



OFF THE SHELF

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Valentines for Residents

We have set out a table and supplies for our annual Valentine card-making for those in local nursing homes and assisted living facilities. Come in to make as many as you wish OR make them at home to help us share all the love we get during Love Your Library month. Just put them in the card box at the end of the card table!

2024 READING CHALLENGE



Our 2024 Reading Challenge has begun! This year, we want you to read books that will take you to all 50 states. Some books may take place in only one state while others may help you mark off several! While there is no official order to accomplishing this task, you can further challenge yourself by reading your books so that wherever you begin, your next book has to be set in a state that touches that state, or you can read your books based on region, or start in Kansas and swirl your way out towards Hawaii! Whatever your chosen path, come in after marking off 5 states to get those states' stickers! Once you finish the challenge, turn in your form to be entered into a grand prize drawing! Get a form to start your trip today! Happy reading travels!



Blind Date with a book returns to DPL! Look for a display of wrapped books and look at its dating profile to decide if you want to take a chance by checking it out! You may find a genre you don't normally read or a new author you adore, OR you may discover your first DNF (did not finish) read of 2024. That's ok, though because there are other fish in the sea... books in the catalog? Either way, try this fun way to check out a book in February!

Black History Month

February is Black History Month, and Black History is Oklahoma History! You can come in to find our displays of books that highlight Black authors and their stories, and you can also visit the Oklahoma Historical Society's page dedicated to resources on the Civil Rights movement in Oklahoma, Early Oklahoma and All-Black Towns, as well as Black Oklahomans who made incredible contributions to the arts, sports, and politics. There are also resources on the Tulsa Race Massacre and the tragic history that must be acknowledged. There are teaching guides, audio and video as well as links to the archives of Oklahoma's Historic Black Newspapers. Visit OKHISTORY.ORG/BLACKHISTORY or scan the QR to find this page. Take the time this month to learn more about Black History and Oklahoma History!



FINE FREE FEBRUARY

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Way Overdue	
Author	
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Due Date	Borrower's Name
PAST DUE	Your Name

Did you find a library item that should have been turned in days, weeks, months, dare I say it, years ago?? Well don't worry, in honor of Love Your Library Month, it's Fine Free February at DPL! So bring in all your items without worrying about paying a fine! This only applies to overdue fines; any collections fees or replacement costs for lost items cannot be waived.

ARRIVING

These books scheduled to be released this month and are listed in order of expected arrival at the library.

Crosshairs	Patterson, James
The Women	Hannah, Kristin
Ghost Orchid	Kellerman, Jonathan
Owning Up	Pelecanos, George
The Lantern's Dance	King, Laurie R.
Simply the Best	Phillips, Susan Elizabeth
Death of a Spy	Beaton, M.C.
Chasing Endless Summer	Andrews, V. C.
Three-inch Teeth	Box, C. J.

ILL staff 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 FOL FILES...



The Annual Meeting of the Friends of the Duncan Public Library will be on March 5th at 5:30 PM in the Library's annex building. The Friends provide the funds for all of the library's programs and many other favorite features like the digital sign! Patrons can join the Friends for only \$10 a year which provides awesome benefits and creates a positive impact on the whole community. To learn more, please join us at the annual meeting! After the meeting, stick around for our keynote event: a discussion of **This Land is Herland**. Women have always been a part of Oklahoma's history and this book delves into the stories of thirteen history-changing women from 1870 to the present day. Come talk with Heather Clemmer, Sarah Eppler Janda, and Patricia Loughlin about three important women that have shaped Oklahoma as we know it!



OUTREACH...



The Library's back at it again with **Big Game Trivia** at Kochendorfer's Brewery! We'll be there on **Friday, February 9th at 7:00 PM**. Come prepared to represent your team and see just how much you know about the big game! Along with our Trivia Nights, our Library Outreach takes us to Delta Headstart and Gabriel's House; we also partner on programs with Marie Detty, Safe Center, Stephens County Humane Society, and SafeCare. Get in touch with us at dploutreach@duncanok.gov if you have any questions about our outreach program, have a suggestion for outreach, or would like to partner with us!

