

# TOWN OF KINGSTON **Newsletter**

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**During spring clean-up,**  
if you have any old  
blankets, towels, or pillows,  
please bring them to the  
**UC ASPCA** on:  
**20 Wiedy Road,** Kingston  
will accept your donations.  
Call for hours & information  
**845-331-5377**

**Any questions call Fire Chief  
Dave Hoffman at 845-399-6244**

Visit our Facebook page at:  
[www.facebook.com/TownofKingstonNewYork](http://www.facebook.com/TownofKingstonNewYork)

**GRIEVANCE DAY**  
Wednesday, following the 4th Tuesday in May.  
**May 27, 2026**

## SPRING CLEAN-UP - WASTE MANAGEMENT

The Town of Kingston has scheduled a town wide spring cleanup; *to include Bluestone Acres*. The trucks will collect **SATURDAY, MAY 2 or MAY 9, 2026 depending on where you live. SEE PAGE 4.** Only one pass will be made through each area. **View your day** on the Town website under **Documents** and next to **Trash & Recycling**. You can also pick up a hard copy of the list at the Town Hall. Please have **items in separate piles and loose items bagged**. **No household garbage**. Break down cardboard boxes. Bundle & stack items neatly for collection. **Upholstered furniture** will be collected.

**Waste Management and the Town Highway Dept. will not be liable for damage to resident's property, or clean-up of remains.**

### TAGS for the FOLLOWING ITEMS MUST BE PURCHASED at the TOWN HALL.

- ➡ Mattresses, white ware, refrigerators and tires, must be paid for in advance.
- ➡ Tags may be purchased at the Town Hall between 8am & 1pm, 4/13/26 thru 4/30/26 only.
- ➡ Or: There is a drop box at the Town Hall front door. Please put your request in an envelope with payment made out to *Town of Kingston*. Checks, money orders, or exact cash. Please put your **name, address phone number & types of tags needed** on the envelope. Leave enough time for return mail service to receive your tag & receipt.

**Waste Mgt. will pick these up. Please place separately, so the driver can easily see the tag.**

Mattresses & Boxsprings (including sofa beds)	\$9.00 each
<i>Above MUST be in bags or wrapped in plastic. (U-Haul sells bags)</i>	
White Ware – Washers, dryers, stoves, hot water heaters, water holding tanks	\$20.00 each
White Ware (with freon) Air Conditioners/Refrigerators	\$25.00 each
Automobile Tires	\$6.00 each
Tires 16" - with rims	\$20.00 each
Tires over 16" - with rims	\$30.00 each
Loader Tires	\$225.00 each

### NO IMPORTING - THIS IS A SERVICE PAID FOR BY TOWN RESIDENTS!!

#### NOT ALLOWED

Tree stumps, paints, stains, sealers, solvents, pesticides, chemicals (wet or dry), loose trash or rubbish, motor oils or fuels, computers, TV's, DVD players or electronics, & propane tanks.

**NO CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS:** No shingles, sheetrock, windows, sliding glass doors, or skylights; no pallets.

**METAL** - including appliances (white ware), must be placed in a separate pile from the above items. Metal items such as pipes, etc., no longer than 6 ft. A separate truck will collect metal.

#### **ALL APPLIANCE DOORS MUST BE REMOVED!**

**Tree Wood/Brush** - In separate pile, no longer than 4 ft. and maximum diameter of 4", leaves must be bagged in plastic or paper bags.

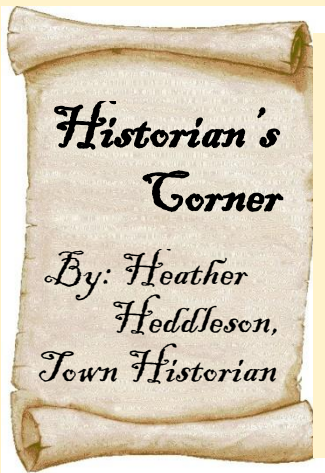
# MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

**Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM**  
refreshments & slide show

Please join us at the Town Monument as we honor our veterans.

**Memorial Day Service at Saint Ann's**

**Monday, May 25 at 12:00 noon**



Town of Kingston, Town of Kingston, how does your garden grow? With quarryman tools, bluestone boulders, and fossils of shells in a row!

In addition to being the land of bluestone quarries the Town of Kingston has a rich agricultural heritage. How are you continuing the tradition? Do you have raised garden beds? Chickens? Beehives? Rows and rows of flowers and carrots? When you are digging down into the soil, what are you finding? Glass bottles, buttons, old metal toys? Have you split any of the stones to find fossils from the Devonian Period (419-359 million years ago)? Tell me about it! Email [historian@tokny.us](mailto:historian@tokny.us) to share your finds and tell me what you are growing this season.

