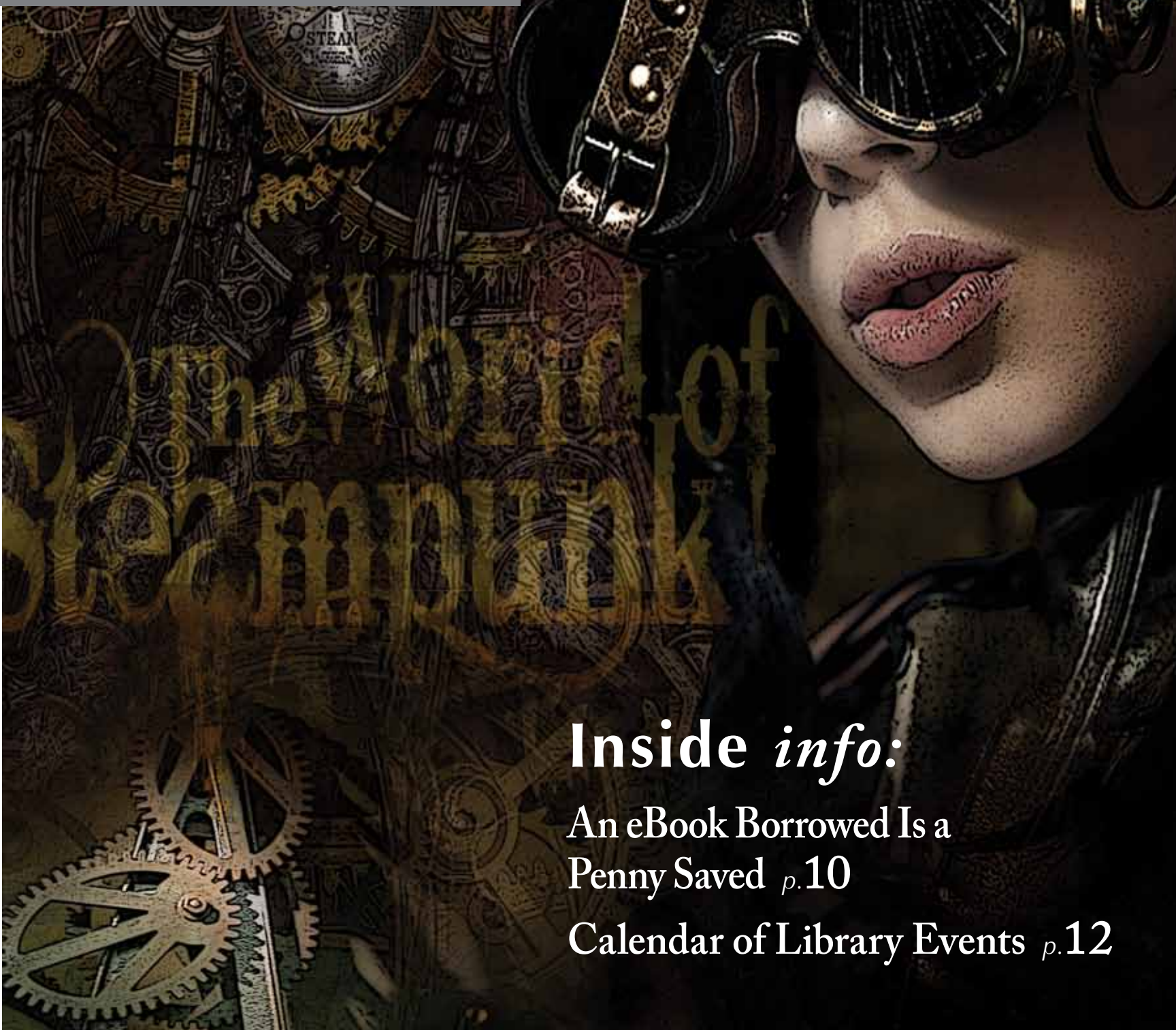


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We don't know about you, but we're getting pretty excited.

About what? One of our busiest libraries, Southern Oaks, had to move into a smaller, temporary location last year so the permanent site could undergo an extensive renovation project. The excitement is building because the renovation is finished.

The temporary Southern Oaks Library closes at 6:00p.m. on September 9 to allow a move back to the original Southern Oaks Library site at 6900 S. Walker. The renovated library will re-open on Tuesday, September 25 with an official ribbon cutting ceremony at 3:00p.m. The library will be open to the public at 3:30p.m.

Stop by to take in the awesome newness when you get a chance. Library manager Randy Wayland and the gang will be more than happy to show you around. You're never too old to enjoy showing off your new toys.



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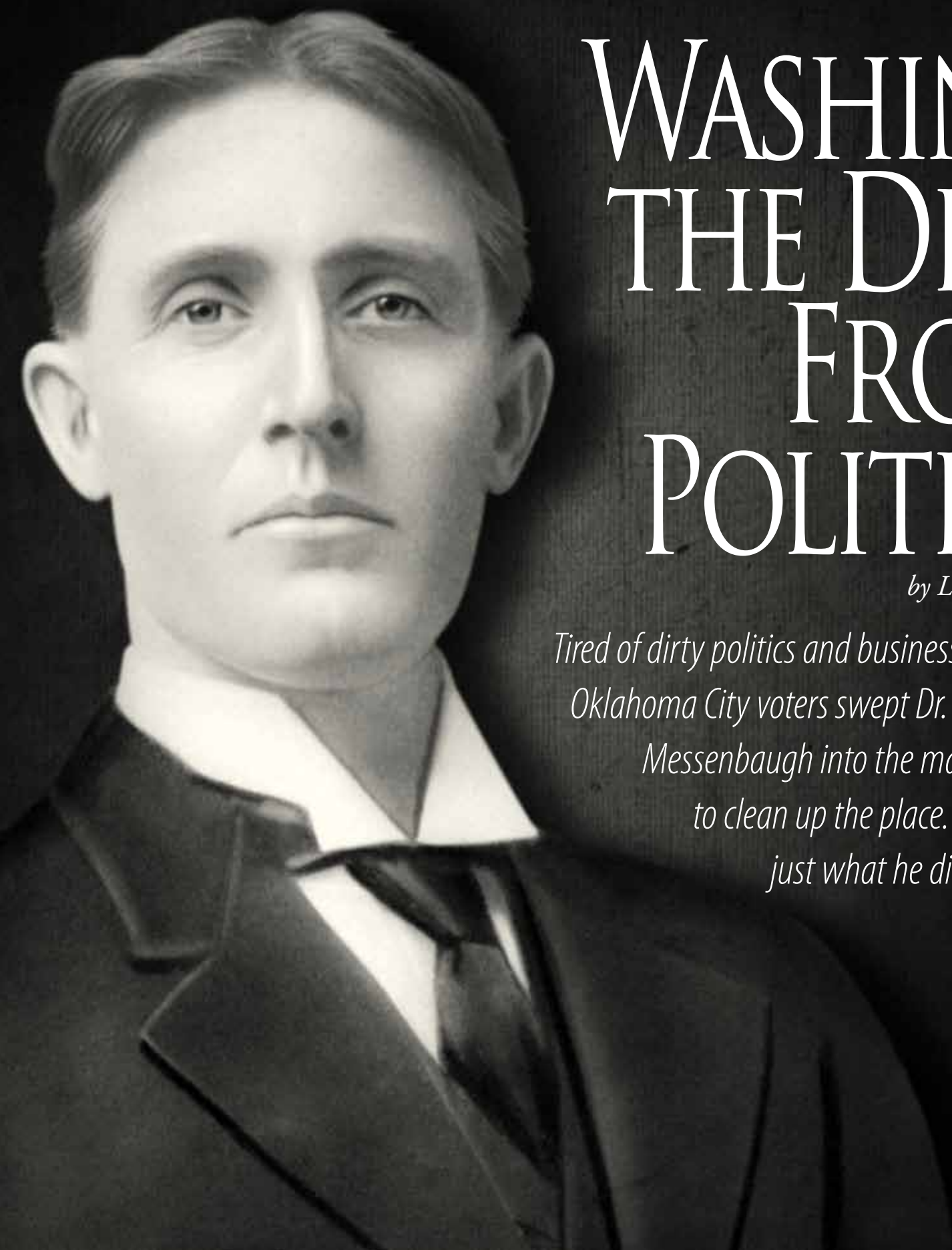


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WASHING THE DIRT FROM POLITICS

by Larry Johnson

*Tired of dirty politics and business-as-usual,
Oklahoma City voters swept Dr. Joseph Fife
Messenbaugh into the mayor's office
to clean up the place. And that's
just what he did. Literally.*





In the years just prior to Oklahoma statehood in 1907, Oklahoma City experienced double digit population growth. Civic problems doubled as well. Overcrowding strained the city's



barely adequate water supply, streets weren't paved, and the sewer system was--well, it stunk.

The most talked about issue of the 1905 mayoral race was the water problem. During the early part of the 1900s the municipal government contracted with a well digger to provide drinking water to city residents. But the pace of growth was such that city leaders decided in 1904 that a major water infrastructure project would be required to provide a safe and reliable water supply for both the current city and the industrial powerhouse of their dreams. Under Mayor Van Winkle the administration decided on a wellpoint system which consisted of a series of wells driven into our sandy soil and connected to a system of pipes; however, corruption

and partisan squabbling on the council caused the projects to be canceled.

