



**Events by, for and of interest to older residents.
Open to residents of both towns, and free unless
otherwise noted.**

December 2018

Go to our website for detailed and up-to-date information:

www.SOMATwotownsforallages.org

Holiday Guide

Enjoy all the holiday events and festivities around South Orange and Maplewood, and don't forget to bring your Classic Card to enjoy discounts on shopping and restaurants.

Saturday, December 1

- Dickens Village, Ricalton Square, Maplewood Village. Activities 1 – 4:30pm

Sunday, December 2

- The Bizarre Bazaar, The Woodland, 10am-4pm
- Holiday Boutique, South Orange Library 1 - 5 pm. Buy lovely gifts made by local artisans and help benefit the South Orange Public Library. 65 Scotland Road
- Menorah Lighting, Spiotta Park, South Orange, 5pm

Tuesday, December 4 at 7:30PM

- Seton Hall University Choral Program Annual Winter Concert at SOPAC
- Free Admission (Reservations Recommended) Box Office: (973) 313-2787

Saturday, December 8

- Dickens Village, Ricalton Square, Maplewood Village. Activities 1 – 4 pm
- Holiday Gathering, The Gazebo on Springfield Ave, 3 - 4:30pm
- South Orange Tree Lighting, 76 South Orange Ave., 5:15pm

Sunday, December 9

- Durand-Hedden House, 1 - 4 pm, Annual Gingerbread House competitions, 'Jolly Old St. Nick' and Holiday Shopping.
- Interested in being a contestant? Mark your calendars to enter by December 8. See www.durandhedden.org for details and entry form.

Saturday, December 15

- Dickens Village, Ricalton Square, Maplewood Village. Activities 1 – 4 pm

Sunday, December 16

- Free Chanukah Concert, 2 - 3 pm, JCC Metrowest Theater 760 Northfield Ave, W. Orange.
- Performing light & light-hearted Jewish music to lift the spirit. For more information contact barbaram@jchcorp.org or www.kol-dodi.org

South Orange Coat & Toy Drive

Please consider donating a gently worn, clean coat or a new, unwrapped toy. Donations can be dropped off through December 7 at The Village Clerk's office (76 South Orange Ave Suite 302), The Baird or The UPS Store (4 South Orange Ave.)

The Maplewood Police Department Holiday Toy Drive for Maplewood families in need.

Please donate new unwrapped toys and bring a smile to a child this holiday season!! Toys can be dropped off until December 14 at Maplewood P.D 1618 Springfield Ave; Maplewood Town Hall; Gleason's Cleaners (7 West Parker Ave); Village Coffee Shop (164 Maplewood Ave) or East Side Fitness (1865 Springfield Ave.)

The General Store Holiday Pop-up Store will be located at 14 South Orange Avenue. Hours until December 23: Friday & Saturdays 10am-8pm, Sundays 10am-4pm.

Thursday, November 29

Slavic Dancing Bonanza, Seton Hall University Slavic Club, Walsh Library, 6:30 pm

- Slavic food will be served
- For disability services, call 973-275-5875 prior to the event

Friday, November 30

Deadline for Homestead Rebate filing

- Apply by phone: 1-877-658-2972, online: www.State.NJ.US/treasury/taxation.

Sunday, December 2

Friends of South Orange Library Holiday Sale, South Orange Library, 1 - 5 pm

- Start your holiday shopping and support the library at this annual craft and gift sale

Monday, December 3

Computer Classes, South Orange Library, 10 am

- Drop -in, any subject
- Beginners welcome!

Tuesday, December 4

Seton Hall University Choral Program Annual Winter Concert, SOPAC, 7:30 pm

- A staple of the holiday season, The Seton University Chorus, Chamber Choir, Orchestra and the Seton Hall University Concert Band
- Free but reservations are recommended.
- Box Office: (973) 313-2787

"Impulsive & Compulsive Behaviors," Arden Court Memory Care, 510 Prospect Ave, W. Orange

- 5:30 dinner, 6 - 8 presentation
- free and open to all, rsvp to (973) 736-3100 x 205

Wednesday, December 5

South Orange Senior Bus goes to Essex Green Shopping Plaza in West Orange.

