

# Books & Beyond

## Oak Bluffs Public Library

#### From The Director

Summer is behind us and what a summer it was! The use of the library increased again this year. During July and August more than twenty two thousand people visited the library, and 27,836 books, movies, music and other library materials were borrowed, or about 80 items per hour. Close to two thousand attended programs for children and adults at the library. Public computers, as well as Wi-Fi were also very popular.

The staff was very busy, and we could not have managed without the help from our volunteers. A big "thank you" to them for all the work they do to support their library. We are grateful to many individuals and organizations, such as Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Polar Bears, Black Dog Kids, Inc., the Pequot Hotel, who donated funds for library programs and materials. Community support for the library is very important as we strive to overcome the current economic challenges and continue to meet the community's needs.

We are looking forward to your next visit. Many programs for all ages are planned, and the library offers a variety of valuable resources to help you save time and money. You can visit <a href="https://www.masslib.org/value-new/calculator">www.masslib.org/value-new/calculator</a> and use the "library calculator" to learn how much you can save by using your library.

Danguole Budris, Library Director

#### **Library Announces New Hours - Starting Nov. 3**

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 10 AM - 6 PM Thursday 10 AM - 8 PM Saturday 10 AM - 4 PM

Current Library Hours: Tuesday & Thursday: 10am-8pm; Wednesday, Friday & Saturday: 10am-5pm; Sunday & Monday: Closed \*New Library Hours Beginning November 3

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WWF stuffed polar bear and adoption certificate in Children's Room.



Hafiz Farid discussing the documentary, "Yes We Can: The Possible Dream".

#### From the Children's Room

Summer Reading Program: More than 1,230 patrons (890 children/teens & 340 adults) participated in the 43 children's/teen programs offered in July and August. In total, 1,051 polar points (one point per one hour of reading) were earned, surpassing the 800 polar points challenge enabling us to adopt a symbolic polar bear through the World Wildlife Fund (WWF). The adoption was kindly financed by our new charity benefactor, Black Dog Kids, Inc.. A WWF stuffed polar bear and adoption certificate are displayed in the showcase in the Children's Room to commemorate the children's proud accomplishment. Throughout the summer, many parents and children complimented the summer reading program's organization and charity focus, and remarked that the performers / programs were "the best ever." As one nine-year-old girl said, "The summer reading program was so much fun. I wish it wasn't going to be over!"

**Fall Programs:** Our fall schedule includes weekly toddler and preschool storytimes on Wednesdays, three monthly books clubs: elementary, middle school, and teen on Saturdays.

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#### The Library Invites YOU To Be A Volunteer!

Are you looking for a good cause to donate your time and energy to? Do you have a skill that you want to share with other community members? Do you need to fulfill your school community service requirements or improve your resume for going to college or for a career change?



The library is seeking volunteers to help with shelving children's books, commu-

nity programs and events, computer training and other activities. Please speak to a library staff member today and fill out a volunteer survey. We will compare your background and skills with the library's needs and try to create a rewarding volunteer opportunity for YOU at your local library.

#### **MV Libraries Support The Island Food Pantry**

During the month of December the Martha's Vineyard Library Association is promoting a fine amnesty program to support the Island Food Pantry.

The Oak Bluffs Public Library will be offering fine amnesty between the dates of Tuesday, December 15 and Saturday, December 19. During this time, library patrons may bring a donation of a non-perishable food items to the library, along with any library materials that are overdue. We will waive the fines on these materials for making a donation to the Island Food Pantry.

Each Island library will be offering fine amnesty differently. Please call your local library for full details. Thank you for helping us support Island community members in need.

#### Library Friends - Fall Update!

The Library Friends have had a busy few months. The annual book sale in July was a great success. The sale raised money for the library and provided the community with the opportunity to purchase books at more than bargain prices. Donations for the book sale are very appreciated, please bring your used books (in good condition) to the library, and they will be added to next summer's book sale.

In late August, the Friends presented a program called "A Sense of Place and Pride: A Celebration of the African American Presence in Oak Bluffs". The successful event was standing room only and was televised on MVTV. Thank you to the program participants who made it a special community event.

Please join us at the library in December for our annual holiday open house featuring food, music and good cheer. The Friends welcome new members from all walks of life who share a love for our community's library. If you want to become a member, contact Gail Barmakian, Chairman through the library.

**Friends Mission Statement:** "To promote the library as an active, dynamic, education and information center in the community and to support, maintain and enhance our library's programs, services and collections."

