Friends of the Orchard Park Public Library



February 2017 Newsletter and Upcoming Events

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NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE FRIENDS BOARD

Dear Friends:

The demise of the book has long been forecasted, as our reliance on technology increases, but a recent poll shows that may not necessarily be true. Libraries are no longer just a location to loan books. They've grown into community centers, where children, youth, and adults can gather to learn new things through a variety of platforms.

But books are still the staple item that keeps our libraries going and, according to a new <u>Gallup Poll</u> (Jan. 6, 2017) the desire to read from an actual book continues to stand strong among Americans. While many people – myself included – own e-readers, nearly 73% of Americans still like the look and feel of a real book over an e-reader. This bodes well for the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library System, which boasts 37 local locations, including Orchard Park.

If you have visited the Orchard Park Public Library lately, you've probably seen how robust it is; the Friends are proud to be a part of that growth. Not only do we fund many programs, but we also purchase books for patrons of the library through our <u>Rose Collection</u>.

While the B&ECPL was built to loan books, we are moving with the times. The B&ECPL also has a digital e-book site where people who use e-readers can download library books for free. There still might be a waiting list for popular titles or authors, but you can request an e-book or audiobook easily and will get notified when that book is ready to be downloaded. To learn more, visit www.buffalo.overdrive.com.

So no matter how you like your read – flipping through a paperback, clicking through an e-reader, or listening to an audiobook on your mp3 player – we've got you covered!

Sincerely,

Victoria R. Sturman, President

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BOOK SALE NEXT MONTH - MARCH 3 - 5

Mark your calendar! Come shop for some great books to read this spring! Start stocking up for summer too.

Our upcoming Book Sale will be held on March 3, 4 and 5. Book sale pricing can be viewed here.

Hours for Book Sale Weekend:

(Membership to the Friends can be purchased or renewed at the sale. Click <u>here</u> for a form.)

Friday - Members of Friends Only; 3 - 6 pm Saturday - 10 - 3 pm; \$5.00 bag sale from 2 - 3 p.m. Sunday - 12 - 3 p.m.; \$2.00 bag sale from 12 - 3 p.m.

If you are aware of charities who would be interested in our unsold books after the sale, please have them contact the Friends.

MARCH 3, 4, AND 5 BOOK SALE - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers to help out with our next book sale. Contact **Linda Boldt** at 662-2409 or lboldt36@verizon.net if you would like to help with the setting up, working the sale. and /or the take down. 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 can give benefits your library.

Set-up hours: Wednesday, March 1, in the afternoon,

Thursday, March 2, in the morning and afternoon

Friday, March 3, in the morning

Hours for Book Sale Weekend: see above.

Take down hours: Sunday, March 5, 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

4th TUESDAY SPEAKER SERIES

Our next 4th Tuesday Speaker Series will be held on **Tuesday**, **Feb. 28** at **7 p.m.** in the Orchard Park Public Library's Community Room. Our speaker will be **Doug McFarland**, who will talk about the history of the **Roycroft Copper Shop and the evolution of copper design**. One of the original craftsmen at Copper Shop was a gentleman named Karl Kipp. If you have any items from the Roycroft Copper Shop, you are encouraged to bring them with you.

For more information on our 4th Tuesday Speaker Series schedule please visit our <u>website</u>. If you know of someone who may be interested in speaking or you have a topic you would like presented, please <u>contact us</u>.

EBAY BOOK SALES

There are several books available for sale on our <u>eBay auction site</u>. We utilize eBay in order to make select books available for sale to the public throughout the year. We replenish our eBay stock on a regular basis and have a 100% Positive rating for previous sales!

For more information, please visit <u>our eBay store</u>. You can "follow" our seller ID to see the latest items for sale on your homepage feed. http://www.ebay.com/usr/oplibrary

eBOOKS, AUDIOBOOKS AND VIDEO AVAILABLE

Traveling and can't get to the library? You can still check out library books, audiobooks and even some videos through the <u>Buffalo & Erie County Public Library Download site</u>. In order to download titles, make sure you have installed the Overdrive software or app onto your phone, tablet, or computer. Click <u>here</u> to learn more from the main B&ECPL library site.

BAGS AND BOXES NEEDED!

Save your Wegmans and Orchard Fresh paper 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.

LIBRARY WINTER READING CONTEST

The Buffalo & Erie County Public Library is holding a Winter Reading Contest from now until March 17, 2017. All you have to do to participate is Sign Up for the Contest online. Once you are registered for the program you can start reading. Once you read a book, login into the B&ECPL website through the following links and write a review of the book you read. That's it. Each review counts as an entry and you can review as many books as you like. Fiction and Non-Fiction books are acceptable. There is a separate contest for Adults and a contest for Kids & Teens.

