

VOLUNTEERING FOR THE FRIENDS

Do you want to help The Bernardsville Public Library continue to be one of the top-rated libraries in New Jersey and across the United States? Do you like working in teams? Does your schedule allow time for volunteer work? If so, please consider becoming active in the Friends.

What we do

The Friends conduct an annual campaign to raise funds for the Library, which is our most critical, annual activity as proceeds from this campaign provide the funding for all of the children's programs at the Library as well as the funding for the Library's technology budget, a portion of the Library's collection budget and the printing and distribution of the Library Newsletter.

The Friends also host a number of activities at the Library, including:

- the popular Sundays at Three Concerts
- the Annual Volunteers Luncheon to recognize the adult Library volunteers
- an annual ceremony to recognize the youth volunteers with the Above and Beyond and Teen Advisory Council Awards
- the Annual Seniors' Day brunch

In addition, members of the Friends' Board serve on committees whose activities range from publicizing Friends' events to performing various internal administrative activities, including maintaining the financial records and filing the federal and state informational returns required for a non-profit corporation.

Service on the Board

This posting serves as an invitation for qualified individuals who would like to contribute their time and talent to the Friends to indicate their interest in serving on the Board of the Friends.

You can apply by sending a letter or e-mail (see the addresses below) indicating such interest to the Chair of the Nominating Committee. All such communications will be acknowledged. The person sending the letter/e-mail will be contacted to arrange a meeting with two members of the Nominating Committee to discuss in more detail how the Board operates and the applicant's interest and qualifications.

Once an applicant is approved by the Nominating Committee, the Committee will recommend to the full Board that the individual be nominated to fill a current or anticipated vacancy on the Board. If no vacancy currently exists, the applicant may be invited to participate on one or more Board Committees until such time as there is a vacancy.

To contact the Chair of the Nominating Committee:

1. Send an e-mail to: friendsnominations@bernardsvillelibrary.org. Please include “interest in the Friends’ Board” in the subject line.

or

2. Send a letter to:

Nominating Committee Chair
Friends of the Bernardsville Public Library
c/o The Bernardsville Public Library
One Anderson Hill Road
Bernardsville NJ 07924