



# Township of Maple Shade

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## Township of Maple Shade News MAY 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. MAPLE SHADE'S 100<sup>th</sup> YEAR CELEBRATION

Click on Photo to Access the 100<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration Website with all the Upcoming Events



### 2. INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE & FIREWORKS SAVE-THE-DATE

The 2022 Independence Day Parade & Fireworks Celebration will be held on Saturday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Recreation Department is looking for organizations who would like to participate in the Parade. Contact [recreation@mapleshade.com](mailto:recreation@mapleshade.com)



### 3. TOWNSHIP CLEAN-UP DAY

Maple Shade's Clean Communities is hosting a Community Clean-Up Event on Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup> from 9AM - 11AM. They are looking for VOLUNTEERS.

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



#### 4. PRIMARY ELECTION INFORMATION - PLAN YOUR VOTE!

##### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

1. April 23, 2022 - Commencement of Mailing of Mail-In Ballots for Primary Election
2. May 17, 2022 - Voter Registration Deadline for Primary (21 Days Prior)
3. May 31, 2022 - Deadline to apply for a Mail-In ballot by mail
4. June 1, 2022 - Mailing Sample Ballots
5. June 3 - June 5, 2022 - Early Voting Period
6. June 6, 2022 - Deadline for In-Person Mail-In Ballot Applications - 3PM
7. June 7, 2022 - Primary Election - 6AM to 8PM

Please Read your Sample Ballots!! Your District is on your address label after your name.

**DISTRICTS** have changed!! Fox Meadow Residents go to the Fox Meadow Golf Center; Watergate Residents go to your Community Center. If you voted at Steinhauer School or the Maple Shade High School, you vote at the Maple Shade Fire Department.

Districts 1 & 7 -	VFW
Districts 2, 6, 8, 10 & 12 -	Municipal Building
Districts 3, 4, 9, 11, 13, 16 & 18 -	Maple Shade Fire Department, 53 S. Maple Avenue
Districts 5, 14 & 15 -	25 Club
District 17 -	Watergate Community Center
District 19 -	Fox Meadow Golf Center

\* **Ballot box** is located at the front doors of the Township Building, 200 Stiles Avenue, Maple Shade, NJ 08052. Vote-by-Mail ballots are being sent out!

##### \* **Early Voting Information & Voting Locations**

There will be 3 days of Early Voting for the Primary Election: Friday, June 3 - Sunday, June 5; Friday and Saturday hours 10 am - 8 pm; Sunday 10 am - 6pm.

All locations will remain the same as last year, except that the Tabernacle early voting site has been moved to the Lenape Regional Administrative Building in Shamong.

- Chesterfield at the Chesterfield Township Municipal Building, 295 Bordentown-Chesterfield Road;
- Evesham at the Gibson House Community Center, 535 East Main Street, Marlton;
- Medford at the Medford Town Hall, 49 Union Street;
- Mount Laurel at Rowan College at Burlington County Student Success Center, 1500 College Circle;
- Pemberton Township at the Pemberton Community Library, 16 Broadway, Browns Mills;
- Tabernacle at the Lenape Regional Administrative Building in Shamong (93 Willow Grove Rd, Shamong, NJ);
- Willingboro at the Willingboro Public Library, 220 Campbell Drive

5. 7<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GREEN FAIR

Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>  
11:00AM – 2:00PM  
Maple Shade High School  
170 Frederick Avenue  
Click [HERE](#) for a flyer with more information



6. CODE ENFORCEMENT

**SPRING HAS SPRUNG**

**A FRIENDLY REMINDER  
FROM**

**MAPLE SHADE TOWNSHIP  
CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE**

◊ **PLEASE KEEP  
GRASS CUT BELOW 6"**

◊ **PLEASE KEEP TREES  
& BUSHES TRIMMED**



**LET'S BE  
GOOD NEIGHBORS**

7. 2022 HOUSEHOLD CLEAN-UP EVENT

May 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>  
9:00AM – 1:00PM  
Public Works Facility  
620 Cutler Avenue  
Click [HERE](#) for a flyer with more information

8. MAPLE SHADE WATER & SEWER

**Understanding Your Water & Sewer Service Lines**

Service lines are a network of exterior, underground utility lines or pipes that supply a home with water distribution and sewage collection. In Maple Shade, the service lines for water and sewer are the responsibility of the property owner from inside the house all the way to the Township main in the street.

