

# The News of MENANDS ACTIVITIES





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## **VILLAGE BOARD MEETING**

The next Village Board Meeting will be held on **Monday, March 16, 2020 at 6:00 P.M**. All meetings are held at 250 Broadway in Menands and are open to the public and are handicap accessible.

## **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.

### **2020 CENSUS**

The 2020 Census is here. The Census data is used to determine grants to schools, nutrition assistance, funding for infrastructure and senior services. It is important that everyone gets counted, including children. Your response to the 2020 Census is safe, secure and protected by Federal law. Your answers are for statistics only AND CANNOT BE USED AGAINST YOU IN ANY WAY.

## HONORING THOSE WHO SERVE OUR COUNTRY

The Village of Menands is rich with pride and gratitude for the men and women who serve our country in the military. To honor both veterans and active duty members of all branches of our armed forces, we would like to join other communities in displaying banners of those who serve. Stop by the Village Office and pick up an application. An original picture of any size is needed and will be returned. The cost per banner is \$165.00. For more information on participating in this program, contact the Village Office @ 518-434-2922.

#### **PARK RESERVATIONS**

The Park reservations are open now. To reserve the Park there has been some changes this year. You must be a resident or business within the Village of Menands and you will also need a Certificate of Insurance from your Homeowners or Renters insurance policy. The price to reserve the Park is now \$150.00 with \$100.00 refunded if there are no problems with the Park. If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact the Village Office at (518) 434-2922.

# MENANDS FIRE CO #1, INC.

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Co. #1, Inc. will be at the firehouse, **Tuesday**, **April 7**, **2020** at **8:00 p. m.** All members are encouraged to attend.

## **FISH FRY DINNERS**

Save the dates, there is something fishy afoot!" Yes matey's it is almost time once again for the annual fish fry dinners sponsored by the Menands Fire Co. #1. This year we will be serving on 3/20, 4/3 and 4/10. 4:00 to 7:30 p.m. Includes fish fry, fries, coleslaw, drink and dessert. Cost \$10. Cheese pizza available \$2 a slice or \$8 a pie. Eat in or take out. More info: 518-463-9494.

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

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Co. #1 Auxiliary will be at **6:30 P.M. on Wednesday, April 8, 2020** at the Village Hall located at 250 Broadway, Menands.

#### MENANDS SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION

The next meeting of the Menands School Board of Educ. will be held **Wednesday**, **April 22**, **2020** at **6:30** p.m.

### MENANDS BASEBALL/TBALL

Last call for enrollment for the 2020 Menands Tball and baseball league. **DEADLINE FRIDAY MARCH 27**<sup>TH</sup>! This year we have expanded the ages from 3 years old to 12 years old. This league is all coed. Please enroll at www.Menandsbaseballsoftball.com or reach out to Karyn Long Steurer at klong@cbpp.com or call her at 518-496-2411.

### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Now hiring for the Menands Baseball Tball season. We are looking for concession stand workers, score keepers as well as umpires. No experience needed! Employment begins Saturday 4/25. We need help week nights as well as Saturdays. Please reach out to Karyn Long at klong@cbpp.com or email her at 518-496-2411

## **CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE DINNER**

The Menands St. Patrick's Club Dinner-Dance will be held on **Saturday**, **March 14**<sup>th</sup> 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 \$18, Seniors \$15, Children 12 and under \$10. Take out \$13.

## **MENANDS SCHOOL CAREER DAY**

Menands School will be hosting a Career Day and we need YOUR experiences! We are looking for a variety of people interested in spending a morning talking to our middle school students about their career. Many of our students are unaware of the career opportunities available to them, and this is a wonderful way to provide them with first-hand knowledge of potential career paths. This is also a great way for you to get involved in Menands School and make an impact on the students' future. If you, or someone you know, would be interested in joining us, please connect with Gabby Mattson, School Counseling intern at 465-4561, ext. 156, or send an email to gmattson@menands.org. The Career Day will be held on Monday, June 22 from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Thank you in advance for your involvement.

# MENANDS SCHOOL PTA INFORMATION

The Menands PTA is committed to making every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children. To join go to <a href="https://www.menandsschoolpta.com/join-now.">https://www.menandsschoolpta.com/join-now.</a>

More on the other side.....

### **HELLO MENANDS NEIGHBORHOOD!**

Our Menands School PTA is in search of some new board members for the upcoming school years. The Menands PTA is a very large part of the Menands School events as well as many community events. We would love nothing more than to see this wonderful organization continue to thrive. In order to do that we are in search of a President, a Secretary and a Treasurer to serve 2 year terms. You will have to become a member of the PTA to run, however you do not have to have a kid in the school to be eligible. We are seeking help from our wonderful community. All nominations and recommendations have to be into the nominating committee by March 23, 2020 in order to allow time for the committee and PTA to elect officials for the July 2020-2022 term. If you have a nomination and would like to apply yourself, please email the nomination committee later then March  $23^{rd}$ no menandsschoolPTA@gmail.com

## **SAVE THE DATE**

Grab your passport and join us as we take a tour around the world to sample the flavors of our diverse community! The Multi-Cultural Celebration will be held on **Friday**, **April 3**, **2020** at Menands School. Live Performances, Free Food and Refreshments available. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. Admission is FREE and open to the public. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to celebrate the many cultures represented at Menands School.

