

STURGIS LIBRARY



Sturgis Library, a historic public library in the village of Barnstable, Massachusetts, is dedicated to promoting the study of Cape Cod history and genealogy while serving the needs of a contemporary community.

Built in 1644 as a meeting house for the Reverend John Lothrop, founder of Barnstable, and established as a public library in 1867, the Sturgis Library is housed in the oldest library building in the country.

William Sturgis, a direct descendant of Rev. Lothrop, willed the house, plus \$15,000 in bonds, for the establishment of a town library in the Village of Barnstable.

Today, Sturgis Library is a national treasure that is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. The Library's collections have grown to over 65,000 volumes including special collections of Barnstable County history, genealogy, and maritime culture.



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FRIENDS OF STURGIS LIBRARY

Barnstable Village



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Who are the Friends?

The Friends of Sturgis Library is an auxiliary organization that enhances the Library's role by providing lectures, special events, monetary support, and volunteer services.

Yearly the Friends sponsor a series of lectures & programs which are usually free to the public, though for some special events a donation may be requested. For a complete list of Friends programs and events, check the Sturgis Library events calendar on the Library website at <http://www.sturgislibrary.org>.

In 2006-2007, the Friends donated over \$12,000 in goods and services to the Sturgis Library. Our funds come primarily from our book and gift store sales, special events, and annual membership dues. The monies raised by the Friends go to support various programs, projects, and library resources, including:

- Museum passes
- Support for the Library's website
- Funding for the Scholarly Reading and Discussion Series
- Equipment and furniture
- Building improvements
- Improvements to Children's services and enhancements to the Children's Room
- And much more!

If you love books, value the services that the Sturgis Library provides, and want to play an active and vital role in the life of Barnstable Village, the Friends are for you!



The Friends of Sturgis Library

invite you to visit us
and browse our
Book & Gift Shop

Purchase fiction, nonfiction, children's books, antiquarian and collectible books, maps, gifts, and more!

Store hours:
Tue & Thu 1:30-3:30
Sat 10-3

MEMBERSHIP

Friends annual membership is \$15.00 per household for July 1 through June 30. To renew your membership, or join for the first time, kindly complete the membership form to the right. Then detach and mail to:

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I want to be a member of the Friends!

Name: _____

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New Member Renewal

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Friends of Sturgis Library

Your annual contribution is tax deductible and helps support Friends' programs and services.

Thank you for your contribution!

I AM INTERESTED IN:

Volunteering in the Friends Bookstore

Helping with Friends Events

Assisting in other ways