

September 30 for October 3, 2022 Monthly Meeting

To: Florida Public Library Board of Trustees
From: Meg Sgombick, Director

Monthly Report

September 2021 Circulation	Door Count: 1228	Closed: Holiday: 1	Sunday: 1
Adult: 1145 Juvenile: 916	\$:279.85	ILL loans: 715	ILL borrows: 567
September 2022 Circulation	Door Count:	Closed: 1 Holiday, 1 Sunday	
Adult: Juvenile: \$: 412.00	ILL loans:	ILL borrows:	

Programs

- Please see Barron's September report for details on programs.
- Barron submitted our annual Summer Reading @ NY Libraries' worksheet. In comparing this summer to last summer, we actually offered the same number of programs at 51. The difference was in attendance with 1,137 for 2021 and 1,368 for 2022. Registrations for the Summer Reading Clubs held steady at 81 children & 14 teens for 2021 and 82 children & 12 teens for 2022.
- We are pleased to offer a new database on our website. *Comics Plus* provides unlimited access to thousands of digital comics, graphic novels, and manga from more than 100 publishers. All available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Communications

- Thank you note to Pitso Mafata & Stella Kosior for their donations.
- Letter to Florida Union Free School District requesting tax levy.
- Thank you letter received from Florida Union Free School District for donation of 19 copies of the *Shadow & Bone* book and one set of the *2020 World Book Encyclopedia* (22 volumes.)
- Thank you letter to Warwick Valley for books donations. I accepted the donation of five books at the Gardeners' meeting on 9/20. Books titles are:
 - *Landscaping for Beginners*
 - *The Bee & the Flower* (a bilingual children's book)
 - *Moon Gardening*
 - *Native Plants – Gardening for Birds, Bees & Butterflies* (Northeast edition)
 - *Let's Get Gardening – 30 Easy Gardening Projects for Children*

Financial/Donations/Grants

- \$100 – Pitso Mafata, Donations (4050.)
- \$20 – Stella Kosior IMO Christina Romaniuk, Donations (4050.)
- \$250 – RCLS – Adult Program of the Year Award, Donations (4050.)
- The Friends of FPL – paid for the renewal of the museum pass for Storm King Art Center. The check was mailed directly to Storm King by the Friends. We are so grateful for their continued support of our Museum Passes Program.
- Senator Skoufis was here on 9/27 with the "big" \$15,000 check. Funds to be utilized for youth programming so the staff is hard at work coming up with plans to spend the money. Funding not expected until late in 2022.
- Our annual audit by Justin Wood, CPA of Nugent & Haeussler took place on 9/28. He reported that we are in excellent financial shape and he will attend the December board meeting to present his report.

Personnel

- Page Taylor Vogt completed her probation on 9/23/22, changing her Civil Service status to Permanent.
- I have requested the Library Assistant List of Eligibles needed to fill our upcoming vacancies.

New Policy

3D Printing – ALA recommends that all libraries providing access to 3D printers should adopt written policies governing the use of their 3D printers. A copy is attached for adoption at the meeting.

Building and Equipment

- Revisions to Lothrop Rider are currently sitting with our attorney.
- We have ordered some new shelving for the DVD-Series Collection. Volunteer Bob Persing moved the community bulletin board to the entrance way and will install the new shelving units when they arrive.
- The library is now a drop-off location for the community Trex Recycling challenge program. The bin, located in the entrance way, is for recycling household bags & wraps. If the Florida Community collects 500 pounds of plastic refuse in a six-month span (about 40,500 plastic bags), Trex will donate a high-performance composite bench to our community. There will be two additional bins in the community.

Community Outreach

Great Give Back (month of October) – Just a reminder. I'll share a handy flyer with everyone at the meeting.

65th Anniversary – 2023 is the year! A discussion item for the meeting.

Florida Chamber of Commerce Meeting – Monthly meetings have returned and I will be attending the October meeting on 10/4.

Florida Youth Soccer Community Outreach Day – Opportunity to be out in the community and hopefully sign-up some new patrons.

Friends of the FPL

The Friends will be holding their Used Book Sale this coming weekend. Application for 501(c)(3) on hold until Friends receive approval on their Certificate of Incorporation application. According to NYS Division of Corporations they are backlogged and are currently working on submissions from January 2022. Our application was submitted in April.

Meetings, Travel & Events – Upcoming

October brings up the required yearly sexual harassment prevention training for all staff and trustees. Barron will forward you the information to complete the Niche Academy online training and print a certificate. All training must be done by 12/31/22.

Oct. 3: Battle of the Books/Teen Librarians Meeting – Barron & Beth P

Oct. 4: Florida Chamber of Commerce Meeting- Meg

Oct. 8: Florida Youth Soccer Community Outreach Event – Meg

Oct. 8: Warwick Children's Book Festival – Meg – a great chance to connect with local authors.

Oct. 11: Friends of FPL Meeting

Oct. 12: DA Meeting – Zoom – Meg

Oct. 13: Adult Programmers Meeting – Marie

Oct. 17: System Services Meeting - Meg

Oct. 25: Fall Into Books – Barron, Beth P & Beth V

Nov. 2 – 5 – NYLA Conference, Saratoga Springs, NY – Barron & Ashley