

# Town of Bethel

## October Newsletter

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**See Attachments for Flyers for more events!**

**General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 6<sup>th</sup> 6 a.m. – 9 p.m.** All voting districts in the Town of Bethel will be at the Dr. Duggan Community Center, 3460 Route 55, White Lake, NY

**Deadline to register to vote:**

Must be postmarked or in person by October 12<sup>th</sup>

**Deadline to apply for absentee ballot:**

Must be postmarked by October 30<sup>th</sup>

Military service personnel have different deadlines.

For more information call the Sullivan County Board of Elections at 845-807-0400.

**Monthly Schedule:**

**October 6<sup>th</sup> – Last day Yoga 9 a.m. – 10 a.m. and Kauneonga Lake Farmer's Market 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

**Nourish Your Neighbor October 15<sup>th</sup> – December 15<sup>th</sup>**

October 8<sup>th</sup> All Departments Closed

October 10<sup>th</sup> Town Board 7:30 p.m.

October 15<sup>th</sup> Zoning Board 7:30 p.m.

October 18<sup>th</sup> Motor Vehicle 10 – 2 p.m. (tentative)

October 24<sup>th</sup> Town Board 7:30 p.m.

October 20<sup>th</sup> Halloween Party at Town Park

November 5<sup>th</sup> Planning Board 7:00 p.m.

November 3<sup>rd</sup> Daylight Savings Time

November 6<sup>th</sup> Election Day

November 6<sup>th</sup> Town Hall Closed

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**12 Step Meeting - Closed for the Winter**

(October 2018 – May 2019). Will Resume Memorial Day Weekend 2019. AA (Alcoholics Anonymous) For other local AA Meetings: SC Intergroup Association: [www.scia-aa.com](http://www.scia-aa.com) 24 hr answering service: 845-234-4841 See You in the Spring!

**Notice to Kauneonga Sewer District & Extension Users:**

All payments due by November 2<sup>nd</sup> Payments received after November 2<sup>nd</sup> will be returned to the customer. Account balances that are unpaid will be relieved onto the 2019 January property tax bill.

**Daylight Saving Time Ends: November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2 a.m.**

Turn your clocks back 1 hour before you go to sleep on Saturday night.



**NOTICE:** School Tax Bills are mailed directly from the school districts. If you did not receive your school tax bill you **MUST** call your school district as follows:

Monticello: (845) 794-1515  
Liberty: (845) 439-3557  
Sullivan West: (845) 482-4610 x4115

Sullivan West and Liberty Bills can be found at [www.taxlookup.net](http://www.taxlookup.net) (click on district, then type in last name only)

Monticello at [www.infotaxonline.com](http://www.infotaxonline.com) (scroll down to Monticello, click to open, type in last name only, then click on tax certification).

The Town does not collect school taxes. Please read your bill carefully paying close attention to payment due date, mailing address and phone number for any questions or payments. For address changes contact the Town Assessor's Office at (845) 583-4350 ext. 104 or e-mail [dsturm@libertybiz.rr.com](mailto:dsturm@libertybiz.rr.com)

## Hunting Information

For general information about hunting or trapping in New York, visit DEC's [hunting](#) or [trapping](#) pages. Click on highlight to go to page

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/hunting.html>

The Kenoza Lake Volunteer Fire Department will hold their annual Roast Beef dinner on Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup>. Serving starts at 4:30 p.m. \$12.00 adults; children \$7. Eat in or take out. Family style, all you can eat. Many folks are of the opinion that the Kenoza Lake Roast Beef dinner is one of the best around, with real mashed potatoes and homemade gravy.

### Kauneonga Lake Farmers Market – Last One!

Saturdays 10 – 1 p.m. Thank you to all you came and shopped to support our local vendors! Kauneonga Lake. Across from Firehouse in town square. Route 55, Kauneonga Lake.

