

June 2, 2017 for June 5, 2017 Monthly Meeting

To: Florida Public Library Board of Trustees
From: Madelyn Folino, Director

Monthly Report

April 2016 Circulation	Door Count: 2,109	Closed: 0
Adult: 1,878 Juvenile: 594	\$. 492.15 ILL loans: 656	ILL borrows: 777
April 2017 Circulation	Door Count: 1,982	Closed: 1 holiday, 1 training
Adult: 1,384 Juvenile: 617	\$. 853.55 ILL loans: 776	ILL borrows: 816
May 2016 Circulation	Door Count: 1,905	Closed: 1 holiday
Adult: 1,782 Juvenile: 619	\$. 1,031.46 ILL loans: 654	ILL borrows: 790
May 2017 Circulation	Door Count: 2,120	Closed: 1 holiday
Adult: 1,734 Juvenile: 589	\$. 924.19 ILL loans: 826	ILL borrows: 940

Programs

- Rhymetime's attendance has increased and stabilized for the toddler group. Storytime continues to attract a core group of eight 3-5 year olds. Parents seem to appreciate the mix of science based programs alternating with a more traditional format for this age group. Books & Beyond (K-3) is struggling with attendance and Tween attendance has evaporated. Teen Time has experienced a dip in attendance, but food continues to be an effective lure.
- Recent successful adult programs have included storytelling by Muriel Horowitz for Holocaust Remembrance Day (18), Irish Tales (13) and Korean Lotus Lanterns (18.) Due to popular demand, the presenters from KCSPP will return in the fall for a program on Korean cooking.
- Maria's Tech Help classes attracted 21 senior citizens in April plus she provided five one-on-one help sessions, as well.
- Coming Up: Please spread the word to local residents, especially longtimers. Actors' Workshop Ensemble will visit again on 6/15 at 6 p.m. and 6/17 at 10:30 a.m. 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. AWE asked to return for additional sessions because they say they collected their best stories in Florida.
- Sara, Cherene and Marie will visit Golden Hill on 6/6 to promote the Summer Reading Program, explain its components and do a quick craft in every class. Meg is working on the SRP brochure with calendar listing which will be handed out in school later this month.
- Orange Library Association (OLA) will sponsor a program with Colson Whitehead, author of the acclaimed novel *The Underground Railroad* on Saturday, 9/23 at Tuxedo Park Library. OLA will provide each county library with 10 copies of the book and tickets to the event. Marie will schedule a book discussion and possibly other programs as we usually do for Orange Reads.

Communications

- Condolence card sent to the family of Friends' member Christine Lupinski.
- Get well wishes sent to our indispensable contractor Tom Mance.

Financial/Donations

- \$359.75 – Yard Sale on 5/20 – Donations (4050.)
- \$260 – Copper Bottom restaurant – Donations (4050.)
- \$129.01 – RCLS – 1st qtr. fines through PayPal – credited to Library Charges (4010.)
- \$25 – Barbara Horvath – Donations (4050.)
- \$25 – Dianne Leo – in memory of Christine Lupinski - Donations (4050.)
- *How to be a Victorian* – book donated by Florida Historical Society for Seward Day.
- \$10,000 was transferred to the Capital Reserve (6950) per the budget.
- Annual health care buy back for FY 2016-2017 is on the agenda.
- Save the date: House Concert, Wednesday, 7/12, 7:30 p.m. for the benefit of FPL at the home of President Arcieri, featuring guitar music by Sara and special guest storyteller Diane Edgecomb telling *A Thousand Doorways* (Kurdish folktales she collected in Turkey) as a try-out for her performance at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival in August. Adults only, \$10 per person. Refreshments – please contribute.

Personnel

- I will be on vacation 6/9-6/26. Sara will be in charge in my absence.
- Page Megan Kelly will attend SUNY Geneseo this fall to study biology.

Door to Door Campaign

Our Door to Door Campaign continued on Monday, 5/15 throughout Cedar Crest and on Wednesday, 5/17 on Bates Circle, Dussenbury St. and Sturr Lane. These were the remaining residential clusters that were reasonable to walk. We fielded nine two-person teams. Both sessions were 4-7 p.m. which proved a little too early for Cedar Crest's commuter and working population. We had better luck in the same time period on Wednesday on a brutally hot day. Altogether, we collected 23 comment cards from existing patrons, signed up 9 new patrons and an additional 3 patrons responded to the door hangers and came in for cards that week. We have asked the FFPL to sponsor a \$100 gift certificate to Werner's for a drawing on 6/30. All new patrons signed up since April through 6/30, including those from kindergarten families, will be eligible for the prize. To date, we have already met our goal of signing up 200 new patrons in the fiscal year. At last count, we had 216. I have nominated the program for the RCLS Adult Program of the Year. Kudos to all staff and trustees who participated in this outreach program. Meg did excellent work in pulling together the patron and address lists we used from a variety of sources and Ashley created all new cards and kept all patron records straight. It was of great importance to have trustee support this effort.

Building and Equipment

- The charging station has arrived and we anticipate good use by patrons, especially teens.
- Two laptops have been purchased for the YA area. Tablets at this table were not popular. We hope to divert game-playing teens to the YA area, or alternately, steer adult computer users to this table for quiet work when the eight public computers near Circ. are full up after school.
- Tom Mance re-cemented loose railings on the front steps on 5/27.
- My husband, Ross, and I did the annual plantings on 5/12. Our dead dogwood tree was removed.
- Looking into moving the front faucet to a more accessible location on the side of the building. No one wants to climb up on the wall and walk along it to reach the faucet.
- Waiting for a quote on security cameras from PN Alarm.

Museum Passes

Free passes for five museums have been barcoded and assembled into easy to check out kits for Florida patrons only, age 18 and up with library cards in good standing, for a borrowing period of three days. We hope patrons will take advantage of the passes. We are looking into whether passes for the Town Beach in Greenwood Lake would be an option.

Friends of the FPL

- The Friends have plans set for the 4th Annual Spring Tea on Saturday, 6/3. To date, only four tickets (or one table) remain unsold. Profits for the Tea: \$_____.
- The Friends Used Book Sale/Bake Sale on 5/19-5/21 took in a profit of \$1,191.75.
- The Spring issue of *Trustee FYI* featured an article on RCLS Trustee and FFPL Past President Anita Baumann.

Meetings, Travel & Events – Upcoming

6/3 – 4th Annual Spring Tea, 1-2:30 p.m. – tickets still available!

6/5 – CLOUSC – Sara

6/6 – Online registration for Summer Reading Program begins

6/7 – Trustee Workshop @ RCLS – *What’s the Big Deal about Intellectual Freedom?*, free buffet dinner 5:30 p.m., workshop 6-8:30

6/8 – Intellectual Freedom workshop @ RCLS - Sara

6/12 – Tickets for SRP Kick-Off Party are available

6/19 – Registration for SRP programs for all ages begins

6/25 – Last Sunday FPL is open until 9/10

6/26 – SRP Kick-off Party in Senior Center, 1 p.m.

7/10 – Rescheduled date for FPL July Annual Meeting – please note!

9/15 – RCLS Legislative Breakfast and Annual Meeting, Bear Mountain Inn