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HELP WANTED - PART-TIME SENIOR VAN DRIVER



Part-time driver needed for the Senior Center on an as needed basis. Must possess CDL license with passenger endorsement and clean driving record. Subject to background check. Works under the direction of the Director of Senior and Social Services. Operates vans for up to 20 passengers to pick up and deliver seniors and disabled adults to the Senior Center, medical appointments, shopping, errands and other events as assigned. Positive customer service and confidentiality required. The position is currently paid \$16.09 per hour, and hours per week vary. Please submit a cover letter, resume, and completed application to Kathy McCavanagh at hr@boltonct.org. Open until filled.

FLU SHOT CLINIC

Monday, October 3, 2022 ~ 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.



Bolton Senior & Social Services
104 Notch Road will be hosting a CVS Flu Shot Clinic
Monday, October 3 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Adult and senior doses available.
Insurance will be billed through CVS Pharmacy.
PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR INSURANCE CARD.

SCRAP METAL PICKUP - ITEMS MUST BE CURBSIDE NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2nd.



Curbside scrap metal collection will be held the week of October 3rd through 7th, 2022. Items for collection must be curbside by Sunday, October 3rd. If your items are not collected by Friday afternoon, please call the selectmen's office. Noncombustible items such as appliances and other metal items weighing up to 100 pounds are acceptable. **UNACCEPTABLE items:** include gas grill propane tanks, motor vehicle parts, machinery, and items weighing more than 100 pounds. Please remember this collection is for scrap metal only, not for bulk waste.

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“Celebrating Your Farm”



Sunday – September 25 – 3pm to 6 pm

Bolton Heritage Farm
266 Bolton Center Road

Enjoy

- > Live music with our own Dennis Sheridan & BHS Jazz Band
- > Food Truck
- > Complimentary Snacks
- > Scavenger Hunt
- > Bells for Bolton compliments of Bike Walk Bolton

Did you know that the Bolton Heritage Farm is on the National Washington Rochambeau Revolutionary War Route?

Interpretive signage will be unveiled to the public for the first time.

Come celebrate your farm! All are welcome.

Visit the Bike Walk Bolton table. Bring your bike and your helmet for a free bell for your bike and tips on how to wear your helmet correctly. Learn what BWB is doing to improve walking and biking locally.

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NEWS FROM THE TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE – 09-14-22

[TAX BILL LOOKUP 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.

The adjusted Real Estate and Personal Properties tax bills will be going out at the end of September 2022. They are due and payable on October 1, 2022. They will need to be paid by November 1, 2022 to avoid interest. Interest accrues from the July 1st due date at 1.5% per month or 18% per year. Minimum interest charge is \$2.00 per bill

Real Estate and Personal Property Tax bills were sent out using a temporary mill rate in July. These bills make up the difference in the increase mill rate from our approved budget.

There will be no additional billing for Motor Vehicle since the State capped the mill rate on those at 32.46.

If you do 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

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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.**

Using the return envelope provided:	or	mail directly to Tax Collector at:
Mail tax payments to: Tax Collector		Tax Collector
Department 2280		222 Bolton Center Rd.
P.O. Box 986500		Bolton, CT 06043
Boston, MA 02298-6500		

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 <https://town.boltonct.org/departments/tax-collector/faqs>

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SENIOR & SOCIAL SERVICES

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

KNOX BOX SAFETY PROGRAM



A Knox Box provides local first responders with quick and safe entry to a home during a medical or fire emergency without property damage. The device is fastened to a door and does not require permanent adhesion so it is available for both homeowners and renters. We have a limited number of Knox Boxes available that were purchased by Bolton Senior Inc. with grant funding from the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving Bolton Community Fund. If you would like to participate in this safety program, please contact the Senior Center office for an application.

POETRY AS MEMOIR

Wednesday, September 21, 1:30 p.m.

Join us for an interactive poetry and writing workshop on Wednesday, September 21 at 1:30 p.m. This workshop is being facilitated by award-winning poet Bessy Reyna, who is currently serving as Bolton's Poet Laureate. We will explore how poets share moments of their lives and personal relationships. Their poems will serve as inspiration in the creation of our own poems. This workshop will be limited to 10 participants. Advance registration required; RSVP 860-647-9196.

SENIOR APPRECIATION LUNCHEON



We'll celebrate Senior Center Month with our annual Senior Appreciation Luncheon on Thursday, September 22 at 12 p.m. Join us for a delicious meal and a performance by the Hebron Sunshine Singers! Registration required; RSVP 860-647-9196.

FIRE PREVENTION

Tuesday, October 11th, 10:00 a.m.



Bolton Fire Marshal Bill Call will give us some important tips and reminders on smoke detectors and other fire safety planning. Join us on Tuesday, October 11 at 10 a.m.

