



# Township of Maple Shade

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## Township of Maple Shade News SEPTEMBER 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. SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER 2022 - 100<sup>th</sup> YEAR CELEBRATION EVENTS

September 16<sup>th</sup> – **Movie Night** showing, *Encanto*, at 8PM at Woodlawn Complex

#### Save the Date

October 8<sup>th</sup> – Maple Shade Centennial History Tour

October 9<sup>th</sup> – Touch-a-Truck

October 10<sup>th</sup> – Maple Shade Day: Join Us at the Municipal Building @ 10am for a celebration and time capsule opening

### 3. MUNICIPAL OFFICES RESUME NORMAL OPERATING HOURS EFFECTIVE TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2022

As of September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022 all Administrative Offices in the Municipal Building will return to their Non-Summer Operating Hours. Offices will resume a normal Monday to Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm work schedule, with the exception of lunch hours.

**SAVE THE TRIP...** the following offices are staffed on a part-time basis. Residents are encouraged to call first to ensure staff is available since these schedules may change to accommodate Seminars, Continuing Education Hours and Personal Time Off:

#### Code Enforcement:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00am to 2:30pm [manyzek@mapleshade.com](mailto:manyzek@mapleshade.com)

#### Recreation:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30am to 3:30pm [recreation@mapleshade.com](mailto:recreation@mapleshade.com)

#### Tax Assessor:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:30am to 2:30pm [lrogers@mapleshade.com](mailto:lrogers@mapleshade.com) or [deputyassessor@mapleshade.com](mailto:deputyassessor@mapleshade.com)

As always, our Township Staff is here to serve our residents!

### 4. 100 YEAR GALA CELEBRATION

**OH WHAT A NIGHT!**

**BLUE & GOLD GALA  
HELD ON AUGUST 20<sup>TH</sup>**



Saturday August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022 the 100 Year Committee welcomed guests to a secret undisclosed location in Maple Shade to celebrate and enjoy an evening of community and friendship. Gala Goers received a message at just about 6pm on the evening of the Gala informing them of their meeting place from their assigned Party Lead to meet at a location in town; Party Leads then escorted their groups to, an up until that night, "Top Secret" location (Collins Lane Park) to join all the other guests and enjoy the event filled with music, games, dancing, food, friendship and fun! The event is based off the popular *Diner en Blanc* events that are popping up locally as well as across the country. The event was a completely sustainable event where guests were responsible for bringing their own setups and leaving no trace of evidence of the amazing fun evening behind.

Thank You to our AMAZING sponsors who helped fund this event, and to all the attendees. We hope everyone had a wonderful evening!



### 5. RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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

- [eSports League](#)
- [Cooking with Buzz Lightyear](#)
- [Neet's Wind Down - Stretch & Release](#)
- [Neet Moves - Kids Fitness](#)

If anyone is looking for FREE advertisement for a business or organization at the **Touch-**

**A-Truck** event on October 9<sup>th</sup>, please email Lauren Domzalski, Recreation Director, at [recreation@mapleshade.com](mailto:recreation@mapleshade.com) . We are looking for individual people and/or groups to sponsor games and activities, as well as additional vehicles to participate in the event.

## 6. LEGO DRIVE



*Click photo for more information*

## 7. MAPLE SHADE STREET HOCKEY REGISTRATION



## 8. MURDER MYSTERY DINNER

The Maple Shade Lions Club and Soccer program are hosting a Golden Girls Murder Mystery Dinner on September 17<sup>th</sup> from 7PM – 11:30PM at the Maple Shade Lions Club, 37 N. Lippincott Avenue. Please click [HERE](#) for more information and to order tickets.

## 9. 3<sup>rd</sup> QUARTER TAX BILLS DELAYED

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Tax Bills normally due August 1<sup>st</sup> are delayed and will be mailed by September 1, 2022. The grace period to pay without interest will be extended to September 26, 2022.

## 10. MUNICIPAL STAFF TO PARTICIPATE IN ACTIVE SHOOTER TRAINING - FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022

On Friday September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Municipal Administrative Staff will undergo the first in a series of Active Shooter Training. The training will include classroom instruction conducted by Maple Shade Police Department Personnel and will focus on comprehensive solutions for active shooter preparedness and other safety and emergency measures. These solutions will help prepare our staff and replace fear and hopelessness with preparation and readiness in the face of violence.

Administrative Offices will be **CLOSED** from 12:30pm to 3:00pm while staff participates in the training.



## 11. COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP EVENT



## 12. UTILITIES

The summer has been warm, and the New Jersey weather has been beautiful! But, with that, also comes a rainfall deficit.

