

July 31, 2026 for August 3, 2026 Monthly Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

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

Monthly Report

July 2025 Circulation Door Count: 2250 Closed: 1 holiday, 4 Sundays
Adult: 1,443 Juvenile: 921 Library Charges: \$352.83 ILL loans: 1168 ILL borrows: 514

*July 2026 Circulation Door Count: Closed: 1 holiday, 4 Sundays
Adult: Juvenile: Library Charge: \$372.83 ILL loans: ILL borrows:

*will be available at the meeting on Monday

Programs

- Barron's Monthly Program Report will be available at the meeting.
- Some highlights from summer reading:



- Our Battle of the Books team will once again be participating in the Annual Battle at SUNY Orange on Sunday, Aug. 23.
- Golden Hill Principal Starla Ciarelli joins us at our annual “Meet the Principal” program on August 26th. Our young visitors will have an opportunity to get their first library card at the program.

Communications

- Email/letter from Senator Skoufis
- Trustee Education Communication from Anita Baumann.
- Audit Letter from Nugent & Haeussler.

Financial/Donations/Grants

- The Friends of the Florida Public Library donated \$250 for the renewal of the Storm King Art Center museum pass. The check was written directly to the organization.
- RCLS - \$95.73 - credit to Library Charges (#4010) for 2Q26 PayPal.
- Closing Assurances for our front steps project have been approved. Closing documents have been signed so we can now receive our final 10% payment.
- I have confirmed our audit date with Justin Wood as September 9th.

Personnel

- We will be closed on August 24 for our annual clean up day and staff meeting. Staff will be discussing progress on our Long-Range Plan along with other staff related items.

Library of Things

- Several new kits have been added to our collection including a Dinosaur Adventure and I FISH NY Kits. The fishing kit is in partnership with NY S Dept. of Environmental Conservation and included several fishing rods.



Staff Training

- NYLA Annual Conference – November 4 - 7, 2026 – This year’s conference will be in Saratoga Springs. Barron, and I would like to attend. Barron will be presenting at this year’s conference once again. This is an action item at the meeting.

Technology/Social Media

Please make sure you are following all our social media accounts. There have been some good ones including “Choosing Our Next Book Club Selection” and “Library Parkour.” A big thank to the staff for getting involved in the making of these videos.

FPL Library Card on the Move – Beth has been hiding our library card in plain sight at locations around the Village. She has been posting close-up photos and challenging patrons to identify where the card has landed. Do you know where the card is this week?



Community Outreach

- *Chamber of Commerce* – Flyers in your folders with more information:
 - An Evening with Jimmy Sturr – Thurs., Aug. 20, 6 – 8 pm.
 - Elvis Live – Sat., Sept. 19, 5 – 8 pm.

Friends of the FPL

The Friends will be having a table at the FunFest on Sunday, Aug. 9th from 11 am to 6 pm. Anyone is welcome to join me for a couple of hours. Congratulations to Bob Scott for receiving the 2026 Lifetime Achievement Award.

Trustee Training

Anita Baumann sent out an extensive email on July 17th regarding trustee training. I have included a copy in your folders. It included a host of training opportunities. If you have any questions, please let me know. Reminder all trustees must also complete the annual NYS Sexual Harassment Prevention Training course (also referenced in the email.)

Meetings, Travel & Events – Upcoming

August 4-7: Meg on vacation

August 10: Friends of FPL Meeting - Meg

August 12: DA Meeting – Meg

August 23: RCLS Battle of the Books – Barron, Dawn & our team

August 24: Staff Clean Up Day – All available staff

Sept. 18: RCLS Annual Meeting – please register if interested in attending.