



HOLIDAY BOOK SALE



Member Preview	Friday, November 30	2 pm – 7 pm
Opening Day	Saturday, December 1	10 am – 4 pm
Day 2	Sunday, December 2	1 pm – 4 pm
Day 3	Monday, December 3	10 am – 4 pm
Closing Day	Tuesday, December 4	2 pm – 8 pm



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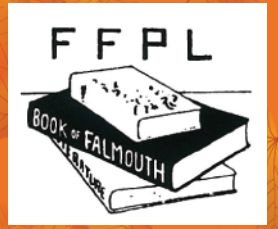
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Newsletter

Fall 2018



Long time Friends' supporter Jim Manning and his granddaughter, Cecelia Wolf



**FRIENDS'
BOOK
SALE**

*Fun for
all ages!*



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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello Friends,

Well, we pulled off another successful Summer Book Sale and work has already started to prepare for next year's sale. There were nearly 100 individual volunteers who worked at the sale. There are about twenty volunteers in the Friends' room year-round, sorting, pricing, and packing books. All of this hard work pays off, enabling us to give generously to the Library. Also, the Book Sale has become a tradition for residents of and visitors to Falmouth. Many people come every year to stock up on books, CDs, and DVDs. The positive comments that customers make have helped us realize that we are giving something really worthwhile to the community as well as to the Library.

Thanks for being Friends!

Jane Hewitt



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BOOK SALE PHOTOS



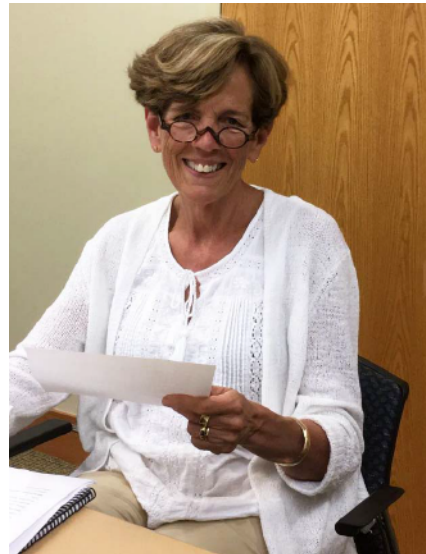
NEWS FROM NORTH FALMOUTH

The North Falmouth Book Club meets the first Wednesday of the month at 3 p.m. except for July and August. The participants choose the book for the next month ensuring a wide range of interests in the book selection and discussion. This fall brings Nursery Rhyme Time and Pre-School Story Time on Wednesday mornings. This past summer brought Candy Land to the branch.... on the ceiling. All ages enjoyed playing the game and checking out books on candy and other subjects!

Laurie McNee, Branch Librarian



GETTING TO KNOW THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR



Linda Collins, the Director of the Falmouth Public Library, has a lithograph of Liverpool, England on her office wall, a nostalgic reminder of the city where she was born. When Linda was just five-years-old, her family emigrated to Canada; and six months later she and the family moved to the United States when her father was hired by Stone and Webster to be a structural engineer. The family first lived in Newton and Ashland before settling in Framingham, where Linda graduated from high school. She attended the University of Massachusetts for a year and a half before moving to Kentucky with her husband John who was pursuing a graduate degree. After living a few years in West Virginia, Linda and John moved to Foxborough when John became a librarian at Boston University. They bought a small farm in Foxborough where they lived for 27 years with dogs, horses, and their two children

Dylan and Hannah. During the 1980s, Linda obtained an undergraduate degree in accounting and business management from Leslie College and worked as a Circulation Manager at Wheaton College in Norton. It was at this time she recalls that "I had found my place." She knew she wanted to have a career as a librarian and enrolled in a Masters program at the University of Rhode Island. As avid runners and boaters, Linda and John bought a Falmouth cottage in 1998. "It was important to have a Falmouth address," Linda notes, "to guarantee a number in the Falmouth road race. And we love being on the water and spending time on Martha's Vineyard." For the record, John has run the race 19 times and Linda has run it 22 times.

When John obtained his doctorate at Boston University, he became the Library Director of the Graduate School of Education at Harvard University and Linda was hired to work at Harvard's undergraduate Lamont Library. They purchased a condominium in Harvard Square, which they owned from 2005 to 2016. Linda says, "It was fun to have the city experience, as was living on the farm, but my heart was on the Cape." When she was offered an early retirement in 2012, she was able to move to the Cape and accept the job as assistant director at the Falmouth Public Library, becoming the director in 2017 when Leslie Morrissey retired in 2016. "If I had known how much fun public libraries were compared to academia, I would have worked in them years ago. There is more freedom working in a public library and the groups are much more diverse."

Linda believes the library should be open to everyone in the community, a gathering place for public conversation and culture. For her, the best parts of our enlarged library are the popular, well-equipped meeting rooms and the available wall space throughout the library to display the works of local artists. As many people know, Linda is an accomplished artist and a member of the Falmouth Artists' Guild. She has taken portraiture classes in Cambridge, art classes with local artist Hillary Osborne, and art workshops at the prestigious Landgrove Inn in Vermont for the past four years. The Falmouth community and the Friends of the Falmouth Public Library are fortunate to have Linda as its Library Director. She is a talented, methodical administrator who always goes out of her way to help and to support the goals of the library and the varied activities of the Friends. She is a valued town leader and "friend" to many of us.

