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Library Hours:

Monday: 10-8
Tuesday: 10-8
Wednesday: 10-8
Thursday: 10-8
Friday: 10-6
Saturday: 10-5
Sunday: 1-5
(Mid-October - April)

Board Meetings:

Friends of the Boyden Library monthly Board Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month in the Fuller Meeting Room at the Library at 7:30 PM. There is no meeting in July & August. All are welcome to attend.

Board Members:

Dave Crimmins, President
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Letter from the President

Dear FRIENDS:

Happy New Year to one and all.

I hope that everyone had a wonderful Holiday Season. I first want to thank our dedicated “friends” who have helped us through the payment of their membership dues, or who attended one of our semi-annual book sales, or frequented our new on-going book shop, or donated used books for us to “re-purpose”. Without your help we would not have been able to support the many children and adult programs this past year. A big thank-you to you all!!!!

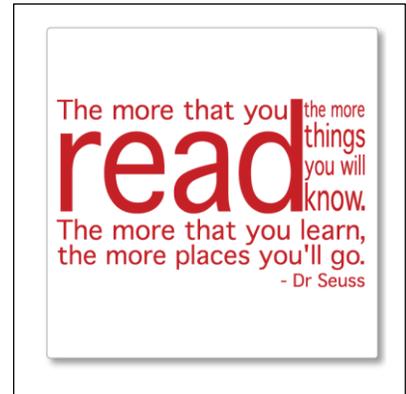
I also want to shout out another HUGE thank you to all those volunteers who helped out at the book sales, sorting books throughout the year and manning our Founder’s Day booth. It takes many, many volunteer hours to accomplish these projects.

Last but not least a special thank you to the members of the Friends Board who literally spend hundreds of hours during the year making it possible for us to sponsor various programs at the library. To this end we work closely with Manny Leite, the Library Director and Margi Rossetti and Kathy Bell-Harney, the supervisors of the Children’s and Adult areas to sponsor programs they feel would be most popular with all segments of the Foxborough community.

I do want to encourage all our patrons to renew or join the “FRIENDS” of the library. For as little as \$20 your annual membership donation will help to continue the wonderful programming at the library. We’ve enclosed a membership envelope with this newsletter and additional information in the newsletter.

Best wishes for a happy, healthy and prosperous 2017!!

Dave Crimmins



From the Director – Manny Leite

So why the heck did I want to be a librarian?

Good question. There have been times over the years I have asked myself the same thing. Is it the glamour? (Yea, we librarians are rock stars!) Is it the huge financial rewards we reap? (Sure, that's why I hang out with Tom Brady and Bono on the weekends.) Is it the sheer prestige the job offers? (I don't see any librarians making the front cover of Time magazine.) So what is it?

Yea, being a librarian hasn't gotten me on TMZ (and maybe that's a good thing) but it has been the most rewarding professional decision I ever made. It has allowed me to:

- instill the love of reading in children and teens
- provide services for free to those who cannot afford them elsewhere
- create partnerships that are mutually beneficial to the community
- offer programs for all ages that stimulate and educate
- develop opportunities for the business community
- level the playing field between the haves and have-nots
- meet wonderful people

Now all that may sound a bit hokey but if you found your working niche (teacher, cop, businessman, Pastor, computer tech, artist to name a few) you get what I'm talking about. It's not a job, it's your passion. It's what helps you get up in the morning and what keeps you going late at night. It's what makes it all worthwhile.

Being a librarian has been a very fulfilling endeavor. It makes me feel good. My only regret is that I didn't do it sooner.



Friends of Boyden Library – Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Friends of Boyden Library Foundation will be held on February 1, 2107 in the Fuller Room at the Boyden Library at 10 Bird Street, Foxborough, MA at 7:30 pm. At that meeting along with regular Board business we will have elections for positions on the Board of Directors. All are welcome to attend. If you have paid your annual dues you are eligible to vote.



2017 Friends Membership Drive

The Friends of Boyden Library are beginning their 2017 membership drive and are asking you to consider becoming a “FRIEND” for as little as \$20.00. These funds enable the Friends to provide and support many multi-generational activities at the library including the purchase of e-books, rental books, children’s programs as well as sponsoring the expanded adult program that includes the very successful author, lecture and music series.

