

BOLTON BULLETIN

MARCH 10, 2023

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BOLTON ROAD RACE - EXPECT ROAD CLOSURES

Saturday, March 12th - 1:00 p.m.



On Sunday, March 12th, 2023 at 1pm, the Bolton Booster Club will be hosting the 45th Annual Bolton Road Race beginning at Bolton High School.

Each year we have 200+ runners and lots of community support who cheer on the runners. We hope that you will come out to run, walk, or welcome the participants and cheer them on this year.

Registration is open until March 11th at noon if you'd like to run or walk.

All proceeds from the race go directly to the Bolton Booster Club, supporting all types of athletic activities in town. Some of the many purchases have included a new golf cart for the athletic department, BCS playground equipment, and new scoreboards. We donated to the Bike Walk Bolton organization to purchase a bike repair station. Annually we have funded multiple scholarships and there have been many more purchases made.

This race is a win-win for Bolton, and we appreciate your support. So come run, walk and support us. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Brian Miller, President - Bolton Booster Club - BMiller0819@gmail.com.

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ASSESSOR

REVALUATION

2023 is a revaluation year for the Town of Bolton. CT General Statute 12-62 requires the revaluation of all real estate in town every five years. The last revaluation in Bolton was for the 10/1/2018 Grand List. The 2023 values will be used to determine taxes payable in the summer of 2024.

The town has contracted with Vision Government Solutions, Inc. (VGSi) in Hudson, Massachusetts, to work with the Assessor's Office on revaluation. Vision data collectors and appraisers will be frequent visitors to town in the over the next year, starting in March 2023.

All Vision employees will be wearing an identification badge and will have written documentation from the town stating their affiliation with the project. Homeowners are encouraged to ask for this identification before answering questions or admitting an inspector to their homes. The Assessor's Office, Town Administrator's Office and State Police will be provided with information on the employees and their vehicles.

There are five major phases to a municipal revaluation: Data Collection, Market Analysis, Valuation, Field Review, and Informal Hearings. For more information [click here](#).

SENIOR & SOCIAL SERVICES

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

CASINO TRIPS



Take a trip to Mohegan Sun Casino on Thursday, March 23 and a special trip to MGM Springfield on Thursday, April 27. The van leaves at 9:15 a.m. \$5 for all passengers; limit 20 participants.

TOWN LEADER COFFEEHOUSE

Tuesday, March 28th - 10 a.m.



Join Town Leaders on Tuesday, March 28 at 10 a.m. Come have a cup of coffee and learn about the proposed town budget. They will answer questions and help you understand the budget process and documents.

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AARP DRIVER SAFETY CLASS

Thursday, March 30th - 10 a.m.



We are hosting the AARP Driver Safety Class on Thursday, March 30 at 9:30 a.m. This is a three hour class designed to remind you of the rules of the road. Many car insurance providers offer a discount for the completion of this course. The cost is \$20 for AARP members and \$25 for non-members. RSVP is required by March 20. Payment is due the date of the class (cash or check payable to AARP).

LUNCH OUT-MAINE SEAFOOD MARKET RESTAURANT

Thursday, April 13th.



We're heading to Maine Seafood Market Restaurant in East Windsor for a lunch out on Thursday, April 13. Van leaves the Senior Center at 11:30 a.m. Limit 20 people.

NEW TO MEDICARE - EVENING PROGRAM

Wednesday, April 19th - 5:00 p.m.



Special Evening Program! Are you new to Medicare or about to be in the next few years? We have many people in town who are close to Medicare eligibility. Learn important details about how to get started, what coverage is needed, and where to look to get personalized recommendations. Join us Wednesday, April 19 at 5 p.m.

TEA TIME

Thursday, April 20th - 12:00 p.m.



We cordially invite you to a tea party, hosted by the Bolton Women's Club Organization. Homemade sandwiches, desserts and other delights will be served on Thursday, April 20 at 12 p.m.

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OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

We are excited to go outside this spring to enjoy the Senior Center backyard. Outdoor activities are weather dependent: cancellation will occur with any precipitation "more than a drizzle" or due to windy conditions. Sign up is required for all participants and you must enter the building to check in before playing. Each game has a minimum of four players with a maximum of eight. Interested in a different time? Call the Senior Center to arrange for the equipment.

BOCCE Come out to the bocce courts every Thursday at 2:30 p.m. starting March 23.

LEARN TO PLAY PICKLEBALL Karen Cordero and Cheryl Udin are teaching a beginner pickle ball class on four Tuesdays: March 21, March 28, April 4 or April 11. Attend one session or all of them to learn the basics. No minimum requirement.

PICKLEBALL OPEN PLAY The pickle ball courts are available for open play on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. starting Tuesday, April 4.