KRISTI'S CORNER

Happy Valentine's Day to all. This month will be busy for me, but I wanted to discuss a semi-new author (to me) that I have been reading—Nora Roberts. I know she has been around for a long time, and I have read a couple of her recent series; however, while I was stocking the little free library, I happened to glance at one of her books and wound up reading it based on the synopsis. The book was *Undercurrents*, and it was fantastic. So I then picked up *Sanctuary* and was awestruck at the writing, characterization, plot, and setting. In fact, the whole book impressed me so much. It's about the Hathaway family of the Isle of Desire and Sanctuary, the family home. A family mystery causes dysfunction and pain for 20 years. The writing is reminiscent of Pat Conroy and Anne Rivers Siddons—two of my favorites. After finishing this book, I committed to reading more Nora Roberts—*Tribute*, *The Witness*, and *Rivers End*. These are all stand-alone reads, and each one holds its own. I think that anyone who likes Sandra Brown will enjoy these. As I said, I had enjoyed some of her series—*Chronicles of the One* and *Dragon Heart Legacy* and did like those. Plus I have three more Nora Roberts titles at home to read that I expect to be pretty good. I was sure to put back the first two that I borrowed from the little free library, so they are available for someone else to discover. I will be at the Sweet Treats fundraiser for the Stephens County Genealogy Library on February 3 from 1-3 pm; if you want to discuss any of these books, and would love for you to join us. Until next time, so many books not enough time.

GENEALOGY LIBRARY BRANCH
 580-255-8718
scgslib18@gmail.com
 Corner of 8th and Ash, Duncan, OK

BROWN BAG LUNCH: MARRIAGE RECORDS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH @ 12 PM

Come discuss the tips and tricks in using marriage records in your genealogy research.



Next MONTH

MARCH 6TH BROWN BAG: HOW DID WE END UP IN OKLAHOMA?

The second annual SCGS fundraiser for the Genealogy Library will take place at the First United Methodist Church located at 2300 Country Club Rd., Duncan, OK on Saturday, Feb 3rd from 1 pm to 3 pm. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased from either library location!



THIS LAND IS HERLAND

A PANEL DISCUSSION BY AUTHORS

Visit the Duncan Public Library for a panel discussion of *This Land is Herland*. Women have always been a part of Oklahoma's history and this book delves into the stories of thirteen history-changing women from 1870 to the present day.

Come talk with Heather Clemmer, Sarah Eppler Janda, and Patricia Loughlin about three important women that have shaped Oklahoma as we know it!



Heather Clemmer

Southern Nazarene University



Sarah Eppler Janda

Cameron University



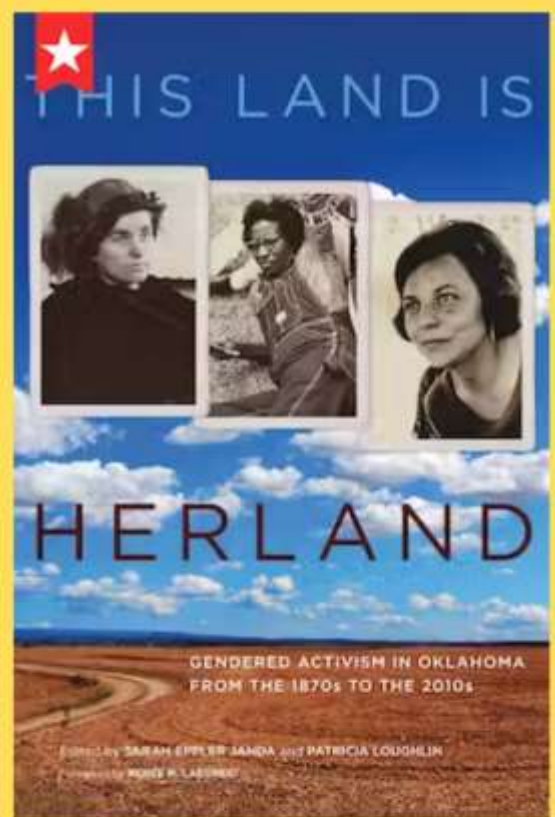
Patricia Loughlin

University of Central Oklahoma



FRIENDS OF THE DUNCAN PUBLIC LIBRARY ANNUAL MEETING

The Friends of the Duncan Public Library's Annual Meeting will be held before the featured panel discussion. The Friends provide the funds and support for all of the library's programs and many of our favorite features like the pergola! Patrons can join the Friends for \$10 a year which provides awesome benefits and creates a positive impact on the whole community. To learn more, please join us at the annual meeting on **Tuesday, March 5th at 5:30 PM** at the Duncan Public Library annex building.



