# Kingwood Township New Jersey



# FALL 2023

### TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

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## Annual Kingwood Township Wide Yard Sale

This year's Township wide yard sale is going to be held on Saturday and Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup> and October 8<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

If you would like to be a participant in this year's yard sale, please return the bottom half of this form to the Kingwood Municipal Building by Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup> so your location will be noted on the Township map. Maps will be available any time after October 5th at the following locations: The Corner Store, Baptistown Post Office and the Kingwood Township Municipal Building

Additionally, there will be space available at the Kingwood Park. If you would like to use the Park rather than your home location a \$10.00 donation to the park must be remitted at the time of reservation.

To participate in the Yard Sale return this form no later than Friday, September 29, 2023.

To: Michele Tipton-Walters Yard Sale Kingwood Township Parks & Recreation 599 Oak Grove Road Frenchtown, New Jersey 08825

#### Name

Location of your Yard Sale

**Telephone No.** 

Check No. \_\_\_\_\_ (If renting space at the Park)

If you will be using space at the Park, make your check payable to Kingwood Township for \$10.00. Participants must provide their own tables.

Thank you Kingwood Township Parks and Recreation Committee

For More Information Contact – <u>mwalters@kingwoodtownship.com</u> or call 908-996-4276 ext. 222 Monday – Friday 9:00a.m. – 4:30p.m.

#### <u>REGISTER READY</u>

#### What is the NJ Special Needs Registry?

The NJ Special Needs Registry is designed to help emergency responders locate and safely evacuate people who could find it difficult to help themselves in the event of a major disaster, such as a hurricane.

#### <u>The Registry is:</u>

- \* Free
- \* Voluntary
- \* Strictly confidential
- Protective of your privacy
- \* A way to protect you in a major emergency

#### Who should register?

You (or someone on your behalf) should register if you may find it difficult to get to safety with family or friends, or to a public shelter during an emergency evacuation, because of a physical or cognitive limitation, language barrier, or lack of transportation.

#### Who sees Registry information?

You will only be asked for information necessary to get you to the safest place possible, if you have no other means to evacuate. The NJ Special Needs Registry complies with all laws to protect your privacy and confidential information. Our only goal is to keep you and your loved ones safe.

To register fill out the form below, tear off and mail to: Kingwood Township, 599 Oak Road Frenchtown, NJ 08825. Please use back of form for additional comments.

#### **REGISTER READY**

Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone #:\_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone #:\_\_\_\_\_

Address:

If apartment list specific location within building:\_\_\_\_\_

Please circle any of the below barriers that prevent you from getting to safety in the event of an emergency. Please offer a brief description to help us serve you best during such an event.

Physical Barrier - Cognitive Limitation

Language Barrier - Transportation Restrictions

# **Protect Your Drinking Water**

WELL TEST KITS AVAILABLE

@ Kingwood Twp. Municipal Building, 599 Oak Grove Rd.

### Saturday, November 4th 9am-12pm

• The only way to know your water is safe to drink is to test it. Everyone in Kingwood relies on water from private wells. Residents are advised to test their water annually for bacteria and nitrates. This basic kit will be offered for \$70. Testing will be available for additional contaminants like arsenic (\$35), boron (\$35), gross alpha-uranium and radium screen (\$85), lead (\$30), and more.



TEST

- Testing done by a state-certified lab at below market cost.
- For more information please visit <a href="http://www.TestMyWell.org">www.TestMyWell.org</a> or call 908-234-1852 ext.401

\*residents will then return filled bottles to Kingwood Municipal Building Monday, November 6, 7:00am-9:30am

Raritan Headwaters

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Inspect system every 1 to 3 years.

o 3 years. Avoid excess water use.

Pharmaceuticals are ending up in our waterways, including

drinking water sources. Stop unused drugs from getting into the

Pump the tank every 3 to 5 years. Flush only waste & toilet paper.

Why maintain your septic system? It protects the health of your family, your neighbors & the environment!

Medicine Drop Box Location:

New Jersey State Police-Kingwood Station 945 State Highway 12, Frenchtown (908) 996-2864

• Dispose of unused and expired medications anonymously, 7 days a week, 365 days a year

PROJECT MEDICINE

DROP

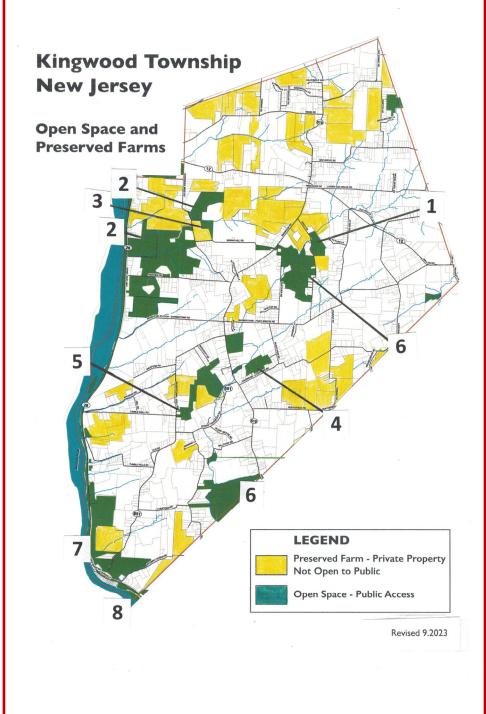
- Drop boxes accept solid pharmaceuticals such as pills, capsules, patches, inhalers, and pet medications. They cannot accept syringes or liquids.
- njconsumeraffairs.gov/meddrop for more info.



