



# THE MENDHAM MESSENGER

**The Newsletter for Mendham Borough**

**June 2024**

## Letter From the Mayor

### **Dear Mendham Borough Residents and Businesses,**

I believe this was one of the most colorful Springs I can ever remember. One blooming tree after the other was full of blossoms and showed off Mendham's beauty in full force. Our Spring photo contest concluded on May 24th. We will blast out a picture of the winner when selected. Don't let that stop you from sending in your beautiful pictures of Mendham. Keep them coming! We are always looking for new shots to add to our website.

A very special congratulations to all of our students who are moving up or graduating! Now it's time to start summer.

### **Banner Approval Process**

A resident recently asked me how one gets permission to have a banner hung across Main Street. Great question.

1. First and foremost, since Main Street is a County road, you need an approval letter from the County Board of Commissioners. You will submit a request to the Deputy Clerk of the Board of Commissioners.
2. Once approval is received, go to our website and fill out the banner request form and please send into our Acting Clerk.
3. This must be submitted with a picture and description of the banner.
4. Banners will be limited in size by 2 ½ feet high by 8 to 16 feet width.
5. If the date requested is available, the item will be placed on the agenda of the next meeting and approved by the Borough Council.
6. After approval it is your obligation to get the banner to our Department of Public Works a week in advance of your banner display date.

You may only request to hang a banner if you are a Not-For-Profit, or an organization approved by Mendham Borough. Commercial banners are prohibited.

Since the banner dates fill up quickly, it's best to get your request in early in the year. There is never a guarantee of approval due to volume.

### **Pet Licenses**

What happened to my letter? In the past, our Clerk's office has sent out letters reminding pet owners when their license

renewal was due. With fewer staff we must modernize and streamline our operations. Towards that end, we are now fully online with pet license applications and renewal. To apply for a pet license, you simply visit our website and look for the SDL portal. Go to Department and Services at the top of the page and click the first link for Animal Control and Pet Licensing. All the instructions are right there for you to license your pet or fill out a renewal. The best part is no more paper, because we will now follow up via email annually when your license is due for renewal.

### **Looking to Volunteer in Town?**

Towns like Mendham Borough maintain their beauty and small town feel from a host of residents who contribute their time. Believe it or not, this helps us keep our costs down, which helps keep taxes as low as possible. You can help by volunteering your time or expertise. We have plenty of local town organizations that need your help.

Our **First Aid Squad** and **Fire Departments** are all volunteer-run (and we thank you so much for all you do to keep our community safe). They are always in need of help to provide for our residents. Some of their roles require training and certifications, but some are simple and could be based on your own professional skill set.

It's a perfect time of year to volunteer for our **Mendham Garden Club** and get your hands dirty keeping our gardens lush in the summer and our Phoenix House adorned with wreaths in the winter.

Our **Mendham Seniors Club** is always looking for speakers to come to their meetings. They love to hear about what people do for a living, services they can access to improve their lives, or learn about someone's passion or hobby.

Lastly, we host events throughout the year and we could always use extra hands on the day of the event. We will put out email notices in advance.

### **Coming up...**

Start your student's summer of fun by registering for the Mendham Borough Day Camp! You can find the details on our home page.

That's it for this issue. Remember to wear your sunblock!

Sincerely yours,

Christine Serrano Glassner  
Mayor

Dear Neighbor,

Mendham Borough Library plays a very important role for the people in our town. Donations last year allowed us to increase programs and events and continue to purchase more bestselling books, digital e-books and audio-books. We hope that you will support our Library this year.

Financial support is vital for our Library to operate as we are an Association Library which does not receive a set percentage of tax dollars. While Mendham Borough funds a portion of our operating budget, we must rely heavily on philanthropic contributions.

We are proud to tell you that we accomplished a great



deal in 2023. We completed our Outdoor Learning Center which provides beautiful outdoor space for people to use and enjoy. Last year,

our Library hosted over 900 programs with over 12,000 people in attendance. We added an Adult Coloring Club and a Postpartum Moms series to expand our services to our community. This year, we will strive to continue to bring you more fantastic programs and provide you with the most current library materials.