DISCUSSION TOPICS

- “My Heart Had Been Burdened for the Orphaned and Homeless Children’: Religious Imperative and Maternalism in the Work of Mattie Mallory” - Heather Clemmer
- “To Speak so Forthrightly as to Offend’: The Civil Rights Activism and Confinement of Rosalyn ‘Rosie’ Coleman Gilchrist” - Sarah Eppler Janda
- “My Children Are More Important to Me than Any Office I Might Hold’: Mary Fallin’s Use of Motherhood as a Conservative Political Strategy” - Patricia Loughlin

THANK YOU TO THE FRIENDS OF THE DUNCAN PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR SUPPORTING PROGRAMS LIKE THESE!

6:00 - 7:00 PM

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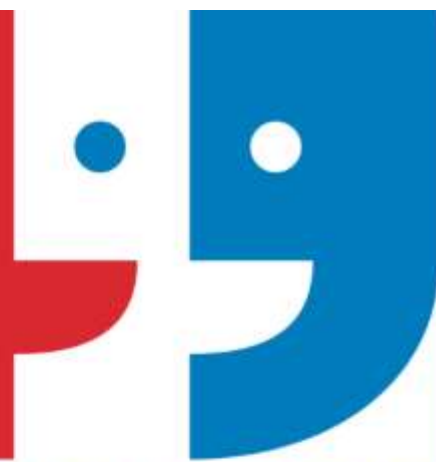
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Let's Talk About It



A PROGRAM OF OKLAHOMA HUMANITIES

BOOK DISCUSSION

If you are expecting a hard-boiled detective novel, then Lawrence Block may surprise you with his comedic chops in *The Burglar Who Traded Ted Williams*. In this locked room mystery, Bernie Rhodenbarr, a bookseller who makes a little extra on the side by burglarizing those he thinks could afford to lose a little, pulls all the suspects together a la Hercule Poirot, but who do you have your money on?

To borrow a copy of *The Burglar Who Traded Ted Williams* by Lawrence Block, visit the Duncan Public Library! For those interested in ebooks, you can also borrow a copy through our reading apps: Libby and Hoopla!

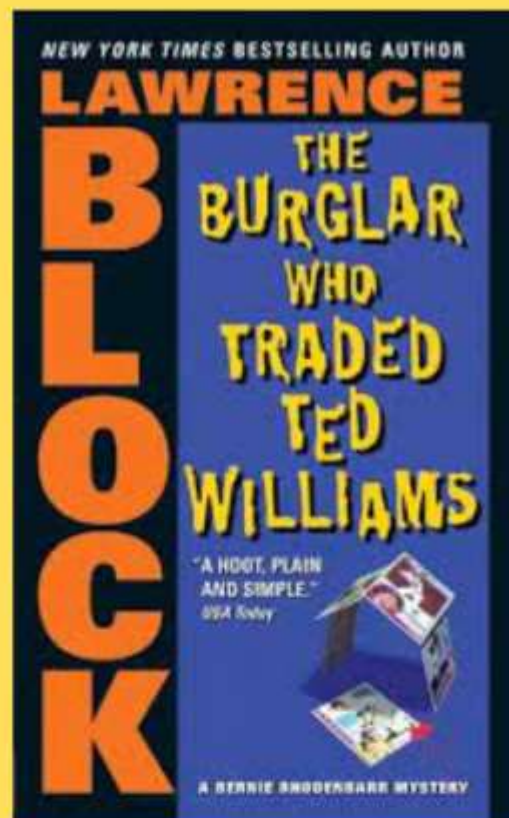
Questions? Call 580-255-0636 and ask for Jessica.

