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# MEDFORD LAKES COLONY NEWS



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## TO THE MEMBERSHIP

The term “mixed emotions” can be overused, but for me it is a perfect description of my feelings on this day, my last as your Office Manager. Of course, I’m excited to start a new chapter as the Director of Religious Education at St. Mary’s of the Lakes. There, I have an opportunity to give to my faith in a direct and important way, and also to apply my Master’s Degree in Theology.

But I cannot deny a feeling of melancholy at leaving a place where I’ve spent the past thirty years. Medford Lakes is a very special town – one like no other – and helping to preserve its uniqueness and heritage has been one of the great honors and joys of my life. I cannot deny the difficulties and challenges, but I always ended the day knowing that what I was doing was worth the effort.

But it is the Lakers that makes the Lakes truly special. And while I remain a Laker and a neighbor to you all, it will be in a different way. I’ll miss hearing about your lives, getting reports about your children as they grow, and your daily fellowship.

The kind words and gestures of gratitude that have come my way over the fast few weeks have been overwhelming. I cannot tell you how much I appreciate them and how special they make me feel.

My love to you all,  
Millie  
8-2-2024

## COLONY OFFICE CLOSED

The Colony Office will be closed from Monday, August 5th through Friday, August 9th.

## COLONY MEETING

All members in good standing are encouraged to attend the Monday, August 12, 2024, Colony meeting. The meetings are held in Demby Annex starting at 7:30 pm.

## 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, August 12, 2024.

## 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>.

## THANK YOU FROM THE KING AND QUEEN

Hello Medford Lakes! We are honored to represent you all as this year’s King and Queen. We would like to take the time to thank the volunteers of the Pageant Committee who make sure the pageant happens every year. We would also like to thank everyone who voted, either for us or one of the other contestants.

It was a very fun night full of unforgettable experiences, and it was just the start! The future holds even more memories to be made with the honor of serving as your King and Queen.

Medford Lakes is really a town like no other, friends and neighbors simply become part of our larger family. We look forward to carrying on the traditions that this town holds dear!

Thank you,  
Madi Jones and Sean Sipera

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**2024 CANOE CARNIVAL FLOAT AWARDS**

*Congratulations to all of the winners!*



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| <b>3rd Prize - Neeta Division</b><br>Wiser Budz<br>Medford Lakes Cocktail Clock                        | <b>4th Prize - Single Canoe</b><br>Landsharks<br>Pirates & Parrots   |
| <b>1st Prize - Nokomis Division</b><br>Just One mOar<br>Fishin' in the Dark                            | <b>1st Prize - Organization</b><br>Medford Lakes Girl Scouts<br>Medford Lakes Girl Scouts are<br>Champions |
| <b>2nd Prize - Nokomis Division</b><br>What the Float<br>Float Busters - I Ain't Afraid of<br>No Float | <b>Welcome Aboard Rookie</b><br>Ships & Giggles<br>Who are you?  |
| <b>3rd Prize - Nokomis Division</b><br>Nut-n-Butt Paddles<br>Running with the Devil                    | <b>Welcome Aboard Rookie</b><br>Mucking Around<br>Shout at the Devil                                       |
| <b>4th Prize - Nokomis Division</b><br>All Float On<br>Portal to Surrealism                            | <b>Welcome Aboard Rookie</b><br>Landsharks<br>Pirates & Parrots  |
| <b>1st Prize - Single Canoe</b><br>Ships & Giggles<br>Who are you?                                     | <b>Mardi Gras</b><br><b>1st Prize Decorating</b><br>The Simpson Family<br>147 Stokes Road                  |
| <b>2nd Prize - Single Canoe</b><br>Hardwick Family<br>Hot Legs   | <b>2nd Prize Decorating</b><br>The Siciliano Family<br>160 Chippewa Trail                                  |
| <b>3rd Prize - Single Canoe</b><br>Mucking Around<br>Shout at the Devil                                | <b>3rd Prize Decorating</b><br>The Requa Family<br>186 Chippewa Trail                                      |

**Grand Prize**  
Mad Paddlers  
Cheeseburger in Paradise

**Jay Jones**  
**Builders' Choice Award**  
Sink Oar Swim  
Sink Oar Swamp

**2nd Prize - Shawnee Division**  
On the Rocks  
Fire Fly

**1st Prize - Neeta Division**  
Sink Oar Swim  
Sink Oar Swamp

**1st Prize - Shawnee Division**  
Scrub Pines  
Toys Just Wanna Have Fun

**2nd Prize - Neeta Division**  
Canoe Kids on the Block  
We Didn't Start the Fire

**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.

**CAMPERS SAY THANK YOU!**

To the many, many wonderful people and organizations that gave funds to our Camp Scholarship Program – thank you!

Every child who needed help to attend camp was granted a scholarship. Your donation made it a fun summer that will grow into a fond memory for each and every child.

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A BIG thank you is needed for K-Seal for sponsoring the Camp Staff shirts for 2024!

**THANK YOU TO OUR CAMP LUNCH VOLUNTEERS!**

A BIG thank you is needed to the group of dedicated volunteers that helped pick up, sort, and distribute the Camp Lunches! We could not have done it without your help!

Jaclyn Barikian, Emily Cheney, Rebekka Conover, Jamie DiPerna, Stephanie Donnelly, Anne Galli, Stefani Kirk, Erin Martella, Katie Matthews, Kate McNeil, Terri O'Brien, Shannon Patterson, Sara Quigley, Susan Rosenkranz, Katie Royce, and Rachael Urban

**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](mailto: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!

**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](mailto: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](mailto:camp@mlcolony.org).

**SINCERE SYMPATHY**



Our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Elizabeth "Betty" L. Reis (nee Baker) of Medford Lakes who passed away peacefully on Sunday, July 7th, 2024, at the age of 74. Born in Philadelphia, PA, she is the daughter of the late A. Richard Baker and Midge (nee Shirley) Baker and has resided in Medford Lakes, NJ since 1984.

A retired School Teacher with the Lindenwold School District in Lindenwold, NJ, she retired after 36 years of teaching.

She was a past president of the Medford Lakes Colony. Past president of The Medford Lakes Junior Women's Club, she served on several committees of the Medford Lakes Country Club and headed the pre-school summer camp for the Medford Lakes Colony for 20 years. She was also responsible for making Mardi Gras night a very successful event to this day and was very active in the community.

She is the Beloved Wife of Gerard W. Reis of Medford Lakes and the Loving Mother of Jeffrey Reis of Medford Lakes. She is also survived by Sisters-in-law Monica (nee Kupiec) Baker, Cookie Griffith and Mar Joan Reis, Brother-in-law Richard Reis, 5 Nieces and 4 Nephews.

Relatives and Friends are invited to greet her family on Friday, August 9th, 2024 from 9:00 am – 11:00 AM at the Protestant Community Church, 100 Stokes Road, Medford Lakes, NJ, where a Celebration of her life will be held at 11:00 AM. Interment will be private and at the convenience of the family. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of The Bradley & Stow Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Samaritan Hospice, PO Box 71425, Philadelphia, PA, 19176-1425.

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Saturday, August 10th – Large Trash Drop Off and Brush & Leaf Drop Off, 7:30 am - 12:30 pm, behind the Firehouse.

Monday, August 12th – Colony Meeting, 7:30 pm, Demby Annex

Tuesday, August 13th – Recycle Collection


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