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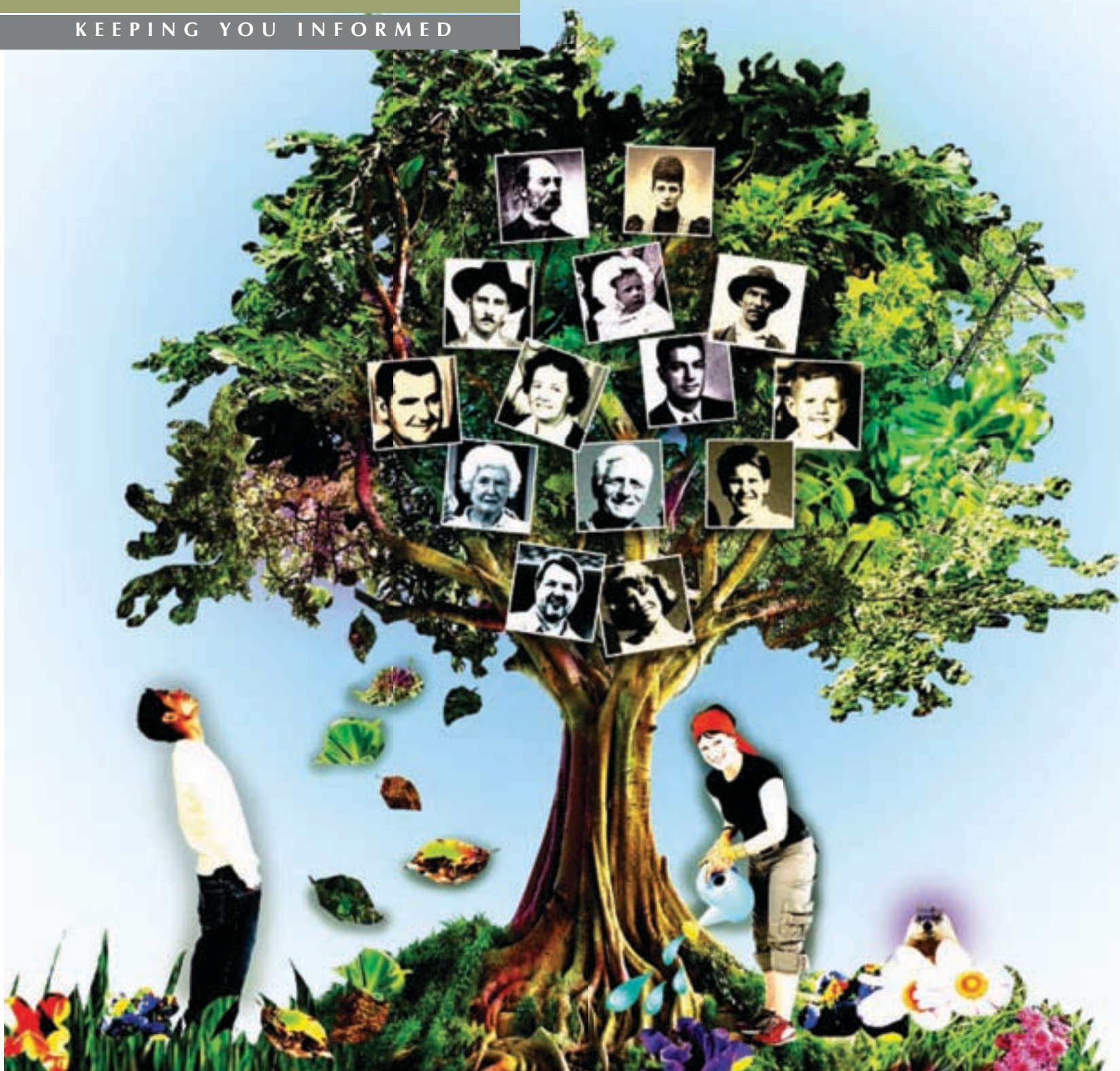
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It was Calvin Coolidge who gave us this definition of our nation's basic character: "The business of America is business."

You can get down to business with your Metropolitan Library System in this issue of *info* by reading about a program designed to help the business person get a better grip on starting and maintaining a small, independent business.

If your interest is cultivating your family tree, you'll enjoy our article about the genealogy material available at the Downtown Library, as well genealogy material available on our website. It's been said that if you do well, you'll have no need for ancestors, but maybe American humorist Don Marquis had the best idea about those who came before us.

"We pay for the mistakes of our ancestors," Marquis wrote, "and it seems only fair that they should leave us the money to pay with."





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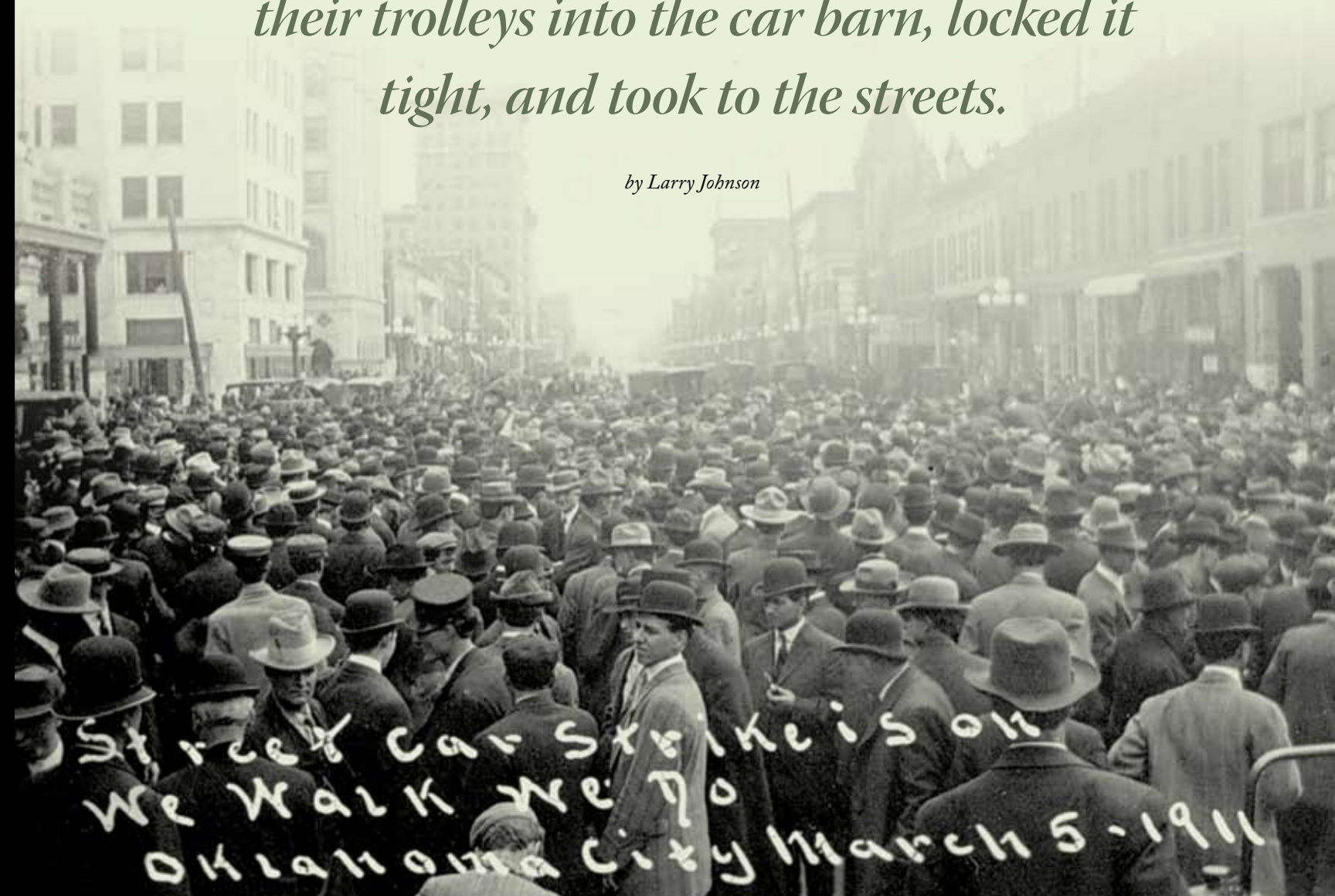


Oklahoma Images

Strike One!

In early March, 1911, about 160 employees of the Oklahoma Railway Company (aka “the streetcar”) pulled their trolleys into the car barn, locked it tight, and took to the streets.

by Larry Johnson



Employees had been trying to unionize the shop because management ignored some serious grievances. The heart of the matter was pay. Each day, conductors worked 15 hours but were only paid for 8 of them. Although the company said their wage scale was 20 to 30 cents an hour, organizers complained that no one ever earned over 24 cents and two-thirds of the employees had never gone beyond the starting wage. When management fired a dozen men without cause, the unionists walked.

For the next eight days the streetcars – central nervous system of the city – were shuttered and life in the city fizzled without the crackle of electricity overhead. At first 10,000 citizens joined the marchers in the streets, but they soon grew tired of walking everywhere and business began to suffer as workers showed up late and shoppers decided to do without. Owners Anton Classen and John Shartel refused to give in to the union's demands and eventually Mayor Dan Scales asked Charles Colcord to assist Sheriff Jack Spain in getting the city rolling again. They drafted 500 men from the Chamber of Commerce and other civic clubs, armed them, and set about busting the strike by hiring scabs to run the streetcars under guard. Meanwhile Kate Barnard ascended a balcony and delivered a rousing speech to the strikers. She was spirited away before Colcord could make good on his intention of

arresting her. Finally, a secret deal was reached between Shartel and the union and the streetcars rumbled on city streets once again.

Arguably, the eight days of March 5-13, 1911 saw the creation of modern Oklahoma City. Then the city

had the look and feel of an east coast city, but something else happened during the strike to change that. Voters approved the creation of a charter form of government sponsored by those same clubs and Chamber that took up arms against the strikers. This moved municipal government from a



patronage system (as in the east) to a professionalized system (common out west). Since then, Oklahoma City has been a business town with the slider between the people and the corporation pulled in the direction of big business. What effect the strike had on that election, we may never know.

Despite the ignominy that often surrounds Labor Day, we should remember it's a twin pillar alongside Memorial Day and take time between hot dogs to honor the struggles and strides made by our ancestors to win the quality of life many of us enjoy today.

