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Some people enjoy being on the go during the summer—swimming, hiking, golfing. But for a lot of us, those warm summer days are just right for sitting in the shade, cold drink in one hand and a good library book in the other, watching the go-getters go-get.

A good compromise would be to check out your neighborhood library to find out what programming events are taking place in July. Your MLS libraries offer lots of activities for folks of all ages, and none of it is likely to bring on heat stroke.

Take a look at this month's Calendar of Events. You're sure to find something to get excited about—even if it's just settling down in a comfy chair with a good book.



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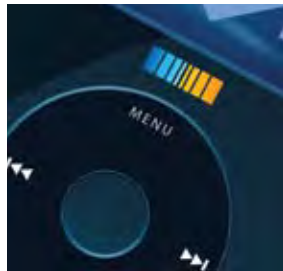
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Oklahoma City's first mayor, William L. Couch.



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Look Over Jordan

by Larry Johnson

**Now that my life is half over, I see
enough in the rearview mirror to realize
that pretty much any situation you
encounter in life has already been
covered by an Old Testament story or
a Shakespeare play – or both.**



Most of our collective knowledge of these stories has been further condensed into utility one-liners like “pride cometh before a fall” and “all’s well that ends well.” As a historian, though, I love to play the “What if...” game. And one of the “what if’s” I’ve often wondered about is what would have happened if Moses had crossed on over into the Promised Land even though he was told it was forbidden. He had already disobeyed once and was destined to climb up to Pisgah and be struck down, so what did he have to lose?

You’re wondering what Moses has to do with this guy, Oklahoma City’s first mayor, William L. Couch. Well, Couch was a Moses of sorts. Around 1884, he joined David L. Payne’s Oklahoma Colony and soon after distinguished himself

enough to become Payne’s lieutenant and eventual heir to leadership of the Boomer movement to settle the Unassigned Lands. After working tirelessly to open the land to white settlement, involving repeated arrests and lengthy testimonies before government officials, Couch and the Boomers had finally convinced Washington to allow it in early 1889. However, President Harrison warned that anyone present before the official opening was prohibited from making a claim in the Promised Land.

Couch had secured himself a job with the Santa Fe Railroad just before the opening and he thus had ample opportunity to scout out the best land for a claim. Despite being expressly forbidden from entering into the Promised Land, Couch

strolled over to present day Main and Walker just after noon on April 22nd, and staked a claim to his new farm long before the first legitimate land runners arrived. A handful of others claimed his land as well, but as there was no authority at the time, claims disputes were not being settled just yet.

About a week after the run, a provisional government was set up and Couch was elected Oklahoma City’s first mayor. He was the natural choice, as he was well known by the Boomers

and known to be in possession of fine leadership skills. But contemporaries also said he was uncompromising, easily angered, and quick to combat. One of the other claimants for the homestead was J. C. Adams, described as violent and eccentric to the point of madness. You can see where this is going. Couch



Oklahoma City Railroad Station

resigned the mayoralty in spring of 1890 to defend his claim and soon after he was wounded in a skirmish with Adams. He died of complications on April 21 – a full year after entering the Promised Land. Like Moses, he passed from the Earth even though “his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated.”

All in all, I’d say it’s a pretty good answer to the “what if.” If the lawgivers themselves aren’t held accountable for upholding the law, then what hope is there for a nation guided by the rule of law?

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Reviews & Recommendations

FICTION/
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ON THE SHELF

Shambling towards Hiroshima

by James Morrow

reviewed by Jana Hausburg



"We don't want to put too much pressure on you, but it's essential that you understand the stakes," Yordan said. "Turn in a masterful performance, and the Pacific War may end happily."

"Screw it up, and we'll be forced to bust a Jap city or two," Strickland added.

In a parallel universe very similar to our own lives Syms Thorley, a successful B-movie actor known for his uncanny ability to portray mummies, lizards, and other creepy monsters with convincing acumen. So effective is he as Corpuscula, a Frankenstein-like freak, that the U.S. Navy taps him for a top-secret assignment.

In addition to the Manhattan Project, the government is funding the creation of a biological weapon in the hopes of bringing about the unconditional surrender of the Japanese military. Should it work, the Knickerbocker project

would render the dropping of an atomic bomb unnecessary, saving thousands of civilian lives – if Thorley can shamble appropriately on camera.

The military can't possibly risk a live demonstration of their biologically-modified behemoths: Dagwood, Blondie and Mr. Dithers. The creatures are so ferocious and unpredictable, they must remain sedated. Thorley's assignment is to portray one of the creatures for a Japanese delegation, which would film him and convey their horror to the Imperial Government in Tokyo. Capitulation and surrender would be inevitable, if Thorley's acting abilities are up to snuff.

It sounds so crazy, it just might work.

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

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VIDEO/DISC
ON THE SHELF

Pinocchio

reviewed by Doug Bentin



Pinocchio was not supposed to be Walt Disney's second feature length animated film, but it took so long to get *Bambi* ready for release, the story of the wooden puppet who wants to become a real boy showed up in theaters a full two years earlier.

Pinocchio is the favorite Disney cartoon feature of a lot of people, especially men who, in middle age, wonder if they made the best decisions in life. I think we feel closer to Pinocchio than other Disney characters—our hearts are good but the temptations of life can seem awfully strong at times.

The picture is a masterpiece of careful, innovative animation; the set and character designs are

practically perfect, and the multiplane shot that begins the movie by sweeping across village rooftops is a thing of beauty forever.

With great voice acting from Cliff Edwards (Jiminy Cricket), Walter Catlett (Foulfellow the Fox), Dickie Jones in the title role, and others, and terrific songs by Ned Washington and Leigh Harline, *Pinocchio* is a movie for all seasons and ages.

Doug Bentin appears weekly on the MLS TV program "Read About It." Check out his movie reviews in The Oklahoma Gazette, and his occasional film writing on the Oklahoma Film Critics Circle website, <http://ofccircle.org/>



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BIOGRAPHY
ON THE SHELF

Go Down Together: The True, Untold Story of Bonnie and Clyde

by Jeff Guinn

reviewed by Doug Bentin



May 23 marked the 75th anniversary of the deaths of Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow in a Louisiana ambush in 1934. That brought to an end the three-year crime spree that took the lives of nine police officers and a yet undetermined number of civilians. Whatever Bonnie and Clyde were in real life, they weren't Robin Hood and Maid Marian.

Guinn is the first historian who had available to him Cumie (Clyde's mother) Barrow's unpublished memoir. It sheds some light on his early years, but Ma was faithful to the fantasy of her good but

misunderstood son until her death in 1942, so don't look for any revelations.

The story whips along like a stolen Ford V-8 outdistancing the law—stealing cars was the only crime Clyde was really good at—and Guinn tries to maintain fairness in dealing with both the outlaws and the cops on their trail.

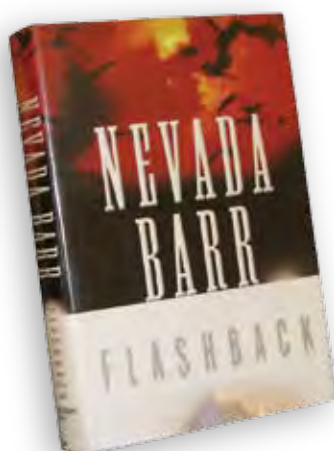
The sort of sad thing is that despite the glamour of the reputation that has grown up around the dangerous duo, bank robber John Dillinger was the one who really understood them. They were just a pair of punk kids, he said, stealing grocery money.

MYSTERY
BAR
ON THE SHELF

Flashback

by Nevada Barr

reviewed by Phyllis Davidson



Fort Jefferson in Dry Tortugas National Park is the setting for Anna Pigeon's 11th adventure, and what an unforgettable setting it is. Built back in the mid-nineteenth century, the fort almost totally encompasses tiny Garden Key, an island seventy miles from Key West.

Anna takes a temporary assignment as supervisory ranger after the former ranger develops mental issues and begins seeing apparitions that aren't really there. Anna's sister, Molly, sends her a packet of old letters written by their great-great aunt, Raffia. She and her husband, the fort commander, lived at the fort during a time when it functioned as a prison for confederate soldiers and for the Lincoln-assassination conspirators.

The cliffhanger chapters alternate between Raffia's account of mysterious events at Fort Jefferson and Anna's discovery of the wreckage of

a speed boat near the island. Before long, Anna begins seeing what appears to be the ghost of Aunt Raffia. Her state of mind deteriorates as she investigates the origins of the speed boat and the apparent disappearance of the former ranger's girlfriend.

I recommend you visit www.wikipedia.com or Google Images for photos and a history of Fort Jefferson before you begin reading the book. It will enhance your understanding and enjoyment of the story, and it might put the Dry Tortugas on your list of future vacation destinations.

This title is also available in a large print edition and as a sound recording.

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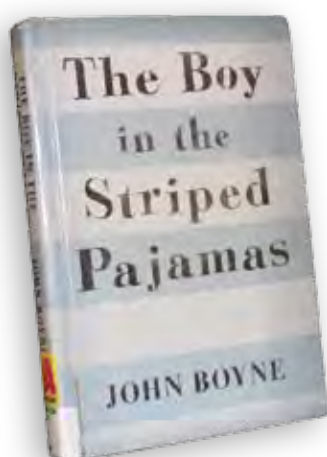
Reviews & Recommendations



The Boy In The Striped Pajamas

by John Boyne

reviewed by Christine Bassett



One day in 1942, nine year old Bruno starts on a journey that will change his life for ever. He and his parents, his sister Gretel and the maid Maria, all move from their large house in Berlin to Out-With where his father has been sent to work by the Fury. At first Bruno is very angry to have to leave his three best friends Karl, Daniel and Martin, and his home because there is no where to explore in the new house which is small and has soldiers coming and going every day.

However, soon Bruno realizes that he rather enjoys being at Out-With. Herr Liszt comes every day to tutor the children in geography and history

and Bruno finds that there is somewhere to explore after all. Even more exciting to Bruno is that he meets a new friend called Shmuel. So everyday after classes, he secretly leaves the house to talk to the boy in the striped pajamas.

This friendship turns out to have devastating consequences for Bruno and his family. Boyne's powerfully written fable is suitable for both adults and teens alike.

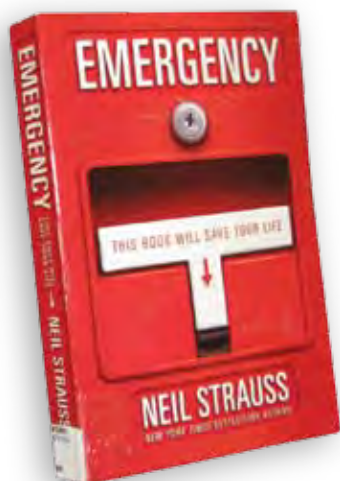
Christine Bassett has worked for the MLS for nearly 10 years. She currently works as a reference librarian at Belle Isle and is a volunteer community literacy tutor in her spare time.



Emergency: This Book Will Save Your Life

by Neil Strauss

reviewed by Jana Hausburg



"I don't want to be hiding in cellars, fighting old women for a scrap of bread, taking forced marches at gunpoint, dying of cholera in refugee camps ... I want to be the one that gets away. The winner of the survival lottery."

With threats of a possible swine flu pandemic, is it in bad taste to review a book about TEOTWAWKI-- The End of the World As We Know It? I didn't mean to read yet another doomsday scenario book, but after an eagle-eyed librarian questioned the classification of this book, and I started looking through it to figure out which Dewey Decimal Class fit it best, I couldn't put it down.

Unlike most of us, when it all hits the fan Strauss is going to be ready for action. Over an eight-year period, he transformed himself from an average Joe into a steely-eyed, gun-toting survivalist who can start fires with sticks and

some ear wax, wield a knife, find water in the desert, live in the wild by harvesting flora and fauna, pick locks, kill a man with his bare hands, and so much more.

I'm not sure how many couch potatoes will be inspired to rise up and start making escape plans. This type of preparation can get expensive. (Do you know how much a gyrocopter costs?) But it set my imagination wandering. I had no idea there were so many different courses one can take in order to learn about beating a seemingly unbeatable system. Strauss even attends an Urban Escape and Evasion course held right here in Oklahoma City. To prove he's learned to successfully navigate through a dangerous environment, he's dropped into Bricktown and must make his way to the Bass Pro Shop without being caught by bounty hunters. Does he do it? Could I do it? Could you?

