

THE LIBRARY PAGE

The monthly newsletter by The Friends of the Blue Hill Public Library

WHO WE ARE

The Friends of the Blue Hill Library is a volunteer group that raises funds for a variety of library purposes not covered by the library's operating budget.

WHAT WE DO

We fund: New York Times subscriptions, Must See Movie Series, Play Readings, Opera Previews, Great Decisions Series, Children's Programs, Literacy Programs, purchases of digital media, furniture, a/v equipment, staff appreciation gifts, scholarships for staff and volunteer development, and more!

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Letter From the President

Fall is off with a bang at the Library. All summer we have hosted various events to commemorate the Library's 75th year on the corner of Main Street and Parker Point Road. We've saved the big bash for Friday, October 2. Please join us for a **grand celebration 1940's style**, with swing music and dancing, cake, and period costumes (encouraged, but not mandatory). This party that you won't want to miss will be held 5-8pm (where else, other than the Library?), to coincide with **First Friday** in Blue Hill. Make the rounds of downtown galleries and shops and be sure to stop in for lively good cheer with us.

Then come back to the Library on Saturday, October 3 for our **monthly used book sale** from 9am-2pm. As always, we have an impressive and wide ranging selection of fiction, non-fiction, local interest, reference guides, audio books, and DVDs. Each month there is something for everyone. Most hardcovers sell for \$1 and paperbacks for 50 cents. And, as always, each child may select one book from the children's section at no charge as a gift from the Friends.

In October, we begin the annual Friends of the Library **membership drive**. Please use the insert in this newsletter (or go to the "Friends of the Library" page on the Library website) to join or renew your membership. The bargain rate of \$10 per person or household remains so that being part of the Friends is accessible to all. The Friends support for the Library is integral to special programs, such as the 75th anniversary events and party, as well as the annual holiday party, the monthly movie and play reading groups, ongoing programs for youth, and purchases such as the New York Times and our expansive audio book and DVD collections. Join the Friends to help continue the activities that make our Library a special place!

I look forward to seeing you at the Library!

Leslie Goode, President, Friends of the Blue Hill Public Library

Book Nook Book Sales

Saturday, October 3, 9am – 2pm

In the Book Nook Blue Hill Public Library

Quality used books of all topics for all ages

Special mini collections for October:

Birds

Maine authors

Antiques

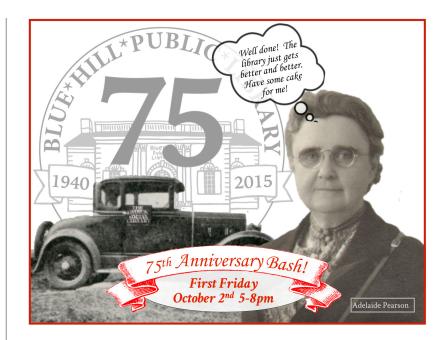
Knitting

And Democracy University DVDs on several topics

Most books are still only a \$1 or \$2, and children may choose one free book!

We sincerely thank you for your support of our book sales. Through both donations and purchases, proceeds from the book sales enable the Friends of the Library to sponsor many programs for adults and children and to help with special projects and purchases for the library.

See you the first Saturday in October!!



Blue Hill Public Library's 75TH ANNIVERSARY BASH

Friday October 2nd at 5:00-8:00 P.M. Admission is Free

BLUE HILL – As every married couple knows – you only get to celebrate your 75th Anniversary once and very few people are around long enough to do it. The Blue Hill Public Library is excited to be marking this once-in-a-lifetime milestone with an Anniversary Bash on Friday, October 2nd from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. The public is invited to a Swing Dance Party to celebrate 75 years of information, culture and community in our historic building on Parker Point Road.

Music will be provided by the George Stevens Academy Jazz Band under the direction of Steve Orlofsky, with dance demonstrations and lessons provided by local performers Bernadette Dempsey and Bob Brown. Period costumes are optional, but encouraged with some costume bits provided for a 1940's photo booth. Sidle up to the soda fountain, snack on treats from El El Frijoles and grab yourself a piece of birthday cake before or after you visit other Blue Hill First Friday offerings.

