

January, 2016



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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
(through April)

Board Meetings:

Friends of the Boyden Library monthly Board Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month in the Community 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
Jennifer Ooi, Vice-President
Sue Collins, Secretary
Bernadette Thie, Treasurer
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Liz Karvonen
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Letter from the President

Dear FRIENDS:

The Executive Board of the Friends of Boyden Library want to wish everyone a happy, healthy and prosperous 2016 and to take this opportunity to **thank all of you** for your support and encouragement to the Library and our group this past year. Through your membership contributions and your support of our two book sales we were able to sponsor a number of programs at the Boyden Library.

We are once again beginning our annual membership drive. I think it is important for you to know how much you do for the library.

Did you know your support provided the following activities in 2015?

- In the Adult Area - a four-author series that included such luminaries as Hank Phillippi Ryan, Ken Gloss, and Alex Beam, as well as two music programs - \$2,500
- In the Children's Area - 12 programs such as Teddy Bear Picnic, Mrs. Dow's Art Cart, Barn Babies, etc. - \$3,500
- In the Young Adult Area, in conjunction with a grant from the Partners in Patriotism Program, the Foxborough Reads Series consisting of 8 programs at various venues in town based on the book, **The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe** - \$2,700
- Purchasing books and DVDs for all areas of the library - \$2,200

As you can see, your contributions play an integral part in what the library provides to every age group in town.

We are working diligently with Manny Leite, the new Director, and the library staff to make sure that the programs we support and sponsor reach every segment of the town, as we believe the LIBRARY is the cornerstone of the community.

Your contributions provide a significant number of programs not funded by the Town. We need your support to continue all that we do.

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From the new Director – Manny Leite

First off, I want to extend a ‘Thank You’ to everyone I’ve met over the past few months. I am excited to be in Foxborough and I know 2016 will be a terrific year for Boyden Library. I especially want to thank the Friends of Boyden Library for their dedication and look forward to working with them in 2016.

Our Friends Rental DVD collection is thriving! Highlighting mainstream and current releases, the rental DVDs are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. All revenue generated by DVD rentals is returned to the Friends and is used to build up a viable DVD collection. DVDs may be rented for one week for a \$2.00 fee, and renewed an additional week for another \$2.00. All rental DVDs are available in the library’s regular circulation; however, NO holds may be placed on rental DVDs.

The Children’s Room had a successful Fall and have plenty of story times and events for the Winter! Please check our website (www.boydenlibrary.org) for an updated list of children’s programs.

Friends of Boyden Library continue to sponsor upcoming programs! Our Sunday Concert Series continues on January 17th with World Music duo of *Colby & Keila*, on February 28th musician/funnyman *Howie Newman* and on March 13th the Celtic duo of *Two Old Friends*. The Friends are also sponsoring two upcoming Spring Speaker programs: *Irish Voices* with Stephen Collins and *Golf Links* presented by Chuck Burgess.

One thing I’ve learned about Foxborough: the Boyden Library has become many things to many people who pass through its doors. I feel a great sense of pride in their past accomplishments and know we’ll continue to provide the community with exemplary programming, electronic resources, museum passes, free Internet, and traditional library services. We’ll maintain the customary services that our patrons have come to expect, such as the latest books, CDs, DVDs, Blu-Rays, audio books, eBooks, bestsellers, and Young Adult materials. Our challenge is to provide these traditional services along with informational technology, but always keeping the human element primary.

A strong and popular Library reflects well on the entire community. It is our hope that in planning for the future, the standards we have achieved will serve as a benchmark for potential growth. The Foxborough community deserves no less.



