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COLONY MEETING

All members in good standing are encouraged to attend the Monday, September 9, 2024, Colony meeting. The meetings are held in Demby Annex. If you need something included on the agenda for the Sept. 9th meeting, please submit it to the Colony Office no later than Monday, Sept. 2nd.

Items for the agenda and questions can be directed to office@mlcolony.org.

BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED

Colonists interested in serving on the Colony Board of Directors should submit a letter of interest and resume to the Colony Office. The Board is particularly interested in applicants with accounting or financial background.

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Our next gathering is set for 12:00 pm on September 10th at Otts. All Medford Lakes residents with cancer (either active or in remission) are welcome.

No program. No pressure. No cost (other than what you order). Confidentiality is the only requirement. With any questions, please feel free to call Gary at 856-596-2478.

9-11 CEREMONY

Please Join Us As Our Community Gathers For A Remembrance Ceremony To Honor The Victims Of 9/11 On Wednesday September 11th At 6pm. The Ceremony Will Begin Inside The Cathedral Of The Woods And Conclude In Leon E. Todd Memorial Park. Location Is 100 Stokes Road, Medford Lakes. Never Forget.

PCC FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

The Protestant Community, Church, "Cathedral of the Woods," is hosting its next monthly Fellowship Breakfast on September 21, 2024. Breakfast is served at 8:30 am, followed by the program at 9:00 am. It is held in the Todd Christian Education Building located directly behind the sanctuary at 100 Stokes Road, Medford Lakes.

The September program describes the church's Casserole Ministry and features Madelyn Sutton, Executive Director of the Christian Caring Center in Pemberton, and Suzanne Murray and Walt Roecker from the Protestant Community Church. They will talk about this successful and exciting program that helps to provide more than 15,000 meals each year.

Fellowship Breakfast is open to the community and is free of charge. We hope to see you there. For further information, please call the church office during business hours at (609) 654-4220.

THE OTR EN BLANC CHARITY DINNER GALA

The OTR En Blanc Charity Dinner Gala, benefiting St. Jude and OTR Float Group, will be held on October 5th, 2024. Join us for a magical evening in all-white attire. Tickets are available now for \$85 per person, with limited seating, and your ticket includes automatic entry into two door prize drawings valued at \$500 each. Payment of \$85 pp made in full to: Venmo @JulietReilly or drop off a check made payable to "OTR" with "En Blanc Gala" in the memo to 131 Paupukkeewis Trail, Medford Lakes.

With your payment, please include your contact information (phone number, email address, number of guests, and Chef d' Etat (name of table leader)).

This year, we are providing all the essentials – dishes, glasses, napkins, tables, cloth, and utensils. Be creative for your tablescape to win grand prize and bring the new trophy home and dress to impress!

If you cannot attend and would like to donate to St. Jude, we would appreciate it. If you have any questions, please call or text Sabina at 609-471-2234 or Rebecca at 609-790-2940.

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BOROUGH COUNCIL ASSISTS COLONY WITH LIABILITY INSURANCE CRISIS

The Medford Lakes Borough and the Medford Lakes Colony recently completed an historic “shared services” agreement that will go a long way in addressing the Colony’s huge liability insurance cost and resultant financial crisis. You will recall that our cost-of-coverage increased by 500% from approximately \$50,000 to over \$250,000 in June following cancellation from our prior carrier. This new agreement – in effect – extends the Borough’s liability insurance program to cover Colony operations by adding us to the Borough’s policy as a “named insured.” We will, of course, pay our proportionate share of the Borough’s incurred new costs to make them whole so that public funds are not involved. But the Borough’s action will reduce our current and future costs significantly – perhaps by as much as \$200,000 in the short-term.

The long-term implications are even more important. With Borough sponsorship in their county-wide municipal insurance pool – a Joint Insurance Fund (JIF) – we are removed from the volatility of the private insurance market. There will be future increases, of course. But the nature of self-insurance pools and the benefits from cooperative large-scale purchasing should mean that our increases will be a fraction of what they would otherwise have been.

We are immensely grateful for this action by the Borough Council – Bill Fields, Dennis O’Neil, Tom Cranston, Jerry Yowell, and Matt Bailey – and Borough Manager Rob Burton and Solicitor Doug Heinold for stepping up. When the Borough learned of our insurance problem, their first response was “How can we help?” Their cooperation and efforts reflect the unique nature of the Medford Lakes community and the special relationship between the Borough and the Colony. And this success could not have been possible without the assistance, vision, cooperation of the Camden County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund.

It is difficult to overstate the importance of this agreement. Even with our (continuing and unchanged status) as a private entity acting as a “quasi-government,” we have no access to the financial benefits of large-scale insurance pools on our own. Now we do. It is not unreasonable to project that this agreement could save us – and the Medford Lakes Colony community – \$1 million over five years. Without it we would have been required to absorb costs and pass on subsequent dues increases that would have threatened our very existence as an independent entity.

While a Colony dues adjustment for 2025 will be necessary so that we can recover from our current deficit and create a funding stream for the reality of a new expense profile, the requisite adjustment will be a fraction of what it could have been.

We can thank the Borough Council and the Camden County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund for that.

