PPLC Hosts National Friends of Libraries Week Event

The Pinellas Public Library Cooperative celebrated National Friends of Libraries Week with a countywide Friends event this past October. As part of the program, members of Friends groups from throughout Pinellas County member libraries had an opportunity to network, discuss current issues impacting Florida public libraries, and hear a presentation from a special guest speaker, John Elbare, MBA, CFP, facilitated a discussion on the topic, *Practical Tips for Growing Your Membership Base*.

This event was hosted as part of this annual nationwide recognition of volunteer support for libraries and their critical service to their communities. We wanted to extend our deep appreciation and gratitude for all of the assistance Friends members provide to our public libraries throughout the year!

Pinellas Talking Book Library Honors Its Volunteers

On Tuesday, November 17th, the Pinellas Talking Book Library recognized its valuable volunteers with a luncheon in their honor. After the luncheon, volunteers were presented with tokens of appreciation to recognize their efforts. “We could not operate the library without our volunteers” said the TBL Library Manager Marilyn Stevenson. “They devote hours each week to assist us in providing quality library services to those in our community who have a print disability.” Volunteers received a personal thank you for their hard work and devotion to the organization by Pinellas Public Library Cooperative Board Members Danielle Harkins and Madelyn Liss. All volunteers were recognized for their length of service, which ranged from several months to more than 15 years.

The Pinellas Talking Book Library provides Braille and recorded materials to print disabled residents of Pinellas, Manatee and Sarasota Counties. To learn more about the TBL, or if you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please call us at (727) 441-9958.

PPLC Welcomes New Board Member

**Chris Bulleit**

The Pinellas Public Library Cooperative is pleased to announce its newly appointed Board member, Chris Bulleit. Mr. Bulleit, a resident of Tierra Verde, serves as the Board of County Commissioners At-Large District 3 representative. He is a retired business professional specializing in finance management. Mr. Bulleit was a finance professional at William R. Hough & Co. of St. Petersburg for over 20 years and also served on the Board. Currently, he serves on the Board of Directors for the St. Petersburg Country Club and is also a volunteer for The Hospice of the Florida Suncoast. Mr. Bulleit brings his years of financial management experience to his new position with the PPLC Board. The Cooperative Board and libraries welcome Mr. Bulleit to his new position.

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

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**Clearwater Public Library System**

**Main Library**

**Book Lovers Bistro:** Tuesday, January 5, 12:00 pm.

**Scholar’s Choice:** January 13 & 27, 2:00 pm. Lecture and discussion program. Jan. 13: A Moveable Feast presented by Dr. Phillip Sipiora, University of South Florida. Jan. 27:  *Bartleby, the Scrivener* by Herman Melville, presented by Dr. Maryhelen Harmon.

**Great Books Lecture and Discussion:** Thursday, January 14, 1:30 pm. Monthly book discussion series.

**Circulo de Lectura:** Wednesday, January 27, 1:00 pm. Spanish language book discussion group.

**East Branch**

**Mystery Readers Club:** Tuesday, January 19, 12:00 pm. Book discussion group.

**Dunedin Public Library**

**Contemporary Book Group:** Tuesday, January 5, 7:00 pm. *Bridge of Sand* by Janet Burroway.

**Great Books Discussion Group:** Wednesday, January 6, 2:00 pm.

**Great Decisions Discussion Group:** Thursday, January 21, 2:00 pm. Topic: Energy & Global Economy.

**Contemporary Books Discussion Group:** Tuesday, January 26, 7:00 pm. *The Enchantress of Florence*, by Salman Rushdie.

**East Lake Community Library**

**Book Club:** Wed., Jan. 6, 6:30-7:45 pm. *Beneath a Marble Sky* by John Shors.

**“Lunch Bunch” Book Club:** Wed., January 6, 12:30-2:00 pm. This is the daytime version of our book club for those who cannot attend the evening session. This month’s selection will be *Beneath a Marble Sky* by John Shors.

**Gulf Beaches Public Library**

**Great Books:** Sat., Jan. 9, 12:30-2:30 pm. *Not a Good Girl* by Perri Klass.

**Book Discussion:** Tuesday, January 19, 10:30 am. *The Historian* by Elizabeth Kostova.

**Gulfport Public Library**

**The G & O Book Club:** Saturday, January 16, 1:30 pm. A philosophical discussion group based on the works of early 20th century mystic G. I. Gurdjieff and philosopher P. D. Ouspensky.

**Coffee/Talk:** Thursday, January 21, 10:00 am. Our 15th annual series continues with *Three Cups of Tea* by Greg Mortenson and David Relin. Stop by the Reference Help Desk to pick up a discussion guide and reserve a copy of the book.

**Largo Public Library**

**The Last Word Book Club:** Wednesday, January 6, 6:00 pm. *Naked Came the Manatee* by Dave Barry, Carl Hiaasen, et al.

**Oldsmar Public Library**

**Oldsmar Book Club:** Thursday, January 28, 12:00 pm. *March* by Geraldine Brooks.

**Palm Harbor Public Library**

**PHI’s Book Club:** Monday, January 11, 11:00 am or 7:00 pm. Join us as we discuss *Dreams From My Father* by Barack Obama, a memoir from the son of a black African father and a white American mother who searches for a workable meaning to his life as a black American. Raised by his mother, what he knew of his father was a mystery and after his father was killed in a car accident, how he confronts the bitter truth of his father’s life and at last reconciles his divided inheritance.

**Pinellas Park Public Library**

**Book Discussion:** Thursday, December 17, 2:00 pm. *People of the Book* by Geraldine Brooks.

**Safety Harbor Public Library**

**Book Discussion:** Wednesday, January 13, 6:00 pm. *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society*, by Mary Ann Schaffer and Annie Barrows.

**Book Talk/Signing:** Tuesday, January 26, 7:00 pm. Join is as Tim Dorsey kicks off the tour of his latest release, *Gator A-Go-Go*.

**St. Pete Beach Public Library**

Contact the library for January events.

**St. Petersburg Public Library System**

**Main Library**

**Between Covers Book Club:** Thursday, January 14, 6:30 pm. Call or check on line for latest title, new members are welcome!

**Sci-Fan Book Club:** Tuesday, January 19, 6:30 pm. *Star Wars: Labyrinth of Evil*, by James Luceno.

**Mirror Lake Branch**

**Classics Up Close:** Tuesday, January 26, 2:00 pm. Call or check online for the latest title.

**North Branch**

**Thursday Morning Group:** Thursday, January 7, 11:00 am. Call or check online for latest title.

**Carl G. Jung Society Reading Group:** Saturday, January 9, 10:00 am. Call or check online for latest title.

**South Branch**

**Book Club:** Thurs., January 14, 2:00 pm. Call or check online for latest title.

**Mahogany Book Club:** Saturday, January 16, 10:00 am. Check online or call for latest title.

**West Community Library**

**Book Club:** All are welcome to attend Saturday, January 23. Call or check online for latest title.

**Seminole Community Library**

**Booktalkers:** Wednesday, January 6, 2:00 pm. *Born Free: A Lioness of Two Worlds*. Adamson recounts her adventures as the surrogate mother of an orphaned lion cub named Elsa whom she raised as a welcome member of her human and animal family.

**Great Books Discussion Group:** Wednesday, January 20, 2:00 pm. *Civil Disobedience* by Thoreau.

**Backwards Travelers Historical Fiction Club:** Tuesday, January 19, 2:00 pm. *People of the Book* by Geraldine Brooks. Offered a coveted job to analyze & conserve a priceless Sarjevo Haggadah, Australian rare-book expert Hannah Heath discovers a series of tiny artifacts in the ancient binding that reveal it historically significant origins.

