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April in Oklahoma is the month of, hallelujah, warming temperatures, but everywhere it is the month of April Foolery. I remember how shocked some Texans were in the early 1960s when a Houston newspaper ran a photo of the collapsed San Jacinto Monument—until they saw the date on that issue of the paper.

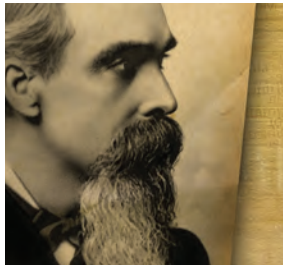
Perhaps the most successful mass hoax of the citizenry came in 1957 when the BBC in England ran a TV news report about a bumper crop of spaghetti grown on spaghetti trees in Italy due to the eradication of the dreaded spaghetti weevil. Mama mia!

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Best selling author Harlan Coben



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THE FIRST MAYOR(S)

by Larry Johnson

When Congress opened the Unassigned Lands to settlement in 1889, it neglected to provide a government for the thousands of people who settled here. Oklahoma City's first residents quickly made an attempt at self-rule by electing a mayor and city council and they tried to maintain order among the assemblage of shacks and scrap lumber hovels.

D.W. Gibbs

As admirable as that is, this fragile peace was not strong enough to withstand the sometimes violent conflict between “sooners,” who were there illegally, and the “lot jumpers” who tried to remove them from their property claims. Things finally got so bad by December of 1889, the U. S. Marshal placed the city under martial law and declared the city government invalid.

Oklahoma City had already had two mayors by that point and we generally regard William L. Couch as the first mayor. However, the two men pictured here also figure into that claim. After Congress created Oklahoma Territory in May, 1890,

the authorities created a five man council to create a city on paper, devise a rudimentary structure and write some initial ordinances to pave the way for elections and subsequent municipal government. The chair of that council was David W. Gibbs (he of the furry facial festoon), a Massachusetts architect late of Ohio and one will occasionally read an account from an 89er that suggests that some of our ancestors regarded him as our first official mayor. It was a strong enough feeling that his portrait was placed in the hall of mayors, so we have to respect that.

However, it seems that the best claim to the title of first official mayor goes to William J. Gault (looks just like my cousin, by the way). Gault was an 89er; a lumberman from Missouri who made, as one might expect, a killing from selling building materials those first months. He also had made a homestead on what became a prime piece of land

called The Gault 80, which was the first piece of land you would come to if you wanted to expand the city to the north. Besides establishing the city government, Gault’s main achievement was persuading the east-west railroad later known as the Rock Island Line to build through the city. As the city had no money to – er, convince – the



The Rock Island Railroad

rail barons to build here, Gault and Henry Overholser came up with a scheme whereby they got citizens to buy scrip (think Monopoly money) which the city would pay back later. Sales were a little slow at first, but when Gault jacked up the price of a saloon license in town and offered a 25% discount to licensees

who paid in scrip, sales picked up and before long puffs of steam and the blare of train whistles greeted the senses of Oklahoma Cityans.

Gault served two terms as mayor before he became a developer and built a number of homes in the city’s first additions. A developer dictating municipal policy in Oklahoma City – who’d a thunk it?

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

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When You Reach Me

by Rebecca Stead

reviewed by Jana Hausburg

"Common sense is just a name for the way we're used to thinking."

Why is time travel so fascinating? My children like to talk about the possibility of time travel and we've had many interesting discussions about what might happen if we had the chance. For example: If you could go back and kill baby Hitler, would you do it?

If I delve too deeply into the plot of the book, it might rob you of the chance to discover it for yourself. But here are a few details: The heroine is a sixth grader named Miranda. Her life has been turned upside down by a seemingly random event that estranges her from her best friend, Sal. A

homeless man shows up on her street, whispering crazy phrases. And the notes start appearing, notes that warn her to tell no one about them, notes that mention things that haven't even happened yet.

Written for ages 11-14, Stead's book is funny and deep and perfect to read aloud with your child. It earned an ALA Best Book for Young Adults and was awarded the 2010 Newbery Medal. It's that good. The story is a mystery wrapped in an enigma and served on a bed of twists. And that's all I'm going to say.

A cataloger for the Metropolitan Library System since 1995, Jana Hausburg has the daunting task of cataloging library books before they go on the shelves of your local library.

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ON THE SHELF

The Worst Hard Time

by Timothy Egan

reviewed by Jana Hausburg

"Looks like it's going to be a booger."

--Ike Osteen

True, times are bad right now. The economic downturn has just about everybody hurting. But all things are relative. After reading Timothy Egan's National Book Award winner (2006), you'll have a greater appreciation of what the people of America's High Plains endured in the 1930s.

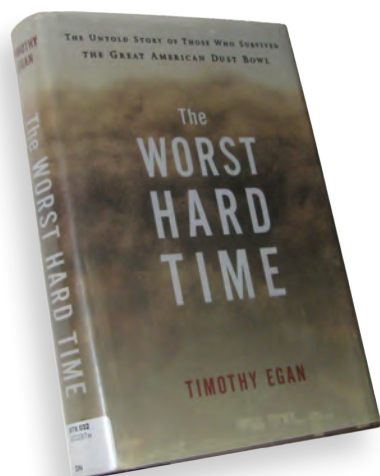
The horrors of the Dust Bowl days were many: an ecological nightmare that turned a rich ecosystem into a wasteland; dirt that rained down on crops, livestock, and citizens; dust pneumonia; blindness; plagues of insects; famine. It's no wonder so many people decided to leave from the Texas and Oklahoma panhandles, western Kansas, southwestern Colorado, and southeastern New Mexico. But many also chose to stay. *The Worst Hard Time* is their story.

Ignorance, arrogance, and political maneuvering contributed to the destruction of the prairie lands. Grit and determination are what saw the people through, along with the introduction of conservation methods promoted by FDR's administration and government assistance programs that literally kept people from starving.

Most gripping is the chapter focusing on Black Sunday, "the great grand daddy of all dust storms" that hit on April 14, 1935. Temperatures plunged more than thirty degrees in the span of two hours. Few knew what was coming.

"What happened to the sunlight? Why is it so dark? Was this a twister? ... Where did it come from? Where was it going? How long would it last? Will we get enough air? What should we do? Flee? Hide?"

This title also available as a sound recording.

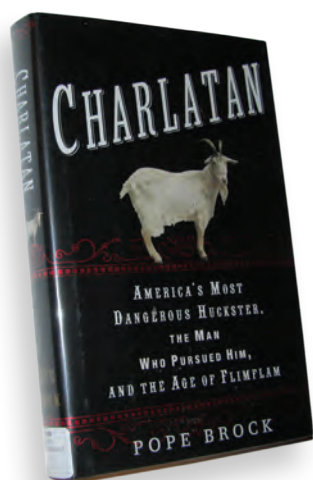




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Charlatan: America's Most Dangerous Huckster, The Man Who Pursued Him, and the Age of Flimflam by Pope Brock

reviewed by Doug Bentin



The man of the title was John R. Brinkley and if he hadn't been real no novelist or screen writer would dare to invent him. He wasn't a scientist, but he was a pseudoscientist with a capital PSEUDO whose run as a marketer of renewed virility in the 1920s was only stymied when the Kansas State Medical Board insisted on viewing one of his operations. These consisted of removing the, ah, manhood of a goat and surgically placing the goat glands into a man's body. The Board was not edified. No further details will be given here. You figure it out.

Years of dead or dying patients should have convinced even the most gullible suckers in Kansas that Brinkley had nothing to offer medical science, but no, he build hospitals and opened a chain of

pharmacies which sold his cures at six times the cost of real medicine. He ran for governor in the early 1930s, creating mass media marketing techniques still used by politicians today.

Author Brock tells us that at least 42 people died of Brinkley's "cures," making him one of America's most prodigious if unknown serial killers. "His career was sustained in part by America's deep reluctance to criminalize greed." How some things do stay the same.

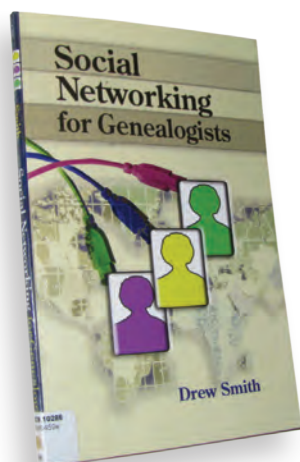
This title is also available as an audio book.

Doug Bentin appears weekly on the MLS TV program "Read About It." Check out his movie reviews in The Oklahoma Gazette.

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Social Networking for Genealogists by Drew Smith

reviewed by Phyllis Davidson



Think you have no use for social networking? Think again! If you are a fan of genealogy, you can use this book to help you get started exchanging family-history information on the Internet.

Begin with learning about RSS and tagging, because they are included in many Internet services. Read about browsing and subscribing to message boards, and try posting your questions to one of the boards. Check out blogs, newsletters and wikis.

Get involved in collaborative editing in Google Docs. Set up a Delicious account and create a database of your favorite bookmarked websites that you can access from any computer. Catalog your own genealogy books (or any other kind) on

LibraryThing. If you own a rare book, someone might contact you to look up references for them. Of course, you've heard about Facebook.

Even if you don't want to use the Internet for genealogy, you can still get a brief overview of social networking and information sharing from this short, easy-to-read guide. Who knows? You might get caught up in the web of social networking.

Phyllis Davidson is a reference librarian at the Downtown Library. She is the editor of a family newsletter, teaches genealogy classes to customers at the library, and delves into her own family history outside the Library walls.

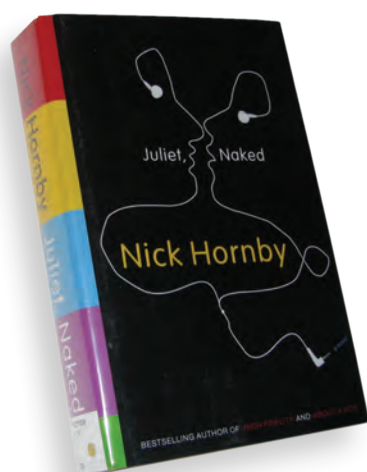


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Juliet, Naked by Nick Hornby

reviewed by Chris Carroll



British novelist Nick Hornby is the undisputed champion of Dude Lit. His memorable portraits of emotionally stunted male characters portray the tensions between maintaining obsessions with sports, music, and pop culture versus dealing with actual human relationships. Hornby's newest book, *Juliet, Naked*, returns to themes so well drawn in his first novel, the celebrated 90s classic *High Fidelity*.

