Spring Festival at the Safety Public Harbor Library

Celebrate National Library Week (April 2-8) and National Poetry Month with the Safety Harbor Public Library at the 3rd Annual Spring Festival on Sunday, April 9th between 2 and 4 pm in the Library Art Park. Ken Robinson and Richard Flamm of the St. Petersburg-based performing group, Bayboro Band, will perform folk, classic country blues, and original compositions for the public. Bay area poets and spoken word artists will read original works between the band performances. The library also will host FREE face painting by Amy of Happy Faces of Orlando for children of all ages. This event will be provided in American Sign Language as well as voice interpreted. For more information or to add your name to the list of poets reading, please contact Robin at (727) 724-1525 x233. In case of rain, all activities will be moved indoors. Location: Safety Harbor Public Library, 101 Second Street North.

Palm Harbor Library Offers Music to Your Ears

In collaboration with the Sunstate Opera Society, the Palm Harbor Library will be offering a new music series this year. One Sunday each month, opera enthusiasts will be treated to popular arias and scenes from such favorites as La Boheme, Aida, Madama Butterfly, Pagliacci, Hansel and Gretel, Die Fledermaus and Tosca.

Founded in 1994 by Artistic Director Mario Laurenti, the Sunstate Opera Society is a non-profit organization that features local talent dedicated to providing top quality opera to Tampa Bay. It includes artists of all ages -- from young, aspiring students to accomplished international performers -- and takes special pride in the support and growth of young singers. The society regularly offers open “auditions” to seek new talent.

Future Sunday dates for the opera series are: March 26, April 23, May 21, June 25, July 23, August 27, September 24, October 22, November 19, and December 17. All programs will be held at 3:00 p.m. at the library, which is located at 2330 Nebraska Avenue in Palm Harbor. Admission is free, and refreshments will be served. For more information, contact the library at (727) 784-3332.

From the Desk of the Executive Director

The Cooperative and its member libraries are continuing to add exciting programs and services that benefit our library patrons. New projects on the horizon include the City of Oldsmar’s new 20,000 square foot library scheduled to begin construction in May 2006; a proposed addition of 13,000 square feet to the Palm Harbor Public Library; and the recently approved plan to add 9,000 square feet to the Safety Harbor Public Library.

Literacy continues to be a major focus for the Cooperative as we expand our partnerships with literacy providers and supporters in Pinellas County. The Cooperative’s Born to Read program reaches out to families through community partners including our newest partner, St. Petersburg Pediatrics. PPLC is offering its first Teen Financial Literacy Workshop series beginning in April this year, partnering with the Bank of America, and Junior Achievement. Another exciting venture is PPLC’s participation in the Reading is Magic campaign which is a partnership between four Literacy Councils, the public libraries, READ Pinellas, and Cox Radio with funding provided through the Verizon Foundation. We are also very proud of the continued success of the Deaf Literacy Center which was recently recognized as an Exemplary Program by the State Library and Archives of Florida.

Summer will be here before we know it and our member libraries are busy preparing for summer reading programs for both children and teens again this year. Our member libraries do a wonderful job of creating a variety of programs and activities that encourage recreational reading during the summer break.

Please visit one of our Cooperative member libraries today and enjoy the materials and resources that public libraries have to offer in Pinellas County.

PPLC Welcomes New Board Member Peggy O’Shea

The Pinellas Public Library Cooperative is pleased to announce its newly appointed Board member, Peggy O’Shea. Ms. O’Shea will serve as the Board of County Commissioners At-Large District 1 appointment until September 30, 2007. She is a very active community member and served as the Chairman for the Early Learning Coalition of Pinellas County after her appointment to the committee by Governor Jeb Bush in 2005. Ms. O’Shea also serves as the Treasurer for the Palm Harbor Chamber of Commerce for the 2005-2006 term. In addition to these activities, she is also a member of the Pinellas County Government Public Access Advisory Committee, East Lake Community Library Advisory Board, and the Palm Harbor Rotary. The Cooperative Board and libraries welcome Ms. O’Shea to her new position.
Computer Classes

Clearwater Public Library System
Main Library
Introduction to MS Windows: Wednesday, March 1, 10:00 am.
Introduction to MS Excel: Tuesday, March 7, 3:00 pm.
Introduction to the Internet: Thursday, March 16, 4:00 pm.
Introduction to E-Mail: Thursday, March 30, 1:00 pm.
Register on Monday of the week of the class by calling 562-4970 x3036.
Beach Branch
Internet or E-Mail for Beginners: Tuesdays, March 14, 21, and 28, 10:00 am & Thursdays, 4:00 pm. Call 462-6890 to register.
North Greenwood Branch
Internet for Beginners: Wednesday, March 8, 10:00 am. Call 462-6895 to register.

Defe Literacy Center
Safety Harbor Public Library
Individualized Computer Skills Tutoring for the Deaf: Call to register.

Dunedin Public Library
PowerPoint Basics, Part 1: Tuesday, February 28, 11:00 am.
PowerPoint Basics, Part 1: Wednesday, March 1, 7:00 pm.
PowerPoint Basics, Part 2: Thursday, March 2, 11:00 am.
Introducing Windows: Tuesday, March 7, 11:00 am.
PowerPoint Basics, Part 2: Wednesday, March 8, 7:00 pm.
Getting Online: Thursday, March 9, 11:00 am.
Using Internet Explorer: Tuesday, March 14, 11:00 am.
Using Internet Explorer: Wednesday, March 15, 7:00 pm.
Search Engines: Thursday, March 16, 11:00 am.
Specialty Databases: Tuesday, March 28, 11:00 am.
Search Engines: Wednesday, March 29, 7:00 pm.
Ask a Question about the Internet: Thursday, March 30, 11:00 am.

East Lake Community Library
Registration is required for all classes and begins March 1.
Introduction to Email: Thursday, March 2, 9:00 am.
One-On-One Computer Workshop: Friday, March 3, 9:00 am.
Microsoft Word 2: Thursday, March 9, 9:00 am. Prerequisite: Microsoft Word.
One on One Computer Workshop: Friday, March 10, 9:00 am.
Introduction to PowerPoint: Thursday, March 16, 9:00 am. Prerequisite: Basic computer knowledge.
One-on-One Computer Workshop: Friday, March 17, 9:00 am. Trainers answer your computer questions.

Gulf Beaches Public Library
Introduction to the Internet: Wednesday, March 8, 12:00 pm.
Learn To Use The Library Catalog: Monday, March 27, 11:30 am.
Free One On One Computer Training: (Internet, Word Processing, etc.) Call 391-2828 x201 to schedule an appointment.

Largo Library
Family Tree Maker Group: Saturday, March 4, 10:00 am-noon. Karen Keegan provides insight into using this popular genealogy software program.
Computer Series for Seniors: Wednesday, March 8, 6:30-8:30 pm. Jim Shimp discusses computer security and viruses.
Introductory Class in PAF Software: Saturday, March 11, time TBA. Lecture on the basics of the Personal Ancestral File software program.
Computers in Genealogy Group: Saturday, March 18, before the Pinellas County Genealogy Society meeting at 9:45 am. Informal discussion group in a question and answer format on any topic related to genealogy and computers.
Genealogical Research: (From home using the Largo Public Library Genealogy Databases) Saturday, March 18, 10:00 am. Mercedes Bleatller will discuss the use of the library’s genealogy databases in researching your family history at the Pinellas County Genealogy Society meeting.
Oldsmar Public Library
Call (813) 749-1181 to register for computer classes.
Basic Internet Class: Designed for newcomers to the Internet.
Internet Searching Class: For the more experienced Internet user. Perform better searches to achieve more accurate results.

Palm Harbor Public Library
Palm Harbor Computer Users’ Group: Monday, March 20, 6:30-8:00 pm. All levels of expertise are welcome. Includes a planned program and question-and-answer session.

