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We still have a month of Summer at the Library to go. Kids and teens are reaching their Reading Goals and your Metropolitan Library System has lots of prizes left for Summer Readers to earn, including that good-as-gold voucher for tickets to see the Aug. 5 game at the Brick between our fantastic Oklahoma Redhawks and the lowly Tucson Sidewinders. We should crush ‘em. It’ll be great.

Library Night at the Ballpark is the annual homerun that ends Summer Reading, and participants in the programs won’t want to miss it. With a month of Summer at the Library still to go there’s plenty of time for kids and teens to reach their reading goals and treat their families to a free game at the Brick.

Nothing compares to a night out at the ballpark, so rub a little dirt on your hands, dig your cleats into the ground, lift that bat off your shoulder and get ready to –

— Swing!





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Oklahoma Images

TO SERVE AND PROJECT

by Larry Johnson



Regime change...it's not always a bad thing.

In 1948, the Oklahoma City Libraries said goodbye to Mabel Peacock, who was stepping down after 28 years at the helm. She had seen the Library through a world war and a depression and had done well with the limited resources available to her.

Clarence Paine, a whippersnapper of a Head Librarian at 38, subsequently ushered in a new era of library services. Paine's vision was laid out in a simple statement: "People shouldn't have the idea that the library is a moldy, dead, too-quiet place."

Clarence Paine's library soon became a hive of activity. The Boys' and Girls' Department was established and was soon "abuzz with fun" for the youngsters. A lecture series began featuring area "perfessers" and assorted eggheads. Book clubs were established, including the very popular Great Books series based on a national curriculum. And the immensely popular Community Workshop was begun as a partnership with the Junior League.

But what about those folks who couldn't make it into the library? Again drawing on its community partners, Oklahoma City Libraries began offering *projected books*.

Projected books weren't books in the planning stages, but rather microfilmed books which were literally projected onto the ceiling for invalids who were physically unable to sit up or who lacked the strength even to hold a book and turn the pages. A click of a button allowed readers to turn the page. Unfortunately, at \$187 each, the projectors for this service were quite pricey even by today's standards. The local chapter of the Soroptimist Club (a businesswomen's civic group) purchased ten machines for the Library and the Junior League handed over the keys to a brand-new utility truck, affectionately dubbed Mobile Unit No. 1, to deliver the machines and films to shut-ins.



The projected books were very popular among their intended audience as they helped combat the boredom and alienation associated with being laid up in a neck brace or full-body cast, and other maladies. Mobile librarians made weekly visits to borrowers to drop off and pick up book films and brought back some interesting stories. One boy learned to read by lying in bed with his hip-fractured father as he scrolled through projected books. A high school student was able to graduate on time after librarians worked with his teachers to film his textbooks. And one librarian received a call that an immobilized auto accident victim couldn't read her projected books because of the glare from the glossy paint job on her ceiling. The librarian quickly cut a brown paper square and drove to the patron's home where she hopped on a kitchen chair and taped the improvised screen to the ceiling. Now that's service!

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2008 Neighborhood Arts Schedule



Visit our website at www.metrolibrary.org
(click on Calendar of Events), or call your
local library for a complete listing of
summer events.

Please call regarding pre-registration before attending any event.



Neighborhood Arts at the Library

Date:

June 2-6
June 9-13
June 16-20
June 23-27
June 30-July 3
July 7-11
July 14-18
July 21-25

Performers:

Lucky Penny Players
Lucky Penny Players
Joe Hayes
Rhythmically Speaking
Adam Ledbetter
Sugar Free All Stars
Al Bostick
Big Magic Book

Program:

The Clueless Bug
The Grumpy Ladybug
Story Fiesta!
Antoinette and Cicada
Honeypawsw
Get Ready to Grooove!!!!
Anansi the Spider Bugs the Larger Animals
Big Magic Book Bugventure

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Ralph Ellison
June 2 & 9
9:30 & 10:30am
June 16-July 21
10:30am
Capitol Hill
1pm
Midwest City
3pm

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Bethany
9:30 & 10:30am
Downtown
1pm
Southern Oaks
3pm

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Del City
10am
Warr Acres
June 4 & 11
2:30 & 3:30pm
June 18-July 23
2:30pm

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Edmond
9:30 & 10:30am
Village
1pm
Belle Isle
3pm

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Harrah
10am
Choctaw
1pm
Nicoma Park
3pm



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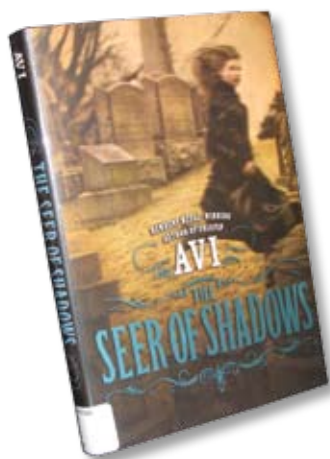
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ON THE SHELF

The Seer of Shadows

by Avi

Reviewed by Lisa Bradley



It is 1872 in New York City. A fourteen-year old boy, Horace Carpentine is apprenticed to photographer, Enoch Middleditch, who is hampered in his business by laziness. His apprentice assumes much of the work when there is work to be found. Horace's father believed in science and that everything had a rational explanation. Horace naturally believed this too. His father chose photography for Horace because it was "real"--a science which required knowledge of mechanics, chemistry and physics. At that time, few knew how photographs were actually made.

Enter Pegg, a young black servant girl who is looking for a photographer for her wealthy mistress grieving the loss of her young daughter, Eleanora. Mrs. Von Macht commissions Middleditch to photograph her in her home so she can place the

photo on her daughter's tomb to calm Eleanora's restless spirit. Looking for a way to make a name for himself, Middleditch hatches a plan to use Horace to place a 'ghostly' image of Eleanora into the photograph of Mrs. Von Macht.

Meanwhile, Pegg reveals tantalizing clues to Horace about Eleanora and her family. Soon, strange things begin to occur. Why do Mr. and Mrs. Von Macht appear so distressed? Is it because of their daughter's death? Or has Eleanora returned? Read *The Seer of Shadows* if you enjoy a good ghost story.

Lisa Bradley is a reference librarian at the Downtown Library. She's an avid reader, gardener, genealogist, and quilter, and is currently fixing up her house by stripping the wallpaper and painting. She'd rather be holding a book than a paintbrush.

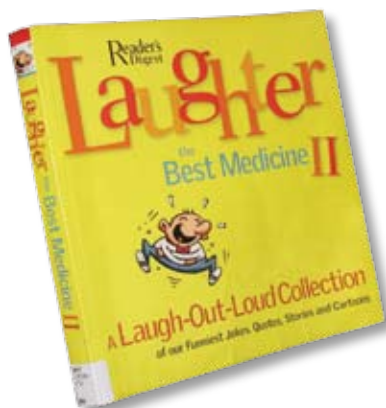
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ON THE SHELF

Laughter the Best Medicine II

Reader's Digest

Reviewed by Phyllis Davidson



If someone asked me what I like best about Reader's Digest, would I say, "Oh, I love the wonderful, inspiring articles?" No! I'd have to be honest and say, I love the jokes. That's why I read *Laughter, The Best Medicine II*. It gave me 270 pages of stuff to laugh at.

Each chapter is a collection of the best jokes or stories from the monthly humor sections. Two of my favorites were "All in a Day's Work" and "Humor in Uniform," but maybe you'll prefer "A Kid's World" or "Last Laughs." I also enjoyed the chapter entitled "Word Play," and here's a sample: "Why did the cowboy buy a dachshund? Someone told him to get a long little doggy." Ho ho ho! Will Rogers would have loved that.

If you have reluctant readers at home, this might be just the kind of high-falutin' literature that will

tempt them to crack open a book. They can learn a lot about the three stages of man from the cartoon drawing of a boy with pants drooping below his hips, a man with pants belted at waist, and grandpa with pants belted under his armpits.

Now that science has discovered humor is good for what ails us, we have a good excuse for reading what might previously have been considered frivolous fluff. There may be one drawback, though. According to a quote by Jimmy Buffett on page 130, "Wrinkles only go where the smiles have been."

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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ON THE SHELF

La Vie En Rose (Life in Pink): The Extraordinary Life of Edith Piaf

French with English subtitles

Reviewed by Christine Bassett



The life of Edith Gassion, nicknamed Edith Piaf or The Little Sparrow, because of both her small stature of 4'8" and powerful singing voice, is told in "one of the best biopics I've seen" according to movie critic Roger Ebert.

Piaf was one of France's most famous and beloved singers of the 20th century. Her life was full of joys and heartbreaks and both are recounted with poignancy in this film. Marion Cotillard gives an unforgettable Academy Award winning performance as Edith, playing her both as a young girl and as a frail dying woman. In spite of her life's

tragedies, Piaf is able to say in the film's final song *Non, Je Ne Regrette Rien* (No, I Regret Nothing) because she was able to see the ups and downs of her life through rose colored spectacles or to see *La Vie En Rose*.

This was a very enjoyable movie and you'll all be singing *Je ne regrette rien* after you watch it!

Christine Bassett has worked for the MLS for nearly 10 years. She currently works as a reference librarian at Belle Isle and is a volunteer community literacy tutor in her spare time.

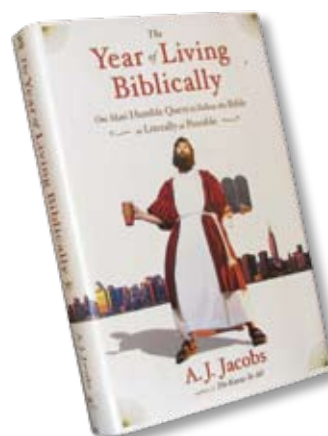
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ON THE SHELF

The Year of Living Biblically: One Man's Humble Quest to Follow the Bible as Literally as Possible

by A.J. Jacobs

Reviewed by Jana Hausburg



"Even with pebbles, it is surprisingly hard to stone people. My plan had been to walk nonchalantly past the Sabbath violator and chuck the pebbles at the small of his back. But after a couple of failed passes, I realized it was a bad idea. A chucked pebble, no matter how small, does not go unnoticed."

Many of us here in the Bible Belt are well versed in Biblical instruction. Growing up the daughter of a preacher man, winner of multiple Bible quizzing trophies, and performer in countless Nativity plays, I'm still more comfortable with the New Testament than the Old Testament. So I'm always willing to learn more.

One thing I learned from reading Jacobs' entertaining exploration of Biblical complexities is that there are a lot of rules. A lot. Many of them, like the 10 Commandments, make sense. Others are a little strange, like the command to break the neck of a cow when coming upon the site of an unsolved murder (Deuteronomy 21:4).

Jacobs begins his spiritual journey as the product of a secular upbringing and finds, to his surprise, that he is a different person at the end of the year. He's more tolerant, more aware of the way he treats people, more thankful. He also discovers that, with more than 700 rules listed in the Bible, everyone participates in what is called "Cafeteria Christianity" -- picking and choosing parts of the Bible to live by. For example, if you eat shrimp, wear clothing that mixes two types of fibers, or shave the edges of your beard, you've broken three rules. And there are so many more that can be broken!

Funny, respectful, and thought-provoking, Jacobs pens a memoir I'd recommend to anyone interested in looking into the nuances of the sacred Christian texts.

