

The Mendham Messenger

September 2009

Mayor's Update

Dear Residents & Business Owners:

I hope your summer was enjoyable and you are preparing for all that fall has to offer.

The summer months proved to be quite busy for the Borough Council. As you may have read in the local papers, we ended our inter-local agreement which proposed a joint library with the Township of Mendham. The council decided that additional borrowing for a new library was not in our best interest because of the present state of the economy and because there are other priorities which were listed in the recently completed master plan. The council also believes that most of our residents are very happy with the service of our existing library (not to mention the location!)

Our Department of Public Works Department concluded a very successful "Shredder Day," which was held in conjunction with the Environmental Commission's Electronics Recycling Day. Over the summer, the DPW will complete milling and paving several streets including Halstead and Prospect Streets and they will continue the very successful brush pick-up service which has received high reviews.

Our Police Department participated in the Annual Night Out in early August at the Mennen Arena. Officer Barnes continues to recover from extensive leg injuries suffered while on duty. Our best wishes also go out to Sgt. Libertino who sustained severe injuries in an off-duty motorcycle accident. We hope to see both Lee and Pat back on our streets as soon as they are able to return to duty.

The Recreation Department concluded another successful day camp and is looking forward to another exciting Labor Day Parade. This year's Grand Marshal is former Mayor Mike Ackerman. Mike is being recognized for the countless hours he served Mendham Borough as our Mayor and Councilman. Please join me in thanking Mike for the many ways he has contributed to our community.

The Mayor's Ad Hoc Committee continues to review our position on the New Jersey Highlands

Regional Master Plan. The Planning Board, in conjunction with the Borough Council, is also reviewing updates to our property maintenance code ordinance and will be considering a proposed ordinance on occupancy limitations.

Please continue to monitor all borough activities by way of our new and improved website at www.mendhamnj.org.

Sincerely,

Neil Henry
Mayor

Mendham Borough Board of Education News

We welcome visiting guest teacher Chen Qianqian, who will lead classes for 5th and 6th graders, on Chinese culture and language at Mountain View during the 2009-2010 school year. Ms. Chen will also teach elementary students in Mendham Township and Washington Township. Ms. Chen is a graduate of Hunan University, one of China's top universities, where she has been teaching English for the past 14 years. The districts received a grant from the College Board and Hanban toward salary costs.

Parents please mark your calendars for the schools' annual Back-to-School Nights. Hilltop School's will be held on Thursday, September 24 and Mountain View Middle School's will be held on Thursday, October 1. More information on these events will be available shortly after school begins.

Please join us at our next board meeting on September 22 for more information about this program or other board matters. You can also find more B.O.E. information at: www.mendhamboro.org.





Mendham Borough
LIBRARY

News from the Mendham Borough Library

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



Renovating the Children's Room How You Can Help

Over the fall of 2009, we will be renovating the children's room in the Mendham Borough

Library in memory of Julia Metzler. A theater, puppets, dress-up clothing and jungle animals will transform the room. The library has already received major monetary gifts for the renovation from the Metzler and Helene families and specific items have been chosen for the room by the Metzler family and the Library Board of Trustees. You can help with this renewal for all of Mendham's children by making a contribution to the library or by contributing towards the purchase of the following pre-selected items: puppets, dress up clothes, books, computer table, book shelves, and comfortable seating. Please contact Pat Charney, Library Director, for information about additional giving opportunities. Gifts can be sent to the Mendham Borough Library at 10 Hilltop Road, Mendham, NJ 07945.

Yes, we would like to support the library and the renovation of the Children's Room in memory of Julia Metzler. We would like to...

- Buy a book. \$20
- Adopt a puppet. \$30
- Supply dress up clothes. \$50
- Contribute to computer tables/chairs. \$250
- Buy bookshelves or seating \$600
- Make a general contribution to the Library. ..\$????

Name: _____

Address: _____

Blooms for Books Report

Set in the middle of an unusually rainy spring, the sun came out for the Mendham Borough Library's first Garden Tour, *Blooms for Books*, on May 7, 2009. Over 125 people visited eight beautiful gardens in the center of the Borough. Walking, biking or riding from home to home gave visitors a great chance to enjoy a day out in our village. Many homeowners were on hand to talk about their gardens and share tips on creating such singular spaces. Special thanks to the homeowners - the Greccos, Dubnoffs, Wilcocks, Cusanos, Kellys, Gilligans, Gatzkes and Foersters, who spent countless hours preparing their yards for this tour.

