

FACEBOOK FANS COMMENTS ON THE QUESTION:

WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE MEMORY OF THE LIBRARY?

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Robin	Riding my bike to the library at least once a week during the summer as a child.
Kari	Covering Elmo visiting the Edmond Library for The Edmond Sun. :)
Sheila	That a library is the tallest building in the world...it has many stories.
Pamela	My mom taking me once a week during summer break.
Anita	Walking in the door and seeing ALL THOSE BOOKS!
Sallie	The summer reading program waaay back in the 80's when you partnered with Dairy Queen!!
RayandCasey	Reading on the floor in the library while being surrounded by so much adventure and information.
Tracy	In middle school I would walk to the library after school and spend an hour or so there until my mom picked me up. I can't tell you how many times she had to drag me out of there. I'm the same way as an adult. Love the smell. The books. The employees. The people who visit.
Kutz	My first trip to the library, about 3 rd grade class – all those wonderful books – the smell – the quiet – and knowing I could read every one of them if I really wanted to – – and I did.
Amy	The Lucky Penny Players!
Christina	The ones I'm making now with my two little boys, Ms. Carol at the Choctaw library is the very best!
Jane	Walking barefoot in the summer with all my siblings to the mobile library at NW 16 th and Indiana in OKC. It's now the Plaza District.
Lori	Playing Dewey Decimal System bingo in elementary school :)
Sarah	When I was a child I loved reading in the loft in my elementary school library.
Kristi	My mom taking me and never believing I would read the amount of books I wanted to check out. I still have and use my original card from back then, my mom's signature on it and all.
Kim	Riding my bike in the summer desert heat of my small hometown to our library several times a week. I remember the anticipation of opening the door into the cool library, getting a drink of ice cold water from the fountain, and being in my own little book-filled world for an hour or two. Then I would walk next door to the town museum to visit my Grandma, who was the curator. Sweet memories.
Diane	In the summer Mom would take me and my 3 brothers to the library and leave us there for a few hours. We would pick out the maximum number of books each and read each other's books when we got home. I loved it! Now, I realize Mom took us to the library just to have some quiet time! But all four of us have reading or writing as a major part of our jobs. Thank you Mom!

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Kara	The summer reading program when the rewards were Dairy Queen dip cones!
April	Checking the American Girl books as a child. Not sure that there were dolls then. I also love the smell of books, so...
Donna	My first library card. I was overwhelmed by the many books read to read! Nancy Drew, Little Women, and then Anne McCaffrey's books. Still discovering new stories. Now I can borrow them on my Kindle!
Alycia	When I was in 5 th grade I got my first library card, my mom dropped me off and when she picked me up I had a stack of books. I actually met the checkout limit and I read every one of them in a weeks time and went back for more. I eventually realized that I didn't have to check out 30 books at a time, that 1 or 2 was just fine and I could always go back and get more.
Aimee	Summer reading program at the old Village library! Still have my card from the summer 1971.
Jonathan	Having grown up in a small town, I didn't have summer camps or summer vacations, so my summers were filled with several trips to the library. It was in walking distance and I loved having daily access to all those books for free!!!
Kelli	When I was in elementary school, my Mom worked retail & one night a week she would have to work until closing. That was the night we would go to the library& I would get my limit of 12 books a week.
Carl	Saturday morning kids classes. I did one as a kid that we made a book of different leaves we'd found around the Edmond Library. Fun!
Joey	That time the librarian, fully understanding the implications of a reluctant reader being unable to find the one book they WANT to read, figured out how to find said book and got it for us on interlibrary loan. It was really magical.
Linda	All of them.
Barbara	Reading all of the OZ books over my summer break.
Sarah	Classes downtown...babysitting, story reading, plays...also Village Library Sundays...the smell of books and sitting around reading for a couple hours away from all the outside life :)
Mandy	So many to choose from. Almost getting published after one of the downtown classes (I didn't pursue it). My first library card when I felt like the world was finally within my reach. My first taste of freedom in middle school when I walked from the school to the library daily to wait on my mom to get off work because we didn't live in the district so I couldn't ride the bus. Probably the absolute best is waiting in line every February at the book sale. I got up there at 6:30 once to be first in line. We were there before workers even were.
Karen	The bookmobiles when I as a kid – I went to the one at the Windsor Hill Shopping Center...it was so fun.
Glenda	All those lovely books.
Emily	Getting my library card in first grade. Having fun isn't hard when you've got a library card.

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Alonso	I was 14 and wanted to learn to play guitar. We couldn't afford lessons so I went to the library and checked out any books I could to teach myself. I've been playing ever since and have had the great pleasure in playing lead guitar in a rock band for the last 12 years.
Sheba	Books
Shauna	Summer reading program at Southern Oaks, stocking up on as many Choose Your Own Adventure books and Sweet Valley High books as I could, and getting Dairy Queen rewards.
Christa	Music with Ms. Susan and Lapsit with Ms. Amy
Cynthia	My very first trip to the library some 50 odd years ago. What a wonderful impression it made on me.
Elizabeth	Always went to the library with my mom...and she volunteered in a tiny little library when she retired...when she died at 89 and I flew back home to Oklahoma...had a rough day and the librarians let me go into an used room with a book so I could feel close to my mom... no place says love like the library!
Sandi	I remember My mother taking me to Capitol Hill Library right after I learned to read, around 1960. I loved the smell of the place and seeing all those wonderful books. I got a Library Card and a ticket to every world inside those pages.
Karl	Before the online days, the librarians would see me coming to the door and have my books waiting on the counter. Back then, I was one of a few who would fill out multiple book requests at a time. Spent a lot of searching through the card catalog.
Shelley	I loved the quiet of the library and all those books. Spent many a summer in my youth at the downtown OKC library as well as the library in my grandparents town!
Kel	...discovering the wide world while sitting in a beanbag chair at Southern Oaks library's temporary location at Southern Hills in the late '60's.
Jan	Going to the Downtown OKC library (the old location) with my Dad
Patricia	Going in the summer time as a little girl and sitting with story time...Library at 74 th & Penn
Beverly	Going to the library with my baby in a little carrier. She's 38 now, and she takes herself and her own library regularly.