E-mail: [info@communitymarkets.org](mailto:info@communitymarkets.org)

Facebook: Kauneonga Lake Farmers Market



Meets every 2nd Thursday of the month. (usually for a dinner meeting.) At this time the club has decided to dine **EVERY OTHER** month. Menu, cost and location to be announced. General Meeting is held every 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Duggan School. Anyone can attend a General Meeting to see what we are all about. If you find that you are interested in joining and /or would like further information, contact either of the following:

Lion President Al Frangipane (H)583-6540 (C) 866-6540  
Lion - Secretary Christine Burlingame [845-707-9286](tel:845-707-9286)  
Lion Maria Frangipane (H) 583-6540 (C) 798-0672

### Sullivan County Public Health Flu Clinic Schedule

Sliding scale fee will be charged for those without insurance. We accept cash and checks. **For Additional Information Call Sullivan County Public Health 292-5910** Sullivan County Public Health Services invites everyone, especially families, to take advantage of one of four Health & Wellness Days, where free information about community resources– and flu shots – will be available.

Health & Wellness Days are scheduled for:

September 28<sup>th</sup> 5-7 p.m. – St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Food Pantry,

3277 State Route 42, South Fallsburg.

October 9<sup>th</sup> 3:30-6 p.m. – The Caring Hands Food Pantry, St. John's Episcopal Church,

15 St. John Street, Monticello

October 15<sup>th</sup> 3-6 p.m. – Soul Food Café, Liberty United Methodist Church,

170 North Main Street, Liberty

October 25<sup>th</sup> 5-7 p.m. – The Shepherd's Pantry,

White Lake Reformed Presbyterian Church,

NYS Route 17B/Mattison Road, White Lake

For more information, contact Sullivan County Public Health Services at 845-292-5910.

**Yoga** – Last Saturday for the year! 9 a.m. – 10 a.m.  
Beekman House in Kauneonga Lake. FREE.

## BETHEL ACHIEVES BRONZE CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITY CERTIFICATION

You might have seen Town of Bethel Supervisor, Dan Sturm, arriving at the Government Center in Monticello or otherwise attending to town business in the town's fully electric bright green and white car. The acquisition of the EV car and the installation of an electric vehicle charging station are but two of the projects that Bethel undertook as a Climate Smart Community (CSC). For those initiatives and many others, the Town of Bethel has today been recognized as a "Bronze-Certified" Climate Smart Community by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation—only the 20<sup>th</sup> municipality in the State of New York to achieve certification status.

The New York State Climate Smart Communities program is a unique state-local partnership to meet the State's goals of reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, prepare for a changing climate and save tax payers' money. "We are thrilled to have achieved this important milestone," commented Bethel Town Supervisor Daniel Sturm. "Our Bronze Certification recognizes the significant projects that our town has undertaken to conserve energy, move to renewable energy, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and otherwise make Bethel a more environmentally sustainable community. And it will also favorably position the Town to secure grants in the future to undertake additional projects."

In November 2013, the Bethel Town Board adopted a resolution recognizing the threats that climate change pose to our local and global environments and pledging to take steps to ensure the long-term economic and ecological sustainability of the town. Since then, Bethel's Green Committee has worked closely with Town officials and staff to promote energy conservation and environmental sustainability. "For the past five years Bethel has been fortunate to have an active Green Committee comprised of town board members and community volunteers", said Town Board member Vicky Simpson, a member since the Committee's inception. "We have worked tirelessly to research opportunities and help guide the Town on energy-related initiatives. We have laid the ground work for several projects and hope to see them all to completion."

Green Committee Co-Chairs Jeff Allison and Karen London expressed special thanks to advisors Stephen Stuart and Carol Roig, whose expertise has guided the committee since its inception, initially as part of the Sullivan Alliance for Sustainable Development and currently under the leadership of Heather Brown in the Sullivan County Office of Sustainability. The Committee is also grateful for assistance from NYS-DEC, Federal EPA, and Niklas Moran of the Hudson Valley Regional Council.

Allison and London are especially excited by the next round of projects. In the works now is a community solar project to be sited on the Town's capped landfill, potentially offering significant discounts on electricity rates to Bethel and Sullivan County residents, as well as annual lease payments to the Town. "To enable the Town and local residents to access affordable, renewable energy and, at the same time, profitably use the Town's otherwise unusable landfill site is a win-win-win all-around," commented Karen London. "We hope to see the installation up and running by next year."

