

Village of Kinderhook Bulletin

October 2016

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VILLAGE OFFICIALS

Mayor

James C. Dunham 758-6171

Trustees

Richard A. Phillips 758-9548

Dale Leiser 758-6177

Robert Puckett 758-1797

Robert Baumeister 758-7545

OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Mayor 758-9882

Village Clerk 758-9882

Supt., Public Works 758-9225

Village Justice 758-8778x303

Building Inspector/
Zoning Officer 758-8778x302

Secretary, Planning
& Zoning Boards 758-8778x305

Secretary, Historic
Preservation Comm 758-8778x304

Economic Development 758-9882

Dog Control Officer 275-9983

Fire House 758-9220

New York State Police 758-7010

FIREAMBULANCE**POLICE**

911

Village Elections

Village elections are scheduled for **Tuesday, March 21, 2017**, at the Village Hall from 12 Noon to 9:00 PM. The terms of Trustee Dale Leiser and Trustee Robert Puckett will expire on March 31, 2017. Registration Day is Saturday, March 11, 2017 from Noon – 5:00 PM at the Village Hall.

Did You Know?

9 new businesses have opened their doors in the village in 2015 and 2016. We welcome Broad Street Bagel Co., Claverack Cooperative Insurance, Dyad Wine Bar, Eat. Sip. Smile, Maple Hill Creamery, N.P. Trent Antiques, Schroeder Arts, Simon's Catering, and The Flammerie.

3 Village of Kinderhook food, wine, and craft beer purveyors were recognized in 2016 for excellence by Hudson Valley Magazine: Broad Street Bagel Co., Dyad Wine Bar, and Black Forest Flammkuchen/The Flammerie.

This year Kinderhook's collection of recognized historic sites grew by one when the Persons of Color Cemetery on Rothermel Lane was listed on the National Register of Historic Places and designated as a New York State Historic Site.

Samascott's Garden Market on Chatham Street is now a Village of Kinderhook Tourism Information Center.

The Kinderhook Farmers' Market continues to grow and gain regional recognition. This season added new local food producers and artisan makers and hosted a variety of unique local musicians and nonprofit organizations.

The second printing of Kinderhook's Historic Walking Tour Brochure is now available at Village Hall.

The village is host to a variety of opportunities to get involved in the arts: From fine visual arts exhibitions at The School / Jack Shainman Gallery to readings, film, lectures, and musical performances for all ages at the Kinderhook Memorial Library, to lectures and unique exhibitions at Columbia County Historical Society, to Concerts in the Village at the Dutch Reformed Church, at The School, and now in the Village Hall Upstairs, to painting classes, rug-hooking instruction, and Garden Club of Kinderhook gardening lectures presented at the McNary Center.

The village was awarded a grant by New York State Parks and Recreation, Historic Preservation to do a lighting study of the business district. The lighting study will be completed during 2016-2017.



Stay Informed – Get Involved

Sign Up for the Village’s Email List – The village is seeking to encourage increased participation in local government and community affairs. Help us keep you informed. Currently only 456 village residents out of a total of 1,300 are signed up for the village’s email list. Email notifications include service updates and alerts, announcements of upcoming village events, and meeting notifications of the various village boards and their agendas. Please subscribe to our mailing list at <http://villageofkinderhook.org>. Enter your email address on the home page underneath the menu selection bar.

News from the Village of Kinderhook Planning Board relative to the Comprehensive Plan Update

The Comprehensive Plan Committee has continued development of the Comprehensive Plan Update. On September 8, 2016, the Planning Board held a public hearing on the proposed Comprehensive Plan Update and the Planning Board and the Comprehensive Plan Committee have recommended that it be adopted by the Village Board.

The Village Board will send the plan to the Columbia County Planning Board and nearby municipalities for their review, hold a public hearing, and make a State Environmental Quality Act determination and then adopt the Comprehensive Plan Update.

Kinderhook Farmers' Market Extends Its Saturday Season in the Village Square

The final day of this season's farmers' market is October 29th when the market will host a special Halloween celebration in the Village Square. (Details to come.)

Want To Get Involved?

The village recreation commission, the farmers' market and KBPA, and the office of economic development are looking for individuals of all ages to help out with planning and volunteering for village events. If you're interested in getting involved in village events, please email okvillagehall@villageofkinderhook.org or rshur@villageofkinderhook.org. For KBPA-sponsored events and the farmers' market, contact voltz@berk.com.

