



# Town of Bethel January 2014 Newsletter Happy and Healthy New Year!

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## Fee now being charged for T.V.s and Computer Monitors at Town Transfer Station and County

Effective November 1, 2013 there will now be a charge to dispose of T.V.'s and Computer Monitors (flat screens are still free). The cost will be \$5. and \$10 for extra-large t.v.'s and consoles. For information on the County Facilities contact them directly at 807-0290. During 2012 and most of 2013 the fee was waived. Due to the changing industry, our vendor who hauls the e-waste has enacted the new fee that unfortunately we have to pass along to our customers. The Town Board is working on some different solutions to bring this fee down, but at this time it will be effective until further notice. We will continue to collect the e-waste on our annual clean-up day the first Saturday in May at a reduced rate or possibly free. Thank you for your understanding as we work together to reduce the waste on our roadways.

## Excerpt from New York's Fish, Wildlife and Marine Newsletter

### Did You Know...?

Bald eagles mate for life, which can be up to 30 years or more. The pair continuously reuses the same nest, repairing and rebuilding it with mud, twigs and branches each year. Eventually, their nest can grow to be more than six feet across and eight feet deep and weigh up to a ton!  
*Read more about this captivating raptor on DEC's [Bald Eagle webpage.](#)*



## January 2014 Meeting Schedule

**Town Board:**  
**January 22<sup>nd</sup> 7:30 p.m**

**Planning Board:**  
**January 14<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm**

**Zoning Board:**  
**January 27<sup>th</sup> 7:30 p.m**

**All Town Departments  
Closed January 20<sup>th</sup> in  
observance of Martin  
Luther King, Jr.'s  
Birthday**

**2014 Tax Collector's  
Office Hours:**  
Debra Gabriel,  
Tax Collector  
Town of Bethel  
3454 Route 55  
P.O. Box 561  
White Lake, NY 12786  
Phone: (845) 583-4350 x18

**January:**  
Monday, Wednesday and  
Thursday 8 a.m. - Noon;  
Tuesdays 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.  
Fridays 2 p.m. - 7 p.m.  
Saturday Hours Only in  
January: 4th, 11th, 18th and  
25th - 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup>  
11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**February and March:**  
Monday, Wednesday and  
Thursday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Tuesdays 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Fridays 2 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Closed Saturdays in  
February and March.

Closed Sundays and Holidays.  
Appointments available by  
calling (845) 583-4350 x18

Tax Bills are online at:

[www.taxlookup.net/bethel](http://www.taxlookup.net/bethel)

## Catskill Nordic Ski Club 2014 Schedule

Sullivan County – The Catskill Nordic Ski Club recently finalized its schedule for the upcoming ski season. The club offers informal guided cross-country ski trips on some of Sullivan County's most beautiful trails. Most of the trips are free, except where noted, and last about two hours. All ski trips are scheduled to begin at 1:30 p.m. On a Saturday – unless otherwise indicated. Depending on the weather and/or snow conditions, the leader may choose to reschedule to Sunday or change the hour or location or to hold a winter hike. Leaders will be prepared to help and encourage new members. Members and new skiers alike are reminded to always call the leader the night before the scheduled ski trip for updated information. For further information, please call President Pat at 845-434-3841.

**Jan. 4:** Smallwood Trails, Leaders Jonathan Hyman & Gail Rubinfeld, 583-4103

**Jan. 11:** Haven Rd. Tow Path Leader Pat Gersten 794-1039

**Jan. 18:** Town Of Thompson Park, Leaders Warren & Judy Bergstrom 794-7631

**Jan. 25:** Mongaup Pond, Leader Judy Brennan, 292-7832

**Feb. 1:** Minnewaska State Park (Fee Charged), Leader Pat Halprin 434-3841

**Feb. 8-** D & H Canal Wurtsboro, Leader Betty & Bob Klein 796-3336

**Feb. 15:** Downs Rd. Trails, Leader Bonnie Hoffman 794-7552

**Feb. 22:** High Point State Park, Leader Dan Gersten 798-6618

**March 1:** Fallsburg Trails, Leader Eileen & Andy Kalter 434-5371

**March 8:** Mongaup Pond, Leader Kathi Widmann 794-5650

**March 15:** Houghtaling Rd. Loch Sheldrake (Ski Or Hike) Then Dinner & Annual Meeting, Leader Pat Halprin 434-3841



Photo courtesy of Rolling Stone Ranch, Bethel, NY. E-mail: [unclelow@aol.com](mailto:unclelow@aol.com)

