March 31, 2017 for April 3, 2017 Monthly Meeting

To: Florida Public Library Board of Trustees

From: Madelyn Folino, Director

Monthly Report

March 2016 Circulation Door Count: 2,334 Closed: 1 holiday
Adult: 2,021 Juvenile: 659 \$: 783.75 ILL loans: 675 ILL borrows: 870

March 2017 Circulation* Door Count: Closed: 2 snow, 1 late opening Adult: Juvenile: \$: 780.79 ILL loans: ILL borrows:

Programs

- Rhymetime has attracted 10 toddlers and 5 adults since new sessions started in late January. Storytime has a loyal core group of 3-5 year olds attending. Due to a rash of meetings, Eileen has been subbing for Sara and offering programs with an astronomy theme for this group. Tween Club has experienced a dip in attendance that the sign language program could not overcome. Teens will be welcomed to Tween programs, hoping to draw older siblings. Teens will be focusing on cooking programs in April.
- Recent successful programs have included World Drumming (64), Irish in America (12), Irish Night (25) and Making Scones with Janet Picarelli (21.) Two programs were cancelled due to snow. Irish Tales, a storytelling program, has been rescheduled to May.
- Maria's Tech Help classes are attracting 8-10 people per week. We have added a Saturday Tech Help session in March and April, also.
- Coming Up: Please spread the word to local longtime residents. Actors' Workshop Ensemble will visit on 4/5 and 5/6 to collect stories of Florida residents for the Village of Warwick Sesquicentennial Celebration in August. The stories will be recorded and incorporated into *Confabulation*, a scripted performance about the people who live and work in the Warwick Valley.
- Election Day programs will feature animals in the a.m., 3D printing in the p.m. and guitar music in the evening. Please encourage everyone to stop by and vote!
- The April school break week will feature a Harry Potter matinee and a Bricks4Kids motorized Lego building session.
- Our second session by the Alzheimer's Association is on 4/20. Eight attended Part 1.
- Plans are in motion for the Summer Reading Program with a theme of *Build a Better World*. The Kick-Off Party will be Monday, 6/26 with Bash the Trash demonstrating musical instruments made from recycled objects. The Wrap Up Party and Ice Cream Social will be Friday, 7/28 with Squeaky Clean providing musical entertainment.

Communications

- Postcards from RCLS with Trustee Training for June 7: What is the BIG DEAL about Intellectual Freedom? Buffet dinner at 5:30 p.m.; workshop 6-8:30 p.m.
- Letter from Attorney Rebecca Ferrigno-Ohm with check for Parmerter bequest
- Sent a condolence card to the family of Richard Pawelski.

Financial/Donations

- \$5,000 Bequest from the Estate of Gloria Parmerter. On the agenda: deposit into Capital Reserve account.
- \$93.50 March mini-book sale; recorded as Library Charges.

^{*}Not yet available

• A FOIL request from SmartProcure of Deerfield Beach, FL for all purchases since 11/30/16 was filled and confirmed on 3/30.

Budget Vote and Trustee Election

- We have three trustee candidates: incumbents Scott and Kelemen and newcomer Lee Maas. Ballot order will be: Maas, Kelemen, Scott.
- Absentee ballots are available through April 5.
- Martha has had difficulty finding election inspectors (see agenda.)
- Our Spring bulk-mailed newsletter with budget information arrived locally on 3/23.

Personnel

- The staff is organizing a mini-book sale for 4/8-4/15; still working on the large number of book donations in the basement.
- We will be closed on Friday, 4/28 for staff training. Martha will visit to update us on ANSER procedures.

Building and Equipment

• Will order a Little Free Library kit soon; location to be announced.

Outreach

- Mr. Jankowiak's self-contained class from SS Seward has been making regular visits to FPL to check out books and use the computers.
- Meg and I attended an OLA Meet and Greet with County Dept. Heads at the Orange County Arboretum yesterday and shared information about our programs.
- Plans are being made with Village Trustee Olejniczak for weekly visits in July to the Village Summer Recreation Program. Sara has scheduled an FPL-sponsored program by Sciencetellers for Rec on 7/17.
- Our Door to Door Campaign resumes 5/15, 5/16 with rain date of 5/18.

Friends of the FPL

- Election lawn signs have been prepared for the Friends to put up.
- The Friends are hiring a caterer for the 4th Annual Spring Tea on Saturday, 6/3. No word on costs. Trustee Arcieri has volunteered to buy storage containers and sort china and supplies in the basement on 4/7 at 2:30 p.m.
- The FFPL is sponsoring the 45th Poetry Café on 4/21 with a donation of \$250.

Meetings, Travel & Events – Upcoming

4/4 and 4/11– RCLS Workshop, Mental Health First Aid – Ashley and Marie

4/5 – Trustee Workshop @ RCLS – Trustee Recruitment, 5:30 p.m.

4/6 – OLA General Meeting - Annette

4/7 - RCLS Teaching Adults Workshop – Annette

4/10 - Friends of the FPL, 6:30 p.m.

4/10 - Florida ABCD Head Start - Maria

4/20 – RCLS Workshop – Reimagining Our Library Spaces - Madelyn

4/24 – CLOUSC - Sara

6/7 – Trustee Workshop @ RCLS – What's the Big Deal about Intellectual Freedom?, 5:30 p.m.