

Welcome to  
vegan heaven.



Shop Now  
jet.com

Make us your home page Newsletters My Subscription E-edition Subscribe

Contact Us Welcome back, jfanch-208 Logout | My Dashboard

# TULSA WORLD



64°

- NEWS SPORTS SCENE WORK & MONEY COMMUNITIES BLOGS OPINION WEEKEND WEATHER PHOTO VIDEO DATABASES
- OBITS CALENDAR
- Free Access: Jobs Autos Pets Homes Classifieds Contests findit! Deals Display Ads Special Sections Best In The World Legals Advertise

Home ▶ Homepagelatest

## Bookmobile puts Tulsa City-County Library on wheels

Story Comments Image (2) Print Font Size: - +

Tweet 0 Pin It 0 Share 0

Posted: Thursday, April 13, 2017 6:00 pm

Previous Next



University Village resident Dorothy Heirich leaves the Tulsa City-County Library's bookmobile after picking up some books. Stephen Pingry/Tulsa World



Buy this photo

By Mike Averill Tulsa World | 0 comments

Saturdays always held the possibility of a highly anticipated trip to the library for Florence Beeman.

If her mother could finish her work early enough, she'd take Beeman and her brother to the local library in their hometown of Minneapolis.

"That was a real treat," Beeman said.

They would all get in the car and head out for lunch — usually a burger — and then to the library, where Beeman could find new adventures in which to get lost.

"I like to escape into somebody else's world," she said. "I also like learning about other cultures."

Her passion for literature has been a constant throughout her life, as has her use of libraries.

Now, as a resident at the University Village retirement community, she can't make it to the library and instead relies on the library coming to her.

Once a month the Tulsa City-County Library

ALL WORLD AWARDS  
FANS OF THE YEAR CONTEST  
Pride. Spirit. Bragging Rights. All Great Reasons to Vote.

### Sponsorships

Don't Bug Me Poster Design Contest  
CLICK HERE FOR DETAILS

NORAH JONES  
FRIDAY, JUNE 9  
BRADY THEATER  
- MAKES A GREAT GIFT -  
BUY NOW

### SPECIAL SECTION:

OUTLOOK 2017 Business

OUTLOOK 2017 Quality of life

Cecil & Sons Discount Tires  
Click TO CALL!

System's bookmobile makes a stop at

University Village.

"It means everything to have them come to us because we can no longer get down to the library," Beeman said. "There are a lot of avid readers here, and a lot of us devour books day after day."

The bookmobile holds up to 3,000 books, CDs and DVDs and features Wi-Fi, a wheelchair lift and solar panels to cut down on energy costs.

It makes about 50 stops each month throughout the area, serving more than 1,000 people, said Tracy Warren, manager of community outreach and community services for the library system.

The book selection is constantly rotated and features options for everyone from newborns to seniors.

"We try to have a little bit of everything you would find at one of our branch locations," Warren said. "Because we're coming to them on a set schedule, if we don't have what they're looking for we'll bring it next time."

The library system has offered a bookmobile in some form since 1930 and was the first library in the state to offer the service.

Thanks to a gift from Ruth Nelson, the library system was able to purchase a new bookmobile last year, replacing one that had been in service for more than 20 years.

"For many of our customers, we are their library," Warren said. "We're able to come into their communities and bring the library to them, not just the materials, but knowledgeable staff who are able to answer reference questions, make recommendations, help them with homework — whatever it is they need."

Mike Averill

918-581-8489

mike.averill@tulsaworld.com

Twitter: @Mike\_Averill

Popular Commented

1. Made in Oklahoma: 'Mother of all bombs' dropped in Afghanistan could have come from McAlester
2. ORU sports: Scott Sutton released as men's basketball coach after 18 seasons
3. Bixby council OKs rezoning request for controversial addition of hundreds of homes
4. The 21 times that Oklahomans hosted or were the musical guest on 'SNL' -- or both
5. Tapped-out state revenue sources cost public schools another \$17.4 million in April

More

**TULSA WORLD**  
**PLATINUM**  
REWARDS

Discounts on just about everything.  
Just for you. Our loyal subscriber.

Serving Tulsa Since 1907  
**Elephant Trunk Co.**

**Multi-pocket Colombian leather duffels**  
Perfect for work, gym or travel!

Today's E-Edition

Follow Staff Writer Mike Averill



Follow Tulsa World



Recommend 6 Tweet 0 Pin 0 Share 1 0

Discuss

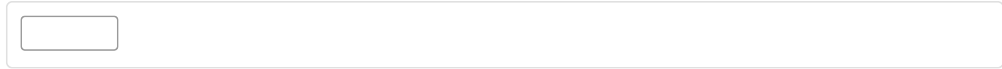
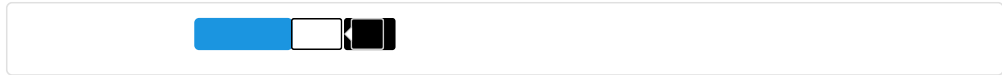
Print

Similar Stories

Unknown man shoots out taco restaurant window during attempted robbery, police say

Most Read

Departing teacher: 'I shouldn't have to call my mom and dad for money'



- Tulsa man dies after crashing into a tree in northeast Tulsa
- Osage County sheriff plagued by oil spills, leaks and tangled web of agencies
- Tulsa World editorial: State considers special parole docket for aging prisoners
- Two more Tulsa County flu deaths bring state total to 92 this season

- Rep. Markwayne Mullin calls 'bullcrap' at town hall in Jay: 'This is a service. No one here pays me to go'
- Rated XXX! Family Videos Show Scenes of Suspected Rapes
- Made in Oklahoma: 'Mother of all bombs' dropped in Afghanistan could have come from McAlester
- Tulsa psychiatric hospital Shadow Mountain being investigated after abuse, neglect claims

## Join the conversation.

Anyone can post a comment on Tulsa World stories. You can either sign in to your Tulsa World account or use Facebook.

