



# The News of MENANDS ACTIVITIES

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## VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

The next Village Board Meeting will be **Monday, April 18, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.** The meeting will be a Hybrid meeting in person and via google meet. All meetings are held at 250 Broadway, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, and are handicap accessible. All are encouraged to attend or submit comments in writing to Clerk Don Handerhan at [handerhand@villageofmenands.com](mailto:handerhand@villageofmenands.com) To attend via google meets – [meet.google.com/mre-txbp-btk](https://meet.google.com/mre-txbp-btk) or by phone (us) +1 617-675-4444 pin: 513 981 040 7213#

## WATER & SEWER BILL PAYMENT REMINDER

If unpaid water and sewer bills are not postmarked prior to May 1, 2022, they will be levied to your Menands Village Tax, payable June 1, 2022. Please call 518-434-2922 if you need your accurate penalty information. Payments without proper penalty will be sent back as no partial or overpayments are acceptable. Bills are still payable online through XpressPay, accessible through <https://villageofmenands.com>

## MENANDS INTERN UPDATE

Hello! I wanted to continue to update the community on *the economic development projects I am working on this spring*. The CGI Digital videographer will be coming to the Village of Menands April 15th to shoot promotional videos advertising Menands as business and community friendly. If you have any location suggestions, please feel free to email me at [intern@villageofmenands.com](mailto:intern@villageofmenands.com). We are also working on implementing more historic signage to better document the rich history within the Village. I have been talking to someone who worked on the Mohawk Towpath Kiosks and researching potential grant opportunities to look into funding for this project. I have also been looking into expanding broadband coverage in the Village. I have attended a webinar and am contacting people at the state level to work on bringing better broadband access to the Village. As always please feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns at [intern@villageofmenands.com](mailto:intern@villageofmenands.com). Thank you! - Isabel

## COVID - 19 TEST KITS

COVID-19 Test Kits are available at the Village Office for Village Residents.

## HELP KEEP OUR COMMUNITY CLEAN

There have been recent complaints of excessive litter within our community. Please do your part to keep our parks and streets clean. Do not litter. If you have items to dispose of, use the trash and recycling receptacles that the village has provided. Thank you.

## CALLING ALL MENANDS ARTISTS!

Want to display &/or sell your work at the summer food truck festival? For more information, email [intern@villageofmenands.com](mailto:intern@villageofmenands.com)

## NOW HIRING

Menands little league is now hiring umpires and concessions stand workers. Please reach out to Karyn Long 518-496-2411 or email her at [klong@cbpp.com](mailto:klong@cbpp.com)

## PARK RESERVATIONS

Due to construction in the Ganser-Smith Park, reservations cannot be made until July 1, 2022.

To reserve the Park between July 1, 2022, and October 31, 2022 (weather permitting), please contact the Village Office at (518) 434-2922 for instructions on reserving the park this year, as they may be different from other years due to the pandemic.

To reserve the park, you must be a resident or business within the Village of Menands. The rental fee is \$50.00 plus \$100.00 deposit (the deposit is refundable if rules and regulations are adhered to). The \$150.00, application and a Certificate of Insurance from your Homeowners, Renters, or business insurance policy (as outlined on reservation application) must be submitted to secure your reservation. Park reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. **Reservations are subject to cancellation or modification in compliance with NYS guidelines**, (with a full refund), to ensure public health and safety. If you 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 held on **May 3, 2022**, in person at the firehouse. Meeting time is 8:00 p.m.

## FISH FRYS

Ahoy Mateys, it is that time again! Menands Fire Company #1 will be serving our world-famous Fish Frys on the following dates: April 8 Cost is \$12.00. See you there!!! Auxiliary Bake Sale at the same time.

## MENANDS FIRE CO. #1, INC AUXILIARY

The next meeting of the Menands Fire Co. #1, Inc. Auxiliary will be held on **April 13, 2022 @ 6:30 pm**. This will be held **IN PERSON** at the village hall.

## 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

Follow us on Facebook for up-to-date changes!

### Teen Services:

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:

Spring Crafts - Stop in and make your own craft with Sherish! We have a rotating schedule of crafts so stop by and join us for a good time!

Story Time - If you are interested in a Story Time, please contact Sherish at the library to arrange a time.

More on the other side.....

### **MENANDS SENIOR CLUB NEWS**

We are happy to announce our new gathering and meeting location is the Village Hall, 250 Broadway, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor (over the firetruck bays), there is an elevator to the right of the front door

Beginning March 3, 2022, 9:30 a. m. with chair yoga led by Genii, followed by refreshments with Paul and Dave, mahjong, five card bingo, needlepoint, and conversation. Old and New Members are always welcome. You need to be fully vaccinated.

Debbie Teitsch has 2022 membership cards and is happy to accept applications for renewals and new memberships. If you need to renew by mail, Debbie's address is 3 Cornell Drive, Menands, N.Y. 12204. Don't forget to enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. Dawn Primett will handle receipts and disbursements. At this time, all Senior planned trips remain as originally scheduled.

### **MENANDS SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The next Board of Education meeting has been scheduled for **Wednesday, April 27, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.** The meeting will be conducted in person.

### **KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

2022-2023 Menands School Kindergarten registration is now open. Our registration packet can be found through the Student Registration link on our website [www.menands.org](http://www.menands.org) You may also request a copy to be mailed to your home. When you have completed the packet, please schedule a registration appointment by contacting Liz Mentipty by email at [LMENTIPLY@Menands.org](mailto:LMENTIPLY@Menands.org) or by phone at 518-465-4561 EXT. 118

### **A GREAT CAUSE**

One of Menands' own, Jenna LaFleur, is running the 2022 Boston Marathon as part of the Dana-Farber team. Every cent raised for her run goes to cancer research at Dana-Farber, and all donations are 100% tax deductible. To contribute to a great cause, please visit <https://bit.ly/jlafleurDFMC> to learn more, email: [lafleurjenna99@gmail.com](mailto:lafleurjenna99@gmail.com) or visit [danafarber.jimmyfund.org](http://danafarber.jimmyfund.org). Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your generosity! - Christa LaFleur

### **MENANDS STORY WALK™**

The Menands School Story Walk™ Club is pleased to announce the next installment on the Menands Story Walk™! *Hike*, by Pete Oswald, is now available for your viewing and reading pleasure, on the Purple Trail of the Sage Estates Nature Trail. Get out and enjoy a walk and a good book! Thank you to the Menands PBA for donating this title; the Upper Hudson Library System for preparing the book for display; to the Menands School Story Walk™ Club and their advisors for assisting with the preparation and creating promotional materials; to Mike Hagmann and the Village DPW for installing the pages in the kiosk; and the continued support of the Village of Menands Board and Trustees and the Village Library for partnering on this community wide initiative! This latest title will remain available at least through the end of February. We will let you know when our next title, *The Lion and the Mouse*, by Jerry Pinkney will be installed.

If you are interested in donating to support one of the titles selected for a future installation, please contact Laura Cernik at the Menands Public Library for more information. She can be reached at 518-463-4035 or via email: [director@menandslibrary.org](mailto:director@menandslibrary.org)

Items to be included in the next edition of the Menands Activities dated April 22, 2022, WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE AFTER 9 A.M. Monday, April 18, 2022.
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