Pinellas Public Library Cooperative Receives NEA Big Read Grant

The NEA presents the Big Read in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) and Arts Midwest, that encourages literary reading by asking communities to come together to read and discuss one book. The organizations selected to participate in the Big Read will receive grants ranging from $5,000 to $40,000 to promote and carry out month-long, community-based programs. The Big Read in Pinellas County will take place during October 2007.

The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald will be the focus of the countywide event. The library will partner with Pinellas County Schools, the St. Petersburg Times, and the Florida Orchestra as well as local cities and museums to provide cultural programming and book discussions about Fitzgerald’s novel. The event Kick Off will be hosted by the City of St. Petersburg at the Coliseum on October 2 and closing weekend activities will include an Afternoon Tea at the Plumb House hosted by the City of Clearwater on October 28. Book discussions, lecture series and teen lock-ins will also highlight the novel’s themes and provide an opportunity for the community to read and discuss the text together.

Modeled on successful “city reads” programs, the Big Read is meant to address the national decline in literary reading as documented in the NEA’s 2004 landmark survey Reading at Risk A Survey of Literary Reading in America. The survey showed that less than half the American adult population now reads literature.

“With the Big Read we want to get everyone in a community—from high school kids and office workers to public officials and senior citizens—reading a great book together,” said NEA Chairman Dana Gioia. “Our goal is to get people talking about Fahrenheit 451 or The Great Gatsby with the same conviction that they debate the World Series. We want people to feel worse about not reading the book than they do about missing an episode of CSI.”

In addition to grants, the NEA also will provide participating communities with a library of free materials, including reader’s and teacher’s guides for each of the Big Read novels, an audio guide for each novel featuring distinguished actors and writers, an online organizer’s guide for hosting a Big Read program, a customized television public service announcement, Big Read display materials, and a comprehensive program Web site.

For a complete list of the programs and dates, check out the St. Pete Beach Library’s website at www.tblc.org/spb.
**Friends of Palm Harbor Library**

*Share Love of Reading with Farm Workers Group*

One thing leads to another, they say . . . ! Marti Royo, Vice President of the Friends of the Palm Harbor Library, recently read a newspaper article that sparked her interest. She did an internet search on Farmworkers Self-Help, Inc., an organization in Dade City, and was so touched by what she read that she sent an email to the Director, Margarita Romo. The rest is history.

This non-profit group serves the many needs of approx. 15,000 impoverished Mexican and Mexican-American migrant and seasonal farm workers who live in Pasco County and parts of surrounding counties. Most do not speak, read or write English, and many do not read or write their native language. Romo, once a Mexican-American migrant farm worker herself, has been instrumental in setting up a clinic, job training, AIDS/HIV and tuberculosis programs, a thrift shop and food pantry, and much more. A remarkable woman, she sent a “Teen Dream Team” to Tallahassee to see how government works and gained support for the Transportation Safety Bill and the Kidcare Bill. She has created soccer and baseball fields to try to keep kids off the streets in a place where drugs and alcohol are easily available. She is turning a former crack house into an after-school café and is working to provide a hot meal for latch-key kids there.

Royo wanted to know if they could use books that were left over from the Palm Harbor Library’s bi-annual Book Sale, held in April. When told yes, she and her husband loaded their van with boxes of children’s books and delivered them to Dade City. There they met Romo and her assistant, Marisol Arellano, who gave them a tour of their complex of concrete-block, brightly-painted, well-kept buildings, including their education center, where they offer tutoring, after-school classes and a small collection of books. Romo was delighted to receive the used books and said any they don’t need will be sent to an even more impoverished area in the Panhandle where one of her co-workers is trying to set up a school.

For more information on Farmworkers Self-Help go to http://www.fsflorida.org.

**2007 Summer Reading at Largo Public Library**

Largo Public Library offers summer reading programs for all ages. This year’s theme is mysteries, which each department has interpreted in a unique way. The Get a Clue program encourages children ages 0-12 to explore the mysteries of the library with weekly programs and reading benchmarks to earn prizes all summer long. The teen program, You Never Know, encourages teens to work toward their individual reading goals and incorporates the thrill of the unknown with programs such as “Virtual Detective.” The adult program, Sleuthing in the Stacks, wraps up the case with book discussions, special events, and yes, they can win prizes, too.

**Harry Potter Wizards Can Win at Clearwater Libraries**

Library cardholders in grades 4-12 are invited to answer one trivia question each week from June 11 – July 20. Each question will come from a different Harry Potter book, and the answers can be found in the books. The first week’s question will come from the first book in the series; the second question will come from the second book, and so on. Ten winners will be chosen at random from all correct entries received, and each winner will receive a free copy of the final book, *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*.

Pick up an entry form at your local Clearwater library, fill it out, and drop it in the entry box. Limit one entry per person, per week.

The drawing will be held Saturday, July 21 during a Harry Potter film festival at the Clearwater Main Library, 100 N. Osceola Ave. Films will be shown from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Watch one or all of the movies. Costumes optional. Winners need not be present and will be notified by telephone.
Children’s Programs

Clearwater Public Library System

Main Library

Storytime News: (Ages 3-7) Tuesdays, 2:30 pm & Saturdays, 10:00 am. Stories, songs, and films related to the theme Read All About It!

Craft News: (Ages 5-10) Thursday, July 5, 12 & 26, 2:00 pm. Make crafts related to the theme Read All About It!

Puppet Shows: Fridays, 10:30 am. Watch the Dascaloja Puppeteers’ live performances.

Chalk Drawing: Monday, July 2, 10:00 am. Draw on the library’s sidewalk. Refreshments provided.

Magic Tree House Reading Party: (Ages 7-12) Tuesday, July 24, 1:30 pm. Reading, games and crafts based on the Magic Tree House books by Mary Pope Osborne. Registration required.

East Branch

Craft News: (Ages 5-10) Thursday, July 19, 2:00 pm. Make crafts related to the theme Read All About It!

Cartooning Party: Thursday, July 12, 10:45 am. Learn how to draw cartoons with Leah Lopez. This program will be held at the Beach Recreation Center, 69 Bay Esplanade.

Countries Branch

Storytime News: (Ages 3-7) Wednesdays, 10:00 am. Stories, songs, and films related to the theme Read All About It!

Puppet Shows: Thursdays, 10:30 am. Watch the Dascaloja Puppeteers’ live performances.

Chess Club: Thursdays, 3:15 pm. Play a friendly or competitive game.

Bedtime Stories: (Ages 5-12) Wednesday, July 18, 7:00 pm. Wear pajamas and bring a blanket or stuffed animal.

North Greenwood Branch

Craft News: Thursdays, 2:00 pm. Make crafts related to the theme Read All About It!

Puppet Shows: Mondays, 10:30 am. Watch the Dascaloja Puppeteers’ live performances.

