

Friends of the Jonathan Bourne

Public Library

Letter from the President

nother winter down – although, I'm not sure Mother Nature is fully onboard with ending our winter!

We have begun to ramp up our events and activities. Here are our first two kick-offs for this spring.

Our first event is the annual spring book sale. This fundraiser is always a big hit among the adults as well as children. If you have any used, clean books you wish to discard, please feel free to drop them off in the library parking lot (to the right of the library) on Saturday, May 7th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The sale will take place on Saturday, May 21st from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm (with a rain date of May 22nd). If you would like to help with this event, please contact Nancy Selchan at <u>mailto:jbplfriends@gmail.com</u>.

Please stop by the membership table and, if you need one, pick up an application to renew your membership. We would love to see you and listen to any ideas you may have that will benefit our efforts in fundraising and other activities to support the library and its wonderful staff.

An important note: If you have teenagers, we could use the extra "muscle" helping us!

The 2023 scholarship application is available to all Bourne year-round graduating high school students regardless of where they attend high school. We offer three (3) scholarships of \$1,500 each. There is a list of requirements for the scholarship is available at <u>https://www.bournelibrary.org/Pages/</u><u>Index/182460/friends-of-the-library</u>. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at <u>mailto:jbplfriends@gmail.com</u>. **The DEADLINE is MAY 15, 2022!**

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FYI: Are you an Amazon shopper??

Did you know you can support the Friends of the Jonathan Bourne Public Library through AmazonSmile? It is so simple....

- 1. Sign into smile.amazon.com
- 2. Go to your account (top of the page) and select "Change your Charity."
- 3. Choose the Friends of the Jonathan Bourne Public Library.
- 4. Now, shop away!

We are so looking forward to our annual book sale, and our membership drive, and we are hoping to see many of scholarship applications.

Warmly,

—Marilyn Tarallo

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Member News

Irja Finn Named Library Director

In the Winter 2019-20 issue of this newsletter, assis-

tant librarian Irja Finn was introduced to the community. It is with great pleasure that we now announce that she is our new Library Director.

The Friends of the Library congratu-

late Irja and we look forward to supporting her vision for the Jonathan Bourne Public Library in the coming years.

Egg Painting Class

Pysanky eggs are brilliantly decorated eggs painted in traditional Ukrainian styles. Members of the Friends and general public came to the library recently to join an egg painting class taught by Marina Tabor. For more on this traditional craft, see <u>https://time.com/6166140/pysanka-ukraine-easter-</u> egg-history/.



Library Staff Appreciation Week



On Thursday, April 7, members of the Friends visited the library to thank the staff members who make it such a warm and welcoming place to be and to give each staffer a cyclamen plant to bloom on their desks or to take home. Please thank these hardworking women when you see them!

Back row: Irja Finn, Loretta Brochu, Rebecca Duncan, Terry Johnson, Sara Bevilacqua Front row: Hazel Currence, Beth Poirier, Judy Santangelo. Not pictured: Kathleen Haynes, Laura Ferri

Touch-a-Truck Rides Again!



One very popular event at the Jonathan Bourne library was Touch a Truck , organized by Children's Librarian Terry Johnson. As truck enthusiasts of all ages arrived at the library, they were given a plastic hardhat to set the tone for the day. A bright red ambulance and firetruck sat near the entrance, and firefighters and ambulance attendants were on hand to show their equipment and let children see what the inside of an ambulance looks like.



Some of the construction vehicles were even larger. A half dozen children could have fit inside the steam shovel; other children and their parents lined up to climb way up to the cab of a huge Caterpillar truck. Police cars were also there, along with representatives of the Bourne police department, and the police even invited children to see what it felt like to drive a police car—or to ride in the back of one!

Touch a Truck, cont.

Sitting in the back of a police car with no inside handles and no way to roll down the window was a new experience for JD (below right), but his twin sister MacKenzie (below left) preferred to be the driver.







Ali and Laleh, visiting with their mother Shehzeen (left), loved the trucks, and Laleh announced that she wants to drive a really big one when she grow up.

A number of service organizations also participated in the day. Valerie Brown from WIC (Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children) had free onesies for babies and recipe cards for healthy and appealing foods, such as Cranberry Peach Pops, complete with cooking tips on the back. Check out the Good Food Project's website for this and other healthy recipes at <u>https://www.mass.gov/info-details/</u>

the-good-food-project-and-wic-recipes.

Rita Mitchell was the representative from the Barnstable County Department of Health and Environment. She gave away all sorts of information for families, from how to recognize different kinds of ticks to why smoking is not healthy. Excellent information is available at their website at <u>https://www.barnstablecountyhealth.org/</u>.

