May, 2018

Boyden Library

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Library Hours:

Monday: 10-8 Tuesday: 10-8 Wednesday: 10-8 Thursday: 10-8 Friday: 10-6 Saturday: 10-5

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 7:00 PM. There is no meeting in July & August. All are welcome to attend.

Board Members:

Dave Crimmins, President Janice Rosado, Vice-President Sue Collins, Secretary Bernadette Thie, Treasurer Charles DiPompo Lesleyann Foster Liz Karvonen Jennifer Linskey Laurie Magee Barbara Massey Colleen McManus Diane Monahan Ann Ross



Letter from the President

Dear FRIENDS:

As I write this article it is still cold, so hopefully by the time it gets sent by email, it will be warmer and you can enjoy spring after a winter that wouldn't quit. While everyone was dealing with the cold and snow, our volunteers were diligently working behind the scenes sorting the book donations you so kindly bring to the library. Without your donations we just wouldn't be able to have book sales, so a big THANK YOU to all who donate. I also want to thank the members of our Board and our volunteer Friends who spend hundreds of hours preparing for this book sale.

In order to recognize the support of our dues-paying members we are once again going to give each paid-up member a free book at the book sale. The book sale will commence on Thursday, May 17, with a special preview from 5 PM to 6 PM just for our members. At 6 PM it will open up to the general public and remain open till 8 PM when the library closes The hours on Friday will be from 10 AM to 6 PM and Saturday from 10 AM to 3 PM. Cont'd on Page 2



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We are now in the midst of our annual membership drive and want to thank so many of you who have already paid your annual dues. Your help is critical to the level of support the Friends provide to the Library. Your membership dues and the proceeds from the book sales help to sponsor children, young adult and adult programming along with book and DVD rentals, museum passes and selected musical programs. We continue to work with the Director to determine what areas of the library need our support in order to address all town residents.

If you haven't already renewed your 2018 membership which runs from January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018, you can do so by going online to www.boydenlibrary.org and clicking on the Friends of Boyden Library icon and then clicking on the PayPal icon or you can also download the membership form and send it to the Friends of Boyden Library, 10 Bird Street, Foxborough, MA 02035. Even better, we would love you to visit the library where you can drop it off and at the same time enjoy the many things the library has to offer.

The Friends want to hear from you if you have suggestions on how to better improve our mission or if you would like to volunteer. As you can imagine where this is an all-volunteer group, we are ALWAYS in need of volunteers. Please feel free to contact us at www.boydenlibraryfriends@yahoo.com. We hope to see you at the May book sale or at any of the number of exciting library events scheduled for the spring and summer.

Dave Crimmins

From the Director – Manny Leite

Being an avid reader, I always carried material with me for "free" moments. The Pew Research Center's "Parents, Children, Libraries, and Reading" study indicate 94% of surveyed parents with children younger than 18, felt libraries are important, with the majority wanting access to libraries to develop their children's love of reading and books. I believe it is imperative to have trained staff serving our community as they explore library resources to enhance their life-long learning.

This summer, set aside time to read and share your passion for reading with others. Inspire children to choose reading as a free-time activity. Most parents said that libraries provide their children with resources unavailable at home and want libraries to keep and expand programs for children and teens.

Boyden Library works to help combat summer learning loss annually by offering a free summer reading program. This year children will discover that "Libraries Rock!". Readers can enjoy programs, crafts, and reading prizes while tracking their daily/weekly reading. Children's Services Librarian Margi Rossetti will have another rockin' lineup of programs throughout the summer. Of course, none of this would be remotely possible without the support of The Friends of Boyden Library. Their dedication has propelled our programs to an all-new level (or for you Spinal Tap fans out there, up to an eleven)!

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Thank You to our Friends!

Membership Renewals

Thank you to all who have contributed this year to our membership drive, either by joining or renewing. So far in 2018, over 135 people have continued to show their support for the Friends. If you haven't yet donated this year, it's not too late. You can do it by mail, in person at the library, or online using Paypal at boydenlibrary.org under the Friends icon.

TD Bank Affinity Program

Thank you to all who have notified TD Bank that you'd like to be part of the Friends' Affinity Membership Program. We recently received our first check from this program. It was for almost \$400!

The Affinity Program is open to anyone who has an account at TD Bank or who opens an account at TD Bank. TD Bank makes an annual contribution to the Friends based on the activity of all participating members' TD Bank accounts. Eligible accounts include checking, savings, Money Market, CD, and retirement accounts. All you have to do is to inform TD Bank at the time you open up an account that you would like to join the Friends' Affinity Membership Program. If you are already a TD customer, you can inform them that you would like to have your balances included as part of our 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. We hope that you will consider this as it is a simple, easy and costless way to help the Friends.

Amazon Smile

Thank you to all who shop at Amazon Smile with the Friends as your designated charity. We earned over \$100 in 2017! If you haven't yet, please consider using Amazon Smile instead of Amazon when you shop online. Every time you shop, without any additional cost to you, the AmazonSmile Foundation will automatically donate a portion of each eligible purchase to the Friends. 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.

Three big thank you's for your continued support of the Friends!!!



