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WATERCRAFT LEFT ON THE BEACH

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Any improperly stored watercraft have been removed and stored at DPW until claimed.

If you need to pick up your watercraft from DPW, please contact 609-654-8898. Watercraft can be picked up from 7:00 am – 2:00 pm by appointment only. Thank you for your cooperation.

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LAKE LEADERS MEETING

The Colony Lakes Committee will host a Lake Leaders Meeting on September 21 at 7 PM in Demby. The meeting is open to all members. Topics to be covered are:

- Problematic water levels in the west-side lake systems – causes and potential solutions
- Ways to conserve water
- The effect of lawn fertilizers and other chemicals
- Evaluation of the hydro-raking project
- Review of lake aeration program
- Weed, algae, and lily pad issues and mitigation strategies
- Pod application to NJDEP and status of alternatives previously considered
- Comments with Q and A

COLONY MEETING

On Monday, September 14, 2026, the Board of Directors of the Medford Lakes Colony will be meeting at 7:00 pm in Demby Annex. All members in good standing are encouraged to attend.

BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED

New Board Members, to begin a term in January 2027, are needed.

If you are interested in serving on the Medford Lakes Colony Board of Directors, please attend the monthly meetings of the Board and send your resume to office@ml-colony.org.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

If you are moving or changing your address (even if it is temporary hold), please promptly notify the Colony Office by emailing office@mlcolony.org or by calling 609-654-7747.

The Postal Service is very accommodating to Medford Lakes Colony, and it is truly appreciated. However, they do not forward third-class mail. The Colony News is mailed to you weekly via third-class mail. The Post Office charges the Colony for any returned items.

Please be sure to include the Colony in your mailing changes.

CURBSIDE BULK TRASH PICKUP

The next large trash curbside pickup is scheduled for Monday, September 14th.

If you want a pickup at your curbside on Sept. 14th, please call 609-654-9383 between Sept. 7th and 11th and leave a message. All calls must be received by 4:00 pm on Friday, Sept. 11th – calls received after 4:00 pm will not be added to Monday's curbside pickup.

Your message should include the following: your name, address, a contact phone number to return your call if necessary, and what you are leaving at the curbside for pickup. Do not put items out to the curb until the night before the pickup.

All mattresses, boxsprings, or tire payments must be paid by 3:30 pm on Friday, Sept. 11th at the Borough Office.

Questions? Please contact Public Works at 609-654-9383.

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NO SATURDAY LARGE TRASH DROP OFF SEPT. 12TH

There will be no Saturday large trash drop off behind the firehouse on Sept. 5th & Sept. 12th.

APPRECIATION DINNER FOR 2025 COLONY PRESIDENT WILL SARACENI

The Medford Lakes Colony President's Dinner for Will Saraceni will be held on Saturday, October 10, 2026, at the Medford Lakes Country Club starting at 6:30 pm. Please save the date. More information will be shared soon.

SEPTEMBER 11TH REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY (25-YEARS)

A September 11th Memorial Service will be held at the 9/11 Memorial located within the Leon E. Todd Memorial Park just off Stokes Road, in the Borough of Medford Lakes, beginning at 6:00pm on Friday, September 11th, 2026.

Please join the community, Borough Officials, the police department, fire department, veterans and scouts as we remember those lost and injured 25 years ago.

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ML GARDEN CLUB MEETING & LUNCHEON

Wed., September 16, 2026, 11:30AM – 3:00PM
 Vaughan Hall, 79 Tecumseh Trail/Medford Lakes, NJ
 Meeting Cost: Free

Join us for the next Medford Lakes Garden Club Meeting and Luncheon, as well as its program presented by the Club's new President, Kathy Summerville, from 11:30 am to 3:00 pm on September 16.

Kathy will tell us all about the plans for the coming year. For more information, email janet.wolf77@yahoo.com, JOIN US!! Address: Vaughan Hall, 79 Tecumseh Trail, Medford Lakes, NJ 08055.

PCC FELLOWSHIP BREAKFASTS ARE BACK!

After a two-month summer recess, the Fellowship Breakfast at Protestant Community Church will resume on September 19 at 8:30 am in the Todd Building. After breakfast, Eric Orange, Burlington County Historian, will speak about the history of the Revolutionary War in Burlington County. We look forward to seeing you there!

MEDFORD LAKES LIONS CLUB UPCOMING EVENTS

Interested in getting involved or have any questions?

Please call the Lions hotline at 609-654-2300 or email info@medfordlakeslions.org.
<https://medfordlakeslions.org/calendar/>

To view the Sept. 2026 issue of The Roar, the ML Lions Newsletter, please visit -
<https://medfordlakeslions.org/theroar/sep2026.pdf>



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2026 Medford Lakes Lions Club Calendar

SEPTEMBER	Fall Events
2-Sep	President's Spaghetti Dinner (6:30 to 8 p.m.)
16-Sep	Blood Drive in Memorial Hall (2:00 to 7 p.m.)
16-Sep	Dinner Meeting (6:30 to 8:00 p.m.)
19-Sep	Food Pantry Open (9 to 11 a.m.)
19-Sep	Magic Seeds Scavenger Hunt (3 to 5:00 p.m.)
25-Sep	Texas Holdem Tournament @ Lodge (6 p.m.)
28-Sep	Lions Board Meeting (7 p.m.)
OCTOBER	Fall Events
7-Oct	Dinner Meeting (6:30 to 8:00 p.m.)
17-Oct	Food Pantry Open (9 to 11 a.m.)
21-Oct	Dinner Meeting (6:30 to 8:00 p.m.)
24-Oct	Lions Float in Halloween Parade (7 to 8 p.m.)
25-Oct	Witches Paddle (2 to 6 p.m.)
26-Oct	Lions Board Meeting (7 p.m.)

SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

September marks National Preparedness Month, the annual campaign to remind everyone that preparing for emergencies and disasters can keep them, their families and their communities safe.

For more information please visit: <https://www.ready.gov/>

The theme for 2026 is "Americans Stand Ready."

BEFORE AUTUMN BEGINS! GIVE BLOOD!

The Medford Lakes Lions are sponsors for the American Red Cross Blood Drive to be held Wednesday, September 16th the Protestant Community Church's Memorial Hall. Appointments are from 1:00 to 6:00 PM and can be made with the mobile app or on the www.redcrossblood.org website. First time donors welcome! Questions? Call 609-605-1399 and leave a message.

JOIN THE SCAVENGER HUNT TO SUPPORT THE MAGIC SEEDS PROJECT

Gather your team and join The Magic Seeds Project for a family-friendly Scavenger Hunt on Saturday, September 19! Teams of 2-4 will kick off at Memorial Hall in Medford Lakes at 3:00 PM, then head out to snap photos and find specific items for points before returning by 5:00 PM. Proceeds will help fund Book Bundles, putting brand-new books directly into the hands of young children to build home libraries and a love of reading.

Register your team today: <https://themagicseedsproject.org/fundraiser>

Questions? Contact Scott Strong at scott@themagicseedsproject.org



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Monday, September 14th – Curbside Bulk Trash Collection – see article for more information
Monday, September 14th – Colony Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, Demby Annex
Thursday, September 17th – Planning Board Meeting, 7:30 pm, Oaks Hall



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