**Tarpon Springs Public Library**

**Adults Who Read Children’s Books Book Club:** Wednesday, January 27, 2:00 pm. Contact the library for this month’s topic.

**Book Discussion Group:** Thursday, January 28, 12:00 pm. Contact the library for this month’s title.
Computer Classes

**Deaf Literacy Center**

**Safety Harbor 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**

**Excel 2003 Basics, Part 1**: Tuesday, January 12, 11:00 am.

**Excel 2003 Basics, Part 2**: Thursday, January 14, 11:00 am.

**Creating Charts in Excel 2003**: Tuesday, January 19, 11:00 am.

**Manage a Complex List in Excel**: Thursday, January 21, 11:00 am.

**PowerPoint 2003 Basics, Part 1**: Tuesday, January 26, 11:00 am.

**PowerPoint 2003 Basics, Part 2**: Thursday, January 28, 11:00 am.

**East Lake Community Library**

**Computer Boot Camp**: Mondays, 6:00-7:00 pm, Wednesdays, 4:00-5:00 pm or 6:00-8:00 pm, & Thursdays, 3:00-6:00 pm. A one-on-one program designed to enhance computer skills with the help of high school students. Registration required.

**Computers 101**: Friday, 4:00-5:00 pm. Just the basics. A one-on-one tutor is here to help you. Registration required.

**Gulf Beaches Public Library**

**E-mail Class**: Wednesday, January 13, 1:00 pm.

**Basic Internet Class**: Tuesday, January 19, 1:00 pm.

**Ask a Computer Specialist**: Wednesday, January 20, 1:00 pm. Tom Mitchell, computer expert. Tom will lead a discussion about current computer trends and problems.

**Facebook**: Monday, January 25, 1:00 pm

**Gulfport Public Library**

**One-on-One Computer Instruction**: By appointment only.

**Suncoast Computer Users Group**: Thursday, January 14, 6:00 pm.

**Largo Public Library**

**You Don’t Know Google! “Google Docs”** Saturday, January 9, 9:30 am.

Did you know that you can write a paper, create a slide show, or edit a spreadsheet using free applications from Google? This class will give you an overview of Google Docs and its uses.

**Oldsmar Public Library**

**Computer Class**: Tuesday, January 12, 2:00 pm. Class is lecture/discussion followed by Q & A.

**Palm Harbor Public Library**

**Computer Basics**: Monday, January 3, 11:00 am & 3:00 pm. Learn the basics of computer hardware, software, the mouse and the keyboard. Registration required and begins at 9:00 am on the day of class.

**Buy & Sell on eBay**: Friday, January 8, 2:00 pm. Learn the basics of using eBay to buy and sell items. Registration required and begins at 12:00 am on the day of class.

**Introduction to Email**: Monday, January 11, 1:00 pm. Learn the basics of using e-mail with Yahoo. Registration required and begins at 9:00 am on the day of class.

**Surfing The Web**: Thursday, January 14, 2:00 pm. Learn to use the internet, addresses and links. Registration required and begins at 9:00 am on the day of class.

**eBooks & Downloadable Audio Books**: Friday, January 29, 3:00 pm. This is a new! hour class is designed to help you access these free services that are available through our database page at www.palmharborlibrary.org. Registration required and begins at 9:00 am on the day of class.

**Library closings for the month of January are as follows:**

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**Pinellas Park Public Library**

**Adult Beginner Classes**: Call for class schedule.

**Special Session Computer Class**: Wednesday, January 13, 7:00 pm. For more information visit www.marcomp.com/sked.htm.

**Safety Harbor Public Library**

**One-on-One Computer Training**: Call to schedule a 45 minute one-on-one computer lesson with a librarian.

**Intergenerational Computer Assistance**: High school students are available to train and tutor seniors and adults of any age on Sunday afternoons at 3:30 or 4:15 pm. Call for appointment.

**Introduction to the Internet**: Monday, January 11, 2:00 pm. (Prerequisite: Students must be able to successfully navigate their computer to attend.) Registration required.

**Making Movies using Microsoft Movie Maker**: Friday, January 15 & 22. Join us for a two part series. Registration required.

**Open a Yahoo Email Account**: Monday, January 25, 2:00 pm. (Prerequisite: Students must be able to successfully navigate their computer to attend.) Registration required.

Please visit our website or call the reference desk for a complete listing of computer classes.

**St. Pete Beach Public Library**

Contact the library for January events.

**St. Petersburg Public Library System**

**Johnson Branch**

**One-on-One Computer Training**: Tuesdays, 10:00 am. Registration required.

**North Branch**

**One-on-One Computer Training**: Mondays, 3:00 pm, Tuesdays, 6:30 pm, Wednesdays, 9:00 am & 10:00 am, & Thursdays, 6:30 pm.

**South Branch**

**Basic Internet and E-mail**: Schedule varies, please call for dates, times and make a reservation.

**One-on-One Computer Training**: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 11:00 pm. Call to register.

**West Community Library**

**Supervised Lab Time**: Fridays, 1:30-3:30 pm. Come get help with all your computer issues, beginners and advanced users welcome.

**Tarpon Springs Public Library**

**Computer Basics**: Thursday, January 7, 1:00 pm. Registration required.

**Internet Basics**: Wednesday, January 13, 3:00 pm. Registration required.

**Introduction to Microsoft Word**: Thursday, January 21, 1:00 pm. Registration required.
Clearwater Public Library System

Main Library
 Films on the Bluff: Tuesday, January 12, 2:00 pm. Join us for an art house or foreign film monthly.

Beach Branch
 Video Gaming @ Your Library for Adults: Thursdays, 2:00 pm. Play the library Wii with your friends.

Writers’ Support Group: Wednesdays, January 6 & 20, 1:00 pm. A workshop for writers and would be writers. Join us for help and encouragement.

Films on the Beach: Monday, January 11, 2:00 pm. Join us, and bring your friends to the Beach Library and Recreation Center for a film.

Country Club Branch
 Film Series @ Countryside Library: Wednesdays, 2:00 pm. Join us for a film.

Deaf Literacy Center
 Palm Harbor Library
 Individual Tutoring for the Deaf: Tuesdays, 2:00-4:00 pm. Call for appointment.
 Adult Beginners Sign Language: (8-week session) Tuesdays, January 12-May 11, 6:00 pm. Basic sign language vocabulary, daily phrases and facts about the Deaf community and culture.
 Adult Intermediate Sign Language: (8-week session) Tuesdays, January 12-May 11, 7:00 pm. Daily phrases and facts about the Deaf community and culture.

Pinellas Park Public Library
 Individual Tutoring for the Deaf: Thursdays, 2:00-4:00 pm. Call for appointment.
 Adult Beginners Sign Language: (15-week course) Thursdays, January 28-May 13, 6:00-7:00 pm. Basic sign language vocabulary, daily phrases and facts about the Deaf community and culture.

Safety Harbor Public Library
 Deaf Family Reading Night at Your Library: Friday January 29, 6:30 pm. “Celebrate Literacy Week, Florida.” Event will include stories told in American Sign Language, crafts, guest storytellers, book giveaways, and lots of fun for the whole family!
 Individual Tutoring for the Deaf: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, call for appointment.
 Basic Deaf Literacy: Includes reading, writing and computer skills. Call for appointment.
 Adult Beginners Sign Language: (15-week session) Mondays, January 25-May 17, 6:00 pm. Basic sign language vocabulary, daily phrases and facts about the Deaf community and culture.

St. Petersburg Library South Branch
 Individual Tutoring for the Deaf: Tuesdays, 4:00-5:00 pm. Call for appointment.
 Adult Beginners Sign Language: (8-week session) Tuesdays, January 26-March 2, 6:00 pm. Conversational sign language, stories, songs, and skits.
 Adult Intermediate Sign Language: (8-week session) Tuesdays, January 26-March 2, 7:00 pm Basic sign language vocabulary, daily phrases and facts about the Deaf community and culture.

