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Hello -

We have made it to summer!! Cool off at the library with a season packed with events for ALL ages. Registration for summer reading clubs and events will start IN-PERSON on June 3rd at 10 AM here at the library (limited online spots available post in-person reg.) check below for more info. Remember, there are prizes and goodies for those who complete the clubs!

Have you see our Youth Department's [MakerSpace](#)?! We have received LOTS of requests for an Adult MakerSpace and starting in July we will start fundraising for one! This will be a space for adults to learn new crafting skills, make projects, and discover tools to take your DIY's to the next level. Currently, we are in the beginning of the planning process so be on the lookout for more info. To kick off the fundraising for this major project, we are having **Christmas in July** on Friday, July 28th from 5-7 PM. This will be an all ages event to have fun while raising funds! See more information on this event in the Featured Events section.

Check out our **FULL** calendar of events [here](#)

Be sure to follow our socials linked at the bottom of the newsletter for daily updates.

Featured Events



Our [Summer Registration Day](#) is finally here! Sign up for ALL AGES events begins in-person at 10 AM on Saturday, June 3rd. Unable to attend in-person? Visit our [online event calendar](#) but remember that spots are limited and opening at 10 AM. Check out our Youth Department's [video](#) for the Kids' Summer Events Preview!



Christmas in July is coming up on Friday, July 28th from 5-7 PM! Join us to raise funds for the new Adult MakerSpace we plan to create!

This year will be Victorian Era themed and have activities and crafts for all ages, special guests, live music, vendors, Ye Olde St. Nick and friends, holiday cocktails, and more jolly fun! There will even be a visit from our favorite local brewery, [Stilt House](#)!

[Tickets are on sale now](#) and all proceeds go to improving your favorite library! Adults are \$20 and children under 12 are \$5.

See and share the FB event page [here](#). Sponsors and special updates will show up there as well.

Being in an incorporated town means we can do more for you! This also means we rely on and deeply appreciate your donations. Every donation has contributed to our goal of supporting our community.

Interested in being a sponsor? Click onto the [event page](#) to find the form in the FAQ's or come on in and we can provide you with one!

Thank you and see you there!

PHL'S RAINBOW ROOM

JUNE 21ST  **AT 3:30 PM**

Snacks, crafts, and just plain hanging out!

OUR RAINBOW ROOM IS DIVIDED INTO TWO ROOMS - ONE FOR 11-18 YEAR-OLDS & ONE FOR ADULTS.

Join us for an inclusive and fun hangout for folks in the LGBTQIA+ community and their allies! We'll have snacks, crafts, and just plain hanging out. You can also see our latest book display for pride during the month of June.

Our Rainbow Room is divided into two rooms - one for 11-18 year-olds and one for adults. No registration!

Movie Events at PHL!

ALL AGES!

Pizza and a Movie

Monday, 6/26 starting at 4:30 PM

Registration is required

Mystery Science Film Club

Saturday, 6/10 starting at 2 PM

Registration is required

Saturday Morning Cartoons

Saturday, 6/10 starting at 11 AM

No registration is required

Adults!

Pizza & a Movie for ALL AGES: Join us for this ALL AGES summer special version of Pizza & a Movie! Register before 6/22 and enjoy "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory." See more and register, [here](#).

Mystery Science Film Club on Saturday, June 10th for adults: This month, we'll be watching a movie brave enough NOT to ask: "For whom does the Blart Paul? It Pauls for thee!" See more and register, [here](#).

Saturday Morning Cartoons: Come join us for a trip down nostalgia lane as we watch your favorite 90's and early 2000's cartoons. We have blankets and all the sugary breakfast treats to make you feel like a kid again. No registration! **Adults only program.**

This month on the 10th, we'll be watching *Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius* which came out in 2001!



A new collectible rubber duck will be revealed on the first day of each new month. Supplies are limited!!

Our June ducks are Dragon themed!!

A big **THANK YOU** to the Pediatric Dentistry office of Dr. Susan Blankenship for sponsoring this year long event! See Dr. Blankenship's website, [here](#).



This Friday join us for Show Tunes as a part of our An After Hours Affair monthly events!

