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From the Director

New Year, New Directions

I am looking forward to all that 2015 will bring. Here are four things at the top of my list:

1. Our One City, One Book project in partnership with the Marlborough Public Schools. Our committee will choose a book that we can all read and talk about. It will be a great opportunity for us to gather together and spread the joy of reading in the New Year. Thanks to the Brigham Family Trust for providing a grant that will fund this project.

2. We will continue researching the possibility of an updated library facility. We will carefully look at the 1,076



Margaret Cardello,
Library Director

responses to our recent survey and put in writing all that we would need in an updated facility. The next step will be to hire an architect to create designs of what this library might look like. That will certainly be something to look forward to! All this work

is in preparation for applying for a state grant in FY2017 that will help fund library construction projects.

3. Working with the Marlborough Public Library Foundation. The Foundation was started in 2002 to support the library and raise funds for special projects. With the possibility of an updated facility in the future the Foundation will be planning activities to raise funds for this project and for ongoing library programs and services.

4. Celebrating the Friends of the Marlborough Public Library's 45th year! Our Friends provide a wonderful array of programs, including author visits, concerts and art and photography shows. I am anxious to see what they have in store during this special year.

Survey Results Are In! Over 1,000 Responses!

Thank you to everyone who took the time to share your thoughts in our recent survey. We wanted to hear what you love about the library and what we can work on improving. We had over a thousand people respond!

Here are some of the things that we found out:

- Most of our patrons come to the library to borrow fiction.
- Most people drive to the library so the lack of parking is a big concern.
- Many people mentioned they would love study rooms, quiet areas, a café, and more meeting spaces in an updated library. We'll definitely pay attention to that in our future plans, but in the meantime we have designated our reference area as our quiet area.

• Thank you for telling us where you are on social media. 77% of our patrons are on Facebook and we are glad to meet you online at <https://www.facebook.com/MarlboroughPublicLibrary>. TIP: You can turn on notifications (clicking on the arrow by the "Like" button will give you this option) and you'll be notified every time we post. We're

also on Twitter for 19% of patrons who are Twitter users; our handle is [marlboroughlibr](#).

- A few asked for an emailed list of programs. We have a newsletter that you can sign up for to be emailed to you every three months. When you are on our website, look for "sign up for newsletter" in the sidebar.

- Our top rated services were museum passes, children's programming, ease of checking out materials, and our helpful staff.

- People have requested more fiction, DVDs and music, and we're working on that.

- We have started a speed reads program for popular books. They are only available to Marlborough patrons. You can find those across from the new books.

- Lastly, there have been requests to change our summer hours, and we are glad to announce that now we will be open 9am to 5pm on Saturdays all year long!

MPL Statistics for

October 2014

New Patrons: 137

Total Items Circulated:

19,596

Children's Books

Circulated: 6,142

Adult Books Circulated:

4,925

Movies Circulated:

4,786

Audiobooks Circulated:

1,544

YA Books Circulated:

980

Periodicals Circulated:

757

E-Books Circulated:

359

Adult & Reference Services

Taking Time for Yourself

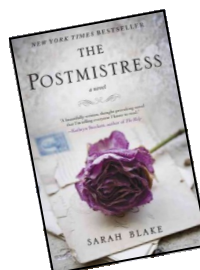
The new year often makes people think about change. It is a time to reflect on the year that has passed and look forward to the year that will come. Many people make resolutions to improve themselves in some way, but there are many different ways to focus on the idea of “self” and find ways to improve. Our collections have a lot to offer, whether you hope to learn something new, like a foreign language by using Mango Languages, or teaching yourself to play guitar by checking out the book and CD combo *Play Acoustic Guitar in Minutes* by Andrew DuBrock (NEW! 787.87 Dub). Books like *Small Move, Big Change: Using Microresolutions to Transform Your Life Permanently* by Caroline L. Arnold (NEW! 158.1 Arn) and *Your Life Calling: Reimagining The Rest of Your Life* by Jane Pauley (NEW! 650.1 Pau) can help you make or cope with big changes in your life, such as switching jobs. Similarly, books like *10% Happier: How I Tamed the Voice In My Head, Reduced Stress Without Losing My Edge, and Found Self-Help That Actually Works—A True Story* by Dan Harris (NEW! 158.12 Har) and *The Village Effect: How Face-To-Face Contact Can Make Us Healthier, Happier, and Smarter* by Susan Pinker (NEW! 302 Pin) examine various ways you can improve your overall happiness. On the other hand, books like *Change Your Clothes, Change Your Life: Because You Can't Go Naked* by George Brescia (NEW! 646.404 Bre) and *In Real Life: Love, Lies, & Identity in the Digital Age* by Yaniv Schulman (NEW! 302.302 Sch) look at much more specific aspects of life, such as fashion and interpersonal relationships, and their effect on self-perception and well-being. Ask a reference librarian for help identifying more books to suit your needs in the new year!

