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# MENANDS MONTHLY

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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

- Thanks to our residents in Menands' South End for their cooperation and patience as we work through the Water and Sewer upgrades. We understand it is disruptive, but it will be worth the effort when completed. The project is on a brief winter break. A schedule for this spring 2026 will be posted as we get into the new year and see what the weather looks like. [Menandsny.gov/southendproject](http://Menandsny.gov/southendproject)
- As we turn the page on 2025, I sincerely hope everyone had a happy, healthy holiday season.
- 2026 will be a year of progress in Menands. Here is a list of some of the projects we are currently working on: [Menandsny.gov/government/mayor/whats-up](http://Menandsny.gov/government/mayor/whats-up)



## WINTER WEATHER

With the cold winter months upon us, we encourage everyone to check in on our elderly neighbors or anyone who may need a helping hand. If you notice someone in need of assistance, don't hesitate to contact the Menands Police at 518-463-1681 or call 911 in an emergency. Together, we can keep our elder community safe and cared for this winter.



## HOLIDAY TRAIN

The 2025 CPKC Holiday Train made a special stop in the Village of Menands on Tuesday, November 25, raising money, food, and awareness in support of the Menands School Food Pantry and the Sacred Heart Food Pantry. CPKC generously donated \$3,000 to the Sacred Heart Food Pantry. Guests attending the event contributed nearly \$1,000 and filled a trailer with nonperishable food items, which were shared between the Menands School Food Pantry and the Sacred Heart Food Pantry. The Village of Menands warmly thanks the Menands Police, Menands Fire Department, Menands Auxiliary, Menands DPW, Watervliet Police, Albany County Sheriff's Office, Kasselmann Electric, and everyone who attended and contributed. Your support and participation made this event an incredible success, and we are proud to celebrate the spirit of our community together!



## SEASONAL LEAF COLLECTION

The early snowstorm cut our leaf collection season short. DPW will take bagged leaves each Friday with weekly yard waste collection. We will bring the leaf vacuum out THIS SPRING 2026 to collect leaves and will provide advance notification via the Everbridge communication system. To register for Everbridge alerts, please get in touch with the Village Office or register at MenandsNY.gov.

## MENANDS DPW

Menands DPW is asking for your help with the following:

- Trash and recycling **MUST** be out by 7 AM.
- **Prohibited Items – We will not take:** Wet paint (dry or absorb with cat litter first), TVs, computer monitors, medical waste, propane tanks, tires, and ANY contractor/renovation materials (private contractors must dispose of these materials).
- While clearing your driveway or sidewalk of snow, **DO NOT** put the snow back into the street.
- Yard waste must be in compostable bags, barrels, and limbs cut to a reasonable size (4ft) to fit in the DPW truck.
- If there is a fire hydrant near your home, if possible, please clear it of snow. Be a hydrant hero!

## VILLAGE OF MENANDS HISTORIAN

Kevin Franklin, the Village of Menands Historian, now has an office located on the second floor of 250 Broadway. If you would like to schedule an appointment to meet with Kevin, he can be reached at [historian@menandsny.gov](mailto:historian@menandsny.gov). Kevin is a tremendous resource and a wealth of knowledge on the history of both the Village of Menands and the Town of Colonie.



## SOUTH END WATER SEWER PROJECT

The South End Water and Sewer Infrastructure upgrade project is taking a short winter break and will resume in the spring of 2026 to complete all work within 18 months. We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience caused by water main breaks during the project— these were unfortunately unavoidable. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we work to improve our Village's infrastructure for future generations of residents.

## VILLAGE WATER AND SEWER BILL REMINDER

Village water and sewer bills are due without penalty by February 16, 2026. Please remember that homeowners are responsible for all Village bills and for ensuring timely payment, even if a bill is delayed or lost in the mail. Payments received after February 16 must include a 10% penalty. Payments received in envelopes not postmarked on or before 2/16 will not be accepted without the required penalty and will be returned. Payments can be made through Xpress-Pay, by mailing a check, or in person at the Village Office. Pay online at [MenandsNY.gov](http://MenandsNY.gov)

If you need to verify the current amount due, please get in touch with the Village Office at 518-434-2922.



