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"There are more than eight million songs available and new material is added all the time," said Sue Anderson, Tulsa City-County Library's Collection Management manager. "Freegal Movies offers access to a variety of streaming movies and TV that appeals to everyone. They also regularly add popular classics, award-winning indie films, anime and children's titles. Each service is perfect for the entire family."

All Tulsa City-County Library's locations have instructions for setting your own Freegal account using your library card. Or you can access instructions at [www.tulsalibrary.org/music](http://www.tulsalibrary.org/music).

For more information on Tulsa City-County Library services, call the AskUs Hotline, 918.549.7323, or visit the library's webpage, [www.tulsalibrary.org](http://www.tulsalibrary.org).

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To participate, register online at [www.kidsbowlfree.com](http://www.kidsbowlfree.com) and you'll receive vouchers via email every Sunday that are valid for two free bowling games each day for the entire week for the duration of the summer.

The Tulsa location is Andy B's at 8711 S. Lewis. For more information visit [www.kidsbowlfree.com](http://www.kidsbowlfree.com).

## SPOKEASY BENEFITS TULSA HUB

Tulsa Hub, a non-profit organization whose mission is to "change live through cycling" is holding its first fundraising event on Thursday, April 23. "Spokeasy" will be at the JL Rucker Warehouse located at 1227 S. Detroit beginning at 6:30 p.m. with dinner at 7:30 p.m. The event will feature music, dancing and a silent auction (including handmade art pieces made out of bicycle parts from local celebrity artists).

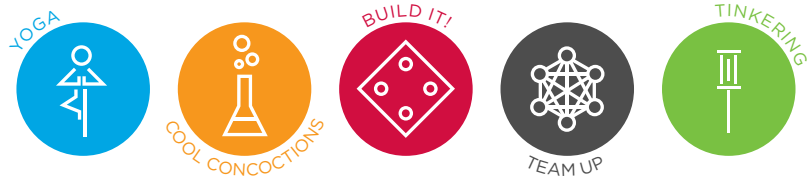
Tulsa Hub will honor two longtime supporters: Ed McDonald will receive the Silver Spoke award for his dedication as a volunteer; and Mary McMahan will be honored with the inaugural Golden Gear award for her dedication as a philanthropic donor and founding board member of the Tulsa Hub.

Tulsa Hub is the belief in human power, made visible. It is the only not-for-profit in Oklahoma providing certified bicycling-for-transportation education, refurbished bicycles, safety gear and follow-up support to the impoverished, mentally ill or otherwise disenfranchised of our community.

Sponsorships are available. For information or for individual tickets, contact the Tulsa Hub, 918.813.0028 or visit [tulsahub.org](http://tulsahub.org).



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# 2015 Anne V. Zarrow Award for Young Readers' Literature is Sharon Draper

New York Times best-selling author **Sharon Draper** is the winner of the Tulsa Library Trust's 2015 Anne V. Zarrow Award for Young Readers' Literature. She will accept the award at a public presentation at Hardesty Regional Library's Connor's Cove, 8316 E. 93rd St., Aug. 28, 2015 at 7 p.m. She also will present awards to winners of the 2015 Young People's Creative Writing Contest awards at the ceremony. Her visit culminates the 2015 children's and teen summer reading programs.

Draper is being recognized for writing more than 30 books for children and teens. Before establishing her successful career as a writer, Draper taught for more than 25 years in Cincinnati public schools as a language-arts teacher sharing the beauty and power of words. She was selected as Ohio's Outstanding High School Language Arts Educator, Ohio Teacher of the Year, and National Teacher of the Year in 1997.

Accepting the challenge from one of her students to enter a literary contest, she submitted the short story, "One Small Torch," and was awarded the first prize of \$5,000 and the publication of her story. This literary



recognition fueled her desire to use stories to help students comprehend the complex relation-

ships throughout society.

