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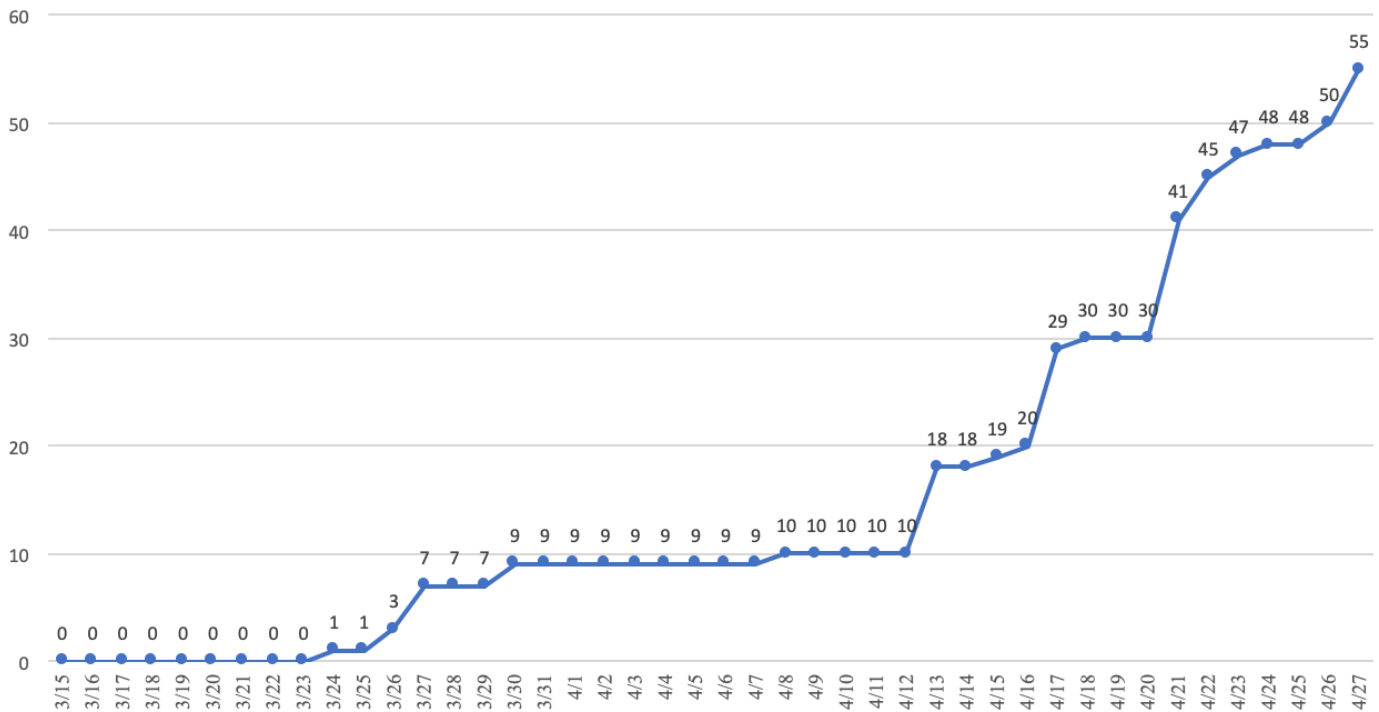
Monday, April 27, 2020

To the Residents of Kingston,

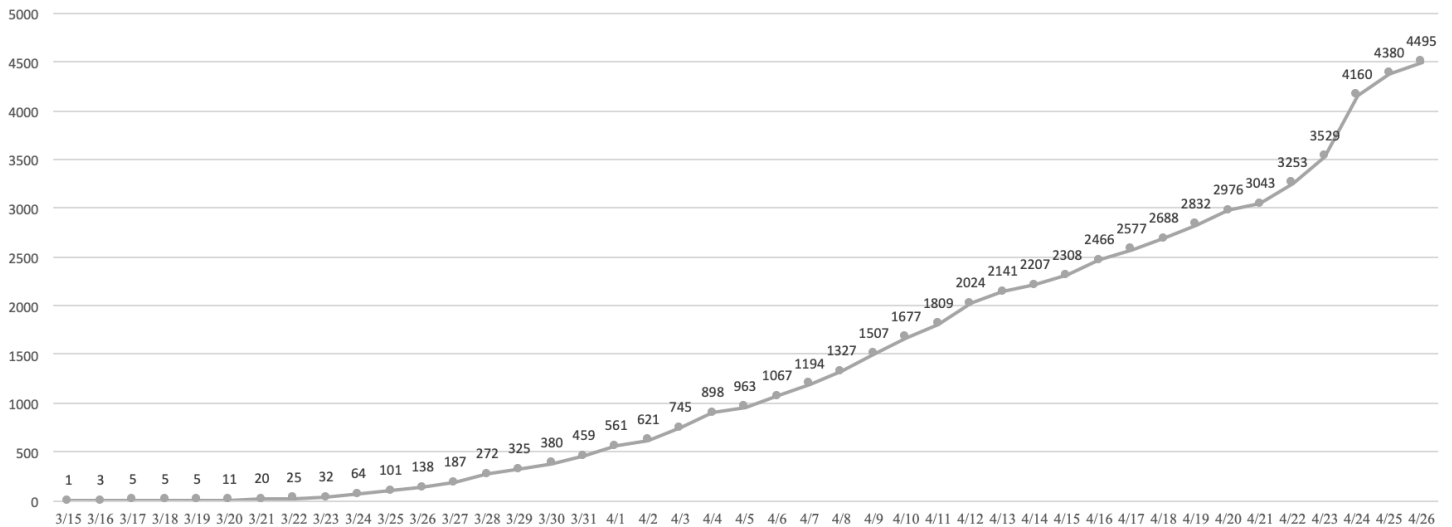
This afternoon the Massachusetts Department of Public Health announced that there were 4,607 confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 in Plymouth County. This represents an increase of 112 from yesterday's count of 4,495. **Earlier today the Town of Kingston was informed of 5 additional confirmed positive cases of COVID-19, bringing the Town's total count to 55.** Of the Town's total number of confirmed positive cases, 29 are from one facility. Our Health Agent and Public Safety Officers will continue to monitor these local cases. Due to privacy requirements, the demographics of these cases will remain anonymous.

