From the Tax Collector's Office Senior and Social Services Bentley Memorial Library Recreation Other Events and Information Calendar



After a short hiatus the Bolton Bulletin is back! Keep an eye out for upcoming recreational sports sign-ups, back to school info, library and senior events and events and happenings around town.

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RETIREMENT! – BRUCE AMUNDSEN (HIGHWAY CREWMAN)



Congratulations to Bruce Amundsen, Highway Crewman/Mechanic who retired this past May after 41 years with the Town of Bolton. Your dedicated service to the highway department and the Town of Bolton is greatly appreciated and we will miss you greatly!

WELCOME TO OUR NEW STAFF MEMBERS!



A warm welcome to Jon Treat our new Highway Crewman/Mechanic and Suellen Kamara, Administrative Assistant in the Selectman's Office.

PUBLIC COMMENT BEING ALLOWED ON ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

The Board of Selectmen is in the process of conducting a performance evaluation for the Acting Administrative Officer, Jim Rupert. We would appreciate your genuine, constructive feedback as we evaluate his performance. Your response will not be directly shared with the Acting Administrative Officer, but it will be considered by the Board to inform its own evaluation and to set goals and expectations for the future. Please send your comments to <u>rmorra6201@gmail.com</u> no later than September 1st, 2022.

BOLTON GREATER TOGETHER COMMUNITY FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE GRANT APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

The Bolton Greater Together Community Fund Advisory Committee is pleased to announce an open call for 2022 grant applications. The goal is to award grants that will support programs addressing a need that improves the quality of life for the citizens of the Bolton community.

Additional information about the grant and copies of the grant application can be found at: <u>hfpg.org/boltoncf</u>

Completed applications are due by October 3, 2022.

Grants of up to \$10,000 are available for non-profit organizations that serve the citizens of Bolton. Groups of citizens may also partner with non-profit organizations.

This is the second year that the Bolton Greater Together Community Fund Advisory Committee is reviewing applications. Bentley Memorial Library, Bolton Scholarship Fund, and Bolton Senior Center were among the 2021 recipients.

For inquiries on the **Bolton Community Fund,** please contact the **Advisory Committee at** <u>2022.grants@boltongreatertogether.org</u>

For inquires on the **Hartford Foundation Greater Together Community Funds**: Chris Senecal, Senior Public Policy and Media Relations Officer, <u>csenecal@hfpg.org</u>

NEWS FROM THE TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE - 08-11-22

TAX BILL LOOKUP AND PAYMENT LINK

860-649-8066 x6101

Email us at <u>taxcollector@boltonct.org</u>

Please see below for frequently asked questions and the best ways to pay your tax bill.

Real Estate and Personal Property Tax bills were sent out using a temporary mill rate on July 1st. A supplemental tax to these bill will be mailed out by October 1st, 2022 and are to be paid or postmarked by November 1st, 2022 to avoid interest.

Unpaid motor vehicle bills will be flagged with the DMV, so if you need to register your vehicle all tax bills in the name(s) of the registrant will need to be paid. Payment must be in the form of cash or money order if an immediate release is needed. Immediate release is a convenience to the taxpayer and MAY NOT be able to be done. Please make sure your payment is made 2 weeks before you need to register your vehicle for it to automatically be taken off. You can go to the DMV online services to check compliance issues BEFORE going to the DMV to make sure all is clear beforehand.

Motor Vehicles in which the registration expired before Oct. 1, 2021 and was not renewed until after that date will receive a tax bill in January 2023.

If you did not receive a tax bill please check online through the TAX BILL LOOKUP or call our office.

Failure to receive a tax bill does not invalidate the tax or any interest charged should the tax become delinquent.

Payment Options:

Option 1: Online- Save time and pay from home and receive your receipt of payment directly to your email.

You may pay by credit card or electronic check over the internet. A nominal fee will be charged by our vendor, Invoice Cloud and is non-refundable 2.95% for credit cards & \$0.95 for an electronic check using your routing and account #'s.

