

Among Friends

The *Friends* of the
Roxbury Township Public Library



2012 Membership Drive

The Friends of the Roxbury Township Public Library, founded in 1995, is a group of people who are interested in supporting and promoting our excellent library.

We are grateful to the many of you who have



given your time, your expertise, your books and your money.

Actress Kim Zimmer (Reva/GL & Echo/OLTL) will be @the library Sat 10/22 for a Friends Book Signing of her mem-

Through the years we in turn have been able to give over \$200,000 to support

special programs for all residents, to add to the collections and provide equipment for the facility that make our library special.

This year alone, the money raised has enabled us to do some wonderful things. When budget cuts depleted the library funds for programming, the Friends were able to step in and fund all the Library programs you enjoy such as Books for Babies, Summer Reading, craft time, teen nights, and concerts. Once again we have also provided funds for the audio book & DVD collections.

(The 2010 list of 263 titles purchased with Friends funds is available on our website.)

Two new programs we've sponsored this year are the Exclusive Overdrive E-book Program and the Morris Museum Pass Program. Check with the reference desk for more information on these programs.

For more information about donating your time or money to the library, visit our website at www.roxburylibrary.org/friends. **Most importantly please join the Friends today!**



Children's book row @ the fall book sale

Hard Work is Rewarding

We depend upon the kindness of our Friends to make our book sales successful year after year. From the endless hours our Book Sale Chair, Kate Morgan, and fellow board members, Janet Rose and Bill Wilkins, spend organizing the events, the Friends members who volunteer their time to sort the thousands

of books as well as work the sale, to the donations of local businesses, Bottle King of Ledgewood, Wine Rack Flanders, Succasunna Shop Rite and Blue Diamond Disposal, the sale is a group effort.

However without your book donations and shopping at the sales, our hard

work is for naught. Once again all of you have made this Fall's Book Sale successful. The Friends book sales were able to raise over \$9000 in 2011.

Our Spring Book Sale is scheduled for May 3-6 Donations will be accepted April 19- May 1. Mark your calendars!

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Board of Directors	
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Treasurer	Bill Wilkins
Secretary	Barbara Critelli
Membership	Janet Rose
Book Sale	Kate Morgan
Publicity	Cathy Cummins
Hospitality	Judy Gazzoli

Friends Bake Sale

Pick up some yummy goodies made by Friends at the library on Saturday Oct 22 and celebrate



Friends of the Library Week!

BTW—there is still

time to volunteer to bake or work the sale! Sign up @ the Children’s desk or e-mail us @FriendRoxburyLib@aol.com

Teen Beat

What does the Friends Mean to Me?

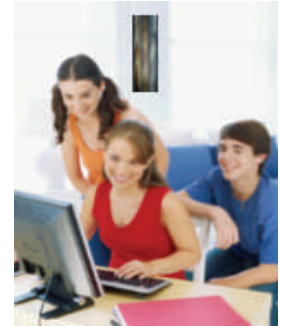
“The Friends of the Library Rock, we love the pizza!” ~ Group Quote from the last Teen Night.

“The friends are like friends they are so nice

and we love all that they have done for us” ~ Ariel

We recently asked the teens what would be on their library wish list for 2012. Some of their wishes are: performing skits for the Read Across America event, 1920s Murder Mystery, & a Karaoke night .

Let’s see how many of their wishes we can make come true.



2011 Services, Programs & Events Supported by the Friends

Supplement Audio Collection	Supplement DVD Collection
Supplement Book Collection	Children’s Books & Media
Motion Picture License	Books for Babies
Adult Evening Concert Series	Read Across America
Author Book Signings	Teen Nights
Summer Reading Programs	After School Craft Time
Exclusive Overdrive E-book Program	Morris Museum Pass Program
Let’s Talk Books	Turtle Back Zoo Program

Director’s Corner — by Jean Scott

A public library is one of the best investments that citizens can make in their community.

Public libraries serve everyone without regard to age, race, sex, religion, handicap status, and all of the other qualifications applied to people.

The public library provides story time for toddlers, who will someday learn to read, and large print books and audio books for seniors who are losing the ability to read. For every age in between

the public library provides books, magazines, newspapers, DVDs, music CDs, downloadable audio books and e-books, and a host of other items such as puzzles, video games, “books in a bag” for book discussions groups, and much more.

In addition, the public library provides programs for information, recreation, and entertainment. From the Turtle Back Zoo to estate planning, the library has something for everyone.

However, all of these quality services come with a price tag that many towns are finding difficult to fund. How can you help? Join the Friends of the Roxbury Library, participate in the fund raising activities, and share in the joy of supporting this quality of life service for your community.

It only takes a minute to reach out and support your library.

Popcorn & a Movie

The Friday Movie Series takes a friendship turn on Oct 21. In honor of Friends of the Library week the movie will feature one of our favorite friends movies. Vote for your favorite: **First Wives Club,**



My Best Friends Wedding, Fried Green Tomatoes

Which one did we pick, well stop by the reference desk or the Friends Facebook fan page to vote on which movie will be shown.

Trustee Perspective by President Maria Sudol

As this newsletter reaches you, National Friends of the Library Week 2011 is just days away. This is a fairly new event, and many people, like me, have not been very aware of it. That changed for me this year because I have the honor of serving as the President of the Roxbury Public Library Board of Trustees and along with that role, I am an ex-officio member of the Friends of the Roxbury Township Public Library Board of Directors. I have seen firsthand how much time, effort, and enthusiasm went into planning the Roxbury Public Library National Friends of the Library Week 2011 celebration.

