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Columbus Day

The Bancroft Memorial Library will be closed on Monday, October 11 in observance of Columbus Day.



Tiny Halloween Bird Houses

Get ready for Halloween by creating a unique spooky scene with Mary Alice Gruppi on Monday, October 4 at 6:30pm. This program is for ages 16 to adult. Please call the Library at (508)634-2209 to register.



National Cookie Month

October is National Cookie Month. Stop by the Library every Saturday in October between 10am and 2pm and pick up a new recipe to try out with your family and friends! Some special ingredients will be provided each week.



National Friends of Libraries Week

National Friends of Libraries Week is October 17-23. Help us thank *The Friends* on Monday, October 18 from 1-5pm. *The Friends of the Hopedale Library* provides funds for equipment, materials, and programming to supplement the regular operating budget. Please stop by and express your thanks on a sticky note and have a celebratory treat!



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. If interested in joining the group, please leave your contact information at the Circulation Desk.

The group will meet on Wednesday, October 6 at 1pm to discuss *The Rose Code* by Kate Quinn. "Explore the secretive world of Bletchley Park in this immersive saga. Debutant Osla Kendall meets fellow Bletchley Park recruit Mab Churt on the train in 1940. While working at Bletchley, they share a room at the home of Beth Finch. After discovering Beth's talent for solving crosswords, Osla helps Beth get a job interview at Bletchley Park. Beth shines in her work on breaking codes, but when she discovers someone at Bletchley is likely a traitor, no one believes her. She winds up the suspected traitor and is committed at Clockwell Sanitarium after having a mental breakdown. In 1947, four years later, Beth contacts Osla and Mab, who help Beth escape from Clockwell. The women work to crack a code



that will help them find the traitor. Quinn's narrative is enhanced by her richly drawn characters, who unite under the common purpose of Britain's war effort, and by the fascinating code-breaking techniques, which come alive via Quinn's extensive historical detail." --Adapted from PW Reviews

The book for discussion in November will be *Dear Edward* by Ann Napolitano. Napolitano builds a gentle but persistent tension as she navigates the mind of passengers on a plane that is about to crash, and the thoughts of the boy who is the only survivor.



Twelve-year-old Eddie Adler is flying with his family from New York City to Los Angeles, a temporary relocation for his mother's television writing job. When the plane crashes in Colorado, Eddie is the sole survivor. Follow Eddie in his struggle to build a new life living with his aunt and uncle. Napolitano's depiction of the nuances of post-trauma experiences is fearless, compassionate, and insightful.

Wednesday Knitting & Crocheting Group

Join the Knovel Knitters for an evening of knitting and crocheting every Wednesday night from 6:00pm until 7:45pm.

Tween/Teen Craft—Mandala CD Suncatcher

Need a break from your studies? Try a mandala CD suncatcher "take and make" craft kit. All you need are permanent markers. Kits can be picked up on Wednesday, October 6!



YA Book Corner Review by Anna Martin

The book *Words in Deep Blue* by Cath Crowley switches between the perspectives of two different characters, Rachel and Henry. They were best friends before high school, but Rachel's family had to move away. Before she left, she hid a love letter to Henry in the letter library at his family's second-hand bookstore. After Rachel never received an answer, she assumed the friendship was over. After the sudden death of her brother, Rachel moved back to the city and got a job at the bookstore owned by Henry's family. The story follows the two of them trying to mend their relationship while passing letters to each other through the second-hand books in the letter library. I really enjoyed this book. It was refreshing because the story was a great blend of both grief and hope. The book accurately described some of what it is like to be a teenager. Aspects of the plot were very educational. It covered topics such as loss and loneliness. Also, *Words in Deep Blue* discussed the process of deciding whether to attend college and the financial difficulties of owning your own business. I recommend this book to anyone looking for a heartwarming story.



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 be sure to add the Mobile App to your phone for up-to-date reminders. The library webpage is <https://www.hopedale-ma.gov/bancroft-memorial-library>.