Bourne for Children was also present. Miss Angie, an early literacy specialist, helped young children design tissue paper collages while she spoke with their parents and grand-



parents. This organization, funded by a grant from the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and



Care, works with children from infancy through age eight. To learn more about their wealth of free programs, see <u>http://</u>www.bourneforchildren.org.

And of course, the Friends of the Library attended, in the persons of Betsy Woodley and Helen Bresnahan. Helen is shown at left with Library Director Irja Finn, sporting hardhats with decals made on the Cricut machine donated by Friends. Betsy and Helen handed out lollipops, membership applications, bookmarks with details about our upcoming book sale, and more.

A Welcome to Spring

On Saturday, April 16, a full audience in the community room welcomed spring with Aine Minogue, an Irish harpist from County Tipperary. She began playing the harp at age twelve and became the harpist at Bunratty Castle. Since 1990, she has lived in the Boston area.

Minogue began the concert, which was sponsored by the Friends of the Library, with a poem by the wellloved Irish musician Tommy Makem. For the hourlong concert, she played instrumentals, sometimes singing to accompany the harp. Most of the music was Celtic, both traditional and new, but she slipped in the theme from *Outlander* as well.

She also spoke about the history of the harp and other topics. She surprised the audience with the information that the harp developed from the bow and arrow, and that every culture that used these weapons also developed some version of the harp. She told the story of the selkie, a mysterious mythological being who could change from a seal to a human being by shedding its seal skin. She mentioned that the harp used to be an instrument for women but that now it male harpists are common as well. And she even taught the audience a little Gaelic, the word for peace — *Siochán* — before singing "The Dove's Return: A Wish for Peace."

The harp is a symbol of Ireland, appearing on both the Irish flag, on coins including the Irish euro, and on official documents from birth certificates to passports.

If you missed the concert and would like to hear some of Aine Minogue's music or learn more, here are some helpful links:

Her website https://aineminogue.com/

A selection of her meditation music <u>https://www.youtube.com/playlist?</u> <u>list=PL0upCGjHbI61z-gfPAUiNWQGf7uS_fZDJ</u>

An introduction to traditional Irish music <u>https://www.irishcentral.com/roots/history/history-</u> <u>origins-traditional-irish-music</u>





Have you been spending your winter evenings curled up with great books? Are you out of shelf space in your bookcases? The Friends of the Bourne Library have the answer for you!

Our next pop-up book sale will be in May. On May 7 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., we will be collecting books for re-sale. So don't throw those gently-used books out when you do your spring cleaning! (Please, no mildewed or torn books.) Dust them off and bring them to the library to donate.

Then you'll have room—for the new books you buy so inexpensively at the May outdoor book sale on May 21! (See next page for more information.)



IT'S SPRING!

And that means the Jonathan Bourne Library outdoor spring book sale is on! Saturday, May 21 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. In the Library parking lot (Spring showers? Rain date is May 22)

Treasurer's Report

May Treasurer's Report



What do tulips, daffodils and the Friends have in common? We are all here to support our library!

The year is off to a very good start. To date the Friends have paid for 15 programs, one major online reading service and half of the museum passes. We are also offering three \$1,500 scholarships. The deadline for applications is May 15.

Here is a quick look at our Budget.

Budget of \$32,400		On 4-30-22
Expenses	Spent	Remaining
Programs	\$4,552	\$10,948
Museum Passes	\$1,970	\$3,030
Scholarships	\$0	\$4,500
Online Services		
& Office	\$2,097	\$4,903
Total	\$8,619	\$23,381
Income	Received	Remaining
Dues, Donations		
& Fund Raising	\$3,449	\$5,951
Brokerage Act.	\$0	\$23,000
Total	\$3,449	\$28,951

Our Town is a better place because of our library and the services that it provides to the community. The Friends provide the additional resources that help the library thrive.

All of your support goes to fund the free programs and museum passes that are offered at the library. Thank you!

Why Join the Friends?

What are the benefits of being a member?

A library is more than a collection of books. It is a place to read, study and learn. Here minds grow. People of all ages find comfort and solace within the walls of a library. Children grow up here and learn to love reading. Events draw people together with similar interests and friendships are made.

A library is beacon for freedom. In many ways it stands for all that is best in the world. There are no barriers here on age, race, creed, income, political party, or even how computer friendly you may be. The doors are open. The staff is here to help you.

These are the main reasons why a library is the heart of the community. These are the main reasons why you should join the Friends. Your dues and donations support the mission of the library. You help us to help the library. This is one easy way for you to give back to your community.

If you have ever been inspired by a library book, found comfort reading in a library on a rainy day, or enjoyed bringing your children or grandchildren to a library event, then you need to the join the Friends. Why? Because you have been touched by the joy of reading! Please help pass on that joy with your support for the Friends and encourage your own circle of personal friends to join you.

