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COVID-19 BOOSTER CLINIC AT BENTLEY – MODERNA & PFIZER BOOSTERS ONLY. \*\*NEW TIME\*\* THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup> 2:00 P.M. TO 4:00 P.M.



Due to popular demand, Hartford HealthCare staff is returning to Bentley. The clinic is **walk-ins only**. The 40 available spots will be filled on a first-come-first-served basis. Remember to bring your ID, insurance card, and vaccination card. To ensure you are eligible to receive a booster, visit the

Hartford HealthCare website.

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### **FUN HOLIDAY PROGRAMS**

These joint programs are offered by Bentley Memorial Library, Bolton Recreation Department and Bolton Senior and Social Services. Residents and non-residents are welcome to join the programs. To register, call the library at 860-646-7349 or email <a href="mailto:bmlprograms@biblio.org">bmlprograms@biblio.org</a>.

### BURLAP WREATH AND BOW MAKING

Thursday, Dec. 2 at 6:30

Join us on Zoom as Lindsey Hottin from Lindsey's Craft Studio teaches us how to create a burlap wreath and tie a beautiful bow. We will provide a kit including the metal frame, burlap and ribbon. You provide additional decorations you would like to add, if any Kits will be available November 29 - December 2 at Bentley Memorial Library. Pegister by November 24.



MEET MRS. CLAUS & HER ELF FRIENDS FOR A FUN-FILLED NIGHT! Monday, Dec. 20 at 6:30 p.m.

Join us on Zoom for a virtual storytime, sing-along, AND Q&A time! Kids can ask Mrs. Claus and the elves questions about the North Pole, Santa, or anything that comes to mind. When Mrs. Claus and her friends head back to the North Pole, stay with us for a craft project.

### NEWS FROM THE TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

Tax Bill Look Up and Payment Link - 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.

Tax/Assessor's office will be closed from Monday - Thursday from 12-1 pm

The increase of .57 mills from our approved budget has been added to what is currently due.

This supplemental tax amount will due in January of 2022. If you wish however to pay it in this calendar year you can find these amounts on our website at the above link. There will be a mailed bill in January, 2022 for any that remain unpaid at that time. They will not become delinquent until after February 1, 2022.

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 at the office with cash or money order as well as let me know that clearance is needed.

Paying online is not immediate and will take 3-5 days to process and post to your account.

Motor Vehicles in which the registration expired before Oct. 1, 2020 and was not renewed until after that date will receive a tax bill in January 2022.

### **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.

You can view and/or pay your taxes right from our website which is: <a href="https://www.mytaxbill.org/inet/bill/home.do?town=bolton">https://www.mytaxbill.org/inet/bill/home.do?town=bolton</a>.

Option 2: In person in the lower level of Town Hall, 222 Bolton Center Rd Please add your phone number to your check so if there are any problems we can get in touch with you quickly.

### TAX 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

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. You will need to wear a mask. Please be patient as we can only allow 2 people in at a time.

### **Option 3: Drop Slot**

A drop slot to the side of the tax collector's door at Town Hall is encouraged to be used for payments. Please enclose payment in a sealed envelope addressed to the Tax Collector's office. Also, 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 <a href="https://bolton.govoffice.com/index.asp?SEC=4427ADC5-C1AE-4022-B01B-37CBC4A44441&Type=B">https://bolton.govoffice.com/index.asp?SEC=4427ADC5-C1AE-4022-B01B-37CBC4A44441&Type=B</a>.

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\*\*\*\*

#### **VETERANS DAY**



We will gather to honor our Veterans on Thursday, November 18. Lunch will be served at 12 p.m., followed by a program featuring guest speaker Gerry Wright. The luncheon is sponsored by Seniors Inc. RSVP required by Friday, November 12. All are welcome but please specify if you served

in the armed forces.

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#### PEARL HARBOR



"December 7, 1941 – a date which will live in infamy." –FDR. As we mark the  $80^{\text{th}}$  Anniversary of a historical day, let's learn more about what happened and how it impacted world events. A few people may even have memories of that day. Join us for guest speaker MaryAnn Handley on

Tuesday, December 7 at 10:30 a.m. RSVP required by Thursday, December 2.