"Tears of a Tiger," her first young adult novel published in

1994, received numerous awards, including the American Library Association/Coretta Scott King Award for an outstanding new book. It also was honored as an American Library Association Best Book for Young Adults. "Forged by Fire," the sequel to "Tears of a Tiger," earned the 1997 Coretta Scott King Award, as well as the American Library Association's Best Book Award. "Darkness Before Dawn," the third installment in the trilogy, received the Children's Choice Award from the International Reading Association.

The U.S. State Department and the International Reading Association selected Draper's book "Copper Sun" for the 2009 Reading Across Continents program. This work of historical fiction follows 15-year-old Amari, forced on a slave ship bound for the Carolinas, as she struggles with life as a slave on a plantation. The Reading Across Continents program encourages students from Nigeria, Ghana and the U.S. to foster an interest in reading and culture.

Draper's most awarded book, "Out of My Mind," was published in 2010 and was at the top of the New York Times' best-seller list for nine weeks. Fifth-grade student Melody struggles to overcome the physical limita-

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tions from cerebral palsy and communicate her insightful observations. From critics to parents and educators, Draper was applauded for her authentic story of love and perseverance.

"Out of My Mind" received the Josette Frank Award by the Children's Book Committee of the Bank Street College of Education. This award for fiction honors a book of outstanding literary merit in which young people deal in a positive and realistic way with difficulties in their world and grow emotionally and morally. "Out of My Mind" also has been translated into more than 10 languages in selected to 32 state reading lists.

The Anne V. Zarrow Award for Young Readers' Literature gives formal recognition, on behalf of the Tulsa County community, to a nationally acclaimed author who has made a significant contribution to the field of literature for young adults. The award, presented by the Tulsa Library Trust, consists of a \$7,500 cash prize and an engraved crystal book. It is presented as the culmination of the children's and teen summer reading programs.

Past winners include: Jack Gantos (2014), Jim Murphy (2013), Jacqueline Woodson (2012), Kathryn Lasky (2011), Phyllis Reynolds Naylor (2010), Christopher Paul Curtis (2009), Louis Sachar (2008), Kate DiCamillo (2007), Sharon Creech (2006), Avi (2005), Susan Cooper (2004), Russell Freedman (2003), Richard Peck (2002), E.L. Konigsburg (2001), Jerry Spinelli (2000), Jane Yolen (1999), Cynthia Voigt (1998), Gary Paulsen (1997), Walter Dean Myers (1996), Lois Lowry (1994), Katherine Paterson (1993), Madeleine L'Engle (1992) and S.E. Hinton (1991).

For more information on the Anne V. Zarrow Award for Young Readers' Literature or Mr. Henry's Books Teacher Workshop, call the AskUs Hotline, 918-549-7323, or visit the library's website, [www.tulsalibrary.org](http://www.tulsalibrary.org).



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- 6th grade girls basketball team won state championship runner-up in the Diocese Postseason Tournament.
- 8th grade boys took the MACBA Championship in Tulsa.
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BY JACKIE HILL

## Tulsa Eva Unterman describes childhood during the Holocaust

In August of 1944, the Nazis liquidated the Lodz Ghetto in Poland. Among the last prisoners to leave were 250 male and 250 female Jews deemed “essential” workers in one of the ghetto’s slave labor factories. This group of 500 was transported directly to Auschwitz, but their ordeal did not start or end there. Tulsa resident Eva Unterman was on that transport.

This “hellish” ordeal began for Eva and her family five years earlier, in the summer of 1939 when Eva was just 6 years old and very much looking forward to starting first grade in September. As an only child, Eva and her middle-class Jewish family lived in a lovely, spacious apartment in the center of Lodz, Poland. It was her family’s tradition to spend their summers in the beautiful country village of Zakowice. This summer vacation, however, abruptly came to a close on Sept. 1, 1939, as word reached the family that the Nazis had invaded Poland.