Welcome Our New Outreach Librarian: Miriam!

We are pleased to announce that Miriam Achenbach, who has been working in our reference department since September as a temporary reference librarian, has joined our staff on a permanent basis as our new Outreach Librarian! Building on her past experiences as an outreach librarian at the Framingham Public Library and her current experience with the patrons of the Marlborough Public Library, she will continue to grow our patron services by getting the word out to the community about what we have to offer and gathering feedback from a variety of sources about what new or expanded services the community needs. She looks forward to strengthening our contacts with other departments, programs, and businesses throughout the city and helping the library move forward with our plans for improvements in the future!

Join our Book Club!

Visit the circulation desk for a copy of the book. E-mail Karen Mattes at kmattes@cwmmars.org with questions.



The Postmistress

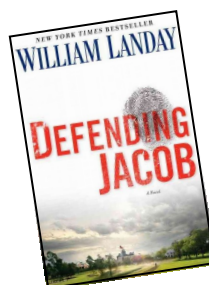
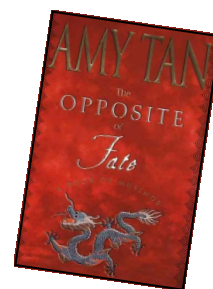
by Sarah Blake

Mon., January 12th at 6:30pm
or Thurs., January 15th at 10:30am

The Opposite of Fate

by Amy Tan

Mon., February 9th at 6:30pm
or Thurs., February 12th at 10:30am



Defending Jacob

by William Landay

Mon., March 16th at 6:30pm
or Thurs., March 19th at 10:30am

Writing Group for Adults

Interested in writing and sharing your stories/poetry? Join our adult writing group every third Friday of the month. Writers are encouraged to stop by for a few hours, share their work, and critique their peers' stories/poetry. If interested, please sign-up by emailing Jess Bacon at jbacon@cwmmars.org. Space is limited to 15 writers, so sign up now!

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

January 16th, Feb. 20th, and March 20th.
All meetings are 9:30am-12pm

Teen Services

Teen Room & Programs This Winter!

The Teen Room is officially open! Stop by to use our 60" TV, relax on our couch, or check out a laptop. You can register for one of our many programs below via <http://bit.ly/MarlboroughLibraryEvents>:

1st Wed of the Month @ 3:30-5pm	Wii Got Game
January Movie Madness Tue., 1/6@6pm, Thur., 1/8@3pm Wed., 1/14@3pm and Tue., 1/20@6pm	
Every Monday @ 6-8pm	The Study Cube: HW Help Club
Wed., Jan. 21st @ 4:30-5:30pm	Event Planners: Plan Teen Room Programs!
Feb. 12 @6pm & 25 @3pm	
Wed., Mar 25 @ 4:30-5:30pm	Event Planners: Summer Events
Last Tuesday of the Month @ 7-8pm	B.L.T.: YA Lit Group Jan. Splintered Feb. MILA 2.0 
February Mondays @ 4-5pm	Month of Writing Dangerously! Work on your novel and compete in Word Wars!
Tues, 1/13, 2/3 & 3/3 @ 4-5pm	Anime Night 

4th Annual Teen Writing Competition!

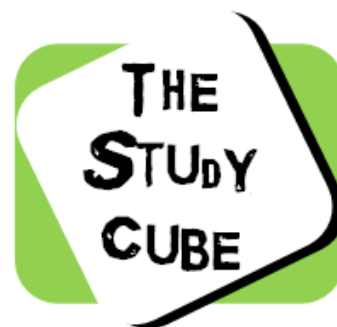
Teen Writing Competition

March 6th: Grade 6-8 Deadline
April 10th: Grade 9-12 Deadline

Fiction: 1,000 words or less
Poetry: 30 lines or less

1st Place = \$50
2nd place = \$25
3rd Place = Recognition

See our website for more details!
<http://marlboroughpubliclibrary.org/teen/teen-writing-competition/>



Homework Help Club
Grades 6-10, Mondays @ 6-8pm

February Break Programs

Cookie Crumbles: Decorate Your Own Cookie

Visit a Real Nail Salon for the Behind Scenes Look!