Are you interested in volunteering? Do you have an area of expertise that you think would benefit the village? If you're interested, please contact okvillagehall@villageofkinderhook.org.

Kinderhook in Your Pocket – Become an Ambassador for the Village

Kinderhook in Your Pocket is a project of the Village of Kinderhook Office of Economic Development. The project encourages villagers and visitors to become personally involved in the revitalization of Kinderhook’s historic business district.

How Does It Work?

It’s easy.

1. Pick up five Village of Kinderhook business cards from the Village Hall.
2. Carry the cards in your pocket or pocketbook wherever you go.
3. When you visit a retail shop, restaurant or café, or business that you think might thrive in our community, just hand over a business card and invite the business owner to come and discover Kinderhook and the opportunities it offers.
4. When you give out all five cards, come back for more!

For the second year in a row, the Village of Kinderhook receives an excellent rating from the Office of State Comptroller in its 2015 New York State Fiscal Stress Monitoring Report.

For details go to:

http://www.osc.state.ny.us/localgov/fiscalmonitoring/satfiles/2015/Village/Kinderhook_2015.pdf

Village Hall Projects

The roof repair project is essentially complete with some work still to be done on the cupola. Several smaller Village Hall projects are in various stages including making the first floor bathrooms compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act, making various repairs and improvements to the 2nd floor, repairing the NYS Troopers entrance and painting the trim on the outside of the building.





Flushing Fire Hydrants

The DPW will be flushing the hydrants on October 12th, 13th and 14th beginning at 9:30 am. This will disturb sediment and cause the water to be discolored. This should clear up in a few hours.



Leaf Pick Up

The Village of Kinderhook’s leaf pick up will begin on Monday, October 17th. **All piles of leaves should be raked, without stones, branches and twigs, to the edge of the road or over the sidewalk to the street for pickup. Branches and limbs will not be picked up.**

PALMER ENGINE AND HOSE CO.

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 Larry Eisen 518-758-7418, Trustee Rich Phillips 518-758-9548 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.

KINDERHOOK FIRE COMPANY THANKS YOU!

The Palmer Engine & Hose Fire Company, located on Chatham Street in the Village of Kinderhook wishes to thank all those that made donations to their Biennial Fund Drive this year. Your generosity is very much appreciated.



Water Bills

Water bills are mailed out to all Village residents each year on April 1st and October 1st. Water meters are read during the months of March & September. Please have a clear path to your water meter free of bushes and snow banks. If you have an inside meter and the reader was unable to obtain the reading, please call the village hall to report your reading. If you do not have an outside reader and wish to have one installed, please contact the DPW at 518-758-9225 to schedule an appointment. Residents and real estate agencies should remember that a meter reading should be done prior to the sale of any Village property. You need to contact the Village Office at least three days prior to the closing, so that arrangements can be made to read the meter and generate a closing bill.

Miscellaneous

Street Lights - If you notice a street light out, please report it to the Village Hall with the pole number, street name and, if known, adjacent property owner. We will notify National Grid to make the repairs.

Please Clean Up After Your Dog - A \$250.00 fine may be imposed to anyone not cleaning up after their dog. Mutt Mitts are available in boxes located in front of the Village parking lot and the James Vanderpoel House for your convenience. Please help us keep the village's public and private landscaped spaces alive and beautiful by curbing your dog! Concerns should be addressed to the Dog Control officer at 275-9983.

Sidewalks and Snow - All properties adjoining a sidewalk are required by Village Law to remove snow and ice within 24 hours after snow has fallen. If the snow and/or ice is not removed, the property owner will be charged the cost of removal plus a \$15.00 fee. Please make every effort to clear your sidewalks to allow residents a safe walkable village.

Application for use of Village Property - Individuals or groups requesting use of any Village property must complete an Application for Use form. Applications can be picked up at the Village Hall. The completed form must be approved by the Village Board at a Village Board Meeting. The Village Board meets the 2nd Wednesday evening of each month. An application is also needed for placement of temporary signs in the area of the Village Square.

Village Events – Discover the Charm in Your Own Backyard

KBPA Fall Festival

On Saturday, October 8, 2016 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM is the OK Fall Festival. It is held on the Village Green. Don't miss this family event with a host of fun and free activities for all ages! Free activities include Pumpkin Painting, Scarecrow Making, Farmers Market, Bake Off and Live Music with Betsy and the ByGons.

Apple/Pumpkin Bake Off – Do you have a winning pumpkin or apple recipe? Bring your already baked entry to the judging table on the Village Square by noon on October 8th. Prizes from Samascott's Orchard include gift certificates for \$50, \$25, and \$10.



