

# The Mendham Messenger

July/August 2018

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## Mayor's Update

Dear Resident and Business Owner,

As we head into the summer, the Mayor, Council and Administration have been working on the following projects:

### Personnel

- Construction Official—The personnel committee interviewed 4 applicants to replace Russ Heiney who retired as our Construction/Building Sub Code Inspector. Resolution 112-2018 was adopted to appoint Robert Rosendale to replace Mr. Heiney.
- Fire Sub-Code/Inspector—Three applications were received to fill this job position. Interviews will be conducted by Mr. Rosendale.
- Police Part-time Secretary—A total of 27 applications were received for this open position. Interviews were completed resulting in Resolution 111-2018 appointing Theresa Giordano to this position.

Borough Administrator Joyce Bushman has completed an update of all job descriptions for each position that exists within the Borough. A Salary and Wages Pay Range Ordinance is being finalized for introduction to the Mayor and Council.

### Morris County Economic Development Alliance (MCEDA) Grant

A grant application was submitted to secure additional funding to help produce a directory of all borough businesses.

### Phones

Lisa Smith, our Administrative Assistant in our Department of Public Works and Ms. Bushman have met with representatives of Monmouth Telephone to review the issues, concerns, service and support matters we have regarding our phone system. Caller ID, the phone directory, blind transfers, call parking, access to internet portal to manage users' phone features, voicemail to email, find me follow me call forwarding, have been enabled. Staff is now using the features.

### Annual Repaving Program (Heather Hill, Muirfield & Kerby)

DPW Staff repaired basins on roads to be paved-

Kerby, Heather Hill, Muirfield. Tilcon Contracting has milled these roads and paving should be completed by the end of June.

### Prentice Lane Silt Run-Off

Depending on funding availability, DPW is evaluating utilizing a grading contractor to regrade the road and pull the quarry process off the shoulder and back to the middle. This would create a crown in the road to allow the water to sheet off and not run down the middle. This will help abate the silt run off but will not eliminate it.

### Scott Farm Barn

We are working on setting up a meeting with the engineer and the Environmental and Open Space Chairs to review the barn stabilization. Engineering design work for the barn stabilization will be necessary for a grant application. The grant would be due in Jan/Feb for 2019 funding.

### Rowe Sheep Farm Farmland Preservation

The Planner and Engineer finalized an application to Morris County Open Space Committee. An analysis was included which estimated (1) the development potential (highest and best use without the need for variances) of the property and (2) an estimated preservation cost is completed. The County's farmland preservation program does not require the applicant to provide an appraisal. Instead, the County hires two independent appraisers to appraise the value of the development easement. The development easement typically accounts for 55-65% of the fee simple value. Our Open Space Committee, along with Council Liaison to Open Space, John Andrus, recommended that \$1,000 from the Open Space Trust Fund should be utilized for the application to Morris County.

### Interactive Crossing Signs

Signs have been ordered. The flashing Pedestrian signs will be installed on East Main Street (County 510) one at Halstead Road and the other one at Tempe Wick Road.

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Mendham Borough  
LIBRARY

# News from the Mendham Borough Library

10 Hilltop Road 973 543-4152 www.mendhamboroughlibrary.org

## 2018 Adult Summer Reading is Back!

Why should kids have all the fun this summer? You can have fun by participating in the Mendham Borough Library Adult Summer Reading program, "Libraries Rock." Our adult summer reading program is a great time to celebrate and explore mind-expanding literature. Read or listen to any book and enter each week for a chance to win a prize. The program runs from June 25th to July 27th.



## Coloring for Adults - Welcome Summer

*Thursday, July 19th, 6:00 to 8:00 pm*

Treat yourself to some free time to color, listen to music and enjoy a summertime beverage. The library will provide the coloring pages, pens, pencils and dessert. Feel free to stop in anytime between 6 and 8 pm.

Coloring  
for Adults



## Weekly Adult Programs

Bridge, Wednesdays at 10 am  
Device Advice, Wednesdays 1-3 pm  
Canasta, Thursdays at 10 am  
Yoga, Tuesdays & Thursdays at 8:15 am (July only)

## Adult Book Clubs on Summer Break

Mendham Borough Library's two Friday morning book clubs (Monthly Book Group and Cookbook Book Club) will be on hiatus until September.



## Borough Best Sellers Program

You've just heard that Nora Roberts or James Patterson has a new book out but don't have time to get the library to place it on hold. Now you won't have to worry - join the Borough Best Sellers and we'll do it for you automatically. All you need to do is fill in a form letting us know your favorite authors. We will place holds for up to 10 of your favorite authors. Stop by the library to pick up a paper copy to fill out and return.

