



Friends of the Jonathan Bourne Public Library, Inc. February-March 2020 Newsletter

A Letter from the President

"New year, new you."

"Start off 2020 by giving to others."

"Surround yourself with positive people this year."

We have all seen the familiar slogans in the magazines at the beginning of January touting the New Year's resolutions and thought that this is going to be the year that we make that positive change. Data suggests that 80% of people will lose the momentum to improve themselves by mid-February. That means, I still have time to encourage you to choose the JBPL Friends as a group that you want become more involved with this year!

Our first monthly meeting of the decade was filled with great ideas and lots of enthusiasm. The attendees were exploring new ways to earn more money on high-end books, how to restart the senior citizen book delivery program to local facilities, and setting up a training to teach people how to sort donated books for our ongoing and upcoming book sales. All these ideas need volunteers to make it happen. You will meet new people, learn new skills, and be able to fulfill that New Year's resolution once and for all.

Our goal this year is to make it easier for our members to get involved. We will be asking for help on specific tasks at the end of each meeting and sending email notifications for short term projects. For those that are unable to help during the workday, we will begin offering committee meetings in the evenings to allow you to contribute your ideas and time. Please be on the lookout for those email announcements and consider joining us for an hour to bring your skills to the library.

Personally, I have resolved to attend more cultural events in our area. That will mean checking the local

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newspapers in the library and using the library passes to plan my visits and fulfill my resolution. I will not be a statistic and lose my momentum by next month. Instead, I will lean on my library resources and enjoy some new events on Cape Cod. Maybe we can discuss what I saw the next time we volunteer together? Hope to see you soon!

Your friend,
Heather A.M. DiPaolo
FOL President

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Introducing Librarian Sara Rose: “Hometown Girl” Comes Home



Meet Sara Rose, the new librarian in charge of technology at the Jonathan Bourne Public Library. Sara was born and raised in Monument Beach; as a child, she went to the Jonathan Bourne Public Library often with her mother. In fact, it was there as a girl that she first met Diane Ranney. She attended Bourne High School as a teenager and then majored in history at Bridgewater State University.

After graduation, she considered going to law school, but a temporary stint in a law firm convinced her that being a lawyer was not a career she could wholeheartedly love. Instead, on the advice of a friend, she decided to study library science, and completed her Master’s degree in Library and Information Science (MLIS) at Simmons University in Boston with a concentration in Archives Management

After graduation, Sara first worked at the New Bedford Whaling Museum, preserving historical documents in the museum archives. However, she found that she missed the face-to-face contact with library patrons, so she moved to work as a reference librarian in Hanover. Acquiring additional technical knowledge and skills, she was well-prepared for her new position at JBPL as our chief technology expert.

In this position, she sees the library as the “living room of the community,” and is eager to help library patrons, whether they are searching for information or learning how to use new technology. So if you received a new Kindle or iPad over the holidays and don’t know how to use them, make an appointment to meet Sara and get expert help with your new technology. As one of Sara’s favorite quotes, from the novelist Neil Gaiman, says: “Google can bring you back 100,000 answers. A librarian can bring you back the right one.”



Here are some upcoming events scheduled at the library. See the library website at <http://www.bournelibrary.org/> for details. Note that admission to some of these great events is a donation of PJs. (See p. 8.)

Feb. 8, 10 a.m. Sea, Sand, Surf

Explore our oceans and investigate their creatures. Make a mini-ocean to take home!

Feb. 13, 5:30-7:00 p.m. Pups & PJs

Come read with the pups from the Companion Animal Program

Feb. 19, 10 a.m.-noon PJ Dance Party With DJ Ooch @ the Bourne Middle School Gym

Feb. 21, 10 a.m.-noon Bowling for PJs Come and bowl @Ryan Center Amusements

March 21, 10 a.m. World of Worms What has no eyes, breathes through its skin, and eats soil? Worms!! Examine worms up close and even take one home in a *wormerie* you make yourself!

