

# FLORIDA PUBLIC LIBRARY

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## Sunday Hours Return

We are very pleased to welcome the return of Sunday hours on September 10. Due to last year's budget cuts, Florida Public Library has been closed on Sundays since June 2005. Kids, parents, seniors, commuters and out of town visitors can now look forward to stopping by on Sundays to check out and return materials, use our computers, get help with homework assignments and enjoy our new schedule of Sunday programs. Help us welcome back our seven-day-a-week hours of operation by visiting us soon.

On the financial front, there's more good news from Senator Thomas Morahan who has succeeded in directing a \$15,000 grant to FPL. The funds will be used for technology and to purchase materials, notably books and the films based on the books. Over the last few years, we've noticed our DVD circulation zooming. Well, where do all those good stories come from? Many times, films are based on terrific books. Now, we'll have both for your reading and viewing pleasure.

FPL now has wireless access to the internet. We have one laptop for patrons' use with more on the way. We invite you to bring your own laptop for use in the building or on our airy deck.

*Madelyn Folino, Director*

### Library Hours

<b>Monday - Thursday</b>	<b>10 - 8</b>
<b>Friday - Saturday</b>	<b>10 - 5</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>12 - 5</b>

### Closed:

**Columbus Day, October 9**  
**Veterans' Day, November 11**  
**Thanksgiving, November 23**  
**Christmas Eve, December 24**  
**Christmas Day, December 25**  
**New Year's Eve, December 31**

### Holiday Hours:

**Nov. 24 & 25** **12 - 5**

## FPL Anniversary Events!

**6 years in our building,  
48 years in Florida!**



**Sept. 30 & Oct. 1**

### 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

### Saturday, September 30 Events:

**Noon: Scarecrow Judging** - Make an old-fashioned scarecrow of any size at home with family, friends, or your team or scout group. Bring it to the library by 11:30 a.m. for judging. Top three scarecrows will win prizes. Please register by Wed., Sept. 27 to enter the contest.



**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.

### Cake Break - Happy Anniversary, FPL!

### Sunday, October 1 Events:

**Noon: Florida Then & Now** - How much do you know about local buildings and their history? Bob Scott of the Florida Historical Society will show historical postcards of local scenes and photos of the same places today. Newcomers & long-timers are all invited to make their best guesses about the pictures.

**1 - 3 p.m.: Antique Appraisals** by expert John Fish. Bring your treasured object (portable size only) and have it appraised for \$5 or 3 objects for \$10.

**Coming Soon...**

Florida Public Library teams with Albert Wisner Public Library and Greenwood Lake Public Library to present our fifth annual One Town, One Book program. Registration required for each event. **The Red Badge of Courage** is available at all three libraries.



## One Town, One Book



### **The Red Badge of Courage**

*By Stephen Crane*

**The Kick-Off Event: Thursday, Sept. 28, 7 p.m. Coffee and Dessert at Hickory Hill Golf Club, Warwick**  
***Seeing the Elephant: The Orange Blossoms at Chancellorsville*** Charles LaRocca, President and Historian of the 124<sup>th</sup> NYS Volunteers "Orange Blossoms" Civil War era reenactor unit will speak on the actual historical events in which Orange County soldiers distinguished themselves at the Battle of Chancellorsville in May 1863. Stephen Crane drew on the stories and memories of local veterans to create his novel. Call 986-1047 to register.

**Thursday, Oct. 12, 7:30 p.m. Florida Public Library** *Uncivil War by Black Dirt Storytelling Guild.* Enjoy an evening of old-fashioned entertainment. Guild members will share American Civil War era stories and tales of conflict and brotherly strife. Refreshments served. Adults only. Call 651-7659 to register.

**Saturday, Oct. 14, Albert Wisner Public Library** *Symbolism in The Red Badge of Courage* Retired English teacher Wendy Dembeck has volunteered to lead a discussion on one of her favorite novels. Read the book and share your thoughts and opinions. Refreshments served. Call 986-1047 to register.

**Thursday, Oct. 19, 7 p.m. Greenwood Lake Public Library** *Film Screening of The Red Badge of Courage* John Huston directed real life war hero Audie Murphy in this 1951 movie noted for its realistic battle scenes. Refreshments served. Call 477-8377 to register.

**Saturday, Oct. 21, 2 p.m. Florida Public Library** *William Henry Seward's Red Badge of Courage* John Kimiecik, charter member of the Florida Historical Society, will share the exciting and overlooked story of the murder plot that targeted Secretary of State Seward on the same evening that President Lincoln was assassinated. Refreshments served. Call 651-7659 to register.

**Thursday, Oct. 26, 7 p.m. Greenwood Lake Public Library** *A Stephen Crane Biographical Sketch* Peter Osborne, Executive Director of the Minisink Valley Historical Society and Port Jervis City Historian will speak on Stephen Crane's life & his novel's connection to Orange County history. Refreshments. Call 477-8377 to register.

