

## SULPHUR SPRINGS PARTNERSHIP LIBRARY

### Opening Soon!

The Sulphur Springs Partnership Library, the third cooperative venture with the Hillsborough County School District, is a welcome expansion of the School Media Center in the Sulphur Springs Elementary School.

The Partnership Library will house a browsing collection of materials for all ages as well as more materials for elementary school age children.

There will be a meeting room available for public use and a 24 station computer lab.



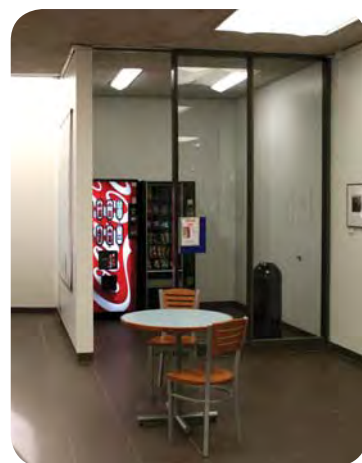
### From the Friends of the Library

A new service has arrived -- cold beverage and snack vending machines!

This joint project with the Library provides a convenience for library users and a fundraiser for the Friends. A portion of the sales will benefit the operating fund of the Friends of the Library of Tampa-Hillsborough County, Inc.

Dry snacks and covered beverage containers are now allowed throughout the library, except at computer terminals.

So the next time you need a refreshment break, visit your library's vending area. You'll help yourself and the Friends!



## The Big Read Tampa *The Joy Luck Club* by Amy Tan

The Library was awarded a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts to host The Big Read. Working with community partners, The Big Read Tampa will focus on *The Joy Luck Club* with activities taking place throughout May (Asian American Month) including appearances by author Amy Tan. Below are some of our featured programs.

**Saturday, May 1, 2010**  
4:00 p.m.

**Kick-Off**  
Appearance by author Amy Tan  
John F. Germany Public Library  
900 North Ashley Drive

**May 1- 31, 2010**  
Library hours

**Exhibit: Chinese History and Culture**  
Spades, Knives & Cash: The History of Chinese Coinage  
John F. Germany Public Library  
900 North Ashley Drive  
*Learn about the history of money in China and how money settled on a single form- the classic pan liang. Funding provided by Friends of the John F. Germany Public Library.*

**Sunday, May 2, 2010**  
1:00 p.m.

**Author Amy Tan @ your library®**  
David A Straz, Jr. Center for the Performing Arts  
1010 North W.C. MacInnes Place  
*Author Amy Tan will discuss the threads of her book and how it relates to all. Support provided by the Development Committee of the Friends of the Library of Tampa-Hillsborough County, Inc.*

**Sun., May 30, 2010**  
3:00 p.m.

**Closing Ceremony**  
John F. Germany, 900 North Ashley Drive  
*Special ceremony recognizing community partners and celebration of *The Joy Luck Club*.*

The Big Read is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts designed to restore reading to the center of American culture. The NEA presents The Big Read in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services and in cooperation with Arts Midwest.



## Never Miss a Library Program Again!

Sign up to receive text messages or email with information about library programs, events and news. Go to [hcplc.org](http://hcplc.org) to sign up today.



### PLEASE NOTE:

Tampa-Hillsborough County Public Libraries will CLOSE on the following days due to budget cuts.

Friday, April 2, 2010  
Friday, June 18, 2010  
Thursday, September 9, 2010

Temple Terrace Public Library will be closed on April 2 for the Good Friday holiday, but will be open with regular hours on June 18 and September 9.  
The Bruton Memorial Library will be open with regular hours on April 2, June 18, and September 9.

Funding for the Black History Month programs, Teen Tech Week, and National Library Week receptions is provided by generous donations from the local chapters of the Friends of the Library of Tampa-Hillsborough County, Inc.



Tampa-Hillsborough County Public Library System  
900 N. Ashley Dr., Tampa, FL 33602

For more information call 813-273-3652 or visit [hcplc.org](http://hcplc.org).



Hillsborough County Public Library Cooperative

Spring 2010

## & events

# HAPPENINGS



THE BIG READ TAMPA  
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## BLACK HISTORY MONTH

February is Black History Month - a time to commemorate African Americans who have changed the world. Below is a sample of some of the programs taking place which celebrate the many contributions of African Americans.

**Musical Performances by Nyela Oluchi Hope**

**Legacy of the Tuskegee Airman:  
WWII First Black Military Airmen**

**Gospel Explosion Tour**

**Rose Bilal: An Evening of Classic Jazz**

**Musical Tribute to Ella Fitzgerald: Live and Unplugged!**



The Tampa-Hillsborough County Public Library System is partnering with BayCare Health System, through Morton Plant Mease and St. Joseph's Hospitals to bring health and wellness screenings and speakers to our libraries. Health-themed programs will focus on National Awareness Campaigns starting with:

**An Afternoon Tea: Preventing Heart Disease in Women**  
February 9, 2010 at 12 p.m.  
Upper Tampa Bay Regional Library  
Discover the benefits of tea and its impact on your health. Free tea samples and blood pressure screenings.

