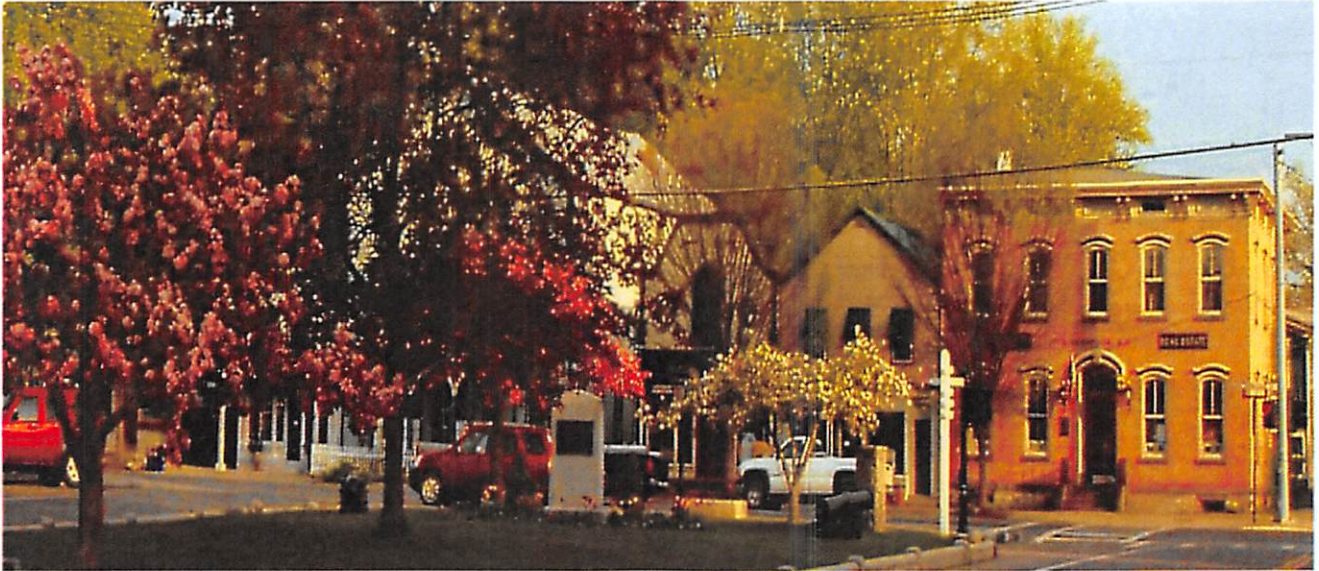


The Kinderhook Times

Spring - Summer 2021



The Kinderhook Times, Historically New

From the Mayor's Desk

Welcome to the first edition of "The Kinderhook Times" newsletter. We are always looking for new ways to share information and connect with the community and this publication will give residents, business owners, and visitors, inside access to all that is happening in our village.

The goal of our newsletter is to create content that is filled with meaningful information with updates for ongoing projects and events within the village. You will also learn a little bit about our village staff and maybe your next-door neighbor.

We want this newsletter to be valuable to you, so, I encourage you to offer your feedback to okvillagehall@villageofkinderhook.org. I look forward to your comments and hope you enjoy our first edition of "The Kinderhook Times" newsletter.

Dale Leiser

Dale Leiser, Mayor
Village of Kinderhook



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For Your Information . . .

MONTHLY VILLAGE MEETINGS

Board of Trustees
2nd Wednesday – 7:00 PM

Climate Smart Community Task Force
2nd Tuesday – 7:00 PM

Historic Preservation Commission
3rd Thursday – 7:00 PM

Planning Board
1st Thursday – 7:00 PM

Recreation Commission
2nd Monday – 7:00 PM

Zoning Board of Appeals
4th Monday – 7:00 PM

All meetings are open to the public and you are invited to attend.

DATES TO REMEMBER*

April 01	Water Bills Mailed out
April 13-15	DPW Fire Hydrant Flushing
April 30	Water bills due without 10% PENALTY
May 08	Village Wide Clean-Up Day
May 08	Farmers' Market Opening Day
May 31	HOLIDAY- Village offices closed
June 01	Village tax Bills mailed out
June 05	Spring Village-Wide yard Sale
July 01	Village Tax Bills due without penalty
July 04	People's Day parade
July 05	HOLIDAY- Village offices closed
Sept 06	HOLIDAY- Village offices closed

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VILLAGE ELECTION 2021

The Village election was held Tuesday, March 16, 2021. Congratulations to Trustees David Flaherty and Mark Browne on their reelection.



*See Village COVID-19 updates and the website for revisions due to COVID-19.

CLIMATE SMART COMMITTEE

The Village Task Force is an advisory group of resident volunteers established by the Village Board of Trustees in 2016, to consider initiatives that may be suitable for Kinderhook under the Climate Smart Community (CSC) program sponsored by New York State. The program's purpose is to provide local governments with guidance on how to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, save tax dollars and advance community goals for health and safety, economic development, energy independence and quality of life.

We have been and continue to focus on two main objectives.

1. Providing educational events and regular communications that offer practical ideas and information to community members on what each of us can do to preserve and improve our environment.
2. Working with the Village Board to foster environmentally sound policy and actions.

Some examples of these efforts are:

- The Village was designated as a NYSERDA Clean Energy Community in 2019. In 2021, NYSERDA has initiated a Leadership round from which we hope to receive additional funding for sustainability projects in the Village.
- Since its installation in 2019, usage of the Village's electric vehicle charging station has resulted in an estimated 2.15 metric ton reduction in greenhouse gas emissions.
- A continuing collaboration with the Kinderhook Memorial Library and local community groups and businesses to increase environmental awareness in our community.
- In collaboration with the Friends of the Kinderhook Memorial Library, we will continue to provide reusable shopping bags at the Village Farmers' Market. We are also exploring the possibility of having a pilot food waste composting program at the Farmers' Market in 2021.
- Working with the Library and Hannaford, we held a six-week Meatless Monday initiative in the Village in early 2020. There were more than forty families and individuals who participated. Hannaford donated gift cards and the Friends of the Library donated vegetarian cookbooks to be awarded to fifteen entrants by a random drawing.
- The planned composting workshops for children and adults in partnership with the Library and the Cornell Cooperative Extension for this year's Earth Day were, unfortunately, cancelled due to the Covid19 outbreak. However, we did obtain and install an Earth Machine composting bin at the Library's garden area.
- We continue to publish updates of our activities and achievements on the Village website and in the bi-annual Village bulletin. We also regularly post environmental information and tips on sustainability on local social media outlets like Nextdoor Kinderhook and IMBY.
- During the Village Board meetings and budget workshops, we continue to advocate for including energy saving and sustainability considerations in their decision making. One example is our continued work with the Board on converting Village street lighting to energy saving LED fixtures.
- Solar installations on two municipal buildings are planned for later this year.
- Currently, we are working with the Village Board to include the Village as a member in the Capital Region Community Choice Aggregation program in 2021. along with twelve other municipalities including the Towns of New Scotland, Bethlehem, Guilderland, Niskayuna Villages of Voorheesville and Altamont the Cities of Albany, Schenectady, Troy, Saratoga Springs, Watervliet and Glens Falls.

