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W.T. BLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

Community Room, W.T. Bland Public Library, 1995 N. Baker Street, Mount Dora, FL 32757
June 8, 2026 at 5:00 PM

AGENDA

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Approval of Minutes

- A. May 11, 2026 Library Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

IV. Public Comments

V. Presentations

- A. 2026-27 Library Capital Improvement Projects

VI. Library Director's Report

VII. Action Items

VIII. Discussion Items

- A. Review of Collection Items
- B. Lake County Library System April 2026 Stats

IX. Future Meeting Dates

X. Adjournment

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W. T. BLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
W.T. Bland Public Library, 1995 N. Donnelly Street, Mount Dora, FL 32757
Monday, May 11, 2026 - 5:00 p.m.

MINUTES

PRESENT: Marcia Ford (Vice-chair), Laura Busch, Susan Myers, Dawn Murphy,
Jennifer Thompson

ABSENT: Beth Sharpe (Chair) and Amber Perretti

CITY STAFF: Cathy Lunday-Library Director, Sarah Feller-Deputy Director and LaJun
Garry-Administrative Coordinator

OTHERS PRESENT: None

I. Call to Order

Ms. Ford (Vice-chair) called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

II. Roll Call

III. Approval of Minutes for April 13, 2026

MOTION by Ms. Busch SECONDED by Ms. Myers to approve minutes from April 13, 2026.

AYE: Ford, Busch, Myers, Murphy, Thompson

NAY: None

MOTIONED CARRIED 5-0

IV. Public Comment

V. Presentations

A. Lake County Library System March 2026 Statistics

Ms. Feller gave an analysis of the Lake County Library System February and March

2026 Statistics and Mount Dora version for monthly statistics of LCLS breakdown for February and March 2026.

B. Lake County Library System 2025 Wrap-Up

Ms. Feller gave a brief synopsis of LCLS 2025 Wrap-Up:

- ❖ Library Advisory Board Calendar
- ❖ Items Circulated – 1,347,364 (Mount Dora made up approximately 18% of total).
- ❖ Most Circulated Books – Adult Fiction; *Strangers in Time* by David Baldacci, *Paranoia* and *25 Alive* by James Patterson, *Nobody's Fool* by Harlan Coben, *Battle Mountain* by C.J. Box. Youth Fiction; *Dog Man*, *Big Jim Begins*, *The Scarlet Shedder*, *For Whom the Ball Rolls* and *Unleashed* by author Dave Pilkey.
- ❖ New patrons – 17,794 (Question about percentage of expired patrons, which are 37% of all patrons).
- ❖ Popular Programs – 8,300 with 181k attendees (Mount Dora 17% of all events and 21% attendance)
- ❖ Social Marketing – Chart comparing 2025 social media stats to 2024 increased substantially in every aspect.
- ❖ Summer Reading Program 2026 – Plant a Seed, Read

VI. Library Director's Report

Ms. Lunday shared:

- Dinosaur exhibit has shipped. Reviewed informational Dinosaur Exhibit brochure.
- Simpson Farmhouse - Ms. Feller has initiated a purchase order for the floors to be restored in the month of June by Art Hill of Historical Elements LLC.
- Archives – Ms. Lunday and Archivist Erin Creel met with Mr. John Pease, President of Trust & Investments at the First National Bank of Mount Dora to review personal papers and photographs from W.T. Bland Family estate. With consent from an heir of the family, the scanned documents and photos will be added to Archives as collections of Bland Early Years.
- Staff vacancy in Children's library.
- Senate Bill 1134 will become effective January 2027.

VII. Action items

None

VIII. Discussion Items

A. City of Mount Dora Library Impact Fee Application

Ms. Lunday shared Lake County Attorney's office issued an opinion that the City of Mount Dora's Library Impact Fee Application for \$50,000, for the engineering plans for the Simpson Farmhouse Expansion project in February 2026 is an allowable project. The next step in this process will be for the Lake County library directors to review all the applications and make recommendations to Lake County library administrators. After this step, the Lake County Library Advisory Board will vote on whether they recommend funding of each of the applications. Discussion ensued.

B. Review of Collection Item

Deputy Director Ms. Feller shared graphic novel *Virginia Woolf Orlando* by author Susanne Kuhlendahl. Discussion ensued.

IX. **Future Meeting Date**

1. June 8, 2026 @ 5:00pm

X. **Adjournment**

MOTION by Ms. Thompson SECONDED by Ms. Murphy to adjourn the May 11, 2026 meeting.

AYE: Ford, Busch, Myers, Murphy, Thompson

NAY: None

MOTIONED CARRIED 5-0

Meeting adjourned.

