

# Town of Bethel September E-Mail Newsletter

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## Monthly Schedule

8/30 Fall Harvest Festival at Bethel Woods  
9/5 Fireworks Smallwood Beach at Dusk  
9/7 All Town Departments Closed  
9/8 Planning Board 7:00 p.m.  
9/9 Town Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.  
9/10 Election Primary Noon – 9 p.m.  
9/11 Patriot's Day  
9/14 Rosh Hashanah  
9/17 Motor Vehicle 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.  
9/21 Zoning Board 7:30 p.m.  
9/21 First Day of Fall  
9/23 Town Board 7:30 p.m.  
9/23 Yom Kippur

Emergency Weather Alert Communication can be found at

[www.weather.com](http://www.weather.com)

Town Website Emergency Info.:

[http://www.town.bethel.ny.us//Emergency\\_Information.html](http://www.town.bethel.ny.us//Emergency_Information.html)

**Election Primary** – Democrats, Republican, Conservatives, Green and Independence Parties will be voting on the following positions: Town Supervisor (Democrat), Town Council (Democrat 2 seats), Highway Superintendent (Democrat), Town Justice (Republican, Conservative, Green and Independence). Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup> Noon – 9 p.m. (Sullivan County hours). All Bethel Districts at Dr. Duggan Community Center, 3460 Route 55, White lake, NY.

**School tax bills** are mailed out the first week in September from the school districts. Information for Sullivan West and Liberty can be found at [www.taxlookup.net](http://www.taxlookup.net) and Monticello at [www.infotaxonline.com](http://www.infotaxonline.com). 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.

**Patriot's Day, Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup> – on the 14<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the attacks against our Country an American flag should be displayed outside every home, apartment, office, and store in the United States on this date.**

**Free Smoking Classes**, Call Joe Rossiter, CASAC Credentialed Alcohol and Substance Abuse Counselor at 866-9290. Free patches, lozenges, support and information on quitting smoking. Held at the Dr. Duggan Community Center, White Lake.

## TOWN OF BETHEL

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Website: [www.town.bethel.ny.us](http://www.town.bethel.ny.us) Facebook: Town of Bethel New York

## Catskill Ramapo Library System

Ramapo Catskill Library System (RCLS), working cooperatively with its member libraries, provides coordinated services, guidance, training, support and leadership to member library trustees and staff to sustain their effort to be responsive, proactive, vital community institutions that meet the changing needs of their users in Orange, Rockland, Sullivan and southern Ulster counties. Since 1959, RCLS has been working in cooperation with member libraries to help raise awareness about library services and to work to eliminate barriers to library access and use.

If you're new to the library and want a membership, just come on in with a photo ID and proof of residence and we'll set you up with your own free library card. Bring a tax bill, utility bill or other acceptable proof of residency to the library that services your school district. Once you have a card you can go to any library in the system. <http://www.rcls.org/>

## Hunter Safety and Bow Safety Course: Frost Valley YMCA, Claryville, NY

**September 26 & 27** 9am-5pm: Hunter Safety Course  
RSVP to [info@frostvalley.org](mailto:info@frostvalley.org)

**September 26 & 27** 9am-5pm: Bow Safety Course  
RSVP to [info@frostvalley.org](mailto:info@frostvalley.org)

## BVAC Volunteers Needed

The Bethel Volunteer Ambulance Corp. is looking for new members. Training is available. Any help you can provide could save a life. Applications are available by sending a letter of interest to: Bethel Volunteer Ambulance Corp., P.O. Box 31, White Lake, NY 12786. Applications can be picked up any time at the ambulance bay inside the main entrance door. You can also stop by in person during the monthly meetings on the second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m.

## Fall Harvest Festival at Bethel Woods

Every Sunday starting August 30<sup>th</sup> 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. The festival features close to 100 vendors each week as part of the farmer's market, craft village, and festival food area along with special events and live performances, a children's area with community and educational programs, including arts and crafts, as well as corn and hay mazes, pony rides, and more! Admission to the festival is free, and parking is only \$2 per car. Please no pets. [www.bethelwoodscenter.org](http://www.bethelwoodscenter.org)

RSVP offers a full range of volunteer opportunities with over 40 local and national organizations. You choose how and where you want to serve, the amount of time you want to give, and whether you want to draw on your skills or develop new ones. The most pressing need is for Medical Transport Drivers. If you are 55+ and reside in Sullivan County get involved, and join RSVP today. Call Caryn Mathews, RSVP Project Director @ 807-0251 to join or refer.

**Out of the Darkness Suicide Awareness Walk. Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup> 9 a.m. at the Bethel Senior Center. Free. Donations are gladly accepted for the AFSP Hudson Valley Chapter. Walk, Volunteer, Donate. [www.afsp.org/hudsonvalley](http://www.afsp.org/hudsonvalley)**

TV's are FREE to recycle at the County Landfill. Call 845-807-0290 for more information. There continues to be a fee charged at the Town Transfer Station.

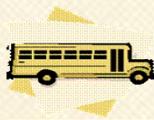
**White Lake Hotels History** – Video narrated by Cy Plotkin has been uploaded to the Town Website on the History Page. Cy's parents bought the Woodlawn Villa in 1920. Produced by the Sullivan County Historical Society.

### 9/11 Memorial Services

Smallwood-Mongaup Valley Fire Dept. on Thursday, Sept 11<sup>th</sup> 8 a.m. Fireman please come in uniform. All are welcome to attend. Please park in the field across the street from the firehouse. There will be light refreshments served after the services.

