

## GLASTONBURY AT A GLANCE

**MAY 2021** 

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

The list below is a SAMPLING of upcoming events. Please visit the Town website, www.glastonburyct.gov/events, or the Sharing Tree (Senior) Newsletter, www.glastonburyct.gov/sharingtree, to view a FULL listing of upcoming events/programs and related details and registration requirements.

#### FEATURED SPECIAL EVENTS/PROGRAMS

- 'Walk This May!' Exercise Challenge Run, Walk, Roll, or Bike 31 Miles in 31 Days this May. Explore Glastonbury parks and step into a healthier lifestyle! The challenge begins May 1 to complete 31 miles of exercise, try new healthy tips, step outside your comfort zone, and explore a new park. Registration is \$5 to receive your tracking sheet. Complete the challenge to win a cool prize! Register Online at <a href="https://glastonburyct.myrec.com">https://glastonburyct.myrec.com</a>.
- Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event May 1; 8AM 1PM
- Brush Disposal Day May 15; 7AM 3PM. Residents may dispose of BRUSH ONLY without fees at the Transfer Station & Bulky Waste Facility.
- Y&FS' Summer Musical "Children of Eden Jr." Auditions for residents 7+ years old will be held on 6/21 and 6/22 with early registration accepted now through May 14. Please contact Jessica at jessica.palazzo@glastonbury-ct.gov or (860) 652-7664, or click here for more information.

#### **VIRTUAL Programs**

- May 6 "Go, Van Gogh!" Program for Adults 6:00 PM
- May 12 and May 26 Empowering Parents Support Group 5:30 PM
- May 17 Titanic: A Date with Destiny Adult Program 6:00 PM
- May 19 Name that Tune and Sing-Along with Emily Hope 2:30 PM
- May 26 Cookbook Club for Adults (21+) 6:30 PM
- May 28 Sing-Along with Dr. Uke 2:00 PM

#### **Weekly VIRTUAL Programs**

- Mondays Virtual Wheel of Fortune 2:00 PM
- Tuesdays, 5/4 and 5/18 Virtual Watercolor Art Classes 9:30 AM
- Thursdays "Thursday Evening Showcase" 5:00 PM
- Fridays Lifelong Learning on Tapes: The Great Courses -12:00 PM
- Fridays Game Hour with Youth & Family Services 3:00 PM

#### **HOLIDAY CLOSINGS**

Town facilities will be CLOSED on Monday, May 31 in observance of Memorial Day. This includes Town Hall, Academy, the RCC, WTML, Y&FS, the Bulky Waste Facility, and the Transfer Station.



## REGISTER FOR MUSIC & ARTS CAMP!

Music & Arts Camp is Back for Summer 2021! This four week summer camp program offers top notch instructions in music, visual arts, drama, and dance from professional teachers.

June 21 – July 15 \$299 | 8:30 - 11:55 AM Extended Day program available for children to stay until 4:00 PM.

Visit www.glastonburyct.gov/macamp for all the details!

### **COVID-19 RESOURCES**

Vaccination resources are available online through the Vaccine Administration Management System (VAMS) or through the CT COVID-19 Vaccine Appointment Assistance Line, (877) 918-2224. Additional information/resources are available on the state website at ct.gov/covidvaccine. Visit www.glastonburyct.gov/covid19 for the latest Town of Glastonbury COVID-19 updates.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING HOMEOWNERS TAX RELIEF

The Homeowners Tax Relief program is available to Glastonbury homeowners who turned 65 prior to December 31, 2020 and whose 2020 income was \$59,740 or less. NEW applicants must apply by the May 14, 2021 filing deadline. The application and detailed instructions are available at www.glastonburyct.gov/taxrelief.

Due to the Governor's Executive Order 10 in response to the COVID 19 crisis, the requirement to reapply for the Homeowners Tax Relief Program has been suspended. Applicants who were required to reapply for the program during the February 1, 2021 - May 14, 2021 filing period do NOT need to reapply and will maintain their benefits for the 2020 and 2021 Grand Lists. Tax benefit recipients will not need to reapply until the 2022 Grand List (application period February 1, 2023 - May 15, 2023).

Questions should be directed to the Assessor's office at **(860) 652-7600** or emailed to **assessor@glastonburyct.gov**.

# ADJUSTMENTS TO MOTOR VEHICLE TAX BILL

You may be entitled to an adjustment of your motor vehicle tax bill. If you have disposed of a vehicle since October 1, 2020 AND cancelled the registration, send the CT DMV receipt, along with proof of disposal, to the Glastonbury Assessor's Office at assessor@glastonburyct.gov to have your July bill pro-rated prior to issuance. If you moved the marker plates to a replacement vehicle, you will receive an automatic credit later in the tax year.

For additional information and types of proof required, please visit **www.glastonburyct.gov/motorvehicle**.



## SUNSET CEREMONIES AT THE GLASTONBURY BOATHOUSE

The Town is offering a special wedding / vow renewal ceremony package at the Glastonbury Boathouse. For \$500, couples can have a romantic, sunset wedding or vow renewal ceremony on the beautiful Connecticut River. Package includes all of your special event essentials: guest chairs, a ceremony arch and an officiant.

Saturday dates are available this April and May and the package is available for parties of 50 or fewer. (Larger parties can be accommodated for an additional fee.) To learn more, please visit www.glastonburyboathouse.com/sunset.

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### GLASTONBURY RECEIVES DEMOCRACY CUP AWARD

Glastonbury has received the 2020 Democracy Cup, an award that recognizes 4 municipalities based on town size: small, mid-sized, large, and city. Glastonbury won the 'large town' category (populations of 30,000 - 65,000), with a voter turnout of 88.66% for the Presidential Election (a record 22,595 voters participated out of 25,329-registered voters). Leading up to the election, there was a 7.6% increase in new voter registrations bringing total Glastonbury registrants to over 25,000 for the first time. The Democracy Cup acknowledges Glastonbury citizens' civic engagement throughout the state. The Registrars of Voters said that "This award also acknowledges the hard work of the Registrars of Voters and their staff, Town Clerk and Facilities staff, Board of Education facilities, and the Town Manager. There is no doubt that the people who worked on Election Day staffing our polling locations as well as counting absentee ballots contribute immensely to the success of the day." Secretary Denise Merrill presented the award at Town Hall on Friday, April 23, 2021.

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