

# Pearl River Public Library Newsletter

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*"Your Door to the World"*

## Adult Activities

**Sunday, March 6 3: 00pm**  
***Carlos Colina and the Straight-Up Blues Band***  
Carlos and his harmonica blues are back to play groovy music on a Sunday afternoon.

**Wednesday, March 9 7:00pm**  
***Blarney Stew in Concert!***  
Start the celebration early with local musicians known collectively as Blarney Stew as they play Irish Rock, Celtic tunes and jigs and reels.

**Thursday, March 10 3:00pm**  
***Diabetic Nutrition***  
Join dietician Rachel Beach as she speaks on the subject of nutrition for diabetics.

**Saturday, March 12 10:00-4:30pm**  
**Sunday, March 13 1:00-4:00pm**  
***Heritage Quilters of the Hudson Palisades***  
View a display of member-made quilts. Vote for your favorite challenge quilt. Observe quilters at work. Try a hands-on quilting activity.

**Wednesday, March 16 6:00pm**  
***Ukrainian Egg Workshop***  
Ana Maria Stratner will show you how to create Ukrainian-style Easter eggs. All materials will be provided. Register at the Reference Desk or call 845-735-4084, x115.

**Wednesday, March 30<sup>th</sup> 6:00-8:30pm**  
***Fly Tying Workshop***  
Ed Marshak and members of the East Jersey Chapter of Trout Unlimited will show you how to ty a basic fly to keep and use. Materials will be provided and the program is free.

**Questions? Call us at 735-4084, x115.**

*Additional Adult Activities can be found on page 4.*

## From the Director's Desk Jim Farrell

### Board of Trustees Welcomes William Morris

I am happy to announce the Board of Trustees vacant position has been filled by William Morris. Bill is a long time resident of Pearl River and has graciously accepted the appointment to the Board until the next election which will be in June.

### New LCD Panel

We recently unveiled the new LCD panel in front of the Circulation Desk. Staff is learning how to put up information about what is happening in and around the library. In the future look for items of interest such as a weekly list of new books and DVD's, events taking place in the library and public service announcements that may affect our residents.

### Emergency Preparedness

The library received a grant to conduct emergency preparedness workshops during March and April. These workshops will focus on types of emergencies and how to prepare for each type.

### Mile of Pennies

With the help of the Friends of the Pearl River Public Library we have placed a fundraising display in the lobby. We are calling it the "Mile of Pennies." The goal is to collect a mile of pennies and use the money to hire a consultant to study and offer solutions to our limited parking problem.

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Of all the travel books ever printed,  
the best to go on a vacation with is your checkbook.

*Anonymous*



## Children's Room

### Concerts

Ages: 1-5 years old with an adult.  
No sign up required. Just come!

#### Songtime with Delores JiJi

Wednesday, March 9, 10:30-11:15am

#### A Mr. Kurt Concert

Monday, April 11, 10:30-11:15am

#### Sukey Molloy and Friends

Tuesday, May 17, 10:30-11:15am

#### Jeffrey Friedberg and the Bossy Frog Band

Tuesday, June 7, 1:30-2:15pm

### Early Spring Events

#### Stories, Songs & Silliness with Miss Sarah

Ages: not yet 2 with an adult

Mondays, 11:00-11:30am, March 7-May 2 (no class April 11)

*No sign up required. Just come!*

#### Story Time for 2s & 3s with Miss Sarah

Ages: 2 & 3 years old with an adult

Thursdays, 10:30am or 1:30pm, March 3, 10, 17 & 31

*Sign up starting Monday, February 22, 9:30am\**

#### Story Time and a Craft with Miss Annadora

Ages: 4 & 5 years old

Tuesdays, 10:30am or 1:30pm

March 1-May 3 (no class March 22)

