Kingston Parks & Recreation Office
Andy Murphy Neighborhood Center
467 Broadway, Kingston, New York 12401
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Offices for the Parks & Recreation Department are located at the Andy Murphy Neighborhood Center, 467 Broadway, Kingston.

Office Hours are Monday-Friday, 8:30 am—4:30 pm

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The armory building was designed by renowned architect, J.A. Wood. It opened as the armory April 16, 1888. The City of Kingston gained possession of the building in 1933 and renamed it The Municipal Auditorium. Dances, shows, boxing matches and basketball games were held there. In 1982, it was renamed the Midtown Neighborhood Center and became home of the Kingston Parks & Recreation Department. On October 24 2008, it was renamed The Andy Murphy Neighborhood Center.

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**RECREATION COMMISSION**

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Maureen Byrd-Blue  
Joe McDole  
Al Nace  
Ellen Venditti  
Ron Woods  
Steve Schabot - Liaison, Ward 8 Alderman
Registration for Parks & Recreation programs can be done using one of the following methods:

**ONLINE 24/7**
Check out our secure, online registration at [www.kingstonparksandrec.org](http://www.kingstonparksandrec.org)

**PHONE**
Call the Parks & Recreation Office to register for programs using MasterCard, Visa, Discover or American Express.
Office hours are Mon-Fri 8:30am to 4:30pm
CALL (845) 481-7330

**WALK-IN**
Register in person at our office, located on the second floor of the Andy Murphy Midtown Neighborhood Center, 467 Broadway, Kingston.
We accept cash, checks or credit cards

- Pre-registration is required and is on a first-come, first served basis.
- Registration will continue as long as spaces are available. A waiting list will be established when a class reaches its maximum.
- Immunization records and/or consent forms may be required for some programs.
- Refunds or transfer requests will be considered and granted at the discretion of the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation.
- Park rentals have a **No Refund Policy** (except in the event of an emergency). In the event of an emergency, the permit holder will be given an opportunity to reschedule a different date/time.
Academy Green Park is the most historic of all of the city’s parks. On July 15, 1660 on this site, Governor Peter Stuyvesant negotiated a peace treaty between early settlers and the Esopus Indians. This "memorable gathering under the sky of heaven" concluded one of several wars over land rights. Academy Green was deeded to the City by the Trustees of the former Kingston Academy for $1 on July 18, 1918. Bronze statues of Henry Hudson, Peter Stuyvesant and former Governor George Clinton add to the historical significance of the park.
Block Park is named after Morris Block who served as the Mayor of Kingston from 1905-06 & again from 1924 until his death in 1926. Block Park on Abeel Street was first leased to the City in 1924 by the Delaware & Hudson Railroad Company. In the late 1930’s, as part of a WPA project, a large pavilion was constructed along with tennis courts, handball courts and a wading pool. The City of Kingston received ownership of Block Park in February, 1955 for the price of $1 from the Erie Land & Improvement Co. of Jersey City, NJ. In the 1970’s, a lighted softball field was constructed and today is used for the city’s adult softball league.
PARKS & FACILITIES

FORSYTH PARK

157 Lucas Avenue

AMENITIES

- Pavilion
- 10 Picnic tables
- 2 Grills
- Ron Woods Tennis Complex
- Basketball court
- Handball court
- “Kinderland II” Playground
- Woodland trails
- Forsyth Nature Center
- Restrooms

PAVILION RENTAL FEES

Weekends/Holidays
  - City Resident: $110/day
  - Non-Resident: $150/day

Weekdays
  - City Resident: $65/day
  - Non-Resident: $90/day

In July, 2017, the tennis courts at Forsyth Park were completely restored & renamed “The Ron Woods Tennis Complex!” The restoration work was funded by a grant from the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation, private donations & funding from the Mid-Hudson Valley Tennis Association. The new courts are used for the Parks & Recreation summer NJTL program. They are available for public use, and host the Ulster County Open Tournament & the Tony Bell/Bill Weaver Memorial Junior Tournament. For more information about the tennis programs, call (845) 481-7330
The Mission of the Forsyth Nature Center is “To foster the exploration of the natural world in and around our community through educational programming and contact with flora and fauna at an interpretive facility”. The Forsyth Nature Center features 24 animal exhibits & a dozen gardens that contain a variety of native flora found right here in the Hudson Valley, and 3 picnic areas. The Nature Center is open year-round!

**January-May and October-December**
Monday-Friday  9:00am - 5:00pm  
Saturday-Sunday  9:00am - 1:00 pm

**June-September**
Monday-Friday  7:00am - 7:00pm  
Saturday-Sunday  9:00am - 5:00 pm

The Forsyth Nature Center picnic area is available for party rentals!