The show starts at 6 PM and beverages and snacks are provided. As of this sending out, keep an eye on the [registration page](#) to see if someone has cancelled!

Update to this Program Going forward, these events will be named, "The Bernie Yoffredo Concert Series" and is sponsored by the [Friends of the Palm Harbor Library](#).

Book Clubs



This summer's theme is *All Together Now* which represents kindness, friendship, and unity. *Each Pinellas county library will be joining in on this theme along with other libraries around the country. Pretty cool!*

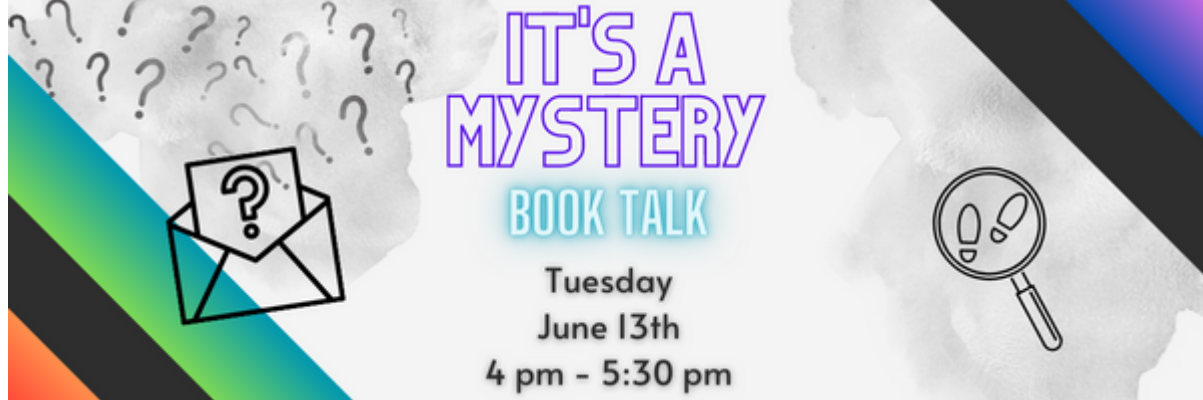
Register in person for ALL ages on June 3rd at 10 AM. Spots fill quickly! Registration lasts until 7/22.

Youth: This summer, join our Kids' Reading Club to earn prizes and goodies! Remember, Sat. June 3rd is the first day to register for summer events. Be at the Library at 10 AM or online to snag your spots! This is also the day to register for our summer activities. See the summer video [here!](#)

Teen: Register in person at the Info desk to receive your book log. Work your way through the achievements on your log and complete all the club requirements to earn a free book, small prize, and entry slip for the [Teen Summer Reading Club Drawing](#) held on July 29th at 2 PM!

Sign up between June 3 - July 22. You can bring updates to either Info desk at your leisure. **First 20 teens that sign up get a free tote with goodies!**

Adult/ New Adult: Register in person from June 3rd until the 22nd. We will be ending the summer with a Reading Club Luncheon on Saturday, August 12th at 12 PM.



Do you love **cozy mysteries**? Join our monthly group to discuss which cozy you're currently reading and learn about new ones!