*Sign up starting Monday, February 22, 9:30am\**

#### Preschool Story Time with Mrs. Amabile

Ages: 3-5 years old, adults welcome too

Fridays, 10:30-11:00am, March 4-18, April 1-May 6

*No sign up required. Just come!*

#### Lego Club

Ages: 4-10 years old

Tuesdays, 4:00-5:00pm

March 8 & 29, April 12 & 26, May 10 & 24

*No sign up required. Just come!*

#### Hurray for Book Day! with Miss Annadora

Ages: 3-9 years old with their adult

Thursday, March 3, 4:30-5:30pm

Dress up as your favorite children's book character and come celebrate at our World Book Day Fest with crafts, games and treats. Share your love of reading by bringing a new children's book for Rockland Center for Safety and Change.

*Sign up starting Monday, February 22, 9:30am\**

*\* Call in registration accepted after 10:00am.*

## Activities

### Magical Mandalas with Robin Kerith Johnson

Grades: K-3

Wednesday, March 30, 4:30-5:30pm

Learn about the Mandala design, then create and color your own. Glue on a variety of natural materials for bling and pizzazz.

*Sign up starting Monday, March 14, 9:30am\**

### Later Spring Events

#### Toddler Yoga with Miss Sue

Ages: Walkers under 3 with an adult

Thursdays, 9:30-10:15am, April 7, 14, 21 & May 5

Miss Sue comes back with her fun, easy introduction to yoga for both of you.

*Sign up starting Tuesday, March 29, 9:30am\**

#### Preschool Yoga with Miss Sue

Ages: 3-5 years old

Thursdays, 10:30-11:15am, April 7, 14, 21 & May 5

Miss Sue returns with her popular intro to yoga.

*Sign up starting Tuesday, March 29, 9:30am\**

#### Story Time for 2s & 3s with Miss Sarah

Ages: 2 & 3 years old with an adult

Thursdays, 1:30pm, April 7 – May 5

This story time is Toddler Sized with stories, songs, rhymes and bean bags.

*Sign up starting Tuesday, March 29, 9:30am\**

### Celebrate National Library Week!

*Life Size Clue with Eileen Stelljes* for Families

Monday, April 11, 7:00-8:30pm

The popular board game comes to life and center stage! Costumes, props, and room settings are provided for everyone to play a part, or be in the stage crew. "Innocent bystanders" have fun watching the case unfold while players are encouraged to 'camp it up' and attempt to solve the mystery.

*Sign up starting Tuesday, March 29, 9:30am\**

#### Bunny Party with Max and Ruby!

Ages 3-9 years old with their adult

Thursday, April 21, 4:30-5:30pm

Hop right in for this event about all things spring.

*Sign up starting Monday, April 11, 9:30am\**

#### Music and Movement with Miss Fran

Ages: to 5 years old with an adult

Thursdays, 1:00-1:45pm, May 12-June 2

Feel the beat and move your feet!

*Sign up starting Monday, April 25, 9:30am\**

*\* Call in registration accepted after 10:00am.*

## To Market, To Market with the Cornell Cooperative Extension

Grades: K-4

Wednesday, May 4, 4:30-5:30pm

Investigate the workings and lure of seasonal farmers' markets. Learn about the USDA's My Plate healthy food choices, create a model farmer's market and make an edible project to take home.

*Sign up starts on Monday, April 25 at 9:30am.\**

*\* Call in registration accepted after 10:00am.*

## Book Clubs

### 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Grade Book Discussion w/ Mrs. Amabile

Friday, April 15, 3:30-4:30pm

Title: TBA

*Sign up starting Tuesday, March 29 at 9:30am.\**

### 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Book Club w/ Mrs. Gunning

Fridays, 3:30-4:30pm

March 4: *Chasing Vermeer* by Blue Balliett

*Sign up starts at the February 10 meeting.*

April 1: *Echo* by Pam Munoz Ryan

*Sign up starts at the March 4 meeting.*

### Mother/Daughter Book Club Special Event

Wednesday, May 4, 7:00-8:30pm

Grades: 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade girls & their moms (or other special woman)

Stop in for a copy of the classic *The Secret Garden* by Frances Hodgson Burnett. Both of you read it and return for a fun evening of discussion and other related activities.