Thanks to the ongoing support of the Village Mayor and Trustees, the Task Force volunteers will continue to look into additional actions that will promote sustainability and lead to the Village being designated a **Certified Climate Smart Community**. With that certification, the Village will have additional opportunities for grants from New York State for future environmental projects.

The Task Force meets regularly on the second Tuesday of the month at 7PM. During this time of restricted public meetings, we are having remote video meetings. Those interested in the Climate Smart Community program can check the Village website's calendar for access to, as well as the times and dates of future meetings.

As COVID 19 continues to keep us apart, we will continue to look for ways to inform and engage residents on how we all can save energy and protect our environment.



For our Spring-Summer edition of The Kinderhook Times, our employee spotlight is shining on Dave Booth, the Superintendent of our Department of Public Works.

Born in Troy, New York, Dave is a native of North Chatham. He attended LaSalle Institute in Troy, New York and is a graduate of Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. He is a Certified Flight Instructor, a Licensed Commercial Pilot, and a Multi-Engine Instrument Instructor.

Dave is enormously proud of his two sons, Connor who is 16, and Riley who is 13. He began his career with our Village on October 20, 2010. When it comes to his job, Dave likes working with the public in an outdoor setting, while using his building and mechanical skills. So, it is not surprise, that Dave's favorite weekend activity is working on his home. He also enjoys listening to Country music. Spring, summer, and fall are Dave's favorite seasons, and his hobbies include woodworking and a love for fishing. As a sports enthusiast, he enjoys Hockey and Lacrosse. Reading is another pastime for Dave and his favorite book is "Devil in the White City" written by one of his favorite authors, Erik Larson. Other authors that top Dave's list include Caleb Carr, Steven King and Jimmy Buffett (yes, the singer and song writer).

We asked Dave if he could go anywhere in the world, where would he like to go and why? He responded, the Caribbean for offshore fishing and British Columbia to fish for salmon. When Dave said he loves fishing, he really meant it.

Thanks Dave, for letting us shine the Employee Spotlight on you!

Did You Know?

Martin Van Buren was born in Kinderhook on December 5, 1782. He was raised in a family of modest means and they were unable to afford the cost of college for Martin. However, Abraham was able to secure a place for his son in the office of a local lawyer.

Martin worked hard and was able to open a law office in Kinderhook in 1803. Over the course of the next sixteen years, Martin was married, had a family of four sons and lost his wife in 1819. In the coming years, Martin Van Buren rose through the ranks of state and national politics. He was a state senator and state attorney general. On the move once again, in 1821 he was elected to the U.S Senate. In 1828 Van Buren gave up his senate seat to become the governor of New York. Martin later resigned to serve as secretary of state under Andrew Jackson. In his second term Jackson chose Van Buren as his vice president. In 1836 Martin Van Buren was elected President of the United States. He was the only president whose first language was Dutch, not English. During his political career, Van Buren popularized the term "OK" which was an acronym for "Old Kinderhook".

Over the coming years, Martin's political endeavors spiraled downward due to his opposition of slavery. In 1840 he moved to Lindenwald, his estate and farm just outside of Kinderhook. Martin Van Buren died in 1862.



Recreation Commission

The Village of Kinderhook Recreation Commission will be hosting a fun Easter event again this year on Saturday, April 3rd. Be on the lookout for more specific details as we get closer to the event.

Help Wanted: Summer is fast approaching, and the Recreation Commission is optimistic about being able to offer our fun summer program again this year and are looking for enthusiastic and energetic individuals to fill the following positions:

Director - applications due by May 3, 2021

Assistant Director - applications due by June 7, 2021

Counselors - applications due by June 7, 2021

The summer program runs for six weeks during the months of July and August from 9 am-noon. It is the perfect job for high school or college students. Applications are available at the Village Hall and on the Village website. Applications and resumes may be dropped off at the Village Hall in the front drop box to the bottom right of the front door or may be sent to: Village of Kinderhook
Recreation Committee
PO Box 325
Kinderhook, NY 12106

All Village of Kinderhook children who will be entering Kindergarten through 9th grade in September 2021 may register for the summer program. Applications will be available at the Village Hall and on the Village, website starting in June. Further information can be obtained by calling the Village Hall at 518-758-9882.

Kinderhook Fire Department New Member Campaign

The **Kinderhook Fire Department** has a long history of providing emergency services and assistance within our fire district and to adjoining communities. The men and women who respond for the Kinderhook Fire Department take pride in helping their neighbors whenever and wherever support is needed. **Fact:** The reliance on Community Fire Departments continues to rise, yet the number of responding Volunteer Firefighters is on the decline. So, the question remains:

"Will we have enough firefighters to handle emergencies when called?"

In response, the Kinderhook Fire Department is sounding a **Recruitment Alarm**. Like many fire departments in the Capital District, we need to increase our membership to respond to fire calls and other 911 emergencies. Membership is made up of people like you that live or work in the Kinderhook Fire District and are willing to join other dedicated men and women volunteer firefighters who serve this community proudly. Join the Kinderhook Fire Department and receive free training in any of these vital positions: Interior Structural Firefighters, Exterior Firefighters, Fire Apparatus Drivers, Fire Police, Pump Operators, Safety Officers, and many more. If you are 18 years or 65+, get the training that is suited to you and respond with us! If you are at least 18 years of age, a resident of the fire district or work in the Village and are interested in serving as a volunteer, please contact Fire Chief Matt Cohn 518-755-9259, Mayor Dale Leiser 518-758-6177 or any member of the Palmer Engine and Hose Company. In addition, the Palmer Engine and Hose Company Ladies Auxiliary are seeking members. Ladies interested should contact Auxiliary President Tonya Hunter at 518-758-7050.