Credit Card/Debit Cards are not taken in the Tax Collector's Office.

Online payments will take 3-5 business days to process. The account will not show as paid online until after this processing time. Please make sure you receive a confirmation to your email that shows your payment is starting to process.

Please make sure you enter the correct account number and routing number so that the transaction does not get returned. Additional fees will be added to any payment that is returned unpaid.

View and/or pay your taxes using this link: TAX BILL LOOKUP AND PAYMENT LINK

Option 2: In person in the lower level of Town Hall, 222 Bolton Center Rd

Please go to the tax collector's door to the left of Town Hall.

Please add your phone number to your check so if there are any problems we can get in touch with you quickly.

Credit and Debit Cards are not taken in the office only online.

TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM, Tuesday 8:30 AM – 6:30 PM and Friday 8:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Option 3: Drop Slot

A drop slot is located to the side of the Tax Collector's door at Town Hall for tax payments.

Please enclose payment in a sealed envelope addressed to the Tax Collector's office.

Please put the best phone number to get in touch with you either on your check or the envelope.

DO NOT PUT PAYMENTS IN THE TOWN MAILBOX.

Option 4: By Mail

Please make checks payable to: Tax Collector, Town of Bolton.

*please add your phone number to your check so if there are any problems we can get in touch with you quickly.

> Mail tax payments to: Tax Collector 222 Bolton Center Rd. Bolton, CT 06043

If a receipt is desired please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope along with a request for a receipt.

Additional information and Frequently Asked Questions can be found on our website under Tax Collector's Department. The link is <u>https://town.boltonct.org/departments/tax-collector/faqs</u>

SENIOR & SOCIAL SERVICES

All Special Events Require Registration. Call or RSVP with Office Staff.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS



Bolton Food Pantry Needs We recognize that prices are soaring. The Bolton Food Pantry's shelves are low and this impacts the Bolton residents most in need.

Please consider donating any of the following most needed items: Food: tuna fish, canned chicken/meats, canned spaghetti/ravioli, crackers, snacks, juice, baking items such as oil/sugar, condiments, salad dressing.

Toiletries: shampoo, conditioner, deodorant. Paper goods: paper towels, napkins, tissues.

Cleaners: laundry detergent, dish soap, household cleaners.

We currently have a lot of canned vegetables, beans, bags/boxes of rice, toilet paper, bar soap and toothpaste, so please skip these items at the moment.

Thank you for helping our neighbors in need!

AUGUST BBQ Thursday, August 25, 12:00 P.M.



Join us Thursday, August 25th at 12:00 p.m. for the Bolton Senior Inc. annual BBQ. Enjoy pulled chicken, beef brisket and lots of sides, catered by Little Taste of Texas. RSVP required by Thursday, August 18. \$15 per person, cash or check payable to Bolton Senior Inc.

LIBRARY DISPLAY CASE

Check out the Bolton Senior & Social Services display case at the Bentley Memorial Library for the month of August. Learn about Town Social Services, the Bolton Food Pantry and other partner organizations like MACC and Mobile Foodshare.

BENTLEY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Monday - Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Library Programs

To register, call 860-646-7349 or email <u>bmlprograms@biblio.org</u>. The following programs are free of charge and open to residents and nonresidents.

THE LIBRARY IS CLOSED ON SATURDAYS DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST.

HOLIDAY CLOSING

The library will be closed Saturday, September 3 and Monday September 5 for Labor Day. 988 * NEW SUICIDE PREVENTION NATIONAL HOTLINE PHONE NUMBER



People experiencing a mental health crisis can now call or text a three-digit number, **988**, to reach the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. The new 988 hotline launched on July 16, 2022. It provides 24/7 free and confidential emotional support from mental health professionals trained to respond to such emergencies.

