

## Bentley Books & Bits - December 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 open from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Saturday, Dec.24 and will be closed Monday, Dec. 26.



### Indoor and Outdoor Charging Stations

The library has an indoor charging station with multiple adapters available for your use during library hours.

The outdoor charging station is solar powered and available for use at any time, even when the library is closed! The station has electrical outlets and a charging pad available.

### Giving Tree

There are three tags remaining on the giving tree at the library. Stop in to select a tag or donate gloves, scarves, small denomination gift cards, or boxes of chocolates. Drop off items to the library by **Monday, Dec. 5** at 8:00 p.m. Thank you to everyone who has already donated.



### 3rd Annual Oh So Cozy Blanket Drive

Bentley is holding it's third annual blanket drive to support homeless shelters in Manchester and Willimantic. New, handmade blankets will be collected in December and January to help our neighbors in need.



## Featured December Displays

- Holiday music, movies
- Adult and children's holiday books
- Books on holiday crafts and gift making

## Friends of the Library Sale

This month children's books will be on sale. Titles are \$.50 or 3/\$1.00. We accept cash or checks made payable to Friends of BML. Thank you for your support!



## Looking for a Gift Idea?

Library book bags made great gifts and the proceeds go to Friends of the Library.

## End of Year Donations

Consider the library's gift fund or Friends of the library when making your end of the year donations.

# 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.**

**Register online**, call 860-646-7349, or email [bmlprograms@biblio.org](mailto:bmlprograms@biblio.org).  
*Unless noted, program registration is required.*

## A Day of Fun in Bolton

**Saturday, Dec. 3**

**11:00-2:00 - Drop-in activities**

Join in the town-wide holiday activities with a visit to Bentley Memorial Library. Drop in between 11 and 2 for a winter greeting card activity for adults, teens and tweens and a scavenger hunt and craft for kids of all ages. There will be two children's storytime sessions offered at 11:00 and 12:30. Enjoy snacks and cider throughout the day. Join us from 4:00-5:00 for the tree lighting on the Town Green and a special holiday story read by Miss Liz. **Registration is not required.**



## Storytime

**Monday, Dec. 5 at 1:00 p.m. *and***

**Monday, Dec. 12 at 1:00 p.m. or Thursday, Dec. 15 at 11:00 a.m.**

Join us each week for an hour of fun. We will read stories, have a fun craft activity, and enjoy a snack. Register for Monday, Dec. 5 at 1:00 [here](#). For the following week, register for either Monday, Dec. 12 at 1:00 [here](#) or Thursday Dec. 15 at 11:00 [here](#).

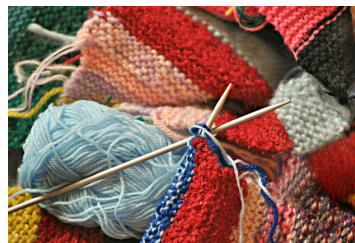
***Please include your child(ren)'s first name and age(s) in the comments field***

when registering.

## Knitting Group

Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Drop in on Tuesdays to join this friendly and experienced group. Those who quilt, crochet, or cross stitch are welcome! **No registration needed.**



## A Look Back in Time - Creating Textiles by Hand

Tuesday, Dec. 13, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Bev York will present the process of creating yarns by hand including harvesting fibers, dyeing, spinning and weaving. Prior to the industrial age, the process of producing clothing and household textiles might have accounted for 75% of women's work! York will also exhibit a rare double flyer spinning wheel. [Register here.](#)

Bev York teaches history at Quinebaug Valley Community College. She is the curator of the America Museum project and director of Windham Arts which promotes art, culture, history and tourism in the region. She is formerly the director of the Mill Museum and the Nathan Hale Homestead.

## Book for Lunch - Adult Book Discussion

Tuesday, Dec. 20, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

"The Ten Thousand Doors of January" by Alix E. Harrow

Join us to discuss this novel which mixes historical fiction, the power of stories, and an absolute love of words and letters all encapsulated in a fantastical adventure. Bring a lunch and enjoy dessert courtesy of Friends of the Library. When registering, please indicate if you would like a copy of the book. Register [here.](#)



This title is described as "...a book to make you happy when you gently close it. Here you will find wonder and questions and an unceasingly gorgeous love of words which compasses even the shape a letter makes against a page."—NPR Books



## Mrs. Claus & Minty the Elf

Thursday, Dec. 22, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Join us for a story and sing-along with Mrs. Claus and Minty the Elf! Children will have a brief one-on-one visit with Mrs. Claus for a photo and to share items from their wish list. There will be cider and a treat. **Registration is required and there are limited spaces.** Please put your child(ren)'s

name(s) and ages in the comments field when registering. [Register here.](#)

**Thank you Friends of the Library!**

Thank you to the Friends of the Library for providing refreshments for library events.

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