

Bentley Books & Bits - April 2022



Bentley Memorial Library
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Hours

Monday - Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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Holiday Closing

The library will be closed Saturday, April 16 for the Easter holiday.

Quarantine, Fines, and Covid Policy Updates

During the past two years of the COVID-19 pandemic, Bentley Memorial Library adjusted many of its procedures to accommodate the needs of patrons while following town and state protocols. At this time, the library COVID policies have been lifted. We are now offering in-person programming and **masks are optional unless otherwise indicated**.

The library is no longer quarantining returned material. As of April 1, 2022 the library will be instituting pre-COVID policies. When the library is open, return items inside the building. When the library is closed, return items in the outside book drop. All returned items receive a one day grace period. As a reminder, DVD fines are \$1.00 a day up to a \$5.00 maximum per item. All other materials are \$.10 a day with a \$2.00 maximum per item.

Thank you for your faithful patronage during this difficult time.

Book Replacement Corner

Each month the library will feature a few of our much-loved and well-worn titles. We are hoping to find replacements in excellent condition. If you have a copy you are willing to donate, we would be very appreciative. This month's titles are:

The Covenant by James Michener
David Copperfield and *Bleak House* by Charles Dickens
One Hundred Years of Solitude by Garcia Marquez Gabriel
The Scarlet Letter by Nathaniel Hawthorne
Wish You Well by David Baldacci
The Yearling by Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings

Featured Displays for April

- Stop by to enjoy the Bolton Land Trust's 20th Anniversary display featured in our display case.
- Bentley Staff Picks
- Baseball books and movies
- Love Your Library books

Museum Passes

Spring is a perfect time to visit a museum. Check out the wide variety of museum passes available to borrow with your valid library card. A \$20 deposit is required. [Click here](#) to view available passes.

Cake Pans

The library has a collection of 35 cake pans of varying shapes and sizes for you to borrow. Browse our photo book and select a pan for your upcoming spring events. A huge thank you to our generous donors!

Trophies

The Jack Bosworth and Bruce Ralston Memorial Trophies are on display at the library. The names of the first Bolton male and female finishers of the Bolton Road Race are honored.

Payments

The library accepts cash or check only for fines, faxing, and copies. Checks should be made payable to Town of Bolton.

Diversity Survey

Have you had a chance to complete the Town of Bolton Diversity survey sponsored by the Bolton Board of Selectmen and Bolton Diversity Commission? If not, stop by the library to pick up a copy. Drop off completed surveys to our collection box. Surveys must be returned by May 15, 2022.

Townwide Tag Sale

Applications for the townwide tag sale are available at the library. Applications and a \$20 payment are due to the Recreation Department by April 18.

When the map indicating tag sale locations is ready, the library will have copies available. The tag sale is set for Saturday, May 7 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Friends of the Library Gardening Book Sale

The Friends of Bentley Memorial Library will be featuring gardening books for sale during April. Prices for the books will be as marked ranging from \$.50 to \$3.00. We accept cash or checks made payable to Friends of BML.

Go on an Adventure with the Passport to Connecticut Libraries

Take a tour of Connecticut libraries. Explore, browse and enjoy the architecture, atmosphere and collection unique to each library. The program is open to adults and children, and the hope is that it encourages residents to explore the amazing diversity of our public libraries. To participate, visit Bentley, or any participating library, with your library card and pick up a passport, collect your first library passport stamp, and receive a token gift. Take your library card and passport to at least five participating libraries to be eligible to win a \$150 gift card for adults or a \$100 gift card for children. The drawings will take place at the Woodbridge Town Library on June 1, 2022. Winners need not be present. Pick up your passport and let the adventure begin!

Reading Hall of Fame

Bentley Memorial Library supports the BCS Reading Hall of Fame program which runs March 2 - April 8 for grades PreK - 8. We have featured book displays supporting the required categories such as Nutmeg and Caldecott winners, graphic novels, nursery rhymes, and more! Online resources are available through the library website and include Libby, Hoopla, and TumbleBooks. Stop by the library to check out all the reading material you need to complete your reading records.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

The following programs are free of charge and open to residents and nonresidents.
To register, call the library at 860-646-7349 or email bmlprograms@biblio.org.

