Pinellas Public Library Cooperative

Thanks Our Summer Reading Community Partner

the Tampa Bay Rays

We had another great year of summer reading in Pinellas County. It was a busy time filled with book discussions, crafts, activities, and special events for our kids, teens, and adults. The Rays Baseball Foundation, the official charity of the Tampa Bay Rays supported the Reading with the Rays: Read Your Way to the Ballpark for our sixth consecutive year. They also sponsored our Grand Prize, two free tickets to a Rays baseball game, for the adult summer reading program and gave adults the opportunity to participate in the summer reading fun too!

The Rays program provided children with a chance to earn great incentives as they circled the bases on their game cards such as Rays posters, gel bracelets and signature Evan Longoria arm sleeves. Once the participant made it to Home Plate, kids received a signed certificate from Tampa Bay Rays 3rd Baseman Evan Longoria and a free ticket to a Rays baseball game! This program also partnered the Rays and PPLC with the Tampa Bay Times’ Newspapers in Education.

Florida Library Association Recognizes Two Pinellas Legislators As Outstanding Supporters of Florida’s Libraries

The Florida Library Association selected two Pinellas legislators for their 2013 Legislative Award Recipients. Representative Ed Hooper (District 67) and Senator Jeff Brandes (District 22) have been recognized by the statewide library association for the outstanding support of Florida’s libraries during this past legislative session. Pinellas library supporters had an opportunity to meet with both legislators during the 2013 advocacy event, FLA Library Day, in Tallahassee this past spring. We congratulate them on this honor and thank them for their continued support of libraries in Pinellas and throughout the State of Florida!

September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month! As part of the American Library Association’s annual national promotion to “Get the Smartest Card @ your library®”, children and adults are encouraged to sign up for a library card during the month of September. This year, the official spokesperson for this national event is Luol Deng of the Chicago Bulls, two time All-Star and a noted humanitarian for his work in Africa. He encourages readers to visit their local public library and register for a card today.

Your library card opens the door to great print and electronic resources, including downloadable e-Books and audiobooks from OverDrive, 3M, and Axis 360. Access to great public programming, special events, and technology classes are also made available. You just need to register in person or online through the Polaris automation system. Go to https://pals.polarislibrary.com and click on “Click Here to Register Now”.

Make Reading Your Goal and visit your local Pinellas Public Library Cooperative member library today for more information and to sign-up for your library card.
Adult Programs

Clearwater Public Library System
Main Library
Films on the Bluff: Tuesday, September 10, 2:00-4:30 pm. Art house and independent films shown monthly.
Beach Branch
Writer’s Support Group: Wednesdays, September 4 & 18, 1:00-3:00 pm. A workshop for writers and would be writers led by journalist Ann Garris. Join us for help and encouragement.
Cooking with Rita Fabula – Cool Quick Dinners: Tuesday, September 10, 1:30 pm. Mouth watering salads from the ground up; blackened shrimp/steak. Learn to make homemade salad dressings, pralines and croutons. Not your mama’s iceberg lettuce.
Clearwater Beach Shell Crafters Club: Thursdays, September 12 & 26, 1:00 pm. Create shell crafts such as photo frames, wreaths, wall plaques, etc. using shells found on the beach. Sponsored in part by Beach Friends of the Library. To join, please call 447-5882.

Countries Branch
Big Screen Biographies @ Countryside Branch: Wednesdays, 2:00 pm. Join us for a weekly film. September 4, Peter the Great; September 11, Johnny Cash; September 18, Mychal Judge; September 25, John Nash.
Socrates Café: Sunday, September 29, 2:00-3:00 pm. Come to the monthly open discussion group based on the book by Christopher Phillips. Attendees exchange thoughtful ideas and personal philosophies while embracing the Socratic Method of dialogue. Topics are voted on monthly, so no preparation is required. Join us with an open mind and the desire for intelligent conversation with your peers. More information about the concept of the Socrates Café can be found at: http://www.philosopher.org/Socrates_Cafe.html.
Get Healthy @ the Countryside Library-Cancer Prevention: Wednesday, September 25, 12:00 pm. Monthly health lecture delivered by physicians from Baycare Health. Part of a partnership with the Clearwater Aging Well Center and Morton Plant Mease Healthcare. Call the hotline or visit the website www.myclearwater.com/cpl for meeting topics.
Tips and Tricks for Self Defense: Saturday, September 21, 2:00-3:30 pm. Learn to defend yourself with Shihan Walter Evans of the Shihan School of Survival in this interactive healthy and fun program to get up and moving for your safety.

North Greenwood Branch
Thursday Afternoon @ the Movies: Adults only please 2:00-4:00 pm. Join us for an afternoon film.
Bridge Club: Fridays, 12:30-3:30 pm. For older adults interested in playing bridge.
Family Zumba: Saturday, September 14, 2:00-3:00 pm. Zumba instructor Claudia Garzon leads an exhilarating workout.
ESOL Tutoring: Mondays, 4:00-6:00 pm. Literacy tutors and students practice Conversational English.
Stitch in Time Charity Stitching Group: Fridays, 2:00-4:30 pm. Join us at our weekly get-together to create items to donate for anyone in need.
Family Zumba: Saturday, September 14, 2:00-3:00 pm. Zumba instructor Claudia Garzon leads an exhilarating workout.
How to Publish Your eBook: Saturday, September 21, 2:00-3:00 pm. Learn about the process and resources for self-publishing and marketing your ebook.
Yo Me Cuido: Saturday, September 28, 2:00-4:30 pm. Moffitt Cancer Center offers health information for Hispanic women.
Deaf Literacy Center
Call Rosa Rodriguez at (727) 724-1525 for program information.
Dunedin Public Library
Tuesdays at Two Film Program: Movies are shown at 2:00 pm.
Socrates Café: Saturday, September 7, 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Explore philosophical questions.
Casual Scrabble Club: Monday, September 9, 6:00 pm. Bring your own board. Open to adults and high school age and up.
Turkey: Over and Under: Wednesday, September 11, 2:00 pm. World traveler, Eric Houghton, will present a slide narrative of Turkey.
Medicare 101: Wednesday, September 18, 2:00-4:00 pm. Presented by a S.H.I.N.E. volunteer from the Florida Department of Elder Affairs.
Reflections From the Mirror: Thursday, September 19, 2:00 pm. Local beautician, Diane Proia, will share stories from her book, gathered from 37 years as a hair stylist.
Travels With Turza: Tuesday, September 24, 7:00 pm. Turza Allen will share slides and stories from her cruise from Hong Kong to Cape Town.
Medicare Advantage Plans: Wednesday, September 25, 2:00-4:00 pm. Presented by a S.H.I.N.E. volunteer from the Florida Department of Elder Affairs.
Chess Club: This U.S. Chess Federation approved chess member group is open to ages 10 and up
SCORE Small Business Counseling: Free small business counseling is offered on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. The counseling is provided by a S.C.O.R.E. volunteer and is open to those starting up a small business or for existing businesses. Call for an appointment, or sign up at the Adult Information Desk. To learn more about S.C.O.R.E. visit their website at www.scorepinellas.org.
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.
Genealogy Assistance: Thursdays, 1:00-3:00 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 (LCUP), located at the Dunedin Public Library, is looking for tutors. Unlock the door to success by helping someone learn to read, speak and write English. For additional information please call the Literacy Office or visit the website at www.lcupinfo.net.
Outreach Program for Adults: If someone you know is homebound in Dunedin and would like monthly deliveries of library materials (books and/or cassette/CD books), please call our Outreach Department.
East Lake Community Library
The Friends of East Lake Library: Tuesday, September 3, 6:30 pm. New members are encouraged to attend.
ELCL Cinema: Tuesday, September 10, 1:00 pm. Join us for our exciting monthly program! Watching a movie is a great way to spend an afternoon. Donations are gratefully accepted. Call for details.
Advisory Board Meeting: Tuesday, September 10, 6:00 pm. The public is welcome to attend.
Book Launch: Wednesday, September 11, 6:00 pm. Come join newly published author Kitty Park as she hosts a reception to launch her novel. The book is loosely based on her father’s life as a St. Louis, MO police officer.
Investing 101: Thursday, September 12, 11:30 am. Please join us as Jeff Mizner teaches us how to Make Sense of Retirement. Lunch will be provided, please register to attend.
Chef’s Table: Friday, September 13, 12:00 pm. Find a recipe from your favorite cook book, prepare the dish at home, then bring it to the library to share with other fabulous cooks at a yummy potluck!
Authors Showcase: Tuesday, September 17, 6:00 pm. This month’s featured speaker is RonBrue Brandvick, who has written Pearls: Spirits of the Bellevue Biltmore. This novel is based on a young woman whose psyche is invaded by a Victorian spirit who resides at the historic Bellevue Biltmore Resort. Please join us for a superb talk.
Fiber Arts Group: The third Wednesday of every month from 6:00-7:45 pm. Share your Needle Arts skills! Bring any projects you are working on. All needle crafts are encouraged. Enjoy quality time “stitched” with tips and new ideas. Sewing machines are welcome!

