

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

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Note from the President of the Friends Board:

Calling all witches, ghosts, skeletons, hobgoblins and other little folk to the Library for our Halloween Party. We had so much fun last year, we decided to do it again. Party masters Sharon Spagnoli and daughter Victoria Sturman are hoping to see you all at the Library on Thursday, October 30th from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Be sure to have the youngsters in your life participate in the Coloring Contest too! See below in the newsletter for more information on the party, contest, and on being a volunteer at the party.

Come to our Special Book Sale October 31st and November 1st. Additional details in the newsletter below about the sale and some featured books.

What makes a book Special? It could be a First Edition, or author autographed or a very old book in good condition. Or it could have rare illustrations or pictures or photographs. You are sure to find a book to suit your particular interests. Our sale is like going to a Book Museum.

Estelle Adelman, manager of the sale, states that each book for sale has been researched for value and is priced at a fraction of the average price a book dealer would charge.

Check out the back and front covers of the 1880 copy of *Stanley's Wonderful Adventures in Africa*. Do you like Opera? See our 1939 authorized illustrated edition of the opera *The Valkyrie* published by the Metropolitan Opera Guild, Inc.

David M. Smeltz, author of the Adventures of Sidney Sawyer Series, appeared at our 4th Tuesday September program. His character, Sidney Sawyer (Tom Sawyer's younger brother), recounts his Civil War experiences. His well-researched books are available in book stores and from the author himself at davidsmeltz@hotmail.com

We still have a few of the large library folding tables for sale. They sell for \$20.00 each.

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NATIONAL FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY WEEK

October 18 - 24 is National Friends of the Library week. Show your support for the Friends and your Orchard Park Public Library. Buy a book from the Book Nook or Book Cart, donate a book you've finished, ask about volunteering, offer to speak at a 4th Tuesday event, or best of all, become a member of the Friends! [So many ways](#) to help support your library. Learn more about the Friends, how we support the Orchard Park Public Library, and ways to help by visiting our website. <http://www.friendsofoplibrary.org/>

4th TUESDAY SPEAKER SERIES

Join us for the 4th Tuesday Speaker Series at the library. Come on the 4th Tuesday of the month, from September to May, to enjoy a variety of topics. The programs begin at 7:00 p.m. and are held in the Community Room at the Orchard Park Public Library.

Our Fall 4th Tuesday Speaker Series lineup includes:

- **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
- **November 25** - Dennis Popielinski, who will speak on the history of the Orchard Park Fire Company.

For more information on these programs, please visit our new website at www.friendsofoplibrary.org.

SPECIAL BOOK SALE OCT 31 - NOV 1

SPECIAL BOOK SALE sponsored by the Friends of the Orchard Park Library will be held Friday, October 31, 3 - 5 p.m. and Saturday, November 1, 10 - 2 p.m. in the Library's meeting room.

This unique sale features rare, out of print and collectible books that have never been seen in the Friends' BOOK NOOK ongoing sale. Each volume has been researched and priced at a fraction of the average book dealer requested price.

Book lovers, collectors and others are encouraged to attend. There is always a treasure to be found!

Some featured items include:

12 volumes of the Hardy Boys series from 1965 - 1975 by Franklin W. Dixon

Stanley's Wonderful Adventures in Africa by Headley and Johnson, c. 1889' "richly illustrated".

Moon River and Me, a remarkable memoir by Andy Williams, popular and beloved entertainer of the 20th century, c.2009, signed.

The Year of Decision: 1846 by Bernard DeVoto, c.1943, discusses the national expansion in America which brought changes in our history - political, economic, social, industrial, intellectual and emotional.

Ghosts Along the Mississippi: The Magic of the Houses of Louisiana by Clarence J. Laughlin, c.1968, revised edition, 100 black and white illustrations throughout, an essay in the poetic interpretation of Louisiana's plantation architecture.

Wagner's *Ring of the Nibelung*, The Valkyrie adapted by Robert Lawrence and illustrated by Alexandre Serebriakoff, c.1939, by the Metropolitan Opera Guild, Inc. One of the greatest musical dramas - the story of Siegmund and Sieglinde and the brave Brunnhilde.

One Hundred Great Guns by Merrill Lindsay, c. 1967, an illustrated history of firearms.

EBAY BOOK SALES

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

- *Atlas Shrugged* by Ayn Rand, 1957.
- *Lost Moons* by Jack Vance (Rare Trade 1st Edition)
- *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee
- *Without a Word* by Jill Kelly - Family signed 1st Edition

For more information, please visit our eBay store at

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 homepage feed.

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

HALLOWEEN COLORING CONTEST

The Friends of the Orchard Park Library will once again be holding its annual [Halloween Coloring Contest](#) and Trick-or-Treat Party this year.

The Coloring Contest will take place from Tuesday, October 21 through Tuesday, October 28 and is for children in Pre-School through Fifth Grade. Coloring pages will be available at the Library starting Tuesday, October 21. All colored pictures are due back to the Library no later than 5 p.m. on Tuesday, October 28.

