



Books & Beyond

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From The Director

As we enjoy the change of seasons, it is always a pleasure to join the community in welcoming back our seasonal residents and visitors. Visit your friendly library staff soon and learn about the exciting programs and services at your library.

Remember to capture your favorite Island moments and scenery through your camera lens. This is the third year that the library, in conjunction with the annual celebration of Della Hardman Day on Saturday, July 31, is sponsoring a photography contest to select images featuring Martha's Vineyard that reflect Della's legacy theme ~ "**savor the moment.**"

Photographs will be judged based on the artful representation of the "Savor the Moment" theme during all four seasons on the Island. The winning entries will be published in the Library Calendar for 2011. The deadline for submitting your photographs is May 29 at 4 PM. The entry form is available on our web site and at the library.

Danguole Budris,
Library Director

Red Carpet Summer Events @ Your Library

- * Thursday, May 20 at 6:30 PM - *Birding in New Zealand* - A slideshow and talk by local birding expert, Susan B. Whiting.
- * Thursday, June 19 at 2:00 PM - *Author Visit* - Local mystery author, Judy Campbell, will talk about her new book, *A Deadly Mission*.
- * Thursday, June 24 at 6:30 PM - *The Barrier Reefs of Utila, Honduras* - A slideshow by local artist & diving enthusiast, Michael Wooley.



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Library Hours: Tues., Wed. & Fri.: 10am-6pm;
Thurs.: 10am-8pm; Sat.: 10am-4pm; Sun. & Mon.: Closed

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Olivia the pig gets a group hug from her many admirers at a recent storytime.



Jay Schofield, experienced metal detector, sharing his craft and entertaining stories with the crowd.

From The Children's Room

We are busy preparing for the 2010 Summer Reading Program: Go Green @ Your Library. This summer's programming will have an environmental focus including: Felix Neck Sanctuary, Polly Hill Arboretum, and Gus Ben David's *Animal Interviews*. July and August storytimes will feature eco themes such as trees, ocean, gardens, and bees. We will use recycled materials in our craft projects. Our 2010 Summer Reading Program has three levels: Reduce, Re-use, and Recycle. Each level is achieved by reading 3 hours (or 12 picture books for young children). Picture books can be read to a child or baby as well.

Sharkey's Cantina has generously donated 250 green lanyards with the library's name on them, one for each child who reaches the first level in the summer reading program. The Black Dog KIDS once again agreed to donate money to the World Wildlife Fund when our combined reading hours total 900. The donation will be used to adopt an endangered sea turtle as part of our charity-based program. Last year we adopted a polar bear.

Remember to check our Children's Room Blog for pictures and descriptions of our activities.

Tech IT Out: Technology Blooms @ OBPL

On Saturday, March 20, a crowd of 60 people attended the library's 2nd Annual Technology Fair. Community, school, library, and business leaders presented new information and communication technologies to the public.

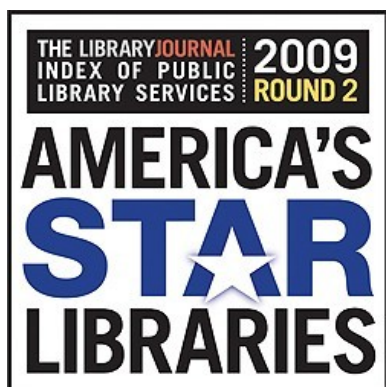
Many people came to learn about electronic books and reading devices such as the Amazon Kindle. Others attended to see kids from the Oak Bluffs School demonstrate animation software and web design projects. Community nonprofits came to be educated about a new electronic information privacy law. One attendee wrote to The MV Times, "The fair was a wonderful learning opportunity that provided some very useful business information and resources."

As technology becomes more a part of our daily lives the library is becoming an important community resource for learning about the latest electronics and technology trends. Computer classes, online language learning, downloadable audiobooks and music, and other popular programs and services are being offered at your library.

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Off-Season Update: A Blizzard Of News & Events!

Whether metal detecting in surf and sand, connecting with fossils, learning about winter gardening or listening to poets and authors discuss their works, the off-season was a busy season at your library. A series of computer classes were very popular, requiring a waiting list for all 6 classes. Also of note, new book clubs for children and teens were launched this winter and they continue to grow in popularity.



The OBPL was one of only 258 public libraries in the country to receive a star rating by Library Journal's Index of Public Library Service 2009. The ratings are based upon per capita statistics for the circulation of materials, visits to the library, attendance at library programs and public computer logons.

Learn about upcoming programs and sign up to receive email alerts about news and events through the library's website. Your library is a year-round blizzard of *Books & Beyond*!

From The Library Friends - Summer Book Sale!

WANTED...Gently Used Books: please donate your used books to the Library Friends of Oak Bluffs for our summer book sale! We are accepting books of all types that are in good shape—no missing pages, water damage or mold.

