

*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!*

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## Happy Thanksgiving!

Mayor Mayer and Council wishes you and your family a Happy Thanksgiving!



## KICK OFF THE HOLIDAY SEASON AT THE 29TH ANNUAL BLACKWOOD FIRE CHRISTMAS PARADE

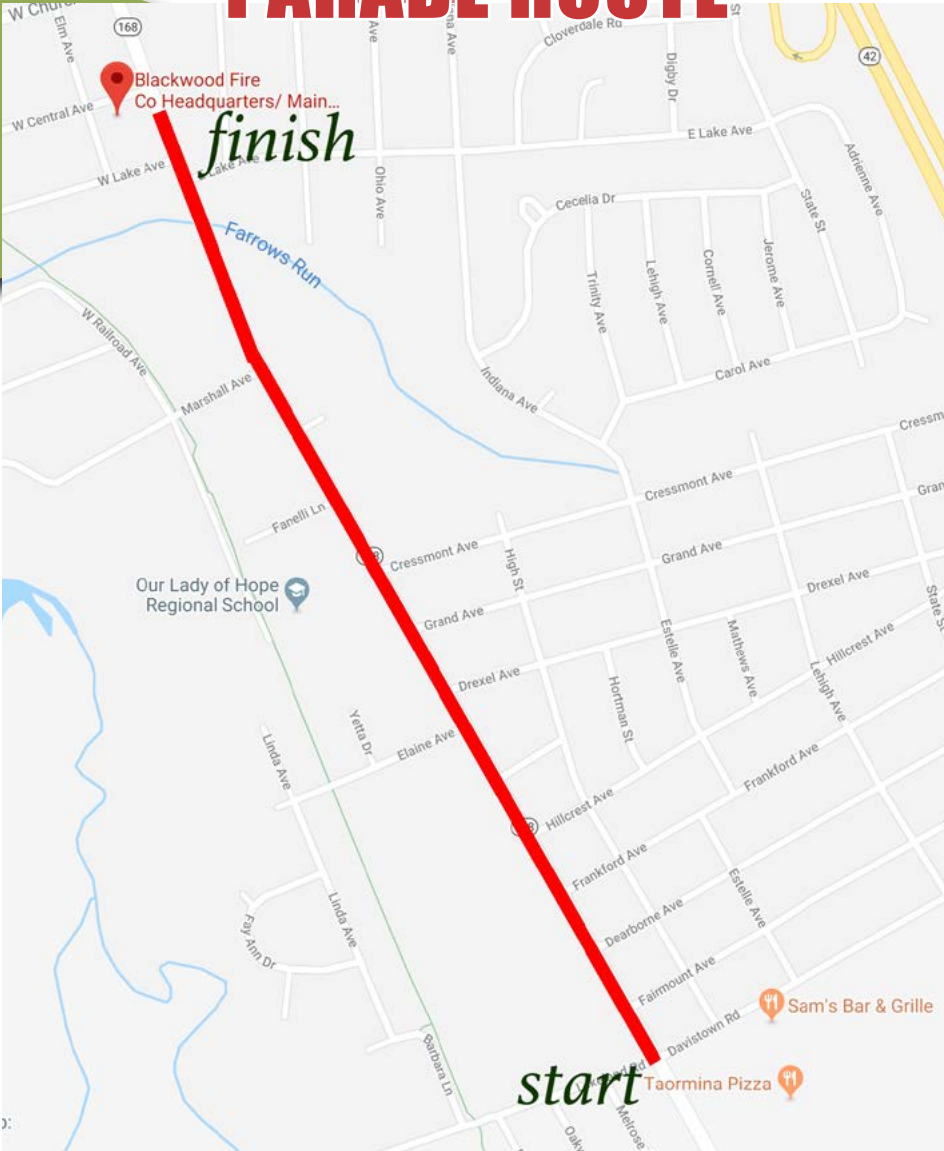
In the spirit of the season, we invite you to the Blackwood Fire Company's 29th Annual Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 2nd at 6:00 pm. The theme of this parade is "Christmas Around the World." The parade will begin at the intersection of Black Horse Pike and Davistown Road, then proceed north to Blackwood Fire Company where there will be hot chocolate, cookies and photos with Santa.

This event is expected to draw thousands of residents, ready to officially kick off the holiday season and we hope that you will join us! For more information about this event please click below.

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# PARADE ROUTE



The Blackwood Fire Christmas Parade will start at the intersection of Black Horse Pike and Davistown Road and will end at the Blackwood Fire Company.



