

The News of **MENANDS ACTIVITIES** Published by the Village of Menands



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VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

The next Village Board Meeting will be held on Monday, December 3, 2018 at 6:00 P.M. All meetings are held at 250 Broadway in Menands and are open to the public and are handicap accessible.

ALERT SYSTEM

If you would like to receive alerts from the Village of Menands, please sign up on the Village Website. If you do not have access to a computer and want to receive alerts, please contact Don Handerhan, Village Clerk at 518-434-2922 and he will assist you.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

If you have a contractor for lawn care and leaves, they are responsible for taking away the debris.

VILLAGE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS & SNOW REMOVAL

To provide you with the best service possible, the Department of Public Works (DPW) would like to remind everyone that your cooperation is needed during the winter months for proper plowing, salting and snow removal. If you have a driveway or an off street parking space, please use it during the winter months and especially during a snow or ice storm as vehicles parked on the street hinder plowing operations. Please do not put snow in the streets once the plows have gone through. Additionally, anything that you might have in the Village's right-of-way, such as a basketball hoop, should be moved and stored for the winter. The Village will not be responsible for damage to any items left in the Village's right-of-way. In the event that a snow emergency is declared, details will be provided to local news stations, on the Village website and through our emergency alert system.

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!



YOUTH HOLIDAY GATHERING

Save the date for Monday, November 26! This year we want to have the youth holiday party when the Canadian Pacific holiday train goes by, and this year it passes Menands on the 26th! Please arrive at the park, near the concession stand to wait for the train, which should arrive around 5:00 p.m. or a little after. After the train, we will head to the gazebo for refreshments, caroling, and tree lighting. Mark your

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calendars! The train is something not to miss! If you have any

questions, please call Brianna Coughlin 518-469-7726!

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Co. #1, Inc. will be Tuesday, December 4 at 8:00 p.m. at the Firehouse. All members are encouraged to attend.

The Menands Fire Co, Inc. will hold the annual Christmas Party on December 15 at 6:00 p.m. at the Village Hall. All members of the Fire Company and Auxiliary are invited. A sign-up sheet is in the lounge. More information to follow.

MENANDS FIRE CO. #1, INC. AUXILIARY

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Co. #1, Inc. Auxiliary will be at 6:30 P.M. on December 12, 2018 at the Village Hall located at 250 Broadway, Menands. Following the meeting we will have our annual cookie exchange and gift exchange. Please bring 3 dozen cookies and one \$10.00 wrapped gift.

PAY-IT-FORWARD...TOGETHER

We are collecting gift cards or cash donations for the 10 families who were displaced from their apartments located on Wolfert Ave due to a fire last week. Please contact us at payitforwardtogether1@gmail.com or call Carol Darmetko at 518 396-7580 or Jean Parker at 518 527-9928 if you can help.

MENANDS SKI CLUB

Now enrolling the 2018-2019 Menands Ski Club. This is a 7 week ski program which takes place at Jiminy Peak on Wednesday nights starting January 9th 2019. Yankee trail bussing is available for those who chose to ride the bus. The bus leaves Menands School around 3:30 on Wednesdays and returns around 8:30. This program is open to all Village Residents. Lessons are available as well. Pricing

ranges from \$173- \$205. Rental packages available as well. Please reach out to Karyn Long Steurer for additional questions and to register 518-496-2411 or klong@cbpp.com

VENDOR/CRAFT FAIR

The Menands Fire Co. #1, Inc. Auxiliary is holding a Craft Fair on December 8, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Menands School Gym on Wards Lane in Menands. If you would like to reserve a table to sell items please email menandsauxiliary@gmail.com for more details. Variety of vendors, food, bucket auctions and Raffles. Come bring your family and friends. Something for everyone.

MENANDS SCHOOL PATH CLOSED **UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

Due to the Building Project and construction occurring at Menands School, the school path that runs from the village to the school will be closed until further notice. For safety purposes pedestrian traffic will not be allowed. Your understanding and cooperation is appreciated.

