# The News of MENANDS ACTIVITIES

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# VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

The next Village Board Meeting will be held on Monday, July 1, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. All meetings are open to the public and are handicap accessible.

# **HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS**

The Village Office, Court Office and D.P.W. will be closed on Thursday, July 4, 2013 due to the holiday.

#### HOLIDAY TRASH SCHEDULE

Due to the holiday Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, Thursday's pick up will be on Wednesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> and Friday, July 5<sup>th</sup> recycling day will remain the same. There will be no special pick up on Wednesday, July 6<sup>th</sup>.

#### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

The Menands Department of Public Works is accepting applications for summer help. Applications can be picked up at the Village Office between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Applicants must be at least 16 years of age and a Village of Menands resident.

#### **BUILDING PERMITS**

Please call the Village Building Department at 434-2922 if you are planning any construction, pool, roof or shed installation, etc. Be advised it takes approximately one week from receiving an application to the issuance of a building permit.

# SPONSORED BY THE VILLAGE OF MENANDS **2013 SUMMER CONCERTS**

Menands Park Tuesday's 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

July 9, 2013 Tom Healey Band July 16, 2013 New York Players July 23, 2013 **Standard Clams** July 30, 2013 Hair of the Dog The Oldies Show August 6, 2013 August 13, 2013 Bluz House Rockers

# **ANNUAL VILLAGE PICNIC**

Wednesday, August 21, 2013 begins at 5:00 p.m. Featuring Shut Up & Dance. Food and Beverages will be available for purchase and provided by the Menands Fire Department for all concerts and by various Village Organizations for the Village Picnic.

# **MENANDS FIRE COMPANY NEWS**

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Company #1 will be on Tuesday, July 2, 2013 at 8:00 p.m. at the firehouse. All members are encouraged to attend.

# **GREATER LOUDONVILLE ASSOCIATION**

Come one, come all! The Greater Loudonville Association presents a reading of the Declaration of Independence of the United States of America by Peter Crummey, Colonie Justice, on Thursday, July 4, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. at Loudon Green (corner of Route 9 and Menand Road). Parking is available at Loudonville School. Refreshments will be served. Contact 518-462-1906 Pamela Rowley at www.greaterloudonvilleassociation.org. for further info.

## MENANDS SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Menands School Board of Education will meet on Monday, July 15, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

#### **MAYOR'S MESSAGE**

#### Safety

I would like to pass along a reminder to all residents to be aware of scam artists. I recently received a call and the caller id said "block". I usually let unidentified calls go to my answering machine but decided to pick up this call. The recording said "we regret to inform you that your bank card has been blocked. Press 1 to reactivate it." Instead of pressing 1, we called the bank on the number on the back of our card and they confirmed it was a scam. They reiterated that a banking institution would NEVER ask for personal information over the phone. If you receive any calls asking for personal information, hang up and call the business directly with a number from your card or statements to confirm the call. Chief O'Brien has posted other warnings, including scam artists soliciting at your door. Please heed the warnings for your own safety. If at any time you feel uncomfortable about a situation do not hesitate to contact the Menands Police.

#### Congratulations

Superintendent Kathy Meany is retiring at the end of the school year. I have enjoyed a close working relationship with Kathy over the past six years and wish her the very best in her retirement. I look forward to working with Dr. Maureen Long as she begins her journey as Superintendent here in Menands. Congratulations to all of the Menands students in the 2013 graduating class in all levels of education. On a personal note, Jim and I are very proud of our daughters Melissa (Villanova) and Michele (Holy Cross) who both graduated Cum Laude in May. They began their education at Menands School, with some of the best teachers in our area, paving the way for high school and college. The dedication of our teachers in Menands is commendable. I wish them all a safe and relaxing summer.

#### **Economic Development**

John Stangle, Paul Reuss and I attended an open house at Albany Truck Sales located on Harts Lane. In 2012, the company undertook a significant upgrade of their facilities including the addition of a new truck servicing building to provide expanded repair and diagnostic services to their customers. We enjoyed a great lunch while talking to the owners and members of their staff. The open house was very well attended and included many vendors. I will be returning soon for a full tour of their facility. The company moved to 90 Harts Lane in Menands in 2003 and expanded its inventory to include new manufacturers. To read more about Albany Truck Sales, visit the company website at www.albanytrucksonline.com

#### Community

Every Tuesday, beginning July 9<sup>th</sup> thru August 13<sup>th</sup>, the Summer Concerts in the Park will take place from 6 - 8:30 at Ganser-Smith Memorial Park (Menands Park). The Menands Fire Dept. will be offering food and beverages for sale and it is a great way to enjoy a night out with your neighbors. For a complete schedule see the Village website at www.villageofmenands.com.

An additional concert will be held on Sunday, July 21st at the Capital District Farmers Market featuring the 42<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Division Band. Watch for details on our website and Village Newsletter.

