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BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED

New Board Members, to begin a term in January 2025, are needed. If you are interested in serving on the Medford Lakes Colony Board of Directors, please attend the monthly meetings of the Board and send your resume to office@mlcolony.org. The next Medford Lakes Colony meeting will be held on Monday, September 9, 2024.

GREETINGS LAKERS!

The Medford Lakes School District is looking to gather information regarding the possibility of a full-day preschool program for 3 and 4-year-olds beginning in September 2025. Please log onto the school website: www.medford-lakes.k12.nj.us and complete the survey one per child. The survey will close on Friday, August 16th, at 3:00 p.m. Thank you for participating. Once the survey closes, we will gather the information and report back to the BOE during our August 28th meeting.

MEDFORD LAKES CORNHOLE LEAGUE

Registration is open NOW for Medford Lakes Cornhole League - Thursday Evenings this Fall!
The Cornhole League will be hosted on Thursday evenings on Beach 3.

- Dates: Thursday, September 12th through November 7th.
- Playoffs: Week of November 14th
- Cost: \$65 per person (you get a t-shirt!)
- Format: Teams of 2 (you pick your partner!)
- Times: You will either play 6pm, 7pm, 8pm, or 9pm.

Games should last an hour.

For more information or to register, please visit <https://www.mlaasports.com/cornhole>.

COLONY OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

The Colony Office will be observing summer hours from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm until after Labor Day.

13TH ANNUAL MEDFORD LAKES TRIATHLON SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2024

Tipsy Canoers will be hosting the event this year while working in collaboration with DQ Events. To enter the race or view the maps of the race course, visit <https://www.dqevents.com/> and click on the 13th Annual Medford Lakes Colony link. While the event may cause some traffic inconveniences during this short period, the funds from the event go to the Colony and our float group; in fact, the race has generated well over \$19,000.00 for the Colony in the last few years! Any questions, please speak with Stefani Kirk: buddykirk5@gmail.com

SEWING CIRCLE

There is a group of Colonists who gather at Demby Annex every Tuesday morning from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm (noon) to stitch and chat and enjoy each other's company. We all have different projects we are working on and there are always helping hands if the need arises!

GAMES, BONFIRE AND S'MORES ON THE BEACH!



Calling all K-5th grade families! Join Cub Scout Pack 48 on Beach 3 for an evening of games, a bonfire and s'mores, Friday September 6th at 6:30 pm. We are looking for new families to join in the fun we have planned for this year! Come learn about what scouting is all about!

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APPRECIATION DINNER FOR

MARY ANN MEEHAN, COLONY PRESIDENT 2023

The Medford Lakes Colony President's Dinner for Mary Ann Meehan will be held on Saturday, September 21, 2024, at the Medford Lakes Country Club starting at 6:30 pm.

Please save the date. More information will be shared soon.

LAKE LOWERING

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Fish and Wildlife Section will allow Medford Lakes Colony to apply for permission to lower the water level of a lake by as much as 3' (depending on the lake) in October. If you would like the lake you live on lowered, please send a request to office@mlcolony.org or call 609-654-7747.

Remember, if you do any work to your dock or/and bulkhead, it is necessary to complete an application/permit with the Medford Lakes Colony. There is a \$25 application fee. The applications can be found on our website: <https://www.medfordlakescolony.org/forms>.

Please email questions or concerns to camp@mlcolony.org.

BRONZE SHIELD RECIPIENTS 2024

The first year a child attends camp, they are given a wooden shield with their name on a decal stating, "Medford Lakes Colony Camp Athletic Achievement Award." If a child then successfully attends and completes nine years of our summer camp, they are eligible to earn their Bronze Shield. This achievement started back as early as 1937.

The following campers have received this outstanding achievement:

Derek Andryca, James Bailey, Gabriella Biazzo*, Danny Brown, Julian Byrne, Marisa Cahill*, Matthew Ciotti, Joseph Collison, Anna DeAngelis, Jimmy DeFulio, Jr., Fiona DiGaetano, Zane Dillich, Frank Donnelly, Molly Doyle, Sadie Dwyer, Megan Farr, Ranger Fest, Jack Fiorelli, Thea Gavlick, Sarah Gaysek, Daniel Germano, Nancy Gilmartin, Fallon Gould, Julia Harrison, Cole Haussman*, Kiera Howell, Reagan Jennings, Anderson Knight, Karli Koncewicz, Claire Leap, Noah Lotierzo, Joseph Martella, Summer McCrum, Luke Miller, Maiya Miller Donahue, AJ O'Reilly, Leeland Rogers, Lorelei Schaefer, Samantha Singh, Faith Stevenson, Sadie James Thurber, Travis Wahlgren, and Lucas Yakabosky

The Bronze Shields will be given out in a ceremony at a later date to-be-determined.

*Additional CONGRATULATIONS to the Bronze Shield Recipients of the Year!

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SINCERE SYMPATHY

Our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of DOMINIC S. CONSTANTINE JR., of Medford Lakes, NJ, who passed away peacefully on Monday, August 5th, 2024, at the age of 75. Born in Camden, NJ, he was the son of the late Dominic & Agnes (nee Maltese) Constantine and has resided in Medford Lakes since 1974 moving there from Camden, NJ. A retired Case Worker for the Burlington County Welfare Board in Mt. Holly, NJ, he retired in 2009 after more than 25 years of service. He was an avid Bicycler and loved the lakes and his neighbors. Dominic is the Beloved Husband of Anna F. (nee Acquaro) Constantine and the Loving Father of Dominic B. Constantine and his wife Corine of Marlton, NJ and Frances Ransome and her husband Eric of Shamong, NJ. He is also survived by his Grandchildren Dominic J. Constantine, Anthony M. Constantine, Grace Ransome and Mason Ransome and his sister Anna. In lieu of other expressions of sympathy the family requests memorial donations to the Medford Lakes Emergency Squad, 1 Cabin Circle, Medford Lakes, NJ 08055.

**NO DOGS ON THE BEACH
IT'S THE LAW**

Per NJ State Health Code 8:26 "No animals, except for service animals, shall be allowed in the swimming pool, wading pool, hot tub, or spa area, dressing rooms, or other parts of the enclosure."

If your dog is a service dog, bring proof to the Colony office and get a beach tag for your dog.

Many people are allergic to dogs, afraid of dogs, and do not want to share the beach with a dog.

SINCERE SYMPATHY

Our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Gerald W. Mauger who passed away on July 31, 2024. He was born in West Berlin, NJ on August 18, 1941, number 8 of 14 children. He and his wife have lived in Medford Lakes since 1965. He was a machinist for over 30 years with John E. Hand & Son Co. making nautical instruments for the U.S. Navy. Jerry will be remembered for participating in several activities in Medford Lakes. He was a baseball umpire, soccer coach, Boy Scout assistant leader, pond study instructor for the fifth grade resident program at Mt. Misery, and a member of the Irregular Canoe Carnival float group.

He is survived by his wife Ann, son Brad & his wife Toni, 3 grandchildren, and 1 great grandchild.

Jerry was a treasure who will be greatly missed.

PLEASE PICK UP AFTER YOUR PET

There is a common misconception that pet waste benefits the environment by fertilizing the soil. Pet waste can contain disease-causing bacteria and parasites that can harm people and water systems; it also contains nutrients that promote the growth of algae and waterweeds in our lakes.

We all need to do our part to remedy this serious problem – please pick up after your pet!



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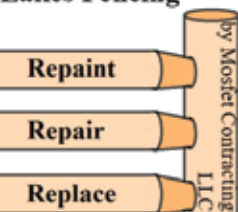
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