

The Mendham Messenger

July/August 2021

Mayor's Update

Dear Residents and Business Owners,

We are all set to have a fun Summer here in Mendham Borough! Our concerts and movies in the park are back! We would also like to introduce our newest fitness offering: Yoga in the Park. Yoga classes will be held on Tuesday nights at 6:30pm in front of the gazebo. Bring your yoga mat, beach towel and yoga props. Come stretch out to the soothing inspirations of Borough resident and yoga instructor Nathalie Masse. For more information on our summer schedule please visit our recreation calendar at: <https://www.mendhamnj.org/cn/eventsCalendar/?did=1624>. To sign up for yoga please visit our flyer on the Mendham Borough website www.mendhamnj.org.

Departmental Changes:

With residents spending more time at home, home improvement projects have become a priority. Our Construction Department has never been busier! In order to help them expedite requests we have made some improvements to our process. If you would like to schedule an inspection, find out about permit status, or get property data you can now **"Save time and click online!"** For fast 24/7 access to information and updates on your project, simply go to Mendham Borough website home page, click on the **Citizen & Contractor Portal** and sign up for your personalized SDL account today. Please visit our construction page to find answers to your questions before you begin a project.

Important information to know:

Let's talk about fire prevention! The mission of the Mendham Borough Fire Prevention Bureau is to minimize the number of fires within the Borough and reduce the severity of fires when they occur. This is accomplished through routine and cyclical inspections of all properties and businesses. The focus during an inspection is not to identify violations and issue penalties but rather to ensure compliance through education and training.

The Borough is statutorily required to have a Fire Official or Marshal. To accomplish that, the Fire

Prevention Bureau is funded primarily on Fire Safety Registration Fees paid by the Borough businesses. Our businesses have regularly scheduled inspections throughout the year and residential properties are inspected at the time of sale.

The simple question you can ask is, what preventative measures can I take to ensure the protection of life and property? Here is a short list of some, but not all, common measures that can be easily implemented by businesses and homeowners alike. Remember, this is not a complete list:

- Are exits or egresses blocked, obstructed, or otherwise unavailable?
- Are the covers on all electrical outlets, junction boxes and panels?
- Are extension cords used in a permanent manner in a place where there should be an outlet?
- Are piggy-backed power strips used or outlets overloaded?
- Are you performing proper maintenance of heating devices, including not storing any items within 3 feet of furnaces, boilers, water heaters?
- Fire extinguishers: is the tag current, is it accessible, is it mounted on a hanger or in cabinet?
- Is there excessive accumulation of combustible storage, is there orderly storage, is there no storage within 18" of sprinkler heads?
- Are flammable liquids stored properly?
- Are you maintaining all fire alarms, sprinkler systems and alternative suppression systems?

Let's not leave our fire protection up to just our Fire Marshal. It's up to all of us to do our own inspections.

Who's who in Mendham:

John Zaragoza has shown bravery throughout his career by always being on the front line of fighting fires. John joined the Mendham Borough Team in the height of the pandemic as our Fire Marshal. One of his many functions as Fire Marshal is to conduct origin investigations of all fires that occur. Additionally, his job is to enforce the uniform fire code, but he likes to do this through education and training opportunities so that he can help make businesses and residences safe from fires.



Mendham Borough
LIBRARY

News from the Mendham Borough Library

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

2021 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! 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 24th to August 2nd.



What's Cooking with Chef Theresa—Virtual International Cuisine Series (Co-hosted with Roxbury Library)

July 2021: Lebanon: Tabouleh & Blackened Chicken
Tuesday, July 13th from 4:00pm - 5:00pm via Zoom

August 2021: Argentina: Lime and Dill Chimichurri Shrimp

Tuesday, August 3rd from 4:00pm - 5:00pm via Zoom
Ingredient list will be emailed a few days before each session.

Register online or by calling the library and the Zoom link will be sent to you the day before the event.

Coloring for Adults - Summer Coloring

Wednesday, July 21st, 6-8 pm

Wednesday, August 18th, 6-8 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.