## CAN WE FLY 50 FLAGS THIS YEAR?

The Sawkill Auxiliary will be hosting its **4<sup>th</sup> Field of Honor.**

If you participated last year, you can **return your flag** to us to be re-flown for a donation of your choosing.

If you are joining us for the **first time or need an additional flag.** A \$40 donation is suggested. Sarah Fassett will be making **new name tags** for all flags.

**The Field is for all Service Members, there is no TOK residency requirement.**

**Submit order form by April 1**

 **Sawkill Fire Auxiliary**   
Presents  
**The Field of Honor**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Flag in Honor Of: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Military Branch: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle One:    New Participant  
                   Returning Participant

 \$40 donation for a new flag cash or check made out to The Sawkill Fire Auxiliary   
 Submit order form by May 1, 2023



## **FRIENDS OF ST. ANN'S NEWS**

### **Meetings for 2026 at Saint Ann's Church**

Wednesday, **April 16, 7:00pm**

Wednesday, **June 18, 7:00pm**

Wednesday, **August 20, 7:00pm**

Memorial Day: **Monday, May 25 at 12:00 pm**

Novena to Saint Ann: **July 18 - 26 at 7:00 pm**

Feast of Saint Ann Mass: **July 26 at 7:00 pm**

Visit the website for Masses & meetings at:

[http://www.saintanns.org/upcoming\\_events.html](http://www.saintanns.org/upcoming_events.html)

For information on purchasing grave sites:

<http://www.saintanns.org/plots.html>

Join our email list at:

<http://www.saintanns.org/guestbook.html>

Follow us on Facebook at

<http://www.facebook.com/FriendsofSaintAnns>



## **SAWKILL SENIORS**

Monthly meetings are held on the **second Monday** of the month **at 1:00**. The meetings begin with a guest speaker and formal format, followed by a 50/50 raffle, refreshments, socializing, and lunch. There will also be BINGO, or a card game for those who wish to participate. Watch for the Sawkill Senior newsletter on Facebook's, "I'm From Sawkill and Proud of it" and in the Town Hall.

### **Meetings**

**April 13**— *Julia Betts* of Adam's Fairacre Farms with *Gardening tips*.

**May 11**— Pizza & Ice Cream Social

**June 8**— *Harry VanVliet* of Gilpatrick VanVliet Funeral Home on *Preparing Life Choices*.

**July 13**— Luncheon with gift card raffles.

**Look forward to:** outings, local matinee movies, games, lunch...

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In 2025 the Seniors went on a trolley ride to Rotary Park, visited the Trolley Museum and had a picnic at Kingston Point Beach. They went to Mac-Haydn for the musical Margaritaville and went out to lunch. They also took a fall foliage boat ride on the Hudson River.

## **Spring Clean-Up. The following roads are scheduled:**

### **First Pick-Up: May 2**

Barbara Terrace, Basin Road, Brian Steeves Circle, Clear Horn Road, Grey Lane, Hallihans Hill Road, Myers Road, Miggins Road, Murry Road, Ruby Road, Sawkill Road (from 752 to 932), South Road, Route 28, Route 28A, Stoddard Lane, Van Steenberg Lane, Waughkonk Road, Wintergreen Hill Road.

### **Second Pick-Up: May 9**

Adas Way, Connors Road, Dogwood Lane, E. Ridge Drive, Hill Road, Jockey Hill Road, Melissa Road, Morey Hill Road, North Conifer Court, Nancy Court, Old Ballpark Road, Powdermill Bridge Road, Sawkill Park Road, Sawkill Road (from 936 to 1271), Woods Road, Bluestone Acres.

## **Assessor Hours**

Wednesday, April 22 8:30 to 10:30

Wednesday, April 29 8:30 to 10:30

**Daniel Baker Cell: 845-750-1622**

**Town Hall: 845-336-8853 x 18**



**Sunday, May 10**


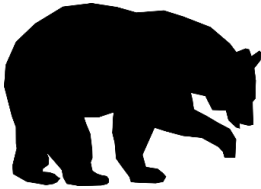
Today is also Clean Up Your Room Day. Do it for Mom. This is her day. Then take her out to eat because it's also National Shrimp Day!

Father's Day is coming up on June 21.

**What does the Sawkill Auxiliary Do?**  
Organize Community Events  
Fundraising  
Feed our first responders during long calls.  
Setup the Firehouse for Emergency Evacuations

**Who can join the Sawkill Auxiliary?**  
We welcome all people, not just ladies.  
**I'd like to join but I'm low on spare time.**  
That's ok, you can participate as your schedule allows.  
**I'd like to join but I don't have childcare.**  
That's ok! Bring the kids! We love them!  
**I'd like to join but I don't know anyone.**  
This is a great way to meet caring and helpful neighbors!