Dunedin Public Library
 Tuesdays at Two Film Program: 2:00 pm. January 5: Herb & Dorothy; January 12: The Proposal; January 19: My Sister’s Keeper; January 26: Julie & Julia.
 Quilting With Melba Rilo: Saturday, January 9, 10:00 am-2:00 pm. Sign up and get your supply list at the Adult Reference Desk. Bring a sack lunch. A $10 refundable deposit is required to hold your spot in the workshop.
 Writers’ Workshop with Dianne Helm: Sat., January 16, 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Dianne Helm, owner of Helm Publishing, will discuss “How to Develop a Story Idea.” The People of Panama: Wednesday, January 20, 7:00 pm. Gerry De Tore of the Panama Canal Museum will discuss the people of Panama, in conjunction with the City of Dunedin’s Diversity Week.
 Writers’ Workshop with Dianne Helm: Saturday, January 23, 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Dianne Helm, owner of Helm Publishing, will discuss “ABC Building Blocks of Writing Skills.”
 Writers’ Workshop with Dianne Helm: Saturday, January 30, 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Dianne Helm, owner of Helm Publishing, will discuss “Queries, Submissions and Marketing.”

Genealogy Assistance: Thursdays, 1:00-4:00 pm. Members of The Caladesi Chapter of the DAR are here to assist you.
 Dunedin Writers’ Group: Fridays, 10:00 am. Open to all serious writers, the Dunedin Writers’ Group focuses on novels, short stories, articles, children’s books, synopsis for agents, presentation letters, plays, and scripts.

Literacy Program: The Literacy Council of Upper Pinellas, located at the Dunedin Public Library, is looking for tutors. Workshops are provided to train individuals to tutor Literacy and English as a Second Language. For additional information please call the Literacy Office.

Free Medicare Counseling with S.H.I.N.E.: Wednesdays. The S.H.I.N.E. agency of the Florida Department of Elder Affairs offers free unbiased counseling on Medicare and other health-related issues. Call for appointment.

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
 Writer’s Critique Group: Monday, January 11 & 25, 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.

Salon: Wednesday, January 13, 6:30 pm. You’ve heard the buzz, now come and join us! Get here early for a seat at our new current events round-table discussion.

Coffee Filter Flowers: (All ages) Saturday, January 16, 1:00 pm. Join us for this popular class and make your favorite flowers come to life using coffee filters and watercolor paints. Registration required.

Gulf Beaches Public Library

Author Talk-Tim Dorsey’s 2010 Gator-A-Go-Go Tour: Wednesday, January 27, 4:00 pm. Tim Dorsey will talk about his new book, Gator-A-Go-Go, about his alter ego, Serge A. Storms, sign books and answer questions. He will also judge a Serge A. Storms Tacky Tropical Shirt Contest and award an autographed copy of his latest book. Water, coffee and brownies will be served.

International Film Movement: Tuesday, January 5, 4:00 pm. For My Father. A young Palestinian must wait a weekend in Tel Aviv before completing his suicide bombing mission. During his wait, he gets to know the people he was planning to kill, including the beautiful young Keren.

Travel Film: Wednesday, January 6, 2:00 pm. Walking the Bible.
 Investment Club: Thursdays, 2:30 pm. Join a group of experienced investors in an exchange of ideas about the current market and investment opportunities.

Scrabble: Fridays, 1:30-4:00 pm. Exercise the circuitry of your gray matter.

Writers’ Group: Wednesdays, 10:00 am. We welcome all writers in an exchange of ideas and fellowship.

Stretching Class: A six weeks exercise class begins Monday, January 25 at 10:30 am. Registration required.

World of Humor Film Series: Tuesday, January 26, 5:30 pm. Hula Girls. Japanese girls from a small mining town take hula lessons to bring tourists to save their struggling village.

Gulfport Public Library
 Gulfport Creative Short Story Writers: Wednesdays, 10:00 am.
 Testing for 2010 Census Jobs: Tuesdays, 3:00-6:00 pm. Through February. Go online at www.2010censusjobs.gov or call toll-free 1-866-861-2010 for information.

Scrapbookers Club for Teens & Adults: Saturday, January 9, 1:00 pm. Bring your pictures, books and questions, and prepare to have a great time! Some supplies available, but you furnish your own 12x12 scrapbook album.
Legal Puzzles Study Group: Monday, January 11, 1:30 pm. Presented by local chapter of Brandeis University Women.

Coffee/Talk Movie: Thursday, January 21, 1:30 pm. Cut From Different Cloth: Burqas and Beliefs. Documentary film about the struggle for equal rights for Afghan women.

Genealogy Discussion Group: Saturday, January 23, 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.

Short Story Study Group: Monday, January 25, 1:10 pm. Presented by local chapter of Brandeis University Women.

Largo Public Library

ESL Tutor Training: Saturday, January 2 & Saturday, January 9, 10:00 am-4:00 pm. No Fail Resolutions: Wednesday, January 6, 6:30 pm. Come and learn, or share, some creative ways to lessen your wear and tear on our planet. Learn some foolproof ways to become a successful Eco Warrior and save some money as well.


Family Tree Maker User Group: Saturday, January 2, 10:00 am. Call (727) 595-4521 or email Bbryan84@tampabay.rr.com to register.

English as a Second Language Conversation Hour: Monday, January 4, 11, & 25, 6:30 pm. This English conversation group is for adults who speak English as a Second Language (ESL). We focus on practical, everyday topics: making phone calls, going to job interviews, asking for directions, stating personal opinions and more. If you are a non-native English speaker who wants to have fun and meet people from all over the world while practicing your spoken English, then this is the place for you.

Getting Started in Genealogy: Monday, January 4, 6:00 pm. Call (727) 595-4521 or email Bbryan84@tampabay.rr.com to register.

Census Timelines: Tuesday, January 5, 6:00 pm. Call (727) 595-4521 or email Bbryan84@tampabay.rr.com to register.

Descendant Research: Wednesday, January 6, 10:00 am. Call (727) 595-4521 or email Bbryan84@tampabay.rr.com to register.

Newspapers in Genealogy: Saturday, January 9, 10:00 am. Call (727) 595-4521 or email Bbryan84@tampabay.rr.com to register.

Poets Live! Monday, January 11, 6:30 pm. Present your poetry or just listen to the poetry of others.

Digital Cameras in Genealogy: Tuesday, January 12, 6:00 pm. Call (727) 595-4521 or email Bbryan84@tampabay.rr.com to register.

Bookalking with Iris: Wednesday, January 13, 12:00 pm.

SuperLab @ Largo Public Library: Wednesday, January 13 & 27, 3:00 pm. The SuperLab provides help with topics including: job-related searches, resume writing and formatting, online applications, setting up e-mail accounts, basic computing problems, and internet searches. If you need help with a resume, please bring all of the information necessary to write a resume and fill out an application, such as job history, dates of employment and contact information. Bring your own electronic storage devices to save your work..

I Have A Dream: Friday, January 15, 2:00 pm. On August 28, 1963, Martin Luther King, Jr. stood at the door of the Lincoln Memorial and delivered a speech that changed the world. Please join us to watch “I Have A Dream”, a speech that is widely considered to be the high point of the Civil Rights Movement.

Family History Writers Workshop: Tuesday, January 19, 6:00 pm. Call (727) 595-4521 or email Bbryan84@tampabay.rr.com to register.

Genealogy Numbering Systems and How to Use Them: Thursday, January 21, 10:00 am. Call (727) 595-4521 or email Bbryan84@tampabay.rr.com to register.

