



FRIENDS OF THE BERWYN LIBRARY

Greetings Friends of the Library and Book Lovers of Berwyn. Herein, news from the Friends of the Berwyn Library. Read on for details about our upcoming free Halloween concert and other live-lit / book-related news.

BOO! Membership Meeting Save the Date: October 28

Friendly/scary(ish) shenanigans are afoot at our free concert, costume event. The young, and young at heart, are cordially invited to our pre-Halloween soirée starting at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 28 at the library, 2701 Harlem. Sponsored by the library and funded by the Friends, this concert event features the (not really) scary musical stylings of Mr. Singer and the Sharp Cookies. Costumes are highly encouraged. Refreshments will be appropriately, thematically macabre. The event dovetails with our bi-annual membership meeting, which will be brief and will take place after the concert. For more information, check out the Friends of the Berwyn Library Facebook page, go to Berwynlibrary.org or call 708/795-8000, Ext. 3088. Reservations are required to attend the concert.

We are newly Non-Profit

Thanks to the efforts of former FOBL board member Mildred Ayala, the FOBL is now officially a non-profit organization. That means any donation you make is tax deductible. It also means we don't have to pay sales tax on library-related expenses (which, to be sure, constitute all of our expenses.)



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Call to Action!

The Friends Board is always looking for volunteers and new board members. We have four board positions expiring next fall. The more people who get involved, the more we can support the library's myriad of resources and programs. Current board members include Beverly Applebaum (Fun fact! Applebaum's son is in a highly successful death metal band that played the House of Blues this summer), Mike Erickson, Lois Hummel, Katie Rose, Patrice Murtha, Kendra Nudd, and Catey Sullivan. Join us, we have fun! In the past, we've provided funding for the Book Bike (which made its premiere at this summer's block parties and festivals, and could be seen riding down Cermak in the 2019 Houbby Day Parade), books for the Summer Reading Program giveaways (including hardback copies of Angie Thomas's brilliant "The Hate U Give" -soon to be a major motion picture), entertainment for the wildly popular Fairy Tale Ball, puzzles for the Senior Corner and preschool STEM kits for Youth Services. And don't forget the ongoing book sale located on the main floor elevator lobby of the Berwyn Library. Selections change monthly and prices don't go above \$2.

Benefits of Membership

Besides doing something nice for the community, members get a bit of swag. Our newly designed tote bag is quite popular, as are coupons for the aforementioned book sale. Take note of our recently updated incentives and become a member today.



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Benefits of Membership

\$5	Senior / Student
\$10	Individual Membership
\$20	Family Membership
\$35	Basic Membership plus 12 free books from our book sale
\$50	All of the above plus a tote bag
\$100	All of the above plus a Book plate / Dedication (pick your genre)
\$125	All of the above plus a Pathway to Knowledge Brick

Sponsorships

A sponsorship will earn you all of the above plus permanent recognition on the Friends of the Berwyn Library Donor plaque.

\$250	Silver Friend
\$500	Gold Friend
\$1,000	Platinum Friend - Lifetime Membership

Membership Renewals

Membership renewal letters will roll out every January. If you are a new member that joined within six months prior to January, you will receive your renewal letter the following January. Please watch your mailboxes the start of the new year and remember to renew your membership, enjoy the new incentives and continue to support your local library.