

Friends of the Orchard Park Public Library - May 2014 Newsletter and Upcoming Events

<http://www.friendsofoplibrary.org/>

Note from the President of the Friends Board:

The Erie County Legislature recently passed a resolution opposing the Special Library District. In response, the B&ECPL Trustees and Directors have been notified that the System Board has recommended further steps be addressed at a joint Executive Committee and Planning Committee (open to the public) scheduled for Thursday May 8th, at 4:00 PM in the Central Library.

Your Friends of the OP Library was started in 1982. The Board has kept complete records through all those years, however unfortunately many records stored in the library through the eighties were water damaged and needed to be discarded. Some have survived in members' homes. If you have any records, photos, or memories you could share with us, we would appreciate it. Thankfully, the Friends have begun digital backups of all documents to avoid future natural disasters.

We do know the members of the original Board in 1982. They were Margaret Witcher, President; Lloyd Graham, Vice President; Evelyn Didas and Joan Litwin, Secretaries; and Harry Kerr, Treasurer. Directors were Kay Norton, Shirley Eckl and Al Mogavereo. There were 28 members in 1982.

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BOOK SALE - May 16 - 18

Mark your calendar and come shop for some great books to read this summer! Our upcoming **Book Sale** will be held on **May 16, 17 and 18**. Book sale pricing can be viewed [here](#).

Hours for Book Sale Weekend: May 16, 17, and 18

(Memberships to the Friends can be purchased or renewed at the sale.)

Friday – Members of Friends Only 5 - 7 pm

Saturday - 10 - 3 pm \$5.00 a bag sale from 2 - 3 p.m.

Sunday - 12 - 3 p.m. \$2.00 a bag sale from 12 - 3 p.m.

4th TUESDAY SPEAKER SERIES

Jeff Schober, author of the *Bike Path Rapist*, *Growing Up Gronk* and other books, was our speaker at April's 4th Tuesday. Jeff gave his audience a realistic view of the world of publishing, its joys, triumphs and difficulties.

Join us Tuesday, May 27th at 7 p.m. "The Secret Life of WNY Bee Keepers" with local beekeepers John Spagnoli and Francis Hogenkamp. Mr. Spagnoli & Mr. Hogenkamp will discuss their love of honey bees along with the challenges of bee keeping in Western New York and the importance bees play in nature.

There will be no 4th Tuesday lectures in June, July or August. Please join us for our next 4th Tuesday Speaker Series on Tuesday, September 23, 2014, featuring Ian Shoff, a Peace Corp Volunteer who spent two years abroad in China.

If you know of someone who would be a good speaker for our 4th Tuesday Speaker Series, please let us know.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Help Wanted: We need a 4th Tuesday program coordinator. Past programs have featured local authors, a local newspaper editor, a 5th generation Eden farmer, Hawk Creek, Beaver Meadow, WNY natural and political history, gardening, Green Lake, OP Railway Station and many other topics. There are all kinds of good speakers out there. Position can be on or off the Friends Board of Directors. Call Phyllis 662-5155.

BOOK SALE: We are looking for volunteers to help out with our upcoming book sale. Contact Beverley Leek if you would like to help with the setting up, the sale and /or the take down. She can be reached at 662-5619 or bevo61@aol.com. We appreciate your help on whatever day you are able, even for a couple hours. If you help out with setup, you have the first pick of books you would like to buy. If you help with take down, you may select from any of the left over books for free. Any time you give benefits your library.

Set-up hours: Thursday, May 15, in the morning and afternoon, and Friday, May 16, in the morning

CHECK OUT OUR BOOKS FOR SALE ON EBAY!

The Friends sold two books on our eBay site this month. They are: A Farewell to Arms by Ernest Hemingway and The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien.

Currently offerings remaining online are Ayn Rand's "The Fountainhead", (1943), and "Atlas Shrugged", (1957). Also, "Plane Geometry" by Young and Jackson, (1916). Check them out!

You can "follow" our seller ID to see the latest items for sale on your homepage feed.

