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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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Gloucester Twp is Silver-Certified!

Sustainable Jersey representatives announced on Tuesday, October 31st that Gloucester Township has met the rigorous requirements to achieve Sustainable Jersey certification. Gloucester Township is one of only 14 New Jersey municipalities that have attained certification at the silver-level in 2017. Gloucester Township will be honored at the Sustainable Jersey Awards Luncheon on Tuesday, November 14 in Atlantic City with Mayor David Mayer accepting the award.

"It's an honor for us to be silver-certified for the third time since 2012. In recent years Gloucester Township has introduced several 'green' initiatives that positively impacted the environment and the well-being of our residents. We are



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PAGE 2 No-Shave November

GTPD is proud to be participating in this charitable event during the month of November.



PAGE 3 Ghost Tours

Come out to Gabriel Daveis Tavern this weekend for Ghost Tours at this old historical landmark.



PAGE 4 Senior Thanksgiving Luncheon

Members of the Hider Lane Senior Group celebrated Thanksgiving early with their annual Annual Luncheon.

Gloucester Township Receives Silver Certification from Sustainable Jersey

thrilled that Sustainable Jersey recognizes these efforts and rewards municipalities that do so much to conserve resources and be efficient overall," said Mayor David R. Mayer.

SUSTAINABLE

To become Sustainable Jersey certified at the silver-level, Gloucester Township submitted documentation to show it had completed a balance of the required sustainability actions. In addition to reaching 350 points, each community had to create a green team and select at least three out of twelve priority action options. Gloucester Township did 3 priority actions by completing: 1) energy tracking & management, 2) energy efficiency for municipal facilities, 3) prescription drug safety and disposal.

"Sustainable Jersey is proud of the 70 New Jersey towns that achieved certification this year," said Randy Solomon, director of Sustainable Jersey. "The 208 Sustainable Jersey certified towns demonstrate leadership and are a testament to how much we can accomplish toward the long-term goal of a sustainable New Jersey." Certified towns excelled in areas such as improving energy efficiency and health and wellness, reducing waste, sustaining local economies, protecting natural resources and advancing the arts. Collectively, the 445 participating Sustainable Jersey towns are a powerful force in New Jersey. Sustainable Jersey provides tools, training and financial incentives to support communities as they pursue sustainability programs. Currently, 79% or 445 of New Jersey's

565 municipalities are participating in the municipal certification program and 279 school districts and 694 schools are participating in the Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification program. Sustainable Jersey's partners include the New Jersey State League of Municipalities, Sustainability Institute at The College of New Jersey, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Clean Energy Program. Program underwriters include the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation, New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Clean Energy Program and the Surdna Foundation. The 2017 Sustainable Jersey Grants program for municipalities is funded by PSEG Foundation and the Gardinier Environmental Fund, South Jersey Gas, PSEG and New Jersey Natural Gas are Platinum Sponsors. NJM Insurance Group is a Gold Sponsor, Bayshore Recycling is a Silver Sponsor, and our Bronze Sponsors are Covanta, Greener by Design, Tesla, AT&T and Elizabethtown Gas. The Sustainability Summit venue sponsors are Good Energy, Investors Bank and Church & Dwight.

No-Shave November



From November 1, 2017 through November 30, 2017, the Gloucester Township Police Department in collaboration with Gloucester Township FOP Lodge 206 will be conducting a fund raiser for "No-Shave November".

If you are not familiar with "No-Shave November", it is a campaign held annually from November 1st to November 30th to raise money and awareness for men's health such as prostate cancer and testicular cancer. During the month of November, participants forgo shaving in order to evoke conversation regarding cancer and raise money for cancer research, education, and prevention. That money goes to various organizations such as but not limited to the American Cancer Society, St. Jude Children's Hospital, and Prevent Cancer Foundation.

The Gloucester Township Police Department is proud to be participating in this worthwhile cause.

In order for officers to participate they are required to donate \$25.00. Participants are encouraged to solicit friends and family to donate to the cause by going to the "No Shave November" website.



and you will be able to donate directly to our organizations fundraising efforts!



HAPPY HALLOWEEN!



Everyone had a great time at Gloucester Township's Fourth Annual Trunk-or-Treat this past weekend! 61 vehicles registered to hand out candy, while thousands of residents attended this fun-filled event. We hope to see you there next year!



Happy Halloween from the Community Development & Construction Departments!

Have kids who love to sing, dance, and perform?

Register Them for The Young Americans Turn Up the Music Workshop & Show! They'll Have an Amazing Time!

Workshop: November 9 – 11 (NJ Teachers' Convention Dates) Show: November 11, 7 pm Camden County College, Blackwood, NJ



THE YOUNG AMERICANS

Students in grades 3 through 12 of all skill levels will learn from this internationally-acclaimed group in a workshop covering everything from vocal techniques and dance to improv, and more. Then, they'll perform alongside them in a fun, high-energy variety show!

Register and purchase show tickets at www.mainstage.org
Info: (856) 302-6485

GHOST TOURS AT GABRIEL DAVEIS TAVERN



Where: Gabriel Daveis Tavern When: Saturday, November 4th 8:00 pm - midnight Cost: \$40 / person

Mayor's Toy Drive

Mayor David Mayer is pleased to announce the annual *Mayor*'s *Toy Drive* for the children of Gloucester Township. All schools, businesses and organizations are invited to donate new toys for this worthy activity. Toys can be brought to the Mayor's office starting November 20th. Distribution of the toys will begin the week of December 11th.



Hider Lane Senior Group Thanksgiving Luncheon

Members of the Hider Lane Senior Group already kicked off the holiday season by celebrating Thanksgiving early. On Thursday, November 2nd they had their Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon at the Senior Center on Chews Landing Road.

Each member enjoyed a traditional turkey dinner and a slice of pumpkin pie! We wish our Senior Citizens a great holiday season and can't wait to see them at the Christmas Party on December 14th!





Special thank you to the Thanksgiving Luncheon volunteer servers who made this event a success!

Mainstage Hosts HARKEN - A GAME OF PHONES

November 3rd: 7 pm November 4th: 1 and 7 pm November 5th: 1 pm



Based on the story in The Greatest Brochure in the World, Harken follows a group of ordinary folks into a fantasy world where they must fight to survive—Battling dragons, giants and more! The audience votes on the course of action with their smart phones! This exciting performance features four musical numbers, giant puppets, and a 3D set created with technology normally used to make video games. *For tickets, visit <u>www.mainstage.org</u> or call (855) 936-2467, ext. 3.*

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,

Daine R. Mayer





