

Bentley Happenings

June 2023

Hours

Mon. - Thurs., 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Sat., 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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Welcome

Join us in welcoming Linda Armstrong to the library staff. We are thrilled to have her join the team as a library substitute.



The library will be closed Tuesday, July 4.

June Features

Display Case

We hope you enjoyed our Mystery Month display in May. The June display features artwork by Bolton resident Larry Converse. Stop by to enjoy this colorful display.

Library Displays

- Juneteenth book display
- Father's Day DVDs
- Relaxation CD
- Father's Day picture books
- National Foster a Pet Month pet display
- National First Ladies Day display

On Sale

The Friends of the Library will continue their sale of children's books throughout the month of June. Prices will be as labeled.

UPCOMING EVENT DATES

Wed. 7th
BCS 2nd Grade Visit

Sat. 17th
Dad's & Donuts
10:30-11:30 a.m.

Wed. 21st
Registrations due for
Mobile Mammogram

Wed. 28th
Friends Invitational
Meeting
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Thurs. 29th
Backyard Wildlife - All
About Opossums
6:00-7:00 p.m.



Juneteenth

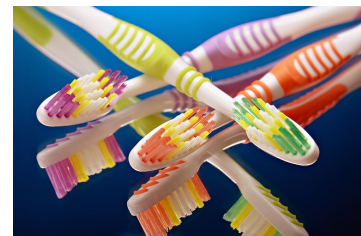
“[Juneteenth](#), an annual commemoration of the end of slavery in the United States after the Civil War, has been celebrated by African Americans since the late 1800s. On June 19, 1865, about two months after the Confederate general Robert E. Lee surrendered at Appomattox, Va., Gordon Granger, a Union general, arrived in Galveston, Texas, to inform enslaved African Americans of their freedom and that the Civil War had ended.

General Granger’s announcement put into effect the Emancipation Proclamation, which had been issued nearly two and a half years earlier, on Jan. 1, 1863, by President Abraham Lincoln. In 1980, Texas became the first state to designate Juneteenth as a holiday. All 50 states and the District of Columbia now recognize the day in some form. The holiday is also called 'Juneteenth Independence Day,' 'Freedom Day' or 'Emancipation Day.’”

Gardiner, Aidan. “Scenes from Juneteenth: America’s Newest Holiday, 156 Years in the Making.” *The New York Times*, 19 June 2021, www.nytimes.com/2021/06/19/us/juneteenth-photos.html.

Personal Hygiene Product Collection

Bolton Social Services is in desperate need of personal hygiene products. Donations of shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, shaving cream, deodorant, etc. will be collected at the library throughout the month. Thank you for helping Bolton families.

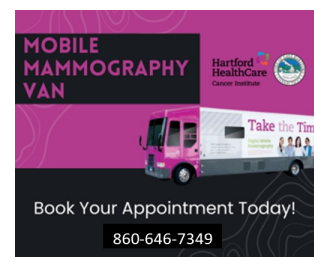


Mobile Digital Mammography at the Library

Register by June 21

By appointment only

On **Thursday, July 13**, Hartford Healthcare's Digital Mobile Mammography Van will be at the library to provide **regular mammogram screenings**. Read Hartford Healthcare's eligibility information [here](#) or call the Mammography Registrar at 860-418-9974 / 860-972-1243 to be sure you will qualify to receive service. To schedule your appointment, call the library at 860-646-7349. Appointment times will be scheduled between 8:00 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. **There are 20 slots available.**



June Programs

The following programs are free of charge and are open to residents and nonresidents. Unless otherwise noted, programs are in person and **registration is required** due to space limitations.

Register online, call 860-646-7349, or email bmlprograms@biblio.org.

Bolton Center School 2nd Graders Visit the Library Wednesday, June 7

The library and BCS are partnering once again. Second graders will take a field trip to the library. The students will learn about the library, listen to a story or two, and enjoy several activities during their visit.



Father's Day Dad's & Donuts Storytime

Saturday, June 17, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

It's almost Father's Day and we're going to celebrate with a special story time devoted to dads. We'll enjoy stories and a craft in honor of fathers and munch on some tasty donuts, too! [Register here.](#)



Friends of Bentley Memorial Library Invitational Meeting

Wednesday, June 28, 6:30-7:30

Are you interested in learning more about the Friends of the Library? Join us for refreshments and conversation. Learn what the Friends of the Library does, ask questions, and consider how you may want to participate. Registration is not required and all are welcome.



Summer Reading Kickoff

Backyard Wildlife - All About Opossums Thursday, June 29, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Pam Lefferts from Ferncroft Wildlife Rescue will present this informative program with the help of some opossum ambassadors. Learn about wildlife rehabilitation and the role of rehabbers - with a focus on opossums and Ferncroft's rescue efforts with them. Pam will also discuss various topics such as supporting wildlife during winter, preparing emergency roadside kits, turning your property into a sanctuary and more. This program is for all ages. [Register here.](#)



1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Program

Join anytime all year long!

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten encourages families and caregivers to read 1,000 books with their young children before they enter kindergarten. Read any book (yes, you can repeat books!) to your newborn, infant, or toddler before they begin kindergarten. Sound daunting? You have more time than you think.

Read 1 book/day x 365 days = 1,095 in three years.

Read 10 books/week x 52 weeks = 1,040 in 2 years.

Read 3 books/day x 365 days = 1,095 in 1 year.

Studies have shown that families who start reading aloud to their children at birth help strengthen language skills and build vocabulary. One out of five children have trouble learning to read. This program hopes to improve that statistic and also encourage family bonding.

Sign up for this program at the library. You and your child will receive a welcome bag, recording sheets, and tokens to celebrate your progress along the way.

Drop-in Continuing Programs

Registration is not required.

Knitting and Handcraft Tuesdays

Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Drop in any Tuesday to join this friendly and experienced group. All skill levels are welcome, including beginners!



Save the Date

Thursday, July 13 - Mobile Digital Mammography - *must register by June 21*

Thursday, July 20 - Library Boogie Musical Puppet Show with Tom Knight

Saturday, July 22 - Cardboard Creations - Build your idea for an animal crossing

Monday, July 24 - Libraries Love Lakes - Invasive Aquatic Plants with Kendra Kilson

Check next month's newsletter for additional details and other July events.

Thank you Friends of the Library
for providing refreshments for our programs.



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