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Bentley Books & Bits - August 2022



Bentley Memorial Library
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Hours
Monday - Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Saturday - CLOSED in August

[Visit our website](#)

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The library is closed on Saturdays during the month of August.

Holiday Closing

The library will be closed Saturday, Sept. 3 and Monday, Sept. 5 for Labor Day.

Library Restrooms Unavailable for Summer Concertgoers

A portalet is available for concertgoers as our septic system cannot handle the volume.

988 - New Suicide Prevention National Hotline Phone Number

People experiencing a mental health crisis can now call or text a three-digit number, **988**, to reach the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. The new 988 hotline launched on July 16, 2022. It provides 24/7 free and confidential emotional support from mental health professionals trained to respond to such emergencies.

Hoopla is Active

Patrons may resume borrowing through **Hoopla** now that the library has its budget for 2022-23. Enjoy electronic books, audiobooks, movies, music, comics, and TV shows. Be sure to also check out **Libby's** electronic collection of books, audiobooks, and magazines. Visit the library's [website](#) for more details and links to these downloadable resources which are available with a valid library card.

Book Wish Corner

This month, the library is looking for recently released books in excellent condition. If you have any you are willing to donate, we would be very grateful. If you know you will be donating an item, please let us know so we do not order a copy. Thank you, we appreciate your support!

A special thank you to **Dorothy Hall** for putting her artistic talents to work in support of our summer reading program. Dorothy created this energetic and engaging painting to coordinate with our theme, Oceans of Possibilities. View this



and other ocean-themed artwork by Dorothy on display behind the reference and technology desk.

On Display

Visit the library to see Bolton's Social Services' Food Resources display. Learn about available resources including Bolton Food Pantry, MACC, and Foodshare.

Do you have a collection you would like to share?

The library has openings for the display case for the months of October and December. Call 860-646-7349 for more information.

Featured July Displays

- Shark books
- Day tripping in New England
- Beach reads
- Water-related movies and books
- Summer picnic cookbooks

Friends of the Library Book Sale

Children's books will be on sale throughout the month of August. Books are priced as marked. Our continuous book sale of adult hardcover and paperback selections is ongoing. We accept cash or checks made payable to Friends of BML. Thank you for your support!

Minor Renovations Complete!

Thank you to all our patrons for your patience while our study room underwent minor renovations. An access door from the hallway was added along with much-needed air ventilation. Thank you to Bolton's West Reach Construction Company for working so neatly and with minimal noise so the library could remain open while the work was completed. The room is available for reservations and is perfect for up to four people.



UPCOMING PROGRAMS

The following programs are **free of charge** and are open to residents and nonresidents. **Masks may be needed for some in-person programs per presenter requirements.**

To register, call the library at 860-646-7349 or email bmlprograms@biblio.org. *Program registration is required to ensure we have enough materials and snacks.*

Summer Reading Activities Continue at Bentley

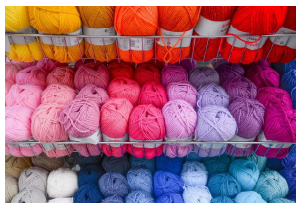
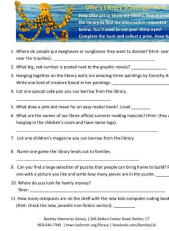
Bring your reading logs and get them stamped each time you visit the library. If you have been reading (or



read to), you can write your name on a paper water critter to hang in the library. See how many you can earn. **Over 150** critters already decorate the library. How many will be added in August? Keep reading!

Scavenger hunts throughout the summer!

Stop in the library to pick up a copy or check the library [website](#) to download the latest hunt. Some can be completed at home or away while others take place inside or outside the library. Bring completed hunts to the circulation desk and collect a prize. New hunts will be available each week.



Join the Knitting and Handicrafts Group Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.

