

OFF THE

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Welcome... to Jurassic Library!



The Friends of the Duncan Public Library and the Duncan Public Library invite the community to the 3rd Annual Light the Library event on **Friday, November 7th**. There's lots of fun to be had, starting at **5:30pm playing games on the lawn**. Around **6:00pm**, the Duncan Little Theater will perform carols and elves will mingle with the crowd. The Friends will lead children in a craft as well! Participate in the silent auction and bake sale to help the Friends raise money. Around **6:45pm**, the First Presbyterian Church Bells will play some more beautiful live music. Then at **7:00pm**, we'll announce the dessert auction winners and **Light The Lights!** This event will kick off the library's seasonal programs! Look forward to Cookie Decorating, the Hot Cocoa Bar, wintery story times, and more this season. "Events like these are made possible with the help of the Friends of the Duncan Public Library; we couldn't do it without them. If you think of a cool thing you got to do at the library, it was because of the Friends. I don't know where we'd be without their enthusiasm and willingness to help. We couldn't ask for a better Friends group," says Jessica Allmon, Outreach Coordinator.

TRIVIA NIGHT!

Wicked Trivia @ Kochendorfers
Friday, November 14th @ 7:00 PM
1155 McCurdy Rd, Duncan, OK 73533

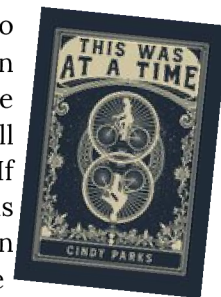


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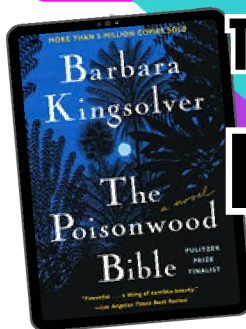
It's the library's favorite month, so we will be showing some dinosaur movies during Thanksgiving Break! Take this month to learn more about dinosaurs. Typing "dinosaurs" into Kanopy's search gives many results, including BBC documentaries, *The Great Courses* series by the Smithsonian, read-along books in Kanopy kids, and episodes of beloved cartoons like Franklin. Kanopy is free with your Duncan Public Library card.

CINDY PARKS

Local author, Cindy Parks will be here to discuss her book *This Was at a Time* on **November 20th from 4:30 to 6:30 pm**. She will have copies of her books for sale, will sign books, and will answer questions! If you have ever met Cindy, you know she is a delightful human being and can entertain for hours, so she will also share her music with us! Be sure not to miss out on the chance to hear Cindy talk about her life with us in person, through the pages of her book, and with the strings of her guitar. Come hang out with Cindy and get a copy of her book. Don't forget the holidays are coming up! You know someone who would love this book for Christmas!



IT WAS THE 90S! BOOK CLUB



THE POISONWOOD BIBLE
THURSDAY,
NOVEMBER 13TH

5:30 - 6:30 PM

@ Duncan Public Library

ARRIVING SOON?

A note about the loss of Baker & Taylor

If you are not immersed in the library world, you may not be aware that one of the largest book vendors, Baker & Taylor, has ceased operations. Many libraries relied on this vendor for their collection development because of their ability to give libraries what they needed: a large selection, an easy-to-use interface, curated book lists, discounts, and the ability to process items in the ways each library needed. While we do have other vendors that we use to supplement, Baker & Taylor was our main supplier. So this means we are among the libraries being forced into an abrupt change! This means setting up new accounts, learning new interfaces, connecting our current catalog to different systems, and more! How does all this affect you? Well, this section of the newsletter usually shows you titles based on Baker & Taylor's "Automatically Yours" list. We didn't have to remember to order the latest Patterson, Steel, Grisham, or Johnstone, we just had them on a list of authors to always send us, and they did! Also, when this vendor went down, we had books that had been ordered that are now "backordered" but will never come, so we are actively working to find other ways to get those items we thought we had already ordered. It may take us longer to get some of the newer books and for us to work some kinks out of a new system after decades of using this trusted company that had existed since 1828! Please be patient as we try new things!

ILL can be used for older books, shipped to us for a small fee! Fill out the form online or at circulation!

The FOL Files...

Find the Friends in the Wild!

We hope you've been seeing us in the wild! The Friends of the Duncan Public Library has been popping up in the community a lot more lately. Most recently, we had a booth at the Main Street Fall Fest, where we met a lot of people, raised a little money, and made some new Friends!

We are helping the library hand out candy and toys for Cart o' Treat, and we also set up two beautiful ofrendas in the World Languages and Citizenship Corner sections on the 2nd floor, and in the children's section on the 1st floor. These ofrendas will be up for a little while to help educate the community about other cultures and their special days. Educational information is provided, along with color sheets and skeletons to decorate!

The front cover of this newsletter tells you all about our Light the Library celebration! Join us on Nov. 7 for yummy food, beautiful music, and a lot of fun!