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Friends of the Hopedale Library

The Friends of the Hopedale Library are pleased to present **Ghosts & Legends** with Bellingham native Jeff Belanger Wednesday, October 20th at 6:30 pm in the downstairs program room. Registration is required. To sign up please call 508-634-2209 or stop in to register. **This program is supported in part by a grant from the Hopedale Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency.**



Drawing from dozens of stories, **Ghost & Legends** changes every time it's given. For over 20 years, Jeff Belanger has been exploring the unexplained. He seeks out history, folklore, ghosts, monsters, and legends worldwide and in your backyard. His talk presents highlights from his own adventures, a look at the investigation process, and compelling audio and visual paranormal evidence. Not just focused on ghost stories, Belanger's presentation will delve into the reasons behind the legends.

Bellingham resident Jeff Belanger knows all about things that go bump in the night. He is the author of a dozen books on the paranormal (published in six languages), including the best sellers *The World's Most Haunted Places*, *Our Haunted Lives*, *Who's Haunting the White House* (for children), and *Picture Yourself Legend Tripping*. He's the founder of *Ghostvillage.com*, the Web's most popular paranormal destination according to *Google.com*, and a noted speaker and media personality. He's also the host of the Cable/Web talk show *30 Odd Minutes*, which is available in over 3 million homes in the United States. Mr. Belanger has written for *The Boston Globe* and is the series writer and researcher for *Ghost Adventures* on the Travel Channel. He's been a guest on more than 200 radio and television programs including *The History Channel*, *The Travel Channel*, *PBS*, *NECN*, *Living TV (UK)*, *The Maury Show*, *The CBS News Early Show*, *FOX*, *NBC*, *ABC*, and *CBS affiliates*, *National Public Radio*, *The BBC*, *Australian Radio Network*, and *Coast to Coast AM*.

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 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

Check It Out!



It's time for **Check It Out!** at the Bancroft Memorial Library! The K-3 classroom with the most points will win a program at the Library in November. Students must visit the Library between October 4 and 30, check out an item, and tell us your grade and teacher. Each visit with a checkout = 1 class point. Come everyday if you like! This wonderful program is sponsored by The Friends of the Hopedale Library and Memorial Elementary School.

October Story Hours with Mrs. Kraimer

Story hours continue into the month of October! Registration is required. Please call Mrs. Kraimer at (508)634-2209 to register.

Book Fun, for children ages 4+, will be held on Tuesday afternoons from 3:30 to 4:15 pm. This program will feature stories and crafts.

Tell Me A Story, for children ages 2-4, will be held on Thursday mornings from 11:00 to 11:45 am. This program will feature music, fingerplays, and puppets.

Movie Matinees



Join us for some out-of-this-world movies this October! Space is limited and registration is required. Please call Mrs. Kraimer at (508)634-2209 to save your seat! *Mars Needs Moms* will be shown on October 13 at 3:30pm (Ages 6+) and *Aliens in the Attic* will be shown on October 20 at 3:30pm (Ages 7+).

Pumpkin Days!

We are so excited! We're going to have a special guest at our celebration. DJ Mike has agreed to bring his music, lights, and fun to the Library on October 18 at 6:30pm! Start planning your costume! This program is for ages 6+. Registration is required. Please call Mrs. Kraimer at (508)634-2209 to register. Wrapped refreshment donations are welcomed and appreciated.

Halloween Fun with Kathy Earabino

Join Kathy Earabino for some Halloween fun with music and refreshments on October 27 at 6pm. Make sure to wear your costume and face mask! This program is for ages 2.5 to 5. Space is limited and registration is required. Please call Mrs. Kraimer at (508)634-2209 to register. Wrapped refreshment donations are welcomed and appreciated.

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 be sure to add the Mobile App to your phone for up-to-date reminders. The library webpage is <https://www.hopedale-ma.gov/bancroft-memorial-library>.