## Bring Us Your Gently Used Books—The August Book Sale is Back

The library will be accepting donations of gently used books, audio-books and DVDs from August 4 - August 11 for sale during our annual book sale. We are **NOT** accepting the following items:



- Encyclopedias
- Health books published before 2014
- Books with any water damage or mold
- Travel books before 2014
- Reference books
- Computer books before 2014
- Books without ISBN numbers

The sale will run from August 18 to August 24 in the Fletcher Gallery downstairs in the library. Stop in and check out a great selection of used items culled from our library collection and donated items. The sale includes all types of books, including children's picture books, junior fiction, adult fiction and non-fiction. It will also include selected audio-books and DVDs. The Book Sale will be held during regular library hours.

SAVE THE DATE

COMING  
UP

Save the Date!

The Mendham Borough Library Fall Fundraiser

October 13th, 2018 from 7-10 pm

Look for further details soon



# Kids 2018 Summer Reading at the Mendham Borough Library

Children attending any program must be registered for the Summer Reading Program. Make sure your kids are part of the fun by signing them up today by calling 973-543-4152 or visiting [www.mendhamboroughlibrary.org](http://www.mendhamboroughlibrary.org). Programs are open to all ages unless otherwise noted and **your child must be registered in advance to attend.**

## Weekly Programs (No registration required)

### Sing Along

Mondays @ 10:30 am  
Birth to age 5.



### Crafternoon

Mondays @ 3:30 pm

### Fun and Games

Fridays @ 3:30 pm



### Story Time

Wednesdays in July @ 4 pm

## Special Programs

### BONK! Drum Workshop

Tuesday, July 3rd @ 4 pm

Learn how to play the drums with drum expert Steve Brown in this mad musical program.

### Build-a-Kite

Thursday, July 5th @ 4 pm

Build, color, and fly your very own kite. Plus, learn a little about the US National Park Service.



### Jewelry Workshop

Tuesday, July 10th @ 4 pm

Make jewelry of all sorts, plus fused Perler beads.

### Edible Art

Thursday, July 12th @ 4 pm

Cool off with a delicious "Penguin Parade" craft.

### Afternoon Movie: *The Incredibles*

Saturday, July 14th @ 12 pm

The adventures of a superhero and his family. 111 minutes. Rated PG.



### Summer Food Crafternoon

Monday, July 16th @ 3:30 pm

ShopRite's Brittany Peterson will join us once again for a delicious and nutritious summer food craft.

### Wild West: The Mystery of the Golden Piano (At Brookside Community Club)

Tuesday, July 17th @ 4 pm

Grab your spurs and journey with us to the Wild West, where a legendary bank-robbing outlaw is back in town, about to strike again!



### Paper Olympics

Thursday, July 19th @ 4 pm

Play paper football, paper soccer, and make origami to be crowned Summer Paper Champion.

### Bubble Party

Tuesday, July 24th @ 4 pm

Enjoy the waterworks. Play with bubbles of all shapes and sizes and water balloons. Swimwear is optional.

### Spin Art

Thursday, July 26th @ 4 pm

Make some wild and stylish spin and string art.



### Baby Playtime

Friday, July 27th @ 10:30 am

Little ones are invited to play games and make friends.  
Birth to age 5.



### Rizzo's Reptiles

Tuesday, July 31st @ 4 pm

Rizzo will be returning to introduce some of his wild reptile friends in this fun nature program.

### Late Night: Dog Days of Summer

Friday, August 3rd @ 7-9 pm

We'll be busting out the water balloons in this special library program. Enjoy crafts and fun.

Open to 3rd-8th grade.



## New Acquisitions This Summer at the Library

### Fiction

*An Unsuitable Match*  
*Beach House Reunion*  
*Best Beach Ever*  
*By Invitation Only*  
*Charmed Bones*  
*Death Doesn't Bargain*  
*Dreams of Falling*  
*Hérons Landing*  
*How Hard Can it Be?*  
*How it Happened*  
*Jane Seymour the Haunted Queen*  
*Lighthouse Beach*  
*Love and Ruin*  
*My Kind of Christmas*  
*My Mother's Son*  
*Night Gaunts and Other Tales*  
*Princess*  
*Probable Claws*  
*Robert B. Parker's Old Black Magic*  
*Shelter in Place*  
*Star Of The North*  
*The Assault on Intelligence*  
*The Beekeeper's Promise*  
*The Cast*  
*The Crooked Stair Case*  
*The Death of Mrs. Westaway*  
*The Endless Beach*  
*The Favorite Sister*  
*The Gray Ghost*  
*The Hellfire Club*  
*The High Season*  
*The High Tide Club*  
*The Kiss Quotient*  
*The Other Lady Vanishes*  
*The Patchwork Bride*  
*The Pharaoh Key*  
*The President is Missing*  
*The Soul of America the Battle for Our*  
*Better Angels*

