

# **TOWN OF BETHEL**

## **OCTOBER EMAIL NEWSLETTER**



### **Daylight Savings**

On August 8, 2005, President George W. Bush signed the *Energy Policy Act of 2005*. This Act changed the time change dates for Daylight Saving Time in the U.S. Beginning in 2007, DST will begin on the second Sunday in March and end the first Sunday in November. So that makes the date to fall back one hour to **November 1<sup>st</sup> at 2 a.m.**

### **Town Meeting Schedule**

10/7 Bethel First Meeting 7 p.m.  
10/14 Town Board Meeting 7:30 pm – Sr. Center  
10/12 Town Hall Closed Columbus Day  
10/13 Planning Board 7:00 p.m. Sr. Center  
10/19 Zoning Board Meeting 7:30 pm – Justice Court  
10/20 Youth Board 7:00 pm Justice Court

### **Harvest Moon Square Dance**

Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> 7 p.m. until 10 p.m. Faith Hall, Route 17B and Mattison Road, across from Bethel Medical Center. The Harvest Moon Square Dance is a Bethel Bicentennial Event. The Happy Footers will be doing a western square dance demonstration from 7 – 8 p.m. assisted by caller Bill Wagner concluding with group participation. Live music with The Texans for traditional and line square dancing from 8 – 10 p.m. This is a family event and youth are encouraged to attend. This is going to be a wonderful fall evening under the full moon. \$2.00 Admission. Children Free.

### **1, 2 or 3 Year Dog Licenses**

The Bethel Town Clerk's office now offers 1, 2 or 3-year dog licensing. The license can only be issued if the rabies vaccination does not expire during the licensing period.

### **Bethel Rabies Clinic**

Sponsored by the Town of Bethel and Dr. Agoston, Bethel Animal Clinic. \$6.00 per vaccine. Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> 5 – 7 p.m. at Bethel Town Hall parking lot, 3454 Route 55, White Lake. Bring prior rabies certificate, receive a 3-year vaccination. No vaccine history, receive a 1-year vaccination. All pets must be in a carrier or on a leash. All pets must be at least 3 months old. Please curb your pets or pick up the waste. For more information call 583-4350 ext. 11.

### **Mobile Motor Vehicle Unit**

The County Dept. of Motor Vehicle is at the Bethel Senior Center on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month from 10 – 2. This is a service being provided by the County and if I am trying

### **White Lake Fire Company Pancake Breakfast**

White Lake Fire House Sunday, October 25, 2009

7 am till noon Adults \$7.00, Children 12 and Under \$4.00, Children 4 and Under Free, All you can eat \$8.00

### **Smallwood-Mongaup Valley Fire Company Pancake Breakfast**

Smallwood-Mongaup Valley Fire House Sunday, October 11, 2009

7 am till noon Adults \$7.00, Children 5 - 12 \$5.00, Children under 5 Free

### **Sullivan County Free Rabies Clinic**

Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup> 6 to 7:30PM Roscoe Firehouse 10 Union Street  
Bring prior rabies certificate, receive a 3-year vaccination. No vaccine history, receive a 1-year vaccination. All pets must be in a carrier or on a leash. All pets must be at least 3 months old.

Dogs – Cats - Ferrets Sullivan County Public Health Services 292-5910 ext 0  
Directions call Judy Newman, Rockland Town Clerk 439-5450 Sponsored by:  
Sullivan County Public Health Services

### **Marine/Salt Water License**

Town Clerk's throughout the state can now issue Marine License/Salt Water licenses. We have not been told too much information on this but these licenses are now required when salt water fishing. As of October 1, 2009, all anglers who wish to fish in the marine and coastal district or to fish in other state waters for "migratory fish from the sea" (such as striped bass, American shad, hickory shad, blueback herring, alewife) must have a recreational marine fishing license.

### **Sullivan County Public Health Seasonal Flu Clinics (This is not H1n1 Flu Vaccine)**

**Oct- 7 - Town Of Rockland 10-noon, Town Hall, 95 Main Street, Livingston Manor**

**Oct- 8 - Town Of Neversink 10-noon, Town Hall, 273 Main Street, Grahamsville**

**Flu Vaccine Is Free To Adults Who Bring Their Medicare Card All Others Will Be Charged**

**\$15 For Flu Vaccine \$25 For Pneumonia Vaccine**

**For More Information Call Sullivan County Public Health At 292-5910 X0**

### **Kenoza Lake Roast Beef Dinner**

The Kenoza Lake Volunteer Fire Department will be having their annual roast beef dinner on Saturday, October 10th. \$10.00 for adults. Starts at 4:30.

