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DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

Daylight Saving Time ends at 2:00 am on Sunday, November 1, 2026. Remember to set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday, October 31st. Devices like smartphones and computers usually adjust automatically, but it is good practice to double-check to ensure you are on the correct time! Please also take the time to change your smoke alarm batteries.

COLONY MEETING

On Monday, November 9, 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. If you need something included on the agenda, please submit it to the Colony Office no later than Mon., Nov. 2nd. Items for the agenda and questions can be directed to office@mlcolony.org.

ML LIONS TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Deadline to submit changes for the next telephone book is Friday, November 13th.

If your listing is incorrect or needs to be added to the Medford Lakes Lions Club Telephone Directory, please send an email to office@mlcolony.org. Be sure to include your name as you want it to be printed, telephone number, and address. Questions – please call 609-654-7747.

Thank you, Medford Lakes Lions Club, for supplying us with this beautiful directory!

DOCK & BULKHEAD PERMIT REMINDERS

If you do any work to your dock or/and bulkhead, it is necessary to complete an application/permit with the Medford Lakes Colony. There is a $25 application fee. The applications can be found on our website: https://www.medfordlakes-colony.org/forms.

Please email questions or concerns to office@mlcolony.org.

PLEASE REMOVE YOUR WATERCRAFT BY NOVEMBER 1ST

We hope you all enjoyed another spectacular season canoeing in our wonderful lakes. In order to facilitate off season repairs of the beaches and canoe racks, any canoes or watercraft stored at the beaches/Colony property/canoe racks, must be removed on or before Sunday, November 1st.

Please plan accordingly. We truly appreciate your cooperation in our efforts to maintain our beaches and canoe racks. Spring 2027 will be here before we know it!

TURKEY TROT REGISTRATION SELLING OUT FAST!

Loyal Turkey Trotters – the 2026 Turkey Trot is selling out fast!

Visit: https://runsignup.com/Race/NJ/MedfordLakes/MedfordLakesColony-TurkeyTrot5K

Please do not miss this opportunity to join us on Thanksgiving morning!

LAST CURBSIDE BULK TRASH PICKUP FOR THE YEAR

The last large trash curbside pickup for the year is scheduled for Monday, November 2, 2026.

If you want a pickup at your curbside on Nov. 2nd, please call 609-654-9383 between Oct. 26th and Oct. 30th and leave a message. All calls must be received by 4:30 pm on Friday, Oct. 30th – calls received after 4:30 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.

DPW does not pick up concrete, asphalt, bricks, stones, construction debris, carpet, electronic equipment, and e-bike batteries. Any wood placed curbside must be no longer than 4ft and cannot be pressure treated.

All mattress, boxspring, or tire payments must be paid by 4:30 pm on Friday, Oct. 30th at the Borough Office (1 Cabin Circle).

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

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NO SATURDAY LARGE TRASH DROP OFF OCTOBER 31ST

There will be no Saturday large trash drop off behind the firehouse on October 31st.

MLWC HALLOWEEN COSTUME SWAP

The Medford Lakes Women's Club is hosting a Halloween costume swap.
Have a costume? Drop it off! Need a costume? Pick one out!
Costume swap bins will be available in Demby Annex from October 1st – 31st.
Costumes must be complete, clean, and in good condition.



MLWC HOLIDAY HOUSE TOUR
SAVE THE DATE – SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12TH

We are looking for homeowners who would be willing to showcase their beautifully decorated homes for our upcoming Holiday House Tour! If you love decorating for the holidays and would like to share your home with the community, we would love to hear from you. Please send us a message for more information @ mlwcholiday@gmail.com.

OTR GINGERBREAD HOUSE CONTEST

SAVE THE DATE – Sunday, December 13th from 1-4:30 pm @ Vaughan Hall
Medford Lakes Gingerbread House Contest Sponsored by OTR Float Group.
Get your team of up to 4 together! Open to all ages.
We supply the gingerbread house kit, base and royal icing. You supply your candy, decorations/décor tools. Only $35 per team. Scan the QR code for more information, rules and to register. Registration is open until November 29th. Please hurry, builders are capped at 30 teams. Email lakerallie@yahoo.com with questions.

FREE ART CLASSES FOR VETERANS

Retired Art Teacher, Toni Frary, gives free art classes to retired veterans who may be interested to say thank you for your service. All art supplies are provided so they can experience high-quality art making with appropriate materials. The educational philosophy for this class is that all students can learn and there is a healing component to art making. At the present time, there are vets from every branch of service, male and female and ages 30-90. The class meets the second Friday of the month from 9-12 pm in the Todd Building of the Protestant Community Church. Their art will be featured at The Gallery, 5 Trading Post Way, starting Sat., November 14th from 10 am – 1 pm. For more information, please contact Toni at tonifrary7@gmail.com.

VETERANS' ART SHOW

Please join us Saturday, 11/14 from 10am - 1pm for the Opening Reception in The Gallery at 5 Trading Post Way. The show features original work by several talented veterans in our area. If you can't come and meet the artists on the 14th, you are welcome to visit the gallery Saturday, 11/21, 11/28, 12/5, 12/19, and 1/2 from 10am-2pm. Thank you for the support!

