can get you 10,000 answers while a librarian can get you right one.

You understand that, and we appreciate the fact that you keep coming back to us. We call you our "Customer," but we think of you as our Friend and thank you for coming in to see us as often as you do.

So this year we chose to say "Thank You In Many Languages."

Whether we say it in French, Spanish, Russian, Farsi, Cherokee, Hawaiian, Japanese, Greek, Swahili, Italian, Chinese, German, Norwegian, Vietnamese or Polish, you know what we mean.



When it's time for teens—and everyone else—to Seek the Unknown, what better place to start looking than your neighborhood MLS library?





aybe this will come as a surprise to you, given the less-than-positive coverage they frequently get from the media, but teens read. Publishers know it, releasing nearly 5,000 titles every year for the teen market. Even Hollywood knows it, and

writer William Goldman famously assured us that in Hollywood "Nobody knows anything."

And, of course, we know it. And celebrate it every October, which is Teen Read Month.

Our theme this year is "Seek the Unknown," and teens are the right age group for wanting

to do just that. With a lineup of special events and opportunities, we can help.

One of the most intriguing Teen Read Month programs is going on all month at the Almonte Library. It's called "Blind Date With a YA Book" and for once making a blind date doesn't have to provoke any nervousness. Library staff will select both popular and lesser known Young Adult titles and wrap each book separately. Teens can then pick any of the books, check it out, read it, then rate it. The "Rate Your Date" form will then enter the reader for a special prize. Now that's actively seeking the unknown with a vengeance. Teens will also want to check out the "Read the Movie: *Warm Bodies*" event at Downtown Library, and the "Book to Movie Program: *Beautiful Creatures*" at Choctaw Library.

We know that the obverse of teen reading is teen writing, and we're providing opportunities for that as well in October. Check out the Writing and Art Contest, or become a "Journal

_____ Junkie" at Northwest

Library, and find out about "Writing for College Admissions" at Edmond Library.

We've also got a full slate of events especially related to Halloween. This year, the living dead will rise to new heights with a makeup craft program at Choctaw and

an "Undead Extravaganza," followed later in the month with a "Zombie Movie Matinee," both at Southern Oaks Library, where they know you can't keep a good corpse down.

Bethany Library is taking a more scientific look at the really *dead* dead with 'Forensic Osteology: Human Skulls." There will also be other science related events at The Village and Warr Acres Libraries.

Take a look at the Calendar of Events in this issue to discover dates and times for these programs, as well gaming and cultural events.

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Almonte Library

See pages 19 & 30 for more Almonte Library programs/events.

Blind Date with a YA Book Oct 1-31 Ages 12-18

Are you brave enough to seek the unknown? Any teen who checks out a blind date book which will be specially wrapped and on display, reads it, and fills out a Rate Your Date form will be entered to win a prize! This program is part of Teen Read Month and lasts one month.

Toddler Aerobics Oct 1,15 | Tue | 10:30-11a Ages 2-4

Parents/caregivers are invited to bring their toddlers and enjoy fun aerobics activities to help with your child's development of fine and gross motor skills and promote learning in a fun way. Come in or call to sign-up.

After School at Your Library Oct 2,9 | Wed | 4-5p Ages 10-16

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

Trip Around the World Oct 5,19 | Sat | 2-3:30p Grades 1 through 5

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 first through fifth grades is sponsored by the Junior League of Oklahoma City. Kids will have a great time learning about cultures all over the globe. The program is free, but space is limited so preregister at the Information Desk or call the library. Cosponsor: Junior League of Oklahoma City.

Preschool Story Time Oct 8,22 | Tue | 10:30-11a **Ages 3-5**

Help your child build early literacy skills. Join us for stories, songs, fingerplays and simple crafts. Please call-606-3575 or stop by the library to sign up.

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play With Me Oct 8,15,22,29 | Tue | 2-3p Infants to 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 to play 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.

Almonte Knitting Club Oct 10 | Thur | 5:30-7:30p Adults

Are you a knitter? Interested in learning? If so, join Almonte Library's monthly knitting club. Bring your current project, or just bring yarn and knitting needles and we can teach you how to get started! Crocheters and other needleworkers are welcome too, but we will only be teaching knitting. Call the Information Desk at 606-3576 to be added to the club's membership list.

Almonte Book Club Oct 17 | Thur | 6-7p Adults

Come on down to AL's Book Club! We will be reading a variety of wonderful fiction and nonfiction. Contact the Information Desk at 606-3576 to find out this month's title and to put a copy on reserve.

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AARP Driver's Safety Program Oct 23 | Wed | 9:30a-3:30p Adults

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Attend the AARP Driver's Safety Program to learn to be a better driver and save money. The state of Oklahoma authorizes a 3 year discount for licensed drivers 16 and over who successfully complete a driver's course. Sign up at the Information Desk or call 606-3576. Cost for course materials is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members. Cosponsor: AARP.

Little Al's Book Club Oct 24 | Thur | 5:30-6:30p Ages 8-11

Like to read and meet other kids your age who enjoy a good book? Then come be a part of Lil' Al's Book Club! We will meet the fourth Thursday of each month except in Nov. and Dec. There will be snacks, crafts and book trivia for special door prizes. Call the library at 606-3575 or stop by to find out this month's book selection and reserve your copy. Preregistration is required.

Halloween Make 'n' Take Craft Oct 26 | Sat | 2-3p All ages

Looking for some early Halloween fun? Stop by and make a mini jack-o-lantern, treat bag, door decoration, or other spooky crafts. Fun for the whole family! All supplies and treats will be provided. Come by the library or call 606-3575 to sign up.

Parachute Play

Oct 29 | Tue | 10:30-11a Ages 3-5

Children will delight in playing with a large colorful parachute. Parachute play promotes social skills, teamwork and development of large and small motor skills. Class size is limited. Please come by or call 606-3575 to sign-up.

Belle Isle Library

See pages 19 and 30 for more Belle Isle Library programs/events.

Gaming Club Oct 1,8,15,22,29 | Tue | 4-5p Teens

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

After School at Your Library Oct 3,10,31 | Thur | 4-5p Ages 10-16

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

Service Core of Retired Executives (SCORE) Counseling Oct 5,19 | Sat | 9:30a-Noon 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).

Cimarron Opera Presents a Grimm Affair Oct 10 | Thur | 7-8p All ages

Featuring three short operas based on Tales from the Brothers Grimm. You will hear the amazing voices of Cimarron Opera showcasing the beauty and comedy of opera. Audiences come away from Cimarron Opera performances exclaiming, "I didn't know how much I loved opera!" and you will too! Cosponsor: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Riders on the Orphan Train Oct 16 | Wed | 6:30-7:30p All ages

True stories of 250,000 children who were put on trains in New York and sent all over the US from 1854 through 1929 to be given away, are told through music, video presentation of archived photos, and recorded interviews with two survivors. The program will be followed by a question and answer session. If you have an Orphan Train story of a family member, please come and share.

Metro OKC Knit Guild Group Meeting Oct 20 | Sun | 3-5p Teens-adults

Join a group of kindred spirits to knit and chat. All knitters from want-a-bees 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 Oct 21 | 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.

Bethany Library

After School at Your Library Oct 2,9,16,23,30 | Wed | 4-5p Ages 10-16

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

Fall Story & Craft Time Oct 3 | Thur | 10-10:45a Ages 3-6

Enjoy stories, songs, nursery rhymes, a traditional flannel board story and a fun craft. For child with an adult. Please preregister at the Information Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

The Children's Hour Evening Story Time Oct 3 | Thur | 6:30-7p Oct 8 | 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, est. 3.

Yu-Gi-Oh! Club Oct 5 | Sat | 10-11:30a Teens (Ages 12-18)

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

Family Place 1-2-3 Play With Me Oct 10,17,24 | Thur | 9:30-10:15a and 10:30-11:15a

Infants to 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 to play 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.

Customer Appreciation Tea Oct 12 | Sat | 2-3p

Ages 6 to 36 months

Harpist Jill Justice, will play for this open house event. This is a free come and go event. Refreshments will be served.

Craft a Star with Myra Woodside Oct 17 | Thur | 6:30-8p Adults

Instructor Myra Woodside will teach how to needlpoint on canvas. A star for decoration or gift giving for the holidays. All supplies furnished. Call for reservations 789-8363 ext.3. Light refreshments served after the class

Forensic Osteology: Human Skulls Oct 19 | Sat | 2-3p Teens (Ages 12-18)

"Seek the Unknown" in this crime lab-based program focusing on the forensic investigation of various types of trauma to the human skull. After basic introductions, the students will break-up into teams using forensic science tools to evaluate and document key evidence to discover what happened. Since museum quality replicas of human skulls from actual crime scenes are used, this program is recommended for mature teens. Call 789-3863 Ext. 3 to register.