Burning fires within the Village of Kinderhook As we move into the spring season, The Village Board of Trustees would like to remind all village residents that the open burning of leaves, branches, limbs, and vegetation is not allowed under any circumstance. In addition to, under no circumstances shall anyone burn any garbage or trash including plastics, treated wood, petroleum, batteries, rags, magazines and cans of all sorts, whether in a burn barrel, stove or in an open fire.

Residents may have a small fire in a metal fire pit, a small fire used for cooking or a small camp fire provided that only clean untreated and unpainted wood or charcoal is used as fuel and the fire is attended to at all times until extinguished. It is recommended that the fire pit have a metal screen over the fire to keep burning embers from flying away.



**Know Your Neighbor
AnnaLee Dragon**

Our neighbor, AnnaLee Dragon is the first neighbor to be highlighted in The Kinderhook Times.

AnnaLee has lived in the capitol region for eleven years. For nine of those years, she has been the Director of the Kinderhook Memorial Library. AnnaLee jokes that she ended up in this job because she was raised by hippie parents. She said that they taught her that she should spend her time and energy on things that make a difference in the world and leave it a better place that she found it. Her mom was a voracious reader and instilled in AnnaLee the love of books in early life. She said that “this job is the best because I get to be around books and readers, but also because libraries are community centers and I get to help people with a variety of things each and every day. At my core, I’m a people-person and a helper”.

Something about the library that most people don’t know is that they became fine-free last year removing a barrier to access for some and making the library equitable for all. The library is just as much about community and technology as it is about books. The Kinderhook Memorial Library is the only library in Columbia County with three full-time certified Librarians. With history being the strong base of our village, the library building was constructed to be a library right from the beginning. The funding was provided by Mrs. Caroline Davie Lloyd, in honor of her father Mr. George Davie whose portrait hangs over one of the library fireplaces.

According to AnnaLee, asking a Librarian what the title of their favorite book is like asking a parent which child is their favorite. She said, “if forced to pick from among my many literary loves” she would pick *The Alchemist* by Paulo Coelho, which had a profound impact on her life.

According to AnnaLee, the grand opening of the new library building would rank right up there as one of the most memorable moments of her life. “It was the culmination of many years of long hours and hard work for a large group of people, myself included”.

One piece of advice for someone who is considering a career as a Librarian, “Don’t become a Librarian because you love books; do it because you love learning and people. It is rewarding beyond all explanation. This career is an act of service to others, and it will give you back everything you put into it and then some. Being a Librarian requires a Master’s Degree in Information Science, which many people don’t realize.”

Senior’s Corner

OFFICE FOR THE AGING TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM CONTINUES TO RUN!

If you need transportation, the OFA has it! Their transportation program has been in operation since 2016 and has continued through the pandemic! The OFA has two vehicles, one a transportation van and the other a transportation bus that has a lift to assist individuals into the vehicle. During the COVID-19 crisis, they are focused on protecting our clients and staff. Clients and staff are required to wear masks while on the vehicle. Riders must maintain social distancing and sit at least 6 feet apart. The number of riders on the vehicle at any time has been reduced due to the social distancing requirement. Hand sanitizer is available for usage on our vehicles. Vehicles are sanitized by staff throughout the day.

If you need a non-medical ride within Columbia County to the store, bank, pharmacy, etc. please call us at 518-828-4258. Rides for medical appointments can be arranged through the Columbia County Healthcare Consortium by calling 518-822-8820.

Our Walkable, Bikeable Village

We are fortunate to have a very walkable, bikeable village. Almost every time that you drive our streets, you see residents and nonresidents walking, jogging, and biking on our sidewalks and streets. This has increased with the opening of the Albany-Hudson Electric Trail and the Pandemic. In normal years, the village is the site of the weekly Kinderhook Runners Club runs on Saturday and Sunday mornings as well as Wednesday evenings and the annual OK5k. It is and has been the site of other walking, running and biking events. We would like to remind motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians of a few rules of the road and safety tips to assure the safety of all users of our streets.

Motorists:

- Follow the speed limits.
- Be alert at all times for walkers, joggers & bicyclists.
- Be prepared to share the road with bicyclists, such as where there are parked cars near the center of the village and on narrow streets.
- When passing walkers, joggers, and bicyclists, give them as much space as possible, especially when there is no other vehicle approaching.
- At non-signalized intersections, yield for pedestrians in the crosswalks.
- Obey the signage as you approach the AHET crossings.
- With the Albany-Hudson Electric Trail open, be especially alert of the AHET crossings at Route 9, Albany Avenue, Eichybush Road and Gaffney Lane. Also be aware that the 300' section of Sunset Avenue, between Albany Avenue and the AHET, has pedestrians and bicycles in the roadway.

Bicyclists:

- Wear bike helmets. Bicyclists under the age of 14 are required by law to wear an approved safety helmet.
- Always ride in the same direction as traffic. Never ride in the street or on a shoulder against traffic.
- Ride single file when being overtaken by vehicles.
- Have reflectors, lights, and reflective gear if riding at night.
- Youngsters riding on sidewalks should be courteous and yield right-of-way to walkers. When approaching a walker from the rear, announce your presence. Bikes should have bells to use for this purpose.
- Obey the signage on the AHET especially at the street crossings.

Pedestrians:

- Use the sidewalks whenever they are available.
- If walking or jogging in the street, always walk or jog against traffic.
- Walkers and joggers should stay as far left as possible when oncoming vehicles are approaching.
- When walking at night, wear bright, reflective clothing and wear or carry night walking lights.

For recreation and better health, we encourage residents and nonresidents to enjoy our beautiful village by walking, jogging, or biking on our sidewalks and streets and on the AHET. **Let's try to assure that we drive, ride and walk safely!!!**

Albany-Hudson Electric Trail

The Empire State Trail, including the 35-mile Albany-Hudson Electric Trail between Rensselaer and Hudson, is now open. It provides a facility for recreation and healthy living and will bring increased business to the village. The Albany-Hudson Electric Trail Safety Tips, produced by the Hudson River Valley Greenway, are included in this bulletin.