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



Reviews & Recommendations



The Man Who Made Lists

by Joshua C. Kendall

A book about the life of the man who wrote Roget's *Thesaurus of English Words and Phrases* promises to be an interesting one.

Peter Mark Roget studied medicine in Edinburgh as a young boy and went on to establish a free clinic for the poor in London. He was later appointed as Secretary to the prestigious Royal Society.

As a scientist, he was fascinated by organizing information about the animate world, but he

compiled the original 15,000 word thesaurus as a coping mechanism for anxiety and depression, traits that ran in his family. The Thesaurus, originally published in 1852, is one of the most popular books used by college students throughout the world.

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.

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ON THE SHELF

Reviewed by Christine Bassett



It Wasn't Much: Ten True Tales of Oklahoma Heroes

by Jana Hausburg

Oklahoma can boast a lot of heroes from fields too numerous to mention, but not all of them have been adequately recognized. The Metropolitan Library System's own Jana Hausburg has written a book featuring ten Oklahomans who were truly heroes.

Unlike those who are recognized for their sports prowess, beauty, or performing talents, Hausburg's five women and five men earned elite status when they risked their lives, health, or well-being to protect and defend others. They distinguished themselves during war, civil unrest, nuclear protest, mining accident, and influenza pandemic.

It is inspiring to read about male heroes like Paul Henry Carr and Ruben Rivers who died defending Americans during times of war, but I was delighted to see an equal number of women receiving the attention they deserve. The contributions of Fern Holland, a human-

rights advocate, and Felicia Daugherty, who organized the care of Spanish influenza victims in Oklahoma City, were just as impressive as those of the men.

Each short biography is illustrated with a portrait and photographs from the scene. Pullout pages focus attention on factors that contributed to the situations. The pages are eye-pleasing and easy to read. Jana has pulled off an amazing feat by making her book colorful and entertaining for tweens, but adults will find it fascinating as well. I hope you will be as moved as I was by these stories of people who truly deserve to be called heroes.

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

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Reviewed by Phyllis Davidson



Led Zeppelin Crashed Here

by Chris Epting

Reviewed by Doug Bentin



Every so often I pick up a book that I know most people won't care anything about but would be a huge hit with a small segment of readers. This is one of those books.

It's a travel guide to an amazing number of sites in the U.S. that represent something significant in the history of rock 'n' roll. This is the book that answers the age-old question, "Where was Ozzy Osbourne when he bit the head off that bat?" Veterans Memorial Auditorium, 833 5th Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa. Check it out.

Finding the address of the cemetery in Lubbock, Texas, where Buddy Holly is buried isn't hard, but where else but Epting's book would you look to find directions to the exact spot where Holly's plane

crashed in 1959? It was a cornfield just outside Clear Lake, Iowa.

Hey, who knew Iowa was such a rockin' state?

Chapters delineate episodes of rock star mayhem, famous concert sites, recording sites, shrines, museums and "other places to spend your cash." Groovy.

You can even find out where Paula Abdul was when her Mercedes was stolen in 1995. I could tell you, but why spoil the fun of finding out for yourself?

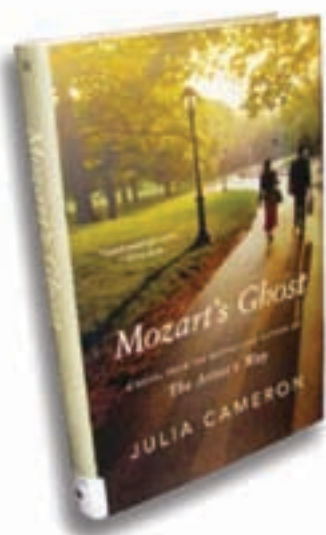
Doug Bentin appears weekly on the MLS TV program "Read About It." Check out his movie reviews in The Oklahoma Gazette, and his occasional film writing on the Oklahoma Film Critics Circle website, <http://ofccircle.org/>



Mozart's Ghost

by Julie Cameron

Reviewed by Lisa Bradley



Do you like ghosts, classical music, and New York City? This story by Julie Cameron has all of these elements.

Anna, a transplant from Ann Arbor, Michigan, has chosen a studio apartment in New York City in which to practice her profession—ghost busting, as her father says. By day, Anna is a substitute teacher at a grammar school. By night, she is a medium, a messenger, helping those grieving a loved one 'speak' to their departed.

However, the quietude of her studio is interrupted by the incessant practicing of the new tenant, Edward, one of six finalists in a major piano competition. Edward's thoughts are expressed through his weekly letters to his benefactors, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver in his hometown

of Wilton, Maine.

From the moment of their first encounter, an uninvited, pushy ghost insinuates himself in the budding relationship between Anna and Edward. The arrival of Anna's twin brother, Alan, a violin maker from Kalamazoo with an obsession for jazz, who befriends Edward adds another layer to the story.

Will the pushy, annoying ghost show Anna and Edward the path to true love? Read this entertaining story to find out.

Lisa Bradley is a reference librarian at the Downtown Library. She's an avid reader, gardener, genealogist, and quilter, and is currently fixing up her house by stripping the wallpaper and painting. She'd rather be holding a book than a paintbrush.



Reviews & Recommendations

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World Made By Hand

by James Howard Kunstler

Reviewed by Jana Hausburg



Rising gas prices, food shortages, melting glacial ice, dogs and cats living together: what does it all mean? Why, the end of the world, of course! Kunstler weaves a speculative tale not far into the future of a society functioning without benefit of oil production and coping with climate change.

Robert Earle, a former software executive, now makes a living as a carpenter. Living in a small town in New York, he and his neighbors have survived coastal terrorist bombings, epidemics, and the absence of government. It's a brutal lifestyle, the kind that weeds out the weak, the depressed, and the unmotivated. The community is slowly coming apart, lost in their memories of how things used to be.

When Brother Jobe leads his radical religious sect called The New Faith to settle into the abandoned high school, Robert is propelled into

a series of events that shake the foundations of Union Grove. Against his will, Robert is elected mayor of the town, then enlisted to help search for a missing river boat crew, and later, must confront a gang of ex-motorheads controlling the town dump. Each action highlights how necessary it is for those who remain to band together and do what they can to restore a sense of normality. Their very survival depends on it.

Eerily mirroring today's events, it's easy for the reader to project him or herself into the story, asking, "What would I be able to contribute? How would I cope? Would I even want to be a survivor? Will it really come to this?"

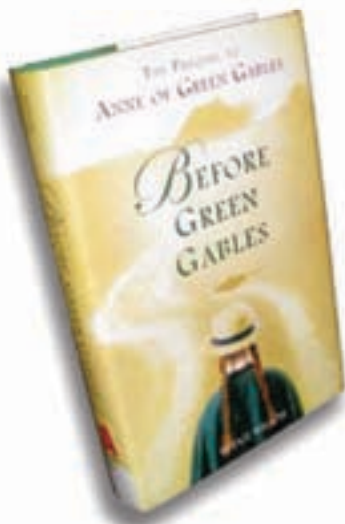
A cataloger for the Metropolitan Library System since 1995, Jana Hausburg has the daunting task of cataloging library books before they go on the shelves of your local library.

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Before Green Gables

by Budge Wilson

Reviewed by Phyllis Davidson



It may have been years since you read the *Anne of Green Gables* series by Lucy Maud Montgomery, but who could forget that plucky, redheaded orphan? An elderly sibling pair had asked an orphanage for a strong boy to help with farm work, but Anne was sent instead. The couple fell in love with Anne and decided to keep her. The first installment was published in 1908 and has long been an international favorite.

Award winning author, Budge Wilson, received permission from the Montgomery heirs to write a prequel to the popular series. It covers the

years from Anne's birth to the time she finds a loving and stable home on Prince Edward Island. Anne's birth parents adored her, but they died when she was only three months old. Anne was taken in by the scrubbing woman, and I guess you could say that she became a scrubbing girl. In spite of her difficult childhood, Anne remained as beautiful on the inside as she was plain on the outside. Wherever she lived, she found someone to love and someone to love her. I think this book will tempt you to read, re-read or watch the video about this remarkable girl.



Meet You at the Library

○wning your own business—for many, it isn't part of the American Dream. It is the whole American Dream.

Join the experts of SCORE, a nonprofit association dedicated to entrepreneur education and the formation, growth and success of small businesses nationwide, and the U.S. Small Business Administration for a county-wide series of sessions called “Build Your Own Business.”

“For many people,” said Dana Morrow, Metropolitan Library System’s Director of Outreach Services, “the goal is to start and manage their own business. But the process is a lot harder than a lot of folks think it is. You have to have a business plan and you have to know how you can find funding. Is being an entrepreneur a good choice for you? The old saying is that the most important element of any business is location, location, location, but that’s not the only important thing.

“Build Your Own Business” is a solid first step in helping potential small business owners in Oklahoma discover the factors leading to success.

Yes, your Metropolitan Library System library isn’t just a good place to read or study. It’s also a terrific place for social and business activities. You can interact with others there, and not just via the free Internet access. Our libraries have meeting rooms that are available for programs like “Build Your Own Business,” and also for a variety of purposes.

For example, we co-sponsor programs of all sorts. Several libraries have worked with The Oklahoma City Clinic to offer health screenings. We’ve made meeting room space available for an autism support group, for stamp and coin collectors, and for chess enthusiasts looking for challenging opponents.

And you may have noticed the foreign language classes that meet at several libraries. When you learn Farsi or Spanish at one of our library programs, you’ll also be introduced to the cultures of the countries where those languages are spoken. For years our Midwest City Library has provided meeting room space to the Scottish Gaelic Language Learner’s Group for introducing their speech and culture.

We also have meeting rooms available for a small fee for groups, clubs and businesses who need space all around the county to get their message to the people.

So if you’re looking for a conveniently located meeting room, check with your local library. We may be just what you need.



All in the Family

*Voltaire wrote that if you live a good life
and do well, you have no need of ancestors.*

Fine for him, maybe, but many Oklahomans are passionate about tracing their family roots and sharing the stories of their families' treks to the Sooner State. The famous cartoonist and Pawnee native Chester Gould must have known folks like that—every time he inserted Bob Oscar Plenty into a “Dick Tracy” story, the old-timer insisted on recounting the tale of his father’s ventures out west by covered wagon.

