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MENANDS MONTHLY

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

\$1,000,000! Menands has officially been awarded \$1 million for our South End Water and Sewer project from US Congressman Paul Tonko's office to help continue the work underway there. This extra FEDERAL funding will help us fill the gap caused by recent cost increases. We have been waiting 2 years for this award! We are meeting with our contractors and engineers to determine how much more of the original South End project this funding will allow us to complete. We will likely now be able to complete some of the side streets off Hendrick, in addition to the main project on Wolfert, Amsterdam, and Hendrick. Amazing news! We thank Congressman Tonko!



THANK YOU, ART MICARE

Art Micare retired in February after 30 years of service with the United States Postal Service. For the past 15 years, he has been the Village Mailman, delivering more than mail—he delivered reliability, kindness, and a friendly face to the community. On March 3, 2026, at the Menands Board of Trustees meeting Mayor Marsh and the Village Board will be presenting Art with a Proclamation.

Menands St. Patrick's Club's annual

Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner

March
14, 2026



Music by
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Events

MENANDS ST. PATRICK'S CLUB'S ANNUAL CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE DINNER

You can join and support the Menands St. Patrick's Club for an evening of fun and food on March 14th at the Menands Village Hall, 250 Broadway in Menands. Dinner will be from 4:30pm-7:30pm with music by Empire State Events and entertainment from 4:30pm-8:30pm including Irish Step Dancers and a Pipe Band. Adults are \$20.00, Seniors are \$17.00, Children 12 and under are \$10.00, take out is \$15.00, and after 7:30pm is \$10.00 for entertainment.

THE VILLAGE OF MENANDS PROUDLY RECOGNIZES THE MENANDS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR THEIR EXCEPTIONAL DEDICATION AND HARD WORK OVER THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS.

In 2025, the Menands Village Board formally approved the designation of the Menands Department of Public Works as **First Responders**, recognizing the critical role they play in protecting the health, safety, and well-being of our community.

Under the leadership of Superintendent **Mike Hagmann**, and with the tireless efforts of his staff of nine laborers, the DPW has worked around the clock clearing snow and ice to ensure our streets remain safe and passable. During this time, they have repaired **more than 20 water main breaks**, with continued uninterrupted trash collection and responding to the many day-to-day needs of the Village—always without hesitation.

The Menands Department of Public Works consistently rises to meet every challenge and will always be there to serve the needs of the Village.

Thank you for your unwavering commitment, professionalism, and hard work.

FISH FRY FRIDAYS WITH MENANDS FIRE COMPANY

Fish Fry Fridays are back at Menands Fire Company for February and March. You can stop by for a classic fish fry dinner served with a roll, your choice of sauce, French fries, coleslaw, and dessert for \$15, with cheese pizza also available. Meals are being served on Fridays from 4:00pm–7:00pm on February 20th, February 27th, March 6th, March 20th, and March 27th at 250 Broadway in Menands. Dine in or take out, your meal will be supporting your local firefighters.

MENANDS POLICE JOIN PAUL CAIANO WEATHER AND THE FIRST WARNING WEATHER LAB

Our very own Sgt. Stark joined Paul Caiano in a commercial for WNYT NewsChannel13's radar app. You can view the commercial on WNYT NewsChannel13's Facebook page.

CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES

In November 2021, the Village of Menands joined the New York State **Climate Smart Communities (CSC)** program, a statewide initiative that helps local governments take practical steps to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, save energy, and prepare for the impacts of climate change.

Since joining the program, the Village has secured **nearly \$300,000 in grant funding** to support energy-saving and sustainability projects that benefit residents and reduce long-term costs.

Thanks to Climate Smart Communities grants, the Village has completed or begun the following improvements:

- Converted all Village streetlights to energy-efficient LED lighting
- Upgraded lighting in all Village buildings and parks to LED
- Made energy efficiency improvements at 250 Broadway, including insulation upgrades and a partial roof replacement
- Installed two electric vehicle charging stations
- Replaced firehouse bay doors with new energy-efficient doors

These projects help lower energy use, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and create a more sustainable and resilient community for residents today and in the future.

MENANDS WILL BE HOSTING A PURIM CELEBRATION

Menands will be hosting a Purim celebration on March 3rd at 5pm until 6:45. Please join us. Rabbi Rubin will be master of ceremony.

Purim is a festive Jewish holiday that commemorates the deliverance of the Jewish people from a threatened genocide in ancient Persia. The holiday is celebrated annually on the 14th day of the Hebrew month.

