Clearwater Main Library Offers Business Workshops in Partnership with SCORE, Counselors to America’s Small Business

SCORE Business Counselors present free workshops for small business owners monthly at the Clearwater Main Library. The most popular workshop is 10 Steps to Starting a Successful Small Business. Participants walk away with a clear idea of the complexities of the start-up process, from conception to research, planning, financing, launching and managing a small business. Other workshops include Planning for Your Business, which covers business plan writing and How to Make Your Business Thrive, Not Just Survive, which addresses building a business through marketing and management. SCORE counselors are also available at the library every Tuesday, between 10 am-3 pm, for one-on-one business counseling sessions. Registration is required for the workshops and the counseling sessions.

For more information, please contact Shannon Spencer at the Clearwater Main Library at (727) 562-4970, ext. 5045.

January 9: MAKE YOUR BUSINESS THRIVE, NOT JUST SURVIVE
February 13: 10 STEPS TO STARTING A SUCCESSFUL SMALL BUSINESS
March 12: MAKE YOUR BUSINESS THRIVE, NOT JUST SURVIVE
All workshops are from 5:30-7:30 pm.

Pinellas Library Cooperative Welcomes New 2007 – 2008 Board Members

The Pinellas Public Library Cooperative is pleased to announce its newly elected and appointed Board members for the 2007 – 2008 fiscal year. The Cooperative welcomes Board of County Commissioners appointment, Irv DeToro of Palm Harbor, and elected members, Patricia Bauer of Dunedin and Lisa Rohrer of St. Petersburg to their new Board positions. Mr. DeToro is the Vice Chairman of the East Lake Community Library Advisory Board, and Vice President of the Lansbrook Master Association Board. In his professional career, he served in senior management positions for the Xerox Corporation. In 1983, Mr. DeToro participated with other industry representatives in the White House Conference on Productivity. He was also selected by the White House to serve on the Private Sector Initiatives Panel and he participated in preparing a National Medal for Productivity recommendation for the White House. He has also authored several articles and books on improving organizational performance. Dr. Bauer serves as an adjunct professor for the Florida State University College of Information and the University of South Florida School of Library and Information Science. She is very active in both state and national library associations. Currently, she serves as the Director for Region V of the American Association of School Librarians. Dr. Bauer also actively participates on the Board for the Literacy Council of Upper Pinellas. Dr. Rohrer is the President of Sterling Research Group, Inc. She holds a Ph.D. from the Harvard Business School. In addition to her Ph.D., she holds a master’s degree in sociology from Harvard University and graduated magna cum laude from Wellesley College with a degree in psychology. She is a member of the Junior League of St. Petersburg and participates in library activities in her local community. These individuals will serve three year terms and be involved in decision making and planning on behalf of the public libraries in Pinellas County.

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

The Power and Joy of Giving

As the end of the year approaches, it is a special time for your libraries to express their gratitude for all of the support received throughout the year. This support comes from volunteer efforts, donations of books and supplies, and through charitable giving. Your generosity makes it possible to provide quality public library service in your community. If you are in the process of making your year-end charitable donations, we urge you to consider making a gift to the Pinellas Public Library Cooperative. You can complete the form below or make your donation online. Your public libraries work hard every day to enrich, nurture, and educate and we thank you for your consideration. May you have a joyous holiday!

Donate Now and Support Your Local Public Library!

Please detach this form, complete the information, and mail it with your check to the Pinellas Public Library Cooperative, 1330 Cleveland Street, Clearwater, Florida 33755.

I have enclosed a gift of $ ____________

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Donate online and save a stamp! Go to www.pplc.us and click on the Donate Now! link.
Book Discussions

Clearwater Public Library System
Main Library
Book Lovers Bistro: Tuesday, December 4, 12:00 pm.
Great Books Lecture: Thursday, December 13, 1:30 pm.
Círculo de Lectura (Spanish Book Club): Wednesday, December 26, 1:00 pm.
East Branch
Mystery Readers Club: Tuesday, December 18, 10:30 am.

Dunedin Public Library

East Lake Community Library
Book Club: Wednesday, December 19, 6:30-7:45 pm. The Measure of a Man: a Spiritual Autobiography by Sydney Poitier.

Gulf Beaches Public Library
Book Discussion: Tuesday, December 18, 10:30 am. A Wedding in December by Anita Shreve

Gulfport Public Library
Coffee Talk: Mr. Pip by Lloyd Jones. Join us for coffee, light refreshments, and lively conversation on Thursday, December 20. Coffee is ready at 9:30 am, discussion starts at 10 o’clock. Discussion guides are available at the library now. Copies of the book may be reserved at the Reference Desk.

Largo Public Library
The Last Word Book Club: Wednesday, December 5, 7:00 pm. The Shepherd, the Angel and Walter the Christmas Miracle Dog by Dave Barry.

Booktalking with Iris: Wednesday, December 12, 12:00 pm.

Books to Film: Sunday, December 9, 1:30 pm. Read the book then see the film. Following the film will be a discussion of the movie and the book it was based on. Little Women by Louisa May Alcott, starring Winona Ryder and Susan Sarandon.

Palm Harbor Public Library
PHiLs Book Club: Monday, December 10, 11:00 am or 7:00 pm. Old Friends by Pulitzer Prize winner Tracy Kidder. Refreshments will be served.

Pinellas Park Public Library
Book Discussion: Thursday, December 20, 2:00 pm. The Optimist's Daughter by Eudora Welty.

