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Hello -

The heat of summer is here but we have all the fun *cool* events for you! We also have great resources and spaces here to let you escape the heat. On a fun trip or enjoying your own air conditioning? Be sure to ask us about the online resources you can access from home and even check out materials at our [TWO auto-lend machines](#)! Also did you hear board games are now available for checkout!? They sure are! There are so many to choose from in our [gaming center](#) so see what we have and check them out with your library card.

Have you see our Children's Room [Hazel L. Incantalupo 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 DIYs to the next level. To kick off the fundraising for this major project, we are having **Christmas in July** on Friday, July 28th from 5-7 PM for all ages: Have fun while raising funds! More information on this event in the Featured Events section.

****The library will be closed for the Fourth of July. We will be closing EARLY on July 28th at 2 pm to prepare for our Christmas in July fundraiser.****

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



There's still time to sign up for summer events and reading clubs: Register kids in-person for clubs by Saturday, July 22nd so they can earn prizes! Visit our [online event calendar](#) to register for summer events. Check out our Youth Department's Kid's Summer Events Preview [video](#)!



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

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!

[Stilt House](#) will be pouring beers for the over 21 crowd (included with your ticket!).

[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, but it 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? Visit 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!

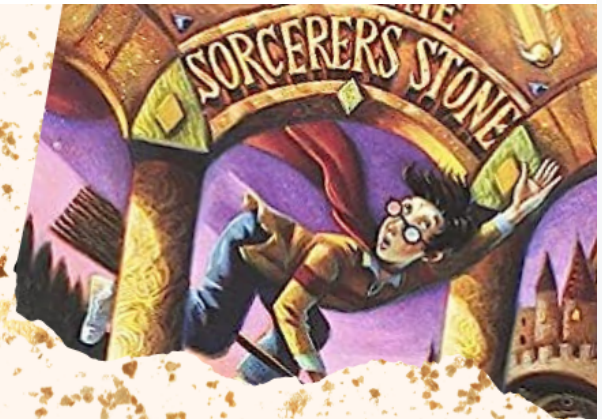
Harry Potter

BIRTHDAY BASH

Registration Required

Monday, July 31st

3-5 PM



Join Harry and his friends in a battle for the ages in our Sorcerer's Stone-inspired Harry Potter Birthday Bash!



Hogwarts Ages (11-18)

Join Harry and his friends as they enter Hogwarts for their first year in a Sorcerer's Stone-inspired Harry Potter Birthday Bash! This is for ages 11-18.

Register [here](#)!



Movie Events at PHL!

ALL AGES!

Pizza and a Movie

Monday, 7/24 starting at 4:30 PM

Registration is required

Saturday Morning Cartoons

Saturday, 7/15 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 7/24 and enjoy "Shrek." 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 15th we'll be watching "The Marvelous Misadventures of Flapjack"!



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

Our July ducks are Gingerbread-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](#).

Book Clubs



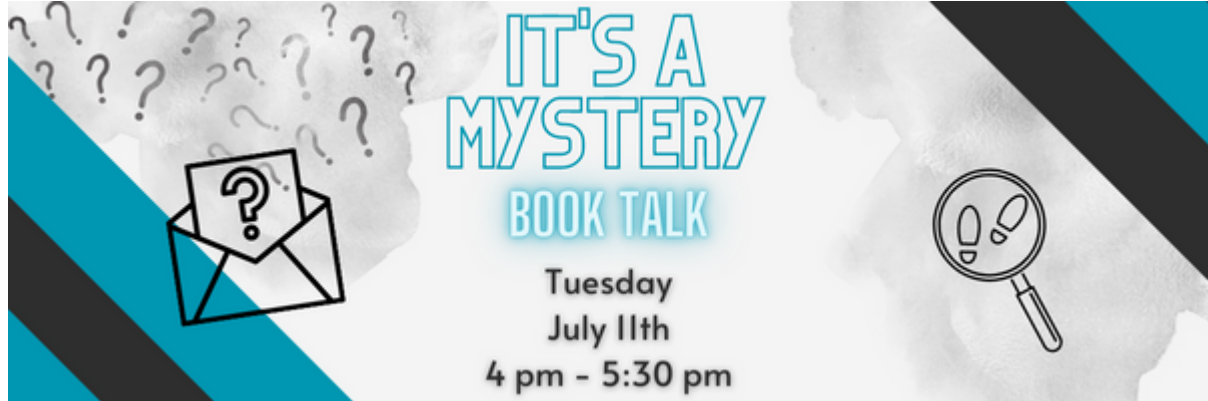
This summer's theme is *All Together Now* which represents kindness, friendship, and unity. *Each Pinellas county library will be joining in on this theme along with other libraries around the country. Pretty cool!*

Registration lasts until 7/22 for kids & teens

Youth: This summer join our Kid's Reading Club to earn prizes and goodies! See the summer video [here](#) and check out the event calendar to register for events, but be sure to sign up for the club in-person!