Trollope, Joanna  
 Monroe, Mary Alice  
 Wax, Wendy  
 Frank, Dorothea  
 Haines, Carolyn  
 Kenyon, Sherrilyn  
 White, Karen  
 Ross, JoAnn  
 Pearson, Allison  
 Koryta, Michael  
 Weir, Alison  
 Noble, Shelley  
 McLain, Paula  
 Dailey, Janet  
 Hirshberg, David  
 Oates, Joyce Carol  
 Patterson, James  
 Brown, Rita  
 Atkins, Ace  
 Roberts, Nora  
 John, D. B.  
 Hayden, Michael  
 Valpy, Fiona  
 Steel, Danielle  
 Koontz, Dean  
 Ware, Ruth  
 Cogan, Jenny  
 Knoll, Jessica  
 Cussler, Clive  
 Tapper, Jake  
 Blundell, Judy  
 Andrews, Mary Kay  
 Hoang, Helen  
 Quick, Amanda  
 Dallas, Sandra  
 Preston, Douglas  
 Clinton, Bill  
 Meacham, Jon

### Fiction (con't)

*The Woman in the Woods*  
*The World is Murder*  
*Time Was*  
*Turbulence*  
*Us Against You*  
*When Life Gives You Lululemons*

Connolly, John  
 Horowitz, Anthony  
 McDonald, Ian  
 Woods, Stuart  
 Backman, Fredrik  
 Weisberger, Lauren

### Non-Fiction

*North American Road Trips*  
*Calypso*  
*I'll Be Gone in the Dark*  
*The 30 Day Ketogenic Cleanse*  
*The Complete Cat Breed Book*  
*The Perfect Cake*  
*The Ultimate Cat Book a*  
*Comprehensive Visual Guide to Cats*  
*To End a Prsidency the Power of*  
*Impeachment*  
*What to Feed Your Baby and Toddler*

Derrick, Martin  
 Sedaris, David  
 McNamara, Michelle  
 Emmerich, Maria  
 Dennis-Bryan, Kim  
 America's Test Kitchen  
 Edwards, Alan  
 Tribe, Laurence  
 Avena, Nicole M.

### Large Type

*The Cast*  
*The Woman in the Window*

Steel, Danielle  
 Finn, A. J.

### Audio Books

*A Higher Loyalty*  
*By Invitation Only*  
*Fade to Black*  
*Golf's Sacred Journey the Sequel*  
*Robert B. Parker's Old Black Magic*  
*The Alice Network*  
*The Favorite Sister*  
*The Glitch*  
*The High Tide Club*

Comey, James  
 Frank, Dorothea Benton  
 Rosenfelt, David  
 Cook, David L.  
 Atkins, Ace  
 Quinn, Kate  
 Knoll, Jessica  
 Cohen, Elisabeth  
 Andrews, Mary Kay

### DVDs

*Chappaquiddick (7/10/18)*  
*Peter Rabbit*

*Star Wars The Last Jedi*  
*The Black Panther*

*The Library will be closed Wednesday, July 4th for Independence Day*



# SCHIFF NATURE PRESERVE

## Events at Schiff Nature Preserve

Please see a complete list and register online at [www.schiffnaturepreserve.org](http://www.schiffnaturepreserve.org) or call 973-543-6004.

## **Schiff Summer Nature Program is filling up FAST!**

Summers @ Schiff provide kids ages 4-15 a healthy dose of fresh air, active fun, exploration in nature, and the integration of environmental education. At Schiff Summer Nature Program, kids get outside to play, explore and learn together while deepening their sense of community, self-confidence, and an appreciation for the natural world. Please visit <http://www.schiffnaturepreserve.org/summer.cfm> for more information and to register.

## **Fungus Foray at Schiff!**

*July 14, 2018 (Saturday) 10-3 pm*

Join us at Schiff for a Fungus Foray! The NJ Mycological Association, a non-profit organization whose aims are to provide a means for sharing ideas, experiences, knowledge, and common interests regarding fungi, and to furnish mycological information and educational materials to those who wish to increase their knowledge about mushrooms will direct and inspire us to foray in the woods of Schiff Nature Preserve. The first two hours we will be on a self-directed search and then we will gather in the Nature Center to hold an identification session. All are encouraged to stay for the ID session - that is when the real learning begins! This is a free event, but parking is limited to 25 cars. Register in advance.