Safety Harbor Public Library
Book Discussion: Tuesday, December 18, 2:00-3:00 pm. Tourist Season: Stories by Enid Shomer.

St. Pete Beach Public Library
Book Discussion: Tuesday, December 11, 10:30 am & Wednesday, December 12, 7:00 pm. Winter Solstice by Rosamunde Pilcher.

Book Discussion: Thursday, December 27, 2:00 pm. Doctor Zhivago by Boris Pasternak.

St. Petersburg Public Library System
Check online or call for titles.
Main Library
Between Covers Book Club: Wednesday, December 19, 7:00 pm.
Bookers Club: Thursday, December 20, 11:00 am.

South Branch
Book Club: Thursday, December 13, 4:00 pm, Manhunt: the 12 Day Chase for Lincoln’s Killer by James Swanson.

Mahogany Book Club: Saturday, December 15, 10:00 am.

West Community Library

West Community Group: Wednesday, 1:30 pm.

Seminole Community Library
Booktalkers: Wednesday, December 5, 2:00 pm. The Mysterious Affair at Styles by Agatha Christie.

Great Books Discussion Group: Wednesday, December 19, 2:00 pm. The Iliad by Homer.

Adult Programs (continued from pg. 5)

Tarpon Springs Public Library
Genealogy Assistance with Mary Kay Heitmann: Wednesdays, 10:00 am-4:00 pm.

Writers Group: Fridays, 10:00 am.

Outside the Box with Mary Dresser: Tuesday, December 4, 7:00 pm. Author, Mary Dresser will discuss her latest book, Twilight of Grandeur.

Drumming Circle: Thursday, December 6, 4:00 pm. Presented by Giving Tree Music.

Bay Knit Wits: Wednesday, December 12, 6:00 pm. Knitting and crochet group.

From the Cook’s Shelf: Wednesday, December 12, 7:00 pm. Cookbook discussion group. Please call the library for this month’s topic.

History Discussion Group: Wednesday, December 19, 1:30 pm. Hosted by Jerry Garcia. Call for topic.

Free Blood Pressure Screening: Thursday, December 20, 1:30-3:30 pm. Provided by Helen Ellis Home Care.
Computer Classes

Clearwater Public Library System

Main Library
Registration required. Call 562-4970 x5036 or register online at http://www.myclearwater.com/cpl/comptrain.
Introduction to Windows: Wednesday, December 5, 10:00 am.
Introduction to Windows In Spanish: Wednesday, December 12, 6:30 pm.
Introduction to the Internet in Spanish: Wednesday, December 19, 6:30 pm.
Introduction to the Internet: Thursday, December 13, 10:00 am.
Introduction to Word: Wednesday, December 19, 10:00 am.

Countrywide Branch
Computer Literacy: Mondays, 6:00 pm & Wednesdays, 3:30 pm.
Computer Literacy: North Greenwood Branch
Introduction to the Internet: Wednesday, December 12, 10:00 am.

Deaf Literacy Center

Safety Harbor Public Library
Computer Skills for the Deaf: Individualized tutorials, as well as small group instruction is offered on an as needed basis. Call to schedule.

Dunedin Public Library
Drawing Toolbar in Word: Tuesday, December 4, 11:00 am & Wednesday, December 5, 7:00 pm.
Pictures in Word: Thursday, December 6, 11:00 am & Wednesday, December 12, 7:00 pm.
Creating a Flyer in Word: Tuesday, December 11, 11:00 am.
Drawing and Picture Toolbars in Excel: Thursday, December 13, 11:00 am & Wednesday, December 19, 7:00 pm.
Working with Complex Lists in Excel: Tuesday, December 18, 11:00 am.
Ask a Question: Thursday, December 20, 11:00 am.
There will be no computer classes during the last week of December.

Gulf Beaches Public Library
Introduction to the Internet: Friday, December 7, 12:00 pm.
Ask a Computer Expert: Wednesday, December 12, 12:00 pm.
Introduction to Web-Based Email: Friday, December 14, 12:00 pm.

Gulfport Public Library
One-on-One Computer Instruction: By appointment only.

Largo Public Library
Internet: Thursday, December 6, 1:00 pm. For teens over 13, adults and seniors. A quick and easy talk-based, hands on, 2 hour computer training course. Previous knowledge or experience not required. Instructor: Paulette Meeks. Class fee: $20 (resident), or $25 (non resident) for each session.

Palm Harbor Public Library
All hands-on computer training classes are on a first-come, first-served basis. In-person registrations taken on the day of class only. If you have any questions, please contact the Adult Services Department.

Computer Basics: Tuesday, December 11, 12:00-2:00 pm & Wednesday, December 19, 6:00-8:00 pm.
Introduction to Email: Tuesday, December 4, 12:00-2:00 pm & Monday, December 10, 6:00-8:00 pm.
Introduction to Microsoft Word: Please call the library for dates and times.

Surfing the Web / Internet I: Thursday, December 13, 1:00-3:00 pm. This instructor-led class is on a first-come, first-served basis. In-person registrations taken on the day of class only.

Buy & Sell on eBay: Friday, December 7, 12:00-2:00 pm.

Pinellas Park Public Library

Adult Beginner Computer Classes: Call for class schedule.
Special Session Computer Class: Wednesday, December 12, 7:00 pm.

Safety Harbor Public Library
Registration required for all computer classes.
Internet Recipe Websites: Friday, December 7, 9:45-10:45 am.
Internet Travel Websites: Friday, December 14, 9:45-10:45 am.
Blogs 101: Friday, December 21, 9:45-10:45 am.
Computer Tutorials: One-on-one 15-minute hands-on computer tutorials covering basic computer skills or a focused task. Friday mornings and by appointment.

