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WARMING STATIONS AVAILABLE

Warming stations will be open today and Saturday. Senior Center today, January 19, 2024, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bentley Memorial Library Saturday, January 20, 2024, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE!

TAKE YOUR CHILD TO THE LIBRARY DAY SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2024



On the first Saturday, February 3rd, thousands of libraries across the world celebrate Take Your Child to the Library Day. Your local library is an ideal place for children to read, learn, discover, make friends, and have fun. Take Your Child to the Library Day is the perfect time to discover some library magic. From stories to craft programs to amazing books, each library offers something unique and delightful. Come to the Bentley Library for a scavenger hunt, treats and make a

bookmark throughout the day.

CAPITOL REGION COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (CRCOG) 241 Main Street, 4th Floor, Hartford, CT 06106-5310 Phone: (860) 522-2217/Fax: (860) 724-1274/ E-mail: mgoulet@crcog.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

In recent weeks, the Capitol Region in Connecticut has grappled with the aftermath of storms, experiencing snow, flooding, and power outages that underscore the risks posed by natural hazards. For two decades, the region's communities have actively participated in the development and adoption of a natural hazard mitigation plan, with updates implemented every five years. Collaborating once again with the Capitol Region Council of Government (CRCOG), the communities have spent the last eight months updating the plan to address the evolving challenges associated with climate change directly. This initiative will result in the creation of a "Hazard Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Plan (HMCAP)," outlining actionable measures to minimize property and life losses during events such as floods, severe wind events, winter storms, wildfires, droughts, extreme heat events, and earthquakes. Your active involvement in shaping this plan is crucial for fostering a resilient and adaptive Capitol Region.

The hazard mitigation and climate adaptation planning effort is being led by the Connecticut Institute for Resilience and Climate Adaptation (CIRCA), which is located at UConn's Avery Point Campus. CIRCA is also leveraging this update to expand its "Resilient Connecticut" program from a narrow pilot region to the entire state, with a strong focus in the Hartford region.

The Hazard Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Plan for CRCOG will continue to make the region's communities eligible for seeking hazard mitigation assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the State of Connecticut. The plan will also help align the region with new State funding programs that become available in the future.

Public meetings to gather resident input were held in October 2023 and used to inform the draft of the plan. A full draft copy will be available for public review starting from January 22nd, 2024. The comprehensive HMCAP draft can be found on the CRCOG Natural Hazard Mitigation Planning webpage at: https://crcog.org/natural-hazards-mitigation-planning/. A public meeting to present the draft plan will be held virtually on January 22nd, 2024, at https://s.uconn.edu/b6qwiyicdj. The public comment period will close on February 16th, 2024. All edits and input can be sent to

Nicole Govert at CIRCA at nicole.govert@uconn.edu.

Your engagement is instrumental in ensuring a safer and more sustainable future for the CRCOG region.

FROM THE TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

TAX BILL LOOKUP AND PAYMENT LINK
2023 Payment info can be found following the link above

IRS Payment Records for Year 2023 Click before searching your name/names 860-649-8066 x6101

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

Supplemental Motor Vehicle Tax Bills

Supplemental tax bills are due and need to be paid by February 1st to avoid interest. These bills are for all newly registered motor vehicles registered between October 1, 2022, and September 1, 2023, or for vehicles when the registration had lapsed and renewed after October 1, 2022. This tax bill covers the period of time from the month the vehicle was registered until September 30, 2022.

These bills need to be paid or postmarked by February 1, 2024, to avoid interest. Interest accrues at 1.5 % per month starting from the due date January 1, 2024.

If you pay through your banks online pay, please allow them at least a week to process and mail them so that we receive them on time. These checks are usually mailed WITHOUT a postmark and if received after the last day will be considered late.

Please check the link above if you believe you may have a bill or call our office.

Failure to receive a tax bill does not relieve the responsibility of owed taxes and interest.

Delinquent Motor Vehicle bills have been reported to the Department of Motor Vehicles. Please pay your tax bill as soon as possible to avoid having a registration held up.

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 with a credit/debit card online or in the office. Payment can be made with cash or money order in the Tax Collector's Office as well.

Please make us aware you are requesting a release for DMV as it is not immediately taken off.

IS YOUR CAR REGISTERED? Check your cars registration or check on DMV's online services for your registration's status.