RootsMagic User Group: Saturday, January 23, 10:00 am. Call (727) 595-4521 or email Bbryan84@tampabay.rr.com to register.

Internet Genealogy Site Exploration Workshop: Thursday, January 28, 10:00 am. Bring your favorite sites to share with others. Perhaps you have a “brickwall” problem that can be solved. Call (727) 595-4521 or email Bbryan84@tampabay.rr.com to register.

Painless Publishing for Genealogy: Monday, January 25, 6:00 pm. Call (727) 595-4521 or email Bbryan84@tampabay.rr.com to register.

Oldsmar Public Library

Small Business Counseling: Tuesday, January 5 & 19, 10:00 am-12:00 pm or 1:00-3:00 pm. Register for a free 1 hour one-on-one session with a business counselor from Pinellas County Chapter 115 of SCORE.

Oldsmar Historical Society: Saturday, January 9, 10:00 am. General meeting with the focus on preserving Oldsmar History. New members welcome.

Friends of the Oldsmar Library-General Meeting: Thursday, January 21, 12:00 pm. New members welcome.

Friends of the Oldsmar Library Rummage Sale: Saturday, January 30, 9:00-3:00 pm. January 25 deadline for vendor registration. Please call for more information.

Palm Harbor Public Library

Palm Harbor Writers’ Group: Tuesdays, January 5 & 19, 6:30-8:00 pm. This group meets at the Palm Harbor Community Center located at 1500 16th Street in Palm Harbor. A reading and discussion group for local writers. Comments and suggestions are welcomed. Email the group at phwriters@verizon.net or call (727) 786-3133.

Master Gardeners Plant Clinic: Wednesdays, 10:00 am-2:00 pm. Bring your gardening and landscaping questions to be answered as well as plant samples to the Plant Clinic for the experts to look at.

Socrates Café: Wednesday, January 6, 6:00-7:45 pm & Thursday, January 21, 1:00-2:45 pm. You don’t need to know philosophy to join this discussion group. If you want to share you opinion and listen to the opinions of others in a respectful, friendly setting, than you will enjoy this group.

Obstructive Sleep Apnea: Wednesday, January 6, 6:00 pm. Do you or someone you know snore? Do you have high blood pressure or diabetes? Do you find yourself to be excessively sleepy during the day? You could be at risk for a serious medical condition known as obstructive sleep apnea (OSA). To learn more, please join us for a free presentation on OSA, its symptoms and associated health risks.

Chess Club: Thursdays, 10:30 am-12:30 pm & 5:30-7:30 pm. Join Jim and others for chess, chessboards and light refreshments will be provided. All ages and skill levels are welcomed.

The Art Of Coalescing Who You Are With What You Do-An Inspired Action Career Guide: Thursday, January 7, 6:30 pm. Join Quintessence Living Creations for a free seminar to help develop a more satisfying life and career. You’ll learn about personal expression in its purest and most purposeful way.

A Word to the Wise-Health and Wellness Issues: Tuesday, January 26, 6:00 pm & Wednesday, January 27, 12:00 pm. A monthly health program presented by Dr. Amar Patel, a specialist in chiropractic medicine. Topics include fibromyalgia, stress management, arthritis and other pertinent health issues.

Suncoast Genealogy Society Training: Saturday, January 9, 6, 12:30 & 30, 2:00 pm. Genealogist Howard Smith conducts genealogy training.

Master Gardeners-Propagation: Wednesday, January 13, 2:00 & 6:15 pm. A popular, informative program for Florida gardeners. Please call the Pinellas County Extension at (727) 582-2673 to reserve a seat.

Appetite For Art: Thursday, January 14, 12:00 pm. Hosted by the Leepa-Rattner Museum Of Art, the Plein Aire Coastal Artists Of Indian Rocks Beach will present their art form.

Armchair Travelers Series-Italy: Thursday, January 14, 2:00 pm. Join experienced world travelers and local travel agents as they share exotic locales and popular tourist destinations.

What’s New In Dentistry: Thursday, January 14 & Wednesday, January 27, 6:00 pm. Learn about the latest advances in dentistry; hosted by Dr. James Pitts, DMD.

Clam Bayou Jazz Band Concert: Friday, January 15, 3:00 pm. For your listening enjoyment, join us for some toe-tapping, finger snapping Dixieland music, this month’s selection is “Music Of The Big Bands”.

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MISSION STATEMENT
PPLC provides leadership, resources and opportunities to enhance the quality, value, and availability of library services to members.

VISION STATEMENT
PPLC will lead the way for world-class library services to its members.

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 five years.
• Cards issued to non-residents are valid for one year.
• Register for a card at any Cooperative member library.
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Phone: (727) 724-1525 x232
Fax: (727) 724-1533
TDD: (727) 724-1529
http://www.plpc.us/tbr
Mon - Fri 9am - 4:30pm

## Talking Book Library
1330 Cleveland Street
Clearwater, FL 33755-5103
Phone: (727) 724-1525 x232
Fax: (727) 724-1533
TDD: (727) 724-1529
http://www.plpc.us/tbr
Mon - Fri 9:30am - 4pm

## Clearwater System
Clearwater System
Main Library & Offices
100 N. Osceola Avenue
Clearwater, FL 33755
Phone: 562-4970
http://www.plpc.us/cpl
Mon - Thu 10am - 7pm
Fri 12pm - 5pm
Sat-Sun 12pm - 5pm

## Beach Branch
69 Bay Esplanade
Clearwater, FL 33767
Phone: 562-4970
Sat & Sun Closed
Mon - Fri 1pm - 5pm

## Countryside Branch
2741 State Road 580
Clearwater, FL 33761
Phone: 562-4970
Mon - Thu 10am - 7pm
Fri Closed
Sat - Sun 12pm - 5pm

## East Branch
2251 Drew Street
Clearwater, FL 33765
Phone: 562-4970
Sun Closed
Mon - Thu 10am - 7pm
Fri - Sat 12pm - 5pm

## North Greenwood Branch
905 N. Martin Luther King, Jr. Ave.
Clearwater, FL 33755
Phone: 562-4970
Sat - Sun Closed
Mon - Thur 2pm - 6pm
Fri 1pm - 5pm

## Dunedin Library
223 Douglas Avenue
Dunedin, FL 34698
Phone: 298-3080
http://www.dunedin.gov
Mon - Wed 9:30am - 8pm
Thu - Fri 9:30am - 6pm
Sat 9:30am - 5pm
Sun 1pm - 5pm

## Friends Branch
1920 Pinehurst
Dunedin, FL 34698
Phone: 812-4548
Mon - Tues 2pm - 6pm
Wed 5pm - 7pm
Thur 2pm - 6pm

## East Lake Community Library
4125 East Lake Road
Palm Harbor, FL 34685
Phone: 773-2665
http://www.eastlakelibrary.org
Mon - Wed 10am - 8pm
Thu - Fri 10am - 6pm
Sat 10am - 4pm

## Gulf Beaches Library
200 Municipal Drive
Madeira Beach, FL 33708
Phone: 391-2828
http://www.gulfbchlib.org
Mon, Wed - Fri 10am - 6pm
Tue 10am - 8pm
Sat 10am - 5pm

## Gulfport Library
5501 28th Avenue South
Gulfport, FL 33707
Phone: 893-1074
Reference: 893-1073
http://www.mygulfport.us/gpl
Mon - Fri 10am - 7pm
Saturday 10am - 4pm

## Largo Library
120 Central Park Drive
Largo, FL 33771
Phone: 587-6715
Reference: 587-6748
TDD: 587-6778
http://www.largolibrary.com
Mon - Wed 9am - 8pm
Thu - Fri 9am - 6pm
Sat 9am - 5pm
Sun 1pm - 5pm

