

Tidings



Friends
of the
St. Pete Beach
Library



Summer/Fall 2014

News for Patrons of the St. Pete Beach Library

Come to the Annual Meeting in October!

You are cordially invited to attend the upcoming annual meeting of the Friends of the St. Pete Beach Library on Wednesday, October 22nd from 6:00 to 7:30 P.M.

Please join us as we celebrate 46 years of the Friends organization with refreshments and an overview of the group's activities and accomplishments during the past year.

Our Library Administrator, Phyllis Ruscella, will give us the latest available infor-

mation regarding the city's progress in determining the library's final site.

Even if you're not a member of the Friends, we'd love to have you join us! You may find that you'd like to become part of our effort to support our local library (We're also a pretty nice group of folks, as well!).



Get Ready for our Fall Gift Basket Auction!

Starting October 20th, you'll have the chance to participate in the next gift basket fundraiser by placing a bid to win one (or more, if you so choose) of the 14 beautiful baskets presented. The last day for bids will be Nov. 22nd.

These auctions have been successful fund-raisers each time they have been offered, are a wonderful way to contribute to the library, and always provide beautiful and interesting gift baskets for family or friends (it's OK to give one to yourself, too!).

This year, our basket themes will be as follows:

- A Basket of Rumpole (British thrillers)
- For Ladies Only (On the Distaff Side)
- Breads and Soups (Enjoy Light Meals)

- International Cuisine (Gourmet Wishes)
- Aviation (Would-Be Aces)
- The Civil War (History Buffs)
- Cats and Dogs (Pet Lovers)
- Christmas Tales (Celebrate the Season)
- Chanukkah (Celebrate the Season)
- Hiaasen's Florida (Florida Eccentrics)
- World War II (More History Buffs)
- The Art of Gambling (Set a Limit!)
- Yankees Baseball (I Love New York)
- World War II Pacific (Buffs Galore)
- Famous Baseball Players (Babe Ruth Lived Here)





Phyllis's Space - Library Administrator's Report

Once again, our **Summer Programs** were a great success with fifty-four children of varying ages participating in the activities offered. The summer reading program provided participants the opportunity to keep up their reading skills while school was out, as well as earning prizes for reading accomplishments, including tickets to one of the Rays' games.



Mother Goose Storytime regulars were joined by the visiting grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and cousins of local residents. Our Librarian, Maryjane Hyatt, led weekly activities for "campers" at the SPB Rec Center.

A special treat to round out the summer was a visit from **Tony the Balloon Guy**, who entertained the group with his fabulous shapes made entirely of balloons. The Friends were pleased to underwrite his visit.

I invite you to join our **Adult Book Discussion Group**, which always has an interesting line-up of titles to enjoy, along with corresponding films, when available. Participating in a book club is a wonderful way to share insights into writing styles, characters, and themes. Give it a try, even if you can't join in every book event!

Our tri-fold of **Fall Programming** is now available. Stop by the library to pick one up. There will be a SHINE program on Medicare, continuation of our iPad users classes, e-reader forums, and in early December, we'll have a celebration in honor of **National Cookie Week**, just in time to provide holiday baking ideas!



It remains uncertain where the "under construction" signs for the library will be. The city has contracted with FleischmanGarcia Architecture to complete a feasibility study of the current City Hall building to see if it is feasible and

cost-effective to repurpose it as a library.

The interim City Manager and I met with the architects to review the current library's collections and services and to discuss how a 2-story configuration might work. Additional meetings will precede the final report, which is to include drawings of possible layouts of both floors and estimates of projected costs.

A follow-up study will then be done of the former Police Station to assess whether it can be repurposed for City Administration. The City Commission will then consider the information in both studies and make a decision on how to move forward with plans for a "new" library.

Optimistically, a course of action will be determined and shared with city residents by the end of the calendar year so that work can begin in 2015. Once there is certainty about the library's location, the Reimagine Renovation Campaign will be revitalized to raise funds for the project.



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Tidings is published quarterly by the Friends of the St. Pete Beach Library to provide the community with news about the library's activities. New members are always welcome. To join and support your library, please use the form on the back of this newsletter.

Bidding a Fond Farewell to Patty Newark



President Muriel Desloovere presents a certificate of appreciation to Patty Newark while husband John Newark looks on.



At our June meeting, tribute was paid to Patty Newark for her long service to the Friends. Due to ill health, Patty has resigned from the Board. She most recently served as Membership Chair, but was also the longest serving member of the Friends Board.

