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## New *info*

Seasons come and seasons go but you can always depend on your Metropolitan Library System to bring you the best in live local and international music. In November, you can find everything from musical programs for children, to Songs From a Cattle Drive, to Rahim Alhaj and Souhail Kaspar performing music from Iraq.

Prefer non-musical theater? Look for improv sessions and Reader's Theater and even presentations of Japanese animation—anime.

With language classes and a variety of programs that highlight the arts, MLS is a one-stop shopping destination for entertainment and information that introduces you and your family to the rest of the world. And, of course, it's all free.

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# For Whom the Beale Tolls

*by Larry Johnson*

In November, 1889,  
Henry Overholser and  
his fellow northsiders  
found themselves in a  
fight for the fledgling  
village of Oklahoma  
City. They got all they  
could handle in Andrew  
Jackson Beale.





**A**fter the 1889 Land Run, Congress, in all their wisdom, neglected to make provisions for townsites or for governments. Two land development companies, nicknamed the Seminoles and the Kickapoos, arrived at Oklahoma Station that first day and produced two surveys with two different results. After a few days of chaos, a compromise was reached using the north half of the Seminole survey and the south half of the Kickapoo. It was an uneasy truce complicated by the fact that many of the leading Seminoles were Sooners who had entered the land illegally.

Kickapoo leader A.J. Beale was no stranger to being orphaned by his government. As a young doctor in Cynthiana, Kentucky, Beale joined the Confederate call to arms when it looked as though his state would leave the Union in 1861. But borderline Kentucky never seceded and the unionist government refused to support Beale and his fellow graycoats. Thus the famous Orphan Brigade from Kentucky remained in combat for the duration of the war with no home to go to and nothing to live for. Captain Beale led his Kentuckians through the indescribable hell of some of the Civil War's bloodiest battles. After fighting at places with nicknames like "The Hornet's Nest" and "The Slaughter Pen," Beale was captured and spent a short time as a prisoner of war. It was common in those days to parole prisoners to return to their homes and fight no longer, but Beale could not return home, so he became a surgeon in Virginia where he witnessed from the operating

table the carnage that would earn the opposing Union commander the nickname "Grant the Butcher."

Beale became a leading citizen in Cynthiana after the war, but inexplicably made the Oklahoma land run 25 years later. When first mayor William Couch resigned to defend his land against a squatter, "refined Southern

gentleman" Beale ran against Overholser to replace him on a platform intent on restoring the original Kickapoo survey. He won a narrow 14-vote margin and made good on his promise to evict the Seminoles. This sparked a civil war in town which pitted "lot jumpers" against armed settlers. The violence and strife exploded so quickly that before Baby New Year 1890 could take the hourglass from 1889, federal marshals declared elections in Oklahoma City invalid. All city ordinances were revoked, city departments closed, and the council



*Captain Andrew Jackson Beale.*

dismissed and Oklahoma City fell under martial law. Or marshal law as it happened. In May of 1890, Congress created Oklahoma Territory and on July 15 a united Oklahoma City was formed.

Dr. Andrew Jackson Beale remained in town for its first ten years before returning home to Cynthiana where he died after a life of service to others in 1909.

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# Reviews & Recommendations

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## Crucifixion River

by Marcia Muller and Bill Pronzini

reviewed by Doug Bentin



Readers of mysteries will be more familiar with Muller and Pronzini than will readers of westerns, although Pronzini has been producing them intermittently for decades. What may come as a surprise is that Muller, creator of female private eye Sharon McCone, and Pronzini, author of The Nameless Detective series, are married. They've written several detective stories as a team, but the novelette that gives its title to this collection is their first collaborative western.

It's a story of escape and pursuit told on several levels and blends crime and western conventions smoothly.

The eight other tales are a mixed bag of western

and crime shorts, including some featuring series characters McCone, Nameless, John Quincannon and Sabina Story. The final piece is another co-authored yarn originally published in a crime anthology 10 years ago.

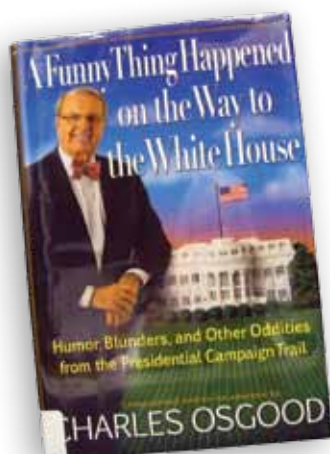
If you're familiar with the work of either of these authors and you'd like to see something a little different from them, take a dip into *Crucifixion River*.

*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/>*

## A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the White House: Humor, Blunders, and Other Oddities from the Presidential Campaign Trail

Collected by Charles Osgood

reviewed by Anita Roesler



This book of quips, quotes, and comments disputes the notion that running for the presidency is a serious business. Beginning with the election of Harry Truman over Thomas Dewey and ending with the election of George Bush over John Kerry, each chapter begins by detailing the number of popular and electoral votes each candidate and his Vice-Presidential running mate received.

The Truman/Dewey campaign was the greatest election upset in history, and the Bush/Gore campaign was the most controversial and closest election in U.S. history.

A few of the facts Osgood notes are: rumors Nixon lost to Kennedy because of his face stubble; he refused to wear make-up on TV and he looked haggard and unshaven. Comedian Mort Sahl stated in that election he didn't think either candidate would win. Richard Nixon went on the popular

TV show "Rowen and Martin's Laugh In" and yelled "Sock it to me!" while Spiro Agnew couldn't keep his foot out of his mouth. Al Gore once introduced himself as "the man who used to be the next president of the United States." Ronald Reagan beat Jimmy Carter in spite of Reagan's age, stating that he wasn't afraid of debating Carter after being on stage with John Wayne. Bob Dole once remarked after an election loss that "he slept like a baby; every two hours he woke up and cried."

This book is full of little known and humorous tidbits. It is the go-to source for campaign humor and makes the endless race to the presidency a lot more fun.

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## Little People in the City: The Street Art of Slinkachu

by Slinkachu

reviewed by Jana Hausburg



*Policeman: Excuse me, Sir. Would you mind telling me what you are doing?*

*Slinkachu: Oh. Er...I was just gluing down this little plastic person.*

*Policeman: Eh?*

*Slinkachu. Here, look. It's an ...er...an art thing. Kind of. I take photos of these little people. Then leave them.*

*Policeman: Oh, ha! Cute...*

I wouldn't call it cute. Mesmerizing, yes. Odd, perhaps. Fascinating, definitely. When I cataloged this book -- composed primarily of colored photographs and one-line captions -- I couldn't put it down. I had to look through the whole thing. And I couldn't describe it any better than Will Self does in the foreword, calling it a work that captures "the evanescent existence of the

diminutive in the great and troubling city..."

Who is Slinkachu? He is a London-based artist, specializing in installation art. He takes figures made for model train sets and fashions them into recreations of real people doing real, sometimes very bad things. They may look like toys, but by posing these little people in scenes of both mayhem and mundanity, the viewer is left feeling oddly disoriented.

Take a glimpse of the photo on page 109 and wonder about what went so terribly wrong on *Bad First Date*; commiserate with the lonely blonde in *Stood Up Again*; wonder what happened to the young mother in *Twelve Months Later*. Enter the world of the small: so similar to our own, right down to the anxieties that come with urban living.

*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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## Slamming Open the Door

by Kathleen Sheeder Bonanno

reviewed by Jana Hausburg



There is power in poetry. Its limitations allow one to communicate so much using clarity and conciseness. What is left out says just as much as what is not.

I picked up this little book of poems after hearing the author interviewed on NPR. The subject matter is grim: Bonanno writes about the murder of her daughter. I'm glad I heard the mother's voice on the radio before I read the material about the child. Otherwise, I couldn't have gotten through to the end.

The poems are beautiful and devastating. They both broke my heart and gave me hope. I read through most of them in a 15-minute sitting, but I had to put the book down because at one point, it was just too hard to go on.

"Why would I want to read something like that?" a friend asked when I recommended it to him. Why, indeed? Most of us have experienced loss in some form or another. We're familiar with grief, the valley of shadows we must walk through before seeing a rising sun. So why listen to the voice of a woman who has experienced a terrible trauma? Why let the words draw us closer to unflinching, raw pain?

I can't answer. I can only quote a review that comes from the back cover of the book:

*"How does one say I love this book, which I wish never had to be written? Only one way: I love this book. I wish it did not have to be written."*

— Thomas Lux



# Reviews & Recommendations

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## Starr Tracks

by Phillip W. Steele

reviewed by Kelley Riha



Author, Phillip W. Steele's research draws a clearer picture of Belle Starr's life in *Starr Tracks*, a short 112 page paperback. It is a brief yet effective journey into the most infamous and romanticized female outlaw of the old west. Steele pieces together the honest-to-goodness story of Belle Starr through an interview with Belle's great great granddaughter, remaining family letters and family photos that are truly priceless for history buffs.

