

Bentley Happenings

February 2023

Hours

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

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

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February is National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month.

Join us via Zoom **Tuesday, Feb. 28, 6:30-7:30 p.m.** for this important and informative program. Kay Muñoz, Community Convener at Interval House, will discuss the statistics, signs of abuse, characteristics of a healthy relationship, support resources, and more. **Their 24/7 hotline is 860-838-8467.** [Register here](#) to receive the Zoom link.

Warming Center - Saturday, Feb. 4

Warm up at the library, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The library will be closed on Monday, Feb. 20 in honor of President's Day



Congratulations to Bolton resident and artist **Dorothy Hall**. She was featured in a Journal Inquirer article, January 21-22, 2023 edition. Stop in to see this piece on display at the library.



February Features

Display Case

Karen Cordero will highlight Hawai'i with a colorful display including photos of her time on the islands.

Library Displays

Books: Black History, Gilded Age, Valentine's Day
Movies: Rom-Coms

On Sale

Music CDs to benefit Friends of BML. Prices are 2/\$1.00 or as marked. Thank you for your support!

UPCOMING EVENT DATES



Sat. 4th

**Take Your Child to the
Library Day**
Events all day

Wed. 8th

**Bolton Greater
Together Community
Fund Celebration**

Open to All
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Thur. 9th

**Valentines for
Veterans**

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Mon. 13th

**A Perky Pair -
Chocolate & Coffee**

Thank You!

Last month we requested craft supplies and we received a wonderful array of items to use in upcoming programs and displays. Thank you to all the generous donors!

Third Annual Oh So Cozy Blanket Drive was a success!

Our blanket drive ended at just the right time. A cold snap is projected and the shelters were thrilled to accept the beautiful blankets. Holy Family Home and Shelter in Willimantic received 27 blankets and Cornerstone Shelter in Vernon received 41 blankets. *Below are Liz Thornton, Director (l) and Trish Brudz (r) with the lovely donations.*



6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Wed. 15th

Coffee & Coloring

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Sat. 18th

**Hoopla & Libby
Introduction**

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Thur. 23rd

**Healthy Wells and
Water**

6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Tue. 28th

Teen Dating Violence

6:30 p.m. (Zoom)

Storytime

Four dates this month

Thur. Mar. 2nd

Adult Book Discussion

6:30 - 7:30 p.m. (Hybrid)

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! Join the group anytime.

Coffee and Coloring - Third Wednesdays

Feb. 15, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Join us for an hour of coloring and conversation. Relax as you tap into your creative side. Coloring pages and colored pencils will be provided. Coffee and tea will be served.



February Special Programs

The following programs are free of charge and are open to residents and nonresidents.



be provided along with something sweet to enjoy while you create. [Register here](#). Completed cards will be sent to Veterans Home in Rocky Hill.

Chocolate & Coffee - A Perky Pairing

Monday, Feb. 13, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

In this fun, educational workshop, participants will hear about the health benefits of both dark chocolate and coffee, and where they come from. Kim Larkin of Klassic Kreationz will pair coffee provided with different chocolate varieties throughout the class. Each person will receive a coffee-chocolate tasting wheel to help throughout the tasting. [Register here](#).



Getting Started with Libby and Hoopla

Saturday, Feb. 18, 11:00-12:00

Join us for an instructional session on using Libby and Hoopla, resources free to library patrons. Explore the available digital books, magazines, movies, music, and more!

Learn to search for titles and how to borrow and return items. Attendees should bring a device with the Libby and Hoopla apps installed. [Register here](#).

Do you need help installing the apps? Call the library to schedule a support session. 860-646-7349

Covid-19 Drop-in Booster Clinic

Wednesday, Feb. 22, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Nurses from Eastern Highlands Health District will be at the library for Covid vaccinations and boosters. Vaccines are available for ages 5 and up. Please remember to bring your vaccination card. This is a drop-in event, registration is not required.



Healthy Wells and Water Testing

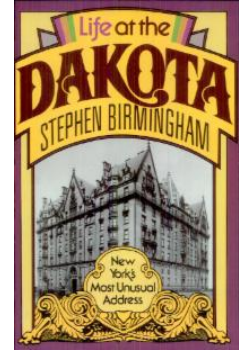
Thursday, Feb. 23 at 6:30 p.m.

Learn when, why, and how to test your water. Sanitarians from Eastern Highlands Health District will discuss healthy wells and water testing. Join us for this informative program, part of the library's *Home Wellness Series*. [Register here](#).

Adult Book Discussion

Thursday, Mar. 2, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Join us in person or via Zoom to discuss *Life at the Dakota* by Stephen Birmingham. The many show-business tenants "in this offbeat setting makes for many a lively story" ~ Kirkus review. [Register here](#). Please note in the comments field if you would like a copy of the book and if you plan to attend in person or virtually.



Save the Date

Save the date for these exciting programs coming up in March.

Monday, Mar. 6 - Discussion about Autism

Saturday, Mar. 11 - Potato Chip Tasting and Exploration - grades 6 - 12.

Thursday, Mar. 16 - Free pH soil testing

Saturday, Mar. 18 - Indoor Plant and Seeds Swap

Thursday, Mar. 23 - Helping Pollinators

Monday, Mar. 27 - Connecticut's Industrial Age

Thursday, Mar. 30 - Adult Book Discussion: *The Gilded Years* by Karin Tenabe

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