You may drop off your books at the library, Tuesday—Saturday during library hours. If you have a lot of books to donate please help us by calling e.l. Edwards in advance at 508-693-8326. If you can't get your book donation to the library, we can arrange a pickup at your convenience. The summer book sale will take place at the library — July 23, 10AM - 5PM, July 24, 10AM - 3PM and July 25, 12PM - 2PM.

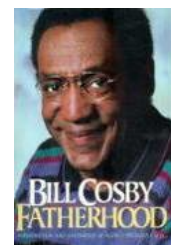
The Library Friends are always looking for new members who share our love for our library. Membership is flexible whether it be seasonal, part-time, or year round. Meetings are held the first Monday of every month at 7:00 PM.

Did You Know?

Blu-Ray Discs, Nintendo Wii and Nintendo DS games are now available. Visit the downstairs DVD section to browse the latest hit movies and video games. And don't forget, you can also borrow E-books and audiobooks using the library's online download service.

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Bestsellers From Our FavorLIT Summers

Summer of '97*Cold Mountain* by Charles Frazier*Snow in August* by Pete Hamill*Angela's Ashes* by Frank McCourt*Into Thin Air* by Jon Krakauer*The Perfect Storm* by Sebastian Junger*Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil* by John Berendt*London* by Edward Rutherfurd*Oh, The Places You'll Go!* by Dr. Seuss*Chasing Cezanne* by Peter MayleSummer of '84*The Walking Drum* by Louis L'Amour*The Witches of Eastwick* by John Updike*Wired* by Bob Woodward*A Light in the Attic* by Shel Silverstein*Tough Guys Don't Dance* by Norman Mailer*The Fourth Protocol* by Frederick Forsyth*The Kennedys: an American drama* by Peter Collier and David Horowitz*Motherhood: the second oldest profession* by Erma BombeckSummer of '81*Cosmos* by Carl Sagan*Cujo* by Stephen King*Noble House* by James Clavell*Trade Wind* by M.M. Kaye*License Renewed* by John Gardner*Mornings on Horseback* by David McCullough*The Covenant* by James Michener*The Glitter Dome* by Joseph Wambaugh*Gorky Park* by Martin Cruz SmithSummer of '87*Windmills of the Gods* by Sidney Sheldon*The Prince of Tides* by Pat Conroy*Empire* by Gore Vidal*Fatherhood* by Bill Cosby*The Fatal Shore* by Robert Hughes*Pale Kings and Princes* by Robert B. Parker*Red Storm Rising* by Tom Clancy*The Closing of the American Mind* by Allan Bloom*The Great Depression of 1990* by Ravi Batra

Bestsellers From Our FavorLIT Summers

Best Summer Movies

The Endless Summer (1966) - many consider it the best surfing documentary.

The Sixth Sense (1999) - horror/suspense.

Jaws (1975) - a Steven Spielberg classic.

Summertime (1955) - a classic drama starring Katherine Hepburn.

Jazz On A Summer's Day (1960) - a documentary of the Newport Jazz Festival.

Dog Day Afternoon (1975) - a bank heist - suspense film starring Al Pacino.

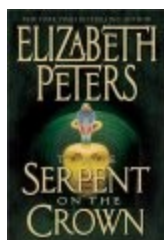
Do The Right Thing (1989) - explores contemporary race relations, a Spike Lee joint.

Best Summer Listening - Audiobooks

My Life by Bill Clinton

The Harry Potter Audiobook Series

The Serpent on the Crown by Elizabeth Peters



The Thirteenth Tale by Diane Setterfield

The Help by Kathryn Stockett

A Breath of Snow and Ashes by Diana Gabaldon

Dress Your Family in Corduroy and Denim by David Sedaris

Lost Light by Michael Connelly

All Time Summer Favorites

Mat's Choice: *Everything* by Kurt Vonnegut. One summer I biked around the seacoast area of NH during my days off from work. I would plan my trip to end up at a park near my house, where I would sit and read one of Vonnegut's books. I really enjoyed thinking about the social and political messages he weaved into his novels.

Jessica's Choice: *Olive's Ocean* by Kevin Henkes. A Newberry Honor book about a teenage girl's summer spent at a beachside house on Cape Cod following the death of a classmate. Adults will also enjoy this novel.

Rosemary's Choice: *This is Where I Leave You* by Jonathan Tropper. Reading this book is the perfect way to spend a summer day. It is laugh-out-loud funny!

Anita's Choice: *Caught* by Harlen Coben. I really enjoyed the plot and characters of Coben's latest novel. You will discover a new favorite author if you read this book.

Anna Marie's Choice: *Where the Girls Are: Growing Up Female with the Mass Media* by Susan J. Douglas. Author Douglas takes us back to the 50s and 60s and tells us why the Shirelles matter. When they sing "Will you still love me tomorrow" we all knew what they were doing the night before. This book will bring back memories of first love, prom night, Chevy convertibles, and sitcoms while putting them into a modern perspective.

