Meet Read Around Pinellas
Author, Larry Baker

Larry Baker, author of this year’s 5th Annual Read Around Pinellas selection, The Flamingo Rising, will be making public appearances as part of the event’s closing festivities. The Pinellas Public Library Cooperative invites everyone to attend programs December 8-10, 2006 throughout Pinellas County. Programs include:

Friday, December 8
Larry Baker Discussion: The Author’s Perspective at 1:30 pm
Palm Harbor Library, 2330 Nebraska Ave, Palm Harbor
Writers Workshop featuring Larry Baker at 6:30 pm
St. Petersburg Main Library, 3745 – 9th Ave N, St. Petersburg

Saturday, December 9
Celebrate Reading! A Holiday Breakfast Tea with Larry Baker
10:00 am at Safety Harbor Library
101 Second Street N, Safety Harbor
Meet the Author & Book Signing at 2:00 pm
Borders, 2683 Gulf to Bay Blvd, Clearwater

Sunday, December 10
The Author’s Program & Reception at 2:00 pm at Largo Library,
120 Central Park Drive, Largo
Enjoy Florida folk music with Pete Gallagher and Kelly Green,
co-hosts of the Florida Folk Show on WMNF. Following the
musical presentation, guests will meet author Larry Baker,
The Flamingo Rising, and discuss this year’s novel. Light
refreshments will be served.

For more information, please contact Paula Godfrey at the Pinellas
Public Library Cooperative at (727) 441-8408 or visit our Web site at
www.pplc.us.

Pinellas Library Literacy Programs Receive Target Grants

At the Grand Opening of the new Target Superstore in Odessa, Florida, Mary A. Brown, Executive Director and Paula Godfrey, Projects & Grants Coordinator of the Pinellas Public Library Cooperative received an award of $5,000 for two library literacy programs. The Deaf Literacy Center received $2,000 to support literacy through the arts programming and the Born to Read program received $3,000 for early childhood reading advancement. These funds will enhance the services provided to Pinellas County residents at their local libraries. The funds for the Deaf Literacy Center project will enable a Deaf Arts Festival to be held in the spring. The Born to Read program will utilize funds to incorporate Family Reading Parties into their current services which include teen parenting classes, community outreach programs, storytimes at local libraries and partnering health agencies, and presentations with the school system.

For more information, please contact Paula Godfrey at the Pinellas Public Library Cooperative at (727) 441-8408.

Palm Harbor Friends Receive Office Depot Donation

Office Depot celebrated the grand opening of its first store in Palm Harbor on Thursday, October 5. During the ribbon-cutting ceremony, the company donated $500 and a supply of children’s backpacks filled with school supplies to the Friends of the Palm Harbor Library and two other non-profit organizations, Library Director, Gene Coppola, Assistant Director and Head of Youth Services, Lois Eannel, and President of the Friends of the Library, Jane Branch receive the check from store manager Jeff Kuczkowski.

Gulf Beaches Homework Center

Gulf Beaches Public Library is pleased to announce the establishment of a free Homework Center to support students in grades 1 thru 5. The library is happy to be able to connect young students to mentors who will help them improve their literacy and study skills.

The Homework Center is staffed by two volunteers who are certified retired elementary school teachers who will guide students to resources and materials they will need to successfully complete their school assignments. Mentors will consult with students about their daily assignments and projects and also help locate the appropriate library materials. The Homework Center opens every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 3:30 – 5:00 pm.

For more information about the Homework Center and to sign up for the program, stop by the library and ask for Crystal or call 391-2828 ext. 202. The library is located at 200 Municipal Drive in the City of Madeira Beach.
## Computer Classes

### Clearwater Public Library System

**Main Library**

To register for computer classes, please call 562-4970 x5036. Registration is on a first-come, first-call basis and opens on the Monday of the class.

**Introduction to the Internet:** Wednesday, December 13, 10:00 am.

**Introduction to E-mail:** Wednesday, December 20, 10:00 am.

**Introduction to MS Windows:** Wednesday, December 6, 10:00 am.

**Introduction to MS Word:** Wednesday, December 20, 7:00 pm.

**Internet Basics:** Wednesday, December 6, 10:00 pm.

**Computer Skills for the Deaf:** Tuesdays, December 5, 10:00 am.

**Using Search Engines:** Fridays, 11:00 am.

**Optimizing Your Computer:** Fridays, 10:00 am. (Classes will alternate) The intro to computers (Group classes)

**Intro to Computers/Basic Internet & E-mail**

**One-on-One Computer Help:** Wednesday, December 6, 9:30 am.

**Internet for Beginners:** Wednesday, December 6, 10:00 am.

**E-Mail:** Friday, December 8, 10:00 am. Basic computer skills and internet experience required.

**intro to Computers/Basic Internet & E-mail** (Group Classes)

**Family Tree Maker Group:** Saturday, December 2, 10:00 am-noon.

**Intro to Computers:** Fridays, 10:00 am. (Classes will alternate) The intro to computers class is designed for adults with no knowledge of computers.

**Seminole Community Library**

**Get Comfortable with your Computer:** Saturday, December 2, 1:00-5:00 pm. SPC registration required/$25.00.

**Welcome to E-Mail & the Internet:** Saturday, December 9, 1:00-5:00 pm. SPC registration required/$25.00.

**Selling on EBay:** Monday, December 18, 6:30-8:00 pm. Includes planned activities and a question-and-answer session.

**Pinellas Park Public Library**

**Optimizing Your Computer:** Wednesday, December 13, 7:00 pm. Instructor, Mark Opyd. For more information visit www.marcomp.com

**Safety Harbor Public Library**

**Buying on EBay:** Friday, December 1, 9:30-10:30 am.

**Right Clicking in Windows:** Thursday, December 7, 6:30-7:45 pm by Joe Cortese.

**Computer Tutorials:** One-on-one 15-minute hands-on computer tutorials covering basic computer skills or a focused task. Call for appointment.

**St. Pete Beach Public Library**

**Polaris PowerPAC:** On-going. Tips for using the Library’s online catalog and premium databases. Sign up at the Reference Desk.

**St. Petersburg Public Library System**

**One-on-One Internet Training:** Call for an appointment

**Catalog Training:** Polaris Power Pac: Mondays, 2:00 pm & Fridays, 11:00 am.

**Johnson Branch**

**Introduction to the Internet:** Mondays, 7:00–8:00 pm. Starts 1st Monday of each month, for four weeks. Registration required.