There will be one winner at each participating library branch for each contest. Each winner will receive an Amazon.com gift card. There will also be one system-wide winner for the Kids & Teens Winter Reading Contest Grand Prize – a family pack of season passes to Fantasy Island!

Here the links:

- Adult Winter Reading Contest
- Kids & Teens Winter Reading Contest

TAX FORMS

Limited tax forms will be available in the library later in January. Electronic filing is highly encouraged. Links to tax forms are available on the <u>library website</u>. Library staff is available to help you download and print the forms. There is a charge of 10 cents per page to print forms at the library.

VISIT THE BOOK NOOK AND BOOK CARTS

Be sure to stop and look at the Book Nook and Book Carts each time you visit the Orchard Park Public Library. Stock up on some good Summer reading! The inventory is always changing! You are sure to find something of interest. The Nook is located to the right of the lobby. Pricing is posted on the wall and on our <u>website</u>. The Carts are facing the entrance to the library, near the center reference desk. Items on the Carts are individually priced. You will find music CD's and audiobooks for sale on the cart. Learn how you can donate your books and materials to support the Friends by visiting our website.

BE A LIFELONG LEARNER

The <u>Community Education Brochure</u> is available online. Check out some of the great learning opportunities in our community!

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE LIBRARY

Note: Some children's programs require registration. Please check the <u>library calendar</u> 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 <u>Orchard Park Public Library website</u> for the latest event listings.

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February Events

Children's Programs

<u>Toddler Time</u> Class begins at **10:30 am on Mondays from January 23 through February 20**. 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 is required. **There will be no class on Tuesday, January 17th.** Sorry, class is FULL.

<u>Preschool Story Hour</u> Class begins at 10:30am on Tuesdays from January 17 through February 21. 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 is required*. Sorry, class is FULL.

<u>Independent Preschool Story Hour</u> Sessions are at **10:30am on Thursdays from January 19 through February 23.** 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 is required*.

<u>Lapsit Story Hours</u> Lapsit begins at **10:30am on Fridays from January 20 through February 24.** 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 Tuesday, January 17th.* Sorry, class is FULL.

<u>Make it Monday</u> Mondays at 4:30pm from **Monday January 23 through February 20.** Join Miss Laurie and friends for a different craft or activity challenge every week! Use your creative problem solving and your imagination to create, invent, or build! *Registration is required*.

Teen Programs

BookendS Book Club 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! January's meeting will take place on **Wednesday, February 15 at 7pm**. *No registration required*.

Adult Programs

Organzing your Computer Files & Folders Thursday, February 16, from 2 to 4 p.m. Have you ever lost anything you've saved to your computer? Can't find that picture you wanted to attach to an email? This class shows how to save files to the computer so you can find them again! Use these skills to arrange your digital photos into album folders or organize other files. This class is based on Windows 10 and requires a basic knowledge of computers. Registration is required.

Orchard Park Library Book Club Meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 1 pm in the Community Meeting room. All are welcome. Wednesday, February 15, we will be discussing Louise Erdrich's The Round House. This book won the National Book Award for fiction in 2012. "It weaves a tale of crime and justice through the eyes of a 13-year-old Ojibwe boy, Joe. His life on an Indian reservation in North Dakota is a world removed from the America most readers are familiar with; here, Indian law reigns sovereign and poverty runs rampant."

Adult Coloring Club Meets the 4th Monday of each month from 6 to 8:30pm in the Community Meeting room. We will meet on Monday, February 27. 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*.

4th Tuesday Speaker Series – Tuesday, Feb. 28, at 7 p.m. in the Community Meeting room. Doug McFarland presents "History of the Roycroft". Doug will talk about the history of the **Roycroft Copper Shop and the evolution of copper design.** If you have any items from the Roycroft Copper Shop, you are encouraged to bring them with you. *No registration is required.*

All Ages Programs

<u>Cookbook Club!</u> Join us Thursday February 16th, 2016 at 7pm at the Orchard Park Library to meet fellow foodies, cookbook enthusiasts and wonderful people that will enrich your culinary interests! Open to adults and children of all ages! Get ready for a fun and entertaining potluck book discussion. There is always a copy at the front desk available to browse and make photocopies. For questions or to register please call 662-9851.

Advanced Chess Workshop Sunday, February 19 from 2-4 pm. Learn techniques of the game with this two hour long workshop taught by official USCF Chess Coach Michael McDuffie! Chess boards & pieces will be provided. Please bring a pad and a pencil/pen. Free and open to child and adults ages 10 & up! *Registration required*.



BECOME A MEMBER

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

DONATIONS ALWAYS WELCOME!

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