### **HOLIDAY PARTY**



You are invited to the annual Holiday Party on Thursday, December 9. Join us at A Villa Louisa for a delicious lunch. Cost per person is \$25. This event is sponsored by Seniors Inc. All reservations and payment must be received by Tuesday, November 30. Transportation is limited. For those

joining us there. A Villa Louisa is located at 60 Villa Louisa Road Bolton.

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### **GIVING TREE**



Help Bolton Families have a nicer holiday season! Giving Trees are available at Bolton Senior Center and Bentley Memorial Library. Select an ornament and return it with an unwrapped gift. Gifts are due back to either the Senior Center or the Library by Monday, December 6. Thank you!

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GIVE THE GIFT OF TIME



Like to volunteer? Want something local with a flexible schedule? Help Bolton Seniors with small tasks around the house! Even an hour makes a difference! Find out how to get involved as a volunteer at URCommunityCares.Org or call the Bolton Senior Center (860-647-9196)

for more information.

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#### MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT



Now is the opportunity for Medicare recipients to review current coverage and choose Medicare Part D or Medicare Advantage Plans for 2022. Medicare Open Enrollment ends December 7. Call Bolton Senior Center at 860-647-9196 to schedule an appointment.

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### **ENERGY ASSISTANCE**



Need help paying for your heating and/or electric bills? Bolton residents may apply for the Energy Assistance Program through ACCESS Community Action Agency. Applications can be completed on the phone, in person, or by mail. Call ACCESS at 860-450-7400 to schedule an appointment. Mail

in applications are available at the Senior Center.

NEW this year!

- No asset limits. Energy amount is based on income only.
- Renters with heat included in the rent are eligible with a lease and rent receipt

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# BENTLEY MEMORIAL LIBRARY Bentley Memorial Library is OPEN to the public. Masks are required.

### **November and December Virtual Programs and Events**

The following programs are open to residents and non-residents and are free of charge. To register, call the library at 860-646-7349 or email <a href="mailto:bmlprograms@biblio.org">bmlprograms@biblio.org</a>.

# PAJAMA STORYTIME WITH RILEY AND TAKE & MAKE CRAFT KITS Thursday, November 18, 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. on Zoom



Get cozy in your pajamas then join us on Zoom for autumn stories and a demonstration of our Take & Make craft. We will be joined by Bentley's unofficial mascot, Riley the Golden Retriever. Stop in the library the week of November 15 to pick up your craft kit. This program is ideal for children under age 10, but all are welcome.

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JOIN THE BIG LIBRARY READ "Five Total Strangers" by Natalie D. Richards Zoom Book Discussion - Monday, November 22, 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.



Join thousands of readers around the world in reading this page-turning thriller. It is unpredictable, compelling and will keep you guessing until the very end. Use your library card to login to OverDrive or Libby to borrow an ebook or audiobook from our digital collection. There are no waitlists or holds for this title from November 1 to November 15. Hard copies of the book are available at the library. Request a copy when registering.

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### **BLACK BEARS**

Monday, November 29, at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom



Join Ray Hardy, Bolton resident and DEEP Master Wildlife Conservationist for this Zoom presentation on the natural history of Black Bears in Connecticut. Ray will discuss current findings on population densities as well as means of safely coexisting with these amazing creatures.

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### COMING IN DECEMBER - ADULTING 101 FINANCIAL PROGRAM

This program is designed for high school and college students. Keep an eye on the library website and our newsletter for details!

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# PAJAMA STORYTIME AND A CRAFT Thursday, December 9, from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m.

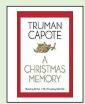


Join us on Zoom for silly winter and holiday stories while snuggled up in your favorite pajamas. After the stories stay for a demonstration of our craft activity. Craft kits are available for pick up at the library December 4 – December 9. This program is ideal for children under age 10, but all are

welcome.

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# ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION ON ZOOM "A Christmas Memory" by Truman Capote Thursday, December 16, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.