When most of us describe our friends, we say they are people we like to spend time with, share our joys

with, and are there for us when times are tough. Our Friends of the Library group is all that and much more: These people work hard! The core group of Friends volunteers who serve on the Board of Directors are incredibly dedicated, having nearly 70 years of combined service as board members. While dividing the workload between just a few people, they organize and hold two enormous book sales each year that take months of preparation, and they get great results.

Within the library, the Friends supply books for an ongoing book sale and hold monthly informal get-togethers for folks to talk about books. Each year the Friends welcome a lengthy "Wish List" from the library. The list is com-

prised of library materials, services, and programs that enhance our library for everyone, but we rely on the Friends to provide the funds. You may be a mom or dad who has read to your baby, a teen who has played Wii at teen night, a music lover who attended concerts, or movie goers who watched Oscar winning cinema. Whatever your pleasure has been at the library, the Friends have helped make it happen.

Please join us National Friends of the Library Week, October 17 – 22; there is something for everyone! When you visit the library, please look for and sign our Friends Thank-You card. Let our hard-working Friends know how much we appreciate them!

Roxbury Roundtable: Reviewed by Dorina Van Guilder

SciFi/Horror Castaways by Brian Keene

ISBN: 0843960892

I enjoy a good horror movie. I want to be scared by a vampire, zombie or creature from someplace far away. Typically, I am rarely terrified.

While reading Castaways, I was not terrified but realized [my invention]. The story combines our love of horror and Jurassic-park type story with reality TV. The Castaways are in a TV show on a stranded island and as they compete with each other, they form alli-

ances which will ultimately prove their life worth. Literally. While many hope to leave with millions, these characters hope to leave in one piece. Fast, fun read.

Women's Fiction Having It and Eating It by Sabine Durrant

ISBN: 1573229903

I enjoyed the way the author portrayed Maggie Owen and the other characters in the book. Durrant [author] writes really well and even though we are across ponds from one another there was no translation needed. Maggie has given up her day job for a

happy life of playgrounds and cute little dirty faces. Maggie could be any young mother. Maggie runs into a former schoolmate, Claire, the girl she always wanted to be. Maggie's life becomes chaos as she discovers Claire knows a little too much about her boyfriend, Jake. Maggie thinks the unthinkable, regains some confidence, shakes up her life and her relationship with Jake. That is all I'm sayin! Actions aside, I think any woman can relate to Maggie. An enjoyable read and I would absolutely pick up another book by this author.

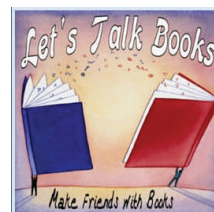


Fundraiser
Tues Oct 18
11am-11pm

Take out or dine in for lunch or dinner at Bensi and 15% of the bill will be donated to the Friends.

Pick up a flyer @ the library or download one from the Friends website

1st Saturday of the Month



Friends get together over coffee to chat up their current favorite books or get tips on new books to reads.

Halloween Basket of Books

We will be raffling off this basket of books during Friends of the



Library Week. Purchase your raffle ticket at the reference desk.

Book Sale Raffle Winners:

Dorothy Kowalski,
Linda Meudt, &
Darla Kiminkinen

Upcoming Events	
National Friends of the Library Week	Oct 16-22
Teens Help Friends	Oct 17
Bensi Fundraiser	Oct 18 11am-11pm
Books for Babies	Oct 18 10:30
Friends Give Back Craft Time	Oct 18 4pm
Laughter Yoga	Oct 19 7pm
Teen Night	Oct 20 6:30pm
Popcorn & a Movie	Oct 21 1pm
Friends Bake Sale	Oct 22 9:30-3pm
Kim Zimmer Book Signing	Oct 22 11am

Upcoming Events	
Let's Talk Books	Nov 3 11am
Holiday Ornament Fundraiser	Nov 28-Dec 23
Let's Talk Books	Dec 3 11am
Holiday Concert	Dec 9
Let's Talk Books	Jan 7 11am
"One for the Money" Premiere	Jan 27
Read Across America	March 2
2012 Spring Donation Days	April 19-May 1
2012 Spring Book Sale	May 3-6
Friends Annual Meeting	May 14

We're on the web!



www.roxburylibrary.org/friends



There is Something for Everyone During Friends Week

October 16— 22 is the 6th National Friends of the Library Week.

That's when the Roxbury Township Public Library will be celebrating its Friends of the Library group (Us!). The Friends are dedicated to preserving the library and its programs, an effort that has become increasingly important with recent budget hits to library funding. Today the Friends helps fund cultural and enrichment programs; adult, teen and children's programs, and media collections.

Friends of the Library Week allows us to highlight the variety of programming the Friends sponsor. Please join us at the Bensi Succasunna for a fundraiser and enjoy the activities offered at the library throughout the week:

Mom's with babies will love Books for Babies on Tuesday at 10:30. Children can make Holiday ornaments on Tuesday at 4pm. The ornaments will be used for an upcoming fundraiser. Teens will be

Helping Friends on Monday by making buttons for the membership drive and enjoy the Teen Night celebration Teen Read: Picture It @ your library on Thursday at 6:30 pm.

Meet your friends at Bensi's Succasunna on Tuesday and support the library just by eating lunch or dinner, or both! All you need is a Friends flyer – get one in this newsletter, at the circ desk or online!

They say laughter is the best medicine and you can join Diana Perez at 7 pm on Wednesday for Laughter Yoga. This is a fun form of exercise that includes deep breathing, laughter and playfulness. Friday at 1pm will be Popcorn and a Movie – vote for your favorite friendship movie then come watch the winner.

Please join us on Saturday at 11 am for four time Emmy winner Kim Zimmer book signing. She will be signing her memoir I'm Just Sayin. While you are there you can stop at the Friends Bake Sale that runs from 9 – 3 in the lobby.

And of course... join the Friends