Your March Newsletter

March means spring and hey... how are those New Year's resolutions going?! Your favorite library has access to information to assist you no matter where you are on your 2024 journey. This month we're hosting our 10th Annual Anime and Comics Enthusiasts Convention, ACEcon! This beloved event will happen on Saturday and Sunday, the 9th and 10th of March. Normal library services (such as checking out or the drive-thru) will be unavailable on Sunday the 10th since we'll be having convention activities only. Otherwise, operating hours for your library will be as usual for the month.

For events that require registration or for more information, click on the individual event name below.

See the whole event calendar here.

Featured Events
ACEcon 2024
Saturday & Sunday, March 9 & 10, 12 pm - 4 pm, All Ages
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 for sponsoring this event! Registration NOT required.
See the ACEcon website or the Library’s event page for details on contests, events, vendors, and more. Visit Our Website: acecon.carrd.co

Pig Out on Reading
Saturday, March 16, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm, All Ages
Palm Harbor Room
Registration Required
For the last time before they retire!! Farmer Minor, his amazing pot-bellied pig Daisy, and her pug pals will present a pigtastic story time and tell you about life on their farm. You can even get a kiss from Daisy (if you’re brave/wild enough)! Caregivers required to stay with kids 7 or younger.

Bernie Yoffredo Concert Series: Bossa Nova
Friday, March 1, 6:00 pm, Adults
Registration Required
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. Call to see if there are spots still available!
Starlite Puppets Presents “Mr. & Mrs. Bird Build Their Nest”
Thursday, March 14, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm, All Ages
Palm Harbor Room
Registration Required
Ms. Connie of Starlite Puppets presents the delightful spring tale that takes the children on a journey into how a nest is built, where the materials are found, and how nature’s community comes together. Please register adults and children separately. Caregivers required to stay with children.

Favorite Opera Highlights: La Bohème
Saturday, March 23, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm, All Ages
Palm Harbor Room
Come hear some of the most loved operatic pieces from Puccini’s “La Bohème”! Presented by Opera for Earth. Check our Facebook and Instagram to see images and footage from the last two Opera events at the library. No registration required, but be sure to arrive on time to get a good seat… these are popular!

Books, Balls and Blocks hosted at the Palm Harbor Library!
See the flyer below that you can click on to register. You may also click here as well. We are so happy to be a part of this!
**Phil's Book Club**
Monday, March 11, 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 "Mules and Men" by Zora Neale Hurston.

**Ales & Tales Book Club**
Thursday, March 14, 6:00 pm, Adults
Stilt House Brewery
Palm Harbor Library staff conduct an evening book club. This month join Cathy in-person at Stilt House Brewery at 625 Alt 19, for *Circe* by Madeline Miller.

**It's a Mystery Cozy Book Talk**
Tuesday, March 19, 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!

**ABC Reading Club**
Tuesday, March 26, 11:30 AM, Adults
Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art: 600 E Klosterman Rd, Tarpon Springs, FL 34689
Discussion is held at the Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art.
This month we are reading "The Dalí Legacy: How an Eccentric Genius Changed the Art World and Created a Lasting Legacy" by Dr. Christopher Heath Brown & Jean-Pierre Isbouts.

**Adult Services**

**Friends Concert: Two Happy Ukers**
Saturday, March 16, 2:00 pm
Palm Harbor Room
Registration Required
The Friends of the Palm Harbor Library present Two Happy Ukers in concert. Sign up and join the show.

**Palm Harbor Museum**
Wednesday, March 6, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Palm Harbor Room
Registration Required
The Palm Harbor Museum presents…Tina Bucuvalas on Tarpon Springs:
Public Folklore and Historic Preservation.
Palm Harbor Historical Society celebrates its past 40 years with its 2024 program series, "Our Neighbors in Preservation," featuring members of our own Palm Harbor community and representatives from our local historical societies of Pinellas County to speak on the passions and contributions of that local community. Each of our historical societies (Tarpon Springs, Dunedin, Oldsmar, Safety Harbor, Clearwater, Largo) and all of our communities seek to preserve the distinctive history of each individual community while also preserving our unique Tampa Bay and Florida heritage. Register through [Eventbrite](#).