Chess Club: Wednesdays, 3:30 pm. Play a friendly or competitive game.

Fly a Kite: Monday, July 9 & 16, 2:00 pm. Build and fly kites.

Read and 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 report log at the North Greenwood Library, fill it out and bring it back to receive your pass.

Friday Afternoon @ the Movies: 3:00 pm. Watch flicks to start off the weekend.

East Branch

Storytime News: (Ages 3-7) Wednesdays, 10:00 am. Stories, songs, and films related to the theme Read All About It!

Puppet Shows: Tuesdays, 11:00 am. Watch the Dascaloja Puppeteers’ live performances.

Chess Club: Fridays, 10:00 am. Play a friendly or competitive game.

Bedtime Stories: (Ages 5-12) Tuesday, July 31, 7:00 pm. Wear pajamas and bring a blanket or stuffed animal.

Deaf Literacy Center

Palm Harbor Library

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

Pinellas Park Library

Children’s Sign Language: (Ages 5-12) Thursday June 5-July 24, 3:30-4:30 pm.

Safety Harbor Public Library

Children’s Sign Language: (Ages 5-12) Mondays, 3:30-4:30 pm. Continued 8-week summer crash course.

St. Petersburg Library South Branch

Children’s Sign Language: (Ages 5-12) Thursdays, June 14-Aug 9, 4:00-5:00 pm.

Dunedin Public Library

Registrations where indicated may be made beginning the Friday before each week.

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

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

Preschool StoryTime: (Ages 3-5) Thursday, 10:30 am.

Playtime with Mom: (Toddlers up to 3 yrs) Fridays, 10:30 am.

Read with a “Furry Friend”: (All ages) Thursday, July 5, 1:00-2:00 pm. Stop in and read with Cherry the Dog.

Game Days: (All ages) Saturday, July 7, 1:00-4:30 pm. Stop by and play the library’s collection of board games.

Calligraphy for Kids: (Ages 7-12) Sunday, July 8, 2:00 pm. Learn the basics and write your name using a cool pen. Registration required.

Everlasting Picnic: (Ages 7-12) Monday, July 9, 6:00-7:30 pm. Our Dunedin Youth Volunteers have planned a special picnic for you. Registration required.

Playing Card Craft: (Ages 5-12) Tuesday, July 10, 2:00 pm. We’ll fashion a unique piece of art using regular playing cards. Registration required.

Comic Strip Design: (Ages 7-12) Thursday, July 12, 2:00 pm. Artist Lauren Blackburn will help you construct a comic strip and funny comic strip ideas. Registration required.

Fritzy Bros. One Man Circus: (All ages) Friday, July 13, 2:00 pm. Watch Fritzy juggle, ride a unicycle and perform amazing tricks for you!

Storyteller Katie Adams with News from Storytown: (All ages) Monday, July 16, 6:30 pm.

Airborne!: (Ages 7-12) Thursday, July 19, 2:00 pm. Make a paper glider and Frisbee. Registration required.

Newspaper Dolls: (Ages 7-12) Tuesday, July 24, 2:00 pm. We’ll create dolls out of everyday newspaper. Registration required.

Sing, Spell, Read & Write Graduation Party: Thursday, July 26, 4:00 pm. This event is for participants of the 8-week SSRW program.

End of Summer Party: Friday, July 27, 2:00 pm. Co-READ-ian the Comedian - The Reading Motivator! An interactive performance that encourages the enjoyment of reading. Open to all youth participants of the Summer Reading Program.

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.
Children’s Programs

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

Watermelon Pig Out: (All ages) Saturday, July 7, 1:00 pm. Break from summer reading for some old-fashioned refreshment.

Go Hog Wild and Draw It-with Leah: (Ages 7 & up) Saturday, July 14, 1:00 pm. Cartooning workshop.

Pig Craft: (All ages) Saturday, July 28, 1:00 pm. Learn how to make pigs fly in this ornament making workshop.

Gulf Beaches Public Library

Summer Reading Program: Tuesdays, 2:00 pm. The program is primarily for elementary school age children. Participants must read or be read to at least one day per week: adventure, graphic novels, travel picture books, biography or poetry. Discuss the book with the librarian. The information is logged and everyone will receive a special prize.

Gulfport Public Library

Fun with Books and Crafts: Fridays, 3:00 pm.

Family Storytime and Crafts: Saturdays, 2:00 pm.

Summer Reading Programs: Ongoing through August 9. Register for fun and prizes!

Largo Library

Family Story Night: Mondays, 7:00 pm. Come in your pj’s and bring your favorite stuffed animal.

Toddler Storytime: (Ages 1-2) Thursdays, 10:00 am.

Preschool Storytime: (Ages 3-5) Thursdays, 11:00 am.

Morning Stories: (All ages) Saturday, July 7, 14 & 21, 10:30 am.

Rick Osorio book signing of The Great Adventure of Sally Rock and El Lobo: Friday, July 13, 2:00 pm. Author Rick Osorio will sign and sell his newest title.

Project Pup Reading Dogs Day: (Elementary age) Saturday, July 28, 10:00 am. Increase your reading confidence by reading to man's best friend. Registration required.

Project Pup Reading Dogs Day: (Elementary age) Sunday, July 29, 2:00 pm. Improve your reading confidence by reading to man's best friend. Registration required.

Get A Clue: Summer Reading Programs

Discover It! Science Mysteries: (Elementary age) Wednesday, July 11, 2:00 pm.

Up, Up & Away with Mad Science: (Elementary age) Friday, July 13, 2:00 pm.

Explain it! Real Life Mysteries: (Elementary age) Wednesday, July 18, 2:00 pm.

African Drumming with Steve Turner: (Elementary age) Friday, July 20, 2:00 pm.

Find it! Treasure/Scavenger Stories and a Hunt: (Elementary age) Wednesday, July 25, 2:00 pm.

Razzmatazz: (Elementary age) Friday, July 27, 2:00 pm.

Oldsmar Public Library

Summer Reading for Children: Read books or listen to audio books and enter drawings for great prizes! Pick up entry forms at any library service desk. Continues through August 3.

Palm Harbor Public Library

Museum Mania Summer Programs


Book Raiders School Age Reading Club: (Completed K-5 grade) July 1 – 28. Come to the “Book Raiders Dig Site” in the Children's Room with your book logs to “dig” for artifacts and report on the books you’ve read. Receive prizes and an invitation to Family Night after you’ve reported on five books.

Mother Goose: (Birth-2 yrs) Saturdays, July 7 & 21, 9:30 am.

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

Bedtime Bash: (Ages 3& up) Mondays, 7:00 pm. Family bedtime stories (pajamas optional!)

Explorers Encore: (Parent & child; Ages 3-5) Thursdays, July 12-August 2, 4:00 pm. Join Miss Chris for some exciting stories about ancient civilizations and prehistoric adventures!

