



**December 2021**



**Hello , welcome to your December news.** We're getting in the holiday spirit here at the Palm Harbor Library. So grab some hot cocoa, get cozy, and see what's up ahead. But before that...a special...

**THANK YOU!**

Thanks to all of our sponsors and donors, our November's Telethon Fundraiser raised **\$12,800!** We're incredibly thankful for everyone's support and want you to know that every penny is put towards the cost of running our library.



**\$12,800.88  
RAISED!**

Did you watch our live stream? If not, it's available [here](#) on our YouTube channel. It is a twelve hour video you can watch at your convenience (and there are a few pie-in-the-face moments you don't want to miss!)

**What's new at PHL?**



## YOUR NEW AND IMPROVED LIBRARY



We thank you for being patient as we closed down the library the week of November 8th. We promise it was for a good reason! If you haven't visited us in the last couple of weeks, make sure to stop in and check out our new upgrades. We now have installed **canopies** over the **main entrance area**, as well as over our **drive-thru**. That'll keep you dry during inclement weather, and cool during those sweltering summer months!

We've also spruced up the **Children's Room** with some new, brighter paint. Our **main library floor** has also received a make-over. Have a look at our beautiful **new flooring**.

Last but not least, our **road sign** is back, better than ever! Make sure to keep an eye on it as we continue to announce all the wonderful events happening at our library and in the community.



# "PAINTING WITH A PURPOSE" FUNDRAISER



ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5TH  
AT 4 PM JOIN US AT

PAINTING WITH A  
*Twist*

TO MAKE THIS BEAUTIFUL  
"MAGICAL WINTER" PAINTING!  
THE PALM HARBOR LIBRARY  
RECEIVES HALF OF  
THE PROCEEDS!



**Want to make some magical art for the holiday season?** Meet us at Painting With a Twist on **Sunday, December 5th** and paint "Magical Winter." **Painting With A Purpose** is a fundraising event to help local non-profits raise funds. The studio will split the earnings with our organization 50/50. Please consider joining us!

The studio is located at 1570 N McMullen Booth Rd, Unit H2 Clearwater, FL 33759 in the Bay Bridge Shopping Center. To sign up please visit [here](#).



# FLORIDA FANFARE BRASS

## Concert

REGISTRATION  
REQUIRED



**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11**  
**2:00 PM**

What better way to get you in the holiday spirit than enjoying a special concert? **Florida Fanfare Brass** performs music written specifically for brass quintet. Their repertoire includes classical music, popular show tunes, marches, and a holiday program in addition to Ragtime and Dixieland. They are sure to entertain and surprise you. Please note registration for this event is required. No walk ins will be accepted on that day. You can register on our [calendar of events](#).

This performance is sponsored by [Friends of the Library](#). Check them out online and become a "friend" today!



Speaking of community events...we hope you can join us on **Friday, December 3rd** at the **Annual Christmas Tree Lighting** held by CSA Palm Harbor. We look forward to being there and seeing all of you!

# *Library's Holiday Hours*

Thursday, 12/23: 10 am to 6 pm

Friday, 12/24 and Saturday, 12/25:

CLOSED

Saturday, 1/1/2022: CLOSED



Please take note of our holiday hours and closures.



# TRIVIA NIGHT



## "GUESS THAT SONG!"

@ THE PALM HARBOR LIBRARY

MUSIC AND TRIVIA  
EVENING  
WITH SONGS FROM THE  
60'S-2000'S.  
RESERVE YOUR SPOT!

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7,  
FROM 6-8PM

\$20 PER PERSON OR \$100 TO RESERVE  
A TABLE FOR 6 PEOPLE. ALL PROCEEDS  
BENEFIT THE PALM HARBOR LIBRARY.

Grab a loved one and join us for **Trivia Night, "Guess That Song!"** Show off your musical talent and identify songs from the 60's to 2000's! Tickets are only \$20 per person or you can reserve a table for \$100, which sits 6 people. To sign up stop in, call us, or sign up online.

## Adults' Events and Programs

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10, AT 10 AM; OR  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21 AT 5:30 PM  
PLEASE PICK ONLY ONE SESSION**



Want to make some sparkly and giftable art? Join us for our monthly craft session!

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28,  
AT 4 PM

# IT'S A MYSTERY BOOK TALK

DISCUSS BOOKS IN THIS GENRE AND  
DISCOVER NEW FAVORITE AUTHORS!



Do you enjoy reading cozy mysteries? Join our monthly **Mystery Book Talk** and get to know new authors and books in this genre.