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Get Reading Oklahoma!

Times are tough right now for anyone involved in a job search and especially for those whose reading, writing and math need some polishing. Oklahoma adults can now improve these vital life skills and prepare for the GED at the library and from the comfort of their homes.



Get Reading Oklahoma is an innovative project of the Oklahoma City Community Foundation that seeks to improve the reading skills of adult citizens through readily accessible programming on public and cable television and online video streaming.

The project includes TV411, an award-winning basic adult skills television program; GED Connection, a television series devoted to improving skills for the GED exam; and www.GetReadingOklahoma.org, which offers online video streaming of both series, contact information for statewide literacy providers and GED resources. Partners working with the Oklahoma City Community Foundation include the Oklahoma Educational Television Authority (OETA), Cox Communications, Oklahoma Department of Libraries and Central Oklahoma Workforce Investment Board (COWIB).

"Many adults read at levels too low to function independently and their inability to read impacts their health, their economic well-being and the lives of their families," says Nancy B. Anthony, executive director of the Oklahoma City Community Foundation. "We hope that Get Reading Oklahoma and all of the supporting activities will begin to address this issue in our community and our state."

TV411 is an award-winning series consisting of 30 half-hour programs and accompanying workbooks and teacher's manual. The series focuses on real-life applications of reading, writing and mathematics skills in the areas of parenting, money management and health.

GED Connection is a unique program that is comprised of 39 half-hour programs that help learners study and practice all five subjects included in the GED exam. The programs feature well-known actors and real world adults in a challenging and interactive setting.

Both TV411 and GED Connection will broadcast on OETA on Mondays through Fridays from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. The series began on June 1 and will continue through July 31.

In addition, the programming will be available to Cox Communications customers via the On Demand Freezone channel. For a complete television schedule, visit www.GetReadingOklahoma.org.

People without cable TV subscriptions can access online video streaming of both programs on GetReadingOklahoma.org. They can access them via the public access computers that are available in every library in the Metropolitan Library System. MLS libraries also have for check out books and other materials for self-paced learning at home.

Learners and volunteers can also call 1-888-OK2READ to locate literacy services across the state.

Get Reading Oklahoma is part of a group of projects commemorating the Oklahoma City Community Foundation's 40th anniversary. A nonprofit charity established in 1969, the Oklahoma City Community Foundation's mission is to help donors meet the charitable needs of the community through the development and administration of permanent endowment funds for charitable organizations, scholarships and other charities.

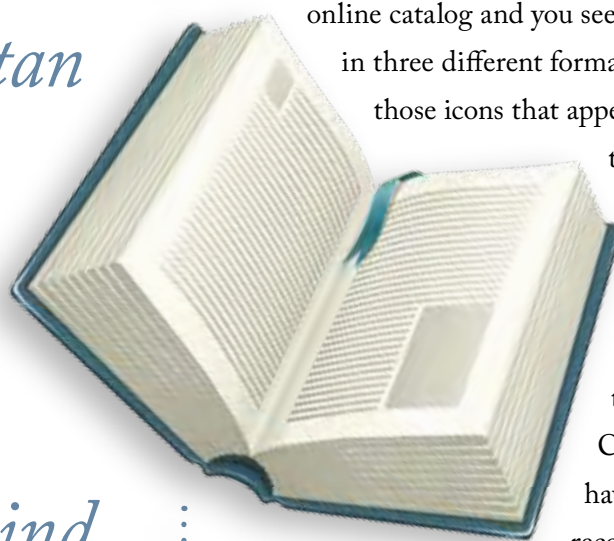
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A New Way to Listen to Your Library

You probably know that your Metropolitan Library System has on its shelves hundreds of audio recordings of every kind of music, and you may have heard that we also have hundreds of books on tape and CD.



Say you're interested in Barbara Walters' autobiography, *Audition*. You look it up in our online catalog and you see we own the title in three different formats. Take a look at those icons that appear to the left of the title. There's one that looks like a book, which means we own it in book form. Another of the icons looks like a CD, so you know we have *Audition* as a sound recording.

But what's that third icon, the new one that looks like a little iPod?

That one indicates that we can make the book available to you as a downloadable sound recording.

So now you know you can locate them by searching for a title, but there





AROUND THE SYSTEM

Carnegie Library

The building doesn't exist anymore, but the Carnegie Library served Oklahoma City for 50 years.

Development of educational institutions in Indian Territory and Oklahoma Territory coincided with the public library movement across the United States. Credit for establishing the territories' libraries generally goes to the local Women's Clubs, whose activities almost always included setting up local reading rooms and collecting books to furnish those facilities with material to lend.

The library movement was aided after 1900 by a grants program established by famed steel magnate Andrew Carnegie. Retiring from the steel industry in 1900 at age sixty-five, Carnegie devoted the rest of his life to philanthropy. In total, his Carnegie Corporation provided more than \$41 million for 1,689 free public library buildings in 1,419 communities around the United States. One condition of every Carnegie grant was that a community must pledge an annual amount of 10 percent of the grant, from tax monies and not from endowment or gift, to maintain the library.

Oklahoma communities received \$464,500 in twenty-four Carnegie grants between 1899 and 1916. Construction of the first two public library buildings in Oklahoma Territory (Oklahoma City, 1899 and Guthrie, 1901) were Carnegie grants. Oklahoma City and Muskogee, 1910, received the largest for \$60,000.

Andrew Carnegie insisted that the libraries he helped to create were kept 'free'. He was concerned that later cuts in municipal budgets could lead to admission charges for library use. The Trustee's of such libraries had to accept a form of agreement which specifically stated "The Library shall be free to the people forever." In many of these libraries he insisted that the word "Free" be engraved in stone on the building to ensure that the library would always be free to the public.



are other ways as well. You'd also find this record by searching "Walters, Barbara." To get that kid-in-a-candy-store feeling, go back to the "Search the Library Catalog by" screen, and click on "General Keyword." Now type in "downloadable" on the "Search for" line, click "go" and presto, you'll see all the downloadable records we've put online.

We're adding more every day. Some records include links to hear an excerpt of the recording; others link only to the complete recording. Currently, all the records that have been uploaded link to recordings in wma format, although some link to excerpts in MP3. Records for MP3 recordings will be added later.

What kind of material is available in this format? Just about every kind of material there is, from novels by Nora Roberts and John Grisham to Scott McClellan's Bush White House memoir, *What Happened*.

We all owe a big round of applause to the staff in the MLS Cataloging Department who have worked so hard to make sure these records are easy for you to search.

And if there's a better way for us to put you in contact with the available material, we'll find it.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

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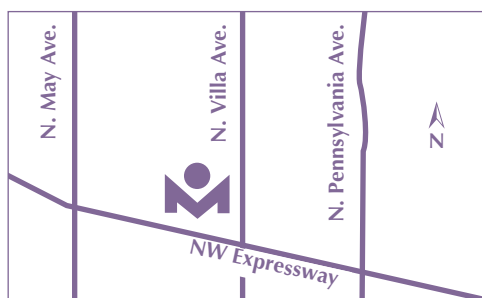
All Metropolitan Library System libraries will be closed July 3 and 4 in observance of the 4th of July holiday.

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



Neighborhood Arts Presents: Al Bostick and Creative Creation

July 2 | Thur | 3-4p
All ages



A look at creation myths from different cultures.

Parent Talk

July 9 | Thur | 9a-Noon
Adults



Sessions include discussion about the normal range of early development as well as any parenting questions you may have in the areas of Speech, Language, Development and Behavior. Child need not be present at the session. Facilitators are Katherine Broekhuysen and Tracy Goebel. Call 425-4412 to schedule an appointment. Co-sponsor: OCCHD. Child Guidance Division.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Balcum Rancum Puppetry in Mythical Mischief

July 9 | Thur | 3-4p
All ages



Creativity in the arts and theatre presented by puppets!

Hip Hop Dance

July 10 | Fri | 2-3p
Teens



Teens

So you think you can dance? Or do you need to learn the basics of how to break, pop, and lock? Attack the floor and pick up a few moves from our dance instructor. Pre-register.

Blues at Belle Isle: Musical Performance with Justin Witte

July 12 | Sun | 2-3p
All ages



Musician Justin Witte will perform. The Oklahoma Gazette says Justin Witte "plays straightforward acoustic blues with a soulful quality that is far too uncommon in today's music landscape. A guitar, harmonica, and a voice were all he needed to craft his latest album." Come and enjoy the music.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Storyteller Joe Hayes and ¡Story Fiesta!

July 16 | Thur | 3-4p
All ages



Come and hear the whole enchilada! Santa Fe author and storyteller Joe Hayes tells a spicy mix of bilingual cuentos, Native American stories and tall tales.

Score Small Business Counseling July 18 | 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.

OKC Knit Guild

July 19 | Sun | 3-5p
Teens and Adults

Everyone—any knitter or a person who's never knitted, but would like to learn, is welcome. Each monthly program includes a lesson of a new knitting technique and examples of charity knitting projects. For questions about the group, e-mail the guild at metrookcknitguild@gmail.com or call 436-0466. Co-sponsor: Metro OKC Knit Guild.

Winning at Parenting

July 21, 28 | Tue | 5:30-7p
Parents and caregivers of
children up to age 12



For tips on how to parent with wit and wisdom attend this video-based 3 part series. Winning at Parenting is from the series "Kids Are Worth It" by Barbara Coloroso. Facilitated by Katherine Borekhuysen. Pre-register at 425-4412. Co-sponsor: OCCHD-Child Guidance Division.

Children's Metro MusicFest: Dino O'Dell and the Veloci-Rappers

July 23 | Thur | 7-8p
All ages



It's an interactive musical journey featuring itty bitty monsters, a space alien, and a swimming pond filled with peanut butter!



NEIGHBORHOOD ARTS PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

June 29-July 2

Al Bostick

Creative Creation... Creation Tales from Around the World!
A look at creation myths from different cultures.

July 6-10

Balcum Rancum Puppetry

Mythical Mischief with Puppets
Creativity in the arts and theatre presented by puppets!

July 13-17

Joe Hayes

¡Story Fiesta!

Native American stories and tall tales.



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri
Ralph Ellison 10:30 am Off Site	Bethany 9:30 am 10:30 am	Del City 10:30 am	Edmond 9:30 am 10:30 am	Harrah 10:30 am Off Site
Capitol Hill 1pm	Downtown 1pm	Warr Acres 2pm (6/3-7/15)	Village 1pm	Choctaw 1pm
Midwest City 3pm	Southern Oaks 3pm	3pm (6/3 & 6/10 only)	Belle Isle 3pm	Nicoma Park 3pm



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Bethany Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed



Music With Susan

July 1 | Wed | 10-10:30a

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.



Neighborhood Arts Presents:

Balcum Rancum Puppetry in Mythical Mischief

July 7 | Tue | 9:30-10:30a and 10:30-11:30a

All ages

Creativity in the arts and theatre presented by puppets!



Neighborhood Arts Presents:

Storyteller Joe Hayes and ¡Story Fiesta!

July 14 | Tue

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

All ages

Come and hear the whole enchilada! Santa Fe author and storyteller Joe Hayes tells a spicy mix of bilingual cuentos, Native American stories and tall tales.



Summer Tales For Toddlers

July 15 | Wed | 10-10:30a

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.



Hip Hop Dance

July 16 | Thur | 2-3p

Teens

So you think you can dance? Or do you need to learn the basics of how to break, pop, and lock? Attack the floor and pick up a few moves from our dance instructor. Pre-register.



Fun! Food! & Wii Games!

July 17 | Fri | 10-11:30a

Adults

Board games, Wii games and morning snacks will be waiting for you in the meeting room. An informal get together each month on the 3rd Friday of each month.

Children's Metro MusicFest:

Mr. Stinky Feet and the Hiccups

July 21 | Tue | 1-2p

All ages

Mr. Stinky Feet has a laid-back style that connects with children and has made him a cool favorite with parents.



Story & Craft Time

July 22 | Wed | 10-10:45a

Ages 3-8

Share a half-hour of fun with your child! Enjoy stories and a fun craft. Pre-register at the library Information Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.



Double Play Tuba and Flute

July 28 | Tue | 1-1:45p

All ages

Great stories in music will be presented by Amy Ridings, flutist, and Patrick Sciannella, tubist. Children will enjoy Prokofiev's "Peter and the Wolf" and Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" and more!



