



Director's Column: I Don't Know Why You Say Goodbye, I Say Hello

Farewells are not always fair, but there is beauty in change. I am an Air Force brat, and I have had a lifetime of saying goodbyes – each time my father was stationed somewhere new. My memory is in flashes of snow and heat, friends and relatives, and random adventures (and misadventures too, of course... c'est la vie!). As an adult I have craved focus to actively pursue my passions – such as library science – through collaboration, discovery, and my best attempts at leadership. That led me to this library. I still remember a conversation with my predecessor and colleague, Gene Coppola, who explained to me what a special place Palm Harbor is, and how invested people are in their institutions. So, as I prepare to say goodbye (and hello to a new adventure), I want to ask everyone in Palm Harbor, Pinellas County, and the great state of Florida: **what is a community?**

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Take our online survey

We need
YOUR INPUT!

**Take our online survey for our
2027-2029 Strategic Plan by
August 7th, 2026.**

Help shape Palm Harbor's future!

We invite you to participate in a brief [online survey](#), designed to gather your perspectives on our strengths, opportunities, and aspirations. The survey will remain open through the end of the day on **Friday, August 7th, 2026**, and should take approximately 5–10 minutes to complete.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to share your insights. Together, we can ensure that Palm Harbor Library & Parks and Recreation continue to grow, thrive, and serve our community with excellence, purpose, and impact for years to come.

Featured Events



Unearth a Story Summer Carnival

Saturday, 8/1 at 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

This celebration is open to the public and a fun afternoon for all! There will be carnival games, cotton candy, face painting, and more! All proceeds benefit children's programming at the Palm Harbor Library. Special thanks to the Kiwanis Club of Greater Palm Harbor for sponsoring our games!

[More info →](#)



Bernie Yoffredo Concert Series: ZAPSHANRAI

Friday, 8/7 at 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

For adults. ZAPSHANRAI, a trio featuring Rebecca Zapen, Shana Smith, and Raihan Alam will play lilting harmonies, multi-instrumentation including violin, guitar, percussion, didgeridoo, handpan, and more.

Registration required to attend this event.

[More info and registration →](#)

Joy Postle: The Art of the Florida Wild

presented by Award-Winning Florida Author Rick Kilby

Wednesday, August 5th
5:00 pm – 6:45 pm

The Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings Society features Florida author Rick Kilby, who shares the story of Joy Postle (1894–1989), an artist and nature enthusiast.

No registration required.



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The [Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings Society](#) presents award-winning Florida author Rick Kilby as he tells the story about the life and work of Joy Postle (1894–1989), a prolific artist and nature lover whose work documented the beauty of Florida's environment in the twentieth century. After moving to rural Marion County during the Great Depression, Postle supported herself and her husband through her artistic talents, teaching music and art classes, selling paintings, and earning occasional mural commissions. No registration required.

**From Attic to Awesome:
MARKET AND APPRAISALS**

 **SATURDAY, 8/29**
 **11 AM - 2 PM**





From Attic to Awesome: Market & Appraisals
Saturday, August 29th at 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Beat the heat and join us for a lively (indoor) flea market packed with unique finds, handmade goods, and hidden treasures. Special feature: bring your cherished items to our Antiques Appraisal Booth, where an expert will provide evaluations in exchange for a \$5 donation per item to the Palm Harbor Library Endowment Foundation. It's a perfect day to shop and support your local library!

[More info →](#)

Featured Youth Events



**STORY TIMES
ARE
RETURNING!**

Starting Monday, August 17th, story times will be back!
Here's a weekly line-up for our littlest members!

Mondays at 10:45 am - 11:15 am - for ages 1-4 - [Infant/Toddler Sign Language](#)

Wednesdays at 10:00 am - 10:30 am - for ages 0-2 - [Mother Goose Rhyme Time](#)

Thursdays at 10:00 am - 10:30 am - for ages 0-12 months - [Baby Bookworms](#)

Fridays at 10:00 am - 10:30 am OR 11:30 am - 12:00 pm - for ages 18 months - 3 years

- [Toddler Story Time](#)



Drop-by Origami

Saturday, 8/22 & 8/29 at
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Ages 6 and up: Stop by the Children's Room and try making origami with a teen volunteer! No sign-up needed!

[More info →](#)



Pokémon Club

Monday, 8/31 at 4:30 PM 5:30 PM

For ages 5 - 16. Join the club! Staff host a fun time for lovers of all things Pokémon. Bring your cards to trade! Registration required to attend.

[More info and registration →](#)

Featured Teen Events



Youth Advisory Board

Thursdays starting 8/6
at 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM
(except 8/27)

Does your teen need volunteer hours this



Magic Kingdoms - A Disney Trivia Night

Thursday, 8/27 at 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

For ages 13 to 18. Grab your friends and make a team of up to 4 to compete to see

school year? Then join our Youth Advisory Board (YAB)! YAB has a one hour meeting each week. During this meeting they discuss a variety of library issues, from book orders to organizing the teen room to planning events like our annual haunted house. This is a tween/teen only program.

No registration required.

[More info →](#)

who knows the most about Disney in movies, TV shows, books, and more!

Winning team gets gift cards for all participants!

[More info →](#)

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more to do
this month?**

**See full schedule
of events**

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