**Mirror Lake Branch**

**Registration required for all classes.

**Elementary Computer Skills:** (Group class) Friday, December 1, 3:00 pm.

**One-on-One Computer Training:** Thursdays, 10:00 am.

**Catalog Training:** Tapping the Power of Polaris, Tuesday, December 5, 3:00 pm.

**Basic Internet & E-mail** (Individual Classes) Wednesdays, 10:00 am. Designed for adults with a least an introductory knowledge of computers.

**South Branch**

**Intro to Computers/Basic Internet & E-mail** (Group Classes)

**Seminole Community Library**

**Get Comfortable with your Computer:** Saturday, December 2, 1:00-5:00 pm. SPC registration required/$25.00.

**Welcome to E-Mail & the Internet:** Saturday, December 9, 1:00-5:00 pm. SPC registration required/$25.00.

**Tarpon Springs Public Library**

**Registration is required for all computer classes.

**Internet Basics:** Wednesday, December 6, 3:00 pm.

**Computer Basics:** Tuesday, December 12, 1:00 pm.
**Adult Programs**

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**Clearwater Public Library System**

**Main Library**

FILMS ON THE BLUFF—The Best of Art House Cinema: Tuesday, December 12, 2:00 pm. Joyeux Noël.

**Poetry Nights:** Thursday, December 21, 7:00 pm. Open mike with the Tampa Bay Poetry Foundation. Bring your own poetry or read favorite works.

**Menus @ Main:** Thursday, December 14, 12:00 pm. Bill Mitchell whips up a Holiday Cookies themed meal. First 25 to arrive at the program will be given tickets to the sample table.

**Countrywide Branch**

**Real Lives Biography Series:** Wednesdays, 2:00 pm. December 6: Jimmy Stewart: His Wonderful Life; December 13: Theodore Roosevelt: Roughrider to Rushmore; December 20: Diana: The True Story; December 27: Danny Thomas: Make Room for Danny.

**Deaf Literacy Center**

**Safety Harbor Library**


**Basic Deaf Literacy:** Wednesdays, December 6 & 13, 6:30-8:00 pm. Includes reading, writing and computer skills. Call for appointment.

**Adult Beginners Sign Language:** Mondays, December 4 & 11, 6:00 pm. A continued 16 week course.

**Adult Intermediate Sign Language:** Mondays, December 4 & 11, 7:00 pm. A continued 16 week course.

**St. Petersburg Library South Branch**

Individual Tutoring for the Dead: Tuesdays December 5 & 12, 3:00-5:00 pm. Call for an appointment.

**Adult Intermediate Sign Language:** Tuesdays, December 5 & 12, 6:00 pm. A continued 16 week course.

**Adult Beginners Sign Language:** Tuesdays, December 5 & 12, 7:00 pm. A continued 16 week course.

**Palm Harbor Library**

Individual Tutoring for the Deaf: Tuesdays, December 5 & 12, 2:00-4:00 pm Call for appointment.

**Adult Beginners Sign Language:** Tuesdays, December 5 & 12, 6:30 pm. A continued 16 week course.

**Pinellas Park Library**

Individual Tutoring for the Deaf: Thursdays, December 7 & 14, 2:00-4:00 pm Call for appointment.

**Adult Beginner Sign Language: Thursday, December 7 & 14, 5:00-6:00 pm or 6:00-7:00 pm. A continued 16 week course.

**Dunedin Public Library**

Tuesdays at Two Film Program: 2:00 pm. December Theme: "Horatio Hornblower, (A & E 4-Part Series) The Duel: December 5; The Fire Ships: December 12; The Duchess and the Devil: December 19; The Wrong War: December 27.

**Genealogy Assistance:** Thursdays, 1:00-3:00 pm. Members of The Caladesi Chapter of the DAR are here to assist you.

**Literacy Program:** The Literacy Council of Upper Pinellas holds ongoing tutor training in English as a Second Language (ESL) and Basic Literacy. Call if you’re interested in becoming a tutor or have any questions about our program.

**Chess Club:** (All ages) Thursday, December 21, 4:00-6:00 pm.

**Outreach Program for Adults:** If someone you know is homebound in Dunedin and would like monthly deliveries of library materials (books and/or cassette/CD books), please call our Outreach Department.

**East Lake Community Library**

**Friends of East Lake Community Library:** Thursday, December 7, 6:30 pm.

**Electronic Greeting Cards Class:** Friday, December 8, 9:00 am. Learn to make greeting cards for the holidays. Registration required.

**ELCL Writer’s Critique Group:** Monday, December 11, 6:30-8:00 pm. Bring something to read and have critiqued, or bring your critical skills to help someone else become a better writer.

**Advisory Board:** Tuesday, December 12, 6:00 pm.

**AM Coffee Café:** Fridays, 10:00 am-noon. Enjoy coffee and a snack while browsing for your books.

**Gulf Beaches Public Library**

**Film Movement:** Tuesday, December 5, 5:30 pm. Monster Thursday.

**Travel Film:** Wednesday, December, 2:00 pm. New Jersey.

**Investment Club:** Thursdays, 2:30 pm.

**Spanish Language Classes:** Thursdays, 5:00 pm.

**Writer’s Group:** Thursdays, 10:00 am.

**Gulfport Public Library**

**Scrapbookers Club for Adults and Teens:** Saturday, December 9, 1:00 pm. Make beautiful pages of memories. Some supplies available, but you need to furnish your own 12x12 scrapbook album.

**Socrates Café:** These monthly discussion groups were inspired by the book The Six Questions of Socrates. Thursday, December 14, 10:00 am & Friday, December 29, 6:00 pm.

**Study Group:** Tuesday, December 5, 1:00 pm. Presented by local chapter of Brandeis University Women.

**Genealogy Discussion Group:** Saturday, December 23, 1:00 pm. Meet and share experiences and information with others interested in delving into their family history.

**Largo Library**

**The Author’s Program & Reception:** Sunday, December 10, 2:00 pm. Join us for the closing celebration for the 5th Annual Read Around Pinellas event. Sponsored by the Pinellas Public Library Cooperative.

**Small Business Counseling:** Wednesdays, 11:30 am-1:30 pm & Thursday, December 14, 5:30-7:30 pm. Free small business counseling provided by the Largo Mid-Pinellas Chamber of Commerce.