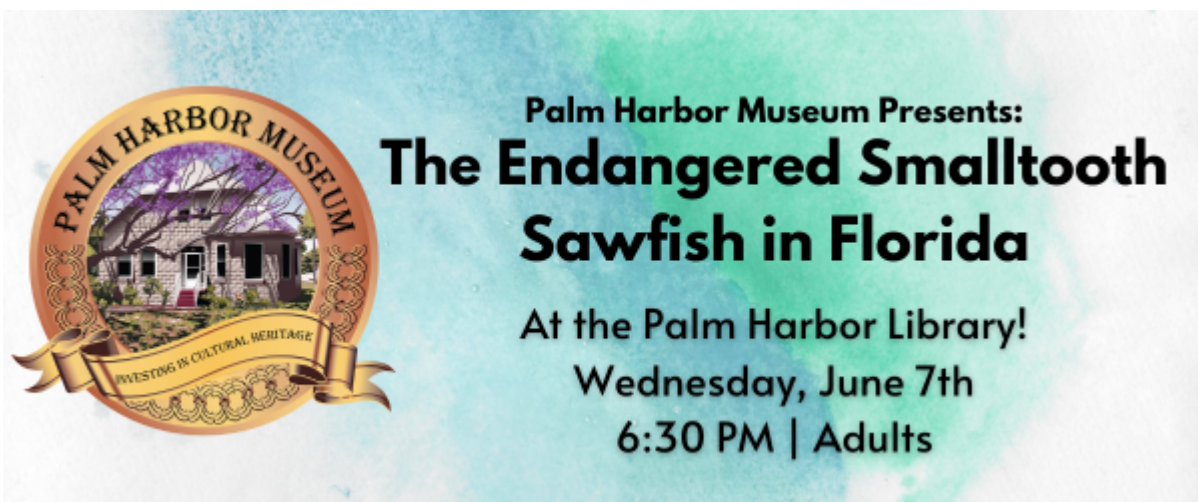
Everyone reads their own choice of Cozy Mystery and comes prepared to share. We have a featured Cozy author handout available at the library to hopefully give you more book suggestions.



PHiL's Book Club: Join Library Director Gene Coppola in a discussion of Jane Eyre by Charlotte Brontë. Copies of the book are available at the front desk. See the book's summary [here](#).

Ales & Tales: This month you can join Jinelle at [Stilt House Brewery](#) at 625 Alt 19 for a discussion of The Villa by Rachel Hawkins.

Adult Events and Programs



Join the Palm Harbor Museum with presenter Gregg R. Poulakis, Ph.D of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, will be presenting *The Endangered Smalltooth Sawfish in Florida*. which will be held here at the library on Wednesday, June 7th.

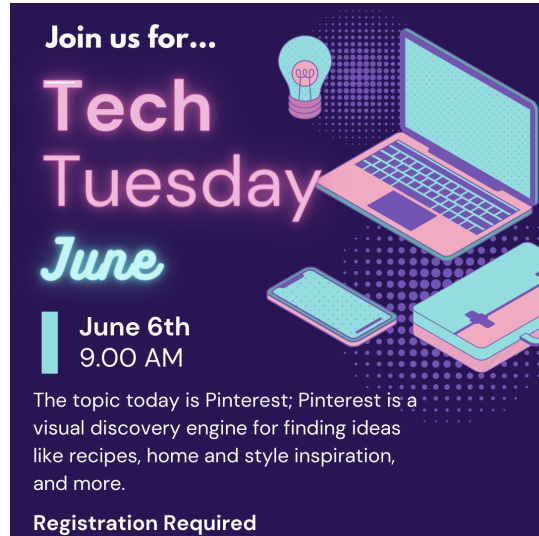
Learn more about the event and register, [here!](#)

Monthly Class

Tech Tuesday for June

The topic today is, *Pinterest*. Please [register](#) for this program, to ensure we have enough materials. 6/6 at 9 AM.

See July's class, [here](#).

A poster for 'Tech Tuesday June' with a dark blue background and a grid of dots. It features a lightbulb, a laptop, a smartphone, and a tablet. The text reads: 'Join us for... Tech Tuesday June', 'June 6th 9.00 AM', 'The topic today is Pinterest; Pinterest is a visual discovery engine for finding ideas like recipes, home and style inspiration, and more.', and 'Registration Required'.A poster for 'Jigsaw Puzzle Club!' with a teal background and white puzzle pieces on the right. The text reads: 'Adults Program: It is time to play! Jigsaw Puzzle Club! First Friday 10 AM -12 PM Monthly Club! Palm Harbor Library This. Us. Together'.

Jigsaw Puzzle Club!

Join our once a month Puzzle Club putting the pieces together! No registration needed and this is adults only. This month join us on Friday, June 2nd at 10 am!

A poster for 'Master Gardener Plant Clinic & Lecture' with a green background and a white plant illustration. The text reads: 'Master Gardener Plant Clinic & Lecture Tuesday June 20th'.

Master Gardener Lecture & Plant Clinic

Join us monthly for [Master Gardener](#) events! The Plant Clinic will be held at [12:30](#) & at [3:30](#). Sign up for the monthly [lecture](#), "Singing Insects", starting at 2 PM through [Eventbrite](#).



