

For the Week of July 7, 2025

Manager's Message

Town Manager Aaron Frank

July is National Parks and Recreation Month!

This July we want to celebrate the Parks and Recreation staff in our Town who work to provide spaces and programs that can be enjoyed by individuals of all ages and abilities. Parks and Recreation offers over 200 beloved programs to over 2,200 unique individuals annually and maintains our community's recreational areas and facilities that make our Town so special.

We are so excited to have new spaces for recreational activities in our Town with the Colchester Recreation Center.

This month, and every month, we thank the dedicated staff in Parks and Recreation for their hard work and commitment to our community. Thanks for all you do!



Summer Concert Series Begins July 10!

The Summer Concert series, hosted by the Department of Parks & Recreation, will begin this Thursday, July 10!

This week's concert will feature music from **A House on Fire**.

Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, and picnic dinner to Lower Bayside Park for our concert series on Thursday evenings. **This year, all concerts will begin at 6:30 p.m.**

Like last year, admission is free and parking is available at Bayside Park.

We look forward to seeing you there!



Book Discussion with Author Raúl the Third

The Burnham Memorial Library will host an online talk with Raúl the Third, *New York Times* bestselling author and award-winning illustrator.

Raúl the Third will discuss his book *¡Vamos! Let's Go Read!* and host a draw along. Drawing supplies and paper are recommended. This event is geared towards children ages Preschool to 2nd grade.

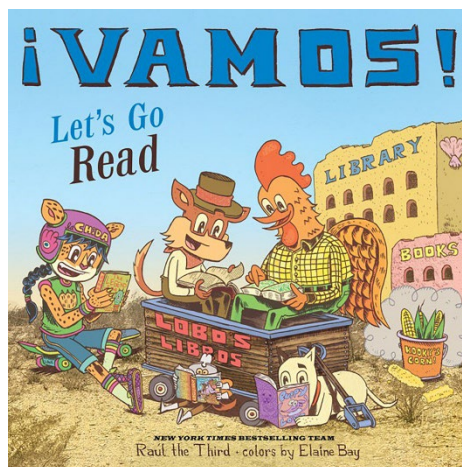
Please note that this talk will be held twice, once in Spanish and once in English. Be sure that you are registering for your preferred format. The talks will be held on:

Tuesday, July 8 at 2:00 p.m. – This talk will be held in Spanish

Tuesday, July 8 at 4:00 p.m. – This talk will be held in English

To register for the talk and see information on other upcoming events visit:

<https://libraryc.org/colchestervt/70866>



Food Pantry Pick-Up at the Burnham Memorial Library

The library (898 Main Street) is now a pick-up location for the Open Cupboard Food Pantry. Deliveries will occur twice a week throughout the summer. Items are located on the table to the left of the Children's Circulation Desk. Please take what you need.



Upcoming Job Fair – Centennial Field

The Vermont Department of Labor is hosting a job fair in Burlington on:

**Wednesday, July 30, 2025
5:00 PM – 6:35 PM
Delta Dental Diamond at Centennial Field
287 Colchester Avenue, Burlington, VT 05401**

The job fair is free to attend. Interested individuals can arrive at the job fair at 5:00 and receive a free ticket to the Vermont Lake Monsters baseball game later that night by visiting the Vermont Department of Labor table outside the gate.

Questions can be directed to the Department of Labor at (802) 863-7676.



**TAKE ME OUT TO
THE JOB FAIR!**

**Knock your job search
out of the park! Score a
FREE ticket to the game
by visiting the VDOL
table outside the gate!**

**WED, JULY 30, 2025
JOB FAIR @ 5:00 PM
GAME @ 6:35 PM**

**Delta Dental Diamond at Centennial Field
287 Colchester Avenue, Burlington, VT 05401**

**It's also
Kids Eat Free
night!**

A proud partner of the American Job Center network. Equal Opportunity Program. If you need special accommodations to attend this event, contact labor.communications@vermont.gov by 7/23/25. Requests received after that date cannot be guaranteed, but every effort will be made to provide the accommodation requested.

Department Updates

Department of Parks and Recreation – Upcoming July Programs and Events

Matinee Movie (55+) (Tuesday, July 8 at 11:00 AM) Escape the heat and come hang out with us in the AC! Join us for a matinee movie that will be happening on the second Tuesday of each month. Enjoy popular flicks from the past to the present each month. Popcorn and refreshments will be provided.