## **Bats are Beneficial!**

*August 2, 2018 (Thursday) 7:00-8:30 pm*

Nine species of bats call New Jersey home, and many can be seen flying around your neighborhood at dusk. Come to the Schiff Nature Preserve as the light fades to watch bats hunt insects using echolocation, and learn about their unique ecology! Kathleen Kerwin from Rutgers will show us how to use an acoustic monitor that can detect what bat species are flying nearby. Member fee is \$5 or \$15/family of four. Non-member fee is \$10 or \$30/family of four. Please, no pets.

## **Events of Schiff Nature Preserve (con't) Star Gazing with Morris Museum Astronomical Society**

*August 18, 2018 (Saturday) 9-10:30 pm*

Bring a picnic blanket and a late night snack to enjoy a quiet summer evening with Schiff and Joe Molnar from the Morris Museum Astronomical Society for a night of star gazing! We will meet at the nature center and walk as a group to the great meadow for a tour of the summer sky and gazing through a telescope. Member fee is \$8. Non-member fee is \$12.

## **Leaves & Grass Clipping Disposal Suggestions**

It's best for your lawn to leave the clippings on the lawn after cutting. If you would rather bring them to the Department of Public Works, you can drop them off Monday to Friday from 7 am to 3:30 pm and Saturday 8 am to 3 pm, at the Public Works facility at 37 Ironia Rd. Do not mix grass clippings/leaves with branches and brush or with household garbage. Grass clippings and leaves will not be picked up at your home. Do not leave grass clippings/leaves at the curb. *Contractors are NOT allowed to dispose of this material at this site. They may dispose of the material at the County Disposal Facility in Mount Olive.* If you have additional questions, you can call the Department of Public Works at 973 543-6535.

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### **Asset Management/Capital Planning:**

Staff is working with WR Engineer on development of an Asset Management Plan, which will be used to develop the capital budget needs for Sewer Utility. Development of the plan will involve creating and inventory and then identify age/criticality/vulnerability of each component of the plant/system to rank potential capital needs. The Plan will be the basis of a realistic Capital Improvements Plan.

Best wishes for a safe summer. See you again in September.

Sincerely,

Neil Henry  
Mayor

# Solutions for Stormwater Pollution

Easy Things You Can Do  
Everyday to Protect Our Water

## A Guide to Healthy Habits for Cleaner Water

Pollution on streets, parking lots and lawns is washed by rain into storm drains, then directly to our drinking water supplies and the ocean and lakes our children play in. Fertilizer, oil, pesticides, detergents, pet waste: you name it, and it ends up in our water.

Stormwater pollution is one of New Jersey's greatest threats to clean and plentiful water, and that's why we're all doing something about it. By sharing the responsibility and making small, easy changes in our daily lives, we can keep common pollutants out of stormwater. It all adds up to cleaner water, and it saves the high cost of cleaning up once it's dirty.

As part of New Jersey's initiative to keep water clean and plentiful and to meet federal requirements, many municipalities and public agencies including colleges and military bases must adopt ordinances or other rules prohibiting various activities that contribute to stormwater pollution. Breaking these rules can result in fines or other penalties.



[www.cleanwaternj.org](http://www.cleanwaternj.org)



## Contact information

For more information on stormwater related topics, visit [www.njstormwater.org](http://www.njstormwater.org) or [http://www.state.nj.us/dep/dwq/msrp\\_home.htm](http://www.state.nj.us/dep/dwq/msrp_home.htm)

Additional information is also available at U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Website: [www.epa.gov](http://www.epa.gov)

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection  
Division of Water Quality  
Bureau of Nonpoint Pollution Control  
Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program  
(609) 633-7021

**As a resident, business, or other member of the New Jersey community, it is important to know these easy things you can do every day to protect our water.**

## Limit your use of fertilizers and pesticides

- Make sure you properly store or discard any unused portions.
- Do a soil test to see if you need a fertilizer.
- Do not apply fertilizers if heavy rain is predicted.
- Look into alternatives for pesticides.
- Maintain a small lawn and keep the rest of your property or yard in a natural state with trees and other native vegetation that requires little or no fertilizer.
- If you use fertilizers and pesticides, follow the instructions on the label on how to apply it correctly.