Museum Movies: (Ages 7 & up) Tuesday, July 3, 1:30 pm. Abbott and Costello Meet the Mummy.

Museum Movies: (Ages 7 & up) Wednesday, July 18, 1:30 pm. From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler

Pinellas Park Public Library

Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays, 10:00-10:30 am.

Mother Goose: (Birth-3 yrs) Tuesdays, 10:45-11:05 am & Wednesdays, 10:30-10:50 am.

Story Time Celebration: (Birth-3 yrs) Tuesdays, 7:00-7:30 pm.

Word Fun: (Younger Elementary School Children) Wednesdays, 10:00 am. Designed to promote literacy skills over the summer. Registration required and began May 16. Program began June 6 and ends July 25.

Summer Youth Programs Read All About It-Front Page Stories: Thursdays, July 5, 12, & 19, 2:00 pm. Stories in unique and fun ways including storyboards, puppets and story telling. There will be a craft or game at each program.

Chess Club: Thursdays (Beginner Instruction 3:15-4:00 pm) (Advanced Instruction 4:00-5:00 pm). Free play encouraged during club hours. For players of all levels.

Evening Mother Goose: (Younger children) Thursdays, 7:00-7:30 pm. The last Thursday of the month is our Pajama Party. Don’t forget to wear your favorite pj’s!

YU-GI-OH Club: Saturday, July 14, 9:00 am. Registration required and begins at 9:00 am (must be registered by 10:00 am to play). Prizes awarded. Co-sponsored by Wal-Mart.

Sunday Spectaculars: Sunday, July 22, 2:00 pm. Join us for book sharing, songs, games, crafts and a snack. Registration is required and begins July 1.

Safety Harbor Public Library

July Storytime: (Ages 3 & up) Fridays, 11:00 am.

Special Guests: Wednesday, 1:00 pm. July 11 (Ages 5-11) Lori Harris “The Pet Professor” talks about pet care; July 18 (Ages 5-8) Miss Cloyce’s Dance Party II; July 25 (Ages 4-8) Let’s Sing and Sign.

Special Parent Program: Wednesday, July 11, 6:30 pm. Brenna M. Hicks M.A. Psychology (The Kid Counselor) will present a series of programs. First session “Limit Setting: Loving and Respectful Discipline.”

Books Alive: (Ages 8-11) Thursdays, 2:00 pm. Join us for a read aloud and listening share session of popular short stories from some of your famous authors followed by open discussion, comments and food.
Children’s Programs

Summer Reading Program: Through July 30. Youth receive prizes for every 4 hours they read or are read to.

POSH Kids Drama Group: (Ages 2-6) Starts Thursdays, July 19, with a performance Saturday, August 18 at 2 pm. Registration starts Monday July 2.

POSH Youth Drama Group: (Ages 7-11) Wednesdays, 4:30-5:30 pm. Performance Many Moons is Sunday, July 22, 2:00 pm.

St. Pete Beach Public Library

Summer Reading Club/Listening Club: (All ages) Continues through August.

Mother Goose Time: (Birth-3 yrs) Tuesday, July 3, 17, 24 & 31, 10:30 or 11:30 am.

Reading with Tucker: Tuesdays, 3:00 pm. A specially trained therapy dog gives kids the confidence they need to read aloud.

Dolphin Club: (Ages 3 & up) Tuesdays, 4:00 pm. Longer stories and sometimes crafts.

Sunshine State Book Discussion Club: (Ages 10-12) Mondays, 7:00 pm. Titles TBA.

Creative Writing Workshop: (Ages 10 & up) Saturday, July 28, 10:30 am. Sharing of stories/poems and wrap-up.

St. Petersburg Public Library System

Main Library

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

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

Family Story & Craft: (Ages 3-8) Thursdays, 7:00 pm.

Young Magicians: (Ages 7-16) Saturday, July 7, 10:00 am. Teaching the art of illusion to children.

Super Action Saturday Movies: Saturday, July 14, 2:00 pm, Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire & July 28, 2:00 pm, Fantastic Four

Johnson Branch

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

Humpty Dumpty: (Infants-crawlers) Mondays, 10:30 am & Wednesdays, 3:30 pm.

Jack & Jill: (Walkers-3 yrs) Mondays, 9:45 am & Wednesdays, 4:15 pm.

Preschool: (Ages 3-5) June 5 & 19, 10:00 am.

FLYP Program: (Ages 5-12) Fridays, 2:00 pm.

North Branch

Mother Goose: (Birth-3 yrs) Mondays, 10:00 am & 11:00 am, Wednesdays, 9:45 & 10:30 am. Registration required.

Pre-School Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Wednesdays, 11:30 am. Registration required.

South Branch

Mother Goose: (Birth-3 yrs) Thursdays, 10:00 am.

Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays, 10:30 am.

Newberry Book Club: (Ages 8-12) Tuesday, July 10, 4:30 pm. Reading list available.


West Community Library

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

Mother Goose: (Birth-3 yrs) Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 11:00 am.

Seminole Community Library

Toddler Storytime: (18-36 mos) Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10:30 am. No program Tuesday July 3 or Thursday July 8.

Pre-School Storytime: (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays & Thursdays, 11:00 am. No program July 3 or Thursday, July 8. Enjoy a puppet show at the end of each storytime!


Wonderful Wednesdays: July 11: Storyteller Windell Campbell will entertain you using dramas, puppets, and props; July 28: Things That Go Bump in the Night. Florida has many exotic reptiles and amphibians. Learn about some of them & even see a few up close; July 25: Mad Science. Witness how an ordinary object becomes a hot-air balloon, zoom across the floor on a hovercraft. Recommended for elementary school children.

Page Turners: (Grades 1-2 & adult) Tuesdays, 7:00 pm. Share their favorite book by doing short book talks & a craft. Weekly registration required.

Reading is Fun Fridays: (Grades 1-3) Fridays, 10:30 am. Join us for an hour of enjoyable reading related activities. Weekly registration required.

Mother-Daughter Book Club: (Grades 3-5) Mondays, 7:00 pm. Join us for lively book discussions, games & related activities. Registration required.

Parent-Son Night Out: (Grades 3-5) Thursdays, 7:00 pm. Share your favorite books and do some fun activities. Registration required.

Story-Telling Club: (Grade 3 & up) Tuesdays, 7:00 pm. Learn to be a master storyteller. Registration required.

Summer Sleepover: July 27, 6:30 pm. A child my attend one sleepover and must be entering grades 1-5 next school year. Registration required. For more information call 394-6913.

Tarpon Springs Public Library

Mother Goose Toddler Time: (Ages 1-3) Fridays, 10:15 am. Registration required.

Read’n Play: Fridays, 2:00-4:00 pm. Children will read to teen volunteers for a minimum of 20 minutes each week followed by playing an educational/reading board game. A special “Reading Celebration” will be given to participants who reach a minimum of 120 minutes of reading time by the end of the summer.