Weekly Adult Programs

Bridge, Wednesdays at 10 am

Device Advice, Wednesdays 1-3 pm

Canasta, Thursdays at 10 am

Knitting Advice, Fridays 10-12 pm

Yoga, Tuesdays & Thursdays at 8:30 am (ZOOM)

Cribbage

Wednesday, August 11th @ 6:30 pm

Cribbage is a card game traditionally for two players, although it can be played with three or four players. Players move through a succession of hands, accumulating points through two scoring stages (the play and the show). Cribbage was created in the 17th century in England. It was a common pastime for submariners during World War II. Come join us at the library for an evening of cribbage for new and seasoned players. If you have a cribbage board, please bring it with you!



Adult Book Club on Summer Break

Mendham Borough Library's Friday morning book club will be on hiatus until September. We will be back in the Fall. Below is a look at the books the group will be reading when they start back up in the Fall.

September 24—*Cutting For Stone* by Abraham Verghese

October 22—*A House In The Sky* by Amanda Lindhout

November 19—*This Tender Land* by William Krueger

December 17—*The Sympathizer* by Viet Thanh Nguyen

Museum Pass program Returns

Storm King Art Center is a 500-acre outdoor museum located in New York's Hudson Valley, where visitors experience large-scale sculpture and site-specific commissions under open sky. Since 1960, Storm King has been dedicated to stewarding the hills, meadows, and forests of its site and surrounding landscape.

Storm King Art Center, commonly referred to as Storm King and named after its proximity to Storm King Mountain is located in Mountainville, New York, just a little over 1 hour drive from Mendham! It contains what is perhaps the largest collection of contemporary outdoor sculptures in the United States. Currently the Library Pass covers admission for 1 car (up to six people in the car). Call the library today to reserve the pass. Mendham Borough Library Cardholders only.



Kids 2021 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. Call 973-543-4152 or visit our website www.mendhamboroughlibrary.org.

Toddler Sing-Along

Mondays at 10:30am, Outside (weather permitting)

Join Miss Tina for some fun songs outside! We ask all

participants to remain socially distanced during this program, and to follow NJ safety guidelines. Feel free to bring something to sit on and strollers are welcome. In the case of questionable weather, check our social media pages or call, after 10am, for the running status of this program.



Wiggly Bookworms

Wednesdays in July, 10:30am Outside (weather permitting)

Join Miss Tina for some movement -songs and a movement story!

We ask all participants to remain socially distanced during this program, and to follow NJ safety guidelines. Feel free to bring something to sit on and strollers are welcome. In the case of questionable weather, check our social media pages or call, after 10am, for the running status of this program.



Crafternoon at Home & Crafts-To-Go

Choose from one of our 2 crafts each week. Pick up a craft kit at the Library (at the desk or through Curbside service). Crafternoon kits may require use of home supplies like glue, markers, crayons, scissors, etc. that are not able to be provided by the Library. Craft-to-Go kits will be all peel and stick. Crafts will be announced on our Instagram and Facebook Pages at the beginning of the week.

Arts & Crafts



Read to a Dog Outside!

Thursdays, July 8th, July 22nd, Aug 12th, & August 26th at 4pm

We are so excited to welcome back our therapy dogs. So that we may do this as safely as possible, we will be setting up time slots. This program will be outside on the grass. You are welcome to bring a towel or blanket to sit on during the program. Please sign up for your time slot online through our website.



Library Gone Wild Teddy

Bear Sleepover

July 15th- 16th

Drop off a stuffed friend (1 per child) to have a fun and wild time at the Library for a night. Animal "permission slips" will be available at our Circulation Desk and on our Website. Each animal will go home with a special little treat.

Please drop off your animal in a bag with their "permission slip" by 5pm on July 15!

Pick up will be after 12pm on July 16th.

Be sure to check out their wild antics on our Instagram and Facebook pages.

Please sign up on our website to reserve your stuffed friend's spot!



