Mayor’s Update

Dear Residents and Business Owners,

    In light of our current health related crisis, now is a good time to bring you up to speed on what we have been doing at the town level to prepare. Although at the time this pandemic hadn’t hit the east coast I decided that we had to begin to take preventive measures. On January 24th we put up our first notice reminding residents to take precautions for Flu season – we did this since we didn’t know enough about the Corona virus at the time and did not want to spread misinformation. Although our Mendham Office of Emergency Management team generally meets monthly, we began convening more frequent meetings to review and discuss our emergency procedures. Our main function in an emergency is to continue providing town services. Additionally, we are attempting to act as a source of information for you during this time. We have been and will continue to post updates from the CDC, county, state and federal governments, as well as our Board of Health. We have also been delivering information directly to our more vulnerable residents to ensure we can account for their health status. I encourage you all to visit our website frequently for regular updates.

    Since the start of the COVID 19 emergency, many residents have asked me about how town officials communicate to the public. We have a variety of means that we use to try to keep our public informed, including the Mendham Messenger. There is printed information available for pick up at the Phoenix House such as meeting minutes, flyers, and promotional information that is sent to us from other organizations. Soon our Recreation booklet will arrive to your mailbox. It will offer lots of information on activities taking place this spring through the fall. Another way that we communicate important information is through our website. We also use official Facebook and Twitter accounts. Like many towns, our first responder units have their own websites, Facebook pages, and Twitter. I have written about this in the past but as a reminder for legal reasons we do not use open source pages on social media since we have specific statutory requirements and we can only fulfill them when we control the source.

Another direct way to stay informed of emergency information is to sign up for Smart911 through our website. Just search up Alert Mendham Borough on our website and it will bring you to the link you need to sign up. Smart911 is particularly helpful if you have special needs and want to make sure our first responders locate you quickly if you are having an emergency. There are many options, it just takes a little action to connect with us.

Who’s Who in Mendham Borough:

    Councilman John Andrews has been dedicated to our Mendham community for over 25 years. Over the years he’s been a member, Committee Chairman and is a Past President of the Pastime Club. He’s served us all on our First Aid Squad as Captain, President, Lieutenant and Quartermaster. He has provided us with many hours of community service by serving on numerous town committees and boards. He’s been a small business owner, providing home improvement services for residents. Early in his career he worked in corporate security for Tiffany & Co. What John is really passionate about is continuing to honor the service and memory of our military veterans. John served in the Marines for eight years and has continued this by leading Marine Cares, a not for profit providing assistance to military members which he founded in 2005. John has just launched our “Home Town Heroes” banner program. If you would like to sponsor a banner you can find out more by visiting our website.

New Appointments:

    I hope you will join me in thanking our fellow residents for stepping up and volunteering for our town. Nancy Fischbach will be representing Mendham Borough on the Mendham TV Board, Mary Kornick will represent Mendham Borough with our Morris County Stigma Free efforts, and Dr. Marilyn Althoff is the newest member of our Mendham Borough Board of Health. Please join me in welcoming them all to the Mendham Borough Team!

All of us in your Borough government wish you good health and warmer weather ahead.

Sincerely,

Christine Serrano Glassner
Mayor, Mendham Borough
The Mendham Borough Library plans on being open in April. Please check our website for further details.

**Adult Programs in April**

“What’s It Worth?” Antiques Road Show  
**Wed., April 8th 6-8 pm**

“WHAT’S IT WORTH?” ANTIQUES ROAD SHOW: Author, Auctioneer, Appraiser and Radio show Host Mike Ivankovich will introduce you to “What Determines Value”… and reveal what your Antiques, Collectibles, and Personal Treasures are really worth today. Each attendee is invited to bring in 1-2 items for Mike to appraise. **This event will fill up fast. Please stop in or call the library to register.**

**Adults Crafts:** Making Spring Flowers  
**Wednesday, April 15th at 6:30 pm**

Local resident Stacie Carangelo is back to show us how to easily make a beautiful spring flower arrangement using paper. Refreshments will be served. Registration is required.

**Gardening with Deer**  
**Wednesday, April 22nd at 6:30 pm**

Please join Marc Zukovich, President, Sterling Horticultural Services and Adjunct Professor of Horticulture, County College of Morris, as he discusses methods of discouraging deer browsing in your garden, and selection of plants that are deer resistant. Slides of plant photos will be shown, and hand-outs will be given. Please bring your questions and call the library to register.

**Weekly Programs For Babies and Toddlers Birth to Age 5**

**Toddler Sing-Along**  
**Mondays @ 10:30 am**

**Baby Playtime**  
**Fridays @ 10:30 am**

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**For Kids in April**

*Programs are for all ages unless otherwise noted. Space is limited and registration is required.*

**Read to a Dog**  
**Monday, April 13th @ 3:30 pm**

Read to a Dog encourages early literacy. Learn to read with those who love to learn.

**Painting with Ms. Dorothy**  
**Tuesday, April 14th @ 3:30 pm**

Come paint your own Koi fish masterpiece on real canvas. *We ask all participants to bring a smock or old t-shirt to wear as they will be working with paint. Ages 6-13. Limited 15 spots.*

**Girls Who Code Showcase**  
**Thursday, April 16th @ 6:00 pm**

Join us as our Girls Who Code Club members present some of the projects they have worked on this year.

**DYO Bookmarks**  
**Monday, April 20th @ 3:30 pm**

Design your own bookmarks with stickers, shaped hole punches, ribbon and crayons/ markers.