Word Processing Basics: Saturday, March 18, 10:00 am-noon. Dave Dockery will discuss beginning and intermediate-level word processing techniques.
Hands-On Computer Training: Four different classes are offered: “Computer Basics”, “Word Processing”, “Microsoft Windows”, and “Internet & E-Mail”. Registrations accepted 30 days prior to each class. Stop by the Reference Desk or call 784-3332, x203 for class dates.
Pinellas Park Public Library
Computer Class: Wednesday, March 1, 7:00 pm, instructor Mark Oppy. For more information visit www.marcomp.com/sked.htm.

Safety Harbor Public Library
Basic Skills Computer Classes: Fridays, 9:30-10:30 am. Includes computer terminology, keyboarding and mouse skills, getting started with email, and Internet searching and database searching.
Email Attachments and Addresses: Thursday, March 9, 6:30-7:45 pm.
Introduction to Buying & Selling on Ebay: Thursday, March 23, 6:30-7:45 pm.

Computer Tutorials: One-on-one 15-minute hands-on computer tutorials covering basic computer skills or a focused task. Call x233 for an appointment.

St. Pete Beach Public Library
Polaris PowerPAC: Tips for using the Library’s online catalog and premium databases. Sign up at the Reference Desk.

St. Petersburg Public Library System
Main Library
Introduction to the Internet: One-on-One Sessions. Call 893-7928 to schedule a session.
Catalog Training: Mondays, 10:00 am, Tuesdays, 6:00 pm, and Thursdays, 1:30 pm.
InfoTrac Training: Learn how to locate full text articles using the library’s Info Trac database. Mondays, 11:00 am, Tuesdays, 7:00 pm and Thursdays, 2:30 pm.
Can’t locate the title you need? Try Alleycat or Interlibrary loan. For assistance call 893-7928.
Johnson Branch
Please call 893-7113 for reservations for all computer classes, as seating is limited.
Basic Internet & E-Mail: Mondays, 7:00 pm, 4-week series. New classes begin the first Monday of each month.
Microsoft Word: Tuesdays, 7:00 pm, 4-week series. New classes start each month.

North Branch
Beginning Internet: Thursday, March 9, 2:15 pm-4:15 pm.
Basics E-mail: Tuesday, March 14, 2:15 pm-4:15 pm.
Basic Microsoft Word: Thursday, March 23, 2:15 pm-4:15 pm.

South Branch
Basic Internet & E-Mail: (Individual class) Wednesdays, 11:30 am. For adults with at least an introductory knowledge of computers.
Intro to Computers, Basic Internet & E-Mail: (Group class) Every Friday-Classes will alternate 10:00 am. The intro to computers class is designed for adults with no knowledge of computers. The basic internet class designed for adults with at least an introductory knowledge of computers.

Seminole Community Library
SPC registration required for all computer classes.
All About Stocks, Bonds & Money: Thursdays, March 16-April 6. $59 fee.
Boater Safety--How to Boat Smart: Saturday, March 18. $36 fee.
Digital Photography for Beginners: Mondays, March 13-April 10. $49.00 fee.
Digital Photography II: Fridays March 3-31. $65 fee.
Discover MS Word & Windows Programs: Tuesday, March 21. $25 fee.
Get Comfortable with Your Computer: Tuesday or Saturday, March 14 or 25. $25 fee.
PowerPoint for the Community: Tuesdays, March 21 & 28. $49 fee.
Welcome to Email and the Internet: Saturday or Tuesday, March 4 or 28. $25 fee.

Tarpon Springs Public Library
Registration is required for all computer classes. Call 943-4922 x11.
Computer Basics: Thursday, March 2, 1:00 pm.
Internet Basics: Wednesday, March 8, 3:00 pm. Registration begins March 1.
Introduction to Microsoft Word: Thursday, March 16, 1:00 pm. Registration begins March 6.
Clearwater Public Library System

Main Library

Screenwriting Workshop with Kirsten Smith: Wednesday, March 1, 7:00 pm. Screenwriting credits include Legally Blonde, Ella Enchanted, and Ten Things I Hate About You. Reception to follow.

Leadership Lunch Hour: Thursday, March 2, noon-1:00 pm. Community leaders who will talk about books that have inspired personal and professional growth.

Irish Books Pilgrimage: Tuesday, March 7, noon. Travel to sites associated with the great old books of Ireland with calligrapher Ruth Pettis. Celtic music performed by Susan Boyer Haley begins at 11:30 am.

Menus @ Main: Thursday, March 9, noon-1:00 pm. Bill Mitchell whips up recipes for a St. Patrick’s Day Celebration. First 25 to arrive will be given tickets to the sample table.

Old Time Radio: Thursday, March 16, noon. Listen to classic radio broadcasts from yesteryear!

Poetry Night: Thursday, March 16, 7:00 pm. Open mic with the Tampa Bay Poetry Foundation. Share your own works or read favorite poems.

Films on the Bluff: Enjoy award winning foreign and independent films each month. Tuesday, March 14 at 6:00 pm, and Tuesday, March 28 at 2:00 pm: Evelyn.

Gallery Displays: Contact 562-4970 ext. 5284 for sales information.


1st Floor Lobby Display: Pottery by Bev Childs.

Countryside Branch

AARP Driver Safety Class: Monday, March 13 and Tuesday, March 14, 9:30 am-1:30 pm. Class meets both days. Call 442-5776 to register.

Armchair Traveler Series: Wednesdays, 2:00 pm. Featured destinations: March 1 – Dream Trains: Short Hops & Whistle Stops; March 8 – Hawaii; March 15 – Behind the Painted Screen: Two Faces of Hong Kong; Angkor: Lost Temple City of Cambodia’s Kings; March 22 – Mexico: Bay & the West Coast; and March 29 – Touring America’s Ghost Towns.

Displays: Philadelphia Phillies Baseball Memorabilia courtesy of Tony Bacon.

North Greenwood Branch

Cup of Joe & a Show: Monday, March 6, 1:00 pm.

Displays: Philadelphia Phillies Baseball Memorabilia courtesy of Tony Bacon.

East Branch

Florida Mystery Writer Series: Tuesday, March 28, 2:00 pm. “Colorful Crime Writing with James Swain.” Books will be available for sale. Author reception to follow each program.

Displays: Philadelphia Phillies Baseball Memorabilia courtesy of Tony Bacon.

Deaf Literacy Center

Safety Harbor Public Library

Individual Tutoring for the Deaf: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Call for an appointment.

Basic Deaf Literacy: Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00 pm. Call for an appointment.

Adult Beginners Sign Language: Mondays, 6:00 pm.

Adult Intermediate Sign Language: Mondays, 7:00 pm.

St. Petersburg Library South Branch

Individual Tutoring for the Deaf: Thursdays, 3:00-5:00 pm. Call for an appointment.

Adult Intermediate Sign Language: Tuesdays, 7:00 pm.

Pinellas Park Public Library

Individual Tutoring for the Deaf: Thursdays, 1:00-4:00 pm. Call for an appointment.

Adult Beginners Sign Language course: Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm.

Palm Harbor Library

Individual Tutoring for the Deaf: Tuesdays, 7:00 pm.

Adult Beginners Sign Language: Mondays, 6:00 pm.

Pinellas Public Library

Individual Tutoring for the Deaf: Thursdays, 1:00-4:00 pm. Call for an appointment.

Adult Beginners Sign Language: Thursdays, 5:00-6:00 pm.

Dunedin Public Library

Tuesdays at Two Film Program: 2:00 pm.

The Perfect Storm: March 7.

Tsunami: Killer Wave: March 21.


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

Chris Lamb: Author of Blackout: The Untold Story of Jackie Robinson’s First Spring Training. Monday, March 6, 7:00 pm.

