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President **Kathleen Stevens**, along with FOPL Board Member **Jim Dickinson** (left) and Mayor **Dan Slater** (right), cut the ribbon to kick off Friends' 65th Anniversary. Thank you to the Orange Chamber of Commerce for organizing this event and to all who were able to celebrate with us.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Friends of the Orange Public Library is a non-profit 501©(3) organization of community residents who believe in the value and future of our public library. The Friends support the Library with funds from the Friends Bookstore, by receiving and encouraging personal donations, distributions from trusts and bequests from estates, and by encouraging community support for a better library.

FOPL generously provides the Library with the following:

- Support for the Children's Summer Reading Program
- Large Print books
- Funds for other projects requested by the Library
- Outreach Programs
- and more!



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BOOK SALES 2024

SPRING BAG OF BOOKS SALE

Saturday 4/13/2024

Community Room

9 AM – 10 AM – Members

10 AM – 3 PM – Public

BOOKSTORE – Open 10 AM

SUMMER READING BOOK SALE IN THE TANNAS FAMILY GARDEN

Saturday 6/22/2024

Summer Reading Club starts 6/17

10 AM – 2 PM Courtyard

BOOKSTORE – Open 10 AM

BAG OF BOOKS SALE

Saturday 8/24/2024

Community Room

9 AM – 10 AM – Members

10 AM – 3 PM – Public

BOOKSTORE – Open 10 AM

COMIC CONVENTION

Saturday 9/14/2024

12 NOON – 4 PM

Outside by the 25¢ Books

BOOKSTORE – Open 10 AM

HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE BOOK SALE

Saturday 12/14/2024

Community Room

10 AM – 3 PM

BOOKSTORE – Open 10 AM

FOPL MEMBERS ONLY

Every Tuesday in the Book Store
Buy One/Get One - regular priced
books, up to 10 books total



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mary Galuska

As the newly elected president of Friends of the Orange Public Library, I am honored to serve in this, our 65th anniversary. Also, reelected for another two years is our awesome Treasurer, **Peter Wetzel**. Our board is almost complete, but we are still looking for a Secretary. If you or anyone you know may be interested, please have them contact me or another of our board members or email fopl2424@gmail.com so we can make this happen.

What an exciting year this has already been for us. On January 9 the Orange City Council presented a Proclamation honoring our 65th (Sapphire) Anniversary of FOPL. Please visit our bookstore to see this beautiful plaque. Then on Friday, January 19, we celebrated again, with a ribbon cutting by the Chamber of Commerce. Look for more 65th Anniversary events throughout the year in our newsletter and posted in our bookstore.

Friends will be holding our Spring book sale on Saturday, April 13. For only \$5, you'll receive a bag to fill up with as many books as you can, or \$4 if you bring your own Friends recyclable bag. Stock up on hundreds of fiction, non-fiction, children's books and more to carry you through spring and summer. Come by the Community Room and visit us from 9 AM to 3 PM, with the first hour for members only.

Speaking of membership, if you have not yet done so, please renew your membership through 2024, so you don't miss out on any of the exciting Friends events happening in this banner year. You can renew your membership in person at our bookstore or online. And don't forget to find us at www.foplca.com

Spring Bag of Books Sale
\$5 per FOPL bag
Bring your own FOPL bag
and save \$1
When: Saturday, April 13th, 10am-3pm
*Members only 9am-10am!
Where: Community Room

Interested in becoming a volunteer for the FOPL? Please scan the QR Code to apply online or you can always visit us at www.foplca.com



NEWS FROM THE BOARD

"IN KIND" DONATIONS

Amy Harpster, Interim Library Director

For Fiscal Year 2023 (July 2022—2023), we added 1,624 items to the collections at the Main and two branch libraries, all from donations that came through the Friends Donations Bin and Large Donations.

If you average the cost of a new item for the Library at \$20, the Library received about \$32,480 "in kind" from the Friends last year from this practice. Thank you Friends, for your continued support.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS

Christine Huard-Spencer, Inventory Director

The Friends continue to receive a large volume of donated books in our donation box at the northeast corner of the Main Library building. The books are sorting with some going directly to the library for its collections, some going to the Friends internet office for listing on the internet and the rest going to our basement storage area to be sorted by topic so they can be collected and taken to the bookstore when needed. This system works very well and it contributes to the successful processing of donations. The Friends and the Library very much appreciate donations received from the community. All proceeds go to supporting the Library's and the Friends' goals related to literacy and ensuring that there are books in the hands of as many community members as possible.

UKULELE SOUP

Ukulele SOUP, started ten years ago by **Peggy Calvert**, is a gathering of skilled and unskilled musicians who enjoy playing the ukulele (or leaning to play it, although this is a music jam, not a class). You can even check out a ukulele from the library to join in. They gather on the third Saturday of each month from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM in the Community Room of the Main Library & History Center and invite all interested people to join them in this library-supported jam. We love to hear their joyful sounds float across to the Arline Minor Friends Bookstore. We are so grateful that they also take a small collection every month and donate it to the Friends, in support of the library. Thank you, *Soupers*, for your support and to the Library System for offering the room.

SPRING MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Courtney, Membership Director

Our membership is growing! We have about 387 members; most are active. Our Life Member category is up to 70. Our Volunteers (of which several are also "Lifers") number 59. We currently have 28 at the Family level (\$25), 12 at the Patron level (\$50), and 16 at the Business/Family level (\$100). The rest of the memberships are at the Individual level. Our memberships are annual; January – December, except for the Life Member level, which never expires.

Just a reminder that our Spring "Stuff A Bag" Sale is coming up April 13. Members are allowed in the first hour BEFORE we open to the public. I will be there to sell/renew memberships at 9 AM. Already have an FOPL bag? Please bring it and get \$1 off to stuff! That's right: reuse your Friends' bag and it's only \$4 to fill it. Membership can be paid by cash, check or charge; in the Book Store, by mail or online.

This is a message for all of our wonderful, dedicated volunteers: I am seeing lots of NEW names on the roster! I wish to welcome new volunteers and also thank our renewing volunteers! The Friends couldn't be as successful as we are without all the help. For the new members, please check in the back of the Book Store for your membership cards. In an effort to save on postage, there is an alphabetized manila folder holder on the counter, just behind the sign in terminal

SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION MATERIALS

Jim Dickinson, Internet Sales Director

Our organization was recently given a large donation of Special Needs Education materials from a retired instructor. We want to offer these resources to any educator in our community who needs them to help with their instruction or who otherwise works with special needs children. We just ask for a small donation to the Friends of the Orange Public Library in return for providing these materials for your use.

If you interested in these materials, please contact our Internet Sales Director, **Jim Dickinson**, by email at bookstore407@gmail.com. Thank you.

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