

April, 2014



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Library Hours:

Monday: 10-8
Tuesday: 10-8
Wednesday: 10-8
Thursday: 10-8
Friday: 10-6
Saturday: 10-5
(through June)

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.

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Our Library Is Magic!

This past February vacation all my kids wanted to do was go to the Shire Book Shop in Franklin and the Boyden Library; “without having to rush off to another commitment” was the mandate for both. The kids were calling for a quiet and magical time out. In the techno-buzz that always seems to be circling our heads with chirps and beeps and whirs from corners across our reality that urge an instant and immediate response, this was an outing we were all up for.

The Shire is an old used book store, housed in an old mill, with floor-to-ceiling books and ladders to reach the high shelves. It cannot even be called a shop as it has too much soul for that. When we are there, no one says, “Can we leave now?” or “Is it time to go”. Each one of us is immediately transported back to the realm of awe and that feeling of a magical hunt, as you never quite know what you’ll find there.

After we staggered out under the weight of our treasures, we had to go to the library, because as the kids in our house will tell you, a library is also a magical place. Our library is magic. You can get ANYTHING there, even really unusual books or brand new titles that just came out. If you can’t get it today, they will find it for you and then tell you, “We found it,” because our library is magic.

Reading is a gift, a library is a community treasure, and you can see the well-loved books as their pages sometimes show how the book earned its dog-ears and creases, all from the hands of readers. Like the beloved story, “The Velveteen Rabbit”, books that have been repaired, taped and glued, that get checked out over and over again, are magical in their own way. I harken back to a library copy of “Mr. Gumpy Rows The Boat” that we would often check out. It is not a flashy book; it is a gentle book, it has worn pages and pencil line illustrations. Yet the times it came home over and over with all three children was astounding. Naturally, I thought we should “own this book” instead of racking up all those, ahem, late fees. So I bought it, and what happened? Barely touched... “But it is new, and shiny and smooth,” I said, but it was not magic. Why? But it was not *lent*, it was not *shared*. This lending and sharing is the true magic of a library. Having a librarian hand you a book that others have shared and loved, and you in turn could lend to another person to love, allows us to have a very specific shared experience. Yes, you say, I can lend other things, like clothing, but if I borrow my sister’s scarf, we do not have a conversation about the shared scarf experience.

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Save the Dates and Spring Into a Book

Attention all Book Lovers!

The Friends of Boyden Library's Spring Fling Book Sale will run from
Thursday, May 15th – Saturday, May 17th

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As an appreciation for our "FRIENDS" whose paid membership allows us to provide so many programs throughout the year, we are re-introducing an "Exclusive Friends Night". On **Thursday, May 15th, from 5:00pm to 8:00pm, come and shop the sale before it opens to the public and enjoy refreshments and conversation with other Friends.**

If you have not yet renewed your 2014 membership, this would be a great opportunity; you don't want to miss this! We'd love you to invite a friend or neighbor who would also like to become a "Friend" of the Boyden Library. We will have memberships available at the door. Or visit our "Friends page" at www.boydenlibrary.org. Happy Spring!

MAY 15, *Thursday - 5 pm - 8 pm *****
(*Friends members only exclusive evening***)**

MAY 16, Friday -10 a.m. - 6 p.m. (Open to all)

MAY 17, Saturday -10 a.m. - 3 p.m. (Open to all)



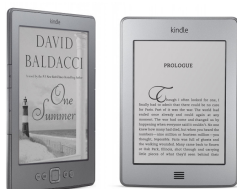
Show how important your local public or school library is to your community by signing the American Library Association's Declaration for the Right to Libraries. Visit ala.org/declaration to sign, then tweet #right2libs to spread the word.

Special Thanks

The Friends want to extend a special thank you to Mr. Joseph Ferrini and the Superior Baking Company of Brockton, MA, for their generous donation of 25 plastic crates. These will be used to store donated books for our book sales. He embodies the spirit of being a true "Friend".



Got eBooks??



A not uncommon question at the reference desk often begins with the taking out from a bag of a Kindle, an iPad, or a Nook – followed by something along the lines of “I just got this as a gift. Can you show me how to put books on it?” and the answer of course is “Yes, we can.”

eBooks from the Boyden library’s SAILS Library network’s collections can be downloaded to all these types of eReaders, although each eReader manufacturer puts certain limitations on what kinds of materials can be downloaded.

We do have printed instructions available at the Reference Desk (these instructions can also be found on the library website – boydenlibrary.org). While we are often handing out these instructions to our patrons, we also frequently use the instructions ourselves to help us help our customers get a book downloaded to their device.