Hornby explores the conflicts between people struggling to decide which is more important, what you *like* or what you *are* like. In *Juliet, Naked*, Brit music geek Duncan is a devoted superfan of a reclusive, Bob Dylan-esque pop star. He maintains a website devoted to interpreting the works of Tucker Crowe, an arcane calling that exhausts both Duncan's limited emotional resources and his long-term relationship with long-suffering girlfriend Annie.

After decades of silence, Tucker Crowe releases an "unplugged" version of his masterpiece album, and Duncan is forced to confront the altered

meanings of a work of art he has devoted so much of his own life to studying. The music also has a surprising impact on Annie, who has tolerated Duncan's obsessions but reevaluates her own life in light of her unexpected connection with the musician and his songs.

Like all of Hornby's best writing, *Juliet, Naked* takes pop music and its most devoted fans seriously, portraying both the joys and the limits of engaging with artists and their art. Hornby's writing has a light touch, but it cuts deeply into the truths of relationships and the possibilities and limits of human connections.

This title also available as a sound recording and is available as an Adobe EPUB eBook download.

Christopher Carroll is the MLS Development Specialist and is currently attending the Master of Library and Information Science program at the University of Oklahoma. He has a list of books he someday plans to read that is 69 pages long at the time of this writing.

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ON THE SHELF

Scat by Carl Hiaasen

reviewed by Fran Harbert



I listened to the audio version on CD, read by Ed Asner. It is nominated for a 2009 Grammy Award in the Spoken Word for Children category, and it's easy to see why. Or should I say, easy to *hear* why. It was great! Carl Hiaasen is a newspaper columnist/author from Florida, and I guess everyone knows Ed Asner. Hiaasen writes both adult and juvenile fiction, and his concerns usually highlight environmental concerns and corruption. This time the environmental focus is on endangered panthers in Florida

Scat was great from the get-go. Usually it takes

me several pages to get caught up in a story, but Hiaasen and Asner got me in the first few minutes of listening. As usual with Hiaasen, the story's setting is Florida.

Scat is a mystery and starts in a classroom. The main characters are Nick and Marta. Near the beginning of the book a teacher disappears while on a biology class field trip to a swamp. How's that for a hook to get your attention?

Fran Harbert is a Librarian at the Del City Library. She is the Children's Librarian at Del City responsible for Storytimes and other children's programs.



...Take You Anywhere

It looks like a work of modern art, or maybe a really messed up checker board, but it's not. It's a QR code, and it's the fastest way to move to your library's home page on the Internet.

QR (which stands for "Quick Response") codes were developed in Japan. It's a two-dimensional bar code that can be read by mobile devices into which a particular application has been downloaded. You take a picture of the code with the camera in your Internet-access cell phone, and in the blink of an eye you're looking at the Place Page associated with that code. To find out what application is right for your phone, do a Google search for the model of your phone along with "QR reader."

Try it with this issue of *info*. Snap a picture of the code and see where it takes you.

The concept was originally developed for businesses. Say a sushi restaurant displays a QR code on its front door. Potential customers can take a picture of the code and then can see instantly the restaurant's

mobile Place Page, including whatever information about the restaurant the owners want you to know—hours of operation, prices, even a sample menu.

And the code will direct you to the page of that particular restaurant rather than any of a dozen others in that franchise.

A few years ago, Case Western University experimented with QR codes placed on signage around campus. Students could use it to get bus schedules, news alerts from USA Today, and other information as well.

Some people are even printing personal QR codes on T-shirts, sending anyone with a decoder to their web pages or blogs. There are several free QR generating sites you can visit to create your own. QR codes are free and don't require a license. The Japanese company that developed the technology, Denso Wave Incorporated, owns the patent rights but isn't exercising them.

Welcome to the 21st Century. Try to keep up.



8th Annual Literary Voices™ Event Presents Bestselling Author Harlan Coben

It all began in 2003 when humorist Dave Barry came to town. Barry was the first speaker at the Library Endowment Trust's Annual Literary Voices™ event and he has since been followed by Dr. Beck Weathers, Juan Williams, Jane Seymour, Sue Grafton, Scott Turow and Ann Patchett.



Choctaw Library

Library service in Choctaw began humbly enough when a handful of citizens asked Metro to schedule a regular bookmobile run for the city. Usage of this portable facility grew until a bookmobile was stationed permanently in Choctaw.

By the late 1970s, the demand for fuller library service caused the Metro Library System and the city of Choctaw to begin looking for a building.

The Tri-City Youth and Family Center came to the rescue by offering a room in the southwest corner of its building on Main and 23rd. All that was needed was a glass front door. Thus began the formation of the Choctaw Library Guild, and the Choctaw Extension Library proudly opened its doors for business in 1978.

Plans for a new dedicated library building continued, but on the evening of May 3, 1999, all talk was stilled when the same tornado that had already cut a swath through Moore and Del City undulated eastward, crossed NE 23rd, and ripped a wound in Choctaw the city wouldn't soon forget.

And one of the devastated structures was the Tri-City Youth and Family Center's roof was ripped off with the ease of a child tearing into a box of Cracker Jack in search of the prize within, and thousands of dollars worth of damage was inflicted on library material and equipment.

A stopgap storefront library opened until a new building could rise from the destruction of the tornado.

The project was a joint effort of the City of Choctaw and The Metropolitan Library System, with assistance from the Choctaw Library Guild and the Friends of the Metropolitan Library, which has donated \$4,000 for a land survey, sponsored a dinner which raised \$3,000 in discretionary funds, and has granted \$10,700 for the construction of a concrete deck which allows access to the main building for the disabled.

MLS Executive Director Donna Morris described the new structure as a small but very efficient library.

"The new Choctaw Library provides enhanced services to not only the residents of Choctaw but to the entire eastern Oklahoma County area," she noted.

"The library reflects the pioneer strength of the community through its design and a devotion to natural light and natural materials used in construction."

In 2010, Bestselling author Harlan Coben will be the guest of honor at the 8th Annual Literary Voices™ Author Dinner.

The fundraising event will be held on Tuesday, April 13, at 7:00p.m. at the Oklahoma City Golf and Country Club. Tickets are \$125 per person for the dinner, or \$250 per person to attend the dinner and a private reception with Coben to be held at 6:00p.m. at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Dodge Hill. There will also be a limited seating conversation with Mr. Coben, free admission, Wednesday morning, April 14 on the 4th floor of the Downtown Library.

Harlan Coben is an internationally bestselling author whose new novel, *Caught*, will be released on March 23. He's probably best known for the Myron Bolitar series of thrillers/suspense novels, and for his acclaimed 2001 novel *Tell No One*, which was adapted in 2006 for an award-winning French film called *Ne le dis a personne*, starring Kristin Scott Thomas.

The dinner benefits the Library Endowment Trust, a nonprofit 501 (c) (3) organization that gives the public an avenue by which it can contribute tax-deductable monetary gifts to the Metropolitan Library System. These funds are invested on a permanent basis and will grow and be used to benefit MLS.

The Library Endowment Trust was created by the Friends of the Library in 1986 to support the services and programs of the library system.

But the Literary Voices™ event has always been more than just an opportunity to meet a popular writer. Every year the Library Endowment Trust honors a person or people who have made profound and lasting contributions to MLS. Past honorees include Lee B. Brawner, Nancy Anthony, Beth and Jim Tolbert, Sarah Hogan, John Rex, Barbara Eskridge, and Penny McCaleb. This year the dinner honors James and Ronald J. Norick as recipients of the Lee B. Brawner Lifetime Achievement Award.

For more information or to reserve your tickets, please call MLS Development Coordinator Christopher Carroll at (405) 606-3760.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

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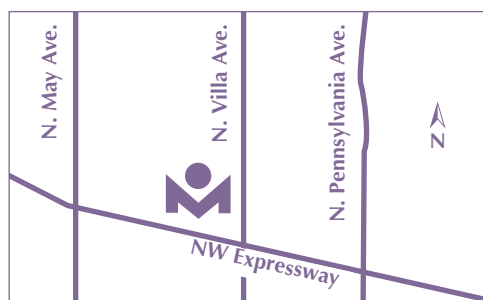
MLS Sunday Libraries (Downtown, Edmond, Midwest City and Southern Oaks) will be closed Sunday, April 4, in observance of Easter.

Belle Isle Library

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

HOURS

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



ESL: Learn English as a Second Language

Apr 1,6,8,13,15,20,22,27,29

Tue & Thur | 9:30a-12:30p

Adults



With Oklahoma City Public Schools. Improve your English speaking, reading, and writing skills in this free class for people who are new to the English language. Ongoing enrollment. You can join this class at any time. For questions and to register, come to the class.

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play With Me

Apr 1,8,15,22 | Thur 10-11a

Infant to age 4 with parent or guardian



Playing with your baby or child is not only important for bonding but is also an educational experience for your child. We are providing a special time and place for you to come to the library and spend one-on-one time playing with your child. A different community resource professional will be available each week to answer your parenting questions. This program is intended for

infants through age four with their parents or guardians. Pre-register by calling the library or visiting the reference desk.

Service Corps of Retired Executives

Apr 3,17 | Sat | 9a-Noon

Adults

If you are interested in starting a new business or are a business owner in need of assistance, counseling is available the first and third Saturday of the month. The Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) will offer free confidential assistance for potential small business owners. Sign up at the Reference Desk for an appointment. Co-sponsor: Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE).

Tax Help by AARP Volunteers

Apr 3,17 | Sat | 9a-Noon

Apr 6,13 | Tue | 9a-1p

Apr 7,14 | Wed | 9a-1p

Adults

AARP trained volunteers will assist you in preparing your 2009 state and federal tax returns. No appointments - first come, first served. E-filing only. Co-sponsor: AARP.

Children Reading to Dogs

Apr 5,12,19,26 | Mon

6-7:30p

Children who can read



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

Conversational Spanish Class

Apr 5,12,19 | Mon

6:30-8:30p

Teens and older



Conversational Spanish class for spring 2010. This course is intended to teach basic Spanish speaking skills (Who, What, When, and Where). The class began on Jan. 25 and will continue on Monday evenings until April 19. Register at the Reference Desk or call 843-9601.

Are You Prepared? For the Next Ice Storm, Fire, Tornado?

