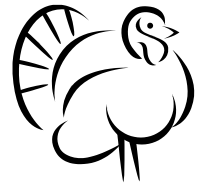


# The News of MENANDS ACTIVITIES

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## VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

The next Village Board Meeting will be held on **Monday, November 21, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.** All meetings are held at 250 Broadway in Menands and are open to the public and handicap accessible.

## “SLOW DOWN TO GET AROUND” LAW

### Protects Sanitation Workers

Gov. Cuomo recently signed into legislation to add sanitation and recycling vehicles to the state’s “Move Over” law. Under the new law, motorists must move over and slow down to an appropriate speed when passing refuse trucks, giving the same treatment as vehicles with flashing red/blue or amber lights that were already covered under the law. Sanitation is among the most dangerous work that public employees perform. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics in 2014, sanitation workers had a fatality rate of 33 per 100,000 workers, the fifth most fatal occupation that year.

## THANKSGIVING WEEK OFFICE HOURS

The Village Office and Court Office will be closed **Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25** due to the Thanksgiving holiday. D.P.W. will be closed **Thursday, November 24.**

## THANKSGIVING WEEK TRASH SCHEDULE

**Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, Thursday, November 24, Thursday’s recycling will be picked up on Wednesday, November 23, Friday, November 25 recycling day will remain the same.** There will be **NO** special pick up on Wednesday, November 23.

## 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 pick up 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.**

## IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM THE MENANDS POLICE DEPARTMENT

As a result of recent juvenile arrests by the police, Chief O’Brien reminds residents to always lock their car doors and on vehicles equipped with alarms to keep them activated when leaving vehicles unattended. Recently during the overnight hours some resident’s vehicles were entered and money and other items were stolen. In these instances all vehicles were left unlocked. Do not leave any valuables visible in the interior, place them in the trunk or bring them inside the residence. Where available use residential exterior lighting as a further deterrence. As always immediately report any suspicious activity to the Police Department for further investigation by Officers.

## ALBANY EVENING GARDEN CLUB

The Albany Evening Garden Club will meet at the Menands Village Hall on **December 6 from 1 – 3 p.m.** to do Christmas center pieces. Please bring clippers, any greens and 2-3 dozen cookies for the cookie exchange.

## 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](http://villageofmenands.com) website. "Everbridge" is on the left hand side of the home page. Just click, set up your account, and fill in the required contact information. If you do not have a computer, call Aileen Nicoll at 465-4561 and she will be able to set you up for notification on your regular phone or cell phone number.

## THANK YOU

Thank you to all who came out and joined us at the Halloween Party. A huge thank you goes out to many people for making the party a success: Mike MacKay, John McKenna, John Stangle, Sheri Archambault, Harvey Bender, Brian Sheridan, Mike Stuerer, Mike Hagmann, Jessica Lamoreaux, and Esposito's Produce. Hopefully I remembered everyone, if not I am sorry!! Thank you all again, it was much appreciated.

Brianna Coughlin & The Counselors

## MENANDS FIRE CO. #1, INC.

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Company #1 will be held on **December 6, 2016, at 8:00 PM** at the Firehouse. All members are encouraged to attend.

The Menands Fire Co, Inc. will hold the annual Christmas Party on **December 10 at 6:00 p.m.** at the Village Hall. All members of the Fire Company and Auxiliary are invited. A sign-up sheet is in the lounge. Deadline is December 3.

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

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Co. #1 Auxiliary will be at 6:30 PM on **December 14, 2016** at the Village Hall located at 250 Broadway, Menands. Following the meeting we will have our annual cookie exchange.

## CUB SCOUT PACK 6 PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER

Please join us for a pancake breakfast as we raise funds for new uniforms and equipment for the pack on **Sunday, November 20 from 8 – 11 a.m.** at the Menands Village Hall, 250 Broadway, Menands. All proceeds go to the Menands Cub Scout Pack 6. Cost: Adults \$8, Seniors \$7 and kids \$6.

## SHOPPES AT BETHANY

Bethany Presbyterian Church, 21 N. Lyons Ave., Menands, will be holding their annual “Shoppes at Bethany” bazaar on **Saturday, November 19, 2016 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.** in Folsbee Hall. There will be baked goodies, books/games/puzzles, jewelry, white elephant, holiday decorations and knitted articles for sale. In addition, a light lunch will be available for purchase.

You may want to order your Christmas Wreath at this time, forms will be available. Kick off your holiday shopping at “Shoppes at Bethany”.