Currently, the State of New Jersey is under a drought warning. There are no mandatory restrictions in place, but the Department of Environmental Protection has asked all residents to voluntarily conserve water and reduce outdoor water use. Here is some helpful information from the NJDEP:

### NEW JERSEY ENTERS DROUGHT WATCH Murphy Administration Urges NJ Residents and Businesses to Conserve Water to Avoid Worsening Water Supply Conditions

#### Water Supply Status and Actions

##### Normal ☒

Routine monitoring of water supply and meteorological indicators. All conditions normal.

##### Current Status

##### Watch

Focus placed on voluntary reductions in demand through increased public awareness.

##### Warning

DEP Commissioner issues order urging public to voluntarily use water sparingly; DEP may issue orders to purveyors to manage supplies in most affected regions.

##### Emergency

Governor orders mandatory restrictions on certain uses of water, usually phased in as conditions deteriorate.

New Jersey Commissioner of Environmental Protection Shawn M. LaTourette issued a statewide **drought watch** as of August 9, 2022, and the Murphy Administration is urging residents and businesses to conserve water as persistent dry and hot conditions continue to stress water supplies throughout the state.

The Commissioner's declaration of a drought watch is the first in the State's three-stage drought advisory system. The watch is intended to sow public awareness and appreciation of the stress upon water supply sources and encourage voluntary water conservation measures. If conditions do not improve, declaration of a drought warning or a drought emergency with mandatory water use restrictions may become necessary. Voluntary conservation measures at the watch stage can help to avoid more serious and restrictive drought conditions.

"Stream flow and ground water levels are falling below normal for most of the state and some reservoirs are showing steep rates of decline as hot and dry conditions continue," Commissioner LaTourette said. "While water conservation is always important, it becomes critical during prolonged dry and hot periods like New Jersey has been experiencing. If residents and businesses do all they can to reduce water demand, together we can ensure ample supplies in the coming weeks and months."

At this time of year, more than 30 percent of water demand in suburban areas is for outdoor purposes, much of which can be reduced or avoided. The public can make a big difference by reducing watering of lawns and landscaping, reducing the washing of vehicles, and cutting back nonessential uses such as hosing off driveways and sidewalks. Residents and businesses can also practice many conservation measures to reduce indoor water use. For more water conservation tips, visit <https://dep.nj.gov/conserves-water/>

On July 26, the DEP reminded residents and businesses of the impact hot and dry conditions could have on supplies and asked for the public's assistance to moderate demand. Water conservation measures are vital tools that will help New Jersey residents and businesses as we continue to confront a changing climate.

As explained in the New Jersey-specific Scientific Report on Climate Change first released in July 2020, while New Jersey will experience a greater frequency of intense rain events and decreases in precipitation may occur in the summer months, resulting in greater potential for more frequent and prolonged droughts.

The most up-to-date information about the status of New Jersey's water supplies can be found at [dep.nj.gov/drought](https://dep.nj.gov/drought). The last drought watch or warning to be declared in New Jersey was in 2016. The last drought emergency with mandatory water use restrictions was declared in 2002. In October 2016, the DEP placed 14 counties in the northern, central, and northern coastal areas of New Jersey under a drought warning due to ongoing precipitation deficits and deteriorating water-supply conditions, particularly storage levels in reservoirs. At the same time, regions along the lower Delaware River were placed under a watch. All regional drought warnings and watches were lifted by August 2017. In March 2002, then-Governor Jim McGreevey declared a drought emergency, which was lifted in January 2003.

The DEP is continuing to closely monitor drought indicators, which include precipitation, stream flows, reservoir levels, ground water levels, and water demand. DEP will continue to inform the public, local governments, and water systems of future actions to mitigate the risk of more severe conditions.

### **13. MUNICIPAL PROJECT UPDATES**

Residents may have noticed many different projects around town over the past several weeks. Here are just a few of what has been happening:

#### **1. Safe Routes to Schools – Pedestrian Safety Improvement Project**

This Federally Funded Project replaced portions of curbs, sidewalks and handicap ramps along Frederick and S. Clinton Avenues. The project is meant to improve pedestrian safety along a school corridor. Work began in mid-July and was substantially completed the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of August.

## 2. Collins Lane & N. Coles – NJDOT Project

The Township, having received NJDOT Funding for this project, will replace portions of curbs, sidewalk, aprons and roadway on both Collins Lane and N. Coles Avenue. Work to these roadways began the week of August 22<sup>nd</sup> and will continue through the month of September.

## 3. 2022 Roadway Restoration Project – Milling & Paving

Beginning the week of August 29<sup>th</sup>, **West Gradwell Avenue** – from Clinton Avenue to South Coles Avenue; **Anna Avenue** – from South Forkland Road to South Lippincott Avenue; **Cutler Ave.** – from West Center Avenue to the End will undergo a milling and paving project. The work to these roadways will provide much needed improvements and extend the life of the roadways.

