

FOLEY MECHANICAL INC.
HEATING & COOLING
Service & Installation
NJ Master Plumber #9548
NJHVACR #3731

SOUTH JERSEY GAS
Participating Contractor
Carrier
Turn to the experts
11 Broad St • Medford, NJ
(609) 654-7327

DAVIS PHYSICAL THERAPY & SPORTS REHAB
A TEAM APPROACH TO PHYSICAL THERAPY
Dr. Andrea Davis
338 Stokes Road, Medford, NJ 08055
609-451-5404 • DAVISPTSR.COM

ADDITIONS
REMODELING
KITCHENS/BATHS
INNOVATIVE IMPROVEMENTS, L.L.C.
DAVE STIELAU
(609) 714-3535
www.innovativeimprovements.com
DECKS
DOCKS
BULKHEADS
27 Hiawatha Trail
Medford Lakes, NJ 08055



MEDFORD LAKES COLONY NEWS



Vol. 33

December 26, 2025

No. 52

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

The Medford Lakes Colony Board of Directors would like to extend warm seasonal greetings to you and your loved ones during this holiday season. Thank you for being a loyal Colonist.

Best wishes in the New Year.



Keep the Holidays "Green!"

Recycle non-working strands of Christmas tree and outdoor holiday lights at our permanent electronics dropoff at the County's Resource Recovery Complex.

Please place strands of lights in CLEAR BAGS OR CARDBOARD BOXES when delivering them to the Complex.

FREE

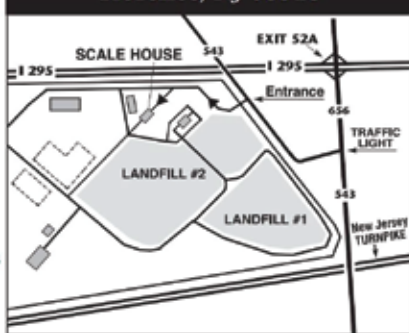
to Burlington County Residents
Monday through Friday
7am to 4:30pm
Saturday
7am - 11:30am

Go directly to the scalehouse; from there you will be directed to the electronics recycling area.

For more information, call (609) 499-1001 or email recycle@co.burlington.nj.us



BURLINGTON COUNTY RESOURCE RECOVERY COMPLEX
22000 Burlington-Columbus Rd.
Florence, NJ 08518



Nov. 2020



BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED

New Board Members, to begin a term in January 2026, 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@mlcolony.org.



New York drops a ball. Medford Lakes drops a canoe!

Back by popular demand, the Mad Paddlers present the

Medford Lakes Canoe Drop on New Year's Eve at Beach 3!

Both events are free to attend.

Kid friendly NYE Canoe Drop

From 5:00-6:30 PM, we will host a family friendly event which will include music and fire pits. The Canoe Drop will happen at precisely 6 PM. Glow items will be available for purchase. All kids must be accompanied by an adult.

Midnight NYE Canoe Drop

The main event will start at 11:00 PM and conclude at 12:30 AM. The MLPD has asked that everyone be off the beach by 12:30 AM. Please note that many members of our community are coming together to make this event happen: Police Department, Fire Department, ML Colony, etc. Please make sure that all attendees are being respectful of, and adhering to, all Colony and Borough rules during the event, so that this event can continue to happen year after year.

While we love putting on this event for the community, please consider making a donation to offset the cost of the insurance and permits needed. Donations can be sent via Venmo to @Mad-Paddlers



CONSTRUCTION & REMODELING

Kitchens, Bathrooms
Custom Trim Work, Custom Tile Work
Hardwood and Custom Flooring,
Painting, Doors, Windows, Decks,
Lighting & MORE!
Your trusted home town company.
Fully Licensed & Insured
609-953-1984 Medford, NJ
info@amegaenterprises.com
www.amegaenterprises.com

BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY HOMESERVICES
FOX & ROACH, REALTORS*



Jody M Pagliuso
Sales Representative, REALTOR

352 Stokes Road, Suite 1
Medford, NJ 08055
609-654-1888 Bus
609-410-9573 Cell
Jody.pagliuso@foxroach.com
jodypagliuso.foxroach.com

A member of the franchise system of BHH Affiliates, LLC

ADVERTISE HERE!

