



GLASTONBURY AT A GLANCE

JANUARY 2021

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

This year has presented many challenges for all of us but Town staff are proud to have embraced the unique circumstances with creativity and innovation to continue to serve the members of the Glastonbury community. As the pandemic continues into 2021, the Town will continue to modify its programs, services, and operations to comply with state and CDC guidelines and sustain Town services and programming. Most Town services continue to be available remotely with select services available in-person by appointment only.

For the most up-to-date details on Town services & operations, visit www.glastonburyct.gov/covid19 and sign-up for Town email notifications at www.glastonburyct.gov/enotify. We're looking forward to 2021 and wish you a safe and happy New Year!

UPCOMING VIRTUAL EVENTS

- 1/4 - Cooking Class with Lindsey / Sarabeth - 1:00 - 2:30 PM
- 1/4 - Wheel of Fortune - 1:00 - 2:00 PM - Register to Play!
- 1/5 - New Year Celebration with the Elderly Brothers - 12:30 - 1:30 PM
- 1/5 - Yoga for Teens - 6:00 - 7:00 PM with Sacred Rivers Yoga - Registration required.
- 1/7, 1/14, 1/21, and 1/28 - Thursday Evening Showcases Featuring the Life & Times of Famous People - 5:00 - 7:00 PM
- 1/7 - Connecticut and the Pandemic of 1918 - Adult WTML program - 6:30 - 7:30 PM
- 1/9 - College Entrance Exam Practice with Bench Prep (WTML) - 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
- 1/11 and 1/25 - Virtual Games (Sudoku and Word Search)
- 1/12, 1/19, and 1/26 - Art Classes - Watercolor and Acrylic - 9:30 - 11:30 AM
- 1/12 - Safe Medication Management - 1:00 - 2:00 PM
- 1/12 - Ditching Fad Diets and Healthy Lunch Prep (WTML) - 6:00 - 7:00 PM
- 1/13 - Wallet/Purse Scavenger Hunt - 2:00 - 3:00 PM
- 1/15, 1/22, 1/29 - Lifelong Learning Courses - 12:00 - 1:30 PM - Subjects vary weekly.
- 1/22 - GHS Treble Choir Performance - 12:00 - 1:00 PM
- 1/26 - Disney Trivia for Teens (WTML) - 6:30 - 7:30 PM
- 1/27 - Men's Health - A Path to Health & Wellness - 1:00 - 2:00 PM
- 1/27 - Cookbook Club for Adults (WTML) - 6:30 - 7:30 PM
- 1/28 - Books on Tap for Adults 21+ (WTML) - 6:00 - 7:00 PM - Registration required.
- 1/29 - Sing-A-Long with Dr. Uke - 2:00 - 3:00 PM

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

- Town Events Calendar at www.glastonburyct.gov/events
- The Sharing Tree Newsletter at www.glastonburyct.gov/sharingtree

HOLIDAY HOURS

Town facilities will be OPEN on Thursday, 12/31 (New Year's Eve), with all staff available remotely per current pandemic protocols.

Town facilities will be CLOSED on Friday, January 1, in observance of the New Year's Day holiday. This includes Town Hall, Academy, WTML, Y&FS, the RCC, the Bulky Waste Facility, and the Transfer Station.

Youth & Family Services' Creative Experiences offers Virtual Programs for Youth in Grades 7-12

Game Hour

Mondays & Fridays -
3:00 - 4:00 PM
Online Jackbox games, Pictionary, Scattergories, and more!

Music Appreciation Club
Tuesdays - 3:00 - 4:00 PM

Movement/Dance

Wednesdays -
1:00 - 2:00 PM
Learn a variety of dances!

