

# Bentley Happenings

January 2024



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## Hours

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

Sat., 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

[Visit our Website](#)

## Why a library?

Libraries store the energy that fuels the imagination. They open up windows to the world and inspire us to explore and achieve, and contribute to improving our quality of life. Libraries change lives for the better.

—Sidney Sheldon

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## Library Closings

January 1st, New Year's Day

January 15th, Martin Luther King Day

February 19th, Presidents' Day

## Inclement Weather

In the event of inclement weather please check Channel 3 WFSB and/or the town website, <https://town.boltonct.org/>, to see if the library plans to close or alter its hours.



## Museum Passes

Bentley Memorial Library is now offering online museum passes! You can access the passes from the library's website from home, in the library or on your phone. Simply open the 'Museum Pass' tab and click 'ONLINE MUSEUM PASSES'. Once you arrive on the reservation page, select your museum and date. The site will show 'request' if the pass is available and 'BOOKED' if the pass is already reserved for that day. Once you have selected your museum and date, fill out the brief form with your name, phone number, email address and library card number (no spaces). Follow the prompts and you can review your

reservation and either print it or choose 'view and send pass information'. This will give you the option of receiving the pass as an email or a text message. With this new pass system, you will not need to make a special trip to the library, and you can reserve a pass even if Bentley is closed. Also, you won't need to leave a \$20.00 deposit.

There are three museums that still require a visit to Bentley to pick up a pass or coupon. For the CT Science Center, the CT State Parks and the Springfield Museums, you can request and reserve your pass/coupon through the TixKeeper program. However, you will need to come in and pick the pass up at the library before visiting.

## Connecticut Science Center

Bentley is pleased to offer coupons for reduced admission to the Connecticut Science Center. While not part of our museum pass program, these coupons offer 20% off general admission for up to 4 people. Just stop by the library to pick up a coupon.

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## Featured Displays

### Main Display Case

Visit the library and enjoy the displays of beautiful and varied items created by Bentley's very own Knitting and Handcraft group during the month of January.

### Sumner Sisters' Display Case

Stop by the Study Room to view the newest crystal display. ***Colors of the American Depression Glass Era.*** American Depression Glass was known for its myriad of colors. Come see the beautiful examples that are on display. Courtesy of Jim Dwire and John Toomey.

### Future Displays

If you would like to share your creations, travels or collections – please contact [bentley@biblio.org](mailto:bentley@biblio.org) to secure an available slot. We look forward to sharing your work with our community.

## On Display

- Large Print Adult Fiction
- New Young Adult Fiction
- Crafts - Adult Non-Fiction
- Staff Picks on the center rack
- Winter and Crafts - Juvenile Fiction
- Juvenile Non-Fiction
  - Martin Luther King
  - Civil Rights
- Winter stories for Easy Readers and Easy Fiction
- DVD's: Winter themed movies

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## On Sale

The Friends of the Library will be featuring biographies in their book sale throughout the month. Prices will be as marked.

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## Jigsaw Puzzles

Visit our expanded puzzle area at the back of the library. We have new puzzles for adults and children coming in all the time! What a great way to fill those wintry afternoons.

## UPCOMING EVENTS



### January

Knitting and Handcrafts

**Every Tuesday,**

6:30 – 7:45

Storytime at the Library

**Thurs. 11, 18, 25<sup>th</sup>**

11:30

Gleaning from a Life  
with Whitetails

**Thurs. 18<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 – 7:30

**Registration required**

Friends of the Library  
Membership meeting

**Mon. 22<sup>nd</sup>**

6:30

Coffee Filter Snowflake  
Craft

**Wed. 24<sup>th</sup>**

4:00 – 5:00

Grades 1 – 5

**Registration required**

### February

Take Your Child to the  
Library Day

**Sat. 3<sup>rd</sup>**

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## Book Drop

The book drop is now open 24/7 for your convenience! You can return your books anytime. Of course, we're always happy to see you come into the library, but if you prefer to do an outside drop it's now an option.



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## New Magazines

New magazine subscriptions are coming in every week. We have added *allrecipes magazine*, *Astronomy*, *Chickens*, *Lake & Home*, and *Sound & Vision* magazines to our collection. More new titles will be coming in soon. Stop by and check them out! Don't forget that there are magazines available for children to check out; *Ranger Rick*, *National Geographic Kids*, *Sports Illustrated Kids*, *OWL*, *Lego Life Magazine* and *BEANZ*.

