

# Friends of the Orchard Park Public Library

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



## Summer 2017 Newsletter and Upcoming Events

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

### NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE FRIENDS BOARD

Dear Friends:

We wish everyone a safe and happy summer! Stop in to the Orchard Park Public Library to check out some great reading material or purchase something from the Book Nook or Carts for your poolside or travel reading. Don't forget the online reading and resources available at <http://www.buffalolib.org/>. These are available 24/7! Not sure how to use the technology? Book a technology trainer on July 25 or August 18 – more details in the calendar of events below.

When you are out and about in Orchard Park, be sure to visit one of the Little Free Libraries around town. Read more below about these libraries built and maintained by a local Girl Scout troop.

In the July Buffalo Spree edition, the director of the Buffalo and Erie County Public Library was interviewed. [Check out this link](#) to read her views on today's libraries.

Feel free to contact me at [president@friendsofoplibrary.org](mailto:president@friendsofoplibrary.org) if you are interested in volunteering or have any suggestions for the Friends.

Sincerely,

Victoria R. Sturman, President

### Save the Date for these upcoming Friends events

#### **BEGINNER CHESS WORKSHOP IN JULY**

The Friends of the Orchard Park Public Library is pleased to offer a **FREE Chess for Beginners Workshop** from **1:30 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, July 29** at the Orchard Park Public Library. This workshop is aimed at beginners and is for children ages 10 and up and adults.

The workshop will be taught by United States Chess Foundation (USCF) Chess Coach Michael McDuffie. It will be held in the Community Room at the library.

Mr. McDuffie will offer instruction on how to play this ancient game of strategy. Registration is required. It is first come, first serve. A sign-up sheet will be available at the library or you may call 662-9851.

Chess boards and pieces will be provided, but it is recommended that participants bring a pad and pen for note taking.

### **QUARTERLY BOOK SALE – SEPTEMBER 8, 9, AND 10**

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

Our upcoming Book Sale will be held on **September 8, 9 and 10**. 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 [here](#) 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](#).

### **4th TUESDAY SPEAKER SERIES**

Join us **September 26 at 7pm** when our series resumes! For more information on our 4th Tuesday Speaker Series schedule please visit our [website](#) later this summer.

If you know of someone who may be interested in speaking or you have a topic you would like presented, please [contact us](#).

### **FRIENDS ANNUAL MEETING**

The Friends will hold the annual meeting on **July 27 at 6 p.m.** in the library. All members are welcome to attend.

### **JUNE BOOK SALE SUCCESS**

We had another successful book sale in June. Thanks to all those who volunteered at the sale and who purchased books. If you know of a charity that would be interested in the unsold books of future sales, please [contact us](#). No books are carried over from sale to sale. Be sure to come to each sale and see what is new! Check our [website](#) for 2017 book sale dates, including the Special Sale date

### **BE A LIFELONG LEARNER**

The [Community Education Brochure](#) is available online. Check out some of the great learning opportunities in our community this summer!

### **LITTLE FREE LIBRARIES IN ORCHARD PARK**

Local Cadette Girl Scout Troop 31301 has created Little Free Libraries and placed them around the town of Orchard Park and the surrounding area as part of their Silver Award Project. The Little Free Libraries look like large bird houses and have many books inside. As a way to help promote literacy, visitors may take a book and are encouraged to leave a book in its place. The inventory in the libraries is always changing and there are books for every age group. You can feel free to write a review for the book on a sticky note and leave it on the inside of the book to encourage others to select it. Come and check out these libraries if you get a chance, they are open 24/7!

There are Little Free Libraries in all 50 states and 70 other countries around the world! To learn more about the global Little Free Library movement, visit [littlefreelibrary.org](http://littlefreelibrary.org) on the web. You might find a book you like, so see if there is one located near the place you travel next! Visit our Girl Scout troop's Facebook page to see pictures of our Little Free Libraries, [www.facebook.com/gstroop31301](http://www.facebook.com/gstroop31301). If you have questions or would like to contact us, email us at [gstroop31301@gmail.com](mailto:gstroop31301@gmail.com).

The locations of the libraries are:

- St. Mark's Episcopal Church
- Birdsong Parklands
- Yates Park (Green Lake)
- Southtowns Family Center by the Orchard Park Presbyterian Church
- Elma United Methodist Church

### **KIDS 16 AND UNDER - READ DOWN YOUR FINES!**

Do you have fines on your library account? Come to the library and read! You will reduce your fines while enjoying a good book. Be sure to check in with a librarian before you read to get full credit for your time. Earn \$1 toward your fines for each 15 minutes of reading. Teens 13 - 16, earn even more by reading to a younger child. See [this flyer](#) for more info.

