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When November rolls around we head into the most Holiday-ish time of year. Lots of people like to decorate, which can mean a hefty investment in ornaments and the other festive paraphernalia of the season. But if you start on some craft projects now, you can make your own decorations and not only save a small fortune but also add the personal touch to what you create for your home and the homes of family and friends.

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Go to our library catalog at www.metrolibrary.org for dozens of books and videos with ideas for homemade holiday decorations—not to mention specialty cookbooks with hundreds of absolutely scrumdiddlyumptious recipes.

You can use your library card to reserve the material you want to take a look at, and have it sent to your neighborhood library for checkout.

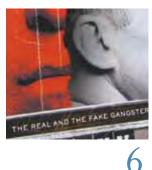
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A Church Inside and Out by Larry Johnson

November is always a special month for the members of First Presbyterian Church because it's their anniversary month. But November 1964 was doubly special not only because it was the congregation's 75th anniversary in the city, it was also the dedication of their brand new sanctuary. Now forty-six years later, the Gothic structure is a landmark for many Oklahoma Cityans at NW 25th and Western.





irst Presbyterian wasn't always located there. In fact, six days after the land run in April 1889, Presbyterian Reverend Charles C. Hembree climbed a rickety wooden platform near the only good water well in town (now Main and Broadway) and announced he intended to preach a sermon – the first ever



in Oklahoma City. Two buglers from the company of soldiers camped nearby circulated through the maze of tents

that formed the city and rounded up a group of congregants, then Hembree let forth a powerful sermon on "Christian warfare" followed by a hymn or two, all of which caused Boomer leader Captain William Couch to declare, "Well, parson, you certainly have given our new city a fine start."

Things improved in the toddling town to the point that a formal Presbyterian congregation of 36 was established in November and before long a wood frame church was constructed at Main and Harvey, then a nice brick one at Sixth and Robinson, and finally a fine stone edifice on Church Row at Ninth and Robinson in 1910. They eventually outgrew that building by the 1950s when the church had grown to 2,500 members and church leaders plotted a map of their members' residences, finally deciding that the land where the old Jefferson School was located would be the perfect location for a new church situated as it was in the center of the congregational map. The land deal there at NW 23rd and Western was nearly consummated, but a church member offered free land at NW 25th, so the land went to Citizens Bank instead, who planned on building an ambitious new bank on the site.

The mid-1950s saw a lot of older congregations in the city building new cathedrals, most of them, like St. Luke's Methodist and First Christian, employed visionary designs and revolutionary materials, but First Presbyterian found their inspiration by looking back – way back – into the Middle Ages. Their Tennessee limestone chapel and classrooms (seen under construction here) were built to resemble a medieval Christian structure and the sanctuary, finally completed in 1964, features a classic spire and vaulted ceilings. Having Fairlawn Cemetery just to the north

completes the Old World look and feel of a European church.

Though he would likely never criticize another church, you have to wonder if



Reverend C. Ralston Smith wasn't thinking of some of his neighbors when he was asked about the medieval design of his church. Smith said, "You can tell it's a church from the outside...there's no question about that."

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

Reviews & Recommendations



Corduroy Mansions by Alexander McCall Smith

Readers of all things McCall Smith will be delighted with this droll collection of stories first serialized in 2009 in the London Daily Telegraph. In the same vein as his 44 Scotland Street series, Smith follows the interconnecting lives of the inhabitants of Cordurov Mansions but this time in London. Some of the characters are more likeable than others. William French is a congenial wine merchant with a 24-year old son who doesn't want to leave home. French hopes that his son gets the hint and leaves in case he might wish to pursue a romantic life. Failing that, French senior brings a dog into the home which he hopes will drive his son out as Eddy doesn't like dogs. Eddy, on the other hand, thinks it is more ecologically friendly to share a flat and plans to stay until his father snuffs it, dog or no dog! There are many

reviewed by Christine Bassett

other characters that are connected with Corduroy Mansions, including the odious Oedipus Snark M.P. (Member of Parliament) and four girls who share an apartment.

Readers who have never tried reading the writings of McCall Smith before will certainly enjoy the wry humor in Corduroy Mansions as all the characters interconnect. The most memorable character of all, however, is definitely the dog, Freddy De La Hay!

This title also available on spoken work compact discs and as an Adobe ePub eBook.

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



reviewed by Doug Bentin



Lucky Luciano: The Real and the Fake Gangster by Tim Newark

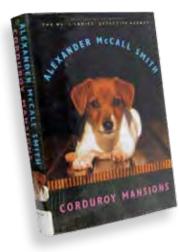
In his new biography of Mafia star Lucky Luciano, author Tim Newark doesn't mention how important it is even for criminals to have a name, or more likely a nickname, that the press can latch on to. Do you really think that "Harold the Stabber" would still be fascinating us after 120 years? Bet not.

You do get a sense from Newark that Luciano's posthumous reputation needed some kind of boost. He got it both from his famous nickname. The nicely alliterative name helped--his birth name was Salvatore Lucania—but the biggest boost came from the U.S. Government which accepted the mob's offer of help during World War II to eliminate sabotage along America's east coast docks. Luciano, who was exiled to Sicily during the war, said that he could serve as middleman between the Allies and the locals to make the invasion of Italy less explosive. His success has been the major factor in his continuing notoriety.

But Newark claims that he had little if anything to do with the Allies in Sicily and Italy. In fact, after he got run out of Cuba in 1947, he lived for the next 17 years in Sicily on the charity of his pals. He was never the kingpin of the international narcotics trade, as he has been credited. Authorities just claimed he was because they needed a straw man to dangle in front of the public.

It's interesting stuff and a new take on Mafia history.

Doug Bentin also reviews movies for The Oklahoma Gazette.





The Cookbook Collecter: a novel by Allegra Goodman

"In the end, nothing lasts. Even wisdom will not last—this is what wise Solomon said. What, then, has lasting value? Where should we turn for the eternal? ... this is why love is sweeter than wine, finer than gold, rarer than the rarest spices."

I'm not much of a foodie, so based on the title, this isn't a book I'd ordinarily pick up. One of the librarians I work with recommended Allegra Goodman's newest novel, however, and trusting her good judgment, I checked it out. I'm glad I did.

The title refers to the profession of one of the many richly developed characters, a book collector. But the main characters are sisters: Emily and Jessamine (Jess). They live completely different lives and seem to be polar opposites of the other. One is pragmatic, analytical and ambitious; the other studies philosophy, saves trees, and works part time reviewed by Jana Hausburg

in an antiquarian bookstore. Emotionally, they are opposites as well. Emily is in love with equally ambitious Jonathan, but neither can find the time to make a commitment. Jess is involved with idealistic Leon, yet is drawn to the antisocial (and wealthy) George.

The book has been hailed as "a modern-day Jane Austen" but what really drew me in was the author's obvious love of literature and books ... those wonderful first editions that George collects and Jess catalogs. If you're a foodie, you'll love the descriptive, delicious (and sometimes weird) recipes dating back to the 1600s. And if you like a good love story, you'll enjoy the romance of it all.

This title also available in large print.

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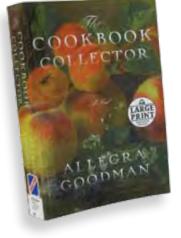
Cassette From My Ex: Stories and Soundtracks of Lost Loves edited by Jason Bitner

"When you made a tape for someone your intentions were clear: I'm into you...No matter how the relationship ended, the mixtape lasts as a physical reminder of what took place between those two people."

Looking for something to read that doesn't take a lot of concentration or effort? This is the book for you. It's fun – pure and simple. Pick it up, rifle through it at random, and enjoy the trip down memory lane.

It dates me, I know. Cassette tapes are dead ... I know that too. Now that iPods and other similar devices are so popular, burning a CD for a crush is probably on the wane as well. But for those of us who still possess a collection of cassettes from long ago, is there anything more satisfying? The whir of the ribbon, the click of the pause button, the handwritten title scrawled into the space at the top of the plastic shell – each is a reminder of the time and effort a lover took to express his or her feelings by choosing the perfect mix of songs and artists.

Jason Bitner gathers a collection of stories from a variety of musicians, artists and writers into one truly entertaining read. Doomed love, heartbreak, nostalgia – you're sure to find an essay that resonates with you, and a list of songs that you'll absolutely want to hear again.



Reviews & Recommendations



reviewed by Kim Terry



Julian and Brooke Alter live a nice, yet struggling life in New York City. Brooke works two jobs to support her musician husband, while hoping for him to make it big. When he is asked to play on *The Tonight Show*, their lives are shaken, not stirred. With Julian off gallivanting with celebrities, Brooke has to struggle to hold on to her life and her career. She finds out more about their "life" through the weekly gossip magazines and tabloid trash, and dares to wonder how much of it is true.

With the paparazzi stalking them, Brooke goes through tremendous efforts to maintain a normal life. She rarely sees her husband, and wonders which of her friends is leaking details of their life to the press. When her husband is pictured in a double-page spread in the latest gossip rag (with someone else), Brooke realizes that this might just be the end. Or is it?

