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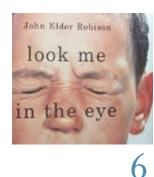
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Every MLS programming event listed in one place. All you need to know about the people, times, and places of this month's library activities.

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# Oklahoma Images

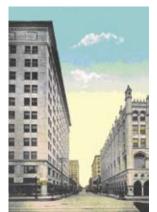
# History Is Here to Stay

#### by Larry Johnson

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pend any time at all studying the pre-statehood history of Oklahoma, and you will likely come across the name Charles Colcord. Indeed, if you were to play Oklahoma Word Association at your next gathering you'd be hard-pressed to find an iconic symbol of white settlement in Oklahoma that does not evoke Colcord. He took part in not one, but two Land Runs, he was a rancher, a farmer, an oilman, founder of two towns, and he even stalked bad guys as the city's first police chief and later as a U. S. Marshal with Bill Tilghman. But Colcord was no rustic. He loved Oklahoma City and nurtured its growth along with other early believers.

Like Henry Overholser, Colcord built a magnificent home on the northern edge of the city. The neo-classical mansion (seen below), was a copy of the antebellum Kentucky plantation he left behind as a boy during the Reconstruction. Built in 1903, the home at 421 NW Thirteenth was considered one of the finest homes in the city for several years but it eventually became the headquarters of the Standard Life & Accident Insurance Company in 1951. Despite its commodious accommodations (it had nearly doubled in size since this photo was taken in 1915), the company demolished the estate in 1964 and constructed the modernist edifice that still stands on the spot today. the destruction of this home galvanized the preservation-minded folks in Oklahoma City who were already jittery over the city's ambitious urban renewal plans. Under the leadership of Mayor George Shirk – who just happened to also be president of the Oklahoma Historical Society and was known around town as "Mr. Oklahoma History" – the Oklahoma City Historical Preservation Commission was formed in 1967 to prevent any further encroachments on historic properties.



Colcord Building (1) and

Baum Building (r).

Fittingly, the first success of the ninemember board was the protection of

the Colcord Building at Robinson and Sheridan. The city's first true skyscraper was built to last by Charles Colcord in 1910 and continues to grace the skyline to this day.

Larry "Buddy" Johnson has been with MLS since 1998. Not only a librarian at the Downtown Library, he is the brilliant mind behind the Oklahoma Images database which is a collection of pictures and essays that illustrate the history of central Oklahoma.

But go ahead and trot out your favorite regenerative platitude (you know: making lemonade, sows' ears and silk purses, silver linings, etc.) because

The Colcord mansion at NW 13th (1903).

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# SPRING FLING '08 ETH-NOH-TEC Asian Treasure Bag

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Ralph Ellison, 10:30 am Midwest City, 1:30 pm Choctaw, 3:30 pm

### Tuesday, March 18

Del City, 10:30 am Capitol Hill, 1:30 pm Warr Acres, 7:00 pm

### Wednesday, March 19

Downtown, 10:30 am Bethany, 1:30 pm

### Thursday, March 20

Edmond, 10:30 am Nicoma Park, 1:30 pm Belle Isle, 7:00 pm

### Friday, March 21

Village, 10:30am Southern Oaks, 1:30 pm

Seating is Limited. Doors open 15 minutes before each presentation.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Metropolitan Library System and the Oklahoma Arts Council.



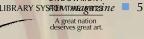


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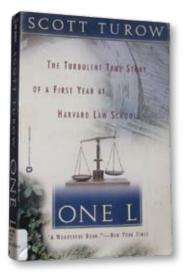
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# Reviews & Recommendations



#### One L: The Turbulent True Story of a First Year at Harvard Law School By Scott Turow

Any knowledge I have about Harvard Law School comes from multiple unplanned viewings of Legally Blonde, so when I picked up Scott Turow's memoir documenting his experiences as a first year (or, in HLS lingo, One L) law student, I hoped he'd give details about his designer wardrobe and trembling Chihuahua sidekick.

Alas, this was not to be. Instead, One L is a meticulous retelling of the demands placed on students who are used to being the best and brightest. For Turow, learning such basic subjects as Contracts, Torts, Property, Criminal Law and Civil Procedure sometimes required mammoth 16-hour study sessions. In classrooms so crowded with outgoing, articulate overachievers, it's inevitable that the pressures these people find



Reviewed by Jana Hausburg

themselves under lead to massive, stress-induced burnout, fits of crying, panic attacks, and the occasional suicide attempt.

Written in 1977, and updated with an Afterword in 1988, the book can feel a little dated at times, especially when mention is made of the cost of books and tuition; still, I couldn't help but be transfixed by the challenges, humiliations, and quiet triumphs experienced by those willing to subject themselves to the grueling rigors of what many consider to be the best law school in the country.

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.



John Elder Robisson Jook me in the eye urunt the states

# Look Me in the Eye: My Life with Asperger's by John Elder Robison

John Elder's younger brother (Varmint), urged him to write his story. "Like this?" he asked, emailing his first episode. "Yes, just like that." When Varmint toured with his own bestseller, Running with Scissors, his fans flooded him with questions about his big brother. But it wasn't little brother's success that drew me to Look Me in the Eye; I was intrigued by the cover and its contradictory title.

John Elder didn't know he had Asperger's until a few years ago. All he knew was that the world was baffling and that he was different. As a young child, he taught himself to pay attention to body language and facial expressions so as to offend fewer people unintentionally.

Nevertheless, he loved to provoke intentionally, so he honed his skills as a trickster. As a schoolboy, he persuaded his beloved grandpa Jack Reviewed by Marilyn Backus

to believe in Bovinius, the Cow Star. As a teenage dropout, he created elaborate fake satanic rituals to freak out the locals. And as a young adult, he convinced his greedy little brother that there were no malls in Cleveland.

His first serious success was engineering exploding guitars for the band KISS. Later, he built a flourishing business doing his favorite thing, restoring classic cars. But his real talent is storytelling. His genius at describing us non-Aspergians is eye-opening: our penchant for small talking, people pleasing, and staring at other people's eyeballs when they speak. His insight will make you take another look at "normal."

Marilyn Backus has worked for the Metropolitan Library System for over 20 years. She currently works in the Materials Selection department and selects many of the great non-fiction titles and features films that you can check out at the library.

#### FICTION KAR ON THE SHELF

#### Reviewed by Phyllis Davidson

revisits his old haunts, the author uses flashbacks to show the childhood incidents that had shaped his character and caused him to dread going back home. Though elderly and diabetic, he risks the sweltering Mississippi heat, southern-fried hospitality, and a trip into the country with a mysterious stranger, to discover a truth that will change his life.

Although this is said to be the beginning of a new series, you will miss out on a lot if you don't first read the Mitford series, beginning with At Home in Mitford. I would describe both series as gentle reads filled with local color and human interest. I only wish Karon would write a little faster.

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



#### **Reviewed by Doug Bentin**

the world and times of The Beatles for anyone not already familiar with them and their music. The songs include "You're Gonna Lose That Girl," "You've Got to Hide Your Love Away," "Ticket to Ride," and the title tune, among others..

This DVD also includes trailers, radio ads, a missing scene, a documentary, and two featurettes. There's a lot to be gleaned from this material and seeing The Beatles before they got all serious in the late '60s is a treat. Here are four young men who still seem a little gobsmacked by the degree of their success, but who can't seem to take it or themselves very seriously. Too bad things have to change.

Doug Bentin appears weekly on the MLS TV program "Read About It." Check out his movie reviews in The Oklahoma Gazette, and his blog, The Long Saturday of the Soul, at http://longsaturday.blogspot.com/



#### Home to Holly Springs by Jan Karon

Tim Kavanaugh receives a note from his hometown of Holly Springs, Mississippi that says, simply, "COME HOME." There is no return address and no signature. Leaving behind the important characters in his life, who filled the pages of the beloved Mitford series, Kavanaugh heads for Holly Springs.

The only family members Tim has left in Holly Springs are resting in Hill Crest Cemetery, and he has no one but God to protect him from the ghosts of his past. The ghosts include his hateful and distant father, his beautiful but tragic mother, and Peggy, the black servant who broke his heart when she mysteriously and unexpectedly left the family.

As he attempts to discover the identity of the person who sent the note, he finds that, although many of the faces have changed, the spirit of his hometown has survived the years. As Kavanaugh

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With a ring like that I could – dare I say it? – rule the world.

