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A member of Ramapo Catskill Library System

Autumn Changes

- Since our last newsletter, several important changes in library service have occurred. Due to the defeat of our budget in May, our hours have been reduced and our new schedule is listed below. We regret the inconvenience, especially to our local students, who will miss visiting us on Sundays and holidays.
- Along with all members of RCLS, we have weathered the migration to the new Horizon software. We are learning and using it successfully, but there may still be delays at the circulation desk because of the evolving nature of the new system. While your ability to access our catalog from your home computer should be the same, screens may look a little different. We appreciate your patience as we make this transition.
- We now have the ability to put our programs and special events on our website calendar. We encourage you to check it out.
- Congratulations to Alex Arzoumanov, our student staff member, elected in August to the prestigious position of President of Boys Nation, a national American Legion program.

New Restricted Library Hours

Monday - Thursday 10 - 8
Friday - Saturday 10 - 5
Sunday Closed

Closed:

Columbus Day, October 10 Veterans' Day, November 11 Christmas Eve, December 24 New Year's Eve, December 31 MLK Day, January 16 Presidents Day, February 20

Reduced Hours:

Nov. 25 & 26

12 - 5

FPL Anniversary Events!

5 years in our building, 47 years in Florida!

Oct. 1, 2005

Friends of the FPL Annual Used Book Sale

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Seward Senior Center Check out our large selection of used books, videos and CDs in like-new condition at excellent prices!

\$1 Hard covers

50¢ Paperbacks

\$1 Videos/DVDs/CDs

50¢ Children's Books

Donations of CLEAN, used books & videos are being accepted now at the library. Please box your donations and remember - no textbooks, magazines, or encyclopedias. Thanks!

12:30 p.m. Anyone who signed up for a new library card during the month of September was entered into a drawing for a prize! Everyone is welcome to join us for the official presentation of cards to our youngest patrons in grades K - 5. All new cardholders will receive a prize.

1 p.m. All are invited to a special family presentation of Fire & Ice by Mad Science of Mid-Hudson. See how exciting science can be with hands-on fun with Eco-Erik's smoking ice and bubbling potions! Please call now to register.



Cake Break - Happy Anniversary, FPL!

2 p.m. Pumpkin Patch on the deck to benefit the



Friends. Buy a pumpkin for \$2 and decorate it at no charge! Children must be supervised by a parent.

Thanks to Gene Kerstanski for donating the pumpkins!

October Programs-Register Now

Programs in Session

Rhymetime (ages 18-35 mos.) & Storytime (ages 3-5 yrs.) through Oct. 19/20. Rhymetime on Wednesdays *or* Thursdays at 10 a.m.; Storytime on Thursdays at 1:30 p.m. November registration begins Oct. 24.

Books & Beyond Tuesday afternoons at 4 p.m. for kids in grades K-5. No registration is required.

Oct. 4: A Bird in the House

Oct. 14: Fish are Fun!
Oct. 18: Unusual Pets

Chess Club Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m. with library volunteer and chess expert Ed Dubin. Instruction and free play for grade 1 & up.

YA Discovery Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. for young adults in grades 6-12. Sign up for one or all.

Oct. 4: Pottery
Oct. 11: Pasta

Oct. 18: Harry Potter Party

Scrapbooking Fourth Tuesday of each month. For Adults. Bring own supplies. **Oct. 27, 7 p.m.**

New Programs - Register Now!

Saturday, Oct. 8: *T.A.G. Meeting* All young adults in grades 6 - 12 are invited for lunch to make plans for upcoming programs at the library. Make your voice heard in the library! 1 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 8: *Palm Reading* for Young Adults (grade 6-12) and Adults. See what your future holds - just for fun! **2 p.m.**

Wednesday, Oct. 12: Soup Starters for Adults (16 & up) Space is limited. 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 26: Autumn Table Decoration For Adults (16 & up) Space is limited. 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 29: *Spooky Tales* for families with returning popular storyteller Pam Schembri! She will chill and thrill you with stories for all ages. **2 p.m.** Halloween Party to follow. Costumes optional.

Registration is required for all programs.

Friends of the Florida Public Library

New Officers & Upcoming Events

We have some new friendly faces at meetings this month. The Friends have elected Paul Tornetta, a faithful patron of this library, to be President of the organization. Paul is a library lover and a retired publisher, and eager to expand the group and tackle new projects. Also new this year is another long-time patron, Donna Keppler-Delatto. Donna will serve as Secretary to the Friends. Special thanks go to our returning officers, Alex Arzoumanov as Vice-President and Nancy Scott as the Treasurer. Please return the form below to be a Friend.

The Friends are appealing to all members and all patrons to help at the Book Sale and the Pumpkin Patch fundraiser on October 1. No experience is necessary - just a desire to improve your library! Please call to tell us you can work 9 -11 a.m. or 11 a.m.-1 p.m. or 1-3 p.m.

After a successful appearance at the Florida Farmers Market on Sept. 13, the Friends have been invited back on Tuesday, Oct. 11 for another book sale under the tent. Volunteers are needed to staff the table from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. If you have any other ideas for fundraising, please call Paul at 651-1062.

