
Leaf by Leaf, Growing Into the Future...



Legacy Circle Member - Claudia Anderson

While my Legacy leaf was hung just two years ago, the story behind it is decades old. That's when I received two enduring gifts from my remarkable mother. First, she took out a life insurance policy in my name. Second, and of greater significance, we made weekly visits to the local library where a lifetime of discovery, inspiration, entertainment, and information awaited. My children and grandchildren follow in our footsteps, making this a library love affair spanning four generations.

As for that life insurance policy: The Bainbridge Public Library is a designated beneficiary. It's my hope and expectation that others will discover and then re-discover, generation after generation, the gift that is this library.

~ Claudia Anderson

You, too, can make a pledge to the future by becoming members of the Bainbridge Public Library Legacy Circle. Visit our website, bainbridgepubliclibrary.org, and click on A Lasting Legacy under the Support BPL tab to learn more about putting **your** leaf on the Library's Legacy Tree. You can leave a message at 206-866-1250 or email us at legacy@bainbridgepubliclibrary.org to make your pledge.

What's Up With Facilities?

Can you feel it? We can 😊! With the official arrival of Spring and daylight that lasts into early evening, it's an exciting and busy time! High on our list of activities upon which to report are the new Haiku Garden entry arches ... no, they're not in yet, but the not-so-sexy, but critically important foundations and anchoring systems have been installed. While the concrete cures, we're planning and preparing for the installation of the arches ... it's getting closer 😊!



Volunteer extraordinaire, John van den Meerendonk, empties one of 20-something barrels of concrete into one of the four, 30-inch-deep holes that were hand-excavated for the foundations.

The four, custom-fabricated anchoring brackets were carefully positioned to accept the legs of the arches when they are installed.



The North Entrance and South Entrances

Are you starting to feel our excitement NOW? Stay tuned for our next report!

~ Kip Bankart



The Kitsap Great Give is a 24-hour, online giving event organized by the Kitsap Community Foundation to grow philanthropy in Kitsap County and

surrounding areas (e.g., Belfair and Gig Harbor). Great Give encourages you to support your local nonprofits with year-round giving, but they are creating a special event on Tuesday, April 20, 2021. It's the day to celebrate Kitsap's spirit of generosity and support the work of our community's nonprofits. **Remember BPL!** Give right here online, on April 20, 2021. <https://kitsapgreatgive.org/about> You can also give through the mailer that goes out to over 80,000 people in Kitsap county. Early giving begins April 1, 2021 and ends on April 19, 2021 at midnight.



Oh my! If you missed Booklovers Night Out (IN!) Our Virtual Authors Extravaganza held on February 18th you can [click here](#) to view the recording! Stay tuned for info on next year's event!

Books by these authors may be ordered from Eagle Harbor Book Company at www.eagleharborbooks.com

The image shows a promotional graphic for a financial education series. It features the logo for the Bainbridge Community Foundation (BCF) on the left, which consists of a stylized 'B' and 'C' inside a circle. To the right of the logo, the text reads 'BAINBRIDGE Community Foundation' and 'FINANCIAL EDUCATION SERIES'. Below this, the date and time 'April 3, 9-10:30am' are displayed. The main title of the presentation is 'HOW TO INVEST IN A BUBBLE' in large, bold, white letters. Underneath the title, it says 'A ZOOM presentation with Paul Merriman'. The background of the graphic is dark blue with a grid pattern and various financial data points and numbers in white and yellow.

Library U, a program of the Bainbridge Public Library, is pleased to co-sponsor Bainbridge Community Foundation's free 5-part **online ZOOM** series, *Take Control of Your Financial Future*, **beginning Saturday, April 3**, with:

April 3, 9-10:30am / How to Invest in a Bubble. The world of investing had a wild ride in 2020, and is continuing into 2021. In this presentation, Bainbridge Islander [Paul Merriman](#), president of The Merriman Financial Education Foundation, explores the history and nature of stock market bubbles, long bull markets and short bear markets, day trading, hedge funds and the uncertainty that can accompany market bubbles. Issues covered include the good, the bad and the ugly about Robinhood, four free lunches of investing, whether Bitcoin is the "new gold," how to

invest in a bubble, and much more.
[Click here for a short podcast introduction.](#)

- **Who should attend?** First-time investors (ages 18-35), pre-retirees and retirees
- **RSVP by clicking here or email RSVP@bainbridgecf.org.** The ZOOM link will be emailed to you.

