2020 will mark the 115th year of the Chickasha Public Library. A lot has happened in that time and we want to celebrate! We are preparing a written history of the Library complete with a scrapbook of photos and news articles. If you have any pictures or news articles about the Library that you would like to share, please bring them in and talk to Michelle or Lillie. Also, if you have a memory you would like to share about the Library write it down and get it to us or if you prefer, we’ll write it for you please make an appointment with Michelle or Lillie. If you were on the Library Board or were employed at the Library, please contact us by calling 405-222-6075. We would like to make sure that our information is correct, we would like to know names and dates and photos to go with them would be great! Let’s enjoy the process. For additional information, please call the number above or ask at the front desk.

Chapter Chat

Chapter Chat is a monthly book discussion group for adults, that meets on the last Monday of the month. Chapter Chat is shaking things up during 2019. The group is asking a few questions, Books or Movies? Which is better? Do you like movies? Do you enjoy comparing the book to its film counterpart? That’s what the Chapter Chat group is doing in 2019. In 2019 we are planning to read books that have been or will be made into movies. For January we are reading The Circle by Dave Eggers, however there will be no film shown at the Library this month. Please come and discuss the book and film if you have seen it. In February we plan to read Crazy Rich Asians by Kevin Kwan and we will be watching the movie at the Library. Whether you read the physical book, the e-book, or listen to it anyway is excellent. These books are available to you in a variety of formats you can check out a physical book at the Chickasha Public Library, or you can use your Chickasha Public Library card to access the Oklahoma Virtual Library where you can get a copy of the book in e-book or e-audio form. For additional information, please call the Library at 405-222-6075, or contact us on our Library Facebook page.

Best Books of 2018

Are you looking for an interesting and captivating book to read? Here are some of the best books from 2018, all of which are available for check out at the Chickasha Public Library (with each book’s shelf location in parentheses). According to the New York Times, Asymmetry by Lisa Halliday (Fiction Halliday) is “a first novel that reads like the work of an author who has published many books over many years, and it manages to be, all at once, a transgressive roman à clef, a novel of ideas and a politically engaged work of metafiction.” There There by Tommy Orange (Fiction Orange) tells the interconnected stories of a group of Native Americans in California who are traveling to a powwow. If you are interested in award-winning historical fiction, Washington Black by Esi Edugyan (Fiction Edugyan) is the winner of the 2018 Giller Prize and is set in Barbados in the 1830s during the last days of slavery. The Great Believers by Rebecca Makkai (Fiction Makkai) has been nominated for the Booker Prize, and the National Book Award and its story centers around the early years of the AIDS epidemic. For nonfiction readers, How to Change Your Mind by Michael Pollan (615.7 Pollan) details the history and science of psychedelic drugs and how it relates to consciousness. Barracoon by Zora Neale Hurston (306.3 Hurston) recounts the life of Cudjo Lewis, who was the last known person to be captured in Africa and sold into slavery in the United States. If you are seeking memoirs and current events, NPR recommends Becoming by Michelle Obama (Biography Obama), In Pieces by Sally Field (Biography Field), and Fear by Bob Woodward (973.933 Woodward).