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CANOES NEED TO GO HOME FINAL CALL BEFORE IMPOUNDMENT

The canoe racks should have been cleared of all items by November 1st per the lottery agreement. If you still have items on the canoe racks or Colony property, please take them home by December 4th. **Any watercraft left on the racks after December 4th will be removed and impounded at Medford Lakes Public Works.** You will need to make arrangements with Public Works to pick them up there. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this policy, please email office@mlcolony.org or call 609-654-7747.

COLONY CENTENNIAL MERCHANDISE ON SALE NOW!

A variety of special one-of-a-kind Colony Centennial Merchandise is on sale now at the Colony Office and at Binkley's on Stokes Road. The merchandise helps Colony members celebrate 100 years (1927-2027) of the Colony's history and traditions!

We currently have sweatshirts, hoodies, decals, car magnets, and playing cards – ***and more is coming soon!***

Remember to SAVE THE DATE for the Colony's Centennial Celebration on Saturday, July 10, 2027!



COLONY MEETING

On Monday, December 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. If you need something included on the agenda, please submit it to the Colony Office no later than Mon., Dec. 7th. Items for the agenda and questions can be directed to office@mlcolony.org.

YOUR AGE

Members who turn age 65 in 2027: Please email your name, address, and birthdate to office@mlcolony.org. Colony fees will be adjusted to the over age 65 category. Questions can be directed to the same email address or by calling 609-654-7747.

SEEKING CANOE CARNIVAL TEE SHIRTS

The Medford Lakes Colony Centennial Committee seeks Canoe Carnival T-Shirts from years 1999 and earlier. Particularly valuable would be shirts (1970's and early 80's) done by the Jaycees. Shirts can be dropped off at the Colony Office in Demby Annex. Thank you!

NO SATURDAY LARGE TRASH DROP OFF

There will be no Saturday large trash drop off behind the firehouse on November 28th.

ATTENTION MEDFORD LAKES RESIDENTS

As of January 1, 2027, Medford Lakes will no longer provide dog waste bags at receptacle stations.

Due to cost and maintenance upkeep, waste bags can no longer be provided.

Residents will be responsible for cleaning and disposing of their dog's waste in the receptacle stations.

We also ask that residents do not dispose of waste in random resident trash cans unless there is a "Dispose of Bagged Dog Waste Here" sticker on the front of the can.

Questions should be directed to the Borough Office at 609-654-8898.

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MEDFORD LAKES MEN'S CLUB

We've had great participation these last seven 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, November 27th at 7:00 pm. Please bring a canned good for the Lion's food pantry.

GET THE HOLIDAY SEASON STARTED RIGHT! GIVE BLOOD!

The Protestant Community Church and Medford Lakes Lions sponsor the American Red Cross Blood Drive, from noon to 5:00 PM, on Friday December 4th in first floor of the church's Todd Building. Parking is in the Memorial Hall lot and you have a short walk across Mohawk Trail to the Todd building. Make your appointment with your Red Cross mobile app or on www.redcrossblood.org. First time donors are welcome!

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December 4th 7PM
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Visit www.toysfortots.org or follow them on Facebook at www.facebook.com/toysfortots



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.

LIONS LIGHT UP YOUR HOLIDAY SEASON

Join the Lions in the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony on Saturday, December 5th at 6:30 PM. Festivities begin at 1 Cabin Circle in the meeting room, with a reading of The Night Before Christmas. We then move outside to light the tree on Ballinger and await a special visitor. Good girls and boys can anticipate a visit from the Jolly Old Elf himself. Refreshments will be served. Best Wishes to all from the Medford Lakes Lions.

MEDFORD LAKES LIONS CLUB FOOD PANTRY

The Medford Lakes Lions Club operates the Walter Cavanaugh Food Bank for our surrounding community. The Lions provide canned goods, household needs, and personal care items to needy families in the greater Medford area (including Medford Lakes, Medford, Shamong, Tabernacle, and Vincentown).

The Food Bank is open on the third Saturday of every month from 9:00 am to 11:00 am, and it is located at 113 Apache Trail in Medford Lakes. Items can be donated at any time in the drop box outside of the garage. Current needs include the following items: spaghetti (1 lb boxes), canned pasta (Spaghetti Os, Beefaroni, etc.), mac and cheese, rice, cereal, apple juice, apple sauce (24 oz jars), peanut butter & jelly, and laundry detergent (https://medfordlakeslions.org/foodbank).

In addition to their monthly program, the Lions Christmas Charities partners with the Scouting for Food Drive to give a complete holiday dinner, as well as toys and a new pair of shoes for every child under 16, to families in our area.

If you are interested in making a positive impact in our community or have any questions, please contact the Medford Lakes Lions Club at info@medfordlakeslions.org.

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Tuesday, December 1st – Recycle Collection
Thursday, December 3rd – Historic Commission Meeting, 7:30 pm, Oaks Hall

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