March Schedule Changes

- Wednesday, March 8: Opening @ 10:30 am (Staff Meeting)

Programs for Adults

Tuesday, Feb. 28, 6-7:30 Episode 1 - The Difference Between Us
Tuesday, Mar. 7, 6-7:30 Episode 2 - The Story We Tell
Tuesday, Mar. 14, 6-7:30 Episode 3 - The House We Live In

Join us to view this three-part PBS documentary series which challenges one of our most fundamental beliefs: that humans come divided into a few distinct biological groups, telling an eye-opening tale of how what we assume to be normal, commonsense, even scientific, is actually shaped by our history, social institutions and cultural beliefs. Episode One explores how recent scientific discoveries have toppled the concept of biological race. Episode Two questions the belief that race has always been with us. It traces the race concept to the European conquest of the Americas. Episode Three focuses on how our institutions shape and create race.

You can attend any or all of the sessions. No registration required.
Screenings and discussion will be facilitated by educator and local author Michelle Chalmers. Michelle received a BSW from Wheelock College in Boston and an MSW from San Diego State University and is a racial justice educator, facilitator of diversity conversations, and author of the children’s books The Skin on My Chin, The Story of METCO, and Vitamin D and Me.

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Silver Needles Knit & Crochet Group

Thursdays from 1:00-3:00 - Upstairs Reading Room
Bring your current project and relax with friends while taking in the view in the upstairs reading room. All are welcome, regardless of skill level. Registration is not required.

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DNA Tests & Genealogy Research with Seema Kenny

Thursday, March 2, 6:00-7:30 - Community Meeting Room - Registration Requested

Come and learn more about this cutting-edge science that can help enhance or confirm your paper-based family research. A mix of history, available tests, testing companies, and using your test results, this hour will get you started on adding DNA as a genealogical resource.

Register >>

New England Quilts And The Stories They Tell

Saturday, March 4, 11:00-12:30 - Dexter Hall - Registration Requested

Join Pam Weeks for a fascinating presentation on quilts and the stories they tell. Quilt history is full of myths and misinformation as well as heart-warming tales of service and tradition. This program is supported by a grant from the Charlton Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency.

Register >>

Irish Dance St. Patrick's Day Tour

Saturday, March 4, 2:00-3:00 - Dexter Hall - No Registration

Join Charlton’s own Lee Irish Dancers for some entertaining Irish dancing in Dexter
Hall. Dancers will perform traditional Irish dances such as Reels, Light Jigs, Treble Jigs, and Hornpipes! All ages are welcome and no registration is required.

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Book Discussion - REMEMBER by Lisa Genova

Thursday, March 9, 6:30-7:30 - Local History Room (and via Zoom)

Books are available for checkout at the adult circulation desk one month prior to discussion. All are welcome to join us whether you have read the book or not. The group meets in person in the Local History Room. If you prefer to participate remotely via Zoom, the link is on our event calendar (charltonlibrary.org).

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Writer Support Group

Saturday, March 18, 9:30-11:00
Thursday, March 30, 6:00-7:30
Community Meeting Room

Get out of the house, away from the screen and come chat with writerly people. Fiction-focused, but all writers 18 and over are welcome. Contact Barbara with any questions: leclerc.barbara@gmail.com

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The Alzheimer's Support Network Caregiver Support Group

Thursday, March 16, 6:00-7:30 - Community Meeting Room - No registration required.

The Alzheimer’s Support Network Caregiver
Support Group is led by an Alzheimer’s Care Professional and experienced caregiver and offers information, resources, and strategies specific to caring for someone with Alzheimer’s and other Dementias. 

*Co-sponsored by Tri-Valley and Charlton Public Library as part of Dementia Friendly Charlton.*

Read More >>

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**Celebrate Quilting! Quilt Show & Demonstration**

Saturday, March 18, 10:00-2:00 - Dexter Hall - No registration required.

To celebrate National Quilting Day, Cornerstone Quilters Guild invites you to our mini quilt show and demonstration.

Read More >>

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**Gardens of the Gilded Age - Southbridge Garden Club**

Tuesday, March 21, 6:00-7:45 - Dexter Hall - Registration is requested.

The Southbridge Garden Club presents Jana Milbocker of Enchanted Gardens for this illustrated lecture. Relax, sit back, and enjoy the garden tour. The program is free and open to the public. Registration is requested.

Register >>

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**Critical Thinking Discussion Group: The Federalist Papers, #29, by Alexander Hamilton**

Friday, March 24, 1:00-2:00 - Sibley Reading Area (Main Floor) - No Registration

Join some like-minded friends for a little mental workout to keep your brain in good shape! Copies of discussion materials are available at the adult circulation desk one month prior to the discussion. No experience
with critical thinking discussion groups is necessary.