This latest title by the queen of chick lit (Weisberger is the author of *The Devil Wears Prada*), *Last Night at Chateau Marmont* whirls the reader from New York and The Hamptons to LA and Beverly Hills. Enjoy the trip because you'll be hooked after page two.

This title is also available as a compact disc sound recording.

The perpetually accident-prone Kim Terry is the Director of Marketing and communications at MLS. She knows the only good thing about a broken leg is it gives her more time to read.



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Faner TIANCE Banker Ban **Ooh La La! It's Beauty Day** by Jane O'Connor and Robin Preiss Glasser

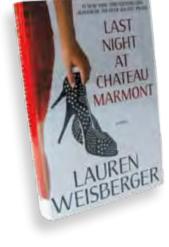
This Fancy Nancy tale is tout sweet as Nancy gives her mother a make-over for her birthday. Set in her own backyard, Nancy provides her mom with an afternoon of pampering and entertainment. After a lotiony hand massage, followed by a manicure and a pedicure, it is time to fix Mom's hair but, oh mon cher, what a mistake when Mom's hair won't behave! Luckily, Nancy has an expert she can call to save Mom's coiffure for her big night out.

Author, Jane O'Connor writes a Fancy Nancy story to surpass all the rest--- and what a wonderful way to spend the day for a mother and daughter! With handy beauty tips like, "Don't have too much polish on your brush or it will drip, so wipe your brush against the lip of the bottle," and the recipe for a soothing sea salt foot soak and Fantastique Face Mask, Ooh La La! offers many opportunities to bond with your little princess for countless hours, or until you both collapse with fatigue and need a nap.

A big "merci beaucoup" goes to illustrator Robin Preiss Glasser for the delightful images of Nancy and the fancy world through her eyes. Each page is awash with color and all-things-little-girls-love; ribbons and bows, fuzzy slippers, hoola hoops and make-up. Even Nancy's dolly and doggie get to wear lip stick (or is that lip stique?).

Don't wait; it's time for your fantastique Fall fashion freshen up with Fancy Nancy. Check out this New York Times recommended favorite.

Kelley Riha is Community Information Coordinator in the MLS Outreach Dept. She is a long-time performer for children and reviews books written for the youngest readers.





Wellness Works!

T he Metropolitan Library System has begun a new campaign for its staff. "Wellness Works," said MLS Employee Development Coordinator Stacy Schrank, "is primarily a program of ways to curb preventable illness through healthy lifestyle choices."

Businesses and not-for-profit institutions like libraries have been promoting wellness campaigns for years, even if all they were composed of were education about quitting smoking and losing weight, but this more modern approach takes into account a person's entire

lifestyle and not only gives good advice but then supports that advice with practical hints about how to achieve the desired changes.

For instance, encouragement is given to cut out those burgers for lunch and then realistic replacements are suggested. Not

many people can make the jump from "bad for you" to "great for you" overnight. Everyone knows there has to be middle ground between a cheeseburger and a cup of cottage cheese. But not only does Wellness Works find several plots of middle ground, it also discusses the variable costs of good food and how to save on those costs.

The program meets each person where he or she already is and then encourages an immediate beginning to positive changes. Take it easy, and everyday add a little more to what you did the day before.

Do you want to get started on a program like this but don't know how? Go to our library of databases, located on our website, **www.metrolibrary.org**. Take a look at our databases relating to health and start browsing around in Consumer Health Complete. There's a section made up of fact sheets and pamphlets, a good place to find introductory information on a variety of health-related topics. There you'll find data on quitting smoking, and the Complete Guide to Prescription &

> Nonprescription Drugs. You can search by topics—Men's Health, Women's Health, Children's Health, Food, Nutrition and Exercise, and many more. You can

> get the information in Spanish, and several other languages as well.

And don't forget the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at **www.cdc.gov**. That sounds like serious stuff, and it is, but there are also sections written for people who don't know much about medical topics and want to learn.

The Metropolitan Library System takes seriously the concept of keeping health insurance costs under control by encouraging staff to take advantage of Wellness Works, but a healthy lifestyle is an advantage to everyone.



L'chayim! Celebrate Our World 2010

Every fall, the Metropolitan Library System's Our World music series introduces you to possibly unknown but always fascinating musical treats. We've taken you from the Andes to the Himalayas and from the Bayous of Louisiana to the deserts of Iraq. This year no is no different. ur guests this year are the mother and daughter team of Elaine and Susan Hoffman Watts, two of the world's finest klezmer musicians. Percussionist Elaine Hoffman Watts is a winner of the prestigious National Endowment for the Arts Heritage Fellowship Award. Daughter Susan Watts, called by Philadelphia's City Paper, a "klezmer trumpet star" and "something really special," is a trumpeter, vocalist and composer. Their music is both traditional and original.

But let's back up a minute. Just what is klezmer music?

It's a style of Jewish folk music originated in Eastern Europe and then brought to America in the wave of European immigration between 1880 and the 1920s. The modern form of the genre developed in the U.S. and is fundamentally for dancing and virtuoso instrumentals. Modern composers as diverse as Gustav Mahler, George Gershwin, Aaron Copland and Leonard Bernstein were influenced by klezmer melodies.

Remember the musical play Fiddler on the Roof? That's klezmer.

Elaine Hoffman Watts has been a professional musical performer for nearly 60 years, from her days with the New Orleans Symphony in the early 1950s. Susan began playing with her when she was 11 and became a professional at 14.

"From the fifth grade through high school I toured England, Scotland and Australia with youth orchestras," Susan recalled. "I regularly entered musical competitions, which I would invariably lose to the piano players. It all ended up with me attending the St. Louis Conservatory of Music."

There have been musicians in the Hoffman and Watts families going back to the time when Noah stepped onto dry land. Susan refers to the clan as "a family of meshuggah [crazy] musicians."

Of this unusual duo Craig Harwood, Dean of Davenport College, Yale University, said, "Susan and Elaine are two of the most outstanding musicians I know. What more can I say than I hired them to play my own wedding?! Beyond being dedicated to their art, they are experts in a rarified musical style that many people love, but few understand."

Elaine and Susan will play nine concerts at various MLS sites around Oklahoma County as the Our World performers of 2010 between Sunday, November 7 and Friday, November 12. See the Our World ad in this issue of *info* for a complete schedule. The performances are free and for the whole family.

You'd have to be meshuggah to miss it.



The Dunbar Library

Mention of The Dunbar Library may have contemporary library users scratching their heads. No, it's not hiding away in some uninhabited part of town. In fact, during its heyday, Dunbar was one of the busiest library locations in the city.

Dunbar was a branch of the Carnegie Library that opened on December 12, 1921, on the second floor of the Slaughter Building. Named for its owner, Dr. Wyatt H. Slaughter, the building was situated on the northwest corner of NE 2nd and Stiles. On the first floor was a drug store with soda fountain. Along with the library on the second floor were professional offices, including space for lawyers, dentists, and Dr. Slaughter himself. The top floor was "Slaughter's Hall," which sounds like something from a horror movie but was in fact a small-scale convention center, with lots of room for dancing to the music of the famous Deep Deuce musicians.

Five years later, The Federated Colored Club of Oklahoma City donated land for a permanent library to serve the needs of the black community. On July 11, 1926, the new Dunbar Library opened at 613 NE 4th. This was just about nine blocks from the main Carnegie Library.

The city found \$5,000 for the building, books and furnishings. The structure was made of red brick and in a modified Gothic style. Inside was oak and outside were stately elms. The Carnegie Library librarian was Mrs. Mabel Peacock and she gathered up a collection of around 4,000 books.

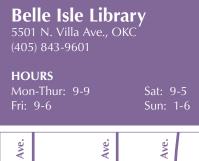
A few years later, Dunbar Library was part of Oklahoma history when its head librarian, Hannah Atkins, went on to become the first black woman elected to the Oklahoma House of Representatives.

As did so many other fine old buildings, Dunbar Library became a victim of Urban Renewal. Dunbar closed and soon the Northeast Library opened. Then in the 70's, the Ralph Ellison Library replaced Northeast.



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





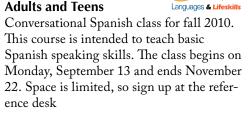
Children Reading to Dogs Nov 1,8,15,22,29 | Mon 6-7:30

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.

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Conversational Spanish Nov 1,8,15,22 | Mon 6:30-8:30p Adults and Teens



English Classes: Learn English as a Second Language

Nov 2,4,9,11,16,18,23,30 Tue and Thur 9:30a-12:30p Adults



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Ongoing enrollment. 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. For questions and to register, come to the class.

Developmental Screenings Nov 3 | Wed | 12:30-4:30p Ages birth to 5 years



Child Guidance is offering developmental and speech/language screenings at the libraries once again! A developmental screening is a very general look at how children are doing compared to other children the same age. Any questions or concerns you may have about your child's development or behavior will be discussed. Information about upcoming stages and home activities will be given. Screenings will include a small fee. To schedule your screening appointment, please call Child Guidance, Oklahoma City-County health Dept. at 425-4112. Cosponsor: OCCHD.

