



“Your Door to the World”

# Newsletter

## Pearl River Public Library

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### Adult Activities

**Sunday, June 3 3:00pm**  
***Sculptural Wire Bookmarks***

Join NYC artist Jamie Ross as she teaches you how to make bookmarks with wire. Limit: 20. Register at the Adult Reference Desk or call 735-4084, x115.

**Tuesday, June 5 7:00pm**

***Honoring Our Heritage: A History of Dr. Ernest Lederle and His Laboratories***

Author George Patanovic will share photographs, talk about the writing of his book and answer any questions about this world-renowned company located here in Pearl River since 1906.

**Wednesday June 6 7:00pm**

***The Joys of Hiking***

Peter Reiner of the Adirondack Hiking Club will give a Powerpoint presentation on local hiking opportunities.

**Saturday, June 9 2:00pm**

***The Paula Bohovesky Gallery Dedication***

Join us for the dedication ceremony which will be held in conjunction with a reception for all the Pearl River student artists whose work will be on display during the month of June. Details on page 3.

**Sunday, June 10 3:00pm**

***Bluegrass Music***

Listen to the Home Grown String Band perform a program of traditional Appalachian music accompanied by clog and buck dancing.

**July Fridays 10:00am-1:00pm**

***Teen Tech Tutors***

Our student electronic device experts will be on hand to show you how to use your mobile device, cell phone, laptop, or other electronic gadget. Bring your device to learn.

**Tuesday, July 10 7:00-8:00pm**

***Women’s Self Defense***

Ray Portante of the East Coast Martial Arts Dojo will instruct women on the basics of self-defense. Registration is required. Please stop in or call the Adult Reference Desk at 845-735-4084, x115.

*(Adult Activities continue on page 3)*

### Budget Vote and Trustee Election

Dear Neighbor,

The Pearl River Public Library remains dedicated to providing the best possible service, while holding the line on expenditures. The Library strives to fulfill its mission to “offer educational, recreational and cultural materials, exhibits and programs” for community residents of all ages.

Our community’s library requires adequate funding to acquire new materials, to stay current technologically, and to provide educational and cultural programs that support life-long learning. Appropriate funding is also needed for basic utilities and building maintenance.

The Library Board recognizes that this is again a difficult year to ask for an increase and has kept the request as low as possible. The proposed budget will allow the library to continue to offer personal service while remaining open and staffed the convenient hours that the community has come to expect.

**On Tuesday, June 5, 2012 we are asking you to vote on the fiscal 2012-2013 Pearl River Public Library budget. This year’s budget-to-budget increase is 1.99% with a projected total tax levy increase of 2.18%. This proposed levy is below the full amount of the Library’s allowable tax levy cap increase after exemptions.**

We expect that the Pearl River School District homeowner with the average property assessment of \$200,000 would see an approximately \$9 annual increase over last year—or just about 75¢ per month.

The Library Budget Vote and Trustee Election will be held on Tuesday, June 5, from 9:00am to 9:00pm in the Library’s Pearl River Room. We invite you to join us at the Public Budget Hearing and Candidates Night on Tuesday, May 29 at 7:30pm, immediately preceding the regular Library Trustee Board Meeting.

If you have any questions about the proposed budget or library services, please contact Kathy Rose, Library Director at 735-4085 or [prpldirector@rcls.org](mailto:prpldirector@rcls.org).

***The Library Board of Trustees***

*Please turn the page for a copy of the proposed budget and additional Vote and Trustee Election details.*

