The News of **MENANDS ACTIVITIES**

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VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

The next Village Board Meeting will be held on Monday, August 4, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. (Please note time change). All meetings are open to the public and are handicap accessible.

MANY THANKS

We would like to express our sincere thanks to John Stangle and Al Wright for their many years of service to the Village of Menands. John has served as Trustee, Executive Asst. to Mayor and most recently, Village Clerk. Al has served as Bldg. Inspector for the past 12 years. Our best wishes to both John and Al.

Village Board of Trustees

GROW MENANDS

The award winning community program.....Grow Menands, will be starting up as the growing season finally arrives. Keeping our properties clean and beautiful is the fastest way to improve property value in our Village. So plant a few extra flowers to help Menands look its best this summer. An expert judging panel will soon be coming around to determine the winner in both residential and commercial curb appeal improvement. Look for the Grow Menands flyer in your mail for additional information.

2014 SUMMER CONCERT SCHEDULE

6:00 - 8:30

Ganser-Smith Memorial Park Menands (Rain or Shine)

Tuesday July 29 Big Fez & the Surfmatics

Tuesday Aug 05 Oldies Show

Tuesday Code Blue Aug 12

> Food and Beverages available for purchase and provided by the *Menands Fire Co*.

90th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

In celebration of the 90th Anniversary of the Village of Menands and the

Menands Fire Co. #1

the Annual Village Picnic will be held on

Saturday, August 23, 2014

(rain date Sunday, August 24, 2014)

beginning at 1:00 PM

Ganser-Smith Memorial Park, Menands Music: 1:00 - 4:00 Tom Healy Band 5:00 - 8:30 Shut Up & Dance

Childrens Show: 4:00 - 5:00 Mr. Twisty Food and Beverages available for purchase and provided by various Village organizations.

Join your family, friends and neighbors for a great event with awesome music and lots of fun.

MENANDS FIRE COMPANY NEWS

The August Meeting of the Menands Fire Company #1 will be held on Tuesday August 5, at 8:30 p.m. at Ganser Smith Park, immediately following the Concert in the Park. All members are encouraged to attend.

MENANDS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Storytime Hour will be held each Wednesday from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Menands Public Library. We look forward to seeing you here!

> **Summer Film Festival Presents** "Applied Science Movies" All movies start at 1 P.M.

July 29, 2014 - The Race For The Double Helix - 1987 **Directed by Mick Jackson**

American Jim Watson (Jeff Goldblum) goes to Oxford to work with Francis Crick (Tim Pigott-Smith) to beak the DNA code. With Juliet Stevenson and Alan Howard.

August 5, 2014 - October Sky - 1999 **Directed by Joe Johnston**

The true story of Homer Hickam (Jake Gyllenhaaql). Homer's family thinks it is foolishness for Homer to think he can be a scientist. But Homer's teacher, Miss Riley (Laura Dern) thinks otherwise.

Library Book Club?

Patrons of the library have expressed an interest in starting a book club. If you are interested give the library a call at 463-4035.

The library is located at 4 N. Lyons Ave. Menands. For more information you can call the library at 463-4035.

MENANDS SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Menands School Board of Education will meet on Monday, August 11, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

MENANDS SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

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, 2014, please call the Menands School at 465-4561 to register for the upcoming school year. If you know of a neighbor who has an age-eligible Kindergarten student, please pass the word!

MENANDS SCHOOL CLASS OF 2014

Graduation pictures for the Menands School Class of 2014 have arrived! Graduates may pick up photo at Menands School on Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

MENANDS SENIOR CITIZEN CLUB

We are boarding a bus August 25, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. and heading to the Saratoga Racino. Total cost is \$10. We will receive \$20 free play. The bus will leave the Racino for home at 2:00 p.m. All Seniors are welcome, stop in at our Thursday gatherings to sign up.

There is still a ticket available for Albany Pump Station and "Smokey Joe's Café" on August 6, 2014, Cost is \$40.

More on the other side.....