Mark Your Calendar for These Upcoming Library Programs!

Looking for a Job in 2020 with Lissa Conn Saturday, February 1, 10 a.m.



Do you ever wonder what to do next, what the options are and how to get there? Finding a job is the hardest job you'll ever have, but with the right tools and knowledge it turns

from overwhelming to a successful accomplishment. Lissa Conn has helped people find jobs and companies find professionals at all levels for over 20+ years.

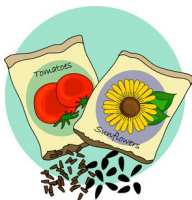
Film Showing : *Selma* (PG-13) Wednesday, February 5, 6 p.m.

A chronicle of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s campaign to secure equal voting rights via an epic march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, in 1965.



Indoor Seed Starting Workshop Saturday, February 8, 1 p.m.

There are so many more varieties of vegetables than what the big box stores and garden centers offer! Blackstone Valley Veggie Gardens will show you everything you need to know to seed start your 2020 garden indoors!



Toni Morrison's Birthday: A Tribute Wednesday, February 12, 7 p.m.



Shawn A. Christian, PhD, Associate Professor of English and African American Studies at Wheaton College, speaks to Morrison's incredible life and literary works.

Film Showing: *Harriet* (PG-13) Tuesday, February 18, 6 p.m.

The extraordinary tale of Harriet Tubman's escape from slavery and transformation into one of America's greatest heroes, whose courage, ingenuity, and tenacity freed hundreds of slaves and changed the course of history.



EBay Selling 101 Wednesday, March 4, 7 p.m.

This class covers the basics of selling on eBay, from research to shipping, a fantastic way to earn extra income. For the selling hobbyist or the serious entrepreneur. In this class you will learn how to create the perfect professional listing.



Identity theft & Fraud Protection

Wednesday, March 11, 7 p.m.

Robin Putnam, Research and Special Projects Manager from the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation and Amy Schram, Community Relations Manager from the Better Business Bureau will present on identity theft. The presentation will include information about their offices and what they do. It will also cover how to spot and avoid scams, how to prevent identity theft and what to do if your identity is compromised.



2019 Caring & Sharing



The 2019 Caring & Sharing Silent Auction at the Jonathan Bourne Public Library raised over \$4,000 to benefit 31 charities. Here are the results.

1	ALS Association, MA Chapter	\$30	17	Friends of JBPL	\$190
2	Aptuxet Garden Club	\$80	18	Friends of Falmouth Dogs	\$140
3	Barnstable Police K-9 Foundation	\$55	19	Habitat for Humanity	\$1,000
4	Beacon of Support	\$35	20	Herring Pond Wampanoag Tribe	\$95
5	Boston Children's Hospital Trust	\$25	21	Homes for Our Troops	\$115
6	Boston Children's Hospital	\$50	22	Independence Academy	\$205
7	Bourne Community Boating	\$125	23	Lee Ann Mannillo Foundation	\$50
8	Bourne Food Pantry	\$585	24	Planned Parenthood Fed. of Am.	\$45
9	Bourne High School Class of 2021	\$25	25	Pocasset Community Club	\$40
10	Bourne Youth Baseball	\$50	26	Sail Cape Cod	\$60
11	Bourne Youth Council	\$125	27	Samaritans of Cape Cod & the Islands	\$75
12	Butler Hospital Memory & Aging	\$125	28	Shot At Life	\$55
13	Cape Cod Cares for the Troops	\$65	29	St. Vincent De Paul Society	\$45
14	Cape Kid Meals	\$35	30	Sue Downing, Stuff A Bus	\$200
15	Cystic Fibrosis, Ski for the Cure	\$100	31	United Methodist Church Building	\$70
16	Doctors Without Borders	\$170		Total	\$4,065

But Caring & Sharing is about more than how much money was raised. Caring & Sharing is about good people going out of their way to help others. It is a community tradition that shares goodness. It is about people thinking about what to donate, often months in advance and going to work to be creative and make valuable donations. And it is a host of human interest stories. Here are a few stories from this year's program.

