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Holiday Hours: Please note that the Library will be closed on Monday, February 18th for President's Day.

Inclement Weather: Any weather related closing will be announced on the local cable channel, WMRC, the Library Facebook page and the Library webpage.

New Library Director:

A thank you from Ann Fields: As many of you know, I will be retiring on January 31. I have been the library director for the past 10 years and cannot thank you enough as a community for your support of the library and me. The Bancroft Memorial Library is a beautiful building to enter each day and wonderful place to work. It has been a pleasure to work with this talented staff, Library Board of Trustees, and Friends of the Hopedale Library. I would like to thank all of them for their encouragement, hard work, and making the job so much fun. While I will miss visiting with our library patrons, I am excited to know you will have a great new director who will bring new skills, enthusiasm, and energy to the library.

Welcome New Director, Robyn York! Your new Library Director, Robyn York joins the staff on Friday, February 1. Robyn, a Hopedale resident, will be a familiar face to many of our library patrons. She worked at the Bancroft Memorial Library as a library assistant for three years while taking classes to earn her Master of Library and Information Science degree from Simmons University. She has since been Head Librarian in two busy school libraries, working with students and teachers as they navigate the ever changing world of technology in order to research class topics. Please join us as we welcome Robyn back to the Bancroft Memorial Library.

WiFi HotSpots - Enjoy high-speed Internet access anytime, anywhere–free!

A 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 highspeed 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.

Display Case

Please stop by to see the latest collection in our display case. A collection of German steins and decorative glasses are on loan from Karen Pendleton. Karen is a local artist and started her collection when she was stationed in Germany with the Air Force.

Ongoing Monthly Library Events

<u>Helen Symonds Book</u> The Helen Symonds Book Group meets in the Library Program Room at 1:00 PM on the first Wednesday of every month. Please call the library to request a copy of the book and join the discussion.

This month The Helen Symonds Book Group will meet on **Feb. 6th at 1:00 pm.** The group will discuss a mystery, <u>The</u> <u>Death of Mrs. Westaway</u>, by Ruth Ware. Please join us!

Our March meeting will be **March 6, 2019**. The book will be <u>Ice Bound: A Doctor's Incredible Battle for Sur-</u> <u>vival at the South Pole</u> by Jerri Nielsen. "A physician stranded at the South Pole describes how she discovered a lump in her breast, treated herself with a biopsy and chemotherapy, and was rescued by the Air National Guard, and reflects on her experiences and her colleagues." C/WMARS catalog.

CookBook Club Please join us on **Monday, February 25th, at 6:30pm** when the Cookbook Club will be making recipes from the cookbook, **Delish**, by Joanna Saltz. Have you ever run out of ideas for the age old question "What's for dinner?" Looking for some new ideas? Recipes included in the book are from the team behind the popular website delish.com.

As always first time guests do not need to cook. Just come and enjoy! 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.

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Friends of the Hopedale Library The Friends of the Hopedale Library are

pleased to present Justin Locke's Principles of Applied Stupidity on Wednesday, February 27th, at 6:30 pm in our downstairs program room. Come learn about The Principles of Applied Stupidity which are very effective management tools that leaders and managers secretly use every day. Mr. Locke

will show how actions traditionally labeled "dumb" are actually the most effective way to approach all types of problems and situations, especially when managing people or working creatively. These simple yet effective people skills can be used anywhere! They apply to leadership, management, communications and more! Books will be available for purchase at the close of the program.

There is no charge for this program. To reserve your spot please call or stop by the library.

Want to join The Friends of the Hopedale Library? The Friends meet at the library on the second Tuesday of the month at 10 am during the school year. We always welcome new members! Please call or stop by the upstairs circulation desk to join. The February meeting will be on Tuesday, February 12, at 10:00 am in the Library Reference Room.

Check your annual census mailing for information about Friends of the Hopedale Library including a form to join the Friends. Your support of time, baked goods, and attendance at programs as well as financial support make our library a great place for the community. Please sign up for smile.amazon.com and choose the library as the charity to receive a donation equal to .5% of your Amazon order.

The Friends of the Hopedale Library helps to support the Library by providing funds for equipment, materials and programs not covered by the regular operating budget. They offer adult events September- June and pay for the children's summer reading and other programs. New members are always welcome! More information can be found at http://www.hopedale-ma.gov/bancroft-memorial-library/pages/friends -library.

News from the Marjorie Hattersley Children's Room

Pajama Drive: We will be participating in the 12th Annual PJ Drive being sponsored by the Boston

Bruins from February 1 - March 15. The drive will benefit Cradles for Crayons and DCF Wonderfund, two non-profits that ensure positive living conditions for children. There are a variety of prizes



being donated by the Bruins to libraries on the basis of how many pairs of pj's are collected. Please help by donating new pajamas in the Children's Room.

Bring Your Child to the Library Day:

Along with other public libraries throughout the country, we will celebrate "Bring Your Child to the Library Day" on Saturday, February 2. Parents and children are invited to the Library to share muffins, juice and coffee in the Children's Room at 10:30 followed by Cherie & Dave, formerly of Ringling Brothers Circus, presenting an interactive storytime and circus show: Dr. Seuss' If I Ran the Circus.



Silliness, juggling, music and circus fun will be the order of the day. This part of the program will begin at 11am.

Please call the Library with questions or to let us know you are coming!

School Vacation Week Movie:

On Thursday, February 21, children in grades K and up are invited to bring a picnic lunch and join us for a movie in the Program Room. We will provide an after-lunch treat. Interested parents should contact Mrs. Kraimer in the Children's Room.



For registration for all children's programs and story times, please call (508) 634-2209 or e-mail Mrs. Kraimer at ekraimer@cwmars.org.

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