MENANDS SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION

The next meeting of the Menands School Board of Education will be held on **Monday**, **December 10**, **2018 at 6:30 p.m.**

THEY HAVE ARRIVED

The world famous 2019 Menands Public Library Pocket Calendar has arrived! Supplies are limited so, please, one calendar per library card holder.

More on the other side.....

IMPORTANT ANNOUCEMENT MENANDS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Ted Riese, our terrific children's librarian, will be leaving the library as of December 1st. He has taken an excellent new position elsewhere and we all wish him well and good luck. This means in the short term, there will be some disruption of youth services. As of December 1st there will be no Saturday children's story hour, Tuesday Game Night and

Thursday LEGO Party until further notice.

Homework help will be limited to Thursday evenings and for us grown-ups, no more computer and handheld device help. All hiring for the Library is under the jurisdiction of Albany County Civil Service. We will be operating through that agency to fill Ted's former position as soon as possible.

We will miss Ted for his good humor, industriousness, expertise and enthusiasm for the village.

We all wish him very good luck in the future.

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

MENANDS SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB NEWS

2018 CHRISTMAS PARTY = Our Christmas Party is planned for **December 1, 2018 from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.** It will be held at the Menands Fire Hall, 250 Broadway, Menands. A meal will be prepared and served by the Menands Fire Company. Santa will pay us a visit, there will be a \$10 Grab bag, a share the wealth drawing and a dance contest. Monetary donations will be accepted for a local food pantry. Paul Slusar will be the entertainment. Cost of dinner is \$16. Come in and sign up for any of our trips at our Thursday gatherings. New members are always welcome. Only requirement, you must be 55 years young to apply. Dues still only \$5. Contact info. call Diane Leonard at 518-465-3771.

The next meeting of the Menands Senior Citizen Club will be **December 27, 2018 at 10:30 A. M.** We will have a speaker, Jess Flynn, who is the community laison for the Eddie in regards to Adult Day Care Services.

ONE DAY TRIPS

March 6, 2019, Wednesday, "Menopause, The Musical," at the Westchester Broadway Theatre, Elmsford, NY. Four women shop for lingerie at a Bloomingdale's sale and sing 25 songs about chocolate cravings, hot flashes, loss of memory, nocturnal sweats and other predicaments. The lyrics parody popular music from the baby boomer era and includes the numbers "Stayin' Awake" and "Puff, My God I'm Draggin'." Trip includes dinner. Cost \$59/\$69

April 24, 2019, Wednesday, "Newsies," Westchester Broadway Theater, Elmsford, NY. The play was inspired by the real-life Newsboys Strike of 1899 in New York City. Trip includes dinner. Cost \$59/\$69.

SAVE THE DATE!!

The Menands Father Daughter Dance will be held on **Saturday, February 2, 2019** from **6-9pm** at Bethany Presbyterian Church. We look forward to seeing all fathers, father figures and their daughters having a blast this year again! If you have questions, you can reach the dance coordinators, Jennie Pearsall at pearsalljennie@gmail.com or Kelley Lemyre at kelleylemyre11@gmail.com

This event is not affiliated or funded by the Menands School PTA

CALL FOR ARTISTS

The Living Room Art Gallery located in the Visitors Center of Historic St. Agnes Cemetery is calling for local artists to exhibit in 2019. Since 2013, the gallery has been promoting the talent and creativity of artists from our community. We believe art is an important part of life! If you would like to arrange for an exhibit of your original art or art you have collected over the years, call Kelly Grimaldi at 518-350-7679 or email Kelly@adcemeteries.org for more information.

THIS IS NOT A SUBSIDIZED TRIP

December 4-5, 2018, "JESUS" at the Sight and Sound Theater, Ronks, PA. Based on the gospel of Luke, the life of Jesus from the miraculous virgin birth to the calling of the disciples, public miracles and ministry, ending with his death by crucifixion at the hands of the Roman Empire and resurrection on the third day. This is an overnight trip, all are welcome. See the Senior Scoop for highlights of the trip. Contact info. Call Diane Leonard at 518-465-3771.

Items to be included in the next edition of the Menands Activities dated December 7, 2018 WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE AFTER 9 A.M. Monday, December 3, 2018. Please indicate item is for the Menands Activities.