Welcome Stephanie!

The staff of the Pembroke Public Library is pleased to welcome our new reference librarian, Stephanie McBain. Stephanie recently graduated from Simmons College, where she completed both her undergraduate and graduate studies. Before joining us she worked in Records Management at UMass Boston, and also as the Archives Assistant for the town of Hingham, a post she will hold through next summer. In addition to her work in Hingham and here in Pembroke, Stephanie also serves as reference and children’s assistant at the Ames Free Library on weekends. Clearly she is a hard-working young lady!

Stephanie grew up right around the corner in Norwell. She has four sisters, one brother, a nephew, and two nieces. She recalls visiting the library every week as a child. “I would come home with a giant stack of books taller than me!”

As an undergrad Stephanie double-majored in English and French, when she realized that a library career would be an even better fit for her than education. Happily, at Simmons she was perfectly positioned to pursue a graduate degree in Library Science. Stephanie has always felt at home in libraries, and says everyone who knows her agrees that this line of work is what she was meant to do. Reading is her favorite pastime, of course. She also enjoys baking, singing, and playing with her 8-year old English Springer Spaniel, Keon. Some of Stephanie’s all-time favorite books are the Harry Potter series and the novels of Jane Austin and Jodi Picoult. She also enjoys watching television, particularly Friends and Lost, and more recently Brooklyn Nine-Nine and The Amazing Race.

Stephanie is pleased to have found her niche at the Pembroke Public Library. Her favorite part of the job is developing ideas to bring more people into the library and getting them more involved. To this end she is already conducting programs and discussion groups. She is also eager to organize and explore the local history room. “I have always wanted to work with people,” Stephanie says, and her new job affords lots of opportunities to do just that. Stop by to meet her midday on Mondays, or evenings Tuesday through Thursday. If you have any program ideas or reference requests, Stephanie can be contacted via email at smcbain@sailsinc.org.

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Get More From Your Pembroke Library Card

at the Pembroke Public Library

Pembroke Public Library has become an Overdrive Advantage member! This gives Pembroke card holders access to more titles on Overdrive. Popular titles such as *After You* by Jojo Moyes, *The Girl on the Train* by Paula Hawkins, and Pulitzer Prize winner *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr have a copy through Overdrive Advantage available to Pembroke patrons only. This means less time to wait for the books you want to read.

Log in to Overdrive with your Pembroke Library card, and look for the Overdrive Advantage symbol indicating that there is a copy of that title exclusively purchased by the Pembroke Public Library available for Pembroke patrons only. *You must be logged in with your Pembroke card to see Pembroke's titles. You get more with your Pembroke Library card!*

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**Chess Club for All Ages**

The Chess Club meets each Friday from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the large meeting room. Join Chessmaster Matthew Petillo whether you have been playing for years or are just starting!
Pembroke Public Library

Adult (18+) Craft Night
Paper Heart Ornaments

Get in the Valentine’s Day spirit by making some creative and unique paper heart ornaments! Supplies will be provided. Please pre-register at the Library or by calling us at 781-293-6771.

Tuesday, February 9th, 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Pembroke Public Library Meeting Room
142 Center St. Pembroke

Pembroke Public Library
Clicking Needles Knitting and Crochet Group
Last Tuesday of every month

First meeting Tuesday, January 26th at 6:30 p.m.
All teens and adults of all skill levels are welcome!

Pembroke Public Library 142 Center St. Pembroke, MA
Upcoming Adult Events ~ Learn, create, and engage at PPL

Tuesday, January 5th at 7 p.m. Book Discussion with the Pembroke Public Library Book Club
Elizabeth Is Missing by Emma Healey, a riveting psychological suspense novel featuring two mysteries and flashbacks to post-WWII England.

Thursday, January 7th at 6:30 p.m. Bring Back the Joy of Coloring
Adults of all ages can rediscover the fun and excitement of this activity. A great stress reliever!

Thursday, January 14th at 6:30 p.m. Adult Craft Night: Wine Charms
Learn how to make fun and colorful charms to give your wine glasses a unique character at this free adult craft workshop. Open to ages 21+. Please pre-register.

Thursday, January 21st at 5:30 p.m. Documentary and Discussion
Join us for a free screening of The Genius of Marian, a documentary film by Banker White and Anna Fitch detailing one woman’s descent into Alzheimer’s and her family’s struggle to come to terms with the disease. This event is a collaboration with the award-winning documentary series POV (www.pbs.org/pov).

Tuesday, January 26th at 6:30 p.m. Clicking Needles Knitting & Crochet Group
Come knit and crochet together at the Library – ask questions, share ideas and tips, and learn new tricks. Teens and adults of all ages and skill levels are welcome!

