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New info

Here's one to make you scratch your head.

The "octo" in October is Latin for "eight"—and yet October is the tenth month of the year. So where does the "eight" come from? Well, in the old Roman calendar, there were only ten months. January and February were added to form the Gregorian calendar, although why anyone would want to create January is beyond me. Maybe it was just so we could have some extra holiday season football games.

Or those extra two months could have been added to accommodate all the terrific programs and events taking place at your neighborhood MLS library. We couldn't possibly stuff them all into only ten months. It takes twelve months plus that extra day every four years. Browse through the monthly calendar and you'll see what we mean.

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Safety hazards, Oklahoma style.

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Here's the Tale, Nightingale by Larry Johnson

Over the past few months, I've been trying to gather information about Beatniks in 1950s Oklahoma City. Most of my initial research into this espresso-fueled world of these nonconformists was a dead-end and people I suspected were ex-Beatniks revealed no finger-snapping beretclad skeletons in their closets.

ventually a clearer picture came into view: there just weren't any Beatniks to be found in Oklahoma City.

Luckily, I found the former owners of Oklahoma City's best coffeehouses in the Beatnik era: Janey Crain of The Black Brick and Steve Brainard of The Gourd and The Buddhi. Janey remembers that

there were few Beatniks available to fill her club but she had no problem drawing a crowd to the little place at 25th and



Judy Henske and Steve Brainard.

McKinley. "They were just different," she said of her clientele. "They were just kids who liked jazz records and poetry instead of football. They just wanted a place to go and be themselves."

Steve Brainard figured there were probably some Beatniks around somewhere, but he can't recall seeing them. The people who crowded into The Gourd (open from 1958-1960 at 53 Broadway



Horton and Steve Brainard.

Circle) and The Buddhi (open from 1960-1968 at 919 North Hudson) were starving for excellent folk music. "We didn't know what we were

doing," he said. "But it was an instant success. People needed us."

Greenwich Village and San Francisco were known as havens for Beatniks and there the nascent folk scene thrived, but photojournalist John Gumm was surprised to find in 1961 that Oklahoma City, specifically The Buddhi, was a major stop on the national folk circuit. Brainard booked folk luminaries like Pete Seeger, Peter Yarrow, Judy Collins, Joan Baez, and The Smothers Brothers. Most nights he and other local greats like Mason Williams, and Hoyt Axton took the stage. Folk legends the Dillards had just formed when their van broke down on the way to Los Angeles; they left The Buddhi three weeks later with a repaired vehicle, \$300 dollars and a recording contract.

Perhaps the most interesting performer at The Buddhi was Judy Henske. The Wisconsin native had a voice more suited to a torch singer than a folk singer, but she somehow ended up at The Buddhi where she frequently performed with Brainard. Henske's performances were exciting and

fun – not what one normally expected from a folk female. Soon Dave Guard of the famed Kingston Trio flew in to hear Judy sing and they both



Henske, Brainard and Art Eskridge.

left town as The Whiskey Hill Singers. In Los Angles Judy remade herself into "The Queen of the Beatniks" – a title she still holds today.

There were other coffeehouses around like the Sword and Stone and The Farrago, but none quite captured the spirit of the city like The Buddhi. Incidentally, if you're an ex-Beatnik from Oklahoma City or frequented these coffeehouses, I'd like to hear from you.

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

Reviews & Recommendations



Losing Mum And Pup by Christopher Buckley

Journalist, author and editor-at-large of ForbesLife magazine Christopher Buckley was unfortunate enough to lose both his parents within a twelve month period between 2007 and 2008, a misfortune which according to Oscar Wilde's Lady Bracknell 'looks like carelessness." (quoted at the beginning of the book)

In this light hearted account of the lives of his not-so-average parents, glamorous New York socialite Patricia Taylor Buckley and his 'pup' William F. Buckley, considered by many to be the father of the modern conservative movement, Buckley speaks about their close relationship both with him and each other, with both warmth and wit. Although he does offer solace to those in similar circumstances after the death of a parent and talks about feeling like an orphan at 50 years of age, Buckley mainly speaks about the warm affection he had for both his parents with all their imperfections and eccentricities as he recalls

reviewed by Christine Bassett

memorable events in their busy lives. For example, his daredevil father took Christopher out in his yacht in 1997 in a storm gusting to fifty-five knots with fifteen foot seas comparable to those in the movie The Perfect Storm saying "we'll just go out for a brisk sail." A state of emergency had been declared in New England and half a million homes were without power while pup insisted that "we'll be fine!"

This is indeed an enjoyable and absorbing read from start to finish, and particularly appropriate for those seventy-seven million baby boomers who have recently lost or will lose parents in the near future. As Buckley states in the title of the preface to his book, "You're Next."

Losing Mum and Pup is also available as an OverDrive WMA Audiobook.

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.



The Hotel Dick by Axel Brand

The Hotel Dick is a new mystery set in Milwaukee in the late 1940s. The author is and isn't Axel Brand. Is, because that's the name on the title page. Isn't, because the name is a pseudonym for Richard S. Wheeler, master of the historical western.

The lead character, police Lt. Joe Sonntag, is a working class cop who thinks his job is important, gets along pretty well with the rest of the guys in blue, has a good relationship with his wife, and is a solid, get-it-done kind of Midwesterner who stays on a case until he cracks it.

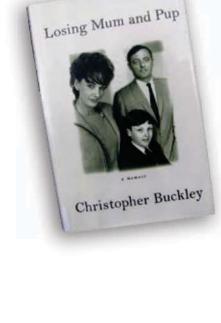
J. Adam Bark is the title character, the house detective at Milwaukee's Lakeshore Towers, a "flossy hotel." While sitting comfortably in a barber chair one day, Bark is shot at close range by Spencer reviewed by Doug Bentin

Tracy, who scoots out the door before the befuddled barber can get his eyeballs back into his head, a la Tex Avery.

Spencer Tracy? Really? Doesn't seem likely until Greer Garson and Veronica Lake also chew on some bullets a few days later. Yeah, in Milwaukee.

The Hotel Dick is solid and familiar, the kind of crime novel that would have been comfortable on a drug store spin rack fifty years ago, and that makes you look forward to a sequel.

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



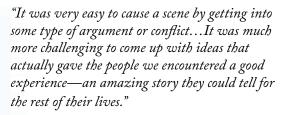


AXEL BRANK



Causing a Scene: Extraordinary Pranks in Ordinary Places With Improv Everywhere

by Charlie Todd and Alex Scordelis



I've pulled my share of college pranks: late-night "obscene" phone calls (scripture readings from the Song of Solomon), frozen bras, buckets of water above a hapless neighbor's door. Strictly amateur.

None of that kid stuff could compare to the masterpieces composed and executed by *Improv Everywhere*, a group of comedic performance artists based out of New York City. With a motto proclaiming "We cause scenes," their goal is to perform harmless "missions" in an effort to bring about joyful chaos.

Todd and Scordelis have penned an entertaining account of the kind of planning it takes to pull

reviewed by Jana Hausburg

off such feats. For me, the most difficult part of participating in pranks like these would be the ability to remain composed. I don't have a poker face. I can fool somebody for a few minutes, but staying in character for an hour-long time warp in a local Starbucks? I just don't have it in me.

Some of their missions have gone viral, with videos forwarded to scores of email inboxes: No Pants! Subway Ride or Grand Central Freeze.

Others have gotten them into mild legal trouble, like Best Buy Mission or the Fake U2 Rooftop Concert.

My personal favorite? It's a tie between the Anton Chekhov Book Signing and the Amazing Hypnotist in Washington Square Park.

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



and the Language of Love by Myron Uhlberg

was the language of his touch."

"All I needed, in order to understand how much my father loved me, was the feel of his arms around me. He spoke, and the language I heard

Few books have moved me like this one. In short, beautifully written chapters, Uhlberg brings the reader into the world of a hearing boy growing up with parents who are deaf.

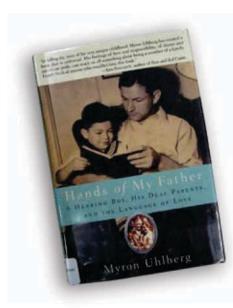
Signs were Myron's first language, although his parents kept the radio on constantly so he could learn how to speak. But speech came with a price: the firstborn son is soon called on to serve as the father's interpreter to the outside world. This world is harsh in its ignorance of the deaf and hard-of-hearing, full of insensitivity and shameful cruelties.



reviewed by Jana Hausburg

Responsibilities sit heavy on the little boy's shoulders as he must grow up much quicker than other boys his age, boys with "normal" parents. Yet the love felt by parent and child is evident in Uhlberg's memories of his childhood, and his vivid descriptions bring his father to life: hands covered with printer's ink after a long day at the *New York Daily News* printing presses; the surprise delivery of a train set, complete with tunnels, bridges, houses and stations; shopping for suits at Bloomingdale's and Macy's; rooting for Jackie Robinson at a Brooklyn Dodger's game.

Uhlberg's memoir spans the period from the Great Depression though World War II and into the early 1950s, and is a poignant way to reflect on the influences a loving father can have on a child.

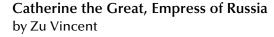


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Reviews & Recommendations



reviewed by Kelley Riha



In an effort to make history interesting to young adults, Scholastic provides the "Wicked History" series focused on the famous and the infamous who affected the course of history in cruel and unusual ways. Author Zu Vincent writes Catherine the Great into a compact story told in simple language for 6-9th graders. At 128 pages, this half-sized hardback makes it easy to follow the rise of a minor German princess whose ambition drives her to become the leader of the German empire.

