

Township of Maple Shade

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Township of Maple Shade News OCTOBER 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 DAY & TIME CAPSULE OPENING

On October 10, 2022, the Township of Maple Shade held "Maple Shade Day" with the Opening of the Time Capsule which was placed in the ground thirty years ago when the doors were opened to the new Municipal Building Complex on October 10, 1992. The day's event involved numerous speakers including State Senator, James Beach; Mayor, Sandy Nunes; Councilwoman Claire Volpe; and Township Manager, Susan Danson. The hundreds in attendance anxiously awaited the opening of the 30-year-old time capsule which contained some items such as a scrapbook, "Support the Troops" flag, VHS tape, several newspaper clippings, and numerous other memorabilia from 1992. A new time capsule was then unveiled where many town organizations, sports, local businesses, and schools donated items to be included. The new time capsule is scheduled to be opened in 25 years. The day's event concluded with guests visiting the Senior Room inside the Municipal Building Complex where historical artifacts and relics were displayed and light refreshments were provided.

Residents are invited to view all the items throughout the month of October in the Senior Room of the Municipal Building, Monday to Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm and various evenings throughout the month. Please check the township webpage at www.mapleshade.com for updated weekly schedules.







2. GENERAL ELECTION INFORMATION - PLAN YOUR VOTE!

DATES TO REMEMBER

1. September 24, 2022 – Commencement of Mailing of Mail-In Ballots for General Election

2. October 18, 2022 – Voter Registration Deadline for General (21 Days Prior)

3. October 26, 2022- Mailing Sample Ballots

4. November 1, 2022 – Deadline to apply for a Mail-In ballot by mail

5. October 29 – November 6, 2022 – Early Voting Period

6. November 7, 2022 – Deadline for In-Person Mail-In Ballot Applications - 3PM

7. November 8, 2022 – General Election - 6AM to 8PM

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

DISTRICTS: 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 in the past, 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

* Early Voting Information & Voting Locations

Every County will provide registered voters with the option of early, in-person voting for the 2022 General Election. They will designate in-person early voting locations that will be open October 29, 2022 – November 6, 2022. Hours will be Monday -Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. and Sunday, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. No appointment necessary.

*Locations for early voting are being determined, please visit the Burlington County website at: vote.nj.gov for updates and valuable voting information such as frequently asked questions, Am I Registered?, and Track My Ballot.

3. MAPLE SHADE HIGH SCHOOL 50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



(click photo for a flyer with more info)

4. RECREATION DEPARMENT

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

- Lil Sous Chef Halloween Cooking Class
- <u>Lil Sous Chef November Cooking Classes</u>

^{*} **Ballot box** is located at the front doors of the Township Building, 200 Stiles Avenue, Maple Shade, NJ 08052.

5. FALL HYDRANT FLUSHING

Hydrants will be flushed in town from October 2nd – 29th.



6. HALLOWEEN IN MAPLE SHADE

<u>Halloween Parade</u> – <u>Halloween Trick or Treating</u> – Saturday, October 29th AT 2:15PM Monday, October 31st - <u>HALLOWEEN NOTICE</u>



(click photo for a flyer with more info)

7. <u>LEGO DRIVE</u>



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8. FALL LEAF COLLECTION



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9. CALL 811 BEFORE YOU DIG



Always be sure to contact 811 before any digging activities occur. IDENTIFIY PIPELINE LOCATION: Visit the National Pipeline Mapping System at WWW.npms.phmsa.dot.gov

Recognizing a Pipeline Leak

While pipelines are the safest way to transport gaseous and liquid petroleum products, it is important to know the signs of a pipeline leak. Visual signs can include dying or discolored vegetation, a sheen on water, a mist or vapor cloud, petroleum-stained ground, or a fire or explosion. The sound of a pipeline leak can range from a slight hissing to a loud roar depending on the size of the leak. Unusual smells such as a petroleum or gaseous odor may also accompany pipeline leaks.

POSSIBLE PRODUCTTS TRANSPORTED IN YOUR AREA		
PRODUCT	LEAK TYP	E VAPORS
NITROGEN	Gas	Initially heavier than air and spread along ground
CRUDE, DIESEL, JET FUEL	Liquid	Initially heavier than air and spread along ground and collect in low and confined areas. Vapors may travel to source of ignition and flash back. Explosion hazards indoor, outdoor or sewers
BUTANE, PROPANE NATURAL GAS (NGL) (Volatile liquids)	Gas	Initially heavier than air and spread along ground and collect in low and confined areas. Vapors may travel to source of ignition and flash back. Product is colorless, tasteless and odorless

COLOR CHART

Determine which utilities have marked their underground utility lines at your property.



