Meet Jane Park  Our New Reference Librarian

The Pembroke Public Library is pleased to present our new reference librarian, Jane Park. A newcomer to the area, Jane has eagerly embraced the various responsibilities of her new position and is delighted to be working here in Pembroke.

Jane is a graduate of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where she earned a Bachelor’s degree in English and a Master’s in Library and Information Sciences. She spent a gap year working in South Korea, her birthplace, as an ESL teacher and a TOFEL tutor for college students and adults. The stint gave her the opportunity to become acquainted with her maternal relatives, and to make a decision regarding her career path. Fond memories of childhood visits to her hometown library in the suburban Chicago area, coupled with a desire to help people and engage in continued learning, contributed to her decision to pursue an advanced degree in Library Science.

Jane’s first library experience was at a VA hospital in Chicago, a research-based position on a small staff where she enjoyed the opportunity to get to know the regular patrons as a Medical Librarian. When her husband of two years was relocated to Boston, Jane found a post in Attleboro and “fell in love” with public libraries, precipitating her transition to Pembroke. She and her husband now live in Quincy with their puppy named Charlie. Jane is impressed with the cultural and culinary diversity of the city of Quincy. Believe it or not, Jane is even thrilled with our New England winters, which are more temperate than those in the windy city! The climate and beauty of this area have inspired in her an adventurous spirit, prompting her to explore the outdoors through hiking and biking. In more sedentary times, Jane is a fan of the popular television shows Breaking Bad, The Walking Dead, and Game of Thrones. She is a huge fan of Haruki Murakami, and highly recommends his newest book, Colorless Tsukuru Tazaki and His Years of Pilgrimage. Her favorite book in recent memory is The Good Girl by Mary Kubica. Readers of Gone Girl, Jane suggests, might enjoy this suspenseful book even more.

Here at the library, Jane feels “blessed to have found a family environment,” where her friendly coworkers are “willing to go above and beyond” to serve the public. In Jane’s position as reference librarian she is available to help patrons with a broad array of needs, including readers’ advisory, technology training, research, and programming. Through the Baby Boomer Grant Jane will be conducting introductory computer classes. Patrons are welcome to walk in or call ahead for an appointment for one-on-one assistance, or to sign up for adult classes. Email questions for Jane to jpark@sailsinc.org, or call the library at 781 293-6771 and ask for extension 16. To find out what classes are being offered, follow the Pembroke Public Library on Twitter, or like our Facebook page for daily updates and recommendations.
Never Too Old: YA for Adults Book Club

A new Book Club is starting at the Pembroke Public Library! Led by our new Reference Librarian, Jane Park, the first book to be read will be *If I Stay* by Gayle Forman. The first meeting is scheduled for the third Thursday in January, the 15th, from 6:30 - 7:30pm. No registration is required. All walk-ins are welcome. For more information about the Book Club call the library at 781-293-6771, or email Jane at jpark@sailsinc.org.

The Friends of the Pembroke Public Library present

The Return of TRIVIA BOWL

Trivia Teams compete for a prize and trophy!

February 21, 2015
Knights of Columbus, Pembroke, MA

Reservations are now being accepted at the Library

Coming Soon...
our 2015 Town Read selection-
Join In!
Jump into the New Year with the Library and try something new. We have plenty of books, events, games and more to help make 2015 a great year for your family.

**Ongoing Events**

Ages 2-5 are invited to **Storytimes** on Mondays and/or Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. Each week brings a new theme with songs, rhymes, movements, and books followed by a craft and open playtime. Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. are **Baby Lapsits** for ages 6-24 months. Lapsits feature songs, movements, and more you can do with your little one, followed by open playtime.

Reading isn’t “ruff” with a pal. **Puppy Dog Tales** is an event that gives developing readers of all ages a chance to read to one or more certified therapy dogs to develop their literacy skills, as well as build confidence and self-esteem. This program provides a supportive environment to practice reading aloud and some literacy games for group play. Dates will be January 8th and February 12th from 4:15-5:15pm in the Meeting Room.