Mindfulness

Watercolor Painting (Virtual)

Grades 3rd and up. 3 weeks

Mondays, July 12th, 19th and 26th 4pm

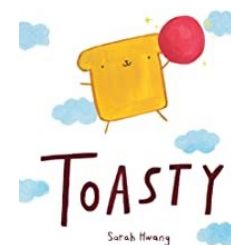
Join Miss Tina for a guided meditation followed by some free form Watercolor Painting.

Sign up to pick up your reserved painting kit at the Library and join Miss Tina on Zoom on Mondays.



New Acquisitions This Summer at the Library

Fiction		Audiobooks	
<i>All the Children are Home</i>	Francis, Patry	<i>Ocean Prey</i>	Sandford, John
<i>From Blood and Ash</i>	Armentrout, Jennifer I.	<i>Sooley</i>	Grisham, John
<i>Gold Diggers</i>	Sathian, Sanjena	<i>That Summer</i>	Weiner, Jennifer
<i>Golden Girl</i>	Hilderbrand, Elin	<i>The Four Winds</i>	Hannah, Kristin
<i>Hidden</i>	Michaels, Fern	<i>The Midnight Library</i>	Haig, Matt
<i>Jackpot</i>	Woods, Stuart	<i>The Rose Code</i>	Quinn, Kate
<i>Kingdom of Flesh and Fire</i>	Armentrout, Jennifer I.	<i>While Justice Sleeps</i>	Abrams, Stacey
<i>Legacy</i>	Roberts, Nora	<i>Win</i>	Coben, Harlan
<i>Mary Jane</i>	Blau, Jessica Anya		
<i>Payback</i>	Lupica, Mike	Children's/ YA	
<i>People We Meet on Vacation</i>	Henry, Emily	<i>Allergic</i>	Lloyd, Megan Wagner
<i>That Summer</i>	Weiner, Jennifer	<i>Baby & Solo</i>	Posthuma, Lisabeth
<i>The Bookstore on the Beach</i>	Novak, Brenda	<i>Bubbles Up!</i>	Davies, Jacqueline
<i>The Crown of Gilded Bones</i>	Armentrout, Jennifer I.	<i>Courage to Soar</i>	Biles, Simone
<i>The Plot</i>	Korelitz, Jean Hanff	<i>Cupcake Fix</i>	Fang, Vicky
<i>The Saboteurs</i>	Cussler, Clive	<i>Dog Squad</i>	Grabenstein, Chris
<i>The Woman With the Blue Star</i>	Jenoff, Pam	<i>Food Fight for Fiona</i>	Lareau, Lucy
<i>Where the Grass is Green and the Girls are Pretty</i>	Weisberger, Lauren	<i>How to Apologize</i>	LaRochelle, David
<i>While Justice Sleeps</i>	Abrams, Stacy	<i>It's Trevor Noah</i>	Noah, Trevor
		<i>Little Turtle Tries</i>	Dahl, Michael
Non-Fiction		<i>Mystery of the Missing Monarchs</i>	Lareau, Lucy
<i>Abandoned Ruins on Public Lands in NJ</i>	Butler, Kathleen	<i>Outside, Inside</i>	Pham, Leuyen
<i>Baker's Companion</i>	King Arthur Baking Company	<i>Pinkalicious and the Robo-Pup</i>	Kann, Victoria
<i>Finding Freedom</i>	French, Erin	<i>Ready Player One</i>	Cline, Ernest
<i>Finding the Mother Tree</i>	Simard, Suzanne	<i>The Sorry Life of Timothy Shmoe</i>	McLellan, Stephanie
<i>Girlhood</i>	Febos, Melissa	<i>Toasty</i>	Hwang, Sarah
<i>The Bomber Mafia</i>	Gladwell, Malcolm	<i>Who is RuPaul?</i>	Medina, Nico
<i>The New Retirement Savings Time Bomb</i>	Slott, Ed		
<i>The Premonition</i>	Lewis, Michael		
<i>The Secret to Superhuman Strength</i>	Bechdel, Alison		
<i>Walking the Cape and Islands</i>	Weintraub, David		
Large Print			
<i>A Gambling Man</i>	Baldacci, David		
<i>Golden Girl</i>	Hilderbrand, Elin		
<i>Serpentine</i>	Kellerman, Jonathan		
<i>Sooley</i>	Grisham, John		
<i>The President's Daughter</i>	Clinton, Bill		
<i>Win</i>	Coban, Harlan		



The library will be closed Saturday, July 3rd & Monday, July 5th for the 4th of July Holiday and Saturday, September 4th & Monday, September 6th for Labor Day.

