




**VIBRANT VILLAGE POST**  
**WINTER 2012-2013**

1. **Village Water System Update** – National Metering out of Kearny, New Jersey has been selected to replace all of the customers' water meters free of charge to residents. **Please note – a section has been placed on the payment stub** of the water bills for residents to put their telephone number and e-mail address. ***It is important that this be completed and returned with your normal payment in order for the contractor to contact the residents and schedule a time to come by and replace the meter.*** If you have any questions please contact Village Hall at 758-1081.
2. The Village would like to give a sincere **“thank you”** to Mary Kelly, Kim Gomez and the Red Hook Fire Department for their work in decorating the Village Building for the holidays.
3. **SIDEWALKS - BUSINESSES & RESIDENTS HAVE 24 HOURS TO REMOVE ANY SNOW OR ICE FROM SIDEWALKS.** If sidewalks are not cleared the Village Highway Department will remove the snow at a cost to the resident of \$2.00 per linear foot.
4. Residents are reminded that there is **“NO-PARKING”** along any Village streets effective November 1<sup>st</sup> through March 31<sup>st</sup> between the hours of 11:00pm – 6:00am.
5. In the event of major storms we have no option but to create snow piles on the edges of each street. Corner lots are particularly subject to snow piling where plow paths intersect. We will attempt to move them with small equipment, but are limited by space and weather conditions. Snow clearing and movement are a part of winter in the Northeast so we all have to work together and help keep our streets and hydrants clear.
6. A reminder to have all Christmas trees curbside by January 31<sup>st</sup> for removal. 
7. The brush landfill is closed effective December 8, 2012 and will re-open in the spring.
8. “Red Hook Winter Market” – The Elemendorph Inn is hosting their fourth annual Red Hook Winter Market. The Market will be open between 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. Fresh produce, meats and products, all grown, raised and produced in the Town of Red Hook, will be offered. “Enjoy live music, warm food & drink!”  
Dates: December 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> - January 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> - February 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> - March 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> and April 6<sup>th</sup>  
Remember to shop local first for as many things as possible.
9. A reminder that the Village of Red Hook Building is a drop-off location for donations for “Hugs From Home” (**Local Citizens Sending Care Packages to our Troops**).
10. Please visit the Red Hook Library website at <http://redhooklibrary.org> or by calling 758-3241.
11. Residents interested in donating scrap metal can contact Village of Red Hook Highway Superintendent Dan Streib at 758-8600 or Clerk Cindi Cole at 758-1081 to arrange for pick-up. Proceeds from this program go toward purchasing tools/equipment for the Red Hook Village Highway Department.
12. Wedding Bells in your future? Our Village Judges and Mayor can perform wedding ceremonies. If you would like Judge Triebwasser or Judge Coon to perform your wedding, you may call the Court at 845-758-4113. For full details please visit our website at: [www.redhooknyvillage.org](http://www.redhooknyvillage.org).
13. A reminder to residents that on March 10, 2013, Daylight Saving Time Begins. A reminder to check the batteries in your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors.
14. The Village of Red Hook **must receive in writing**, from the property owner, any request for the turn-off of water service.
15. **NOTICE OF VILLAGE OFFICE CLOSING DATES:**  
**Monday, January 21, 2013 (Martin Luther King, Jr. Day)** – garbage pick-up will be on Tuesday, January 22, 2013.  
**Monday, February 18, 2013 (Presidents' Day)** – garbage pick-up will be on Tuesday, February 19, 2013.

**Monday, December 24 and Tuesday, December 25, 2012 (Christmas)** – garbage pick-up will be on Monday, December 24, 2012.

**Monday, December 31, 2012 and Tuesday, January 1, 2013 (New Years)** – garbage pick-up will be on Monday, December 31, 2012.

16. We ask that residents remember to remove all basketball hoops/equipment from the roadways during the winter (plowing) season. The Village of Red Hook will not be responsible for any damage if the basketball hoops/equipment are not removed.

17. **RED HOOK VILLAGE ELECTIONS – MARCH 19, 2013; Time: 12:00-9:00pm; Place: Village Hall**  
**2 Trustee positions – 4 year term**

### **RESOURCE RECOVERY NEWS**

18. Reminder - the Village of Red Hook is now doing single stream recycling. All recyclables (paper, comingled and newspaper) can now be placed together in a proper plastic container for pick up. Recycling is free with the purchase of garbage tags. ***Please do not over fill containers.*** Tags are on sale at Village Hall from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm and always at Red Hook Natural Foods and Mac's Agway.

In conjunction with Bard College, we are planning an e-waste special pick-up on Saturday, January 19, 2013 for TVs, phones, small batteries, computers, etc. Bring e-waste to Village parking lot from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., or call for pick up (758-1081) or e-mail at redhookrecycles.gmail.com.

### **VILLAGE GREEN NEWS ITEMS**

VILLAGE GREEN WISHES YOU A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON AND A HEALTHY, HAPPY, GREEN NEW YEAR! As 2012 comes to a close, all of us in Village Green want to thank our donors, our volunteers, Village officials, the Village Highway Department, and Village employees for their continued support. Thanks to all of you, we celebrated our 10th year as a Tree City by planting 25 trees in parks and along streets and by contributing grant money toward the purchase of 23 benches for the Village.

Here are some "Winter Care Tips for Young Trees" (source - Trees are Good):

1. Put composted organic mulch under your tree in the fall or early winter to help retain water and reduce temperature extremes. A thin layer of mulch will act like a blanket and give the tree's roots a little extra winter protection.
2. Prune your trees. Winter is actually one of the best times to prune because it is easier to see the structure of trees without their leaves. But limit pruning to deadwood and poorly placed branches in order to save as many living branches as possible.

### **OTHER NEWS**

19. **Dutchess County 911:** A reminder to residents – please make sure that your address number is affixed to the structure near the main entrance of the structure. If the structure is more than 50 feet from the road, or when the entrance of the building is not visible from the road, the numbers shall be placed on a rigid post at the end of the driveway. The post and numbers must be visible from the road, upon approach from any direction. A mailbox may be used in place of a rigid post. Residential and Business address numbers shall not be less than 4 inches in height. Numbers must be made of a **durable and clearly visible material**. Material should be reflective if possible. Apartments, townhouses, shopping centers or other similar groups, where only one number is assigned, shall display their address number at the main entrance. Numbers for individual units or establishments within the complex, shall be displayed on, above or to the side of the main doorway to each unit.

20. Please note: Prescription drug drop-off is no longer available at the Village Hall.

*“May your walls know joy, may every room hold laughter, and every window open to great possibility.” – Mary Anne Radmacher*