PUMP

**DID YOU KNOW...** Kingwood Township has numerous areas of preserved Open Space which have various marked trails for passive recreation?

- Kingwood Park has various ball fields, a playground, pavilion area, bocce court, and a walking trail which goes along the Lockatong Creek. The park and facilities are also available to rent for events; please contact Michele Tipton-Walters, Parks Administrator, at 908-996-4276 ext. 222 for more details.
- 2. Horseshoe Bend Preserve is a large system of various marked trails which goes through woodlands, meadows, bluffs and along streams. The Kingwood Dog Park is also located here. There is ample parking located throughout the park. It is managed by NJDEP as well as Kingwood Township. The park also has a facility available to rent for certain events; please contact Michele Tipton-Walters, Parks Administrator, at 908-996-4276 ext. 222 for more details.
- 3. **Copper Creek Preserve** has various unmarked trails through woodlands and fields including a trail leading to Copper Creek. There is a small parking area located off of Spring Hill Road near a NJCF sign. It is managed by the NJ Conservation Foundation and the Hunterdon Land Trust.
- 4. Muddy Run Preserve has a marked 0.75-mile trail. There is a gravel parking lot. The trail is managed by the Hunterdon Land Trust.
- 5. **Idell Preserve** is a wooded wetland with a short 0.8-mile in and out trail. Parking lot is on Barbertown-Idell Road. It is managed by the Hunterdon Land Trust.
- 6. Lockatong Wildlife Management Area is primarily woodlands and has an unmarked trail. It is managed by NJDEP.
- 7. **Kugler Woods** is a short 0.25-mile trail within a large forested area. The entrance to the trail is on Route 29, however, parking is located near mile marker 28 at the D&R Canal State Park lot. The trail is managed by King-wood Township.
- 8. **Bulls Island Recreation Area** is part of the D&R Canal State Park. It boasts a day use area, boat launch, a playground, and access to 70 miles of multi-use trails.





# CALLING ALL KINGWOOD CITIZENS AGES 60 to 100+

Are you looking for fun, entertainment, games, day trips, interesting topics, socialization, small –group activities, delicious refreshments and much more?

Then the Kingwood Merry Mixers senior citizens group is for you!

It's one of the most active groups in our community and the first senior citizen group in Hunterdon County, established in 1973.

Come and join us for a stimulating and fun-filled afternoon and see what we are all about. You won't be disappointed, plus you may renew old friendships and make new friends, too!

Meetings are at 1 pm the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month (no meetings January and February). We meet at Kingwood United Methodist Church at 257 County Route 519, Stockton.

For more information please call Sharla Millin at 908-391-7833.

### FARMLAND PRESERVATION IN KINGWOOD TOWNSHIP

Farmland preservation programs benefit both landowners and the Township. Landowners sell the <u>development rights</u> to their property to the Township, County or State. That means that the land must remain available for agriculture and cannot be developed by the current owner or any future purchaser. The landowner still owns the land and it remains on the tax rolls. The Township and residents benefit by preserving the rural character of the Township with pleasing vistas, more limited traffic and some protection for water supplies. Longer term, it also helps to keep taxes <u>down</u> as people and the services, roads, and schools they require cost money.



Photo Credit: Joseph Russano

A number of programs are available for landowners at this time. The three basic programs are:

- Municipal Planning Incentive Grant (PIG) program
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- State Direct Easement Purchase Program
- In special cases the State has done fee simple purchases buying a farm outright and then reselling it as a preserved farm.

Farming families use funds to improve or expand their farming operations; some use it to divide an estate when only one or two family members want to farm and others just want money. Preservation allows both to get what they want.

To augment Township funds, grants from other sources are used to complete projects, including federal, state and non-profit land conservancies.

The Township pursues preservation projects as funds are available. A good place to start gathering information is from the local non-profit **Hunterdon Land Trust** (HLT) who also does preservation projects and secures grants to help the Township complete projects. **Jackie Middletown** is available to help Monday-Thursday (908-237-4582, ex. 203).

Hunterdon County CADB farmland preservation contact is Bob Hornby (908-788-1490).

State of New Jersey SADC contact is Stephanie Miller for farmland preservation (609-984-2504).

Kingwood Township Coordinator Liz Schmid (908-996-0859) will gladly discuss the various options with landowners.