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COVID TEST KIT DISTRIBUTION (For Bolton Residents Only)

Bentley Memorial Library 206 Bolton Center Road, Bolton

Saturday, March 5th (11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.)

*Proof of Residency Required **Distribution while supplies last ***One test kit per household

For more information contact the Bentley Memorial Library 860-646-7349

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING Monday, March 7, 2022 – TOWN HALL – 6:30 p.m.



Please come see the most recent plans to create a country gravel walking/bike-pathway in your neighborhood, along the North side of Bolton Center Road from the Firehouse to the Town Hall. This is a proposed road safety project, enclosing the deep culvert on that side of the road in combination with a pathway above. If you are unable to attend and would

like the plans emailed to you, please contact Gary Silver at gsilver@boltonct.org.

NEWS FROM THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

ELDERLY AND TOTALLY DISABLED TAX RELIEF

Elderly and totally disabled tax relief program applications must be filed with the Assessor's Office between February 1 and May 13, 2022.

The State of Connecticut Program, and a matching local program, are available to residents of Bolton who:

 \cdot Have attained the age of 65 on or before December 31, 2019 or be totally disabled as defined by Social Security guidelines.

 \cdot Reside at the property for a minimum of 6 months plus one day. Only a primary residence is eligible for the program.

 \cdot Received a total income not exceeding \$38,100 for a single person or \$46,400 for a married couple last year. This includes taxable as well as nontaxable income.

The programs allow a credit on the July tax bill.

Those persons who are already on the programs but are due to renew this year will be mailed reminders that they must refile.

Applications can be filed at the Assessor's Office, Town Hall, 222 Bolton Center Rd., during Town Hall hours.

Proof of income, including Social Security 1099 forms are required; if an income tax return is filed or will be filed, a copy must be presented.

Income based programs allowing increased exemption benefits are also available to veterans and applications for eligible taxpayers will be taken at the same time as the elderly relief programs.

NOTE:

A new local option program has been implemented, in addition to the above programs. The new program allows an eligible person to "freeze" their property taxes at last year's amount, but income (married must be less than \$75,000; single must be less than \$50,000) and age (over 70 years of age) limits apply, and a lien is placed on the property by the Town in the amount of the abated taxes.

If you have any questions concerning these programs, please call the Assessor's Office at 860-649-8066, ext. 6100.

NEWS FROM THE TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE - 03-01-22

Online Payments and payment history lookup-

860-649-8066 x6101

Email us at taxcollector@boltonct.org

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

Finding out what you paid in calendar year 2021 is as easy as going online using the link above. Search your name (last name (space) first initial) click the IRS Button IRS Payment Records for Year 2021. On the blue tab above your accounts click again on IRS and then click on View IRS. It will come up with a printable statement with your account information. You will need to put the first initial in separate for each person you are looking for.

Delinquent Motor Vehicle bills have been reported to the DMV and it will be necessary to have all accounts paid to be able to register a vehicle. Please make sure you pay your taxes at least 2 weeks before you need to register your vehicle to make sure you have no compliance issues. You can check DMV's online services under compliance issues to ensure you are clear before you go to DMV. If you need clearance before the 2 week period of time then you will need to make your payment online with a credit card or in the Tax Collector's office with cash, money order, or certified check as well as let me know that clearance is needed, so that I can do a manual take off for you.

An online payment does not automatically release a DMV hold at the time of payment.

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.

Online payments will take 3-5 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: <u>Online Tax Payments</u>.

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. Press the button to the left of the door to be let in.

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

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

COVID Guidelines are ever changing and we will continue following all recommended guidelines from the state, OEC, CDC, and the health district. This will include however may not be limited to mask wearing, social distancing. These will be followed by everyone at ALL in person programs AND events! ****Any programs and all facilities may close with or without notice depending on COVID infection rates and community transmission****

BLOOMIN' 4 GOOD



Purchase specially marked bouquets at Manchester Stop N Shop (Broad Street) in March and both will benefit the Bolton Food Pantry!

AGING IN PLACE RESOURCES



Join our partner, UR Community Cares President and Co-founder Michelle Puzzo, for a presentation about Aging in Place Resources. Michelle is a Physical Therapist and has many resources, including for low vision and hearing deficits. Michelle will also discuss Bolton's partnership with UR

Community Cares and how you can get involved as a participating Community Member or as a Volunteer. Join us Tuesday, March 8 at 10 a.m. RSVP by March 7 - 860-647-9196.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION



Pick out some green and join us on Thursday, March 24 at 12 p.m. We will be offering a traditional corn beef dinner and a second option (TBA). \$10 per person. RSVP due March 16. 860-647-9196.

BOCCE



Spring is here, let's get outside and get on the Bocce courts! Join us for Thursday, March 31, April 14 and April 28 at 2 p.m. (weather permitting). Sign up ahead of time so we can create teams or come as a spectator. 860-647-9196.