**$100** for City of Kingston residents  
**$125** for non-residents

For more information, contact Mark DeDea (845) 339-3053 or mdedea@kingston-ny.gov
Formerly known as McVey’s Field, Hasbrouck Park was purchased by the City of Kingston in stages. Beginning in 1920, the City bought part of the park from members of Jansen Hasbrouck’s estate. Two years later, the city purchased additional land from the Hasbrouck family for $100. In 1928, Kingston paid $6,000 to the Newark Limestone & Cement Company to complete the purchase of Hasbrouck Park as we know it today. The lithograph above shows the land owned by the Newark Lime & Cement Company. The knoll in the background is the land that would become Hasbrouck Park!
One of the most unique assets to Hasbrouck Park is the Stone Building near the entrance. The Stone Building was built in 1919 by the Newark Lime & Cement Company. The company began removing & burning limestone from the caves in and around Hasbrouck Park in 1845. The building served as an office for the company. Many years later, in 1999, the building was renamed the Emilio Primo Building.

Today, the building is used to host parties, workshops, meetings & summer recreational programs.
A band concert at Hutton Park in the summer of 1991

Hutton Park, located on Clifton Avenue & Grant Street, was donated to the City in a will left by Eliza Hutton of Garden City, Long Island on October 19, 1937. Major improvements were made to the facility under WPA projects in the late 1930’s. A pavilion was constructed, and playground equipment and wading pool were added. The wading pool was removed in 1991 because future plans called for the construction of a modern playground structure at the site.
PARKS & FACILITIES

KINGSTON POINT BEACH
50 Delaware Avenue

AMENITIES
Pavilion
Waterfront pavilion
6 Picnic tables
2 Grills
Bike rack
Playground
Benches
Bath House/Restrooms
Beach Volleyball courts
Boat/kayak launch

PAVILION RENTAL FEES

Weekends/Holidays
City Resident: $110/day
Non-Resident: $150/day

Weekdays
City Resident: $65/day
Non-Resident: $90/day

The Kingston Point Beach is open year-round, dusk till dawn. Kingston Point Beach is one of only four designated swimming beaches along the Hudson River. The beach is open for swimming from June -August with lifeguards on duty Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 11am-5pm. There is also a small playground on the grounds for children!
Loughran Park on Manor Place and Charlotte Street is named for the original owners of the land, Mabel S. and James F. Loughran, former Superintendent of Highways. During the 1930’s, the Loughrans allowed the City to use the land for a baseball field and playground for a rental fee of $1. On June 28th, 1948, the Loughrans deeded ownership of the land to the City for $1. The baseball field at the park was refurbished in 1991. The city recently added pickleball courts to the park!
The most magnificent park in Kingston’s history was Kingston Point Park! It was created by Samuel D. Coykendall, who rose from a store clerk to a transportation mogul with an empire that included trains, trolleys, boats and a canal. From swampland, Coykendall developed an elegantly landscaped amusement park that drew visitors from throughout the Hudson Valley. A highlight of the park was a new attraction called the Ferris Wheel, named after it’s inventor who introduced it at Chicago’s Columbian Exposition in 1893. Other amusements included a penny arcade, casino, shooting gallery, 900-seat theatre, bandstand, dance pavilion and a sandy beach!
PARKS & FACILITIES
T.R. GALLO WEST STRAND PARK
Lower Broadway on the Rondout Waterfront

AMENITIES
13 Picnic tables
38 Benches
Scenic views
Kayak launch
Restrooms
Gazebos
Full service marina
Walking promenade
Nearby shops & restaurants

RENTAL FEES/INFO
Weekends/Holidays
City Resident: $110/day
Non-Resident: $150/day

Weekdays
City Resident: $65/day
Non-Resident: $90/day

The Kingston City Marina located in T.R. Gallo West Strand Park, is a full service, deep water marina. There is dock space for vessels up to 150 feet! The marina provides potable water service, electricity, free WiFi, marine repair facility & a restroom with a shower. Dock & Dine fee is $10 for up to 4 hours. Overnight fees vary by length of vessel. Visit www.kingstoncitymarina for more details, or call (845) 331-6940
Located in the Historic Rondout District of Kingston, Cornell Park is a beautiful, neighborhood park with scenic views of the Rondout Creek, benches & open space covered with an array of mature trees. Cornell Park is named after one of Kingston’s richest and well known citizens from the past, Thomas Cornell, owner of the Cornell Steamboat Company. Thomas Cornell lived adjacent to the present park. The upper portion of the park features a veterans monument, while the lower section of the park offers families a place to relax and play!

