

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

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

## Note from the President of the Friends Board:

The downtown Central Library in Buffalo has a program called "Book a Librarian". This program will provide you with one hour of uninterrupted instruction by a librarian. The librarian would help you research for answers for a specific topic.

The topics listed are:

- Introduction to the Library
- Finding a good book to read
- Finding Material for Children
- Health and Fitness Information
- Small Business Information
- Investments
- Grant Information for Non-Profit Agencies
- Patent Research
- Other

There is an online application at [www.buffalolib.org](http://www.buffalolib.org). Click on "Research" on the left of the screen, then "Book a Librarian" and fill out the form.

There is more help on that website such as Book a Technology Trainer for computer assistance.

Have you ever visited the downtown Library? There is lots of interest down there for the entire family .And you can have lunch there, too. Check out Fables Café on the website

The Friends are offering a tour of the Buffalo City Hall September 23rd. Mike Stock will be our Tour Guide. We plan to meet at the OP Library parking lot at 9:30 AM and car pool. If you would like to join us, call me 662-5155 or [pebanas@verizon.net](mailto:pebanas@verizon.net). The tour takes about an hour.

We have six large folding tables for sale. The Friends purchased new ones for the library and so we have the old ones for sale. They measure about 74 inches by 34 inches. Some may need some repairs. If you would like to purchase, call me 662-5155 or [pebanas@verizon.net](mailto:pebanas@verizon.net).

Regarding our September 4th Tuesday Speaker, Author David Smeltz, I am reading his first book, *The Ace of Hearts*. It is a rollicking tale of Sidney Sawyer, a young man who served in the Civil War. You won't be able to put the book down! I look forward to seeing you at our Fall 4th Tuesday Speaker Series.

Phyllis

## BOOK DONATIONS

Thanks to all for the OVERWHELMING book donations this summer. We are running out of space to store them! We are closing book donations until after our September Book Sale. We look forward to your continued generosity throughout the year.

## BOOK SALE - SEPTEMBER 5 - 7

Mark your calendar and come shop for some great books to read this summer! Our upcoming **Book Sale** will be held on **September 5, 6, and 7**. Book sale pricing can be viewed [here](#).

**Hours for Book Sale Weekend: September 5, 6, and 7**

(Memberships to the Friends can be purchased or renewed at the sale, or click [here](#) for a form.)

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.

### **LARGE PRINT EDITIONS IN THE BOOK NOOK**

Did you know we have large print editions of books for sale in the Book Nook? Visit the Book Nook and the Book Carts in the library for all your summer reading needs. All of the new and used materials available for sale are through generous donations from the community. Your purchase supports the Friends of the Orchard Park Public Library. Materials on the Book Carts are individually priced. To see Book Nook pricing click [here](#).

### **4<sup>th</sup> TUESDAY SPEAKER SERIES**

Please make sure to save the dates for our upcoming Fall 4th Tuesday Speaker Series. We have an exciting lineup of speakers starting in September.

Our Fall 4th Tuesday Speaker Series lineup includes:

- September 23 - Author David Smeltz will talk about his Civil War novels featuring Tom Sawyer's rogue brother, Sidney Sawyer. Call Mr Smeltz if you would like to read any of these prior to his talk. 549-3791 or e-mail [davidsmeltz@hotmail.com](mailto:davidsmeltz@hotmail.com)
- October 28 -Jon Roth, a staff educator at Earth Spirit Educational Services Inc, an organization that provides diverse environmental education programs, will speak about their Native American Studies Program focusing on the Iroquois (Haudenosaunee) People of New York State [www.earthspiritedu.org](http://www.earthspiritedu.org)
- November 25 - Dennis Popielinski, who will speak on the history of the Orchard Park Fire Company.

The programs begin at 7:00 PM and are held in the Community Room at the Orchard Park Public Library. For more information on these programs, please visit our new website at [www.friendsofoplibrary.org](http://www.friendsofoplibrary.org).

### **EBAY BOOK SALES**

Be sure to check out the books on our eBay site.

- *Boston School Kitchen Text-Book* by Mrs. D.A. Lincoln, 1897, Lessons in Cooking
- *The Rose Primer* by Edna Henry Lee Turpin, 1905, an elementary school reading and writing text
- *Atlas Shrugged* by Ayn Rand, 1957.

For more information, please visit our eBay store at [http://www.ebay.com/sch/oplibrary/m.html?\\_nkw=&\\_armrs=1&\\_ipg=&\\_from=](http://www.ebay.com/sch/oplibrary/m.html?_nkw=&_armrs=1&_ipg=&_from=).

You can "follow" our seller ID to see the latest items for sale on your eBay homepage feed. <http://www.ebay.com/usr/oplibrary>

### **A CALL FOR LEGOS AND OTHER TOYS**

Do you have any Legos you are no longer using? The library is gearing up for a new program and is in need of Legos – the standard size. These will be used to inspire creativity in school age children. Please contact our Library Director, Peggy Errington, at 662-9851 if you are able to donate some.

If you have other toys or items that you feel the library may be able to use, such as items for the free play area, please contact Peggy. Remember that parts need to be large enough to be safe for all ages.

