

The Mendham Messenger

November 2011

Mayor's Update

Dear Residents and Business Owners:

With Thanksgiving right around the corner and a break from our busy daily schedules, please remember how much we all have to be thankful for.

The Mayor and Borough Council will have a second public hearing of a revised ordinance expanding our existing historic preservation zone. Owners of affected properties were sent letters advising them of the public hearing. The current ordinance, created in 2001, was crafted with the input and help of many who reside in that original zone. These regulations have helped preserve Mendham's historic ambiance while not overregulating any affected property owners.

The Tranquility Garden sub-committee has held initial meetings and continues their assessment of how the Borough can best improve the property. The committee includes a good mix of volunteers from the Open Space Advisory Committee, Environmental Commission, Historic Preservation Commission, as well as Councilman Andrus, Administrator Sandman and DPW Superintendent O'Brien. We are also looking into applying for a Morris County Preservation Trust grant to help fund improvements.

The Borough Council is also reviewing our fee ordinance during the month of November to ensure our fees are in line with other towns and cover the expenses incurred on matters associated with these fees.

I am happy to report that our Waste Water Treatment plant was inspected on October 13 and for the fourth consecutive year, the plant passed all check points without exception. The DEP inspector, Mr. Chris Brindle, noted how well-run and clean our plant is and was impressed with our staff's ability to report no fineable occurrences over the last 48 months. Nice job by Superintendent Douglas Wright and his staff!

Finally, thanks to the legislation signed into law earlier this year by Gov. Chris Christie reforming pension costs, Mendham Borough is expected to save approximately \$95,000 in pension payments for 2012.

Best wishes to you and your families for a Happy Thanksgiving.

Neil J. Henry
Mayor

Mendham Junior Women's Club

2nd Annual Wine Tasting
Friday, November 4 at 8 pm
Brookside Community Club

Join us for a wine tasting featuring 60 wines from Wine Country of Bergen County and more than \$1,500 worth of fantastic wine-related raffle prizes. Proceeds from the event and wine sales will help MJWC causes and the Community Soup Kitchen of Morristown. Buy your tickets today at www.mjwc.org. Tickets in advance are \$90 per couple, \$50 per single and at the door are \$100 per couple, \$55 per single.



31st Annual Blood Drive
Tuesday, November 15 from 1- 8 pm
Mendham Fire House

Help us reach our goal this year to collect 75 pints of blood! The MJWC Blood drive collects blood for Morristown and Overlook Hospitals.



Mendham Borough Historical Society Meeting
Tuesday, November 15 at 7:30 pm
at the Garabrant Center

Richard Willis will present a program on the Birth & Life of Lake Hopatcong - from the ice age to the 2000s. Willis will describe Hopatcong's history of Native Americans, rail road transport, tourism, the Morris Canal and steamboats. He will also display photos and artifacts from the lake's long, varied history.

Brookside Community Holiday Boutique
Saturday, November 19 from 9 am - 3:30 pm
at the Brookside Community Club

The Boutique will feature fashions for American Girl Dolls, Thanksgiving and Christmas items, jewelry, Santas and angels, paintings, scarves, hand-knit items, dog items, ornaments, bookmarks, personalized stationery, cards, Longaberger baskets, gift baskets and so much more. Admission is free.



Mendham Borough
LIBRARY

News from the Mendham Borough Library

10 Hilltop Road 973 543-4152 mendhamboroughlibrary.org

*The Mendham
Holiday House Tour*

Saturday, December 3
10 am to 3 pm
\$40 in advance
\$50 on the day of the tour

Walking tour of historic homes
Refreshments at the Library

Sponsored by the
Friends of the Mendham Borough Library

Call 973 543-4152 or visit
www.mendhamboroughlibrary.org for more
information on tickets or how you can volunteer.

Tickets on Sale Now At
The Mendham Borough Library

Volunteers Needed for Tour

Come be a part of the fun on the day of the tour. We are now looking for volunteers to prepare food for the day's volunteer luncheon, to take tickets and attend visitors in the homes. Volunteers in people's homes will receive half-price tickets as a thank you for their time. Please call Pat Charney at 973 543-4152 if you would like to help. If you are not volunteering, start planning now to bring your friends and join us for this popular tour!

Author Talk with Susan Denning Tuesday, December 6 at 7 pm

Mark your calendar for an evening with local author Susan Denning who will talk about her book *Far Away Home* and the process of writing and publishing a historical novel. Denning's book focuses on 16 year old Aislynn Denehy who leaves her New York home in the late 1860s to follow the love of her life across country to a Utah mining town. Join us for great conversation and refreshments.



Programs for Kids

Fun with Food ~ Turkey & Football Cookies
Friday, November 11 at 3:30 pm

Thanksgiving Craft
Friday, November 18 at 3:30 pm

Create a beautiful string of leaves to decorate for Thanksgiving.

Lego Club
Saturday, November 26 from 1 to 2 pm

Have fun building your own Lego creation at the library. Bring your imagination and we'll supply the Legos. All ages welcome. Please call or stop by to register.

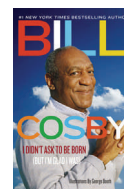
Winter Reading Program December 31, 2011 ~ January 27, 2012

Join in the fun with our Winter Reading Program! Weekly prizes for all participants and final prizes will be awarded to all readers at our Prize Party on Friday, January 27 at 3:30 pm.

Middle and High School readers - enter a weekly raffle for special prizes. One free DVD rental for everyone who signs up in the Teen Room.