*Sign up starts at the April 6 meeting.*

## Summer Reading 2016

This summer's theme looks to be another fun one! ***On Your Mark. Get Set. Read!*** We're planning loads of exciting activities for children up through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Registration will begin on Monday, June 20.

## Teen Volunteers for Summer Reading

We are proud of all our teen volunteers who have helped us through the years with our summer reading activities. This year, we welcome volunteers who will have completed 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades by July 1. Applications will be mailed home to current volunteers. Prospective volunteers can stop in for or download a form from our website after May 15. Orientation meetings will be Wednesday, May 25 at 4:30pm, Thursday, May 26 at 4:30 or Monday, June 13 at 7:00pm. *Volunteers must attend one of these orientation meetings to volunteer this summer.* Please contact Mrs. Gunning at 845-735-4084, x126 with any questions.

Sign up for a session starting Monday, May 16 at the Adult Reference Desk or by calling 735-4084, x115.



## Teen Library Council

Wednesdays, 4:30-5:30pm

March 16, April 20, May 18

Here's a chance for teens to meet over pizza and to brainstorm about the future of the library: What programs would you like to see? What clubs do you want at the library? Make your voice heard! Sign up at the Reference Desk (or call 735-4084, x115) to make sure there's a slice of pizza with your name on it!

## Teen Writing Workshop

Grades 8-12

Wednesdays, 5:00-6:00pm

March 9, April 6, May 11

This workshop is a supportive place where you will meet other teen writers and, together, set your creative ideas in motion.

Sign up at the Reference Desk or call us at 735-4084, x115.

## Pizza Party Preview of Summer Reading

Find the books that will inspire and intrigue you most this summer. PR Middle & HS teachers join PRPL Staff to present short book talks and trailers to help you find your very best book matches. Time and date TBA.

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## Teen Tech Tutors

Mondays, 4:00-5:00PM

March 7 & 21, April 4 & 18, May 2, 16 & 30

If you've got a smartphone that's outsmarting you, or any other device that's dumbfounding you, our Teen Tech Tutors can fix that. Come by the library to get smart about your tech.

Sign up at the Reference Desk or call us at 735-4084, x115.

## Computer Coding for Busy Adults – 3 Sessions

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00pm

March 23, April 6 & 20

Even if you're constantly feeling crunched for time, it's still possible to learn the basics of computer coding. This 3-session course will show you how to get started and how to build your computer skills in as little as 15 minutes a day.

Sign up at the Reference Desk or call us at 735-4084, x115.

## Additional Adult Activities

**Sunday, April 3** 3:00pm  
*The Fabulous 1950's*  
Linda Ipanema singing and Stan Edwards on piano perform the wonderful music of this decade.

**Sunday, April 10** 3:00pm  
*The Vestapolitans in Concert*  
Brad Vickers, Margie Peters and the gang will play back-porch blues, slow and easy.

**Tuesday, April 12** 7:00pm  
*Tae Kwan Do for Beginners*  
Black Belt Sensei Master Raymond Portante of East Coast Martial Arts will instruct you in the fine art of Tae Kwan Do. Both men and women may attend. Please wear sneakers and loose clothing.

**Wednesday, April 13** 7:00pm  
*A Visit from William Shakespeare*  
The Bard himself will be visiting to share a modern, fun version of a few of his most famous works. Audience participation is encouraged.

**Sunday, April 17** 3:00 pm  
*The Unit in Concert*  
The 5-man group *The Unit* is back to give you a dose of R&B with a punch.

**Sunday, April 24** 3:00pm  
*From Gershwin to Yankee Doodle*  
The Karkowska Sisters perform music from the American Song Book playing piano and violin.

