# Village of Kinderhook Bulletin

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# VILLAGE OFFICIALS

#### Mayor

Brian Murphy

Carol Weaver	758-1751
Trustees	
Dale Leiser	758-6177
Richard A. Phillips	758-9548
Robert Puckett	758 - 1797

# OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS

758-9647

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
Dog Control Officer	275 - 9983
Fire House	758-9220
New York State Police	758-7010

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

# **Village Elections**

Village elections are scheduled for **Tuesday, March 15**, **2016**, at the Village Hall from 12 Noon to 9:00 PM. The terms of Mayor Carol Weaver, Trustee Richard Phillips and Trustee Brian Murphy will expire on March 31, 2016. Registration Day is Saturday, March 5, 2016 from Noon – 5:00 PM at the Village Hall.



# 24,143 More Reasons to Be Proud of Kinderhook

**6 New Businesses -** Since completion of the wastewaterdisposal system, six new businesses have opened up in the historic business district. We welcome Broad Street Bagel Co., Claverack Cooperative Insurance, Dyad, N.P. Trent Antiques, Schroeder Arts, and The Flammerie.

**1 New Planned Opening in 2016 -** Simon's Catering, formerly located in the Village of Chatham, is busy finalizing its plans to open and expand its business next year at 86 Broad Street.

### **50 Local Farms and Food Producers, Artisan Crafters, Musicians, Distilleries, Breweries, and Nonprofits** – The KBPA-sponsored Kinderhook Farmers' Market hosted a total of 50 local farms, smallbusinesses, musicians, and nonprofits at its expanding Saturday-morning seasonal market.

**4,559 Art Lovers/4 Months -** The Jack Shainman Gallery: The School continues to build on the number of art lovers traveling to Kinderhook to view the gallery's world-class exhibitions. In the four months from June to September, the gallery attracted a total of 4,559 American and international visitors from the Northeast, from across the continental U.S., and beyond. Among the visitors were student groups from schools and colleges in the Hudson Valley and the Capital Region.

**5,500 Diners/2 Food Truck Villages -** The estimated number of diners who attended the two KBPA-sponsored 2015 Food Truck Villages in the village square in June and August.

**1,400 Concert Goers** – The total number of attendees at performances of Concerts in the Village at the Kinderhook Reformed Church and The School during the 2014/2015 Season.

**24 New Trees and Shrubs** – The number of trees and shrubs planted throughout the village using private funds generously donated by residents to the Village of Kinderhook Tree Fund.

**\$12,603** – The total amount raised in 2014/2015 from private donations for village-improvement projects through the Village of Kinderhook Tree Fund, the Historic House Tour on Spring Home & Garden Day, and the auction of vintage village street signs.

# 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 369 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 starting this month meeting notifications of the various village boards and their agendas. 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.

# **Comprehensive Plan Update**

The Comprehensive Plan committee has been meeting and planning in preparation for the update of the Village of Kinderhook's Comprehensive Plan. As part of that process, a new and improved survey is being drafted that will give village residents the opportunity to participate in visioning the future for our village. We encourage all residents to participate in filing out the survey, which will be available both in printed form and online. (Date to come.)

# Kinderhook Farmers' Market Goes Indoors for the Winter

The final day of this season's farmers' market is October 10<sup>th</sup>. The market will be going inside from October 17<sup>th</sup> to December 19<sup>th</sup> in the greenhouse at Samascott's Garden Market at 65 Chatham Street.

### 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!

# The Village of Kinderhook Receives An Excellent Rating from the Office of State Comptroller in Its 2014 New York State Fiscal Stress Monitoring Report.

For details go to:

http://osc.state.ny.us/localgov/fiscalmonitoring/satfiles/2 014/Village/Kinderhook\_2014.pdf

# Village Hall Roof Repair Project

Construction has begun on the Village Hall main roof rehabilitation project. This project includes removal of the existing standing seam metal roof, restoration and rebuilding of the wooden gutters incorporated into the roof as well restoration of the wooden soffit, fascia, decorative corbels, and masonry work. The first phase, removal of the existing metal roofing and covering of the roof with a rubber membrane to protect the building during rebuilding of the gutter system has been completed. Construction is scheduled to last two months.



### **Flushing Hydrants**

The DPW will be flushing the hydrants on October 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 15th 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

A date will be posted on the village's website and an email blast will be sent as to when leaf pick will begin.

All piles of leaves should be raked, <u>without stones</u>, <u>branches and twigs</u>, 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 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 1<sup>st</sup> and October 1<sup>st</sup>. 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. 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 10, 2015 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM is the OK Fall Festival. It is held on the the Village Green. Don't miss this family event with a host of fun and free activities for all ages! MUSIC, PUMPKIN PAINTING, SCARECROW MAKING, ANNUAL APPLE/PUMPKIN BAKE OFF, FARMERS' MARKET, AND CRAFT VENDORS.

Apple/Pumpkin Bake Off – Drop off Entries by Noon \$50, \$25, and \$10 Prizes from Samascott's Orchard.