## **SUMMER READING PROGRAMS IN THE AREA**

### Buffalo and Erie County Public Library programs

Learn more about all the programs sponsored by the Buffalo Library System by visiting [this website!](#)  
Too many to list all individually so be sure to check them out!

### Build a Better World!

The B&ECPL summer reading program is underway FOR ALL AGES. Separate programs for [adults](#), [kids](#) and [teens](#). Read, write a book review, and you could win a prize!

### Barnes and Noble

*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.

### 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. A chance to win some great prizes for your effort! A celebration and prize ceremony at the Convention Center in the early Fall will follow.

### Earning By Learning sponsored by the Orchard Park Jaycees

See the calendar of events section below for more details!

## **SUMMER READING LISTS AVAILABLE AT THE LIBRARY AND ONLINE**

The summer reading lists for the Orchard Park School District will be available at the library and also online.

### [High School Reading Lists](#)

### [Middle School Reading Lists](#)

### [Eggert Reading Lists](#)

### [Ellicott Reading Lists](#)

### [South Davis Summer Reading](#)

### [Windom Reading Lists](#)

## **ARE YOU A "FRIEND" ?**

Do you love the Orchard Park Public Library? Do you attend various programs offered at the Library?  
Do you understand the importance the Library plays in our community?

Then please consider becoming a Friend of the Orchard Park Public Library. Our organization supports

the library providing funding for programs and materials; purchasing books, equipment, and furniture; sponsoring the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Speaker Series as well as children and youth programming and events. This is all done through membership dollars and funds raised through our Quarterly Book Sales, the Book Nook, and the Book Cart. Our latest accomplishments can be found on our website on the [Accomplishments & Future Plans](#) page.

If you enjoy attending the library programs, please consider becoming a “Friend.” Simply fill out a [Membership Application](#). You may also stop in the Orchard Park Public Library and ask a librarian. Look for the blue membership applications in the Book Nook or by the checkout stations.

All are welcome and together we make a difference!

### **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. The Friends of the Orchard Park Library is a 501(C)(3) non-profit organization and donations are tax deductible. [Donate Online Now!](#)

### **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.

### **EBAY BOOK SALES**

There are several books available for sale on our [eBay auction site](#). 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 [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>

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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.*

### Summer Events & Programs

[Click here for our Summer Events & Programs Flyer](#)

*Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted. Registrations begin 3 weeks before the day of the program.*

**Early Bird Toddler Time** begins at 10:00 a.m. on Mondays from July 10 - August 14. 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, June 26. Registration is required.

**Little Later Toddler Time** Class begins at 11:00 a.m. on Mondays from July 10 - August 14. 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, June 26. Registration is required.

**Preschool Story Time** begins at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesdays from July 11 - August 15. 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, June 26. Registration is required.

**Independent Preschool Story Time** Sessions are at 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays from July 13 - August 17. 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 June 26th.

**Lapsit Story Hours** Lapsit begins at 10:30 a.m. on Fridays from May 18 through June 22.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, June 26. Registration is required.

**Mobile Maker Cart** Mondays July 10 through August 1h from 3 p.m - 5pm. Come check out our mobile maker space. Includes Sphero Robots, iPads, Stop Animation Camera, Button Maker, Crafts & More! This is a drop-in program. No registration is required.

**Nitro Magic Summer Reading Kickoff** Summer Kickoff Party with Nitro Magic! Friday, July 7 at 2 p.m. Help us kick off summer programming at the Orchard Park Library out on the lawn with Nitro Magic! This is a live presentation using liquid nitrogen to flash freeze your personalized ice cream selections. This is free & open to the public! Registration is required, call 662-9851 to register.

**LEGO Club!** Saturday, July 22, & Saturday, August 12, at 1 p.m. Join in to complete LEGO challenges and explore a different LEGO theme every month! For children 5 and up. Sign up begins on the first day of each month.

**Creative Nature Play presents Compost Construction** Saturday, July 17, at 10 a.m. Learn all about the living soil under your feet! Explore the creatures that live in the dirt and construct your very own compost bin to take home. You will be a compost expert by the time you leave, suggestions for using your bin are included. Fun family program for families with children ages 12 and under. Call 662-9851 to register.