(click on photo to access a larger scale)

10. 2021 SENIOR FREEZE

You can still file for the 2021 Senior Freeze. The deadline for 2021 applications is October 31, 2022.

11. ANCHOR BENEFIT APPLICATION

The ANCHOR benefit replaces the Homestead Benefit program.

This program provides property tax relief to New Jersey residents who owned or rented their principal residence (main home) on October 1, 2019 and met the income limits.

The deadline for filing your ANCHOR benefit application is December 30, 2022. The State of New Jersey will begin paying the ANCHOR benefits in the late Spring of 2023. Anchor payments will be paid in the form of a direct deposit or check, not as credits to property tax bills. The State of New Jersey is currently mailing benefit information mailers to homeowners and tenants. Allow until the first week in October to receive your mailer. If you did not receive an ANCHOR mailer but you owned a residence in New Jersey on October 1, 2019, call <u>1-888-238-1233</u>. The State of New Jersey encourages residents to check the Division of Taxation's <u>ANCHOR website</u> prior to calling to see if their question is answered there.

12. CONSTRUCTION OFFICE - DO I NEED A PERMIT?

Embarking on a long-awaited home renovation or taking care of some repairs? It's important for homeowners to know when a construction permit is necessary.

A permit is required when you construct, enlarge, repair, renovate, alter, reconstruct, or demolish a building or structure or you change the use of a building. A construction permit is permission to do most kinds of work on a dwelling or other type of commercial or industrial building. The purpose of a permit is to allow our inspectors to observe the progress of the work to be sure it meets safety standards and codes. The permit consists of five different subcode sections as needed. They are Building, Electric, Plumbing, Fire, and Mechanical.

Some work does not require a permit. This includes ordinary maintenance projects such as painting and carpeting in residential structures, replacement of storm windows and doors of the same size openings, wallpaper, the replacement of kitchen cabinets, etc. If you are unsure, we suggest you call the Construction Office to check to see if a permit is needed.

Permit Requirements:

You must complete a permit application, which is available online at https://mapleshade.com/construction-office/ or at the Construction Office inside the municipal building. A description of work to be done must be completed and submitted to be reviewed by the appropriate sub-code official(s). When your application is approved, it is processed and recorded. You will be notified of the cost and when to pick-up the completed permit. If for some reason your application is denied, the applicant is notified of the reason. Please note that permit processing can take up to 20 days.

Questions? Contact the Construction Office Monday – Friday 8:30AM – 4:30PM by calling 856-779-9610 Ext. 114.

13. WINTER-INDOOR SOCCER SIGN-UPS

Register online at www.mapleshadesoccer.net by November 1st All practices and games are held in the Maple Shade Public School's Gyms. Games are 1/7/2023 – 3/18/2023.

14. BASKETBALL SIGN-UPS

Wednesday, October 19th	6PM – 8PM @ Municipal Building Lobby, 200 Stiles Ave
Saturday, October 22 nd	10AM – Noon @ Municipal Building Lobby, 200 Stiles Ave
Tuesday, October 25 th	6PM - 8PM @ Municipal Building Lobby, 200 Stiles Ave
Thursday, October 27 th	$6\mathrm{PM}-8\mathrm{PM}$ @ Municipal Building Lobby, 200 Stiles Ave
Saturday, October 29th	10AM - Noon @ Municipal Building Lobby, 200 Stiles Ave



15. UTILITIES

FALL HYDRANT FLUSHING

Fall hydrant flushing will begin Sunday October 2nd and continue through Friday October 21st. The utility flushes every hydrant each spring and fall to ensure the proper functionality of the hydrants, remove sediments from the distribution system and to improve overall water quality. The hydrants are flushed during the overnight hours from 10 PM to 6 AM.

It is not unusual to experience discolored water when nearby hydrants are flushed.

Residents are advised to run a <u>COLD</u> water only tap for 5 minutes to check for discoloration prior to doing laundry in October to avoid unexpected staining of clothing. Never run the hot water to check for discoloration.