Marshall Frank, Author: Tuesday, March 7, 7:00 pm. Thirty years of law enforcement have provided Marshall Frank with a tremendous reservoir of experiences from which to tap for his thrillers.

John Joyce, Father of James: Tuesday, March 14, 7:00 pm. Learn about the father of James Joyce through the extensive research of Yvonne McMorrough, a native of Ireland.

Irish Music with Christopher Morgan: Wednesday, March 15, 6:30 pm.

Chess Club: (All ages) Thursday, March 23, 4:00 pm.

East Lake Community Library

ELC Writer’s Critique Group: Monday, March 13 & 27, 6:30 pm. Receive objective comments from fellow writers to help fine tune your writing.

East Lake Author’s Showcase: Tuesday, March 21, 6:30 pm. Featured speaker will be Ted McLane, author of Delay En Route.

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

Advisory Board: Tuesday, March 14, 6:00 pm.

Friends of East Lake Community Library: Thursday, March 2, 6:30 pm.

Book Club: Wednesday, March 15, 6:30pm. Time Traveler’s Wife by Audrey Niffenegger.

Hypnosis Workshop: Saturday, March 18, 11:00 am. Patricia V. Scott from UP Hypnosis Institute will be here to talk about what hypnosis can and cannot do for us.

Gulf Beaches Public Library

Tampa Bay’s Gulf Beaches Historian, Wayne Ayers: Wednesday, March 1, 2:00 pm.

Film Movement: Tuesday, March 7, 5:30 pm. Join us for the award winning film The Rage in Placid Lake.

Travel Film: Wednesday, March 8, 2:00 pm. Join us for a tour of Japan.

Scrapbooking Club: Friday, March 10, 11:00 am.

Saturday Movie Matinee Classics: Saturday, March 11, 1:30 pm. The More The Merrier starring Jean Arthur and Joel McCrea.

Technical Stock Analysis for Beginners: Tuesday, March 11 & 25, 2:00 pm.

St. Petersburg Swing Traders Investment Group: Wednesday, March 15, 1:00 pm.

Richard Wagner Society of Tampa Bay (opera): Saturday, March 18, 2:00 pm.

Friends of the Library Book Sale: Saturday, March 25, 8:00 am-4:00 pm.

AARP Income Tax Assistance: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:00 am-1:30 pm.

Creative Writing Group: Thursdays, 10:00 am.

Investment Club: Thursdays, 2:30 pm.

Gulfport Public Library

Scrapboookers Club for Adults and Teens: Saturday, March 11, 1:00 pm. Some scrapbooking supplies available, but you need to furnish your own 12x12 scrapbook album. For more information, call 893-1074.

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AARP Chair Publications: Tuesdays, 6:30 pm.

AARP Income Tax Assistance: Mondays, 2:00 pm.

Genealogy Discussion Group: Saturday, March 25, 1:00 pm. For more information, call 893-1074.

Study Group: “Short Stories,” Monday, March 27, 1:00 pm. Sponsored by local chapter of Brandeis University National Women’s Committee.

AARP Tax Service: Friday mornings through April 14, 9:00 am-noon. A free service for seniors and others on low or fixed incomes. First-come, first-served. Bring all tax papers and a copy of last year’s return.

Largo Library

Book Talk with Author Marian Coe: Friday, March 10, 2:00 pm. Rachel’s Story: A Southern Girl in Pre-Civil War Boston. Coe is an award-winning author of six books including Legacy, Eve’s Mountain, Marvelous Secrets, Key to a Cottage, and Once Upon A Different Time.

Pluck of the Irish-The Bay Area Fiddlers: Tuesday, March 14, 7:00 pm. Irish folk music for the entire family. The Bay Area Fiddlers Association meets at the Largo Public Library on the first three Sundays of the month at 1:00 pm. String musicians are welcome to come on Sunday and jam with the band and individuals are welcome to hear them practice.
Attn: Tom’s Cabin: Art Exhibit:

Antiquarian Book Expert: Free evaluation of up to 3 books per person.

Country Living Barefoot Summers

Meet the Author:

St. Pete Beach Public Library

Saturday, March 4, 9:00 am-3:00 pm. Refreshments provided, seating is limited.

Sunday Concert Series: Soloists from the Sunstate Opera Society will perform scenes from Tha Boheme on Sunday, March 26, at 3:00 pm. Refreshments provided.

Suppressed I Rise: Saturday, March 18, at 3:00 pm. Ursula Bracker talks about her published work which recounts her mother’s struggles during World War II.

Harriet Beecher Stowe: Monday, March 27, noon. The author of Uncle Tom’s Cabin (portrayed by Betty Jean Steinshouer) recounts her influence on Florida.

Writer’s Group: The Palm Harbor Writer’s Group invites aspiring writers to participate in their meetings at 6:30 pm on Wednesdays, March 8 and 22. Bring your text to share. Call 786-3113 or email phwritersgroup@verizon.net for complete details.

Genealogy: The Suncoast Genealogy Society meets every fourth Monday at 7:00 pm. Genealogy help is available in the Reference Department on Mondays through Fridays from 1:00-4:00 pm.

Literacy: Tutor Tune-Up Training – Saturday, March 25, 2:00-4:00 pm. The Literacy Book Club will discuss Winesburg, Ohio, by Sherwood Anderson on Thursday, March 30, from 7:00-8:00 pm. The Palm Harbor Literacy Council badly needs new volunteer tutors. If you are interested, call 784-3332 x211.

Displays: Abby Lukacs will display her charcoal drawings in the Adult Services Area. The center display case will feature craftwork by the “Sherwood Forest Crafty Ladies.”

Pinellas Park Public Library

Antiquarian Book Expert: Saturday, March 11, 1:00 pm. Meet Jay Dobkin, antiquarian book expert. Free evaluation of up to 3 books per person.

Art Exhibit: Ongoing exhibit in Library Meeting Room courtesy of Pinellas Park Arts Society.

Safety Harbor Public Library

BookNews Is Here: This new reader’s advisory service gives readers access to free electronic newsletters about a wide variety of books via the library web site, www.tnlc.org/shpl/ or delivered directly to their e-mail address.

ESOL Student Conversation Group: March 3, 4:30-5:30 pm. For beginning and intermediate ESOL students with teacher Judy Foley.

Friends of the Library Book Sale: Saturday, March 4, 9:00 am-3:00 pm.

ESOL Volunteer Tutor Training: Free ESOL tutor training for English-speaking volunteers. March training dates two consecutive Sundays, March 12 and 19 from 1:30-4:30 pm. Call x233 to register.

March Art Exhibit: “on and off” - a retrospective of print work by John F. Russell (BFA USF) http://tampabay-online.org. Also, art teacher Linda Crawley’s McMullen Booth Elementary students will display their artwork.

Friends of the Library: The Friends meet the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm. The Friends welcome new members.

Players of Safety Harbor Adult Drama Group: Auditions will be held Friday, March 17 from 6:00-8:00 pm and Sunday, March 19 from 2:00-4:00 pm. Play is A Few Good Men by Aaron Sorkin.

St. Pete Beach Public Library

Meet the Author: Thursday, March 2, 2:00 pm. Faith Andrews Bedford presents her new book Country Living Barefoot Summers.

Screening of Crash: Saturday, March 4, 1:00 pm. Discussion of the film: Monday, March 6, 2:00 pm and Tuesday, March 7, 7:00 pm at the Don Vista Cultural Center, 3300 Pass-a-Grille Way.

St. Petersburg Public Library System

Main Library

Women’s History Month Events: “Uppity Women in Art”, Tuesday, March 14, 2:00 pm. Presented by the Museum of Fine Arts Speaker’s Bureau. Call 893-7724 to confirm.