Finally, we'll see you at the Holiday Stroll on Nov. 22 where we hope to make Friends with more businesses and YOU!

KRISTI'S CORNER

Last month, I mentioned Dan Brown's new Robert Langdon, *Secret of Secrets*. It took me a while to read. You know how it is when you find a book you want to read as fast as possible, but at the same time, you slow down because you don't want it to end? This book was like that. It's been quite a while since Dan Brown had written a new book, but this was definitely worth the wait. Give it a try; I'm sure it will satisfy any Dan Brown craving you didn't realize you had. I also read Heather Webber's *A Certain Kind of Starlight*. It just came out in paperback. Like all her books, it is set in a small Southern town with quirky characters and family secrets. Addie and Tessa Jane are half-sisters who return to their hometown, Starlight, Alabama. They have a complicated history with each other and with the citizens of their town. But they are there to help their ailing Aunt Verbena with the family baking business. This was a touching, heartfelt book with great characters, a little mystery, and definitely some magic. It's just right for the upcoming holidays because it has many issues, which are not made light of, that so many of us go through with our families at this time of year, but they are worked through. Also, it's not a heavy book, and everyone needs that now and again. Until next time, so many books, so little time.



Genealogy Library Branch

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WEDNESDAY, NOV 5TH @ NOON
FAMILY MYTHS AND THEIR EFFECTS ON YOUR
GENEALOGY RESEARCH

UPCOMING TOPICS

2025

12/3: Open Floor Genealogy Discussion

**dates, locations & topics may be adjusted*

SATURDAY, JAN 24TH @ 10 AM

TRUE CRIME CLUB
DISCUSS COLD CASES WITH US



Outreach...



DPL is on the go! We are always looking for new ways to serve the community, and sometimes that means taking a trip! Jessica and Misty will be visiting the Ardmore Public Library for a workshop and to see what other libraries are up to. Libraries are always better in collaboration. If you want to collaborate with the library, send an email to dploutreach@duncanok.gov!

PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES

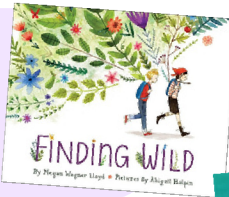


DPL KIDS

baby toddler time
Thursdays @ 10:30 am

STORYTIME
Thursdays @ 11 am

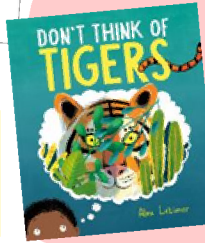
FOL Storywalk®:
Finding Wild by Megan Wagner and Abigail Halpin will go up in Oct!



MISS DARBIE'S NOVEMBER PICK

Don't Think of Tigers
by Alex Latimer

This fun read-aloud will have your reader giggling and inspired, all while our hero learns that with a bit of practice, even the wildest challenges can be tamed.



LEGOS MONDAYS 2-4 PM

Children are welcome to come build with the library's collection of Legos®

Tues & Thurs Minecraft!
For ages 6-15.
at 3 and 4 pm!
CALL TO SIGN UP!



That's...that's
Chaos Theory

Coding for Kids is every Wednesday from 3 to 4:30 pm. For ages 6-15. Please call to sign up (580) 255-0636

On Thurs., Nov 20th Miss Sacha will host Spanish Storytime! Come to **Hora Del Cuento** at 4 pm!



HAVE A VOICE AT YOUR LIBRARY!
Teen Reading Challenges:

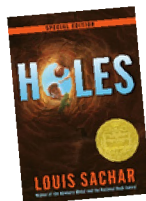
Have you read your 25 books this year?

75 BOOKS BEFORE HIGH SCHOOL
100 BOOKS BEFORE GRADUATION

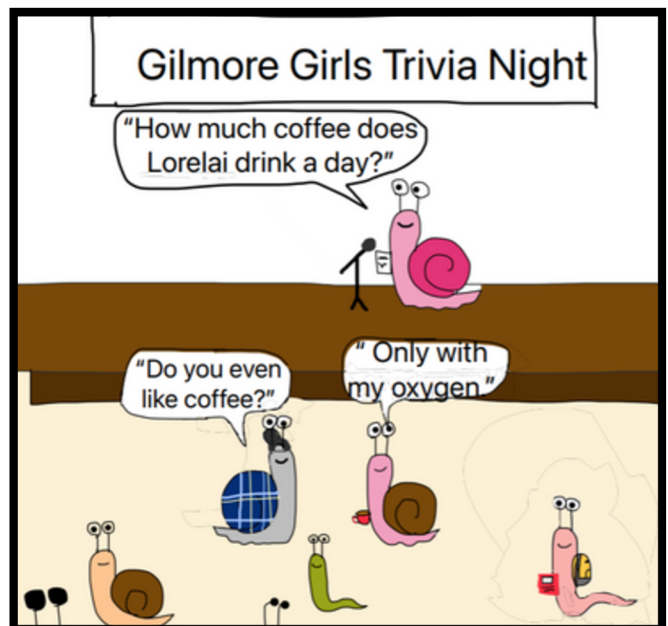


NEA TEENS WORKSHOP: HOMEMADE DOG TREATS

On Tuesday November 4th @ 4:30 pm, teens will gather to create treats for our shelter friends!