Trail Safety Tips



The AHET trail welcomes bicyclists, walkers, and runners of all ages and abilities. For everyone's safety, please follow these rules.

FOR EVERYBODY



Be Alert

Don't use devices that prevent you from hearing what's happening around you.
The AHET trail is open from dawn to dusk.



Stop at Trail/Road Crossings

Make eye contact with drivers and other trail users before proceeding.
Use the marked crosswalk.

BICYCLE SAFETY



Go Slow

When the trail is busy.

On your left :)



Alert Other Users

When passing.



Wear a Helmet

NYS law requires helmets for everyone under the age of 14.

ON-ROAD SECTIONS



Bicyclists:

Ride single file on the road shoulder, in the same direction as traffic.



Pedestrians:

Use sidewalks where available.
When traveling on road shoulders, walk or run against traffic.



The Importance of Resolving Open & Expired Building Permits

Ordinarily, a contractor or homeowner must apply for a Building Permit, issued for six (6) months, to construct an addition or alteration and, once construction is completed, the contractor or homeowner must then have the Code Enforcement Officer inspect the addition or alteration.

If the Code Enforcement Officer finds the addition or alteration to be up to code, then the Code Enforcement Officer closes out the Building Permit and issues a Certificate of Completion.

An open or expired Building Permit is a permit that has been issued by the Village Building Department but has not been formally finalized in accordance with established regulations, typically by means of a final inspection, within the six-month time period provided. Once the time has lapsed for the permit to be closed by the Code Enforcement Officer, it is referred to as open or expired.

There are several reasons why a permit may not be closed; 1) a contractor/owner may obtain a permit, but not start or complete the work, 2) the work is completed, but the contractor/owner never asked the Building Department to perform an inspection, 3) an inspection is done, but deficiencies are noted that the contractor/owner does not correct, or 4) the contractor/owner does correct the deficiencies but fails to get the work reinspected.

One of the biggest obstacles for home sellers these days is the issue of open permits. Often the person selling their home has no idea about his or her own permit situation. The property owner may have had some work done in the past and their contractor told them everything is "good to go" and somewhere down the road they may find the permit is still open.

It is not uncommon for an expired or open Building Permit to be revealed upon the issuance of a Title Report by the Title Company retained by the prospective purchaser for title insurance. The Title Company will routinely contact the Building Department to ascertain whether there are any open Building Permits.

If open and/or expired permits exist and remain unresolved, these permits become the responsibility of the new homeowner. The new owner will then be responsible for paying all fees and/or fines and will be required to complete the unfinished work. If the permit is not properly closed, the Building Department may be able to order the removal of the work on the property. In some instances, the closing of an open Building Permit can be a costly and time-consuming endeavor.

Homeowners/contractors can address expired Building Permits and close any open Building Permits by contacting the Village Building Department to discuss renewing the permit or arranging for any missing inspections to make sure the permit is properly resolved.

Once resolved, a Certificate of Completion will be issued that indicates an addition or alterations made to the building (i.e., a garage, dormer, central air conditioning, etc.) has been inspected and approved in accordance with the Building Permit Application to the standards of the New York State and Village Building Codes.

Please contact Village Code Enforcement Officer, Peter Bujanow, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 7 AM – 9 AM Wednesday 4 PM – 6 PM at 518-758-8778 x 302 or pbujanow@villageofkinderhook.org, if you have any questions.



Kinderhook Memorial Library
18 Hudson Street, Kinderhook, New York 12106
518.758.6192

Hours

Closed Monday

Tuesday	Friday
10 am – 5 pm	10 am – 6 pm
Wednesday	Saturday
2 pm – 8 pm	10 am – 2 pm
Thursday	Sunday
10 am – 5 pm	12 pm – 4 pm

The Kinderhook Memorial Library serves to enrich the quality of life for a diverse and growing constituency of all ages by providing resources and services that contribute to individual literacy, education, and entertainment. The library is dedicated to encouraging children and adults in a love of reading and appreciation for libraries. Resources and services are provided for free to patrons. For more information about programs and other events at the library, or to register for a library card, visit our website at www.kinderhooklibrary.org.

Book Talks with AnnaLee

Online Video. Every Monday. If you're looking for your next great read, or just miss talking books with our librarians, then these weekly book talk videos are for you! Each Monday, AnnaLee posts a video on our Facebook page and our website where she discusses a new genre or title. From new book unboxings, to fantasy, to biography, no subject is left unexplored! Watch each Monday, or pick a day of your choosing. The videos are available whenever works for your schedule.

Bunny Hop!

Library Grounds. All day, Thursday, April 1; Friday, April 2; Saturday, April 3. The Bunny Hop is back (albeit a little bit different this year)! It will be a passive program this year in an effort to keep it socially distanced, so we will be replenishing eggs throughout the day on April 1st through the 3rd for you to find! Please make sure you are mindful of others who would also like to hunt for eggs by only taking up to 8 eggs each! Masks required...happy egg hunting!

National Library Week: Welcome to Your Library!

Sunday, April 4 – Saturday, April 10. This week, the Kinderhook Memorial Library joins libraries nationwide in celebrating National Library week. In 2021, we're reminding everyone that libraries extend far beyond the four walls of a building – and that everyone is welcome to use our services! To show our appreciation for our patrons, stop by our curbside pick-up table and grab a free button made by our staff showing your love for your Library.

Take-Home Craft Kits for Kids!

Online/Curbside Pick-Up. On the first Thursday of each month, join Mandy online as she walks us through a brand-new take-home craft for each month! You can call or email us at the Library to get your take-home craft kits throughout the month!

Teen Garden Club

Online. Saturday, April 24, 12pm. Celebrate Earth Day and work on your green thumb this year by registering for our Teen Garden Club! Register by the deadline of April 15, then you can pick up your garden kits April 17 – 23 and join us for our first online meet and greet Saturday, April 24 at 12pm. This club will be ongoing, with different activities and challenges throughout the seasons. Our spring activities will include making seed bombs, flower growing contests, and a book discussion of the novella *Seedfolks* by Paul Fleischman. The first 10 registrants will receive a free copy of the book in their kit!

Make a Pen-Friend!

