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IMPORTANT REMINDER

As camp and summer sports registration deadlines approach, please remember that Colony Bylaws require that your dues be paid-in-full by May 31st. If you wish to be considered for Dues Relief, your application must be received by March 31st. Please visit the Colony's website or contact the Colony Office for an application.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The Medford Lakes Colony Board of Directors would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new members: Joseph & Kellie O'Brien of Chickahominy Trail and Robert & Cara Zurzolo of Decotah Trail.

CANOE RACK LOTTERY ENTRY

Are you putting a canoe on the rack? Yes or No

or

Are you putting a kayak on the rack? Yes or No

Do you require a low spot on the rack? Yes or No

Is a middle spot acceptable? Yes or No

Is an upper spot acceptable? Yes or No

Do you agree to have your vessel removed on or before November 1, 2026?

Yes or No

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Please place a #1 next to your top-choice location. You may also use #2 - #5 to indicate your other ranked preferences.

Beach 1 _____ Area 2 _____

Beach 3 _____ Beach 4 _____

Area 5 _____

COLONY MEETING

On Monday, April 13, 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., April 6th. Items for the agenda and questions can be directed to office@mlcolony.org.

GUEST TAGS

Guest tags are on sale in the Colony Office through March 31st:

- Daily guest tags – dated the day you use them - \$2/tag
- Seasonal guest tags – good for the entire year - \$10/tag

On April 1st, daily tags will go up to \$5/tag and seasonal tags will go up to \$20/tag.

Questions – call 609-654-7747 or email office@mlcolony.org

MLGC MEETING & LUNCHEON

Wed., March 18, 2026, 11:30AM – 3:00PM

Vaughan Hall, 79 Tecumseh Trail/Medford Lakes, NJ

Meeting Cost: Free

Join the Medford Lakes Garden Club for its Meeting and Luncheon, as well as its program, "Biochromatics" (life-colors), an innovative holistic color system, from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Mar. 18.

Paul De Luca will share his presentation focusing on discovering which of Nature's 4 Seasons relates to YOU and how to select eye-catching fashions (wardrobe, accessories, jewelry, make-up), ideal furnishings (home/workplace décor) and "green habitats" that compliment your attributes, reflect your personality and energize you! A comprehensive overview of Nature's 4 Color Palettes based upon trees-plants-flowers-animals-minerals reveals how to integrate historic and modern horticultural symbolic motifs into your life - 24 / 7 / 365! Garden pros and novices are taught clever thrifty ways to create stunning floral presentations and infuse exterior landscapes/interior decorating with personal style, flair and authenticity.



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HELP WANTED

The Colony is in need of an “Extended Hours” Camp Director, Upper Camp Archery Instructor, and 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>

 If we do not fill the Camp Director position for the “Extended Hours” program by April 15th, the program will not be operating this summer.

CAMP SCHOLARSHIP

To be considered for relief, your application must be received by April 30th. Camp Scholarships are available for families that need relief from camp fees. An application can be found on medfordlakescolony.org/summercamp or in the Colony Office.

If you can donate to this fund, please do! Any contribution is greatly appreciated!

WOOD FLOWER WATERING CAN WORKSHOP

Thurs., March 19th at 6:30 pm

The Medford Lakes Lions are hosting a night out on Thursday, March 19th at our Lodge. Come and join in on the fun creating a beautiful and everlasting Wood Flower Watering Can arrangement led by Dana Cortright of Cascade Queen Designs. Dana will provide all supplies for this project, and the wood flower are available in a variety of colors.

GRAB A FRIEND AND JOIN THE FUN! This is a BYOB event, and some light refreshments will be provided. Use this link or QR code to sign up online. The cost is \$40 per person.

<https://medfordlakeslions.org/flowerarrangement>



MEDFORD LAKES WOMEN'S CLUB PRESENTS...

BREAKFAST WITH THE BUNNY

Saturday, April 4 at
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 each seating has a 75-person capacity

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EASTER EGG HUNTS

SATURDAY, APRIL 4TH

Happy Easter

9:00AM - RUBBER DUCK HUNT AGES 1-2 @ BROOKS FIELD
 9:15AM - AGES 3-4 @ BROOKS FIELDS BASKETBALL COURT
 9:45AM - AGE 5/GRADES K & 1ST @ BEACH 1
 10:00AM - GRADES 2ND, 3RD, & 4TH @ JACKSON PARK

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The Medford Lakes Lions are the sponsors for the American Red Cross Blood Drive to be held on Friday, March 27th at Vaughan Community House. Appointments are from 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm and can be made on the www.redcrossblood.org website. First time donors are welcome. Questions? Call 609-605-1399.