**Popsicle Stick Simple Machines** Thursday July 13 at 3 p.m. presented by the Central Library. People today use six simple machines to perform all types of tasks. Learn how these machines are used in everyday life as we build a lever (catapult) and a wheel and axle (car) out of popsicle sticks. For kids ages 6 - 10, registration is required.

**Read to Maisy the Therapy Dog** Tuesday July 11 and 18 6 p.m.-7:40 p.m. Reading to a therapy dog can be encouraging for reluctant readers! Sign up for one, 20-minute session on either date and come practice reading skills in a calm comfortable environment with Maisy. Registration is required.

**Beginner Chess Workshop** Saturday, July 29 1:30 p.m.-4 p.m. Learn the basics of chess with this introductory workshop taught by official USCF Chess Coach Michael McDufie! Chess boards and pieces will be provided. Please bring a pad of paper and a pen/pencil. Open to children and adults ages 10 & up.

**Earning by Learning Summer Reading Program** is back! This program is for children entering grades 2 - 6 in the fall (currently in 1st grade through 5th grade). This free program allows children to earn \$1 per book read for three weeks! Each child may read 7 books maximum per week. Books must be selected from the Jaycees reading list, or pre-approved by the Orchard Park Jaycees via email [OPJaycees@aol.com](mailto:OPJaycees@aol.com). Child must attend the program to receive credit for books read. Child must attend two of three sessions to be eligible. Parent must volunteer TWO nights as an interviewer to be eligible to participate in the program. Children cannot be dropped off without supervision.

Registration date is Thursday, June 29, from 6:30-8 pm. If you cannot attend registration night, you may register in the library beginning on June 29 - July 13.

Program Dates:

- Thursday, July 13, 6:30 to 8 p.m.
- Thursday, July 20, 6:30 to 8 p.m.
- Thursday, July 27, 6:30 to 8 p.m.

For more information or for pre-approval of books please email: [OPJaycees@aol.com](mailto:OPJaycees@aol.com)

### **Build a Better World Wednesdays**

#### **Wednesday, July 12 at 3pm**

**Explore & More Children's Museum presents Tiny Tinkerers** Explore & More Children's Museum of East Aurora brings their custom Tiny Tinkering program to the library! Kids ages 4 - 10 will visit different construction themed stations including using Geo-Mags, a "Rig-A-Ma-Jig", Nuts & Bolts and a life-sized Imagination Playground.

#### **Wednesday, July 19 at 3pm**

**Earth Spirit presents Eagle Nest Adventure** Team up with Earth Spirit Education and the Orchard Park Library to build a life-sized Eagle nest on Orchard Park Library's lawn. Learn about these amazing birds of prey while constructing a 5-ft diameter nest. All materials are provided, just come dressed for the weather! Registration is required. Best for ages 10 & under.

#### **Wednesday, July 26 at 3pm**

**Aquarium of Niagara presents the Mobile Touch Tank** Visit with real sea creatures including crabs, sea urchins and more! Registration for this unique, hands-on experience begins on July 5.



**Wednesday, August 2 at 3pm**

**The Bubbleman presents Build a Better Bubble** Fun for families with children of all ages! Doug "The Bubble Man" Rougeaux will share his custom magic bubbles, with the added excitement of extra audience participation in this year's Amazing Bubble Bash! Registration is required and will begin on July 12.

**Wednesday, August 9 at 3pm**

**The Primate Sanctuary** is back at the Orchard park Library. Carmen Presti introduces us to live primates individually throughout the presentation to interact with the audience while speaking about their unique characteristics. Get up close and personal with these rare and amazing creatures. Registration begins on July 19.

**Wednesday, August 16 at 3pm**

**Seismic Shakeup!** Earthquakes are common throughout the world, resulting in the destruction of buildings, roads, bridges and other structures. Design and build your own earthquake proof structure and then put it to the test on our earthquake simulator! For children ages 8-12. Registration is required and will begin on July 26.

**Book a Technology Trainer** Tuesday July 2h from 5pm -8pm and on August 18 from 5pm-8pm. Need computer assistance? We can help! These free 45 minute sessions for adults are designed to assist with software support or Internet training. Call to book an appointment. Registration begins Wednesday July 5 for the July session and begins Tuesday July 25 for the August session.

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