



Township of Maple Shade

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Mayor Nelson Wiest • Deputy Mayor Sandy Nunes
Councilman Charles Kauffman • Councilman Steve Schmidt • Councilwoman Claire Volpe

Township of Maple Shade News

February 2021

Township of Maple Shade News is generally published monthly to provide residents with pertinent information and reminders related to Maple Shade and the surrounding area. The Township views this as another important means of keeping residents informed about our community.

1. Volcano Steak & Sushi Restaurant Coming to Maple Shade

The former Charlie Brown's Restaurant on Main Street was demolished in December 2020. Volcano Steak & Sushi will begin construction at this site. A similar restaurant is also located in Berlin, New Jersey.

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VOLCANO STEAK AND SUSHI RESTAURANT
EAST MAIN STREET, MAPLE SHADE, NJ

010 Hubbard Road, Suite 405
Morristown, NJ 08053
www.dj-arch.com 856.809.2791

2. Town Council

- The Annual Town Council Re-Organization Meeting took place on January 7, 2021. Council incumbents, Nelson Wiest, and Claire Volpe were re-elected for a 4-year term as was new Councilman, Steve Schmidt. Nelson Wiest was sworn in as Mayor and Sandy Nunes as Deputy Mayor.

[Township of Maple Shade Town Council](#)

- Professional Staff for 2021 were appointed along with members for various township boards. More detailed information can be found on the [Town Council Agenda](#) section of the website.

3. 2021 Dog License Information

Residents are reminded all dogs are to be licensed each year. The Dog License Application Form is available [HERE](#). The cost is \$10.00 for neutered/spayed dogs and \$13.00 for non-neutered/non-spayed dogs. Applications are due **April 1, 2021**. **Applications can be dropped off in the drop box outside of the main entrance of the municipal building or mailed to the following address:**

Township of Maple Shade, Tax Collector Office, 200 Stiles Avenue,
Maple Shade, NJ 08052, Attn: Dog License

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**2021
DOG LICENSE RENEWAL
DUE APRIL 1ST, 2021**

IT'S THE LAW!

Applications can be found online at www.mapleshade.com and clicking the Tax Collector under the Departments Tab

**SPAYED/NEUTERED.....\$10.00
NONSPAYED/NEUTERED.....\$13.00**

\$5.00 LATE FEE ASSESSED IF NOT REGISTERED BY APRIL 1ST

Reasons to License Your Animal

- State Law and Town Ordinance requires your dogs to be licensed
- It lets Law Enforcement know your animal is up to date on its rabies vaccine
- It improves your chance of getting your four-legged friend back if they go missing

4. Maple Shade Police Department Warns of COVID-19 Scams

Being a victim of theft can be a dramatic life experience. Your monetary savings represent your ability to provide for you and your families sustenance and well-being. And in the heat of the moment, a scammer can trick you into giving it all to them.

Financial scam crimes are committed sometimes in person but often times via telephone and computer. The scammer will use technology to their advantage, and they can be located anywhere, even in another country. This makes detection, apprehension, and prosecution for these crimes very difficult. Scams are not new; the scammers constantly revise their methods and quickly adapt to new technologies and current world events. This past year has brought them another new potential avenue to try to take your hard-earned money from you, the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Please review these tips below from the Federal Trade Commission and avoid becoming the next victim. Make sure to talk about these tips with all your friends and family and help them avoid becoming the next victim.

AVOID CORONAVIRUS SCAMS

- Learn how to tell the difference between a real contact tracer and a scammer. Legitimate tracers need health information, not money or personal financial information.
- Do not respond to texts, emails, or calls about checks from the government.
- Ignore offers for vaccinations and miracle treatments or cures. Scammers are selling products to treat or prevent COVID-19 without proof that they work.
- Be wary of ads for test kits. Many test kits being advertised have not been approved by the FDA and are not necessarily accurate. Almost all authorized home tests do not provide rapid results and require you to send a test sample to a lab for analysis.
- Hang up on robocalls. Scammers are using illegal robocalls to pitch everything from low-priced health insurance to work-at-home schemes.
- Watch for emails claiming to be from the CDC or WHO. Use sites like covid19.nj.gov/, coronavirus.gov and usa.gov/coronavirus to get the latest information. And do not click on links from sources you do not know.
- Do your homework when it comes to donations. Never donate in cash, by gift card, or by wiring money.