BENTLEY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

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
bmlprograms@biblio.org.

COFFEE AND COLORING WEDNESDAYS

Wednesday, March 15, and April 19, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.



Join us for an hour of coloring and conversation. Relax as you tap into your creative side. Coloring pages and colored pencils will be provided. Coffee and tea will be served. Registration is not required.

MARCH STORYTIMES



Join us for an hour of fun stories, a craft, and a snack. This month, we have three Monday programs from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. on Mar. 13, and Mar. 20 and a Thursday program from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. on Mar. 16. March 16 will feature St. Patrick's Day stories and an Irish treat. **Registration is required.** If you would like to sign up for more than one event, you can include the dates in the comment field and register all at once. Please include your child's name and age in the comment field as well so we can gear the stories and craft to those attending.

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FREE pH SOIL TESTING

Thursday, March 16th - 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.



Tolland County Master Gardeners and Bolton residents Jean Laughman and Leslie Alexander, and Pam Cooper, from the UConn Home and Garden Center, will conduct free soil pH testing and answer your gardening questions. The Master Gardeners will provide basic information and recommendations for gradual correction of soil pH based upon your soil location such as a lawn, vegetable garden, or flower garden. Bring a separate cup of soil in a baggie from each location to be tested. Samples of plant problems are also welcome, e.g. a leaf or stem of an affected plant secured in a baggie or container. Gardening questions will be addressed throughout the evening.

Soil pH testing will be completed while you wait, time permitting. Information on nutrient testing through UConn and overall soil and plant care and maintenance will also be available. **This is a drop-in event, registration is not required.**

INDOOR PLANT, BULB AND SEED SWAP

Saturday, March 18th - 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



The library and Growing Bolton, CT-Zone 6a Facebook group are partnering again. This time, the event will be a houseplant, bulb, and seed swap. Don't want a plant? Stop by and chat with your fellow neighbors about what they have "growing" on. **Registration is not required.**

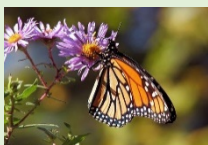
Indoor Plants - bring either a clipping that has been started, or a house plant, pest free. Please consider donating a plant to the 'general area'. Remember to use containers you are willing to part with. If you don't have plants to swap, feel free to come and pick up a plant (based on availability) from the 'general area.'

Seeds - we are creating a seed catalogue. Bring your extra seeds to start the catalogue or pick some up to get started on your garden.

ADDED BONUS! There will be a 'Propagation Station' where Bolton's own green thumb Erin Anderson (who has over 300 house plants!) will be available to answer questions you have on propagation and care for your house plants.

GOOD PRACTICES TO ENCOURAGE POLLINATORS

Thursday, March 23rd - 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.



Jean Laughman, Master Gardener and Bolton resident, will share the best ways to make a pollinator garden. Jean will cover the types of plants that attract pollinators and the conditions needed to grow them. Discover the wide variety of pollinators in our area - it's more than bees and butterflies. These helpful creatures are essential to our food supply. We can't even have chocolate without pollinators! Join us for this engaging and informative discussion. **[Register here.](#)**

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READ TO THE DOGS

Saturday, March 25th - 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.



Reading to a dog helps children's reading confidence and fluency and encourages reading. Sign your child up to read a story to Toby, a 9 year old Border Collie/Whippet mix and Read Therapy Dog. Toby loves to hear stories and spend time around children. He may put his paw on your book to help you hold the page or take a little nap while he listens.

When you finish, he may surprise you with a kiss to thank you! Register for a 10 minute time slot [here](#).

CONNECTICUT'S INDUSTRIAL AGE

Monday, March 27th - 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

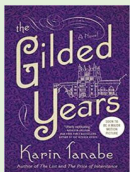


Christina Volpe, Curator of The Barnes Museum will present on Connecticut's Industrial Age. This period is regarded as the golden era of booming economies, rapid scientific and technological advancement, strict social etiquette for some, and the ushering-in of the Progressive Era, defined by years of push for social, political, and cultural reform. The Barnes Museum reflects these themes on a local and state level utilizing diary entries, art, artifacts, and technology found within the museum's collection. Join us for this look back at Connecticut's history. [Register here](#).

ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION

Thursday, March 30th - 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

The Gilded Years by Karin Tanabe



John Valeri of Portland, CT will lead our discussion of "The Gilded Years" by Karin Tanabe. Join us in person or via Zoom to discuss this latest title in our "Gilded Age" series. [Register here](#) and please note in the comments field if you would like a copy of book.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

NOW HIRING!



The Recreation Department is now hiring for the following summer positions: Camp Director, Camp Counselor, Water Safety Instructor and Lifeguard. For more information on all our listings and to apply please visit: town.bolton.ct.org/employment.

