

For the Week of March 5, 2018

Burnham Memorial Library Kelly McCagg, Director

The Burnham Library has so much more than books. Free tax preparation, crafts for adults and children, tutoring help: we've got it all! Stop by this month to warm up and take advantage of some of our wonderful services. Here are a few of our upcoming events:

- Tax Help with AARP Volunteers – Saturdays from 9:15 AM – 1:15 PM for seniors and lower income households. FREE but by appt. only: call 264-5660 to schedule. Openings are limited.
- Knitting and More: Wednesdays, 6-8 PM. Knitters and other needle workers of all skill levels meet Wednesdays; beginners are welcome.
- One-on-One Tutoring: Mondays 4-7 PM, Fridays 4-6 PM, and Saturdays 9 AM - 3 pm. Students from the Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences tutor students at the library in reading, math, and science. The program focuses on grades 1-6, but tutoring is available in other grades for certain subjects. FREE! Call to sign up.

For more about Burnham Library events visit <http://colchestervt.gov/library> or call (802) 264-5660.

Parks and Recreation Department Glen Cuttitta, Director

As we kick off March, Parks & Recreation is busy with many upcoming programs and preparing for summer programs, camps, and special events! Please remember most programs require pre-registration so we can ensure enough supplies and interest to run the class. Here are some things to keep an eye out for:

Recreation Programs:

- **Youth Lacrosse:** Registration is open for grades 3 – 8; teams are offered for both boys & girls. The season starts the week of March 26, so be sure to get your form in so you can start during the first week of practices! More details at <http://colchestervt.gov/recreation/lax>
- **Teen Open Gym (Grades 6 – 12):** Come shoot hoops on Tuesday nights at the Colchester Middle School, 7:00 – 9:00 PM. This FREE program runs until March 20.

- **Lil' Nibblers (Ages 2 - 4):** Parents and their preschool age kids will learn how to prepare simple, healthy, fun snacks. Thursdays, March 15 - April 5, 4:00 - 4:45 PM at the Bayside Activity Center. \$50 (Res) / \$55 (NR).
- **AARP Smart Driver Course (Ages 55+):** This class covers defensive driving and the normal changes associated with aging that are factors in safe vehicle operation. It's a good refresher course for adults 55+ and some insurance plans offer a discount for attending an AARP Driver Safety course like this! Non-AARP members welcome too. Monday, March 19, 12:00 - 4:30 PM at the Bayside Activity Center. \$15 (AARP members) / \$20 (non-members)
- **Aromatherapy (Ages 18+):** Learn the history of essential oils and how they can support your health and enhance your happiness. Grab a friend and join a relaxing Saturday class with take-aways and handmade crafts included. Saturday, March 24, 1:00 - 3:00 PM at the Bayside Activity Center. \$45 (Res) / \$50 (NR).
- **Viking Cooking (Ages 18+):** Join Colchester Mead-maker, Ricky, to learn about Viking-era cooking techniques and how to make traditional Scandinavian dishes. Sunday, March 25, 2:00 - 5:00 PM at Colchester's Mead Hall (Hercules Dr.) \$25 (Res) / \$30 (NR).
- ****NEW** Wacky Science (Ages 8 - 11):** Come for an afternoon of slime, elephant toothpaste, and more! We'll do science experiments and learn about chemical reactions and the scientific way to describe them. Saturday, April 21, 1:30 - 3:30 PM at the Bayside Activity Center. \$35 (Res) / \$40 (NR).

Parks:

- **Park Pavilion Rentals:** Summer reservations are now open for the Bayside or Airport Park pavilions. Request form and user fees are due at time of reservation; proof of residency is required. For more information and form visit <http://colchestervt.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=285>

For more about Parks & Rec visit <http://colchestervt.gov/recreation> or call (802) 264-5640.

Notices:

- Taxes are due on Thursday, March 15th. This is the 3rd and final installment for this fiscal year. Retain the top portion of your bill which has the necessary information to file for your homestead and state credit, if applicable.

Upcoming Town Meetings:

- **Selectboard:** Tuesday, March 13, 6:30 PM.
- **Development Review Board:** Wednesday, March 14, 7:00 PM.
- **Conservation Commission:** Monday, March 19, 6:45 PM at Bayside Activity Center.

For further information or comment, please call Linda Gustainis at 802.264.5509



- **Planning Commission:** Tuesday, March 20, 2018

(All meetings take place at the Colchester Town Offices, 781 Blakely Road, in the Outer Bay Conference Room on the 3rd floor unless otherwise noted.)

Upcoming events:

- **Easter Egg Hunt:** Saturday, March 31, 10:00 AM at Bayside Park; FREE Event! Please bring a non-perishable food item for the food drive! Sponsored by the Colchester Lions Club and Colchester Parks & Recreation



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