



# Township of Maple Shade

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## Township of Maple Shade News MARCH 2022

*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. 2022 DOG LICENSE INFORMATION

Residents are reminded all dogs are to be licensed each year. The Dog License Application Form is available [HERE](#). The cost is \$10.00 for neutered/spayed dogs and \$13.00 for non-neutered/non-spayed dogs.

**Applications are due April 1, 2022.** Applications can be dropped off in the drop box outside of the main entrance of the municipal building or mailed to the following address: Township of Maple Shade, Tax Collector Office, 200 Stiles Avenue, Maple Shade, NJ 08052, Attn: Dog License



(click photo for printable version)

### 2. MAPLE SHADE SHREDDING EVENT

Sustainable Maple Shade will be holding a COMMUNITY SHREDDING DAY on Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup> from 9AM - 11AM in the parking lot of the Municipal Building, 200 Stiles Avenue, Maple Shade, NJ.



Click [HERE](#) for a flyer with more information

### 3. MAPLE SHADE POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### Maple Shade Police Chaplain Corp



In 2014, then Captain Fletcher (now Chief Fletcher) began meeting with the houses of worship in the township at the police department to discuss a variety of community issues that they both had identified. After developing a high level of trust and building a strong rapport with one another, Chief Fletcher began to discuss the formation of a dedicated Police Chaplain Corp to work with the police department in caring for the community.

After identifying the core group of religious leaders who were willing to take on this new challenge, Chief Fletcher organized the specialized training needed to become a Police Chaplain in New Jersey. For those of you who may not be aware, a Police Chaplain is an ordained or licensed clergy member with a degree from an accredited institution or a certificate from an accredited course of instruction or licensed by a religious organization with the State of New Jersey. They must be a person of faith, an active participant in their respective place of worship and presently serving in a role of clergy leadership such as but not limited to pastor or pastor emeritus in their respective place of faith located within the State of New Jersey. They are also volunteer employees of the Police Department who once approved are appointed to their positions by the township.

The Police Chaplain program exists to allow a Chaplain to come alongside a person who may be experiencing difficulty following the death of a loved one, someone struggling following a traumatic incident such as a fatal fire, serious or fatal car crash, or some other significant crime where a victim needs some additional emotional support. In these moments, a Police Chaplain takes off their clergy hat and places on their nondenominational Chaplain hat exercising their specific skillset to comfort victims and their families. Since their formation in 2015, the Police Chaplains have responded to over 130 call outs in their efforts to care for our community and this is only one piece of what the Police Chaplains lovingly do for our agency.

Police Chaplains also care for our first responders making certain their social and emotional needs are being cared for so that each officer is at their best when they take to street to answer the call for service within our community. Chaplains engage with officers at the police station or during training, socially at various township events such as the National Night Out and through our family-based Resiliency Program which has become a model for the State.

In addition, Police Chaplains have become an integral part of our Juvenile Diversion Program within the township allowing our officers to recommend youth for intervention instead of placing them into the Juvenile Justice System with a criminal charge. Since its inception a few years ago, dozens of youth have been diverted into alternate programs or community service and given a second chance to make better decisions moving forward under the guidance and care of our Police Chaplains.

Lastly, there are currently 4 Chaplains in the Maple Shade Police Chaplain Corp. Those Police Chaplains are Chaplain Vince McDonald (Senior Chaplain), Chaplain Greg Ginion, Chaplain Annemarie Cook, and Chaplain Mike Stinsman. If you know any of these Chaplains, please take a moment to say thank you for their dedicated service to our community and know that they stand at the ready to provide support to anyone in need when called on by our officers.

#### 4. EASTER EGG HUNT

The Township of Maple Shade's Recreation Department will be having a **FREE EASTER EGG HUNT** on Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM at Collins Lane Park, 57 Collins Lane, Maple Shade, NJ 08052.

