Pat Nease, my dear friend, and amazing Florida storyteller, is on her way now to National Storytelling Festival in Jonesborough, TN where she has been invited to tell on Friday 5:30—7:00 as part of the Exchange Place at the College Street Tent. I don’t need to wish her good luck she has all the wit and humor, talent and experience that she needs to make the audience remember Pat Nease. Live streaming of the festival is available. See page 2 for links.

Lots of links to follow for more info.

Your feedback is always welcome.

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LIVESTREAM THE NATIONAL STORYTELLING FESTIVAL!

Can't make it to this year's National Storytelling Festival? We've got you covered.

On **Friday, October 7**, we're streaming video live from our Family Tent so you can join us in Jonesborough from wherever you happen to be.

Throw a viewing party, check in on your phone during lunch, or binge watch the whole thing from the comfort of your couch!

Want to convince others about the power of storytelling? Invite your family, colleagues, and students to tune in, too!

**It's easy, it's entertaining, and it's free!**

Visit us at [https://livestream.com/storytelling/events/6378452](https://livestream.com/storytelling/events/6378452)

Join the celebration by using the hashtag #storyfest on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram. Connect with our audience in Jonesborough and around the globe!

Teller Schedule
The Stories Of Our Lives

STORYTELLER

WORKSHOP - SIX MONDAYS STARTING OCTOBER 10

The ability to tell a story impacts every aspect of our life, from our social relationships to our client interactions. It also perfectly extends and complements the work of visual artists, because the best storytellers are painting pictures, or describing movies, with words. A well-crafted story may speak volumes about your journey in ways that your work cannot—and it may give you an advantage over others considered for new business opportunities.

Class Size Is Limited. Reserve Your Space.

DATES

MONDAYS: 6 - 8:30PM
OCTOBER 10, 17, 24, 31 NOVEMBER 7
PERFORMANCE NIGHT*
November 14

* PLUS: You have the option to participate in the final class performance for family, friends and general audience.

BONUS
You may be selected to appear on WLRN public radio’s The Public Storyteller weekly segment.

RESERVE NOW

Learn from acclaimed storyteller Caren Neile, Ph.D, MFA
Dr. Neile has taught storytelling studies at Florida Atlantic University since 2001. She has performed, lectured and published throughout the U.S. and abroad, including as a Fulbright Senior Specialist in Vienna and Jerusalem, and is a former chair of the National Storytelling Network.

Venue: ArtServe - 1350 E. Sunrise Blvd. - Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304
(754) 248-5272 - Email: sparksharell@gmail.com

facebook
www.facebook.com/sparksharell

Eventbrite
www.shareyourstories.eventbrite.com
A HOUSE CONCERT is a great way to experience storytelling in an intimate setting with invited guests. It’s when someone opens up their home and invites family, friends, co-workers and neighbors who often bring $10—20 donation for the storyteller. The host may provide light snacks or ask guests to BYOB or pay the teller and ask guests to provide food. Do it your way, in your space with your guest list.

Florida is fortunate to have many excellent storytellers passing through our state on a regular bases. Many of them looking for additional bookings or offering coaching sessions while they are here. Most tellers are willing to travel but you must contact them early so they can make travel plans.

Here are a three storytellers who will be here in coming months. Click on storytellers name to learn more and make contact through their website. Learn more about HOUSE CONCERTS.

**LAURA PACKER** will be in the Tampa area during the second and third week of November. She is available for school programs, house concerts, workshop or coaching. She tells stories for older children and adults with a wide repertoire; has workshops on many topics; and is an experienced and compassionate coach.

**MEGAN HICKS** is one of those people you just want to take home with you. She is at comfortable talking to adults and children at homes or at national festivals. Megan is a teller, writer, workshop leader and origami swami. Her programs cover a wide range from fairytales and mother goose for the youngest listeners to gutsy broads and the civil war for adult audiences.