FLORENCE GRISWOLD MUSEUM

Thursday, October 13th



Take a trip to see the Florence Griswold Museum and visit the Wee Faerie Village. This year's theme is Twinkle Point - an amusement park for the Wee Faerie Folk. The trip is Thursday, October 13, van leave the Senior Center at 9:30 a.m. Tickets to the museum and special event are \$12 cash.

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ENERGY ASSISTANCE



Energy Assistance. We are expecting fuel costs to be high this winter. We strongly encourage you to apply for energy assistance through ACCESS Community Action Agency at 860-450-7400. Income limits are \$39,791 single, \$51,996 couple (ask for additional household sizes).

HOLIDAY PROGRAM REGISTRATION



Do you need help with food or gifts this holiday season? Registration for the 2022-2023 Social Services Holiday Program is available and must be completed by October 21. See staff to request an application.

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.

The following programs are free of charge and open to residents and nonresidents.

COFFEE MUG COLLECTION - THROUGH SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH



CoffeClear out your cupboards and support the Hartford Kids Holiday Event. Donate your like-new, full-size coffee mugs (no company or school logos, please). The mugs will be filled with goodies and wrapped in cellophane. Children in need can select a filled mug to give one of their family members as a holiday gift. Read more. (Note: the library is only collecting mugs).

3 STORYTIMES - THE THEME IS A HARVEST OF GOOD READING

Thursdays, Sept. 15, 22, and 29 at 11:00 a.m.



Join us for storytime, a craft, and a snack. Stories will feature books relating to the September harvest. Remember to register!

LIBRARIES LOVE LAKES

Monday, September 19, 6:00 p.m.



Want to learn about how scientists study lakes and how to protect them? Research scientist Kendra Kilson of Northeast Aquatic Research, LLC. will share scientific equipment, offer hands-on demonstrations about water quality and explain how we can help care for lakes. This program is sponsored by Friends of Bolton Lakes.

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NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION DAY

Tuesday, September 20th, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.



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FREE pH SOIL TESTING AND ANSWERS TO GARDENING QUESTIONS

Thursday, September 22nd, Drop-in Event from 5:30 p.m. 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. Read more about this event [here](#).

“KEEP YOUR CREATIVE JUICES WORKING” with DOROTHY HALL

Tuesday, September 29th, 6:30 p.m.

This engaging program is ideal for artists and novices alike. Find inspiration and get your creative side reenergized. Artist, book illustrator, news designer, muralist, cartoonist, and teacher, Dorothy Hall has continuously created throughout her life. Join us as Dorothy shares examples of her work, explains how she keeps those juices working, and inspires you to create. To register, call 860-646-7349, email bmlprograms@biblio.org, or register in person at our registration station.

DO YOU KNIT, CROCHET, QUILT, OR CROSS STITCH?



Join our knitting group. Novice or experienced, all are welcome. Drop in any Tuesday from 6:30 – 7:45 p.m. to join this friendly group. Registration not required.



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RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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, 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.

HALF DAY HANGOUTS 2022-2023

Join the Bolton Recreation Department staff on your half days from school! All grades Kindergarten through fifth grade are welcome! At school dismissal students will be met by staff and walk over to the Notch Road Municipal Building until 5:30pm pick up time.

There are 13 individual half days throughout the 2022-23 school year at Bolton Center School. **Individual Half Day costs- \$40.00**

Register [HERE](#)

NCC TRAVEL LEAGUE 2022-2023 COMPETITIVE BASKETBALL



Girls and Boys in grades 5-8 have the opportunity to participate in a competitive basketball league with surrounding towns in Connecticut during the season. Travel teams for every grade level are **not guaranteed**. If there is not enough interest at a specific age level, participants will be placed on the appropriate recreational level team for the season.

Joining the Travel basketball team takes much more commitment and dedication throughout the season. If you cannot guarantee your commitment and dedication you will be asked to join the recreation level teams instead. To join the Travel league team your participation will be mandatory in tryouts prior to the season starting, if you are not at tryouts you will automatically be placed on a recreation team. We ask you to understand that not everyone is able to join the travel teams and there are cuts that are made after tryouts. If you do not make the travel league team, you will be placed on the appropriate recreational level team.

Registration if interested is due by September 19, 2022.

Travel League cost: \$165.00

Payment will be due after tryouts, no payments will be accepted prior to

Practice and game dates are TBD **For more information and to register: [HERE](#)**

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Scarecrow Contest 2022



All ages are welcome to join in this event! Bolton Recreation Department will provide the space for the scarecrow as well as the stake for the scarecrow. Each family/group will receive a number in which your scarecrow will be placed on. Set up will be the weekend of October 7-9.

All Scarecrows must be on the Town Green on your stake by the end of the weekend. Scarecrows will be left up for the community to see until the weekend of November 1. Judging and voting will be taken during this time with prizes for the top three winners at the end.

