# The News of **MENANDS ACTIVITIES**

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VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
The next Village Board Meeting will be held on Monday, October 17, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. All meetings are held at 250 Broadway in Menands and are open to the public and handicap accessible.

#### YOUTH HALLOWEEN PARTY

The Halloween Party will be held on Sunday, October 30th from 1-3 at the Menands Park. We will meet at 12:30 at the firehouse to march to the park. There will be food, refreshments, a balloonist, and a face painter. Please dress for the weather. Call Brianna Coughlin if you have any questions 518-469-7726. Hope to see you there!

#### EMERGENCY ALERT PROGRAM

Please be advised that we are asking our residents to sign up for the "Everbridge Emergency Alert System". Get alerted about emergencies and other important community news that will help us to quickly provide you with critical information such as severe weather, water main breaks, unexpected road closures, Menands School closures and Senior events, and much more. You will receive time-sensitive messages wherever you specify, such as your home, mobile or business phones, email address, text messages and more. You pick where and how you want the message sent to you. This can be easily found on the villageofmenands.com website. "Everbridge" is on the left hand side of the home page. Just up your account, and fill in set required contact information. If you do not have a computer, call the Village Office at 434-2922 and they will be able to set you up for notification on your regular phone or cell phone number.

#### MENANDS POLICE MEET AND GREET

On October 20, 2016 at 6:00 p.m., the Menands Police Department in conjunction with the Menands School, will be holding a meet and greet for Menands Village youth to become acquainted with Officers from the Police Department. There will be a tour of the Police Department and a chance to view Police Department vehicles and equipment. refreshments will be served. This will be an opportunity for youths from the Village to ask questions and interact with Police Officers concerning their duties and become better informed as to services supplied by the Police. This is again to all Menands Village elementary and high school students. The event will begin at 6:00 p.m. sharp and start in the Menands Village Hall and proceed to the Police Department in staggered groups.

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

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Company #1 will be held on November 1, 2016, at 8:00 PM at the Firehouse. All members are encouraged to attend.

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

Our annual Life Membership and Past President Brunch will be held on Sunday, October 23, 2016 at 11:00am at the Village Hall. Please join us and bring your favorite dish to share. We will also be having a Christopher & Banks Fashion

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Co. #1 Auxiliary will be at 6:30 PM on November 9, 2016 at the Village Hall located at 250 Broadway, Menands.

#### MENANDS SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Menands School Board of Education will meet on Monday, November 14, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

#### **BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION**

Menands School is collecting box tops! Look for the "Box Tops" logo and clip it! Please make sure the expiration date is intact. Box Tops can be dropped off at Menands School in the lobby. There is a collection bin labeled "Box Tops". They can also be mailed to Menands School c/o Jennifer Cannavo, 19 Wards Lane Menands, New York 12204.

Thank you for your support!

#### **ATTENTION MENANDS CLASS OF 2016**

Menands School Class of 2016 graduation pictures are available for pick up in the lobby of the school Monday through Friday from 8 - 4 p.m.

#### WEEKLY LOCAL PRODUCE DELIVERY

Menands School is now a Field Goods pick-up location for locally grown fruit and vegetables, with deliveries every Thursday. Field Goods is a year-round local produce delivery service; customers receive 5-8 different fruit and vegetables (depending on bag size), plus optional add-ons. Bags cost \$15 to \$30 per week, and can be put on hold at any time. It's flexible! Field Goods purchases everything directly from over 80 small farms in the region. All of the produce is non-GMO, and most is organically grown. This is a PTA fundraiser; \$1 per bag goes to benefit the Menands School PTA. TO SIGN UP:

- 1. Go to Field-Goods.com
- Click "Order Now"
   Select "Private Locations" and enter "Menands"
- 4. Click the "Find Location" button
- 5. Choose "Menands School Fundraiser" and follow the prompts.

#### **MENANDS SENIOR CITIZEN CLUB**

On November 9, 2016 we will return to the Westchester Broadway Dinner Theatre to see "Saturday Night Fever" featuring vibrant choreography and everlasting hits of the Bee Gee's. Cost of Trip \$57/\$67.

Please reserve for our trip as early as possible to ensure seating. Money is not needed until 30 days before the actual trip date. But, of course, if you need to cancel, let us know immediately. Christmas Party will be held on Sunday, December 4, 2016 at the Village Hall. Bob Schantz once again will prepare the dinner. Reservations with your meal choice of either Roast Pork or Roast Turkey are appreciated. Music is by our favorite entertainer, Paul Slusar. Cost \$15.

#### **MENANDS SCHOOL PTA PRESENTS:**

"Drugs And Your Child - What Every Parent Should Know" Menands School will be hosting a guest speaker on Tuesday, November 2, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss drug and alcohol abuse and prevention. Steve Boulet is the Operations Manager of SPARC Detox at St. Peter's Hospital and has over 15 years of experience as a Certified Drug Alcohol Counselor. The discussion will include talking to your child about drugs and alcohol, peer pressure and warning signs of abuse. Informational handouts will be provided, including information on recovery resources in the area.

More on the other side.....

## JOSEPHINE WELLS HONORED AT ANNUAL FOUNDERS' DINNER

Every Fall, Colonie Senior Service Centers honors individuals and businesses at the Annual Founders' Awards Dinner for their vision and leadership in senior programming. This year on **Monday, October 17,** as our organization celebrates 35 years of senior services in Colonie and throughout the Greater Capital Region, we will also honor Menands Senior Club's very own Josephine Wells as she receives this year's Marion T. Lamar Health and Wellness Award for her many years of leading seniors to make healthy choices! For the past 15 years, Jo led many classes and continues to do so to this day. We thank you for all of your commitment and dedication to helping seniors in our community live a full and active life. Congratulations to you, Jo, from all of us at Colonie Senior Services Centers!

