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A Message From Your Board

The Library's annual budget vote & trustee election is Thursday, April 9 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 three trustees for three-year terms. Candidates are incumbent Ian Murphy and newcomers Alfred Beers and Elizabeth Patton.

As we enter our 15th year in our "new" building, we are once again working on a strategic plan to identify priorities for the next five years. Focus groups drawn from a cross-section of Florida residents have helped immensely to shape our focus on local needs. Requests continue to rise for computer training, e-books, meeting space and family activities. We appreciate your thoughtful participation in the planning process to make us the best library we can be. We encourage you to vote and thank you for your strong support of FPL!

The FPL Board of Trustees

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Anything But Books Library Yard Sale

Saturday, May 2
8 am to Noon
on the Deck



Furniture, Kitchen Goods, Household Items, Select Clothing Items, and more!

All items in good condition at great prices - plus every purchase helps YOUR library!

Cash Only ~ Call Annette for information.

Spring Tea to Benefit FPL

Saturday, May 2, 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. Our traditional afternoon tea will feature finger sandwiches, freshly baked scones, and an assortment of cakes and treats. Try a custom blend from our *Loose Tea Bar* and take part in prize drawings, including one for best hat! Adults only. Tickets: \$15 each or \$25 for two.

Movie for Kids (Grades K & up) While you enjoy your tea, your child can enjoy the newly released *Paddington* movie on our BIG screen in the library. Bring a teddy bear or stuffed friend and enjoy a "beary" special snack! *Paddington Bear* books will be available for checkout after the show. Drop off your child a few minutes before 2 p.m. and pick him/her up at 3:30 when the movie is over. 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. Available at the library.

Report to the Community

2014 Annual Report Figures

Florida Public Library

- chartered to serve 4,991 (2010 census)
- had 2,989 registered borrowers
- was open 59 hours per week in fall, winter & spring and 54 hours in summer
- enjoyed a building accessible to all
- had 165,560 total holdings, including 134,951 in electronic materials
- circulated 38,826 items, including 10,619 children's materials
- borrowed 10,014 items from other libraries
- loaned 10,553 items to other libraries
- provided computer access to 12,180 users
- provided free Wi-Fi inside and outside
- provided 14 computers for public use
- employed 14 (6.43 FTE) staff
- offered 491 programs for all ages
- had 27,422 visits to our website
- welcomed 27,098 visitors!

2015-2016 Budget

The total proposed Library budget is \$617,603. The tax levy (amount voted on by taxpayers) is \$409,903. This figure represents an increase of \$23,813 over last year. The breakdown of budget figures includes:

Revenue

Tax Support	\$409,903
Library Charges	12,500
Grants/Aid	5,500
Interest	700
Donations	9,000
Fund Balance (2015)	165,000
Carryover from 2014-2015	15,000
Total Revenue	\$617,603

Expenditures

Salaries	\$224,273
FICA/Disability/Medical	71,900
Library Materials	37,150
Programs	12,800
Technology	20,975
Office	11,000
Building Expenses	36,250
Professional Fees	23,255
Fund Balance (2015)	175,000
Capital Reserve	5,000
Total Expenditures	\$617,603

Friends of the FPL

The Friends believe excellent library services are important for everyone. Your membership dues and volunteer time help fund programs, furniture, purchases and more. We appreciate our Friends and hope you will join!



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

Friday, May 15

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

Memberships are available now in the library!

Saturday & Sunday, May 16 & 17

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 9



Danna Banana Family FunTime Music for families with young children. Laugh, clap and dance along with Dan Cohen's *I Am Not Silly* program. **10:30 a.m.**

Contemporary Jazz with the Eric Person Duo Drop in and relax in our cozy café with coffee or tea and a slice of cheesecake while tapping your toes to soothing jazz sounds. **7 - 8 p.m.**

A Sampling of Spring Events for Adults Only

Join the Conversation... *Family Central* based in Warwick is a grassroots movement dedicated to safeguarding childhood & supporting family life. Come talk about the struggles of raising a family amidst the pressures of social media, technology & school demands. **Weds., April 8, 6:30 p.m.**

Knit & Crochet Circle Join a warm & welcoming group for company while you knit or crochet. **Mondays in April, 10:30 a.m.-Noon / Monday, April 20, 6-7:30 p.m.** with expert Kathleen Braun.

