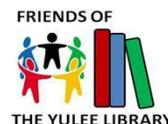


NEWSLETTER



Library News from Dawn Bostwick,

Nassau County Director of
Library Services



Dawn Bostwick

What's new at the Library?
There is always something! And the best way to find out what is happening is to read the Nassau County Public Library's latest edition of Library Connect. This eNewsletter will come automatically to your inbox once per month; special weekly editions during COVID19. The newsletter is full of color and stories about programs, projects, services, successes, FOL projects, etc. You can expect your first issue by the end of April. I am sure you will love it! Encourage your friends to sign up so they can get the latest news. If the Library does not have your email address, you can sign up by requesting your subscription at Libraryinfo@nassaucountyfl.com

or by clicking the link at the bottom of the newsletter.

If you want to view the newsletter, but do not wish to sign up, go the Library's website nassaureads.com and click on the News tab. The latest issue of Library Connect will live on the News column. Features this month include: Hoopla, a new digital

collection; and how to sign up for an online library card. The next issue will feature: *What is a binge box?*

Join us for virtual Time for Tots, Virtual scavenger hunts, book recommendations and more.

Any questions? Call the Library at 904-530-6500.

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Library Newsletter

- Contains news about the Nassau County Public Library system
- Produced by Nassau County Public Library
- Published monthly at month end*
**published weekly during Covid-19 crisis*
- Delivered by email to all who have an email address registered with the Library



FOYL Newsletter

- Contains news about the Friends of the Yulee Library
- Produced by the Friends of the Yulee Library
- Published monthly at mid-month
- Delivered by email attachment to FOYL Members
 - Link emailed to those on FOYL mail group list
 - Link posted on social media for others

Need A Library Card? No Problem!

Nassau County Public Library System is now offering an Online library card! The card is valid for six months, and allows you access to the digital resources on the Library website.

Send a copy of your photo ID, showing you live in the

state of FL, to Libraryinfo@nassaucountyfl.com. A library staff member will email you with your card information.

When the Library re-opens you can pick up your card, or upgrade it for a permanent card.



HOOPLA: My Experience

by Diane Johnson, FOYL Member



Diane Johnson

When the Nassau County Public Library announced that Hoopla was available, I downloaded the app to my smart phone and tablet. I was pleasantly surprised to find that it was one of the easiest, most intuitive programs that I've used. Within a matter of minutes, I installed the app, activated it and began downloading ebooks and audio books.

The titles are current and there's a wide range of choices. I have an interest in African-American items and was pleased to see a broad selection of novels and other publications for both

children and adults in this category. Along with the new, many classics are available as well. This year is the 50th anniversary of one of my old favorites, *Harold and the Purple Crayon* by Crockett Johnson. My two granddaughters and I used the "Read Along" option in Hoopla. They liked watching the pages turn on the screen as we listened to the narration.

I recommend Hoopla as an additional option for accessing books and other materials from your home, especially now during this period of self-isolation brought about by the coronavirus.

Not every library system has an electronic resource like this so I appreciate that Nassau County has made it available for all public library users at no cost.

Diane Johnson is a resident of Yulee who enjoys church, family, friends and libraries.



Streaming movies, music, books and more.

Download the hoopla app or visit hoopladigital.com

What I Miss About the Library

by Julie Cannavino,
Yulee Branch Librarian



Julie Cannavino

One of the things that I miss most about the library building being closed is the interaction with my patrons. I love being able to converse with them and get to know them. I also love all the book recommendations I receive during these conversations. If your self-isolation has left you wondering where to get ideas on new books to read, I have some ideas.

First, go to the library website (www.nassaureads.com) and click on the Online Catalog

link at the top of page. Then type in the name of a book that you really loved and click on the title to bring up the book information. Did you know that underneath the book information section (title, author, branches that have the book, etc.) there are a list of books that are similar to that book as well as authors that tend to write the same way as the author of the book you looked up?

If that was not enough, underneath the similar titles and authors section, you can choose to see more

recommended books by selecting a certain genre or appeal. From this search page, you can also place the book on hold so when the library branches open up again, your book will be waiting for you!