Tuesday, February 2nd at 7 p.m. Book Discussion with the Pembroke Public Library Book Club
The Language of Flowers by Vanessa Diffenbaugh, a bestselling novel about a troubled young woman with the remarkable ability to help other people using flowers.

Thursday, February 4th at 6:30 p.m. Bring Back the Joy of Coloring
Adults of all ages can rediscover the fun and excitement of this activity. A great stress reliever!

Tuesday, February 9th at 6:30 p.m. Adult Craft Night: Paper Heart Ornaments
Get in the Valentine’s Day spirit by making some paper heart ornaments in this free adult craft workshop. Please pre-register.

Thursday, February 18th at 5:30 p.m. Documentary and Discussion
Join us for a free screening of Brooklyn Castle, a documentary film by Katie Dellamaggiore that delves into the world of the young chess prodigies at a powerhouse junior high school in Brooklyn. This event is a collaboration with the award-winning documentary series POV (www.pbs.org/pov).

Tuesday, February 23rd at 6:30 p.m. Clicking Needles Knitting & Crochet Group
Come knit and crochet together at the Library – ask questions, share ideas and tips, and learn new tricks. Teens and adults of all ages and skill levels are welcome!
Babies, Kids, and T(w)eens News

Cuddle up with a good book from the Library or warm up at a program!

Babies and Toddlers

Storytimes offer your baby or toddler the chance to develop important skills as well as a great giggle! 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, books, and a craft. 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.

Pop-Up Playtime will occur in lieu of Storytimes and Lapsits on the following dates: February 15th – 17th. Children will have the opportunity to learn and grow through play with a special pop-up tent and crawl tunnel, and have access to toys including building blocks, puppets, and more.

After-School Clubs

Chess Club for all ages with Chessmaster Matthew Petillo continues. Whether you have been playing for years, have just started playing, or have no idea how to play but think it would be fun, you’re welcome to join us! The Club will meet every Fridays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the meeting room.

Grades K – 5 are welcome to come and build with the library LEGOs every month in LEGO Club! LEGO Club is designed to give kids a safe, creative environment in which they can freely build, interact with peers, and express themselves! Each month has a theme which the participants can follow, but we encourage thinking out of the box. Upcoming dates: January 12th and February 9th from 4:00-5:00pm in the Craft Room.

Our four-legged, furry friends will visit on second Thursdays for the New Year at Puppy Dog Tales. Readers of all ages may read to one or more 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. Upcoming dates: January 14th & February 11th from 4:15-5:00pm in the Meeting Room.

And in Other News...

Special Events

Visit your Library this winter and earn some sweet treats! Ages 3 – 18 can join the Winter Library Cookie Club by visiting the Children’s Room and getting their own official Club Card. Every time you visit the Library and check out materials between January 4th and February 29th with your Club Card, you earn a stamp; after 5 stamps, you get a winter cookie prize or treat. Participation is free!

Join Hula Hoop Instructor Kat Suwalski to learn basic hooping moves while increasing hand-eye coordination, strength, balance, and agility in Wild Hula Hooping. Hooping helps your child through joy-inducing movement explorations designed to promote healthy bodies and minds. Explore the hoop through laughter and fun! Open to ages 7+. Wednesday, January 20th from 4:00-5:00pm; sign-ups required (beginning January 13th).

Keep your mind active this winter with Colorful Crafts. Grades 3-7 may sign up to create crafts from fusion beads and origami paper (or both!). Supplies and tutorials available; creativity is encouraged. The event will be on Tuesday, January 26th at 4:00pm; this is a drop-in event (no registration required).

Vroom! Beep! Beep! The snow outside won’t stop this Drive-In Movie at the Library, a special craft and entertainment event by the Pembroke High School National Honor Society. Ages 5+ are invited to build their own car from boxes, paper, glue, and other recycled materials. After your auto is ready, sit and enjoy a movie and popcorn. Event will be Wednesday, January 27th at 1:30pm; pre-registration required.

Have you ever had the Most Magnificent Idea? Young thinkers with in grades 1-5 with Magnificent ideas, thoughts, or notions are welcome to attend Magnificent Marshmallows. There will be a reading of The Most Magnificent Thing by Ashley Spires followed by marshmallow building challenges. Event will be Wednesday, February 17th at 4:00pm; registration begins Wednesday, February 10th.

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Join the South Shore Natural Science Center in a STEM event, "The Shipwrecks of Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary." We’ll explore the shipwreck, dive for facts, play the sonar matching game and more! Event will be held at the library on Thursday, February 25th from 4:00-5:30pm. Tickets available starting Thursday, February 18th.

**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.

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**Upcoming Exhibits in the meeting room**

**January 2016**

**Edward Kearney**

Come in and view Edward’s exhibit which includes paintings of sailboats and whales as well as Dutch children. Edward has created these pieces over the past two years and has chosen to share this exhibit with us for the month of January.

