

# Pearl River Public Library Newsletter

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“Your Door to the World”

## Adult Activities

**Wed. March 4 & Thur. March 5 10:00am-1:00pm**

### *Defensive Driving Course*

Art Aldrich will teach the driving safety course from the American Safety Institute over 2 days. Registration is required and a fee of \$30 dollars must be paid at registration to attend.

**Sunday, March 15 3:00pm**

### *Ukrainian Easter Egg Workshop*

Learn how to make your own Ukrainian Easter egg designs. Register at the Adult Reference Desk.

**Sunday, March 15 3:00pm**

### *Carolyn Enger in Concert*

Pianist Carolyn Enger will perform the works of Beethoven, Chopin, Schubert, and Brahms on our Kawai baby grand piano.

**Wednesday, March 25 7:00pm**

### *Women’s Self Defense Course*

Karate Master Ray Portante will conduct a women’s safety class. Registration is required.

**Saturday, March 28 10:00-4:00pm**

**Sunday, March 29 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 activity.

**Sunday, April 12 3:00pm**

### *The Chantours Choral Singers*

A dozen members of this group will sing a variety of music in the choral style.

**Sunday, April 19 3:00pm**

### *The Paula Bohovesky Memorial Event*

County Legislator John Murphy and the Pearl River School District will host a Remembrance Ceremony to remember the life of Pearl River High School student Paula Bohovesky. The program will consist of music, singing, poetry and remembrance speeches by Paula’s teachers and friends.

*Please look on Page 4 for additional activities.*

Any questions about any of these activities,  
please contact us at 845-735-4084, x115

## 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 10, trained tax counselors will be available here on Fridays from 10:30am to 2:30pm. If the weather is questionable, please call us before heading out!

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## Like Us on Facebook

We’ve launched a new Facebook page – we’re the one with a picture of our main entrance. Like us and you’ll see:

- **Melville Dewey Monday:** a title from our new Non-Fiction section
- **It’s Tech-Tuesday:** a title from the new technology book section
- **Whimsical Wednesday:** we wander the library in search of the curious, the rarefied, the unique, the esoteric, the...
- **Throw Back Thursday:** something from our archives
- **Fast Fiction Friday:** a new title you might have missed.

There will be programming notes, children’s events and other informative postings. What are you waiting for? Log in, like us and read on!

Like us on our new Facebook page, where you’ll find library news, reviews, archival gems and more!



# SPRING

# Children's Activities

# Spring 2015

## Toddlers and Preschoolers

### Stories, Songs & Silliness with Miss Sarah



Ages: not yet 2 years old with an adult  
Mondays, 11:00-11:30am  
March 2 – 23, April 13 – May 4  
This is the perfect way to introduce your youngster to fun happenings at the library. Join Miss Sarah for stories, songs, bubbles and lots of fun.  
No registration.

### Toddler Yoga with Miss Sue

Ages: walkers not yet 3 years old with an adult  
Thursdays, 9:45-10:15am  
April 16 – May 7  
Miss Sue comes back with her fun, easy intro to yoga for you and your toddler.  
Registration begins Monday, April 13 at 9:30am.



### Preschool Yoga with Miss Sue



Ages: 3-5 years old and not yet in kindergarten  
Thursdays, 10:30-11:15am  
April 16 – May 7  
Miss Sue is back with her popular intro to yoga.  
Registration begins Monday, April 13 at 9:30am.

### Music and Movement with Miss Fran

Ages: 1-4 years old with an adult  
Thursdays, 1:00-1:40pm  
April 16 – May 7  
Let us all sing together with puppets, instruments, props, lots of movement and even more laughter! Join Fran Roesemann and her guitar as we sing, dance, jump and have fun.  
Registration begins Monday, April 13 at 9:30am.

### Preschool Story Time

Ages: 3-5 years old with an adult  
Fridays, 10:30-11:00am  
March 13 – 27, April 10 – May 1  
Stop in for great stories, songs and fun.  
No registration.

### Big Kid Story Time with Miss Annadora

Ages: 4-6 years old, kindergarteners are invited too.  
Tuesdays, 10:30-11:10am or 1:30-2:10pm  
March 10 – 24, April 7 – May 5  
This story time with Miss Annadora is lots of fun! We share stories, nursery rhymes, finger plays and laughter.  
Registration begins Monday, March 2 at 9:30am.

PRPL is open 24/7 at [www.pearlriverlibrary.org](http://www.pearlriverlibrary.org)

## School Age

### Lego Club

Ages: 4 – 10 years old (none younger please)  
Wednesdays, 4:00-5:00pm  
March 11 & 25, April 8 & 22, May 13 & 27  
Be creative with our Lego collection.  
No registration.