**Wrap-Up Party Two Events on Saturday, October 28, Lewis Park, Main St., Warwick**

**Civil War Encampment 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.** The 124<sup>th</sup> NYS Volunteers, a local reenactment unit, will set up a Civil War camp and present firing demonstrations and drills at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. History lovers of all ages are invited to wander through the camp and talk to the interpreters who will be dressed and armed with authentic uniforms, gear & weapons of the Orange Blossoms. In case of inclement weather, the Orange Blossoms will be found inside the Old School Baptist Church. Registration is not required; children are welcome.

**And the Final Word...**

***The Red Badge of Courage: Community Connections*** *Old School Baptist Church, Lewis Park, 2 p.m.* Christine Godwin, Professor Emeritus, SUNY Orange, will wrap up our town-wide reading event with a lively discussion that invites all readers to share their perceptions of this year's novel. How do we connect Crane's observations about youth, war and courage to events in our own lives and history? What can the novel reveal about humanity and meeting our challenges? Audience involvement is expected and appreciated. Call 986-1047 to register.

## October Programs-Register Now

### Programs in Session

**Rhymetime (18-35 mos.)** Wednesdays or Thursdays at 10 a.m. & **Storytime (3-5 yrs.)** Wednesdays or Thursdays at 1:30 p.m. through Oct. 18/19. Our November registration begins Oct. 23.

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

**Oct. 3: Make a Woodsy Vase**

**Oct. 10: Decorate a Frame with Acorns**

**Oct. 17: Create a Portrait of a Tree**

**Chess Club** Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m. with library volunteer and chess expert Ed Dubin. Instruction & free play for grade 1 & up through Oct. 18.

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

**Oct. 3: Create Decorative Garnishes**

**Oct. 10: Title Pictionary**

**Oct. 17: Internet Scavenger Hunt**

**Oct. 31: Anime & Manga Club**



### New Programs - Register Now!

**Heart Healthy Cooking** with chef John Moultrie. Wednesdays from 6 - 7:30 p.m. Adults only.

**Oct. 4:** Delicious, low calorie sandwiches.

**Oct. 11:** Full of flavor, low fat pasta dishes.

**Saturday, Oct. 14, noon: T.A.G. Meeting** All young adults in grades 6 - 12 are invited for lunch to help plan upcoming teen programs.

**Saturday, Oct. 14, 1 p.m.: Watercolor Workshop** for Adults & Young Adults.

**Monday, Oct. 16, 6 p.m.: Knitting Circle** for adults of all experience levels. Crocheters are welcome, too! Bring along your current project.

**Friday, Oct. 20, 7 p.m.: Poetry Café** hosted by local poet Robert Milby with guests & open mic.

**Sunday, Oct. 22 & 29, 2 p.m.: Jewelry Design** for Adults. Create a beautiful necklace or bracelet.

**Wednesday, Oct. 24, 6 p.m.: Mask Making & Pizza** for the family.

*Registration is required for all programs.*

## Friends of the Florida Public Library

### Ways to Help Your Library

- \* Become a library patron. Does everyone in your family have a card?
- \* Join the Friends of the FPL group. Fill out the membership form below.
- \* Attend our meetings at 7 p.m.  
Oct. 2, Nov. 13, Jan. 8, 2007,  
Feb. 12, Mar. 12, Apr. 9 & May 14
- \* Help with book sales three times a year:  
Sorting & Sales, Make Signs,  
Recycling, Set-up & Clean-up.
- \* Volunteer your hands-on help for a program.
- \* Share a talent - Put together a program.
- \* Donate refreshments for programs.
- \* Support library programs with your presence.
- \* Write to your legislators about library funding.
- \* Visit Albany on Library Lobby Day.
- \* Join the Orange Library Association.
- \* Drop your pennies in our donation jar.
- \* Read our newsletters and visit us often.



*Volunteer,  
Be a Friend!*

### Friends of the FPL 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)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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Circle one:      \$10 Membership      \$25 Sustaining  
\$50 Contributing      \$100 Patron      \$\_\_\_\_\_ Other

## ***7th Annual Tellabration!***

### **Treasured Tales**

**Saturday, November 18 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. Proceeds will be used to subsidize future library programs.

Everyone has favorite stories. Please join us and share your favorite family story, local legend, fairy tale, myth or whopper. Attentive listeners of all ages are invited to celebrate storytelling and the community it creates. Following the performance, all storytellers and their families are invited to a potluck dinner in the library.

Find out more about Tellabration! at  
[www.tellabration.org](http://www.tellabration.org)

## ***Congratulations to our Summer Readers***

This summer, the children in Florida helped to complete our library dragon by adding a brightly colored scale with their name on it each time they completed a week of reading 10 books, or 100 pages. A total of 8,598 books were read over the six weeks of our summer reading program. The top readers were each awarded a special prize at our wrap-up party. These children were recognized as top readers:

#### Picture Books:

John Shaughnessy	86
Julia Peters	76
Searra Bell	67

#### Chapter Books

Sean Peters	6,185 pages
Kara Shaughnessy	3,132 pages
Marian Peters	2,932 pages
+ 14 Picture Books	



***Congratulations & keep up the good work!***

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