If you’ve ever been interested in cultivating—and maybe pruning—your family tree but don’t know how to begin, the genealogy collection at your Metropolitan Library System is a good place to start.

Books like The American Society of Genealogists’ *Genealogical Research: Methods and Sources* can get you started. If that sounds a little too hard-core to be a starting place for you, maybe a book written for younger would-be genealogists, something like Susan Provost Beller’s *Roots For Kids: A Genealogy Guide for Young People*, would serve as a better introduction to the subject. You can even buy computer software to help you with your search for the past, and your library might even be able to back you up there. We have books like Marthe Arends’ *Create Your Own Family History Book With Family Tree Maker, version 8, the Official Guide*.

But here’s your best bet for a successful introduction to one of America’s most popular hobbies—check out the “Genealogy for Beginners” research guide on our website, www.metrolibrary.org. When you get to the website, type the word “genealogy” in the “Search our website” box, hit “enter” and you’ll be taken immediately to the “Site search” page. The research guide you want will be at the top of the list. The guide was prepared by Downtown librarian Phyllis Davidson, an avid genealogist and one of *info* magazine’s most popular book reviewers.

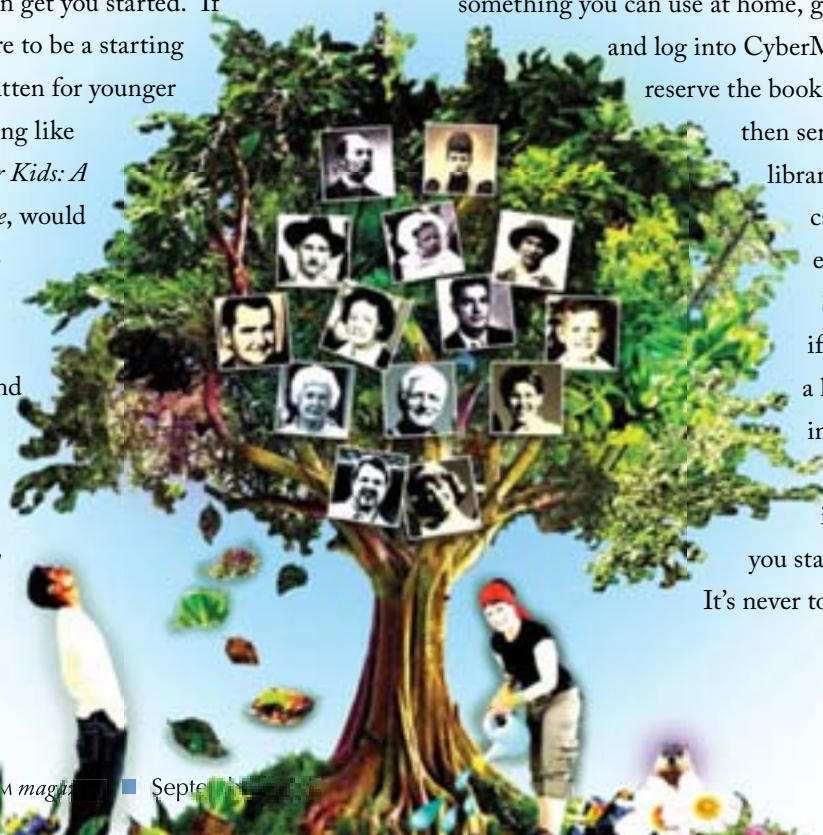
Much of the material that will help you along is cataloged as “Reference,” which means that you’ll have to use it in the library because it cannot be checked out, but when you find something you can use at home, get your library card ready

and log into CyberMars, our online catalog, and reserve the books you want to look at. We’ll then send them to whichever MLS library is closest to you and you can pick them up. It’s pretty easy.

So, if you’ve ever wondered if you’re related to a king or a horse thief, one of the early immigrant groups or one of the

Indian tribes, with our help it won’t take you long before you start on the road to finding out.

It’s never too late to begin.



SAMPLING OF ACTIVITIES

Kick-Off: Rose State (10/2)

Ray Bradbury Exhibit - Rose State

Banned Book Giveaway
Belle Isle Library 10/5

Book Discussions

Bethany Library: 10/2

Choctaw Library: 10/2 & 10/4

Warr Acres Library: 10/16

The Village Library: 10/20

Movie & Discussion

Edmond Library: 10/14

Downtown Library: 10/15

Firefighter Visit

Choctaw Library: 10/14

More events at:

www.metrolibrary.org/thebigreadokc



The Big Read

One of the most popular events during 2007, Oklahoma's Centennial Year, was Oklahoma Reads Oklahoma. Readers chose a series of books and those titles were then read by everyone who had signed up to be part of the program.

From September 28-October 31, your Metropolitan Library System will take part in a similar program, "The Big Read." People all across Oklahoma County will all read the same book and take part in book talk groups, as well as other ways in which the chosen novel can be discussed.

The book is the soft-science fiction classic, *Fahrenheit 451*, by Ray Bradbury. Originally published in 1953, the story is set in a time in the near future when being a "fireman" has a totally different meaning than it does now. Firemen of the future are responsible for burning books.

Bradbury said that he meant the novel to be a commentary on the way mass media has lessened the public's desire to read, reducing information to snippets of "factoids," but the novel has also been interpreted as an attack on censorship.

The Metropolitan Library System and Rose State College are sponsors of this national program and

will be hosting events all over Oklahoma County, such as discussion groups, exhibits, and movie nights to watch this classic starring Julie Christie.

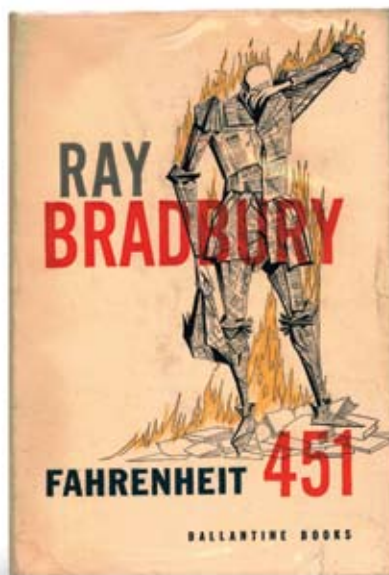
Join us for the Kick-Off at Rose State College Humanities Building on October 2 at 10:30am in Midwest City. Books will be distributed by local firemen. Dr. Terry Britton, RSC college president, will introduce the book and encourage everyone to read the book during October and participate in the book discussion on October 15.

We'll have more information about The Big Read during the month—but you can start reading *Fahrenheit 451* now.

And if you didn't know, paper bursts into flames when its temperature reaches 451 degrees Fahrenheit. Don't get burned.

Visit www.metrolibrary.org/thebigreadokc to find out where you can participate.

The Big Read is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services and Arts Midwest. For more information visit www.neabigread.org.



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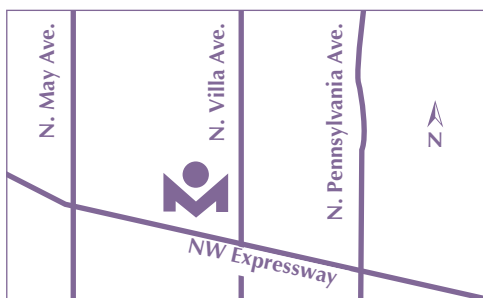
All MLS libraries will be closed August 31 and September 1, in observance of Labor Day.

Belle Isle Library

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

HOURS

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



Score Small Business Counseling

Sept 6, 20 | 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.

Children Reading to Dogs

Sept 8, 15, 22, 29 | Mon
6-7p

Ages 6 and older

Children may come on Monday evenings and read aloud to a special dog who is trained to listen. Sign-up when you get here.



Parent Talk

Sept 11 | Thur
12:30-3:30p

Adults

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. Parent Talk provides parents and caregivers individual appointments to talk about concerns, or ask questions about behavior and child development. For parents and caregivers of children 12 and younger. Call 425-4412 for an appointment. FREE.

Senior Coffee & Digital TV

Sept 16 | Tue | 9:30-10:30a
Seniors

The Digital TV Transition: What's it all about? On February 17, 2009 all full-power broadcast television stations in the United States will stop broadcasting on analog airwaves and begin broadcasting only in digital. Digital broadcasting will allow stations to offer improved picture and sound quality and additional channels. Find out more about whether or not you will be impacted by the digital TV (DTV) transition. Join us for coffee and refreshments sponsored by the Senior Resource Alliance and Belle Isle Library. Sign up by calling 843-9601, ext 3 or stop at the Reference Desk. Co-sponsor: Senior Resource Alliance.

Seniors can Wii!!

Sept 16 | Tue | 11a-3p
Seniors

Inviting all seniors, 50+ to join us and play Wii games - bowling, boxing, baseball, golf and other sports. We also have games to increase your mental facilities. So come out and meet other seniors like yourself, those who want to remain young at heart.

Metro OKC Knit Guild Group Meeting

Sept 21 | Sun | 3-5p
Teens and adults

The Metro OKC Knit Guild group is meeting at Belle Isle. Everyone--any knitter or a person who's never knitted, but would like to learn--is welcome. Each monthly program includes a lesson of a new knitting technique and examples of charity knitting projects. September's lesson is "Decrease Methods." For information about the group,

call 8485174 or e-mail metrookccknitguild@gmail.com

Workshop: Build Your Own Business

Sept 23 | Tue | 6:30-8:30p
Teens and older

Now is the time to start and manage a business of your own! Learn why business plans are important and where to find funding for your business at the BYOB-Build Your Own Business seminar. The seminar will be conducted by SCORE, 'Counselors to America's Small Business.' SCORE is a nonprofit organization dedicated to entrepreneur education and the formation, growth and success of small businesses nationwide. SCORE is a resource partner of the U.S. Small Business Administration. Call 843-9601 to pre-register.

Back to School

Sept 25 | Thur | 10-10:45a
Pre-kindergarten

Miss B will share stories about what to do when everyone but you is back in school. Pre-registration with the Belle Isle Reference Desk. 843-9601.



