

**CLEARWATER PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM...
BUILDING ON A GREAT TRADITION**

ONE COMPLETED, ONE TO GO!

The new North Greenwood Branch Library celebrated its grand opening January 18, 2003 with more than 300 people in attendance. Pictures of the big day can be found on our website, www.clearwater-fl.com/cpl.



Construction on the new Main Library continues. The Main Library opened its doors in 1916 as a Carnegie Library on the bluff overlooking Clearwater Harbor and the barrier islands. As the library collection and services grew, three major additions were added. On June 7, 2002 City officials and library supporters broke ground for a new \$20.2 million, 90,000-square-foot Main Library to be constructed on the same site as the original Carnegie building. Designed by renowned architect Robert A.M. Stern, Dean of the Yale University School of Architecture, the library will feature a local history center, café, technology center, teen room, gallery, expanded reading areas, and a children's library with a special story time room. The library, scheduled to open in spring 2004, is funded by a public-private partnership between the City of Clearwater and the Clearwater Library Foundation.

The North Greenwood Branch Library first opened in 1949 in a storefront building at the corner of Pennsylvania Avenue and Palmetto Street. The new \$1.33 million, 8,000 square-foot building features a meeting room with kitchen, computer lab, a children's area, and an expanded African American Collection. A \$25,000 grant from the Pinellas Public Library Cooperative was used to enhance this collection, a resource for the entire Tampa Bay area.

From a historic Carnegie building and a tiny storefront library to almost 100,000 square feet of new construction, the Clearwater Public Library System continues to build on a great tradition!

Love Your Library! Be a Friend!

We are a volunteer support group for library activities, including author programs, children's programs in the library and at schools. We support the library through your membership and through sales in our bookstores. All membership monies are used to enhance programs and activities at the library. Members receive our monthly newsletter, FOCL Point.

Call the library for more information on how to become a member of the Friends of the Clearwater Library!

The Clearwater Public Library System will be closed September 1 for Labor Day, November 11 for Veterans Day, and November 27-28, 2003 for Thanksgiving.

Special Programs

SEPTEMBER IS LIBRARY CARD SIGN UP MONTH! Sign up for a library card in September and receive a colorful book bag! Available at all circulation desks. Clearwater Beach, Countryside, East, Main, and North Greenwood libraries.

KIDSURF CLASSES. Special Internet training classes for children are available this fall. Call (727) 462-6895 to register! Clearwater North Greenwood Branch Library
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October 7, 4:30 p.m. KidSurf Internet for beginners.
November 4, 4:30 p.m. Microsoft Word for students.

COMMUNITY HEROES DAY – September 11, 10 a.m. Meet some of Tampa Bay's real community heroes! Clearwater Countryside Library

GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSION. Join in to discuss the classics from the Great Books Reading & Discussion Program. Call (727) 725-1415 for more information. Clearwater East Library
September 11, 1:30 p.m. Goethe: *Faust, Part One*
October 9, 1:30 p.m. Kant: *First Principles of Morals*
November 13, 1:30 p.m. Flaubert: *A Simple Heart*

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INVEST IN YOUR LIBRARY!

Dedicated to enhancing the public library tradition, the Clearwater Library Foundation continues to move forward with the Capital Campaign for the new Main Library. Our fund raising projects have been very successful and we invite everyone who has not contributed to the campaign to do so. Donor naming opportunities are still available.

Contribute to the enhancement of our public library system by donating to the Tribute Fund. A gift to the fund will provide books in memory of a loved one, or honor a person on a special occasion. Acknowledgment certificates and cards are available from the Foundation Office. Make a difference in our community; contribute to the Capital Campaign or the Tribute Fund.

For more information about our activities, call the Foundation office at (727) 462-6800 extension 244.



Brian J. Aungst, Mayor-Commissioner
Hoyt Hamilton, Vice Mayor-Commissioner Whitney Gray, Commissioner
Frank Hibbard, Commissioner Bill Jonson, Commissioner

SHAKIN THE STACKS – September 13, 7 p.m. The Library's Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) invites teens to groove to a local teen music group! Call (727) 462-6800, extension 242 for more information. Clearwater East Library

FROM GOSPEL TO HIP HOP – Join in for a musical edutainment series exploring the origins of African American Music. Clearwater North Greenwood Branch Library
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October 28, 6:30 p.m. - Gospel Music with recording artist John Edmunds.
November 18, 6:30 p.m. - Rap Wrap-up.