GED Classes @ Belle Isle Library Nov 5,12,19 | Fri 9:30a-12:30p Age 16 and older



Attend free GED classes on Friday at the Belle Isle Library. Review English, social studies, science and math skills in preparation for the GED test. Materials are provided. Attend the class to enroll. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City Public Schools Adult Learning Center.

Service Corps of Retired Executives Nov 6,20 | Sat | 9a-Noon Adults

If you are interested in starting a new business or are a business owner in need of assistance,

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MLS Libraries will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 25 and 26 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

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. Cosponsor: Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE).

Author Event: Deborah Ronna Baker, Oklahoma Author Nov 6 | Sat | 2-3p

Ages 10 and older

Join Oklahoma author Deborah Ronna Baker as she shares stories of her book, *The Porch Down Home*. The author worked on her book at the Belle Isle Library, and it tells the story of her grandparents, Emanuel and Fronia Wallace. The novel, based on true events, discusses knowing and being cared for by loving grandparents and their importance. This book would make a great gift and will be available for purchase and signing. Refreshments provided, so sign up at the reference desk

The Fabulous Shpielkehs: Elaine & Susan Hoffman Watts Nov 11 | Thur | 7-8p arts All ages & Centertainment

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Winning Interviews, Winning Jobs Nov 13 | Sat | 2-4p Adults

Want to know how to make the right impression during an interview? Want to know how to make yourself a winning candidate? The more prepared and confident you are for a job interview,, the better your chances of getting the job you want. Belinda Martin, adjunct instructor, former training manager for a Fortune 500 company, and founder of Interviewing Well, will give you the skills for success.

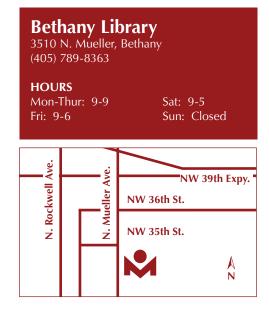
The Scarecrow's Hat Nov 17 | Wed | 10-11a **Pre-kindergarten**



Stories about scarecrows and what they do for us will be shared by Miss B. Wear a hat you would put on a scarecrow and enjoy playtime and an activity. Pre-registration begins Nov. 1st. 843-9601.

Metro OKC Knit Guild Group Meeting Nov 21 | Sun | 3-5p **Teens-Adults**

The Metro OKC Knit Guild group is meeting at Belle Isle. 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, call 793-1566 or e-mail at lluse@aol.com.



Day of the Dead Nov 2 | Tue | 7-8p All ages



Mariachi music by Orgullo de America and a brief history of this celebration in Mexico. Refreshments will be served after this event.

Fall Story and Craft Time Nov 4,18 | Thur | 10-10:45a children & FAMILIES Ages 3 to 6 years

Enjoy stories, songs, nursery rhymes and a fun craft. For child with an adult. Please pre-register at the information desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

Lynn Moroney with Night Tales Nov 4 | Thur | 7-8p All ages

Native American Story Teller Lynn Moroney will share Night Tales. Lynn is a master storyteller who has earned recognition throughout the United States. Refreshments will be served after the program.

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Mistletoe Workshop Nov 6 | Sat | 2-3p Adults and ages 13+

Lori Blehm an independent consultant for Close to My Heart will conduct this workshop on creating a memory book. Each participant will receive a free page for decorating. Collect your favorite 2 or 3 photos for this fun filled activity. Refreshments will be served after the program. Limited enrollment. Call 789-8363, ext. 3.

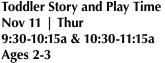
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Children's Hour: **Evening Story Time** Nov 9 | Tue | 6:30-7p Ages 3 to 8 years



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.





Enjoy a story, song, 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.

Plant a Tree Nov 13 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a All ages

Fall is a great time to plant trees. Children, teens and adults of all ages are invited to help plant a tree on the grounds of Bethany Library. Participants can learn proper planting techniques as they help plant the tree and help promote the beautification of our community. For more information contact Daniel Fields at 789-8363, ext. 3.

Health and Fitness Check Nov 15 | Mon | 10a-Noon **Adults and Seniors**

Each 3rd Monday from September through December, Cornerstone Home Health professionals will be here to take blood pressure and other health checks free of charge. The Wii will be available for fitness and fun while you wait.

Snowflakes

Nov 30 | Tue | 7-8:30p Adults and 14+

Myra Woodside will teach this class on needlepoint. Each person will make a snowflake for a decoration. Pre-register early, call 789-8363, ext.3. All supplies will be furnished free. Refreshments will be served after the class.

Capitol Hill Library

HOURS



Hey teens! Join us on the first Monday of

november

every month for some Anime. 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!

Open Play Time Nov 2,16 | Tue 9:30-10:30a Ages 6 and younger



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Developmental Screenings Nov 3 | Wed | 1-5p Ages birth to 5 years



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Chess Club Nov 3 | Wed | 4-5p Kids/Teens of any age who can play chess

Come learn how to play this strategic game of chess. If you already know how to play, have a fun match with others. Please call 634-6308 for more information or to sign up.

Conversational Spanish Class Nov 3,10,17 | Wed 5:30-7p Adults



Conversational Spanish Course from September 8th-December 8th. The class is intended to teach basic Spanish speaking skills (Who, What, When, and Where). Will meet on Wednesday evenings for 14 sessions. Register by calling the library, or sign up at reference desk.

Healthy Weigh Nov 4,11,18 | Thur | 9:30-10:30a All ages

Would you like to lose a few pounds but don't know how? If so, come join "Healthy Weigh" and learn simple ways to lead a healthier lifestyle. "Healthy Weigh" is a free, fun, interactive 12-week nutrition education and weight loss program. You will learn how to improve your health through a nutritious diet and just 20-30 minutes of exercise a day. Topics include: portion control, breaking bad habits, disease prevention, physical fitness, meal planning on a budget, and much more! Sponsored by the Oklahoma City-County Health Department.

Hungry Brains Book Club Nov 4 | Thur | 5-6p Ages 7-12

The Hungry Brains Book Club will meet to read and discuss current juvenile fiction. Sign up at the info desk for call 634-6308.

Children Reading to Dogs Nov 6,20 | Sat | 11a-Noon Ages birth to 5 years



Kids who can read Our highly trained dog volunteers love to hear stories! Come practice your reading skills by reading to these adorable dogs! We provide the books AND the dogs. Please register at

the information desk or by calling 634-6308.

Native American Cultural Day

Nov 8 | Mon 11a-Noon All ages



A cultural program to celebrate Native American Heritage Month. Join the celebration of Native American History month with crafts and demonstrations from members of the Chickasaw Nation. All ages are welcome.

The Fabulous Shpielkehs: Elaine & Susan Hoffman Watts Nov 10 | Wed 10:30-11:30a arts All ages



Elaine and Susan Hoffman Watts will perform klezmer music, a traditional Jewish music as performed at Jewish weddings and holiday celebrations in Eastern Europe. The mother and daughter duo are two of our nation's finest klezmer musicians dedicated to continuing the centuries-old tradition. They perform music passed down through the ages and original family compositions. Cosponsor: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System.

Pokemon Club Nov 10 | Wed | 4-5p Ages 6-12

I choose you! Bring your Pokemon cards or your Nintendo DS and battle it out!

How to Cook a Turkey and All the Trimmings Nov 11 | Thur | 6-7:30p

Ages 9 to adult Want to make that stellar Thanksgiving Dinner but not sure how it's done? Come learn the time-tested recipes of a traditional American Thanksgiving dinner.

Game Fest for Kids Nov 12 | Fri | 4-5:30p Ages 6-12

Rated E Wii and Game Cube games for the younger crowd! Come get your game on @ the Capitol Hill library after school. Mario Cart, Lego, Star Wars, and more!

National Gaming Day Nov 13 | Sat | 2-4p All ages

Join us for National Gaming Day. Pick from an assortment of board games and let's play! All ages welcome.

Comic Book Drawing Nov 16 | Tue | 6-7:30p Teens



Ever wanted to learn how to draw your own comic book? Join us as artist Scott Delsigne gives lessons on the art and the history of comic book art. Call Angela at 634-6308 for more info.

Oh My! Pumpkin Pie! Nov 17 | Wed | 4-5p Ages 6 and older Pumpkin stories. Pumpkin recipes. Pumpkin pie!

Natural Art Nov 18 | Thur | 4-4:45p Ages 6-12 Use the natural beauty of Autumn to create art.

Computer Basics Nov 20 | Sat | 2-3:15p Adults



This class is designed for adults & 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 the library.

School Yard Survival: Conflict Resolution Nov 22 | Mon | 4-4:45p School age kids

Learn the POPS method to resolve conflict in a peaceful manner. Local elementary school guidance counselor will present ways for kids to deal with common conflicts in a nonconfrontational manner.