Life instantly turned upside down for Eva as her father was no longer allowed to go to work, food was rationed and Jews were forced to wear the yellow star in public. The once-happy Eva was



EVA UNTERMAN AT A TRAIN STATION IN POLAND.

not allowed to start school; instead, her family, including both grandmothers and other relatives, as well as more than 40,000 other Jews, were forcibly “resettled” to the Lodz Ghetto, where Eva and her family moved into one room of a dilapidated apartment building without heat and bathrooms. This would be the family’s “home” for the next four and a half years.

“Life in the ghetto was terrible,” said Eva. “Hunger, disease and fear of deportation were constant. People were afraid we would be sent to Chelmno (an extermination camp), because it was nearby. We never heard the word Auschwitz.”

When the Nazis liquidated the Lodz Ghetto in 1944, 11-year-old Eva and her family, among

others in the ghetto, were told to assemble at the train station, where they were crammed into cattle cars for several days.

“We didn’t know where we were going and there was no food or water,” said Eva. “When the doors opened, men and women were separated. My father went to one side, and my grandmother, mother and I went in another group. We were then processed: our clothing was taken, our heads were shaved and we had a group shower. We were in Auschwitz for only a few days before we were transported to Stutthof concentration camp on the Baltic.”

The Nazis murdered 1.5 million Jewish children and thousands of Sinti and Roma (Gypsy) children during the Holocaust. Eva credits her miraculous survival mostly to her mother, whom Eva said protected her in “the middle of all this hell.”

Since 1978, tens of thousands of area students have heard Eva Unterman share her story. Now, for the first time, Eva will tell the story of this remarkable transport of 500 Jews to the community at-large as the featured speaker for Tulsa’s annual Yom HaShoah/Interfaith Holo-

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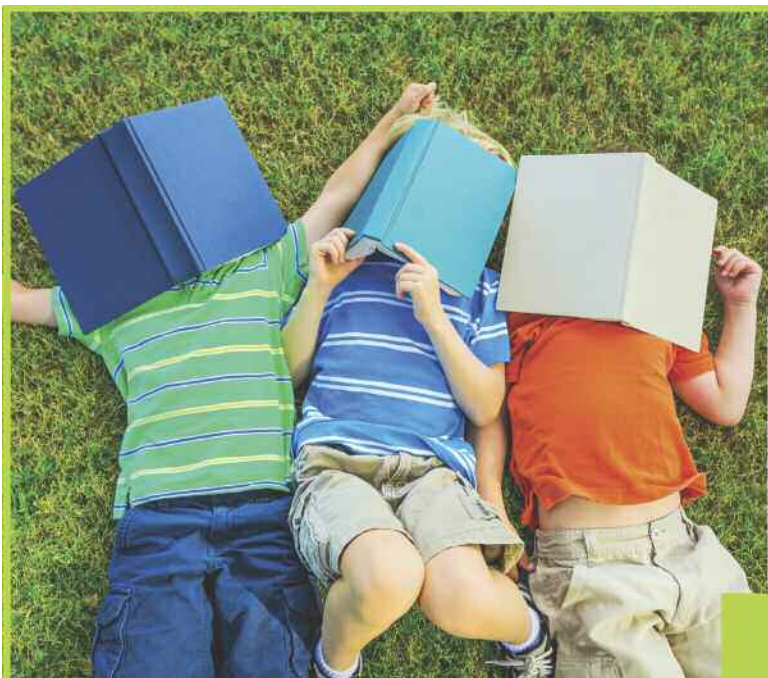
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The commemoration is free and open to the public. Parking is limited at B'nai Emunah, but overflow parking will be available at Temple Israel, 2004 E. 22nd Place. A free shuttle service from Temple Israel to B'nai will begin at 6 p.m. and resume for an hour following the event.

As in past years, the com-

memoration program includes an exhibit of projects created by Tulsa area students of the Holocaust. In addition, music will be performed, and there will be a candle lighting in memory of the Jewish children of Lodz who were killed in the Holocaust. Plus, the Tulsa City-County Library will have available for checkout many Holocaust books and media.

Contact the Jewish Federation of Tulsa at 918-495-1100 for more information about the commemoration.