

Annual Meeting and Thank You Party

Save the Date for our Thank You Party and Annual Meeting. We have had another very successful year and will have lots to celebrate at our annual meeting and thank you party on Sunday, January 27 from 2:00 to 4:00 in the Program Room. In addition to voting on the slate of board members, we will review our year, see what's in store for 2019, visit, eat, and have some fun. Chris Angeli is already working on a new literary trivia game to try to stump our extraordinarily clever members. So please mark your calendars and plan to join us.

Become a Member of the Friends of Milford Library

The Friends of Milford Library is a non-profit volunteer organization that sustains the programs and activities of the Milford Public Library that are not supported in the city budget. To learn more about the Friends, visit www.milfordlibrary.org and click on the link for Friends of the Milford Library. You can fill out a volunteer application online. Contact us: 203-783-3291 / milfordlib.friends@gmail.com Join the fun! Volunteer today!

Get Involved in Our Activities

Please consider joining our volunteer corps – there are lots of diverse ways to contribute:

Library Friends Table: Greet and assist library patrons.

Public Relations: Write news releases and newsletter articles, maintain FOML bulletin board.

Welcome to Milford!: Gather contents from organizations and assemble packets.

Book Sales: Organize, set up, and assist at our special book sales.

Party in the Stacks: Party planning and decorations.

Amazon

If you order from Amazon, you can donate to the Friends at no charge to you by ordering through Amazon Smile and selecting Friends of the Milford Public Library as your non-profit of choice. Amazon will donate a percentage of each purchase to the Friends.

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The Friends of Milford Library
cordially invites you to our:

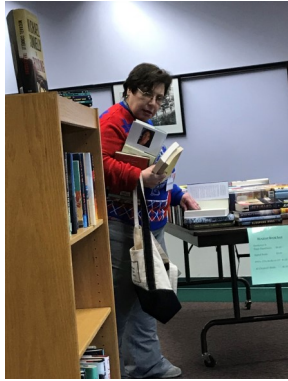
Annual Thank You Party

Thanks to our wonderful members and community supporters, 2018 was a fun and successful year for the Friends of Milford Library. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for last year's achievements and offer a look ahead at our plans for 2019!

Please join us for a wine and cheese reception
in the Milford Library's Program Room

Sunday, January 27th
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Please RSVP by January 18th
Email: milfordlib.friends@gmail.com
Phone: 203-783-3291



Holiday Book Sale

The Friends Holiday book sale on December 7th and 8th in the library's program room was a success! Holiday music, lively volunteers, and of course the great selection of hardcover and trade paperbacks, plus collections of children's books, DVDs and CDs brought in buyers looking for gifts or to add to their libraries. Friday morning we had a group waiting to get in, and on Saturday there were families and return shoppers.



Kudos to our Foran High School Key Club volunteers, and students from Milford Library's Teen Activity Group. The Foran High School Girls Swim Team made everything possible on Thursday afternoon when they moved the boxes of books into the program room and worked alongside the Friends volunteers who unpacked books Friday morning and helped with last minute details. After the sale on Saturday, student volunteers worked with Friends members in packing leftover books and resetting the room.



The proceeds from the book sale will be used to fund adult and children's programs throughout the year at the library. Thank you for supporting the library! We hope to see you at our Spring Book Sale in May 2019.



Events to Brighten the Winter

Sunday, January 27, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Thank You Party and Annual Meeting. Join us to celebrate our accomplishments of the past year and to hear what we are planning for 2019.

Friday, February 1, First Friday With Friends. Nancy Abbey, Assistant Director of the Milford Public Library, will give her insightful perspective, discussing recently released books as well as previewing some upcoming releases.

Saturday, February 9, Barnes & Noble Event. Just in time for Valentine's Day, the Friends will be holding our winter Barnes & Noble Bookfair. The Friends will earn money with each purchase made in the store when a voucher is provided at the time of the sale. At 2PM Barnes & Noble will also hold their winter Kids Book Hangout and children's librarian Ashley Hemming will be there to help facilitate the event with Barnes & Noble staff. More information and vouchers will be available prior to the event. If you are interested in volunteering for the bookfair, please email us at milfordlib.friends@gmail.com

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Thursday, April 25, 6:00. The High School Book Awards will be presented to a member of the junior classes of Foran, Law, Luralton Hall, Platt Tech, and The Academy. Dr. Anna Cutaia, Superintendent of the Milford school system, will be the guest speaker.

Elections

At the annual meeting we need to vote for two positions in our slate of officers: President and Vice President Membership. We are nominating Pam Pilla as our new President of the Friends. Pam has held the position of Vice President Special Events for the Friends which included this year's Party in the Stacks. Anne Bolin, who served as President for the past four years, has served the maximum number of terms allowed by our bylaws. Anne's vision and dedication has grown the Friends organization to its current position and her legacy of dedication to the library will continue to inspire us.

We are also nominating Margaret Downey as our Vice President Membership. Margaret has been a member of the Friends for 2 years and has the technical skills to perform the duties of the position. Amy Bringardner has held this position for the past four years which is the maximum number of consecutive terms allowed by our bylaws. As a longtime member of the Friends, Amy is a wealth of knowledge, and fortunately she will stay active in the Friends by continuing as our Book Sales Chair.

We are truly fortunate to have such talented people willing to give so much time, effort, and energy to the Friends.