

Friends of the Orchard Park Public Library

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



May 2016 Newsletter and Upcoming Events

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

Note from the President of the Friends Board:

The Erie County Fair has a superb marketing manager, Marin Biniasz. Our 12 day annual fair hosts over a million people every year. It receives no government assistance and is a 501C non profit organization. We learned this at our April 4th Tuesday Speaker Series on April 26. You may wish to welcome the railroad arrival of the James E. Strates Show the Thursday before the fair opens. This is the fair's longest running carnival, over 90 years still running.

The Fairgrounds are busy all year with many different attractions. It is estimated that over 98% of the population at this time have never had any contact with a working farm. To educate our young people, the Fair offers a presentation of modern farm experience at the fairgrounds to school groups at no charge. The program is called "Farm to Table". For more information, call Mr. Biniasz at 649-3900 Ext. 6409.

In true marketing fashion, all 4th Tuesday attendees received a complimentary 1 day ticket to the 2016 fair. We can use it any day we wish.

We will be planning out 2016-2017 4th Tuesday Speaker programs soon. If you know of a speaker or would like to have a a program of particular interest, let us know.

We apologize for the error on the annual dues membership card sent to all our members early in April. The one year membership is still \$10.00 instead of the \$20.00 as printed. If you sent in \$20, you may contact our membership chairman, John O'Connor. He will either refund \$10.00 or apply it to the 2017 dues for you. His phone is 662-5712 or email is jdaocjr@aol.com.

We are looking forward to our next Book Sale on May 20, 21 and 22. We hope to see you then.

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4th TUESDAY SPEAKER SERIES

Our next 4th Tuesday Speaker presentation will be on Tuesday, May 24 at 7 pm.

Our speaker will be Cronan Long, Major Gifts & Planned Giving Officer with Our Lady of Victory Homes of Charity, "Father Baker's".

Topic: "[Father Baker's Today.](#)" "Father Baker's" was founded by the Venerable Nelson Baker in the late 1880s. From a small reform school for young men to a "City of Charity" serving thousands in need, "Father Baker's" continues to evolve to address society's needs and to ensure those in need are cared for.

This will be the last 4th Tuesday Speaker in the current series. We will resume again on September 27 for more great topics.

Have an idea for a presentation? Know a speaker who may be interested? [Please let us know.](#)

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

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME

Thank you to those who have already returned their Membership Application form. The [annual membership letter](#) was sent in March. A Membership Application form was enclosed for the 2016-17 year. Please note that the Individual Membership dues for 2016 were incorrectly listed on the Membership Application. The yearly dues are still \$10 for an Individual Membership.

We apologize for this error on the 2016 membership applications. Annual individual dues are still \$10.00 instead \$20.00 as printed. If you wrote a check for \$20.00, we will automatically apply \$10.00 to your 2017 dues. However, if you would like a refund, please contact our Membership Chair and Vice President, John O'Connor at 662-5721 or via e-mail at jdaocjr@aol.com and we will mail you a refund check.

Take a moment to review the [past accomplishments](#) of your Friends group. Visit the [What We Sponsor](#) section of our website to see other ways your membership enhances the library. Your dues help support the programs and purchase materials for our great library.

A Membership Application can be found online [here](#) if you have misplaced yours or you are not currently a member of the Friends.

The Friends is a 100% volunteer group. If you are interested in learning about more ways to get involved, Let us know! Some ideas to consider are on [our website](#). Email us at friendsofoplibrary@gmail.com to learn more.

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>

FRIENDS ANNUAL MEETING

The Friends will hold the annual meeting on June 22nd at 10 a.m. in the library. All members are welcome to attend. The library will be closed but there is a doorbell near the drop box. Please ring that and one of the staff will allow your entry.

VISIT THE LIBRARY FOR A GAME OF CHESS

The Library now has a chess set! The set is available to be checked out for use within the library. Bring a friend and settle in for a good game. The set can be checked out for an hour at a time.

Bring someone younger than you and teach them to play! Don't know how to play? There are many sites online to help you learn. Here are a couple to start you off.

<http://www.chesscorner.com/tutorial/learn.htm>

<http://www.thechesswebsite.com/>

BOOK SALE THIS 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.

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Hours for Book Sale Weekend:

(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.

SPRING CLEANING?

Remember the Friends when doing your spring cleaning. Check our [website](#) to see what items are accepted. Paperback books are in high demand during the summer months.

Also, the library is always interested in Legos for Lego Club and toys that would be appropriate in the children's section. Should you have something you wish to donate, please contact our library director, Peggy Errington, at 662-9851. Remember that parts need to be large enough to be safe for all ages (except the Legos).

