

Friends of the Orchard Park Public Library

A 501(C) (3) nonprofit organization supporting the Orchard Park Public Library



April 2016 Newsletter and Upcoming Events

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

Note from the President of the Friends Board:

The Orchard Park Board of Trustees thank everyone who participated in the survey about our library building. The Board members were delighted with so many positive responses. In the future, they will try to address any concerns which may have been expressed.

"What's New in Buffalo?", our March 4th Tuesday program, drew a large interested crowd Tuesday night. Mr. Chuck La Chiusa, president of "Explore Buffalo" tour company, brought his audience up-to-date on the present usage and future plans for many of Buffalo's older buildings. He talked about the Market Arcade, The Fairmont Creamery, the Larkin Building, the grain elevators, the New York Central Railroad Station, the Tischmann Building and many other landmark structures

Come to April's 4th Tuesday on April 26th to hear Mr. Marty Biniasz talk about "The History of the Erie County Fair". Mr Biniasz' discussion will cover 177 years of agriculture and excitement. It will be a multi-media summary presentation featuring archival photos and videos. He will discuss the fair's colorful history and how it has impacted our WNY community for many decades.

The Sunday Bag Sale at our March Book Sale was especially busy and cleared many shelves. We closed the sale at three o'clock, had the remaining books all boxed and the shelves taken down before four o'clock. Thanks to everyone who helped with the sale from the beginning to the end.

The bags for the next sale in May will be improved and will be much stronger. The left over books were given to the Vietnam Veterans of America, the Cancer Society, Haiti Connection, Gowanda Correctional Facility and the Alden-Marilla Food Pantry.

Former Friends member Suzanne Langworthy has passed away. She was one of several members who started our very successful Book Nook.

The next Board Meeting will be Wednesday, April 27th. All Friends members are welcome to attend.

On Wednesday, April 6 at 10:00 am, we will be stuffing envelopes. The library is closed for usual business but you can come in if you ring the bell next to the door. Come join us. It is a nice mindless job and fun, too. These are our annual membership letters. We hope to see you then. Thanks for joining us.

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4th TUESDAY SPEAKER SERIES

Our next 4th Tuesday Speaker presentation will be on Tuesday, April 26 at 7 pm.

Mr. Marty Biniasz talk about "The History of the Erie County Fair". Mr Biniasz' discussion will cover 177 years of agriculture and excitement. It will be a multi-media summary presentation featuring archival photos and videos. He will discuss the fair's colorful history and how it has impacted our WNY community for many decades.

For more information on our 4th Tuesday Speaker Series schedule, click [here](#) to visit our website.

EBAY BOOK SALES

There are several books available for sale on our ongoing [eBay auction site](#). This has been a successful new avenue for the Friends to make select books available for sale. Check them out and notice our 100% Positive rating for previous sales!

For more information, please visit [our eBay store](#).

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

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

On Wednesday, April 6 at 10:00 am, we will be stuffing envelopes for our annual membership mailing. The library is closed for usual business but you can come in if you ring the bell next to the door. Enjoy good company and conversation while we fold letters, apply labels and stamps, then stuff and seal the envelopes. Come join us.

Volunteers for book sale will be needed in May. Please see details below. In addition to regular sorting and selling tasks, we would welcome any men available to help set up shelves and move boxes on Wednesday morning, May 18, any time after 9:30.

MAY 20, 21, AND 22 BOOK SALE - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

It's book sale time again! Our upcoming Book Sale will be held on May 20, 21 and 22.

We are looking for volunteers to help out. In addition to regular sorting and selling tasks, we would welcome any men available to help set up shelves and move boxes on Wednesday morning, May 18, any time after 9:30 am.

Contact Linda Boldt if you would like to help with the setting up, the sale and /or the take down. She can be reached at 662-2409 or at lboldt36@verizon.net. 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: Wednesday, May 18, in the afternoon,
Thursday, May 19, in the morning and afternoon, and
Friday, May 20, in the morning.