**Books-To-Film Cinema Series:** Sunday, December 10, 1:30-4:30 pm. No Books-To-Film this month. Join us instead to meet author Larry Baker as he discusses his book The Flamingo Rising.

**Poetry Readings—Poets Live!** Monday, December 11, 6:00-8:30 pm. Open mic poetry readings. Come and voice your passion at the Library.

**Genealogy Computer Interest Group:** Saturday, December 16, 9:45 am. This forum is an informal discussion group in a question and answer format on anything related to the use of computers in genealogy.

**Pinellas Genealogy Society:** Saturday, December 16, 11:00 am. Update on the PGS projects and volunteer recognition with election of officers for 2007 and holiday party.

**Music in the Cafe:** Monday, December 18, 6:30-8:30 pm. Join us for two hours of music featuring a local musician and songwriter.

**Palm Harbor Library**

Larry Baker Discussion: The Author’s Perspective: Friday, December 8, 1:30 pm. A Read Around Pinellas public appearance with the author of The Flamingo Rising. Larry Baker. Sponsored by the Pinellas Public Library Cooperative.

**Celebrate the Season-The Giving Tree:** Palm Harbor Library and The Haven have again partnered this year to provide gifts for young victims of domestic violence. Please take one or more ornaments from the Giving Tree in the lobby beginning November 15. Monetary donations are also accepted. All unwrapped gifts must be brought to the library by Friday, December 15.

**Socrates Café:** Wednesday, December 6, 6:00-7:45 pm. Thought-provoking questions are put into a jar, and facilitator Gene Mag selects one to discuss. See www.philosopher.org for details.
**Jazz in the Stacks:** Sunday, December 10, at 3:00 pm. Frank Greenstreet will lead the Clam Bayou Jazz Band in a program entitled “Christmas in New Orleans”.

**Writer’s Group:** Tuesday, December 12, 6:30 pm. Anyone interested in writing is welcome. Bring one of your writing projects to share!

**Opera @ Your Library:** Sunday, December 17, 3:00 pm. Vocalists from the Sunstate Opera Society will perform Christmas favorites.

**Literacy:** Call if you are interested in becoming a tutor or student and have questions about our literacy program.

**Genealogy:** Genealogy help is available in the Reference Department from 1:00-4:00 pm Monday-Friday.

**Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing:** Wednesday, December 13, 10:00 am-12:00 pm. A representative from Florida Telecommunications Relay will offer special phones and ring-signaling devices to qualified deaf or hard-of-hearing residents. Call 399-9983 (voice) or 399-9422 (TTY) for details.

**ESOL Tutoring:** English-speaking volunteers are needed to tutor ESOL.

**Friends of the Library Book Sale:** Saturday, December 9, 10:00 am-12:00 pm. A Read Around Pinellas public appearance with the author of Meet the Author: Larry Baker: Main Library down.

**Keep in Stitches:** Friday, December 8, 2:00 pm. A hand sewing group for all ages.

**Screening/Discussion of A Prairie Home Companion:** Friday, December 15, 1:00 pm. Garrison Keillor and the cast perform one more time before the Fitzgerald Theater’s new owner shuts them down.

**St. Petersburg Public Library System**

**Main Library**

**Meet the Author:** Larry Baker: Friday, December 8, 6:30 pm. A Read Around Pinellas public appearance with the author of The Flamingo Rising, Larry Baker. Co-sponsored by the Pinellas Public Library Cooperative and the Florida Writers’ Association.

**Book Signing:** Tuesday, December 5, 7:00 pm. Judy Wells, author of C. Perry Snell: his place in St. Petersburg, Florida history.

**Madrigalians from St. Petersburg College:** Saturday, December 9, 2:00 pm. Annual Holiday program.

**Adults’ Craft Circle:** Saturdays, 9:00 am-noon. Open session-stop in, as you please but kindly bring no children.

**Mirror Lake Branch**

**First Night St. Petersburg:** Storytelling for all ages! Sunday, December 31, 7:00 pm.

**South Branch**

**English for Speakers of Other Languages:** Wednesdays, 3:30-5:00 pm. For new learners of the English language.

**Holiday Party:** Saturday, December 16, 2:00 pm. Join the South Friends and staff for an afternoon of holiday stories, carols, crafts and visit from a very special guest.

**West Community Library**

**Family Story Time:** (All ages) Thursday, December 7, 7:00 pm. Holiday Tales.

**Seminole Community Library**

**AARP Safe Driving:** Wednesday, December 13 & Friday, December 15, 9:00 am.

**Classic Movie Matinee:** Fridays, 1:00 pm. Free popcorn & sodas. December 1: Forever Darling; December 8: Homeward Bound; December 15: The Fortune Cookie; December 22: The Christmas Star; December 29: Fly Away Home.

**Sean Scott Medicaid Seminar:** Tuesday, December 5, 2:00 pm.

**Hidden Stitches:** Wednesday, December 20, 6:30 pm.

**Toastmasters:** Tuesdays, 6:00 pm.

**Suicide Prevention:** Monday, December 11, 7:00 pm.

**Mom’s Club:** Monday, December 4, 10:00 am.

**Parkinson’s Support Group:** Thursday, December 14, 6:00 pm.

**Implant Dentistry:** Wednesday, December 6, 3:30 pm.

**Tarpon Springs Public Library**

**Genealogy Assistance with John Kiwala:** Mondays, 10:00 am-4:00 pm.

**Genealogy Assistance with Ken Nichola:** Tuesdays, 10:00 am-4:00 pm.

**Writers Group:** Fridays, 10:00 am.

**Friends of the Library Author Luncheon Series:** Tuesday, December 1, 11:30 am. Featuring authors Megan Hussey and Gloria Madden. The cost is $15 and includes a boxed lunch. Call 944-3042 to register.

**Tarpon Springs Investment Group:** Wednesday, December 6, 6:30 pm. Topic: Using Market Breadth to Forecast Stock Market Trends. Call 632-7491 to register.

**Bay Knit Wits:** Wednesday, December 13, 6:30 pm. Knitting and crochet group for all ages.

**From the Cook’s Shelf:** Wednesday, December 13, 7:00 pm. Cookbook discussion group. This month’s topic: 101 Recipes for Turkey Leftovers.

