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Bentley Books & Bits - September 2022



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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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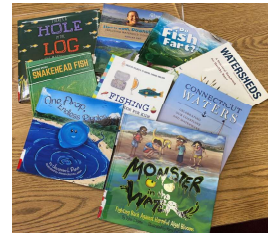
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Holiday Closing

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

Thank You Friends of Bolton Lakes

Friends of Bolton Lakes are sponsoring our Libraries Love Lakes program set for Monday, Sept. 19 at 6:00 p.m. (more details below). They also generously purchased these wonderful books for the library. Come see our display! We are grateful and hope to see many of you at our upcoming program on Sept. 19.



Tumblebooks - Read, Watch, Learn

Use your library card for FREE online access to animated, talking picture books, read-along chapter books, nonfiction books and videos, curated playlists, as well as books in Spanish and French. Plus, the collection features **Graphic Novels** – a student favorite! Preview Tumblebooks titles [here](#).

Coffee Mug Collection

Clear out your cupboards and help a worthy cause. The library is serving as a collection spot to benefit the **Hartford Kids Holiday Event**. The volunteers are looking for **like-new, full-size coffee mugs (no company or school logos, please)**. The mugs will be filled with goodies and wrapped in cellophane. Children in need can select a filled mug to give one of their family members as a holiday gift. Mugs will be collected through Saturday, Sept. 24. [Read more](#) about this event (*note: the library is only collecting mugs*).



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!

On Display

Take a trip down memory lane with the **Bolton Historical Society's** display, "Looking Back 50 Years."

Featured September Displays

- Back to School
- National Hispanic Heritage Month Sept. 15-Oct. 15
- Adventure stories and movies
- Flag books to celebrate the 125th anniversary of the CT state flag.
- Friends of Bolton Lakes book donations

Do you have a collection you would like to share?

The case is available for October and December. Call 860-646-7349 for more information.

Friends of the Library Book Sale

Self made, self help, and inspirational nonfiction titles will be on sale throughout the month of September. Books are \$1 each. We accept cash or checks made payable to Friends of BML. Thank you for your support!

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 860-646-7349, email bmlprograms@biblio.org, or in person, visit the registration station.

Program registration is required to ensure we have enough materials and snacks.

Upcoming Flu and Covid-19 Clinics

Stay tuned for details about flu and Omicron Covid-19 booster evening clinics.

Summer Reading Wrap Up - Bolton Has Great Readers!



We are very proud of all the great readers who have been coming into the library throughout the summer. At each visit, kids who had been reading (or read to) wrote their name on a colorful cutout. With over **290(!)** displayed, our young readers were able to showcase their reading skills to Bentley patrons. Well done Bolton. Keep up the great reading!

Once again, our weekly scavenger hunts were a big hit. With over 165 participants, there was quite a bit of sleuthing happening this summer.

Teddy Bear Picnic Story Time

Saturday, Sept. 10, 11:00 a.m.

Bring your favorite stuffed friend, a blanket, and a lunch to the library for our Teddy Bear Picnic Storytime. Miss Liz and Miss Diane will read stories about bears and picnics while you and your fluffy friend enjoy your lunch. Drinks and a dessert will be provided. Remember to register!



Join the Knitting Group

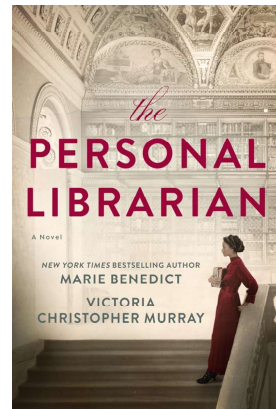
Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Do you knit, crochet, quilt, or cross stitch? Novice or experienced, all are welcome. Drop in any Tuesday to join this friendly group. **Registration not required.**

Adult Book Discussion

Tuesday, Sept. 13, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

The Personal Librarian by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray is this month's selection. It is a historical fiction novel about Belle da Costa Greene, J. P. Morgan's personal librarian. She became one of the most powerful women in New York despite the dangerous secret she kept. 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.



3 September Storytimes

A Harvest of Good Reading

Thursdays, Sept. 15, 22, and 29 at 11:00 a.m.

Join us for storytime, a craft, and a snack. Stories will feature books relating to the September harvest. Remember to register!

Libraries Love Lakes

Monday, Sept. 19, 6:00 p.m.

Want to learn about how scientists 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. This program is sponsored by Friends of Bolton Lakes.





Kid activity sheets and coloring pages related to voting will be available.

National Voter Registration Day Tuesday, Sept. 20, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Stop in the library to register to vote or talk to our town registrars. Bolton residents aged 18 and older may register as well as those 17 who will turn 18 on or before election day, November 8.

Voter registration forms are available at the library.

Garden Series

Thursday, Sept. 22 - Free pH Soil Testing and Answers to Gardening Questions

Saturday, Oct. 1 - Indoor Plants Swap - A tent will be setup on the library lawn. Bring either a clipping that has been started or a house plant to swap. Please use containers you are willing to part with. Plants should be indoor plants and pest-free. There will be a propagation station as well. If you are planning to bring a clipping, now is the time to start your cuttings. If you are just getting started with house plants, some starters will be available.

Monday, Nov. 14 (tentative) - **Putting Composting and Rain Barrels to Work for your Garden.** These tools are good for your garden and the environment. Learn how to make a compost tea, and more.



Free pH Soil Testing and Answers to Gardening Questions

Thursday, Sept. 22. Drop-in event from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Tolland County Master Gardeners and Bolton residents Jean Laughman and Leslie Alexander, and Pam Cooper, from the UConn Home and Garden Center, will conduct free soil pH testing and answer your gardening questions. The Master Gardeners will provide basic information and recommendations for gradual correction of soil pH based upon your soil location such as a lawn, vegetable garden, or flower garden. **This is a drop-in event.** Bring a cup of soil in a baggie from each location to be tested. Samples of plant problems are also welcome, e.g. a leaf or stem of an affected plant in a baggie or container. Gardening questions will be addressed throughout the evening.

Please drop off or email specific questions relating to soil, plants, gardens, or trees to the library by Wednesday, Sept. 21, then come to the library on Thursday night to consider the answers with the gardeners.

Soil pH testing will be completed while you wait, time permitting. Information on nutrient testing through UConn and overall soil and plant care and maintenance will also be available. **Registration is not required.**

"Keep Your Creative Juices Working" with Dorothy Hall

Thursday, Sept. 29, 6:30 p.m.

Artist, book illustrator, news designer, muralist, cartoonist, and teacher, Dorothy Hall has continuously created throughout her life. Join us as Dorothy shares

examples of her work, explains how she keeps those juices working, and inspires you to create.



Thank you Friends of the Library

Thank you to the Friends of the Library for providing refreshments for programs.

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