Enjoy!



Tails and Tales Writing Contest

Grades 3rd-12th

Submissions due by July 23rd

Tell us a story!!! Write a short story featuring an *Animal or Animals* between *500-1500 words (about 1-3 pages single spaced)* and share it with us for a chance to win our special First place prize!

All submissions must be typed.

Please submit with a *Cover Page that includes, Title of story, Author, Author's grade, and a contact email address*, with your story.

Email your story to mnbwritingcontest@gmail.com or hand in a hard copy to Miss Tina by *July 23rd*.

The Winner will be announced at the Beginning of August!

Kids Summer Reading Program (ages 11 and under)

June 20th- July 31st

Register and pick up a log from the library. Keep track of your reading at home. Check in weekly for your chance to win cool prizes and more! Last day for entries is **Wed, August 4th**.

Register by **June 26th** for a chance to win a \$25 Creamery gift card. One entry per person. All ages. Register at the front desk.

Teen Summer Reading Program (ages 12-18)

June 20th- July 31st

Earn an entry for each book you read, for a chance to win one of our 3 gift cards to local businesses, Mendham Creamery, Mendham Bagel, and Simple Coffee!

Enter your books online through the link on our website, or scan the QR code here or on the flyers at the library.



Youth Volunteers Needed!

The Children's Department is looking for Volunteers for the summer to help shelve books and keep the collection looking great. If interested please contact Miss Tina, Head of Youth Services at tina.mcmurray@mendhamboroughlibrary.org or call the library at (973)543-4152.



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.



Mendham Borough Board of Health Update



The Mendham Borough Board of Health offers a wide range of services to Borough residents and non-residents. Offerings range from health screenings, seminars, physical and mental health issues, to radon home testing kits. Many are free or low cost. You can access these programs by visiting www.mendhamnj.org located in news and announcements or www.bernardshealth.org.

If you have questions about the programs or can't access the internet, you can call 973-543-7152 ext. 10 to speak to Karen Orgera, the Board of Health Secretary.

Mendham Borough's Spatial Data Logic ("SDL") Platform

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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.



As a resident, business, or other member
www.cleanwaternj.org



Contact information

For more information on stormwater related topics, visit www.njstormwater.org or 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

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



SCHIFF NATURE PRESERVE

Brilliant Fireflies

July 9, 2021 (Friday) 7:00-8:30 pm

Join a Schiff naturalist and learn some fascinating facts about beloved fireflies. Did you know they are not flies at all! Following a short film about the fate of fireflies, Brilliant Darkness- Hotura in the Night, we will go on a hike to the Great Meadow to observe fireflies in their natural habitat. Bring a few friends to this family friendly/all ages event, but please ensure that children under 16 have a parent present. Not appropriate for strollers. Wear sturdy shoes and bring a flashlight. Member fee is \$10. Non-member fee is \$15. Advance registration and payment required 24 hours in advance. Capacity is temporarily limited to 12. Social distancing and face coverings are required.

Music in the Woods: Tom Rice & Friends

July 11, 2021 (Sunday) 4-6 pm

Looking to be in nature AND enjoy some live music? Schiff's reimagined Music in the Woods is now an outdoor event in the Amphitheatre. Bring your snacks, beverages, and perhaps a pillow for stadium bench seating comfort. Wear comfortable walking shoes for the 20 minute walk up into the beautiful woods of the preserve. We will enjoy a wonderful afternoon of music and community featuring Tom Rice and Friends. Tom and Friends will play an eclectic mix of 60's and 70's blues, soul and rock n' roll- from the blues of Robert Johnson and Sonny Boy Williamson to favorites by The Band, Van Morrison, Little Feat and Bob Dylan.

