# Village of Kinderhook Bulletin

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# VILLAGE OFFICIALS

#### Mayor

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James C. Dunham 758-6171 **Trustees** Richard A. Phillips 758-9548 Dale Leiser 758-6177 **Robert Baumeister** 758-7545 David Flaherty 758-7733

### **OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

Mayor	758-9882
Village Clerk	758-9882
Supt., Public Works	758-9225
Village Justice	758-8778 x 303
Building Inspector/	
Zoning Officer	758-8778 x 302
Secretary, Planning	
& Zoning Boards	758-8778 x 305
Secretary, Historic	
Preservation Com.	758-8778 x 304
Dog Control Officer	275-9983
Fire House	758-9220
New York State Police	758-7010
Economic Development	758-9882

## FIRE\*\*AMBULANCE\*\*POLICE **Call 911**



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The Village would like to thank Tom Butcher from Homestead Tree Care and Fairpoint Communications for their generous donation of time to help decorate our village for the holidays. We appreciate the generosity of everyone.

# Village Spring Clean Up

Again this year, County Waste and Recycling Service will pick up items at your home on Saturday, May 06, 2017. Please see the following information on page 7 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.

# Site for Kinderhook Yard Waste

The Town of Kinderhook's compost site, located on Knickerbocker Lake Road, will be open on Saturdays beginning April 15, 2017 through November 25, 2017, weather permitting. 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. The Town Hall is open Monday-Thursday from 9:00am-3:00pm, closed Fridays.

# Village Election

We had a Village Election on Tuesday, March 21st. Congratulations to Dale Leiser and David Flaherty for winning their current seats on the Village Board. A very big THANK YOU to Bob Puckett for his 10 years of dedicated service to the Village of Kinderhook as Trustee.

### **Persons of Color Cemetery**

Re-Dedication Ceremony: May 13, 2017 11:00am Rothermel Lane

The Village is proud to announce that the Persons of Color Cemetery is now a New York State Historic Site listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Village residents are invited to attend a re-dedication ceremony featuring the unveiling of interpretive and roadside signage and a display of gravestone rubbings. Local officials and historians are expected to be in attendance to honor this historic moment. Thank you to village historian Ruth Piwonka and village residents Warren Applegate, Kathy Long, and Hollis Seamon for their dedication to this project.

## Kinderhook on the Move

13 New Businesses – Since completion of the wastewater-disposal system, thirteen new businesses have opened up in the village. This year the Village welcomes Christine Smart, Fusion Therapy, Fitzsimmons & Mills, P.C., Great Lengths Unisex Hair Salon, Maple Hill Creamery, and Roberta's Unisex Hair Salon.

Kinderhook's Climate Smart Community Task Force Is Up and Running – The Task Force consists of a small group of community volunteers invited by the Village to consider various climate smart initiatives. The mission of the task force is to listen, research, and set goals for climate initiatives; to inform and advise village officials and the public; and to assist with climate smart innovation projects. Meetings are open to the public.

Mills Park – Watch for exciting improvements this spring at Mills Park. Village resident and garden designer Sigrid Gray, along with a team of volunteers, will be installing a 5,000-square-foot, L-shaped bed to be known as the Mills Park Monarch Habitat Garden. Samascott's Orchards and Almstead Nursery will be providing assistance and materials. With the addition of new picnic tables and a redesigned sign, Mills Park is set to become Kinderhook's newest park destination. To get involved, contact Village Hall.

**Kinderhook Creek** – The Village's favorite watering hole is slated to become a designated New York State Inland Waterway. A bill introduced in the state legislature is working its way toward passage. Designation will enable communities along the creek to develop and implement local waterfront revitalization projects by applying for New York State grants.

**Kinderhook Lighting Study** – A lighting study is underway by Sage Engineering Associates. The study is supported through a grant from the New York State Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation Services and will provide a lighting plan for the Village Square area and the municipal parking lot. **Encouraging Heritage Tourism** – An expanded Village Walking Tour brochure is now available at village locations and at heritage and tourism sites throughout the county. A new rack-card promotional piece linking Lindenwald with village sites, called Native Son: Martin Van Buren and Kinderhook, is under development. The project is supported by a grant from the Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area and is being developed with the assistance of Columbia County Historical Society and Martin Van Buren National Historic Site.