St. Pete Beach Public Library
Sign-up for individual help with the online catalog and premium databases.

St. Petersburg Public Library System

Wireless @ St. Petersburg Public Libraries: Wi-Fi access available at all locations. Users are responsible for making sure their computer has the correct settings and necessary hardware. Copies of this policy are available at http://splibraries.org/policy.htm.

Main Library
One-on-One Internet Training: Call for an appointment
Johnson Branch
One-on-One Computer Training: Tuesdays, 10:00 am. Registration required
North Branch
One-on-One Computer Training: Wednesdays, 9:00 am, 10:00 am, 1:00 pm & 2:00 pm. Registration required
South Branch

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

Intro to Computers, Basic Internet & E-mail (Group Classes) Fridays, 10:00 am. (Classes will alternate) The intro to computers class is designed for adults with no knowledge of computers.

Tarpon Springs Public Library
Registration required for all computer classes.

Computer Basics: Thursday, December 6, 1:00 pm.

Internet Basics: Wednesday, December 19, 3:00 pm.

Introduction to Microsoft Word: Thursday, December 20, 1:00 pm.

Happy Holidays!

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Clearwater Public Library System

Main Library

One-on-One Business Counseling: Tuesdays, 10:00 am-3:00 pm.
Films on the Bluff: Tuesday, December 11, 6:00 pm.
Menus @ Main: Thursday, December 13, 12:00 pm. Cooking demo followed with food sampling.
Poetry Sundays: Sunday, December 2, 1:30 pm. Open mike: bring your own works or read favorites.

Countryside Branch

Real Lives Film Series: Wednesdays, 2:00 pm. December 5: Samm Davis Jr.: Mr. Entertainment; December 12: Sonja Henie: Fire on Ice; December 19: The Coors: A Family Brew; December 26: Vincent Van Gogh: A Stroke of Genius.

911 Cell Phone Project: Wednesday, December 26, 9:30 am. Free cell phone for seniors programmed to only call 911.

North Greenwood Branch

Wednesday Afternoon at the Movies: Wednesday, December 5, 2:00 pm.
Chess Club: Wednesday, December 19, 3:00 pm.

East Branch

Chess Club: Sundays, 2:00 pm.

Deaf Literacy Center

Palm Harbor Library

Individual Tutoring for the Deaf: Tuesdays 2:00-4:00 pm Call for appointment.

Adult Beginners Sign Language: Tuesdays, Aug. 28-Dec 4, 6:30 pm.

Pinellas Park Public Library

Individual Tutoring for the Deaf: Thursdays 2:00-4:00 pm. Call for appointment.

Adult beginners Sign Language: Thursdays Aug. 30-Dec 13, 6:00-7:00 pm.

Safety Harbor Public Library

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

Basic Deaf Literacy: Thursdays, 6:30-8:00 pm. Includes reading, writing and computer skills. Call for appointment.

Adult Beginners Sign Language: Mondays, Aug. 27-Dec 10, 6:00 pm.

Adult Intermediate Sign Language: Mondays, Aug. 27-Dec 10, 7:00 pm.

St. Petersburg Library South Branch

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

Adult Intermediate Sign Language: Tuesdays, Aug. 28-Dec 4, 6:00 pm.

Adult Beginners Sign Language: Tuesdays, Aug. 28-Dec 4, 7:00 pm.

Dunedin Public Library

Tuesdays at Two Film Program: 2:00 pm. Night at the Museum: December 4; The Impressionists: Monet: December 11; The Impressionists: Seurat: December 18.

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

Dunedin Writers Group: Most Fridays, 9:30 am. Call the Reference Desk to confirm the next meeting.

Literacy Program: The Literacy Council of Upper Pinellas will be having a free tutor training workshop beginning January 2, 2008. Call for information.


Women of Mystery: “Three Writers Who Forever Changed Detective Fiction”. Wednesday, January 9, 7:00 pm. Discussion led by novelist and Eckerd College teacher Lee Irby.

Women of Mystery: Wednesday, January 16, 7:00 pm. S is for Silence by Sue Grafton. Discussion led by novelist and Eckerd College teacher Lee Irby.

Women of Mystery: Wednesday, February 20, 7:00 pm. Vanishing Point by Marcia Muller.

Women of Mystery: Wednesday, March 19, 7:00 pm. Fire Sale by Sara Paretsky.

Outreach Program for Adults: If someone you know is homebound in Dunedin and would like monthly deliveries of library materials, please call our Outreach Department.

East Lake Community Library

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

Friends of East Lake Community Library: Tuesday, December 4, 6:30 pm. We always welcome new members.

Sign Language Beginners Class: (Adults) Wednesdays, 4:30-5:30 pm. Children may attend if they will sit quietly for an hour.

ELCL Writer’s Critique Group: Monday, December 10, 6:30-7:45 pm. This is a workshop for writers of all levels. Read excerpts of your works in progress and receive helpful feedback.

Advisory Board: Tuesday, December 11, 6:00 pm.

Foundation Planning Committee: Wednesday, December 12 & 26, 6:00 pm. All those interested in the planning of a new facility are welcome to attend.

Chess Club: Wednesday, November 14 & 28, 3:30 pm & Friday, November 9 & 23, 3:30 pm. If you have your own chess set, please bring it.

