



Town of Bethel

January 2016 Newsletter

Happy and Healthy New Year!

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Disposing of TV's and Computer Monitors

Effective November 1, 2013 there is a charge to dispose T.V.'s and Computer Monitors at the Town Transfer Station (standard size \$5 and \$10 for extra-large t.v.'s and consoles). Flat screens continue to be accepted for FREE. The County continues to offer the disposal of ALL units for FREE. For information on the County Facilities contact them directly at 807-0290. Due to the changing industry, our vendor who hauls the e-waste has enacted this fee that unfortunately we have to pass along to our residents. The Town 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 this toxic 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 2016
Meeting Schedule:**

**Planning Board:
January 4th 7:00 pm
Town Board:
January 6th 7:30 p.m.
January 27th 7:30 p.m.
Zoning Board:
January 25th 7:30 p.m.**

**All Town Departments
Closed January 18th in
observance of Martin
Luther King, Jr.'s
Birthday**

**2016 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 9 – 4
Friday's Noon - 6
Saturdays in January only:
23rd and 30th 10 – 3
Sunday Jan. 31st 11 – 4

February
Monday & Friday 9 -4
March
Monday & Friday 9 – 4
Thursday, March 31st 9 - 4

Closed Sundays expect where noted and Holidays. Last day to receive payment in person is March 31st until 4 p.m. Otherwise, must be postmarked on March 31st to be accepted by the Town of Bethel.

Tax Bills will be mailed by January 4th. Town Property tax bills can be viewed and paid online with credit card at:
www.taxlookup.net/bethel

See September's Newsletter for School Tax websites.

Catskill Nordic Ski Club 2016 Schedule

The Catskill Nordic Ski Club announces its 41st season of informal, guided cross-country skiing. Please note that all trips are scheduled on Saturdays at 1:30 PM unless otherwise noted. The leaders may choose to reschedule to Sunday or change the hour or location or to hold a winter hike depending on weather and snow conditions. It is advisable to call the leader for updated information on Friday evening or Saturday mornings. Our leaders are prepared to help and encourage new skiers.

Jan 1 or 2: Join the Catskill Mountain Trailkeeper organized hike at Walnut Mountain, Liberty. Call for details. Or on Jan. 2 join our club for an organized hike on the Fallsburg Central High School's trails. Call Pat – 434-3841.
Jan. 9: Haven Road Tow Path. Leaders Julie and Doug. 656-1574
Jan. 16: Fallsburg Trails. Leaders Eileen and Andy. 434-5371
Jan. 23: Downs Road Trails. Leaders Warren and Judy. 794-7631
Jan. 30: Town of Thompson Park. Leader Pat 794-1039
Feb. 6: High Point State Park*. Leader Dan. 798-6618. *Fee charged.
Feb. 13: Smallwood Trails. Leaders Jonathan and Gail. 583-4103
Feb. 20: Mongaup Pond. Leader Judy. 292-7832
Feb. 27: Fluggertown Road. Leaders Kathi and Rich. 794-5650
March 5: Tusten Trails. Leader Pat. 434-3841
March 14: Loch Sheldrake followed by Annual Dinner, Leader Pat 434-3841

Reminder from Bethel Assessor's Office

Enhanced STAR **Renewal** Applications are sent out directly from the Bethel Assessor's Office in late December. Anyone turning 65 in 2016 must apply by March 1st.

Body, Mind & Spirit Wellness Center is looking for a part time office

Receptionist. Please send a resume and references to:
Body, Mind & Spirit
12 Plank Road, Mongaup Valley, NY 12762
Phone: 845-583-7777/Fax: 845- 583-6299

NYSEG Outage Alerts

-Alert for power outage
-Alert for estimated restoration time
-Alert when your power has been restored
Sign up for alerts via text message, email, voice message or all three. Free and secure. Make sure your phone number is up-to-date and on file with NYSEG. Always keep a bill handy. I put my inside the phone book so I have it handy with the NYSEG phone numbers and my account number. www.nyseg.com

Safeguard New York – How to spot and report suspicious behavior -

<http://www.dhSES.ny.gov/oct/safeguardNY/>

NYS Police (845) 292-6600

Sullivan County Sheriff's Office—(845) 794-7100

Town Constables – dial 911

Town of Bethel Parks and Recreation
Cathy McFadden, Director

Youth Center
3460 Route 55
White Lake, NY 12786
(845) 583-5360
Fax: 583-4710
Email:
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 cancelations due to inclement weather or follow us on Twitter Bethel Parks and Rec. Also, if Monticello schools 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 April 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 bare feet. 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.

Summer Programs including All-Day Camp and Summer Employment information will be available in next month's Newsletter.