So in the election of 1905 Dr. Messenbaugh was chastised by the *Daily Oklahoman* for presaging Calvin Coolidge – they said upon the issue of the water supply he maintained an “eloquent silence.” They had already taken him to task for being a political outsider who had only arrived from St. Louis five years prior and because he owned just two pieces of property in town and only paid \$29.04 in taxes. “He is not very deeply concerned about the welfare of the city,” the editorial writer accused, “as the amount of taxes he pays indicates.” Besides he wasn't a businessman like his opponent, grocer Frank Rhodes, and the paper contended



he would be incapable of handling such a large undertaking.

Even so, the doctor was swept in on a landslide. It turns out he advocated for a major overhaul of the waterworks

which employed a set of small reservoirs which could be sanitized before delivery to homes and businesses. Customers would no longer be subject to the mud and muck which once poured from their spouts. Though it's changed over the last 100 years, the original waterworks are still located at NW 4 and Pennsylvania.

Dr. Messenbaugh also tackled the filth flowing down some streets by pushing for an upgrade to the sewer system to be done concurrently with the water project. Although he wasn't a businessman, his professional opinion that improvement to water and sewer services were as much a matter of public safety as they were industrial development did lend extra weight to his argument.

Though the doctor remained popular throughout his term, he had had enough and called it quits at the conclusion of one two-year term, saying, “I wouldn't take anything for what I already have in the way of political preferment but I wouldn't give a cent for any more of the same kind.”

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



Reviews & Recommendations

FICTION/
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ON THE SHELF

Peter and the Starcatchers

by Dave Barry and Ridley Pearson



Yes it's true! The beloved Dave Barry of much humor hurrah has teamed up with Ridley Pearson of adult crime fiction fame to write a young adult adventure. Have they lost their collective marbles? Perhaps. Both writers have accomplished careers so why would they collaborate on a prequel to a children's story favorite? Do you suppose it has something to do with second childhoods or maybe midlife crises? In an online interview, the authors attribute the idea to Pearson's daughter who asked how Peter Pan came to know his archrival Hook. That's when Pearson called Barry in Florida.

The story has short chapters that jump back and forth between subplots until they pitch together creating a fast read--- a style perfect for those with short attention spans. I found the Barry-Pearson team created lol dialogue, a fascinating villain named Black Stache (what, not Black Beard?) and, not to spoil it for

reviewed by Kelley Riha

you, there's a crock named Mister Grin. Is nothing sacred? No!

In the interview, Barry said that, "Kids don't particularly like to be preached to or taught, although lots of children's books try to do that. I really think what they like is to have a funny story or an exciting story. In that way, being immature probably helps because it's the way we think." And I for one won't give it all away but when the villain hoists a specially formed sail, it starts to smell of pre-adolescent boys' humor. Yep, stand back or jump in! I say the water's fine.

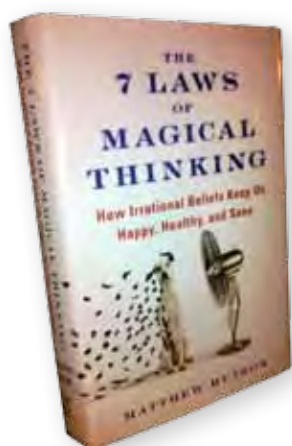
This title is also available as an audiobook cd and as a WMA audiobook.

Kelley Riha is Community Information Coordinator in the MLS Outreach Dept. She is a long-time performer for children and reviews books written for the youngest readers.

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ON THE SHELF

The 7 Laws of Magical Thinking

by Matt Hutson



"Magical thinking" is the term applied to our irrational and nonscientific beliefs, "consistent misperceptions of the world," thoughts and beliefs that defy logic or rational thought. Magical thinking is something that does not go away despite higher education and life experience.

We all participate in magical thinking at some point in our lives. If you've ever given sentimental meaning to, say, a wedding ring or family heirloom, that's magical thinking. From spiritual beliefs to superstitions, magical thinking not only exists, but is essential to our health, happiness, and sanity. It allows us to believe that we have more control over the

reviewed by Angela Thornton

world around us than we actually do.

When Hutson addresses scenarios such as luck, obsessions, and jinxes, he claims that worst case scenarios top best case scenarios in our imagination because what's bad in the world can harm us more than the good things can help us. Our thoughts and beliefs may not be logical all the time, but that's okay. Magical Thinking "got us where we are, and, for better or worse, it will take us to where we're going."

Angela Thornton is the manager at the Downtown Library. She has a variety of reading tastes; for more likes and dislikes, you can "friend" her on www.shelfari.com.



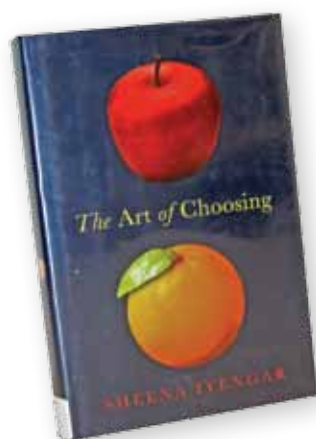
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ON THE SHELF

The Art of Choosing

by Sheena Iyengar

reviewed by Lloyd Lovely



The Art of Choosing is not just a manual for those standing at the shelves, painstakingly debating which title to pick up. It's made for anyone interested in gaining deeper self awareness, and it gives noteworthy tips for influencing others or even just starting a dinner party conversation. Author and choice-expert Sheena Iyengar explores the influences and precursors to decision making. As a blind woman brought up in Indian culture, Iyengar brings a unique point of view and healthy dose of curiosity to the study of choice.

Beginning at the basics, the author explains underlying biological factors, complete with fascinating experiments, that bring to light how nature's and nurture's close relationship affects decision making. From there, she branches out to include social, cultural, and personal differences in

choosing. The prevalent myth that more options are always better is systematically analyzed and debunked. Finally, she examines the implications of the choices people make and gives techniques for help in making and presenting choices.

Ultimately, the book proves inspiring by offering a look at how we control our lives with every direction we steer ourselves. From nail polish and beer preferences to life-altering moves, this information will change the way you approach decision making. Iyengar's valuable insight and thoughtful inquiry will keep you self-evaluating through every chapter of this page turner.

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

FICTION/
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ON THE SHELF

Can't Wait to Get to Heaven

by Fannie Flagg

reviewed by Phyllis Davidson



Norma had repeatedly told her Aunt Elner Shimfissle to stay off that ladder, but Elner only wanted to pick a few figs. She didn't count on a nest of wasps attacking her and causing her to fall. When she woke up in the hospital, she was all alone, the elevator went sideways, and she was floating above the hospital. Then things got even stranger for her.

The news of Elner's accident spread faster than a prairie fire. The flower shop phone started ringing like a church bell. Those who knew Elner began to remember how she had made a positive difference in their lives. Norma and her husband, Macky, went into the hospital room to say their final farewells, and that's when they got the surprise of their lives.

In spite of the highly fictionalized description

of heaven, I really enjoyed this story. It is set in Elmwood Springs, Missouri, the site of some of Flagg's other tales, and it includes some of the characters from previous stories as well. I can't wait to get to the library catalog to request some more fiction by Fannie Flagg who also wrote *Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Café*.

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

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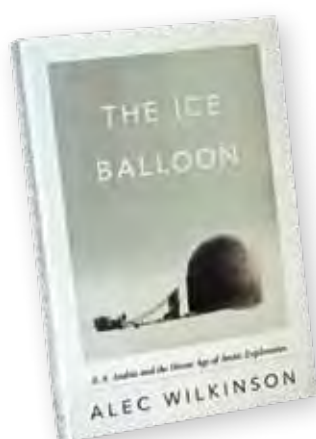
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The Ice Balloon: S.A. Andrée and the Heroic Age of Arctic Exploration

by Alec Wilkinson

reviewed by Jana Hausburg



When the Presbyterians went to Alaska in the nineteenth century they told the Indians about the fires of hell that burned perpetually, and the Indians thought it sounded pretty good, so the missionaries had to change hell to a place where it was always cold.

While it may be apocryphal that Arctic natives had a hundred different words for snow, sailors had numerous words to describe northern ice. Nineteenth century explorers, in their quest to discover the North Pole, had to cross new ice, old ice, paleocystic ice, bay ice, drift ice, pack ice, brash ice, rotten ice, floes, bights, hummocks, fields -- to name a few. Dragging 200-pound sledges and supplies over the frigid landscape took a terrible toll on the human body.

In 1897 a Swedish aeronaut named S.A. Andrée offered a new approach to Arctic exploration. He proposed flying to the North Pole in a hydrogen balloon. Floating over the ice, Andrée theorized,

would take significantly less time; if the winds were blowing the right way, 300 miles could be covered in weeks rather than months. Andrée found a number of sponsors willing to back his theory, including Alfred Nobel and the King of Sweden. Joining Andrée on the journey were Nils Strindberg and Knut Fraenkel.

How to explain such bravery and such folly? It's hard to imagine an undertaking of this magnitude. No one knew where the wind would take them. Their supplies were limited. They had no way of communicating with anyone if something went wrong. And, of course, something went terribly wrong.