**History Discussion Group:** Thursday, December 14, 1:30-3:30 pm. Topic: Canadian History. Special guest speaker, Keith Rosser.

**Sol Peska Film Series:** Thursday, December 14, 2:00 pm.

**Holiday Concert:** Friday, December 15, 5:00 pm. Special performance by the Tarpon Springs High School Choral department.

**The Dream Station of Tarpon Springs:** Wednesday, December 20, 7:00 pm. Substance abuse and awareness lecture.

**Free Blood Pressure Screening:** Thursday, December 21, 1:00-3:00 pm. Provided by Helen Ellis Home Care.
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December 1
Dunedin Public Library
Old Fashioned Christmas: 6:00-10:00 pm. Downtown Dunedin/Broadway. Join us downtown for this special City event. There will be music, old-fashioned crafts, toys from the past, train rides and lots of food. The Library will be telling stories at the Chamber of Commerce.

December 3
Pinellas Park Public Library
Friends of the Pinellas Park Library Annual Meeting & Clam Bayou Jazz Band Concert: Meeting 2:45 pm, Concert 3:00 pm. Join us for a "tote tapping" holiday afternoon as the Clam Bayou Jazz Band presents "Christmas in New Orleans". Co-sponsored by Recording Industries Music Performance Trust Fund. Refreshments served.

December 4
Clearwater Public Library System
East Branch
Reptiles Presented By Moccasin Lake Nature Park: 3:00 pm. Live animals and hands-on learning with Rachel Franklin.

Largo Library
Women's Legacy Writing Workshop: 2:00-4:30 pm. Join instructor Jan Golden in this two-part memoir writing workshop as you capture memories, create a personal history and share your experiences with others.

December 5
Dunedin Public Library
Suppressed I Rise: A Woman's Struggle Through WWII: 7:00 pm. Join us for an evening with Ursula and Hans Bracker, who will present Adeline L. Perry's book Suppressed I Rise.

December 7
Clearwater Public Library System
Main Library
Resume Writing Tips And Techniques: 12:00-1:00 pm. Betty Hardy from Pinellas Technical Education Centers shares tips on creating effective resumes and participants are welcome to bring their resumes for feedback. Class is limited to first twenty persons who arrive.

Deaf Literacy Center
Safety Harbor Public Library
Spotlight on Deafness: 6:00-7:30 pm. Learn about a Deaf young woman raised in a Deaf household. Jennifer will share her language, cultural, educational and social experiences. Invite your family and friends!

Dunedin Public Library
Intergenerational Week Special
Story Time: 10:00 am. We will meet at Neighborly Care Network – Adult Day Care, 820 New York Avenue, Dunedin, FL. This will be a special storytelling with our senior friends.

East Lake Community Library
A Victorian Christmas
Celebration: (All ages) 6:00 pm. A visit from a Victorian Santa and Victorian Lady to explain the history of Santa Claus/St. Nicholas and other holiday traditions. We will end up by decorating holiday ornaments while waiting for Santa’s holiday visit who will be arriving on the Antique fire truck and will distribute books to the children.

December 8
Dunedin Public Library
Giggles, Goodies and Goodtimes with Grandma & Grandpa: 9:30-11:00 am. Join us for a special morning with your favorite older person. We'll enjoy breakfast, singing songs and enjoy a special performance from Santa and Mrs. Claus. Registration required.

Palm Harbor Public Library
Read Around Pinellas: 1:30 pm. Join us to celebrate Pinellas County’s 5th annual county-wide reading initiative. Larry Baker, author of The Flamingo Rising, will be here to discuss his works. Enjoy this rare opportunity to read his book (join us at PHIL’s Book Club on Monday, December 4, at 7:00 pm) and then actually meet the author!

St. Petersburg Public Library System

December 9
Palm Harbor Public Library
Christmas Musical
Performance: 2:00 pm. The Palm Harbor Community Chorus, under the direction of Anita Bona, will perform popular carols and traditional holiday music in a Holiday Show.

December 10
Largo Public Library
The Author’s Program & Reception: 2:00 pm. Join us for the closing celebration for the 9th Annual Read Around Pinellas event. Enjoy Florida folk music with Pete Gallagher and Kelly Green, co-hosts of the Florida Folk Show on WMNF. Following the musical presentation, guests will meet author Larry Baker, The Flamingo Rising, and discuss this year’s novel. Light refreshments will be served. Sponsored by the Pinellas Public Library Cooperative.

Seminole Community Library
Sunday Musical: 3:00 pm. One Day Band—The little band with the big band sound. Ten instruments and two voices specializing in standards, swing & dance favorites of the 30s, 40s and 50s.

December 11
Largo Library
Women’s Legacy Writing Workshop: 2:00-4:30 pm. Join instructor Jan Golden in this two-part memoir writing workshop as you capture memories, create a personal history and share your experiences with others.

Clearwater Public Library System
North Greenwood Branch
Informed Health Care: 4:00-7:00 pm. Staywell/Healthtree representatives discuss health care options and answer questions about recent changes to Medicaid for individuals and families who qualify through the Department of Children and Families, State of Florida.

Dunedin Public Library
Family Fun Night – Ornament Extravaganza: (Ages 5-12) 6:30 pm. We’ll be making several ornaments. Registration required.

December 14
Gulfport Public Library
Holiday Bedtime Stories: 6:30 pm. St. Petersburg Public Library System
Main Library
Here Comes Santa Claus: 7:00 pm. Santa visits the library!

December 15
Dunedin Public Library
Fairy Godmother Storytime: (Ages 2-5) 10:30 am. CeCe the Wise Godmother of all the Fairies will be here. Everyone wear your fairy clothes or come as you are. You will be entertained with music and a reading of The Adventures of Alexandra. Registration required.
Teen Programs

Clearwater Public Library System
Main Library
Student Library Tours: Research training available. Call for details or to schedule a tour.
North Greenwood Branch
Read and Recreate Library Book Club: Read three age-appropriate books and earn a free day pass to the Recreation Center. Pick up a book report log at the library, fill it out and bring it back to receive your pass.

Dunedin Public Library
Teen Jingle & Mingle Holiday Bash: (Ages 12 & up) Monday, December 4, 6:30-8:00 pm. Join us for an evening of food and fun. You’ll make some great crafts you can use as holiday gifts. Registration required.
Chess Club: (All ages) Thursday, December 21, 4:00-6:00 pm.

