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ORANGE COUNTY INVITES PUBLIC TO TAKE PART IN WORLD BOOK NIGHT

ORANGE COUNTY, NC (December 11, 2013)—Orange County Public Library (OCPL) invites the community to participate in the 2014 World Book Night.

Each year on April 23, tens of thousands of people—called Book Givers—go into their communities to distribute more than 500,000 free paperbacks to light and non-readers.

World Book Night, an annual celebration dedicated to spreading the love of reading, person-to-person, also seeks to touch the lives of others through the sharing of stories. Read more about the history of World Book Night at www.us.worldbooknight.org/

Be a Book Giver

Book Givers receive 20 free paperback copies of one World Book Night title (book list is available at www.us.worldbooknight.org/books/2014), which is not too many to carry, but enough to share with a good number of potential new readers.

The books will be sent to the pick-up site of the Book Giver's choice, including the OCPL Main Library in Hillsborough. On April 23, 2014, Book Givers seek out light or non-readers, especially people who don't regularly read and/or people who don't normally have access to printed books, to be book recipients.

To become a Book Giver, please complete World Book Night's Book Giver Application by January 5, 2014. The form is available at www.us.worldbooknight.org/how-do-i-get-involved

Why is Orange County Public Library Promoting World Book Night?

To help bring World Book Night into Orange County, the OCPL Main Library is participating as an area distribution site. The library will accept delivery of boxes of books from World Book Night for local Book Givers to pick up before the big night. The library will also hold a reception for area Book Givers the week before World Book Night.

The mission of World Book Night - to spread the love of reading - is one that is embraced by libraries all over the world. Promoting reading and lifelong learning has always been a priority inside libraries, and now World Book Night is helping to promote this goal beyond the walls of the library building and into the wider community.

The OCPL Main Library is located at 137 W. Margaret Lane in downtown Hillsborough. Free parking is available in the Eno River Parking Deck behind the library. Visit the library online at www.orangecountync.gov/library