Beth Sharpe, Chair

Cathy Lunday, Director

Marcia Ford, Vice-chair

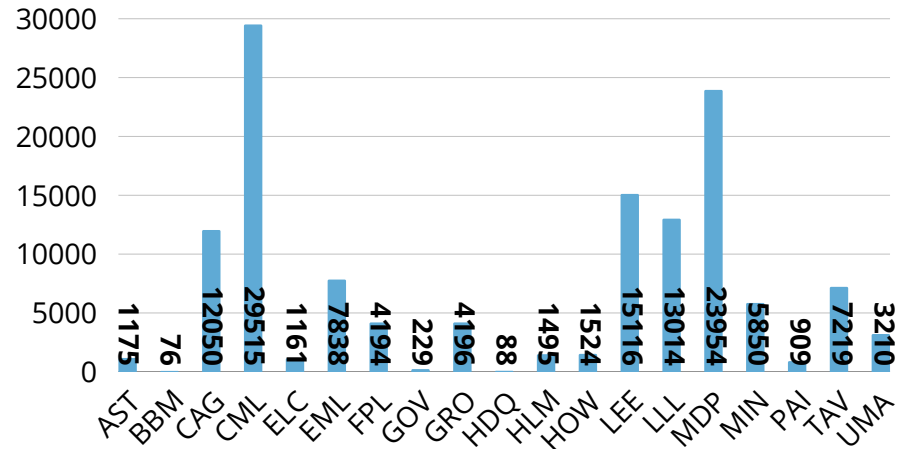
April 2026 Stats



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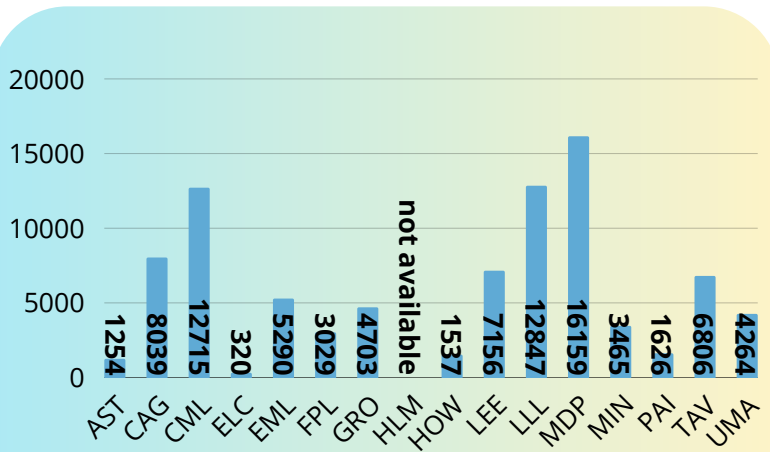
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- CAG** - Cagan Crossings Library (Four Corners)
- CML** - Cooper Memorial Library (Clermont)
- ELC** - East Lake Mini Library (Sorrento)
- EML** - Eustis Memorial Library
- FPL** - Fruitland Park Library
- GOV** - Government/County Employees
- GRO** - Marion Baysinger Memorial Library (Groveland)
- HDQ** - Library Headquarters
- HLM** - Helen Lehmann Memorial Library (Montverde)
- HOW** - Marianne Beck Memorial Library (Howey-in-the-Hills)
- LEE** - Leesburg Public Library
- LLL** - Lady Lake Public Library
- MDP** - W.T. Bland Public Library (Mount Dora)
- MIN** - Minneola Schoolhouse Library
- PAI** - Paisley Branch Library
- TAV** - Tavares Public Library
- UMA** - Umatilla Public Library

Circulation



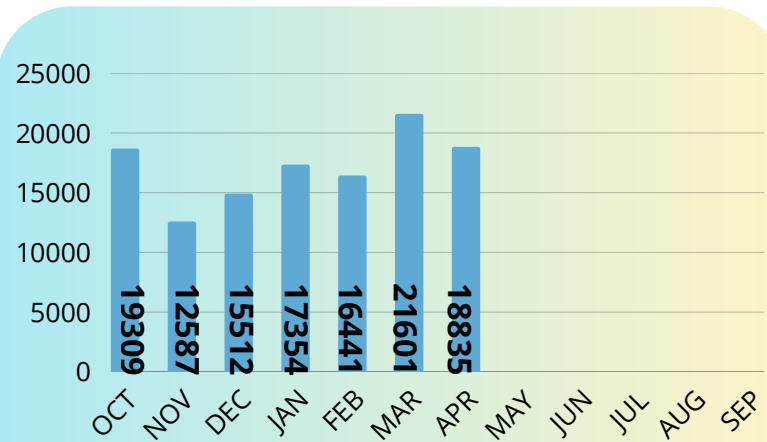
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Door Counts