Concert: Cowboy Jim Garling and Prairie Moon

Sept 28 | Sun | 2-3p
All ages

Jim Garling along with Prairie Moon produces a sound reminiscent of the music of Sons of the Pioneers and other cowboys of the silver screen as well as new sounds of contemporary cowboy/western artists. Audiences will hear Jim's remarkable guitar skills and rich vocals. Prairie Moon also includes Dennis and Sally Gilstrap—Dennis on upright bass and Sally on mandolin. Although this group hasn't punched any doggies or moved cattle up the trails, they know about western music and how to lasso a melody with intricate and tight harmonies that tie it together in one remarkable performance that pleases audiences young and old.



The Romans Are Coming...

ROMAN ART FROM THE LOUVRE FAMILY DAY

Sunday, September 7 | **OKC Museum of Art (12pm - 4pm)**
Downtown Library (1pm - 4pm)

Join us for a celebration of the Glory that was Rome!
Enjoy face painting, hands-on art activities,
storytelling, video games, puppet show,
performances by Oklahoma Children's
Theatre and more fun surprises!



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Metropolitan Library | 300 Park Avenue | Oklahoma City, OK | (405) 231-8650 | www.metrolibrary.org

SeptemberFest 2008

At The Governor's Mansion

Join Spoticus and the Metropolitan Library at the Governor's Mansion for SeptemberFest—time to sit in the shade and listen to stories from around the world. Kids' performing favorites: Al Bostick, DWe Williams, Kelley Riha and Leslie Deer will share stories. There's so much to do at SeptemberFest so sunscreen the family, bring the strollers & don't forget Grandma!

Saturday, Sept. 6, 10a-4p
All Ages



Bethany Library

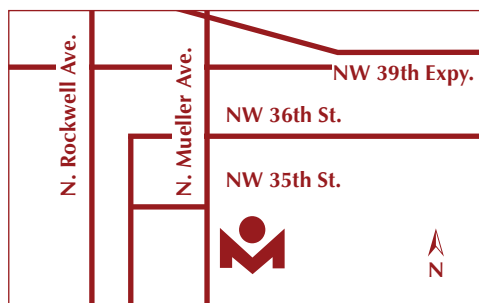
3501 N. Mueller, Bethany
(405) 789-8363

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5

Sun: Closed



Toddler Story and Playtime
Sept 4,18 | Thur | 9a-10:15a
and 10:30-11:15a
Ages 2-3

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



Parent Talk

Sept 8 | Mon | 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. Please call 425-4412 to register.



Tools for Effective Parenting
Sept 8,15,22,29 | Mon
6:30-7:30p

For parents/legal guardian

This five session course will help promote good parent-child relationships. You will be learning basic parenting skills including effective play, praising, limit setting, ignoring, time out, natural/logical consequences and problem solving. Classes will be led by Katherine Broekhuysen sponsored by Oklahoma City-County Health Dept. Pre-register at 425-4412. Co-Sponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Dept.



The Children's Hour:

Evening Story Time
Sept 9 | Tue | 6:30-7p
Ages 3-8

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



Get Your Free Health Screening

Sept 10 | Wed | 9:30-11a

Seniors

Anyone on Medicare is eligible for free blood sugar/cholesterol screening, blood pressure, from 9:30-10:30. Afterward, Debbie Metheny, OCC's dietician, will speak from 10:30-11 on healthy aging. Live better by staying healthy. We will have light healthy refreshments during the morning. Co-sponsor: OKC Clinic.

Fall Storytime

Sept 11,25 | 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.



AARP Defensive Driver's Course

Sept 13 | Sat | 9a-4:30p

Adults

Attention all drivers! AARP presents safe driving tips to help prevent and reduce the tragedy of injury and death for drivers. Participants may be able to get a discount on their insurance. Space is limited please pre-register at 789-8363 ext. 3. On the day of the course, each participant must bring \$10 cash or a check made out to AARP for course materials. Co-sponsor: AARP.

Build Your Own Business

Sept 16 | Tue | 6:30-8p

Teens and older

Now is the time to start and manage a business of your own! Learn why business plans are important and where to find funding for your business at the BYOB-Build Your Own Business seminar. The seminar will be conducted by SCORE, 'Counselors to America's Small Business.' SCORE is a nonprofit organization dedicated to entrepreneur education and the formation, growth and success of small businesses nationwide. SCORE is a resource partner of the U.S. Small Business Administration. Co-sponsor: Small Business Administration.

Landscaping for the Birds

Sept 18 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p

Adults

Susan Hill will give this presentation on which bushes and trees are for the birds. Fall is the perfect time to plant so join us for this program. Refreshments will be served after the program.

Coffee, Tea & Games
Sept 19 | Fri | 10-11:30a
Adults

On the third Friday morning of each month, all adults & seniors are invited to the Bethany Library for conversation and fun. We will furnish the drinks, snacks, dominoes, checkers, and Scrabble. You are welcome to bring a deck of cards. We will furnish tables for all games. We hope this invitation provides you with new and old friendships to share a morning activity each month. Dates include: 10/17, 11/21, 12/19.

Critter Tales
Sept 27 | Sat | 2-2:45p
and 3-3:45p
Ages 4-12

See live animals close up. Jennifer Lance will bring interesting animals to the library for you to see, touch and learn about. Choose the 2:00pm or 3:00pm show and pre-register at the Information Desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

Capitol Hill Library

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

HOURS

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



Storytime/Cuentos para niños
Sept 2,9,16,23,30 | Tue
10:30-11a
Pre-kindergarten

Stories in both English and Spanish Tuesday mornings. Cuentos para niños en inglés y español. Gratis.



Conversational Spanish
Sept 8,15,22 | Mon
5:30-7p
Adults

Conversational Spanish class for Fall 2008. This course is intended to teach basic Spanish speaking skills (Who, What, When, and Where). The class will meet for 13 sessions starting on Monday, September 8th, and will continue on Monday evenings until December 8th, 2008. This program requires pre-registration. Please call 634-



6308 to register for this course, or to find out more information about the class.

GameFest
Sept 11 | Thur | 5-7p
Ages 12-17

Got Game? Join fellow gamers in an evening of Wii, GameCube, and Playstation. Come show off your Guitar Hero skills or try your hand at Smash Brothers Melee and Mario Kart. Call 634-6308 for more information.



Drawing and Designing Comics
Sept 13 | Sat | 2-3p
All Ages

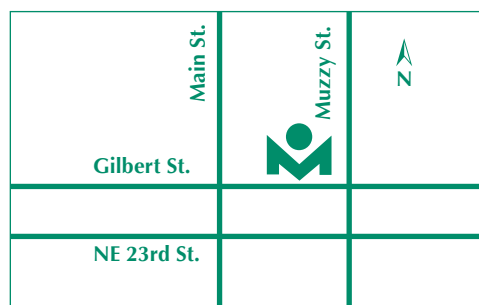
In this beginning level class Scott Delsigne will teach basic drawing techniques, and how to apply them to comic character creations. Call 634-6308 to register for this program.

Choctaw Library

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

HOURS

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



Lapsit Story Time
Sept 2,9,16,23,30 | Tue
9:30-10a
Ages 6 months-3 years

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



Preschool Story Time
Sept 2,9,16,23,30 | 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.



Choctaw Library's Pageturner's Club
Sept 6 | Sat | 10-11:30a
Adults

Choctaw Library Pageturner's Club meets once a month, usually the first Saturday. Please call early to find out the title of the book to be discussed.

Computer Q & A Day
Sept 6 | Sat | 2-3p
Adults

After a session on basic computer concepts, we will have a Q&A period. Pre-registration.



Child Guidance Parent Talk
Sept 8 | Mon | 12:30-4p
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. Please call 425-4421 to register.



Conversational Spanish
Sept 8,15,22,29 | Mon
5-6p
Teens and adults

Native speaker Maria Bozarth will lead these sessions. Pre-registration required.



Build Your Own Business
Sept 9 | Tue | 6-7:30p
Adults

Now is the time to start and manage a business of your own! Learn why business plans are important and where to find funding for your business at the BYOB-Build Your Own Business seminar. The seminar will be conducted by SCORE, 'Counselors to America's Small Business.' SCORE is a nonprofit organization dedicated to entrepreneur education and the formation, growth and success of small businesses nationwide. SCORE is a resource partner of the U.S. Small Business Administration. Call 390-8418 to pre-register.

T'ai Chi With Chris Francis-Beginner's Group
Sept 10,17,24 | Wed | 5:30-6:30-p
Ages 10-16

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.

T'ai Chi With Chris Francis-Intermediate-Advanced Group
Sept 10,17,24 | Wed | 6:30-7:30-p
Age 16 and older

Participants MUST have previous T'ai Chi experience to be enrolled in this class. Pre-registration required.

Choctaw Library continued.

Build a Space Reentry Vehicle

Sept 11 | Thur | 6-7p
Teens



Teens, come to the library and build your own space reentry vehicle (SRV). Use the provided materials to create an SRV that can land safely on the ground after its descent back to Earth. Keep the crew alive (keep the egg from breaking!) and win a prize!

Family Place: Open Play

Sept 13 | Sat | 10-11a
6 Months-5 years
with parent



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

BeTWEEN Books

Sept 13 | Sat | 2:30-3:30p
Grades 4-6

Share favorite reads and stretch your reading comfort zone. Participate in fun book related activities, games, and crafts. Pre-register at 390-8418.

Children Reading to Dogs

Sept 17 | Wed

5:30-6:30p

Children who can read



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

AARP Defensive Driver's Course

Sept 20 | Sat | 9:15a-4p

Adults

ALL LICENSED drivers, AARP presents safe driving tips to help prevent and reduce accidents on today's roads. The State of Oklahoma authorizes a discount lasting 3 years for any licensed driver aged 16 and up who successfully completes a defensive driver's course. Pre-register by calling 390-8418 or dropping by the Choctaw Library. The fee is \$10 in cash or a check payable to AARP for course materials. Refreshments will be provided. Co-sponsor: AARP.

Joy of Mozart: An Amazing Grace with Wayne McEvilly

Sept 23 | Tue | 6-7p

All ages

Pianist Wayne McEvilly will perform Mozart's Sonata No. 13 and 14.



Space Explorers

Sept 25 | Thur | 6-7p

K-3rd grade

Explore space with us. Join us for some fun space crafts and activities.

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play with Me

Sept 26 | Fri | 10-11a

10 Months-3 1/2 years

with Parents/Legal 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 children 10 months to 3 1/2 years of age and their parents/guardians. Pre-register for this program at the Reference Desk.