This party is a free community event thanks to our sponsors: Camden National Bank, Tradewinds Marketplace, EBS, Merle B. Grindle Agency, El El Frijoles, and Friends of the Blue Hill Public Library. For more information contact the Library at 374-5515.

From the Director's Desk

Rich Boulet, Library Director: rboulet@bhpl.net

As you may already know—it was front page news after all—Pat Horton has left our staff. She was lured away by the one job on this earth that could possibly tear her away from what she called her dream job, serving as our Youth Services Librarian. That job, which happens to be on the other side of the country, is serving as the full-time nanny for her grandtwins in California. I can hardly imagine another job for which she is better-suited.

That left us with a gigantic opening in our staff. Pat, after all, was willing to do everything from crawl on the floor with babies, to tangle with the library's 3D printer. Accordingly, in August, we began our search for a new Youth Services Librarian. We received applications from far and wide: Tennessee, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland and all over Maine. I am happy to report to you that we have successfully concluded our search, and have hired Elizabeth "Libby" Edwardson to serve our younger patrons. Libby comes to BHPL with varied experiences.

Most recently she has worked as a Bookmobile and

Outreach Librarian in Bell County, Kentucky. Her

clients in Appalachia range from seniors to the incarcerated.

A big part of her job has been working with teens and tweens. Libby shared her exploits with us ranging from a "zombie Prom" to a writing group for teens. She was also actively involved in programs that promote tolerance, such as a Gay/straight Alliance. While at the Bell County Library, she co-founded a library program called "52 Weeks of Giving" which subsequently morphed into a

standalone nonprofit dedicated to weekly acts of kindness, both local and global. Prior to Bell County Libby worked as a middle school drama coach, and did some outreach work for the Girl Scouts.

Libby will be moving to the area in early November, along with her husband, six kids, two pugs and two kittens. Please join me in extending a warm welcome to Libby and her family.

As always, it's my pleasure to serve as your library director, and to hear any of your thoughts about BHPL. Feel free to drop me a line, rboulet@bhpl.net, or stop by for a chat anytime.

Play Reading



The Crucible

Wednesday, October 21, 2015 6:30 pm

Playwright: Arthur Miller **Story Line:** The Crucible is a dramatized and partially fictionalized story of the Salem witch trials that took place in the Province of Massachusetts

Bay during 1692 and 1693. Miller wrote the play as an allegory of McCarthyism, when the U.S. government blacklisted accused communists. Miller himself was questioned by the House of Representatives' Committee on Un-American Activities in 1956 and convicted of contempt of Congress for refusing to identify others present at meetings he had attended. The play highlights Miller's strong belief that society places pressures on people that often dictate their actions and their lives.

Must See Movies



In A Lonely Place

(1950)

Thursday, October 8, 2015 7:00 pm, Howard Room

Starring: Humphrey Bogart,

Gloria Grahame

Director: Nicholas Ray **Running Time:** 94 minutes **Story Line:** Bogart stars as

Dixon Steele, a troubled screenwriter suspected of murder. Grahame co-stars as Laurel Gray, a neighbor who falls under his spell. Beyond its surface plot of confused identity and tormented love, the story is a mordant comment on Hollywood mores and the pitfalls of celebrity and near-celebrity, like two other American films released that same year, Billy Wilder's *Sunset Boulevard* and Joseph Mankiewicz's *All About Eve.* It is now considered a classic film noir.

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New Youth Services Librarian, new books, new play reading, new movie and a new (or, at least, a renewed) Friends of the Library Membership drive—but the same great old Library! 75 years old!

IN THIS EDITION

Come help us celebrate Blue Hill Public Library's **75th Anniversary** on October 2nd. The gala party will coincide with Blue Hill's **First Friday** events. This month's movie screening is **Cat Ballou** and the play reading is Arthur Miller's **The Crucible**. October's **book sale** takes place Saturday, October 3. We will have an expanded New Titles listing in our next newsletter.



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HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,

and Friday: 9am – 6pm Thursday: 9am – 8pm Saturday: 9am – 5pm

Book Nook Book Sales:

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