Help!

starring The Beatles

So sayeth Prof. Foot, only one of the idiots in pursuit of Ringo Starr's enormous, and enormously fake-looking, bejeweled ring in The Beatles' second movie, Help! It was the 1965 follow-up to A Hard Day's Night, their premiere picture released the year before. Once again, the guys entrusted their screen images to director Richard Lester who, along with screenwriters Marc Behm and Charles Wood, concocted a silly burlesque of those Victorian yarns about rare jewels stolen from Hindu temples.

The movie is wonderfully goofy and a great deal of fun. It's also a blast of nostalgia that sweeps over aging baby boomers like the aura of moth balls in a hope chest. I think it's the best intro to

# Reviews & Recommendations



Family Maps of \_\_\_\_ County, \_\_ by Gregory A. Boyd

Genealogy lovers will be happy to know that the Downtown Library has purchased almost sixty Family Maps books for the genealogy collection. Each book covers a single county and indexes original settlers whose land purchases are indexed in the U.S. Bureau of Land Management database.

In the past, family groups or unrelated community groups often moved to newlyopened lands and settled together. It was common for young people to marry neighbors. The Family Map books make it possible to find the location of an ancestor's land, and by looking around at the names of the neighbors, you may be able to find other family members living nearby.

Each book contains a county map showing congressional townships. For each township, there is a group of maps. The first one has the township broken down into sections and parts of sections with the name of each landowner



Reviewed by Phyllis Davidson

shown on his or her piece of property. The road map shows the location of towns and cemeteries. The historical map shows water-bodies and water-courses, railroads, original town locations and cemeteries.

There is a cumulative surname-only index for the entire county. One glance and you can see whether a Snuffleupagus owned land in that county. If you find one, turn to the full-name index for the indicated township to see whether his first name was Joe.

Once you've found where your ancestor lived, you'll probably want to go there. Check the maps for the location of nearby cemeteries, and you may find the graves of long lost family members.

This material has to be used in the library and cannot be checked out, but it is loaded with information you may not be able to find easily any other way.





#### Shopaholic & Baby by Sophie Kinsella

In this fifth installment of the Shopaholic series, pregnant Becky Bloomwood has another excuse to go on a continuous shopping spree.... this time to buy the most expensive and stylish items for her baby-to-be. This includes finding Venetia Carter, an obstetrician who caters to the rich and famous and who just happens to be the stunning ex-girl friend of Becky's husband, Luke.

All kinds of antics develop, including hiring a private detective to trail Luke as Becky becomes convinced that he is cheating on her with

#### Reviewed by Christine Bassett

Venetia. Of course Becky also has to find the perfect house for her new family, which involves a lot of wheeling and dealing on Becky's part in order to obtain her dream house.

Once again, Kinsella has succeeded in writing a delightfully entertaining novel which will amuse all of us with even the smallest tendency to become a shopaholic!

Christine Bassett moved to Oklahoma from England 10 years ago. Her background is in teaching but she graduated from OU in December with her MLIS.

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## - ROCK ON! Guitar Hero Jam Session

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Kiss your air guitar goodbye! Bring your friends and channel your inner rock star during an open jam session of Guitar Hero I, II and III. Guitar Hero is rated T.

March 4 March 6 March 8 March 11

Southern Oaks Ralph Ellison Edmond **Midwest City** 

6:30-8:30 p.m. 4:00-5:00 p.m. 2:00-3:30 p.m. 4:00-5:00 p.m.

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## • Game Night

We have a Wii! DDR, and Super Smash Brothers, too. Come join the fun!

March 13 March 17 March 20

Choctaw **Del City** Warr Acres 6:00-7:30 p.m. 5:30-7:30 p.m. 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Resume Workshop ↔

Rock your resume at the Ralph Ellison Library. Come by and let Bob show you how to create a slammin' resume. Space is limited. Call Kim at 424-1437 to reserve your seat.

March 4 Ralph Ellison

6:00-7:00 p.m.

### • Multimedia Art with **Bob Moore**

Join us for a multimedia creative experience that will involve scripting, cameras, video, sound, animation, and computers, as well as traditional art techniques. Learn how to make your own multimedia production! Bring a laptop if you have one, or use supplies provided by the library.

March 1

Edmond 1:00-4:00 p.m.



# Only Connect Your Inviting, Innovative Link to the World!

hat's not just a slogan, you know. Slogans are means used to brand a company so you'll think of its products when you hear or read the familiar phrase. No, "Your Inviting, Innovative Link to the World!" is more than a slogan.

It's a statement of fact and an invitation to you to take advantage of the myriad of services your Metropolitan Library System has worked hard to put in place and maintain. We didn't become a recognized leader in public library technology and service just by checking out books.

Traditional libraries are content to stand outside the lives of their customers, but public libraries in the 21st Century want to become a vital part of the lives of their communities by creating a user base that runs the age gamut from pre-birth to retirement and beyond.

Pre-birth? Certainly. Many of our libraries offer workshops on prenatal care and then present experts who give advice on childhood developmental issues. As babies age, we have story hour sessions for the little ones—even aerobics for toddlers.

Our organized events for children, especially our annual Summer Reading program, are among our most popular



offerings, but how often have you seen a youngster sitting at a library public access computer playing games or sending emails? It may

look like play (and, of course, it is) but that child is also exercising hand/eye coordination with the game or practicing computer and writing skills with email. Anyone, young or old, sharpens the ability to think and see links between ideas when searching the web for information.

It's easy now for kids to find information via the Internet, but that means that it's also easy to find faulty or prejudiced information as well. Did you know the MLS pays subscription fees to specific databases so we can be reasonably sure that the data collected from those databases will be free of bias and partisanship?



Adults are welcome to sign up for computer time as well. If anything provides an immediate link to the world, it's the Internet.

Whether you want to find out how to construct a resume, what make of DVD player would best suit your needs, or when Captain Caveman debuted on television (it was 1977), you can find it on the web. If you need some help searching, just ask a librarian.

Do you have your own laptop computer equipped for wireless searching? Go to a library! They're all set up for WiFi service.

But let's get back for a minute to the idea of performance events in libraries. Justly proud of Summer Reading as we are, much of our programming is intended for adults, teens and families.

Music from around the city and around the globe makes up a big part of our programming and provides another link to the whole world. Live presentations from a variety of area theatrical companies introduce children to the fun of stage productions, and



give older adults a reason to get out of the house and go someplace comfortable and safe to see old friends and to meet new ones.

Film screenings introduce people of all ages to new concepts and varied cultural ideas, while workshops address such topics as financial planning, health care, hunting and driver safety, and the path on which we, the people progressed to where we are today.

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It's not just a slogan. It's a promise.



# February 1<sup>st</sup> - March 31<sup>st</sup> Readers 55+ Sign Up! Read Books for Fun & Prizes



#### 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

#### **Belle Isle Library**

(405) 843-9601



#### 2008 Winter Readfest Feb. 1 - March 31 Ages 55 and Older

Reading program for age 55 plus adults. Gifts and prize drawings. Began 2-1-08 and ends 3-31-08. Call 405-606-3835 for information. Co-sponsor: Friends of the Library.

#### **Score Small Business Counseling** Mar 1,15 | 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.

Free Tax Help @ the Library Mar 4,11,18,25 | Tue | 9a-2p Mar 5,12,19,26 | Wed | 9a-2p Mar 8,22 | Sat | 9a-1p Adults E-filing ONLY. AARP Volunteers will assist

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about the group, e-mail the guild at metrookcknitguild@cox.net or call 823-6866. Sign up at the Belle Isle Reference Desk for the meeting.

#### **Irish Dancers Performance** for St. Patrick's Day Mar 17 | Mon | 7-8p All Ages



Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a special performance from the dancers of Hill Irish Dance School. These talented young dancers will present a variety of dances, from traditional to modern. Bring the whole family to enjoy the music and dance of the Emerald Isle.

#### **Eth-Noh-Tec presents: Asian Treasure Bag** Mar 20 | Thur | 7-8p Ages 6 and older

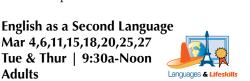


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#### What Season Do You Like? Mar 26 | Wed | 10-11a **Pre-kindergarten**



Hear stories about all the seasons. Playtime follows in children's room. Pre-register with Belle Isle Reference Desk or at 843-9601.



