

The News of MENANDS ACTIVITIES

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VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

The next Village Board Meeting will be held on **Monday, March 6, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.** All meetings are held at 250 Broadway in Menands and are open to the public and handicap accessible.

IMPORTANT NOTICE – POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief O'Brien warns residents that previously reported telephone scams are being attempted again. Some Village residents were potential victims to the "grandparent" scam whereby an unknown caller, sometimes claiming to be a police officer, says their grandchild is in trouble and needs money. It may be for bail or they have been injured in an accident. Under no circumstances reveal any personal information over the phone or arrange any payment of money to these callers. Any legitimate caller could be easily verified if in fact there was a real situation which would require assistance for a family member. If anyone should be subject of such a call and you feel you need assistance or have any doubt about the authenticity contact the police department at 463-1681. Another scam involves answering the phone and a recording asks if you can hear the person speaking "OK". If you answer "YES" unscrupulous persons on the other end will try to contact you in the future and have you pay for goods or services which you did not order or contract for. They then will refer to your recorded voice and say you did in fact authorize the transaction. Report any suspicious calls such as these to the Police Department for further investigation.

MENANDS FIRE DEPT. MONTHLY REPORT

In the month of **January 2017** the Menands Fire Department responded to **32** calls for assistance, including: **2** Structure Fires, **10** Emergency Medical Service Calls, **9** Fire Alarms, **2** Carbon Monoxide Calls, **5** Motor Vehicle Accidents, **1** Vehicle Fire, **1** Hazardous Condition Call and **2** Mutual Aid Calls.

MENANDS FIRE CO. #1, INC.

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Company #1 will be held on **March 7, 2017, at 8:00 PM** at the Firehouse. All members are encouraged to attend.

SAVE THE DATES

The Menands Fire Co. #1 will be holding Fish Fry Dinners at the Firehouse on **March 3, 17 and 31 and April 14. 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.** The dinner consists of Fish Fry, Fries, Cole Slaw and Dessert \$9.00. Kids Meal - Cheese Pizza - \$2.00 a slice.

MENANDS FIRE CO. #1, INC

Be a Hydrant Hero!

Help us Help you and adopt a hydrant! If you see a hydrant covered in snow, and you are able to clear it out, it would be much appreciated! Your 10 minutes today will save us precious minutes during an emergency!

MENANDS SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Menands School Board of Education will meet on **Monday, March 13, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.**

MENANDS FIRE CO. #1, INC. AUXILIARY

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Co. #1 Auxiliary will be at 6:30 PM on **March 8, 2017** at the Village Hall. Following the meeting we will be making Irish Soda Bread.

MENANDS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Story Time - Story Time is held at 10:30 a.m. every Thursday

Our Homework Help group meets on Thurs. 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.

Spring Film Festival Presents Tom Hanks

All movies start at 1 p.m.

March 7th - A League of their own - 1992

Directed by Penny Marshall

"Are you crying!?! There's no crying in baseball!!"

Washed up baseball player Jimmy Dugan (Mr. Hanks) finds himself, much to his dismay, a manager of an all women's baseball team during World War 2.

With Geena Davis, Rosie O'Donnell and Madonna.

March 14th - Sleepless in Seattle - 1993

Directed by Nora Ephron

In an effort to forget the death of his wife, Sam Baldwin (Mr. Hanks) and his son, Jonah, move to Seattle. Jonah plots to find his father a wife so he can be happy.

With Meg Ryan and Rosie O'Donnell

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

MENANDS ST. PATRICK'S CLUB

The Menands St. Patrick's Club was started in 1964 and this year marks the 53rd anniversary of the club. We are looking for new club members to keep the tradition of the club alive. Come to one of our meetings and see what it's all about.

The next meeting of the Menands St. Patrick's Club will be held on **Sunday, March 5, 2017 at 12 noon** at the Menands Village Hall, 250 Broadway, Menands.

CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE DINNER

The Menands St. Patrick's Club Dinner-Dance will be held on **Saturday, March 11th** at the Menands Village Hall. The dinner will be served from **4:30 to 7:30 p.m.** Entertainment will be from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. Adults \$15, Seniors \$11 and Children (12 years and under) \$7. Take out is also available. Any questions contact Kerry Wroblewski at 436-8839.

POM POMS

Any Menands girls (grade 5 & up) who wishes to participate as a Pom Pom girl in the Albany St. Patrick's Parade on March 11th are asked to call Colleen Salisbury @ 518-542-8823 or email larrycoll@aol.com. or show up for one of the practices, **March 5, at 11:15 am and March 10 at 6:15 pm** Any grade 3 and 4 girls interested, a parent or guardian must accompany them in the parade.

COME MARCH WITH MENANDS

If you would like to march with the Menands Division in the

Albany St. Patrick's Parade meet at the Menands firehouse at **12:30 p.m. on March 11, 2017**. Any high school student who wishes to march must have the permission slip below signed by their parents. Younger children may march if accompanied by a parent/guardian.

Name _____
 Age/Grade _____
 Address _____
 Phone # _____
 Parent Signature _____

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MENANDS JUNIOR BASEBALL/SOFTBALL



Menands Junior Baseball/Softball Needs Help!