North Branch

Conversational English Class: Wednesdays, 3:30-5:00 pm.

South Branch

Family Story Time: Thursday, March 2, 7:00 pm.

Craft Club: Saturday, March 4, 2:00 pm.

Reading Buddies: Volunteer to be a reading buddy, call 893-7244.

West Community Library

Family Story Time: Thursday, March 2, 7:00 pm.

Seminole Community Library

AARP Tax Assistance: Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 9:00 am-8:00 pm. Thursdays, 9:00 am-5:00 pm.

Classic Movie Matinee: Thursdays, 2:00 pm.

March 2 – Three Coins in the Fountain

March 9 – Homecoming

March 16 – Some Like It Hot

March 23 – Yours, Mine and Ours

March 30 – They Call Me Mr. Tibbs!

AARP Safe Driving: Monday, March 13 & Wednesday, March 15, 9:00 am.

AALI: Wednesday, March 8, 6:00 pm.

Implant General Denistry Seminar: Wednesday, March 8, 3:30 pm.

Investors Business Daily Group: Wednesday, March 22, 6:30 pm.

Mom’s Club of Seminole: Monday, March 6, 10:00 am.

Sean Scott Medicaid Seminar: Tuesday, March 7, 2:00 pm.

Suncoast Fibromyalgia Support Group: Saturday, March 18, 11:00 am.

Suncoast Suicide Prevention: Wednesday, March 15, 7:00 pm.

Sunshine Stitches: Tuesday, March 7, 6:30 pm.

Toastmasters: Tuesday, March 28, 6:15 pm.

Tarpon Springs Public Library

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

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

AARP Free Tax Help: Mondays and Tuesdays, 10:00 am-2:00 pm.

Writers Group: Fridays, 10:00 am.

Ten Steps to Starting Your Own Business: Wednesday, March 1, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm. Free seminar presented by the Pinellas County Chapter of SCORE (The Service Corps of Retired Executives). Registration is required.

Friends of the Library Author Luncheon Series: Tuesday, March 7, 11:30 am. Authors Tara Randel and Kimberly Llewellyn. Cost is $15 and includes a boxed gourmet lunch. Reservations are required. To register, call 944-3042.

Manage Your Money, Build Your Wealth Workshop: Tuesday, March 7, 6:00-8:00 pm 3 part series of presentations. Registration is required. Call 582-2673 to register. Series continues on March 14 and 21, participants must attend all three seminars.

From the Cook’s Shelf: Wednesday, March 8, 7:00 pm. Cajun Madness: Remembering New Orleans and Mardi Gras. Bring your favorite recipes and samples to share.

Sol Peska Film Series: Thursday, March 9, 2:00 pm. Free film showing of Bitter Rice (1949) starring Silvana Mangano.

An Introduction to the American Arts and Crafts Home (1900-1915): Monday, March 13, 3:00 pm. Come learn about the latest Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art exhibition. Refreshments will be served.

Accessories for Success: Monday, March 13, 7:00 pm. A series of seminars that assist women in understanding their investments and finances. Series continues on March 22 and 28. Contact the library to register.

Free Blood Pressure Screening: Thursday, March 16, 1:00 pm-3:00 pm. Provided by Helen Ellis Home Care. Screening available on a first-come, first-served basis.

An Afternoon with Charles and Catherine Dickens: Saturday, March 18, 2:00 pm. Performance by Tom and Deanna Bennett as Mr. and Mrs. Dickens.

Understanding the Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Plan: Friday, March 24, 2:00 pm. Presented by Walgreens. Please call the library to register.
Cooperative Libraries

Administrative Office
Pinellas Public Library Cooperative
1330 Cleveland Street
Clearwater, FL 33755
Phone: 441-8408
Fax: 441-8938
www.pplc.us
Mon - Fri 8:30am - 5pm

Born to Read
1330 Cleveland Street
Clearwater, FL 33755-5103
Phone: (727) 441-2861
Fax: (727) 441-8938
Mon - Fri 9:30am - 4:00pm

Deaf Literacy Center
101 Second Street North
Safety Harbor, FL 34695
Phone: (727) 724-1525 x232
Fax: (727) 724-1533
TDD: (727) 724-1529
www.tblc.org/shpl/def_services.html
Mon - Thurs 9am - 5pm

Talking Book Library
1330 Cleveland Street
Clearwater, FL 33755-5103
Phone: (727) 441-9958
Fax: (727) 441-3168
TDD: (727) 441-8938
www.pplc.us/tbl
Mon - Fri 9am – 4:30pm

Clearwater System
Main Library & Offices
100 N. Osceola Avenue
Clearwater, FL 33755
Phone: 562-4970
http://www.clearwaterlibrary.org
Mon - Thu 9am - 9pm
Fri - Sat 9am - 8pm

Beach Branch
483 Mandalay Avenue
Clearwater, FL 33767
Phone: 462-6890
Mon - Wed 9am - 5pm
Thursday 11am - 7pm
Friday 9am - 5pm

Countryside Branch
2741 State Road 580
Clearwater, FL 33761
Phone: 699-1290
Mon - Thu 9am - 5pm
Fri - Sat 9am - 5pm
Sunday 1pm - 5pm

East Branch
2251 Drew Street
Clearwater, FL 33765
Phone: 669-1280
Mon - Thu 9am - 9pm
Fri - Sat 9am - 5pm

North Greenwood Branch
905 N. Martin Luther King, Jr. Ave.
Clearwater, FL 33755
Phone: 462-6895
Mon, Wed, Fri 9am - 5pm
Tue, Thu 10:30am - 7pm

Dunedin Library
223 Douglas Avenue
Dunedin, FL 34698
Phone: 298-3080
http://www.dunedingov.com
Mon - Wed 9:30am - 8pm
Thu - Fri 9:30am - 6pm
Saturday 9:30am - 5pm
Sunday 1pm - 5pm

East Lake Community Library
4125 East Lake Road
Palm Harbor, FL 34685
Phone: 773-2665
http://www.eastlakelibrary.org
Mon - Thu 9am - 8pm
Fri - Sat 10am - 5pm

Gulf Beaches Library
200 Municipal Drive
Madeira Beach, FL 33708
Phone: 391-2828
http://www.tblc.org/gulfbeaches
Mon, Wed, Fri 10am - 6pm
Tue, Thu 10am - 9pm
Saturday 10am - 5pm

Gulfport Library
5501 28th Avenue S.
Gulfport, FL 33707
Phone: 893-1074
http://www.tblc.org/gpl
Mon - Thu 9am - 8pm
Fri 9am - 9pm
Saturday 9am - 5pm

Largo Public Library
120 Central Park Dr.
Largo, FL 33771
Phone: 587-6715
Reference: 587-6748
TDD: 587-6778
Mon - Thu 9:30am - 9pm
Fri - Sat 9am - 5pm
Sunday 1:00pm - 5pm

Oldsmar Library
101 State Street West
Oldsmar, FL 34677
Phone: (813) 749-1178
http://www.tblc.org/oldsmar
Mon - Thu 9am - 8pm
Fri - Sat 9am - 5pm

Palm Harbor Library
2330 Nebraska Avenue
Palm Harbor, FL 34683
Phone: 784-3332
http://www.palmharborlibrary.org
Mon - Thu 10am - 8pm
Fri - Sat 10am - 5pm

Pinellas Park Library
7770 52nd Street
Pinellas Park, FL 33781
Phone: 541-0718
Reference: 541-0719
http://www.tblc.org/pppl
Mon - Thu 9am - 8:30pm
Fri - Sat 9am - 5pm
Sunday 1pm - 5pm

Safety Harbor Library
101 2nd Street North
Safety Harbor, FL 34695
Phone: 724-1525
TDD: 724-1529
http://www.tblc.org/shpl
Mon - Thu 9:30am - 8pm
Friday 9:30am - 6pm
Saturday 9:30am - 5pm
Sunday 1pm - 5pm