Please call the Maple Shade Police Department at 856-234-8300 if you have been a victim of a scam. For more information on scams go to <https://www.ftc.gov/coronavirus/scams-consumer-advice> and <https://www.fbi.gov/scams-and-safety/common-scams-and-crimes>

(click photos for printable versions)



5. COVID-19 Information

The Township encourages everyone to continue to practice social distancing and remain updated on information regarding COVID-19 as it becomes available.

- **FREE Walk-In COVID-19 Testing in Maple Shade** from February 2nd – 14th, 2021 at the Maple Shade Fire Department. Click [HERE](#) for specific time and additional information.
- Information about COVID-19 Testing in NJ can be accessed [HERE](#)
- Information about the COVID-19 Vaccine can be accessed [HERE](#)

6. Township of Maple Shade Encourages Residents to Utilize “Nixle Communications System”

This system expedites immediate text messages to registered cell phones and email addresses to notify residents and businesses of emergency announcements and community updates. Communication via Nixle assists the Township in notifying residents of important issues, events, etc. **Residents are encouraged to register for the notifications by texting "08052" to the number 888777 from their cell phone.** Residents can also register online at www.nixle.com to receive the notifications via email and/or mobile phone. Please note that regardless of your zip code, you must register under the zip code **08052** to receive Nixle alerts concerning the Township of Maple Shade.

7. Burlington County Recycling Program

Get the latest recycling updates on shredding events, schedule changes due to inclement weather and more with the free **Recycle Coach** smartphone application. The application is available on iTunes and GooglePlay app stores for Burlington County residents. The Township of Maple Shade recycling brochure can be found by clicking [HERE](#).

8. Important Trash Collection Information

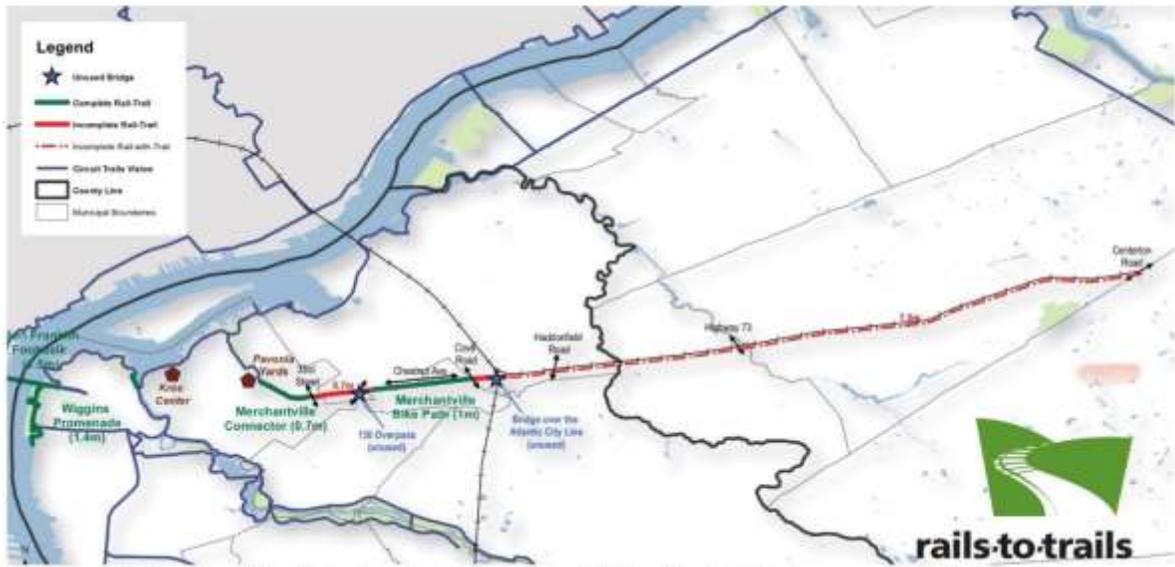
For more information, contact the Public Works Department at (856) 779-9610 ext. 221 or visit <https://www.mapleshade.com/maple-shade-public-works/>. Resident living in apartments or condos should reach out to their management about appropriate trash removal procedures.