Reminder – Halloween Curfew

The Village of Kinderhook's Halloween Curfew will be in effect between 8:00 PM and 6:00 AM on October 30, 31 and November 1. During this time, any person under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent, legal guardian or responsible person who is over the age of 21, and approved by the child's parent or legal guardian, when in or upon any public street, sidewalk, playground and other public place.



Recreation Commission Halloween Party

The annual Halloween Festivities will be held in second floor Village Hall on Sunday, October 30, 2016 at 2:00 pm. There will be judging of costumes, awards and treats given out. Please join us for this fun-filled event.

Santa Claus Club

The Palmer Engine and Hose Company's Santa Claus Club is in its 70th year of bringing gifts and holiday cheer to families in the village. Village of Kinderhook residents with children ages 8 and under are eligible to have Santa visit their house on Christmas Eve! It's easy to sign up — just visit the fire department's website at <http://www.kinderhookfiredept.org/> and follow the link to the registration form.

Deadline for registering your child is December 3, 2016. Even if you've had Santa visit your child in the past, please re-register online so we have the most accurate information available.

Please share this information with your friends and family in the village of Kinderhook! The Santa Claus Club is made possible by volunteers and donations from residents of the Village.

Donations & volunteering inquiries can be mailed to:
Palmer Engine and Hose Santa Claus Club
PO Box 191 Kinderhook, NY 12106

Martin Van Buren Wreath Laying

On Monday, December 5, 2016 at 11am the Friends of Lindenwald will sponsor the Martin Van Buren Wreath Laying Ceremony at the Kinderhook Cemetery. This annual event honors President Van Buren on his birthday and includes presentation of a wreath from the President of the United States.



Village Candlelight Night

Discover the joy of the season and bring your family and friends to Kinderhook's most charming event of the year. **On the evening of Friday, December 9, 2016 from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM, the Village of Kinderhook will begin the holiday sparkle with the annual Candlelight Night in the Village Square and in Businesses and Locations throughout the Historic Business District. Santa, and Mrs. Claus, wagon rides, live music, holiday lights, food, artisan crafts and gifts, seasonal decorations in the Vanderpoel House of History, and much more!**

Building Inspector

Glenn Smith is the Building Inspector and Code Enforcement Officer. The Building Department's hours are: **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 6:30AM to 9:00AM and every Wednesday from 5:00PM to 7:00PM.** Appointments may be made for non-office hours. *Mondays and Fridays are inspection days.* Glenn may be reached at 518-758-8778 ext 302. You may leave a message after hours, and the building inspector will return your call.

Just a friendly reminder pertaining to the Village of Kinderhook Code on displaying political signs; Chapter 130-19 section C Paragraph 16 states: "Posters, Temporary, nonpermanent posters covering such things as political events, sporting events, shows and elections shall not be displayed until four weeks prior to event and must be removed within five days after the event. No such signs should be attached to a tree or utility pole." The first date of displaying political signs for the upcoming November 8, 2016 election would be October 11, 2016 and they would need to be removed no later than November 13, 2016. Thank you in advance for adhering to the Code and making the Village a beautiful place to be.

Kinderhook Memorial Library

PO Box 293 ** 18 Hudson Street
Kinderhook, NY 12106 518-758-6192
Email: info@kinderhooklibrary.org
www.kinderhooklibrary.org

Library Hours

Monday Closed
Tues, Wed & Thu 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
Friday 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturday 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Sunday 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

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 which contribute to individual literacy, education and entertainment. The library is dedicated to encouraging children and adults in a love of reading and an appreciation for libraries. Resources and services are provided for free to patrons. For more information about programs and other events at the Library, visit our website at www.kinderhooklibrary.org.

Nov. 18 at 5:30 and Nov. 20th at 4:00. Auditions for our annual Teen Murder Mystery. All actors age 12-18 are encouraged to attend!

Dec 4th at 4pm. Classical Guitar performance with Eric Roth.

Dec 9th 6:30-8:30pm Nat Phipps Trio

Dec 27th at 2pm Sciencetellers: Dragons and Dreams, a magical story for kids K+ at Village Hall 2nd Floor.

Save the Dates – Concerts in the Village

October 29 4pm Baroque, Classical Program - Reintroducing Kinderhook's historic performing space in the Kinderhook Village Hall Upstairs. David Smith, Director of Concerts in the Village, considers the second floor of the Village Hall to be an acoustically superb performance space.