**When do you meet?**  
3rd Monday of the month @ 7,  
No summer meetings, no rsvp required. Just show up.

## BEAR SIGHTINGS

Bear sightings in the area have residents concerned.

Here are some suggestions from the NYS DEC (Department of Conservation).

- **Remove bird feeders after April 1<sup>st</sup>.** New York's black bears begin emerging from their winter dens in mid to late March. Bird feeders such as suet and seeds are a very strong attraction for bears.
- Garbage is extremely attractive to bears! It should always be kept in sealed garbage cans inside a sturdy building like a garage or shed. Anything with an odor can attract a bear. **Mask garbage odors with ammonia soaked rags.**
- Do not place meat or bones in compost piles.
- Remove the grease can from grills after every use. Turn the grill on 'high' for several minutes to burn residual odors off the grill.
- **Do not place food outside** to attract wildlife (birds, squirrels, etc.).
- **Do not feed pets outside.** Leftover food or even an empty dish can attract a bear.
- Do not operate refrigerators or freezers outside or on porches. Bears can smell what is inside.
- Electric fencing is an effective tool for keeping bears out of compost and gardens.

### IF YOU ENCOUNTER A BEAR:

**Never approach, surround or corner a bear** - Bears aggressively defend themselves when they feel threatened. Be especially cautious around cubs as mother bears are very protective.

**Never run from a bear** - Stay calm, speak loud and in a calm voice. Slowly back away and leave the area.

**Use noise to scare away bears** - Yell, clap, wave arms, bang pots to scare the bear away.

**For more information, contact the nearest DEC regional office.**

## Sawkill Troop 8 Scouts

### *We just had a girl join!*



- **Friday, April 24th - Sunday, April 26th - Troop 8's Boston Trip** - Our Troop is heading to Boston! We are staying overnight in cabins at Base Camp New England and will visit the New England Aquarium, USS Constitution + Museum, Freedom Trail, Quincy Market, Bunker Hill Monument, and Blue Hills Trailside Museum. Scouts will all work on their American Heritage Merit Badge while on this trip!
- **Friday, May 1st - Sunday, May 3rd - Camp Tri-Mount Spring Camporee** - We'll be camping out for the weekend at Camp Tri-Mount for the Rip Van Winkle District's Spring Camporee. Lots of fun activities are planned and our Scouts will all work on rank advancement as they proceed on their "Trail to Eagle".
- **Tuesday, May 12th - Scout Service at St. Ann's Church - @ 7 PM** - Our Troop will hold a "Scout Service" at St. Ann's. Scouts from our troop will plan the service and invite participants to share and present.
- **Thursday, May 21st - Ulster County Candlelight Vigil - County Building @ 8 PM** - Our Troop volunteers every year to assist with this special event. We'll participate in the flag ceremony as well as distribute and collect candlelight vigil candles.
- **Monday, May 25th - Town of Kingston Memorial Day Ceremony @ 10 AM** - We proudly support and participate in the Town's Memorial Day Ceremony every year. It is an honor to join in on this special ceremony.
- **Tuesday, May 26th - Fishing Derby at Robert Post Park - @ 5:30 PM** - Scouts will compete and demonstrate their fishing skills in our annual Fishing Derby. We'll see if our Scouts can beat past record catches.
- **Tuesday, June 16th - Spring Court of Honor - @ 7 PM** - This special evening recognizes the achievements and advancement of all of our Scouts over the course of our Scouting year.
- **Tuesday, June 23rd - End of Year Troop Picnic and Potluck - Robert Post Park @ 5:30 PM**. This is our final celebratory feast and family gathering before the summer months.

### Further into the future:

- **Sunday, July 5th - Saturday, July 11th - Summer Camp @ Rotary Scout Reservation** - Our Troop will spend the week at Summer Camp where all scouts will have an awesome time working on various merit badges such as swimming, first aid, archery, rifle shooting, wilderness survival, environmental science, pioneering, and many more!
- **Saturday, Sept 26th - Sunday, Sept 27th - Troop 8's Garlic Chowder Booth @ the HV Garlic Festival** - Come out and visit our booth where we sell some amazing Garlic Chowder!
- Even further into the future... **July 2nd - July 19th, 2027 - Troop 8's Philmont Scout Ranch Trek 2027** - Troop 8 returns to Cimarron, NM and the Philmont Scout Ranch for a 12-day backpacking trek through the Southern Rocky Mountains! In 2024, our Scouts backpacked over 100 miles in 12 days reaching elevations of 12,000 ft. Just like in 2024, our Troop will take a train across the country for this epic adventure.

If you are interested in learning more about Troop 8 and Scouting, please feel free to reach out to our Scoutmaster Michael Circe at 518-221-5231 or [michaelcirce@gmail.com](mailto:michaelcirce@gmail.com). Thank you!

**The Troop meets 7:00 pm Tuesdays at the fire house: 896 Sawkill Road**