Researching online at the library, a telegram from the 1910 Fort Worth Star surfaced. Belle's reputation at the turn of the century was described: "Myra Belle Shirley -- that was her maiden name -- fell as far short of her general reputation as a coyote does of being a cougar." The FW Star goes on to say, "The years, in fact, have given increase to the blood and thunder notoriety that caused her name to be spoken in whispers by timid persons in

the days when she swaggered in Indian Territory towns with her sombrero atilt, and her pistols glistening in her belt, or when she rode into Fort Smith, despite Judge Parker and his hangman, Maledon, and browbeat policemen with oaths and display of firearms, until they were at the point of jumping their jobs." Whatta gal!

If you long for the sound of Belle's name ringing in your ears, there are two CDs you may want to consider checking out from the library; James Talley's "Woody Guthrie and Songs of My Oklahoma Home" and "All the Road Running" recorded by Mark Knopfler and Emmylou Harris.

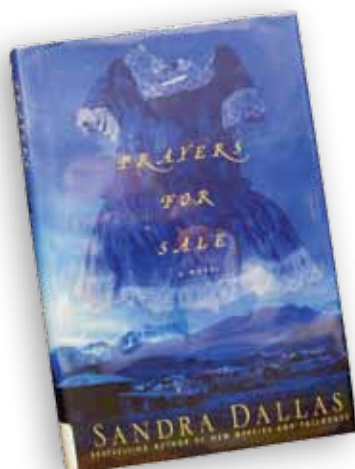
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## Prayers for Sale

by Sandra Dallas

reviewed by Phyllis Davidson



Hennie Comfort survived the Civil War, although her husband and daughter did not. Afterwards, a friend invited her to leave the south and come to the gold-mining town of Middle Swan, Colorado, to meet a good man who was looking for a wife. Hennie accepted the invitation and fell in love with both the man and the mountains.

Hennie is now 86 years old. She has been living in Middle Swan for 70 years when a young couple moves in nearby, and Hennie recognizes a kindred spirit in Nit. They've both lost a child, and Nit is terrified of losing her husband to the mines like Hennie did.

Hennie has promised her adopted daughter that

she will leave the mountains before the next winter to live with her in Iowa, so she begins to pass on her mountain lore to Nit. The stories are shared as the women sit around quilting frames or in mountain meadows full of raspberries. Hennie carries the burden of something that she must set right before she leaves, because she can't be sure she will ever be able to return to her beloved mountain home. Readers should be pleased with the surprise ending.

This title also available as an OverDrive WMA Audiobook.

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# Thursday Noon Tunes

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

**November 5:** Son del Barrio – Latin Music

**November 12:** Marye Cory – Classical Piano

**November 19:** John Fulbright – Folk

**December 3:** Royce McLarry – String Trio

**December 10:** Hynsoon Whang – Classical Piano

**December 17:** Sweet Adelines – A Cappella Vocal

*All performances are free and open to the public.*

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








# *The Music Of* **IRAQ**

*Since we began our autumn international music series a few years ago, we've taken you to China, Eastern Europe, India, Siberia, and South America. This November, our musical odyssey takes us to the Middle East for "Music of Iraq."*







The series begins on Sunday, November 8 and continues through Friday, November 13 at eight MLS library locations.

"I am as excited to bring these outstanding musicians to our libraries," said MLS Director of Outreach Services Dana Morrow, "as I have ever been to present any musicians here. It's not often you can say without hyperbole that someone does what he does better than anyone else in the world, but I'm saying it now."

Our musicians are from Iraq and Lebanon. Rahim Alhaj is a virtuoso on an instrument call the "oud," a pear-shaped stringed ancestor of the lute. He will be accompanied by Grammy-nominated master percussionist Souhail Kaspar.

Rahim Alhaj was born in Baghdad and began playing the oud when he was nine, going on to study at the Institute of Music in Baghdad. He graduated with a degree in composition and holds another in Arabic Literature. Forced to flee his homeland after the Gulf War because of his activism against Saddam Hussein, he moved to the U.S. in 2000 and now lives in Albuquerque.

Mr. Alhaj has recorded five CDs. About the latest one, "Home Again," Don Heckman, reviewing the CD for the Los Angeles Times, wrote: "Alhaj's

spontaneous inventions are constantly fascinating — a convincing affirmation of the rich culture of an embattled area of the world." He won the Albuquerque Arts Alliance Bravo Award 2003 for Excellence in Music and was dubbed: "The Prophet with an Oud" by a music reviewer at the College of William and Mary.

Souhail Kaspar is from Lebanon and trained at Fadi al-Fonum al-Arabia—the Conservatory of Traditional Arabic Music—in Syria. He excelled in both classical and ethnic rhythmic patterns and techniques, and received a degree in Classical Arabic Performance.

Souhail Kaspar is known worldwide for his brilliant technique, exciting performances and teaching skills. A true virtuoso, his ability to improvise and embellish the rhythmic patterns of Arabic music, as well as his knowledge of ethnic musical history make him one of the most highly acclaimed performers and instructors of our day. He is the recipient of the Durfee Music Fellowship, given to master musicians and teachers. His impressive body of recorded work includes soundtrack credits for the movies *The Prince of Egypt*, *Sinbad* and *Scooby Doo in Egypt*. He has been featured on many CDs including guest percussionist on "Caravan" with the cutting edge Kronos Quartet.

Currently, Souhail Kaspar lives in Los Angeles.

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# E-books Ready W

People have been predicting the death of print for years now and it hasn't happened yet. We don't think it will for a long time to come—there are just too many folks who still like the feel, heft, and smell of a real book.

**B**ut there are more people, and their numbers are growing all the time, who are willing to trade those things in for the convenience and portability of an e-book reader, and we think they are deserving of good library service, too.

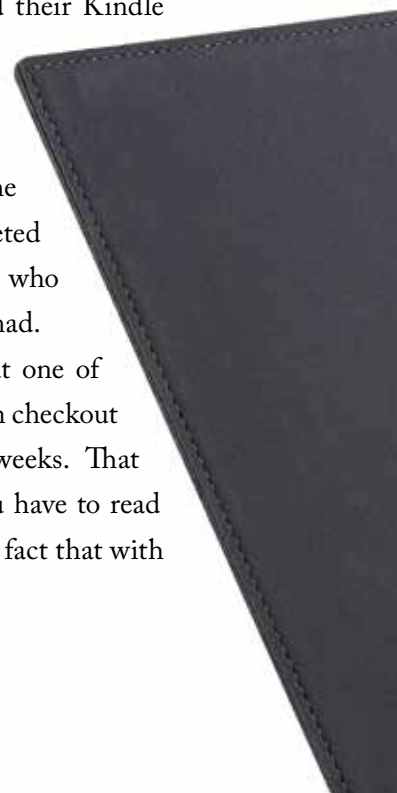
Sure, books are easily portable—unless, that is, you want to carry several of them around with you. Say you're going on vacation and, as a big reader, you need to take three or four books along. The extra weight isn't going to be a deal breaker, but it is inconvenient. If you could download those books into your laptop or e-book reader, you won't need any extra space to carry them along.

Did you know that the Metropolitan Library System now has e-books available for online checkout? You can read them from a computer monitor or from a portable e-reader, like the

newest model from SONY and several others. Unfortunately, the e-books we get from our supplier cannot be downloaded into the Amazon.com Kindle reader. Our texts come in the standardized Adobe epub format which cannot be read using a Kindle.

"Amazon.com recently angered their Kindle customers," said MLS Director of Information Technology Anne Fischer. "There was some confusion over the copyright of the novel *1984* so Amazon just deleted it from the Kindles of everyone who bought it. No wonder they got mad.

"If you electronically check out one of our e-books, you can set your own checkout period, either seven days or two weeks. That way you know just how long you have to read the book. And even better is the fact that with







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our e-books it's just like taking out a physical book. You have whatever length of time you choose to read it and it doesn't cost you dime."

Fischer said that this new service is beginning to make fans already. MLS currently has in its online collection close to 400 titles and is now electronically checking out e-books at the rate of over 300 a month. "We are continuing to add new and varied titles regularly," Fischer added. "These e-books were added to our budget this year so the money we spend for them is not money we had to take away from the budgets for other items, like regular books, CDs, or DVDs."

To take advantage of the new MLS e-book service, you must have a valid MLS library card. To find out how to get one, or to browse our in-house and online collections, visit our website at [www.metrolibrary.com](http://www.metrolibrary.com).



## The Wright Library

Eighty-four years ago, a quaint brick library opened in what would become known as Stockyards City. Named "Wright Library" for then-library board chairman John H. Wright, the tiny library was soon the bustling hub of the neighborhood. Today Wright Library holds the distinction of having both the smallest and oldest existing library building in the Metropolitan Library System.