LIONS CLUB PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST

The Lions Club of Medford Lakes Annual Palm Sunday Breakfast will be on Sunday, March 29th from 8:00 – 11:30 am at Vaughan Community House at 79 Tecumseh Trail. This breakfast, served by local Lions, features 2 slices of bacon, 3 pancakes, scrambled eggs, and Lion Ed's famous home fries for \$10. We will offer "eat-in" or "take-out" options again this year. Tickets must be ordered in advance by 5:00 pm on Thursday, March 26th. For additional information and to order your tickets, please visit our website: medfordlakeslions.org/palm-sunday



**MEDFORD LAKES EDUCATION FOUNDATION
SCHOLARSHIP AWARD 2025**

The MLEF is pleased to award a \$1,000 scholarship to a graduating high school senior who lives in Medford Lakes. In order to be considered for this award, the student must have graduated from 8th grade at Neeta School. Interested students need to submit an essay that discusses how their education in Medford Lakes helped them achieve success in high school. Essays must be a minimum of 250 words for consideration. Essays should be submitted to MLEF.edu@gmail.com; deadline for submission is April 1, 2026.

SINCERE SYMPATHY

Our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Timothy D. Vibbert of Medford Lakes, NJ, who peacefully went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday, March 4, 2026. Born in Clinton, KY, he is the son of the late Carson Vibbert and Linda (nee Stephenson) Vibbert and has resided in Medford Lakes, NJ for the past 22 years, moving here from Knoxville, TN.

Tim is a Chief Devsecops Integration Architect for Leidos in San Antonio, TX for the past 10 years. He was previously with Lockheed Martin and is the Founder and CEO of Tiospay Ministries. He is a member of the Grace Alliance Chapel in Westampton, NJ.

He is the Beloved Husband of Kristi Vibbert (nee VanLuvanee) of Medford Lakes, NJ, the loving Father of his two children, Jacob and Helena and the brother of Mark Vibbert (Alexandria) of Louisville, KY, Carla Vibbert and Amber Gossett (Jerry) both of Union City, KY and numerous nieces and nephews. In lieu of other expressions of sympathy the family requests memorial donations for his daughter's education to the Timothy Vibbert Memorial Fund, PO Box 1542, Medford, New Jersey 08055.

MARKETA'S JOURNEY

Please join our Fifth Annual Memorial Walk celebrating nature in honor of Marketa McCabe and her passion for protecting the environment.

All proceeds will be donated to the Marketa's Journey Inc. 501(c)(3) Non-profit Organization Scholarship Fund supporting young women studying engineering & environmental sciences.

Date: Saturday, April 18, 2026

Rain or Shine

Time: Staggered start any time between 10am - 12pm

Please finish your journey by 1 pm

Place: Camp Ockanickon - YMCA of the Pines

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Register online: <https://www.raceentry.com/races/marketas-journey/2026/register>

Enjoy music, great food trucks, fishing, art, Girl Scout activities with official patches, and fun activities for all ages. Indoor seating is available in a beautiful lodge.

Following in Marketa's footsteps, this will be an environmentally friendly event. Please be mindful of what you bring, pack everything with you, and stay on the designated trails to avoid damaging natural habitats. The trails are approximately 0.5 to 5 miles long, and walking is optional.

NEW for 2026: Marketa's Celebration and Walk Scholarship

A \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded the Marketa's Journey Memorial Walk to support women entering engineering/environmental field. Apply by 3/15/2026. The application can be found at <https://forms.gle/WRVJRJWsgRQFt9bd6>.

Application criteria:

- Identify as a woman
- Graduating high school senior
- Pursuing engineering/environmental studies in college

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, March 14th - Large Trash Drop-off and Brush & Leaf Drop-off, 7:30 am - 12:30 pm, behind the Firehouse - L.D. must be shown for large trash drop-off

Sunday, March 15th - 3rd Quarter Sewer Payment Due, call 609-654-8898 with questions

Thursday, March 19th - Planning Board Meeting, 7:30 pm, Oaks Hall

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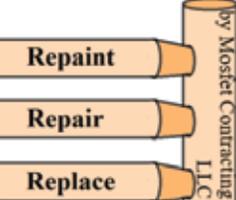
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