## 4. Resurfacing of South Lippincott Ave – Award of Contract

At the August 18<sup>th</sup> Meeting, Township Council awarded a contract to Black Rock Enterprises, LLC for the resurfacing of South Lippincott Ave. The project is being funded by an NJDOT grant that was awarded in 2021. A Project Timeline has not yet been released; however, we anticipate an early fall start date. Residents affected by the work will be notified by the contractor when work will begin.

## 14. POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Maple Shade Police Department has been very busy over the last few weeks. On August 2, 2022, the Maple Shade Police Department, in conjunction with the Maple Shade Police Chaplain Association PBA 267, hosted a very, successful National Night Out. National Night Out is a totally *Free of Charge* event that included lots of food, fun, and officers getting dunked for the sake of their new colleague, Sitka the K-9 Officer. Many residents also made contributions to the Maple Shade Food Bank. A special shout out to all the generous local business owners who helped make this event possible. A great time was had by all.

On August 17, 2022, Mr. Softee visited the Maple Shade Police Department for “Custard with a Cop”. This was the Police Department’s first event of its kind in an effort to connect with the youth in the community. Two hundred and sixty-five, happy customers were served ice cream and popsicles in just one hour! The night was full of laughter, conversation, and brain freeze. Many officers and residents were able to find new friends in one another while enjoying a night out. The event was possible thanks to funding from GCADA, Governor’s Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse.

Stay tuned for future events planned with the Maple Shade Police Department! The Maple Shade Police Department thanks you for your continued support!







## 15. CLEAN COMMUNITIES AT NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The Clean Communities table at National Night Out was a huge success. All the kids enjoyed spinning the wheel and answering litter related questions for a chance to win exciting prizes.



## **16. MAPLE SHADE LIBRARY**

Monday – Thursday: 10AM to 8:30PM

Friday & Saturday: 10AM to 5PM

Call or Visit the Library for Further Details

**Library is CLOSED Labor Day Weekend (September 3rd, 4th, & 5th)**

### **Youth Services Events: Registration is REQUIRED for all Events**

- September 1st @ 3:30 p.m.: Tween and Teen 3D Printing Club. Registration Required.
- September 6th @ 3:30 p.m.: Tween and Teen LEGO Club. Registration Required.
- September 9th @ 10:30 a.m.: Baby and Toddler Storytime. Registration Required.
- September 12th @ 3:30 p.m.: Tween and Teen Afternoon Art: Action Painting. Registration Required.
- September 14th @ 3:30 p.m.: Kids' Afternoon Art: Action Painting. Registration Required.
- September 16th @ 10:30 a.m.: Maple Shade Collins Lane Park Storytime. Registration Required.
- September 20th @ 10:30 a.m.: Preschool Painters: Action Painting. Registration Required.
- September 23rd @ 10:30 a.m.: Baby and Toddler Storytime. Registration Required.
- September 26th @ 3:30 p.m.: Comics Club. Registration Required.
- September 30th @ 10:30 a.m.: Maple Shade Collins Lane Park Storytime. Registration Required.

### **Adult Services Events**

- September 1st @ 6:00 p.m.: Gentler Yoga. Registration Required
- September 6th @ 11:00 a.m.: Moorestown Visiting Nurses: Blood Pressure Checks.
- September 8th @ 2:00 p.m.: Providence House: The Effects of Domestic Violence on Children. Registration Required.
- September 10th @ 10:30 a.m.: Conversation for English Language Learners. Registration Required.
- September 10th @ 11:00 a.m.: Medicare and You: An Educational Seminar. Registration Required.
- September 15th @ 2:00 p.m.: Writing Workshop: The Poetic Form. Registration Required.
- September 15th @ 6:00 p.m.: Gentler Yoga. Registration Required.
- September 22nd @ 1:00 p.m.: Unclaimed Property Information Session. Registration Required.
- September 24th @ 10:30 a.m.: Conversation for English Language Learners. Registration Required.
- September 27th @ 2:00 p.m.: Ask the Master Gardeners of Burlington County.
- September 28th @ 2:00 p.m.: Bookbuzzers Book Club. Registration Required.

**All Events are Free!**

## **17. SEPTEMBER MEETINGS**

- Thursday, September 8, 2022 - Town Council Meeting @ 6:30PM
- Wednesday, September 14, 2022 - Zoning Board Meeting @ 7:00PM
- Thursday, September 22, 2022 - Town Council Meeting @ 6:30PM
- Wednesday, September 28, 2022 - Planning Board Meeting @ 7:00PM