### 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 470 village residents out of a total of 1,300 are signed up for the village's email list. Email notifications include garbage service updates and alerts, announcements of upcoming village events and meetings. Please subscribe to our mailing list at

<u>http://villageofkinderhook.org</u>. Enter your email address on the home page underneath the menu selection bar.

# Water Bills

Water bills are mailed out to all Village residents each year on April 1 and October 1. Water meters are read during the months of March & September. Please make sure there is clear access to your outside meter for our employees. Please note that our DPW has left several meter repair slips at various residences. If you have received such a slip, please call our DPW at 518-758-9225 to schedule an appointment to get your water meter repaired.

**REMINDER:** 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 before the closing date.



The Village's water hydrants will be flushed April 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13th. This may disturb sediment and cause water to be discolored. This should clear up in a few hours.

# Village Hall Restoration Projects Continue

Following the completion of a new roof on the Village hall last year, this winter saw the completion of two new bathrooms and office space in the Village Hall, including an ADA compliant bathroom. The work was made possible in part by a grant from the state. Work also continued in the upstairs auditorium with significant work repairing the plaster walls and re-painting of the walls and ceiling. Additional work is being planned to restore the wooden flooring and make structural changes to the stage.

## APPLICATIONS FOR USE OF VILLAGE PROPERTY

Individuals or groups requesting use of Village property or placement of temporary signs in the area of the Village Square, can pick up an application at the Village Hall or on our website under Village Forms. **PLEASE PLAN AHEAD**. Completed applications must be approved by the Village Board in advance at the monthly board meeting. The Village Board meets on the second Wednesday evening of each month at 7:30pm.



If you notice a street light out, please report it to the Village Hall at 758-9882 or via email: <u>okvillagehall@villageofkinderhook.org</u>. We will then notify National Grid. The information that we need is the pole number, street name and nearby house number and then we will notify National Grid to correct the problem.



# **D**Building Department

Glenn Smith is the Building Inspector and Code Enforcement Officer. He is available at the Village Hall every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 6:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and Wednesday evenings from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Glenn can also be reached at 758-8778 ext 302.

# DO I NEED A BUILDING PERMIT?

Building permits are documents that are obtained authorizing the start of construction or remodeling of a building in the Village of Kinderhook. The types of permits that may be required are as follows:

**Building Permit:** New construction, additions, alterations, repairs to either residential or non-residential buildings. This includes garages, decks, sheds, fences, siding, roofing, etc.

**Electrical Permit:** New installations, additions, extensions, alterations, changes, fire and accident repairs of any electrical wiring and electrical equipment associated with a structure or project. Separate permits are required for wiring, fixtures, furnaces and construction poles. For convenience, the wiring, fixtures and furnaces may be combined on one permit if they are included on the original application.

**Plumbing Permit:** New installation, removal, alterations, repair or replacement of any plumbing, gas or drainage piping work. A separate permit is required for each building or structure.

**Sign Permit:** New installations, alterations, repair or replacement of free-standing or building-fastened signage.

**Razing Permit (Demolition):** A separate permit is required for each building or structure that is removed from the premises which includes: swimming pools (above ground or in ground), chimneys, fireplaces and/or wood stoves.

<u>Minor improvements typically not needing a permit</u> <u>include:</u> Interior or exterior painting; Installing draperies or blinds; Installing carpeting or resilient floor covering; Building store fixtures (display cases); Building uncovered concrete patios; Changing lighting fixtures; and minor repairs.

The above examples are only some of the exempted projects, which are listed in various code books. Not all exempted projects have been included. Please contact the Building Department at 758-8778 ext. 302 for additional information. Some minor projects are allowed without obtaining building permits. However, depending upon the project, other permits (occupancy, special events, etc.) may be required. In either case, the construction of such projects should be in conformance with all applicable codes.