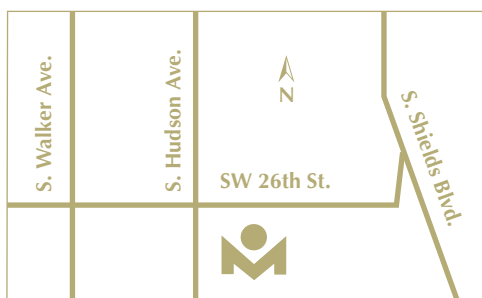
Chinese Brush Painting

July 30 | Thur | 2-3:30p

Teens

Learn ancient techniques for making traditional paintings from Asia. Use ink and brushes to express yourself and create your own artwork to bring home! Supplies provided. Pre-register.



Capitol Hill Library334 SW 26th St., OKC
(405) 634-6308**HOURS**Mon-Thur: 9-8
Fri: 9-6Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed**Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance**
July 2,9,16,23,30 | Thur | 6-7:30p
Adults

Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance of Oklahoma meets each Thursday evening for group support, films, lectures, etc.

Neighborhood Arts Presents:
Balcum Rancum Puppetry in
Mythical Mischief**July 6 | Mon | 1-2p**
All ages

Held at the Oklahoma Opry. Creativity in the arts and theatre presented by puppets!

**C.H.A.W.****July 6 | Mon | 3-4p**
Teens

Are you an artist? A writer? Both? Join C.H.A.W., the Capitol Hill Artists and Writer's club, every Friday this summer to share your art and ideas, and get creative with other young artists. If you want to find out more, contact Angela at 634-6308.

**Summer Crafts - Artesanias****July 7,14,21 | Tue | 1-2p**
Ages 5-11

A different craft for each week will result in an item for each child to take home. All supplies will be provided free. A sign-up sheet will be available in the library. Limited to 15.

GameFest**July 8 | Wed | 2-4p**
Teens

Game on! Bring your friends and play video games like Guitar Hero, Wii Sports, Super Smash Bros, DDR, Rock Band, and more. Games are rated E, E10+, and T. Pre-register.

**Neighborhood Arts Presents:**
Storyteller Joe Hayes and
¡Story Fiesta!**July 13 | Mon | 1-2p**
All ages

Come and hear the whole enchilada! Santa Fe author and storyteller Joe Hayes tells a spicy mix of bilingual cuentos, Native American stories and tall tales.

**Henna Body Art****July 15 | Wed | 2-3p**
Teens

For over 5,000 years, henna has been used in India, Africa, and the Middle East to create elaborate body art. Learn about this ancient art of decorating the hands and feet. Henna tattoos stain the outer layers of skin and are non-permanent, but can last 1-2 weeks. Pre-register.

**Lotions and Lip Gloss****July 18 | Sat | 11a-12:30p**
Adults

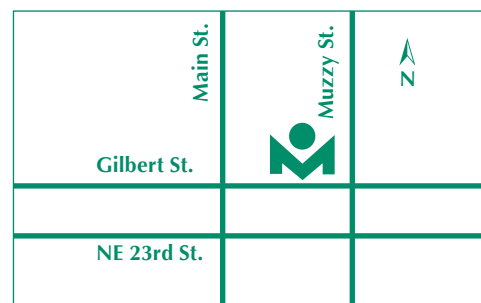
In this program you will make body lotion and lip gloss, from a variety of oils and fragrances like cocoa butter, soybean oil, beeswax, and vanilla. Once the base has been established, it is easy to create different combinations of each one. Great for personal use, or given as a gift. Register for this class by calling 634-6308, or signing up at the Reference Desk.

Children's Metro MusicFest:
The Doo-Dads**July 20 | Mon | 1-2p**
All ages

Four awesome dads mix rockabilly, blues, country, and high-energy rock 'n roll with a unique sense of humor that parents can really appreciate!

**Hip Hop Dance****July 22 | Wed | 2-3p**
Teens

So you think you can dance? Or do you need to learn the basics of how to break, pop, and lock? Attack the floor and pick up a few moves from our dance instructor. Pre-register.

**Choctaw Library**2525 Muzzy St., Choctaw
(405) 390-8418**HOURS**Mon-Thur: 9-8
Fri: 9-6Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed**Fun Science @ the Library:**
From Liquid Nitrogen to Ice Cream
July 6 | Mon | 2:30-3:30p
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 science demonstration. This fun program will delight and mesmerize young people. Pre-registration required.

Lapsit Story Time**July 7,14,21,28 | 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.

**Story Time****July 7,14,21,28 | 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.

**Graffiti****July 9 | Thur | 6-7:30p**
Teens

Express yourself! A local artist will teach the basics of graffiti as an art form and show you how to make a street art-style masterpiece. Graffiti is a true art form that can be practiced without breaking the law, like on canvas or in designated areas. Pre-register.

**Neighborhood Arts Presents:**
Balcum Rancum Puppetry in
Mythical Mischief**July 10 | Fri | 1-2p**
All ages

Creativity in the arts presented by puppets!



It's New! It's Fun!
It's Metropolitan Library System's

CHILDREN'S Metro MusicFest!



Monty Harper - July 19 at 2pm
 Downtown Library
 300 Park Avenue (231-8650)

DooDads - July 20 at 1pm
 Capitol Hill Library
 334 SW 16th (634-6308)

DooDads - July 20 at 7pm
 Midwest City Library
 8143 E. Reno (732-4828)

Mr. Stinky Feet & the Hiccups (Jim Cosgrove)
 July 21 at 1pm
 Bethany Library
 3510 N. Mueller (789-8363)

Mr. Stinky Feet & the Hiccups (Jim Cosgrove)
 July 21 at 7pm
 Southern Oaks Library
 6900 S. Walker (631-4468)

Bongo Barry - July 22 at 10:30am
 Del City Library
 4509 SE 15th (672-1377)

Bongo Barry - July 22 at 2pm
 Warr Acres Library
 5901 NW 63rd (721-2616)

Dino O'Dell and the Velocirappers
 July 23 at 1pm
 Edmond Library
 10 S. Boulevard (341-9282)

Dino O'Dell and the Velocirappers
 July 23 at 7pm
 Belle Isle Library
 5501 N. Villa (843-9601)

Funky Mama - July 24 at 10:30am
 Ralph Ellison Library
 1918 NE 23rd (424-1437)

Funky Mama - July 24 at 2pm
 The Village Library
 10307 N. Pennsylvania (755-0710)

Buffalofitz - July 24 at 10:30am
 Harrah Library
 1930 N. Church Avenue, Harrah (454-2001)

Buffalofitz - July 24 at 1pm
 Choctaw Library
 25235 Muzzy Street (390-8418)

Buffalofitz - July 24 at 3pm
 Nicoma Park Library
 2240 Overholser, Nicoma Park (769-9452)



Family Place: Open Play
July 11 | Sat | 10-11a
Ages 6 months to 5 yrs
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.

Book Blast Club
July 11, 18, 25 | Sat | 2:30-3:30p
Grades 2-3

Join the Book Blast Club for fun reads. We will discuss a great book, have a snack, play a game or make a craft. Check with a librarian to find out what book to read each week. Copies of the book will be available at the Reference Desk. Pre-registration is required by calling 390-8418 or stop by the desk to sign-up.

Creative Kids
July 13 | Mon | 2:30-3:30p
All Ages

How creative are you? We will supply the art materials and you create. Please pre-register at 390-8418.

Terrific Three's
July 14 | Tue | 2:30-3:30p
Parents and caregivers of young children



Come join in as we discuss characteristics of the three-year-old-child. We will explore the areas of language, physical, social, and emotional development. Bring your questions with you. Facilitated by Teresa Widick and Cheryl Custer.

Pre-register 425-4412. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Department.

Children Reading to Dogs
July 15 | Wed | 2:30-3:30p
Children who can read

These dogs lend you their ears! They listen while you read to them. Children read to an uncritical and appreciative audience, while improving reading skills. All dogs and owners are trained and certified as dog therapy teams. Please pre-register at 390-8418.

Face Painting
July 16 | Thur | 6-7p
Teens



Teens

Teens! Drop in with your friends and get your face painted. Watch and learn as a local artist shows you how it's done, from butterflies and glitter to scars and monsters. Pre-register.

Neighborhood Arts Presents:
Storyteller Joe Hayes and ¡Story Fiesta!



July 17 | Fri | 1-2p
All ages

Come and hear the whole enchilada! Santa Fe author and storyteller Joe Hayes tells a spicy mix of bilingual cuentos, Native American stories and tall tales.

Diabetes 101: Comprehensive Education Workshop
July 18 | Sat | 9a-Noon
Adults

This workshop will focus on management to stress the importance of caring for and maintaining diabetes. Resource materials

will be provided at no cost. Pre-registration required. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma Chapter American Diabetes Association

Wire Wrap Jewelry
July 20 | Mon | 2:30-3:30p
Ages 6 and older

This workshop will show children how to do basic wire wrapping with 24 gauge color craft wiring, shells, stones and coins to create jewelry. George Findley, a member of the Shawnee Gem and Mineral Society with years of experience, will facilitate the workshop. Please pre-register as space is limited! Co-sponsor: Shawnee Gem and Mineral Society.

Chinese Brush Painting
July 23 | Thur | 6-7:30p
Teens



Teens

Learn ancient techniques for making traditional paintings from Asia. Use ink and brushes to express yourself and create your own artwork to bring home! Supplies provided. Pre-register.

Children's Metro MusicFest:
Buffalofitz
July 24 | Fri | 1-2p
All ages



Buffalo Rogers and Fitz Jennings, a roots-based acoustic duo, present traditional music using mandolin, harmonica, guitar, accordion and vocals.

Choctaw Anime/Manga Club**July 25 | Sat | 2:30-3:30p****Teens**

Share and discuss your favorite Anime and Manga. Screen new Anime episodes every month! Other events and activities are in the works, so join in and make this a great club.

Fishing Derby**July 27 | Mon | 2:30-3:30p****All Ages**

Be creative and help us celebrate the end of summer reading. Join us for our annual fishing derby. Fish for prizes, create with sidewalk chalk, get tattoos, and have a cool treat. Please pre-register at 390-8418.

Hip Hop Dance**July 30 | Thur | 6-7p****Teens**

So you think you can dance? Or do you need to learn the basics of how to break, pop, and lock? Attack the floor and pick up a few moves from our dance instructor. Pre-register.

Tween Gamefest**July 31 | Fri | 2:30-4p****Ages 8-12**

Game on! Bring your friends and play video games like Guitar Hero, Wii Sports, Super Smash Bros, DDR, Rock Band, and more. Games are rated E and E10+. Pre-register.

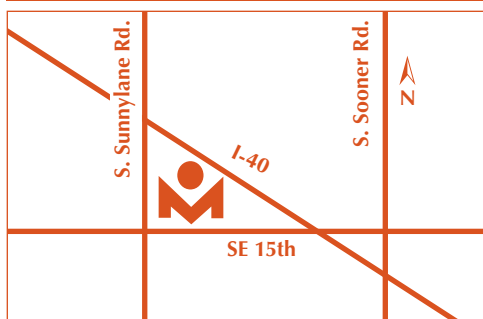
Del City Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed

**Neighborhood Arts Presents: Al Bostick and Creative Creation****July 1 | Wed****10:30-11:30a****All ages**

A look at creation myths from different cultures.

**Del City Book Club****July 6 | Mon | 7-8p****Adults**

Del City Book Club meets monthly to discuss a book chosen by its members. Join anytime and suggest a title for upcoming meetings! Call 672-1377 for more information and to find out this month's book club pick.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Balcum Rancum Puppetry in Mythical Mischief**July 8 | Wed****10:30-11:30a****All ages**

Creativity in the arts and theatre presented by puppets!

**Play Time****July 9 | Thur | 10-11a****Ages 6 months-3 years**

Cheryl Custer, M. Ed., Speech-Language Pathologist from the Oklahoma City/County Health Department will answer parent's early child development questions while kids play with fun toys.

**Parachute Play****July 13 | Mon | 1-1:30p****Ages 2-4**

Play is a breeze at the Del City Library! We invite parents to bring their pre-schoolers to Parachute Play for some colorful fun. Youngsters can work on cooperation and listening skills while having fun with this windy activity. Call the OK County Health Department at 425-4412 to register.