East Lake Community Library
Teen Library Council: Mondays, December 11, 5:00 pm. Teens meet to plan programs.
Exam Cram Nights: Monday, December 18, Tuesday, December 19 & Wednesday, December 20, 8:00-10:00 pm. Quiet time to finish your last minute studying.

Gulfport Public Library
Scrapbookers Club for Adults and Teens: Saturday, December 9, 1:00 pm. Make beautiful pages of memories. Some supplies available, but you need to furnish your own 12x12 scrapbook album.

Largo Library
Teen Library Council: Tuesday, December 5, 6:00 pm. We are always looking for suggestions and ideas. E-mail yours to libraryyouth@largo.com.
Ramen Bar: Tuesday, December 12, 5:00 pm. Mah Jong- Learn the basics of the popular Chinese game.
Read-a-Therapy: Tuesday, December 19, 4:30 pm. Learn how reading can be therapeutic. Bring your favorite book or poem to share with other teens or just sit back and enjoy.
Art and Paper Series: (Middle-high school age) Thursday, December 31, 4:30 pm. Learn the craft of scrap booking to record your memories in style. Registration required.
Teen How-To Series: (Middle-high school age) Saturday, December 9, 1:00 pm. Gift Wrapping - Bring your gifts and learn cool gift wrapping techniques. Registration required.
Metro Largo! News Team: Saturday, December 16, 2:00-3:30 pm. We are always recruiting reporters, writers, editors, graphic artists, marketers, and publishers for our News Team.
Teen Homework Center: Thursdays and Sundays, 1:30-4:30 pm. We have teen tutors and plenty of space for you and your group to do your school work.
Teen Club Center: Fridays and Saturdays, 11:30 am-4:30 pm. Make the Largo Public Library the meeting place for your teen club. We have two rooms available for groups of ten or less.

Palm Harbor Public Library
Anime Movie Night: Wednesday, December 27, 6:30 pm.
Youth Advisory Board: Thursdays, 5:00-6:00 pm. Plan programs, services and fundraisers that meet the needs and interests of teens.

Pinellas Park Public Library
Holiday Game & Karaoke Night: (Middle & high school students) Friday, December 8, 7:00 pm. Holiday refreshments, games & karaoke. Registration required.

Safety Harbor Public Library
Free Saturday Tutoring for Teens: Math 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Tutor: Vinay. Contact him in advance at 726-3386.
“POSH” Teen Playwright Group: (Ages 13 & up) Tuesdays, 5:30-6:30 pm. Interested in learning to write original plays? Your play could be performed by a “POSH” “Players of Safety Harbor” theatre group.

St. Pete Beach Public Library
Red Cross Babysitter Training: (Ages 11 & up) Wednesday, December 27, 9:00 am-4:00 pm. Call 893-3111 x233 to register.

Scrapy Teens: Saturday, December 30, 10:30 am. Scrapbooking tools provided. Don’t forget your photos!

St. Petersburg Public Library System
Main Library
Monthly Teen Night: (Ages 13-19) Wednesday, December 13, 6:30 pm.

Johnson Branch
Teen Movies: Friday, December 8, 2:00 pm.

South Branch
Teen Advisory Council: Tuesday, December 5, 4:30 pm. Teen council provides input on library programs services and materials for teen library users.
Teen Book Club: (Grades 9-12) Friday, 4:30 pm.

West Community Library
Teen Scene: Thursdays, 6:00-8:00 pm.

Seminole Community Library
Library Youth Advisory Board: Thursday, December 7, 7:00 pm.

Tarpon Springs Public Library
Chess Club: Monday, December 4 & 18, 3:30 pm. All ages and skill levels welcome.
Crafts and Cookies: (Ages 13-18) Saturday, December 9, 2:00 pm. Cookie decorating and holiday crafts. Registration required.
Mission Statement

The Pinellas Public Library Cooperative serves Pinellas County residents in member cities and the unincorporated county. The Cooperative office provides coordination of activities and funding as well as marketing services for member libraries.

The Cooperative Libraries feature current high-demand, high interest materials in a variety of formats; actively provide timely, accurate and useful information; and encourage young children to develop an interest in reading and learning through services for children and for parents and children together.

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SERVICES
- Book discussions and reviews
- Books, tapes, CDs, videos, and magazines for checkout
- Community rooms
- Computer classes
- Countywide book delivery and return
- Deaf Literacy Center
- Friends of the Library and volunteer groups
- Internet access
- Interlibrary loan
- Library service for the blind and physically handicapped
- Literacy classes and tutoring
- Programs for adults and young adults
- Reference assistance and reader's advisory
- Story hours and children's activities

POLICIES
- A resident of the unincorporated areas of Pinellas County or one of the member cities is entitled to a free library card.
- Residents of non-member cities may receive a card valid for one year upon payment of $100. Note: Some cities reimburse all or part of this fee.
- One Cooperative card is good at all Cooperative libraries.
- Cards issued to residents are valid for three years.
- Cards issued to non-residents are valid for one year.
- Register for a card at any Cooperative member library.
Clearwater Public Library System
Main Library
**Book Lovers Bistro:** Tuesday, December 5, 12:00 pm. Meet over lunch to discuss a bestseller.
**Circulo De Lectura:** Wednesday, December 27, 1:00 pm. Spanish language book discussion group.
**Great Books:** Thursday, December 14, 1:30 pm. *The Story of Samson* (Judges 13-16).
**East Branch**
**Mystery Readers Club:** Tuesday, December 19, 10:30 am. Romance/suspense writers.

**Dunedin Public Library**
**Great Books Discussion Group:** Tuesday, December 19, 7:00 pm. Topic: Readings from *The Civically Engaged Reader*.

**East Lake Community Library**
**Book Club:** Wednesday, December 13, 6:30 pm. *Everyman* by Phillip Roth.

**Gulf Beaches Public Library**
**Book Discussion:** Tuesday, December 19, 10:30 am. *Waiting* by Ha Jin.

**Gulfport Public Library**
**CoffeeTalk:** Our monthly book discussions continue with *Peace Like a River* by Leif Enger. Thursday, December 21. Coffee is ready at 9:30 am, discussion starts at 10:00 am.