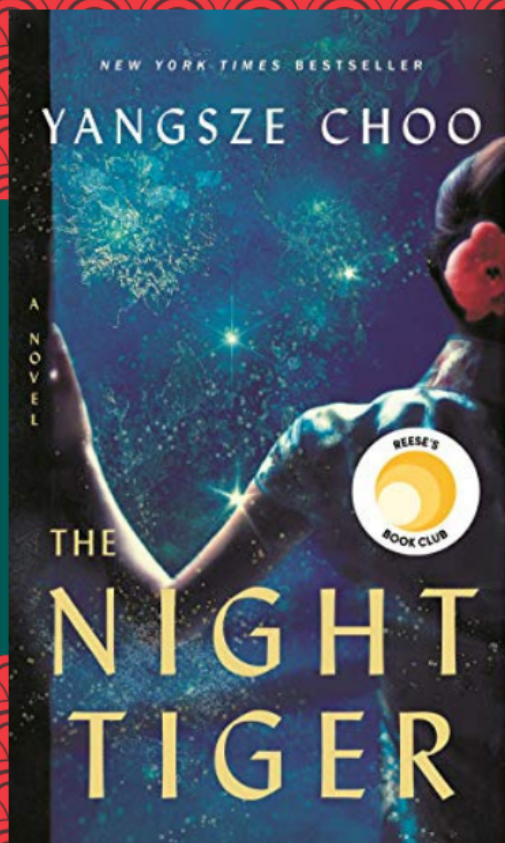


# PICK UP A PACKET



Need something fun to keep you busy? **Take home one of our monthly Pick Up A Packet** folders and get started on an activity.

## Book Clubs



## PHIL'S BOOK CLUB

**MONDAY,  
DECEMBER 13TH  
11 AM**

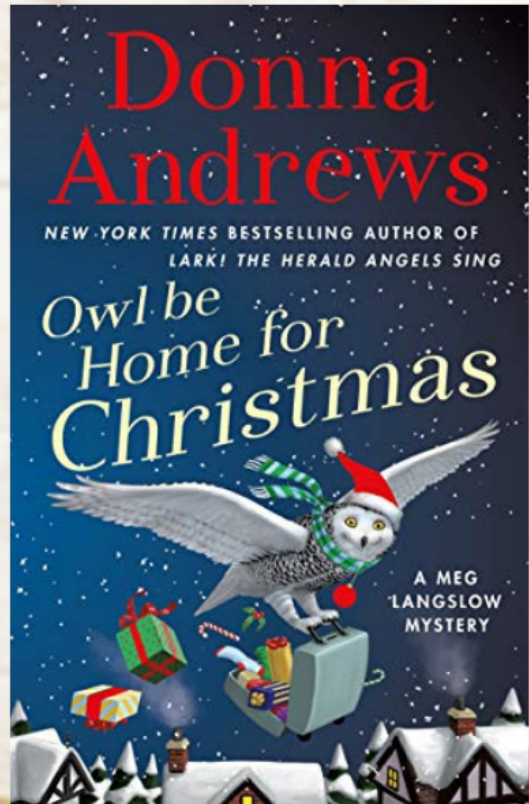
Join director Gene Coppola for our monthly book club meeting. Copies of this month's book are available at the front desk.

# ALES & TALES

**THURSDAY,  
DECEMBER 9**

**6 PM**

**AT STILT HOUSE  
BREWERY**



This month's Ales and Tales book club will be hosted by Maryjane. This is a hybrid event; participants can meet at Stilt House Brewery or connect via Zoom. The Zoom link is provided below. Copies of this month's book are available at the front desk.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84520301816>

Meeting ID: [845 2030 1816](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84520301816)

Passcode: 420590

## **Youth Events and Programs**



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2021  
4PM-6PM

# DRIVE THRU!



CRUISE ON THROUGH THE LIBRARY'S  
DRIVE-THRU WINDOW AND GET A  
SPECIAL TREAT BAG FROM SANTA.

Our **Drive-Thru Santa** was so popular last year so we are hosting it again! Swing by our Drive-thru window (located by our book drops) and get a special treat bag from Santa. There'll be some holiday music playing and Santa may even bring some of his elves!

# ***YOU'VE GOT SANTA MAIL***

***RECEIVE A MESSAGE DIRECTLY FROM SANTA CLAUS!***



Celebrate Christmas this year with a message directly from Santa Claus and make a memory that will last a lifetime! Register your family [here](#) and then fill out the For-Grownups-Eyes-Only [Questionnaire](#). Your child (ages 3 and up) will receive an emailed link to a special Santa story time and personalized video from the Big Guy himself.

PLEASE REGISTER ONE CHILD PER FAMILY ONLY (ADDITIONAL SIBLINGS CAN BE SUBMITTED THROUGH THE QUESTIONNAIRE). VIDEOS WILL BE EMAILED IN MID-DECEMBER.



## December's TAKE AND MAKES!

- DEC 6TH: *Wild Weather*
- DEC. 13TH: *Sweet Celebrations*
- DEC. 20TH: *Merry Christmas!*
- DEC. 27TH: *New Year's Wishes*

Stop by the Children's Room and pick up a weekly craft while supplies last. (We love to see your creations, so make sure to take a picture of your finished craft and tag us on [Facebook!](#) )

# BABY BOOKWORMS

\*REGISTRATION REQUIRED\*



AGES BIRTH TO 12 MONTHS  
THURSDAYS  
10:00 AM OR 11:30 AM

Caregivers and Infants 0-12 months are welcome to this interactive story time. **No session on 12/30.** We will enjoy a story, lap bounces, rhymes, and opportunities to share a love of books with your baby! To register please check our [Calendar of Events](#).