**February 2016**

**Joe Kennedy**

**Bodie Ghost Town - State of Arrested Decay**

Bodie is an original mining town from the late 1800’s. What’s left today stands in a state of “arrested decay” which means the buildings are protected but not restored. The “town” is maintained by the California State Parks System. Old Main Street in Bodie was said to be nearly one mile long with traffic that was continuous and enlivening!

The streets are quiet now.

Bodie still has its wicked climate, but with the possible exception of an occasional ghostly visitor, its badmen are all in their graves. Only about five percent of the buildings it contained during its 1880s heyday still remain. Today, it stands just as time, fire and the elements have left it -- a genuine California gold-mining ghost town. Designated a state historic park in 1962, it is now maintained in a state of “arrested decay.”

Visit the Pembroke Public Library meeting room to view this photographic exhibit in February.

*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.*

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**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.
The Pembroke Reading Club was established in December 1874 to share and spread the enjoyment of reading among residents of the town. The club was created after the dissolution of the Female Reading Society; unlike its predecessor, the Reading Club included both men and women as members. Meetings were typically held once a week at different members’ homes, usually with between 10 and 25 people present. Meetings began with discussion and voting relative to club business, including the acceptance of new members. This was followed by readings, speeches, and songs performed by members; those who had been assigned to read and failed to do so had to pay a fine of five dollars. Authors the club read frequently included Shakespeare, Tennyson, and Longfellow. In addition to its weekly meetings, the club also held annual parties and picnics. It also had its own librarian; Mrs. Collins was elected unanimously to this position in November 1877, but was replaced by Miss Oldham in 1879 so that the books would be “more accessible to the majority of the club.” (The ledger rarely lists first names. “Miss Oldham” was either Mary or Abbie; these sisters were both longtime club members.)

The club was very active in the town’s plans to establish a free public library, which is unsurprising given its goal of promoting reading in the town. Many members served on the Free Library Association and donated money and books. The club also held a fundraising ball in March 1878. The library opened later that year in a room on the Burton homestead.

The two Reading Club ledgers contain handwritten meeting minutes from 1876 through 1887. Entries from September 1879 through April 1881 also include discussion questions. Entries stop after December 1887 with no explanation. It’s possible that the club disbanded at that time; interest seems to have dwindled in the mid-1880s, as evidenced by less frequent meetings and decreased attendance.
Pembroke Public Library Book Club
Tuesday, February 2, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
142 Center Street Pembroke, MA 02359

All book lovers are welcome!

The Language of Flowers
February’s Book Club Selection
Calling all book lovers!

“Enchanting, ennobling, and powerfully engaging”
-Booklist

Leaving Time
A sneak peek at the March Selection!
The Genius of Marian
Documentary
and
Discussion for January

Brooklyn Castle
Documentary
and
Discussion for February

For more information call the Library at 781-293-6771.
New Titles in the Children’s Room

Children’s Picture Book
Buddy and Earl - Fergus, Maureen
Brownie & Pearl go for a spin - Rylant, Cynthia
The story of Babar, the little elephant - Brunhoff, Jean de
Kézél, the cat who composed - Newman, Lesléa
Little white fish has a party - Genechten, Guido van

Children’s Easy Reader
AT-AT attack! - Glass, Calliope

Children’s Chapter Book
All Paws on Deck - Young, Jessica
Recess Is a Jungle! (Eerie Eлементary # 3) - Chabert, Jack
Sweet Buttercup: A Branches Book (Silver Pony Ranch # 2) - Green, D.L.

Children’s Fiction
My Little Pony: A Canterlot Wedding - Grabenstein, Chris
Mr. Lemoncello’s Library Olympics - Grabenstein, Chris
The Night Parade - Tanquary, Kathryn

Children’s Nonfiction
Scary stories to tell in the dark : collected from folklore - Schwartz, Alvin
Your fantastic elastic brain : stretch it, shape it - Deak, JoAnn M.
I love that minifigure - Newquist, H.P

Children’s GN
Batman’s Dark Secret - Puckett, Kelley
Adventure time V.1-7 – North, R.

Children’s Books on CD
We’ve got a job - Levinson, Cynthia
Crenshaw - Applegate, K.
The Odds of Getting Even - Turnage, Sheila
Fast Break - Lupica, Mike
Last in a Long Line of Rebels - Tyre, Lisa

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, standard paperbacks are $.50, and trade size paperbacks are $1.00.

Get it while you can!
Copies of our beautiful limited edition Pembroke history book are still available at the Library for $50.

Find us on Facebook, Twitter and Pinterest!
New Music

Jazz
That Would Be Me - Harry Connick Jr.

