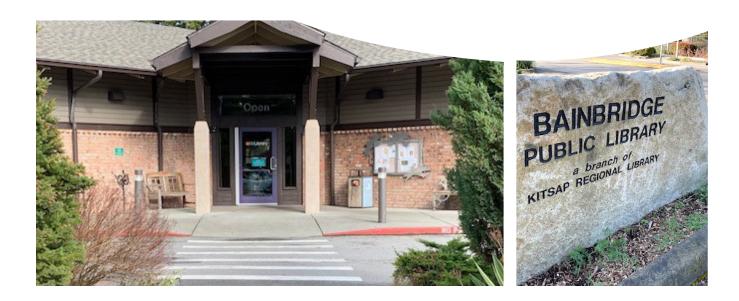
BAINBRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Community Report 2018 – 2019



President's Message

Bainbridge Public Library is the Library that the community built and continues to support. It is unique because it is a 501(c)(3) and belongs to the people of Bainbridge Island. Without you, we could not be what we are.

This past year, we focused on the infrastructure of the building and replaced the HVAC system so that we have a comfortable interior, are saving your dollars, and have a lower impact on the environment. We painted the exterior of the building. We began working on the dry rot in the eaves of the north and west sides of the roof.

The coming year includes the completion of that project combined with re-glazing of the windows as well as work on the irrigation of the gardens and the repair of the parking lots. With our building now 58 years old, it not only required the "Refresh" of the interior, it also needs the refurbishment of the interior infrastructure and protection for the exterior.

Bainbridge Public Library is governed by a volunteer Board whose members serve a three-year term. During their terms, they share their experience, expertise and enthusiasm for the Library. They are thoughtful stewards of your donations by meeting current needs as well as planning for the future. It is a true honor to be the President of this Board and working with a group of people committed to providing the best possible space for your library service.

In addition to the Board, we currently have 202 adults actively volun-



teering for the Library, sorting and selling books in the role of "Friends of the Library," maintaining the gardens as "Friday Tidies," and shelving materials and straightening the shelves. We also have nearly 60 teens who help with programs. In 2017, these amazing people volunteered 8,728 hours.

As a nonprofit, Bainbridge Public Library depends on donations and grants to provide the building and grounds. Kitsap Regional Library provides the library staff, collections, classes, programs, and technology supported by property tax dollars. Bainbridge Public Library and Kitsap Regional Library, working together, bring you the wonderful library you have come to expect. Our doors open the world to you. And they are now open seven days a week.

It is also our honor to be nominated for the second year as the Bainbridge Island Non-Profit of the Year. We are seen as an Island treasure and it is because of your support.

Thank you.

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Bainbridge Public Library, a 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. *Thank you for your support.*

Art Walk

First Friday Art Walk at the library features local artists. On the first Friday of the month, the artists host a reception at the library from 5–7 p.m. an hour earlier than downtown, at which time the public can view the variety of art being exhibited. The exhibit remains in the library for the month. Twenty-five percent of the proceeds from art sales during the month are donated to the library.



Life is a Collage Wendy Brown – January 2018 Artist



Company For Dinner Jennifer Waldron – April 2018 Artist



My Art of Jazz Dorothy Brown – August 2018 Artist



Mayan Textiles of Guatemala Daphne Stewart – May 2018 Artist



Owls in North America: Spirits of the Land Paul Bannick – November 2018 Artist



Patrick Gulke Group September 2018 Artists Jamie Brouwer, Marilyn Gottlieb, Curtis Hughes, Mary Guterson, Drew Kunz, Michael Pontieri, Nicole Schluter

BI Friends of the Library

2018 has been the most successful year ever thanks to all the wonderful volunteers and generous donors who have contributed not only lots and lots of great books, but also money directly to the Bainbridge Island Friends of the Library (BI FOL) and through One Call For All.

Highlights of the year:

- Contributed \$87,000 to the Bainbridge Public Library (BPL) in 2018 as a result of the many terrific book sales
- Provided significant support for the children's, teens' and adult programs at BPL
- Contributed to the children's summer reading program, the children's story time, and maintenance of the aquarium in the children's area
- Paid for some of the magazine subscriptions that are sent to BPL
- Sponsored the Opera series with Norm Hollingshead
- Contributed books to a Free Little Library at the Municipal Court

In 2007 the BI Friends of the Library Board established an Endowment with accumulated sales proceeds of \$100,000. Every month since then (except during the Refresh Project), BI FOL has transferred approximately \$5,000 to the Endowment. The successful book sales have allowed FOL to increase that amount to \$8,000 during a few months this past year. The FOL Board has recommended that BPL refrain from withdrawing funds from the Endowment until it has become self-sustaining. The wish is that ultimately, the Endowment will provide one source of secure income for the Bainbridge Public Library.

LOIS REITZ PRESIDENT, BI FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY







Major Donors

Why I Give.

Islanders before us understood the need to build, maintain and improve their library. Now it's our time and our turn, and we happily consider it almost a civic duty to continue to donate. - Susan and Kim Bottles

A community that enthusiastically supports its public library understands the power of knowledge. We're proud to be longtime donors to the Bainbridge Public Library – the heartbeat of our community!

- Mary Ann and Val Tollefson

BPL is the place to BE! We love our *library where anyone can connect* with community and use its many resources to explore, educate, empower, and enrich life.

