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North Sarasota Library celebrates fifth anniversary

The Friends of North Sarasota Library will be joined by county and city officials in hosting a celebration recognizing the fifth anniversary of the North Sarasota Library, 2801 Newtown Blvd., Sarasota at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 31, 2009.

The North Sarasota Library first opened its doors on Oct. 30, 2004 and has welcomed more than a half million visitors since then. Designed and built with energy saving features and recycled materials, the library has become a vital part of the Newtown community. Featuring public art, meeting spaces, a youth program room, computers and a reading garden, the North Sarasota Library is a frequent destination for students and adults looking to expand their learning experience.

County Commissioner Carolyn Mason, City of Sarasota Commissioner Fred Atkins and Dr. Cheryl Smith, President of the Friends of the Library will offer comments on the occasion. Additional activities will include the unveiling of two new pieces of art, music, lunch, a dance performance, children's art activities, a book for each youngster, a Friends' Bookstore sale and tours of the library.

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