



Mount Laurel Form of Government Q&A

WHAT FORM OF GOVERNMENT OPERATES IN MOUNT LAUREL?

The Township of Mount Laurel operates under a Council-Manager Plan E of Chapter 210 of New Jersey Laws of 1950. The Township Council consists of 5 members elected at large with staggered terms.

WHY IS THERE A MAYOR CHANGE EVERY YEAR?

The Council appoints one of its members to serve as Mayor for a term of one year. They also appoint a Deputy Mayor to serve in the absence of the Mayor. The dayto-day operation of the Township is handled by a full time Township Manager, who is the chief executive and administrative officer appointed by the Township Council.

On Wednesday, January 3, 2024 New Jersey State Assemblywoman Carol Murphy, Majority Whip administered the oath of office to Mount Laurel Mayor Fozia Janjua. Mayor Janjua served as Deputy Mayor in the 2023 calendar year. Assemblywoman Carol Murphy also administered the oath of office to Mount Laurel Deputy Mayor Nikitas Moustakas.



A Message from Mayor Fozia Janjua



Dear Residents of Mount Laurel,

I am thrilled to address you as we embark on a new year of promise and opportunities. It is with immense pride and gratitude that I serve as the first Democratic female, Muslim, and South Asian mayor of our wonderful town. This historic

moment signifies the rich diversity and inclusivity that defines Mount Laurel. I am genuinely excited for the year ahead and the events that will bring our community together.

Since joining the Township Council in 2021, my primary goal has been to bring our community closer by celebrating our diversity and fostering mutual understanding. Over the past three years, Mount Laurel has made remarkable progress. We have improved communication channels to ensure your voices resonate in our decisions. We've celebrated cultural events like Juneteenth and our cherished menorah and tree lighting tradition. These events showcase the rich tapestry of our community's heritage. Ultimately, it's not just about recognizing our differences; it's about using them to unite and strengthen us.

As an educator and a working mom of four, I am deeply

committed to ensuring our children have every opportunity to grow, learn, and flourish in a nurturing environment. It is my heartfelt belief that our youngsters deserve a future where their potential knows no bounds, and I am dedicated to creating a community that not only values diversity but actively encourages it as a source of strength and vitality. This in turn, will not only prepare our children for success in the world but also contribute to the continued growth and prosperity of Mount Laurel as a whole.

Moving forward, we will continue to build bridges, fostering understanding and empathy among our citizens. It is in these moments of unity that Mount Laurel truly shines.

I am grateful for this opportunity to serve as your mayor once more. Let's make Mount Laurel a beacon of inclusivity, where every individual's story is acknowledged and celebrated. With your support and our collective determination, I do not doubt that we will achieve great things.

Thank you once again for this incredible honor. I eagerly anticipate embarking on this exciting journey together.

Warm regards.

Mayor Fozia Janjua

Mount Laurel's Holiday Celebration

On December 7, 2023 Mount Laurel Township and the Rancocas Woods Business Association held a Holiday Celebration. The night marked the first night of Hanukkah and the Township's Menorah lighting was led by Rabbi Memis-Foler of Congregation Adath Emanu-El.

Following the menorah lighting, Santa Clause visited everyone with help from the Mount Laurel Fire Department and lit the tree. There was a wonderful turnout with everyone enjoying the tree lighting, the variety of kids activities,



character appearances, and shopping for holiday gifts along Creek Road. Attending the celebration was all of Township Council, along with Assemblywoman Carol Murphy, Majority Whip, Senator Troy Singleton, Assemblyman Herb Conaway, Burlington County Commissioners Dan O'Connell and Allison Eckel.

Thank you to everyone who attended this event. We look forward to many upcoming Township events this year.



Save the Date

GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY

On Saturday, March 23rd join Township Council for a Greek Independence Day celebration.

Celebrate the rich history and culture of Hellenism as Deputy Mayor Moustakas raises the Greek flag. Refreshments will follow.

The event will take place at 2:00 PM in Laurel Acres Park located at 1045 S. Church Street.

Please REGISTER for this event to events@mountlaurel.com.

ATTENTION MOUNT LAUREL DOG AND CAT OWNERS

Mount Laurel Township will be holding its FREE RABIES Clinic on Thursday. March 21st.

Taking place at the Public Works Garage at 100 Mount Laurel Road from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

Mount Laurel Township residents will also have the opportunity to license their pets at the Rabies Clinic.