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.



Reviews & Recommendations

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ON THE SHELF

The Mysterious Benedict Society

by Trenton Lee Stewart

Reviewed by Terrie Thomas



"Are you a gifted child looking for special opportunities?"

When an odd advertisement appears in a newspaper, it draws the attention of a variety of bright and talented children who must pass a series of tests – of the sneaky behavioral and the knowledge-based varieties. Only four pass. Then, with little training, and no knowledge of what they are up against, they are placed on an island that is home to the Learning Institute for the Very Enlightened. The LIVE institute (EVIL spelled backwards) is believed to be the source of a series of hidden messages transmitted over the airwaves,

and creating a general panic. The children must find out who is behind this evil scheme, how it works, and attempt to shut down the operation before the plot's architect can take over the world – and time is running out!

Whether you are an inquisitive teen looking for a fast-paced read, or an adult in need of something fun, *The Mysterious Benedict Society* may be for you.

Terrie Thomas is a reference librarian at Belle Isle. She has a passion for journaling and being outdoors, plus enjoys volunteering at Skyline Urban Ministry. Her cats like it when she reads and knits.

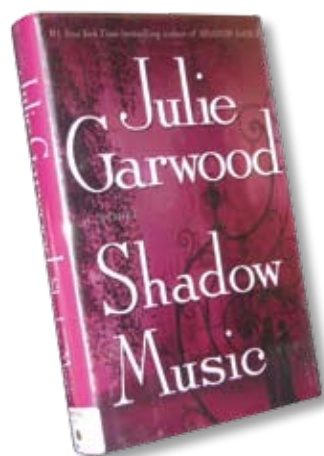
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ON THE SHELF

Shadow Music

by Julie Garwood

Reviewed by Ursula Ward



Julie Garwood has always been a good romantic story teller. Reading her books is like eating a good comfort meal. I feel like I am listening to an old friend retelling one of her favorite fairy tales. It is a good relaxing tonic for incurable romantics.

In *Shadow Music*, the story is set back in medieval Scotland. It is basically about two competitive barons courting the same beautiful princess. Princess Gabrielle holds the key to an ancient buried treasure.

The twist of the plot is that both barons are willing to destroy the princess for her wealth. As in most modern fairy tales, the heroine is both brave and resourceful when she faces any danger. Wicked pretender King John uses Princess Gabrielle to settle a feud between two Scottish Laids.

A clan war is threatened when the princess' fiancé is killed the day before her wedding. Gabrielle is banished for being unfaithful. She is

forced to accept the protection of the MacHugh clan. The clan's Laird reluctantly gives his protection because of family obligations.

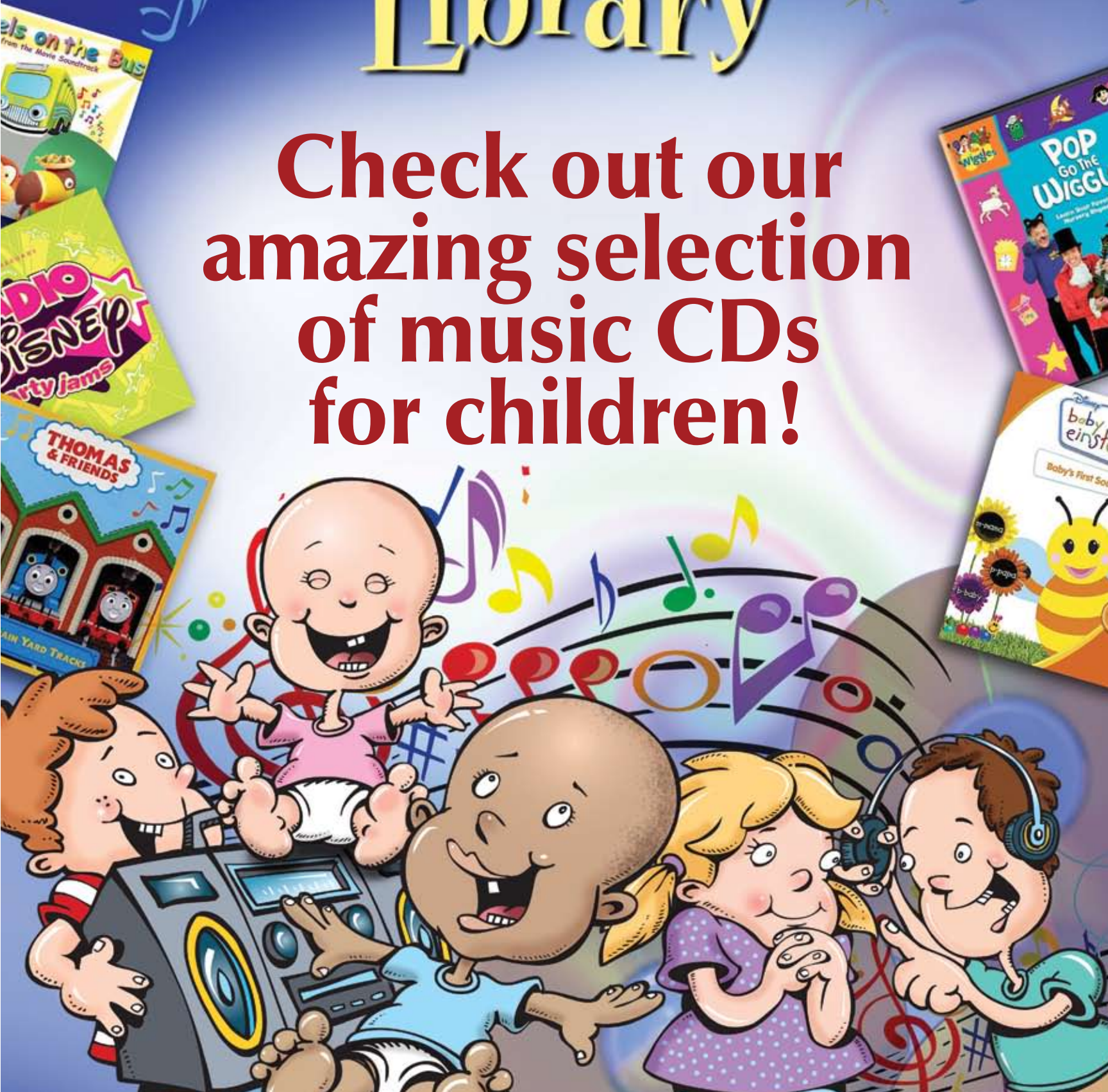
In spite of all the troubles the princess brings to his clan, Laird Colm is strongly attracted to her. Strong dislike soon evolves into strong love between Gabrielle and Colm as the story develops. The hero captures her heart in the end of this romantic tale.

This is a lighthearted "purple passion" novel. The characters are predictable and there is no depth to any of them. The novel contains more romance than sex. It is basically a clean, fast paced romance. I would recommend this book to mature readers with fun and romance in their hearts.

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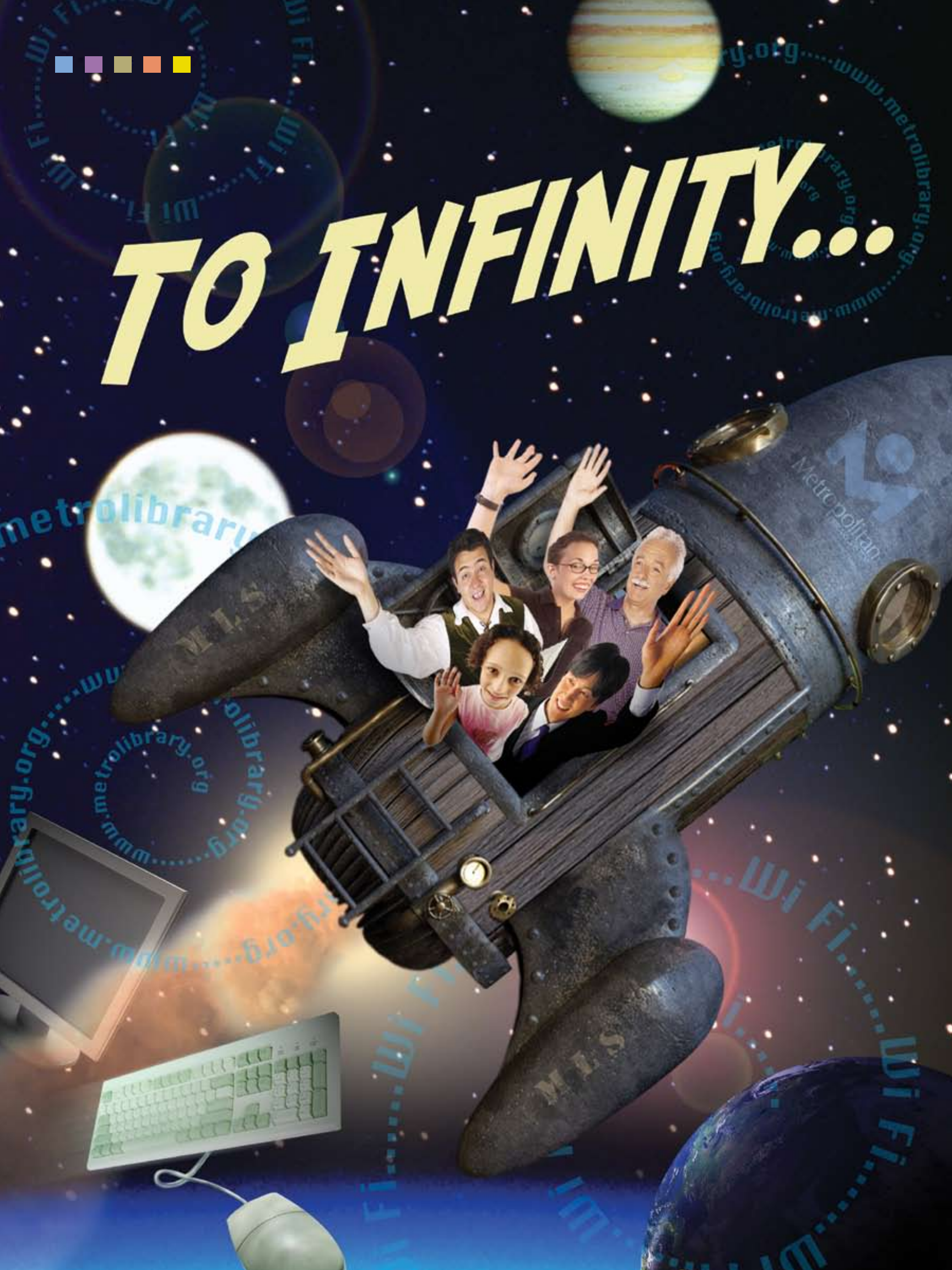
Children's Music *at the* Library

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of music CDs
for children!**





TO INFINITY...





AND BEYOND!

Are you old enough to remember the mid-1960s TV show *Lost in Space*? It was about a family of American astronauts who were, well, lost in space. There was a robot on the show, voiced by actor Dick Tufeld, who gave us two expressions that entered the language: “Danger, Will Robinson! Danger!” and “That does not compute.”