This title is available from MLS as a Kindle download and as an EPUB eBook.

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

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ON THE SHELF

My Friend Dahmer

by Derf Backderf

reviewed by Jill Vessels



I must admit my fascination with Jeffrey Dahmer. To me the killer in him could have been quelled only by the friendship of a good woman. You know—like me.

You only think you know this story. In 1991, Jeffrey Dahmer—the most notorious serial killer since Jack the Ripper—seared himself into the American consciousness. To the public, Dahmer was a monster who committed unthinkable atrocities. To Derf Backderf, “Jeff” was a much more complex figure: a high school friend with whom he had shared classrooms, hallways, and car rides.

My Friend Dahmer is a haunting and original

graphic novel. In it, writer-artist Backderf creates a surprisingly sympathetic portrait of a disturbed young man struggling against the morbid urges emanating from the deep recesses of his psyche—a shy kid, a teenage alcoholic, and a goofball who never quite fit in with his classmates. With profound insight, what emerges is a Jeffrey Dahmer that few ever really knew, and one readers will never forget. Oh, and in a perfect world, Jill and Jeff would have been BF's Forever.

When Jill Vessels isn't working in the Cataloging department of the Metropolitan Library System, this gray-haired granny of four contemplates how many licks it takes to get to the center of a Tootsie Pop.



Here's a fairly typical week for a lot of people:

Monday through Friday,
9:00 To 5:00- work.

Monday through Friday,
5:00 To bedtime- household
chores, a little TV

Saturday- Grocery shopping, running
errands at the mall, work around
the house, yard work, avoiding
invitations to eat with the in-laws.

Sunday morning- church

Sunday afternoon- well, if you're
lucky, that's free time. And a
great time to stop by the library.

Did you know that all 13 of your full service libraries are open on Sunday afternoons from 1:00-6:00pm? This means that the Bethany, Capitol Hill, Choctaw, Del City, Ralph Ellison, Village and Warr Acres Libraries as well as our other six full-service libraries are here for you seven days a week. Research? Pleasure reading? Just a cool place to sit down and read an out of town newspaper? We've got it. And free Wifi too.

In fact, anything you'd visit a library to do or get on any other day of the week can done or gotten on Sunday. We don't present as many programs on Sundays as we do on weekdays, but that just give us a little more time to see that you receive the first-rate service you've come to expect from us.

If you have any questions about Sundays at your neighborhood library, you can find the addresses and phone numbers of all our locations on the back cover of this magazine, or on our website, www.metrolibrary.org.

Take a few minutes on a Sunday afternoon to drop by and let us help you recover from one week and prepare for the next. As the 18th century essayist Joseph Addison wrote, "Sunday clears away the rust of the whole week." And we're the best free rust remover in town.



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*Why buy when you
can borrow?*



That's been the mantra of free public libraries since the first one was established in Philadelphia by Benjamin Franklin--or Boston, Charleston, or Salisbury, Connecticut in the 17th, 18th, or 19th century. (When a good idea comes along, everyone wants to take the credit.)

Here's another good idea: eBook tablets such as an iPad/iPhone, Sony eReader, Nook or Kindle (or, if you prefer, your PC or Mac) and you'll be all set to read eBooks.

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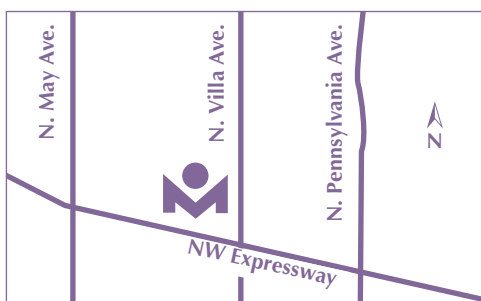
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Belle Isle Library

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

HOURS

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



Service Core of Retired Executives (SCORE) Counseling

Sept 1,15 | Sat | 9:30a-12:30p
Adults

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

Gaming Club

Sept 4,11,18,25 | 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!

Developmental Screenings

Sept 5 | Wed | 12:30-4:30p
Ages 1-5

A developmental screening is a very general look at how your child is doing compared to

other children the same age. Any questions or concerns you may have about your child's development or behavior will be discussed. Appointments are one hour long and will include a small fee. To schedule an appointment call 425-4412. The child must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Cosponsor: OCCHD.

College Prep: Choosing the Right School for You College Fair

Sept 8 | Sat | 2-3p
Teens and adults

Interested in college? Don't know where you want to go or where to start? Come join us for a college fair with recruiters from several local schools.

Children Reading to Dogs

Sept 10,17,24 | Mon

6-7p

Children who can read

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



English as a Second Language

Sept 11,13,18,20,25,27

Tues and Thurs

9:30a-12:30p

Teens and older

This is an ongoing enrollment with the Oklahoma City Public Schools. Improve your English speaking, reading, and writing skills in this free class for people who are new to the English language. For questions and to register, come to the class.



College Prep: Homeschooler Workshop

Sept 15 | Sat | 2-3:30p

Teens and adults

Are you a parent of a homeschooler and interested in how to get your teen into college? Stop by the library Saturday, September 15,

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for a discussion with representatives from the Oklahoma College Assistance Program and Oklahoma City University on what you can do to help your homeschooler get into college! Sign up at the front desk or by calling (405) 843-9601. Cosponsor: Oklahoma College Assistance Program and Oklahoma City University.

Knitting Guild of OKC

Sept 16 | Sun | 3-5p
Teens-adults

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

Belle Isle Anime/Manga Club

Sept 17 | 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.

Getting Started with Genealogy

Sept 18 | Tue | 7-8:30p
Age 10 and older

Have you wanted to research your family's history? Join librarian Phyllis Davidson as she gives you some tips in getting started on your family tree, including exploring the library's databases. Class is free, so sign up at the Belle Isle reference desk.

Belle Isle Teen Crafts

Sept 20 | Thur | 4-5p
Teens

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



Teens



Teens

ABC Foods to Eat

Sept 26 | Wed | 10-10:45a
Pre-kindergarten

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



College Prep: Scholarships, Grants, and Loans, Oh My!

Sept 29 | Sat | 2-3p
Teens and adults

Interested in college? Don't know how you're going to afford it? Come join us for a discussion with the professionals on how to pay for college.

Bethany Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6



Play & Story Time

Sept 6 | Thur | 9:30-10:15a
and 10:30-11:15a
Age 18 mos - 4 yrs

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



Developmental Screenings

Sept 7 | Fri | 9a-Noon
Ages birth to 5 years
w/guardian

Child Guidance is offering developmental and speech/language screenings. A developmental screening is a very general look at how children are doing compared to other children the same age. Any questions or concerns you may have about your child's development or behavior will be discussed. Information about upcoming stages and home activities will be given. Screenings will include a small fee. To schedule your screening appointment, please call Child Guidance, Oklahoma City-County Health Dept. at 425-4412. Cosponsor: OCCHD.



Yu-Gi-Oh! Club

Sept 8 | 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!



Teens

Homemade Toys Workshop

Sept 8 | Sat | 2-3p
Ages 6-11 with an adult

Try your hand at making traditional toys from common place, inexpensive materials. We will make wooden stilts and button strings! All supplies provided. Adults should plan to attend with their children or grandchildren. Pre-register at the library information desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

Build Your Own Business

Sept 10 | Mon | 6-7:30p
Adults

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

The Children's Hour:

Evening Storytime
Sept 11 | Tue | 6:30-7p
Ages 3-8

Share a half-hour of fun with your child! Enjoy stories, songs and nursery rhymes. Pre-register at the library information desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.



Fall Story & Craft Time

Sept 13 | Thur | 10-10:45a
Age 3-6

Enjoy stories, songs, nursery rhymes and a fun craft. For child with an adult. Please pre-register at the information desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.



Steampunk Jewelry

Sept 15 | Sat | 2-3p
Age 16 - adult

Delve into the steampunk movement, which centers around Victorian sci-fi and fantasy. Create your own one-of-a-kind jewelry accessories and learn the basics of jewelry making while also building your own style of steampunk. Supplies included.

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play With Me

Sept 30, 27 | Thur
9:30-10:30a and
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 edu-



cational 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. Pre-register by calling the library or visiting the reference desk.

Capitol Hill Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6



Family Place: 1-2-3 Play With Me
Sept 5, 12, 19, 26 | Wed
9:30-10:30a

Age 5 & younger w/parent

A parent-child interactive workshop designed for education and fun! Caregivers play with their children while learning from a resource professional. Different topics are presented each week, including nutrition, speech and language pathology, early childhood development, early literacy, and more. Bring your questions and be prepared for fun! Spanish speaking professionals or translators will be available.



GED

Sept 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26
Mon & Wed | 1-4p
Age 16 and older

Free GED test preparation class from the OKC Public School Adult Education Center. All supplies provided. Enroll with teacher on any day classes are in session. For more info please call 231-2053. Co-Sponsor: OKCPS Adult Education.



Gaming Club

Sept 5, 19 | Wed | 4:30-5:30p
All ages

Join us after school for some Gaming time. Play GameCube and Kinect or bring your Yu Gi Oh! and Pokemon cards and battle it out.