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Healthy Lifestyle Classes  
Certified Health Coach Bethany Walz brings her successful 12-week nutrition and healthy lifestyle classes to Bethel on Wednesdays evening at 6:30 PM in the Bethel Recreation Center. The cost of the program is \$5 per class or sign-up for the fitness program combination discount. ONLY 5 Classes remain – will end Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>.

Fitness Program  
Combination Discount  
Register for 2 or more of our fitness programs offering the discount and receive one class per program free each month. For example register for a Zumba class and a Kick-it off class and save \$10 per month. Register for all 4 fitness classes and save \$40 per month.

New programs coming in February! Summer program information will also be available as well as job applications for summer season employment

**Ski Program:** The Town of Bethel Ski Program will begin in January. The program will be using Big Bear in Masthope, PA (over the Roebing Bridge off RT 97 near Barryville). Dates are as follows:

Saturday 1/11/14 - 4pm - 9pm  
Sunday 1/26/14 - 9am - 4:30pm  
Saturday 2/8/14 - 4pm - 9pm  
Sunday 2/23/14 - 9am - 4:30pm  
Saturday 3/1/14 - 4pm - 9pm

**On Saturday nights the rental packages are \$16. On Sundays, the rental packages are \$18. The Town of Bethel pays for the lift ticket of Town of Bethel Youth (up to age 21, proof of residency required) and for first year lesson. Rental costs are the responsibility of the participants. Bethel Youth must pay a registration fee \$25 per person.** A registration form is available on the Town website on the Parks and Recreation Page at [www.bethel.town.ny.us](http://www.bethel.town.ny.us) Please bring completed form to the first ski program date. Adults and non-resident youth may participate at our group costs of \$18 for Saturday lift tickets or \$25 for Sunday lift tickets and the additional cost of rentals if needed. For more information call 583-5360 or e-mail [bethelnyparksandrec@gmail.com](mailto:bethelnyparksandrec@gmail.com)

**Important Information regarding cancellations of programs due to weather:**

**Like** Town of Bethel Parks and Recreation on **Facebook** for up to date information and cancellations due to inclement weather or follow us on Twitter Bethel Parks and Rec. Also, if school are closed or dismiss early and bad weather continues, you can assume the program is cancelled for that evening.

**Town of Bethel Parks and Recreation January Programs**

**All fitness programs are held in the gym unless otherwise noted.**

First class is free for fitness programs. **Please note** – due to the winter weather and the use of salt and sand in the parking lot, all participants in programs that occur in the gym are asked to **bring their sneakers** instead of wearing them.

**ZUMBA Fitness Classes - Tuesdays at 5:15 PM with Elyssa and Saturdays at 8:30 AM with Rita T.** Dress in comfortable clothes and bring sneakers and a water bottle.

Each class costs \$5 for adults (free for Bethel Youth aged 10 to 18) or sign-up for the fitness programs combination discount.

**Tae Kwon Do Classes - Tuesday evenings** with Sensai Mike McCauley, second degree black belt. **6:30 PM is a beginner class; 7:30 PM is an intermediate class.** Open to children aged 4 (and enrolled in a pre-school program) through adults. Wear comfortable clothes. The program is done in barefeet. Uniforms can be ordered through the instructor. Cost of the program is \$5/class.

**Kick-it Off Exercise Class - Thursday evenings at 6:30 PM.** Mike McCauley combines martial arts moves with targeted exercises for the “problem areas” with a rocking beat. Open to men and women. Cost is \$5/class or sign-up for the fitness program combination discount. Bethel Youth may participate in the program for free. Wear comfortable clothes and sneakers. First class free.