Join our team! Whether you have only a little time or a lot to give, there is an opportunity for YOU! Help give our local kids the BEST baseball and softball experience! Our league is volunteer driven and cannot survive without dedicated volunteers!! From the Board of Directors to Team Parents, it's generous people like YOU who make our organization a positive youth baseball/softball experience. Find a role that resonates with you and get involved. Together, everyone achieves more! Team Manager/Head Coach, Assistant Coach Team Parent, Team Scorekeeper, Field Maintenance, Board Member, Committee Member. See below for details and contact Jim @ (518) 275-2677 or Steve @ (518)423-1686.

Committee Member - Do you only have time for a single task? Can you make a few phone calls on behalf of our league? Our new Committee Member role offers a wide range of volunteer opportunities. You could help the League Secretary with any of these duties.....setting up Team Picture day, organizing our end of year League Picnic, league uniform distribution, promoting and/or helping during fundraising events and more!

Team Manager/Head Coach - duties can include: running games and practices for one season in a positive, constructive way and within the Little League rules, including providing fair play time for all of your players, attending the game scheduling meeting to help schedule games with other participating leagues, rescheduling any rainouts, etc. for said games to the best of your ability, communicating/distributing team and league information in a timely manner, attending Board meetings (mostly monthly).

Assistant Coach - duties can include: assisting the Team Manager with running games and practices for one season in a positive, constructive way and within the Little League rules, including providing fair play time for all of your players, with rescheduling any rainouts, etc. for said games to the best of your ability, with communicating/distributing team and league information in a timely manner, attending Board meetings (mostly monthly).

Team Parent - duties can include: assisting the Team Manager with: communication of team and league information in a timely manner, distribution of team uniforms at beginning of spring season.

Team Scorekeeper - duties can include: assisting the Team Manager with keeping the team's statistics using the baseball scorebook provided, keeping the pitch count for each pitcher including the opposing team's, during each game, conversing with the opposing team's scorekeeper to confirm stats.

Field Maintenance - duties can include: assisting the Field Coordinator Board member by dragging the fields when necessary to prepare for home games and practices, lining fields in preparation for games, mowing grass as needed.

Board Member - duties vary on the position. Some of our Board Members plan to step down. If you are interested in a certain position and would like to shadow a Board Member as

they go about their duties this year, please contact us.

*Note: For the safety of the children, every volunteer will be subject to a background check. This is a Little League mandate.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Save The Date **4/4/17 @ 6:00pm**. If you are a resident of the Menands Union Free School District and have a child who will be 5 years old on or before December 1, 2017, please call Menands School at 465-4561 to register for the upcoming school year. There will be a Kindergarten Parent Information Night for parents only held at Menands School on **Tuesday April 4, 2017 at 6:00 pm** in the school library. If you know of a neighbor who has an age-eligible Kindergarten student, please pass the word!

MENANDS YOUTH COMMITTEE
OPEN GYM SCHEDULE

High School Age and Up: Thursday night 8:00 – 10:00 p.m.
March 9

In the event that school is closed due to inclement weather (snow day) on a Thursday. there will be no open gym that evening.

Elementary and Middle School: Grades 4 through 8
 Saturday mornings 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

March 4 and March 11

Contact information: Lorenz Herrmann, supervisor
 Phone (518) 505-7998 Email: lherrmal@nycap.rr.com

HISTORIC ST. AGNES CEMETERY

Historic St. Agnes Cemetery, Menands is offering a DVD for sale called Graveside Chats. Supplies are limited so if you love history and old cemeteries stop by and see historian Kelly Grimaldi at St. Agnes Cemetery, 48 Cemetery Avenue, Menands for your copy. Price \$20.

Painting the Winter Blues Away
 at Historic St. Agnes Cemetery

We are now accepting reservations for our winter painting classes held in The Living Room Art Gallery located in St. Agnes Cemetery's Visitors Center. All classes start at 10 AM and end at noon. Pre-registration is required. Call Kelly Grimaldi at 463-0134 ext 110 or email KellyAnn.Grimaldi@rcda.org.

- March 10 - 10 AM – Noon: Daffodils Defying Winter**
- March 24 - 10 AM – Noon: Pair of Sheep in a Clover Field**
- March 31 - 10 AM – Noon: Tulips in a Bunch**

MENANDS UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BUDGET CALENDAR
2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

March 13, 2017	Overall Review of Spending Plan
April 3, 2017	Prepare Legal Notice of School Budget Hearing and Budget Vote (First of 4 Notices)
April 2017	Prepare Absentee Ballot Applications and related material
April 10, 2017	Final Budget Presentation and Adopt Budget
April 24, 2017	Submit Property Tax Report Card to SED
May 2017	Budget Documents to Public
May 8, 2017	Budget Hearing and Budget Notice Mailed
May 16, 2017	Budget Vote

Highlighted date may require additional scheduled Budget Workshop Meetings if necessary. Any dates and content

are subject to change based on info. available.

**MENANDS SCHOOL PTA MULTI-CULTURAL
CELEBRATION**

Grab your passport and get ready to take a tour around the world and taste the delicious flavors of our diverse community! The event will be held on **March 23, 2017** at **6:00 p.m.** in the school gym. Live performances, free food and refreshments available. Admission is free and open to the public but donations are always graciously accepted so the PTA can continue to provide important curriculum based programs and social events for the school. Any dollar amount is always appreciated. Please check out our new website: www.menandsschoolpta.com and be sure to follow us on Facebook. Menands School PTA thanks our school and community for your continued support and generosity!

Items to be included in the next edition of the Menands Activities dated March 17, 2017 **WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE AFTER 9 A.M. Monday, March 13, 2017. Please indicate item is for the Menands Activities.**