- A woman stands by a table top tree to be sure she has the last winning bid. She wants a pickle ornament that is on the tree. Years ago she tried to buy one for her daughter, but it broke and she has been looking for one ever since.
- A lady makes lovely blankets and a man has the winning bid on one of them. He has been trying for a number of years to win one of her blankets.
- A donation for Doctors without Borders caused a new friendship between the donor and a family whose son has worked for this charity.
- A Grandpa carefully watches a scooter to make sure he has the winning bid. Grandma has already said this is one item she really wants for one of their grandchildren.
- One summer day a donor begins to paint bird house ornaments. Her creativity produced a beautiful tree. She got a very good bid on the tree; but she wasn't finished. She went to work and got a matching bid from a car dealer. Then another donor gave her an ad for another car dealer's matching bid. By the time she was finished, she had made \$1,000 for her charity. Wow!

Many Thanks to all the Friends of the Jonathan Bourne Public Library who participated as donors and bidders! We look forward to working with you again in 2020!

Pajamas, Pajamas, Pajamas!

What does February mean to you? One month closer to Spring? Valentine's Day? To the staff at the Bourne Library, February means PAJAMAS! The Boston Bruins/Cradles to Crayons Annual Pajama Drive begins February 1 and runs through March 15. The Drive, which is sponsored with the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, is THE biggest children's program of the winter in Bourne.

Children's Librarian Terry Johnson and Children's Assistant Loretta Brochu, know that, once February rolls around, they will spend countless hours packaging and tallying the PJs so that not only will Bourne



claim the Title of "Best in Show" for collecting the most PJs, but also children of all ages across Massachusetts will have new pajamas to wear. The PJ Drive has been one of the most successful ways to clothe children who sometimes are taken out of their homes in only what they are wearing.

For the past 5 years, Bourne has been FIRST in the collection drive, which benefits local children who need pajamas. Anything from "onesies" to pajama pants for teens is accepted. We collect them, Cradles to Crayons of the Department of Children and Families distribute them. In past years, the Library has been challenged but always comes out on top. Last year, Bourne beat the challenger by 500+ pairs, donating a total of more than 3,000 pairs. This year's goal is 3,500!

The Library has a lot of fun ways to donate, including PJs for Fines, a PJ Dance Party and raffle tickets for some super prizes. Check the website (www.bournelibrary.org) for weekly events and get those PJs to Miss Terry as soon as you can! As Library Director Patrick Marshall said at a recent Friends meeting, "We are going for our sixth win, just like the Patriots last year." Any donation is welcome, but please make sure they are NEW PJs. (See our flyer on page 8 for more details.)

Membership Renewal

Dear Friends,

We hope you had a wonderful holiday season! The Friends of the Jonathan Bourne Public Library are gearing up for a great year of offerings and fundraising events for our members and library patrons.

We truly appreciate your past support and involvement with the Friends. As approved at our Fall Meeting, your annual dues will expire on February 28, 2020. Please submit your 2020 dues to the Friends in one of the following amounts.

- * Senior \$20.00
- * Individual \$30.00
- Household \$50.00
- Lifetime \$500.00 (one-time payment)

The address to send your dues to is:

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

Also, please note that the Friends are now online at JBPLFriends@gmail.com. We request your email address in order to send to you the latest meeting dates and agendas, Friends newsletters, and information on FUNdraising events.

Thank you for your continued support!

Tina Prodouz

Membership Chair
Friends of the Jonathan Bourne Public Library

More News from the Library....

Happy Trails to Lee!

Lee Savard, the Cataloging Assistant at the library, has retired after almost 20 years at the Library. Lee, whom many did not see as she was usually in the back room in Technical Services, started her career with Bourne on February 28, 2000 and left the library on January 6, 2020. Almost every book, DVD, music disc, and periodical was cataloged and processed by Lee over the last 20 years. She will now have more time with her grandchildren and family in North Carolina. Though she will be sorely missed, we wish her a long, healthy and happy retirement!