Patty was presented with a certificate of appreciation designed by Board Member Steve Traiman and signed by each serving Board Member. She also received a gift certificate to Publix and was treated, along with the entire Board, to cookies, cupcakes, and champagne.

ALL THE BEST TO YOU PATTY FROM YOUR "FRIENDS" AT SPBL!



****HELP US KEEP OUR MEMBERSHIP LIST UP TO DATE****

If you are a Friends member with a new address, phone, or e-mail, give us your updated information via the Friends' phone or e-mail on the back page. Thanks!

Photos from our Summer Programs



October 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Hours: Monday & Wednesday 10:00 am—8:00 pm	Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday 10:00 am—6:00 pm	Saturday 10:00 am—2:00 pm Sunday Closed	1 3:00 pm iPad app of the month	2 11:00 am Mother Goose Time	3 11:00 am eReader Forum Yom Kippur	4
5	6 10:30 am S.H.I.N.E. Medicare Advantage Plans	7 10:30 am I Just Got My iPad, Now What?	8	9 11:00 am Mother Goose Time 4:00 pm Skeeter Reader	10 10:30 am eBooks for iPad 	11
12 TEEN READ WEEK Turn Dreams into Reality @ your library Theme	13 Teen Bulletin Board filled with Book Reviews by local teens	14	15 10:30 am I Just Got My iPad, Now What? 	16 11:00 am Mother Goose Time 4:00 pm Skeeter Reader	17 11:00 am eReader Forum 	18
19 	20 Friends of the Library Holiday Basket Fundraiser Display begins	21 10:30 am Book Discussion Cleopatra: A Life by Stacey Schiff	22 6:00 pm Friends of the Library Annual Meeting & 55th Anniversary Celebration	23 4:00 pm Skeeter Reader	24 	25
26	27 10:30 am S.H.I.N.E. Medicare Part "D" Drug Plans	28 10:30 am Book Discussion Film Cleopatra	29	30 11:00 am Mother Goose Time 4:00 pm Skeeter Reader	31 4:00 pm Halloween Parade, stories, & activities 	Display Theme : Baseball

November 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Hours: Monday & Wednesday 10:00 am—8:00 pm	Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday 10:00 am—6:00 pm	Saturday 10:00 am—2:00 pm Sunday Closed				1
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16	17 	18 10:30 am Book Discussion <u>Sons & Lovers</u> by D. H. Lawrence	19 	20 11:00 am Mother Goose Time 4:00 pm Skeeter Reader	21 11:00 am eReader Forum	22
23 	24 2:00 pm Ashly, the Bee Lady <i>No school all week</i>	25 10:30 am Book Discussion Film <i>Same title as above</i>	26	27 Closed Thanks	28 Closed giving	29 Closed Holiday
30	Display Theme : Military					

December 2014

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<p>Display Theme: Cookies</p> 		<p>3:30 pm iPAD App of the Month 6:30 pm Janet Keeler's Cookie-licious</p>	<p>4:00 am Mother Goose Time 4:00 pm Skeeter Reader</p>	<p>5:00 am eReader Forum</p>	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
		<p>10:30 am Book Discussion <u>Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde</u> by Robert L. Stevenson</p>	<p>10:30 am I Just Got My iPad, Now What?</p>	<p>11:00 am Mother Goose Time 4:00 pm Skeeter Reader</p>	<p>10:30 am eBooks for iPad</p> 	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
		<p>10:30 am Book Discussion Film Same title as above Hanukkah begins</p>	<p>It's Story Time @your library</p> 	<p>11:00 am Mother Goose Time 4:00 pm Skeeter Reader</p>	<p>11:00 am eReader Forum</p> 	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	<p>No school all week</p>			<p>Closed for Christmas</p>		
28	29	30	31	Hours:	Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday	Saturday & Sunday
	<p>2:00 pm Scrapbook Your Holiday No school all week</p>			<p>Monday & Wednesday 10:00 am—8:00 pm</p>	<p>10:00 am—6:00 pm</p>	<p>10:00 am—2:00 pm Sunday Closed</p>

Mail completed form and check to: Friends of the Library, P.O. Box 66557,
St. Pete Beach, FL 33736 or bring to the library during business hours.



2014 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

_____ new _____ renewal

Name(s) _____ E-mail _____

Mailing Address _____

City/State _____ Zip _____

Phone (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Enclosed is my contribution of \$ _____
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