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From the Children's Room Margi Rossetti

Happy Spring from the Children's Room. I am glad to report that our children's activities showed full and lively attendances over the past winter. Over 400 people came to children's events between December and March. Many thanks to the Friends of the Boyden Library for their sponsorship of "The Hoopoe Show," Valentine Making, Yoga Camps, Steampunk Jewelry, ScienceTellers, and more.

At this writing spring might be shy about showing itself, but we have turned our attention to events that make us think of warmer days. "Libraries Rock" is the theme for the 2018 Summer Reading Program. Look for events for all ages, raffles, and prize and book giveaways. The program will run from June 25- August 4, with early registration beginning June 18. Of course, the library will make school reading list materials available. There will be a lot happening at the library to help keep students off the "summer slide." Mark your calendar for the Annual Teddy Bear Picnic which will take place at 10 a.m. on July 19 (rain date: July 26) at Foxboro Common.

What are kids reading? Chapter book readers are devouring books from the "Dog Man" series by Dave Pilkey. Other favorite series include "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" by Jeff Kinney, "Harry Potter" by J.K. Rowling, "Captain Underpants" by Dav Pilkey, "The Bad Guys" by Aaron Blabey, "Big Nate" by Lincoln Peirce, "Dork Diaries" by Rachel Renee Russell, "Percy Jackson & the Olympians" by Rick Riordan, and the "Who Was/Who Is?" series.

The picture book crowd is exploring "Islandborn" by Junot Diaz, "Rescue & Jessica" by Jessica Kensky and Patrick Downes, "Dragons Love Tacos" by Adam Rubin, "The Wonderful Things You Will Be" by Emily Winfield, "She Persisted" by Chelsea Clinton, "I am Enough" by Grace Byers, and "The Day the Crayons Quit" by Drew Daywalt,







Spring Book Sale - May 17th - 19th

The Friends of Boyden Library are hosting their Annual Spring Book Sale on Thursday, May 17^{th} . The event begins with a special Friends' Member Preview hour from 5 - 6 pm. If you aren't a member and would like to be, you are welcome to join at the sale.

The general public are welcome Thursday, May 17^{th} from 6 - 8 pm, Friday, May 18^{th} from 10 am - 6 pm, and Saturday, May 19^{th} from 10 am - 3 pm. Look for us in the Community Meeting Room located in the lower level of the library.

Also, 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 2018 membership, it is the perfect opportunity. We will now be accepting credit card payments in addition to cash and personal checks.

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 also have CDs and DVDs available for purchase.

The event will conclude with the popular bag sale (\$5 per bag) on Saturday, May 19th from 1:00 – 3:00 pm. Bags will be provided by the Friends and you are invited to fill it with as much as possible. Don't miss this chance to catch some great deals!

Friends canvas tote bags and rental book Gift Cards will also be available for purchase. Both are perfect gifts for patrons who frequent the library.

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!



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2018 Friends Membership Drive Winners!

Congratulations to the winners of our free raffle. All who paid their dues between November 2017 and February 2018 were eligible to win prizes based on their level of Friendship.

Here are the winners:

- At the \$10 level Sean Connors won a \$5 gift card.
- At the \$20 level Margaret & Gary Nash won a \$10 gift card.
- At the \$40 level Ann Thomas & Joan Gallivan both won a Friends tote bag and a \$15 gift card.
- At the \$75 level Ginny Coppola won a Friends tote bag filled with books, gift cards, & mugs.

Thank you to all who paid their dues. We couldn't support the programs and services of the Boyden Library without your help.





Second Annual Founder's Day Raffle

Friends of Boyden Library are having their annual Founder's Day Raffle Fundraiser to support special programming offered at the library. This year we have three different baskets valued from \$295 to \$350. The prizes include a Boston Red Sox Basket, a New England Revolution Basket and a New England Patriots Basket.

Tickets are available at the Circulation desks in the Main Lobby and the Children's Room until June 8th. The tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. You must be 18 to participate. They can also be purchased on Founder's Day at the Booth Field. Please look for our tent. The drawing will be held that afternoon. Winners do not need to be present. All proceeds from this event will benefit the Boyden Library summer programming. Cont'd on P. 8





Founder's Day with the Friends!

Once again the Friends will host a booth at the town's annual Founders Day Celebration at the Booth Playground on Saturday, June 9, 2018. We will have a selection of children's books for sale. This will also be the last chance for you to take a chance on the three sports baskets packed full of tickets, hats, books and other sports memorabilia. The winners of the raffle for the Red Sox basket, the Revolution basket and the Patriots basket will be drawn at the conclusion of the day. Those individuals signing up to be a "FRIEND" for the first time at our booth will be given a free raffle ticket.

Please stop by and say hello, buy some books and take a chance. Your support goes towards sponsoring various programs held at the library.



Newsletter Goes Green

Just a reminder to our Friends we have gone GREEN, so the only edition of the newsletter that will be sent out by US Mail is the January edition. All others are being sent out by email, so if we don't have your email address please forward it to www.boydenlibraryfriends@yahoo.com.

We do realize that not everyone has or uses a computer, so we will continue to make hard copies available at the Library, Senior Center and Town Hall. You can also use one of the computers at the Library and go online to <u>www.boydenlibrary.org</u> and click on the Friends of Boyden Library icon and find this edition of the newsletter as well as previous ones.





