

# The News of MENANDS ACTIVITIES

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## VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

The next Village Board Meeting will be held on **Monday, October 3, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.** All meetings are held at 250 Broadway in Menands and are open to the public and are handicap accessible.

## VILLAGE OFFICES

The Village Office, Village Court and D.P.W. will be closed on **Monday, October 10**, due to the Columbus Day Holiday.

## HOLIDAY TRASH SCHEDULE

Monday's trash pick up will be **Tuesday, October 11** and Tuesday's pick up will be on **Wednesday, October 12**. Recycling days will remain the same. There will be **NO SPECIAL PICK UP ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12**.

## EMERGENCY ALERT PROGRAM

Please be advised that we are asking our residents to sign up for the "Everbridge Emergency Alert System". Get alerted about emergencies and other important community news that will help us to quickly provide you with critical information such as severe weather, water main breaks, unexpected road closures, Menands School closures and Senior events, and much more. You will receive time-sensitive messages wherever you specify, such as your home, mobile or business phones, email address, text messages and more. You pick where and how you want the message sent to you. This can be easily found on the [villageofmenands.com](http://villageofmenands.com) website. "Everbridge" is on the left hand side of the home page. Just click, set up your account, and fill in the required contact information. If you do not have a computer, call the Village Office at 434-2922 and they will be able to set you up for notification on your regular phone or cell phone number.

## MENANDS FIRE CO. #1, INC.

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Company #1 will be held on **October 4, 2016, at 8:00 PM** at the Firehouse. All members are encouraged to attend.

## MENANDS FIRE CO. #1, OPEN HOUSE

During Fire Prevention Week the Menands Fire Co. will hold an Open House on **Tuesday, October 11 beginning at 6:00 p.m.** There will be tours of the firehouse. Come and inspect the new fire truck #6 and find out more about our organization and about becoming a fire fighter. We are located at 250 Broadway, Menands, N.Y.

## MENANDS FIRE CO. #1, INC. AUXILIARY

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Co. #1 Auxiliary will be at 6:30 PM on **October 12, 2016** at the Village Hall located at 250 Broadway, Menands.

## FUNTASTIC FALL FESTIVAL

The 4<sup>th</sup> Funtastic Fall Festival to benefit Derek Murphy will be **Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>** from noon – 5 p.m. in Ganser Smith Park. There will be fun for all. Games, raffles, food, cow plop contest and much more. Music will be provided by Mike DeAngelis and also Rick Rourke and The Lost Wages. Call Lynda Long at 466-1625 or Denise Stangle at 465-8841 for information. Or like us on Facebook for updated information.

## MENANDS SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Menands School Board of Education will meet on **Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.**

## VAN RENSSELAER BOULEVARD PAVING

An Open House informational Meeting will be held by NYSDOT at Menands School on **October 13, 2016 from 5 to 7 p.m.** to provide information and solicit questions on the proposed paving project along Van Rensselaer Boulevard scheduled for next year. This meeting is open to the public.

## BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Menands School is collecting box tops! Look for the "Box Tops" logo and clip it! Please make sure the expiration date is intact. Box Tops can be dropped off at Menands School in the lobby. There is a collection bin labeled "Box Tops". They can also be mailed to Menands School c/o Jennifer Cannavo, 19 Wards Lane Menands, New York 12204.

Thank you for your support!

## MENANDS SENIOR CITIZEN CLUB

### **Trips:**

**On October 4, 2016,** we will leave at 7:00 a.m. for the Salem Witch Museum in Salem, MA. The museum presentation will take 75 minutes. We will stop for lunch at Finz Seafood Restaurant. After lunch we will take a scenic bus ride along the seashore via Gloucester and Rockport, MA. Cost \$40/\$50. **On November 9, 2016** we will return to the Westchester Broadway Dinner Theatre to see "Saturday Night Fever" featuring vibrant choreography and everlasting hits of the Bee Gee's. Cost of Trip \$57/\$67.