*Village Court Days and Hours* - Kinderhook Village Court holds its sessions on the first and third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. The Court can be reached by calling 758-8778 ext. 303. The Justice Court Clerk is available at the Village Hall on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Please see the Village of Kinderhook calendar of events on our website for any changes to these dates and time.



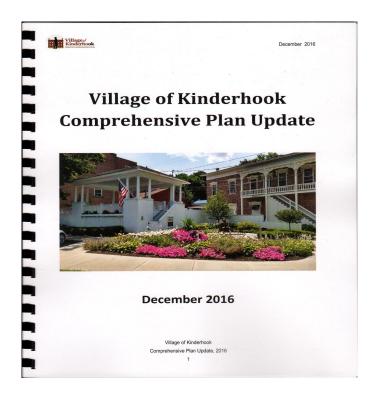
# Palmer Engine and Hose Co.

*Fire Company Seeks Volunteers*- If you are at least 18 years of age, a resident or work in the fire district, and are interested in serving as a volunteer, please contact Fire Chief Larry Eisen at 758-7418, Rich Phillips at 758-9548 or any member of the Palmer Engine and Hose Company. In addition, the Palmer Engine and Hose Company Ladies Auxiliary is seeking members. Ladies interested should contact Auxiliary President Tonya Hunter at 758-7050.

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

The Village Board approved the Comprehensive Plan in December 2016. Since this time, the Mayor and the Committee Chairman, Mark Browne, have successfully closed out the grant from the New York State Hudson River Valley Greenway Organization. Our final payment under this grant is expected in April.

The plan is being used by the Mayor as a reference document to launch new initiatives and to move ongoing projects along to completion. The approved plan can be found on our website and at the Village Hall and in the Library. The Planning Committee would like to once again extend our thanks to all that participated in this important endeavor.





**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.m8:00 p.m.
Friday	10:00 a.m5:00 p.m.
Saturday	10:00 a.m4:00 p.m.
Sunday	12:00 p.m4:00 p.m.

National Library Week: April 9-15: Libraries Transform & Food for Fines! Join us for complimentary coffee, tea, and bagels on Thursday, April 13 at 10am. To show our appreciation for our fabulous community, and help to transform it as well, we are again partnering with the Valatie Food Pantry to accept food for fines this week! For every non-perishable food item you bring in, we'll waive \$1 of fines for items owned by our library.

Civil War Surgery with Major Wayne Wednesday, April 19, 2pm @ Village Hall, 2nd floor. Civil War reenactor Major Wayne Waite will reenact a field hospital surgery right before our eyes! Using a mannequin, historically accurate surgeon's equipment, and fake blood, Major Waite will give a detailed demonstration and discuss the medical side of the Civil War. Note: these demonstrations will use fake blood, and may not be appropriate for children under 10.

Cookbook Club, Sunday, April 30, 10am @ Stuyvesant Town Hall.

Join our cookbook club! On Sunday, April 30, we invite you to gather together with fellow cooks and friends for a brunch, while exploring a new cookbook from the Library's collection. This quarter's featured title will be celebrity chef Bobby Flay's Brunch @ Bobby's, and one lucky attendee will win their very own copy! Registration is required for this event.

Bid the World Adieu: Preservation and Rededication of Kinderhook's Persons of Color Cemetery, Saturday, May 6, 4pm In mid-May, the Persons of Color Cemetery will be re-dedicated. Recently listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the history of the cemetery and how it came to be preserved will be the topic of a presentation by the Village Historian Ruth Piwonka and local volunteers who worked on this project.

# Murder Mystery Dinner Theater: Dead Men

Don't Need Dress Rehearsals Saturday, May 20, 7pm @ Stuvvesant Town Hall. You're a part of the action in this hilarious and suspenseful show, performed by local teens from the Library! Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$12 for children, with all proceeds going right back to the Library's Teen programming. Space is limited, so call to reserve your ticket today!