BOOK REVIEW SERIES – October 6, 1:30 p.m. *Freedom's Cost* by Mary T. Dresser. Clearwater East Library

ONE BAY, ONE BOOK - October 22, 1:30 p.m. What if everybody in the community read the same book? That is the goal with this year's discussion of *The Right Stuff* by Tom Wolfe, listed as one of the top 100 nonfiction books of the century. This community-wide book discussion will be hosted at several Pinellas Public Library Cooperative libraries in October and will culminate at Eckerd College's annual Festival of Reading on November 2. Copies of the book are available at the library. Clearwater East Library

TEEN READ WEEK: SLAMMIN @ YOUR LIBRARY. The Library and Barnes & Noble Booksellers present a series of teen poetry programs to celebrate Teen Read Week. Call (727) 462-6800, extension 242 for more information. Open to teens only!
October 21, 6 p.m. Clearwater North Greenwood Branch Library
October 24, 7 p.m. Clearwater East Library
October 25, 7 p.m. Barnes & Noble Booksellers, Clearwater

FALL CELEBRATION. A special Preschool Story Time with stories and songs.
October 28, 7 p.m. Clearwater East Library
October 29, 10 a.m. Clearwater Countryside Library
October 29, 10:30 a.m. Clearwater Beach Branch Library
October 31, 10:30 a.m. Clearwater North Greenwood Branch Library

BATTLE OF THE BANDS - November 15, 4 p.m. Bands will be selected to perform at the 2003 Battle of the Bands! Call (727) 462-6800, extension 242 for more information and how to audition. Sponsored by the Clearwater Public Library System Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) and the Clearwater Parks and Recreation Department. Coachman Park

CELEBRITY READING. Celebrate Children's Book Week with our guest celebrity readers, who will share favorite stories.
November 18, 7 p.m. Clearwater East Library
November 19, 10 a.m. Clearwater Countryside Library
November 19, 10:30 a.m. Clearwater Beach Branch Library
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**WATCH FOR
READING DOGS
(Reading Education Assistance Dogs)
COMING THIS FALL!**

Harvest Some Good Books



**AWARD
WINNING
EVENTS
CALENDAR**

**SEPTEMBER -
NOVEMBER
2003**

CLEARWATER PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM

www.clearwater-fl.com/cpl





Schedule of Events



Clearwater Main Library

121 North Osceola Avenue
Clearwater, FL 33755
(727) 462-6800

Hours: Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Visit us at our new temporary facility.

Interested in planning some awesome events for teens? Try YAC (Youth Advisory Committee). Call (727) 462-6800 ext.242 for information.

Clearwater East Library

2251 Drew Street
Clearwater, FL 33765
(727) 669-1280

Hours: Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

YOUTH AND FAMILIES

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME - 7 p.m. on Tuesday
MOTHER GOOSE TIME - 10 a.m. on Wednesday

PROGRAMS

FALL CRAFTS - September 17, 3:30 p.m. After school activities for all ages.
BABYSITTING CLASS - Sponsored by the American Red Cross. Call (727) 446-2359 to register. \$35 fee.
October 4 and December 6, 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.
FALL CELEBRATION - October 28, 7 p.m. Special Preschool Story Time.
SPOOKY CRAFTS - October 29, 3:30 p.m. After school activities for all ages.
CELEBRITY READING - November 18, 7 p.m. Celebrate Children's Book Week with our guest celebrity reader, who will share favorite stories.
THANKSGIVING CRAFTS - November 19, 3:30 p.m. After school activities for all ages.

TEENS

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ADULTS

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GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSION - begins at 1:30 p.m.

September 11 - Goethe: *Faust, Part One*
October 9 - Kant: *First Principles of Morals*
November 13 - Flaubert: *A Simple Heart*
Call (727) 725-1415 for information. Books are available through the Clearwater Public Library System.

MYSTERY READERS CLUB - begins at 9:30 a.m.

September 23, October 28, and November 18.
No reservations are required.

CLASSES

INTERNET FOR BEGINNERS - call (727) 669-1280 for more information.

DISPLAYS

SEPTEMBER Comic Books, presented by Robert Roose
OCTOBER Carnival Glass, courtesy Tampa Bay Carnival Glass Club
NOVEMBER Woman's Club of Clearwater

Clearwater Countryside Library

2741 State Road 580, Clearwater, FL 33761
(727) 669-1290

Hours: Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday 1 - 5 p.m.