These graphs are a visual companion to the numbers that we have been reporting each day.

Kingston Cases



Plymouth County Cases



Kingston’s Emergency Management Team met today to discuss the Town’s ongoing response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Health Agent Arthur Boyle reported that Kingston received its second \$6,000 grant from the Massachusetts Association of Health Boards. This grant will be used to help cover the cost of Kingston’s Visiting Nurses Association (VNA) fees.

Director of Elder Affairs Paula Rossi-Clapp shared that since the Council on Aging closed in early March, her staff have delivered 1,750 meals to Kingston seniors. This is in addition to the 44 bags of non-perishable food items that were delivered earlier today. An additional 71 lunches were prepared at the COA and delivered to Kingston’s first responders and essential Town employees working on-site throughout town.

Effective Friday, April 24, 2020 the Kingston Board of Health is requiring all persons entering essential businesses to wear a face mask or similar covering to lessen the chance of spreading COVID-19. Please see the attached announcement from the Kingston Board of Health regarding yesterday’s vote. The Kingston Police Department and Fire Department ask that residents **do not call 9-1-1** regarding face covering related matters. Anyone with concerns are advised to call the Kingston Board of Health at (781) 585-0503. For more information on how to wear and make masks, please visit www.kingstonmass.org. Please see the attached announcement from the Kingston Board of Health.

Per the Kingston Harbormaster and Shellfish Constable, shellfish beds are scheduled to open on Tuesday, May 5, 2020 in the conditionally approved areas, provided there hasn’t been 0.3” inches of rain or more during the previous 5 days. Due to COVID-19, the Town House is closed to the public, and thus we are unable to sell licenses as we have in previous years. If you are still in possession of last year’s expired license, you may use it until the Town House reopens and you are able to purchase a new license for this year. If you were licensed to shellfish last year, and no longer have your license, your name will be verified against a list of those whose licenses expired on October 31, 2019, and you too will be able to shellfish until the Town House reopens and you are able to purchase a new license for this year. If you wish to purchase a new license, please follow the steps outlined on the attached notice.

Thank you for helping keep Kingston safe and healthy during this public health crisis, and as always, continue to visit www.kingstonmass.org for daily updates from Kingston’s Emergency Management Team, as well as links to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) websites.

We are all in this together.

Joshua A. Warren, Chairman
Board of Selectmen



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REQUIRED USE OF FACE COVERINGS IN ESSENTIAL BUSINESSES

The Kingston Board of Health strongly encourages residents to stay at home to avoid the potential spread of COVID-19. This is part of the Town of Kingston's overall strategy to keep residents and essential workers safe and healthy.

EFFECTIVE FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 2020 THE KINGSTON BOARD OF HEALTH IS REQUIRING ALL PERSONS ENTERING ESSENTIAL BUSINESSES TO WEAR A FACE MASK OR SIMILAR COVERING TO LESSEN THE CHANCE OF SPREADING COVID-19.

The Kingston Police Department and Fire Departments ask residents **not to call 911** about face covering related matters. Anyone with concerns should call the Kingston Board of Health at (781) 585-0503.

For more information on how to wear and make masks, and other COVID-19 related issues, please visit www.kingstonmass.org.

Thank you for helping to keep Kingston safe and healthy during this Public Health Emergency.

****This order is effective as of 4/24/20**



Shellfish Licenses Process

Per the Harbormaster/Shellfish Constable, Dennis Carvalho, shellfish beds will open Tuesday May 5th, **IF** there hasn't been any rain in the previous 5 days of .3" (3/10ths) or more in the conditionally approved areas. To see if the beds are open on a given day, you must call the recorded message at (781) 585-0519. Parking is at your own risk in the areas open for shell fishing.

- If you still have possession of last year's Shellfish license, you may use the expired license until Town Hall is open and you are able to purchase a new license for this year.
- If you did have a Shellfish license last year and do not have it now, your name will be verified against a list of those whose licenses expired on October 31, 2019. You may shellfish until Town Hall is open and you are able to purchase a new license for this year.
- If you wish to purchase a new Shellfish license, you have two options to obtain a license:

1. Mail the following information:

- ✓ copy of your Driver's License
- ✓ phone number in case we need to contact you
- ✓ self-addressed stamped envelope
- ✓ check, payable to the "Town of Kingston" with the amount determined by your category below
 - Residents 62 - 69 years \$15.00
 - Residents under 62 years \$40.00
 - Non-Resident Veterans amount is determined by your age
 - Non-Residents \$100.00 which includes a parking permit conditional for Grays Beach
 - Short Term Lessor \$300.00 per property

If you are eligible for a free license,

- ✓ copy of your Driver's License
- ✓ self-addressed stamped envelope (required to receive a License)
 - Residents 70 years or older
 - Massachusetts Resident Veterans 70 years or older (proof required if it is not indicated on your Driver's License)

to:

Kingston Town House
Shellfish License
26 Evergreen St
Kingston MA 02364

- A new Shellfish license will be mailed back using the self-addressed stamped envelope you provide.

2. Drop off the following information at the Town House, in the "drop box" to the right of the front doors:

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We are unable to send the clip in the mail with the new license.
Please stop by and pick one up when the Town House reopens.