

December 2017

***The Three Strings* Will Perform Holiday Music at the Lake Wales Public Library**

The 3 Strings, a brother and sisters trio from Highlands County will present the Lake Wales Public Library's 3rd annual Holiday Concert, featuring talented young musicians.

The 3 Strings will perform in the Lake Wales Public Library's main lobby at 4 pm on Monday, December 11. This concert is endorsed by Sandy's Music Girls and sponsored by the Lake Wales Library Association.

The 3 Strings are a string trio comprised of siblings who love playing music together. The Three Strings have received wide acclaim.

They were invited to attend the Fine Arts Summer Academy in Nashville, Tennessee where they played on the stage of the Grand Ole Opry, backing musicians including Todd Smith of Selah, the Annie Moses Band, and Josh Turner.

In March of 2017, *The 3 Strings* sisters, Phebe and Catherine, were accepted into the *Music For All* National Honors Orchestra. This fall, Phebe, Catherine, and Edward have applied to return to the MFA National Honors Orchestra for the 2018 season. They are currently fundraising to cover the expenses.

Phebe is 15 years old and an award-winning cellist. Catherine is 14 years old, and can be credited with being the person who "started it all." At the age of 4 she decided she wanted to play the violin. By age 6 she was taking lessons, and hasn't looked back.

Edward is 12 years old. He has played the viola for 3 years. As a member of the Young Artist String Orchestra, he has had the opportunity to perform at multiple venues throughout Highlands and Okeechobee counties.

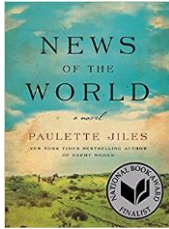
Find the Three Strings on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/thethreestrings/>

The Lake Wales Library Association is proud to provide an annual holiday concert featuring the talented young people of the Ridge. This is the 3rd annual concert provided to the community by the LWLA.

For more details call, 863-678-4005, or email library@cityoflakewales.com.



December 2017 Book Discussions



Night Owls Book Discussion

Tuesday, December 12, 6 p.m.

Lake Wales Public Library

News of the World

by Paulette Giles

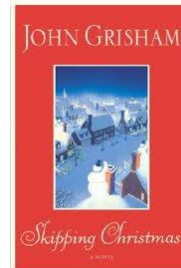
Thursday Morning Book Discussion

Thursday, December 14, 11 a.m.

Lake Wales Public Library

Skipping Christmas

by John Grisham



Books with Friends Latt Maxcy Memorial Library - Frostproof

Tuesdays With Morrie by Mitch Albom

Thursday, December 7- 3 pm

Bartow Book Discussion

Bartow Public Library

Lab Girl by Hope Jahren

Wednesday, December 6 - 3 pm

LWPL & LW Museum Book Discussion Groups are sponsored by the
Lake Wales Library Association - Friends of the Library.

***Follow Our Book Discussions and other 'book' news on the
LWPL GoodReads site.***





December Classes & Programs

- **Yoga** - Mondays & Wednesdays - 5:30 - 7 pm - (Class Fee applies, pay at class)
- **Coloring for Adults** - Wednesdays - 11:30 am - 1 pm (No registration & Free)
- **Knitting & Crochet** - Fridays - 5:30 pm - (No registration & Free. One on One instruction available in the 5:30 p.m. group. Call Dawn, 678-4004 for information.)
- **Needlework Group** - Fridays - 9 am - All forms of needlework & fiber art welcome. Bring your projects and work along with like minded people. (No registration & Free)
- **Genealogy at the Library** -

Friday, Dec. 8 - 11:30 a.m. (No registration & free) Please bring your personal laptop or tablet if available
- **CREATE! Crafting Circle** - Friday, Dec. 8 - 5:30 p.m. - Dec..Craft - Create Holiday String & Nail Art (Sign Up in advance, Free. Limited to 20 people)
- **Online Classes - Anytime, Day or Night** -
 - **Lynda.com** - Learn a new skill online FREE! (requires a library card from LWPL) **Lynda.com** and click on the same.
 - **Gale Courses** - Free, online Adult Continuing Education classes, certificate at completion (requires a PCLC card) **Gale Courses** and click on the same.