Bones About It: Why Birds Can Fly Oct 26 | Sat | 2-3p Grades 3-5

Introduces students to the various skeletal adaptations that enable birds to soar the sky. Working in teams, participants will gain hands-on experience observing and comparing various skeletal specimens, and then communicate their findings to the class. Presented by the Museum of Osteology. The class is free. Please preregister at the library Information Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

Little Jack-O-Lanterns' Oct 31 | Thur | 10-10:45a Ages 3-6

Come dressed in your favorite costume and enjoy a Halloween story, songs and rhymes, a Halloween craft and a tasty treat! Costume optional. Preregistration required. Sign up at the Information Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

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Capitol Hill Library

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

Tell Me a Story: Book & Craft Oct 1 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a Preschool

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. Please call 634-6308 for more information.

Capitol Hill Chess Club Oct 1 | Tue | 4-5p

Kids/Teens

Play chess or learn to play chess one Tuesday a month.

Rock & Read With the Musical Mom Oct 1 | Tue | 6:30-7:15p Babies, toddlers, pre-school,families

Music and learning go hand in hand. Bond to the beat with the Musical Mom and help your child learn early language and literacy skills. Children will experience live music, get hands-on exposure to instruments, dance, sing and be creative, all while learning language and literacy skills! The Musical Mom joins us from the Kindie Rock duo Chasing James. They have been a popular act during the past two Summer at the Library tours!

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play With Me Oct 2,9,16,23 | Wed | 11a-Noon Infants to age 4 w/parent

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Safari After School Homework Help & Reading Practice Oct 2,7,9,28,30 | Mon & Wed | 4-6p Grades K-8

Volunteers will be standing by to offer one-onone 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! Sign in at the library to participate.

Mother Goose on the Loose: Babies & Tots Oct 3,10,17,24,31 | Thur | 10:30-11a Ages 2 and younger with caregiver

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.

After School at Your Library Oct 3,10,31 | Thur | 4-5p Ages 10-16

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

Star Wars Reads Day Oct 4 | Fri | 4-5p Kids/Teens

Join us for a stellar celebration of Star Wars and books! Trivia, treats, and prizes.

Intermediate Spanish Oct 7,21,28 | 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 nights September 9th-December 9th. Register by calling the library, or sign up at the Information Desk.

Tell Me a Story: Building Blocks or Kiddie Yoga Oct 8 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a

Oct 8 | Iue | 10:30-11:30a Preschool

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

Beyblade Club Oct 8 | Tue | 6-7p Kids-Teens Bring your Beyblades and let it rip!

Advice for Parents: Establishing Routines Consejos para Padres Establecer Rutinas Oct 8 | Tue | 7-8p Adults

Behaviorial Health Community Advocate, Armando Prado, will present tips and answer parent questions about establishing routines for bedtime, morning, homework, hygiene and more. This workshop can be taught in English or Spanish. Call 634-6308 to reserve your spot! Cosponsor: New Day Counseling.

Bilingual Story Time: English y Español Oct 9 | Wed | 6:30-7:30p Ages 10 and younger

Like stories? Like culture? Come to the library with your little one to experience story time in both Spanish and English.

¿Te gusta historias? ¿Cultura? Ven a la biblioteca con tu pequeñito y visite nuestro tiempo de cuentos en inglés y español.

Art in the Afternoon for Families: Galaxy Paintings

Oct 12 | Sat | 2-4p Ages 8 and older

Enjoy a day of creativity with your family at your friendly neighborhood library! We have a different craft or art project each month. Come relax with us! All supplies are provided. Please call 634-6308 for more information.

Tell Me a Story: Parachute Play or Play Dough Power!

Oct 15 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a Ages 6 and younger with adult

Parachute play is an excellent way to help children learn how to be 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. Please call 634-6308 for more information. Number of attendees determines which activity we do.

Kids on the Hill Book Club: What's Scary? Oct 15 | Tue | 4-5:30p Grades 2-5

Join us once a month for Kids on the Hill Book Club. Readers can enjoy a variety of age appropriate fiction and non-fiction stories, learn new crafts and activities. Participants will receive a special treat! Kids under 10 must attend with an adult.

Science Kids Club Oct 17 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p Grades 1-6

Come have fun with some hands on science! We will feature a different project every month. All supplies will be provided. Please call ahead to register, supplies will be limited. 634-6308.

SYSTEM PRESENTS:

We have a fun and educational series of programs lined up for kids ages 10-16, and it's all FREE! Just call the library for information or to sign up.

Capitol Hill Library (634-6308) Thursdays, 4-5pm with Savannah Mitchell October 3, 10, 31, November 7, 14, 21

Del City Library (672-1377) Wednesdays, 4-5pm with Savannah Mitchell October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, November 6

Ralph Ellison Library (424-1437) Wednesdays, 4:30-5:30pm with Natasha Corso October 2, 9, 30, November 6, 13, 20

Southern Oaks Library (631-4468) Thursdays, 4-5pm with Nathan Lee October 3, 10, 31, November 7, 14, 21

Belle Isle Library (843-9601) Thursdays, 4-5pm with Scott Delsigne October 3, 10, 31, November 7, 14, 21

Village Library (755-0710) Mondays, 4-5pm with Kiona Millirons October 7, 28, November 4, 11, 18, 25

Almonte Library (606-3575) Wednesdays, 4-5pm with Nathan Lee October 2, 9, 30, November 6, 13, 20

Midwest City Library (732-4828) Thursdays, 4:30-5:30pm with Natasha Corso November 7, 14, 21, December 5, 12, 19

Bethany Library (789-8363) Wednesdays, 4-5pm with Taryn Parker October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, November 6

Northwest Library (606-3580) Wednesdays, 4-5pm with Kiona Millirons November 6, 13, 20, December 4, 11, 18

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Fall Break Reading Help Oct 21,23 | Mon and Wed | 4-6p Grades K-8

Volunteers will be standing by to offer one-onone 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! Sign in at the library to participate.

Tell Me a Story: Play and Learn Oct 22 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a Age 6 and younger with adult

Open play is an excellent way to help children learn social skills, and learn to that the library is a destination for fun! This story time is the perfect way to introduce the library and all the fun and learning it offers to your little one. Please call 634-6308 for more information.

LEGO Club Oct 22 | Tue | 4-5p Kids - teens

Come build something fun. We provide the blocks, you bring the ideas.

Capitol Hill Gamefest Blowout! Oct 23 | Wed | 7-8p Teens only

Join us once a month for a video game bonanza! Bring your hand-helds too, and play with your friends. (Must be 10 or older to attend.) Thank you for your cooperation!

Annual Halloween Magic Show Oct 26 | Sat | 2-3p All ages

Wear your costumes and enjoy the educational and fun magic show with magician Steve Crawford. Watch a rabbit disappear, a genie come out of a bottle, and more amazing tricks. Stick around after the show for a shazaam of a treat! Call 634-6308 for more information.

Tell Me a Story: Little Bit Spooky Oct 29 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a Preschool

Hear some spooky themed stories and make a fun holiday make and take. All supplies provided.

Spooky Make and Take Oct 29 | Tue | 3-4:30p Kids

Stop by and make a spooky creation to take home. All supplies provided!

Choctaw Library

See pages 19 & 30 for more Choctaw Library programs/events.

Lapsit Storytime Oct 1,8,15,22,29 | Tue | 9:30-10a Ages 6 months-3 years

Parents and children come enjoy simple songs, rhymes, and stories together. Then we will have time for play and social skills.

Preschool Storytime Oct 1.8.15.22.29 | Tue

Oct 1,8,15,22,29 | Tue | 10:30-11a Ages 3-5

Build early literacy skills. Join us for stories, songs, fingerplays and just plain fun. Older and younger siblings are welcome.

Parachute Play Oct 3 | Thur | 10:30-11a Ages 3-5

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

Homework Cafe Oct 3 | Thur | 3-4:30p Teens

Choctaw Library is hosting a monthly Homework Cafe. We will provide a quiet place to work on homework in groups or alone and will have volunteers available to tutor if it is needed. Light refreshments will be provided.

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play With Me Oct 4,11,18,25 | Fri | 10-11a Infants to 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 to play 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.

