

# WORKS



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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!*



## GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP CELEBRATES 35TH ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT!

On Tuesday, August 7th, residents, officers, and elected officials from Gloucester Township participated in National Night Out. National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live.

Gloucester Township National Night Out has been one of the most anticipated community events for years, becoming bigger with each year. Currently, our Township is proud to be ranked number one in the state and eighth in the entire country. This year Gloucester Township had 28 different celebrations taking place, both private and public events. There was everything from karate demonstrations to live music to cookouts and rock climbing. National Night Out is all about connecting police with the community.

"Tonight is really a focus on the community. A focus on neighbors getting out of their homes and being reacquainted with one another and meeting our police officers. It is that aspect of community policing that we really push here in Gloucester Township," said Mayor David Mayer.

"We've seen so many great results in the way the community reacts with officers and also how officers interact with the community. National Night Out is about everyone getting to know each other," said Chief Harry Earle.

A spectacular fireworks display marked the culmination of National Night Out here in Gloucester Township. Thank you to everyone who participated. We hope to see you next year!



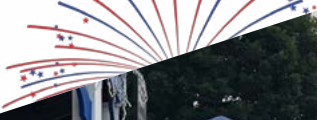
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## NEW INTERACTIVE TECHNOLOGY MAKES GOVERNMENT MORE ACCESSIBLE HERE IN GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP



Gloucester Township introduces Citibot: a text messaging tool for citizens to communicate with their local government in an easy and efficient manner!

**SIMPLY TEXT "HELLO" TO (856) 644-6414**

Gloucester Township is proud to bring Citibot to its residents. Citibot is a text messaging tool for citizens to communicate with their local government in an easy and efficient manner. Using text messages, citizens can report issues, search the Gloucester Township website, and receive notifications, while the Township provides effective customer service in return.

"Citibot is simple, conversational and more efficiently notifies the Township of residents' issues, allowing us to get the job done quicker and more proficiently. Save the Citibot number in your phone and text us if you have a question or should you need to report an issue. Citibot is another initiative that Gloucester

Township is taking to help boost citizen engagement and community involvement" says Mayor David R. Mayer. Citizens can report issues such as potholes or missed trash pick-up. The Township is then able to fix these issues and report back to the resident when complete. With Citibot, civic engagement becomes easier and government customer service becomes more effective.

Most everyone uses text messaging on their smart phone or flip phone. This two-way channel of communication connects government to where residents are comfortable communicating, helping to build relationships of trust between citizens and their municipality.

**To use Citibot in Gloucester Township, simply send a text message with the word "hello" to (856) 644-6414.**

## Family Fun Night

Join the First Presbyterian Church of Blackwood for Family Fun Night on Saturday, August 18th at 7:00 PM. This Free Community Event will include games, crafts, face painting, snacks, and a movie under the stars!



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## Meet Edward & Joseph, Boy Scouts from the UK

On Thursday, Mayor David Mayer got the privilege of meeting two Boy Scouts from the United Kingdom: Edward Lager and Joseph Dowler. Edward and Joseph are a part of the USA/UK Boy Scout Exchange Program. They are here visiting Gloucester Township resident, Michael Little. Mayor Mayer got to tell the boys a little bit about what makes our town unique and wished Edward and Joseph a pleasant stay here in Gloucester Township!



**TONIGHT! BRING YOUR BLANKETS AND CHAIRS AND JOIN US FOR MOVIE NIGHT AT VETERANS PARK! FOOD AND GAMES AVAILABLE AT 7 PM. MOVIE BEGINS AT DUSK.**

# Mark your Calendar for Gloucester Township's Second Annual Drive-In Movie

Mayor David R. Mayer and Council are excited to bring residents the second annual Drive-In Movie Night here in Gloucester Township. Last year's event was such a hit that we expect a bigger crowd this year so we are moving the Movie Night to Camden County College to accommodate even more families and fun!

The Drive-In Movie Night will be held on September 29th at 5:30 pm. Admission is free. There will be food trucks, games, a moon bounce, and a hay ride for children. The movie, Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom, will begin at dusk. In case of bad weather, the rain date will be Saturday, October 6th.

"We're so excited that we brought the tradition of drive-in movies back to Gloucester Township. We were so pleased with the turnout of last year's event that we're setting the bar even higher this year! Our goal for this event is to bring residents of all ages together to enjoy a traditional American pass time," says Mayor Mayer.



**DRIVE-IN  
MOVIE NIGHT**

**SEPTEMBER 29th at Camden County College**

**The event begins at 5:30 pm / Movie begins at dusk**  
**Food trucks and games / Free admission!**

**JURASSIC WORLD  
FALLEN KINGDOM**

**PG-13**

**PRESENTED BY**  
**Mayor David R. Mayer and Council**

**RAIN DATE 10/6/18. For more information please call 856-374-3514 or visit [www.glotwp.com](http://www.glotwp.com)**

## TEAM HINES BASKETBALL CAMP



Team Hines Basketball Academy (THBA) was founded by Kyle Hines and Rich Bolds right here in Gloucester Township in 2011. Today, seven years later, their basketball camp has grown exponentially. Team Hines' program is dedicated exclusively to the development of amateur student-athletes to promote the principles of Teamwork, Physical Health, Sportsmanship, Discipline and Spirituality.

On Thursday, August 9th, Mayor Mayer paid a visit to Timber Creek High School to see the skills that Coach Hines and the players have been working on all week.

Team Hines' Camp runs for four weeks, Monday-Thursday, from 9 AM - 3:30 PM. It is open to both boys and girls ages seven through sixteen.

If your child is interested in attending Team Hines' camp next year, look out for their "Early Bird Registration" for the best rates.

**LEARN MORE**



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# LOCAL BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

*Local Business Spotlight is a new section in GTWorks that highlights local businesses throughout Gloucester Township. Its primary purpose is to promote local small businesses by giving the readers opportunity to get to know more about local eateries and services available to them in our beautiful Gloucester Township!*

## THE BEST TOMATO PIE SOUTH OF HEAVEN!

Holy Tomato, situated on the Black Horse Pike in downtown Blackwood, is one of Gloucester Township's gems. The owner, Terri, and her three daughters have made Holy Tomato into one of South Jersey's most beloved pizzerias. However, they don't just serve pizza -- they also offer fresh salads and homemade desserts!

Holy Tomato is known for their quirky decor and fun atmosphere. They were also the recipient of the 2016 Small Business Award at the Gloucester Township Business Breakfast.

"We truly love what we do and we genuinely want our customers to have a great experience every time that they dine here," says Jessica DelaCruz. "There is a ministry to what we do in ensuring that the food, the atmosphere, and the service all come together."

To visit Holy Tomato's website, click below!



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## Summer Stage Closes Out Their 30th Season

Mainstage Center for the Arts closed out their 30th Season of Summer Stage last week! Wednesday through Sunday, there were eight shows at the Dennis Flyer Theater: four of MAGIC UP OUR SLEEVE Musical Revue, the Film Premiere, Broadway Babies & Kids Stuff SMALL WORLD Musical Revue, Harmony Bon Voyage Concert, and the Apprentices in WONDERLAND. Here are a few moments from those performances.



## 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,

*Daniel R. Mayer*



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