You are an important member of our community and your support is crucial to us. To donate, scan the QR code here, visit us at mendhamboroughlibrary.org, or mail us at 10 Hilltop Road, Mendham, NJ 07945. Checks may be made payable to Mendham Borough Library.



From all of us at the Library, we thank you for your consideration.

Tricia Munley  
President, Board of Trustees

Trish Hall  
Director

June Adult Programs

**Art in the Park: Summer Paint & Sip**  
*Wednesday, June 5, 6:00 p.m.*

Join us in our new outdoor patio for our first Art in the Park Paint & Sip with artist Lynne Tenten. Enjoy a glass of wine and learn to paint a beautiful summer lighthouse.



\$5 registration fee required to attend. Please register online and then pay in the library. This program is possible thanks to a grant from Morris Arts.

Adult Summer Reading

**June 3—August 30**

Register online or in person at the library to join our summer reading challenge and get a book bag! Start reading and receive a raffle ticket for each library book you listen to or read. Prizes will be drawn at the end of each month in June, July and August. Join the fun this summer and earn raffle tickets to win some fun prizes!

Monthly Programs

**Yoga via Zoom**

*Tuesdays and Thursdays*  
**8:30 a.m.**

\$5 per class.

Sign up by the month at the library.

**Social Bridge**

*Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m.*  
**(Closed June 19)**

For experienced players.

**Canasta**

*Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.*

For experienced players.

**In Stitches**

Knitting Group

*Fridays, June 14 & 28, 1:00 p.m.*

All levels welcome!

**Coloring Club**

*Monday, June 17, 6:30 p.m.*

Join us for a fun drink and creative coloring with friends!

**Book Club**

*Friday, June 28, 10:00 a.m.*

*She's Come Undone*  
by Wally Lamb

The Library will be closed on  
Wednesday, June 19.

Save the Date!

**Saturday, September 28**  
**for**  
**Mendham Borough Library's**  
**Fall Fundraiser!**

## June Children's Programs

### **Toddler Sing-Along**

*Mondays, June 3, 10, 17, 24, 10:30 a.m.*

Join us for some fun songs!

### **Babies and Books**

*Fridays, June 7, 14, 21, 28, 10:30 a.m.*

Join us for a story, nursery rhymes, and playtime.

### **Lego Club (5+)**

*Tuesday, June 4, 4:00 p.m.*

We'll bring the Legos. You bring your imagination!

### **Paint a Tote Bag (5+)**

*Tuesday, June 11, 3:00 p.m.*

Paint a tote bag at the library!

### **Drop-in Scavenger Hunt**

*Wednesday, June 12, 5:00–7:00 p.m.*

Find everything on your list and win a prize.



### **Read to a Dog**

*Monday, June 17,  
4:00 p.m.*

Build reading confidence with a new furry friend.



### **Touch A Truck**

*Tuesday, June 18,  
12:30–2:00 p.m.*

Check out our awesome Mendham DPW vehicles and Mendham firetrucks!! Ice pops will be served, and every family will go home with a free book courtesy of Mendham Borough Clean Communities.

### **Zoophoria**

*Wednesday, June 26, 2:00 & 2:30 p.m.*

*At Brookside Community Club*

Meet amazing live animals as we learn how to protect our environment to keep them safe!

### **Sunshine and Good Times Music Show (All Ages!)**

*Thursday, June 27, 4:00 p.m.*

Sponsored by Mendham Borough Clean Communities

Come boogie and sing with us and special musical guest, Ron Albanese. We'll learn a bit about keeping our community clean while enjoying our beautiful new outside space!!