Too bad the Robinsons didn’t have access to your Metropolitan Library System on the barren rock on which they drifted for three seasons. We couldn’t have helped young Will escape the machinations of the villainous Dr. Smith, but we have all kinds of free computer access. We compute.

We’ve already told you about the wide variety of databases you can access through our website, www.metrolibrary.org, and you probably already know about the world of websites you can reach with the push of a few buttons. The online potential for life-enhancement is greater now than anything the worlds of education and entertainment have seen since Constantin Perskyi coined the word “television” in 1900.

You can access MLS databases from your home computer, on any of the public access computers in every one of our libraries, or on the road if your

laptop is WiFi (wireless) equipped. All our libraries are set up for WiFi usage as well, so bring your laptop with you the next time you visit one of our libraries, and get to work!

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Now some of you are sighing that you don’t know anything about computers, not even enough to sign up for a free email account or search for the most basic information, and it’s for that reason that we offer one of most popular services. MLS will not only let you use a computer, but we’ll also teach you how.

At the Edmond Library, Tech Assistant Eddie Watts teaches a weekly series called “Computer Instruction With Eddie.” It’s fun and Eddie won’t

let you go without be sure that you know how to use that magic box at least to its basic potential. Libraries all over the MLS offer computer instruction. In July, The Village Library is offering a class called “Introduction to Microsoft Excel,” which is the program you’ll turn to for formatting spread sheets. Just for fun, on July 19 you can take a course called “Using Photos With Computers.”

The Del City Library and the Ralph Ellison Library have courses in “Basic Computer” instruction that meet weekly. Look on the back cover of this issue of *info* for a list of all our libraries and their phone numbers. Give the one that’s closest to you a call to find out when the next computer class begins.

Computer access is an extension of what is available every day at your neighborhood library, and the Internet offers a wealth of information that is constantly updated and modified. MLS strives to provide reasonable safety for all customers by providing filtered Internet access for all library computers, as well as for those using our WiFi server on their own laptops.

MLS may not be able to prevent you from getting Lost in Space, but with our computer services and instruction on how to use them, we can keep you from becoming Lost in Cyberspace.

Three . . . two . . . one . . . Lift off!



Time Is On On Your Side

As the Roman poet Virgil wrote, more or less: “tempus fugit”—time flies. We say commonly, “Time flies when you’re having fun.” Kermit the Frog said, “Time’s fun when you’re having flies,” and that makes the most sense of all.



Well, we must be having fun in the libraries this summer because here we are right in the middle of our Summer at the Library programs and it seems as though we just started.

Summer at the Library began on June 1. Kids and teens came in, signed up, and began receiving prizes right away. As they reach their reading goals, they earn even more prizes, and the more goals they reach, the better chance they'll have of getting some big prizes at the end.

But don't fret if you haven't signed up yet. There's plenty of time before the program concludes at the end of July so kids and teens can still enroll and start earning those prizes!

Summer at the Library has always been about more than winning stuff. The busiest part of our summer, and the most fun, is the parade of great events and activities at each of our libraries. A bonus this year is the number of events this month that emphasize the cultural diversity of Oklahoma City. From Native American Art to African folk tales about Anansi the Spider, we've got a little bit of everything for you in July.

Everyone can learn about the ancient art of origami, folding paper into unique shapes. Artist Mae Erb will show young ones at the Wright, Jones and Luther libraries how origami works, and tell them a special story as well. And at The Village Library on

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July 10, you can learn about manga, the art of Japanese comics. There will be interactive lessons on design, anatomy, and coloring. The instructor will talk with participants one on one about character design and how to improve

their skills as an artist. Pre-registration is necessary for this event so call the library Information Desk at 755-0710.

What else have we got going on in July? There are two good ways to find out. You can take a look at the Calendar of Events on our webpage, www.metrolibrary.org, or you can browse through the Calendar in this issue of *info*.

And if you're already an attendee of library events, just ask the staff about what's coming up soon. They'll be more than happy to let you know.

So as the Rolling Stones sang, time is on your side. And so are we. Enroll your kids in Summer at the Library and then spend a little time with us. You won't be sorry.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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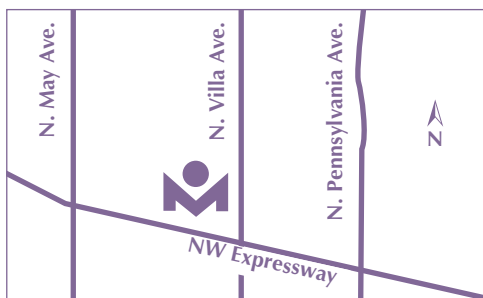
All MLS libraries will be closed Friday, July 4.

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



Adam Leadbetter Presents:

Honeypaws

July 3 | Thur | 3p

All Ages



In this re-adaptation of the classic children's story *The Three Bears*, Mama, Papa and Baby Bear are in a family band called The Honeypaws and are enjoying local success. Their rival group Gold Deluxe becomes envious and tries to sabotage the Honeypaws. When the Honeypaws find this out they decide to teach Gold Deluxe a lesson that everyone can benefit from. A fresh take on an old classic. Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, & The National Endowment for the Arts.

Child Guidance Consultation

July 8 | Tue | 9:30a-4:30p

Ages Birth-5 years



Child Guidance Consultation appointments in the library are provided by Child Guidance Services, Oklahoma City-County health Department, free of charge. Each child must have a parent or legal guardian with them. Sessions include discussion about normal range of early development and any parenting questions you may have in regard to your child. By

appointment only. Call 425-4412. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City County Health Department.

Winning at Parenting

July 8,15,22 | Tue | 5:30-7p

Adults



Would you like your child to grow up to be responsible, resourceful and a caring individual? Then attend this video-based class that will show you how to parent with wit and wisdom. Winning at Parenting is from the series "Kids are worth it!" by Barbara Coloroso. For parents/caregivers of children 12 and younger. Facilitated by Katherine Broekhuysen. Call 425-4390 to enroll Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Sugar Free Allstars presents:

Get Ready to Groove!!

July 10 | Thur | 3p

All Ages



What do you get when you mix groovy organ, funky drums, and fun songs for kids? The Sugar Free Allstars, that's what! This two-piece band plays songs from their kid's album, "Dos Ninos", about kitty cats, petting zoos, banana pudding, and bath time that will make you want to clap and sing along with every word. Their shows are full of body-movin' beats and entertaining crowd participation that gets everyone involved in the party. "Dos Ninos", made it into the Fids and Kamily's top 15 "Best Music of 2007 for Kids and Families" awards list and includes the XMKiDs (XM radio channel 116) #1 hit, "Bathtub Boy". Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, & National Endowment for the Arts.

Junk Sculpture With

Bryan Dahlvang

July 16 | Wed | 2-3p

Teens



Stop! Don't throw away that candy wrapper/banana peel/soda can! Turn trash into treasure as Bryan shows you how to make a work of art. Junk is provided, but feel free to

bring your own if you want to personalize your art. Pre-register.

Al Bostick Presents:

Anansi the Spider, Bugs the Larger Animals

July 17 | Thur | 3p

All Ages



Al Bostick and Basically Bostick Productions present tales from the colorful world of the Akan. Anansi the Spider, West African Trickster of the Akan people, will tell you he is "an arachnid, I am not bug!", but he does have the ability to "bug" both humans and animals alike! Experience tales of this trickster to the beat of African drums, rhymes and rhythms. Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, & National Endowment for the Arts.

Score Small Business Counseling

July 19 | 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.

The Joy of Mozart:

An Amazing Grace

July 20 | Sun | 2-3p

All Ages



Join Wayne McEvilly, noted concert pianist, as he plays Mozart Sonatas 4 and 5. This concert is part of a series of Mozart concerts offered at several MLS locations until Oct.

Big Magic Book Presents:

BugVenture

July 24 | Thur | 3p

All Ages



Come follow Wizbang and all the puppet characters you have grown to love these past

few years on this bumpily, beepily, boopily BugVenture! Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, & National Endowment for the Arts.

Bethany Library

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

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Sun: Closed



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Music with Susan

July 9 | Wed | 10a-10:30a

Ages 3-6

Join teacher Susan Wood for fun musical activities just right for the pre-kindergarten and kindergarten child. Pre-register at the library Information Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.



Gamefest

July 10 | Thur | 2-4p

Teens

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Al Bostick Presents: Anansi the Spider, Bugs the Larger Animals

July 15 | Tue

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All Ages

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Summer Tales for Toddlers

July 16 | Wed | 10a-10:30a

Ages 2-3

Enjoy stories, songs and nursery rhymes for the very young. For child with an adult. Pre-register at the library Information Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.



The Children's Hour:

Saturday Story Time

July 19 | Sat | 10-10:30a

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.



Big Magic Book Presents:

BugVenture

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Native Art with Sydna

Yellowfish

July 24 | Thur | 2-3:30p

Ages 11-19

Look at a variety of Native art with teacher Sydna Yellowfish including beadwork, clothing and baskets, then complete a project of your own using Native designs and beading edgework. Pre-register. Sign up at the library Information Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3



Teens

Capitol Hill Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed



Make an Insect Mask

July 3 | Thur | 1-2p

Ages 6-10

Want to drive your parents buggy? Want to drive the librarians buggy? Come to the library and make an insect mask! Have you ever been face-to-face with a very large bug? Some of them have very SCARY faces! If scary faces are not your bag or bug, you can make a funny-faced bug mask. Patterns and supplies will be provided free and you can take the mask home to hang on your wall or wear at Halloween.

Sugar Free Allstars presents:

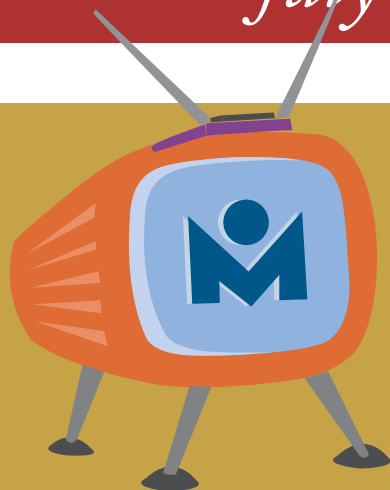
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Read About It

Discussions with Authors & Book Reviews

New Time!

Cox Channel 7 (Oklahoma City Metro area)
Saturday mornings at 10:30am

OKLAHOMA CITY— A medical thriller, werewolves and a parallel universe, and a biography of an Oklahoman who was part of the Greatest Generation, are a few of the subjects that will be featured on 'Read About It,' the cable TV show brought to you by the Metropolitan Library System. This month, hostess B.J. Williams will welcome the following guests.

July 5 Richard McCullough, native Oklahoman, will discuss *One Man in His Time: A Biography of Herbert Lorange McCullough of Tipton, Oklahoma*.

Guests and program schedules are subject to change without notice.

July 12 C.J. Lyons, pediatric ER physician, will discuss her first book, *Lifelines*.

July 19 Dian Curtis Regan, young adult author, will discuss *Cam's Quest*, a finalist for the 2008 Oklahoma Book Awards.

July 26 Rebecca York, internationally known author of romantic suspense, will discuss *Ghost Moon*.

