

# BOLTON BULLETIN

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All of us here at the Town of Bolton want to wish you and your family a wonderfully warm and happy Thanksgiving. We feel incredibly lucky to be part of such an amazing community.

Please note that, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday, all Town offices will be closed on Thursday, November 28, 2024, and Friday, November 29, 2024. All Town offices will re-open for normal business hours on Monday, December 2, 2024.

The Bentley Memorial Library will be closed on Thursday, November 28, 2024, Friday, November 29, 2024, and Saturday, November 30, 2024. The library will resume normal hours on Monday, December 2, 2024.

Trash and recycling pick-up will be delayed by one day, starting Thursday, November 28, 2024.

We hope you enjoy this wonderful holiday with the ones you love most!



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**Join us on Saturday, December 7,  
for all the Holiday Happenings in Bolton ....**

### **8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Santa Pancake Breakfast (Bolton Fire Department)**

The Bolton Women's Fire Auxiliary will be hosting their annual Santa Pancake Breakfast.

Where: Bolton Fire House 168 Bolton Center Rd.  
Come and enjoy pancakes, sausage, coffee, and juice.  
Adults are: \$8. | Children 10 and under are \$5.  
Kids 2 and under - Free  
All proceeds go to supporting the Bolton Volunteer Fire Department.

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### **9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Winter Faire (Bolton Center School)**

Join the Bolton Recreation Department for the 2024 Annual Winter Craft and Vendor Faire! This year, we're excited to host over 30 vendors!

Location: Bolton Center School - 108 Notch Road, Bolton  
Who: Everyone is welcome, all ages!  
Cost: Free admission for community members  
Raffle Winners Announced: 1:00 PM

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### **10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Stuff A Cruiser (Bolton Fire Department)**

Our Resident Troopers will be hosting the annual "Stuff the Cruiser" toy drive.

Where: Bolton Fire House 168 Bolton Center Rd.  
When: Saturday, December 7, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Donations of new, unwrapped toys for all ages are requested. GIFT CARDS AND CASH WILL BE ACCEPTED- a separate deposit box will be available for these donations. Everyone is invited, donations are encouraged but not required. All gifts will be distributed by the Connecticut State Police to children at Connecticut Children's Medical Center.

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### Holiday Happenings in Bolton Saturday, December 7, 2024, continued ....

#### 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Read to the Dogs (Bentley Memorial Library)

Come to Bentley and meet Toby, Riley, and Amelia, three certified therapy dogs. Share the spirit of the season by reading a holiday book to these three furry friends. **REGISTER HERE.**

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#### 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tree Lighting (In Front of the Library)

Come pick up yummy hot chocolate and cookies generously vented by Alltown Fresh, make a fun holiday ornament, and hear a story from our local librarian. There will also be an exciting visit from Santa who will help us light the tree!

Thank you to our 2024 Sponsors!

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APEX Refrigeration Cooling and Heating LLC\*\*

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### FROM THE TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

#### Refund Request Forms

Please allow up to 8 weeks from October 31st to process, print and mail your check.

You can look up your account through the tax bill look up link above. If the credit no longer shows, that means we received your form, and it is starting to process. If it still shows the credit then we have not received it or we received it after October 31st, and we would need it signed and dated for a refund check to be sent to you.

If you would like this to be applied to July 2025 taxes simply do not return the form, and it will automatically roll over to July's tax bill.

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Delinquent tax bills have been mailed out. See payment options below on how to make your payment.

#### **Delinquent Motor Vehicle bills have been reported to the Department of Motor Vehicle.**

Please pay your tax bill as soon as possible to avoid having a registration held up.

It will be necessary to have all accounts paid to be able to register a vehicle. Please make sure you pay your taxes at least **2 weeks** before you need to register your vehicle to make sure you have no compliance issues. You can check DMV's online services under compliance issues to ensure you are clear before you go to DMV. If you need clearance before the 2-week period of time then you will need to make your payment with a credit/debit card online or in the office. Payment can be made with cash or money order in the Tax Collector's Office as well.

**Please make us aware you are requesting a release for DMV as it is not immediately taken off.**

IS YOUR CAR REGISTERED? Check your cars registration or check on DMV's online services for your registration's status.

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Check DMV's online services for registration status and compliance issues here: [DMV ONLINE SERVICES](#)

PLEASE BE ADVISED The Town of Bolton is under contract with TaxServ Capital services for the collection of some of the Towns delinquent taxes. If your account was sent to TaxServ, you MUST call them to discuss your account and arrange payment. If you call the Tax Collector/Assessor we will direct you to Tax Serv for payment.