Curbside Pick-Up. Social distancing doesn't have to mean social isolation. While things are improving, we're still being advised to keep our social gatherings to a minimum, and many of us miss our interactions with others. If you're tired of technology, why not go the old-fashioned route of letter writing! If you're interested in having a pen friend to swap letters with, register by calling the Library. We'll match you up with a local buddy, and even provide stationary and some stamps for you to pick up curbside! Let's make checking the mail a fun activity instead of a chore!

Kinderhook Memorial Library (continued)

Outdoor Story Walks

Library/Hudson Street. All month, May & June (Different story each month) We cannot wait to welcome the sunshine and warmer weather by bringing back our beloved story walks! We will be sharing two new tales that you can read by taking a leisurely stroll up and down Hudson street. Make sure you take a free ice cream coupon for a treat when you're done!

Bluebird Houses

Outdoors at the McNary Center, St. Paul's Church, Silvester St. Saturday, May 1, 1pm (Rain date will be Saturday, May 8, 1 pm). Local farmer H.D. Hilton will lead this exciting environmentally focused workshop where children and their caregivers will build and paint wooden bluebird boxes! Learn about the nesting patterns of bluebirds and tips on how to successfully keep your bluebirds hanging around once your box is complete. Ages 5-8 with a parent or guardian (we'll be using hammers and nails!). Program will be facilitated outdoors in a socially distanced manner. Masks required. Supplies are limited and registration is required.

Documentary Discussion: *The Louvre*

Online. Sunday, May 2, 1pm. If you miss traveling as much as we do, join us for a virtual trip to Paris to visit the Louvre! First you'll screen the award-winning documentary *The Louvre* directed by John J. Sughrue, Jr. You can watch it on the Hoopla app using your Library card, or you can borrow the DVD. Then we'll have a live online discussion about the film and your impressions! Register to join this program on our website or by calling the Library, and we'll send you a link for the online discussion.

The Great Teen Socially-Distant Scavenger Hunt: Part 2!

Friday, May 7 – Friday, May 21. We're bringing our socially-distanced scavenger hunt back this spring, for all kids age 12 – 18! Using your ingenuity, creativity, and exploration skills, find and photograph the items on our list and upload them before time is up. Check our website for more info and instructions on May 7!

KINDERHOOK BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION

For more than thirty years, the KBPA has supported and promoted Kinderhook businesses and held community events that have become cherished traditions for both residents and visitors. The KBPA invites new businesses to join. For more information, contact Kim Voltz at realty@andersonagency.com.

Kinderhook Farmers' Market. The Kinderhook Farmers' Market, Columbia County's longest running market, is sponsored by the KBPA. Opening day is Saturday, May 8 - 8:30am to 12:30pm. This season, the market will again host a food-donation table staffed by volunteers from Here 4 You on the first and last Saturday of each month from June to October. The amazing generosity of market goers and the market's farmers during the 2020 season yielded donations of \$2,150 in cash, 135 pounds of fresh produce, and 228 pounds of canned goods and nonperishables for distribution by the **Valatie Ecumenical Food Pantry**. If you'd like to receive the farmers' market weekly newsletter with updates on what's happening every Saturday, please send your email address to Renshu5@aol.com.

KBPA Sponsored Events

May 8 - October 9. Kinderhook Farmers' Market Every Saturday - 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM
June 5 Spring Village-Wide Yard Sales
July 4 People's Parade
October 9 Fall Festival & Fall Village-Wide Yard Sale
October 31 Reading of *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*

Concerts in the Village (CITV) looks forward to resumption of "actual" programming, just as soon as it is safely and responsibly possible to do so. Artistic Director David Smith is hopeful that this will be in the fall of this year (2021), beginning CITV's 11th season with its 43rd concert. For updates, including announcements of offerings on WMHT radio, please visit concertsinthevillage.org.


**COLUMBIA COUNTY
HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

The Columbia County Historical Society's four historic properties—the Museum & Library, c.1820 James Vanderpoel House, 1737 Luykas Van Alen House and c.1850 Ichabod Crane Schoolhouse—remain temporarily closed. Past and current exhibitions may be previewed online here: www.cchsny.org/exhibitions.html

Events & Happenings:

- **"Drive Through History" Continues!** CCHS announces the launch of the 2021 road trip season, with new free maps and itineraries for self-guided road trips through Columbia County's history. Download at www.cchsny.org/drive-through-history.html

- **Virtual Book Talk 4/20/21: "It's a Helluva Town: Joan K. Davidson, the J.M. Kaplan Fund and the Fight for a Better New York."** In collaboration with the J.M. Kaplan Fund and featuring author Roberta Brandes Gratz in conversation with Peter Paden and Wint Aldrich: www.cchsny.org/helluva-town.html

- **NEW *History & Heritage* magazine: Dutch Culture in the Hudson Valley.** Available late March in our online gift shop, with free local pickup. Visit cchsny.org and click Shop.

**Village of Kinderhook
Historic District**

One purpose of the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) as cited in Local Law No. 1, Chapter 75-1A "Landmarks and Historic Districts in the Village of Kinderhook", is to "...protect and preserve the long term preservation of the landmarks and historic districts which represent distinctive elements of Kinderhook's historic, architectural, and cultural heritage;..."

HPC duties include review and approval of plans for exterior alterations, restoration, reconstruction, demolition, new construction, or moving of any building or structure or feature of a landmark property within the historic district, visible from any public way. To find out if your property is located in the HPC district, go to:
<https://www.villageofkinderhook.org/downloads/Property%20Addresses-Historic%20District%202011.8.20.pdf>

An application for a Certificate of Appropriateness must be completed and forwarded to the Village of Kinderhook's Code Enforcement Officer at least ten days prior to the HPC's meeting. (Application and detailed guidelines can be found at the Village of Kinderhook's website.)

Upon HPC's review and approval, applicant is required to obtain a Building Permit from the Code Enforcement Officer prior to the commencement of work.

Conditions that do not require a Certificate of Appropriateness are cited in Chapter 75-12A "...maintenance and repair items of any exterior architectural feature of a building or structure on a landmark property or property within a historic district which does not involve a change in form, material, or texture."

The HPC treats every property as a unique and individual entity. A workshop is available for those residents who would like to discuss their specific project prior to submitting an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness.

The HPC meets the third Thursday of the Month at 7 pm, currently via Zoom. For additional HPC and meeting information, please visit the Village of Kinderhook's website at: www.villageofkinderhook.org

2020 – A Year of Giving Remembered

The Village of Kinderhook would like to take one more opportunity to acknowledge all those who donated generously during 2020 to help improve and support our community.