Hours for Book Sale Weekend: see below.

Take down hours: Sunday, May 22, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

BOOK SALE NEXT MONTH - MAY 20 - 22

Come shop for some great books to read! Can't wait til the sale? Stop in and browse our Book Nook and Book Carts for items available for sale every day.

Our upcoming Book Sale will be held on **May 20, 21, and 22**. Book sale pricing can be viewed [here](#).

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

Friday - Members of Friends Only 4 - 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.

A CALL FOR BAGS AND BOXES, TOO!

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

Empty paper cases from your place of employment would also be appreciated. These sturdy boxes stack well in our shed, helping us store donated books until our sale weekends.

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS VOTING - KIDS CHOICE - ENDS APR 8

If your child would like to vote for the 5th book used in the Battle of the Books program, please visit the [B&ECPL library website](#). Voting ends Friday, April 8. Vote for one of the three selections!

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE LIBRARY

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. Check the [Orchard Park Public Library website](#) for the latest event listings.

April Events

Children's Programs

Toddler Time Class begins at 10:30 am on Mondays from March 14th—April 18th - A fun and gentle introduction to reading and group activities geared for children age 2. This program features age appropriate stories, activities, music & movement and a craft. Registration begins Monday, February 22nd.

Preschool Story Hour Class begins at 10:30am on Tuesdays from March 15th—April 19th. Help your child get excited about reading and develop preschool readiness skills at the library! This program features several age appropriate books, and hands-on activities that reinforce the themes of the stories! Get ready for school and have fun at the library! Registration begins Monday, February 22nd.

Independent Preschool Story Hour Sessions are at 10:30am on Thursdays from March 17th through April 21st. Help your child get excited about reading and develop preschool readiness skills at the library with several age appropriate books, hands-on activities that reinforce the themes of the stories! Children at this story time are encouraged to attend independently while their caregiver enjoys the library! Registration begins Monday, February 22nd.

Lapsit Story Hours Lapsit begins at 10:30am on Fridays from March 18th through April 22nd. This class will introduce toddlers ages 6—18 months to reading and group activities from the comfort and security of your lap! Caregivers are encouraged to help their child participate in the age appropriate stories, activities and music. Registration begins Monday, February 22nd.

Hangin' at the Coolest Public Library Mondays at 4:30pm from Monday March 14th through April 18th Join Miss Laurie for a different book-based theme every week! Activities, crafts and snacks for children ages 6-12. Registration begins Monday, February 22nd.

Lego Club Saturday April 16th at 1pm Complete LEGO challenges and explore a different LEGO theme every month! Best suited for children ages 5—12. Sign up begins on April 1st.

It's the Checker's Show! On Saturday April 2nd at 1pm Join us at the Orchard Park Library for an Amazing magic show geared toward children of all ages. Juggling, HUGE magic wand and a THE giant balloon stunt! Lots of audience participation - guaranteed fun for children of all ages! Please call 662-9851 to register!

Peewee Puppets presents "Horton Hatches the Egg" The Orchard Park Library has invited PeeWee Puppets to present one of Dr. Seuss' classic tales, "Horton Hatches the Egg", Saturday, April 9th at 1pm. This lively production includes colorful characters, music, audience participation and more! The show runs approximately 35 minutes and is followed by an exciting puppet building workshop in the meeting room afterward – stay and build your very own puppet! Registration will begin on March 19th. Call 662-9851 to register.

Fun with the Hungry Caterpillar!—visit with the Hungry Caterpillar and all of his friends with this fun program geared toward kids ages 3-7. Read some books, play games and make a craft at the library! Registration is required and will begin on Saturday April 2nd.

Star Wars Day at the Library! Saturday, April 30th from 1-3pm. Gear up for International Star Wars Day with a party at the library! There will be a spaceship building pit, light saber making, and a scavenger hunt along with a visit from some special out-of-this-galaxy guests. Costumes are absolutely welcome! Call 662-9851 to register!