This fun and welcoming group is open to people of all levels. Do you knit, crochet, quilt, or cross stitch? All types of handcrafters are welcome. Join the group any time. **Registration not required.**

Tween Sandpaper Craft and Brownie Sundaes Monday, August 8, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Tweens (ages 12 and up) will create sandpaper art with pastels and real sandpaper. They will top off the evening with a brownie sundae. **Registration by August 3 required.**

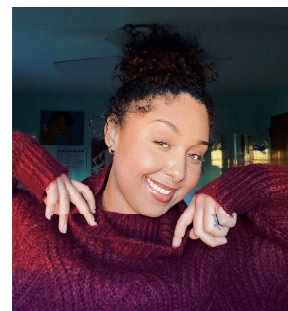


Two August Summertime Storytimes Wednesdays, Aug. 3 and 17 at 11:00 a.m.

Come to the library for storytime, a craft, and a snack. Stories will feature books relating to water. **Remember to register!**

Book Reading Q+A Event with Author Amber Mosley Thursday, Aug. 11, 6:00 p.m.

Bolton author Amber Mosley will be hosting a Book Reading Q+A event to celebrate her newest book release, "And So It Goes." Amber is a self-proclaimed human enthusiast and those themes are reflected in her newest work. If you have a love for the English language and a curiosity for the human spirit, please join us. Refreshments will be served and autographed copies of "And So It Goes" will be available for purchase.



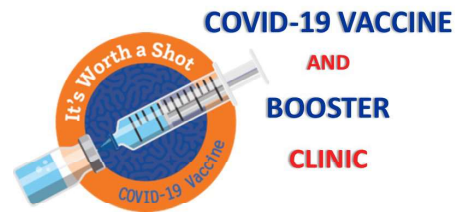


Libraries Love Lakes Monday, Aug. 15, 6:00 p.m.

Want to learn about how we study lakes and how to protect them? Come join research scientist Kendra Kilson of Northeast Aquatic Research, LLC. Kendra will bring and explain how pieces of scientific equipment work and will offer hands-on activities about water quality and how to care for lakes. Families, children, and adults are all welcome.

Pop-up Pediatric & Adult Covid-19 Vaccine & Booster Clinic Wednesday, Aug. 17, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Nurses from Eastern Highlands Health District will be on site for Covid vaccinations and boosters. Children ages 5+ are eligible for Pfizer's first and second vaccines or first booster. Adults are eligible for a Pfizer or Moderna vaccine, first booster, and for those over 50 years of age, a second booster. The clinic will be outside on the library lawn, weather permitting, otherwise, it will take place inside the library. Register at vams.cdc.gov. Walk-ins welcome.



This is Bentley's twelfth Covid-19 clinic and first clinic for young children.



Submarine Serenade...A Musical Adventure Under the Sea Thursday, Aug. 18, 6:15 - 7:15 p.m.

Join us for a musical ocean adventure teeming with songs, movement & fun. Children and their families learn ocean facts as they sing about the ocean, dance with jellyfish, tap boomwhacker periscopes, shake ocean shakers, float with bubbles, and so much more! If weather permits, part of the program will be outside on the library lawn. **Registration is required and space is limited.**

Summer Stars Thursday, Aug. 25, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Join us for a short tour of the summer night sky using the Stellarium star chart. Bolton resident John Hambrook will be our guide as we discover the planets and constellations

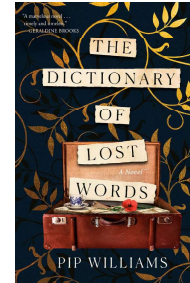


visible this time of year.

Book for Lunch

Tuesday, Aug. 30, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

The discussion group will meet inside the library. Bring a bagged lunch to enjoy as we discuss this month's book selection. Top it off with complimentary dessert. Copies of the book are available at the library. Request your copy when registering.



Thank you Friends of the Library

Thank you to the Friends of the Library for providing refreshments and prizes for several summer programs.