Apr 6 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p

All ages

When disaster happens, it's too late to make a list of what you need to have or to do. Be prepared! Join us as a representative from the American Red Cross of Central Oklahoma discusses what you need to do to be ready for a disaster. Co-sponsor: American Red Cross of Central Oklahoma.

Piano Masterworks for Children with

Wayne McEvilly

Apr 10 | Sat | 2-3p

All ages



Pianist Wayne McEvilly provides an up close and personal experience of the music and lives of Mozart, Bach, Chopin, Beethoven, and a history of the piano. During Wayne's performances, he encourages children to recognize their own ability to be natural musicians by listening and emphasizes how listening to the music of Mozart or Bach can improve concentration for reading, studying and creative work. This program includes some old favorites and is recommended for all ages.

Metropolitan Library Commission of Oklahoma County

Apr 15 | Thur | 3:30-5p

Belle Isle Library

5501 N. Villa

Oklahoma City, OK 73112

405.843.9601

The public is welcome to attend.



Metro OKC Knit Guild Group Meeting

Apr 18 | Sun | 3-5p

Teens and Adults

Everyone--any knitter or a person who's never knitted, but would like to learn is welcome. Each monthly program includes a lesson of a new knitting technique and examples of charity knitting projects. For questions about the group, e-mail the guild at



Tax Help: AARP

For Adults. AARP trained volunteers will assist you in preparing your 2009 state and federal tax returns. No appointments taken. First come, first served.

Belle Isle Library—AARP, E-filing ONLY.

Saturdays: Apr 3,10: 9a-Noon

Tuesdays: Apr 6,13: 9a-1p

Wednesdays: Apr 7,14: 9a-1p

Del City Library—AARP, E-filing ONLY

Thursdays: Apr 1,8,15: Noon-4p

Saturdays: Apr 3,10: 9-11a

Mondays: Apr 5,12: Noon-4p

Edmond Library—AARP E-filing ONLY

Thursdays: Apr 1,8,15: 10a-8:30p

Wednesdays: Apr 7,14: 10a-3p

Southern Oaks Library—AARP E-filing ONLY

Thursdays: Apr 1,8,15: 9a-2:30p

Wednesdays: Apr 7,14: 9a-2:30p

The Village Library—AARP, E-filing ONLY.

Saturdays: Apr 3,10: 10a-3p

Tuesdays: Apr 6,13: 10a-3p

Wednesdays: Apr 7,14: 10a-3p

Warr Acres Library—AARP, E-filing ONLY

Fridays: Apr 2,9: 9a-2p

Mondays: Apr 5,12: 9a-2p

metrookcknitguild@gmail.com.

Co-sponsor: Metro OKC Knit Guild.

Irish Dancing

Apr 24 | Sat | 2-3p

All ages

Enjoy the irresistible music, colorful costumes, and fast-moving feet of the students of Hill Irish Dance School as they present the traditional music and dances of the Emerald Isle. A program for the whole family.



So Many Bunnies

Apr 29 | Thur | 10-11a

Pre-kindergarten

Stories about bunnies and their behavior will be shared by Miss B. Playtime and an activity will follow. Pre-registration begins Apr. 1st. Call 843-9601.



Bethany Library

3501 N. Mueller, Bethany
(405) 789-8363

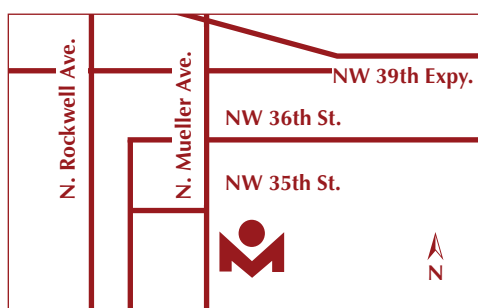
HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9

Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5

Sun: Closed



Toddler Story and Play Time

Apr 1,15 | Thur

9:30-10:15a and

10:30-11:15a

Ages 2-3 with adult

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



Parent Talk

Apr 5 | Mon | 1-4p

Infants to age 5 w/parent

Parent Talk appointments are provided by the Oklahoma City-County Health Department Child Guidance free of charge. Sessions include discussion about the normal range of early development and any parenting questions you may have in the areas of speech, language, development and behavior. By appointment only! Call Child Guidance at 425-4412. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.



The Children's Hour:

Evening Story Time

Apr 6 | Tue | 6:30-7p

Ages 3-8

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



Story and Craft Time

Apr 8,22 | Thur | 10-10:45a

Ages 3-6

Enjoy stories, songs, nursery rhymes and a fun craft. Pre-register at the library information desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.



Fun! Wii Games! Snacks

Apr 16 | Fri | 10-11:30a

Adults

Fun! Wii Games! Breakfast snacks will be on here on the 3rd Friday of each month. Get the exercise you need and meet some very nice people.

Children Reading to Dogs

Apr 24 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a

Ages 5 and older

Lovable dogs and their trained owners will help children develop reading skills. So grab your favorite picture book and enjoy a time of reading in our meeting room. Dogs and owners are trained and certified as dog therapy teams by Therapy Dogs International. Pre-register at the Info. Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.



The Art of Paper Folding

Apr 24 | Sat | 2-3p

Adults and students 16 and older

Mae Dean Erb teaches origami from the simple to the most complicated origami designs. Join us for this exceptional workshop. Refreshments will be served after the program.



Capitol Hill Library

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

HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-8 Sat: 9-5
Fri: 9-6 Sun: Closed



Move and Groove Story Time

Apr 5,19 | Mon

10:30-11a

Ages 1-6 w/caregiver

Toddler and pre-schoolers are invited to hear a story and learn some exercise moves. Parent participation is encouraged. Please call 634-6308 for more information.



Conversational Spanish Class

Apr 7,14,21 | Wed

5:30-7p

Adults

Conversational Spanish class for Spring 2010. This course is intended to teach basic Spanish speaking skills (Who, What, When, and Where). The class started on Wednesday, February 10th and will continue on Wednesday evenings until May 12th. This program requires pre-registration. Please sign up at the Information Desk, or by calling the library.



Trip Around the World

Apr 8 | Thur | 5:30-7p

Grades 3 through 6

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

Scrubby Bear Visit

Apr 13 | Tue | 10-10:30a

All Ages

Come learn the importance of hand washing in a fun and entertaining way with Scrubby Bear. Kids will love the hand washing song and meeting Scrubby Bear in person.



"Please and Thank You"

Stories About Manners

Apr 13 | Tue | 10:30-11a

Ages 1-6 w/caregiver

Please won't you join us. We would be most delighted! Thank you!



After School Club

Apr 14,21,28 | Wed | 4-5p

Grades 1-6

Join us for after school for books, games, crafts, snacks and fun! Every Wednesday at the Capitol Hill Library.

"Things That Make You Go Ewww"

Craft and Story Time

Apr 15 | Thur | 4-4:45p

Ages 6-12

Craft and story time about things that are yucky.

Aztec, Incas and Mayans: Ancient

Civilizations

Apr 22 | Thur | 4-4:45p

Ages 6-12

Craft and Story Time.

Butterflies Fly!

Apr 27 | Tue | 10:30-11a

Ages babies to age 6

w/caregiver

Spring is here! Read about the fantastic life of the beloved butterfly.



Are You Prepared? For the Next Ice

Storm, Fire, Tornado?

Apr 27 | Tue | 6-7p

All ages

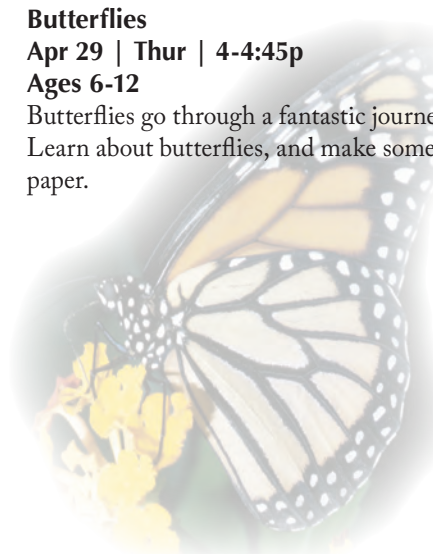
When disaster happens, it's too late to make a list of what you need to have or to do. Be prepared! Join us as a representative from the American Red Cross of Central Oklahoma discusses what you need to do to be ready for a disaster. Co-sponsor: American Red Cross of Central Oklahoma.

Butterflies

Apr 29 | Thur | 4-4:45p

Ages 6-12

Butterflies go through a fantastic journey. Learn about butterflies, and make some out of paper.

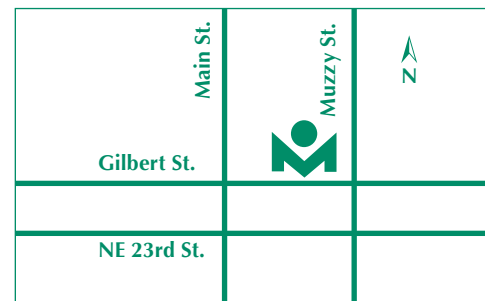


Choctaw Library

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

HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-8 Sat: 9-5
Fri: 9-6 Sun: Closed



Games at Your Library

Apr 1,15,29 | Thur | 3:30-5p

Apr 6,13,20,27 | Tue | 3:30-5p

Kids and teens

GOT GO! Expand your brain power and play some games at the library. On Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, the community room will be open for kids and teens to play games. Play GO, Chess, Checkers, Dominoes, card games and more.

Art Class

Apr 2,9,16,23,30 | Fri | 9:30-10:30a

Ages 6 and older

Free Art Class! Artist/Teacher, Elizabeth Woodruff will lead these class sessions. Children will learn pencil and charcoal drawing techniques. Students are asked to bring a pencil with eraser and drawing paper. Please bring one picture that you have drawn to the first session.

Preschool Aerobics

Apr 2 | Fri | 10:30-11a

Ages 2-5 years

Join us for preschool aerobics featuring exercises to develop fine & gross motor skills. Parents/caregivers will participate with their child. Please pre-register at 390-8418.



GED

Apr 5,7,12,14,19,21,26,28

Mon & Wed | 9-11:15a

Age 16 & older

Students are invited to attend free GED classes. Review English, social studies, science, essay writing and math skills in preparation for the GED test. Materials are provided. Classes are open to students 16 years and older who are not currently enrolled in high school. For students 16-17, a notarized consent waiver form is required. Co-sponsors: OCCC, EOC Tech and State Dept. of Education.



Downtown Library Computer Classes 2010



Everything You Need to Know to Learn Computer Basics!