Teen Programs

BookendS If you are in grades 5- 12 and enjoy books and fun, join the BookendS Library Club at the Orchard Park Public Library! Tweens and teens meet monthly for snacks, friendship, and fun! April's meeting will take place on Tuesday, April 12th at 7pm.

Living Career Library: Focus on Medical Professionals The Orchard Park Public Library is hosting it's 3rd living career library event on Sunday April 17th from 1pm-3pm. This program is a great opportunity for teens in grades 5-12 to meet and speak to adult professionals in a number of different medical fields. Registration is required and will begin on April 4th. Registration must be done in person at the library. Please call 662-9851 for more information about the program!

Adult Programs

THE ORCHARD PARK LIBRARY BOOK CLUB: Meetings are at 1:00 PM on the THIRD WEDNESDAY of each month. No pre-registration is needed and you don't even have to have read the book. Everyone is welcome. **April 13th** we will discuss *Breaking Night: a Memoir of Forgiveness, Survival and MY Journey from Homeless to Harvard* by Liz Murray. **May 18th** will be *My Life on the Road* by Gloria Steinem. Please join us !!

Kindle Fire Basics: Thursday April 28th at 2pm Learn about the parts of the Kindle Fire, understand how to use the touch screen, settings, and keyboard and discover how to download and use common Apps. Registration is required and will begin on Thursday April 7th.

Friends of the OP Library 4th Tuesday Speaker Series: Tuesday, April 26th at 7 pm., Marty Biniasz speaks about the History of the Erie County Fair.

***NEW* Adult Coloring Club** will meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month at 7pm - 8:30pm in the meeting room. Our meetings in March will be on Monday, April 11th and Monday, April 25th at 7pm. This club is for adults ages 17 and over to stop in, unplug, and engage in some meditative coloring to increase mental focus and reduce stress. Coloring supplies will be provided, but you may certainly bring your own. Different coloring pages will be provided each meeting. No registration is required.

All Ages Programming

Knitting Club on Wednesdays at 7:30pm. Come down to the Orchard Park Library for a friendly, relaxing meeting of the Knitting Club. Knitting Club is for all ages and experience levels! No registration required. Drop in and see what it's all about!

May Events

The Friends of the Library Quarterly Book Sale May 20 - 22!

Friday, May 20 from 4pm - 7pm - The Friends of the Orchard Park Public Library Book Sale is open to Friends of the Library members only on this Friday. Memberships available at the door. Saturday, May 21 the book sale runs from 10am to 3pm and there will be a \$5.00 bag sale from 2 – 3pm. Sunday, May 22 the sale runs from 12-3pm and books are \$2.00 a bag.

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“Kitchen Colander” Kids Gardening Program—Anne Crinzi is hosting a fun and educational program for kids ages 5—12 to design and plant their very own garden...in a colander! A great opportunity to learn a little bit about gardening while making a Mother's Day gift for someone special! Registration is limited and will begin on April 16th. Please call 662-9851 to register.

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International Starwars Day Celebration at the Orchard Park Library! Join us for a Jedi Training Camp on Wednesday May 4th at 4pm! Sharpen your skills with light saber practice, build and fly your own starship and go on a scavenger hunt! Registration is required and will begin April 13th.

Teen Programming

Battle of the Books meetings begin May 3rd and meet every Tuesday at 7pm in the meeting room through August 2nd. Join the #1 book trivia competition in Erie County! Registration is required. Please call 662-9851 for more details.

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iPad Basics Class Thursday, May 26th at 2pm Learn about the parts of the iPad, understand how to use the touch screen, settings, and keyboard and discover how to download and use common Apps. You must bring your iPad, Apple ID and password and your iPad must be charged and registered prior to the class. Open to ages 17 and above. Registration begins May 5th.

Friends of the Orchard Park Library 4th Tuesday Speaker Series—Tuesday, May 24th at 7pm—Speaker TBA

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NEXT BOOK SALE DATES - For all 2016 book sale dates, including our Special Sale, please see our [website](#).

Become A Member

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!

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