ABOUT THE PRESENTER



Dr. Kingsley received an A.B. in English from Princeton University and a Ph.D. in English from UCLA with a concentration in 17th and 18th-century British literature. She began teaching literature and composition classes at Cameron in 1994 and served as the Chair of the Department of English and Foreign Languages from 2005-2013. She currently serves as the Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs.

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"Not a bad looking *Burglar*," he said. "I don't suppose you'd happen to have a decent *Alibi*?" ...What I heard was a stocky fellow with a gruff voice calling me a burglar, albeit a not-bad-looking one, and asking if I had an alibi, and I have to tell you it gave me a turn."



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6:00 - 7:00 PM

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PROGRAMS & PICKS



Baby/Toddler Time:
Thursdays @ 10:30 am
Storytime with Miss Darbie:
Thursdays @ 11 am

Our Bilingual FOL
StoryWalk® features
Nosotros Means Us by Paloma
Valdivia; come check it out!



Looking to play some
Tabletop RPG? Stop by the
back building every Saturday
at 10 am!

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



Tai-Chi Mon, Wed & Fri @ 10am:
For Seniors to improve their balance.
Sit-Fit Tue, Thu, & Sat @ 9 am:
Low impact fitness.

Tues & Thurs Minecraft!
For ages 6 -15,
at 3 and 4 pm!
NO SIGN UP REQUIRED



Kitchen Travels! Join us in
exploring food from around the
world! We're visiting Canada on
February 16 at 2:30 with Poutine!



Come to the Library on
Saturdays at 1 pm to learn how
to do all the thing you can do
with yarn with Karen Page!

**STRING
THEORY**



On **Thursday, February 22nd**,
Miss Sacha will host Spanish
Storytime! Come to **Hora Del
Cuento** at 2:30 pm upstairs!



Trivia is back! Join DPL at
Kochendorfer's for **Big
Game Trivia** on Friday,
February 9th at 7:00 pm!

Fridays @ 2pm: Sit & Knit is back!
Jean McDowell will teach a class
for **BEGINNERS**, and kits can be
purchased from her for \$10



Tuesday, February 13 @ 4 pm,
join Sacha in the kitchen to
learn a health dessert to satisfy
your sweet tooth!



**Marie Detty's Group
Connections** program will take
place **Monday, February 12th @
2:30 pm**



Miss Darbie will have
Legos out for the kids
from **3-5 pm every
Tuesday!**

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



Coding for Kids is a new program
every Wednesdays at either 3 or 4
PM. Mr. Rich will be using Scratch
to teach kids ages 6-15 to code.

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



LIVE-IT weight loss program
taught by an RN/Certified
teacher every **Monday @ 11
am**. See circulation desk for
more information.



MISS DARBIE'S FEBRUARY PICK

VOX books, the all new, all-in-one
audiobook and print read-along!



HAVE A VOICE AT YOUR LIBRARY!

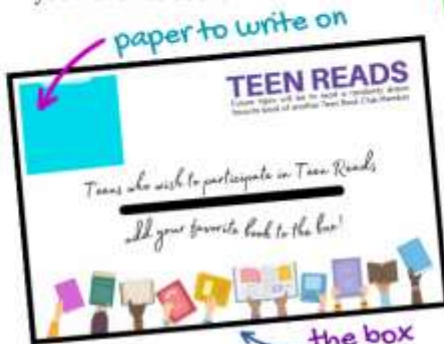
T.A.B.
Teens will meet on Saturday,
February 3rd @ 1 pm.

This group is for younger
writers who want to
encourage each other to
express themselves
through their writing. Teen
led, this group is a for
those age 12-18 and takes
place Tuesdays @ 4 pm.

This group is for teens ages
12-18 and will meet in the
kitchen on Thursdays at
4pm! There will be guest
instructors brought in
when possible.

TEEN READS

This is book club for those ages 12-18. Teens get together monthly (mostly) to talk about the books they've read. They choose from a genre or a topic, or they will choose the same title to read. In the near future, teens are wanting to read each other's favorite book. There is a box at the YA Services desk where you can write down your favorite title—Juvenile, YA, or an age appropriate Adult titles only—and drop it in! Join the fun, and submit your favorite book!



TEEN COMIC SPACE!

BY LORELEI HOOKER Hey, not cool!