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 Ice Cream Social](#) held on July 29th at 2 PM! Bring your log updates to either Info desk at your leisure.

Adult/New Adult: Register in-person until Saturday, July 29th. We will be ending the summer with a [Reading Club Luncheon](#) on Saturday, August 12th at 12 PM. Submit a book review and earn a ticket to enter into a gift card give-a-way!



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 [The Sediments of Time](#) by Meave Leakey. Copies of the book are available at the front desk. See the book's summary [here](#). 7/10 at 11 am.

Ales & Tales: This month you can join Gene at [Stilt House Brewery](#) at 625 Alt 19 for a discussion of [March](#) by Geraldine Brooks. 7/13 at 6 pm.

ABC Reading Club on 7/25

Discussion is held at [Leepa-Ratner Museum of Art](#). This month we are reading [The Painted Word](#) by Tom Wolfe. Admittance to the

LRMA

Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art
at St. Petersburg College

ABC Reading Club

Art, Books, and Community

Held on selected Tuesdays from
11:30 AM – 1PM at the
Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art.

museum is free and donations
are graciously accepted.

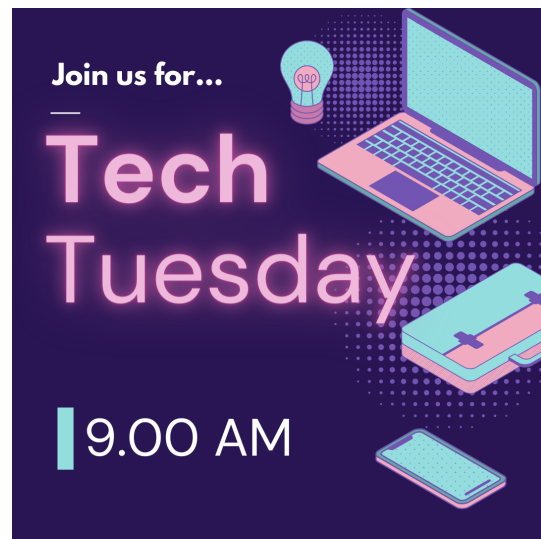
Adult Events and Programs

Monthly Class

Tech Tuesday for July

The topic this month is
Creating Greeting Cards: fun and
free online resources. Please
[register](#) for this program to
ensure we have enough
materials. 7/11 at 9 AM.

See August's class [here](#).



Jigsaw Puzzle Club!

Join our once a month Puzzle
Club and put the pieces
together! No registration needed;
adults only. This month, join us
on Friday, July 7th at 10 am!



Master Gardener Lecture & Plant Clinic on 7/18

Join us monthly for [Master Gardener](#) events on 7/18! The
Plant Clinic will be held at
[12:30](#) and at [3:30](#). Sign up for the
monthly [lecture](#) "Fight the Bite!"
at 2 PM through [Eventbrite](#).



Advanced Tai Chi: Prerequisite: must have completed Beginners' Tai Chi for Balance course. Come early to session to see Instructor to register. **No session on 7/31.**

Beginners' 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 the month.

Sound Healing on 7/5: Led by a certified Sound Healing Practitioner. Enjoy a session of deep relaxation. We highly recommend bringing a mat, pillow, and blanket. Sign up for Sound Healing [here](#). Space is limited but check back to see if a spot opens up if event is full. Keep an eye on our event calendar to see when the next classes will be!

Meditation & Mindfulness on 7/19: Join Tamara in a meditation and mindfulness instructor to calm the monkey mind, reduce stress and begin a meditative self care routine. Register for this event, [here](#).



Needle Felting Club on 7/22

Join us for our monthly needle felting program where we will take raw wool and turn it into various shapes and creations. This month we're making a whale shark!

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

Gingerbread & Hot Cocoa



Tuesday | 7/18 | 11 AM

REGISTRATION
REQUIRED



Let's make Gingerbread & Hot Cocoa with Cathy W., Arlene and Maryjane in the special Christmas in July-themed Let Us Cook! Join us Tuesday, July 18th at 11 AM. Register [here!](#)

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



Christmas in July fun - make an Ornament Wreath to create with Betzaida and Maryjane.