Along with owning the water and sewer service lines, the water curb stop, and the sewer clean out are also the responsibility of the property owner to maintain. The curb stops and sewer clean outs in Maple Shade are not in the same location for each property; however, they are often located in the front part of the property close to the street or sidewalk. The water service line has a curb stop on it. This is the valve to shut off water to the entire property. The curb stop normally has a cast iron cover over it. If there is no cover then you will see an open pipe that extends down to a valve. It is best to keep the curb stop pipe covered at all times, so dirt and water cannot get inside which can cause quicker deterioration of the curb stop valve and delay access to the valve in the event of a water emergency inside the home. It is in the best interest of the property owner to know where the curb stop is located so in the case of an emergency (broken pipe, bad leak, etc.), we can quickly get the water turned off to the property.

The sewer service line has a clean out on it. The clean out is an access point to clear clogs from within the sewer service line. The clean out is an open pipe that connects down to the service line. Some have covers, some don't. Using a cover is best practice so again dirt and water cannot get inside and potentially cause a blockage in the service line. If the clean out for a property is full or overflowing, that is an indication that there is a blockage that must be addressed. If this is left, it could result in the overflow backing up into the property or a citation issued for a public health hazard.

If you are unaware of the location of the water curb stop or the sewer clean out on your property, give Maple Shade Utilities a call at 856-488-7450 Monday through Friday 7AM to 3PM and an operator will come out and assist in locating these important pieces of your service lines.



Example of a Maple Shade Curb Stop



Example of a Maple Shade Clean Out

## 9. RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Maple Shade Recreation is looking for Maple Shade organizations and vendors to raise money and get involved with Township sponsored events and classes. If you would like to be included in community events to raise money for your organization or offer classes, please send an email to Recreation Director, Lauren Domzalski, at [Recreation@mapleshade.com](mailto:Recreation@mapleshade.com).

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

- a. MAY PROGRAM – Kid's Workshop Series



Click [HERE](#) for more information

b. **SUMMER PROGRAM SERIES:**

The Township of Maple Shade's Recreation Department is offering several Summer Programs.

Click [HERE](#) to access more information.



**10. MAPLE SHADE LIBRARY**

Monday-Thursday 10AM to 8:30PM

Friday & Saturday 10AM to 5

Holiday Closings: May 28th-May 30th

Call or Visit the Library for Further Details

**All Events are Free!**

**May 2nd-14th. Book Sale. Cash Only.**

**Youth Services Events**

- May 9th: Kids' Afternoon Art: Blooming Kirigami Flowers. Registration Required
- May 13th: Maple Shade Collins Lane Park Storytime (weather permitting)
- May 20th: Preschool Painters. Registration Required
- May 27th: Maple Shade Collins Lane Park Storytime (weather permitting)

**Adult Services Events**

- May 3rd: Moorestown Visiting Nurse Association. Free blood pressure checks and more!
- May 6th: Senior Living Options. Registration Required.
- May 7th: Conversation for English Language Learners. Registration is required.
- May 10th: Master Gardeners. Open to all!
- May 12th: Health Screenings. Blood pressure and glucose check. Open to all!
- May 12th: How to Prevent Identity Theft. Registration Required.
- May 13th: Seniors: Aging in Your Home. Registration Required.
- May 18th: Bookbuzzers Book Club. Open to all!
- May 19th: Learn About Home Security. Registration Required.
- May 21st: Conversation for English Language Learners. Registration is required.
- May 26th. All About Road Scholar. Registration Required.

**11. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**Important Reminders to Residents:**

- Place grass clippings in open bags, less than 30lbs., and place them out for trash.
- No more than seven (7) items should be placed curbside for trash pick-up.

## **12. MAPLE SHADE FALL SOCCER REGISTRATION**

Fall Soccer Registration is NOW OPEN!