Click [HERE](#) for more information



#### 5. MAPLE SHADE UTILITIES

##### LEAD WATER SERVICE LINES

The State of New Jersey has required water systems to replace all lead water service lines (LSL), including galvanized steel lines, within the next 10 years. This replacement of the LSL will be done at no cost to the homeowner. The water service line is the line that connects the municipal water main to the water meter. This replacement program DOES NOT include the internal plumbing after the water meter, within the residence.

We are currently in the final phase of the replacement planning process, which includes identifying unknown service lines and developing an LSL replacement schedule. Of the 4371 water service lines in Maple Shade: 0 have been identified as lead, 172 have been identified as galvanized and 475 are not known by the utility.

Click [HERE](#) for a flyer with additional information



## 6. RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Registration for the following classes can be found at [www.mapleshade.com/recreation](http://www.mapleshade.com/recreation).

a. Lil Sous Chef - ADULT Cooking Class:

Lil Sous Chef is having a special cooking class for ADULTS. It's time for the adults to have some fun. Chefs will be preparing delectable creations with the assistance of the Chef Nina. 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. ESPORTS:

Township Of Maple Shade Recreation has partnered with GGLeagues to launch an esports club! Join the club today and connect with other players from the Township of Maple Shade Recreation and surrounding communities. There's a place for players of all ages and gaming backgrounds.

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



c. Lil Sous Chef - KIDS April Cooking 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



## 7. 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



3/07: Blooming Kirigami Flowers (Youth)

3/17: Medicare Information Session

3/18: Preschool Painters: Pulled String Art

3/19: Conversation for English Language Learners (Adults only/No childcare)

3/21: Mini Robot Race (Youth)

3/25: Collins Lane Park Storytime (Youth - registration not required)

3/28: Comics Club (Youth)

## 8. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - Collection of Brush & Branches

### **CURBSIDE PICK-UP INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Option #1 -
  - **All branches:**  
Must be cut in 4 ft. lengths
  - **All branches / brush that are LESS than 2 inches in diameter:**  
Must be cut in 4 Ft. lengths, tied, and bundled and not weigh more than 40 lbs.

### **DROP-OFF TO PUBLIC WORKS COMPLEX**

- Option #2 -
  - Residents also have the option to drop off their branches/brush at our Public Works Complex during our normal hours of operation  
Public Works Facility is located at 620 Cutler Avenue  
Monday - Friday: 7:00AM - 3:00PM  
Saturday: 9:00AM - 1:00PM

## 9. BURLINGTON COUNTY RECYCLING

Burlington County will be holding **Paper Shredding Events** on the following dates:

**Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**

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.

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

Click [HERE](#) for Recycling Guidelines Update





## **10. BagUpNJ - PLASTIC BAG BAN PROGRAM**

On Nov. 4, 2020, Governor Phil Murphy and the New Jersey Legislature enacted the most progressive bag ban law in the country. The law reduces litter and encourages the use of reusable bags by phasing out **single-use carryout bags**.

The law bans single-use plastic bags, regardless of thickness, at grocery stores and retail establishments, as well as paper bags at grocery stores **equal to or larger than 2,500 sq. ft.**

It also bans polystyrene **foam** takeout food containers and other products such as plates, cups, food trays and utensils; and makes plastic straws at restaurants available only upon request.

<https://www.co.burlington.nj.us/343/Clean-Communities>

<https://www.njclean.org/>

Click [HERE](#) for more information and dates

## **11. MAPLE SHADE'S 100<sup>th</sup> YEAR CELEBRATION**

**SAVE THE DATE** for Maple Shade's 100<sup>th</sup> YEAR CELEBRATION

**October 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, & 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022... More Information TBA**



## **12. MARCH MEETINGS & EVENTS**

- Wednesday, March 9, 2022 - Zoning Board Meeting @ 7:00PM
- Thursday, March 10, 2022 - Town Council Meeting @ 6:30PM
- Thursday, March 23, 2022 - Planning Board Meeting @ 7:00PM
- Thursday, March 24, 2022 - Town Council Meeting @ 6:30PM

*(The agendas can be found on the township's website at [www.mapleshade.com](http://www.mapleshade.com).)*