For more than 15 years, MLS extension specialist Marie Nichols has been the face of Wright Library. Nichols notes that when Wright Library opened in 1925, it was the first library branch to occupy a building of its own. "Before the end of its first year," she noted, "more than 1,000 borrowers had been registered."

Credit for the library's existence goes to Mable Peacock, who became the city librarian in 1919. Peacock worked with Joe Patterson, commissioner of public property for Oklahoma City; Rev. Hale V. Davis, pastor of Exchange Baptist Church; and Harry F. Johnson, secretary of the South Town Development Company, to make the south side library a reality.

At Johnson's urgings, the South Town Development Company donated two lots on Exchange Avenue for the building site but with two stipulations: the property would revert to the company's heirs if not used for a library and the library could not be called the "Packingtown Branch."

The \$5,000 needed to build and equip the library came from the City of Oklahoma City, and the library was designed by C.G. Beveridge.

Eighty-four years later, it's just as aesthetically charming as it was the day it opened.

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

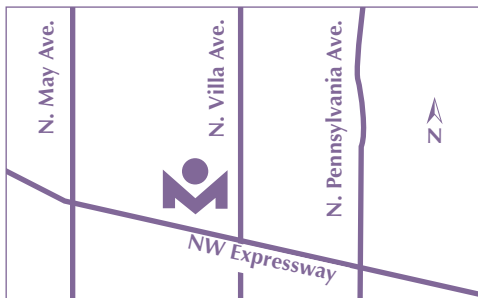
All MLS libraries will be closed November 26 and 27 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

### Belle Isle Library

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

#### HOURS

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



### Children Reading to Dogs

Nov 2,9,16,23,30 | Mon

6:30-7:30p

#### Children who can read

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



### How Healing Your Mind Helps Heal Your Body

Nov 2 | Mon | 7-8:30p

#### Teens and Adults

The public and members of the medical professions are becoming aware that good health is more than simply eating sensibly and exercising. Mental and emotional well-being has an influence of the physical body. This lecture from the OKC School of Metaphysics explores ways of thinking and the type of choices that add to our peace and wholeness. Sign up at the Reference Desk. Co-sponsor: OKC School of Metaphysics.

### ESL: Learn English as a Second Language

Nov 3,5,10,12,17,19,24

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

#### Adults

With Oklahoma City Public Schools.

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



### Traces Bus Museum Exhibit: "Held on the Homefront"

Nov 4 | Wed | 4-7p

#### All Ages

The Bus-eum 3 is a traveling museum in a bus. It contains artifacts, texts and media describing the experiences of the 380,000 housed in POW camps in the Midwest during 1943 to 1946. These camps evoke ageless yet timely themes of war and peace, justice, human rights, reconciliation, and lessons for avoiding future conflicts. Admission will be on a first come-first served basis and it is free. The Bus-eum travels from St. Paul Minnesota. Don't miss this unique opportunity.

### Parent Talk

Nov 5 | Thur | 1-4:30p

#### Adults

Sessions include discussion about 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. Co-Sponsor: OCCHD.



### Score Small Business Counseling

Nov 7,21 | 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.

### Endangered Species

Nov 7 | Sat | 2-3p

#### Ages 10-14

In what ways can we truly make a difference? Explore the challenges and solutions for wildlife here in Oklahoma and around the world. OKC Zoo will share information and show examples of how our society over the years has contributed to this issue. Co-sponsor: OKC Zoo.

### Music of Iraq presented by

Rahim Alhaj, Oud and

Souhail Kaspar, Percussion

Nov 12 | Thur | 7-8p

#### Ages 8 to adult

The Music of Iraq will be presented by virtuoso oud musician and composer Rahim AlHaj. A political refugee, Rahim's music delicately combines traditional Iraqi maqams with contemporary styling and influence. Grammy-nominated Souhail Kaspar, master Percussionist known for his rhythmic patterns of Arabic music, will accompany Rahim. Co-sponsor: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System, Oklahoma Arts Council, and National Endowment for the Arts.



### An Afternoon with Peter Fletcher, classical guitarist

Nov 14 | Sat | 2-3:30p

#### Ages 8 to adult

Hear New York-based classical guitarist Peter Fletcher, who made his formal debut in 1983 at age 15. He received a Master of Music degree from the Eastman School of Music under Nicholas Goluses, and was twice the recipient of an Eastman Graduate Award. Highly in demand, Mr. Fletcher performs over 100 concerts every year. He made his New York debut at Weill Recital





Hall at Carnegie Hall in February 2007, and returned in 2008 and 2009.

### Metro OKC Knit Guild

**Nov 15 | 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.

### Trip Around the World

**Nov 16 | Mon | 6-7:30p**

#### Grades 3-6

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

### Over the River: A Turkey's Tale

**Nov 19 | Thur | 10-11a**

#### Pre-kindergarten

Stories about turkeys and Thanksgiving will be shared by Miss B. Playtime and an activity will follow. Pre-registration begins Nov. 1st. 843-9601.



### Bethany Library

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

#### HOURS

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



### The Children's Hour Evening Story Time

**Nov 3 | 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 Information Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

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

**Nov 5,12,19 | Thur | 9:30-10:15a**

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

#### Infant-age 4 with parent or guardian

Choose 9:30a or 10:30a session. Playing with your baby or child is not only important for bonding but is also an educational experience for your child. We are providing a special time and place for you to come to the library and spend one-on-one time playing with your child. A different community resource professional will be available each week to answer your parenting questions. This program is intended for infants through age four with their parents or guardians. Pre-register for this program at the Reference Desk. Co-sponsor: OCCHD. Child Guidance Division.



### Healthy Mind and Healthy Body

**Nov 5 | Thur | 7-8p**

#### Teens and Adults

How healing your mind helps heal your body. This lecture explores ways of thinking and the types of choices that add to our peace and wholeness. Refreshments will be served after the program. Co-Sponsor: OKC School of Metaphysics.

### Music of Iraq presented by

**Rahim Alhaj, Oud and**

**Souhail Kaspar, Percussion**

**Nov 10 | Tue | 7-8p**

#### Ages 8 to adult

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### Songs of the Cattle Drive

**Nov 14 | Sat | 2-3p**

#### All ages

Cynthia Wolf will perform this tribute to the West and Oklahoma's past. Refreshments will be served after the program.



### Wii Games

**Nov 20 | Fri | 10-11:30a**

#### Adults

Every third Friday we will be hosting Wii games for adults to enjoy. Coffee & breakfast snacks will be provided.

### Children Reading to Dogs

**Nov 21 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a**

#### Ages 5 and older

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



### Capitol Hill Library

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

#### HOURS

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



### Conversational Spanish II

**Nov 2,9,16 | Mon**

**5:30-7p**

#### Adults

Intermediate Spanish class for Fall 2009. The course is designed for individuals who already have a basic understanding of the language, and want to further increase their Spanish speaking skills. The class will meet for 13 sessions from Monday, September 14th, continuing on Monday evenings until Dec. 7, 2009. Call 634-6308 to register for this program, or sign up at the Reference Desk.



### Conversational Spanish

Nov 4,11,18 | Wed

5:30-6:30p

Adults



Conversational Spanish class for Fall 2009. This course is intended to teach basic Spanish speaking skills (Who, What, When, and Where). The class will meet for 13 sessions beginning Wednesday, September 9th, and will continue on Wednesday evenings until December 9th, 2009. This program requires pre-registration. Please call 634-6308 to register, or to find out more information about the class.

### Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance

Nov 5,12,19 | Thur | 6-7:30p

Adults

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

### Capitol Hill Artists & Writers

Nov 6 | Fri | 3-4p

Ages 11-17



Teens

Join us every Friday as we draw, write, and discuss our talents and share our ideas. Refreshments are included. Call 634-6308.

### Computer Basics

Nov 21 | Sat | 2-3:15p

Adults



This class is designed for adults and seniors who know very little about computers, but who want to learn more. Questions will be answered regarding basic Windows, internet usage, MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and any other computer related topics. Please register at the Reference Desk, or by calling 634-6308.

### Fall Crafts

Nov 21 | Sat | 2-4p

Teens



Teens

It's that time of year to get creative. Join us as we make fall crafts, ornaments for the tree and small gifts to give throughout the season. Supplies provided. Pre-registration required. Call 634-6308 for more information.

### Choctaw Library

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

#### HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5  
Sun: Closed



### GED

Nov 2,4,9,11,16,18,23

Mon & Wed | 9-11:15a

Age 16 & older



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

### Conversational Spanish

Nov 2,9,16,23,30 | Mon

5-6p

Teens and adults



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

### Caregiver Fundamentals Workshop Series

Nov 2,16,30 | Mon | 6-7p

Adults

This series offers reliable and credible information on issues related to providing care for family members. The focus of the educational series is to provide for the caregiver's physical, mental and emotional well being which factor into a caregiver's endurance and ability to be a supporter of ill loved ones. Please pre-register.