## Properly use and dispose of hazardous products

- Hazardous products include some household or commercial cleaning products, lawn and garden care products, motor oil, antifreeze and paints.
- Do not pour any hazardous products down a storm drain because storm drains are usually connected to local water bodies, and the water is not treated.
- If you have hazardous products in your home or workplace, make sure you store or dispose of them properly. Read the label for guidance.
- Use natural or less toxic alternatives.
- Recycle used motor oil.
- Contact your municipality, county or facility management office for the locations of hazardous-waste disposal facilities.



## Keep pollution out of storm drains

- Municipalities and other public agencies are required to mark certain storm drain inlets reminding people that storm drains are connected to local water bodies.
- Do not let sewage or other wastes flow into a stormwater system.



### **Clean up after your pet**

- Many municipalities and public agencies must enact and enforce local pet-waste rules.
- An example is requiring pet owners or their keepers to pick up and properly dispose of pet waste dropped on public or other people's property.
- Make sure you know your town's or agency's requirements and comply with them. It's the law. And remember to:
  - Use newspaper, bags or pooper-scoopers to pick up wastes;
  - Dispose of the wrapped pet waste in the trash or unwrapped in a toilet; and
  - Never discard pet waste in a storm drain.



### **Don't feed wildlife**

- Do not feed wildlife, such as ducks and geese, in public areas.
- Many municipalities and other public agencies must enact and enforce a rule that prohibits wildlife feeding in these areas.

### **Don't litter**

- Place litter in trash receptacles.
- Recycle. Recycle. Recycle.
- Participate in community cleanups.



### **Dispose of yard waste properly**

- Keep leaves and grass out of storm drains.
- If your municipality or agency has yard waste collection rules, follow them.
- Use leaves and grass clippings as a resource for compost.
- Use a mulching mower that recycles grass clippings into the lawn.



### **Summer in the Park 2018**

by the Mendham Borough Recreation Department

### **Mendham Movie in the Park:**

*"Honey, I Shrunk the Kids"*

July 18, 2018

8:30 pm near Gazebo

(rain date: July 25)

On August 1st at 7 pm the Recreation Department has two great events planned for an exciting family night at Borough Park!

Mendham Boro Day Camp's Color Wars finale on the two upper Baseball Fields RED or BLUE immediately followed by... Drive-In Movie in the Park: *"Coco"* 8:15 pm behind Carriage House on Lower Baseball Field. \*\* number of cars limited \*\*

### **Mendham Borough Gazebo**

#### **Sunday Concert Series:**

Held at the Borough Park Gazebo (19 Mountain Avenue, Mendham, NJ)

#### **\*Fast Forward Band (Classics from the 80s!)**

July 1, 2018

7pm-9pm

(rain date: July 15)

#### **\*"Carnaby Street"**

July 8, 2018

7pm-9pm

(rain date: July 15)

#### **\*"Kimon & The Prophets" (Blues/Rock)**

July 22, 2018

7-9pm

(rain date Aug 5)

#### **\*Larry Stevens Group (Pop Rock hits)**

July 29, 2018

7pm-9pm

(rain date: Aug 5)

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### **Borough Calendar for July 2018**

#### **Curbside Bulk Pickup**

Mondays, July 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30

**Recycle** - Thursdays, July 5 & 19

**Board of Adjustment** - at the Garabrant Center,  
7:30 pm on Tuesday, July 10

**Borough Council Meeting** - at the Garabrant Center,  
8 pm on Thursday, July 19

**Environmental Commission** - at the Phoenix House,  
7:00 pm on Thursday, July 19

**Historic Preservation Commission** - at the Phoenix  
House, 7:30 pm on Monday, July 16

**Open Space Advisory Committee** - at the Phoenix  
House, 7 pm on Thursday, July 12

**Planning Board Meeting** - at the Garabrant Center,  
7:30 pm on Monday, July 9

**Recreation Commission** - at the Phoenix House,  
7:30 pm on Wednesday, July 11

### **Borough Calendar for August 2018**

#### **Curbside Bulk Pickup**

Mondays, August 6, 13, 20 & 27

**Recycle** - Thursdays, August 2, 16 & 30

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

**Borough Council Meeting** - at the Garabrant Center,  
8 pm on Thursday, August 16

**Environmental Commission** - at the Phoenix House,  
7:00 pm on Thursday, August 16

**Historic Preservation Commission** - at the Phoenix  
House, 7:30 pm on Monday, August 20

**Planning Board Meeting** - at the Garabrant Center,  
7:30 pm on Monday, August 13

**Recreation Commission** - at the Phoenix House,  
7:30 pm on Wednesday, August 8

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Wednesday, July 4 and Monday, September 3.*

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