

Who Are The Friends?

The Friends of the Cotuit Library is a volunteer 501c(3) non-profit organization comprised of individuals, families, and businesses who share an appreciation for the services of the Library, and are passionate about preserving the Library as a vital community resource for future generations. Funding provided by State, Town, and Fire District only comprises one half of the annual budget. The Library must raise funds through grant applications, general and memorial donations, fundraisers, the Annual Appeal, and the financial support and gifts-in-kind from the Friends. What we are able to contribute becomes increasingly more important!

What The Friends Do

The Friends work closely with the Library Director to determine priorities and needs. The Friends:

- Conduct an annual Membership Drive to help meet our contribution goals
- Contribute a yearly minimum of \$10,000 to offset the Library's operating costs
- Donate \$1,000 to the Library's Annual Appeal
- Replaced the circulation desk and paid for some computers and the telescope
- Provided monies toward the new lift from Memorial Donations
- Funded substantial renovations to the Children's Room
- Purchased new flag pole, lighting, outdoor benches, patio lights, and plant cart

- Offer several Luncheon Programs with diverse guest speakers
- Sponsor an annual Book Sale and offer free books via the Little Free Library
- Underwrite the cost of local and Boston-area Museum passes for use by the community
- Sponsor fundraising activities and events including the sale of Friendship Soup, the annual Plant & Bake Sale, Used Jewelry Sale, and Annual Fall Raffle
- Support the ongoing sale of *Cotuit Cooks Cookbooks*, scenic notecards of Cotuit, and used books in the Book Nook

Keeping Members Informed

Communication is the lifeline of the Friends. Information regarding events, programs, and volunteer opportunities are sent via email, postal mail, and via updates made to the Cotuit Library website Calendar and News section. Refer to and bookmark:

www.cotuitlibrary.org.friends-1

We Need You!

It is only with member and volunteer assistance, that the Friends can successfully continue or expand fundraising efforts and provide community services. Your membership and involvement benefit the Cotuit Library!

The Friends of the Cotuit Library is a 501c(3) non-profit organization. EIN #900 742 638.
Contributions are tax deductible.

Membership Form

Detach and submit this form with your "new membership" or "renewal" payment. Membership payment is for the fiscal year July 1 – June 30. Make checks payable to FOCL. Drop off at Library or mail to:

The Friends of the Cotuit Library
PO Box 648, Cotuit, MA 02635

Select Your Category of Membership:

- New Renewal
 Individual = \$30 Family = \$40

Additional donations are gratefully appreciated.

Name(s) _____

Mailing Address: _____

Town _____

State, Zip _____

Seasonal Address _____

Town _____

State, Zip _____

Email _____

check if new

Preferred Phone # _____

We do not share this personal information.

See back panel to indicate areas of interest.

Volunteering

Volunteers are needed to assist with the many activities, events and programs sponsored by the Friends. Consider donating your time and talents. Please indicate your interests below. See our website for news and pictures of recent activities.

www.cotuitlibrary.org/friends-1

Please check areas of specific interest if you can volunteer. Please call me!

- Friends Board of Directors
- Book Nook & Little Free Library
- Luncheons
 - Set-up/Clean-up
 - Baking/Cooking
 - Greeter
- Guest Speaker Program
- Plant & Bake Sale
- Book Sale
- General Projects
- Raffle
- Publicity
- Website Management

Comments: _____

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*Please
Join*

Friends of the Cotuit Library

The greatest benefit of membership is the knowledge and satisfaction that YOU are personally making a difference to ensure the present & future status of a "treasure"...
our Cotuit Library!