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National Hispanic Heritage Month runs from September 15 through October 15, but we're getting the jump on it by starting a series of performances by Ballet Flamenco Español Folklorico Dance Company on September 7.

Recognizing the five provinces of Spain and all 33 states of Mexico, the company is dedicated to the preservation and presentation of Spanish dance. It's a grand festival containing more than a hint of the exotic with brilliant dance and costumes, wooden shoes, castanets and even swords. We'll be presenting seven shows running through September 29.

But if it's an exciting new world you want, well, that's what your library card is for. We like to tell kids that they can travel the world without leaving home if they have a library card and an imagination, and September is also National Library Card Sign Up Month, a good time to remind adults that they, too, can use our collections of books, newspapers, music, films and databases to do a little armchair traveling themselves.

So what's your destination in September? Mexico? Sunny Spain? Or the limits of your imagination? Make sure to take your library card. You won't need to pack a bag.

Bon voyage.





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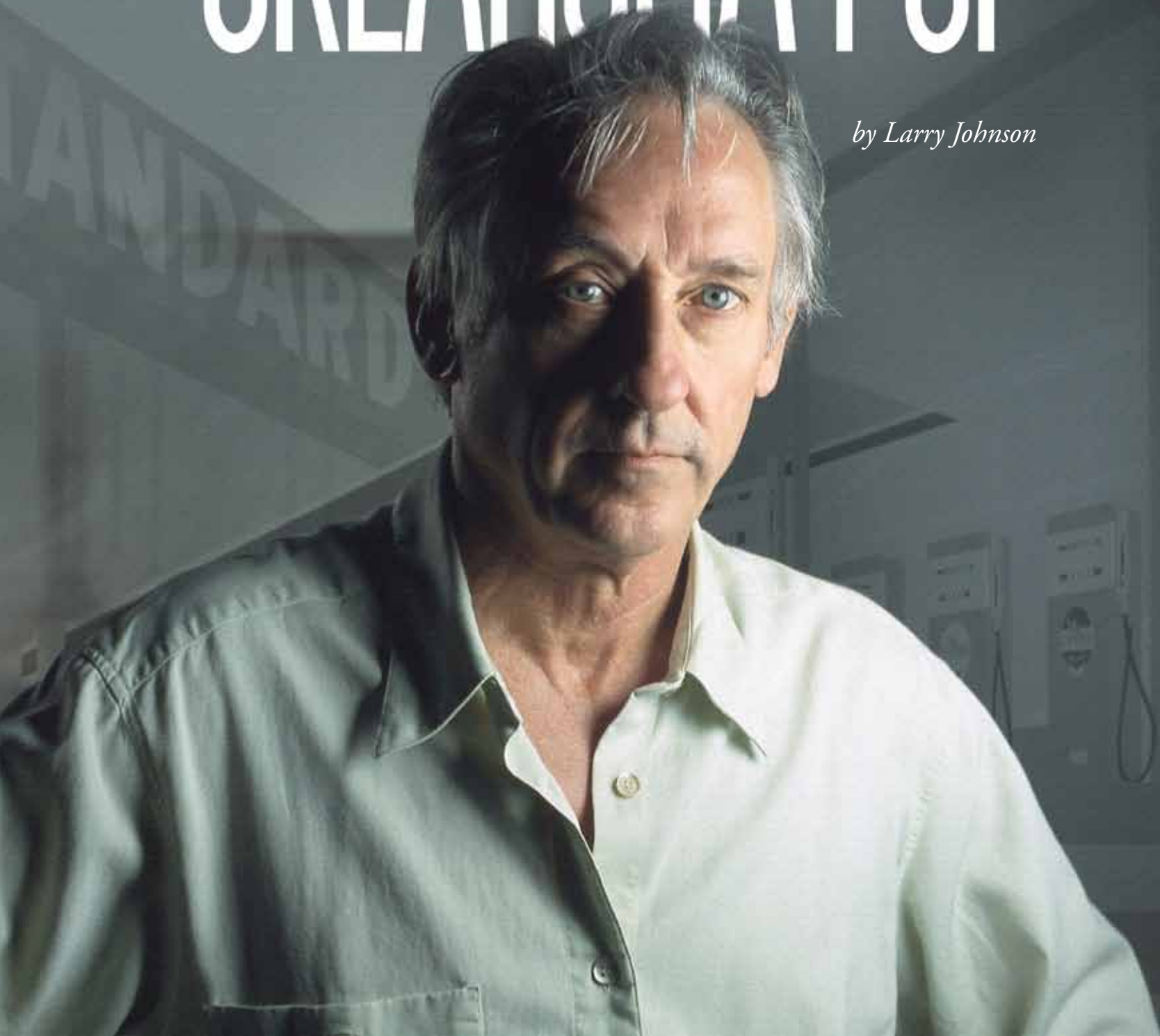
MLS celebrates National Hispanic Heritage Month September 15 through October 15.



Oklahoma Images

OKLAHOMA POP

by Larry Johnson





Recently *Time* magazine released its annual list of the *Time* 100, its “list of the 100 most influential people in the world.” Now in its tenth year, the list hasn’t quite reached the iconic status of the *Fortune* 500 or *Time*’s own Person of the Year, but it is an interesting recap of the year. Most of the Oklahoma-related people on the list over the last decade have been politicians (like this year’s Tom Coburn), energy executives, or entertainers (Brad Pitt has been on the list a few times).

On this year’s list I was surprised to find the name of artist Ed Ruscha (pronounced roo-SHAY). That’s not to say that he isn’t influential but, considering that the art world itself is not nearly as influential as it once was (quick – make out a list of all the contemporary artists you can think of), having a visual artist on the list at all is remarkable. But even more remarkable is that an artist associated with Oklahoma is on the list. Our city and state

being in Los Angeles was iconoclastic for the time. Like his contemporary, Andy Warhol, Ruscha was trained in advertising and graphic arts and he became associated with the same Pop Art movement with Warhol and Roy Liechtenstein. Ruscha’s subjects were often distinctly western, however. Making frequent

drives back and forth to visit Oklahoma he began painting and photographing gas stations and other highway detritus.

He also pioneered the use of cheap



Ed Ruscha’s color screenprint, Standard Station.



Ed Ruscha in the 1960s’.

have simply not produced noted artists in the way that we have sports and entertainment stars.

Ed Ruscha was born in Omaha in 1937 but moved to

Oklahoma City as a toddler. After graduating from high school in 1955 he and his friends, musician Mason Williams and artist Joe Goode (aka Jose Bueno), took a left turn and headed for Los Angeles at time when New York was the beacon for their contemporaries.

Like musician Lee Hazlewood, who was featured in this space a few months ago, Ruscha was an iconoclast in his field. Even

paperback books to market his art, a marked contrast to the traditional, oversized, premium quality “coffee table” art books. Drawing on his training in typography, Ruscha also became known for painting text in mind-bending ways.

Like many artists in the 1960s – and many notables in Los Angeles – Ruscha easily phased between genres, often influencing, borrowing from and collaborating with musicians like Williams and actors like his best pal Dennis Hopper. Through it all Ruscha became what art critic Richard Lacayo calls, “the faux-naïf funnyman of American art, posing smart riddles about what we think we know... like a SoCal Magritte, Ruscha wasn’t interested merely in everyday things but also in the shaky systems of understanding they rested upon.”