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Adults Ongoing enrollment. You can join the class at any time with Mid-Del Adult Learning Center. Improve your English speaking, reading, and writing skills in this free class for people who are new to the English language. For questions and to register, call Mid-Del Learning Center at 739-1783.

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returns on Sat beginning Jan 26. No appoint-

ments taken, first come, first served-Must be

there by noon for Sat, and by 1p on Tue and

Wed. Co-sponsor: AARP

Mar 4,6,11,15,18,20,25,27

Tue & Thur | 9:30a-Noon

#### Child Guidance Consultation Mar 13 | Thur | 9:30a-4p Ages Birth-5 years

Ages 1 month - 5 years

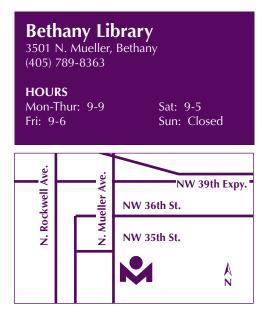
This is a great opportunity to book a free oneon-one consultation of your preschooler with child specialists. Parents are encouraged to bring any and all questions they would like to ask of professionals in the area of child development, behavioral health, and speech pathology. Each child must be accompanied by a parent and/or legal guardian. Consultations are by appointment only and take approximately 1 hour. Parents, sign up early as appointment slots fill up fast! Please call Child Guidance Services with City-County Health Department at 425-4412 to pre-register.

#### Metro OKC Knit Guild Group Mar 16 | Sun | 3-5p **Teens & Adults**

The Metro OKC Knit Guild group meets at Belle Isle Library. Everyone-any knitter or person who's never knitted, but would like to learn—is welcome. Each monthly program will include a lesson of a new knitting technique and examples of charity knitting projects. March's lesson is "TKGA Kit Course on Specific Stitch." For questions

#### Author Event: Oklahoma Outlaw Tales Mar 29 | Sat | 2-3p All Ages

Join David A. Farris, author of the books Mysterious Oklahoma, More Mysterious Oklahoma. As 89er Day approaches, he'll share stories from his book Oklahoma Outlaw Tales. Learn some fascinating stories from Oklahoma's colorful history. Books will be available for signing and purchase. Refreshments provided, so sign up at the Belle Isle Reference Desk



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#### Focus: Sojourner Truth Mar 1 | Sat | 2-3p Students and Adults

DWe Williams will be the performer for this event. Celebrate Women's History Month with our focus on Sojourner Truth. Refreshments will be served following the program.

#### Child Guidance Consultation Mar 3 | Mon | 9a-4p Ages Birth-5 years with Parent/Legal Guardian



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

#### Tools for Effective Parenting Mar 5,12 | Wed | 1-2:15p Ages Birth-5 years with For Parents/Caregivers of Young Children



This five session course will help promote good parent-child relationships. Learn basic parenting skills including effective praising, limit setting, ignoring, time out, natural/logical consequences and problem solving. These skills help parents learn how to pay attention to their child's behavior and actions. Pre-register at 425-4412. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Department.

#### Toddler Story & Play Time Mar 6,27 | Thur 9:30-10:15a and 10:30-11:15a Ages 2-3



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

#### St. Patrick's Day Event Mar 8 | Sat | 2-3p All Ages



Jean Hill and the Irish Arts Dancers will be at Bethany Library for this fun and educational event. Refreshments will be served after the program. Limited seating. Please arrive 15 minutes early for assured seating.

#### The Children's Hour: Evening Story Time Mar 11 | Tue | 6:30-7p Ages 3-8



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

#### Winter Story Time Mar 13 | Thur | 10-10:45a Ages 3-6



Say goodbye to winter! Enjoy stories, songs, nursery rhymes and a fun craft. Pre-register at the library Information Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

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#### Storytime for Toddlers/Cuentos para ninos Mon/Lunes & Tues/Martes

3,4,10,11,17,18,24,25 10-10:30a Ages 1 Month-5 years with Parents-Edades 1-5 con Padres



Stories for children in English and Spanish along with crafts, fingerplays, etc. No registration needed.

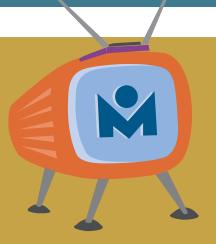
Cuentos para ninos en ingles y espanol con otros actividades. No es necesario registrarse.

#### Conversational Spanish Mar 3,10,17,24,31 | Mon 5:30-7p Adults



This course is intended to teach basic conversational skills that would help you survive, if you were visiting a Spanish speaking country. The class involves learning Spanish

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# Read About It

Discussions with Authors & Book Reviews

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OKLAHOMA CITY— A bridal mystery and art representing epic moments in the Lewis and Clark expedition are a couple of topics 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.

March 3 John Culbertson, a distinguished Vietnam veteran, will discuss two of his books *A Sniper in the Arizona* and *13 Cent Killers*.

March 10 Glenda Carlile, executive director of the Oklahoma Center for the Book, will discuss the Oklahoma Book Awards.

March 17 Guest David Clark is the editor-in-chief of World Literature Today.

March 24 JoAnna Carl, an award winning Oklahoma mystery writer will discuss *The Chocolate Bridal Bash*.

March 31 Charles Fritz, historical artist, won the Wrangler Award from the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum for his book *Charles Fritz: An Artist With the Corps of Discovery*.

Guests and program schedules are subject to change without notice.

#### Capitol Hill Library continued.

for common questions: (Who, What, When, and Where). The class will meet for 13 sessions, from Feb. 11 through May 5th. We will be studying from the text *Spanish for Gringos*, 2nd Ed. Please call the library to register for this course, or to find out more details about the class.

Junk Sculpture with Bryan Dahlvang Mar 8 | Sat | 2-3p Ages 11-17



Hey teens! Join artist Bryan Dahlvang for a journey into the imagination. Create your very own one-of-a-kind sculpture from found objects. For more information, contact Angela Hill at 634-6308.

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#### Capitol Hill Advisory of Teens Mar 25 | Tue | 6-7p

Teens



Teens meet monthly to discuss upcoming events and share ideas about future programs, materials, and opportunities. Contact Angela for more information at 634-6308. Registration required.

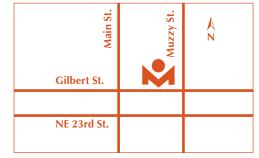
#### How to Cope With Stress Mar 26 | Wed | 10:30-11:30a Adults

This program will discuss how stress affects families, signs of stress in children, and suggestions on how to cope with stress. Facilitated by Teresa Widick of Child Guidance. Call the library to register for this program. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City County Health Department.

#### **Choctaw Library**

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

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



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#### Child Guidance Consultation Mar 3 | Mon | 9:30a-3:30p Ages birth-5 years with Parent/legal guardian



Free Child Guidance Consultation Appointments for children ages birth up to 5 years. Each child must have a parent and / or legal guardian with them. Sessions include discussion about the normal range of early development and any parenting questions you may have in regard to your child. Consultations are by appointment only and take about an hour. Pre-registration is required. Please call Child Guidance Services with City-County Health Department at 425-4412 to pre-register.

#### Conversational Spanish Mar 3,10,24 | Mon | 4-5p Adults



Teens and adults are invited to participate in these conversational Spanish sessions. Beginning students have an opportunity to practice and improve their skills with a Native speaker instructor.

#### Conversational Spanish for Intermediate and Advanced Mar 3,10,24 | Mon | 5-6 p Adults



children

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#### Lapsit Story Time Mar 4,11,18,25 | Tue 9:30-10a Ages 6 months-3 years

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

Preschool Story Time Mar 4,11,18,25 | 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.

#### Tai Chi With Chris Francis: Beginners Group Mar 5,12,19,26 | Wed | 5:30-6:15p Adults

T'ai Chi Chuan is a martial arts therapy that promotes health and longevity. It is a soft style art using as complete a relaxation or "softness" in the musculature as possible. Tae Chi teaches awareness of balance and the practical ability to moderate extremes of behavior and attitude at both mental and physical levels, and how this applies to effective self-defense principles. Pre-registration. Co-sponsor: Choctaw Library Guild.