Catherine began life as Sophie Friederike Auguste of Anhalt-Zerbst. Her mother desired more for her daughter than life in Stettin, Germany could offer and groomed Sophie for a life among royalty. As a preteen, Sophie realizes her opportunity rests with a young Peter Ulrich who is destined to inherit the Russian throne. As historical time marches on, so does Sophie's aspiration until she marries Peter is re-christened Catherine Alexeyevna and then things really get

interesting.

To aid understanding, Scholastic's series offers a lot for the reluctant reader. For instance, Catherine the Great includes an index, a timeline and a glossary. Plus, the text is fairly short and straight forward. Also, the black & white woodcut pictures help the reader visualize the old world setting, seeing people in clothing from the time period.

Other books in the Wicked History series currently on library shelves are Attila the Hun by Sean Price, Genghis Khan and Grigory Rasputin, both by Enid A. Goldberg. If all the history books were written this way, more young adults might be convinced to read them.

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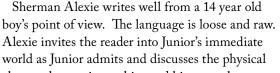


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The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian by Sherman Alexie

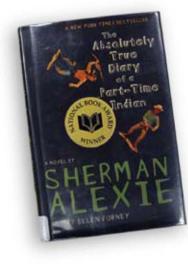
"So I draw because I want to talk to the world. And I want the world to pay attention to me... So I draw because I feel like it might be my only real chance to escape the reservation."

The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-time Indian is a great Young Adult novel narrated by Junior, a half Spokane, half white teen. At 14, Junior understands poverty, alcoholism, abuse and hopelessness. That's life on the reservation. He draws cartoons to express himself. His only friend rescues him from endless bullying. Courageously, Junior makes up his mind to go to the school in the rich, white farm town 22 miles away. "You'll be the first one to ever leave the rez this way," Junior's Mom said. "The Indians around here are going to be angry with you."



changes happening to him and his natural response to them. As Junior learns to exist in the new white world, he finds hope, gathers the strength to make friends and gains his self-respect to become the hero he was meant to be.

"I draw because words are too unpredictable. I draw because words are too limited. If you speak and write in English, or Spanish, or Chinese, or any other language, then only a certain percentage of human beings will get your meaning. But when you draw a picture, everybody can understand it."



The Metropolitan Library System Presents



Sunday, October 4, 2pmDowntown Library, 300 Park Ave.

Monday, October 5, 1pm Warr Acres Library, 5901 NW 63rd

Monday, October 5, 7pm Edmond Library, 10 S. Boulevard

Tuesday, October 6, 1pm Capitol Hill Library, 334 SW 16th

Tuesday, October 6, 7pm Bethany Library, 3510 N. Mueller Wednesday, October 7, 1pm Southern Oaks Library, 6900 S. Walker

Thursday, October 8, 1pm The Village Library, 10307 N. Pennsylvania

Thursday, October 8, 7pm Belle Isle Library, 5501 N. Villa

Friday, October 9, 10:30am Del City Library, 4509 SE 15th

Free Admission | Seating is limited | Doors open 15 minutes before the start of each presentation.

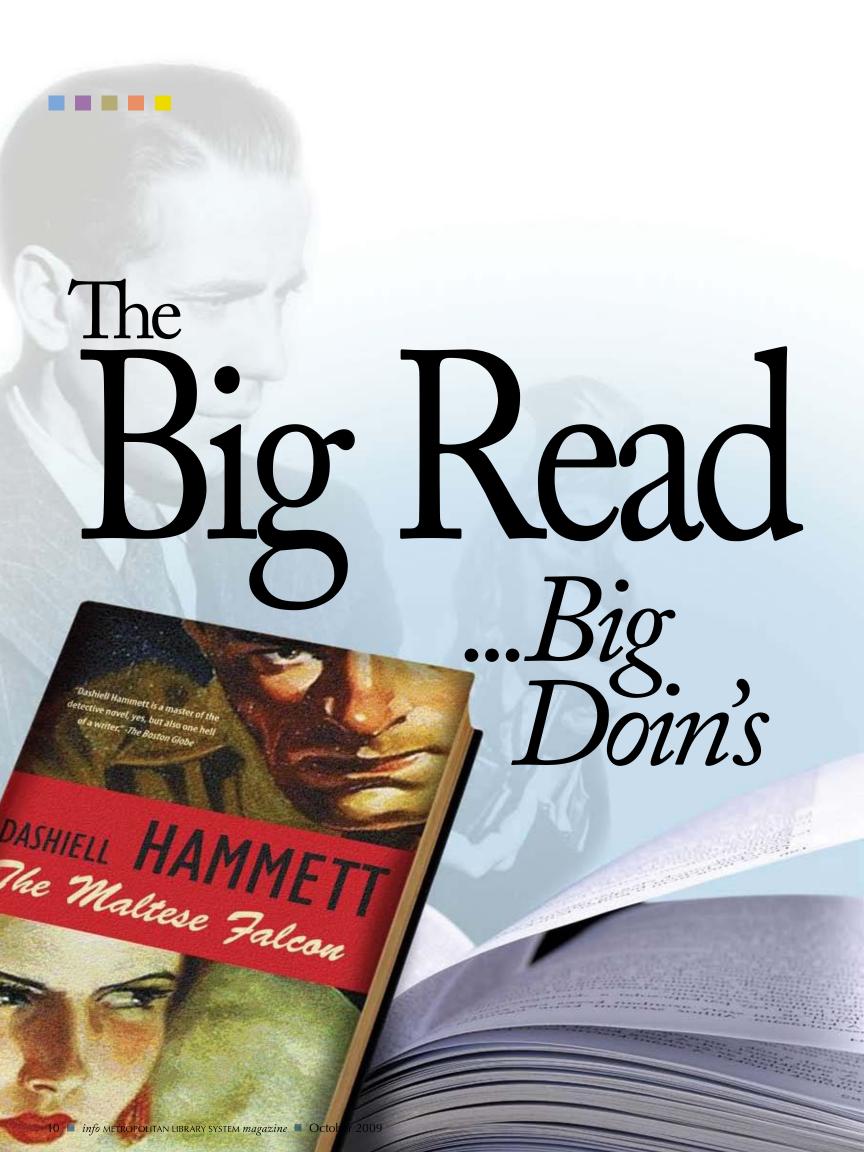
Question? Call (405) 606-3833.













our Metropolitan Library System is partnering with Rose State College for the second annual edition of The Big Read, encouraged nationally by the National Endowment for the Arts as a way of reminding communities that reading is still one of the best ways to acquire information and relax. From a list of 30 titles, this year we chose to read Dashiell Hammett's classic detective thriller, The Maltese Falcon.

Why a detective story? The book's been called "a brilliant literary work, as well as a thriller, a love story, and a dark, dry comedy. The only criticism one could offer Hammett's private-eye classic is that it is so much fun to read, it might be hard the first time through to realize how deeply observed and morally serious it is." And hardboiled crime critic and historian Lee Horsley calls The Maltese Falcon a "parable of ordinary life disrupted."

To expand The Big Read, MSL

and Rose State have created a series of individual events to last all month long. These include:

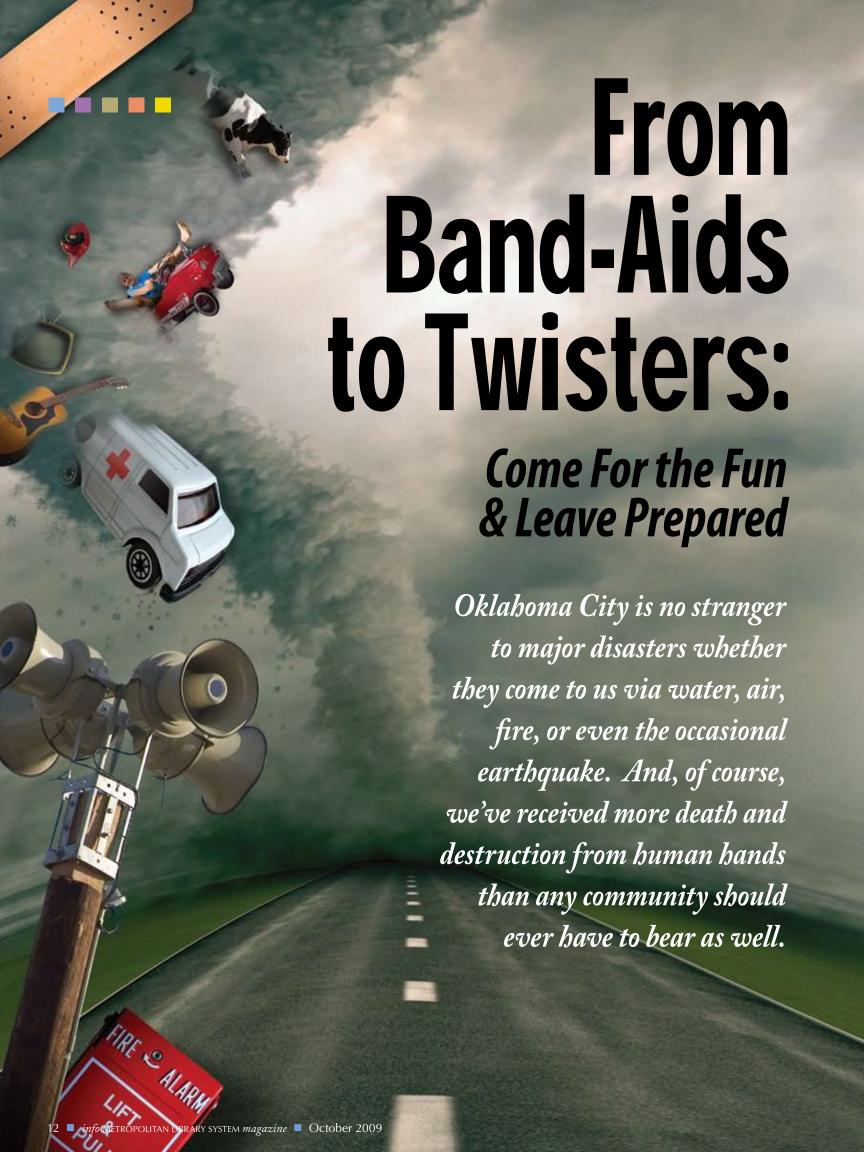
- Where is the Maltese Falcon? A scavenger hunt for all ages at our website, www.metrolibrary.org
- Kids' Book Club Celebrates the "Little Read" ~ for grades 1-3, October 1, Thursday, 4:30-5:30pm: Southern Oaks Library, 6900 S. Walker
- Choctaw Library Pageturner's Book Club ~ for adults, October 3, Saturday, 10:00-11:30am: Choctaw Library, 2525 Muzzy St.
- Warr Acres Library Book Club ~ for adults, October 5, Monday, 11:00am-12:00pm: Warr Acres Library, 5901 NW 63rd
- Del City Book Club ~ for adults, October 6, Tuesday, 7:00-8:00pm: Del City Library, 4509 SE 15th
- The Maltese Falcon Film Screening ~ October 8, Thursday, 7:30pm Oklahoma City Museum of Art, 415
- Southern Oaks Book Club ~ for adults, October 13, Tuesday, 11:30am-