Total: 89,210

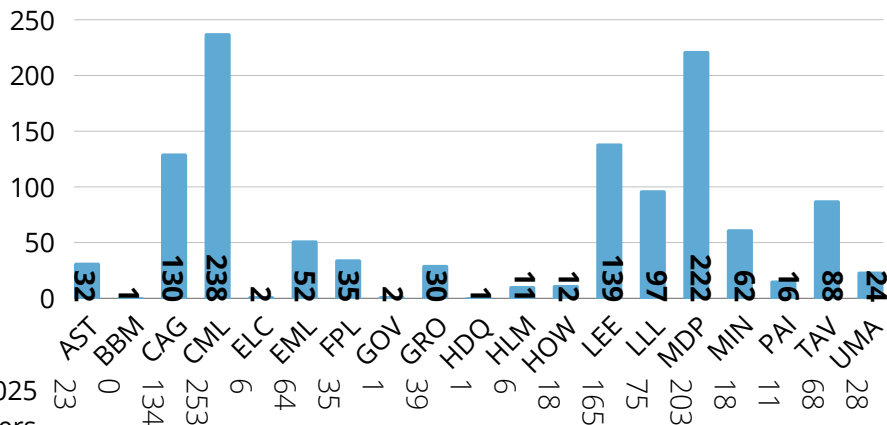
Program Attendance



LCLS FY '26 Attendance Total: 121,639

New Cardholders

● New Cardholders



Total: 1,194



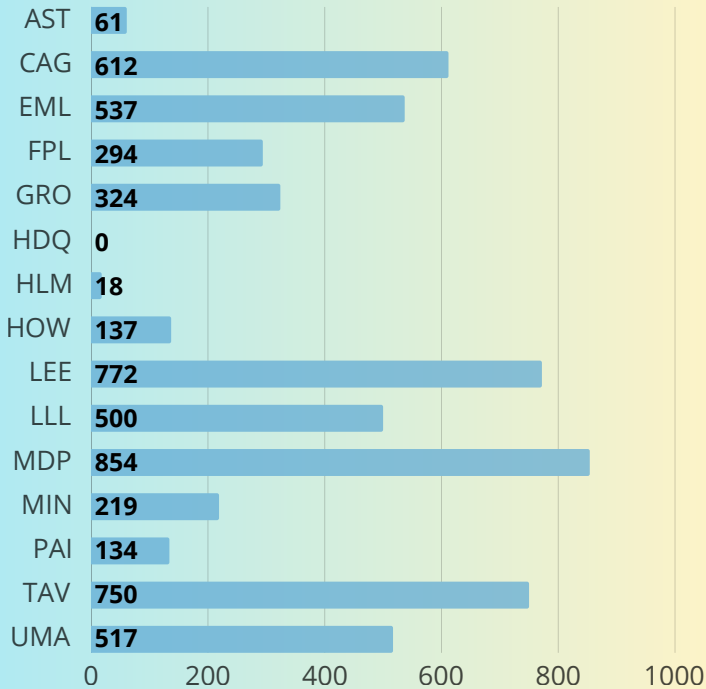
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Numbers



Computer Sessions



● Computer Sessions



Total Computer Sessions: 5,729

Catalog Analytics

Total Views: **232,631**

New Adult Fiction Link: **2,595**

New DVDs Link: **3,051**

Welcome Page Suggestions: **54**

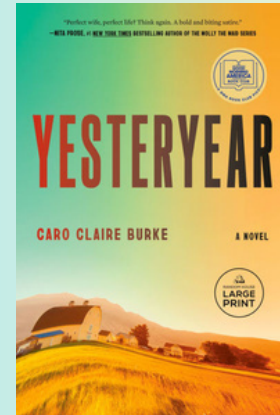
Readalikes Links: **612**

Most used organic search terms

Title: **Shelter & Yesteryear**

Author: **Jake Tapper & James Patterson**

Term: **"DC Comics" & "Large Print Books"**



Beanstack



April Stats:

44 New Registrants

22,771 Minutes Read

16 Activities Completed

6 Activity Badges Completed

4,102 Books Logged

943 Logged Days

86 Earned Rewards



E-Blasts

Email	Unique Open Rate	Clicks
New Cardholder Welcome	63.38%	1872
New Cardholder What's New	52.68%	1141
New Cardholder Intro to eBooks	50.33 %	489
New Cardholder Digital Library	45.63%	451
LCLS Coming Soon May	19.83%	211

