

# FLORIDA PUBLIC LIBRARY

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and Orange Library Association

## A Look Back at Highlights of 2013

- ◆ NEH/ALA grant for *Muslim Journeys*
- ◆ Arts in Orange grant for *Storybook Art Studio*
- ◆ Poets & Writers grant for *Poetry Cafes*
- ◆ 5 staff gain highest level Certificate of Achievement from NYLA
- ◆ 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Holocaust Remembrance Day
- ◆ 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Ice Cream Social
- ◆ 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Campfire Storytimes
- ◆ 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Tellabration!
- ◆ 364 Volunteer Hours by 34 Teens
- ◆ Zinio digital magazines available online
- ◆ Mango Language learning program
- ◆ iPads, tablets and eReaders available
- ◆ Bilingual outreach to Florida ABCD
- ◆ Weekly visits to Village Summer Rec
- ◆ Event co-sponsor with Florida Farmers Market and FUFSD
- ◆ Co-sponsor of *The Florida Focus*
- ◆ Initiated the *Florida's Favorites* book request club.

## A Message From Your Board

The Library's annual budget vote & trustee election is Thursday, April 3 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. at the library. All qualified voters of the school district are eligible to vote and absentee ballot applications are available now. Our proposed budget is on page 2 and copies are available in the library. In addition to approval of our yearly funding, voters will elect two trustees for two three-year terms.

Living up to Our Mission (see page 4) is a seven day a week challenge, delight and inspiration for our staff, board and Friends of the FPL. Today's library involves so much more than just providing great books for all ages. For the first time, "other" circulation now surpasses that of books. When you ask for it, whatever "it" may be, we seek to provide it. Please let us know how we're doing. We urge you to vote and thank you for your strong support of your hometown library!

Sincerely, *FPL Board of Trustees*

## Spring Tea to Benefit FPL Saturday, May 3, between 2 & 3:30 p.m.

Help support FPL and honor a woman in your life by bringing her for tea, treats, music and poetry at the Seward Senior Center. Prize drawings, including one for best hat! Take home a pretty teacup souvenir.

Adults only. Tickets: \$12 each or \$20 for two.

**Tea Party Rules: Spring Tea for Kids** While you enjoy your tea, your child can enjoy *Tea Party Rules* and *Boy + Bot* by Ann Dyckman. The author has provided goodie bags for each child. Tea & cookies, a craft and a little etiquette are all included! Kids in K-5 only. Free!

**No time for tea?** Join our *Spring Tea* in spirit. Donate \$1 for your very own individual teabag in a pretty, petite envelope imprinted with a memorable quote from a favorite book.

### Spring 2014 News

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# Report to the Community

## 2013 Annual Report Figures

### Florida Public Library ....

- chartered to serve 4,991 (2010 census)
- had 2,838 registered borrowers
- was open 59 hours per week in fall, winter & spring and 54 hours in summer
- enjoyed a building accessible to all
- had 156,506 total holdings, including 123,275 in electronic materials
- circulated 41,433 items, including 10,787 children's materials
- borrowed 8,925 items from other libraries
- loaned 10,483 items to other libraries
- provided computer access to 10,800 users
- had free wireless access to the internet
- provided 18 computers for public use
- answered almost 7,000 reference questions
- offered 423 programs for all ages
- employed 6.21 (full time equivalent) staff
- welcomed 30,878 visitors!

## 2014-2015 Budget

The total proposed Library budget is \$583,090. The tax levy (amount voted on by taxpayers) is \$386,090. This figure represents an increase of \$28,340 over last year. The breakdown of budget figures includes:

### Revenue

Tax Support	\$386,090
Library Charges	13,500
Grants/Aid	5,500
Interest	1,000
Donations	7,000
Fund Balance (2014)	155,000
Carryover from 2013-2014	15,000
Total Revenue	\$583,090

### Expenditures

Salaries	\$211,415
FICA/Disability/Medical	69,000
Library Materials	36,300
Programs	12,600
Technology	20,650
Office	10,900
Building Expenses	35,275
Professional Fees	21,950
Fund Balance (2015)	165,000
Total Expenditures	\$583,090

## Friends of the FPL

The Friends believe excellent library services are important for everyone. Your membership dues and volunteer time help fund programs, furniture and more. The Friends will support Phase 2 of our 2014 Technology Plan. Thanks!



