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Bentley Books & Bits

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In case of inclement weather, closing information can be found on WFSB Channel 3. We will be CLOSED Monday, Feb. 15, for Presidents Day.

Due to the increase of COVID-19 cases in the area, the library is CLOSED to in-person, internal appointments *until further notice*. OUTSIDE PICK UP IS STILL AVAILABLE DURING THIS TIME. To schedule outside pick up, email <u>bentley@biblio.org</u> or call 860-646-7349.

MOVIE BINGE BAG!

Want to binge on movies this month? Do you like suspense, romance, comedies, foreign films, TV shows or documentaries? Let us know your preference. We will select seven of our favorites for you and put them outside for pick up. Just give us a call or email to get started on some awesome entertainment.

Virtual Programs & Events

All programs are open to residents and nonresidents and are free of charge unless otherwise noted. Sorry, there are no in-person programs at this time.

To register for a program, call 860-646-7349 or email <u>bmlreference@biblio.org</u>

Children's Zoom Storytime & Craft Thursdays, Feb. 11, 18, 25, 1:30 to 2:00 p.m. (New Time!)

Feb. 11: Be My Valentine!



Join us for stories followed by a craft demonstration by Miss Trish. Ideal for ages 8 and under. Coloring pages will be sent along with the **Zoom** link and craft kits will be available for curbside pick up. This week on February 11 Valentine's Day books and activities will be featured. We also have many Valentine books to borrow, so if you would like to bring some home just let us know. Please email to register, to receive the **Zoom** link, and order your books.

Chocolate & Tea

Thursday, Feb. 11, at 6:30 p.m.

This fun, educational program highlights the history and varieties of chocolate and great tea pairings. You'll also learn how to make chocolate bark! Kim Larkin of Klassic Kreations will share her experience as a chocolatier and discuss how to brew a proper cuppa tea. You'll receive the bark recipe, recommended teas, and a **Zoom** link upon registration. Try your hand at making bark before the program, then share how it went for you. Kim will answer questions and offer suggestions based on your experience. This joint program is offered by Bentley Memorial Library, Bolton Senior Center and Social Services, and Bolton Recreation Department.

Adulting 101 - Financial Literacy

Thursday, Feb. 18, 7:00-7:45 p.m.

What is one key to living a successful adult life? Understanding how to manage your finances. This often overlooked life skill is covered by speaker Patrina Dixon, owner of P. Dixon Consulting. She is a personal finance expert, international speaker, award-winning author, and advocate for financial literacy. Patrina will engage and educate as she covers the importance of credit, budgeting, saving, and so much more. This is the first in a series of Adulting 101 programs and is **open to high school students only.** Contact us to register and for the **Zoom** link.

Adult Zoom Book Club

Monday, Feb. 22, 7:00 p.m.

New day and date! This month's discussion will be led by our own Trish Brudz. We'll be reading**"Saving CeeCee Honeycutt,"** by Beth Hoffman. Set in the 1960s, we'll follow 12-year-old CeeCee Honeycutt on her unexpected journey to Savannah. It is a funny and touching story with rich characters who demonstrate the strength of female friendship. Join us for a lively discussion. We'll end the night talking about genres and themes for our next book choice. Register to receive the **Zoom** link.

Pajama Storytime

Thursday, Feb. 25, 6:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Get in your cozy pajamas and hunker down in a comfy spot for Pajama Storytime. We will feature winter stories. Register and receive the **Zoom** link.



What is Your Favorite Dip Recipe?

Bolton Senior Center, Bentley Memorial Library, and the Bolton Recreation Department are sharing our favorite dip recipes during the month of February! Send us your favorite dip recipe for the chance for it to be shared in our newsletters! Also, stay tuned for a Bolton dip recipe list that will be displayed on our website, where we compile all of our recipes for the whole town to try.

COMING IN MARCH...

Harmonica Fun with Steve Clark (Bolton residents only)

Monday, March 8, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

You'll be educated and entertained as Steve demonstrates how professionals use a variety of harmonicas and equipment to create seemingly unlimited musical effects. Steve will also provide a short group lesson on harmonica playing. **Open to Bolton residents in middle school and high school**who have a real interest in learning to play the harmonica. You'll receive a free professional Hohner Progressive Series Diatonic Special 20 harmonica. Thank you to the Connecticut State Library and an anonymous donor for providing the FREE Hohner harmonicas! Spaces are limited so register early. You'll receive the **Zoom** link and schedule a time to pick up your harmonica.

Trivia Night!

Thursday, March 18

Test your knowledge in this fun hour of Trivia. We'll have four separate games, each with its own theme. Join us! Contact us for more information or to register. This is a joint program with Bentley Memorial Library, Bolton Recreation Department, and Bolton Senior Center and Social Services.

February is Sock Collection Month at Bentley

Socks are one of the most requested items in shelters. Drop off NEW, unopened socks to the library. Ring the doorbell when you get here and we'll come collect them from you. Socks will go to Cornerstone Shelter in Vernon and Holy Family Home and Shelter in Willimantic.

Wow! What a Response!

We received 61 handmade blankets in February! There have been some very busy hands here in Bolton and our surrounding communities. This outpouring of support for our neighbors in need has been astounding. Holy Family Home and Shelter was able to take 21 and Cornerstone Shelter in Vernon gratefully accepted 40. In two months, you've provided **84 blankets** to keep our neighbors warm. THANK YOU!



Hours for Outside Pick Up Mon, Tue, Thu 10:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Wed 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Sat 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.