



Okeechobee Public Library

April 2017



National Library Week Events

Date: 4/9/17 – 4/15/17

- **Cupcakes for our Community** - Tuesday, April 11th
- **K-9 Demonstration** - Wednesday, April 12th @ 4 p.m.
- **40 for 40 Blood Drive** - Tuesday, April 11th @ 10 – 3 p.m.
- **Fly away fines!** - April 11th- 15th

Groups & Classes

Coloring Group

Date: Fridays, 1-3 p.m.

For relief of stress, join our coloring class for adults. We provide the coloring pencils/pens and drawings. Join a great group of people for socializing and coloring.

Crochet Guild

Date: Wednesdays, 1-3 p.m.

If you're handy with yarn, you may want to check out our crochet guild. These ladies meet every Wednesday from 1 pm to 3 pm. Feel free to join them making layettes for newborns. If you don't know how to crochet, they are more than happy to teach you.

Writer's Group

Date: Tuesdays, 2-3 p.m.

Join our group of local writers for a chance to share your work. The group ranges from published authors to novices, all of whom are happy to offer critiques and professional tips to help your writing.

Quit Smoking!

Through **Florida Tobacco Cessation Alliance**, classes are offered to help you quit smoking. The next classes will be April 5th -May 10th 2017, every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. The classes are ongoing throughout the year. Jessica Sargent is the instructor and will walk you through the easiest ways to quit. Free nicotine replacement patches, lozenges, or gum is offered. If our staff member, Kim, can quit with these classes, so can you!

Book Nook

Visit our Book Nook which is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Here you will find gently used books, VHS tapes, and other miscellaneous items. The proceeds from the sale of these items go to the Friends of the Library.



Friends of the Library

Speaking of the **Friends of the Library**, they are indeed our friends!!

Their membership funds and proceeds from book sales pay for all of our children's programs, including craft materials. They also pay for the summer reading programs, prizes, and they also provide stipends for our various speakers and programs. During National Library Week they provide lunch to the staff.

Anyone can join the Friends with a regular membership of \$5.00 per year, sustaining membership of \$10.00 or a patron of \$100.00



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Children's Storytime

Join Ms. Jonette and Ms. Kim for an hour of stories, movement, and crafts. Children can join us for storytime every Wednesday. The morning session is at 10:30 a.m. for children up to 5/6 yrs old. The afternoon session is at 4:00 p.m. for children up to 8/9 yrs old. Parental participation is required.

Summer Reading

Summer Reading begins on June 21st – July 26th. Children's programs will be held at regular storytime hours. Adult and Teen programs and events will also be available throughout the summer.

Stay tuned for more exciting program details!

Read Off Your Fines!

We presently have in place a system to encourage children not only to read but to pay off their fines. For every **15 minutes** of reading in the library we will take **\$1.00 off** of the child's fine. This only applies to overdue fines.

Library Exhibits

Gordie Peer Memorabilia Collection

If you just have some time to kill and feel like browsing instead of shopping, stop by the library and check out the Gordie Peer exhibit. Gordie Peer is a legendary stuntman who taught the western legends, Clayton Moore & Lash Larue, and is known for his whip cracking skills and tales of the western movie legends.

Dollhouse

While browsing the library, be sure to check out the amazing dollhouse on exhibit. Open up the front for a full view of the interior. The roof even opens up!!

Local Artists Shows

We are lucky to have a few different showcases on display from local artists. From collections of artifacts to digital photography to original paintings, the library is happy to support our local art community and share these works with the public.

Library Services

Meeting Rooms

For non-profit agencies, meeting rooms are available. There is the board room for small meetings and the auditorium for larger groups. The auditorium may also be split into two smaller rooms to accommodate two groups at the same time. To book a room simply walk in or call us at (863)763-3536.

EBooks & Digital Audiobooks

EBook and Audiobook downloads are available through the library on a number of different apps. To find out more information on how to access these services with your library card, just check out our website at myhlc.org and click on the EBooks & Audiobooks tab.

Online Language Classes

Transparent Language Online offers the most comprehensive language-learning solution. With this flexible program, library patrons can quickly and easily learn new languages with our variety of courses and activities. Over 95 different languages are available.

Online GED Prep

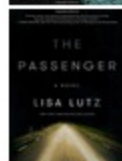
Need to study for the GED? The "Peterson's Master the GED Test 2014" book is available completely online on our website through the Florida Electronic Library.

April Staff Picks



The Black Book

Author: James Patterson



The Passenger

Author: Lisa Lutz



Thunder and Rain

Author: Charles Martin

