



# Off The Shelf



January 2023

## 2022: A YEAR OF DPL IN NUMBERS

SOME STATS WE KEEP TO HELP US SERVE YOU BETTER!

HOURS OPEN	2,583.5	We extended our Saturday hours this year!
GATE COUNT	94,150	Number of people through our doors.
QUESTIONS ANSWERED	37,640	This is our best estimate; It's hard to keep track of every Question asked.
NUMBER OF BORROWERS	21,228	Card holders include those who may access only the virtual collection.
NEW LIBRARY CARDS MADE	1,064	We also provide Online Only cards for those who cannot come into the library for various reasons.
PHYSICAL CHECKOUTS	75,063	Physical items: Books, Audiobooks, DVDs, Binge Boxes, Magazines & Cake Pans.
HOLDS FULFILLED	2,463	Holds are found by staff for patrons to pick up when convenient.
ELECTRONIC CHECKOUTS	42,272	Digital Books, Audiobooks & Movies through Hoopla & Libby.
DATABASE USE	72,744	Information retrieved from our many databases.
IN-LIBRARY COMPUTERS USED	2,571	We have 12 computers available to the public: Caregiver, Citizenship, College, Government, Downstairs & Upstairs Labs
COPIES/PRINTS	150,948	B & W prints are 10¢ and Color prints are 50¢ a side (price increases for large paper).
WIFI USAGE	33,600	WiFi can be accessed 24/7 and extends to the parking lot.
TECH HELP WITH RICH	314	This does not include other staff help with technology or computer class instruction.
MEALS PROVIDED	1,985	Chickasaw Nation's Impa'chi Meals provided daily in the upstairs kitchen
ILL BORROWS	101	Interlibrary Loans in: when our patrons want an item we do not have.
ILL LOANS	502	Interlibrary Loans out: when we are able to send items to patrons of other libraries.
NOTARY SERVICES	288	Did you know the Library has 3 Notaries on staff and that this service is FREE? Increase this stat for us in 2023!

### BOOKOPOLY

For those who were participating in our 2022 book challenge, the due date to complete and turn in your forms is February 1st, 2023! We have some amazing prize baskets for you to choose from if your name is drawn, so don't forget to get yours in! Also, look for 2023's Reading Challenge to be out soon:



A beloved library patron, friend, and advocate passed away on December 13, 2022. She believed in the power of libraries so much that she served as an officer on library boards and FOL groups on both the state and local level. We will be forever grateful to all she did to support us. Thank you, Ann.

### LOUD ABOUT THE LIBRARY

**What would I do without you here to help?**

*person needing help with phone*

## NEW RELEASES...

Some (not all) January releases to look forward to! You can also fill out a request for ones you think we should get at the circulation desk or online under Ask A Librarian!

<i>Forbidden</i>	Bunn, T. Davis
<i>Nice Guys Finish Dead</i>	Johnstone, William W.
<i>Meat Thy Maker</i>	Myers, Tamar
<i>The House of Wolves</i>	Patterson, James
<i>Murder Book</i>	Perry, Thomas
<i>The Bullet Garden</i>	Hunter, Stephen
<i>Eden's Children</i>	Andrews, V.C.
<i>The Cabinet of Dr. Leng</i>	Preston, Douglas
<i>Code 6</i>	Grappando, James
<i>Without a Trace</i>	Steel, Danielle

Elizabeth will search other libraries for the items we could not add to our collection and have them shipped to us for a fee! Fill out the form online or at circulation!



## THE FOIL FILES...

The Friends of the Duncan Public Library have done some amazing things for us in 2022, and we are looking forward to all the things coming in 2023 thanks to their generosity! New board members are needed this year; you can help the Friends decide what amazing projects they'll fund next!

## OUTREACH...

We loved seeing you all at the Christmas Parade! We've made a note for next year to bring double the candy since we ran out halfway through! The theme for 2023 is **All Together Now!** So keep your eyes peeled for the library out and about in the community. Plan to stop by the library starting on January 17th to help create Valentine's cards for those living in Duncan's assisted living and nursing homes! We'll have supplies out through February 10th so they can be delivered in time for Valentine's Day! Contact Misty & Jessica at [dploutreach@duncanok.gov](mailto:dploutreach@duncanok.gov) if you have any community events we may be interested in or classes that would benefit from a visit!



## KRISTI'S CORNER...

Happy New Year! I hope the holidays were great for all of you. Have you all made your 2023 resolutions? Every New Year, I make resolutions involving books. For example, and perhaps most important, "this year, I will control my book-buying impulses." And while I really plan to stick to it this year, I just found a new series I know I'll enjoy! CJ Archer is a fantastic author of historical fiction/fantasy books. She has several series, but recently, I happened to pick up the first in her new series—*The Librarian of Crooked Lane*. It begins in 1920 after the Great War and is set in London during the height of social, economic, and political disruption. Sylvia, the heroine, is working at a library when she meets Gabriel Glass. She saves Gabriel from abduction and he gives her a job at the Glass Library. Throw in a little bit of magic, mystery, intriguing characters, an exciting time period, and superb writing, and you have a very addictive book! I can't wait to read the second one. This book is actually a follow-up series to CJ's Glass and Steele thirteen-volume series set in 1890 London. In it, Matt Glass and India Steele are involved in investigating magic in the Guilds and why the Guild Masters wish to stop them. The characters and time period are wonderful, and the mystery of each one highlights an important social issue of the time in an informative way. I love the magical element and the character development. I already bought several of her other books in her different series. Her plots are not typical, and there is always a twist. So, I will once again be beginning my year with a series and may possibly be buying a lot of books before the year is through! Also, the final book in the Sunshine Vicram trilogy by Darynda Jones, *A Hard Day for A Hangover*, is excellent. I was just so sad to see these characters go. My second book resolution is to read more—we'll see how that works out, but I feel as though it will be easier to keep than the first!

