

# The News of MENANDS ACTIVITIES

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## VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

The next Village Board Meeting will be held on **Monday, August 18, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. (Please note time change)**. All meetings are open to the public and are handicap accessible.

## 2014 SUMMER CONCERT SCHEDULE

**6:00 - 8:30**

Ganser-Smith Memorial Park Menands  
(Rain or Shine)

Tuesday Aug 12 Code Blue

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

## 90<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

In celebration of the 90<sup>th</sup> 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

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 MONSTER MILE

Bring your whole family to this exciting celebration of healthy living in our Village. Join us **Aug 23rd**, the morning of the Village picnic, for our 5K run, 3K walk, and kids run for fun & more... see the enclosed flyer for details.

## FIRST ANNUAL MENANDS WIFFLE BALL TOURNAMENT

The First Annual Wiffle Ball Tournament will be held in conjunction with the Village's 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration on **Saturday August 23<sup>rd</sup>** at Ganser – Smith Park. Teams of 4 or 5 players may register to play in one of two divisions: Division 1 will include children ages 6 – 10; games will begin at 1:30 p.m. Division 2 will include 11 – 15 year olds; games will begin at approximately 4:00 p.m. Further details, registration forms and game rules can be picked up at the Menands School or at the Village Offices and are also available on the Menands School Web Site: [www.menands.org](http://www.menands.org). Questions can be directed to Maureen Long: [mlong@menands.org](mailto:mlong@menands.org).

## MENANDS FIRE COMPANY NEWS

The August Meeting of the Menands Fire Company #1 will be held on **Tuesday September 2, at 8:30 p.m.** at the Firehouse. All members are encouraged to attend.

## GROW MENANDS

The award winning community improvement 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.

## CHAMPLAIN CANALWAY TRAIL

### 2014 BICYCLE TOUR

Register NOW and join us on **Sunday, August 10, 2014**, for a fun 30 mile ride exploring some of the historic and natural features of the Champlain Canalway Trail corridor. It is not a race. The group will stay together and make several stops to learn about sites along the way from local guides.

**Check in: 8:30 to 9:00 a.m.** at Saratoga National Historical Park lower parking lot near the Visitor's Center to check in with your pre-printed copy or, sign a release and prepare your bike. We will proceed through the park to Stillwater, then to Mechanicville for lunch. Then it's on to Schaghticoke and back to Stillwater to return between 3:30 and 4:00 p.m.

Helmets are required for all riders, Pre-Registration fee is \$12 per person; fee at the event will be \$15 person.

Click: To register online and pay via Paypal. For more information or a printable registration and release form visit: [www.HudsonCrossingPark.org/cctbiketour/](http://www.HudsonCrossingPark.org/cctbiketour/)

## 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!

### 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, September 22, 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!

More on the other side.....

### 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.

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.

On **October 21, 2014** we will leave Menands Park at 8:00 a.m. for an OCTOBERFEST at PLATZL BRAUHAUS, Pomona, N.Y.

On arrival: Coffee, Tea, Decaf, Scones and our homemade Donuts.

Dinner at Noon: Hearty Barley Soup, Cucumber Salad, Rolls, Bread and Butter. Choice of Roasted Half Chicken, Roast Pork or Sauerbraten Potato Pancake. Vegetable served family style: Bratwurst, Spare Ribs, Red Cabbage, Sauerkraut and Applesauce.

Dessert: Ice Cream, Coffee, Tea, Decaf, Beer, Soda and Apple Cider served 'til 5:00 p.m.

At 4:00 p.m. Black Forrest Ham or Turkey Sandwich from the Carving Table, Pretzels, Coffee, Tea, Decaf.

Live Music and Dancing!!!!

Cost including driver tip is \$46/\$56.

On **November 5, 2014** we will leave Menands Park at 8:00 a.m. for Westchester Dinner Theater to enjoy dinner and a performance of Rodger's and Hammerstein's, "SOUTH PACIFIC." Cost including driver tip \$57/\$67.

On **December 3, 2014** we will leave Menands Park for Stephen Sondheim Theatre, NYC, for "THE CAROLE KING MUSICAL." The inspiring story of her rise to stardom. Featuring: "You Make Me Feel Like A Natural Woman, and "Will You Love Me Tomorrow." Meals are on your own. Cost of Trip including Driver Tip \$70/\$80.

**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.

### 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.

### 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 15<sup>th</sup> 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! To register call Kelly Grimaldi at 463-0134 ext. 110 or email [KellyAnn.Grimaldi@rcda.org](mailto:KellyAnn.Grimaldi@rcda.org).

Painting the Sky with Noreen Powell

**Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup> 10 a.m. to noon**

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

To register call Kelly Grimaldi at 463-0134 ext. 110 or email [KellyAnn.Grimaldi@rcda.org](mailto:KellyAnn.Grimaldi@rcda.org).

Items to be included in the next edition of the Menands Activities dated August 22, 2014 <b>WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE AFTER 9 A.M. Monday, August 18, 2014. Please indicate item is for the Menands Activities.</b>
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