Purim is known for its joyful and communal character. Customs include exchanging gifts of food with friends and neighbors (Mishloach Manot), giving charity to those in need (Matanot La'Evyonim), and sharing a festive meal (Seudat Purim). Many people dress in costumes or masks, reflecting the theme of hidden identities in the Purim story and the idea that events may have deeper meaning beneath the surface.

Overall, Purim emphasizes themes of resilience, faith, and communal responsibility, celebrating how courage, unity, and moral action can transform danger into deliverance and sorrow into joy.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Police, Fire, and EMS	911
Menands Police Non- Emergency	518 463-1681
Menands Fire Department	518 463-9494
Menands DPW	518 434-2922
Menands Village Office	518 434-2922
Menands Building/Code Enforcement	518 434-2922
Menands School	518 465-4561
Menands Public Library	518 463-4035
Town of Colonie	518 783-2700
Colonie Supervisor	518 783-2778
Colonie Town Clerk	518 783-2734
Colonie Assessor	518 783-2701
Colonie Community Development	518 783-2718
Colonie Senior Resources	518 459-5051
Colonie Historian	518 782-2601
Colonie Police, Fire, and EMS	518 783-2711
Colonie Animal Control	518 783-2711
Colonie Landfill	518 783-2827
Colonie Tax Department	518 783-2730
Albany County	518 447-7000
Albany County Board of Elections	518 487-5060
Albany County Clerk	518 487-5100
National Grid	800 642-4272
Spectrum Cable/Internet	518 869-5500
Poison control	800 222-1222
St Peters ER	518-525-1324
Albany Med ER	518 262-3131
Memorial ER	518 471-3221
Samaritan ER	518 271-3300

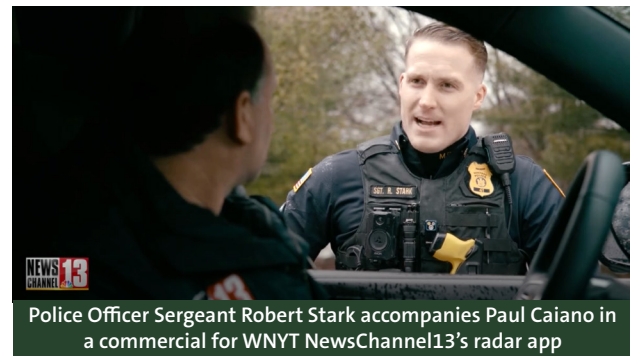


THE LITTLE RIVER PROJECT STUDY RECEIVES \$10,000 IN GRANT MONEY

Village received \$10,000 in grant money toward the Little River Project study. The Little River project would improve waterfront connectivity in Menands by re-establishing the water connection from the Little River to the Hudson River under I-787 and the Empire State Trail. It would involve constructing a new bridge along I-787, raising the vertical clearance under I-787 to allow for small boat access.

MENANDS MONTHLY CONTENT

If you have content you feel would add to the Menands Monthly, please send your items to the Communications Coordinator, Jason Carnegie at jcarnegie@menandsny.gov for consideration. Items must be sent before the 1st of the previous month to ensure they make the deadline for printing.



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Department of Public Works Plowtruck out during the January 25th Snowstorm

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MARCH 2026

MENANDS ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
01	02 REGULAR TRASH 6pm Village Board Meeting 7pm Fire Dept Drill Night	03 REGULAR TRASH 7pm Fire Company Meeting 5-6:45pm Purim Event	04 SPECIAL PICK UP	05 RECYCLING 9am Seniors	06 Fire Company Fish Fry	07
08 DAYLIGHT SAVING STARTS	09 REGULAR TRASH Board of Education Meeting 7pm Fire Dept Drill Night	10 REGULAR TRASH PTA Meeting	11 SPECIAL PICK UP Kindergarten Info Night 6:30pm Auxiliary Meeting	12 RECYCLING 9am Seniors	13	14 St. Patrick's Day Parade 4:30pm St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner
15	16 REGULAR TRASH 6pm Village Board Meeting 7pm Fire Dept Drill Night	17 REGULAR TRASH St. Patrick's Day	18 SPECIAL PICK UP	19 RECYCLING 9am Seniors	20 Fire Company Fish Fry No School Superintendace Conference	21
22	23 REGULAR TRASH 6:30pm Library Board Meeting 7pm Fire Dept Drill Night	24 REGULAR TRASH	25 SPECIAL PICK UP	26 RECYCLING 9am Seniors	27 Fire Company Fish Fry	28 2:30pm Drama Club Performance 3 2:30pm PTA Flower Sale 3:30pm
29	30 REGULAR TRASH 7pm Fire Dept Drill Night	31 REGULAR TRASH				