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Make a Bug or Lizard Key Chain or Necklace

July 10 | Thur | 1-2p

Ages 6-10

Always losing your library card or forgetting to bring it to the library? Do the librarians bug you all the time because you don't have your library card? Maybe it would be easier to remember or harder to lose if it were fastened to a key chain, or maybe hanging on a necklace or lanyard you wear around your neck. All supplies are provided free and the craft project is yours to keep.

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July 14 | Mon | 1p

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Teens

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Health Care Screening for Seniors

July 16 | Wed | 10-11:30a

Seniors

A free blood pressure screening will be provided for seniors. Make your health a priority by stopping by for your free screening. Co-sponsor: OKC Clinic.

Make a Flowery, Buggy Flowerpot

July 17 | Thur | 1-2p

Ages 6-10

Make a colorful flower pot to decorate your room or to give to someone as a gift. Flowers can be made of bright pieces of construction paper or foam craft sheets. We will also add a butterfly, dragonfly, lady bug or other bug to make it more realistic and to fulfill

our bug theme for Summer Reading. All patterns and supplies are provided free and the craft is yours to keep.

Annuals and Perennials

July 19 | Sat | 2-3p

Adults

In this program, Master gardener Jo Vincent-Martin will present an informative power-point presentation on annuals and perennials. Learn about adding color to your garden, and how to grow great flowers. The presentation will also include a question and answer session.

Big Magic Book Presents:

BugVenture

July 21 | Mon | 1p

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Make Some Crafty Bugs

July 24 | Thur | 1-2p

Ages 6-10

Beady bugs, clothes pin bugs, pipe cleaner bugs. Come and make some bugs to take home with you. Use our supplies and your imagination. We will also provide a few patterns and ideas. All supplies are free.

Choctaw Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed



Lapsit Story Time

July 1,8,15,22,29 | 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

July 1,8,15,22,29 | Tue
10:30-11a

Ages 3-5 years

Come to the library for stories, songs, fingerplays, and fun. Please pre-register or call 390-8418 for more information.



The Story Teller's Club

July 1,8,15,22,29 | Tue | 2-3p

Ages 11-14

Young people aged 11 to 14 are invited to learn the art of telling stories to a group audience. Resource materials will be available for participants to check out from the library. Please pre-register. Co-sponsors: Territory Tellers and Wayword Tellers.

Child Guidance Consultation

July 7 | Mon | 9:30a-12:30p

Ages birth-5 years with
Parent/legal guardian

Free Child Guidance Consultation
Appointments for children ages birth up to 5 years. Each child must have a parent and /



or legal guardian with them. Sessions include discussion about the normal range of early development and any parenting questions you may have in regard to your child. Consultations are by appointment only and take about an hour. Pre-registration is required. Please call Child Guidance Services with City-County Health Department at 425-4412 to pre-register.

From Liquid Nitrogen to Delicious Ice Cream: Fun Science @ the Library

July 7 | Mon | 2-3p

Ages 8 and Older

Dr. Gaines B. Jackson, PhD, retired professor from Rose State College, will bring his science expertise and knowledge to Choctaw Library with a fun science demonstration. This program will delight and mesmerize young people with the world of science. Pre-registration required! Co-sponsor: Total Environmental Services, Inc.

Duct Tape Metamorphosis

July 10 | Thur | 6-7p

Teens

Calling all teens! Come by the library for a teen centered "duct tape crafts". Make exciting, useful items form duct tape to take home with you. Pre-register.



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July 11 | Fri | 1p

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Family Place: Open Play

July 12 | Sat | 10-11a

6 Months-5 Years
with Parent

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.



Fantastical World of Spiderwick

July 14 | Mon | 2-3p

Ages 9 and Older

Do you believe in faeries? Their world is closer than you think! Explore the world of fantastical faeries and other mischievous magical creatures with us. Please pre-register at 390-8418.

How to Write Your Personal and Family History

July 15 | Tue | 6-7:30p

Adults

Now is the perfect time to begin writing your personal and family history. If this seems like an overwhelming task, you may just need some help in planning and getting started. Come out and let us show you how to use timelines, lists, and photographs to jog your memory. We'll give you organizational options, writing tips and loads of encouragement to help you to commit to this worthwhile project. Phyllis Davidson, Librarian, Ronald J. Norick Library will lead this free, workshop. Call 390-8418 to register.

Mini Shrines

July 17 | Thur | 6-7p

Teens

In this open studio, Kiona will demonstrate how to create personal shrines with found objects, photographs, and other recycled bits and pieces. Bring items you would like to include or create with the materials provided. Pre-register.



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Bug Grossology

July 21 | Mon | 2-3p

Ages 5 and Older

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Wildlife Photography

Tuesday, July 29, 6:30-7:30p

Del City Library
4509 S.E. 15th

Meet award-winning wildlife photographer Kim Sullivan who has a passion to capture with her camera, elephants, hippos, leopards, lions, and tigers in their habitats of India, Nepal and Africa.

"Nothing lives in the moment like a wild animal," Kim says. "They are truly present in every moment—a lesson for us all. It is a privilege and a gift to be around them and to learn from them and ultimately to be able to share their life, dynamic, and beauty with others."

Kim will share her photography and conservation efforts at the Del City Library.

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side of the Arthropods. Have you ever eaten a bug? Learn about the bugs we eat everyday, and sample your own bug filled snack!!

Gamefest

July 24 | Thur | 6-7:30p
Teens

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Big Magic Book Presents:

BugVenture

July 25 | Fri | 1p
All Ages

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Fishing Derby

July 28 | Mon | 2-3p
All Ages

If you've "Caught the Reading Bug" come celebrate with us and fish for all kinds of "buggy prizes."

Morph Into College

July 31 | Thur | 6-7p
Ages 13-19

What does it take to become a college student? Come out and bring your questions. Representatives from area colleges are slated to be present to discuss financial information



and educational opportunities for teens. We will have light refreshments and lots of door prizes!! Pre-register.

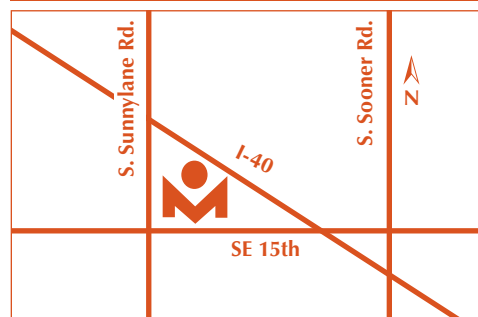
Del City Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed



Basic Computer Training

July 1,8,15 | Tue
6:30-7:30p

July 11,25 | Fri | 2-3p
All Ages

Do you need to improve your computer skills? Sam Weehunt, Del City librarian, offers basic computer training tailored to your individual needs. Sign up at the library or call 672-1377.



Adam Leadbetter Presents:

Honeypaws

July 2 | Wed | 10a
All Ages



In this re-adaptation of the classic children's story *The Three Bears*, Mama, Papa and Baby Bear are in a family band called The Honeypaws and are enjoying local success. Their rival group Gold Deluxe becomes envious and tries to sabotage the Honeypaws. When the Honeypaws find this out they decide to teach Gold Deluxe a lesson that everyone can benefit from. A fresh take on an old classic. Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, & The National Endowment for the Arts.

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Parachute Play

July 14 | Mon | 10:30-11a
Ages 1-5 years

Playing games with a parachute, children practice such skills as following directions, socializing with others, using language, using small and large muscles, and remaining in control during very active play. Call 425-4412 to pre-register. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City/County Health Department.



Preschooler Health Consultations

July 14 | Mon | 1-4p
Ages Birth-5 years with Parent/Legal Guardian

Free developmental health checks will be done by the Oklahoma City/County Health Department. Parents are encouraged to bring questions they would like to ask of professionals in the area of child development, behavioral health, and speech pathology. Each child must be accompanied by a parent and / or legal guardian. Consultations are by appointment only and take approximately 1 hour. Call 231-4412 to schedule the appointment. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.



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Necktie Art

July 16 | Wed | 2-3p
Teens

Metamorphosize your ties! Kiona will show you how to recycle men's neckties to make wild, weird, wacky, or way cute stuffed creatures. Pre-register.



Play Time

July 17 | Thur | 10-11a
Ages 6 Months-3 Years

Young children are invited to the library to play! Stacey Poole from Sooner Start will share parenting tips.



Insect-O-Mania Evening Storytime

July 22 | Tue | 6:30-7:15p
Ages 4-8

Swarm over to the Del City Library for evening Storytime. Insect-O-Mania will have stories and activities about bugs to celebrate Summer at the Library!

Big Magic Book Presents:

BugVenture

July 23 | Wed | 10a
All Ages

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Bug Grossology from Science

Museum Oklahoma

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Teens

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Wildlife Photography

July 29 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p
All Ages

Duwamish Indian chief Sealth said, "what is man without beasts? If all beasts were gone, man would die from a great loneliness of spirit. For whatever happens to beasts soon happens to man. All things are connected." Kim Sullivan is coming to the library to share her wildlife photography and conservation efforts with us. Call 672-1377 to pre-register.



Magic Dad

July 30 | Wed | 10a
All Ages

Marty Ludlum returns to Del City to present his Magic Dad Show! Come join the fun and watch the magic!



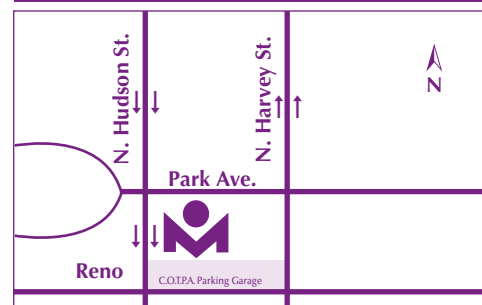
Downtown Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6



Adam Leadbetter Presents:

Honeypaws

July 1 | Tue | 1p
All Ages

In this re-adaptation of the classic children's story *The Three Bears*, Mama, Papa and Baby Bear are in a family band called The Honeypaws and are enjoying local success. Their rival group Gold Deluxe becomes envious and tries to sabotage the Honeypaws. When the Honeypaws find this out they decide to teach Gold Deluxe a lesson that everyone can benefit from. A fresh take on an old classic. Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, & The National Endowment for the Arts.



Wednesday Night at the Movies

July 2,9,16,23,30 | Wed | 6-8:30p
All Ages

It's summer reading time and our theme this summer is "Metamorphosis." Join us every Wednesday in July to see films about change. For more information call 606-3879. The July movie schedule is:

July 2: *Spirited Away* (PG)

July 9: *The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* (PG)

July 16: *Howl's Moving Castle* (PG)

July 23: *Willow* (PG)

July 30: *Sky High* (PG)

Summer Movie Series

July 3,10,17,24,31 | Thur | 2-4p
All Ages

Join us at the Downtown Library for our summer movie series every Thursday at 2p July. The July movie schedule is:

July 3: *Cars*

July 10: *The Incredibles*

July 17: *Finding Nemo*

July 24: *Robots*

July 31: *Meet the Robinsons*

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PM Play With Me

July 3 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p
Infants-5 Years w/adult



Join us for fun with toys and friends every first Thursday of the month. A simple craft and a story are included. During snack time, there will be a short discussion on the topic of the month. Call to register at 231-8650 ext. 4.

