



September 2020

# THE MEDFORD MESSENGER

“What’s Up in Medford”

Above Photos—Main Street Clock & the Canoe Trail in Medford Park

## \*SPECIAL EVENTS

(\*please check the Twp. website or Facebook page for updates during the COVID-19 restrictions)

[Township Events Page](#)  
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## SPORTS

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## THE ARTS

[Medford Art Center](#)

## HISTORY

[Medford Historical Society](#)

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

[Water Bill Due Dates](#)  
[Property Taxes Due Dates](#)

## SERVICES

[Brush and Leaf Pickup](#)  
[Brush and Leaf Zones](#)  
[Recycling](#)

Trash Related Issues:  
(Missed Collections and Can Replacements and/or repairs)  
Gold Medal Environmental of NJ -  
856-784-5050

## OTHER IMPORTANT LINKS

[Town Calendar](#)  
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[Senior Citizens](#)  
[Parks and Recreation](#) -  
[Facility Rentals](#)

## FAIRVIEW ROAD NEAR CRANBERRY PINES SCHOOL FLASHING CROSSWALK

The Township, in collaboration with the Medford Public School District, has installed a signalized crosswalk on Fairview Road near Woods Drive leading to Cranberry Pines School. The crosswalk is fully operational and will be activated when school is in session. Drivers who use Fairview Road should be aware of this new crosswalk and use caution when approaching this area near the school



## FOOD TRUCKS ON MAIN STREET

With the terrific response and nicer weather, Food Trucks on Main will be held twice in September—on both Thurs., September 3rd & Thurs., September 17th from 5:00-9:00 pm. Click [Here](#) for a list of the vendors and menus.

Planning ahead, there will also be two Food Truck Nights in October—from 5:00-9:00 pm on Thurs., October 1st & Thurs, Oct. 15th. Please check our [website](#) in later September for the vendors for these dates.



## 2020 CENSUS

The 2020 Census deadline has been changed to September 30th.

If you have not already done so, please complete your census. It is important to be counted, as Federal and State aid is dependent upon population size.

<https://2020census.gov/>





## ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The 2019 Road Program will be awarded by Resolution at the September 1st Council Meeting. The roads to be improved under this contract are as follows: Dixontown Road, Shawnee Pass, Mountain Lane, Valley Run, Broken Arrow Bend, Tee Pee Court, Buffalo Run, Summit Pass, Thunder Head Drive, Shining Star Court, Horse Shoe Curve, Lightning Drive, Moon Way, Warrior Way, Copper Crow Bend, Silver Cloud Circle, White Eagle Court, North Intersection Bayou &



Utah Trails, New Freedom Road, Tidswell Avenue, Gravelly Hollow Road, Bowker Road, Vermont Trail, Hanover Drive & Hampton Circle Drive, Park Road, 21 Illinois Trail, Post Office Lane, Heath Road and the Public Safety Building parking lot.

Work will begin in the fall of 2020 and any roads not completed will be done in the Spring of 2021.

Please sign up for NIXLE alerts &/or Twp. e-mails for updates on scheduling and road detours. The links are on the home page of the Township website.

## BRUSH COLLECTION PROGRAM

Brush Collection is still ongoing. Please have your brush out prior to your scheduled collection date. We appreciate your patience as there has been a large amount of brush to collect due to several damaging storms and normal brush trimming and tree maintenance.

Crews have begun collection in Zone 4 and are finishing collection in Zone 1.

Zone 5: Week of September 7

Zone 4: Week of September 21

Zone 2: Week of October 5



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Brush shall include the pruning of trees, shrubs, bushes or vines, but exclude grass clippings, flowers, weeds, tree trunks, stumps, and leaves. **If the excluded items are mixed with the brush, the material will not be collected.**

All brush must be piled neatly at the edge of the property and cannot be placed in any roadway or sidewalk. Brush should not exceed 4-6 feet in length, and should not be any larger than 6 inches in diameter. **As a reminder for those residents who utilize a private contractor, the contractor is responsible for the removal of the brush from the property.**

Updates are posted to the News Feed on the home page of the Township website and on the Township's official Facebook page. Additional information can also be found on the Township website at : [www.medfordtownship.com/brushandleaf](http://www.medfordtownship.com/brushandleaf).

**TEN WAYS TO GREEN YOUR HOME — SAVE MONEY AND ENERGY!**  
(Provided by the Environmental Affairs Advisory Committee & Green Team)

1. Store your food in glass containers so fewer chemicals will leach from plastic containers into the food.
2. Turn off the faucet while you brush your teeth and you'll conserve up to 5 gallons of water per day.
3. Recycle used paper. Use the backs of paper that has writing on one side for grocery lists and scrap paper.
4. Avoid using plastic liners with your shower curtains so they don't end up in landfills.
5. Try to flush the toilet just one less time per day and you'll save 4.5 gallons of water.
6. Request that the dry cleaners don't use plastic to cover your items.
7. Set warm wash and cold rinse cycles and save 90% over the energy used when machine washing in hot water only.
8. Take control of your mail. Subscribe to Catalog Choice, a free service that lets you communicate your mail preferences to companies and reduces the number of unwanted catalogs in your mailbox. Utilize the online bill pay options provided by most credit card, gas and electric, and cable companies.
9. Pull the plug. According to the DOE 40% of all household electricity is consumed when products are turned off. This costs the average home almost \$1000 each year. So pull the plug when not in use. Activate the low-power settings, such as sleep and hibernate, on computers, monitors and printers. You'd be surprised to learn how much power our toys consume, even when they are "off." Some estimates put this phantom power drain at a cost of \$4 billion annually in the U.S. alone.
10. Don't Tire Out. Keeping tires at their proper pressure improves gas mileage, according to the DOE. Plus, when properly inflated, tires are safer and more durable. You can also improve your gas mileage by 1 to 2 percent by using the manufacturer's recommended grade of motor oil

Check out [earth911.com](http://earth911.com) for more information & green tips.



Did you know that you can safely dispose of expired and other prescriptions no longer needed in the Drop Box located in the Police Department lobby? Medicine drop boxes are the best way to safely dispose of most types of unneeded or expired prescription and over the counter medicines. Before disposing of prescription medicines, be sure to remove all personal information on the label of pill bottles or medicine packaging.

The Police Station/Public Safety Building is located at 91 Union Street. The lobby is open weekdays from 8:30 am-4:30 pm.



**Municipal Center Address:** 17 North Main Street, Medford, NJ 08055

**Phone:** (609) 654-2608

**Fax:** (609) 953-4087

**Hours:** 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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