All classes are at the Downtown Library,
300 Park Ave., in the Route 66 Computer Lab*.
Classes are held Tuesdays from 6-7:30pm.

- April 6:** Internet Fraud
- April 13:** Computer Basics— Keyboarding
- April 20:** Email and Gmail
- May 4:** Computer Basics
- May 11:** Computer Basics 2
- May 18:** eBay—How to Buy & Sell Safely

Questions? Call (405) 606-3879 for answers or to register.

**Every Wednesday from 9-11am the Route 66 Computer Lab is open for job searching, resume assistance and one-on-one computer instruction.*

Conversational Spanish Class

Apr 5,12 | Mon | 5-6p
Ages 16-adult



Spanish language students are invited to join a free 8 week conversational Spanish class to practice and improve their conversational Spanish. Pre-registration preferred. Call 390-8418 for more information. Co-sponsor: Choctaw Library Guild.

Lapsit Story Time

Apr 6,13,20,27 | Tue
9:30-10a

Ages 6 months-3 years



Join us for simple songs, rhymes, and stories for parents and babies to enjoy together. Please call 390-8418 or stop by the Reference Desk to sign up.

Preschool Story Time

Apr 6,13,20,27 | Tue
10:30-11a

Ages 3-5 years



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

Parent Talk

Apr 8 | Thur | 1-5
Parents and caregivers of young children



Individual appointments available between 1:00 – 5:00pm (approx. 45 min.) Sessions include discussion about the normal range of early development as well as any parenting questions you may have in the areas of speech,

language, development, and behavior. Children do not have to be present at session. Call Child Guidance to register! 425-4412. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City County Health Department.

Vaudeville!

Apr 8 | Thur | 6-7p
Teens



Improvational theater, or Improv, is fun and easy- it is all about being spontaneous! We will do a couple of Improv activities and then explore the basics of juggling. Anyone can learn to juggle, and this workshop will show you how!

Family Place: Open Play

Apr 10 | Sat | 10-11a
Ages 6 months - 5 years



On the second Saturday of every month the Choctaw Library provides great toys and a space for you and your child to play together. Sharing playtime with your child helps promote learning and development. Come and join the fun! Call 390-8418 to register.

Are You Prepared? For the Next Ice Storm, Fire, Tornado?

Apr 13 | Tue | 6-7p

All ages

When disaster happens, it's too late to make a list of what you need to have or to do. Be prepared! Join us as a representative from the American Red Cross of Central Oklahoma discusses what you need to do to be ready for a disaster. Co-sponsor: American Red Cross of Central Oklahoma.

Parachute Play

Apr 16 | Fri | 10:30-11a
Ages 3-6 w/parent



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 very active play. Facilitated by Child Guidance Speech-Language Pathologists. Class size limited to 20. Please call 425-4412 to pre-register. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City County Health Department.

Children Reading to Dogs

Apr 21 | Wed | 4-5p
Children who can read



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

Ookami Anime Club

Apr 24 | 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.

Health and Wellness Seminar

Apr 27 | Tue | 6-7p

Adults

A clinician with the Choctaw Family Medical & Aesthetics Center will present an informative workshop on ADHD. Resource materials will be provided. Co-sponsor: Choctaw Family Medical & Aesthetics Center.

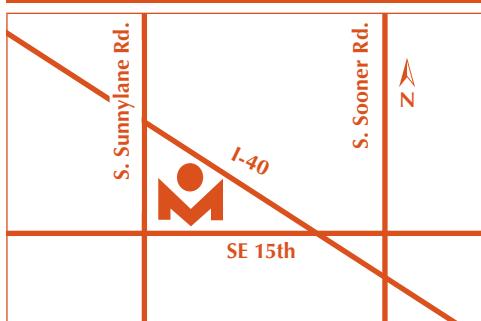
Del City Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed



Tax Help by AARP Volunteers

Apr 1,8,15 | Thur | Noon-4p

Apr 3,10 | Sat | 9-11a

Apr 5,12 | Mon | Noon-4p

Adults

Del City Library hosts AARP tax help volunteers Mondays and Thursdays, noon to 4pm, and Saturdays, 9:00am to 11am. E-filing. Tax help is provided on a first-come, first served basis.

Color Me Blue Storytime

Apr 2 | Fri | 10-10:20a

Ages 1-5

It's a whale of a story at the Color Me Blue Storytime. Join us to hear stories about things that are blue and enjoy a fun craft activity.



Del City Book Club

Apr 1,8,15 | Thur | Noon-4p

Apr 3,10 | Sat | 9-11a

Apr 5,12 | Mon | Noon-4p

Adults

Del City Book Club meets monthly to discuss a book chosen by its members. Join anytime and suggest a title for upcoming meetings! This month we are reading *Push* by Sapphire. Come by the library to pick up a copy. For more information and to reserve the book call 672-1377.

ADHD Perspectives

Apr 6 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p

Parents and kids

Get informed about ADHD and how to manage the challenges presented with the diagnosis. This is a monthly meeting for parents and children with ADHD in a support group setting. Children will have the chance to participate in a peer group setting. Please call 672-1377 to pre-register or for more information.



Upcycled Art

Apr 8 | Thur | 6-7:30p

Teens

Upcycled art "upgrades" materials that might have been tossed in the garbage and aims to raise the awareness of how we use our resources. Stop by the library today and get creative with used wrapping paper, bottle caps, and thrift store knick knacks. Upcycle it! For more information call 672-1377. All materials will be provided so sign up today!



Storytime Aerobics

Apr 8 | Thur | 6:30-7p

Ages 1-5

Don't be fooled! Exercise is fun. Come join us as we exercise to music and enjoy exciting stories at Storytime Aerobics.



Teen Advisory Board

Meet-Up

Apr 20 | Tue | 3:30-4:30p

Teens

The Teen Advisory Board (TAB) gives teens the opportunity to participate, volunteer, and influence teen services at the Del City Library. We meet once a month to talk about the books, magazines, music, and library programs that YOU care about. Join us and make the Del City Library YOUR library! Call 672-1377 for more information.



Are You Prepared? For the Next Ice Storm, Fire, Tornado?

Apr 21 | Wed | 6-7p

All ages

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PlayTime

Apr 22 | Thur | 10-11a

Ages 6 months-3 years

The library provides toys for the little children to play! Rae Kirkman, Mid-Del School's Parents as Teacher's Coordinator, will share information about that program.



Earth Day Urban Gardening

Apr 22 | Thur | 4-6p

Teens

It's Earth Day and that means it's time to get your hands dirty! Even if you don't have acres of land, you can still enjoy homegrown veggies and learn to appreciate how the natural world sustains us. Teens, join us as we break ground and plant the first seeds in our urban vegetable garden in the courtyard southwest of the library. Please call 672-1377 for more information.



Teens

Origami—Paper Folding Fun

Apr 24 | Sat | 3-3:45p

Grades 6-11

Mae Dean Erb returns for more origami! Come learn different folds. Paper will be provided.

Something's Fishy Storytime

Apr 27 | Tue | 6:30-7:15p

Ages 4-8

Come for fun with stories and activities about fish. We'll make a splash for reading!

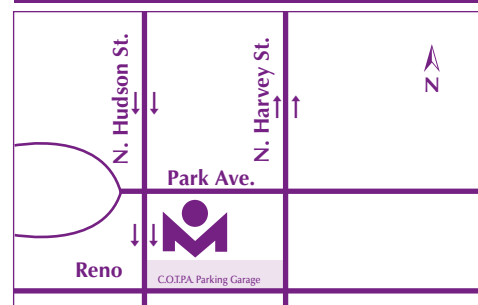
Downtown Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6



Noon Tunes

Apr 1,8,15,22,29 | Thur

11:30a-12:30p

All ages

Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Metropolitan Library System. Music groups performing in April are:

Apr 1: BC Jazz Ensemble

Apr 8: Tess Remy-Schu/B. Davis
Cello/Piano

Apr 15: Doce, Violin/Guitar Duo

Apr 22: Nichols Hills Elementary School

Apr 29: Harold Dugger, Singer/Songwriter



Thursday Noon Tunes

Downtown Library Atrium every Thursday from 11:30 to 12:30pm

April 1: B C Jazz Ensemble

April 8: Tess Remy-Schumaker / Benjamin Davis-cello/piano

April 15: Dolce-violin/guitar duo

April 22: Nichols Hills Elementary Choir

April 29: Harold Dugger-singer/songwriter

All performances are free and open to the public.



Downtown Library | 300 Park Avenue
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma | (405) 606-3833



Family Place: 1-2-3 Play With Me

Apr 1 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p
Infants to age 4 w/parent



Playing with your baby or child is not only important for bonding but is also an educational experience for your child. We are providing a special time and place for you to come to the library and spend one-on-one time playing with your child. A different community resource professional will be available each week to answer your parenting questions. This program is intended for infants through age four with their parents or guardians. Pre-register by calling 231-8650, ext. 4, or by visiting the Children's Reference Desk.

Play with Me

Apr 2 | Fri | 10-10:50a
Infants to age 5 with adult



Join us for fun with toys and friends. A short circle time with a small snack will be provided. Call to register at 231-8650, ext. 4.

Build Your Own Business

Apr 6 | Tue | Noon-1p
Adults

Learn why business plans are important, where to find funding, and how to start and manage your own business. Seminar is presented by SCORE, "Counselors to America's Small Business", a non-profit organization dedicated to entrepreneur education and the success of small businesses nationwide. SCORE is a resource partner of the U.S. Small Business

Administration. Class will meet in Downtown Library Room C-D. Call 232-3382 to pre-register by Friday April 2 or to obtain more information. Co-sponsor: SBA and Ok City Downtown College.

Internet Fraud

Apr 6 | Tue | 6-7:30
Adults



Taught by computer expert Chris Larwig, this class will help you understand the in's and out's of computer safety, such as cookies, passwords, spam, viruses, on-line purchasing and more. You don't want to miss this class!

Wednesday Night at the Movies

Apr 7,14,21,28 | Wed | 6-8p
Ages 13 and older

Join the Downtown Library for Wednesday Night at the Movies! Please call 606-3876 for more information.

Apr 7: *The Bourne Identity*

Apr 14: *Minority Report*

Apr 21: *Casino Royale*

Apr 28: *I Am Legend*

Preschool Aerobics

Apr 9 | Fri | 10-10:45a
Ages 5 and younger w/adult



Preschool aerobics will get you moving and grooving with warm-ups, stretches, activities and a cool-down. An active story will wrap up your aerobic experience. Call 231-8650, ext. 4 to register.