Classes sponsored by
Lake Wales Library Association - Friends of the Library ~
Florida's Natural Growers Foundation ~ Mountain Lake Community Service
Register by Calling 678-4004 or email **LW Public Library**

What's Happening At the Library
~ **Information & Assistance** ~

- 1st Wednesday monthly, Dec. 6 , 2 to 4 p.m. - **Grief Support** - Schoenoff Meeting Room
- 2nd Friday, Dec. 8, 1 to 4 p.m. - **MidFlorida Blood Banks Bloodmobile**
- 2nd Wednesday monthly, Dec. 13, 4 p.m. - **Lake Wales Library City Board** - Schoenoff Meeting Room
- 2nd Saturday monthly, Dec. 9, 10 a.m. - **MidFlorida Scribes Writers Support Group**
- Monday, Dec. 11, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. - **Central Florida Speech & Hearing Amplified Phone Distribution** - Schoenoff Meeting Room
- Wednesday, Dec. 27 - 7:30 a.m. - **Family Literacy Academy Board** - Schoenoff Meeting Room

Meetings subject to cancellation or rescheduling.
For a complete Library calendar of events [Click Here](#)

Library & Museum December Closures

Friday, Dec. 8 - 11:45 am until 2 pm - City Employees' Holiday Luncheon
Monday, Dec. 18 - *Library* will close at 12 noon for staff training
Saturday, Dec. 23 - *Museum* will close
Monday, Dec. 25 - Christmas Holiday, *Library & Museum*
Monday, Jan. 1 - New Year's Holiday, *Library & Museum*
Tuesday, Jan. 2 - *Museum* will close



What the Library & Museum Staff are Reading ...

- Bunk: The Rise of Hoaxes, Humbug, Plagiarist, Phonies, Post-Facts & Fake News by Kevin Young, *Margaret, Bookmobile*
- Deep Freeze by John Sanford, *Marcia, Reference Services*
- Murder at the Vicarage by Agatha Christie, *Marilyn, Reference Services*
- It Devours by Joseph Fink, *Bart, Museum*
- Lessons from Tara by David Rosenfelt, *Lisa, Books by Mail*
- Uncommon Type by Tom Hanks, *Sydney, Circulation Services*
- Finders Keepers by Catherine Palmer, *Carolyn, Circulation Services*
- The Allies Strike Back by James Holland, *Lynn, Reference Services*
- The Manual of Detection by Jedediah Berry, *Kristina, Circulation Services*
- Electric God by Catherine Ryan Hyde, *Melissa, Circulation Services*
- Big Little Lies by Liane Moriarty, *Dawn, Youth Services*

- Manhattan Beach by Jennifer Egan, *Tina, Library Administration*
- Mr. Dickens & His Carol by Samantha Silva, *Carol, Reference Services*
- The Dead Sea Cipher by Elizabeth Peters, *Jeff, Bookmobile*
- The Bad Food Bible: How & Why to Eat Sinfully by Aaron Carroll, *Marie, Cataloging*

Staff Recommends for Holiday Gift Giving

- Book - *The John Wayne Code: Wit, Wisdom & Timeless Advice* by Media Lab Books
- Book - *The Christmas Pearl* by Dorothea Benton Frank
- Book - *The Eyre Affair* by Jasper Fforde
- DVD - *Desk Set* - Starring Katherine Hepburn
- DVD - *A Few Great Bakeries* - PBS
- Book - *Their Eyes Are Watching God* by Zora Neal Hurston
- DVD - *Always* - Starring Audrey Hepburn
- DVD - *Sandlot*
- Book - *A Land Remembered* by Patrick Smith
- Book - *A Short Guide to a Happy Life* by Anna Quindlen

Staff also recommends the **Lake Wales Library Association's Used Book Store** for great holiday gift giving bargains. Paperback and hardcover books are rock bottom prices. Large Print books are currently on sale for twenty-five cents each. The LWLA Used Book Store is open during regular library hours and is located at the front entrance of the library.