Choctaw Library 2525 Muzzy St., Choctaw

(405) **390-8418**

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





German for Beginners Nov 1,8,15,22,29 | Mon 5:30-6:30p Ages 16 and older



Join us for "German in 10 Minutes a Day" with Hannalore Chan. Students will learn to speak conversational German and practice correct pronunciation of common German words and phrases. This 12 week course will wrap up with a visit to a local authentic German restaurant. Cosponsor: EOC Tech Center.

Lapsit Story Time Nov 2,9,16,23,30 | 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 Nov 2,9,16,23,30 | Tue 10:30-11a Ages 3-5 years



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

Book Blast Nov 3 | Wed | 4:30-5:30p Ages 6 and older

Have a Book Blast with us. Stop by or call the Choctaw Library to find out the current title. Read the book and then come and participate in fun games and activities related to the book.

Gentle Art of Yoga—Beginner's Class Nov 3,10,17 | Wed | 6-7p All ages

The Far East has long known the health benefits of Yoga and the gentle art has

now found its way to the Western World. Ruthanne Smith of Oklahoma City will lead these sessions. Gentle yoga movements and guided meditation are integral parts of the class regimen. These classes are free and open to the public. Classes are limited to 25. Please pre-register at 309-8418, ext 3.

Art For Kids Nov 4,11 | Thur | 9:30-10:30a Nov 19 | Fri | 9:30-10:30a Ages 6 and older

Join us to learn charcoal and pencil drawing techniques. Please bring a drawing that you have completed to the first class. Bring pencils and paper. Call 390-8418 to register.

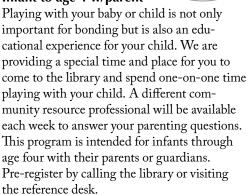
Child Guidance Screenings Nov 4 | Thur | 12:30-5p Ages birth to 5 years



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Family Place: 1-2-3 Play with Me Nov 5,12 | Fri | 10-11a Infant to age 4 w/parent



Soapmaking the Easy Way with Malveena Nov 6 | Sat | 10-11:30a Adults

Malveena Bates will lead this fascinating workshop on soap making. Her techniques will amaze the participants and provide good tips on soap making the easy way. The event is free. Space is limited. Pre-registration required.

Heartland Voices: In Concert Nov 9 | Tue | 6-7p art All ages



A heartwarming community concert of inspirational songs and music with talented singers from Central Oklahoma under the direction of Chris Moore. Light refreshments will be served.

Family Place: Open Play Nov 13 | Sat | 10-11a Ages 6 mos-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.

Tellabration™ A Celebration of Stories Nov 16 | Tue | 6-7:30p All ages

Tellabration[™] is an international event of story concerts held every year around the world. Molly LouBelle Lemmons of Mustang will be the featured storyteller for this event. Molly will be joined by Rosemary Czarski, Carol Roberts, Susie Beasley and Kathryn Thurman. Come listen to stories that are suitable for school age children and adults. Light refreshments will be served. Cosponsor: Way Word Tellers and Territory Tellers.

Children Reading to Dogs Nov 17 | Wed | 4-5p Children who can read



Come and read to a dog! (A dog and trainer certified as a therapy team by Therapy Dogs International.) 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! Limited sign-up. Stop by or call 390-8418 to reserve a space.

Mission to Mars Nov 18 | Thur | 6-7p Teens



November 28th is Red Planet Day! Join us as we learn all about Mars. Try some interstellar snacks and don't leave without your "What-To-Do-If-Mars-Attacks" survival guide! . *Survival guide is all in good, hypothetical fun only.*

Parachute Play Nov 19 | Fri | 10:30-11a Ages 3-5



While playing games with a parachute, children will have the opportunity to practice skills such as: following directions, socializ-

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ing with others, using language, using small and large muscles, and remaining in control during active play. Class size is limited to 12 children and their parents. Call 390-8418.

Ookami Anime Club Nov 20 | Sat | 2:30-4p Teens



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

Genealogy Database Searching Your Family Tree Nov 30 | Tue | 1-2:30p Adults



Introduction to database searching your family tree. Resource materials will be available for checkout and packets of forms will be available as well. This seminar will present techniques and tips that will make your search a virtual worthwhile experience. Pre-registration required.

Enhancing Language & Literacy Skills in Young Children Nov 30 | Tue | 6-7p Parents and caregivers of young children



There are many things parents and caregivers can do to help build children's language and literacy skills from the time they are born. This workshop will present information on the importance of communicating with your child and establishing reading routines, introduce materials that prepare your child for reading and writing, and demonstrate how to incorporate literacy into everyday activities. Pre-register: 425-4412. Cosponsor: OCCHD.



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



Del City Book Club Nov 2 | Tue | 7-8p Adults

The Del City Book Club meets monthly to discuss a book chosen by its members. Join anytime and suggest a title for upcoming meetings! This month we are reading *The Time Traveler's Wife* by Audrey Niffeneggar. Come by and pick up your copy!

Local Author Series—Rodney Redus Nov 3 | Wed | 6-7p Adults

Local author, Rodney Redus, of *Hiss Story: What Would Happen If Satan Was Able to Tell His Story?* will be speaking about his book and the subject including the intricate details of creation and Satan's involvement in the fall of man. Rodney Redus imaginatively weaves a tale of destruction, devastation, and ultimately betrayal in Hiss Story. Redus will have books available for sale and signing. Please call for more information.

English and Spanish Intercambio Nov 4,11,18 | Thur 7-8p

All ages



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¿Habla Inglés? ¿Te gustaría? Or perhaps you would like to speak Spanish? An "intercambio" is a language exchange between people who speak different languages and want to practice speaking each other's language. On Wednesdays and Thursdays, a qualified ESL tutor will be on hand to help you learn and practice the Spanish or English language.

Mother Goose Storytime Nov 5 | Fri | 10-10:20a Ages 1-5

Young children and their parents/caregivers are invited to hear Mother Goose rhymes. There will be other entertaining activities. Join the fun! Turkey Stories Nov 9 | Tue | 6:30-7:15p Ages 4-8 Come celebrate the bird of the m

Come celebrate the bird of the month: turkeys! There will be stories and other fun activities!

Local Author Series—Phil Rigsby Nov 10 | Wed | 6-7p Adults

Local author, Phil Rigsby, author of *Embry House* will be speaking about his book. It is a technological thriller set in a future that may be closer than anyone wants to believe, where secrets cannot be concealed and killing for profit takes on an entirely new meaning. Rigsby will have books available for sale and signing. Please call for more information.

The Fabulous Shpielkehs:Elaine & Susan Hoffman WattsNov 12 | Fri | 2-3pAll ages



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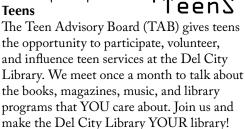
Developmental Screenings Nov 15 | Mon | 1-4p Ages birth to 5 years



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TAB Meet Up Nov 16 | Tue | 3:30-4:30p Teens

Call 672-1377 for more information.



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November / December 2010 Thursday Noon Tunes

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

November 4: Eric Gay Sings the Standards

November 11: Patricia Surman, Classical Flute

November 18: Smilin' Vic, Soul/R&B

December 2: greatbig, Light-Rock Band

December 9: Ed and Karen Petitt, Folk

December 16: Oklahoma Seniors Cabaret

December 23: Boyd Fees' Christmas Choir and Bell Choir

December 30: Mark Lyon and Joe Wilkie, Folk

All performances are free and open to the public.

Downtown Library 300 Park Ave. | OKC, OK | (405) 606-3833



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PlayTime Nov 18 | Thur | 10-11a Ages 6 mos to 3 years



Young children are invited to come play with the library's toys! Parents and caregivers are invited to come hear guest Anita Patel from the Exchange Club's Parent Child Center. She will be sharing information about services of her organization.

Crafts, Etc. Nov 18 | Thur | 6-7p Teens and adults



Knitters, beaders, stitchers, and gluers-come one, come all! Bring any project you're working on and join a fun group of fellow crafters while you explore and expand your interests and creativity. Work on your own handiwork, and watch a mini-demonstration of an easy craft that you can take home. Please sign up and call for more information.

Creative Writing Workshop Nov 20 | Sat | 1-3p Teens



Teens! Interested in creative writing? Join us and get inspired! This workshop is a chance to practice your writing skills, learn new techniques, read what other writers are working on, and hear helpful comments about your own writing. Please sign-up or call for more information.

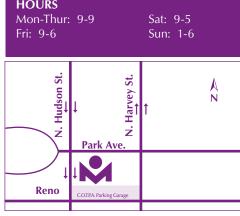
Wire Art Fun! Nov 20 | Sat | 2-2:45 Ages 6-11

Join Amanda Harmer, artist from the OKC Museum of Art, and use wire to make things that go! Inspiration comes from the Jonathan Hils: Intersection exhibit at the Oklahoma City Museum of Art. Then, create planes, trains, automobiles, and anything else you can imagine during this fun time!