She will be in St Pete area January 22

**CHRISTOPHER AGOSTINO** is a wonderful storyteller and incredible artist and all around nice guy. You have to see him work to fully appreciate the artistry and fascinating face-painting stories. He is fascinated to watch. Christopher will be in Florida at the Tampa-Hillsborough Storytelling Festival on April 22-23, 2017. Go to the website to see his videos
Pajama Jams Storytime

Stories and Play in your PJ’s

Dance, sing and play pretend with puppets, books, bubbles and

Monthly Themes include

- October 15 – All About Me
- November 19 – Food, Food, Food
- December 10 – Winter in Florida
- January 21 – Trains, Planes, Cars and Boats
- February 18 – Family and Home
- March 18 – Nursery Rhymes
- April 22 – Ocean Adventure
- May 20 – Spring Favorites

Sugar Sand Park Community Center
300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton, 33432
Ages 18mo – 2, 10-10:45am
Ages 3 & 4yrs, 11:00am -12pm
$5, includes carousel token
All children must be accompanied by an adult.
More information at www.SugarSandPark.org
561-347-3900

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- Physical coordination
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**Library Events for Families**

**Boca Boo Days—Halloween Tales**
with Gypsy storyteller Katie Adams

Wear your costumes! With lots of audience participation and colorful props, Katie conjures up a hauntingly good time. Stories include The Old Woman and the Red Pumpkin, The Golden Arm, and The Little Old Lady Who was not Afraid of Anything. This 45-minute show is sure to shiver your spine and tickle your funny bone.

Trick or Treat activity following the show. No registration or library card are necessary.

Free tickets are available 1/2 hour prior to showtime.

Limited space. Funded by Friends of Boca Library

Friday, October 14, 3:30—4:30
Downtown Library Boca Raton
400 NW 2nd Ave, Boca Raton, 33432
(561)393—7852

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Once Upon a Dream - Storytelling and Musical Puppets with Jo Bridges

Jo Bridges will present an original musical puppet show about a child who wants someone to read to him. This interactive, whimsical show is suitable for all ages.

Friday, November 4, 3:30—4:30
Spanish River Library
1501 NW Spanish River Road
Boca Raton 33431
(561) 393-7852

and

Saturday, November 26, 11:00 -11:45
Weston Branch Library
4205 Bonaventure Blvd.
Weston, Fl 33332
(954)357-5420
STORYTELLER EXTRAORDINAIRE DEBRA EHRHARDT returns to the Empire Stage in Fort Lauderdale with her new show “Cock Tales: Shame on Me.” Fresh from its successful run at the Santa Monica Playhouse, "Cock Tales" is the bawdy, intimate story of Debra’s dating adventures and misadventures. Like Los Angeles-resident Ehrhardt’s previous show at the Empire Stage, "Jamaica Farewell," “Cock Tales” is directed by “My Big Fat Greek Wedding” director Joel Zwick and produced by the actress Rita Wilson Hanks (as in Tom). (“Jamaica Farewell” was a national hit and has been optioned for a movie.)

The preview performance is Thursday, October 6; the show runs till October 28. Many dates are already sold out. For more information on the show, google “Cock Tales” or go to empirestage.com or call 954-678-1496. The address is 1140 North Flagler Drive. Tickets range from $20-35, but you can buy on Goldstar at a good discount.

See Debra at the National Storytelling Festival next year!
VOX IS BACK

VOX returns October 30 at 8 p.m.

Free admission and PRIZES!

Come early to get a seat and have a bite.

The Storytelling Slam at the Living Room Café at
Florida Atlantic University,
777 Glades Road, Boca Raton, FL

For more information contact Caren Neile at cneile@fau.edu

HEAR A STORY – TELL A STORY

I’LL TELL YOU MINE IF YOU TELL ME YOURS

Story Circle

First Monday of the month, every month: 4:00 - 5:00 PM

Come with a story or just your curiosity. Tell it like it is, how it was or how you wish it were. You never know what you will hear. This has become one of the most popular story circles in South Florida.

Charismatic, Glad McLeod and very vivacious, Vera Fried alternate leading the stories and tellers.

Call Glad at: 516.582.9047 or Call Vera at 561-637-8893

Hagen Ranch Road Branch Library.
14350 Hagen Ranch Road, Delray Beach 33446  Click for map

THINK ABOUT IT

“The things about real life is that important events don’t announce themselves. Trumpets don’t blow...