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#### Did You Know?

You can borrow materials from other libraries through Interlibrary Loan.
Anyone with a valid CLAMS library card may request items.
Speak to a friendly staff member today to learn more.

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#### Fall Season Premiers - Books, Music, Movies & Beyond!

#### **Non-Fiction**

**Last Words: TK** by George Carlin

Anne Frank: the Book, the Life, the After*life* by Francine Prose

What the Dog Saw by Malcolm Gladwell

The Sisters Who Would be **Queen** by Leanda Lisle

You Better Not Cry: Stories for Christmas by Augusten Burroughs

Reinventing the Body, Resurrecting the Soul by Deepak Chokra

**Rowing the Atlantic** by Roz Savage

#### Fiction

**The Year of the Flood** by Margaret Atwood

*Necessary as Blood* by Deborah Crombie

*Her Fearful Symmetry* by Audrey Niffenegger

**Dark Tiger** by William Tapply

Rough Country by John Sanford

**Cleopatra's Daughter** by Michelle Moran

EILEEN GOUDGE

**The Professional** by Robert B. Parker

Day After Night by Anita Diamant

Once in a Blue Moon by Eileen Goudge

#### **Cooking**

The Moosewood Restaurant Cooking for **Health** by Collective

**New Classic Family Dinners** by Mark Peel

The Cake Mix Doctor Returns! by Anne Byrne

The new Boston globe cookbook: more than 200 classic... edited by Sheryl Julian

Lidia Cooks from the Heart of Italy by Lidia Bastianich

The Conscious Cook: Delicious Meatless **Recipes...** by Tal Ronnen

The Illustrated Quick Cook edited by Heather Whinney

#### Arts & Crafts

Kaffe Fassett's Country Garden Quilts by Kaffe Fassett

Martha Stewart's Encyclopedia of Crafts by the editors of Martha's Stewart Living

**Painting on Glass and Ceramic** by Karen **Embry** 

Ultimate Cardmaking: a collection of over 100 techniques by Sarah Beaman

**Best of Christmas Ideas** by Better Homes and Gardens

**Eco Crafting for the Home** by Susan Wasinger

Pretty Little Felts: Mixed Media Crafts to Tickle Your Fancy by Julie Collings

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#### **Local History & Authors**

Seen The Glory by John Hough Jr.

Death and Honesty by Cynthia Riggs

**The Big One** by David Kinney

Skunk Night Sonnets by Daniel Waters



Let's Get It On by Jill Nelson

A Garden Lover's Martha's Vineyard by C.L. Fornari

It Was 40 Years Ago Today by Tom Dresser

Morning Glory Farm and the Family that Feeds an Island by Tom Dunlop

#### **Audiobooks**

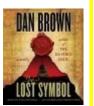
*True Compass* by Edward M. Kennedy

**The End of Overeating** by David Kessner

Strength in What Remains by Tracy Kidder

The Lost Symbol by Dan Brown

**Knockout** by Catherine Coulter



The UltraMind Solution by Mark Hyman

Homer & Langley by E.L. Doctorow

*Nine Dragons* by Michael Connelly

Last Night in Twisted River by John Irving

#### **Movies**

The Proposal starring Sandra Bullock

*Up* by Disney

Angels and Demons starring
Tom Hanks



Star Trek by Paramount

State of Play starring Russel Crowe

Julie and Julia starring Meryl Streep

Sunshine Cleaning starring Amy Adams

Away We Go starring John Krasinski

Grey Gardens starring Drew Barrymore

**Revolutionary Road** starring Kate Winslet

#### **Online - Library Services**

**Learn a language -** try *Mango Languages*, our easy to use, online language learning program (home or in-library use).

Download music & audiobooks - download audiobooks and music to listen to on your computer, or transfer them to an MP3 Player and take them with you! A Download Station is available at the library.

**Join our Email Lists -** visit our homepage **www.oakbluffslibrary.org** and sign up to receive Email updates about library events, and about library news, pictures, and more!

**Research your family history -** come to the library and use our subscription to the Ancestry.com genealogical website to find information about your family's history!

#### From The Children's Room

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Monthly events include a bilingual storytime (English-Portuguese) and children's and family movies. Additionally, special events are planned such as a Halloween Costume Party.

