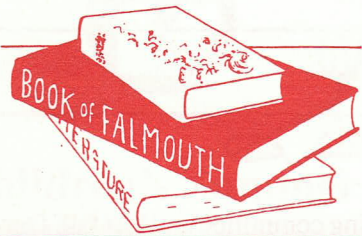


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# Newsletter

Summer 1992



## CAN'T WAIT?

Is instant satisfaction worth a buck?  
 Try the *Friends' Rental Collection*  
 on the cart near the new fiction.  
 A special self-supporting service for the reader  
 who doesn't want to wait for reserves.  
 A buck a week for the book you want  
**NOW!**



## RENTAL COLLECTION

When borrowing books from the Rental Collection please keep the following policies in mind.

1. Books circulate for a 7-day period.
2. Cost is \$1.00 per week.
3. Overdue fines for Rental books are 25¢ per day.
4. No free renewals. Books must be checked out for another week at \$1.00
5. Rental books may not be reserved. This collection is for walk-in service only.
6. "Free" copies of the titles are also available from the normal Library collection on the same basis as before.

LOVE  
YOUR  
LIBRARY

SUPPORT  
YOUR  
FRIENDS

## MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

The number of members of the Friends of the Falmouth Public Library as of July 1992 is:

<b>Individuals</b>	<b>66</b>
<b>Family(2)</b>	<b>126</b>
<b>Patrons</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>207</b>

## UPCOMING

### Ladies First

### First Ladies to visit Falmouth

Forget the election polls, the political pundits and the presidential candidates stumping on CNN. On Friday, August 21st, at the Falmouth High School, at 7:30 P. M. the Friends of the Falmouth Public Library will bring the presidency to Cape Cod as they host six former First Ladies - all portrayed by Robin Lane in her one woman show, "Ladies First".

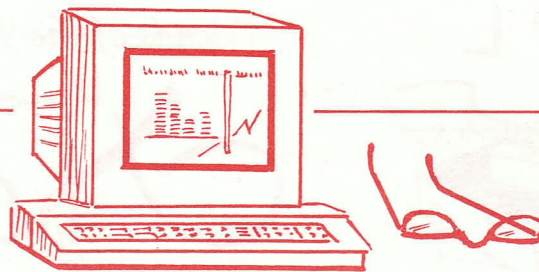
As a direct descendant of Abigail Adams, the wife of John Adams and mother of John Quincy Adams, and with many stage credits in drama and comedy, Ms. Lane is uniquely qualified to present six presidential wives - Abigail Adams, Rachel Jackson, Julia Taylor, Mary Lincoln, Eleanor Roosevelt and Jacqueline Kennedy.

Tickets for this Friends of the Library fund raiser are \$10.00 (\$7.00 to members of the Friends), and can be purchased at the Market Bookshop or by calling 548-7791, or 564-4223.

The Friends take great pleasure in presenting our first big fundraiser for the library as well as a service to the community.

**MARK THE DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR AND ORDER YOUR TICKETS NOW.**

## Presidents Corner



The Friends of the Falmouth Public Library have come a long way since our steering committee met last fall. Our by-laws are in place, our tax exempt status is pending, and our Board of Directors is meeting regularly to plan programs, fundraisers and new services to the library. We always keep in mind that our primary function is to enhance and support the library without playing any part in the day to day operating budget.

Nancy Serotkin, Assistant Library Director, and Marilyn Zacks, Library Trustee, attend our Friends' Board of Directors' meetings, and are most helpful in keeping the channels of communication open.

Tammy Amon, head of Circulation at the library, has been invaluable in seeing that all interested library patrons receive Friends of the Library applications. She also answers any questions that prospective members may have.

Barbara Conathan, Reference Librarian, has contributed her time, her knowledge and her enthusiasm to helping the Friends set up our first service to the library (See Rental Collection on page 1). The cost of the books was underwritten entirely by members' dues.

Please call me at 548-7791 if you have questions or suggestions for the Friends.

Marilyn Sanborn

## WANTED

### GOOD USED BOOKS

Videos  
Cassettes  
Prints  
CD's

Friends of the Falmouth Library

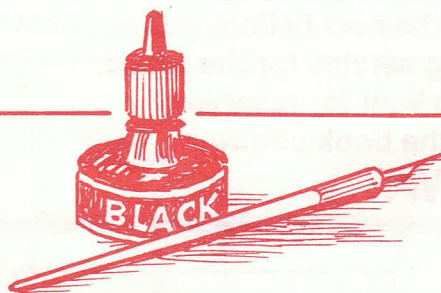
## Fall Book Sale

Proceeds to benefit the library

Please NO textbooks,  
magazines, or  
Reader's Digest Condensed.

Book Donation Boxes are  
located in Main Library,  
East and North Branches.

Pick-ups can be arranged  
by calling 564-4345



## SPECIAL THANKS TO:

*Peg Kronenberg*

Sippiwissett artist — For the decorative sketches which add so much to this first issue of our newsletter.

*Joan Kanwisher*

Woods Hole artist — For the beautiful logo displayed on our masthead.

We are indeed fortunate to have Friends who are such talented artists.

## MORE THANKS TO:

*Walter Carlson, Cape Cod Printing*

For donating the printing of our first 500 applications. We particularly appreciated that help when we had no funds.

*Carol Kenney*

Falmouth attorney, who has so generously given time from her busy schedule to help the Friends become incorporated and obtain their tax exempt status.