Usually something that is going to change your whole life is a memory before you can stop and be impressed about it.” - Edith Schaeffer -
COMING EVENTS
SAVE THE DATE

TELLEBRATION!
Guilds and storytelling enthusiasts all around the globe will share their storytelling talents in concerts held in celebration of the art of storytelling. Locally, TELLEBRATION™ brings together each area’s most celebrated storytellers, to delight, captivate, and mesmerize audiences with their stories. Date: Monday, November 14, 2016
Time: 2 PM
Location: Glades Road Branch Library
20701 95th Ave. S, Boca Raton, 33434

Broward County Library
15TH ANNUAL STORYBOOK FESTIVAL!
Families can enjoy a day of fun with storytellers, entertainment, face painting, arts and crafts, a book giveaway, and much more. I will be there to tell stories in the afternoon. Other tellers will be announced soon. I’d love to see all my young listeners at Storybook Festival.
Date: Saturday, November 19, 2016
Time: 10:00 AM - 4:30 PM
Location: Southwest Regional Library
16835 Sheridan St. Pembroke Pines, 33331

Jewish "Variety Show" at the Levis JCC in Boca Raton. Storyteller Caren Neile joins Klezmer Jazz Orchestra, Avi Hoffman and musical guests. Date: Sunday Dec. 25

STORY CENTRAL CONCERTS

Boca Raton Library/Downtown Branch
400 NW 2nd Avenue, Boca Raton, FL 33431
561-393-7852
Saturdays at 3:30 pm

February 25, 2017— Tamara Green: My African-American Dream
March 11, 2017— Joseph Sobol: In the Deep Heart’s Core: A Celebration of William Butler Yeats
March 29, 2017— Kuniko Yamamoto: From Japan with Love

Let’s Promote Florida Storytelling.

Got storytelling news or an event that’s open to the public?

Send — Event · Description · Pictures · Date · Time · Location · Contact · Links · Fees
Palm Beach County Storytelling Guild
First Monday of the month 5:00—6:30 Hagen Ranch Road Library,
14350 Hagen Ranch Road, Delray Beach, 33446  (561) 894-7500
Vera Fried Will host a group of listeners, tellers and those interested in finding out more about storytelling. Learn what other storytellers are doing, work on and Improve your stories.
Call Vera at (561) 637-8893 for more information

NORTH PALM BEACH COUNTY STORYTELLING GUILD
Fourth Thursday of each month, 6:30 to 8:30 PM
The meeting consists of a learning experience focused on a specific storytelling skill.
You are welcome to tell a 5-7 min. fairy tale, folktale, scary story, bible story, family or personal story.
Palm Beach Gardens Library, 11303 Campus Drive, Palm Beach Gardens, FL
Contact Mickey DiSeina at msmickeystory@gmail.com

BROWARD COUNTY STORYTELLING GUILD
Third Thursday of each month
Join Broward Storytellers Guild on Facebook or Meet Up
Contact Jo Bridges at 954.583.0705 for more info.

MIAMI STORYTELLING GUILD
Sunday evenings at The Grateful Bread Bakery and Restaurant,  927 NE 125th St., North Miami
Contact Jim Gregory 305.607.3790, jimgregory2@icloud.com

FORT MYERS GUILD — TAMIA MI TA LE TELLERS
Third Thursday of each month, 7:00 to 9:00PM
Grand Court Retirement Community, 8351 College Parkway, Fort Myers, 33919
Contact Mary Lou Williams mwfortmyers@aol.com
**THE MOTH - IN MIAMI**

The Moth hosts live storytelling events in cities around the world. The ideal way to experience The Moth is live and in person, where you can feel the electricity in the room and be a part of the visceral dialogue between teller and audience. [Learn more about Moth events here.](#)

The Moth is in Miami the second Tuesday of the month at Olympia Theater. [Map and Ticket Information](#)

You can put your name in the hat to tell a personal story to a live audience at the Moth story-slam. Doors open at 6:00, stories begin at 6:30 buy tickets and learn more at [THE MOTH EVENTS](#).

Can’t get there but still [want to listen?](#)

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Find out more about storytelling,

There is no end to the books, blogs, recordings and video.

Follow the links to get a bigger story.

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[National Storytelling Network](#)

[International Storytelling Center](#)