

Bentley Books & Bits

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.



Memorial Day Weekend

The library will be closed on
Saturday, May 29 and Monday, May 31.

Visit the library

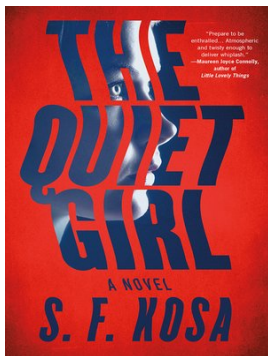
Peruse the shelves, read a newspaper, or use the computer by appointment. We can typically accommodate last-minute requests. If you prefer, utilize our curbside pick up.

Retirement Announcement

Eileen Stanley retired on May 1 after 27 years with Bentley Memorial Library. Eileen warmly welcomed everyone coming into the library and was invaluable if you needed help finding a great book to read. Eileen created our newsletters, updated the website, ordered books from outside libraries, created recommended book lists by genre and so much more. She was always thinking of creative new ways to help people find just the right book or movie. Eileen will be greatly missed by staff and patrons. We wish her all the best.

Part Time Library Assistant I Position

Bentley Memorial Library is seeking a part time Library Assistant I. To view the job description and application please visit Bolton's [employment opportunities page](#).



Join the Big Library Read

"The Quiet Girl" by S. F. Kosa

Join thousands of readers around the world in reading this fiction thriller eBook during the next Big Library Read, the world's largest digital book club. Use your library card to login to [OverDrive](#) or [Libby](#) to borrow the ebook "The Quiet Girl" by S. F. Kosa from our digital collection. There are no waitlists or holds for this title from June 28 to July 12. Need a hand getting started? Call the library.

Programs

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.

Virtual Programs & Events

To register and receive the Zoom link, call 860-646-7349 or email bmlprograms@biblio.org



Family Trivia Night

Thursday, May 27, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Trivia night has been so much fun we're back at it again this month. We will host four separate games, each with a different theme. You can compete as individuals or as a team. Come test your knowledge and have a lot of laughs along the way.

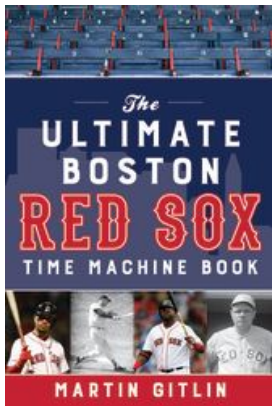
Beekeeping and Bee-Friendly Plantings

Tuesday, June 1, 6:30 to 7:15 p.m.

A joint program with Bolton Senior Center, Bolton Recreation Department, and Booth and Dimock Memorial Library in Coventry.

Register through Bentley Library.

Join Joe Jankowski, beekeeper and former BHS science teacher, as he introduces us to the world of backyard beekeeping. Joe will share his experiences with beekeeping and how you can plan to get started at this fascinating hobby. We'll be joined by a Cropley's Lawn and Garden Center expert who will offer suggestions for pollinator-friendly plantings.



Ultimate Red Sox Nation, with Marty Gitlin

Thursday, June 3, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Take a fun and enlightening journey through Boston Red Sox history with author Martin Gitlin of "The Ultimate Boston Red Sox Time Machine Book." See videos and photographs of the greatest and most fascinating players, teams, events, and moments in franchise history. Play trivia and learn about Sox history from the launch of Red Sox Nation to four World Series championships and beyond. Marty will include some Red Sox trivia and leave time for Q&A. Autographed and personalized copies of Marty's book will be available online to purchase following the program.

Father's Day Storytime and Craft

Saturday, June 5, 11:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Join us for a fun half hour of stories about dads. Ideal for ages 8 and under. Receive activity sheets and coloring pages via email upon registration, and arrange a time to pick up a Take-and-Make Craft Kit.



Why is Tiny Such a Big Idea? Exploring the Tiny Home Movement

Thursday, June 10, 6:30 p.m.

A joint program with 14 other Connecticut libraries

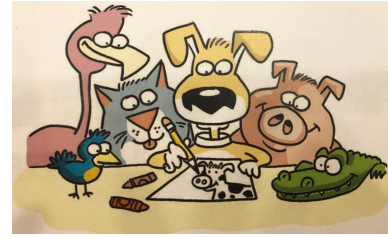
Envision a world in which people are allowed to choose from a broader range of economical, ecologically responsible, safe and healthy housing solutions. Join Lindsay Wood and Dan Fitzpatrick of Experience Tiny Homes, advocates of a movement to develop standards and promote best practices in the construction, placement and widespread use of tiny homes as permissible and permanent housing.

Cartooning Program: Let's Draw Animals

Monday, June 21, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

All ages welcome to join in on the fun!

Learn to draw cartoon animals and character expressions with award-winning cartoonist Rick Stromoski. This program is a kick-off for the Tales for Tails Summer Reading Program. You will learn to draw character expressions and a variety of our furry, hooved and feathered friends in this fun, interactive and popular program.



Community (Feral) Cats

[Watch the recorded interview](#)

Learn about feral, stray and pet cats that make up a community cat population. We focus on colonies, how to tell a feral cat from a pet cat, and learn how one Bolton family helped control a population. We'll feature an interview with Caroline Gaetano from Our Companions Animal Rescue, and Bolton resident Kelly McDougal Ross.