Children Reading to Dogs

Sept 8 | Sat | 1-2p

Children who can read

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



Carmen T. Bernier-Grand Author Visit

Sept 10 | Mon | 9:30-10:30a

All ages

Carmen T. Bernier-Grand is a three time Pura Belpre honor winner for writing. Originally from Puerto Rico, she writes stories and poetry for children about her childhood, about important Latino cultural figures and collections of folktales from her country. Carmen will talk about her country, her books and about becoming a children's author. Cosponsor: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System.

Conversational Spanish II

Sept 10,17,24 | 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 3 month class that will meet on Monday evenings from September 10th-December 10th. Register by calling the library, or sign up at the information desk.



Kids On the Hill Book Club

Sept 12,26 | Wed | 4-5:30p

Grades 2 -4

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

What's the Write Word? Creative Writing Club

Sept 13,27 | Thur | 5-6p

Grades 4-7

Are you a natural wordsmith? Do you have a way with words? Do you love the feel of a pen in your hand and a stack of fresh white paper on your desk? Then you belong in the Capitol Hill Creative Writing Club. We will meet every other Thursday. Learn how words have rhythm and flow. See how writing helps enhance your perspective and teaches you how to think outside of the box.

Bilingual Story Time -

English y Español

Sept 20 | Thur | 6:30-7:15p

Age 2-6

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



Soap Making

Sept 22 | Sat | 11a-12:15p

Adults

This program will demonstrate the process of making soap using the cold process method. Use your creativity to make soap creations by hand.

Choctaw Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6



Lapsit Storytime

Sept 4,11,18,25 | Tue

9:30-10a

Ages 6 months-3 years

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



Preschool Storytime

Sept 4,11,18,25 | Tue

10:30-11a

Ages 3-5

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



Lil' Lit' Club

Sept 5,12,19,26 | Wed

1:30-2p

Readers age 4 and older

Do you like to read aloud and act out stories? Join the Lil' Lit' Club for weekly activities. Children will benefit from reading the



selection in advance with their family. Check with the information desk for next title. Call 390-8418.

Parachute Play

Sept 6 | Thur | 10:30-11a

Ages 3-5

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



Open Play Time

Sept 8 | Sat | 10-11a

Age 6 months-5 yrs w/parent

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



Children Reading to Dogs

Sept 8 | Sat | 3-4p

Sept 19 | Wed | 4-5p

Children who can read

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



Diabetes 101

Sept 11 | Tue | 6-7:30p

Adults

Learn to live life to the fullest with diabetes. Carolyn Seibold, RN with the Midwest City Diabetes Education Center will hold a basic diabetes education course that will give participants a good understanding of the disease including information about how to manage diabetes through diet, exercise, and medication. Pre-Registration 390-8418 ext 3 Cosponsor: Midwest Regional Medical Center

Pizza and Plots-Teen Book Club

Sept 12 | Wed | 4:30-5:30p

Teens

Choctaw Library has a book club just for Teens! Come enjoy pizza, snacks and drinks as we talk about awesome books. For the September meeting we will have a special steampunk themed event where we will discuss *Leviathan* by Scott Westerfield.





SUGAR FREE ALLSTARS

SATURDAY, SEPT. 29 | 2:30-3:15pm

Join the Sugar Free Allstars as this two-piece band puts on a concert full of fun and funky tunes with so much interaction that **EVERYONE** gets to be part of the act!

SOUTHERN OAKS LIBRARY
6900 S. WALKER | 631-4468
GRAND RE-OPENING

Yoga for Your Health

Sept 12, 19, 26 | Wed | 6:15-7:15p
Adults

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

Genealogy

Sept 15 | Sat | 10a-12:30p
Adults

Kathy Huber, Genealogy Librarian and Manager of the Tulsa Genealogy Center with Tulsa City-County Library System will be the principal presenter. Kathy will cover the 1940 Census, DAR database research and genealogy resources at the Tulsa Genealogy Center. Resources materials packets will be available. Preregistration preferred. Cosponsor: DAR-Oklahoma Chapter and EOC Tech.



Child Guidance Consultations

Sept 20 | Thur | Noon-4p
Ages birth-5 years
w/parent or guardian

Child Guidance is offering developmental and speech/language screenings compared to other children the same age. At a screening appointment, your child's developmental progress



will be assessed. Any questions or concerns you may have about your child's development or behavior will be discussed. Information about upcoming stages and home activities will be given. Screenings will include a small fee. Parents of young children can schedule your screening appointment, please call Child Guidance @ 405-425-4412. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health.

Ookami Anime Club

Sept 22 | Sat | 2:30-4p
Teens

Come to a special steampunk themed anime club meeting. We will watch steampunk anime, have a steampunk cosplay contest, and serve tea and snacks. Share and discuss your favorite Anime and Manga (Japanese drawings and cartoons). Screen new Anime episodes each month! Snacks will be provided so come join the fun! *Anime may contain material that is considered unsuitable for ages 13 and younger.



Teens

Lego Club

Sept 26 | Wed | 4-5:30p
All ages

Build with the Lego Club at the Choctaw Library. Open to all ages. Legos provided. Join us or call for more information at 390-8418.

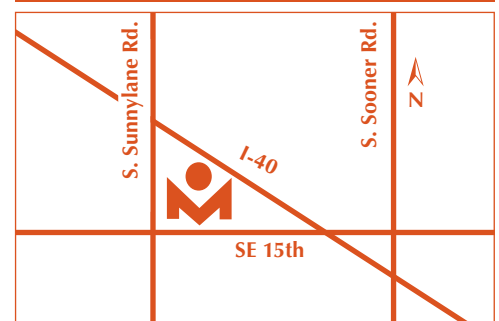
Del City Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
 Sun: 1-6



Ayumu Anime Club

Sept 4 | Tue | 4:30-5:30p
Teens

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



Teens

Learn the Language of Investing & Finance

Sept 4 | Tue | 6-7:30p

Adults

Don't know a bond from a benchmark? Learn the language of investing and finance in this introductory workshop and how you can create your own income statement and balance sheet. For more information, please call 672-1377.

Storytime

Sept 7 | Fri | 10:30-11a

Ages 3-6

Children benefit a lot from storytimes: an increased attention span, a larger vocabulary, and better listening skills just to name a few. But, most of all storytimes are fun! So please join us for stories, songs, action rhymes, and more. To sign up or for more information visit us at the Del City Library or call 672-1377.



Carmen T. Bernier-Grand Author Visit

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All ages

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Free Money for College

Sept 12 | Wed | 6-7:30p

All ages

Attention parents and students! Find out how to minimize the cost of college! Learn how to search and apply for scholarships as well as how to prepare for personal interviews and write scholarship essays. For more information please call 672-1377. Cosponsored by Scholarship Paths.

Steampunk Jewelry

Sept 13 | Thur | 4:30-5:30p

Teens and adult

Delve into the steampunk movement, which centers around Victorian sci-fi and fantasy. Create your own one-of-a-kind jewelry accessories and learn the basics of jewelry making while also building your own style of steampunk. Supplies included.

Children Reading to Dogs

Sept 13, 27 | Thur

6:30-7:30p

Sept 22 | Sat | 9a-Noon

Children at reading age

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



Family Craft Night

Sept 17 | Mon | 6:30-7:30p

All ages

Spend some together time making a craft. Space is limited please sign up when you visit the library or by calling 672-1377.

Teen Reads Book Club

Sept 18 | Tue | 4:30-5:30p

Teens

Hey teens, do you like books and pizza? Of course you do! Read the book first or read it after, just be ready to talk books! This month we are reading *Steampunk!* an anthology of fantastically rich and strange stories." Reserve a copy or stop by the Information Desk to pick up a copy of the book.



Teens

Metropolitan Library Commission of Oklahoma County

Sept 20 | Thur | 3:30-5p

Del City Library

4509 S.E. 15th

405.672.1377

The public is welcome to attend.



Movie Night

Sept 20 | Thur | 6-8p

All ages

Please join us for a "Night at the Movies!" The curtain goes up at 6 pm and all are welcome to attend! This month we are showing a Steampunk classic. Please call (405) 672-1377 for movie titles.

Play Time

Sept 22 | Sat | 2-3p

Ages 6 mos - 4 years

We're pulling out all the toys for you and your child because we know that playing is an essential part of your child's development; especially when you play along. Please call 672-1377 or visit the library for more information



Diabetes 101

Sept 25 | Tue | 5:30-7p

Adults

Learn to live life to the fullest with diabetes. Carolyn Seibold from the Midwest City Diabetes Education Center will hold a basic diabetes education course that will give participants a good understanding of the disease including information about how to manage diabetes through diet, exercise, and medication. Cosponsor: Midwest Regional Medical Center.

Busy Persons's Book Club

Sept 27 | Thur | 6-7p

Adults

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



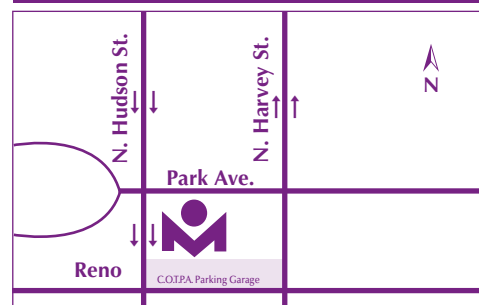
Downtown Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6



Computer Basics

Sept 4, 11, 18 | Tue | 6-7:30p

Adult

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.