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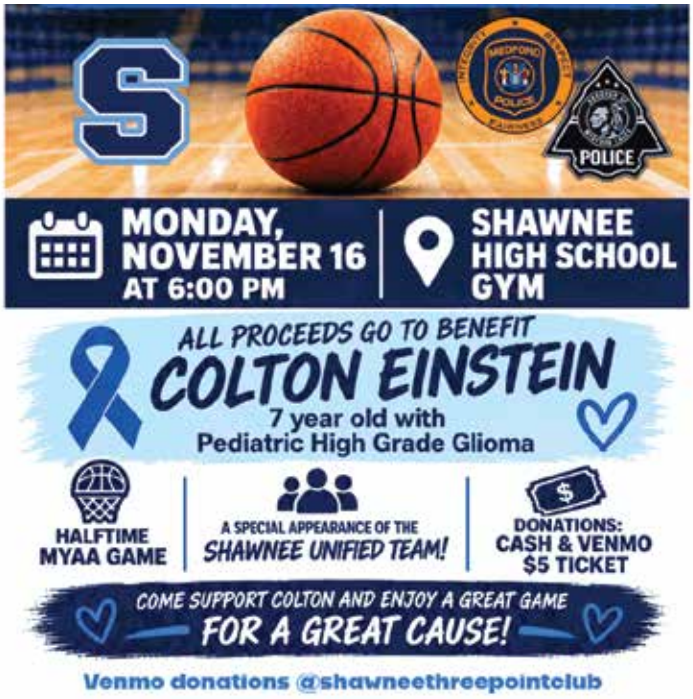
MEDFORD LAKES MEN'S CLUB

We have had great participation these last six months and so the Men's Club continues! If you're interested in joining us for some non-political, non-religious discussion about the things we all face in the world, our community and our lives, or you just want to meet some neighbors and shoot the breeze, please join us for our next meeting at the ML Lions Clubhouse on Friday, October 30th at 7:00 pm. Please bring a canned good for the Lion's food pantry.

TURKEY RAFFLE SEASON!

It is time again for the annual Medford Lakes Lions Turkey Raffle! Raffle tickets are only $2.00 each and can be purchased from any Lions member, at the Colony Office, or by contacting the Lions at info@medfordlakeslions.org. Tickets can also be purchased ONLINE on the Lions website (minimum $20 purchase) (https://medfordlakeslions.org/turkeyraffle/). If you want individual tickets or have questions, please call 609-654-2300.

The Lions will raffle off 20 turkeys from Murphy's Market (approx. value $40.00) on November 18th at 8:00 pm at the Lions Lodge at 113 Apache Trail in Medford Lakes. All raffle monies benefit the Lions Christmas Charities. Buy a Turkey Raffle ticket today and help support the Lions and its December Holiday distribution of new toys, new shoes, food, and a complete Holiday meal!



A GOOD READ

Looking for a good read? Gene Millers's book, Short Stories For Middle School Boys Only, Because Girls Have Cooties, is just the thing. One of the stories takes place at our own Camp Ockanickon. Gene Miller, the author, will visit Medford Lakes on Wednesday, November 18, at 7:00 pm in Demby Annex. All are welcome. Mr. Miller's book is on sale at Binkley's or on Amazon.

SINCERE SYMPATHY

Our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Elizabeth P. Shevlin, "Betsy," (nee Hoad), age 80 of Medford Lakes, NJ, who passed peacefully on October 19, 2026.

Betsy was born in 1946 to Mary E. (nee Sanford) and Paul M. Hoad. Betsy grew up in Riverton and was a graduate of Palmyra High School. Following high school, she worked for Bell Telephone before starting her family. Betsy married Frank V. Shevlin, Jr. and they settled in Pennsauken for a few years where they began their family. They moved to Medford Lakes to raise their children and remained residents there for over 40 years.

Betsy was very involved in the Medford Lakes community, especially as her children were growing up. She served as a Field Hockey Coach, Brownie & Girl Scout Leader and was very active with the PTA. Betsy spent many years as a Pre-School Teacher at the Day Bear Care nursery school and she served many summers as a Swim Instructor at Colony Camp.

She was a 40+ year parishioner of St. Mary of the Lakes Parish, Medford, NJ and a CCD Volunteer there for many years. Above all else, Betsy's focus was on her family, especially her children, grandchildren and her husband. She loved having a beautiful home where she enjoyed gardening, baking and hosting family meals and get togethers. Betsy also enjoyed sewing and proudly made her grandchildren's costumes each year for Halloween. Her greatest joy was being "Grammy" to her beloved grandchildren, Emily and Derek.

Betsy was predeceased by her beloved husband of 52 years, Frank V. Shevlin, Jr. and is survived by her loving children, Samantha Andryca and her husband Scott, and Christoper Shevlin, along with her dear grandchildren, Emily Andryca and Derek Andryca. Also surviving are her siblings, Carolyn Mortgu-Furrer (Jerry), Steve Hoad (the late Helen) and George Hoad (Susan), her brothers-in-law, Johnny Shevlin and Bob Shevlin, and her dear friend Barbara Posch. Betsy is also survived by her nieces, nephew and their families.

A Memorial Mass for Betsy will be held at a future date at St. Mary of the Lakes, Medford, NJ.

In lieu of flowers or other expressions of sympathy, donations in her memory would be preferred to support the Animal Welfare Association, 509 Centennial Blvd., Voorhees, NJ 08043 (www.awanj.org) or the Voorhees Animal Orphanage, 419 Cooper Rd., Voorhees, NJ 08043 (www.aonj.org).

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with her family at www.weberfuneralhomeinc.com.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, October 31st – Happy Halloween!

Monday, November 2nd – Curbside Bulk Trash Collection – see article for more information

Tuesday, November 3rd – Recycle Collection

Thursday, November 5th – Historic Commission Meeting, 7:30 pm, Oaks Hall

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