CALL (609) 654-7747 TODAY
FOR MORE INFORMATION



Interior/Exterior Painting & Staining,
Cabinet Refinishing • Powerwashing • Carpentry
RevivePaintingNJ.com • 609-714-0404



GIBSON ELECTRICAL & GENERAL CONTRACTORS

"Quality Service at a price that won't shock you"
Residential • Commercial • Industrial
Emergency Service 24/7 • Fully Insured & Bonded
FREE ESTIMATES
Medford Lakes Colony Member!
856-346-3388
www.gibson-electrical.com
Email: gibsonelectric@comcast.net
N.J. Lic. #14718



LANDVISIONS
DESIGN • BUILD • MAINTAIN

609-908-0619
Landvisionsnj@gmail.com • Facebook: @landvisionsnj
Where Outdoor Living Begins!

Medford Lakes Resident for Over 40 Years!

Meredith A. Hahn, Realtor®

352 Stokes Rd. Suite 1 • Medford, NJ 08055

meredith.hahn@foxroach.com

Office (609) 654-1888

Cell (609) 760-9105

BERKSHIRE
HATHAWAY
HOMESERVICES

FOX & ROACH,
REALTORS®

A member of the franchise system of B-H Affiliates, LLC



510 A Stokes Rd., Medford
609-953-7881

Hair Design & Coloring
Nails & Pedicures ~ Massage
Waxing ~ Make-up ~ Facials
Body Treatments ~ Day Packages

Gift Certificates

See us on Facebook

FULLY INSURED (609) 893-2784 FAX: (609) 735-367

**JOE SMOLARSKI & SON
PLUMBING & HEATING L.L.C.**

SEWER & DRAIN CLEANING • WATER CONDITIONING
BATHROOM & KITCHEN REMODELING

Plumbing License Numbers

5702 & 10705

603 Vine Street

Browns Mills, NJ 08015

Email: smolarskiplumbing@comcast.net

Web Site: smolarskiplumbing.com

COLONY NEWS

This newsletter is more than a weekly periodical – it helps keep you informed and connect with important announcements happening in the community. Whenever you can, please take a moment to glance over the titles and articles that interest you. The Colony Office is always available to answer any of your questions.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the Colony News with a notice, announcement, or item of interest this year.

A special thank you is needed to Heather and Gary at Affordable Offset Printing for going above and beyond to make sure the Colony News is typeset, printed, folded, and delivered to us in time.

Finally, a shoutout is also needed for our Postal Carriers. Their diligence is greatly appreciated!



COLONY MEETING

Please join the Medford Lakes Colony Board of Directors for the first scheduled meeting of 2026 on Monday, January 12, 2026, beginning at 7:00 PM (NEW time) in Demby Annex. If you need something included on the agenda, please submit it to the Colony Office no later than Monday, January 5th. Items for the agenda and questions can be directed to office@mlcolony.org.

All members in good standing are encouraged to attend.

2026 DUES

Invoices will be mailed early next week. Please keep an eye on your mail for your invoice. Questions can be directed to the Colony Office at office@mlcolony.org or 609-654-7747.



683 Stokes Rd • Medford, NJ 08055

609-654-POOL

www.jerseypoolsandspas.com

Lic# 13VH01338600

**YOUR AD
SHOULD BE HERE!**

**CALL (609) 654-7747
FOR MORE INFORMATION**



Medford Animal Hospital
www.medfordanimalhospitalnj.com

609-654-6855

45 Jackson Rd Medford, NJ 08055

medfordanimalhospital@gmail.com

Weichert
REALTORS

Donna Bittle

M: 609.234.3375 | dbittle6@gmail.com

Melisa Warren

M: 609.220.8970 | mwarren@weichert.com

Proud colony members serving the Medford Lakes area for 25 years. ☎ 856.983.2888

Ellicott
BUILDERS

John Ellicott

Cell 609-923-3002

Office 609-654-4277

Medford Lakes Colonist

Remodeling

Additions

Deck ▼ Docks

Bulkheads

References Available - Fully Insured

Lic. #13VH01347000

We Do Fireplaces

Rettinger
FIREPLACE SYSTEMS

Chimney Service • Gas Fireplaces
Wood Stoves • Surround Design

1-855-GET-RETT

We deliver mulch and stone.