Read More >>

CULE: Charlton Ukulele League & Ensemble

Thursday, March 23, 6:00-8:00
Community Meeting Room

This club is 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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Acoustic Roots Jam

Saturday, March 25, 12:00-1:30 - Dexter Hall - Drop in, no registration

An acoustic-only music jam. Open to all 18+

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The Basics of Growing Cannabis

Thursday, March 30, 6:00-7:30 - Dexter Hall - Registration is required (must be 21+)

This program covers the basics of learning to grow cannabis legally at home for personal, recreational, or medical use. This program is free and open to those 21 and older.

Register >>
Bees and Beekeeping
Saturday, April 1, 10:30-12:00 - Dexter Hall - No registration

Please join John Hedly, local beekeeper and member of Worcester County Beekeepers Association, to learn the basics of beekeeping. This program is free and open to all ages.

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Programs for All Ages

Community Yoga with Linda Davis
Saturday, March 11, 9:45-10:45 - Dexter Hall - Registration required.

Join local instructor, Linda Davis, for a free monthly community yoga class. All ages and levels are welcome. Children under age 5 must have a caregiver with them at all times. Wear comfortable clothing and please bring your own yoga mat.

Register >>

March Movie Schedule
Tuesdays at 1:00 & 5:30

March 7: SHE SAID starring Carey Mulligan. 2022; R; 2 hr 9 min.

March 14: BLACK ADAM starring Dwayne Johnson. 2022; PG-13; 2 hr 5 min.

March 21: No movie today (but come to the Garden Club presentation!)

March 28: THE BANSHEES OF INISHERIN starring Colin Farrell. 2022; R; 1 hr 54 min.

View Movie Schedule >>
Boston Bruins PJ Drive!

February 1 - February 28

We are collecting NEW pajamas for kids and teens. Please click the link below for more information on sizes.

More Info >>

Lego Club

Every Friday @ 3:00-4:30 - Storytime Room

Join your friends and try out the LEGO challenge or build your own creation with our huge bin of LEGO!

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Weekly Storytimes

Our Winter/Spring schedule has changed! View the updated schedule by clicking on the link below.

More Info >>

Young Scientists STEM Classes

Classes are on Friday, March 3, March 10, and March 17. Register for each week you would like to attend by clicking on each date on our Event Calendar. For ages 3-6.

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Tiny Tots @ Night

Thursday, March 9, 6:00-6:30 - Storytime Room

This is an evening version of our Tiny Tots program. Best for babies - age 3. Registration is required.
Pre-K Yoga with Linda Davis
Friday, March 10, 9:45-10:15 - Dexter Hall
This class is for ages 2.5-5 years. Bring your own mats. Registration is required.

Register >>>

Tween Graphic Novel Book Club
Tuesday, March 14, 5:00-5:30 - Storytime Room
We're discussing Middle School Misadventures by Jason Platt. Books are available at the Children's Circulation desk. Best for ages 9-13.

Register >>>

Sensory Storytime
Thursday, March 16, 6:00-6:30 - Storytime Room
Explore books, music, movement, and play in a sensory-friendly setting. Best for ages 4-10.

Register >>>

Pokemon Club
Monday, March 27, 3:45-4:30 - Community Meeting Room
Do you love all things Pokemon? Join us for Pokemon Club! Enjoy a variety of fun Pokemon activities. For ages 6-12. Registration is required and begins on March 1.

Register >>>

Middle Grade Book Club
Monday, March 13, 4:00-4:30 - Storytime Room

Join us for our next meeting! This month we will discuss *The Secret Letters* by Margaret Peterson Haddix. Books are available at the Children's Circulation desk.

[Read More >>](#)

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## Programs for Teens

### Open Play with Virtual Reality!

**Tuesday, March 7 - (Early Release for grades 5-8) - 1:00-4:00 - Community Meeting Room**

One-up Games will bring a variety of next-gen consoles and gaming monitors. Try out all the popular games along with a mixture of classic and retro games. This program is for ages 8-18.

[Register >>](#)

### Teen Book Club

**Monday, March 6, 4:00-4:30 - Teen Space**

Join us for our first meeting! We're discussing *Heartstoppers Vol. 1* by Alice Oseman. Books will be available at the Adult Circulation Desk.

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### Tween & Teen Writing Group

**Wednesday, March 15, 3:30-4:15 - Community Meeting Room**

Writing prompts, book discussion, writing basics, etc. Best for ages 9-18.

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Teen Volunteers

Tuesday, March 28, 5:30-6:15 - Community Meeting Room

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

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Staff Picks

Karen

Nicole

Deb

Kathy W.

Susan

Molly

Barbara

Kathy M.*
Digital Resources

- Free access with your Charlton Library card!
- Free movie streaming with your Charlton Library card!
- Over 1,400 in-depth instructional video classes; covering 20 different creative passions
- Free access on a library computer or using library WiFi.
- A streamlined App to download your favorite OverDrive books, audio books, magazines & more!
- Watch beautiful classical music, operas, and ballets from around the world, anywhere, anytime.

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