## Make the Season Bright TREE LIGHTING

Come out for a night of free, family-fun at the Gloucester Premium Outlets on Friday, December 1st at 6:00 pm! They will have a tree lighting ceremony and a very special arrival of Santa. Enjoy live caroling performances from Mainstage Center for the Arts and special giveaways from your favorite retailers and local businesses. We hope to see you there!


## Mayor's Toy Drive

All schools, businesses and organizations are invited to donate new toys for this worthy activity! Toys can be brought to the Mayor's office in the Gloucester Township Municipal Building (1261 Chews Landing Rd). Distribution of the toys will begin the week of December 11th.



# "BOOKING IT" WITH THE GTPD

Does your child love to read? Would they like to meet a police officer? If so bring them to the Gloucester Township Police Department Family Resource Center on December 15th. The GTPD is partnering with The Center For Family Services for a Family-Fun Reading Event! Officers will read short stories to the children. There will be free refreshments and each child attending will receive free books! RSVP to David at: (609) 238-0685.




## "Booking It" With Police


December 15<sup>th</sup> 2017 from 4-5pm  
GTPD Family Resource Center  
1324 Little Gloucester Rd  
Blackwood, NJ 08012

The Gloucester Township Police Department is partnering with  
The Center For Family Services for a Family Fun Reading Event

- Officers will read short stories to the children
- Free cookies and hot chocolate will be served
- Each child attending will receive 2 free books



RSVP to David at:  
609-238-0685 or  
David.scolari@centerffs.org



# Mainstage's Holiday Concert & Family Festival Makes a Perfect Holiday Treat



Gather up the family and enjoy Mainstage Center for the Arts' delightful holiday concert featuring Harmony and Encore Show Choirs, Mainstage Dance Company, and Musical Theatre Company. This event takes place Saturday, December 16, at 7:00 pm and Sunday, December 17, at 2:00 pm.

Doors open one hour before each concert for fun holiday activities, including visits with Santa, ornament making, and a cookie sale!

Tickets will be available soon at [mainstage.org](http://mainstage.org)

*This event is sponsored by TMT Towing and Bob's Garage.*



**Don't Spoil the Holidays:  
Put Food Safety on the Menu!**

The kickoff to the holidays is about to begin with Thanksgiving on deck. Besides spending time with family, the next best thing about the holidays is of course – EATING! Unfortunately, there are dangers that lurk in the kitchen and home that can spoil the holidays.

If at any time during the preparing/cooking process you are uncertain of something or think a food poisoning situation may have occurred, don't hesitate to get help. Call the NJ Poison Control Center unless the person is unconscious, not breathing, hard to wake up, or seizing then call 9-1-1. Save the Poison Help number (1-800-222-1222) as a contact in your cell phone and visit <http://www.njpies.org> for more information.

## CAROUSEL SCHEDULE

Get in the holiday spirit and enjoy rides while they are in town December 8th-10th at Veterans Park! Rides are FREE!

FRI	12.08	FROM 5:00 - 8:00 PM
SAT	12.09	FROM 12:00 - 8:00 PM
SUN	12.10	FROM 1:00 - 9:00 PM

RIDES ARE FREE!



Come see Santa & enjoy bagels, donuts, refreshments, fun & games from 10:00 am- 12:00 pm on December 9th at the Recreation Center. Bring your camera and get your picture taken with Santa. This event is FREE! Please bring a new, unwrapped toy for a child in need.

*Children must be accompanied by an adult.*



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# Fire Safety Tips to Follow this Thanksgiving Holiday

According to the U.S. Fire Administration (USFA), cooking is the main cause of home fires. Also, the peak day for home cooking fires is Thanksgiving Day.

Keep your holiday safe and fun by following these tips from the USFA:

- Stay in the kitchen when you are frying, boiling, grilling, or broiling food. If you leave the kitchen, turn off the burner.
- Watch what you are cooking. Fires start when the heat is too high. If you see any smoke or the grease starts to boil, turn the burner off.
- If you simmer, bake, or roast food, check it regularly and use a timer to remind you.
- Keep anything that can catch fire (oven mitts, wooden utensils, food

packages, towels, and curtains) away from your stovetop.

- Turn pot handles toward the back of the stove. Then, no one can bump them or pull them over.
- Keep a pan lid or baking sheet nearby. Use it to cover the pan if it catches fire. This will put the fire out.
- In the event of an oven fire, turn off the oven and keep the door closed until it is cool.
- Keep children away from the stove. The stove will be hot, and kids should stay three feet away.
- Make sure your smoke alarms are working. Test them by pushing the test button.



## HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Mayor David R. Mayer and Council wishes you a very happy Thanksgiving filled with warmth, happiness, family and friends!



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## 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](mailto: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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David R. Mayer".



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