Van Buren Street playground is a small, pocket-park located in the heart of Midtown. The playground provides a fun, safe environment for kids to play right in their own backyard!
Another of Kingston’s wonderful neighborhood pocket parks, Barmann Park is located in the heart of one Kingston’s midtown neighborhoods. It features a basketball court & small playground and nearby is a baseball field that hosts leagues all summer long!

Located in the heart of Kingston’s Historic Stockade District, Peace Park is a beautiful, relaxing pocket park close to all the shops & restaurants Uptown. It features a “Little Free Library” so visitors can help themselves to a book while they’re there!
PARKS & FACILITIES

KINGSTON POINT PARK

KINGSTON POINT BMX
The Kingston Point BMX track is run by a group of dedicated volunteers. Located at 53 Delaware Avenue, the track is a great amenity to Kingston Point Park. Fun for all ages, the track is open to the public, and also hosts the Empire State BMX Nationals!
Call (845) 339-0618 or visit www.kingstonpointbmx.com for more information!

KINGSTON POINT DOG PARK
The Kingston Point Dog Park is a safe & secure place to let your dog run free & play with other dogs! All dogs must be licensed & vaccinated. Located adjacent to the softball field at Kingston Point, the park is open daily from dusk until dawn.

For more information about the BMX track or the dog park, contact the Kingston Parks & Recreation office at (845) 481-7330 or visit Facebook, Kingston Point BMX  or Friends of Kingston Point Dog Park!
The Andretta Pool is Kingston’s only public pool! Located adjacent to Dietz Stadium, it is a 6-lane, 25-meter pool that is open to the public from June through August. Adults can enjoy a designated, hour-long lap swim each day.

Call (845) 481-7330 or (845) 338-2115 for more information!

**DAILY ADMISSION**
- Resident Youth: $1 (Non-Res) $3
- Resident Senior: $2 (Non-Res) $4
- Resident Adult: $4 (Non-Res) $6

**SEASONAL POOL PASS**
- Resident Youth: $15 (Non-Res) $25
- Resident Senior: $15 (Non-Res) $60
- Resident Adult: $40 (Non-Res) $60
- Resident Family: $85 (Non-Res) $120

**SWIMMING LESSONS**
Swimming Lessons begin June 27th

**Available Sessions:**
- Wednesday & Thursday 10:00-11:00 am
- Wednesday & Thursday 11:00 am-Noon
- Friday 10:00-Noon

**Registration Fee:**
- Resident $50
- Non-Resident $75
The Robert Dietz Memorial Stadium is the home field for the Kingston High School “Tigers” sports teams! It is named for hometown hero, Robert H. Dietz, a Medal of Honor recipient who was killed in WWII. The stadium has a 400-meter track & turf athletic field. Dietz Stadium is Kingston’s most popular sports venue and host to numerous sporting & community events.

Dietz Stadium is used year-round for sporting events such as lacrosse, soccer, football, field hockey, track & field and cross country training.

For information about events at the stadium, call Rick Tavares (845) 331-4788 or email dietzfootball@aol.com

On Saturday, October 16, 1926, Babe Ruth of the New York Yankees played first base for the Kingston Colonials at the Kingston Fair Grounds, current day Dietz Stadium! His arrival caused a huge traffic jam on North Front Street. “The Babe” had 3 hits in 4 times at bat & the Colonials won 1-0, but Kingston fans were a bit disappointed because, after watching him hit balls into the quarry behind right field during batting practice, he didn’t hit a homerun during the game. The next day, however, at an exhibition game in Montreal, he hit two!
FACILITY RENTALS

ANDY MURPHY “MIDTOWN” NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER &
THE RONDOUT NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

ANDY MURPHY
NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

467 Broadway
Large auditorium space
Handicap accessible
Full catering kitchen
Restrooms
Limited off street parking
Facility can be used for specials events,
 fundraisers, sporting events
Table/chairs NOT included in rental fee
Insurance certificates required

Call (845) 481-7330 for more details

RENTAL/MAINTENANCE FEES

$275 for 8 hours

$50 an hour maintenance fee, in addition to rental fee (min 3 hrs)
Facilities not available for rent before 6:00 am or after 9:00 pm without prior permission.
Payment required 1 month before event
SUMMER CAMP PROGRAMS

JUNIOR NATURALIST CAMP

Program includes:
- Hands-on animal time
- Hikes at local nature preserves
- Fishing on the Hudson River
- Kayaking at Kingston Point Beach
- Nature games & crafts
- Specialized group programs
- Forsyth Nature Center animal programs
- Summer bike program for older youth