Toys for Tots 60th Anniversary: The East Lake Community Library cordially invites you to help us celebrate by donating new unwrapped toys for children ages 0 - 13 years. A collection box will be placed by the circulation desk and will be available during business hours from November 10-December 18.

The Friends of the East Lake Community Library December Specials: The Book Nook, located in the library lobby, is open during library operating hours, and offers a variety of quality used books & media at bargain prices! With the holidays coming, the Friends wish to remind the community to check the Book Nook for unique gift ideas.

Gulf Beaches Public Library

Film Movement: Tuesday, December 4, 5:30 pm. Fraulein.

Traditional Rug Hooking: Wednesday, December 5, 2:00 pm.

Just Poetry: Tuesday, December 11, 6:00 pm.

Travel Film: Wednesday, December 12, 2:00 pm. Brazil.

Writers Group: Thursdays, 10:00 am.

Investment Club: Thursdays, 2:30 pm.

Chess Club: Thursdays, 5:00 pm.
Adult Programs

Spanish Language Classes: Tuesdays 2:30 and Thursdays 5:00 pm.
Scrabble: Fridays 1:30 pm.

Gulfport Public Library
Socrates Café: These monthly discussion groups were inspired by the book The Six Questions of Socrates. Thursday, December 13, 10:00 am & Friday, December 28, 6:00 pm.
Suncoast Computer Users: Thursday, December 13, 6:00 pm.
“You Never Call, You Never Write!”—A History of the Jewish Mother: Wednesday, December 19, 1:00 pm. Sponsored by local chapter of Brandeis University National Women’s Club.

Gulfport Creative Short Story Writers: Wednesdays, 9:15 am-12:00 pm.

Largo Public Library
Poets Live: Monday, December 10, 6:00 pm. Open mic poetry readings.
Business Writing: Monday, December 10 & Wednesday, December 12, 4:00 pm. Participants will learn document organization, editing, grammar, sentence structure and more through practical applications of these skills. This course requires attendance both afternoons for completion. Instructional materials are included. Reservations required.

Palm Harbor Public Library
Business Assistance Center: Tuesdays, December 4 & 18, 1:00-3:00 pm & December 11, 5:00-7:00 pm. The Palm Harbor Library’s Business Assistance Center is dedicated to assisting the business and entrepreneurial community of Palm Harbor. The Library staff and the Business Assistance Specialist provide information, assistance, and advocacy to facilitate and advance the business development process through print media, electronic resources and training via telephone or in person. Contact Business Assistance Specialist Trevor Davis at 784-4287 for information.

Palm Harbor Writers Group: Tuesday, December 4, 6:30-8:00 pm. Share your creations and ideas with like minded friends and bring your poems, essays fiction and non fiction to share. Call or e-mail: phwritersgroup@verizon.net for details.
Socrates Café: Wednesday, December 5, 6:00-7:45 pm & Thursday, December 20, 1:00-2:45 pm. Join us for this overwhelmingly popular discussion group where suggested topics are voted on to discuss. See website www.philosopher.org for details.
Clam Bayou Jazz Band: Sunday, December 9, 3:00-4:30 pm. All are welcome to attend a free concert presented by the Clam Bayou Jazz Band. “Christmas in New Orleans” will be the theme this month. Refreshments provided.

Literacy: Monday, December 10, 12:30-2:00 pm & 6:30-8:00 pm. Come in and look at materials as well as talk to Literacy staff to answer questions and make suggestions.

Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing: Wednesday, December 12, 9:30 am – 12:00 pm. A representative from Florida Telecommunications Relay will be here to offer special phones and ring-signaling devices to qualified deaf or hard-of-hearing residents. Call 727 – 399 - 9983 (voice) or 727 – 399 - 9422 (TTY) for details. The library has an i2eye CSDVRS DVC-1000 Video Phone for on-site use by deaf and hard-of-hearing patrons. All phone calls are free.

Genealogy Help: Available in the Reference Department on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 1:00-3:00 pm.

Pinellas Park Public Library
Author Talk: Saturday, December 1, 2:00 pm. Tom Fincher, author of the novel The Pepper Tree Demon, will discuss his novel and the writing process. Signed copies of his book will be available for purchase at this event. Registration required.
Author Talk: Tuesday, December 11, 6:30 pm. Karen Card, author of How to Get More Love – 40 Tips to Make Love Work, will discuss her book and answer questions. Signed copies of her book will be available for purchase at this event. Registration required.

Safety Harbor Public Library
ESOL Grammar Workshop: Thursday, December 6, 6:30-7:30 pm. For ESOL students and tutors.
Ask A Genealogist: Tuesday, December 18, 3:00-4:00 pm.
Friends of the Library: The Friends meet the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm.

St. Pete Beach Public Library
Screening/Discussion of Sayonara: Friday, December 28, 1:00 pm. Starring Marlon Brando and Red Buttons.

St. Petersburg Public Library System
North Branch
ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages): Wednesdays, 3:30-5:00 pm. For new learners of the English language. It’s free start anytime, all are welcome.

South Branch
Craft Club: (All ages) Saturday, December 1, 2:00 pm.

West Community Library
Family Story Time: (All ages) Thursday, December 6, 7:00 pm. Storytelling for the entire family.

Writing for Fun and Profit: Thursdays, 2:00-3:30 pm. An informal writing workshop for the community and college students. For more information, contact Rosalind Miller, 381-1030.