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at the library
 "It'll be the porch
 goose of
 snails!"

FINE FREE FEBRUARY

MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

<p>Impa'chi meals for kids the Chickasaw Nation</p> <p>AFTER WEEKDAYS SCHOOL! 2:30 - 5pm</p>	<p>KITCHEN WEEKDAYS 2:30- 4:30</p>	<p>safe care SAFE CARE WILL BE HERE TO DISCUSS RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO PARENTS OF CHILDREN 5 AND UNDER THURSDAY THE 8TH DURING STORYTIME</p>	<p>1 9 AM: SIT FIT</p> <p>10:30: BABY/TODDLER TIME 11 AM: STORYTIME</p>	<p>2 10 AM: TAI-CHI</p> <p>FRIDAYS @ 2 PM: BEGINNERS SIT & KNIT</p>	<p>3 9 AM: SIT FIT</p> <p>Sweet Treats GEN LIB FUNDRAISER 1 PM UNITED METHODIST 1 PM: TAB MEETING</p>
<p>5 10 AM: TAI-CHI</p> <p>MONDAYS @ 11 AM "LIVE-IT" WEIGHT LOSS PROGRAM</p>	<p>6 9 AM: SIT FIT</p> <p>TEEN WRITING BUDDIES TUESDAYS @ 4PM AGES 12-18</p>	<p>7 10 AM: TAI-CHI</p> <p>12PM @ GEN LIB BROWN BAG LUNCH USING MARRIAGE BOOKS AND RECORDS</p>	<p>8 9 AM: SIT FIT</p> <p>6 PM: THE BURGLAR WHO TRADED TED WILLIAMS</p>	<p>9 10 AM: TAI-CHI</p> <p>TRIVIA NIGHT HOCHENDORFER'S BREWERY @ 7PM</p>	<p>10 9 AM: SIT FIT</p> <p>2ND & 4TH SATURDAYS @ 11 AM: PHOTO CLUB</p>
<p>12 10 AM: TAI-CHI</p> <p>Marie Dettly 2:30 PM: GROUP CONNECTIONS IN THE KITCHEN</p>	<p>13 9 AM: SIT FIT</p> <p>SAFE DATING ADVICE @ 3:30 4PM SWEETS W/ SACHA</p>	<p>14 10 AM: TAI-CHI</p> <p>Valentine's Day</p>	<p>15 9 AM: SIT FIT</p> <p>Art Club FOR TEENS THURSDAYS @ 4pm Ages 12-18</p>	<p>16 10 AM: TAI-CHI</p> <p>2:30 KITCHEN TRAVELS: POUTINE</p>	<p>17 9 AM: SIT FIT</p> <p>STRING THEORY SATURDAYS @ 1 PM: KNITTING & CROCHET GROUP</p>
<p>19</p> <p>President's Day Closed</p>	<p>20 9 AM: SIT FIT</p> <p>TO LIBRARY LEGO FUN TUESDAYS</p>	<p>21 10 AM: TAI-CHI</p> <p>HAPPY Birthday</p>	<p>22 9 AM: SIT FIT</p> <p>Hora del Cuento @ 2:30 IN THE KITCHEN</p>	<p>23 10 AM: TAI-CHI</p> <p>YOUR LIBRARY MONTH</p>	<p>24 9 AM: SIT FIT</p> <p>DUNCAN PUBLIC LIBRARY SATURDAYS @ 10 AM: TABLE TOP GAMING</p>
<p>26 10 AM: TAI-CHI</p> <p>MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS DALC COMPUTER CLASSES @ 10 AM COMPUTER LAB</p>	<p>27 9 AM: SIT FIT</p> <p>3:30PM TUESDAYS ADULT WRITER'S</p>	<p>28 10 AM: TAI-CHI</p> <p>KIDS CODING WEDNESDAYS 3&4PM AGES 6-15</p>	<p>29 9 AM: SIT FIT</p> <p>TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 3 & 4 PM MINECRAFT LEAP DAY</p>	<p>TUESDAYS @ 10am DALC ESL Tutoring 580-736-1170</p>	<p>TOPS TUESDAYS @ 5:15PM ANNEX</p>

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