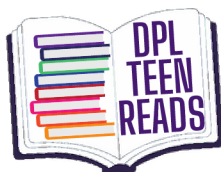


TEEN COMIC SPACE BY LORELEI HOOKER:



TAB MEETING & NOVEMBER TEEN READS:

Due to the holidays, we will not be having a November TAB meeting. Teen Reads for HOLES will be **December 11th @ 5:30 pm**



We've decided to join Teen Reads group with our It Was the 90s book club for *Holes* by Louis Sachar! This is a critically acclaimed YA novel, and we would love for our teens to join the discussion led by Cameron University English Professor, Dr. John Hodgson

DPL ADULTS

Every Tuesday @ 3:30 pm, writers 18 and older meet in the board room to hone their skills and support each other.



Genealogy Library will have their Brown Bag Lunch over Family Myths and their effects on your research, **Wed, Nov 5th @ noon**

Tabletop RPG meets in the Library annex every **Saturday at 10 am!** Join the campaign!



Photo Club will meet on the second and fourth Saturday of the month Call 580-721-0575 if you have questions.



FITNESS FOR SENIORS @ DPL
Tai-Chi Mon, Wed, & Fri @ 10am
Sit-Fit Tue, Thu, & Sat @ 9 am:
Low impact fitness.

String Theory is Tuesdays at 1 pm! Learn how to do all the things you can do with yarn with Karen Page!



Computer Classes are available Mon & Wed from 10 am to 11:30 am every week! Covers basic computer skills.



LINE-DANCING

returns to DPL Thursdays in the Annex at 10:00 am!



Spice of the Month is back! Grab your free packet on Friday, Nov 21st at the front desk while supplies last!



ADULT CRAFT
Macrame Leaf craft **Monday, 17th @ 2 pm or Tuesday, 18th @ 5:30pm**

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WEEKDAYS
2:30-4:30 upstairs
kitchen

NOVEMBER

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

3rd Annual LIGHT the Library			FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH 5:30pm: Event starts with games on the lawn 6:00pm: DLT carol singing, elves, crafts for kids 6:45pm: FPC Bell Choir 7:00pm: Winners announced and Sign Lighting		1 9 AM: SIT FIT SATURDAYS @ 10 AM: RPG @ DPL
3 10 AM: TAI-CHI MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS DALC COMPUTER CLASSES @ 10 AM COMPUTER LAB	4 9 AM: SIT FIT 3:30PM TUESDAYS ADULT WRITER'S TOPS: TUESDAYS 5:15 4:30 TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 3 & 4 PM	5 10 AM: TAI-CHI Genealogy Library Brown Bag Lunch 12PM: BROWN BAG LUNCH/FAMILY MYTHS	6 9 AM: SIT FIT THURSDAYS 10:30: BABY/TODDLER 11 AM: STORYTIME NEA: FUZZ BOOK DISCUSSION 5:30 PM	7 10 AM: TAI-CHI 	8 9 AM: SIT FIT 2ND & 4TH SATURDAYS @ 11 AM: PHOTO CLUB
10 10 AM: TAI-CHI LEGO 2-4 PM MONDAYS	11 MINECRAFT ***** Sorry We're CLOSED *****	12 10 AM: TAI-CHI CODING WEDNESDAYS 3PM AGES 6-15	13 9 AM: SIT FIT LINE-DANCING 10:00 am Thursdays Annex POISONWOOD BIBLE 5:30 PM	14 10 AM: TAI-CHI Wicked Trivia @ Kochendorfers 7:00 PM	15 9 AM: SIT FIT
17 10 AM: TAI-CHI 2 PM ADULT CRAFT: MACRAME LEAF	18 9 AM: SIT FIT TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS @ Noon ESL Classes 580-736-1170 TUESDAYS 1 PM: CROCHET & KNIT 5:30 PM MACRAME LEAF 	19 10 AM: TAI-CHI	20 9 AM: SIT FIT 4PM HORA DEL CUENTO 4:30 PM CINDY PARKS	21 10 AM: TAI-CHI SPICE OF THE MONTH!	22 9 AM: SIT FIT
24 10 AM: TAI-CHI DINOSAUR MOVIES!	25 9 AM: SIT FIT	26 10 AM: TAI-CHI	27 Closed 		
4					29 9 AM: SIT FIT

Check our social media and website for updates and possible additions, cancelations, or other changes!