**Advancements in the Treatment of Colorectal Cancer**  
March 11, 2010 at 11 a.m.  
Town 'N Country Regional Library  
Learn the importance of colon cancer screenings and the latest in medical and surgical treatment of colon cancer.

**Osteoporosis and You**  
May 3, 2010 at 7 p.m.  
Jimmie B. Keel Regional Library  
Discuss how osteoporosis is diagnosed and treatment options.

**What You Need to Know About Melanoma**  
June 14, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.  
Austin Davis Public Library  
Discuss prevention, detection and treatments. Free skin screenings.

## TEEN TECH WEEK

MARCH 7 - 13!



Libraries are full of fun technology with programs and services that include video gaming, creative software, digital file downloading, and more. They're also a great place to get connected to homework help, research resources, and the Internet.

Visit a branch or [hcplc.org](http://hcplc.org) for more information about Teen Tech Week programs such as gaming tournaments and computer instruction classes.

## NATIONAL POETRY MONTH

April is National Poetry Month. Celebrate poetry with a contest and events that increase awareness and appreciation of the spoken word.



Create your own humorous poem or a parody of a well known poem.

Deadline: March 31, 2010  
Format: Open to writer's interpretation (free verse or rhyme...)  
Length: One page, typed  
Limit: One original poem per person  
Participants: 18 years and older

1st Place \$200 + 4 passes to Tampa Improv Comedy Theater & Restaurant and an invitation to read your poem at the Poetry and Jazz program  
2nd Place \$100 + 2 passes to Tampa Improv  
3rd Place \$ 50 + 2 passes to Tampa Improv

Entry forms are available @ your library® or on [hcplc.org](http://hcplc.org).

Funding provided by the Friends of the Jimmie B. Keel Regional Library and the Tampa Improv Comedy Theater & Restaurant.

## Poetry & Jazz

The Eighth Annual Poetry & Jazz event will feature Melissa Fair, Nyssa Hanger, Myron Jackson and Janet Sylvester who will read their original poetry with jazz accompaniment provided by Trio Vibe, composed of Philip Booth, Sam Koppleman and Willie Lawson.

**Sunday, April 18, 2010 • 2 p.m.**  
Jimmie B. Keel Regional Library • 2902 W. Bearss Avenue

Funding provided by the Friends of the Jimmie B. Keel Regional Library.

## FreshLit for Spring

**Wednesday, March 31, 2010 • 6 p.m.**  
North Tampa Branch Library • 8916 North Boulevard

Kick the tires on some amazing new poetry and fiction from University of South Florida's MFA creative writing students. No money down, no interest! Guaranteed to take you someplace new!

Presented by the USF Dept. of English, Graduate Studies Creative Writing Program.

## Storytelling Festival

Join us for the 30th annual Storytelling Festival to hear featured storytellers, Eth-Noh-Tec - Kinetic Story Theater and more than 400 young storytellers. There will be puppet shows, balladeers, book characters, multi-lingual stories and much more.

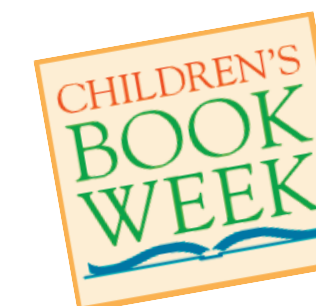


ETH-NOH-TEC

Eth-Noh-Tec is kinetic story theater that features ancient Asian mythologies and folktales. The combined performance of Robert Kikuchi-Yngojo and Nancy Wang is a new blend of storytelling and physical theater.

**Saturday, April 24, 2010 • 9 a.m.-4 p.m.**  
Hillsborough High School • 5000 N. Central Avenue

Cosponsored by the Tampa-Hillsborough County Public Library System; City of Tampa Parks & Recreation Department; Creative Arts Theater of the City of Tampa Parks & Recreation Department; Friends of the Library of Tampa-Hillsborough County, Inc; Friends of the John F. Germany Public Library; Hillsborough County Parks, Recreation, and Conservation Department; Arts Council of Hillsborough County; Target.



## Children's Book Week

A CELEBRATION OF CHILDREN'S BOOKS

The Tampa-Hillsborough County Public Library will offer special activities that highlight young children's books during Children's Book Week, May 10-16.

Since 1919, Children's Book Week has been celebrated nationally in schools, libraries, bookstores and homes. It was started to introduce children to new stories and authors and to emphasize the importance of reading.



## COMMUNITIES THRIVE @ your library®



National Library Week is April 11-17 and the American Library Association's designated theme is "Communities Thrive @ Your Library®." Many branches will host open houses, receptions, or special programs to promote library usage and support. Take time during National Library Week to appreciate how libraries are the heart of communities.



For more information about these and other programs @ your library®, go to [hcplc.org](http://hcplc.org) or call 813-273-3652.