Joining or renewing your membership is as easy as going to www.boydenlibrary.org and clicking the Friends link on the right hand side. If you prefer to pay in person there are also membership envelopes at the circulation desks at the library.

Please note that becoming a “FRIEND” does not obligate you in any way other than your financial support; however, if you would also like to volunteer your time and talents please reach out to them at boydenfriends@yahoo.com. As an incentive to join the Friends, they are going to reserve a special preview on the first night of each of their upcoming book sales for those “FRIENDS” with paid memberships.

As always, we thank you for your help. Your much-needed support is invaluable!!! See page 5 for more details

TO OUR “LIFETIME” MEMBERS

As a Lifetime member of the Friends of Boyden Library, you know the power that a book, as well as a library, can have on your life and the life of a community. The following quote from author Henry Miller embodies what our Friend’s group is all about “A book is not only a friend, it makes friends for you.”

Back in 2011, the Board of the Friends of Boyden Library voted to change our membership structure, including the elimination of the Lifetime category. To continue our mission of providing financial support to the library through programs and materials as well as sustain the financial health of the organization we, like many other non-profit groups, had to change our membership to an “annual dues” basis.

At that time we "grandfathered" our Lifetime members, with the hope they would continue to support the Friends through an annual gift or participation on the Friends Board or a Friends Committee. We are reaching out to you today, to ask you to support the Friends on an annual basis by renewing your annual membership.

We are delighted to have so many dedicated Lifetime friends, but we need your help to keep the library thriving. Many of our Lifetime friends have not paid any dues or made a donation to the Friends in a number of years.

The Friends sponsor a broad range of commitments to the library such as the author and music series, children's programs, rental books, CDs, DVDs, Playaways, e-books, and museum passes.

One area that also requires our attention is to reengage our membership in the Friends. We want to hear from you about your ideas on programming or anything you’d like to see undertaken at the Library.

Come in and see us!

You can reach us by e-mail, at boydenlibraryfriends@yahoo.com, by mail, or by attending our monthly meetings on the first Wednesday of the month. We’d love to hear from you! More information is available on the Friends web page online at www.boydenlibrary.org or in our Newsletter.

Thank you for your support to the Friends and the Boyden Library throughout the years. The Friends have always appreciated your support and look forward to counting on you!

From the Children's Room

Margi Rossetti

Happy New Year from the Boyden Library Children's Department! We hope everyone is off to a healthy and happy start to 2017. This winter the Children's Department will feature something old made new again. The pastel painting "Girl Reading to her Kitten" will once again hang in the Children's Department. The pastel was created by Barbara Planton, who served as Boyden Library's first Children's Librarian from 1957-1988. In addition to her professional career as a librarian, Barbara was also a trained artist who worked in a variety of media. She presented this charming painting to the Boyden Library in 1991 in commemoration of Boyden's 25th anniversary of public library service at our Bird Street location. It hung in the Children's Department until 2011 when the library closed for the renovation and expansion of the building.

In October of 2016, the Children's Library was presented with a gift from Stan and Barbara Planton's son and daughter-in-law. Stanley and Margaret Planton wished to honor the love that their parents had for the library. Their gift would provide for the professional re-matting and framing of the piece. Now the painting is refreshed and ready to be enjoyed by library visitors for years to come.

It's time for the Boston Bruins PJ Drive and the Boyden Library is happy to become part of this effort which will benefit local children in need across the Commonwealth through the Massachusetts Department of Children and Families and Cradles to Crayons. You can make a difference by bringing in new pajama donations to the Boyden Library anytime through March 15. The pajamas should be appropriate for babies, children, or teens. A donation box will be provided at the main entrance. Thank you for your help.

"Thumbs Up to Problem Solving" will be held during February vacation week on Tuesday, February 21 at 1:00 p.m. Join Early Childhood Support Specialist, Carol Carver, from Self Help Incorporated for a free Parent/Child program where children will learn about social skills and self-discipline through storytelling, songs, gross motor movement, art, and puppets. Topics to be introduced include, feelings, how to use our words/signs to solve problems, cooperation, and working together. For children ages 3-5 and their grown-ups. Register at www.boydenlibrary.org (click on Events Calendar) beginning February 7. The program will take place in the Story & Craft Room and is offered free of charge.