Register by September 30, 2022!

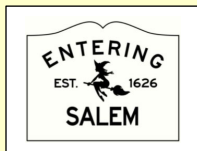
[Register Here!](#)

Cost: \$20.00

Contest rules

1. All scare crows must be stuffed, no full bodied mannequins
2. Family and/or group must provide all materials that are needed
3. Scarecrows will be judged by their materials, creativity, construction and theme
4. No violent themes will be tolerated
5. Must be able to transport the scarecrow without driving across the lawn
6. Size of scarecrow must not exceed 6 feet in height

A DAY ON YOUR OWN IN SALEM, MA **Saturday, October 15th**



Join us for an exciting trip to Salem, Massachusetts this October, just in time for Spooky Season! We provide the transportation, and you are free to explore the streets of Salem as you wish! Just make sure you meet us back at the bus station by 5:45pm for the bus ride home.

Join this wonderful trip put on by the Ashford, Coventry, Bolton, Mansfield and Tolland Recreation Departments!

Date: Saturday October 15

Time: 7:00am- Tolland Commuter

Parking Lot (Exit 68 off of I-84)

Arrival: Approximately 9:00am, Salem

Train & Bus Station: 252 Bridge St,
Salem, MA 01970

Depart: 6:00pm-Salem Train & Bus Station:
252 Bridge St, Salem, MA 01970

Return: Approximately 8:00 -8:30PM

Cost: \$60 per person

[Register by September 30, 2022](#)

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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, September 27

Tuesday, October 11 and 25

Tuesday, November 8 and 22

Tuesday, December 6 and 20

BOLTON CHURCH ANNOUNCES 46TH ANNUAL CRAFT & HARVEST FAIR

September 24, 2022 - 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.



St. George's Episcopal Church at 1150 Boston Turnpike, Route 44, in Bolton will present their 46th Annual Craft and Harvest Fair on Saturday, September 24, 2022 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM on the church lawn.

Admission and parking are free. The event will feature a variety of crafters presenting an array of items including handcrafted jewelry, holiday decorations, pottery, knitted and crocheted items, wooden crafts, candles, children's items, quilts, soaps and our Book Nook. In addition, there will be a home-baked goods table, including a large selection of delicious desserts. St. George's renown homemade Apple Pies will be offered. For further information about the Fair call 860.643.9203 or visit www.facebook.com/StGeorgesBoltonCT.

WISHES ON WHEELS

October 2, 2022



New England's largest truck convoy - "bringing together families and the trucking industry to raise awareness, hope and spirit for children with life threatening illnesses." The Annual Wishes on Wheels Truck Convoy will take place Sunday, October 2nd.

The convoy of approximately 500 trucks will gather at Rentschler Field in East Hartford and depart along a parade route on I-84 and I-384 around 9:30AM.

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sweet
summer

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BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS PLANNED AT ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Sunday, October 2, 2022 at 11:00 AM



Attention owners and companions of much-loved pets! The Rev. Chris Rose will be blessing all animals who are brought to St. George's Episcopal Church on **Sunday, October 2, 2022 at 11:00 AM**. Social distancing will be observed during the Blessing. The annual Blessing of the Animals will take place outside the church in the parking lot at 1150 Boston Turnpike, Bolton, Connecticut. In addition to the traditional types of pets (dogs, cats, gerbils, fish, turtles, birds, etc.), the more exotic type pets will be blessed. All animals are welcome and must be either in a cage or on a leash. Stuffed animals and photos of pets will be blessed, too! *"Animals play such an important part in our lives. We must always be aware of treating them in a humane way, encourage children to be kind to them, consider adopting from an animal shelter and speak out against animal abuse. This free event is open to everyone who would like to join in this joyous celebration of God's creatures,"* said event coordinator, Beth Michel. Further information is available at 860.643.9203 or e-mail stgeorges@stgeorgesboltonct.org.

CALENDAR

Sept.	17 th	Recycle/Transfer Station OPEN - 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
	20 th	Diversity Commission 7:00 p.m.
	25 th	Celebrating Your Farm - Bolton Heritage Farm - 3:00 p.m.
	26 th	Fire Commission 7:00 p.m.
	27 th	Inland Wetlands Commission 7:00 p.m.
Oct.	1 st	Recycle/Transfer Station OPEN - 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
	3 rd	Conservation Commission - 7:00 p.m.
	3 rd	Bolton Heritage Farm Commission - 7:00 p.m.
	4 th	Board of Selectmen - 7:00 p.m.
	6 th	Veteran's Commission - 2:00 p.m.
	11 th	Library Commission - 4:00 p.m.
	11 th	Temporary Building Commission - 7:00 p.m.
	11 th	Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:00 p.m.
	12 th	Planning and Zoning Commission - 7:30 p.m.
	12 th	Board of Education - 6:30 p.m.

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