St. Pete Beach Library
365 73rd Avenue
St. Pete Beach, FL 33706
Phone: 363-9238
http://www.tblc.org/SPB
Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat 10am - 5pm

South Branch
2300 Roy Hanna Drive S.
St. Petersburg, FL 33712
Phone: 893-7244
Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat 9am - 6pm
Tue, Thu 9am - 9pm

West Community Library @ SPC Gibbs Campus
750 66th St. N.
St. Petersburg, FL 33710
Phone: 341-7199
Mon - Thu 7:30am - 9pm
Fri 7:30am - 4pm
Sat 10.00am - 5pm

Seminole Community Library @ St. Petersburg College
9200 113th Street North
Seminole, FL 33722-2800
Phone: 394-6905
http://www.spc.edu/SCL/

Tarpon Springs Library
138 E. Lemon Street
Tarpon Springs, FL 34689
Phone: 943-4922
http://www.tblc.org/tarpon
Mon - Wed 10am - 9pm
Thu, Fri 10am - 6pm
Saturday 10am - 5pm

James Weldon Johnson Branch
1059 18th Avenue South
St. Petersburg, FL 33705
Phone: 893-7113
Mon, Tue, Wed 9am - 9pm
Thu, Fri, Sat 9am - 6pm

Mirror Lake Branch
280 5th Street North
St. Petersburg, FL 33701
Phone: 893-7268
Mon - Fri 9am - 6pm
Saturday 9am - 6pm

North Branch
861 70th Avenue North
St. Petersburg, FL 33702
Phone: 893-7214
Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat 9am - 6pm
Tue, Thu 9am - 9pm

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March 1  
Clearwater Public Library System  
Main Library  
Screenwriting Workshop with Kirsten Smith: 7:00 pm.  
Screenwriting credits include Legally Blonde, Ella Enchanted, and Ten Things I Hate About You. Reception to follow.  
Gulf Beaches Public Library  
Tampa Bay’s Gulf Beaches Historian, Wayne Ayers: 2:00 pm.  
March 3  
Gulfport Public Library  
Friends Room Gallery Walls: Opening reception at 6:00 pm.  
Annual exhibition of paintings by Gulfport Senior Artists (Betty Staebell, instructor). Exhibit continues through March 30.  
March 4  
Safety Harbor Public Library  
Friends of the Library Book Sale: 9:00 am-3:00 pm.  
Tarpon Springs Public Library  
Dr. Seuss on the Loose: 2:00 pm. (Ages 3 and up) Celebrate Dr. Seuss’ birthday with stories, crafts, games and a visit from a famous cat!  
March 5  
Palm Harbor Public Library  
Celebrate Women’s History Month: 3:00 pm. Join us for the library’s Fifth Annual Women’s History Month Celebration. The event will be highlighted by an operatic performance by Julia Coulmas.  
March 6  
Dunedin Public Library  
Chris Lamb, Author of Blackout: The Untold Story of Jackie Robinson’s First Spring Training: 7:00 pm. Author Chris Lamb chronicles the struggles Robinson faced on and off the field as he integrated baseball in Florida.  
March 7  
Clearwater Public Library System  
Main Library  
Irish Books Pilgrimage: Noon. Travel to sites associated with the great old books of Ireland with calligrapher Ruth Pettis. Celtic music performed by Susan Boyer Haley begins at 11:30 am.  
Dunedin Public Library  
Marshall Frank, Author: 7:00 pm. Thirty years of law enforcement have provided Marshall Frank with a tremendous reservoir of experiences from which to tap for his thrillers.  
Palm Harbor Public Library  
Palm Harbor Public Library’s Strawberry Festival: All day. 1:00 pm – “Berry” special toddler story time. 2:00 pm – Preschool “Berry Pickers” storytime. 6:30 pm – school-aged “Merry Berries” story time and craft.  
Tarpon Springs Public Library  
March 8  
Clearwater Public Library System  
Countryside Branch  
Sunshine State Reader Trivia/Craft: 3:30 pm. The World According to Humphrey. Call the library to register.  
March 9  
Largo Library  
Brain Tattoo, Building Your Business: 5:30 pm-6:30 pm. Karen Post will explain how branding can be used to enhance your business and increase your exposure. Call 587-6748 to register.  
Palm Harbor Public Library  
Peace Corps Presentation: 7:00 pm. Learn about the Peace Corps and consider joining volunteers around the world.  
Tarpon Springs Public Library  
Sol Peska Film Series: 2:00 pm. Free film showing of Bitter Rice (1949).  
March 11  
Pinellas Park Public Library  
Antiquarian Book Expert: 1:00 pm. Meet Jay Dobkin, antiquarian book expert. Free evaluation of up to 3 books per person.  
St. Pete Beach Public Library  
Island Festival VI: 9:00 am-2:00 pm. Annual celebration of culture on the Pinellas beaches at the Gulf Beaches Historical Museum in Pass-a-Grille. Features an Authors’ Row.  
March 12  
Seminole Community Library  
Sunday Musical: 3:00 pm. Flamenco Guitarist Nathan Herrera combines the excitement of flamenco & the lush harmony of jazz.  
March 15  
Dunedin Public Library  
Irish Music with Christopher Morgan: 6:30 pm. Bring the whole family for an evening of Irish music for St. Patrick’s Day.  
March 18  
East Lake Community Library  
Hypnosis Workshop: 11:00 am. Patricia V. Scott from UP Hypnosis Institute will be here to talk about what hypnosis can and cannot do for us.  
March 21  
Largo Library  
10 Steps to Start a Successful Business: 6:00 pm-8:00 pm. Acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to start and operate your own small business. To register call Charlie Cronk 584-2321.  
Palm Harbor Public Library  
Business Seminar: 5:30 pm. Your Business: Today, Tomorrow and Beyond, a three-part business seminar developed by the Business Assistance Program of Palm Harbor, begins with a panel discussion on “Business Ethics.”  
March 25  
Gulf Beaches Public Library  
Friends of the Library Book Sale: 8:00 am-4:00 pm.  
Tarpon Springs Public Library  
Introduction to Improvisation/Comedy with Mr. Rick: (Grades 4-7) 2:00 pm. Learn the exciting and fun art of improvisation.  
March 27  
Tarpon Springs Public Library  
Musical Toy Box: (3 yrs & up) 1:30 pm. An introduction to orchestral instruments presented by the Florida Orchestra.  

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Clearwater Public Library System

Main Library

**Murder Mystery!** *Death Gets a Red Card.* Friday, March 31, 6:00 pm. A teen produced mystery drama to solve for middle schoolers.

Countrywide Branch

**HomeWorkHelp:** Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays, 3:00-5:00 pm.

**Check out TDI:** “Try Denting It” teen group. Call the library for information.

North Greenwood Branch

**Teen Volunteers:** Thursday, March 23, 5:30 pm. Join us to help plan future programs.

Express Yourself Teen Coffee House and Talent Show: (13-19 yrs) Thursday, March 30, 5:30 pm. Teens are invited to express themselves through music, dance, song and poetry in competition for prizes!

Read & Recreate Library Book Club: Read three age appropriate books and earn a free day pass to the North Greenwood Recreation Center. Pick up a book and report log at the library and bring it back to receive your pass.

Dunedin Public Library

Dunedin Youth Volunteers (D.Y.V.): Monday, March 6, 6:30 pm. Our teen volunteer group meets to plan, assist and create programs.

**Star Wars:** (12-18 yrs) Saturdays, March 4, 11, 18, 2:00 pm. We’re watching all the Star Wars in order.

Teen Book Discussion: (14 yrs & up) Monday, March 13, 6:30-7:30 pm. *Nickel & Dined* by Barbara Ehrenreich.