Gallery Story Times

Apr 10 | Sat | 2-3p
All ages



Held at the Oklahoma City Museum of Art. (Storytime is free with paid admission to the museum.) Discover stories about artists, artworks, and their inspiration! Join us in the Oklahoma City Museum of Art galleries the second Saturday of each month at 2 pm, as we explore unique themes connecting art and literature. Today's theme is Animals in Art. No advance registration is required. A parent or caregiver must remain with the child. Co-sponsored by the Metropolitan Library System.

Ernestine Hill Clark Concert Series: The Serenity of Bach w/pianist

Wayne McEvilly
Apr 11 | Sun | 2-3p
All ages



This series of concerts, in honor of Ernestine Clark, are performed by Wayne McEvilly. Everyone is invited to enjoy the free concerts. Co-sponsor: MLS Endowment Trust.

Computer Basics and Keyboarding

Apr 13 | Tue | 6-7:30
Adults



This class will cover all the basics of getting started using a computer as well as an emphasis on using the keyboard. This class is a must for all beginners.

**Author Confidential:
Harlan Coben**

Apr 14 | Wed | 10-11a
All ages



Readers of the fascinating stories written by Harlan Coben, author of the popular Myron Bolitar novels, will be thrilled to know they can hear him speak at the Downtown Library. He will share his insights for writing and be available for answering questions from his audience. If you appreciate good writing and enjoy meeting interesting authors, this is a golden opportunity here in Oklahoma City in the 46th Auditorium of the Downtown Library. Mr. Coben will sign books following the program. Books will be provided by Full Circle Book Store. The event is free and open to the public. For information call 606-3879 or 606-3760. Co-sponsor: Library Endowment Trust.

Preschool Storytime

Apr 16 | Fri | 10-10:45a
Ages 1-5



Join us for spring stories. Children will enjoy stories, fingerplays, a craft and more. Call 231-8650, ext. 4 to register.

Children Reading to Dogs

Apr 17 | Sat | 3-4p
Children who can read



Come read to a dog! Children can practice and improve their reading skills by reading to specially trained dogs and their owners who act as an uncritical, appreciative audience. They love a good dog story--borrow one of ours or bring your own. Dogs and their owners are trained and certified through Therapy Dogs International.

Pavel Tribunsky, Russian Historian

Apr 18 | Sun | 2-3p
All ages



The Downtown Library is honored to host Mr. Pavel Tribunsky, a Russian historian, who will speak about how Russian émigré's to America have influenced Western perspectives on Russian history. His lecture will include rare vintage historical video film footage. Co-sponsor: OSU Dept of Foreign Languages and Russian Club.

Email with Gmail

Apr 20 | Tue | 6-7:30
Adults



Still not sure what to do with email or even how to get an account? This class will introduce you to Google's email, including signing up, using the settings, adding a profile picture, attachments and more.

Music Play with Miss Ginger

Apr 23 | Fri | 10-10:50a
Ages 2-5 w/adult



Enjoy songs, musical games and a story with Ginger Waldrip of Ginger's Kindermusik. Instruments will be provided for those who have registered by calling 231-8650, ext. 4.

Parachute Play

Apr 30 | Fri | 10-10:50a
Ages 2-5 w/parent



Enjoy putting toys, music, games and a colorful parachute together for movement fun! Call 231-8650, ext. 4.



Edmond Library

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

HOURS

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

S. Broadway	Main St.	N. Boulevard	
	E. 1st St.		
	E. 2nd St.		

Tax Help by AARP Volunteers

Apr 1,8,15 | Thur | 10a-8:30p
Apr 7,14 | Wed | 10a-3p
Adults

The Edmond Library hosts AARP tax help volunteers Wednesdays from 10 am to 3 pm, and Thursdays from 10 am to 3pm, as well as from 6 pm to 8:30 pm. Tax help is provided on a first-come, first-served basis. Co-sponsor: AARP

GED

Apr 1,6,8,13,15,20,22,27,29
Tue & Thur | 5:30-8:30p
Age 16 and older



Review English, social studies, science, essay writing and math skills in preparation for the GED test. Materials are provided. Classes are

open to students 16 years and older who are not currently enrolled in school. Register with the instructor on the first day you attend class.

Stamp Club

Apr 3,17 | Sat | 10a-Noon
Grades 4 and higher

Looking for a new hobby? Join experienced stamp collectors who can guide you in this rewarding venture. Pre-register 348-4607.

Preschool Story Time

Apr 5,12,19,26 | Mon
10-10:30a



Ages 3-5

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

Intermediate ESL

Apr 5,7,12,14,19,21,26,28
Mon & Wed | 1-4p



Adults

For adults who would like to improve their spoken and written English. Class is provided by Oklahoma City Community College. Free. Register with instructor first day you attend. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City Community College.

Chess Club for Kids

Apr 5,19 | Mon | 3:30-5p
Ages 8-13

The Edmond Library Chess Club is a place where beginning chess players can learn and improve their skills and practice good sportsmanship in a positive environment. There will be a once a school year \$20 supply fee. Any interested individuals need to contact Connie Hong at conniehong.ok@gmail.com for more information.

Beginning ESL

Apr 5,7,12,14,19,21,26,28
Mon & Wed | 5-8:30p



Adults

For students who have not previously studied English, and who would like to begin at the beginning. Classes provided by Oklahoma City Community College. Register with the instructor on the first day you attend class.

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play with Me

Apr 6,13,20,27 | Tue
9:30-10:30a and
10:30-11:30a



Infant to age 4 with parent or guardian

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your child. A different community resource professional will be available each week to answer your parenting questions. This program is intended for infants through age four with their parents or guardians. Pre-register beginning March 22 by calling the library or visiting the reference desk. Preference will be given to those children who did not attend 1-2-3 Play with Me in 2009. All others will be placed on a waiting list.

Chess Club for Teens Apr 6,20 | Tue | 4-5:30p Teens 12-17

Edmond Teens in middle and high school, who enjoy playing Chess or would like to learn more about this game are invited to come and join. Organized by a local parent and coach. Boards will be provided. Free to participate.



Children Reading to Dogs Apr 6,20 | Tue 6:30-7:30p Children who can read

Read to a specially trained dog who loves to hear a good book! Dogs with their owners will be in the Library to be read to by children. The dogs enjoy hearing one of the dog stories we will have, but you can bring your own book. It is especially valuable in building self confidence and self-esteem for those needing an uncritical, appreciative, listening audience to improve reading skills. All dogs and owners are trained and certified as dog therapy teams, and most through Therapy Dogs International. Sessions last approximately 15-20 minutes.



55+ Coffee Break Apr 7,14,21,28 | Wed | 9-11a Seniors

This is a Coffee Break just for you. Snacks, good conversation, scrabble or games you bring yourself. Find out about new books offered in the library system. Don't miss out on the fun!

Computer Instruction with Eddie Apr 7,14,21,28 | Wed 1-5p Ages 18 & older

Free! Join Eddie for individual instruction on the computer. Every Wednesday, assistance is offered in increments of 30 minutes to an hour. Call (405) 341-9282, ext. 3 to sign up for your time.



Boosting Your Child's Brain Power! Apr 7 | Wed | 3:30-5p Parents or guardians

This workshop will focus on fun, age-appropriate activities that will not only



enhance the relationship between you and your child, but will be developmentally stimulating. Playing helps your child develop emotionally, physically, socially, and cognitively. Call 425 4412 to Register. Facilitated by Robyn Sears. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Computer Instruction with Dave Apr 7,14,21,28 | Wed 7-8p Ages 18 & older

Free! Join Dave for individual computer instruction. Every Wednesday, assistance is offered in increments of 30 minutes to an hour. Call (405) 341-9282 ext. 3 to register.



Creating an Action Plan Apr 7 | Wed | 7-8p Adults

Financial advisor Steven W. Tucker will talk about a financial "Action Plan for Women" including: How to Create a Support Network, Getting Organized, Setting Your Goals, Investing Wisely, Considering the Unexpected, and Staying Informed and Engaged.

Edmond Manga & Anime Club Apr 8 | Thur | 4-5:30p 6-7:30p Teens 13-17

Edmond teens meet to chat, discuss anime and manga trends, draw, view screening episodes and hang out. Free club meets second Thursday of the month at 4pm.



Music With Susan Apr 9,23 | Fri | 10-10:30a and 10:40-11:10a Ages 2-3

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



Music With Susan Apr 9,23 | Fri 11:15-11:45a Ages 4-5

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



Reader's Choice Book Discussion Apr 10 | Sat | 10:30a-Noon Adults

The Reader's Choice Book Club consists of people who enjoy discussing outstanding contemporary literature. April's selection is *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak. To reserve a copy from the library call 341-9282 at least two to three weeks ahead of the meeting.

Edmond Library Book Bunch Apr 10 | Sat | 2-3:30p Seniors

Still Alice is a very compelling novel about a 50 year old Harvard professor who develops young-onset Alzheimers. The book allows the reader to understand almost first-hand the emotional consequences of this disease. Please reserve your copy at least two to three weeks before the meeting.

Meet Novelist r. r. bryan Apr 10 | Sat | 2-3:30p Seniors

All the Angels and Saints is the rich, multi-dimensional story of an individual's quest for accountability from the Catholic Church, which he blames for the death of his daughter, a nun who is murdered while serving her mission in a tiny Guatemalan village. He pits his skills as a lawyer against the New Orleans Archdiocese as he pursues a personally dangerous course. Please register for this very interesting author talk at 341-9282.

Advanced Farsi Apr 11,18,25 | Sun 1:30-2:30p Adults and Teens

For those who have some familiarity with spoken and written Farsi. Supply charge is \$20. per month, payable to the instructor.



Beginning Farsi Apr 11,18,25 | Sun 2:30-3:30p Adults and Teens

For students who are beginning their study of Farsi. Supply charge for the class that you select is \$20.



Advanced Basic Computers Apr 17 | Sat | 2-3p Adults

We will begin with a discussion and demonstration of the Internet. We will also discuss email topics to include: How to send emails, automatic filing of mail in desired folders, and attaching pictures or files to email. Attention will also be given to digital pictures, connecting the camera to the computer, uploading pictures, and using a flash drive.



Romance of Chopin

Apr 18 | Sun | 2-3p
All ages



Listen to the expressive piano music of Frederic Chopin performed by master pianist Wayne McEvilly. This is a free concert for adults, teens and children. An April treat for all!