"Our other exciting project is to convert all of the Town's existing and aging street lights to efficient, cost-and energy-saving LED street lights," added Jeffrey Allison, who also spearheaded an exhaustive accounting analysis and baseline report of the Town's GHG emissions. "We are currently working with the NY Power Authority on the streetlight initiative. As more Sullivan County towns join the street light consortium, the Town will realize even greater aggregate purchasing power and municipal savings."

"We are proud that the Town of Bethel has achieved Bronze certification", said Supervisor Sturm. "Now we are ready to go for Silver!"





## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Nourish your Neighbor Healthy Food Drive Collection

October 15<sup>th</sup> – December 15<sup>th</sup>

Non-perishable healthy food items, mittens, hats, scarves & socks.

The Bethel Healthy Community Task Force is partnering with Bethel Restaurants and Businesses on a **Nourish your Neighbor Healthy Food Collection**. The collection will begin on October 15<sup>th</sup> through December 15<sup>th</sup> to benefit the Shephard's Food Pantry in White Lake. Look for collection bins at businesses throughout Bethel including Town Hall and White Lake Post Office.

**Nourish your Neighbor** is an educational food drive initiative that aims to build a community where healthier options are available for all of our neighbors. The initiative is sponsored by Eat Smart NY of Hudson Valley to serve Sullivan County. A collection of socks, hats, scarves and mittens are also being coordinated to benefit the Mongaup Valley Methodist Church. All items can be dropped off with the food donations.

The Bethel Healthy Community Task Force are volunteers working to bring access to healthy food, opportunities for physical activity and a sense of purpose to the Town of Bethel.

# NOURISH YOUR NEIGHBOR

A Healthy Food Drive Initiative

## SAMPLE SHOPPING LIST

### FRUITS (No-Sugar Added)

- 100% Fruit Juice
- Raisins/Dried Fruit
- Applesauce
- Fruit Cups



### VEGGIES (Low-Sodium)

- Salsa
- Canned Vegetables
- Canned Soups
- Tomato Sauce

### GRAINS (Whole-Grains)

- Quinoa
- Brown Rice
- Rolled Oats
- Whole-Grain Pasta

### PROTEIN (Lean Protein)

- Canned Tuna & Chicken (in water)
- Dried Beans
- Unsalted Nuts
- Peanut Butter

### DAIRY (No-Fat or Low-Fat)

- Powdered or Evaporated Milk
- Shelf-Stable Soy Milk

### OTHER

- Baby Food
- Tea/Coffee

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A Healthy Food Drive Initiative

Please consider donating:

<p><b>NO-SUGAR ADDED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Raisins/Dried Fruit</li> <li>Applesauce</li> <li>Fruit Cups</li> <li>Canned Fruit</li> </ul>	<p><b>LOW-FAT</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shelf-Stable Milk (Evaporated, Powdered, Soy)</li> </ul>
<p><b>LOW-SODIUM</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Salsa</li> <li>Canned Vegetables</li> <li>Canned Soups</li> <li>Tomato Sauce</li> <li>100% Vegetable Juice</li> </ul>	<p><b>WHOLE-GRAINS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Barley</li> <li>Brown Rice</li> <li>Rollled Oats</li> <li>Whole-Grain Pasta</li> </ul>
<p><b>LEAN PROTEIN</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Canned Tuna &amp; Chicken (in water)</li> <li>Dried Beans</li> <li>Unsalted Nuts</li> <li>Peanut/Nut Butters</li> </ul>	

## BETHEL HEALTHY!

2nd annual Community Collection

Donate healthy food items to benefit the Shepherds Food Pantry in White Lake And mittens, hats, socks for the Mongaup Valley Methodist Church

**October 15 thru December 15**

**Look for the Nourish your Neighbor collection bins at businesses throughout Bethel including Town Hall.**

This project is a collaboration between the Bethel Healthy Community Task Force, Bethel Business Community, Cornell Cooperative Extension SC, Eat Smart NY, The Town of Bethel, and YOU!

Connect with us @EatSmartNYHV. Share your donation, and food drive pictures #nourishyourneighbor