- Departs the Baird at 10 am
- Regular service will be provided in the afternoon.
- Call (973) 378-7754 x1

Pottery Class, Maplewood Senior Center, 1 pm

- If you like to get your hands a little dirty - this class is for you!
- \$20, register at (973) 763-0750

Read Around the World (Malaysia), Maplewood Main Library, 7 pm

- "Evening is the Whole Day" by Preeta Samarasan

Wednesday at the Movies, South Orange Library, 1 - 3 pm

Maplewood Senior Bus goes to the Mall

- Call (973) 763-5287

Thursday, December 6

Coding for Moms (and other grownups), Maplewood Main Library, 10:30 am

- Learn about programming in a relaxed and non-intimidating setting.

Menorah Lighting, Ricalton Square, 6:15 pm

Elder Law, Maplewood Main Library, 6:30 pm

- Strategies and tools to protect your savings and estate and preserve your legacy.

South Orange Library Lecture Series, South Orange Library, 1pm

- Speaker: Maria Masucci, Prof of Anthropology at Drew University
- Topic: Ancient Sea Travellers

Friday, December 7

Conversation about Antiques, Maplewood Senior Center, 1 pm

Saturday, December 8

Yarn and Fiber Arts Group, Maplewood Main Library, 10 - noon

- A gathering for people who knit, crochet, quilt, sew, embroider & other creative things with yarn & fabric.

HOLIDAY CELEBRATION, The Gazebo on Springfield Ave, 3 - 4:30 pm

- Music & more at this annual Holiday gathering

Sunday, December 9

Celebrate the Season at Durand Hedden House, 1 - 4 pm

- All ages will enjoy the 2018 display of inventive entries to the annual Durand-Hedden Gingerbread House Competition.
- Interested in being a contestant? Enter by Dec. 8. See www.durandhedden.org for details

La Cinematheque Film Club, Burgdorff Center for the Performing Arts, 2 - 5 pm

- La Promessee (1996), Belgium; Jean-Pierre Dardenne, Luc Dardenne
- \$15 at the door

Monday, December 10

Professionals in Transition, Hilton Branch, 10 am

Maplewood Garden Club Presents “Flower Arranging Naturally”, Maplewood Main Library, 7:30 pm

- Lorraine Kiefer has been gardening and designing floral arrangements for more than 30 years. Join Maplewood Garden Club on Monday, December 10, at 7:30 p.m. at Maplewood Memorial Library, 51 Baker Street, Maplewood, when Lorraine will share her knowledge

Try Something New, South Orange Library, 1pm

Wednesday, December 12

South Orange Senior Bus goes to Jersey Gardens Mall, Departs from The Baird, 10 am - 3 pm

- Advance registration by 12 noon the prior day is required, minimum number of 6 must be registered for the trip to take place.
- Call (973) 378-7754 x1

Adult Health Screenings, Maplewood Main Library, 10:30 am - noon

- Blood pressure and carotid bruit screening, medication, weight & health counseling,

Creative Writing Workshop, South Orange Library, 1 pm

- Just bring pen and paper and enjoy writing

Maplewood Senior Bus goes to Home Depot

- Call (973) 763-5287

Maplewood Community Music Annual Winter Concert, The Woodland, 7:30pm

- Woodwinds, brass and percussion present the sounds of the season
- Snow date December 19

Thursday, December 13

Classic and Contemporary Book Discussion Group, Maplewood Main Library, 7 pm

- "Manhattan Beach" by Jennifer Egan

Adult Health Screenings, Maplewood Town Hall, 10am - noon

- Blood pressure and carotid bruit screening, medication, weight & health counseling,

South Orange Library Lecture Series, South Orange Library, 1pm

- Speaker: John Wargacki, Prof of English SHU
- Topic: A Season of Light

Friday, December 14

Holiday Party, Maplewood Senior Center, 11 am

- \$7, rsvp to (973) 763-0750

Sunday, December 16

Free Chanukah Concert, JCC Metrowest Theater, 2 - 3 pm

- Performing light & light-hearted Jewish music to lift the spirit.
- For more information contact barbaram@jchcorp.org or www.kol-dodi.org

Monday, December 17

Computer Classes, South Orange Library, 10 am

- Microsoft word basics, beginners welcome!

