



# Township of Maple Shade

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## *Township of Maple Shade News* March 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. TAX COLLECTOR – HELPFUL INFORMATION

- **Property Tax Due Dates:**
  - February 1<sup>st</sup>
  - May 1<sup>st</sup>
  - August 1<sup>st</sup>
  - November 1<sup>st</sup>
  
- **Property Tax Relief Information:**

Property tax relief may be available for eligible individuals. To learn about the NJ Division of Taxations' Property Relief Programs, please click [HERE](#).
  
- **Options for Tax & Utility Payments:**
  - Credit Cards & E Checks are only accepted online.
  - **Online Payments:** To review and pay your Taxes & Utility Bills online go to [www.mapleshade.com](http://www.mapleshade.com). Look for the "View & Pay your Taxes & Utilities" in the top, blue bar on the home page.
  - **Bill Pay:** This option is done through your bank. When using this option, please identify the property that the payment is intended for.  
*Example:* Taxes use the Block & Lot and Utilities use the Account Number. Unidentified checks will be mailed back to the address on the check. Please note that "Bill Pay Checks" take at least 7-10 days to reach the Tax Collector's Office.
  - **Checks & Money Orders:** With this option your payment may be mailed or put into the drop box located to the left of the main entrance at the Municipal Building.

### 2. MAPLE SHADE SOCCER PROGRAM

Maple Shade Soccer fall registration open for all Ages 3 through Adult.  
Register online at [www.mapleshadesoccer.net](http://www.mapleshadesoccer.net).



### 3. MAPLE SHADE POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICER HIGHLIGHT

#### SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER, MISTY WEISS



Officer Misty Weiss was hired by Chief Edmund Vernier and joined the Maple Shade Police Department in August 1999. Misty was the first female police officer in the department's history, a fact celebrated by the agency in our local paper at the time called "The Maple Shade Progress. Misty was well-aware of this and had set out early in her career to make her mark on policing in Maple Shade being selected twice by her peers as the Officer of the Year.

While serving in the patrol division, Misty held several roles including DARE Officer, Certified Bike Officer, Field Training Officer, and Shift Commander. Misty spent much of her time mentoring both new officers as well as the children of Maple Shade. Misty always made time for the kids in the township and that dedication was a hallmark of her career. So when the position of School Resource Officer became available, it was clear to police administrators that Misty would be a natural fit.

As the longest serving School Resource Officer in the department's history, Misty's impact in our school district is undeniable. Misty's caring nature, proven track record, and experience level, as well as her commonsense approach, made her a standout SRO in the County of Burlington. Misty is often used as a resource by other agencies providing guidance and insight regularly with regards to juvenile matters. Because she maintains a close working relationship with the personnel of the Family Court, Misty is able to address concerns about particular cases directly with the individuals who will be processing those cases. This is very beneficial to the juveniles and their caretakers as it allows the Juvenile Justice System to build an individualized plan that best fits the juvenile while supporting the guardians of those juveniles.

Misty was also instrumental in working with Chief Chris Fletcher and the Police Chaplains to establish a youth diversionary program in the township, by offering alternative methods to teach our youth the importance of the cause-and-effect relationship of their decisions, all the while keeping them out of the Juvenile Justice System and redirecting them onto a positive path forward. This work was recognized by the Burlington County Prosecutor's Office and Maple Shade became the fourth township in the county to create a Juvenile Municipal Policy Board with Misty as a co-chair. The board was created to proactively address juvenile issues specific to our community in partnership with the Police Department, School District, and the Township alike.

Additionally, Misty also took the lead for our agency in addressing the problem of hunger in the township. Her resourcefulness, dedication, and determination were on full display during the pandemic as she made certain that no family, she learned of with a food insecurity issue, went without food and her efforts continue to this day. Her partnership with the Maple Shade Food Bank, the School District, and PBA Local #267 is well known and appreciated by everyone at the police department.

Misty will soon celebrate 22 years as a Maple Shade Police Officer and still loves coming to work every day. She was born and raised in Maple Shade and has very, strong ties to the community. When Misty is not fulfilling her role as a law enforcement officer, she enjoys spending time with her husband Brian and their three children. Misty is a devoted mother and wife, a fitness and cooking enthusiast, and loves to travel when time allows.

#### 4. GIRL SCOUTS INFORMATION

Click on the links below to obtain more information on the local Girl Scouts & Daisy Programs

- [Girl Scouts March Events Flyer](#)
- [Daisy Pre-K March Event Flyer](#)



#### 5. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - Collection of Brush & Branches CURBSIDE PICK-UP INSTRUCTIONS:

- Option #1 -
  - **All branches:**  
Must be cut in 4 ft. lengths
  - **All branches / brush that are LESS than 2 inches in diameter:**  
Must be cut in 4 Ft. lengths, tied, and bundled and not weigh more than 40 lbs.