**Parachute Play****July 13 | Mon | 1:45-2:15p****Ages 4-6**

See description above. Call the OK County Health Department at 425-4412 to register.

**Hip Hop Dance****July 13 | Mon | 6-7p****Teens**

So you think you can dance? Or do you need to learn the basics of how to break, pop, and lock? Attack the floor and pick up a few moves from our dance instructor. Pre-register.

**Magical Storytime****July 14 | Tue | 6:30-7:15p****Ages 4-8**

Spend a summer night enjoying tricks and tales. Children's author and magician David L. Roper, writes for *Highlights*, *Jack and Jill* and other children's magazines. He is sure to provide an evening of magical stories and fun.

Neighborhood Arts Presents:**Storyteller Joe Hayes and ¡Story Fiesta!****July 15 | Wed****10:30-11:30a**

Come and hear the whole enchilada! Santa Fe author and storyteller Joe Hayes tells a spicy mix of bilingual cuentos, Native American stories and tall tales.

**Children's Metro MusicFest:****Bongo Barry****July 22 | Wed****10:30-11:30a****All ages**

Bongo Barry will have everyone beating out a rhythm to get you up and moving around.

**Henna Body Art****July 23 | Thur | 3-4p****Teens**

For over 5,000 years, henna has been used in India, Africa, and the Middle East to create elaborate body art. Learn about this ancient art of decorating the hands and feet. Henna tattoos stain the outer layers of skin and are non-permanent, but can last 1-2 weeks. Pre-register.

**Get a Job! Resumé Workshop****July 28 | Tue | 6-8p****Adults**

Resumé expert, Susan James, covers the basics of resume writing - the purpose of resumes, format & style, what to include, and how to edit. Let us help you find a job! For more information please call 672-1377. Space is limited so please register.

Creative Science Craziiness**July 29 | Wed****10:30-11:15a****All ages**

Get crazy about science at the library! Mad Science Oklahoma comes to the Del City Library to help kids "Be Creative" in the world where art meets science. As entertaining as it is educational, Mad Science encourages scientific literacy in children in an age when science is as vital as reading, writing and arithmetic!

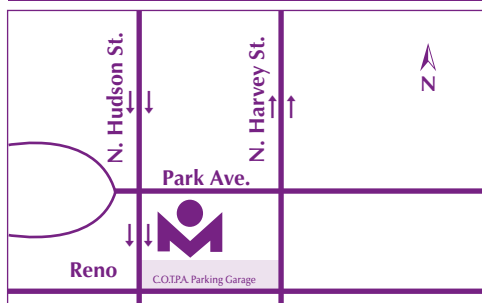


Downtown Library

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

HOURS

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



Wednesday Night at the Movies

July 1,8,15,22,29 | Wed | 6-8p
Ages 13 and older

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

July 1: *Breaking Away* (1979)

July 8: *Lucas* (1986)

July 15: *Big Trouble in Little China* (1986)

July 22: *Where the Heart Is* (2000)

July 29: *Silver Streak* (1976)

Noon Tunes

July 2,9,16,23,30 | Thur
11:30a-12:30p

All ages

Music in the Atrium! Enjoy entertainment during lunch. No food? No problem. Sandwiches and more are available for purchase in the 1st Edition Cafe adjoining the Atrium. Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Metropolitan Library System. Music groups performing in July are:

July 2: *Rees Evans*

July 9: *Erica Thomas & Jerome Braggs*

July 16: *Second Wind*

July 23: *Les Taylor*

July 30: *Smilin' Vic*

Thursday Afternoon Movies

July 2,9,16,23,30 | Thur | 1-3p
All ages

Please join us for a different animated Disney classic every Thursday throughout the month of July. All movies are free and open to the public. Please call 231-8650, ext.4 for more information. July's movies are:

July 2: *The Jungle Book*

July 9: *Pinocchio*

July 16: *Robin Hood*

July 23: *Alice in Wonderland*

July 30: *Peter Pan*

PM Play With Me!

July 2 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p
Birth to 5 years

Join us for fun with toys and friends. A simple craft and a story are included. During snack time, there will be a short discussion on the topic of the month. This group usually meets the first Thursday evening of the month and is limited to families and small groups. Call to register at 231-8650, ext. 4.



Chinese Brush Painting

July 5 | Sun | 2-3:30p
Teens

Learn ancient techniques for making traditional paintings from Asia. Use ink and brushes to express yourself and create your own artwork to bring home! Supplies provided. Pre-register.



Neighborhood Arts Presents: Balcum Rancum Puppetry in Mythical Mischief

July 7 | Tue | 1-2p
All ages

Creativity in the arts and theatre presented by puppets!



Computer Basics: How to Get Started with Microsoft Word

July 7 | Tue | 6-7:30p
All ages

Meet in the Route 66 Computer Lab at the Downtown Library for a beginners computer class. This class will focus on using Microsoft Word: writing, saving, printing and more. We will also go over the fundamentals such as using a mouse, understanding your desktop and more. Please call 231-8650 to sign up.



Preschool Aerobics

July 10 | Fri | 10-10:40
Five years and younger
with adult

Move to fun music and enjoy a story. This program limited to families and small groups. Call 231-8650, ext. 4 to register.



The Serenity of Bach: Second Sunday Summer Series

July 12 | Sun | 2-3p
All Ages

Hear "The Serenity of Bach" with pianist Wayne McEvilly in a three part Second Sunday Summer Series bringing 24 preludes and fugues by Bach. This first concert will be "J.S.Bach" and will include preludes and fugues 1-8. All ages are welcomed to these free concerts at Downtown Library.



Neighborhood Arts Presents: Storyteller Joe Hayes and ¡Story Fiesta!

July 14 | Tue | 1-2p
All ages

Come and hear the whole enchilada! Santa Fe author and storyteller Joe Hayes tells a spicy mix of bilingual cuentos, Native American stories and tall tales.



Music Time with Miss Ginger

July 17 | Fri | 10-10:40a
Ages 2-5

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



Children Reading to Dogs

July 17 | Fri | 3-4p
July 18 | Sat | 3-4p
Children who can read

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



Children's Metro MusicFest: Monty Harper

July 19 | Sun | 2-3p
All ages

Monty Harper kicks off our first annual Children's Music Festival by performing original songs that tell stories and celebrate reading and the arts. Interactive and fun and participatory, Monty's songs engage preschool through fifth grade kids and families. Co-sponsor: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, & National Endowment for the Arts.



Graffiti

July 19 | Sun | 2-3:30p
Teens

Express yourself! A local artist will teach the basics of graffiti as an art form and show you how to make a street art-style masterpiece. Graffiti is a true art form that can be practiced without breaking the law, like on canvas or in designated areas. Pre-register.



Storytime

July 24 | Fri | 10-10:45a
Ages 1-5

Be Creative at your library. Children will enjoy stories, fingerplays, and more. Call to register at 231-8650, ext. 4.



**Oklahoma Guardianship Laws,
Find It: Legal Resources**
July 27 | Mon | 5:30-7p
Adults

Experts about the laws and regulations pertaining to Oklahoma Guardianship laws will speak. This free program is open to the public and everyone is invited who is interested in this information. Meets in the Friends Room on 4th floor of the Downtown Library. For information call 405-713-1355. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma County Law Library.

Parachute Play
July 31 | Fri | 10-10:40a
Ages 2-5

Play games with a parachute, children will practice skills such as: following directions, socializing with others, using language, using small and large muscles and remaining in control during very active play. Call to register at 231-8650, ext. 4. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City County Health Dept.



Edmond Library

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

HOURS

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

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	E. 1st St.		
	E. 2nd St.		

55+ Coffee Break
July 1,8,15,22,29 | Wed | 9:30-11a
Seniors

Come to the Edmond Library for a coffee break made just for you. Coffee, tea, and hot chocolate will be served along with light refreshments. Mingle and talk about your favorite books, enjoy Scrabble, or bring your own game. We will have some books on the side for you to browse.

Parachute Play
July 1 | Wed | 10:30-11a
Ages 3-6

Playing games with a parachute, children will have the opportunity to practice skills such as: following directions, socializing with others, using language, using small and large muscles, and remaining in control during very



active play. Facilitated by Pam Collins and Dan Hester. Class size is limited to 20. Call 425-4412 to register. Co-sponsor: OCCCHD.

**Computer Instruction
with Eddie**
July 1,8,15,22,29 | 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.



English Language/Civics
July 1,6,8,13,15,20,22,27,29
Mon & Wed | 1-4p
Adults

This course is designed to focus on the requirements for passing the U.S. Citizenship course. It is suggested that you call the OCCCH Community College Adult Education office before signing up for this class. You may reach them at 682-7873 if you have questions. Co-sponsor: OCCCH.



ESL
July 1,6,8,13,15,20,22,27,29
Mon & Wed | 5:30-8:30p
Adults

This course is designed for individuals to improve their language skills. Through everyday conversation, students will learn, review, and practice English grammar, vocabulary, and pronunciation. For more information please call OCCCH at 682-7873. Co-sponsor: OCCCH.



**Computer Instruction
with Dave**
July 1,8,15,22,29 | Wed
7-8p

Ages 18 & older
Free! Join Dave for individual computer instruction. Every Wednesday night assistance is offered in increments of 30 minutes to an hour; sign up for your time. Call: (405) 341-9282, ext.4 to register.



**Neighborhood Arts Presents: Al Bostick
and Creative Creation**
July 2 | Thur | 9:30-10:30a
and 10:30-11:30a
All ages

A look at creation myths from different cultures.



GED Summer Session
July 2,7,9,14,16,21,23,28,30
Tue & Thur | 5:30-8:30p
Age 18 & older

Must be at least 16, or have permission. This GED class meets Tuesday and Thursday



evenings. Review English, social studies, science and math skills in preparation for the GED test. Materials are provided. Free. Questions? Call OCCCH at 682-7873. Co-sponsor: OCCCH.

Children Reading to Dogs
July 2,16,30 | Thur
6:30-7:30p

For children who 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.



Farsi Language Class
July 5,12,19,26 | Sun
1:30-2:30p
Adults

Learn the Farsi (Persian) language from an expert. Class moves rapidly. There will be a materials fee of \$20 per month, payable to the instructor. Call 341-9282 if you have questions. Both written and spoken Farsi will be introduced.



Preschool Story Time
July 6,13,20,27 | Mon
10-10:30a
Ages 3-5

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



GameFest
July 7 | Tue | 1-3p
Teens

Game on! Bring your friends and play video games like Guitar Hero, Wii Sports, Super Smash Bros, DDR, Rock Band, and more. Games are rated E, E10+, and T. Pre-register.



Barn Dancing
July 7 | Tue | 2-3p
Ages 7 and older

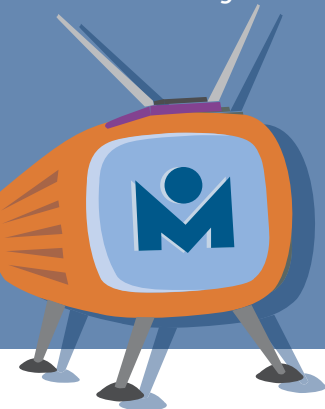
Around the turn of the century, barn dancing was the way to have lots of fun. Folks socialized, met new neighbors and enjoyed an activity where everyone could kick up their heels together. Get out from in front of your video games and join Jean Hill to learn some of those dances from a time gone by.



READ ABOUT IT

Discussions With Authors & Book Reviews

Cox Channel 7 (OKC Metro area)
Sat. mornings at 10:30am



OKLAHOMA CITY— Romance and suspense in a small town, the exploits of early fur traders and a photo essay of the American farmer 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 4 Paul Mobley, professional photographer and 2009 Western Heritage Award winner, will discuss *American Farmer*.

July 11 Molly Griffis, award-winning children's author, will discuss *Once in a Blue Moon*, a book about Alzheimer's.

July 18 Bob Burke, prolific non-fiction author, will discuss *Bounty of Nature*, a look at early fur traders in America.

July 25 Jodi Thomas, who writes about Texas and family dynamics, will discuss *Rewriting Monday*.

Guests and program schedules are subject to change without notice.