Genealogy & Family History Lecture Series: Saturday, December 8, 10:00-11:00 am. Free lecture series about discovering your family history. Presented by Susan Hickok & Charlie Grandmason. Sponsored by the Friends of West Community, for more information contact the Friends at 341-7174 or 341-7172.

Seminole Community Library

Sean Scott Medicaid Seminar: Tuesday, December 4, 2:00 pm.
Hidden Stitches: Wednesday, December 19, 6:30 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.

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PPLC Member Library Policies & Services

MISSION STATEMENT
- Promotes, facilitates, and manages funding from public governmental agencies and private sources
- Facilitates the sharing of library talent, materials and services
- Promotes public library service development
- Promotes consensus on public service policies and service methods among member libraries
- Directly serves members of the public who require adapted library service through the Deaf Literacy Center, the Talking Book Library and Books by Mail
- Coordinates the access to information technologies
- Provides library staff with professional consultation and continuing education

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SERVICES
- Book discussions and reviews
- Books, tapes, CDs, videos, and magazines for checkout
- Community rooms
- Computer classes
- Home Delivery
- Friends of the Library and volunteer groups
- Internet access
- Interlibrary loan
- 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.
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Special Events

December 1
Safety Harbor Public Library
Friends of the Library Book Sale: 9:00 am-3:00 pm.

December 3
Safety Harbor Public Library
Teddy Bear Storytime: (All Ages) 7:00 pm.

December 4
Clearwater Public Library System
North Greenwood Branch
Presenting with Pizzazz: 4:30 pm. Learn how to give a dynamic speech or presentation.

Dunedin Public Library
Tiny Tales @ The Dunedin Community Center: 10:00 am. Join us for a special storytime.

Safety Harbor Public Library
Great Naturalist Reading Series—Three Marjories: 2:00-3:00 pm. Dr. Rinker highlights the writings of three Florida authors: Marjory Stoneman Douglas, Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings and Marjorie Harris Carr.

December 5
Dunedin Public Library
Santa Visit: (All Ages) 10:30 am. Come dressed in your best and talk with Santa. Don’t forget to bring a camera.

Author Tea with Romance Writer, Anita Lowe: 3:00 pm. Anita will talk about her books and writing career, answering questions about writing and publishing as well. Refreshments and a book-signing will follow the program.

December 6
Dunedin Public Library
Special Storytime at Adult Day Care Center: 10:30 am. We’ll meet at Neighborly Care Network at 820 New York Avenue in Dunedin. Celebrate Intergenerational Week! Stop by the Youth Information Desk for directions and information.

Gulfport Public Library
Happy Holidays: 6:30 pm. Gladys Varga returns with an all-new performance of holiday stories for kids of all ages!

December 7
Clearwater Public Library System
North Greenwood Branch
Trim the Library Tree: 3:00 pm.

Dunedin Public Library
Grandparents Breakfast: (All ages) 9:30 am. Join us for a morning of music, food and crafts with Grandma, Grandpa or your favorite older person. Special Guest Musician Christopher Morgan will join us. Registration required.

Holiday Choral Concert: 3:00 pm. Get in the holiday spirit at this festive concert presented by the East Lake High School Madrigal Singers. Refreshments will be served.

Pinellas Park Public Library
Holiday Game and Karaoke Night: (Middle and high school students) 7:00-10:00 pm. Come join the holiday festivities, refreshments, games and karaoke. Registration required.

December 8
East Lake Community Library
Holiday Fest: (Ages 6 & up) 2:00 pm. Celebrate the winter holidays at the library. There will be a puppet show, a dreidel game, and a visit from Santa! How about Karaoke carols?

December 9
Dunedin Public Library
Play ‘n Around Theatre presents The Elves & the Shoemaker: (All ages) 2:00 pm. Join Tiny and Shorty on their next assignment as they help an old shoemaker create the most exquisite pair of shoes in town. Fun for the whole family.

St. Pete Beach Public Library
Crosswords in the Stacks: 2:00 pm. Nationally syndicated puzzle maker Merl Reagle explains the construction process. $5/person donation to the Friends of the Library. Copies of Merl’s books available at a reduced price.

Seminole Community Library
Sunday Musicale: 3:00 pm. Victoria Garcia, Harpist. You’ll enjoy the enchanting sound of the harp as Victoria Garcia entertains you with holiday classics and more.

December 11
Dunedin Public Library
Holiday Folk Carol Concert: 7:00 pm. Susan Boyer Haley and her husband Bill will present an evening to remember, singing folk carols, accompanied by mountain dulcimer, banjo and mandolin. There will also be opportunities for the audience to sing along. Refreshments will be served after the program.

Safety Harbor Public Library
Holiday Storytime with Mrs. Claus: (Birth-5 yrs) 10:30 am.

December 13
Deaf Literacy Center
Seminole Community Library
Spotlight on Deafness-Signing Holiday Music: 6:00 pm. Contact rodriguez@pplc.us for additional information.

Safety Harbor Public Library
Film Showing: 6:00 pm. Chocolat, starring Juliette Binoche, Johnny Depp, and Judi Dench. Refreshments provided.

December 14
Dunedin Public Library

December 15
Safety Harbor Public Library
Holiday Parade: 1:00 pm. Watch for the Library float in the 27th Safety Harbor Annual Holiday Parade.

December 16
Dunedin Public Library
Sunday Fun Day: (All ages) 1:00-4:30 pm. Stop in the Youth Department for a special ‘make and take craft’. This month’s theme is “Happiness is Homemade”.