6th Annual BIG Truck Day Saturday, June 17, 11am-2pm @ Stuyvesant Town Hall. The BIG trucks are rolling back into town! Join us at Stuyvesant Town Hall for an afternoon of fun crafts, books, and BIG trucks. If your company uses big rigs, or you own anything cool that moves and would like to donate your time and machinery to this family fun event, we would love to have you!

Friends Book Sale @ McNary Center Friday, June 9, 5-8pm (Preview Party) Saturday, June 10, 9am-3pm Sunday, June 11, 1-3pm



**Recreation Commission** 

The Recreation Commission has been busy sponsoring many activities for the village. These activities include the Easter Egg Hunt, Community Night, Movie Night, the Annual Halloween Party, and the very popular Summer Program. We have an opening on the Recreation Commission for a volunteer to be part of our group. Anyone interested in this volunteer opportunity is asked to email us at: okvillagehall@villageofkinderhook.org or call 758-9882.

**Help Wanted!** Summer is fast approaching and the Recreation Commission is on the search for an enthusiastic director and energetic counselors to work at the Summer Program. The program runs for six weeks from July 10th through August 18th from 9am-12pm. It is the perfect job for high school or college students! Resumes may be sent to the Village of Kinderhook, Recreation Commission, PO Box 325, Kinderhook, NY 12106, dropped off at the Village Hall during business hours or dropped in our front door drop box to the bottom right of our front door. We are accepting applications and resumes until June 1, 2017.

All <u>Village of Kinderhook</u> children who will be entering Kindergarten through 9th grade in September 2017 may attend the Summer Program. Applications will be available at the Village Hall or on our website starting in June. Further information can be obtained by calling the Village Hall at 758-9882.



OK 5K Race and Youth 1 Mile Run and Reading Ramble

The 19th Annual Kinderhook Bank OK5K will be held on Saturday, June 10th at 9:00 a.m. The race starts and finishes at the Village Square. The entry fee is \$18 for non KRC Members, \$16 for KRC and USATF Members, and \$15 for students who preregister before June 1st. After May 31st, the fee for all runners is \$25. In addition to the 5K (3.1 miles), there is a 1 Mile Run for kids 4-12 (\$2.00), sponsored by the Kinderhook Runners Club which starts at 8:15 AM and the Kinderhook Memorial Library Reading Ramble (50 and 100 yard dashes), free for those 5 and under, starts at 8:40 AM. The library will give a book to each Ramble participant.

Please consider bringing a non-perishable food item for the local Food Pantry and/or women's running shoes for a running program for victims of domestic violence. Applications for this event can be obtained at the Kinderhook Bank, Kinderhook Post Office, Metz-Wood Insurance office, or online at www.ok5krace.org.



### May 13th - October 14th, SATURDAYS

Rain or Shine Kinderhook Farmers' Market on the Village Square 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. Discover Columbia County's bounty right on your doorstep and meet your neighbors every Saturday morning! Local family farmers and food producers, readymade, eat-at-the-market food, fine crafters, family and kids events, live music, and fun!

#### May 13th

Kinderhook Farmers' Market Opening Day in the Village Square.

#### May 20th

Spring Gardening Day with the Garden Club of Kinderhook in the Village Square. Perennials and annuals and baked goods for sale to benefit The Garden Club of Kinderhook. Gently Used Selection of Gardening Books for sale by The Friends of the Kinderhook Memorial Library.

#### June 22nd and August 24th

Back by popular request!!! Food Trucks in the Village Square - Columbia County's annual food truck event hosted by The Flammerie of the Village of Kinderhook. Food trucks bring an exciting variety of ethnic foods and homemade ice cream to the Village Square from 5:00 - 9:00 pm. Food, fun, and live music! Come out and enjoy.

> Please check the Village of Kinderhook's Website (<u>www.villageofkinderhook.org</u>) for more special events!!!

#### **MONTHLY VILLAGE MEETINGS**

**Board of Trustees Village Board Meeting** 

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday – 7:30 p.m.

**Historic Preservation Commission** 

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday – 7:00 p.m.

#### **Planning Board**

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday – 7:00 p.m.