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

Bad Monkey by Carl Hiaasen



Every time I think I'd like to retire to south Florida I pick up one of Hiaasen's novels about the screw-loose occupants of the Conch Kingdom and I think, well, maybe not.

Bad Monkey opens with a fisherman turista reeling a human arm out of the sea. It will spend a few days in a restaurant inspector's home refrigerator (don't ask) and then some time in the Miami medical examiner's office before it returns to the Cays for burial, after which it is grave-robbled and is then pulled once again from the ocean on another fishing line. Murder? You think?

Once again Hiaasen shoots his deadliest satiric darts at the anything-for-a-buck humanoids who are despoiling the sea-and-landscape of the Sunshine State. He packs more humorous wallop into a description than anyone

should be allowed to. Like this: "Mrs. Mendez was an unbearable harridan. Her features were a riot of futile surgeries, and she laughed like a mandrill on PCP. Yancy once bought her a margarita at the InterContinental, and for two solid weeks he'd slept with the lights on."

And yes, the monkey on the book's cover is the one that appeared in the *Pirates of the Caribbean* movies. Or so the voodoo queen who owns him believes.

It's Florida, baby.

This title is also available from MLS in digital and audio formats, as well as in a large print edition.

Doug Bentin edits info magazine. On his desk you will find reminders of his favorite things, including a mummified lizard, a rock from Billy the Kid's gravesite, and an autographed photo of Lash LaRue.



reviewed by Doug Bentin

The Testing by Joelle Charbonneau



From the first page of *The Testing*, the reader knows there is something off about Five Lakes Colony. It's graduation day for 16-year-old Cia who is wearing red for the first time, like her mother. No more pink. So young girls wear pink; women wear red? So who is in charge of female dress codes? Cia is hoping that this day is not the end of her education, that her name will be called for The Testing. It's been ten years since anyone from her little colony has been chosen, but somehow the reader can be certain that Cia will be... and she is, along with gray-eyed, handsome Tomas, her friend since childhood.

This is the end of any predictability. Now begins a long nightmarish journey as she and 107 others chosen from all the colonies are forced to compete to the death

to be chosen as a University student and future leader in this dystopian society. The Seven Stages War has left much of the planet and its civilizations charred wastelands, but there are clues about the location of the colonies that help anchor the setting.

If this first in a series sounds similar to *The Hunger Games*, you're right, but this Young Adult novel has a very different and complex plot with background information given as needed. It reads smoothly without any jarring or trite mechanizations in plot, character or setting. It is also reminiscent of *The Giver* in that it's another society that dictates how its young will think and act.

Sally McCurry is a librarian at the Del City Library. Her favorite reading is just about anything she can get her hands on.



reviewed by Sally McCurry



Code Name Verity

by Elizabeth Wein



This audio book, read brilliantly by Morven Christie and Lucy Gaskell, is a stirring story of World War II for young adults. When the British spy plane carrying “Verity” and her best friend crashes in Nazi-occupied France, “Verity” is captured, tortured, and ordered to reveal her mission or face execution. “Verity” agrees to trade her secrets in exchange for a stay of execution and writes her story, especially focusing on how her unlikely friendship with Maddie developed.

Okay, that’s all the plot summary you get. Any more than that would ruin the best part of the book: the complexities and twists and turns of the plot.

Code Name Verity was recently named one of the

reviewed by Elisabeth Wright

Honor books for the Michael L. Printz Award, and deservedly so. It’s the kind of book that, upon finishing, you immediately want to start over and read again, to catch all the details you missed the first time. Though written as a young adult book, *Code Name Verity* may appeal to adults even more than to teens, due to its dense historical details and gritty descriptions of torture.

This title is also available in print.

Elisabeth Wright is the Young Adult Librarian at the Village Library. She’ll never catch up on her “to-read” list, but that doesn’t stop her from trying.



REAMDE

by Neal Stephenson



Neal Stephenson is one of those rare authors who went from writing science fiction to writing regular fiction without changing much of his subject matter. In the early 90s he helped shape the cyberpunk genre by writing about an imaginary computerized “cyberspace.” *REAMDE* amply illustrates the fact that the real-world internet has become even weirder and more complex than anything science fiction could predict.

Richard “Dodge” Forthrust is a former Iowa farmboy turned billionaire tech giant, and is the creator of the world’s most massively popular multiplayer game. His impending midlife crisis is interrupted by the abduction of his adopted niece Zula by the Russian mafia. This sets off a cascading series of conflicts involving Chinese virtual gold farmers, international terrorists, the CIA, and an extremely nasty computer virus.

If you think that sounds like the plot to a Jack Reacher novel, you wouldn’t be far wrong. But while many of the villains and situations seem drawn from contemporary

reviewed by Todd Podzemny

thrillers, the protagonists are classic science fiction hero-nerds. Richard and Zula are dangerous not because they are skilled fighters, but because they are intelligent and possess deep reserves of obscure information they can use to think their way past problems.

This combination of smart main characters and straightforwardly violent secondary characters works very well when they’re thrown up against problems which call for a mixture of cleverness and high explosives. Add in Stephenson’s quirky and frequently hilarious writing style, and you’ve got a fast-paced and fun novel with wide appeal.

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

Todd Podzemny is Manager of Choctaw Library. He is a librarian by day and by night he is also a librarian, but a more casually dressed one.



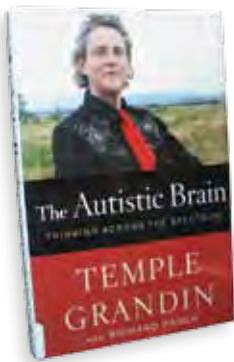
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ON THE SHELF

The Autistic Brain by Temple Grandin

reviewed by Risa White



To date, research on autism has been contradictory at worst and confusing at best. In her new book, Temple Grandin reviews where autism research has been, where it's going, and where she thinks it needs to go. She clarifies what inspired the early views of autism and "refrigerator mothers," looks at what effects the new DSM-5 will have on the world of autism, and talks about the recent research on the physical brain and genetics in relation to autism. Grandin also takes a closer look at the impact of sensory issues for those on the spectrum and how to assist with those issues. Grandin's unique perspective on autism research (she is a professor of animal science at Colorado State University and also has autism) brings a particular relevance to her work.

Research has traditionally focused on understanding

autism as a mental illness or a handicap where the individual is seen as a collection of deficits. Grandin's exploration of the research on autism shows the tide is turning to focus on what strengths the individual has to offer. Individuals with autism are coming to be seen as a gift rather than as a burden to society. As Grandin explores the brain, genes, and ways of thinking, she brings something for everyone interested in autism. Though at times heavy on medical details and jargon, the book concentrates on ways you can help and understand a person with autism, and possibly even better understand yourself.

Risa White is a librarian at Northwest. Random technology questions seem to find her wherever she is.