Build your skills with friends at **LEGO Club**. Participants have the opportunity to build LEGO creations to a monthly theme; creations will then be displayed in the Library. LEGOs will be provided; just bring your imagination. Dates will be January 13th and February 10th at 4:00pm in the Craft Room.

Whether you are writing an epic novel or just want to improve your diary entries, young patrons can join our **Young Writer’ Club** meeting every fourth Tuesday at 4:00pm. Grades 4 and up are invited to create and express themselves in writing. Write from prompts or your imagination, in groups or solo, about real life or fantasy kingdoms! Upcoming dates are January 27th and February 24th.

**Special Events**

Celebrate your love of **Frozen** by visiting with Princess Anna on January 14th from 4:00-5:30pm. Young attendees can enjoy a Frozen storytime, play a marshmallow knock-down game, have a sing-along, and take pictures with Anna. Please sign up at the Children’s desk.

**Accio** great reads here at the Library! Harry Potter continues to enchant generations of readers and, to honor this, the first ever Official **Harry Potter Book Night** is being held on February 5th. The Pembroke Public Library will take part in the celebration! Look for details about this magical evening in the coming weeks.

Pick up a copy of our Monthly Calendar in the Children’s Room or check the Calendar of events online at www.pembrokepubliclibrary.org.

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**Selected New Titles in the Children’s Room**

**Children’s Fiction**

- Big Nate’s Greatest Hits - Peirce, L.
- Dash - Larson, Kirby
- The Haunted Museum #3: The Pearl Earring - Weyn, S.
- The map to everywhere - Ryan, Carrie
- Seekers: Return to the Wild #5 The Burning Horizon - Hunter, E.

**Children’s Nonfiction**

- My weird writing tips - Gutman, Dan
- Parrots over Puerto Rico - Roth, Susan L.
- What Was the Hindenburg? - Pascal, Janet

**Children’s Biography**

- Who Is Stan Lee? - Edgers, Geoff

**Children’s Easy Reader**

- Batman Classic: Winter Wasteland - Lemke, Donald
- Hello, Olaf! - Posner-Sanchez, Andrea
- Ladybug Girl. Do you like these boots? - Soman, David
- Princesses and Puppies - Weinberg, Jennifer

**Children’s Chapter Book**

- The school is alive! - Chabert, Jack
- Kung Pow Chicken #1: Let’s Get Cracking - Marko, Cyndi
- Dory Fantasmagory - Hanlon, Abby
- Anna & Elsa #1: All Hail the Queen - David, Erica

**Children’s Picture Book**

- At the same moment, around the world - Perrin, Clotilde
- The lion and the bird - Dubuc, Marianne

**Children’s Board Books**

- Goodnight, dragons - Roth, Judith L.
- Many Mice of Mr. Brice - Dr. Seuss
- Sofia the First: Sofia’s Cup of Tea - Disney

**Children’s GN**

- Lowrider’s in Space, Book 1
- Pokémon’s Adventure’s Volume 23

**Children’s DVD**

- The Boxtrolls - Stacchi, Anthony
Teen News

More Teen and Young Adult programming is making its way to PPL on feet faster than Percy Jackson wearing winged shoes. See something you like? Give it a try!

TAG, our Teen Advisory Group, has many enthusiastic and creative members working towards improving our Library and its young adult programming. Meetings are held once a month. Look forward to many more changes coming from this great team!

Do you have a hidden (or not-so-hidden) talent? Would you like a chance to show it off and enjoy cookies and hot chocolate or coffee at the same time? The Library is hosting our first ever Creative Coffee House on January 29th from 5:00-6:30pm. Local teens and young adults (ages 12-18) are encouraged to present or perform any creative work, original or well-known, in any format including music (a capella or instrumental), Poetry Out Loud, short skits, Reader’s Theatre, and more!

And in Other News…

Volunteers Wanted

Need to earn Community Service hours for school? Interested in gaining experience? Just love spending time at the library? Sign up to be a library volunteer at the Children’s Room desk. Whatever your skill, we can find something for you to contribute to the library and make this a great place for all.