#### DROP-OFF TO PUBLIC WORKS COMPLEX

- Option #2 -
  - Residents also have the option to drop off their branches/brush at our Public Works Complex during our normal hours of operation  
Public Works Facility is located at 620 Cutler Avenue  
Monday - Friday: 7:00AM - 3:00PM  
Saturday: 9:00AM - 1:00PM

#### 6. REGISTER FOR IMPORTANT "NIXLE MESSAGE"

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](http://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. **2021 BURLINGTON COUNTY RECYCLING FLYER**

Click [HERE](#) to access Burlington County's 2021 Spring Recycling Flyer

**SPRING 2021 RECYCLING UPDATE**  
Find Where to Recycle TVs, Batteries & More!  
Download the FREE app today!

**PLASTIC PACKAGING RECYCLING: YES? NO? MAYBE?**  
Recycling labels on plastic packaging can confuse and even mislead the best recyclers. Despite what a label may say, **NEVER PUT PLASTIC PACKAGING IN YOUR RECYCLING BIN!**

**AMAZON MAILER**  
Remove paper label and take to store dropoff!

**AIR PILLOWS**  
Deflate and take to store dropoff!

**STYROFOAM**  
No recycling program available; place in trash.

**RENEW LINERS**  
FALSELY claims you can recycle it at the carts. This is NOT TRUE! No curbside or store dropoff programs accept it. It will recycle it, place in trash.

**SPRING 2021 PAPER SHREDDING EVENTS**  
MARCH 21 | APRIL 18 | MAY 16  
Events are on SUNDAYS from 9 AM until 1 PM | Rain or Shine  
Burlington County Resource Recovery Complex (Landfill)  
22008 Burlington-Columbus Road in Florence, NJ 08018 (on exit 129)  
\*EVENTS MAY END PRIOR TO TIME IF SHREDDING TRUCKS REACH CAPACITY.

**RECYCLING CARTS WITH PLASTIC BAGS WILL NOT BE COLLECTED**

**RECYCLE:**  
Paper and Cardboard  
**EMPTY, FLATTEN AND FOLD**

**DO NOT RECYCLE:**  
NO hoses or hangers  
NO hardback books, food soiled, or frozen food boxes  
NO foil items, bulbs, cookware, or window glass  
NO motor oil, batteries, or hazardous items  
NO plastic with a [recycling symbol] or [recycling symbol]  
NO Styrofoam  
NO plastic bags, wrap, envelopes, or shipping packaging  
NO plant pots, trays, lids, or cups  
NO shredded paper

**NEVER** put syringes in recycling!  
Learn how to dispose of them at [burlicorecycles.com](http://burlicorecycles.com) or email [recycle@bc.burlington.nj.us](mailto:recycle@bc.burlington.nj.us)

**SET RECYCLING OUT BY 6 AM**  
Metal bin must face the street

Learn more at [burlicorecycles.com](http://burlicorecycles.com) or call (609) 499-1001 ext. 271 or 266

8. **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

(click photo for printable version)

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

**IT'S THE LAW!**

Applications can be found online at [www.mapleshade.com](http://www.mapleshade.com) and clicking the Tax Collector under the Departments Tab

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

SPAYED/NEUTERED.....\$70.00  
NONSPAYED/NEUTERED.....\$13.00

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

9. **March Meetings & Events**

<u>Wednesday, March 10, 2021</u>	Zoning Board Meeting @ 7:00PM
<u>Thursday, March 11, 2021</u>	Town Council Meeting @ 7:00PM
<u>Wednesday, March 24, 2021</u>	Planning Board Meeting @ 7:00PM
<u>Thursday, March 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](http://www.mapleshade.com).

10. **SAVE THE DATE**



**ANNUAL SPRING CURBSIDE BRUSH/BRANCH COLLECTION**

MARCH 29<sup>TH</sup> to APRIL 9<sup>TH</sup>

Residents may place brush, branches and leaves (loose or bagged) curbside for collection by our Public Works Department

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**COMMUNITY WIDE YARD SALE**

SATURDAY APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup> - 8am to 1pm

Additional information available at [www.mapleshade.com](http://www.mapleshade.com)

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**HOUSEHOLD CLEAN-UP EVENT - BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!**

WEDNESDAY APRIL 21<sup>ST</sup> to SATURDAY APRIL 24<sup>TH</sup>

Residents may bring the following items to the Public Works Facility, 620 Cutler Ave from April 21<sup>st</sup> April 24<sup>th</sup> (9am to 1pm)

- ❖ Mattresses and Box Springs
- ❖ Unwanted items in your garage
  - ❖ Furniture
- ❖ Debris from SMALL Homeowner "Do-It-Yourself" Projects
  - ❖ Debris from around your property

**COMMERCIAL BUSINESS ITEMS / DEBRIS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**