Star Wars Reads Day Oct 5 | Sat | 2-4p Kids and teens

On this day, in a galaxy far, far away came a celebration of all things Star Wars for children and teens! It's Star Wars Reads Day across America, so come dressed as your favorite character and we'll watch a movie and eat snacks. Don't go to the dark side--come to the library instead! Call 390-8418 for more information, or stop the Information Desk.

Stamp Greeting Card Workshop Oct 8 | Tue | 6:30-8p Adults

Robyn Lewis of Jones, OK will lead this session of unique greeting card making. Creative Robyn will wow you with her magical ideas and techniques. Participants will leave with a creation at the end of the workshop. Cosponsor: EOC Tech center.

Books, Bagels and Biscotti II: Book Talk Oct 10 | Thur | 10-11a Adults

Book Talk highlighting new Fall books in the Choctaw Library collection for adults. Cosponsor: EOC Tech.

Cimarron Opera Presents a Grimm Affair Oct 10 | Thur | 1-2p All ages

Featuring three short operas based on Tales from the Brothers Grimm. You will hear the amazing voices of Cimarron Opera showcasing the beauty and comedy of opera. Audiences come away from Cimarron Opera performances exclaiming, "I didn't know how much I loved opera!" and you will too! Cosponsors: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts

Gamefest

Oct 10 | Thur | 6-7:30p Teens

Game on! Bring your friends and come play video games and board games. Games are rated E, E10+, and T.

Open Play Time Oct 12 | 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.

Irish Dance and Music Celebration Oct 15| Tue | 6-8p All ages

Oklahoma Irish Dancers and Oklahoma City Musician Dustin Cooper will entertain and wow customers to show the Choctaw Library's appreciation. Food, fun and festive time will be the delight of the evening. Cosponsor: EOC Tech.

Zombify Yourself Oct 17 | Thur | 6-7:30p Teens

Learn how to put on realistic looking zombie and monster make up. You'll learn the basics of how to create bruises, open wounds and other gross skin maladies. Whether you're looking for inspiration for Halloween costumes or you just want to freak out your mom, this program is for you!

Kidney Smart Health Workshop Oct 22 | Tue | 6-8p Adults

A representative with DaVita Inc will provide an informative seminar on diet, nutrition, medications and overview of how to maintain healthy kidneys for better quality of life. Resource material will be available. Please preregister. Cosponsor: DaVita, Inc.

Teen Movie Night Oct 24 | Thur | 6-8p Ages 13-18

Teens! Please join the Choctaw Library for a movie screening and popcorn. Please call 390-8418 for movie titles and rating information.

Carved in Stone: Signs and Symbols and Their Meaning Oct 26 | Sat | 10a-Noon

Adults

LuAnn Waters, naturalist and historian will present this workshop on the meaning of various tombstone signs and symbols. Resource materials will be available. Preregistration preferred. Cosponsor: EOC Tech Ctr.

Ookami Anime Club Oct 26 | Sat | 2:30-4p Teens

Share and discuss your favorite Anime and Manga (Japanese drawings and cartoons). Screen new Anime episodes each month! Snacks will be provided so come join the fun! *Anime may contain material that is considered unsuitable for ages 13 and younger.

Spooky, Chilly, JUMP Tales Oct 28 | Mon | 6-7p All ages

Storytellers from Oklahoma will share their "spooky, chilly, jump tales" for all ages. A Renowned Oklahoma Storyteller will be our featured "surprise" storyteller for this event. Light refreshments will be served. Cosponsor: WayWord Tellers, Oklahoma Territory Tellers and EOC Tech.

LEGO Club Oct 30 | Wed | 4-5:30p All ages Build with the Lego Club at the Choctaw Library. Open to all ages. Legos provided. Join us on the last Wednesday or call for more information at 390-8418.

Del City Library

See page 19 for more Del City Library programs/events.

Mother Goose on the Loose Oct 1 | Tue | 10-10:30a Up to age 4

This award winning early literacy program, designed by Betsy Diamant-Cohen, is an interactive storytime for children and their caregivers. Nursery rhymes, music, movement, and more to help your child get ready to read!

Ayumu Anime Club Oct 1 | Tue | 4:30-5:30p Age 13 and older

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.

After School at Your Library Oct 2,9,16,23,30 | Wed | 4-5p Ages 10-16

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

Hooked on Yarn Oct 2,9,16,23,30 | Wed | 6-7p Adults

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

Homework Help Oct 3,7,10,17,21,24,28,31 Mon & Thur | 4-6p K-12th grades

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

Inter-generational Chess Club Oct 4 | Fri | 4-5p All ages Chess players of every age and level are invited

for friendly competition on the first Friday of every month at the Del City Library. For more information please call 672-1377 or visit us at the Information Desk.

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play With Me Oct 8,15,22,29 | Tue | 10-11a Infants to 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-onone 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 at 672-1377 or visiting the Information Desk.

Teen Reads Book Club Oct 8 | Tue | 4:30-5:30p Teens

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

Cimarron Opera Presents a Grimm Affair Oct 11 | Fri | 2-3p All ages

Featuring three short operas based on Tales from the Brothers Grimm. You will hear the amazing voices of Cimarron Opera showcasing the beauty and comedy of opera. Audiences come away from Cimarron Opera performances exclaiming, "I didn't know how much I loved opera!" and you will too! Cosponsors: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System, Oklahoma Arts Council, and National Endowment for the Arts.

Movie Matinee Oct 16 | Wed | 4-6p

All ages

Please join the Del City Library for a movie and popcorn. Call 672-1377 for movie title and rating.

Board Game Geeks Oct 18 | Fri | 4-5:30p All ages

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

LEGO Club Oct 21 | 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 younger than 8 should be accompanied by a parent or guardian. For more information visit us at the Del City Library or call us at 672-1377.

Family Bingo Night Oct 29 | Tue | 6-7p All ages

Are you feeling lucky? Let's hope so, because it is time for a family bingo night! Bring the whole gang on over for some bingo fun at the library.

Del City Book Talk Oct 31 | Thur | 1-2p Adults

Do you read a book and WISH you could discuss it with someone? We want you in our Book Talk group. Come join us the last Thursday of each month from 1-2 pm to discuss that month's selection! We may read fiction one month, mystery the next, and non-fiction the following month. Contact the Information Desk at 672-1377 for this month's title, or come by the library for a copy of the book.

Downtown Library

See page 19 for more Downtown Library programs/events.

Computer Basics Oct 1,8,15 | 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.

Wednesday Night at the Movies Oct 2,9,16,23,30 | Wed | 6-8p Ages 13 and older

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

Urban Sprouts Oct 3,17 | Thur | 10-10:30a Ages 1-5 w/parent

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

Noon Tunes Oct 3,10,17,24,31 | Thur | Noon-1p All ages

Performing in October are: Oct 3: Joe Baxter Oct 10: Savoy Trio Oct 17: Susan Herndon Oct 24: Jill Justice Oct 31: Wayne McEvilly

Paranormal Explorers Oct 4,11,18,25 | Fri | Noon-1p Adults

Searching for ghosts? Think you have hidden psychic talents? Want to know the meaning of your dreams? Bring your lunch (and an open mind!) and join us as we explore a different paranormal topic each Friday in October.

Cimarron Opera Presents a Grimm Affair Oct 6 | Sun | 2:30-3:30p All ages

Featuring three short operas based on Tales from the Brothers Grimm. You will hear the amazing voices of Cimarron Opera showcasing the beauty and comedy of opera. Audiences come away from Cimarron Opera performances exclaiming, "I didn't know how much I loved opera!" and you will too! Cosponsors: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System, Oklahoma Arts Council, and National Endowment for the Arts.

Urban Sprouts - Wild Card Oct 10,31 | Thur | 10-10:30a Ages 1-5 w/parent

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 and fifth Thursday of each month.

Read the Movie Oct 20 | Sun | 2-4p Teens ages 12-17

Read the book *Warm Bodies* by Isaac Marion [bib# 798/1616] and then join us as we screen the film and then discuss the film and book afterwards. Refreshments will be provided. Call 606-3879 for more information and to register.

Music Play With Miss Ginger Oct 24 | Thur | 10-10:45a Ages 1-5 w/parent

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

Edmond Library

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

Lapsit Story Time Oct 1,8,15,22,29 | Tue | 9-9:45a and 10-10:45a and 11-11:45a Birth to 2 years-old

Join us for an early literacy program filled with big time fun! We will have 15 minutes of free play followed by a storytime incorporating books, puppets, flannel pieces, musical instruments, movement, and more. Call or see Miss Amy for preregistration requirements (341-9282, ext.4).

