

Colchester's Weekly Town News
For the Week Ending May 16, 2014

While by no means a total representation of all the work performed by the Town, the following information highlights some activities that occurred:

Burnham Memorial Library—Kelly Tomaseski, Director

The library will be closed on Tuesday, May 20, for the [2014 Vermont Library Conference](#). The library will also be closed on Monday, May 26, in observance of Memorial Day.

Upcoming Events

Love & War—On May 21 and June 4 (both at 6:00 p.m.), we'll host a two-part talk by Curt Taylor. Curt will present the letters his parents exchanged during World War II, which tell the story of their romance and of the war itself—from Iceland and Great Britain to D-Day and the Battle of the Bulge. Registration at [our website](#) is appreciated, but not required.

Summer Book Sale—It's time to put our annual summer book sale on your calendar. Help support the library! The sale takes place June 27–29, and this year, it takes place at [Colchester High School](#). Friday night (6:00–8:00 p.m.) is the [Friends of the Burnham Library](#) preview (you can join at the door), while Saturday runs from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Don't miss this collection of gently used books and audiovisual materials—all at bargain prices! We're also seeking volunteers; please call (802) 264-5660 for more information.

Book Donations—We'll be accepting donations for the book sale on Saturday mornings (9:00 a.m. to noon) from May 31 to June 21 at the Colchester Town Offices at 781 Blakely Road. We will take hardcover and paperbacks, as well as DVDs, videotapes, and CDs. Please, no periodicals, encyclopedias, or textbooks.

Here are a few of our other regular and upcoming events:

- Burnham Knitters / Needleworkers—Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.
- Pajama Story Time—Wednesday, May 21 at 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday Drop-In Story Time—Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.

For more information about the Burnham Memorial Library, please visit <http://colchestervt.gov/Library/>, or call (802) 264-5660.

Public and Recreation Department—Glen Cuttitta, Director

The following is a small sampling of tasks completed by our department:

Registration for Summer Programs and Events

- Summer program registrations are being accepted online, by mail, and in person. Many summer camps are already full, so do not delay in registering. Hiring is complete for summer day camp counselors and waterfront staff. We are now planning summer camp employee training.
- We are accepting registration for the Colchester Causeway 5/15K race in June and the 30th Colchester Triathlon in July.
- Scheduling for the athletic field is currently taking place.
- We are taking requests for the pavilion rentals.

Staff Activities

- We met with the LIFE Program Advisory Committee to discuss the program and identify potential instructors. For more information about the LIFE program, visit our website at www.colchestervt.gov.
- Logistical work on the Muck it Up Adventure race is almost completed. An agreement was signed with the State of Vermont to use Niquette Bay State Park for a portion of the race course.
- We are planning for July 4th activities.
- The Colchester Pride volunteer program website is completed. Visit our webpage at www.colchestervt.gov for more information.
- We are preparing for and conducting the monthly Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting on May 14.

For more information about the Parks and Recreation Department, please visit <http://colchestervt.gov/PlanningZ/planningZHome.shtml>, or call (802) 264-5640.

Additional News

- Phase 1B of construction on the Colchester Village Park will start soon, with anticipate completion around July 1.
- Colchester hosted the third- and fourth-grade lacrosse jamboree and the fifth- and sixth-grade jamboree on May 10. The seventh-grade lacrosse jamboree was on May 11.
- For more information about our programs and events, please visit our website at www.colchestervt.gov.