Parenting Strengths and Struggles

July 8,15 | Wed | 10a-Noon Adults



Are you a "home-body" or do you like to be "on the go"? Do you see the "big picture" or are you "detail-oriented"? Do you make decisions with your head or your heart? Do you a "go with the flow" or are you a "list-maker"? What is your "parenting style"? In this two session class you will discover your personality type and how it affects your parenting style. You will complete a personality inventory to help you identify your personality type and receive the book *MotherStyles—Using Personality Type to Discover Your Parenting Strengths* by Janet Penley. A fee of \$15 will be charged to cover the cost of the book and personality inventory. Call 425 4412 to register. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Parent Talk

**July 8 | Wed | 10:30a-5p
For parents or caregivers
of young children**



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

New Old Games

**July 8 | Wed | 1:30-3:30p
Ages 8-12**

These old games are made new again by introducing them to children who have not played them before. This workshop includes

active games, quiet games, mind games & 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. Facilitators: Pam Collins and Dan Hester. Call 425-4412 to register. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Balcum Rancum Puppetry in Mythical Mischief

**July 9 | Thur | 9:30-10:30a
and 10:30-11:30a**



All ages

Creativity in the arts and theatre presented by puppets!

Stamp Club

**July 11,25 | Sat | 10a-Noon
4th grade and older**

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

Reader's Choice Book Discussion

**July 11 | Sat | 10:30a-Noon
Adults**

Are you an avid reader who would love to discuss excellent contemporary fiction with others? Then plan to join the Reader's Choice Book Discussion group, where you will find other people who would like to choose from the best of fiction. Group meets once per month. The book for July is *Atmospheric Disturbances* by Rivka Galchen.

The Edmond Book Bunch

**July 11 | Sat | 2-3:30p
Seniors**

This book group was created for seniors in

the Edmond Community who would like to discuss outstanding novels. To find out July's selection, check with the Reference Desk at the Edmond Library. Books should be available to reserve from the library.

Nutrition and Aging

**July 14 | Tue | 10-11a
Seniors**

Sharon Barlett, RN, with Optimum Home Health Care, will be educating the community on how the foods you eat affect different aspects of your health with possible correlations to specific diseases. In addition to the informational handouts, there will be handouts of delicious, healthy recipes to take home with you!

Readers' Theatre: Acting Without Memorizing

**July 14 | Tue | 3-4p
Ages 8-11**

Do you like to be in plays, but you don't want to memorize your part? Do you like to talk like other people or animals? Can you sound like a wizard, a king, a grumpy bear or a robot? Then Readers' Theatre might be for you! Join us and try out this fun and easy way to develop your acting talents. Pre-register by calling 341-9282, x 4 or stop by the Children's Desk at the library.

Chinese Brush Painting July 14 | Tue | 7-8:30p Teens



Teens

Learn ancient techniques for making traditional paintings from Asia. Use ink and brushes to express yourself and create your own artwork to bring home! Supplies provided. Pre-register.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Storyteller Joe Hayes and ¡Story Fiesta!**July 16 | Thur**
9:30-10:30a and
10:30-11:30a**All ages**

Come and hear the whole enchilada! Santa Fe author and storyteller Joe Hayes tells a spicy mix of bilingual cuentos, Native American stories and tall tales.

**Metropolitan Library Commission of Oklahoma County****July 16 | Thur | 3:30-5p**

Edmond Library
10 S. Boulevard
Edmond, OK 73034
405.341.9282

The public is welcome to attend.

**Music With Susan****July 17 | Fri | 11-11:30a****Ages 4-5**

Join Susan in musical activities designed especially for this age group. Please register for these programs beginning July 1 by calling 341-9282, ext. 4.

**Advanced Basic Computers for Seniors****July 18 | Sat | 2-3p****Adults**

We will begin with a discussion and demonstration of the Internet. We will also discuss e-mail. Included topics will be: How to send e-mail, automatic filing of mail in desired folders, and attaching pictures or files to e-mail. Attention will also be given to digital pictures, connecting the camera to the computer, uploading pictures, and using a flash drive. Call 341-9282 to register.

**Circus of the Arts with Steve Crawford****July 21 | Tue | 10-11a****Children**

Circus of the Arts has it all! You will be educated and entertained as you watch a variety of acts. You'll also see, first hand, how music creates mood and fits specific characters and personalities. The entire show is an experience in theater and acting, as it is presented as a play, telling the story of one man's dream.

**Sustainable Edmond****July 21 | Tue | 6:30-8p****Adults**

Sustainable Edmond, a chapter of the Oklahoma Sustainability Network, is a nonprofit organization dedicated to educating the public about implementing more earth-friendly public policies. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma Sustainability Network.

Hip Hop Dance**July 21 | Mon | 7-8p****Teens**

So you think you can dance? Or do you need to learn the basics of how to break, pop, and lock? Attack the floor and pick up a few moves from our dance instructor. Pre-register.

**Me, Myself and I: Making a Paper Bag Book****July 22 | Wed | 10-11a****Ages 7-12**

Here's another way be creative! Come join Miss Diane and learn to make a scrapbook using paper bags, colored paper, stamps, and trimmings. ***Please bring copies of 8 to 10 photos showing who you are and the things you like to do. Registration is limited to 15. Please stop by the children's desk or call 341-9282, x4 to enroll. ***Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend and lend a helping hand.

Using Communication Skills to Build Self Esteem**July 22 | Wed | 3:30-5p****Adults**

Young children feel good when they are able to communicate their wants and needs to their parents, caregivers and friends. Feeling good about oneself equals more good behavior. We will discuss fun ways to stimulate language development, enhance your relationship with your child and therefore build self esteem. FREE. Please call 425-4412 to enroll. Parents, teachers and childcare providers are always invited to attend. All workshops have been approved for childcare licensing and STARS credit. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

**Children's Metro MusicFest:****Dino O'Dell and the Veloci-Rappers****July 23 | Thur | 1-2p****All ages**

It's an interactive musical journey featuring itty bitty monsters, a space alien, and a swimming pond filled with peanut butter!

**Musical Stories with the OKC Philharmonic****July 28 | Tue | 2-3p****Ages 5-12**

Musical Stories focuses on storytelling with accompanying music. Music has been composed to supplement children's books. A string quartet accompanies the stories as they are being narrated. This program includes classical and popular quartet music with interactive talks with the audience. Following the performance the musicians and the instruments will be available for a



closer look. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City Philharmonic.

Unique Board Games**July 29 | Wed | 1:30-3:30p****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. Facilitators: Pam Collins and Dan Hester. Call 425-4412 to register. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Shoebox Theatre**July 30 | Thur | 10:30-11:30a****Ages 4-12**

In this workshop, presented by Science Museum Oklahoma, kids will be guided through making their own shoebox theatre, using the science of the theatre. Participants will experience the fun and gratification of creating all the tools they need to put on their own diorama play based on an Aesop fable. Please register, beginning July 13th, at the Children's Desk or call 341-9282, x4. ***Each participant needs to bring a shoebox for this workshop. Parents are welcome to come along and lend a helping hand. Co-sponsor: Science Museum Oklahoma.

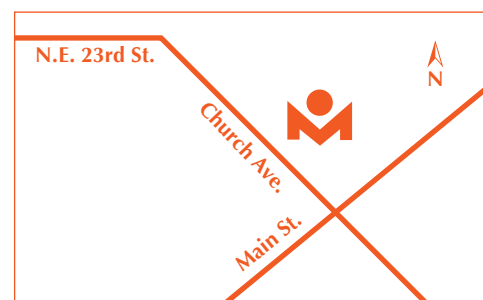
Harrah Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed

**Neighborhood Arts Presents: Balcum Rancum Puppetry in Mythical Mischief****July 10 | Fri**
10:30-11:30a**All ages**

Held at the Harrah Methodist Church. Creativity in the arts and theatre presented by puppets!



Express Yourself

Teen Summer Programs Schedule

Chinese Brush Painting

6/8	11am	Southern Oaks
6/11	6:30pm	Warr Acres
6/16	2pm	Belle Isle
6/23	1pm	The Village
7/5	2pm	Downtown
7/14	7pm	Edmond
7/23	6pm	Choctaw
7/30	2pm	Bethany

Trick My Booktruck

6/25	6:30-8pm	Warr Acres
7/27	2-4pm	Midwest City
7/29	3-5pm	Ralph Ellison

Face Painting

6/7	2pm	Downtown
6/10	3pm	Ralph Ellison
6/25	2pm	Bethany
7/16	6pm	Choctaw

Sidewalk Chalk

6/2	3pm	Edmond
6/4	6pm	Choctaw
6/4	10:30am	Southern Oaks
7/8	3pm	Ralph Ellison
7/17	2pm	Midwest City

Gamefest

6/11	2-4pm	Bethany
6/18	6-7:30pm	Choctaw
6/23	1-4pm	Belle Isle
6/24	1-3pm	The Village
6/25	6-7:30pm	Choctaw
6/28	2-4pm	Southern Oaks
6/30	6-8pm	Del City
7/6	3-5pm	Midwest City
7/7	1-3pm	Edmond
7/8	2-4pm	Capitol Hill
7/16	6:30-8pm	Warr Acres
7/26	2-4pm	Southern Oaks

Graffiti

6/9	5pm	Edmond
6/10	2pm	Capitol Hill
6/15	6pm	Del City
6/17	11am	Southern Oaks
7/8	4pm	Midwest City
7/9	6pm	Choctaw
7/14	4pm	The Village
7/19	2pm	Downtown
7/22	4pm	Ralph Ellison

Wizard Rock Concert:

6/9: 6-9pm @ Midwest City Library

Henna Body Art

6/2	1pm	The Village
6/11	6pm	Choctaw
6/16	3pm	Edmond
6/24	3pm	Ralph Ellison
6/25	6pm	Downtown
7/6	11am	Southern Oaks
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7/23	3pm	Del City
7/24	2pm	Midwest City

Hip Hop Dance

7/10	2pm	Belle Isle
7/11	5:30pm	Ralph Ellison
7/13	6pm	Del City
7/15	6:30pm	Midwest City
7/16	2pm	Bethany
7/21	7pm	Edmond
7/22	2pm	Capitol Hill
7/23	6:30pm	Warr Acres
7/24	11am	Southern Oaks
7/25	3pm	The Village
7/30	6pm	Choctaw



Tail Waggin Tutors

July 11 | Sat | 9a-Noon
Grades K-6

Come share a book with Duke the Therapy dog, He is trained to listen as children practice their reading skills. Call 454-2001 for information.



Neighborhood Arts Presents: Storyteller Joe Hayes and ¡Story Fiesta!

July 17 | Fri | 10:30-11:30a
All ages

Held at the Harrah Methodist Church. Come and hear the whole enchilada! Joe Hayes tells a spicy mix of bilingual cuentos, Native American stories and tall tales.



Children's Metro MusicFest: Buffalofitz

July 24 | Fri
10:30-11:30a

All ages

Held at the Harrah Methodist Church. Buffalo Rogers and Fitz Jennings, an acoustic duo, present traditional music using mandolin, harmonica, guitar, accordion and vocals.



Circus of the Arts

July 29 | Wed | 10:30a
Age 3 and older

Held at the United Methodist Church. Circus of the Arts is an experience in magic, theatre, & acting. It is presented as a play, telling the story of one man's dream. The audience will see the art of balloon sculpture, the art of chapeau-graphy (making hats out of a felt ring), the art of improv, storytelling, and the art of juggling. Young people in the



audience magically become artists, demonstrating the art of magic, the art of balancing, & the art of weight lifting.

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



Troy Scott's Amazing July 7 | Tue | 2-2:45p

All ages

Held at Jones Community Center, 120 W. Atlanta. Come, see, play! Just for summer reading, Troy Scott brings out his special brand of fun but will it be improvisation games or magic tricks? You'll have to attend to find out.



Queen of Storyville

July 14 | Tue | 2-2:45p
All ages

Held at Jones Community Center, 120 W. Atlanta. Author, playwright and storyteller, DWe Williams tells stories from around the



world—making her Queen of Storyville. Bring your favorite friends and a comfy cushion to relax while hearing stories you are sure to love.

Soap Making

July 21 | Tue | 2-2:45p
All ages

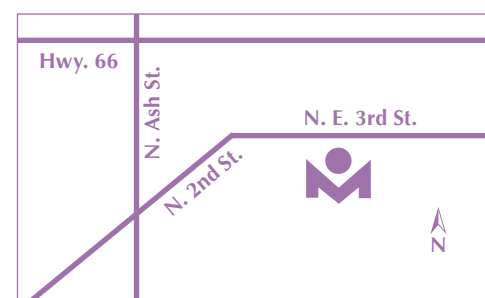
Held at Jones Community Center, 120 W. Atlanta. Join Kelly Thompson as she makes soap from scratch using the cold process method with items you can find around the house. Make soap by hand with your friends, family or to new make friends. You'll even get to take some soap samples home!