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ON THE SHELF

The Queen of Versailles

reviewed by Lori Mullooly



Schadenfreude, by definition, is enjoyment obtained from the trouble of others. That enjoyment abounds in *The Queen of Versailles*, a compelling documentary about nouveau riche billionaires Jackie and David Siegel.

The Siegels have made a fortune on pressuring people to buy time-shares. Flush with cash, they begin construction on a 90,000 square foot mansion in Florida. The behemoth, based on the Versailles palace, will be the largest home in the United States. But when the economy tanks in 2008 the Siegels are forced to change their lifestyle.

This documentary works by leading us on an emotional journey. Initially, we are repulsed at the crassness of it all (a stretch limo for a McDonald's run?)

and then smugly satisfied (ha! What did they expect; they don't even know how to feed their own pets). But ultimately we are left with a sense of sadness and worry for this family.

This "pursuit of the American Dream" story is really a cautionary tale about what is important in life. Some may be initially envious of the Siegels and their Versailles manor, but by the end you will be grateful for your abode, however humble.

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



The Only Thing You Absolutely Have To Know*

When did you get your first library card? When you were a kid? Did you start checking books out of the library when you were grade school? Did you enjoy those special trips to the library?

You still can, you know.

*When I was a kid and the other kids were home watching *Leave It to Beaver*, my father and stepmother were marching me off to the library.*

— Oprah Winfrey

So what's more fun—finding just the book you went in looking for, or discovering something you never heard of before?

What's your pleasure—mainstream fiction, mysteries, biographies?

Books are a uniquely portable magic.

— Stephen King

That's a lot of questions, but they automatically come to mind during National Library Card Sign Up Month.

Here's another question: do you know how to get an MLS library card?

The first thing you need to know is that there are four kinds of library card service for a Metropolitan Library card. Most people

are Primary Card holders. The Primary card is for those who live in or own property in Oklahoma City or Oklahoma County. Note that children and teens, up to age 17, need to get a parent or guardian to sign for them. Check out our website for all the details, or ask the next time you visit one of our libraries.

"Harry — I think I've just understood something! I've got to go to the library!"

"Why's she got to go to the library?"

"Because that's what Hermione does," said Ron, shrugging. "When in doubt, go to the library."

— J.K. Rowling,

Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets

We've reminded people for years that a library card is the best bargain going. The average cost of a hardback book is \$25. Books in audio format cost even more. Just for the moment, don't even consider everything else you can get with a library card beside books. If you bought and read one a week, you'd be spending around \$1,300 every year.

Of course, you don't have to get a Library Card in September, but it is National Library Card Sign Up Month, and you are thinking about it . . .

We're ready when you are.

**The only thing that you absolutely have to know, is the location of the library.*

— Albert Einstein





All the Music All the

*Here's the best news
you've read all day –
with your MLS library
card you'll never
have to pay for
music again.
Not ever.
Really.*





Time – And It's Free!

Have you heard about Freegal Music? It's a downloadable music service that offers free and legal (let us repeat that: free and legal) downloads of DRM-free (digital rights management) music.

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can download
up to three songs
for free.

Freegal has nearly three million songs in MP3 format that you can download to

your PC or mobile device, and there is no additional software to download first. The collection draws from around 10,000 music labels and covers genres from acid punk to zydeco, with stops in between for such stuff as bebop, country, jazz, rock, traditional Swedish, whatever your taste is.

Here's how it works. Access the Freegal site at freegal.metrolibrary.org. To logon, enter your library card number and the first four letters of your last name (your "pin"). That's it—you're in. So start browsing.

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You can find full details by visiting our downloads page at, www.metrolibrary.org.

So what do you want to add to your collection this week? Beethoven or Justin Timberlake? Contemporary country or hot jazz? Are you just dying to hear Weird Al Yankovic's "My Bologna"? You can admit it to me—it'll be our secret.



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All MLS libraries will be closed Sunday and Monday, September 2nd and 3rd, in observance of Labor Day.

Almonte Library

See page 19 for more Almonte Library programs/events.

Preschool Story Time

Sept 3,17 | Tue | 10:30-11a

Ages 3-5

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

Almonte Knitting Club

Sept 5 | Thur | 5:30-7p

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.

Trip Around the World

Sept 7,21 | 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.

Parachute Play

Sept 10 | 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.

Almonte Book Club

Sept 19 | 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.

Toddler Aerobics

Sept 24 | 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.

Pajama Story Time

Sept 24 | Tue | 7-7:45p

Ages 2-6 w/parent

Wear your snuggly pajamas and bring your favorite teddy bear or blanket and join us for stories, songs, rhymes and more! Snack provided. Come by or call 606-3575 to sign-up.

Beethoven's Moonlight Sonata with Wayne McEvilly

Sept 28 | Sat | 2-3p

All ages

Join pianist Wayne McEvilly for a one hour program of Beethoven's most famous piano piece, the Moonlight Sonata, with commentary.

Belle Isle Library

See pages 19 and 25 for more Belle Isle Library programs/events.

Gaming Club

Sept 3,10,17,24 | 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!

Jumpstart the Novel

Sept 3,10,17 | Tue | 7-8p

Older teens and adults

Adults 18+ will learn the fundamental skills for outlining a plot, building characters, overcoming writers block, following a "writers" schedule, researching publishing markets, and writing a query letter. Worksheets will be provided by instructor. The goal for each participant is 30,000 words or more by the end of the class.

Service Core of Retired Executives (SCORE) Counseling

Sept 7,21 | 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).

Latin America Classical Guitar Concert

Sept 7 | Sat | 2-3p

All ages

Michael Nigro, Professor of Music at Southern Vanguard University in California, performs a concert celebrating the release of his new recording, "A Journey Through Latin America." He will be performing works by South American and Spanish composers. Known for his engaging commentary and expressive playing, this concert is one not to miss!

Trip Around the World

Sept 11,25 | Wed | 6-7:30p

Grades 1 through 5

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the Information Desk or call the library.
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College Prep: Choosing the Right School for You

Sept 14 | Sat | 3-4:30p

Teens and adults

Interested in college? Don't know where you want to go or where to start? Come join us for a discussion with representatives from the Oklahoma College Assistance Program and local schools on where to begin. Cosponsor: Oklahoma College Assistance Program.

Metro OKC Knit Guild Group Meeting

Sept 15 | 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

Sept 16 | Mon | 4-5p

Teens

Every third Monday of the month from 4-5pm., share and discuss your favorite Anime and Manga. Screen new Anime episodes!

*Anime may contain material that is considered unsuitable for ages 13 and younger.

Belle Isle Teen Crafts

Sept 19 | 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!

Hispanic Heritage Month: Ballet Flamenco Español Folklorico

Sept 22 | Sun | 4-5p

All ages

In celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month we present the Ballet Flamenco Español Folklorico dance company. The touring company is dedicated to the preservation of Spanish dance and their program includes representations of the five provinces of Spain, and all 33 States of Mexico with wooden shoes, castanets and swords. Included in the programming are historical explanations of the dance and costuming and its connections to American history. Cosponsors: Oklahoma Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Amazing Maisey: A Dogs Triumph Over Blindness

Sept 28 | Sat | 2-3p

All ages

Come hear Steve Webster share the story of his remarkable dog Maisey's triumph over blindness and see Maisey perform her special tricks.

