



FRIENDS NEWSLETTER



Friends of the Norton Public Library

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Message from the President

Dear Friends,

I hope everyone had a wonderful summer and is looking forward to the fast approaching holiday season. The Friends are busily working on three upcoming fundraisers this fall; the Jewelry Jingle, semiannual Book Sale and a Holiday Craft Fair. Information on each of these can be found in this newsletter.

As our 2016 membership drive begins, I would like to welcome our new members to our group and thank our existing members for their continued support. If you have not renewed your membership, you can do so by returning the enclosed form to the library. Your dues and the fundraisers support the many adult and children’s programs that are offered throughout the year including the summer read program. If you enjoy these programs, please consider becoming a friend and volunteering at one of our fundraisers. The Friends also fund almost all of the library’s museum passes. These passes total approximately \$4000.00. Our Friends meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm. Meetings usually last about an hour. We would love to have you join us.

This fall our first fundraiser will be The Jewelry Jingle on October 22, 23, and 24 during library hours. Come and browse the collection of jewelry, scarves and purses. Our fall Book Sale will be held November 3 – 7 and The Holiday Craft Fair will be Sunday, December 6 from 10-3. Your support will help to keep the many library programs going. Please spread the word to your family and friends. We much appreciate your continued support.

Have a wonderful holiday season.

Sincerely,

Joanne Hadley

President, Friends of the Norton Public Library.

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Jewelry Jingle

Thurs.	Oct. 22	10am – 7pm
Fri.	Oct. 23	10am – 2pm
Sat.	Oct. 24	10am – 2pm

Stop by and browse our collections of gently used jewelry and accessories.

Rings, bracelets, earrings, scarves, etc.

100% of all proceeds go directly to the Library.

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Good libraries need good Friends!

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President: Joanne Hadley

Vice President: Barbara Hagg

Secretary: Jill Mathieu

Treasurer: Joan Casper

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The Friends meet on the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30 at the Norton Public Library.

All Friends are invited to attend.

Because of the book sale, the next Friends meeting will be moved to October 27 at 6:30

Annual fundraising events:

Spring and Fall Book Sales

Spring Plant and Bake Sale

Fall Flea Market

Norton Public Library staff contributing to this issue:

President: Joanne Hadley

Library Director: Lee Parker

Information Services Librarian: Amanda Viana

Youth Services Librarian: Leslieanne Costello

Fall Book Sale	Nov. 3-7
Tues. Nov. 3	4pm – 7pm Friends Only
It's a good evening to join the Friends!	
Wed. Nov. 4	10am – 3pm
Thurs. Nov. 5	10am – 7pm
Fri. Nov. 6	10am – 2pm
Sat. Nov. 7	9am – 12:30pm

Please note that Book Sale hours begin on Saturday before the library opens at 10am.

Gently used adult and children books, music and movies are for sale.



OTHER WAYS TO GIVE TO THE LIBRARY



amazon smile
You shop. Amazon gives.

- Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the charitable organization of your choice.
- AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same service.
- Support your charitable organization by starting your shopping *atsmile.amazon.com*.

When you go to *smile.amazon.com* there are spotlighted charities up top on the right, and below that is a box to choose your own charity. Type in Norton Public Library and search. **Make sure you select the Norton Public Library in MA, not KS!**




We're proud to announce a new partner in our fundraising efforts. We've joined TD Bank's Affinity Membership Program, which provides our organization the opportunity to earn annual cash contributions. We're thrilled with the ease of participating in this program and that there is no cost to our organization or our members. For additional information, stop by or visit your local TD Bank.

Chateau Give Back Gift Card Program

Purchase gift cards from the Chateau on their website, select "Friends of the Norton Library" for the community sponsor and the Chateau will give the friends 5% back every quarter. Chateau gift cards make great gifts!



The Friends appreciate the many donations of books we are receiving, but we ask that future donations be held until December 11th so we can make room for the next sale!

A Word from ...

Library Director Lee Parker & Information Services Librarian Amanda Viana

What a super summer we had here at the library. The summer reading theme for adults this year was “Escape the Ordinary” and we did that all summer long! Programs sponsored by the Friends included a screening of the Bridgewater Triangle documentary, a Breakfast for Heroes with local veterans, craft classes such as altered books, and three wonderful lectures: Going to Extremes, Galapagos Islands, and A Fireman of 1899. (The Friends also sponsored a wide variety of programs and prizes for the children and teens summer program Every Hero Has a Story, including Superhero Training Camp crafts and a fantastic Block Party Finale!)

Upcoming events for adults this fall/winter: make unique creations with repurposed materials at our Wednesday Crafternoon programs, create handmade gift tags with Betty Saccocia, play the Hollywood Quiz Show with Mr. DJ, attend a Concert with Tom Madden, and learn about *A Christmas Carol* with Gary Hylander. Ongoing programs include the Morning and Men’s monthly book groups, and the weekly Knot Just Knitting group—new members always welcome to all of these groups!

Keep up with us by checking our event calendar/website at nortonlibrary.org/events, pick up a monthly calendar at the library, or sign up for our email newsletter so you don’t miss out on anything! You can also find us on social media: Facebook, Twitter, Tumblr, Instagram, and Pinterest. We have a wide variety of programs for all ages and there is bound to be something that appeals to you. With fewer local newspapers, many people tell us they hear about library happenings online or by word of mouth – so help us spread the word!

We recently asked our patrons to complete a survey to help us develop a Long-Range Plan, and we received some great responses. The survey results will help the library plan for the future, and develop collections and services that Norton Library patrons want and need. The survey may be over but we want you to know that the library is always open to new ideas for the library collection, programs and other services. Your input will help us make our library even greater. Thank you for your feedback and support.