Teen Writing Workshop: (12-18 yrs) Monday, March 27, 6:30 pm.

Chess Club: (All ages) Thursday, March 23, 4:00-6:00 pm.

East Lake Community Library

Teen Movie Night: (Grades 6 & up) Saturday, March 11, 6:00 pm.

Gulfport Public Library

Scrapbookers Club for Adults and Teens: Saturday, March 11, 1:00 pm. Some scrapbooking supplies available, but you need to furnish your own 12x12 scrapbook album.

Largo Library

**Teen Club Center:** We have two rooms available for groups of ten or less. Available during the month of March on Saturday the 4th and 25th from 1:30-4:30 pm. We have writing boards, a podium, audiovisual equipment, a large work area and staff to help.

**Teen Homework Center:** Every Sunday and Wednesday, 1:30-4:30 pm. We have teen tutors and library staff to help you.

Creative Writers Ink: Thursday, March 16, 7:00-8:30 pm. This program is designed for fiction writers interested in writing short stories, novelettes, novellas, or novels.

Metro Largo! Teen News Team: Tuesday, March 7, 5:30 pm-7:30 pm & Saturday, March 18, 10:00 am-noon. We’re looking for writers, reporters, graphic artists, marketers, and publishers! Meet experienced local professionals.

Teen Film Club: (13-19 yrs) Saturday, March 18. *Batman Begins.* Registration required. Call 587-6715 x2531 to register.

Palm Harbor Public Library

Youth Advisory Board: Teens ages 12-18 are invited to join the Youth Advisory Board, which meets each Wednesday from 3:30-4:30 pm.

Video Game Day: Saturday, March 18, 2:30-4:30 pm. Bring your own system and video games. Snacks will be provided.

Pinellas Park Public Library

Teen Book Discussion: Wednesday, March 22, 7:00 pm. Call 541-0716 to sign up.

Safety Harbor Public Library

Players of Safety Harbor Teens Drama Group: (12-17 yrs) Wednesdays, 4:30 pm.

Teen Library Advisory Meeting: (Middle school & up) Mondays, 4:30-5:30 pm.

Free Saturday Tutoring for Teens: Math:10:00 am-12:00 pm. Tutor: Vinay. Call 726-3386. Writing (middle school) 10:00 am-11:00 am. Tutor: Reba McGeorge. Call 725-1755.

St. Pete Beach Public Library

Scrappy Teens: Saturday, March 25, 10:30 am. You supply the photos, we supply the paper and scrapbooking tools!

St. Petersburg Public Library System

Main Library

Teen Advisory Council: (13-19 yrs) Time TBA. Call 892-5296.

South Branch

Teen Advisory Council: Tuesday, March 7, 4:30 pm. Teen council provides input on library programs, services materials for teen library users.

Teen Book Club: (Grades 9-12) Friday, March 10, 4:30 pm.

Chess Club: Wednesdays, 4:30 pm. Beginners or more advanced players are welcome.

West Community Library

Teen Scene: 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month, 6:30 pm-8:00 pm.

Seminole Community Library

Library Youth Advisory Board: Thursday March 2, 7:00 pm.

Tarpon Springs Public Library

Teen Crafts-Tie Dye: (13-18 yrs) Saturday, March 11, 2:00 pm. Please bring one pre-washed item (such as a pair of socks, pillowcase or white t-shirt) to dye. Registration is required.

Special Events - continued

March 28

Clearwater Public Library System

East Branch

Florida Mystery Writer Series: 2:00 pm. “Colorful Crime Writing with James Swain.” Books will be available for sale. Author reception to follow each program.

March 29

Largo Library

Amazing Trace: You’ve seen the “Amazing Race”, now try our Amazing Trace! Groups based on age. Elementary age: 10:00 am. Middle School age: 2:00 pm.

Seminole Community Library

Museum of Fine Arts Community Outreach Program: 2:00 pm. *Uppity Women in Art* by Docent Jeanne Fuller.

March 30

Clearwater Public Library System

North Greenwood Branch

Express Yourself Teen Coffee House and Talent Show: (13-19 yrs) 5:30 pm. Teens are invited to express themselves through music, dance, song and poetry in competition for prizes!

Largo Library

2nd Annual Small Business Expo: 5:30 pm-8:30 pm. Meet local business support groups and learn marketing and networking skills.

March 31

Largo Library

Amazing Trace: You’ve seen the “Amazing Race”, now try our Amazing Trace! Groups based on age. Teens: 2:00 pm.
Mission

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, March 7, noon-1:00 pm. Meet over lunch to discuss *Baker Towers* by Jennifer Haigh.
Circulo de Lectura: Wednesday, March 22, 1:00-2:00 pm. Spanish language book discussion group. *La Tia Tula* by Miguel De Unamuno.

East Branch
Mystery Readers Club: Tuesday, March 28, 9:30 am. Writings of John D. MacDonald.

Deaf Literacy Center
Safety Harbor Library
Book Discussion: Thursday March 23, 6:30 pm. *Deaf Again* by Mark Drolsbaugh. Sign Language interpreter will be provided.

Dunedin Public Library
Great Decisions Discussion Group: Tuesday, March 14, 7:30 pm. Topic: The U.S. and Iran.
Great Books Discussion Group: Tuesday, March 21, 7:00 pm. Topic: The Censors-Luisa Valensuela; We Say No-Eduardo Galeano; A Few Remarks-Vaclav Havel, Stanislav Devdry.
Contemporary Book Discussion Group: Tuesday, March 28, 7:00 pm. Topic: *Gilead* by Marilyn Robinson.

Gulf Beaches Public Library
Book Discussion: Tuesday, March 21, 10:30 am. *Our Lady of the Forest* by David Guterson.

Gulfport Public Library
CoffeeTalk: *The Birth of Venus*, by Sarah Dunant. Thursday, March 16, 10:00 am. Coffee is ready at 9:30 am. Copies of the book may be reserved at the Reference Desk.

Largo Library
Between the Covers Book Club: Wednesday, March 8, 7:00-8:30 pm. *A Thread of Grace* by Mary Doria.
Family Book Club: Thursday, March 23, 7:00-8:30 pm. *Ruby Holler* by Sharon Creech. Pick up your copy at the front desk in the Children’s Wing and begin reading today.

Oldsmar Public Library
Book Discussion: Thursday, March 23, noon. A lunch time book discussion on any novel by J.D. Robb or Nora Roberts. Bring a bag lunch, dessert will be provided.

Palm Harbor Public Library
PHIL’s Book Club: Monday, March 13, 11:00 am & 7:00 pm. *West with the Night* by Beryl Markham. Refreshments will be served.

Pinellas Park Public Library
Book Discussion: Thursday, March 16, 2:00 pm. *Frida* by Hayden Herrera.

Safety Harbor Public Library
Book Discussion: Tuesday, March 21, 2:00-3:00 pm. *Relics* by Mary Anna Evans, author of Faye Longchamp character series, returns to discuss her latest novel.

St. Pete Beach Public Library
Book Discussion: Tuesday, March 14, 10:30 am and Wednesday, March 15, 7:00 pm. *Vindication* by Frances Sherwood.

St. Petersburg Public Library System
Main Library
Mother/Daughter Book Discussion Groups: (7 yrs & up) Tuesday, March 20, 7:00 pm. Advance registration required. Call 893-7085.
Between Covers Book Club: Wednesday, March 15, 7:00 pm. Call 893-7193 or check the library’s website for the latest selection. (Meeting @ Panera Bread 1914 Fourth Street North)
The Bookers’ Club: Thursday, March 16, 10:30 am. Call 893-7193 for latest title.

