



GLASTONBURY AT A GLANCE

FEBRUARY 2020

EVENTS & PROGRAMS

Featured Event

Feb. 13th - Age-Friendly Community Conversation: 6:00 - 8:00 pm at the RCC. (Snow date: 2/20) - Residents of all ages are encouraged to attend. Discussion topics to include: Housing, Transportation, Outdoor Spaces/Buildings, Community & Health Services, and Social & Civic participation. Town officials will be present to hear your ideas and community member input is critical! [Please click here to view the event flyer/RSVP information](#) and share with your friends & colleagues in Glastonbury. We hope to see you there!

Other Events

2/1 - Take Your Child to the Library Day - 9:30 am - 4:30 pm at WTML. Visit www.wtmlib.info for more information.

2/3 - AARP Tax-Aide Program Begins - Appointments required. Call **(860) 652-7638** to schedule yours.

2/3 - GHS and SMS Choral Festival - 7:00 pm at GHS Auditorium. All are welcome.

♥ **2/10 - GHS Annual Valentine Cabaret -** 7:30 pm @ GHS Cafeteria. Performance by GHS Madrigals & Chamber Strings, dancing, and refreshments. Tickets for sale at the door.

♥ **2/12 - Valentine's Day Chocolate Make and Take for Teens -** 6:30 - 8:30 pm at WTML. Grades 7-12 welcome.

♥ **2/13 - Valentine's Luncheon at Riverfront Community Center (RCC) -** 12:00 pm - Lunch & entertainment with Paul Shlien

2/18 - FREE Children's Performance - Jungle Jim's 'Wild About Balloons' Magic Show - 11:00 am at Smith Middle School Auditorium. Appropriate for Preschool-Elementary Age Children.

View more information and all Town events at www.glastonbury-ct.gov/events.

UPCOMING DEADLINES

Taxes - Tax payments are due by Feb. 3 to avoid late fees! Pay online/review your balance at www.glastonbury-ct.gov/taxpmt.

Voter Registration - You must be enrolled in the Democratic or Republican party to vote in the Presidential Primary. If you're enrolled as UNAFFILIATED (the State's equivalent of being "Independent") or if you're a NEW VOTER; you have until noon on April 27, 2020 to enroll in person for the April 28, 2020 Presidential Primary.

GLASTONBURY BOATHOUSE WINS COUPLES' CHOICE AWARDS

The Town is pleased to report that the Glastonbury Boathouse was selected as a winner of the 2020 WeddingWire Couples' Choice Awards®. Wedding professionals receiving this recognition are members of WeddingPro, a leader in the global wedding planning industry which encompasses online marketplaces WeddingWire and The Knot. The Boathouse was selected in the Venue Category for its high scoring client reviews and for exhibiting superior professionalism, responsiveness, service, and quality interactions with potential and solidified wedding clients. This award is a wonderful platform for generating further revenue opportunities at the venue, which fund ongoing operating expenses at Riverfront Park.

REMINDER!
Town facilities will be
CLOSED Monday,
Feb. 17th for
Presidents' Day.

NEWS FROM GLASTONBURY SCHOOLS

Kindergarten Registration

Any child who will be 5 years of age on or before January 1, 2021 and meets all residency requirements is eligible to begin kindergarten at the start of the 2020-2021 school year.

After pre-registering students online, parents/guardians will be prompted to schedule a brief session with the registrar at the Glastonbury Public Schools' central office. Families will need to bring the necessary documents for the registrar to scan. This will complete the registration process.

Please complete the online pre-registration for your kindergarten student as soon as possible. Appointments with the registrar are available on days school is in session. Visit the [Kindergarten Registration website](#) for more information.

Board of Education Approves Budget

At their January 9, 2020 meeting, the Board of Education voted to adopt a \$112,313,089 education budget for the 2020-2021 school year. This is an increase of 3.3% to the current operating budget.

Board members reduced Superintendent Bookman's proposed budget by \$300,000. Reduced areas included supplies for art, basic and secondary education, and libraries, as well as staff training, equipment, and fringe benefits.

The [BOE Budget webpage](#) provides budget documents and additional information on the budget process and upcoming meetings.

OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE

Support Glastonbury Assistance Programs through "Glastonbury Gives"!

Created by Glastonbury Social Services, Glastonbury Gives assists residents experiencing a crisis situation that hinders their ability to pay for food, utilities, shelter, medical expenses, and other critical needs. It is funded entirely by contributions from generous individuals, businesses, and community groups, with 100% of donations directly supporting residents in need. To learn more or support this program, please visit www.glastonbury-ct.gov/glastonburygives.

WINTER SAFETY REMINDERS

- Clear snow from sidewalks and fire hydrants on your property within 24 hours of snow fall for resident safety.
- Protect your concrete walkways/stairs! Avoid de-icing products that contain Magnesium Chloride (MgCl). Glastonbury recommends Calcium Magnesium Acetate (CMA) or Calcium Chloride (CaCl) products for de-icing of concrete surfaces to avoid costly repairs. Additionally, avoid over-applying any de-icing product as this can also increase the likelihood of damage and negatively impacts the environment when it permeates groundwater.
- Be mindful of where you place candles/open flames and be sure to extinguish them before sleeping or leaving your home.
- Take caution and be mindful of slippery conditions when walking or driving in inclement weather.

SIGN UP FOR REAL-TIME UPDATES THRU TOWN RESOURCES

For real-time updates on everything Glastonbury:

- Sign up for Town emails - Visit www.glastonbury-ct.gov/enotify and customize your subscription to include a wide variety of categories such as Community Activities, Storm Updates, Public Health & Safety, upcoming deadlines, and more!
- Follow the Town Facebook page at www.facebook.com/glastonburyconnecticut