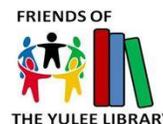


# NEWSLETTER



## Library News from Dawn Bostwick

Nassau County Director of  
Library Services



Dawn Bostwick

### New Year!

#### New Service!

This year, 2020, is an exciting year for the Nassau County Public Library! In the next two weeks we will release a new service called Hoopla!

What is Hoopla? Hoopla is a new collection that allows you to stream content to your mobile device or your PC. The collection contains just over 700,000 items! The collection is complementary to CloudLibrary: both collections have ebooks and audio books. The difference is that CloudLibrary

concentrates on the new and noteworthy titles and Hoopla concentrates more on complete lists of titles, and includes DVDs, music, TV shows, comics and graphic novels. There is material for all ages; children, young adults and adults. Hoopla is the first streaming resource for the Nassau County Public Library System.

Hoopla lives as an app on your mobile device, much like CloudLibrary. You will need your library card to login and check out materials. You will want to be sure your library card is up to date to take advantage

of both of these amazing collections!

Hoopla also has simultaneous use licensing included. So no holds! No waiting! And no fines! Coming soon to all Nassau County Public Library branches. Hoopla is sponsored by *Friends of the Fernandina Beach Library*. Ask your branch library staff member for assistance.

*Know somebody in Nassau County who needs a library card? Send them to the Yulee Branch Library on William Burgess Road to apply.*

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### NOTICE

The "Great Friends Make Great Libraries" program scheduled for March 19 in the new Yulee Library space has been CANCELLED.

Notice will be given when this program is rescheduled.

## Facts about Library Cards in Nassau County

To obtain a library card, you must complete an application and show proof of residency or business ownership in the county.

The most common proof of residency accepted is either a current Florida Drivers License or voter's identification card. Other acceptable forms of identification include:

- Current rent receipt
- Checks with imprinted address
- Personal piece of mail with current postmark

There's no fee for the card but if you lose it, there's a \$2 replacement fee. Lost or stolen cards should be reported to the library immediately for your own protection.

You may use your library card to checkout or return materials at any one of the five library branches:

Bryceville - Callahan - Hilliard  
Fernandina Beach - Yulee

## FOYL Volunteers In Action



RFID Tag

*Thank you to FOYL volunteers Susan Rudov, Debbie Novak and Carla Voisard.*

The *Friends of the Yulee Library* recently sent volunteers to insert Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) tags into the book inventory of the Yulee branch Library. "RFID" is a generic term for technologies that use radio waves to automatically identify individual items. These smart labels will make it possible to do electronic tracking of the inventory, increase security and enable patrons to do self-checkout.

The use of RFID tagging is a county-wide initiative and when tagging is completed, will be in use in all five branches of the Nassau County Public Library. Tag readers will be installed in each branch library, some locations sooner than others. When the equipment installation is completed across all branches, every book in the County Public Library inventory will be tagged and ready for use.

FOYL volunteers will be participating in many interesting activities like this in the coming months. If you have questions or if you're interested in taking part, please send an email to:

[FriendsOfTheYuleeLibrary@gmail.com](mailto:FriendsOfTheYuleeLibrary@gmail.com)



## Meet the Library Partners

### Joyce Frink, member Nassau County Library Board



Joyce Frink

I am a member of the Nassau County Library Advisory Board. The purpose of the Advisory Board is to be a liaison between the Nassau Co. Library, County Commissioners and the community.

The Board consists of members from each area of the county. The Board Officers- chairman, vice-chair and secretary- are elected at the annual meeting in November for a term of 2 years. The total number of members is 7. The total length of service is determined by The County Commissioners and the individual serving.

The Library Advisory Board meets quarterly on the 3rd Tuesday of January, April, July and October. Board members plus the County Library Director and other Library Branch managers attend the meetings. We gather information and consider suggestions for improvements to the Library System of Nassau County.

The Library Board evaluates and makes recommendations but does not have power to commit government policies or financial obligations without Approval of the County Commissioners.

It has been my pleasure to

serve on this board, keeping informed about the education and reading programs for the county. Education and reading skills are very important for the future of an informed community. There are adult programs for all ages and many interactive activities for children.

Yulee Friends of the Library is organizing to meet the needs of a growing population.

*Joyce Frink is also a member of the Friends of the Yulee Library*

## Letter from a Friend by Susan Rudov, Vice President, FOYL

The 18<sup>th</sup> annual Amelia Island Book Festival was held at various venues in Fernandina Beach from February 13 to February 15. This was my first time attending an event held at the festival and I chose the *Author Expo and Readers Extravaganza*, which was held at Fernandina Beach Middle School.