JOY OF LEARNING FALL 2018 SCHEDULE

SHORT STORIES OF NATHANIEL HAWTHORNE

Nathaniel Hawthorne was an American author of the 19th century and a major contributor to what became known as the American Renaissance period of our literature. While his most famous works are his two novels -- **The Scarlet Letter** and **The House Of The Seven Gables** -- he started with short stories in **Twice Told Tales** and in these tales established many of his most important themes. He is closely identified with Salem, Massachusetts – which just happens to be the birthplace and early home of your discussion leader, perhaps accounting for the affinity I feel for Hawthorne. **DAVID WEBB**, BA in English, Wesleyan, MA & M Philosophy, Columbia, concentrating on 19th century American Literature.

WEDNESDAYS 10:30 – 12:00 October 3, 10, 17, 24 Bay Room

Note: On Wednesdays the Library opens at 1:00 p.m. Entry will be through the Meeting Room doors.

SHAKESPEARE AND OPERA

We will examine three operas based on Shakespeare's plays. Two are tragedies: **Otello** by Giuseppe Verdi and **Romeo and Juliet** by Charles Gounod. The third is **Falstaff**, Verdi's only comic opera and his last, composed when he was eighty. We will look at how these composers adapted Shakespeare's words to musical needs, usually by dramatically shortening them. **LOUISE ADLER** PhD in Microbiology and Immunology. Music and especially opera has been a life long avocation and passionate pursuit.

WEDNESDAYS 2:00 – 3:30 October 3, 10, 17, 24 Bay Room

All courses are free and open to the library community.

To Register: fill out the form below and send to
Joy of Learning, P.O. Box 480, Falmouth, MA 02541

Name: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail address: _____

I wish to enroll in the following course(s):

Hawthorne _____ Shakespeare and Opera _____

I would like to volunteer to help with the following course _____

NEWS FROM EAST FALMOUTH



This summer is the first time the East Falmouth Library participated in Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and Project Bread's "Summer Eats" program, and it has been a success. Thanks to our sponsor, the Cape Cod YMCA, the East Falmouth Library has served 320 meals to kids over the course of the summer. This year's summer reading program theme is "Libraries Rock", so we kicked off our Summer Eats program with a visit from Falmouth's own local rock band Crooked Coast.

The kick-off had a total of 137 in attendance with 50 meals served to children. We've served meals every Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday with a different program paired with the Summer Eats program each day. On Mondays there have been different performers to provide entertainment for our diners. On Tuesdays, the Falmouth Public Library's Donna Skinner from the children's room has been telling stories, singing songs, and doing some puppeteering, and on Wednesdays the staff of the East Falmouth Library has been providing drop in crafts and games. Along with the programs, the YMCA has provided a prize box each week for the lucky "luncher" who ends up with a YMCA sticker on his lunch bag. For those who did not receive a sticker, lunchers were given free books donated by the Friends of the Falmouth Public Library. The reaction from the children and community can be summed up with one word: gratitude. We hope to continue this program every summer for many years to come, as well as continue to reach out to more families who would not only benefit from the Summers Eats program, but also from the services the library provides year-round.

Due to the diligent efforts of the Department of Public Works there is a new driveway, parking area, and sidewalk. There is an outdoor area with plenty of seating for programs. The Barnstable County Sheriff's Office Community Service Work Crew provided the labor for building the benches. Special thanks and appreciation to Joe Netto, Bob Ripley, Directors of FPL Support Fund, Friends, & Trustees. There will be a Sunset Gathering at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 18th to celebrate the community project – light refreshments served. Ryan Carey and our new library assistant, Gus Aslanian, are our dynamic duo. They have been tasked with providing more opportunities for youth programming at the branch. In addition, the duo will be assisting patrons with eBooks and a myriad of computer tasks. *Meg Borden, Branch Librarian*



SUMMER IN FALMOUTH

Summer in Falmouth requires a few adjustments to our daily routines. To manage the increased traffic on route 28, I leave home a bit earlier and drive along the beach road. Seeing the ocean in all its various complexities is a reminder of why we choose to live here, and why we have so many visitors. The sheer number of visitors requires us to slow down and in slowing down, we smell the roses... and the ocean. Yes, it may be hard to find parking or an empty seat in a restaurant but this is a small price to pay. Come to the library. We have added extra seating in the lower level with tables where you are welcome to bring your coffee and a snack to enjoy. The Library's Express collection insures that copies of the latest fiction titles will be available for you. We have a broad collection of DVDs, from the latest releases to more esoteric titles or foreign films. When the town of Falmouth is hopping with summer visitors, you can always escape to the library!

Linda Collins, Director

HISTORY OF THE NORTH BRANCH



The North Falmouth Branch Library has an interesting history. The building itself spent five days traveling seven miles down Route 151 from Otis Air Force Base to its current location. The journey began on December 17, 1959. The first day's progress was halted by a flat tire. The second day was slow as electrical wires were lifted and tree branches removed. On the third day rain prevented further progress and the building sat at

the four corners. Sunday was the crew's day of rest. Finally on Monday, although slowed by the removal of a large stump, the former barracks finally arrived at Nye's Park. A request to accept the building was deferred at the March 1960 Town Meeting, but accepted in March of 1961. A vote to approve funding for repairs and improvements did not come until a year later. In the spring of 1964, the Town of Falmouth transferred control of the building from the Parks Committee to the Trustees of the Falmouth Public Library and plans were drawn to convert the former barracks into a library. Fifty-four years later the Trustees are considering a plan to better serve the North Falmouth community with a new building that would offer meeting space as well as improved library services. While the plans have been drawn, the community must again wait. The next MBLC Construction Grant round is a few years away. Woodpeckers have drilled holes in its sides and the wind finds its way through the windows, but we hope the old barracks will stand for a few more years!

Linda Collins, Director

