

January 2020



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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 Community Meeting Room at the Library at 7PM. There are no meetings in July & August. All are welcome to attend.

Board Members:

Janice Rosado, President
David Crimmins, Vice Pres
Sue Collins, Secretary
Bernadette Thie, Treasurer
Bob Boynton
Charles DiPompo
Lesleyann Foster
Sara Halton
Jennifer Linskey
Barbara Massey
Colleen McManus
Diane Monahan
Ann Ross



Letter from the President

Dear Friends,

Happy New Year! It's hard for me to believe that it is 2020. I hope the New Year brings the very best of health and happiness to all our Friends.

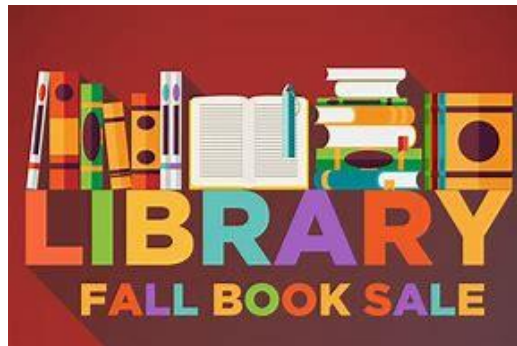
Our Fall Book Sale was a resounding success, we couldn't do it without the help of our many volunteers and all those who donate books throughout the year.

I would like to thank everyone who participated in the Giving Tree and book donations for the Discretionary Fund. We were able to help a great number of children over the holidays, hopefully bringing smiles to both the children and their parents.

The New Year brings our annual membership drive. For your convenience an envelope is provided with this newsletter for submitting your dues. The envelope can be mailed but why not drop it off at the library and save a stamp! The money raised through your memberships help the Friends provide many wonderful programs to all ages. We hope, not only that you will continue to support the Friends with your dues, but also that you will come and enjoy the programs being provided. If there is a program or topic that you would like to see brought to the Library, please let us know.

As always, I would like to extend a big thank you to all our members, book donors, sorters, sale volunteers, library staff and of course the entire Friends Board. It is a pleasure to work with you all in making the Boyden Library a very special place for the community.

Janice Rosado



November 2019 Book Sale SUCCESS

2019 was a fabulously successful year for the Friends. We raised over \$8,000 dollars at our book sales in May and November. This is the highest yearly total in over 10 years. A special thank you to our Book Sale Chair, Lesleyann Foster and our President and Book Store Chair, Janice Rosado.

In November more than 25 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, young adults and children. We thank everyone who supported the sale by purchasing books and volunteering their time.

**Mark Your Calendar for The Spring Book Sale:
Thursday, May 14 - Saturday, May 16, 2020
See you there!**



From the Director

With all the hype on new streaming services like Disney+, Apple+ and the upcoming HBO Max in 2020, I like to share two streaming services we offer at the Boyden Library free of charge! All you need is a Boyden Library Card.

Hoopla is a groundbreaking digital media service that allows you to borrow movies, music, audiobooks, eBooks, comics and TV shows to enjoy on your computer, tablet, or phone – and even your TV! With no waiting, titles can be streamed immediately, or downloaded to phones or tablets for offline enjoyment later. There are hundreds of thousands of titles to choose from, with more being added daily. Hoopla is like having your public library at your fingertips. Anytime. Anywhere. With your Boyden Library card, you can instantly download up to three titles per month with NO WAITING.

Freegal is a downloadable music service. All you need is your Boyden Library card to gain access to the Sony Music Entertainment catalog which offers hundreds of thousands of songs, over 100 genres of music, and more than 50 record labels, all without having to download software or have any digital rights management (DRM) issues to deal with. Freegal allows patrons to download up to three songs to your phone, computer or tablet per week.

And that's just the tip of the iceberg. Look for a new, movie-centric streaming service coming to Boyden Library in the Summer of 2020.

Happy New Year!

Manny Leite



A Special Thank You from the Friends

Periodically we thank individuals who have been especially generous to the Friends. One of these “friends” who on a personal basis has consistently donated hundreds of books from his collection is Peter O’Brien. He has also been instrumental in donating hundreds of books from his consignors, in particular the late David and Penny Ingram.



2020 Membership Drive

The Friends of Boyden Library are beginning their 2020 membership drive and are asking you to renew your membership.

These funds enable the Friends to provide and support many multi-generational activities at the library including the purchase of museum passes, e-books, rental books, children's programs as well as sponsoring an expanded adult program that includes author, lecture, music and "how to" themes.

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 us at boydenlibraryfriends@yahoo.com. **We always need volunteers.**

As an incentive to join the Friends or renew your membership, we are going to have a 2-hour special preview on the first night of each of our upcoming book sales for those "FRIENDS" with paid memberships. Also, as a further enticement for our "Friends" to pay their dues we are having a free raffle for each level of payment. The raffles will be drawn at the end of February. Each "Friend" who pays their dues from November 2019 on will be eligible.

The prizes are as follows:

- At the \$75+ level - a "Friends" tote bag filled with books and gift cards for free DVD and book rentals
- At the \$40 level - 2 prizes; each prize would be a tote bag and \$15 worth of gift cards
- At the \$20 level - 1 prize; a \$10 gift card
- At the \$10 level - 1 prize; a \$5 gift card

As always, we thank you for your help. Your much-needed support is invaluable!!!



Annual Notice – Friends Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Friends of Boyden Library Foundation will be held on Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at 7PM in the Community Meeting Room at the Boyden Library. We will be holding elections of new officers and voting on minor revisions to our Friends By-laws. All are welcome!