Gulf Beaches Public Library
Gifts Support Group for Victims of Sexual Abuse: Mondays, 6:00-6:45 pm. FMI, call (727) 637-4331.
Community Involvement: Tuesday, September 3, 9:00-11:00 am. A representative from Congressman C.W. Bill Young’s office will be available on the first Tuesday of the month to listen to your questions, concerns and suggestions.
Free Thinkers Open Twelve Step Meeting: Tuesdays, 5:45-6:45 pm.
Gulfport Prompt Short Story Writers: Wednesdays, 10:00 am-12:00 pm.
Gulfport Toastmasters: Wednesdays, 6:00-7:30 pm. FMI, call (727) 827-8775.
Women’s AA Club: Fridays, 5:45-6:45 pm.
**Adult Programs**

In **Our Own Words, Book Writing Contest**: Saturdays, starting on Sept. 14, 11:00 am-1:00 pm. Participate in workshops and learn how to create a book. The winning book to be published by Trace Taylor Books!

**Tim Dorsey**: Thursday, September 19, 7:00 pm. The popular Florida author returns! Please call to reserve your seat for this event.

**Free Family Movie Day**: Saturday, September 21, two movies, starting at 10:30 am and 1:30 pm. It’s been a long summer, so join us as we resume our monthly program. Enjoy flicks with popcorn provided by our Circle of Friends. Call for movie titles.

**SCORE Face-to-Face Counseling**: Tuesday, September 24, get free and helpful business advice from locally based business mentors on the fourth Tuesday of the month. Call for appointment.

**Banned Books**: An ongoing and controversial topic ripe for further discussion, event details had not been finalized as of press deadline. Program sponsored by our Circle of Friends. Please call for event date/time.

**Largo Public Library**

**Crafternoons @ Largo Public Library**: Wednesday, September 18, 2:00-4:00 pm. Want to give someone a handmade gift? Want to give yourself a handmade gift? Come to this monthly program that will feature a different fun, easy craft every month. September: Handmade Cards.

**Story Circle Writer’s Group**: Wednesday, September 4, 6:00 pm. The Story Circle is a chance for writer’s to share their stories and develop their skills. The group is facilitated by author and writing coach, Jan Golden.

**POETS Live**: Monday, September 9, 6:30 pm. Participate in this volunteer-led group for poetry enthusiasts.

**Socrates Cafe**: Thursday, September 12, 1:00 pm. The Socrates Cafe is a volunteer-led program that allows people from all backgrounds to exchange ideas and opinions on a variety of topics in a fun, inclusive environment.

**English Language Learning Conversation Club**: Mondays, September 9 & 23, 11:00 am. Want to practice speaking and listening in English? Want to meet other ELL learners? This is a great opportunity! Join us for an informative, fun hour.

**Family Tree Maker User Group**: Saturday, September 7, 10:00 am. Questions and answers and a demonstration of how to use the Family Tree Maker genealogical database software.

**Naturalization Records**: Monday, September 9, 6:00 pm. This class explains the naturalization process, what information can be found in the records, and where those records can be found.

**Rootsweb**: Tuesday, September 10, 6:00 pm. Get the most out of this huge, free website.

**Using the iPad/iPod/iPhone for Genealogy**: Tuesday, September 17, 6:00 pm. Discover new ways of doing genealogical research with these handheld devices.

**Research Trip Planning**: Wednesday, September 18, 10:00 am. This session will describe steps to take to ensure that your trip is as successful as possible.

**Computers in Genealogy**: Saturday, September 21, 10:00 am. Question and answer session on the use of computers in genealogy research and record keeping.

**Genealogy Software Utilities - Part 2**: Tuesday, September 24, 6:00 pm. View a demonstration of several utility programs useful for genealogy such as: Dropbox, Skype, Google Voice, Google Earth, Evernote, and many more.

**Google Your Family Tree**: Wednesday, September 25, 10:00 am. This presentation demonstrates how to use the powerful features of Google to discover genealogy information on the internet.

**Rootsmagic User Group**: Saturday, September 28, 10:00 am. Questions and answers and a demonstration of how to use the RootsMagic genealogy database software.

**Hispanic Heritage-Nuestra Tierra Trio**: Saturday, September 28, 3:00 pm. Largo Public Library welcomes the Nuestra Tierra Trio! This one-hour show features the wonderful acoustic violin player, Teresa Arruza from Spain and guitarist, Juan Carlos from Cuba accompanied by percussionist, Manny Lopez from Puerto Rico. The trio plays music from Latin America, Cha cha, Boleros, Cuban son, Tangos and much more!

**ELL Tutor Orientation & Training**: Monday, September 16, Wednesday, September 18, Monday, September 23, & Wednesday, September 25, 6:10-8:00 pm. Become an Volunteer English Language Tutor! Work one-to-one with adult students who want to improve their ability to read, write and converse in English. You’ll be amazed at the difference a little of your time can make in one person’s life. Register by phone or online at www.largopubliclibrary.org. Call for more information.

**Oldsmar Public Library**

**SCORE Small Business Counseling**: 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 10:00 am-12:00 pm & 1:00-3:00 pm, Free 1 hour one-on-one session with a SCORE business counselor. Registration required.

**Movies & Popcorn**: Friday, September 6, 1:00 pm. Join us for a movie on the big screen! Call the Library for movie title.

**Friends of the Library**: Thursday, September 19, 1:00 pm. Business Meeting

**Palm Harbor Public Library**

**Socrates Cafe**: Thursday, September 5, 6:00 pm & Thursday, September 19, 1:00 pm. If you like intellectual stimulation and want to share your opinion on a variety of subjects, you will enjoy this group.

**Master Gardeners Plant Clinic**: Wednesdays, September 10, 10:00 am-2:00 pm The Pinellas County Master Gardeners provide a weekly gardening help desk. Bring your gardening and landscaping questions and plant samples!

**Master Gardener Program – Micro-Irrigation**: Thursday, September 12, 2:00 or 6:15 pm. A popular, informative program for Florida gardeners. Space limited. Please call the County Extension Service to reserve a seat: (727) 582-2603.

**Suncoast Genealogy Society**: Saturday, September 28. Roots Magic User’s Group meets at 1:00 pm, General Meeting at 2:00 pm.

**Genealogy Assistance**: Available Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 1:00-4:00 pm.

**Creative Writing Workshop**: Saturdays, 10:00 am. Registration required. Bring your own work-in-progress or project that you’re having trouble beginning.

**Your Life, Your Legacy: Make It Right**: Saturday, September 7, 10:30 am. Registration required. Learns four simple steps to plan your final arrangements from Moss Feaster Funeral Homes.

**Guard Yourself Against Identity Theft**: Saturday, September 21, 2:00 pm. Registration required. Know to safeguard against identity theft. Presented by Investigator Anne Marie Milllet of the Pinellas County Office of Consumer Protection.

**Medicare 101 Seminar**: Wednesday, September 25, 1:00 pm. Learn all you need to know about Medicare from Torrey Craig, SHINE representative.

**Medicare Assistance**: Monday, September 9 & 23, 1:00-5:00 pm. SHINE representative Torrey Craig will meet one-on-one with seniors with questions.

**Where Did Your Ancestors Come From?** Thursday, September 26, 6:30 pm. Local author Deanna Bennett will talk about her novel, Anna: Going to America.

**Friday Matinees**: Friday, September 13, 2:00 pm. An elderly nobleman returns to Spain to determine which of his two granddaughters is the true heir. Rated PG – Spanish with English subtitles. Registration required. Invite a friend and enjoy the movie followed by a round table discussion.

**Florida Master Money Mentors**: Thursday, September 5, 1:00 pm. Register at pinellas.sustainableliving.eventbrite.com/ Free financial coaching from Pinellas County Extension Office. 18 years and older.

**Financial Counseling**: Thursday, September 19, 5:30 pm. One-on-one financial counseling with Florida Master Money Mentors. Please phone (727) 582-2103 for scheduling.

**Tai Chi for Movement and Balance**: Intermediate Class/Mondays and Wednesdays from 1:00-2:00 pm beginning September 9. Fall prevention program for seniors.

**A Matter of Balance**: Mondays & Wednesdays, 2:00-5:30 pm beginning September 9. Eight-week series educates seniors on the importance of exercise to help prevent falls.