With the hustle and bustle of the holiday season, we have selected this classic short story for our December book discussion. This highly acclaimed story will bring you to rural Alabama for traditions and fruitcake during one special holiday between Buddy and his cousin. Request a copy of the book upon registration.

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**2ND ANNUAL - OH SO COZY BLANKET DRIVE December - January** 



Bentley will once again collect NEW, handmade, quilts and crochet, knit and tie blankets. Your wonderful creations will be donated to Holy Family Home Shelter in Willimantic and Cornerstone Shelter in Vernon/ Rockville. Want to learn how to make a tie blanket? Watch our how-to video

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### **RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

2021-2022 YOUTH BASKETBALL INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS - THERE'S STILL TIME TO REGISTER!



Registration can be done online: <a href="https://boltonrec.recdesk.com/">https://boltonrec.recdesk.com/</a>

### Pewee basketball

For ages 2-5 to spend some time on the court! Eight Saturday mornings 8:00am-8:30am at Bolton Center School learning the basic fundamentals of basketball!

Dates: January 8, 22, and 29; February 5, 12, and 26; March 5, 12

Cost: \$35 Registration Deadline: December 30, 2021

### Kindergarten and First Grade

Co-ed teams at an instructional level. Eight Saturday mornings 8:30am-9:15am at Bolton Center School are spent learning the basic fundamentals of basketball! Small teams are formed allowing everyone to shine and receive the appropriate one on one time. Parents are required to stay throughout the program and are encouraged to participate on the gym floor with your child.

Dates: January 8, 22, and 29; February 5, 12, and 26; March 5, 12

Cost: \$55.00 Registration Deadline: December 30, 2021

### Second grade teams

Coed teams that spend eight Saturday mornings 9:15am-10:15am at Bolton Center School getting everyone moving, and preparing for the next level at third grade and having fun learning the basic fundamentals of basketball! Small teams are formed allowing everyone to shine and receive the appropriate one on one time.

Dates: January 8, 22, and 29; February 5, 12, and 26; March 5, 12

Cost: \$65.00 Registration Deadline: December 30, 2021

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Send your letters to Santa with a return address to the Bolton Recreation Department no later than December 13, 2021 to receive a letter back!

Mail letters to-Bolton Recreation Attn: Santa Clause 222 Bolton Center Rd Bolton CT 06043

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#### HOLIDAY LIGHT TOUR HERE IN BOLTON!



Do you decorate the outside of your house for the holidays? Let us know by Thursday December 9 and you can be listed on our map to join in the Holiday Light Tour around town. Join us in giving the families in our community the chance to see your outdoor holiday lights and vote for

their favorite!

To be listed on our map go to https://boltonrec.recdesk.com/ to register your house.

Maps will be available to the public, on the town website starting Monday December 13 and voting will be done online only with a link listed on the map, voting deadline-December 22.

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### HOLIDAY TREEE LIGHTING

Saturday, December 4, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. on the Town Green.

Join the Bolton Recreation Department for an in-person tree lighting on Saturday December 4 from 4-5 pm!



Come pick up yummy hot chocolate and cookie decorating kits, learn how to make a fun Holiday ornament, and hear a story from our local librarian. There will also be an exciting Candy Cane hunt and a visit from Santa himself who will help us light the tree!

Our lovely tree this year has been graciously donated by Dzen Tree Farm!!

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### WINTER BREAK CAMP 2021



When: Monday Dec 27- Thursday Dec 30, 2021

**Time:** 9:30am-3:30pm **AM Care:** 7:30am-9:30am **PM Care:** 3:30pm-5:30pm

**Cost:** \$130

Add-ons: AM Care-\$20, PM care-\$20, AM/PM Care-\$40

Where: Herrick Park Building, 29 Hebron Rd, Bolton, CT 06043

Join the Bolton Recreation Department during your winter break for a week of fun and games! During the week, participants will spend time participating in outdoor activities, creating crafts and doing team building games! 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. If there is snow on the ground, provide your child with snow gear!

