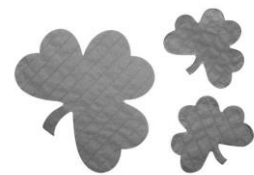


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VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

The next Village Board Meeting will be held on **Monday, March 7, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.** All meetings are open to the public and are handicap accessible.

BUDGET WORKSHOP

A budget workshop for Board Members will be held by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Menands in the Municipal Building of such Village on **Tuesday, March 8th, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.** Such meetings are open to the public and are accessible to the handicapped.

YOUTH EASTER PARTY

The Youth Easter Party will be held Saturday, **March 19th** @ the Menands Fire house from **10 a.m. - 12 p.m.** This year we are hosting the Easter Party indoors due to the holiday being so early & the unpredictable weather. There will be **a magic show, face painting, a balloonist, food & drinks, and a special visitor.** For more information, please call Brianna Coughlin at 469-7726.

MENANDS FIRE CO. #1, INC.

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Co. # 1 will be held on **Tuesday, April 5, at 8:00 p.m.** All fire company members are invited to attend.

FISH FRY DINNERS

“Save the Dates: The Menands Fire Co. #1 will be hosting FISH FRIES on **March 4, 18, and 25th.** Adults \$9, Seniors \$8 and kids meal \$6. 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

MENANDS FIRE CO. #1, INC. AUXILIARY

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Co. Auxiliary will be on **March 9, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.**

BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Women’s Association at Bethany Presbyterian Church will be selling soup and breads during Lent on the following schedule: Cost is \$6.25 a quart for soup
Friday – March 11, 3-5 p.m. – Turkey Vegetable
Friday - March 18, 3-5 p.m. – Hamburger Vegetable & Macaroni

MENANDS YOUTH OPEN GYM SCHEDULE 2016

High School Age and Up Thursday night 8:00 – 10:00 p.m.
March 3/10. In the event that school is closed due to inclement weather (snow day) on a Thursday, there will be no open gym that evening. Elementary and Middle School Grades 4 through 8 Saturday mornings 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon **March 3/5.** For more information contact: Lorenz Herrmann, supervisor Phone (518) 505-7998 Email: lherrma1@nycap.rr.com

MENANDS SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Save the Date 4/5/16 @ 6:00pm

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, 2016, please call Menands School at 465-4561 to register for the upcoming school year. There will be a Kindergarten Parent Information Night for parents only held at Menands School on **Tuesday April 5, 2016 at 6:00 pm** in the library. If you know of a neighbor who has an age-eligible Kindergarten student, please pass the word

MENANDS ST. PATRICK’S CLUB

The Menands St. Patrick’s Club was started in 1964 and this year marks the 52th anniversary of the club. We are looking for new club members to keep the tradition of the club alive. Come to one of our meetings and see what it’s all about. The next meeting of the Menands St. Patrick’s Club will be held on **Sunday, March 6, at 12:00 noon** at the Menands Village Hall. If you would like to march with the Menands Division in the Albany St. Patrick’s Day parade please be at the village hall on **March 12th by 12:30 p.m.** **Buses will leave at approximately 12:50 p.m.**

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Clare Kelley who was selected “Miss Colleen” for the Menands division of the St. Patrick’s Parade. Clare is a freshman at Shaker High School and the daughter of Joseph and Kathy Kelley. She was a Pom Pom girl for 6 years. She played softball in Menands for 8 years. Her current hobbies include: skiing, cooking, running and shopping. Andy Murphy is this year’s Marshal of the Menands Division. Congratulations all around.

CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE DINNER

The Menands St. Patrick’s Club Dinner-Dance will be held on **Saturday, March 12th** 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. Any questions contact Kerry Wroblewski at 436-8839.