**Operation Online**
Wednesday, March 27, 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm
E. W. Martin Conference Room
Registration Required
We'll be exploring specific databases available with your PHL library card, as well as some fun topics for online research.

**Master Gardeners Plant Lecture**
Tuesday, March 19, 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm, Adults
E. W. Martin Conference Room
Preventative Care for Healthy Trees. ISA Board Certified Arborist Apollo O'Neil will explain the causes of tree failure and detail the preventative practices we can adopt to ensure the safety and longevity of our trees. With an emphasis on the physics of trees, this talk will focus on the importance of proper arboricultural work and how it can improve the tree health. Register through Eventbrite.

**Advanced Tai Chi for Seniors**
Mondays & Fridays in March (except 3/8), 1:00 pm
Palm Harbor Room
Sign up is at class with the Instructor: Please come a few minutes early to sign up. See the event calendar to verify dates since there can be discrepancies throughout the year.

*See our calendar for dates and times for Beginning Tai Chi for Seniors!*

**Sound Healing**
Wednesday, March 6, 11:00 am
Palm Harbor Room
Registration Required
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. If we're full for this month, keep an eye on our calendar for future events!

**Scrapbooking with Luz**
Wednesdays in March, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
E. W. Martin Conference Room
No registration required for this new class! This class meets weekly in March on Wednesdays.
Love to Knit?!
Check out the knitting classes with Luz on Mondays at 1:00 pm. No registration required. Group meets in the Gathering Area between the Teen Room & the Mark Mazurek Gaming Center.

Let Us Cook
Tuesday, March 12, 11:00 am
Palm Harbor Room
Registration Required
Save your space for Roasted Carrot Strips!

Needle Felting Club
Friday, March 22, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm or Saturday, March 23, 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm
E. W. Martin Conference Room
Registration required beginning 3/9
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 will be making some flower jewelry. This club meets on 3/22 (Friday) at 10:00 am and Saturday the 23rd at 2:30 pm.

Pizza & a Movie
Monday, March 25, 4:30 pm
Palm Harbor Room
Registration Required
Save your space for Field of Dreams. This is a 1989 American sports fantasy drama film written and directed by Phil Alden Robinson, based on Canadian novelist W. P. Kinsella's 1982 novel Shoeless Joe. The film stars Kevin Costner as a farmer who builds a baseball field in his cornfield that attracts the ghosts of baseball
legends, including Shoeless Joe Jackson (Ray Liotta) and the Chicago Black Sox. Amy Madigan, James Earl Jones and Burt Lancaster (in his final film role) also star. PG; 1hr 47 min

Welcome to the
Palm Harbor
Business Center

SCORE: How to Pitch your Business
Wednesday, March 13, 5:00 pm - 6:45 pm
Palm Room
Registration Required
Join Dennis Hamel for "How to Pitch your Business."
This workshop is perfect for both start-ups and seasoned entrepreneurs ready to learn how to make their business stand out in a competitive market. Join us and discover how to craft a clear, concise and compelling elevator pitch. Additionally, you will gain the know-how for preparing and delivering riveting presentations to small and large groups.
Please sign up.

Suncoast Genealogy Society
Palm Harbor, Florida

Saturday, 23 March 2023, 1:30-4:00 pm EST
Join us at the Clearwater Countryside Library
2442 Sabal Springs Dr, Clearwater, FL

The National Archives:
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Sooner or later our research leads us to the treasures held in governmental archives. Governmental archives are a treasure trove of information for researchers, with the United States National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) being the go-to source for federal government records. While many genealogists rely on federal census, military and pension records, as well as passenger arrival records, NARA has custody of a vast array of other useful records.

This hour and syllabus material focuses on the Washington, DC, area facilities, commonly called Archives I and II, finding aids, website, catalogs, access options and research tips. Some discussion covers the regional branches of NARA, including the finding aids.

