

GTWorks is Mayor David R. Mayer's weekly newsletter that informs residents of the current projects and events happening in Gloucester Township.

From the Police Department to Public Works to the Department of Recreation, we want you to stay In the Know of the latest news in our community!



POLICE

February 23, 2017

Newly sworn in officers

The Township congratulates 10 outstanding officers



PUBLIC WORKS

Sealing road cracks

Workers use Asphalt Sealer to prevent water fom going under roadways



RECREATION

TBAA Registration

Open

TBAA Youth Soccer seek players!

Gloucester Township Takes

Lead in Addressing Opioid

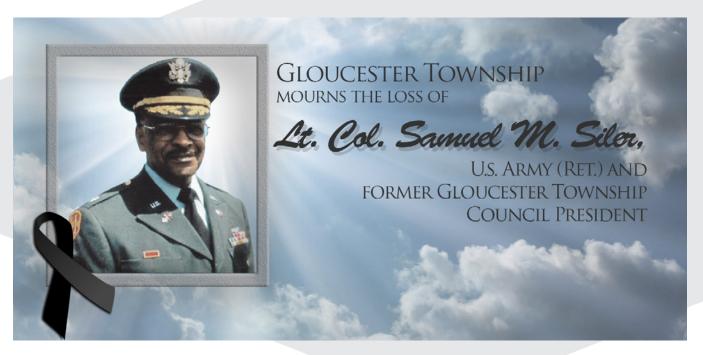
Epidemic

The community of Gloucester Township recognizes the national epidemic of opioid addiction and has been taking proactive steps to address this disease that affects so many lives and families.

In 2014 Gloucester Township became the first community in Camden County to train and equip its police officers with Noloxane (Narcan). In addition to that, Gloucester Township became the first municipality in New Jersey to place a drug counselor in its municipal court.

The project SAVE initiative stands for Substance Abuse Victimization Effort and focuses on three critical areas of law enforcement: Suppression, Prevention, and Intervention in order to impact the "now" and the "future" of the addiction problem. (continued on p.2)





Gloucester Township mourns the loss of of Lt. Col. Samuel M. Siler (Ret.) on February 19, 2017. Sam served for many years as a member of Gloucester Township Council from Feb. 22, 1988 to Dec. 31, 2001, where he held the office of President from July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000, and again as a Council Member from Jan. 2, 2012 to Dec. 31, 2015. Sam dedicated much of his time to the community as an active member and participant of various service organizations, activities and projects throughout Gloucester Township and Camden County. Sam was an important part of the communit and the Gloucester Township family, and he will be sorely missed.

Viewings will be held on Monday, Feb. 27th, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM, and Tuesday, Feb. 28th, 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM, at Bethel Church Blackwood (1583 Blackwood-Clementon Rd., Blackwood, NJ 08012). Services will follow at 11:00 AM on Tuesday. Interment will take place at a later date at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA. In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory would be appreciated to either the D.A.V. (Disabled American Veteran's), or to the Wounded Warrior Project. Condolences and memories may be shared at www.earlefuneralhome.com

Gloucester Township Takes Lead in Addressing Opioid Epidemic (continued)

Another successful initiative piloted by Gloucester Township has been GT PIER program – Gloucester Township Prevention Information Enforcement Roundtable. GT PIER develops partnerships with pharmacies and doctors, installs permanent prescription drug disposal boxes, enforces enhanced penalties for drug crimes in certain areas, assigns officers to the Drug Enforcement Administration, and increases police operations targeted at illegal drug usage and distribution.

And recently the Black Horse Pike Regional School District became the first school district in Camden County to add Noloxane (commonly known as Narcan) training and rescue kits to each of its high schools.

"Every day communities all across this nation are facing the devastating effects of drug addiction. Here in Gloucester Township we are taking important and innovative steps to fight the disease of addiction in hopes of saving lives, changing families, and reducing crime, "stated Mayor David Mayer.

GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP

Extending lifespan of roadways in the Township



Above is the Township Asphalt Crack Sealer. It holds about 200 gallons of a rubberized seal-ant that is heated to 350 to 400 degrees Fahrenheit. The sealant substance is applied so water cannot penetrate into the surface under the asphalt. If water seeps into the crack in cold weather conditions it creates a soft spot in the asphalt which in return causes pot holes to form. Also an unsealed crack makes vegetation grow and the plant root pushing the pavement up creates even more damage. The sealant extends the life of the asphalt surface. Residents could have recently observed the Asphalt Crack Sealer in the Erial Section of Town.

ATTENTION DOG AND CAT OWNERS

Please renew your dog or cat license. Licenses RENEWED after March 31st will incur a \$15 late fee. the Township needs to see a copy of an updated rabies certificate. Renewal license may be obtained in person or by mail. Hours of licensing are Mon-Thurs. 8am-5pm. For mail-ins: Township of Gloucester - Dog Licensing PO Box 8, Blackwood, NJ 08012. Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope along with your check made payable to: Township of Gloucester. Fee: spayed or neutered - \$21; Non-spayed or non-neutered - \$24. (add a \$15 late fee when renewing after 3/31)



THE TOWNSHIP CONGRATULATES THE NEW SWORN IN POLICE OFFICERS

On Monday, February 13th, 2017 Chief Harry Earle presented 10 Officers to Mayor David Mayer and the Council to be ceremoniously promoted to the rank of Captain of Police, Lieutenant of Police, Sergeant of Police and Police Officer.

The following Officers were promoted:

- Lt. Brian McKendry promoted to Captain
- Lt. Brendan Barton promoted to Captain
- Sgt. James Schriver promoted to Lieutenant
- Ptl. Jason Sailor promoted to Sergeant
- Ptl. Lisa Hatcher promoted to Sergeant
- Ptl. Frank Pace promoted to Sergeant

In addition, the following Officers were sworn in as Police Officers:

- Ptl. Evan Thistle
- Ptl. Gregory Flynn
- Ptl. Mathew Krol
- Ptl. Doug Pickard

The ceremony took place during the regularly scheduled Municipal Council Meeting at 7:30 pm in the Municipal Council Room. Gloucester Township Police Department-thanks everyone who came out to support them!

Gloucester Township Celebrates Black History Month

Black History Month, or National African American History Month, is an annual celebration of achievements by black Americans and a time for recognizing the central role of African Americans in U.S. history.

Every February, Gloucester Township Mayor and Council celebrate Black History Month by honoring outstanding African American members of our community.

The event is taking place on Monday, Feb. 27, during the council meeting.



TBAA Youth Soccer Registration is open

The Timber Birch Athletic Association (TBAA) was founded in 1964 and today has over 1,000 players participating in the recreation and travel programs. The Club is a volunteer, non-profit association, administered by elected officers and an appointed Executive Board. TBAA provides both an Intramural program for younger players and a Travel program that offer very competitive teams that can accommodate players with a wide range of skill levels.

TBAA is affiliated with the New Jersey State Youth Soccer Association and is an Open Club so all players are welcome!

To register please visit www.tbaa.n



ARTS IN GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP



SUMMER STAGE AT MAINSTAGE CENTER FOR THE ARTS continues to be the largest summer theatre camp, with the largest number of programs, the most staff, the highest number of return participants, and some of the lowest prices around! Located on the beautiful Camden County College campus in Blackwood section of Gloucester Township, with an intimate theatre, quality food service, free parking, professional 24/7 security, and easy access, it is easy to see why thousands of parents have entrusted their children each summer to the care of Mainstage Center for the Arts' Summer Stage program!

Hurry up and register by Wednesday, March 1st and get the largest early-bird discounts!

Let's Keep In Touch!

As your Mayor, I'm eager to hear from you should you have questions or concerns; so please do not hesitate to call my office at (856) 374-3514 or email me at dmayer@glotwp.com

I'd like to thank you for choosing our beautiful Gloucester Township your residence and for making our community a great place to live, work and play!

Sincerely,