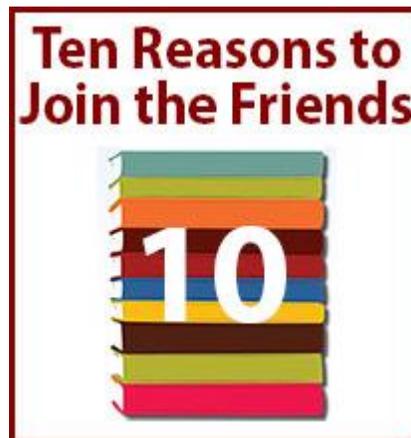


Friends Membership Drive

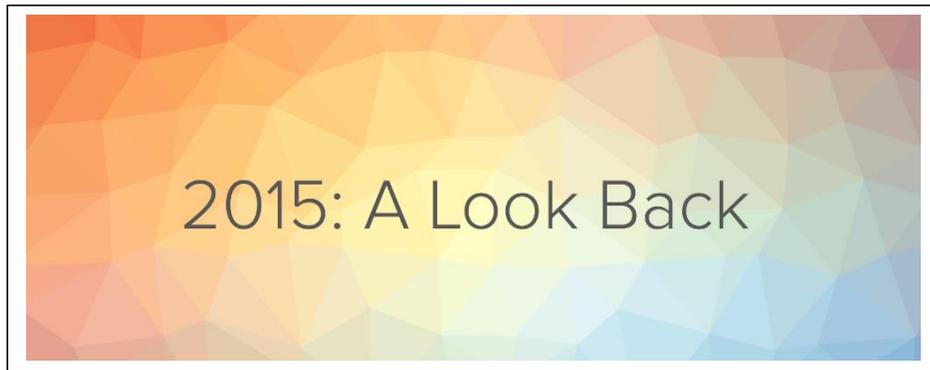
Our 2016 Membership Drive that runs from January through December is now underway. You can pay using PayPal by going to www.boydenlibrary.org and clicking on the Friends of Boyden Library section and choosing the appropriate level of membership. Membership forms are also available at the circulation desks at the library and for those of you who receive the newsletter via US mail, we have enclosed a membership form.

Your dues are invaluable to the programs the Friends sponsor at the Library.

THANK YOU!!!!



- 1) You can access material from your home, on vacation, from anywhere in the world.
 - 2) Rent just-released DVDs.
 - 3) Help the Discretionary Program through holiday collections and providing books at the food pantry.
 - 4) Support the great Adult programs such as the Speaker Series, Music programs, etc.
 - 5) Support the amazing Children's programs such as Mrs. Dow's art cart, Fun and Music with Little Pumpkins, etc.
 - 6) Get \$2 off a book at the twice-a-year book sale
 - 7) Meet and mix with other Friends
 - 8) Help build a literate, informed & fulfilled community
 - 9) Join the new Friends Book Club
 - 10) You Love the Library!!
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2015 was another exciting year for the Friends of Boyden Library and we are proud of all we were able to accomplish.

Here's a recap of some of the great things the Friends and your donations did in 2015!

Spring and Fall Book Sales

- We raised over \$6,000 dollars in 2015 with book sales in May and November
- In November more than 22 volunteers put in many hours covering seven shifts of setting up, sale, and cleaning up.
- The funds raised will allow the library to increase programming for both adults and children with the introduction of programming for Young Adults.
- We thank everyone who supported the sale by purchasing the books and volunteering their time.
- Mark Your Calendar. The Spring Book Sale will be held on Thursday, May 12 - Saturday, May 14, 2016. See you there.

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe

- Held over 3 consecutive weeks in April & May
- 233 children participated in book discussions, archery, magic shows, a magic workshop, mask, crown-and shield-making, a tea party, and Turkish Delight cooking demonstrations
- The program concluded with a showing of the movie **The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe** at the Orpheum Theatre.

New Adult Speaker Series

- New to 2015, an adult Speaker Series including readings by:
 - Christopher Daley, **Murder & Mayhem in Boston**
 - Brenda Sullivan of **The Gravestone Girls**
 - Julie Salvato of **The Happy Veg Head**
 - And more!!