Junk Sculpture With Bryan Dahlvang

July 6 | Sun | 3-4p
Teens



Stop! Don't throw away that candy wrapper/banana peel/soda can! Turn trash into treasure as Bryan shows you how to make a work of art. Junk is provided, but feel free to bring your own if you want to personalize your art. Pre-register.

Sugar Free Allstars presents: Get Ready to Groove!!

July 8 | Tue | 1p
All Ages



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The Joy of Mozart: An Amazing Grace

July 13 | Sun | 2p
All Ages



As part of the Second Sunday Series pianist Wayne McEvilly will perform Mozart's Sonatas 1 through 3. This concert is part of a series of Mozart concerts offered at several MLS locations through October. Admission is free. Seating is limited and begins at 1:30 pm in the 46th Star Auditorium.

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All Ages



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Critter Tales: Catch the Reading Bug

July 18 | Fri
10-10:45a

Age 3-7 years



Come read a book with Critter Tales, Inc. We'll learn about all kinds of animals including BUGS! We'll have puppets, animal artifacts, and LIVE animals to learn about and touch! We'll have fun meeting bugs, snakes, hedgehogs, geckos, skinks, sugar gliders, and even chickens. Guess what? All of these animals eat bugs! Sound like a yummy meal? Not to us . . . but bugs are food for many animals. Books are a great way to learn about how animals live! Hope you can join us for a fun, hands-on, educational program!

Gamefest

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Teens



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Child Development Consultations

July 24 | Thur | 9a-Noon
Birth-5 Years with parent



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Modern Marvels: Jewish Adventures in the Graphic Novel

July 28 | Mon | 7-8:30p
Adults



The Downtown Library will be having book discussions utilizing graphic novels. Modern Marvels: Jewish Adventures in the Graphic Novel is a series that includes five Jewish artists experiment with words and pictures to tell stories of childhood, war, and desire; to conjure up lost worlds, both real and imaginary; and to contemplate history, myth, and the individual psyche. These discussions will be led by scholar Orit Rabkin, OU doctoral candidate in American Literature and is part of the American Library Association "Let's Talk About It" project. On July 28, the series begins with the graphic novel *A Contract with God* by Will Eisner. For questions and further information call Darlene Browsers, 606-3878. Co-sponsors: Jewish Federation of Greater Oklahoma City, Nextbook & The American Library Association.

Edmond Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6

S. Broadway	Main St.	N. Boulevard	
	E. 1st St.		
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Get Ready, Get Set, Go to School

July 1,8,15 | Tue
9:30-11:30a

Ages 4 & 5 with parent



In this 6 week program puppets Diana Dinosaur and Wally Problem Solver will teach 4 & 5 year olds and their parents skills to help the children succeed in school. Topics to be covered are: school rules, doing your best in school, understanding feelings and how to deal with them, and friendships and helping skills. This program will include puppets, stories, art activities, and games. Class size is limited to 10 children and their parents. Please plan to attend at least 5 sessions. Call 425-4412 to register. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

OKC Zoo: A Bug's Life
July 1 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a
Ages 3-6



Caterpillars, Butterflies, and Creepy Crawling Bugs, Oh My! This interactive program takes you inside the amazing journey of the life of bugs. Come meet live insects and learn how they survive. Limited seating. Pre-register beginning June 17 by calling 341-9282 x 4 or at the Children's Desk. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City Zoo.

Unique Board Games
July 1 | Tue | 1-3p
Ages 8-12

Bored with Checkers, Monopoly and Life? Come and learn some unique board games, many you can make yourself. Class size is limited to 15. Call 425 4412 to register. Facilitators: Pam Collins and Dan Hester. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

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

Come to the Edmond Library for a coffee break made just for you. Coffee, tea and hot chocolate will be served along with light refreshments. Talk about your favorite books, work on a puzzle, play chess, checkers, Chinese checkers or bring your own game. We will have some books on a cart for you to browse and check out. Sign our guest book and sign up for the door prize drawings.

Computer Instruction with Eddie
July 2,9,16,23,30 | 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.

Computer Instruction with Dave
July 2,9,16,23,30 | Wed
7-8p



Ages 18 & Older

Join Dave for individual instruction on the computer. Every Wednesday night assistance is offered in increments of 30 minutes to an hour; sign up for your time.

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and 10:30a
All Ages



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Farsi
July 6,13,20,27 | Sun
1:30-2:30p
Adults & Teens



Learn Farsi from an expert. Class moves rapidly. Material fee of \$20 per month, payable to the instructor. Both spoken and written Farsi will be introduced. If you have questions, call 341-9282.

Parachute Play
July 7 | Mon | 9:30-10a
Ages 3-6 with parents



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. Class size is limited to 20. Facilitators: Pam Collins and Dan Hester. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Preschool Storytime
July 7,14,21,28 | Mon
10-10:30a
Ages 3-6



For all children ages 3-6, join us for story time. There will be songs, fingerplays, puppets, hidden mysteries, special stories and occasional crafts. Come and join the fun!

School Skills Games
July 8 | Tue | 1-3p
Ages 7-12

This workshop is made up of games that help children practice skills that are important in school. It includes games focused on: math, spelling, and reading. Games will also allow the students to practice following directions, working with others, and staying on task. Class size is limited to 15. Call 425-4412 to register. Facilitators: Pam Collins and Dan Hester.

Trick My Book Truck
July 8 | Tue | 4-5p
Teens



Customize and trick out a library bookcart and enter to win a prize for your library! Bring some bling or use whatever the librarian can dig up for a sick ride. This statewide teen contest is sponsored by the Oklahoma

Department of Libraries. Please call 341-9282 to register.

Child Guidance Consultation
July 9 | Wed | 10:30a-4p
Ages Birth-5 years



Child Guidance Consultation appointments in the library are provided by Child Guidance Services, Oklahoma City-County Health Department, free of charge. Each child must have a parent or legal guardian present. Sessions include discussion about the normal range of early development and any parenting questions you may have in regard to your child. By appointment only! Parents, sign up early as appointment slots fill up fast! Call Child Guidance at 425-4412.

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Get Ready to Groove!!

July 10 | Thur | 9:30a
and 10:30a
All Ages



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Children Reading to Dogs
July 10,24,31 | Thur
6-7:30p



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 particularly 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.

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Music With Susan

**July 11,25 | Fri | 9:30-10a
or 10:15-10:45a**

Ages 2-3

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



Music With Susan

**July 11,25 | Fri
11-11:30a**

Ages 4-5

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



Stamp Club

**July 12,26 | Sat | 10a-Noon
4th Grade and up**

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

Reader's Choice Book Discussion

July 12 | Sat | 10:30a-Noon

Seniors

The Readers' Choice Book Discussion group meets once a month at the Edmond Library. Please call 341-9282 to register after June 14.

CyberMARS Course Description

**July 12 | Sat | 2-3p
Adults**

Have you ever wondered what happened to the old Card Catalog? Well, it has resurfaced in another format and now we call it CyberMARS! Learn how to find a Book, CD, Cassette, or a DVD available in our 17 libraries and how to search by keyword, title, subject or author. Also, we will touch on the usage of our databases, namely the *Daily Oklahoman* Archives.



Edmond Library Book Bunch Discussion Group

**July 12 | Sat | 2-3:30p
Seniors**

The Edmond Book Bunch discussion group meets once a month in the Edmond Library. This month's book is *Atonement* by Ian McEwan.

Autism Support Group

**July 14 | Mon | 7-9p
11-11:30a**

Adults

Support group for parents of children with autism. Co-sponsor: PAC.



Catch the Crafting Bug

July 15 | Tue | 3-4p

Ages 7-10

Get out of the heat and cool off when you join us for a chance to get your hands and your imagination busy. We'll have fun creating some buggy crafts to take home.

Mini Shrines

**July 15 | Tue | 4-5p
Teens**

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Sustainable Edmond

**July 15 | Tue | 7-9p
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, environmentally, and socially. Sustainable Edmond promotes environmental stewardship through individual, community, and business understanding of environmental issues. Part of the non-profit Oklahoma Sustainability Network. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma Sustainability Network.

Critter Tales: Catch the Reading Bug

**July 16 | Wed | 2-2:45p
Age 3-6 years**

Come read a book with Critter Tales Inc. We'll learn about all kinds of animals including BUGS! We'll have puppets, animal artifacts, and LIVE animals to learn about and touch! We'll have fun meeting bugs, snakes, hedgehogs, geckos, skinks, sugar gliders, and even chickens! Guess what? All of these animals eat bugs! Sound like a yummy meal? Not to us....but bugs are food for many animals. Books are a great way to learn about how animals live! Hope you can join us for a fun, hands-on educational program!



Teaching Children to Be More Cooperative

**July 16 | Wed | 2:30-4p
Parents of young children**

Sometimes being a parent isn't easy. How will you know if you should punish, ignore or discipline unwanted behaviors? How will



you know when to praise your child and how much is enough praise? Come and learn the language and guidance techniques used by experts to teach your child how to cooperate with you. Facilitated by Robyn Sears and Louise Hagar. Call 425-4412 to pre-register. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

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All Ages

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Metropolitan Library Commission of Oklahoma County

July 17 | Thur | 3:30-5p

Edmond Library
10 S. Boulevard
Edmond, OK 73034
405.341.9282

The public is welcome to attend.



Wizard Rock featuring the Remus Lupins

July 17 | Thur | 6:30-9p

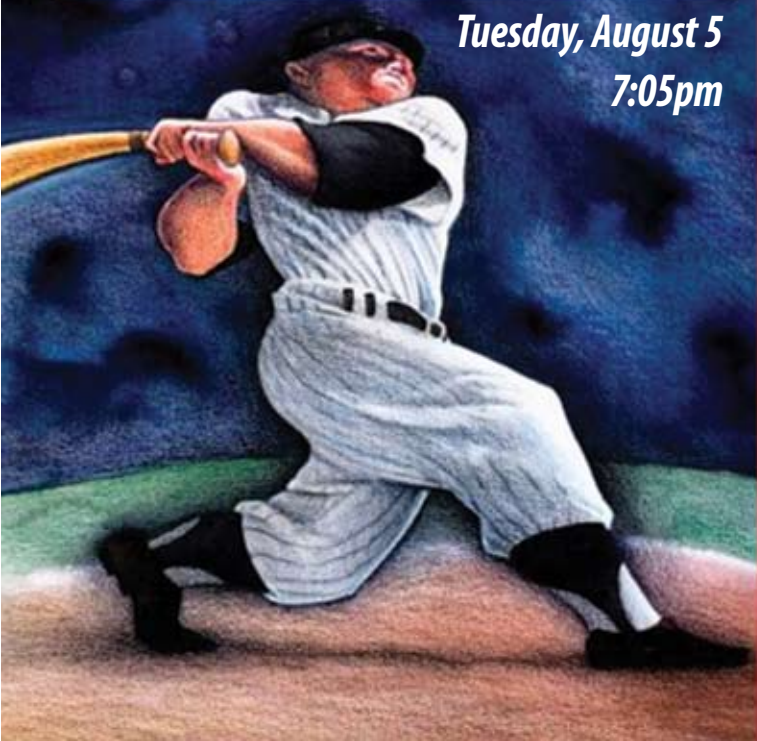
Ages 10-16

Like Live Music? Like Harry Potter? Then you'll love Wizard Rock. Wizard Rock groups have started up all over the country, making music based on the popular Harry Potter series. The Remus Lupins will give a performance for older children and young adults. Other bands will be the Whomping Willows, The Mudbloods, and local band Ginny and the Heartbreakers. Tickets must



Oklahoma Redhawks vs Tucson Sidewinders

**Tuesday, August 5
7:05pm**



Hey Kids! Don't forget to finish Goal 2 in the Summer at the Library reading program if you want to see the Oklahoma Redhawks play the Tucson Sidewinders, Aug. 5, at 7:05p. Each child will receive two vouchers to the Redhawks' baseball game after completing Goals 1 and 2. Readers and their families should redeem their vouchers early at the AT & T Bricktown Ballpark, 2 S. Mickey Mantle Drive. Vouchers can be redeemed at any time, so avoid the lines the night of the game and redeem them early! (Tickets are first come, first serve.)



be picked up in person before the day of the show. All members of the party must have a ticket to enter the show. Reserve your spot starting July 1st at 341-9282.

