

November, 2018

Dear Friend,

Please put down the Yule Log recipe and take a minute to catch up with the Osterville Village Library.

It's been a great 2018 for your Library. Our Golf and Clambake events were sellouts, the Experience Osterville guide got rave reviews, the Road Race pounded down our streets and we sold every ticket for our Land Rover Discovery raffle. Just wait until 2019 because we have big plans!



We owe you, our patrons and donors, a big THANK YOU. You see, we can't open our doors without you. It's your donations and support that allow us to host JrTech coding classes, Cape Literacy reading and training for the Cape Cod Council of Churches staff. Not to mention all the community programs, art exhibits (Cahoons!) and musical performances we sponsor.



Some of you volunteer your time to reshelve our books. Alys Bownes can often be found in the Lillian Dixon Morton Children's room keeping our circulating materials spinning. Marcia Finley rides herd over our Friends Bookstore volunteers.

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In a couple weeks, perennial Mrs. Claus - Regina Sylvia will be passing out hot cocoa at the annual Christmas stroll.



One of our most effective volunteers is Robert (Bob) Bownes, Alys' husband. He isn't much for putting books on shelves, but he's very effective at reaching into your pockets. Bob is responsible for a lot of good things at the OVL. He spoke to quite a few of you about funding the library construction and he knew who to ask when we needed to add a generator. Bob has smoothed the way for quite a few important donations—and let's not forget that he is the key person on our raffle ticket sales desk.

These are just a few of the local people who make your Library a success. But they can't do it without you either. We need to raise at least two-thirds of our annual \$850,000 budget every year. The Town of Barnstable provides approximately \$250,000 and you math whizzes will see this leaves us with \$600,000 to generate from our events and your appeal donations. We do this one dollar at a time. Everything helps.

A donation now puts the OVL on a strong financial footing for 2019 and lets Cyndy Cotton and her staff move forward. The all-volunteer Board and I ask you to support your Library with a donation or pledge. We need it, we make good use of it and we appreciate it. If you're already a donor—we thank you again. In this season of thankfulness and giving, we wish you and your family a joyous holiday season and exciting 2019. And fewer ice storms.

Sincerely,

Laurie K. Young
President
Signing for the Trustees and Staff of the Osterville Village Library