Thursday Morning Walking Group (55+) (Thursdays, July 10 at 9:30 AM) Grab your friends and come enjoy a summer morning walk along the bike path. This is a great way to spend some time with friends exercising and catching up on life or meeting new individuals, making connections with others in the community! This group will meet every Thursday at Bayside Park.

Game Club (55+) (Fridays, July 11-25 at 1:00 PM) Grab your friends and come spend the morning playing various board or card games together! Each week will feature a different game. July 11, Sequence -- July 18, Yahtzee -- July 25, Rummikub.

Baking Club (55+) (Saturdays, July 12 and 26 at 1:00 PM) Every other week we will get together to put our baking skills to the test! At each meeting, the group will be provided with a recipe and the ingredients needed for the recipe of the day. The group can work together to bake the delicious treats and even enjoy them at the end of the meeting! On July 12th, the club will be making Double Chocolate Crinkle Cookies and on July 26th the club will be making Lemon Blueberry Bread.

Pickleball Clinic Session A (18+) (Saturday, July 12 at 9:00 AM) Come and join us to tune up your pickleball skills. This program is guided for players that have some pickleball skills.

Learn to Play Pickleball (18+) (Sunday, July 13 and July 20 at 10:30 AM) This beginners' class is designed to introduce you to the basics of pickleball, including rules, techniques, and strategies to get you started on the right foot. This beginners' class is designed to give you a strong foundation in the game, build your skills, and help you have fun on the court.

Mosaic Coasters (55+) (Tuesday, July 15 at 1:00 PM) Come spend your morning with friends making your very own mosaic coasters! Each participant will receive supplies to make four unique mosaic coasters and will be able to take them home.

For more information, visit: <https://colchestervt.gov/333/Parks-Recreation>



Upcoming Town Meetings & Agendas

Selectboard Meeting: Tuesday, July 8, 6:30 p.m. at the Colchester Town Offices, 3rd Floor Outer Bay Conference Room, 781 Blakely Road. Residents are welcome to attend the meeting. Alternatively, send a note, up to 1,000 words, to TownManager@colchestervt.gov with “Citizens to be Heard” in the Subject and your name. As with in-person Citizens to be Heard, we ask that you SHARE YOUR ADDRESS. The email will be shared with the entire Selectboard prior to the meeting and included in the information packet at the next meeting.

- Watch the Meeting Online via Live Stream: <http://lcatv.org/live-stream-2>
- Agenda: www.bit.ly/Colchester-SB-Agendas

Planning Commission: Tuesday, August 5, 7:00 p.m. at the Colchester Town Offices, 3rd Floor Outer Bay Conference Room, 781 Blakely Road. Agenda: <https://clerkshq.com/Colchester-vt?docid=PLANAGENDA>

Recreation Advisory Board: Wednesday, August 13, 7:00 a.m. at the Colchester Recreation Center, 80 Dick Mazza Drive. Agenda: <https://clerkshq.com/Colchester-vt?docId=RecAdv&path=BOARDS%2CRecAdv%2C>

Development Review Board: Wednesday, July 9, 7:00 p.m. at the Colchester Town Offices, 3rd Floor Outer Bay Conference Room, 781 Blakely Road. Residents are welcome to attend the meeting or public comments can be submitted prior to the hearing by email to zmaia@colchestervt.gov or by mail to Town of Colchester, c/o Development Review Board, 781 Blakely Road, Colchester, VT 05446. Agenda: https://clerkshq.com/Colchester-vt?docid=DRBAGENDA&path=DRB%2CDRB_Agendas%2CDRBAGENDA%2C

Library Board of Trustees: Thursday, July 17, 4:00 p.m., in the Burnham Room of the Burnham Memorial Library. Agenda: <https://clerkshq.com/Colchester-vt?docId=LibBoard&path=BOARDS%2CLibBoard%2C>

Colchester Conservation Commission: Monday, July 21, 5:30 p.m., Holy Cross Road Rain Garden https://clerkshq.com/Content/Colchester-vt/Boards/ConservCommsn.htm#_CPA1

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