Baklava: The Mediterranean Sweet Taste-test baklava as Clare Kazmierczak, baking coach & owner of *La Grande Finale*, demonstrates step-by-step assembly. **Thursday, April 16 at 6:30 p.m.**

FPL Poetry Café Open mic followed by readings by host Robert Milby & guest poets Alyta Adams from *Out Loud Performance Party* in Port Jervis, and Jennifer Circosta, author, actress and yoga teacher. Freshly brewed coffee and homemade desserts provided. **Friday, April 17 at 6 p.m.**

Stylish Outdoor Living with Karen Gray-Plaisted of *Design Solutions KGP*. Create outdoor living areas for entertaining and enjoying your yard. Increase the appeal and value of your home with extended living space. **Wednesday, April 22 at 6:30 p.m.**

The Herbal Tea Garden with Alicia Frosini, owner of *Sugar Loaf Mountain Herbs*. Tea herbs, also known as herbal tisanes, are a wonderful and aromatic addition to your garden. Discover herbs to grow in your garden, their healing properties and how to preserve them for winter use. **Wednesday, April 29 at 6:30 p.m.**

Go to the Events Calendar on our website for more classes, clubs, & special events for all ages.

New Arrivals

New Adult Fiction

<i>The Stranger</i>	Harlan Coben
<i>The Assassin</i>	Clive Cussler
<i>Someone is Watching</i>	Joy Fielding
<i>Shadow Scale</i>	Rachel Hartman
<i>Dead Wake</i>	Erik Larson
<i>World Gone By</i>	Dennis Lehane
<i>Hush, Hush</i>	Laura Lippman
<i>NYPD Red 3</i>	James Patterson
<i>Angel Court Affair</i>	Anne Perry
<i>Cavendon Women</i>	Barbara T Bradford
<i>Bound by Flames</i>	Jeaniene Frost
<i>Crash & Burn</i>	Lisa Gardner
<i>Girl on the Train</i>	Paula Hawkins
<i>Cold Betrayal</i>	Judith Jance
<i>Dreaming Spies</i>	Laurie R. King

New DVDs

Big Hero 6
The Book of Life
Downton Abbey S.5
Beyond the Lights
Birdman
Mockingjay Pt. 1
The Imitation Game
Kill the Messenger
Penguins of Madagascar
St. Vincent
Whiplash
Foxcatcher
The Interview
Into the Woods
Top Five

New Teen Fiction

<i>Dangerous Deceptions</i>	Sarah Zettel
<i>I'll Give You the Sun</i>	Sandy Nelson
<i>Four: A Divergent Collection</i>	
	Veronica Roth
<i>Easy</i>	Tammara Webber
<i>We Were Liars</i>	E. Lockhart
<i>Strange and Beautiful Sorrows of</i>	
<i>Ava Lavender</i>	Leslye Walton
<i>The Story of Owen: Dragon Slayer</i>	
<i>of Trondheim</i>	E.K. Johnston
<i>Forbidden</i>	Kimberley G Little
<i>Shadow Scale</i>	Rachel Hartman
<i>Rivals in the City</i>	Y.S. Lee
<i>Talon</i>	Julie Kagawa
<i>Grasshopper Jungle</i>	Andrew Smith

Library Hours

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



Summer Reading Program 2015

Every Hero has a Story
for kids
Unmask
for teens

Escape the Ordinary
for adults

Registration begins on
Monday, June 22

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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.

Library Donors & Angels

In Memory of Danial Brady: John & Dorothy Kimiecik, Shirley and Tom Coughlin, Kathy Lupino, Vincent and Joan Poloniak, Mary & John Fish, Ken & Connie Kosior

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And the Friends of the FPL for all the support in 2015!

Thank you!