The day was capped off with a cocktail party at Deborah Stryker's elegant home on Main Street. We are most grateful for the countless other volunteers, too many to mention, who helped make the day such a success. There were helpers in each garden, cooks who prepared hors d'oeuvres for the cocktail party, helpers in planning the event and writers for the tour book and publicity. Your contributions were all pivotal in creating a great day celebrating Mendham's gardens and the library. All funds raised support book purchases though the Friends of the Mendham Borough Library.

Landscape Paintings in the Fletcher Gallery

Meet Carol Johnson at an artist's reception on
Saturday, September 12 from 1 to 3 pm

The Fletcher Gallery will display Carol Johnson's landscape and house paintings. Carol started painting while earning a B.A. in music education at Douglass College and is currently studying with Eleanor Morehouse of Somerset. Her work has also been influenced by classes taken in Italy using egg tempera and watercolor with Fred Wessel and Jeremiah Paterson of the Hartford Art School.

Carol creates her landscapes from photographs she has taken throughout the United States, Europe and the Caribbean. Other specialties include painting local birds and the houses of her friends and family.

For Kids at the Mendham Borough Library

SEPTEMBER

Scarecrow Craft

Wednesday, September 16 at 3:15 pm

Fun with Food

Wednesday, September 23 at 3:15 pm
Popcorn corn on the cob craft.

Autumn Bingo

Friday, September 25 at 3:15 pm

FOR THE FALL ~ starting the week of September 14

Sing-A-Longs

For toddlers ~ Mondays at 10:30 am

Songs for our littlest library patrons.

For preschoolers ~ Mondays at 11:45 am

Songs for kids ages 3 and up.

Preschool Story Time

Tuesdays at 10:30 am and 1 pm.

Book Clubs

Mondays	3:30 pm	2 nd graders
Wednesdays	3:30 pm	3 rd & 4 th graders
	7 pm	7 th & 8 th graders
Thursdays	1:55 pm	Kindergarten Kids
	3:30 pm	1 st graders
	3:30 pm	5 th & 6 th graders

NEW BOOKS

FOR KIDS & YOUNG ADULTS

Picture Books

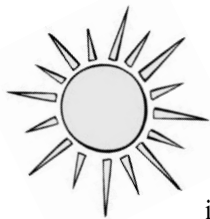
<i>Birthday for Bear</i>	Bonny Becker
<i>Halloween...or Bust!</i>	Jane O'Connor
<i>The Lion & the Mouse</i>	Jerry Pinkney
<i>Lousy Rotten Stinkin' Grapes</i>	Margie Palatini
<i>Monsters Don't Eat Broccoli</i>	Barbara Jean Hicks
<i>Runaway Mummy</i>	Michael Rex
<i>Scarecrow's Dance</i>	Jane Yolen
<i>Stretch</i>	Doreen Cronin
<i>Yummy: Eight Favorite Fairy Tales</i>	Lucy Cousins

Kids' Fiction

<i>Good Night for Ghosts</i>	Mary Pope Osborne
<i>Magician's Elephant</i>	Kate DiCamillo
<i>Notes from the Dog</i>	Gary Paulsen
<i>Siege of Macindaw</i>	John Flanagan

Young Adult

<i>Blood Promise: A Vampire Academy Novel</i>	Richelle Mead
<i>Catching Fire</i>	Suzanne Collins
<i>Going Bovine</i>	Libba Bray
<i>Shiver</i>	Maggie Stiefvater
<i>Sunset Boulevard: A-list</i>	Zoey Dean
<i>Suspicion</i>	Kate Brian



Summer Reading Challenge Report

The MBL's July Summer Reading Program for kids offered two great shows, one fun ice cream party and 998 hours of kids reading. Beginning in late June with a show called *Grace the Pirate*, audience members became part of the cast challenging the dreaded pirate Blackbeard. In July, Dom Rizzo of Rizzo's Reptiles returned to showcase and talk about snakes and other scaly creatures. We had to hold the reptile talk at Hilltop School because we couldn't fit everyone at the Borough Library!! Both shows were sponsored jointly with the Mendham Township Library.

Reading countless books, the 87 kids in our summer reading program logged 998 hours of reading and enjoyed coming in for their weekly prizes and the end of the season ice cream party. Thanks to everyone who participated and don't forget to join in again during the Winter Holiday Reading Challenge in December.