Registration with email required in order to receive Zoom links. [Click here for more details.](#)



FREE POST-HOLIDAY TREE DISPOSAL

Residents in any type of vehicle will be allowed free disposal of their holiday tree at the Bulky Waste Facility (BWF) from Dec. 26, 2020 - Jan. 30, 2021. One tree per vehicle is allowed. Residents are encouraged to use the Bulky Waste Facility (BWF) on Tryon St. as this is the final disposal area and thus reduces related Town transportation expenses, however, trees may also be disposed of at the Transfer Station during this time period. BWF operating hours are Monday - Saturday, 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Waste disposal permits are not needed but proof of residency is required. Questions? Call **(860) 652-7772**.

TAXES DUE IN JANUARY

The 2019 Grand List (GL) Supplemental Motor Vehicle bills, as well as the second half of the 2019 Grand List Real Estate taxes and 2019 Grand List Personal Property (business) taxes are due January 1, 2021. Real Estate taxes held in escrow or owned by a landlord who hasn't been approved for the Tax Deferment program are payable by February 1, 2021. These unpaid taxes will be considered delinquent as of February 2, 2021. Landlords must apply by February 1, 2021 to be approved for the Tax Deferment Program as the summer applications are no longer valid. Tax Deferment applications **can be found here on the state website**. As of result of the Town Council's initial adoption of the Tax Deferment Program, the 2019 GL Supplemental Motor Vehicle bills, the second half of the 2019 GL Personal Property taxes, and the second half of non-escrowed and landlord approved 2019 GL Real Estate taxes are payable by April 1, 2021. These unpaid taxes will be considered delinquent as of April 2, 2021. Interest will be charged at a rate of 1.5% per month back to the due date of January 1, 2021 in accordance with the provisions of C.G.S. Sec 12-146. Checks which have been returned by the bank shall be subject to a \$15.00 handling fee. Taxpayers who have not received a bill should visit www.glastonburyct.gov/taxpmt or contact the Revenue Collection Office at **(860) 652-7614**. Failure to receive a bill does not invalidate the charge and respective penalties should the account become delinquent. For more information on deadlines and payment options, [click here to visit the Revenue Collection web page](#).

REMINDER TO CLEAR / DE-ICE SIDEWALKS AND FIRE HYDRANTS

Per the Town Code of Ordinances Section 17-52, snow & ice removal is the responsibility of the property owner/occupant adjacent to a public sidewalk. Removal of snow, sleet, and ice (to the full width of the sidewalk) shall be done within 24 hours after a storm has ended. If ice cannot be removed, such ice shall be covered with sand or a suitable substance to cause such sidewalk to be made safe/convenient within such time period. While no such regulations govern the clearing of fire hydrants, the Glastonbury Fire Department asks that residents please do their part in clearing snow from these vital areas as well, and in a timely manner following storm events. In a fire response, the time required to clear snow can mean the difference between crucial seconds or minutes needed to save a structure and its inhabitants. When clearing snow this winter, please also keep in mind that Fire Fighters need access to roughly 1 foot of space below the hydrant valve, and another 2 feet of space all around a fire hydrant. Just a few minutes of this effort may later prove vital to the safety of you or your neighbors! Thank you in advance for your assistance in keeping our community safe.

SUPPORT THE TOWN'S OPEN SPACE FUND THIS YEAR

Community members are invited to contribute monetary donations to the Town's Land Acquisition and Preservation (Open Space) Fund. The fund supports Town activities related to land acquisition or preservation for land that has recreational, municipal/educational, or conservation/wildlife value. Donations, made payable to the 'Town of Glastonbury', may be mailed to the Revenue Collection office at PO Box 376. Please note "Land Acquisition/Preservation Fund" in the check memo line. Thank you in advance for your generosity! (All donors will receive an acknowledgement letter for tax purposes.)

SIGN UP FOR REAL-TIME UPDATES THROUGH TOWN RESOURCES

For real-time updates on everything Glastonbury, sign-up for Town emails at www.glastonburyct.gov/enotify. Customize your subscription to include categories of interest to you - e.g. Community Activities, Storm Updates, Public Health & Safety, Dog Licenses, and more! Please also follow the Town on Facebook at www.facebook.com/glastonburyconnecticut.