Redmond's
GARDEN CENTER

1360 Route 206
Tabernacle, NJ
609-268-1018

Redmondsgardencenters.com

MULCH & STONE
WORLD
Redmond's

1347 Monmouth
Road
Eastampton, NJ
609-261-1118

Mulchandstoneworld.com

Protestant Community Church
"Cathedral of the Woods"
Part of Medford Lakes since 1931

For services and activities, visit us at:
<http://www.protestantcommunitychurch.org/#/>

FOX & ROACH REALTORS®

BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY HOMESERVICES



Carol Cox Latti
Sales Associate, REALTOR®
Lifelong resident of Medford Lakes

609-410-4200

Carol.Latti@foxroach.com
www.Carol.Latti.foxroach.com

352 Stokes Rd. Medford, NJ 08055
Office: 609-654-1888

NJ REALTORS® Circle of Excellence Sales Award 1998-2024

MEMBER DUES RELIEF FUND

Medford Lakes is a snapshot of America, where some neighbors are facing financial hardship due to unemployment, underemployment, family health emergencies, or the like. As much as Colonists are ready to help their neighbors, financial struggles often remain private and go unspoken. A Dues Relief Fund was set-up in 2012 – a temporary, partial dues relief for active Colonists – and has helped many families retain membership when they would not have been able to do so due to financial difficulties. Thank you to those who donated to this fund over the years.

Once again, you are encouraged to:

- 1.) Give what you can to help a neighbor. Donate through your 2026 Colony invoice or at any time at the Colony Office. Even \$5/household adds up!
- 2.) Let us know if you would like to be considered for partial dues relief. An application will be available in the Colony Office and on <http://www.medfordlakescolony.org/dues-reliefapplication>.

We are just beginning to raise funds, and we want to reach as many neighbors as we can. All funds raised will be distributed in a confidential and fair manner.

Questions can be directed to the Colony Office at office@mlcolony.org or 609-654-7747.

RECYCLING FAQ

Can I recycle wrapping paper from holidays and special occasions?

Yes, wrapping paper and tissue paper used for packing or wrapping gifts can be recycled with your regular mixed paper recycling. No foil or plastic wrapping paper and remove ribbon and bows. (<https://www.co.burlington.nj.us/faq.aspx?TID=24>)

HELP WANTED – UPPER CAMP DIRECTOR

Medford Lakes Colony is in need of an Upper Camp Director for the 2026 summer camp season. The Camp Director will assume overall leadership of Upper Camp, staff selection and day-to-day operations. The Camp Director provides leadership, instructional supervision for staff, and interacts daily with campers, staff and families. The Camp Director also works closely with their teams, developing the creative, fun, and wacky traditions that make our camp unique. Interested applicants should submit an online employment application & resume on the Colony's website - <https://www.medfordlakescolony.org/employmentapplication> – by Wed., December 31, 2025.

HELP WANTED

The Colony will also need an "Extended Hours" Camp Director & Upper Camp Swim Instructor for the 2026 summer camp season. If you are interested in applying for any of these positions or would like your application on file for any other future openings, please submit an online application & resume at <https://www.medfordlakescolony.org/employmentapplication>

NEW YEARS TRASH COLLECTION UPDATE

Due to the New Years holiday, the Public Works Department will be collecting trash for zone 3 on Wednesday, December 31st. If you have any questions, please call DPW at 609-654-9383.

SATURDAY TRASH DROP-OFF UPDATE

Due to the Christmas & New Years holidays, there will be NO Saturday Trash Drop-off on December 27th & January 3rd. Drop-offs will resume on Saturday, January 10th.

SINCERE SYMPATHY

Our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Karl W. Baumbach, who was a cherished member of the Medford Lakes, NJ community, who died on December 11, 2025, at the age of 60. Karl was the devoted son of William and Judy Baumbach, who preceded him in death. Above all, Karl was a loving father to Brett Baumbach, whom he considered his greatest achievement and source of pride. Their time together, whether traveling to Lambeau Field, supporting Brett at games with a coffee in hand, or simply sharing everyday moments, was treasured by Karl.

Professionally, Karl was a skilled painting contractor and an active participant in the life of Medford Lakes. He contributed to the Canoe Carnival by building floats, enjoyed Winnebago adventures with friends, and played in the local softball league, especially proud of his years playing with Brett. His passion of sports included playing football for Shawnee High School, and years spent in the Medford Lakes Bowling League, a love he inherited from his father.

Karl is survived by lifelong friends, cousins, and extended family, all of whom will remember his kindness, humor, loyalty, dedication, and sense of community.



ADVERTISE HERE!

**CALL (609) 654-7747 TODAY
FOR MORE INFORMATION**

First Class Tree Service, llc

Sonny Piech • Medford Lakes, NJ
609-714-1202

Sawmill Service
Custom Beams
Mantles • Decking



FRETZ EMPLOYEE BENEFIT SERVICES

Specializing in health insurance
for businesses and individuals
as well as Medicare plans

Contact Jim Fretz

609-351-8759 • jfretz1954@aol.com

Andrew's Car Care



609-953-8264

629 Stokes Rd., Medford

- Repairs on all makes & models
- Tune-ups
- Oil changes
- Brakes
- Mufflers
- Certified NJ Inspection Station



B&B Landscaping, Inc. & Tree Services

Creating Beautiful Yards For Tomorrow's Dreams

- Tree & Limb Removal
- Pruning Trees
- Chipper Services
- Hardscaping Installs
- Landscaping Installs
- Stone Driveways
- Fertilization Program
- Emergency Services

Mike Dittmar
Office: 609-268-1800

NJTC#806858
Cell: 609-744-3955



Commercial
Residential

The Law Office of David J. Karbasian, Esq.