TaxServ Capital Services, LLC can be reached at:  
Telephone: 860-724-9100  
Website: <https://www.taxserv.com>

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### **PAYMENT OPTIONS:**

**Option 1:** Online- Save time and pay from home and receive your receipt of payment directly to your email.

**Option 2:** In person in the lower level of Town Hall:  
222 Bolton Center Rd, Bolton CT 06043

**Option 3:** Drop Slot

**Option 4:** By Mail

Click [here](#) for more information on the payment options.

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Additional information and Frequently Asked Questions can be found on our website under the Tax Collector's Department. The link is <https://town.boltonct.org/departments/tax-collector/faqs>

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### SENIOR & SOCIAL SERVICES

Registration is required at least one week in advance for these programs.  
Space is limited. Call 860-647-9196

#### CRIBBAGE

Come play cribbage at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, December 3, and December 17.  
If it is a success, we will continue every first and third Tuesday. Help us  
spread the word, the more the merrier!

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### BENTLEY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

#### 5TH ANNUAL COZY BLANKET DRIVE

The library will be collecting NEW handmade quilts and blankets to  
benefit Cornerstone Shelter in Vernon/Rockville and Holy Family Home  
Shelter in Willimantic. The shelter residents appreciate the skill and time  
required to create beautiful handmade quilts and blankets. Drop off your  
NEW creations to the library throughout November and December.

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#### Did you know that Alcohol raises Blood Pressure?

Come find out more by joining  
Amplify for a 45 minute  
presentation on CT Adult  
Alcohol use, drinking habits  
and how it effects the body.

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE  
SCREENINGS  
WILL BE PROVIDED BY EASTERN  
HIGHLAND HEALTH DISTRICT

Date: Monday December 2nd, 2024

Time: 3pm-5pm (Presentation starts at 3:15pm)

Location: Bentley Memorial Library

206 Bolton Center Rd, Bolton, CT 06043



#### BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING & MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

December 2, 2024 - 3:00 pm

Stop by Bentley for a blood pressure screening  
performed by the Eastern Highlands Health District.  
There will also be a concurrent presentation on  
mental health facilitated by Amplify.

Registration is not required.

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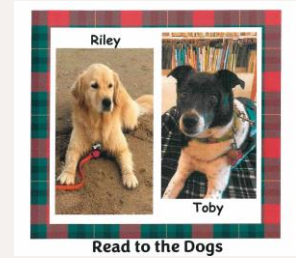
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### READ TO THE DOGS

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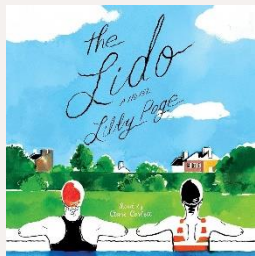
**REGISTER HERE.**



### LOTUS LANTERNS- CREATE YOUR OWN LANTERN

Thursday, December 12th at 6:30 PM

Join us for an unforgettable evening as we explore Korean culture. Traditional attire and a video presentation will highlight aspects of this fascinating culture. The evening will highlight traditional lotus lanterns, and every patron will have the chance to create their own. **REGISTER HERE.**



### BOOK DISCUSSION: THE LIDO BY LIBBY PAGE

Wednesday, December 18th at noon

Is the Lido more than a pool? Can tradition and community stop the ever-pressing crush of development? Read the book and join us for a humorous look at the power of friendship. **REGISTER HERE**

happy  
HOLIDAYS.

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### RECREATION DEPARTMENT

#### HOLIDAY LIGHT TOUR 2024



Do you decorate the outside of your house for the holidays? Let us know by **Monday, December 2, 2024**, and you can be listed on our map to join in the Holiday Light Tour around town. Join us in giving the families in our community the chance to see your outdoor holiday lights and vote for their favorite!

Click [HERE](#) to register your house. - **THIS IS A FREE COMMUNITY EVENT**

Maps will be available on the town website starting Monday, December 9, 2024, and voting will be done online only with a link listed on the map - Voting deadline- December 23, 2024

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#### LETTERS TO SANTA

Send your letters to Santa with a return address to the Bolton Recreation Department no later than **December 6, 2024**, to receive a letter back!

Mail letters to- Bolton Recreation  
Attn: Santa Claus  
222 Bolton Center Rd  
Bolton CT 06043

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Charcuterie Board Class  
Thursday, December 19, 2024 - 6:00-7:30 pm

Where: 104 Notch Rd, Bolton CT 06043  
Cost: \$55.00 | [REGISTER HERE](#)

Join the Recreation Department and Emily Love from Make Food Lovely for an exciting and delicious class where you will learn how to create your very own charcuterie board! Emily brings all of the supplies to make the board (cutting board, knives, honey wands) and food. Each guest leaves with a beautiful board to share with loved ones!

