

The Mendham Messenger

September 2015

Mayor's Update

Dear Residents & Business Owners:

Welcome back from your summer vacation. I hope that it was a restful summer and that you are looking forward to a beautiful fall here in Mendham.

By now, permanent paving of West Main Street should be completed making the trip to Chester and points west easier and smoothing out the various ruts left by the major construction project which occurred this past spring.

The Borough Council and administration kept busy this summer moving forward on a variety of important projects.

- ◆ A contract was awarded for \$147,000 to replace the roof at the firehouse. This was \$27,000 more than the estimated budget.
- ◆ The Planning Board finished their review of a master plan amendment for the land owned by the Sisters of Christian Charity. A public hearing on this matter has been scheduled for the Planning Board Meeting on September 14.
- ◆ Borough employees sorted and cleaned out a large volume of material in the Phoenix House and DPW employees installed new steps and a hand rail in front of the building.
- ◆ An application was filed with the County of Morris for an Open Space Grant to acquire the pasture portion of the Scott property on Mountainside Road. A contract is close to being negotiated with the property owner. If completed and a grant awarded, the Borough will successfully secure and maintain a valuable piece of open space property.
- ◆ The First Aid Squad is scheduled to take delivery of its new ambulance by year end. Further discussions will determine how we use our old ambulance. One option would convert it into a first response vehicle for use at structure fires. Our Office of Emergency Management has also expressed interest in the vehicle. The Borough Council will review all possible ideas and make a

decision later in the year prior to the arrival of the new ambulance.

- ◆ Plans to pave Talmage Road have begun. We expect most of this project to be funded by a state grant already received by the Borough totaling \$294,000. The projected total cost of the job is estimated to be \$355,000.
- ◆ Following the June 30 public presentation of the West Morris Regional High School District Feasibility Study, a copy was provided to the Mendham Borough Board of Education for review and consideration during the month of September. After hearing feedback from the local school board, elected officials in the participating communities will decide how to proceed. Please let your local officials know how you feel about the report.
- ◆ As a sign of the times, the Borough has retired the last remaining pay phone in Mendham which was located in the Garabrant Center. Removal of the seldom used phone will save \$900 per year.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone back in Mendham for the annual Pastime Club Carnival in Borough Park on September 5-7. The activities will conclude on the evening of September 7 with the 50-50 drawing and a fireworks display. The Mendham Borough Labor Day parade is scheduled for Labor Day morning beginning at 9 am. The parade starts at E. Main Street and Tempe Wick Road and ends at the gazebo in Borough Park. Please join me in congratulating Lou Garubo who will be serving as the Grand Marshal and the Pastime Club which is celebrating their 100-year anniversary.

Sincerely,

Neil Henry
Mayor



Mendham Borough
LIBRARY

News from the Mendham Borough Library

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

We invite you to visit with

BEST-SELLING AUTHOR

LINCOLN CHILD

MASTER OF THE TECHNO-THRILLER &
CO-AUTHOR OF THE PRESTON&CHILD THRILLERS

AT OUR FALL FUNDRAISER

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30

SAVE THE DATE

MORE DETAILS COMING SOON. . .



Library celebrates Labor Day

Make sure to visit the Mendham Borough Library Booth during this year's Labor Day Parade. We will be located at 9 Mountain Ave and will have assorted goodies available including free books, yummy snacks, cool stickers and a chance to win free DVD rentals.

Get Thousands of Dollars for your Child's College Education

Thursday, September 17 at 7 pm

Mendham Borough Library will host a workshop on financing your child's college education with Mike Velasco, noted college expert. Learn how to send your kids to the school of their dreams without going broke; how to triple their eligibility for aid; and how to find little known scholarships and grants.

Additional topics will include:

- . Paying for college with the least amount of money out of your pocket;
- . Financing a fancy private school for less than the cost of a state school;
- . Picking a college that will give you the most money;
- . The common mistake most parent make when applying for scholarships;
- . Seven sure-fire strategies to afford your child's dream college;
- . What you should be doing right now if your child is in high school;
- . And other insider secrets that your guidance counselor doesn't know.

Admission is free but seating is limited; please call the library at 973 543-4152 today to reserve a seat.