## St. Pete Beach Library
365 73rd Avenue
St. Pete Beach, FL 33706
Phone: 363-9238
http://www.spblibrary.org
Sun & Mon Closed
Tues - Wed 10am - 8pm
Thu - Fri 10am - 6pm
Sat 10am - 5pm

## St. Petersburg System
Main Library
3745 Ninth Avenue North
St. Petersburg, FL 33713
Phone: 893-7724
Reference: 893-7928
http://www.spclibrary.org
Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat 9am - 6pm
Tues 9am - 8pm
Sun 10am - 6pm

## St. Petersburg System
Administrative Offices
280 5th Street North
St. Petersburg, FL 33701
Phone: 893-7318

## Childs Park Branch
691 43rd Street South
St. Petersburg, FL 33711
Phone: 893-7714
Mon & Thu 10am - 7pm
Tues, Wed, Fri 10am - 5:30pm
Sat 10am - 2pm

## James Weldon Johnson Branch
1059 18th Avenue South
St. Petersburg, FL 33705
Phone: 893-7113
Mon & Wed 9am - 7pm
Tues, Wed - Sat 9am - 6pm

## Mirror Lake Branch
280 5th Street North
St. Petersburg, FL 33701
Phone: 893-7268
Mon & Wed 9am - 7pm
Tues - Sat 9am - 6pm

## North Branch
861 70th Avenue North
St. Petersburg, FL 33702
Phone: 893-7214
Tues & Thu 9am - 8pm
Mon, Wed - Fri 9am - 6pm

## South Branch
2300 Roy Hanna Drive S.
St. Petersburg, FL 33712
Phone: 893-7244
Tues & Thu 9am - 8pm
Mon, Wed - Fri 9am - 6pm

## Gulfport
5501 28th Avenue South
Gulfport, FL 33707
Phone: 893-1074
Reference: 893-1073
http://www.mygulfport.us/gpl
Mon - Fri 10am - 7pm
Saturday 10am - 4pm

## Tarpon Springs Library
138 E. Lemon Street
Tarpon Springs, FL 34689
Phone: 943-4922
http://tarponspringslibrary.org
Mon - Wed 10am - 9pm
Thur - Fri 10am - 6pm
Sat 10am - 5pm
Clearwater Public Library System

Beach Branch

**Wii Video Gaming for Teens:** Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays, 3:00 pm. Play the library Wii with your friends.

**CountrySide Branch**

**Storytelling Workshop:** (Grades 6-12) Saturday, January 23, 1:00 pm. A workshop for students interested in the art of storytelling.

Dunedin Public Library

**Dunedin Youth Volunteers:** Monday, January 11, 6:30 pm. Our teen volunteer group meets once a month to plan, assist and create programs for the youth of the community. Registration required and begins two weeks prior to the program.

“**Salsa, Anyone?**”: (Ages 12 - 18) Tuesday, January 19, 6:00 – 7:00 pm. Celebrate Diversity Week @ the Dunedin Library. Join Ruth Eckerd Artist on the Road, Blue Feliu, for some lessons on salsa dancing. Registration required and begins two weeks prior to the program.

East Lake Community Library

**Teen Tutors:** Wednesdays & Fridays, 3:00-6:00 pm. Free assistance with math, English, and reading! Registration required.

**Teen Library Council:** Mondays, 7:30 pm. Teens meet to plan programs. New members welcome!

**Teen Night:** Teens meet on the third Thursday of the month from 6:30-8:30. Come prepared for a lively current events round-table discussion.

Gulfport Public Library

**Scrapbookers Club for Teens & Adults:** Saturday, January 9, 1:00 pm. Bring your pictures, books and questions, and prepare to have a great time! Some supplies available, but you furnish your own 12x12 scrapbook album.

Largo Public Library

**Teen Library Council:** (Ages 14-18) Tuesday, January 5, 5:00 pm. Need volunteer hours? Join the Teen Library Council to participate in teen programming and other library activities. Fill out an application in the Teen Room.

**Wii Encounter:** (Ages 13-18) Thursdays, 2:00 pm. Put your Wii skills to the test. Line up with your friends for a Wii encounter for a little fun after school.

**Anime Cafe:** (Ages 13-18) Tuesday, January 12, 5:00 pm. Make a craft project, then relax with some Asian snacks and watch anime episodes.

**Tosho-Con Event Planning:** (Ages 13-18) Tuesday, January 19, 5:00 pm. Be a volunteer participant in the coolest teen event in the county. Register to be a part of the planning and running of Tosho-Con, Largo Public Library’s annual teen anime convention.

**Written Out-Teen Poetry Club:** (Ages 13-18) Tuesday, January 26, 5:00 pm. Share your poems and create new ones. Join library staff for writing workshops, crafts, and snacks.

**Japanese New Year:** (Ages 13-18) Friday, January 8, 2:00 pm. Begin the new year with a few new traditions. Learn unique customs, games, crafts, and how to decorate a kadomatsu.

Oldsmar Public Library

**Teen Advisory Board Meeting:** Tuesday, January 19, 6:30 pm. Join us to help plan teen programs for the library.

Palm Harbor Public Library

**College Entrance and Admissions 101:** (Grades 9-12 & parents) Thursday, January 21, 6:00 pm. This free program presented by St. Petersburg College is designed for high schoolers and their parents. An admissions advisor will focus on the college entrance process, financial aid tips and a Q&A session. Registration for this program begins January 2.

Palm Harbor Library Youth Advisory Board: (Ages 13-18) Thursdays, 5:00 pm. The Youth Advisory Board strives to serve the Palm Harbor Library and community by planning relevant programs for the youth of Palm Harbor, completing volunteer projects and choosing materials for the young adult library collection. Membership is open to all teens that complete an application. Attendance at weekly meetings and participation in various service activities and programs is expected. Registration required.

Safety Harbor Public Library

**Teen Advisory Board:** Sunday, January 3, 3:00-4:00 pm. Make your library the best it can be! Meet with fellow teens to plan events and assist in programs.

**College Conqueror’s Workshop:** Saturday, January 23, 2:00-4:30 pm. This workshop will help high school students and college freshman with foundations to succeed in college. It walks students through the many facets of college life, what to expect while there, and how to overcome obstacles. Presented by Chantal Korkis, author of The College Conqueror’s Handbook. Registration required.

**Mad Hatter Party:** Thursday, January 28, 6:00-7:45 pm. Food, fun and games.

St. Pete Beach Public Library

Contact the library for January events.

St. Petersburg Public Library System

Main Library

**Twee Thing:** (Age 9-12) Monday, January 4, 4:30 pm. Theater, games books & crafts - come see what fun is in store for you!

**Teen Text Book Discussion:** (Ages 13-19) Tuesday, January 5, 5:30 pm, Call for information.

Knights of the Square Table: (All ages) Monday, January 11, 3:30-5:30 pm.

West Community Library

**Young Adult Library Council:** (Ages 15-21) Tuesday, January 19, 1:30 pm. Young adult group that plans library programs for teens.

**Teen Night:** (Ages 13-19) One Thursday a month 6:30 pm. Call Kitt for more information.

New Online Resource Available: Career Library offers a comprehensive information resource for career and college research. Five user-friendly components help user match their interest to occupations, education prospects and more. Try it Today!

Seminole Community Library

**Library Youth Advisory Board:** (Grades 6-12) Mondays, January 4, 11, & 25, 7:00 pm. Members get to meet new people, help choose materials for the YA collection, earn volunteers credits etc. Snacks are served at every meeting. Call the Youth Services Department for more information and to sign up at 394-6913 or use the library’s teen page: http://www.spcollege.edu/sci/teens/index.htm.

**Two Towers Chess Club:** (All ages) Mondays, January 11 & 25, 3:00-5:00 pm. Club for players of all levels of play. Chess Coach Craig Van Tilbury will be on hand to teach, encourage and critique. Boards & pieces will be provided or bring your own.