So many of you gave in countless ways. Your donations of volunteer time, professional services, and monetary support made possible the projects and services that improved and beautified the village's public spaces. You assisted neighbors in need, provided emergency services and mask donations, honored Kinderhook's history and supported events that created cherished memories for all, including the youngest among us.

You delivered food and made food donations, shopped for the elderly and housebound neighbors, and transported those in need to doctors' appointments, tended to the village's gardens, served on village boards, committees, and commissions. Additionally, you donated professional services to improve public spaces, documented life through historic research and photography, and supported local businesses and events. You decorated your homes and businesses for the holiday season in a way that brought both light and joy to residents and visitors.

We thank all whose names we have listed, who donated generously as individuals, businesses and as members of groups, like the Palmer Engine & Hose Company, the Kinderhook Business and Professional Association, Friends of the Kinderhook Memorial Library, Here 4 You, and the Mills Park and Persons of Color Cemetery volunteers. We are also thankful to those who gave generously in the past year whose names we may not know.

BUSINESSES

Aimee Strunk Real Estate	Homestead Tree Care
Anderson Agency	Kinder Farm
Berkshire Hathaway Blake Realtors	Kinderhook Business and Professional Association
Broad Street Bagel Co.	Kinderhook Memorial Library
Cedar Ridge Farm	Metzwood Insurance
Columbia County Economic Development Corp.	Roxbury Farm
Community Bank N.A	Saisonier
Consolidated Communications	Samascott's Garden Market
Cosmic Donuts	Schroeder Arts Consulting
Dyad Wine Bar	Stewart's Shops
Feisty Brown	Tech Partners
Focaccia Italian Bakery	The Maker Hotel
Friends of Lindenwald	The School Jack Shainman Gallery
Friends of the Library	Todd Farrell's Car Care

INDIVIDUALS

Janice Abate	Alan Appelbaum	Dave Bartlett	Robert Bluman
Mike Abrams	Warren Applegate	Mary Beck	Guenter Bochem
Michael Allen	Dawn Arnold	Madalyn Benoit	Cynthia Bogardus
Chris Anderson	Roberta Austin	Barbara Berger	Daniel Bopp
Roseann Antonovich	Bill Barford	Ann Birckmayer	Patrick V. Brown

Mark Browne
Tom Butcher
Richard Byrne
Meghan Calcagno
Paul Calcagno
Jerome Callahan
Nikki Canuteson
Dan Casey
Stacey Casey
John Chandler
Olivia Chandler
Bruce Charbonneau
Sue Charbonneau
Benjamin Chu
Jennifer Clark
Matt Cohn
Robert Colannino
Siobhan Connally
Mary Margaret Cronin
Mark Davis
Randal Dawkins
Dave Dellehunt
Laura Dellehunt
Sally Dessner
Maria Diotte
Jessica Duffy
Leslie Dumont
Bonnie Dunham
James Dunham
Anthony Dvaskas
Dan Dyksen
Larry Eisen
Martha Enzmann
Buster Esposito
Chris Esposito
Cathy Farrell
David Flaherty
Mary Frances Faso
Julie Fels
Theo Fels
Laurie Gambee
Karolyn Garafalo
Chris Gibson
Mary Jo Gibson
Kevin Gilrain
Tom Grattan
Kim Gray
Sigrid Gray

Paul Greene
Stanley Gresens
Louise Griffith
Ed Hamilton
Jamie Hankin
Laura Hankin
Geri Hatfield
John Hatfield
Michele Hauser
Nicholas Haylett
Lisa Hendler
Denise Hess
David Horne
Tanya Hunter
Timothy Husband
Eric Hustvedt
Mary Jacome
Sharon Jensen
Jane Joseph
Peter Judge
Bill Keating
Lisa Keating
Joan C. Kelly
Laurie Kelly
Patrick Kenny
Kasey Kenny
Melody Konderwich
Sean Lally
Stephanie Lally
Grace Lang
Kristina Lang
Stephen Lang
Bill Laraway
Dale Leiser
Donna Leiser
Aileen Leventon
Lee Linderman
Kathleen Link
Brad Lohrenz
Kathy Long
George Lytle
William Mancini
Liz Martin
Sarah Martino
Dotty Masten
Bob McElligott
Donna McElligott

Pamela McFadden
Gregory Merryweather
Daria Merwin
Joyce Meservey
Sandra Miller
Deborah Minton
O'Mally Monahan
Kevin Monahan
Astrid Montagano
Claire Monteau
Maryalice Montoya
Ruth Moore
Diane Morelock
Pete Morelock
Donna Moylan
Tom Mueller
Brian Murphy
Robert Murphy
Jim Nadel
Yen Ngo
Kenneth Neilson
Marie Orlando
Susan Patterson
Anthony Paul
Sara Paul
Andrew Pellettieri
Dave Pesano
Katie Pesano
John Phillips
Ruth Piwonka
Mark Plakias
Gordon Pratt
Tina Puckett
Paula Pugliese
Joan Quilty
Sharon Rae
Ron Rich
Sara Richards
Paul Rinehart
Bill Ross
Lisa Ross
Maria Rothstein
Irwin Rubin
Cammy Salazar
Sean Sawyer
Anne Schomaker
Frederick Schroeder
Carolyn Schultz

Janice Scott
Gregory Seaman
Hollis Seamon
Betsy Seeley
Susan Sharp
Karen Sheffer
Renee Shur
Elisabeth Simon
David Smith
Geraldine Smith
Mary Smith
Vicki Smith
George Spencer
Gary Spielmann
Wendy Spielmann
Dana Spot
Melissa Stickle
David Sullivan
Ellen Sullivan
Sue Sweet
Sandra Timber
Meg Todisco
Sandra Tolosa
Mike Urbaitis
Abe Van Alstyne
Dana Van Alstyne
Dick Van Alstyne
Gregg Van Alstyne
Nancy Van Alstyne
Sandi Van Alstyne
John Van Buren
Karen Van Buren
Shayna Vecchione
Christopher Ventura
Kim Voltz
Lawrence Waite
Linda Warner
Judith Warren
Darren Waterston
Kathleen Weingarten
Dorene Weir
Karen Westman
Chris Wills
Mark Wilson
Carol Wong
Maryann Wong
BJ Yager

THE VILLAGE OF KINDERHOOK MEANS BUSINESS!