Yoga at the Mendham Borough Library

Yoga classes will begin again this fall with 8:30 classes on Tuesday *and* Thursday mornings taught by Karen Lonergan. The cost for either 8-week session is \$40; the cost for both is \$80.

Drop-ins are welcome for an \$8 fee per class. The Tuesday session will run from September 8 to October 27 and the Thursday session will run from September 10 to October 29. Sign up at the library. Payments and 2015 Release Form due at sign up.



Farewell to Felipe

Felipe LaBastida, the library's long-time grounds-keeper, custodian and always helpful handyman, will be leaving at the end of September. A fixture at the library for over 30 years, he will be sorely missed. Please join us in wishing Felipe a happy and healthy retirement.

Library Computer Classes Wednesdays at 10 am

Join us on the following Wednesdays at 10 am to learn the latest computer tips and tricks for a variety of your devices. For Mendham Borough Library cardholders only. Registration is required. Please call the library for more information or to register.

September 9: Download FREE Digital Magazines

Read complete digital editions of over 75 popular magazines and keep the magazines as long as you wish. We will teach you how to use this FREE product on your own tablet or phone.



September 16: iPad & iPhone for Beginners

Please bring your iPad or iPhone to learn what great things it can do. Have additional questions? We will help you find the answers.



September 23: 3M eBooks & Audio-Books

Let us help you download the library's eBook app and learn how to use it. Bring your device—iPad, tablet or smartphone to the class. This service is not compatible with e-ink Kindles.



Sept 30: Free Apps for the iPad

Learn about amazing free apps for your iPad. You will need to bring your iPad and your Apple ID password for this class.



A Friendly Reminder

Please do not use Library parking lot for Hilltop School drop off or after-school pick up. We need our limited spaces for library patrons. Thank you!



Every Hero Has a Story!

Highlights from the Library's Summer Programs

Super readers filled the library this summer – taking pictures in our very popular life-size super hero cut out, attending special events like learning the science of super heroes or winning prizes in our annual summer reading program. We also enjoyed weekly visits from the kids in the Borough Camp who heard stories, participated in crafts and attended some of our very special summer events. Pictured below are a few highlights.



Thanks to everyone who participated and don't forget to sign up for our Winter Reading Challenge. More information about this program will be posted in *The Messenger* and on our website.



A visit from certified therapy dogs, Libby and Jasmine, helped kids practice their reading skills while enjoying two super-hero canine helpers.



The summer began with a visit from Rizzo's Reptiles in the nearby Hilltop Church Fellowship Hall. Near the end of July, kids enjoyed a program on the science behind super-heros by Sciencetellers.

New Acquisitions at the Mendham Borough Library

Fiction Books

GBH
A Breath of Snow and Ashes
A Dark Lure
A Paris Affair
A Tree Grows in Brooklyn
After the Storm
Against All Enemies
Among the Ten Thousand Things
The Billion Dollar Spy
Blueprints
Bradstreet Gate
Code of Conduct
Crow Hollow
Deadly Assets
Devil's Bridge
Disclaimer
Eeny Meeny
Eight Hundred Grapes
English Spy
Finders Keepers
The Fixer
Go Set a Watchman
Green Hell
The Harbinger
The Idea of Love
In the Unlikely Event
Invasion of Privacy
Long upon the Land
Long, Tall Christmas
Luckiest Girl Alive
Malice at the Palace
The Marriage of Opposites
Mask
The Naked Eye
Naked Greed
The Negotiator
Nemesis
One Way or Another
Our Souls at Night
Palace of Treason
Pretty Is
Queen of the Trailer Park
Rock with Wings
Ruthless
The Same Sky
Senseless Acts of Beauty

Ted Lewis
 Diana Gabaldon
 Loreth Anne White
 Tatiana De Rosnay
 Betty Smith
 Linda Castillo
 John Gilstrap
 Julia Pierpont
 David E. Hoffman
 Barbara Delinsky
 Robin Kirman
 Brad Thor
 Michael Wallace
 W. E. B. Griffin
 Linda Fairstein
 Renee Knight
 M. J. Arlidge
 Laura Dave
 Daniel Silva
 Stephen King
 Joseph Finder
 Harper Lee
 Ken Bruen
 Jonathan Cahn
 Patti Callahan Henry
 Judy Blume
 Christopher Reich
 Margaret Maron
 Janet Dailey
 Jessica Knoll
 Rhys Bowen
 Alice Hoffman
 Taylor Stevens
 Roy Johansen
 Stuart Woods
 George J. Mitchell
 Catherine Coulter
 Elizabeth Adler
 Kent Haruf
 Jason Matthews
 Maggie Mitchell
 Alice Quinn
 Anne Hillerman
 John Rector
 Amanda Eyre Ward
 Lisa Verge Higgins