Tarpon Springs Public Library

**Teen Crafts:** (Ages 10-18) Saturday, January 23, 2:00 pm. Make a mosaic picture frame and earring keeper. Registration required.

**Knit Club:** (Ages 7-18) Saturday, January 16, 2:00 pm. Learn how to knit and share your projects.
Palm Harbor Public Library, Continued

An Afternoon of Arias: Saturday, January 16, 2:00 pm. For your listening pleasure, arias from the world’s greatest operas and the stories behind them. Presented by local diva, Julia Coulmas! Do not miss this wonderful performance.

“Plan C” Presents “Why Go Native?” Wednesday, January 20, 6:30 pm. Join this local non-profit, ecological landscaping design organization for family friendly lectures.

Money Matters-Annuitities: Thursday, January 21, 10:00 am. This a monthly series of free seminars provided by LPL Financial Services. Registration required.

Everything You Wanted To Know About Prostate Cancer: Friday, January 22, 12:00 pm. Dr. Jerrold Sharkey will be discussing everything you need to know about prostate cancer, from diagnosis to treatment options.

The Comedy Time Tunnel: Saturday, January 23, 2:00 pm. A wonderful journey starting with the first great American Comedian in the City of Boston 1787 and taking the listener on an enchanting comedy ride through the 1800’s: vaudeville, stand up, theater and onto the early days of radio and the beginning of television comedy!

Suncoast Genealogical Society General Meeting: Monday, January 25, 1:30 pm. Discussions related to research techniques and tools as well as special presentations on various subjects related to genealogy.

Suncoast Genealogical Society Workshop: Monday, January 25, 6:45 pm. Members meet for their monthly workshop.

Showcase Repertory Theater: Thursday, January 28, 7:00 pm & Saturday, January 30, 2:00 pm. The Showcase Repertory Theater, a division of the Showcase Arts Foundation will perform the play Rabbit Hole by David Lindsay-Abaire. This 2007 Pulitzer Prize Winner is a story of loss, heartbeat and forgiveness told through daily moments and emotional hurdles. Requested donation: $10.00.

Genealogy Assistance: The Suncoast Genealogy Society offers help in the Reference Department Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 1:00-4:00 pm.

Safety Harbor Public Library

Anti-aging and Slimming Secrets-New Pharmacological Advances: Thursday, January 7, 6:30 pm. An informational presentation by Pamela Seefeld, R.Ph, Clinical Pharmacist and Andrea Irick, Certified Personal Trainer. Learn about new anti-oxidant data, weight loss and vitamin therapies, foods that age your skin faster, new techniques in weight management and more!

SCORE Small Business Counseling: Tuesday, January 12 & 26, 10:00 am-2:00 pm. Call for appointment.

Heart & Soul Cinema: Sunday, Jan. 17, 1:30 pm. Join us for the film Groundhog Day, along with an introduction and lively discussion after the movie.

Story Circle Network-Writers’ Group: Wednesday, January 20, 6:15 pm. Join fellow writers for writing assistance, sharing, ideas, and guidance.

Friends of the Library Book Sale: Saturday, January 16, 9:00 am-3:00 pm. Bargains galore. Most items are $1.00.

Get Crafty @ Your Library-Learn to Crochet: Wednesday, January 20, 2:30 pm. Learn to make a chain and start a simple project. Some supplies available. Registration required.

College Conquerors’ Workshop: Saturday, January 23, 2:00-4:30 pm. This workshop will help high school students and college freshman with foundations to succeed in college. It walks students through the many facets of college life, what to expect while there, and how to overcome obstacles. Presented by Chantal Korkis, author of The College Conqueror’s Handbook. Registration required.

St. Pete Beach Public Library

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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.

Game Time at the Library: Saturday, January 16, 3:30-5:00 pm. Board games, puzzles for all ages, feel free to bring in your favorite game to share with others. Light refreshments served.

South Branch

Reading Buddies: Help a child improve in reading. Volunteer to be a Reading Buddy.

West Community Library

Genealogy: Sat., January 9, 10:00 am. Come and get unstuck in your genealogy work.

St Petersburg Writers’ Club: Thursday, January 7 & 21, 6:30 pm. Anyone interested in writing is invited to attend.

Seminole Community Library


SPC Toastmasters: Tuesdays, 6:15 pm.

Hidden Stitches: Monday, January 11, 6:00 pm.

Fibromyalgia Support: Saturday, January 9, 11:00 am.

Sean Scott Seminar: Monday, January 4, 2:00 pm.

Seminole Civic Club: Thursday, January 7, 6:30 pm.

Christians for Biblical Equality-Pinellas: Thursday, January 21, 6:00 pm.

Seminole Community Library’s 50th Anniversary Kickoff Celebration: Saturday, January 9, 11:00 am.

The Founders’ Constitution: Thursday, January 21, 7:00 pm. WE THE PEOPLE—The Right of Revolution. Was the Constitution the legal consummation of the Revolution, or was its repudiation? Was adopting the Constitution itself a revolutionary act?

Sunday Matinée: Sunday, January 10, 3:00 pm. "Chris Morgan and the Fellas." Traditional Irish music.

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.

Writers’ Group: Fridays, 10:00 am. Bring your manuscript to read and have critiqued. Call (727) 267-5612 for more information.

Digital Photography and Editing Seminar: Thursday, January 14, 3:00 pm. Learn how to take and edit digital photos with instructor Bill Smith. Registration requested.

Fencing Demonstration and Information Seminar: Wednesday, January 20, 7:00 pm. Fencing is a sport for any age and ability. Enjoy the benefits of working out, while learning a new fast moving sport. All skill levels are welcome.

Fiction into Film Series: Thursday, January 21, 2:00 pm. A discussion of short stories followed by a free showing of their film versions led by Charles Shaffert. This week’s short story and film is Billy Budd by Herman Melville. Registration required.

Ten Steps to Starting Your Own Business: Tuesday, January 26, 7:00-9:00 pm. Free seminar presented by the Pinellas County Chapter of SCORE. Registration required.

Bay Knit Wits: Wednesday, January 27, 6:00 pm. Knitting and crochet group.

Outside the Box Speaker Series: Wednesday, January 27, 7:00 pm. Featuring author Richard Ide and his book, Three Aces.

Fiction into Film Series: Thursday, January 28, 2:00 pm. A discussion of short stories followed by a free showing of their film versions led by Charles Shaffert. This week’s short story is Babylon Revisited by F. Scott Fitzgerald. Registration required.
**Clearwater Public Library System**

**Main Library**

**Little Ones Music & Stories:** (12-36 mos) Tuesdays, January 5 & 19, 10:30 am. A program for toddlers, filled with fun music and exciting stories.

**Bright Minds Preschool Story Time:** (Ages 3-6) Wednesdays, 10:30 am. Age appropriate literacy activities including stories, songs, and a craft.

**Game On!** Wednesdays, 3:00 pm. Play video games in the teen room.

**Jump, Jive & Jam!** (Ages 3-6) Tuesdays, January 12 & 26, 10:30 am. A specialized dance-based fitness class.

**Countryside Branch**

**Family Story Time:** Thursdays, 10:00 am. Bring your toddlers and preschoolers to enjoy stories and songs.

**Homework Help:** Wednesdays, January 13, 20 & 27, 3:00 pm.

**Ben Franklin:** Wednesdays, January 13, 4:00 pm. A visit from Ben Franklin geared for elementary school children but a learning experience for all ages.

