What a year it’s been for the Sturgis Library! Our primary focus has been our building renovation and preservation project. Thanks to major grants from the Massachusetts Cultural Facilities Fund and the Barnstable Community Preservation Committee, along with generous donations from individuals, organizations, and businesses, we successfully reached our funding goal. The project is almost finished, with just a few loose ends to tie up. Here’s what’s been done to date:

- Structural repairs to strengthen roof rafters and beams
- A new fire suppression system throughout the building
- New windows and a new roof in the rear portion of the building
- A new exterior staircase from the old portion of the building
- Repairs to the archival vault, and the installation of a waterless fire suppression system
- Repairs to the chimneys and masonry
- Renovations in the old basement and crawl spaces
- A new boiler and repairs to the HVAC system
- Renovations in the Kittredge Room, including new shelving, new carpeting, and painting
- Improvements to the drainage system around the building

Still left to complete are the replacement of the walkways, improvements to the driveway, and driveway repaving. We hope to have everything completed by the end of August.

Many thanks to Chris Raber of Brown, Lindquist, Fenuccio and Raber, Rich Bryant of Cape Associates, and the amazing workmen who showed up every day — in the freezing cold winter and the heat of summer — to get the job done. Thanks also to our staff and library visitors who put up with noise, dust, alarms, and other construction project side effects over the past eight months. Their patience and support has been very much appreciated!

—Lucy Loomis, Library Director


**Friends of Sturgis Library & Volunteers**

The Friends of Sturgis Library have been a valued auxiliary volunteer organization at the Sturgis Library for many decades. The Friends' mission has been to support the Library through fundraising events, cultural programming, community outreach, and other activities. Members of the Friends have helped to keep our bookshop running and planned many enjoyable and well-attended programs and events. Together with our corps of regular volunteers, they have given generously of their time and talents. We are grateful to all of our volunteers and to the Friends for their support, hard work, and dedication to the Library.

This year our Board of Trustees has been working with the Friends to clarify roles, correct financial issues regarding their nonprofit status, and to find new ways for the Friends to continue to be involved in supporting the Library and enhancing services. We look forward to working with the Friends in the coming year as we transition to a new working partnership.

There are many ways to volunteer at the Sturgis Library — shelving library materials, working in the bookshop, helping with special projects and events, and many other tasks. Contact Lucy Loomis, Library Director at 508-362-6636 or sturgislibrary@comcast.net if you are interested in learning more about our volunteer opportunities.

Please see a list of all of our dedicated volunteers on the following page.

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**How Do You Get Your Sturgis Library News?**

We’re only publishing a print newsletter once a year now, but there are lots of ways to stay up-to-date with the latest Sturgis Library news. Here’s how:

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Thursday, August 11th @ 10:30 am Mexican Tin Ornaments with Valerie Morgan and Emily Carter from Cotuit Library. Grades 1 and up. Registration required. Please call 508-362-6636 or email sturgiskids@comcast.net.

Tuesday, August 16th @ 6:30 pm Sturgis Library and the Barnstable Historical Society present “Meet the Author: Mark C. Wilkins.” Mr. Wilkins is the author of “Cape Cod’s Oldest Shipwreck: the Desperate Crossing of the Sparrow-Hawk.” Registration is appreciated. Please call 508-362-6636 or email sturgisreference@comcast.net.

Thursday, August 18th @ 10:30 am Butterflies of the Long Pasture Butterfly Mosaic with Mass Audubon. All ages. No registration necessary.

Friday, August 19th from 10 am to 5 pm and Saturday, August 20th from 11 am to 4 pm Antiques Show and Sale at the Barnstable West Barnstable Elementary School. Food and refreshments provided by the Friends of Sturgis Library. Baked good needed, as well as volunteers to help staff the bake sale table. If you’re interested in donating baked goods or volunteering, please call the Library at 508-362-6636 or email Elizabeth Payne at elizapayne@comcast.net.

Friday, September 8th @ 6:30 pm Author Saloma Miller Furlong will discuss her book, “Why I Left the Amish.” Registration is appreciated. Please call 508-362-6636 or email sturgisreference@comcast.net.

Monday, September 12th @ 7 pm Presentation on climate change and the Arctic. Offered by the Friends of Sturgis Library.

Saturday, September 17th @ 5:30 PM Autumn Fest, an auction and gala event sponsored by Sturgis Library and the Barnstable Historical Society, to be held at the Barnstable Historical Society across the street from the Sturgis Library. Tickets on sale starting in August at both locations.

Tuesday, September 27th @ 6:45 pm Meet local nature essayist Robert Finch, who will read from and sign his newest book, “A Cape Cod Notebook.” Registration is appreciated. Please call 508-362-6636 or email sturgisreference@comcast.net.

Saturday, October 11th @ 7 pm Hydrangea program by the Friends of Sturgis Library.

Saturday, November 12th Sturgis Craft sale from 10 am to 2 pm followed by a concert by local singer-songwriter Diana DiGioia @ 3 pm.

Thursday mornings at 10:30 am
Preschool storytime with Miss Karen. Children ages 2-5 and their parents are invited to attend this weekly sharing of stories, songs, fingerplays, and creative projects. Registration is appreciated, but drop-ins are fine, too! To register, call the library at 508-362-6636 or email sturgiskids@comcast.net.

To find out about all our great programs and events throughout the year, please subscribe to our email newsletter at www.sturgislibrary.org/news/newsletter.

You can also check our events calendar at www.sturgislibrary.org/calendar/
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