The staff, volunteers, trustees, and our amazing Friends are essential to the library. Their hard work has established the library as the hub of the community, and our awesome team at the library is ready to help you with your needs. The library is incredibly lucky to have such a dedicated and hardworking group of volunteers in our Friends. This amazing group works hard to better the library and the town—and there’s always room for more members. If you are not already a member of the Friends, won’t you please consider joining and helping make a difference? Volunteer opportunities include helping with fundraisers such as the Book Sale, Plant and Bake Sale, raffles, Jewelry Jingle, conducting programs and more. Be a part of a great team, make some new friends – and support the library community.

Enjoy the fall and the upcoming holiday season – and thank you for your support.

Lee Parker
Director

Amanda Viana,
Information Services Librarian

Do you know about all the programs that are sponsored by the Friends?



Most museum passes and many summer reading programs are sponsored by the Friends

Going to Extremes with Peter Mandel



Lectures - Fireman of 1899



Judy Bernstein - "I Slept with George Washington" & Breakfast for Heroes



Superhero Training Camp and Block Party

FROM THE YOUTH SERVICES LIBRARIAN

Say hello to the Jr. Friends!

This summer's teams of youth volunteers were so spectacular that we decided to morph the Library's small Jr. Friends afterschool club into a full-fledged youth volunteer and fundraising team. And we're always looking for more help. Here are some of the ways the Jr. Friends make the Norton Library more awesome:

- Helping young Lego builders find the pieces they need at our Lego Club events
- Decorating the giant back wall in the Children's Room
- Painting artwork on the Discovery Den Windows
- Adopting bookshelves to keep clean and orderly in the Juvenile & Young Adult sections of the Library
- Fundraising for Library programs with bake sales and more
- Doing the "heavy lifting" to set up for Library programs and events
- Representing the Library at community events like the Halloween Parade or the Festival of Lights
- Wielding the glue guns at craft programs
- Adding kids' baskets to the Friends of the Library Basket Raffle Fundraiser, and helping out at the Friends' annual Book Sales

And we're always coming up with fun, new ways to make a difference. Any child in grades four through twelve is welcome to join the Jr. Friends of the Norton Library at any time. For more information or to sign up, check out the Jr. Friends page under the "Friends" menu on the Library's webpage or ask the staff at Library!

Leslianne Costello

Youth Services Librarian



Don't forget to mark your calendars!

Upcoming Adult Programs

Oct. 29 at 6:30 PM "Lost Boston"

Nov.19 at 10:30 AM Hollywood Quiz Show



THE FRIENDS OF THE NORTON LIBRARY'S

JEWELRY JINGLE

100% of all proceeds go to the Norton Library

Stop by and browse the collection of new fashion and vintage jewelry and more, including rings, earrings, bracelets, necklaces, anklets, pins, scarves and pocketbooks!

THURSDAY, OCT. 22 from 10-7

FRIDAY, OCT. 23 from 10-2

SATURDAY, OCT. 24 from 10-1



The Friends of the Library's

FALL BOOK SALE





The Friends of the Norton Public Library will be holding their annual Fall Book Sale. Browse gently used adult and children's books, movies, music, puzzles and games. Proceeds support library programs for all ages!



NOV 3 • TUESDAY 4:00-7:00PM
**Friends' night only. It's a great night to join the Friends!*

NOV 4 • WEDNESDAY 10:00AM-3:00PM

NOV 5 • THURSDAY 10:00AM-7:00PM

NOV 6 • FRIDAY 10:00AM-2:00PM

NOV 7 • SATURDAY 9:00AM-12:30PM
**Please note that Book Sale hours begin before the library opens at 10:00am.*



Holiday Craft Fair

Sunday December 6, 10:00- 3:00

Come support the local crafters!

Be a Friend

Want to join the Friends of the Norton Library? Please fill out the membership form and return it to:

Friends of the Norton Library
68 East Main Street
Norton, Ma. 02766

Time to Renew?

Take the time to renew your Membership now. Please fill out the membership form and return it to the Friends. Please note on the form if you are interested in becoming involved with any activities. Any address changes, corrections, or questions regarding your membership please call the library or email

kerryannecummins@yahoo.com

Annual Membership Dues

Individual	\$ 10
Senior	\$ 5
Family	\$ 20
Sponsor	\$ 40
Corporate Sponsor	\$ 300

Volunteer Opportunities

The Friends are always in need of volunteers. Here are some of the ways you can help the Friends in addition to paying your membership dues:

- Chair a committee
- Be on the board of directors
- Coordinate a book sale
- Coordinate a plant sale
- Bake something for the bake sale
- Edit the newsletter
- Volunteer for a committee
- Work a book sale or plant sale

Come to a meeting to find out what you can do to help the Friends new faces and ideas are always welcomed.

Friends of the Norton Library Membership Form

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Year _____

Dues (circle one)

Individual \$10

Senior \$5

Family \$20

Sponsor \$40

Corporate Sponsor \$300

Life \$200

Dues are by calendar year with exception of Life membership. Payments received after Nov. 1 however

will count toward the following year also.

Please check off any events you may be interested in

helping with and a member of the Friends will contact

you before that event.

___ Book Sales

___ Plant Sales

___ Bake Sales

___ Serve on Board

___ Conduct a program

___ Other (explain)

Return form along with your membership dues to:

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Don't Miss These Upcoming Events

- **Oct. 22-24 Jewelry Jingle**
- **Nov. 3-7 Fall Book Sale**
- **Nov. 19 Hollywood Quiz Show**
- **Dec. 6 Holiday craft fair**
- **Dec. 17 Dickens's "A Christmas Carol"**