- Karoline and Wyman Johnson





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Thanks to the generous and ongoing support of our donors, we're able to continue to maintain our library building and grounds that help us preserve the integrity of our greatest asset, the Bainbridge Public Library building.

Below are some of the upcoming projects we plan to schedule over the next year:

PROJECT	EST COST	TIMELINE
Crawl space sump pump repair/upgrade	\$ 2,400	Jan. 2019 🗹
New garden shed roof	\$ 1,300	Feb. 2019 🗹
North side roof structural repair	\$40,000	2019
Stairwell window wall structural and sill repair	\$35,000	2019
Storm water system assessment, repair & upgrades	\$15,000	2019
Replace marginal meeting room sound system	\$4,500	2019
Parking lot redesign	\$20,000	2020
Waterproof building foundation walls at crawl space	e \$20,000	2020



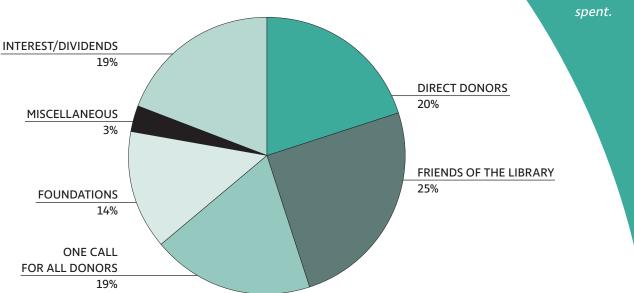




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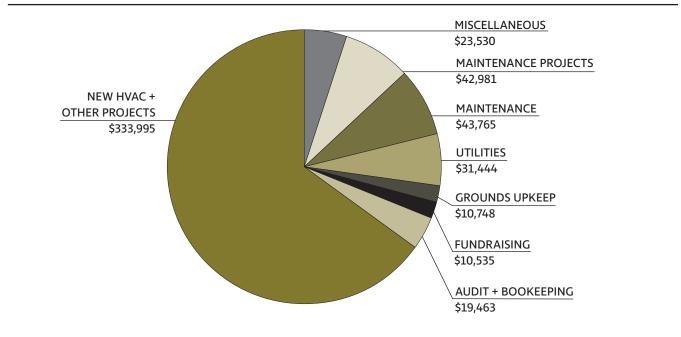
Summary of Sources & Use of Funds 2018

These pie charts show where the library funding comes from and how the funds are



BPL 2018 Sources of Funds

BPL 2018 Expenses



Legacy Circle Members

Create a Lasting Legacy with a Bequest to the Library that Bainbridge Built.

We thank those who've joined the Legacy Circle by naming the Bainbridge Public Library as a beneficiary in their will or through their estate plan. Legacy Circle members are honored on the Legacy Tree located in the library gardens. Each leaf on the tree is a promise that ensures the future of our library home.

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"Here, people come for new ideas, new meaning. Our library ignites our desire for learning and helps us thrive."

"I love the library because it's here for us throughout our lives. It offers free access to the wonders of reading."

- David and Cythia Harrison





"I can think of few better ways to contribute to the welfare of our Island." — Lois Reitz



Book Lovers Night Out



The 2nd Annual Book Lovers Night Out took place on Thursday, January 31st. The evening was a community gathering of local authors, book lovers, library champions, and Eagle Harbor Books—who supported the event with ticketing and book sales. Appetizers, delicious desserts provided by Sweet Dahlia, and a variety of beverages for the over-21 crowd were served prior to an entertaining panel discussion moderated by the inimitable Kevin O'Brien. He and Deb Caletti, Anna Quinn, Elizabeth George, and Lynn Brunelle shared stories about their own writing and careers, favorite books for book groups, and answered questions from the audience.





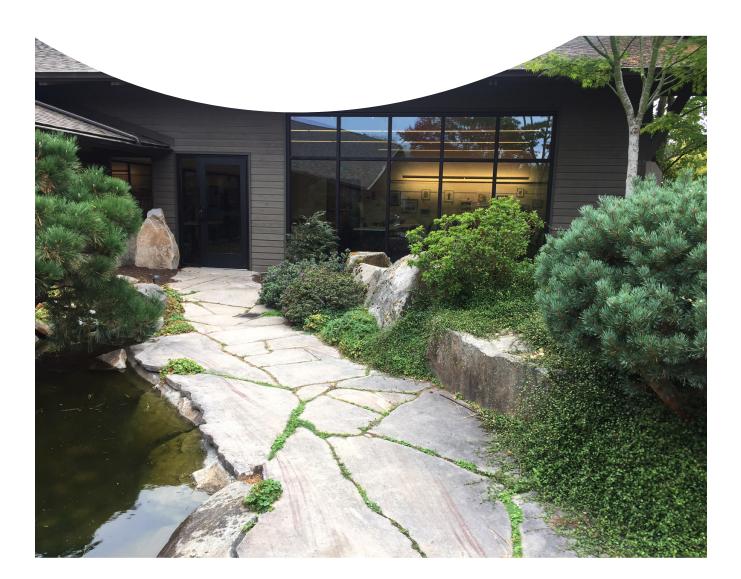
All members of the panel are part of Seattle7Writers, a nonprofit collective of Pacific Northwest authors whose mission is to foster and support a passion for the written word in our community and everywhere. After the lively discussion, the books purchased could be signed by the authors. BPL is grateful to the enthusiastic crowd of book lovers, library supporters, and the time and energy donated by the panel for making Book Lovers Night Out a continuing success.











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