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Patriots' Day

The Bancroft Memorial Library will be closed on Monday, April 18 in observance of Patriots' Day.

New Website

Check out our redesigned website! Now it is even easier to find out what is happening at the Bancroft Memorial Library.



Peeps Diorama

National Library Week (April 3-9) is a time to celebrate our nation's libraries and promote library use! Pick up a diorama kit (includes a package of Peeps and a plastic shoebox) on April 1st or 2nd. Create a Diorama of Peeps based on anything you can find at the Library (a book, movie, magazine, etc.) and return on April 15th or 16th. We will display the dioramas throughout the Library from April 19-23rd. All ages are encouraged to participate!

Mason Jar Lid Bunny Ornament Take and Make Kit

Get ready to decorate for spring! Pick up a bunny ornament kit the week of April 11. All you need is a glue gun!

April Display Case – Birds!

Oh joy! The snow is melting and spring is in the air! Soon many birds will be making nests in our birdhouses. Would you like to see some beautiful birds right now?? Come to the Library! Thanks to Bobbie Elfland, we will have the much-needed color of her bird collection in the display case at the library for the month of April. Just in time for spring! We also have many books about the birds that you might see in the collection here at the Library. Please come in, welcome spring, and enjoy the birds!

Ongoing Monthly Library Events

Helen Symonds Book Group

The Hopedale Book Discussion Group meets monthly on the first Wednesday of the month at 1:00pm in the Bancroft Memorial Library meeting room. New members are always welcome. If interested in joining the group, please leave your contact information at the Circulation Desk.

The group will meet on Wednesday, April 6 at 1:00 pm to discuss a literary classic, The Great

Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald. Set in the Jazz Age on Long Island, near New York City, the novel depicts narrator Nick Carraway's interactions with mysterious millionaire Jay Gatsby and Gatsby's obsession to reunite with his former love, Daisy Buchanan.

Travel virtually with the group to San
Francisco on Wednesday, May 4 at 1:00 pm
as we discuss The Nature of Fragile Things by
Susan Meissner. "April 18, 1906: A massive
earthquake rocks San Francisco just before daybreak,
igniting a devouring inferno. Lives are lost, lives are
shattered, but some rise from the ashes forever
changed." —adapted from CWMARS catalog

Wednesday Needlework Group

Join us for an evening of needlework every Wednesday night from 6:00pm until 7:45pm. Bring your latest project. No commitment required – come when you can!

Friends of the Hopedale Library

The Friends of the Hopedale Library are pleased to present **NE Nature Talk:**

Birds in Your Backyard on Wednesday, April 27 from 6:30-7:30 pm. Join us as Joy Marzolf talks about the wide variety of birds that visit the Greater Boston area. Learn about how to attract them, what makes a good backyard habitat, and migration patterns. Come find out about our local birds and occasional visitors. Experience the sights and sounds of some of our most beautiful neighbors. To register for this free program please stop by the library or call 508-634-2209. All ages are welcome.



Friends of the Hopedale Library (continued)

Southwick's Zoo Tickets!

The Friends of the Library are sponsoring a free drawing for a limited



number of passes to Southwick's Zoo. To enter the drawing, you must fill out a form in person at the Library. The Friends will be drawing 25 names, and each will receive two free passes to Southwick's Zoo. Entries will be accepted from April 1 - April 14, with the drawing held Friday, April 15th. There is one entry per family/per address. If your entry is selected, you will receive a phone call from a member of the Friends of the Library on April 15. Passes will be held at the circulation desk for pick up. Available to Hopedale residents only.

Bancroft Memorial Library's Museum Pass Program

The Museum Pass Program is made possible through the support and generosity of the Friends of the Hopedale Library and The Hopedale Foundation and provides options for free or discounted admission to a number



for free or discounted admission to a number of area attractions, including Massachusetts State Parks, Ecotarium, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Tower Hill Botanic Garden, and the USS Constitution Museum. Passes to the Providence Children's Museum and Old Sturbridge Village will be added as soon as they are received. Hopedale residents can also reserve passes to the New England Aquarium and the Museum of Science (These two passes are provided by The Hopedale Foundation and are limited to Hopedale residents only.) Passes can be reserved up to 30 days in advance. To reserve a pass, visit the Library's website at https://www.hopedale-ma.gov/services/collections-and-resources/pages/museum-passes-available or contact Library Staff at 508-634-2209.

The Friends of the Hopedale Library support the Library by providing funds for equipment, materials and programs to supplement the regular operating budget. They offer adult events September- June and fund the children's summer reading and other programs. More information can be found at https://www.hopedale-ma.gov/bancroft-memorial-library/pages/friends-library.

News from the Marjorie Hattersley Children's Room

Welcome Spring!

Join us on Saturday, April 2 from 11am-12pm for a spring story and a very special craft, a mini birdhouse decoration. For ages 5 and up, please register with Mrs. Kraimer at (508)634-2209. Thank you to Mary Alice Gruppi for donating the mini birdhouses!

Spring Story Hours

Listen to stories, sing songs, and make a craft with Mrs. Kraimer on Tuesdays at 3:15pm on April 5 and 12. This program is for ages 3 and up. Please contact Mrs. Kraimer at (508)634-2209 to register.

April StoryWalk®

The Bancroft Memorial Library is pleased to present a special StoryWalk® featuring

I Took the Moon for a Walk by Carolyn

Curtis. The April StoryWalk® will be located

on the Hopedale Community House Lawn from th

on the Hopedale Community House Lawn from April 11-23. Share the story as you walk along the path!

Special Storytime with Author Carolyn Curtis

Enjoy a special Storytime and craft featuring Carolyn Curtis, author of <u>I Took the Moon for a Walk</u>, the featured book in our April StoryWalk®. The program will be held in the Library's Program Room on Tuesday, April 19 at 3pm. Registration is required. Please call Mrs. Kraimer to register at (508)634-2209. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Hopedale Library. Ages 3 and up.

Sunflower Storytime

Looking for something to do during April Vacation? Come in on Wednesday, April 20 at 3pm to hear a gardening story and plant a sunflower to take home! This program is for ages 3 and up. Registration is required. Call Mrs. Kraimer at (508)634-2209 to register!