Once Upon a Time: Photo Booth and TV show Marathon!

Minecraft Friday Afternoon!

See online calendar for dates and times!

Teen Room Hours

60" TV!
GAMES!

Mondays: 3-5pm
Tuesdays: 5-8pm
Wednesdays: 3-5pm
Thursdays: 3-5pm

10 LAPTOPS!
WIIU!

Children's Services

New!

Sing, Dance, and Play at Music Time!

Does your little one love music and love to dance? Children ages 1 through 5 are invited to join us for Music Time and feel the energy of music! Let your kids

 **Monument Square**
Community Music School


have their first taste of live music through songs, games, and dance. Many of the songs were written by Stephanie Rogers, the Kiddie Music Time specialist and voice teacher, who will be visiting us from Monument Square Music in Leominster for this program.

This is a 5-week series of classes. Space is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Jan. 29, Feb. 5, Feb. 12, Feb. 26, & Mar. 5 @ 11:00 am-12:00 pm



Winter Children's Programs (January - March)

STORY TIMES	BABY TIME LAPSIT Join Kat for an interactive lap-sit for babies and young toddlers, birth to age 2. Stories, songs, rhymes and movement. No registration. <u>Mondays @ 10:00-11:00</u>	PRESCHOOL PALS Children age 3-6 and their caregivers are invited to join Tricia for stories, songs, and a fun craft. No registration. <u>Wednesdays, 10:00-10:45</u>	PJ STORY TIME Put on your pajamas and join Meredith for stories, songs, and a snack. Ages 3 - 7 with a caregiver. No registration. <u>Jan. 12, Feb. 9, Mar. 9 @ 6:30-7:15 pm</u>	PORTUGUESE STORY TIME Join Pollyana for stories, songs, and rhymes in Portuguese. No registration. <u>Jan. 14, Feb. 11, Mar. 11 @ 6:00-6:30 pm</u>
BOOK CLUBS	MUGGLE SUPPORT GROUP If you love to read fantasy, join us to discuss a fantasy book every month. Ages 10+. Registration required. <u>Jan. 5, Feb. 2, Mar. 2 @ 7:00-8:00 pm</u>	AMERICAN GIRL CLUB Each month, read about a different American Girl then come to the event for a discussion, a snack, and a craft. <u>Jan. 13, Feb. 10, Mar. 10 @ 4:00-5:00 pm</u>	<div> <h3>Calling All Homeschool Families!</h3> <p>Join us to learn how to create a spectacular book report! In this three-part program, kids will work on reports and have the option of presenting them. A great opportunity to meet other homeschool families. Recommended for grades K-5, but siblings are welcome.</p> <p><u>January 9, 16, and 23 @ 11:00 am-12:00 pm</u></p> </div>	
OTHER PROGRAMS	MAD SCIENCE Join Debby for a fun science experiment. Grades 1-5. Registration is required. <u>Jan. 8, Feb. 12, Mar. 12 @ 4:00-5:00 pm</u>	ART CLUB Sign up and express your creativity! Ages 6-11. <u>Jan. 27, Feb. 24, Mar. 31 @ 4:00-5:00 pm</u>		
SATURDAY EVENTS	LEGO FUN! Drop in for building fun with our huge Lego collection. Ages 4-11. <u>Jan. 10, Feb. 14, Mar. 14 @ 2:00-3:30 pm</u>	SATURDAY MORNING CRAFT Join us for a fun craft on the third Saturday of each month! No registration. <u>Jan. 17, Feb. 21, Mar. 21 @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm</u>	SPIKE'S BIRTHDAY PARTY Spike, our pet turtle, is turning 4! Join us for crafts, snacks, and a great party. <u>Jan. 31 Time TBA</u>	

February Vacation: Hawaiian Week

Celebrate a week of Hawaiian fun in the children's room, as we think about the tropics during the cold New England winter!

Hula Hoop Performer

Watch an amazing show and try out your own hula hooping moves!

Tues. Feb. 17 @ 2-3 pm



Pinecone Pineapples

In this fun craft, Miss

Tricia will show us how to turn a wintry pinecone into a summery pineapple.

Wed. Feb. 18 @ 10-11 am

Lilo & Stitch

Join us for an animated movie (rated PG) and some tasty popcorn.