#### Tai Chi With Chris Francis: Intermediate & Advanced Group Mar 5,12,19,26 | Wed | 6:30-7:30p Adults

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#### Parenting With Style Mar 6,13 | Thur | 1-2:30p Adults



In this three session class you will discover your personality type and how it affects your parenting style. Understanding your parenting style will help you make the most of your strengths and help you to understand why others parent differently. You will complete a personality inventory to help you identify your personality type and receive the book "MotherStyles—Using Personality Type to Discover Your Parenting Strengths" by Janet Penley. A fee of \$15 will be charged to cover the cost of the book and personality inventory. Five workshop slots are available at no cost to participants. Facilitated by Sarita Naegeli and Teresa Widick. Call 425 4412 to register. Co-sponsor: OK City/County Health Dept.

#### Family Place: Open Play Mar 8 | Sat | 10-11a 6 Months-5 Years with Parent



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

#### Game Fest Mar 13 | Thur | 6-7:30p Ages 12-19



Bring your friends for an open play session of video games like Dance Dance Revolution and Guitar Hero. Games are rated E, E10+, and T. Please call 390-8418 to pre-register.

#### Eth-Noh-Tec presents: Asian Treasure Bag Mar 17 | Mon 3:30-4:30p Ages 6 and older



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#### The Pigeon Wants a Party Mar 20 | Thur | 2-3p Ages 4-11

The Pigeon Wants A...Hmmm? What do you think the Pigeon wants? Join us for games, crafts and snacks to celebrate our vision of what the pigeon wants in the next Mo Willems book. Please pre-register at 390-8418 or stop at the Reference Desk.

#### Hill Irish School Dancers In Concert Mar 22 | Sat | 2-3p All Ages



The community is cordially invited to a celebration of St Patrick's Day festivities of most things Irish and a few things Scottish. The Hill Irish Dance School dancers, under the tutelage of TBRG Certified Dance Instructor Jean Hill, will perform in colorful costumes using precise formations and graceful athleticism of Irish step dancing and other dances from the Emerald Isle. "Erin go Braugh" Ireland Forever! Refreshments of green punch and shortbread cookies will be served following the performance.

#### Oklahoma Connections Mar 27 | Thur | 6-7:30p Older teens and Adults

This read and discuss program will focus on various works of literature. Co-sponsor: Eastern Oklahoma County Technology Center and Oklahoma Humanities Council.

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

# march



# Tax Help: AARP & VITA

For Adults. AARP trained volunteers will assist you in preparing your 2007 state and federal tax returns. No appointments taken. First come, first served.

Belle Isle Library - AARP, E-filing ONLY. Wednesdays, Mar 5,12,19,26, 9a-2p Saturdays, Mar 8,22, 9a-1p

**Del City Library - AARP** Mondays, Mar 3,10,17,24,31, Noon-4p Thursdays, Mar 6,13,20,27, Noon-4p

Edmond Library - AARP E-filing ONLY. Thursdays, Mar 6,13,20,27, 10a-4p & 6-8:30p

**Ralph Ellison Library - VITA** Adults

Southern Oaks Library - AARP Thursdays, Mar 6,13,20,27, 9a-2:30p

The Village Library-AARP <u>Tuesdays, Mar 4,11,18,25, 10a-8p</u> Wednesdays, Mar 5,12,19,26, 10a-3p

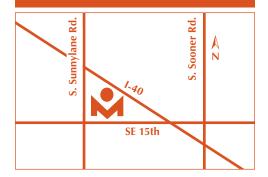
Warr Acres Library-AARP Mondays, Mar 3,10,17,24, 9a-2p

## Del City Library 4509 S.E. 15th, Del City

(405) 672-1377

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

Sun: Closed



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**AARP Tax Assistance** Mar 1,8,15,22,29 | Sat | 9-11a Mar 3,10,17,24,31 | Mon | Noon-4p Mar 6,13,20,27 | Thur | Noon-4p Adults

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**Basic Computer Training** Mar 4,19 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p Mar 14,28 | Fri | 2-3p All Ages



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

#### **Green Things Evening Storytime** Mar 4 | Tue | 6:30-7:15p Ages 4-8

The March Evening Storytime is Green Things! There will be green stories and other activities.

**Preschool Aerobics** Mar 6 | Thur |6:30-7p Ages 1-5 years



Children and parents/caregivers enjoy the fun of movement, juice, and stories!

#### **Child Guidance Consultations** Mar 10 | Mon | 9a-4p Ages Birth-5 years with Parent/Legal Guardian



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parent or legal guardian with them. Sessions include discussion about the normal range of early development and any parenting questions you may have in regard to your child. By appointment only! Call Child Guidance at 425-4412. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

**Mother Goose Storytime** Mar 12 | Wed | 10-10:20a Ages 1-5 years



Mother Goose rhymes and activities will entertain young children!

**Play Time** Mar 13 | Thur | 10-11a Ages 6 Months-3 Years



The March PlayTime at Del City Library hosts Yolanda Viewins from Healthy Start! The library provides toys for the children.

Game Night Mar 17 | Mon | 5:30-7:30p TeenS Teens



Teens, come join the fun and bring a friend. We will have a Wii! DDR and Super Smash Brothers.

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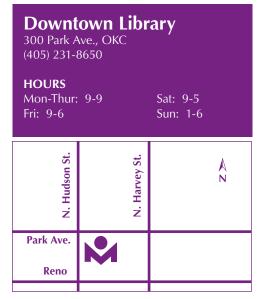


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#### **Green Things Evening Storytime** Mar 25 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p Adults

Michelle Dennison-Farris, licensed dietician from the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center will share information about diabetes such as: what your blood sugar level should be and how to get it there; how a healthy diet can improve diabetes symptoms. Call 672-1377 to pre-register.



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#### Wednesdays With Writers Mar 5 | Wed | 11:30a-1:30p Adults

A new lunch time opportunity is happening at the Downtown Library November through April. On the first Wednesday of each month, everyone is invited to lunch with Oklahoma writers. Just come to the

Downtown Library, visit the 1st Edition Café and Espresso Bar to purchase lunch, then join the writers at their tables in the atrium to eat lunch together, visit, exchange writing experiences and get to know these talented Oklahoma writers and their books.

#### Wednesday Night at the Movies Mar 5,12,19,26 | Wed | 6-8p All Ages

Join the Downtown Library every Wednesday at 6 p.m. for a movie. For information call 606-3879 or visit the 1st floor Information Desk. The March movie schedule is:

Mar 5: Hidalgo (PG-13) Mar 12: King Arthur (PG-13) Mar 19: Flight of the Phoenix (PG-13) (2004)

Mar 26: O Brother, Where Art Thou (PG-13)

#### PM Come Play With Me Mar 6 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p 10 Months-5 Years w/adult

children & FAMILIES

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

#### **Preschool Story Time** Mar 7,14,21,28 | Fri 10-10:40a **Ages 3-6**



Join us for stories, fingerplays, and an occasional game or craft.

#### Year of Piano Masterworks Mar 9 | Sun | 2-3p All Ages



Second Sundays at the Downtown Library will continue to bring Wayne McEvilly in concert with "A Year of Piano Masterworks. Beethoven's "The Pathetique Sonata" will be heard this month. Bring the whole family to enjoy an hour of extraordinary piano music in a relaxed and comfortable setting. Admission is free. Seating is limited and begins at 1:30 pm in the 46th Star Auditorium.

#### Home School Book Club Mar 12 | Wed | 10-11a Elementary Age (5-11)

Join us at the Downtown Library for a book discussion. Book topics change from month to month. For more information call the Downtown Library Children's Reference Desk at 606-3862.

#### Weather School at the Downtown Library Mar 18 | Tue | 2-3p **Elementary Age**

Looking for something exciting do over Spring Break? Join us at the library for Weather School, presented by the Meteorology team at KFOR, Channel 4.

#### **Africa: The Final Frontier** Mar 18 | Tue | 6-8:30p All Ages

Hear Mr. Larry Edwards share knowledge and a vision about the future for Africa and the role Oklahomans can play in those developing countries. Mr. Edwards is president and CEO of Global Fusion. He has recently spent several months in Africa and has some first hand information for Oklahoma business people. Students of African culture will also find this program enlightening. Co-sponsor: Global Fusion Foundation of Oklahoma.

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#### I Can't Believe I Shot That! Teen Film Festival Mar 20 | Thur | 5-9p Grades 7-12



You shot the film, you edited it and submitted it to the festival, now it's time for you to watch it with family, friends and fans of student films at the "I Can't Believe I Shot That!" Film Festival! Refreshments will be offered, prizes will be won and congratulations will be handed out for a job well done!