## Summer Reading is Here!

### **Adventure Buddies**

*June 10—August 25*

Adopt a Rubber Duck Adventure Buddy when signing up for summer reading. Share photos of your duck on adventures all summer with us, by emailing them to [ys-mnb@mnb.mainlib.org](mailto:ys-mnb@mnb.mainlib.org) or by sharing them on Instagram and tagging us (@mnblibrary) to earn a chance to win an amazing prize!!! Each photo earns you a chance to win (Limit 25 chances per person). \*Photos shared may be used on our social media or in our newsletter\*

### **Kids Summer Reading Program (ages 11 and under)**

*June 16—August 3*

Register, pick up a log from the library, and keep track of your reading to win great prizes.

Last day for entries is **Wednesday, August 7.**

### **Teen Summer Reading Program (ages 12-18)**

*June 6—August 25*

Earn an entry for each book you read, for a chance to win a gift card to Mendham Creamery or Chapter One Bookstore.

Enter your books online through the link on our website or come in and grab a bookmark with the QR Code to log your reading all summer!

## Did You Know?

When you're planning your summer fun, don't forget that Mendham Borough Library has **free** museum passes available to check out. Call the library to reserve a great day out for the family! Passes are for Mendham residents only.

**Cooper Grist Mill  
Fosterfields Living Historical Farm  
Historic Speedwell  
Morris Museum  
The Stickley Museum  
Storm King Art Center**



## Fletcher Gallery

In the months of June and July, the Fletcher Gallery will feature artwork on loan from the Morris County Artists Network. Morris County Artists Network is a Mendham-

based "booster club" for the fellowship of visual artists in Morris County, NJ. This month's gallery centers around the theme of "Inside."

## This Month's Kindle Books:

Check out a Kindle for two weeks and read current bestsellers—great new books are added each month!

*Camino Ghosts* by John Grisham

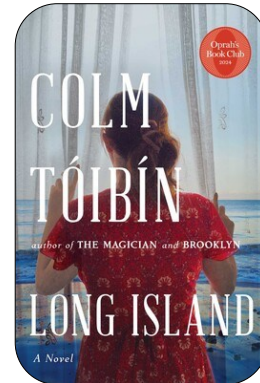
*Just for the Summer* by Abby Jimenez

*Long Island* by Colm Toibin

*One Perfect Couple* by Ruth Ware

*Think Twice* by Harlan Coben

Non Fiction: *The Demon of Unrest* by Erik Larson



## Coming Up

Monday, July 8, 4:00 p.m.—Planted Pals (3+)

Tuesday, July 9, 6:30 p.m.—Sound Bath (Adults)

Wednesday, July 10, 3:00 p.m.—Rock Painting (5+)

Wednesday, July 17, 4:00 p.m.—“The Great Reading Adventure” Magic Show  
at St. Marks Church (all ages)

Thursday, July 18, 4:00 p.m.— Sewing Workshop: Water Bottle Holders (7+)

Monday, July 22, 3:00 p.m.—Collage Tile Coasters (7+)

Wednesday, July 24, 4:00 p.m. - Kids Painting Workshop (5+)

Wednesday, July 31, 6:00 p.m.—Summer Family Bingo (all ages)

Thursday, Aug 1, 4:00 p.m.—Pokémon Card Trading

Thursday, August 1, 7:00 p.m.—Travel with Chris McCormack (Adults)

Book Club is on hiatus for July and August.



# Congratulations to Our Mendham Boro 2024 Graduates!



## Hilltop Elementary School

Soren Apgar; Port Arroyo; Ernesto Ayala; Marie Balsky; Mia Barone; Trey Best; Benjamin Boulton; Elliott Brooks; Thomas "TJ" Bulwith; Erin Connolly; Zara D'Aquanni; Olivia Desmond; Edmund Duffy; Theodore "Teddy" Edelman; Christopher Gleason; Kendra Gomez Mejia; Pdraig Gregory; Martim Guimaraes; Catherine "Kate" Gulley; Rian Herson; Oren Herson; John Klemm; Evan Koulouris; Jackson Kuo; Miles Lusk; Kayleigh Lynch; Matthew MacCarter; William Morton; Arden Mueller; Thomas Mullany; Parker Murphy; Henry Neigel; Rose Ogoff; Aaryav Patel; Elliott Pittenger; Ford Reilly; Natalie Rice; Parker Roth; Mia Simpson; Eva Solano-Bermudez; Sophia Palmeri; Brad Sorge; Teresa "Tess" Tuthill; Lucas Vazquez; Oliver Wynne; Jackson Zaccone