**East Branch**

**Family Story Time:** (18 mos & up) Thursdays, 11:00 am. Stories, fingerplays, songs, crafts, and short movies.

**Deaf Literacy Center**

**Palm Harbor Public Library**

**Infant/Toddler Sign Language:** (Ages 3 & under) Tuesdays, January 12-February 16, 10:30 am. Learn how to include signs naturally while interacting with your child through daily routines, playtime, story time and music. Registration required. (6-week session)

**Children's Sign Language:** (Ages 6-12) Tuesdays January 12-March 2, 4:30 pm. Sign language vocabulary, stories, songs and activities. Registration required. (8-week course)

**Pinellas Park Public Library**

**Children's Sign Language:** (Ages 5-12) Thursdays, January 28-March 4, 3:30 pm. Sign language vocabulary, stories and crafts or activities for children. (8-week session)

**Clearwater Public Library**

**Deaf Family Reading Night at your Library:** Tuesdays, January 5, 10:30 am. Join us for a special story time at the Community Center. Theme this month is “Happy New Year”.

**Dali @ Dunedin:** (All ages) Through a Target Grant, the Dunedin Public Library will host a traveling Dali exhibit featuring three murals in our main Library. The Exhibit will be up Monday, January 11 through Friday, February 5. Be on the lookout for upcoming Dali programs at the Dunedin Library.

**Lego Club 2010:** (Ages 5 & up) Wednesday, January 6, 4:00-5:00 pm. Let your creativity soar! Join us the first Wednesday of the month for an afternoon of creativity.

**Special Story Time-Snowballs:** (Ages 5 & under) Friday, January 15, 10:30 am. We’ll hear stories about snow, do a craft and sing some funny snowball songs. Registration required and begins 2 weeks prior to program.

**Sunday Fun Days:** (All ages) Sunday, January 10, 1:00-4:30 pm. Stop in the Youth Department for a special make & take craft. This month’s theme is “Winter Fun!”

**Quilting with Melba Rilott – Workshop I:** (Ages 6-8) Saturday, January 23, 10:00-12:00 pm. Join Quilter, Melba Rilott, for a session on quilting. Registration required and begins 2 weeks prior to program.

**Quilting with Melba Rilott – Workshop II:** (Ages 9-12) Saturday, January 23, 1:00-3:00 pm. Join Quilter, Melba Rilott, for a session on quilting. Registration required and begins 2 weeks prior to program.

**East Lake Community Library**

**Lego Club:** (All ages) Thursdays, 4:00 pm. Join your friends and make new creations at this popular new offering!

**Story Time Puppet Show and Craft:** (All ages) Mondays, 7:00 pm. Our Teen Library Council produces and stars in amusing puppet shows every week.

**Toddler Story Time:** (3 yrs & under) Tuesdays, 10:15 am. Children enjoy stories and songs while sitting with their favorite grown-up.

**Preschool Story Time:** (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays, 11:00 am. Come join Miss Claudia for a story and a craft.

**Battle of the Books:** (Grades 3-8) Saturdays, 10:00 am. Gear up for the Battle of the Books! Come and read a Sunshine State Book with a tutor. Registration required.

**Teen Tutors:** Wednesdays & Fridays, 3:00-6:00 pm. Free assistance with math, English, and reading. Registration required.

**Gulf Beaches Public Library**

**Baby & Me Story Time:** (Ages 2 & under) Wednesdays, 10:30 am. Short stories, puppets, songs and fingerplays.

**Wild Things Story Time & Art Class:** (Ages 2-4) Fridays, 10:30 am. Stories, puppets, songs, fingerplays, followed by an art/craft class at 11:00 am.

**Largo Public Library**

**Kidstock-Let’s Band Together:** Saturday, January 23, 1:00-3:30 pm. What do you get when you combine helping hands and music? Largo Public Library’s Kidstock! Celebrate volunteerism through music and activities. Enjoy performances by special guests, Givin’ Tree Music and the Battersby Duo, while participating in creative activities.

**Art Smarts:** Sunday, January 3, 2:00 pm. Inspire the artist in you! Discover your creative sides as we have fun with art and exploring the many methods of making masterpieces.

**Family Fun-O-Rama:** Mondays, January 4, 11, & 25, 6:30 pm. Put on your pj’s and bring your teddy bear to enjoy themed stories, songs, and activities for families.

**Itsy Bitsy Baby Club:** (18 mos & under) Tuesdays, 10:00 am. Songs, rhymes, fingerplays, and a few surprises!

**Read to Me! Mommy and Me Bi-lingual Group Reading Club:** (Preschoolers & under) Monday, January 4, 11 & 25, 10:00 am. Reading English/Spanish picture books gives moms a chance to practice their English while inspiring the love of reading in their children.
Children’s Programs

**Toddler Tales:** (18 mos-3 yrs) Wednesdays, 10:00 am. Themed stories, music, and extended story activities.

“**Había Una Vez...**” Family Story Night in Spanish: Wednesday, January 20, 5:30 pm. Join us for an adventure in Spanish storytelling fun. This program is for Spanish speakers and those who want to learn. ¡Hasta la vista!

**Curious Kids Club:** (Ages 3-5) Thursdays, 10:00 am. Explore the worlds of math and science. This is a hands-on, interactive program designed for preschool children who are curious about the world around them. Each week children will experience the marvels of math and science through stories, crafts, experiments, and messy play.

It’s Dr. King’s Birthday: Friday, January 15, 4:30 pm. We’re having a party for Dr. King and you’re invited! There will be music, games, and crafts at this family event.

**Ready Readers Book Club:** (Ages 5-7) Sunday, January 17, 2:00 pm. Ready, Set, Read! Have a talk and activity on beginning readers’ books that combine short sentences with pictures and the next level, chapter books. Registration required.

**Kids’ Book Club Adventure:** (Ages 8-10) Sunday, January 24, 2:00 pm. Go on a reading adventure with a book talk and activity during our kids’ book club. Registration required.

**Oldsmar Public Library**

**Toddler Time:** (18 mos-3 yrs) Tuesdays 10:00 am. Short stories, songs, and activities to encourage early literacy.

**Preschool Story Time:** (Ages 3 & up) Thursdays, 10:00 am. Stories and a simple craft.

**Palm Harbor Public Library**

**Toddler Story Time:** (18 mos-3 yrs, siblings welcome) Mondays, January 4, 11 & 25, 10:00 am. A fun-filled interactive half hour of stories and songs.

**Snuggle Up Story Time:** (Ages 3 & up) Mondays, January 4, 11 & 25, 7:00 pm. Wear your pajamas and bring your teddy bears for a rollicking evening story time guaranteed to keep you awake! Pajamas optional.

**Starbucks Story Time:** (Ages 3 & up) Tuesday, January 5, 10:00 am. Take a coffee break and meet us for stories and snacks at Palm Harbor Starbucks, US 19 and Nebraska Avenue.

**Mainly Mother Goose:** (Age 2 & under) Tuesdays, 10:00 am. Nursery rhymes, songs and fingerplays for our youngest library members.

**Granny Jane’s Story Corner:** (Ages 2 & up) Wednesdays, 3:00 pm. Old classics and new favorites – you can pick the stories for her to read aloud or you can read to her.

**Homework Helpers:** Don’t get into a homework war with your kids! During the school year, high school volunteers assist students in elementary and middle school with homework assignments, reading reinforcement and researching and writing reports. This free service is offered on a first-come, first-served basis Monday through Thursday afternoons.

**Leap Into Art @ Leepa-Rattryn!** (Ages 3 & up) Thursday, January 7, 6:00-7:00 pm. Join us at the Leepa-Rattryn Museum of Art Interactivity Gallery located at 600 Klosterman Road on the campus of St. Pete College for an hour of art-related stories and an art activity provided by the museum staff. The program is free for children. Adults must pay a $5.00 museum admission fee.