Please reserve for our trips as early as possible to ensure seating. Money is not needed until 30 days before the actual trip date. But, of course, if you need to cancel, let us know immediately.

## HISTORIC ST. AGNES CEMETERY

### **Friday Paint Club Fall 2016**

Friday Paint Club will meet from 10 AM – Noon in The Living Room Art Gallery on the dates listed below. Class size is limited and themes vary. Price per class is \$20 for 8 x 10 canvas and \$25 for 11 x 14 canvas. Paints, brushes and two hours of professional instruction are included. Friday Paint Club is perfect for aspiring artists looking for structured classes with emphasis on color values, perspective, line and composition techniques using acrylic paints on stretched canvas. It is also perfect for beginners because classes are small, relaxed and fun! Coffee, juices and bakery goods from the famed Schuyler Bakery, Watervliet are provided. No prior experience is necessary. Painting is very therapeutic! Each class features a different subject, theme or style of a famous artist. Paint club participants put their own spin and apply their own style to whatever it is the instructor presents. You have full creative control over your own canvas. Call Kelly at 463-0134 or email [KellyAnn.Grimaldi@rcda.org](mailto:KellyAnn.Grimaldi@rcda.org) to register.

**Oct. 7 - Flowers in a Tree Trunk**

**Oct. 21 - Angel in the Fog**

**Oct. 28 - Beautiful Gate**

**Nov. 4 - Colorful Clouds**

**Nov. 18 - Night Sky**

**Dec. 9 - Karner Blue Butterfly**

**Dec. 16 - Red Wing Blackbird in the Reeds**

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## HISTORIC ST. AGNES CEMETERY (continued)

**We also have:**

### **A History of American Cemeteries**

If you have ever walked through a cemetery just for the sheer enjoyment of art and nature; if you think graveyards are something for the living to enjoy, then this course is for you. Art, often of museum quality, is found in many cemeteries. The wonderful visual pleasures left by people from the Victorian era to present as they have decorated for the dead are subjects of this class. We will also cover the cultural, social and practical influences that inform what you see in a cemetery. The course is meant to educate but not without a really fun and interesting element! Our instructor, Frank Calidonna is also an accomplished photographer of cemetery art. His work will be on exhibit in The Living Room Art Gallery where the lectures will be held. This five part series includes guided tour of St. Agnes Cemetery with focus on artistic conventions in funerary art over the past 150 year.

**10:30 - Noon on Tuesday, Oct. 4, 11 (tour) & 18 (rain date for tour is Oct. 18)** Price of \$55 includes coffee, tea, fresh bakery goods. Call Kelly at 463-0134 or to register, email [KellyAnn.Grimaldi@rcdea.org](mailto:KellyAnn.Grimaldi@rcdea.org)

## PRESIDENTIAL WREATH LAYING CEREMONY

**On Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 11:00 am.** Military representatives and color guard from the Division of Military and Naval Affairs of Latham, New York will conduct a service at the gravesite of President Chester A. Arthur, at the Albany Rural Cemetery, Menands, New York. This ceremony will honor Chester A. Arthur the 21<sup>st</sup> President of the United States on the anniversary of his birth. A wreath will be presented at the gravesite by Brigadier General Thomas Owens of the New York Air National Guard. Signs directing people will be at both entrance gates to the Cemetery. For more information please contact John W. Buszta at 463-7017.

## MENANDS YOUTH BASKETBALL REGISTRATION

It's that time of year again to prepare for another exciting season of Menands Youth Basketball. Signups will be **Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.** at the Menands School. We have teams for boys and girls in grades 3 thru 8. You will be contacted when weeknight practices begin sometime in mid-October.

Registration costs \$25 per player with a maximum of \$40 if you have 2 or more players registering. For new players and players who need a replacement Uniform, I am still working on the Uniform costs. Currently it looks like it will be \$35 for a reversible jersey and \$15 for shorts (\$50 for the full uniform). All new players are welcome. Please consider having your child join our program and enjoy the competition, teamwork and skill building.