**Bethel Wood Project Identity** is a teen group at Bethel Woods that supports teens to explore the arts, figure out their identity, promote positivity, gain friendships and present their work as professional artists, presenters, actors and musicians. No prior art, music, theater, creative knowledge necessary. We will have guest presenters and workshops culminating into a final event! Weekly Sunday meetings start on Sunday September 13<sup>th</sup>! If any of your teens are interested they can sign up by following this link <http://forms.bethelwoodscenter.org/identity/> or email me at [cbunce@bethelwoodscenter.org](mailto:cbunce@bethelwoodscenter.org)

Schools are back in Session Sept. 9th



**School is in session! Watch for those stopped school buses loading & unloading**

### Free Museum Day

Go this site and search for the museum you would like to visit. <http://www.smithsonianmag.com/museumday/> (Includes Bethel Woods). Also, local libraries (register to get your library card first) has a free pass for up to 4 people to the Museum at Bethel Woods. You must have a library card and if the passes are available you must leave a put a \$20 deposit.

Girl Scout Registration  
Girls Grades K-12  
Date: Monday, October 5th  
Time: 6:30 -8:00 PM  
Cost: FREE  
Location: Bethel Recreation Center  
3460 Rt 55, White Lake  
(Duggan Community Center)

*For questions call (845) 583-8224.*

Delaware Highlands Conservancy's Annual Community Picnic  
For Members and Friends, Saturday, August 29, 2015 from 12pm – 4pm  
120 Segar & Rosenberg Road, Kauneonga Lake, NY (for Swan Lake is your GPS)  
A Picnic, Fun Outdoor Entertainment, and a Raffle. Come enjoy the beautiful rolling hills, meadows, gardens, and woods. Drinks and a light lunch will be provided made with local foods – but feel free to pack anything else you want at the picnic! RSVP by September 2, please\*\* 570-226-3164 or 845-583-1010 [Info@delawarehighlands.org](mailto:Info@delawarehighlands.org)

## Town of Bethel Parks and Recreation Department

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Website: [www.town.bethel.ny.us](http://www.town.bethel.ny.us)  
Facebook: Town of Bethel Parks and Recreation  
Like us on Facebook, follow us on Twitter.

**Cancelations are posted on Facebook.**

**Ongoing Programs:**

**NO CLASSES THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>**

**Tuesday classes on September 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Thursday classes on September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>**

**If there are not enough participants (3 or more), the class may be canceled. Please note that September 22<sup>nd</sup> may be canceled as Yom Kippur begins at sundown.**

**Zumba:** Tuesdays with April at 5:15 PM; Cost is \$5 per class, free to Bethel youth.

**Kick-it Off:** Thursdays at 6:30 PM. Combines martial arts moves with targeted exercises for stomach, legs and arms. Cost is \$5 per class, free to Bethel youth.

**Tae Kwon Do:** Tuesdays at 6:30 PM (beginner class) and 7:30 PM (advanced). Sensei Mike McCauley. Cost is \$5 per class. Youth must be at least 4 years old and enrolled in a pre-school or pre-kindergarten program. Open to youth and adults. *Great mother-child or father-child activity!*

All fitness classes are held in the Duggan gym. First class is free. Wear comfortable clothes and sneakers.

### **Halloween Activities**

**Annual Halloween Costume Parade** – Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup> line up at 3:45 along Duggan School sidewalk. Parade begins at 4 PM. Refreshments and prizes for all parade participants in the Duggan Community Center. Trunk-o-treat in the Duggan School parking lot begins at 3:30 PM until all gone. Haunted House open from 4:00 to 9 PM (geared towards youth 6 to 10). All activities are free to Bethel Youth up to age 10. Special prizes for best group (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place).

## **Volunteers Needed for Halloween Activities:**

**Haunted house builders** are needed. We will begin building the haunted house in early-October. **We will hold a planning meeting on Tuesday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM.** Building dates will be posted on Facebook.

**Scarers** are needed for the following scenes in the haunted house: zombies, evil clowns, insane asylum, science lab, and graveyard. This is a great opportunity for seniors who need participation in government hours. The scarers would be needed from 3:00 to 9:30 PM on 10/31. **A meeting for scarers will be held on Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM in the Recreation Center.**

**Trunk-o-treat participants** are needed. Decorate your trunk and hand out treats to our area youth in a safe environment. Special prizes for best-decorated trunk (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>). Cars would need to be in the Duggan parking lot by 3:00PM. Trunk-o-treating will begin at 3:30 and end when all the candy is gone (usually after the parade). Contact Rita at the Town Hall to register or send us an e-mail at [bethelnyparksandrec@gmail.com](mailto:bethelnyparksandrec@gmail.com) by October 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Youth Scholarship Fund Penny Social** – Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>. Doors open at 6:00 PM, calling begins at 7:00 PM. **We are collecting items for the penny social tables (new or like-new items). Items may be dropped off at the recreation center on Tuesday or Thursdays from 5:30 to 7:30 PM or at the Town Hall.** Contact Maria at 583-1147 for more information. Volunteers are needed to help set up and run the event.

## **Pool Hours Labor Day Weekend and Beyond:**

Friday, Sept 4<sup>th</sup> 11 AM to 7 PM  
Saturday, Sept 5<sup>th</sup> 11 AM to 7 PM  
Sunday, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> 11 AM to 7 PM  
Monday, Sept 7<sup>th</sup> CLOSED

Depending on weather and availability of lifeguards, we will make a decision if the pool will be open on the weekend of Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. If so the hours will be 11 AM to 5 PM.

The Park/Playground will remain open until weather permits from dawn to dusk. The gate will be closed, so please park carefully off the roadway.