St. Petersburg Public Library System
Mirror Lake Branch
Mystery Book Club: Monday, March 6, 1:00 pm. Call 893-7268 to confirm.

South Branch
Book Club: Thursday, March 9, 2:00 pm. *In Company of Cheerful Ladies* by Alexander McCall Smith
Mahogany Book Club: Saturday, March 18, 10:00 am. Read and discuss the works of African American writers.

West Community Library
West Community Group: Wednesday, March 22, 1:30 pm. Call 341-7199 or check website for the title.

Seminole Community Library
Booktalkers: Wednesday, March 1, 2:00 pm. *After the Fall* by Arthur Miller.

Seminole Community Library
Great Books Discussion Group: Monday, March 6, 2:00 pm & 7:00 pm. *Conscience* by Kant.

Tarpon Springs Public Library
Book Discussion Group: Thursday, March 23, 12:00 pm. *Peace Like a River* by Leif Enger.

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Library closings for the month of March are as follows:

**Seminole Community Library**

- March 5-12 (College out of session)
- Monday-Thurs. 9:00-8:00
- Friday 9:00-4:00
- Saturday 10:00-5:00
- Sunday 1:00-5:00

*Closed March 10 for Staff Development Day*


**Clearwater Public Library System**

**Main Library**

**Twilight Tales:** Tuesdays, 7:00 pm. Stories, finger plays, and more.

**Bright Minds:** (Preschoolers) Wednesdays, 10:00 am. Stories, learning activities, book related films and crafts.

**Mother Goose Time:** (2-24 mos) Thursdays, 10:00 am.

**Family Story Time:** (All ages) Saturdays, 11:00 am.

**First Friday Fun:** (5-8 yrs) March 3, 3:30 pm. Fun crafts after school!

**R.E.A.D.** Dogs: Saturday, March 11, 10:00 am noon. Sign up your child to practice reading aloud to a furry listener. Call 562-4970 x5236 for a reading time.

**Royal Readers:** (4-12 yrs) Wednesday, March 22, 3:30 pm.

**Guys Read:** (8-12 yrs) Friday, March 24, 3:00 pm. Read and talk about *The Contest* by Gordon Korman. Call 562-4970 x5236 to register.

**Family Signed Storytime:** (Preschoolers) Wednesdays, 10:00 am.

**Tuesdays, 5:30 pm. Homework and reading help by Gordon Korman.**

**Preschool Story Time:** (18-36 mos) Wednesdays, 10:00 am. Stories, learning activities, book related films and crafts.

**After School Crafts:** (5-12 yrs) Tuesdays, 4:00 pm.

**Spring Cleaning Crafts:** (All ages) Thursday, March 9, 3:30 pm. There will be a variety of crafts available to make.

**Special Storytime:** (2-5 yrs) “Down on the Farm”. Friday, March 10, 10:30 am.

**Movement and Music:** (2-5 yrs) Tuesday, March 14, 10:00 am. Registration required.

**Craft Corner:** (5-12 yrs) Tuesday, March 14, 10:00 am. Registration required.

**Children’s Programs**

**Christopher Morgan--Irish Songs:** Wednesday, March 15, 6:30 pm. Bring the whole family to hear Irish Songs for St. Patrick’s Day.

**Nifty Knitters Club:** (10 yrs & up) Thursday, March 16, 4:00-6:00 pm. Bring your own supplies or use ours.

**Sunday Fun Day:** (All ages) Sunday, March 19, 1:00-4:30 pm. Stop in the Youth Department for a special make-and-take craft. This month’s theme is “Spring Has Sprung”.

**Terrific Tuesday-Thomas the Tank Engine Jamboree:** (3-7 yrs) Tuesday, March 21, 6:30 pm. Registration required.

**Chess Club:** (All ages) Thursday, March 23, 4:00 pm.

**Bloming Fun--Gardening Craft:** (5-12 yrs) Tuesday, March 28, 2:00 pm. Registration required.

**Movie:** (All ages) *Madagascar*. Wednesday, March 29, 2:00 pm.

**Paper & Pencil Pizzazz:** (5-12 yrs) Thursday, March 30, 2:00 pm. Learn how to draw Spongebob. Registration required.

**East Lake Community Library**

**Teen Puppet Theatre:** (All ages) Mondays and Thursdays, 7:00 pm. Our Teen Library Council writes, produces and stars in amazing puppet shows.

**Little Lords and Ladies:** (Birth-3 yrs) Tuesdays, 10:15 am. Children enjoy finger plays & songs.

**Preschool Princes and Princesses:** (3-5 yrs) Tuesdays, 11:00 am. Stories, songs and finger-plays.

**Wednesday Knights:** (All ages) Wednesdays, 7:00 pm. A craft and story before bedtime with a “casual” dress-code – pajamas!

**Get Your Green On:** (All ages) Friday, March 17, 3:00 pm. Celebrate everything “Green”, refreshments will be provided.

**Gulf Beaches Public Library**

**Preschool Storytime:** (2-6 yrs) Wednesdays, 10:30 am.

**Gulfport Public Library**

**Afterschool Fun with Crafts:** Wednesday, March 15, 4:00 pm.

**Family Storytime and Crafts:** Wednesdays, March 8 & 22, 11:30 am.

**Family Craft Club:** Saturdays, March 4 & 18, 2:00 pm.

**Largo Library**

**Toddler Storytime:** (18-36 mos) Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:00 am.

**Preschool Storytime:** (3-5 yrs) Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11:00 am.

**Baby Time:** (For babies not yet walking) Wednesdays, 10:00 am.

**Toddler Music Time:** (10 mos-3 yrs) Wednesdays, 11:00 am.

**After School Crafts:** (5-12 yrs) Tuesday, March 28, 2:00 pm. Registration required.

**Naptime Tales:** (3 yrs & up) Mondays, 7:00 pm. Bring your own supplies or use ours.

**Twin Games!:** (3-7 yrs) Mondays, 7:00-7:30 pm. Pajamas are required.

**Family Story Night:** (Birth-3 yrs) Tuesdays, 10:15 am. Children enjoy finger play and songs.

**Paper & Pencil Pizzazz:** (5-12 yrs) Thursday, March 30, 2:00 pm. Learn how to draw Spongebob. Registration required.

**Oldsmar Public Library**

**Preschool Story Time:** (3-5 yrs) Thursdays, 10:00 am. Attendance is limited, please bring your library card for admission. Oldsmar resident have first priority.

**Palm Harbor Library**

**First Steps Parent/Child Workshops:** (1-3 yrs) Fridays, March 24-April 14, 10:00 am-11:00 am or 11:30 am-12:30 pm. A four-week series of workshops. In-person registration begins March 1 for families who have not yet participated in this program in 2006. Beginning March 18, previous participants are welcome to register if space permits.

**Mother Goose:** (Birth-2 yrs) Saturdays, March 11 and 25, 10:00 am.

**Toddler Story Time:** (18 mos-3 yrs) Mondays, March 13, 20 and 27, 10:00 & 11:00 am. (No story times on March 6; 10:00 am only on March 13.)

**Teddy Time Tales:** (3 yrs & up) Mondays, 7:00 pm. Bring your teddy bear to Miss Lisa’s bedtime stories. (Pajamas permitted!)

**Page Turner’s Family Story Time:** (All ages) Thursdays, 7:00 pm.
Parenting Series: Empowered Parents! (A series of free evening programs for parents of elementary students) Thursday, March 2, 6:45 pm. “Reading Power” – a common-sense approach to helping the beginning reader. Thursday, March 23, 6:45 pm. “Student Responsibility” – Study skills, listening skills, taking responsibility and making good choices all help to end the homework battle! Presented by Maureen Kaufman.

Mommmy and Me Creative Ceramics: (3-8 yrs) Saturday, March 4, 10:30 am. In-person registration begins Monday, February 13. Materials fee of $6.00 per person is required.