The *Extravaganza* had five breakout sessions. You needed to get tickets to each session you wanted to attend and this was easy to do on line. These sessions were free! Each breakout session featured a different author

who spoke about their work—either a specific book or their overall process. The list was impressive indeed—Lisa Scottoline, Francesa Serritella, Kathy Reichs, Margot Lee Shetterly, Sharon Robinson and Sandra Brown. All of the authors were open, friendly and engaging and obviously delighted to be there. Each session lasted about an hour and the author then moved to the gymnasium where they were available to sign books.

The gym had its own breakout session which featured many authors, most of them local. They were very happy

to speak to you about their books, which were also offered for sale.

As someone who loves to read, I found it interesting to hear the authors speak about their creative process and how they started their careers.

I encourage anyone who has not attended the Book Festival to do so next year. I have already marked my calendar for next year!

*Susan Rudov is an avid reader. She is the Vice President of the Friends of the Yulee Library.*



Susan Rudov

## Closings & Cancellations

Please note the following precautionary measures regarding COVID-19:

The **Yulee Branch Library will be closed** while FSCJ is on spring break (Mar 9-15) and as long as the college remains closed afterwards.

The **"Great Friends Make Great Libraries" program** scheduled for Mar 19 has been cancelled.

The **FOYL Public Meeting** scheduled for Mar 19 has been cancelled.

The **FOYL Book Club** scheduled for Mar 29 has been cancelled.

## FOYL Book Club

by Lynn Steiner

Book Club is off to a great start The FOYL book club had its first meeting on Feb. 23. There were 14 people there including several who had never met each other, but it didn't feel like we were strangers for long as we bonded over our love of reading.

This group meets monthly on the last Sunday of each month at 3:00 pm at the Golf Club at North Hampton. We plan to give all members a chance to pick a book to discuss, and we are interested in reading books from a wide variety of different genres. I look forward to seeing this enthusiastic and interesting group of people

again next time. We invite anybody who is interested to join us.

Book Club selection queue:

Current: *My Year of Meats*

by Ruth Ozeki

Upcoming: *Someone Knows*

by Lisa Scottoline

*Lynn Steiner is the leader of the FOYL Book Club.*



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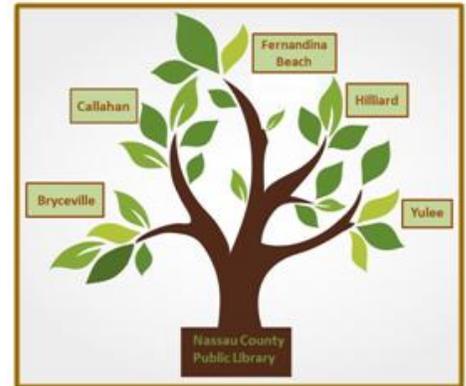
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## Community Question of the Month

"I know what a library is but what is a library system? And what about a branch library – what is that?"

The Nassau County Public Library *system* consists of five *branches* across the county – Bryceville, Callahan, Fernandina Beach, Hilliard and Yulee. Even though each branch has its own location, they are all part of the same bigger system.

All branches are connected through the library system and share its resources and materials. Library patrons have access to all books in the system, not just those on the shelves of the building in their town. The branches are not in competition with each other but work cooperatively. That's why you can return a borrowed book to any



branch, not just to the location where you went to borrow it.

If you see a reference to "library system", that means the entire county public library as a whole; if you see "branch library", that is one specific location in the county.

## About Our Organization

The *Friends of the Yulee Library* is a volunteer non-profit organization that supports the library by helping with fundraising, promoting awareness of library events and sharing information to group members and to the general public. Our goals and projects are designed to help the Yulee branch library grow and to foster a strong, beneficial relationship between the Library and the community of Yulee.

Public meetings of the *Friends of the Yulee Library* are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month from 6pm to 7 pm at

the James S. Page Building  
96135 Nassau Road, Yulee 32097  
(Note location change for March 19)

**2020 Upcoming Public Meetings**

~~Mar. 19 Yulee Library~~

Apr. 9 BOCC Chambers

## A Message from the President

Who could have predicted the events unfolding in March 2020? Libraries are having to prepare for a pandemic like nothing that I have experienced in my lifetime. Many libraries are closing to the public. However, because of today's electronic resources, many of the library resources are still accessible. For those patrons who chose to stay at home, they can still enjoy the library through online resources. The Yulee branch library is temporarily closed, however, the library has online access to books, newspaper, articles, magazines, periodicals, and much more. FOYL will continue to support the Yulee public library and help it to remain accessible to everyone. - **Derryl B. Johnson**

The Yulee Branch Library is located at  
The Betty P. Cook Center at FSCJ  
76346 William Burgess Blvd. Yulee FL 32097  
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