This year the Friends will be giving out several awards: Best Pre-School Coloring; Scariest Picture & Cutest Picture, Kindergarten through Second Grade; Scariest Picture & Cutest Picture, Third through Fifth Grades.

Winners will be announced during our annual Halloween Trick-or-Treat Party on Thursday, October 30.

TRICK-OR-TREAT PARTY!

Please join us for the annual Friends of the Orchard Park Public Library Halloween [Trick-or-Treat Party](#) on Thursday, October 30 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

This event will provide families with a safe and fun environment for their children to trick-or-treat. We expect to have at least four trick-or-treat stations throughout the library. Refreshments will also be provided and a Special Guest will be reading spooky, silly Halloween stories to the children.

This is a FREE event and is open to families throughout the area.

Winners of the Halloween Coloring Contest will also be announced at the end of the party.

GHOULS & GHOSTS NEEDED TO VOLUNTEER AT HALLOWEEN PARTY!!!

The Friends of the Orchard Park Public Library is looking for at least seven members to volunteer to help out at our annual [Halloween Trick-or-Treat Party](#). The party will take place on Thursday, October 30 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

We need people to dress up and act as greeters for the families when they arrive, to hand out candy to the children and to help serve refreshments. We are also looking for someone who would be willing to dress up in full costume to read stories to the children at about 7 p.m.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Victoria Sturman at vsturman@brightandbrainycm.com or call 740-8077.

BOOK SALE SUCCESS

Thank you to all who helped with the September Book Sale and all who purchased books. It was our best sale on record! The unsold books were donated to Peace Prints Prison Ministries, American Assoc. of University Women, ECOM, Summit Educational Services, Amvets, and St. John Vianney Church,

If you know of a charity that would be interested in the unsold books, please contact us. No books are carried over from sale to sale. Be sure to come to each sale and see what is new!

The next sale will be December 5, 6, and 7. Check our [website](#) for future book sale dates.

UPDATE ON LEGO CLUB

Thank you to those who have donated Legos to the library. Additional donations are always welcome as Lego Club is becoming a popular event. Stop in to the library and view this month's creations.

Each month a story is selected and read to the group. Any element from the story can be the inspiration for that month's Lego creation. Finished projects are displayed in the library for several weeks.

UPDATE ON BATTLE OF THE BOOKS

An Update from Head Coach Amy Glende

This year, the Orchard Park Battle Teams had 19 team members, 10 Student Coaches and 2 volunteer coaches. Our teams competed beautifully and took 5th, 9th and 14th place. Summer highlights included Battle Bash (a Saturday retreat from 1-11 p.m.), a Family Day at Hidden Valley Animal Adventure Park and the After-Party.

I have high hopes for next year, as NONE of this year's team members will age out. A first in all of my years here! Team members can be in 5th – 8th grades on the 2nd Tuesday in May - our informational meeting and the start of Battle training. Sign-up begins the Monday after Easter each year. If all of our contestants return we will have room to add 5 more team members next year.

We have had a wonderful Battle Season because of the Friends' hard work and dedication to youth services our library. Thank you on my behalf, that of the library, and all of the families who benefit from your commitment.



2014 Orchard Park Battle of the Books Teams Thank the Friends of the Library!

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HIGHLIGHTING THE BOOKENDS CLUB

by program leader, Amy Glende

BookendS Library Club had begun! Kids in grades 5 and up are welcome to gather with like minds and relax at the library. We have meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 7-8:30 p.m. We have some exciting things planned this year. In October we will have a costume party with plenty of frighteningly good treats to gobble up. In November (the 3rd Tuesday since we will be closed for Veteran's Day on the 2nd Tuesday) we will be making Holiday wreaths by recycling discarded books, January will be Board Game Night and May, as always, is Make Fun of a Movie Month. All of this is made possible by the Friend's generous funding and we are grateful for providing us the means to create such a wonderful program.

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.

Teen Programs

[BookendS](#) meets once a month. Come join the fun!

Adult Programs

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

October Events:

CLOSED October 13th In observance of Columbus Day.

Flu & Pneumonia Vaccinations: VNA, the Visiting Nurses Association will be at the Orchard Park Library on Wednesday, October 8th from 1-5 p.m. to provide Flu vaccinations to those people 9 years and older. Parent or Guardian must be present and sign consent for ages 9-17 yrs. Medicare part B, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Independent Health and Univera are all accepted. Preservative free vaccine available for anyone who is pregnant. Flumist nasal spray available for ages 9-49, healthy and not pregnant.

Children's Programs:

[Winter Story Hours at the Library](#). New session registration begins October 20th

[Nickel City Reptiles](#): Saturday, October 4th at 1 p.m. Nickel City Reptile and Exotics presents a large array of reptiles, embracing snakes, strange toads, awesome alligators, giant turtles and more. Don't miss this very special program. Registration is required.

