Friends of the Jonathan Bourne Public Library September-October 2023 Newsletter

## Letter from the President

# HAPPY FALL!

This time of year, is very busy for the Friends. We have several big events coming up this fall. One that is ongoing is the Reign Car Wash fundraiser. Thirty percent (30%) of the \$26 car wash will go directly to the Friends to help keep us supporting our mission of funding, over and above, the Jonathan Bourne Public Library. This fundraiser ends on November 29, 2023. We very much appreciate your support.

On October 23, 2023 we will hold our Annual Meeting. We hold our annual elections, adopt the budget for next years' needs at the library, and we hope to entertain the families of the guilters who designed, made, and completed the Bi-centennial Quilt that graces our wall in the Community Room. We had a six-page article, written by one of our own, Eileen Mattingly, printed in the September 2023 issue of the American Quilter. Each of the quilters will receive a copy of the issue. Personally, I'm in awe of the quilt as well as the article written so beautifully describing the process of the quilt. Thank you, Eileen, not only for your article, but for the time (and it was a lot) you invested in the project. We would love for all our members to come and join us on October 23!

November brings us to the 2023 Auction. We have collectively decided to make this year's Friends Season of Giving Auction a fundraiser for the Friends of the Jonathan Bourne Public Library so we may continue our mission in supporting our many programs

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for the library. The cost of everything has unfortunately gone up and continues to climb! We hope those of you who contribute, and those of you who wish to contribute, will continue to assist our mission. Letters will be sent out to those who have donated in the past. If haven't donated in the past and wish to do so, please contact me at <u>metarallo@gmail.com</u>. It is a wonderful event, which creates a festive holiday atmosphere in the library.

On a sad note, we will be saying goodbye to our Treasurer and friend, Pat Nemeth as she has decided to be closer to her family. We wish her the very best in her decision and future endeavors. Pat will be solely missed by each and every one of us!

BEST OF LUCK, PAT!





# 2023

FRIENDS SEASON OF GIVING

A Bourne Holiday Tradition

September 2023

Dear Friends,

It is that time of year to think of the **2023 SEASON OF GIVING SILENT AUCTION**. One of our wonderful Bourne traditions is here again. We are happy to report that the auction will be back in the library! You are invited to be a Donor!

This past year the Friends evaluated our fundraising events. We have come to the conclusion we should be devoting 100% of our energy to fulfilling the Friends' mission of supporting the library programs. As a result, we want you to know if you decide to donate to the Friends Season of Giving Auction, 100% of the money earned will be donated to our mission of supporting the library. This was NOT an easy decision, and we hope you will continue to donate your items to benefit the Jonathan Bourne Public Library.

Your donations decorate the library; and bidding on the items is all part of the holiday fun. Plus, this is a wonderful way to share your talent with your donated items. Donations must be new. Only battery-powered tabletop trees can be turned on in the library. Here are the details:

Donations	<ul> <li>Each donor may submit up to 5 items. A donation form must be submitted by November 1st for each item. The form is attached. Email the form to <a href="mailto@gmail.com">metarallo@gmail.com</a></li> <li>Donations will be received at the library on:         <ul> <li>Friday, November 3, from 1:00 to 4:00 pm, and on</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Auction	- Saturday, November 4, from 9:00 am to noon. The auction will run from November 8 to December 1.
Payment	Winners will be notified by email and phone on December 2. Payments are be made with PayPal or by check. We cannot accept cash. See the Friends' page on the library website for the link. Payments are due by 5:00 p.m. on December 5.
Pick-up	Items are to be picked up on Saturday, December 9, at the library, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Thank you in advance for your generosity. Please help us spread the word and share this invitation with your friends. Happy Holidays!

Marilyn Tarallo, President metarallo@gmail.com

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

## Member News

# Fall Book Sale Cancelled

The book collection drive and book sale originally scheduled for September had to be cancelled because of dire weather predictions. This was a big disappointment to the Friends, to the Library staff, and to the community at large.

We are looking at ways to hold smaller, intermediate term book sales during the fall and winter, however. And remember—our bookcases at the side entrance of the library are packed full of tempting reads for book sale bargain prices.



Our beloved treasurer Pat Nemeth is moving away, and we need someone to take over her responsibilities as treasurer. Our new treasurer should have good communication skills, be careful and accurate in making payments and collecting funds, and should wholeheartedly support the goals of the Friends. If this describes you, please contact Marilyn Tarallo at metarallo@gmail.com.

Meanwhile, our deep thanks go to our interim treasurer, Bill Prodouz, for stepping up to tide us over.

Do you have a favorite book you would like to review for this newsletter? Send your review to:

eileenmattingly@yahoo.com.



Have a clean car to go leaf-peeping this fall, and support the Bourne Library at the same time! The Reign Car Wash in Wareham is donating 30% of each \$26 car wash directly to the Friends of the Library.