Nov 2: The Resilient Caregiver

Nov 16: Learning to Speak Alzheimer's

Nov 30: Legal Resources

### Lapsit Story Time

Nov 3,10,17,24 | 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.



### Story Time

Nov 3,10,17,24 | 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.



### Basic Genealogy

Nov 3 | Tue | 6-7p

Adults

Genealogy Q & A with Richard Jones. A local amateur genealogist will provide an invaluable basic genealogy program for interested persons. Free and open to the public. Pre-registration preferred. Resource material will be provided. Please call 390-8418 to register or for more information.

### T'ai Chi with Chris Francis: Intermediate/Advanced Class

Nov 4,11,18 | Wed | 6:15-7p

Teens and adults

T'ai Chi Ch'üan is a martial arts therapy that promotes health and longevity. With T'ai Chi practice one can achieve better balance and coordination. Pre-registration preferred. Co-sponsor: Choctaw Library Guild and Eastern Oklahoma Tech Center.

### T'ai Chi with Chris Francis: New Beginner's Group

Nov 4,11,18 | Wed | 7-7:45p

Teens and adults

See advanced T'ai Chi description. Please pre-register by calling 390-8418. New meeting time. Co-sponsor: Choctaw Library Guild and Eastern Oklahoma Tech Center.

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

Nov 6 | Fri | 10-11a

Infant-age 4 w/parent

Playing with your baby or child is not only important for bonding but is also an educational experience for your child. We are providing a special time and place for you to come to the library and spend one-on-one time playing with your child. A different community resource professional will be available each week to answer your parenting questions. This program is intended for infants through age four with their parents or guardians. Pre-register for this program at the Reference Desk. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City County Health Department.





**Heartland Voices Fall Concert**  
**Nov 10 | Tue | 6-7p**  
**All Ages**



Traditional music of America will be the focus of this community concert by the Heartland Voices under the direction of Steve Moore. Light refreshments will be served.

**Peanut Butter Sculptures**  
**Nov 12 | Thur | 6-7p**  
**Teens**



November is Peanut Butter Lovers Month! To celebrate that classic lunch box favorite, join us in making peanut butter sculptures. Use special peanut butter dough, cookies and candy to make your own edible masterpiece. All the supplies are provided, just bring your appetite and creativity!

**Family Place: Open Play**  
**Nov 14 | 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**  
**Nov 14 | Sat | 2:30-3:30p**  
**Grades 2-3**

Have a Book Blast with us! Join us for a fun discussion, snack and related craft or game activity. Check with a librarian to find out what book to read. Copies of the book will be available at the Reference Desk. Pre-register at 390-8418 or stop by the desk to sign up.

**Tellabration 2009: A Tellabration of Stories**

**Nov 17 | Tue | 6-7:30p**  
**Ages 8 and older**

Tellabration(TM) is an international event of story concerts held every year around the world. Come listen to stories from local storytellers that are suitable for school age children and adults. Light refreshments will be served. Co-sponsor: Way Word Tellers and Territory Tellers.

**Children Reading to Dogs**  
**Nov 18 | Wed | 4-5p**  
**Children who can read**



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

**Parachute Play**  
**Nov 20 | Fri | 10:30-11a**  
**Ages 3-6 w/parents**



While playing games with a parachute, children will have the opportunity to practice skills such as following directions, socializing with others, using language, using small and large muscles, and remaining in control during very active play. Facilitated by Child Guidance Speech-Language Pathologists. Class size limited to 20. Please call 425-4412 to pre-register. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City County Health Department.

**Ookami Anime Club**  
**Nov 21 | Sat | 2:30-3:30p**  
**Teens**



Share and discuss your favorite Anime and Manga (Japanese drawings and cartoons). Screen new Anime episodes each month! Snacks will be provided so come join the fun! \*Anime may contain material that is considered unsuitable for ages 13 and younger.

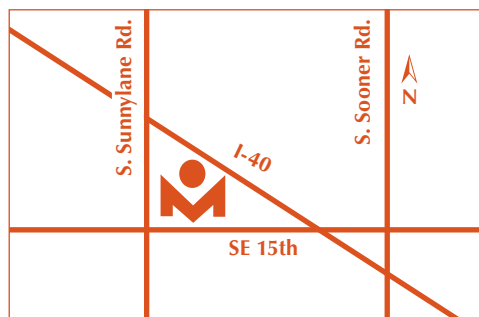
**Del City Library**

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

**HOURS**

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

Sat: 9-5  
 Sun: Closed



**Del City Quilters**  
**Nov 3 | Tue | 6-8p**  
**Adults**

Experienced quilter, Katy Short, will guide new quilters through the basics of quilting. Join us as we journey through the creation of quilting by exploring new blocks, learning how to select fabric, and mastering cutting and construction techniques. Please call to register.

**ADHD Perspectives**  
**Nov 3 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p**  
**Parents and children**



Get informed about ADHD and how to manage the challenges presented with the diagnosis. This will be the second monthly meeting for parents and children with ADHD in a support group setting. Child Therapist,

Amy Huffer, LCSW, from Northcare will speak on the different aspects of ADHD and will be available to answer questions. Children will have the chance to participate in a peer group setting and learn behavior management skills. Call 672-1377 to pre-register or for more information.

**Storytime Aerobics**  
**Nov 5 | Thur | 6:30-7p**  
**Ages 1-5**



Exercise growing bodies and expanding minds! Join Storytime Aerobics where children can have fun moving to some music, make new friends, and hear exciting stories.

**Parachute Play**  
**Nov 9 | Mon | 10:30-11a**  
**Ages 2-5**



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.

**Parent Talk**  
**Nov 9 | Mon | 1-3p**  
**Ages birth-5 years**



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

**Popcorn Storytime**  
**Nov 10 | Tue | 6:30-7:15p**  
**Ages 4-8**

Pop in to the library for an evening of fun with popcorn! Popcorn with your movie is nice, but popcorn with your story is even better. Hear stories about popcorn, and do fun activities too.

**Music of Iraq presented by Rahim Alhaj, Oud and Souhail Kaspar, Percussion**

**Nov 11 | Wed**  
**10:30-11:30a**  
**Ages 8 to adult**



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the Metropolitan Library System, Oklahoma Arts Council, and National Endowment for the Arts.

## PlayTime

**Nov 12 | Thur | 10-11a**  
**Ages 6 months-3 yrs old**

Socialize and interact when you join the fun at PlayTime. Children can come and play with toys while their caregivers learn valuable parenting tips from the OKC/County Health Department's Cheryl Custer. Call 672-1377 to pre-register.



## National Gaming Day

**Nov 14 | Sat | 1-4p**  
**Teens**

On November 14, 2009, libraries across the country will participate in the largest, simultaneous national video gamefest ever held! Gaming in libraries isn't just about video games. We also have big plans for board games for all the ages. Come join us! Please pre-register.



## Basic Diabetes Education

**Nov 17 | Tue | 6-8p**

### All ages

Learn to live with diabetes. Carolyn Seibold from the Midwest City Diabetes Education Center will hold a basic diabetes education course that will give participants a good understanding of the disease including information about how to manage diabetes through diet, exercise, and medication. Please call to register or to find out more!

## Color Me Brown Storytime

**Nov 18 | Wed | 10-10:20a**  
**Ages 1-5**

Learn about one of the best fall colors. Footballs, chocolate, fall leaves, turkeys, all fall things that are brown! Hear stories about things that are brown, and do a fun activity. A great chance to get into the fall spirit!



## New Moon Masquerade Prom

**Nov 19 | Thur | 6-8p**  
**Teens**

It was love at first bite. Come celebrate the premier of New Moon at the Del City Library with all of your vampire and werewolf friends. Dance the night away with a DJ, enter the Twilight costume and trivia contest, drink the finest blood punch, and nibble on some werewolf kibble. Volturi must RSVP. This program is for teens, werewolves, and immortals. For more information please call 672-1377.



## Circus of the Arts

**Nov 21 | Sat | 2-2:45p**  
**Ages 5-12**

Don't miss magician Steve Crawford at the Del City Library for Circus of the Arts. Steve brings the magic and the fun of the Big Top to the library. He will entertain kids with magic, balloon sculptures and juggling. Check it out; you could learn a trick or two yourself!

## Senior Wii Games

**Nov 25 | Wed | 9:30-11a**  
**Seniors**

If you are lucky enough to be 55 years or older come and join the Del City Library and Generations Healthcare for a Wii bowling tournament. It's not just for the kids!

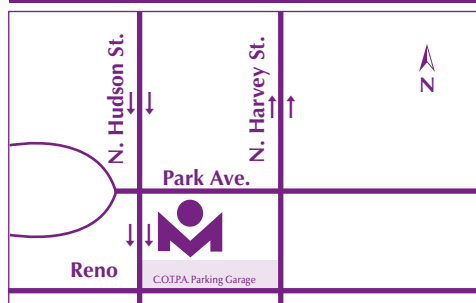
## Downtown Library

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

### HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5  
Sun: 1-6



## Computer Basics

**Nov 3 | Tue | 6-7:30p**  
**Adults**

If, like many, you still need to learn how to use a computer, then this is the class for you. We will cover all the most frequently used tools of Microsoft Word and some basic Internet searching tools. This class is held the first Tuesday of every month in the Route 66 Computer Lab on the first floor of the Downtown Library. Please call 231-8650 to register.