- Trash should be placed curbside **no earlier than 6:00PM the day before collection & no later than 6:30AM the day of collection.**
- Trash should be placed in a metal, rubber or plastic watertight container.
- Use of disposable polyethylene or paper bags designed for garbage or rubbish may be used, but bags **MUST** be sealed/closed at the top.
- Any wood/lumber should be tied securely in a bundle **not exceeding 3-feet in length and not weigh more than 40 lbs.** All nails and screws **MUST** be removed!
- Mattresses **MUST** be wrapped in plastic or placed in a plastic mattress bag.
 - Mattress bags are available at local hardware stores, home improvement stores like Home Depot and Lowes, and online at Amazon.
- **NO METAL** of any kind will be collected. Metal **MUST** be removed from any furniture.
- Remove drawers from furniture and place separately at curbside.
- House clean-outs, garage clean-outs or large construction project debris will **NOT** be collected.

9. Rails to Trails

The Burlington-Camden Connector is a vision for a 10-mile continuous multi-use trail with the potential to connect Burlington and Camden Counties to the Camden Waterfront, Benjamin Franklin Bridge, and the system of existing and proposed trails in the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) region known as *The Circuit*. Building on a vision for the trail developed by the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy, the Townships of Pennsauken and Maple Shade applied in December 2019 to the NJDOT Office of Bicycle & Pedestrian Programs for technical planning assistance. The purpose of this study is to evaluate the potential to develop a trail along a portion of the envisioned route, and identify and explore, at a high level, the planning and design issues that would shape future phases of project development. This Existing Conditions Report examines a 2.2-mile portion of the potential trail (the “study area”) in Pennsauken and Maple Shade Townships.

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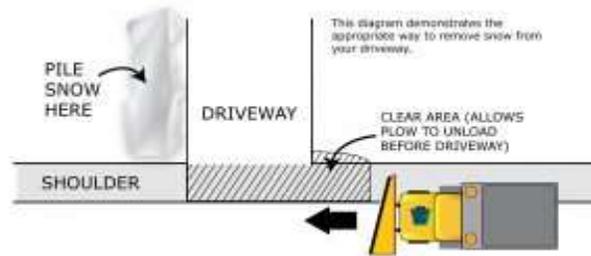
Vision map of the potential Burlington-Camden Connector Trail by the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy, 2017.



10. Tips for Residents to Follow During Winter Weather Advisories and Storms

- Be aware of parking regulations and once snow has begun, **remove all vehicles from roadways** to enable plow trucks to clear the roads. In general, it is helpful to park vehicles in garages and driveways wherever possible and not on the street during a storm to improve street snow clearing.
- **Remove accumulated snow from abutting sidewalks** to assist neighbor and school student safety. When clearing snow, be mindful not to shovel snow into roadways or adjoining properties.
- See the diagram below to demonstrate the appropriate way to remove snow from your driveway. This will minimize the amount of snow, from the snowplow, that impacts your driveway.

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- **Shoveling out neighborhood fire hydrants** is encouraged to allow for quick location and access in event of an emergency. Residents should be aware of fire hydrant locations and street address signs that could become inaccessible due to snow accumulation.
- Unless officially authorized, residents should never assume that **frozen ponds or lakes** are suitable for skating or other recreational activities.
- **For changes in Township schedules**, including municipal office hours, trash collection and other important updates, visit the Township website at <http://www.mapleshade.com>.

11. February Meetings & Events

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| <u>Wednesday, February 10, 2021</u> | Zoning Board Meeting @ 7:00PM |
| <u>Thursday, February 11, 2021</u> | Town Council Meeting @ 7:00PM |
| <u>Wednesday, February 24, 2021</u> | Planning Board Meeting @ 7:00PM |
| <u>Thursday, February 25, 2021</u> | Town Council Meeting @ 7:00PM |

*All Meetings will be held via virtually only via Zoom platform. The Zoom link, Meeting ID #, and Passcode will be accessible on each individual meeting agenda. The agendas can be found on the township's website at www.mapleshade.com.