Kinderhook's well-established businesses have dotted the village landscape for several years.

Broad Street Bagel Co. and Focaccia Italian Bakery continue to expand their menus, with a special focus on new bagel combos and Italian baked goods.

Dyad Wine Bar continues to focus on an evolving menu of take-out comfort-food dinners.

Hands of Bleu Massage Therapy will be reopening in May. By appointment only.

Saisonnier proudly celebrates its two-year anniversary this June. Watch for details about a special event.

Samascott's Garden Market continues to be the source of fresh produce and other fine food items.

However, since late 2020, new businesses have started up in our village and more are on the way.

- Cosmic Donuts has brought the craze for donut creations to Kinderhook, and donut lovers from across the region have been making their way to Albany Avenue to get a taste.
- Out on Broad Street, Bones Barbershop is attracting a young, hip clientele looking for the latest trends in barbering, while still providing traditional services to a clientele of all ages.
- Plans are in the works for Spumoni Gardens, an ice-cream shop at 1-3 Broad Street, and Broad Street Wine & Liquor at 6 Broad Street.
- Construction and renovation are under way at 2, 4, and 8 Hudson Street on five new retail spaces plus The Aviary, Kinderhook's newest restaurant slated to open in July 2021. The project's partners are Kinderhook resident Darren Waterston and New York City restaurateur Yen Ngo.
- The Carolina House has announced a spring 2021 reopening with Christopher Knable of Chatham's Main Street Goodness/Pieconic at the helm.
- Samascott Orchards plans to have their new cider mill operating in late summer of this year. The cider mill will remain a part of the Samascott Orchards operation. They are upgrading their pressing equipment and adding a bottling line with hopes of bringing back flavored ciders they used to make many years ago like strawberry apple, grape apple, and cherry apple.
- Three Sisters Tavern and the Old Dutch Inn are located on Broad Street. The Tavern will be offering food and beverage services, the Dutch Inn provides the quarterage. They are hoping to be operational in late summer or early fall.

Due to Covid-19, there have been shortages in building supplies and interruptions in shipping materials causing unexpected delays, so opening times are approximate.

Thank You to Metzwood Insurance for providing professional services to Kinderhook residents and for being a generous sponsor of Kinderhook events for many years. The sale of the insurance company's building at 5 Chatham Street is pending.

Sister Cities – Highlighting Kinderhook's Dutch Heritage. Kinderhook congratulates Jan de Boer, the former mayor of Buren in The Netherlands, on his appointment as the new mayor of Den Helder. In February 2021, Mayor Leiser read a letter of congratulations for a video subtitled in Dutch that was aired at de Boer's farewell celebration. The village looks forward to working with Buren's new mayor on projects that will benefit both communities.

VILLAGE-WIDE SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY

It's that time of the year again, County Waste and Recycling Service will pick up items at your home on
Saturday, May 8, 2021

Please see the list below for the items that are not accepted. Items to be picked up may be placed out by the street where you put your regular garbage and they will be removed.

Please do not put items out more than 48 hours before the Saturday pick-up. **Collection will begin at 7am so please make sure your items are out prior so that you will not be missed!** Regular household garbage and recycling will be picked up as normal in the village on Thursday, May 6th and Thursday, May 13th.

The following items are **NOT** to be put out for pick-up and will not be picked up by County Waste & Recycling Service:

PAINT & TAR CANS

5 GALLON PAILS

ANYTHING CONTAINING LIQUIDS

SOLVENTS, THINNERS

INSECTICIDES, PESTICIDES

COMPRESSED GAS CYLINDERS

HOUSEHOLD & POOL CHEMICALS

LAWNMOWERS, MOTORBIKES, ETC.

CONSTRUCTION-DEMOLITION DEBRIS

TELEVISION SETS

TIRES & BATTERIES

AUTOMOBILE FILTERS

BRUSH & YARD WASTE

ASHES

LARGE APPLIANCES

MATTRESSES

UPHOLSTERED FURNITURE

ANIMAL WASTE

MEDICAL/INFECTIOUS WASTE

COMPUTER MONITORS



KISS PROGRAM

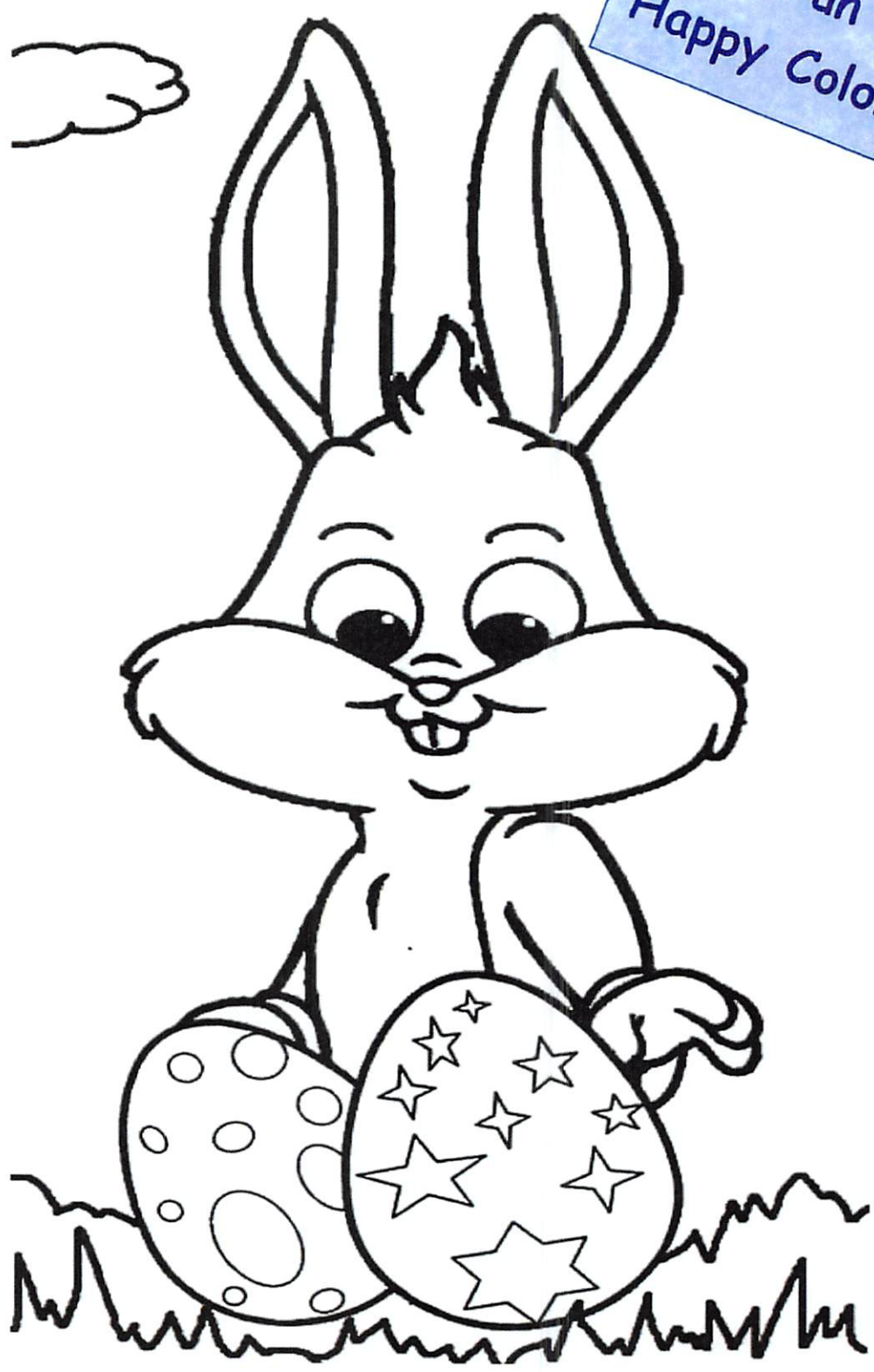
Even a partial account number, coupled with the name of your bank, or other information can be matched with any other info that's been gleaned to open accounts in your name. That's why it's important to shred mail or other documents containing potentially sensitive information.