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## Bolton Regional Lions Club/Recycle For Sight

Bentley Memorial Library continues to collect donated prescription eyeglasses and prescription sunglasses.

## Bolton Regional Lions Club/Thank You

Bentley Memorial Library would like to express its gratitude to the Bolton Regional Lions Club for their very generous support. To date, we have been able to purchase solar lighting for our new rear patio and a display system for the children's room which allows us to showcase artistic creations from our very youngest to our more experienced artists! The Bolton Regional Lions Club also donated 6 blankets in support of our Oh So Cozy Blanket Drive.

## Thank you

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Giving Tree sponsored by the Bolton Social Services.

Thank you to all who donated 14 blankets to the Cornerstone Shelter in Rockville to support the Oh So Cozy Blanket Drive.

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## Keep Learning with Great Courses

Great Courses are college-level courses on CD and DVD led by professors chosen for their ability to teach. We currently offer over 100 different titles. Choose a subject matter and we'll bring out the course for you to review and decide if you'd like to check it out.

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## Calendar Sales

Bentley Memorial Library will be selling the 2023/2024 Bolton Town Calendar for \$10.00 each. The Calendar sales support the goals and efforts of the Bolton Conservation Commission. These beautiful calendars feature photos from the Annual Town-Wide Photo Contest. These calendars can also be bought at A-1 Food Store, Bolton Town Hall, Cropley's Garden Center, England Hardware, Fish Family Farm, Highland Park Market-Manchester, Six and Forty-Four Package Store and W.H. Preuss & Sons.

## 4th Annual Oh So Cozy Blanket Drive January



The library will continue to collect NEW handmade quilts and blankets to benefit the Holy Family Home Shelter in Willimantic. The shelter residents appreciate the skill and time required to create the beautiful handmade quilts and blankets. Drop off your new creations to the library throughout the month of January.

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## Knitting and Handcraft Tuesdays Every Tuesday, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

Drop in any Tuesday to join this friendly and experienced group. All skill levels are welcome! Join the group anytime. *Registration is not required.*

## Storytime at the Library Thursdays, Jan. 11, 18, 25, 11:30-12:00 Drop-in event



Come and enjoy stories and simple crafts. Feel free to bring your own lunch. Storytime will be held on January 11, 18, 25. *No registration needed.*

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## Gleanings from a Life with Whitetails

Thursday, Jan. 18, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Please join Ray Hardy, artist/naturalist and CTDEEP Master Wildlife Conservationist as he shares experiences and observations from his lifelong fascination with and study of the elegant Whitetail Deer. The snowday is January 25th. **Registration required.**

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## Friends of the Library

The Friends of the Bentley Memorial Library will be meeting on Monday, January 22, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. Anyone interested in joining the Friends group is invited to attend. The Friends of the Library support the library through advocacy and fundraising. There is no fee to become a member. Please contact the library to register for the meeting by calling the library at 860-646-7349 or emailing [bentley@biblio.org](mailto:bentley@biblio.org)

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## Coffee Filter Snowflake Craft

Join us on Wednesday, January 24<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 – 5:00 for the chance to create snowflakes made from coffee filters. This event is for patrons in Grades 1 – 5/ **Registration is required.**



## Take Your Child to the Library Day

On the first Saturday in February, the 3<sup>rd</sup>, thousands of libraries across the world celebrate Take Your Child to the Library Day. Your local library is an ideal place for children to read, learn,

discover, make friends, and have fun. And Take Your Child to the Library Day is the perfect time to discover some library magic. From stories to craft programs to amazing books, each library offers something unique and delightful. Come to the Bentley Library for a scavenger hunt, treats and make a bookmark throughout the day.

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## **February Book Discussion** **The Lives, Lies and Spies of Action & Adventure** **Led by Mark Nystrom**

February will kick off a three-month book discussion group featuring Stuart Woods, Clive Cussler and Ian Flemming. Each month one author's work will be viewed through the lens of where their life stopped and their story began. Stay tuned for more information!

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**Register online, by phone at 860-646-7349, or by email  
at [bmlprograms@biblio.org](mailto:bmlprograms@biblio.org).**

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and supplies for our programs throughout the year.**

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