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

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Get More Out of Your iPhone Nov 2 | Tue | 6-7:30 Adults



This class includes: iPhone apps, how to get them and use them. Understanding all your iPhone can do for you. Please call 606.3879 to register or ask for Wendy.

Wednesday Night at the Movies Nov 3,10,17 | Wed | 6-8p Ages 13 and older

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

Nov 3: Silverado Nov 10: The Magnificent Seven Nov 17: Westworld

Noon Tunes Nov 4,11,18 | Thur 11:30a-12:30p

All ages



Cosponsored by the Friends of the Metropolitan Library System. Music groups performing in November are:

Nov 4: Eric Gay - The Standards Nov 11: Patricia Surman - Classical Flute Nov 18: Smilin Vic- Soul R&B

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play with Me Nov 4,11,18 | Thur 6:30-7:30p Infant to age 4 w/parent



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Play With Me Nov 5 | Fri | 10-10:50a Infants to age 4 w/parent



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AD/HD or ADD Classes Nov 6 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a Adults



Calling all parents raising a child with AD/ HD or ADD. Free Classes! Children with AD/HD or ADD pose special challenges for parents. Learn more about "Bridging the Gap Between School and Home." All interested persons are welcome. Call 231-8650, ext. 4.

The Fabulous Shpielkehs: Elaine & Susan Hoffman Watts Nov 7 | Sun | 2-3p arts All ages



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Create a Professional Résumé Nov 9 | Tue | 6-7:30 Adults



This class includes: using a template, how to be professional, what not to include. Please bring any information that would assist in creating your résumé including job history, education, etc. Please call 606.3879 to register or ask for Wendy.

Bilingual Family Storytime Nov 11 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p Children and their families



Join us this 2nd Thursday of this month for a Bilingual Family Story Time with Dr. Lois. Children and their families will enjoy stories, fingerplays, a craft and more. Call 231-8650 ext. 4 to register.

Tiempo de cuentos para la familia La Hora: 6:30pm-7:30 pm Localización: Downtown Edades: Familias con Niños 1-12

Venga, cuentos serán leidos en español y ingles con Doctora Luisa. Los padres y sus ninos gazarán de interesantes cuentos, algunos serán leidos por "Wally," un titere. Llamar al 231-8650, extensión 4 para registarse.

Preschool Aerobics Nov 12 | Fri | 10-10:45a Ages 12 mos - 5 years w/adult



Preschool aerobics will get you moving and grooving with warm-ups, stretches, activities and a cool-down. An active story will wrap up your aerobic experience. Pre-register by calling 231-8650 ext. 4 or by visiting the Children's Reference Desk.

Gallery Storytime Nov 13 | Sat | 2-3p Ages 3-5 w/adult



The Metropolitan Library System, along with Oklahoma City Museum of Art, invites children to connect art with reading during monthly storytimes at the museum. Join us the 2nd Saturday of every month at 2:00pm at the OKCMOA. Admission fee to the Gallery is required. A parent must remain with children.

Second Sunday Concert: DuoFisher, Piano Nov 14 | Sun | 2-3p Adults



For professional and FUN entertainment, you just can't beat this husband and wife team. Greg and Miho, and their arrangements for four hands on the piano. Enjoy Beethoven, Chopin and Mozart enhanced with humorous anecdotes and background stories, plus... tap your foot to great gospel tunes mixed with favorite popular music. DuoFisher have performed in four countries and throughout the United States. Everyone is invited to this free Second Sunday concert in the 46th Star Auditorium. Seating opens at 1:30 pm.

Computer Basics 1 Nov 16 | Tue | 6-7:30 Adults

computers

This class includes: understanding your desktop, how to use your mouse, tool bars and task bars, starting with Word. Please register by calling 606-3879 or ask for Wendy.

Child Guidance Development and Language Screening Nov 18 | Thur | 9a-Noon (Ages birth-age 5 w/adult



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Book 'N Play Nov 19 | Fri | 10-10:45a Ages 3-5 w/adult



Children between the ages of three and five are getting ready to master the skills they need to become readers. Book 'N Play will include a variety of activities, fingerplays, songs, and a craft that will encourage an interest in books, reading, and a love for literature. Pre-register by calling 231-8650, ext. 4, or by visiting the Children's Reference Desk.

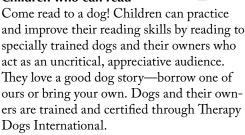
Magic of Reading Nov 20 | Sat | 1:30-2:30p Kindergarten - 3rd Grade



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The Magic of Reading, featuring Freddy the Puppet and Anson II the Magician, will amaze students with magic, ventriloquism and more. A free book will be presented to every student Kindergarten - 3rd grade. Please pre-register by calling 231-8650, ext. 4.

Children Reading to Dogs Nov 20 | Sat | 3-4p Children who can read

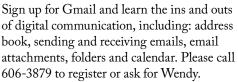


Computer Basics 2 Nov 23 | Tue | 6-7:30 Adults computers

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This class includes: review of computer basics 1, continuing with Word, saving, printing, creating folders and using email attachments. Please call 606-3879 or ask for Wendy.

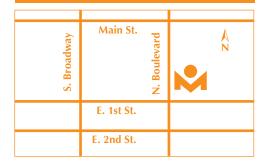
Email With Gmail Nov 30 | Tue | 6-7:30 Adults



Edmond Library

10 S. Boulevard, Edmond 405) 341-9282

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



Preschool Storytime Nov 1,8,15,22,29 | 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 1,3,8,10,15,18,22,24,29 Mon & Wed | 1-4p Adults



This class is for adults who would like to improve their spoken and written English and includes grammar, conversation, vocabulary, reading, writing, listening, and pronunciation. Class is provided by Oklahoma City Community College. Free. Register with instructor the first day you attend.

Beginning ESL Nov 1,3,8,10,15,17 Mon & Wed | 5:30-8:30p Adults



English as a Second Language classes are held at the library Mondays and Wednesdays. This is the introductory ESL class. Register with the instructor on your first visit. Questions? Call OCCC (Oklahoma City Community College) at 682-7859. Cosponsor: OCCC.

Lapsit: Playtime and Storytime Nov 2,9,16,23 | Tue | 9:30-10a and 10:15-10:45a and 11-11:30a Birth to 2 years

Enjoy a special time with your 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, movement, early literacy skills, books and language development.

GED

Nov 2,4,9,11,16,18,23,30 Tue & Thur | 5:30-8:30p Age 16 and older



Adults wanting to prepare for the GED test are invited to free GED classes presented by instructors from the Oklahoma City Community College. Materials are provided. Classes are open to those age 16 years and older who are not currently enrolled in high school. For students 16-17, a notarized consent waiver form is required. Register with the instructor on the first day you attend class. Cosponsor: OCCC.

Chess Club for Teens Nov 2,9,16,23,30 | Tue 6-7p Teens



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Free Chess Club for Teens meets Tuesday nights 6:00 to 7:30. All skill levels are welcome. Students can play others who are learning or have prior skills in the game. Local mom and coach provides materials and instructions.

Children Reading to Dogs Nov 2,16 | Tue 6:30-7:30p Children who can read

Read to a specially trained dog who loves to hear a good book! Dogs with their owners will be in the Library to be read to by children. All dogs and owners are trained and certified as dog therapy teams, and most through Therapy Dogs International. Sessions last approximately 15-20 minutes.

55+ Coffee Break Nov 3,10,17,24 | Wed | 9-11a Seniors

This is a Coffee Break just for you. Snacks, good conversation, Scrabble or games you bring yourself. Find out about new books offered in the library system. Don't miss out on this opportunity to mingle and meet new people.

Computer Instruction With Dave Nov 3/10,17 | Wed | 7-8p

Adults



Free! Join Dave for computer instruction. Call 341-9282 to register. Please call by 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday to verify your appointment.

Stamp Club Nov 6,20 | Sat | 10a-Noon Grades 4 - higher

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

The Fabulous Shpielkehs: Elaine & Susan Hoffman Watts Nov 8 | Mon | 7-8p arts All ages & entertainment

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Chess and Board Games for Kids Nov 9 | Tue | 6-7:30p Ages 8-12

Chess and Board Games offers beginning players a chance to learn and improve their game playing skills, while practicing good sportsmanship in a positive environment. Those interested should contact Connie Hong at conniehong.ok@gmail.com to sign up or for more information.

Developmental Screening Nov 10 | Wed | 1-5p Parent and child



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Edmond Manga and Anime Nov 11 | Thur | 4-5:30p Teens



Free Club for Teens. Meets the Second Thursday of the month from 4:00 to 5:30. Local teens meet to talk, draw, watch and compare Manga/Anime. Content is PG-13 and up and can be unsuitable for younger children.