### **Images of America - Bethel Soon to be Released**

Author: Rita Sheehan. Publisher: Arcadia Publishing. On sale November 2, 2009 at major retail outlets, amazon.com, arcadiapublishing.com . Library of Congress ISBN 9780738565897 128 pages. For more information go to the publisher's website at [www.arcadiapublishing.com](http://www.arcadiapublishing.com)

### **Book Description:**

The town of Bethel is located in Sullivan County, 90 miles northwest of New York City. Bethel was established on March 27, 1809, and the first hotel in the county opened in the hamlet of White Lake in 1846. Hundreds of hotels were to follow, from the Arlington to the Woodlawn Villa. During the silver and golden ages, White Lake became fashionable, and many people flocked to the clean water of the lake, fresh mountain air, and grand hotels. The tanneries, gristmills, and sawmills were prosperous during the 1800s. In 1969, Bethel was the site of the Woodstock Music and Arts Fair that drew nearly 500,000 people to the town. Through vintage images, Bethel recalls this town's vibrant past.

**Author Bio:** Rita J. Sheehan has been the Bethel town clerk for 12 years, a member of the New York State Local Government Records Association, the New York State Town Clerks Association, Orange-Sullivan Town Clerks Association, and the Sullivan County Historical Society. She has selected images from the town archives, family collections, and professional photographers for the best assortment to showcase the community.

### **Burn Permit Regulations**

The New York State Dept. of Environmental Conservation regulates town burn permits. At no time can you burn garbage, cardboard, treated wood etc. Burn permits are for downed tree limbs and branches (including branches with attached leaves or needles) less than size inches in diameter and eight feet in length. No burning is allowed from March 16<sup>th</sup> through May 14<sup>th</sup>. These regulations apply to towns with a population of less than 20,000. Town with less 20,000 are considered "fire towns", so Bethel is a fire town.

## **Bethel Yoga**

Town of Bethel will be sponsoring a Yoga class for 6 weeks at the Dr. Duggan School White Lake, NY

COST: Registration: \$50.00 per person– for Adults – 6 week program. Free to Bethel Youth 13–21 years of age

5:00 pm – 6:30 pm Dates are as follows: September 21, October 5, October 19, October 26, November 2, November 9

## **Residents Of Bethel Halloween Party At Rolling Stone Ranch**

282 West Shore Road at The Corner of West Shore Rd. And ☺ Happy Avenue

☺ October 31<sup>st</sup> 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Pumpkin Hunt and Painting



Horse Drawn Hay Rides, Build a Scarecrow (Bring Your Old Clothes We Have the Stuffing)

Pumpkin Pizza Making For Kids ☺ Eat What You Make ☺ Costume Contest At 1:30 p.m. Sharp! Trick or Treats All

See Ya'll!

## **HEAP Outreach**

November 6<sup>th</sup> 10-12:30 at Bethel Senior Center. For more information call Sullivan County Dept. of Family Services. Bring income and heating bill information.

## **Duggan School PTO Scholastic Book Fair**

During the week of October 19th to the 23rd, the Duggan PTO will be hosting "Destination Book Fair, Read Around the World" by Scholastic. The Book Fair will be open during lunch times from 11 to 1. Evening hours will be available on Wednesday, Oct. 21st from 6 to 8 PM. The book fair will be open after-school Monday - Thursday from 3:15 to 4:15 PM. Visitors to the book fair need to sign in at the main office during school hours.

**Halloween Parade and Party** will be held on Saturday, Oct 31st at 1 PM. Rain or shine at the Duggan Elementary School. Costume parade, games, crafts, refreshments and prizes. For Bethel residents ages infant through Grade 6.

### **Town of Bethel Youth Recreation**

**Tae Kwon Do Classes:** Held on Tuesday evenings at the Duggan School Gym. Child (Pre-K to 5<sup>th</sup> grade) and Parent class: 6 to 7 PM. Teen (6<sup>th</sup> grade +) and Adult class: 7:15 to 8:15 PM. 10-week session cost is \$50/person. Payment is due at registration. Registration will be held on the evening of the first class: September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Certified Instructor, Mike McCauley, 2<sup>nd</sup> degree black belt. Call Cathy at 583-8224 for more information.

### **Community United Methodist Church Sunday School**

The Community United Methodist Church in Kauneonga Lake will begin their children's Sunday school class for children ages 3 to 13 on September 20<sup>th</sup>. The multi-age class includes a bible lesson, craft and snack. Sunday school is held during the 10:00 worship service in the lower level of the church building on Horseshoe Lake Road. Cathy McFadden serves as the Sunday school teacher.

