

The Mendham Messenger

December 2014

Mayor's Update

Dear Residents and Business Owners,

With the new year approaching, our municipal government is preparing to reorganize for 2015.

When the borough council holds its first meeting of 2015, it will be the first time in 26 years that Councilman Lou Garubo will not be there to vote on our reorganization agenda. Lou did not seek re-election to a ninth consecutive council term in order to spend more time relaxing with his family.

Lou joined the council in 1988 and is the longest serving elected official in Mendham Borough history. He oversaw varied issues during his tenure on the council including many years on the board of adjustment. According to Lou, his biggest achievement came when he served as the council's public safety liaison and the council was assessing a merger of the borough and township police departments. Lou's efforts to set up funding for a feasibility study ultimately led to a 4-3 vote with then Mayor Richard Kraft breaking a tie. This led the way for the feasibility study and ended discussions of the merger.

Lou raised three daughters, Christa, Joanna and Michele, who excelled in soccer and track. Lou contributed countless hours to coaching them on borough recreation teams. An athlete himself, Lou was a longtime member of the Mendham Men's Softball League. He played on a number of championship teams including the Mendham Jaycees, Jerry Jones Mack, House of Charm and Betamack. Lou will always be remembered for turning his ankle around 180 degrees while sliding into third base during one of the many games he played at Borough Park. (I am not sure if he was out or safe!)

In addition to civic duties, Lou has been a long time businessman in our community. He was one of the first tenants in the Mendham Village Shopping Center where he owned and operated the House of Charm Hair Salon. He and his wife Becky presently own and operate Blue Ridge Pool and Fireplace which is also located in the shopping center.

Lou's neighbors have benefited from his service over the years. He is always available to lend a hand and is an expert in pumping out basements, plowing driveways, and taking people to the emergency room. Lou is also well known for saving several sheep from certain death on Main Street during the Great Sheep Escape episode of 1984 which long-time residents may remember.

As your Mayor, it has been an honor and privilege serving with Lou for 14 years. We quickly became friends when I joined the council in 2001. I could always count on Lou to tell it the way it is and to provide a historical perspective on important issues that had been examined under earlier governing bodies.

Please join me in thanking Councilman Lou Garubo for his years of dedicated service and wishing him the best of luck in retirement.

Warm regards for a happy holiday season.

Sincerely,

Neil Henry, Mayor

Hilltop Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 7 at 4 pm
Hilltop Presbyterian Church,
20 Hilltop Road, Mendham



Historic Hilltop Church will be filled with joyful sounds of the season during this special concert. The combined 80-voice choir includes members of the Hilltop Choir and the Jefferson High School Chamber Choir, accompanied by orchestra and organ, and directed and conducted by James A. Wynne. The concert features old favorites along with selections by Sir John Rutter, Vivaldi, Berlioz and Handel.

Adult tickets are \$10 and student tickets are \$5. They are available before the concert at Hilltop House, 14 Hilltop Rd. This promises to be a sold-out event, so please get your tickets early.



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News from the Mendham Borough Library

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The library is so grateful to the many people and businesses who supported our October fundraiser. It was a terrific evening of fun and friends with an exceptional auction that exceeded our fundraising goals. Special thanks to the members of the Mendham Borough Library Board of Trustees, the Friends of the Library and other key volunteers for their help in putting this event together.

Please help us show our thanks by supporting the following businesses who donated to the auction: Pines and Needles, New Agency Partners, Harvest Restaurant Group, Simply Country, Fun House, Woven Floors, The Chocolate Shoppe, Social Graces, Mendham Interiors, Gary's Wine & Marketplace, Firm Body Fitness, Kings, The Black Horse, Piatinno, Bernards Inn, Windswept Boutique, Cecil Diaz, The Grand Café, Grand Bazaar, Dante's, Café Azzuro, Coco Luxe, Mendham Jewelers, Katanya Boutique, Foot Candy, Para L'Elle, Mennen Arena, Shop Rite of Chester, and Mendham Health & Racquet Club.

Best Questions in 2014

Did you know that you can get answers to many questions at the library in addition to books, magazines and movies? Here's some of our favorites from the last year. What can we answer for you in the new year?!

- ◆ What's the best genealogy software?
- ◆ My passport expired and I fly to Canada tomorrow; how do I get an emergency passport?
- ◆ How can I get medical articles without paying for them?
- ◆ What is the percent of married women who earn more than their spouses/partners?
- ◆ What's the history of the Black Horse Tavern?

Using resources both in the library and on-line, we can help you answer questions big and small. Come in and let us teach you how to research like a librarian.

Programs for Young People

Please come in or call to sign up.

Chess Club – Thursday, December 11 at 6:30 pm

Knitting Club – Friday, December 12 at 3:30 pm

Lego Club – Saturday, December 20 at 12 pm

Winter Bingo – Monday, December 29 at 1 pm

Beat the Winter Blues

Holiday Reading Program

EXTENDED to Friday, January 2

The Holiday Reading Program is here!! Elementary school children (and younger) can join in by logging their reading hours at the library. Middle and High School readers can stop by the Teen Room and enter a weekly drawing for prizes.

Holiday Party

Friday, January 2 at 1 pm

Celebrate the end of our Holiday Reading Program with a prize party. There will be a special snack and prizes for all kids who participated.



Questions, Thoughts, Suggestions??