The Lonely Firefly: Story Time with Angela

July 19 | Sat | 10:30-11:15a
Ages 4-6



Everyone needs friends, even a little firefly. Join Miss Angela as she shares Eric Carle's wonderful book, *The Lonely Firefly*. She'll also have a craft project just for you.

OKC Zoo: What's Bugging You?

July 22 | Tue | 2-3p
Ages 6-11

What's creepy, crawly, and just plain weird?...BUGS! Come find out how the strange appearance and habit of insects help them survive. You will also discover why we need bugs...even though they creep us out! Limited Seating. Pre-register beginning June 17 by calling 341-9282 x 4 or at the Children's Desk. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City Zoo.

Gamefest

July 22,29 | Tue | 4-6p
Teens



Bring your friends and come play video games at the library! Our games include Guitar Hero, DDR, MarioKart, Rock Band, Super Smash Bros and more. Games are rated E, E10+, and T.

Big Magic Book Presents: BugVenture

July 24 | Thur | 9:30a and 10:30a
All Ages



Come follow Wizbang and all the puppet characters you have grown to love these past few years on this bumpily, beepily, boopily BugVenture! Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, & National Endowment for the Arts.

Toileting Triumph

July 30 | Wed | 2:30-4p
Parents of young children



Come discuss ways to make this important milestone easier and less stressful for you and your child. We'll talk about signs of readiness, how to help your child be successful and what to do when accidents happen. Facilitated by Robyn Sears and Louise Hagar. Call 425-4412 to pre-register. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

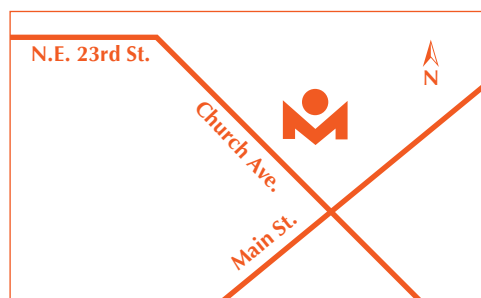
For the most
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information go to:
www.metrolibrary.org

Harrah Library

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

HOURS

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



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July 11 | Fri | 10a
All Ages



(Will be held at Harrah United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 2224 N. Harrison.) What do you get when you mix groovy organ, funky drums, and fun songs for kids? The Sugar Free Allstars, that's what! This two-piece band plays songs from their kid's album, "Dos Ninos", about kitty cats, petting zoos, banana pudding, and bath time that will make you want to clap and sing along with every word. Their shows are full of body-movin' beats and entertaining crowd participation that gets everyone involved in

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the Larger Animals
July 18 | Fri | 10a
All Ages



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Big Magic Book Presents:
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All Ages



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Jones Library

111 E. Main St., Jones
 (405) 399-5471

HOURS

Tue & Thur: 9:30-5:30 Sat: 1-5
 Mon Wed Fri & Sun: Closed



Danny's Drawing
July 1 | Tue | 2-2:45p
All Ages



Held at Jones Community Center, 120 W. Atlanta. Popular illustrator and artist, Danny Gordon shares some drawing secrets with kids of all ages. He'll even bring his famous Danny's Doggies you've heard about. Come see for yourself, it's guaranteed to be a doggone good time.

Nick Knight
July 8 | Tue | 2-2:45p
All Ages



Held at Jones Community Center, 120 W. Atlanta. Surprise your eyes! See the young magician whose motto is "Eat. Sleep. Magic." Come one, come all and don't forget your grandmaw.

Roots & Shoots
July 15 | Tue | 2-2:45p
All Ages



Held at Jones Community Center, 120 W. Atlanta. Come enjoy a celebration of the Earth: the place we all live together with the tiniest bugs to the largest animals. We'll talk about how to grow our dirt to keep our Earth healthy, just like us and learn a dance to honor the ground we walk on, too.

The Buzz About Bees
July 22 | Tue | 2-2:45p
Ages 5-9



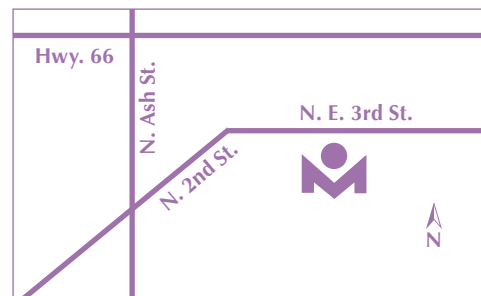
Held at Jones Community Center, 120 W. Atlanta. Get in on the buzz as you enter the fascinating world of the bee. Experience the taste of honeycomb dripping with honey and observe the attire and equipment of the beekeeper, Stephen Kendall. Space may be limited, call ahead.

Luther Library

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

HOURS

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



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July 30 | Wed | 2-4p
Teens



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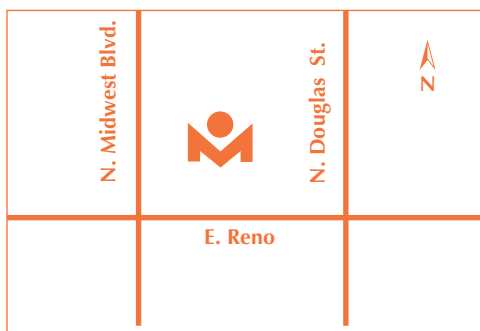
Midwest City Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6



Art Exhibit: Solo Exhibition by Kaitlyn Green

July 1-30 | Library Hours

All Ages

The Midwest City Library is pleased to host the first solo exhibition of work by emerging young artist Kaitlyn Green. Ms. Green works in a variety of media and artistic styles. The free exhibit will be on display during all library hours from July 1-July 30.

Bugs! Display

July 1-31 | Library Hours

All Ages

Master Naturalist Leslie Johnson will showcase insects and spiders in a display in the lobby of the Midwest City Library throughout the month of July.

Mid-Del Toastmasters

July 1,8,15,22,29 | Tue | 6-8p

Adults

If you are like most people, public speaking is not your favorite pastime. Surveys show that presentation skills are crucial to success in the work place. Toastmasters International provides a way to practice & hone the communication & leadership skills of its members. To learn more or to register, contact Jackie Wright at (405) 808-6834 or Dan O'Neil at (405) 204-7154. Co-sponsor: Mid-Del Toastmasters.

Parachute Play

July 2 | 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 limited to 20.



Call 425-4412 to pre-register. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Dept.

Open Studio

July 2,9,16,23 | Wed

1-4p

All Ages

For the third summer, volunteer artist Patricia Pearson will facilitate an Open Studio on Wednesday afternoons this summer from 1:00-4:00 p.m. at the Midwest City Library. Held in the library lobby, the Open Studio provides an informal meeting place for artists and aspiring artists to learn more about working with watercolors, pencils, pastels, and other art media. Basic supplies are available for beginners. Artists may bring their own. The Open Studio is free and open to the public. All age groups and skill levels are welcome to participate.



Community Quilting Class with Soldier Creek Quilting Group

July 7,14,21,28 | Mon | 9:15a-1:30p

Adults

Come join the Soldier Creek Quilting Group and watch as members of this group apply their skills to perpetuate this art form. Quilting group members will assist quilting artisans with various techniques. A supply list is available at the Information Desk. Interested? Questions? Contact Mary Okulski at 733-0564 for more information. Co-sponsor: Soldier Creek Quilting Group.

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July 7 | Mon | 3p

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Scrapbooking Crop

July 7 | Mon | 6:30-8:30p

All Ages

What is a Crop? The name comes from the activity of trimming or cropping photos. Scrapbooking Crops are designed to allow you

to meet new friends in a group setting while working on your scrapbooks. Some people attend crops merely for the socialization, while others go to complete as many scrapbook pages as possible. No matter what your intent is, you will surely benefit from a fun gathering with like-minded scrapbookers!

Insects Thought of It First

July 8 | Tue | 1-2p

All Ages

Some inventions are based upon the same principles as nature's devices. Come explore, learn more and gain an appreciation for the ingenuity of the insect world. Take home a special insect craft. Pre-register so we can have enough supplies for everyone! To sign up call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk.

Mini Shrines

July 8 | Tue | 4-5p

Teens

In this open studio, Kiona will demonstrate how to create personal shrines with found objects, photographs, and other recycled bits and pieces. Bring items you would like to include or create with the materials provided. Pre-register.



Get Ready, Get Set, Go to School

July 10,17,24 | Thur

9:30-11:30a

Ages 4 & 5 with parent

In this 6 week program puppets Diana Dinosaur and Wally Problem Solver will teach 4 & 5 year olds and their parents skills to help the children succeed in school. Topics to be covered are: school rules, doing your best in school, understanding feelings and how to deal with them, and friendships and helping skills. This program will include puppets, stories, art activities, and games. Class size is limited to 10 children and their parents. Please plan to attend at least 5 sessions. Call 425-4412 to register.

Co-sponsor: OCCHD



Unique Board Games

July 10 | Thur | 1-3p

Ages 8-12

Bored with Checkers, Monopoly and Life? Come and learn some unique board games, many you can make yourself. Class size is limited to 15. Call 425 4412 to register. Facilitators: Pam Collins and Dan Hester. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

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Gamefest

Game on! Bring your friends and play Wii, PS2, and Nintendo Gamecube video games like Guitar Hero, Super Smash Brothers, DDR, and more.



Games are rated E, E10+, and T.
For teens. Pre-register.



Metropolitan
LIBRARY SYSTEM

GAMEFEST SCHEDULE

7/10	2-4pm	Bethany
7/14	2-4pm	Ralph Ellison
7/15	2-4pm	Capitol Hill
7/20	3-5pm	Downtown
7/22	4-6pm	Edmond
7/24	6-8pm	Choctaw
7/27	2-5pm	Southern Oaks
7/28	2-4pm	Ralph Ellison
7/29	4-6pm	Edmond
7/30	2-4pm	Luther
7/31	7-8:30pm	Warr Acres

Midwest City Library continued.

Evening Storytime

July 10 | Thur | 7:30-7p
Ages 2-8 with Parents

Come share an evening of fun with you child. Enjoy stories, songs, poems, rhymes and the occasional craft. All children should be accompanied by an adult. Pre-registration is required. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.



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GameFest for GrownUps

July 14 | Mon | 6-7:30p
Adults and Seniors

Video games aren't just for kids anymore! Come play the Nintendo Wii with us at the Midwest City Library. Registration is limited so sign up today!

