



## The Circ Desk



### Checkout Our Fourth of July Resources

Your Fourth of July can be made a little more glorious with a visit to the public library. Our resources can add to the celebration of any holiday, not just Christmas. Consider this sampling of timely items from our collection:

*The Glorious Fourth of July: Old Fashioned Treats and Treasures from America's Patriotic Past* by Diane C. Arkins. This book, beautiful illustrated with color reproductions of old postcards, advertisements, posters etc, is very entertaining as it recounts the history of Fourth of July parades, celebrations, games and parties. Will give you ideas to add spark to your own get-together.

*A Grand Old Flag: a History of the United States through Its Flags* by Kevin and Peter Keim. Fantastic color photos and stories of authentic old-timey American flags. Loaded with anecdotes about the Stars and Stripes and all sorts of Americana. Includes a special section on the evolution of everybody's favorite Uncle: Sam!

*A Patriot's Handbook: Songs, Stories and Speeches Celebrating the Land We Love*, edited by Caroline Kennedy. An anthology of over 600 pages of patriotic food for the mind and spirit. Also available in a shorter audio book edition.

Or maybe you are looking for a holiday movie? How about *1776* or *The Music Man*? Music? We offer several music CDs of patriotic songs, and books containing sheet music of the same. Crafts for kids? We have books with directions for Fourth of July fun for children and families. Food? Our great cookbook collection includes many titles containing recipes for Independence Day dishes. Want more? We can even help you find a Fourth of July parade or firecracker stand! Please stop by soon and see what's red, white, blue and new at your public library. <http://twitter.com/sammiam>  
— Sam Shipley

#### New Materials:

- La Maestria del Amor
- Dile Adios a Tus Temore
- Por que Los Hombres se Casan con las Cabronas
- Pedro y el Lobo
- Los Cuatro Acuerdos
- Ni de Aqui Ni de Alla
- El Regreso de los Pelotones
- Kunfu-Panda
- Wall-E

#### New Materials:

- Facebook Fairytales
- Awkward Family Photos
- Last Hero
- World Cup of Soccer
- ESPN World Cup Companion
- Furious Love
- Fighting for Your Marriage
- Quick and Easy Paint Transformations
- 125 Best Chinese Recipes
- Slim & Scrumptious
- Jamie's Food Revolution
- Raising a Gifted Child

### Books For The Traveler

Whether traveling for business or vacation, sometimes the trip can be quite boring for the driver and especially for the passengers, with such phrases as "How long 'til we get there?" or "Are we there yet?" being uttered more than once. So, before you pack your bags and gas up the car, stop by the library for a book on cassette, CD, mp3, or the latest in listening technology, the Playaway.

Even though we aren't getting new cassettes, we still have many of your favorite authors like Grisham, King and Woods on cassette tape. Or take a trip to *Lake Wobegon* with Garrison Keillor while you're on your way to someplace else.

We have many new titles on CD, such as *Under the Dome* by Stephen King, *The Unbearable Lightness of Scones* by Alexander McCall Smith and Clive Cussler's *The Silent Sea*.

We also have MP3 CD's now available that are more compact so fewer discs are needed. The latest medium in the listening library is the Playaway. A self-contained unit, pre-loaded and portable (smaller than a cell phone), the Playaway is used with headphones or can be adapted to play over your car speakers with a wireless FM transmitter.

For the traveling family, we also have books that

have companion CD's to listen to. One of my favorites is an oversize book by Thomas Marent titled "Rainforest", with totally awesome photos and the sounds of the rainforest!

Recently, one of our patrons customized her trip with "just the girls" by taking along some Stephanie Plum Mysteries by Janet Evanovich and also the popular *Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants*. So, be sure to include a stop at DCPL on your "to do list" before your next trip out of town. <http://twitter.com/dcpplcollection>

— Dana Vale



## Director's Corner

July = fireworks, Dodge City Days, summer reading programs, lazy afternoons, and picnics with the family. These and other events probably come to mind when you think of July and what it means to you. While you are out and about don't forget to stop in the library and check out a book or a movie, attend a program or relax with a new magazine. This summer we are having more people come to the library than in past summers. Both attendance and circulation numbers are up. When

*Look for us during Dodge City Days*

you come in be sure to check out the new paperback unit purchased by the Friends of the Library.

