

# CHECK IT OUT!

NEWSLETTER OF THE MONTAGUE PUBLIC LIBRARIES

MARCH 2023

## HAPPY MARCH, MONTAGUE!

The month may be coming in like a lion, but after such a mild winter it's hard to keep dreams of spring at bay. For those with garden dreams, stop by the Carnegie Library to peruse the Seed Library, which will open March 1st. Patrons can grab vegetable, herb, and flower seeds, a planting chart, and as many books as you can carry on gardening tips and techniques.

This month will also see the conclusion of the Crossroads exhibition at the Discovery Center. If you haven't had a chance to view the exhibit, I highly recommend you swing by before it closes on March 18th. Companion programs this month include Native Memories: Recovering Pocumtuck Histories in Franklin County, led by Dr. Margaret M. Bruchac on March 4th, and Deepening the Power of Place: Exploring our Cultural Crossroads through Story, Song and Spoken Word, featuring Erica Wheeler and Andre StrongBearHeart Gaines, Jr on March 12th. Both events will be held at the Shea Theater.

Here at MPL we've got some pretty sweet activities coming up--pardon my pun! Millers' hot chocolate social is scheduled for March 9th. Then, on March 18, the Montague Center Library will transform into a huge game of Candyland! This special Saturday event is open to children of all ages and their caregivers and will be held between 10:30AM and 12:30PM.

Those interested in armchair travel or artistic inspiration ought to head over to Montague Center on March 15th to attend this month's author series, featuring Caroline Wampole. Caroline will read from her upcoming memoir How to Become a Rockstar in Paris.

Finally, I want to thank everyone who attended last month's forum at Montague Center. It was so heartening to witness the community's dedication to their library and the Old Town Hall building. As ever, the Trustees and I remain committed to supporting all of Montague's libraries!

All the best!

Caitlin



### LIBRARY INFORMATION

#### Carnegie Public Library

413-863-3214

201 Avenue A, Turners Falls

Monday & Tuesday 1:00 - 8:00

Wednesday 10:00 - 8:00

Thursday 1:00 - 5:00

Friday 10:00 - 5:00

Saturday 10:00 - 2:00

#### Millers Falls Library

413-659-3801

23 Bridge St.

Tuesday & Thursday 2:00-7:00

#### Montague Center Library

413-367-2852

17 Center St.

Monday & Wednesday

2:00 - 7:00

Friday 10:00-1:00

#### Website:

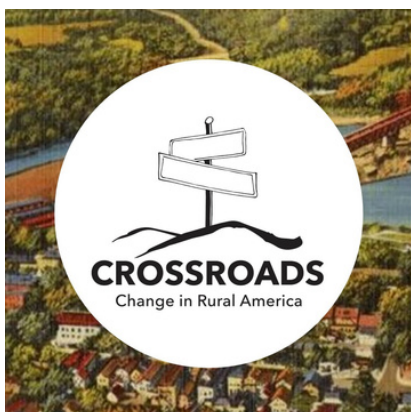
[montaguepubliclibraries.org](http://montaguepubliclibraries.org)



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The Montague Public Libraries are glad for the opportunity to collaborate with the DCR, RiverCulture, Friends of the Great Falls Discovery Center, PVMA, and NEPM in supporting programming for Crossroads: Changes in Rural America."

The Crossroads exhibition, a partnership between the Smithsonian Institute and the Mass Cultural Council, will be on display at the Discovery Center between 2/5 and 3/13.

See the full calendar of events at <https://greatfallsdiscoverycenter.org/crossroads>

# PROGRAMS

  
FOR FAMILIES

  
FOR ADULTS

  
FOR EVERYONE!

## STORY TIME



**Wednesdays 10:00 AM New location!**

Join us for stories, rhymes, and songs at the **Montague Center Library**. *Story Time happens outside of the library's normal hours.*

## PLAYGROUP



**Thursdays 10:00 AM New Location!**

Drop in to the **Montague Center Library** each week for a morning of both guided & free play. Designed for preschoolers but older children are welcome! *Playgroup happens outside of the library's normal hours.*

## USED BOOK SALE



**Saturday, March 4, 10:00-1:00 PM**

The Friends of the Montague Public Libraries will host their monthly book sale at the **Carnegie Library**.

## MILLERS FALLS LIBRARY

### HOT CHOCOLATE SOCIAL



**Every 2nd Thursday! March 9, 3:00 - 4:00 PM**

Join Abbey at the **Millers Falls Library** every second Thursday, from 3:00-4:00pm. Come for the hot chocolate....come for the crafts...or just come say hello!

## FRIENDS MEETING



**Monday, February 13, 5:30-6:30 PM**

Current and future Friends, join us for the monthly meeting. Meetings are never more than an hour. Carnegie Library.

## MONTAGUE CENTER LIBRARY



### AUTHOR SERIES

**Wednesday, March 15, 6:00-7:00 PM**

Caroline Wampole will share her memoir-in-progress, *How to Become a Rock Star in Paris*. Montague Center Library. Refreshments will be served.

## GRAB & GO BAGS



*While supplies last!*

**SCIENCE** Parachute Person.

**CRAFT** Rainbow Windsock.

## LIFE-SIZE CANDYLAND



**Saturday, March 18, 10:30AM - 12:00PM**

### Montague Public Library

Join us for the biggest game of Candyland you have ever played! Designed for children of all ages and their caregivers.

## MONTAGUE CENTER LIBRARY

### BOOK GROUP



**Thursday, March TBD, 7:00-8:00 PM**

For the next book and date of the March Book Group, contact Kate: [kmartineau@cwmares.org](mailto:kmartineau@cwmares.org).

## MONTAGUE CENTER LIBRARY

### ART EXHIBIT

**March 6 - April 1**



Caroline Wampole's abstract oil paintings and collage will be on display.