I Can't Believe I Shot That! Teen Film Festival Mar 20 | Thur | 6-8p All Ages

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Winning films in the "I Can't Believe I Shot

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#### Downtown Library continued.

That! Teen Film Contest" will be viewed along with the top entries! Awards will be given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize, as well as an Audience Choice prize. Refreshments will be served. Call 606-3879 to reserve a seat.

#### Child Development Consultations Mar 27 | Thur | 9a-Noon Birth-5 Years with parent



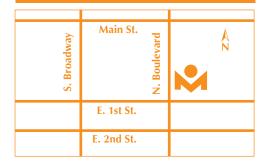
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10 S. Boulevard, Edmon (405) 341-9282

#### HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9



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#### Exhibit: All About Oklahoma—Centennial Celebration Mar 1-31, Library Hours

All Ages

Girl Scout Troop 728 provides a display about Oklahoma, yesterday and today with facts about tornadoes, teepees, Oklahoma Bombing Memorial chair, photos and decorated bison. Co-sponsor: Girl Scouts Troop 728.

#### Stamp Club Mar 1,15 | Sat | 10a-Noon 4th Grade and up

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

#### Multimedia 101 Mar 1 | Sat | 1-4p Young Adults - Age 21

This is a multimedia creative experience that will involve scripting cameras, video, sound, animation, computers and traditional art techniques. We will break up into small production units and make a short multimedia production that originates with each group. Focus will be on process. Please bring your laptops if you have them, be prepared to share with two other students. MUST call to register, 341-9282.

#### Basis Computers for Seniors Mar 1,15 | Sat | 2-3p Seniors

FREE! This is a basic computer class geared towards Seniors who know nothing about the world of computing. A list of objectives will be distributed at the door. Bring your questions to the class. Call 341-9282 to register. Registration will begin Jan. 10.

#### Farsi

Mar 2,9,16,23 | Sun 1:30-2:30p Adults & Teens



computers

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

#### Parachute Play Mar 3 | Mon | 9:30-10a 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. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City-County Heath Department.

#### Preschool Story Time Mar 3,10,17,24 | Mon 10-10:30a Ages 3-6



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

#### English as a Second Language Mar 3,5,10,12,17,19,24,26 Mon & Wed | 1-4p Adults



Improve your written and spoken English in this class offered by the Mid-Del Adult Learning Center. Class and materials are free. Enroll with the instructor on the first day of class. For questions, please call Mid-Del at 739-1783.

#### Chess Club Mar 3,17 | Mon | 3:30-5p Grades 2-7

This is a chess club taught by a skilled instructor and chess player. Free. Class is for grade school age children and meets twice a month. If you are interested or would like further information e-mail ConnieHong. ok@gmail.com.

#### ESL/Citizenship Mar 3,5,10,12,17,19,24,26 Mon & Wed 5:30-8:30p Adults



ESL/Citizenship offers English as a Second Language, along with providing citizenship information. Class and materials are free. Questions? Call 739-1783. Co-sponsor: Mid-Del Adult Learning Center.

#### Family Place: 1-2-3 Play with Me

Mar 4,11,18,25 | Tue 10-11a 10 Months - 3 1/2 Years



Playing with your baby or child is not only important for bonding but is also an educational experience for your child. We are providing a special time and place for you to come to the library and spend one-on-one time playing with your child. A different community resource professional will be available each week to answer you parenting questions. This program is intended for children 10 months to 3 1/2 years of age and their parents/guardians. Pre-register for this program at the Reference Desk.

#### Parenting With Style Mar 4 | Tue | 1:30-3p Adults



In this last session of a three session class you will discover your personality type and how it affects your parenting style. Understanding your parenting style will help you make the most of your strengths and help you to understand why others parent differently. You will complete a personality inventory to help you identify your personality type and receive the book *MotherStyles—Using Personality Type* to Discover Your Parenting Strengths by Janet Penley. A fee of \$15 will be charged to cover the cost of the book and personality inventory. Facilitated by Sarita Naegeli and Teresa Widick. Call 425 4412 to register. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

#### GED

Mar 4,6,11,15,18,20,25,27 Tue & Thur | 5:30-8:30p Adults



In this GED class review math, English, and social studies to prepare for the GED test. Class and materials are free. Sign up with instructor on the first day you attend class. Must be at least 16 to attend. Questions? Call Mid-Del at 739-1783. Co-sponsor: Mid-Del Adult Learning Center.

#### 55+ Coffee Break Mar 5,12,19,26 | Wed | 9:30-11a Seniors

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

#### AARP Tax Assistance Mar 5,12,19,26 | Wed | 10a-4p Mar 6,13,20,27 | Thur | 10a-4p &6-8:30p Adults

Free Tax Help at the Library every Wed. & Thurs. 10:00-4:00 & Thurs. evening 6-8:30p. E-FILE ONLY. AARP Volunteers will assist you in preparing your 2007 state and federal tax returns. No appointments taken, first come, first served. Must be there by 3:00 p.m. for the 10a-4p tax help session.

#### Computer Instruction with Eddie Mar 5,12,19,26 | Wed 1-5p

Ages 18 & Older



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

Computer Instruction with Dave Mar 5,12,19,26 | Wed 7-8p Ages 18 & Older



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

#### Children Reading to Dogs Mar 6,13,20,27| Thur 6-7:30p

#### Children who can read

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

#### Basis Computers for Seniors Advanced Mar 8,29 | Sat | 2-3p Seniors



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This is a free, advanced, basic computer class for Seniors who would like to learn more about the world of computing. Prerequisite: Basic Computers for Adults. Call 341 9282 to register. Registration began Jan. 10.

#### Reader's Choice Book Discussion Mar 8 | Sat | 10:30a-Noon Seniors

The Readers' Choice Book Discussion group meets once a month at the Edmond Library. Please call 341-9282 to register after February 9. (Limited to 15.)

#### Edmond Library Book Bunch Discussion Group Mar 8 | Sat | 2-3:30p Seniors

The Edmond Book Bunch meets once a month at the Edmond Library. March book is *Lone Survivor* by Marcus Lutrell. Size of group is limited to 15. Please call the library at 341-9282 to preregister.

#### Rock On! Guitar Hero Jam Session Mar 8 | Sat | 2-3:30p

Teens



Kiss your air guitar goodbye! Bring your friends and channel your inner rock star during an open play session of Guitar Hero I, II, and III. Guitar Hero is rated T.

#### Manga-Anime Club Mar 11 | Tue | 4-5p Teens



Teens! Do you love to read Manga and watch anime? Would you like to talk about these interests with others? Bring your drawings, your suggestions, and your enthusiasm to this March meeting at the library.

#### Music With Susan Mar 14,28 | Fri | 9:30-10a or 10:15-10:45a Ages 2-3



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

#### Music With Susan Mar 14,28 | Fri 11-11:30a Ages 4-6



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

#### 55 Drive Alive Mar 15 | Sat | 9:30a-4p Seniors

AARP presents safe driving tips to help prevent and reduce the tragedy of injury and death for drivers on today's roads. Attendees are eligible by Oklahoma Law to get an insurance discount for 3 years. The course is centered on senior drivers. However, anyone 16 and older may take the class. Dean Hansen from AARP is the instructor. A \$10 fee is payable on the day of the class. Make checks out to AARP. Please call 341-9282 to register. Co-sponsor: AARP.

#### Child Guidance Consultation Mar 19 | Wed | 10:30a-4p <sub>(</sub> Ages Birth-5 years



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#### **Toileting Triumph** Mar 26 | Wed | 2:30-4p For parents

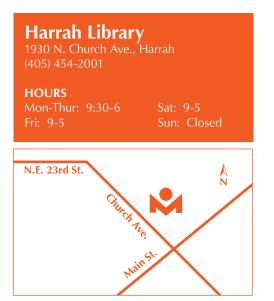


Come discuss ways to make this important milestone easier and less stressful for you and your child. We'll talk about signs of readiness, how to help your child be successful & what to do when accidents happen. Facilitated by Robyn Sears & Deborah Shapiro. Call 425-4412 to pre-register. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Story Time with Angela Mar 29 | Sat 10:30-11:15a Ages 4-6

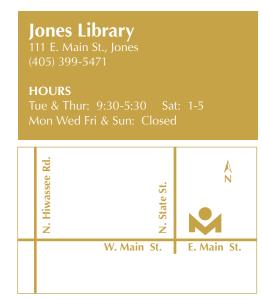


Celebrate the beginning of Spring with Angela when she brings stories and crafts for the windy days of March. Please pre-register starting March 1 by calling 341-9282, ext. 4 or come by the Children's Desk.