Session A
Currently enrolled in Kindergarten or 1st grade
June 25-July 6

Session B
Currently enrolled in 2nd or 3rd grade
July 9-July 20

Session C
Currently enrolled in 4th or 5th grade
July 23-Aug 3

Session D
Currently enrolled in 6th, 7th or 8th grade

Program runs every Monday-Friday, 9am-3pm
For more information call (845) 481-7339

CAMP FEES

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SUMMER CAMP PROGRAMS

KINGSTON SUMMER PARKS PROGRAM

June 25 - August 10
Monday-Friday 9:00a.m.—3:00 p.m.
Choose from one of our great parks!
- Hasbrouck Park
- Loughran Park
- Hutton Park
- Forsyth Park

Our Summer Parks program keeps kids busy all summer long in a safe, fun-filled environment. Every day is a new adventure!

Activities include:
- Swimming
- Arts & Crafts
- Day trips
- Sports
- Games, and much more!
- Each camp participates in the annual “Children’s Day Parade” in July!

CAMP FEES

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YOUTH SPORTS

YOUTH/BIDDY BASKETBALL

Join the area’s premier youth basketball league!

DIVISIONS

- Co-Ed 7 Year Old
- Boys 8-10 Years Old
- Girls 8-12 Years Old
- Boys 11-13 Years Old
- Co-Ed 14-18 Years Old

New players are asked to join our clinic on Saturday, Oct. 20th at the Andy Murphy Neighborhood Center.

Registration begins mid-September - Practice begins in November
Games begin in December

Co-Ed 7 Year Olds play Friday nights at the Rondout Neighborhood Center
All others play Saturdays at the Andy Murphy (Midtown) Neighborhood Center

FEES

- Resident $45.00
- Non-Resident $65.00

For more information, contact Rob Dassie at (845) 481-7334 or rdassie@kingston-ny.gov
YOUTH SPORTS

JOHN COOK MEMORIAL BASKETBALL CAMP

Our youth basketball camp conducts quality, high-intensity drills that focus on improving a player’s skill set, while building character & confidence off the court! This camp will strengthen athletic ability & boost confidence to become a competitive, skilled player. The camp provides a focused & fun learning environment that cannot be rivaled!

Due to our commitment to provide specialized attention to each individual participant, the camp is limited to 30 spots.

REGISTER EARLY!

Aug. 13-17th
Ages 7-10  9:00 am - Noon          Ages 11-14  1:00-4:00 pm

FEES
Resident $65.00
Non-Resident $80.00

For more information, contact Rob Dassie at (845) 481-7334 or rdassie@kingston-ny.gov
YOUTH SPORTS

5-7 YEAR OLD BASKETBALL CLINIC

5-Week, Co-Ed clinic focuses on:

- Teaching fundamental skills
- Dribbling, passing, shooting, rebounding
- Value of teamwork & cooperation
- Building confidence in a safe environment
- Meeting new friends, having fun!

Only 25 spots available, so register early!

Program runs from January 31st-February 28th
Andy Murphy (Midtown) Neighborhood Center
Every Wednesday 4:00-5:00 pm

FEES

Resident $20.00
Non-Resident $25.00

For more information, contact Courtney Carroll at (845) 481-7337 or ccarroll@kingston-ny.gov
Our Flag Football program is designed to introduce young athletes to the game and develop their skills in football. Games played Monday nights under the lights at Dietz Stadium.

The program focuses on:
- Running & passing
- Offensive & defensive plays
- Value of teamwork & cooperation
- Building confidence

DIVISIONS
7-10 Years Old
11-14 Years Old

New players are asked to attend our player evaluation Thursday, Sept. 14 at the Andy Murphy Neighborhood Center

FEES
Resident $65.00
Non-Resident $80.00

For more information, contact Rob Dassie at (845) 481-7334 or rdassie@kingston-ny.gov
YOUTH SPORTS

YOUTH INDOOR VOLLEYBALL CLINIC

This 5-week program focuses on:

- Teaching fundamental skills
  - Reacting to the ball
- Court movements & team dynamics
- Value of teamwork & cooperation
- Building confidence in a safe environment
- Promoting volleyball as a fun & healthy activity

Program Begins October 15th
Every Wednesday 3:30-4:30 pm
Andy Murphy Neighborhood Center

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For more information, contact Courtney Carroll at (845) 481-7337 or ccarroll@kingston-ny.gov
The National Junior Tennis & Learning network is a nation-wide group of community organizations seeking to develop the character of young people through tennis & education. This program is designed to instill a love for tennis at any age by providing tennis fundamentals & instruction.

