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THE BOSTON LEAFLET



WELCOME to the Boston Leaflet, the Town of Boston Conservation Advisory Council's newsletter, where you can find conservation related news, updates, and events of interest to our local community. Please share with friends and family and help spread the word.

Postcards Available!

Postcards featuring photos from our annual Beauty of Boston photo contest are now available for pick up. Postcards are **FREE** and available during normal business hours at the Town hall. Please see the Town Clerk and enjoy sharing our local beauty.



Boston, a Climate Smart Community

Did you know that the Town of Boston is a climate smart community? <u>Click here</u> to learn all about the Climate Smart Community Program and follow the CAC for future information on how this is benefiting our town.

MEET YOUR CONSERVATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Conservation Advisory Council (CAC) is an auxiliary board comprised of members appointed by the Town Board. We are committed to sharing knowledge and resources around conservation and the environment in order to preserve the beauty and natural resources of the Town of Boston.

In addition to advising the Town Board on conservation-related issues, our Council organizes a number of events and educational opportunities for the greater community, including our Youth Fishing Derby, Snowshoes and Snowmen, Local Environmental Awareness Fair, and many more!

MONTHLY MEETINGS

The Conservation Advisory Council meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 PM in the Planning Board Room at the Boston Town Hall. Meetings are open to the public!



MEMBERS

Mitch Tucker CAC Chair CSC Co-chair

Sharon Stuart Treasurer

Pamela Zylinski CSC Co-chair

Caitlin Tucker

Kelly Martin Town Board Liaison

Jay Jackson Planning Board Liaison



Do you live in the Town of Boston, NY?

Do you have a passion for conservation and the environment? Are you excited about preserving the beauty and natural resources within our community? Do you love to educate and engage with our community on topics around wildlife, conservation, and the outdoors? **The Town of Boston Conservation Advisory Council is seeking members!**

Would you like to learn more or apply?

Please send a letter of interest to: CAC Chairman, 8500 Boston State Road, Boston, NY 14025 or by email at cac@townofboston.com.



The Conservation Advisory Council's events are always FREE to attend. To find event details, visit:

- Our Facebook
 page
- Town of Boston
- <u>Boston-NY.com</u>

UPCOMING EVENTS



NEARBY EVENTS!

March 23rd - <u>Maple Fest</u> April 6th - <u>Spring Birding with Earth Spirit</u> April 8th - <u>Solar Eclipse</u> Tift Nature Preserve - <u>March and April Events</u>

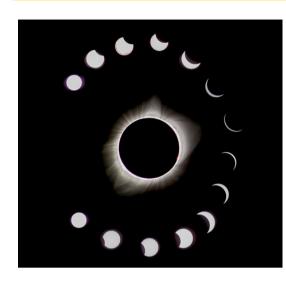




EVENT RECAP: SNOWSHOES & SNOWMEN

Many thanks to all that joined us on Saturday, February 17th for our <u>annual</u> Snowshoes and Snowmen event, where the CAC provided snowshoes to families, organized a nature-themed scavenger hunt, and offered up snowman crafts, wintry movies, and hot cocoa for attendees! We hope to see you all next year!

ECLIPSE 2024 - APRIL 8TH



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Visit the I LOVE NY Eclipse Website for information on viewing spots, safety and an Eclipse playlist by <u>clicking here</u>. A total solar eclipse is truly a once in a lifetime experience. Occurring in the same place only once every 400 years, New York State will be at the center of it all on **April 8, 2024**.

The eclipse will begin in the Buffalo region shortly after 2 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time. Full totality will begin in Erie County at 3:18 p.m. and end at 3:22 p.m. Locations in the path of totality could experience total darkness for up to 4 minutes!

> DON'T FORGET YOUR ECLIPSE VIEWING GLASSES!



The Museum and Tifft Nature Preserve will be closed on April 8.

WANTED: TOWN POND GOLDFISH

Did you know that goldfish are highly invasive and can have significant effects on local waterways if released into the wild?

Currently, we have goldfish in our ponds at the Town park and we need them removed! Should you capture a goldfish from our Town ponds, please collect it in a bucket, snap a photo, and contact the CAC by sending us a Facebook message or emailing cac@townofboston.com. We will come to retrieve it.

As a token of our gratitude, the angler who catches the goldfish will be sent a giftcard for Charlap's Ice Cream!



A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIR...

Spring is a time of renewal and regrowth as we look forward to the rest of the year. While we may have started our Spring with flurries of snow in the Town of Boston, boundless opportunities await us as the seasons change.

A heartfelt thank you to the residents of the Town of Boston, and to my fellow CAC members (both current and former) that have supported the work of the CAC throughout the past 53 years.

We look forward to seeing all of you at our outreach and educational events this year, and hope that 2024 brings much success and growth for all of the Town of Boston.

-- Mitch Tucker, Chair of the Conservation Advisory Council

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