## 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 |



## MENANDS MONTHLY EDITOR

Jason Carnegie, who will begin as Menands Communications Manager, will also serve as the new Editor of the Menands Monthly. Items to be included in the next edition of the Menands Monthly, please email Jason Carnegie at [jcarnegie@menandsny.gov](mailto:jcarnegie@menandsny.gov) before the 7th of each month. His responsibilities will link all Village social media content, notifications, and website content together.

## CONGRATULATIONS SUSAN HANDERHAN

The Village of Menands proudly congratulates Susan Handerhan on her induction into the New York State Special Olympics Hall of Fame. Her many years of dedication, guidance, and support as a coach have inspired countless athletes and enriched the Special Olympics community. She is an inspiration to all!

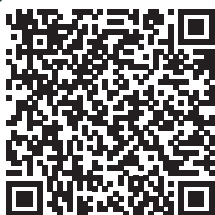
## CONGRATULATIONS SETH HARRIS

Congratulations to Seth Harris for winning the Susan V. Siegel Community Service Leader Award from the Sunmark Charitable Community Foundation. He earned this award for the notable partnership he forged among the Village of Menands, Menands School, and Menands Public Library while a Village Trustee to construct and maintain the "Story Walk" on the Sage Estate trails. To learn more about the Sage Estate trails, visit <https://menandsny.gov/sage-estates-trail/>

## THANK YOU, SHEILA HYATT!

Sheila Hyatt has retired as Editor of the Menands Activities and Menands Monthly after 19 years of dedicated service. Sheila Hyatt personally copied, folded, stuffed, and stamped more than 1,200 envelopes for each mailing. Over her 19 years of service, she has mailed out over 580,000 copies of the Menands Activities, ensuring timely communication for our residents. On behalf of the Village of Menands, we thank her and hope that she enjoys her retirement.

**SCHOOL  
CALENDAR**



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# JANUARY 2026

## MENANDS ACTIVITIES

| SUNDAY    | MONDAY   | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY   | SATURDAY  |
|-----------|--|---|--|--|--|-----------|
|           |  |   |  | <b>01</b><br><b>NEW YEARS DAY</b><br><b>VILLAGE AND</b><br><b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>            | <b>02</b><br><b>LEAF / BRUSH</b><br>School Closed                              | <b>03</b> |
| <b>04</b> | <b>05</b><br><b>REGULAR TRASH</b><br>6pm Village Board Meeting<br>7pm Fire Dept Drill Night  | <b>06</b><br><b>REGULAR TRASH</b><br>7pm Fire Company Meeting                   | <b>07</b><br><b>SPECIAL PICK UP</b>                              | <b>08</b><br><b>RECYCLING</b><br>9am Seniors   | <b>09</b><br><b>LEAF / BRUSH</b>   | <b>10</b> |
| <b>11</b> | <b>12</b><br><b>REGULAR TRASH</b><br>7pm Fire Dept Drill Night   | <b>13</b><br><b>REGULAR TRASH</b><br>PTA Meeting                                | <b>14</b><br><b>SPECIAL PICK UP</b><br>6:30pm Auxaullary Meeting | <b>15</b><br><b>RECYCLING</b><br>9am Seniors   | <b>16</b><br><b>LEAF / BRUSH</b>   | <b>17</b> |
| <b>18</b> | <b>19</b><br>Village and School Closed<br>MLK Day<br>7pm Fire Dept Drill Night   | <b>20</b><br><b>REGULAR TRASH</b><br>6pm Village Board Meeting                  | <b>21</b><br><b>REGULAR TRASH</b>                                | <b>22</b><br><b>RECYCLING</b><br>9am Seniors   | <b>23</b><br><b>LEAF / BRUSH</b>   | <b>24</b> |
| <b>25</b> | <b>26</b><br><b>REGULAR TRASH</b><br>8th Grade - High School<br>Transition week<br>6:30 Library Board Meeting<br>7pm Fire Dept Drill Night | <b>27</b><br><b>REGULAR TRASH</b><br>8th Grade - High School<br>Transition week | <b>28</b><br>8th Grade - High School<br>Transition week          | <b>29</b><br><b>RECYCLING</b><br>8th Grade - High School<br>Transition week<br>9am Seniors | <b>30</b><br><b>LEAF / BRUSH</b><br>8th Grade - High School<br>Transition week | <b>31</b> |