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Youth and Teen Services
**Surf & Turf : A Teen Murder Mystery**  
Saturday, March 30, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Ages 11-18  
Palm Harbor Room  
Registration Required  
It's Cowboys vs Pirates in our annual murder mystery!  
Presented by the Youth Advisory Board (YAB).

**Teen Movie Night**  
Thursday, March 28, 4:30 pm, Ages 13-18  
Harbor Room  
Join us for "How to Train Your Dragon" and snacks!

**Goblin Errands**  
Saturday, March 2, 1:00 - 4:00 pm, Ages 9+ and Adult  
Mark Mazurek Gaming Center  
Registration Required  
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!

**Beyond: Gaming at Home**  
Saturday, March 16, 8:00 pm, Ages 13+ and Adults  
At home!  
Registration Required  
Our newest TRPG offering is after hours and in the comfort of your own home! Join us online for an evening of gaming over Discord. You will need Discord to join in the games. It is a free program for voice and text chat. Please note that the event will be cancelled if we do not reach minimum number of registered players. Be sure to join our Mark Mazurek Gaming Discord by clicking [here](#)! It's a great way to keep up to date with all of our upcoming events in the RPG world.

In March we will be playing "This Discord Has Ghosts In It"! Players split into two teams: investigators and ghosts. Ghosts may only type, filling the channels of a Discord with frights and spreading horror throughout the rooms and spaces of this house with text, images, audio, or video. Investigators may only speak in a voice channel, with everyone listening in, such as walkie-talkies or shouts throughout the space.

**Dungeons & Dragons**  
Saturday, March 16, 12:30 pm - 4:30 pm, Ages 13+ and Adults  
Mark Mazurek Gaming Center
Registration Required
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, March 27, 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm, Ages 11-18
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.

Intro to Robotics
Tuesday, March 5 & Thursday, March 21, 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm, Grades 5th-8th
Palm Room
Registration required for each individual session
No experience needed! 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. Thank you to our sponsors: Friends of the Palm Harbor Library, Tampa Bay Technology Alliance, Palm Harbor Cares, Absolute Family Care LLC.

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, Caregiver & Child (Infants)
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.

**Kids' Chess Club**

Monday, March 4 and 18, 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm, Ages 7-12
Mark Mazurek Gaming Center
Want to learn how to play chess or practice your game? Join teen Elias for tips, tricks, and games! Event is monthly on every other Monday.

**Purim Costume Party**

Thursday, March 21, 10:30 am - 11:30 am, All Ages
Palm Room
Dress up and join YI Chabad of Pinellas and celebrate Purim with music and movement!
Caregivers must stay with children.

**Hello Spring! Storytime**

Tuesday, March 19, 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm
Children's Room
Stop in the Children's Room for springtime stories, activities and a bouquet of colorful fun. We'll be having a blooming good time!
Mr. Brad’s Music
Saturday, March 23, 10:30 am - 11:30 am, Ages 1-5
Palm Harbor Room
Enjoy an energetic performance of fun originals and popular sing-a-longs using seven instruments.

Leap Into Art @ the Leepa-Rattner
Friday, March 8, 03:30 PM
Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art: 600 E Klosterman Rd, Tarpon Springs, FL 34689
Join us for "Colors Make a Splash!" 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. Ages 3 & up.

Director's Column

A Better Now

“...good history is a good foundation for a better present and future.”
~John Hope Franklin

Still in love with history? To continue with last month’s question, there is much to delve into glancing back and peering ahead at the Palm Harbor Library (PHL). The Suncoast Genealogical Society offers both classes and assistance every week, right here at the library. On March 6 at 6:30 p.m., the Palm Harbor Museum will present a new session in its partnership series, which this month will be Tarpon Springs: Public Folklore and Historic Preservation. And just a few days later, on March 9 and 10, it will be time to explore the past, present and future worlds - and universes - with PHL’s annual... (drumroll please...) 🥁

Continue reading here.

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