# Reign Car Wash 3013 Cranberry Highway Wareham, MA



# 2023 Friends Accomplishments



In addition, the Friends Board is pleased to announce that the two brokerage accounts have been transitioned to ESG (Environment, Sustainability, Governance) rated stocks. (One brokerage account is the endowment account for library programs; the other brokerage account is a building fund account.)

# Treasurer's Report



FRIENDS of the Jonathan Bourne Public Library

#### September 2023 – Treasurer's Report

#### Major Updates:

- Paid for 3 adult programs: Jam Making @ \$350, Matt York Musical Performance @ \$200, The Salem Witch Trials presentation @ \$250.
- Paid for 2 children's programs: Toe Jam Halloween Show @ \$500, Nature's Real Vampires @ \$235
- Sent flowers to Board member Laura Bergeron in sympathy for the loss of her mother and younger brother.
- Paid \$555 to renew SWANK Movie Licensing service.
- Transferred \$600 from Children's Programs to Adult Programs to keep both line items in balance.



#### Budget Status 9/19/23

	2023 Budget	Spent	Remaining
Adult Programs	\$8,100	\$8,051	\$49
Children Programs	\$8,400	\$7,479	\$921
Museum Passes	\$4,900	\$2,647	\$2,253
Equipment & Online Services	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0
Office	\$3,500	\$1,359	\$2,141
Contingency	\$3,000	\$1,222	\$1,778
Total to Fund	\$30,900	\$23,758	\$7,142

	2023 Budget	Raised	Remaining
Dues	\$1,800	\$1,545	\$255
Donations	\$4,000	\$748	\$3,252
Fund Raising	\$3,500	\$3,251	\$249
Brokerage Act.	\$21,600	\$21,600	\$0
Total	\$30,900	\$27,144	\$3,756

Friends Checking @ \$12,602, (plus \$3,347 held in reserves for the new benches) Beacon Checking @ \$2,347

Books give a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination and life to everything else.

Plato



Prepared by Pat Nemeth, Treasurer

# Proposed Annual Budget for 2024



## **Friends Proposed 2024 Budget**

**The Friends of the Jonathan Bourne Public Library** exists to enhance the resources of the Library and to encourage all members of our community to benefit from the Library. The Board's Proposed 2024 Budget is presented for the approval of the membership of the Friends at the Annual Meeting on October 23,2023 at 1:00 pm in the Community Room at the library.

	2024 Budget
Adult Programs	\$7,500
Children Programs	\$9,000
Museum Passes	\$5,000
Equipment & Online Services	\$3,000
Office	\$3,500
Contingency	\$3,000
Total to Fund	\$31,000
Brokerage Fees	\$8,729

### 2024 Budget

	2024 Budget
Dues	\$1,800
Donations	\$4,000
Fund Raising	\$3,500
Brokerage Act.	\$21,700
Total	\$31,000

#### As of 10/1/23:

Brokerage Account: \$677,714 Building Fund Brokerage Account: \$118,103 Cash reserves in the two checking accounts @ \$17,530.

#### 2024 Museum Passes

Boston Children's Museum	Museum of Fine Arts	
Buttonwood Park Zoo	New Bedford Whaling	
Cape Cod Children's Museum	New England Aquarium	
Heritage Museum & Gardens	Plimoth Patuxet & Mayflower	
Isabel Stewart Gardner	Roger Williams Zoo Park	

#### **Online Services**

Online services will be renewed for Book Page Guide, and Swank Movie Licensing.





## NATURE'S REAL VAMPIRES SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28TH 10AM @ THE BOURNE PUBLIC LIBRARY

LEECHES, BATS AND OTHER SPOOKY CREATURES. COME LEARN ABOUT REAL ANIMALS THAT SCARE AND SPOOK US, ALL YEAR ROUND & MAKE A FUN CRAFT.

FOR KIDS 4 AND UP



# 2023 Calendar

Monthly Board meetings are on the 4<sup>th</sup> 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 calendar will be updated in each newsletter if dates change.</u>

**October** 

October 23 – ANNUAL MEETING – 1:00 pm November-December Newsletter

November

November 27 – 1:00 pm

**Staff Appreciation** 

Silent Auction drop-off Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. & Nov 4<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m. - noon

AUCTION: 11/08 - 12/01

<u>December</u>

No Board Meeting

Christmas in Old Bourne – TBD

**Silent Auction** 

Winners will be notified on 12/02

Pick-up on Saturday, 12/8/23, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

## Own a piece of Bourne's History!



If you have been in the community room at the 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 color-

ing book made from these sketches is still available for you to see in the children's room. But a newlyreprinted edition with additional information is now available for sale at the front desk for \$5.00. All proceeds from the sales go to support library programs.

## 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.



<u>Please use the donation button to pay for Caring</u> and Sharing items.

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

## <u>2022-2023 Board</u>

Marilyn Tarallo, President Open Position, Vice President Nancy Selchan, Secretary Pat Nemeth, Treasurer Eileen Mattingly, Communications Open Position, Membership Laura Bergeron, Helen Bresnahan, Anne Gregory, Betsy Woodley, Members at Large

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