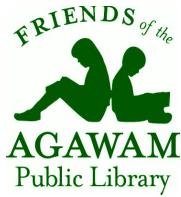


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# NEWS

from the  
**Friends of the Agawam Public Library**

Spring 2014

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## COMING EVENTS

May 16 and 17 (Friday and Saturday): Annual Book Sale

June 2 through 23: 1st Open Juried 3D Art Object Show  
(in process - see President's letter, page 2).

*For prospectus/entry information, contact Bob Kadis  
at r.kadis@comcast.net or at (413) 789-4814. Or  
go to [www.agawamlibrary.org/about/friends.htm](http://www.agawamlibrary.org/about/friends.htm).*

June 13: Reception and Award Ceremonies for 3D Art Object  
Show Winners and Guests (pending)

November 3 through 28: 6th Open Juried Fine Art Show

November 19: Holiday Basket Display Begins

December 15: Holiday Basket Raffle

## NEW OR RENEWED PASSES

The Children's Museum

The Zoo at Forest Park

The Mount, Lenox

## THE FRIENDS THANK OUR GENEROUS SUPPORTERS

Agawam Cultural Council

Bridgeport Bindery

Budget Cabinet Sales

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Easthampton Savings Bank

G & L Tool Corp.

GFWC Agawam Junior Women's Club

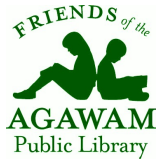
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Parthenon Restaurant

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## MEMBER MEETINGS

Meetings begin at 7:00 P.M. in the Peirce Conference Room the first Thursday of each month, except July and August.

The Annual Meeting immediately follows February's regular monthly meeting.

## BE IN TOUCH

### Meet us:

At a monthly meeting or at any of our events.

### Email us:

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[www.agawamlibrary.org/about/friends/htm](http://www.agawamlibrary.org/about/friends/htm)

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## JOIN US

Membership at various levels is for a calendar year. Applications are available at the Friends' corner of the library's circulation desk, by any of the above means, and on the last page of this newsletter.

## From the President:

Hello, and welcome to the Spring issue of the Friends' newsletter. It has been a tough winter for all of us, and we are, I am sure, more than ready for warm weather.

Winter was a busy time for the Friends. We held our 5th Open Juried Art Show in November, our annual basket display and raffle from mid November to mid December, and our 4th Open Juried Photography Show in February. These events generated more than \$3,000 to fund additional ESL and computer classes, e-book and video purchases, movie licensing fees and other items for the library.

In addition, we provided **renewed or first-time passes** to the Children's Museum, which includes the Roaring Brook Nature Center and the Children's Preschool Museum in West Hartford, CT; the Zoo at Forest Park, and The Mount (Edith Wharton's home) in Lenox, MA, all available to library patrons.

To accommodate ever-growing interest in the Friends' activities, at our annual meeting in February we voted to increase the number of seats on our Board to ten. At that time, we also elected Pamela Pudlo as our newest Board member. Pam has long been an active member of the Friends, and we welcome her expanded participation.

May heralds our **Annual Book Sale**. As always, Friends may use their complimentary coupons either day of the sale and attend Friday's sale day free of charge.

We are planning our first **Open Juried 3D Art Object Show in June** which would include five categories: two in sculpture (traditional/single media; contemporary/mixed media ) and three in artisan/craft (jewelry/metals/glass; furniture/wood/fabrics; and ceramics/gourds). Our moving ahead with this show is contingent on the participation of a sufficient number of artists. We're hearing from many now and are getting excited. Mark your calendars for this and the other events we'll bring your way this year. Plan to be with us and at the library often. And have a great summer!

**Marcia E. Capuano**



**IT'S BACK!!!  
THE FRIENDS' ANNUAL  
USED BOOK SALE!**

**Books - hardcover (\$1) and paperback (\$0.50)  
CDs (\$1)\* DVDs (\$1)\*  
Audio Books Puzzles and Games  
Children's Books (sold by the inch)**

\*Sets are priced by the number of discs in each. Special pricing for selected items.

Preparation for The Friends of the Agawam Public Library's annual "books plus" sale is moving right along. We're sorting through donations of salable items as fast as they come in and are finding some wonderful titles, not only in books, but also in movies and music. If you have any of the above *gently used* items that you'd like to contribute, please bring them to the Circulation Desk and tell the librarian accepting them that they are for the Friends' book sale. If you have a large number of bags or boxes to deliver, call the library to make arrangements for delivery. Please note: *We cannot accept encyclopedias, magazines, Reader's Digest Condensed Books, or items that have been subjected to water, smoke or mold otherwise damaged.*

**WHEN:** Friday, May 16, from 2 to 5 P.M. - The preview charge is \$3.00. Admission is free to Friends.  
Saturday, May 17, from 10 A.M. to 3 P.M. - Open to all without charge.

**WHERE:** The Community Room (general) and the Peirce Conference Room (children and young adults), both off of the main lobby of the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA.

The sale is 100% donor and volunteer driven. All revenue benefits the library directly. *Sales are cash only.*

### **Opportunities to Participate in the Sale**

Sale prep is on Thursday, May 15, between 1 and 5 P.M. We'll unbox books, place them on tables, put up category signs and complete room set-up. On Friday, May 16, and Saturday, May 17, we'll ring up sales, bag books for purchasers, help people find the categories of books that interest them, direct them to the children's room, etc. To assist, please call Marcia Capuano, (413) 786-5506, with your availability.

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### **April's Photography Workshop**

On April 12, the Springfield Photographic Society gave a photography workshop at the library for the second time. Fifty-two people of all levels of experience heard about photography basics, editing software, equipment considerations, improving pictures of family and friends and much more. Participants were fully engaged, and the energy in the room was high. Among comments from happy attendees are:

*"Thanks for a GREAT day yesterday! I learned a lot and I'm sure the others did too. I really liked the equipment review. All the topics were really good and I think there was something for everyone."*

*"I wanted to thank you personally for the wonderful workshop and presentations. The workshops were all wonderful and so well organized. You put a lot of effort into the event and it showed."*

Although this workshop was not sponsored by the Friends, we helped to publicize it through our email list of photographers who have been in our annual photography shows. Many of them attended the workshop and were very pleased with it. We look forward to many more of these excellent workshops.

## You Are Invited to Join the Friends of the Agawam Library

### ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES

(Per Calendar Year; Tax Deductible)

\_\_\_ Individual \$15 a year

\_\_\_ Family \$20 per year

\_\_\_ Senior Citizen (65 & over) \$10 per year

\_\_\_ Organization/Business \$50 per year

\_\_\_ New Member

\_\_\_ Renewing Member

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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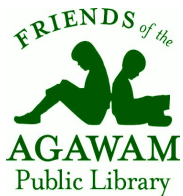
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or drop them off at the Circulation Desk when you are next in the library.

*In brief, the purpose of the Friends is to benefit the Agawam Public Library and the public it serves by promoting interest in Library activities and by raising funds for various Library programs and requirements.*

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## TO:



Remember a loved one. Honor a special friend. Give a gift that will last forever with a memorial donation in his/her name to the Friends of the Agawam Public Library.