**Thrilling Tales—“Students of Terror”** Thursday, September 5, 1:00 pm. The Adventure of the German Student by Washington Irving, History of the Young Man with Spectacles by Arthur Machen. Join us for a selection of oral readings for your listening pleasure.

**Pinellas Park Public Library**

**One-on-One Technology Clinic**: Thursdays, 6:00-7:00 pm. Bring your specific questions about your e-reader, tablet, and laptop. Help is offered on a first-come-first serve basis.

**Safety Harbor Public Library**

**Practically Pikasso Plate Painting Party**: Tuesday, September 10, 2:00 pm. Paint your very own keepsake plate at the library with local Practically Pikasso Pottery Studio. Sponsored by the Friends of the Safety Harbor Library. Material cost is $5 per participant. Registration required.

**Jay Hopler Poetry Reading and Discussion**: Thursday, September 12, 6:30 pm. Join us for an evening with award-winning poet Jay Hopler as he reads and discusses his new poetry. Registration requested.

**Viva 500 - Relive Florida’s History Lecture Series-Cuban Fishing Ranchos in Tampa Bay**: Thursday, September 19, 6:00-7:00 pm. Jeff Moates with the Florida Public Archaeology Network will discuss how important the early Spanish/Cuban fishing camps were to the development of Tampa Bay. The talk also includes demonstrations and artifacts. Funding for this program was provided through a grant from the Florida Humanities Council with funds from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Any views, findings, conclusions or recommendations expressed in this program do not necessarily represent those of the Florida Humanities Council or the National Endowment for the Humanities.
Adult Programs

Cupcake Decorating with Sweet Ida Mae’s: Saturday, September 21, 1:00 pm. A mouth-watering demonstration of cupcake decorating tips from pastry chef, Mary K. of Sweet Ida Mae’s Bakery. Registration required.


Story Circle Network Writer’s Group: Wednesday, September 18, 6:00 pm. A writers group facilitated by author and writing coach, Jan Golden and fellow writer, Sheila McNaughton. The group meets the third Wednesday of each month and is dedicated to helping participants write, share stories of their lives, and raise public awareness of personal histories.

Safe Harbor Writers & Poets Library Group: Thursday, September 26, 6:00-8:00 pm. This monthly gathering of writers is meant to be a platform for those in search of forming or joining a writers’ group, connecting to others with similar writing goals, and as a mentor group for writers in need of constructive tips and ideas on how to make their current or future group successful. Bring something to share (optional) and if time permits, we will discuss the strengths and also how your work may improve. (This group meets monthly on the fourth Thursday.)


St. Pete Beach Public Library

City Commissioner Jim Parent: Wednesday, September 25, 6:30 pm. Monthly roundtable discussion of local issues, concerns.

Citizenship Workshop: Tuesday, September 17, 6:00-7:30 pm. Kristen Smith, USCIS Community Relations Officer, will present everything you need to know about the process for obtaining citizenship.

St. Pete Speaks ESL Tutor Training & Orientation: Now accepting student volunteers for no-cost tutoring. All skill levels welcome. Volunteers also needed to work one-to-one with an adult English as a Second Language student to improve conversational English. Application and registration is required. For more information call 893-7929, email ESL.library@stpete.org or online at www.splibraries.org/ESL.html.

Florida Writers Association: 2nd Thursday of each month 5:30-7:30 pm. Monthly meeting featuring topical speakers. See http://fwastpete.blogspot.com/ for speaker schedule.

Medicare Seminar: Medicare Advantage Plans: Tuesday, September 17, 11:00 am. Presented by the Florida Department of Elder Affairs SHINE program volunteers, SHINE provides educational materials & free unbiased insurance counseling to Florida elders, caregivers & family members. Registration required, call 893-7928 to register.

Mirror Lake Branch

Needle Craft Club: 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month, 1:00-3:00 pm. Needle crafts include knitting, crocheting, needlepoint, embroidery and quilting. All skill levels are welcome.

South Branch

The Family Yarn Crafters: (Ages 8 & up) Saturday, September 14 & 28, 12:00-2:00 pm. All attendees must bring their own yarn, needles & supplies. Crafters with all levels of experience are encouraged to participate.

Reading Partners -Reading Buddies: Elementary school children read aloud to adult volunteers. Call branch for more information.

West Community Library

St Petersburg Writer’s Club: 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 6:30 pm.

Seminole Community Library

Author Talk & Book Signing: Thursday, September 5, 7:00 pm. Lisa Hein on Manifesting God’s Love in Your Family.

Cinema at Sundown: Thursday, September 12, 6:00 pm: The Intouchables (2011)—in French with English subtitles; this film is rated “R” for language and some drug use. Thursday, September 26, 6:00 pm: Iron Man 3 (2013). Free popcorn and soda courtesy of the Friends of the Seminole Library.


Gizmos, Gadgets & Geezers: Need help with your phone, laptop, tablet, MP3 player, or E-Reader? Members of the Library Youth Advisory Board are here to help you become comfortable with the ever-changing world of technology. To set up an appointment, contact the Youth Services Department at (727) 394-6913.

Pause for Poetry: Wednesday, September 18, 7:00 pm. Calling all bards! Enjoy a supportive atmosphere where lovers of poetry share their works and/or read favorite selections aloud. Spoken word encouraged. Writers and non-writers welcome.

Seminole Chess Club: (All ages) Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30 pm. For novice, intermediate and advanced players. Basic instruction not available at the meetings. Players should already know the moves, rules and etiquette of chess.

Socrates Café: Monday, September 23, 1:00 pm.

Sunday Musical: Sunday, September 8, 3:00 pm. “Fast Forward” – Sweet Adelines / Harmony Vocalists.

Thrilling Tales: Thursday, September 12, 1:00 pm. Enjoy hearing entertaining stories read aloud by a skilled reader.

Two Towers Chess Club: (All ages) Monday, September 9 & 23, 3:30-5:30 pm. All skill levels welcome.

SPC Toastmasters: Tuesdays, 6:15 pm.

Tarpon Springs Public Library

Viva Florida 500 Film Festival: Saturday, September 7, 11:00 am. Join us each month for the screening of a theatrical release or documentary film featuring Florida as a topic or locale. Call the library for the current month’s showing.

Genealogy Assistance: One-on-one research help on Tuesday evenings. Other times are available by appointment; please call the library.

Cinema Saturday: September 14 & 21, 11:00 am. Watch newly released movies! Seating is limited to the first 80 people. Call the library for the movie titles.

Genealogy Research Group: Monday, September 16, 6:30-8:30 pm and Friday, September 20, 2:30-4:30 pm. A wide range of topics are explored for family history research, organization, and writing. Beginners and advanced researchers are welcome. Bring your laptop or call the library to reserve one.

Needlecraft Group: Monday, September 9 & Wednesday, September 25, 6:30-8:30 pm. Open to anyone who knits, crochets, embroiders, or does any other needlecraft. All skill levels are welcome.

Writers Group: Fridays, 10:00 am-1:00 pm. Bring your manuscript to read and have critiqued.

Teen Programs

Clearwater Public Library System

Main Library

Manga Book Club: Wednesday, September 25, 4:00-6:00 pm. Read and discuss a different manga monthly – maybe reread an old favorite or find out about something completely new! Monthly activities may include crafts, an art show, or making doujinshi (fan-made manga) among others.

Beach Branch

College Application Essay Prep: Saturday, September 7, 2:00-3:00 pm. Welcome back Countryside High AP English teacher Maria Gerakios as she makes the college application essay a lot less stressful.

Tips and Tricks for Self Defense: Saturday, September 21, 2:00-3:00 pm. Learn to defend yourself with Shihan Walter Evans of the Shihan School of Survival in this interactive healthy and fun program to get up and moving for your safety.

Teen Club: Wednesday, September 4, 4:30-6:00 pm. Enjoy gaming, music and more with other teens who share your interests.

North Greenwood Branch

DIY Crafts: Wednesday, September 18, 4:30-6:00 pm. Make a crafty masterpiece in a fun atmosphere.

Dunedin Public Library

All teen programs require registration. Registration begins two weeks prior to the program.

Dunedin Youth Volunteers: Monday, September 9, 6:30 pm. Our teen volunteer group meets once a month, plan and assist programs for the youth of the community.

Philip’s 3-D Super Stackers: (Ages 8-14) Meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 6:00 pm.

Super Speed Stacking Club: (Ages 8-14) Meets the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 6:00 pm.
Teen Programs

S.A.T. Private Tutor with Amy Lucas DVD: (Ages 14-18) Saturdays, 2:00 pm. Each date is subject specific.

Princeton Review Practice S.A.T.: (Ages 14-18) Saturday, September 14, 9:00 am-1:00 pm. Improve your score by taking this practice test. Registration required.

Get Your Spy On: (Ages 12-18) Monday, September 23, 6:00 pm. Improve your espionage skills. Registration required.

