

The News of **MENANDS ACTIVITIES** Published by the Village of Menands



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VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

The next Village Board Meeting will be held on Monday, March 18, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. All meetings are held at 250 Broadway in Menands and are open to the public and are handicap accessible.

ZBA PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearings will be held on Thursday, March 21st, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. in the Village Municipal Building at 240 Broadway for the purpose of considering the following applications for a variance:

Uri Kaufman, Al Self Storage LLC is applying for a Use Variance at 30 Broadway to construct a 4500 sq. ft. self-storage building.

NLK Ventures at 315 Broadway is applying for a Use Variance. Property is zoned in T-5 which does not allow one family homes but the owner is applying for a one family residency.

Anchor Sign, Inc. at 90 Broadway is applying for a Use Variance. This property is in the BBD zoning, they are looking for relief from Chapter 128, Attachment 1:2

Such Public Hearings are open to the public and are accessible to the handicapped. All are encouraged to attend or to present comments in writing.

ALERT SYSTEM

If you would like to receive alerts from the Village of Menands, please sign up on the Village Website. If you do not have access to a computer and want to receive alerts, please contact Don Handerhan, Village Clerk, at 518-434-2922 and he will assist you.

VILLAGE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS & SNOW REMOVAL

To provide you with the best service possible, the Department of Public Works (DPW) would like to remind everyone that your cooperation is needed during the winter months for proper plowing, salting and snow removal. If you have a driveway or an off street parking space, please use it during the winter months and especially during a snow or ice storm as vehicles parked on the street hinder plowing operations. Please do not put snow in the streets once the plows have gone through. Additionally, anything that you might have in the Village's right-of-way, such as a basketball hoop, should be moved and stored for the winter. The Village will not be responsible for damage to any items left in the Village's right-of-way. In the event that a snow emergency is declared, details will be provided to local news stations, on the Village website and through our emergency alert system.

DUMPSTER RESERVATIONS BEGIN APRIL 1ST

Beginning April 1st - there will be a \$75.00 charge for the dumpster. To make a reservation for the dumpster, you need to come to the Village Office (8 a.m. - 4 p.m.), we can not take calls for reservations. Payment of \$75.00 will be due at time of making your reservation - No contractor's debris will be accepted. The Village crew will leave the dumpster at the end of your driveway on a Wednesday and pick it up the following Wednesday. Mark your calendar for March 29 to stop in the Village Office to schedule the dumpster starting April 1st.

MENANDS SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION

The next meeting of the Menands School Board of Education will be held on Wednesday April 17, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

PARK RENTAL

Park Rental began March 1, 2018 at 8:00 A.M. for the 2019 season, which runs from April 15th to October 31st (weather permitting.) \$100 deposit you must have a certificate of insurance from your homeowners or Renter's insurance. The park permit will not be issued until both deposit and certificate of insurance are received.

NYS ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY PROGRAM

NYS Adopt-A-Highway Program - Van Rensselaer Blvd Across the country, thousands of communities have signaled their commitment to keeping America beautiful by adopting stretches of highway and pledging to keep them litter-free. Approximately 5,000 miles of New York State highway roadsides are adopted. The New York State Department of 2,400 active Transportation has Adopt-A-Highway place. agreements in Volunteer groups, organizations, businesses or individuals may adopt a segment of highway as long as there are no other adopters of that segment. NYSDOT must determine that the segment to be adopted is safe for voluntary beautification. The adopters agree to perform at least four pick-ups each year, and the NYSDOT will collect and properly dispose of the litter the adopters have collected.

For those residents who would like to get involved in such a worthwhile program, please contact Village resident Brian Marsh at (617)905-6444 (cell).

MENANDS FIRE CO. #1, INC.

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Co. #1, Inc. will be Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 8:00 p.m. at the Firehouse. All members are encouraged to attend.

"SOMETHING FISHY"

Once again mark your calendars as "Something Fishy" will be going on at the Menands Fire Co. #1. It's time again for our annual Fish Fry's! This year's dates are March 22, 29 and April 12 and 19. Watch future issues of the Menands Activities for menu information and times!!!! The Menands Fire Co. Auxiliary will hold bake sales during the March 22 and April 19 fish fries. Easter Baked Goods on the last one.

MENANDS FIRE CO. #1, INC. AUXILIARY

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Co. #1, Inc. Auxiliary will be at 6:30 P.M. on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at the Village Hall located at 250 Broadway, Menands.

CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE DINNER

The Menands St. Patrick's Club Dinner-Dance will be held on Saturday, March 16th at the Menands Village Hall. The dinner will be served from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Entertainment will be from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. Adults \$15, Seniors \$11 and Children (12 years and under) \$7. Take out is also available. Contacts: Sheila Hyatt or Kerry Wroblewski at 436-8839.

COME MARCH WITH MENANDS

If you would like to march with the Menands Division in the Albany St. Patrick's Parade meet at the Menands firehouse at 12:30 p.m. on March 16, 2019. Any high school student who wishes to march must have the permission slip below signed by their parents. Younger children may march if accompanied by a parent/guardian.

Name		
Age/Grade	Phone#	
Address		
Parent Signature		

More on the other side..... **PAY IT FORWARD TOGETHER PROM CLOSET**

The Prom Closet was established in 2015 to provide every girl the opportunity to go to their prom. The Prom Closet will be accepting donations of gently used and modern prom dresses on March 23 from 9:00am to 10:30 am at Bethany Church, 21 North Lyons Ave in Menands. The Prom Closet will be open from April 6th to May 29th on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 to 7:30 PM and Saturdays from 9:00 to 10:30 am. for girls to come and find the dress of their dreams. We will also be accepting donations of shoes and accessories. Any questions you can contact Carol Darmetko at 518 396-7580 or Jean Parker at 518 527-9928.