Friends of the FTL Membership

New members and new ideas are always welcome! Join the Friends and help your library. Membership is Oct. 1 through Sept. 30. Fill out this form and return to:

Friends of the Florida Public Library
4 Cohen Circle Florida, NY 10921.

(Please make checks payable to Friends of the FPL)

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More in October...

Florida Public Library teams with Albert Wisner Public Library and Greenwood Lake Public Library to present our fourth annual One Town, One Book program. Registration required for each event.



One Town, One Book

The Kite Runner

By Khaled Hosseini



The Kick-Off Event: Friday, Sept. 30, 7 p.m. Coffee and Dessert at Hickory Hill Golf Club, Warwick SUNY Orange Department Chairman & Professor of English Christine Godwin, will introduce *The Kite Runner* and One Town, One Book over dessert and coffee. The book is available now at all three libraries and *The Bookstore* of Warwick has donated a copy for a prize drawing at this program. Call 986-1047 to register.

Thursday, Oct. 6, 7 p.m. Greenwood Lake Public Library *Film Screening - Kandahar.* See this Cannes Film Festival winner filmed & set during the Taliban era. Call 477-8377 to register.

Thursday, Oct. 13, 7 p.m. Florida Public Library *Tales of the Silk Road by Black Dirt Storytelling Guild.* Fantastic tales told along the fabled ancient trade route linking East & West. Adults only. Call 651-7659 to register.

Saturday, Oct. 15, Albert Wisner Public Library *Kite Workshop* Kids (grades K - 5) with a parent can build kites at the library at 10 a.m. Gather at Veterans Memorial Park at 2 p.m. for flying. Call 986-1047 to register.

Saturday, Oct. 22, 2 p.m. Greenwood Lake Public Library *Book Discussion* Wisner staff members Laurie Angle & Kathleen Georgalas will lead a book discussion on *The Kite Runner*. Call 986-1047 to register.

Thursday, Oct. 27, 7:30 p.m. Florida Public Library *Understanding Afghanistan* with Historian Anne Ruszkiewicz will be a brief overview of the history, geography, tribal & religious conflicts in *The Kite Runner's* world. There will be suggestions for further reading. Call 651-7659 to register.

Sunday, Nov. 6, 1 p.m. Greenwood Lake Public Library *Wrap-Up Party* Afghani food, music & culture and Catherine Stine, author of *Refugees,* a novel about an Afghani boy & an American girl. Call 477-8377 to register.

What's it about?

The Kite Runner is a best selling first novel set in Afghanistan and San Francisco. It spans the quiet years before the Soviet invasion through the Taliban era when the lead character returns to his homeland in an attempt to save the son of his boyhood friend. Featuring strong and vivid depictions of a country and its people in turmoil, the story is an exploration of the universal themes of love, betrayal and redemption as they exist in family relationships and stretch across decades & countries. This is definitely a can't put it down page turner!

Exploring the World of The Kite Runner...

Fiction:

The Bookseller of Kabul

Asne Seierstad

The Swallows of Kabul

Refugees

Films:

Daughters of Afghanistan

The Beauty Academy of Kabul

The Man Who Would Be King

Non-Fiction:

Taliban: Militant Islam, Oil and Fundamentalism in Central Asia

Jihad: The Rise of Militant Islam in Central Asia

West of Kabul, East of New York: An Afghan American Story

Islam Art and Architecture

Hattstein/Delius

An Unexpected Light: Travels in Afghanistan

Jason Elliot

Soldiers of God: with Islamic Warriors in Afghanistan and Pakistan

Robert D. Kaplan

Zoya's Story: An Afghan Woman's Struggle for Freedom Zoya

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6th Annual Tellabration!

Telling Family Stories

Saturday, November 19 at 2 p.m. Seward Senior Center \$5 per person/\$10 per family

Tellabration! is a worldwide benefit evening of storytelling. Our local event is sponsored by the Black Dirt Storytelling Guild. This year, the proceeds will aid a Gulf Coast public library devastated by Hurricane Katrina.

Everyone has favorite family stories. Please join us and share your story. Attentive listeners of all ages are invited to celebrate storytelling and the sense of community it creates. Following the performance, all storytellers and their families are invited to a dinner in the library featuring treasured family recipes.

Find out more about the destruction of Gulf Coast libraries at www.ala.org/katrina.

New Arrivals (a) your library

Hitchcock DVDs

Classic Films from the Master of Suspense!

Foreign Correspondent Dial M for Murder

Mr. & Mrs. Smith I Confess

North by Northwest Stage Fright Strangers on a Train Suspicion

The Wrong Man

Books for Young Adults

Bullying: How to Deal with Taunting, Teasing and Tormenting Kathleen Winkler Resolving Conflicts: How to Get Along When You Don't Get Along Karen Judson Downloading Copyrighted Stuff from the Internet: Stealing of Fair Use? Sherri M. Gordon Other People's Words: What Plagiarism Is and How to Avoid It

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