Craft Saturdays: Saturdays, 10:00 am-3:00 pm. A different craft each week.

Family Movies: Mondays, July 9 & 23, 2:00 pm. Current releases to be shown.

Animal Life on Honeymoon Island: (Ages 6-12) Wednesday, July 11, 2:00 pm. Registration required.

Fritz Brothers One-Man Circus: (Ages 4 & up) Thursday, July 12, 11:00 am. Program being held at the Tarpon Springs Heritage Center. Call the library for directions.

Everyday Electricity: (Ages 6-12) Wednesday, July 18, 2:00 pm. Presented by Great Explorations Children’s Museum. Registration required.

Knit Club: (Ages 7-18) Saturday, July 21, 2:00 pm. Beginners and advance knitters welcome. Supplies are limited. Participants are welcome to bring their own supplies.

*Tween Craft: (Ages 9-12) Tuesday, July 24, 2:00 pm. Memory Wire Bracelet. Registration required.
Book Discussions

Clearwater Public Library System
East Branch
Mystery Readers Club: Tuesday, July 24, 10:30 am. The theme is Medical Mysteries.

Gulf Beaches Public Library
Book Discussion: Tuesday, July 17, 10:30 am. A Pair of Blue Eyes by Thomas Hardy.

Gulfport Public Library
Books that Ring a Bell: Our SummerCoffeeTalk monthly discussion series continues with The Red Badge of Courage by Stephen Crane. Join us for coffee, light refreshments, and lively conversation on Thursday, July 19. Coffee is ready at 9:30 am, discussion starts at 10:00 am.

Largo Library
The Mystery of History: Tuesday, July 10, 7:00 pm. Sleuthing in the Stacks: Adult Mystery Reading Program. A book discussion group for mystery and historical fiction buffs.

Booktalking with Iris: Wednesday, July 11, 12:00 pm. Murder on the Orient Express by Agatha Christie.

The Last Word Book Club: Wednesday, July 11, 7:00 pm. Book discussion group organized by and for readers. This month’s selection is Blessings by Anna Quindlen.

Books-to-Film: Sunday, July 15, 2:00 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. Room with a View by E. M. Forster.

Oldsmar Public Library
Book Discussion: Thursday, July 26, 12:00 pm. Gabriel’s Story by David Anthony Durham.

Palm Harbor Public Library
PHil’s Book Club: Monday, July 9, 11:00 am or 7:00 pm. Blue Latitudes by Tony Horwitz. Refreshments will be served.

St. Pete Beach Public Library
Book Discussion: Tuesday, July 10, 10:30 am & Wednesday, July 11, 7:00 pm. Running with Scissors by Augusten Burroughs.

Book Discussion: Thursday, July 26, 2:00 pm. On the Road by Jack Kerouac.

St. Petersburg Public Library System
Call library or check online for latest book selections.

Main Library
Between Covers Book Club: Wednesday, July 18, 7:00 pm.

Bookers Club: Thursday, July 19, 10:30 am.

Johnson Branch
African-American Book Club: Monday, July 23, 7:00 pm.

Mirror Lake Branch
Classic Up Close: Tuesday, July 24, 2:00 pm.

North Branch
Thursday Morning Group: Thursday, July 5, 10:00 am.

Carl G. Jung Society Reading Group: Saturday, July 14, 2:00 pm.

South Branch
Book Club: Thursday, July 12, 2:00 pm.

Mahogany Book Club: Saturday, July 21, 10:00 am.

Computer Classes

Clearwater Public Library System
Main Library
Registration is required for all computer classes. Call 562-4970 x5036 or register online at http://www.myclearwater.com/cpl/comptrain.

Introduction to the Internet: Wednesday, July 11, 10:00 am.

Introduction to Word: Wednesday, July 18, 10:00 am.

Intro to Excel: Wednesday, July 25, 10:00 am.

Beach Branch
Beginning Internet or Email: Tuesdays, 10:00 am or Thursdays, 4:00 pm. Registration required. All classes last 1-hour.

North Greenwood Branch
Internet for Beginners: Wednesday, July 11, 10:00 am. Call to register.

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 for appointment.

Dunedin Public Library
Introducing Windows: Tuesday, July 10, 11:00 am.

Introducing Windows: Wednesday, July 11, 7:00 pm.

Getting Online: Thursday, July 12, 11:00 am.

Using Internet Explorer: Tuesday, July 17, 11:00 am.

Using Internet Explorer: Wednesday, July 18, 7:00 pm.

Search Engines: Thursday, July 19, 11:00 am.

Windows Media Player Part 1: Tuesday, July 24, 11:00 am.

Windows Media Player Part 1: Wednesday, July 25, 7:00 pm.

Windows Media Player Part 2: Thursday, July 26, 11:00 am.

East Lake Community Library
One Hour Computer Lab: Friday, July 13, 9:00-10:00 am. Get individualized help through online tutorials on specific computer questions and interests. Registration required and begins the first day of the month.

Gulf Beaches Public Library
Digital Camera Basics: Monday, July 9, 11:00 am. Call to register.

Introduction to the Internet: Wednesday, July 11, 12:00 pm.

Introduction to Web-Based Email: Wednesday, July 18, 12:00 pm.

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**Free One On One Computer Training:** Call to schedule an appointment with a library volunteer.

**Gulfport Public Library**  
**One-on-One Computer Instruction:** By appointment only—contact Alex Hooks at the Reference Desk, or call 893-1073.

**Largo Library**  
**Learn about Computers:** Class fee: $20 (resident) and $25 (non resident). Call 518-3131 to reserve your space.

**Spread Sheet:** Tuesday, July 3, 4:00-6:00 pm.  
**Email 1:** Tuesday, July 10, 4:00-6:00 pm.  
**Internet:** Tuesday, July 17, 4:00-6:00 pm.  
**Windows Part 2:** Tuesday, July 24, 4:00-6:00 pm.

**Word Processing Part 2:** Tuesday, July 31, 4:00-6:00 pm.

**Digital Camera:** Thursday, July 5, 1:00-3:00 pm.  
**Email 2:** Thursday, July 12, 1:00-3:00 pm.  
**Windows Part 1:** Thursday, July 19, 1:00-3:00 pm.  
**Word Processing Part 1:** Thursday, July 26, 1:00-3:00 pm.

**Palm Harbor Public Library**  
**Computer Lecture:** “Using Windows”. Saturday, July 21, 10:00 am-noon. Dave Dockery, President of the Tampa Bay Computer Society, will explain that Learning Windows is a journey—not a destination!

