Welcome to your new newsletter!

Things are looking a bit different for your newsletter but we still are getting you all the fun and important information. If the weather gets warm and beautiful, we have our gorgeous reading garden. Getting chilly? There are dozens of events and resources just for you! Thank you to everyone you came to our first round of events in January along with our 2024 ArtPHL Evening. Look out on our social media accounts for pictures and videos from the ArtPHL event.

***The library will be closed to the public on February 16th and 19th***

See the whole event calendar here.

Featured Events
**ACEcon 2024**
Saturday, March 9 and 10, 12 pm - 4 pm
Palm Harbor Library
Anime and Comic Enthusiasts unite! Come dressed in your favorite cosplay, get photos in our photobooth, enter our costume contest, have a chance to win fun prizes, and MORE at this year’s 2-day long ACEcon! Special thanks to the Friends of the Palm Harbor Library and Dove Digital Marketing and sponsoring this event!
See the website/ event page for details on contests, events, vendors, and more.
Visit Our Website: [acecon.carrd.co](https://acecon.carrd.co)

**Tampa Taiko Japanese Drums**
Tuesday, February 6, 4:30 pm, All Ages
Palm Harbor Room
Enjoy a lively (and loud!) show from Tampa Taiko, a professional drumming ensemble. They'll be celebrating Chinese New Year with a traditional lion dance performance. Program made possible by and in memory of David and Gail Meltzer.

**GAL-entine's Day with Barbie! ??**
Friday, February 9, 6:00 pm, Adults + Teens 13+
Palm Harbor Room
Celebrate GAL-entine's Day this year with your favorite gal-pal, Barbie! We'll be watching her 2023 film debut, enjoying snacks, and more at this adult and teen event.
Click the event name to register.

**Bernie Yoffredo Concert Series: Bossa Nova**
Friday, March 1, 06:00 PM, Adults
Join us for March's edition of the Bernie Yoffredo Concert Series. This event will be featuring "Bossa Nova" by Peter Boesen. Enjoy beautiful music with complimentary wine and light food.
Click the event name to register.
Opera For Earth Presents 3 Tenors
Saturday, February 17, 3:00 pm, ALL AGES
Palm Harbor Room
Come hear some of the most popular tenor songs in the operatic and musical theater repertoire. These tenors will knock your socks off as their high notes soar and beautiful melodies ring. Presented by Opera for Earth. No registration.

Book Clubs

PhiL's Book Club
Monday, February 12, 11:00 am, Adults
E. W. Martin Conference Room
Join our head of Adult Services, Peter, for our monthly book club! This month we will discuss… "The Nickel Boys" by Colson Whitehead.

Ales & Tales Book Club
Thursday, February 8, 06:00 PM, Adults
Stilt House Brewery
Palm Harbor Library staff conducts an evening book club. This month join Peter in-person at Stilt House Brewery at 625 Alt 19, for "The Nickel Boys" by Colson Whitehead.

It's a Mystery Cozy Book Talk
Tuesday, February 13, 4:00 pm, Adults
E. W. Martin Conference Room
Everyone reads their own choice of Cozy Mystery and comes prepared to share their choice. There is a featured Cozy author handout to hopefully give you more choice!

Adult Services

Friends Concert
Saturday, February 10, 2:00 pm
Palm Harbor Room
The Friends of the Palm Harbor Library presents Florida Fanfare Brass in concert. Sign up and join the show.
Photography Contest Photo Talk
Monday, February 5, 2:00 pm
Harbor Room
Join us for a monthly discussion about photography in relation to the Palm Harbor Library photography contest. We'll focus on the technical and aesthetic aspects of composition, and how to present your photograph for the Palm Harbor photography contest. We'll also discuss the rules of the contest and answer any questions. Print your photographs for an opportunity to peer review your work with other photographers.

Pizza & a Movie
Monday, February 26, 4:30 pm
Palm Harbor Room
Sign up to save your space for Harriet; based on the thrilling and inspirational life of an iconic American freedom fighter, Harriet tells the extraordinary tale of Harriet Tubman's escape from slavery and transformation into one of America's greatest heroes. Her courage, ingenuity, and tenacity freed hundreds of slaves and changed the course of history. PG-13; 2hr 5 min
Click the event name to register.

Master Gardener Plant Lecture
Tuesday, February 20, 2:00 pm
Palm Harbor Room
Pinellas' Native Orchids
Did you know we have 19 native orchids here in Pinellas County? Brooker Creek Botanist James Stevenson will discuss the life history, biology and ecology of some of these special wildflowers. Register through Eventbrite.