If you have any questions, contact Ron Mattice at e-mail: [morigan@nycap.rr.com](mailto:morigan@nycap.rr.com)

## JOSEPHINE WELLS HONORED AT ANNUAL FOUNDERS' DINNER

Every Fall, Colonie Senior Service Centers honors individuals and businesses at the Annual Founders' Awards Dinner for their vision and leadership in senior programming. This year on **Monday, October 17**, as our organization celebrates 35 years of senior services in Colonie and throughout the Greater Capital Region, we will also honor Menands Senior Club's very own Josephine Wells as she receives this year's Marion T. Lamar Health and Wellness Award for her many years of leading seniors to make healthy choices! For the past 15 years, Jo led many classes and continues to do so to this day. We thank you for all of your commitment and dedication to helping seniors in our community live a full and active life. Congratulations to you, Jo, from all of us at Colonie Senior Services Centers!

**Story Time** - Story Time is held at 1:30 p.m. every Thursday afternoon (before the Library opens) and at 1:00 p.m. every other Saturday.

The Menands Public Library will be hosting a community-organized book club on **Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.** Attendees should read *The Midwife of Hope River* by Patricia Harman so that they can discuss the book with others at the event. Several copies are on hold at the library for people who are interested.

**Book Sale** at the Menands Public Library! Fill a bag with books and pay \$5.00. **Saturday, October 15 and Saturday, October 29 from 10 – 12 noon.** Have a free cup of coffee and a doughnut while you look over book titles. Proceeds from the sale will help fund library construction projects.

**Our Homework Help** group meets on Thursdays at 4:00 p.m. **On every Wednesday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.** is Tech Advice Night at the library with our resident digital native, Ted. Can't figure out how to set up your new phone? Want to know what's using up your data plan? Don't know how to get your pictures onto your computer? Appointments not necessary, but recommended – just call the library to make one.

**On Saturday, October 29 from 11a.m. to 1 p.m.,** we will be hosting a "How to Make Rangoli" program and a Halloween costume contest. Rangoli are special designs made with powder that people traditionally make for the Hindu holiday Diwali. Diwali takes place in the autumn and this year it falls on the 30<sup>th</sup> of October, almost the same day as Halloween. Come in costume (if you want) and learn to make Rangoli! There will be prizes for the best costume at the end of the day.

Menands Public Library's Fall Film Festival Presents  
**Happy 100<sup>th</sup>! Olivia De Havilland!**

**On July 1 Ms de Havilland turned 100 years old and She is alive and well and living in Paris!**

**October 4 - Hold Back The Dawn - 1941**

Directed by Mitchell Leisen

During World War 2, Romanian gigolo, Georges, (Charles Boyer) is stuck in Mexico trying to get into America. A former associate, Anita, (Paulette Goddard) suggest he marry an American like she did. Georges sets his sights on naïve American school teacher – Emmy (Ms de Havilland). An Oscar nomination for Ms de Havilland.

**October 11 - The Male Animal - 1942**

Directed by Elliott Nugent

Professor Turner (Henry Fonda) finds himself embroiled in a free speech debate at a football crazy college. To make matters worse his wife Ellen's (Ms de Havilland) ex football hero boyfriend (Jack Carson) is back in town trying to rekindle their romance.

Based on a play by James Thurber and Elliott Nugent

The Menands Public Library is located at 4 N. Lyons Avenue, Menands, New York. For more info. call 518-463-4035.

## ATTENTION MENANDS CLASS OF 2016

Menands School Class of 2016 graduation pictures are available for pick up in the lobby of the school Monday through Friday from 8 – 4 p.m.

Items to be included in the next edition of the Menands Activities dated October 14, 2016 <b>WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE AFTER 9 A.M. Tuesday, October 11, 2016. Please indicate item is for the Menands Activities.</b>
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