Child Guidance Consultation

July 28 | Mon
1-4:30p

Ages 1 month-5 years

This is a great opportunity to book a free one-on-one consultation with child specialists. Sessions include discussion about the normal range of early development and any developmental and/or parenting questions you may have in regard to your child. Consultations are by appointment only and take approximately 1 hour. Each child must be accompanied by a parent and/or legal guardian. Call Child Guidance at 425-4412 to pre-register. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Department.



Midwest City Readers' Society

July 15 | 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.

Junk Sculpture With Bryan Dahlvang

July 15 | Tue | 6-7p
Teens

Stop! Don't throw away that candy wrapper/banana peel/soda can! Turn trash into treasure as Bryan shows you how to make a work of art. Junk is provided, but feel free to bring your own if you want to personalize your art. Pre-register.



New Old Games

July 17 | Thur | 1-3p
Ages 8-12

This workshop includes active games, quiet games, mind games and brain teasers. Also games you can make from things you have at home. These games are from the Cokesbury Game Book (1939). Class size is limited to 15. Register by calling 425-4412. Facilitated by Pam Collins and Dan Hester. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

AAA Motor Vehicle Crash Prevention Course

July 19 | Sat | 9a-4p
Licensed Drivers

Save money on your auto insurance and become a safer driver. Mark Sprayberry, a certified AAA instructor, will be conducting this class at the Midwest City Library. A small materials fee will apply; AAA members will receive a discount. Pre-registration is required. Call Becci at (800) AAA-CLUB (222-2582). Co-sponsor: AAA.

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July 21 | Mon | 3p
All Ages

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Free Blood Pressure Screenings

July 22 | Tue | 10-11:30a

Seniors

Oklahoma City Clinic will be providing Free Blood Pressure screenings for all Medicare eligible seniors at the Midwest City Library! The Oklahoma City Clinic has a location in your neighborhood to provide primary and preventive care to Medicare eligible seniors including treatment of chronic conditions such as diabetes, hypertension, and cholesterol. Please stop by for your FREE screening and make your health a priority. Co-sponsor: OKC Clinic.

Family Craft Night

July 22 | Tue

6:30-7:30p

All Ages

Hey Parents! Bring your kids to the library for an evening of family fun. We will provide all the supplies to make buggy, summer-reading crafts. Pre-register so we can have enough supplies for everyone. To sign up call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk.



Philosopher's Café

July 23 | Wed | 3:30-4:30p

Grades 3-6

How do you know you're here? Can a question be an answer? Think you don't have a clue? Well, think again. Join us for snacks, stories, songs, poems, answers and more questions. Pre-registration at 732-4828 or visit the library Information Desk to sign up.

Yarn Club

July 23 | Wed | 4-6p

All Ages

Attention crochet and knitting enthusiasts! Bring your favorite pattern, or browse the library's selection. Crochet hooks, knitting needles, and scrap yarn will be available.

Joy of Mozart:

An Amazing Grace

July 27 | Sun | 2-3p

All Ages

Join Wayne McEvelly, noted concert pianist, as he performs Mozart's Sonata 6. This concert is part of a series of Mozart concerts offered at several MLS locations until Oct. Has your soul ever been moved by music?



Sibling Struggles

July 28 | Mon | 5:30-7p

Adults

"A New Baby??" or "He's looking at Me!!" Come and learn the methods to prepare children for the arrival of a new sibling and how to deal with sibling squabbles that occur. We will explore causes of sibling rivalry, what is normal behavior, how and when to



intervene, and ways to help siblings learn to get along. Facilitated by Sarita Naegeli. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City/County Health Dept. 425-4366.

What's Buggin' You? - The Fear Factor

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All Ages

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Nicoma Park Library

2240 Overholser, Nicoma Park
(405) 769-9452

HOURS

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



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International Women's Aglow of Choctaw

July 12 | Sat | 9:40a-Noon

Adult Women

The inter-denominational meeting of the Choctaw Women's Aglow meets every second Saturday from 9:40a - Noon.

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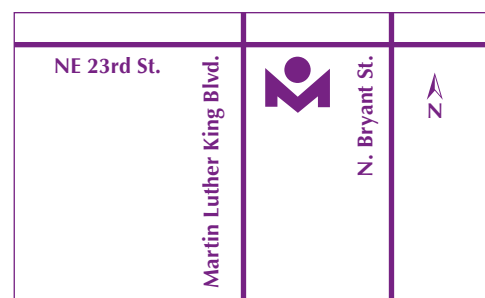


Ralph Ellison Library

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

HOURS

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



Basic Computers 101

July 1,8,15,22,29 | Tue

Noon-1p

All Ages

Do you need help with basic computer skills? The library will provide one-on-one computer classes every Tuesday. If interested, contact the library at 424-1437 to schedule a time.



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Teen Action Group July 1 | Tue | 3-4p Teens



Let your voice be heard. Come to this informational meeting about TAG and learn how you can make a difference at the library. Free food and door prizes for all who attend! Pre-register.

Let's Talk Toastmasters July 2,8,15,22,29 | Wed | 6-7p Adults

Lose your fear of public speaking & learn skills to help you be more successful in whatever path you choose in life.

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Society of Urban Poets July 5 | Sat | 11a-1p Adults

Join S.O.U.P. and have fun with poetry! We meet the first Saturday of each month to celebrate poetic expression without the use of profanity! Original poetry or not, join us. Each monthly meeting begins with an open mic session. We love new members!

Sugar Free Allstars presents: Get Ready to Groove!! July 7 | Mon | 10:30a All Ages



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Teen Gaming Day July 14,28 | Mon | 2-4p Teens



Bring your friends and come play video games at the library! Games are rated E, E10+, and T. Pre-register.

Trick My Book Truck July 17 | Thur | 6-7p Teens



Customize and trick out a library bookcart and enter to win a prize for your library! Bring some bling or use whatever the librarian can dig up for a sick ride. This statewide teen contest is sponsored by the Oklahoma Department of Libraries.

West African Drumming Workshop July 29 | Tue | 2-3p Ages 6 and Older



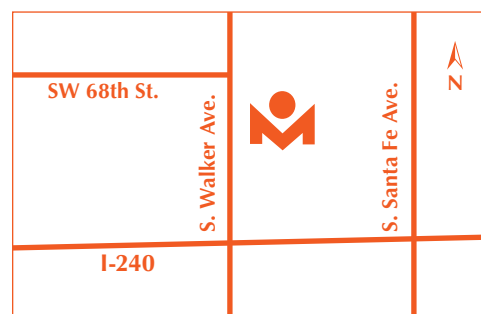
Come and learn West African drumming with experienced performer and teacher D. Frazier. Call 424-1437 to sign up.

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6



Adam Leadbetter Presents: Honey paws July 1 | Tue | 3p All Ages



In this re-adaptation of the classic children's story *The Three Bears*, Mama, Papa and Baby Bear are in a family band called The Honey paws and are enjoying local success. Their rival group Gold Deluxe becomes envious and tries to sabotage the Honey paws. When the Honey paws find this out they decide to teach Gold Deluxe a lesson that everyone can benefit from. A fresh take on an old classic. Admission by free ticket. Tickets will be handed out starting one hour before the program. Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, & The National Endowment for the Arts.

Movie Matinee July 7 | Mon | 11a-2p All Ages

University of Central Oklahoma GA, Ben Smith will discuss the process of turning comics into movies. We will then watch an example of this cinematic form. No pre-registration required.

Southern Oaks Book Club July 8 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a Adults

If you enjoy reading and discussing books, come to the 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.

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Get Ready to Groove!!**

**July 8 | Tue | 3p
All Ages**



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Mini Shrines

**July 9 | Wed | 7-8p
Teens**



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Preschool Storytime

**July 11 | Fri | 10:30-11:15a
Ages 2-6 with adult**



Join Miss Cheryl as she reads stories about some buggy creatures. Children will have fun with books, songs, and activities as they build their early literacy skills. All children should be accompanied by an adult. Pre-registration is required. Please sign up by calling 631-4468 or by visiting the Information Desk.

**Child Guidance Consultation
Appointments**

**July 11 | Fri | 12:30-4p
Ages Birth-5 years**



Child Guidance Consultation appointments are provided by Child Guidance Services, Oklahoma City-County Health Department, free of charge. Each child must have a parent with them. Sessions include discussion about the normal range of early development and any parenting questions you may have. By appointment only! Call Child Guidance at 425-4412.

Drawing Manga

**July 12 | Sat | 2-4p
Teens**



Learn to draw manga style with Alex Boldt. Please pre-register.

Robots 101

**July 14 | Mon
11:30a-1:30p
Teens**



Create Lego robots with the Oklahoma 4-H youth development team. Then learn how to create robots and enter them in contests around the county. Space is limited. Please pre-register.

Be Your Own Boss

**July 14 | Mon | 6:30-8p
Adults**

Have you ever wanted to start and manage a business of your own? What is the importance of a business plan and where can you find funding for a new business? See if being an entrepreneur is for you. Learn about starting a business in Oklahoma and the factors leading to success. Attend this seminar conducted by SCORE, "Counselors to America's Small Business." Call the Southern Oaks Library at 631-4468 to register for the free workshop. SCORE is a nonprofit association dedicated to entrepreneur education and the formation, growth and success of small businesses nationwide. Co-sponsor: SCORE.

Free Blood Pressure Screenings

July 15 | Tue | 10-11:30a

Seniors

Oklahoma City Clinic will be providing Free Blood Pressure Screenings for all Medicare eligible seniors at the Southern Oaks Library. The Oklahoma City Clinic has a location in your neighborhood to provide primary and preventive care to Medicare eligible seniors including treatment of chronic conditions such as diabetes, hypertension and cholesterol. Please stop by for your free screening and make your health a priority because it is a priority to us! Co-sponsor: OKC Clinic.

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**Anansi the Spider, Bugs
the Larger Animals**

**July 15 | Tue | 3p
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**New Old Games: Fun Games
From the Past**

**July 16 | Wed | 10a-Noon
Kids ages 8-12**

Come play some active games, quiet games, mind games, and brain teasers. You'll also play some games you can make from things you have at home. These games are from the Cokesbury Game book (1939). Sign up fast, space is limited. Call 425-4412 to register. Co-sponsor: OKC/County Health Dept.

Parachute Play

**July 18 | Fri | 10:30-11a
Ages 3-6 with Parents**



Playing games with a parachute, children will have the opportunity to practice following directions, socializing with others, using language, using small and large muscles, and remaining in control during very active play. Call 425-4412 to pre-register. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Department.

Kids' Theater: Sunday Afternoon Movie

**July 20 | Sun | 2-4p
For Families and Kids of all Ages**

Come enjoy a family feature film and have some snacks and goodies. Pre-registration is required. Call 631-4468 to sign up or you may register at the Information Desk.

Making Monster Puppets

**July 21 | Mon
6:30-8:30p
Teens**



Artist James Cain will demonstrate how to transform socks, stuffed animals, and other items into cool Monster Puppets. Please pre-register.