**Hands-on Computer Training:** “Computer Basics” Tuesday, July 10, 12:00-2:00 pm & Wednesday, July 18, 6:00-8:00 pm.  
“Introduction to Email” Friday, July 13, 12:00-2:00 pm.  
“Surfing the Web / Internet I” Thursday, July 12, 1:00-3:00 pm and Tuesday, July 31, 6:00-8:00 pm. All classes are on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Computer User Group:** Monday, July 16, 6:30-8:00 pm. The group offers planned activities and a question-and-answer session. All levels of expertise are welcome.

**Pinellas Park Public Library**  
**Adult Beginner Computer Classes:** For class schedule contact Information/Reference Desk (541-0719) for schedule of classes.

**Special Session Computer Classes-Viruses, Phishing & Scams:** Wednesday, July 11, 7:00 pm.

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

**St. Petersburg Public Library**  
**System**  
**Wireless @ St. Petersburg Public Libraries:** Wi-Fi access available at all locations. The library providing free Internet access points or hot spots for users with portable computers capable of receiving wireless signals. Printers are not available via the wireless connection. 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 Reference Desk at 893-7928 for an appointment.

**Johnson Branch**  
**Basic Computing:** Tuesday, July 3, 10:00 am. Registration required.

**Mirror Lake Branch**  
**Basic Internet & E-mail:** Tuesday, July 10, & 17, 10:00 am. Registration required.

**North Branch**  
**One-on-One Computer Training:** Tuesdays, 10:00 am, 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.

**Seminole Community Library**  
**Get Comfortable With Your Computer:** Tuesday, July 10 or Saturday, July 14, 1:00-5:00 pm. SPC registration/$25.00.

**Discover MS Word & Windows Programs:** Tuesday, July 17 or Saturday, July 21, 1:00-5:00 pm. SPC registration/$25.00.

**Digital Camera II-Getting Creative:** Friday, July 13 & August 10, 9:00 am-12:00 pm. SPC registration/$65.00.

**Portrait Photography:** Thursday, July 12 & August 2, or Friday, July 13 & August 3. SPC registration/$49.00.

**Buying and Selling on Ebay:** Tuesday, July 31 & August 7, 5:00-9:00 pm. SPC registration/$49.00.

**I Thought the World was Round-Not Flat!**: Tuesday, July 17 or Saturday, July 21, 1:00-5:00 pm. SPC registration/$49.00.

**Tarpon Springs Public Library**  
**Registration is required for all computer classes.**

**Computer Basics:** Thursday, July 5, 1:00 pm.

**Internet Basics:** Wednesday, July 25, 3:00 pm.

**Thursday, July 5, 1:00 pm.**

**Monday/Wednesday, July 11 & 30, 6:30-8:30 pm.**

**SPC registration/$75.00.**

**SPC registration/$25.00.**

**Welcome to the Internet & E-mail:** Tuesday July 24 or Saturday, July 24, 1:00-5:00 pm. SPC registration/$25.00.

**Digital Camera II: Getting Creative:** Friday, July 13 & August 10, 9:00 am-12:00 pm. SPC registration/$65.00.

**SPC registration/$49.00.**

**I Thought the World was Round-Not Flat!** Monday/Weekly, Wednesday, July 11 & 30, 6:30-8:30 pm. SPC registration/$75.00.

**TARPON SPRINGS PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**Registration is required for all computer classes.**

**Computer Basics:** Thursday, July 5, 1:00 pm.

**Internet Basics:** Wednesday, July 25, 3:00 pm.

**Introduction to Microsoft Word:** Thursday, July 26, 1:00 pm.

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**Library Closings**

**JULY 4**

All libraries closed.
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

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.
**Clearwater Public Library System**

**Main Library**

**Films on the Bluff: The Best of Art House Cinema:** Tuesday, July 10, 2:00 pm. *The Queen.*

**Business Programming:** Tuesdays, between 10:00 am-3:00 pm, One-on-one business counseling sessions. Call 562-4970 x5045 to register. Partnership with SCORE (Counselors to America's Small Business).

**Countryside Branch**


**Chess Club:** Thursdays, 3:15 pm. Play a friendly or competitive game with other chess enthusiasts.

**East Branch**

**Chess Club:** Fridays, 10:00 am. Play a friendly or competitive game.

**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, 6:30 pm. Continued 8-week summer crash course.

**Pinellas Park Public Library**

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

**Adult Beginners Sign Language:** Tuesdays, 6:00-7:00 pm. Continued 8-week summer crash course.

**Safety Harbor Public Library**

**Individual Tutoring for the Deaf:** Mondays, Wednesdays & 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, 6:00 pm. Continued 8-week summer crash course.

**St. Petersburg Library South Branch**

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

**Adult Intermediate Sign Language:** Thursdays, 6:00 pm. Continued 8-week summer crash course.

**Dunedin Public Library**

**Busting Hurricane Myths:** Wednesday, July 11, 7:00 pm. Join us for this one-hour informational session on preparing for hurricane season. Presenter Tom Lovino, Pinellas County Communications Specialist, will provide useful information on what you can do to learn how to avoid the most common hurricane pitfalls.

**Tuesdays at Two Film Program:** 2:00 pm. *Pleasantville:* July 3; *Surviving Everest:* July 10; *From Arizona to Alaska:* July 17; *From Texas to Yellowstone:* July 24; *Discoveries…America-Vermont:* July 31.

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

**Literacy Program:** The Literacy Council of Upper Pinellas (LCUP) will be having tutor training workshops this fall. Call for information.

**Outreach Program for Adults:** If someone you know is homebound in Duned in and would like monthly deliveries of library materials, call the library.

**SHINE (Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders):** The award-winning statewide volunteer-based program that assists Medicare beneficiaries and their caregivers in making informed decisions concerning health care issues. Tuesdays, 10:00 am-1:00 pm & 2:00-4:00 pm. Reservations required. Call for appointment.

**East Lake Community Library**

**Friends of East Lake Community Library:** Thursday, July 5, 6:30 pm.

**ELCL Writer’s Critique Group:** Mondays, July 9 & 23, 6:30-7:45 pm. Bring something to read and have critiqued or bring your critical skills to help someone else become a better writer.

**Advisory Board:** Tuesday, July 10, 6:00 pm.

**Drawing Workshop with Artist Mary Ann Evans:** (Ages 15 +) Saturday, July 14, 2:00 pm.

**East Lake Author’s Showcase:** Tuesday, July 17, 6:30-7:45 pm. Former publisher Molli Nichell will hold a workshop for writers on how to market their manuscripts.

**ELCL Writer’s Critique Group:** Mondays, July 9 & 23, 6:30-7:45 pm. Bring something to read and have critiqued or bring your critical skills to help someone else become a better writer.

**Book Club:** Wednesday, July 18, 6:30 pm. *Eat, Pray, Love: One Woman’s Search for Everything Across Italy, India and Indonesia* by Elizabeth Gilbert.

**English LIVE!** Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm. An informal gathering of non-native speakers practice English and have fun!