### Annual W.H. Seward Birthday Weekend Friends Used Book Sale

**Friday, May 16**

Preview Evening for current paid members  
of the Friends **5 - 8 p.m.**

*Memberships are available now in the library!*

**Saturday & Sunday, May 17 & 18**

Sale is open to all from **9 a.m. - 3 p.m.** both  
days with a Bag Sale on Sunday at **2 p.m.**

**Call Bob at 651-7221 to volunteer.**

## Friends of the FPL Membership

New members and new ideas are always welcome!  
Join the Friends & help your library. Membership  
is Oct. 1 - Sept. 30. Fill out this form & return to:

Friends of the Florida Public Library  
4 Cohen Circle Florida, NY 10921

(Please make checks payable to Friends of the FPL)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Circle one: \$5 Student \$10 Single or Family  
\$25 Sustaining \$50 Contributing \$100 Patron

\_\_\_\_\_ Please contact me to help with book sales

## Special Events on our Election Day ~ Thursday, April 3



**Magical Forest-An Animated Puppet Show with Marcia the Musical Moose** for families with young children. Enjoy sing-along music, magic and puppets. **10 a.m.**

**Quick and Easy Tiramisu with Clare Kazmierczak** Join us in the kitchen at **6:30 p.m.** for a demonstration on making a delicious tiramisu. Then enjoy a cuppa with your dessert! Adults.

**Jazz Guitar with Larry Newcomb & Joe Tranchina:** Drop in and relax in our cozy café with your tiramisu and more free treats. **7 - 8 p.m.**

### Spring Events for Adults

**Calligraphy for Beginners:** Learn the art of calligraphy including how to correctly shape upper and lower case letters in beautiful italic style. Take home a certificate of completion with your name exquisitely inscribed on it. Adults only. **Sunday, April 6 at 1 p.m.**

**Go with the Flow:** Learn Life Coach Maria Blon's techniques for letting go of stress & discovering your passions and heart's desire for a happy life. Adults only. Check out Maria's website at [www.sparksalive.com](http://www.sparksalive.com) for information. **Wednesday, April 9 at 6:30 p.m.**

**Holocaust Remembrance Day:** Linda Dubin will introduce *Defiant Requiem*, a film story of the concert the inmates of Terezin Concentration Camp performed for their Nazi SS captors. Meet Esther Levy, author of *Legacies, Lies and Lullabies: The World of a Second Generation Holocaust Survivor*. Suitable for adults and teenagers. **Sunday, April 27 from 1 to 3:30 p.m.**

**Masters of Blues, Rock & Jazz Guitar Class:** for guitar players & enthusiasts, fans of blues, rock, jazz, and all American music. Study the greats including Eric Clapton, BB King, Jim Hall and more with instructor Larry Newcomb. **Thursday, May 1 at 6:30 p.m.**

Visit [www.floridapubliclibrary.org](http://www.floridapubliclibrary.org) for more classes, clubs, and special events for all ages.  
Click on the Event Calendar to register.

## New Arrivals

### New Books

<i>Target</i>	David Baldacci
<i>Destroyer Angel</i>	Nevada Barr
<i>Missing You</i>	Harlan Coben
<i>Five Came Back</i>	Mark Harris
<i>Love Life</i>	Rob Lowe
<i>Shadow Spell</i>	Nora Roberts
<i>Keep Quiet</i>	Lisa Scottoline
<i>Veronica Mars</i>	Rob Thomas
<i>King</i>	J.R. Ward
<i>Carnal Curiosity</i>	Stuart Woods
<i>Chestnut Street</i>	Maeve Binchy
<i>Deadly Heat</i>	Richard Castle
<i>Pagan Lord</i>	Bernard Cornwell
<i>10-Minute Makeup</i>	Boris Entrup
<i>Natchez Burning</i>	Greg Isles
<i>Citadel</i>	Kate Mosse

### New DVDs

American Hustle
12 Years a Slave
Anchorman 2
Blue Jasmine
The Book Thief
Captain Phillips
Dallas Buyers Club
Enders Game
Hobbit-Desolation of Smaug
Hunger Games-Catching Fire
The Monuments Men
Frozen
Gravity
The Wolf of Wall Street
20 Feet from Stardom
Saving Mr. Banks

### New & FREE Online At Home or On the Go!

#### Mango Languages

Fast, easy, effective -  
learn a foreign language  
or English through ESL.

#### Zinio

Access digital magazines  
through FPL.

#### Novelist & Novelist K-8

Premier database for  
reading recommendations  
with powerful searches  
for fiction & non-fiction  
titles, articles and lists.

## Library Hours

Monday - Thursday 10 - 8  
Friday & Saturday 10 - 5  
Sunday 12 - 5



## Summer Reading Program 2014

**Fizz Boom Read**  
*for kids*

**Spark a Reaction**  
*for teens*

**Literary Elements**  
*for adults*

Registration begins on  
Monday, June 23

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### Board of Trustees

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### Our Mission

**The Florida Public Library is the community center for personal growth. We support learning for all residents by providing library materials, information, technology and programs for education, enrichment, and entertainment.**

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### Library Donors & Angels

Elizabeth C. Linnell - in honor of the Murphy Clan  
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And the Friends of the FPL for all the support in 2014!