### Spanish Play Day

Ages: kindergarten and first grade  
Tuesdays, 4:00-4:45pm  
March 10 – 24, April 7 – 14  
In five 45-minute sessions, through songs and games, the students learn concepts such as: numbers, names of fruits, colors, greetings and anatomy. Class led by Marissa Delgado Cabrera, originally from Argentina.  
Registration begins Monday, March 2 at 9:30am.



### Cat in the Hat Party

Ages: grades kindergarten – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Thursday, March 19, 4:00-5:00pm  
Be here for fun with the “Cat’s Hat,” crafts and cake to celebrate Dr. Seuss’s birthday!  
Registration begins Monday, March 2 at 9:30am.



### Egg Shell Gardening



Ages: grades kindergarten – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Thursday, April 16, 4:00-5:00pm  
Robin Johnson will be here with all you need to start an egg shell garden. Plant the seeds and watch them grow. Plant them in your own garden at home.

Registration begins Monday, April 13 at 9:30am.

## Concerts

Ages: 1-5 years old with an adult

### Mr. Kurt Sings Silly Songs

Thursday, March 12, 10:30-11:15am  
Great music for dancing and jumping and moving around!

### Song Time with Delores JiJi

Tuesday, April 28, 10:30-11:15am  
Delores always brings her guitar Sally.



### Jeffrey Friedberg & the Bossy Frog Band

Thursday, May 21, 10:30-11:15am  
Special guest: The Bossy Frog!

No registration – just come!

## Children's Activities Book Clubs

### Boys, Books & Beyond

Ages: boys in grades 3-5

Fridays, 4:00-4:45pm

March 20: *The Misadventures of Edgar and Alan Poe*

April 17: TBA (Call us or check our website.)

Here's an opportunity for boys to come together and discuss the books they've read. Writing and other activities too.

Registration has begun! Sign up in Children's, and get your book at Circulation.

### 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Girls Book Club

Ages: 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls

Friday, March 20, 3:30-4:30pm

Title: *Inkheart*

Registration has begun! Sign up in Children's, and get your book at Circulation.

### Mother/Daughter Book Discussion

Ages: girls in grades 3-6 and their moms

Thursday, May 7, 7:00-8:30pm

Title: TBA (Call us or check our website.)

Gather together for discussion, a craft and snacks.

Registration begins Monday, April 13 at 9:30am.

# Teen Zone

### Teen Library Council Meetings

Ages: grades 6-12

Wednesday, March 18, 7:00-8:00pm

Wednesday, April 15, 4:00-5:00pm

Wednesday, May 20, 7:00-8:00pm

The TLC is for teens who are interested in volunteer opportunities at the Library or who just want to become more involved in what is happening in the Library. This group helps in planning ongoing teen events, suggesting book and game titles, and more! New members are always welcome. Earn volunteer hours while you are here. Be the first to hear of upcoming events and volunteer opportunities. For more information, contact Mrs. Gunning at 735-4084, x129 or email [pgunning@rcls.org](mailto:pgunning@rcls.org).

**No registration.**



# Teen Zone

### Shredding – Volunteer Opportunity

For current volunteers

Stop in the children's room and earn some volunteer time! We have loads of old boxes of old bills that are no longer needed. Generally, the shredders can handle about 60-90 minutes at a time, as they overheat. Please call the children's desk to see if you can help that day: 845-735-4084, x129.

### Getting Ready for Summer!

Starting May 15, an application for the upcoming year's volunteers will be available on our website. This will be found by clicking the "Teen" tab. Forms will be mailed home to all current teen volunteers.



Volunteers must live in the Pearl River School District, and be in at least 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Those who have completed 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades may assist with children's activities, including summer reading events.

### Summer Volunteer Orientation

Wednesday June 3, 4:00-5:00pm or 7:00-8:00pm

So you've decided to help us out? And earn some volunteer time? A mandatory orientation session will be held for all who want to volunteer over the summer. Choose one session and give us a call to register. Bring your application form and any work or vacation schedules with you.

**Register at the Adult Reference Desk or call 845-735-4084, x115.**

### Teen Writing Workshop

Ages: grades 8-12

Wednesdays, 5:00-6:00pm

March 11, April 8, May 13

This workshop is a supportive place where you will meet other teen writers and, together, set your creative ideas in motion. The workshop is led by librarian John Aiello, who has published fiction, nonfiction and poetry, and holds an MFA in Fiction Writing.



