

For the Week of April 2, 2018

Burnham Memorial Library Kelly McCagg, Director

Spring is right around the corner, and with it comes renewal. We are happy to welcome Kat Janiga as our new Circulation Services staff member and announce that Penny Cunningham has been named Adult Programming & Outreach Coordinator. We know these changes in personnel will help us to inspire our residents to learn, grow, and become better citizens. Continue reading to find out about some of our upcoming programs.

- **Baby & Me Story Time: Fridays, 10:30 AM.** This story time is for babies ages 0-18 months and their caregivers. We will share stories, songs, rhymes, bounces, and finger plays. Join us for this 6 week session on Fridays at 10:30 AM beginning March 30. Participants will receive books and additional goodies at each session.
- **Drag Queen Story Hour: Saturday, April 7, 11:30 AM.** DQSH is just what it sounds like: drag queens reading stories to children. DQSH captures the imagination and play of the gender fluidity of childhood. In spaces like this, kids are able to see people who defy rigid gender restrictions and imagine a world where people can present as they wish and where dress-up is real. Join us for an extra special story hour in the Meeting House (located next door to the library).
- **Read to Willy Wonka the Volunteer Therapy Dog: Tuesday, April 10 & 24, 4:15 PM.** Sign up to read to our volunteer certified therapy dog. If you're not yet reading, an adult will read to you while you and Willy Wonka sit back and enjoy the stories. Call to sign up!
- **Young Writers & Storytellers: Wednesday, April 11 & 25, 4-5 PM.** Join us for our writing club for children from kindergarten to 5th grade. Let's create stories! Call 264-5660 for more information, and to sign up.
- **Anime Club: Friday, April 13 & 27, 4:30 PM.** Kon'nichiwa anime and manga fans! We're watching shows, eating delicious Japanese inspired creations, and geeking out with kawaii crafts because we can. Bring likeminded friends and Tanoshimimasu! Teens grades 6-12—registration is appreciated.
- **Louise Penny Bus Trip: Saturday, June 23.** Our first trip was such a success that we thought we would bring it back! Join other Louise Penny fans to tour

the Eastern Townships of Quebec, visiting the places that inspired the world of Three Pines. Tickets are \$45/person and registration will begin April 2.

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

Parks and Recreation Department Glen Cuttitta, Director

Bayside Park and Hazelett Property Master Plan Final Presentation

The final presentation from Design Concepts to the Select Board will take place at the Selectboard meeting on Tuesday, April 10 at 6:30 PM in the Outer Bay Room on the 3rd floor of the Colchester Town Offices. Final renderings and phasing options presented.

Employment Opportunities

Colchester Parks & Rec is seeking a **Track & Field Director** and a **Track & Field Camp Director**. Details about program dates/dates of hire, hours, compensation, and qualifications can be found at: <http://colchestervt.gov/Jobs.aspx>. Interested individuals should email résumé and application to Isaac at ispivey@colchestervt.gov.

Recreation Programs

- There are TWO Recreation Program Guides out right now, so don't forget to check them both out!

ADULT PROGRAMS:

- Ikebana Workshop (Ages 18+): Learn about this Japanese art of flower arranging and learn how to make your own. All materials provided. Thursday, April 12, 6:30 - 8:00 PM at the Bayside Activity Center. \$15 R / \$20 NR
- Carving Wooden Spoons (Ages 18+): Make homemade utensils by whittling them from wood! This is a two-day program to allow you time to practice and design. All materials provided. Saturday/Sunday, April 14 - 15, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM at the Bayside Activity Center. \$160 R / \$165 NR

Runity for Women (Ages 18+): Learn techniques to help you run without injury. Great for those who have had an injury or are attempting a "Couch to 5K" regimen. Taught by a certified physical therapist. Tuesday mornings, April 17 - May 20, 6:00 - 6:45 AM at the Bayside Activity Center. \$66 R / \$71 NR

YOUTH PROGRAMS:

- Youth Knitting (Gr. 3 - 5): Learn to knit or improve your knitting skills. For all levels; all materials provided. Thursdays, April 12 - May10, 3:05 - 4:30 PM at Malletts Bay School. \$50 R / \$55 NR
- Lego Programs (Gr. K - 5): Join us after school to watch a movie and make LEGO kits! We'll have a superhero theme: Guardians of the Galaxy kits with a Justice League cartoon. All participants keep their LEGO kits. Monday April 16 at MBS; Tuesday April 17 at PPS; and Wednesday April18 at UMS. Dismissal 4:30 PM (4:15 PM at PPS). \$39 R/\$44 NR
- ****NEW**** Wacky Science (Ages 8 - 11): JUST ADDED! Grab a friend and come for an afternoon of fun science experiments including making slime! Saturday, April 21, 1:30 - 3:30 PM at the Bayside Activity Center. \$35 R/\$40 NR
- Start Smart Lacrosse (Gr. K - 1) & Lacrosse Launch (Gr. 2): Introduce young athletes to lacrosse. Saturdays, May 5 - June 16 at Bayside Park Lacrosse Fields. Start Smart: 9:30 - 10:15 AM, \$65 R/\$70 NR (Includes stick, ball, manual, and cones.) Launch: 8:30 - 9:30 AM, \$45 R/\$50 NR.
- Kidz Kupcakes (Ages 8 - 11) Join us for a Saturday of baking and decorating cupcakes! We'll have lots of fun designs and themes, and learn to make them from scratch. Saturday, May 5, 1:30 - 3:30 PM at the Bayside Activity Center. \$35 R/\$40 NR

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

Upcoming Town Meetings:

- **Selectboard:** Tuesday, April 10, 6:30 PM
- **Recreation Advisory Board:** Wednesday, April 11, 7:00 AM.
- **Development Review Board:** Wednesday, April 11, 7:00 PM.
- **Colchester Conservation Commission:** Monday, April 16, 7:00 PM Bayside Activity Center
- **Planning Commission:** Tuesday, April 16, 7:00 PM.

(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:

- 11th Annual Touch-A-Truck: Saturday, May 5, 9:00 - 10:30 AM (Quiet Time, No Sirens), 10:30 - 11:00 AM (Sirens may be used) Colchester High School Parking Lot; FREE!



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Colchester – What do you want to do today?

- 6th Annual Causeway 5K/10K/15K Race: Saturday, June 2, 8:30 AM at Airport Park; \$30 per person. Registration OPEN. Visit <http://bit.ly/causewayrace> for details. Register by May 1 to guarantee t-shirt size.
- 34th Annual Colchester Triathlon: Sunday, July 29, 8:30 AM at Bayside Park; Individuals & Teams welcome. Early bird fees until May 1. Registration OPEN. Visit <https://www.colchestertri.com/> for details.

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