

# 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**, **November 19, 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.

## **ZBA PUBLIC HEARING**

A public hearing will be held on **Tuesday**, **November 20<sup>th</sup>**, **2018 at 6:00 P.M.** in the Village Municipal Building at 250 Broadway for the purpose of considering the following applications for an area variance:

Kirk and Theresa Montanye are applying for an Area Variance at 8 North Lyons Avenue for relief from current set back regulations to install a shed.

Uri Kaufman, Al Self Storage LLC is applying for a Use Variance at 30 Broadway to construct a 4500 sq. ft. self-storage building.

Capital City Produce is applying for a Use Variance at 381 Broadway to install an above ground fueling tank.

Such public hearings are open to the public and are accessible to the handicapped. All are encouraged to attend or to present comments in writing.

John Bassett, Chairman

#### VETERAN'S DAY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The Village Offices, Court and DPW will be closed on **Monday, November 12** in observance of

Veteran's Day. Monday's trash pick-up will be on Tuesday and Tuesday's pick-up will be on Wednesday. There is no **Special** pick-up this week. Recycling day is the same.

## THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The Village Offices and Court will be closed on Thursday, November 22 and November 23 due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. DPW will be closed on November 22 only and they will be open on November 23 for recycling.

## 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.

#### LEAF MACHINE

Now and until weather permitting, the DPW will pick up leaves that are raked on the edge of the road/street (**DPW cannot pickup leaves that are not on the street**). Mulched leaves and grass should be bagged. Branches, limbs, etc should be cut in 3 ft. lengths. We do **not** accept any dirt in the biodegradable bags. **Please remember that it takes DPW approximately two weeks** to go thru the Village depending on the amount of leaves at the side of the road. **When placing your leaves out front, do not block or place your leaves in the Storm Drain.** 

#### THANK YOU

**9, 2018** Email address:activities@villageofmenands.com We would like to thank everyone who came out for the Youth Halloween Party. Special thanks to the Menands Police Department, Menands Fire Company, Michelle Esposito, and Menands DPW for making the party a success! Until Next year- Brianna Coughlin! :)

## **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 calendars! The train is something not to miss! If you have any questions, please call Brianna Coughlin 518-469-7726!

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

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.

#### 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 November 14, 2018** at the Village Hall located at 250 Broadway, Menands. The activity planned for after the meeting is a PJ party. Bring your PJ's in a bag.

#### **THANKSGIVING PIES**

For Thanksgiving, the Menands St. Patrick's Club is offering 7 different kinds of pies baked by Bella Napoli for only \$9 each. Choices are: Apple, Pumpkin, Blueberry, Raspberry, Lemon, Pineapple and Cherry. Orders need to be placed by November 13<sup>th</sup>. Please send your order and payment to the Menands St. Patrick's Club, 280 Broadway, Menands, N.Y. 12204. Pies can be picked up on Tuesday, November 20th from 4 - 5 p.m. at the Menands Village Hall at 250 Broadway, Menands. Any questions call Kerry Wroblewski @ 518-522-7064 or Meg Grenier @ 518-463-5196.

## **SHOPPES AT BETHANY**

Bethany Presbyterian Church will be holding its annual Shoppes at Bethany on **Saturday, November 17, 2018 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.** at Folensbee Hall, 21 N. Lyons Avenue, Menands. There will be a variety of things to choose from, baked goods, knitted hats, mittens, scarfs, blankets, jewelry, handmade ornaments and decorations, games and books, holiday decorations and white elephant. Start your holiday shopping at Shoppes of Bethany. Lunch will be available for purchase. Hope to see you there.

## 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 9<sup>th</sup> 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 <u>menandsauxiliary@gmail.com</u> 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 **Tuesday**, **November 13**, **2018 at 6:30 p.m.** 

# IMPORTANT ANNOUCEMENT MENANDS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Ted Riese, our terrific children's librarian, will be leaving the library as of December 1<sup>st</sup>. He has taken an excellent new position elsewhere and we all wish him very well and good luck.

This means in the short term, there will be some disruption of youth services. As of December 1<sup>st</sup> 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 hand held 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.

## 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.

Fall Film Festival Presents Agatha Christie

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Daphane Du Maurier All Movies Start at 1 PM

November 13 - Conclusion of Jamaica Inn PLUS

The Secret Adversary - 2015

Directed by Edward Hall

## Episode 1

Featuring Ms Christie's married crime fighting duo of Tommy (David Walliams) and "Tuppence" (Jessica Raine)

A French woman disappears on a train. Tuppence wants to find her. This leads to Cold War intrigue with, maybe, Russian spies.

**November 20 - Conclusion of The Secret Adversary** The Menands Public Library is located at 4 N. Lyons Avenue, Menands, New York. For more info. call 518-463-4035.

#### **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.

#### 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.

#### 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.

#### FILL THE MAYFLOWER 2018

Yes, Pilgrims, it is that time of the year again. Time for the 11<sup>th</sup> annual "Fill the Mayflower" Food Drive sponsored by Menands Cares and Clark Mayflower Moving and Storage for the benefit of local food pantries during the Holiday Season.

This year's collection will be the weekend of **November 17** and 18. Volunteers will distribute collection bags on Saturday, November 17 and return on the afternoon of Sunday, November 18 to pick up your donations. As always, volunteers are needed and welcomed! For more information or to volunteer please contact Paul DeDominicis at 518-365-3338 or <u>pdedominicis@clarkmovingofalbany.com</u>. The generosity of the Menands community has always been overwhelming. Thank you for making this local tradition the success it is. See you on November 17/18!

## ST. AGNES CEMETERY: A WALK THROUGH TIME

Mortality defines the human condition. We approach death and burial in ways shaped by history, culture, religious beliefs and conditions that vary over time. If you are interested in cemeteries, join me to learn why gravestone styles, symbols and epitaphs are considered a reflection of beliefs and values of the societies in which they are embedded. This presentation will explain why cemeteries and memorials look the way they do. Why are 18th century gravestones so morbid with skulls and gnashing teeth and harsh words? What happened in the Victorian era to cause an explosion of angel statuary and sentimental words of comfort on memorials? What were the two main attitudes dominating responses to death and mourning? Cemeteries and memorials are learning tools and key components in the analysis of the past. Once you've attended this interesting PowerPoint presentation you'll never look at cemeteries the same!

# Free and Open to the Public A Walk Through Time Tuesday, November 13, 2018 2 – 3 p.m. The Living Room Art Gallery

**St.Agnes Cemetery, 48 Cemetery Ave., Menands** There is a lot of information in our beautiful full color, hard cover book "These Sacred Grounds" on sale now. It makes a great gift. Pick yours up after the lecture and I will sign it!

Items to be included in the next edition of the Menands Activities dated November 23, 2018 WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE AFTER 9 A.M. Monday, November 19, 2018. Please indicate item is for the Menands Activities.