

# The Mendham Messenger

December 2018

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## Mayor's Update

Dear Resident and Business Owner,

After 18 years of serving you on our municipal governing body, twelve as your Mayor, this will be my last article for the Mendham Messenger as my term ends at the end of December.

I have written 150 monthly articles for the Messenger and have received positive feedback from most of our residents who thanked me for writing monthly articles which were designed to keep our residents up to date on all of the issues within our community.

While the job as Mayor came with some challenges, I've enjoyed serving you. We've accomplished much during my time as elected official. One of the most notable achievements was the expansion of our historic district which was first established in 2000. Our Borough has a significant amount of history within its boundaries and we as elected officials tried hard to maintain that ambiance through our Historic Preservation Commission. As most of you may know by now, the owners of the Black Horse Tavern and Pub have filed an application to renovate certain parts of that property. This application has been reviewed by the Historic Preservation Commission and, as of this writing, the remaining issues to be addressed are the color of the buildings along with roofing material. Before I leave office, I will meet with members of the administration and representatives of the Black Horse to determine if we can come to a consensus on these two issues in order to preserve the historical buildings at the main intersection of the Borough.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Mayor-Elect Christine Serrano-Glassner who will begin her term as our Mayor on January 1, 2019. Chris worked hard to get elected and there is no doubt in my mind that she will serve us well as she guides the borough through the many issues which will come up during the next four years. Also, congratulations to Steve Andrew and Brennan Reilly for their victories in November's race for Borough Council.

As the year comes to an end, I would like to recognize Ms. Penny Andrus who will be retiring after working for the Borough for the last twenty-five years. Penny has worked tirelessly as an administrative assistant in the Department of Police and as an administrative assistant in the Bowers Building where she assisted the Department of Recreation, Tax Assessment and Board of Health. I know that our residents will miss the service Penny provided to all members of the public when they visited police headquarters and the Bowers Building. Please join me in wishing Penny the best of luck in her retirement.

Well that's a wrap, folks. I look forward to spending more evenings at home relaxing with family as well as shopping in Kings, dining at the Pub and walking through our neighborhoods as a private citizen and allowing a new Mayor to pick up where I left off.

Thank you all for your support over the years.

Sincerely,

Neil Henry, Mayor

## Holly Trail

The Mendham  
Business Association  
and Recreation



Department will once again sponsor the Holly Trail on Wednesday, December 1. It is a time when businesses give back to the community and have events in their stores to thank everyone for shopping locally. Please see all events on [www.mendhambusiness.com](http://www.mendhambusiness.com) and on the town's website. The Mendham Business Association also purchased Christmas/Holiday banners which will be hung on Main Street, as well as wreaths that hang on the four corners in town and decorate the gazebo and Christmas tree for the tree lighting. The Recreation Department will serve hot chocolate and doughnuts and the Mountain View School Chorus and Band will sing and play at the tree lighting at 4 pm.



Mendham Borough  
LIBRARY

# News from the Mendham Borough Library

10 Hilltop Road 973-543-4152 [www.mendhamboroughlibrary.org](http://www.mendhamboroughlibrary.org)

## For Kids in December

*Programs are for all ages unless otherwise noted.  
Space is limited and sign-ups are a must.*

### Toddler Sing-Along

Mondays @ 10:30 am

Join Mr. Ryan and friends for singing, dancing, games and a craft for ages birth to 5.

### Crafternoon

Mondays @ 3:30 pm

A program which encourages creative expression.

### Lego Club

Tuesdays @ 3:30 pm

### Baby Playtime

Fridays @ 10:30 am

### Fun & Games

Fridays @ 3:30 pm

### Homework Helper Program

Thursdays @ 3:30 pm

Register to become a pupil or tutor for this after-school tutoring program. Call the library for more information.

### Holly Trail Crafternoon

Saturday, December 1st @ 10 am–2 pm

Come in from the cold for some holiday cheer, crafts and festive films. Our library will be a favorite stop this year on Mendham Borough's Holly Trail.

### Jewelry Workshop

Thursday, December 6th @ 3:30 pm

Necklaces, bracelets, and Perler Bead creations. There's nothing you can't craft at Jewelry Workshop. Registration required. Open to children of all ages.

### Family Gingerbread Workshop

Monday, Dec. 10th @ Session 1, 5:30–6:30 pm and Session 2, 7:00–8:00 pm

In this special Edible Art event families will come together to build and decorate a beautiful and delicious gingerbread home. Space is extremely limited. Registration is required.



### Night Before Christmas Story Time

Thursday, Dec. 13th @ 3:30 pm

Join us for this very special holiday Story Time. We'll be reading this holiday classic and making arts and crafts together. All ages.

### 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Graduation

Saturday, December 15th @ 10:30 am

### Holiday Pizza Party

Friday, December 21st @ 3:30 pm

Celebrate the holidays and ring in the new year with a super fun pizza party at the library. Play games, make friends, and enjoy some delicious refreshments. Open to all ages. Registration required

### Adult Programs in December

#### **\*NEW\* Weekly Knitting Advice**

Fridays @ 10 - 12 pm

Need some help with a knitting project? Drop in and get some advice and help with our knitting advisor Marge Nyquist.

### Glass Painting for the Holidays

Wednesday, December 5th at 6:30 pm

You bring the glassware (wine glass or vase). We provide the paint and instruction. Fun night out with friends. Refreshments will be served. Program is limited to Adults 21+.