College Prep: Scholarship Paths

Sept 28 | Sat | 3-4:30p

Teens and adults

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

Happy 50th Birthday, Belle Isle!

Sept 30 | Mon | 2-4p

All ages

It's a party! Come help the staff at Belle Isle Library celebrate her 50th birthday. Enjoy entertainment featuring Jill Justice on the harp. Then stroll down memory lane with the "Then and Now" video. Light refreshments available from 2 - 4 p.m.

Bethany Library

Fall Story & Craft Time

Sept 5 | 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.

Yu-Gi-Oh! Club

Sept 7 | Sat | 10-11:30a

Teens (Ages 12-18)

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

The Children's Hour Evening Story Time

Sept 10 | Tue | 6:30-7p

Ages 3-8

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

Mother Goose on the Loose

Sept 12,19,26 | Thur | 10-10:30a

Ages 6 to 36 months

You're invited to bring your baby or young child to a three week series of lap-sit programs using books, puppets, flannel board pieces, musical instruments, movement and more. Have fun while you encourage your child's development too! Please preregister at the library Information Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

Homemade Toys Workshop

Sept 14 | Sat | 2-3p

Ages 6-11 w/adult

Try your hand at making traditional toys from common place, inexpensive materials. We will make simple two-wheeled rubber band powered cars and tin can stilts! Adults should plan to attend with their children or grandchildren. Preregister at the library Information Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

Paper Roses for a Fall Wreath

Sept 21 | Sat | 2-3p

Adults

Back by popular demand, the making of paper roses class will feature fall wreaths. This free class will furnish wreaths and paper for the roses. Please bring your own scissors for this class. Refreshments will be served. Pre-enrollment is required. Limited space is available. Call 789-8363 ext.3.

Capitol Hill Library

See pages 19 & 26 for more Capitol Hill Library programs/events.

Capitol Hill Chess Club

Sept 3 | Tue | 4-5p

Kids/Teens

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

Bilingual Parent Skills Workshop

Advice for parents—helping your child succeed in school—and in life.

Consejos para padres—ayunando a su hijo a triunfar en la escuela—y en la vida.

Sept 3 | Tue | 7-8p

Adults

Behavior Health Community Advocate, Armando Prado, will present tips and answer parent questions about helping your children succeed in school. Learn how to teach study skills, how to talk to teachers and navigate school for success. This workshop can be taught in English or Spanish. Call 634-6308 to reserve your spot!

Safari After School Homework Help & Reading Practice

Sept 4,9,11,16,18,23,25,30 | Mon & Wed 4-6p

Grades K-9

Volunteers will be standing by to offer one-on-one homework and reading help. Need help with algebra, science, spelling or just need some reading practice? You will find it here! Sign up when you come in, and get ready to ace your classes this year! Sign in at the library to participate.

Mother Goose on the Loose: Babies & Tots
Sept 5,19 | 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.

Total Wellness in Spanish
Sept 5,12,19 | 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) 419-4203, Departamento de Salud del la Ciudad y del Condado de Oklahoma. ¡Le esperamos!

Total Wellness is a 12-week diabetes, heart disease, cancer, and asthma prevention program. Classes provide information and tools to help prevent the onset of chronic diseases. The program provides free screenings to participants. Cosponsor: OCCHD.

Intermediate Spanish
Sept 9,16,23 | 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: Move and Groove
Sept 10 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a
Preschool

Our story time is a fast paced, fun event adapted for short attention spans. Stories, songs and games are followed by a movement and action games, and healthy snack. This story time is the perfect way to introduce the library and all the fun and learning it offers to your little one. Please call 634-6308 for more information.

Beyblade Club
Sept 10 | Tue | 6-7p
Kids-Teens

Bring your Beyblades and let it rip!

Bilingual Story Time: English y Español
Sept 11 | 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: Paper Flowers and Awesome Airplanes
Sept 14 | 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!
Sept 17 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a
Ages 6 and younger with adult

Our story time is a fast paced, fun event adapted for short attention spans. Stories, songs and games are followed by parachute play and healthy snack. Parachute play is an excellent way to help children learn how to cooperative and follow directions. Please call 634-6308 for more information. Number of attendees determines which activity we choose.

Kids on the Hill Book Club
Sept 17 | Tue | 4-5:30p
Grades 2-5

Join us one Tuesday 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 younger than 10 must attend with an adult.

Capitol Hill Gamefest Blowout!
Sept 18 | Wed | 6:30-7:30p
Teens only-10 or older

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!

Science Kids Club
Sept 19 | 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.

Hispanic Heritage Month: Ballet Flamenco Español Folklorico
Sept 21 | Sat | 2-3p
All ages

In celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month we present the Ballet Flamenco Español Folklorico dance company. The touring company is dedicated to the preservation of Spanish dance and their program includes

representations of the five provinces of Spain, and all 33 States of Mexico with wooden shoes, castanets and swords. Included in the programming are historical explanations of the dance and costuming and its connections to American history. Cosponsors: Oklahoma Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Tell Me a Story: Play and Learn
Sept 24 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a
Ages 6 and younger with adult

Open play is an excellent way to help children learn social skills, and learn too 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
Sept 24 | Tue | 4-5p
Kids - teens

Come build something fun!

Choctaw Library

See pages 19 & 26 for more Choctaw Library programs/events.

Lapsit Storytime
Sept 3,10,17,24 | 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
Sept 3,10,17,24 | 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
Sept 5 | 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
Sept 5 | Thur | 3:30-5p
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.

METROPOLITAN LIBRARY SYSTEM PRESENTS:

Ballet Flamenco Español Folklorico Dance Company

*Join Us In Our Celebration of National
Hispanic Heritage Month*

Dedicated to the preservation
and presentation of Spanish
dance, the touring company
recognizes the five provinces
of Spain and all 33 states of
Mexico. Join us for brilliant
dance and costumes,
wooden shoes, castanets
and swords!

Northwest Library, 5600 NW 122nd
Saturday, Sept. 7 at 2pm

Southern Oaks Library, 6900 S. Walker
Sunday, Sept. 8 at 4pm

Midwest City Library, 8143 E. Reno
Saturday, Sept. 14 at 2pm

Downtown Library, 300 Park Ave.
Sunday, Sept. 15 at 4pm

Capitol Hill Library, 334 SW 26th
Saturday, Sept. 21 at 2pm

Belle Isle Library, 5501 N. Villa
Sunday, Sept. 22 at 4pm

Edmond Library, 10 S. Boulevard
Sunday, Sept. 29 at 4pm

Button Collage Art

Sept 12 | Thur | 6-7p

Teens

Learn how to make a piece of artwork out of old buttons. All supplies will be provided. Please sign-up at the Information Desk or by calling 390-8418.

Open Play Time

Sept 14 | 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.

DAR Constitution Week Celebration

Sept 17 | Tue | 6-7p

Adults

Pamela Woodard Tarling, Regent with Ebenezer Fletcher Chapter-Midwest City Oklahoma National Society Daughters of the American Revolution will spearhead this program in celebration of Constitution Week. There will be a mini-session focusing on Genealogy and the DAR. Cosponsor: Ebenezer Fletcher Chapter-DAR.