Fully vaccinated guests are asked to have a mask in hand. Unvaccinated guests are asked to wear their masks. Advance ticket purchases are required. No walk in ticket sales. Seating capacity and parking is limited, so carpooling is strongly suggested. Plan to arrive at 3:30 pm to hike to the Ampitheatre. All ages. Member fee is \$20. Non-member fee is \$25. Proceeds from ticket sales directly support Schiff and the musicians. This event will occur shy of extreme heat, rain or thunderstorms. Refunds will automatically be processed in the event of a cancellation.



Summer in the Park 2021 by the Mendham Borough Recreation Department

Sunday, June 27 @ 6:30 pm - Concert
"Carnaby Street"

Wednesday, July 7 @ sunset - Movie
"Inside Out"

Sunday, July 11 @ 6:30 pm - Concert
"80s Airwaves Band"

Sunday, July 25 @ 6:30 pm - Concert
"The Harrisons"

Wednesday, July 28 @ sunset - Movie
"Incredibles" DRIVE-IN

Sunday, August 1 @ 6:30 pm - Concert
"Kimon" w/ "Gina Petro"

Monday, September 6 @ 11:00 am -
Labor Day Carnival with Concert
"The Altman Brothers"

Saturday, October 2 @ 11:00 am
Mendham Borough Food Truck Festival

MENDHAM FOOD TRUCK & MUSIC FESTIVAL



Yoga in the Park

Yoga Instructor and
Borough Resident Nathalie
Masse has offered to teach
free Yoga classes for Borough
Residents. Bring your yoga
mat, beach towel or props
and come unwind!

Tuesday Evenings at 6:30pm
June 29th
July 6th
July 13th
July 20th

No Experience Needed, All Levels Welcomed!

Please register at: <https://buttonwoodfarmliving.as.me/>

Bring your yoga mat, beach towel or props and come unwind!

Location: In front of the Gazebo at Borough Park

Mayor's Letter (continued from page 1)

As a lifelong resident of Morris County, John has been involved in fire service for half of his life, over sixteen years. He started as a volunteer firefighter in high school in Rockaway Township, where he grew up. This led to a career in fire management and he holds a variety of professional certificates.

John is happily married with a nearly two-year-old son. When he is not educating others about fire safety, he likes to play piano and drums. To make sure he does not get too far away from fire management he spends his spare time at his favorite pastime: safely grilling and smoking in the great outdoors!

Later this year John will be performing outreach to our senior community to help keep them their homes safe from fires.

What's new:

Do you have a special birthday or anniversary in the family you want to share with your neighbors? Email me your special dates and we will post them in our Mendham Messenger: cglassner@mendhamnj.org

That's all for this issue. Enjoy the Summer in our beautiful hometown of Mendham Borough!

Sincerely,
Christine Serrano Glassner
Mayor, Mendham Borough



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Borough Calendar for July 2021

Curbside Bulk Pickup

Tuesday, July 6 and Mondays, July 12, 19 & 26

Recycle - Thursdays, July 8, 15, 22 & 29

Borough Council Meeting - at the Garabrant Center, 7 pm on Monday, July 26

ECOSST - at the Garabrant Center, 7:30 pm on Monday, July 12

Historic Preservation - at the Garabrant Center, 7:30 pm on Monday, July 19

Joint Land Use - at the Garabrant Center, 7:30 pm on Tuesday, July 20

Recreation Commission - 7:30 pm on Thursday, July 18 (Location TBD)

Borough Calendar for August 2021

Curbside Bulk Pickup

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

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ECOSST - at the Garabrant Center, 7:30 pm on Monday, August 2

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Joint Land Use - at the Garabrant Center, 7:30 pm on Tuesday, August 17

Recreation Commission - 7:30 pm on Thursday, August 19 (Location TBD)

Town Offices will be closed Monday, July 5 and Monday, September 6.

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