## Mountain View Middle School

Sidney Adams; Patrick Adinolfi; Simon Albert; Lucas Antoniello; Michaella Blum; Carly Butler; Reece Cantafio; Arianna Carrero; Fiona Carty; Brandon Catalini; Jacob Caulfield; Dominick Cerchio; Blake Charlesworth; Maxwell Cirillo; Alan Curtil; Ella D'Aquanni; Tyler D'Avi; Rayan Echariti; Mallory Fisher; Sarah Fourie; Khloe Garbacz; Beckett Geller; Dylan Geller; Madison Gillard; Gavin Gilleece; Clayton Gladhill; Mara Goldstein; Benjamin Harrelson; Jackson Idle; Nayaab Khan; Hadley Locke; Abigail MacCarter; Veda Mathur; Emma Maurer; Patrick McChesney; Luke Merklinger; Audrey Morris; William Morris; London Morton; Isla Muir; Connor Mullany; Keira Mullee; Michael Nakaseko; Kaitlyn Niemczyk; Nathaniel Perkins; Matthew Pini; Aaron Pit; Ella Pit; Luke Simonsen; Laksh Singhi; Amanda Sorge; Colette Strange; Zoe Valianatos; Michael Vitebsky; Mark Walsh; Christopher Waters; Allen Wu

## West Morris Mendham High School

Abigail Esther Acevedo; Maria Sari Arroyo; Alexandra Lynn Bayer; Aleksey Bouniatian; David Seth Braun; Tristan John Caminiti; Griffin Steven Coutts; Charlotte J Fourie; Victor Gilloteau; Mary Jacqueline Hall; Rachel Elizabeth Havey; Daniel Presley Jamer; Esteban Jiménez Álvarez; Owen Yung-Tsang Kilmer; Josiah Hamilton Kraft; Anthony J Louka; Lily Anna Lowe; Alexa Reese Minhas; Brennan O'Reilly Nutt; Elizabeth Bechtel Parker; Avery Kate Parrinello; Cole Ryan Payne; Adeline Grace Perkins; Gabriella Marie Petrucci; Shayna Lee Petrucci; Robert Meese Raimondo; Ryan Arnow Raimondo; Raaghav Nukala Reddy; Caitlin Grace Rooney; Julia Ann Schoenbrodt; Alessandro Vazquez Sesmo; Anna Kaylie Simonsen; Anmol Singhi; Danica Lynn Sorge; Nunzio Francis Sullivan; Evelyn A Telloni; Peter Edward Thomas; Tyler A Vitebsky; Zadie Leigh Weaver; Andrew William Zaybekian

## Borough of Mendham Police Department Achieves Prestigious 3rd Accreditation Award



Congratulations to the Borough of Mendham Police Department for successfully completing Re-Accreditation through the New

Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police and the New Jersey Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission.

The New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police and the New Jersey Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission congratulated Chief John Camoia, Accreditation Manager Sergeant Brian Hostler, the members of the Mendham Borough Police Department, the Mayor, the Council, and those citizens they so proudly serve, for achieving the Police Department's third re-accreditation, joining a very exclusive group of law enforcement agencies that have made this important commitment to excellence in policing. Only 8% of Police Departments achieve their 3rd re-accreditation. The Department achieved accreditation in June 2016 and is accredited until 2027. Chief Harry Delgado, the Accreditation Program Director, presented the Accreditation Award and applauded the Department and the Borough on attaining this significant achievement.

The Accreditation Program is purposefully designed to enhance professionalism and transparency in the state's public safety system.