MENANDS SENIOR CITIZEN CLUB (continued)

On **September 7, 2014**, we will return to Hampton Beach, NH, for their annual Seafood Festival. We will leave Ganser-Smith Park at 7:00 a.m., stopping along the way for breakfast. We will arrive at Hampton Beach approx. 10:30 a.m. Bring a lawn chair, beach towel and umbrella for your comfort. If it is overcast and there is a chance of rain, bring a raincoat, umbrella and extra money if you need to go into a restaurant or casino. Meals are on your own. Cost of trip is \$20. We will return approx. 9:30 p.m.

On **September 23, 2014**, we will be touring the city of Troy, with Historian, Michael Barrett. After the tour, we will enjoy lunch at Mark's Park-Pub, Frear Park, Troy, NY. Menu: Choice of Troy Philly Cheese Steak, 8 oz. Sirloin Burger, Salmon BLT, Reuben (turkey or corned beef), Marinated Chicken Breast (Cajun or plain) or Chef Salad. Choice of 1 side: Salad of the day, French Fries or Sweet Potato Fries, Apple Crisp for dessert and a non-alcoholic beverage, coffee or tea. The bus leaves Ganser-Smith Park at 9 a.m. and returns at 2 p.m. Cost including gratuities. \$20.

Please remember to sign up and pre-pay for all or any of our trips at our Thursday gatherings.

Reminder: Transportation for one-day trips is subsidized by the Town of Colonie and The Village of Menands. If you do not live in the Village of Menands, or the Town of Colonie and you are not a sustaining Social member of Menands Senior Citizens Club (see by-laws), you are considered a social member and will be charged an additional \$10.00 to cover the cost of your transportation. Our insurance requires travelers to be currently paid members of at least one of the seven clubs in the Town of Colonie. You will need to show a current membership card when you sign up for trips.

If you do not have a 2014 membership card, contact Vice President, Debbie Tweitsch, 487-4593.

Items to be included in the next edition of the Menands Activities dated August 8, 2014 WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE AFTER 9 A.M. Monday, August 4, 2014. Please indicate item is for the Menands Activities.

HISTORIC ST. AGNES CEMETERY

Historic St. Agnes Cemetery announces the Friday Paint Club for aspiring artists in our community. Have you ever wanted to learn to paint or wish to improve your skills as an artist? This new club is for you! Local artist and professional instructor, Noreen Powell, will teach a series of painting classes on **Friday, August 8th and 15th from 10 a. m. to noon.** All materials including paints, brushes and canvas will be provided for a fee of \$20 per class. Pre-registration is required. To join the Friday Paint Club please download the registration form from Capital District Cemeteries.org or call Kelly Grimaldi at 463-0134 to have a form sent to you. Learn to paint in a disciplined but fun and relaxing atmosphere! Celebrate Life in a Historic Cemetery and make art while you are on this side of the grass!

Friday, August 1, 2014 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Clips, Snips, Beads and other Fancy Stuff!
Techniques of Textile Collage 1
Making a Life Sampler with artist Kathryn Kosto

Textiles are part of the fabric of our lives – lace from a favorite dress, a scrap from a grandmother's quilt and a bit of trim left from a sewing project. In this class, learn techniques of textile collage to create a sampler representing a story – your story. At home fill a shoe box with an assortment of textiles and related objects: fabric, scraps, buttons, broken jewelry pieces and anything else that is personal and meaningful to you. Kathryn will teach you how to express yourself by assembling objects into a sampler – like a collage that reflects your life story. No experience is necessary. Some supplies will be provided including canvas, boards, glues and other things.

Come early for a complimentary sangria, tea and a summer salad to get your mind off the work day and into a creative mode! Price \$20

To register call Kelly Grimaldi at 463-0134 ext. 110 or email KellyAnn.Grimaldi@rcda.org.

Saturday, August 16th 10 a.m. to noon Painting the Sky with Noreen Powell

This outdoor paint class is being held in honor of the birthday of one of America's finest artists, Edward McCarten who is buried in St.Agnes Cemetery. Though he was a sculptor himself, Mr. McCarten loved the arts and likely would have appreciated a class held in his memory. Learn to paint the sky with Noreen!

Class includes canvas, paints, brushes, beverages and snacks Cost \$20

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