AARP Defensive Driver Safety Course

Sept 21 | Sat | 9:30a-3:30p

Age 16 and older

Attention all licensed drivers! Thomas Edwards, District Coordinator with AARP Driver Safety Program will lead this course to update your skills and knowledge for safer driving. A Certificate of Completion of this course will provide an auto insurance discount lasting three years. AARP members: \$12; all others: \$14. Cash or check payable to AARP is required the day of the course. Snacks and beverages will be provided. Preregistration required; Cosponsor: AARP & EOC Tech. Coponsor: AARP & EOC Tech.

Ookami Anime Club

Sept 21,28 | Sat | 2:30-4p

Teens

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

LEGO Club

Sept 25 | Wed | 4-5:30p

All ages

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

Teen Movie Night

Sept 26 | Thur | 6-8p

Ages 13-18

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

Del City Library

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

Mother Goose on the Loose

Sept 3,10,17,24 | 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

Sept 3 | 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.

Hooked on Yarn

Sept 4,11,18,25 | 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

Sept 5,9,12,16,19,23,26,30

Mon & Thur | 4-6p

K-12th grades

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

Inter-generational Chess Club

Sept 6 | 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.

Teen Reads Book Club

Sept 10 | 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 *Between Shades of Gray* by Ruta Sepetys. Reserve a copy or stop by the Information Desk to pick up a copy of the book.

DIY Nail Art

Sept 13 | Fri | 4-5p

Age 13 and older

Polka dots, paw prints and even newspaper print! Learn how to create art using your nails as a canvas. Supplies are provided. Please call or sign up at the Information Desk.

LEGO Club

Sept 16 | Mon | 4:30-5:30p

All ages

Love Legos? Come build with us! On the third Monday of every month we will host the DC Library Lego Club. Bricks provided. Children under 8 should be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Movie Matinee

Sept 19 | Thur | 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

Sept 20 | 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.



Downtown Library

See page 19 for more Downtown Library programs/events.

Computer Basics

Sept 3,10,17,24 | 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

Sept 4,11,18,25 | 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

Sept 5,19 | 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

Sept 5,12,19,26 | Thur | Noon-1p
All ages

Performing in September are:

- Sept 6: Sam Kahre, Clasical Cello
- Sept 12: Dennis Borycki, Jazz piano
- Sept 19: Metro String Quartet
- Sept 26: Steelwind: Bluegrass Duo

Urban Sprouts - Wild Card

Sept 12 | 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 Thursday of each month.

Hispanic Heritage Month: Ballet Flamenco Español Folklorico

Sept 15 | Sun | 4-5p
All ages

In celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month we present the Ballet Flamenco Español Folklorico dance company. The touring company is dedicated to the preservation of Spanish dance and their program includes representations of the five provinces of Spain, and all 33 States of Mexico with wooden shoes, castanets and swords. Included in the programming are historical explanations of the dance

and costuming and its connections to American history. Cosponsors: Oklahoma Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Music Play With Miss Ginger

Sept 26 | Thur | 10-10:45a
Ages 1-5 w/parent

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

Genealogy 101

Sept 28 | Sat | 2-4p
All ages

Interested in researching your family history? Join us to learn the basics of genealogy and see an overview of genealogy databases.

Edmond Library

See pages 19, 25 & 26 for more Edmond Library programs/events.

Lapsit Story Time

Sept 3,10,17,24 | 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).

Baby Bounce

Sept 4,11,18,25 | 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).

55+ Coffee Break

Sept 4,11,18,25 | 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

Sept 4,11,18,25 | 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

Sept 4-27 | 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

Manga & Anime Club

Sept 5 | 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.

Pajametime

Sept 5,12,19,26 | 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 7 | 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.

Advanced Farsi

Sept 8,15,22,29 | Sun | 1:30-2:30p
Adults and teens

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

Beginning Farsi

Sept 8,15,22,29 | Sun | 2:30-3:30p
Adults and teens

For those who have no prior experience speaking or writing Farsi. Supply charge is \$30 per

month, payable to the instructor. All written materials are provided by the instructor.

Young Professionals Book Club

Sept 8 | Sun | 3-4:30p

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 *Never Let Me Go* by Kazuo Ishiguro. Contact the Information Desk at 341-9282 to reserve a copy of the book!

Preschool Story Time

Sept 9,16,23,30 | Mon | 10-10:30a

and 11-11:30a

Ages 3-5

Join Miss Kari for story time! There will be special stories, fun fingerplays, silly songs, hidden objects, occasional crafts, and exciting activities. Come be part of the fun!

In Stitches: Edmond Library Needlecraft

Sept 10 | 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 September please bring your own project, as there will be no new craft taught. Call Donna Hodges at 348-4120 for more information.

GED Orientation

Sept 12 | 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.

Readers' Choice Book Club

Sept 14 | 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 September is *Unbroken: A World War II Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption*, by Laura Hillenbrand.

Edmond Library Book Bunch

Sept 14 | Sat | 2-3:30p

Adults

The Book Bunch meets monthly to discuss popular new books. The selection for September

is *Lots of Candles, Plenty of Cake* a memoir by Anna Quindlen. Contact the library to reserve your copy today.

Yu-Gi-Oh Tournament

Sept 14 | 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.

College Planning Workshop for Middle Schoolers

Sept 17 | Tue | 7-8:30p

Middle School students

If you're in middle school and considering whether to attend college someday, this workshop is for you. Join us to explore your interests and potential career paths, and learn about how you can plan, prepare, and pay for success in high school and beyond. Presented by the Oklahoma College Assistance Program. Register by calling 341-9282 or e-mailing mhuntwilson@metrolibrary.org. Cosponsor: Oklahoma College Assistance Program.

Music With Miss Joy

Sept 20 | 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

Sept 20 | 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

Sept 20 | Fri | 4-5:30p

Teens

Hey teens! Come and read your original writing or perform acoustic music at the Edmond Library's teen coffee house. (Or feel free to just come and listen!) We'll have coffee, lemonade, and snacks. Call 341-9282 or e-mail mhuntwilson@metrolibrary.org to sign up.

eMedia Workshops

Sept 21 | Sat | 2-4:15p

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.

History Book Club

Sept 24 | Tue | 6:30-8:30p

Adults

The Edmond History Book Club is held every other month, September through 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 the history of London based on the book *Shakespeare's Pub: A Barstool History of London as Seen Through the Windows of Its Oldest Pub - The George Inn* by Pete Brown. Contact the library to reserve a copy. Cosponsor: University of Central Oklahoma.

College Planning Workshop for High Schoolers

Sept 24 | Tue | 7-8:30p

High School students

High Schoolers! Want to get a kick-start on the college application process? Join us for a workshop with the Oklahoma College Assistance Program to learn about selecting, applying to, and paying for college. Register by calling 341-9282 or e-mailing mhuntwilson@metrolibrary.org. Cosponsor: Oklahoma College Assistance Program.

Book Club Kids

Sept 28 | 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 preregister.