Brown Bag Lunch: (Homeschoolers, 7-10 yrs) Tuesday, March 21, 12:00-1:00 pm. A monthly book discussion and library skills program. This month’s topic – fantasy books and series. Phone registrations accepted for this program.

Pot Luck Tuesday: (K-3rd grade) Tuesday, March 21, 7:00 pm. Miss Chris is cooking up a story and a craft.

Brown Bag Lunch: (Homeschoolers, 7-10 yrs) Saturday, March 4, 1:30 pm for ages 8-12. Thursday, March 30 at 10:30 am for ages 5-8. In-person pre-registration is required. Call 784-3332 x206.

Construction Junction: (3-5 yrs) Friday, March 17, 10:30-11:30 am. Stories, activities and crafts. In person pre-registration required. Call 784-3332 x206.

Pinellas Park Public Library
Story Time: (3-5 yrs) Tuesdays, 10:00-10:30 am.
Mother Goose: (Ages Birth-3) Tuesdays, 10:45-11:05 am.
Reading Patch Club: (School age) Tuesdays, 3:00-3:30 pm. A reading incentive program for elementary school children that encourages reading books on their own level. Pick up folders at Youth Services.
Story Time Celebration: (3 yrs & up) Tuesdays, 7:00-7:30 pm.
Mother Goose: (Ages 4-6) Tuesdays, 10:30-10:50 am.
Chess Club: (17 yrs & under) Wednesdays, 3:00-4:45 pm. Free instruction & friendly competition for players of all levels.
Evening Mother Goose: (Birth-3 yrs) Thursdays, 7:00-7:30 pm.
YU-GI-OH Tournament: Saturday, March 4, 9:00 am. Registration required and begins at 9:00 am. Prizes awarded. Co-sponsored by Wal-Mart.
Cowboy Roundup: (All ages) Sunday, March 19, 2:00 pm. Call 541-0716 to register beginning March 1.
Mystery Dinner: (Grades 4-6) Friday, March 31. Registration required and begins March 17. For more details call 541-0716.
American Girl-Jess (2006): (Ages 6 – 12 yrs) Must read at least 1 book before registering) Friday, April 7, 7:00-9:00 pm & Wednesday, April 12, 11:30 am-1:30 pm. Friday, July 8, 7:00-9:00 pm & Wednesday, July 13, 11:30 am-1:30 pm. Each program will focus on a specific girl & include crafts, games & food. Registration required & begins March 24.

Safety Harbor Public Library
Baby and Me: (Birth-18 mos) Mondays and Fridays, 9:45 am.
Toddle Time: (18 mos-2 ½ yrs) Mondays, 10:30 am.
Family Story Time: (All ages) Mondays, 7:00 pm.
Young Story Time: (Birth-3 yrs) Tuesdays, 10:30 am.
Preschool Story Time: (Birth-5 yrs) Wednesdays, 1:30 pm.
Family Story Time for Spanish Speakers: (3-7 yrs) Saturday, March 11 & 25, 10:30 am.
Players of Safety Harbor Youth Drama Group: (6-12 yrs) Tuesdays, 4:30 pm.
Children’s Author: Tuesday, March 28, 1:30 pm-2:00 pm. Ce Ce Jensen will present her new book The Adventures of Alexandra with music.

St. Pete Beach Public Library
Mother Goose Time: (Birth-3 yrs) Tuesday, March 7, 21 and 28, 10:30 or 11:30 am.
Dolphin Club: (3 yrs & up) Tuesdays, 4:00 pm.
Library in the Park: Thursday, March 16, 4:00 pm. Stories, a craft and outdoor play at Hurley Park, 1501 Gulf Way.

St. Petersburg Public Library System
Main Library
Mother Goose: (Birth-3 yrs) Fridays, 9:30 am and 10:30 am.
Preschool Story Time: (3-5 yrs) Wednesdays, 10:00 am.

After-School Story Time: (6-12 yrs) Tuesdays, 4:00 pm.
Junior League Puppet Show: Tuesdays, March 7 & 14, 9:30 & 10:30 am.
Hubert’s Hair-Raising Adventure: Based on a book by Bill Peet. Groups must pre-register at 892-5296. Individual & walk-ins are welcome.
Family Story & Craft: (3-8 yrs) Thursdays, 7:00 pm.
Young Magicians: (7-16 yrs) Saturday, March 4, 10:00 am. Learn the art of illusion from a professional magician.
Saturday Puppet Shows: (All ages) March 18, 2:00 pm.

Preschool Story Time: (3-5 yrs) Mondays, 9:45-10:15 am.

Mirror Lake Branch
Humphry Dumpty: (Infants-crawlers) Mondays, 10:30 am and Wednesdays, 3:30 pm.
Jack & Jill: (Walkers-3 yrs) Mondays, 9:45 am and Wednesdays, 4:15 pm.
Preschool Story Time: (3-5 years) Tuesdays, 4:15 pm.

North Branch
Mother Goose: (Birth-3 yrs) Mondays, 11:00 am & Wednesdays, 10:00 am.

Preschool Storytime: (3-5 yrs) Wednesdays, 11:00 am

South Branch
Mother Goose: (1-3 yrs) Thursdays, 10:00 am.
Preschool Story Time: (3-5 yrs) Wednesdays, 10:30 am.

The Newberry Book Club: (8-12 yrs) Tuesday, March 14, 4:30 pm.

West Community Library
Preschool Story Time: (3-5 yrs) Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 10:00 am.
Mother Goose: (Infants-3 years) Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 11:00 am.
After-School Program: (5-10 yrs) Stories, songs, puppets, poetry & activities, 3:30 pm-4:30 pm.

Seminole Community Library
Toddler Storytime: (18-36 mos) Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:30 am.
Pre-School Storytime: (3-5 yrs) Tuesdays, 11:00 am.

Twilight Tales: (Pre-school-2nd grade) Mondays, 6:30 pm.

Family Movie: Saturdays, 2:00 pm. Films for all ages—free popcorn and sodas.
March 4 – Madagascar
March 11 – Cats & Dogs
March 18 – Most Vertical Primate
March 25 – Power Rangers Lightspeed Rescue

Board Game Day: Monday, March 27, 2:00 pm. Bring your favorite board game or use ours.

Tarpon Springs Public Library
Preschool Story Time: (3-5 yrs) Thursdays, 10:15 am.
Mother Goose Toddler Time: (1-3 yrs) Fridays, 10:15 am. Registration required.

Craft Saturdays: Saturdays, 10:00 am-3:00 pm.
Craft Club for Children: (6-12 yrs) Friday, March 3, 4:30 pm-5:30 pm. Registration required.

Dr. Seuss on the Loose: (3 yrs & up) Saturday, March 4, 2:00 pm. Celebrate Dr. Seuss’ birthday with stories, crafts, games and a visit from a famous cat!
Youth Chess Club: Monday, March 6, 3:30 pm-4:30 pm & Monday, March 20, 3:30 pm-4:30 pm. All ages and skill levels welcome to attend.
Reading Club: (9-12 yrs) Saturday, March 18, 2:00 pm. Call the library for book topic and to register.

Introduction to Improvisation/Comedy with Mr. Rick: (Grades 4-7) Saturday, March 25, 2:00 pm. Learn the exciting and fun art of improvisation.
Musical Toy Box: (3 yrs & up) Monday, March 27, 1:30 pm. An introduction to orchestral instruments presented by the Florida Orchestra.

Lizards with Miss Doreen: (All ages) Mondays, March 28, 3:00 pm.
Puppet Making Workshop: (5-9 yrs) Wednesday, March 29, 2:00 pm. Registration required.

Spring Crafts: (5-12 yrs) Thursday, March 30, 2:00 pm. Registration required.
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