August Schedule Changes

Wednesday, August 2: Opening at 10:30
Thursday, August 10: Closing at 3:00

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SUMMER HOURS
The Library is closed on Saturdays from May 27 - September 2.

Summer Reading 2023!

The 2023 Summer Reading Program is going on now for ALL AGES! We have lots of great prizes to win and fun programs to attend! For more information on each program, click the "Read More" button below or visit the Summer Reading page on our website. The last day to earn tickets is Friday, August 11.

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Friends of Charlton Public Library

The Friends of Charlton Library are taking a hiatus in August. But stay tuned--you’ll find us at Old Home Day and at the Overlook Fall Fest! In the meantime, check
out the Friends’ Facebook page for updates and news: https://www.facebook.com/charltonlibraryfriends/. To become a member, pick up a form at the circulation desk or sign up online through PayPal. If you have any questions, please email charltonfriends@gmail.com. Thanks for your support!

Programs for Adults

Better Read Than Dead Book Club - EXPOSED: The Secret Life of Jodi Arias

Tuesday, August 1 @ 6:00-7:00

Wednesday, August 2 @ 11:00-12:00

Sibley Reading Area

A monthly meetup to discuss entertaining & fascinating true crime books. Books available from circulation prior to discussion. Registration is requested but not required.

How to Fight Book Bans & Stand Up for the Right to Read! (Virtual Event)

Wednesday, August 2 @ 6:30-8:00

How to Fight Book Bans & Stand Up for the Right to Read with Author Ashley Hope Perez. Registration Required.

Genealogy Group Meetup

Thursday, August 3, 6:00-7:30
Community Meeting Room

Meetings alternate between general discussion topics and guest presenters. The meetings are free and open to the public. Tonight will be a general discussion. Bring your questions and stories!

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Book Discussion - *MARCH* by Geraldine Brooks

Thursday, August 10, *5:30 in the Outdoor Reading Garden today!*

Books are available for checkout at the adult circulation desk one month prior to discussion.

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Death Cafe

*There is no August meeting, but this program will return on September 20 at 1:00.*

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The Alzheimer's Support Network Caregiver Support Group

Thursday, August 17, 6:00-7:30
Community Meeting Room

Information, resources, and strategies specific to caring for someone with Alzheimer’s and other Dementias with support for transitioning to different care settings. No registration. Co-sponsored by Tri-Valley as part of Dementia Friendly Charlton.

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Senator Ryan Fattman Office Hours

Wednesday, August 23, 2:30-3:30 - Local History Room

Deputy District Director of Senator Fattman's Office, Amanda Hellyar, will be available to field inquiries about issues with state agencies, and assist with referrals to federal partners.

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CULE: Charlton Ukulele League & Ensemble

Thursday, August 24, 6:00-7:30
Community Meeting Room

A FREE, fun, low-stress, and entertaining way for adults 18+ to learn music together. Any questions? Email Rich at cule5632@gmail.com

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Summer Concert: The Hip Swayers

Thursday, August 24 @ 6:00-7:00
Hailing from the hills of West Tatnuck, The Hip Swayers are a good time, get up and dance band. Their music combines tight rhythms, searing solos and soulful harmonies in an eclectic mix of catchy originals, old time country, and twangy, reverb-soaked surf that keeps your toes tapping and your hips swaying....

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Critical Thinking Discussion Group - *Oedipus Rex by Sophocles*

Friday, August 25, 1:00-2:00 - Sibley Reading Area

Join some like-minded friends for a little mental workout to keep your brain in good shape! Discussion material is available at the adult circulation desk.

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**Programs for All Ages**

**Find Your Voice 2023 Lip Sync Battle!**

*Thursday, August 3 @ 6:00 - 7:30*

Sign up to compete or attend as a member of the audience. Either way, it'll be fun!

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**Community Yoga (Outside!)**

*Saturday, August 12, 8:30-9:30 Maynard Field*

All ages and levels are welcome. Children under age 5 must have a caregiver with them at all times. Please bring a yoga mat. Registration required.
Join us in Dexter Hall! All are welcome; no registration required.