**DIVISIONS**

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For more information call (845) 481-7330 or visit [www.kingstonparksandrec.org](http://www.kingstonparksandrec.org)
THE RONDOUT NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

The Rondout Center hosts a free drop-in, after-school program from September through June. The program includes homework help, healthy snacks, recreational and educational programs. The staff are trained to foster a safe, healthy & happy place for kids to go after school! Located at 103 Broadway, Kingston

Open Monday-Friday, 3:00-5:00pm
Contact Rob Dassie (845) 481-7334 for more information

THE EVERETTE HODGE CENTER

The Hodge Center hosts a popular drop-in, after school program from September through June. This program includes homework help, healthy snacks, recreation & skill-building activities & more! The after school program is free and all school-age children are welcome to attend! Open Monday-Friday, 3:00-5:00 pm

For more information, contact the Hodge Center at (845) 331-9683 (845) 481-7330

AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Healthy Meals
- Recreational activities
- Outdoor games
- Environmental Club
- Field trips
- Homework help
- Computer lab
- Holiday celebrations
- Bike Club
- Garden Club
- Arts & Crafts

Please call the centers for program details
KAYAKING PROGRAMS

GOOD MORNING PADDLE
Guided kayak tour along the scenic Kingston waterfront. See eagles, osprey, turtles & much more!
Tours launch from Kingston Point Beach
9:30—11:30 a.m.
June 16, July 14, August 11

Kayaking 101
Learn the basics of kayaking, including kayaking maneuvers & water safety.
If time allows, there will be a guided tour on the river!
Tours launch from Kingston Point Beach
9:30—11:30 a.m.
June 30, July 28, & August 25

Kayaking With the Mayor
Join the Mayor of Kingston for an evening paddle on the Rondout Creek!
Tours launch from T.R. Gallo Park
6:00—8:00 p.m.
July 5, July 19, August 2 & August 16

Cost is $30 Kingston Residents
$40 Non Residents
Register online at www.kingstonparksandrec.org
For more information about our kayaking programs, contact KC Keegan-Twombly at (845) 481-7336 or kckeegan@kingston-ny.gov
RECREATION ACTIVITIES

BOXING PROGRAM

This boxing program focuses on teaching fundamental boxing skills, techniques and conditioning. Train under the direction of Coach Ellis Harris. Class includes cardio workout, shadow boxing, bag work, partner skills & core strengthening exercises.

Join us at the Andy Murphy (Midtown) Neighborhood Center where local World Champion Boxer Billy Costello trained!

Ages 14 & Up
The program is FREE & open to all!
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 5:00-7:00 p.m.

“MOVIES UNDER THE STARS”

Starting in June, enjoy FREE movies in our city parks! Movies are shown in different city parks on Saturday nights. Schedule will be announced in late Spring 2018. Bring a blanket, snacks & the whole family, and enjoy “movie night” under the stars!
Visit www.kingstonparksandrec.org or www.kingston-ny.gov for more information or follow us on Facebook at Kingston Parks and Recreation!

Movies are cancelled in the event of inclement weather.
FAMILY MAPLE SUGARING

Come visit Hasbrouck Park’s Stone Building on March 10th from 10:00am-12:00pm and learn the maple sugaring process from start to finish. This program is free and open to all and occurs entirely outdoors, so please dress appropriately. In the event of inclement weather, the program will be cancelled. Please call (845) 481-7339 for more information.

KINGSTON EARTH FAIR AND EXPO

The 6th annual sustainability fair will be held April 21st from 10am-4pm at the Forsyth Nature Center. This event features a variety of sustainable “green” initiatives along with resources for the community. The event is free and will include food, live music, demonstrations, book readings, an exchange store, and more.

Kingston Clean Sweep

On May 5th, join community members and the Friends of Historic Kingston for a city-wide day of cleaning! Volunteer to help pick up debris in a park or sweep along the Broadway corridor. A fun day for the whole family for a great cause! Come help keep our city looking its best! Visit kingtonparksandrec.org for more information & registration.

For more information about any of these events, please call the Parks & Recreation Department at (845) 481-7330 or visit us online at kingtonparksandrec.org. Follow us on Facebook at Kingston Parks and Recreation!
FAMILY EVENTS

LOVE YOUR PARK
COMMUNITY BIKE RIDE
On May 19, grab your bikes and join us for this free event! We will enjoy the day cycling through our city parks!