Tis' the Season of Giving

The Friends of Boyden Library and the Boyden Library continued their support of the Foxboro Discretionary Fund with a **Giving Tree**. The Giving Tree adorned with tags listing "WISH LIST" Items requested by local families was in the entrance area of the library. The Children's Library also collected new books which were part of the Discretionary Fund's distribution. Patrons, Friends, and Staff took a tag, purchased the gifts, and returned them to the library for distribution to families through the Discretionary Fund. See pictures of the tree and the tremendous outpouring of books, gifts, and toys that were collected.

Over 80 gifts and 127 books were donated!

The Discretionary Fund, The Library, and the Friends extend a huge thank you to all for their generosity.



“State” of the Friends-2019

As we embark on a new year, we thought it would be informative to share with you our “FRIENDS” what the Friends Group had accomplished in 2019.

We began the year with changes to the Board of Directors- Janice Rosado assumed the Presidency and immediately had a positive impact by opening our Book Store and Last Chapter and continues to manage them along with her other duties. These were an instant success. She was also responsible for starting a collaborative working arrangement with an outside book dealer to list and sell selected books on the internet all year long. Again, this has proven highly successful.

We had three new members elected to the Board at the Annual Meeting in February; Bob Boynton, Sara Halton and Jennifer Linskey, all of whom bring enthusiasm, experience and a wealth of new ideas to the Board. Bob became an At-Large member and the “go-to” operations guy; Sara took over the Membership Chair and Jennifer assumed the Media/PR Chair and helps to edit the newsletter. We also said goodbye to Liz Karvonen and Laurie Magee who served on the Board for several years as Newsletter Chair (Liz) and Membership Chair (Laurie). We are also losing another Board member, Barbara Massey who will be stepping down in January as she has moved out of town. Our thanks to all of them for their years of commitment and friendship.

Your financial support through membership dues and book sales helped us to sponsor an unprecedented number of programs this past year. There were 20 children’s programs covering various themes such as science, crafts, yoga, nature and animals as well the very popular Teddy Bear picnic held on the Common during the summer. This year over 65 children attended, and each child was given a book as a prize. At the young adult level, we sponsored four visits from the One Up Games and at the adult level there were 14 programs that included nine music programs; Dan Shaughnessy, the author; a genealogy program; Harry Potter Trivia Night; The Traveling Librarian program, and the No Irish Need Apply program. These were all available free of charge and well attended.

In addition to these programs, museum passes, book rentals of newly released best sellers, e-books for Kindles as well as newly released DVDs for rent were made possible by your generosity and continue to be in high demand by library patrons.

Stop by the Library and enjoy any number of programs being offered or just sit in a cozy corner and catch up on the news or the latest best seller.

Become a Friend: Membership forms for the Friends are available at the circulation desks or join our group by going on-line to www.boydenlibrary.org and click on the Friends of the Library icon to join.

From the Children's Room

Children can learn how animals spend the winter months on Friday, January 24th at 4PM. Heather Simpson from "Hands on Nature" will teach about hibernation and the adaptations of New England animals. For children age 4 to grade 4. Registration is required beginning January 10th. Bring a small stuffed animal and create a cozy hibernation den to take home. To see if space is available, go to www.boydenlibrary.org and click on Events Calendar. Or call the Children's Desk at 508-543-1246. This event will be sponsored by the Friends of the Boyden Library and the program will take place in the Children's Story & Craft Room.

Children are invited to drop in and make a Valentine on Friday, February 7th from 10AM-5PM. All supplies will be provided, and registration is not required.

Story Time and Mother Goose on the Loose sessions will run through the week of February 10th. Mother Goose on the Loose for infants to age 3 takes place each Tuesday at 10:15AM and Thursday at 11AM and features stories, interactive rhymes, musical and movement activities, and more. Children must be attended by an adult who will help guide them through the activities.

Story Time for children ages 3-6 is held at 1:30PM. on Wednesday. Longer stories, music, rhymes, interactive thinking games and a simple craft make-up the Story Time program. All story programs take place in the Story/Craft Room.

Family Evening Story Time does not meet during the first Winter Session. But if you stop by the Children's Department on Thursday evenings, children will be able to make a simple craft. Family Evening Story Time will resume with Session 4 on February 27th.

Children ages 8-12 can take part in "Chocolate Make and Take" with Kim Larkin on February 18th at 2:00PM. in the Story/Craft Room. Registration is required and will begin on February 4th. To register, go to www.boydenlibrary.org and click on the Events Calendar.

For information regarding upcoming events or to register, visit www.boydenlibrary.org and click on the Events Calendar. Or call the Children's Department at 508-543-1246.

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the Children's Holiday Book Drive. 127 books were collected this year for babies to age 12. This was a record-breaking year!

Margi Rossetti, Children's Dept. Supervisor



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Book Donations Always Accepted

Please note that the Friends accept books, CDs, and Videos all year long. The Friends' familiar book donation box is located just outside the main entrance of the Boyden Library. Your donations help us stock the year-round "book store" which are designated book shelves on the 2nd floor and in the Children's Dept. on the 3rd floor. In addition, we have a "Last Chapter" area located in the 1st floor stair well where books that have not sold in the regular book store are available for \$1. We are already planning for our May book sale. We rely totally on the generous contributions from the community to provide the Friends with books and other media to sell.

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Save the Dates of May 14, 15 & 16th
SAVE YOUR BOOKS!!!



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