The Lake Wales Public Library's *Holiday Food for Fines* will continue through the month of December, concluding on Saturday, December 30.



Overdue library materials may be returned and fines "paid" with a donation of non-perishable food.

All food collected will go to The Lake Wales Care Center's Food Pantry. Please bring at least 5 non-perishable items to clear fines. For more information call, 678-4005 or email library@cityoflakewales.com.

Museum News

The Lake Wales Museum & Cultural Center said 'farewell' to its director, Monica Drake-Pierce. Monica has accepted a new position and the City of Lake Wales is now interviewing for a replacement for the Museum Manager.



In the meantime Museum Collections Specialist, Bart Delcamp, is 'manning' the museum, and regular hours of operation will continue.

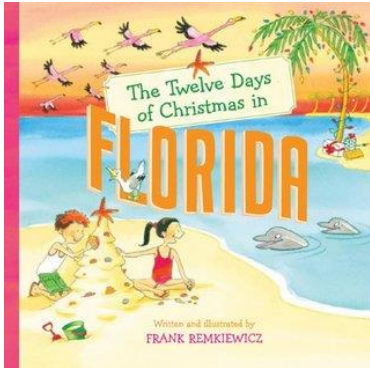
Sunday, Dec. 3 Museum & Library Staff will join with community volunteers to present Holiday Spectacular, a Museum holiday celebration from 1 to 4 p.m. at the LW Museum & Cultural Center.

The Museum is decorated for the holidays, including Christmas Trees, Holiday LEGO models, model trains and the opening of the Caboose. The Jolly Elf, Santa, will be holding court in the Caboose for children and parents with cell phone cameras.

Join us Sunday, Dec. 3, 1 to 4 p.m. for the Holiday Spectacular, music, crafts, music, dance, decorations, and Santa!

Lake Wales Public Library's StoryWalk adds New Book

The Lake Wales Public Library's StoryWalk is located on the Rails to Trails path, behind Kiwanis Park. This public 'reading' trail features 4 children's books each year. Our generous sponsors include: the City of Lake Wales, Kiwanis Club of Lake Wales, Mountain Lake Community Services, Inc., Lake Wales Medical Center and the Lake Wales Library Association.



The newest book was recently installed, "The 12 Days of Christmas in Florida" by Frank Remkiewicz. The weather is perfect for a walk or bike ride. Take a child along the path, at Tower Blvd., read the story and enjoy some outdoor time.

Jingle Crafts

Fun Family Holiday Event in the LWPL's Children's Library
Tuesday, Dec. 12, 5 p.m.
Crafts and Mr. & Mrs. Claus!!!



The Lake Wales Library Association's Annual *Giving Tree Campaign* begins this month. A holiday tree, located in the Library's Main Lobby, will be covered with 'ornaments' with the names of books needed by the Lake Wales Public Library. Sponsor an adult title with a gift of \$20 or a children's title for \$15. Donations may be made 'in honor of' or 'in memory of' a loved one. For more information call 678.4005.

Lake Wales Library Association's Year-End Giving Campaign

The Lake Wales Library Association has proudly supported the efforts of the Lake Wales Public Library since 1957. This 60-year old organization provides financial and volunteer assistance to our library. Memberships are a vital part of this support.



At the end of each year the LWLA reaches out to our community for donations and membership renewals during their Year-End Giving Campaign.

To donate with a credit or debit card to this campaign visit [GiveWell Foundation - LW Library Assoc.](#) Tax deductible donations for the 2017 Year-Eng Giving Campaign may also be send to the Lake Wales Library Association - 290 Cypress Garden Lane - Lake Wales, Florida 33853. Checks are payable to the LW Library Association.

December Local Artist Gallery

The Lake Wales Public Library's *Local Artist Gallery* will feature the works of Lake Wales artist, Diane Giles during the month of December.

Diane's paintings will be displayed on our Local Artist Gallery walls through December 30. The exhibit may be viewed during the library's regular business hours. We are very proud to provide a public art venue for local artists that is open to all.



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