Letter from the President

So much happiness floats around us this time of year. The warm weather, the ice cream stands opening, flowers being planted, graduations, weddings, as well as all type of celebrations, but for us the best part of this time of year is the Spring Book Sale.

This year, we were blessed with fantastic weather (although it did get a little hot – not complaining – just stating a fact). There were a great number of books donated, with a wide variety of newer books, which is ALWAYS a big plus. Young women from the Bourne field hockey team assisted us on Saturday as we set up. We greatly appreciated the help, especially those of us who are on the older side of life! Paul Split, once again, graced us with his knowledge, his seeds, and even a few tomato plants he started — all FREE! As I am writing, we are still awaiting confirmation on the final sales figure. Once it comes in, we will be happy to share it with all of you.

So we owe many, many thanks to the donors, who took the time to scour their bookshelves for volumes they wished to donate; to the many volunteers who turned out to help with the rigors of setting up tables and arranging (and re-arranging) books all day; to those who cheerfully shopped in the afternoon heat to find appealing books and even donated a little extra; and to those who stayed later to help store unsold books, tables, signs, and more.

We are looking forward to sitting back to enjoy our upcoming summer months with the many great concerts and children’s programs the library will be conducting. It is because of the profits we make at our book sales that we are able to fund the majority — if not all — of these programs.

Marilyn Tarallo
President
Once again the weather gods smiled on the Friends of the Library as we held our semi-annual book sale on a beautiful Saturday, May 13. Once again, the people of Bourne brought literally a ton of books during our short two-hour donation window. And once again astute shoppers turned up to buy almost new, hardback bestsellers for $2.00.

To put all this together, we had a record number of Friends volunteers. When new Assistant Director Colleen Callaghan came in early to open the building for us, these volunteers pulled tables from the community room outside, lined them up, and filled them with large-print books and children’s books. New tables donated by Kathy Fox Alfano supplemented our rather beat-up and heavy old tables, but all were put to use because of the huge number of donated books.

Horticulturalist Paul Split was there was again as a special guest, bringing free seed packets and even sprouted tomato seedlings to give away, along with his gardening advice honed over his long career.

And once again, students from Bourne High School’s field hockey team and National Honor Society brought their energy and strength to the most challenging part of the day, setting up the whole sale in under two hours.

The end result was that the book sale netted $1,934, considerably more than last year. All the proceeds will flow into supporting our wonderful children’s programs, including the summer reading extravaganza run by Ms. Terry Johnson, and other stimulating programs for adults as well. (See pages 5-6 for examples of great Library programs.)

If you would like to join the Friends of the Library to support these programs, just fill out the application form on the next page, add a check or use PayPal for your membership dues, and mail it in or drop it off at the library on your next visit. You can also support by volunteering to help with our next book sale in the fall! And please—keep reading!
Application to Friends of the Jonathan Bourne Public Library

The Friends of the Jonathan Bourne Public Library is a non-profit organization that promotes our Library. We help fund programs, resources, services and equipment not made available through the normal operating budget or capital outlays appropriated by the Town of Bourne. Your membership entitles you to attend our monthly meetings.

Please print and complete the application below, and drop off at the library or mail to:

Friends of the Jonathan Bourne Public Library
19 Sandwich Road, Bourne, MA 02532

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Help us provide more free programs and services at the Library!

Additional Donation

Total

You can join by going to the Jonathan Bourne Public Library website and click on “Friends”. You can pay via PAYPAL. [https://www.bournelibrary.org/Pages/Index/182460/friends-of-the-library](https://www.bournelibrary.org/Pages/Index/182460/friends-of-the-library)

We are always in search of volunteers. Would you be interested in helping in one of the following areas?

Events & Activities _______ Book Sale _______
Caring & Sharing _________ Publicity / Marketing _________

“The more we read, the better we can build up and expand our knowledge.”
Oh boy! It is time to celebrate warmer weather, blossoms and books. The Friends are about one-third of the way into the Budget year. To date we have funded fifteen programs and renewed seven museum passes.

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The Friends Budget is funded 70% from an endowment and 30% from dues, donations and fund raising. Your support allows us to provide many free events to the community.

Managing the endowment fund is a responsibility taken very seriously by the Board. This fund is currently invested in a conservatively arrayed mix of stocks. The Board is considering whether to shift the portfolio to a ESG (Environment, Social, Governance) mix of stocks. As ESG rated company is one that factors their financial decisions with concern for the environment and social equity. They are governed with transparent ethical practices.

We would love to know what you think. Please share your views with us at JBPLFriends@gmail.com.

The Board will discuss the option of shifting our funds to an ESG portfolio at our meeting on July 24, at 1:00 pm, in the Community Room at the Library. Any member of The Friends is invited to participate.

—Pat Nemeth
Treasurer

Some books are more valuable than others. This we all know. Every time books are donated, a small percentage of them may have a higher resale value on eBay.