Registration can be done online at <a href="https://boltonrec.recdesk.com/">https://boltonrec.recdesk.com/</a> Spaces are limited contact the Recreation Department Today! Registration is due 12/13/2021

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### 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, November 9 & 23, 2021 Tuesday, December 7 & 21, 2021

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# TURKEY AND A THIRTY - CONNECTICUT FOODSHARE DRIVE AT BOLTON CHURCH - SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2021, 9 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M.



St. George's Episcopal Church will hold its 9th annual "Turkey and a Thirty" Connecticut Foodshare collection to benefit families in need on Sunday, November 21, 2021. The collection will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon in the parking lot of St. George's Episcopal Church, 1150 Boston Turnpike, Route 44, Bolton, Connecticut. **Please make checks** 

### payable to Connecticut Foodshare.

Event Coordinator, Beth Michel, said, "This is St. George's 9th year participating in Connecticut Foodshare's Thanksgiving drive. Please stop by to help us make this year's collection especially successful." Visit <a href="https://www.facebook.com/StGeorgesBoltonCT">www.facebook.com/StGeorgesBoltonCT</a> or call 860.643.9203 for further information.

### SANTA BREAKFAST

### Saturday, December 4, 2021, 8:30 am to 11:30 am



Bolton Volunteer Firehouse, 168 Bolton Center Road – this year will held in the bays to allow for more space. Pancakes, sausage, coffee and juice. Adults \$5, Children (10 and under) \$3.

All proceeds go to the Bolton Volunteer Fire Department. Sponsored by the BVFD Women's Auxiliary.

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# STUFF THE CRUISER - SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 10:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M. BOLTON TOWN HALL PARKING LOT



Bolton Resident Troopers will be hosting a "Stuff the Cruiser" toy drive Saturday, December 4TH from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Bolton Town Hall Parking Lot - 222 Bolton Center Road, Bolton.

Donations of new, unwrapped toys for all ages are requested. GIFT CARDS AND CASH WILL BE ACCEPTED- a separate deposit box will be available for these donations. Everyone is invited, donations

are encouraged but not required. All gifts will be distributed by the Connecticut State Police to children at Connecticut Children's Medical Center.

### **CALENDAR**

Nov.	14 <sup>th</sup>	Board of Education - 6:30 p.m.
	16 <sup>TH</sup>	Inland Wetlands Commission - 7:00 p.m.
	17 <sup>th</sup>	Board of Finance - 7:15 p.m.
	20 <sup>TH</sup>	**LAST DAY OF THIS YEAR**
		Recycle/Transfer Station OPEN - 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Fire Commission - 7:00 p.m.
	25 <sup>th</sup> -	ALL TOWN OFFICES & BENTLEY MEMORIAL LIBRARY CLOSED IN
	28 <sup>th</sup>	OBSERVANCE OF THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY
Dec.	4 <sup>TH</sup>	HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS ALL AROUND TOWN ALL DAY -
		SEE ALL EVENTS IN THE BULLETIN ABOVE
	6 <sup>th</sup>	Heritage Farm Commission - 7:00 p.m.
	6 <sup>th</sup>	Conservation Commission - 7:00 p.m.
	7 <sup>th</sup>	Board of Selectmen - 7:00 p.m.
	8 <sup>th</sup>	Planning & Zoning Commission - 7:00 p.m.
	9 <sup>th</sup>	Board of Education - 6:30 p.m.
	13 <sup>th</sup>	Fire Commission - 7:00 p.m.
	14 <sup>th</sup>	Bentley Memorial Library Board
	14 <sup>th</sup>	Zoning Board of Appeals
	21st	Inland Wetlands Commission - 7:
	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Board of Finance -
	24 <sup>th</sup>	ALL TOWN OFFICES & BENTLEY MEMORIAL LIBRARY
		CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
	31 <sup>st</sup>	ALL TOWN OFFICES & BENTLEY MEMORIAL LIBRARY
		CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF THE NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY
<mark>Jan.</mark>	1 <sup>st</sup>	HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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