A membership application can be found at https://bournelibrary.org/Pages/Index/182460/friends-of-the-library. Just scroll down to the bottom of the page and clink on the link. You can also simply stop by the library circulation desk to pick up a copy the next time you visit.

"Bad libraries build collections, good libraries build services, great libraries build communities."

> —R. David Lankes, Director of the School of Library and information Services at the University of South Carolina

Upcoming Events for Children



These programs are offered by the Jonathan Bourne Public Library and the Bourne For Children CFCE grant awarded to the Bourne Public School by the Department of Early Education and Care.

Bring your favorite teddy bear and join us on the lawn at the Jonathan Bourne Public Library for a Teddy Bear Picnic with stories and smiles provided by Big Ryan Friday, June 10th @ noon Don't forget your picnic lunch & blanket!



Upcoming Events for Children

Summer Reading

Kick-off Dance Party

Thursday, June 30th 1-3pm

There is SO much to read, and do at the library this summer!

Join Dj Ooch and celebrate the beginning of Summer Ice cream will be available to purchase from

Frosty Friends Ice Cream & Treats



NEW DATE

Thursday, May 5 @ 7 pm

JBPL Virtual Book Club on Zoom

Hamnet

by Maggie O'Farrell

An emotionally-charged novel about grief after the death of a child during the bubonic plague

For the Zoom link register at www.bournelibrary.org



PEARL WHITFIELD

TO GIVE free READING

When: Saturday May 21Time:2 to 4 pmWhere:Jonathan Bourne Public Library19 Sandwich RoadBourne MA





Ever wonder about the differences between white, green, oolong and black teas or loose tea vs. tea bags? Come learn about the different types of tea and production processes. Let Danielle from The Cozy Tea Cart demystify all your questions while you enjoy tea samples from around the world.

Bring your own tea cup to enjoy tea samples and be eligible for prizes!



Registration required @ www.bournelibrary.org

SATURDAY, JUNE 18

3PM

Love songs from Broadway

Join us at the Jonathan Bourne Public Library for an afternoon of music. Vocalist Stephanie Miele and pianist Lucy Banner will present Love Songs from Broadway. Spend an hour with composers and lyricists who made Broadway great including Cole Porter, Richard Rodgers, Oscar Hammerstein, Lorenz Hart, Jerry Herman, Irving Berlin, Leonard Bernstein, Lin-Manuel Miranda, John Kander and Fred Ebb, and Stephen Sondheim. Perhaps you have seen and enjoyed some of their shows and will recognize the songs But expect some lesser-known treasures as well Please register @www.bournelibrary.org



"Quite possibly the best debut novel this year!"

2022 Calendar

Monthly Board meetings are on the 4th Monday of the month from 1:00–3:00 p.m. in the Library Community Room. (Meetings may be held by Zoom, at the discretion of the President.) <u>Please note that the</u> <u>calendar will be updated in each newsletter if dates</u> <u>change.</u>

<u>May</u>

Monday, May 23 – 1 p.m. meeting

May-June Newsletter

Saturday, May 7, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Book donations collected

Saturday, May 21, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Book sale

Book sale rain date: Sunday, May 22, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

<u>June</u>

Monday, June 27 – 1 p.m. meeting

July

July-August Newsletter

Monday, July 25 – 1 p.m. meeting

<u>August</u>

Monday, August 22 – 1 p.m. meeting

September

September-October Newsletter

Saturday, September 17: Cape Cod Canal Day Booth

Saturday, September 24, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. - Book donations collected

Monday, September 26 – 1 p.m. meeting

<u>October</u>

Saturday, October 1, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Book Sale

Book sale rain date: Sunday, October 2, 10 a.m.-2 p.m..

ANNUAL MEETING, date and time TBD

Monday, October 24 – 1 p.m. meeting

An Easier Way to Give

We have added PayPal to our Friends page on the Library web-site. There are two buttons there, one for membership dues; the other is for donations.

PayPal

We would be delighted to have you "click away"; and send what you can to support your Library.

2021-2022 Board

Marilyn Tarallo, President Open Position, Vice President Nancy Selchan, Secretary Pat Nemeth, Treasurer Eileen Mattingly, Communications Patty Robidoux, Membership Laura Bergeron, Helen Bresnahan, Kathy Cardeiro, Anne Gregory,

Amy Shank, Betsy Woodley, Members at Large

<u>November</u>

November-December Newsletter

Caring & Sharing:

Drop off @ Library Fri. Nov. 4 & Sat. Nov. 5

Bidding Nov. 7 – 29

Winners notified Nov. 30

Payments through PayPal by Dec. 2

Pick up on Sat. Dec. 3

Monday, November 28 – 1 p.m. meeting

<u>December</u>

Christmas in Old Bourne – date TBD, Tree Lighting & Treats – 5:00 pm

No Board Meeting