Advanced Tai Chi: Prerequisite: must have completed Beginners' Tai Chi for Balance course. See Instructor to register; come early to a session to see the instructor.

Beginning Tai Chi for Seniors: Registration is required as there is limited space. Sign up is with the instructor, Bruce Johnson. See the event page, [here](#) for the first class date in June.

Sound Healing & Mindful Meditation: Will not be available for June but will be back in July!



Needle Felting Club on 6/17

Join us for our monthly needle felting program, where we will take raw wool and turn it into various shapes and creations. We're making cute little beehives today!

Register [here](#) so we have enough supplies for everyone.



It's a Sweet Summer with Candy Jarcuterie - sign up to see what

Kaitlin, Maryjane & Arlene have come up with! This is on Tuesday, June 20th at 11 am. Register [here!](#)

Sponsored by [Friends of the Palm Harbor Library](#).



Decorate a "bucket" for your own 'Bucket List"! Register for one of the sessions below.

[Wednesday, 6/7 @ 4:30 PM](#)

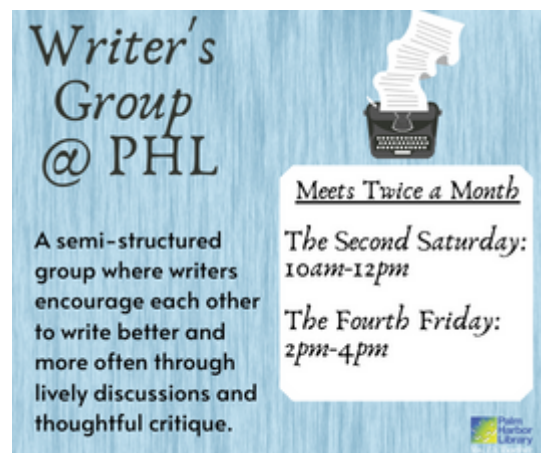
[Thursday, 6/8 @ 10:30 AM](#)



Movie & Book Discussion on 6/27

Discussion of Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory with Gene Wilder and Roald Dahl's book, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. June 27th at 10 am.

No registration!



Writer's Group @ PHL

The [Writer's Group](#) meets monthly. Writers write, talk, and connect. Drop in any session and there is no registration needed.

Palm Harbor Business Center

PHL is here to help grow your business, improve your skills, and see you succeed! Join us every month for our latest events that are a part of our [Business Center](#). This is a great opportunity to

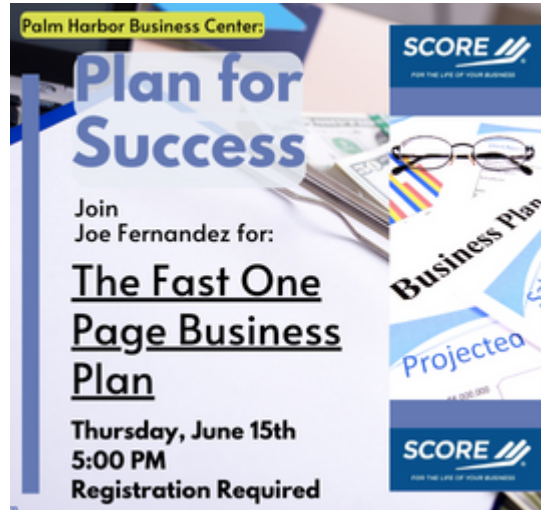


network with local entrepreneurs.

Register here for [SBDC](#) on Wed. 6/14 and select your session time.

SCORE – The Fast One Page Business Plan on 6/15

Join us for this business workshop presented by Pinellas SCORE. Joe Fernandez presents: "The Fast One Page Business Plan". A business with no plan has a higher chance of failing. See the event page [here](#) for more details and registration.



Suncoast Genealogy Society

Every month SGS is at the library for genealogy help! The [Suncoast Genealogy Society](#) provides Volunteer Genealogists to assist patrons with their genealogy questions on Tuesdays through Thursdays from 1 to 4 PM.