Rides for every skill level.
8:30 am  15-mile Ride through Kingston Parks
10:00 am  Bike Rodeo
11:30 am  3-mile Bike Ride Along the Waterfront

Kingston Kayak Festival
On June 9th, Kingston Point Beach will be hosting the Hudson River’s largest Kayak Festival! Join Kenco Outfitters & the City of Kingston for this exciting event which is sure to prepare you for a summer full of kayaking. Come for a kayak instruction, nature tours and boat demos.
Suggested $10 donation

Children’s Day Parade
Kingston’s annual “Children’s Day Parade” is a great community event that celebrates the summer season! On Friday July 6th, hundreds of children from local youth organizations, schools & summer camp programs will create floats focusing on our “Golden Anniversary.” Participation is free!
Contact the Parks & Recreation Department for more details at (845) 481-7330

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Follow us on Facebook at Kingston Parks and Recreation!
FAMILY EVENTS

Forsyth Nature Center’s FALL FESTIVAL

On October 7th, the Friends of Forsyth Nature Center & the Kingston Parks & Recreation Department host an annual “Fall Festival” as Forsyth Park from 11am-4pm. The event features live entertainment, music, crafts, children's games, delicious foods, interactive Nature Center demonstrations and more!

Fall Foliage RIVER RAMBLE

September 15th paddle along the Hudson River during one of the most spectacular times of the year! Join outdoor enthusiasts throughout the Hudson Valley as they enjoy the breathtaking beauty of the fall foliage.

BOO AT THE ZOO

Join the Friends of Forsyth Nature Center, Kingston Parks & Recreation and the Junior League of Kingston on October 26th from 5:30-7:30pm for a fun filled evening at the Forsyth Nature Center. “Boo at the Zoo” is a Halloween treat for children of all ages! Families are encouraged to come in costume & enjoy s’mores over a campfire, snacks & live entertainment.

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“REPLACE THE PARKS” PROGRAM

The Andy Murphy Neighborhood Center at 467 Broadway becomes a free, indoor playground for kids in the winter! The center will be open from 9:00 am-2:00 pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays from November to March. A large selection of toys & games are available for kids to play with. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

NOTE: If there is a school delay or cancellation due to inclement weather, this program will be cancelled.

SPRING BREAK Adventure Series

Looking for something fun to do over Spring Break? Kingston Parks & Recreation has the perfect solution! With activities such as bowling, hiking, archery, & more, you’ll be having way too much fun to be bored! Program is available for ages 7-11 and runs from March 26th–29th.

Call (845) 481-7336 or 481-7330 for more information

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Visit our webpage www.kingstonparksandrec.org or check us out on Facebook at Kingston Parks and Recreation! We strive to make a difference in our community by offering quality programs with a variety of interests. Some program fees may apply.
A NATURALIST’S PASSPORT

The Naturalist program offers hands-on, interactive nature programs designed for children of all ages! The program runs every Thursday from May 31st through August 30th from 3:30-4:30 pm and is free for all. Youth participants receive a participation gift & certificate upon completion of six programs.

Visit www.kingstonparksandrec.org for more information or call (845) 481-7336

“BOOKWORMS” PROGRAM

This wonderful, inter-generational program brings our seniors & children together for an hour of learning & fun! Seniors read nature-based stories to children at the John Burroughs Reading Nook at the Forsyth Nature Center. The program is every Tuesday at 11:00 am, beginning late June, and runs through early September. It is free and weather permitting!

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ADULT SPORTS

ADULT SOFTBALL

Registration begins February 1st
League games start the week of May 1st

Informational Meeting
Andy Murphy Neighborhood Center

Women’s Division—Tuesday, Feb. 20th @ 6:30 pm
Men’s Division—Wednesday, Feb. 21st @ 6:30 pm

Meeting is mandatory for ALL TEAM CAPTAINS

Fees

Sponsor Fee $555.00
Non-Resident Fee $40.00
Officials Fee $40.00/night CASH per team
Softball Fee $60.00 for 18 softballs
Forfeit Fee $160.00

ROSTERS & FEES must be submitted by March 26th
New teams may fill spots if rosters & fees are not submitted on time by returning teams.

For more information, contact
Courtney Carroll at (845) 481-7337 or ccarroll@kingston-ny.gov
ADULT SPORTS

ADULT CO-ED BEACH VOLLEYBALL

Registration begins April 9th

Informational Meeting
Andy Murphy Neighborhood Center

TUESDAY, APRIL 24th, 2018 @ 7:00 pm

Meeting is mandatory for ALL TEAM CAPTAINS!

Fees

Sponsor Fee $195.00
Non-Resident Fee $40.00
Officials Fee $15.00/ night CASH per team
Forfeit Fee $60.00

Returning teams must update their forfeit fee balance.
All residents MUST prove residency (eg. driver’s license)

ROSTERS & FEES must be submitted by APRIL 26th
New teams may fill spots if rosters & fees are not submitted on time by returning teams.