### **Bethel Historical Museum Open until Columbus Day**

Kauneonga Lake – The Town of Bethel Historical Museum will remain open through Columbus Weekend on Saturdays and Sundays 2 – 5 p.m. Exhibits include photographs, paintings artifacts new and old of the schools, churches, and post offices representing all the hamlets within the Town, there is even a Woodstock chat room. “The museum was the first of its kind for Bethel and was a tremendous success its first year”, commented Museum Director Bill Burns. The museum has received over 300 visitors since May. Anyone who has not visited the museum will have a last chance opportunity. They hope to be open next year with a larger display featuring monthly events. The museum is located at 3552 Route 55 in Kauneonga Lake across from the State Boat Launch. The museum is part of Bethel's Bicentennial and is operated by the Town with volunteers. For more information contact Bill Burns at 292-9241.

### **Defense Driving Class**

As a fundraiser to support their mission work, the Mongaup Valley United Methodist Church is hosting a National Safety Council Six-Hour Defensive Driving (Point/Insurance Reduction Program) Class on Saturday, October 10th, 2009 at the Mongaup Valley UMC, 1090 Route 17B. The class is from 9:00AM to 4:00PM with a 45 minute lunch. Cost is \$40 per person. For more information or to register, call Bethel Safety Associates at (845)468-0125 or email them at [bethelsafety@yahoo.com](mailto:bethelsafety@yahoo.com). Registration forms also available at church.

### **NYS Deer Management Program Public Meetings**

NYSDEC is interested in changes to the deer program that will enhance our ability to manage deer considering the many differences in regional deer populations, habitat conditions, and social interests. We recognize that there are many stakeholders interested in New York's white-tailed deer resource and that there are many challenges to successful population management. To help us prioritize the issues that are most important to NYS deer hunters and the public, we intend to hold a series of public meetings in September and October 2009.

Phone/e-mail: 518-402-8883 [fwwildlf@gw.dec.state.ny.us](mailto:fwwildlf@gw.dec.state.ny.us) To learn more and find a meeting location near you, see <http://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/57795.html>

Purpose: To provide an update on the status of NY's deer herd and an overview of DEC's statewide deer management program, To highlight the current challenges in deer management, To identify current issues and concerns of NYS deer hunters and the public, and To solicit input from deer hunters and the public on which issues are most important to them.

### **The Fat Lady is reopening for the Fall October 2nd**

and will be open Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday for lunch, dinner every day and brunch/lunch/dinner Sunday. We now have a party room upstairs for small celebrations as well. Call 583-7133. Janes' Bakehouse – upstairs at The Fat Lady Café, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays 8 a.m. – Noon. Coffee, fresh-baked breads and Danishes and assorted other items.

### **Gun Legislation Update**

There has been discussion over the past several years and more recently about legislation to charge a \$50. gun fee. This information is not true. To learn more about this falsely circulated e-mail and any other e-mail you want to verify you can go to [www.snopes.com](http://www.snopes.com)

### **Food Drive**

Bethel will continue its food drive to support The Shepard's Pantry. Even if it \$5.00 worth of food it can go a long way; rice, pasta, pasta sauce, canned fruits, canned vegetables, oatmeal, etc. Those people that have the resources are asked to give. Those that do not, Bethel's Food Pantry is at Faith Ministries of White Lake Reformed Presbyterian Church and the Blessing/Shepard's Pantry, open on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday from 5 p.m.-7 p.m. Located across from Bethel Medical Center on Route 17B. The White Lake Post Office is also a drop-off point.

### **Senior Art Class**

Every Thursday, 1 – 3 p.m. all year. \$3.00 each week. Teacher has supplies available at cost or bring your own. Sr. Center. No registration required.

### **Recycled Printer Cartridges**

The Town Clerk's Office will accept used laser and inkjet printer and copier cartridges for recycling. Sullivan County Environmental (SPECS) will receive cash for each cartridge recycled.

### **John J. Driscoll, Jr. Scholarship Penny Social**

The Annual Youth Board Penny Social is scheduled for October 17<sup>th</sup> at the Smallwood Mongaup-Valley Fire Dept. on Ballard Road. Doors open at 6 p.m. Calling at 7 p.m. 50/50 Raffle, refreshments, special and craft tables. The money raised from the Penny Social is used to support the John J. Driscoll, Jr. Scholarship Fund which is awarded to three high school seniors from each of the three school districts in the Town of Bethel (Monticello, Liberty and Sullivan-West). Scholarship applications are available from school guidance counselors in the Spring next year. Items can be donated by dropping off at Town Hall. Some of the gift certificates include: 2 Lift tickets to Bellayre Mountain (value \$108), Gift certificate from Lander's River Trips for two people (value \$86), Gift certificates for Old Homestead Restaurant, Benji & Jake's, River Edge Restaurant, South Fork Enterprises, Northfork Lawn and Landscaping, 2 tickets to Forestburgh Playhouse for (specified shows/performances) during 2010 season

### **Fall Harvest Festival at Bethel Woods**

The Fall Harvest Festival is held every Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. through Columbus Day Weekend at Bethel Woods. Vendors are located under a tent across the road from the Woodstock monument at the corner of Hurd and West Shore Roads in Bethel. Everyone is welcomed, pets are not allowed.

