Village of Kinderhook Bulletin
April 2019
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okvillagehall@villageofkinderhook.org email

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OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Mayor  518-758-9882
Village Clerk  518-758-9882
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Secretary, Planning & Zoning Boards  518-758-8778 x 305
Secretary, Historic Preservation Com.  518-758-8778 x 304
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Fire House  518-758-9220
New York State Police  518-758-7010
Economic Development  518-758-9882

FIRE**AMBULANCE**POLICE
Call 911

Thank you to Tom Butcher from Homestead Tree Care and Consolidated Communications (formerly Fairpoint) for their generous donation of time and equipment to help decorate our village square for the holidays. We appreciate the generosity of everyone and had many compliments from the towns and villages near and far regarding our beautiful holiday decorations.

Site for Kinderhook Yard Waste

The Town of Kinderhook’s compost site, located on Knickerbocker Farm Road, will be open on Saturdays beginning May 4, 2019 through November 30, 2019, weather permitting. The site is located off of Route 9 just past Knickerbocker Lake on your right hand side going north on Route 9. Punch cards can be purchased for $10.00 each at the Town of Kinderhook Hall, 3211 Church Street, Valatie (518-784-2233). 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 19th. Congratulations to Trustee David Flaherty and Trustee Dale Leiser for retaining their seats on the Village Board. Thank you to all of the Village residents who came out to vote!

Kinderhook on the Move

A Healthy and Diverse Business Environment. Did you know that currently there are 52 year-round businesses (including home based) in the Village of Kinderhook, located in an area of approximately 2.1 miles? The types of businesses include food service, bakery, catering, construction, agricultural, visitor accommodation, banking, real estate, insurance, appraisal, legal, music education and performance, history research, nonprofits, art consulting, art gallery, library facilities, accounting, corporate headquarters, men’s, women’s and children’s haircutting and beauty salons, personal services, dog grooming, veterinary and medical offices, antiques, automotive, postal service, government offices, and state police.

Kinderhook’s Collection of Food Purveyors Continues to Grow. In the new year, Swell, a café run by the catering company The Swell Party of Malden Bridge opened its doors. Located at 3 Albany Avenue, Swell serves breakfast, brunch, lunch, supper, and take out. Saisonnier, another newcomer to the village food scene, will be opening in June at 11 Chatham Street. Kasey and Patrick Kenny’s family-run business will feature a restaurant, bar, and store focusing on locally produced ingredients and products to include cheeses,

Village Spring Clean Up

Again this year, County Waste and Recycling Service will pick up items at your home on Saturday, May 11, 2019. Please see the following information on page 8 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.
sandwiches, craft beer, select wines, and a variety of sundries and products from local farmers, artisans, and makers. Also opening this Spring, Focaccia at 1 Broad Street. Focaccia will bring something brand new to the area: a traditional Italian bakery selling freshly baked cheesecake, cookies, focaccia, and more.

To see a full list of businesses, go to https://www.villageofkinderhook.org/community1.html.

Summer 2019 New Events. Mark your calendars for Earth Day weekend events on April 20-23 (for details, see calendar of events at bottom of newsletter) and Dutch Heritage Week, taking place from July 12\textsuperscript{th} to July 19\textsuperscript{th}. During Dutch Heritage Week look for lectures and presentations on history and gardening, kids’ activities, Dutch-themed events at nearby historic sites, and special Dutch-inspired foods offered during the weeklong celebration at Kinderhook’s local eateries.

Sister Cities. The Village of Kinderhook and the Town of Buren in the Netherlands are now sister cities. The sister-city relationship seeks to encourage closer ties with the Dutch ancestral home of the Van Buren family and is intended to promote cultural, historic, educational, and business exchanges as well as tourism promotion between the two communities. The Kinderhook-Buren Facebook page provides updates on the two communities’ activities. Kinderhook residents and others are encouraged to join and post about all things Kinderhook. Look for the flag of Buren flying in Kinderhook’s Village Square. Look also for a projected increase in Dutch tourism as a result of the distribution of Kinderhook’s Native Son brochure and Columbia County Tourism’s county-wide visitor guide in the Guilderland region in The Netherlands.