## Wednesday Night at the Movies

**Nov 4,11,18 | Wed | 6-8p**  
**Ages 13 and older**

Join the Downtown Library for Wednesday Night at the Movies! Please call 231-8650 for more information.

Nov 4: *Their Eyes Were Watching God*

Nov 11: *Tuck Everlasting*

Nov 18: *Cheaper by the Dozen (1950)*

## Noon Tunes

**Nov 5,12,19 | 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 November are:

Nov 5: *Son del Barrio, Latin music*

Nov 12: *Marye Cory, classical piano*

Nov 19: *John Fulbright, Folk music*



## I Can't Believe I Shot That! Film Workshop

**Nov 5 | Thur | 5-7p**  
**Ages 11-17**

Create magic. Cause wonder. Explore and understand the art and technique of visual storytelling and make a short film that can be entered into the 3rd Annual "I Can't Believe I Shot That!" teen film festival. Classes are free. Pre-registration is required. For more information call 606-3876.



## PM Play with Me

**Nov 5 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p**  
**Infants to age 5 with adult**

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



## Play with Me Play Group

**Nov 6 | Fri | 10-10:50a**  
**Infants to age 5 with adult**

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



## Music of Iraq presented by Rahim Alhaj, Oud and Souhail Kaspar, Percussion

**Nov 8 | Sun | 2-3:30p**  
**Ages 8 to adult**

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# *The Music Of* **IRAQ**

*Join Rahim AlHaj (oud) and his accompaniest  
Souhail Kaspar (percussion) as they bring  
the music of Baghdad to Oklahoma!*

Sun., Nov. 8, 2pm ~ Downtown Library, 300 Park Avenue

Mon., Nov. 9, 1pm ~ Edmond Library, 10 S. Boulevard

Mon., Nov. 9, 7pm ~ Midwest City Library, 8143 E. Reno

Tue., Nov. 10, 7pm ~ Bethany Library, 3510 N. Mueller

Wed., Nov. 11, 10:30am ~ Del City Library, 4509 SE 15th

Thur., Nov. 12, 1pm ~ Warr Acres Library, 5901 NW 63rd

Thur., Nov. 12, 7pm ~ Belle Isle Library, 5501 N. Villa

Fri., Nov. 13, 2pm ~ The Village Library, 10307 N. Pennsylvania

*All performances are free and open to the public.  
Call 606-3833 for more information.*



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### Music Play with Miss Ginger

Nov 13 | Fri | 10-10:40a

Ages 2-5

Come and enjoy songs, musical games, and stories with Miss Ginger. Instruments will be provided for those who have registered at 231-8650 ext. 4.



### Netting Your Ancestors

Nov 14 | Sat | 2-4p

Adults

You've already compiled basic information on your family. Now it's time to begin digging more deeply into your family history. Join Denise Slattery, Lisa Bradley, and Phyllis Davidson for an introduction to the library system's genealogy databases and some of our favorite websites. Please call 606-3856 to register.



### Preschool Storytime

Nov 20 | Fri | 10-10:45a

Ages 1-5

Join us for fun stories and fingerplays. Call to register at 231-8650 ext. 4.



### Children Reading to Dogs

Nov 21 | 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.



### Edmond Library

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

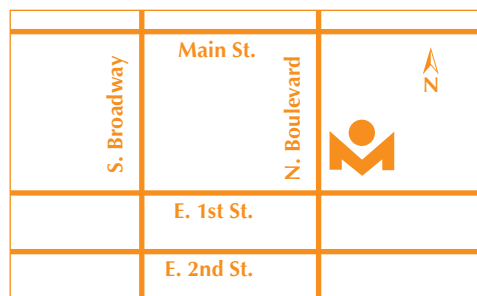
#### HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9

Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5

Sun: 1-6



### Advanced Farsi

Nov 1,8,15,22,29 | Sun

1:30-2:30p

Adults and Teens

Learn the Farsi (Persian) language from an expert. There will be a \$20 per month per student charge. Two separate classes will be provided, one for advanced, one for beginners. Advanced only is for 1:30p to 2:30p, beginners from 2:30p to 3:30p. All written materials are provided by instructor.



### Beginning Farsi

Nov 1,8,5,22,29 | Sun

2:30-3:30p

Adults and Teens

Learn the Farsi (Persian) language from an expert. There will be a \$20. per month per student charge. Two separate classes will be provided, one for advanced, one for beginners. Beginners meet from 2:30 to 3:30. All written materials are provided by the instructor.



### Preschool Story Time

Nov 2,9 | Mon

10-10:30a

Ages 3-5

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



### Intermediate ESL

Nov 2,4,9,11,16,18,23,25,30

Mon & Wed | 1-4p

Adults

For students who can speak some English, but who want to improve their English.



### Chess Club for Kids

Nov 2,16 | Mon | 3:30-5p

Ages 8-13

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

### Lapsit: Playtime and Story Time

Nov 3,10 | Tue | 9:30-10a

and 10:15-10:45a &

11-11:30a

Ages birth - 2 years

Enjoy a special time with your young child at the library. We will have a playtime with the toys in the story time room. This is followed by a circle time that emphasizes group participation, early literacy skills, books and language development.



### GED Test Preparation Class

Nov 3,5,10,12,17,19,24

Tue & Thur | 5:30-8:30p

Adults

Must be at least 16. If between 16 and 17 must 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 OCCC Adult Education at 682-7873. Co-sponsor: OCCC



### Edmond Chess Club for Teens

Nov 3,10,17,24 | Tue

6-7:30p

Teens 13-17

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



Teens

### 55+ Coffee Break

Nov 4,11,18,25 | Wed | 9:30-11a

Seniors

This is a Coffee Break just for you. Snacks, good conversation, Scrabble or games you bring yourself. Find out about new books offered in the library system. Don't miss out on the fun, drop in at the 55+ coffee break.





author confidential

# JORDAN DANE

Award winning suspense & romance novelist Jordan Dane discusses the craft of writing thrillers to aspiring authors as well as avid readers of the genre.

Thursday, November 12  
7-8:30pm | Free  
Edmond Library | 10. S. Blvd

## Traces Bus Museum Exhibit: "Held on the Homefront"

Nov 4 | Wed | 10a-1p

### Adults-Teens

The TRACES Bus-eum 3 is a traveling museum in a bus. The exhibit currently in Bus-eum 3 is titled "Held on the Homefront" Through artifacts, text, and interaction with the museum docent, those who visit the bus will learn about the 380,000 German prisoners of war who were held in America's heartland, and the impact that they had on the communities that surrounded them. The TRACES bus will be parked in the Edmond parking lot. Visits are first come first served. Co-sponsor: TRACES.

## Parachute Play

Nov 4 | 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. Class size is limited to 24, twelve children and twelve adults. Call 425-4412 to register. Facilitated by Pam Collins and Dan Hester. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.



## Computer Instruction with Eddie

Nov 4,11,18 | 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.



## Toileting Triumph

Nov 4 | Wed | 3:30-5p

### Adults with young children

With the development of new language skills, motor skills, attitude and activity level come many challenges. Toileting doesn't have to be one of those challenges. Come discuss ways to make this exciting milestone more fun and rewarding for the whole family. (Children do not need to be present.) Call 425 4412 to register. Facilitated by Robyn Sears. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.



## Beginning ESL

Nov 4,9,11,16,18,23,30

Mon & Wed | 5:30-8:30p

### Adults

For students who have not previously studied English, and who would like to begin at the beginning. Classes provided by Oklahoma City Community College. If you would like to enroll in this class, please call OKC Community College adult education at 682-7873.



## Reading to Dogs

Nov 5,19 | Thur

6:30-7:30p

### Young readers

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.

## Stamp Club

Nov 7,21 | Sat | 10a-Noon

### Grades 4 and higher

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

## Trip Around the World

Nov 7 | Sat | 2-3:30p

### Children in Grades 3-6

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

## Music With Susan

Nov 9 | Mon | 10:40-11:10a

### Ages 2-3

Join with Susan in musical activities designed especially for this age group. Registration begins on the 1st day of the month. Pre-register by calling 341-9282 ext. 4.



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**Edmond Manga and  
Anime Club**

Nov 12 | Thur | 4-5:30p  
Teens



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

**Author Confidential: Jordan Dane**  
Nov 12 | Thur | 7-8:30p  
Adults

Award winning suspense and romance novelist Jordan Dane discusses the craft of writing thrillers to aspiring authors as well as avid readers of the genre. Call 341-9282 for more information.