Hispanic Heritage Month: Ballet Flamenco Español Folklórico

Sept 29 | Sat | 4-5p

All ages

In celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month we present the Ballet Flamenco Español Folklórico dance company. The touring company is dedicated to the preservation of Spanish dance and their program includes representations of the five provinces of Spain, and all 33 States of Mexico with wooden shoes, castanets and swords. Included in the programming are historical explanations of the dance and costuming and its connections to American history. Cosponsors: Oklahoma Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.

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	Mondays, 7-8pm
Belle Isle Library	Mondays, 6-7pm
Capitol Hill Library	Saturday, Sept 14, 1-2pm
Capitol Hill Library	Tuesday, Sept 25, 6-7pm
Choctaw Library	Saturday, Sept 14, 3-4pm <i>Register at the Information Desk or call 390-8418</i>
Choctaw Library	Wednesday, Sept 18, 4-5p
Del City Library	Thursday, Sept 12, 26, 6:30-7:30pm <i>Register at the Information Desk or call 672-1377</i>
Downtown Library	Saturday, Sept 21, 3-4pm

Edmond Library	Tuesday, Sept 3, 17, 6:30-7:30pm
Midwest City Library	Tuesdays, Sept 10, 24, 7-7:30pm <i>Register at the Information Desk or call 732-4828</i>
Nicoma Park Library	Thursday, Sept 5, 4-4:45pm <i>Register at the Information Desk or call 769-9452</i>
Northwest Library	Mondays, 6-7pm
The Village Library	Wednesdays, 6-7pm
The Village Library	Thursdays, 3:30-4:30pm
Warr Acre Library	Thursday, Sept 5, 6:30-7:30pm

Luther Library

Quilting at the Library

**Sept 16 | 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 19,25 & 26 for more Midwest City Library programs/events.

Knit Wit

**Sept 3 | 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

**Sept 3 | 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 *A Curious Man: The Strange and Brilliant Life of Robert "Believe It or Not!" Ripley* by Neal Thompson. Please visit the Information Desk to receive your copy.

Pajama Story Night

**Sept 3 | 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

**Sept 4 | Wed | 5-6p
Teens**

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

Mad Scientist Lab

**Sept 5,12 | Thur | 4:30-5:15p
Sept 7 | 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. Parents are encouraged to stay and participate. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign-up.

Exhibit: City Arts Center Student Weaving

**Sept 6-29 | Library Hours
All ages**
Be inspired and amazed by the City Arts Center Student Weaving Exhibit. Viewers can just enjoy the creativity of the process, or get some fresh ideas! On display from September 6 to September 29 in the lobby gallery.

Computer Tutoring

**Sept 7,14,21,28 | Sat | 9a-Noon
Sept 9,16,23,30 | Mon | 9a-8:30p
All ages**

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

Natural Hair

**Sept 7 | 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.

Soldier Creek Quilting Group

**Sept 9,16,23,30 | 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

**Sept 9 | 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.

Bey Blade Tournament

**Sept 11 | 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

**Sept 14 | Sat | 10-11a
Ages 12 and older**

The Midwest City Library offers chess players the opportunity to play every second Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m. For more information, please contact the Information Desk or call 732-4828.

Around the World in 80 Films

**Sept 14 | 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.

Hispanic Heritage Month: Ballet Flamenco Español Folklorico

**Sept 14 | Sat | 2-3p
All ages**

In celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month we present the Ballet Flamenco Español Folklorico dance company. The touring company is dedicated to the preservation of Spanish dance and their program includes representations of the five provinces of Spain, and all 33 States of Mexico with wooden shoes, castanets and swords. Included in the programming are historical explanations of the dance and costuming and its connections to American history. Cosponsors: Oklahoma Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Preschool Storytime

**Sept 16,30 | Mon | 10-10:30a
Ages birth-5 w/parent**

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

Midwest City Readers' Society Book Club

**Sept 17 | 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 September is *Their Eyes Were Watching God*, by Zora Neale Hurston. Call or visit the Information Desk to reserve your copy.

Family Craft Night

Sept 17 | 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.

Yu-gi-oh Gaming

Sept 18 | Wed | 4-5:30p

Teens

Come and get your Yu-gi-oh game on every third Wednesday of the month. This program is for the experienced Yu-gi-oh-er. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 732-4828.

Oklahoma City Weavers Guild

Demonstration

Sept 21 | Sat | 10:30a-1:30p

Adults

The inspiring artistry and techniques of weaving will be demonstrated by the Oklahoma City Weavers Guild. This annual event coincides with a month-long exhibition by the City Arts Center Student Weavers from September 3 to September 30 in the Midwest City Library Gallery.

Toddler Aerobics

Sept 23 | 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.

eBooks 101

Sept 25 | 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

Sept 25 | Wed | 6-8p

Teens

September Teen movie is about Michael Oher. he is a homeless African-American teenager who is from a broken home. Mike is taken in by the Tuohys, a well-to-do white family who help him fulfill his potential. At the same time, Oher's presence in the Tuohys' lives leads them to some insightful self-discoveries of their own. No registration required to attend.

Medieval Marshmallow Launchers

Sept 28 | Sat | 11a

Teens

Medieval Marshmallow Launchers
Hey Teens! Test your engineering skills by building a marshmallow mini-catapult! You will be challenged on accuracy and distance to determine if you would be successful storming the castle! Materials supplied by the library. Call 732-4828 to register.

Banned Books Week Read-Out

Sept 28 | Sat | 2-4p

All ages

The Midwest City Library will host a Read-Out during Banned Books Week. The purpose of a Read-Out is to create a greater awareness of the importance of reading. Several local officials and educators will read portions of their favorite banned or challenged books. This program is free and open to the public.

Nicoma Park Library

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

Lady Crafters

Sept 17 | 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 19,25 & 26 for more Northwest Library programs/events.

Early Childhood Programs for Ages 3-5

Sept 3,10,17,24 | 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.

September:

9/3 Play with Me

9/10 Story Time

9/17 Wiggles and Giggles

9/24 Music Play

Early Childhood Programs for Ages 0-2

Sept 3,10,17,24 | 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.

September:

9/3 Play with Me

9/10 Story Time

9/17 Wiggles and Giggles

9/24 Music Play

Early Childhood Programs for Ages 0-2

Sept 3,10,17,24 | Tue | 1:45-2:15p

Birth to age 2

Bring your child to enjoy Mother Goose on the Loose. Please call to register at 606-3580 as space is limited.

September:

9/3 Mother Goose on the Loose

9/10 Mother Goose on the Loose

9/17 Mother Goose on the Loose

9/24 Music Play

Homework Help

Sept 4,11,18,25 | 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.

Hispanic Heritage Month: Ballet Flamenco

Español Folklorico

Sept 7 | Sat | 2-3p

All ages

In celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month we present the Ballet Flamenco Español Folklorico dance company. The touring company is dedicated to the preservation of Spanish dance and their program includes representations of the five provinces of Spain, and all 33 States of Mexico with wooden shoes, castanets and swords. Included in the programming are historical explanations of the dance and costuming and its connections to American history. Cosponsors: Oklahoma Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Budding Bookworms Children's Book Club

Sept 9 | 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, *The Adventures of the South Pole Pig* by Chris Kurtz. Reserve your copy today!