### **NEW PROGRAM: 3RD WEDNESDAY BOOK CLUB AT THE LIBRARY**

At 1:00 PM on the 3rd Wednesday of every month in the Community Room, meet to discuss the book of the month. Book selection is made by reader suggestions and then general consensus of the group. All books must be available in the Erie County Library system.

August 20th we will discuss *The Language of Flowers* by Vanessa Diffenbaugh  
A mesmerizing, moving and elegantly written debut novel, *The Language of Flowers* beautifully weaves past and present, creating a vivid portrait of an unforgettable woman whose gift for flowers helps her change the lives of others even as she struggles to overcome her own troubled past.

September 17th we will discuss *The Last Jew* by Noah Gordon.

"The year is 1492, the Inquisition has all of Spain in its grip. Yonah Toledano, the 15 year old son of a Spanish silversmith has seen his father and brother die during the days of the Inquisition - victims whose murders go almost unnoticed in the time of mass upheaval. Trapped in Spain by circumstances, he is determined to honor his family by remaining a Jew."

### **SUMMER READING LISTS**

The library has copies of all the reading lists for the area schools. Book Report forms for OPMS 6th grade students are also available. If your child has not completed the required summer reading, be sure to stop in and take a look!

### **SUMMER READING PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES**

Lots of great options for summer reading programs during summer vacation! Stop in to the library and load up on books!

*B&ECPL Summer Reading Contests:* Summer Reading participants are asked to write brief book reviews, each of which counts as an entry in a random prize drawing! Prizes include Amazon gift cards and a Kindle! Contest runs June - August.

[Fizz Boom Read! Summer Reading for Kids](#)

[Spark a Reaction! Summer Reading for Teens](#)

[Literary Elements - Summer Reading for Adults](#)

*Barnes and Noble* offers a summer reading program where children grades K - 6 can earn a free book. Visit the [store's website](#) for the form and more information.

Buffalo's Mayor Brown offers a *Summer Reading Challenge* to all Erie County residents entering grades K - 12. Read seven books from the reading list and write a brief summary of each. You will be invited to a celebration at the convention center and be eligible to win a prize. Last year's prizes included scholarships, bikes, school supplies, toys and many other items. Visit Mayor Brown's [website](#) for more info.

### **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.

## Children's programs:

Register now for the [Fall 2014 story hours](#). You may register at the library or by phone at 662-9851.

## Adult Programs

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

## Teen Programs

Beginning September 9th: [Bookends](#)

## Summer Happenings:

### Summer Reading Programs For All Ages

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### Special August Event:

[Legislature Mills annual hotdog roast and Library Fundraiser.](#) Legislature Mills will host his 7th annual hot dog roast Friday, August 15th, 11 am - 3 pm. Proceeds will be donated to the Orchard park Library.

## August Happenings:

### Children's programs:

Sign up for our [Fall Story Hours at the Library](#). Programs begin September 8th.

[Doug the "Bubbleman"](#) August 15<sup>th</sup> 1-2 p.m. Returning for his annual visit is one of the most popular performers the Orchard Park Library hosts. Let Doug entertain and amaze you with his sleight of hand bubble magic.

[Lego Club:](#) August 16<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. This exciting children's program will run the third Saturday of every month for ages 6-12 years. Free creative building and much more.

### Adult Programs:

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## September Happenings:

**"Friends" of the Orchard Park Public Library book sale.**

September 5<sup>th</sup>, 6th and 7th.

**Friday** September 5th at 5 p.m.- 7 p.m. for members of the "Friends of the Orchard Park Library" only.  
**Saturday**, September 6<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10 a.m. from 2-3 p.m. \$5.00 a bag.  
**Sunday**, September 7<sup>th</sup> from 12-3 p.m. \$2.00 a bag.

### **Children's Programs:**

[Fall Story Hours at the Library](#). New session begins September 8<sup>th</sup>.

[ZooMobile](#): Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. Once again the Buffalo Zoo will bring wild exotic animals to entertain and educate. Fun for the whole family.

[Lego Club](#): September 20<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. This exciting children's program will run the third Saturday of every month for ages 6-12 years. Free creative building and much more.

[Mini Book](#): Children between the ages of 6-10 yrs are invited to the library on Monday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 4:30 p.m. to participate in a new exciting program Mini Book. Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup> is the International Day of Peace and the library would like to celebrate that day by presenting this exciting new program, Mini Books will allow children to create their very own peace themed "Mini book". Registration is required.

### **Teen Programs:**

["Bookends"](#) Will take place the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. A teen program that does more than just read books. Come experience all the fun.

### **Adult Programs:**

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### **BPOventions:**

September 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. "The music of symphonic forms". Presented by the Buffalo and Erie County Public Library and the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra.

[Computer Class: Apps for Tablets & Smartphones](#).

Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup> from 2-4 p.m. Discover a variety of the best Apple and Android apps. You'll learn best practices for choosing, downloading, and managing your apps. Please bring your fully charged Apple or Android device to class.

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

There will be no 4th Tuesday Speaker Series in August. Please join us for our next Speaker on Tuesday, September 23, 2014.

For more information on our 4th Tuesday Speaker Series, please visit the Friends website at [www.friendsofoplibrary.org](http://www.friendsofoplibrary.org).

**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.

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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. Look for the golden membership cards in the Book Nook or by the checkout stations. All are welcome and together we make a difference!