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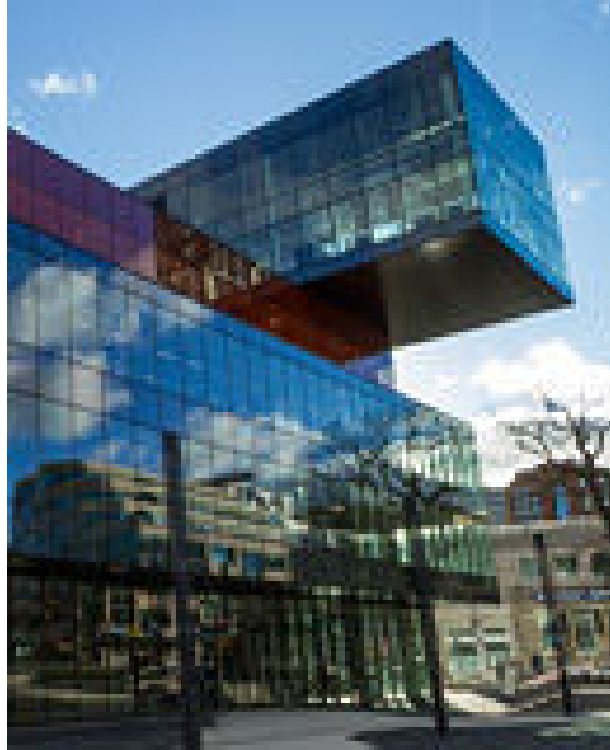


During the time the library is not open to the public, the Friends of the Library are unable to hold our normal book sales. However, our "Buy a Bag of Books" plan is in full swing! Books are packed by FOL volunteers into a paper shopping bag and sealed by taping or by stapling the bag closed with the genre contents written on the outside. The bags of books are available for pickup Monday through Saturday, 10 AM to 1 PM. They are located under the awning by the Children's Library entrance. Access is from the Children's Library parking lot facing High School Rd. Each bag of books is priced at \$5.00. You can pay online by clicking [here](#) and making a donation to the Bainbridge Friends of the Library for the number of bags you want to purchase. Leave a note with the online donation indicating when you would like to pick up your bag(s). The bag(s) will be waiting with your name written on it. You can also just drop by and select one or more bags and pay in cash or by check. If you pay online, you can leave a note requesting a specific genre if you wish. Your custom selection will be waiting with your name on the bag. Pre-selected bags are labeled by genre and available on the cart outside.

Also, magazines are being accepted again!....any flavor, any year!

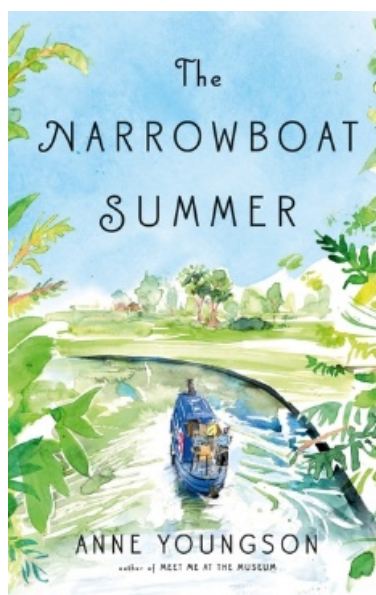
If you have any questions, just send us an email at books4all@bifriends.org

Have You Seen This Library?



This library certainly has the “WOW” factor. It stops tourists in their tracks! It is the Halifax Central Library located on the corner of Spring Garden Road and Queen Street in Downtown Halifax, Nova Scotia. After several decades of discussion, the planning of this stunning building began in 2008. The architects, a joint venture between local firm Fowler Bauld and Mitchell and Schmidt Hammer Lassen of Denmark, were chosen in 2010 through an international design competition. Construction began later that year on a prominent downtown site that had been a parking lot for half a century. The new library opened in December 2014 and has become a highly popular gathering place. In addition to a book collection significantly larger than that of the former library, the new building houses a wide range of amenities including cafés, an auditorium, and community rooms. The striking architecture is characterized by the fifth floor's cantilever over the entrance plaza, a central atrium crisscrossed by staircases, and the building's transparency and relationship to the urban setting. The library won a Lieutenant Governor's Design Award in Architecture for 2014 and a Governor General's Medal in Architecture in 2016.

Books Worth Sharing!



The Narrowboat Summer **By Anne Youngson**

Eve has just left a thirty-year corporate career; Sally has just walked away from an unfulfilling marriage and Anastasia must move from her narrowboat on Britain's famed canal system for medical treatment. They meet by chance, rushing to rescue Noah, Anastasia's dog. Their personalities could not be more different, but the life challenges each is facing are very similar. To all three their decision makes perfect sense. Sally and Eve will spend six weeks moving the narrowboat through the canals for a haul-out and servicing and Anastasia will recuperate in Eve's flat. Their experiences are instructive, heartwarming, and transformative. If you have watched any episodes of Narrowboat Journeys or Cruising the Cut from the BBC, you will immediately recognize the long tunnels and adorable countryside. Following Youngson's hugely popular Meet Me at the Museum, this is a charming, well-crafted, feel-good story perfectly suited for either beach chair or cozy fireside.

~ Susan Braun

Did You Know?

- **Bainbridge Public Library**, a separate nonprofit organization, owns, operates, and maintains the Library building and grounds through community donations and grants.
- **Kitsap Regional Library** provides the library staff, collection, classes, and a virtual library at KRL.org with funding from property tax revenues.
- **Together** we provide the quality library our community wants and has come to expect.

Be safe... Be well!



"A library is a cross between an emergency exit, a life-raft and a festival—a cathedral of the mind; hospital of the soul; theme park of the imagination." ~ Caitlin Moran

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