POM POMS

Any Menands girls (grade 5 & up) who wishes to participate as a Pom Pom girl in the Albany St. Patrick’s Parade on March 12th are asked to call Colleen Salisbury @ 518-542-8823 or email larrycoll@aol.com. Or show up for the next practice, which is **March 6, at 11:00 a.m.** Any grade 3 and 4 girls interested, a parent or guardian must accompany them in the parade.

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 12, 2016.** 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 _____
Address _____
Phone # _____
Parent Signature _____

HISTORIC ST. AGNES CEMETERY

Friday Paint Club will meet from **10 AM - Noon** 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. 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. Call Kelly at 463-0134 or email KellyAnn.Grimaldi@rcda.org to register. **Apr. 22** - A Robin in a Sun Shower, **Apr. 29** - Open Theme or Tweak/Finish a Piece of Your Own Work* (*Could not finish a canvas during class? Bring it back for additional professional instruction.) Continued on the back.

More on the other side.....
Poppies on the Edge With Tina Greenfield

This is a Decorative Painting class. “Decorative Painting has historically been painting on useful objects, often by self-taught artists,” says art instructor Tina Greenfield. This art form of decorating useful objects continues to be popular today. Tina has been teaching decorative painting for over 14 years. Her work has been displayed nationally at the Library of Congress and at the White House. Tina’s *Poppies on the Edge* class will use a wooden framed mirror as the useful object. All materials to make your own uniquely decorated mirror will be provided. No experience is necessary. Take advantage of this opportunity to learn from a nationally recognized artist and art instructor! Join us in The Living Room Art Gallery on: **Friday, April 1st 1:00 - 4:00 PM** Price of \$50 includes all art materials and refreshments. Call Kelly at 463-0134 to register.

Winslow Homer’s Reflective Light Seascape

With Noreen Powell

Winslow Homer became well known as an American Realist because of his involvement as an artist-reporter for *Harper’s Weekly* during the Civil War. However, his painting style is as diverse and unpredictable as was the world around him in the mid-1800s. Homer painted realistic genre scenes similar in style to French genre painters which differed remarkably from his more impressionistic style. It is the influence of the French impressionists on Homer’s seascapes we will study in this workshop. He was clearly influenced by the great Claude Monet as evidenced in the image of one of his seascapes featured above. Let’s dabble in color and create reflective light in lovey water scene.

Saturday, April 9 10 AM - 3 PM

Price of \$75 includes all art materials, morning coffee, Tea, juice and pastries, and a catered lunch at noon. Participants will have the option of painting a 16 by 20 inch canvas or an 11 by 14 inch canvas. **Call Kelly at 463-0134 to register.**

SCHUYLER FLATTS BURIAL GROUND PROJECT

On June 5th, 2005 construction work in the Town of Colonie, NY (Route 32 near Menands/Watervliet) revealed an unmarked burial ground. Archaeologists discovered 13 sets of remains plus another set of remains was found in 1998. A total of 14 individuals were discovered. In 2010, bioarchaeological analysis was completed by the NYS Museum. The analyses determined that the remains are about 200 years old and represent 6 women, 1 man, 2 children, and five infants. The burial ground was dated between the 1700s and early 1800s. Historical research indicates that the burial ground was part of a large estate owned by the colonial Schuyler family who owned a number of slaves in the 18th and 19th centuries. The time has come to bury these individuals with dignity and respect. The Schuyler Flatts Burial Ground Committee welcomes the public to join us in honoring these people, by attending these upcoming events:

April 30th, 2016 1pm-3pm - *Public meeting and Artist Presentation* New York State Museum (Huxley theatre), 222 Madison Ave, Albany, NY **June 17th 2016** 12pm-8pm - *The remains will Lie in State* Schuyler Mansion State Historic Site, 32 Catherine St, Albany, NY **June 18th 2016** 11am-12pm *Burial Ceremony* St Agnes Cemetery, 48 Cemetery Ave (off Broadway), Menands, N.Y.

MENANDS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Special Events – On March 9th at 6:00 p.m., the village gardener will be at the public library to help kids and their parents plant flower seeds in containers. The containers will stay in the library until the plants are hardy enough to transplant.