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### OTHER EVENTS AND INFORMATION

#### BOLTON MOBILE FOODSHARE



The Bolton Mobile Foodshare will be held from 10:00 to 10:30 AM at St. George's Episcopal Church, 1150 Boston Turnpike, Bolton, CT. This is an outdoor food distribution that assists families in need.

**Upcoming Dates:** Tuesdays, December 3, 17 and 31

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#### CALLING ALL BOLTON BUSINESSES!

Connecticut's Countryside has released a new regional website for Bolton, Coventry, Mansfield, and Tolland businesses. This website is **FREE** to advertise both your business and any events you may be a part of.

For more information, please click [here](#).

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#### BUSINESS OF THE MONTH

Starting this month, the Town of Bolton will be highlighting a local business for a whole month on social media, the town bulletin, and on the town's website. Please see our first business highlight on the next page.

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### Business of the Month: **CHARHAUSE COOKIE!**

The Town of Bolton is happy to announce that a new business has opened: **CHARHAUSE COOKIE**. Charhouse Cookie is a micro bakery that specializes in gluten free pastries such as their famous Macaron cookies. Everything at Charhouse is made from scratch daily with almost everything made in house. For the food not made in house, it is from other small businesses such as Pure Love Bakery located in Avon.



Charhouse Cookie is owned by Kate Cofiell, a Tolland County local who has deep roots in the area. Tired of working in the corporate insurance industry, Kate recently decided to pursue her love of baking by opening her own bakery.

She looked far and wide for a location, eventually settling on Bolton due to it being close to home and family history. Long ago, in the exact same spot as her bakery, her mother worked when it was still a restaurant!

So, on behalf of the town, we welcome Charhouse Cookie to Bolton and encourage everyone to stop by. Charhouse Cookie is located right next to Subway and Kreations Salon on Route 44.



### HOLIDAY SEASON IS HERE!

Find upcoming events on the regional calendar by clicking [here](#).

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Five Bolton High School cross-country athletes were honored at the All-State banquet. This is a record number for BHS in one season. Congratulations to Amber Fox, Dahlia Livingston, Dominic Lombardo, Shepard Livingston, and Davin Duffy.

There was an additional honor for seniors, Academic All-State, and both Shepard and Davin were honored.



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<p><b>Superintendent Search Focus Group</b> <b>For</b> <b>Parents and Community Members</b></p>
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As you are aware, the process has begun to search for a new Superintendent of Schools. Last week you were provided information about your participation in an online survey (which is open until Friday, December 13).

An additional way you can participate in the superintendent search process is to attend an in-person focus group. The focus group is designed to obtain your thoughts about the following:

- **What are the qualities, characteristics, skills, knowledge, and experiences you desire in a new Superintendent of Schools?**
- **What do you see as the pressing tasks and challenges ahead for the new superintendent in year one?**

The focus group will be held: **Monday, December 2**

**6:30 p.m.**

**Bolton High School Library**

Mark Winzler, a search consultant with the New England School Development Council (NESDEC), will facilitate the focus group. He is assisting the Bolton Board of Education throughout the search process

You are encouraged to participate in both the focus group and the survey.

**Superintendent Survey**

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BOLTON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

### *Festival of Trees*

DEDICATED TO THE LATE CATHY NELSON

PRESENTED BY

## **SIMONIZ**

DECEMBER 6-7, 2024

FRIDAY 6-8 PM  
SATURDAY 4-8 PM

Over 40 Raffle Baskets, Several Silent Auctions, 20+ Trees, Free Cookies, Cider, Egg Nog and Coffee.

Friday Night - Live Music  
Saturday Night - Visit From Santa at 6p - full picture station set up for you to take your holiday photos with Santa

All Raffle and Auction item winners pulled at 8pm On December 7th.

BOLTON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH | 228 BOLTON CENTER RD, BOLTON, CT 06043  
WWW.BOLTONUCC.ORG | 860.649.7077

### CALENDAR

November	2	Heritage Farm -7:00 p.m.
	2	Conservation Commission - 7:00 p.m.
	3	Senior Commission- 4:00 p.m.
	3	Board of Selectmen - 7:00 p.m. Town Hall
	5	Veterans Commission -9:30 a.m.
	9	Fire Commission- 7:00 p.m.
	10	Zoning Board of Appeal - 7:00 p.m.
	11	Planning and Zoning- 7:30 p.m.
	12	Town Hall Subcommittee- 8:30 a.m.
	17	Board of Selectmen- A/P Meeting 6:00 p.m.
	17	Inland Wetlands Commission- 7:00 p.m.
	19	Finance Committee- 7:15 p.m.