PAINT NIGHT



Special Evening Event! Paint your own Springtime Stream! Lindsey's Craft Studio will guide us on Wednesday, April 13 at 6:30 p.m. Transportation is available. RSVP due March 25. \$10 per person. 860-647-9196.

TOWN LEADERS COFFEE HOUSE



Join First Selectmen Pam Sawyer and Interim Town Administrator Jim Rupert on Tuesday, April 19 at 9:30 a.m. Come to chat over a cup of coffee. They will be able to discuss the upcoming budget and any other questions or concerns you would like to discuss. RSVP by April 12. 860-

647-9196.

BENTLEY MEMORIAL LIBRARY Bentley Memorial Library is OPEN to the public.

Hours Monday - Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 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.

COVID-19 BOOSTER CLINIC - AGES 12 AND UP Bentley Memorial Library, 206 Bolton Center Road



Tuesday March 22nd, 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.

To book an appointment, register for the type of booster you plan to receive: for Pfizer boosters <u>click here</u> and for Moderna boosters <u>click</u>

<u>here</u>. You may also access these links through the Town calendar at <u>town.boltonct.org/calendar</u>. Click on March 22 and then on the link for the booster you plan to receive. Remember to bring your ID, insurance card, and vaccination card to your appointment.

TWEEN CRAFTING - PAPER BAG STARS

Saturday, March 12th 11:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.



Join us **in person** to create a paper bag star. Choose from brown, white, or a combination of the two. Registration is required. Space is limited to 8 people.

IN-PERSON PRESCHOOL STORYTIME – CELEBRATE ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Wednesday, March 16th 11:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.



Join us for an in-person storytime for children ages two to six. We will feature St. Patrick's Day books and have a craft activity. Registration is required. Welcome back!

Reading Hall of Fame

Bentley Memorial Library supports the BCS Reading Hall of Fame program which runs March 2 - April 8 for grades PreK - 8. We have featured book displays supporting the required categories. Stop by the library to check out all the reading material you need to complete your reading records.

ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION SERIES - March Adult Book Discussion

Thursday, March 31, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

"Another Place and Time," a Five-Part Book Discussion Series

Join us for any or all discussions.



The Forgotten Room" by Karen White, Beatriz Williams, and Lauren Willig

Save the date for the remaining discussions in our series. April 28 - "I'll Be Seeing You" (reissued as "Home Front Girls") by Suzanne Hayes & Loretta Nyhan

May 19 - "Meet Me in Monaco" by Hazel Gaynor and Heather Webb. With author visit by Heather Webb.

Join us for any or all of our four-part book discussion series, "Another Place and Time."

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

12[™] ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT Saturday, April 9, 2022



12:00pm @ Herrick Park; 29 Hebron rd., Bolton CT 06043

All Ages are welcome and separated into three different sections of the field to hunt for eggs.

Ages 3 and under, Ages 4-7, Ages 8+

The eggs are filled with candy and toys. Allergies are taken into account, however we ask that you check your child's candy before eating it. Music, Games, and scavenger hunts will be available for all to enjoy prior to the egg hunt!

Parents are required to stay at the park with their child for the entirety of the event!

In case of inclement weather, egg hunt will take place inside of the building at Herrick Park instead with the egg hunt beginning at 12:00pm, one age group at a time. Times for age ranges will be posted on town website.

Join the Bolton Fire Department Women's Auxiliary for their annual Bunny Breakfast before the Egg Hunt. This event is held at the Bolton Volunteer Fire Department and runs from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m.

EIGHTH ANNUAL TOWN WIDE TAG SALE Saturday, May 7, 2022



Do you have an excess of clothing, shoes, handbags, jewelry, furniture, and/or toys that are not being used, but rather are taking up space in your garage, basement and closets?

Saturday May 7, 2022 LOCATION: YOUR YARD TIME: 8am to 3pm FEE: \$20

Bolton Recreation will do the advertising for you, and your contributions will help benefit recreation programs such as the egg hunt, summer concert series, afterschool programs, summer camps and more. Each participating home will receive a road sign and a stack of tag sale maps, electronic copy of sign can be emailed for you to share online as well. Reach more people and join your neighbors for a fun day!

Check out Coventry's Tag Sale on the same day- More information to come soon!

Register your tag sale NO LATER THAN Monday April 18, 2022

This give us adequate time to compile the list of tag sales, and set up a time with you to pick up your sign contactless! **Interested in having a tag sale?** Register online today <u>HERE.</u>

SPRING BREAK CAMP



When: Monday April 11- Thursday April 14 Time: 9:30am-3:30pm, AM Care 7:30am-9:30am, PM Care 3:30pm-5:30pm Ages: 3-12 Cost: \$130, Add-ons: AM Care- \$20, PM care- \$20, AM/PM Care- \$40 Where: Herrick park, 29 Hebron Rd, Bolton, CT 06043

Join the Bolton Recreation Department during your Spring break for a week of fun and games! During the week, participants will spend time participating in indoor and outdoor activities, creating colorful crafts, and examining what spring has to offer with their friends! There will be a field trip to go bowling on Wednesday April 13!