The Friends are seeking a Volunteer to manage an eBay Book Sale program. If you have time and are willing to help, we would be thrilled!

Here is how the program would work.

At each Book Sale, members of The Friends would sort out potential books for resale.

The Volunteer would check each book on eBay and see what its listed value is. Books with a value less then $25 would be returned to the next Book Sale.

Books with a greater value would be listed. The Volunteer would photograph the book, determine a competitive price, and list it for sale in a Friends eBay account.

Once sold, the Volunteer would package and mail the book. Mailing costs would be paid by the Friends.

This is a great way to help support the library. If you are interested and wish to discuss this further, please contact us at JBPLFriends@gmail.com.
# May at the Bourne Library

## Events and Programs

The following May programs are still available as of the date of publication:

**May 20** - 1:00 pm – Joys of Nature presents – Native Plant Gardening for Wildlife

### Art Show

**May 8 – 27**  Wood Turning Display – Cape Cod Wood Turning

### Ongoing Monthly Events in May at Bourne Library

**Ask a Public Nurse** – May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 - (10:00 to 11:00 am)

Sponsored by the Bourne Health Department and the VNA of Cape Cod Public Health and Wellness Division. Walk-ins Welcome – First Come, First Serve

**Seed Library** – grab some seeds, plant and then harvest seeds in the fall for our seed library.

**Crochet** – Tuesday afternoon 1:00 – 2:00 pm – **NEW PROGRAM** – All levels welcome (try our beginner project)

**Knitting Group** - Tuesday afternoon 2:00 – 3:00 pm and Wednesday evenings 6:30 – 7:30 pm.

All abilities welcome – bring your own project or try our beginner project

**Mystery Book Club** – 6:30 on zoom – 4th Thursday (call library 508.759.6302 for zoom link)

**Wednesday Afternoon Readers** – 2:00 pm – 3rd Wednesday at Bourne Library

**Legos** – Drop-in - Tuesdays 6:00 – 7:00 pm

**Little Builders** - Story and Play – Drop-in Thursday 10:00 – 11:00 am

**Babies & Books** – Monday 9:15 – 10:00 am - Please register @ www.bournelibrary.org

**Toddler Hop, Skip and Read** – Monday 10:15 – 11:15 am - Please register @ www.bournelibrary.org

**Preschool Storytime** – Friday 10:00 – 10:45 am- Please register @ www.bournelibrary.org

**JBCC Community Play Group**

**Play & Learn** – Wednesdays 9:30 am

For More Information Email - [TJohnson@Bournelibrary.Org](mailto:TJohnson@Bournelibrary.Org) or [Mdankert@Bourneps.Org](mailto:Mdankert@Bourneps.Org)

**Bournedale Elementary**

Toddler Hop Skip Read - Thursday 9:15 - 10am - Please register @ www.bournelibrary.org

Pre-school Story Time - Thursday 10:15 - 11am - Please register @ www.bournelibrary.org

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June events are continued on next page.
June 2023 at Bourne Library

www.bournelibrary.org

Events and Programs

June 9 – Teddy Bear Picnic - Pack your lunch & teddy bear and join us in the Children's Garden for silly stories with Big Ryan.

June 13 – “Get Your Jam On” – Learn how to make jam and take a jar home. Please register @ www.bournelibrary.org. ($ 5.00 co-pay)

June 28 - Summer Discovery Kick-off - join us in the Children's Garden for our Summer Reading Dance Party with DJ Ooch and our giant friend Hodge Podge. Sign up for summer reading and learn all about the fun programs we are offering this summer. Ice cream will be available to purchase from the Frosty Friends Ice Cream Truck.

Ongoing Monthly Events in June at Bourne Library

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Wednesday Writing Group (open to all levels) – First Wednesday – 2:00 – 4:00 pm

Legos – Drop-in – June 6 - 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Little Builders - Story and Play – Drop-in June 1 and June 8 - 10:00 – 11:00 am

Check the website calendar for more upcoming summer activities!
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. Please use the donation button to pay for Caring and Sharing items.

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

2023 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.) Please note that the calendar will be updated in each newsletter if dates change.

May

Monthly Board Meeting – May 22, 2023

May-June Newsletter

June

Monthly Board Meeting – June 26, 2023

July-August Newsletter

July

Monthly Board Meeting – July 24, 2023

Staff funding request for 2024

Own a piece of Bourne’s History!

If you have ever come to the community room at the Jonathan Bourne Library, you have no doubt seen the amazing quilt that hangs in a case there. The images in the quilt are all scenes from Bourne’s history, drawn by art teachers in local schools and appliqued and quilted by a group of local quilters. A coloring book was made from these sketches and is still available for you to see in the children’s room. But a newly-reprinted edition with additional information is now available for sale. You can purchase a copy at the front desk for $5.00. All proceeds from the sales go to support library programs.