**Teen Banking 101**  
**Tuesday, April 21st @ 6:00 pm**

Join us and Ms. Bubet from Peapack-Gladstone Bank, for snacks and a talk about all things banking, from what you need to know when starting your first job and/or going off to college, to money-sharing apps like zelle. Come have all your banking questions answered.

**Bookworm Tote Bags**  
**Wednesday, April 22nd @ 3:30 pm**

Create your own library book tote bag with a cute bookworm or two on it. Limited to 15 spots.
New Books, Audiobooks & DVDs

Fiction
A Forgotten Murder  Deveraux, Jude
A Good Neighborhood Fowler, Therese Anne
A Reasonable Doubt Margolin, Phillip
Apeirogon McCann, Colum
Blindside Patterson, James
Chasing Cassandra Kleypas, Lisa
Coconut Layer Cake Murder Fluke, Joanne
Eight Perfect Murders Swanson, Peter
Hi Five Ide, Joe
House of Earth and Blood Maas, Sarah J.
In Five Years Serle, Rebecca
Journey of the Pharaohs Cussler, Clive
Last Girl Standing Jackson, Lisa
Lavender Blue Murder Childs, Laura
Long Range Box, C.J.
My Dark Vanessa Russell, Kate Elizabeth
Oona Out of Order Montimore, Margarita
Postscript Ahern, Cecelia
The Bear Krivak, Andrew
The Big Lie Grippando, James
The Book Woman of Richardson, Kim
Troublesome Creek Michele
The Boy from the Woods Coben, Harlan
The Cactus League Nemens, Emily
The Grace Kelly Dress Janowitz, Brenda
The Henna Artist Joshi, Alka
The Holdout Moore, Graham
The King's Justice Macneal, Susan Elia
The Mirror and the Light Mantel, Hilary
The Night Watchman Erdrich, Louise
The Numbers Game Steel, Danielle
The Warsaw Protocol Berry, Steve
The Worst Best Man Sosa, Mia
Topics of Conversation Popkey, Miranda
Victim 2117 Adler-Olsen, Jussi
Weather Offill, Jenny
You are Not Alone Hendricks, Greer

Non-Fiction
Why We're Polarized Klein, Ezra
A Very Stable Genius Rucker, Philip
Moon: Southwest Road Trip National Geo Traveler
Profiles in Corruption Hull, Tim
Scotland Schweizer, Peter
The Anarchy National Geo Traveler

For Kids in April (con’t)
Owl Sewing Workshop
Thursday, April 23rd @ 3:30 pm
Ms. Ellen returns to help us make some adorable stuffed owls! Ages 5+. Limit 15 spots.

Spring Food Craft
Tuesday, April 28th @ 3:30 pm
Shoprite registered dietician Ms. Stacie returns with dirt cups and other fun spring food ideas! Ages 5+. Limit 15 spots.

Author Visit: Nicoline Evans
Thursday, April 30th @ 6 pm
Join us as Children’s and YA author Nicoline Evans reads her beautiful picture book about conquering our fears, “Gray Spots”. Copies of Ms. Evans books will be available for sale and signing at this event.

Family Bowling at Pastime Lanes
Family Bowling on Sunday
April 19 from 2-4 pm at Pastime Lanes. Each family bowls free for 30 minutes. Bumpers will be available. Sign up ahead of time, in the library or online. Mendham Borough Library cardholders only.

Mother's Day Boutique at St. Marks Church
Saturday, May 2nd from 10 am to 3 pm
St. Mark’s Church is having a Mother’s Day Boutique. Stop by and get your Mom, Aunt, Grandmother something special at their event featuring an assortment of vendors. For more information call 973-543-4471 or go to www.stmarksmendham.org.
Borough Calendar for April 2020
Curbside Bulk Pickup
Mondays, April 6, 13, 20 & 27
Recycle - Thursdays, April 9 & 23
Board of Adjustment - at the Garabrant Center, 7:30 pm on Tuesday, April 7
Board of Health - at the Garabrant Center, 7:00 pm on Wednesday, April 1
Borough Council - at the Garabrant Center, 8 pm on Thursday, April 9 and Monday, April 27
ECOSST - at the Garabrant Center, 7:30 pm on Monday, April 6
Historic Preservation Commission - at the Garabrant Center, 7:30 pm on Monday, April 20
Planning Board Meeting - at the Garabrant Center, 7:30 pm on Monday, April 13
Recreation Commission - at the Garabrant Center, 7:30 pm on Thursday, April 16
Arbor Day Celebration - April 24th, 25th, 27th – 30th 9am – 2pm, residents will be able to pick up tree seedlings at Mendham Borough Public Works, 37 Ironia Road

New Jersey Tree Recovery Campaign Provides Free Tree Seedlings to Residents
Free tree seedlings will be available to Mendham Borough residents in the month of April as part of the New Jersey Tree Recovery Campaign. From April 24th—30th between the hours of 9am-2pm, residents will be able to pick up tree seedlings at Mendham Borough Public Works, 37 Ironia Road. Seedlings are available on a first come, first served basis, with a limit of 10 per household (mix and match varieties). Seedlings come with instructions on how to store, care for, and plant them. The guides help residents choose the right place on a property to plant a tree while keeping in mind the tree’s full-grown size in the future. Residents should plant the seedlings within two days after pick-up in order to prevent the roots from drying out. If you have any questions please contact Carolynn Budd at 973-543-6535 or dpw@mendhamnj.org.

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