Check DMV's online services for registration status and compliance issues here: DMV ONLINE SERVICES

PLEASE BE ADVISED The Town of Bolton is under contract with TaxServ Capital services for the collection of some of the Town's delinquent taxes. If your account was sent to TaxServ, you MUST call them to discuss your account and arrange payment. If you call the Tax Collector/Assessor, we will direct you to Tax Serv for payment.

Reasons why your account(s) may go to collection.

- The amount of tax owed with no consistent payments being made. The tax office takes a lot of time to make sure that delinquent tax bills are mailed out every month to our taxpayers. Please consider making monthly payments when you receive your bill to lower the interest you are paying, making sure you can pay the balance if need be when you have to register, and to avoid your account(s) going to collection.
- If you owe more than 1 year without consistent payments being made.

Taxes should be paid when they are owed, or a payment arrangement made on the account should be made on the account(s) before the registration needs to be renewed or when a registration is needed.

• If you have moved out of state and have not paid your taxes on time. If you receive a bill from us in July that means your vehicles registration(s) were actively registered in Bolton as of October of the previous year. You will be responsible for paying Bolton property tax even if you live in another state. Please make sure you register in your current state and send the Assessor's Office a copy of it, so that we may adjust your bill if needed. It is important to do this as soon as possible because the state statutes only allow the Assessor's 2 years from the Grand List date to make an adjustment on the tax accounts.

There will be additional fees if your account(s) are turned over to collection so please get in touch with the tax office and make a payment if delinquent.

TaxServ Capital Services, LLC can be reached at:

Telephone: 860-724-9100

Fax: 860-727-1080

https://www.taxserv.com

Payment Options:

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

A fee of 2.50% for Credit Cards (with \$2.00 minimum), \$0.95 for E-Checks, and \$3.95 flat fee for Debit Cards will be charged by our vendor, Point and Pay, and is non-refundable.

Payments made this way 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 confirmation of payment in 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>TAX BILL LOOKUP AND PAYMENT LINK</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 the 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 Card and Debit Card payments are now accepted in the office. The same fee applies 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 that we can get in touch with you quickly if needed.

Mail tax payments to: Town of Bolton, 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 the Tax Collector's Department. The link is: https://town.boltonct.org/departments/tax-collector/faqs

FROM THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

LEGAL NOTICE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

Property owners and lessees have the right under Connecticut General Statutes, Sections 12-110, 12-111 and 12-504d to appeal the assessment of motor vehicles, personal property and real estate on the 2023 Grand List. CGS §12-117 requires written appeals to be received by the Board of Assessment Appeals at Town Hall on or before 6:30 pm, Tuesday, February 20, 2024. Appellants will be notified of the time and date in March 2024 when the BAA will hear their appeal. The BAA will meet March 11-15, 2024, and March 16, 2024, in the Bolton Town Hall.

The appeal form <u>must</u> contain the following information: the property owner's name; name and position of the signer; description of the property that is the subject of the appeal; name and mailing address of the party to be sent all correspondence by the BAA, reason for the appeal, appellant's estimate of value and dated signature of the property owner or duly authorized agent of the property owner.

If any of these items are not provided, the Board can decide not to hear an appeal.

Appeal forms are available in the Assessor's Office and online at: https://town.boltonct.org/boards-commissions/board-of-assessment-appeals.

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS Thomas S. Fiorentino - Chair

BENTLEY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Register online, by phone: 860-646-7349, or by email: bmlprograms@biblio.org.

COFFEE FILTER SNOWFLAKE CRAFT

Wednesday, January 24, 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Join us on Wednesday, January 24 from 4–5 p.m. for the chance to create snowflakes made from coffee filters. This event is for patrons in Grades 1-5. **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.**



4TH ANNUAL OH SO COZY BLANKET DRIVE

The library will continue to collect NEW handmade quilts and blankets to benefit the Holy Family Home Shelter in Willimantic. The shelter residents appreciate the skill and time required to create the beautiful handmade quilts and blankets. Drop off your new creations to the library throughout the month of January.



registration needed.

STORYTIME AT THE LIBRARY

Thursday, January 25, 11:30-12:00 Drop-in event

Come and enjoy stories and simple crafts. Feel free to bring your own lunch. Storytime will be held on January 25. No

SENIOR & SOCIAL SERVICES

Registration is required at least one week in advance for these programs. Space is limited. Call 860-647-9196.

DIETICIAN FROM SHOPRITE

Tuesday, January 30 at 10 a.m.

