

Friends of the Library



Friends of the Library of Osceola County, St. Cloud Friends of the Library,
Poinciana Friends of the Library, Buenaventura Lakes Friends of the Library

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Hart Library Celebrates Grand Re-Opening

After being closed for several months, the Hart Memorial Library branch in downtown Kissimmee re-opened on June 2nd. The Osceola County Library System began a massive undertaking to renovate all branches nearly two years ago. Hart was the last to be finished.

The Celebration kicked off with a ribbon cutting marking the official re-opening. Branch Manager Amy Jones was joined by Library Contract Manager Dave Barnett,

Library Director Denise Galarraga, Commissioner Cheryl Grieb and members of the library's staff.

The redesign features new locations for the circulation desk and computer terminals.

The space was brightened with new lighting and colorful furniture. The children's area was given new furniture for kids to play and read.



Florida Library Association News

The Florida Library Association held its annual conference at the Caribe Royal Hotel in April. Several local Friends were elected to the Friends Foundation and Boards: Joan Touzin, Chair; Cynthia Beardsley, Vice Chair; Carol Ann McCarthy, Secretary.

Friends Sponsor the Florida Collection for St. Cloud Branch

Thanks to the generous donation of the St. Cloud Friends of the Library, a collection of books focusing on Florida history and authors has debuted at the St. Cloud branch. This collection was curated from book donations over the course of several years by Barb Shuman, a St. Cloud friend,

and former history teacher. The plan is for the collection to be introduced at each branch over time as more books are processed and purchased. These books are part of the regular library inventory and can be found on their own shelf near the circulation desk.



St. Cloud Friends Plan Trip to Flagler Museum

The Friends of the St. Cloud Veteran's Library are planning a bus trip to the Flagler Museum in Palm Beach, Florida. This historic museum was originally built in 1902 by Henry Morrison Flagler as a winter home and wedding present for his third wife. This museum houses several pieces of chine, furniture, paintings, etc. from the early 1900's. The cost of this bus trip and admission to the museum is \$40 payable 45 days in advance. There will be small group guided tours of the museum. The group will still for lunch at a reasonable priced restaurant. If interested, please contact Mardie Brittenham at 407-498-2244, victorianpride1@gmail.com, or Pam Gaines at 407-922-0199.

Upcoming Book Sales

Hart: TBD

BVL: Last Fri. of Month, 3 - 5 pm

Fri. Sep 22, 12 pm – 5 pm

Sat. Sep 23, 9 am – 3 pm

Poinciana: First Wed of Month
10 am – 12 pm

Fri. Dec 1, 9 am – 3 pm

Sat. Dec 2, 9 am - 3 pm

St. Cloud: Thurs. Oct 26, 12 pm -8 pm
Fri. Oct 27, 9 am – 3 pm
Sat. Oct 28, 9 am - 3 pm

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Annual Membership

Individual	\$5
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Benefactor	\$25

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*To Build a Partnership with the
Library and the Community
Through Literacy*