

The Mendham Messenger

June 2019

Mayor's Update

Dear Residents and Business Owners,

Our staff is hard at work making updates and finding us numerous ways to save money. This is particularly important with the rising costs we face on items we purchase as well as services. One significant area that we are working on to keep our costs down is our drop-off recycling program.

You may have read a well published article in the New York Times a couple of months ago that detailed the recycling crisis we are all facing throughout the country. In 2018 China created tighter restrictions for receiving recycled materials and this change put operational and cost strains on small towns like ours. With our bill from Blue Diamond doubling in one year, and requests for additional fees going forward, we put our detective hats on and set out to find a way to keep these costs more in line with what our budget allows. Council asked our DPW staff to start surveying folks that brought their recycling to our facility. More and more they found that non-Borough residents were taking advantage of our generosity. We needed to act, so we passed a new ordinance stating that only Borough residents and business owners could use our recycling facility. Since that time we have put up new signs, installed security cameras to check license plates, and have strictly monitored our recycling dumpsters. In a short period of time Jeff and his crew have seen a reduction in deposits by over 20%. This reduction in tonnage will be extremely helpful to us when we put our recycling program out to bid next year.

A reminder that electronics recycling is only available on Saturdays. We have ordered a new 10' x 10' shed for our residents to put their electronics recycling in along with a large sign of what is accepted (also on our website). We do not recycle all electronics, so please check the list before you make the trip to the DPW facility.

Committee Updates: Recreation

Summer is almost here and as always Bruce DiBisceglie, our Director of Recreation has lots of

activities planned. In June we will again host the food truck festival, summer day-camp begins, and our first concert in the park will take place the last Sunday, June 30th. Pack up a picnic basket and come on out!

Who's Who In Mendham:

Can you believe Karen Orgera has worked for us here in the Borough for 22 years! That's not impossible to do when you start out working while still attending Mendham High School, as Karen did. She is a born and bred Mendhamite who chose with her husband, Rob, to continue their lives in our area and send their children to our local schools. When she started she was new to the working world and provided the town with cleaning services for our municipal buildings. She did such a great job that she has been continually promoted until she has now become your "go to" person in the Bowers Building. Whether it's paying your sewer bill or tax bill, applying for day camp or picking up construction docs, Karen can either help you directly or get you to the person you need to speak with. Next time you are near the Bowers Building stop in and say hello to Karen and thank her for her many years of taking care of our Mendham needs.

What's new

Look out for revitalized tennis courts near the firehouse! In the coming weeks the old courts will be given a new purpose and turfed for small field practice for numerous ball sports. This project comes to you compliments of our soccer partners, West Morris Soccer Club.

More next month!

Respectfully yours,

Christine Serrano Glassner

Mayor, Mendham Borough

MENDHAM FOOD TRUCK & MUSIC FEST

June 15, 2019 11AM-7PM

Mendham Borough Park
Park Ave & Mountain Ave,
Mendham, NJ





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News from the Mendham Borough Library

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



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May 2019

Dear Neighbor,

The Mendham Borough Library has been serving Mendham Borough for over 100 years, not only providing books and other Library materials but also programs and events designed to inform and entertain Borough residents. But, unlike most libraries in our area, the Mendham Borough Library is **NOT** a municipal library.

Because we are not a municipal library, we don't automatically receive a fixed amount of government funding each year. While the library does receive meaningful funds from the Borough of Mendham, the amount provided is less than we would receive as a municipal library and does not cover our operating expenses. Thus, contributions from individual Borough residents are crucial to our ability to serve the community.

Your Library is a busy place. In 2018, contributions from Borough residents helped support a circulation of more than 40,000 items among our 2500 cardholders, as well as almost 600 programs for children and adults.

Children's programs included not only such favorites as Sing-a-Longs, Story Time and our Homework Tutoring program, but also projects focusing on Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM). This summer we will be offering programs on wildlife, science and music and our summer reading theme is SPACE, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Apollo moon landing.

Adult programs include Device Advice (help with your electronic devices on most Wednesday afternoons), Yoga, Bridge, Book Clubs and Canasta. Evening programs for adults are varied and wide ranging. This year, among others, we presented programs such as "Mysteries of Grand Central Station," "Attracting Birds to your Backyard," and "Saving the Monarch Butterfly".

Please help us to continue to respond to the needs of our community with a contribution to the Library this year.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Moore
President, Board of Trustees

P.S. - Make sure to go to our website, mendhamboroughlibrary.org to learn more about our programs, current happenings at the library or to check out books and other materials. You can also donate **online!**

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2019 LIBRARY ANNUAL APPEAL

Yes, I want to help the library.

- \$10 _____ purchases a children's book
\$25 _____ buys a magazine subscription
\$50 _____ buys an adult audiobook
\$100 _____ buys two years of an HBO series
\$300 _____ pays for reading incentives
\$400 _____ buys a museum pass
Other _____

Enclosed is my tax deductible contribution of \$ _____.

