#### TULSA CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY'S 16TH ANNUAL ASIAN-AMERICAN FESTIVAL

Celebrate and learn about the customs and traditions of Asian-Americans with entertaining, educational events for the entire family as Tulsa City-County Library presents its 16th annual Asian-American Festival from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 23 at the Martin Regional Library, 2601 S. Garnett Road. The festival is sponsored and funded by the Tules Library Trust Admission to the festival is free

The festival features martial arts demonstrations: traditional dance and drumming presentations; authentic arts as crafts booths; interactive educational booths featuring hands-on crafts and activities; an exhibition of children's artwork from Kvoto, Japan, courtesy of the Office of the Oklahoma Secretary of State; plus, a food concession with traditional Asian cuisine provided by Spring Noodles.

Scheduled presentations and performances include: Japanese tea ceremony with Yumie Farringer; Japanese

dramming by Owasso Public School's Ohitsuii Taiko: Indonesian folk dancing by Lillik and Company World Fusion Dance Ensemble: martial arts demonstrations by Thomas Academy of Tai Chi/Kung Fu and Tulsa Kendo Club; a traditional Korean drum dance by Di

Dim Dol; and a traditional Korean fan dance by the Korean Angels of Tulsa.

Visit www.TulsaLibrary.org/asianfestival for a complete schedule of presentations, or call 918-549-7323 for more information about the Asian-American Festival

### THI SAKIDS BLOGGERS HONORED WITH GREAT PLAINS AWARDS

The Tulsa Press Club announced the 2018 Great Plains Journalism Awards winners at a luncheon at the Mayo Hotel on May 4, 2018, TulsaKids bloopers Diane Morrow-Kondos won Entertainment/Specialty Blog, and Betty Casey won News Blog Writing.

The Great Plains Journalism Awards is a regional contest honoring print, web-TV and magazine journalists for outstanding stories, photography and design. The eight-state competition includes Oklahoma, Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Iowa, North Dakota and South Dakota

Omar Villafranca, correspondent with CBS News in its Southern Bureau, received the Distinguished Lecturer Award and gave the keynote lunch address. BETTY CASEY, OMAR VILLERANCA AND



### MAYOR ANNOUNCES WALKBIKETULSA SAFETY EDUCATION

Mayor G.T. Bynum announced at a news conforence the kink off of Wall/Rike/hules, a safety edu. cation campaign to increase awareness as Tulsa implements the GO Plan - bicycle and pedestrian master plan.

Bike lanes in Tulsa are added as either part of street rehabilitation projects or as payement marking projects. Other Tulsa bike lanes already completed and in use include East Fourth Place between South Yale Avenue and South Sheridan Road, and 31st Street between Riverside Drive and South Peoria Avenue. Bike lanes also are coming to downtown Tulsa: a striping project this summer on Third Street between Heavy Traffic Way and Madison Avenue, and as part of a street rehabilita-

tion project to begin this fall on South Boulder Av-The City of Tulsa has added a page to its website with safety tips for riding bicycles, walking and driving. The page also includes a list of Priority GO Plan Projects. Visit www.walkbiketulsa.com

enue between First and 10th Streets

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and local recreation! Attend awesome free events! Read for the fun of it!

Visit any library before the program ends on Aug. 4 to sign up and get a reading log and Summer Reading Program W. Library Event Guide.

Earn great prizes and coupons for food

## **FOR ALL AGES!**





Go to www.TulsaLibrary.org/summer for more details.



























BY LAURA RAPHAEL, CHILDREN'S SERVICES COORDINATOR, TULSA CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY

# looking for summer fun? summer done!

START YOUR SUMMER RIGHT WITH THE 2018 SUMMER READING PROGRAM: LIBRARIES ROCK!

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That's right - this year, the Tulsa City-County Library is offering a Summer Reading Program for every member of your family whether they are just a few days old or a card-carrying member of the AARP

Visit one of the 24 Tulsa City-County Library locations (and bookmobile!) to sign up for the 2018 Summer Reading Program, which kicked off on May 29 and will end August 4. "Libraries Bock!" is the

theme, and there's a program for every are - babies children teens, AND adults - with specia prives events and councils for

www.tulsalibrary.org/summer for more information. Register at any of our 24 library locations! 5 Facts to Remember

about the 2018 Summer Reading Program: 1. It runs May 29 through August 4. Ten weeks of summer

2. There is a program for

BARBEE BENSON WITH MEDALS EARNED AS A KID.

everyone at all library locations! Babies, children, tweens and teens. AND adults can all particinate! Drop by one of our 24 library locations for the bookmobile) around Tulsa or

Tules County 3. For babies and children. read (or have read to) 8 books + make 4 library visits - earn a medal and book of valuable coupons for free food and enter-

tainment. Bahies and children who complete the program also get entered into a grand prize drawing

4. If babies and children read (or have read to them) 12



more books - earn a bonne prize! Babics will earn an enimal rattle, and children an inflatable

5. FREE family entertainment - in the library! From marricians to rock bands, puppet shows to juggling acts, there is something cool scheduled at all of our library locations nearly every day this summer. Check out www.tulsalibrary.org/summer.for a full list of events.

One Summer Reading Program Story: Look at All Those Medals! Those Summer Reading Pro-

gram mamorine (not to montion medals!) hold a special place for one former child reader: continued next page

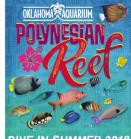
"When I was a kid, the library reading program was to me as integral a part of summer as going swimming and playing with fireworks. I remember clutching my worn reading log each week as I went to my home library Brookside to get my stickers. Thinking back now I recall there were coupons and prizes for reading extra books but I don't remember what those were. All I remember were those medals -international they were so shiny and always omanization had a cool theme (my absolute fathat upholds vorite is the Space one) and represented all the hard work I'd put

into reading. I still treasure them

to this day and have them on my

deak where I work...at the library!" - Barbie Benson, Customer Care Manager, Tulsa City-County Library











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