**Largo Library**
**A Ray of Sunshine Family Book Club:** Saturday, December 2, 2:00 pm. *Lowji Discovers America* by Candance Fleming.

**The Last Word Book Club:** Wednesday, December 6, 7:00 pm. *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf* by Edward Albee.

**Booktalking with Iris:** Wednesday, December 20, 12:00-1:00 pm.

**Palm Harbor Public Library**
**PHil's Book Club:** Monday, December 4, 7:00 pm. *The Flamingo Rising*, in celebration of the fifth annual “Read Around Pinellas.” (As a special treat, author Larry Baker will be here on Friday, December 8 at 1:30 pm to discuss his work!)

**PHil's Book Club:** Monday, December 11, 11:00 am & 7:00 pm. Alexandra Fuller’s African childhood memoir, *Don’t Let's Go to the Dogs Tonight*.

**Pinellas Park Public Library**
**Book Discussion:** Thursday, December 14, 2:00 pm. *Life on the Mississippi* by Mark Twain.

**Safety Harbor Public Library**
**Book Discussion:** Tuesday, December 19, 2:00-3:00 pm. *The Time Traveler’s Wife* by Audrey Niffenegger.

**Mahogany Book Discussion:** Saturday, December 9, 10:30-11:30 am. Share your favorite book and cookie exchange.

**St. Pete Beach Public Library**
**Book Discussion:** Tuesday, December 12, 10:30 am & Wednesday, December 13, 7:00 pm. *A Midnight Carol* by Patricia K. Davis.

**Book Discussion:** Thursday, December 28, 2:00 pm. *Arthur & George* by Julian Barnes.

St. Petersburg Public Library System
Main Library
**Mother/Daughter Book Club:** Tuesday, December 12, 6:30 pm.
**Between Covers Book Club:** Wednesday, December 13, 7:00 pm.
**The Bookers’ Book Group:** Thursday, December 21, 10:30 am.

**Mirror Lake Branch**
**Classic Up Close:** Tuesday, December 26, 2:00 pm.

**North Branch**

**Read around Pinellas:** Tuesday, December 5, 7:00 pm. *The Flamingo Rising* by Larry Baker.

**Thursday Morning Group:** Thursday, December 7, 10:00 am. *Kitchen Confidential* by Anthony Bourdain

**South Branch**
**Book Club:** Tuesday, December 14, 2:00 pm. *The Hornet's Nest* by Jimmy Carter.

**Mahogany Book Club:** Saturday, December 16, 10:00 am.

**West Community Library**

**West Community Group:** Wednesday, December 6, 1:30 pm. This holiday themed program will feature Holiday Tales. Cookies & punch provided.

**Seminole Community Library**
**Booktalkers:** Wednesday, December 6, 2:00 pm. *The Real Minerva* by Mary Sharatt.

**Great Books Discussion Group:** Wednesday, December 20, 2:00 pm. *Individual Freedom* by Simmel.

Library closings for the month of December are as follows:

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Happy Holidays!
Clearwater Public Library System

Main Library

**Saturday Storytime:** (Ages 3-5) Saturdays, 11:00 am.
**Toddler Time:** (12-24 mos) Fridays, 10:00 am.
**Bright Minds:** (Ages 3-5) Wednesdays, 10:00 am. Stories, learning activities, book-related films and crafts
**Guys Read:** (Ages 8-12) Friday, December 29, 3:30-4:45 pm. Boys read interesting books together and share their opinions about them. Call for reading list.

**R.E.A.D. (Reading Education Assistance Dogs):** Saturday, December 9, 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Children read to dogs in the library for 20 minutes.

**Countryside Branch**

**Preschool Storytime:** Wednesdays, 10:00 am. Stories, songs, crafts basic American Sign Language.
**Toddler Time:** (Ages 2-3) Thursdays, 10:00 am.
**Homework Help:** Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 3:00-5:00 pm. High school students help elementary age children with their homework

**North Greenwood Branch**

**Preschool Storytime:** Mondays, 10:30 am.
**Legal Eagles Homework Help:** Tuesdays, 3:00-5:00 pm. Attorneys from the Clearwater Bar Association give homework help.
**Chess Club:** (All ages) Wednesdays, 3:30 pm. Instruction and chessboards provided.
**Craft Corner:** Thursdays, 2:00-4:00 pm. Drop in anytime during the two hours to create crafts and enjoy a variety of other activities.
**Funny Fridays:** 3:00-4:30 pm. Watch funny flicks to start off the weekend. Refreshments included. December 1: How the Grinch Stole Christmas & A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving. December 8: The Santa Clause; December 15: A Christmas Story.

**Trim the Christmas Tree:** Thursday, December 7, 2:00 pm. Make an ornament to hang on our library tree. Music and cookies included.
**Kwanzaa Craft:** Thursday, December 21, 2:00 pm. Crafts and activities to celebrate Kwanzaa

**East Branch**

**Preschool Storytime:** (Ages 3-5) Wednesdays, 10:00 am.
**Toddler Time:** (Ages 2-3) Wednesdays, 11:00 am.
**Red Cross Sponsored Babysitting Class:** (Ages 2-3) Wednesdays, 11:00 am. Learn basic ASL signs the fun musical way with your toddler. Registration required.

**Palm Harbor Library**

**Children’s Sign Language:** (Ages 5-12) Mondays, December 4 & 11, 3:30-4:30 pm. Sign Language vocabulary, stories and crafts or activities for children.

**Pinellas Park Library**

**Children’s Sign Language:** (Ages 5-12) Tuesdays, December 5 & 12, 4:00-5:00 pm.
**Palm Harbor Library**

**Children’s Sign Language:** (Ages 6-12) Tuesdays, December 5 & 12. Call Palm Harbor Library to register.

**St. Petersburg Library South Branch**

**Children’s Sign Language:** (Ages 5-12) Tuesdays December 5 & 12, 4:00-5:00 pm.
**Morning Stories:** (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays, December 5, 7 & 12, 10:15 am.
**Introduction to Toddler Sign:** (Ages 1-3) Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays, 3:30-4:30 pm. Registration required.
**Relax & Read:** (All ages) Wednesdays, 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Come and read a story to Oliver, or sit with Oliver and let Ms. Kathleen read a story to you both.