Advanced Tai Chi for Seniors
Select Friday and Saturdays, 1:00 pm
Palm Harbor Room
Sign up is at class with the Instructor, come a few minutes early to sign up. Check our full calendar for exact dates.
Sound Healing
Thursday, February 15, 11:00 am
Palm Room
This Sound Bath Meditation is led by Tamara, a certified Sound Healing Practitioner. Bring a mat and a pillow and get ready to be "bathed" in sound frequencies and vibrations for a deeply restorative session. Click the event name to register.

Catalog Your Treasures Friends Fundraiser
Saturday, February 17, 11:00 am
Palm Harbor Room
Friends of the Palm Harbor Library are ready to help you 'Catalog your Treasures' at an inaugural event on Saturday, February 17th. Bring up to 3 items for appraisal by our on site appraisers. No furniture please. We will charge $5.00 per item appraised. This event will be from 11:00-2:00.

Let Us Cook
Tuesday, February 20, 11:00 am
Palm Harbor Room
Sign up to save your space for Elizabeth's Lemon Cake; published in 1855 in Malinda Russell's A Domestic Cookbook: containing a careful selection of useful receipts for the kitchen. It is the first known cookbook written by an African American. Click the event name to register.

SCORE: How to Get Your YouTube Videos Actually Seen
Monday, February 12, 5:00 pm
Palm Room
Join Tony Rockliff for, "How to get your YouTube Videos Seen". This seminar covers how to best optimize your YouTube channel and its videos in order to get your videos viewed. Sign up and join us for this exciting and informative Live, in person workshop presented by Tony Rockliff. Click the event name to register.

DIY@PHL
Wednesday, February 28, 4:30 pm AND Thursday, February 29, 10:30 AM
E. W. Martin Conference Room
Create Spring cards with Carol T! Click the day you would like above to sign up.

Palm Harbor Museum
Wednesday, February 7, 6:30 pm
Palm Harbor Room
Please mark your calendars for February 7th at 6:30 PM for our 2024 Annual Meeting in the Community Room of the Palm Harbor Library. This event is open to all in the community and we invite you to bring friends and colleagues. There will be opportunities to learn not only about our past and present activities, exhibits, and goals, but to help envision our future. And there will be pizza, of course! No RSVP is necessary—just show up!

Highland Chorus
Tuesday, February 27, 2:00 pm
Palm Harbor Room
Join the fun! Come listen to the Highland Chorus and their "Feeling Fine" tune. Sign up to save your space! Click the event name to register.

USING IRISH RECORDS
Note: Special Location, Countryside Library, 2642 Sabal Springs Dr., Clearwater.
ONLINE is also available.
Sat. Feb. 24 1:00-4:00 pm
$25 for SGS Members & $30 for Non-Members
This is a Mini-Seminar using Irish Records to find and explore your Irish Roots using various online records. You will also have the opportunity to learn about tours in Ireland. Program Speaker is Sean Quinn. Learn more about him and his company at https://myirelandheritage.com/about-us/sean-quinn/
Visit: https://SGSFL.com for registration information.
Operation Online
Wednesday, February 28, 1:30 pm
E. W. Martin Conference Room
Exploring specific databases available with your PHL library card, as well as some fun topics for online research. Be sure to register ahead. Click the event name to register.

Youth and Teen Services

Teen Creativity Workshop - Writing
Thursday, February 29, 5:00 pm
Harbor Room
It's time to get creative! Join Mx. Samma in a writing workshop to kick off this series of quarterly creative training workshops. No registration.

Beyond the Dragon
Saturday, February 10, 12:30 pm, Ages 13+ and Adults
Mark Mazurek Gaming Center
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. You'll receive rules and character information a week before each event and play an entire story out! Email is required as we'll be coordinating all information ahead of time via email. In February, we'll be playing... Nancy Druid! In Nancy Druid, you will play as a druid scout who solves mysteries along...
with a trusty animal companion! Your magic is drawn from the natural world, the
day-night cycle, and the turning of the seasons. Click the event name to register.

**Goblin Errands**

**Saturday, February 3, 1:00 pm, Ages 9 - 12, Ages 13 & up**

**Mark Mazurek Gaming Center**

Join us in a kid-friendly monthly campaign where your group is made up of good-natured goblins making life difficult for adventurers and each other! Registration is required for each session so our Game Master knows how many to prepare for!

Click the event name to register.