Sevенеves
Someday Home
Spiraled
The Truth According to Us
The Water Knife
The Wild Girl
Tom Clancy Under Fire
Trap
Twice In a Lifetime
Voyager
Wicked Charms

Non-Fiction Books

Clinton Cash
The Complete Cook's Country TV Show Cookbook
Elon Musk
Happily Ali After
Lessons from Tara
A Lucky Life Interrupted
Naturalists in Paradise
Pasta by Hand
Primates of Park Avenue

Neal Stephenson
 Lauraine Snelling
 Kendra Elliot
 Annie Barrows
 Paolo Bacigalupi
 Kate Forsyth
 Grant Blackwood
 Robert Tanenbaum
 Dorothy Garlock
 Diana Gabaldon
 Janet Evanovich

Peter Schweizer
 Ashlee Vance
 Ali Wentworth
 David Rosenfelt
 Tom Brokaw
 John Hemming
 Jenn Louis
 Wednesday Martin

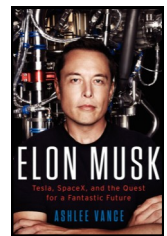
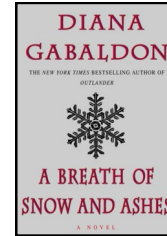
Books on CD

Act of War
Finders Keepers
Kill Again
The Road to Character
The English Spy
The Boston Girl

Brad Thor
 Stephen King
 Neal Baer
 David Brooks
 Daniel Silva
 Anita Diamant

DVDs

Jaws 3 Movie Collection
A Beautiful Mind
Jurassic World
Teen Beach Movie
Teen Beach Movie 2
Jaws
Sarah Plain and Tall
Woman in Gold

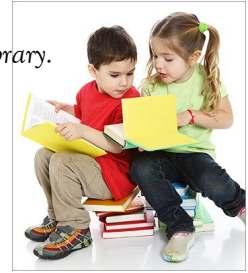


KIDS' FALL PROGRAMS

Please sign up for the following programs by calling or stopping into the library.

Phone: 973-543-4152 or visit us at 10 Hilltop Road, Mendham NJ

www.mendhamboroughlibrary.org



Weekly Programs

Toddler Sing~A-Long Mondays at 10:30 am
(beginning September 14)

Ms. Mary is back to play guitar and lead our littlest patrons in song and play.

Afterschool Book Groups (beginning the week of September 14)

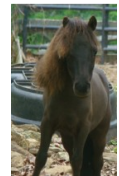
Mondays	3:15 pm	1 st & 2 nd graders
Tuesdays	3:15 pm	Kindergarten Kids
Wednesdays	3:15 pm	3 rd & 4 th graders
Thursdays	2:00 pm	Pre-K
	3:30 pm	Middle School Book Club

Special Programs

Healing Hooves

Friday, September 11 at 3:30 pm

Michelangelo, a miniature therapy horse, will be visiting outside on the lawn. A short talk will be followed by a chance to ask questions. Register on-line or at the library. Open to all ages.



Family Movie Night: Cinderella Wednesday, September 16 at 6 pm

The newest take on this classic fairy tale will be shown in the Fletcher Room on our large screen TV. Drinks and popcorn are provided; open to all ages.



Lego Club

First Meeting: Saturday, September 19 at 12 pm

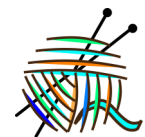
Bring your imagination and the library will supply the Legos. Build different Lego masterpieces on your own or with all your friends. This popular group for all ages meets once a month.



Knitting Club

First meeting: Friday, October 2 at 3:30 pm

Always wanted to know how to make your own beautiful scarves and hats? Learn how on the second Friday of each month at 3:30 pm. Open to those in 2nd grade up.



And looking forward to October. . There will be two special Late Nights at the Library – one featuring the Morris County Museum's Astronomical Society and the other including a visit from the animals at Eyes of the Wild. Look for more information about these special programs soon.