2015 – A Look Back Cont'd

Giving Tree

- Once again the Friends of Boyden Library and the Boyden Library sponsored a Giving Tree at the library in support of the Foxboro Discretionary Fund. Tags with the age of the child and the gift requested were hung on the tree. Participants selected a tag, purchased the gift, and returned it to the library unwrapped but with its tag attached. The gifts would then be distributed to the children. This year we were pleased to be able to give forty children's gifts to the Discretionary Fund on behalf of the donors.

Children's Room Programs

- The Boyden Library Children's Department puts on an unbelievable number of events throughout the year. Here's a look at a few of them
 - Mrs Dow's Art Cart
 - Reading with Mace, a Service Dog
 - Mr Vinny's Shadow Puppet Show

New Book Club

- A new Friends Book Club was created in 2015. We have a core group of 11 members and room for a couple more if anyone is interested. We have lively, interesting discussions the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm in the Fuller Conference Room.
- Coming up book discussions are-January-**The Art of Hearing Heartbeats** by Jan-Philipp Sender , February-**In Cold Blood** by Truman Capote and March- **The Story of Beautiful Girl** by Rachel Simon.
- So if you are looking for a diverse group of women with whom to discuss interesting books, please contact Barbara Massey at barbaramassey29@gmail.com.

New Books in the Pantry

- Adult and Children's books now available at the Foxboro Food Pantry on Neponset Ave.





2016 will be another exciting year at the Library and with the Friends!

Here's a quick glimpse of what's coming up in 2016

- 1/27/16 - Please join the Friends of Boyden Library Foundation for their annual meeting in the Community Meeting 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.
- 5/12 – 5/14 – Spring Book Sale
- 11/17-11/19 – Fall Book Sale

Go to the Boyden Library Website to see all of the events happening at the Library!

This Calendar of Events shows what is happening tomorrow or several weeks from now. They also provide a description of the event, the age category and any necessary information about registration, time and locations.

Here's your chance to get to know all about the Library from the comfort of your home, office or even your local Panera. Just click on the link below and then click on the "Calendar of Events" section. We hope you avail yourself of this resource as the Library has recently updated it to be more informative to the public.

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Book Collection Bin

The Book Collection Box is now back in the lobby. It is ready for your donations of books & media. Please, give us only materials in good, saleable condition.

We cannot sell textbooks, encyclopedias, Readers Digest Condensed Books, National Geographic and books in poor condition. Those items should be recycled. If you need to have any books picked up, please call Diane at 508-543-4680.

2016 Annual Membership Now Due!

Hello Friends:

If you have not yet had the opportunity to renew your membership or start a new one, we want to remind you that the 2016 Friends membership dues are now due. If your address label has a 16 or life on it, your dues are up to date for 2016 or you have been “grandfathered” as a life member. Thank you!! If your label does not have either of these on it, your dues are now due. Please use the enclosed envelope to forward your dues for 2016.

We ask you to help defray the adult and children's programs supported by the Friends by renewing your 100% tax-deductible membership, increasing your membership, or inviting a friend to join us.

Membership levels for the calendar year 2016 are:

\$10 Student/Senior	\$20 Good Friend	\$40 Great Friend
\$75 Best Friend	Other: Gift/Donation/Bequest/In Memoriam	

Please make checks payable to Friends of Boyden Library, 10 Bird Street, Foxborough, MA 02035 or you can now pay your dues via Paypal by going to www.boydenlibrary.org and clicking on the FRIENDS box and then clicking on the appropriate box under MEMBERSHIPS.

The Friends of the Boyden Library is a non-profit foundation providing support and enrichment to the Foxborough community through support of the public library.

(Please print)

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

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If you would like to receive your newsletter via email, please check here!

Level/Type of Friend: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

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You can help now...

You can pick up a membership envelope at the Circulation Desk, or you can pay through PayPal by going online to www.boydenlibrary.org and clicking on the Friends of the Library icon. Under the membership section there is a reference to PayPal where you can choose the appropriate level.

Thanks again for your past support. We look forward to hearing from you!!!!

"Wherever I am, if I've got a book with me, I have a place I can go and be happy." - J.K. Rowling