### A Message from the Mendham Borough Fire Prevention Department

Summer is almost upon us! Here are some tips for keeping it fire-safe.

**Make sure your gas grill is working properly.** Leaks or breaks are primarily a problem with gas grills. Check the gas tank hose for leaks before using it for the first time each year.

**Never leave equipment unattended.** For campfires, fire pits, and chimineas, always have a hose, bucket



of water, or shovel and dirt or sand nearby, and make sure the fire is completely out before going to sleep or leaving the area.

**Keep equipment a safe distance from things that can burn.** Place

your grill well away (at least 3 feet) from anything that can burn, including deck railings and overhanging branches. Also, keep them out from under eaves.

**Use fuel and fire starters properly.** If you use a starter fluid to ignite charcoals, use only charcoal starter fluid. Never use gasoline or other flammable or combustible liquids on firepits, chimineas, or campfires.

**If a fire breaks out, call 911!** For any type of outdoor fire that can't be quickly and effectively extinguished, call the fire department immediately for assistance.

### Facilities Reservations



Did you know that Mendham Borough has several facilities that Borough residents may book for sports or private events? For information and application forms, visit [www.mendhamnj.org](http://www.mendhamnj.org) and click on Departments & Services/Recreation Programs/Sport Field, Court & Facility Reservation.

- ◆ Baseball Doubleday Field » Borough Park Gazebo Area
- ◆ Elliott Baseball Field with Scoreboard » Borough Park Upper Area
- ◆ Lenape Field » Borough Park Lower Area
- ◆ First Responders Soccer Turf Fields 1 & 2 » Borough Park Fire Station Area
- ◆ Tennis Courts 1 & 2 » Borough Park Orchard St. Entrance

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MENDHAM BOROUGH RECREATION PRESENTS

# SUNDAY SUMMER

# CONCERT

IN THE PARK

6:30-8PM

Borough Park Gazebo • 19 Mountain Ave



**'60'S**

**June 23**

*Rain date July 7*



**ROCK/BLUES**

**June 30**

*Rain date July 7*



**CLASSIC ROCK**

**June 21**

*Rain date Aug 4*



**BEATLES**

**July 28**



Co-sponsored by LEAD (Law Enforcement Against Drugs)

## Borough Events in June 2024

**Borough Meetings:** held at the Garabrant Center unless otherwise indicated.

**Council:** 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 12;  
7 p.m. Monday, June 24

**ECOSST:** 7:30 p.m. Monday, June 5

**Historic Preservation Commission:** 7:30 p.m.  
Monday, June 17

**Joint Land Use Board:** 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 18

**Board of Health:** 6:30 p.m., Thursday, June 20

**Recreation Committee:** 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 20

**Borough Schools Board of Education:**

7 p.m. Monday, June 3, Special Meeting/Board  
Retreat; 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 18; Hilltop Elementary  
School Cafeteria

**Mendham Day Camp Opens:** Monday, June 24

**Summer Concert Series:**

Sunday, June 23, 6:30 p.m.: Carnaby Street

Sunday, June 30, 6:30 p.m.: Kimon & the Prophets

**Recycling:** Thursdays, June 6, 13, 20, 27

**Curbside Bulk Pickup:** Mondays, June 3, 10, 17, 24

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- ◆ Franklin Field » Franklin Rd
- ◆ Small Soccer Field 1 » Botti Park Main Entrance Pavilion Area
- ◆ Small Soccer Field 2 » Botti Park Lower Area
- ◆ Full Soccer Field 3 » Botti Park Lower Area
- ◆ Pastime Baseball Field » Valley Way

Posted regulations must be observed.

## Block Party Road Closure Requests

All requests to close a portion of a residential street for an event such as a block party require approval by the Mayor & Council. Applications should be submitted to the Borough Clerk a **minimum of 30 days** before the date of the event. Please visit the Applications, Permits, Licenses and Fees section of the borough website at [www.mendhamnj.org](http://www.mendhamnj.org) for more details.



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