Fall Library Hours

Monday	9 am ~ 8 pm
Tuesday	10 am ~ 8 pm
Wednesday	9 am ~ 8 pm
Thursday	10 am ~ 8 pm
Friday	9 am ~ 4 pm
Saturday	10 am ~ 4 pm
Sunday	closed

Keep your Eyes On the MBL New Acquisitions This September



*The books below are generally available on the date listed.
We are letting you know when they will be arriving so that you can pre-reserve them at the best place to find new books — the Mendham Borough Library.*

Books

<i>92 Pacific Boulevard</i>	Debbie Macomber	9/1	<i>The Murder of King Tut</i>	James Patterson	9/28
<i>Beneath the Bleeding</i>	Val McDermid	9/1	<i>No Time to Wave Goodbye</i>	Jacquelyn Mitchard	9/15
<i>Bicycle Diaries</i>	David Byrne	9/17	<i>Noah's Compass</i>	Anne Tyler	9/29
<i>Blood's a Rover</i>	James Ellroy	9/22	<i>Nocturnes</i>	Kazuo Ishiguro	9/22
<i>The Brutal Telling</i>	Louise Penny	9/29	<i>The Owl Killers</i>	Karen Maitland	9/29
<i>Capital Offense</i>	William Bernhardt	9/29	<i>The Perfect Christmas</i>	Debbie Macomber	9/29
<i>The Cavalier in the Yellow Doublet</i>			<i>Pilgrims</i>	Garrison Keillor	9/22
	Arturo Perez-Reverte	9/3	<i>Prospect Park West</i>	Amy Sohn	9/1
<i>A Change in Altitude</i>	Anita Shreve	9/22	<i>Rescue Ink</i>	Rescue Ink	9/17
<i>The Coral Thief</i>	Rebecca Stott	9/15	<i>Rough Country</i>	John Sandford	9/29
<i>Dawn Light</i>	Diane Ackerman	9/28	<i>The Scoop</i>	Fern Michaels	9/1
<i>Day After Night</i>	Anita Diamant	9/8	<i>A Separate Country</i>	Robert Hicks	9/23
<i>Dexter by Design</i>	Jeffrey P. Lindsay	9/8	<i>Shake the Devil Off</i>	Ethan Brown	9/1
<i>A Duty to the Dead</i>	Charles Todd	9/1	<i>Shooting Stars</i>	Lebron James	9/8
<i>An Echo in the Bone</i>	Diana Gabaldon	9/22	<i>The Silent Spirit</i>	Margaret Coel	9/1
<i>Evil at Heart</i>	Chelsea Cain	9/1	<i>The Smartest Retirement</i>	<i>Book You'll Ever Read</i>	
<i>The Good Soldiers</i>	David Finkel	9/15		Daniel R. Solin	9/1
<i>The Guinea Pig Diaries</i>	A. J. Jacobs	9/8	<i>Spartan Gold</i>	Clive Cussler	9/1
<i>Hardball</i>	Sara Paretsky	9/22	<i>The Spire</i>	Richard North Patterson	9/1
<i>Hell</i>	Robert Olen Butler	9/1	<i>Spooner</i>	Pete Dexter	9/24
<i>Her Fearful Symmetry</i>	Audrey Niffenegger	9/29	<i>Stitches: A Memoir</i>	David Small	9/8
<i>The Hidden Man</i>	David Ellis	9/3	<i>The Sweet By and By</i>	Sara Evans	9/16
<i>Homer and Langley</i>	E. L. Doctorow	9/1	<i>The Tale of Applebeck Orchard</i>		
<i>Hope for Animals and Their World</i>				Susan Wittig Albert	9/1
	Jane Goodall	9/2	<i>There Goes the Bride</i>	M. C. Beaton	9/29
<i>Hothouse Orchid</i>	Stuart Woods	9/22	<i>The Time of My Life</i>	Patrick Swayze	9/29
<i>How Coffee Saved My Life</i>	Ellie Roscher	9/1	<i>Top Producer</i>	Norb Vonnegut	9/15
<i>Juliet, Naked</i>	Nick Hornby	9/29	<i>Traveling With Pomegranates</i>		
<i>The Last Song</i>	Nicholas Sparks	9/8		Sue Monk Kidd	9/8
<i>Little Bird of Heaven</i>	Joyce Carol Oates	9/1	<i>What Americans Really Want...Really...</i>		
<i>The Lost Art of Gratitude</i>	Alexander McCall Smith	9/22		Frank Luntz	9/15
<i>The Lost Symbol</i>	Dan Brown	9/15	<i>Where Men Win Glory</i>	Jon Krakauer	9/15
<i>The Man Who Loved Books Too Much</i>			<i>The Wolf in the Parlor</i>	Jon Franklin	9/1
	Allison Hoover Bartlett	9/17	<i>The Year of the Flood</i>	Margaret Eleanor Atwood	9/22

