A brief history of The Friends:
The “Association of Library Friends” was formed in December 1939 by Librarian Irving Cole and about 30 Friends. The first regular meeting was held in the Reading Room on October 24, 1940. Former mayor and local businessman Edward Molin became president in 1991, and under his guidance the Friends raised more than $1.5 million for the library’s addition and restoration.

How we raise funds:
Membership dues
Book sales: our semi-annual Great Old Book Sale
Community events: Books in Bloom, co-sponsored each spring with the Newburyport Horticultural Society; funds shared equally by the two organizations

What we fund:
It is likely that you have enjoyed some of these library offerings and events, which are funded by The Friends:
Materials: books, CDs, DVDs, videos, and a telescope for loan
Museum passes: Peabody Essex Museum, Museum of Fine Arts, Children’s Museum and others
Children’s and teens’ programs: Children’s Book Sale, reading lists and Checklist Challenge, story times, crafts, STEM learning programs
Adult programs: presentations, films, classes, crafts, knitting group

Membership
JOIN NOW ON OUR NEW SITE!
newburyportfol.org
Membership Application

Memberships run from July 1st to June 30th

I wish to join The Friends of the Newburyport Public Library in the following category:

- [ ] Senior or Student $5.00
- [ ] Individual $15.00
- [ ] Household $30.00
- [ ] Patron $50.00 and above

In addition, I wish to make a targeted donation:

- [ ] Archival Center $
- [ ] General Fund $

Contact information (PLEASE PRINT)

Name

Address

E-mail

Phone

Contact me by: [ ] E-mail [ ] Phone

[ ] Add me to the volunteer list

Please make checks payable to:
The Friends of the Newburyport Public Library
94 State Street
Newburyport MA 01950

You may mail your application and check or deliver them to the library Circulation Desk.

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The Friends of the Newburyport Public Library is:

A 100% volunteer organization drawn from among Newburyport Public Library patrons, North Shore businesses, and others

Dedicated to supplementing the City’s funding for library materials and programs for adults, teens and children

A 501(c)3 nonprofit organization registered in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Contributions are tax deductible.

Membership benefits:

Knowing that you are contributing to our library and the community at large

Admission to members-only opening nights of the book sales

E-mail notice of upcoming events and programs

Our events:

Great Old Book Sale in October and March
Children’s Magic Show & Book Sale in February
Books in Bloom in the spring
Annual Meeting in September

Volunteers:

We’re always looking for volunteers!
You can suit your own interests and schedule.