**Register at the Adult Reference Desk or call 845-735-4084, x115.**

### Teen Book Club

Ages: grades 7-12

Tuesday, 4:00-5:00pm

March 10: *Battle of the Books*

**BATTLE**  
 **OF THE**   
**BOOKS**

Learn about the books for the upcoming battle. Will you be joining the team? **The Book Eating Mice** need you!

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## Adult Activities - Continued

**Sunday, April 26 3:00pm**

*Anna Veleva in Concert*

Bulgarian superstar soprano Anna Veleva will sing operatic selections and enchant you with her beautiful voice.

**Monday, May 4 1:00pm**

*Ideal Posture for Life*

Chiropractic Doctor Bret Caminez will conduct free spinal screenings in this workshop to promote overall health.



**Sunday, May 17 3:00pm**

*The Rockland Camerata in Concert*

This concert is **brought to you by the Friends of the Pearl River Public Library** and will feature this venerable county singing group performing Broadway tunes. Refreshments will be served.

*Any questions about any of these activities, please contact us at 845-735-4084, x115*

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### Notary Public Services

For your convenience the Library has three public notaries on staff. While an appointment is not required, we recommend that you call ahead to confirm a notary's availability. This service is offered free of charge to the public.



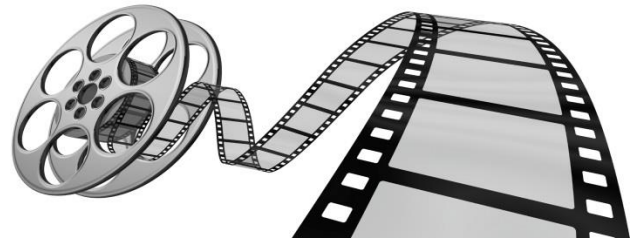
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### Homebound Delivery Service

A mail delivery service funded by LARC (The Library Association of Rockland County) is available for homebound residents unable to travel due to illness, disability or injury. If you or someone you know may be interested in this service, please call the Adult Reference Desk at 735-4084, x115 for additional information.



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### Friday Films:

**All films shown at 2:00pm  
In the Pearl River Room**

March 6 *Twelve Angry Men* (1957)  
Henry Fonda and Lee J. Cobb

March 13 *A Beautiful Mind* (2001)  
Russell Crowe, Ed Harris, Jennifer Connelly

March 20 *Bringing Up Baby* (1938)  
Cary Grant and Katharine Hepburn

March 27 *Sabotage* (1936)  
Sylvia Sydney and Oskar Homolka

April 3 *Blue Hawaii* (1961)  
Elvis Presley, Joan Blackman, Angela Lansbury

April 10 *Ship of Fools* (1965)  
Vivien Leigh and Lee Marvin

April 17 *All about Eve* (1958)  
Bette Davis, Anne Baxter, George Sanders

April 24 *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid* (1969)  
Paul Newman, Robert Redford, Katharine Ross

May 1 *The Searchers* (1956)  
John Wayne, Jeffrey Hunter, Vera Miles

May 8 *Mr. Blandings Builds His Dream House* (1948)  
Cary Grant, Myrna Loy, Melvyn Douglas

May 15 *Sophie's Choice* (1982)  
Meryl Streep, Kevin Kline, Peter MacNicol

May 22 *The Big Sleep* (1946)  
Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall

May 29 *Northern Pursuit* (1943)  
Errol Flynn, Julie Bishop, Helmut Dantine

*Popcorn will be served. Come early for a good seat.*

*No structure built by man lasts as long as a book.*

**Anonymous**

## Paula Bohovesky Gallery Exhibits

### *On the Walls*

#### **March Carol Dyer St. Patrick's Day Parade**

Back by popular demand, photographer Carol Dyer brings the Pearl River St. Patrick's Day Parade to our gallery walls throughout the month of March. Come and see if you can spot a friend or relative among the hundreds of smiling faces in this perennially popular show. Our collection of great Irish literature will accompany the exhibit. March 1–27.



#### **April Paula Bohovesky Day of Remembrance/PRHS Student Exhibit**

Pearl River High School students bring their best work together for an eclectic group show in our Paula Bohovesky Gallery: paintings, drawings, sculptures and multi-media works are on display April 1–28. Reception to be announced.

The month-long art show has been scheduled to coincide with the Paula Bohovesky Day of Remembrance. County Legislator John Murphy and the Pearl River School District will host a ceremony to remember the life of Pearl River High School student and artist Paula Bohovesky. The Program will consist of music, singing, poetry, and remembrance speeches by Paula's teachers and friends on Sunday, April 19, 3:00pm.