**Sunday, May 1** 3:00pm  
*The Burr Johnson Trio*  
Come to the library for the best played improvisational jazz around.

**Sunday, May 15** 3:00pm  
*The Friends of the Library Annual Spring Concert*  
Join the **Solid Rock Band** for an afternoon of the fabulous music of the 60s.

**Sunday, May 15** 3:00pm  
*NYC During the Second World War*  
Listen to and see Marty Schneit in a multi-media presentation about the war years in the Big Apple.

**Sunday, May 22** 3:00pm  
*The Frost Kings in Concert!*  
Join us for more raucous, toe-tapping, roadhouse blues from Big Al and the boys.



## Friday Films

All films will be shown at 2:00pm  
Popcorn will be served!



- March 4** **Eight Men Out** (1988)  
John Cusack, Charlie Sheen, Christopher Lloyd
- March 11** **Jeremiah Johnson** (1972)  
Robert Redford, Will Geer
- March 18** **Breakfast at Tiffany's** (1961)  
Audrey Hepburn, George Peppard, Buddy Ebsen, Patricia Neal, Mickey Rooney
- March 25** **The Cowboys** (1971)  
John Wayne, Coleen Dewhurst, Bruce Dern, Roscoe Lee Brown
- April 1** **The Hustler** (1961)  
Paul Newman, Jackie Gleason, George C. Scott
- April 8** **Master and Commander** (1995)  
Russell Crowe and Paul Bellamy
- April 15** **River of No Return** (1954)  
Marilyn Monroe and Robert Mitchum
- April 22** **The Italian Job** (1969)  
Michael Caine and Noel Coward
- April 29** **Airport** (1969)  
Helen Hayes, Dean Martin, George Kennedy and Burt Lancaster
- May 6** **Night of the Hunter** (1955)  
Lillian Gish, Shelley Winters and Robert Mitchum
- May 13** **High Noon** (1952)  
Gary Cooper and Grace Kelly
- May 20** **Cat on a Hot Tin Roof** (1958)  
Elizabeth Taylor, Burl Ives and Paul Newman
- May 27** **Jim Thorpe - All American** (1951)  
Burt Lancaster and Charles Bickford



**We're open 24/7/365.**

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# Bohovesky Gallery

## In Our Gallery

**March Photography – Carol Dyer**  
Celebrate a Pearl River Tradition: *The Annual Photography Show of the Pearl River St. Patrick's Day Parade*, as chronicled by photographer Carol Dyer. Come to see how many friends and relatives you can find on our gallery walls. Meet the photographer at a reception on Sunday, March 6, 1:30-3:00pm.

**April PRHS Art Students**  
Pearl River High School Art Students come to the library with their best work of the year: drawings, oils, photographs, sculpture, computer art and more. Reception TBA

**May Watercolors – Gloria Donoghue**  
The landscape of Rockland County and beyond: enjoy a show of watercolors by artist Gloria Donoghue. Reception TBA.

## On Display

**March Ireland**  
The Beauty and Charm of the Emerald Isle: a collection of memorabilia and souvenirs from Ireland, just in time for St. Patrick's Day!

**April 3-D Art**  
3-D Art by Pearl River High School Art Students: sculpture, pottery and mixed-media works. Meet the artists at a reception TBA.

**May Sterling Stitches**  
See these fine, hand-stitched clothes for babies, created by members of the *Smocking Arts Guild of America*.

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### Rockland County Tax Aide Program

Volunteers from the AARP Tax Aide Program will be at the Library again this tax season to assist seniors and low-income individuals with filing their New York State and Federal income tax returns. Now through April 15, trained tax counselors will be available here on Fridays from 10:30am to 2:30pm.