**Suncoast
Genealogy
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Saturday, June 24, 2023 at the Palm Harbor Library

1:00 pm SGS Business Meeting

1:30 pm Program



A Case of Double Identity



Featuring: John Matthews, SGS VP

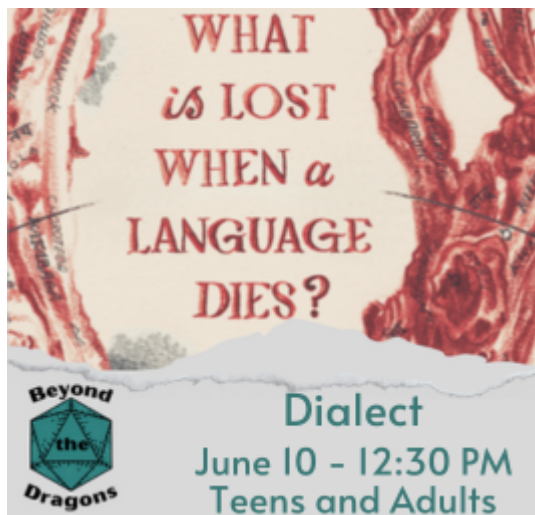
What to do when one person disappears from records and another appears from thin air? In this case study, genealogy and DNA are used to identify the parents of this mystery person, along the way uncovering many more relatives.

The case began when a good DNA match appeared both at Ancestry and 23AndMe who shared several known matches tracing back to a 3rd great grandfather. Both Ancestry and 23AndMe correctly predicted a 4th cousin relationship. While the line of the mother of the match was known, the father of the match had long since passed away leaving no documented relatives.

Member supported. Free and open to the Public!

For more information about SGS visit: <https://SGSFL.com>

Youth Events and Programs



Beyond the Dragons on 6/10

Whether you've been dungeon crawling before or you've never faced a dragon, our new Tabletop RPG Club is here to introduce you to fun games, new games, and thought-provoking games. Each month we will be testing out a new system with a one-shot. In June, we'll be playing... Dialect!

[Registration is required.](#) **Ages 13 - 18 and Adults.**



Escape the Cryptid Woods on 6/10

Our Cryptid Woods event is part escape room, part interactive haunted house, all low-budget but hopefully spooky and fun! [Registration is required](#) and this event is for **ages 13 - 18.**

COME JOIN US FOR...

ANIME CLUB!



MONTHLY MEET UPS
DRAWING & WRITING
GAMES & CRAFTS
...AND MUCH MORE!



Next meeting:
WEDNESDAY
JUNE 28TH, 5-6 PM
THEME: PRIDE

EMAIL ANIMECLUB@PHLIB.ORG OR ASK THE KIDS DESK TO SIGN UP!

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Join us for all things anime! This club meets once a month, so if you miss this month, try to catch them next month! This month's theme is Pride. This is a tween/teen only program. **Ages 11-18.**

Teen Craft Corner

Paint Pouring

Thursday, June 8th
5:45 PM

Ages 13 - 18

**Registration
Required**

Join us for an hour of paint pouring projects! This is for ages 13-18 and register here for this [event](#).

Kids' Chess Club Continues! Now on Thursdays!

Want to learn how to play chess or practice your game? Join teen Elias on *Thursdays* (6/8 and 6/22) for tips, tricks, and games! No registration needed. **Ages 7-12.**

KIDS' CHESS CLUB

START

Ages 7-12
 No Registration needed!
 Every other Thursday
 At 5:30

Want to learn how to play chess or practice your game? Join teen Elias for tips, tricks, and games!

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LRMA
 Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art
 at St. Petersburg College

Leap Into Art!

Friday, June 23rd
 3:30 PM till 4:30 PM
 Ages 3 + Up

Join us for "Unstoppable Creativity!" at the [Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art](#). Enjoy an hour of art-related stories and an art activity. Admission to the museum is free, but a \$5 suggested donation is appreciated to cover the cost of art materials. View the event page, [here](#).

Mr. Brad's Music!

Saturday 6/24
 No registration needed!

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Mr. Brad's Music on 6/24

Enjoy an energetic performance of fun originals and popular sing-a-longs using seven instruments. Program made possible by and in memory of David and Gail Meltzer.