Click [HERE](#) for more information

## **13. UTILITIES**

### **Get Help with your Utility Bills**

The application period for the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs' Low Income Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) is now open. This federally funded program will provide financial assistance to low-income households to reduce the balances on their residential water and sewer bills. LIHWAP will provide benefits directly to water and sewer service providers on behalf of residential customers. The assistance can be used, in order of priority, to:

- restore services where services have been terminated and pay reconnection fees and other charges accrued due to a disconnection;
- avoid service disruption for those residential customers who are in danger of disconnection (i.e., received shut off notices or have past due balances) and to help them afford bill payment going forward; and
- support those household customers who are current in their bills but might be in danger of falling behind in the near future.

Priority will also be given to families with elderly or disabled household members and/or with children under the age of five, no matter which category they fall into.

To be eligible for LIHWAP assistance, applicants must be water/sewer bill holders who are responsible for paying their water and sewer bills directly to the water/sewer provider. Also, applicants' total gross household income must be at or below 60% of the state median Income (\$6,439 a month for a family of four). The LIHWAP frequently asked questions webpage, available at <https://njdca-housing.dynamics365portals.us/lihwapfaq> has additional information about maximum income limits and other items.

Participants in the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) are automatically eligible for LIHWAP assistance so long as they are water/sewer bill holders.

People can apply online through the DCAid application portal at <https://njdca-housing.dynamics365portals.us/en-US/dcaid-services/>.

Those without computer or internet access can call 1-800-510-3102 to be directed to one of the community action agencies to assist them with starting, completing, and submitting an application online.

## **14. MEET THE MANAGER**

Meetings with the Township Manager

May 12<sup>th</sup> - 9:30AM

May 24<sup>th</sup> - 6:30PM

RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY

Click [HERE](#) for more information

## **15. POLICE DEPARTMENT**

### **Maple Shade PD Welcomes a New Member to Our Team - K9 Sitka!**

The Maple Shade Police Department is proud to announce a new member to our patrol team, K9 Sitka. Sitka is a Black Labrador puppy who we obtained a few weeks ago from his law enforcement breeder and

has been entrusted into the care of K9 Officer, Anthony Marshall. Sitka will spend the next few months adjusting and norming to the police environment and will live in Officer Marshall's home. Once Officer Marshall's new K9 equipped vehicle is ready, the agency will be sending Sitka and Officer Marshall to the K9 Police Academy in Atlantic County to have them certified as a working pair.

Sitka will be trained in narcotics and tracking and will be a passive alerting dog. He will not be used for any type of biting scenarios. Because of his friendly disposition and lovable attitude, Sitka and Officer Marshall will be ambassadors for our agency by taking every opportunity to engage with the community especially our youngest members.

You will see Officer Marshall and Sitka at the National Night Out on Tuesday, August 2, 2022, in the area of the dunk tank. We will be using the proceeds of the dunk tank to support our K9 program. Heather Capate, who works at the police department in the record's division and Maple Shade non-profit, "All About the Kidz", will be running the dunk tank and have cooked up some interesting fundraising ideas.

Lastly, the Maple Shade Police Department wants to extend our sincere thanks to all those who have helped financially to support the K9 program such as Sterling Martin of Thomson Lamination Corporation and the Maple Shade Rotary. However, special recognition should be given to Keith Johnson and his team at Laurel Lanes for providing the actual funding used to purchase Sitka. We are so appreciative of his support and for making this proposal a reality.



## **16. BURLINGTON COUNTY RECYCLING**

Burlington County will be holding **Paper Shredding Events** on **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



## **17. BagUpNJ - PLASTIC BAG BAN PROGRAM BEGINS ON MAY 4, 2022**

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 date

## **18. MAY MEETINGS & EVENTS**

- Wednesday, May 11, 2022 - Zoning Board Meeting @ 7:00PM
- Thursday, May 12, 2022 - Town Council Meeting @ 6:30PM
- Wednesday, May 25, 2022 - Planning Board Meeting @ 7:00PM
- Thursday, May 26, 2022 - Town Council Meeting @ 6:30PM