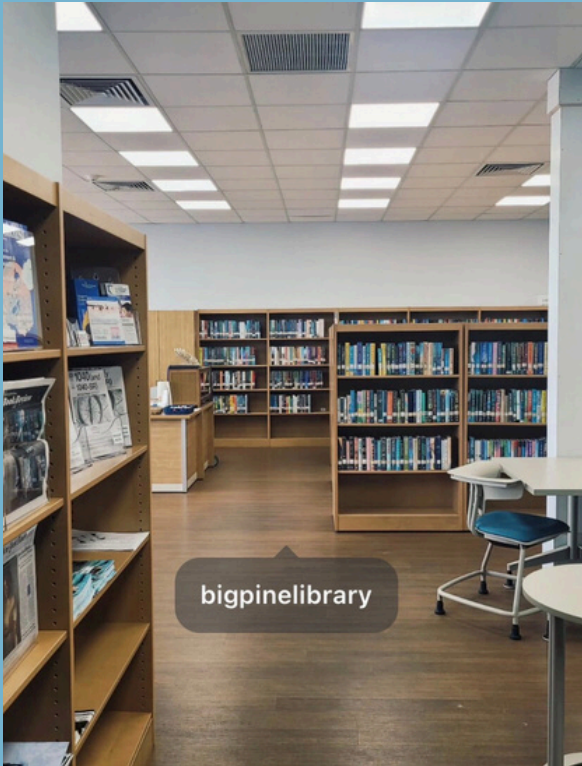


Welcome to the *Circle of Friends*

**HAPPY NEW YEAR TO
EVERYONE!**



We are excited for 2026 as we work together to advocate for our Big Pine Key Library! Riona, our branch manager, along with Chris, Tressie, Jessica, and Kaleila, are always keeping the BPK library such a welcoming place and planning fun activities for our community. As a friends group, we want to make sure our librarians have all the support they need. Please continue helping us provide funds and materials for supplies and events. Be sure and spread the word in the Lower Keys that we have the best library around!

A few ways to be a friend of the Big Pine Key Library:

1. Make sure to put your library card to good use this year! Let's help increase the circulation of all the books, DVDs, and other resources provided through our library system!
2. Keep up with all the events and programs on the library website or on their creative Facebook page!
3. Buy a book from our friends book wall or donate books in good condition!

A big thank you to two special friends!

The Friends of the Big Pine Key Library relies on donations and money raised from our book sale wall to keep funding events and resources for our awesome little library. Have you checked out the online catalog or the BPK calendar recently to see all the new books and fun activities going on?! Recently, musicians **Bob Hall and Hilary Blythe** played an evening concert at the library and also took the opportunity to raise funds for our library! One night of music raised about \$150 for our BPK library account. We are so grateful!



From special kids' events like our KPOP Party or our upcoming Palentine's Day Party to crochet supplies and summer and winter reading goodies, donations to the Friends of the Big Pine Key Library go right back to supporting our library's ability to enrich our Lower Keys community! Join the Friends, buy a book from our book wall, and visit the Friends of the Big Pine Key Library on our new Facebook page!

Big Pine Book Lovers Book Club

10am Big Pine Library

Third Saturday of the Month

All adults are welcome to attend.

For more information, please contact:

BPKLibraryfriends@gmail.com

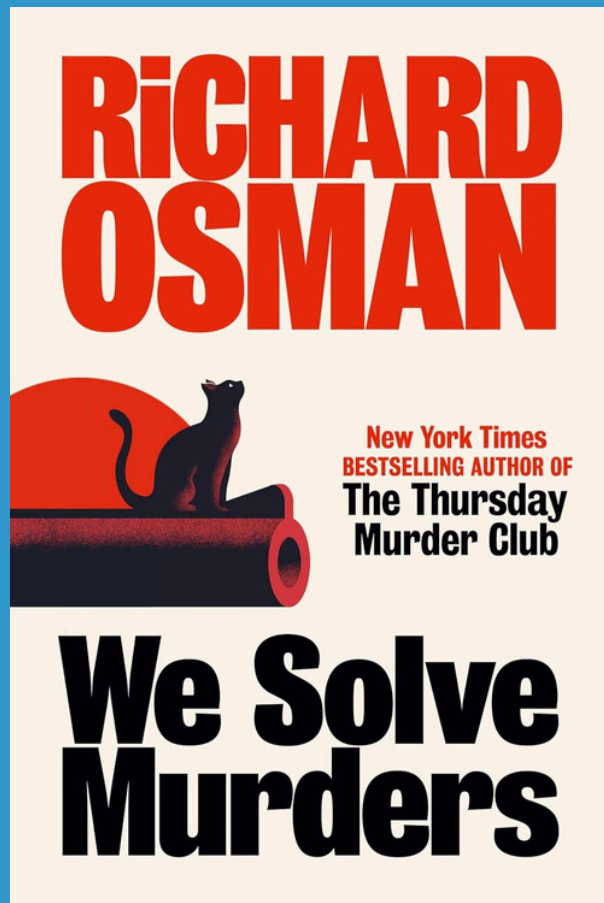
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## *FEBRUARY DISCUSSION*

