



MARCH 2017



BANCROFT MEMORIAL LIBRARY  HOPEDALE, MA

HOPEDALE BANCROFT LIBRARY NEWS Inclement Weather Information

If the Library needs to close because of weather we will announce the closing on the local cable channel, WMRC, the Library Facebook page and the Library webpage.

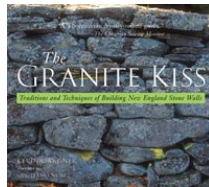


Library App

Bancroft Memorial Library has its own app, available from Google Play or the App Store. Search the catalog, place holds, read the newsletter, and get information on upcoming events, right from your mobile device. Search the app store for "Bancroft Memorial Library"

Friends of the Hopedale Library March Program:

The Friends of the Hopedale Library are pleased to present Discovering New England Stone Walls with Kevin Gardner on Wednesday, March 22nd. The program will run from 6:30-8 pm in the downstairs program room.



Mr. Gardner is the author of The Granite Kiss: Traditions and Techniques of Building New England Stone Walls. His informal talk will touch on history, technique, stylistic development, and aesthetics. He will explain how and why New England came to acquire its thousands of miles of stone walls, the ways in which they and other dry stone structures were built, how their styles emerged and changed over time and their significance to the famous New England landscape. Techniques will be demonstrated using tiny stones from a five-gallon bucket. The presentation will conclude with a question and answer session. Listeners are encouraged to bring up specific problems or projects on their own properties. Copies of The Granite Kiss will be available for purchase.

There is no charge for this event. To reserve your spot please stop by the Bancroft Memorial Library upstairs registration desk or call [508-634-2209](tel:508-634-2209). You do not have to be a member of the Friends of the Hopedale Library to attend but new members are always welcome!

Friends of the Hopedale Library Meeting

The Friends of the Hopedale Library meetings are held on the first Tuesday morning of each month. Their next meeting will be in the Library Reference Room on Tuesday, March 7th at 10:00 AM. The April meeting will be on Tuesday April 4th. Anyone interested in helping the Library and planning our adult programming is welcome and encouraged to join them.

The Friends of the Hopedale Library was founded in 1983. They work with the Library staff and Trustees 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, pay for the children's summer reading and for other programs. New members are always welcome! More information can be found at <http://www.hopedale-ma.gov/bancroft-memorial-library/pages/friends-library>

Author Talk

Cheryl "Melody" Baskin will be at the library on Wednesday, March 15, 2017 at 6:30 pm to discuss her book: "Shift of Heart: Paths to Healing and Love".

Her presentation will interweave motivational speaking, discussion of her creative process, poetic song lyrics, experiential insights, storytelling, and interactive question and answer dialogue, followed by autograph-signing of "Shift of Heart: Paths to Healing and Love". From the time that she was young, "Melody"-as she prefers to be called-has been a creative dreamer, quietly listening to life's whispers and signs to help guide her next steps. Although she is known as a performing artist, composer, recording artist, keynote speaker and workshop facilitator, she is now courageously walking a new path of author with the release of her motivational self-help book. Books and collection of Melody's CD's will be available for purchase. Please call the library to register at 508-634-2209.



ONGOING MONTHLY LIBRARY EVENTS Helen Symonds Book Group

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, March 1st at 1:00 PM. The discussion book will be Good Night Mr. Wodehouse by Faith Sullivan.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 5th at 1:00 PM. The book will be Not My Father's Son: A Memoir by Alan Cumming. From the C/WMARS catalog: *Dark, painful memories can be like a cage. Or, in the case of Alan Cumming, they can be packed away in a box, stuck in the attic to be forgotten. Until one day the box explodes and all the memories flood back in horrible detail. Alan Cumming grew up in the grip of a man who held his family hostage, someone who meted out violence with a frightening ease, who waged a silent war with himself that sometimes spilled over onto everyone around him. That man was Alex Cumming, Alan's father. My Father's Son is a powerful story of embracing the best aspects of the past and triumphantly pushing the darkness aside.*



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ONGOING MONTHLY LIBRARY EVENTS- CONTINUED

Coloring Tuesday



Coloring is for adults, too! Join us for a relaxing time coloring in the Reference Area of the Library on Tuesday, March 14 and Tuesday, March 28th from 10-11 AM. We will provide colored pencils and coloring sheets or you may bring your own.



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 for an evening of knitting & crocheting every Wednesday night from 6:00 until 7:45 PM.



CookBook Club

Sweet treats is the theme for this month's cookbook club. When you're stressed you eat chocolates and sweets because "stressed" is "desserts" spelled backwards. Stressed or not- join us on Monday, March 13th at 6:30PM for our favorite desserts! We will have samples and recipes to share. Bring a friend! Everyone is welcome! Please call the library at 508 634-2209 to reserve your place.



Museum Pass of the Month: Tower Hill Botanic Garden

Tower Hill Botanic Garden is the home of the Worcester County Horticultural Society, the third oldest organization of its kind in the country. Located at 11 French Drive, Boylston MA, Tower Hill Botanic Garden is open Tuesday through Sunday 10AM to 5 PM. It is closed on Mondays. Current events include *Camellias in Color*, *Sunday Afternoon Tours*, *Storytime in the Conservatories*. Check their website for other events and programs at www.towerhillbg.org. You can reserve a pass for Tower Hill Botanic Gardens, which provides 50% off for 2 adults, using our online pass reservation system at <http://www.hopedale-ma.gov/bancroft-memorial-library/pages/museum-passes-available>, where you can also see the other passes we offer.

NEWS FROM THE MARJORIE HATTERSLEY CHILDREN'S ROOM

Early Spring Story Hours - will begin during the week of February 27, will continue through the week of April 3.

Tell Me a Story, for children age 3 to 6 years, will be on Tuesday afternoons at 3:30pm. Stories and crafts!

Toddler Time, for children age 18 to 36 months, will take place on Thursday mornings at 11am. Stories, music, puppets!

Celebrate Spring with a story/craft program

Children in grades K thru 3 are invited to Celebrate Spring with a story/craft program in the Children's Room on Saturday, March 18 at 11am. We will enjoy a variety of Spring stories, as well as creating some lovely spring themed crafts. Registration is requested.

Pajama-Rama Stuffy Sleepover

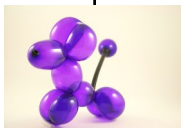
We'll celebrate the return of warm weather with **Pajama-Rama** on Wednesday, March 29 at 6:30pm. We'll join Deb Hudgins in story, song, dance, and fun. Youngsters age 3 and older are invited to come in their pajamas...and bring a stuffed animal who'd like to stay for a special stuffy sleepover. We promise to entertain ...and take good care of... your stuffy friends until you can return Thursday to pick them up.



Pokémon Card Trading

Pokémon card trading will continue on Wednesdays at 3:30pm. Bring a snack! Bring a friend!

Save the Date: DJ Mike presents Balloons, Balloons, Wed., April 5 @6:15 pm for ages 3-6. Stories, balloon animals for everyone!



For information regarding all children's programs please call Mrs. Kraimer at (508) 634-2209 or e-mail her at ekraimer@cwmar.org. Patrons must register for programs – snacks & craft materials need to be planned, so we need to know how many children to expect.

The Bancroft Memorial Library is located at 50 Hopedale Street, Hopedale, MA 01747. Call the Library at (508) 634-2209 for program information.

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