East Lake Community Library
SAT/ACT Prep Class: Saturday, September 7, 12:00-2:00 pm. Parents and students, please join us as scholastic experts provide tutoring sessions to help teens prepare for their SAT and/or ACT tests.

Teen Movie! Saturday, September 28, 1:00 pm. Come join the ELCL Teen Group and watch an entertaining and exciting movie. Hint: The third time is a charm for this man with an iron presence.

Teen Tutors: (All ages) Free assistance with Math, English, Reading, and Biology! Call for times. Registration required.

Gulfport Public Library
In Our Own Words, Book Writing Contest: Saturdays starting on September 14, 11:00 am -1:00 pm. Teens will have a chance to create a book and participate in workshops. The winning book to be published by Trace Taylor Books!

Free Family Movie Day: Saturday, September 21, two movies, starting at 10:30 am and 1:30 pm. It’s been a long summer, so join us as we resume our monthly program. Enjoy flics with popcorn provided by our Circle of Friends. Call for movie titles.

Teen Game Zone: Wednesdays, 3:00-5:00 pm. Come challenge your friends on the latest XBOX 360 games or just hangout. Free Refreshments.

Largo Public Library
Teen Connect: (Ages 13-18) September Theme - School and Sports. Get rewarded for reading! Participate in this reading incentive program that runs throughout the month.

Role Play Games (RPG) and get a chance to RP with us!

Teen Tutors: (All ages) Free assistance with Math, English, Reading, and Biology! Call for times. Registration required.

Teen Council: to help coordinate events for the teens in our community. Bring a friend!

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Large Public Library
Teen Connect: (Ages 13-18) September Theme - School and Sports. Get rewarded for reading! Participate in this reading incentive program that runs throughout the school year and is just for teens. Complete a weekly activity sheet for a small prize and/or fill out book reviews that follow the monthly theme in order to be entered into a grand prize drawing.

The Teen Scene - School and Sports: (Ages 13-18) Monday, September 16, 5:00 pm. Join us for trivia, crafts, games, and snacks at this teen gathering focused on the reading program’s monthly theme.

Puttering Around: (Ages 13-18) Monday, September 23, 5:00 pm. Participate with members of TLC to plan this year’s teen fundraising event - Putt-Putt Golf at the Library. Develop ideas, build props, and volunteer on the day of the program.

Tampa Public Library
OTAB/Teen Coffee House: (Grades 6-12) Tuesday, September 17, 6:00 pm. Oldsmar Teen Advisory Board meeting.

Palm Harbor Public Library
Palm Harbor Library Youth Advisory Board (YAB), (Ages 13-18) Thursdays, 5:00-6:00 pm. The Youth Advisory Board (YAB) strives to serve the Palm Harbor Library and community by planning relevant programs for the youth of Palm Harbor, and completing volunteer projects. Membership is open to all teens, that complete a YAB application. Attendance at weekly meetings and participation in various service activities and programs is expected. Come join us! Hours may be counted for Bright Futures Scholarships!

Learn to Role Play: (Ages 11-18) Thursday, September 12, 6:15-7:45 pm. Learn Role Play Games (RPG) and get a chance to RP with us!

Banned Book Week Bingo: (Ages 11-18) Thursday, September 26, 6:00-7:15 pm. Win awesome prizes and learn why each book was banned.

SAT Practice Exam: (Grades 9-12) Saturday, September 14, 10:00 am-2:00 pm. Get a head start on college entrance exams! An SAT Practice Test will be offered by Huntington Learning Center and the Palm Harbor Library. In person registration required for writing tests. The fee must be paid at the time of registration; space is limited. The fee includes an in-depth follow-up consultation of test results with Huntington Learning Center specialists.

Pinellas Park Public Library
Origami Workshop: Tuesday, September 10, 6:30 pm. Registration required.

Teen Advisory Board: The T.A.B. helps to plan and organize teen programs and events for the Library. Meetings are held the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm, starting September 19. If interested, speak to a staff member at the Youth Services desk.

Book to Movie Club: Wednesday, September 25, 5:30 pm. Read a book in the beginning of the month, and come to the program ready to watch the movie and discuss the differences between the book and the film.

Safety Harbor Public Library
Tutoring Tuesdays-English: (Ages 13& up) 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month, 3:00-5:00 pm. Need help with your writing or understanding those literature assignments? Come get help from a certified Reading/English teacher with six years of experience. Registration required.

Creative Writing Club: (Ages 13& up) 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month, 4:00-5:00 pm. Come and get your poems, short stories, novel excerpts, and scripts workshops! Learn vital craft techniques and improve your skills. Come prepared to share with 8-10 copies of your work. Email mhoak@cityofsafetyharbor.com for more information.

Game On! (Tweens and teens) Saturday, September 14, 2:30-4:30 pm. Come hang out for an afternoon of board and video games! You can play multi-player games like Mario Kart and Just Dance on the Wii. Or, you can sit down and play board games like Apples to Apples, Chess, and Risk.

Career Center with John Sattler: (Ages 13& up) Wednesday, September 25, 6:30-7:30 pm. Do you need help improving your interview skills? Could your resume and cover letter use some work? If so, come check out our four-part series! John Sattler has over 16 years of experience and can give you the skills you need to succeed!

Teen Movie-Beautiful Creatures: (Ages 13& up) Saturday, September 28, 2:30-4:45 pm. Come enjoy free popcorn and drinks as we watch the story of Ethan, a teenage boy who longs to escape his small Southern town. He meets a mysterious new girl, Lena. Together, they uncover dark secrets about their respective families, their history, and their town.

Teen Library Advisory Board (TLAB): (Ages 13-18) Thursdays, September 26, 5:00-6:00 pm. Join TLAB and participate in planning and implementing programs for teens!

St. Petersburg Public Library System
Main Library
Knights of the Square Table Chess Club: Monday, September 9, 3:30-5:30 pm. Join the fun – challenge others. All ages are welcome.

West Community Library
Teen Nights: (Ages 13-19) Thursday, September 12, 6:00-8:00 pm. Back to school Games & fun.

Seminole Community Library
Library Youth Advisory Board (LYAB) (Grades 8-12) Monday, September 9 & 23, 7:00-8:00 pm. Meet new people, help choose materials for the Young Adult collection, take part in the City’s Halloween & Pow-Wow events and earn volunteer credits. Meetings are held twice a month on Mondays during the school year. Refreshments will be served.

Seminole Chess Club: (All ages) Monday, September 9 & 23, 3:30-5:30 pm. All skill levels welcome.

Seminole Chess Club: (All ages) Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30 pm. For novice, intermediate and advanced players. Basic instruction not available at the meetings. Players should already know the moves, rules and etiquette of chess. 

Pause for Poetry: (Ages 13& up) Saturday, September 14, 5:00 pm. Need help with your writing or understanding those literature assignments? Come get help from a certified Reading/English teacher with six years of experience. Registration required.

Two Towers Chess Club: (All ages) Monday, September 9 & 23, 3:30-5:30 pm. All skill levels welcome.

Tampa Public Library
Manga Book Club: (Ages 12 & up) Mondays, September 2 & 19, 7:30 pm. If you like manga, graphic novels and anime, then this club is the place for you! Hang out and meet other teens who share your interests. Each month new titles and series will be selected to read and discuss. Members will also enjoy watching popular anime episodes.
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, CDs, DVDs, and magazines for checkout
• Computer classes
• Downloadable audiobooks & eBooks
• Downloadable music
• Countywide automation system and book delivery and return
• Friends of the Library and volunteer groups
• Internet access
• Interlibrary loan
• Literacy classes and tutoring
• Programs for adults and young adults
• Reference assistance and reader’s advisory
• Story hours and children’s activities

POLICIES
• A resident of the unincorporated areas of Pinellas County or one of the member cities is entitled to a free library card.
• Residents of non-member cities may receive a card valid for one year upon payment of $100. Note: Some cities reimburse all or part of this fee.
• One Cooperative card is good at all Cooperative libraries.
• Cards issued to residents are valid for three years.
• Cards issued to non-residents are valid for one year.
• Register for a card at any Cooperative member library.

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Clearwater Public Library System
Main Library
Computer and e-Reader Help: Wednesdays, 10:30 am-12:30 pm. Meet with library computer techs for assistance using e-readers, computers, or the Internet. You can use library laptops or bring your own.

Monday Computer Class @ Main: Mondays, 4:00-6:00 pm.
Saturday Computer Class @ Main: Saturdays, September 14 & 28, 1:00-3:00 pm.

Beach Branch
Computer Help with Ray: Mondays, 1:00-3:00 pm. All types of computer help provided by Ray Pedersen, former IBM employee.