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13th ANNUAL EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 1st - 12:00 p.m. - Herrick Park, 29 Hebron Road



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 more 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, the 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.

KID'S NIGHT OUT



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

When: 4:00pm-9:00pm

May 12- Spring themed/ Mother's day gifts

June 16- Summer themed/ Fathers day gifts

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

Register [HERE](#). Registration deadline is one week prior to the program date.

Take the night out yourself or go out with friends while the kids have a party of their own with our staff and their friends! Each night will include crafts, games, activities indoor and outdoor for all ages to enjoy! Pizza and refreshments will be provided to all who join us these evenings.

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HOME ALONE SAFETY FOR KIDS



Who: Ages 8-13

When: March 27th, 2023, 5:00-6:30pm

Cost: \$50.00

Where: Notch Roach Municipal center Room B, 104 Notch Road Bolton CT 06043

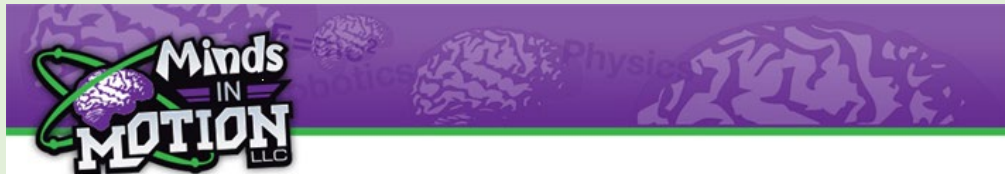
About the Course:

Home alone safety for kids is a unique two hour interactive class for both boys and girls who are left home alone. The course will cover safety concerns parents have when their children are home by themselves. Participants will learn to be more aware of potential dangers they may face when home alone. Each student will receive a workbook that covers house key safety, indoor and outdoor safety (including kitchen), gun safety, fires and gas leaks. They will also review first aid kit essentials, as well as phone, door and internet safety.

Register [HERE](#)

Registration is due 3/20/2023

SPRING AFTERSCHOOL: MINDS IN MOTION LLC



6-IN-1 SPACE FLEET ROBOT

Who: Ages 7-11

When: Wednesdays April 19 - June 7th, from 3:15-4:15pm

Where: BCS Grade 7/8 Staff room

Cost: \$168.00

Build and take home your very own Solar Space Fleet Robot! The Solar Space Fleet Kit is an innovative solar powered science kit that can transform into six different lunar modules. Using your own mini solar panel, watch as direct sunlight brings the kits to life! Come and create six different working models including a Space Station, Space Rover, Space Explorer, Astronaut, Space Shuttle, and Space Dog. Watch as it moves around and speeds up or slows down depending on the intensity of light as you learn, experiment, and have fun with solar power! Each complete model can also be powered by your very own mini rechargeable battery. Come join in this super fun solar space adventure! **Register [HERE](#).**

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SPRING BREAK CAMP

April 10 through April 14, 2023



When: Monday April 10- Friday April 14, 2023

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

Ages: 3-12

Cost: \$165

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 engaging 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!**

Challenger sports will do a mini Half Day program with us one day during the week.

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 is due 4/3/2023

Register [HERE](#)

TOWN WIDE TAG SALE

Saturday, May 6th. - 8 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (In your yard) \$25.00



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? Be a part of the community tag sale! You host it and we will promote it!

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, and an 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 17, 2023.**

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 **[HERE.](#)**

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BUS TRIPS

DAFFODIL FESTIVAL ON NANTUCKET ISLAND

Saturday, April 29th



Here's an opportunity to venture out and fully embrace Spring Time! Your Coach bus will leave from the Tolland Commuter Lot at 6:00 a.m. and drive 2 hours and 15 minutes to Hyannis on Cape Cod, where you will board a Hy-Line Cruise, for a 1-hour high speed ferry ride to picturesque Nantucket! Explore this charming island, enjoy the Daffodil festival and the antique car parade and the local eateries on your own.

Go to <https://daffodilfestival.com> or www.nantucket-ma.gov for more info.

We plan to take the 5:30 ferry back to Hyannis and make quick stop for fast food on the way home and arrive back in Tolland by 9:30 p.m.

Fee: \$172 (includes coach bus and high speed ferry round trip). Avoid the summer tourist season, consider travelling with your mom and celebrating Mother's Day early, treat yourself to a delightful adventure!