All patron downloads of eBooks are done through the SAILS website – through a service called Overdrive. All SAILS Library Network members contribute to the costs of a basic collection of eBooks available to all cardholders in the Network. The Boyden Library has expanded its selection of eBook offerings by subscribing to Overdrive Advantage. Overdrive Advantage titles are available only to Foxborough cardholders, providing much greater opportunity for Boyden patrons to find a title to download. The Friends have been making very generous contributions to fund our Overdrive Advantage purchase of Kindle titles.

eBooks are available in both the Adult and Children’s collections. The SAILS Library network has just expanded its services with a new digital collection website experience just for kids / teens. The main digital collection now has a separate site to provide a safe and easy browsing experience for kids / teens. You can find it at: <http://sails.lib.overdrive.com/youth>.

The Boyden Library has just added several new eBook titles, including Anna Quindlen’s *Still Life with Bread Crumbs*, John Grisham’s *Sycamore Row*, and Jonathan Kellerman’s *Killer*. You’ll also find Harlan Coben, J.D. Robb, the Twilight series, Nora Roberts, and many more.

The SAILS Library Network digital collections also include audiobooks and digital music – and there’s a new “streaming video” collection of about fifty children’s titles. Streaming video options will continue to grow.

So, go to the SAILS home page, find the “*You have devices. We have eBooks!*” box, follow the instructions, and add a book or two to your Kindle, your iPad, or your Nook—all with no cost to you.

Jerry Cirillo
Library Director

From The Children's Room

How nice it is to look around our bright Children's Room at any given time of day and see the room being used in a variety of ways. Preschoolers with parents, nannies, or grandparents pick out materials and visit with one another while waiting for story programs to begin during morning and early afternoon hours. After school, nearly every table and computer is occupied by kids working on school assignments along with their adult helpers. Youngsters are often found sprawled out on the carpet with books spread around them or sitting quietly engrossed in a book in front of the lookout windows. On Thursday evenings, little ones arrive in pajamas to take part in family evening story times. Scout troops and schools have toured the building to learn about the new facility, and classrooms from the Foxboro Regional Charter School visited to utilize the resources.

All the while, Foxboro residents visit daily to see the new library and apply for library cards. The Children's Room staff never gets tired of seeing the delighted expressions on patrons' faces when they enter the room for the first time. To keep up with the number of children who want to show their collections in the library display case, we recently purchased two new glass cases so that two collections can be shown each month.

In addition to the regularly scheduled story programs, the Children's Department has eased back into offering a variety of educational and entertaining programs and activities sponsored by the Friends of the Library. In February, 33 people dropped in to make Valentines for loved ones. During February vacation week, 75 kids and grown-ups took part in "Animal World Experience," where everyone learned about exotic animals from around the world. Also in February, over 250 kids submitted guesses to win a jar of chocolates during the "Valentine's Day Candy Guess."

Program highlights this spring include Master Storyteller Diane Edgecomb on April 22 during school vacation week. Diane will weave together the best of spring folklore, nature tales, and contemporary stories to create the perfect storytelling program to "Welcome in the Spring." If you have never experienced this art form, where your imagination takes hold in the worlds created by a professional storyteller, now is your chance. This program is right for all ages (beginning with age 4). Registration will begin in the Children's Department on April 8. Call 508-543-1246.

April is National Poetry Month and beginning April 14, kids can select a poem from a poetry box in the Children's Room. They will then keep the poem until it can be shared with family and friends on April 24, "Poem in Your Pocket Day."

The week of May 12 is National Children's Book Week when kids will be able to check out a "Spring Surprise"—a book wrapped up and ready to be borrowed. Only the borrower won't know the identity of the book until he or she gets it home.

All children's programs and activities are regularly announced in Boyden Library's column which appears every two weeks in the Foxboro Reporter. Announcements are also posted on the library website at www.boydenlibrary.org, on the library Facebook page at www.facebook.com/BoydenLibrary, on Foxboro Cable Access, and on Foxboro Patch.

Check this out: The Children's Room carries a great collection of music for kids. From silly songs to introductions to classical music to popular (tween) tunes, you'll find more on the audio-visual shelves than you ever expected!

Margi Rossetti
Children's Librarian

Children's Room Schedule!

April is National Poetry Month! May is "Get Caught Reading" Month!

April 8 Registration begins for "Welcome in the Spring" with Master Storyteller Diane Edgecomb. Call Children's Desk at 508-543-1246 to sign-up for the April 22 (school vacation week) Earth Day program. Appropriate for families with children ages 4 and older. If you've never experienced the great art of storytelling, now is your chance. You'll love it!

April 13-19 NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

April 14 Visit the Children Room beginning today to choose a poem for "Poem in Your Pocket Day" Choose a poem, keep it in your pocket, then share with family and friends on April 24—Poem in Your Pocket Day!

April 19 at 10:30 a.m. Story & Craft Room Saturday Mother Goose on the Loose

April 21 LIBRARY CLOSED—PATRIOTS DAY

April 22 at 2:00 p.m. Community Meeting Room "Welcome in the Spring" with Master Storyteller Diane Edgecomb. Call the Children's Department at 508-543-1246 to see if space is still available. Families with children ages 4 and older.

April 24 It's Poem in Your Pocket Day! Share a poem with family and friends!