Parachute Play

Sept 29 | Mon | 10:30-11a

Ages 3-6



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. Class size is limited to 20. Facilitated by Cheryl Custer and Tracy Goebel. Call 425-4412 to register. Co-sponsor: OKC/County Health Dept.

Del City Library

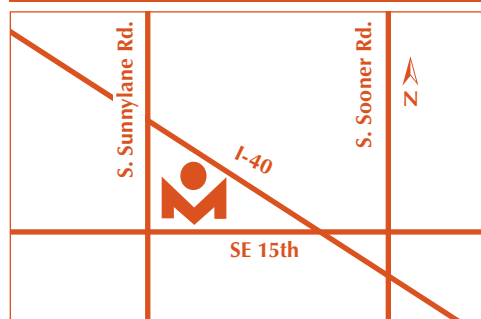
4509 S.E. 15th, Del City
(405) 672-1377

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5

Sun: Closed



Basic Computer Training

Sept 2,9,16 | Tue

6:30-7:30p

Sept 5,12 | Fri | 2-3p

All ages

Do you need to improve your computer skills? Sam Weehunt, Del City librarian,



offers basic computer training tailored to your individual needs. Sign up at the library or call 672-1377.

Parachute Play

Sept 8 | Mon | 10:30-11a

Ages 2-5 years

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



Child Guidance Parent Talk

Sept 8 | Mon | 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. Please call 425-4412 to register.



Flag Making Fun

Sept 11 | Thur | 6-7p

Ages 10-16

Teens, do you love flags? Want to create your own flag that represents you? Debbie Langston will show you how at the Del City library. The library will provide all the flag making supplies you will need.



Who Eats Who Storytime

Sept 23 | Tue | 6:30-7:15p

Ages 4-8

Who Eats Who Storytime with special guest, author Gwen Hooks, who will share nature stories and activities. And Gwen shares her newest book! Come join the fun!

Fall Stories

Sept 24 | Wed | 10-10:20a

Ages 1-5 years

Del City Library's morning storytime will have fall stories, activities and fun!



Play Time

Sept 25 | Thur | 10-11a

Ages 6 months-3 years

Young children will enjoy playing with toys provided by the library! Del City Firemen will share safety tips for parents and caregivers. Come join the fun!



Kiowa and Caddo Songs, Stories and Dance

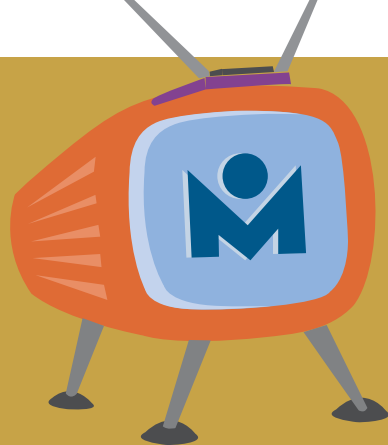
Sept 30 | Tue

6:30-7:30p

All ages

Kricket Rhoads will wear her traditional Kiowa regalia to the Del City Library.





Read About It

Discussions with Authors & Book Reviews

Cox Channel 7 (Oklahoma City Metro area)
Saturday mornings at 10:30am

OKLAHOMA CITY— Wrestling in Oklahoma, the benefits of tea, and a 1938 Kentucky fiction story 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.

September 6 Beverly Rorem, a freelance writer and novelist, will discuss *Passion for Tea: Its History, Its Future, Its Health Benefits*.

Guests and program schedules are subject to change without notice.

September 13 Carolyn Wall, local writing teacher, will discuss *Sweeping Up Glass*, her first novel.

September 20 Bob Burke, local attorney and award-winning author, will discuss *John Steinbeck Was Wrong About Oklahoma*.

September 27 Kim Parrish, a federal judge in Oklahoma City, will discuss *Cowboy Up: John Smith Leads the Legendary Oklahoma State Wrestlers to Their Greatest Season Ever*.

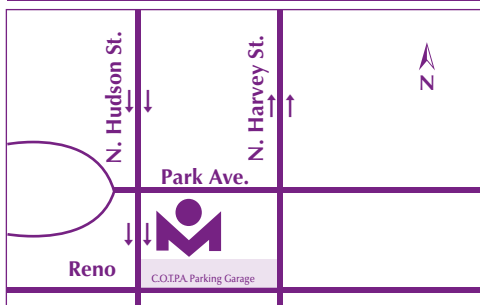
She will share Native American stories, songs, and dance. Audience participation is welcome.

Downtown Library

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

HOURS

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



Wednesday Night at the Movies

Sept 3,10,17,24 | Wed | 6-8p

All ages

Join the Downtown Library for Wednesday Night at the Movies! For more information call 606-3876. The September movie schedule is:

Sept 3: *The Day the Earth Stood Still* (G)
Sept 10: *Independence Day* (PG-13)

Sept 17: *Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl* (PG-13)

Sept 24: *Minority Report* (PG-13)

Noon Tunes

Sept 4,11,18,25 | Thur
11:30a-1p

All ages

Music in the Atrium! Enjoy high entertainment during lunch. Food is available for purchase in the 1st Edition Cafe. Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Metropolitan Library System. Performing music groups for September are:

Sept 4: *Larry Judd Pierce Jazz Combo*
Sept 11: *Oklahoma Strings*
Sept 18: *Buffalo Fitz*
Sept 25: *Tony Gonzales & the Norman North HS Jazz Choir*



PM Play With Me

Sept 4 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p
Infants-5 years w/adult

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



Back to School Video Game Day at the Library

Sept 6 | Sat | 1-4p
Elementary age

Just started and already got the back-to-

school blues? Well come down to the library and blow off some steam by playing Wii Boxing, racing around with Mario Kart, or just dancing out some of those back to school jitters with DDR. For further information please call the Downtown Library Children's Desk at 606-3862.

Family Place: 1-2-3 Play With Me

Sept 11,18,25 | Thur
6:30-7:30p

Infant-5 years with
parent/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 children 10 months to 3 1/2 years of age and their parents/guardians. Pre-register at the Children's Desk, 231-8650, ext 4.



The Joy of Mozart:

An Amazing Grace

Sept 14 | Sun | 2p
All ages

As part of the Second Sunday Series pianist Wayne McEvilly will perform Mozart's Sonatas 9 and 10. This concert is part of a series of Mozart concerts offered at several



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MLS locations through October. Admission is free. Seating is limited and begins at 1:30 pm in the 46th Star Auditorium.

Build Your Own Business

Sept 18 | Thur | 11:30a-1p
Teens and older

Now is the time to start and manage a business of your own! Learn why business plans are important and where to find funding for your business at the BYOB-Build Your Own Business seminar. The seminar will be conducted by SCORE, 'Counselors to America's Small Business.' SCORE is a nonprofit organization dedicated to entrepreneur education and the formation, growth and success of small businesses nationwide. SCORE is a resource partner of the U.S. Small Business Administration. Call 843-9601 to pre-register.

Child Guidance Parent Talk

Sept 25 | Thur | 9a-Noon
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. Call 425-4412 for more information. Co-sponsor: OKC/County Health Department.



How to Create a Family Newsletter with Microsoft Word

Sept 27 | Sat | 2-4p
Adults

Publishing a family newsletter is a great way to keep in touch and preserve family history. Distributing it by e-mail makes it fast and inexpensive. Let us show you how to create a newsletter using Microsoft Word. Seating is limited. Please call 606-3856 to reserve a seat.

Modern Marvels: Jewish Adventures in the Graphic Novel

Sept 29 | Mon | 7-8:30p
Adults

The Downtown Library continues its series of book discussions utilizing graphic novels. Modern Marvels: Jewish Adventures in the Graphic Novel is a series that includes five Jewish artists' experiment with words and pictures to tell stories of childhood, war, and desire; to conjure up lost worlds, both real and imaginary; and to contemplate history, myth, and the individual psyche. Led by scholar Orit Rabkin, OU doctoral candidate in American Literature and is part of the American Library Association "Let's Talk About It" project. The Sept. 29 Graphic Novel is: *Julius Knipf, Real Estate Photographer* by Ben Katchor. Call Darlene Browers, 606-3878, for more information.



Edmond Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6

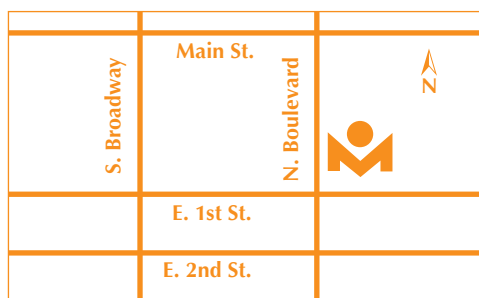


Exhibit – Dog Ears: Companion Dogs for the Hearing-Impaired

Sept 2-30, Library Hours
All Ages

Storm sirens, smoke alarms, alarm clocks, all require our immediate attention, but what if one cannot hear? The DECDHI display, held Sept 2-Sept 30, will enlighten you about the special and unique dogs who bridge the sound gap and help those who live in a visual world regain independence.

Lapsit, Playtime and Storytime

Sept 2,9,16,23 | Tue
9:30-10a, 10:15-10:45a
and 11-11:30a

Ages Birth-2 Years

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



Chess Club for Kids

Sept 2,16 | Tue | 3:30-5p
Grade School-7th Grade

The Edmond Library Chess Club is a place where beginning chess players can learn and improve their skills. There will be a once a school year \$20 supplies fee. Because of limited space, kids who wish to become members must e-mail the club founder Connie Hong first, at chong@gmail.com. Ms. Hong is the coach for these sessions.



55+ Coffee Break

Sept 3,10,17,24 | Wed | 9:30-11a
Seniors

Come to the Edmond Library for a coffee break made just for you. Coffee, tea and hot chocolate will be served along with light refreshments. Talk about your favorite books, work on a puzzle, play chess, checkers,

Chinese checkers or bring your own game. We will have some books on a cart for you to browse and check out. Sign our guest book and sign up for the door prize drawings.