Luther Library

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

HOURS

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



Troy Scott's Amazing July 10 | Fri | 2-2:45p All ages

Come, see, play! Just for summer reading, Troy



Scott brings out his special brand of fun but will it be improvisation games or magic tricks? You'll have to attend to find out.

Queen of Storyville

July 17 | Fri | 2-2:45p

All ages

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Soap Making

July 24 | Fri | 2-2:45p

All ages

Join Kelly Thompson as she makes soap from scratch using the cold process method with items you can find around the house. Use your creativity to make soap by hand with your friends, family or to new make friends. You'll even get to take some soap samples home!

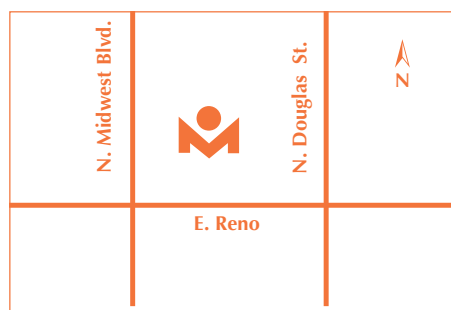
Midwest City Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6



Parachute Play

July 1 | Wed | 10:30-11a

Ages 3-6 with parents

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



Adult Movie Night

July 1 | Wed | 5-7p

Adults

July's Adult Movie is a classic 1957 film starring Jack Klugman and Henry Fonda. Both men serve as two of a 12 member jury that must decide the guilt or innocence of an American defendant. The crime committed implies the case is open and shut however,

the case transforms into a drama. To attend please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Reptiles and Amphibians!

July 2 | Thur | 7:30-8:45p

All Ages

Come join the Oklahoma City Herpetological Society on the first Thursday of each month at the Midwest City Library! If you are interested in reptiles and amphibians, these meetings are for you. The OCHS promotes the scientific study and conservation of herps, emphasizing regional herpetology. This is your chance to learn about herps, and even show off your own. Any properly caged, nonvenomous reptiles or amphibians are welcome. For more information, call Larry Daniel at 737-8331, or send him an e-mail at jostoy1@aol.com. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City Herpetological Society.

Community Quilting Class with the Soldier Creek Quilting Group

July 6,13,20,27 | 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 and assist other members. A supply list is available at the Information Desk. Contact Mary Okulski at 733-0564 for more information. Co-sponsor: Soldier Creek Quilting Group.

Job Readiness Class

July 6,20 | Mon | 10-11a and 6-7p

Adults

Need to revise or create a resumé? The Midwest City Library, in partnership with Rose State College Job Placement and Career Services, will offer a Job Ready Class the first and third Monday during the month of July. Class times are 10-11a.m. or 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. We will focus on resume writing. To attend please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Co-sponsor: Rose State Job Placement and Career Service.

GameFest

July 6 | Mon | 3-5p

Teens

Game on! Bring your friends and play video games like Guitar Hero, Wii Sports, Super Smash Bros, DDR, Rock Band, and more. Games are rated E, E10+, and T. Pre-register.



Neighborhood Arts Presents:

Balcum Rancum Puppetry in Mythical Mischief

July 6 | Mon | 3-4p

All ages

Creativity in the arts and theatre presented by puppets!



Movies

July 7,14,21,28 | Tue | 10a-Noon

All Ages

Join us for popcorn and a different movie every week. All movies are rated G or PG. Ask at the Information Desk to find out this week's movie.

Crocheting and Knitting

July 7,14,28 | Tue | 10a-Noon

July 22 | Wed | 10a-Noon

All Ages

Crocheting and knitting is a hobby for all ages. Instructor Kathy Brown will guide participants, regardless of experience, on how to make wonderful items. This program is free; needles and thread will be provided. To attend please register at 732-4828 or at the Information Desk.

Kid's Video Game Party

July 7 | Tue | 4-6p

Ages 6-12

Calling all kids. Come to the library for an afternoon of video gaming. We will have Nintendo Wii, Playstation 2 and Gamecube. All games are rated E or E10+. Registration is required. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up

YA Board Games

July 7 | Tue | 5:30-7p

Ages 10-16

Want to play Monopoly, Chess, Uno or Sorry? Come to the YA area every Tuesday for board games and fun!!

Mid-Del Toastmasters

July 7,14,21,28 | Tue | 6-8p

Adults

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.

Make and Take

July 7,21 | Tue | 6:30-8p

All Ages

Come to a Make and Take at the Midwest City Library. All supplies provided by the library. Make gifts and take each gift home with you. To attend please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Graffiti

July 8 | Wed | 4-5:30p

Teens

Express yourself! A local artist will teach the basics of graffiti as an art form and show you how to make a street art-style masterpiece. Graffiti is a true art form that can be practiced without breaking the law, like on canvas or in designated areas. Pre-register.



Weaving at the Midwest City Library

July 8,15,22 | Wed | 6-8p

All Ages

Weaving is a wonderful opportunity to create gift items or keepsakes. Instructor Donna Hilton will teach participants how to make beautifully woven items. This program is free and all supplies are provided by the library. Please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Family Fun & Fitness Day

July 9,16,23 | Thur

10a-Noon

Age 5 and older w/parents



Join us at the library for fun activities and yummy snacks for the whole family. You'll have such a good time, you won't even realize that you are learning fitness and healthy living skills. To sign up call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk. Co-sponsor: Healthy Family Fun & Fitness Foundation.

Games From Around the World

July 9 | Thur | 1:30-3:30p

Ages 8-12

Learn something about the world while playing Games From Around the World. Find it on the map and learn about the people. Facilitated by Pam Collins and Dan Hester. Class size limited to 15. Register by calling 425-4412. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Department.

Soap Creations by Kelly Thompson

July 9 | Thur | 6-8p

Adults

Want to get a jump start on your holiday gift giving that is economical and a gift from the heart? Kelly Thompson, owner of Joy and Gladness Soaps and other Creations from the Heart, will teach participants how to create various soaps (color, size and scent) to fit their gift giving desires. This program is free. Please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Jr. Master Gardening

July 10 | Fri | 9a-Noon

Ages 10-16



In 1972, the Master Gardeners program began at OSU-Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service. Since that time, it is estimated that at least 60,000 people have been trained as Master Gardeners and now the goal is to teach and train Jr. Master Gardener's. As a Jr. Master Gardener students will learn specific gardening techniques and the importance of horticulture. All skill levels are invited to attend. Please bring a snack and register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

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Storyteller Joe Hayes and
¡Story Fiesta!

July 13 | Mon | 3-4p

All ages



Come and hear the whole enchilada! Santa Fe author and storyteller Joe Hayes tells a spicy mix of bilingual cuentos, Native American stories and tall tales.

Teen Movie Night

July 13 | Mon | 5-7p

Ages 10-16



Based on the popular vampire series written by Stephanie Meyer, the Midwest City Library will show the equally successful movie about teens, vampires and romance. Shortly after the film we will discuss the topic/theme of each movie and your likes/dislikes. Please register at 405-732-4828 or at the Information Desk.

Lunch and Learn Series

July 14 | Tue | 12:30-1:30p

Adults

The Midwest City Library will offer a free lunch seminar called Build a Basic Budget: The Five-Step Spending Plan. The program spells out in step-by-step detail how to draw your own financial blueprint for action. Each participant will come away with a personal action plan, plenty of ideas for how to save money, and a better understanding of how to track where your money goes. Don't miss this valuable opportunity to put yourself in control of your finances. Lunch will be served. Please register at the Information Desk or contact 405-732-4828. Co-sponsor: Allegiance Credit Union.

Play Day

July 14 | Tue | 3-4p

Ages 5-8

Have you ever looked in the Family Room and wished you could go in to play with all the toys? Well here is your chance! Children ages 5 to 8 can join us for an hour of free play, games and activities. For more information or to sign-up, call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk.

Children Reading to Dogs

July 14,28 | Tue | 7-7:30p

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 too. It is especially valuable in building self confidence and self-esteem for those needing an uncritical, appreciative, listening audience to improve

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

Hip Hop Dance

July 15 | Wed | 6:30-7:30p

Teens



So you think you can dance? Or do you need to learn the basics of how to break, pop, and lock? Attack the floor and pick up a few moves from our dance instructor. Pre-register.

Eric Carle Collage

July 16 | Thur | 3-4p

Children of all ages

Join us for an afternoon of collage. We will use paper scraps to create Eric Carle style collages.

Sidewalk Chalk

July 17 | Fri | 2-4p

Teens



It's time for some guerilla chalking. Help the YA librarian decorate the library entrance way and sidewalk to promote Summer at the Library.

AAA Motor Vehicle Crash Prevention Course

July 18 | 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 \$30 materials fee will apply for nonmembers; for AAA members, the fee is \$20. Pre-registration is required. Call Becci at (800) AAA-CLUB (222-2582). Co-sponsor: AAA.

TeenZone Book Club

July 20 | Mon | 3-4p

Ages 10-16



For July, the book club will read *Skim*. This book is a graphic comic novel about private girls school and the popular kids. Each are freaking out and forming spirit clubs because of a recent tragedy. Prepare to provide your thoughts, impressions, views about the book during our TeenZone Book Club discussion. Books are available at the Information Desk. We will meet in the YA area. See you there!!

Children's Metro MusicFest:

The Doo-Dads

July 20 | Mon | 7-8p

All ages



Four awesome dads mix rockabilly, blues, country, and high-energy rock 'n roll with a unique sense of humor that parents can really appreciate!

Lights! Camera!! Library!!!

THURSDAY AFTERNOON AT THE MOVIES

*Screenings are free and begin at
1pm in the 46th Star auditorium
on the 4th floor.*

July Schedule:

July 2 - Jungle Book

July 9 - Pinocchio

July 16 - Robin Hood

July 23 - Alice in Wonderland

July 30 - Peter Pan



Downtown Library | 300 Park Avenue
Oklahoma City, OK | 606-3862



Lego Mind Storm Robotics

July 21 | Tue | 9a-4p

Ages 10-16

Lego Mind Storm Robotic will introduce young people to the fun and excitement of science and technology while building self-confidence, knowledge and life skills. This event will challenge kids to think like scientists and engineers while solving problems using engineering concepts and presentation techniques. Space is limited. Please register at 405-732-4828 or at the Information Desk.



Midwest City Reader's Society

July 21 | 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. Register and pick up your copy of our current book at the Information Desk, or call 732-4828.

Pajama Story Night

July 21 | Tue | 7-7:30p

Children of All Ages

Bedtime stories for children of all ages. Put on your pajamas and grab your favorite stuffed friend. We will enjoy stories, songs, poems, rhymes and the occasional craft. All children should be accompanied by an adult. Registration is required. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.

Whose Line Is It Anyway?

July 22 | Wed | 4-5p

Ages 10-16

Love to act? Improv? or just have fun? Then join us for Whose Lines is it Anyway? You will have a blast!



Internet Safety

July 22 | Wed | 6-7p

All Ages

The Youth Services for Oklahoma County Inc. will discuss how teens become victims to Internet predators. During this one hour presentation, participants will learn how to protect their identity while using the Internet, cyber-bullying, identity theft, and Internet safety. Pizza and drinks will be served. Please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.



Fall Gardening

July 23 | Tue | 1:30-3p

All Ages

Instructor Ray Ridlan of OSU-OKC Extension will instruct participants on fall gardening. This program is free. Please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

You Can Do Magic!

July 23 | Thur | 2-3p

All Ages

Come to the library to see Dave May, magician and ventriloquist! He will perform some amazing magic tricks and afterwards teach you how to do some tricks of your own.



Candle Making

July 23 | Thur | 6-8p

Ages 10-16

Kelly Thompson, owner of Joy and Gladness Soaps and Creations, will teach the process of candle making. Participants will learn how to make a variety of candle shapes including votive, tea light and pillar candles. You will also learn the "dip" method while also incorporating color and scent. This is a free class. Please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Henna Body Art

July 24 | Fri | 2-3p

Teens

For over 5,000 years, henna has been used in India, Africa, and the Middle East to create elaborate body art. Learn about this ancient art of decorating the hands and feet. Henna tattoos stain the outer layers of skin and are non-permanent, but can last 1-2 weeks. Pre-register.