**Music With Susan**  
Nov 13 | Fri | 10-10:30a  
and 10:40-11:10a  
Ages 2-3



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

**Music With Susan**  
Nov 13 | Fri | 11:15-11:45a  
Ages 4-5



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**Reader's Choice Book Discussion**  
Nov 14 | Sat | 10:30a-Noon  
Adults

The Reader's Choice group will encourage you to read and discuss outstanding contemporary fiction. Visit a meeting and enjoy lively discussion. The book for this month is *Mayflower* by Nathaniel Philbrick.

**Basic Computers for Seniors**  
Nov 14 | Sat | 2-3p  
Seniors



This is a free basic computer class geared toward Seniors who know little about the world of computing. Topics covered will be: Email, the Windows clipboard, quick keys: copy, move & paste, and computer icons. FAQ's will be discussed and participants' questions will be addressed. Call 341-9282, ext 3.

**The Edmond Book Bunch**  
Nov 14 | Sat | 2-3:30p  
Seniors

This group was created for seniors in the Edmond Community who would like to discuss outstanding novels. November's selection is *Serena* by Ron Rash. Copies available to reserve from the library.

**How Healing Your Mind Helps Heal Your Body**  
Nov 14 | Sat | 2-3p  
Adults

There is increased awareness that the state of our mental and emotional well being has a great influence on our physical bodies. This lecture explores ways of thinking and the types of choices that add to our peace and wholeness. We also explore how our bodies can be wonderful teachers. Co-sponsor: School of Metaphysics.

**Family Place: 1-2-3 Play with Me**  
Nov 17, 24 | Tue  
9:30-10:15a and  
10:30-11:15a  
Infant to ages 4 with parent  
or guardian



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

**Sustainable Edmond**  
Nov 17 | Tue | 6:30-8p  
Adults

At this monthly meeting of Sustainable Edmond member discuss how to improve quality of life in our community in ways that make sense economically, environmentally, and socially. Sustainable Edmond promotes environmental stewardship through individual, community, and business understanding of environmental issues. Co-sponsor: Sustainable Oklahoma.

**Parent Talk**  
Nov 18 | Wed | 10:30-4p  
Adults with young children



Parent Talk 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 need to be present.) Call 425 4412 to register. Facilitated by Robyn Sears. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

**Metropolitan Library Commission  
of Oklahoma County**  
Nov 19 | Thur | 3:30-5p



Edmond Library  
10 S. Boulevard  
Edmond, OK 73034  
405.672.1377  
The public is welcome to attend.

**Readers' Theater: Acting Without  
Memorizing**  
Nov 19 | Thur | 3:45-4:45p  
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 just the thing for you! Join us and try out this fun and easy way to develop your acting talents. Please register by calling 341-9282, x 4 or stop by the Children's Desk at the library.

**Netting Your Ancestors**  
Nov 21 | Sat | 2-4p  
Adults



You've already compiled basic information on your family. Now it's time to begin digging more deeply into your family history. Join Librarian Phyllis Davidson for an introduction to the library system's genealogy databases and some of her favorite websites. This program is free. For more information call 341-9282.



## Harrah Library

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

### HOURS

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



## Tail Waggin Tutors

**Nov 14 | 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.

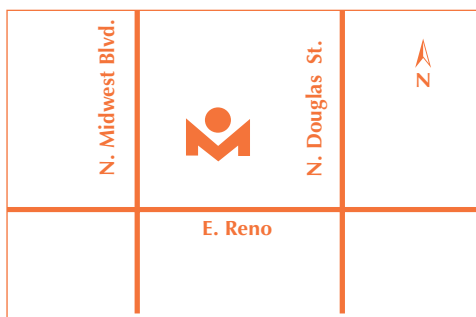


## Midwest City Library

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

### HOURS

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



## Soldier Creek Quilters Annual Quilt Exhibit

**Nov 1-30 | Library Hours**  
**All ages**

The Midwest City Library is pleased to host the annual exhibit of handmade quilts made by members of the Soldier Creek Quilter's Group. The Group meets weekly at the Library and the exhibit highlights a wide range of hand quilting techniques--including Seminole patchwork in recognition of Native American History month. The exhibit will be in the Lobby Gallery throughout November and is free and open to the public.

## Cherokee Nation: A Portrait of a People

**Nov 1-30 | Library Hours**

### All ages

In honor of Native American History month, the Midwest City Library is pleased to host a traveling exhibit from the Oklahoma History Center featuring portraits of individuals, couples, and families by noted Oklahoma photographer and artist David Fitzgerald. The strikingly clear and visually rich photographs allow the viewer insight into elements in the broad spectrum of Cherokee life in Oklahoma today. The exhibit is free and open to the public all library hours. Co-sponsor: Friends of the Library.

## Native American Celebration

**Nov 1 | Sun | 2-4p**  
**All Ages**

Join us to celebrate Native American culture through story, song, dance, and art. Part of Midwest City Library's month-long recognition of Native American history, this celebration will feature local artists and will complement other special library exhibits--a photo exhibit, Cherokee Nation: A Portrait of a People, and the annual Soldier Creek quilt exhibit, which includes Seminole patchwork designs. This event is free and open to the public. Co-sponsor: Friends of the Library.



## Community Quilting Class with the Soldier Creek Quilting Group

**Nov 2,9,16,23,30 | 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

**Nov 2 | Mon | 4-5p**  
**Adults**

Need to revise or create a resume? The Midwest City Library, in partnership with Rose State College Job Placement and Career Services, offers this class. To attend please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

## Whose Line Is It Anyway?

**Nov 2,9,16,23,30 | Mon | 5:30-7p**  
**Adults**

Like to improv? Come to the Midwest City Library every Monday from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. No experience necessary, just a willingness to have fun.



## Knit Wit Program

**Nov 3,10,17,24 | Tue | 10a-Noon**

### All Ages

Crocheting and Knitting is a fun 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 provided by the library. To attend please register at 732-4828 or register at the Information Desk.

## Lapsit Play and Storytime

**Nov 3,10,17 | Tue**  
**10-10:30a and 11-11:30a**  
**Ages birth-3 years**

Join us for open play time followed by songs, stories, and fun! Registration required. Sign up at the Information Desk or by calling 732-4828.



## Kid's Only Video Game Party

**Nov 3 | Tue | 4-5p**  
**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.

## Mid-Del Toastmasters

**Nov 3,10,17,24 | 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.

## Parachute Play

**Nov 4 | Wed | 10:30-11a**  
**Ages 3-6 with parents**

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



## Adult Movie Night

**Nov 4 | Wed | 5-7p**  
**Adults**

James Stewart has a wonderful life: a loving wife, several children, and his thriving business, (a family business). However, on Christmas Eve, he encounters severe business difficulties and his life continues to take a turn for the worst. Please come to the Midwest City Library and enjoy this classic tale of life.

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

## Lunch & Learn with Allegiance Credit Union

**Nov 5 | Thur | 12:30-1:30p**

**Adults**

Now more than ever, consumers should know and understand credit scores. Come to the Midwest City Library and learn the significance of credit scores, the reporting agencies that maintain your credit information and, how credit scores impact your everyday life. This program is free and lunch will be served. To attend please contact the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Co-sponsor: Allegiance Credit Union.

## Book Bug Club

**Nov 5 | Thur | 4-5p**

**Grades 1-3**

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

## German for Beginners

**Nov 5,12,19 | Thur | 6-7p**

**Adults**

Interested in learning German? Every Thursday from 6:00-7:00 p.m. the Midwest City Library will offer free German classes. If interested, please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.



## Reptiles and Amphibians!

**Nov 5 | 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! The OCHS promotes the scientific study and conservation of herps, emphasizing regional herpetology. Bring your own herp—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.

## Saturday Morning Cartoons

**Nov 7 | Sat | 10a-Noon**

**All ages**

Join us for popcorn and an animated film about four animals that escape from New York's Central Park Zoo and travel to Africa!



## An Introduction to Keeping Snakes as Pets

**Nov 7 | Sat | 10a-Noon**

**Adults**

Parents...are your kids interested in snakes as pets but you're not comfortable with the idea? If yes, please attend this wonderful class taught by Larry Daniel, President of the Oklahoma City Herpetological Society. Registration is required at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Co-Sponsor: Oklahoma City Herpetological Society.

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## Kids Reading to Dogs

**Nov 10 | Tue | 7-7:30p**

**Children who can read**

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



## Young Adult Video Games

**Nov 12 | Thur | 3:30-5p**

**Teens**

Wii, DDR, Game Cube and more. All teens welcome. Each game is rated T for teens.



## Play Day

**Nov 12 | Thur | 4-5p**

**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.

## Boosting Baby's Brainpower

**Nov 12 | Thur | 6-7:30p**

**Parents/Caregivers of infants and toddlers**

Learn about effective ways you can influence your child's thinking skills. Information regarding recent brain development research will be shared. Facilitated by Sarita Naegeli. Co-Sponsor: OCCHD.