**Dungeons & Dragons**

**Saturday, February 17, 12:30 pm, Ages 13+ and Adults**

**Mark Mazurek Gaming Center**

Get ready for an adventure in the world of Dungeons & Dragons! Whether you've been playing for years or are just starting out, we have a wonderful group with a professional Game Master here to guide you along. Join us in a monthly campaign that will tell an epic story over the course of 2024! Sign up is required (click event name) so we know who we have and we can help you build characters before you head on out!

**Anime Club!**

**Wednesday, February 28, 5:00 pm**

**Palm Harbor Room**

Join us for all things anime! This club meets once a month, so if you miss this meeting try to catch us next time! This is a tween/teen only program (Ages 11-18).

**Lego Master Builders**

**Tuesday, February 27, 4:30 pm**

**Palm Harbor Room**

Come let your imagination soar with a free build session. Attendees can vote on their favorite Lego creations that will go on display in the Children's Room! No registration.

**Music with Mar: Hoppy Valentine's Day**

**Saturday, February 10, 10:30 am, Caregiver & Child (Ages 6 months - 5)**

**Palm Room**

Music with Mar is an internationally respected brain based program which parents
and children participate in together that uses music and movement to help develop basic skills. No registration.

**Toddler Story Time**
Fridays, Choose from 10:00 am or 11:30 am, Ages 18 Months - 3 Years
Children's Room
Stories, songs, and fun in this interactive story time. Don't expect to sit still - you'll be getting all your wiggles out!

**Mother Goose Rhyme Time**
Wednesdays, 10:00 am, Caregiver & Child (Infants - 2)
Children's Room
A weekly program for our youngest members filled with nursery rhymes, songs, and fingerplays.

**Baby Bookworms**
Thursdays, Choose from 10:00 am or 11:30 am
Children's Room
Caregivers and Infants 0-12 months are welcome to this interactive story time. We will enjoy a story, lap bounces, rhymes, and opportunities to share a love of books with your baby!

**Infant/Toddler Sign Language**
Mondays, 10:45 am, Caregiver & Child (Ages 1 - 4)
Palm Room
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.
**First Steps Parent/Child Workshop**  
**Wednesdays, Starting on February 7, 10:30 am**  
**Palm Room**  
A four-week series of workshops for parents and toddlers. Each interactive event features a toy and play area, a craft corner, various community professionals, and a Parents' Resource Center. Caregivers required to stay with child(ren). In-person registration required.

**Intro to Robotics**  
**Thursday, February 8, 5:00 pm, Grades 5-8**  
**Palm Room**  
No experience required! Students work with mentor Ms. Bianca to gain a basic understanding of coding and the ways in which technology can be utilized to perform fully automated tasks using LEGO Spike Prime. This is a kids only event. Please register for each session individually. Thank you to our sponsors: Friends of the Palm Harbor Library, Tampa Bay Technology Alliance, Palm Harbor Cares, Absolute Family Care LLC.

**Kids' Chess Club**  
**Monday, February 5 and 26, 5:30 pm**  
**Mark Mazurek Gaming Center**  
Want to learn how to play chess or practice your game? Join teen Elias for tips, tricks, and games! This is monthly on every other Monday.

**Leap Into Art @ the Leepa-Rattner**  
**Friday, February 9, 3:30 PM**  
**Leepa-Rattner Museum**  
Join us for "Creativity and Construction" 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.

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**Director's Column**

**Love is All You Need**

“All you need is love!”
~John Lennon
Valentine’s Day is only one day in February, but it looms large this time of year; lots of attention to love, being in love, and affection for friends and family. 💌 The song quoted above brings a tone of fanfare to the celebration of love. Listening to it I cannot help but think about what I love about the library – hey, you knew that was inevitable!

I love the lyric: “You can learn how to be you in time...” from that song. Getting to know, loving, and appreciating ourselves can be a process! The Palm Harbor Library (PHL) has a number of different books in the world of self-help, such as The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People, and its many companion titles. The song’s lyrics were written by John Lennon, and we have a number of titles for all ages about the late, great Beatle. If you love the music of the Beatles, or any other artists, try streaming from hoopla! If you want the physical album you may check it out at PHL on CD – and yes, even on Vinyl. 🎵 Live music is alive and well too on Saturday, February 10 at 2:00 p.m. with a performance by Florida Fanfare Brass, sponsored by the Palm Harbor Friends of the Library. (PS – join the Friends the following Saturday, February 17 at 11:00 a.m. for Catalog Your Treasures.)

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