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

**Gulf Beaches Public Library**

**Film Movement:** Tuesday, July 3, 5:30 pm. *Something Like Happiness.*

**American Credit-Debit Collectors:** Saturday, July 7, 1:00 pm.

**Publishing Party:** Tuesday, July 10, 5:00 pm. Author Susan Ryan.

**Just Poetry:** Tuesday, July 10, 6:00 pm. The study of Haiku.

**Travel Film:** Wednesday, July 11, 2:00 pm. *Southern Ontario.*

**The Deaf and Hearing Connection for Tampa Bay:** Friday, July 20, 10:00 am.

**English @ Your Library:** Tuesdays, 6:00 pm. English for Speakers of other Languages (ESOL). Call for information.

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

**Gulfport Public Library**

**Scrapbookers Club for Teens and Adults:** Saturday, July 14, 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.

**Socrates Café:** Thursday, July 12, 10:00 am & Friday, July 27, 6:00 pm. These monthly discussion groups were inspired by the book *The Six Questions of Socrates.*

**Suncoast Computer Users:** Thursday, July 12, 6:00 pm.

**Genealogy Discussion Group:** Saturday, July 28, 1:00 pm. This is not a formal class, just an opportunity to meet and share experiences and information with others interested in delving into their family history.
Adult Programs

**MS Support Group:** Thursday, July 26, 10:00 am-noon. Informal group for persons with multiple sclerosis and/or their family and friends to share information and provide support. Facilitated by Tracy Woolrich, RN.

**G.E.D. Classes:** Prepare for the high school equivalency examination. Mondays & Wednesdays, 5:00-8:00 pm. (except City or school holidays) Through Lakewood Community School. FMI, call 893-2955.

**Gulfport Creative Short Story Writers:** Wednesdays, 9:15 am-noon.

**Largo Library**
- **Poets Live:** Monday, July 9 at 6:00 pm. Open mic poetry readings.

**Oldsmar Public Library**
- **Summer Reading for Adults:** Read books or listen to audio books and enter drawing for the grand prize. Pick up entry forms at any library service desk. Continues through August 3.

**Palm Harbor Public Library**
- **Socrates Café:** Thursday, July 19, 1:00-2:45 pm. Suggested topics are put into a jar, and facilitator Gene Mag selects one to discuss. See website www.philosopher.org for details.
- **Master Gardeners Series - Bugs In Your Garden:** Monday, July 30, 2:00 pm & 6:30 pm. Just one in a series of gardening classes we will be offering. Call the educators at the Pinellas County Extension Office at 727/582-2673 to reserve a seat.
- **Literacy:** New Tutor Training: Saturday, July 14, from 9:00 am-4:30 pm. Book Club: Join us for *Nightjohn* by Gary Paulsen on Thursday, July 26, from 7:00-8:00 pm. Call if you are interested in becoming a new tutor or student and have questions about our literacy program.
- **Genealogy:** General Meeting: The general meeting of the Suncoast Genealogy Society will be Monday, July 30, 7:00 pm. Genealogy Assistance with Ken Nichol: Thursday, July 12, 2:00 pm. Free film showing of *La Belle et la Bête*. Genealogy Assistance with John Kiwala: Tuesday, July 24, 7:00-9:00 pm. Invincible; July 10: *Saving Shiloh*; July 17: *How to Eat Fried Worms*; July 24: *Like Mike II: Street Ball*; July 31: *Air Buddies*.

**North Branch**
- **ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages):** Wednesdays, 3:30-5:00 pm. For new learners of the English language. All are welcome.
- **Family Story Time:** (All ages) Thursday, July 26, 7:00 pm.
- **Craft Club:** (All ages) Saturday, July 7, 2:00 pm.

**West Community Library**
- **Genealogy & Family History Lecture Series:** Thursday, July 12, 10:00-11:00 am. Lecture series about discovering your family history. Presented by Susan Hickow & Charlie Grandmason. Sponsored by the Friends of West Community, for more information contact the Friends at 341-7174 or 341-7172.
- **Family Story Time:** (All ages) Thursday, July 5, 7:00 pm.

**Seminole Community Library**
- **Classic Movie Matinee:** Fridays, 1:00 pm. Free popcorn & sodas provided. July 6: *My Man Godfrey*; July 13: *Along Came Jones*; July 20: *Mr. Blanners Builds His Dream House*; July 27: *North to Alaska*.
- **Sean Scott Medicaid Seminar:** Tuesday, July 10, 2:00 pm.
- **China Dolls:** Saturdays, 10:30 am.
- **Seminole Civician Club:** Thursdays, July 5 & 19, 6:30 pm.
- **Fibromyalgia Support Group:** Saturday, July 21, 11:00 am.
- **SPC Toastmasters:** Tuesdays, 6:30 pm.

**Tarpon Springs Public Library**
- **Busting Hurricane Myths:** Thursday, July 19, 2:00 pm. Join us for this one-hour informational session on preparing for hurricane season. Presenter Tom Iovino, Pinellas County Communications Specialist, will provide useful information on what you can do to learn how to avoid the most common hurricane pitfalls.
- **Genealogy Assistance with John Kiwala:** Mon., 10:00 am-4:00 pm.
- **Genealogy Assistance with Ken Nichol:** Tuesdays, 10:00 am-4:00 pm.
- **Writers Group:** Fridays, 10:00 am.
- **Bay Knit Wits:** Wednesday, July 11, 6:00 pm. Knitting and crochet group for all skill levels.
- **Peska Film Series:** Thursday, July 12, 2:00 pm. Free film showing of Jean Couteau's 1946 *La Belle et la Bete*.
- **Free Blood Pressure Screening:** Thursday, July 19, 1:30-3:30 pm. Provided by Helen Ellis Home Care.
- **Ten Steps to Small Business Success:** Thursday, July 24, 7:00-9:00 pm. Presented by the Pinellas County Chapter of SCORE (The Service Corps of Retired Executives). Registration required.
Special Events

July 3
Gulf Beaches Public Library
Summer Program: 2:00 pm. Reading with Reptiles. Meet Banana Boy.

Pinellas Park Public Library
Summer Youth Programs Read All About It-Special Editions: 2:00 pm. SPCA presents “Pet Care for Hot Summer Days”.

July 6
East Lake Community Library
Murder Mystery-On the Set: (Ages 10 & up) 6:00 pm. A murder has happened on the set of a new up-and-coming movie and you, the in-training security guards, must solve the crime!

July 7
St. Pete Beach Public Library
Free Screening of The 7th Voyage of Sinbad: 10:00 am. 1958 children’s classic based on a popular story from the Arabian Nights. *At the Beach Theatre, 315 Corey Avenue. Sponsored by the Friends of the St. Pete Beach Library.

July 9
Clearwater Public Library System
Razzmatazz Entertainment: 2:00 pm. Ventriloquism, magic, and juggling.

