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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Thank you!
A Message
From Your Board

The Library’s annual budget vote & trustee election is Thursday, April 6 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 a three-year term and one trustee for a one-year term.

Last September, we celebrated Library Card Sign Up Month with our first Door to Door Campaign. Fourteen teams of Staff, Trustees and Friends members walked 87 miles over three days, covered 33 Village streets and visited 534 homes to hand out library cards and talk about our programs and services. Thanks to the 107 new patrons who joined us, to all the friendly dogs we met and to everybody who shared their library stories! In May, we’ll be out knocking on doors again to reach our goal of adding 200 patrons in 2016-2017. We look forward to meeting you and thank you for your strong support of your hometown library.

The FPL Board of Trustees

Anything But Books
Library Yard Sale
Saturday, May 20
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, June 3, 1 - 2:30 p.m.

Our Annual Spring Tea has quickly become a Florida tradition and an anticipated afternoon of elegance and camaraderie. The Friends of the FPL are now sponsoring this fundraiser. The tea will feature finger sandwiches, freshly baked scones, pastries, cakes and treats. Take part in drawings for prizes, including one for best hat! Adults only. Tickets go sale April 1: $20 each; $10 fee to reserve your table of four.

“Come, let us have some tea and continue to talk about happy things.”

Chaim Potok

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

2016 Annual Report Figures

Florida Public Library ....

- chartered to serve 4,991 (2010 census)
- had 2,801 registered borrowers
- was open 59 hours per week in fall, winter & spring and 54 hours in summer
- enjoyed a building accessible to all
- had 189,982 total holdings, including 160,894 in electronic materials
- circulated 32,337 items, including 8,736 children’s materials
- borrowed 9,296 items from other libraries
- loaned 8,396 items to other libraries
- provided 410 programs for 4,302 users of all ages
- provided free Wi-Fi inside and outside
- provided 14 computers for public use
- employed 16 (6.65 FTE) staff
- Had 26,179 visits to our website
- welcomed 24,199 visitors!

2017-2018 Budget

The total proposed Library budget is $497,640. The tax levy (amount voted on by taxpayers) is $443,940. This figure represents an increase of $15,590 over last year. The breakdown of budget figures includes:

**Revenue**
- Tax Support $443,940
- Library Charges 12,500
- Grants/Aid 6,000
- Interest 1,200
- Donations 9,000
- Carryover from 2015-2016 25,000
- Total Revenue $497,640

**Expenditures**
- Salaries $257,500
- FICA/Dis/Med/401K 78,500
- Library Materials 39,450
- Programs 12,800
- Technology 22,175
- Office 11,000
- Building Expenses 36,825
- Professional Fees 24,390
- Capital Reserve 15,000
- Total Expenditures $497,640

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!

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 6

Introduction to Animals
Especially for 2 to 5 year old children, but all ages are welcome!
Join the Hudson Highlands Nature Museum and some furry friends that live in our area.
The program emphasizes a conservation theme as children learn that wild animals are not pets
and must be protected in their habitats. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Thursday, April 6 at 10:30 a.m.

A Evening with Marc Mathelier
For all ages
FPL welcomes solo guitarist Marc Mathelier as he performs a variety
of songs ranging from classical jazz to new age. Drop in, enjoy dessert
and the music!

Thursday, April 6 from 6 to 8 p.m.

More Spring Programs for All Ages at FPL
Confabulation: Story Gathering Workshop ~ The Notion of a Small Town is an original
community performance piece built on the stories from the people who live and work in the
Warwick Valley. All are invited to join Actor’s Workshop Ensemble in the creative process, to
collect tales and family legends. These stories will inspire an original script for the Warwick
Sesquicentennial celebration. Wednesday, April 5, 6 p.m. and Saturday, May 6, 10:30 a.m.

“To Be or Not To Be” ~ Understanding Hamlet - SUNY Orange professor Mary Warrener
returns for a presentation on Shakespeare’s Hamlet. Learn about the play through discussion of
the text and video clips of famous performances. Copies of the play are available for check out.
For adults & teens 16 & up. Thursday, April 13, 7:30 pm

Dusty the READ Dog ~ Every month at FPL! Dusty is a certified Reading Education
Assistance Dog who is eager to hear children read! He helps inspire confidence in reading skills by
“listening” to your child read, one-on-one. Sign up to read to Dusty or just stop by to meet him
and give him a pat! Saturday, April 15 & May 17 from 11 a.m. to noon.

Craft Club: Zentangle ~ Jennifer Wilken is back for another fun and relaxing Zentangle class.
Create beautiful images by drawing structured patterns. Wednesday, April 19, 6:30 p.m.

Alzheimer’s Association: Healthy Habits for a Healthier You ~ Part II in our
Alzheimer’s series. The workshop covers the four areas of lifestyle habits that are associated with
healthy aging. Tips to improve and maintain our overall health. Thursday, April 20, 6 p.m.

May Door to Door ?
Go to www.floridapubliclibrary.org for more classes, clubs, & special events for all ages.