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# <u>Library Hours:</u>

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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# SAVE THE DATE FALL BOOK SALE 11/17/16 - 11/19/16

### **Letter from the President**

Dear FRIENDS:

Fall is in the air. Schools are back in session and as I sit here and type this, I can hear the band members from the high school practicing. It's been a real hot summer and would you believe the attendance at the library was quite high this past summer. I'm sure it was the wonderful programs and the varied materials that the library offers, and the air conditioning helped as well.

The programming in the library has expanded significantly in the last year, thanks to Manny Leite, the Director and his staff and a good portion of it is the result of your support through annual membership dues and our bi-annual book sales. **Thank** vou!!!!

Since the last newsletter we have opened up a small book store- actually because of space constraints; it's a small area on the 1st floor beside the tutor room. I personally want to thank the members of the Friends who have been so diligent in maintaining our "little store". It has been very successful due in large part to the donations our "friends" make.

Starting next year, we are going green. The first newsletter of 2017 will be a paper copy and mailed to each member, but after that they will only be sent electronically. Please make sure we have your correct email address. 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 online on the library's web page at <a href="https://www.boydenlibrary.org">www.boydenlibrary.org</a>.

As always we truly appreciate all the work and contributions of all our "friends" because without you none of this would be possible.

**Dave Crimmins** 



# From the Director – Manny Leite

#### "Were You Aware..."

I have talked about the many free services Boyden Library has to offer. They are the ones you have come to expect within the hallowed halls of today's public library: books, computers, magazines, DVD's, Blu Ray's, music CD's, etc. We offer unique services you may not realize we have, some of which are only available here in Foxborough.

Libraries have gone through and are still experiencing a rebirth of sorts. That charming building on the corner that seemed passive by nature is now a learning destination providing resources and tools to support a 21st century world. In essence, we are your community anchors for education and recreation.

So I pose the question: did you know your library provides:

- Downloadable eBooks
- Two Free Meeting Spaces for local nonprofit groups
- Homebound Delivery Service
- Museum Passes
- Free Wireless Internet
- Genealogy Section
- Rental Books & DVD's sponsored by the Friends of Boyden Library
- Programs for All Ages please check our website <u>www.boydenlibrary.org</u>
- **Book A Librarian** Make an appointment with a librarian for assistance with library resources and services

And we're not done yet. Coming sometime this fall, we will be unveiling our very own television show "The Boyden Beat" on Foxboro Cable Access. Keep your eyes open for that one!

#### **Friends Book Club!**

The Friends of Boyden Library Book Club began its second season of reading and discussing together on September 14<sup>th</sup>. We were happy to welcome back most of our members from our inaugural year. Our October meeting date is the 12<sup>th</sup> when we will discuss <u>84 Charing Cross Road</u>. We meet on the second Wednesday of each month September through June with the exception of December. Our meeting room is close to capacity, but if you do have interest in exploring joining us, please contact Barbara Massey at <u>barbaramassey29@gmail.com</u>





#### Fall Book Sale - November 17th - November 19th

The Friends of Boyden Library are hosting their Annual Fall Book Sale on Thursday, November  $17^{th}$  from 5-8 pm, Friday, November  $18^{th}$  from 10 am -6 pm, and Saturday, November  $19^{th}$  from 10 am -2 pm. Look for us in the Community Meeting Room located in the lower level of the library.

The sale will feature a wide selection of fiction and nonfiction for adults, young adults and children. Look for your favorite authors, series and titles available in hard cover and paperback.

We will be introducing a Silent Auction this year. The public will have the opportunity to bid on copies of books signed by their authors. By bidding, buyers can decide for themselves how much they would like to pay for these special books.

Friends rental book Gift Cards will also be available for sale. These gift cards make great gifts for patrons who frequent the library and enjoy borrowing the new releases.

Each member of the Friends who has paid current dues will receive a \$2 credit towards a purchase. Don't forget to mention you are a Friend of the Boyden Library when you check out! If you have not paid your 2016 membership, it is the perfect opportunity.

Remember, all proceeds from the book sale allow us to support the many wonderful programs offered at the Boyden Library. We hope to see you there!



# From the Children's Room Margi Rossetti

Happy Fall, Everyone! After a bustling summer, the Boyden Library Children's Department has finally settled back into the school year routine. Fall Story Programs



are in Session 1 through the week of October 17. Look for Session 2 to begin the week of October 31 and continue until the week of December 5. Each six-week session includes Mother Goose on the Loose for infants to age 3 on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11 a.m. MGOL is a lively program featuring music, puppets, stories, and rhymes for young children and their caregivers. Afternoon Story Time for ages 3-6 takes place each Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. and Family Evening Story Time for families with children ages 3-6 happens Thursday at 7 p.m. Children are welcome to wear pjs and bring stuffed animals to the Family Evening events. Story Times for 3-6 year-olds offer longer stories, music, thinking games and a craft. Story programs are a great way to help children get ready to read and learn.

This fall we are pleased to introduce a new volunteer in the Children's Department. Patty Fitzgerald will be here on Tuesdays from 4-5 p.m. to help beginning readers who want to practice their reading skills or who need to gain reading confidence. Check our Calendar of Events at <a href="www.boydenlibrary.org">www.boydenlibrary.org</a> to see Miss Patty's schedule and call the Children's Desk at 508-543-1246 to sign up for a 15-minute time slot. Readers in kindergarten-grade 3 will benefit most, as Miss Patty will help kids sound out words and cheer them on. When it comes to early readers, it's all about practice and getting over the "reading hump." Readers can choose a book from the library shelves or they can bring one from home. There is no charge to participate.