St. Petersburg Public Library System
FLYP Program: Reading All About It: 10:00 am. Magicville Gazette w/Luis Campaneria of A-1 Magic.

July 10
Clearwater Public Library System
Countryside Branch
Ronald McDonald: 2:00 pm. Stories, songs, and magic

Gulf Beaches Public Library
Summer Program: 2:00 pm. Mad Science: Spin, Pop Boom Special Event.

Pinellas Park Public Library
Summer Youth Programs Read All About It-Special Editions: 2:00 pm. Animal Kingdom with Doug Skull.

July 11
Clearwater Public Library System
North Greenwood Branch
Razzmatazz Entertainment: 11:00 am. Ventriloquism, magic, and juggling.

Gulfport Public Library
Summer Reading Special Events: 2:30 pm. Mark the Balloon Guy creates balloon hats!

St. Petersburg Public Library System
Main Library
FLYP Program: Reading All About It: 2:00 pm. Magicville Gazette w/Luis Campaneria of A-1 Magic.

July 12
Clearwater Public Library System
East Branch
The Earthlings’ Electric Washboard Band: 2:00 pm. Unique instruments, special effects, costumes, props and comedy.

Largo Library
Cholesterol-the Good, the Bad, and the Ugly: 7:00 pm. Nutritionist Stephanie Tober discusses the importance of learning what cholesterol is, why it’s both good and bad, how it affects your health, and how to manage your blood levels.

Safety Harbor Public Library
Tim Dorsey Author Talk and Book Signing: 7:00-7:50 pm. Tim Dorsey gives an informal talk and autographs copies of his books, including recent release Hurricane Punch. Dorsey’s tenth book, Atomic Lobster is due out in January 2008.

St. Petersburg Public Library System
Johnson Branch
FLYP Program: Reading All About It: 1:00 pm. Magicville Gazette w/Luis Campaneria of A-1 Magic.

July 13
East Lake Community Library
Scavenger Hunt-A Quest for the Golden Swine: (Ages 10 & up) 7:00 pm. The Golden Swine has been stolen and a challenge has been given. Only the brave and daring will be able to overcome the obstacles set in front of them.

St. Petersburg Public Library System
Johnson Branch
FLYP Program: Reading All About It: 1:00 pm. Magicville Gazette w/Luis Campaneria of A-1 Magic.

July 16
Clearwater Public Library System
Main Library
Ronald McDonald: 2:00 pm. Stories, songs, and magic.

Largo Library
Growing the Money in Your Purse: 7:00 pm. Candice Looney, Merrill Lynch Financial Advisor, shares financial wisdom geared specifically towards women.

July 17
Clearwater Public Library System
Countryside Branch
Didgeridoo Down Under: 2:00 pm. Australian-themed show with music, art, storytelling, dancing, puppetry, comedy, environmental education and audience participation.

Gulf Beaches Public Library
Summer Program: 2:00 pm. Movie Day: Snack & Drinks.
Special Events

Largo Library
How to Make Your Business Thrive–Not just Survive: 6:00 pm. Discuss skills needed to grow your business. You will learn the art of management and the communication skills needed to succeed in all areas of your business. This free workshop is presented by SCORE and sponsored through the partnership of the Largo/Mid-Pinellas Chamber of Commerce and the Largo Public Library.

Pinellas Park Public Library
Summer Youth Programs Read All About It-Special Editions: 2:00 pm. Fire Safety presented by Pinellas Park Fire Department with an appearance by Sparky the Fire Dog (costume character)

July 18
Clearwater Public Library System
North Greenwood Branch
Ronald McDonald: 11:00 am. Stories, songs, and magic.

Gulfport Public Library
Summer Reading Special Events: 2:30 pm. Critters from Clearwater Marine Aquarium!

July 19
Clearwater Public Library System
East Branch
Mad Science: 2:00 pm. Science-themed experiments.

Largo Library
Gulf Beaches with Beach Hunter David McRee: 7:00 pm. Florida beaches aficionado David McRee, also known as the Beach Hunter, will present his research in his book, Florida Beaches: Finding Your Paradise on the Lower Gulf Coast.

July 20
East Lake Community Library
Hogwarts School: (All ages) 6:30 pm. Professors Dumbledor and McGonagal will test your Harry Potter IQ.

July 21
Dunedin Public Library
Summer Brunch with Jeff Klingen: 11:00am-1:00pm. St.Petersburg Times writer Jeff Klingenberg will discuss the 10 books every Floridian should read. Tickets available at the Reference Desk

East Lake Community Library
Harry Potter Readathon: (Ages 12 & up) 12:15 am. Stay up all night and read the last in the series with fellow Harry Potter fans.

July 23
Clearwater Public Library System
Main Library
Fritzy Brothers One Man Circus: 2:00 pm. Balancing acts, unicycles, juggling and audience participation.

Dunedin Public Library
MOSI @ Your Library-Chemical Chaos: (Ages 10 & up) 6:00-7:30 pm. Join us in welcoming our special guests as they show how chemical reactions can cause light, heat and energy. Food and fun provided. Registration required

July 24
Clearwater Public Library System
Countryside Branch
Fritzy Brothers One Man Circus: 2:00 pm. Balancing acts, unicycles, juggling and audience participation.

Gulf Beaches Public Library
Summer Program: 2:00 pm. Amazing Balloon Hats. Registration required.

July 25
Clearwater Public Library System
Beach Branch
Growing Up on Clearwater Beach: 7:00 pm. Celebrate the 46th birthday of the Beach Library. Anne Garris, a lifelong resident of Clearwater will speak. Refreshments included.

North Greenwood Branch
The Earthlings’ Electric Washboard Band: 11:00 am. Unique instruments, special effects, costumes, props and comedy.

Gulfport Public Library
Summer Reading Special Events: 2:30 pm. Meet Sam (pets and people from the Pinellas Animal Foundation).

St. Pete Beach Public Library
The Last Word on Harry Potter?: 11:00 am. Discussion on Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows by J. K. Rowling. For children and adults.

July 26
Clearwater Public Library System
East Branch
Tricky Dogs Show: 2:00 pm. Circus-style dog act featuring four Terriers, one Poodle and their pet human Rick Martin.

Deaf Literacy Center
Safety Harbor Public Library
Spotlight on Deafness: 6:00 pm. “Deaf People and English”. Voice interpreter provided.

July 31
Clearwater Public Library System
Countryside Branch
Storyteller Ms. Jen-Jen: 2:00 pm. Jennifer Samuel-Chance shares stories and songs from around the world.

North Greenwood Branch
Fire Safety and Truck Tour: 2:00 pm. Presented by Elaine Lewis of Clearwater Fire & Rescue.
Teen Programs

Clearwater Public Library System
Main Library

Publix Teens Cooking: Thursday, July 12, 12:00 pm. Chef Bil Mitchell hosts a cooking demo with a Harry Potter theme. Limited to 25 participants.