If you do observe discolored water:

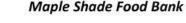
- Run a **COLD** water only tap until the condition clears (usually 15 minutes or less)
- Do not run any HOT water until after clear water is confirmed at the cold-water tap. Running hot water will draw discolored water into the water heater making the condition much more difficult to clear.
- Do not do laundry until clear water is confirmed at the cold-water tap.
- If clothing is inadvertently stained from washing with discolored water, DO NOT DRY the clothes. Drying the clothes will set the stain permanently. Call the utility at (856) 488-7450 during normal business hours and we will provide you with a specially formulated detergent designed to remove these types of stains, FREE OF CHARGE.

The progress of this program will be posted on the utility's web site www.mapleshadeutilities.com and updated periodically throughout.

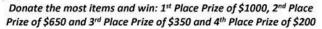
Since this program is being conducted during the evening hours, it will be dark and the roads will be wet, so please drive carefully when operating a vehicle near the flushing crew.

Monday October 3rd until Tuesday, November 15th

3rd Annual "Fill the Truck Food Event" Benefitting the



Shaders Helping Shaders this Holiday Season



Sponsored by: the Maple Shade Police Chaplain Association (non-profit), the Maple Shade Police Chaplain Corp, Maple Shade Police Department, PBA Local #267, Maple Shade Township, the Maple Shade Business Association, Investors Bank, the Maple Shade First Aid Squad, Maple Shade Public Works and the Maple Shade Custard Stand.

What is needed: Non-perishable food items such as canned vegetables, pasta, sauce, peanut butter and jelly, mac and cheese, soups, juice, cereal, snacks...personal products such as soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, feminine hygiene products, deodorant...paper towels, toilet paper, Acme and Shade Bucks gift cards in \$10 and \$25 increments for perishable items...Shade Buck gift cards can be obtained from ThinkMapleShade.com or at Investors Bank, Columbia Bank, Smith Bros. Drug Store or the Custard Stand.

Competition: We invite Maple Shade Sports Organizations along with Maple Shade community based groups (ie. Scouts, Youth Groups, Arts Council) to compete against one another to raise the total largest amount of food bank items in order to win a first, second, third or fourth place prize. Donations must be checked in at the live event on Tuesday, November 15, 2022 between 4:30pm & 7:30pm to our truck parked at the Maple Shade Custard Stand. All contestants are then requested to physically drop off and load their donations into the Food Bank located on the Park Avenue side of the Municipal Building once the check in process is complete.

Please know the total amount of items you are donating, as winners will be announced at the conclusion of our event!



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17. 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 October 10th for Indigenous Peoples' Day

Youth Services Events

• October 4th @ 3:30 p.m.: Tween and Teen LEGO Club. <u>Registration Required.</u>

• October 5th @ 10:30 a.m.: Baby and Toddler Storytime. Registration Required.

More events to come. Website will be updated accordingly.

Adult Services Events

October 4th @ 11:00 a.m.: Moorestown Visiting Nurses: Blood Pressure Checks.

• October 6th @ 2:00 p.m.: Domestic Violence 101. Registration Required.

October 6th @ 6:00 p.m.: Gentle Yoga. Registration Required.

October 8th @ 10:30 a.m.: Conversation for English Language Learners. Registration Required.

October 13th @ 6:00 p.m.: Frontier Feminists. Registration Required.

• October 15th @ 10:30 p.m.: Educational Medicare Open Enrollment Seminar. Registration

Required.

October 20th @ 2:00 p.m.: Tall Tales and Short Story Writing. <u>Registration Required.</u>

October 20th @ 6:00 p.m.: Gentle Yoga. <u>Registration Required.</u>

• October 22nd @ 10:30 a.m.: Conversation for English Language Learners. Registration Required.

October 22nd @ 11:00 a.m.: Paranormal 101. Registration Required.

• October 25th @ 1:00 p.m.: Ask the Master Gardeners.

• October 26th @ 2:00 p.m.: Bookbuzzers Book Club. <u>Registration Required.</u>

All Events are Free!

18. OCTOBER MEETINGS

Wednesday, October 12, 2022 - Zoning Board Meeting @ 7:00PM
 Thursday, October 13, 2022 - Town Council Meeting @ 6:30PM
 Wednesday, October 26, 2022 - Planning Board Meeting @ 7:00PM

• Thursday, October 27, 2022 - Town Council Meeting @ 6:30PM