

The News of MENANDS ACTIVITIES

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VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

The next Village Board Meeting will be held on **Monday, November 6, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.** All meetings are held at 250 Broadway in Menands and are open to the public and are handicap accessible.

HEALTH INSURANCE WORKSHOP

A Health Insurance Workshop for Board Members will be held by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Menands in the Municipal Building at 250 Broadway of such Village on **Wednesday, November 1, 2017 at 5:30 P.M.** Such Workshops are open to the public and accessible to the handicapped.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The Village Offices, Court and DPW will be closed **Friday, November 10, 2017**, in observance of Veterans Day.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

The Village of Menands is looking to hiring a Part-Time Fire Inspector. The Candidate must be available to work during normal business hours. Candidates with code experience is preferred. Applications and a copy of the job description are available at the Village Office.

MENANDS FIRE CO. #1, INC.

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Company #1 Inc. will be held on **Tuesday, November 7, 2017 at 8:00 P.M.** at the firehouse. All members are encouraged to attend.

CRAFT FAIR

The Menands Fire Co. #1, Inc. Auxiliary is holding a Craft Fair on **November 4, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** at the Menands School Gym. Beverages and hot food served. Breakfast and Lunch items. Vendors include: Pampered Chef, Party Lite, Mary Kay, Arbonne, Traveling Vineyard, Tastefully Simple, 31 tote bags, Real Time Pain Relief, Artists, Replicas of real animals, Jewelry, Avon, Perfectly Posh, LuLaRoe Fashions and many more. Chinese Auction and Raffles. Come bring your family and friends. Something for everyone.

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, November 8, 2017** at the Village Hall located at 250 Broadway, Menands.

MENANDS SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION

The next meeting of the Menands School Board of Education will be held on **Monday, November 13, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.**

FATHER/DAUGHTER VALENTINES DANCE

If anyone is interested in running the Father/Daughter Valentines Dance, please call Tom Micheli @ 518-432-5675. My daughter and I will not be attending this year (it finally happened), so I am looking for a volunteer(s) to take over the duties. I have a pretty solid check-list so as to make the turnover fairly easy and I would of course be available to

handle any questions, etc. Please let me know if you're interested. Thanks!

CLASS PICTURES

Menands School Class of 2017 (and 2016) class pictures are available for pick up at the school between the hours of 8am-4pm.

YOUTH HALLOWEEN PARTY

The Halloween party will be held on **Sunday, October 29 from 1 – 3 p.m.** at Ganser Smith Park. We will be meeting at the Menands Fire House at 12:30 p.m. for the parade. Please join us by wearing your Halloween costumes and enjoying some snacks and refreshments. Hope to see you there!!

MENANDS SENIOR CITIZEN CLUB

On November 9, 2017, 12:00 noon, will be our second annual celebration of **Life!** Registered **Monagenatian** members, (over the age of 90) will be treated to a KFC chicken luncheon. Entertainment will be Brian Zapel. Other members are welcome, their lunch is \$7.00. If you plan to attend, you must let us know by 11/2/2017. Please call Debbie Teitsch at 518-487-4583 or Diane Leonard, 518 465-3771.

SAVE THE DATE for our Annual Christmas Party on Saturday, December 2, 2017 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Menands Village Hall, 250 Broadway. This year the Menands Firemen and Auxiliary will prepare and serve the meal. Reservations are necessary with your meal choice of either Roast Pork or Roast Turkey. There will be a share the wealth drawing, an optional \$5 to \$10 grab bag, a dance contest and a visit from Santa!!! Please sign up at a Thursday gathering or call Sheila Hyatt at 518-436-8839 or Diane Leonard at 518 465-3771 no later than 11/24/2017. Music is by Paul Slusar. Cost \$16.

The NYC Trip is **Wednesday, November 29, 2017. The bus leaves at 6:30 a.m.**

You can now sign up for any of the 2018 trips. Please reserve for trips as early as possible to ensure seating. This can be done at any of our Thursday Gatherings or call Diane Leonard, 518-465-3771. If you need to cancel, immediate notification is appreciated. Payment will be collected later as needed to secure the venue.

LIVING ROOM ART GALLERY

We have some fun classes planned to help us transition from the hot summer months to the cool, crisp days of fall. Join us for relaxing, professionally guided painting classes in: The Living Room Art Gallery Located in Historic St. Agnes Cemetery's Visitors Center 48 Cemetery Avenue, Menands, New York. Classes include paints (acrylic & oil), brushes, various sized canvas, and delicious baked goods from the famed Schuyler Bakery, gourmet coffees and teas and wonderful, positive energy. Prices are \$25 for an 11 x 14 inch canvas or \$20 for an 8 x 10 inch canvas unless noted otherwise. Call Kelly at 518-350-7679 to register or email KellyAnn.Grimaldi@rcda.org.

Nov. 10 10AM – Noon Basket of Gourds

Nov. 11 10AM – 1:00 PM Sunset on the Pier Oil on Canvas \$55 with Noreen Powell Register through Hudson Valley Community College (629-7339)
Nov. 17 10AM – Noon Pies on a Window Sill
Dec. 1 10AM – Noon Evergreens Heavy with Snow
Dec. 15 10AM – Noon Victorian Door with Christmas Wreath

FIELD GOODS BACK TO SCHOOL PROMOTION
Fresh Food from Small Farms! Now would be a great time to try a Field Goods Subscription! As a back to school promotion, the Menands PTA will earn \$5 for every new subscriber. Contact: info@field-goods.com to learn more.