# PEARL RIVER PUBLIC LIBRARY

## PROPOSED BUDGET VOTE AND TRUSTEE ELECTION

	Current 2011-2012	Proposed 2012-2013
<b>Revenues</b>		
Interest	5,000	5,000
Fines	28,000	28,000
Grants	6,000	6,000
Gifts	500	500
Miscellaneous Income	26,000	26,000
*Allocation from Fund Balance	120,000	120,000
Amount to be raised by Taxes	<u>1,998,698</u>	<u>2,042,208</u>
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$2,184,198</b>	<b>\$2,227,708</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>		
Library Materials	\$220,000	\$220,000
Library Supplies/Processing	8,500	7,500
Computers/RCLS Network	65,000	70,000
RCLS System Fee	2,575	2,575
Programs	22,000	22,000
Printing/Newsletters	5,000	5,000
Office Supplies	7,000	7,000
Equipment Service Contracts	12,500	12,250
Contracted Services	12,800	12,800
Equipment/Furniture	5,000	5,500
Equipment Rental	5,000	5,000
Building Supplies	6,500	6,200
Building Maintenance & Repair	25,000	25,000
Groundskeeping	7,000	7,000
Gas & Electric	73,000	78,000
Water	1,900	2,400
Sewer Tax	2,950	3,000
Telephone	4,000	4,000
Postage	5,000	4,250
Personnel	1,190,475	1,220,000
Social Security	91,071	93,333
MTA Payroll Tax	4,047	0
Medical Insurance	195,810	189,000
Disability Insurance	9,500	9,500
State Retirement	156,000	166,000
Workers' Compensation	9,970	13,500
Mileage	1,500	1,500
Memberships/Professional Dev.	2,000	2,000
Insurance	19,500	19,500
Audit	5,400	5,400
Legal Fees, Vote	3,200	3,500
Contingency	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$2,184,198</b>	<b>\$2,227,708</b>

\*applied from prior years' savings

**For further Budget Vote & Trustee Election information,  
please call the Pearl River Public Library  
80 Franklin Ave., Pearl River, NY, Phone: 735-4084**

### PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING & PRESENTATION OF LIBRARY TRUSTEE CANDIDATES

at the Library  
**Tuesday, May 29, 7:30 pm**  
Trustee candidates are:  
**Jennifer Brebbia Rankin**  
**Elizabeth A. Van Wynen**

### BUDGET VOTE & TRUSTEE ELECTION

at the Library  
**Tuesday, June 5, 9:00am-9:00pm**

**To elect one (1) member** to the Pearl River Public Library Board of Trustees for a five-year term commencing July 1, 2012 and expiring on June 30, 2017.

**Eligible voters** are residents of the Pearl River Union Free School District, Pearl River, New York 10965 who are 18 years of age by June 5, 2012; who have U.S. citizenship; who have resided in the district for 30 days immediately prior to June 5, 2012 and are registered to vote.

**Voter Registration** is available at the Library for those residents of the Pearl River Union Free School District meeting eligibility criteria who have not previously registered to vote.

**Wednesday, May 30, 9:00am-9:00pm**  
**Thursday, May 31, 9:00am-9:00pm**

**Applications for absentee ballots** may be obtained at the Library, at least seven days prior to the Vote & Election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the Vote & Election if the ballot will be picked up personally by the voter. Absentee ballots must be received no later than 5:00pm, prevailing time, on June 5, 2012.

### *By the Numbers for 2010-11 . . .*

*The Pearl River Public Library served:*

Population	15,300
Card holders	9,885
Hours open per week	67
Items borrowed	203,311

*The Pearl River Public Library provided:*

Books & magazines owned	103,584
Print serial subscriptions	288
DVDs, VHS, CDs, Audiobooks owned	16,703

*The Pearl River Public Library offered:*

Adult program sessions	153
Teen program sessions	48
Children's program sessions	230
Community use sessions	414

*...Total program attendance was 15,908  
including community use session attendance of 7,245.*

## The Hub Gallery Exhibits

- June: Various works by Pearl River Student Artists  
Artists' Reception Saturday, June 9, 1-4pm
- July: Acrylics by Robert Huntoon
- August: Open Photography Show (see details below)
- Quilts: Heritage Quilters of the Hudson Palisades
- Window: Designed and created by Martha Murdock and  
Dick Lewis

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### Remembering Paula

Throughout the spring the Pearl River community held a number of coordinated activities to honor the life of Paula Bohovesky. On April 23, 2012, the Library Board of Trustees passed the following resolution:

*Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Pearl River Public Library vote to approve that the Library Art Exhibit Wall Area will be named "The Paula Bohovesky Gallery" dedicated in memory of Pearl River High School student and Pearl River Public Library employee Paula Bohovesky who, on October 28, 1980, was tragically murdered while on her way home from work as a Library Page.*

A small display of her very special art work will be on display at the Library through the end of June. A dedication ceremony is planned for Saturday, June 9 at 2:00pm, to be held in conjunction with the reception for our student artists.