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### Adult Book Club

The Adult Book Club meets the third Tuesday each month at 7:00pm in the Pearl River Room. Books are available at the Circulation Desk. Upcoming titles for discussion are:

- March 15 *A Year by the Sea*  
by Joan Anderson
- April 19 *Night Circus*  
by Erin Morgenstern
- May 17 *On the Move: a Life*  
by Oliver Sacks

## Website to Try



**Freegal** (Rhymes with "legal")



Download *free* songs using your Pearl River Library card. Just click the above link on the right side of our website homepage. At Freegal, log in using your library card and pin numbers—the same way you log in to place holds in our catalog. Then, search or browse to find songs to download, choosing from over 7 million songs from labels around the world—up to five titles every week. The songs are yours to keep and Freegal mobile apps are available in the Apple App Store and the Google Play Store.

*From Freegal's FAQ page:*

### How much music is on Freegal Music's website?

It changes daily. But it's safe to say that there are thousands of artists, tens of thousands of albums, and millions of songs...in hundreds of genres...The content is based upon agreements with over 28,000 music labels, including the labels of Sony Music Entertainment.

### What can I legally do with downloaded music from Freegal?

The music you access via the Freegal Music site is for non-commercial purposes only. It comes with a license for personal use only. This means that you cannot duplicate it for others, or play it in public, other than for the intended enjoyment of a normal circle of family or friends.

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### If the Weather Outside is Frightful...

To find out if the Library is open during inclement weather, call 735-4084 and select "2" for *Library Hours and Closing Information*. This information can also be found on our webpage and at [www.cancellations.com](http://www.cancellations.com). Our outdoor book and AV drop boxes are available to return materials at all times. There are no fines for days the Library is closed due to bad weather.



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**Library Hours:**

Monday – Thursday: 9:00am-9:00pm  
Friday – Saturday: 10:00am-5:00pm  
Sunday: 1:00pm-5:00pm

**Holiday Closings:**

St. Patrick’s Day Parade – Sunday, March 20  
Easter – Sunday, March 27  
Memorial Day Weekend – May 28, 29, 30

**Board of Trustees**

Elizabeth Van Wynen, Ed.D., RN, *President*  
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*The Board of Trustees meets  
the fourth Monday each month, at 7:15pm.*

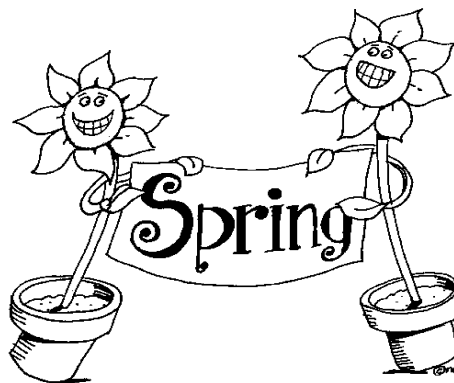
*For additional details, please call 845-735-4084, x117.*

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***Felice Evans Morris, President***

The Friends of the Library will present their Annual Spring Concert on Sunday, May 15 at 3:00pm. This year, come listen to the music of the 60s with ***The Solid Rock Band***.

The Friends Book Discussion Club meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1:00pm. Selected discussion books are available at the Circulation Desk approximately one month before. Here is the list of books for the Spring season:

- March 17 *Daughter of Fortune*  
by Isabel Allende
- April 21 *Double Bind*  
by Chris Bohjalian
- May 19 *Citizens of London*  
by Lynne Olson

**Did You Know?**

***James V. Cassetta, MLS***

After the death of M. Montgomery Maze, the NYC businessman who owned 370 acres including the Blue Hill Golf Course and the stone “Castle” which was his summer home, a rumor was started that the United Nations was planning to buy the property for a country club to provide relaxation for foreign diplomats. Orangetown residents swung into action writing letters to every politician from the Town Supervisor to the President of the United States. Under such opposition, the U.N. decided to buy property on Long Island. By 1967 the Uris Corporation made a deal with the town to sell the 126 acres with the golf course to the town for \$857,300 and keep 244 acres to build an 11 building office complex. This was downgraded to the 2 buildings you see today.