Couch Dr., Oklahoma City

12:30pm: Southern Oaks Library, 6900 S. Walker

- The Maltese Falcon Reader's Theatre ~ for adults, seniors, teens, October 17,
- Thursday, 2:00-3:00pm: Edmond Library, 10 S. Boulevard
- Village Library Book Club ~ for adults, October 19, Monday, 3:00-4:00pm: Village Library, 10307 N. Pennsylvania Ave.
- Falcon Quest ~ for teens, October 22, Thursday, 6:30-8:00pm: Warr Acres Library, NW 63rd
- The Maltese Falcon Film Screening ~ all ages, October 25, Sunday, 2:00-
- 4:00pm: Downtown Library, 300 Park Ave., Oklahoma City, OK 73102
- Birds! Birds! ~ for grades 6+, October 29, Thursday, 5:30pm: Ralph Ellison Library, 2000 NE 23rd

For more information about these and other Big Read related events, check out the monthly calendar of events in this issue of info, and visit our website at www.metrolibrary.org. It would be a crime not to.



o matter in what form disaster strikes, we've been able to patch up our community and keep going. Doing so is never easy, but recovery is aided by preparedness, and since we're just about to move into winter, with its ice storms bitter winds, MLS, the Robert M. Bird Health Sciences Library, and the National Network of Libraries of Medicine are working together to present "From Band-Aids to Twisters: Enhancing Community and Personal Preparedness." This five-hour long event will be held at the Midwest City Library, 8143 E. Reno on Saturday, October 24 from 10am to 3pm. It's all free and open to the public.

"This community preparedness day," said Shari Clifton, head of Reference & Instructional Services at OU's Robert M. Bird Health Sciences Library, "provides a perfect opportunity for the Metropolitan Library System and the Bird Health Sciences Library to present a preparedness fair where the citizens of Oklahoma City and surrounding areas can be introduced to the various agencies and services that support preparedness for disasters both large and small. In addition, the libraries will highlight information resources and services available at their various locations including the free, high-quality resources available through the National Library of Medicine. "

Agencies expected to be represented at the event include police and fire departments, the Red Cross, the OUHSC College of Public Health, the State Department of Health, the Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management, television and radio stations, and other groups that support citizens before, during, and after disasters.

"The Fair's main purpose," said MLS' Director of Marketing and Communications Kim Terry, "is to inform citizens about potential hazards and how to cope with disasters when they happen. People may not be aware of how valuable public libraries are in safety education."

But it's not all going to be dire warnings of dangers to come. There will also be music and storytelling from the EJ Perry Ensemble, the Sugar Free Allstars, Al Bostick and Buffalofitz, not to mention fun, food, and freebies. Where else can you go to learn more about preparing yourself, your family, and your community for disasters large and small, and have a great time while you're doing it?



Mini-Branches

Last month we told you about our Books-By-Mail service for seniors and the home bound, but did you know that MLS also maintains several Outreach Collections in nursing homes and retirement centers? Made up mostly of paperback books, which can be easier to hold than the standard hardback, the centers are free to use by seniors who might not otherwise be able to visit a neighborhood library.

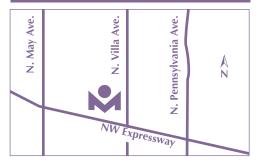
Over 40 years ago, MLS experimented with the concept of "mini-branch" libraries when we opened one on the second floor of the Municipal Building downtown in 1967. It consisted of a rack of around 150 paperbacks, and it operated on the honor system. There was no librarian on duty there and customers were supposed to fill in the check-out slips and then return the books to the Downtown Library. It looked like a hit, loaning out over 50 books in the first two days, but the novelty soon wore off. Before the minilibrary was closed down, it created several new library enthusiasts.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

Belle Isle Library 5501 N. Villa Ave., OKC (405) 843-9601 **HOURS**



ESL: Learn English as a Second Language

Oct 1,6,8,13,15,20,22,27,29 Tue & Thur | 9:30a-12:30p Adults



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

Score Small Business Counseling Oct 3,17 | Sat | 9a-Noon **Adults**

If you are interested in starting a new business or are a business owner in need of assistance, counseling is available the first and third Saturday of the month. The Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) will offer free confidential assistance for potential small business owners. Sign up at the Reference Desk for an appointment.

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Twelve: Film showing life and hope after addiction

Oct 4 | Sun | 2-4p **Teens and Adults**

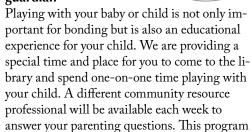
Powerful new film shows that there is life and hope after addiction. Twelve is a novel new film that explores through young people's own words the issues of alcoholism and addiction among America's youth. Oklahoma producers, Jack Sinclair and Lynda Toney-Bahr state they wanted to create a film that young people could relate to by interviewing attractive youth that got into trouble with drugs and alcohol and also found a way out. This message is vitally important since substance abuse often starts as early as age twelve. A panel of cast members who were featured in the film will be available for Q & A following the showing. Young people, parents, counselors, teachers, anyone in the community looking for hope for those suffering from substance abuse will find this film worth seeing.

Children Reading to Dogs Oct 5,19,26 | Mon 6:30-7:30p

Children who can read

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

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play with Me Oct 6,13,20,27 | Tue | 2-3p Infant-age 4 with parent or guardian



is intended for infants through age four with their parents or guardians. Pre-register for this program at the Reference Desk. Co-sponsor: OCCHD. Child Guidance Division.

Parenting the Strong-Willed Child Oct 7,14,21,28 | Wed 5:30-6:45p **Adults**

A four week course to increase understanding and effective parental management of strongwilled children. Facilitated by Katherine Broekhuysen. Must pre-register 425-4412.

Oct 1: Getting to Know Your Child Oct 14: Learning to Manage Your Child Oct 21: Reducing Power Struggles Oct 28: Strategies for Changing Behaviors Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Oklahoma Fancy Dancers Oct 8 | Thur | 7-8p All Ages



The Oklahoma Fancy Dancers are a group of powwow champions that come together to form a professional and highly acclaimed Native American dance troupe. All the dancers are enrolled tribal members, most of whom are full-blood, representing various tribes. The award-winning dance regalia worn by each dancer is brilliantly colorful, traditional and representative of the dancer's tribe and dance performed. Co-sponsor: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Knitting with Plastic Oct 10,24 | Sat | 2-3p Ages 10-16



Are plastic shopping bags running you out of house and home? Go green and turn all that plastic into something you can use! You must know how to knit and purl to enroll in this two day class. Learn how to convert the plastic bags into knittable yarn to make bags, purses, door mats, and coozies. Call the Reference



Desk to register and to find out about the supply list for both classes. 843-9601.

Build Your Own Business Oct 15 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p **Adults**

Learn why business plans are important, where to find funding, and how to start and manage your own business. Seminar is presented by SCORE, "Counselors to America's Small Business", a non-profit organization dedicated to entrepreneur education and the success of small businesses nationwide. SCORE is a resource partner of the U.S. Small Business Administration. Co-sponsor: SBA.

Metro OKC Knit Guild Oct 18 | Sun | 3-5p **Teens and Adults**

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

Halloween Bugs Me Oct 29 | Thur | 10-11a **Pre-kindergarten**



Stories about creepy crawly bugs and spiders

will be shared by Miss B. Playtime and an activity will follow. Pre-registration begins Oct. 1st. 843-9601.

Bethany Library 3501 N. Mueller, Bethany (405) 789-8363 **HOURS** Mon-Thur: 9-9 Sat: 9-5 Fri: 9-6 Sun: Closed



Toddler Story & Play Time Oct 1,15 | Thur 9:30-10:15a & 10:30-11:15a Ages 2-3

Enjoy a play time ending with a story, songs and nursery rhymes. For child with an adult. Choose the 9:30 or 10:30 session. Pre-register at the library Information Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

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Fall Story Time Oct 8,22 | Thur | 10-10:45a Ages 3-6



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.

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The Children's Hour Evening **Story Time** Oct 13 | Tue | 6:30-7p Ages 3-6



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.

Children Reading to Dogs Oct 24 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a Ages 5 and older



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

Quilt Show and Talk by Judy Howard Oct 24 | Sat | 2-3p **Adults**

Judy and her marvelous quilts will be here for everyone to enjoy. Judy will share the histories and stories behind her treasures. Refreshments will be served after the event.

