

## February 28, 2026 for March 2, 2026 Monthly Meeting

**To: Florida Public Library Board of Trustees**

**From: Meg Sgombick, Director**

### Monthly Report

\*February 2026 Circulation      Door Count:      Closed: 1 holiday/2 snow  
Adult:    Juvenile:    Library Charges: \$446.50    ILL loans: 688    ILL borrows: 510

February 2025 Circulation      Door Count: 1,496      Closed: 1 holiday/2 snow  
Adult: 1,245:    Juvenile: 758    Library Charges: \$428.16    ILL loans: 887    ILL borrows: 534

\*Will be available at the meeting

January 2026 Circulation      Door Count: 1,397      Closed: 2 holidays; 3 snow days  
Adult: 1,237    Juvenile: 723    Library Charges: \$273.15    ILL loans: 871    ILL borrows: 522

### Programs

- Barron's February Program Report will be available at the meeting.
- Author Jennifer Probst visited the Library on Sat., Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>. She discussed her writing experience, took questions from attendees, signed copies of her book and took photos with everyone. It was a truly enjoyable afternoon with her.



- Make sure and check out some of our recent social media videos. Our “librarians not wearing cardigans” video on Instagram had over 8,000 views.
- We are hosting the GHPTA's PARP Kick-off Event on Sunday, March 1st. We are also co-sponsoring authors/illustrators Jacky Davis and David Soman at the school on March 9th.

### Financial/Donations/Grants

- Ashley & Donald Dinsmore - IMO Debbi Lisack - \$50 – credited to Target Donations (4060) and Books (5010) lines of the budget.
- RCLS 4Q2025 PayPal -\$60.15 – credit to Library Charges.
- We had an information meeting with Stephen Hoefler and Noah Nadelson from Munistat on Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>. They provided us with a good overview of construction finances and steps for moving forward. The major projects to be working on are setting a date for our bond referendum vote and picking a stand along type project to apply for construction aid.

## Communications

- Donation letter IMO of Debbi Lisack and thank you letter sent to donor.
- Email from Ashley Dinsmore regarding re-election to the Board.
- Office of the New York State Comptroller - Tax Cap Form Submission.

## Personnel

- Staff will be attending the screening of *The Librarians* on March 6<sup>th</sup>. Reminder to trustees that would like to join us, the screening counts as trustee training. Please let me know if you would like to attend, so I can register you.
- My classes resumed in February and run through April. This semester we are focusing on Library Finances in Public Library Administration.

## Annual Budget Vote and Trustee Election

Trustee Dinsmore will not be returning to the board for a second term; she has and continues to be a true library advocate. Allison Harter will be running for election in her place. Allison has picked up and completed her petition. Beth has placed the legal notice with the *Warwick Valley Dispatch* and *Goshen Independent*. All budget information is in the Election Binder at the front desk. Awaiting tax rate information from the school. The Annual Tax Cap Form has been filed with the New York State Office of the Comptroller.

## Building and Equipment

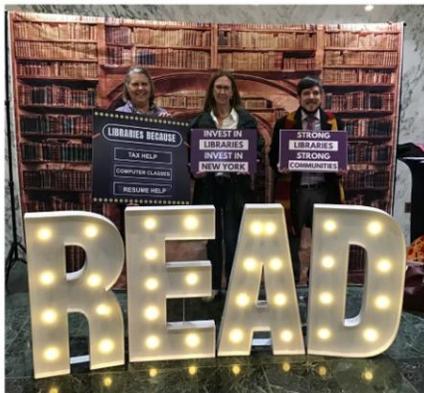
- We will be approving the proposal from Ketcham Fencing for the repair to the front steps and railing at the meeting. They have been closed off since mid-February.
- We have added Barnes and Noble as another online vendor for book purchases.

## Technology

Barron attended an “Ask-Lawyer” webinar on Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> on website compliance. Beginning in April of 2027 the Library will have to comply with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines. Barron will be working with our website and calendar partners to make sure our site is in compliance by that time.

## Library Advocacy Day

What a great day! We had two productive meetings with Assemblyman Brabenec and Senator Skoufis’ Chief of Staff.



### **2025 State Annual Report**

We finally have some direction on completing the 2025 Annual Report. RCLS will be having a workshop on the new program and I will have numbers to report at the April Meeting.

### **Community Outreach**

*Florida Chamber of Commerce* – The library will have a craft table at the upcoming Easter Egg Hunt on March 21.

### **Friends of the FPL**

The Friends did not meet in February, the next meeting is Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **Meetings, Travel & Events – Upcoming**

March 5: RCLS & WLS Developing Advocates Session #2: Who's Who & Relationship Building – Meg

March 6: Staff Development Day – All staff

March 10: Annual Report Workshop - Meg

March. 9: Friends' Meeting - Meg

March 12: DA Meeting - Meg

March 16: System Services Meeting – Meg

March 17: Marketing Minds · Monthly Meeting - Beth

March 26: RCLS & WLS Developing Advocates Session 3: How Policy Passes - Meg

### **Trustee Training**

Monday, March 9: Trustee Education: Board Documents & Meetings - How to Tame Them (online) - 6:30- 7:30pm