

Library Director's Report Marianne Beck Memorial Library For the Month of November 2023

Statistics for November 2023

Digital: 296, KOHA: 3,856 **Total:** 4,152. Items borrowed from other libraries: 495, items loaned to other libraries: 314. There were 110 computer sessions in October. 512 patrons attended programs in November. There were 287 downloads of Ebooks and Audiobooks. 18 residents received new library cards. A total of 2,898 residents visited the library in November.

Sean has sent each councilor an email concerning the County's decision to discontinue paying for the American Library Association which includes the Florida Library Association. I am attaching the section of the minutes that shows the BCC's decision and a statement composed by George Taylor, County Library Director, on what the libraries will lose due to this decision.

Funds collected for November:

Copies/Fax: \$55.95 **Fines:** \$131.39 **Total:** \$187.34

Activities during the month of November:

Morgan came and once again adjusted the timer for the outside lights on the porch. They are now working properly. Public works also ordered new outlet covers for the floor outlets in the main library, as at least one is in quite bad shape.

The FOL Giving Tree is now up in the library. Tell all your neighbors to stop by and choose an ornament that suggests a kindness you can do for a neighbor or town employee for the holidays. EX: Take a Christmas treat to your Howey neighbor.

Beth Flack organized the Christmas tree display on Central Plaza. She approached local businesses and families and asked them to set up a Christmas tree representing their businesses and clubs. Seven residents have done just that. Thank you for your participation.

November was busy with our weekly and monthly programs attended by many local patrons, as referenced in the opening paragraph.

Respectively Submitted,

Tara Hall, Library Director