November 13 4pm - Royal Handel Kinderhook Reformed Church

December 9 Music of the Holiday Season on Candlelight Night - The School / Jack Shainman Gallery

December 18 7th Annual Celebration of Lessons and Carols - Kinderhook Reformed Church

For details, go to www.concertsinthevillage.org



Important Garbage Reminders

Garbage pickup may be delayed due to holidays or snow and ice this winter. If this should happen, we will post a notice on our website at www.villageofkinderhook.org as well as sending out an email blast to those residents on our email list. **You may sign up on our website for email news announcements and be one of the first on your street to know of these important updates!!**

Garbage pickup for the week of Thanksgiving will be on Friday, November 25, 2016 and for the week of Christmas will be on Friday, December 30, 2016.

Both papers and containers will be picked up every Thursday. Please have garbage and recyclables out by **7:00 AM** to ensure pickup. **Pick-up times do vary by street week to week, so please ensure your garbage is out by 7:00 AM. We cannot guarantee pick-up for items placed on the curb after 7:00 AM.** All bags of garbage must have stickers – red stickers (\$2.50) for 30 gallon bags and green stickers (\$1.50) for 15 gallon bags. **Bags may NOT exceed 35 pounds in weight.** **When placing your recyclable containers at the curb, please be sure to place them as indicated by the arrows on top of the container to allow for automated pick-up. Also, do not place containers up against other items such as a mailbox or place any items on top of the container.** Any cardboard that is left out for recycling cannot be any larger than 2'x2', otherwise it will not fit into the truck. Garbage stickers may be obtained at the Village Office during business hours of 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, Monday through Friday, and on Wednesday evenings from 5:00-7:00 PM. Stickers are also available at the Village of Kinderhook Stewart's.

Kinderhook Yard Waste

The Town of Kinderhook's compost site, located on Knickerbocker Lake Road, will be open on Saturdays through November 26, 2016. The site is located off of Route 9 just past Knickerbocker Lake on your right hand side. Punch cards can be purchased for \$10.00 each at the Town of Kinderhook Hall, 3211 Church Street, Valatie (784-2233). Each card has 10 punches and each load of waste is equal to one punch.

◆◆ DATES TO REMEMBER ◆◆

Oct. 1	Water Bills Mailed
Oct. 8	OK Fall Festival
Oct. 10	Columbus Day Holiday
Oct. 12, 13, 14	DPW flushing hydrants
Oct. 17	Leaf pickup begins
Oct. 29	Last Day of Kinderhook Farmers' Market in the Square-Halloween Celebration in the Market.
Oct. 30	Recreation Commission's Halloween Party 2 PM 2 nd floor Village Hall
Oct. 30	3:00 Reading of Legend of Sleepy Hollow
Nov. 11	Veterans Day Holiday
Nov. 24	Thanksgiving Holiday
Nov. 30	Approximate date to end leaf pickup
Dec. 5	Martin Van Buren Wreath Laying
Dec. 9	Candlelight Night
Dec. 26	Christmas Holiday

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Jan. 2	New Year's Holiday
Jan. 16	Martin Luther King Holiday
Feb. 20	Presidents' Day Holiday
March 11	Voter's Registration
March 21	Village Elections

Save the Dates – Columbia County Historical Society

October 11 7:00pm Historian and Author Ruth Piwonka will present a program on Dutch kitchens, kitchen artifacts and activities, and foodstuffs, entitled "A Well-Rounded Diet Served on Wonderful Ceramic Pieces".

October 17 6:00pm Lecture: 18th century Albany cabinetmaker Thomas Spencer.

November 12 5:00pm Historic Hudson + CCHS: Historian Peter Cipkowski discusses Toll Houses of Columbia County. Exact location TBA

December 2-4 31st Annual Gallery of Wreaths Vanderpoel House of History

December 9 5pm-9pm Seasonally-decorated Vanderpoel House – Candlelight Night

April 29 1pm New York State History Festival Vanderpoel House of History



Monthly Village Meetings

Board of Trustees
2nd Wednesday – 7:30 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.**

Village Office Hours
Monday-Friday
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
&
Wednesday
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Village Court Days and Hours

The Village Court holds its session on the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month at 7:00 PM with the exception of holidays. Please call 758-8778 x 303 with questions. In addition, the Justice Court Clerk is available at the Village Hall on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

Talk with your Mayor

Please call the office for an appointment
(518)758-9882

Thank you and have a happy and safe
Fall and Winter!