Look ahead to May:

May 12-18 NATIONAL CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK. Check-out a "Spring Surprise" from the Children's Department. When you visit the library this week, you'll find some great books all wrapped up and ready to be borrowed. But you won't know what they are until you unwrap the book at home!

Don't forget about Story Time and Mother Goose on the Loose. Session 5 begins the week of April 13:

Story Time for ages 3-5 Wednesdays at 1:30

Family Evening Story Time (kids can wear pjs to the library and bring a stuffed animal) Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.

Mother Goose on the Loose for infants to age 3 Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11:00 a.m.

Saturday Mother Goose on the Loose will be held April 19 at 10:30 a.m.

Check for updates on our website at www.boydenlibrary.org and our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/BoydenLibrary

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Conversely, if she gives me the book she's reading to read (or more likely considering she's my younger sister, swipes it off of my bookshelf while I am halfway through it), then we always end up having conversations or arguments or discussions around the book.

Lastly, a book is forgiving, unlike our new technologies. We are less reluctant to lend our tablets to our sibling to read a book, as the device does so much more. Also, a book can be dropped on the floor out of your hands when you fall asleep (so I hear but certainly never do) and not be much worse for the wear. Tablets, not so much. But the true magic is still in the sharing. In the lending. Stop by the library this week, the Shire Bookshop, or our upcoming spring book sale. You'll agree that there is magic in the air.

Neda Joury-Penders
 Friends Board

Friends Sponsor Spring Library Author Series

The Friends of the Boyden Library and Library director Jerry Cirillo have organized an exciting author series. The series kicked off with long-time Foxboro resident Jeannie Coco, author of *Rocks Through My Window*. Ms. Coco appeared on February 20th and was greeted by a large enthusiastic crowd. Her readings and discussion were very well received.

On March 20th, Ted Reinstein, well-known reporter/contributor of WCVB's Chronicle news magazine appeared. Mr. Reinstein discussed his book *New England Notebook: One Reporter, Six States, Uncommon Stories*. Mr. Reinstein enthralled the overflow crowd with stories of his travels around the New England states. Reinstein graciously autographed books and exchanged stories with many attendees after his presentation.

On April 17th at 7:00 PM author Nichole Bernier will appear to discuss her first novel *The Unfinished Work of Elizabeth D.* Ms. Bernier was a contributing editor for Conde Nast Traveler for 14 years and has written for several other magazines including Boston Magazine. Bernier lives locally and is currently working on her second novel. At the conclusion of Ms. Bernier's talk she will autograph books for attendees.

The Series wraps up on May 13th with author Anthony Amore. Presently he is director of security at the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum. Mr. Amore will discuss his book *Stealing Rembrandts, the Untold Stories of Notorious Art Heists*. Along with many responsibilities, Amore is charged with the ongoing efforts to recover 13 works of art stolen from the museum on March 18, 1990.



Ted Reinstein signing books at Boyden Library Author Series

What Makes a Friend

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

What is a friend? Someone who gives assistance: a supporter; a patron. You are our **FRIENDS**, the people who make so many things possible at the Boyden Library. Without your help we would not be able to provide the extra services that so many patrons use such as the children's programs and activities, rental books and the new author series, to name a few. Your support through volunteer work and membership dues makes all these things possible.

If you're not already a **FRIEND**, please consider becoming one by signing up as a member of the Friends of Boyden Library or renewing your annual dues. An envelope with all the necessary information is enclosed. Our sincerest thanks for being our FRIEND!!!!

_____ \$10 Student/Senior _____ \$20 Good Friend
 _____ \$40 Great Friend _____ \$75 Best Friend
 _____ Other-Gift/Donation

Membership runs from January to December. A tax acknowledgement will be sent for memberships or donations of \$50 or more.

Once again we want to thank you!!! Your dues make so many things possible.

Membership envelopes also available at the Circulation Desk.

Please note if you are receiving your newsletter by US mail and have requested to receive it by email than our records are wrong or incomplete. Please send your email address to boydenlibraryfriends@yahoo.com and we will update our records. Thank you for your patience.

\$\$ Member Coupon \$\$

**Good for
One Free Book**

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Friends Spring Book Sale!!!! May 15th – May 17th

We are still collecting books for the sale, so please drop off your donations in the book collection box at the entrance of the Library. We're accepting books in good condition, fiction or nonfiction, for children or adults, as well as CDs, DVDs, and videos. Please no textbooks, encyclopedias, Reader's Digest's condensed books, National Geographics, or books in poor condition. If you have several boxes or bags of books to donate, please contact Bernadette at 508-698-3334 or bmthie@aol.com to arrange a pickup.

Would you like to help with the Sale? Volunteers are needed to help set up on Thursday, as well as manning the sale on Friday and Saturday. Set up starts at 10 a.m. on Thursday. It consists of moving crates of books from storage to the sale room and then organizing the books once they're in the room. If you're interested in volunteering on any day, please contact Bernadette at 508-698-3334 or bmthie@aol.com.

Hope to see you at the Spring Book Sale!