Sarabeth Campanelli, a dietician from ShopRite, will be at the Senior Center on Tuesday, January 30 at 10 a.m. to talk about ways to eat and stay healthy in the new year.





FIRE SAFETY PRESENTATION

Thursday, February 6 at 10 a.m.

Deputy Fire Marshall, Bill Call will be at the Senior Center on Tuesday, February 6 at 10 a.m. to talk about fire safety and answer any questions you may have. He will also discuss how Knox Boxes operate and how a person can receive one.

VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY

Thursday, February 8 at 12 p.m.

Senior Inc. is hosting a party to celebrate all things LOVE on Thursday, February 8 at 12 p.m. at the Senior Center. We will be enjoying food and dessert from Big Y. **Please RSVP by Monday, February 5th.**



RECREATION DEPARTMENT

CHILD AND BABYSITTER SAFETY

Saturday, January 27, 2024, from 1:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.



This entry-level course is intended to teach age-appropriate skills necessary to care for children using team babysitting, mother's helper, and individual babysitting concepts. Focused on safety with an emphasis on prevention, this course is for youths aged 11 to 17 years of age with the most common ages of 12- 14.

Where: 104 Notch Road (Municipal Center - room B)

Who: Ages 11-17 Cost: \$150.00 **REGISTER** HERE.

WINTER AFTERSCHOOL

Wednesdays from 3:15-4:15, January 31 through March 06.



Come join an exciting world of space exploration as you build and take home your very own Solar System Kit! You will assemble your own model, learn all about our planetary neighborhood, and watch the planets move around the sun powered by battery or solar power. Check out our real meteorite fragment samples! Take part in other exciting activities involving physics, air pressure,

and density. REGISTER HERE.

Where: Bolton Center School 7/8th Grade staff room

Who: Ages 6-11 Cost: \$150.00

KIDS NIGHT OUT

February 9, 2024 - Valentine's Day themed (4:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.)



Who: Ages 3 and up (Must be potty trained)

Where: Herrick Park, 29 Hebron Rd Bolton CT 06043

Cost: \$45.00 per night

Second Child discount- \$40.00 per night Contact the Recreation Department to receive discount. **REGISTER HERE.**

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY: FEBRUARY

February 16, 2024- Space Themed from 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.



Join the Bolton Recreation department on select no school professional development days for a day filled with fun and creativity. Each Professional Development Day includes outdoor games and activities, indoor crafts, and a workshop put on by the staff!

REGISTER HERE.

Location: Herrick Park, 29 Hebron Rd. AM Care: 7:30-9:30 | PM Care: 3:30-5:30

Individual Day cost: \$65

Am Care: \$10 add on, PM care- \$10 add on

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, January 30

Tuesdays, February 13 and 27

CALENDAR

January	22	Fire Commission - 7:00 p.m.
	23	Budget Workshop - 6:30 p.m.
	23	Inland Wetlands Commission- 7 p.m.
	25	Finance Committee Special Meeting - 5:00 p.m.
	30	Budget Workshop - 6:30 p.m.
	31	BLRWPCA- 7 p.m.
February	1	Veterans Commission 9:30 a.m.
	1	Budget Workshop 6:30 p.m.
	5	Heritage Farm 6:00 p.m.
	5	Conservation Commission 7:00 p.m.
	6	Board of Selectmen - 7:00 p.m. Town Hall





BPC meets every <u>FIRST</u> Thursday of each month.



Where: Bentley Memorial Library 206 Bolton Center Rd, Bolton, CT 06043

When: 6pm



Change in next month's meeting date 02/08/24- 2nd Thursday (this month only)

boltonpreventioncouncil@gmail.com

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Town-Wide Notification System

In 2014, the Town of Bolton launched a mass notification system to send town-wide notifications and related public service announcements. These notifications may include items such as road closures, power outages, or severe weather updates.

We are currently enhancing and updating the system. These enhancements include the ability to text or call a single number or multiple numbers in your preferred order of priority. Everyone in your household is encouraged to sign up with their personal modes of communication. To be included in the notification system, click the link below to sign up. Be sure to add all methods of communication in priority order to ensure notification of important messages from the Town of Bolton. CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP

Bolton Bulletin

Bi-weekly town newsletter highlighting town events, meetings, and important information. <u>CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP</u>

Additional Mailing Lists

- Sign up for our Senior and/or Social Services' Mailing List(s).
- Sign up for our Recreation Department's Mailing List.
- Sign up For the Bentley Memorial Library's Mailing List.