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#### Game Day Mar 26 | Wed | 3-5p All Ages

Come play video games at the library! Our games include Guitar Hero, DDR, MarioKart, Wii Sports, and more. Games are rated E, E10+, and T.



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#### **Community Quilting class with** Soldier Creek Quilting Group Mar 3,10,1724,31 | Mon | 9:15a-1:30p Adults

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

# Storytime

#### Mar 3,10,17 | Mon 10-10:30a and 11-11:30a Ages 2-5 with Parents



Join us for a special story time. There will be songs, stories, fingerplays and the occasional craft. Older & younger siblings are welcome. All children should be accompanied by an adult. Pre-registration is required and opens one week before the scheduled story time.

Please call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.

#### Scrapbooking Crop Mar 3 | Mon | 6:30-8:30p All Ages

What is a Crop? The name comes from the activity of trimming or cropping photos. Scrapbooking Crops are designed to allow you to meet new friends in a group setting while working on your scrapbooks. Some people attend crops merely for the socialization, while others go to complete as many scrapbook pages as possible. No matter what your intent is, you will surely benefit from a fun gathering with like-minded scrapbookers! Register at the Information Desk or call 732-4828.

#### **Teens Helping Other Teens** Mar 4,18 | Tue | 5-6p Ages 12-18



Join the Youth Council of Midwest City. T.H.O.T. is where teens can have fun and help their community. For more information contact Sam Richards at 737-4828.

#### **Mid-Del Toastmasters** Mar 4,11,18,25 | Tue | 6-8p Adults

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

#### Parachute Play Mar 5 | 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: Oklahoma City-County Heath Dept.

#### Scottish Gaelic Language Learner's Group Mar 5,19 | Wed | 7-8:30p Adults and Age 10 & Older



Come learn this ancient and fascinating language with the Scottish Gaelic Language Learner's Group. Beginning students will benefit from observing language lessons and interaction of advanced students. Interested? Questions? Call Judy Durbin at 737-5140 or Barry Acker at 361-1185.

#### **Adventure Book Club** Mar 6 | Thur | 5-6p Ages 9-13

Join us for fun and adventure while we read the "Series of Unfortunate Events" books. Copies can be picked up on registration. Register at the Midwest City Information Desk or by calling 732-4828.

#### **Hunter Education Safety Course** Mar 8 | Sat | 9a-2:30p Ages 10 & Older

This home-study-based course is designed to improve your hunter safety skills and performance on hunter safety tests. You must either obtain a workbook directly from the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation or pick up a workbook up at the Midwest City Library. Complete the workbook prior to class and bring it with you to the class. Specific details about the ODWC Hunter's Education program can also be viewed online at ww.wildlifedepartment. com/hunted2.htm. Participants ages 12 and younger must be accompanied by an adult.

#### **Open Mic Poetry Reading** Mar 10 | Mon | 7-8p Ages 14 and Older

Poetry Lovers! Join us for an evening of poetry. Bring your own work or your favorite poem to share with the group.

#### **Rock On! Guitar Hero** lam Session Mar 11 | Tue | 4-5p Teens



Kiss your air guitar goodbye! Bring your friends and channel your inner rock star during an open play session of Guitar Hero I, II, and III. Guitar Hero is rated T.

#### **Chess Club** Mar 11 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p All Ages

Do you like chess? Everyone is welcome to the Midwest City Chess Club. Beginners can learn new moves and veterans can sharpen their skills. Please pre-register due to limited space by calling 732-4828.

#### Yu-Gi-Oh Tournament Mar 13 | Thur | 4-5p Ages 10-16



Do you have what it takes to be the "King of Games?" Join the Midwest City Yu-Gi-Oh Tournament to trade or play for prizes. No pre-registration required.

**Book Bug Club** Mar 13 | Thur | 4:30-5:30p Grades 1-3 Join us in the Book Bug Club! We will have a snack, play a game and make a craft. We will be discussing Flat Stanley by Jeff Brown. You can pick up a copy of the book at the Information Desk. Pre-registration is required. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.

#### **Eth-Noh-Tec presents: Asian Treasure Bag** Mar 17 | Mon 1:30-2:30p Ages 6 and older



Together since 1982, Nancy Wang and Robert Kikuchi-Yngojo of Eth-Noh-Tec have performed stories for adults and children alike nationally and internationally. Nancy and Robert weave music, dance, rhythmic dialogue, lively facial expressions and the spoken word to inspire the imagination and to bring their stories alive. Their highly stylized and lyrical movement is often accompanied by musical instruments such as Japanese taiko drums, voice and the ditze and shakuhachi bamboo flutes of Asia. Co-sponsors: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System, Oklahoma Arts Council, and National Endowment for the Arts.

#### **Midwest City Readers' Society** Mar 18 | 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.

#### Teen Anime/Manga Club Mar 20 | Thur | 4-5p Ages 13-18



Teens can join the Teen Anime/Manga Club to talk about teen anime and manga. Please pre-register by calling 732-4828.

#### Talk It Up Book Club Mar 20 | Thur | 4:30-5:30p Grades 4-6

Join us in the Talk It Up! Book Club! We will have a snack, play a game and make a craft! We will be discussing Joe Sherlock: The Haunted Toolshed by David Keane. You can pick up a copy of the book at the Information Desk. Pre-registration is required. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.

**Child Guidance Consultation Appointments** Mar 24 | Mon | 9a-4:30p Ages Birth-5 years Child Guidance Consultation appointments in



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the library are provided by Child Guidance Services, Oklahoma City-County Health Department, free of charge. Each child must have a parent or legal guardian with them. Sessions include discussion about the normal range of early development and any parenting questions you may have in regard to your child. Consultation by appointment only and take approximately 1 hour. Parents, sign up early as appointment slots fill up fast! Call Child Guidance at 425-4412.

#### Toddler Aerobics Mar 24 | Mon | 10-10:30a Ages 2-5 with 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. Pre-registration is required. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.

#### Do Fence Me In: Setting Limits With Love Mar 24 | Mon | 5-6p Adults



Next to love, setting limits is a parent's second most important gift to a child. This workshop will offer suggestions for providing clear, consistent, and predictable expectations. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Department.

#### Whose Line? Improv Night! Mar 25 | Tue | 5-6p Ages 13-18



Join us at Midwest City Library for fun improvisational theatre games based off the TV show, "Whose Line Is It Anyway." No experience required. Pre-register to perform by calling 732-4828 or just come and watch the show.

#### Yarn Club Mar 26 | Wed | 4-6p All Ages

Attention crochet and knitting enthusiasts! Bring your favorite pattern, or browse the library's selection. Crochet hooks, knitting needles, and scrap yarn will be available. Register at the Information Desk, or call 732-4828.

#### Philosopher's Café Mar 27 | Thur | 4-5p Grades 3-6

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

#### Sudoku Society Mar 27 | Thur | 4-5p Ages 10-16



Do you like Sudoku? Try your hand at our games. Register by calling 732-4828.

#### Wii Bowling Mar 31 | Mon | 6-7:30p Adults

Join us for an evening of bowling on the Nintendo Wii. Registration is limited, so visit the Information Desk or call 732-4828 to sign up today!

# Nicoma Park Library 2240 Overholser, Nicoma Park (405) 769-9452 HOURS Tue-Thur: 9:30-5:30 Sun & M: Close Fri & Sat: 9-5 N.E. 23rd St.

#### 2008 Winter Readfest Feb. 1 - March 31 Ages 55 and Older

Reading program for age 55 plus adults. Gifts and prize drawings. Began 2-1-08 and ends 3-31-08. Call 405-606-3835 for information. Co-sponsor: Friends of the Library.

#### Kids Crafting for Spring Mar 1 | Sat | 10-Noon All Ages

Children of all ages will create a Spring craft. Children younger than 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Please pre-register by calling 769-9452 or by dropping by the Nicoma Park Library.