What was your favorite children's program in 2014? Or your least favorite? Are we missing books by a new, great author? Let us know what you think about our programming and services. Please share your ideas with our children's librarian, Amanda Ort, at amanda.ort@mendhamboroughlibrary.org

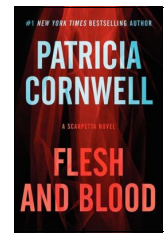
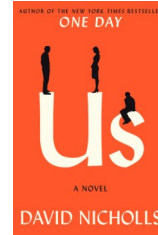
New Books & DVDs

Non-Fiction

<i>How We Got to Now</i>	Steven Johnson
<i>Make It Ahead</i>	Ina Garten
<i>Not That Kind of Girl</i>	Lena Dunham
<i>No Hero</i>	Mark Owen
<i>Smoke Gets In Your Eyes</i>	Caitlin Doughty

Fiction

<i>Betrayed</i>	Lisa Scottoline
<i>Blue Labyrinth</i>	Douglas Preston
<i>The Book of Strange New Things</i>	Michel Faber
<i>The Burning Room</i>	Michael Connelly
<i>Blood Magick</i>	Nora Roberts
<i>The Chocolate Corpse</i>	JoAnna Carl
<i>The Cinderella Murder</i>	Mary Higgins Clark
<i>The Escape</i>	David Baldacci
<i>Five Minutes Alone</i>	Paul Cleave
<i>Flesh and Blood</i>	Patricia Cromwell
<i>Havana Storm: A Dirk Pitt Novel</i>	Clive Cussler
<i>Hope to Die</i>	James Patterson
<i>An Island Christmas</i>	Nancy Thayer
<i>Jane & the Twelve Days of Christmas</i>	Stephanie Barron
<i>The Job</i>	Janet Evanovich
<i>Lila</i>	Marilynne Robinson
<i>A Map Of Betrayal</i>	Ha Jin
<i>Mermaids In Paradise</i>	Lydia Millet
<i>The Mistletoe Promise</i>	Richard Paul Evans
<i>The Narrow Road to the Deep North</i>	Richard Flanagan
<i>A New York Christmas</i>	Anne Perry
<i>On the Edge</i>	Edward St. Aubyn
<i>The Paris Winter</i>	Imogen Robertson
<i>Pegasus</i>	Danielle Steel
<i>Private India: City on Fire</i>	James Patterson
<i>Scandal in the Secret City</i>	Diane Fanning
<i>Tonight and Always</i>	Nora Roberts
<i>Us</i>	David Nicholls
<i>The Wolf in Winter</i>	John Connolly



Large Type

<i>The Dream Merchant</i>	Fred Waitzkin
<i>Flight of the Sparrow</i>	Amy Belding Brown
<i>Friday Nights</i>	Joanna Trollope
<i>Glorious</i>	Jeff Guinn
<i>Grand Central</i>	Karen White
<i>The Promise</i>	Ann Weisgarber
<i>See Now Then</i>	Jamaica Kincaid
<i>The View from Here</i>	Cindy Myers

Books on CD

<i>The Bootlegger</i>	Clive Cussler
<i>Castles</i>	Julie Garwood
<i>Havana Storm: A Dirk Pitt Novel</i>	Clive Cussler
<i>Personal: A Jack Reacher Novel</i>	Lee Child
<i>Yes Please</i>	Amy Poehler
<i>Edge of Eternity</i>	Ken Follett

DVDs

<i>And So It Goes</i>
<i>Begin Again</i>
<i>Dolphin Tale</i>
<i>Dolphin Tale 2</i>
<i>Expendables 3</i>
<i>The Giver</i>
<i>Guardians of the Galaxy</i>
<i>If I Stay</i>
<i>Newsroom: The Complete Second Season</i>
<i>November Man</i>
<i>Planes: Fire and Rescue</i>
<i>Tammy</i>



More Magazines coming to Zinio in 2015

Zinio, the on-line magazine subscription service at the library will have a total of 73 free magazines available for library cardholders in 2015. This will include Architectural Digest, Vogue, Bon Appetit, Bloomberg Business, Bicycling, Mother Earth News, The New Yorker and Family Fun. You choose the magazines that you want and download them each month to your tablet, phone or computer.

LIBRARY HOLIDAY HOURS

Wednesday, December 24 - Friday, December 26: Closed

Saturday, December 27: Open 10 am to 5 pm

Wednesday, December 31: Closing at 2 pm

Thursday, January 1: Closed

Friday, January 2: Open 10 am to 5 pm

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Borough Calendar for December 2014

Curbside Bulk Pickup -

Mondays, December 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29

Recycle - Thursday, December 11 & Monday, December 22

Borough Council Meetings - at the Garabrant Center,
8 pm on Monday, December 1, 15 & 22

Board of Adjustment - at the Garabrant Center,
7:30 pm on Tuesday, December 2

Recreation Meeting - at the Phoenix House,
7:30 pm on Wednesday, December 10

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

Environmental Commission - at the Phoenix House,
8 pm on Thursday, December 18

Historic Preservation Commission - at the Phoenix
House, 7:30 pm on Monday, December 15

*Borough Offices will be closed on
Thursday and Friday, December 25 &
26.*



Contribute to Mendham Borough Schools

Here are two ways all borough residents can help our local schools.

Getting a new iPhone for the holidays?

You can donate your old one to the HSA Green Initiatives Committee for recycling. They are also collecting digital cameras, iPods, GPS units and scientific calculators.



Submit your Box Tops

You will find these symbols on the top of many everyday products like boxes of cereal or sandwich bags. Each box top is worth ten cents and they can add up fast if we all clip and contribute. There are collection boxes at the schools and at the library.



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