### **2020 MENANDS SCHOOL PTA DATES**

March 27: Middle School Fun Night Grades 6-8 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the school gym. Permission form at http://bit.ly/MSFunNight.

**April 3:** Multicultural Celebration 6:00 p.m. gym

**May 13:** Family Portrait Fundraiser at Ganser-Smith Park (rain date May 14, 2020) More info to follow.

April 30 and June 10, 2020: Please join us at our last General PTA meetings at 6:30 p.m. in the school library. If you need childcare, please complete the form at <a href="http://bit.ly/childcareform.">http://bit.ly/childcareform.</a>

Thank you for your support, Menands School PTA

## 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, 2020, please call Menands School at 518-465-4561 ext. 215 to register for the upcoming year. If you know of a neighbor who has an age-eligible Kindergarten student, please pass the word.

## **MENANDS LIBRARY DONATION POLICY**

The Menands Library has asked me to pass along this information so that you can determine what can be done with items that you are getting rid of.

We do not accept school text books.

We do not accept damaged items.

We cannot accept more than a dozen or so things at a time. We are a small library.

You must understand very few if any of your donations will be added to the collection. We give them away.

WE WILL NOT ACCEPT THINGS JUST DUMPED IN FRONT OF THE BUILDING. Recently a large number of items were left, they were rained on and ruined.

Call 518-463-4035 ahead. This is the best thing to do to determine how best you can donate items to our library.

### **SENIOR CLUB NEWS**

Menands Senior Club meets every Thursday from 9:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. We begin each week with yoga. After yoga anything goes, visit with friends, play cards. introduce a new activity and just relax.

Coffee, Tea and Water are always available.

Every month on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday (bingo day), we have pizza \$1, on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month (business meeting day), we have subs. \$2.

**IF SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED OR DELAYED** for nasty weather, the club is also closed.

**DUES** are \$5, due in January. We collect dues every Thursday. They can also be mailed to Debbie Teitsch, 3 Cornell Drive, Menands, NY 12204. Enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope with your payment to receive your 2020 membership card.

FINGER LAKES TOUR: 5/13-5/15/2020, FINAL PAYMENT IS DUE, MARCH 19, 2020

## **FREE LEARNING OPPORTUNITY**

### The Serious Side of Food

Come join us in The Living Room Art Gallery located in the Visitors Center at Historic St. Agnes Cemetery, 48 Cemetery Avenue, Menands, NY for an interesting and enlightening program series offered for free! Led by Professors Annette Crawford-Harris and Linda S. Pezzolesi, participants will engage in lively conversation based on assigned readings from texts selected by noted restaurant critic Mimi Sheraton participants in advance. This is a five-part series with 90-minute sessions, but you can attend as many as you want. Registration is required as space is limited. Call Kelly Grimaldi at 518-350-7679 or email Kelly@adcemeteries.org for more information. Program Dates: Wednesdays 6:30 – 8 PM on May 20, 27, June 3, 10 and 17

#### **SOLVING A MYSTERY**

As most people know, the Sage name has long been affiliated with Menands history. Mr. Dean Sage was the first member of the Sage family to purchase land on the north side of the old Menand Road in the mid 19<sup>th</sup> Century where he established his fine estate called "Hillside". Mrs. Dean Sage continued to reside there after her husband Dean had passed away and at some point in the very early 20<sup>th</sup> Century caused a duplicate to



be made of a bronze sundial on a pedestal, a replica of one on the estate of Sr. Walter Scott in the United Kingdom. The sundial was shipped to Mrs. Dean Sage at "Hillside" in Menands. Of course the last Sage to reside in Menands was Mrs. Henry Sage, the 2<sup>nd</sup> wife of Senator Henry Sage of the more commonly known "Sage Estate" on the south side of the Menand

Road. The British Sundial Society is seeking to locate the whereabouts of the duplicate sundial that made its way to the "Hillside" estate of Mrs. Dean Sage so that they may have the bronze sundial itself carefully measured and photographed so they can have a reproduction made of it to replace the original one stolen from atop of the pedestal in the estate of Sr. Walter Scott. If you have any information please contact Kevin Franklin, town historian, at <a href="mailto:FranklinK@colonie.org">FranklinK@colonie.org</a>

Items to be included in the next edition of the Menands Activities dated March 27, 2020 WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE AFTER 9 A.M. Monday, March 23, 2020. Please indicate item is for the Menands Activities.