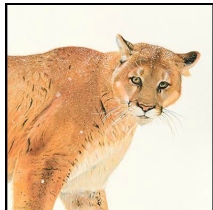
September Events at Schiff

Schiff Nature Preserve is located at 339 Pleasant Valley Rd. in Mendham. Registration for the following events can be found at www.schiffnaturepreserve.org or by calling 973-543-6004. Events are free unless otherwise noted.

Wildlife Artist's Reception & Fundraiser

September 12, 6-9 pm

A wine & cheese artist's reception with renowned wildlife artist James Fiorentino offers a sneak preview of his works, a chance to win a giclee, and music in the Native Plant Garden. Exhibit runs from September 13 to October 18 by appointment. Schiff will receive 30% of all purchases.



Sunday Morning Fitness Hike

September 20, 8 am

Join hike leader and Schiff trustee Janis Slutsky for a brisk 5-mile hike over varied terrain across Schiff Nature Preserve. Meet at McVickers Brook parking lot at 239 Pleasant Valley Road, Mendham. Free for members; \$10 non members.

Stewardship Volunteer Day

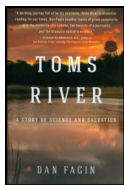
September 27, 9 am-noon

Help take care of Schiff's precious, protected land. Tools will be provided. Scouts and community groups welcome; children under 15 must be accompanied by an adult.

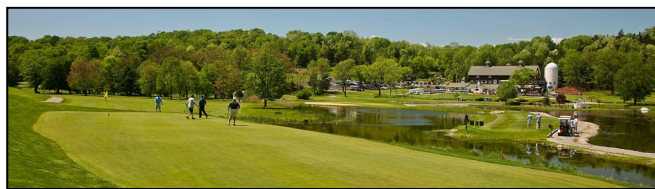
Environmental Book Club

September 29, 7-8:30 pm

September's selection: *Tom's River: A Story of Science and Salvation* by Dan Fagin.



Mendham High School Competitive Cheer's Golf Outing



Farmstead Golf & Country Club

88 Lawrence Road, Lafayette, NJ

Friday, October 9, 2015

1:30 PM Tee Time

\$150 per player, \$60 for dinner guests only

Support our cheerleaders, enjoy a great game of golf, delicious food & a chance to win prizes including a car. Each player will receive lunch on the turn followed by a prime rib dinner.

For more information or to sign up, contact Dan at 973-997-3077 or dgallag@verizon.net

Save the date

Join Kings Food Markets in Mendham for our Grand Reopening taking place on Friday, September 18 and Saturday, September 19. On Friday, the first 200 customers will receive a culinary gift. Other events on both Friday and Saturday include: fall tasting events from 11am - 2pm and free customer consultations and store tours from King's nutritionist from 11 am - 3 pm. On Saturday, the store will have a fall themed photo booth available free for their customers.

Raritan Headwater Association Country Fair

Sunday, October 4 from 11:30 am to 4:30 pm, rain or shine

Fairview Farm Wildlife Preserve, 2121 Larger Cross Road, Bedminster

Heralding the start of autumn since 1980, Raritan Headwaters Association's "Old Fashioned Country Fair" attracts thousands of people each year to the day's festivities. Returning this year will be the ever-popular Clydesdale wagon rides, sheep shearing and pumpkin painting, as well as local artisan vendors, entertainment by the popular local band Hub Hollow and food prepared by the Pottersville Fire Dept. RHA is excited to announce the addition to the fair this year of a children's educational center, as well as the food truck Tony's Travelling Trattoria. Admission is \$25 per car and all proceeds benefit RHA's education, water quality protection, and land stewardship programs. For more information, including directions, visit www.raritanheadwaters.org.

Interested in volunteering at the event? Please contact Danielle at dwolfrum@raritanheadwaters.org or 908-234-1852, x319 or to sign up. High school students may volunteer for community service hours.



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Be Bear Safe

“Black bear sightings and incidents across the state, in general, have declined for the past few years, especially as we reduce the number of bears overall and people better understand how to coexist with them,” said Dave Chanda, director of the State Division of Fish and Wildlife. “However, in some areas of the state where bears have been far less common, residents may be alarmed to encounter bears. We urge people to be cautious when encountering bears, but there is no need for alarm.”