Also on February 21 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. R-Cade Entertainment will provide a fun day of interactive game play where shoulder-to-shoulder button smashing chaos is the norm. Featuring favorite consoles from yesterday, including NES, SNES and Sega Genesis, as well as Xbox and Wii. There is no charge to attend. This program is geared toward junior high and high school age groups and will take place in the Community Meeting Room.

Story Time and Mother Goose on the Loose will be entering the fourth session during the week of February 20. Mother Goose on the Loose for infants-age 3 takes place each Tuesday and Thursday at 11:00 a.m. and features stories, interactive rhymes, musical and movement activities, and more. Children must be attended by an adult who will help direct children through the activities. Story Time for children who are ages 3-6 is held at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday. Longer stories, music, rhymes, thinking games and other interactive activities make-up the Story Time program.

Please note that Family Evening Story Times will start up again during this session. For ages 3-6, this group meets on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Kids are welcome to wear p.j.s and bring a stuffed animal pal.

All story programs are offered free of charge and meet in the Story and Craft Room. Registration is not required. Bring your library card so that books can be checked out afterward.

To learn more about what's happening at the library, visit www.boydenlibrary.org and click on "Events Calendar."

DVD Rentals at the Library! Check out these new releases!



Return your 2017 Friends of Boyden Library Memberships to this box at the circular desk on the ground level. Thank you!!



Fundraising for the Friends!

Would you like to help the Friends financially without spending a dime???

TD Bank is sponsoring a program whereby they will make an annual contribution to a charitable organization based on the activity of all participating members' TD Bank accounts. A number of companies are doing this- obviously another way for them to attract customers. See the article below on the AmazonSmile program.

So if you are a member of the Friends or a patron of the library or someone else that you know that would like to help out the Friends of Boyden Library, all you have to do is to inform TD Bank at the time you open up a checking, savings, Money Market, CD or retirement account, that you would like to join their "Affinity Membership Program". If you are already a TD customer, you can inform them that you would like to join the "Affinity" program.

For each new or existing account that is set up, they will donate money to the Friends. In addition they will make an additional donation once a year based upon the average annual balances of savings and checking accounts for all "Affinity" members.

THE FRIENDS...GO GREEN

Starting with our next newsletter in the Spring of 2017 we will no longer be mailing paper copies to our members. Newsletters will only be sent out electronically. We know that not everyone has or uses email so we will continue to have paper copies of the newsletter available at Town Hall, The Senior Center and the Library. The newsletter is also available on-line on the library's web page at www.boydenlibrary.org.

Please make sure we have your correct email address. You can update your email address by sending it to the Friends at boydenlibrary@yahoo.com.



Amazon Smile - An easy way to support the Friends of Boyden Library

AmazonSmile is a great way to support the Friends of Boyden Library every time you shop at Amazon. Without any additional cost to you, the AmazonSmile Foundation will automatically donate a portion of each eligible purchase to the organization you designate. Go to <http://smile.amazon.com> and follow the instructions to select Friends of Boyden Library Foundation as your designated charity.

Then, every time you shop at Amazon, remember to start at <http://smile.amazon.com>. You'll see the same prices and selection as on Amazon.com, and AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of your eligible purchases to the Friends of Boyden Library.

It's that easy! To find out more about the AmazonSmile program, go to <http://smile.amazon.com/about>

Thank you for your support!



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SUPPORTERS IN 2016!**

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Friends of Boyden Library Book Shop

The Friends major fundraisers are our book sales held in May and November. To complement this, last spring we implemented an ongoing Book Shop with books available for purchase in several locations. All items are on sale for \$3 or less. Adult newer releases, DVDs and young adult books are located on the first floor under the stairwell by the tutoring room, while Children's books can be found on the second floor in the Children's library.

Recently we have added "The Last Chapter" on the ground floor in the stairwell which is stocked with a wide variety of fiction and non-fiction books at reduced prices. The Book Shop is stocked from the donations we receive. We greatly appreciate your donations of gently-used books, CDs or DVDs. The donation bin is in the library's entryway on the ground floor. If you need help with a large donation, please contact David Crimmins at (508) 543-7496 or via email at davidcrimmins@comcast.net to arrange a pickup. Please remember that we cannot accept magazines, textbooks, encyclopedias, Reader's Digest books, VHS, cassettes or anything in poor condition.

Vriend, veninde, vriendin, ami, freund, amica, amiga amigo. These words represent many foreign languages but they all mean one thing - FRIEND!