Van Buren Hall. The range of healthy classes at Van Buren Hall continues to expand to include yoga, Zumba, and dance fitness. On-going cultural offerings include lectures sponsored by Columbia County Historical Society and classical music performances by Concerts in the Village. If you attend events or classes in Van Buren Hall, please consider filling out a feedback survey (available in the hall) to give the village your input on potential improvements. If you’re interested in reserving the hall for a performance, class, lecture, or event, contact the village at okvillagehall@villageofkinderhook.org.

The Van Buren Hall Committee and the Village Board of Trustees are currently in the preliminary stage of planning for handicap-accessible bathrooms in Van Buren Hall.

Concerts in the Village at Van Buren Hall. For information about upcoming concerts, go to www.concertsinthevillage.org.

Kinderhook Creek Project. The village’s commitment to providing improved and safe recreational opportunities as well as sustainability planning at the Kinderhook Creek is an ongoing effort. Partnering with the Village of Valatie, the village, as lead municipality, along with Valatie hired the firm of Barton & Loguidice to complete a Phase 1 survey of sites for improvement along the creek. The two villages received a matching grant from the Hudson River Valley Greenway to complete the study. Four potential sites have been identified. Kinderhook residents are encouraged to attend a public meeting to provide their input on the project on April 11\textsuperscript{th} at 7pm in Van Buren Hall.

Kinderhook’s Climate Smart Task Force – 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.

In January of 2019, an electric vehicle charging station (EVCS) was installed in the Village’s Hudson Street municipal parking lot. 80% of the financing for the EVCS came from a grant procured by the Village and the Task Force from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). In March 2019, the Village achieved a major milestone when it was designated as a Clean Energy Community by New York State Research and Energy Development Agency (NYSERDA). It will receive a $35,000 grant for future clean energy projects. At this time, the Village has received awards and grants from the DEC and NYSERDA totaling over $53,000 as a result of its participation in the CSC and CEC programs.

Task Force volunteers are continuing their work on getting the Village certification as a Climate Smart Community, thereby obtaining additional grant money from New York State. The Task Force is currently exploring the possibility of creating a pilot food donation, food scrap reduction and recycling project in the Village, and other initiatives such as the use of solar power for municipal buildings, replacement of the Village Hall heating system, as well as street lighting improvements in the Village and in the municipal parking lot on Hudson Street.

The Task Force meets regularly at the Village Hall on the second Tuesday of the month at 7PM and welcomes new members and those interested in the CSC program or contact Chairman Bill Mancini or Mayor Jim Dunham.
Albany- Hudson Electric Trail – The Hudson River Valley Greenway is proceeding with construction of the AHET. The trail will be a shared-use bicycling and pedestrian path, mostly along the 35-mile abandoned electric rail corridor, now owned by National Grid. In the village the trail will be located mostly on the National Grid right-of-way. There will be a trail head at Rothermel Park.

Two construction contracts have been let by the Hudson River Valley Greenway, one in Rensselaer County and one in Columbia County. The contract in Columbia County extends from the Rensselaer County Line for 12 miles into the Town of Stuyvesant. The contractor will be A. Colarusso and Son, Inc with Construction starting in mid-April. In addition there will be a National Grid Refurbishment Project beginning in April replacing and relocating some utility poles and guy wires at selected locations.

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 911 people are subscribed to 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 http://villageofkinderhook.org. 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 one week prior to the closing, so that arrangements can be made to read and prepare a final bill for the property’s closing.

Flushing Hydrants

The Village’s fire hydrants will be flushed April 16th, 17th and 18th. This may disturb sediment and cause water to be discolored. This should clear up in a few hours.

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.

Street Lighting

If you notice a street light out, please report it to the Village Hall at 518-758-9882 or via email: okvillagehall@villageofkinderhook.org. We will then notify National Grid. Please include the pole number, street name and nearby house number and then we will notify National Grid to correct the problem.

Building Department

The Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer is available at the Village Hall every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 6:30am to 9:00am and Wednesday evenings from 5:00pm to 7:00pm.

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.

Do you live or own a residence or business in the Historic Preservation District of the Village of Kinderhook?

