



# DECEMBER 2018



**BANCROFT MEMORIAL LIBRARY & HOPEDALE, MA**  
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**Holiday Hours:** Monday 12/24 1:00 - 4:30  
 Tuesday 12/25 closed  
 Monday 12/31 1:00 - 5:00  
 Tuesday 1/1 closed

## New at the Library

### **Hopedale's Annual Winter Stroll - December 1:**

Stop by the library during our extended hours 10:00 am to 6:00 pm to warm up with Hot Cider and cookies. We are also a stop on the Cocoa Crawl – be sure to taste our version and vote! We will have vendors in the program room and author tables in the Reading Room. There will be a make-and-take holiday craft in the Children's Room.



**Special New Year's Raffle Basket** – Be sure to buy a raffle ticket for our basket filled with everything you need to welcome 2019! Gift cards for Shaw's and the Hopedale Package Store, party hats and glasses, assorted snacks, hand painted wine glasses, champagne and sparkling cider. Open the basket and let the party begin!!!

## **WiFi HotSpots - Enjoy high-speed Internet access anytime, anywhere—free!**

We have recently acquired 2 WiFi HotSpots to loan to our patrons.

**What is a HotSpot?** The HotSpot is an easy -to-use mobile device that offers Internet access over the Sprint network using WiFi technology. You can connect up to 10 Wi-Fi enabled devices to a BML HotSpot and get high-speed Internet virtually anywhere you can get Sprint mobile service. Our 2 HotSpots can be checked out for a week at a time and Bancroft Memorial Library patrons in good standing can place holds on them.

## **Special Holiday Display**

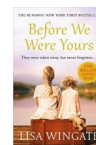
Beautiful decorations make the holidays special! Please come see our display case dressed in its holiday finest. A collection of *White House Ornaments* owned by Lizabeth Zyskowski will be on display for the public to enjoy from November 13th through January 2<sup>nd</sup>. We would like to thank Lizabeth for sharing these beautiful ornaments.



## **Ongoing Monthly Library Events**

**Helen Symonds Book** The Helen Symonds Book Group meets in the Library Program Room at 1:00 PM on the first Wednesday of every month. Everyone is welcome to join the group. Please call the library at (508) 634-2209 to request a copy of the book and come join the discussion.

This month's meeting will be **Wednesday, Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM**. The book for discussion will be Circe by Madeline Miller.



Due to the busy holiday season, the next meeting will be on the second Wednesday, Jan. 9 at 1:00 pm. The book for discussion will be Before We Were Yours by Lisa Wingate. *"Memphis, Tennessee, 1936. The five Foss children find their lives changed forever when their parents leave them alone on the family shantyboat one stormy night. Rill Foss, just twelve years old, must protect her four younger siblings as they are wrenched from their home on the Mississippi and thrown into the care of the infamous Georgia Tann, director of the Tennessee Children's Home Society. South Carolina, Present Day. Avery Stafford has lived a charmed life. But when Avery comes home to help her father weather a health crisis and a political attack, a chance encounter with a stranger leaves her deeply shaken. Avery's decision to learn more about the woman's life will take her on a journey through her family's long-hidden history"*-- Provided by publisher:C/WMARS catalog

**CookBook Club** It's the holiday season!! Time for lights, gifts, friends and good food! Unless you're a real Scrooge you have to admit that Christmas still makes you feel like a kid! Please join us on **Monday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm** when the Cookbook Club will share a meal using recipes from the book, ***Better Homes and Gardens Christmas Cooking From the Heart***. The book contains recipes from brunch to dinner including ideas for leftovers and gifts. What would the holiday be without a handmade ornament? Boring, that's what! So we will also be making an ornament to take home. First time guests just come and enjoy! No need to cook! Please call the library to reserve a place at the table.



**Wednesday Knitting & Crocheting Group** Have you been knitting for a while but want to spend time with other crafters? Do you have a project that has been waiting for you to "get around to it?" Join the Knovel Knitters in the Trustee Room for an evening of knitting & crocheting every Wednesday night from 6:00pm until 7:45pm.

**Please see reverse side for additional program news.**

To receive Library updates please like us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Bancroft-Memorial-Library>, visit us on the web at <http://www.hopedale-ma.gov/bancroft-memorial-library> or download our new App.



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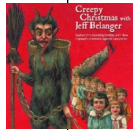
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## Friends of the Hopedale Library



**Sunday, December 9, 2018, 2 pm - 3pm All4Won Holiday Concert and Afternoon Tea**

Please join us for a concert with the local a capella quartet All 4WoN in the upstairs Reading Room. Cookies, tea and hot chocolate will be provided. To reserve your seat please call the library or stop by the upstairs circulation desk. Seats are limited!



**Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 6:30 pm A Creepy Christmas with Jeff Belanger**

Please join us for a creepy evening! Remember the famous Christmas song which goes "There'll be scary ghost stories and tales of the glories of Christmases long, long ago..."? Bellingham native Jeff Belanger brings the spooky back to the yuletide time of year with **Creepy Christmas**. From the origins of the holiday to the monsters and ghosts that lurk in its shadows, Jeff will take you on a multi-media journey of this haunting holiday. **NOTE: This program is not for young children.** To reserve your seat, please call the library or stop by the upstairs circulation desk.

The Friends of the Hopedale Library meet the first Tuesday morning of each month. The November meeting will be **December 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am** in the Library Reference Room. Anyone interested in helping the Library and planning our adult programming is welcome to join.

*The Friends of the Hopedale Library support the Library by providing funds for equipment, materials and programs not covered by the regular operating budget. They offer adult events and pay for the children's summer reading and other programs. More information can be found at <http://www.hopedale-ma.gov/bancroft-memorial-library/pages/friends-library>. Please join!*

## News from the Marjorie Hattersley Children's Room

Story times will resume during the weeks of December 3 & 10, with holiday stories and crafts featured:

**Once upon a Story time for children 3 to 6 years old: Tuesdays at 3:15pm.** This hour program will include

stories, puppets, music and crafts.

**Wonderful Wednesday Storytime for kindergarten and up: Wednesdays at 3:15pm.** This hour program will include stories, puppets, music and crafts.

**Preschool Storytime for children, age 2 to 4 years: Thursdays at 11am.** This 45 minute program will include stories, fingerplays, puppets, nursery rhymes and music.

**Registration is requested for all story times.**

**Saturday, Dec. 1st Annual Christmas Stroll:** Don't forget to stop by the Children's Room for make-and-take holiday crafts.

**Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup> - Lunch with Santa, 12:00pm**

Parents and preschool children, age 2 and older are invited to join us for lunch, music, and a visit with our very jolly Guest of Honor. Library staff will provide lunch for the children. Parents should bring a small blanket to sit on, and voices ready for singing. Registration is required. Please call the Library by 6pm on Wednesday, Dec. 12, to let us know you are coming.



**The Mitten Tree** -Please stop by the Children's Room with your donation to our Mitten Tree. Each year, we welcome gifts of new or handmade mittens, hats, scarves, and gloves to be given to the Milford Food Pantry.

**Thursday, December 27<sup>th</sup> 1pm- 2:30pm -Pizza and Game Break**

- For parents who need a little quiet time, and kids looking for something to do during winter vacation. Children age 5 thru 12 are invited to come to the library, munch on pizza, and play some of our collection of board games. We have games for all ages, including several new ones. There is no charge for this event, but registration is requested. Please call the Library for information or to register.



For registration for all children's programs and story times, please call (508) 634-2209 or e-mail Mrs. Krammer at [ekrammer@cwmar.org](mailto:ekrammer@cwmar.org).

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