Murder on the Menu: A Cozy Mysteries Book Club Oct 1 | Tue | Noon-1p

Adults Take a lunch break at the

Take a lunch break at the library. Bring your own brown bag lunch (tea and water provided) and join us on the first Tuesday of the month for a discussion about one of the latest cozy mysteries. In October we will be discussing *Widow's Tears*, a China Bayles Mystery by Susan Wittig Albert. Herbalist and ex-lawyer China Bayles is drawn into the mystery of a haunted house. Space is limited, so please call the library at 341-9282 x3 to reserve a place and to reserve a copy of this month's book.

Writing for College Admissions Oct 1 | Tue | 7-8p Teens

Meet with representatives from the University of Oklahoma who will provide tips and advice for your college application essay, admissions paperwork, and scholarship applications. Applicants to any college or university are welcome. High school seniors only. To register, call (405) 341-9282 or e-mail mhuntwilson@ metrolibrary.org. Cosponsor: University of Oklahoma.

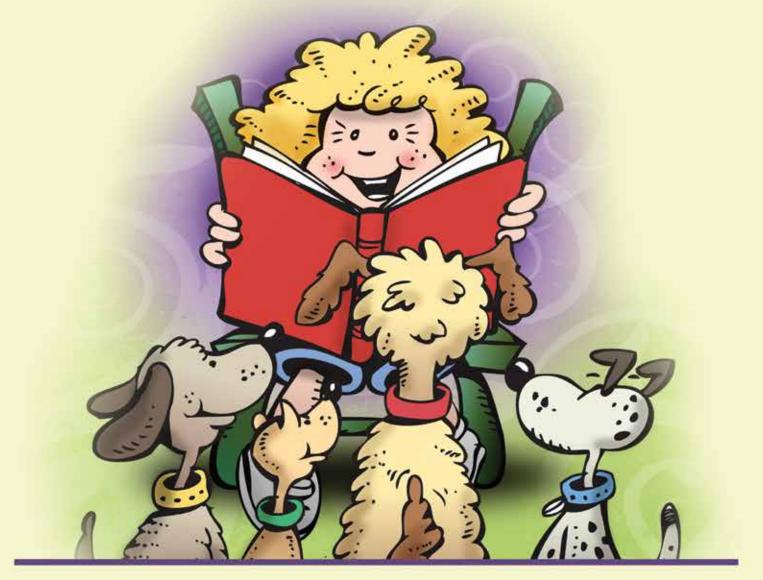
Baby Bounce

Oct 2,9,16,23,30 | Wed | 9-9:45a Birth to 15 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 books designed to develop their emerging literacy and language skills. Call or see Miss Amy to preregister (341-9282, ext. 4).

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.



Almonte Library Belle Isle Library Capitol Hill Library Capitol Hill Library Choctaw Library

Choctaw Library Del City Library Mondays, 7-8pm Mondays, 6-7pm Saturday, Oct 12, 1-2pm Wednesday, Oct 16, 6-7pm Saturday, Oct 12, 3-4pm Register at the Information Desk or call 390-8418 Wednesday, Oct 16, 4-5p

Thursday, Oct 10,24, 6:30-7:30pm Register at the Information Desk or call 672-1377

Downtown Library

Saturday, Oct 19, 3-4pm

Edmond Library Midwest City Library Nicoma Park Library

Northwest Library The Village Library The Village Library Warr Acre Library Tuesday, Oct 1,15, 6:30-7:30pm Tuesdays, Oct 8,22, 7-7:30pm Register at the Information Desk or call 732-4828 Thursday, Oct 3, 4-4:45pm

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Mondays, 6-7pm Wednesdays, 6-7pm Thursdays, 3:30-4:30pm Thursday, Oct 10, 6:30-7:30pm

55+ Coffee Break Oct 2,9,16,23,30 | Wed | 9:30-11a Seniors

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

Toddler Time Oct 2,9,16,23,30 | Wed | 10-10:45a and 11-11:45a 2-Year-olds

Toddler Time is a storytime just for the terrific 2 year-old in your life. We will have 15 minutes of free play followed by a storytime, incorporating books, music, rhymes, and movement. It's a fun way to encourage their emerging language, literacy, and social skills. Call or see Miss Amy to preregister (341-9282, ext. 4).

Computer Tutoring Oct 2-31 | Wed, Thur, Fri | 1-4p Adult

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

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play With Me Oct 3,10,17,24 | Thur | 10:30-11:30a Infants to 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 to play 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.

Manga & Anime Club Oct 3 | Thur | 4-5p Teens

Local teens meet to discuss, watch, or draw anime and manga. Snacks are provided and this club is free to join! Some material is rated Teen and above may not be suitable for younger teens or children.

Pajamatime Oct 3,10,17,24,31 | Thur | 6:30-7:15p Ages 1-3

Come shake your sillies out before bedtime!

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

AARP Driver's Safety Program Oct 5 | Sat | 9:30a-3p Ages 16 and older

Attention ALL drivers! If you want to learn how to be a better driver AND save money, attend the AARP Driver's Safety Program and become eligible for a discount on your auto insurance premium. The cost is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members, payable in cash or by check. Space is limited. Please register, beginning September 3rd, at the Information Desk or by calling 341-9282x3. Cosponsor: AARP.

Stamp Club Oct 5 | Sat | 10a-Noon Grades 4 and higher

Hey kids, are you looking for a new hobby? Join experienced stamp collectors who can guide you in this rewarding venture. We meet on the first Saturday of every month. Call Muriel at 285-2978 to register.

Creative Writing for Kids Oct 5 and 6 | Sat and Sun | 3-4p Grades 3 and higher

Back by popular demand! If you missed the summer Creative Writing class with Ryan McKinley, then come join us for a weekend packed full of everything you need to get your imagination (and your pencils!) working. You will learn about Character, Conflict, and Conclusion into two 1-hour sessions. This is a 2-day commitment (Oct. 5th & 6th) that will be well worth your time! Call 341-9282, ext. 4 to register.

Advanced Farsi Oct 6,13,20,27 | Sun | 1:30-2:30p Adults and teens

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

Beginning Farsi Oct 6,13,20,27 | Sun | 2:30-3:30p Adults and teens

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

Preschool Story Time Oct 7,21,28 | Mon | 10-10:30a and 11-11:30a Ages 3-5 Join Miss Kari for story time! There will be

John Wilss Kan for story time: There will

special stories, fun fingerplays, silly songs, hidden objects, occasional crafts, and exciting activities. Come be part of the fun!

Chess Club Oct 7,21 | Mon | 5-6p Kids and Teens

If you are interested in chess, come play (or learn to play) at chess club! We will meet the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month. All ages and skill levels are welcome. Guidance and materials will be provided. Call 341-9282 to register.

Cimarron Opera Presents a Grimm Affair Oct 8 | Tue | 1-2p All ages

Featuring three short operas based on Tales from the Brothers Grimm. You will hear the amazing voices of Cimarron Opera showcasing the beauty and comedy of opera. Audiences come away from Cimarron Opera performances exclaiming, "I didn't know how much I loved opera!" and you will too! Cosponsors: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System, Oklahoma Arts Council, and National Endowment for the Arts.

In Stitches: Edmond Library Needlecraft Oct 8 | Tue | 6:30-8:30p Adults

Do you enjoy needlework and visiting with others who do? Join us monthly; on the second Tuesday, to work on your own project or learn a new skill. Develop your skills further by exchanging tips with your needlework friends. In October the group project will be making a Christmas napkin. Please bring your own scissors. Call Donna Hodges at 348-4120 for more information.

GED Orientation Oct 10 | Thur | 5:30-8:30p Adults age 16 and older

OCCC will be holding a GED orientation/ testing session at the Edmond Library. All students wishing to enroll in OCCC's GED classes, held in Edmond, must attend this session first. Registration is required. Register with OCCC by calling 682-7873. Cosponsor: OCCC.

Introduction to Watercolor Painting with Jim Pourtorkan Oct 12 | Sat | 10a-Noon

Ages 16 and older

Jim and Marilyn Pourtorkan are back again to introduce you to the basic techniques of watercolor painting; how to apply color and compose a painting. All supplies are provided. Please register, beginning Sept. 9th, at the Information Desk or by calling 341-9282x3.

Readers' Choice Book Club Oct 12 | Sat | 10:30a-Noon Adults

The Reader's Choice Book Club meets the second Saturday of every month at the Edmond Library. The group consists of people who enjoy reading outstanding books and discussing them. The book selection for October is *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald.

