

GLASTONBURY AT A GLANCE MARCH 2020

EVENTS & PROGRAMS

3/1 - Community Garden Plot Registrations Available - Contact Parks & Recreation for more information at (860) 652-7679. Month of March - AARP Tax-Aide Program - Appointments required. Call (860) 652-7638 to schedule yours.

3/10 - Lifelong Learning 'African Safari' - Tuesdays beginning 3/10 - 5/26. Contact Senior Services for info at (860) 652-7638.

3/12 - St. Patrick's Day Lunch Celebration at the RCC - Lunch & entertainment - Must purchase tickets by March 9. Contact Senior Services for more info or to purchase tickets at **(860) 652-7655**.

3/12 and 3/26 - Trivia Thursdays at the RCC - 6-7:30 pm. Free admission & prizes! Call Matt to register at (860) 652-7645. 3/18 - FREE Caregiver Series begins - This free, 5 week programs will take place on Wednesday evenings at the RCC. Topics to include an overview of dementia, communication and behavior challenges and more. For more information, please contact Susan Parrotta at (860) 652-7636 or susan.parrotta@glastonbury-ct.gov.

3/18 - Memory Screenings - Free and confidential screenings sponsored by Hartford Healthcare Center for Healthy Aging. Screenings are done on the third Wednesday of every month. For more information or to schedule a 10 minute appointment, please contact Susan Parrotta at **(860) 652-7636** or **susan.parrotta@glastonbury-ct.gov**.

3/26 and 4/8 - Car Seat Checkup Safety Clinic - 5:00 - 7:30pm at Fire Station 1. No appointment necessary. Free Opioid Education & Family Support Group - Mondays from 6:30-7:30pm at Youth & Family Services. Hosted and sponsored by National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). Contact Paul at pbrainerd@namict.org for additional information. Save the Date! "Passport to Health" Fair - This Glastonbury Health & Wellness Fair will take place on Wednesday, April 8th from 2-4pm and 5-7pm. Visit www.glastonbury-ct.gov/passport2health for more information.

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

SUMMER PROGRAM REGISTRATION THIS MONTH!

Registration for Glastonbury Parks and Recreation summer programs begins <u>Tuesday, March 17 at 8:00am</u>. To register or learn more about available programs for residents of all ages and interests, please visit **www.glastonbury-ct.gov/recregister**.

NATIONAL GROUNDWATER AWARENESS WEEK

In observance of National Groundwater Awareness Week, the Town reminds homeowners with private wells to test their well water. In partnership with two local testing laboratories (Aquatek and Envirotech), the Glastonbury Health Department (GHD) has test kits available in their office to test for full potability, uranium, and radon. Information about how to collect the samples as well as drop off location details and test pricing are included with the kits. These kits are provided as a convenience to residents and residents may choose other labs to test their water. A list of local water testing labs is available at **www.glastonbury-ct.gov/uranium**. If you have questions regarding your test results or treatment, please contact the GHD at **(860) 652-7534**.

HIGHEST BOND RATINGS REAFFIRMED FOR GLASTONBURY

The Town of Glastonbury's high bond ratings of Aaa and AAA have been reaffirmed by Moody's Investors Service and Standard and Poor's Financial Services, LLC (S&P) respectively. The Aaa/AAA are the highest ratings a community can receive and the rating agencies cited a number of favorable factors supporting this decision including the Town's "very strong financial management", sizable and growing tax base, strong resident wealth and income profile, stable financial position, strong economy, manageable long-term liabilities, budgetary performance, and strong liquidity. Numerous aspects of Glastonbury's overall financial processes and policies were recognized by Moody's and S&P's reports, with specific notes crediting the Town's forecasting considerations, debt and liability management, ongoing budget analyses, and Capital Improvement Program. Maintaining a high bond rating positively impacts the Town's ability to borrow money at favorable interest rates.

GLASTONBURY STAFF RAISE \$100 FOR ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

This past Valentine's Day, Town staff organized a bake sale to raise money for Glastonbury Gives, a Social Services initiative that provides various assistance programs to residents in need. On February 14th, staff members baked and donated homemade items for sale with 100% of proceeds supporting this program. Between Town Hall and the RCC, \$100+ was raised for Glastonbury Gives and will be allocated to the Food and Fuel Banks. Thank you to all staff who donated their time and baking skills to this pop up bake sale for a great cause! To learn more about Glastonbury Gives or support the program with a donation, please visit www.glastonbury-ct.gov/glastonburygives.

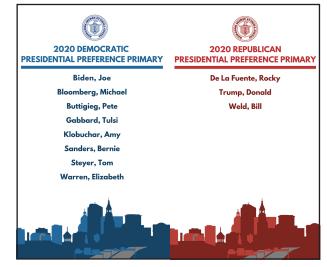
UPCOMING DEADLINES

Homeowner's Property Tax Credit Program - Applications for Elderly and Disabled Tax Relief are accepted now through May 15th. To make an appointment or learn more, please call Glastonbury Social Services at (860) 652-7638.

Heating Assistance Applications accepted now through May 1. Eligible renters and homeowners can get assistance with heating costs and utilities through this energy assistance program. Residents are encouraged to call Social Services for energy assistance before calling CRT. For more information, or to make an appointment or apply, please contact Glastonbury Social Services at **(860) 652-7638**.

ELECTION DEADLINES

The Presidential Preference Primary is April 28, 2020. Both the Democratic and Republican parties will be holding primaries. The slate for the primaries are shown to the right. If you are an UNAFFILIATED voter (Connecticut's term for an Independent who does not want to affiliate with a party), you have until NOON on April 27, 2020 to register with either the Democratic or Republican Party. For new registrants, the deadline is April 23, 2020. As long as you are 18 on or before NOVEMBER 3, 2020, you're eligible to vote in a Primary at age 17. (The deadline to change from one party to another to vote in the Presidential Primary was 1/28/2020.)



SIGN-UP FOR REAL-TIME UPDATES THROUGH TOWN RESOURCES

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- 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, timely deadlines and more!
- Follow the Town Facebook page at www.facebook.com/glastonburyconnecticut