



## 2014 Fall Update

As always, we eagerly anticipate the arrival of summer and as soon as it comes it's gone! Hopefully, it left you refreshed, renewed, and grateful for your time visiting with family and friends! The Friends had a very busy but productive summer that gave us a renewed focus on the work that yet needs to be done and the challenges that lie before us as all libraries continue to operate under tight budget constraints. We appreciate your past and look forward to your future support of the library in order for us to insure that we continue to provide the level of service that the community not only expects of its library but deserves.

### What's News?

#### Semi-Annual Book Sale a Huge Success

The Friends of Cooper Memorial Library Semi-Annual book sale held on August 1-6 drew over 800 book lovers of all ages who shopped for books, CDs, albums, VHS tapes and puzzles during the Semi-Annual sale beginning on August 1 and continuing through noon on August 6. The event generated over \$6,700.00 which will be used to fund projects such as reading programs for children and teens (Over 11,000 children & teens participated in 68 2014 Spring/Summer programs), Veteran's History Project, Festival of Reading, Adopt-A-Magazine Program and other resources needed to insure that the library keeps abreast of current technology.

The books are donated throughout the year by individuals, clubs, schools and other organizations and are in good shape, in some cases new. Donations are always welcomed and can be dropped off at the circulation desk. The next book sale will be held in February, 2015. Stay tuned for more information on dates and times.

#### Happy Birthday CML

The Cooper Memorial Library celebrated its 5<sup>th</sup> birthday at the current location, 2525 Oakley Seaver Drive, Clermont, on Thursday, August 28, from 9 AM to 5 PM. The Friends of Cooper Memorial Library hosted a day of fun, light refreshments, and giveaways as part of the celebration of this integral part of the South Lake County community. In addition, the Friends hosted a buffet luncheon, held in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor break room, for the CML team as a much deserved thank you for their support of The Friends and the events and activities that we are continually involved. It was a day to celebrate the community of family that embodies CML.

### Bus Tour to Tarpon Springs

The Friends of Cooper Memorial Library sponsored a trip to Tarpon Springs, FL on Thursday, September 18 as a fund raiser.

Participants enjoyed visiting this unique town where they had an opportunity to take a two-hour Sun Line eco cruise narrated by experienced naturalists and marine biologists. They also stopped at the Spongerama Museum to learn of the history of Tarpon Springs, the sponge docks and industry and took time to collect shells at a local beach. Many took advantage of time on their own to explore many Greek shops and restaurants along the canal. A great day was had by all!

This tour is the second in a series of trips sponsored by the Friends (the first tour was to Rawlings State Park and Micanopy) as a fund raiser but more importantly provides a venue for people to develop new friendships, explores many exciting towns/attractions in Florida, and hopefully increase membership. The next tour is planned to the Ringling Museum in Sarasota on January 22, 2015. Please stay tuned for more information.

### Get Ready for the Holidays

If you are the type of person who tries very hard to plan and organize all of the activities that take place during the holidays but wind up feeling stressed and overwhelmed by the amount of things that need to be done within a short time frame, The Friends have come to your rescue! On December 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 9AM-12PM, they will be hosting a free De-Stress event offering guests time to sit down and relax over bagels and cream cheese, hot chocolate and coffee from Panera Bread. Treat yourself to a time out and join us on December 3.

### Adopt-A-Magazine Program

The Adopt-A-Magazine Program enables patrons, businesses and organizations the opportunity to donate subscription renewals or add new magazines/newspapers. Donations may be made in honor or memory of a loved one. Donors may choose to be recognized or remain anonymous. All donations are tax deductible.

Please stop by the Library Front Desk to obtain an order form and listing of magazines/newspapers currently available for adoption.

### Korean War Veteran's Project

The Veteran's History Project Board of The Cooper Memorial Library will be interviewing Korean War veterans from Clermont, Groveland, Mascotte, Minneola and Montverde. These interviews will be included in the "Collection of Memoirs, Volume 4, Korean War Veterans Part 2."

Interviews are currently being held in Clermont at the Cooper Memorial Library, 2525 Oakley Seaver Dr., and the Kings Ridge Clubhouse, Kings Ridge Blvd. If you are interested in participating in this project, please call Audrey Jackson-Morgan on 352-536-9954, at your earliest convenience, to set up your appointment or to answer any questions you may have. Interviewers and proof readers are also asked to join the group.

### Used Books for Sale

Just a reminder to some and news to others that used books are shelved outside of the Children's Library at Cooper Memorial. There is an assortment of books in both paperback and hard bound editions including

romance, mystery, science fiction, fiction, non-fiction, biographies, autobiographies, children's books, and videos for both children and adults.

We ask only that you leave a donation for your selection of books and/or videos in the mail box which is located on the bookshelf. Sponsored by The Friends of the Cooper Memorial Library, donations are used to fund programs for children, teen, adults, and projects for the library.

Thanks, in advance, for your contributions!

### The Cooper Memorial Book Club

The Book Club invites you to read with them on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month in Room 221 (Second Floor) from 5PM-7PM. Come join the discussion. Book selections for the remainder of 2014 are as follows:

October – *Unbroken*

November – *The Secret Keeper*

### How to become a Friend

Now that you know what we've been up to, we'd like to extend to you a special invitation to join The Friends of Cooper Memorial Library. Our meetings are held the fourth Monday of each month. We begin with a social time from 5:00 PM to 5:30 PM. The meetings begin promptly at 5:30 PM and end at 6:30 PM. During the meetings we plan projects, events, and activities to raise extra funds for our library. The 2014 regular membership fee is \$15, and the student fee is \$2.