Teen Newsletter: Wednesdays & Thursdays, 2:00 pm. Be a reporter and writer, and help create a newsletter. Registration required.

Video Gaming: Thursday, July 19, 6:00 pm. Bring a controller (if you have one). Registration required.

Student Library Tours: Research training available. Call for details or to schedule a tour.

Beach Branch

Cartooning Party: Thursday, July 12, 10:45 am. Learn how to draw cartoons with Leah Lopez. This program will be held at the Beach Recreation Center, 69 Bay Esplanade.

Video Gaming: Saturday, July 14, 1:00 pm. Play video games on large screens. Bring a controller (if you have one). Registration required.

Tea Club: Thursdays, 3:15 pm. Play a friendly or competitive game with other tea enthusiasts.

North Greenwood Branch

Video Gaming: Thursday, July 5 & 19, 4:00 pm. Play video games on large screens. Bring a controller (if you have one). Registration required.

Read and 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 report log at the North Greenwood Library, fill it out and bring it back to receive your pass.

East Branch

Anime & Manga Club: Monday, July 9 & 23, 1:00 pm. Cartoonist Leah Lopez teaches teens to draw Anime.

Video Gaming: Saturday, July 21, 1:00 pm. Play video games on large screens. Bring a controller (if you have one). Registration required.

Chess Club: Fridays, 10:00 am. Play a friendly or competitive game.

Dunedin Public Library

Harry Potter Party: (Ages 10 & up) Thursday, July 12, 6:00-7:30 pm. Join us and celebrate the next movie release. Play games (including Quidditch), eat and have an enchanting evening. Registration required.

East Lake Community Library

Teen Library Council: Mondays, 5:30 pm. Teens meet to plan programs.

Henna Tattoos: (All ages) Wednesday, July 25, 6:30 pm. Decorate yourself with these unique, artistic, temporary tattoos.

Gulfport Public Library

Teen Day: Mondays are Teen Days this summer! Read, win prizes, volunteer, hold puppet shows, read stories to preschoolers, help with crafts, posters and setup/cleanup. Sign up now.

Scrapbookers Club for Teens and Adults: Saturday, July 14, 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 Library

Anime Club: (Ages 13-19) Tuesday, July 10, 17, 24, & 31, 5:30 pm. Watch Anime series about mysteries, the supernatural and the unknown.

Summer Films: (Ages 13-19) Wednesday, July 11, 18, & 25, 2:00 pm. Teen rated mystery, suspense and scary films.

Treasure Trove: (Ages 13-19) Thursday, July 12, 2:00 pm. Find a buried treasure and play a pirate game.

Elementary, My Dear Watson: (Ages 13-19) Thursday, July 19, 2:00 pm. Play a detective game and watch a good mystery movie.

Virtual Detectives: (Ages 13-19) Thursday, July 26, 2:00 pm. Detective work goes online.

Oldsmar Public Library

Summer Reading for Teens: Read books or listen to audio books and enter drawings for great prizes! Weekly prizes and grand prize for teens. Pick up entry forms at any library service desk. Continues through August 3.

Palm Harbor Public Library

Plug In @ Your Library: (Ages 13-18) July 1-July 31. Register anytime for the Teen Summer Reading Club. Fill out book review slips for a chance to win weekly prizes!

Teen Writers Group: (Ages 13-18) Thursday, July 26, 6:15 pm. Read and critique each other's creative writing. Get tips on publishing and developing your style.

Teen Read Book Discussion: (Ages 13-18) Tuesdays, July 10 & 24, 1:30 pm. Vampires meet pirates is this month's theme! Come join us for lively book talks over pizza and soda.

CSI: (Ages 13-18) Thursday, July 19, 2:00 pm. Detective game and watch a good mystery movie.

POSH Teen Creative Writing Workshop: (Ages 13-18) Thursday, July 26, 6:15 pm. Read and critique each other's creative writing. Get tips on publishing and developing your style.

POSH Teen Playwriting Group: (Ages 13-18) Thursday, July 26, 6:15 pm. Have fun, food and write and critique original plays written by teens. Earn community service hours while having fun!

Pinellas Park Public Library

Plug in @ Your Library: June 4-July 27. Middle and High School students. It's simple. Read books you like, fill out a short form and be entered in a weekly drawing for great prizes.

Express Yourself-Teen Art Showcase: June 4-July 14. Express what is important to you through your favorite medium. Entries may include fiction or non-fiction essays (1500 word limit), poetry, photography, black ink or pencil art work. Entries will be showcased throughout the library and prizes will be awarded.

Safety Harbor Public Library

Booking It: (Ages 12 & up) Book discussion group focusing on selecting, reading and critiquing a book a week starting July 5 at 4:30 pm.

Free Saturday Tutoring for Teens: 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Tutor: Vinay. Contact him in advance at (727) 726-3386.

POSH Teen Playwriting Group: Tuesdays, 4:30-6:00 pm. Have fun, food and write and critique original plays written by teens.

POSH Teen Creative Writing Workshop: Mondays, 2:30-4:30. Have fun, food and learn to write like a master facilitated by local published 19-year-old author, Derek Matteson.

St. Petersburg Public Library System
Main Library

Monthly Teen Night: (Ages 13-19) Wednesday, July 18, 6:30 pm. Call Paul at 892-5296 for more details.
Teen Programs

South Branch
Teen Advisory Council: Tuesday, July 3, 4:30 pm.
Teen Book Club: (Grades 9-12) Friday, July 13, 4:30 pm.
Chess Club: Wednesdays, 4:30 pm. All ages & playing levels welcome.

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

Seminole Community Library
Teen Thursdays (Registration required)
Make a Scrapbook: July 12, 2:00-3:15 pm. Create a unique scrapbook to store your summer memories.
Harry Potter Party: July 19, 2:00-3:30 pm. Take part in the Sorting Hat Ceremony & find out if you are a Hufflepuff, Ravenclaw, Slytherin, or Gryffindor. Light refreshments will be served. Dressing in costume is recommended but not required.

Teen Book Club: Starts Sunday, July 8, 2:00 pm. Register by June 30th.
Storytelling Club: Tuesdays, 7:00 pm. Registration required.
Looking for Great Teen Writers, Photographers & Artists: (Grades 6-12) Submit your work & registration form by July 25. For guidelines & information call or ask at the the Youth Services Dept. For more information call 394-6913.

Tarpon Springs Public Library
Youth Chess Club: Monday, July 2 & 16, 3:30 pm. All ages and skill levels welcome.
Teen Crafts: (Ages 12-18) Tuesday, July 31, 2:00 pm. Create gel candles. Registration required.
Knit Club: (Ages 7-18) Saturday, July 21, 2:00 pm. Beginners and advance knitters welcome. Supplies are limited so participants are welcome to bring their own supplies.

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Teen Summer Reading Program

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