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January Holidays

The Library will be **CLOSED** the following days this month:

Saturday, January 1 (New Year's Day)

Monday, January 17 (Martin Luther King, Jr. Day)



Hygge at the Bancroft Memorial Library

The holiday rush is over and it's time to relax and unwind and enjoy life's simple pleasures. This January, you are invited to experience hygge (pronounced "hoo-guh") at the Bancroft Memorial Library. A Danish concept, hygge embodies coziness and a feeling of contentment. Come in to read or help us complete a jigsaw puzzle. We have some fun, low-key activities planned for the month!



Coloring for Relaxation

Every Tuesday this month we will have coloring pages and markers in the Reference Room for ages 12 to adult as part of Coloring for Relaxation. This is a great activity to de-stress!



Game Night

Spend some time with your family and friends on Wednesday evenings in January from 4-7:30pm with Game Night at the Bancroft Memorial Library. We will put out some games for all ages in the Reading Room.



Hygge At Home Kits

Starting January 3, pick up a Hygge At Home Kit. There are kits for children and kits for teens and adults. Each kit contains an easy candle holder craft (flameless tealight included), a packet of hot cocoa, some word puzzles, coloring pages, and book recommendations. Check out a music CD, book or audiobook, and you will be ready to experience hygge at home!



Jigsaw Puzzles

The Bancroft Memorial Library is now circulating puzzles for all ages! Browse our selection, located on the bookshelf behind the circulation desk! Do you have a puzzle in good condition (with all pieces



intact) that is looking for a new home? If you have puzzles you would like to donate, please call us at (508)634-2209, or stop by the Circulation Desk.

Curbside Pickup



Did you know that we are still doing curbside pickup at Bancroft Memorial Library?? It's true! Call or email us with a request for curbside pickup. We will let you know when your items are bagged and ready to be picked up. To pick up, just walk in the front door and grab the bag with your name on it. The items are checked out and ready to go. If you can't pick up right away, no need to worry. Just let us know when you can pick up your items and everything will be ready for you. It's that easy! Please email the library at hopedalelibrary@cwmars.org or call 508-634-2209 for info about curbside pickup.

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, January 5 at 1pm to discuss Anxious People by Fredrik Backman. "Taken hostage by an unsuccessful bank robber while attending an open house, eight anxiety-prone strangers—including a redemption-seeking bank director, two couples who would fix their marriages, and a plucky octogenarian—discover their unexpected common traits." – CWMARS catalog



The book to be discussed in February will be The Vanishing Half by Brit Bennett. "The Vignes twin sisters are identical, growing up together in a small, Southern black community in the 1950's and running away at age sixteen. We follow the sisters as they take different paths, one returning home and the other passing as white. Brit Bennett produces a story that is at once a riveting, emotional family story and a brilliant exploration of the American history of passing." –Book Summary



For updates throughout the month, Friend us on Facebook, sign up at <https://www.hopedale-ma.gov/subscribe> to receive library news via email, and sign up at www.wowbrary.org to discover our newest books, movies & music. Our webpage is <https://www.hopedale-ma.gov/bancroft-memorial-library> .

Wednesday Needlework Group

Have you been completing needlework crafts for a while but want to spend time with others? Perhaps you have always wanted to learn how to knit? Join Knovel Knitters for an evening of needlework every Wednesday night from 6:00pm until 7:45pm. No commitment required – come when you can!



Friends of the Hopedale Library

Thank You!



The Friends of the Hopedale Library would like to thank all of the donors that made our November Raffle Baskets such a great success. Thank you to everyone who supported us by buying a ticket as well. With your help and support we have raised over \$700 to go towards future children's and adult programming. Our donors were:

Ace Hardware, the Bancroft Memorial Library staff, Beyond Full, Billi Manning, Cumberland Farms, Dairy Queen, Honeydew Donuts, Hopedale Package Store, Hopedale Town Hall staff, Janice Fielder, Karen Pendleton, Lambert's Garden Center, Lowes, Liquor World, Mac Package, the Ross/Rosse family, Southwick's Zoo, and Sue Henley.

Book Donation Day



The Friends of the Hopedale Library will be holding a "Book Donation Day" in the downstairs program room on Saturday, January 8th from 10 am to 2 pm and Wednesday, January 12th from 4 pm to 8 pm. Books should be in good, non-yellowed condition. We ask that adult titles be 10 years old or newer. Children's books of any age in good condition will be accepted. Donated books will go into our Ongoing Book Sale, which is open whenever the library is! All monies earned from our book sales go right back to the Library to pay for programming and other unbudgeted needs.

The Friends meet the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm. New members are always welcome! Please call or stop by the upstairs circulation desk to join.

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

Wingmasters



Bancroft Memorial Library is very excited to bring Julie Collier of Wingmasters to Hopedale on Wednesday, January 19 at 3:45pm with her wonderful program, North American Birds of Prey. Ms. Collier, who has been rehabilitating raptors in western Massachusetts for more than 30 years, will bring an American Kestrel falcon, a Peregrine falcon, a Red-tailed Hawk, and three owls, including a Great Horned Owl, the hero of the well-known story by Jane Yolen, Owl Moon. Ms. Collier and her partner, Jim Park, are licensed raptor rehabilitators and have a group of non-releasable birds, which they present in educational programs throughout New England. This program is open to children 6 years and older, as well as adults. Registration and masks are required. Please call Mrs. Kraimer to register at (508)634-2209. This program is made possible by the generosity of the Friends of the Hopedale Library.

Winter Story Hours

January 25, February 1, 8, 15, and 22 at 3:15pm

It's time for Winter Story Hours with Mrs. Kraimer for ages 3 and up! Come in from the cold and listen to stories, sing songs, and make a craft. Space is limited. Please call Mrs. Kraimer to register today at (508)634-2209.



Take Your Child to the Library Day

Celebrate "Take Your Child to the Library Day" on Saturday, February 5 at 11am. Start the morning singing with perennial favorite, Kathy Earabino, and then create a special winter craft afterwards. Children, 5 years or older with a parent or guardian, may register for a library card. This program is for children of all ages. Please call Mrs. Kraimer to register today at (508)634-2209.