Computer Instruction with Eddie

Sept 3,10,17,24 | Wed
1-5p

Ages 18 & older

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



Children Reading to Dogs

Sept 4,11,18,25 | Thur
6-7:30p

Children who can read

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



Stamp Club

Sept 6,20 | Sat | 10a-Noon
4th Grade and older

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

Farsi Language Class

Sept 7,14,21,28 | Sun
1:30-2:30p

Adults

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



Preschool Storytime

Sept 8,15,22,29 | Mon
10-10:30a

Ages 3-6

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



BYOB

Build Your Own Business

Learn about starting a business in Oklahoma, the factors leading to success and financing. Attend this seminar sponsored by the U.S. Small Business Administration and SCORE, "Counselors to America's Small Business."

9/9	Choctaw Library	6:00pm
9/16	Bethany Library	6:30pm
9/18	Downtown Library	11:30am
9/23	Belle Isle Library	6:30pm



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Parent Talk

Sept 10 | Wed | 10:30a-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. By appointment only! Call Child Guidance at 425-4412. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Music With Susan

Sept 12, 26 | Fri | 9:30-10a or 10:15-10:45a
Ages 2-3



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

Music With Susan

Sept 12, 26 | Fri
11-11:30a
Ages 4-5



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

Discovering Dinosaurs: Story Time with Angela

Sept 13 | Sat | 10:30-11:15a
Ages 4-6



Calling all future archeologists and dinosaur hunters. Join Miss Angela for a story and craft time featuring dinosaur stories, and you'll make your own fossil. Register at the library or call 341-9282, ext 4, beginning September 2.

Reader's Choice Book Discussion

Sept 13 | Sat | 10:30a-Noon
Seniors

The Readers' Choice Book Discussion group meets once a month at the Edmond Library. The title for this month is *White Ghost Girls* by Alice Greenway. Reserve your copy at the library. Questions? Call 341-9282.

Basic Computers for Seniors

Sept 13 | Sat | 2-3p
Adults



This free basic computer class is geared toward Seniors who know nothing about the world of computing. Call 341-9282, ext 4 to register.

Edmond Book Bunch Discussion Group

Sept 13 | Sat | 2-3:30p
Seniors

The Edmond Book Bunch meets once a month at the Edmond Library. The title for this month's discussion is *People of the Book* by Geraldine Brooks. Although the group is currently full please call 341-9282 to get on the waiting list after Aug. 9. (Limited to 15.)

AARP Defensive Driver's Course

Sept 16 | Sat | 9:30a-4p
Adults

Attention ALL drivers! AARP presents safe driving tips to help prevent and reduce the tragedy of injury and death for drivers on today's roads. Participants are eligible for a discount on your auto insurance premium. The State of Oklahoma authorizes a discount lasting 3 years for any licensed driver aged 16 and older who successfully completes a defensive driver's course. Please pre-register by calling 341-9282. Each participant must bring, on the day of the course, \$10 in cash or a check to AARP for course materials.

Sustainable Edmond

Sept 16 | Tue | 7-9p
Adults

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

Stuttering and Self-Esteem

Sept 17 | Wed | 2:30-4p
Parents of young children



With young children, stuttering (or disfluency) can be a normal stage of development. The disfluency itself and the way people react to it can affect a child's self esteem. Self esteem plays a huge roll in behavior, relationships and success in every area of life. Let's discuss some misunderstandings about stuttering and ways to boost our children's self esteem. Consultants: Robyn Sears, Ms., CCPS, CFLE Child Guidance at 425-4412 to pre-register. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

So Many Books, So Little Time Story Hour

Sept 18 | Thur | 3:30-4:30p
Grades 1-3

Join us for a story time devoted to our favorite authors or special themes. We'll have stories to read or tell and activities or crafts to go along with them. Pre-register by calling 341-9282 x 4 or stop by the Children's Desk at the library.

The Joy of Mozart:

An Amazing Grace

Sept 20 | Sat | 2-3p
All ages



Wayne McEvilly, well-known to Oklahoma audiences through his classical piano performances, will perform Mozart Sonata's No. 11 and 12. McEvilly has produced a series of CDs that help promote appreciation of classical music by children. Please share an inspiring afternoon of piano with Mr. McEvilly and the library staff. A reception will follow the performance.

Edmond Living History Social:

Sunday Afternoon in Stephenson Park

Sept 21 | Sun | 2-5p



Come to Stephenson Park at 5th Street and S. Boulevard in Edmond to celebrate the contributions our senior citizens have made to the Edmond community with an old fashioned ice cream social and award ceremony for all ages. Mayor Dan O'Neil will be on hand to welcome you to the event. Enjoy popcorn, lemonade, and other treats as you listen to a barbershop quartet, watch a flyball (dog tricks) demonstration, or play an old-fashioned game. Win the cakewalk, and take home a fresh cake! FREE to the public, and all ages are welcome. For more information, or to submit a nomination form, call Karen at 606-3401. Co-sponsors: Edmond Senior Community Foundation, Edmond Historical Society Museum, and University of Central Oklahoma Gerontology Program.

Learning to Speak Alzheimer's

Sept 25 | Thur | 10-11:30a
All ages

If you are caring for someone who is living with Alzheimer's or another memory loss disorder, we encourage you to attend this free program. The following topics will be included: Understanding Alzheimer's, Warning Signs, Risk Factors, Care Giving Issues, Available Resources., the 10 Warning Signs, and more. It is anticipated that 1 in 8 baby boomers will be struck by this disease. Free program presented by Central Oklahoma Alzheimer's Association. Call 341-9282 to pre-register. Co-Sponsor: Oklahoma Regional Alzheimer's Association

Readers' Theatre: Acting Without Memorizing

Sept 25 | Thur | 3:30-4:30p
Age 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 pre-register by calling 341-9282, x 4 or stop by the Children's Desk at the library.

Advanced Basic Computers for Seniors

Sept 27 | Sat | 2-3p
Adults



Prerequisite - Basic Computers for Seniors
This is an advanced basic computer class for Seniors who would like to learn more about the world of computing. The best part of this class is that it is free. Please call 341-9281, ext. 4 to register.

Lapsit, Playtime and TODDLEROBICS

Sept 30 | Tue
9:30-10a, 10:15-10:45a
and 11-11:30a
Ages Birth-2 Years



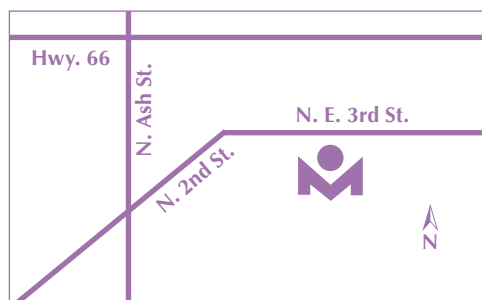
Enjoy a special time with your young child at the library. We will have a playtime with the toys in the story time room. This is followed by a session of Toddlerobics that emphasizes movement with music.

Luther Library

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

HOURS

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



Gamefest

Sept 24 | Wed | 3-5p
Teens



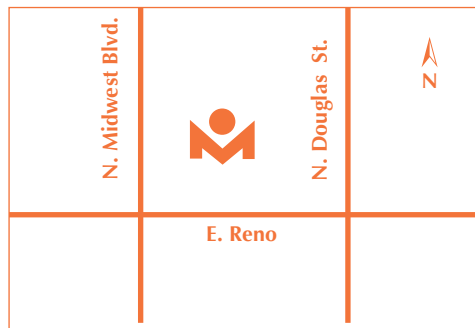
Bring your friends and come play video games at the library! Our games include Guitar Hero, DDR, MarioKart, Rock Band, Super Smash Bros and more. Games are rated E, E10+, and T.

Midwest City Library

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

HOURS

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



Woodcarvers' Demonstration

Aug 30 | Sat | 9a-4p
All Ages

Members of the OKC Woodcarvers Club will demonstrate their handwork on Saturday, August 30 in the lobby of the Midwest City Library. An exhibit of their work will be on display in the Lobby Gallery throughout the month of September.

Exhibit: Woodcarvers of Oklahoma City
Aug 30-Sept 30 | Library Hours

All Ages

The Woodcarvers of Oklahoma City will exhibit their work in the Lobby Gallery at the Midwest City Library throughout the month of September. A live demonstration will be held on Saturday, August 30 in the lobby of the library.

Exhibit: Original Artwork of Jim Loafman
Sept 2-30 | Library Hours

All Ages

The Midwest City Library is pleased to host an exhibit of original artwork by local resident Jim Loafman. The themes of Mr. Loafman's paintings range from landscapes to wildlife and include western and nostalgic scenes. The exhibit will be on display in the Lobby Gallery throughout the month of September.

Mid-Del Toastmasters

Sept 2,9,16,23,30 | Tue | 6-8p
Adults

If you are like most people, public speaking is not your favorite pastime. Surveys show that presentation skills are crucial to success in the work place. Toastmasters International provides a way to practice & hone the communication & leadership skills of its members. To learn more or to register,

contact Jackie Wright at (405) 808-6834 or Dan O'Neil at (405) 204-7154. Co-sponsor: Mid-Del Toastmasters.

Parachute Play

Sept 3 | 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 limited to 20. Call 425-4412 to pre-register. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Dept.

Within My Reach

Sept 3,10 | Wed | 6-8:15p
Adults

Put your relationships on the right track with this fun and informative program for individuals! Are you ready to learn how to choose romantic partners wisely, reduce misunderstandings at work and home, and create a home that helps children succeed? If so, Within My Reach is for you! Wednesdays, Aug 6 - Sept 10. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma Marriage Initiative.

Scottish Gaelic Language Learner's Group

Sept 3,17 | Wed | 7-8:30p
Ages 10 & older



This free program provides an opportunity for beginners to observe language lessons & interaction of more advanced students. Questions? Call Judy Durbin at 737-5140. Co-sponsor: Scottish Gaelic Language Learner's Group.

Book Bug Club

Sept 4 | Thur | 4-5p
Ages 1-3

Join us in the Book Bug Club! We will have a snack, play a game and make a craft. We will be discussing the Junie B. Jones series by Barbara Parks. You can pick up a book from this series at the Information Desk. Pre-registration is required. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.

Alternative Energy Panel Discussion

Sept 6 | Sat | 10a-1p
Adults

Local discussion forum on wind power in Oklahoma. Panel members will include professionals from OG&E, commercial manufacturing of wind turbines, lobbying efforts, and more. Information for attendees with knowledge ranging from general to technical. Co-sponsor: Sustainable Eastern Oklahoma County.