Ages are infant to 5 years old. Saturday, June 24th at 10:30 AM. *Registration is not required - subject to room capacity.*



Baby Bookworms!

Baby Bookworms is weekly on Thursdays at 10 or 11:30 AM! No registration needed. Join Ms. Jaclyn for stories, lap bounces, rhymes and more! **No sessions on June 1st, 8th, and 22nd.**



Mother Goose Rhyme Time Now on Bi-weekly on Mondays!

Ms. Chris is warming up her singing voice! This event is for our youngest members (infants - 2) and filled with nursery rhymes, songs, and finger-plays. **Will be every other Monday for summer starting on June 5th.**

Please join us for...

Infant/Toddler Sign Language

Mondays 10:45-11:15am
Caregivers & Children
(Ages 1-4)



No registration required

The graphic has a yellow background. It features a central circular image of two hands in sign language, surrounded by smaller line drawings of various hand signs. The text is arranged around this central image.

This fun interactive signing class will teach you how to include signs naturally while interacting with your child through daily routines, play time, story time and music. **No sessions on June 5th & 19th.**

Get To Know Us

The graphic features a central portrait of Cathy Koutsoumbaris, a woman with long brown hair, smiling. To her right is a heart-shaped photo of a black and white St. Bernard puppy. The background is a collage of playing cards, a pocket watch, a key, and a coffee cup. The text 'EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT!' is in large white letters, and 'Cathy Koutsoumbaris' is in large pink letters below it. A blue callout box on the right contains a list of facts about her.

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT!


Cathy Koutsoumbaris

- Has an adorable St. Bernard puppy named Winston
- Is a winning Christmas Tree decorator
- A big fan of I Love Lucy & Alice In Wonderland

Administration

Did you know?

Lunch catered by Marguerite's!



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Friends Annual Meeting
September 9th, 2023
11:30 AM
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Become a Friend at Friendsofphl.org


Join Us!

Literacy at PHL

Reflection on the 2023 Florida Literacy Conference



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During the week of May 8th some members of the Literacy Council and their students attended the 2023 Florida Literacy Conference in Daytona Beach. Several months ago three of our students submitted essays to the Florida Literacy Council and all three students had the opportunity to read their essays aloud at the conference, two of which were published. Needless to say we are very proud of their accomplishments and the progress they have made in our program. Congratulations to Maria Gimenez; tutor Deborah Lawson, Randa Aranout; tutor Eddi Oezy and Ana Claudia Matthews; tutor Martin Bernstein. Following is the essay read by Ana Claudia Matthews.

Click [here](#) and then see the link under, "A Literacy Spotlight!" and click "essay" in the last sentence to read the essay by Ana.

Literacy Council's English Classes are Back!

There is no registration needed to attend. Check our [event page](#) for where the class will be held in the library along with our in-house flyer.

Conversation Classes: Starting May 13th in the Harbor Room. These are 10-11 AM on select Saturdays with Lauren Ruth.

Read Alongs: Starting April 26th in the Conference Room. These are 5:45-7 PM on select Wednesdays with Brenda Archer.

Learn English 2023 Classes
No Registration Required to Attend



Conversation Classes
10 - 11 AM
Select Saturdays
Instructor: Lauren Ruth

Read Alongs
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Director's Column

JUNE'S DIRECTOR'S COLUMN



“Long Range Plan 2024-2026”

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I know. It’s not a snappy title for this month’s column and it may seem borderline boring but it just may be the turning point in your Library’s evolution from a good library to a great one.

Yea, I like to think we’ve done some good things during our current Long-Range Plan such as:

- Development of a new Spanish collection
- A new Short Story Machine
- A new outdoor “Musical Garden”
- Flooring replacement for 26,000 square feet
- Installation of bullet-proof glass in the Children’s Room
- Re-Introduction of our annual “Open House” (In March we had near 400 attendees!)
- Providing weekly “Meals-on-Wheels”
- Installation of a west-side and east-side canopy
- Installation of an additional EXIT Door
- Installation of a drive thru window
- Creation of a “Business Center”

But now I say to my staff, what’s next?

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