The Town Hall in Kinderhook will once again be participating in the KISS Program, providing shredding bins for our Seniors. Please see below for dates in 2021:

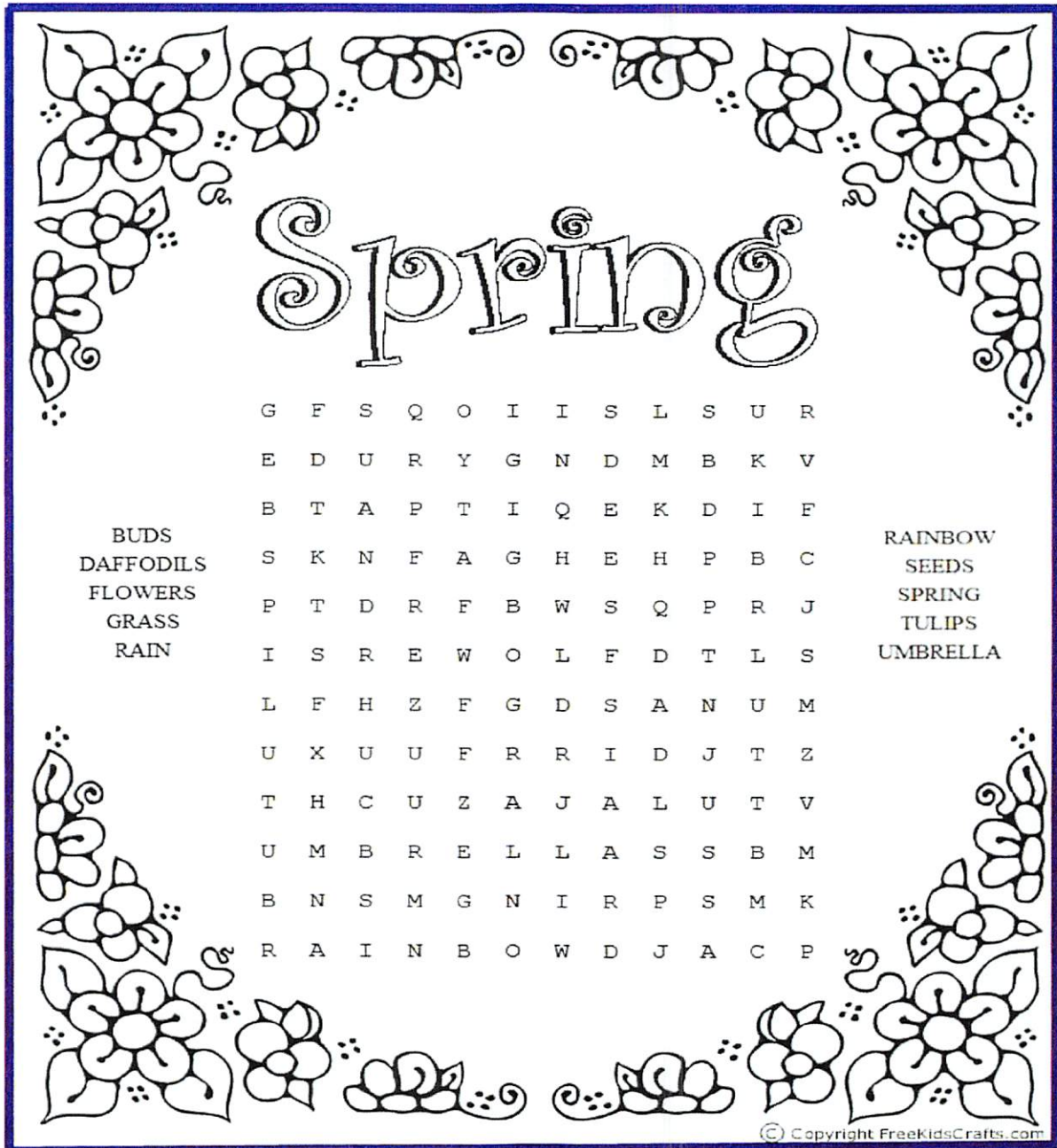
June 7th to June 26th ■ August 30th to September 10th ■ November 29th December 10th

The Kinderhook Town Hall is located at 3211 Church Street, Valatie, NY and is open Monday-Thursday from 9am-3pm.

Kids Fun Page
Happy Coloring!



SPRING WORD SEARCH



Spring

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