MENANDS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Every Thursday at 6 p.m. will be Computer/Tech support. FAMILY & KIDS' STUFF

Every Monday at 2 p.m. will be Art and Crafts hour. This is for children up to age 6. Every Wednesday at 1 p.m. will be children's story hour. Every other Saturday at 12:00 p.m. will be Family Game Day. The date for the next month is 3/2. Every Friday there'll be Kid's Movies from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. The Menands Public Library is located at 4 N. Lyons Avenue, Menands, New York. For more info. call 518-463-4035.

Children's Art Competition (Ages: 5 - 15) Prize: \$25 Gift Card (Barnes And Noble) March 21^{st} at 5:30 p.m. For more information, please call us at 518-463-4035 or check our Website: <u>www.menandslibrary.org</u>.

THEY HAVE ARRIVED

The world famous 2019 Menands Public Library Pocket Calendar has arrived! Supplies are limited so, please, one calendar per library card holder.

SPRING FILM FESTIVAL PRESENTS Kirk Douglas who just turned 102!!

All movies start at 1 P.M.

March 19th - 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea - 1954 Directed by Richard Fleischer

Disney's F/X masterpiece of Jules Verne's Sci-Fi classic. Along with Mr. Douglas, there is Peter Lorre, Paul Lukas and James Mason as Captain Nemo.

March 26th - Lust for Life - 1956

Directed by Vincente Minnelli Mr. Douglas plays Vincent van Gogh in this film biography of the tortured painter. With Anthony Quinn's Oscar winning performance as Paul Gauguin.

MENANDS SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB NEWS

Come in and sign up for any of our trips at our Thursday gatherings. New members are always welcome. Only requirement, you must be 55 years young to apply. Dues still only \$5. Contact info. call Diane Leonard at 518-465-3771. The next meeting of the Menands Senior Citizen Club will be **February 28, 2019 at 10:30 A.M.**

ONE DAY TRIPS

MARCH 16, 2019, Saturday, "RIDE THE TROLLEY," in the St. Patrick's Parade, Albany, NY. After the parade, enjoy a corned beef and cabbage dinner and Irish entertainment at the Menands Fire Hall, Sponsored by the Menands St. Patrick's Club.

April 24, 2019, Wednesday, "Newsies," Westchester Broadway Theater, Elmsford, NY. The play was inspired by the real-life Newsboys Strike of 1899 in New York City. Trip includes dinner. Cost \$59/\$69.

June 12, 2019, Wednesday, "Living History Cruise" of the Erie Canal. Begins at the Herkimer Home in Little Falls and ends in Herkimer at Gems Along the Mohawk. Itinerary: Herkimer Home Tour, Promised Land BBQ, Chocolate making demonstration, depart from the Herkimer Home docks and cruise through Lock 17 then Lock 18 and then on to the Gems' dock. Finish with shopping. Cost \$46/\$56.

<u>KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION</u> Menands School Kindergarten Registration for the 2019-2020 School Year

The Menands School District has begun the process of registering students for the 2019-2020 Kindergarten Class. **If you, or someone you know, has a child who will be 5 years of age on or before December 1, 2019** please contact the district registrar at **518-465-4561 ext. 100.** Registration paperwork can be printed from the school's web page (www.menands.org) or picked up in person anytime Monday through Friday from 8-4. New York State Public Health Law, Section 2164, requires certain immunizations to enter kindergarten and attend school. Please check with your health care provider as soon as possible to make sure your child has all the needed immunizations. A copy of your child's immunization record and his/her current physical must be submitted prior to the first day of school in order to attend kindergarten.

ST. AGNES CEMETERY

The latest rage in genealogy research is the DNA test. People are finding out a lot about themselves and their connection to living relatives they never knew they had. DNA test results may be difficult to interpret and even harder to determine how to make the most of results as they relate to researching your family history. Professional genealogist Lisa Dougherty will be at the Visitors Center at St. Agnes Cemetery, Menands to guide you through the fundamentals of DNA tests. Learn how to make the most of your test by utilizing it as another tool to discover your family history!

Understanding your Ancestry DNA Test

Friday, March 22, 2019 from 11 AM – Noon Space is limited. Suggested donation is \$5. Call Kelly at 518-350-7679 or email Kelly@adcemeteries.org to register.

MENANDS PTA NEWS AND EVENTS

SAVE THE DATES

March 15, 2019: Dine-out at Blaze Pizza, Stuyvesant Plaza, 5-9 p.m. https://www.menandsschoolpta.com/fundraisers

April 8, 2019: General PTA Mtg., School Library, 6:30 P.M. **April 16, 2019: Parents as Partners: Special Education Workshop 6 P.M. at Menands School**

May 4, 2019: Yard Sale, Save your unwanted items and donate them to the PTA!

May 9, 2019: Family Portrait Fundraiser by Ashley Brown photography (rain date May 10, 2019)

May 16, 2019: Dine-out Fundraiser at IL Faro Restaurant, 698 North Pearl Street, 3 – 10 P.M.

May 21, 2019: Be Internet Awesome Workshop at Menands UFSD.

DONATION CAMPAIGN: Donate directly to the PTA by sending in a check payable to the Menands School PTA or cash and send the donation in an envelope marked "PTA Donation Campaign" to 19 Wards Lane, Menands, N.Y> 12204

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For more information on the Menands School PTA, please visit our website at https://www.menandsschoolpta.com/ or like us on Facebook!

> Items to be included in the next edition of the Menands Activities dated March 29, 2019 WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE AFTER 9 A.M. Monday, March 25, 2019. Please indicate item is for the Menands Activities.