Until then, make sure to check out our electronic books on CloudLibrary and Hoopla, which both can be accessed from the library home page. Stay well, and I hope to be able to talk books with you again soon!

Letter From A Friend

by Carla Voisard, member FOYL

My reason for being a friend of the library is based on the fact that the library has been a friend to me and my family.

I have always been a math and science nerd and the library is where I learned to do research. I learned to base my opinions on facts and research is key to that. It is what I am known for and a big part of who I am.

One of my sisters is an award-winning writer and virtually lived in the library when she was young.

But the major reason is my younger brother. He had

dyslexia at a time when it was seldom diagnosed and not understood. Although my parents sent him to special classes, he did not read beyond a 1st or 2nd grade level.

When old enough he dropped out of school and later married and had a couple of children. He was determined they would do better. When they were still in preschool, he took them to the library. This 6 ft 190-pound man curled up on a bean bag chair in the children's section and started reading to them. He started

with the simplest books and gradually increased his reading skills. By the time his children went to school, he could read a newspaper.

My brother never finished high school and passed at an early age, but his son speaks five languages and recently finished a Master's degree in library science.

The library has been a key player in my family and as a result I will always be a friend of the library.

Carla Voisard is a retired professional, educator and political activist.



Become A FOYL Member

What we do:

The Friends of the Yulee Library (FOYL) is a volunteer, non-profit organization that supports the library by sharing information with the public, promoting awareness of library events, providing volunteers for library events, and raising funds for library programs and services.

A robust FOYL membership is key to our success, not just for strength in numbers but also because membership dues are the primary source of funding the work we do.

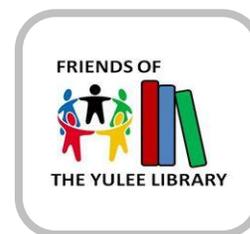
What are the benefits of becoming a member?

Members are first recipients of the latest, most accurate information about the library. They enjoy the satisfaction that comes from helping to establish the Yulee Library as a well-known asset and cultural center in our community. You can meet other book lovers who understand the joy of reading and people who feel strongly about helping the library grow to meet the needs of our rapidly expanding community.

To join the Friends of the Yulee Library, or if you know someone who would like to join, please [click this link](#) to download the membership form. Complete the form and mail it along with your member dues to:

**Friends of the Yulee Library
P.O. Box 472
Yulee, FL 32041-0472**

We look forward to welcoming you as a new member of the Friends of the Yulee Library.



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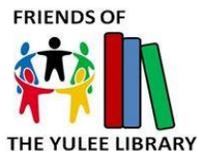
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See us at
nassaureads.com/friends/yulee

Search for "*Friends of the Yulee Library*" on

- Facebook
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A Message from the President Derryl B. Johnson

Derryl B. Johnson

During the self-isolation period brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic, libraries are showing the world that they are not just buildings that shelter books. Their online presence is assisting multitudes who would not otherwise have access to

online resources. The Yulee branch library is addressing digital inequities enhanced by the COVID-19 pandemic. Our patrons should take advantage of these services and continue to support our library. As a result, they will reap the benefits of focused library services that will be more tailored to their needs, especially in times of medical and economic crises (like what we are experiencing right now). Libraries across the nation are responding to this pandemic with new and

innovative ideas to serve the public. The Yulee public library, as well as the other Nassau county public library branches, is responding in like manner with state-of-the-art online options to serve the community even though the physical doors of the libraries are closed. The FOYL applauds the response of the library to the present situation and will continue to support the library and its constituents in any way it can.

— Derryl B. Johnson

About Our Organization...

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

2020 Meeting Dates

All meetings are cancelled until further notice.

The *Friends of the Yulee Library* is a volunteer 501c3 non-profit organization that supports the library by helping with fundraising, promoting awareness of library events and sharing information with group members and 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.

Do you have a question about the *Friends of the Yulee Library* or about this newsletter? Are there any topics that you'd like to see covered here?



Send an email to FriendsOfTheYuleeLibrary@gmail.com and we'll include it in the upcoming editions.

*A library is more than
just a building ... a
library is a cornerstone
of a community.*