For more information, contact
Kevin Gilfeather at (845) 481-7333 or kgilfeather@kingston-ny.gov
INDOOR ADULT VOLLEYBALL

Registration begins August 27th
League starts the week of October 1st

Informational Meeting
Meetings held at the Andy Murphy Neighborhood Center

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Fees

- Sponsor Fee: $360.00
- Non-Resident Fee: $40.00
- Officials Fee: $15.00 (3 sets) / $25.00 (5 sets) CASH per team
- Forfeit Fee:
  - Co-ed and Women: $60.00
  - Men: $100.00

Returning teams must update their forfeit fee balance.

ROSTERS & FEES must be submitted by SEPT. 21
New teams may fill spots if rosters & fees are not submitted on time by returning teams.

For more information, contact
Courtney Carroll at (845) 481-7337 or ccarroll@kingston-ny.gov
OVER-30 MEN’S BASKETBALL

Registration begins Sept. 24th
League games start November 8th

Informational Meeting
Andy Murphy Neighborhood Center

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11th, 2018 @ 6:30 pm

Meeting is mandatory for ALL TEAM CAPTAINS

Fees

- Sponsor Fee $340.00
- Non-Resident Fee $40.00
- Officials Fee $45.00 CASH per team
- Forfeit Fee $180.00

Returning teams must update their forfeit fee balance.

ROSTERS & FEES must be submitted by OCTOBER 11th
New teams may fill spots if rosters & fees are not submitted on time by returning teams.

For more information, contact Rob Dassie at (845) 481-7334 or rdassie@kingston-ny.gov
ADULT/SENIOR PROGRAMS

**CERAMICS CLASS**

Monday & Tuesday 10:00 am—Noon
This is a 10-week class held April 30th– June 26th
and September 24th– December 4th.
The fee for Kingston residents is $30, non-residents $40
For registration information, call (845) 481-7330

**EXERCISE CLASS**

Monday & Friday 9:30-10:45 am
This exercise class offers a variety of low-impact exercises for seniors,
including chair exercises, light aerobics and stretching with bands.

**KINGSTON HOME KRAFTERS**

Monday 12:30 — 3:30 pm
Year-round crafting club that meets every Monday afternoon. Crafts
include crocheting, knitting, beading & seasonal crafts. Bring your craft supplies &
come for an afternoon of company & crafting
For more information, call (845) 481-7330

**LINE DANCING**

Wednesday
Beginners 9:30-10:00 am
Intermediate 10:00-11:00 am

Enjoy a morning of line dancing!
Choose your class and come join in the fun!

All of our Adult/Senior Programs are free and held in the
Andy Murphy Neighborhood Center, unless otherwise noted.
Call (845) 481-7330 for information on any programs.
CRAZY CANASTA!
Wednesday 12:30-4:00pm
Come to the Andy Murphy Neighborhood Center & enjoy an afternoon of card playing.
Players of all levels are welcome! Program is free & open to all.

BINGO!
Thursday 12:30—3:00pm
Spend Thursday afternoons playing Bingo & enjoying the company of others!
Light refreshments are served & all are encouraged to bring a snack to share.
Games are played in the Senior Lounge at the Andy Murphy (Midtown) Neighborhood Center.
All are welcome to join!

The City of Kingston Parks & Recreation Department offers a variety of programs for older adults to keep active, healthy and engaged in the community!
For more information about any of these programs,
Call (845) 481-7330
Visit www.kingstonparksandrec.org
Facebook at Kingston Parks and Recreation
SENIOR BUS TRIPS

Parks & Recreation offers a variety of bus trips throughout the year for our senior community!
Trips vary year to year, and have included Westchester Theater shows, shopping at outlets, Radio City Music Hall Christmas with the Rockettes, Yankees & Mets ball games & Lake George, to name a few! The bus fills up quickly, so we recommend ordering your tickets early.
For more information about bus trips, contact Courtney Carroll at (845) 481-7337 or email ccarroll@kingston-ny.gov

ADULT NATURE HIKES

MAY - OCTOBER 2018

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The group meets at the Forsyth Nature Center at 9:00 am
Transportation is provided & the program is free!
Contact Courtney Carroll for more information (845) 481-7337 or KC Keegan (845) 481-7336

SENIOR PICNIC

Each June, date TBD the Parks & Recreation Department hosts a Senior Picnic at the scenic Rotary Park pavilion. The picnic is FREE & transportation is provided. This is a wonderful opportunity for seniors to mingle & enjoy a fun-filled day playing games & enjoying a picnic lunch. Contact the Parks & Recreation office for more details (845) 481-7330 or follow us on Facebook at Kingston Parks and Recreation.
Kingston Parks & Recreation offers a variety of educational programs. The programs are led by a staff Environmental Educator and are designed to educate as well as entertain students. **Program fees are waived for Ulster County Schools** thanks to funding provided by the Ulster County Youth Bureau. Registration for the 2018-2019 school year begins in September 2018.