Please note the fees as follows:

Dog / Cat

License Fee \$12.00

Non Spayed/Non Neutered Fee ADD \$3.00

Late Fee (after March 31st) ADD \$10.00

For additional information or to obtain a form for a new pet license, visit our website at

www.mountlaurel.com or call 856-234-0001 ext. 1235

Clean Up Day

Shred Event

Mount Laurel Township will hold a Community Clean Up Day on Saturday, April 20th.

The event will help beautify our community by cleaning up litter. Taking place from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM at Laurel Acres Park Pavilion.

Gloves and bags will be provided.

To register for Clean Up Day email events@mountlaurel.com.

Mount Laurel Townships Shred Event will take place on Saturday, April 27th.

Bring bags or boxes of paper to be shredded in our mobile shredding unit.

The Shred Event is from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM at the Mount Laurel Police Garage at 100 Mount Laurel Road.

Township Municipal Building Has Moved!

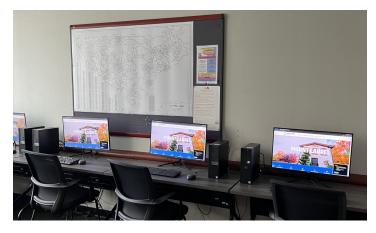
The Township has officially moved offices. The new Municipal Building is located at 750 Centerton Road, Mount Laurel NJ 08054.

Please note the Mount Laurel Police Department Headquarters are located at 100 Mount Laurel Road.

At this time the following departments have moved: Township Clerk/Registrar, Tax Assessor, Tax Collector, Construction, Planning, Zoning, Housing, Finance, Economic Development, Public Works, Recreation, and Township Council offices.

The building has three main floors.

On the first floor of the building are the departments of Tax Collector, Tax Assessor, and Court. The tax department has a 24/7 secure drop off box where residents can drop off taxes. To access the box residents can park in the lot closest to Centerton Road. A walk up window is coming soon.



How Can I <u>Find</u> Township Meetings?

- Locate meeting dates by clicking on the "Government" tab on the top of the homepage. Then click on the type of meeting you're looking for
- Once clicked on type of meeting, the page will direct you to the meeting dates.
- On the left side of the meeting page you'll see a link for Zoom or meeting location. If the meeting is taking place over Zoom, you will find a link to sign up for the Zoom meeting. You will receive an email confirmation with a link to attend the meeting.
- Residents can also see an outline of meeting dates on the website homepage. Scroll down to the township calendar and click on a date. The date will have meeting items and applicable Zoom links

The second floor has the departments of Township Clerk/ Registrar, Finance, Public Works, Recreation, and Township Council offices.

The third floor has the departments of Construction, Economic Development, Planning, Zoning, and Housing.

As of July 1st Court will be in the new building. All Township meetings (Council, Zoning) will take place at 750 Centerton Road after July 1st.

On the first floor of the building is a resident welcome center where residents can search for information on publically available computers with printing capabilities. Residents can use these computers during municipal building hours of operation.

We look forward to residents seeing the new building.



Municipal Hours of Operation

From now until Monday, May 27th the Township will be open during the following hours:

- Monday— Friday 8:00AM to 4:00PM
 From Tuesday, May 28th to Monday, September 2nd the Township will be open during the following hours:
- Mondays from 8:00AM to 5:30PM
- Tuesdays—Thursdays from 7:45AM to 4:15PM
- Fridays the Township building will be closed

From Tuesday, September 3rd to the end of the year the Township will be open during the following hours:

Monday— Friday 8:00AM to 4:00PM

Please note that this does not include holidays.

Tax Assessor

TOTALLY DISABLED VETERANS (100% PERMANENT AND TOTAL)

If you are a 100% permanently and totally disabled veteran (or surviving spouse) and have a 100% rating issued by the Office of Veteran's Affairs (VA), you may be eligible for property tax exemption. The basic requirements are honorable discharge, a 100% permanent and total disability rating certification from the VA, and the property you seek exemption for must be your primary residence. Along with the application form, applicants must supply a copy of the DD Form 214 or discharge papers, a deed to the property showing the applicant as owner, proof of residency in the home, and a copy of a current NJ Driver's License. The application is available online at www. mountlaurel.com or you may contact Dennis DeKlerk, Tax Assessor, at ddeklerk@mountlaurel.com or 856- 234-0001 x1255 or x1257.