Thurs. Feb. 19 @ 11 am-1 pm



Hawaiian Costume Program

Drop by to make paper flower leis and grass skirts.

Fri. Feb. 20 @ 2-3 pm

Check our online calendar for more information!

Welcome, Kat!

We are thrilled to welcome Kat Ealy as our new Children's Librarian!

Before joining us in Marlborough, Kat was the Head of Youth Services in Pepperell, MA. She also worked in the Manatee County Library System in Florida. Kat earned her Masters in Library and Information Science from Simmons College in Boston.

Kat is now running the weekly Baby Time Lapsit program on Monday mornings and is introducing some exciting new programs as well.

She recently adopted Spike, a red-eared slider turtle and the newest addition to the Children's Room.

If you haven't met her yet, stop by the Children's Room to say hello and ask her for some great children's book recommendations!



Nonfiction Picture Books

Nonfiction picture books have been moved to their very own section! Take a look and check out some wonderful and informational books like these:

Creature Features, by Steve Jenkins & Robin Page

Meet unique animals from around the world in this playful exploration of unusual animal facial features and how they help animals survive.

(NEW! J PIC 571.31 JEN)

Island: a Story of the Galápagos, by Jason Chin

A visual tribute to the evolving terrain and animals of the Galápagos.

(J PIC 508.8 CHI)

Zoo Borns, by Andrew Bleiman & Chris Eastland

Pulled from the pages of the wildly popular ZooBorns blog, this picture book presents the most charming critters ever:

baby animals, ranging from the adorable to the zany!

(J PIC 591 BLE)

Owen & Mzee, by Isabella Hatkoff, Craig Hatkoff, & Paula Kahumbu

The amazing, true story of the orphaned baby hippo and 130-year-old giant tortoise whose remarkable friendship touched millions around the world.

(J PIC 599.635 HAT)

Friends of the Library

Celebrating Our 45th Year! Upcoming Events January - March

The Magic of Rudyard Kipling
Wed., Jan 21st - 7pm - 8pm

2015 Annual Photography Show
Mon. Feb 2nd thru Sun. Feb 8

Michael Blanding, author of The Map Thief
February 18th 7pm - 8:30pm
Author /Celebrity Series - Hank Philippi Ryan, Host

Mount Rushmore
Wed. Feb 25th 7pm - 8pm

Auditions for 18th Anick Young People's Concert
Sat. Mar 7th 10am - 2pm

Yaschyshyn Concert
Wed. Mar 11th 7pm - 8:30pm
Erza Cutting Trust Concert

45th Anniversary Celebration Arts & Crafts Show
Sat. Mar 14th 9am - 5pm

Archer Mayor, author of the Joe Gunther mysteries
Wed. Mar 18th 7pm - 8:30pm
Author /Celebrity Series - Hank Philippi Ryan, Host

A Night of Crime with Howie Carr
Sat. Mar 21st 6pm - 9pm
Whitcomb School Auditorium - \$20/ticket

Teddy Roosevelt
Wed. Mar 25th 7pm - 8pm

Please go online: www.mpl-friends.org for updates on all programs, entry forms, and membership

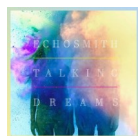
From Our Shelves to Your Player

Check out some of the December additions to our collection!



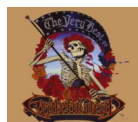
Mary Lambert – Heart on My Sleeve

Mary Lambert is best known for writing and singing the hook for Macklemore and Ryan Lewis's "Same Love." Here's her full-length album!



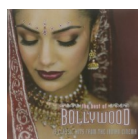
Echosmith – Talking Dreams

The debut album of the LA-based pop group. Includes the single "Cool Kids."



The Grateful Dead: The Very Best of the Grateful Dead

All the biggest hits from one of the most famous psychedelic rock groups of all time.



The Best of Bollywood: 15 Classic Hits from Indian Cinema

Big names and big movies in Indian cinema.

Got some ideas for the music section? Email them to Amanda at amcsweeney@cwmmars.org.

