



Cookie Walk Time!

And Don't Forget the Quilt Raffle!

Baxter Memorial Library's annual COOKIE WALK is almost here, and helping out couldn't be easier! Simply bake up a batch of your favorite cookies and bring them to the library Thursday, December 9 (2-6pm) or Friday, December 10 (4-5:30pm). (Just make sure they're in an air-tight container.) Or, you can drop them off on Saturday morning between 8:00 and 9:30 before the sale.

Not a baker? Stop by Baxter Memorial Library on Saturday, December 11th, 10:00am-1:00pm and see for yourself how scrumptious helping out your local library can be! Don't forget, Saturday afternoon we'll also be drawing for the colorful quilt donated by Eileen Lanza, the one that's been on display in the library. Tickets are available at the library - \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Stop by to grab some cookies, and maybe snag yourself a beautiful quilt to wrap up in this holiday season!

Baxter's Holiday Hours

Make Sure to Get Your Holiday Reads!

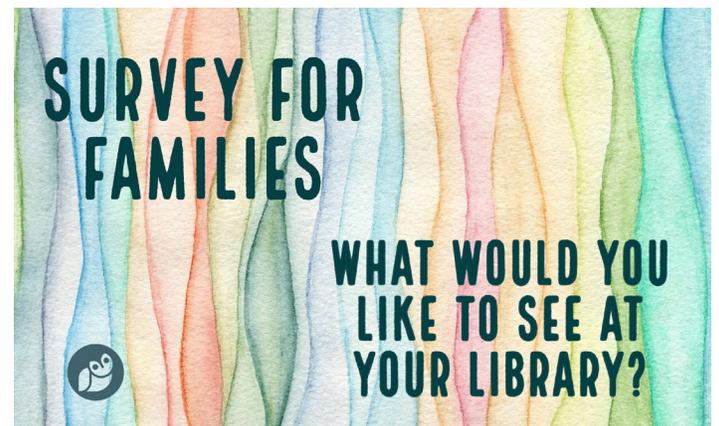
Baxter Memorial Library will have reduced hours the weeks of Christmas and New Year's. We'll be open Mondays and Tuesdays 2-6 but closed Wednesdays and Thursdays. Regular hours will resume in 2022. Happy holidays!



Light Up Sharon

Put a Little Light in Your Life!

Baxter Memorial Library invites you to LIGHT UP SHARON this holiday season! Let's cheer ourselves, our neighbors, and passers-through this winter. This is the year to go all out. Even if your home or business is tucked away, the lights will peek through the trees and show all who see the glow that this pandemic couldn't break our holiday spirit! So, dig out those holiday lights, decorations and inflatables, and let's make this the brightest holiday season ever!



Got a Minute? Take Our Survey

Help Us Enhance Baxter's Educational Resources

What would you like to find when you walk into your library? Are there things that would make BML more appealing to your family? We're all ears! Recently, the library received a grant to update and enhance our collection of educational materials, programs and other resources. While a portion of the grant has allowed for the purchase of lots of new nonfiction children's books, the remaining funds are to be spent however the community would find most helpful. So, tell us what you'd like to see at your library! Survey link: tinyurl.com/2p8bszpz



Annual Giving Campaign

You Can Make a Difference

2021 has been quite the year, hasn't it? And on the heels of 2020, no less! Thank goodness the library has been here through it all. Baxter Memorial Library is a unique and incredible place that serves EVERYONE – young and old, rich and poor, regardless of race, gender, religion, or political affiliation – providing free access to almost limitless knowledge. We're so happy we've been able to keep our doors wide open this year! Not only is it delightful to see everyone, but part of the wonder of a library is browsing, being inspired by the shelves, and taking something home you weren't searching for, something that might change your life. We've seen that happen again and again.

Our goal is to continue to be the heart of Sharon, Vermont, but we can't do that without your help. If you'd like to include Baxter Memorial Library in your annual giving, you can read our appeal letter at <https://sharonvtlibrary.com/2021/11/21/bmls-annual-appeal-2021/>

Labor on Location

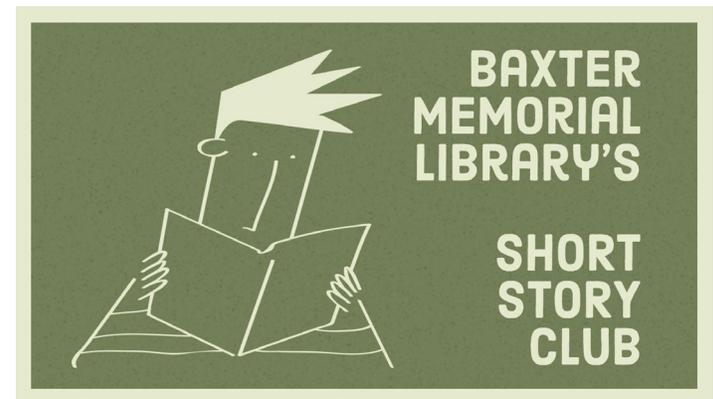
Tuesdays 12-3pm

Looking for employment? Job center specialists from the Vermont Department of Labor will be at the library every Tuesday 12-3pm. They can assist you with your resume, job search, career exploration, and more. (Did you know that resume writing has changed DRAMATICALLY over the last ten years? I didn't. Stop by to find out if your resume is still working for you the way it needs to.)

Thermal Imaging Camera

Button Up Your Home this Winter

Is your home cold or unevenly heated? Stop by to borrow the FLIR thermal imaging camera made available by the Sharon Energy Commission. Many homes have a far higher rate of air leakage than necessary, but the sources of heat loss are often invisible to the naked eye. With thermal imaging, you can easily uncover the source of heat issues and make repairs to stop energy loss.



Short Story Club

No Novels. No Meetings. Just Great Short Stories.

No time for a book club? We've got you covered. Come try Baxter's **Short Story Club!** No novels. No meetings. Just great short stories. December's story is Jhumpa Lahiri's "A Temporary Matter." You can pick up a copy of the story at the library, check out what others thought of it in the SSC binder and add your own reflections.

Interlibrary Loans

The Possibilities Are Endless!

A small library simply can't house everything. That's where interlibrary loans come in! Is there something you're looking for that isn't on Baxter's shelves? As long as it's at least six months old, it's probably available for free through interlibrary loan! Just email your request to sharonbaxterlibrary@gmail.com or call the library at 763-2875, and we'll let you know when it arrives.