

Township of Maple Shade

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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. NEW JERSEY'S EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT

The NJ Treasury Department has once again launched a statewide campaign to raise awareness about <u>New Jersey's Earned Income Tax Credit (NJEITC)</u>, a program that has long been championed as one of the most valuable tools to help lift people out of hard times.

Thanks to the latest policy changes enacted by Governor Murphy and the Legislature, the State is making more money available to more people than ever before. However, many eligible taxpayers still fail to apply for this valuable program, leaving hard-earned money on the table.

With the tax filing season officially underway, the State has created a new <u>online toolkit</u> for 2022 containing a variety of promotional materials in both English and Spanish to help encourage every eligible taxpayer to apply.

Taxpayers stand to receive anywhere from several hundred to several thousand dollars between the state and federal program.



2. BURLINGTON COUNTY PAPER SHREDDING EVENTS

Burlington County will be holding **Paper Shredding Events** on the following dates: Sunday, March 20th, Sunday, April 10th & Sunday, May 15th

All events are from 9AM to 1PM - RAIN or SHINE

It is being held at the Burlington County Resource Recovery Complex (Landfill), 22000 Burlington-Columbus Road, Florence, NJ 08518.

3. <u>VOLUNTEERS WANTED – SUSTAINABLE MAPLE</u> SHADE

The Sustainable Maple Shade is looking for <u>NEW MEMBERS</u> to help with community projects!



Click HERE to learn more about Sustainable Maple Shade

4. MAPLE SHADE POLICE DEPARTMENT HIRING CROSSING GUARDS

Interested in serving the community? The Maple Shade Police Department is hiring for crossing guards.

Click **HERE** for more information

5. MAPLE SHADE ROTARY CLUB

The Maple Shade Rotary Club is looking for <u>NEW MEMBERS!</u>

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 <u>Tuesdays at Fontanas Café at 12:15PM</u>. Come find out what the Rotary Club is all about!



6. MAPLE SHADE UTILITIES

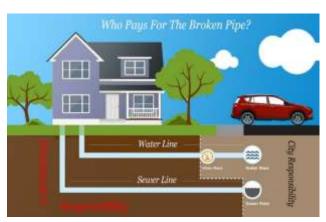
Are you prepared to spend \$5,000 to \$7,000 on a home repair?

The easy answer is no homeowner is prepared to spend this kind of money on a home repair, that's why we have homeowner's insurance. Homeowner's insurance provides protection from many damage expenses incurred to your home from a wide variety of perils. However, most standard policies do not cover damage to buried water and sewer service lines on your property. A repair on a buried water or sewer service line can easily cost several thousands of dollars. If your water or sewer service line incurs damage anywhere from the main to inside the home, the homeowner is responsible for the expense of the repair. Freezing temperatures during the winter adds an elevated risk of damage.

Some insurance companies will allow you to add this coverage to your existing homeowner's policy. There are also independent companies, such as American Water Resources, which offer service line coverage as an

independent policy. The cost is relatively inexpensive, about \$15 per month for both the water and sewer service lines, and it provides protection from these types of unexpected expenses and peace of mind.

Maple Shade Utilities strongly recommends that every homeowner consider protecting their water and sewer service lines with this type of insurance. Please contact your homeowner's insurance company or an independent service line insurer for additional information.



7. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works would like to remind residents of the following items:

- Residents can always drop-off excess recycling items at our Public Works facility.
- <u>Mattresses and box springs MUST be wrapped in plastic</u> prior to placing at curbside for trash collection.

8. MAPLE SHADE LIBRARY

Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 10AM to 8:30PM Friday & Saturday: 10AM to 5:00PM

County Health Department Requires Masks While in the Library

Exciting Events for All Ages!

Registration is Required for all Events Call or Visit the Library for Further Details

- 2/14: Afternoon Painting: Suminagashi. (Youth)
- 2/16: Perler Bead Party (Youth)
- 2/19: Conversation for English Language Learners (Adults only / No Childcare)
- 2/22: Art Club: Thumbprint Art Buttons (Youth)
- 2/23: Bookbuzzers Book Club
- 2/24: How to Prevent Identity Theft
- 2/25: Preschool Painters (Youth)
- 2/28: Comics Club (Youth)

9. FEBRUARY MEETINGS & EVENTS

- Wednesday, February 9, 2022 CANCELLED
- Thursday, February 10, 2022 Town Council Meeting @ 6:30PM
- Thursday, February 23, 2022 Planning Board Meeting @ 7:00PM

• Thursday, February 24, 2022 - Town Council Meeting @ 6:30PM (*The agendas can be found on the township's website at www.mapleshade.com*.