## Hunters' Safety Education Safety Course

**Nov 14 | Sat | 9a-2p**

**Ages 10 and 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. You must 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 [www.wildlifedepartment.com/hunted2.htm](http://www.wildlifedepartment.com/hunted2.htm). Ages 12 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Registration required. To register, call 732-4828. Co-Sponsor: Oklahoma Wildlife Department.

## Midwest City Reader's Society

**Nov 17 | 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

**Nov 17 | 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.



## Talk It Up! Book Club

**Nov 19 | Thur | 4-5p**

**Grades 4-6**

Join us in the Talk It Up! Book Club, where each month we will read a different book from the 2010 Children's Sequoyah Masterlist. There will be snacks, games and crafts! We will be discussing *Animals in the House: A History of Pets and People* by Sheila Keenan. You can pick up a copy of the book at the Information Desk. Registration is required. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.



### AAA Motor Vehicle Crash Prevention Course

**Nov 21 | 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.



### Lego Mindstorm Robotics

**Nov 23 | Mon | 4-6:30p**

#### Teens 10-16

Lego Mindstorm Robotics is back at the Midwest City Library! Create the smartest, strongest and most advanced LEGO robot ever. Space is limited. Please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Co-Sponsor: OSU-OKC Extension.

Teens

### Toddler Aerobics

**Nov 24 | Tue**

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

#### 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. Registration is required and begins one week before the scheduled program. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.



### Chess Club

**Nov 28 | Sat | 11:30a-1p**

#### All ages

Interested in the game of chess or want to boost your skills in one of the oldest mind games? Come to the Midwest City Library at 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please register at the information desk or call 405-732-4828.

### Healing Your Mind Helps Heal Your Body

**Nov 28 | Sat | 2-3p**

#### Adults

The OKC School of Metaphysics will discuss the power of healing. The topic for November, "Healing Your Mind Helps Heal Your Body" will address the growing interest of mind-over-body healing. Participants will learn how this process has great influences on our physical bodies. This lecture is free. To attend please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

### Yugioh Card Tournament

**Nov 28 | Sat | 2-4:30p**

#### All ages

No registration required....just come and have fun!

### 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

**Nov 4,11,18 | Wed**

**1:30-2:30p**

#### Ages 1-5

Come join Ms Krystal for "Storytime" every Wednesday from 1:30-2:30pm. There will be stories, songs, games, crafts and "FUN". For more information call the library at 769-9452.



### Children Reading to Dogs

**Nov 12,19 | Thur**

**3:30-4:30p**

#### Ages 4 and older

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



### Choctaw Women's Aglow

**Nov 14 | Sat | 9:40a-Noon**

#### Adults

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

### Ralph Ellison Library

2000 N.E. 23rd, OKC

(405) 424-1437

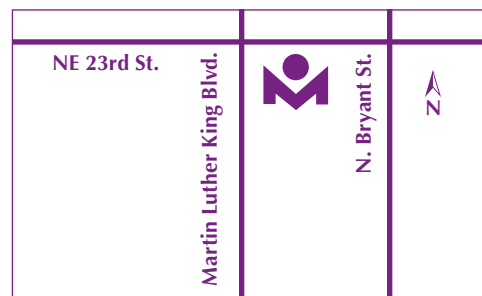
#### HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-8

Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5

Sun: Closed



### Teen Advisory Board

**Nov 4 | Wed | 4-5p**

#### Teens

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



Teens

### Anime/Manga/Gaming Club

**Nov 12 | Thur | 3-4:30p**

#### Teens

Do you like to watch anime, play video games or talk about manga? Come to the Anime/Manga/Gaming Club for all that plus food and role playing games. Call (405) 424-1437 for more info.



Teens

### New Moon Release Party

**Nov 19 | Thur | 5-7p**

#### Teens

Come and celebrate the release of New Moon (the second movie in the Twilight series by Stephenie Meyer) at the library! We'll have Twilight-themed food, giveaways, trivia and much more. Questions? Call us at 424-1437.



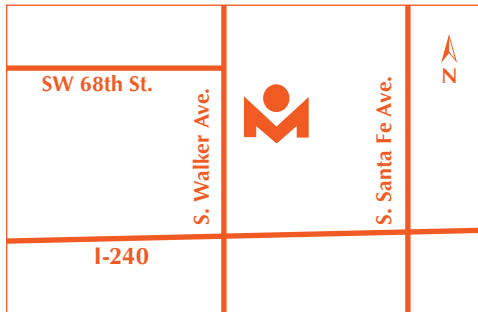
Teens

### Southern Oaks Library

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

#### HOURS

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



### Preschool Storytime

Nov 2,9,16,23,30 | Tue  
10:30-11:10a

Children ages 2-6 with  
parent/caregiver

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



### GED

Nov 2,4,9,11,16,18,30  
Mon & Wed | 3-6p

Age 16 & older

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



### Homework Help

Nov 3,10,17,24 | Tue | 4-6p  
Grades 1-5

Do you know someone who needs help with a last minute assignment? Or maybe they just need help bringing up their reading scores? High school and college students will be available to answer questions and read with young people. Pre-registration required. Free.

### Dashiell Hammett Movie Matinee

Nov 5 | Thur | 11:30a-2p  
All Ages

Join Southern Oaks Library for a classic detective film from one of the genre's masters, Dashiell Hammett. Matthew Price, film writer from the Oklahoman, will introduce the film. Call 631-4468 for more information. Free. Co-Sponsor: Speeding Bullet Comics.



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

Nov 5,12 | Thur  
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Infant to age 4 w/parent

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### Score Small Business Counseling

Nov 6,22 | 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).

### "To Be Announced" Improv Group

Nov 9 | Mon | 7-8p  
Ages 10 & older

The "To Be Announced" teen improv group will perform their special brand of hi jinx, November 9th at 7:00PM. "We still haven't recovered from last year's performance," says young adult librarian John Hilbert, "I can't wait to see what they'll do this year, I'm still a little worried." Find out what he's worried about by calling 631-4468 to pre-register or just show up. Don't miss the excitement! Co-sponsor: To Be Announced Productions.



Teens

### Southern Oaks Book Club

Nov 10 | 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.

### Anime Club

Nov 11 | Wed | 6:30-8:30p  
Ages 14 & older

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



Teens

### Where the Wild Things Are Party

Nov 15 | Sun | 3-4p  
Families and kids of all ages

"Let the Wild Rumpus begin!" Join us for a fun time of celebrating the beloved children's book, *Where the Wild Things Are*. We will have crafts, snacks, and announce the winners of our "Create Your Own Wild Thing" Contest. Pre-registration is required. Please sign up at the Information Desk or by calling 631-4468.



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For the most up-to-date information please go to [www.metrolibrary.org](http://www.metrolibrary.org)



## Kids Create

Nov 19 | Thur | 6:30-7:45p

Kids ages 8-12

Unleash your creativity! Come join us for some arts & crafts and writing activities for kids. We'll have fun creating new things. Feel free to bring a craft project you've done, or something you've written to share with us. Sign up at the Information Desk or by calling 631-4468.

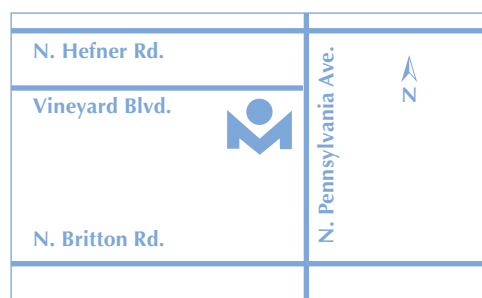
## The Village Library

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

### HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5  
Sun: Closed



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Children who can read

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## Music with Susan

Nov 5,12,19 | Thur

10-10:30a

Ages 2-6 with parent

Join Susan for musical fun and activities. Pre-registration is required due to limited class size. Please call 755-0710 or stop by the Information Desk.



## Apple Pie Making Time

Nov 7 | Sat | 10-11:30a

Ages 6-12

Join us for our annual apple pie making class. Children will make a delicious apple pie to take home and bake. This class fills up quickly, and pre-registration is required. Call 755-0710 or stop by the Information Desk.

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## Book Discussion Group: The Big Read

Nov 16 | 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 3pm to discuss our latest pick. This month's title can be picked up at the Village Information Desk.

## Parent Talk

Nov 17 | Tue | 1-4p

For parents/caregivers of young children

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## Anime Club

Nov 19 | Thur | 4-5p

Teens

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



## Introduction to Mail Merge

Nov 19 | Thur | 6:30-8p

Adults

Free class for adults! Learn how to create a mailing list in Microsoft Excel and use it with mail merge in Microsoft Word to create personalized form letters, mailing labels and envelopes. Great for sending Christmas cards! Come in or call to sign up. Village Library (405) 755-0710.



## Knitty Committee

Nov 28 | Sat | 10-11a

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!