Music With Susan Nov 12 | Fri | 10-10:30a and 10:40-11:10a Ages 2-3



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

Music With Susan Nov 12 | Fri 11:15-11:45a Ages 4-5

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

"In Stitches" Knitting and Stitchery Group Nov 16 | Tue | 9:30a-2p Adults

Do you knit or do you do needlework? Develop your skills or learn about stitchery at the Edmond Library. You will pursue your hobbies as a group, and you will further develop your abilities by exchanging tips with your knitting or needlework friends. Stay for just a few minutes or for the entire session. You must bring your own yarn, knitting needles, and stitchery projects if you have some. This is self-instruction. "In Stitches" will meet once a month, next meetings Dec.14, then Jan.18 and continuing. Please register by calling 341-9282 for the entire session. If your craft requires it, you may bring your own sewing machine. Pre-register by calling 341-9282.

Sustainable Edmond Nov 16 | Tue | 6:30-8p Adults

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

Mealtime Hassles Nov 17 | Wed | 3:30-5p Parents or guardians of young children



Mealtime is one of the most challenging areas of parenting. Most parents worry about insuring that their child is getting the nutrition he needs. Let's discuss this high stress issue and some techniques that will help. Call 405-419-4164 to register. Robyn Sears MS, CCPS, CFLE, Child Development Specialist. Cosponsor: OCCHD

The Metropolitan Library System Presents OUR WORLD 2010 Elaine & Susan Hoffman Watts and the Fabulous Shpielkehs

From the villages of Eastern Europe to the present-day Philadelphia, mother and daughter Elaine and Susan carry on the centuries-old tradition of secular Jewish melodies known as Klezmer music.

Their concert is joyous, colorful, and suitable for all ages.

Sun., Nov. 7, 2pm Mon., Nov. 8, 1pm Mon., Nov. 8, 7pm Downtown Library Warr Acres Library Edmond Library Tue., Nov. 9, 1pm Tue., Nov. 9, 7pm Wed., Nov. 10, 10:30am Thur., Nov. 11, 7pm Fri., Nov. 12, 10:30am Fri., Nov. 12, 2pm Bethany Library Midwest City Library Capitol Hill Library Belle Isle Library The Village Library Del City Library

For more information call 606-3833. All concerts are free but seating is limited so plan to arrive early.





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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Metropolitan Library Commission of Oklahoma County

Nov 18 | Thur | 3:30-5p Edmond Library 10 S. Boulevard Edmond, OK 73034 405.341.9282 The public is welcome to attend.

History Book Club Nov 18 | Thur | 6:30-8p Adults

Join the newly organized book club for history buffs. We will discuss *The Worst Hard Time* by Timothy Egan. You may reserve copies through your library or purchase one through your local bookstore. This is a partnership with the University of Central Oklahoma. Guest speaker is Dr. Kenny Brown. Register by calling the Edmond Library at 341-9282. Cosponsor: University of Central Oklahoma.

Trip Around the World Nov 20 | Sat | 2-3:30p 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 or call the library. Co-sponsor: Junior League of Oklahoma City.

Lapsit: Playtime and Toddler Aerobics Nov 30 | Tue | 9:30-10a

and 10:15-10:45a and 11-11:30a Birth to 2 years



Enjoy a special time with your child at the library. We will have a playtime with the toys in the story time room. This is followed by a short session of aerobics, emphasizing movement to music.

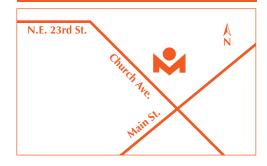


Harrah Library 1930 N. Church Ave., Harrah

(405) 454-2001

HOURS

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



Children Reading to Dogs Nov 13 | Sat | 9a-Noon Grades K-6th



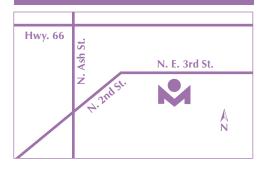
Please come by & share a story with Duke. He is a trained therapy dog that comes to listen to children practice their reading skills. Call 454-2001 for information.

Luther Library

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

HOURS

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



Coffee Break Nov 1 | Mon | 9:30a-10:30a Adults

Come by for a cup of coffee and a light refreshment and see what book we are featuring this week.

Quilting and Sewing Nov 15 | Mon | 10a-4:30p Adults

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

Midwest City Library

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

| HOURS | |
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| Mon-Thur: 9-9 | Sat: 9-5 |
| Fri: 9-6 | Sun: 1-6 |
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Free Tutoring Nov 1-30, Library Hours Students (Teens and Kids)

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

It's All About Me: A Numunuu Children's Exhibit

Nov 1-30 | During Library Hours All ages

In recognition of Native American Heritage Month, the Midwest City Library is honored to host It's All About Me: A Numunuu Children's Exhibit on display throughout the month of November. The exhibit, on loan from the Comanche National Museum and Cultural Center in Lawton, features paintings, photography, and collage created by Comanche children. This special exhibit is free and open to the public during all library hours.

Community Quilting with Soldier Creek Quilting Group Nov 1,8,15,22,29 | Mon | 9a-2p

All ages

Perpetuate art forms and inspire others in quilting. Members of Soldier Creek Quilting Group invite you to attend every Monday at the Midwest City Library from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. No experience necessary, just a willingness to create art. Registration is not required. Cosponsor: Soldier Creek Quilting Group. Preschool Storytime Nov 1,8 | Mon 10-10:30a and 11-11:30a Ages 2-5 with parent



Join us for story time! There will be songs, fingerplays, rhymes, occasional crafts and special stories. Come and join the fun! Older and younger siblings are welcome. All children should be accompanied by an adult. Registration is required. Please call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.

Whose Line Is it Anyway? Nov 1,8,15,22,29 | Mon 5:30-7p Teens



Get your IMPROV ON!! No registration required.

Belly Dancing Nov 1,15 | Mon | 6-7:30p All ages

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

Knit Wit Crochet Program Nov 2,16 | Tue | 10a-Noon All ages

Learn to knit or crochet OR, strengthen your craft. Crochet class meets every first Tuesday of the month; knitting class meets every third Tuesday. Class is free and all supplies provided by the library. No registration required.

English as a Second Language Nov 2,4,9,11,16,18,23,30 Tue & Thur | 5:30-8:30p Adults

November 2, 4, 9,11,16,18, 23 and 30th participants learn to improve their English language skills through everyday conversation. No registration is required. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City Community College Adult Learning Center.

Pajama Story Time Nov 2 | Tue | 6:30-7p 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.

Mamaste Yoga - Crawlers Class Nov 3,10,17 | Wed 10-10:30a Babies 5 mos. and older

Babies 5 mos. and older who are not yet walking Mommy and Baby yoga that i



Mommy and Baby yoga that incorporates singing and play for baby while also designed to balance and restore the physical needs of mother and baby. This class is specially designed for babies who are not yet pulling up or walking. Mother must have been cleared for exercise by her doctor. Wear comfortable clothes that you can move in, most women wear T-shirts and shorts, sweats or leggings. Bring a bottle of water to drink during class. Bring a yoga mat or beach towel. The class is free but will fill up fast! Please stop by the information desk to sign up and fill out a registration form.

Mamaste Yoga - Infant Class Nov 3,10,17 | Wed 10:45-11:15a Babies up to 5 1/2 mos. old (

who are not yet crawling

Mommy and Baby yoga that incorporates singing and play for baby while also designed to balance and restore the physical needs of mother and baby. This class is specially designed for infants up to 5 1/2 months who are not yet crawling. Mother must have been cleared for exercise by her doctor. Wear comfortable clothes that you can move in, most women wear T-shirts and shorts, sweats or leggings. Bring a bottle of water to drink during class. Bring a yoga mat or beach towel. The class is free but will fill up fast! Please stop by the information desk to sign up and fill out a registration form.

Spanish with Señorita Emmy Nov 3,10,17 | Wed 6-7p Adults only



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Come to the Midwest City Library and learn Spanish with Señorita Emmy. Every Wednesday participants will learn basic vocabulary and grammar. This class is free. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Book Bug Club Nov 4 | Thur | 4-5p Grades 1-3

Join us in the Book Bug Club! We will have a snack, play a game and make a craft. We will be discussing *The Stinky Cheese Man* by Jon Scieszka. 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.

Learn Beginning German at the Library Nov 4,18 | Thur | 6-8p Ages 16 and older



Want to learn or strengthen your German language skills? Please attend the German class every first and third Thursday. No registration required.

Alive @ 25 Nov 6 | Sat | 1-5p Teens



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

The Fabulous Shpielkehs:Elaine & Susan Hoffman WattsNov 9 | Tue | 7-8pAll ages



Elaine and Susan Hoffman Watts will perform klezmer music, a traditional Jewish music as performed at Jewish weddings and holiday celebrations in Eastern Europe. The mother and daughter duo are two of our nation's finest klezmer musicians dedicated to continuing the centuries-old tradition. They perform music passed down through the ages and original family compositions. Cosponsor: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System.

Children Reading to Dogs Nov 9,23 | 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. Cosponsor: Creatures & Kids, and TDI.

After School Movie Club Nov 11,18 | Thur | 4-5:30p Children of all ages

Spend your afternoon at the library watching a movie. All movies are rated G or PG. Ask at the Information Desk to find out what movie will be showing. Space is limited to show up early.