Pinellas Park Public Library
Sunday Spectacular-Snack with Santa: 2:00 pm. Join Santa for a fun filled afternoon. Registration required and begins December 1.

St. Pete Beach Public Library
Tea with Jane Austen: 3:00 pm. Celebrate the 232nd birthday of the world’s most popular author, and get a preview of the library’s new “Jane Austen Book Club.”

December 18
Dunedin Public Library
Family Story Swap: (All ages) 6:30 pm. An evening of stories and songs.

December 19
Safety Harbor Public Library
Brenna Hicks M.A. “The Kid Counselor”: 6:30-8:00 pm. Parenting workshop “Making Memorial Holidays.”

December 20
Largo Public Library
Christmas in Florida: 7:00 pm. Join Professor Emeritus Kevin McCarthy as he presents his program about the unique and very special phenomenon of Christmas in Florida.

December 23
Dunedin Public Library
Sugar Plum Fairy: (Ages 3 & up) 2:00 pm. Join Ballerina Gabrielle Elaina English as the Sugar Plum Fairy. She’ll be dancing a routine from the Nutcracker and answering your questions. Registration required.

December 27
Clearwater Public Library System
Main Library
High School Musical Sing-A-Long: 2:00 pm. Audience participation version of the popular movie. Countryside Branch

Tricky Dog Show: 10:30 am. A family friendly circus-style dog act.

Dunedin Public Library
Winter Blast: (Ages 5-12) 2:00 pm. Relax after your holiday with a penguin movie, snacks and a craft. Registration required.
Clearwater Public Library System

Main Library
Teen Advisory Group: Monday, December 17, 3:00 pm. Join the group and help plan teen library programs.
Teen Video Gaming: Tuesday, December 18, 5:30 pm. Play the latest video games, including Xbox, Wii, Playstation 2, Guitar Hero, and DDR.
Teen Art Club: Thursday, December 20, 3:00 pm. Basic supplies will be provided.

North Greenwood Branch
Teen Video Gaming: Tuesday, December 11, 4:00 pm.
Powerful Young Adults: Tuesday, December 18, 4:30 pm.
Drumming Circle: Friday, December 28, 2:00 pm.

Dunedin Public Library
Teen Holiday Party: (Ages 10 & up) Monday, December 3, 6:00-7:30 pm. Come celebrate the holiday season with a Luau. We will have snacks, crafts and limbo contests. Registration required.
Dunedin Youth Volunteers: Monday, January 7, 6:30 pm. Our teen volunteer group meets once a month to plan, assist and create programs for the youth of the community.

East Lake Community Library
Teen Library Council: Mondays, 5:00 pm. Teens meet to plan programs.
Chess Club: Wednesday, December 12 & 26 & Friday, December 14 & 28, 3:30 pm. If you have your own chess set, please bring it.

Gulfport Public Library
Scrapbookers Club for Teens and Adults: Saturday, December 8, 1:00 pm. Make beautiful pages of memories for yourself and your family. Some supplies available, but you need to furnish your own 12x12 scrapbook album.

Largo Public Library
Wii Weekend: (Ages 13-19) Saturday, December 8, 1:00 pm. Join us for Wii games.
Anime Cafe: (Ages 13-19) Tuesday, December 11, 6:00 pm. Watch some anime and enjoy some Asian food.

Palm Harbor Public Library
Youth Advisory Board: Thursdays, 5:00 pm. Discuss topics of interest, plan library programming and earn volunteer hours by doing community service activities.
Manga and Anime Club: Thursday, December 6, 6:30 pm. Discuss manga and Anime series.
Henna Tattooing: (Ages 12-18) Saturday, December 29, 2:00 pm. Join us in experiencing the ancient art of Henna tattooing. Express yourself by creating your own temporary tattoo.

Pinellas Park Public Library
Holiday Game and Karaoke Night: (Middle & high school students) Friday, December 7, 7:00-10:00 pm. Come join the holiday festivities, refreshments, games and karaoke. Registration required.
Candy Drawing: December 5-19. Come in and guess how many candies are in the candy jar. The closest guess without going over wins the jar and all of the candy. Separate drawings for children and teens.

Safety Harbor Public Library
Free Saturday Tutoring for Teens: Math and other subjects. 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Tutor: Vinay. Call 726-3386 to let Vinay know you are coming.

Teen Playwriting/Writing Workshop: (Ages 11-16) Tuesdays, 4:30-5:30 pm. Teens share and critique their play scripts and other original writings.
Teen Book Chat Club: (Ages 13-16) Thursdays, 4:30-5:30 pm. Share your favorite books and book swap. www.shlibraryteens.org Check out this teen web site created by teens, run by teens, for teens.

St. Petersburg Public Library System
Main Library
Monthly Teen Night: (Ages 13-19) Date & Time TBA, call Paul @ 892-5296 for more details.

South Branch
Teen Advisory Council/Teen Book Club: (Grades 9-12) Friday, December 14, 4:30 pm. Call or check on line for latest title.

West Community Library
Teen Scene: (Ages 13 & up) Thursdays, 6:00-8:00 pm. Call Kitt at 341-7185 for more information

Seminole Community Library
Libray Youth Advisory Board: Thursdays, December 6 & 20, 7:00 pm.

Tarpon Springs Public Library
Holiday Crafts: (Ages 10-17) Saturday, December 1, 2:00 pm. Make holiday gifts to give or keep. Registration required.
Youth Chess Club: Mondays, December 3 & 17, 3:30 pm. All ages and skill levels welcome.
Crafts and Cookies: (Ages 10-17) Saturday, December 8, 2:00 pm. Registration required.
Knit Club: (Ages 7-18) Saturday, December 15, 2:00 pm. Beginners and advance knitters welcome. Supplies are limited so participants are welcome to bring their own supplies.