YOUTH AND FAMILIES

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME - 10 a.m. on Wednesday
MOTHER GOOSE TIME - 10 a.m. on Thursday

PROGRAMS

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TEENS

PROGRAMS

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ADULTS

PROGRAMS

ARMCHAIR TRAVELER SERIES - begins at 2 p.m.
September 3 Frozen Assets: Antarctica
September 10 Resorts Paradise Reclaimed
September 17 Lost Civilizations: Mesopotamia
September 24 Kissimmee: River of Dreams
October 1 Florida: the Outdoor Adventure
October 8 USA: California; USA: New Orleans
October 15 Unsinkable Delta Queen
October 22 Raising the Bamboo Curtain: Viet Nam
October 29 Balloon Safari
October 29 Great Smokey Mountains and Plimoth Plantation
November 5 Anamalia: India's Elephant Mountain
November 12 America's Greatest Roller Coaster Thrills
November 19 Old Salem; Tour of Gatlinburg, TN
November 26 A Celebrations of Birds

CLASSES

COMPUTER COURSES - presented by Gunnar Myrdal. Saturday - no registration required.
10 a.m. - 12 noon (in English); 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. (en Español).
COMPUTER CLASSES - intermediate level. No registration necessary.
Tuesday - 1 p.m. Begins October 14.

DISPLAYS

SEPTEMBER American Sewing Guild
OCTOBER Upper Pinellas Shell Club
NOVEMBER Three Dimensional Art

Clearwater North Greenwood Branch Library

905 N. Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue
Clearwater, FL 33755
(727) 462-6895

Hours: Monday, Wednesday - Friday
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Tuesday 10:30 a.m. - 7 p.m.

YOUTH AND FAMILIES

IVY READING ACADEMY - 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday. Homework and reading help for ages kindergarten through third grade. Presented by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Nu Beta Omega Chapter.
CHESS CLUB - 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday. For all ages and levels. Chess sets are provided.
FUN DAZE - 2:30 until 4 p.m. on Thursday. After school crafts and activities.
PRESCHOOL STORY TIME - 10:30 a.m. on Friday
CLEARWATER ATTORNEYS READING FOR LITERACY - 2:30 p.m. on Friday. Tutoring and stories presented by the Clearwater Bar Association.

PROGRAMS

GRANDPARENT'S DAY - September 4, 2:30 p.m. Stop in and create a card and craft for a grandparent or special person.
FALL INTO BOOKS - September 25, 2:30 p.m. Stories and activities celebrating fall.
REMEMBRANCE DAY - October 14, 2:30 p.m. Celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s winning of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964.
PUMPKIN PATCH - October 23, 2:30 p.m. Stories, crafts, and games.
HALLOWEEN FUN - October 30, 2:30 p.m. Listen to stories and create a variety of spooky crafts.
FALL CELEBRATION - October 31, 10:30 a.m. Special Preschool Story Time.
VETERANS DAY CARDS - November 13, 2:30 p.m. Make cards to be delivered to the Veterans Hospital, and follow with a craft activity.
CELEBRITY READING - November 21, 10:30 a.m. Celebrate Children's Book Week with our guest celebrity reader, who will share favorite stories.

CLASSES

INTERNET TRAINING FOR YOUTH. Call (727) 462-6895 to register.
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October 7, 4:30 p.m. KidSurf Internet for beginners.
November 4, 4:30 p.m. Microsoft Word for students.

TEENS

PROGRAMS

YOUNG WRITERS UNITE WORKSHOP - 5:30 p.m. on 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month. Presented by writer and photographer M.K. Carr.
TEEN READ WEEK: SLAMMIN @ YOUR LIBRARY - October 21, 6 p.m. Call the library to participate with your poetry. Open to teens only!

ADULTS

PROGRAMS

OPRAH BOOK CLUB REVIEW - September 3, October 1 and November 5, 10 a.m. Share books from Oprah's original book club.
FROM GOSPEL TO HIP HOP - Join in for a musical edutainment series exploring the origins of African American music.
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October 28, 6 p.m. Gospel music with recording artist John Edmonds.
November 18, 6 p.m. Rap Wrap-up.

CLASSES

INTERNET TRAINING
Adult Beginners Classes - 10 a.m., September 12 & 25, October 10 & 23, and November 14 & 27. Call (727) 462-6800; extension 254 to register.
Adult Intermediate Classes - 3:30 p.m., September 9, October 14, and November 11. Call (727) 462-6800 extension 254, to register.

Clearwater Beach Branch Library

483 Mandalay Avenue, in Pelican Walk
Clearwater Beach, FL 33767
(727) 462-6890

Hours: Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

YOUTH AND FAMILIES

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME - 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday

PROGRAMS

FALL CELEBRATION - October 29, 10:30 a.m. Special Preschool Story Time.
CELEBRITY READING - November 19, 10:30 a.m. Celebrate Children's Book Week with our guest celebrity reader, who will share favorite stories.

ADULTS

CLASSES

INTERNET INSTRUCTION - classes for beginners. Call (727) 462-6890 to register.
Tuesday - 10 a.m.
Thursday - 3:30 p.m.