### August Open Photography Show

It's time to dust off your favorite photographs and share them with Pearl River. All photographs need to be a minimum of 5x7, framed and ready to hang. Submissions will be accepted **Wednesday, August 1, 10am-5pm and Thursday, August 2, 5-8pm.** Be sure to include your name, phone number and a title for your work.

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### Adult Activities

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**Thursday, August 9 7:30pm**

#### Annual Summer Concert

Join the Rockland County Concert Band as they play the music of John Phillip Sousa and other patriotic composers for your summertime listening enjoyment.

**For additional information, please call the Adult Reference Desk at 845-735-4084, x115.**

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*Woe be to him who only reads  
but one book.*

**George Herbert, 1593- 1633**

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## Friday Film Festival

All films are shown on Fridays and begin at 2:00 pm.

June 1 **The Magnificent Seven** (1960)  
*Yul Brynner and Steve McQueen*  
A village of Mexican peasants hire seven Anglo mercenaries to fight a bandit chief and his gang.

June 8 **South Pacific** (1958)  
*Rossano Brazzi and Mitzi Gaynor*  
The classic story of love and romance on a Pacific atoll during World War II.

June 15 **Million Dollar Baby** (2004)  
*Clint Eastwood and Hilary Swank*  
A troubled teen is mentored by a hard-shelled gym owner to achieve boxing greatness.

June 22 **Inherit the Wind** (1960)  
*Frederic March and Spencer Tracy*  
A Tennessee science teacher is tried for the crime of teaching evolution.

June 29 **Memphis Belle** (1990)  
*Harry Connick Jr. and Matthew Modine*  
A tribute to the young bomber pilots who fought WWII.

July 6 **A Shot in the Dark** (1964)  
*Peter Sellers and Elke Sommer*  
Inspector Clouseau is on the trail of a murderer in Paris with the usual funny results.

July 13 **The Rare Breed** (1966)  
*James Stewart and Maureen O'Hara*  
A story about the introduction of the Hereford cattle breeds in the American west.

July 20 **Amadeus** (1984)  
*Tom Hulce and F. Murray Abraham*  
A realistic study of the life of the great Mozart.

July 27 **At War with the Army** (1950)  
*Jerry Lewis and Dean Martin*  
The boys are at it again and at each other as they try to make it in the army.

August 3 **The Fuller Brush Man** (1948)  
*Red Skelton and Hillary Brooke*  
Red loses his job with the city and sells brushes door to door where he finds corruption and murder.

August 10 **A Day at the Races** (1937)  
*The Marx Brothers and Margaret Dumont*  
Enjoy Marx Brothers madness at the racetrack.

August 17 **My Favorite Blonde** (1942)  
*Bob Hope and Madeleine Carroll*  
Nazi spies, performing penguins and war production spying.

August 24 **Please Don't Eat the Daisies** (1960)  
*Doris Day and David Niven*  
An urban drama critic and his wife and four children move to the country.

August 31 **She Wore a Yellow Ribbon** (1949)  
*John Wayne* stars as a Civil War Veteran who must head out on one last campaign before retiring.

*Popcorn too! Come early for a good seat.*

# Youth Services

## Library Happenings for Children and Teens

(Activities are for PRPL cardholders only.)

### Children's Happenings (Infants – 6<sup>th</sup> grade)

#### Chess Friday

Friday, June 1, 3:45-4:45pm

Ages: grades 2-6

Come and play chess. Beginners welcome.

No registration.

#### Sukey Molloy and Friends: I Am Happy!

Tuesday, June 5, 10:30-11:15am

Ages: up to 6 years old

Come and dance along with Sukey and the band. Hear old favorite tunes and learn a few new ones.

No registration.

#### Lego Club

Wednesday, June 6, 4:00-5:00pm

Ages: 4-12 years old

Bring your imagination and build with our Lego collection. No registration – bring a friend!



#### Homework Help

Wednesday, June 6, 4:00-5:00pm

Ages: kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup> grade

Teen volunteers are available to help your child get his/her homework finished. Having trouble with math? Science? Anything else? Let the teens help.

No registration, just bring homework.

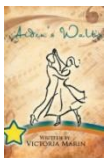
*Lego Club, Homework Help and Chess Friday are on hiatus during the summer. All three activities will return in the fall.*

#### Meet the Author: Victoria Marin

Tuesday, June 5, 4:00-5:00pm

Ages: kindergarten and up

Ms. Marin will be here to talk about her newly released book, *Aiden's Waltz*. This "sublimely reflective tale" is the story of a young boy with autism.