Countryside Branch
Computer and e-Reader Help: Thursdays, 12:30-3:30 pm. Meet with computer techs in the library for assistance using e-readers, computers, or the Internet. You can use library laptops or bring your own.

North Greenwood Branch
Computer and e-Reader Help: Mondays, 4:00-6:00 pm. Meet with our computer techs for assistance using e-readers, computers, or the Internet. You can use the library’s laptops or bring your own.

East Branch
Computer and e-Reader Help: Tuesdays, 2:00-5:00 pm. Meet with library computer techs for assistance using e-readers, computers, or the Internet. You can use library laptops or bring your own.

Deaf Literacy Center
Call Rosa Rodriguez at (727) 724-1525 for program information.

Dunedin Public Library
PowerPoint 2010 Basics, Part 1: Tuesday, September 3, 11:00 am
PowerPoint 2010 Basics, Part 2: Thursday, September 5, 11:00 am.
Creating a Photo Album in PowerPoint 2010: Tuesday, September 10, 11:00 am.
Printing & Saving a PowerPoint 2010 Presentation: Thursday, September 12, 11:00 am.

Working with Files: Tuesday, September 17, 11:00 am.
Working with Folders: Thursday, September 19, 11:00 am.
Flash Drives & External Hard Drives: Tuesday, September 24, 11:00 am.
Creating Data CDs with Windows 7: Thursday, September 26, 11:00 am.

East Lake Community Library
Computer Boot Camp: Please call for your one-on-one session with our teen computer experts. Registration required.

Master Computer Class: Saturdays. All skill levels will benefit from this one-on-one assistance. Word, Excel, and more! Registration required.

Sylvie’s Boot Camp: Learn all about your new iPad, Nook, or Kindle. Please call for dates and times. You must register to attend.

Gulf Beaches Public Library
If you are bringing a laptop, please set it up before the class begins.

E-mail Class: Wednesday, September 11, 1:00 pm.
Open Forum: Monday, September 16, 1:00 pm.
Internet Class: Wednesday, September 18, 1:00 pm.
Facebook: Monday, September 23, 1:00 pm.

Gulfport Public Library
iPad for Beginners Workshop: Thursday, September 12, 1:00-3:00 pm. Learn how to use & enjoy your new technology. Each session is limited to 15 participants. Call 727-893-1073 to reserve your seat for this popular class.

One-on-One Computer Instruction: Mondays, 10:00 am-1:00 pm. First come, first served.

Largo Public Library
Library eBooks on Your Kindle: Tuesday, September 3, 3:00 pm. Learn how to download library books to your Kindle or using the Kindle app. This class is specifically for Kindles and mobile device owners using a Kindle app.

Library eBooks on Your eReader: Tuesday, September 10, 3:00 pm. Learn how to browse for ebooks, place a hold, and check out ebooks from the library's digital catalog. This class is not intended for Kindle owners.

Library eBooks on Your Tablet: Tuesday, September 17, 3:00 pm. Do you want to read ebooks on your tablet or mobile phone? Come to this class and learn how to browse for ebooks, place a hold, and check out ebooks from the library’s digital catalog using your device. This class is intended for smartphone owners, and tablets including iPads, Samsung Galaxy, Kindle Fires, Nook Colors, or Nook HDs.

Appy Hour: Tuesday, September 24, 3:00 pm. Do you have a mobile device? Do you want to learn about some cool apps for productivity and entertainment? If you answered yes, then this is the class for you!

iPads for Beginners: Thursday, September 12, 3:00 pm. Are you baffled by your iPad? Can’t figure out how to get an app or how to erase a photo? This is the class for you! This beginners’ class is meant to make you more familiar and comfortable with your device.

iPads for Beginners 2: Thursday, September 26, 3:00 pm. You’re not that baffled by your iPad, but you’d like to know a little more. In this class, you’ll learn app organization, navigation tips, and how to use some of the apps that came with the device like calendar and contacts.

Oldsmar Public Library
Drop-in Computer Help: 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 3:00-5:00 pm. Need individual help with the computer or the Internet? We will have teen volunteers available to assist you one-on-one or in a small group. Bring your own laptop or smartphone, or use library computers. First come first served.

Computer Class: Tuesday, September 10, 2:00 pm. E-books and E-book Readers. Learn how you can carry a whole library in your hands. Lecture/demonstration followed by Q & A.

Pinellas Park Public Library
Intergenerational Computer Tutoring: Sundays, September 8, 15, 22 & 29 from 1:00-4:00 pm. Call for information and to schedule an appointment, or go to http://computer-class.webs.com/

One-on-One Computer Tutoring with Dan: Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday evenings by appointment. Let Dan help you with your computer questions. Call for information and to schedule an appointment.

Book-a-Librarian Mobile Device Help: Monday, September 9 & Fridays, September 20 & 27, 2:30-4:30 pm. Have a question about an e-reader, MP3 player or your mobile phone? Make an appointment with a librarian for help.

One-on-One Computer Tutoring with Rahul: Saturdays, 9:30 am-12:30 pm by appointment. Have basic questions about your computer? Rahul can help! Please call to schedule an appointment.

St. Pete Beach Public Library
Computer Class: e-Reader Hour: Wednesdays, September 11, 18 & 25, 2:00-3:00 pm. Help with downloading library books to your Kindle, Nook, etc.

I Just Got My iPad…Now What? Tuesday, September 10 & Wednesday, September 18, 10:30 am. Registration required.

iPad e-Books: Friday, September 13, 10:30 am. Registration required.

St. Petersburg Public Library System
Registration for all computer classes.

Main Library
Twitter for Beginners: Thursday, September 5, 10:00 am. Find out what all the buzz is about Twitter! Start your own account & learn how to create and follow tweets.

Library eBooks for Kindles: Friday, September 6, 10:00 am. Learn how to borrow free eBooks through the library for your Kindle.

Library eBooks for Nooks & Tablets: Friday, September 6, 4:30 pm. Learn how to borrow free eBooks through the library for Nook, iPad or Android Tablet.

Introduction to Computers: Mousing Basics: Monday, September 9, 10:00 am. This class is for absolute beginners with no prior computer experience. Learn the parts of a computer & how to use a mouse.

Craigslist Basics: Thursday, September 12, 10:00 am. Learn how to use Craigslist to buy & sell, as well as find information on jobs and housing.

Internet Basics: Thursday, September 19, 10:00 am. Get started using the internet & learn how to sur the web.

Career Transitions: Thursday, September 19, 6:00 pm. Maximize your job search with this library’s eResource. Find job postings, create a resume, cover letter and practice interviewing all in this online database.

Basic Microsoft Word 2007: Monday, September 23, 10:00 am. Use Microsoft Word to write letters & papers, create resumes, flyers, and much more.

Introduction to Ancestry Library Edition: Wednesday, September 25, 10:00 am. Learn how to research your family history using Ancestry Library Edition.
Computer Classes

Johnson Branch  
One-on-One Computer/Internet Training: Thursdays, 10:30-11:30 am.

Mirror Lake Branch

Basic Computing: Tuesday, September 10, 2:00 pm. All registrants must have valid PPLC library card.

North Branch

One-on-One: Computer help with volunteer computer tutors.

South Branch

One-on-One: Computer help with volunteer computer tutors.

West Community Library

Supervised Lab Time: Fridays, 1:30-3:30 pm. Get help with all your computer issues. Beginners & advanced users welcome.

Internet Basics: Thursday, September 5, 12:30 pm. Come and learn the basics of using the World Wide Web.

Microsoft Excel Advanced: Thursday, September 12, 12:30 pm. This Excel class is designed for the experienced Excel user.

I Have the Interview, Now What?: Thursday, September 19, 1:00 pm. Get tips on the Art of Interviewing.

Microsoft Word Advanced: Thursday, September 26, 12:30 pm. This Word class is designed for the experienced Word user.

Angel Workshops: Tuesdays, September 3 & 10, 6:00 pm. Learn the ins & outs of the SPC online learning system, Angel; September 17, 6:00 pm. Manage your schedule & tap into free resources. September 24, 6:00 pm. My Learning Plan; Planning your academic path with SPC online tools.

Registration required for the above computer classes.

Tarpon Springs Public Library

Computer Training: One-on-one instruction tailored to your needs. Call or stop by for a one-hour appointment.

Children’s Programs

Clearwater Public Library System

Main Library

Let’s Grow Baby-oh! Mondays, 10:30-11:15 am. A gentle and fun introduction to literacy through stories, songs, and finger plays for children ages birth to 18 months. Please bring a blanket for baby and you. Stay for play and social time after the program.

Little Ones Music and Stories: Tuesdays, September 3 & 17, 10:30-11:15 am. Toddlers from one to three years will love this program filled with fun music, movement, exciting stories and music education.