INFANTS -2 YRS

WEDNESDAYS  
10 AM  
REGISTRATION REQUIRED

# MOTHER GOOSE RHYME TIME

A weekly program for our youngest members filled with nursery rhymes, songs, and fingerplays. **No Sessions on 12/29.** To register please check our [Calendar of Events](#).

# TODDLER *story time*

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

AGES 18 MONTHS  
TO 3 YEARS

FRIDAYS  
(NO SESSION 12/24 AND 12/31)  
10 AM-10:30 AM  
OR  
11:30 AM-12:00 PM



Stories, songs, and fun in this interactive story time. To register please check our [Calendar of Events](#).



**COME JOIN US FOR...**  
**ANIME CLUB!**  
**MONTHLY MEET UPS**  
**DRAWING/WRITING PROMPTS**  
**GAMES**  
**CRAFT KITS**  
**...AND MUCH MORE!**



**Next meeting:**  
**DEC 29TH, 5-6PM**  
**THEME: SPORTS**

**EMAIL [PHLIBANIMECLUB@GMAIL.COM](mailto:PHLIBANIMECLUB@GMAIL.COM) OR ASK THE KIDS DESK TO SIGN UP!**

Join us for all things anime! This club meets once a month, so if you miss this month, try to catch them next month! (Ages 11-18)



# Beyond the Dragons

## A Tabletop RPG Club



A different game system each month and one-shot playing!

Characters will be built ahead of time and basic rules will be sent out at the same time.

If interested, you must register for each game individually at least eight days ahead of time so we can spend the week leading up getting prepared together!



Made possible by  
the Mazurek Family

Introducing a brand new teen program beginning January 2022. **Beyond the Dragons** is a Tabletop RPG Club. Each week, explore a new game. Registration is required and due at least 8 days prior to the session.

**This club is held once a month on Saturdays from 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm in our Mark Mazurek Gaming Area. The first session is on Saturday, January 8th. Please register [here](#).**



SATURDAY, DEC 18TH AT 2 PM

# Teen Book Club

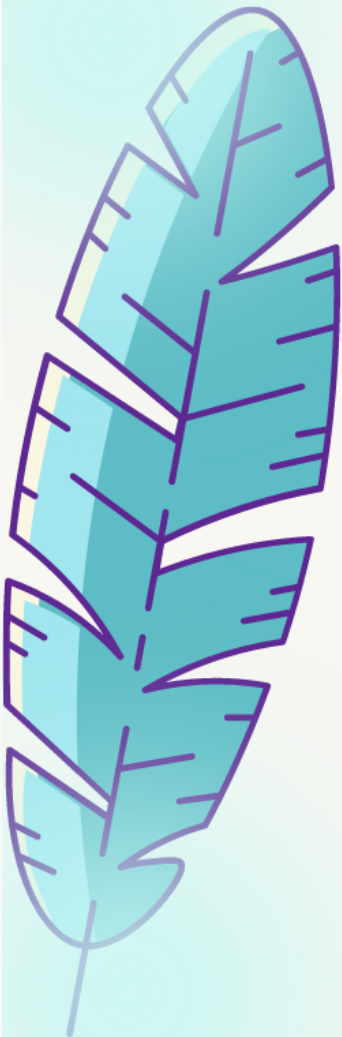


ENJOY FOOD AND  
DRINKS  
AS WE DISCUSS  
"THE SELECTION"  
BY KIERA CASS

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Join us for drinks, snacks, and a great discussion! To register visit our [Calendar of Events](#).

**Did you know?**



## More writing events ahead!

We've been so fortunate to establish the **Madeline Oliveri Writing Program** thanks to the support of the Oliveri family. This year we've brought creative enrichment to dozens of people in our community through fiction and nonfiction workshops, a Summer Writing Club, a Creative Writing STEAM kit for kids, a published [spooky Halloween anthology](#) penned by local kids and teens, and the opportunity to self publish through [Biblioboard](#).

Looking ahead, we plan to bring you more writing opportunities. The best way to know about upcoming writing events and programs, is to sign up for our [Writer's List](#). You will receive regular emails with information. A huge thank you to the Oliveri family for making all of this happen.



## *Holiday Romance*



Hundreds of titles to discover without using your monthly hoopla Instant borrows.

**Hoopla** lets you stream some feel-good holiday material (and more!). The best part is that it's a free service provided for library card holders. Give [Hoopla](https://www.hoopla.com/) a try!



# *Director's Column*

*Looking ahead at...*

2022



## **Director's Column**

"2021 may have been a bit rough for many of us and the light is still not appearing at the end of the tunnel, but based on what we're planning for 2022, I got high hopes (Pollyanna or not) things will get a bit better.

Your library kicks off the new year with FULL in-person programming which means, we're back to 2019! All bets are off, come on in, book your room, attend that program, get involved! And you can start doing that with two fundraisers in January. The first is...". Continue reading [HERE](#).

### **Stay Connected**

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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