Library closings for the month of December are as follows:

December 22
Pinellas Park Public Library

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December 24
Dunedin Public Library
East Lake Community Library
Gulf Beaches Public Library
Gulfport Public Library
Largo Public Library
Palm Harbor Library
Pinellas Park Public Library
Tarpon Springs Public Library

December 25
All libraries closed.

December 31
Gulf Beaches Public Library
Gulfport Public Library
Children’s Programs

Clearwater Public Library System
Main Library

Toddler Storytime: Thursdays, 10:00 am.
Preschool Storytime: Wednesdays, 10:00 am.

Little Ones Music and Stories: (Birth-3 yrs) Friday, December 7 & 21, 10:00 am.

Bright Minds: (Ages 3-5) Wednesdays, 10:00 am. Children will enjoy theme-based stories, songs, book-related films, crafts and other reading readiness/literacy activities.

Saturday Storytime: (Ages 3-7) Saturdays, 10:00 am, except Saturdays, December 22 & 29.

Countryside Branch

Toddler Storytime: Thursdays, 10:00 am.
Preschool Storytime: Wednesdays, 10:00 am.

Rising Stars: (Ages 3-6) Wednesdays, 3:00 pm. Stories, songs and crafts.

Homework Help: Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 3:00 pm.

Spanish Table: Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 4:00 pm. Practice or learn Spanish with high school student volunteers.

North Greenwood Branch

Workshop: Tuesday, December 4 & 11, 3:00 pm.

Craft Corner: Thursdays, 3:00 pm. On Thursday, December 27.

Friday Afternoon @ the Movies: Friday, December 21, 3:00 pm.

Preschool Storytime: Monday, December 3 & 10, 10:30 am.

East Branch

Preschool Storytime: (Ages 3-5) Wednesdays, 10:00 am. No storytime Wednesday, December 26.


First Christian Preschool Storytime: Thursday, December 6 & 13, 10:00 am.

Winter Crafts: Friday, December 28, 2:00 pm.

Deaf Literacy Center

Palm Harbor Library

Children’s Sign Language: “Flashing Fingers” (Ages 6-12) Aug 28-Dec 4, Tuesdays, 4:30 pm. Registration required.

Pinellas Park Library

Children’s Sign Language: (Ages 5-12) Thursdays, Aug 30-Dec 13, 4:00-5:00 pm. 15-week course.

Safety Harbor Public Library

Children’s Sign Language: (Ages 5-12) Mondays, Aug 27-Dec 10, 4:00-5:00 pm. 15-week course.

St. Petersburg Library South Branch

Children’s Sign Language: (Ages 5-12) Tuesdays, Aug 28-Dec 4, 4:00-5:00 pm. 15-week course.

Dunedin Public Library

Registration begins 2 weeks prior to a program unless noted otherwise.

No regular storytimes December 17-January 8.

Positively Preschoolers Storytime: (Ages 4-5) Tuesdays, 2:00 pm. Program is a repeat of the Thursday Preschool Storytime.

Baby & Me Storytime: (Birth-18 mos) Wednesdays, 10:00 am.

Toddler Time: (18-36 mos) Wednesdays, 10:30 am.

Storytime: (Ages 3-5) Thursdays, 10:30 am.

East Lake Community Library

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

Toddler Story Time: (Birth-3 yrs) Tuesdays, 10:15 am.

Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays, 11:00 am.

Family Story Time: (All ages) Wednesdays, 7:00 pm. A craft and story before bedtime with a “casual” dress-code – pajamas! (There will be no Family Story Time on nights when there is a special scheduled children's event.)

Holiday Fest: (Ages 6 & up) Saturday, December 8, 2:00 pm. Celebrate the winter holidays at the library. There will be a puppet show, a dreidel game, and a visit from Santa! How about Karaoke carols?

Gulf Beaches Public Library

Story Time and Puppet Show: (Birth-3 yrs) Tuesdays, 10:30 am.

Gulfport Public Library

Family Fun with Crafts: Saturdays, December 1 & 15, 2:30 pm.

Holiday Stories with Crafts and Puppets: Wednesday, December 12, 4:00-6:00 pm.

Largo Public Library

Family Story Night: Mondays, December 3, 10 & 17, 7:00 pm. Wear your pjs and bring your teddy bears.

Itsy Bitsy Baby Club: Tuesdays, December 4, 11 & 18, 10:00 am. For parents and caregivers with babies not yet walking.

Toddler Tales: (18-36 mos) Wednesday, December 5, 12 & 19, 10:00 am.

Preschool Storytime: (Ages 3-5) Thursday, December 6, 13 & 20, 10:00 am.

Candy Sushi: Friday, December 7, 5:00 pm. Roll up some tasty fun in the spirit of Japanese culture after your homework is done. Part of the Homework Center for 5th-8th graders.

Literature Resource Center: Thursday, December 13, 5:00 pm. Build up your computer skills with this useful tool for any school literature project. Part of the Homework Center for 5th-8th graders.

Palm Harbor Public Library

Mother Goose: (Birth-2 yrs) Saturdays, December 8 & 22, 9:30 am.

Toddler Story Time: (18 mos-3 yrs) Mondays, December 3, 10 & 17, 10:00 & 11:00 am.

