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# MEDFORD LAKES COLONY NEWS



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## CANOE LOTTERY RESULTS

To view the results of the 2025 Canoe Rack Lottery, please visit [medfordlakescolony.org](http://medfordlakescolony.org).

Over the years, many spots remain open and unused by winners, much to the chagrin of others. So please, if you won a rack space, place your watercraft as soon as possible. If you do NOT plan to use your rack space, please inform the Colony Office – the spot will be re-raffled.

## COLONY MEETING

On Monday, May 12, 2025, the Board of Directors of the Medford Lakes Colony will be meeting at 7:30 pm in Demby Annex. All members in good standing are encouraged to attend.

## 2025 DUES – BALANCE DUE BY MAY 31ST

For 2025, members have the opportunity to pay their fee in two installments: \$400 by January 31st and the balance by May 31st. Interest will be charged at a rate of 1% per month on unpaid balances starting June 1st. If you still need to pay your balance, please remit payment to the Colony Office or pay online at <https://www.medfordlakescolony.org/paycolonydues>. However, there is a fee to process your payment online. Questions can be sent to [office@mlcolony.org](mailto:office@mlcolony.org).

## COLONY OFFICE EVENING HOURS MAY 14TH & MAY 21ST

Evening hours will be offered on Wednesday, May 14th and Wednesday, May 21st. The Colony Office will be open from 8:30 am to 7:30 pm on those dates to pay your dues, pick up your membership tags, or purchase Canoe Carnival merchandise.

## TIPSY CANOERS – THANK YOU!

Thank you, Tipsy Canoers Float Group, for your generous donation of \$500.00 to the Colony from the annual Medford Lakes Triathlon. The Colony is grateful for your continued support.

## CANOE CARNIVAL APPAREL FOR SALE

Apparel for the 2025 Canoe Carnival is now on sale at the Colony Office and Binkley's 5 & 10. There is something for everyone! Net proceeds from sales are used to offset the cost of security and other necessary expenses to run Canoe Carnival.

## IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING

We have been experiencing an increase in vandalism, in particular, defacement of Colony property. We are asking that all Colonists be aware. Please report suspicious activity to the police, but do not engage with the culprits. Vandalism to Colony property will not be tolerated and violators will be prosecuted. To get in contact with the ML Police, please call the Non-Emergency Dispatch at 609-267-8300. Emergencies should call 9-1-1.

## DONATIONS NEEDED FOR CAMP SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Can you please donate to the Medford Lakes Colony Camp Scholarship Fund?

No amount is too small to give. So far there have been many applications to the Camp Scholarship Program, and we expect more children to register for Camp asking for a scholarship. If you can give to this fund, please make checks payable to the "Medford Lakes Colony," and drop it off at the Colony Office. Camp is a wonderful opportunity for our youth to enjoy summer in Medford Lakes! Thank you very much for your consideration!

## COLONY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Questions regarding these open position(s) can be directed to [camp@mlcolony.org](mailto:camp@mlcolony.org).

To apply, please visit: [medfordlakescolony.org/employmentapplication](http://medfordlakescolony.org/employmentapplication)

- Five-Year-Old Swim Program Instructor

If we do not fill the instructor position for the Five-Year-Old Swim program by June 16th, a decision will be made to determine whether the program will operate this summer.

## ML CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

The Medford Lakes Cancer Support Group will have their next gathering at noon on Tuesday, May 13th at Ott's Tavern. All Medford Lakes residents with cancer (either active or in remission) are welcome on the second Tuesday of the month.

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## MEDFORD LAKES NATIVE GRADUATES FROM THE U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY

ANNAPOLIS, Md. – Abigail A. Lutz of Medford Lakes, N.J. successfully completed four years of challenging academic, physical, and professional military training, graduating from the United States Naval Academy with a Bachelor of Science degree in Data Science and a commission as a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Marines. Lutz is a graduate of Paul VI High School in Haddonfield, N.J. At the academy, Lutz was a member of 3rd Company and the Navy Track & Field Team. She served as the Brigade Conduct & Aptitude Officer guiding fellow Midshipmen through the conduct system training both Company and Battalion staff on how to navigate conduct cases at their respective levels. Her interest in this billet was born from her willingness to serve others and lead on a large scale, which was fostered by her parents from an early age. Lutz has strongly valued her experiences over this past 4 years especially during Summer trainings, having visited Norway and Greece and completing Leatherneck at Quantico. Founded in 1845, the U.S. Naval Academy today is a prestigious four-year service academy that prepares midshipmen morally, mentally and physically to be professional officers in the naval service. More than 4,400 men and women representing every state in the U.S. and several foreign countries make up the student body, known as the Brigade of Midshipmen. U.S. News and World Reports has recognized the Naval Academy as the 2024 #1 public school and #3 best liberal arts college. Midshipmen learn from military and civilian instructors and participate in intercollegiate varsity sports and extracurricular activities. They also study subjects such as leadership, ethics, small arms, drill, seamanship and navigation, tactics, naval engineering and weapons, and military law. Upon graduation, midshipmen earn a Bachelor of Science degree in a choice of 26 different subject majors and go on to serve at least five years of exciting and rewarding service as commissioned officers in the U.S. Navy or U.S. Marine Corps. The Brigade of Midshipmen is comprised of approximately 4,400 students from every state in the union. Each year, about 1,200 students are admitted to the Naval Academy's incoming class. The academy's alumni include, one president, 31 members of Congress, five governors, 73 Medal of Honor recipients, two Nobel Prize winners, 55 astronauts, 55 Rhodes Scholars, and over 4,000 admirals and generals. USNA

## TENNIS & PICKLEBALL COURTS

The Colony is in charge of the pickleball and tennis courts. We are instituting a new procedure to restrict the courts to Colonists in good standing and their authorized guests. This will be to all Colonist's benefit and we all have a part to play to help make our courts safe.

Any Colonist in good standing can sign up for access by visiting the Colony Office to sign the consent/waiver for yourself, your child and/or guest. You will then receive the code via email. For this system to be effective, it is imperative that you keep it confidential. Current year Colony Tags are to be worn at all times by the Colonist and guest. The entrance gate is to be locked behind you once you enter the court area. Do not unlock the gate for anyone who does not know the code unless it is your guest, and if they refuse or cannot, simply explain the rules to them and ask them to leave the courts. Do NOT escalate on your own. If anyone becomes confrontational, I have been assured by the ML Police that they will respond when called. To get in contact with the ML Police, please call the Non-Emergency Dispatch at 609-267-8300.

The goal is to provide a great Pickleball/Tennis experience for our community.

- Ken Nelson - VP Recreation

## MEDFORD LAKES EDUCATION FOUNDATION AND NEETA THEATER PRESENT: "ALADDIN JR."

We invite all Lakers to hop a carpet and fly to Neeta School Theater to see the classic story "Aladdin JR" on stage. This musical version has expanded characters, new songs, and more thrills that will open up "a whole new world" for you and your family! The cast and crew features 36 talented Laker children from 3rd through 8th grade. The show will be performed at Neeta School on May 2, 3, 8, 9, 10 at 7 PM. There is also a 2 PM matinee on May 3rd. For best seating, reserve tickets ahead at [www.neetatheater.org](http://www.neetatheater.org) Any remaining tickets will be available at the door (\$10 Adults \$8 Students/Senior Citizens).

## PCC MAY FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

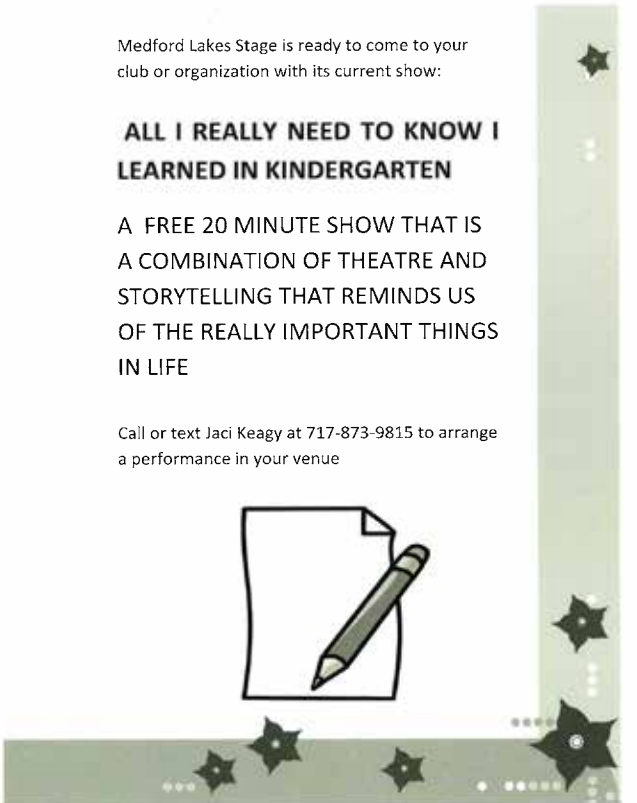
The Protestant Community Church of Medford Lakes will hold its May Fellowship Breakfast at 8:30 a.m., Saturday, May 17, in its Todd Hall. Members Manny and Linda Estacio will talk about their "streaming" communications program and how volunteers can help. Residents of Medford Lakes are welcome. Breakfast will be served.