Do You “Stop and Shop”?

The Library was recently notified that it has been chosen as the recipient of this month’s Community Bag Program at Stop and Shop in East Wareham. What this means is that if you purchase a reusable Stop and Shop Community bag anytime during the month of February, \$1.00 of each sale will be donated to the Library. What a great way to save the planet while giving money to your favorite cause—the Bourne Library. Be sure to specify that you want to purchase the Community Bag so that the funds go to the library. The offer applies **ONLY** to the East Wareham store.

No Job Too Small...

As we left the Friends of the Library meeting on January 20, Patrick noted that one of the table legs was loose. So he got a wrench and fixed it right on the spot. He certainly personified the spirit of “no deed is too small.” Thanks to Pat Nemeth for snapping this photo.

Walking On Air— Except for March 2 and 3!

Well, all of us may not be walking on air, but it will feel like it when the new carpeting is installed in March. Director Patrick Marshall has informed the Friends that the Town of Bourne has approved the capital outlay request for new carpeting, and it will be installed the first week in March.

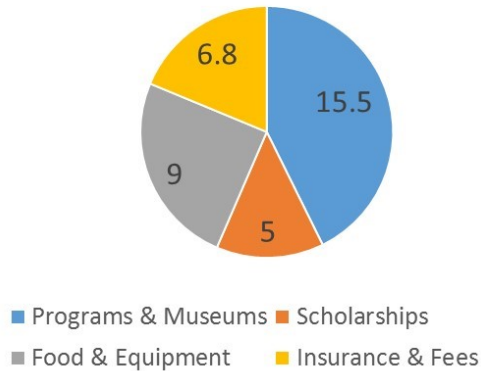
The downside to this long-awaited project is that the library needs to close March 2 and 3 to allow for the installation of the carpet tiles on the main floor. Although the project will continue throughout the week, these two days are crucial to having the carpet on the floor with the least amount of disruption to library services. Plan ahead, get your books on February 29 (you have an extra day this month!) or use any of the online services that JBPL offers. (And if you aren’t familiar with these services, stop in to see our newest librarian, Sara Rose, to help you with your tech devices!)



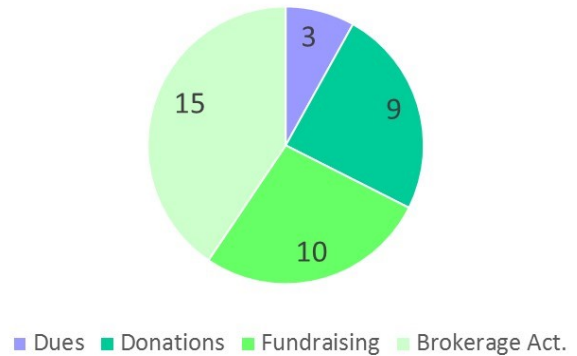
Treasurer's Report

Welcome to 2020! Our Budget for this year is \$36,300. The pie charts below show our planned expenditures and income. We are pleased to announce the addition of a Scholarship program to our Budget.

Expenditures in Thousands



Income in Thousands



Due to your generous support, we begin the year with healthy carry over funds in both our Friends (\$13.7K) and Beacon of Support (\$4.6K) checking accounts. Going forward we will provide you with regular status reports on the Budget.

Celebrate love

Shop for your valentine at smile.amazon.com, and Amazon donates.