**Register:** Monday, May 21-Friday, June 1, 10:00am-8:00pm, Friday to 5:00pm.

### Teens (6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grades)

#### Teen Volunteer Opportunities:

##### Summer Reading Program & Teen Tech Tutors needed!

There will be volunteer opportunities every weekday from June 25th through August 9th for teens to participate and fulfill volunteer requirements. Returning volunteers will receive new applications by mail in May. New volunteers or anyone who did not receive an application by mail can pick one up at the Adult Information Desk or download one from the teen home page of the Library website after April 30. For more information contact Ms. Linder at ext. 138.

#### Teen Volunteer Orientation

Wednesday, May 30 or June 6, 4:00-5:00pm

All new & returning teen volunteers must attend Teen Volunteer Orientation to prepare for the upcoming Summer Reading events. If you have a conflict with either of these dates please see Ms. Linder. **Registration is required.** Stop by the Adult Information Desk or call ext. 115

#### Tuesday Teen Book Club

Tuesday, June 12, 4:00-5:00pm

Each month teens meet, select books and answer trivia for cool prizes (snacks included!). Register for this program at the Adult Information Desk. This club will continue through the summer and will become the 2012 Battle of the Books team. Look for more information in the upcoming Summer Reading Newsletter.

#### Jr. Friends Book Sale

Friday, June 15, 4:00-8:00pm

Stop by the library on June 15 to see our selection of great children's and adult books for sale, sponsored by the Jr. Friends group. This group (Teen Library Council) is a subgroup of the Friends of the Pearl River Public Library. These teens help advocate for library services and help to raise money for new items for the teen collections and programming extras.

#### SRP T-Shirts

Thursday, June 21 or Friday, June 22, 2:00-5:00pm

Design your own T-Shirt for Summer Reading or just for yourself. Ms. Arlene, our crafter extraordinaire, will be on hand to help teens create and execute their designs. **Registration is required.** Any registered teen volunteer that participates in this event will receive a ½ hour of volunteer time when they wear their t-shirts during Summer Reading Events.

#### Study Space @ Your Library

Monday, June 11-Thursday, June 14, 11:00am-9:00pm

Monday, June 18-Wednesday, June 20, 11:00am-9:00pm

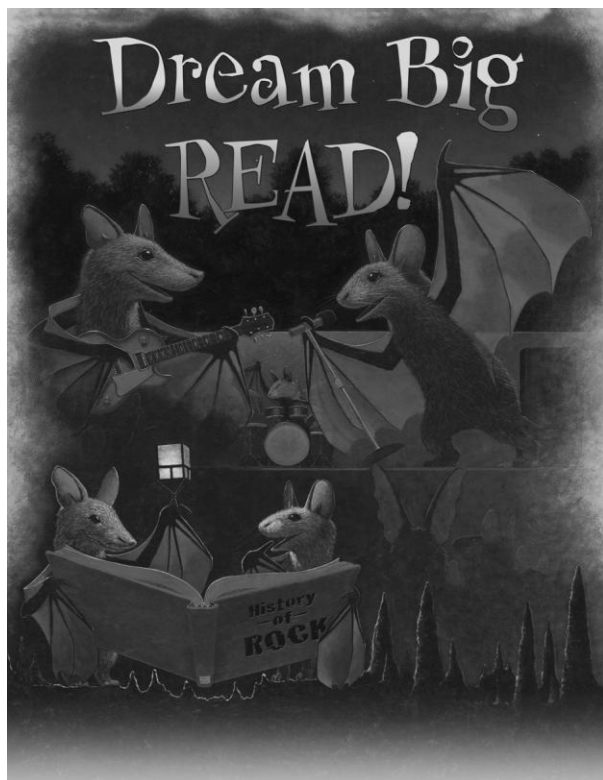
Back by popular demand! The Library Community Room will be available to all Pearl River students who need a quiet place to study for final exams.

Dream Big  
READ!

