



Township of Maple Shade

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Township of Maple Shade News NOVEMBER 2021

Township of Maple Shade News is generally published monthly to provide residents with pertinent information and reminders related to Maple Shade and the surrounding area. The Township views this as another important means of keeping residents informed about our community.

1. MUNICIPAL OFFICE HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The Municipal Offices will be closed the following holidays in November:

- November 11th - Veteran's Day
- November 25th & 26th - Thanksgiving Holiday



Other Office Closures - November 16th, 17th, 18th many of our employees will be participating in the Annual New Jersey League of Municipalities in which staff will earn required educational credits for maintaining State Certifications and Licenses. During these 3 days, services in the municipal building may be disrupted as offices close to attend the annual training sessions. Save the trip and call (856) 779-9610, to confirm the department you need to visit is open.

2. SAVE THE DATES FOR THE FOLLOWING HOLIDAY EVENTS

- November 26th - Gazebo Lighting
- December 3rd - Santa Arrives for the Holiday Fest



3. BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Breakfast with Santa
Saturday, December 11th
9:00AM - 11:00AM
Click [HERE](#) for more information



4. RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Registration for the following classes can be found at www.mapleshade.com/recreation.

a. Lil Sous Chef – New Holiday Classes:

Lil Sous Chef is a cooking class for children ages 5 - 12. The class will allow children to prepare a meal and dessert with the assistance of the instructor. Interested participants **MUST pre-register EARLY** with the Township of Maple Shade so the recipe ingredients can be ordered. The ingredients are included in the class fee.

Click [HERE](#) to access the class flyer with more information



b. Maple Shade Playgroup:

This **FREE** playgroup is for children ages 6 months - 5 years and their parent(s). The weekly playgroup will meet on Wednesday mornings from 10:00AM - 11:30AM at the Municipal Building until December 15th.

Click [HERE](#) to access the flyer with more information



5. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Fall Leaf Collection begins November 1st
Collection will be done by Zones / Trash Collection Day

Important Reminders:

- Brush, branches, and leaves are picked up by the Department of Public Works and NOT the trash collector
- Brush & Branches 3" or less in diameter MUST be bundled, tied, not exceed 30-lbs, and be no longer than 3-feet in length
- Please do NOT mix trash with brush, branches, or leaves

Click [HERE](#) to access the Fall Leaf Collection flyer



6. HOUSEHOLD CLEAN-UP EVENT

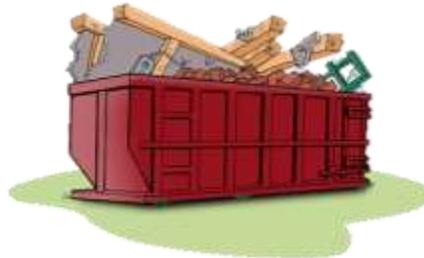
November 17th, 18th, 19th & 20th
9:00AM - 1:00PM

Public Works Facility located at 620 Cutler Avenue

Residents may bring the following items to the Public Works Facility during the dates & times above:

- Mattresses and Box Springs
- Unwanted items in your garage
- Furniture
- Debris from SMALL Homeowner "Do-It-Yourself" Projects
- Debris from around your property

Please see the [HOUSEHOLD CLEAN-UP EVENT FLYER](#) for additional information.



7. MAPLE SHADE ROTARY CLUB

The Maple Shade Rotary Club is looking for NEW MEMBERS!

The Rotary Club is a group of community leaders and business people from Maple Shade. The Maple Shade chapter has been sponsoring many community activities like pancake breakfasts and the sidewalk sale for over 50 years. They also provide scholarships to Maple Shade students and support our local first responders.

All are invited to join their weekly lunch meetings on Tuesdays at Fontanas Café at 12:15PM. Come find out what the Rotary Club is all about!



8. LIBRARY

The Maple Shade Library is OPEN 6 days a week!

HOURS OF OPERATION:

- Monday to Thursday: 10AM to 8:30 PM
- Friday & Saturday: 10AM to 5PM

NOVEMBER HOLIDAY CLOSING:

- Tuesday, November 2nd - Election Day
- Thursday, November 11th - Veteran's Day
- Thursday, November 24th - Thanksgiving Day
- Friday, November 25th - Day After Thanksgiving

EVENTS:

- November 6th @ 10:30AM: Medicare Workshop. Registration is Required
- November 9th @ 10:30AM: Storytime at Collins Lane Park
- November 13th @ 10:30AM: Conversation for English Language Learners (ELL)
Registration is Required.