Hunters' Education Safety Course Nov 13 | 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

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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. Participants ages 12 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Registration is required. To register, please call 732-4828. Cosponsor: Oklahoma Wildlife Department.

Yu-gi-oh Nov 13 | Sat | 2-4:30p All ages

Come and get your Yu-gi-oh game on every second and last Saturday of the month. No experience necessary. This month Yu-gi-oh is canceled on Saturday, November 25th due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Car Seat Installment Education Nov 15 | Mon | 10-10:30a children & FAMILIES and 11-11:30a Parents and small children

Did you know that 4 out of 5 car seats are installed incorrectly by parents? The Midwest City Fire Department will be educating parents on the 10 most common mistakes parents make when installing car seats. Activities will be available to keep children entertained during the presentation. To register, call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk.

Midwest City Readers' Society Nov 16 | Tue | 10a-Noon Adults

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

Soap Making with Kelly Nov 16 | Tue | 6-7p All ages



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

Child Guidance Developmental Screenings Nov 17 | Wed | 1-5p Parents of young children



Child Guidance is offering developmental and

speech/language screenings @ the libraries once again! A developmental screening is a very general look at how children are doing compared to other children the same age. At a screening appointment, your child's developmental progress will be assessed. Any questions or concerns you may have about your child's development or behavior will be discussed. Information about upcoming stages and home activities will be given. Screenings will include a small fee. To schedule your screening appointment, please call Child Guidance @ 405-425-4412. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Dept.

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play with Me Nov 22,29 | Mon | 10-11a and 11a-12p Infant to age 4 w/parent



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

AAA Motor Vehicle Crash Prevention Course Nov 20 | Sat | 9a-4p Adults

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

Toddler Aerobics Nov 29 | Mon | 10-10:30a and 11-11:30a Ages 2-5 with parent

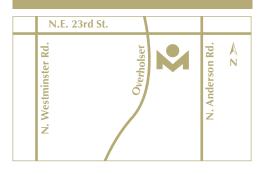


Preschoolers may join in the aerobics class that features lessons & exercises designed to develop fine & gross motor skills. Parents/ caregivers will participate with their child. Registration is required and begins one week before the scheduled program. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to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

Nicoma Park Library

HOURS

Tue-Thur: 9:30-5:30 Fri & Sat: 9-5



Children Reading to Dogs Nov 11,18 | Thur 4-4:45p Ages 4 and older

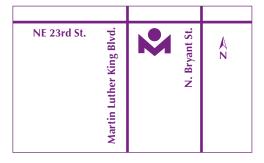
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Children improve their skills by reading to D'Leo and his owner, who are trained and certified as a therapy team by Therapy Dogs International. For more information call 769-9452.

Ralph Ellison Library 2000 N.E. 23rd, OKC (405) 424-1437 HOURS



Sat: 9-5 Sun: Closed



Elementary School Tutoring Nov 2,4,9,11,16,18,30 | Tue and Thur 4-6p Grades 1-5

Assistance is provided for children in grades 1-5 with homework and subjects needing extra attention. Registration is required. Call 424-1437 for information. Cosponsor: Oneon-One Learning.

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Sisterhood/S.A.Y.Y.E.A. Nov 2,9,16,23,30 | Tue | 6-8p Ages 6-12

Encourages holistic life skills, purpose driven behavior, and teaches responsible leadership. Call (405) 549-1174 to register. Cosponsor: Sisterhood Girls Club.

Toastmasters Nov 3,10,17 | Wed | 6-7p Adults

Toastmasters international provides a way to practice & hone the communication & leadership skills of it members.

Oklahoma City-County Health Dept. **Family Planning Clinic Resource Booth** Nov 4,18 | Thur | 6-8p **Teens and adults**

The Oklahoma City-County Health Department Family Planning Clinic is providing a Resource Booth. Services provided to males & females. We assist in filling out SoonerPlan applications. For more information, please call: 419-4150. Cosponsor: OCCHD Family Planning Clinic.

Trip Around the World Nov 6 | Sat | 2-3:30p Grades 3-6

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Family Thanksgiving Storytime Nov 8 | Mon | 6:30-7:30p All ages



Activities, stories, music and more for families to enjoy. Grandparents, parents and young children are welcome to come and share and enjoy each other in this season of thanksgiving.

Preschool Storytime Nov 9,23 | Tue | 10-10:30a Children & FAMILIES Ages 1-5



Stories, music, action rhymes and fun for the preschooler. Join us as we connect children to the fun of books and reading. Call 424-1437 for more information.

Ralph Ellison Adult Book Club Nov 9 | Tue | Noon-2p All ages

Love to read and talk about books? Then join

the Ralph Ellison Adult Book Club. Meetings are the second Tuesday of every month from 12 pm - 2 pm. Bring a lunch or snack and be ready to discuss! The book for November is The Help by Kathryn Stockett. Call 424-1437 or visit the library for more information or to reserve a copy. Cosponsor: S.O.U.P.

Gamefest Nov 11 | Thur | 5-7p Teens



Shh! Video games in the Library?! Rock Band, Guitar Hero, Super Smash Brothers and more! Sign up at the information desk or by calling 424-1437.

Girls Today, Tomorrow's Young Women Nov 13 | Sat | 2-4:30p Ages 12-18



Join Ronda Jackson, founder of Girls Today, Tomorrow's Young Women, Inc, to discuss topics relevant for today's teens. All young ladies who attend should be prepared to leave with a more confident sense of self. Everyone deserves to be encouraged! Call 424-1437 for more information.

"The Porch Down Home" by Deborah **Ronna Baker** Nov 13 | Sat | 2-3p

Adults

Deborah Ronna Baker will visit to discuss her book The Porch Down Home. Deborah Ronna Baker is a native Oklahoman. She was inspired to write this story as a reminder of the joys of growing up with loving grandparents. Cosponsor: On the Ball Publishing.

Child Guidance Developmental Speech/Language Screening Nov 16 | Tue | 1-5p children & FAMILIES Ages 1-5

Developmental screenings provide a general look at how children are doing in the area of speech and language development. Screenings will include a small fee. To schedule your private appointment call Child Guidance at 425-4412. Cosponsor: OK City-Co. Health Dept, Child Guidance.

Reading for a Better World Nov 16 | Tue | 6-7:30p Families/All ages

Reading and hands on art activities focusing on tolerance, diversity and peace. Call 424-1437 for more information. Join us for great family fun and learning. Cosponsor: YWCA and Respect Diversity Foundation.

Canned Food Art Sculpture Nov 20 | Sat | 11a-4p All ages

Want an easy and fun way to give back to the community? Then visit Ralph Ellison Library for a canned food extravaganza! With canned food donated from patrons in the months of October and November, canned art sculpture enthusiasts and patrons of all ages will take part in creating a large sculpture. The sculpture will reside in Ralph Ellison Library before being donated to the Oklahoma Food Bank! The actual sculpture building will take place November 20, 2010 from 11-4pm. For more information or to donate canned food, drop by the Information Desk or call 424-1437.

S.O.U.P. Open Mic Poetry Night Nov 29 | Mon | 6:30-8p Adults

S.O.U.P. Society of Urban Poets provides and opportunity for budding poets to share their work with an audience full of supporters. Just show up ready to read.



GED

Nov 1,3,8,10,15,17,22,29 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. Attend any Monday or Wednesday class to enroll. Call 631-4468 for more information. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City Adult Learning Center.

Children Reading to Dogs Nov 2 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p Nov 13 | Sat | 10-11a 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 & certified through Therapy Dogs International or HALO. Sign-up is required. Please call 631-4468 or visit the Information Desk.

Healthy Weigh Nov 3,10,17 | Wed | 9:30a-10:30a All ages

Would you like to lose a few pounds but don't know how? If so, come join "Healthy Weigh" and learn simple ways to lead a healthier lifestyle. "Healthy Weigh" is a free, fun, interactive 12 week nutrition education and weight loss program. You will learn how to improve your health through a nutritious diet and just 20-30 minutes of exercise a day. Topics include: portion control, breaking bad habits, disease prevention, physical fitness, meal planning on a budget, and much more! Cosponsor: OCCHD.

Homework Help Nov 4,18 | Thur | 4-6p Grades 1-5

High school and college students will be available to help students with homework, play literacy games or read with young people. Call 631-4468 to pre-register.

SCORE Business Counseling Nov 5,19 | Fri | 10a-1p Adults

If you are starting a new business or are a business owner in need of assistance, counseling is available the first and third Friday of the month, by appointment only. The Service Corps 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 for an appointment. Cosponsor: Service Corps of Retired Executives.

Southern Oaks Book Club Nov 9 | 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.

The Village Library

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



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Introduction to Microsoft Excel Nov 1,8,15,22,29 | Mon 6:30-8p

Adults



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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 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.