All construction activity and the issuance of any building permits in the protected Historic Preservation District require a review by the Building Inspector to determine if approval by the Historic Preservation Commission is warranted. This includes any and all construction that can be seen from the public way, signage, property features demolition of buildings, and any applicable sections in Chapter 75 of the Village of Kinderhook Code. Applications for activities that require review by the Historic Preservation Commission must be submitted 10 days before the HPC meeting. If review by the HPC is required, a Certificate of Appropriateness must be issued by the HPC before a building permit can be issued by the Building Inspector. If you are not sure if this applies, please contact the Building Inspector at 518-758-8778 ext. 302.

Minor improvements typically not needing a permit include:
- 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 518-758-8778 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 7:00pm. The Court can be reached by calling 518-758-8778 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’s Event Calendar 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, live in or near to the Village of Kinderhook’s fire district, and are interested in serving as a volunteer, please contact Fire Chief Matt Cohn at 518-755-9259, Rich Phillips at 518-758-9548 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 518-758-7050.

Kinderhook Memorial Library

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

Library Hours

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National Library Week: April 7-13: Libraries = Strong Communities & Food for Fines! This week, the Kinderhook Memorial Library joins libraries in communities nationwide in celebrating National Library week. To show our appreciation for our patrons, join us for complimentary coffee, tea, and bagels on Friday, April 12 at 11am.
**Intro to Sign Language for Teens:** Thursdays, April 11, April 18, April 25, May 16, May 23, May 30, 5-6pm.

There are few experiences more rewarding than learning a new language. This spring, the Library is pleased to team up with the Ichabod Crane High School to host this Introduction to Sign Language course for high school students! This six-week course will give students the foundation they need to build their ASL knowledge and pursue further sign language education in the future. This free course requires registration, so call or stop by the Library to save your place today!

**Bunny Hop:** Friday, April 19, 11am

Hop on over to the Library for bunny stories, songs, and crafts. The egg hunt will immediately follow!

**Family Style: Family Cookbook Club:** Thursday, April 25, 6:30pm

Who says a cookbook club has to be just for grownups? Join us for our first ever cookbook club that the whole family can participate in. We will be selecting recipes from DK’s *Complete Children’s Cookbook*. To register for this event, stop by the Library to select what recipe your family will be making. We will then gather around the table on Thursday, April 25 at 6:30pm to share the delicious food we made, family style!

**STEM Discovery: The Mystery of Dry Ice!** Friday, April 26, 3pm

Dry ice is a unique substance with a lot of uses—and it’s also a lot of fun to experiment with! Kids from 5th through 8th grade can come try out science experiments and learn about sublimation (yeah, big words!) with us.

**Calling All Birders: Learn About the New Bird Atlas:** Saturday, April 27, 7pm.

Julie Hart, Department of Environmental Conservation’s Project Coordinator for the *New York Breeding Bird Atlas III*, will present the program at the Alan Devoe Bird Club Annual meeting. The Atlas is a statewide survey designed to reveal the distribution of breeding birds in New York. Please join us to learn how you can document breeding evidence and how the atlas shows changes in the distribution of many of our breeding birds. Light refreshment will be served.

**Español Para Niños:** Wednesdays, May 1, May 8, May 15, May 22, May 29, June 5, 5pm

¡Hola amigos! We are so excited to welcome Señora Cintron for our first ever Spanish language class for children! The class will meet each Wednesday from 5-6pm for 6 weeks as we read stories, sing songs, do crafts, and learn a new language together. For children in grades K-2. Registration is required.

**Neighbors of Northern Columbia County: Kickoff Event:** Sunday, May 19, 1-3pm

Learn more about this new local affiliate of the national Village Movement, which enables seniors to remain at home in their communities as they age. The event will include a discussion of how you can join NNCC and/or volunteer to help others in your neighborhood.

**¡La Guitarra Fiesta! with María Zemantauski:** Sunday, June 2, 3pm.

Internationally acclaimed guitarist, María Zemantauski, presents a program of classics and stunning originals. Embracing the classical and traditional flamenco repertoire for her foundation, she takes her audience on a musical journey inspired by her flair for experimentation and pure love of the instrument. Join us for an evening of passion, fire, and grace!

**Friends Book Sale:** @ McNary Center

Friday, June 7, 5-7pm (Preview Party)
Saturday, June 8, 9am-3pm & Sunday, June 9, 1-3pm

**8th Annual Big Truck Day:** Saturday, June 15, 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 anything cool that moves and would like to donate your time and machinery, we would love to have you! Don’t own a truck but still want to help out? Please contact the Beth at 758-6192 or elizabeth.puskas@kinderhooklibrary.org!