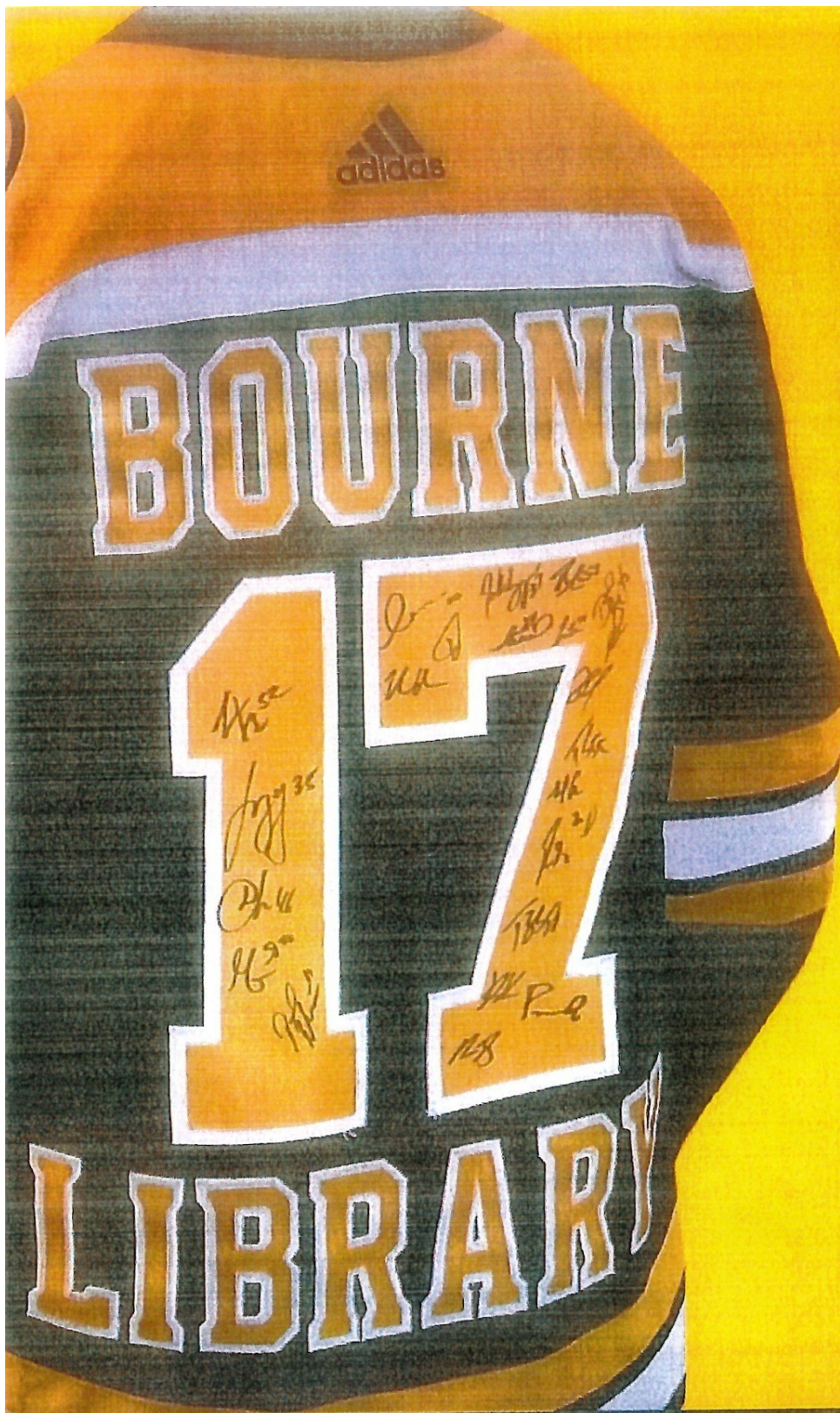
Put Amazon to work for the Bourne Public Library. Each purchase you make can benefit the library.

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/04-2580285>



Happy Valentine's Day to all book lovers!

Next Friends meeting dates: February 25 and March 24
All meetings begin at 10 a.m. See you there!



BOSTON BRUINS PJ DRIVE

FEB 1ST- MARCH 15TH
AT THE JBPL

DONATE NEW
PJS FOR KIDS
IN NEED!

SO MANY WAYS TO PARTICIPATE

RAFFLES & EVENTS ~ BOWLING FOR PAJAMAS ~ PAJAMA DANCE PARTY

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