



# GLASTONBURY AT A GLANCE

AUGUST 2020

## THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER IS BACK!

After a brief pandemic hiatus, we are pleased to revive the monthly newsletter, which highlights various Town programs, services, and announcements affecting the Glastonbury community. Please note, the weekly Town Manager COVID-19 updates will continue to be distributed therefore this publication will NOT have COVID information, with the exception of modified regulations and conditions for upcoming programs and services as applicable.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **August 11 - Presidential Preference Primary** - Polls open 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM. [More information here.](#)
- **August 22 - Household Hazardous Waste Disposal event** - 8:00 am - 1:00 pm in Manchester. Special COVID-19 regulations and restrictions apply. Please visit the [HHW web page](#) for specific details before attending.
- **August 28 - Virtual Veterans' Social and Support Group** - 1:00 - 2:00 pm. [Learn more or register here.](#)
- **Virtual Programs and Events**
  - **Monday Games** - Every Monday, the Senior Center hosts virtual games at 1:00 pm. Register each week by contacting Norma Carey at [norma.carey@glastonbury-ct.gov](mailto:norma.carey@glastonbury-ct.gov) or call **860-652-7655**.
  - **"Pajama Story-times" with WTML** - 6:30-7:00 pm every Wednesday via Zoom. Visit [www.wtmlib.info](http://www.wtmlib.info) for a list of all upcoming programs.
  - **Tai Ji Quan - Moving for Better Balance** - Zoom class offered weekly through the RCC. [Learn more here.](#)
  - **August 22 - Virtual Concert with the Homegrown String Band** - Adult program offered through Zoom. [Learn more.](#)

To view ALL upcoming Town events, or more information on the above, please visit the following:

- Town Events Calendar: [www.glastonbury-ct.gov/events](http://www.glastonbury-ct.gov/events)
- Sharing Tree Newsletter: [www.glastonbury-ct.gov/sharingtree](http://www.glastonbury-ct.gov/sharingtree)

\*Please note: The Riverfront Concert events scheduled to be held this month have been CANCELLED due to the pandemic.

## RECYCLING EVENTS AND POST-STORM PROGRAMS

**Brush Disposal** - The Bulky Waste Facility (BWF) is open extended hours from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM daily until, and including, Saturday August 15. Residents may bring storm-related brush/trees only for disposal at the BWF with fees waived during these extended, post-storm hours. Proof of residency required. [Click here for more information.](#)

**Food Waste** - Those with spoiled food resulting from the storm may bring it to the [Transfer Station](#) for disposal through the Town's Food Waste Disposal program. If you would like to have it composted in our food waste compost container instead of as household trash, residents may do so with fees waived (only proof of residency required). Participants MUST comply with [food compost guidelines on website](#) (no plastic, packaging etc.).

\*Reminder: Until further notice, only cash and checks available at the Transfer Station and BWF. No credit card payments accepted due to power outage.

## COTTON HOLLOW CLOSED INDEFINITELY

Cotton Hollow has closed indefinitely due to safety concerns. Town staff are currently evaluating various safety factors and addressing increased littering activity - e.g. broken glass on the trails and in the water. The Town will be monitoring the area to ensure compliance with the closure and will announce when the site has reopened for public use. Your patience is appreciated as we work to ensure this public area can be safe for all to enjoy.

## HELP KEEP OUR COMMUNITY PARKS CLEAN!

Due to the pandemic, the Town of Glastonbury and organizations throughout the state are required to operate at reduced staffing levels. With this in mind, is it more important than ever for residents to do their part to help keep our community parks, recreational facilities, and open spaces as clean as possible. Please help do your part by doing the following and contributing to a cleaner Glastonbury:

- When visiting town parks and recreational facilities, bring any trash and recyclables out with you to dispose of at your home or business rather than using the bins located at these sites. This is especially helpful if the bins are full/nearly full.
- Respect the rules/regulations put in place at recreational sites such as pools and parks.
- If you observe someone littering and feel comfortable doing so, ask them to pick-up their items and dispose of them properly.



## TAX BILLS DUE

On April 21, 2020 the Glastonbury Town Council adopted a resolution granting a 3-month extension for eligible taxpayers. For these taxpayers the July 1, 2020 installment becomes delinquent on October 2, 2020 and subject to interest at the rate of 18% annum, 1 1/2% per month or any fraction of a month, from the due date. On October 2, 2020 interest will be calculated at 6%. A minimum of \$2.00 interest will be charged for each delinquent tax bill and installment. Glastonbury offers the following secure, convenient methods for paying your Tax bills:

### Online:

Visit [www.glastonbury-ct.gov/taxpmt](http://www.glastonbury-ct.gov/taxpmt) to pay your bill, view your balance, and more. Applicable service fees: ACH (checking account) for tax = \$0.95 Debit/Credit Card payment for tax = 2.95%

### Drop Boxes at Town Hall:

Deposit check payments only (no cash accepted) in the drop boxes located at Town Hall. One is on the left-hand side of the Town hall driveway, (past the flagpoles), and the second is on the exterior wall to the right of the main entrance. Payments are collected Monday through Friday for processing.

### By Mail:

All tax payments must be mailed to the following address:

Town of Glastonbury  
Revenue Collector  
PO Box 376  
Glastonbury, CT 06033-0376

## THE WTML IS COMING TO YOU!

Although the WTML is open for reduced hours and limited services, the WTML Children's Librarians have developed a creative way to encourage reading during the pandemic. The children's librarians are encouraging kids to read every day and Children, ages 2-5 and in grades K-6, who have read 10 days already are discovering a super summer reader sign in their yard to proudly display their efforts. Pictured at right, Lily and Oliver Shanbaum proudly show off their efforts and sign! The summer program is for all ages, 0-100+! Visit the library website, [wtmlib.info](http://wtmlib.info) for more information on this program and the numerous virtual programs offered by the Library.



## SIGN UP FOR REAL-TIME UPDATES THROUGH TOWN RESOURCES

For real-time updates on everything Glastonbury:

- Sign-up for Town emails - Visit [www.glastonbury-ct.gov/enotify](http://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](http://www.facebook.com/glastonburyconnecticut)