Little Jack-O-Lanterns' Halloween Oct 28 | Wed | 10-10:45a **Ages 3-6**



Come dressed in your favorite costume and enjoy a Halloween story, songs and rhymes, a Halloween craft and a tasty treat! Costume optional. Pre-registration required. Sign up at the Information Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play with Me Oct 29 | Thur | 9:30-10:15a and 10:30-11:15a Infant-age 4 with parent or (guardian

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

Capitol Hill Library

HOURS



Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance Oct 1,8,15,22,29 | Thur | 6-7:30p **Adults**

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

Conversational Spanish II Oct 5,19 | Mon 5:30-7p Adults



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

Oklahoma Fancy Dancers Oct 6 | Wed | 1-2p All Ages



The Oklahoma Fancy Dancers are a group of powwow champions that come together to form a professional and highly acclaimed Native American dance troupe. All the dancers are enrolled tribal members, most of whom are full-blood, representing various tribes. The award-winning dance regalia worn by each dancer is brilliantly colorful, traditional and representative of the dancer's tribe and dance performed. Co-sponsor: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Conversational Spanish Oct 7,14,21 | Wed 5:30-6:30p Adults



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

Making Photo Albums Oct 10 | Sat | 11a-12:15p **Adults**

Attractive photo albums are easy and affordable to make with basic supplies and simple tools. They can be made in different sizes, and can contain as many or few pages as you wish. Come learn how to creatively make photo albums.

Halloween Party Oct 24 | Sat | 2-3:30p All ages

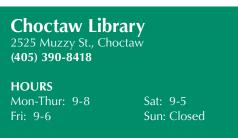
Join us for an afternoon of ghoulishly good fun. Magician Steve Crawford will astound us with his tricks while we enjoy crafts and treats. For more information, call 634-6308.

Drawing Anime Oct 29 | Thur | 6-7p **Teens**



Join us for an anime/manga-style art class! Local artist Alex Brodt will teach beginners tips and techniques for drawing in this style.







Drawing Anime Oct 1 | Thur | 6-7p Teens

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The Big Read with the Choctaw Library Pageturner's Book Club Oct 3 | Sat | 10-11:30a Adults

The Choctaw Library Pageturner's Book Club will be part of the Big Read project. *The Maltese Falcon* by Dashiell Hammett is the selected title for the month. Resource materials will be provided. Light refreshments will be

served. Pre-registration preferred. Co-sponsor: Rose State College and National Endowment for the Arts.

GED Oct 5,7,14,19,21,26,28 Mon & Wed | 9-11:15a Age 16 & older



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

Twelve: Film showing life and hope after addiction

Oct 5 | Mon | 6-8p Teens and Adults

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vitally important since substance abuse often starts as early as age twelve. A panel of cast members who were featured in the film will be available for Q & A following the showing. Young people, parents, counselors, teachers, anyone in the community looking for hope for those suffering from substance abuse will find this film worth seeing.

Lapsit Story Time Oct 6,13,20,27 | Tue 9:30-10a Ages 6 months-3 years



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

Story Time Oct 6,13,20,27 | Tue 10:30-11a Ages 3-5 years



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

Build Your Own Business Oct 6 | Tue | 6-7p Adults

Learn why business plans are important, where to find funding, and how to start and manage your own business. Seminar is presented by SCORE, "Counselors to America's Small Business", a non-profit organization dedicated to entrepreneur education and the success of

small businesses nationwide. SCORE is a resource partner of the U.S. Small Business Administration. Co-sponsor: SBA.

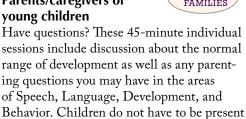
T'ai Chi with Chris Francis: Intermediate/ **Advanced Class** Oct 7,14,21,28 | Wed | 6:15-7p Teens and adults

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

T'ai Chi with Chris Francis: New Beginner's Group Oct 7,14,21,28 | Wed | 7-7:45p Teens and adults

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

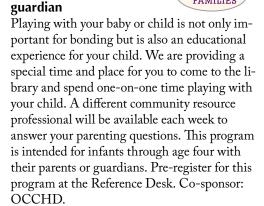
Parent Talk Oct 8 | Thur | 1-5p Parents/caregivers of young children



Staff, Sarita Naegeli and Cheryl Custer. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Department.

at session. Facilitated by Child Guidance

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play with Me Oct 9,16,23 | Fri | 10-11a Infant-age 4 with parent or



Family Place: Open Play Oct 10 | Sat | 10-11a Ages 6 months to 5 yrs with parent



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

Book Blast Club Oct 10 | Sat | 2:30-3:30p Grades 2-3

Celebrate the Little Read at Choctaw with the Book Blast Club to discuss the book, Detective LaRue: Letters From the Investigation. We will have a snack, play a game or make a related craft. Copies of the book will be available at the Reference Desk. There is a limited sign-up so pre-registration is required. Please call 390-8418 or stop by the desk to sign-up.

Big Read Pizza Party Oct 15 | Thur | 5:30-7p Teens



Celebrate The Big Read by enjoying pizza and a video scavenger hunt! Several prizes will be given out-you won't want to miss this!

Ookami Anime Club Oct 17 | Sat | 2:30-3:30p



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.

Conversational Spanish Oct 19,26 | Mon | 5-6p Teens and adults



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

An Evening with Rene Gutteridge: Oklahoma Author

Oct 20 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p **Adults**

Oklahoma author Rene Gutteridge will discuss her books. Books will be available for purchase and author signing. Light refreshments will be served.

Children Reading to Dogs Oct 21 | Wed | 4-5p Children who can read



Come and read to a dog! Readers can come to

practice and improve their reading skills. The dogs with their owners act as an uncritical, appreciative audience with excellent listening skills! Bring your own book or borrow one from us.

Story Circle and Story Swap Oct 24 | Sat | 10-11:30a **Adults**

Join area storytellers for a story circle and story swap. Bring your family stories, healing stories, funny stories and silly stories to share. Light refreshments will be served. Pre-registration preferred. Preserving and perpetuating the art of storytelling in Oklahoma. Co-sponsor: Way Word Tellers and Territory Tellers.

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



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

Del City Library 4509 S.E. 15th, Del City (405) 672-1377 **HOURS** Fri: 9-6 Sun: Closed 쭙

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Del City Book Club Oct 6 | Tue | 7-8p **Adults**

Del City Book Club meets monthly to discuss a book chosen by its members. Join anytime and suggest a title for upcoming meetings! This month we are participating in Oklahoma's Big Read by reading The Maltese Falcon by Dashiell Hammett. Please call to sign up and reserve a copy of the book.

ALEBRIJES



WHAT ARE ALEBRIJES?

A FORM OF MEXICAN FOLK ART.

WHAT IS MEXICAN FOLK ART?

AWESOME!

Alebrijes are figures of mythical or real animals sculpted from papier mache or carved from wood.

Join artist Savannah Mitchell for an introduction to this fascinating creation from Oaxaca.

Tuesday, Oct. 20, 6 – 7:30pm Del City Library, 4509 SE 15th, 672-1377 Tuesday, Oct. 27 from 6:30 – 8pm Southern Oaks Library, 6900 S. Walker, 631-4468





ADHD Perspectives Oct 6 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p Parents and children



Get informed about ADHD and how to manage the challenges presented with the diagnosis. This will be the second monthly meeting for parents and children with ADHD in a support group setting. Child Therapist, Amy Huffer, LCSW, from Northcare will speak on the different aspects of ADHD and will be available to answer your questions. Children will have the chance to participate in a peer group setting and learn behavior management skills. Please call 672-1377 to pre-register or for more information.

Color Me Orange Storytime Oct 7 | Wed | 10-10:20a Ages 1-5



"Orange" you glad it's October? Bring your little pumpkins to the library during the spookiest month of the year for stories and activities about the color orange. We will celebrate the Little Read with orange birds focusing on the Common Kestrel, a brownish orange falcon!

Oklahoma Fancy Dancers arts Oct 9 | Thur | 7-8p **All Ages**



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Drawing Anime Oct 10 | Sat | 3-4p



Artist Alexandra Brodt teaches teens the techniques of Japanese Manga drawing. Please call for more information and to sign up for this program.

PlayTime Oct 15 | Thur | 10-11a Ages 6 months-3 yrs old



This month's PlayTime features a special visit from the Del City Firemen. The firemen will talk about safety while children play with toys and interact with friends.

Metropolitan Library Commission of Oklahoma County

Oct 15 | Thur | 3:30-5p

Del City Library 4509 S.E. 15th Del City, OK 73115 405.672.1377 The public is welcome to attend.

Parachute Play Oct 19 | Mon | 10:30-11a Ages 2-5



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

Piano Masterworks for Children Oct 20 | Tue 10:30-11:30a

All ages



Pianist Wayne McEvilly provides an up close and personal experience of the music and lives of Mozart, Bach, Chopin, Beethoven and the history of the piano. During his performance he encourages the children to recognize their own ability to be natural musicians by listening. He emphasizes how listening to the music of Mozart or Bach can improve their concentration for reading, studying and creative work. The children are invited to send their artistic impressions of the music to Wayne after the program. Music includes "Twinkle Twinkle Little Star Variations" and "Turkish March" by Mozart. Co-sponsor: Metropolitan Library System Endowment Trust.

