July 8, 2016 for July 11, 2016 Annual Meeting

To: Florida Public Library Board of Trustees

From: Madelyn Folino, Director

Monthly Report

June 2015 Circulation Door Count: 1,604 Closed: none Juvenile: 677 \$: 980.95 ILL loans: 706 Adult: 1,937 ILL borrows: 668

June 2016 Circulation Door Count: 2,043 Closed: none

Adult: 1,774 Juvenile: 670 \$: 654.70 ILL loans: 588 ILL borrows: 699

Programs

- The Summer Reading Program kick-off on June 27 was attended by 30 adults and 60 children. The Spoof Gabbling Circus entertained with demonstrations of circus skills. (The juggling of flaming torches took place outside) They returned the next day for a well-attended program for Tweens and Teens.
- The ever-popular Dusty the READ dog is scheduled for five visits this summer. Two drop-in programs are being offered: Pop Up Crafts on Tuesdays and Exercise Your Mind (games, puzzles, etc.) on Fridays. Sara's preschool program has 17 children registered and she is using teen volunteers to help.
- A showing of *Zootopia* on 7/2 attracted 22 people very good for a holiday weekend. Air conditioning helps!
- We have 22 "Volunteens" signed up to help with programs, a more manageable number than in previous years. We will be continuing the Teen Chef Challenge at the Farmer's Market this year.
- Maria and Mark are visiting the Village Summer Rec. program at Sturr Park on Thursdays to offer two program sessions and Maria is visiting Florida ABCD weekly to bring SRP incentives to the children there.
- Maria assisted 11 people in one-to-on tech help sessions during June. Her classes on Wednesdays attract an average of four for lessons on specific skills and programs.
- OLA's Amazing Orange, a summer county-wide program with scavenger hunt activities to promote all county libraries began on 7/5 and we still have packets left. Please spread the word – the prizes are great!
- The first of our 20th annual Campfire Storytimes went very well last night at Glenmere. Thanks to fire master Bill Kelemen and his assistant, Frankie, for keeping us hot enough.
- Marie has assembled another summer fun basket for a prize drawing. We hope it will be profitable.
- The members of the knitting circle have now made over 600 blankets for Project Linus and are still going strong. We hope to schedule a celebration when they reach 1,000. Donations of yarn are very welcome.
- There are no summer school reading lists this year. We are informed that MS/HS students are encouraged to read a book of their own choice and a project or report TBA based on the book will be assigned when they return to school in September.
- Our Little Free Library has an official charter number of 39953 and is now registered and its street address and GPS location appear on the LFL website global map. The custom sign arrived today and I'll ask Scott Bieling to put it up. Mark Ng would be willing to work on a second LFL if we can find a good location. We now have the steward's guide and a book about the LFL movement.

Communication

- Condolences sent to the family of longtime Florida resident Ed Mudrick.
- Get well card sent to Tom Coughlin, husband of former trustee Shirley Coughlin.
- Letter from Senator Bonacic's office to announce \$5,000 in bullet aid for 2016-2017.
- Letter from attorney Rebecca Ferrigno-Ohm to inform us that Florida resident Gloria Parmerter, who died in May, has left FPL \$5,000 in her will.

Financial/Donations

- \$1,000 Targeted Donations/Computers Friends of the FPL
- \$100 Targeted Donations/Adult Programs Friends of the FPL
- \$25 Bob and Nancy Scott IMO Jeanne Marie King
- \$43.50 June Mini Book Sale
- The OLA grant of county monies was incorrectly reported last month. It was \$2,700, not \$2,750.
- Due to our successful grant applications, featured poets Christopher Wheeling and Tara Yetter will each receive \$150 from Poets & Writers, Inc. for their appearance at the 7/15 poetry café.

Personnel

- Sara will attend the NYLA Convention in Saratoga Springs in November. She will stay with family nearby and save us the cost of lodging.
- Eileen will be a presenter at Fall Into Books in October. Maria will attend the conference.
- Annette has ably taken over for Martha as ANSER contact and is doing our weekly bank deposits, too. Martha has been a great help in wrapping up the fiscal year by doing ordering of supplies and materials.
- Mark has been assisting with miscellaneous clean-up tasks. We hope to get the basement to a state where professional cleaning will be of maximum benefit.

Building/Equipment

We are replacing the children's room desk (which has a wobbly leg) with a table on wheels and two mobile file cabinets to fit underneath. This will give us greater flexibility in reconfiguring the room for programs.

Door to Door Campaign

We have reserved the RCLS mobile circ unit for training of staff and trustees on 8/22. Meg is trying to arrange a visit to the Cedarcrest pool that week so we can recruit cardholders there. Back to School Nights are 9/13 and 9/15 and we hope to visit those. Tentative dates are being discussed for the door-to door campaign during the week of 9/18 – two evenings and a Saturday. We will also see if there is an opportunity to visit the Presbyterian Church's 275th anniversary on 9/25. Development of good materials and a training plan are the tasks ahead in the next month. We would like to confirm plans (possible trustee fundraiser?) to wrap up this program on our anniversary weekend of 9/30-10/2. Our program planners meet on 7/21.

Friends of the FPL

The Friends will elect new officers on 7/11. They are sponsoring the musical entertainment (\$550) and refreshments (\$50) for the Ice Cream Social on 7/29. They are also paying poet and emcee Robert Milby \$200 for the poetry café on 7/15 and giving \$50 for refreshments for that event. They have also donated \$1,000 toward computer upgrades that Annette suggested.

Spring Tea

We do have extra storage bins in the basement available for Spring Tea supplies. These can be filled at any time.

Meetings, Travel & Events – Upcoming

- 7/19 FPL hosts Sustainable Warwick's Book Club 11 a.m. 1 p.m. with author Cheetah Haysom
- 8/1 RCLS Asst. Director Grace Riario at BOT meeting to speak on community engagement 8/17 SEAL training workshop Ashley
- 8/22 FPL closed for Clean Up Day and Door to Door Campaign training
- 9/14 Trustee Leadership, workshop with Robert Miss register now on <u>www.rcls.org</u> by clicking on the calendar.
- 9/16 RCLS Legislative Breakfast and Annual Meeting, Bear Mt. Inn, 8 a.m. register now on www.rcls.org by clicking on the calendar.
- 9/20 Trustees' Fiduciary Responsibilities Jerry Nichols speaks at RCLS 6-8:30 p.m., 5:30 free buffet dinner register now on www.rcle.org by clicking on the calendar.