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- * Thursday, July 15 at 6:00 PM - *Animal Interviews* - An animal show & tell by local expert, Gus Ben David.
- * Date/Time TBA - *African Americans on Martha's Vineyard* - Local author, Thomas Dresser, will discuss his new book.
- * Saturday, July 31 at 1:00 PM - Third Annual Della Hardman Day - *Savor The Moment* - Photography Exhibition Opening.
- * Date/Time TBA - *Hope For The Homeless...* - A documentary screening with the director, Hafiz Farid.

Staff Spotlight - Anna Marie D'Addarie

Anna Marie D'Addarie moved to the Vineyard in 1999 with her husband Don Creighton. Before coming to work here as a library aide in the summer of 2008, she worked as Calendar Editor for the M.V. Times for 5 years. She recently left M.V. Community Services to take the full-time position as Library Assistant.

Giving back to the community as a volunteer is important to Anna Marie. You might find her in the back room at the Thrift Shop in Vineyard Haven; teaching knitting, spinning, and handcrafts at various places around the Island; and us-



ing her writing ability to help non-profit groups. She is on the Board of Directors of the Island Community Chorus and is a proud member of their Alto section.

Favorite Movie(s): *Laura* - film noir classic with Dana Andrews, Clifton Webb, and Gene Tierney.

Favorite Book Genre(s): Mysteries and non-fiction about culture.

Favorite Song(s): *At Last* by Etta James.

Last Book I Read: *Mrs. Dalloway* by Virginia Woolf.

Likes: All things that celebrate my Italian heritage: food, culture, opera, art, etc.

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Fact or Fiction

In the early 1990's after reading Dorothy West's *Vineyard Gazette* articles, Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis helped West secure a book contract for her novel, *The Wedding*. Later, Oprah Winfrey produced a television adaptation of the novel starring Halle Berry.

Harlem Renaissance Lives —fact

Library Hours

**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 Teen & Child. Book Clubs
(3rd Wed) 10:30 AM Poetry Group			Bilingual Storytime (Check Events Calendar)
(4th Wed) 10:30 AM Book Discussion Group			

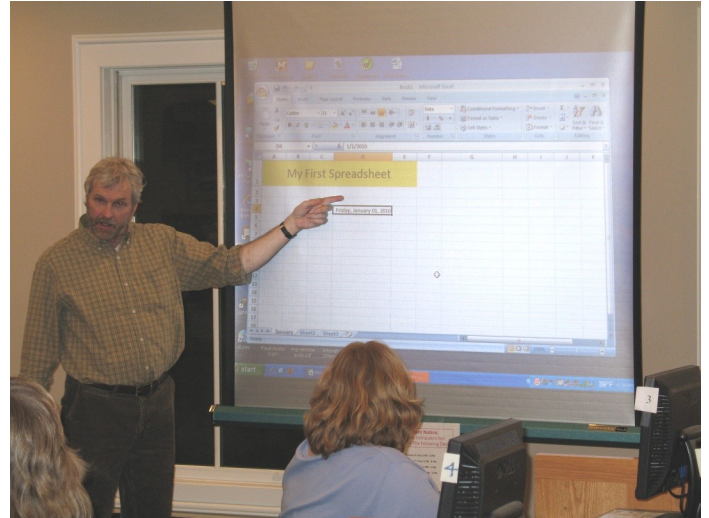
More Upcoming Events

Thurs., May 20 at 6:30 PM <i>Birding in New Zealand</i> Slideshow by Susan Whiting	Thurs., July 15 at 6:00 PM & Thurs. Aug. 12 at 6:00 PM <i>Animal Interviews</i> - Gus Ben David	Fri., July 30 at 12:00 PM <i>Peter Rabbit Picnic</i> (Children's Event)
Sat., May 22 at 8:00 AM Vineyard Birding Walk Sign Up Required	Tues., July 20 at 2:00 PM <i>Watershed Wonders</i> (Grades 1-4) Felix Neck - Sign Up Required	Sat., July 31 at 1:00 PM Third Annual Della Hardman Day. <i>Savor The Moment</i> - Photography Exhibition Opening.
Sat., June 19 at 2:00 PM <i>A Deadly Mission</i> Author Visit by Judy Campbell	Thurs., July 22 at 10:00 AM <i>Nature Exploration</i> (Grades 1-4) Polly Hill - Sign Up Required	Tues., Aug. 3 at 2:00 PM <i>Building Better Bugs</i> (Gr. 1-4) Felix Neck - Sign Up Req.
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Thurs., July 8 at 3:00 PM <i>Turtle Time</i> (Grades 1-4) Felix Neck - Sign Up Req.	Date/Time TBA <i>African Americans on MV</i> Author Visit by Thomas Dresser	Thurs., Aug. 26 at 6:00 PM Slideshow & Book Signing Alan Brigash & Susan Klein

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!



Doug Cabral, editor of the MV Times, speaking to a crowd at the Technology Fair.



Richard Hammond, continuing education instructor, teaching a computer class.



A thoughtful volunteer brought her ostrich egg to share at an egg themed storytime.



Martha Moore from Associated Grant Makers, teaching about grant seeking resources.



This young library patron thinks that story-times are grrrrreat.



The children really enjoyed wearing their costumes at dress-up storytime.