<http://www.ebay.com/usr/oplibrary>

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Remember to renew your Friends membership! Annual letters were sent at the end of March. If you have already renewed your membership, we thank you for your continued support of the Friends. A membership form can be found online [here](#). Memberships can also be renewed at the book sale.

SPRING CLEANING?

Clean your house and help the Friends! Two good things at once! Donate your books and other materials to the library to help support our book sale in May. Paperbacks are particularly popular this time of year as people prepare for their summer reading. Click [here](#) for more info on donating books and materials.

A CALL FOR BAGS

Save your Wegmans and Orchard Fresh paper and plastic bags and put them on the bench at the back door of the library. These are good bags for our bag sale. Your help is appreciated.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Note: Some children's programs require registration. Please check the library calendar for details. Call the library at 662-9851 to register or for more info.

The programs listed below are funded by Buffalo and Erie County Public Library System and the Friends of the Orchard Park Public Library.

Childrens programs:

[Spring Story Hours at the Library.](#)

Adult Programs

Knitting Club meets every Wednesday at 7:30 -8:30 p.m.

Teen Programs

[BookendS](#)

May Happenings:

Friends of the Orchard Park Library Book Sale. May 16th 5-7 p.m. for "Friends" members only. Saturday, May 17th 10a.m. - 3p.m. Special \$5.00 a bag sale from 2-3 PM. Sunday, May 18th 12p.m.- 3p.m. All day, \$2.00 a bag sale.

Library Closed May 26th

Children's Programs:

[Mr. K's Mobile Dome Planetarium](#): Saturday, May 3rd Lets discover all the sky has to offer. 2 shows. The first at 1 p.m. is for ages 4-6 yrs. and the second at 2:30 p.m. for ages 7 yrs. and up. Registration is required.

[Audubon Center's "Daniel Boone"](#). Saturday May 10th at 1 p.m. Discover the life and times of Daniel Boone. This is a family program. Registration is required.

[Fairies Garden](#): Make your own unique Fairies garden and learn about plants at the same time. Saturday, May 24th at 10:30 am. Registration required beginning May 5 at 10 a.m.

Teen Programs:

Sign up for the 2014 "Battle of the Books". Registration began Monday, April 21st. Battle meetings begin Tuesday, May 13th at 7 p.m. Youth entering grades 6-9 may participate in this exciting summer program. Read selected titles and compete in a trivia competition relating to those books. Party and prizes after "Battle" competition.

Adult Programs:

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Computer Class: [Computer Basics](#): An introduction to computers for the beginner, Thursday, May 8th, 2-4 pm. Registration required and begins April 14 at 10 am.

June Happenings: Children's Programs:

[Aquarium of Niagara's "Touch Tank"](#): June 20th, 3-4 p.m. The ever popular touch tank returns for their annual of the summer visit. Be part of all the fun as the Aquarium allows you to experience first "Hand" the feel of live sea creatures.

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[Kindle Fire Basics](#). June 5th, 2-4 p.m. Learn about the parts of the Kindle fire, and understand how to use the touch screen, settings and keyboard. Also, discover how to download and use common Apps.

[1 on 1 eReader Appointments](#): June 19th, 5-8 p.m. Meet with the Library staff for a free 45 minute appointment to learn how to borrow library eBooks for your e-Device (Kindle, Nook, iPad, or Android Tablet)

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Donations Always Welcome:

Your generous donations help us serve the patrons of the Orchard Park Public Library and our community. Donations of used books, your time or financial donations are always appreciated. Please consider remembering the Friends in your estate plan. The Friends of the Orchard Park Library is a 501 (C) (3) non-profit organization and donations are tax deductible.

[Donate Online Now!](#)

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If you enjoy attending the library programs, consider becoming a member of the Friends. A membership form can be found online [here](#). You may also stop in the Orchard Park Public Library and ask a librarian or look for the golden membership cards in the Book Nook or by the checkout stations. All are welcome and together we make a difference!