VETERAN TAX DEDUCTION

Veterans can apply for a yearly tax deduction of \$250.00. To qualify, you must be a NJ resident, be on the deed as an owner of the property, have an honorable discharge, and be able to provide a DD Form 214 or discharge papers. Applications are available online at www.mountlaurel.com or at the Township Tax Assessor's Office.

SENIOR CITIZEN OR DISABLED PERSON TAX DEDUCTION

Any resident or property owner who qualifies can receive an annual deduction from their property taxes if they are a Senior Citizen (65 or over) or Disabled Person. A \$250.00 per year deduction is applied to the property tax bill for approved applicants. NJ State guidelines limit household income to qualify. Social Security can be excluded. Government pensions can be excluded only up to the annual Social Security maximum. Any income outside of that is capped at \$10,000.00 per year. Applications are available online at www. mountlaurel.com or at the Township Assessor's Office.

Tax Collector

RESIDENT HOMEOWNERS

- Resident homeowners who are currently receiving a \$250 deduction for Senior Citizen, Disabled Person or Surviving Spouse will be receiving the Annual Post-Tax Year Income Statement along with the Supplemental Income Form in the mail. These forms will reflect your 2023 income information. Please remember to return both forms completed and signed to the Tax Collectors office no later than March 1, 2024. Please be advised that failure to return the completed forms by the deadline will result in you being disallowed the deduction of \$250 that you have already received for the 2023 tax year.
- For information about State Property Tax Relief Programs, including eligibility criterion and potential deduction or credit amounts, please visit the Division of Taxation's website at: https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ relief.shtml.

DIRECT DEBIT PROGRAM

The township offers an ACH Direct Debit program for property taxes. If you are interested in participating, please check our township website for more information, including the application.



Mount Laurel Police Department

MOUNT LAUREL POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFERS CONGRATULATIONS TO K-9 FLASH AND OFFICER SANTIAGO

The Mount Laurel Police Department would like to congratulate Officer Santiago and K-9 Flash for graduating from the Cape May County Sheriffs Bloodhound class #11.

K-9 Flash is ready to protect Mount Laurel and the surrounding communities. K-9 Flash is Mount Laurel's first ever bloodhound. He will specialize in the location of missing and endangered persons and criminal suspects.



CONGRATULATIONS TO DETECTIVE JOSHUA TREUSCH FOR BEING SELECTED TO RECEIVE THE PRESTIGIOUS SERGEANT NOELLE HOLL AWARD

The Mount Laurel Police Department would like to congratulate Detective Joshua Treusch for being selected to receive the prestigious Sergeant Noelle Holl Award.

The Noelle Holl Award is presented annually by the New Jersey Attorney General's Taskforce on Human Trafficking to recognize a law enforcement officer for going above and beyond in helping victims of human trafficking by aggressively pursuing traffickers through investigation and prosecution, and raising awareness in New Jersey communities.

Detective Treusch fully embraces the victim-centered approach to these investigations. In addition to his investigative work, he has provided direct victim assistance and engaged in prevention and awareness activities with a multi-disciplinary approach that has had tangible results for the victims and survivors.

On January 25th, 2024 the NJ Office of the Attorney General and Division of Criminal Justice held its annual Human Trafficking Awareness event at the War Memorial in Trenton where Detective Treusch was recognized for his outstanding efforts. We wish him congratulations on his award.

JOIN THE MOUNT LAUREL PD HIRING POLICE OFFICERS



REQUIREMENTS:

-Must be 18 years of age or older and possess a High School diploma or equivalent -Must possess a valid NJ driver's license -Must be able to pass a comprehensive medical & background investigation -Must be able to complete PTC PT pre-assessment

Class II Officers are encouraged to apply

-Competitive salary and comprehensive benefits package



EMAIL QUESTIONS: APPLY@MOUNTLAURELPD.ORG





Snow Removal

Our Public Works Department and contractors work hard to make driving safer and easier in snowy weather. The type of snow storm we receive affects the type of snow clearing operation that takes place and with heavy amounts of snow fall, the Township and contractors may plow your street several times. As snow rolls off the plows, it sometimes accumulates in driveway aprons. Please understand that this is unavoidable and it is the homeowner's responsibility to clear it. Here are some helpful tips to make the snow removal process easier for residents and the Township: Please remove the following items from the street in front of your home:

- Trash/recyclable containers. Place on the grassy planter strip between curb and sidewalk where possible.
- Portable basketball systems, hockey nets, or any other movable sporting equipment.
- Do not park cars on the street during the storm and at least for 12 hours after the storm. This speeds the removal process, prevents cars from being plowed in, and allows us to clear the entire street curb to curb.
- Please don't shovel or blow snow back on the street. If we already completed plowing this will create a hazard for residents

Please See Our List of Reminders For Proper Item Disposal and Quick Facts

HAZARDOUS WASTE

Collection is done on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month between 8-12PM at the recycling center on Midlantic. Holidays may affect these dates.