### Annual Hilltop Christmas Concert - December 16th

Hilltop Presbyterian Church will present its Annual Christmas Concert on Sunday afternoon, December 16, 2018 at 4:00 pm in the sanctuary. Adults: \$15, students: \$10.

This concert has been a full house in the past, so don't delay! Call the church office for more information at [973-543-4012](tel:973-543-4012) ext 10.

## New Books & DVDs

### Fiction

A Christmas Revelation	Perry, Anne
A Well Behaved Woman	Fowler, Therese Anne
An Irish Country Cottage	Taylor, Patrick
Bring Me Back	Paris, B.A.
Christmas on the Island	Colgan, Jenny
Crazy Rich Asians	Kwan, Kevin
Dark, Sacred Night	Connelly, Michael
Deck the Hounds	Rosenfelt, David
Desperate Measures	Woods, Stuart
Evergreen Tidings from the Baumgartners	Anthony, Gretchen
Every Breath	Sparks, Nicholas
Family Trust	Wang, Kathy
Heads You Win	Archer, Jeffrey
Lethal White	Galbraith, Robert
Look Alive Twenty Five	Evanovich, Janet
Night of Miracles	Berg, Elizabeth
Nine Perfect Strangers	Moriarty, Liane
Past Tense	Child, Lee
Pulse	Harvey, Michael
Sea of Greed	Cussler, Clive
Shell Game	Paretsky, Sara
Target	Patterson, James
The Alice Network	Quinn, Kate
The Colors of All The Cattle	McCall Smith, Alexander
The Couple Next Door	LaPena, Shari
The Craftsman	Bolton, Sharon
The Lighthouse Keeper's Daughter	Gaynor, Hazel
The Rain Watcher	DeRosnay, Tatiana
The Reckoning	Grisham, John
The Three Beths	Abbott, Jeff
The Witch Elm	French, Tana
Tony's Wife	Trigiani, Adriana
Unsheltered	Kingsolver, Barbara
Vendetta	Johansen, Iris
Where the Crawdads Sing	Owens, Delia
You Don't Own Me	Clark, Mary Higgins

### Non-Fiction

Becoming	Obama, Michelle
Brief Answers to Big Questions	Hawking, Stephen
Cook Like a Pro	Garten, Ina
Every Day Is Extra	Kerry, John
Find the Best Colleges for You	U.S. News
Girl, Wash Your Face	Hollis, Rachel
In the Hurricane's Eye	Philbrick, Nathaniel
Journeys of a Lifetime	National Geographic
Killing the SS	O'Reilly, Bill
Leadership in Turbulent Times	Goodwin, Doris Kearns
On Boards	Bolton, Lisa Down
Presidents of War	Beschloss, Michael
Surviving Mass Victim Attacks	Jackson, Gary M, PhD
The Fifth Risk	Lewis, Michael
The Husband Hunters	DeCourcy, Anne
The Library Book	Orlean, Susan
The White Darkness	Grann, David
This Will Only Hurt a Little	Phillips, Busy

### Large Print

Alaskan Holiday	Macomber, Debbie
Christmas on the Island	Colgan, Jenny
Dark Sacred Night	Connelly, Michael
Holy Ghost	Sandford, John
Past Tense	Child, Lee
Unsheltered	Kingsolver, Barbara

### DVD's

Call The Midwife Season 5, 6 & 7  
Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again  
Mission: Impossible - Fallout  
Solo: A Star Wars Story

### Cloud Library App

Check out our new e-books on the Cloud Library. A Holiday Romance shelf has been added for the holidays. Download the Cloud Library App today. Call the library with any questions.



**\*\* Library Holiday Hours \*\***  
**Closed December 24th, 25th,**  
**26th and January 1st**  
**December 31st 10 am–1 pm**

## **Borough Calendar for December 2018**

**Holly Trail, Tree Lighting and Holiday Concert** -  
Saturday, December 1st

**Curbside Bulk Pickup** - Monday, December 3, 10 & 17

**Recycle** - Thursdays, December 6 & 20

**Borough Council Meetings** - at the Garabrant Center,  
8 pm on Thursday, December 6 & 20

**Board of Adjustment** - at the Garabrant Center,  
7:30 pm on Tuesday, December 4

**Board of Health** - at the Bowers Building  
7:00 pm on Wednesday, December 5

**Environmental Commission** - at the Phoenix House,  
7:30 pm on Thursday, December 20

**Historic Preservation Commission** - at the Phoenix  
House, 7:30 pm on Monday, December 17

**Planning Board Meeting** - at the Garabrant Center,  
7:30 pm on Monday, December 10

**Recreation Meeting** - at the Black Horse Tavern, 1  
West Main Street, 7:30 pm on Wednesday,  
December 12

## **"Where is Santa"?**

As part of the Holly Trail the Mendham Business Association will once again sponsor "Where is Santa". This year the children will have more time to collect signatures. We invite all children to participate. Please pick up a form at Mendham Jewelers. The children are invited to go into the participating locations and Mendham Borough Library to find Santa. If they find Santa, someone at the location will sign their paper. After they get all the signatures please return them to Mendham Jewelers. One winner will be picked in a drawing and receive \$100 in Mendham Money. Starts Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> until Saturday, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>.



## **Radon Test Kits Available for Purchase**

The Mendham Borough Board of Health is again selling radon tests kits. They are available at the Bowers Building at 6 West Main Street in the Borough. The cost is \$10. The directions are very simple and self-explanatory. Please come in and purchase a kit. We are open from 9:00am to 4:30 every week day.