





NEWSLETTER - FALL 2009



1. **VILLAGE LANDFILL** – The Village landfill is only available to Village residents. Hours of operation are Saturdays 9:00 am - 2:00 pm, **by PERMIT ONLY**. The landfill is for small piles of brush and leaves. It is not intended for the disposal of large trees or any household garbage. The landfill will be closing in early December for the winter.
2. Leaf pick-up shall begin sometime in October, *weather permitting*. Please be sure to separate leaves and branches. **Leaves are to be raked into rows not piles. BRUSH PICK-UP WILL START AFTER ALL LEAVES ARE PICKED UP. Brush consists of branches and small clippings.** Brush is to be piled at the curb and not in the road. Please check local newspaper for a schedule.
3. Please remember it is the homeowner's responsibility to keep all sidewalks and fire hydrants clear of snow & ice during the winter season. If snow is not removed within 24 hours from the end of the storm, the Village Highway Department will be permitted to remove snow at a cost of \$2.00 per linear foot at homeowner's expense. We ask that you please do NOT shovel snow into the roadways.
5. **ELMENDORPH INN** – **Price Sale: Oct. 26th-Oct. 31st - Christmas Sale: Nov. 16th-Nov. 21st.** Shop will close December 5, 2009 for the winter and will re-open in spring of 2010. Volunteers are needed. Please call 758-5887. Donations by Appointment.
Christmas Open House is Saturday, December 5, 2009 from 10am-4:00pm. Homemade breads baked in our beehive oven. Popcorn stringing for children, hot chocolate and cookies being served. FREE!!
6. In observance of Columbus Day – Monday, October 12, 2009 - Village Offices Will Be Closed.
7. **A RED HOOK HALLOWEEN** – Saturday, October 31st – Village Center – Costume Parade at 1:00pm. Activities, Snacks & Pumpkin Decorating
 **Happy Halloween**
8. Residents are reminded of the 2 hour parking within the business district. The Red Hook Police Department will be strictly enforcing this law. There is NO parking permitted along any Village streets from November 1st through March 31st between the hours of 11:00 pm and 6:00 am.
9. Sunday, November 1st - daylight savings time ends. **Reminder:** clocks are turned back one hour.
"remember to change the batteries in your smoke detectors & carbon monoxide detectors"
10. In observance of Veteran's Day, Wednesday, November 11, 2009 – Village Offices Will Be Closed.
11. In observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday – Village Offices will be closed Thursday, November 26th and Friday November 27th. **"Have a Happy Thanksgiving"**.

12. **WINTERFEST** – Friday Evening, December 4th - Village Center.
Entertainment & Tree Lighting at Memorial Park



13. In observance of the Christmas Holiday – Village offices will be closed on Friday, December 25th.

Season's Greetings

14. In observance of the New Year. Village offices will be closed on Friday, January 1, 2010.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

15. The **Red Hook Rotary** will be hosting a “**Citizen of the Year**” dinner on October 27, 2009 to be held at the Red Hook Firehouse at 6:00 pm. Proceeds will be donated to the Northern Dutchess Hospital Foundation, among other rotary charities. This year we will be “**Honoring Kenneth Giek**”. For further information please contact the Rotary Club of Red Hook at 756-5381.

16. Reminder that our Village Judges can perform wedding ceremonies. If you would like Judge Triebwasser or Judge Coon to perform your wedding, please call the Court at 845-758-4113. For further details please go to: www.redhooknyvillage.org

17. Village Justice Jonah Triebwasser has announced expanded hours for the court office. The office will now be open on Tuesdays & Wednesdays from 1:00pm–5:00pm. Other days/hours are available by appointment. Please call 845-758-4113.

18. Please be advised that due to an increase in delinquent water bills the disconnection and shut-off of water service is back in effect. The new fee to reconnect service is \$125.00.

19. “THE BIG READ” – Coming May, 2010. Join Us – Town-wide read of “*The Great Gatsby*” by F. Scott Fitzgerald. The Big Read is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts in Partnership with the Institute of Museum And Library Services and Arts Midwest. For more information please contact the Red Hook Public Library at 845-758-3241 or visit the Red Hook Public Library at: www.redhook.lib.ny.us

20. RESIDENTS INTERESTED IN DONATING SCRAP METAL CAN CONTACT HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT, DAN STREIB, AT 845-758-8600 OR TRUSTEE BRENT KOVALCHIK AT 845-758-1081 TO ARRANGE FOR PICK-UP.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION.....

Americans buy an estimated 28 billion plastic water bottles every year. Nearly eight out of every 10 bottles will end up in a landfill. *Recycling a single plastic bottle* can conserve enough energy to light a 60-watt light bulb for up to six hours.

Our small village operates a solid waste program where we pull household garbage and recycle materials once a week from the curbside on Tuesdays. We only charge \$2.00 per bag for small white garbage bags (kitchen size) and \$4.00 per bag for large black bags. Commingled aluminum or other metal cans, glass and plastic #1, 2, 4, 5 & 7 can all be mixed together in your recycling bin. Newspapers and cardboard can be mixed together and securely tied or in paper bags.

Our highway department is equipped with special trucks and trailers to move the garbage all for only \$2 or \$4 per week. Garbage bags must be tagged to enable a recycling pick-up. The resource recovery program is designed to help the planet and the village **so please reduce, reuse and recycle.**

The Village is also promoting individual composting effort so you can reduce your household waste tonnage. You will be amazed at how much less garbage you will have to tag for removal if you compost your vegetable waste.

Lastly, we are less expensive than private haulers and our crews work without excessively large equipment and the noise it generates so we can have an early morning quiet. Please support the village's effort at resource recovery and buy your tags at the Village Hall, Town Hall or Mac's Agway.

"You can't hide your true colors as you approach the autumn of your life"