TIRE DISPOSAL

Schedule a tire pick-up for the 3rd Friday of the month by calling 856-234-0001 ext 1241 or by emailing info@ mountlaurel.com. 10 tires max per household a year.

WHITE GOODS/TVS (WASHER, DRYER, REFRIGERATOR, ETC.)

Schedule a pick-up for every Wednesday by calling 856-234-0001 ext 1241 or by emailing info@mountlaurel.com

BAGGED/LOOSE LEAVES

Scheduled pick up is between Oct-Dec. All other times leaves can be left at the curb. Clear biodegradable bags can be picked up at the Municipal Building at no charge (1st ten are free)

BRANCHES AND LIMBS

Place by the curb for pick-up. There is no scheduled pick-up dates.

FURNITURE (MATTRESSES, SOFAS, CHAIRS)

Place with regular trash. Mattresses must be wrapped in plastic. 2 items per household

YARD DEBRIS

(WEEDS, DEAD PLANTS, TREE TRIMMINGS) Place with regular trash

NEW/REPLACEMENT RECYCLE CAN

Email info@mountlaurel.com or Call 856-234-0001 ext 1241

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

Lobby of Mount Laurel Police Department 100 Mount Laurel Rd, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054

Mount Laurel Library

The library is the place for fun activities to stay busy through the winter and into the new year. For a complete list of events please visit: https://mtlaurel.evanced.info/signup

FEBRUARY YOGA FOR KIDS

Wednesday, February 21st 4:15 PM

This 45 minute yoga class is designed for kids **ages 6-8.** The students will build strength, balance, and flexibility

while promoting body awareness and self-confidence. The class includes breathwork, yoga poses, music, games, and relaxation and is presented in a fun and engaging way. Registration required. Please bring a mat or towel if possible.



VIRTUAL TALK: STOP MISPLACING THINGS!

Thursday, February 22nd 6:30 PM

Are you always misplacing things? Join best-selling author and organizing humorist Jamie Novak for this virtual program when she will share her tips to get organized. You'll learn what to do first, how to decide what to keep, and where to store it. If you are ready for a humorous take on all the clutter we keep then this is the program for you! Registration required. You will receive a Zoom link the day before. (Note: The Zoom link will come from a library email account. If you do not receive it, contact the library.)

MARCH CRYSTAL BOWL SOUND BATH MEDITATION: SOUNDS IN A FOREST

Sunday, March 16th 2:00 PM

Join us for an immersive sound bath meditation in an hour of harmonic crystal bowl sound frequencies for mind, body, and soul healing, combined with the gentle sounds of nature that would be heard in a forest that will soothe away your stress and anxieties. Crystal Singing Bowls work on a vibrational level to help remove disharmony and tension from your body, mind, and spirit while raising your energetic vibration and promoting relaxation, rejuvenation, and healing. Please bring your pillow, yoga mat and/or blanket for your comfort. Feel free to bring your crystals and extra bottles of water to charge up! Chairs will be available for those who choose not to lie down on the floor. Registration required.

DOCTOR WHO TRIVIA

Wednesday, March 20th 7:00 PM

Join us for a night of Doctor Who trivia! Bring a team of 2-5 people and compete with other teams - or come alone and form a team at the event. Win fabulous prizes, enjoy free snacks, and have a good time with fellow fans! No registration required.

TWEEN/TEEN KEVA PLANK CHALLENGE

Friday, March 22nd 5:00 PM

Welcome back to the 40 plank challenges! This session we are going to see who can build the widest bridge span, and yes... we



will be measuring :) You will receive 40 planks and you must use them all as you try to out-build your competitors! It is not as easy as you think. You can try more than once over the duration of this 2-hour event. Each completed bridge that stands for at least 3 full seconds will be measured. The winner gets posted on the Maker Space high score board and the tween webpage! Please register.

APRIL CEDAR RUN WILDLIFE REFUGE

Monday, April 1st 11:30 AM

Our friends from Cedar Run are visiting again with another exciting presentation. Program includes live animals. Best for ages 5-10. Registration required.