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. March’s story time will be on Sat. 12th and the 26th.

The Teen Book Club will meet the first Thursday of each month at 5:00 p.m.

The Adult Book Club will meet the second Thursday of each month at 5:00 p.m. **(Please note the time change.)**

Our Homework Help group meets on Thursdays at 4:00 p.m.

Items to be included in the next edition of the Menands Activities dated March 18, 2016 **WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE AFTER 9 A.M. Monday, March 14, 2016. Please indicate item is for the Menands Activities.**

MENANDS PUBLIC LIBRARY (continued)

Spring Film Festival – Hollywood Remakes

All movies start at 1 p.m.

The remake is more faithful to the original

March 8th - His Girl Friday -1940

Directed by Howard Hawks

This is the most famous and successful adaptation of the play “The Front Page” even though one of the main characters had their sex changed. With Cary Grant, Rosalind Russell and Ralph Bellamy

March 15th - The Front Page - 1974

Directed by Billy Wilder

This version is without any sex changes. With Jack Lemmon and Walter Matthau

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

MENANDS SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION

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

MENANDS SENIOR CITIZEN CLUB

On **March 12, 2016**, Saturday, ride the trolley in the Albany St. Patrick’s Day Parade. After the parade, return to the Menands Municipal Hall for a Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner, enjoy Irish Dancing and entertainment. Please reserve your seat on the Trolley. The ride is Free!!

For those members who signed up for the **September 19, 2016** Niagara Falls trip, a \$30 deposit is required before reservations can be made. Please pay this as soon as possible.

On **May 10, 2016, Tuesday**, we will leave Ganser-Smith Park at **4:00 p.m.** for dinner at Menand’s fabulous new Italian Restaurant, IL FARO. Dinner will consist of a salad, entrée, dessert and coffee, tea or soda. **At 6:30 p.m.**, we will travel to PROCTOR’S THEATER, Schenectady, N.Y. for an evening performance of the Broadway musical **“ONCE.”**

A winner of 8 2012 Tony Awards, ONCE is a love story between a Dublin street musician who’s about to give up his dream when a beautiful young woman takes a sudden interest in his haunting love songs. As the chemistry between them grows, his music soars to powerful new heights...but their unlikely connection turns out to be deeper and more complex than your everyday romance. It’s an unforgettable story about going for your dreams and the power of music to connect us all. Cost of Trip \$75/85.

MENANDS JUNIOR LEAGUE 2016 SEASON



The Menands Junior Baseball & Softball League is a local volunteer-run league for boys and girls from age 4 to 13, (14 for girls). Players participate in Tee Ball, Baseball or Softball games in a safe, fun-filled, team oriented environment. Players begin practicing in April, with the first game played April 18, 2016. Tee Ball players are taught the fundamentals of the game and experience a game atmosphere where everyone wins. Games are played Monday thru Sunday. Weeknight games are played Monday thru Friday starting at 6:00pm. Weekend games run all day on Saturday and on Sunday start in the early afternoon. Our regular season concludes with playoffs for our Baseball and Softball divisions starting mid-June. We have a Valley Cats night and our league picnic with awards for everyone in late-June. Registration for the 2016 season is open until March 31st via our website. We also offer in-person registration at Menands School on February 6th and 13th from 9am until noon. Registration costs for the 2016 season: \$65.00 for Tee Ball, \$75.00 for Minor Baseball/Softball, and \$85.00 for Major Baseball/Softball. We urge all players to register early as space becomes constrained later in the registration process. All registrations paid before February 14th are eligible for a \$15.00 per player discount. We also continue our Family Maximum pricing this year at \$175.00 per family. Late Registrations may be accepted after March 31st, space permitting with an additional fee of \$25.00. If you have any questions, stop by for an in-person registration or please visit our website at <http://menandsbaseballsoftball.org/> and/or Facebook page for more information.