#### Eth-Noh-Tec presents: Asian Treasure Bag Mar 20 | Thur

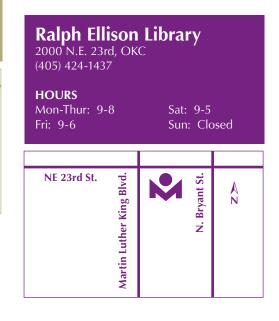
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#### Spring Craft Mar 25 | Tue | 10a-Noon Adults

Come join us to make a Spring Craft Item. Bring a sack lunch if you want to stay and chat. Please, pre-register by calling 769-9452 or by dropping by the library.



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#### VITA Income Tax Assistance Mar 1,8,15,22,29 | Sat | 9a-5p Adults

Trained volunteers will provide free basic tax help on 2007 returns. Bring a copy of last year's return, W-2 income forms, & information about deductions. A photo ID is required to file taxes.

#### Society of Urban Poets Mar 1 | Sat | 11a-1p Adults

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

#### **Resumé Workshop with Bob Davis** Mar 4 | Tue | 6-7p Adults

Come to the library and let Bob Davis show you how to create a professional resumé. Admission is free. Pre-registration is required.

#### Let's Talk Toastmasters Mar 5,12,19,26 | Wed | 6-7p Adults

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

#### **Rock On! Guitar Hero** Jam Session Mar 6 | Thur | 4-5p Teens



Kiss your air guitar goodbye! Bring your friends and channel your inner rock star during an open play session of Guitar Hero I, II, and III. Guitar Hero is rated T.

#### **Preschool Story Time** Mar 11,25 | Tue 10-10:40a **Ages 1-5**



Stories, rhymes, songs and more! Come join in the fun. Call 424-1437 to pre-register, or inquire at the Information Desk.

#### **Eth-Noh-Tec presents:** Asian Treasure Bag Mar 17 | Mon 10:30-11:30a Ages 6 and older



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#### **AARP Monthly Meeting** Mar 20 | Thur | 10-11:30a Adults 50+

Discussion of issues affecting Seniors 50 years and older.

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

HOURS Mon-Thur: 9-9



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Seussical Saturday Mar 1 | Sat | 2-3:30p Children of All Ages



Come enjoy some Seussical fun as we celebrate the birthday of one of the most beloved children's authors, Dr. Seuss. Enjoy crafts, games, food, & fun. Children are encouraged to come dressed as their favorite Dr. Seuss character, but are not required to. Please sign up at the Information Desk or by calling 631-4468.

#### **Preschool Story Time** Mar 3,10,24 | Mon 10:30-11:15a Ages 2-6 with Adult

Introduce young children to books and reading at our fun story times! Children will have fun with books, songs, and activities as they build their early literacy skills. Please pre-register by calling 631-4468.

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Mar 3,5,10,12,24,26,31 Mon & Wed | 3:30-6p Adults Review math, social studies, English skills



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and reading comprehension. Register with the instructor the first day you attend class. Materials are free. Co-sponsor: Mid-Del Adult Learning Center.

#### Fan Fiction and Original Writing Workshop With **Rob Vollmar** Mar 3 | Mon | 7-8:30p Ages 14 and Older



In this workshop you will learn: 1) Tips for writing better fanfiction, 2) Tips for writing original fiction, and 3) Helpful fanfiction Websites. Rob is the author of several award winning graphic novels and numerous articles on writing and comics. He has taught at the high school and college level and has been interviewed on National Public Radio. Call to pre-register!

#### **Parenting With Style** Mar 4 | Tue 9:30-11a For Parents/Caregivers of Young Children



In this three session class you will discover your personality type. Understanding your parenting style will help you make the most of your strengths and help you to understand why others parent differently. Complete a personality inventory to find your personality type and receive the book, "MotherStyles-Using Personality Type to Discover Your Parenting Strengths," by Janet Penley. A \$15 is charged to cover the book and inventory. Call Child Guidance at 425-4412 to pre-register.

#### **Rock On! Guitar Hero** Jam Session Mar 4 | Tue | 6:30-8:30p Teens



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### **AARP Tax Help**

Mar 5,12,19,26 | Wed | 9a-2:30p Mar 6,13,20,27 | Thur | 9a-2:30p Adults

Volunteers will assist you in preparing your 2007 state and federal tax returns. First come are first served. Co-sponsor: AARP.

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#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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#### Child Guidance Consultation Appointments Mar 7 | Fri | 9a-4p Ages Birth-5 years



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

#### Southern Oaks Book Club Mar 11 | Tue | 11:30a-12:30p Adults

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

#### Scarlet Kitsune Anime Club Screening Mar 12,26 | Wed 6:30-8:30p Teens



The Scarlet Kitsune Anime Club will be screening ADV & FUNimation screening reels and other anime titles. Call 631-4468 for more information. Co-sponsor: Scarlet Kitsune Anime Club!

#### SO Write: Creative Writing Club for Kids Mar 13 | Thur | 4:30-5:30p For Kids Ages 9-12

Come share your writing with us! Kids will do some mad libs, some writing games or exercises, and share something they've written. We'll also have a snack. Pre-register by calling 631-4468 or by visiting the Information Desk.

#### Fan Fiction and Fan Art Contest Deadline Mar 16 | Sun | 1-6p All Ages

Today is the last day to submit entries for the Scarlet Kitsune Fan Fiction & Fan Art Contest. Entries may be submitted by dropping them off at Southern Oaks Public Library c/o John Hilbert. Work may also be submitted through e-mail to: jhilbert@ metrolibrary.org or greenmel555@yahoo.com. Fan Fiction entries must be 2000 words or less. Deadline for entries is March 16. Prizes include \$100 Visa Gift Cards, gift certificates, and more. Winners will be announced March 22, 1:30 PM at Southern Oaks Library. Must be present to win! Please call 631-4468 for more information! Co-sponsor: Scarlet Kitsune Anime Club.

#### Metropolitan Library Commission of Oklahoma County

Mar 20 | Thur | 3:30-5p Souther Oaks Library 6900 S. Walker Oklahoma City, OK 73139 405.631.4468 The public is welcome to attend.

#### Eth-Noh-Tec presents: Asian Treasure Bag Mar 21 | Fri 1:30-2:30p Ages 6 and older



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#### Fan Fiction and Fan Art Contest Party Mar 22 | Sat | 1:30-4p All Ages

Come hear and see the winning entries for the Scarlet Kitsune Anime Club Fan Fiction & Fan Art Contest March 22, 1:30 p.m. Entries may be submitted through email to: jhilbert@ metrolibrary.org or greenmel555@yahoo.com, or by dropping them off at Southern Oaks Library c/o John Hilbert. Deadline for entries is March 16. Prizes include \$100 Visa Gift Cards, gift certificates, and more. Co-sponsor: Scarlet Kitsune Anime Club!

#### Parachute Play Mar 28 | Fri | 10:30-11a Ages 3-6 with Parents



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

#### The Village Library

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

# HOURS Mon-Thur: 9-9 Sat: 9-5 Fri: 9-6 Sun: Closed

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#### **AARP Tax Assistance**

Mar 1,8,15,22,29 | Sat | 10a-3p Mar 4,11,18,25 | Tue | 10a-8p Mar 5,12,19,26 | Wed | 10a-3p Adults

AARP trained volunteers will assist you in preparing your 2007 state and federal tax returns. No appointments taken. First come, first served.

#### Tai Chi with Mickey Sherman Mar 3,10,17,24 | Mon | 9-10a Adults

Join Tai Chi instructor Mickey Sherman for these free, fun and informative sessions. For 16 weeks we will meet at 9 am. New participants can check in with the instructor. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

#### English as a Second Language Mar 3,5,10,12,24,26,31 Mon & Wed | 6-8:30p Adults



Improve your English speaking, reading and writing skills in this free class for people who are new to the English language. Register at 739-1783. Co-sponsor: Mid-Del Learning Ctr.

#### Introduction to Microsoft Excel Mar 3,10,17,24,31 | Thur 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 8:30 pm. Scheduled in 30 minute to one hour sessions per individual. Come in or call to reserve your instruction time. Village Library (405) 755-0710

Story Time March 4,11 | Tue 10-10:30a Ages 2-5 years



Join us for lively stories, songs, and crafts. Pre-register at the Information Desk or call 755.0710.

#### Booktime Mar 6,13 | Thur | 4:30-4:45p All Ages

Come and join us in reading a few books aloud. Short, sweet, and highly entertaining.