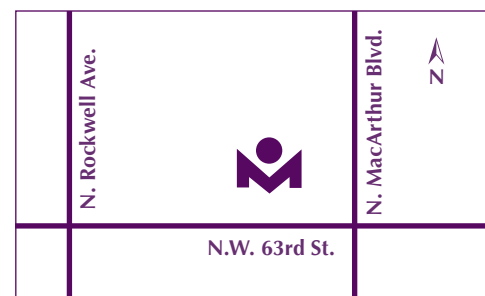
## Warr Acres Library

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

### HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5  
Sun: Closed



## ESL

Nov 2,4,9,11,16,18,23

Mon & Wed | 5:30-8p

Adults

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



## Storytime for Preschoolers

Nov 3,17 | Tue

10:30-11:15a

Ages 2 1/2 to 5 w/parent

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



## Mealtime Hassles Workshop

Nov 3 | Tue | 3:30-5p

Adults

Facilitated by Robyn Sears and Deborah Shapiro. Sign up is required by calling Child Guidance at 425-4412. No daycare is provided.



### Parent Talk

**Nov 6 | Fri | 9a-Noon  
Adults**



Free 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 these sessions. Please call 425-4412, Child Guidance, to schedule your appointment with Robyn Sears M.S. Child Development Specialist and Deborah Shapiro M.S. CCC-SLP Speech-Language Pathologist.

### Warr Acres Book Club

**Nov 9 | Mon | 11a-Noon  
Adults**

The Warr Acres Library Book Club meets the second Monday of each month. This month we will discuss the inspirational fiction book *The Shack* by William P. Young.

### Interpreting Dreams for Self Discovery

**Nov 10 | Tue | 7-8p  
Adults**

An interactive hour designed to give the participant a basic understanding of what dreams are, where they come from, and what they tell us about ourselves. The workshop will begin with a brief lecture given by a dream expert from the School of Metaphysics and will be followed by examples of how to interpret dreams using dreams submitted by the participants. So bring your dream journals and curious minds for an hour of exploring the mysteries of the Subconscious Mind.

### Playtime for Babies and Tots

**Nov 11,18 | Wed  
9:15-10a and 10:30-11:15a  
8 to 30 months old**



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.

### Music of Iraq presented by Rahim AlHaj, Oud and Souhail Kaspar, Percussion

**Nov 12 | Thur | 1-2p  
Ages 8 to adult**



The Music of Iraq will be presented by virtuoso oud musician and composer Rahim AlHaj. A political refugee, Rahim's music delicately combines traditional Iraqi maqams with contemporary styling and influence. Grammy-nominated Souhail Kaspar, master Percussionist known for his rhythmic patterns of Arabic music, will accompany Rahim. Co-sponsor: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System, Oklahoma Arts Council, and National Endowment for the Arts.

### Children Reading to Dogs

**Nov 12 | Thur  
6:30-7:30p**

**Ages 6 and older**



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

### Warr Acres Coffee Break

**Nov 16 | 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.

### Game Night

**Nov 19 | Thur | 6:30-8p  
Ages 12-18**



**Teens**

Rock with us! Super Smash Brothers and Wii too! Please call to register.

### Caldecott ART Club for Children

**Nov 21 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a  
Age 6 and older**

After reading the story, *The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses*, by Paul Goble, children will create their works of art. Please call to re-register and join us every month for a fun, art time.

### Pajama Storytime for Preschoolers

**Nov 24 | Tue  
6:30-7:30p**

**Ages 2 1/2 to 5 years**

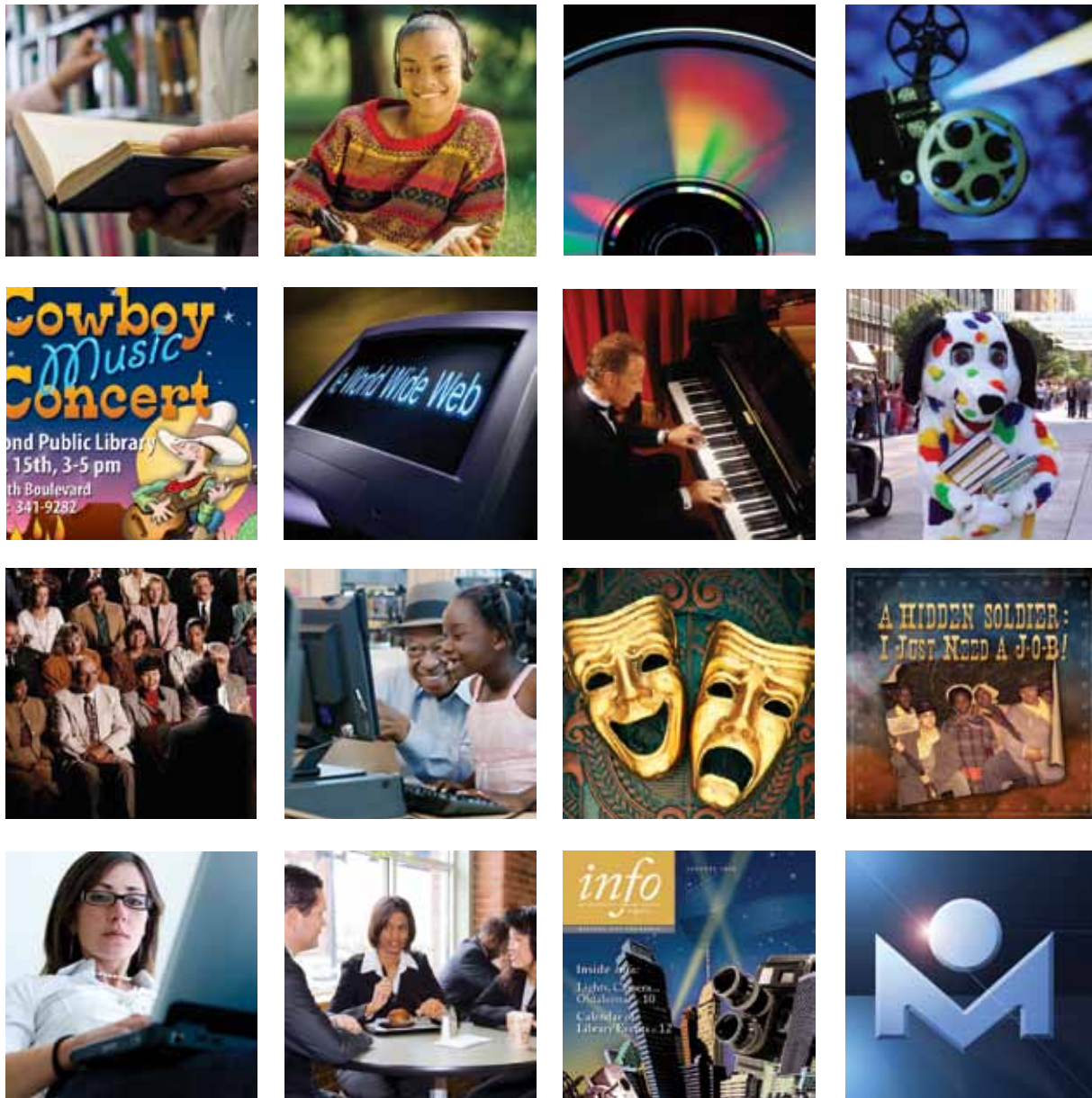


Soup-er stories for pre-school children and their parents with Miss Alma and her puppets. Children may come dressed in their pajamas. Everyone will enjoy snacks. Please call to pre-register. (Photos of October's Dress-Up Party will be available.)



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# Netting Your Ancestors

**An introduction to the library's genealogy databases and some helpful websites.**

Saturday, Nov. 14th | 2-4pm | Downtown Library | 300 Park Avenue

Saturday, Nov. 21st | 2-4pm | Edmond Library | 10 S. Boulevard



*The program is free and open to the public. Questions? Call 606-3879.*



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2009 CALENDAR



Metropolitan  
LIBRARY SYSTEM

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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			Libraries Close at 6 p.m	Libraries Closed Thanksgiving	Libraries Closed	
29	30					

## Off the Beaten Path

## ... Discovering New Literary Treasures

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

Mossiker, Frances. *Pocahontas: The Life and the Legend*.  
975.501/P739m/BIOGRAPHY

This readable and accurate biography de-Disneyfies one of the most remarkable women in American history. Who knows how many colonists she saved by befriending them? Married to Englishman John Rolfe, she lived in England for many years. The legends of Indian Princesses began with her.

Slaughter, Thomas P. (Thomas Paul). *Exploring Lewis and Clark: Reflections on Men and Wilderness*.  
917.8042/SL6317e

We don't know much about the other great Native American woman who is such a popular part of western history, but this book about the Lewis and Clark expedition fills in much of the mystery of Sacagawea. Their Shoshone guide is an important element in the history of Manifest Destiny.



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## MLS LIBRARIES

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

## MLS EXTENSION LIBRARIES\*

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

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