Wednesday Night at the Movies

Sept 5, 12, 19, 26 | Wed | 6-8p

Adults

Movies are rated PG-13. Call (405) 606-3879 for movie titles.

Urban Sprouts Story Time

Rhymes

Sept 6,20 | Thur

10-10:30a

Ages 1-5

We are taking the old school storytime and giving it a fresh, new, hip twist for all the urban and suburban toddlers and their parents out there... Every 1st & 3rd Thursday. No registration necessary.



Noon Tunes

Sept 6,13,20,27 | Thur

Noon-1p

All ages

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

Sept 6: *Jane Mays*

Sept 13: *Allegria Real*

Sept 20: *Ali Harter*

Sept 27: *UCO Ensemble*



Steampunk 101 Mini-Con

Sept 8 | Sat | 11:30a-3:30p

Teens and Adults

Join us for an exploration of the World of Steampunk.

English as a Second Language - Advanced

Sept 10,17,24 | Mon | 1-4p

Adults

Every Monday, strengthen and improve your English so you are ready to interview for a better job, be successful in school or just be more engaged in your community. No registration required. Cosponsor: OKC Adult Learning Center.



Tai Chi for Better Balance

Sept 10,17,24 | Mon | 6-7:30p

Adults

Melt away your Monday stress while improving your balance and mobility. This is a very low impact, beginner level Tai Chi course. We will learn eight form exercises endorsed by the OKC County Health Department. This is a 12 week progressive series, however, you are welcome to drop in anytime to give it a try. Cosponsor: OCCHD.

Urban Sprouts Story Wild Card

Sept 13 | Thur

10-10:30a

Ages 1-5

We could be creating a craft or enjoying a performance...Maybe we will be 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 2nd Thursday of each month.



Children Reading to Dogs

Sept 15 | Sat | 3-4p

Ages 5 and older

Come read to a friendly, fuzzy pal Children practice their reading skills while building their confidence. Dogs are nonjudgmental and always appreciative. The dogs and their humans are trained and certified through Therapy Dogs International. Offered the 3rd Saturday of each month.



Urban Sprouts- Music With

Miss Ginger

Sept 27 | Thur

10-10:30a

Ages 1-5

Join us for an exploration of music through songs, dance, imagination and so much more!! Offered the 4th Thursday of each month.



Edmond Library

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

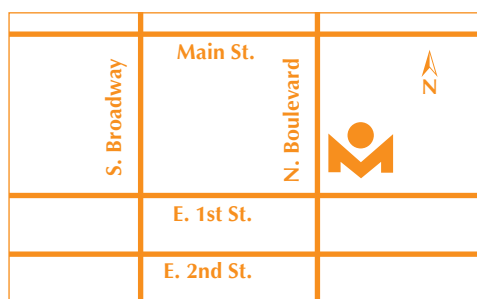
HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9

Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5

Sun: 1-6



Lapsit Playtime and Storytime

Sept 4,11,18,25 | Tue

9-9:45a and 10-10:45a

and 11-11:45a

Ages birth - 2 yrs old

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



GED

Sept 4,6,11,13,18,20,25,27

Tue & Thur | 5:30-8:30p

Adults

Students are invited to attend free GED classes. Review English, social studies, science, essay writing and math skills in preparation for the GED test. Materials are provided. Classes are open to students 16 years and older who are not currently enrolled in high school. For



students 16-17, a notarized consent waiver form is required. Register by calling 682-7873 or with the instructor the first day you attend class. Cosponsor: OCCC.

Chess Club for Teens

Sept 4,11,18,25 | Tue | 6-7p

Teens

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



Teens

Children Reading to Dogs

Sept 4,18 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p

Children who read

Read to a specially trained dog who loves to hear a good book! This program is especially valuable for building self confidence and self-esteem in those needing an uncritical, appreciative listening audience to improve reading skills. All dogs and owners are trained and certified as dog therapy teams, and most through Therapy Dogs International.



Baby Bounce

Sept 5,12,19,26 | Wed

9-9:45a

Birth to 18 months

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



55+ Coffee Break

Sept 5,12,19,26 | Wed | 9:30-11a

Seniors

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

Toddler Time for 2s

Sept 5,12,19,26 | Wed

10-10:45a

2 Year old

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



Intermediate ESL

Sept 5,10,12,17,19,24,26

Mon & Wed | 1-4p

Adults

This class is for adults who would like to improve their spoken and written English and includes grammar, conversation, vocabulary, reading, writing, listening, and pronunciation. The class is provided free of charge by Oklahoma City Community College. Register before the start of classes by calling 682-7873 or with the instructor the first day you attend. Cosponsor: OCCC.



Beginning ESL

Sept 5,10,12,17,19,24,26

Mon & Wed | 5:30-8:30p

Adults

Beginning English as a Second Language (ESL) teaches students how to improve their conversational and listening skills in English. Register by calling 682-7873 or with the instructor the first day you attend class. Class and materials are free. Cosponsor: OCCC.



Family Place: 1-2-3

Play With Me

Sept 6,13,20,27 | Thur

9:30-10:30a

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 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. Pre-register by calling the library or visiting the reference desk.



Pajametime

Sept 6,13,20,27 | 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.



Stamp Club

Sept 8,22 | Sat | 10a-Noon

4th Grade and higher

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

Readers' Choice Book Club

Sept 8 | Sat | 10:30a-noon

Adults

The Readers' 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. In September the group will discuss *Swamplandia* by Karen Russell. Contact the library at 341-9282 to reserve a copy.

Edmond Library Book Bunch

Sept 8 | Sat | 2-3:30p

Seniors

Edmond's Book Bunch meets monthly to discuss important and memorable fiction. September's book is *The Master Butcher's Singing Club* by Louise Erdrich. Contact the library to reserve a copy.

E-Media Workshops

Sept 8,22 | Sat | 2-4:15p

Age 16-Adult

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



Yu-Gi-Oh Tournament

Sept 8 | Sat | 3-4:30p

School-age children

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

Advanced Farsi

Sept 9,16,23,30 | 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

Sept 9,16,23,30 | Sun

2:30-3:30p

Adults and teens

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



Preschool Storytime

Sept 10,17,24 | Mon

10-10:30a

Ages 3-5

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



In Stitches Edmond Library Needlework Group

Sept 11 | Tue | 6:30-8:30p

Adults

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

Developmental Screenings

Sept 12 | Wed | 1-5p

Birth-5 years

Child Screenings are available for children from birth through 5 years of age and provide a general look at how children are doing compared to other children the same age. Any questions or concerns you have about your child's behavior or development will be discussed. Information about upcoming stages of development and home activities to enhance development will be provided. A parent or legal guardian must accompany the child for the screening. Appointments will be scheduled for one hour duration and will include a small fee. Medicaid is accepted. No person will be denied services for inability to pay. Call Child Guidance to schedule an appointment. 405-425-4412. Facilitated by: Robyn Sears MS, CCPS, CFLE. Cosponsor: OCCHD.



Edmond Manga and Anime Club

Sept 13 | Thur | 4-5:30p

Teens

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



History Book Club

Sept 13 | Thur | 6:30-8p

Adults

The Edmond History Book is held every other month September-May. The sessions are led by history professors from the University of Central Oklahoma. The September discussion, led by Dr. Jessica Sheetz-Nguyen, will focus on *Dickens and the Workhouse: Oliver Twist and the London Poor* by Ruth Richardson. Contact the

Metropolitan Library System Presents

The World of Steampunk

FOR TEENS AND ADULTS:

Steampunk Jewelry

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

Saturday, Sept. 29, 1pm | Edmond Library

Steampunk 101 Mini-Con

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

Steampunk Movie Night

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

TEENS ONLY:

Pizza and Plots Book Club for Teens Only –

Reading *Leviathan* by Scott Westerfeld

Wednesday, Sept. 12, 4:30pm | Choctaw Library

Teen Reads Book Club for Teens Only –

Reading *Steampunk!: An Anthology of Fantastically Rich & Strange Stories*

Tuesday, Sept. 18, 4:30pm | Del City Library

Anime Club

A special meeting with a costume contest, tea, and steampunk anime for Teens Only

Saturday, Sept. 22, 2:30pm | Choctaw Library

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



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library to reserve a copy. Cosponsor: University of Central Oklahoma.

Music With Susan

Sept 14, 28 | Fri | 10-10:30a and 10:40-11:10a

Ages 2 and 3

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



Music With Susan

Sept 14, 28 | Fri
11:15-11:45

Ages 4 and 5

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



Making Sense of the Civil War

Sept 18 | Tue | 6:30-8:30p

Adults

The Edmond Library is hosting a new reading and discussion series titled "Making Sense of the American Civil War." This series is designed to offer you an opportunity to

learn about the legacy of the Civil War and emancipation through historical and contemporary literature and exploring these works in scholar-led discussions at the library. Dr. Stan Adamiak, UCO professor of history, will lead the five-part series. The dates for the 5 sessions are Sept. 18, Oct. 9, Oct. 30, Nov. 27 & Dec. 18. All reading materials will be provided. Space is limited. Please register and pick up your course materials at the library beginning August 21. Cosponsor: Oklahoma Humanities Council, National Endowment for the Humanities, American Library Association.

