



GLASTONBURY AT A GLANCE

SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER 2021

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As a reminder, our newsletter is being consolidated this season and sent every two months rather than every month. This edition encompasses upcoming programs, events, and announcements for September and October of 2021. We hope you continue to find this publication valuable and informative.

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

Town facilities will be CLOSED on Monday, September 6th and Monday, October 11th in observance of the Labor Day and Columbus Day holidays respectively. This includes Town Hall, Academy, WTML, RCC, Youth & Family Services, Transfer Station, and the Bulky Waste Facility. Town facilities will resume standard operating hours following each holiday.

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.

The following events will be offered in-person:

- Now through Sept. 24 - **Family Gardening at the Community Gardens** - Wednesdays at 9:00 AM and Fridays at 4:00 PM
- 9/7 - Annual Doggy Paddle at Addison Park
- 9/9 and 9/23 - Pizza on the Patio @ RCC - Seatings at 12:00 PM & 1:00 PM
- 9/22 - **Passport to Health Fair** - 2:00 PM at RCC and Fairgrounds
- 9/25 - **Town/Community Tag Sale** behind Academy - 8:00 AM
- 9/25 - Household Hazardous Waste Collection (HHW) Event - 8:00 AM
- 10/9 - Brush Disposal Day at Transfer Station - 7:00 AM - 3:00 PM
- **46th Annual Apple Harvest and Music Festival** (hosted by CT River Valley Chamber of Commerce)
 - Fri, 10/15 - 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM
 - Sat, 10/16 - 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM
 - Sun, 10/17 - 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM
- 10/30 - HHW Collection Event - 8:00 AM

COVID-19 RESOURCES

Vaccination resources are available online at ct.gov/covidvaccine. Please also visit www.glastonburyct.gov/covid19 for the latest COVID-19 updates applicable to the Town of Glastonbury organization.

BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY DECLARATIONS DUE BY NOV. 1

The Assessor's Office reminds all owners of businesses located in Glastonbury that the 2021 Personal Property declarations are due no later than NOVEMBER 1st at 4:30 PM. Detailed instructions can be found on the declaration, which are mailed in late September. Declarations are also available on the [Assessor's web page](#).

PLEASE NOTE: The drop boxes located outside of Town Hall CANNOT accommodate personal property declarations, therefore declarations should be mailed or emailed to the Assessor as follows:

Email: assessor@glastonburyct.gov

Mail: PO Box 6523

Glastonbury, CT 06033-6523

Delivery by UPS/FedEx: 2155 Main St.
Glastonbury, CT 06033

Assessor's Office staff is available to answer questions at **(860) 652-7600**.

PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR VETERANS

Honorably discharged veterans who have served a minimum of 90 days during wartime may be eligible for a Veteran's exemption, which would be applied to their real estate, or to a motor vehicle (if no real estate is owned). Proof of military service (original DD214 discharge document) must be filed with the Town Clerk's Office on or before Sept. 30, 2021 for application on the July 2022 tax bills. Disabled Veterans may receive an additional exemption based on their percentage of disability. Proof of disability needs to be filed only once with the Assessor's Office unless there has been a recent change in the disability rating. The original DD214 must also be filed with the Town. Please contact the Town Clerk's office for additional information at **(860) 652-7616**.

NOTICE ON TAILGATING FROM GLASTONBURY POLICE DEPT.

One of the leading causes of motor vehicle accidents in the United States is tailgating. Over the past three years, tailgating has been identified as the primary contributing factor in 29% of Glastonbury crashes, and Glastonbury Police have cited 389 drivers for tailgating violations. Connecticut law requires that vehicles be driven a reasonable distance apart, and drivers responsible for a rear-end accident will usually be charged with this infraction. Drivers tailgating to harass, or due to road rage will be charged with a similar, but more serious misdemeanor offense.

A good rule of thumb is to remain 4 seconds behind the vehicle in front of you. To determine that distance, pick a reference point that the vehicle in front of you passes, and then count how long it takes you to pass that same point. If it is anything less than 4 seconds, you will not have enough time to react if that vehicle suddenly comes to a stop. Another tip is to distance your vehicle at least 1 car length for every 10 mph (e.g. 2 car lengths for 20 mph)

Many accidents can be avoided by reducing distractions and maintaining a safe distance between vehicles. During inclement weather, it is particularly important to increase your distance and decrease your speed. Plan ahead to give yourself plenty of time to get to your destination. This will reduce your stress and decrease the likelihood that you will engage in dangerous driving behavior. Please, do not drink and drive. Working together, we can keep Glastonbury roads safe and welcoming for everyone.



3RD ANNUAL DOGGY PADDLE - SEPT 7

Bring your pup out to this fun dog swim on September 7, 2021! Two (2) swim waves will be held: 4:30-5:30 p.m. and 5:45-6:45 p.m. Cost is \$10/Dog. Pre-registration is required. [Please click here to register](#). Dogs must be licensed and up-to-date on all shots. No aggressive dogs, please. Dogs must remain off-leash in the swim area and humans are not allowed in the pool. Please bring your own labeled tennis ball (if you would like to use one).

SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

National Preparedness Month (NPM) is recognized each September to promote family and community disaster planning. For tips and resources to help prepare your family or business, please visit FEMA's website at [ready.gov.september](https://www.ready.gov/september).

SEPTIC-SMART WEEK

Each year, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) holds SepticSmart Week with outreach activities to encourage homeowners and communities to care for and maintain their septic systems. Sept. 20-24 is SepticSmart Week and the EPA website has many tips and resources for homeowners including:

- [Ways to Do Your Part](#)
- [10 Ways to be a Good Septic Owner](#)

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