**Recreation Commission**

The Recreation Commission has been busy sponsoring many activities for the village’s families and children. These activities include the Easter Egg Hunt, Community Night, Movie Night, the Annual Halloween Party, and the very popular Summer Program.

**Help Wanted!** Summer is fast approaching and the Recreation Commission is on the search for enthusiastic and energetic individuals to fill the following positions:

- **Director** – applications due by May 6, 2019
- **Assistant Director** – applications due by June 3, 2019
- **Counselors** – applications due by June 3, 2019

The program runs for six weeks during the months of July and August from 9am-noon. It’s 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 during business hours, dropped in the front drop box to the bottom right of our front door, or may be sent to:

Village of Kinderhook
Recreation Commission
PO Box 325
Kinderhook, NY 12106

All Village of Kinderhook children who will be entering Kindergarten through 9th grade in September 2019 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.

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

The 21st Annual Kinderhook Bank OK5K will be held on Saturday, June 8th at 9:00 a.m. The race starts and finishes at the Village Square. The entry fee is $18 for adults and $15 for students who pre-register before May 31st. On May 31st and thereafter, the fee for all runners is $25. For the 20th anniversary runners will receive both a t-shirt and a souvenir 16 oz. glass.

In addition to the 5k (3.1 miles), the Chris Volney 1 Mile Run for kids 4-12 ($2.00), sponsored by the Kinderhook Runners Club will start at 8:15 AM. After the kids’ race the Kinderhook Memorial Library will host a Reading Ramble (50 and 100 yard dashes), free for those 5 and under. It 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.

Kinderhook Business Professional Association

Monthly meetings occur @ 8AM on the first Wednesday of the month at the Village Hall.

The Kinderhook Business and Professional Association, Inc. (KBPA) was established in 1993 to foster business in the Kinderhook Village. Our Mission Statement is to Foster and Promote Trade, Commerce, and Business and to enhance the overall business climate within the Village of Kinderhook.

Every member business is either locally owned and / or employs local residents. The group works to promote business activity in the Village.

CONTACT
For more information on the KBPA, please contact us at KBPA, PO Box 251, Kinderhook, NY 12106. Email us at: kinderhookbusiness@gmail.com.

UPCOMING KBPA EVENTS

May 11th - October 26th, 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, ready-made, eat-at-the-market food, fine crafters, family and kids events, live music, and fun!

May 4 - Early Kinderhook Village Yard Sale

May 11th - Kinderhook Farmers' Market Opening Day


June 1st – The Kinderhook Craft Fair

June 27th and August 22nd - Back by popular request!!! Food Truck Village in the Village Square - Columbia County's annual food truck event hosted by the KBPA and 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.

July 4th - People’s Parade

September 14th – Fall Yard Sale

October 12th – Fall Festival
MONTHLY VILLAGE MEETINGS

Board of Trustees Village Board Meeting
2nd Wednesday – 7:30 p.m.

Historic Preservation Commission
3rd Thursday – 7:00 p.m.

Planning Board
1st Thursday – 7:00 p.m.

Recreation Commission
2nd Monday – 7:00 p.m.

Zoning Board of Appeals
4th 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 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Village Office Hours
6 Chatham Street
Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Wednesday evenings 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Thank you and have a happy, healthy and safe Spring!!!
Garbage Reminders

Please have your garbage with stickers and recyclables out by **7:00am** on Thursday mornings to ensure pickup. **Pick-up times do vary by street week to week, so please ensure your garbage is out by 7:00am. 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 518-758-9882 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 St.).

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**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 11, 2019 ONLY.**

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 2nd and Thursday, May 9th.

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
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. Many nonresidents drive into the village just to walk. The village is the site of the weekly Town of Kinderhook Fun Run on Wednesday evenings in the summer 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.

**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.

**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.
- Have reflective clothing or flashlights when walking or jogging at night.

For recreation, better health and to save a little gas, we encourage residents and nonresidents to enjoy our beautiful village by walking, jogging or biking on our sidewalks and streets.

Let's try to assure it's done safely!!!