New Acquisitions at the MBL



Keep your eyes out for

77 Shadow Street	Dean Koontz	12/27
Believing the Lie	Elizabeth George	1/10/12
Covert Warriors	W.E.B. Griffin	12/27
D.C. Dead	Stuart Woods	12/27
The Forgotten Affairs of Youth	A. McCall Smith	12/6
Gun Games	Faye Kellerman	1/3/12
Red Mist	Patricia Cornwell	12/6

Books

11/22/1963	Stephen King	11/8
Awkward Family Pet Photos	Mike Bender	11/1
Baking with the Cake Boss	Buddy Valastro	11/1
Best Friends, Occasional Enemies	Lisa Scottoline	11/22
Blue Nights	Joan Didion	11/1
The Corn Maiden	Joyce Carol Oates	11/1
A Dark and Lonely Place	Edna Buchanan	11/8
Devil's Gate	Clive Cussler	11/14
The Drop	Michael Connelly	11/29
Explosive Eighteen	Janet Evanovich	11/22
Hotel Vendome	Danielle Steel	11/1
The House of Silk	Anthony Horowitz	11/1
How I Got This Way	Regis Philbin	11/15
I Am Half-Sick of Shadows	Alan Bradley	11/1
I Didn't Ask to Be Born	Bill Cosby	11/1
The Impossible Dead	Ian Rankin	11/21
Kill Alex Cross	James Patterson	11/14
Kill Shot	Vince Flynn	11/1
Lost December	Richard Paul Evans	11/1
The Next Always	Nora Roberts	11/1
No Higher Honor	Condoleezza Rice	11/1
Out of Oz	Gregory Maguire	11/1
The Prague Cemetery	Umberto Eco	11/8
Prince of Ravenscar	Catherine Coulter	11/1
Then Again	Diane Keaton	11/15

The Time of Our Lives	Tom Brokaw	11/1
V is for Vengeance	Sue Grafton	11/21
The Wedding Quilt	Jennifer Chiaverini	11/1
Zero Day	David Baldacci	11/1

Large Type

The Affair	Lee Child
Cutting for Stone	Abraham Verghese
The Drop	Michael Connelly

Audio Books

The Ideal Man	Julie Garwood
Kill Shot	Vince Flynn
Moonwalking with Einstein	Joshua Foer
Swim Back to Me	Ann Packer
The Son of Neptune	Rick Riordan
A Trick of the Light	Louise Penny

DVDs

Beginners	11/15
Cars 2	11/1
The Change-Up	11/8
Crazy, Stupid Love	11/1
Friends with Benefits	12/2
The Hangover Part II	12/6
Harry Potter and The Deathly Hallows: Part 2	11/11
An Invisible Sign	11/1
Larry Crowne	11/15
One Day	11/29
Pirates Of The Caribbean: On Stranger Tides	11/15
Sarah's Key	11/22
Snow Flower and the Secret Fan	11/1
Spy Kids: All the Time in the World	11/22
Super 8	11/22
Water for Elephants	11/1
Win Win	8/23

Library Notes

- The Library will be closed on Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25 for Thanksgiving.
- Thanks for your patience as the library undergoes updates of its computer system and the renovation of our back and front steps. We are working to make our library better for you!

Fletcher Gallery

The Fletcher Art Gallery will have two displays in November. The first is a tribute to Mendham's Veterans prepared by Peggy Oswald. In addition to news clippings and essays, the tribute includes a list of over 1,000 veterans who were born, lived or died in the Mendhams. The general public is invited to add information directly to the list or contact Peggy Oswald at Hank-O@comcast.net. The second display will feature the works of artist Brooke Bennett.

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Borough Calendar for November

Curbside Bulk Pickup

Mondays, November 7, 14, 21 & 28

Recycle - Thursday, November 3 & 17

Borough Council Meetings - at the Garabrant Center,
8 pm on Mondays, November 7 & 21

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

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

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

Open Space Commission - at the Phoenix House,
7 pm on Thursday, November 10

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

Board of Education - in the Hilltop School Cafeteria,
7:30 pm on Tuesday, November 15

*Borough Offices will be closed on Friday, November 11 for
Veteran's Day and Thursday, November 24 & Friday, Novem-
ber 25 for Thanksgiving.*

Reception & Tour at Convent of St. John Baptist

Sunday, November 20 from 2 - 4:30

82 West Main Street, Mendham

Meet honored guests Senator Anthony Bucco and
Assemblyman Anthony Bucco Jr. and tour the con-
vent's historic renovation project.

Casino Night

Saturday, November 12 at 7:30 pm

Mendham Fire Department Fire House

The event, open to anyone 21 and over, will feature
Casino-style games, food, drinks and the opportunity to
bid on and win a variety of prizes such as sports tickets,
products and other local business packages and experi-
ences. Tickets for the event are \$45 in advance, \$50 at the
door, and all proceeds will go directly to Mendham Fire
Department operations. Space is limited. For more infor-
mation on the event, to purchase tickets in advance, or to
donate money or prizes, visit www.mendhamfd.org or con-
tact Tony Telloni at tony.telloni@mendhamfd.netlog.

Christmas Music Concert

*Sunday, December 4 at 4 pm at Hilltop Presbyterian
Church, Tickets: Adult - \$10, Students - \$5*

Camille Saint Saens' beautiful Christmas Oratorio
will be presented along with other familiar inspirational
works for the season. The performance includes the
combined 80 voices of the Hilltop Sanctuary Choir and
the Jefferson High School Chamber Choir accompa-
nied by orchestra and organ, directed and conducted by
James A. Wynne. More information at [hilltop-
church.org](http://hilltop-
church.org) or by calling 973 543-4012.

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