**Early Childhood Fair:** Saturday, January 9, 9:30-11:30 am. Parents can meet with representatives from local schools and early childhood programs to learn what is available for your preschooler in the Palm Harbor community. One-stop shopping for parents!

**Honeymoon Island Family Storycraft:** (Ages 3 & up) Saturday, January 9, 1:30 pm. Location: Rotary Centennial Nature Center at Honeymoon Island State Park, 1 Causeway Blvd., Dunedin. A special children’s story time with related crafts, a fun way to learn about nature. (A free program with paid park admission of $8.00 per car, up to 8 people per carload).

**First Steps Parent/Child Workshop, Winter 1:** (Parent and child, Ages 1-3, siblings up to 4 yrs welcome) January 13-February 3, 10:00-11:00 am. A four-week series of parent/child workshops that include play, community resource professionals, parenting materials and an opportunity to have fun with your child! Registration begins December 14.

**Filomena, the Fairy Godmother!** (Ages 3 & up) Saturday, January 16, 12:00-1:00 pm. Filomena, the Fairy Godmother, has come out of retirement to perform in a hilarious theatrical presentation that involves audience participation. Fun for everyone.

**Thinkfinity Demonstration:** (All ages) Tuesday, January 19, 7:00-7:45 pm. Learn about a free online educational resource from the Verizon Foundation for parents, teachers and students.

“**Going Green With Franklin**” Winter Reading Club kickoff Party: (Ages 4-8, children only) Friday, January 22, 2:00-3:00 pm. A fun-filled hour of stories, activities and crafts related to this yearly reading incentive program. Each participant will automatically be enrolled in the Winter Reading Club. Registration begins December 21.

**Winter Reading Club, “Going Green With Franklin!”** (Ages 3 & up, children only) Registration dates are January 23-February 20. Franklin the Turtle knows you’re never too old to be read to! Join our Winter Reading Club, get your book bag full of activities and a “Read At Home” book log. All participants who complete the requirements receive prizes and an invitation to a special theatrical performance of Jack and the Beanstalk!

**Pinellas Park Public Library**

**Story Time:** (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays, 10:00-10:30 am. Stories, rhymes, finger plays and crafts.

**Mother Goose:** (Ages 3 & under) Tuesdays, 10:45-11:05 am or Wednesdays, 10:30-10:50 am. Rhymes, finger plays, stories and songs.

**Reading Patch Club:** (Elementary age students) Tuesdays, 3:30-4:30 pm. This is a reading incentive program. Children hear about great books and earn stickers and patches for reading. Attendance is encouraged but not required to earn incentives.

**Evening Mother Goose:** (Younger children) Thursdays, 7:00-7:30 pm. This program is for younger children and an adult and may include short stories, songs, creative movement, and a simple craft. The last Thursday of the month is our Jama Party.

**Safety Harbor Public Library**

**Math Club:** Saturday, January 9, 16, 23, 10:00 am. Brush up on your skills and get tutoring help. Call (727) 726-3386 for more information.

**Toddler Time:** (18-30 mos) Mondays, January 11 & 25, 10:00 am. Registration required.

**Family Story Time:** (All ages) Mondays, January 11 & 25, 7:00 pm.

**Baby & Me:** (18 mos & under) Fridays, January 15, 22, 29, 10:00 am. Registration required.

**Players of Safety Harbor:** Thursdays, 4:30 pm. Rehearsals for the March performance of Aladdin.

**St. Pete Beach Public Library**

Contact the library for January events.

**St. Petersburg Public Library System**

**Main Library**

**After-School Program:** (Ages 6-12) Tuesdays, 4:00 pm.

**Bookaneers Book Club:** (Ages 7-12) Wednesday, January 6, 4:00 pm.

**Cat in the Hat Puppet Show:** Performed by the St. Petersburg Junior League, Mondays, 10:00 am, January 11 & 25. Groups must pre-register.

**Family Story Time & Craft:** (All ages) Thursdays, 6:30 pm.

**Kids Craft Corner:** (All ages) Wednesday, January 13, 2:30-4:00 pm. Make and take craft projects.
Children’s Programs

Mother Goose: (Ages 3 & under) Tuesday, 11:30 am & Fridays, 9:30 am or 10:30 am.
Prechool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Wednesdays, 10:00 am.
Saturday Puppet Shows: (All ages) Saturday, January 9, 11:00 am.
Childs Park
Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Fridays, 4:00 pm. Early elementary ages also welcome.
Johnson Branch
Preschool Story Time: (Age 3-5) Fridays, 10:00 am.
Mirror Lake Branch
Humpty Dumpty: (Infants-crawlers) Mondays, 10:30 am & Wednesdays, 3:30 pm.
Jack & Jill: (Walkers-3) Mondays, 11:00 am & Wednesdays, 4:15 pm.
Preschool: (Ages 4) Fridays, 10:00 am, & (Age 5) 10:30 am.
North Branch
Mother Goose Story Time: (Ages 3 & under) Mondays, 11:00 am & Wednesdays, 10:00 am.
Preschool: (Ages 3-5) Wednesdays, 11:00 am.
Family Story Time & Craft: Tuesday, January 19, 6:30 pm.
South Branch
Mother Goose: (Ages 3 & under) Wednesdays, 10:15 am.
Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Mondays, 10:00 am.
Superstar Readers at South Branch: (Ages 8-12) Tuesday, January 12, 4:30 pm.
Family Story Time & Craft: Tuesday, January 19, 6:30 pm.
West Community Library
Mother Goose: (Ages 3 & under) Thursdays, 10:30 am. Songs, puppets, finger plays and stories.
Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 11:00 am.
After-School Program: (Ages 6-12) Once a month, 3:30 – 4:30 pm. Call for more information.
Seminole Community Library
Toddler Story Time: (18-36 mos) Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10:30 am. A 20-minute program of short stories, books, songs and movement activities based on a weekly theme for toddlers & their caregivers.
Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays, 11:00 am. A 30-minute program of stories, books, songs, movement activities and occasionally short films based on a weekly theme for preschoolers and their caregivers.
Twilight Tales: (Ages 4 & up) Tuesdays, 6:30 pm. Family story time featuring stories, songs, and other fun activities. Jammies, slippers and favorite stuffed animals are always welcome.
Baby Time: (18 mos & under) Friday, January 22, 10:00 am. Lapsit program which includes fingerplays, music, nursery rhymes and a playtime.
LEGOs at the Library: (Elementary students) Wednesday, January 13, 3:30 pm. LEGO will be supplied so bring your imagination and share your building ideas.
Backwards Day Bash: (Elementary students) Tuesday, January 26, 3:30-4:30 pm. Wear your clothes backwards and come to the library for an hour of wacky fun, game & crafts. Registration required.
Kids’ Book Club-Mercy Watson Series: (Kindergarten-grade 3) Monday, January 25, 6:30-7:30 pm. We’ll talk about the Mercy Watson books, play games, do a porcine craft and pig out on a yummy snack. Registration required.

Tarpon Springs Public Library
Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Thursdays, 10:15 am.
Mother Goose Toddler Time: (Ages 1-3) Fridays, 10:15 am or 11:00 am. Registration required.
Craft Club: (Ages 6-12) Friday, January 8, 4:30 pm. Registration required.
Appreciate a Dragon Day: (Ages 6-12) Saturday, January 16, 10:00 am-4:00 pm. Stop by the Library and make a dragon craft!
Knit Club: (Ages 7-18) Saturday, January 16, 2:00 pm. Learn how to knit and share your projects.
Early Release Wednesday Movies: Wednesday, January 20, 2:30 pm. G-Force.

Online Event Calendar
The Pinellas Public Library Cooperative Calendar of Events is now available online. You can search for your favorite programs at our member library locations.
Go to www.pplc.us/calendar.asp to begin using our interactive newsletter.