CHILDREN'S SHOW WITH THE BIG IDEA COMMITTEE

Thursday, April 4th 11:00 AM

Join us for a very special show with the Big Idea Committee! The Big Idea Committee blends musical theatre vocals and live cello instrumentals to create an interactive and theatrical experience for kids. President Christine and VP Melissa, along with everyone's favorite musical friend, Karl the Cello, facilitate the committee by engaging BIG Thinkers in the power (and fun!) of their ideas. Join the musical journey with fun, games, grand adventures, acts of kindness and, of course, song and dance. All in favor? Say, "AYE!" Think BIG and let your ideas soar! Best for ages 5-9. Please register.

SCRABBLE CLUB

Tuesday, April 30th 6:00 PM

Mount Laurel Library is hosting a Scrabble Club for ages 18 to 99! We meet the last Tuesday of the month. Beginners, experts, and all word game enthusiasts are invited to join us for a fun evening. Not only is Scrabble lots of fun, but there has also been research carried out showing that it keeps the brain stimulated and engaged, expands vocabulary, and makes people happy. Scrabble boards, scoring materials,



and a dictionary will be provided. Bring your friends or make new friends at the event. Participants will play in groups of up to four people. No registration required.

Business Spotlight

The Township and Township Council would like to extend a warm welcome to the following businesses:

CRUMBL COOKIES

Crumbl Cookies has officially opened in Centerton Square.

Located at 32 Centerton Road, the store features a clean, modern layout with signature Crumbl pink and black color accents.

Crumbl uses a unique marketing strategy that keeps customers coming back every week. Every Sunday, six new cookie flavors are announced on their website and social media pages. Flavors like skillet cookie, milk chocolate, blueberry muffin, banana bread, and confetti milkshake are just a few flavors customers can look forward to.

Hours are Monday-Thursday 8:00 AM- 10:00 PM and Friday-Saturday from 8:00 AM- Midnight.



ELITE SALONS & SUITES

ELITE Salons & Suites celebrated their grand opening on January 8th and were joined by Deputy Mayor Moustakas and Township officials.

ELITE Salons & Suites is a premier independent provider of custom luxurious salon suites. They make it possible to become a successful entrepreneur by providing a luxurious and high-end space, like-minded professionals to connect with, and the guidance of mentors invested in your success.

President and Chief Executive Officer of ELITE Salons, Bobby Keyes, and Karen Paci, Managing Director, have combined their business experiences to provide beautiful, modern spaces perfect for the salon professional to get started.

ELITE Salons is located at 4120 Dearborn Circle in Mount Laurel. To learn more please visit https://www. elitesalonsandsuites. com/



Beauty Professionals: Be your own Boss with ELITE!

Take ownership of your book, business, schedule and future by owning your NEW salon suite today!



Amenities like state of the art equipment, scheduling app, lavish break room with a coffee and wine bar for clients, free washer and dryer services, and professional cleanings of your suite are all included!

> Call or Email to book a tour! 215-821-8445 hello@elitesalonsandsuites.com



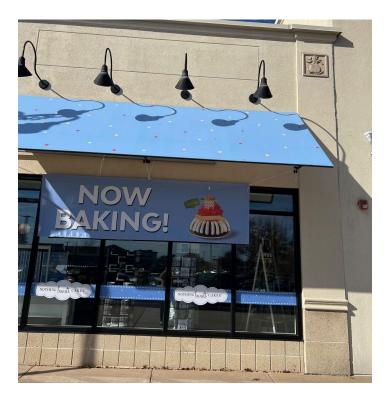
NOTHING BUNDT CAKES

Nothing Bundt Cakes celebrated their grand opening on January 27th with Mayor Janjua and members of the Burlington County Regional Chamber of Commerce.

All Nothing Bundt Cakes products are baked fresh daily on-site, and come in a variety of delicious flavors. Customers can enjoy Classic Vanilla, Chocolate Chocolate Chip, Red Velvet, Lemon, Carrot, White Chocolate Raspberry, Strawberries and Cream, Confetti and Snickerdoodle. There also is a gluten-free option.

The store offers a look book filled with ideas to design your perfect cake for any celebration. The shop also features a merchandise section with festive napkins, plates, cards, and home gifts.