Register Online
Kingstonparksandrec.org

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Contact:
KC Keegan, Environmental Educator at (845) 481-7336 or
Julie Noble, Environmental Educator at (845) 481-7339
for more info!
WINTER BIRD WATCH

Who: Pre-K—4th Grade
What: Winter Bird Watch
When: 10:00 am—12:30 pm
Where: Classroom & Schoolyard

Program Description
- Lesson about attracting birds, bird migration, winter survival and adaptations
- Fill the Bill: Bird diet activity
- Bird Buffet: Construction and placement of simple, household supply birdfeeders
- Lesson about bird identification techniques
- Use of binoculars, field guides and posters (provided) on a guided bird walk around the school grounds

SNOWSHOE JAUNT

Who: Grades 3-12
What: Snowshoe Jaunt
When: Time TBD
Where: Classroom & Schoolyard

Program Description
- History & styles of snowshoeing
- Snowshoeing 101—Instruction
- Winter safety & survival
- Animal tracking
- Guided snowshoe hike
- Tubbs aluminum snowshoes for adults & children
SCHOOL PROGRAMS

MAPLE SUGARING

Who: Grades 3-6
What: Maple Sugaring
When: 9:30 am—12:30 pm
Where: Hasbrouck Park Stone Building

Program Description
- History & legend of maple syrup discovery
- Techniques for tapping, collection, processing & storage
- Samples of sap & syrup from on-site demonstration of sugaring process.
- We will be taste-testing, so please inform us of any allergy concerns.
- Tree tapping

FORSYTH NATURE CENTER

ZOOTOLOGY PROGRAM

Who: Grades 2-12
What: Forsyth Nature Center Zoology Program
When: 10:00am—2:00pm
Where: Forsyth Nature Center

Program Description
- Guided tour of Nature Center
- Up-close animal interaction
  (teachers choose between birds, reptiles and mammals)
- Using skins, skulls and more students will learn the difference between warm blooded and cold blooded animals
- Program can be tailored to specific class lessons
SCHOOL PROGRAMS

HUDSON RIVER ECOLOGY

Program Description

- Historic & current uses of the Hudson River
- Exploration of the intertidal zone through beachcombing
- Exploration of the riverine food web through seine fishing
- Examination of the physical & chemical properties of water
- Use of waders, fishing equipment & binoculars

Who: Grades 3-12  
What: Hudson River Ecology  
When: 9:30am—2:15pm  
Where: Kingston Point Beach

KAYAKING 101

Program Description

- Water recreation safety
- Proper paddling techniques & instruction
- Guided kayak nature tour
- All equipment, including single & tandem recreational kayaks, Coast Guard-approved PFD’s & kayak paddles, are provided

Who: Grades 4-12  
What: Kayaking 101  
When: 9:30am—1:30pm  
Where: Kingston Point Beach
SCHOOL PROGRAMS

INTO THE FOREST

Who: Grades Pre K-5
What: Into the Forest
When: 10:00 am—12:30 pm
Where: Hasbrouck Park

Program Description

- Hiking preparedness discussion
- Guided nature hike on a moderate forest trail
- Examination of forest types, structure & transitions
- Examination of native flora & fauna, growth & decompositions
- Insight into the historic & current land uses of Hasbrouck Park

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF THE HUDSON RIVER

Who: Grades 3 & Up
What: A Day in the Life of the Hudson River
When: 9:30 am—2:00 pm
Where: Kingston Point Beach

Program Description

- Historic & current uses of the Hudson River
- Exploration of the intertidal zone through beachcombing
- Exploration of the riverine food web through seine fishing
- Examination of the physical & chemical properties of water
WHAT’S A WATERSHED?

Who: Grades 3 & Up  
What: What’s a Watershed?  
When: 10:00—11:30 am  
Where: Classroom

Program Description

- Introduction to topographic maps
- Pollution prevention & storm water mitigation
- Watershed awareness & stewardship
- Manipulation of the EnviroScape tabletop watershed model
- Use of mock pollutants & a student-made rainstorm to study the effects of pollution

REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE ... RETHINK!

Who: Grades K-5  
What: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle...Rethink!  
When: 10:00—11:00 am  
Where: Classroom

Program Description

- Ideas for rethinking our choices about recycling & creative ways to reduce & reuse
- Ulster County rules & regulations for recycling
- Hands-on demonstrations of “do’s & don’ts” for proper recycling
- Interactive environmental learning games
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or www.kingston-ny.gov
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