Make checks payable to:
Mendham Borough Library or donate
online at mendhamboroughlibrary.org

Whom should we thank for this donation?

Name _____
(s): _____

Please send donations to: Mendham Borough Library
10 Hilltop Road, Mendham, NJ 07945

Upcoming Adult Programs (continued)

Paths to Publishing in 2019

Wednesday, June 19th @ 6:30 pm

Join local authors Kim Sullivan Harwanko and Eileen Harrison Sanchez as they discuss their experiences in self-publishing and the new hybrid publishing model. Mally Becker will moderate the conversation to compare and contrast these alternatives to traditional publishing. *Novel Women* was written by Kim and her book club, explores the lives of fictional book club members. Eileen's historical fiction, *Freedom Lessons*, takes the reader back to the deep south as a small town struggles with the impact of mandated school integration in 1969.

For Kids in June

Programs are for all ages unless otherwise noted.

Toddler Sing-Along—Birth to 5

Mondays @ 10:30 am

Crafternoon—Ages 5+

Mondays June 3rd & 10th @ 3:30 pm

Mondays June 17th & 24th @ 4:00pm

PJ Storytime

Starting June 20th!

Thursdays @ 6:30 pm

Join Miss Tina for a few stories and a fun craft. Pajamas and stuffed animals welcome!

Magic Show

Thursday, June 20th @ 2:00 pm **Held at Brookside Community Center**

Join us as we kick-off our Summer Reading Program at Brookside Community Center with an Amazing Magic Show. Registration required.

Curriers: Storytelling with Animal Balloons

Thursday, June 27th @ 4:00 pm

Storyteller Cheryl Anne mesmerizes all by telling two short stories while creating animal balloon sculptures. Registration required.

Summer Reading Program

June 24th to August 3rd

Stop in the library to register and get your summer reading logs starting June 20th. Read each day and bring in your log each week to get tickets to enter for our fun prizes. Last day for entries will be Wednesday, August 7th.



Upcoming Adult Programs at the Library

June programs will focus on Local Authors
Romance is Coming to Mendham Borough Library

Wednesday, June 5th @ 6:30 pm

Come meet award-winning local author Kimberly Ash (aka Vicky Norton). Enjoy a fun-filled, lively evening as Kimberly discusses her background, her books and her process with Carol Van Den Hende. Wine and light refreshments, as featured in her latest novel, *"Forget Me"*, will be served. Call the library and sign up today!

Author Peggy DeLong "I Can See Clearly Now: A Memoir about Love, Grief, and Gratitude."

Wednesday, June 12th @ 6:30 pm

Peggy DeLong is coming in to discuss her recently published book, *"I Can See Clearly Now: A Memoir about Love, Grief, and Gratitude."* Peggy is a resident of Long Valley, and a psychologist with a private practice in Long Valley. The book includes several mentions of locations in Morris County and Bernardsville. Call the library or go online to sign up today.

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Borough Calendar for June 2019

Curbside Bulk Pickup - Mondays, June 3, 10, 17 & 24

Recycle - Thursdays, June 6 & 20

Borough Council Meetings - at the Garabrant Center,
8 pm on Wednesday, June 12th and Monday, June 24th

Board of Adjustment - at the Garabrant Center,
7:30 pm on Tuesday, June 11

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

ECOSST - at the Garabrant Center,
7:30 pm on Monday, June 3

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

Recreation Meeting - at the Garabrant Center,
7:30 pm on Thursday, June 20

Hilltop Church Garage Sale — June 8th

Hilltop Church will join the Women's Auxiliary of the Ralston Fire Department in the town-wide garage sale scheduled for Saturday, June 8th from 8am to 3pm.

**GARAGE
SALE**

Mendham Business Association Sidewalk Sale

The Mendham Business Association will hold their annual Sidewalk Sale on Friday, June 7th and Saturday, June 8th in the Mendham Village Shopping Center and Uptown in Mendham. Some of the businesses that will be participating in the Shopping Center are Mendham Jewelers, Fashions to fit the American Girl Dolls, Social Graces, LLC (Wedding & Party Planning Service), Knit Items, Scarf Sets, Bookmarks, Ceramics, Lakeland Bank, Washington Street Veterinary Services, Lazer Anything (Personalized Products & Accessories), KKS (Clothing), Handmade Bath and Body Products, Kona Ice, and much more. Mendham Garden Center at 11 West Main will also be participating. There will be a full list on the Mendham Business Association website www.mendhambusiness.com. The crafters will be at the shopping from 10 am to 4 pm. They will be in front of some store fronts and also on the grassy center. Stores in the shopping center and uptown will be open during business hours. Please support the businesses in Mendham that support your community!

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