



Lighthouse for the Blind
of the Palm Beaches

Earth Day Event and Summer Camp Updates

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Music for the Mind

Featured David Crohan

"Music for the Mind" was a great success! Over 350 people attended and we had a full house! David Crohan had the audience on their feet singing along. Without sight since infancy, David became a wizard at the piano. His uncanny talent, wit and versatility make him the consummate entertainer. The proceeds for this concert will support the Lighthouse's youth program, the LITE Club. Thank you to all that helped to make this event the success it was. It was a night to remember.

For more information, please visit:

www.davidcrohan.com.

Thank you to Kretzer Piano!

www.kretzerpiano.com.



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LITE Club Youth Group Attends the Opera

The LITE Club had a field trip to the Kravis Center for the Romeo and Juliet Family Opera on February 25, 2012. We had a wonderful time. Pictured below are two LITE Club members and a volunteer.



Earth Day Event for LITE Club

Sunday, April 22, 2012 (See page 3 for additional details). We will have activities for LITE Club participants and their families. Please RSVP at 561-586-5600.

Get Ready for Summer Camp!

The Lighthouse is planning to have Summer Camp programming for two groups this year: One for children ages 6 through 13 and another for transition age youth (ages 14 through to High School, who are enrolled in the transition

program with the Division of Blind Services).

Save the dates for the Children's Summer Camp (ages 6 – 13): July 9, through July 12, 2012 from Noon to 3:30 p.m. plus four field trips scheduled on July 13th, July 20th, July 27th and August 3rd.

Save the dates for the Transition Summer Camp: This will be a four week program from July 9, 2012 through to August 3, 2012. The program will be Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. We will have field trips on each of the four Fridays scheduled on July 13th, July 20th, July 27th and August 3rd.

Sponsorship Opportunities!

LITE Club Sponsors will receive recognition in our Annual Report, Newsletter, Website and Facebook. Sponsors will also receive a photo of participants and a certificate sent to you or your business. We have four levels of sponsorships for the LITE Club:

Bronze	-	\$500.00
Silver	-	\$1000.00
Gold	-	\$2,000.00
Platinum	-	\$2,500.00+



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Earth Day

Tree Planting

Recycling



Earth Day Event

April 22, 2012

Event volunteers please arrive at 9:00 a.m.
Official Event Time: 12:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Location: Lighthouse for the Blind of the Palm Beaches
1710 E. Tiffany Drive
West Palm Beach, FL 33407

Tree Planting Event Sponsored by:
West Palm Beach Lions Club

Games, Prizes, Entertainment, Fun, Food, 50/50 Raffle

Please help both the Lighthouse and the Lions Club by bringing
the following items to recycle. Start collecting now!

Ink Jet Printer Cartridges
Cell Phones
Digital Cameras
Soda Can Tabs

Laser Ink Printer Cartridges
MP3 Players
Used Postage Stamps
Eye Glasses

Thank you to Jason's Arborcare
Services, Inc. for assisting with this
event from the early planning stages!



Jason's
ARBORCARE SERVICES INC.

Please RSVP to trink@lighthousepalmbeaches.org or 561-586-5600!

Focus Group

Focus Group provides socialization opportunities, educational speakers and other activities. Meetings are on the 1st Friday of the month from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Lighthouse in West Palm Beach.

Upcoming Meetings & Presenters

5/4/2012 American Cancer Society will present to the Focus Group at the Lighthouse in West Palm Beach.

6/1/2012 Professional Firefighters of Palm Beach County: Educating participants on fire safety and prevention at the Focus Group at the Lighthouse in West Palm Beach.

Highlights from last quarter:

On February 3, 2012, Focus Group participants had the pleasure of enjoying a unique, a cappella experience by the Women of Note. These energetic and enthusiastic women came together to sing in harmony in the barbershop style, under the direction of Mitch Greenberg. Their song choices complimented our Valentine's Day theme. We look forward to having them back again soon!



Pictured above: Women of Note visit the Focus Group on February 3, 2012.