Another Place and Time - A Book Discussion Series

Led by John Valeri of Portland, CT **on Zoom**. Join us for any or all discussions.

March Adult Book Discussion

"The Forgotten Room" by Karen White, Beatriz Williams, and Lauren Willig

Thursday, March 31, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Save the date for the remaining discussions in our series.

April 28 - "I'll Be Seeing You" aka "Home Front Girls" by Suzanne Hayes & Loretta Nyhan with **author visit by Suzanne Palmieri (Hayes)**.

May 19 - "Meet Me in Monaco" by Hazel Gaynor and Heather Webb. **With author visit by Heather Webb.**

CELEBRATE NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

Monday, Apr. 4 - Saturday, Apr. 9

Celebrate National Library Week at the library with a variety of fun and educational activities and programs. Special guests will include Mallory Mortillaro, Gerri Griswold, Kat Leyh, and a Golden Retriever trio, Riley, Stella, and Benny for our Read to the Dogs event. Check out the list of special activities below.

SCHOLASTIC
BOOK FAIRS

Scholastic Book Fair - All Week, Apr. 4 - 9
Monday through Thursday, 10 - 8, Saturday, 10 - 3

Stop by the library throughout the week and peruse the wide selection of books available to purchase through Scholastic. Proceeds from the fair will enable the library to select new Scholastic books to add to the library collection. Only cash and check payments accepted.

Discovery of a Masterpiece

Monday, Apr. 4, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. on Zoom

Mallory Mortillaro, Curator of Collections for the Hartley Dodge Foundation in Madison, NJ, will share the story of how her simple art cataloging project evolved into a search for a mysterious piece's provenance, and became one of the biggest art finds in recent history.





Duct Tape Craft & Cookies

Tuesday, Apr. 5, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Come to the library after school and enjoy some cookies as you learn how to make duct tape crafts.

Love Your Library Storytime

Wednesday, Apr. 6, 11:00 a.m.

Join us for our Love Your Library Storytime and craft activity. Ideal for ages two through six.



Book-to-Movie Packs & Popcorn

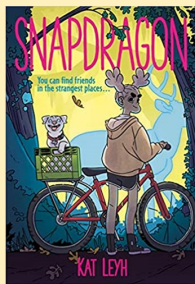
Wednesday, Apr. 6 - all day long

Enjoy a great book and a fun movie night with a book-to-movie kit. Stop in anytime throughout the day to browse our adult, juvenile, and children selections. Each pack includes a book, related movie, and a package of microwave popcorn compliments of the Friends of the library!

Bats are Good Guys

Thursday, Apr. 7, 6:30-7:30 p.m. on Zoom

Gerri Griswold from White Memorial Conservation Center presents a lavishly illustrated talk that touches on the basics of one of the most beneficial and maligned animals on our planet—the bat. Learn about various bat species, where they live, and why they are so important to us.



Kat Leyh Visit

Graphic Novel Author and Illustrator

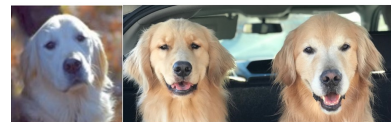
Friday, Apr. 8, 1:00 p.m. on Zoom. with BCS

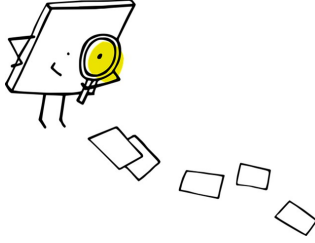
The library is proud to bring this talented author and illustrator to middle school students at Bolton Center School. Each classroom in grades six through eight will join Kat Leyh over Zoom to learn about writing and illustrating graphic novels.

Read to the Dogs

Saturday, Apr. 9, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. MASKS REQUIRED

Registered children can read a book to Riley, Stella or Benny. Each member of our Golden Retriever trio is a certified Bright and Beautiful Therapy Dog. The dogs can't wait to listen to your favorite story. Sessions are scheduled in ten minute increments.





Library Fun Day!

Saturday, Apr. 9 - all day long

Stop by the library between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to enjoy a new library scavenger hunt, guess the number of jelly beans game, and enjoy a craft activity.