BOOK WISH CORNER



This month, the library is looking for recently released books in excellent condition. If you have any you are willing to donate, we would be grateful. If you know you will be donating an item, please let us know so we do not order a copy. Thank you, we appreciate your support!

Libraries Love Lakes

Monday, August 15, 6:00 P.M.



Want to learn about how we study lakes and how to protect them? Come join research scientist Kendra Kilson of Northeast Aquatic Research, LLC. Kendra will bring and explain how pieces of scientific equipment work and will offer hands-on activities about water quality and how to care for lakes. Families, children, and adults are all welcome.

COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINIC AT THE BENTLEY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Wednesday, August 17, 5:00 - 7:00 P.M.



Provider: Eastern Highlands Health District
When: August 17, 2022
Time: 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Where: Bentley Memorial Library 206 Bolton Center Road, Bolton, CT

Vaccine Types: Pfizer (5 yrs +) Moderna (12 yrs +) Novavax (18 yr +, primary series only)

- Please bring your vaccination card showing previous doses
- Walk-ins are welcome or make appointments at <u>www.vams.cdc.gov</u>

For questions regarding clinic please call EHHD at 860-429-3325

SUBMARINE SERENADE...A MUSICAL ADVENTURE UNDER THE SEA Thursday, August 18, 6:16 P.M. - 7:15 P.M.



Join us for a musical ocean adventure teeming with songs, movement & fun. Children and their families learn ocean facts as they sing about the ocean, dance with jellyfish, tap boom whacker periscopes, shake ocean shakers, float with bubbles, and so much more! If weather permits, part of the program will be outside on the library lawn. **Registration is**

required and space is limited.

SUMMER STARS

Thursday, August 25, 6:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.



Join us for a short tour of the summer night sky using the Stellarium star chart. Bolton resident John Hambrook will be our guide as we discover the planets and constellations visible this time of year. Limited spaces are available each week.

BOOK FOR LUNCH

Tuesday, August 30, 12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.



This discussion group will meet inside the library. Bring a bagged lunch to enjoy as we discuss this month's book selection. Top it off with complimentary dessert. Copies of the book are available at the library. Request your copy when registering.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

BOLTON RECREATION DEPARTMENT SURVEY

"It is the mission of the Bolton Recreation Department to enrich the life of the community as a whole by creating recreational opportunities for growth and enhancement to promote citizen involvement and striving to increase social, cultural and physical well-being of all ages. Recreation opportunities are an important aspect of a well-balanced life style in the Bolton community, and the Recreation Department offers programs that benefit both residents and nonresidents of Bolton.

We would appreciated you taking a moment to fill out the following questionnaire. It will assist us in bringing the community programs in which are enjoyable!"

Survey link: https://forms.gle/bSfcf8vUWdL7RW889

CHALLENGER SPORTS



Who: Ages 2-5
Where: Herrick Park Soccer Fields, 29 Hebron Rd Bolton CT 06043
When: Sundays September 11—October 16
Ages 2-3 10:00am-10:45am,
Ages 4-5 11:00am-11:45pm
Cost: \$115.00

TinyTykes is an exciting child development program delivered through soccer. Our soccer and child development professionals have designed an innovative curriculum that takes children on 'Immersive Interactive Adventures' through fun and exciting themes. It is through these semi-structured adventures that every child has the ability to build their own experiences and be introduced to the basic skills needed in soccer; motor, social, and psychological skills.

Your children are entertained and enthused to return each week so come and join Lenny the Lion on our Cubs or Lions Program and start your adventure today. Includes access to a virtual coaching world courtesy of Challenger Virtual, motivating players to practice more at home before, during and after their program on the field!

Register <u>HERE</u>

Challenger Sports- Tiny Tykes Multi Sports

Who: Ages 2-4
Where: Herrick Park Soccer Fields, 29 Hebron Rd Bolton CT 06043
When: Wednesdays September 14- October 5
Ages 2-3 9:30am-10:15am,
Ages 4-5 10:30am-11:15pm
Cost: \$90.00
Cub's classes will focus on children learning and developing basic fundamental movement skills such as agility, coordination, balance, jumping and throwing, along with increasing their confidence and social skills in a fun and relaxed environment.