Personal Injury
Municipal Court
Consumer Fraud
Civil Litigation & Criminal Law
Automobile Accidents
Workers' Compensation



www.KarbasianLaw.com
856-667-4666 • FREE CONSULTATION
900 N. Kings Highway • Suite 308 • Cherry Hill, NJ 08034

COLONIST

MEDFORD LAKES COLONY 79 Tecumseh Trail Medford Lakes, NJ 08055

December 26, 2025

The Bertsch Team & Compass Real Estate



Valerie Bertsch
M 609.410.1763
O 856.214.2639
valerie.bertsch@compass.com
valbselshomes.com

The Bertsch Team is a team of real estate licensees affiliated with Compass RE. Compass RE is a licensed real estate broker and trades by equal housing opportunity law. #

COMPASS RE ———

PERIODICAL

CMB
GENERAL CONTRACTOR
Serving South Jersey Since 1986
Call for your free estimate today!
ADDITIONS • DECKS • BATHS
KITCHENS • ROOFING • SIDING
Commercial & Residential
CMBcontracting.com
609-953-1798
272 Old Marlton Pike
Medford NJ 08055

Lakes Fencing
by Mosier Contracting LLC
Repaint
Repair
Replace
Split/Round
Picket Fences
Custom Gates
Shawnee Students
Fully Insured
Derek R. DiPerna
(609) 933-6165
Text or Call

CELEBRATING OVER 40 YEARS!!
The Original
Lakes Appliance & TV
BBB ACCREDITED BUSINESS A+
1/2 NJ Sales Tax
609-654-8667
"A Medford Tradition Since 1982" Mt. Holly
LAKES....YES, WE SELL TVs!

LUCAS AUTO GROUP
YOU'LL LOVE IT AT LUCAS
Jeep RAM
For All Your Sales And Service Needs: Just 5 Miles Away!

AMIANO & SON
DESIGN - BUILD
SOUTHAMPTON, NJ (609)-268-5923
SHIP BOTTOM, NJ WWW.AMIANOANDSON.COM
FULL SERVICE REMODELING COMPANY

**CALL US FOR
HANDYMAN SERVICES**
609-654-5544
Medford Lakes, NJ 08055
Licensed & Insured
HIC #13VH10459000
PATRICK'S HOME SERVICES
MAINTENANCE & REPAIR EXPERTS

Xtreme
Board & Ski
TUNE SHOP
GEAR
RENTALS
LIFT TICKETS
address 683 Stokes Rd.
Medford, NJ 08055
phone 609-654-4886
web jersey pools and spas.com

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
Tuesday, December 30th – Recycle Collection
Thursday, January 1st – Borough & Colony Offices Closed, New Years Day

GERIKE & GERIKE, LLC
COUNSELORS AT LAW
Paul A. Gerike, Esq.
(609) 654-7344
paul@gerikela.com
749 Stokes Road
P.O. Box 2035
Medford, NJ 08055
www.gerikela.com
Real Estate, Estate Administration, Estate Planning and Business Law

KAZMIERSKI ORTHODONTICS
BRACES
BRACES
BRACES
MARLTON | 856 596 1933 | MEDFORD
www.kazorthodontics.com

Safeguard SERVICES
Commercial • Residential
President
Greg V. Kaiser
Safeguard Termite and Pest Control, Inc.
326 Stokes Road, Suite 186, Medford, NJ
Since 1985
Medford: (609) 953-5444
Tabernacle: (609) 268-1002
Marlton: (856) 988-0518
Cherry Hill: (856) 429-9934

Periodicals Postage Paid at Vincentown, NJ 08088
and at additional mailing offices.
79 Tecumseh Trail • Medford Lakes, N.J. 08055

MEDFORD LAKES COLONY
POSTMASTER: Send Address Changes to:
Caitlin Mittle-Editor, Subscription-\$1.00 Per Year
office @mlcolony.org
http://www.medfordlakescolony.org
79 Tecumseh Tr. Medford Lakes, NJ 08055 • (609) 654-7747
Medford Lakes Colony News (USPS - 337000)
Published Weekly by MEDFORD LAKES COLONY