Chess Club

July 25 | Sat | 11:30a-1p

All Ages

Please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Toddler Aerobics

July 27 | Mon

10-10:30a and 11-11:30a

Ages 2-5 w/parents

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



Trick My Booktruck

July 27 | Mon | 2-4p

Teens 12-17

Customize and trick out a library book cart 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. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma Department of Libraries.



Adult GameFest

July 27 | Mon | 5-7p

Adults

Wii Play, Wii Music and other video games for adults only. Please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Surviving Financial Crisis

July 28 | Tue | 12:30-1:30p

Adults

Surviving Financial Crisis, a free lunch seminar, will teach participants 15 symptoms of financial trouble, what to do if your income is reduced, and how to recession proof your investment strategy. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Music Listening Party

July 29 | Wed | 5-6:30p

Ages 10-16

For more information, please contact Suzette at 405-732-4828.



Unique Board Games

July 30 | Thur | 1:30-3:30p

Ages 8-12

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

Nicoma Park Library

2240 Overholser, Nicoma Park
(405) 769-9452

HOURS

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



Storytime with Ms. Krystal

July 1,8,15,22 | Wed

1:30-2:30p

All ages

Introduce children of all ages to summer reading with Ms. Krystal. There will be stories, songs, games, crafts & refreshments



every Wednesday in July. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Please, pre-register by calling the library @ 769-9452.

Children Reading to Dogs
July 9 | Thur | 3:30-4:30p
Ages 3-12



Children improve their reading skills by reading to a dog. D'Leo and his owner are trained and certified as therapy teams by Therapy Dogs International. Bring your favorite book or choose one of ours to read. For more information please call 769-9452.

Neighborhood Arts Presents:
Balcum Rancum Puppetry in
Mythical Mischief



July 10 | Fri | 3-4p
All ages

Creativity in the arts and theatre presented by puppets!

Choctaw Women's Aglow
July 11 | Sat | 9:40a-Noon
Adults

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

Neighborhood Arts Presents:
Storyteller Joe Hayes and
¡Story Fiesta!



July 17 | Fri | 3-4p
All ages

Come and hear the whole enchilada! Santa Fe author and storyteller Joe Hayes tells a spicy mix of bilingual cuentos, Native American stories and tall tales.

Children's Metro MusicFest:
Buffalofitz



July 24 | Fri | 3-4p
All ages

Buffalo Rogers and Fitz Jennings, a roots-based acoustic duo, present traditional music using mandolin, harmonica, guitar, accordion and vocals.

Steve Crawford's
Circus of the Arts



July 29 | Wed | 1:30p
Age 3 and older

Circus of the Arts is an experience in magic, theatre, & acting. It is presented as a play. The audience will see the art of balloon sculpture, the art of chapeau-graphy (making hats out of a felt ring), the art of improv, storytelling, and the art of juggling. Young people in the audience magically become artists, demonstrating the art of magic, the art of balancing, & the art of weight lifting.

Ralph Ellison Library
Temporary Location

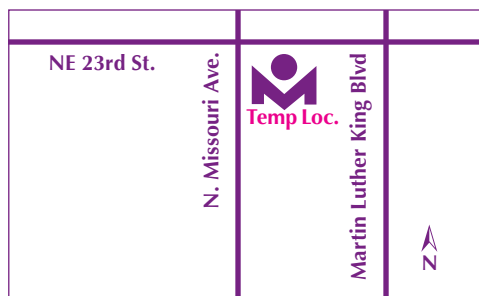
1918 N.E. 23rd, OKC
 (405) 424-1437

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5

Sun: Closed



The Ralph Ellison Library, now located at 1918 N.E. 23rd, will be at this address temporarily while the 2000 NE 23rd location is under an extensive renovation and expansion process.

Neighborhood Arts Presents:
Balcum Rancum Puppetry in
Mythical Mischief



July 6 | Mon
10:30-11:30a
All ages

Held at St. John's Missionary Baptist Church. Creativity in the arts and theatre presented by puppets!

Sidewalk Chalk

July 8 | Wed | 3-5p
Teens



It's time for some guerilla chalking. Help the YA librarian decorate the library entrance way and sidewalk to promote Summer at the Library.

Hip Hop Dance

July 11 | Sat | 5:30-6:30p
Teens



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All ages

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Graffiti

July 22 | Wed | 4-5:30p
Teens



Teens

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Funky Mama

July 24 | Fri
10:30-11:30a
All ages



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Trick My Booktruck

July 29 | Wed | 3-5p
Teens 12-17



Teens

Customize and trick out a library book cart 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. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma Department of Libraries.

Southern Oaks Library

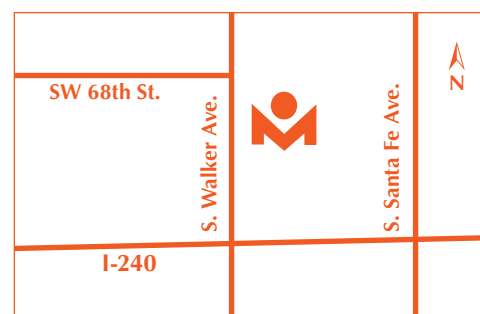
6900 S. Walker, OKC
 (405) 631-4468

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5

Sun: 1-6



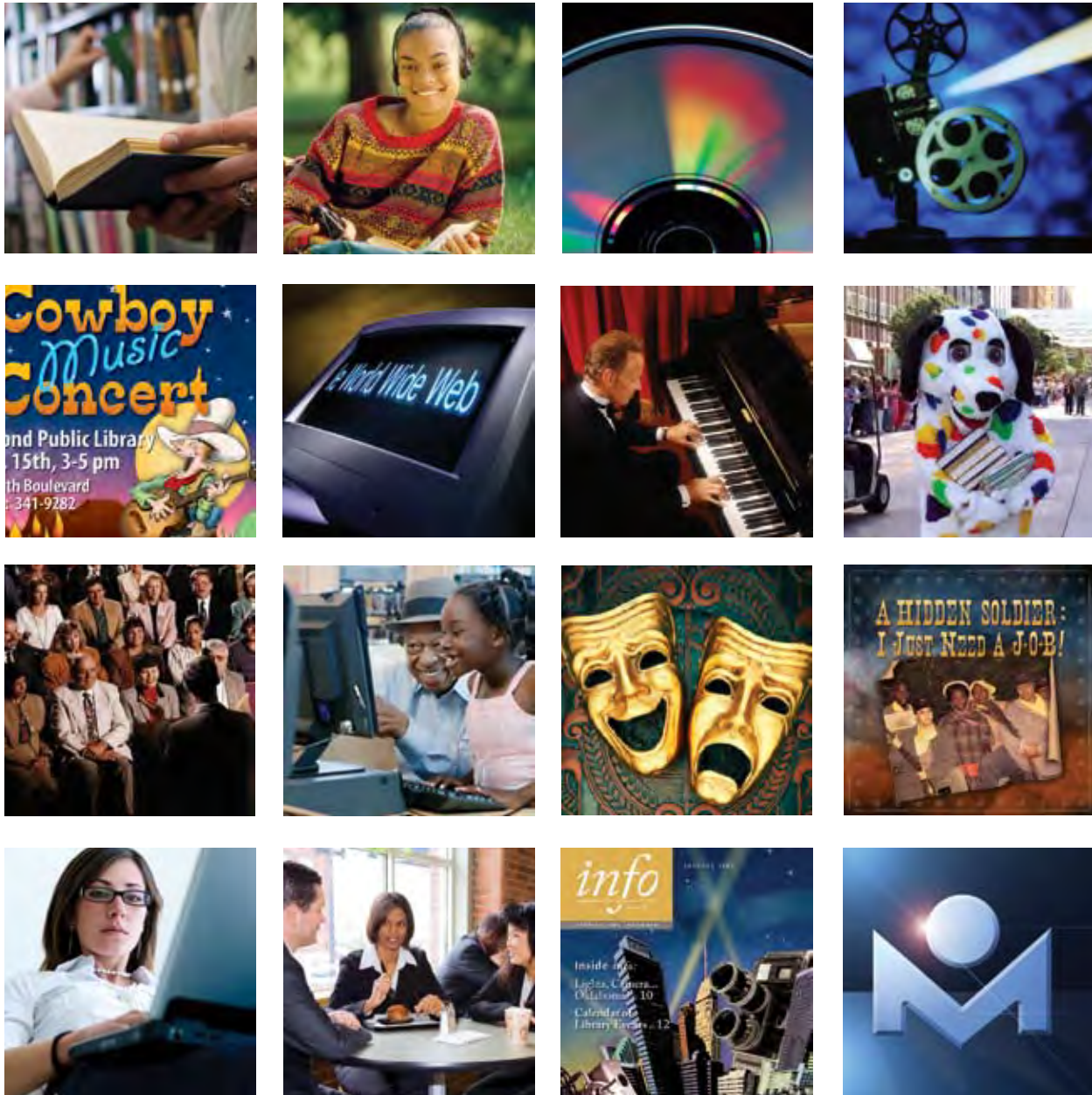
Creature Creations With
the Oklahoma City Zoo

July 2 | Thur | 10:30-11:30a
Ages 8 and older

Come learn how animals adapt to their environments with the Oklahoma City Zoo. In this hands on program participants will create

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a unique animal from materials provided. Call 631-4468 to pre-register.

Henna Body Art

**July 6 | Mon | 11a-Noon
Teens**



For over 5,000 years, henna has been used in India, Africa, and the Middle East to create elaborate body art. Learn about this ancient art of decorating the hands and feet. Henna tattoos stain the outer layers of skin and are non-permanent, but can last 1-2 weeks. Pre-register.

Neighborhood Arts Presents:

Balcum Rancum Puppetry in Mythical Mischief

**July 7 | Tue | 3-4p
All ages**



Creativity in the arts and theatre presented by puppets! Admission by free ticket. Tickets will be handed out starting one hour before the program.

Anime Club

**July 8 | Wed | 6:30-8:30p
Ages 14 and older**



We will be screening Funimation reels and other popular titles. Call 631-4468 to sign up.

School Skills

**July 9,30 | Thur | 10:30a-Noon
Ages 6-12**

High school and college student volunteers will be available to read with children or work on spelling, math, or other school skills. Sign-up required. Call 631-4468 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.

Games from Around the World

**July 13 | Mon | 10a-Noon
Kids ages 8-12**

Come play some fun games from around the world. Learn some things about the world while having a blast. Sign-up is required. Sign up by calling 425-4412. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Dept.

Photo Album Workshop

**July 13 | Mon | 3-4:30p
Adults and children with an adult**



In the photo album workshop you will make two photo albums. One will be the accordion style where pictures can be adhered to both sides of the pages and the other will be the typical album that resembles a book. The two albums will each have their unique look and style and will be your own work of art. Call 631-4468 to register for the free workshop or sign up at the Reference Desk. All supplies are furnished; just bring your pictures and imagination!

Southern Oaks Book Club

**July 14 | Tue | 11:30a-12:30p
Adults**

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

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Storyteller Joe Hayes and Story Fiesta!

**July 14 | Tue | 3-4p
All ages**



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Parachute Play

**July 15 | Wed | 10:30-11a
Kids ages 3-6 w/parent or caregiver**



Come play games with a parachute. Children will have the opportunity to practice skills such as: following directions, socializing with others, using language, and using small and large muscles...AND it's loads of fun! You must pre-register. Sign up by calling 425-4412. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Dept.

Movie Matinee with Matthew Price

**July 16 | Thur | 11a-2p
Ages 13 and older**

Matthew Price, writer of movie and comic reviews for the *The Oklahoman* and owner of Speeding Bullet Comics, will introduce a cool film. Co-sponsor: Speeding Bullet Comics.

Score Small Business Counseling

**July 17 | Fri | 10a-1p
Adults**

If you are interested in starting a new business or are a business owner in need of assistance, counseling is available the first and third Friday of the month. The service of Retired Executives (SCORE) will offer free confidential assistance for potential small business owners. Call 631-4468 for more information or sign up at the Reference Desk. Co-sponsor: Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE).

Draw Comic Book Style

**July 18 | Sat | 11a-3p
Ages 14 and older**



Learn comic book fundamentals and how to draw comic book style with artist Scott Delsigne. Space is limited. Food & fun will be provided. Call 631-4468 to pre-register.