Steampunk Jewelry

Sept 29 | Sat | 1-2p

Teen - adults

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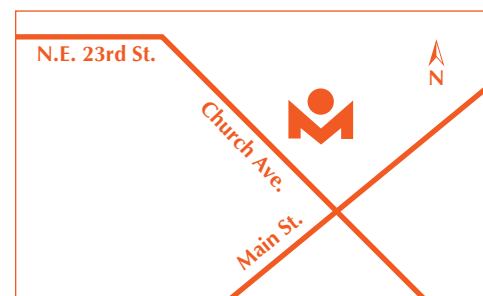
Harrah Library

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

HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9:30-6
Fri: 9-5

Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed



Children Reading To Dogs

Sept 8 | Sat | 9a-noon

K-6th Grade

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

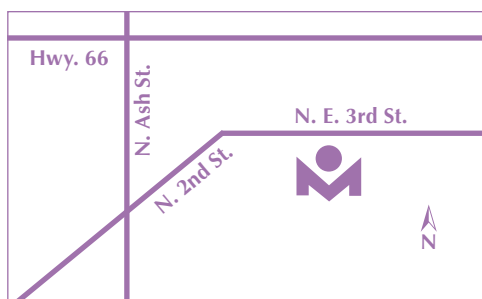


Luther Library

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

HOURS

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

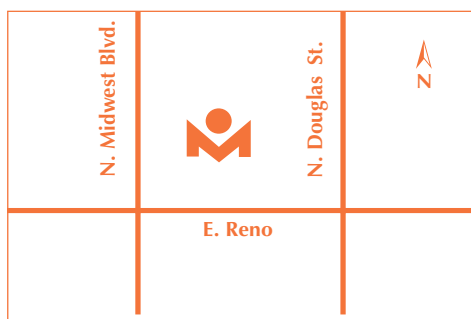


Midwest City Library

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

HOURS

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



Music for Babies and Toddlers

Sept 5 | Wed | 10-10:45a
Infants - 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.

Chess Club at the Midwest City Library

Sept 5 | Wed | 4:30p-5:30p
All ages

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

Oklahoma County Triad: Keeping Our Citizens Safe

Sept 4 | Tue | 11a-Noon
Adults

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

Coffee Break

Sept 10 | Mon | 9:30-11a
Adults

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

Farmer's Tea

Sept 12 | Wed | 2-4p
Adults

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

Quilting

Sept 17 | Mon | 10a-4p
Adults

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

Exhibit: The Magnificent Masks of Patrick Riley

Sept 1-30 | Library Hours
All ages

Gifted Oklahoma artist and teacher Patrick Riley will present an exhibition of his magnificent masks at the MWC Library during the month of September. The exhibit is free and open to the public during all library hours

Knit Wit

Sept 4,18 | Tue | 10a-Noon
Adults

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

ESL

Sept 4,6,11,13,18,20
Tue & Thur | 5:30-7:30p
Adults

Beginning English as a Second Language (ESL) teaches students how to improve their conversational and listening skills in English. Register by calling 682-7873 or with the instructor the first day you attend class. Class and materials are free. Cosponsor: OCCC.



Pajama Storytime

Sept 4 | 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.



Mad Scientist Lab

Sept 6,13 | Thur | 4:30-5:15p
Sept 8 | Sat | 3:30-4:15p
Ages 6-12

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

Soldier Creek Quilting Group

Sept 10,17,24 | Mon | 9a-2p
All ages

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

Preschool Storytime

Sept 10,17 | Mon
10-10:30a
Ages 2-5 w/parent

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



Whose Line?

Sept 10 | Mon | 5:30-7p
Ages 10-16

Get your IMPROV ON! today. No registration required.



Teens

Children Reading to Dogs
Sept 11,25 | Tue | 7-7:30p
Children who can read



Read to a specially trained dog who loves to hear a good book! The dogs particularly enjoy hearing one of the dog stories we will have, but you can bring your own book too. It is especially valuable in building self confidence and self-esteem for those needing an uncritical, appreciative, listening audience to improve reading skills. All dogs and owners are trained and certified as dog therapy teams. Registration is required. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up. Cosponsor: Creatures & Kids and TDI.

Non-Fiction Book Club
Sept 13 | Thur | 7-8p
Adults

Come join us for the Midwest City Nonfiction Readers' Book Club where we will read and discuss an array of titles of varying subject matter. U.S. & world history, science and technology, global exploration and adventure as well as political and social issue titles will be contenders for discussion. To sign up and receive a copy of the book, please call 405-732-4828 or visit the information desk.

AAA Motor Vehicle Crash Prevention Course

Sept 15 | Sat | 9a-4p
Adults

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

Yadah-Yadah Ready to Read Book Club

Sept 15 | Sat | 11a-Noon
Teens



Teens

Do you like to read books that inspire and challenge you to think? Or, do you enjoy good conversation/discussing ideas about different book topics? Come to the Midwest City Library and express your thoughts and be heard at the Yadah Yadah book club for teens. To attend please contact the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Cosponsor: Yadah Yadah Ready to Read.

Readers' Society Book Club
Sept 18 | Tue | 10-11:30a
Adults

The Readers' Society meets the third Tuesday of each month to discuss adult fiction in a variety of genres. Call or visit the information desk to get a copy of this month's selection. 732-4828.

Family Craft Night
Sept 18 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p
All ages

Come to the library for a fun evening of craft activities. We will have several craft stations 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.

Spanish Level 4
Sept 19,26 | Wed
6:15-7:15p
Adults



Designed for intermediate Spanish speakers or students who have successfully completed a beginner to intermediate Spanish course. This class will continue to focus on vocabulary, grammar, pronunciation and reading while building confidence, comprehension and speaking ability. By the end of this class students will have the confidence to initiate and participate in simple Spanish conversations.

Spanish Level 2
Sept 19,26 | Wed | 7:30p
Adults



Learn basic vocabulary, grammar & pronunciation in a fun, relaxed and interactive atmosphere.

Adult Movie Night
Sept 20 | Thur | 6-8:30p
Adults

In comparison to cancer, heart disease and AIDS, Alzheimer's disease greatly lags in research funding, media attention, and celebrity support. Examine the personal and societal implications of this discrepancy, profiling families living with Alzheimer's, interviewing the doctors on the front lines, and scrutinizing the latest research. Come witness this power documentary, *Alzheimer's Disease: Facing the Facts*. For more information, please contact 405-732-4828

Toddler Aerobics
Sept 24 | Mon | 10-10:30a
Ages 2-5 w/parent



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

Power of Reasoning
Sept 29 | Sat | 2-3p
Adults

Learn how to develop and synthesize the mind skills of memory, concentration, and imagination into the ultimate power of the conscious

mind: Reasoning. Discover how to use reasoning to forgive the past, embrace the present, and create the life you were born to live. Cosponsor: School of Metaphysics

Yu-Gi-Oh Game Tournament
Sept 29 | Sat | 2-4p
Ages 10-16



Teens

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

Nicoma Park Library

2240 Overholser, Nicoma Park
 (405) 769-9452

HOURS

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



Children Reading to Dogs
Sept 6,20 | Thur | 4-4:45p
Ages 3 and older



Every first and third Thursday of the month, children improve their reading skills with D'Leo and his owner who are trained and registered with Therapy Dogs International. For more information, please call 769-9452.

Ladies Crafters
Sept 18 | Tue | 10a-Noon
All ages

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

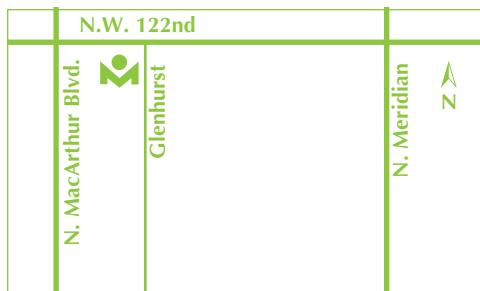


Northwest Library

5600 NW 122nd
(405) 606-3580

HOURS

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



Play With Me

Sept 4 | Tue | 10a and 1p
Ages 3-5

Come with your young children to play time at the library followed by a brief interactive story time. Siblings and grandparents are welcome. Please call to register as space is limited! 606-3580.



Play With Me

Sept 4 | Tue
10:45a and 1:45p
Birth to age 2

Come with your young children to play time at the library followed by a brief interactive story time. Siblings and grandparents are welcome. Please call to register as space is limited! 606-3580.



Tai Chi for Better Balance

Sept 4,6,11,13,18,20,25,27
Tue and Thur | 2-2:45p
Seniors

Tai Chi classes are now being offered at the NW Library! Come learn basic Tai Chi forms to improve balance and mobility. We will go through the eight form exercises endorsed by the Oklahoma City County Health Department and expand upon those as the class progresses. Classes meet Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please register at 606-3580. Cosponsor: OCCHD.