Winning Interviews, Winning Jobs Nov 1 | Mon | 6:30-8:30p Adults

Want to know how to make the right impression during an interview? Want to know how to make yourself a winning candidate? The more prepared and confident you are for a job interview the better your chances of getting the job you want. Belinda Martin, adjunct instructor, former training manager for a Fortune 500 company, and founder of Interviewing Well, will give you the skills for success.

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Office Skills for Adults Nov 3,10,17 | Wed 6:30-7:30p Adults



Looking for a job? Sharpen you skills in Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook. Learn to use Mail Merge for customer and client mailings. Free individualized instruction evenings and Saturdays. Village Library. Call 755-0710 to sign up.

Music with Susan Nov 4,11,18 | Thur 10-10:30a Ages 2-5 with parent/guardian



Join Susan for musical fun and activities. Class size is limited, so please call 755-0710 or stop by the Information Desk to register. Registration will begin October 11.

Apple Pie Time Nov 6 | Sat | 10-11:30a Ages 5-12

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. Please call 755-0710 or stop by the Information Desk.

Veteran's Day Memories of World War II Nov 11 | Thur | 2-3p All ages

Join program host Mickey Sherman for a presentation of World War II memories in

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celebration of Veteran's Day. All ages welcome for multi-media show and discussion of World War II.

V-SIFT Nov 11 | Thur | 4-5p

Teens



V-SIFT = Village-Something Interesting For Teens. Meets every 2nd Thursday of the month. This month's activity is Anime (some material may not be appropriate for those under 13). Snacks will be provided. Call 755-0710 or stop by the Information Desk to register or for more info.

The Fabulous Shpielkehs: Elaine & Susan Hoffman Watts

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LEGO Club Nov 12 | Fri | 1-3p All ages Come have fun building with LEGOs!

Book Discussion Group Nov 15 | Mon | 3-4p Adults

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

Temper, Temper! Handling **Tantrums** Nov 16 | Tue | 6-7:30p

Parents/caregivers of

young children

children 8

Learn about what fuels a tantrum, how to prevent outbursts and strategies for helping your child develop self-control. Facilitated by Sarita Naegeli. Please call 425-4412 to register. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Department.

Child Guidance Screening Nov 18 | Thur | 1-5p Parents of young child

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Introduction to MS Outlook Nov 18 | Thur | 6:30-8p Adults



Free computer class for adults! Learn how to use Microsoft Outlook to send and receive email messages, create contacts and distribution lists, send and open attachments, and use mail folders. Come in or call to sign up (405) 755-0710

Enhancing Language and Literacy Skills in Young Children Nov 23 | Tue | 6-7p Parents/caregivers of



young children There are many things parents and caregivers can do to help build children's language and literacy skills from the time they are born. This workshop will present information on the importance of communicating with your child, establish reading routines, introduce materials that prepare your child for reading and writing and demonstrate how to incorporate literacy skills into everyday activities. Facilitated by Cheryl Custer and Tracy Goebel. Please pre-register by calling 425-4412. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Department.

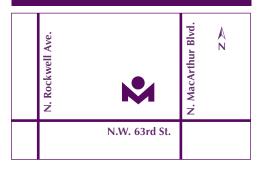
Knitty Committee Nov 27 | Sat | 10-11a Adults

Interested in knitting or learning how to knit? Join the Knitty Committee on the 4th Saturday at 10am. Bring your yarn and join the fun! The recommended yarn for beginners is "variegated worsted weight" & size 7 or 8 needle.

Warr Acres Library 5901 N.W. 63rd, Warr Acres

(405) 721-2616

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



English as a Second Language Nov 1,3,8,10,15,17,22,29 Mon & Wed | 5:30-8p Adults



English as a Second Language classes are held Monday and Wednesday from 5:30 to 8:00 pm. Classes are free. Call (405) 682-7859 for more information. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City Community College.

Story Time for Preschoolers Nov 2,16 | Tue 10:30-11:15a Ages 2 1/2 to 5 years



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

Pajama Story Time Nov 4 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p Preschool age



Preschoolers and their parents will enjoy stories with Miss Alma and her puppets. Children may come dressed in their pajamas. Healthy snacks and photos of October's Dress-Up Party will be provided. Please call to pre-register.

Board Game Bash Nov 6 | Sat | 2-3:30p Ages 12-17



Show your skill & prowess! Are you a Monopoly tycoon, or a big Twister fan? Friendly competition and refreshments. Please call 721-2616 to register.

Warr Acres Book Club Nov 8 | Mon | 11a-Noon Adults

The Warr Acres meets the second Monday of each month. This month we will discuss a biography, How Starbucks Saved my Life by Michael Gill.

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TRIP AROUND THE Asia · Africa · Latin America

3rd – 6th graders will have loads of fun while learning about the cultures of Africa, Asia, and Latin America. Don't miss this exciting opportunity to travel the globe right in your very own library. All sessions meet from 2:00 – 3:30pm.

Call (405) 606-3837 for more information.

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| Bethany Library | Mar. 19 Apr. 16 | (Asia) (Africa) | Ralph Ellison Library | Sept. 18 Nov. 6 | (Latin America) (Asia) |
| Capitol Hill Library | Jan. 8 | (Latin America) | | Feb. 12 | (Africa) |
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| Downtown Library | Sept. 25 Oct. 23 | (Latin America) (Africa) | | Apr. 2 Apr. 30 | (Africa) (Latin America) |
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The Fabulous Shpielkehs: **Elaine & Susan Hoffman Watts** Nov 8 | Mon | 1-2p All ages

& entertainment

Elaine and Susan Hoffman Watts will perform klezmer music, a traditional Jewish music as performed at Jewish weddings and holiday celebrations in Eastern Europe. The mother and daughter duo are two of our nation's finest klezmer musicians dedicated to continuing the centuries-old tradition. They perform music passed down through the ages and original family compositions. Cosponsor: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System.

Meal Time Hassles: Workshop for Adults Nov 9 | Tue | 3:30-5p

Adults

children & FAMILIES Mealtime is one of the most challenging

areas of parenting. Most parents worry about insuring that their child is getting the nutrition he needs. Let's discuss this high stress issue and some techniques that will help.

Play Time for Babies and Tots Nov 10,17 | Wed 9:15-10a and 10:30-11:15a children & FAMILIES 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 Nov 11 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p Ages 6 years and older



Lovable dogs and their trained owners will help children develop reading skills. So grab a favorite book and enjoy a time of reading. All dogs and owners are trained and certified as dog therapy teams by a national canine therapy organization. Please pre-register.

Child Guidance Screenings Nov 12 | Fri | 9a-Noon Ages birth to 5 years



Child Guidance is offering developmental and speech/language screenings @ the libraries once again! A developmental screening is a very general look at how children are doing compared to other children the same age. At a screening appointment, your child's developmental progress will be assessed. Any questions or concerns you may have about your child's development or behavior will be discussed. Information about upcoming stages and home activities will be given. Screenings will include a small fee. To schedule your screening appointment, please call Oklahoma City County Health Dept., Child Guidance @ 405-425-4412.

Game Night Nov 18 | Thur | 6:30-8p Ages 12-17



Shh! Video games in the library? Play Rock Band, Super Smash Brothers and more! Please call to register 721-2616.

Kids' Video Games Nov 20 | Sat | 10:30a-Noon Ages 8-11

Join us for games in our meeting room. Sign up today.

Greg Rodgers, Choctaw Storyteller Nov 20 | Sat | 2-3p All ages

Celebrate Native American Heritage Month with Greg Rodgers, a writer and Choctaw storyteller. Along with music from his flute and other instruments, he will be sharing traditional and contemporary Choctaw stories. Greg's performances are a public demonstration of his true passion, the collection and respectful preservation of his people's memories-the foundation of the Choctaw oral narrative.



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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.

Brennan, Georgeanne. Christmas Gifts From the Kitchen. 641.5686/B8382cg

Lots of people enjoy making homemade goodies to give as Christmas presents, which is good because a lot people enjoy receiving them. (Not that I'm hinting, or anything.) Here's a new book that will help you get a jump on the season with a variety of dessert recipes. There's a warmth that emanates from homemade cookies, cakes and pies that doesn't originate in the oven.

Carestio, Amanda. Fa la la la Felt: 45 Handmade Holiday Decorations.

746.0463/C2719f

And then there is the type of living disaster area in the kitchen who can't even melt ice cubes (not that I'm confessing or anything) but would still like to make some gifts by hand. Here's the book for you. With easy to follow patterns and sound advice, Carestio's book is sure to give you some great decorating ideas.

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| 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 | _ |
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| MIDWEST CITY 8143 E. Reno, MWC, 732-4828 | | 9-9 | 9-9 | 9-9 | 9-9 | 9-6 | 9-5 | 1-6 |
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| THE VILLAGE 10307 N. Pennsylvania Avenue, The Village, | 755-0710 | 9-9 | 9-9 | 9-9 | 9-9 | 9-6 | 9-5 | - |
| WARR ACRES 5901 N.W. 63rd, Warr Acres, 721-2616 | | 9-9 | 9-9 | 9-9 | 9-9 | 9-6 | 9-5 | |
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