#### Spanish Language Class Mar 6,13,20,27 Thur | 6:30-8:30p Adults



Join instructor Claudia Marin for a fun, free class to learn the basics of Spanish. Students will meet for 16 sessions on Thursday nights from Feb 14-May 29. Please call 755-0710 to sign up, as space is limited. Sponsored by the Village Friends of the Library.

"To Be Announced..." The Village Library's Improv Group Mar 7,21 | Fri | 5-6p Teens



Come participate in hilarious games with the teen comedy improv group, "To Be Announced..." at the Village Library. No experience necessary! Sign-up at the Information Desk.

#### Book Discussion Group Mar 17 | 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 p.m. to discuss our latest pick. Copies of this month's title can be picked up at the Village Information Desk.

#### Anime Club Mar 20 | Thur | 4-5p Ages 13-18



Join us this month for a screening of a great anime show! The Village Library Anime Club meets monthly to discuss manga and watch Japanese cartoons. Bring your artwork, pick up some freebies, and be prepared for some fun discussion. Snacks will be provided. Anime may contain material considered unsuitable for ages 13 and younger. Pre-register at the Information Desk.

#### Learn to Protect Your Computer Mar 20 | Thur | 6:30-8p Adults

Free computer class for adults! Learn how to protect yourself and your computer from all the bad, nasty bugs on the Internet. Learn how to use antivirus programs, how to update your computer to protect it from the most recent threats that appear, and how to protect your personal information on the Internet.

#### Eth-Noh-Tec presents: Asian Treasure Bag Mar 21 | Fri 10:30-11:30a Ages 6 and older



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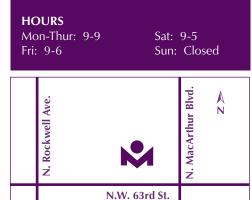
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#### Warr Acres Library

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



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#### AARP Tax Help

Mar 3,10,17,24 | Mon | 9a-2p Mar 6,13,20,27 | Thur | 9a-2p Adults

AARP Volunteers will assist you in preparing your 2007 state and federal tax returns 9 a.m. -2 p.m. every Monday and Thursday until Monday April 14. (No appointments; first come are first served.)

#### English as a Second Language Mar 3,5,10,12,24,26,31 Mon & Wed | 5:30-8:30p Adults



Improve your written and spoken English in this class offered by the Mid-Del Adult Learning Center. Class & materials are free. Enroll with the instructor on the first day of class. Questions, call Mid-Del at 739-1783.

Music Play with Ms. Susan Mar 4,18 | Tue 10:30-11:15a Ages 2 ½ to 5 years



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

Teach Your Children Cooperation Mar 4 | Tue | 2:30-4p Adults



The way we speak to toddlers affects their behavior. The language you choose can make

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the difference in whether or not your child listens, cooperates, and learns. Come and learn some simple ways to stimulate your child's best behavior and best language. Facilitated by Deborah Shapiro and Robyn Sears. Sign up is required by calling Child Guidance at 425-4412. No daycare provided.

#### Family Place: 1-2-3 Play with Me Mar 4,11,18,25, Apr 1 | Tue 6:30-7:30p 10 Months - 3 1/2 Years



Playing with your baby or child is not only important for bonding but is also an educational experience for your child. We are providing a special time and place for you to come to the library and spend one-on-one time playing with your child. A different community resource professional will be available each week to answer your parenting questions. This program is intended for children 10 months to 3 1/2 years of age and their parents/guardians. Pre-register for this program at the Reference Desk.

#### Caldecott Art Club for Children Mar 8 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a 5 years and older

Children and their families will enjoy creating animal cartoons inspired by award winning illustrator William Steig. (Children may bring a photo of a pet.) Please call to pre-register and join us every month for a fun, art time.

#### Annuals and Perennials Mar 8 | Sat | 2-3p Adults

Master Gardner Jo Vincent-Martin will present an informative PowerPoint presentation. Learn about adding color to your garden, and selecting and growing great annuals and perennials. Presentation will be followed with a question and answer session. Light refreshments will be served.

#### Warr Acres Book Club Mar 10 | Mon | 11a-Noon Adults

The Warr Acres Book Club meets the second Monday of each month. We will be discussing Fannie Flagg's book, *Can't Wait to Get to Heaven*. Come and enjoy it with us.

#### Play Time for Babies and Tots Mar 12,19,26 | Wed 9:15-10a and 10:30-11:15a Ages 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.

#### Children Reading to Dogs Mar 13 | Thur 6:30-7:30p Age 5 & Older



Loveable dogs and their trained owners will help children develop reading skills. So grab a favorite book and enjoy a time of reading in our meeting room. Dogs and owners are trained and certified as dog therapy teams by Therapy Dogs International. Children will read 5-10 min. each. Please call to pre-register.

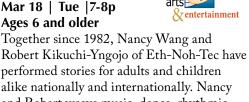
#### Child Guidance Consultations Mar 14 | Fri | 9a-4p Ages Birth-5 years

All children MUST be accompanied by parent or legal guardian and have a scheduled appointment. Each appointment is approximately one hour with discussion about the normal range of early development and any parenting questions you may have in regard to your child. Please call to schedule an appointment at 425-4412.

#### Coffee Break Mar 17 | Mon | 9:30-10:30a Adults

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

#### Eth-Noh-Tec presents: Asian Treasure Bag Mar 18 | Tue |7-8p Ages 6 and older



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#### Game Night Mar 20 | Thur | 7-8:30p Teens



#### We have a Wii! We'll play Super Smash Brothers & DDR too! Please call to preregister.

#### Wrigh<u>t Library</u>

2101 Exchange, OKC 405) 235-5035

#### HOURS

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



#### 2008 Winter Readfest Feb. 1 - March 31 Ages 55 and Older

Reading program for age 55 plus adults. Gifts and prize drawings. Began 2-1-08 and ends 3-31-08. Call 405-606-3835 for information. Co-sponsor: Friends of the Library.



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2008 CALENDAR



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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.

#### Eyewitness: Prehistoric life [videorecording] J560/EY975e/VIDEO/DISC

With the release of the new movie 10,000 BC this month, prehistoric man will be making a comeback. This TV production from the BBC follows scientists as they uncover fossils, trace evolution through the geological time periods and examine continental drift. Kids may get a kick out of the idea that if humans ever leave Earth, the lowly cockroach may become our replacement.

# Turner, Alan. *National Geographic Prehistoric Mammals*. Illus. by Mauricio Antâon.

#### J569/T9262p

Show me the boy with soul so dead he never to his mom has said, "If a wooly mammoth follows me home, can I keep him?" Many kids who have spent hours looking at books and movies about dinosaurs have never paid much attention to ancient mammals, but this book will change their ways. It's great to take a look at before a visit to the zoo to see the modern versions of these fascinating animals.



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BETHANY 3510 N. Mueller, Bethany, 789-8363	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	_	
CAPITOL HILL 334 S.W. 26th, OKC, 634-6308	9-8	9-8	9-8	9-8	9-6	9-5	_	
CHOCTAW 2525 Muzzy Street, Choctaw, 390-8418	9-8	9-8	9-8	9-8	9-6	9-5	_	
DEL CITY 4509 S.E. 15th, Del City, 672-1377	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	_	
<b>DOWNTOWN</b> 300 Park Ave., OKC, 231-8650	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6	
EDMOND 10 S. Boulevard, Edmond, 341-9282		9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
MIDWEST CITY 8143 E. Reno, MWC, 732-4828		9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
RALPH ELLISON 2000 N.E. 23rd, OKC, 424-1437		9-8	9-8	9-8	9-8	9-6	9-5	_
SOUTHERN OAKS 6900 S. Walker, OKC, 631-4468		9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
THE VILLAGE 10307 N. Pennsylvania Avenue, The Village, 755-0710			9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	_
WARR ACRES 5901 N.W. 63rd, Warr Acres, 721-2616		9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	_
MLS EXTENSION LIBRARIES*	м	т	w	тн		F	S	S
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*JONES 111 E. Main, Jones, 399-5471	_	9:30-5:30	_	9:30-5:30		_	1-5	_
*LUTHER 310 N.E. 3rd, Luther, 277-9967	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6		9-5	9-5	_
*NICOMA PARK 2240 Overholser, Nicoma Park, 769-9452	_	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9:30-	5:30	9-5	9-5	_
*WRIGHT 2101 Exchange, OKC, 235-5035	_	10-5:30	10-5:30 10-5:30		:30	10-3	10-3	_

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