Edmond Library Book Bunch Oct 12 | Sat | 2-3:30p Seniors

Edmond's Book Bunch meets monthly to discuss important and memorable fiction. October's book is *Gone Girl* by Gillian Flynn. Marriage can be a real killer, and *Gone Girl* is an unputdownable masterpiece about a marriage gone terribly, terribly wrong.

Yu-Gi-Oh Tournament Oct 12 | Sat | 3-4:30p School-age children

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

Young Professionals Book Club Oct 13 | Sun | 3-4p Adults

Ahoy young professionals! Are you finished with college but still craving intellectual discussion? Join us to talk about some dense, sometimes-esoteric, wholly-awesome texts-both fiction and nonfiction. This month we'll discuss *Going Clear: Scientology, Hollywood, and the Prison of Belief* by Lawrence Wright. Contact the Information Desk at 341-9282 to reserve a copy of the book!

Music With Miss Joy Oct 18 | Fri | 9:15-10a Birth - 2 years

Join Miss Joy for a morning of musical activities just for babies, toddlers, and their caregivers. Older siblings are welcome and encouraged to bring a stuffed animal to participate. Preregister on the 15th by calling 341-9282 x4.

Music With Miss Joy Oct 18 | Fri | 10:15-11a and 11:15a-Noon Ages 2 1/2 - 5 yrs

Join Miss Joy for a morning of musical activities just for this age. There will be singing, instruments, and rhythmic activities. Preregister on the 15th by calling 341-9282 x4.

Coffee House for Teens Oct 18 | Fri | 4-5:30p Teens Hey teens! Come and perform your original writing or acoustic music at the Edmond Library's teen coffee house. (Or feel free to come and just listen!) We'll have coffee, lemonade, and snacks. Call 341-9282 or stop by the Information Desk to sign up.

eMedia Workshops

Oct 19 | Sat | 2p Kindle users Oct 19 | Sat | 3:15p Nook users Adults

Does using your Kindle or Nook have you confused and scratching your head? The world of eMedia is waiting for you. Join our computer guru, Randall Baze, to find out more about using your Kindle or Nook to access books electronically. Kindle users meet at 2:00, and Nook users meet at 3:15. Space is limited. Please register by calling the library at 341-9282 or at the Information Desk.

Paper Bag Photo Scrapbooks Oct 21 | Mon | 6:30-8p Adults

When is a paper bag a memory keeper? When it's turned into a simple but effective scrapbook. Join Diane Sharp to learn this great method of preserving and sharing your photos and memories. Bring 10-12 photos of special people, places or events. Your photos will be altered, so you may want to bring copies and save the originals. Space is limited, so please call the library to preregister or stop by the Information Desk. Registration will begin on Sept. 23rd.

Krafty Kids

Oct 23 | Wed | 6:30-7:30p Ages 5-10 years

Come to the library to make a fun and festive holiday craft! The class is free but space is limited so call today to register! 341-9282 x 4.

Book Club Kids Oct 26 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a Ages 8-12 years

Love to read? Come be part of Edmond's newest book club just for kids! It's not your mother's book club. This is a book club with a twist. Reserve a copy of this month's selection, *A Wrinkle in Time*, by Madeleine L'Engle and come prepared to answer trivia questions to win awesome prizes! Please call to register.

Luther Library

Quilting at the Library Oct 21 | Mon | 10a-4p Adults

Do you enjoy quilting and sewing. Enjoy visiting with others that do? Come and join us the Third Monday every month. Bring your sewing machine, materials and sewing supplies and join us.

Midwest City Library

See pages 19, 29 & 30 for more Midwest City Library programs/events.

Knit Wit Oct 1 | Tue | 10a-Noon Adults

Learn to knit or crochet, or strengthen your craft the first Tuesday of every month with instructor Kathy Brown. No registration required.

Midwest City Non-Fiction Book Club Oct 1 | Tue | 10-11a 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 *Undaunted Courage: Meriwether Lewis, Thomas Jefferson, and the Opening of the American West* by Stephen Ambrose. Please visit the Information Desk to receive your copy.

Pajama Story Night Oct 1 | 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.

Teen Advisory Board Oct 2 | Wed | 5-6p Teens

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

Creative Teen Writing Oct 3,10,17,24 | Thur | 4:30-5:30p Teens

Exercise your creativity in a four week, one-hour, Teen Creative Writing Workshop. You will learn the fundamentals of writing dialogue and action, as well as character concepting and story outlining. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 732-4828.

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play With Me Oct 3,10,17,24 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p Infants to age 4 w/parent Playing with your baby or child is not only

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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 to play 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.

Halloween Horrorfest Oct 3,10,17,24,31 | Thur | 6:30-8:30p All ages

Come celebrate the scariest time of year with us as we screen a different horror movie each Thursday evening during the month of October. Call 732-4828 for more information.

Computer Tutoring Oct 5,12,26 | Sat | 9a-Noon Oct 7,21,28 | 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 oneon-one tutoring sessions. Tutoring is available on Mondays and Saturdays. Call the library at 732-4828 to make an appointment.

Natural Hair Oct 5 | Sat | 10-11a 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.

Star War Reads Day Oct 5 | Sat | 2-4p All ages

Calling all young Padawans, Jedi Knights, and even Sith. The Star Wars Universe has taken over the Midwest City Library for National Star Wars Reads Day. Join us for costumes, trivia, snacks, crafts, and more. For details, visit the Information Desk or call 732-4828.

Soldier Creek Quilting Group Oct 7,21,28 | Mon | 9a-Noon 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 12:00 p.m. No experience necessary, just a willingness to create art. Registration is not required. Cosponsor: Soldier Creek Quilting Group.

Music For Babies and Toddlers Oct 7 | Mon | 10-10:45a Infants to age 36 mos w/parent

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

Cimarron Opera Presents a Grimm Affair Oct 8 | Tue | 7-8p All ages

Featuring three short operas based on Tales from the Brothers Grimm. You will hear the amazing voices of Cimarron Opera showcasing the beauty and comedy of opera. Audiences come away from Cimarron Opera performances exclaiming, "I didn't know how much I loved opera!" and you will too! Cosponsors: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System, Oklahoma Arts Council, and National Endowment for the Arts.

Bey Blade Metal Fusion Oct 9 | Wed | 4-5:30p Kids and teens

Get your Bey Blade Metal Fusion on! To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 732-4828.

Chess Club at the Midwest City Library Oct 12 | Sat | 10-11a Ages 12 and older

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

Around the World in 80 Films Oct 12 | Sat | 3-4:30p Adults

Join us the second Saturday of each month as we explore different cultures through film. This month we will screen a 2006 Sundance Film Festival Audience Award winner. This program will be meeting from 3-4:30pm in September to coordinate with the Hispanic Heritage Month festival. No registration required.

Midwest City Readers' Society Book Club Oct 15 | Tue | 10-11a Adults

The Readers' Society meets the third Tuesday of each month to discuss adult fiction in a variety of genres. The book for October is *The Haunted Looking Glass*, a collection of short stories compiled by Edward Gorey. Call or visit the Information Desk to reserve a copy. 732-4828.

Family Craft Night Oct 15 | 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.

Author Visit With James Wilhite Oct 15 | Tue | 7-8p Adults

Author Col. James Wilhite has served in various roles in the United States Army for more than thirty-nine years. He and his wife, Emily, currently reside in Edmond, OK. His book tells describes his time in Afghanistan during Operation Enduring Freedom. Come meet with Col. James Wilhite.

Yu-gi-oh Gaming Oct 16 | Wed | 4-5:30p Teens

Come and get your Yu-gi-oh game on. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 732-4828.

Motor Vehicle Crash Prevention Course Oct 19 | Sat | 9a-4p Adults

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

Toddler Aerobics Oct 21 | Mon | 10-10:30a Birth - 5 years w/adult

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. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.

Pre-NaNoWriMo Pre-Write Party Oct 23 | Wed | 6-7p All ages

Gearing up for National Write a Novel Month? Now is the time to start planning. Seasoned author or casual writer? Doesn't matter. Join us for brainstorming games and writing exercises to jump start your imagination and get you ready to write. No registration required.

Preschool Storytime Oct 28 | Mon | 10-10:30a Ages birth-5 w/parent

Join us for story time! There will be songs, fingerplays, rhymes, and special stories. Come

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Downtown Library Atrium every Thursday from Noon to 1pm

October 3:Joe Baxter: Roots singer/songwriterOctober 10:Savoy Trio: Early New Orleans jazzOctober 17:Susan Herndon: singer/songwriterOctober 24:Jill Justice: harpOctober 31:Wayne McEvilly: Mysterious Mephisto
for the season



All performances are free and open to the public. Downtown Library 300 Park Ave. | OKC, OK | (405) 606-3833 www.metrolibrary.org

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.

eBooks 101 Oct 30 | Wed | 10a-Noon Adults

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

Teen Movie Night Oct 30 | Wed | 4-6p Teens

October's movie features a 1935 American horror film. Baron Frankenstein is blackmailed by Dr. Praetorious into reviving his monster and building a mate for it. Register at the Information Desk or call 732-4828.