Registration is due March 29th. Register [HERE](#)

BOSTON RED SOX VS NEW YORK YANKEES @ YANKEE STADIUM

Saturday, June 10th



Join My Fun Bus Staff on a trip to Yankee Stadium to see the Boston Red Sox vs the New York Yankees (first pitch 7:35pm). Trip Includes: Charter Bus, Ticket to the game (Sec 234), games and prizes on the bus, and a cookout before the game (Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Sausage and Pepper Grinders, Mac and Cheese, Sweet and Sour Meatballs, assorted Salads, Chips, Water and Soda).

Date: Sat., June 10 **Activity #:** **180002-A**
Reg. Deadline: Fri., May 27
Departs From: The bus will depart from the Tolland Commuter Lot at Exit 68 off of I-84.
Departure Time: 2:45 p.m. Return Time: Approx. 1 a.m.
Fee: \$210 (fee includes bus transportation, ticket to the game, and cookout). Register [HERE](#)

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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, March 14 and 28, 2023

Tuesday, April 11 and 25, 2023

Tuesday, May 9 and 23, 2023

LUNCH WITH THE PASTOR: A CHURCH AND COMMUNITY EVENT

Saturday, March 25th



On Saturday, March 25 from 11am - 1pm, join Pastor Brandon Yaghjian-Tison and other leaders from Bolton Congregational Church to learn more about the church; Q & A with the pastor; information about the UCC, who we are and what we believe; building tours; sign up for volunteer opportunities; and more! Best of all, enjoy a baked potato bar with salad and beverages!!

This event is open to all church attendees and the community at large. Please RSVP by contacting the church office (office@boltonucc.org or 860-649-7077), so we can have enough food for all. We look forward to seeing you!

BUNNY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Saturday, April 1st



The Bolton Women's Fire Auxiliary will be hosting its annual Bunny Breakfast. This year in the firehouse bays, for more space!

Come enjoy pancakes, sausage, coffee, and juice

Where: Bolton Fire House 168 Bolton Center Rd.

When: Saturday, April 1st 8:30-11 AM **Price:** Adults \$8, Children 10 and under \$5, Children under 2 are free

All proceeds go to supporting the Bolton Volunteer Fire Department.

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BOLTON CENTER SCHOOL - 2023-2024 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION



Bolton Center School will hold Kindergarten Registration for the 2023-2024 school year in the Main Office starting Monday, February 6th. Parents will need to contact the main office at 860-643-2411 and speak with Judy Ramsdell to schedule an appointment for registration. We encourage parents to access the registration forms online via our website (www.boltonpublicschools.com) and complete them prior to coming to the school office.

Children must be 5 years old on or before January 1, 2024 to be eligible. Please bring the following documents:

- Child's Birth Certificate
- Proof of parent's residency (see Bolton Residency Requirements on our website)
- Current immunization and physical information

Other important dates:

- Thursday, May 25th will be the incoming kindergarten parent meeting from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., via zoom.
- Wednesday, May 31st will be the school visit/screening which will be held in two sessions 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, August 29th will be the teacher meet & greet and bus ride

The Bolton Center School is located at 108 Notch Road, Bolton, CT. Please contact the Main Office at 860-643-2411 if you have any questions.

CALENDAR

March	14 th	Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:00 p.m.
	14 th	Temporary Public Building - 7:00 p.m.
	16 th	Board of Finance - 7:15 p.m.
	21 st	Senior Commission - 1:00 p.m.
	21 st	Legislative Town Hall - 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
	21 st	BOF Budget Workshop - 7:15 p.m.
	23 rd	BOF Budget Workshop - 7:15 p.m.
	27 th	Fire Commission - 7:00 p.m.
	28 th	Inland Wetlands - 7:00 p.m.
	28 th	BOF Budget Workshop - 7:15 p.m.
	30 th	BOF Budget Workshop - 7:15 p.m.
April	1 st	Transfer Station Open 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Click here to purchase a \$24.00 punch ticket for the Transfer Station
	1 st	Bunny Pancake Breakfast - Bolton FD - 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
	1 st	Easter Egg Hunt - Herrick Park - 12:00 p.m.

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

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CORNED BEEF DINNER

Saturday, March 18

5 pm—7 pm

\$16.00 each

Dinner includes corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, carrots, Irish soda bread, and carrot cake

Dine-in and take-out are available.

To reserve a dinner or ticket, please contact
Steve Wierzbicki (860-808-9162)
or Lauren Mainville (860-836-7514)

A purchasing link is also available on our website.

Please join us for a
1920'S
SPRING GALA
& Silent Auction

HOSTED BY:
THE BCS PTA

Friday March 31st
6 - 10 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING

A VILLA LOUISA
60 VILLA LOUISA ROAD
BOLTON, CT. 06043

Dress in your best 1920s!

RSVP & PAYMENT : WWW.BOLTONPTA.ORG BY 3/19/23
TICKETS: \$50/PP OR \$360/ TABLE OF 8