# **Monthly Digest-January 2023**

# Learn, Play, and Explore

### Welcome Message

(Image of purple cardboard top hat with gold trim that says Happy New Year).

Kick off the year trying something new!

Looking for a new hobby, new job, or a book on how-to, we've got the resources here for you!

Get started at the library in 2023... it's FREE!

### **Holiday Library Hours**

(Image of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.)

Monday, January 2: Closed

Monday, Jan. 16: Closed in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

## Free Tax Preparation Help

(Image of tax form, a clock and a yellow sticky note that says, "Tax Time!"

AARP Foundation is partnering with MPL to provide free tax filing help. Call the

library after January 14 for an appointment. Find details at bit.ly/MPLTaxHelpInfo

## **January Events for Kids**

(Image of adult reading to a toddler seated on their lap and an inlay graphic of a palette of paints with a paint brush)

View program details and register at <a href="mailto:bit.ly/Children\_Programs">bit.ly/Children\_Programs</a>

#### **Fun for Teens and Tweens**

(Image of a snowflake craft)

Check out our and register at <a href="mailto:bit.ly/YA\_Programs">bit.ly/YA\_Programs</a>

### Plus, Offerings for Adults!

(Image of a candle making craft)

Check out the event details at bit.ly/Adult\_LibraryPrograms

### **Construction Update from the Director's Desk**

As the year comes to a close, there is a lot of progress to report on. The final section of roof that connects the Carnegie building with the new addition has been completed. Keeping moisture out and heating the building will allow the electrical work to move forward. This will also allow the drywall installation and joint taping to move quickly. The exterior bricks are visible from both West Main and Witherbee Streets. The bricks, along with the roof shingles, show glimpses of what the final product will look like. Windows are scheduled to be installed soon. This will provide another leap forward in the finished design. Repairing the front façade is also underway. As you recall the blocks of terra cotta above the West Main Street entrance were significantly deteriorated since they were installed in 1904 and need extensive work. This project involves some high-tech tools. The first step is a laser scan

of the area above the pediment. After that is complete the area will be

dismantled and shipped to New York for restoration and fabrication.

The end result will be a stable, safe structure that will be in place for

another hundred years or more.

This will be my last project update as I am retiring this month. I am

looking forward to all the progress that will be made throughout the next

several months. See you at the opening in the spring!

-Margaret Cardello January 1, 2023

## **Library Links**

Library Website - marlborough-ma.gov/library-0

Access Your Account - bit.ly/CWMARSAccount

English Language Learning Resources – <u>bit.ly/MPLeslaccess</u>

Crisis & Community Resources - <a href="mailto:bit.ly/MPLCrisisandCommunityResources">bit.ly/MPLCrisisandCommunityResources</a>

#### **Contact Us**

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## **Temporary Location:**

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Monday through Thursday: 9am to 7:45pm

Friday and Saturday: 9am to 5pm