You can reduce the risk of interactions with bears by taking a few simple steps. Most important, do not feed bears, intentionally or unintentionally. Bears that learn to associate food with people, and their homes and living areas, can become nuisance bears that forage in neighborhoods looking for easy sources of food. It is illegal to intentionally feed black bears in New Jersey and punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000. But a more common problem is unintentional bear feeding by homeowners. Secure your trash and eliminate obvious sources of food, such as pet food on decks, easy-to-reach bird feeders, or food residues left in barbecue grills. In areas regularly frequented by bears, livestock and beehives should be protected with properly installed electric fences.

The following tips can help:

- Use certified bear-resistant garbage containers if possible and wash garbage containers frequently with a disinfectant solution to remove odors. Put out garbage on collection day, not the night before.
- Avoid feeding birds when bears are active.
- Immediately remove all uneaten food and food bowls used by pets fed outdoors.
- Clean outdoor grills and utensils to remove food and grease residue. Store grills securely.
- Do not place meat or any sweet foods in composts.
- Remove fruit/nuts that fall from trees in your yard.
- Properly installed electric fencing is an effective way of protecting crops, beehives and livestock.
- If you encounter a bear remain calm and do not run. Make sure the bear has an escape route. Avoid direct eye contact, back up slowly and speak with a low, assertive voice.

Report bear damage, nuisance behavior or aggressive bears to the Wildlife Control Unit of the DEP’s Division of Fish and Wildlife at (908) 735-8793.

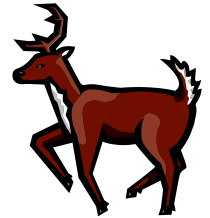


During evenings and weekends, residents should call their local police department or the DEP Hotline at (877) WARN-DEP.

To learn more about avoiding problems with black bears visit: http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/bearfacts_education.htm and http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/bearfacts_avoid.htm For more information on the Christie Administration’s Comprehensive Black Bear Management Plan, visit: <http://www.nj.gov/dep/fgw/bearpolicy10.htm>

Deer Management Program

The Mendham Borough Police Department will again be overseeing the Deer Management Program for the 2015 season. This will start on September 12 and end in February. This program helps reduce potentially dangerous motor vehicle crashes that involve deer, and it also helps to prevent the damage that deer cause to the surrounding landscape and agriculture. Archery hunters will be stationed in some municipal parks and also on participating private properties throughout the Borough. Most hunting will take place during dusk and dawn. If you would like to have your property evaluated for the possibility of joining this program, please contact Detective Christopher Irons at irons@mendhamnj.org or 973-543-7827.



Mendham First Responders’ Third Annual Golf Outing

Monday, September 28

At the Mendham Golf & Tennis Club

The Mendham Borough and Mendham Township First Responders are hosting their 3rd annual Golf Outing on Monday, September 28 at the Mendham Golf and Tennis Club. All proceeds will benefit the Mendham Borough PBA, Mendham Township PBA, Mendham Borough Fire Department, Mendham Borough First Aid Squad, Mendham Township First Aid Squad, Brookside Fire Department, and Ralston Fire Department. The price for each golfer is \$250, which includes lunch and dinner. Tickets for the dinner only can be purchased for \$95. You can also support this event by providing donations for the silent auction or by purchasing hole sponsorships. All tickets must be purchased in advance. For more information please contact Chris Irons (pbalocal384@gmail.com) or ask any Mendham First Responder.

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Borough Calendar for September 2015

Curbside Bulk Pickup—Tuesday, September 8 & Mondays, September 14, 21 & 28

Recycle - Thursdays, September 3 & 17

Borough Council Meetings - at the Garabrant Center, 8 pm on Tuesday, September 8 & Monday, September 21

Board of Adjustment - at the Garabrant Center, 7:30 pm on Tuesday, September 1

Open Space Advisory Committee - at the Phoenix House, 7 pm on Thursday, September 10

Planning Board Meeting - at the Garabrant Center, 8 pm on Monday, September 14

Recreation Meeting - at the Phoenix House, 7:30 pm on Wednesday, September ??

Environmental Commission - at the Phoenix House, 8 pm on Thursday, September 17

Historic Preservation Commission - at the Phoenix House, 7:30 pm on Monday, September 21



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