October Newsletter Greetings from Kingston Parks and Rec

October Important Dates

1st: Coloring Contest and "Howl-O-Ween" Contest opens

3rd: "Kingston Community Bike Ride"

10th: "Fall Foliage Paddle"

13th: "I Love Nature" program begins

17th: "Riverkeeper Clean Sweep" at Rotary Park

23rd: Last day to submit coloring contest and "Howl-O-Ween" photos

29th: "Full Moon Hike" at Rotary Park



Office Hours Monday through Friday

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Covid Visitor Protocol

To visit the Parks and Rec offices you will need to first go to Kingston City Hall, 420 Broadway and have your temperature taken and answer a quick survey. You will then be allowed to enter the Andy Murphy Center. We highly recommend, if your business or questions can be handled by mail or email, to use those alternatives.



Programs and Events

Kingston Parks Coloring Contest: New this year we are offering a coloring contest! Download the coloring page off the Kingston Parks and Rec website or our Facebook page. Color in you favorite picture and submit for a chance to win a \$25 Recreation Credit, can be used at any time during 2020-2021 season. Prizes will be awarded to the winner of each age group: 4-6, 7-9 and 10-13. All entries must be submitted by Oct. 23rd. For more details call KC Keegan at (845) 481-7336.

<u>"Howl-O-Ween" Pet Photo Contest:</u> Dress up your pet for Halloween (all pets will be considered not just cats and dogs)! Snap a photo of your spooky companion and email the photo. All entries must be received by Oct. 23. Photos will be uploaded to the Kingston Parks and Recreation Facebook page and the community will decide a winner. Email photos to kckeegan@kingston-ny.gov.

Riverkeeper Clean Sweep: Give back to your community by helping us clean up Rotary Park on Oct. 17th from 9:00am-Noon. We will need assistance clearing the trails of branches and overgrowth, cleaning garbage from the site and possibly painting park structures. This event is in partnership with Riverkeeper.

Kingston Community Bike Ride: Saturday Oct. 3 choose between two fun bike rides! At 9am our 12+ mile ride will kick off and will lead you on a tour of some of Kingston's most beautiful parks and murals. Or, at 10:30am join us for an easy 3 mile family ride along the Kingston waterfront. Rides begin from Kingston Point Beach. For more information, please contact Kingston Parks and Recreation Department at (845) 481-7336 or register online at www.kingstonparksandrec.org. This event is hosted in partnership with Bike Friendly Kingston and Tour de Kingston.

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Full Moon Walk: October 29th, as the sun sets and the moon rises, join us on this easy one mile walk, at Rotary Park, that will take us along the Hudson River. where we can listen to the last of the peepers for the season and who knows what else we'll hear! Learn about the nocturnal creatures of the area and with Halloween so close by—maybe we'll get to hear a werewolf! AOOOOO!!! Please bring a flashlight or headlamp! Registration is limited to 15 people per walk so register early at www.kingstonparksandrec.org.

Fall Foliage Paddle: On October 10 paddle along the Hudson River during one of the most scenic times of the year! Enjoy the leaves changing and the natural beauty on the river. This paddle launches from Kingston Point at 9:30am and noon. All tours are 2hrs and include equipment and guide. Cost is \$30 for Kingston Residents and \$40 for non residents. Register at kingtsonparksandrec.org or call (845) 481-7330.

I Love Nature Series: This series is designed for your child to get outside and foster a new love for nature and science. With programs covering adaptation and forest ecology to fort building and hands on animal time, this program will cover a lot of nature in just three weeks!

Program will be held Tuesday Oct. 13, 20 and 27. Times will be decided on the grade of the child.

-Ages 2-4 will be held at 1pm-2pm (we require parents to remain during the program).

- -Grades K-4 program will be held 4pm-5pm
- -Grades 5-8 program will be held 3pm-4pm
- Each attendee will be required to wear a mask during the program. Each group is limited to 12 people and lasts one hour.