Audio Books

<i>Dune Road</i>	Jane Green
<i>Finger Lickin' 15</i>	Janet Evanovich
<i>Swimsuit</i>	James Patterson
<i>The Angel's Game</i>	Carlos Ruiz Zafon
<i>Wishful Drinking</i>	Carrie Fisher
<i>Are You There Vodka, It's Me Chelsea</i>	Chelsea Handler

Large Type

<i>92 Pacific Boulevard</i>	Debbie Macomber
<i>Heartbreak Hotel</i>	Anne River Siddons
<i>Horse Soldiers</i>	Doug Stanton
<i>My Sister's Keeper</i>	Jodi Picoult
<i>Return to Sullivan's Island</i>	Dorthea Benton Frank
<i>Shanghai Girls</i>	Lisa See
<i>Smash Cut</i>	Sandra Brown
<i>Swimsuit</i>	James Patterson
<i>The Diary</i>	Eileen Goudge
<i>The Fixer Upper</i>	Mary Kay Andrews
<i>The Girls from Ames</i>	Jeffrey Zaslow
<i>Twenties Girl</i>	Sophie Kinsella
<i>Under the Radar</i>	Fern Michaels

DVDs

<i>17 Again</i>
<i>Hannah Montana: The Movie</i>
<i>I Love You, Man</i>
<i>Race to Witch Mountain</i>
<i>The Soloist</i>
<i>Sunshine Cleaning</i>

Television Series

<i>Entourage- Seasons 1 & 4</i>
<i>House- Seasons 3 & 4</i>
<i>Lie to Me - Season 1</i>
<i>Mad Men- Season 1</i>
<i>TrueBlood- Season 1</i>
<i>Weeds - Season 4</i>



Deer Management

The Borough Police Department is beginning its annual deer culling program. The season will run from September 2009 to the middle of February 2010. Only bow hunting will be permitted, and Patriots Path and India Brook Park will remain open during the season. To accommodate residents who have concerns about management activities, most hunting will be conducted early morning and late afternoon, leaving natural areas and their trails free from 10 am to 2 pm daily.

Residents who have questions or would like to have their private properties hunted by deer managers should contact Patrolman Chris Hopf at Police Headquarters. Patrolman Hopf can be reached by calling 973 543-2527 or at hopf@mendhamnj.org. Voicemails can also be left at 973 543-2993, ext. 23.

Borough Recreation Report

What a great summer in Mendham! The ball fields were busy with sports, summer concerts were enjoyed by all, and the day camp brought smiles to kids faces. All the activity kept our town's various staff members on their toes. Thirty different organizations requested field time and the Recreation Department accommodated almost 100% of the requests. Even with the fields full of kids and games most days, our Public Works Department did a great job keeping them in terrific shape. Our day camp's success depends on our staff. We'd like to thank them and the parents of the campers for their teamwork for the benefit of the kids.

A reminder from the Mendham Recreation Department – field requests for 2010 must be submitted by December 31, 2009. Also, please submit any letters of interest to work at the Day Camp by February 28, 2009.

New Networking Group in Mendham

Thursday, September 17 at 7 am at the Somerset Hills Bank, 98 East Main St., Mendham

The Mendham Business Association will be starting a discussion group bringing local business people together. Home-based businesses will have a great opportunity to meet store-front business owners. The meeting will provide a venue for conversations about how they can promote each other's services. At this initial meeting a plan and schedule for future meetings for the year will be created. Suggestions of times, days and topics are welcomed. All are welcome, please rsvp to 973 543-2145 by September 14 to 973-543-2145.

Hustle to the 8th Grade Fair — October 3, 2009

October 3 will be a big day in Mendham - the Home School Association will kick off it's inaugural 5K Run before the Mountain View 8th Grade Class runs its annual Fall Fair. Be sure to come out and enjoy the day's festivities.

Family Fun Day
10 am - 3 pm
Mountain View School
100 Dean Road



Mark your calendars! It's time to boogie on down to Mountain View School for the much anticipated annual Family Fun Day, sponsored this year by the Class of 2010. The fair features an extensive array of games, prizes, crafts, baked goods and refreshments, 50/50 raffle, silent bucket auction with lots of goodies, a special boutique, and much more. It is truly an event for the entire family. Proceeds benefit the Class of 2010's 8th grade to trip to Washington DC. So come on and "Catch the Wave" to Family Fun Day (it's also a great place to go for those who've just finished running the Harvest Hustle earlier that morning!).