Sustainable Edmond

Apr 20 | Tue | 6:30-8p
Adults

At this monthly meeting of Sustainable Edmond members discuss how to improve quality of life in our community in ways that make sense economically, emotionally, and environmentally. Sustainable Edmond promotes environmental stewardship through individual, commercial, and business participation.

Tripping Through Toddlerhood

Apr 21 | Wed | 3:30-5p
Parents or guardians



Fun, Fascinating and frustrating are some words to describe the typical toddler. We will discuss what makes toddlers all three of these descriptions. Temper tantrums, biting and sharing are some of the most common issues facing parents of toddlers. Parents and child care providers are welcome to come learn ways to minimize the frustration associated with these challenges. Call 425-4412 to Register. Facilitated by Robyn Sears. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Are You Prepared? For the Next Ice Storm, Fire, Tornado?

Apr 22 | Thur | 7-8p
All ages

When disaster happens, it's too late to make a list of what you need to have or to do. Be prepared! Join us as a representative from the American Red Cross of Central Oklahoma discusses what you need to do to be ready for a disaster. Co-sponsor: American Red Cross of Central Oklahoma.

Manga Plush Art

Apr 26 | Mon | 3-4:30p
Ages 12-17



Local Artist Alex Brodt shows teens how to turn their love of Manga into 3-D fabric art. Materials will be provided. Class is free. Participants can sign up at the Edmond Library or call 348-9282 to pre register.

Edmond 2nd Annual Peep Contest Winners Announced

Apr 28 | Wed | 4-5p
Ages 12-17



Winners Announced today at the Edmond

Library. Teens 12-17 are invited to enter Art centered around Candy Peeps. Information, rules and entry forms are available at the library. Entries due April 5th-23rd. Join the fun it's sure to be Peepstastic.

Teen Volunteer Orientation

Apr 29 | Thur | 3:30-5p
Ages 13-17



Make a Splash as a summer teen volunteer! Training begins early this year. If you have completed an application, be the first to call 341-9282, ext. 4 and reserve a spot in a training session.

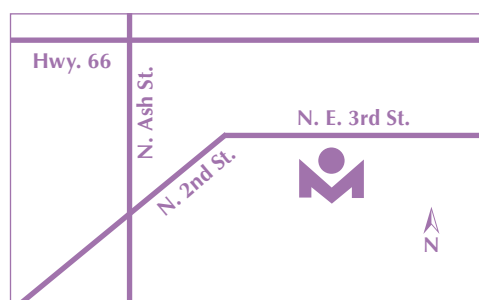


Luther Library

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

HOURS

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



Coffee Break

Apr 5 | Mon | 9:30a-10:30a
Adults

Come by for a cup of coffee & light refreshment. See what book we are featuring.

Farmers Tea

Apr 8 | Thur | 2-3p
Adults

Relax with a glass of tea and snack, then browse the shelves to see our new books.

Quilting and Sewing

Apr 19 | Mon | 10a-4:30p
Adults

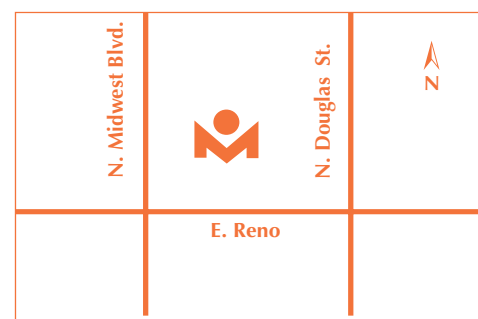
Come and enjoy the fellowship and learn to quilt and sew.

Midwest City Library

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

HOURS

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



Free Tutoring

Apr 1-30, Library Hours
Students (Teens and Kids)

If you are a school-aged student and need tutoring, (tutee) or, are a teen who can provide tutoring (tutor), please contact the Information Desk at 405-732-4828. This program is on-going during the school year.

Book Bug Club

Apr 1 | Thur | 4-5p
Grades 1-3

Join us in the Book Bug Club! We will have a snack, play a game and make a craft. We will be discussing *The Lorax* by Dr. Seuss. You can pick up a copy of the book at the Information Desk. Registration is required. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.

GameFest

Apr 1 | Thur | 4-5p
Teens



Come and get your game on!!!! Wii, Guitar Hero and much, much more!!! Scooby snacks provided!!! No registration required.

ESL

Apr 1,6,8,13,15,20,22,27,29
Tue & Thur | 5:30-8:30p
Adults



Designed to improve English language skills. Through everyday conversation, students will learn, review, and practice English grammar, vocabulary, and pronunciation.

Oklahoma Herpetological Society

Apr 1,15 | Thur | 7-9p

All ages

Join the Oklahoma City Herpetological Society for their regular meetings at the Library. All are welcome!

Saturday Morning Cartoons

Apr 3 | Sat | 10a-Noon

All ages

Join us for popcorn and an animated movie!



Alive @ 25

Apr 3 | Sat | 1-5p

Teens

The Library, in partnership with the Midwest City Police Department, presents this free program to help young adults and teens drive safely. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.



Community Quilting with Soldier Creek Quilting Group

Apr 5 | Mon | 9a-2p

Adults

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

Who's Line Is It Anyway?

Apr 5,12,19,26 | Mon

5:30-7p

Teens

Get your IMPROV ON! No registration required.



Wii While You Wait

Apr 6,13,20,27 | Tue | 9a-Noon

Adults

Learn to knit or crochet OR, strengthen your needle crafts. Class is free and all supplies provided by the library. No registration required.

Knit Wit Program

Apr 6,13,20,27 | Tue | 10a-Noon

All ages

Learn to knit or crochet OR, strengthen your needle crafts. Class is free and all supplies provided by the library. No registration required.

Parachute Play

Apr 7 | Wed | 10:30-11a

Ages 3-6 with parents

Playing games with a parachute, children will have the opportunity to practice such skills as following directions, socializing with others, using language, using small and large muscles, and remaining in control during very active play. Class size is limited to 20. Call 425-4412



to preregister. Facilitated by Cheryl Custer and Tracy Goebel. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Parent Talk

Apr 7 | Wed | 1-5p

Infants to age 5 w/parent

Sessions include discussion about the normal range of early development as well as any parenting questions you may have in the areas of speech, language, development, and behavior. Children do not have to be present at session. Call 425-4412 to schedule an appointment! Co-sponsor: OCCHD.



After School Movie Club

Apr 8,15,22,29 | Thur | 4-6p

Children of all ages

Join us for popcorn and a movie. Contact the Information Desk for the title of this week's movie.

Pajama Story Night

Apr 8 | Thur | 7-7:30p

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.



Understanding Your Mind/Body for Greater Wholeness

Apr 10 | Sat | 2-3p

Adults

Your thoughts are more important to your state of wellness than your genetics. This lecture explains how science is now proving what the mystics have said for hundreds and thousands of years - that our thoughts really determine the state of our mental, emotional and physical well being...that Thought is Cause. To attend this program, please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Co-Sponsor: School of Metaphysics

Job Readiness Class

Apr 12 | Mon | 4-5p

Adults

Looking for employment and need to update your resume? If so, please attend the Midwest City Library's Job Readiness Class. In addition to resume writing, participants learn interviewing skills and other techniques necessary for today's competitive job market. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Co-sponsor: Rose College Job Placement.

Belly Dancing

Apr 12 | Mon | 6-7:30p

All ages

Learn the art of Belly Dancing at the Midwest City Library. Instructor Katia Visser will instruct participants in dance techniques and skill development while also providing a different form of exercise. This program is free. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Parenting Style and Personality Type

Apr 13 | Tue | 6-8p

10:30-11:30a

For parents & caregivers of Young children

Are you a home-body or do you like to be on the go? Do you see the big picture or are you detail-oriented? What is your parenting style? In this two session class, you will discover your personality type and how it affects your parenting struggles, and give you insight into why others parent differently. You will complete a personality inventory to help you identify your personality type and receive the book "MotherStyles - Using Personality Type to Discover Your Parenting Strengths" by Janet Penley. A fee of \$15 will be charged to cover the cost of the book and personality inventory. Register by calling 425-4412. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.



Children Reading to Dogs

Apr 13,27 | Tue

7-7:30p

Children who can read

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

Co-sponsor: Creatures & Kids.



AAA Motor Vehicle Crash Prevention Course

Apr 17 | Sat | 9a-4p

Adults

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

The Weavers Guild of Oklahoma City Apr 17 | Sat | 10a-Noon Adults

The Weavers Guild of Oklahoma City would like to invite you to participate in our April 2010 program. This month's topic—Towels by the Dozen presented by Wanda Nobbe. For more information, please call 405-260-2095.

Lego Robotics

Apr 19 | Mon | 3:30-5:30p
Teens



Teens

Lego Robotics is back at the Midwest City Library. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 732-4828. Co-sponsor: OSU-OKC Extension.

Readers Society

Apr 20 | Tue | 10a-Noon
Adults

If you enjoy reading and discussing books, come to the Midwest City Library the third Tuesday of each month for our book club. New members are always welcome. Pick up your copy of our current book at the Information Desk, or call 732-4828.

Junior Master Gardening

Apr 20 | Tue | 3:30-4:30p
Teens



Teens

The Junior Master Program is an opportunity for young gardeners, or those interested in gardening, to further their knowledge and skills about the most basic form of agriculture. This class is free; to attend please register at the Information Desk or call 732-4828. Co-sponsor: OSU- OKC.

Global Youth Service Day

Apr 24 | Sat | 8a-5p
Teens ages 10-16



Teens

Millions of youth participate in Global Youth Service Day, the largest serves event in the world. Young adults tutor children, engage in disaster relief, register new voters, educate their communities in good nutrition, distribute HIV/AIDS prevention materials and meet many more community needs. The Midwest City Library will participate in the day of service. To participate, please register at 405-732-4828 or contact the Information Desk.

Chess Club

Apr 24 | Sat | 11:30a-1p and 2-5p
All ages

Anyone for Chess?

Say Yea!—Teen Writing Workshop

Apr 25 | Sun | 3-5p
Teens ages 10-16



Teens

Teens, have you ever wanted to have your creative writings published? If so, come join

us at our writing workshop for pre-teens and teens ages 10 to 16! You will meet and work with local published teen authors, Natasha Bradley and Jasmine Bradley as they share their secrets with you as to how they wrote their book debut: "Jessika's Diaries: Life's Not Fair." All attendees will have the chance to have their poetry and short stories published! Registration is required. For more information and registration, please visit the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Co-sponsor: On the Ball Publishing.