JANUARY 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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				Library Closed		
4	5 10-11am  Baby Time Lapsit 7-8pm  Muggle Support Group	6 6pm  Maze Runner	7 10-10:45am  Preschool Pals 3:30-5pm  Wii Got Game	8 3pm  Dawn of the Planet of the Apes 4-5pm Mad Science 	9 10-10:45am  Toddler Time 11-12pm  Homeschool Event	10 2-3:30pm  LEGOS
11	12 10-11am  Baby Time Lapsit 6:30-7:15pm  PJ Story Time 6:30-8pm  Adult Book Club	13 4-5pm  American Girl Club 5-6pm  Anime Night 6-8pm  R.A.D. Self Defense For Women	14 10-10:45am  Preschool Pals 3pm  Dolphin Tale 2 6-6:30pm  Portuguese Story Time	15 10:30am-12pm  Adult Book Club 6-8pm R.A.D. Self Defense for Women 	16 10-10:45am  Toddler Time 11am-12pm  Homeschool Event	17 10am-12pm  Saturday Craft
18	19 MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY <div>CLOSED</div>	20 6-8pm  R.A.D. Self Defense For Women 6-8pm  If I Stay	21 10-10:45am  Preschool Pals 4:30-5:30pm  Event Planners 5-8pm   Special Winter Program #3	22 6-8pm  R.A.D. Self Defense for Women	23 10-10:45am  Toddler Time 11am-12pm  Homeschool Event	24
25	26 10-11am  Baby Time Lapsit 6-8pm  Homework Help	27 4-5pm  Art Club 6-8pm  R.A.D. Self Defense For Women 7-8pm   B.L.T.: Teen Lit Bk Group	28 10-10:45am  Preschool Pals	29 11am-12pm  Music Time 6-8pm  R.A.D. Self Defense for Women	30 10-10:45am  Toddler Time	31  <div>  Spike's Birthday Party </div>

Please Note:














































All calendar dates are subject to change. Please see our website calendar for the most current program information.

Go to www.marlbroughpubliclibrary.org and click on "Community Calendar" in the top menu.

FEBRUARY 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 10-11am Baby Time Lapsit 4-5pm Writing Dangerously 6-8pm Homework Help 6-8pm Photography Show Open House/Reception 7-8pm Muggle Support Group	3 12-8pm Photography Show	4 10-10:45am Preschool Pals 12-8pm Photography Show 3:30-5pm Wii Got Game	5 11am-12pm Music Time 12-8pm Photography Show	6 10-10:45am Toddler Time 12-5pm Photography Show	7 12-5pm Photography Show
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8 1-5pm Photo-graphy Show	9 10-11am Baby Time Lapsit 4-5pm Writing Dangerously 6-8pm Homework Help 6:30-7:15pm PJ Story Time 6:30-8pm Adult Book Club	10 4-5pm American Girl 1	11 10-10:45am Preschool Pals 6-6:30pm Portuguese Story Time	12 10:30am-12pm Adult Book Club 11am-12pm Music Time 4-5pm Mad Science 6-8pm Dracula Untold	13 10-10:45am Toddler Time	14 2-3:30pm LEGOS
15	16 PRESIDENT'S DAY <div>CLOSED</div>	17 2-3pm Hula Hoop Program 5-7pm Cookie Crumbles	18 10-11am Pinecone Pineapples 5-8pm Michael Blanding - Author/Celebrity Series	19 11am-1pm Movie: Lilo & Stitch 6-8pm Once Upon a Time: Screening & Green Screen Photos	20 2-3pm Hawaiian Costume Program 3-5pm Minecraft: Hunger Games	21 10am-12pm Saturday Craft
<div> MARLBOROUGH SCHOOLS WINTER RECESS Check the Online Calendar to make sure these dates and times did not change! </div>						
22	23 10-11am Baby Time Lapsit 4-5pm Writing Dangerously 6-8pm Homework Help	24 4-5pm Art Club 7-8pm B.L.T.: Teen Lit Bk Group	25 10-10:45am Preschool Pals 3pm Dumb & Dumber 2 5-8pm Special Program #4	26 11am-12pm Music Time	27 10-10:45am Toddler Time	28

MARCH 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 10-11am  Baby Time Lapsit 6-8pm  Homework Help 7-8pm  Muggle Support	3 5-6pm  Anime	4 10-10:45am  Preschool Pals 3:30-5pm  Wii Got Game	5 11am-12pm  Music Time	6 10-10:45am  Toddler Time 	7 10am-2pm  Auditions for Anick Concert
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Regular & Summer Hours

Monday-Thursday:

--9am to 8:30pm

Friday:

--9am to 5pm

Saturday:

--9am to 5pm

Sunday:

--1pm to 5pm (closed July 7-Sept. 1)

Mailing: 35 West Main Street

Parking: 22 Witherbee Street

Marlborough, MA 01752



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