Bright Minds Preschool Storytime: Wednesdays, 10:30 am-12:00 pm. Children age three to six participate in early literacy activities including themed stories, songs and take-home crafts. Younger siblings welcome.

Discovery Stations: Thursdays, September 12 & 26, 10:30-11:25 am. Hands-on fun for young children as they learn through play and exploration at a variety of activity centers. Adult participation required.

Children’s Classical Ballet Workshop and Presentation: Friday, September 13, 2:00-4:00 pm. Children ages five to nine are invited to learn about “Swan Lake,” “Coppella,” and “The Nutcracker” with crafts followed by a demonstration of dance and acting out scenes from the three ballets with terminology, movement and dance improvisation. Parents and families are invited to the final activity: a short performance. Registration required.

Doggone Reading Fun: Saturday, September 21, 12:00-2:00 pm. Paws for Friendship Inc. will bring four therapy trained dogs to the library for pre-registered 20-minute reading sessions. Reluctant readers, or children who might not enjoy reading aloud, are often eager to read in the presence of an adoring and nonjudgmental pup. Call to reserve a session.

Family Zumba: Saturday, September 14, 2:00-3:00 pm. Zumba instructor Claudia Garzon leads an exhilarating workout.

Viva Saturdays: Saturdays, September 14 & 28, 12:30 pm. Share stories in English and Spanish with all the family while making exciting themed crafts.

Lego Club: Saturday, September 21, 2:00-3:30 pm. Use our legos or bring your own. Meet in the kids area.

You and Me & Music Together: Thursday, September 26, 11:00-11:45 am. This family music program is for children up to age five and their adult caregivers. Enjoy songs, movement, instrument play and play-based activities.

Deaf Literacy Center

Call Rosa Rodriguez at (727) 724-1525 for program information.

Tarpon Springs Public Library

Baby & Me Storytime: (18 mos & under) Mondays, 10:00 am. Join us for an introduction to stories, rhymes and songs. We’re focusing on the six steps to early literacy to encourage baby to reach milestones. This is a fun-filled literacy experience for baby and caregiver.

Music Mash: (Ages 5 & under) Mondays, 3:30 pm. Join us for a mix of music and movement. We’ll dance to the music, play some instruments and incorporate lots of movement.

Toddlers Time: (18-36 mos) Wednesdays, 10:00 or 11:00 am. This is an exciting introduction to the ABCs, incorporating song, stories, fingerplays, a short video and crafts. Please choose one Toddler Time for your child to attend and make it your regular time.

Preschool Story Time: (Ages 2-5) Thursdays, 10:00 or 11:00 am. Join us for a fun time as we enjoy thematic books, songs, fingerplays, literature-based videos and crafts. Our theme this year is all about the alphabet and will feature a different letter each week. Please choose one Preschool Story Time for your child to attend and make it your regular time.

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

Tiny Tales @ the Community Center: (Ages 5 & under) Tuesday, September 3, 10:00 am. Join us for a special storytime at the Dunedin Community Center.

Dunedin Public Library

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September Sign for Little Ones: Tuesdays, September 3, 10, & 17, 10:30-11:00 am. Welcome back to ABC-123! Babies and toddlers sing and sign ASL – great for early communication skills.

The Preschool Place/After Hours Book Club: Thursdays, 10:30-11:15 am. Stories and crafts for the under five crowd, followed by the “After Hours Book Club” for older participants. Stories and crafts.

After School Art: Tuesday, September 3, 4:00-4:45 pm. Elementary school level art project is fun for the whole family.

Homework Help: Wednesdays, 3:00-5:00 pm. Volunteers are available to help elementary age students with their homework.

East Branch

Bilingual Homework Help: Wednesdays, 4:00-6:00 pm. Bilingual homework help for kids in elementary and middle school.

Homework Help: Wednesdays, 4:00-6:00 pm. Bright Futures scholars are available to tutor elementary school children in various subjects.

Mother Goose on the Loose: Thursdays, 11:00-11:30 am. Infants and toddlers ages up to three years with their caregivers have rollicking fun with traditional nursery rhymes and songs in this multi-sensory early literacy program.

Boca Beth: Saturday, September 7, 2:00-3:00 pm. Fun, musical and interactive program featuring children’s recording artist and bilingual educator, Boca Beth. The Boca Beth program brings Spanish and English learning to life.

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Homework Help: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 3:00-5:00 pm. Get homework help from our teen volunteers.

LEGO Club: (Ages 5-12) Wednesday, September 4, 4:00 pm. Build with LEGOs.

Family Movie: (All ages) Sunday, September 8, 2:00 pm. See a new release DVD and enjoy some family time.

Night Owls Story Time: (All ages) Tuesday, September 10, 6:30 pm. Books, songs, literature-based video and a special craft.
Children’s Programs

Superstition: (Ages 5-12) Friday, September 13, 2:00 pm. Learn about superstitions, run an obstacle course, have a lucky snack, and make an unlucky craft. Registration required.

Book Buddies: (Ages 3-5) Friday, September 20, 10:30 am. We’re celebrating Bill Martin’s book *Chicka Chicka Boom Boom*.

Sunday Fun Days: (All ages) Sunday, September 22, 1:00-4:30 pm. Stop in the Youth Department for a special make & take craft.

Tricky Dogs: (All ages) Saturday, September 28, 2:00 pm. See the most talented puppies you’ll ever meet perform amazing tricks.

East Lake Community Library

Infant Massage & Yoga: Every Wednesday at 10:00 am. Learn calming massage and yoga techniques for your infant up to crawling age.

Read to Bailey! Wednesday, September 18, 4:00 pm, after Lego Club. Children can read to Bailey, a wonderful therapy dog who can help you improve your reading skills. Come join the Tail-Wagging Tutor!

Saturday Matinee: Donations are gratefully accepted. Call for details.

Lego Club: Wednesdays at 3:00 pm. For all ages! Join your friends and make new creations at this popular offering!

Teen Tutors: Free assistance with Math, English, and Reading! Call for times. Registration required.

Toddler Story Time: (Ages 3 & 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 Cheryl for a story and a craft.

Yoga Story Time: First Tuesday of the month, 11:00-12:00. A popular program at East Lake Community Library! Bring the whole family for a story time intertwined with fun and healthy yoga postures!

Gulf Beaches Public Library

Read 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Challenge! Get your packet of info and register now.

Baby & Me Storytime: (Ages 2 & under) Wednesdays, 10:30 am. Short stories, puppets, songs and fingerplays followed by some baby play & good times.

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

Early Readers Library Time: (Ages 3-7) Fridays, 4:30-5:00 pm. New books, favorite books, and who knows what else?

Paws for Books: Our adorable pet therapy dogs put in an appearance. Call for information.

Gulfport Public Library

Storytime: Thursdays, 10:30-11:00 am. Join Cailey every Thursday morning for stories & activities selected for toddlers & preschoolers. Sing songs, play instruments and meet other caregivers in the community.

In Our Own Words, Book Writing Contest: Saturdays, starting on September 14, 11:00 am-1:00 pm. Participate in workshops and learn how to create a book. The winning book to be published by Trace Taylor Books!

Largo Public Library

Pup Pals Reading Dogs: Saturday, September 28, 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Improve your reading skills and make a new furry friend by reading to therapy-trained dogs. Register in the Children’s Department.

Character Bingo: Thursday, September 5, 4:00 pm. Learn about historical figures, famous people, or book characters in this program that combines interesting stories and trivia with a bingo game of the same theme.

Library Legos: (Ages 5-12) Saturdays, 2:00-4:00pm. Whether you are new to LEGOs or have been building for years, the Largo Public Library has a program for you! Challenge yourself to create a new LEGO masterpiece every week this summer. All materials are provided.

Sunset Stories: Mondays, September 9, 16, 23, 30, 6:00 pm. Relax and enjoy tales and activities. Join us at this story experience for the whole family!

Pre-K Hooya: (Ages 3-5) Thursdays, 1:00 pm. Enjoy themed stories, songs, and more in this program designed to help prepare your child to attend school.

Wobbly Walkers: Wednesdays, 9:00 am. Join us for stories, fingerplays, music, and movement activities. For walking children ages 12 to 18 months with an adult helper.

Toddler Tales: (18-36 mos) Wednesdays, 10:30 am. This program includes themed stories, music, and extended story activities that encourage early literacy.

First Steps: Thursdays, 10:30 am. Join us in this lap-sit program for an introduction to stories, songs, and fingerplays. For babies who are not yet walking and their parents/caregivers. We recommend one baby per lap.

Oldsmar Public Library

Toddler Time: (18 mos-3 yrs) Mondays & Tuesdays, 10:00 am. Program includes short stories, songs and activities to encourage early literacy and lasts about ½ hour.