**Oldsmar Public Library**

**Christmas Program for Preschoolers:** (Ages 3 & up) Thursday, December 14, 10:00 am. Stories and a simple craft.
**Story Time with Oliver the Big White Dog:** Saturday, December 16, 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Come and read a story to Oliver, or sit with Oliver and let Ms. Kathleen read a story to you both.

**Palm Harbor Public Library**

**Mother Goose:** (Birth-2 yrs) Saturdays, December 2 & 16, 10:00 am.
**Toddler Story Time:** (Ages 3-5 yrs) Mondays, December 4 & 11, 10:00 & 11:00 am.

**Use Your Noodle:** (Ages 5-12) Thursday, December 28, 2:00 pm. Brainteasers and pasta art. Registration required.
**Sunday Fun Day:** Sunday, December 10, 1:00-4:30 pm. Stop in the Youth Department for a special “make and take craft”. This month’s theme is Happy Holidays.

**East Lake Community Library**

**Cookie Decorating:** (All ages) Saturday, December 16, 2:00 pm.

**Teen Puppet Theatre:** (All ages) Mondays and Thursdays, 7:00 pm.
**Toddler Story Time:** (Birth-3 yrs) Tuesdays, 10:15 am.
**Preschool Story Time:** (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays, 11:00 am.
**Bedtime Story Time:** (All ages) Wednesdays, 7:00 pm. A craft and story before bedtime with a “casual” dress-code – pajamas!

**Gulf Beaches Public Library**

**Storytime:** Wednesdays, 10:30 am.
**Family Movie:** Saturday, Dec. 16, 2:00 pm. *Garfield: A Tail of Two Kitties.*
**Homework Center:** (Grades 1-5) Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays, 3:30-4:30 pm. Registration required.

**Gulfport Public Library**

**Family Craft Club:** Saturdays, December 2 & 16, 2:00 pm.

**After School Fun with Crafts:** Friday, December 8 & 22, 4:00 pm.

**Largo Library**

**Introduction to Baby Sign:** (Birth-17 mos) Mondays, December 4 & 11, 10:00 am. Enhance communication with your baby using ASL signs. Registration required.
**Introduction to Toddler Sign:** (18-36 mos) Mondays, December 4, 11 & 18, 11:00 am. Learn basic ASL signs the fun musical way with your toddler. Registration required.
**Family Story Night:** (Ages 3-7) Mondays, December 11 & 18, 7:00 pm. Pajamas are encouraged.
**Bingo:** Tuesday, December 12, 3:30 pm. Prizes awarded.
**Baby Rhyme Time:** (Pre-walkers) Wednesdays, Dec. 6, 13 & 20, 10:00 am.
**Toddler Rhyme Time:** (10 mos-3 yrs) Wed., Dec. 6, 13 & 20, 11:00 am.
**Preschool Rhyme Time:** (Ages 3-5) Wed., Dec. 6, 13, & 20, 1:00 pm.
**Preschool Storytime:** (18 mos-3 yrs) Thurs., Dec. 7, 14 & 21, 10:00 am.
**Preschool Storytime:** (Ages 3-5) Thursdays, Dec. 7, 14 & 21, 11:00 am.

**Make and Take a Holiday Ornament:** (Elementary age) Saturday, December 3, 2:00-4:00 pm. Monday, December 4, 6:00-8:00 pm & Tuesday, December 5, 2:00-8:00 pm. Create a decorative ornament to add to the City of Largo’s Community Christmas Tree as well as one to take home for your family.

**Charlotte’s Web:** (Elementary age) Saturday, December 16, 2:00 pm. Join us in celebrating this classic book.
**Creative Gift Wrapping (Part two):** (Elementary age) Wednesday & Thursday, December 13 & 14, 3:00-8:00 pm. Design your own creative gift wrapping.

**Holiday Puppet Show:** (All ages) Tuesday, December 19, 10:00 am.

**Ready-Set-Games!** (Grade 1-6) Mondays, 4:00-6:00 pm. Test your skill against an opponent in a match of strategy.
**Family Storytime:** (All ages) Saturdays, 10:30 am.
**Largo K-Kids Club:** Fridays, December 8 & 22, 3:30-5:30 pm. A student-led service organization for the home schooled and elementary school students who are dedicated to library and community service. Brought to you in partnership with the Kiwanis Club of Largo/Mid-Pinellas.

**Oldsmar Public Library**

**Christmas Program for Preschoolers:** (Ages 3 & up) Thursday, December 14, 10:00 am. Stories and a simple craft.

**Story Time with Oliver the Big White Dog:** Saturday, December 16, 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Come and read a story to Oliver, or sit with Oliver and let Ms. Kathleen read a story to you both.

**Palm Harbor Public Library**

**Mother Goose:** (Birth-2 yrs) Saturdays, December 2, 16 & 30, 10:00 am.
**Toddler Story Time:** (Ages 3-5 yrs) Mondays, December 4, 11 & 18, 10:00 & 11:00 am.
Children’s Programs