Nicoma Park Library

See page 19 for more Nicoma Park Library programs/events.

Lady Crafters Oct 15 | Tue | 10a-Noon Adults Ladies of all ages create crafts suitable for the season on the third Tuesday of the month.Join us for fun! Call 769-9452 for more information or to register.

Northwest Library

See pages 19, 29 & 30 for more Northwest Library programs/events.

Seek the Unknown: Writing & Art Contest Oct 1 - 24 Grades 6-12

Do you like to write? Are you an Artist? Contest begins Oct. 1st based on the Teen Read Month theme, Seek the Unknown. Art entries must be appropriate for all audiences as art work will be displayed in the library as they are received. All entries are due Thursday, 10/24/13 by 9:00pm for judging purposes. First place winners for each category will be announced no later than 10/31/13. First place winners will receive prizes of a hardbound journal or sketchbook and award certificate.

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play With Me Oct 1 | Tue | 10a and 10:45a Infants to 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 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 at 606-3580 or visiting the Information Desk

Early Childhood Programs for Ages 3-5 Oct 1,8,15,22 | Tue | 10-10:45a 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.

October: 10/1 Play with Me 10/8 Story Time

10/15 Wiggles and Giggles 10/22 Music Play

Early Childhood Programs for Ages 0-2 Oct 1,8,15,22 | Tue | 10:45-11:15a and 1:45-2:15p

Birth to nearly 3

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

10/1 Play with Me 10/8 Story Time 10/15 Wiggles and Giggles 10/22 Music Play

Baby's Best Blends: Homemade Babyfood Oct 1 | Tue | 5:30-6:30p Adults

Have you ever wondered what goes into the food you give your baby? From cutting out preservatives to giving your wallet a break, making your own baby food just makes sense. Oklahoma County Extension Service Educator, Amanda Horn, will present this program on how to make your own baby food using ingredients you likely have in your own kitchen. Ingredients and recipes will be provided for those who sign up. Cosponsor: OSU OCES.

Homework Help Oct 2,16,23,30 | Wed | 3:30-5:30p Grades 1-8

Need some homework help? We will work to pair you with an MLS volunteer tutor who can assist children in a variety of subjects. Participants must register at 606-3580 and will need to bring homework or study materials to their session. Want to volunteer your time to tutor a child? Visit http://www.supportmls. org/volunteer to complete an online application.

The Knit Knack Oct 2 | Wed | 6:30-8:30p Teens

As part of our Teen Read Month festivities, you can come to the library to "Seek the Unknown" by learning a new skill; knitting! Come learn how to get the knack for knitting so you can be successful in your knitting projects. Classes meet each Wednesday through 11/6/13 and build on what you learned the previous week. Call 606-3580 to sign up today.

Cardboard Challenge! Oct 3 | Thur | 5-7p School age children and teens

Inspired by Caine's Arcade, library staff would like to invite school aged children, teens, and their families to celebrate the 2013 Global Cardboard Challenge at the library! Come to the library to design and build awesome creations using cardboard, recycled materials and imagination. We will provide cardboard, tape, and scissors. You provide the creativity.

Cimarron Opera Presents a Grimm Affair Oct 7 | Mon | 7-8p All ages

Featuring three short operas based on Tales from the Brothers Grimm. You will hear the amazing voices of Cimarron Opera showcasing the beauty and comedy of opera. Audiences come away from the performances exclaiming, "I didn't know how much I loved opera!" and you will too! Cosponsors: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System, Oklahoma Arts Council, & National Endowment for the Arts. **Chess Club**

Oct 10 | Thur | 5:30-7p School age children, teens, and adults

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

Book Club Oct 11 | 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 *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese. Reserve your copy today! Discussion guides available at the library.

Tech Talks: Zinio Oct 15 | Tue | 5-6p Adults

Technology is advancing rapidly and it can be difficult to stay up to date. Library staff will be available to discuss how to access free electronic magazines in the library using Zinio in a classroom style setting. Questions are encouraged. Feel free to bring your own device or laptop computer to follow along and take notes. Sign up by calling 606-3580 today.

Journal Junkies Oct 17 | Thur | 4-5:30p Teens

Do you like writing? Do you like art? Come explore your interests and 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.

Tune Tours Oct 18 | Fri | 1-2p Adults

Like music? Want to know some intriguing background information? Come explore several familiar songs from classical to popular music. See how these familiar songs impact and connect with popular literature. This session will focus on Beethoven's symphonies.

Budding Bookworms Children's Book Club Oct 21 | 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, *Prince Puggly of Spud and the Kingdom of Spiff* by Robert Paul Weston. Reserve your copy today!

Wizard's Chess Oct 24 | Thur | 5:30-7p

School age children, teens and adults Chess club strikes again! Library staff will setup a chess board on the floor and use real people to create a living chess board! Dressing up as your favorite wizarding character is highly encouraged. We will only be able to do this if we have 16 people sign up, so register by calling 606-3580 today! If we don't have enough sign up to fill a living chess board, Muggle Chess sets will be available.

Ralph Ellison Library

See page 30 for more Ralph Ellison Library programs/events.

Art Gallery Oct 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.

Power Through Resistance Oct 1,8,15,22,29 | Tue | 6-7p Adults

Get motivated with this innovative women's fitness program using resistance bands. You will have fun while you shape and tone with great moves like the Sassy Sister Salsa. Resistance band exercises can help you slow or prevent osteoporosis, increase balance, and relieve stress. Participants will receive a free resistance band to keep working out at home. Cosponsor: Oklahoma Nutrition Information and Education Project (ONIE).

After School at Your Library Oct 2,9,30 | Wed | 4:30-5:30p Ages 10-16

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

Teen Job Search Help Oct 5,12 | Sat | 11a-1p Teens

So, you want a job? But, how do you fill out those applications? What should you wear to the interview so you look professional? How do you survive the intimidating interview? Learn how to sell yourself, be confident, and ultimately score a job that you love with the help of the OK Ladies for Christian Education.

Black History Documentary Club Oct 12 | Sat | 1-3p Age 13 and older

The Black History Documentary Club meets monthly to screen thought-provoking films. October's selection will be about *The Tulsa Lynching of 1921*.

To the Moon! Making Straw Rockets Oct 17 | Thur | 5:30-6:30p Ages 5 and older

Calling all budding astronauts! Learn how to design and build your very own NASA mini rocket out of everyday materials. Participants will have a chance to win a special prize for their very own outer space adventure.

Read, Share, Grow Book Club Oct 21 | Mon | 6:30-7:30p Adults

This month we'll be reading *The Rich and the Rest of Us: A Poverty Manifesto* by Tavis Smiley. Come by the front desk to pick up your copy.

Shinigami Anime Oct 22 | Tue | 4-6p Tweens and Teens 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 4-6 on the 4th Tuesday of every month.

Fall Festival Oct 26 | Sat | 1-4p All ages

Drop in for the Annual Fall Festival and enjoy a variety of fun family activities! Visit a petting zoo and get creative with autumn nature crafts and face painting. Even enjoy lots of tasty treats and enter a costume contest! Crafts and candy are provided on a first come, first serve basis. Cosponsor: Special Friends of Ralph Ellison Library.

SOUP Open Mic Poetry Night Oct 28 | Mon | 6:30-8p All ages

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

Southern Oaks Library

See pages 29 & 30 for more Southern Oaks Library programs/events.

Adult Education and Literacy Classes Oct 2,7,9,21,23,28,30 | Mon & Wed|6-8p Adults

Free basic Education & Literacy Skills for

Adults! Classes are available on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:00pm-8:00pm. Learn and apply phonics skills to reading, spelling and writing. Please call 631-4468 for more information or to register for the class. Cosponsor: Community Literacy Centers, Inc.

After School at Your Library Oct 3,10,31 | Thur | 4-5p Ages 10-16

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

Friday-Films, Family and Fun Oct 4,11,18,25 | Fri | 9-6p All ages

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

Star Wars Reads Day Oct 5 | Sat | 2:30a-3:30p Kids and families

Calling all Wookies, Vaders, Leias, Skywalkers & Storm Troopers! Celebrate STAR WARS READS DAY with us! Across the country today people are gathering to celebrate reading and Star Wars. We'll be joining in with our own Star Wars party! Join us for the festivities, you can even dress up as your favorite Star Wars character if you would like to. Kids will make Star Wars crafts, participate in Star Wars trivia, and more! Sign up by calling 631-4468 or by visiting the Information Desk in the library.