Preschool Storytime: (Ages 3-5) Thursdays, 10:00 am. Program includes stories and a simple craft and lasts about ½ hour. 

LEGO Club: (All ages) Friday, September 13, 2:00-4:00 pm. Get creative with our DUPLO & LEGO blocks – kids of all ages are encouraged to stop by & play. Program sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Netsmartz – Internet Safety Program: (Grades K-12) Complete the Netsmartz Internet Safety program at the library and receive a free kid’s meal at Pollo Tropical.

Palm Harbor Public Library

Mother Goose Rhyme Time: (Ages 2 & under) Wednesdays, 10:00 am. Join Miss Chris for your child’s FIRST story time with nursery rhymes, songs and fingerplays!

Toddler Tales: (18 mos-3 yrs) Mondays, 10:00 am. Stories, rhymes, songs and interactive fun for toddlers.

Leap Into Art At Leepa-Rattner-Chinese Art in Folktales: Thursday, September 12, 4:30 pm. Art-themed story times followed by a related craft activity at the Leepa-Rattner Museum located on Tarpon Springs campus of St. Petersburg College. Admission free for children and museum members. ($6.00 for others)

Starbucks Story Time: (All ages) Tuesday, September 10, 10:30 am. Take a coffee break and meet us at Starbucks in Palm Harbor (US19N and Nebraska Avenue) for a “latex” yummy stories. All ages invited.

National Read a Book Day Celebration: (Ages 3 & up) Friday, September 6, 3:30-4:30 pm. Join us as we celebrate with grandparent-themed stories and activities.

Snips and Scraps Scrapbooking: (Ages 8-15, kids only, please!) Tuesday, September 3, 17, & 24, 5:00-6:30 pm. Bring your photos ticket stubs, any special mementos and join us for scrapbooking fun! Registration required.

American Girls-Meet Josefina: (Ages 7-12) Saturday, September 28, 10:30 am. Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with crafts and games from the old southwest. Registration required.

Pinellas Park Public Library

Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays, 10:00-10:30 am. Program may include stories, rhymes, finger plays and crafts.

Mother Goose: (Ages 3 & under) Tuesdays, 10:45-11:05 am. Program may include rhymes, finger plays, stories and songs.

Mother Goose: (Ages 3 & under) Wednesdays, 10:30-10:50 am. Program may include rhymes, finger plays, stories and songs.

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 Pajama Party.

Tail Waggin’ Tutors: 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month, 3:00-5:00 pm. 15-minute scheduled sessions that allow children to read aloud to a therapy dog. Call for more information and registration.

Origami Workshop: Tuesday, September 10, 6:30 pm. Learn the art of paper folding. Paper is provided. Registration required.

Lego Club: 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month from 3:00-4:00 pm. Join us for a Lego building adventure; Legos are provided.

Safety Harbor Public Library

Preschool Story Time: (Ages 2-6) Wednesdays, September 11, 18, & 25, 10:30-11:15 am. Read stories, sing songs, do a craft, and participate in other fun literacy activities.

Wee Sing: (Ages 1-5) Tuesdays, September 10, 17, & 24, 10:00-10:45 am. Learn familiar songs with a twist! This program incorporates foreign and sign language, music sticks, and more for an interactive, musical learning experience. Registration required.

Baby & Me: (18 mos & under) Fridays, September 13, 20, & 27, 10:00-10:30 am. Enjoy special time with your baby while you listen to stories, sing songs, and learn fingerplays followed by a play session.

Toddler Time: (19 mos-3 yrs) Mondays, September 9, 16, & 23, 30, 10:30-11:15 am. Bring your young one to the library to listen to stories, sing songs, dance, and do fingerplays.

Kids Yoga & Story Time: (Ages 3-10) Friday, September 13, 4:00 pm. Enjoy a fun total mind and body workout with basic yoga, games, and interactive stories for children. Don’t forget stretchy clothes and a mat if you have one! Registration required.

Children’s Movie: Wednesday, September 11, 3:30 pm. Watch a movie at the library! Come see the story of a town where food falls from the sky like rain. Please call the library for more information.
Children’s Programs

Wii Wednesday @ the Library: (Ages 5-12) Wednesday, September 18, 3:30-4:30 pm. Join your friends for fun Wii Games. Enjoy the following games: Just Dance, Wii Resort Sports, Mario Kart, Boom Blox, Dance Party, or bring your own!

Family Yoga: (All ages) Friday, September 20, 4:00 pm. Enjoy a yoga class designed for the entire family: kids, moms, dads, & grandparents! We all know that yoga is good for you! Practicing yoga along with your family & children creates a special bond. Yoga can also enhance flexibility, strength, coordination, & concentration. Don’t forget stretchy clothes and a mat if you have one! Registration required.

Tail-Waggin’ Tutors—A Dog is a READER’S BEST Friend: Tuesday, September 17, 4:30-5:30 pm and Friday, September 20, 3:30-4:30 pm. Is your child nervous about reading? Tail-Waggin’ Tutors may be the perfect answer. These dogs are specially trained to listen patiently while a child practices reading and gains more confidence.

Fall Door Décor Craft: (Ages 5-12) Tuesday, September 17, 3:30 pm. Come celebrate the start of fall by making door decorations! Registration required.

LEGO League: (Ages 4 & up) Wednesday, September 25, 3:00-4:30 pm and every Saturday, 3:00-4:30 pm. Bring your friends and join us for creative building with LEGOS.

Homework Help! (Grades 2-8) Mondays & Thursdays, 4:00-6:00 pm. Bright Futures Scholarship students will be at the library to tutor and assist students who are struggling with their homework. Sign up at the Children’s Reference desk when you get here. First come, first served; no reservations. Tutors will be here when school is in session, but not during school breaks/vacations.

Starlight Puppet Show: Tuesday, September 24, 7:00 pm. Come in your pajamas and snuggle down with your favorite blanket or stuffed animal for 30 minutes of sleepy-time stories.

Wee Discoveries: (Ages 2-6) Thursday, September 12, 11:15-12:15 pm. Come play with age-appropriate discovery stations designed to encourage creativity in learning with STEM goals in mind. Adult participation required.


Yuck @ the Library: (All ages) Friday, September 27, 4:00 pm. Observe and assist in conducting messy science experiments while learning scientific concepts such as viscosity, nucleation, and non-Newtonian fluids. Space is limited so please call to register.

St. Pete Beach Public Library

Mother Goose Story Time: (Ages 3 & under) Thursdays, 11:00 am. I Want To be a Skeeter Reader: Thursdays, 4:00 pm. Son of Tucker takes over as the reading therapy dog.

St. Petersburg Public Library System

Main Library

After School Story Time: (Ages 5-10) Tuesdays, 4:00 pm. Stories, music & craft.

Family Story Time: (All ages) Thursdays, 6:30 pm. Stories, Music & Crafts.

Humpy Dumpty Story Time: (18 mos & under) Thursdays, 10:15 & 11:00 am. Come join us for movement, music & fun with rhymes and puppets.

Mother Goose Story Time: (Ages 3 & under) Thursdays, 3:00 pm & Fridays, 10:15 & 11:00 am. Songs, puppets & finger plays.

Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Wednesdays, 10:15 am & Fridays, 2:00 pm. Music, dancing & rhythm instruments.

Roll Over & Read: Monday, September 9, 3:30-4:30 pm. Reduce anxiety & build reading skills by reading to a trained therapy dog. Call to register for a session.

Super Saturday Puppet Show: (All ages) Saturday, September 14, 11:00 am. Childs Park Branch

After School Story Time: (Ages 5-10) Fridays, 4:30 pm. Stories, participation activities & music.

Johnson Branch

Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays, 10:15 am. Stories & songs.

Miramar Lake Branch

Mother Goose: (Ages 3 & under) Mondays, 11:00 am. Songs, puppets, & finger plays.

Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Mondays, 10:15 am. Stories & songs.

North Branch

Family Story Time: Tuesdays, 6:30 pm. Stories, Music & Crafts.

Mother Goose: (Ages 3 & under) Wednesdays, 10:15 am. Songs, puppets, & finger plays.

Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Wednesdays, 11:00 am. Stories & songs.

Puppet Show: (All ages) Saturday, September 21, 3:00 pm.

Super Heroes Book Bash: (All ages) Saturday, September 28, 11:00 am. Calling all Super Heroes! Join us for a morning of exciting Super Hero adventures. Battle the forces of evil & enjoy games, crafts & prizes.

South Branch

Mother Goose: (Ages 3 & under) Thursdays, 10:15 am. Songs, puppets & finger plays.

Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Thursdays, 11:00 am. Stories & songs.

Roll Over & Read: Friday, September 6, 3:30-4:30 pm. Reduce anxiety & build reading skills by reading to a trained therapy dog. Call to register for a session.