More on the other side.....  
FILL THE MAYFLOWER 2016

Menands Cares along with Clark Moving and Storage of Albany are once again sponsoring the Annual FILL THE MAYFLOWER food drive to aid local food pantries during the holiday season when the need is so great. This year's drive will be **Saturday and Sunday November 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>**. Our volunteers will be distributing collection bags and flyers Saturday, and picking up donations Sunday between 12 and 3 pm. You may place your donation on your porch or drop it off at the "MAYFLOWER" which will be docked at Ganser Smith Park on Sunday. Collection boxes will also be placed in the lobby of Menands School and the Village Hall. **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO ASSIST**. Please contact Paul DeDominicis @ 365-3388 with questions or to volunteer to help. This is our ninth year of the FILL THE MAYFLOWER food drive. Every year your generosity is overwhelming. Help make this year's drive another huge success!

#### **NYS STUDENT RESEARCH AWARD PROGRAM**

The New York State Archives has announced their Student Research Award program for the year 2017. All research must use actual historical records (primary resource materials) including photographs, diaries, letters, maps, etc. Both individual and group entries are welcome. Three awards for students in grades 4-5, 6-8, and 9-12 will be presented. Here is the link for additional information, guidelines, and an official entry form: [http://www.archives.nysed.gov/grants/grants\\_student\\_srguidelines.shtml](http://www.archives.nysed.gov/grants/grants_student_srguidelines.shtml)

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

**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.

**On December 5, 2016**, we will be going to the Westchester Dinner Theater to see "Let's Hang On, "Tribute to Frankie Valli". Lead singer of the Four Seasons. Hits like, ""Big Girls Don't Cry," "Sherry," "Walk Like A Man," Can't Take My Eyes Off Of You," and many more. Cost of Trip with Dinner and a Show is \$57/\$67.

**On December 20, 2016**, we will be going to Il Faro Restaurant for a delicious Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner at 4 p.m. with a trip following to Washington Park for the Christmas Lights. Cost \$25/\$35.

#### **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](mailto:KellyAnn.Grimaldi@rcda.org) to register.

**Nov. 18 - Night Sky**

**Dec. 9 - Karner Blue Butterfly**

**Dec. 16 - Red Wing Blackbird in the Reeds**

#### **MENANDS YOUTH BASKETBALL REGISTRATION**

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: [morigan@nycap.rr.com](mailto:morigan@nycap.rr.com)

#### **MENANDS SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The Menands School Board of Education will meet on **Monday, November 14, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. Note time change.**

#### **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.

**Book Club** - The Menands Public Library book club will meet on Thursday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. The club will be discussing THE BLUE COTTON GOWN: A midwife Memoir by Patricia Harman. Copies of the book will be available at the library.

**Our Homework Help** group meets on Thurs. 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't 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.

The 2017 edition of the world renowned Menands Public Library Pocket Calendar is here at last! Supplies are limited. That means only one calendar per card holder. Hurry to get yours while supplies last!

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!**

**All movies start at 1 p.m.**

**November 15 - Hush....Hush Sweet Charlotte - 1964**

Directed by Robert Aldrich

Charlotte Hollis (Bette Davis) lives in an old mansion the highway department wants to level to make way for a new road. Distant cousin Miriam (Ms de Havilland) and Dr. Drew Bayliss (Joseph Cotton) are "**helping**" Charlotte keep her ancestral home.

**November 22 - Light in the Piazza - 1962**

Directed by Guy Green

Meg Johnson (Ms de Havilland) is on holiday in Florence with her daughter Clara (Yvette Mimieux). Clara meets and falls in love with Fabrizio (George Hamilton). While Meg, at first, hopes it is only "puppy love", Clara and Fabrizio are starting to get serious. In response, Meg and Clara run off to Rome with Meg hoping she will never have to reveal Clara's secret.

#### **NOURISH YOUR NEIGHBOR**

##### **A HEALTHY FOOD DRIVE INITIATIVE**

In conjunction with CAPITAL REGION EAT SMART NEW YORK PROGRAM, the Menands Public Library is participating in the NOURISH YOUR NEIGHBOR food drive. This food drive differs from others in that the library will be collecting "healthy" food stuffs. Such things as dried fruit, low sodium canned items, rolled oats, whole grain pasta, etc. The library will be a collection center for these healthy items and then send them on to local food pantries. We will be a collection center until New Years.

**Please do not leave food stuffs outside in front of the library when it is closed.** Drop off your donation during library hours. For more information, please feel free to call the library at 518-463-4035.

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 November 25, 2016 **WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE AFTER 9 A.M. Monday, November 21, 2016. Please indicate item is for the Menands Activities.**