OWN  
the NIGHT

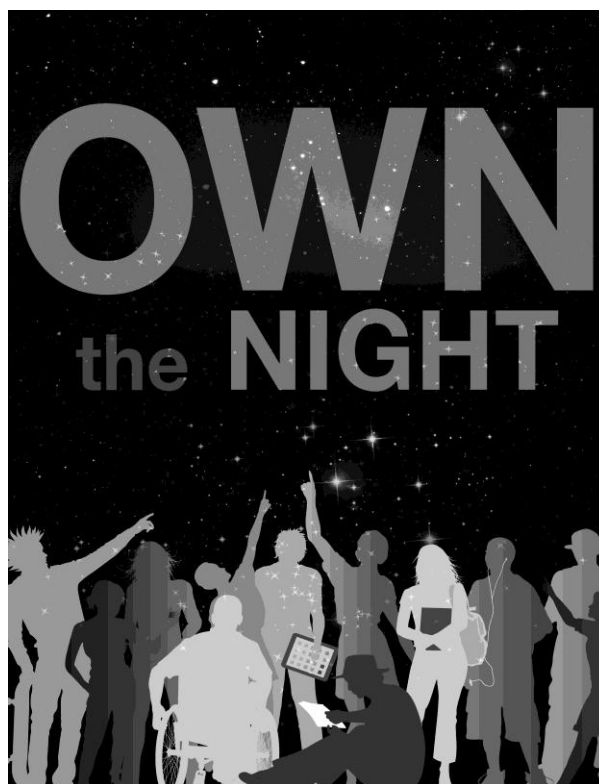
Watch for our special edition Summer Reading Program Newsletter on or about June 1, filled with summer activities. The theme for the children is: **Dream Big: Read!** The teen theme is: **Own the Night.** Come and share your dreams with us this summer! Activities begin the last week in June.

# *Summer Reading @ Your Library!*



Children's Summer  
Reading Program:  
Dream Big: Read!

Teen Summer  
Reading Program:  
Own the Night



Details of our summer reading programs for children through high school will be available in our special edition newsletter, *The Dream Journal*.

It will be arriving in your home on or about June 1.  
Copies will also be available in the Library on that date.



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### Library Hours

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

### Summer Hours (starting June 16)

Monday-Thursday: 9:00am-9:00pm  
Friday: 10:00am-5:00pm  
Saturday: 10:00am-2:00pm  
Sunday: Closed

### Holiday Closings

Independence Day Wednesday, July 4

### Board of Trustees

Kelley Hader, President  
Thomas H. Quinlan, P.E., Vice President  
Anne Brebbia  
Gloria Donoghue  
Debra Garcia-McDermott  
*The Library Board meets at 7:30pm on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday.  
Please call to confirm.*

### Director

Kathleen W. Rose

## Community Resident Pearl River, NY 10965

***Library Budget Vote  
and Trustee Election***  
**Tuesday, June 5, 9:00am-9:00pm**  
**See inside for details.**

## Friends' Corner

Felice Evans Morris, President

As we have in the last couple of years, the Friends will be sponsoring the bags for the children in the summer reading program. The children enjoy receiving these bags and use them all summer.

The Friends' Book Discussion Club continues to meet every third Thursday at 1:00pm. Upcoming titles are:

June 21 *Mudbound* by Hillary Jordan  
July 19 *Freedom* by Jonathan Frazen  
August 16 *Their Eyes Were Watching God*  
by Zora Neale Hurston

The Friends' sponsored concert held April 29 was a big success! Many turned out to hear Gathering Time and their acoustic folk harmony music.

Interested in being a part of planning these and other great events? Join the Friends and attend the Steering Committee meeting, the first Monday of the month at **9:30am**.

## Did You Know?

James V. Cassetta, MLS

During Prohibition, there were three stills operating in Pearl River. One was raided by the police on a cold February day in the vicinity of Highland Avenue. The town's one man police force, Fred Kennedy, had to deputize Gus Gieger and taxi cab owner George Oakley to drive up to Highland Avenue as Kennedy did not have a car. They caught the bootlegger who was filling barrels from a vat of beer. The bootlegger's name is not known but he was turned over to state police.



Where Mel's Army and Navy store is today, on the corner of Franklin and William Street, were two notable homes. On the corner stood the home of an English woman, Mrs. Allcock, who ran a sandwich and tea room. Up from the corner was the home of Doctor Felter. These homes were demolished shortly after the Second World War to make room for the building Mel is in today.