Chess Club

Sept 12,26 | 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

Sept 13 | 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 *Daughters-in-Law* by Joanna Trollope. Reserve your copy today! Discussion guides available at the library.

Wayne McEvilly: Great Musical

Masterworks for Everyone

Sept 14 | Sat | 2-3p

All ages

Wayne McEvilly is a talented pianist who will delight your senses with live performances of masterworks from various musical time periods. Come enjoy the melodies and learn a little about music history as well! Concert is free and open to the public.

Journal Junkies

Sept 19 | Thur | 4-5:30p

Teens

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

Ralph Ellison Library

See page 26 for more Ralph Ellison Library programs/events.

Art Gallery

Sept 3-30 | 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.

Eastside Chess Club

Sept 6,13,20,27 | Fri | 4-5p

Age 10 and older

Enjoy a friendly game of chess? Players of all ages and skill levels are welcome. We meet at 4p.

Couponing 101

Sept 9 | Mon | 6-8p

Adults

Cut your grocery bill in half and learn how to get the most out of coupons wherever you go. Let Oklahoma's own Consumer Queen show you how to get the biggest return for your shopping dollar. One canned food item, to be donated to the OK Food Bank, required for admission. Cosponsor: Consumer Queen.

Salsa Dancing for Beginners

Sept 10,17,24 | Tue | 6-7p

All ages

Get in shape and learn some dance moves too.

Children's Cinema

Sept 12 | Thur | 5:30-7:30p

Ages 5 and older

It's movie time! We'll be screening a family-friendly feature film based on children's literature. Bring a blanket and stuffed animal to cuddle up with, and we'll provide the popcorn and lemonade!

Metropolitan Library Commission of Oklahoma County

Sept 19 | Thur | 3:30-5p

Ralph Ellison Library

2000 NE 23rd

Oklahoma City, OK 73111

405.424.1437

Black History Documentary Club

Sept 14 | Sat | 1-3p

Age 13 and older

The Black History Documentary Club meets monthly to screen thought-provoking films. September's selection is *500 Years Later*, "a timeless compelling journey, infused with the spirit and music of liberation that chronicles the struggle of a people who have fought and continue to fight for the most essential human right - freedom."

Read, Share, Grow Book Club

Sept 16 | Mon | 6:30-7:30p

Adults

This month we'll be reading George Orwell's dystopian classic, *1984*. Come by the Information Desk to pick up your copy.

Recovering After Tragedy

Sept 19 | Thur | 6:30-8p

Adults

Have you ever experienced a tragedy? Do you feel engulfed by deep depression or grief due to a loss? Kirsten Lee, author of *The Widow's Guide But Not For Widows Only*, will share how she recovered from the tragic death of her husband Dr. Rudell Lee.

Jazz on the Lawn

Sept 23 | Mon | 6-8p

All ages

Join us for a night of live jazz music on the lawn outside the library! Enjoy outdoor games and light refreshments. We 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.

Play Doh Play

Sept 26 | Thur | 6-7p

Ages 2 and older

Get ready to squish, pull, and roll Play-Doh! Let your creative juices flow with the modeling compound that has entertained and inspired kids of all ages for more than 50 years. Families will learn more about the history and benefits of this popular "toy" and pick up recipes for making their very own homemade play dough.

SOUP Open Mic Poetry Night

Sept 30 | Mon | 6:30-8p

All ages

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

Southern Oaks Library

See pages 25 & 26 for more Southern Oaks Library programs/events.

11th Annual Library Fest

Sept 3-30 | Library Hours

All ages

September is National Library Card sign-up month and Southern Oaks library is celebrating its 11th annual Library Fest. Visit the library in September to enter our drawing for great prizes. A library card connects people of all ages to the world of ideas and information. It's also the perfect time to encourage school children to get a library card and to remind parents and teachers that going back to school includes using the library.

Adult Education and Literacy Classes

Sept 4,9,11,16,18,23,25,30 | 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.

September 2013

Thursday Noon Tunes

Downtown Library Atrium every Thursday from Noon to 1pm

September 5: Sam Kahre: young cellist, classical plus

September 12: Dennis Borycki: piano improv, classical-jazz

September 19: Metro String Quartet

September 26: Steelwind: Bluegrass duo

All performances are free and open to the public.



Downtown Library

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

www.metrolibrary.org

Friday-Films, Family and Fun

Sept 6,13,20,27 | Fri | 9-6p

All ages

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

Pinkalicious Party

Sept 7 | Sat | 2:30a-3:30p

Children of all ages

Calling all Pinkerbelles and Pinkerellas! If you love the color pink than you'll love our Pinkalicious party inspired by Victoria and Elizabeth Kann's book, *Pinkalicious*. Come enjoy the pink festivities- crafts, food, and games! Children are encouraged to wear as much pink as possible. Please sign up by calling 631-4468.

Hispanic Heritage Month: Ballet Flamenco Español Folklorico

Sept 8 | Sun | 4-5p

All ages

In celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month we present the Ballet Flamenco Español Folklorico dance company. The touring company is dedicated to the preservation of Spanish dance and their program includes representations of the five provinces of Spain, and all 33 States of Mexico with wooden shoes, castanets and swords. Included in the programming are historical explanations of

the dance and costuming and its connections to American history. Cosponsors: Oklahoma Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Preschool Storytime

Sept 9,16,23 | 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. Preregistration is required. Please sign up by calling 631-4468 or by visiting the Information Desk.

Southern Oaks Book Club

Sept 10 | 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

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

All ages

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. Preregistration is required. Sign up by calling 631-4468 or by visiting the Information Desk.

Talk Like a Pirate Day Celebration

Sept 19 | Thur | 6:30-8p

Kids and Teens

It's international talk like a pirate day! Come celebrate with a real swashbuckling adventure. We will have a pirate costume contest, crafts, games and more. It's time to party, Matey!!

The Village Library

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

Windows 8 for Adults

Sept 4,11,18,25 | 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 to make an appointment for your instruction time. Village Library 755-0710.

Music With Ginger

Sept 5 | Thur | 10-10:30a

Ages 3-5

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 August 15.

Gamefest

Sept 5 | Thur | 7-8:30p

Teens

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

Chess Club

Sept 6,13,20,27 | 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.

Introduction to Excel 2007/2010

Sept 9,16,23,30 | Mon | 6:30-8:30p

Adults

Free computer instruction for adults evenings and Saturdays. Learn to use Microsoft Excel to create spreadsheets, apply formulas, manage customer records and inventory, design time sheets, manage budgets and more. Come in or call to sign-up. Village Library 755-0710.

V-SIFT: Teen Iron Chef

Sept 12 | 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 it's Teen Iron Chef: After School Snack Edition. Teens will have limited time and ingredients to create culinary masterpieces! Please register by calling 755-0710 or stopping by the Information Desk.

Knitty Committee

Sept 14 | 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.

Book Discussion Group

Sept 16 | 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.

Introduction to Word 2007/2010

Sept 19 | Thur | 6:30-8p

Adults

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

Warr Acres Library

See pages 19,25 & 26 for more Warr Acres Library programs/events.