#### HISTORIC ST. AGNES CEMETERY Friday Paint Club Fall 2016

Friday Paint Club will meet from 10 AM – Noon in The Living Room Art Gallery on the dates listed below. Class size is limited and themes vary. Price per class is \$20 for 8 x 10 canvas and \$25 for 11 x 14 canvas. Paints, brushes and two hours of professional instruction are included. Friday Paint Club is perfect for aspiring artists looking for structured classes with emphasis on color values, perspective, line and composition techniques using acrylic paints on stretched canvas. It is also perfect for beginners because classes are small, relaxed and fun! Coffee, juices and bakery goods from the famed Schuyler Bakery, Watervliet are provided. No prior experience is necessary. Painting is very therapeutic! Each class features a different subject, theme or style of a famous artist. Paint club participants put their own spin and apply their own style to whatever it is the instructor presents. You have full creative control over your own canvas. Call Kelly at 463-0134 or email KellyAnn.Grimaldi@rcda.org to register.

Oct. 21 - Angel in the Fog

Oct. 28 - Beautiful Gate

Nov. 4 - Colorful Clouds

Nov. 18 - Night Sky

Dec. 9 - Karner Blue Butterfly

Dec. 16 - Red Wing Blackbird in the Reeds

#### We also have:

#### **A History of American Cemeteries**

If you have ever walked through a cemetery just for the sheer enjoyment of art and nature; if you think graveyards are something for the living to enjoy, then this course is for you. Art, often of museum quality, is found in many cemeteries. The wonderful visual pleasures left by people from the Victorian era to present as they have decorated for the dead are subjects of this class. We will also cover the cultural,

social and practical influences that inform what you see in a cemetery. The course is meant to educate but not without a really fun and interesting element! Our instructor, Frank Calidonna is also an accomplished photographer of cemetery art. His work will be on exhibit in The Living Room Art Gallery where the lectures will be held. This five part series includes guided tour of St. Agnes Cemetery with focus on artistic conventions in funerary art over the past 150 year.

10:30 - Noon on Tuesday, Oct. 18 (rain date for tour is Oct. 18) Price of \$55 includes coffee, tea, fresh bakery goods. Call Kelly at 463-0134 or to register, email KellyAnn.Grimaldi@rcdea.org

It's that time of year again to prepare for another exciting season of Menands Youth Basketball. We have teams for boys and girls in grades 3 thru 8. Registration costs \$25 per player with a maximum of \$40 if you have 2 or more players registering. For new players and players who need a replacement Uniform, I am still working on the Uniform costs. Currently it looks like it will be \$35 for a reversible jersey and \$15 for shorts (\$50 for the full uniform). All new players are welcome. Please consider having your child join our program and enjoy the competition, teamwork and skill building. You still have time to sign up. If you have any questions, contact Ron Mattice at e-mail: <a href="mailto:morigan@nycap.rr.com">morigan@nycap.rr.com</a>

### MENANDS PUBLIC LIBRARY

**Story Time** - Story Time is held at 1:30 p.m. every Thursday afternoon (before the Library opens) and at 1:00 p.m. every other Saturday.

The Menands Public Library will be hosting a community-organized book club on **Thursday**, **October 20**<sup>th</sup> **at 6:00 p.m.** Attendees should read The Midwife of Hope River by Patricia Harman so that they can discuss the book with others at the event. Several copies are on hold at the library for people who are interested.

**Book Sale** at the Menands Public Library! Fill a bag with books and pay \$5.00. **Saturday, October 15 and Saturday, October 29 from 10 – 12 noon.** Have a free cup of coffee and a doughnut while you look over book titles. Proceeds from the sale will help fund library construction projects.

**Our Homework Help** group meets on Thursdays at 4:00 p.m. **On every Wednesday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.** is Tech Advice Night at the library with our resident digital native, Ted. Can' figure out how to set up your new phone? Want to know what's using up your data plan? Don't know how to get your pictures onto your computer? Appointments not necessary, but recommended – just call the library to make one.

On Saturday, October 29 from 11a.m. to 1 p.m., we will be hosting a "How to Make Rangoli" program and a Halloween costume contest. Rangoli are special designs made with powder that people traditionally make for the Hindu holiday Diwali. Diwali takes place in the autumn and this year it falls on the 30<sup>th</sup> of October, almost the same day as Halloween. Come in costume (if you want) and learn to make Rangoli! There will be prizes for the best costume at the end of the day.

Menands Public Library's Fall Film Festival Presents
Happy 100<sup>th</sup>! Olivia De Havilland!
On July 1 Ms de Havilland turned 100 years old and
She is alive and well and living in Paris!

October 18 - To Each His Own - 1946

Directed by Mitchell Leisen

American, Jody Norris (Ms de Havilland) herself an air raid warden in London during WW2. During a lull in the bombing, she tells a fellow air warden of her lost love and why she had to give up their son.

Ms de Havilland's first Oscar

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

Items to be included in the next edition of the Menands Activities dated October 28, 2016 WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE AFTER 9 A.M. Monday, October 24, 2016. Please indicate item is for the Menands Activities.