- November 17th @ 4:00PM: Afternoon Painting. Topic: Decalcomania. Ages 7 & up
Registration is Required.
- November 18th @ 10:30AM: Storytime at Collins Lane Park
- November 20th @ 10:30AM: Conversation for English Language Learners (ELL)
Registration is Required.
- November 23rd @ 3:30PM: Tween and Teen Craft Buffet. Ages 9-17
Registration is Required.

In accordance with NJ Executive Order 242 all BCLS users and staff ages 2 and up are required to wear masks inside the library regardless of vaccination status. We thank you ahead of time for complying with the rule and keeping all safe.



9. MAPLE SHADE UTILITIES

WATER CONSERVATION TIPS

Did you know the average U.S. household uses approximately 400 gallons of water per day or 100 gallons per person per day? Luckily, there are many low-cost and no-cost ways to conserve water.

Water conservation is the practice of actively conserving and lowering the water usage for a household. If you are looking to reduce your water bill each quarter or are just looking for places to reduce spending, a great first step is conserving the amount of water you use. Small changes can make a big difference. Here are a few easy tips to try:

1. Turn off the faucet while brushing your teeth.
2. Only run the washing machine and dishwasher when you have a full load.
3. Check your toilets for leaks once a year. We offer free toilet leak test tablets that are available for residents at the Wastewater Treatment Plant (432 W Park Ave) and the Town Hall (200 Stiles Ave).

For more tips, visit <http://www.mapleshadeutilities.com/water-conservation-tips>

10. CITIZEN VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Looking to get involved in Maple Shade? There are openings on a few township boards. Complete the [Citizen Leadership Volunteer Form](#) & return it to the Municipal Offices at 200 Stiles Avenue, Maple Shade, NJ 08052.



11. POLICE DEPARTMENT

Grab N Go Food Box is Live!

As many of you know, the Maple Shade Police Department and PBA Local #267 have been and continue to be a prominent supporter of the Maple Shade Food Bank. In furtherance of our efforts to Stamp Out Hunger, we worked with Rob Foster of Rest Wood Crafts, the Maple Shade Police Chaplain Association, the Maple Shade Police Chaplain Corp, the Maple Shade Public Works Department and the Teamsters Local, Maple Shade Township, the Maple Shade Business Association and Rotary International to create, build and deploy a Grab N Go Food Box.

The box is located to the left of the main entrance to the Maple Shade Township Building located at 200 Stiles Avenue in Maple Shade, New Jersey. The box contains 6 bags of groceries prepared and packaged by the Maple Shade Food Bank for anyone from Maple Shade to take. We simply ask that you take only 1 bag of groceries so we can continue our efforts to care for the whole of the community, keeping in mind our staff at the Food Bank is limited and only there in a part-time capacity. This is also only a temporary stop gap measure and not meant to be a regular source of food. To combat those struggling with hunger and found inside each bag, there will be an information card on the Volunteers of American (VOA) - Delaware Valley (#856-298-7741). It is our hope that anyone taking a bag of groceries will also take a minute to contact the VOA and allow them the opportunity to navigate those in need towards services in an effort to improve their quality of life. These services include housing assistance, food insecurity, mental health and substance abuse assistance, reentry services, identification assistance and, veterans' assistance to name a few. Additionally, if you are unable to call the VOA, you can speak with any Maple Shade Police Officer who can assist you in connecting with our VOA team.



Since its deployment several weeks ago, the Grad N Go Food Box has been a tremendous success! We have given out dozens of bags of groceries and the partnership between the Police Department and the Food Bank remains strong in keeping the box filled. As a reminder, the Maple Shade Food Bank is open the 1st

and 3rd Wednesday of the month for any Township resident in need of assistance as we continue our motto of “Shaders Helping Shaders”. Lastly, for anyone looking to financially support the Maple Shade Food Bank, you can send a check to the attention of the Township Manager Susan Danson and mail those checks to 200 Stiles Avenue Maple Shade, NJ. 08052. Gift cards are also welcomed and can be sent or dropped off to the Township Manager’s Office as noted above. Thank you!

12. OCTOBER MEETINGS & EVENTS

- Wednesday, November 10, 2021 - Zoning Board Meeting @ 7:00PM
- Thursday, November 18, 2021 - Town Council Meeting @ 6:30PM
**only one council meeting this month*
- Tuesday, November 23, 2021 - Planning Board Meeting @ 7:00PM
**Tuesday night due to Thanksgiving*

(The agendas can be found on the township’s website at www.mapleshade.com.)