In October, the Children's Department will host Halloween-related events for all ages. Heather Simpson from Hands on Nature will present "Nature's Real Vampires: Leeches, Bats and Other Spooky Creatures" on Friday, October 14, at 4:00 p.m. for ages 5-12. We'll learn about animals that don't just come out on Halloween, but are here all year round. Registration will begin on October 3. Sign up online by going to <a href="www.boydenlibrary.org">www.boydenlibrary.org</a>. Go to the Children's page and click on the events calendar. Or call the Children's Desk at 508-543-1246.

Hands on Nature of Berlin, Massachusetts presents educational science and nature programs which help connect children with nature. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Boyden Library and will take place in the Community Meeting Room. There is no charge to attend.

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Register your little one beginning October 3 for "Fun and Music for Little Pumpkins with Miss Pam." Pam Atanasoff of Musical Journeys will present Halloween music and activities just right for children ages 9 months to 5 years on Monday, October 17. Because of the anticipated high demand, Miss Pam will hold one session at 10 a.m. and another at 11 a.m. in the Community Meeting Room. Please register for one session (no group registrations, please). All children must be accompanied by an adult. To sign up online, go to <a href="https://www.boydenlibrary.org">www.boydenlibrary.org</a>. Click the Children's tab and click on the events calendar. Or call the Children's Desk at 508-543-1246. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Boyden Library. There is no charge to attend.

Mrs Dow's Halloween Art Cart will be here on Thursday, October 20 at 4:00 p.m. Colleen Dow will read a fun Halloween story and show participants how to make a craft from recycled materials. Mrs. Dow will bring back the glowing haunted house craft that was so popular last year. Children ages 5-12 can be registered beginning October 7. Register online at <a href="www.boydenlibrary.org">www.boydenlibrary.org</a>. Go to the Children's page and click on the events calendar. Or call the Children's Desk at 508-543-1246. For events sponsored by the Friends of the Boyden Library, there is no charge to attend. The program will be held in the Story & Craft Room. Space is limited.

In November Marsha Wright from Self Help Inc. will present "Songs & Stories of the American Preschool" on November 8, 15, and 22 at 1 p.m. in the Story & Craft Room. Geared toward young children and their families who have recently moved to the United States, Marsha will teach the nursery rhymes, songs, and stories that are common to American preschoolers and their families and help orient new arrivals to our culture. Information regarding registration will be announced soon.

Be sure to watch the library website at www.boydenlibrary.org and Boyden Library's Facebook page for information about upcoming Children's events. Program information can also be found on Foxboro Cable Access, in the Foxboro Reporter and Foxboro Patch.





# Friends of Boyden Library Membership Drive

It's that time of the year...time to renew your membership for the 2017 Calendar year!

You can pay using PayPal by going to <u>www.boydenlibary.org</u> 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. In January, we will be sending out a reminder. If you renew now, your membership will run through December 31, 2017.

# Frequently asked questions

- What happened to Lifetime memberships? Back in 2011 our Executive Board voted to eliminate Lifetime memberships going forward and to grandfather anyone who had paid for a lifetime membership. At that time almost 1/2 of the members were lifetime and it was becoming financially impossible to sustain and support on-going programs due to lack of funding. We did ask our "grandfathered friends" to consider paying annual membership fees to help support our mission.
- How often do you have book sales? At present book sales are held semi- annually in mid-May and mid-November. We have recently opened an area on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor (2<sup>nd</sup> level) as an on-going book store where books are available for sale any time the library is open. There is also a small area in the Children's Room on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor where you can purchase children's books.
- What does your membership pay for? Your membership dues help to sponsor: bestselling and new releases of books and DVD rentals, adult and children's programming, museum passes, and music programming.
- If I become a member does that obligate me in any manner? Absolutely not. We like to refer to our members as the "Booster Club" for the Library. These membership dues help to sponsor programming activities that aren't included in the town budget.
- <u>Is there a way for me to volunteer without becoming a director?</u> Absolutely. We are <u>ALWAYS</u> looking for volunteers to help at the book sales, Founders Day, and sorting books to name a few. You can reach us at <u>boydenlibraryfriends@yahoo.com</u> to volunteer or to answer any questions you might have.





# **NEW - Friends Book Shop**

Did you know that in addition to the May and November Book Sales the Friends have opened an ongoing Book Shop? You no longer have to wait to purchase books at bargain prices! The Book Shop is located on the first floor just beyond the computers. The Shop includes a wide variety of books for all ages as well as music CDs and movie DVDs. There is an additional selection of children's items in the Children's Department located on the second floor. Items are reasonably priced from \$0.50 to \$3.00. Proceeds support the many programs and services sponsored by the Friends. So why wait until our next sale...visit the Book Shop today!



Janice Rosado - Vice President

# **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.

There are absolutely no charges to the "Affinity" member and your information is kept entirely confidential.

# 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 <a href="http://smile.amazon.com">http://smile.amazon.com</a> 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 <a href="http://smile.amazon.com">http://smile.amazon.com</a>. 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 <a href="http://smile.amazon.com/about">http://smile.amazon.com/about</a>

Thank you for your support!



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