Alebrijes Folk Art Oct 20 | Tue | 6-7p **Teens**



Alebrijes are a form of Mexican folk art, invented by Pedro Linares and characteristic of the state of Oaxaca. Alebrijes are generally small animals (mythical or not) made from papier mache or carved wood, painted with intense colors and intricate patterns. In this program, participants will learn about the history and culture behind alebrijes and related Mexican folk art and explore Latin American color theory/aesthetics. Participants will paint a papier mache animal to create their own alebrije. Pre-register by calling 405-672-1377.

Storytime Aerobics Oct 22 | Thur | 6:30-7p Ages 1-5



Exercise growing bodies and expanding minds! Join Storytime Aerobics where

children can have fun moving to some music, make new friends, and hear exciting stories.

Del City Quilters Oct 27 | Tue | 6-8p

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

Halloween Storytime Oct 27 | Tue | 6:30-7:15p **Ages 4-8**

Come to the library for a spooktacular storytime with Halloween themed stories and activities! Children should wear costumes for the Annual Monster March!

Halloween Fun! Oct 31 | Sat | 2-3p Ages 6-11

No tricks, just treats! Will it be black cats? Witches? Ghosts? Pumpkins, or candy corn? You won't know unless you make the library your favorite haunt! Children are welcomed to wear their costumes.

Downtown Library 300 Park Ave., OKC (405) 231-8650 **HOURS** Mon-Thur: 9-9 Sat: 9-5 Fri: 9-6 Sun: 1-6 Reno

Noon Tunes Oct 1,8,15,22,29 | Thur 11:30a-12:30p All ages



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

Oct 1: Maurice Johnson, smooth guitar jazz

READ ABOUT IT

Discussions With Authors & Book Reviews

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



OKLAHOMA CITY— A 19th century Comanche Indian policeman, art works at the State Capitol, and a literary profile of Thomas Jefferson are a few of the subjects that will be featured on 'Read About It,' the cable TV show brought to you by the Metropolitan Library System. This month, hostess B.J. Williams will welcome the following guests.

Oct 3 Johnny D. Boggs, president of the Western Writers of America, will discuss *Killstraight*.

Oct 10 Mel Odom, science fiction and fantasy author, will discuss *The Rover*.

Oct 17 Bob Burke, attorney and historian, will discuss *Oklahoma State Senate Art Collection*.

Oct 24 Glenda Carlile, executive director of the Oklahoma Center for the Book, will discuss the upcoming Oklahoma Book Awards.

Oct 31 Kevin Hayes, professor of English at the University of Central Oklahoma, will discuss *The Road to Monticello*.

Guests and program schedules are subject to change without notice.

Oct 8: Donald Ryan, piano rag in the style of Scott Joplin

Oct 15: Patricia Surman, flute & piano duo

Oct 22: Karen Khanágov, Suzuki strings Oct 29: Kyle Dillingham and Callen Clark, original romance pieces for violin & piano

I Can't Believe I Shot That! Film Workshop Oct 1,8,22,29,Nov 5 | Thur 5-7p Ages 11-17



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

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Play With Me Play Group Oct 2 | Fri | 10-10:50a Birth - five years old

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

Native American Festival Oct 4 | Sun | 1-5p All Ages

All Ages
Join us for a celebration of American
Indian culture and heritage through music,

& entertainment

dancing, crafts, art, food and more at this year's Downtown Library Native American Festival. Featured will be the Oklahoma Fancy Dancers, Oklahoma City Indian Princesses, artists Bruce Caesar, Ben Harjo, Anita Fields, and Randy Frazier, traditional singing and drums from Brent Greenwood, contemporary country music from local favorite Jeremy Johnson, and much more. Events will be held on the 1st and 4th floors of the Downtown Library located at 300 Park Ave. Please call 231-8650 with questions.

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Computer Basics Oct 6 | Tue | 6-7:30p Adults



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

Downtown Library. Please call 231-8650 to register.

Wednesday Night at the Movies Oct 7,14,21,28 | Wed | 6-8p Ages 13 and older

Join the Downtown Library for Wednesday Night at the Movies! We're showing film noir classics all month in celebration of The Big Read. Please call 231-8650 for more information.

Oct 7: I Wake Up Screaming Oct 14: Call Northside 777 Oct 21: Nightmare Alley Oct 28: Boomerang

Preschool Aerobics Oct 9 | Fri | 10-10:30a Five years and younger with 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. Call 231-8650, ext. 4 to register.

"PianOrchestra": Second **Sunday Concert** Oct 11 | Sun | 2-3p All Ages



The piano division at the University of Central Oklahoma will present a program featuring the Steinway grand piano and four Yamaha Clavinova digital pianos. The Clavinovas create a wide palette of sounds ranging from classical orchestra to contemporary jazz, country, and rock. All are invited to this free concert. Call 606-3879 for information. Co-sponsor: University of Central Oklahoma.

Preschool Storytime Oct 16 | Fri | 10-10:50a



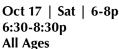
Join us for fall stories. Children will enjoy stories, fingerplays, and more. Call to register at 231-8650, ext 4.

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Wizard Rock After Hours Concert Oct 17 | Sat | 6-8p





Special after hours Wizard Rock show at the Downtown Library! Featuring OKC favorites the Whomping Willows and Justin Finch-Fletchley and the Sugar Quills. FREE! Call (405) 231-3879 to sign up.

Internet Fraud Oct 20 | Tue | 6-7:30p Adults



This class will deal with issues such as cookies, safe on-line purchases, banking, what to do about spam, viruses and any other topics you might have that deal with staying safe on-line. Class will be held in the Route 66 Computer Lab on the 1st floor of the Downtown Library. Please call 231-8650 to register.

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Music Play with Miss Ginger Oct 23 | Fri | 10-10:50a Ages 2-5 with adult



Enjoy songs, musical games and a story with Ginger Waldrip of Ginger's Kindermusik. Plan to come every fourth Friday of the month. Instruments will be provided for those who have registered at 231-8650, ext. 4.

The Big Read Movie Oct 25 | Sun | 2-4p All ages

Join us for a showing of the Film Noir classic The Maltese Falcon to coincide with this year's choice for the Big Read. For more information call 606-3876. Co-sponsored by Rose State College.

Oklahoma Expungement Law: Find It - Legal Resources @ Your Library Oct 26 | Mon | 5:30-7p **Adults**

Learn more about the legal rights concerning expungement of record, when and how to initiate the procedure and information concerning this procedure that citizens have available. CLE credit may be obtained by attending.

Pre-register at 606-3879 or 713-1353. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma County Law Library.

Exploring Career Options with Dr. Debra Vaughn

Oct 27 | Tue | Noon-1p Adults

Interested in changing careers? Learn what steps you can take toward pursuing a new occupation. Dr. Debra Vaughn, Director of Career and Employment Services at OCCC, will demonstrate various online tools that provide guidance in choosing career options. You will explore advantages and requirements associated with various career fields. Call 232-3382 to pre-register by Friday, October 23 and to obtain more information. Co-sponsor: OKC Downtown College.

Parachute Play Oct 30 | Fri | 10-10:30a **Ages 2-5**



Enjoy putting toys, music, games and a colorful parachute together for movement fun! A story and a snack are included. Call 231-8650, ext 4. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Department Child Guidance.

Downtown Library After Dark Oct 31 | Sat | 7p-Midnight Ages 11-17 & grades 7-12



Are you afraid of the Dark? Find out by attending the Downtown Library After Dark...LUAU!! Okay...that doesn't sound very scary, but crafts, games, food, movies & friends equal tons of fun! Registration form available online or at the Downtown Library. Parental signature required. Participation size is limited. For more information call (405) 606-3876.





OUTDOOR STAGE 7-11PM FEATURING

NEW YORK SUMMER JUNEBUG SPADE THE PRETTY BLACK CHAINS HUNDREDSOMETHINGS



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Edmond Library

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GED Test Preparation Class Oct 1,6,8,13,15,20,22,27,29 Tue & Thur | 5:30-8:30p **Adults**



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

Reading to Dogs Oct 1,15 | Thur 6:30-7:30p **Young readers**



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

What Writers Want to Know About **Publishing** Oct 3 | Sat | 2-3:30p Adults

This one-and-one-half hour program, presented by former Edmond resident Jerry D. Simmons, covers all aspects of the business of publishing-how it works, what goes on behind the scenes in New York, what publishers, editors and agents look for in a manuscript, how to get an agent, what to do with your manuscript. Includes Q&A. Jerry has spent over 30 years in the publishing industry

with two of the world's largest publishers, Random House and Time Warner Book Group. His focus is to help writers become successfully published authors. Co-sponsor: Jerry Simmons, Literary Consultant.

Advanced Farsi Oct 4,11,18,25 | Sun 1:30-2:30p **Adults and Teens**



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

Beginning Farsi Oct 4,11,18,25 | Sun 2:30-3:30p **Adults and Teens**



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

Preschool Story Time Oct 5,19,26 | 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 Oct 5,7,14,19,21,26,28 Mon & Wed | 1-4p Adults



For students who have previously attended an ESL class or who are already acquainted with English and would like to practice more advanced language skills. If you would like to enroll in this class, you should call the Oklahoma City Community College Adult Education Office at 682-7873. Co-sponsor: OCCC.