More on the other side.....
MENANDS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Story Time - is held at 10:30 a.m. every Thursday
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 pictures onto your computer? Appointments not necessary, but recommended, call the library to make one.
On October 28th we will be having a pumpkin carving party from **10:30 a.m. to 12 noon!** We have carving tools and templates and we will provide some pumpkins, but you are encouraged to bring your own.
The night of **Monday, October 30th at 6:30 p.m.,** we will be hosting a Halloween costume contest with prizes for best home-made costume, best scary costume, best hero costume and best overall!

Menands Public Library's Fall Film Festival Presents
All movies start at 1 PM
A RUSSIAN SHERLOCK HOLMES
October 31st - Elementary TV series - 2012 to present
Directed by Igor Maslennikov
A modern version of Holmes' adventures that takes place in New York City. Sherlock Holmes (Johnny Lee Miller) has just gotten out of drug rehab. Dr. Joan Watson (Lucy Liu) is hired to oversee Holmes' recovery.
November 7th - Sherlock TV series - 2010 to present
Directed by Igor Maslennikov
A modern version of Holmes' adventures that takes place in London. Sherlock Holmes (Benedict Cumberbatch) needs a roommate. British army doctor John Watson (Martin Freeman) needs a place to stay.

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

LECTURE: HANK WYSOCKI
TEENAGE DRIVING SAFETY
Hank Wysocki author of Save Your Teenage Driver's Life: Important Strategies to Teach a New Driver Now! And Teach Your Teenager How to Drive a Car: **11/22/2017 7:00pm – 8:00PM** At Little's Lake main lodge. Please RSVP at info@littleslake.org or 518-463-8585

DANCE! DANCE! DANCE!
Menands School PTA will be hosting a super-hero themed school dance for **Grades K-5 on Thursday, November 9, 2017 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.** The dance will be held in the school gymnasium and will feature professional DJ Todd Moffre, whose unique and energetic approach will have the kids (and adults!) moving and dancing throughout the evening. Cost is \$5 for single student and \$8 for family (2 or more students in Grade K-5). Payment will be collected at the door. **Only K-5 Menands School students are allowed to attend this event. Your child must be accompanied and supervised by a responsible ADULT throughout the duration of the dance.** Comfortable, nonrestrictive clothing

and sneakers should be worn. Formal attire is not necessary. Superhero attire is optional. Refreshments provided by Menands School PTA.

Items to be included in the next edition of the Menands Activities dated November 10, 2017 **WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE AFTER 9 A.M. Monday, November 6, 2017.** Please indicate item is for the Menands Activities.

THE MENANDS SCHOOL PTA SUPPORTS MENANDS SCHOOL RELIEF EFFORTS.
Now thru November 7

Please join the Menands School community in supporting relief efforts to help those affected by Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico, Hurricane Irma in Florida and the Caribbean and the earthquake in Mexico.
Boxes for supply items and containers for a Penny Drive will be placed in the Menands School Front Lobby and in the middle school wing. The boxes and containers will be clearly labeled to specify the event and cause.
Supplies being collected for Relief and Recovery Efforts in Puerto Rico are Diapers, Baby Wipes, Feminine Hygiene Products, Batteries, Portable Lanterns, Flashlights and Cases of Bottled Water. All items must be unopened and in their original packaging. Supply items that are donated will be delivered to the Empire State Plaza.
The collection will take place during school hours from now through Tuesday, November 7th and a monetary donation from the penny drive will be made to the American Red Cross.
Participation in supporting the Relief Efforts is voluntary. Efforts are in accordance with School Policy 5251 – Charitable Fundraising.

PUBLIC FORUM INFORMATION
The Menands Union Free School District implemented a new six day schedule this school year that has increased instructional time and opportunities. The new schedule was collaboratively developed by a team of teachers and administrators with an eye toward maximizing available time to best meet student needs.
The Menands School PTA will host a Public Forum on **Wednesday, November 15, 2017 from 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.** at Menands School to discuss changes to the school's new schedule, in particular, the impact on recess. Superintendent Dr. Maureen Long will provide background information regarding the changes and will answer questions.
We encourage parents, families and school staff to submit their questions and comments to the Menands School PTA at menandsschoolpta@gmail.com by Friday, November 3, 2017. You may also drop them off in the PTA mailbox labeled "Public Forum" or send them in with your child.
Your voices and opinions are extremely important. We hope you attend the forum and it helps to clarify any questions or concerns you may have.
Thank you for your support, Menands School PTA
MENANDS SKI/SNOWBOARD PROGRAM 2018
Ski or Snowboard at Jiminy Peak on Wednesday's beginning January 3, 2018. The program includes 7 nights

of skiing/boarding, 6 lessons and bus transportation to and from Menands School for only **\$195 with lessons, \$165 without lessons** or a package deal with rentals \$291. The bus will leave Menands School at 3:30 p.m. and will return at approximately 9:30 p.m. **All are welcome; however, children below grade 5 MUST be accompanied by an adult.** For further information, or to request a registration packet, please contact **Karyn Long Steurer @ 518-496-2411** or **klong@cbpp.com**. **All paperwork and payment must be turned in no later than November 24th.**

THANK YOU

The committee for Derek Murphy’s Dollars for Derek’s Fundraiser would like to thank everyone for their generosity and support. We are over-whelmed by the kindness of everyone. We plan on continuing conducting the fundraiser again next year. Thank you again.