Warr Acres Book Club

Sept 9 | Mon | 11a-Noon

Adults

Harold Fry, retired from his job at the brewery, receives a letter from a co-worker who is dying from cancer. He embarks on a journey over hundreds of miles and many months to say goodbye. On his journey, he learns more about the meaning of life. Please join us to discuss *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry* by Rachel Joyce. Call 721-2616 for more information.

Music Play for Preschoolers

Sept 10 | Tue | 10:30-11a

Ages 2 ½ - 5 yrs w/parent

Join us for a fun learning time in our meeting room for children age 2 1/2 to 5 years. Please preregister.

Pajama Storytime

Sept 10 | Tue | 7-8p

Ages 3 - 5 yrs

Bring your preschooler for snacks and stories with Miss Alma and her puppets. Siblings are welcome and children may wear their pajamas. Call to sign up.

Playtime for Babies and Tots

Sept 11,18,25 | Wed | 9:15-10a and

10:30-11:15a

Age 8 to 30 months w/parent

Chose one of two sessions: 9:15am or 10:30am. 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.

AARP Driver Safety Class

Sept 14 | Sat | 9:30a-3:30p

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 non-members.

Beginning Genealogy

Sept 17 | Tue | 6-8p

Adults

Designed for beginning genealogists, this class will include a discussion of how to use the Internet as a genealogy research tool. Research resources at the library will also be discussed.

Gamenight

Sept 19 | Thur | 6:30-8p

Ages 12-17

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

Gamefest

Sept 21 | Sat | 2-3:30p

Ages 8-11

Middle graders join the party! Saturday is just for you. Play games like Mario Kart and more. Snacks will be served. Please call to preregister.

Critter Tales for Preschoolers

Sept 24 | Tue | 10:30-11a

Ages 3 - 5 yrs

Jennifer Shore, director of Critter Tales, Inc, will bring stories and animals for preschoolers to enjoy and learn. Because children love animals and giving gifts, please ask at the Information Desk for a list of donations that can be accepted by the Critter Tales, Inc., and bring items to this event.

Critter Tales for You and Your Child

Sept 28 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a

All Ages

Jennifer Shore, director of Critter Tales, Inc, will bring live animals and instruction about the animals and their habitats. Because children love animals and giving gifts, please ask at the Info Desk for a list of donations that can be accepted by the Critter Tales, Inc., and bring items to this event.

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

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

Teens and older

For questions and to register, come to the class.

Cosponsor: OKC Public Schools

Edmond Library

Intermediate ESL

Mondays & Wednesdays | 1:30-4:30p

Sept 4,9,11,16,18,23,25,30

Adults

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

Beginning ESL

Mondays & Wednesdays | 6-8:30p

Sept 4,9,11,16,18,23,25,30

Adults

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

Midwest City Library

Tue & Thur | 6-8:30p

Sept 3,5,10,12,17,19,24,26

Adults

Register by calling 682-7873. Cosponsor: OCCC

Warr Acres Library

Mondays & Wednesdays | 6-8:30p

Sept 4,9,11,16,18,23,25,30

Call 686-6222 to register. Cosponsor: OCCC

GED

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

Edmond Library

Tue & Thur | 6-8:30p

Sept 3,5,10,12,17,19,24,26 |

Adults

Register by calling 682-7873. Cosponsor: OCCC

Midwest City Library

Mondays & Wednesdays | 6-8:30p

Sept 4,9,11,16,18,23,25,30

Adults

Register by calling 682-6222. Cosponsor: OCCC

Northwest Library

Tue & Thur | 6:30-9p

Sept 3,5,10,12,17,19,24,26

Adults

Call 682-7873 for more information and to enroll.

Cosponsor: OCCC Adult Learning Center

Southern Oaks Library

Mondays & Wednesdays | 6-8:30p

Sept 4,9,11,16,18,23,25,30

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
Sept 25 | Wed | 1-5p
Birth to age 5 w/parent

Midwest City Library

Child Guidance Screenings
Sept 18 | Wed | 1-5p
Birth to age 5 w/parent

Northwest Library

Child Guidance Screenings
Sept 19 | Thur | 9a-Noon
Birth to age 5 w/parent

Village Library

Child Guidance Screenings
Sept 11 | Wed | 1-5p
Birth to age 5 w/parent

Warr Acres Library

Child Guidance Screenings
Sept 27 | Fri | 9a-Noon
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 dance-like exercise that can be performed almost anywhere.

Northwest Library

Tai Chi
Sept 5,9,12,16,19,23,26,30 | Mon & Thur
4-5p
Adults

Southern Oaks Library

Tai Chi
Sept 6,13,20,27 | Fri | 1:30-3p
Adults
Please call to enroll, 631-4468

Yoga For Your Health

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. Shauna Leonard of Edmond, OK will lead these sessions. Classes are free and space is limited.

Choctaw Library

Yoga
Sept 11,18,25 | Wed | 6:15-7:15p
Adults

Wellness

Capitol Hill Library

Total Wellness in Spanish
Sept 5,12,19 | 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
Sept 30 | 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
Sept 3,10,17,24 | 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. Please note that the last opportunity to sign up for the class is May 21, 2013. 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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1 MLS Libraries Closed Sunday and Monday for Labor Day	2	3	4	5	6	7
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Off the Beaten Path

. . . Discovering New Literary Treasures

Contemporary young adults seem to be in love with dystopian fiction (see our review of *The Testing* in this issue), but the fear of a possibly miserable future goes way back in American literature. Here are two examples of dystopian novels by writers you probably don't associate with the genre.

Lewis, Sinclair. *It Can't Happen Here*.
FICTION/LEW

In 1935, the Nobel Prize winning author of *Main Street* and *Elmer Gantry* published this novel about the rise and ultimate presidency of a home-grown Fascist tyrant. The title comes from what so many people were saying about the rise of Mussolini and Hitler.

London, Jack. *The Iron Heel*.
SCIENCE/FICTION/LON

More commonly associated with books like *The Call of the Wild*, London's dystopia is brought about by the ironclad reign of a tyrannical ruling class in the United States. The book shows what might happen if bottom-line capitalism without a conscience decimated the middle class. Published in 1908, this one is eerily farsighted.

MLS LIBRARIES

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1 ALMONTE	2914 SW 59, OKC, 606-3575	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
2 BELLE ISLE	5501 N. Villa, OKC, 843-9601	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
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
6 DEL CITY	4509 SE 15th, Del City, 672-1377	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
7 DOWNTOWN	300 Park Ave., OKC, 231-8650	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
8 EDMOND	10 S. Boulevard, Edmond, 341-9282	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
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

MLS EXTENSION LIBRARIES*

		M	T	W	TH	F	S	S
15 HARRAH	1930 N. Church Avenue, Harrah, 454-2001	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9-5	9-5	—
16 JONES	111 E. Main, Jones, 399-5471	—	9:30-5:30	—	9:30-5:30	—	9-5	—
17 LUTHER	310 NE 3rd, Luther, 277-9967	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9-5	9-5	—
18 NICOMA PARK	2240 Overholser, Nicoma Park, 769-9452	—	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9-5	9-5	—
19 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.

