It’s a great opportunity to not only grab great reading material for yourself, but the timing is perfect for shopping for holiday gifts for others. There are always gorgeous cocktail table books for only $8, plus a Collector’s Corner with surprise treasures. Hardcover books are $2, paperbacks $1, children’s books 50-cents, DVDs, CDs and audio books for $1, magazines for 10-cents to 50-cents, records, cassettes and videos for 50-cents.

Friday, November 30TH, from 6 pm to 8 pm, there will be a preview sale for members of the Friends. You can join the Friends that night for $10 and immediately participate. The sale opens free to the public Saturday, December 1ST from 10 am to 4 pm, and Sunday, December 2ND from 1 pm to 4:30 pm.

Co-chairs of the Book Sale are Barbara Stewart and Sonja Davis
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"Uplifting Our Community"

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North Miami, FL, 33161
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Website: www.northmiamifl.gov/departments/library

Hours
Monday-Thursday: 11:30 am to 8 pm
(computers close at 7:30 pm)
Friday-Saturday: 9:30 am to 5 pm
(computers close at 4:30 pm)
Sunday: Closed

The library offers free Wifi to the public. Public access computers are available on a first-come, first-served basis for all library card holders.

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Library Cards
Library cards are free to North Miami residents and City employees regardless of residency. Reciprocal borrowing privileges are available for residents of Hialeah, North Miami Beach and the Miami-Dade Public Library System Taxing District at no charge. There is a charge for residents of Bal Harbour, Miami Shores, Surfside and out-of-the-area residents who wish to apply for a library card.

All applicants must be present when application is completed. Anyone under 18 years of age must have parental authorization to obtain a card.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fall has ushered in a new school year and activities at the North Miami Library continue to increase; E. May Avil would be very proud of our progress! Read more about E. May Avil in this edition of our newsletter. The Friends of the North Miami Library are also active, celebrating 35 years of service with a dinner and wonderful speaker last month.

Unfortunately, we lost one of our founding members recently; Joan Quinn passed away at 93. This year’s book sale will not be the same without her; Friends like Joan have kept our group strong.

Remember LIBRARIES=STRONG COMMUNITIES! Make sure your North Miami City Council member knows how much you value the Library and staff. Stop by and experience the vitality yourself!

Inez Couch,
PRESIDENT
THE FRIENDS OF THE NORTH MIAMI PUBLIC LIBRARY
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Who Was E. MAY AVIL?

NAMING THE LIBRARY FOR E. MAY AVIL


The first library services to area residents were offered in 1932, when the Biscayne Park Women’s Club established a library in the City Hall of the town of North Miami.

Women’s Club member E. May Avil, who eventually served 37 years as City Clerk for the Town of North Miami, was put in charge of overseeing the library operation.

World War II brought about the close of the library as unessential to the war effort. However, the North Miami Community Library was reopened in September 1945, in larger quarters at the City Hall and, again, under the supervision of E. May Avil. Funding came largely from donations and membership fees.

In 1970 the City Council voted unanimously to rename the Library as the E. May Avil North Miami Public Library.
**BookWorms is the official publication of the FRIENDS OF THE NORTH MIAMI PUBLIC LIBRARY**

The newsletter was the idea of Founder Sharon Sbrissa, who budgeted funds from the Friends’ endowment fund which she administers. At her request, it was created in 2013 by its editor Susan Neuman, and was named by John Criscuolo, Susan’s late husband, one of the few male members of the Friends.

We thought it appropriate at its five-year anniversary to get a little feedback from the community. Please tell us your opinions and share suggestions for future BookWorms.

You may respond by dropping off the survey at the library or by doing the survey electronically here:

WWW.SURVEYMONKEY.COM/R/PNB5MFS

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1. How often have you read “The Bookworms,” the newsletter published by the Friends of the North Miami Public Library?
   - Every quarterly edition for the last 5 years
   - Occasionally when I can get one
   - Never saw one

2. Do you usually read the Bookworms newsletter in print or electronic format?
   - Print format
   - Electronic format
   - Both print and electronic formats

3. Where Do You Usually Obtain Your Copy of the BookWorms?

4. What suggestions for content would you like to see in the future issues?

5. Would you be interested in becoming a member of the Friends & volunteering at the North Miami Public Library?
   - Yes
   - No

6. How often do you or your family members use the North Miami Public Library?
   - 1 to 5 times a week
   - 1 to 4 times a month
   - 1 to 6 times a year
   - More than 6 times a year
   - Never have been to the North Miami Public Library

7. Tell us a little bit about yourself: What is your age?
   - Under 18
   - 18 to 35
   - 36 to 59
   - 60 and over

8. Tell us a little bit about yourself: What is your gender?
   - Female
   - Male

9. What is your preferred language for reading
   - English
   - Spanish
   - Creole
   - Other (please specify)

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wish list

Here are a few things on the Friends’ Wish List to enhance the North Miami Public Library for its patrons. If you care to make a donation to the Friends and wish for your funds to go to a specific project please indicate on your check. Thank you.

- New Street Signage in front of library on NE 8th Avenue.
- Historical Wing addition to the Library to house all photographs and documents of historical significance.
- Portable Sound System
- TV for Library Lobby to run the city channel continuously.

THANK YOU!

The Friends recognize and thank realtor Annie Montgomery and John Stembridge of Stembridge Furniture for their recent generous donations. Stembridge Furniture has recently moved to a new location at 849 N.E. 125 St., North Miami, just a few blocks east of their long-time location. Both donations will be used to underwrite supplies for the new Teenagers’ programs at the library such as a crafts class and a cooking class.

Remember: Friends of the North Miami Public Library is an IRS recognized 501(c)(3) not for profit organization. Donors will receive a confirmation letter for tax purposes.
Calling All Donors

Help our organization uplift the North Miami community by sending us a donation to further expand our mission.

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Advocate for the North Miami Public Library patrons, staff, volunteers, and citizens by raising funds to purchase reading materials, equipment, supplies, refreshments, field trips, professional services, and free to the public programs that enhance intergenerational literacy.
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Merry Christmas / Happy Kwanzaa

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