Each day is filled with fun and creativity as they get to interact with their peers and the counselors. Daily participants should bring with them snacks, a lunch, a refillable water bottle, and the appropriate outdoor and indoor clothes. Registration can be done online HERE Registration is due 4/4/2022

TABLE TOP EDIBLE ARTS AFTERSHCOOL WITH ARTS IN CT



When: Wednesdays starting April 20-May 25 Time: 3:15pm-4:15pm Where: Bolton Center School All-purpose room Who: Ages 8+ Cost: \$180

Learn fun, delicious and creative ways to come home from school and make fun artistic treats. From fruits, baked goods to sauces, we teach them all!

Registration can be done online <u>HERE</u>

Registration is due 4/5/2022

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, March 15 and 29

BOLTON CENTER SCHOOL 2022 - 2023 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION



Bolton Center School will hold Kindergarten Registration for the 2022-2023 school year from February 1, 2022 to March 31, 2022. Due to COVID restrictions, registration will not be in person so please refer to Bolton

Center School's web-site (www.boltonpublicschools.com) for registration forms and instructions or call 860-643-2411 and speak with Judy Ramsdell.

Children <u>must be</u> 5 years old on or before January 1, 2023 to be eligible. When submitting your registration documents via email (<u>jramsdell@boltonct.org</u>), fax (860-646-4860) or mail (108 Notch Road, Bolton, CT 06040) please include the following:

- Child's Birth Certificate or Baptismal Certificate;
- Proof of parent's residency in Bolton (Please refer to the **Bolton Residency Requirements** under the registration page); and
- Current child's immunization and physical information.



BOLTON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH CORNED BEEF DINNER TAKE OUT ONLY MARCH 19TH CURBSIDE PICK UP 5:00PM to 7:00PM \$16.00 PER DINNER DINNER INCLUDES: CORNED BEEF, CABBAGE , POTATOES, CARROTS, IRISH SODA BREAD AND DESSERT IF INTERESTED CALL TO RESERVE A DINNER/TICKET STEVE WIERZBICKI 860-808-9162 OR

STEVE WIERZBICKI 860-808-9162 OR LAUREEN MAINVILLE 860-836-7514 You can also go to www.boltonucc.org and order them online



ANNUAL BUNNY BREAKFAST Saturday, April 9th



This year it will be held in the firehouse bays to allow for more space for everyone.

Where: Bolton Fire House 168 Bolton Center Rd.

When: Saturday, April 9th 8:30-11:00 AM

Come and enjoy pancakes, sausage, coffee, and juice.

Adults are \$8

Children 10 and under are \$5

Under 2 are free

All proceeds go to supporting the Bolton Volunteer Fire Department.

ART SHOW FOR ALL BOLTON ARTISTS, 18 YEARS AND OLDER



It is time to get out your brushes, paints, pens and ink, or whatever your 2-dimensional medium is because the annual art show is coming back. Sponsored by the Bolton Land Trust, the show will be held Friday, May 13th, Saturday, May 14th, and Sunday, May 15th at the beautiful Early

New England Homes, 26 West St, Rte 85, Bolton, CT. Opening night is from 5 pm to 8 pm on Friday and there will be live music and refreshments. Saturday hours will be from 10 am to 5 pm, and Sunday hours will be from 10 am to 4 pm. Observe Bolton artists working and demonstrating their art styles. There will be a silent auction and a chance to meet the artists. We are excited about bringing the art show back as it is a special social event for Bolton. This is a good chance to run into old friends once again. There is no admission charge and all are welcome.

Applications may be picked up at the Town Hall, the Bolton Library, the Senior Center, and/or by contacting Bonnie Massey at 860-646-0080.

BOLTON ROAD RACE Sunday, March 13th



The Bolton Road Race will take place Sunday, March 13, 2022 at 1 p.m. Roads will be closed for runners (time of closure and reopening will vary by road) and police/fire will re-open roads once runners' have passed and it is safe to do so.

CALENDAR

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MARCH	7 th	Conservation Commission 7:00 p.m.
	7th	PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING ON CONNECTIVITY TRAIL 6:30 p.m. (Town Hall)
	8 th	Bentley Memorial Library Board 4:00 p.m.
	8 th	Zoning Board of Appeals 7:00 p.m.
	10 th	Board of Education 6:30 p.m.
	15 th	Diversity Commission 7:00 p.m.
	17 th	Board of Finance 7:15 p.m.
	22 nd	Board of Finance Special Meeting- Budget Deliberations 7:15 p.m.
	22 nd	Inland Wetlands Commission 7:00 p.m.
	24 th	Board of Finance Special Meeting- Budget Deliberations 7:15 p.m.
	28 th	Fire Commission 7:00 p.m.
	29 th	Board of Finance Special Meeting- Budget Deliberations 7:15 p.m.
	31 st	Board of Finance Special Meeting- Budget Deliberations 7:15 p.m.

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