Chess Club for Kids Oct 5,19 | Mon | 3:30-5p Ages 8-13

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

Beginning ESL Oct 5,7,14,19,21,26,28 Mon & Wed | 5:30-8:30p



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

Oklahoma Fancy Dancers Oct 5 | Mon | 7-8p



The Oklahoma Fancy Dancers are a group of powwow champions that come together to form a professional and highly acclaimed Native American dance troupe. All the dancers are enrolled tribal members, most of whom are full-blood, representing various tribes. The award-winning dance regalia worn by each dancer is brilliantly colorful, traditional and representative of the dancer's tribe and dance performed. Co-sponsor: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Lapsit: Playtime and Story Time Oct 6,13,20 | Tue 9:30-10a and 10:15-10:45a and 11-11:30a children & FAMILIES Ages birth - 2 years

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

Edmond Chess Club for Teens Oct 6 | Tue | 6-7p Teens 13-17



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

55+ Coffee Break Oct 7,14,21,28 | Wed | 9:30-11a Seniors

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

Parachute Play Oct 7 | Wed | 10-10:30a Ages 3-6



Playing games with a parachute, children



For teens in grades 7 - 12 Pre-registration is required.





will have the opportunity to practice skills such as: following directions, socializing with others, using language, using small and large muscles and remaining in control during very active play. Class size is limited to 24, twelve children and twelve adults. Call 425-4412 to register. Facilitated by Pam Collins and Dan Hester. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Computer Instruction with Eddie Oct 7,14,21,28 | Wed Ages 18 & older



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

Stuttering and Self-Esteem Oct 7 | Wed | 3:30-5p Adults with young children



Stuttering or speech problems can affect the way a child feels about him/herself. We will discuss how parents and child care providers can have a positive impact on a child's self-esteem. We will further talk about how to recognize a stuttering disorder and what a parent can do to help decrease dysfluency. (Children do not need to be present.) Call 425 4412 to register. Facilitated by Robyn Sears. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Drawing Anime Oct 8 | Thur | 6-7p



Join us for an anime/manga-style art class! Local artist Alex Brodt will teach beginners tips and techniques for drawing in this style.

Music With Susan Oct 9,23 | Fri | 9:30-10a and 10:15-10:45a **Ages 2-3**



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

Music With Susan Oct 9,23 | Fri | 11-11:30a 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 always begins on the 1st day of the month. Registration for the 4th Friday always begins on the 15th day

of the month. Please pre-register by calling 341-9282, ext. 4.

Reader's Choice Book Discussion Oct 10 | Sat | 10:30a-Noon Adults

The Reader's Choice group will encourage you to read and discuss outstanding contemporary fiction. Visit a meeting and enjoy lively discussion. The book for this month is Everything Asian by Sung J. Woo. Call the library to reserve your copy.

The Edmond Book Bunch Oct 10 | Sat | 2-3:30p Seniors

This book group was created for seniors in the Edmond Community who would like to discuss outstanding novels. October's book is Olive Kitteridge by Elizabeth Strout. Check with the library to reserve a copy.

Painting With Light Oct 10 | Sat | 2-3p Ages 9 and 10

Perhaps you've heard the statement, "a picture is worth a thousand words." Come and learn how photography began and experience a new technique of painting with light. Through modern technology, all participants will have a unique picture of themselves to take home. Space is limited. Registration begins Oct. 2nd.

Readers' Theater: Acting Without Memorizing Oct 15 | Thur | 3:45-4:45p Ages 8-11

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

Stamp Club Oct 17 | Sat | 10a-Noon Grades 4 and higher

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

Advanced Basic Computers for Seniors Oct 17 | Sat | 2-3p



We will begin with a discussion and demonstration of the Internet. We will also discuss email topics to include: How to send emails, automatic filing of mail in desired folders, and attaching pictures or files to email. Attention

will also be given to digital pictures, connecting the camera to the computer, uploading pictures, and using a flash drive.

Maltese Falcon Radio Play presented by **Reduxion Theatre Company**

Oct 17 | Sat | 2-3p **Adults, Seniors and Teens**

As part of the Big Read - One Book - One Community effort, Reduxion Theatre Company will be presenting the radio script of the Maltese Falcon. If you enjoy listening to old time radio plays and watching a great local theatre company—come be part of this afternoon delight. Reduxion Theatre produces both classical and contemporary theatre, enriching Oklahoma's cultural, educational and economic climate, attracting artists and audiences from around the world.

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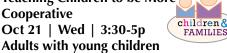
Build Your Own Business Oct 19 | Mon | 6:30-8p Adults

Learn why business plans are important, where to find funding, and how to start and manage your own business. Seminar is presented by SCORE, "Counselors to America's Small Business", a non-profit organization dedicated to entrepreneur education and the success of small businesses nationwide. SCORE is a resource partner of the U.S. Small Business Administration. To register, call 341-9282. Co-sponsor: SCORE.

Sustainable Edmond Oct 20 | Tue | 6:30-8p Adults

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

Teaching Children to be More Cooperative



Sometimes being a parent isn't easy. We will talk about when to discipline or ignore unwanted behaviors. Come and learn the guidance techniques used by experts to teach your child how to cooperate more often. (Children do not need to be present.) Call 425 4412 to register. Facilitated by Robyn Sears. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Seniors

Driver's Safety Class sponsored by AARP Oct 24 | Sat | 9:30a-4p Ages 16 - Seniors

Attention all drivers! If you want to be a better driver and save money, plan to attend the AARP Driver's Safety class and become eligible for a discount on your monthly auto insurance premium. The state of Oklahoma authorizes a discount lasting 3 years for any driver who successfully completes a defensive driver's class. Cost is \$12. AARP members, \$14. for non-members. Call 341-9282 to pre-register. Co-sponsor: AARP.

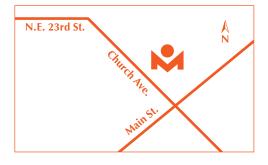
Mysterious Oklahoma: True Tales with author David Farris Oct 29 | Thur | 7-8:30p

Adults, seniors, teens, grades 3-6

Edmond author David A. Farris has been documenting true mysterious events in Oklahoma since the 1990's. Two of his books, Mysterious Oklahoma and More Mysterious Oklahoma focus on events in the supernatural realm that have taken place in our state. Be prepared to be surprised!



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



Tail Waggin Tutors Oct 10 | Sat | 9a-Noon Grades K-6



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



Oklahoma Watercolor Association Annual Exhibit Oct 1-31 | Library Hours All ages

The Midwest City Library is pleased to host the annual Oklahoma Watercolor Association's Traveling Exhibit during the month of October. The exhibit, to be on display in the Lobby Gallery, features the work of Oklahoma artists from across the state. The exhibit is free and open to the public all library hours.

Book Bug Club Oct 1 | 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. Check at the Information Desk for the title of book that we will be reading or to pick up a copy. Registration is required. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.

German for Beginners Oct 1,8,22,29 | Thur | 6-7p Adults



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

Reptiles and Amphibians! Oct 1 | Thur | 7:30-8:45p All Ages

Come join the Oklahoma City Herpetological Society on the first Thursday of each month at the Midwest City Library! The OCHS promotes the scientific study and conservation of herps, emphasizing regional herpetology. Bring your own herp—properly caged, nonvenomous reptiles or amphibians are welcome. For more information, call Larry

Daniel at 737-8331, or send him an e-mail at jostoy1@aol.com. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City Herpetological Society.

Hunters' Safety Education Safety Course Oct 3 | Sat | 9a-2p Ages 10 and older

This home-study-based course is designed to improve your hunter safety skills and performance on hunter safety tests. You must either obtain a workbook directly from the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation or pick up a workbook up at the Midwest City Library. You must complete the workbook prior to class and bring it with you to the class. Specific details about the ODWC Hunter's Education program can also be viewed online at www.wildlifedepartment.com/hunted2.htm. Participants ages 12 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Registration is required. To register, please call 732-4828. Co-Sponsor: Oklahoma Wildlife Department,

Saturday Morning Cartoons Oct 3 | Sat | 10a-Noon All ages

Join us for popcorn and the animated movie about a girl who discovers a passageway into a parallel world where everything seems too good to be true. Based on the children's book by Neil Gaiman.

Community Quilting Class with the Soldier Creek Quilting Group Oct 5,18,26 | Mon | 9:15a-1:30p Adults

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

Whose Line Is It Anyway? Oct 5 | Mon | 5:30-7p Ages 10-16



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

Knit Wit Program Oct 6,13,20,27 | Tue | 10a-Noon All Ages

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

Preschool Storytime Oct 6,13,20 | Tue 10-10:30a and 11-11:30a Ages 2-5 with parents



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. .

Kid's Only Video Game Party Oct 6 | Tue | 4-5p Ages 6-12

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

Mid-Del Toastmasters Oct 6,13,20,27 | Tue | 6-8p

Toastmasters International provides a way to practice & hone the communication & leadership skills of its members. To learn more or to register, contact Jackie Wright at (405) 808-6834 or Dan O'Neil at (405) 204-7154. Co-sponsor: Mid-Del Toastmasters.

Toddlers: Terrible or Terrific? Oct 6 | Tue | 6-7:30p Parents/Caregivers of children 12-36 months



Do you see your toddler as "terrible" or "terrific"? We will discuss normal behaviors which toddlers often exhibit that shape the way we view our toddler. Negativism, exploration of their environment, tantrums, and picky eating are some of these challenging behaviors. We will discuss these challenging behaviors and methods parents can use to cope with them. Facilitated by Sarita Naegeli. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Department

Parachute Play Oct 7 | Wed | 10:30-11a Ages 3-6 with parents



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

Communication Skills Oct 7 | Wed | 3-4:30p Parents of children Birth to age 3



One of the most crucial tools a child can possess is the ability to communicate effectively. Early communication skills provide a solid foundation for further learning. This workshop will focus on ways to interact with young children to enhance their language development. Facilitated by Cheryl Custer and Tracy Goebel. Register by calling 425-4412. Co-sponser: OCCHD.