Toddler Aerobics

Apr 26 | Mon | 10-10:30a
and 11-11:30a
Ages 2-5 with parent



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

Investing Wisely

Apr 26 | Mon | 6:30-8:30p
Adults

Learn how to recognize high quality stocks and their positive impact upon your portfolio. See a demonstration on how to objectively calculate, buy and sell prices. Discover the educational opportunities offered by investment clubs; and much more. This program is free and open to the public. To attend please call 405-732-4828 or register at the Information Desk.

UCanGo2!

Apr 28 | Wed | 6:30-7:30p
All ages

Need money for college? Come see the FAFSA in action! Learn about the financial aid process including applying for grants and scholarships, understanding financial aid lingo and filling out the FAFSA online. Ask questions and get answers from the experts at the Oklahoma Guaranteed Student Loan Program (OGSLP), the state-designated student loan guarantor. Program is free; food provided. To attend please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

Nicoma Park Library

2240 Overholser, Nicoma Park
(405) 769-9452

HOURS

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



International Women's Aglow of Choctaw Apr 10 | Sat | 9:40a-Noon Adults

The interdenominational International Women's Aglow of Choctaw meets every second Saturday. Inspirational speakers, fellowship and refreshments. For more information, please call: 371-7316 or 677-8909.

Are You Prepared? For the Next Ice Storm, Fire, Tornado?

Apr 14 | Wed | 1-2p
All ages

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Children Reading to Dogs

Apr 15,22 | Thur
3:30-4:30p
Ages 4 and older



Children improve their reading skill by reading to D'Leo and his owner who are trained and certified as a therapy team by Therapy Dogs International. For more information call the library at 769-9452.



*How do we know what we know
about Russia, and how did we learn it?*

Pavel Tribunsky, Russian Historian, Speaks

Prof. Tribunsky's lecture on the role played by Russian émigré's in shaping western perceptions of Russian history will be illustrated by rare historical film footage.

Sunday, April 18, 2010 ~ 2 – 3pm
Downtown Library, 300 Park Avenue, Oklahoma City

The lecture is for adults and is free and open to the public.

Co-Sponsor: OSU Dept of Foreign Languages and Russian Club



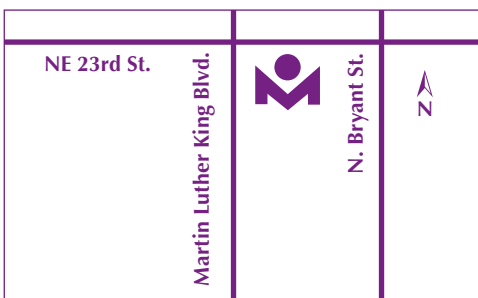
Ralph Ellison Library

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

HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-8
Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed



National Poetry Month Poetry Contest Apr 1-30

All ages

Let your hidden poet shine in our month-long poetry contest. Drop off your typed entries any time during April at the Information Desk. One top prize will be awarded in each of the following categories: children ages 0-13, teens 14-18, adults 19 and older.

Anime/Manga/Gaming Club

Apr 1,15,29 | Thur
3-4:30p
Teens



Do you like to watch anime, play video games or talk about manga? Come to the Anime/Manga/Gaming Club for all that plus food

and role playing games. Movies and games may be rated T for Teen or contain material appropriate for ages 14 and up.

Gaming Dayz

Apr 5,19 | Mon | 3-4:30p
Teens



Bored? Come to the library and play some super awesome board games! Challenge your friends to a game of Jenga, Monopoly, Twister and so much more.

Teen Advisory Board

Apr 7 | Wed | 4-5p
Teens



Do you want to help plan teen programs, talk about books and get volunteer hours? The Teen Advisory Board is a group of teens in grades 7-12 dedicated to making the library an awesome place for teens. Call (405) 424-1437 for more info. (Teens)

Toastmasters

Apr 7,14,21,28 | Wed | 6-7p
Adults

Toastmasters International provides a way to practice & hone the communication & leadership skills of its members.

Are You Prepared? For the Next Ice Storm, Fire, Tornado?

Apr 8 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p
All ages

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discusses what you need to do to be ready for a disaster. Co-sponsor: American Red Cross of Central Oklahoma.

Preschool Story Time

Apr 13,27 | Tue | 10-10:30a
Ages 3-5



For all children ages 3-5, join us for story time. There will be songs, fingerplays, puppets, occasional crafts and special stories. Please preregister, or call 414-1437.

Teen Crafts

Apr 13 | Tue | 5-7p
Teens



Do you want to make awesome crafts for free? Example crafts include Mardi Gras masks, origami and decorate-your-own flip flops.

Teen Book Club Informational Meeting

Apr 15 | Thur | 5-6p
Teens



Teens, do you like to read books? Wanna talk about what you read? If so, come to the new Teen Book Club. We have free food, fun and so much more!! Co-sponsor: Yadah Yadah Ready to Read Book Club.

Trip Around the World

Apr 17 | Sat | 10-11:30a
Grades 3-6

Don't miss this exciting opportunity to travel the globe right in your very own local library. This innovative and hands-on experience for children in grades three through six is sponsored by the Junior League of Oklahoma

City. Kids will have a great time learning about the different cultures in Asia, Africa and Latin America. The program is free, but space is limited so pre-register at the Information Desk. Co-sponsor: Junior League of OKC.

Spoken Word Performance

Apr 17 | Sat | 3-4:30p

All Ages

Come to the library and get down with some awesome spoken word artists. Got something to say?? Step up to the mic and let your voice be heard!

Society of Urban Poets - Open Mic Poetry

Apr 26 | Mon | 6:30-7:30p

All Ages

Let your voice be heard! Poets are invited to read their original poetry at the Society of Urban Poets' monthly open mic sessions. Refreshments will be served. Admission is always free. Co-sponsor: Society of Urban Poets.

Southern Oaks Library

6900 S. Walker, OKC
(405) 631-4468

HOURS

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



Free Tax Help: AARP

Apr 1,8,15 | Thur | 9a-2:30p

Apr 7,14 | Wed | 9a-2:30p

Adults

AARP trained volunteers will assist you in preparing your 2009 state and federal tax returns, on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9am-2:30pm. No appointments - first come, first served. E-filing only. Co-sponsor: AARP.

Score Small Business Counseling

Apr 2,16 | Fri | 10a-1p

Adults

If you are interested in starting a new business or are a business owner in need of assistance, counseling is available the first and third Friday of the month. The service of Retired Executives (SCORE) will offer free confidential assistance for potential small business owners. Call 631-4468 for

more information or sign up at the Reference Desk. Co-sponsor: Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE).

Preschool Story Time

Apr 5,12,19,26 | Mon

10:30-11:10a

Children ages 2-6 with parent/caregiver

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



GED

Apr 5,7,12,14,19,21,26,28

Mon & Wed | 3-6p

Age 16 & older

Attend free GED classes on Mondays and Wednesdays at the Southern Oaks Library. Review English, social studies, science and math skills in preparation for the GED test. Materials are provided. Students are encouraged to use the Learning Express ONLINE practice test database at the library or from home, www.metrolibrary.org. Attend any Monday or Wednesday class to enroll. Call 631-4468 for more information. Co-Sponsor: Oklahoma City Adult Learning Center.



Homework Help

Apr 6,13,20,27 | Tue | 4-6p

Grades 1-5

High school and college students will be available to answer questions or read with young people. Call 631-4468 to pre-register.

Speech and Language Disorders

Apr 9 | Fri | 10-11:30a

For parents and caregivers of children 12 mos-5 yrs

Many parents have questions or concerns about the way their child speaks or how well they understand. How do you know if your child's speech or language skills are developing within normal limits? This workshop will present information on normal language development and how to recognize when you should seek help from a Speech Pathologist. Call Child Guidance at 425-4412 to register. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.



Southern Oaks Book Club

Apr 13 | Tue | 11:30a-12:30p

Adults

If you enjoy reading and discussing books, come to the Southern Oaks Library the second Tuesday of each month for our book club. New members are always welcome. Call 631-4468 to reserve your copy of the current book selection.

Piano Masterworks for Everyone

Apr 13 | Tue | 1-2p

All ages

Pianist Wayne McEvilly provides an up close and personal experience of the music and lives of Mozart, Bach, Chopin, Beethoven and a history of the piano. During his performance he encourages everyone to recognize their own ability to be natural musicians by listening. He emphasizes how listening to the music of Mozart or Bach can improve concentration for reading, studying and creative work. Music includes some old favorites. Recommended for all ages.



Anime Club

Apr 14 | Wed | 6:30-8:30p

Teens 14 and older

The Scarlet Kitsune Anime Club will be screening FUNimation screening reels, feature films and other anime titles. Call 631-4468 for more information. Snacks will be provided



Book Adventure: Kids' Book Club

Apr 15 | Thur | 4:30-5:30p

Ages 6-9

Join us for a book adventure! Meet with kids your age to discuss a great book. We will have a snack and make a craft or play a game. Call the library to find out what book to read this month. Some copies of the book are available at the Information Desk. Please read the book before attending the program. Sign-up is required. Call 631-4468 or visit the Information Desk

TBA Improv

Apr 19 | Mon | 7-8p

All ages

The TBA improv group will perform their special brand of hijinx. Call 631-4468 for more details or to pre-register. Free Hot Dogs! Co-sponsor: TBA Improv.

Parachute Play

Apr 23 | Fri | 10:30-11a

Ages 3-6 w/parent

Playing games with a parachute, children will have the opportunity to practice such skills as following directions, socializing with others, using language, using small and large muscles, and remaining in control during very active play. Class size is limited to 20. Call 425-4412 to preregister. Facilitated by Cheryl Custer and Tracy Goebel. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City County Health Dept.




The Village Library

10307 N. Pennsylvania Ave., The Village
(405) 755-0710

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed

N. Hefner Rd.	
Vineyard Blvd.	
N. Britton Rd.	N. Pennsylvania Ave.

Music With Susan

Apr 1 | Thur | 10-10:30a
Ages 2-6

Join Susan for musical fun & activities. Pre-register by calling 755-0710 or stop by the Information Desk.