Preschool Storytime Oct 7,21 | Mon | 10:30-11:10a Age 2-5 with parent/caregiver

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

Southern Oaks Book Club Oct 8 | Tue | 11:30a-12:30p Adult

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

Book Adventure: Kids' Book Club Oct 8 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p Kids ages 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. Sign up by calling 631-4468 or by visiting the Information Desk.

Anime Club

Oct 10 | Thur | 6:30-8:30p Ages 14-19 Come watch anime and play video games!

D & D Game On!

Oct 12 | Sat | 1-4:30p Ages 10 and older Learn to play Dungeons & Dragons!

Undead Extravaganza

Oct 15 | Tue | 6-8p Teens

friends.

Join us for undead food, crafts, costume contest and more. Eat brains and share them with your

Metropolitan Library Commission of Oklahoma County

Oct 17 | Thur | 3:30-5p Southern Oaks Library 6900 S. Walker Oklahoma City, OK 73139 405.631.4468

Storybook Characters Party Oct 18 | Fri | 10:30-11:45a Kids and families (Children 9 and v

Kids and families (Children 9 and younger) Come dressed as your favorite story book character! Come celebrate the wonderful world of books and reading by participating in book themed activities, crafts and games. Pre-register by calling 631-4468 or stop by the Information Desk in the library.

Asian Craft Day Oct 19 | Sat | 1-3p Ages 10-18

Make Asian crafts and learn about the cultures and the peoples that created them. Please preregister. 631-4468. Cosponsor: Southern Oaks Teen Advisory Board.

Snack Workshop for Kids Oct 24 | Thur | 1-2p Kids ages 6-9

Come make a tasty snack! Registered dietician, Diana Romano will teach us how to make some yummy snacks that are not only good, but good for us. Space is limited-so sign up now to reserve your spot. Call 631-4468 or visit the Information Desk to sign up. Cosponsor: OSU County Extension.

Gamefest Oct 24 | Thur | 4-8p Ages 10-18

Game on! Bring your friends and come play video games and board games. Games are rated E, E10+, and T.

Zombie Movie Discussion Oct 26 | Sat | 1-3:30p Teens - adults

Kick off the Halloween season with a Zombie Movie/Discussion. Call for titles. 631-4468.

Halloween Storytime Oct 28 | Mon | 10:30-11:10a Age 2-5 with parent/caregiver

Enjoy some slightly spooky stories and activities for toddlers and preschoolers. Children are welcome to wear a costume! Preregistration is required by calling 631-4468 or sign up at the Informatin Desk in the library.

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play With Me Oct 30 | Wed | 10-11a Infants to age 4 w/parent

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The Village Library

See pages 19 & 26 for more of The Village Library programs/events.

Science Sleuths: Mad Science Oct 2,9 | Wed | 4-5p Teens

October is Teen Read Month, so let's seek the unknown at the library with a month of science explorations. This week, Mad Science presents a chemistry focused program for teens. Cosponsor: Mad Science of Central Oklahoma and Special Friends of the Village Library.

Windows 8 for Adults Oct 2,9,16,23,30 | Wed | 6:30-8:30p Adults

Got a new laptop? Need to learn to use Windows 8? Free individualized instruction evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 pm or Saturdays. Bring your laptop and learn the basics of Windows 8. Come in or call 755-0710 to make an appointment for your instruction time.

Music With Ginger Oct 3 | Thur | 10-10:30a Ages 3-5

The Village Library is inviting children 3-5 years old to join Ms. Ginger for an age appropriate class. Parents & children will play, sing, dance, giggle, and share together during this 30-40 minute class. Ms. Ginger will guide the class from one activity to the next helping parents understand what their child is learning musically, cognitively, and developmentally. CLASS SIZE IS LIMITED so please call to register--sign up will begin on September 12.

Chess Club Oct 4,11,18,25 | Fri | 4-5:30p All ages

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

Star Wars Reads Day Oct 5 | Sat | 10a-Noon Ages 4-18

On this day, in a galaxy far, far away came a celebration of all things Star Wars for children and teens! It's Star Wars Reads Day across America, so come dressed as your favorite character and we'll have crafts, trivia, and snacks. Don't go to the dark side--come to the library instead! Call 755-0710 for more information, or stop the the Information Desk.

After School at Your Library Oct 7,28 | Mon | 4-5p Ages 10-16

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

Preschool Storytime Oct 8 | Tue | 10-10:30a Ages 2-5

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

Trip Around the World Oct 9,23 | Wed | 6-7:30p Grades 1 through 5

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 first through fifth grades is sponsored by the Junior League of Oklahoma City. Kids will have a great time learning about cultures all over the globe. The program is free, but space is limited so preregister at the Information Desk or call the library. Cosponsor: Junior League of Oklahoma City.

V-SIFT: Improv Oct 10 | Thur | 4-5p Teens

V-SIFT (Village-Something Interesting for Teens) meets one Thursday per month and features a different activity each month. This month, we'll play some improv games. You never know what might happen! Snacks will be provided. Please register by calling 755-0710 or stopping by the Information Desk.

Investing for Tomorrow Oct 10 | Thur | 7-8p Adults

Learn how to use library resources to do investment research! Join us Thursday evening Oct 10 at 7pm for a brief discussion designed to help beginning investors learn how they may become successful investors. The Heart of Oklahoma Chapter of Better Investing, a non-profit organization, will discuss these & other investing topics in this informal 1-hour presentation. Free & open to the public. Contact Joe Whitaker at 478-7990 or joeinvest2011@yahoo.com for more information.

Cosponsor: Heart of Oklahoma Chapter of Better Investing.

Cimarron Opera Presents a Grimm Affair Oct 11 | Fri | 10-11a All ages

Featuring three short operas based on Tales from the Brothers Grimm. You will hear the amazing voices of Cimarron Opera showcasing the beauty and comedy of opera. Audiences come away from Cimarron Opera performances exclaiming, "I didn't know how much I loved opera!" and you will too! Cosponsors: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System, Oklahoma Arts Council, and National Endowment for the Arts.

Knitty Committee

Oct 12 | Sat | 10a-Noon All ages

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.

Parachute Play

Oct 15 | Tue | 10-10:30a Ages 2-5

Let's have some fun with parachute play! While playing games with a parachute, children will have the opportunity to practice



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

skills such as following directions, socializing with others, and using small and large muscles. Please preregister at the Information Desk or call 755-0710.

Science Sleuths: Astronomy Oct 16 | Wed | 4-5p Teens

October is Teen Read Month, so let's seek the unknown at the library with a month of science explorations. This week, join Christian Bruggeman from the OKC Astronomy Club to discover what you can see in the night sky. Please register by calling 755-0710 or stopping by the Information Desk. Cosponsor: OKC Astronomy Club.

Internet Basics for Adults Oct 17 | Thur | 6:30-8p Adults

Windows 8 for Adults-Got a new laptop? Need to learn to use Windows 8? Free individualized instruction evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 pm or Saturdays. Bring your laptop and learn the basics of Windows 8. Come in or call to make an appointment for your instruction time. Village Library 755-0710.

Mystery Night Oct 18 | Fri | 5:30-9p Grades 3-5

Please join us for our annual Mystery Night. Eat mysterious pizza and solve an intriguing mystery. Preregister at the Information Desk or call 755-0710.

Book Discussion Group Oct 21 | 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.

Mother Goose on the Loose Oct 22 | Tue | 10-10:30a Ages 1-4 w/parent/caregiver

Join us for a play-based early literacy program filled with big time fun. 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. Call 755-0710 to register, or stop by the Information Desk.

Science Sleuths: C.S.I. Oct 23 | Wed | 4-5p Teens October is Teen Read Month, so let's seek the unknown at the library with a month of science explorations. This week, solve a mystery while learning about forensic science and crime scene investigation. Please register by calling 755-0710 or stopping by the Information Desk. Cosponsor: Science Museum Oklahoma.

Apple Pie Time Oct 26 | Sat | 10-11a Ages 5-11

Join us for our annual apple pie making class. Children will make a delicious apple pie to take home and bake. This class fills up quickly, and pre-registration is required. Call 755-0710 or stop by the Information Desk.

Warr Acres Library

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

Library Quest 2013 Oct 1 -31 Ages 12-17

Hey teens! Show your searching savvy. Visit the Information Desk to begin your journey. Prizes will be awarded after October 31st.