[It's a Mystery](#): Monday, October 6th at 4:30 p.m. Special children's program presented by the Central Library Children's Department. "It's a Mystery": Some favorite children's book characters have gone missing! Children will be provided with clever disguises, sleuthing supplies and clues in order to solve a mystery! Registration is required.

Lego Club: October 18th 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. Registration is required.

Halloween Coloring Contest: Children ages Preschool to 5th grade may participate. The Coloring Contest will take place from Tuesday, Oct. 21 through Tuesday, October 28. Coloring pages will be available at the Library starting Tuesday, Oct. 21. All colored pictures are due back to the Library no later than 5 p.m. on Tuesday, October 28. Prizes for the Most Creatively Colored Pumpkin and the Scariest Colored Pumpkin will be awarded in the K to 2nd grade category and the 3rd to 5th grade category. There will also be a prize for the Best Colored Pumpkin in the Preschool and Under category. The winners will be announced at Trick-or-Treat Party, right after Storytime, on Thursday, Oct. 30. Coloring pages will be on display at the library.



"Not so Spooky Stories": Saturday, October 25th at 1 p.m. Please come for a frightfully good time with "Not so Spooky Stories" and much more. Anne Marie Jason will once again spin seasonal stories that will entertain our little ghosts and goblins. Registration is required.

Library Trick-or-Treat Party: Thursday, October 30th, 6-7:30 p.m. Please join the Friends of the Orchard Park Library for a family-friendly Halloween party at the Orchard Park Library. Children (and parents) in costumes are VERY welcome and encouraged. Trick-or-treat in a safe environment. Cider and snacks will be available. Decorate your own small trick-or-treat bag before gathering goodies. Listen to some spookily fun stories. Look for your colored pumpkin picture in the library! Join in some fun!

Teen Programs:

Tuesday, October 14th "BookendS" This teen program will take place the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7p.m. BookenderS do much more than read books. Come experience all the fun.

Adult Programs:

BPOvations "Rachmaninoff Festival" October 8th at 6:30 p.m. The BPO is celebrating Rachmaninoff in a festival of his works including his romantic Symphony No. 2. This lecture series is presented by the Buffalo and Erie County Public Library and the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra.

3rd Wednesday Book Club

The 3rd Wednesday book club will be discussing the Pulitzer Prize winning book *Five Days at Memorial: Life and Death in a Storm Ravaged Hospital* by Sheri Fink. This controversial book tells the story of the New Orleans Memorial hospital and the events that took place there before, during and after Hurricane Katrina. Please consider joining us for a discussion of this book on Wednesday October 15th at 1:00 p.m. in the Community Room. All are welcome.

4th Tuesday Speaker Series: Tuesday, October, 28th at 7 p.m. "The Iroquois (Haudenosaunee) People of New York State". Speaker, Jon Roth will discuss the history and culture of the Iroquois people, their storytelling, a collection of artifacts and historic games. Presented by the "Friends" of the Orchard Park Library.

Computer Class: Tuesday, October 28th at 2-4 p.m. Research your "Family History" using the Buffalo & Erie County Library's "Ancestry Library Database". Registration is required.

"Special Book Sale" Friday, October 31st at 3-5 p.m. and Saturday, November 1st at 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. This unique sale features rare, out of print and collectible books that have not been seen in the "Friends" book nook.

November Events:

CLOSED:

November 11th, In observance of Veterans Day.

November 27th, In observance of Thanksgiving.

Children's Programs:

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

Hawk Creek Wildlife Preserve: Saturday, November 8th at 1 p.m. This presentation includes exotic animals, a slide show, and touchable animal artifacts. Registration is required.

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November 5th at 6:30 p.m. Paul Ferington, long-time member of the BPO conducting staff, will present a free music appreciation talk on "Music Travels through Europe" Discover the stories behind some of the season's place-centric symphony nicknames.

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The 3rd Wednesday book club will be discussing *The Story Teller* by Jodi Picoult. Please consider joining us for a discussion of this book on Wednesday November 19th at 1:00 p.m. in the Community Room. All are welcome.

The December selection is *The Orphan Train* by Christina Baker Kline.

4th Tuesday Speaker Series: Tuesday, November 25th at 7 p.m. "The History of the Orchard Park Fire District." Presented by Dennis Popielinski of the Hillcrest Fire Department. Dennis will discuss the three fire departments in the district: Hillcrest, Orchard Park and Windom. A question and answer period will follow. Dennis is an Orchard Park resident, curator of the Jolls History Museum, and is the Orchard Park Fire District Historian.

Computer Class: Thursday, November 6th at 2-4 p.m. "All Things Audio" An introduction to streaming and downloading digital music and products using Spotify, Soundcloud, iTunes, and Freegal.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

For more information on our 4th Tuesday Speaker Series, please visit the Friends website at www.friendsofoplibrary.org.

NEXT BOOK SALE DATES- December 5, 6, and 7. Please note that the Friends Members only night on **Dec 5 will have hours from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. This is one hour earlier than usual.** We are trying out a new schedule. Please let us know your thoughts on the new timing.

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!