These basic skills provide the building blocks for future success and will be developed throughout the duration of the program. Parent Participation (where possible) at this age group is preferable.

The parents get to work directly with their children, sharing success, learning new skills and building confidence.

Register <u>HERE</u>

CHILD AND BABYSITTER SAFETY



When: Saturday September 24, 2022 1:00pm—6:00pm Where: Herrick Park, 29 Hebron Road, Bolton CT 060043 Who: Ages 11-17

Cost: \$100.00

Courses taught by Life Safe Services Professionals

This course is for youth's age 11 to 17 years of age with the most common age of 12 - 14. This is an entry level course intended to teach age appropriate skills necessary to care for children of all ages using team babysitting, mother's helper and individual babysitting concepts. The course focuses on safety with emphasis on prevention. Other topics include hand washing, diapering, bottle feeding, and personal safety and interview skills. Basic first aid and obstructed airway management for conscious choking adult/child and infant will be covered. First Aid including adult and child CPR (requires passing written and skills testing to receive 2 year certification). Booklet, handouts and Babysitter Safety Certificate of completion included.

Register <u>HERE</u>

OTHER EVENTS AND INFORMATION

BOLTON MOBILE FOODSHARE



The Bolton Mobile Foodshare will be held from 10:00 to 10:30 AM at St. George's Episcopal Church, 1150 Boston Turnpike, Bolton, CT. This is an outdoor food distribution that assists families in need. Upcoming Dates:

Tuesday, August 16 and 30 Tuesday, September 13 and 27 Tuesday, October 11 and 25

2021-2022 Conservation Commission Photo Contest Results



CALENDAR

Aug	15 th	Diversity Commission 7:00 p.m.
	17^{th}	BOS Facilities & Public Safety 2:15 p.m.
	17^{th}	BOS Special Meeting A/P 3:00 p.m.
	18^{th}	Board of Finance 7:15 p.m.
	20 th	Recycle/Transfer Station OPEN - 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
	22 nd	Fire Commission 7:00 p.m.
	23 rd	Inland Wetlands Commission 7:00 p.m.
	27 th	RIMACONN RELAY - Expect Some Road Delays Through Out the Day
Sept.	1^{st}	Conservation Commission 7:00 p.m.
	5 th	Labor Day- All Town Offices and Bentley Library will be CLOSED
		Trash and Recycle will be DELAYED One Day Starting Sept 5th.
	6 th	Heritage Farm Commission 7:00 p.m.
	6 th	Branding Committee 6:00 p.m.
	6 th	Board of Selectmen 7:00 p.m.
	10 th	Recycle/Transfer Station OPEN - 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
	$11^{ ext{th}}$	9-11 Ceremony (Bolton Fire Dept.) 11:30 a.m.
	12^{th}	Heritage Farm Commission 7:00 p.m.
	13^{th}	Senior Citizen Commission 1:00 p.m.
	13^{th}	Bentley Memorial Library Board 4:00 p.m.
	13 th	Board of Assessment Appeals 6:00 p.m.
	13 th	Temporary Building Committee 7:00 p.m.
	13 th	Zoning Board of Appeals 7:00 p.m.
	14^{th}	Board of Assessment Appeals 6:00 p.m.
	14^{th}	Planning & Zoning Commission & Public Hearing 7:30 p.m.
	15 th	Board of Finance 7:15 p.m.
	17 th	Recycle/Transfer Station OPEN - 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
	19 th	Board of Assessment Appeals 6:00 p.m.
	20 th	Diversity Commission 7:00 p.m.
	26 th	Fire Commission 7:00 p.m.
	27 th	Inland Wetlands Commission 7:00 p.m.

All agendas and minutes are posted on the Town's website at: <u>http://town.boltonct.org</u>