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Community Quilting Class with Soldier Creek Quilting Group Sept 8,15,22,29 | Mon | 9:15a-1:30p Adults

Come join the Soldier Creek Quilting Group and watch as members of this group apply their skills to perpetuate this art form. Quilting group members will assist quilting artisans with various techniques.

A supply list is available at the Information Desk. Interested? Questions? Contact Mary Okulski at 733-0564 for more information. Co-sponsor: Soldier Creek Quilting Group.

Preschool Storytime Sept 8,15,22 | Mon 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! All children should be accompanied by an adult. Pre-registration is required. Please call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.

Be Healthy! Age Well! Sept 9 | Tue | 10-11:30a Seniors

September is "Healthy Aging Month"! Oklahoma City Clinic's Dietician, Debbie Metheny, will be giving an informative presentation to all seniors on aging in a healthy way through everyday lifestyle choices. Oklahoma City Clinic has a location in your neighborhood, and they provide primary and preventive care to Medicare eligible seniors including treatment of chronic conditions such as diabetes, hypertension and cholesterol. Education is key to healthy aging, so be sure to join us! Co-sponsor: OKC Clinic.

Children Reading to Dogs Sept 9 | Tue | 7-7:30p Children who can read



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

Better Investing Sept 10 | Wed | 6:30-8:30p Adults

This program offers an introduction to better investing and teaches how to start an investment club. BetterInvesting is a non-profit,

member driven, volunteer-based organization committed to empowering its members to become successful long-term investors. Take control of your financial future by forming or joining an investment club. Co-sponsor: BetterInvesting.

Talk It Up! Book Club Sept 11 | Thur | 4-5p Grades 4-6

Join us in the Talk It Up! Book Club! We will have a snack, play a game and make a craft! We will be discussing *Alcatraz vs. the Evil Librarians* by Brandon Sanderson. You can pick up a copy of the book at the Information Desk. Pre-registration is required. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.

Hunter Safety Education Sept 13 | Sat | 9a-2:30p 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.

Building Blocks of Reading Sept 17 | Wed | 2:30-3:30p For parents of young children



In order for young children to become skilled and confident readers, we know that they need many experiences before going to school. This workshop will explore the necessary building blocks and the parent's role in helping children to become readers. Call 425-4412 to register. Facilitated by Tracy Goebel and Cheryl Custer. Co-sponsor: OKC/County Health Department.

Metropolitan Library Commission of Oklahoma County Sept 18 | Thur | 3:30-5p



Midwest City Library
8143 E. Reno
Midwest City, OK 73110
405.732.4828

The public is welcome to attend.

Philosopher's Cafe Sept 18 | Thur | 4-5p Grades 3-6

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

AAA Motor Vehicle Crash Prevention Course Sept 20 | 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 small materials fee will apply; AAA members will receive a discount. Pre-registration is required. Call Becci at (800) AAA-CLUB (222-2582). Co-sponsor: AAA.

Child Guidance Parent Talk Sept 22 | Mon | 12:45-4p Parents and caregivers of young children



Sessions include discussion about the normal range of early development as well as any parenting questions you may have in the areas of speech, language, development and behavior. Call 425-4412 to schedule an appointment. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Department.

Good Night! Kids and Sleep Sept 22 | Mon 5:30-6:30p Parents and caregivers of young children



Good Night or Bedtime Battle?? We will focus on the importance of routines for bedtime, normal expectations at different ages, and how our schedule during the day affects sleep at night. Suggestions to help children develop good sleep patterns will be discussed. Call 425-4412 to register. Co-sponsor: OKC/County Health Department.

Social Security Online Services Sept 23 | Tue | 10-11:30a Adults and seniors

This program will teach you new ways to conduct business with Social Security on your personal computer and save valuable time and gas money. You will also have an opportunity to speak with a Social Security representative to ask questions about retirement planning. Co-sponsor: Social Security Administration.

Trip Around the World: Latin America
Sept 25 | Thur | 6-7:30p
Grades 3 through 6

Don't miss this exciting opportunity to travel the globe right in your very own local library. The Junior League of Oklahoma City and World Neighbors are teaming up to offer innovative and hands-on experiences for children in grades third through sixth. They 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-sponsors: Junior League of Oklahoma City and World Neighbors.

Pajama Story Night
Sept 25 | Thur | 6:30-7p
Ages 2-8 with parents



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

Toddler Aerobics
Sept 29 | Mon | 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. Pre-registration is required and begins one week before the scheduled program. Call 732-4828 or sign up at the Information Desk.

Nicoma Park Library

2240 Overholser, Nicoma Park
 (405) 769-9452

HOURS

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



Choctaw International Women's Aglow
Sept 13 | Sat | 9:40a-Noon
Adult women

The inter-denominational meeting of the Choctaw International Women's Aglow

meets every second Saturday from 9:40am-noon. Inspirational speakers, fellowship and refreshments. For more information call 371-7316 or 677-8909.

Ladies Craft Day
Sept 30 | Tue | 10a-Noon
Adult women

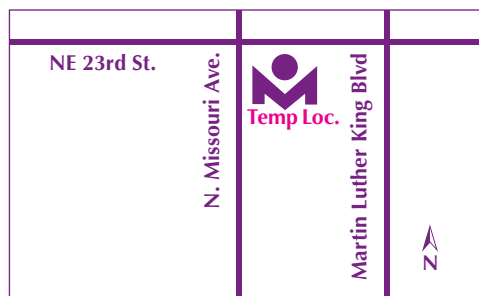
Women of all ages come together the last Tuesday of each month to create craft items suitable for the season. We'll be working toward Christmas this month. Call 769-9452 for more information.

Ralph Ellison Library Temporary

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

HOURS

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



The Ralph Ellison Library will undergo a significant renovation to improve services. The temporary library is located at 1918 N.E. 23rd (site of the former Hollywood Video.) Ralph Ellison Library will remain in that location for approximately one year.

Basic Computers 101
Sept 2-30 | Library Hours
All ages



Do you need help with basic computer skills? Schedule one-on-one computer time. If interested, contact the library at 424-1437 to schedule your time.

Southern Oaks Library

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

HOURS

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



Family Place:
1-2-3 Play With Me
Sept 3,10,17,24 | Wed
10-11a



Ages 10 months-3 1/2 years with parents

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

Anime Club
Sept 3,17 | Wed
6:30-7:30p
Teens



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

Parachute Play
Sept 4 | Thur | 10:30-11a
Ages 3-6 with parents



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: OKC/County Health Dept.

Child Guidance Parent Talk
Sept 4 | Thur | 12:45-4p
For parents and caregivers of young children



Sessions include discussion about the normal

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range of early development, as well as any parenting questions you may have in the areas of speech, language, development, and behavior. Call 425-4412 to make an appointment.

Babar and Me Yoga
Sept 8,15,22,29 | Mon
10:30-11:15a

Ages 2-5 years

Fun and gentle yoga for little ones and their parent(s). 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.



Southern Oaks Book Club
Sept 9 | Tue | 11:30-12:30a
Adults

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

Kids Create
Sept 9 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p
Kids ages 8-12

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

Talk Like a Pirate Day
Sept 18 | Thur | 6-8:30p
All ages

Come celebrate Talk like a Pirate Day with a real pirate adventure. This year's festivities include a costume contest, a pirate scavenger hunt, prizes, games, fun and more. Free food, festivities, festoons, and pirate vernacular. What else do you need...Matey! Call 631-4468 for more information.

Camp Fire USA Recruitment Meeting
Sept 23 | Tue | 7-8p
All ages

Camp Fire USA creates caring, confident youth and future leaders. Camp Fire USA brings boys and girls, grades PreK thru 12 together in one organization which allows parents to combine schedules for both daughters and sons. If you are interested in learning how you and your family can become a part of Camp Fire USA, please plan to attend this informative meeting. Co-sponsor: Camp Fire USA.

Homework Help
Sept 30 | Tue | 4-6p
Grades 1-5

Do you know someone who need help with those last minute papers and tests? or maybe

they just bringing up their reading scores? High school and college students will be available to answer questions or read with young people. Please pre-register. Co-sponsor: Southern Oaks Library Teen Advisory Board.

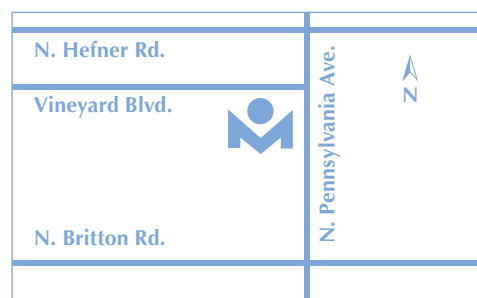
The Village Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed



Children Reading to Dogs
Sept 4,11,18 | Thur
3:30-4:30p

Children who can read

Come and read to a dog! Readers can come to practice and improve their out-loud 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. Please pre-register at the Information desk or call 755-0710.



Learning to Speak Alzheimer's
Sept 5 | Fri | 11:30a-1p
All ages

If you are caring for someone who is living with Alzheimer's or another memory loss disorder, we encourage you to attend this free program. The following topics will be included: Understanding Alzheimer's, Warning Signs, Risk Factors, Care Giving Issues, Available Resources, the 10 Warning Signs, and more. It is anticipated that 1 in 8 baby boomers will be struck by this disease. Free program presented by Central Oklahoma Alzheimer's Association. Call 755-0710 to pre-register.

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

Free individualized instruction in Microsoft Excel. Learn to create workbooks and spreadsheets, use formulas and functions, format data, create charts, and more. Monday evenings from



6:30 to 8:30 pm. Scheduled in 30 minute to one hour sessions per individual. Come in or call to reserve your time (405) 755-0710.

Story Time
Sept 9,16 | Tue | 12:45-4p
Ages 2-5

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



Child Guidance Parent Talk
Sept 9 | Tue | 12:45-4p
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. Please call 425-4366 to make an appointment.



Good Night! Kids and Sleep
Sept 9 | Tue | 5:30-6:30p
Parents and Caregivers of Young Children

Good Night or Bedtime Battle? We will focus on the importance of routines for bedtime, normal expectations at different ages, and how our schedule during the day affects sleep at night. Suggestions to help children develop good sleep patterns will be discussed. Facilitated by Sarita Naegeli. Call 425-4366 to make an appointment.