GED

Sept 4,6,11,13,18,20,25,27
Tue & Thur | 6-8:30p
Adults

Want to advance your education? Need to prepare for the GED test? Oklahoma City Community College Family and Community Education Center is partnering with the library to offer Adult Basic Education classes. Classes are free, however pre-enrollment is required. Classes meet Monday and Wednesday



evenings from 6-8:30 PM. Contact the Family and Community Education Center at (405) 682-7873 for more information and to enroll. Cosponsor: OKCCC Adult Learning Center.

Salud Total; Total Wellness

Sept 5,12,19,26 | Wed | 9:30-10:30a
Adults; Aldultos

¡Usted puede lucir y sentirse mejor! Aprenda a practicar un estilo de vida más saludable. Las clases se reúnen una hora por semana durante 12 semanas. Salud Total puede ayudar a prevenir enfermedades crónicas como la diabetes, algunos tipos de cáncer, asma, y enfermedades del corazón. Llame a Victoria Greening (405) 419-4203 Departamento de Salud del la Ciudad y del Condado de Oklahoma. Cosponsor: OCCHD.

Circle of Parents: Parental Support Group

Sept 4,11,18,25 | Tue
10-11:15a
Adults

Sharing Ideas. Sharing Support. A network of parent-led, self-help groups where parents and caregivers can share ideas, celebrate successes and address the challenges surrounding parenting. Anyone in a parenting role is welcome. Pre-register with OCCHD at 425-4412. Facilitated by a Child Development Specialist from Child Guidance, OKC-County Health Department. Cosponsor: OCCHD.



Children Reading to Dogs

Sept 10,17,24 | Mon | 6-8p
School age children

Come and read to a dog! Readers can come to practice and improve their reading skills by reading to a licensed therapy dog. The dogs with their owners act as an uncritical, appreciative audience with excellent listening skills! Program is designed for hesitant or reluctant readers to help build reading confidence. Bring your own book, or borrow one from us. Pre-registration is recommended at (405) 606-3580 to ensure we have enough dogs for children!



Storytime For Ages 3-5

Sept 11 | Tue | 10a and 1p
Ages 3-5

Come with your child for story time at the library. Wiggles are welcome as we will have stories, music, games, and a craft. Siblings and grandparents are welcome. Please call 606-3580 to register as space is limited!



Storytime For Ages Birth to 2

Sept 11 | Tue | 10:45a
and 1:45p
Birth - 2 years

Come with your child for story time at the



library. Wiggles are welcome as we will have stories, music, games, and a craft. Siblings and grandparents are welcome. Please call 606-3580 to register as space is limited!

Carmen T. Bernier-Grand Author Visit

Sept 11 | Tue | 6-7p
All ages

Carmen T. Bernier-Grand is a three time Pura Belpre honor winner for writing. Originally from Puerto Rico, she writes stories and poetry for children about her childhood, about important Latino cultural figures and collections of folktales from her country. Carmen will talk about her country, her books and about becoming a children's author. Cosponsor: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System.

Chess Club

Sept 11,18,25 | Tue | 6-7p
Older elementary, teens, and adults

Have you ever wanted to learn how to play chess? Know how to play, but need people to play with? Come to the Northwest Library to play this popular game! Club is open for school age children and adults. Bring the whole family and exercise your brain by playing chess! Please pre-register at (405) 606-3580 as space is limited.

Public Art Unveiling and Meet the Artist

Sept 17 | Mon | 6:30-8p
All ages

Come join us in viewing the new public art at the Northwest Library and meet Solomon Bassoff, the talented artist responsible for the beautiful new pieces in and around the library.



Wiggles and Giggles

Sept 18 | Tue | 10a and 1p
Ages 3-5

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



Wiggles and Giggles

Sept 18 | Tue | 10:45a
and 1:45p
Birth to age 2

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



Music Play
Sept 25 | Tue | 10a
Ages 3-5

Enjoy songs and musical games with your child.



Music Play
Sept 25 | Tue | 10:45a
Birth to age 2

Enjoy songs and musical games with your child.



Kindermusic With
Miss Ginger
Sept 25 | Tue | 1p
Ages 3-5

Come with your child to enjoy songs and musical games with Ginger Waldrip of Ginger's Kindermusik. Instruments will be provided for those who have registered at the NW Library at 606-3580.



Kindermusic With
Miss Ginger
Sept 25 | Tue | 1:45p
Birth to age 2

Come with your child to enjoy songs and musical games with Ginger Waldrip of Ginger's Kindermusik. Instruments will be provided for those who have registered at the NW Library at 606-3580.



Child Development
Screenings
Sept 27 | Thur | 9a-Noon
Early childhood

The Oklahoma City County Health Department is partnering with the library to offer child development screenings as a general look at how children are doing compared to other children their age. At a screening appointment, your child's developmental progress will be discussed. Information about upcoming stages and home activities will be given. Screenings include a small fee. To schedule your appointment, please call OCCHD Child Guidance at (405) 425-4412. Cosponsor: OCCHD.



Ralph Ellison Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
 Sun: 1-6

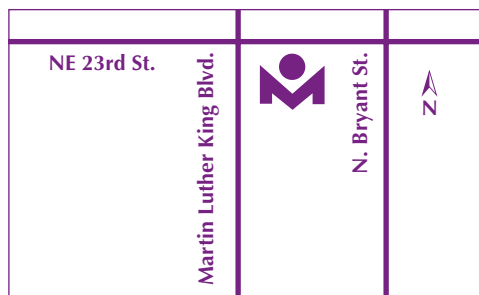


Exhibit: You've Been Framed!
Sept 1-30 | During Library Hours
All ages

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.

Salsa Dancing
Sept 1,8,15,22,29 | Sat
11:30a-12:30p
Age 16 and older

Looking for a fun way to stay in shape? Want to learn some new moves on the dance floor? Then join our Salsa Dancing for Beginners class Saturdays all month long. Dancing partners recommended but not required. Sign up at 606-3457



Board Games Tuesdays
Sept 4,11,18,25 | Tue | 4:30-5:30p
All ages

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

Jazz on the Lawn
Sept 4 | Tue | 6:30-8:30p
All ages

Join us for a night of live jazz music from the Bruce Benson and Studio B Band. Also, enjoy outdoor games, light refreshments, and fun outside on the library lawn! We want to encourage families to bring blankets or lawn chairs to sit on, dinner in picnic baskets, and to wear comfortable clothes so you can move around.



Family Place: 1-2-3
Play With Me
Sept 5,12,19,26 | Wed
10-11a
Infants to age 4 w/parent

Playing with your baby or child is not only im-



portant 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. Pre-register by calling the library or visiting the reference desk.

Videography 101
Sept 5,6,12,13,19,20,26,27
Wed and Thur | 5-7p
Ages 13-18

Creative Gabrielle Productions is leading a Videography 101 course where teens will have the opportunity to take part in the behind the scenes work of creating a commercial. Teens will meet for 10 classes and learn basic production techniques such as camera work and editing. This course is limited to 8 teens. If you are interested, write a response no longer than 1 page in answer to the following question, why are you interested in videography? To enter, turn in your essay at 2000 NE 23rd St or e-mail it to tkingery@metrolibrary.org.



Tai Chi
Sept 8,15,22,29 | Sat | 9:30-10:30a
All ages

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

Yoga and Hip Hop
Sept 10,17,24 | Mon | 6-7:15p
Adults

Join Yoga instructor Ezir'ra James as he leads you through a 10-week program that introduces yoga as a daily practice for general health and well-being. What makes this yoga class unique is how it's blended with hip hop culture. Classes are on Monday evenings from 6 to 7:15 pm.

Guy's Night
Sept 11 | Tue | 5-6:30p
All ages

Boys of all ages are invited to bond over video games, board games, and delicious snacks. Invite your brother, dad, grandpa, and great grandpa for a night of guy time! This event is for boys only! Sign up is required. Call 424-1437 or visit the library to do so.

Colors, Colors Everywhere

Sept 13 | Thur | 6-7p

Age 3 and older

Eggshell, Tangerine, Ginger, and Camel. What do these words have in common? They are all special names for colors! If you're ready to mix, match, and make, stop by the library and explore the exciting world of color through a variety of fun hands-on activities.



Shinigami Anime Club

Sept 18 | Tue | 4-6p

Tweens and teens

NOTE: September club meeting is the 3rd Tuesday due to scheduling conflict on the 4th Tuesday. 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 and is open for tweens and teens.



African American Community

Diabetes Prevention Partners

Sept 24 | Mon | 11:30a-12:30p

All ages

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

S.O.U.P.-Open Mic Poetry Night

Sept 24 | Mon | 6:30-8p

All ages

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

Mother Goose on the Loose

Sept 27 | Thur | 6-6:30p

Birth to age 5

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



are Blue, Ralph Ellison Library will welcome you!)

Southern Oaks Library

6900 S. Walker, OKC

(405) 631-4468

HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9

Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5

Sun: 1-6



The temporary Southern Oaks Library, at 2914 S.W. 59th Street, will close on September 10. The renovated 6900 S. Walker location opens September 25, at 3:30pm.

Southern Oaks Open House/ Grand Opening!

Sept 25 | Tue | 5:30-7:30p

All ages

Come check out our new look! The Southern Oaks Library will reopen today at 6900 S Walker. Come inside, meet the staff, and see the library. Join us in the meeting room for information on upcoming programs for all ages including storytimes, book clubs, music concerts and more.