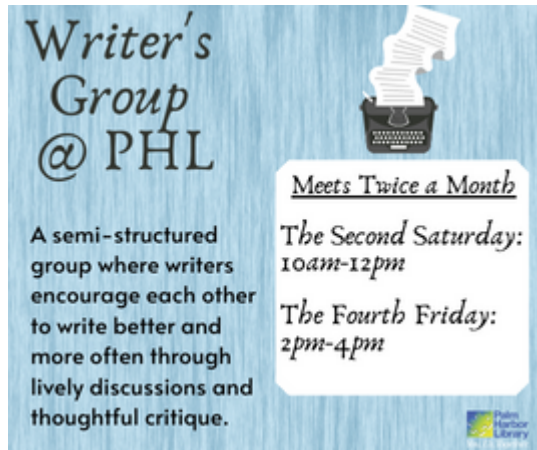
[Wednesday, 7/19 @ 4:30 PM](#)

[Thursday, 7/20 @ 10:30 AM](#)



Movie & Book Discussion on 7/25

Join us as we discuss the movie



Writer's Group @ PHL

The [Writer's Group](#) meets monthly. Writers write, talk, and

that we saw last evening, "Shrek," and how it compares to the book by William Steig, Shrek! on Tues. July 25th at 10 AM.

No registration!



SCORE – Social Media for Business on 7/27

Learn about the different social media types to help market your business. We'll discuss and briefly demonstrate the following platforms: Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, Twitter, YouTube, Apple Podcast, and Pinterest. Learn how these social platforms can increase your audience and get your name out in the community. See the event page [here](#) for more details and registration.

connect. Drop in any session; 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. 7/12 and select your session time.



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
Society**

Palm Harbor, Florida

Proud Partner with **Palm Harbor**
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Saturday, July 22, 2023, 1:00-4:00 PM
at the **Palm Harbor Library**



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.

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

Youth Events and Programs



Beyond the Dragons on 7/8

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... Blades in the Dark!

Registration is required. Ages 13 - 18 and Adults.



Escape the Cryptid Woods on 7/8

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.**

July Teen Events

Teen Movie Night!