Trip Around the World: Latin America
Sept 13 | Sat | 2-3:30p
Grades 3 through 6

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Anime Club
Sept 18 | Thur | 4-5p
Teens

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



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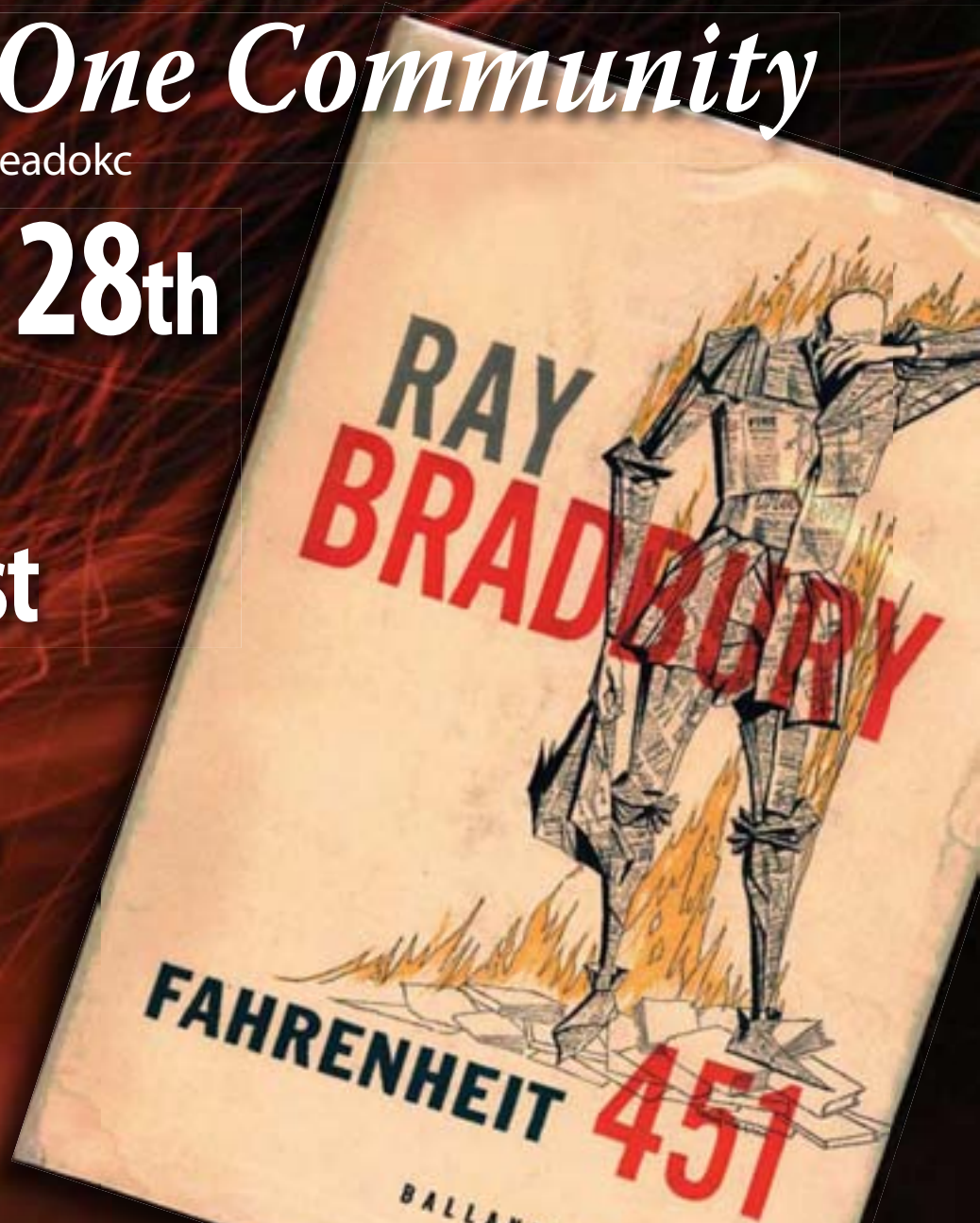
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Internet Basics for Adults Sept 18 | Thur | 6:30-8p Adults



Learn how to access the Internet from the library computers. Take a look at the home pages of Internet servers such as AOL, MSN, Cox and others. Learn to use search engines such as Google and Yahoo. Learn how to access the Metrolibrary Home Page from home, school or work to use library services via the Internet. Come in or call to sign-up. Village Library (405) 755-0710.

Knitty Committee

Sept 20 | Sat | 10-11a
All Ages

Interested in knitting or learning how to knit? Join the Knitty Committee at the Village Library on Sept 20 at 10am. Bring your yarn and join the fun!

Building Blocks of Reading Sept 30 | Tue | 2:30-3:30p For parents and caregivers of young children



For parents and caregivers of young children. In order for young children to become skilled and confident readers, we know that they need many experiences before going to school. This workshop will explore the necessary building blocks and the parent's role in helping children to become readers. Facilitated by Tracy Goebel & Cheryl Custer. Please call 425-4366 to make an appointment.

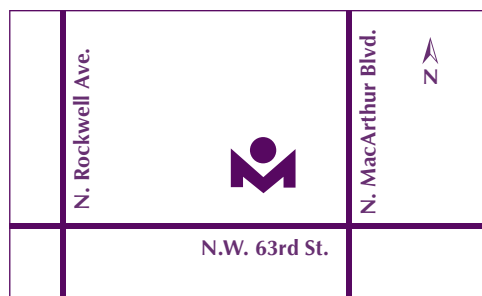
Warr Acres Library

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

HOURS

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

Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed



Child Guidance Parent Talk Sept 5 | Fri | 9a-4p For parents & caregivers of young children



Sessions include discussion about the normal range of early development, as well as any par-

enting questions you may have in the areas of speech, language, development, and behavior. Call 425-4412 to make an appointment.

Book Club

Sept 8 | Mon | 11a-Noon
Adults

The Warr Acres Library Book Club meets the second Monday of each month. This month we will discuss *The Secret Life of Bees*.

Music Play with Ms. Susan

Sept 9,23 | Tue
10:30-11a

2 1/2 to 5 year olds

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



Play Time for Babies and Tots

Sept 10,17,24 | Wed
9:15-10a and 10:30-11:15a

2 1/2 to 5 year olds

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



Children Reading to Dogs

Sept 11 | Thur

6:30-7:30p

6 years and older

Loveable 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 by Therapy Dogs International. Children will read 5-10 minutes each. Please pre-register.



The Joy of Mozart:

An Amazing Grace

Sept 13 | Sat | 2-3p

All Ages

Pianist Wayne McEvilly will perform Mozart's Sonata No. 8. Bring the whole family to enjoy an hour of extraordinary piano music.



Coffee Break

Sept 15 | Mon | 9:30-10:30a

Adults

Join us for coffee and conversation in a relaxed, informal setting. Coffee and light refreshments will be served in our meeting room. Bring a friend or come meet someone new at the library.

Toileting Triumph

Sept 16 | Tue | 2:30-4p
Adults



With the development of new language skills and activity level, come many challenges; toileting doesn't have to be one of those challenges. Come and discuss ways to make this stage more fun and rewarding for the whole family.

Magazines and Journals at Your Fingertips!

Sept 16 | Tue | 7-8p
Adults

Join a demonstration of the Ebsco-Host databases in our meeting room. We will focus on finding magazine and journal articles. These databases are available through the Internet, and you may access the databases through the library's computers, website (www.metrolibrary.org) or through our free wireless hotspot service. Please call 721-2616 to register.

Game Night

Sept 18 | Thur | 7-8:30p
Ages 12-17



Teens

Come join us for Rock Band, Super Smash Brothers, and more! Please call ahead to register.

Attics & Basements & Closets, Oh My!

Sept 27 | Sat | 2-3p
Adults

Karen Horner of Karen's Professional Services will be giving a workshop on organizing those specific tough spots around the house. Space is limited to 15 people. Please call 721-2616 to sign up.

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2008 CALENDAR



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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

Off the Beaten Path

... Discovering New Literary Treasures

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

Fahrenheit 451 [sound recording]

SCIENCE/FICTION/BRA/COMPACT/DISC

In Ray Bradbury's famous science fiction tale, a fireman in charge of burning books meets a revolutionary school teacher who dares to read. The story depicts a future world in which all printed reading material is banned.

Fahrenheit 451 [videorecording]

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Directed by French auteur Francois Truffaut, this is the movie version of Bradbury's dystopian view of the near future. "You don't have to burn books to destroy a culture," Bradbury wrote. "Just get people to stop reading them." This is what our world might be like if the author's vision is too clear-sighted.



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MLS LIBRARIES

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BETHANY 3510 N. Mueller, Bethany, 789-8363	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	—
CAPITOL HILL 334 S.W. 26th, OKC, 634-6308	9-8	9-8	9-8	9-8	9-6	9-5	—
CHOCTAW 2525 Muzzy Street, Choctaw, 390-8418	9-8	9-8	9-8	9-8	9-6	9-5	—
DEL CITY 4509 S.E. 15th, Del City, 672-1377	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	—
DOWNTOWN 300 Park Ave., OKC, 231-8650	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
EDMOND 10 S. Boulevard, Edmond, 341-9282	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
MIDWEST CITY 8143 E. Reno, MWC, 732-4828	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
RALPH ELLISON** OKC, 424-1437	9-8	9-8	9-8	9-8	9-6	9-5	—
SOUTHERN OAKS 6900 S. Walker, OKC, 631-4468	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
THE VILLAGE 10307 N. Pennsylvania Avenue, The Village, 755-0710	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	—
WARR ACRES 5901 N.W. 63rd, Warr Acres, 721-2616	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	—

**The Ralph Ellison location at 2000 NE 23rd will close on August 4 for renovation. A temporary location at 1918 NE 23rd will open on August 18.

MLS EXTENSION LIBRARIES*

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*JONES	111 E. Main, Jones, 399-5471			—	9:30-5:30	—	9:30-5:30	—	1-5	—
*LUTHER	310 N.E. 3rd, Luther, 277-9967			9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9-5	9-5	—
*NICOMA PARK	2240 Overholser, Nicoma Park, 769-9452			—	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9-5	9-5	—
*WRIGHT	2101 Exchange, OKC, 235-5035			—	10-5:30	10-5:30	10-5:30	10-3	10-3	—

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