New Lego Club: Inspired by a recent *School Library Journal* article and collaboration with the school librarian, we have decided to start a library Lego Club in the Children's Room. Lego clubs, often led by a father/grandfather volunteer, are springing up in libraries throughout the nation in an effort to primarily attract boys to reading. The tactile and kinesthetic learning provided by the manipulatives, in duet with the creative opportunities for problem-solving, increasing attention and vocabulary, connects legos to literacy. Weekly building themes lead boys and girls to books about legos or books about specific structures, time periods, or science related to the building theme. In order to make this club possible, we need to ask for public donations of new and used legos. Your generosity would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

**Children's Program Blog:** Please visit our Children's Program Blog on our website for pictures and descriptions of programming and resources.

#### Staff Spotlight - Rosemary Hildreth

Rosemary is an Administrative Assistant and Technical Services Associate. She has worked at the library for 17 years and her knowledge of the library's collection is appreciated by staff and patrons. She can usually be found ordering library materials and preparing them for the shelves.

**Favorite Movie(s):** Dan In Real Life, When Harry Met

Sally, Family Stone, Titanic.

**Favorite Book Genre:** Non Fiction

**Last Book I Read:** *This is Where I Leave You* by Jonathan Tropper.

**Likes:** The outdoors, birding, my Yorkie and spending time with friends and family.

**Dislikes:** Dishonesty and negativity.

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#### **Fact or Fiction**

A world record attempt for the World's Longest Sandwich was disrupted, when a hungry crowd in Tehran, Iran ate a 4,921 foot sandwich filled with over 3,000 pounds of ostrich and chicken meat before it could be measured.

World Almanac '09—fact

Library Hours Starting Nov. 3

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 10 AM to 6 PM

> Thursday 10 AM to 8 PM

> Saturday 10 AM to 4 PM

Sunday & Monday Closed

## **Ongoing Monthly Events at the OBPL**

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Every Wed. 10 AM Coffee Time	(1st Thurs.) 6 PM Movie Night		Every Sat. 10 AM Scrabble Group
Every Wed.10:30 AM Storytime (Toddler)	Every Thurs. 10 AM Writers Group		Every Sat. 10 AM Chess Group
Every Wed.11:30 AM Storytime (Preschool)			Monthly Children's Book Clubs
(3rd Wed) 10:30 AM Poetry Group			Monthly Bilingual Storytime
(4th Wed) 10:30 AM Book Discussion Group			

## **More Upcoming Events**

Thurs., Oct. 22 at 6:00 PM	Thurs., Nov. 5 at 6:00 PM	Thurs., Dec. 3 at 6:00 PM
Health Talk - Nicole Barlett	Movie - Musical & Performance	Movie Night - Starring Sandra
"The Flu and You"	Documentary, Rated PG-13	Bullock, Rated PG-13
Sat. Oct. 24 at 3:30 PM Children's Book Club My Haunted House - A. Sage	Sat., Nov. 7 at 1:30 PM Children's & Family Movie	Sat., Dec. 5 at 1:30 PM Children's & Family Movie
Wed., Oct. 28 at 10:30 AM Book Discussion Meeting Water for Elephants - S. Gruen	Thurs., Nov. 12 at 6:00 PM Poetry Reading - Dan Waters Skunk Night Sonnets & More	Wed., Dec. 9 at 10:30 AM Book Discussion Meeting I Should Be by B. Hall
Sat. Oct. 31 at 12:30 PM	Sat., Nov. 14 at 1:00 PM	Thurs., Dec. 10 at 6:00 PM
Wii & Board Games	Celebrate National Gaming Day	Polly Hill Arboretum Talk
Ages 12 - Infinity	Wii & Board Games (All Ages)	Tom Clark
Sat., October 31 at 3:30 PM	Sat., Nov. 21 at 1:00 PM	Sat., Dec. 12 at 2:00 PM
Halloween Costume Party	Downloading Audio Books	Movie - Starring Meryl Streep
Children's Room	<b>Signup Required</b>	and Amy Adams, Rated PG-13

To learn about more library events and news, please visit our website at: www.oakbluffslibrary.org and sign up to receive news and events through email!



During July, Haiti's Minister of Women's Affairs and Rights spoke at the library.



Andrea Taylor and Library Trustee, Beatrice Green at our Della Hardman Day event.



Gus Ben David wowed a multi-generational audience in the library's meeting room.



Lou Berger talked to a full house, about his work as a writer for Sesame Street.



The Dream Tale Puppets show was a Summer Reading Program 2009 event.



A large crowd enjoyed Michael Wooley's slideshow of Australia's Great Barrier Reef.