



Friends of the Lantana Public Library

# The Bugle

"We blow the library's horn"

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## Annual Holiday Concert—December 15

Have your social secretary mark your calendar for the Friends Annual Holiday Concert at the Library on Thursday, December 15 at 7 P.M. Mike Bayer and his colleagues of the Brass Ensemble of the Symphonic Band of the Palm Beaches will be here to lead us in a medley of carols. The Friends will provide its famous spread of shrimp, dips, salads, and cheeses. We invite you to come and bring your friends for an evening of holiday cheer. All are welcome.

### Our Book Discussion Group is Back

After all too many years the Library's once vibrant book discussion group has returned. Led by Friends President Teresa Wilhelm our new Group kicked off on October 19 with a discussion of Sara Gruen's Water for Elephants. November's read was The Uncommon Reader, by Alan Bennett. There's still time for you to join in talking about our January, February and March books while enjoying some tea and cookies. January's book is The Barefoot Mailman, Theodore Pratt's Florida classic set here on Hypoluxo Island. Mike Bornstein, our Town Manager and today's Barefoot Mailman (he has twice retraced on foot the route along the beach from here to Miami), will be participating in the discussion on January 18 at 2 p.m. The Group's full schedule for 2011/2012 appears on the last page of this newsletter. The Library has multiple copies of the three upcoming reads.

### A Few Fax Facts

Everybody needs to send a fax at some point and your Library is here to help, at no charge. It's FREE. Bring the 10 page or less document you want faxed within the U.S. to our counter and we'll fax it while you wait. More than 3 and we'll send them as staff have time in the next 24 hours. We usually provide next day service.

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Hours: Mon-Thursday, 10:00 am—8:00 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, 10:00 am-6 pm  
Saturday and Sunday—Closed



### Our Garden's Growing

Thanks to a generous grant from the Friends and many gifts from individuals who read about our Library Garden project in the last [Bugle](#), the Library's grounds took on a more colorful look from early 2011. We started out with cannas (they look like the picture above), nasturtiums, and caladiums in green pots. Individual donors have added bright bougainvillea, mandevilleas, allamandas, and some great small palm trees, most of which are helping 'paint' our chain link fence to transform it from its prior "Fort Apache, the Bronx" look to an attractive trellis.

The Library and its Friends thank the following plant donors:

Eileen Bayer	Eleanor & Bob Little
Judy Black & Richard Schlossberg	Katrina Patchett
Cathy Burns	Grace Scarberry
Nancy & Lou Canter	Terry & Lissette Shahrabani
Eileen Dario	Jeanette Teufel
E. Anne Johnson	Teresa Wilhelm

### Casuarinas Give Library Composter

South Florida gardening requires a constant source of new soil to enrich our sandy growing medium. No sooner did we begin planting our potted garden than we realized our pots would need ample "refreshments" if our flowers were to flourish. Compost is the answer. Thanks to the Casuarina Woman's Club's generous gift earlier this year of a brand new compost tumbler (housed in the Library's drive through on the Post Office side) we're now making our own fertilizer.

You can help. We need raw materials for our rotating processor. Bring us (in a waterproof container, please) your coffee grounds, tea bags, leftover lettuce and other salad greens, but please don't bring us meat or fish or other animal bits or waste. Soon we'll need a new supply of freshly cut grass and leaves. If you would like to bring leaves or grass please call Library Director Sid Patchett (540-5740) first. We have no place to store extra fodder for the composter so big lots of grass or leaves need advance planning.