Teen Tech Squad

The Library is seeking teens to reform our Teen Tech Squad. This group would help patrons around the Library in the evenings with various technology issues and questions from smart phones, tablets, and computers to apps, Twitter, and Microsoft and more! You would get a chance to help many people learn and explore 21st century tech. Please ask a Library Staff member for more information about how you can participate and become a Tech Ninja. Currently, volunteers are needed on Wednesday evenings.

Selected New Young Adult Titles

Young Adult Music
X - Sheeran, Ed
Sucker - Charli XCX
Party tyme karaoke - Super hits 21
Nick Jonas - Jonas, Nick

Young Adult Fiction
All the Bright Places - Niven, Jennifer
Let it snow: three holiday romances - Green, John
This Shattered World: A Starbound Novel - Kaufman, A.
Winterspell - Legrand, Claire

Young Adult Nonfiction
Frida & Diego: art, love, life - Reef, Catherine
The Untold History of the United States, Volume 1: Young Readers Edition - Stone, Oliver

Museum Passes

Find us on Facebook, Twitter and Pinterest!
Meet Our Magazines:

Although the weather outside is frightful, staying indoors can be delightful if you have a hobby to engage your hands and mind. This is the time to dedicate yourself to learning a new skill, reviving an erstwhile interest, or finishing a neglected project. The Pembroke Public Library has a bevy of specialized periodicals to inspire and inform the hobbyist in all of us.

An obvious pastime on a cold evening would be putting yarn to needle for knitting or crocheting, both of which bring the added benefit of covering your lap with a warm and expanding sweater, afghan, scarf, or the like. For patterns, techniques, and ideas, turn to Creative Knitting, Crochet Today, or Knit ‘N Style. Looking for a more voluminous undertaking? Quilter and Sew News have you covered.

If stitchery does not appeal to you, consider a foray into the world of wood. Fine Woodworking and Family Handyman will motivate you to create or renovate with confidence. Old House Journal is full of design ideas and restoration projects, many of which can be accomplished indoors during the cold winter months. Quick home improvement and craft projects may also be found throughout the pages of Real Simple, Good Housekeeping, and Martha Stewart Living.

The magazine collection here at the library will expand your craft horizons in surprising ways. Did you know we subscribe to Step By Step Wire Jewelry? The periodical Make: brings the makerspace concept into the home with explorations in engineering and technology to engage the whole family. For more family fun or a chance to revisit your childhood, pick up Brick Journal, the magazine dedicated to the art and activity of LEGO building. Outdoor enthusiasts will find tips on fishing and hunting in Field & Stream, or equestrian escapades in Trail Rider. Prefer a more passive hobby? Sky & Telescope can open up a universe of adventures in observation. So come check out the variety of magazines here at the Pembroke Public Library and unleash your creativity!

The Pembroke Public Library Foundation is seeking board members.

Would you like to promote the library and assist in fundraising to support future programs? The Pembroke Public Library Foundation is in a revitalization stage and is accepting new members. Please consider volunteering to help expand the foundation. There are only a few meetings a year for the board and there is a long wish list including a writer-in-residence program, music instruction, and much more. Please contact the Library Director for more information, 781-293-6771 or dwall@sailsinc.org.
Upcoming Exhibits in the meeting room

The series of historic Pembroke watercolors by Pembroke artist Becky Haletky will be on display in the Library meeting room through the month of January. These fifteen paintings, which are usually hanging in the Selectmen’s Office in the Town Hall, are on special loan to the Library for this display.

The Pembroke Cultural Council has contracted with Ms. Haletky over the past twelve years to produce this series of watercolors of favorite buildings and life events of Pembroke. The Council has had prints made of the Pembroke Tree Lighting recently, and they are now available along with prints of twelve of the other paintings. Anyone interested in purchasing a print may do so at the Pembroke Public Library. The prints cost $40 each and all proceeds will be used for future grants by the Cultural Council.

The Pembroke Science Fair is offering a very colorful ornament of a scene in Tubbs Meadow for its 2014 Holiday ornament. This ornament is available for $15 at the Library along with a number from previous years.