Children's Metro MusicFest:

Mr. Stinky Feet and the Hiccups

**July 21 | Tue | 7-8p
All ages**



You won't want to miss this performance of the Children's Music Festival. Jim Cosgrove (Mr. Stinky Feet) has delighted audiences throughout North America and Europe for more than a decade, including two performances at The White House Easter Egg Roll. His laid-back style and ability to immediately connect with children has made him a cool favorite with parents, many of whom have dubbed him the "Jimmy Buffett" for kids. Admission by free ticket. Tickets will be handed out beginning one hour before the program. Co-sponsor: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Be Amazed by Dave May: Magician & Ventriloquist

**July 23 | Thur
10:30-11:30a**

For kids ages 4-12



Meet Dave May, magician and ventriloquist! Get ready to be entertained by Dave May as he performs some amazing magic tricks. You'll also meet some of his puppet friends. All younger children must be accompanied by an adult. Admission by free ticket. Tickets will be handed out starting one hour before the program.

New Old Games: Fun Games from the Past

**July 23 | Thur | 2-4p
Ages 8-12**

Come play active games, quiet games, mind games, brain teasers, and games you can make from things you have at home! Sign-up is required. Register by calling 425-4412. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Hip Hop Dance

**July 24 | Fri | 11a-Noon
Teens**



So you think you can dance? Or do you need to learn the basics of how to break, pop, and lock? Attack the floor and pick up a few moves from our dance instructor. Pre-register.

GameFest

**July 26 | Sun | 2-4p
Teens**



Game on! Bring your friends and play video games like Guitar Hero, Wii Sports, Super Smash Bros, DDR, Rock Band, and more. Games are rated E, E10+, and T. Pre-register.

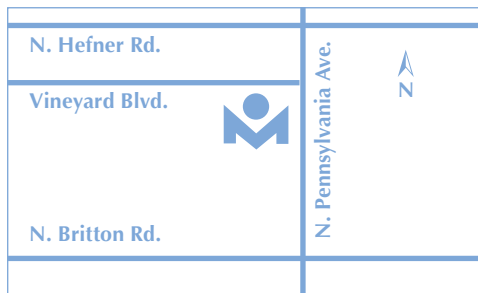
The Village Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed



Lights, Sound, Action

July 1 | Wed | 1-2p

Ages 6-12

In this audience participation presentation, a scientist will demonstrate some of the physics behind production techniques used in early theatre. From the physics of light and exploration of the color spectrum, to the physics of acoustics and power of sound waves, kids will learn about the science artists have been using for thousands of years to express themselves. Presented by Science Museum Oklahoma. Please pre-register by calling 755-0710 or stopping by the Information Desk

Neighborhood Arts Presents:

Al Bostic and Creative Creation

July 2 | Thur | 1-2p

All ages

A look at creation myths from different cultures.



Children Reading to Dogs

July 2,9,16,23,30 | Thur

3:30-4:30p

Children who can read

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



Introduction to MS Excel

July 6,13,20,27 | Mon

6:30-8p

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 p.m. Scheduled in 30 minute to one hour sessions per individual. Come in or call to reserve your instruction time. Village Library (405) 755-0710.



That's no moon, it's an art station!

July 7 | Tue | 1-3p

Teens

Join us at the Village Library and express yourself through arts and crafts! T-shirt deconstruction, jewelry making, decoupage, duct tape art, and more! Call 755-0710 for more information.



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Sibling Struggles

July 14 | Tue | 6-7:30p

Parents and caregivers of young children

"A New Baby?" or "He's Looking at Me!" Come and learn 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.



Instrument Playground

July 15 | Wed | 1-2p

Ages 6-12

Come try out a selection of orchestral instruments! Trained docents from the Oklahoma City Philharmonic show the kids how to manipulate various instruments. Presented by the Oklahoma City Philharmonic. Please pre-register by calling 755-0710 or stopping by the Information Desk.



Parent Talk

July 16 | Thur | 9a-Noon

Parents and caregivers of young children

Sessions include discussion about the normal range of early development as well as any parenting questions you may have in the areas of speech, language, development, and behavior. Children do not have to be present at session. Please call 425-4412 to schedule



an appointment. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City County Health Department.

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All ages

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Using Photographs with Computers

July 18 | Sat | 10-11:30a

Adults

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



Book Discussion Group

July 20 | Mon | 3-4p

Adults

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

Manga Drawing with Alex Brodt

July 21 | Tue | 1-2p

Teens

Want to learn how to draw Manga? Join Alex Brodt, a published Manga artist, for instruction in the art of Manga drawing! Emphasis will be placed on pencil, pen & ink drawings. For more information call: 755-0710.



Screenplay Writing Class

July 22 | Wed | 1-3p

Teens

Learn how to write your own screenplay with Al Serradell and Cheryl Pierson! Space is limited. For more information and to pre-register call: 755-0710.



Children's Metro MusicFest:

Funky Mama

July 24 | Fri | 2-3p

All ages

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City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Knitty Committee

July 25 | Sat | 10-11a

Ages 6-12

All Ages

Interested in knitting or learning how to knit? Join the Knitty Committee at the Village Library on the 4th Saturday of the month at 10 am. Bring your yarn and join the fun!

Hip Hop Dance

July 25 | Sat | 3-4p

Teens

So you think you can dance? Or do you need to learn the basics of how to break, pop, and lock? Attack the floor and pick up a few moves from our dance instructor. Pre-register.



Shoebbox Theater

July 29 | Wed | 1-2p

Ages 6-12

Students will be guided through making their own shoebox theatre using the science that is explored in the Lights, Sound, Action! program. From lighting schemes to Foley artist props, participants will experience the fun and gratification of creating all the tools they need to put on their own diorama play. **Please bring your own shoe box for the project. Presented by Science Museum Oklahoma. Pre-register by calling 755-0710 or stopping by the Information Desk.



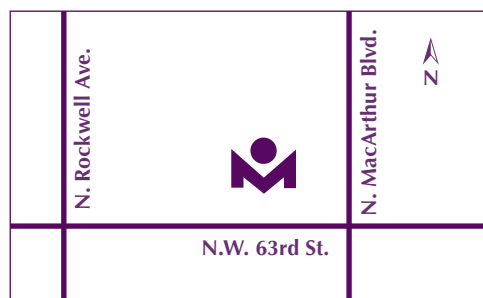
Warr Acres Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed



Neighborhood Arts Presents:

Al Bostic and Creative Creation

July 1 | Wed | 2-3p

All ages

A look at creation myths from different cultures.



English as a Second Language

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

Mon & Wed | 5:30-8p

Adults

Beginning ESL classes are back! The classes will be on Monday and Wednesday evenings. Registration will be with the teacher.



Story Time for Preschoolers

July 7,21 | Tue

10:30-11:15a

2 1/2 - 5-year-olds

Children will enjoy stories and other fun activities with Miss Alma and her puppets. Please pre-register.



Play Time for Babies and Tots

July 8,15,22,29 | Wed

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

8-30 months

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.



Neighborhood Arts Presents:

Balcum Rancum Puppetry in Mythical Mischief

July 8 | Wed | 2-3p

All ages

Creativity in the arts and theatre presented by puppets!



Book Time Crafts

July 9,16,23,30 | Thur | 10:30-11:30a

Ages 6-11

Picture book illustrations will inspire children, ages 5 and older, for drawing, painting and other take-home crafts. Art supplies provided. Sign up for each session; pre-registration begins two weeks in advance.

Warr Acres Book Club

July 13 | Mon | 11a-Noon

All Ages

The Warr Acres Library Book Club meets the second Monday of each month. Call or come by the library to get the book title for discussion.

Pajama Story Time for Preschoolers

July 14 | Tue

6:30-7:30p

2 1/2 - 5-year-olds

Favorite stories come alive with Miss Alma and her puppets. Children are encouraged to wear their PJs. Cookies and milk will be provided.



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Teens

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Warr Acres Coffee Break

July 20 | Mon | 9:30-10:30a

Adults

You are invited to join us for coffee and light refreshments. Bring a friend or meet someone new at the library. Relax and enjoy mingling with other book lovers.

Boosting Your Child's Brain Power! Workshop

July 21 | Tue | 3:30-5p

Adults

This free workshop will focus on fun, age-appropriate activities that will not only enhance the relationship between you and your child, but will be developmentally stimulating. Playing helps your child develop emotionally, physically, socially, and cognitively. Please call 425-4412 to enroll. Parents, teachers and childcare providers are always invited to attend. All workshops have been approved for childcare licensing and STARS credit.



Children's Metro MusicFest:

Bongo Barry

July 22 | Wed | 2-3p

All ages

Bongo Barry will have everyone beating out a rhythm or two during this part of the Children's Music Festival. You won't want to miss this award-winning performer who has been featured in the New York Times. This program is sure to get you up and moving around to the beat. Co-Sponsor: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Hip Hop Dance

July 23 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p

Teens

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Spend Some Time This Summer Learning New Computer Skills!

Summer classes will be held in the Route 66 Computer Lab on the first floor of the Downtown Library from 6-7:30pm.

July 7 - Computer Basics
July 21 - Social Networking
August 18 - Databases

Downtown Library | 300 Park Avenue, OKC, Oklahoma
Call the Downtown Library at 231-8650 for more information or to register.



Double Play Tuba and Flute
July 28 | Tue
10:30-11:15a
All ages



Great stories in music will be presented by Amy Ridings, flutist, and Patrick Sciannella, tubist. Children will enjoy Prokofiev's "Peter and the Wolf" and Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" and more!

Espresso Yourself!
July 30 | Thur | 6:30-8p
Ages 12-17



Transform coffee into a masterpiece! Artist Karole Stout will conduct a class with mixed media art. All supplies are provided. Please pre-register.

Wright Library
2101 Exchange, OKC
(405) 235-5035

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Fri & Sat: 10-3

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	Exchange Ave.		
	S.W. 15th St.		

Troy Scott's Amazing
July 9 | Thur | 2-2:45p
All ages



Come, see, play! Just for summer reading, Troy Scott brings out his special brand of fun but will it be improvisation games or magic tricks? You'll have to attend to find out.

Queen of Storyville
July 16 | Thur | 2-2:45p
All ages



Author, playwright and storyteller, DWe Williams tells stories from around the world—making her Queen of Storyville. Bring your favorite friends and a comfy cushion to relax while hearing stories you are sure to love.

Soap Making
July 23 | Thur | 2-2:45p
All ages

Join Kelly Thompson as she makes soap from scratch using the cold process method with items you can find around the house. Use your creativity to make soap by hand with your friends, family or to new make friends. You'll even get to take some soap samples home!.

The Art of Fun
July 2 | Thur | 2-2:45p
All ages



Master Storyteller Michael Corley will bring the audience along on a journey through art, innovation and creativity. From the legends of magical weapons from ancient Ireland, to Native American tales of how using the right tool can win the day, children will come away with a better understanding of how art is not only fun, but helps defeat mythical creatures from the past!



Thursday Noon Tunes

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

- July 2:** Rees Evans & Friends Americana
featuring banjo
- July 9:** Erica Thomas and Jerome Braggs—
vocals / Musical Theater
- July 16:** Second Wind, oldies and favorites
- July 23:** Juanita Ellington, Chicago style jazz & blues
- July 30:** Smilin' Vic, soul / R&B
- August 6:** Marcy Priest and Bryan Jackson, guitar /
vocal originals
- August 13:** Adam Ledbetter — piano jazz
- August 20:** Albert Grey Eagle and Unity, Native American
flute & African drums
- August 27:** Classen Guitars

All performances are free and open to the public.

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





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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.

Hample, Zack. *Watching Baseball Smarter: A Professional Fan's Guide for Beginners, Semi-Experts, and Deeply Serious Geeks*.

796.357/H229w

Have the recent scandals over "performance enhancing substances" in Major League Baseball soured you on the game? Maybe what you need is a conversation with a baseball fanatic to assure you that you're not permanently broken-hearted—just sadder but wiser.

Hiaasen, Carl. *The Downhill Lie: A Hacker's Return to a Ruinous Sport*.

796.352092/H623d/BIOGRAPHY

Novelist and Miami Herald columnist Carl Hiaasen returned to the links after 32 years of golf sobriety to see if he could play the game any better in middle age than he had as a young man. Well, sort of. Any golfer will enjoy this funny look at the highs and lows of a life spent between 18 holes.