#### **May Devinder Ahluwalia Landscapes**

Artist Devinder Ahluwalia comes to our gallery with a show of dramatic landscapes and nature scenes in watercolors and oils. May 1–28. Reception to be announced.

### *In the Cases*

#### **March Photography & Cameras**

From Daguerreotypes to Digital: a history of photography and cameras. This display will feature a collection of vintage and modern cameras, along with archival prints and great photography books from our collection.

#### **April 3-D art – PRHS Students**

As part of our April art exhibit, the display case will feature sculptures and other 3-D works by Pearl River High School students.

#### **May Our First Responders**

Our ongoing series "Our Archives/Your History" continues with a display featuring first responders of Pearl River. Local history librarian James Cassetta brings together archival photographs and ephemera chronicling our first responders from the 1920s to the present.

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

**[www.pearlriverlibrary.org](http://www.pearlriverlibrary.org)**

## Websites to Try



### **FamilyDoctor.org**

<http://familydoctor.org>

This site is operated by the American Academy of Family Physicians, a national organization representing more than 115,900 family physicians, family practice residents, and medical students. All of the information on this site has been written and reviewed by AAFP physicians and patient education professionals. (Visit AAFP.org to learn more.)

Information is organized under six tabs: Diseases & Conditions; Prevention & Wellness; Pregnancy & Newborns; Kids; Teens; and Seniors. You'll also find Health Tools such as a Dictionary and an Immunization Schedule; Drug Info on prescription and over-the-counter medications; and Healthcare Management advice on working with your doctor, handling health insurance, and end-of-life issues.

### **Google Extras**

[www.google.com](http://www.google.com)

Google is constantly adding ways to make searches quicker and easier *right from the search box*. Here are a few:

**Calculator:** Type in your calculation using standard symbols (+ - \* /) and hit enter. Your results will be shown on a virtual calculator.

**Stock Info:** Want to see how a stock did today or this year? Just type in its ticker symbol (GOOG, BDX ...).

**Timer:** Type in the amount of time you'd like Google to count down in the form of: set timer [#] minutes and [#] seconds. (When the alarm goes off, click OK to stop it.)

**6 Degrees of Kevin Bacon game:** Sure, you can go to OracleofBacon.org. Or just type in 'Bacon number' and an actor's name and Google will find that person's degree of separation from Kevin Bacon in the movies.

## ***Did You Know?***

### *James V. Cassetta, MLS*

Most of the Victorian houses built in the 19<sup>th</sup> century along North and South Main Street were originally private homes until the families' economic situations changed. The owners, usually widows, turned to taking in boarders for income. Most boarders were young unmarried working men and women who had left home and were employed by the Dexter Folder plant, Lederle Laboratory, or the Railroad.



In summers, starting in July of 1911, Talbot Dexter, founder of the Dexter Folder Company, would hire a special excursion train to take his employees and their families to outings at Rockland Lake. A good time was had by all who enjoyed cake, ice cream, beer, oysters, watermelon, and ham sandwiches. Foot races and baseball games were held. Around 8:00 pm the train would pull into the Pearl River station with 300 sleepy people full, tired, and happy from the day's activities! Company picnics were held until the early 1970's.



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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 22  
*Easter:* Sunday, April 5  
*Memorial Day Weekend:* Sat., May 23-Mon., May 25

**Board of Trustees**

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*The Board of Trustees meets  
the fourth Monday each month, at 7:30pm.*

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

**Director**

James L. Farrell, Jr., MLS

## Community Resident



# Friends

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*Felice Evans Morris, President*

It's never too late to join or renew! All current *Friends of the Library* have received their membership renewal forms. Be sure to send yours in! Need the form? You can use the coupon below.

The Friends are sponsoring a concert with the Rockland Camerata on Sunday, May 17th at 3pm. There will be a wide range of choral music with refreshments provided by the Friends.

### Friends' Book Discussion Group

The *Friends Book Discussion Group* continues this fall, meeting at 1:00pm on the third Thursday each month. Here are this season's titles:

- March 19: *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*  
by Maya Angelou  
April 16: *Solar*  
by Ian McEwan  
May 21: *Remains of the Day*  
by Kazuo Ishiguro

Copies of these titles are available at the Circulation Desk one month before the discussion.

### Join or Renew – The Friends of the Pearl River Public Library – 2015 Membership Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ \$10 Individual  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$15 Family  
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Please make check payable to **Friends of the Pearl River Public Library** and return with completed form to the Library in person or by mail.  
*Thank you for your support.*