

FRIENDS OF THE BERNARDSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY
2015 ANNUAL LETTER

Everyone who visits Bernardsville Public Library notices the energy it offers. People of all ages and walks of life turn to our library for resources, programs, assistance and a sense of community. Where else can you go to pick up the latest bestseller, research your family history online, attend a concert, and view an exhibition of a local artist's work, all in one afternoon?

The Friends of the Bernardsville Public Library are proud to partner with the library to make so many offerings available. With your donations, we provide funding for Sundays at Three concerts and for children's story times and crafts, as well as the Youth Awards, the Summer Reading program and its finale, the Ice Cream Social. In addition to financial contributions, we also recognize the library's invaluable volunteers by hosting the Volunteer Luncheon, and we celebrate our seniors with our annual Seniors' Breakfast. Popular items such as museum passes, e-readers, audiobooks, large-print books and the online database Ancestry.com are also supported. Without your help, none of this would be possible.

In 2015, we hosted several fundraisers including a Bingo Night last spring; an author luncheon with Mary Norris, author of *Between You & Me: Confessions of a Comma Queen*, in September; and an Oktoberfest beer tasting at a local restaurant. Thank you to all who attended these events. We hope you will join us for more fun on Friday, November 13 for our second Bingo Night, from 6:30 to 9:00 pm.

As we wind down 2015 and begin our Annual Fund Drive, we ask for your support, so that we can continue to provide the offerings on which so many in our community have come to depend. All donations go directly to these valued programs and services. With your help and support, either by making a financial donation or by volunteering, we can look forward to another successful year of our partnership with Bernardsville Public Library. We thank you in advance.

Roni Larini, President, Friends of the Bernardsville Public Library

Volunteers

Library volunteers of all ages give countless hours of service to the library. Volunteers assist with children's programs, staff the Local History Room, provide income tax assistance, arrange for and hang art displays, teach English-As-A-Second-Language classes, run the bridge group, and process, cover, and repair books and other materials. The Bernardsville Garden Club maintains the library's outdoor plantings and provides weekly indoor floral arrangements. We are grateful to everyone who volunteered in 2014-2015.

Officers, Directors and Meetings

Monthly meetings of the Directors of the Friends are open to all members. Our remaining 2015 meeting is on Wednesday, November 4, 2015 (the Annual Meeting) at 7:00 pm at the library. The current board consists of the following members:

Steve Autenrieth	Doug Doremus	Debbie Heimerl	Janet George Murnick
Bob Baker, Treasurer	Elizabeth Faulkner, Sect.	Roni Larini, President	Maria Myers, Sect.
John Bertoni	Sarah Glazar	Dan Lincoln	Laurie Och
Caroline Browne	Katherine Harris	Shikha Mayer	Nancy Verduin, VP
Denis Dooley			

The 2015-2016 annual fund drive is on!

**To find out how to contribute, go to www.bernardsvillelibrary.org/support
or fill out and return this coupon with your gift today.**

To maximize funding for the library, the Friends are no longer sending a separate donation request to all area residents. Thank you for your support!

Name (as you wish listed): _____

Address, City, State, Zip Code: _____

Donation: \$ _____ Phone Number: _____ E-mail address: _____

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Please make checks payable to Friends of the Bernardsville Public Library. Mail to: P.O. Box 455, Bernardsville, NJ 07924.