The Focus Group has expanded and there are now two additional meeting locations in Stuart and Fort Pierce! **Please RSVP.**

Focus Group will be meeting in Stuart on April 13th and June 8th, 2012 and will meet the 2nd Friday of every other month from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Stuart meeting location

Gulfstream Goodwill
1101 NW 21st St.
Stuart, FL 34994 (off US Hwy. 1)

Focus Group will be meeting in Fort Pierce on May 11th and July 13th, 2012 and will meet the 2nd Friday of every other month from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Ft. Pierce meeting location

Gulfstream Goodwill
815 S. Kings Hwy.
Ft. Pierce, FL 34945

Book Club Update



The Book Club meets on the third Friday of each month. Digital books are distributed at each meeting. Please come to the meetings, even if you haven't read or finished the book. Our discussions can get quite lively. Bring a friend, the more the merrier! Bring your lunch, we are very informal!

Upcoming Schedule:

April 20, 2012: Our April selection is "Last Train to Paradise" in conjunction with the 2012 Read Together Palm Beach County Campaign. It is the book that won a popular vote and is available in cassette format. We will be discussing it

at our meeting on April 20, 2012 from noon to 1:00 p.m. There are scheduled discussions at other area libraries and book clubs.

The Lighthouse is a partner with Read Together Palm Beach County. On May 7th, the Read Together Finale will be held at the Flagler Museum in the Flagler Kenan Pavilion at 5:30 p.m. The event is free but reservations are necessary as capacity is limited to the first 400 who register. To register, call the Literacy Coalition at: 561-279-9103 or via e-mail at info@literacypbc.org.

May 18, 2012: Our selection is "The Hunger Games," by Suzanne Collins. This book is a recently released movie and is the first of a series of three books.

June and July meetings will be scheduled at the Library Annex in support of their Summer Reading Program. Books, dates and times will be announced soon. For more information please contact the Lighthouse.

**The 2nd Annual Lighthouse
Ladies KDW Fishing
Tournament**

June 2, 2012

www.lighthousefishing.com



Kick Off Party on April 14, 2012:
The kick-off party sets the mood for a fun-filled season of StingRay sponsored tournaments. Come and join us at the extraordinary **RENEGADES** for a time you won't forget. Music, entertainment and

food. Visit the vendor area and listen to great music. Starts at 1:00 p.m. through to 7:00 p.m. Contact Stingray Fishing Outfitters for admission information at (800) 257-9461.

May 31st, the Captains and Anglers meeting will be held. This is more than just a rule reading event. Join us for a fun-filled evening of events, live music and food. Location: Out of the Blue at Jonathan's Landing.

June 2nd: The celebrations conclude with the award ceremony and party. A final opportunity to share the experience, celebrate and enjoy live music. Location: Out of the Blue at Jonathan's Landing.

**Leadership Workshop for People
who are Blind or Visually Impaired**

Saturday, May 12, 2012

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

At the Palm Beach Gardens Library

Fee is \$10.00

Contact cakoyanagi@gmail.com
for details or to RSVP.

The Lighthouse is on Facebook
[Lighthouse for the Blind of the
Palm Beaches – Group Page](#)

Visit us on Twitter
www.twitter.com/LighthousePB

Rehab 101



Diane Salina, Amanda Cary and
Genie Salzverg

Rehab 101

Do you have independent living skills questions? Our Vision Rehabilitation Therapists; Diane, Genie and Amanda are ready to provide answers. We encourage readers to submit questions by email, phone or mail. We will respond to your questions in our newsletter.

Rehab101@lighthousepalmbeaches.org

Dear Rehab 101,

Needle threading has never been easy, how can I do this without using my vision?

Sincerely, Love 2 sew



Dear Love 2 sew:

My favorite way to teach this is to use the “One Second Needle” because it is so easy! The opening is on the side of the needle. Make sure that the thread is tight. Then slowly swipe the needle across it and you will feel and hear it click into place. It’s an “As Seen on Television” product, which is available at the Lighthouse or at local stores. If you enjoy using your sewing machine, there are needles with these side notches that you can obtain as well.

Other techniques include the following; self-threading needles, big eye needle, infila-threader or using the dental floss technique. For instruction or more information, call the Lighthouse.

If still having trouble, there are also pre-threaded needles!

Happy sewing, Rehab 101



The “**Florida a State of Vision**” license plate helps blind and visually impaired residents in our 5-county area. Lighthouse for the Blind of the Palm Beaches will receive \$25.00 for each tag purchased in Palm Beach, Martin, Indian River, St. Lucie and Okeechobee counties. Contact the tax collectors office in your area to get your own STATE OF VISION license plate or ask about purchasing it as a gift.



Recycling Fundraiser Expands to Include Other Electronic Devices!

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Thank you!