# THE MENDHAM MESSENGER

The Newsletter for Mendham Borough August 2023

## Dear Mendham Borough Residents and Business Owners,

Our Summer of 2023 has started off with cloudy skies caused by smoke from the Canadian wildfires and major thunderstorms! We are hopeful that the rest of our summer activities we have planned will take place as expected! Remember to log on to our Mendham Borough site, www.mendhamnj.org for the latest event notices in case an event must be cancelled. While you are on our site, please sign up for Nixle!

## Parade Coming!
## Monday, September 4, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

Have a cool old vehicle just waiting to hit the road? Come join the Mendham Borough Labor Day Parade. In past parades we had stroller caravans, decorated bicycle teams, and even a lawn mower brigade. If you are interested in your group joining the parade, you can fill out our parade form online – you'll find the form on our Recreation page under "Forms."

## Thank you, Morris County!

Once again, the Morris County Commissioners and the members of the Morris County Historic Trust Fund have approved our requests for grant funds for both the Phoenix House and the Carey Barn on Mountainside Road.

I have had a few residents ask me why we aren't fixing up the outside of the Phoenix House. These types of on-going restoration and maintenance projects are very costly and require skilled experts in historic restorations. For that reason, we are always looking for grant funds to help us with the project. Critical structural work needs to be done first and is currently under way. The stabilization of the building is paramount in our plan. We anticipate being awarded a new round of funds early next year and plan to begin the exterior restoration before the end of 2024. We will be certain to have a celebration once the work is completed!

## Mendham Borough has a Top Cop!

News from MADD: On Thursday, June 22, 2023, Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) of New Jersey, along with the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety, hosted their annual statewide awards ceremony at Rutgers University New Brunswick, where they recognized members of law enforcement throughout NJ who have displayed exemplary efforts in the fight to eliminate impaired driving.

We are so proud here in Mendham Borough to congratulate and thank Sgt. Patrick McNichol for being awarded MADD's 2022 Top Cop Award for Drug Recognition Expert Evaluations in New Jersey! Sgt. McNichol was this year's award recipient for having conducted the most Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) Evaluations. In his 20+ years as a DRE, Sgt McNichol has conducted over 600 evaluations, which is a lot of time spent keeping our roads safe for residents and other drivers. I hope you will join me in congratulating Sgt. McNichol for a job well done!

## Who's Who in Mendham

Having just received such a prestigious award, it is only fitting that we recognize Sgt. Patrick McNichol in our Who's Who and get to know him a little better. Patrick McNichol started his career with the Mendham Borough Police Department as a Patrolman in February of 1998. He joined our police force only two years after graduating from Albright College. It was a short six years later, in 2004, when he was promoted to Sergeant. In 2007, he completed his Masters Degree in Administration of Justice and Security. To say that Sgt. McNichol has been busy while with the Mendham Borough Police Department is an understatement! The list of certifications and specialties he holds is extensive. They include Certified Emergency Medical Technician/CPR Instructor, Radar Instructor, Certified Police Instructor, Municipal Counter-Terrorism Coordinator, Responsible for the Detective Bureau, Drug Recognition Expert/ Instructor and Morris County DRE Coordinator, DRE Association Treasurer, and Eastern Region IACP TAP representative.

Sgt. McNichol has proven to be an outstanding officer who has dedicated himself to keeping our beloved Mendham Borough safe and secure. Sgt. McNichol, we can't thank you enough!

Stay cool and enjoy some outdoor tunes at our concert series at our beautiful Borough Park!

Yours very truly,

Christine Serrano Glassner

Mayor