



Friends of Cooper Memorial Library

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Holidays are upon us

Whether you celebrate Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Boxing Day or the Winter Solstice, December is the month for giving, receiving, eating and drinking with family and friends. But we so frequently get caught up in all the hustle and bustle that we forget to take care of ourselves during the chaos. It is very important to take time to reconnect with our inner self, to refocus on the meaning of the holidays and the purpose of our lives.

Daily meditation may significantly help you de-stress. No

equipment is needed.

Simply sit on a comfortable chair or cushion, close your eyes and concentrate on your breathing. Follow your breath in your mind. If your thoughts wander, just start over. Just five minutes a day may make a significant difference in how you handle the stress of the season.

The Friends of Cooper Memorial Library wish you and yours a pleasant holiday season and a happy, prosperous 2019.

February Book Sale

The first 2019 book sale begins February

22nd and runs through noon on the 26th. If you have books, DVDs, CDs, puzzles, or other games that you would like to donate for the sale, just knock on the library "staff" door just beyond the outside book return and someone will take your donations. We are also in need of medium sized boxes (printer paper boxes are especially good) for sorting books.

The semi-annual book sales are our most productive fundraisers so please help us continue our support of multiple programs and events.



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Meet Friends Membership Chair, Dor Remsen

Originally from north central Pennsylvania, Dor worked as a writer and editor for the Alumni Association as well as Advancement researcher at Bloomsburg University. She was also a member of the Friends of the Bloomsburg University Library.

Six years ago, Dor relocated to Florida initially living in an area served by the Orange County Library System. Two years later, she moved to Clermont. Becoming a member of the Friends

of Cooper Memorial Library was very quick. "It only took the experience of one Book Sale and I knew I wanted to be part!" of the organization. Dor especially appreciated the "manageable size" of the CML group. For four years, Dor has sorted books on a weekly basis and has been the front lobby cashier for the semi-annual book sales. Approximately two years ago, she became Membership Chair.

Obviously, Dor loves books but she is also a gardener and is currently relearning gardening ala Florida. She has found that

"...zone 9B is quite different from Pennsylvania zone 6 to be sure!"

Come meet Dor and other members at the general meetings held the 4th Monday of every month at the Cooper Memorial Library, 2525 Oakley Seaver Dr., Clermont, FL. Come at 5 pm for "social time" and the meeting begins at 5:30 pm. If you choose to join, annual dues are only 20 dollars. A membership "information" flyer with membership application is available at the library.



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Benefits FOCML

The Amazon Smile Program provides eligible charitable organizations with a percentage of sales. FOCML is a member of this program. Amazon customers access the program by typing in "smile.Amazon.com" on their computer. Before shopping, select "Friends of Cooper Memorial Library" from the list of charitable organizations. As you shop, information is stored and donations from products marked "eligible" are credited

to the FOCML account. Donations from Amazon Smile are used for current and future projects, programs and activities that align with goals of the Friends of Cooper Memorial Library.

Dates to Remember

February 22-26, 2019

Semi-Annual Book Sale

Book Club Meetings

December 18, 2018

Let's Talk Books (no assigned book)

January 15, 2019

The Other Einstein by Marie Benedict

February 19, 2019

Pachinko by Min Jin Lee

Opera showings

December 10, 2018

Tchaikovsky: *The Nutcracker* ballet

January 7, 2019

Double Bill: Mascagni/
Leoncavallo
Rusticana/Pagliacci

February 18, 2019

Georges Bizet: *Carmen*