Free Popcorn!

**AUGUST MOVIE SCHEDULE**

Tuesdays at 1:00 & 5:00

**August 1:** SPOILER ALERT starring Jim Parsons. 2022; PG13; 1 hr 52 min.

**August 8:** ELVIS starring Tom Hanks. 2022; PG13; 2 hrs 39 min.

**August 15:** DUNGEONS & DRAGONS HONOR AMONG THIEVES. 2023; PG13; 2 hrs 14 min.

**August 22:** MOVING ON starring Jane Fonda & Lily Tomlin. 2022; R; 1 hr 25 min.

**August 29:** LITTLE RICHARD I AM EVERYTHING starring Billy Porter, John Waters, Paul McCartney. 2023; NR; 1 hr 41 min.

[View Movie Schedule]

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**Programs for Families**

**Carrie Ferguson & The Grumpytime Club Band**

**Wednesday, August 2 @ 2:00**

The Grumpytime Club Band is a red and gold family music party band including kid musicians and costumed dancers. All ages are welcome! No registration required. This program is supported in part by a grant from the
Robert Rivest - Comic Mime!

Thursday, August 10 @ 2:00-3:00

Robert teaches everyone how they can express themselves in movement, dance, facial expression, body language, and in comic Mime stories. Best for families with children in Pre K - 5th grade. No registration required. Sponsored by Savers Bank.
Friday, August 18 @ 2:30-3:15
Very silly! Very interactive! 45 min. Best for kids ages 3 and up. No registration required. **Sponsored by Country Bank.**

**Programs for Littles**

Summer programs for littles will vary, so please check our Kids Event Calendar to see what's happening! Programs include storytimes, baby playdates, open plays, and more! [View Kids Event Calendar](#)

Try a fun (FREE) yoga class for ages 2.5-5 with local instructor Linda Davis on Friday, August 11 @ 9:45-10:15. [Register for Pre-K Yoga](#)

**Programs for Kids & Tweens**

**Marvel Trivia Challenge**

Friday, August 4 @ 2:30-3:30
Do you know all there is to know about the MCU? Come and find out at our Marvel Trivia Challenge! Best for grades 3-8. Registration required. Spaces are limited.

**Crafternoons!**

Drop by the Storytime Room and make a fun craft! Wednesdays during Summer Reading @ 2:30-3:30 Best for ages 4-8.

**August dates:** August 2nd & 9th
Sensory-Friendly Storytime

Thursday, August 24, 6:00-6:45 - Storytime Room. Registration required.

Explore books, music, movement, and play in a sensory-friendly setting. Designed for children ages 4-10 of all abilities, particularly those who are on the autism spectrum, have sensory processing challenges, struggle in large groups, or have other special needs.

Pokemon Club

Monday, August 28, 3:45-4:30 - Storytime Room

Join us for Pokemon Club! Enjoy a variety of fun Pokemon activities. For ages 6-12. Registration required.

Learn to Play Magic the Gathering

Tuesday, August 1 @ 5:00-7:45

Learn to play Magic the Gathering with One-Up Games! For ages 8-18. Registration is required, spaces are limited.
Mario Kart Tournament!

Tuesday, August 15 @ 5:00 pm
Join us for an epic Mario Kart Deluxe tournament from One Up Games! For ages 8-18. Registration is required. Spaces are limited!

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Programs for Teens

Teen Advisory Board

Monday, August 14, 2:30-3:15 - Teen Space

Need volunteer hours? Looking for leadership roles? Join us to talk about teen programming and volunteer opportunities. For grades 5-12.

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Just Craftin' Around

Wednesday, August 16, 2:00-3:00 - Storytime Room

Bring your crafting supplies and craft with like-minded tweens and teens! Whether you knit, crochet, needle felt, make jewelry, or any other type of craft that travels well,
you are welcome to join us! This program is best for ages 9-18.

Staff Picks

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