IDEA FOR TEACHER GIFTS

Consider a Friends of the Orchard Park Public Library canvas tote bag filled with books as a gift for your child's teacher. Books are always available for sale on the two Book Carts in the library and the Book Nook in the lobby. There is a book sale May 20 - 22 where you may find the perfect fillers for it, too! Tote bags are on display near the checkout stations and are for sale at the reference desk. [You can preview the bag on our website.](#)

SUMMER READING PROGRAM IN THE AREA

Barnes and Noble

Barnes and Noble offers a summer reading program where children grades K - 6 can earn a free book starting May 17. Visit the [store's website](#) for the form and more information.

Mayor Byron Brown's Reading Rules Summer Reading Challenge

Buffalo's Mayor Brown offers a Reading Rules! Summer Reading Challenge to all Erie County residents entering grades K - 12. The kickoff for the 15th annual challenge will be kicking off soon. Watch next month's newsletter for details.

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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.

May Events

The Orchard Park Public Library will be closed until 5 pm on Wednesday, May 11th to allow staff attend Buffalo & Erie County Public Library System Staff Development Day. The Orchard Park Library WILL BE OPEN 5 - 9, May 11th.

FEATURED EVENTS:

ARTSPLASH 2016

The Orchard Park Central School District presents **ARTSPLASH 2016** Opening Reception Friday, May 13th from 7:30-9:00 pm at the Orchard Park Public Library. ART ON DISPLAY from May 13th - May 27th.

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Lego Club Saturday May 14th at 1pm Complete LEGO challenges and explore a different LEGO theme every month! Best suited for children ages 5—12. Sign up begins on May 1st. Registration is required.

Teen Programming

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Adult Programming

ORCHARD PARK BOOK CLUB - No registration needed - just stop in the meeting room on the **THIRD WEDNESDAY** of any month and join in a lively book discussion. May 18th we will discuss [My Life on the Road](#) by Gloria Steinem HQ1413.S675 A3 2015. June 15th will be [In the Sanctuary of Outcasts](#) by Neil White. HV8658 .W528 2010. At the June meeting we will also be making book selections for 2016-2017. A good time to join in and make some recommendations. There will be no meetings in July and August - time to soak up our summer warmth and some good books.

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[BPOvations](#) Wednesday, May 25th at 6:30pm. Path to the BPO - What is the life of a BPO musician like? How does one become a professional orchestral musician? BPO principal timpanist Matthew Bassett shares the uncommon path that a professional musician must take in order to secure a spot in an orchestra, including the audition process that is so unique to the orchestra industry.

[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.

[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 May will be on Monday May 9th at 7pm and Monday, May 23rd 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!

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Juggling Workshop presented by Dave & Kyle Fultz of The Gravitational Bull Juggling Team on Saturday June 4th at 1pm—Join us for a Juggling Workshop hosted by Dave & Kyle Fultz from Gravitational Bull! This workshop is for families with children ages 6 and up. Learn tips and tricks from two master jugglers! Have fun and learn a new skill! Registration is required and will begin on May 14th. Please call 662-9851 to register.

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Mike Randall and Friends— On Wednesday June 22nd at 4pm Mike Randall presents a fun show featuring magic, puppets, storytelling and LOTS of audience participation! For families with kids of all ages! Registration is required and will begin on June 1st.

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Book Talk with Local Author Matt Bindig — Wednesday, June 1st at 6:30pm Local author Matt Bindig will read an excerpt from his debut novel, Nothing Here is Real. There will be a Q & A session and a book signing following the reading. Registration is not required.

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Design a Butterfly Garden—Saturday June 18th at 10:30am This presentation, hosted by the Buffalo & Erie County Botanical Gardens, will teach you about the different species of butterflies that may visit your garden, how to identify both adults and caterpillars and discover tips about plants, garden accessories and design ideas to attract these colorful beauties to your garden! This informative presentation is recommended for ages 17 & up. Registration is required and will begin on May 28th.

eBooks and eReaders Thursday, June 23rd at 2pm. This workshop is designed as a practical, hands-on introduction to downloading eBooks from the library's website for use on personal electronic devices. The focus will be on the Nook, Kindle, iPad & Android devices. There will be a demonstration of the steps required to download and activate necessary software, along with tips to effectively search and browse our OverDrive catalog. A valid B&ECPL Library card is required. Open to ages 17 and above. Registration begins June 2nd.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

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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

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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.

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