Savvy Caregiving for Boomers, Maplewood Main Library, 7 pm

- Be prepared for the tricky emotional, legal, residential, medical and financial issues that arise when caregiving becomes a necessity.

Tuesday, December 18

Trip to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse with the Maplewood Senior Center

- \$68 per person; (973) 763-0750

Wednesday, December 19

Wednesday at the Movies, South Orange Library, 1 - 3 pm

- Mamma Mia: Here We Go Again

Maplewood Senior Bus goes to the Mall

- Call (973) 763-5287

South Orange Senior Bus goes to Target and Whole Foods shopping center

- departs the Baird at 10 am
- Call (973) 378-7754 x1

Thursday, December 20

South Orange Senior Circle Annual Holiday Lunch, Bella Italia Restaurant, 535 Central Ave, Orange, 11am

- Member \$22.00, non-member \$25.00
- Reservations required. Contact Jeanne Laracy at (973) 762- 8534
- Make out checks to S.O. Senior Circle and send to J. Laracy at 340 Clark St. South Orange, 07079

South Orange Library Lecture Series, South Orange Library, 1pm

- Annual Holiday Party

Saturday, December 22

All Day Holiday Music Festival, United Methodist Church, 150 South Orange Ave.

- Noon – The Bufford School of Music Holiday Concert, \$5.00
- 3:00 pm – The Music of Billie Holiday, \$15.00
- 7:00pm - The Music of Stevie Wonder, \$20.00

Wednesday, December 26

Creative Writing Workshop, South Orange Library, 1pm

Thursday, December 27

South Orange Library Lecture Series, South Orange Library, 1pm

- No program

Looking way ahead:

See “Tootsie” on Broadway with The Maplewood Senior Center!

Wednesday, April 17, 2019. Enjoy the matinee performance of this new musical comedy based on the hit movie. Bus departs the Dehart Community Center at 10:30 am and will return around 5:30/6 pm. \$111 per person includes ticket and bus. Lunch is on your own at any of the restaurants near the Marquis Theater.

Spaces limited, so register now at (973) 763-0750 or online at:

<https://MAPLEWOOD.RECDESK.COM/COMMUNITY/PROGRAM>

Location Guide:

The Baird – 5 Mead St, S. Orange (973) 378-7754

Burgdorff Center – 10 Durand Rd, Maplewood

Dehart Community Center – 120 Burnett Ave, Maplewood (973) 763- 0750

Durrand-Hedden House - 523 Ridgewood Rd, Maplewood

Maplewood Main Library – 51 Baker St., Maplewood (973) 762-1622

Maplewood Hilton Library – 1688 Springfield Ave., Maplewood (973) 762-1688

Maplewood Senior Center – 106 Burnett Ave., Maplewood (973) 763- 0750

Maplewood Municipal Building – 574 Valley St., Maplewood, (973) 762-8120

The Pierro Gallery – inside the Baird, 5 Mead St., S. Orange (973) 378-7754

South Orange Library – 65 Scotland Rd., S. Orange (973) 762- 0230

South Orange Village Hall – 76 S. Orange Ave., (973) 378-7715

The Woodland - 60 Woodland Rd., Maplewood

Winchester Gardens – 333 Elmwood Ave., Maplewood (973) 762-5050

If you would like to receive information, mailings and emails from SOMA Two towns for all ages, or post an event in our calendar, please email Crowe@twp.maplewood.nj.us or leave a message at (973) 762-8120 x 4005.