#### **Recreation Commission**

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday – 7:00 p.m.

**Zoning Board of Appeals** 4<sup>th</sup> Monday – 7:00 p.m.

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

**Justice Court** 1st and 3rd Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

**Court Clerk Hours** Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

#### Talk with your Mayor

Please call for an appointment 518-758-9882

#### Building Inspector Glenn Smith

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 6:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Wednesday evenings 5:00p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

#### Village Office Hours 6 Chatham Street

Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. & Wednesday 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

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Please contact the Village Hall at 758-9882, or via email at

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if you have questions concerning any of the information in this newsletter.

Thank you and have a happy, healthy

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April 01	Water Bills mailed out
April 11-13	Flushing of Fire Hydrants
April 18	CCHS Lecture Jim Benton 16 Broad Street
April 29	NCLL Opening Day Rothermel Park
May 01	Water bills due without 10% penalty
May 06	Village Wide Clean-Up Day
May 13	Farmers' Market Opening Day
May 20	Garden Club Plant Sale
May 29	HOLIDAY-Village Hall closed
June 1 June 03 June 03 June 03	Village Tax Bills mailed out Fyfes & Drumms of Olde Saratoga Kinderhook Craft Fair 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Village Hall-Ohashiatsu Lower Back Pain Lecture
June 10 June 10 June 11	19 <sup>th</sup> Annual OK5K Run CCHS First Columbians 2017 Columbia County Historical Society First Columbians
June 17 June 17 June 22 June 22	CCHS 12pm Dedication Ceremony Ichabod Crane School House Historic Marker Big Truck Day Stuyvesant Town Hall Library Summer Reading Kick-off Party Food Truck Night in the Village Square
July 01	Village Tax Bills due without penalty
July 04	HOLIDAY-Village Hall closed
July 04	People's Day Parade
August August 24	Friday Evenings at 7:30 p.m. The Ghent Band at the Village Bandstand Food Truck Night in the Village Square
Sept. 04	HOLIDAY-Village Hall closed
Oct. 02	Water Bills mailed out
Oct. 14	Farmers' Market closing day
Oct. 09	HOLIDAY-Village Hall closed
Oct. 29	Halloween Party/Sleepy Hollow Reading
Oct. 31	Water Bills due without penalty
Nov. 07	HOLIDAY-Village Hall closed
Nov. 23	HOLIDAY-Village Hall closed
Dec. 08	Candlelight Night
Dec. 25	HOLIDAY-Village Hall closed

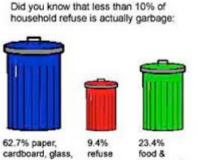
# **Garbage Reminders**

Please have your garbage with stickers and recyclables out by 7:00 a.m on Thursday mornings to ensure pickup. Pick-up times do vary by street week to week, so please ensure your garbage is out by 7:00 a.m. We cannot guarantee pick-up for items placed on the curb after this time.

All bags of garbage must have stickers – red stickers (\$2.50) for 30 gallon bags and green stickers (\$1.50) for 15 gallon bags. Place your sticker on the **TOP** of the bag for easy visibility.

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. Oil & antifreeze containers may not be recycled. Plastic bags such as grocery bags, trash bags, and potato chip bags cannot be recycled as these materials break the sort lines at the recycling center.

If you have questions, please contact the Village Hall at 758-9882 or County Waste & Recycling Service at 518-877-7007. Garbage stickers may be purchased at the Village Office during business hours of 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and on Wednesday evenings from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Garbage stickers are also available at Stewart's in Kinderhook (61 Chatham Street).





#### VILLAGE-WIDE SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY

\*\*Limited to Village of Kinderhook Residents and **Businesses ONLY\*\*** 

This year, trash will be picked up in front of your Village of Kinderhook homes by County Waste on

#### SATURDAY, MAY 06, 2017 ONLY.

Please do not put items out more than 48 hours before the Saturday pick-up. **Collection will** begin at 7 a.m. 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 04 and Thursday May 11.

#### 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** NOTHING 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

metal & clastic containers

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