Out-of-town visitors, please call to confirm the meeting room availability for viewing these wonderful exhibits. If you would like to request art exhibit space, contact the Library Director Deborah Wall at (781) 293-6771.

Great books are available at the Friends’ ongoing book sale kiosk at the front of the library.
All children’s books are $.50, all videos are $1.00, hardbacks are $1.00 and most paperbacks are $.50.

Upcoming Workshops

Are you new to the wonderful world of Android?

Join us for an introduction to Android. There are many flavors on many different devices, but they all have things in common. Come discover some of the best features and apps to have fun and be productive. Tuesday, January 13th at 7 PM.

Get started on your iPad with the basics!

Come and learn about all that the iPad offers, including its’ features and apps. Let’s talk about Siri, Calendar, Safari, Customization, and more! Tuesday, February 24th at 7 PM.

Both workshops are drop-in, no registration. You may bring your device with you, but it is not necessary.

Stay tuned for more workshops coming on Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, photography and more.

Pembroke Public Library Mission Statement

The Pembroke Public Library provides residents of all ages the means to learn throughout their lives; to pursue recreational reading interests; and a place to meet and participate in community discussions.
Did You Know........
that you can reserve passes for the Institute of Contemporary Art from the library?

The ICA strives to share the pleasures of reflection, inspiration, provocation, and imagination that contemporary art offers through public access to art, artists, and the creative process.

The pass admits: 2 People for $5 per person. Free for children under age 17
For more information, visit: http://www.icaboston.org/

The annual cost for this pass is $185, which is proudly sponsored by the Friends of the Pembroke Library.

Stretch & Breathe Deeply –
Yoga classes relieve tension

The Library offers a weekly class of Kripalu Yoga on Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m. Taught by instructors from The Yoga Connection in Plymouth, a session of 4 classes costs $45, or $35 for members of the Friends of Pembroke Library. There is also an 8-class punch card for $80 with a 3-month expiration. Drop-ins are welcome at $12 per class. Beginners are always welcome, but no pregnant women please. The instructors tailor each exercise to meet the needs of the students in the class, from beginner to experienced.

Get it while you can!

Copies of our beautiful limited edition Pembroke History book are still available at the Library for $50.

The Pembroke Science Fair is offering a very colorful ornament of a scene in Tubbs Meadow for its 2014 Holiday ornament.
Selected New Adult Titles

**Adult Fiction**
- As close as sisters - Faulkner, Colleen
- Descent - Johnston, Tim
- Hush - Robards, Karen
- The Martini Shot: A Novella and Stories - Pelecanos, George
- See How Small - Blackwood, Scott

**Adult Nonfiction**
- GoPro: A Professional Guide to Filmmaking
- The Handmade Marketplace: How to Sell Your Crafts Locally, Globally and Online
- Stanley Cup: 120 Years of Hockey Supremacy
- A Women’s Way through the Twelve Steps

**Biographies**
- Yesterday, today, tomorrow: my life - Loren, Sophia
- Living Like a Runaway: A memoir - Lita Ford

**New Music**
- Wallflower - Krall, Diana

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**Calling All Chess Players!**

Whether you want to learn the game or are already an expert, this club is a great opportunity for players of all levels to come together to play and enjoy the game. The club meetings are held on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the meeting room.

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**Did You Know………**

that you can reserve passes for the Museum of Science from the library?

The Museum of Science, Boston is one of the world’s largest science centers and Boston’s most attended cultural institution. The Museum attracts approximately 1.5 million visitors a year through its vibrant programs and 700 interactive exhibits.

The pass admits: 4 People to exhibit halls for $10 per person. Free for children ages 2 and under.

For more information, visit: [www.mos.org](http://www.mos.org)

*The annual cost for this pass is $600, which is proudly sponsored by the Friends of the Pembroke Library.*
Thank you to our Friends and Supporters

Thank you to all who donated, volunteered, and participated in the 14th Annual Gift Baskets Raffle. We hope to continue this great fundraiser for the library in 2015.

Membership Drive 2015

The annual membership is just one portion of our yearly fundraising campaigns, but an important one. The Friends of the Pembroke Library (“Friends”) want to thank our members for their continued support and continued renewal of their memberships.