Children Reading to Dogs

Apr 1,8,15,22,29 | Thur | 4-5p
Apr 7,14,21,28 | Wed 6:15-7p

Children who can read

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



AARP Free Tax Help

Apr 3,10 | Sat | 10a-3p
Apr 6,13 | Tue | 10a-3p
Apr 7,14 | Wed | 10a-3p
Adults

AARP volunteers help people do their taxes with electronic filing 10 am - 3 pm. First come, first served. Co-sponsor: AARP.

Introduction to Microsoft Excel

Apr 5,12,19,26 | Mon 6:30-8:30p
Adults

Free individualized instruction in Microsoft Excel. Learn to create workbooks and spreadsheets, use formulas and functions, format data, create charts, and more. Scheduled in 30 minute to one hour sessions per individual. Come in or call to reserve your instruction time. Village Library (405) 755-0710.



Parent Talk

Apr 6 | Tue | 1-5p
Infants to age 5 w/parent

Sessions include discussion about the normal



range of early development as well as any parenting questions you may have in the areas of speech, language, development, and behavior. Children do not have to be present at session. Individual appointment times are 40-45 minutes in length. Please call 425-4412 to schedule an appointment. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Tuning in to Temperament

Apr 6 | Tue | 6-7:30p
For parents and caregivers of young children

This workshop will explore three temperament styles—flexible, spirited, and cautious. Learn how these differences play an important role as infants and young children relate to their world and how you can adjust your parenting styles to accommodate your child's temperament. Facilitated by Sarita Naegeli. Call 425-4412 to preregister. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.



Healthy Life Styles

Apr 6,13,27 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p
Adults

Free weight loss and diabetes prevention classes—participants will learn how to prevent or delay the onset of diabetes. Also, participants will be encouraged to lose 5% of their body weight and become active at least 2 1/2 hours per week. Register when you come to the class. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Parachute Play

Apr 8,15 | Thur | 10-10:30
Ages 2-6 w/parent

Let's have some fun with parachute play! While playing games with a parachute, children will have the opportunity to practice skills such following directions, socializing with others, and using small and large muscles. Please pre-register at the Information Desk or call 755-0710.



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Apr 14 | Wed | 6:30-7:30p
All ages

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V-SIFT

Apr 15 | Thur | 4-5p
Teens

Something Interesting For Teens. Friends. Food. Fun. Anime. Games. Crafts. New activity every month! Register at the Info/Ref Desk or call 405-755-0710 for more information.



Baby Sitter Training

Apr 17 | Sat | 9a-4p
Ages 11 and up

Become a certified babysitter! Introduction to CPR and First Aid (no certification). Dress comfortably. Cost \$10 per student; lunch and other materials provided by Village. Space is limited please register at the reference desk or call 755-0710 for more info. Payment is needed to secure spot. Co-sponsor: American Red Cross.

Book Discussion Group

Apr 19 | 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.

Using Files and Folders

Apr 22 | Thur | 6:30-8p
Adults

Free class for Adults! Learn to create folders in which to save documents and photos, how to save a file into a folder, and how to move existing files into folders. Come in or call to sign up. Village Library (405) 755-0710.



Knitty Committee

Apr 24 | Sat | 10-11a
Adults

Interested in knitting or learning how to knit? Join the Knitty Committee on the 4th Saturday. Bring your yarn and join the fun.


Warr Acres Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed

N. Rockwell Ave.		N. MacArthur Blvd.
		
	N.W. 63rd St.	

Tax Assistance

Apr 2,9 | Fri | 9a-2p
Apr 5,12 | Mon | 9a-2p
Adults

Mondays and Fridays AARP will offer tax assistance to members of the community who need help in preparing their 2009 taxes. Help is

on a first-come, first-serve basis. Simple forms only. Electronic filing available.

English as a Second Language

Apr 5,7,12,14,19,21,26,28
Mon & Wed | 5:30-8p

Adults

Improve your written and spoken English in this class offered by OCCC. Class and materials are free. Enroll with the instructor at class time. Co-sponsor: OCCC.



Storytime for Preschoolers

Apr 6 | Tue

10:30-11:15a

Ages 2 1/2 to 5 years
w/adult

Children will enjoy stories and other fun activities with Miss Alma and her puppets. Older and younger siblings are welcome. Please pre-register.



Children Reading to Dogs

Apr 8 | Thur

6:30-7:30p

Ages 6 and older

Loveable dogs and their trained owners will help children develop reading skills. So grab a favorite book and enjoy a time of reading. Dogs and their owners are trained and certified as dog therapy teams by Therapy Dogs International. Please pre-register.



Spring Floral Craft Program

Apr 10 | Sat | 2-3:30p

Adults

Join Karla Richards, an Oklahoma Master Florist as she demonstrates and helps you make a spring floral craft for your home or gift giving. Please pre-register by calling 721-2616 or stop by the Reference Desk to pick up a supply list. Some supplies will be provided.

Warr Acres Book Club

Apr 12 | Mon | 11a-Noon

Adults

The Warr Acres Library Book Club meets the second Monday of each month. We will discuss Alice McDermott's novel, *After This*. The novel follows the six members of the Irish-Catholic Keane family in Vietnam War-era New York.



Baby Basics Workshop

Apr 13 | Tue | 3:30-5p

Adults

Even if this isn't your first experience of being a parent, questions may arise. Typical concerns of parents will be discussed: colic/crying, separation anxiety, sleeping through the night. We will also suggest some fun activities and ways to include your infant in

everything you do. Call 425-4412 to register. Free of charge.

Playtime for Babies and Tots

Apr 14,21,28 | Wed

9:15-10:30a and

10:30-11:15a

8 to 30 months old w/adult

Play promotes healthy development and learning, so bring your youngster to our library for 45 minutes of toys, lap games, and a story with Miss Alma and her puppets. (Siblings are welcome.) Pre-register at 721-2616.



Are You Prepared? For the Next Ice Storm, Fire, Tornado?

Apr 15 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p

All ages

When disaster happens, it's too late to make a list of what you need to have or to do. Be prepared! Join us as a representative from the American Red Cross of Central Oklahoma discusses what you need to do to be ready for a disaster. Co-sponsor: American Red Cross of Central Oklahoma.

Craft Club: Build a Boat

Apr 17 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a

Ages 6 and older

Kids will create a speed boat. Supplies are provided. Please pre-register.

Warr Acres Coffee Break

Apr 19 | Mon | 9:30-10:30a

Adults

Coffee Break meets the second Monday of each month at 9:30. Join us for light refreshments and conversation.

Music Play with Ms. Susan

Apr 20 | Thur | 10:30-11a

Ages 2 1/2 - 5

Bring your preschooler for a fun musical time of learning with Ms. Susan. Please pre-register by calling 721-2616.



Ice Cream Social

Apr 24 | Sat | 2-3p

Ages 12-18

Sweet treats...let's eat! Games and fun for everyone! Ice cream while supplies last. Please call ahead to let us know you're coming call 721-2616.



Teens

Pajama Story Time for Preschoolers

Apr 29 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p

Ages 2 1/2 - 5

Children and parents will enjoy a time of bilingual stories and snacks with Miss Alma and her puppets. Special guest will be Rojo. Please pre-register.



Wright Library

2101 Exchange, OKC
(405) 235-5035

HOURS

Tue-Thur: 10-5:30 Mon & Sun: Closed
Fri & Sat: 10-3

S. Agnew Ave.		S. Rockwood Ave.	S. Penn Ave.
	Exchange Ave.		
	S.W. 15th St.		

Genealogy with Margaret Graham

Apr 10,24 | Sat | 10:30a-Noon

Adults

Instructions on how to research and preserve your family heritage.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Easter Libraries Closed						
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

Off the Beaten Path

... Discovering New Literary Treasures

Getting tired of a constant diet of best sellers and book club hype? Want to take a look at what librarians read? Here are two favorite books as selected by MLS staff.

Hargrave, John. *Mischief Maker's Manual*.
817/H2793m

Whether or not there's nothing like a good practical joke depends on whether you're the joker or the jokee. If you want to get there first in the former category, take a look at this one, which is so pleased with itself it informs you that "This book is so awesome it is illegal in 13 states." I'd tell you if Oklahoma is one of the states, but you'd just think I was pulling your leg.

Todd, Charlie and Alex Scordelis. *Causing a Scene: Extraordinary Pranks in Ordinary Places with Improv Everywhere*.
817/T6337c

Improv Everywhere is a group of zanies who combine the art of improvisation with the even finer art of practical joking. This is the group that sent 80 people wearing blue shirts and khakis into a Best Buy store and made the customers go insane trying to find a real sales clerk. This one is for the inner prankster in all of us. Well, most of us.



We're here to serve you.

MLS LIBRARIES

	M	T	W	TH	F	S	S
BELLE ISLE 5501 N. Villa, OKC, 843-9601	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
BETHANY 3510 N. Mueller, Bethany, 789-8363	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	—
CAPITOL HILL 334 S.W. 26th, OKC, 634-6308	9-8	9-8	9-8	9-8	9-6	9-5	—
CHOCTAW 2525 Muzzy Street, Choctaw, 390-8418	9-8	9-8	9-8	9-8	9-6	9-5	—
DEL CITY 4509 S.E. 15th, Del City, 672-1377	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	—
DOWNTOWN 300 Park Ave., OKC, 231-8650	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
EDMOND 10 S. Boulevard, Edmond, 341-9282	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
MIDWEST CITY 8143 E. Reno, MWC, 732-4828	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
RALPH ELLISON 2000 N.E. 23rd, OKC, 424-1437	9-8	9-8	9-8	9-8	9-6	9-5	—
SOUTHERN OAKS 6900 S. Walker, OKC, 631-4468	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
THE VILLAGE 10307 N. Pennsylvania Avenue, The Village, 755-0710	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	—
WARR ACRES 5901 N.W. 63rd, Warr Acres, 721-2616	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	—

MLS EXTENSION LIBRARIES*

	M	T	W	TH	F	S	S
*HARRAH 1930 N. Church Avenue, Harrah, 454-2001	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9-5	9-5	—
*JONES 111 E. Main, Jones, 399-5471	—	9:30-5:30	—	9:30-5:30	—	1-5	—
*LUTHER 310 N.E. 3rd, Luther, 277-9967	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9-5	9-5	—
*NICOMA PARK 2240 Overholser, Nicoma Park, 769-9452	—	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9-5	9-5	—
*WRIGHT 2101 Exchange, OKC, 235-5035	—	10-5:30	10-5:30	10-5:30	10-3	10-3	—

*Extensions close daily for lunch from 12:30-1 p.m. — except Wright Library, which closes 1-1:30 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday.