Hello, welcome to your July News!

Oh boy! We have so many exciting things to share with you this month! From **resuming our extended hours** to some **amazing new events**, we have something for everyone!

**What’s New at the Palm Harbor Library?**

Get your calendars out and mark the following dates.

You don’t want to miss these events!
Our library is hosting a **Telethon**

Saturday, November 13, 2021
9 AM to 10 PM on YouTube

It's Official!
A 13-hour live streamed event filled with comedy, music, arts, and raffles!
we have been working on a **HUGE** surprise and we’re finally ready to share it with you. On **Saturday, November 13th** our library will host a **Telethon**, a 13-hour live streamed event that will feature comedic staff antics, musical acts, children’s and adults’ story time, arts and craft tutorials, cooking segments, and so much more.

**Why a Telethon?**

We’re going for a retro, simpler times vibe, and what’s more vintage and heart-warming than a good ol’ fashioned Telethon? You may remember the original Jerry Lewis Labor Day Telethon. That’s the feeling we’re going for...and for a good cause. **This event is a fundraiser to ensure that we can continue to offer all of its highlighted segments.**

**How will the funds benefit the library AND the community?**

The Palm Harbor Library has been a staple of this community for over forty years. Through good times and bad (like the recent pandemic), we have continued to provide support, comfort and resources to our wonderful community in many ways, such as:

- Free wi-fi and materials of all types.
- Musical instruments for loan.
- Creative activities and crafts for adults and children.
- Children and Teen Events such as Anime Club, Book Clubs, Escape Rooms, Reading challenges, and more.
- Adaptive Toys for differently-abled kids and adults.
- Gardening Seeds Library.
- Loanable First Steps and STEAM Kits for kids.
- Free Streaming of music, movies, and e-books.
- Literacy assistance for English as a second language learners.
- A comprehensive Writing Program led by USF instructors.
- Genealogy Workshops.
- AND MORE!

So get ready for a wonderful event and spread the news!

**THANK YOU SPONSORS!**

A huge shoutout to the following local sponsors for supporting this event.

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Do you enjoy magical acts? If so, you don’t want to miss A Magical Evening. Hosted by the Palm Harbor Endowment Foundation, this virtual event will take place on Saturday, October 16 at 8 PM, and feature two great magicians, a virtual library tour, and a private silent auction. Ticket sales begin September 1, 2021. Stay tuned!
The Palm Harbor community is invited to come out and enjoy an afternoon of great food and fun at the "Feed the Foodies Truck Rally"!

Hosted in the Palm Harbor Library parking lot, a variety of vendors will be serving delicious food from pizza and burgers to nachos and ice cream. This event is hosted by the Palm Harbor Chamber of Commerce Foundation, a charitable and educational arm of the Greater Palm Harbor Area Chamber. This organization supports our educational community through scholarships and awards.

All proceeds will benefit the Chamber’s charitable efforts in our local community.
Beginning this **September** our library will resume **in-person events**. We will ease into it with limited spots available for each event and required registration. We'll see you there!

**Adult Crafts and Events**
We are excited to offer you a **Summer Writing Club** thanks to the support of the **Madeline Oliveri Writing Program**. To learn more about any of our writing events, you can sign up for our **Writers List**, the best way to receive all information pertinent to this program.

Currently we are offering a Summer Writing Club. Registration begins **July 1st** and the club will run on Wednesdays for 6 weeks, with the first virtual meet up starting on **Wednesday, July 14th**.

This Writing Club offers participants the chance to focus on writing projects by providing accountability, a writing community, and techniques for idea generation. Using the **Pomodoro Technique**, we will write during 15-minute quiet periods with 5-minute breaks (for short discussions) in between. An optional prompt will be given each week, but writing club is a time to explore your own work and creativity! Feel free to work on whatever you choose. Join us!

*We do not share our completed work in the writing club except for a few voluntary excerpts during break periods.*

**To register please visit [HERE](#).**
There is still time to sign up for our Summer Reading Clubs and Events! Sign up for clubs in person to receive your logs; for more info about kids’ events, please click HERE.
Make sure to participate in our Adult Summer Reading Scavenger Hunt this month! Pick up a form at either of the Info Desks. Good luck searching the Adult side of the library!
Feeling crafty this summer? Pick up a weekly **Take and Make @ Home** craft at our Info Desks.
Our **Pick-Up-A-Packet** folders are waiting for you! This month we cover the following countries: Ireland, India, Australia and Russia. Stop by the info desks to pick up yours!
Join Nan Colton, professional playwright, director, storyteller, actress and Literary and Performance Teaching Artist as she performs *Catherine the Great*. [REGISTER](#) with your email address to receive the Zoom link.

Monday
July 19
2 pm

A virtual performance of Catherine the Great
Join Kelly with Empath Health for a tough but very important conversation. Please register here to attend. This is a Zoom event, so be sure to sign up with your email address to be sent the link.

Children and Youth Events
Santa will be making a special appearance during the live-streamed telethon. **Do you want him to do a cool shoutout to your child?** If so, please fill out [this form](#). The first 50 submissions will be included in the stream. Santa will send a special customized message on **November 13th** during the Youtube stream.
Our **Take and Make** crafts are waiting for you! Stop by the **Children’s Room** to pick up a weekly kit.
Based on the series by Erin Hunter we invite you to **Warrior Cats RPG**. Test your mettle alongside fellow Warriors! You'll get a Warrior’s disguise, a Warrior’s identity, and prove yourself alongside your Clan members and rival members alike on a dangerous mission. Register for this event [HERE](#).
Join us for all things anime in this online meeting via Zoom. Check your e-mail or text messages if you’re already in Anime Club for the reminder or e-mail us at phlibanimeclub@gmail.com for the link if you’re new! **We will notify club members when craft/swag kits are available for pick-up before the event.**
Calling all Hogwarts students! You are invited to a VIRTUAL Harry Potter Birthday Bash. Please register here.
Join us for a teen trivia hour featuring animal (tails) and story (tales) questions running the gamut of "what species has the longest tails" to "how many languages has The Hunger Games been translated into?" There are laughs to be had and prizes to be won! Please register here.
New **YA Books** are getting added to our collection this month! Stop by to check them out.

**Book Clubs**

**PHIL'S BOOK CLUB**

*Before We Were Yours*  
by Lisa Wingate  

*1 New York Times Bestseller*  

Monday, July 12th  
11:00 AM EST  
"Before We Were Yours"  
by Lisa Wingate

Phil's Book Club will meet on zoom **Monday, July 12th at 11 AM EST**. Join us on Zoom by following the information below.

Join Zoom Meeting  
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8371...

**Meeting ID:** 837 1824 6318  
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Dial by your location  
+[1 301 715 8592] US (Washington DC)
This month join Gene for a discussion of "My Cousin Rachel"!

To join our Ales and Tales Book Club please refer to the log in information below.

Join Zoom Meeting
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81306034598

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Find your local number: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kbPjZ4wekJ

Do you love art, books, and community? The ABC Reading Club is now meeting in person again at Leepa-Rattner Museum. Make sure to join us for a great, insightful conversation about the book, "The Forest Lover".

Did you know?
We are excited to spotlight our youth library assistant Maria and congratulate her for receiving the **Rose Treviño Memorial Scholarship**, a scholarship for those pursuing a degree in children’s or young adult librarianship. **We are proud of you, Maria, and all of your hard work!**
Our library will be closed on July 5th. We wish you all a happy and safe Independence Day.
RESUMING OUR EXTENDED HOURS BEGINNING MONDAY, AUGUST 2ND.

MON-THU
10AM TO 8PM
FRI-SAT
10AM TO 5PM
SUNDAY
CLOSED

We're returning to full operational hours! Please note the Drive Through Pick Up hours will remain the same and as follows:

Monday – Thursday 10 am to 5:30 pm, Friday and Saturday 10 am to 4:30 pm and CLOSED on Sundays.
SHINE volunteers will be resuming in-person counseling starting September 7th. Medicare's Open Enrollment Period is from October 15 to December 7.

To make an appointment please call 727-784-3332.

Get to know us!
Director's Column
"No, it’s not the type you had in high school or college but they could be as memorable.

The library annually celebrates all kinds of events throughout the year such as Black History Month in February, Women’s History Month in March, National Library Week in April and National Library Card Sign-up Month in September. This year though we are adding a few special dates just for 2021. These are one of a kind that makes them just a bit more unique. So, let’s see what’s coming up this summer into fall..." KEEP READING HERE.
Make sure to follow us on Facebook, Instagram, Pinterest, Twitter, TikTok and YouTube.
Our Children’s Department has a Facebook page too! Follow us [HERE](#).

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