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## RE: MLGC SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT 2025

The Medford Lakes Garden Club is pleased to announce this year's scholarship recipient: Shawnee Senior RACHEL HOJNAKI

Inspired by her interests in earth and medical sciences and her concern for our environment, Rachel will major in Biomedical Engineering or Environmental Engineering at Rowen University this coming fall.

Congratulations Rachel!

## MEDFORD LAKES GARDEN CLUB

The next Medford Lakes Garden Club General Meeting and Luncheon is Wednesday, May 21, 2025, 11:30AM until 3PM in Vaughan Hall. We will be helped as we Make Terrariums.

## MLC MEMORIAL DAY 5K RUN

**DATE:** Monday, May 26, 2025

**TIME:** 8:00 AM Race Start

**Race Day Bib Pick Up:** 7:00 AM - 7:45 AM

**LOCATION:** 79 Tecumseh Trail Medford Lakes, NJ 08055

**COURSE:** Flat and fast Chip Timed 5K through and along the shaded trails and lakes of historic Medford Lakes on a USATF certified course. 1 & 2 Mile markers. We will have bottled water and light refreshments at the finish. Please note that in order to space runners out at the start of the race, age group awards will be based on Chip time and not gun time.

**Registration:** \$15 There will be NO Race Day Registration  
Veterans, Active Duty/Reserve Military \$10

### AWARDS:

Overall Male & Female

First Male & Female Veteran/ Active/Reserve Military

Age Groups male and female, 3 deep 10 & Under, 11-14, 15-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, 70+

**AMENITIES:** Light refreshments and water

**SOCIAL MEDIA:** Like us on Facebook for the latest Race Information <https://www.facebook.com/MedfordLakesMemorialDayRun>

ALL Race proceeds benefit Handicap Accessibility

Operation Yellow Ribbon, the organization we have collected for in the past, is winding down its "morale boosting care package business" operations and will no longer be accepting care package donations by the time we hold our race. Thank you for your support of this organization over the past years. Since 2012, Operation Yellow Ribbon has shipped almost 700,000 lbs of goodies and hygiene items that we take for granted here at home to countries in the Middle East where these items are not easy to access. All of your donations in years past have contributed to that number.

**To register, please visit:**

<https://runsignup.com/Race/NJ/MedfordLakes/MedfordLakesColonnyMemorialDay5KRun>

## FREE ART CLASSES FOR VETERANS

Retired ML art teacher, Toni Frary gives art classes to any retired veterans who may be interested. The art class was started in 2018 as a way to provide free art classes to veterans to say thank you for their service. All art supplies are provided to the vets 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. The class meets the second Friday of the month from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm in the Todd building of the Protestant Community Church. For info, please contact Toni at: [tonifrary7@gmail.com](mailto:tonifrary7@gmail.com)

# CALL TO ARTISTS

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**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Saturday, May 10th - Large Trash Drop Off and Brush & Leaf Drop Off, 7:30 am - 12:30 pm, behind the Firehouse

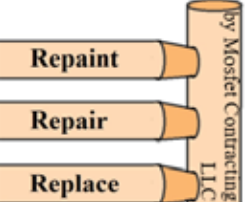
Monday, May 12th - Colony Meeting, 7:30 pm, Demby Annex

Thursday, May 15th - Planning Board Meeting, 7:30 pm, Oaks Hall

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