Teen Trivia Night

Teen Writing Workshop

Ages 13 - 18

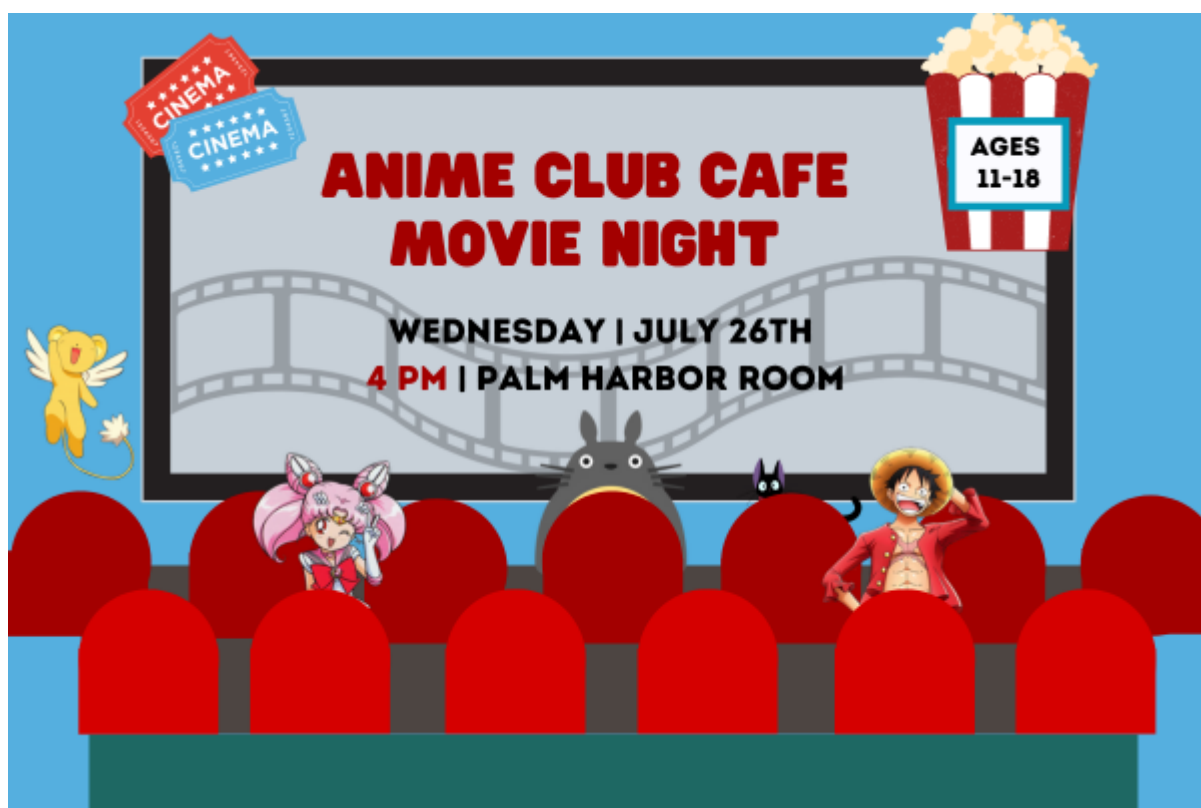
Teen Summer Achievements

Teen Movie Night on 7/13 at 4:30 PM - No Registration

Teen Writing Workshop on 7/20 at 5:45 PM - [Registration Required](#)

Teen Summer Achievements: Sign up for the challenge until 7/22 and check out more info [here](#).

Teen Trivia Night on 7/27 at 5 PM - [Registration Required](#)



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 is movie night - film to be selected by club members! This is a tween/teen only program. **Ages 11-18.**

Kids' Chess Club Continues! Now on Mondays!

Want to learn how to play chess or practice your game? Join teen Elias on *Mondays* (7/3 and 7/17) at 5:30 PM 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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Reading Doesn't Stink!

Ages 5-12
 Saturday, July 15th
 2 or 3:30

A visit from the Pet Skunk Advocates & Rescue!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Join us as we become friends with skunks! A representative from [Pet Skunk Advocates & Rescue](#) educates families about skunks and their importance to our local ecosystem. Let's read, explore, and even pet a skunk together!

For ages 5 - 12. Registration is required and please pick one session to attend. [Session one](#) & [session two](#).

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

Leap Into Art!

Friday, July 21st
 3:30 PM till 4:30 PM
 Ages 3 + Up

Join us for "The Tools of Art" held 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. No registration required. 600 E Klosterman Rd, Tarpon Springs.



Giving Tree Music Drum Circle on 7/8

All together now: Let's make some music! Drum, dance, and learn with Giving Tree Music.

Ages 3+. Saturday, July 8th at 2 PM OR 3:30 PM. Registration is required.

[2:00 PM Session](#) [3:30 PM Session](#)



Baby Bookworms is Bi-weekly on Thursdays!

Baby Bookworms is on Thursdays at 10 or 11:30 AM! No registration needed. Join Ms. Jaclyn for stories, lap bounces, rhymes and more! **Sessions on July 13th and 27th.**



Mother Goose Rhyme Time is 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 on July 3rd, 17th, and 31st.**

Please join us for...

Infant/Toddler Sign Language

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



No registration required

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. **Sessions on July 10th and 24th.**

Get To Know Us

Employee Spotlight!

Maryjane Hyatt

- LOVES reading - especially Cozy Mysteries (join us once a month at our "It's a Mystery Cozy Book Talk"!)
- Always has a Container Garden going at home
- Has had two God-Dogs in her life!

Adult Programming Librarian

Did you know?

Lunch catered by Marguerite's!

friends
OF THE LIBRARY

Friends Annual Meeting

September 9th, 2023
11:30 AM

RSVP once a friend to:
friendsofph@gmail.com

Become a Friend at friendsofph.org

Join Us!

Literacy Council's English Classes are Back!

There is no registration needed to attend. Check our [event calendar](#) for where the class will be held in the library along with our in-house flyer or give us a call!

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.

This is sponsored by the [Friends of the Palm Harbor Library](#).

Learn English 2023 Classes

No Registration Required to Attend

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Director's Column

JULY'S DIRECTOR'S COLUMN



“Christmas in July!”

Christmas in July!

Well, it's that time of the year again! Lots of red and green are showing, carolers are singing, Christmas cards are a-making and eggnog is about to be served. Can it be? Could it be? Yes, it's "Christmas...in July"! Why wait and celebrate this wonderful time

of the year just in December. They say it only comes once a year. We say it comes twice a year...at least to Palm Harbor Library.

"Christmas in July" is actually a library fundraising event, hopefully to be celebrated for many summers to come.

Please continue reading [here](#)

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