Lace-Up for Mendham Borough's First 5K **Starting at Borough Park** **from 8:30 - 10 am**

Get ready to take to the streets of Mendham for a fun and active community event. The first-annual Mendham Harvest Hustle 5K Race is sponsored by the Mendham Borough HSA to raise funds for the Borough elementary and middle schools. All racers should arrive at 8 am for check-in at the Borough Park Gazebo. The festivities begin with kids' dashes and a 1K children's fun run at 8:30 am; the 5K race begins at 9 am. Pre-race packet pick-up is also available on Friday October 2, at the gazebo from 4 to 6 pm.

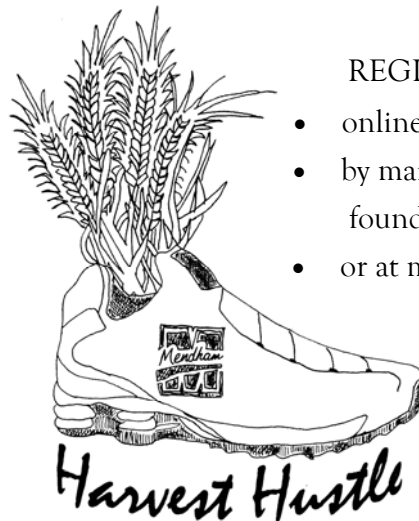
The 5K course winds through residential streets and is certified and sanctioned by the USATF. The 500-point Grand Prix Event will feature official computer timing. Fitness Together of Morristown will lead an energizing pre-race warm-up session. When

the race is underway, participants will be led by an official pace car provided by Maplecrest Ford. After blazing across the finish line, "Catch the Wave" to the Mountain View Middle School Family Fun Day. The first 100 pre-registrants will receive tickets to enter prize drawings at the fair, just steps from the finish chute. Post-race refreshments will include bagels from Chester Bagel and water provided by Turpin Realtors.

An awards ceremony will be held back at the gazebo at 10 am. Medals will be awarded to the top three finishers overall and in five-year age groups. All Kids' Fun Run racers will also receive a finisher's medal. Custom-designed cotton t-shirts are guaranteed to all pre-registrants.

In special tribute, this inaugural race is dedicated to Sergeant Richard Morales. In gratitude for his many years of service in Mendham, a portion of the race proceeds will be used to honor his memory. Additionally, registrants are invited to make a donation to the "Morales Family Fund" via the official race form. These contributions will be forwarded directly to the officer's family on behalf of this grateful community.

Whether you are looking to achieve a non-competitive personal goal or set the course record, race sponsors Girlfriends in Training and Fitness Together are offering training options to help everyone cross the finish line. Expect to see some fast times from our local "elites" and some proud smiles from many first-timers. The cost of registration before September 28th is \$20 for the 5K (\$18 for USATF members) and \$6 for the kids' runs. Race day sign-ups will be \$25 for the 5K and \$10 for the kids' runs by check or cash only.



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- by mail using applications found at local retailers
- or at mendhamboro.org.

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Borough Calendar for September

Curbside Bulk Pickup

Mondays, September 14, 21 & 28

Recycle - Thursdays, September 10 & 24

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 Commission - at the Phoenix House
7 pm on Thursday, September 10

Planning Board Meeting - at the Garabrant Center
7:30 pm on Monday, September 14

Recreation Meeting - at the Phoenix House
7:30 pm on Tuesday, September 15

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

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

Free Brush Pick Up by Borough

You can now call the Borough of Mendham Department of Public Works to schedule curbside brush collection. Please call or email Public Works for an appointment. Brush can no longer be dropped off at our facility but grass and leaves can still be brought in by Borough residents.



Call 973-543-6535 or visit the borough website, www.mendhamnj.org for further information. In addition to grass and leaves, bottles, cans and mixed paper are also accepted at our drop-off center on Ironia Road. The hours are Monday to Friday 7 am - 3 pm and Saturday 8 am - 3 pm.

Yoga at the Mendham Borough Library

Yoga classes will resume this fall at the Mendham Borough Library. The 8:30 am morning classes will be structured in 7-week sessions, one on Tuesdays led by Peggy Hynes and one on Thursdays taught by Karen Lonergan. The cost for either session is \$30; the cost for both is \$60. There is a 10 person minimum sign-up to run the classes and they will have a 15-person maximum. Drop-ins will be permitted, but only at the start of the session if the 15 maximum "subscribed" participants do not attend. The drop-in fee will be \$5 per class. The first session will run from September 8 to October 22 and the second session will run from October 27 to December 17. Sign up at the library or call 973 543-4152 with any questions.