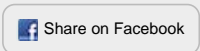
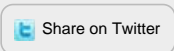
[Sign in to your online account](#) . If you don't have an account, [create one](#) for free . To comment through Facebook, please [sign in to your account](#) before you comment.

Read our [commenting policy](#).

ifanch-208



Large empty text input area for a comment.



Your real name will display with your post.

Print comments

Drillers drop home opener. Sports, B1

Tulsa franchise stays fun and formative. SCENE, D 11

**TULSA WORLD** *Trump backpats on key campaign issues. News, A6*

FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 2017

DE. SPILL • Osage County sheriff plagued by oil spills, leaks and tangled web of agencies

**U.S. drops 'mother of all bombs' on ISIS**

Perogian says U.S. forces in Afghanistan dropped ally's largest-ever nuclear bomb on ISIS targets

**No cure for sickened land**

Oil spill cleanup in Osage County leaves behind a mess of dead animals and sickened people

**MOAB could have come from McAlester**

Rep. Mullin says U.S. forces in Afghanistan dropped ally's largest-ever nuclear bomb on ISIS targets

**LEGISLATURE • Sponsor says bill won't open classroom to 'wacko' theories**

Science education bill advances in House

**MOBILE**

**LOTTERY**

5/23 - \$3,000

10/23 - \$10,000

15/23 - \$25,000

20/23 - \$50,000

25/23 - \$100,000

30/23 - \$250,000

35/23 - \$500,000

40/23 - \$1,000,000

45/23 - \$2,500,000

50/23 - \$5,000,000

55/23 - \$10,000,000

60/23 - \$25,000,000

65/23 - \$50,000,000

70/23 - \$100,000,000

75/23 - \$250,000,000

80/23 - \$500,000,000

85/23 - \$1,000,000,000

90/23 - \$2,500,000,000

95/23 - \$5,000,000,000

100/23 - \$10,000,000,000

**Easter Brunch**

FIRESIDE **VISIONS** **RIVER SPIRIT CASINO RESORT**

Featuring Smoked Salmon Biscuits & Orange Flavored Pancakes

Featuring Smoky Breakfast Pancakes & Grilled Ham

500 S. AVENUE PARKWAY TULSA, OK

**REPORTERS, EDITORS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS CREATE REAL NEWS. JOURNALISM YOU CAN TRUST.**

#SupportRealNews

NEWS MEDIA ALLIANCE

**TWM**

**SOUNDS OF TULSA**

**Order Today**



Empty input fields for user registration or search.

Sign up for email newsletters

Email:  Save

- Breaking News
- Daily Headlines
- NEW! Obituaries
- DailyDealTulsa.com Offers
- Contests & Special Promotions
- E-edition\*
- Latest Headlines at 4 pm
- OU Sports
- OSU Sports
- TU Sports
- High School Sports
- Food & Restaurants
- Weekend: Things to Do
- Home & Garden
- Downtown Tulsa
- Real Estate
- Outdoors



Customer Service/Questions on online accounts or subscription access: 918-582-0921, 800-444-6552, [circulation@tulsaworld.com](mailto:circulation@tulsaworld.com)

Newsroom: 918-581-8400, [news@tulsaworld.com](mailto:news@tulsaworld.com)

Website: [web@tulsaworld.com](mailto:web@tulsaworld.com)

Place a print ad: 918-581-8510, [advertising@tulsaworld.com](mailto:advertising@tulsaworld.com)

Place a digital ad: 918-581-8525, [scott.baker@tulsaworld.com](mailto:scott.baker@tulsaworld.com)

Place a recruitment ad: 918-732-8140, [careerads@tulsaworld.com](mailto:careerads@tulsaworld.com)

Place a classified ad: 918-583-2121, [advertising@tulsaworld.com](mailto:advertising@tulsaworld.com)

Place a legal notice ad: 918-581-7326

Address: 315 S. Boulder Ave. Tulsa, OK 74103

Sections

- Home
- News
- Sports
- Work & Money
- Scene
- Communities
- Opinion
- Jobs
- Browse job categories
- Browse job subcategories
- Weekend
- Weather
- Photo
- Video
- Obits
- Contests
- Classifieds
- Special Reports

Info

- About Us
- Contact Us
- Corrections
- Subscription Services
- Add Search Toolbar
- Privacy Policy
- Advertise
- Store
- Contractor
- Apply to be a carrier
- Careers

Search

Search in:

- All
- News
- Sports
- Business
- Scene
- Communities
- Blogs
- Opinion
- Weekend
- Photovideo
- Investigations
- Obituaries
- Photos
- Video