Water Color With Bharahi Oct 5 | Sat | 2-4p Adults

Adults get in touch with your artistic side in this class with all supplies furnished. Watercolor artist Bharathi Srinivasan will instruct. Participants should have a finished painting at the end of the 2 hour class. Preregistration is required, call 721-2616. Limit 25.

Cimarron Opera Presents a Grimm Affair Oct 7 | Mon | 1-2p All ages

Featuring three short operas based on Tales from the Brothers Grimm. You will hear the amazing voices of Cimarron Opera showcasing the beauty and comedy of opera. Audiences come away from Cimarron Opera performances exclaiming, "I didn't know how much I loved opera!" and you will too! Cosponsors: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System, Oklahoma Arts Council, and National Endowment for the Arts.

Storytime for Preschoolers Oct 8,22 | Tue | 9:30-10a Ages 2-3 yrs w/parent

Preschoolers will enjoy 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.

Storytime for Preschoolers Oct 8,22 | Tue | 10:30-11:15a Ages 4-5 yrs w/parent

Preschoolers will enjoy 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 Oct 9,16,23,30 | Wed | 9:15-10a and 10:30-11:15a

Age 6 to 30 months w/parent

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

I Think I'll Be a Mad Scientist Oct 17 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p Ages 12-17

It's time to turn a few extreme experiments into an unforgettable hands-on learning experience. Clever concoctions and an array of strange gadgets and gizmos encourage students to experience the thrill of science discovery. Cosponsor: Science Museum Oklahoma.

LEGO Club @ Your Library Oct 19 | Sat | 2:30-3:30p Ages 6-11

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

Warr Acres Book Club Oct 21 | Mon | 11a-Noon Adults

The Warr Acres Book Club meets the second Monday of each month. Call 721-2616 for more information about the book being discussed this month.

Customer Appreciation Reception Oct 26 | Sat | 2-4p All ages

You're invited to Warr Acres Library for a come-and-go reception in our meeting room. We appreciate you, our customers! Join us for tasty snacks and treats.

Dress-Up Party for Preschoolers Oct 29 | Tue | 10:30-11a Ages 3-5 yrs w/parent

Dress-up your preschooler and come to the library for family fun. Families will enjoy a time of crafts and snacks. After photos are taken of every child, Miss Alma and her puppets will share a bedtime story. Photos will be available for pick up at the library in November. Call to sign up; space is limited.

ESL

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

Belle Isle Library

Tuesdays & Thursdays | 9:30a-12:30p Oct 1,3,8,10,15,17,22,24,29,31 Teens and older

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

Edmond Library

Intermediate ESL Mondays & Wednesdays | 1-3:30p Oct 2,7,9,16,21,23,28,30 Adults Register by calling 682-7873 or with the instructor

the first day you attend. Cosponsor: OCCC

Beginning ESL Mondays & Wednesdays | 6-8:30p Oct 2,7,9,16,21,23,28,30 Adults

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

Warr Acres Library

Mondays & Wednesdays | 6-8:30p Oct 2,7,9,16,21,23,28,30 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.

Edmond Library

Tue & Thur | 6-8:30p Oct 1,3,8,10,15,17,22,24,29,31 Adults Register by calling 682-7873. Cosponsor: OCCC

Midwest City Library

Mondays & Wednesdays | 6-8:30p Oct 2,7,9,16,21,23,28,30 Adults Register by calling 682-6222. Cosponsor: OCCC

Northwest Library

Tue & Thur | 6:30-9p Oct 1,3,8,10,15,17,22,24,29,31 Adults Call 682-7873 for more information and to enroll. Cosponsor: OCCC Adult Learning Center

Southern Oaks Library

Mondays & Wednesdays | 6-8:30p Oct 2,7,9,16,21,23,28,30 Age 16 and older For more info or to enroll call OKC Adult Learning Center, call 631-4468.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Child Developmental Screenings

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

Edmond Library Child Guidance Screenings Oct 30 | Wed | 1-5p Birth to age 5 w/parent

Midwest City Library Child Guidance Screenings Oct 16 | Wed | 1-5p Birth to age 5 w/parent

Northwest Library Child Guidance Screenings Oct 17 | Thur | 9a-Noon Birth to age 5 w/parent

Village Library Child Guidance Screenings Oct 9 | Wed | 1-5p Birth to age 5 w/parent

Warr Acres Library Child Guidance Screenings Oct 2 | Tue | 1-5p Birth to age 5 w/parent

Tai Chi

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

Belle Isle Library Tai Chi

Tai Chi Oct 1,3,8,10,15,17,22,24,29,31 Tue & Thur | 6-6:45p Teens and Adults

Yoga

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.

Almonte Library Intro to Yoga with Cory Oct 3,10,17,24,31 | Thur | 1:15-2:15p Adults Please bring your yoga mat.

Choctaw Library Yoga Oct 2,9,16 | Wed | 6:15-7:15p Adults

Wellness

Capitol Hill Library Total Wellness in Spanish

Oct 10,17,24,31| Thur | 5:15-6:15p Adults

¡Usted puede lucir y sentirse mejor! Aprenda a practicar un estilo de vida más saludable. Las clases se ofrecen una hora por semana por 12 semanas. Salud Total puede ayudar a prevenir enfermedades crónicas como la diabetes, algunos tipos de cáncer, asma, y enfermedades del corazón. Llame a Victoria Greening: (405) 419-Ciudad y del Condado de Oklahoma. ¡Le esperamos!

Ralph Ellison Library Diabetes

African American Community Diabetes Prevention Partners Oct 28 | Mon | 11:30a-12:30p All ages

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

Southern Oaks Library Total Wellness Oct 1,8,15,22,29 | Tue | 2:30-3:30p Adults

Free weight loss and disease prevention program. Program meets one hour a week for 12 weeks. The goal of the class is for everyone to lose 5% of the body weight and to be physically active 30 minutes a day. The number to call to register for the class has also changed to 425-4308. To register online Total_Wellness@occhd.org Cosponsor: OCCHD

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2013 CALENDAR



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Off the Beaten Path . . . Discovering New Literary Treasures

Maybe people don't gather around the fire for the telling of spooky stories on a chilly All Saints' Eve anymore, but just in case you're a traditionalist and need some eerie inspiration here are stories by two of the masters.

James, M.R. (Montague Rhodes). *Collected Ghost Stories*. FICTION/JAM

James was a scholar of medieval literature and provost of Eton College. Every Christmas he wrote a ghost story to share with his friends and students, and these tales now are considered the sine non qua of quiet, antiquarian terror. Not to be missed. Lovecraft, H.P. (Howard Phillips). H.P. Lovecraft: Tales. FICTION/LOV

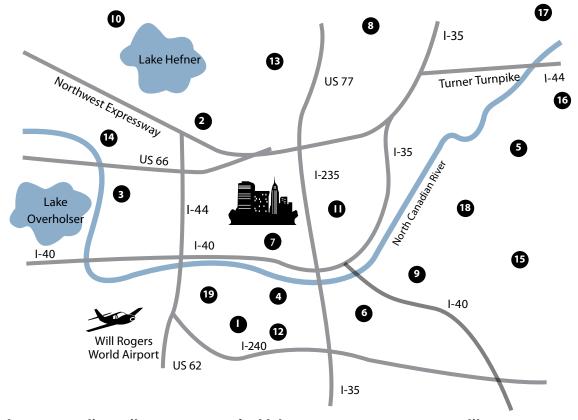
Although he was published almost entirely in pulp magazines, Lovecraft's tales have endured. His vision of humanity as shaped by the unbending rules of heredity and the whims of alien creatures that care nothing about us is as melancholic as anything in weird literature.



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3 BETHANY 3510 N. Mueller, Bethany, 789-8363	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
4 CAPITOL HILL 334 SW 26th, OKC, 634-6308	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
5 CHOCTAW 2525 Muzzy Street, Choctaw, 390-8418	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
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9 MIDWEST CITY 8143 E. Reno, MWC, 732-4828	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
10 NORTHWEST 5600 NW 122nd, OKC, 606-3580	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
11 RALPH ELLISON 2000 NE 23rd, OKC, 424-1437	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
12 SOUTHERN OAKS 6900 S. Walker, OKC 631-4468	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
13 THE VILLAGE 10307 N. Pennsylvania Ave., The Village, 755-0710	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
14 WARR ACRES 5901 NW 63rd, Warr Acres, 721-2616	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
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*Extensions close daily for lunch from 12:30-1 p.m.



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