They are located at 4320 Dearborn Cir, Mt Laurel Township. To learn more please visit www.nothingbundtcakes.com





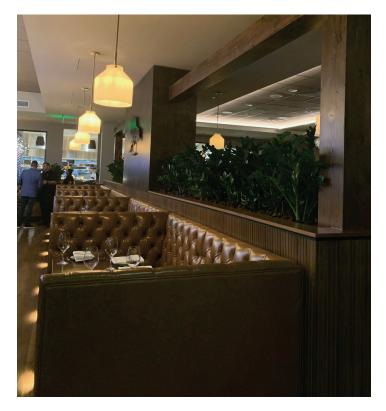
MONTEREY PRIME AMERICAN GRILL

One of Mount Laurel's newest restaurants, Monterey Grill celebrated their grand opening in November 2023 with Deputy Mayor Janjua, Councilman Moustakas, Councilman Pritchett, Councilwoman Cohen, and Township officials.

The Monterey Grill, located inside the Aloft Hotel, is a 9,500 square-foot steakhouse and seafood restaurant that will offer a wide variety of steaks, top quality seafood, an expansive wine list and more. The restaurant will seat 350plus guests, and has several options for large and intimate private dining events. Menu selections include center cut filet, bone in rib eye, NY strip, roasted half chicken with bliss potato, angry cashew shrimp and mozzarella stuffed meatball starters, and more. Seafood includes east & west coast oysters, chilled lobster, tuna poke, and more.

The restaurant is open from 4:00 to 10:00 PM Monday through Thursday, 4:00 to 11:00 PM Friday and Saturday, and 11:00 AM to 10:00 PM on Sunday. Learn more about Monterey Prime American Grill by visiting https://www.montereygrill.com.





LA QUINTA AND HAWTHORN SUITES BY WYNDHAM

La Quinta and Hawthorn Suites by Wyndham is a brand new dual-brand, 125 room hotel build next to the Funplex.

The hotel celebrated their grand opening in December 2023 with Mayor Steglik, Assemblywoman Carol Murphy, Majority Whip, and representatives from the Burlington County Regional Chamber of Commerce.

The hotel brands — La Quinta and Hawthorn Suites by Wyndham — will share a lobby, fitness center and other amenities in a four-story building. The hotel is pet friendly, features large meeting rooms, fitness center, and more. Exclusive perks are available for Funplex members.

The hotel is located at 3320-24 NJ-38, Mount Laurel. To learn more please visit https://thefunplex.com/mount-laurel/ hotel/



MARK'S JEWELERS

Mark's Jewelers celebrated their grand opening in October 2023 with Mayor Steglik and representatives from the Burlington County Chamber of Commerce.

For over 42 years they have been serving the Delaware Valley as one of its premier jewelry stores. They are now back home in South Jersey at their new location in Mount Laurel. The store features quality crafted jewelry, and is the perfect spot for engagement rings and wedding bands.

They are located at 1225 NJ-73, Mt Laurel Township. To learn more please visit https://www.marks-jewelers.com/



PRIMAVERA FINANCIAL

Vincent Primavera's experience spans more than 15 years in the financial services industry. He works closely with business owners and individuals to help them pursue their financial goals. Primavera Financial Services celebrated their grand opening in October 2023 with Mayor Steglik and representatives from the Burlington County Chamber of Commerce.

Primavera Financial Services is located at 1317 Route 73 North, Suite 106. For more information please call 609-680-2125.



STARBUCKS

Starbucks celebrated their grand opening in September 2023 with Mayor Steglik, Councilman Pritchett, Councilman Moustakas, Chief Schiavone, and many officers from Mount Laurel Police Department joined Jamie LaFlam and Andrea Wise from Starbucks's management team, along with store employees, for an official ribbon cutting.

Starbucks offers flavored coffee drinks as well as grab and go food options like sandwiches and sweet treats like cake

pops. This location features a drive-through along with tables inside for meeting friends or study breaks.

The store is located at 3111 NJ-38, Mount Laurel.



STRETCHLAB

StretchLab celebrated their grand opening in October 2023 with Mayor Steglik. StretchLab offers one-on-one assisted stretching that's meant to improve flexibility, mobility, range of motion, neck, back and joint pain in order to help people of all ages change their lives.