MEDFORD LAKES GIRL SCOUTS MEET YOUR LEADER – SEPTEMBER 11, 2024

All Medford Lakes girls interested in joining the Girl Scouts community are invited to stop by the Sand Stand on September 11th from 5:00pm to 6:30pm to say Hello and “Meet Your Leader.” Girl Scouts and their families will receive a discount on their total ice cream bill (thank you Sand Stand!). Girl Scouts is a movement dedicated to building girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place. The Medford Lakes service unit has a troop for each grade level (K through 12). We look forward to seeing you then! Any questions please email medfordlakesgs@gmail.com.

APPRECIATION DINNER FORMARY ANN MEEHAN, COLONY PRESIDENT 2023

Saturday, September 21, 2024
 6:30 p.m. bar * 7:00 p.m. dinner

Medford Lakes Country Club • 70 Oak Drive, Medford Lakes, NJ

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 Deadline: Monday, September 16, 2024

If you prefer to pay online with a debit/credit card, please visit:
<https://www.medfordlakescolony.org/presidentappreciationdinner>

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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. Five percent (5%) of residences on a lake must ask for the lake to be lowered before the Colony will apply for a lake lowering permit. If you would like the lake you live on lowered, please send a request to camp@mlcolony.org by September 6, 2024.

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.

§ 148-2 DEFINITIONS; LIGHTING NUISANCES.

Please be considerate of your neighbors. Call the Borough at 609-654-8898 with questions.

"No artificial lighting shall shine directly upon any neighboring property or be so established that it shall shine directly upon any neighboring property or shall shine directly on or into any room or rooms, porches or patios of any neighboring property, nor shall any artificial lighting be maintained or operated from any structure or land in such a manner as to be a nuisance or an annoyance to neighboring properties or as to interfere with the physical comfort of the occupants of neighboring properties."

"Any residential outdoor lighting shall be turned off or operate solely on motion sensors past 12:00 midnight and through to dawn."

Read more at found on <https://ecode360.com/38450127> found on <https://www.medfordlakes.com/>

SAVE THE DATE OCTOBER 5TH – STUDIO 55!

The Medford Lakes Lions are hosting a STUDIO 55 DANCE PARTY. Get ready to DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY and BOOGIE ON DOWN at Vaughan Hall!

Highlights of the evening include: Prizes for Best Costume - come decked out in your best Disco Outfit, Hot Tunes by DJ BayBFace, Dance Instruction by Dulce of Studio 67, Basket Raffles and Silent Auction Items, Lite Fare provided. BYOB. \$ 30.00 pp

Registration opening soon: <https://medfordlakeslions.org/studio55/>
 All proceeds benefit the Medford Lakes Lions Charities and Club to support our efforts in the community and the buildings and properties that support them.

SINCERE SYMPATHY

Our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Frank V. Shevlin, Jr., age 77, of Medford Lakes, NJ who passed on August 23, 2024.

Frank was the oldest son of Margaret T. (nee Baxter) and Frank V. Shevlin. He was born in Philadelphia and grew up in Camden, NJ. After marrying Elizabeth "Betsy" (nee Hoad), they settled for a time in Pennsauken, NJ and began their family before moving to Medford Lakes, where they have lived for 40 years.

Frank spent his career in the Mortgage & Finance Industry in South Jersey. He was instrumental in the growth of Equity One Mortgage Co. (now Popular Financial) where he worked for many years before joining National Future Mortgage Corp., serving as National Director for Mortgage Originations until his retirement. Frank was a very social person who enjoyed his friendships and thrived networking with colleagues and clients to help families secure mortgages for their dream homes.

Frank has been a 40+ year parishioner of St. Mary of the Lakes Parish, Medford. He was active for many years with the Medford Lakes Athletic Association where he coached baseball and was also active with the Boy Scouts. Frank was an avid tennis player for many years and a dedicated Phillies and Eagles fan. Most of all Frank loved his family and enjoyed spending time with them, but his greatest role was a "Pop-Pop" to his beloved grandchildren, Emily and Derek.

Frank was predeceased by his parents, Frank V. Shevlin and Margaret T. "Nan" Shevlin. He is survived by his devoted wife 52 years, Elizabeth "Betsy" Shevlin (nee Hoad), his loving children, Samantha Andryca and her husband Scott, and Christopher Shevlin, and by his beloved grandchildren, Emily Andryca and Derek Andryca. Frank is also survived by his brothers, John Shevlin and Bob Shevlin, along with his sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews and their families.

JOIN THE MEDFORD LAKES WOMEN'S CLUB!

Are you a Colony member looking to get involved with other ladies in Medford Lakes? Join Medford Lakes Women's Club! MLWC is a group for women living in Medford Lakes, NJ, who want to find friends and get involved in their community.

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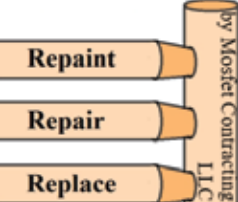
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, September 7th – Large Trash Drop Off and Brush & Leaf Drop Off, 7:30 am - 12:30 pm, behind the Firehouse
 Monday, September 9th – Curbside pick-up. Call 609-654-9383 and leave a message to include what you are leaving out for pickup at your curb, your address, and your telephone number.
 Monday, September 9th – Colony Meeting, 7:30 pm, Demby Annex

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