Granny Jane’s Stories: (All ages) Wed., December 6 & 13, 1:30 pm.
Bedtime Bash: (Ages 3 & up) Mondays, December 4, 11 & 18, 7:00 pm.
Don’t forget to bring your teddy bears!
The Night Before Christmas: (Ages 3 & up) Saturday, December 16, 1:30 pm.
The library’s Youth Advisory Board will present a hilarious theatrical rendition of this holiday favorite, followed by seasonal songs and refreshments.
Friday Fun Flicks: (Ages 4 & up) Friday, December 29, 1:30 pm. A seasonal movie to delight and entertain.
The following programs require in-person pre-registration. Call for more information.
Parents Day Out: (Ages 6-10) Saturday, December 2, 12:30-4:30 pm.
The teens from our Youth Advisory Board will provide an afternoon of games, movies and activities. (Requested donation: $4.00.)
Breakfast with Santa: (Ages 2-5) Friday, December 8, 10:00 am-12:00 pm.
Join Santa and his friends for breakfast, and don’t forget your cameras!
Holiday Art Happening: (Ages 4-8) Kids only. Saturday, December 9, 10:00-11:00 am.
Create holiday crafts and decorations.
Holiday Card Creations: (Ages 7-12) Saturday, December 16, 10:30 am.
Create unique holiday greeting cards.
Stellastitches Story Stretchers: (Ages 6-8) Kids only. Thursday, December 28, 10:30 am-12:00 pm.
A puppet stories workshop – each participant will create a character puppet based on a story.
Pinellas Park Public Library
Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays, 10:00-10:30 am.
Mother Goose: (Birth-3 yrs) Tuesdays, 10:45-11:05 am.
Reading Patch Club: (Elementary students) Tuesdays, 3:00-3:30 pm.
A reading incentive program where children hear about great books and earn stickers and patches for reading. Attendance is encouraged but not required to earn incentives.
Story Time Celebration: (Ages 3 & up) Tuesdays, 7:00-7:30 pm.
Mother Goose: (Birth-3 yrs) Wednesday, 10:30-10:50 am.
Chess Club: Mondays, 3:00-5:00 pm. Beginner instruction (3:00-4:00 pm); Advanced instruction (4:00-5:00 pm). Free play encouraged during club hours.
Evening Mother Goose: (Younger children) Thursdays, 7:00-7:30 pm.
YU-GI-OH Tournament: Saturday, December 9, 9:00 am.
Registration required and begins at 9:00 am (must be registered by 10:00 am to play) Prizes awarded. Co-sponsored by Wal-Mart.
Safety Harbor Public Library
Regular youth programming cancelled for December.
Frosty the Snowman: Monday, December 11, 3:30-4:15 pm. Presented by Timeless Tales Theatre.
Story Time with Mrs. Claus: Tuesday, December 12, 10:30-11:30 am.
Charles Dickens Special Events Week December 4-10: Meet Mr. And Mrs. Charles Dickens and enjoy holiday crafts Monday, December 4, 6:30-7:45 pm. Ages 5 and up. Film Oliver the musical Sunday, December 10, 2:00-4:30 pm. Family audience.
POSH (Players of Safety Harbor) Youth Theatre Troupe: (Ages 7-10) Mondays and Wednesdays, 4:30-5:30 pm. Registration required.
St. Pete Beach Public Library
Mother Goose Time: (Birth-3 yrs) Tuesday, December 5, 19 & 26, 10:30 or 11:30 am.
Dolphin Club: (Ages 3 & up) Tuesdays, 4:00 pm.
Sunshine State Young Readers Reading Club: (Grades 3-5) Tuesday, December 12, 5:00 pm.
Discussion of The Frog Princess by E. D. Baker.
Library in the Park: Thursday, December 14, 4:00 pm.
Stories, a craft and outdoor play. At Vina del Mar Park, 302 South Isle Drive.
Tucker the Reading Therapy Dog: Tuesday, December 26, 3:00 pm. Practice reading aloud.
St. Petersburg Public Library System
Main Library
After-School Program: (Ages 6-12) Tuesdays, 4:00 pm.
Junior League Puppet Show: Tuesday, December 12, 10:00 am. Officer Buckle and Gloria & Impatient Pamela Call 911.
Mother Goose: (Infant-3 yrs) Fridays, 9:30 am & 10:30 am.
Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Wednesdays, 10:00 am.
Family Story & Craft: Tuesday, December 12, 7:00 pm.
Young Magicians: (Ages 7-16) Saturday, December 2, 10:00 am. Teaching the art of illusion to children.
Johnson Branch
Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Fridays, 9:45 & 10:15 am.
Humphrey Dunphy: (Infants-crawlers) Mondays, 10:30 am & Wednesdays, 3:30 pm.
Jack & Jill: (Walkers-3 yrs) Mondays, 9:45 am & Wednesdays, 4:15 pm.
Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Fridays, December 1 & 15, 10:00 am & 10:30 am.
North Branch
Mother Goose: (Birth-3 yrs) Mon. 11:00 am & Wed. 10:00 am.
Preschool Storytime: (Ages 3-5) Wednesdays, 11:00 am.
South Branch
Mother Goose: (Infant-3 yrs) Thursdays, 10:00 am.
Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays, 10:30 am.
Craft Club: (All ages) Saturday, December 2, 2:00 pm.
Newberry Book Club: (Ages 8-12) Tuesday, December 1, 4:30 pm.
Christmas Film Festival: (All ages) Fridays, Dec. 1, 8, 15 & 22, 3:00 pm.
West Community Library
Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 10:00 am.
Mother Goose: (Infants-3 yrs) Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 11:00 am.
After School Program: (Ages 5-10) Thursday, December 14, 3:30 pm.
Holiday Tales: A special gift for every schoolchild present.
Seminole Community Library
Toddler Storytime: (18-36 mos) Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10:30 am. There will be no Storytime December 19, 21, 26 & 28. Storytime will resume January 9.
Pre-School Storytime: (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays, 11:00 am. There will be no Storytime December 19 & 26. Storytime will resume January 9.
Twilight Tales: (Preschool-2nd grade) Mondays, 6:30 pm.
There will be no program on December 18. Twilight Tales will resume January 8.
Trim the Tree Party: Monday, December 4, 3:00-5:00 pm.
Children will be making an ornament to decorate the tree.
Enjoy apple cider & cookies along with holiday music. Don’t forget to wear your red and green!
Twas the Week After Christmas: Thursday, December 28, 11:00-11:45 am.
The Library Youth Advisory Board teens will present a program of stories, skits, games and a puppet show.
Family Movie: Saturdays, 2:00 pm.
Films for all ages—free popcorn and sodas.
December 2: Air Bud: Seventh Inning Fetch; December 9: Iron Will; December 16: Beauty & the Beast: Enchanted Christmas; December 23: Polar Express; December 30: Robin Hood.
TARPON SPRINGS PUBLIC LIBRARY
Mother Goose Toddler Time: (Ages 1-3) Fridays, 10:15 am. Registration required. No Toddler Time December 1, 15, 22 and 29.
Craft Saturdays: Saturdays, 10:00 am-3:00 pm.
A different craft each week.
Craft Club: (Ages 6-12) Friday, December 1, 4:30 pm.
Registration required.
Chess Club: Monday, December 4 & 18, 3:30-4:30 pm.
All ages and skill levels welcome.
Holiday Party: Sunday, December 10, 2:00 pm.
Enjoy magic, storytelling and music provided by Mischief the Elf! (Please note, only the Youth Services department will be open, the rest of the library will be closed.)
Meet Santa: (Ages 2-5) Thursday, December 14, 11:00 am. Join Santa and his helpers for a story and a visit.
Celebrate Giving!

Give your support to the Pinellas Public Library Cooperative and its programs and services:

- Born to Read Family Literacy Program
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