Steel Drum Performance

Sept 25 | Tue

6:30-7:30p

All ages

Stop by to hear an excellent steel drum performance by the Santa Fe South Band! Directed by Scott Filleman.



Find the Library Gnomes

Sept 26-29 | Wed-Sat | 9a-Closing

For kids and teens

Come by the Information Desk to get your gnome map. Search for our hidden library gnomes and receive a fun prize! Kids and teens can do this anytime this week, starting September 26 through September 29.

Craft-A-Mania

Sept 26 | Wed | 6:30-7:30p

Kids and teens - Aged 8 and older

Come make rubber band powered rockets and mosaic art masks.

Craft With Kiona

Sept 27 | Thur | 4-5:15p

Kids - aged 6 and older

Come make a cool craft with Kiona.

Friday-Films, Family and Fun

Sept 28 | Fri | 9-9p

All ages

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

Sugar Free Allstars Music

Concert

Sept 29 | Sat | 2:30-3:15p

Kids and families

Ever dreamt of being a rock star? Well the Sugar Free Allstars have got the show for you! This two-piece band puts on a concert full of fun and funky tunes with so much interaction that EVERYONE gets to be part of the act!



The Village Library

10307 N. Pennsylvania Ave., The Village

(405) 755-0710

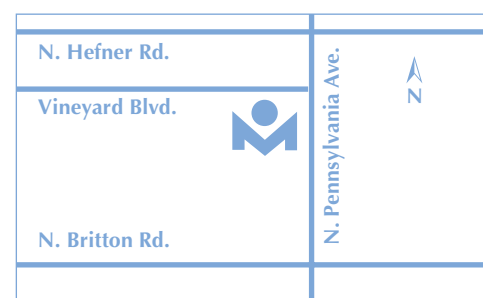
HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9

Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5

Sun: 1-6



Total Wellness

Sept 4,11,25 | Tue | 5:30-6:30p

Adults

Help prevent chronic diseases like diabetes, heart disease, some cancers and asthma. Learn simple ways to a healthier lifestyle. Free classes meet 1 hour a week for 11 weeks, starting 8/28 & ending 11/13. (No class here 9/18.) The goal is for everyone to lose 5% of body weight and become more active. Call (405) 425-4362 or email Total_Wellness@occhd.org to register. Cosponsor: OCCHD.

METROPOLITAN LIBRARY PRESENTS:

September/October 2012

Thursday Noon Tunes

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

- September 6:** Jane Mays, singer/songwriter
September 13: Allegria Real, Latin American Folkloric
September 20: Ali Harter, original roots
September 27: UCO Ensemble, featuring the Claude
Bolling Jazz Suite for piano and flute
October 4: T.J. Haverkamp Trio, jazz piano
October 11: Dustin Prinz, singer/songwriter
October 18: Ali Soltani Trio, classical
October 25: Linwood Elementary Choir

Downtown Library

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

www.metrolibrary.org

*All performances
are free and open to the public.*



Metropolitan
LIBRARY SYSTEM



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Sept 5,12,19,26 | Wed | 6-7p

Sept 6,13,20,27 | Thur

3:30-4:30p

Age 6 and older

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Music With Susan

Sept 6,13,20,27 | Thur

10-10:30a

Age 3 and older

Join Susan for musical fun and activities. Pre-registration is required. Please call 755-0710 or stop by the Information Desk. Sign up will begin on August 13.



Chess Club

Sept 7,14,21,28 | 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.

Book Discussion Group

Sept 17 | Mon | 3-4p

All ages

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

Using Thumb Drives

Sept 20 | Thur | 6:30-8p

Adults

Free computer class for adults! Learn how to save information and photographs from a computer to a thumb drive. Learn how to use a thumb drive to move information from one computer to another computer. Come in or call to sign up (405) 755-0710.



Investing for Tomorrow from Heart of OK Chapter of Better Investing

Sept 20 | Thur | 7-8:30p

Adults

Is the thought of investing for tomorrow so overwhelming that you don't know where to begin? Take the first step by joining us a brief discussion designed to help beginning investors discover some excellent resources available to help them become successful. The Heart of Oklahoma Chapter of BetterInvesting™, a non-profit corporation, will discuss these and other investing topics in this informal presentation. Free, open to the public. Please call or e-mail Joe Whitaker at (405) 478-7990 or joeinvest2011@yahoo.com for more information. Cosponsor: Better Investing.

Knitty Committee

Sept 22 | Sat | 10a-Noon

All ages

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

Child Development Screenings

Sept 27 | Thur | 1-5p

Birth to age 5 w/parent

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



Warr Acres Library

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

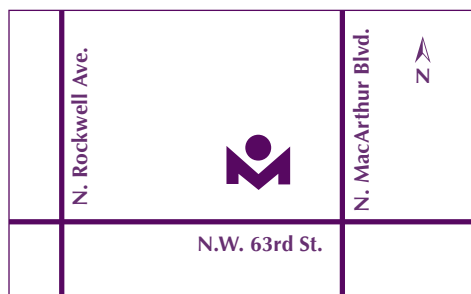
HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9

Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5

Sun: 1-6



ESL

Sept 5,10,12,17,19,24,26

Mon & Wed | 5:30-8p

Adults

Improve your English in this free class for people who are new to the English language. For questions and to register, call Oklahoma City Community College Adult Learning Center at 686-6222. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City Community College.



AARP Driver

Sept 8 | Thur | 9a-4p

Adults

Attention ALL drivers! If you want to learn how to be a better driver and save money,

attend the AARP Driver Safety Course and you may become eligible for a discount on your insurance. Sign up at the information desk or by calling 721-2616. Cost is \$12.00 for AARP members or \$14.00 for nonmembers.

Warr Acres Book Club

Sept 10 | Mon | 11a-Noon

Adults

"The Language of Flowers: A Novel" by Vanessa Diffenbaugh will be discussed this month. After a childhood spent in the foster-care system, Victoria Jones is unable to get close to anybody, and her only connection to the world is through flowers and their meanings. For more information call 721-2616.

Music Play for Preschoolers

Sept 11,25 | Tue | 10:30-11a

Ages 2 1/2 to 5 years

Join us for a fun learning time with Ms. Susan Wood in our meeting room. Please preregister.



Playtime for Babies and Tots

Sept 12,19,26 | Wed

9:15-10a and 10:30-11:15a

Ages 8-30 months old

Play promotes healthy development and learning, so bring your youngster to our library for 45 minutes of toys, lap games and Joy Cavett's music time at the end. (Siblings are welcome) Preregister at 721-2616.



Game Night

Sept 20 | Thur | 6:30-8p

Ages 12-17

Transport yourselves into the virtual game world! Join the party, and play Wii, X-box and Play Station games. Snacks will be served



Build Your Own Business

Sept 29 | Sat | 9:30-11a

Adults

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

Lego Club @ Your Library

Sept 29 | 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.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Libraries Closed for Labor Day	3 Libraries Closed for Labor Day	4	5	6	7	8 Buy-The-Box Friends' Booksale 9am – 1pm 300 NE 50th Street
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Off the Beaten Path

... Discovering New Literary Treasures

VanderMeer, Jeff. *The Steampunk Bible: An Illustrated Guide to the World of Imaginary Airships, Corsets and Goggles, Mad Scientists, and Strange Literature*. 809.38766/V237s

Steampunk, which has been defined as “a grafting of Victorian aesthetic and punk rock attitude onto various forms of science-fiction culture”—think of Jules Verne on steroids—got going as a literary movement in the 1980s and has now infiltrated other of the arts. Get an historical perspective here.

Willeford, Thomas. *Steampunk Gear, Gadgets, and Gizmos: A Maker's Guide to Creating Modern Artifacts*. 745.5/W698s

Author Willeford, aka Lord Archibald “Feathers” Featherstone, leads the novice and the experienced hobbyist through the awesomely retro world of steampunk clothing, paraphernalia, and whatchamacallits. This will get you ready for the Steampunk Mini-Con, Saturday, Sept 8 from 11:30-3:30pm at the Downtown Library.



We're here to serve you.

MLS LIBRARIES – OPEN SUNDAYS

	M	T	W	TH	F	S	S
BELLE ISLE 5501 N. Villa, OKC, 843-9601	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
BETHANY 3510 N. Mueller, Bethany, 789-8363	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
CAPITOL HILL 334 S.W. 26th, OKC, 634-6308	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
CHOCTAW 2525 Muzzy Street, Choctaw, 390-8418	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
DEL CITY 4509 S.E. 15th, Del City, 672-1377	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
DOWNTOWN 300 Park Ave., OKC, 231-8650	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
EDMOND 10 S. Boulevard, Edmond, 341-9282	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
MIDWEST CITY 8143 E. Reno, MWC, 732-4828	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
NORTHWEST 5600 NW 122nd, OKC, 606-3580	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
RALPH ELLISON 2000 N.E. 23rd, OKC, 424-1437	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
SOUTHERN OAKS 6900 S. Walker, OKC 631-4468, Open Sept. 25, 3:30p	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
THE VILLAGE 10307 N. Pennsylvania Avenue, The Village, 755-0710	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
WARR ACRES 5901 N.W. 63rd, Warr Acres, 721-2616	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6

MLS EXTENSION LIBRARIES*

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

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