The Village of Menands Annual Picnic will be held on Wednesday, August 21<sup>st</sup> beginning at 5:00 at the Menands Park. There will be live music, food and beverages for purchase and fun activities for the family.

Have a safe and happy summer. Until next time, Mayor Meg

## **HISTORIC ST. AGNES PHOTO CONTEST**

Photographers of all ages and skill levels are invited to participate in the Albany Diocesan Cemeteries' 6<sup>th</sup> annual photo contest that has been expanded to include 15 cemeteries in the Capital District. The past five contests have been limited to pictures of historic St. Agnes Cemetery, but now participants may visit any one of the cemeteries listed on our website: http://capitaldistrictcemeteries.org and take pictures. sponsored Changes to this year's contest Trustco Bank also include: More chances to win cash prizes, two entries per person are allowed, a \$200 prize offered exclusively to students (students may win in any category as well), all photos will be placed on display in the Empire State Plaza Concourse - thousands of people will see your work! Don't miss your chance to win big and showcase your photography talent in a very public space. Details and the rules and registration packet are posted under news and events on our website or email KellyAnn.Grimaldi@rcda.org to request the forms.

# MENANDS PUBLIC LIBRARY Library Seeking Volunteens to help with Summer Reading Program

Want to have some fun? Want free snacks? Want to do good in your community? Then be a Volunteen at the Library's Summer Reading Program! Volunteens are students entering grade 6 and up. They help with the Summer Reading Program prize table and programs.

#### Kick-Off of Summer Reading Program June 29th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Ice Cream Social

Join us for the library's start of summer with our annual Ice Cream Social. Kick off your summer with a great book, a bowl of free ice cream and this year to continue our focus on great graphic novels, we'll have special guests 'DK Zomibfy' doing zombie portraits! Chris from Magicman Entertainment will be here to make balloon creations for the kids!

#### Last Tuesday Lego Club - Tuesday June 25 at 6:30 p.m.

When it's the last Tuesday of the month where should all Lego fans be? At the Menands Public Library! Drop in to build with our library Legos or bring your own models to show off. Shared library Legos will be kept separate from club-member creations, so there's no need to worry about losing your personal Lego supply. Enjoy this free-building time with other Lego-maniacs and help choose themes for upcoming Lego programs. Open to kids in grades 2-6.

The Menands Public Library is located at 4 N. Lyons Ave., Menands. For more info call the library at 463-4035.

# Starting Tuesday, September 3, 2013 the Menands Public Library will have new hours. They will be as follows:

Monday and Wednesday 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Friday 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Sunday – closed

## MENANDS SENIOR CITIZEN CLUB

On **July 16, 2013** we will leave Ganser Smith Park at **9:15 a. m.** heading for Lake George, N.Y. for a luncheon cruise on Lac du Saint Sacrement. We will return approximately 5:00 p.m. Cost is \$32.

The trip to Yankee Stadium originally scheduled for August has been cancelled due to lack of interest.

On **August 13, 2013** we will leave Ganser-Smith Park at **7:30 a.m.** going to Turning Stone Casino, Verona, N.Y. Everyone will receive \$5.00 credit for food and \$20 Bingo bucks or \$25 free play. We will return approximately 6:00 p.m. Cost is \$10.

The All Clubs Senior Picnic will be held on **Wednesday**, **August 14, 2013** from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Albany Polish American Citizens Club, 110 Commerce Avenue, Albany, N.Y. Tickets may be purchased from Josephine Wells. They are \$15. Make your checks out to the Senior Clubs in Colonie. Handicapped parking will be available, if you have the appropriate permit.

To sign up and pay for any or all of our trips, please come to our gatherings every Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 P.M. Contact person would be President Diane Leonard.

#### **A-TOWN RUMBLE**

Please join us for the Fourth Annual A-Town Rumble, a Motorized Bike Rally to benefit the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. Dozens of 2 and 3 wheel mopeds, scooters & motorcycles will be on display at The Capital District Farmers Market on Saturday, July 13th from 10:00 -11:30 a.m. Next, we're off to swarm the State Capital and other points of interests. Remember to mark your calendar and come ride with us or just look over the cool bikes. With the registration Fee of \$25 you receive a Rally tee-shirt, bottled water & snacks, a guided tour through the Capital District and free pickup in the event of mechanical failure. Don't want to ride, but want to make a donation? problem. A collection jar will be on display at the command center. 100% of the registration fee & donations go to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. All riders should register online or <a href="http://atownrumble4.eventbrite.com">http://atownrumble4.eventbrite.com</a>. Please contact Chuck Price at 248-MENANDS (248-636-2637) if you have any questions.

Items to be included in the next edition of the Menands Activities dated July 5, 2013 WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE AFTER 9 A.M. Monday, July 1, 2013. Please indicate item is for the Menands Activities.