Our goals this year are to increase membership of individuals, families and corporate sponsors, and to raise awareness of how the Friends support the Pembroke Public Library.

New residents to Pembroke now receive a welcome letter from the Friends and an invitation to join our group.

A part of the Pembroke Public Library’s mission statement is to “empower people to find and evaluate information and remain current with the new technology.” Our 2011 grant of $10,000 enabled the library to purchase laptop computers, tablets and eReaders for a Technology Lab. In 2013, The Friends donated the AWE workstation for the Children’s room of the library. The Friends hope to continue to support this important part of the library’s mission with continued enhancements to the library’s technology.

Did you know that Friends, along with a grant from the Pembroke Cultural Council, contribute $4000 a year to provide discounted museum and cultural passes available through the library? Even as the cost of these passes have increased every year, the Friends have been able to continue to provide funding. Increased membership and fundraising support will allow us to continue to provide these much-used passes, and also allow us to purchase additional ones that are often requested by patrons.

THE RETURN OF TRIVIA BOWL

Save the date! Form your teams now for the return of Trivia Bowl!

Mark your calendars now for Trivia Bowl IV, February 21, 2015, a night of trivia to raise money for the Pembroke Public Library. This year’s bowl coincides with Oscar Weekend, so we will be rolling out the red carpet for our guests. Pembroke Library’s own Deborah Wall will MC and host the evening. The questions will be various categories, not just sports or movies, so brush up on your knowledge of general trivia. Teams of up to ten people will compete for the honor of winning the 4th Annual Friends’ Trivia Bowl and a cash prize.

Get your group together or just come as an individual or a couple and we will place you at a table - a great way to meet new people! A table for 8 to 10 players is $150 or you can purchase individual seats for $20. Teams are encouraged to decorate their tables in a literary theme or otherwise. A prize will be awarded for the best decorated table and decorated players. You can sign up for your table/seat at the Pembroke Public Library beginning in January. Contestants/teams may bring their own snacks and goodies. Drinks will be available at the K of C. The Friends will provide desserts and coffee.

The Friends of the Pembroke Library support the Pembroke Public Library’s summer reading program, museum passes, Pembroke only best-sellers, music programs, and collection updates.
The Friends of Pembroke Library’s January 2015 book selection is *Wild: from Lost to Found on the Pacific Coast Trail* by Cheryl Strayed. A powerful, blazingly honest, inspiring memoir: the story of a 1,100 mile solo hike that broke down a young woman reeling from catastrophe—and built her back up again.

Join us for our book group discussion on January 6th at 7 p.m. in the Trustees’ Room. The group welcomes all readers, whether you’ve finished the book or not. We also love to hear about favorite books and suggestions for future book discussions.

**For more information about upcoming dates and book discussion choices, go to [www.pembrokepubliclibrary.org](http://www.pembrokepubliclibrary.org).**

Please help us to continue this important mission by renewing or becoming a member of the Friends of the Pembroke Library during our 2015 membership drive. **Please note that in the interest of saving postage and paper, the Friends will not mail out renewal notices.** If you are already a member, please use the form found in this newsletter to renew your membership. We will also send out renewal notices to members who are on our email list.

New membership forms can also be found on the library’s website, [www.pembrokepubliclibrary.org](http://www.pembrokepubliclibrary.org) or at the library. An individual membership is only $10, and a family membership is $20. For $50, a business can provide a year-long sponsorship.

The Friends of the Pembroke Library is a registered 501c3 organization, so your donations are tax deductible.

### Friends of the Pembroke Library Membership Form 2015

Membership Year Jan 2015 - Dec 2015

Check one: □ New □ Renewal

**Type of Membership:** □ Individual $10  □ Family $20  □ Business Sponsor $50  □ Special Donation_________

Please make checks payable to the Friends of the Pembroke Library.

You can drop the form off at the library or mail to 142 Center Street, Pembroke, MA 02359

Name:___________________________________________________________

Address:_______________________________________________________

City, State, Zip:_________________________________________________

Phone Number:_______________________  E-Mail:_____________________