



# The News of MENANDS ACTIVITIES

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### VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

The next Village Board Meeting will be **Monday, November 15, 2021 at 6:00 pm.** Please check the Village Website, the meeting may be held via Google Meets or in person.

### VILLAGE OF MENANDS ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

A public hearing continuation will be held on **Thursday, December 9, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.** in the Court Room at 250 Broadway, located on the second floor. This date change has been requested by the applicant.

Vertical Bridge REIT, LLC has proposed a "Vertical Bridge" (cell phone tower) at 15 Elmwood Road Extension A.K.A. 381 Broadway zoned in the Broadway Business District (BBD). They are applying for a Use Variance for this proposed project.

The Village Schedule of Use Regulations, Chapter 169, Schedule "A" does not recognize the proposed tower as a "principal use permitted by right or a use permitted by special permit".

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.

John Bassett, Chairman  
Zoning Board of Appeals

### WATER METER READING

Water meter reads will be in November. D.P.W. will be going onto your property to read the meter.

### VETERANS DAY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The Village Offices, the Court and the DPW will be closed due to the holiday on **Thursday, November 11, 2021.** Recycling will be on Friday, November 12, 2021. **THERE WILL BE NO SPECIAL PICK-UP THAT WEEK.**

### D.P.W. NEWS

1. Please put out trash after 6 P.M. the day before pick-up.
2. Please put trash cans away by 7 p.m. the day trash was picked up.
3. Trash can should not weigh more than 40 pounds of trash.
4. **Please do not put out wet paint.** You can dry paint out by putting kitty litter or sand in the paint cans.
5. Liners must be white or opaque.
6. Importing of garbage, refuse and bulk items is prohibited.

### MENANDS FIRE CO. #1. INC.

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Co.#1, Inc will be held on **December 7, 2021,** in person at the firehouse. Meeting time is 8:00 p.m.

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

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Co. #1, Inc. Auxiliary will be held on **November 10, 2021,** VIRTUALLY on zoom. Please check your email and respond if attending. Meeting time is 6:30 p.m.

### ePAYMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

The Village of Menands has great news! You asked and we listened; As of June 1, 2021, we started offering ONLINE PAYMENTS via Xpress-pay! This includes credit cards, debit cards, and electronic check payments. There is a site processing fee of 2.95% + \$.40 for using a card and a \$1.75 site processing fee for an electronic check payment. This is a secure platform with the option to create a username and password, the ability to pay multiple accounts, whether it is for separate properties, water & sewer utility billing, or taxes. You can see the current amount due (including penalty if applicable), and it provides a receipt upon receiving payment. This system also has the option to notify you when a new bill is due via text message or email once a user profile has been created. You can access this portal via our website at: <https://villageofmenands.com>. We are very excited to introduce ePayments to our residents and business owners, as so many other communities already have. If you have questions or concerns, please call us at (518)-434-2922.

### MENANDS SKI & SNOWBOARDING CLUB

Now enrolling MENANDS Ski and Snowboard club. Open to all ages. 7 Wednesday nights at Jiminy Peak starting January 5th. Yankee trail Bus leaves MENANDS school at approximately 3:15 and returns around 9:30. No need to take the bus all are also welcome to drive as passes are handed out week 1. Lessons and equipment rental also available. Please call or email Karyn Long Steurer 518-496-2411 - [klong@cbpp.com](mailto:klong@cbpp.com) for enrollment and pricing!

### MENANDS CYO BASKETBALL NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Join the team! Whether you have only a little time or a lot to give, there is an opportunity for YOU! Help continue to give our local kids the BEST basketball experience! The league is volunteer driven and cannot survive without dedicated volunteers!! The Program is looking to form a Board of Directors to ensure this opportunity is available for our current and next generation of Basketball Players. Contact Ron with questions or for more information at [morgan@nycap.rr.com](mailto:morgan@nycap.rr.com) The club is having a meeting on November 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Fire House to discuss continuation of the CYO traditions. We look forward to seeing you all there.

### MENANDS SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION

The next Board of Education meeting has been scheduled for **Tuesday, November 8, 2021, at 6:30 p.m.** The meeting will be conducted in person.

More on the other side.....

### SENIOR CLUB NEWS

NOVEMBER 18, 2021, NONAGENARIAN LUNCHEON. Celebrate Life with Popeyes Luncheon Meal, Breast of Chicken, Mashed potatoes and Gravy, Cole slaw, Dessert, Coffee and Tea. Cost: \$7, over 90, eat free.

DECEMBER 2, 2021, CHRISTMAS PARTY, 12:00 noon 'til 3:00 pm.

Joseph E. Zaloga, American Legion Post #1520, 4 Everett Road Ext., Albany, NY.

Ample Parking, Handicapped Accessible

Menu Choice: Prime Rib of Beef or

Filet of Sole with Crab and Scallop stuffing.

Cash Bar

Entertainment: Paul Slusar

Optional \$10 Unisex Grab Bag

Share the Wealth Drawing: Proceeds donated to local Food Pantries.

Young and Old, Everyone is Welcome!!

Cost: \$30.

*To attend any events or Senior questions, contact:*

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### MENANDS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Menands Public Library

Phone (518) 463-4035

Hours: Mon. 12-8PM, Tue. 5-8PM, Wed. 12-8PM,

Thurs. 5-8PM, Fri. 12-5PM, Sat. 10-1PM

#### Adult Services:

Menands Book Club - Meetings are now IN PERSON at the Library. Next meeting is **December 7th at 7:00 pm.** If you would like to join, please call Laura at the library and she can let you know about the book.

Adult Fall 2021 Reading Challenge - please join the library staff for an adult reading challenge. You can pick up a challenge sheet from Laura. Sheets are due **NOVEMBER 19TH.** The winners will be announced the following week.

#### Teen Services:

Teen Art Competition - Please note the corrected dates. Entries are due **December 10th** and can be submitted to Laura at the library. Any medium and subject are welcome. The winner will be announced the following week.

Manga and Anime Club - Every Thursday from 6 -7:30 pm, please join Laura at the library for some fun events related to Manga and Japanese culture.

#### Youth Services:

Thanksgiving Crafts - Stop in and make your own turkey craft with Sherish!

Story Time - If you are interested in a Story Time please contact Sherish at the library to arrange a time. Virtual Story Times will be held this coming fall; more details to follow.

### FIRST ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF TREES

Help us light up the Ganser-Smith Park with a walk-thru tree spectacular. Families, organizations or businesses can purchase a tree for \$100.00 and then come out on **December 5, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.** to decorate your tree. Each group or family will be in charge of bringing their own outdoor LED lights and decorations. Trees can be decorated as a family tree, in honor of or in memory of someone or to highlight your organization or business. There will be a special tree honoring veterans. Everyone is invited to put an ornament on for a veteran at no cost. If you have additional questions you can email [kerrywroblewski@gmail.com](mailto:kerrywroblewski@gmail.com) At **5:00 p.m.** the same day, we will light up our trees in coordination with the village tree lighting ceremony, which would be open to the public with cookies, hot chocolate, caroling, and a visit from Santa.

To purchase a tree to decorate, please fill in the below form and return with payment by **Friday, November 19, 2021** to Menands St. Patrick's Club 280 Broadway Menands, NY 12204. Checks payable to Menands St. Patrick's Club.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Wording you would like to put on your tree plaque:

In honor of .....

In memory of.....

By the family of .....

Items to be included in the next edition of the Menands Activities dated November 19, 2021, WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE AFTER 9 A.M. Monday, November 15, 2021.