Superstar Readers Book Club: (Ages 8-12) Tuesday, September 10, 4:30 pm. The Little House in the Big Woods by Laura Ingalls Wilder.

West Community

After School Story Time: (Ages 6-12) Thursday, September 5, 3:30 pm. Stories & Crafts based around back to school theme.

Mother Goose: (Ages 3 & under) Tuesdays, 9:30 am. Songs, puppets, finger-plays.

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

Seminole Community Library

Homeschool Humanities Club (PK-5th grade) Monday, September 16, 10:00-11:30 am. Join area homeschooling families for story time, discussion and additional activities relating to literature, music and art. Call for further information on specific topics to be studied.

Two Towers Chess Club: (All ages) Monday, September 9 & 23, 3:30-5:30 pm. All skill levels welcome.

Toddler Story Time: (18-36 mos) Tuesday, 10:30 am. 20 minutes of short stories, songs and movement activities based on a weekly theme for toddlers and their caregivers.

Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays, 11:30 am. 30 minutes of short stories, songs and movement activities based on a weekly theme for preschoolers and their caregivers.

Word Warriors Book Club: (Grades 3-5) Tuesday, September 3, 6:30-7:30 pm. Theme for September is Mysteries. On the first Tuesday of each month bring a book to share related to the theme of the month. Activities will include book talks, reader’s theatre, games and more. Help decide which Sunshine State books you would like included.

Baby Steps Story Time: (18 mos & under) Wednesdays, 10:00 am. A lap sit program featuring books, fingerplays, songs and a playtime.

LEGOs @ the Library: (All ages) Wednesday, September 11 & 25, 3:30-4:30 pm. Open to all elementary aged children, with a play area provided for younger siblings. LEGOs will be supplied, so bring your imagination and share your building ideas!

Pause for Poetry: (All ages) Wednesday, September 18, 7:00 pm. Enjoy a supportive atmosphere where lovers of poetry share their own poems and/or read favorite selections.

Wiggle, Giggle and Sing! (Ages 5 & under) Thursdays, 10:30 am. Shake a parachute, toss a bean bag, and other “wiggly, giggly” musical activities.

Twee Thursday: (Grades 5-7) Thursday, September 5, 7:00-8:00 pm. Join your peers for friendship and fun! Play board games and the Wii. Enjoy crafts, snacks and chitchat! Bring a friend and enjoy making new ones.

Family Movie Matinee: (All ages) Saturdays, 2:00 pm. Free popcorn and soda provided by The Friends of the Library! Call for titles and more information.

Tarpon Springs Public Library

Preschool Story Time: (Ages 3-5) Thursdays, 10:15 am. Themed story time with finger plays, books, music and puppet show followed by a craft.

Toddler Time: (Ages 1-3) Fridays, 10:15 or 11:00 am. Early literacy fun with music, stories, finger plays and activities. Registration required.

Craft Club: (Ages 6-12) Friday, September 6, 4:30-5:30 pm. Join us to make a one-of-a-kind masterpiece. Registration required.

Family Movie: (All ages) Friday, September 13, 3:00 pm. No school today—spend the afternoon watching a current release family movie. Call the Library for movie title.

Wee Sing with Mrs. Music: (Preschool Ages) Monday, September 16, 10:30 am. Join us for a preschool singing program. Have fun learning colors, numbers, letters, sign language and Spanish. No registration required.

“Talk Like a Pirate Day” Party: (Preschool & up) Wednesday, September 18, 3:00 pm. Join us to celebrate International Talk Like a Pirate Day with stories, games, a craft and refreshments. Aarrrgh!
Book Discussions

Clearwater Public Library System
Main Library
Circulo de Lectura: Wednesday, September 25, 1:00-2:30 pm. Spanish language book discussion group. Call for more information and book discussion titles.

Beach Branch
The Book Group @ Countryside: Thursday, September 19, 2:30-3:30 pm. Join us for this month’s interesting read, The Art of Racing in the Rain by Garth Stein.

East Branch
Mystery Readers Club: Tuesday, September 17, 12:00-2:00 pm. Lively discussion on books covering the theme for the month.

Dunedin Public Library
Contemporary Books Discussion Group:
Tuesday, September 17, 6:00 pm. Lively discussion on books covering the theme for the month.

East Lake Community Library
Book Club: The first Wednesday of every month from 6:30-7:45 pm. This month’s selection will be An Invisible Thread by Laura Schroff. This book is the heartwarming and inspiring memoir of Ms. Schroff’s deeply touching encounter with an 11-year old homeless boy in New York City and how they forged a mother-son bond. Come and join in our lively discussion.

Gulf Beaches Public Library
Chatterbooks: Tuesday, September 17, 10:30 am. Never Let Me Go by Kazuo Ishiguro.

Gulfport Public Library
Coffee/Talk Book Club: Thursday, September 19, 11:00 am. Discussion with coffee & light refreshments. Stop by the Circulation Desk for title and to pick up a copy. Sponsored by the Circle of Friends of Gulfport Library.

Largo Public Library
Last Word Book Discussion Group: Wednesday, September 4, 6:00 pm. The Buddha in the Attic by Julie Otsuka.

Oldsmar Public Library
Books and Brews: (Ages 21 & up) Tuesday, September 3, 6:30 pm at the Oldsmar Tap House, 300 State Street East. Major Pettigrew’s Last Stand by Helen Simonson.

Palm Harbor Public Library
Phil’s Book Club: Monday, September 9, 11:00 am or Tuesday, September 10, 7:00 pm. Library Director Gene Coppola leads this lively book discussion group. Catherine the Great by Robert Massie.

Pinellas Park Public Library
Book Discussion: Thursday, September 19, at 2:00 pm. Shanghai Girls, by Lisa See.

Safety Harbor Public Library
Words & Wine Book Club: Monday, September 16, 6:30 pm. Join us for our book club held at Whistle Stop Bar and Grill, 915 Main Street. September’s title is The No. 1 Ladies’ Detective Agency by Alexander McCall Smith. Limited copies of the books are available at the library.

St. Pete Beach Public Library
Book Discussion Group: Tuesday, September 17, 10:30 am. A Certain Justice by P.D. James.

Book Discussion Group Film: Tuesday, September 24, 10:30 am. A Certain Justice.

St. Petersburg Public Library System
Main Library
Murder by the Book Mystery Book Club: Thursday, September 5, 6:30 pm. Murder in the Palace Royal by Cara Black.

Mirror Lake Branch
Classics Up Close: Tuesday, September 24, 2:00 pm. Call 822-4969 for information about this month’s selection.

Speculative Fiction Book Club: Saturday, September 21, 2:00 pm. Call branch for more information & registration.

North Branch
Thursday Morning Group: Thursday, September 5, 11:00 am. Call or check online for latest title.

The Real Deal: Thursday, September 26, 6:30 pm. Call or check online for latest title.

Carl G. Jung Society Reading Group: Saturday, September 14, 10:00 am.

South Branch
Book Club: Wednesday, September 11, 2:00 pm. Call or check online for latest title.

Mahogany Book Club: Saturday, September 21, 10:00 am. Call or check online for latest title.

Seminole Community Library
Backward Travelers Historical Fiction Book Discussion: Tuesday, September 17, 2:00 pm. City of Thieves by David Benioff.

Book Buzz: Tuesday, September 3, 2:00 pm. Check out the library’s newest program! Drop by and enjoy chatting with other readers about your favorite books, plus hear the latest ‘buzz’ about what’s new at the library.

Booktalkers: Wednesday, September 4, 2:00 pm. Devil in the White City by Eric Larson.

Great Books: Wednesday, September 18, 2:00 pm. Of Friendship and Of Solitude by Montaigne.

Super Novels: Thursday, September 26, 2:00 pm. Tobacco Road by Erskine Caldwell.

Tarpon Springs Public Library
Expand Your Horizons Book Club: Wednesday, September 11, 3:30 pm. Anyone is welcome! September’s book will be Woman who Can’t Forget: A Memoir by Jill Price.

Neverland Book Club: Tuesday, September 17, 6:30 pm. For teens and adults who enjoy reading Young Adult literature. Light refreshments will be served. The book choice for September is The Other Normal by Ned Vizzini.

Mystery, Murder and Mayhem Book Club: Wednesday, September 18, 7:00 pm. The book choice for September is The Merlot Murders by Ellen Crosby. Light refreshments will be served.

Books and Beyond Book Club: Thursday, September 26, 3:00 pm. Fall of Giants by Ken Follett. If you are interested in joining, please call Sherri Patterson at (727) 934-5926.

LIbrARY closINGS for SEPTEMBER 2013

Library closings for the month of September
are as follows:

September 2
All libraries closed.