**Big Magic Book Presents:
BugVenture**

**July 22 | Tue | 3p
All Ages**



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Unique Board Games

July 25 | Fri | 1-3p

Kids ages 8-12

Are you bored with Checkers, Monopoly, and Life? Come play and learn some unique board games, many you can make yourself. Space is limited, call 425-4412 to sign up. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City County Health Dept.

Gamefest

July 27 | Sun | 2-5p

Teens

Bring your friends and come play video games at the library! Our games include Guitar Hero, DDR, MarioKart, Rock Band, Super Smash Bros and more. Games are rated E, E10+, and T.

Chinese Brush Painting

July 29 | Tue

6:30-8:30p

Ages 10 and Older

Learn Sumi-E and other traditional brush techniques from Asia then create your own paintings. Taught by University of Oklahoma student Savannah Mitchell. Please pre-register.

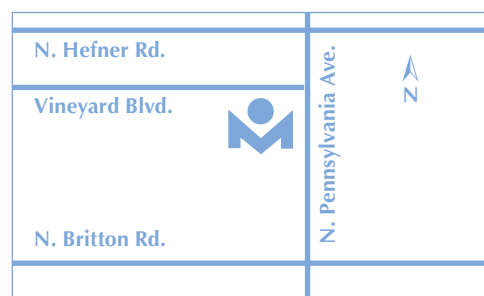
The Village Library

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

HOURS

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

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Sun: Closed



Bug Extravaganza

July 2,9,16,23 | Wed | 1-2p

Ages 7-11

Please join us this summer for a variety of programs, a different one each week. We will make fake bugs and eat them, learn how to weave, make pop-up cards, make bug-ish art, and get a bug's eye view of the world. It is a Bug Extravaganza. Please pre-register at the Information Desk or call 755-0710.

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July 3 | Thur | 1p

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Children Reading to Dogs

July 3,10,17,24,31 | Thur

2:30-3:30p

Children who can read

Come and read to a dog! Readers can come to practice and improve their out-loud reading skills. The dog (with an owner) acts as an uncritical, appreciative audience with excellent listening skills. Bring your own book or borrow one from us.



Introduction to Microsoft

Excel

July 7,14,21,28 | 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. Monday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Scheduled in 30 minute to one hour sessions per individual. Come in or call to reserve your instruction time. Village Library (405) 755-0710.



Babar and Me

July 10,17,24 | Thur

10-10:30a

Ages 2-5

Fun and gentle yoga for little ones and their parent(s).



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Drawing Manga

July 10 | Thur | 3:30-5p

Ages 12-17

In this program you will be able to explore all aspects of design for your anime character. We will cover the basic creation of a character and templates will be provided to draw your character on as a base for proportion. During the class, there will be interactive lessons on design, anatomy, and coloring. The instructor will talk with you one-on-one about your character design and how you can improve your skills as an artist. Pre-register at the Information Desk by calling 755-0710.



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Using Photos with Computers

July 19 | Sat | 10-11:30a

Adults

Using Photographs with Computers- Free computer class for adults! Learn how to transfer pictures from ANY camera (not just a digital camera) to your computer and e-mail them to friends and family! Come in or call to sign-up. Village Library (405) 755-0710.



Children Reading to Dogs

*These dogs lend you their ears!
They listen while you read to them.*

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All dogs and owners are trained and certified as dog therapy teams.

Edmond Library

Thursdays
July 10, 24, 31
6-7:30p

The Village Library

Thursdays
July 3, 10, 17, 24
2:30-3:30p



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Knitty Committee

July 26 | Sat | 10a-Noon
All Ages

Interested in knitting or learning how to knit? Join the Knitty Committee at the Village Library on the last Saturday of each month at 10 am. Bring your yarn and join the fun!

Warr Acres Library

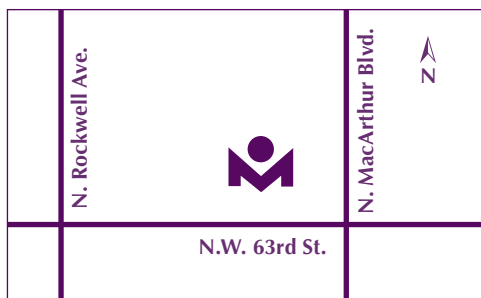
5901 N.W. 63rd, Warr Acres
(405) 721-2616

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5

Sun: Closed



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Honey paws

July 2 | Wed | 2:30p
All Ages

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Story Time for Preschoolers

July 8,22 | Tue
10:30-11:15a

Ages 2 1/2 to 5 year olds

Children will enjoy stories and other fun activities with Miss Alma and her puppets. Pre-register at 721-2616.



Play Time for Babies and Tots

July 9,16,23 | Wed

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

Ages 8 mnths-2 1/2 yrs

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.



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Book Time: Crafts for Children

July 10,24 | Thur | 10:30-11:30a
Age 6 & older

Books come alive with related crafts. Sign up begins two weeks before each Book Time session. Pre-register by calling or coming to the Information Desk. Sign up begins June 26 for July 10. The book featured is *If you Give a Mouse a Cookie*. Sign up begins July 10 for July 24. The book featured is *Mouse Paint*. Come prepared to paint.

Caldecott ART Club for Children

July 12 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a
Ages 5 and older

Children will make a model airplane and learn simple animation techniques based on the book, *My Friend Rabbit*, by Eric Rohmann. Pre-register by calling 721-2616.

Book Club

July 14 | Mon | 11a-Noon
Adults

The Warr Acres Library Book Club meets the second Monday of each month. In July, we will be discussing *Dearest Dorothy, Are We There Yet?* by Charlene Ann Baumbich. It is Book 1 in the Dearest Dorothy Series.

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Book Time: ACTION for Children

July 17,31 | Thur | 10:30-11:30a
Age 6 & older

Make stories come alive by play acting with us! Everyone will participate after the story is read aloud. Sign up for Book Time begins two weeks before the session. Pre-register by calling or coming to the Information Desk. Sign up begins July 3 for July 17. The books featured will be *A House for Hermit Crab* and *Rooster's Off to See the World*. Sign up begins July 17 for July 31. The book featured is *Miss Spider's Tea Party*.

Junk Sculpture With Bryan Dahlvang

July 17 | Thur | 7-8p
Teens

Stop! Don't throw away that candy wrapper/banana peel/soda can! Turn trash into treasure as Bryan shows you how to make a work of art. Junk is provided, but feel free to bring your own if you want to personalize your art. Pre-register.



For the most up-to-date calendar information go to: www.metrolibrary.org

Child Guidance Consultations

July 18 | Fri | 1-4p

Ages Birth-5 years with Parent or Guardian



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Coffee Break

July 21 | Mon | 9:30-10:30a

Adults

Join us on the 3rd Monday of each month for coffee and conversation in a relaxed, informal setting. Light refreshments will be served in our meeting room.

"Catch the Reading Bug" with Critter Tales

July 21 | Mon | 2:30-3:15p

Ages 6 years & older

Come read a book with Critter Tales Inc. We'll learn about all kinds of animals including BUGS! We'll have puppets, animal artifacts, and LIVE animals to learn about and touch! We'll have fun meeting bugs, snakes, hedgehogs, geckos, skinks, sugar gliders, and even chickens! Guess what? All of these animals eat bugs! Sound like a yummy meal? Not to us....but bugs are food for many animals. Books are a great way to learn about how animals live! Hope you can join us for a fun, hands-on, educational program!

Big Magic Book Presents:

BugVenture

July 23 | Wed | 2:30p

All Ages



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Anime Drawing Class

July 24 | Thur | 7-8:30p

Ages 12-17



Artist Milt Morris will conduct our class including Anime and drawing basics. Please call to pre-register.

Read for Prizes: Question & Answer Time

July 28 | Mon | 10a-4:30p

Ages 5 & older

Children that read a book from our book list (available at the Info. Desk) and answer questions correctly will receive prizes. Schedule five minutes for Q & A time on Monday, July 28. Each correct answer gives the child a point to spend on prizes. Call Alma at 721-2616 to schedule your child's five minutes of Q & A time.

My Child Won't Mind Me

July 29 | Tue | 2:30-4p

Ages Birth-5 years

Adults



Do you sometimes feel like you're talking to a brick wall or have repeated yourself 1000 times? Most parents experience these feelings of not being listened to by their children. We'll discuss why this happens and ways to help children listen and cooperate more often. Attention span and hearing play a big part in parents' frustrations; we'll also discuss the difference in selective listening (you know, when they just tune you out) and how you can tell if they really might not have heard you. Enroll by calling 425-4412, Oklahoma City-County Health Department.

Gamefest

July 31 | Thur | 7-8:30p

Teens



Bring your friends and come play video games at the library! Our games include Guitar Hero, DDR, MarioKart, Rock Band, Super Smash Bros and more. Games are rated E, E10+, and T.

Wright Library

2101 Exchange, OKC
(405) 235-5035

HOURS

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



Origami & a Story

July 3 | Thur | 2-2:45p

All Ages



Mae Erb's will demonstrate her skill with the ancient art of paper folding. Origami is a delightful and fun filled activity that can be enjoyed anytime and at any age. Small children might need to bring a grown-up.

Nick Knight

July 10 | Thur | 2-2:45p

All Ages



Surprise your eyes! See the young magician whose motto is "Eat. Sleep. Magic." Come one, come all and don't forget your grandmaw.

Roots & Shoots

July 17 | Thur | 2-2:45p

All Ages



Come enjoy a celebration of the Earth: the place we all live together with the tiniest bugs to the largest animals. We'll talk about how to grow our dirt to keep our Earth healthy, just like us, and to learn a dance to honor the ground we walk on, too.

The Buzz About Bees

July 24 | Thur | 2-2:45p

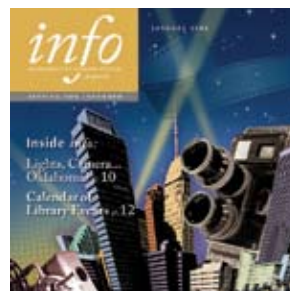
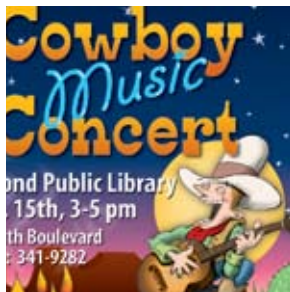
Ages 5-9



Get in on the buzz as you enter the fascinating world of bees. Experience the taste of honeycomb dripping with honey and observe the attire and equipment of the beekeeper, Stephen Kendall. Space may be limited, call ahead.

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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.

Carlin, George. *When Will Jesus Bring the Porkchops?* [sound recording]

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Aging baby boomers with a satirical sense of humor and a high tolerance for rough language will enjoy the grumpy old man of American stand-up as he reads the text of his latest book. Listening to Carlin read his collection of quirky and downright surreal performances pieces is almost as much fun as being in the audience as he paces the stage and skewers the inanities of modern life.

Perry, Tyler. *Don't Make a Black Woman Take Off Her Earrings: Madea's Uninhibited Commentaries on Love and Life.* [sound recording]

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Tyler Perry, who reads his own book on this four-disc set, created the strong southern matriarch, bossy but wise Madea, in a series of plays performed in churches. Madea made the jump to motion pictures, and now she's illuminating the meaning of life in this amusing collection of stories and advice. There are real truths hiding behind the comedy, so watch out for them.



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