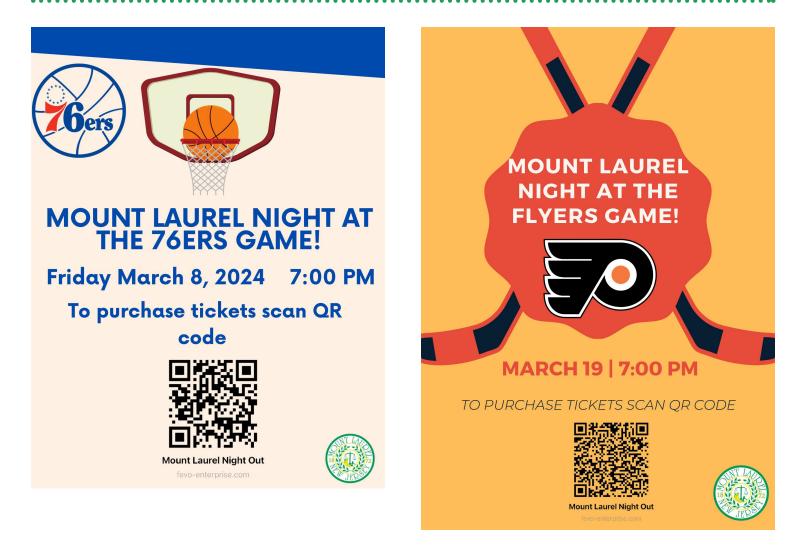
Stretching is found to improve relaxation and stress relief, improve sports performance, and can improve your posture.

Clients work with a flexologist to help relieve pain or tightness in a specific area, and can experience a wider range of motion after just one StretchLab experience session.

StretchLab is located at 127 Ark Road. For more information you can call 856-818-0888 or email mtlaurel@stretchlab. com.



Mount Laurel Sports Night Out



Mount Laurel Fire Department

WINTER 2024 FIRE SAFETY TIPS

More home fires occur in the winter than in any other season. You and your family can be fire-smart and fire-safe with these seasonal tips:



Keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet away from any heat source. This includes fireplaces, wood stoves, radiators, and space heaters.

Install and test carbon monoxide alarms at least once a month.

• Keep portable generators outside. Position them away from windows and as far from your home as possible.

After using a fireplace, store cooled ashes in a tightly covered metal container. Keep the container outside, at least 10 feet from your home.

Have a qualified professional clean and inspect your chimney and vents each year.

As with all seasons – be sure to have/practice your fire escape plan and have working smoke alarms in your home. Keep Mount Laurel safe and warm throughout the winter!

Alice Paul Institute

The mission of the Alice Paul Institute is to honor the legacy of Alice Paul's work for gender equality through education and leadership development.

The Alice Paul Institute is located at Paulsdale, Alice Paul's childhood home. Paulsdale is located at 128 Hooton Rd, Mt Laurel Township, NJ 08054



CHAMPIONS OF EQUALITY: VIRTUAL LUNCH & LEARN SERIES

Thursday, February 29th @ Noon

Join API and the Lawnside Historical Society for a presentation that will explore Black women in history who have liberated themselves and others, told through vignettes of Ona Judge, Hetty Reckless, Sojourner Truth, Harriet Tubman, and more.

https://www.alicepaul.org/programs-adults/

COMMUNITY ARCHIVING DAY

Saturday, March 23rd @ Paulsdale from 12-3

Join the fight for gender equality by helping API preserve and share the stories of everyday people making feminist history in NJ. To participate, simply bring your advocacy signs, posters, clothing, etc. to Paulsdale for digital archiving. More details can be found on our website. https://www. alicepaul.org/programs-adults/

LIBERATED LEADERSHIP

Thursday, March 28th @ Paulsdale

Program A: 8-10AM or Program B: 5-7PM

Honoring Assemblywoman Carol Murphy

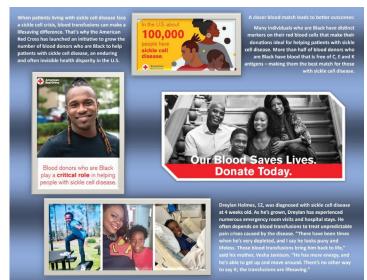
This special event will highlight the women who led API from the conception of the organization, to where it is today. Liberated Leadership will benefit API leadership development programs. This event is a part of our 40th anniversary celebration, 40 Forward. www.alicepaul.org

American Red Cross Blood Drive

There will be an American Red Cross Blood Drive taking place on Friday, March 8th from 12:00- 5:00 PM.

The blood drive will take place at the Mount Laurel Community Center. Be sure to make your appointment here https://www.redcrossblood.org/ and enter code BODML.

African American blood donors are particularly important to help those with sickle cell disease. To those living with the disease, blood transfusions can make a lifesaving difference. The Diversity & Inclusion Board would like to encourage all individuals to participate.



SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE



MARCH 8, 2024 12PM-5PM MOUNT LAUREL COMMUNITY MEETING CENTER 100 MOUNT LAUREL RD MT LAUREL, NJ

MAKE YOUR APPOINTMENT TODAY: VISIT REDCROSSBLOOD.ORG AND ENTER SPONSOR CODE: BODML

Spring Sport Registration

MLU Soccer is currently registering for the Spring 2024 season!

Registration will run through February 25, 2024. To learn more please visit www.mlusoccer.org



MOUNT LAUREL TOWNSHIP 2024 EVENT SCHEDULE

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Senior Luncheon	Wednesday, February 14 th	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Mt. Laurel Community Center 100 Mount Laurel Rd.
Ramadan Celebration	Saturday, March 2 nd	5:00 PM	Mt. Laurel Community Center 100 Mount Laurel Rd.
Free Rabies Clinic – Dogs/Cats	Thursday, March 21 st	3:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Mount Laurel Public Works Garage 100 Mount Laurel Rd.
Greek Independence Day	Saturday, March 23 rd	2:00 PM	Laurel Acres Park 1045 S. Church St.
Clean Up Day	Saturday, April 20 th	9:00 AM -12:00 PM	Laurel Acres Park - Pavilion 1045 S. Church Street
Mount Laurel Shred Event	Saturday, April 27 th	9:00 AM -12:00 PM	Mt. Laurel Police Garage 100 Mount Laurel Rd.
Veteran's Luncheon	Thursday, May 16 th	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Laurel Acres Park 1045 S. Church Street
Memorial Day Tribute	Thursday, May 23 rd	6:00 PM	Laurel Acres Park 1045 S. Church Street
Juneteenth Celebration	Wednesday, June 19 th	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Laurel Acres Park 1045 S. Church St
Ice Cream & Summer Movie – Elemental	Thursday, June 27 th	Movie Begins at Dusk	Laurel Acres Park 1045 S. Church Street
4 th of July Celebration – Emergency Services Night (Fire, EMS, Police)	Wednesday, July 3 rd	5:30 PM – 8:00 PM	Laurel Acres Park 1045 S. Church Street
4 th of July Fireworks	Wednesday, July 3 rd	Dusk, approx. 9:00 PM	Laurel Acres Park 1045 S. Church Street
Summer Concert Series – TBD – Sponsored by Mount Laurel Library	Thursday, July 11 th	6:30 PM – 8:00 PM	Laurel Acres Park 1045 S. Church Street
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Summer Concert Series – TBD – Sponsored by Mount Laurel Township	Thursday, July 25 th	6:30 PM – 8:00 PM	Laurel Acres Park 1045 S. Church Street
Mount Laurel Shred Event	Saturday, August 24 th	9:00 AM- 12:00 PM	Mt. Laurel Police Garage 100 Mount Laurel Rd.
Movie in the Park – The Book of Life	Friday, September 20 th	Movies begins at Dusk	Laurel Acres Park 1045 S. Church Street
Food Truck Festival	Sunday, September 29 th	12:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Mount Laurel Municipal Complex 100 Mount Laurel Rd.
Veteran's Luncheon	Thursday, November 7 th	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Mt. Laurel Municipal Court Room 750 Centerton Road
Mount Laurel Tree Lighting	Friday, December 6 th	5:00 PM – 8:00PM	Rancocas Woods
Senior Luncheon	Tuesday, December 10 th	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Mt. Laurel Community Center 100 Mount Laurel Rd.
Menorah Lighting Ceremony	Thursday, December 26 th	7:00 PM	Rancocas Woods

The Township would like to thank these sponsors for their continued support of these Mount Laurel Events





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Municipal Contacts

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100 Mount Laurel Road	
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Mount Laurel Fire Department	
69 Elbo Lane	
	(Headquarters)
Mount Laurel EMS	
201 Masonville Road	
Mount Laurel Library	
100 Walt Whitman Avenue	
Tax Assessor's Office	
750 Centerton Road	856-234-0001 Ext 1256
Municipal Court Office	
100 Mount Laurel Road	
Public Works	
750 Centerton Road	856-234-0001 Ext 1241

Mount Laurel Post Office
200 Walt Whitman Avenue 800-275-8777
Municipal Utilities Authority
1201 South Church Street 856-234-0062
Housing - Rentals
750 Centerton Road 856-234-0001 Ext 1224
Tax Collector's Office
750 Centerton Road856-234-0001 Ext 1283
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750 Centerton Road
Clerk's Office
750 Centerton Road
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Dog/Cat licensingExt 1235



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