The Farmers Market - The Farm Market area of the Festival will be filled with local and regional growers offering everything from tomatoes and corn to jams, pumpkins, perennials, mums, breads, cheeses, honey and maple syrup.

The Craft Village - The Craft Village Area of the Festival will feature local and regional artists and crafters selling their most creative works. Weekly features: Corn Maze, Hay Maze, Children's Arts & Crafts Area, Gathering of the Scarecrows, Pony Rides, Food vendors and Book Signings.

### **Hunting Season**

Southern Zone - Turkey season opens October 1<sup>st</sup>. Early Bow season begins October 17<sup>th</sup> until November 20<sup>th</sup>.

Rifle season begins November 21<sup>st</sup> until December 13<sup>th</sup>. Late Bow season begins December 14<sup>th</sup> until December 22<sup>nd</sup>. Muzzle December 14<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Information on hunting regulations can be found on the NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation website at [www.dec.state.ny.us](http://www.dec.state.ny.us)

## **Here's What's Happening At Consumer and Financial Ed. Cornell Cooperative Extension of SC**

**HeatSmart NY Classes** are two hour workshops that provide energy and financial information to families faced with higher energy costs. These classes are free and open to the public. For more information please contact; Sean Welsh or Susan Dollard at Consumer Education, Cornell Cooperative Extension at 845-292-5250 or [sw288@cornell.edu](mailto:sw288@cornell.edu) or [smd243@cornell.edu](mailto:smd243@cornell.edu) or further information and to pre-register, call Linda at 292-5250. Here are October's classes:

**Exploring Credit/Debt Management Issues is on October 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:30-7:30 at CCE-**This workshop provides information on selecting and using credit wisely, strategies for paying down debt, obtaining and receiving a credit report, and understanding a credit score. Participants will receive free credit management tools.

**“Save Energy, Save Dollars” is on October 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:30-7:30 pm at CCE -** Learn about low-cost and no-cost ways to save energy and reduce your energy bills. Also learn about programs that can help you afford energy-efficiency improvements with subsidies, low-interest loans or free services to qualifying households. There will be free energy-saving materials to be provided to all participants.

**Woodstove Safety- October 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00-8:00 at CCE-** Begin the winter with no heating worries. Join us to learn about woodstove basic installation, different types of wood and BTUs, outdoor and indoor regulations and procedures and a yearly checklist to look at before the heating season begins. This class has a fee of \$10.00.

Please call Linda at 845-292-6180 to pre-register.

### **General Elections**

General Elections will be held Tuesday, November 3, 2009. (Town Hall will be closed on Election Day). All polls open at 6:00 a.m. and close at 9:00 p.m. Elections will be held for County District Attorney, County Sheriff, County Treasurer, Town Supervisor, Town Clerk, Highway Superintendent, Town Justice, (2) Town Council seats, and Tax Collector. Absentee ballot applications and registration cards are available at the Town Clerk's Office or the Board of Elections. For voting information contact the SC Board of Elections at (845) 807-0400. **Last day to vote in person at Board of Elections and to postmark voter registration application is October 9<sup>th</sup>. Absentee applications must be postmarked by October 27<sup>th</sup>. Last day to apply in person at Board of Elections for absentee ballot is November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Ballots must be postmarked by November 2<sup>nd</sup> or hand-delivered on November 3<sup>rd</sup> to the Board of**

Elections. Absentee applications and registration forms can also be downloaded at [www.elections.state.ny.us](http://www.elections.state.ny.us)

Sullivan County Republican Party [www.sullivancountygop.org](http://www.sullivancountygop.org)

Sullivan County Democratic Party [www.sullivandems.org](http://www.sullivandems.org)

Sullivan County Conservative Party [www.cpnys.org/chairs/sullivan.html](http://www.cpnys.org/chairs/sullivan.html)

**WEBSITE OF THE MONTH:** Why Do the Leaves Change Colors? Click here for the answer from [Bill Nye the Science Guy](#)

Traveling with your pet on an airline? [www.petairways.com](http://www.petairways.com)

Weatherization assistance programs

[http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/w3eatherization/state\\_contacts.cfm](http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/w3eatherization/state_contacts.cfm) click on your state.

Cut energy costs [www.createthegood/energysave](http://www.createthegood/energysave)

Federal Government Healthcare Town Hall Meetings:

[www.healthactionnow.org/townhall](http://www.healthactionnow.org/townhall)

**HAPPY HALLOWEEN**

**RITA SHEEHAN**

**BETHEL TOWN CLERK**