## GEN LIB BRANCH...

Corner of 8th and Ash, Duncan, OK

M T W & Th 9a-2p

580-255-8718 [scgslib18@gmail.com](mailto:scgslib18@gmail.com)

## BROWN BAG LUNCH

Wednesday,  
January 4th  
@ 12pm

## GENEALOGY FOR BEGINNERS



## BABY/TODDLER TIME

Thursdays @ 10:30 am

Full of silly songs and cute rhymes, Miss Darbie leads those aged 0-2 and their adult in a weekly lap/sit program.



Thursdays @ 11 am

Children ages 3 and up can join Miss Darbie under the tree in the Children's area for stories.

## FOL STORYWALK®

Come walk around our library and read *The Snowy Day* by Ezra Jack Keats!



DND@DPL



10am Saturday, Jan 14th & 28th

Learn to DND @ DPL! The facilitators of this program also have a server you can join from wherever you may be:



<https://discord.gg/sMeBTaf38d>

For those who know how to play, the crew is also here on these days:

10am Saturday, January 7th & 21st



<https://discord.gg/gTTJygP8qq>

## FITNESS @ DPL

Tai-Chi Mon, Wed & Fri @ 10am:

For Seniors to improve their balance.

Geri-Fit Tue & Thu @ 9 am:

Low impact fitness for seniors.

## PROGRAMS, PICKS & PERKS

### MISS DARBIE'S PICKS

Eyes that Speak to the Stars

by Joanna Ho

A boy realizes that his eyes rise to the skies, speak to the stars, and glimpse trails of light of those who came before.



### DALC COMPUTER CLASSES

Jacqui will be in our computer lab on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 am to 12 pm each week to help anyone who needs basic computer skills! Right now, there is no sign-up required, so come check it out!

**NO CLASS ON JAN 2ND, 4TH & 16TH**

### MINECRAFT

Join Mr. Rich in the annex every Tuesday and Thursday for some Minecraft mayhem!

Tues & Thurs  
3PM & 4PM



Sign ups are no longer required!

### EMBEDDED DHS WORKER

**OKLAHOMA Human Services**  
@ Duncan Public Library

TUESDAYS 10AM - 12PM & THURSDAYS 1PM-3PM

The library has partnered with the Oklahoma Department of Human Services to assist you! Visit the embedded worker in Study Room 1 Tuesdays from 10-12pm and Thursdays from 1-3pm.

### CROCHET HOURS

Come crochet with Ms. Jessica for a couple hours!

FRIDAY, JAN 6TH  
4-5:30 PM

### INTERNATIONAL SNACKS

We're kicking off our International Snack Tasting programs as a lead up to SCGS's International Desert Celebration! Stop by on the 23rd, 30th, and February 6th!

## DPL TEENS



HAVE A VOICE AT YOUR LIBRARY!



This group is for younger writers who are wanting to join and support others in their pursuit of learning how to write better!

### ADULT WRITER'S GROUP

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

### TOPS

TOPS (Taking Off Pounds Sensibly) meets in the annex every Tuesday night at 5:15 pm.

### BOOK TALK! WITH LIZ

Young adults! Join Ms. Liz at noon on Wednesday January 11th in the Board Room to discuss your best and worst reads of 2022! Bring your lunch to eat at the library!

### FICTIONALLY SPEAKING

Fictionally Speaking returns with Ms. Jessica on Tuesday, January 31st from 4-6 pm in Study Room 2. We'll be discussing short story collections.

### VALENTINE'S CARDS FOR THE COMMUNITY

Join us January 17th - February 10th to make valentine's cards for nursing and assisted living homes!

### SPICE OF THE MONTH!

Try a new seasoning every month as part of our Spice of the Month Club! Pick up a recipe and sample at the front desk on January 20th!

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# JANUARY

EVERY WEEK DAY!

Check our social media and website for weekly updates and possible additions or changes!

SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT
1 WTFY New Year's 2023 Closed	2	3 NO GER-FIT	4 NO COMPUTER CLASS 12:00 PM BROWN BAG LUNCH @ GEN LIB GENEALOGY FOR BEGINNERS	5 9:00 AM GER-FIT 10:30 AM BABY/TODDLER TIME 1:00 AM STORYTIME	6 10:00 AM TA-CH CROCHET HOURS! 4-5:30 PM	7 10:00 AM DND
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15	16 MLK Day Golly we're CLOSED	17 9:00 AM GER-FIT VALENTINE'S CARDS!	18 10:00 AM TA-CH	19 9:00 AM GER-FIT 10:30 AM BABY/TODDLER TIME 1:00 AM STORYTIME	20 10:00 AM TA-CH SPICE OF THE MONTH CLUB!	21 10:00 AM DND
22	23 10 AM TA-CH INTERNATIONAL SNACKS 3-5:30	24 9:00 AM GER-FIT 9:30 AM LIBRARY BOARD MTG	25 10:00 AM TA-CH	26 9:00 AM GER-FIT 10:30 AM BABY/TODDLER TIME 1:00 AM STORYTIME	27 10:00 AM TA-CH	28 10:00 AM DND@DPL
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