*February 21, 2026*

### *We Solve Murders by Richard Osman*



*A brand new mystery. An iconic new detective duo. And a thrilling new murder to solve . . .*

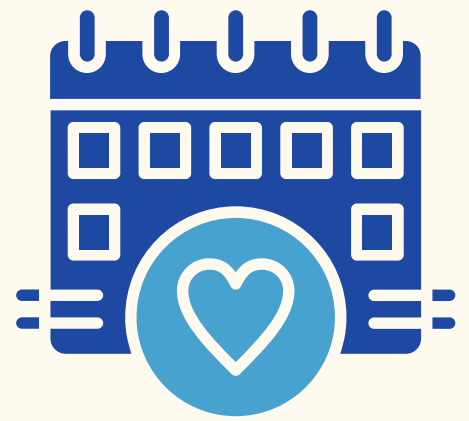
*Steve Wheeler is enjoying retired life. He still does the odd bit of investigation work, but he prefers his familiar routines: the pub quiz, his favorite bench, his cat waiting for him at home. His days of adventure are over. Adrenaline is daughter-in-law Amy's job now.*

*Amy Wheeler thinks adrenaline is good for the soul. Working in private security, every day is dangerous. She's currently on a remote island protecting mega-bestselling author Rosie D'Antonio, until a dead body and a bag of money mean trouble in paradise. So she sends an SOS to the only person she trusts . . .*

*As a thrilling race around the world begins, can Amy and Steve outrun and outsmart a killer?*

*Solving murders. It's a family business.*

# *What's going on at the Big Pine Key Library ?*



## *Special Events in January and February*

### **\*For Adults\***

#### **Live Music Tuesdays from 5-7:**

- Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>: Marc Douglas Berardo and Grace Morrison
- Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>: Veronneau
- Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>: Peter Fletcher

**Lost Lingo of Agatha Christie:** Thurs. Feb. 12  
from 11-12

**Music with Gladius:** Wed. Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> from 12-2

### **\*For Kids of All Ages\***

**Fantasy Friday:** Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> from 2-5

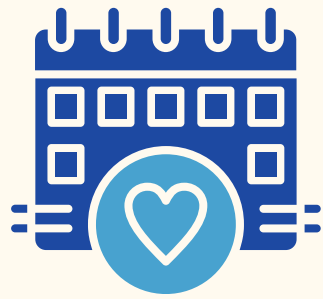
**Blades of the Caribbean:** Tues. Feb 10<sup>th</sup>  
from 2-3

**Palentine's Day Party:** Fri. Feb 13<sup>th</sup> from 2-5

**Composting Workshop with Melody:** Sat.  
Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> from 11-12



## *Weekly Events*



## *Monthly Events*

### **Pokemon Club:**

Mondays/ Wednesdays 3-4:45

### **Story Time with Kaleila:**

Tuesdays/Thursdays 10-11:30

### **Teen Dungeons and Dragons:**

Tuesdays 4-7

### **Youth Chess Club:**

Tuesdays 4:30-7

### **Mahjong:**

Wednesdays 10-12

### **Big Pine Book Lovers**

**Book Club:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday at 10

**3D Print and Paint:** 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays 3:30-4:40

**Bullet Journal Club:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays 3:30-5

**Drop-in reading and nature programs for kids: Outdoor Explorers and Library Scouts:** Stop by for an activity booklet and earn badges!

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*More details on the BPK Library Calendar:*  
<https://monroecounty.pl.librarycalendar.com/events/month?branches%5B73%5D=73>

# What's on the Shelf?



New books in the library catalog and other resources to check out this month!