Country
35 MPH Town - Keith, Toby

Pop
25 - Adele

New Age
Dark Sky Island - Enya

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 YogaConnection in Plymouth, a session of 4 classes costs $45 for non-members of the Friends.

A membership in the Friends of the Pembroke Public Library will offer you the discounted rate of $35 for a session of 4 classes or you are able to purchase an 8-class punch card for $80 with a 3-month expiration. Cost of membership is $10 per year.

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.
New Titles for Adults

Adult Fiction
All the birds, singing - Wyld, Evie
Blackout - Rosenfelt, David
The Divine Circle of Ladies Burning Their Bridges - Riccio, Dolores
Empire: The Chronicles of the Invaders – Connolly, John

Adult Nonfiction
A Brief History of Creation: Science and the Search for the Origin of Life - Mesler, Bill
Spark Joy: An Illustrated Master Class of the Art of Organizing and Tidying Up - Kondo, Marie

Biographies
Living Like a Runaway - Jett, Joan

Adult Books on CDs
The Outlandish Companion V. 2 - Gabaldon, Diana
The woman who walked in sunshine - McCall Smith, Alexander
Commander in chief - Greaney, Mark

Selected New Young Adult Titles

Young Adult Fiction
The Mystery of Hollow Places - Podos, Rebecca
The Possibility of Now - Culbertson, Kim
The Siren – Cass, Kiera
Teen Frankenstein: High School Horror - Baker, Chandler

Young Adult Nonfiction
The Borden Murders: Lizzie Borden and the Trial of the Century - Miller, Sarah Elizabeth
Radioactive!: How Irene Curie and Lise Meitner Revolutionized Science and Changed the World - Conkling, Winifred
The Nerdy Nummies Cookbook: Sweet Treats for the Geek in All of Us - Pansino, Rosanna

Young Adult Graphic Novels
A Certain Scientific Accelerator Vol. 1- Kamachi, Kazuma
One piece. Vol. 76, Just keep going - Oda, Eiichirō
Tsubasa omnibus. 6

New DVDs
Black Mass
Amy
Dark Places
Ricki and the Flash
Terminator Genisys

Museum Passes
these and more - reserve one today!
Thank you to our Friends and Supporters

A big thank you from The Friends of the Pembroke Library (Friends) to all our members for your continued support through your membership renewal.

As the Friends look forward to another successful year for 2016, we would like to thank all who have donated, volunteered and participated in our 2015 events and fundraisers. We could not have met our financial and donation goals without your support!

Membership Drive 2016

The annual membership is just one portion of our yearly fundraising campaigns, but an important one.

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

Please help us by renewing or becoming a member of the Friends of the Pembroke Library during our 2016 membership drive. You can use the form found in this newsletter, download the renewal/new membership form from the library’s website, www.pembrokepubliclibrary.org or pick up a form at the library. An individual membership is still only $10, and a family membership is $20. For $50, a business can provide a year-long sponsorship. The Friends are an authorized 501(c)3 organization, so your membership dues are also tax deductible.

FEBRUARY IS LIBRARY LOVERS MONTH

In addition to the membership drive, the Friends’ Board has designated February 2016 as Library Lovers Month. Look for more information via email and the library website. An outreach letter will go out the community explaining our role with the library and the important contributions the Friends make to the community.

You can stop by the library during February to pick up information about our group. Library Lover contributors will be entered to win a gift card prize.

You can reserve a museum pass from your home computer and pick it up at the library. The Friends purchase yearly museum/cultural passes to the following venues: Children’s Museum-Boston, Heritage Museum and Gardens, Institute of Contemporary Art-Boston, Isabella Stuart Gardner Museum, Massachusetts Parks Pass, Museum of Fine Arts, Museum of Science, New England Aquarium, Plimoth Plantation, Roger Williams Park Zoo, South Shore National Science Center, Franklin Park Zoo and Stone Zoo.

TECHNOLOGY.... HOW WE HELP

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 e readers for a Technology Lab. In 2015, the Friends again supplied funding for upgrades to the library’s technology. The Friends will continue to support this important part of the library’s mission with continued funding for enhancements to the library’s technology during 2016.

In 2013, The Friends donated the AWE workstation for the Children’s room of the library, and it quickly became very popular with the younger children. The library has received partial funding through a grant to purchase the next age group AWE workstation in 2016. An additional grant from the Friends will cover the remaining costs so that more children in two different age groups will be able use this technology.

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Friends of Pembroke Library News - friend to friend

January 2016

MUSEUM PASSES

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Great Library = Great Friends

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

Book, DVD and CD donations are being accepted now and throughout the year. We ask that your donations are in good-to-excellent condition. Unfortunately, we cannot accept textbooks or magazines.

Friends of the Pembroke Library Membership Form 2016

Membership Year Jan 2016 - Dec 2016

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:______________________________