Adult Movie Night Oct 7 | Wed | 5-7p Adults

October's movie is a tale of an unusual aspect of which a man ages backwards, becoming younger over time. Abandoned by his biological father, this man endures life from a different perspective. To attend the viewing of this Oscar award-winning movie, please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Weaving with Donna Hilton Oct 7,14,21 | Wed | 6-8p All ages

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

Kids Reading to Dogs Oct 13,27 | 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. Space is limited. Register by calling 732-4828 or by visiting the Information Desk.

AAA Motor Vehicle Crash Prevention Course

Oct 17 | Sat | 9a-4p Licensed drivers

Save money on your auto insurance and become a safer driver. Mark Sprayberry, a certified AAA instructor, will be conducting this class at the Midwest City Library. A \$30 materials fee will apply for nonmembers; for AAA members, the fee is \$20. Pre-registration is required. Call Becci at (800) AAA-CLUB (222-2582). Co-sponsor: AAA

Midwest City Reader's Society Oct 20 | Tue | 10a-Noon **Adults**

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

From Band-Aids to Twisters: Enhancing **Community & Personal Preparedness** Oct 24 | Sat | 10a-4p All ages

Come and learn everything you need to know about preparing for disaster events and have fun while doing it. There will be fire trucks to look at, music to listen to, and many things to learn about "being prepared". Free food while it lasts. Co-sponsor: Robert M. Bird Health Sciences Library, National Network of Libraries of Medicine.

Toddler Aerobics Oct 27 | Tue 10-10:30a and 11-11:30a Ages 2-5 with parents



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

Yugioh Card Tournament Oct 30 | Fri | 3:30-5:30p All ages

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

Trick or Treat at the Library Oct 31 | Sat | 9a-5p

Put on your costume and stop by the library for a little Halloween treat.

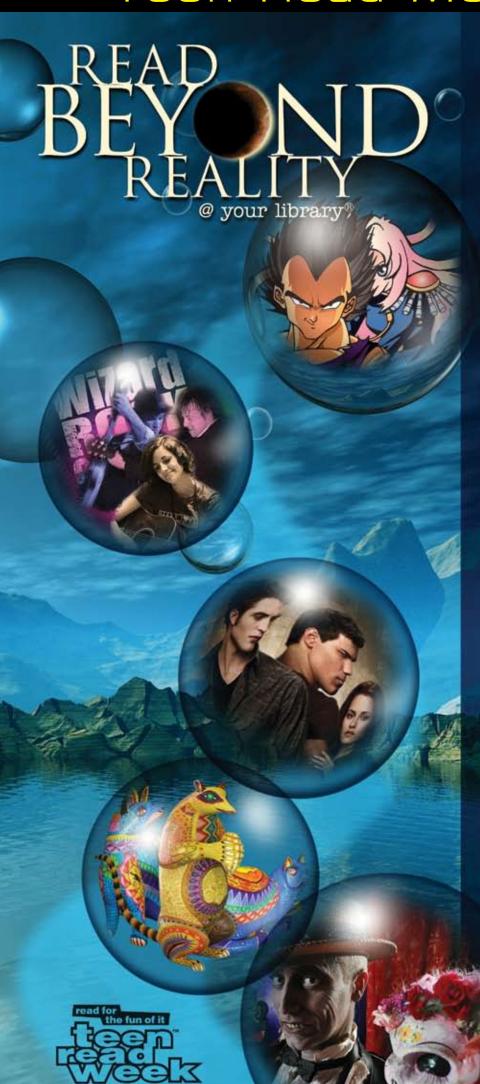
Extreme Makeover: Halloween Edition Oct 31 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a All ages

Put an edge in your Halloween costume this year. Learn tricks and techniques for doing stage makeup and begin your transformation with the help of instructor Hal Kohlman. Space is limited, so please register at the Information Desk or by calling 732-4828.

Chess Club Oct 31 | Sat | 11:30a-1p All ages

Interested in the game of chess or want to boost your skills in one of the oldest mind games? Come to the Midwest City Library at

Teen Read Month 2009



2009 Schedule

Anime Drawing

Join us for an anime/manga-style art class! Local artist Alex Brodt will teach beginners tips and techniques for drawing in this style.

- * Choctaw Library 6pm on Thursday, Oct. 1
- **★** Village Library 7:30pm on Monday, Oct. 5
- * Edmond Library 6pm on Thursday, Oct. 8
- ★ Del City Library 3pm on Saturday, Oct. 10th
- **★** Warr Acres Library 6:30pm on Thursday, Oct. 15
- * Southern Oaks Library 7:30pm on Monday, Oct. 19
- * Ralph Ellison Library 3:30pm on Saturday, Oct. 24
- * Capitol Hill Library 6pm on Thursday, Oct. 29
- * Midwest City Library 3:30pm on Saturday, Oct. 31

Rock the Library

A special free after hours wizard rock show in downtown OKC, featuring fan favorite bands The Whomping Willows and Justin Finch-Fletchley and the Sugar Quills.

★ Downtown Library – 6:00-8:00pm on Saturday, Oct. 17

"I Love Edward" Movie Contest

Come to the Ralph Ellison Library during Teen Read Week and enter to win two tickets to the opening night of New Moon and a Twilight gift basket. One entry per person per day, teens only.

* Ralph Ellison Library - Oct. 19-24, 2009

Alebrijes Folk Art

Alebrijes are animals (mythical or not) made from papier mache or carved wood, painted with intense colors and intricate patterns. Come learn about this Mexican folk art and make your own!

- **★** Del City Library 6:00pm on Tuesday, Oct. 20
- ★ Southern Oaks Library 6:30pm on Tuesday, Oct. 27

Extreme Makeover: Halloween Edition

Give your Halloween costume an edge this year! Learn the tricks and techniques for doing stage makeup.

* Midwest City Library - 10:30am on Saturday, Oct. 31

Cosplay Costume Contest

All fans are invited to attend. Cosplay costumes can be any copyrighted character. Call John at 631-4468 for rules and more information. Co-sponsored by the Scarlet Kitsune Anime Club.

Southern Oaks Library - 2pm on Saturday, Oct. 31



11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please register at the information desk or call 405-732-4828.

Drawing Anime Oct 31 | Sat | 3:30-4:30p **Teens**



Join us for an anime/manga-style art class! Local artist Alex Brodt will teach beginners tips and techniques for drawing in this style.

Nicoma Park Library

HOURS



Storytime with Ms. Krystal Oct 7,14,21,28 | Wed 1:30-2:30p



Ages 1-5

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

Choctaw Women's Aglow Oct 10 | Sat | 9:40a-Noon **Adults**

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



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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5 Sun: Closed

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Teen Advisory Board Oct 7 | Wed | 4-5p



Do you want to help plan teen programs, talk about books and get volunteer hours? The Teen Advisory Board is a group of teens in grades 7-12 dedicated to making the library an awesome place for teens. Call (405) 424-1437 for more

Anime/Manga/Gaming Club Oct 8,22 | Thur | 3-4:30p



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

Teen Crafts Oct 13 | Tue | 5-7p **Teens**



Do you want to make awesome crafts for free? Example crafts include Mardi Gras masks, origami and decorate-your-own flip flops. Call (405) 424-1437 for more info.

"I Love Edward" Movie Contest Oct 19-24, Library Hours **Teens**



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Drawing Anime Oct 24 | Sat | 3:30-4:30p



Join us for an anime/manga-style art class! Local artist Alex Brodt will teach beginners tips and techniques for drawing in this style.

Birds! Birds! Oct 29 | Thur | 5:30-6:30p **Teens**



The birds, the birds!!! Come and let the Oklahoma City Zoo teach you about some amazing birds. You can see owls and other birds up close and personal. Watch out, don't let them get you! This program celebrates the Big Read 2009 and this year's book, Dashiell Hammett's Maltese Falcon. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City Zoo.

Face Painting Oct 31 | Sat | 2-3p **Teens**



Teens, come and get your face painted for Halloween! It's free and fun!

Southern Oaks Library

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Made in Oklahoma Oct 1-31 | Library Hours All ages

Made in Oklahoma... Good for you. Good for Oklahoma! Did you know that Made in Oklahoma food products represent \$2 billion in annual sales and generate 19,000 jobs for Oklahomans? Visit the Southern Oaks library anytime during the month of October and register for a chance to win a beautiful "Made in Oklahoma" basket, filled with Oklahoma products.

Book Adventure: Kids' Book Club Celebrates the "Little Read" Oct 1 | Thur | 4:30-5:30p Kids grades 1-3

Come celebrate the Big Read by participating in the Kids' Book Club's "Little Read." Meet with kids your age to discuss a great detective story! We will have a snack and make a craft or play a game. Call the library to find out what book to read before the program. Some copies of the book will be available at the

Information Desk. Pre-registration required. Sign up by calling 631-4468 or by visiting the Information Desk.

Score Small Business Counseling Oct 2,16 | Fri | 10a-1p Adults

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

Preschool Storytime Oct 5,19,26 | Tue 10:30-11:10a Children ages 2-6 with parent/caregiver



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

GED Oct 5,7,14,19,21,26,28 Mon & Wed | 3-6p Age 16 & older



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

Homework Help Oct 6,13 | Tue | 4-6p Grades 1-5

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

Oklahoma Fancy Dancers Oct 7 | Wed | 1-2p All Ages



The Oklahoma Fancy Dancers are a group of powwow champions that come together to form a professional and highly acclaimed Native American dance troupe. All the dancers are enrolled tribal members, most of whom are full-blood, representing various tribes. The award-winning dance regalia worn by each dancer is brilliantly colorful, traditional and representative of the dancer's tribe and dance performed. Co-sponsor: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Trip Around the World Oct 8 | Thur | 6:30-8p Grades 3-6

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

Southern Oaks Book Club Oct 13 | 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.