Bedtime Bash: (Ages 3 & up) Mondays, December 3, 10 & 17, 7:00 pm. An evening story time - bring your teddy bears (pajamas optional).

Granny Jane’s Story Corner: (All ages) Wednesdays, December 5, 12 & 19, 3:00 pm. Santa visits Granny Jane on December 12!

The Kids Counselor-Reflecting Feelings: (Parents & caregivers) plus Abrakadoodle Art (Ages 4 – 8 for children whose parents are in the Kids Counselor program) Saturday, December 1, 10:30 am. Kids Counselor Brenna Hicks offers a parenting program focusing on your child's emotions and ways to strengthen your relationship. Registration required.

Holiday Card Creations: (Ages 8-12) Saturday, December 8, 10:00 am. Create unique holiday greeting cards. Registration required.

Breakfast With Santa: (Ages 3-5) Thursday, December 13, 10:00 am. Join Santa for breakfast and a sing-along, courtesy of the Palm Harbor Friends of the Library. Registration required.
Children’s Programs

MOSI Science Series - Physics Fun: (Ages 8 & up) Thursday, December 27, 1:30 pm. Explore the physical world around you with hands-on fun – see how physics gives you “super powers” and super strength! Registration required.

New Year, New Foods!: (Ages 8 & up) Friday, December 28, 1:30 pm. Personal Chef Kent Casey is back with some tasty new treats and recipes for the New Year! Registration required.

Pinellas Park Public Library
Chess Club: Mondays, 3:00-5:00 pm (Beginner instructions); 4:00-5:00 pm (Advanced instruction). Free play encouraged during club hours.

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 age children) Tuesdays, 3:00 pm. This is a reading incentive program for elementary school students. Children hear about great books and earn stickers and patches for reading. Attendance is encouraged but not required to earn incentives.

Mother Goose: (Birth-3 yrs) Wednesdays, 10:30-10:50 am.
Evening Mother Goose: (Younger children) Thursdays, 7:00-7:30 pm. The last Thursday of the month is our Pajama Party.

Candy Drawing: December 5-19. Come in and guess how many candies are in the candy jar. The closest guess without going over wins the jar and all of the candy. Separate drawings for children and teens.

Safety Harbor Public Library
Regular Storytime programs cancelled in December.

St. Pete Beach Public Library
Sunshine State Book Discussion Club: (Ages 10-12) Monday, December 3, 5:00 pm. Wildfire! by Elizabeth Starr Hill.

Mother Goose Time: (Birth-3yrs) Tuesday, December 4 & 18, 10:30 or 11:30 am.

Dolphin Club: (Ages 3 & up) Tuesday, December 4, 11 & 18, 4:00 pm. Longer stories and sometimes crafts to do, too.

Library in the Park: Thursday, December 13, 4:00 pm. Stories, a craft and outdoor play. *At Hurley Park, 1501 Gulf Way.

St. Petersburg Public Library System
Main Library
After-School Story Program: (Ages 6-12) Tuesdays, 4:00 pm
Cosmic Kids-Fantasy Sci-Fi Book Club: (Ages 8-12) December 18, 6:30 pm.

Puppet Show: St Petersburg Junior League presents Cat In The Hat, Monday, December 10, 10:00 am, groups must pre-register.

Mother Goose: (Birth-3 yrs) Fridays, 9:30 am & 10:30 am

Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Wednesdays, 10:00 am

Family Story & Craft: (Ages 3-8) Thursdays, 6:30 pm.

Kids Craft Corner: (All ages) Sunday, December 2, 2:00 pm. Make and take craft projects.

Sunday’s Puppet Show: (All ages) December 16, 2:00 pm.

Johnson Branch

Pre-school Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Fridays, 9:45 & 10:15 am.

Pre-School Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays, 11:00 am Registration required.

South Branch

Mother Goose: (Birth-3 yrs) Thursdays, 11:30 am.

Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays, 11:30 am.

Newberry Book Club: (Ages 8-12) Tuesday, December 11, 4:00 pm. Reading list available.

West Community Library

preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 10:00 am.

Pre-School Storytime: (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays, 11:00 am.

Twilight Tales: (Family storytime) Mondays, 6:30 pm. There will be no Twilight Tales on Monday evening, December 24.

Family Movie: Saturdays, 2:00 pm. Films for all ages—free popcorn and sodas. December 1: Napoleon; December 8: Muppets From Space; December 15: Prancer; December 22: Eloise at Christmas Time; December 29: The Lion King II-Simba’s Pride.

Tarpon Springs Public Library
No Story Time on December 20 & 27.

Pre-School Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Thursdays, 10:15 am.

Mother Goose Toddler Time: (Ages 1-3) Fridays, 10:15 am. Registration required. No Toddler Time on December 28.

Craft Saturdays: Saturdays, 10:00 am-3:00 pm.

Holiday Crafts: (Ages 10-17) Saturday, December 1, 2:00 pm. Make holiday gifts to give or keep. Registration required.

Youth Chess Club: Mondays, December 3 & 17, 3:30 pm. All ages and skill levels welcome.

Drumming Circle: Thursday, December 6, 4:00 pm. Presented by Giving Tree Music. All ages welcome.

Crafts and Cookies: (Ages 10-17) Saturday, December 8, 2:00 pm. Registration required.

Knit Club: (Ages 7-18) Saturday, December 15, 2:00 pm. Beginners and advance knitters welcome. Supplies are limited so participants are welcome to bring their own supplies.
It’s All @ Your Library!