*Bill Banks*

Owner of the Market Bookshop for his help in getting our rental collection going.

*Henry Albers and Katie Albers*

For helping to put together this newsletter.

*Henry again*

For processing the books for the Rental Collection.

*Cecilia Simons and Marion Tyler*

For stuffing the envelopes for our first all membership mailing.

*The Library Board of Trustees*

For a generous monetary gift to help us get started.

*The entire staff of the library for their encouragement and cooperation.*



## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE LIBRARIES

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### Children's Summer Program

The Children's Department of the main library is looking forward to a busy summer. Our goal is to keep children reading by themselves and with their families through the summer months. **Reach for it. Read!** is the theme of our summer Olympic Reading Program. The first event to kick off the program was a parade led by Al Moniz carrying our Olympic Torch along the Cape Cod Canal from the Railroad Bridge to the Jonathan Bourne Public Library. Children and adults of all ages were invited to join us for the parade on Monday, June 29 at the Railroad Bridge.

Activities are planned for the Summer Reading Team at the main library on Tuesday afternoons beginning June 30 through August 18. We are grateful to the following businesses that are donating ice cream cones for children who reach their weekly reading goals - Kenyon's Market, TCBY, Burger King, Dutchland Farms, Emack and Bolio's, Friendly's, Ghelfi's, Domenic's and the Whistle Stop.

Two sessions of Junior Great Books are being offered to children who have finished fourth grade through seventh grade. The announcement of this program was met with a great deal of enthusiasm and sessions filled very quickly.

An evening storyhour offered to preschoolers began on July 7 at 7:00 P. M. Pajamas and teddy bears were optional.

We hope that these programs will be enjoyable for Falmouth's children and help them to maintain the reading habit during the vacation months.

### East Falmouth Branch Activities

Two staff members, Lorretta Ritchie and Susan Croft, participated in the Canal walk, the kickoff for the summer reading program.

The branch has a new volunteer, Louise Stone, who has extensive library experience (Main library and East Falmouth Elementary School library).

Work has been initiated on a Local History collection which will encompass materials for all of Cape Cod and the islands.

We are developing our young adult/junior high collection and have numerous new fiction and non-fiction selections.

Our current display has an Olympic theme in keeping with the theme for the summer reading program which currently has 59 children participating.

We have recently received many new videos, primarily feature films. The loan period remains at one week for videos.

We celebrated this past Earth Day by handing out over 300 vegetable seedlings grown by the staff. Gardening questions can be answered by the branch librarian and by a regular parton, Jean Cobb, who is the former Children's Librarian at the main library.

Look for more news in the fall newsletter - a fall story hour, a ventroloquist show and more!

### North Falmouth News

Summertime has arrived at the North Falmouth Branch! Library hours are 3:00 to 7:00 Mondays and Fridays - plenty of time to visit both the beach and the library.

Beginning Friday, July 10 (continuing through August 28), there will be a children's story time on the back lawn of the library. The fun begins at 4:15. We will read a couple of stories, sing a few songs and end with a simple craft. No registration is necessary, but we do request a parent (or other able-bodied adult) remain with the child.

If you haven't found us yet - as they say in the donut ads - "we're worth the trip". Just remember to bring your "old blue card", but if you need a new one, \$1.00 is all it takes.

A lovely dogwood tree is to be planted near the front walkway in memory of Jan Nowak who for years cheerfully volunteered and served as library aide here at North. She was a wonderful person who loved the library and will be greatly missed.

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### DID YOU KNOW THAT THE LIBRARY HAS MUSEUM PASSES?

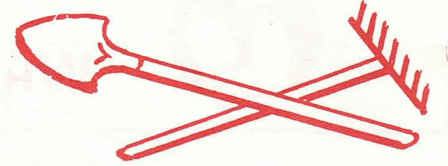
Museum passes are available in the Library for: Heritage Plantation, Sandwich • Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston • Museum of Fine Arts, Boston • Museum of Science, Boston • New Bedford Whaling Museum. Inquire at the Library desk to reserve a pass.

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### CONNECTING WITH KIDS

Virtually every library (95%) sponsors summer reading clubs, preschool story hours and other programs for children. Research shows libraries are the most important institution in helping children retain learning skills during the summer months.

## SUMMER READING



The love story of the decade has to be *The Bridges of Madison County* by Robert James Waller, a management professor at the University of Iowa. When 52 year old Robert Kincaid makes a wrong turn and meets 43 year old Francesca Johnson, more than just the earth moves; the universe is more like it. Bill Banks at the Market Bookshop calls it a "hand sell" book (one that the publisher has not promoted) and saleswoman Mary Palmer warns readers to get out their handkerchiefs.

New last year and just coming out in paperback is Michael Pollen's *Second Nature, A Gardener's Education*. Forget your lawn, make your garden a room. Wall it off from passers-by, and don't be intimidated by those "two great aristocratic families" - White Flower Farm and Wayside Gardens. Chuckle your way through it once and then savor each chapter once more this winter as you plan next year's garden.

## FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Libraries cost taxpayers an average of \$15.10 annually per capita - less than dinner for two in a moderate restaurant

Yes . . . .

I want to join the Friends of the  
Falmouth Public Library

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one:

Individual membership \$5

Family Membership \$10

Organizational \$50

Patron \$100  
(includes life Membership)

Additional Donation

I would like to join a committee:

Yes, definitely

No, not at this time

Mail this application to:

Friends of the Falmouth Public Library,  
P.O. Box 408, Falmouth, MA 02541