Things are really busy, and we enjoy it. You can also go to our web page for a list of activities and some pictures taken at events.

Don't forget, Dodge City Days take place at the end of July. Be sure to look for the library staff helping out. During the parade we will be selling popcorn and drinks in front of the library and on Wednesday during the

rodeo we will be selling concessions. Be sure and stop by the concessions and buy a hamburger or walking taco from us. We will have a team entered in the wacky trike races and a booth set up for kids' fest. So look for us and be sure and say hi. [http://twitter.com/dcpl\\_director](http://twitter.com/dcpl_director)

—Cathy Reeves



Check us out on FaceBook. Go to <http://www.dcpl.info/> and click the FaceBook gadget.

## Inter-Library Loans

If you have never used the Interlibrary Loan Service, you may be missing out on a valuable resource available through Dodge City Public Library. Interlibrary Loan, sometimes called ILL, is a service by which patrons can borrow books, audio recordings, video recordings, microfilm, magazines, and photocopies of documents owned by other libraries. You must have a valid library card to use this service.

If there is something you want to borrow, but the library doesn't own it, ask for an ILL request form at the front desk. Fill in as much information about the item as you can, along with your personal contact information, in case we have questions. Give your completed request to a staff member and it will be delivered to ILL staff to be processed. It may take 2-6 weeks to receive the material you requested, but most items arrive within a week. Materials are usually borrowed from Kansas libraries, but many things come from out-of-state libraries. If the lending library charges

a fee to borrow an item, we will contact you and ask if you want to pay it. However, most items are loaned free of charge.

You also have the option of making an ILL request from home. Visit DCPL's website at [www.dcpl.info](http://www.dcpl.info) and click the "Catalog" link on the left side of the home page. When the e-Library page pops up, first type in your user ID (your library card number) and pin number. Then click on "I need material" at the top of the page. From there, click on "Interlibrary Loan" and fill in as many of the blank fields as possible. The most important fields to fill in are: Type (Book, DVD, CD, etc.), Author, Title, and Copyright Date. Finally, you need to type in your user ID number at the bottom of the form, and click Send.

If you don't own a computer and can't come to the library, you are welcome to call the library at 620-225-0248 and ask to speak to the Interlibrary Loan Coordinator, Cindy Shipley. If she is unavailable,

any staff member can fill out an ILL form for you over the telephone.

Occasionally, we are unable to borrow the material you requested. Some libraries will not lend their materials, especially if the item is rare or recently published. However, we will try our best to borrow the material you have requested. It's amazing what is available to you just for the asking!

-- Cindy Shipley

Check us out on Twitter. Go to <http://www.dcpl.info/twitter.html> for all the accounts we use.

## Events!

Jul 1 - 2pm - 3pm YA SRP: Storm Chasers! with Mike Umscheid

Jul 2 - 2pm - 4pm CSRP Movie

Jul 3 - 10am - 2pm Friends Booksale

Jul 5 - 8am - 6pm CLOSED

Jul 6 - 9:30am - 11:30am Coffee, Donuts, and a Movie  
1pm - 1:30pm Bright Beginnings Literacy Bus

Jul 7 - 2pm - 3pm CSRP: Froggy

Jul 8 - 2pm - 3pm YA SRP: H2Art

Jul 9 - 2pm - 4pm YA SRP Movie

Jul 13 - 1pm - 1:30pm Bright Beginnings Literacy Bus

Jul 14 - 2pm - 3pm CSRP: Fish Craft

Jul 15 - 2pm - 3pm YA SRP: Hawaiian Hula Party!

Jul 16 - 2pm - 4pm CSRP Movie

Jul 20 - 1pm - 1:30pm Bright Beginnings Literacy Bus  
3pm - 4pm James Patterson Discussion

Jul 21 - 2pm - 3pm CSRP: Carnival/Water Olympics

Jul 22 - 10am - 12pm Basic Computer Class  
2pm - 3pm YA SRP: End of Summer Luau!  
7pm - 8pm Santa Fe Trail with Jim Sherer

Jul 23 - 2pm - 4pm YA SRP Movies

Jul 27 - 1pm - 1:30pm Bright Beginnings Literacy Bus

Jul 30 - 2pm - 4pm Summer Family Movie

\*Children's Summer Reading Program

\*\*Young Adult Summer Reading Program