Halloween Party: Movie, Costume Contest, and More Oct 15 | Thur | 6:30-7:45p Children of all ages

Come watch a family-friendly Halloween special, have some yummy treats, and join us for our annual Halloween Costume Contest! Costumes are optional, but kids are encouraged to dress up so they can participate in the contest.

Drawing Anime Oct 19 | Mon | 7:30-8:30p Teens



Join us for an anime/manga-style art class! Local artist Alex Brodt will teach beginners tips and techniques for drawing in this style.

Parachute Play Oct 21 | Wed | 10:30-11a Ages 3-6 w/parent



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

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play With Me Oct 22,29 | Thur 6:30-7:30p Childre

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 for this program at the Reference Desk.

Parent Talk Oct 23 | Fri | 9a-Noon Children ages 2-5 with parent/guardian



Are you looking for new parenting ideas? Are you looking for answers to important questions about your child? If so, then Parent Talk may be for you. Sessions include discussion about the normal range of early development as well as any parenting questions you may have in the areas of speech, language, development and behavior. Parents, sign up early as appointment slots fill fast! Children do not have to be present at the session. Workshop facilitated by Teresa Widick, M.S. and Tracy Goebel, M.Ed., CCC, Speech language Pathologist. Call Child Guidance at 425-4412 to pre-register. Cosponsor: OCCHD.

Alebrijes Folk Art Oct 27 | Tue | 6:30-8:30p Teens



Alebrijes are a form of Mexican folk art, invented by artist Pedro Linares. Alebrijes come from a strange yet magical forest that inhabited Pedro Linares visions. They are generally small animals (mythical or not) made from papier mache or carved wood, painted with intense colors and intricate patterns. In this program, participants will learn about the history and culture behind alebrijes and related Mexican folk art and explore Latin American color theory/aesthetics. Participants will paint a papier mache animal to create their own alebrije.

Cosplay Costume Contest Oct 31 | Sat | 2-4p Teens



Cosplay contest!!! All fans are invited to attend. Costumes can be any copyrighted character. Call John at 631-4468 for rules and more information. Co-sponsor: Scarlet Kitsune anime club.

The Village Library **HOURS**



Children Reading to Dogs Oct 1,8,15,22,29 | Thur 3:30-4:30p and 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.

Painting With Light Oct 3 | Sat | 2-3:30p Ages 8-12

Painting with light is a fun exciting new look on photography. Students will learn about photography from a real photographer, then get their picture taken as anything they want to be in a new exciting way.

Drawing Anime Oct 5 | Mon | 7:30-8:30p



Join us for an anime/manga-style art class! Local artist Alex Brodt will teach beginners tips and techniques for drawing in this style.

Babar and me Yoga Oct 6,13,20,27 | Tue 10-10:30a **Ages 2-6**



Come and join Mr. Kelly for fun and gentle yoga. Bring a towel or yoga mat, an elephant (if you have one), and your best animal sounds! For little ones, ages 2-6, and their parent(s). Please register at the Information Desk or call 755-0710.

Oklahoma Fancy Dancers Oct 8 | Thur | 1-2p All Ages



The Oklahoma Fancy Dancers are a group of powwow champions that come together to form a professional and highly acclaimed Native American dance troupe. All the dancers are enrolled tribal members, most of whom are full-blood, representing various tribes. The award-winning dance regalia worn by each dancer is brilliantly colorful, traditional and representative of the dancer's tribe and dance performed. Co-sponsor: Friends of the Metropolitan Library System, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Toddlers—Terrible or Terrific? Oct 13 | Tue | 6-7:30p For parents of children 12-36 months



Do you see your toddler as "terrible" or "terrific"? We will discuss normal behaviors which toddlers often exhibit that shape the way we view our toddler. Negativism, exploration of their environment, tantrums, and picky eating are some of these challenging behaviors. We will discuss these challenging behaviors and methods parents can use to cope with them. Facilitated by Sarita Naegeli. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Department.

Anime Club Oct 15 | Thur | 4-5p **Teens**



computers

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

Introduction to PowerPoint Oct 15 | Thur | 6:30-8p **Adults**

Free computer class for adults! Learn to create Power Point productions for teaching, sales presentations, or presentations to groups or clubs. Come in or call to sign up. Village Library (405) 755-0710.

Book Discussion Group: The Big Read Oct 19 | Mon | 3-4p **Adults**

Participate in OKC's Big Read by discussing The Maltese Falcon today at our library's regular book discussion group meeting at 3pm.

Parent Talk Oct 20 | Tue | 1-4p For parents/caregivers of young children



Sessions include discussion about the normal range of early development as well as any parenting questions you may have in the areas of speech, language, development

and behavior. Facilitated by Sarita Naegeli and Tracy Goebel. Please call 425-4412 to schedule an appointment.

Promoting Communication Skills in Infants and Young Children Oct 21 | Wed | 3-4:30p Parents of children children & FAMILIES birth to 3 yrs

One of the most crucial tools a child can possess is the ability to communicate effectively. Early communication skills provide a solid foundation for further learning. This workshop will focus on ways to interact with young children to enhance their language development. Facilitated by Cheryl Custer and Tracy Goebel. Please call 425-4412 to register. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Department.

Mystery Night Oct 23 | Fri | 5:30-10p Ages 8-12

Please join us for our annual Mystery Night. Eat pizza, hear scary stories, and other fun activities. Pre-register at the Information Desk or call 755-0710.

Knitty Committee Oct 24 | Sat | 10-11a All Ages

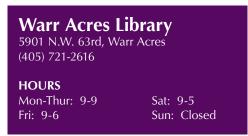
Interested in knitting or learning how to knit? Join the Knitty Committee at the Village Library on the 4th Saturday of the month at 10 am. Bring your yarn and join the fun!

Music with Susan Oct 29 | Thur | 10-10:30a Ages 2-6 with parent



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







Family Place: 1-2-3 Play With Me Oct 3 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a Infant to age 4 with parent or guardian

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

Warr Acres Book Club Oct 5 | Mon | 11a-Noon **Adults**

Join us for The Big Read! This month we will discuss a mystery, The Maltese Falcon by Dashiell Hammett. Come by the library for your copy of the book and a list of discussion questions.

Oklahoma Fancy Dancers Oct 5 | Mon | 1-2p All ages



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ESL Oct 5,7,14,19,21,26,29 Mon & Wed | 5:30-8p Adults



Improve your written and spoken English

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

Music Play With Susan Oct 6,20 | Tue 10:30-11:15a Ages 2 1/2 - 5 years



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

Toileting Triumph Workshop Oct 6 | Tue | 3:30-5p Ages 2 1/2 - 5 years



Toileting doesn't have to be a challenge. Come and learn ways to make this developmental stage more fun and rewarding for the whole family. Facilitated by Robyn Sears and Deborah Shapiro. Sign up is required by calling Child Guidance at 425-4412. No daycare is provided.

Children Reading to Dogs Oct 8 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p Ages 6 and older



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

Ghostlahoma Oct 13 | Tue | 7-8p **Adults**

Join Tonya Hacker & Tammy Wilson, Oklahoma's very own Ghost Divas as they talk about their book Ghostlahoma. They will discuss conducting a paranormal investigation and the importance of documenting the history and stories of people and places.

Playtime for Babies and Tots Oct 14,21,28 | Wed 9:15-10a and 10:30-11:15a 8 to 30 months old



Play promotes healthy development and learning, so bring your youngster to our library for 45 minutes of toys, lap games, and a story with Miss Alma and her puppets. (Siblings are welcome) Pre-register at 721-2616.

Drawing Anime Oct 15 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p TeenS



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Caldecott ART Club for Children Oct 17 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a Age 6 and older

After reading the story, Duffy and the Devil by Zemach, children will create their own works of art using mixed media. Please call to pre-register and join us every month for a fun, art time.

Warr Acres Coffee Break Oct 19 | Mon | 9:30-10:30a Adults

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

Falcon Quest Oct 22 | Thur | 6:30-8p **Teens**



Search for clues to find the Maltese Falcon hidden in the depths of the library. Please call to register. This event is part of the Big Read Celebration, and it is co-sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts.

Can You Hear Me Now? Noise **Induced Hearing Loss** Workshop Oct 23 | Fri | 10:30-Noon



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

Trip Around the World Oct 24 | Sat | 2-3:30p Children in Grades 3-6

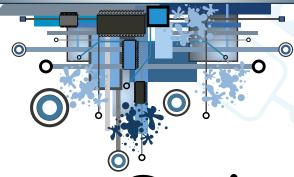
Don't miss this exciting opportunity to travel the globe right in your very own local library. This innovative and hands-on experience for children in grades three through six is sponsored by the Junior League of Oklahoma City. Kids will have a great time learning about the different cultures in Asia,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

Dress Up Party for Preschoolers Oct 27 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p Ages 2 1/2 - 5 years



Dress up your child for a time of Halloween fun!. After the stories with Miss Alma and her puppets, there will be snacks and treats for everyone. Please call to preregister.





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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.

Borde, Raymond. *A Panorama of American Film Noir, 1941–1953*, by Raymond Borde and Etienne Chaumeton; introd. By James Naremore; tr. from the French by Paul Hammond.

Film noir was an American style adapted from a combination of Existentialism and Expressionism, brought here by European filmmakers escaping the Nazis, and developed theoretically by French critics and historians. That said, here's an example of what contemporary French film writers think of classic noir.

Hannsberry, Karen Burroughs. Bad boys: The Actors of Film Noir.

We still see them stepping out of the shadows, cigarettes in their mouths and toughness in their eyes—Robert Mitchum, Robert Ryan, John Garfield, Humphrey Bogart, Lawrence Tierney. This large book is a great print introduction to hardboiled cool in the movies.



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