#### **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 upstairs in the Village Hall on Saturday, October 24, 2015 at 2:00 pm. There will be judging of costumes, awards and treats given out. Please join us for this fun-filled event.

# **KBPA** Annual Halloween Reading

Saturday, October 24 – 3:00 pm Lawn of the Vanderpoel House of History

READING OF "THE LEGEND OF SLEEPY HOLLOW" AND

"THE HEADLESS HORSEMAN RIDES AGAIN!"

# Santa Claus Club

The Village of Kinderhook Santa Claus Club is sponsored by the Palmer Engine and Hose Company. The Santa Claus Club appreciates the support, generosity and time of the Fire Dept. If you are a new resident of the Village and your child is 8 years old or younger and you would like him or her to receive a Christmas Eve visit from Santa Claus, please contact Pete Hunter 758-7050 before December 5, 2015.

The Santa Claus Club is made possible by volunteers and donations from residents of the Village. If you would like to volunteer or make a donation, you may do so by contacting Pete Hunter or mailing your donation payable to: Palmer Engine Hose Santa Club PO Box 191 Kinderhook, NY 12106

# Martin Van Buren Wreath Laying

On Saturday, December 5, 2015 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 11, 2015 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 he 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 3, 2015 election would be October 5, 2015 and they would need to be removed no later than November 8, 2015. Thank you in advance for adhering to the Code and making the Village a beautiful place to be.

#### **Kinderhook Memorial Library**

18 Hudson Street 518-758-6192

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 free or at a nominal cost to patrons. For more information about programs and other events at the Library, visit our newly updated and redesigned website at www.kinderhooklibrary.org.

#### An Exciting Year at the Library

\* Highest library door count and program attendance in 2014 in Columbia County

- \* 306 programs and over 59,000 visits
- \* Capital campaign for planned expansion is well underway
- \* Received a \$62,000 New York State Public Library

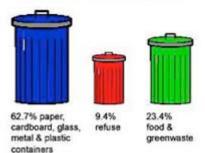
Construction Grant for reading-room expansion project \* Hosted the 6th Annual OKtoberfest with 200 attendees

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#### Save the Date

December 11 Candlelight Night in the Library with the Nat Phipps Trio - Live Holiday Jazz, Free Refreshments Plus a Cozv Fire

Did you know that less than 10% of household refuse is actually garbage:



# **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.

#### You may also 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 27, 2015.

**Both** papers and containers will be picked up every Thursday. Please have garbage and recyclables out by 7:00 A.M. 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. 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.

#### Farm Accepts Kinderhook Yard Waste

The Town of Kinderhook lawn and garden waste disposal site, Valley View Farm, will close for the season after the first snowfall. The farm is located at 2560 Route 203, between Merwin and McCagg Roads. Compostable waste will be accepted every Saturday between 8:30 AM and 2:30 PM. Punch cards can be purchased for \$10.00 at the Town of Kinderhook Hall, 3211 Church Street Valatie 784-2233

#### **\* \* DATES TO REMEMBER \* \***

Oct. 1	Water Bills Mailed
Oct. 10	OK Fall Festival
	Last Day of Kinderhook Farmers'
	Market in the Square
Oct. 12	Columbus Day Holiday
Oct. 13, 14, 15	DPW flushing hydrants
Oct. TBD	Leaf pickup begins
Oct. 24	Halloween Party 2 PM
Oct. 24	Reading of Legend of Sleepy Hollow
Nov. 11	Veterans Day Holiday
Nov. 26	Thanksgiving Holiday
Nov. 30	Approximate date to end leaf pickup
Dec. 5	Martin Van Buren Wreath Laying
Dec. 11	Candlelight Night
Dec. 25	Christmas Holiday

#### 2016

Jan. 1	New Year's Holiday
Jan. 18	Martin Luther King Holiday
Feb. 15	Presidents' Day Holiday
March 5	Voter's Registration
March 15	Village Elections

#### Save the Dates - Columbia County Historical Society

October 3 4:00pm Lecture: "Victory Perched Upon their Eagles: Hudson Valley Civil War Flags" 1811 Robert Jenkins House, Hudson

October 17 10:00am Annual Meeting CCHS – Columbia County Heritage Awards Vanderpoel House of History

October 20 7:00pm Lecture: "Paintings of the Hudson River School" Vanderpoel House of History

November 17 7:00pm Lecture: "Upper Hudson Valley Delft Tiles" Vanderpoel House of History

December 4–6 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Gallery of Wreaths Vanderpoel House of History

December 5 6:30pm "Below Stairs" Dinner Vanderpoel House of History

December 11 Seasonally-decorated Vanderpoel House – Candlelight Night



**Monthly Village Meetings** 

**Board of Trustees** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday – 7:30 PM

Historic Preservation Commission 3rd Thursday – 7:00 PM

> **Planning Board** 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday – 7:30 PM

**Recreation Commission** 2nd Monday – 7:00 PM

Zoning Board of Appeals 4<sup>th</sup> Monday – 7:30 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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!