



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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Mayor Mayer and the GTPD Welcome home USMC Corporal Brandon Keefe just in time for the holidays.



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Learn more about this week's Local Business Spotlight: Custard & Produce Shack!



Pictured: Residents, Ray and Beverly Protich, dropping off toys for the Mayor's Toy Drive.

MAYOR'S TOY DRIVE: MAKING THE SEASON BRIGHTER FOR GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP CHILDREN

Gloucester Township would like to thank all of the businesses, churches, schools and various organizations who donated toys, games, bikes, stuffed animals, and funds to the Mayor's Toy Drive this year: Valleybrook Country Club, Trump International Golf Club, Union Valley Elementary, Gloucester Township Stallions, Heartland Hospice Care, the Gloucester Township Rotary Club, the GTMUA, the Gloucester Township Police Department, the Police and Fire Federal Credit Union, and many more. We would also like to thank all of the residents that participated in this worthy activity and brought in toys for children in need. Collection began in November and distribution of toys continued until today. This year, the Mayor's Toy Drive served over 200 children across Gloucester Township. We appreciate everyone's help in making this Christmas brighter for many little ones in town!



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Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps



On Wednesday, December 19th, Mayor Mayer had a meet and greet with the first ever class of Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFJROTC) cadets. This is a brand new program offered at Highland Regional High School. AFJROTC is a five-credit Practical Arts Course offered to all high school students. The course is taught by retired members of the Air Force and are certified by the state of New Jersey to teach life skills and military science.

Introduction to AFJROTC outlines the basic principles of leadership in the Air Force as applied to the Air Force Junior ROTC cadet corps. Cadets are required to teach, learn and perform 30 basic Air Force Drill commands throughout the school year. Cadets will learn about making smart health and wellness choice, US citizenship, AFJROTC history, and high personal standards. In the Health and Wellness portion cadets will work together to develop their physical fitness to prepare to take the US Presidential Physical Fitness Exam.

Mayor Mayer is excited to pilot this program in the Black Horse Pike Regional School District. We can't wait to see how it will benefit the students of Gloucester Township.



“BOOKING IT” WITH THE GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

A special thank you to everyone who came out to “Booking It” With Police on Monday, December 17th at the Family Resource Center. Officers had so much fun reading holiday books, dancing, and drinking hot chocolate with you all. They would also like to thank the Center For Family Services for partnering with them on this event.



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Code Blue Hotline
(800)331-7272

What is Code Blue?

When temperatures drop below freezing, and conditions pose a threat to individuals who are homeless or medically fragile, a network of agencies throughout New Jersey helps people obtain shelter, food, and clothing. During times such as these, county or municipal government will often initiate a *Code Blue Alert* which enables authorities to take homeless adults to shelter programs that have agreed to make additional beds available. Warming Centers are also opened during stated hours to provide residents with a place that they can go to warm up and escape the harsh weather conditions.

County Offices of Emergency Management together with county government will communicate Code Blue Alerts and the opening of Warming Centers through local media and social media outlets. Often this information is also posted on municipal and county websites. In addition to the specified warming center locations, public libraries, shopping centers, and senior activity centers are also available for individuals to use as a warming center during operating hours.

Warming centers here in Gloucester Township if a Code Blue is initiated:

Gloucester Township Senior Center, 1571 Hider Lane, Laurel Springs, NJ 08021 – Monday through Friday from 8:00 am-6:00 pm

Gloucester Township Municipal Court Room, 1261 Chews Landing Road, Laurel Springs, NJ 08021 – all other times

Code Blue assistance Hotline: 1-800-331-7272 open 24/7

WELCOME HOME!

Mayor Mayer and the Gloucester Township Police Department had the pleasure of assisting the Warrior Watch Riders and Operation Yellow Ribbon in welcoming home USMC Corporal Brandon Keefe this morning. Welcome home Corporal Keefe and thank you for your service!



Holiday Concert & Family Festival

December 21, 7 pm
December 22, 2 pm
Dennis Flyer Theatre,
Camden County College
Blackwood

Visits with Santa,
Ornament making,
Holiday Games, &
Cookie Sale!

Featuring Show
Choirs, & Mainstage
Dance & Musical
Theatre Performance
Groups.

Doors open 1 hour
before each concert
for holiday activities.

**For tickets, visit: mainstage.org
or call (855) 936-2467, ext 3**

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LOCAL BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

Local Business Spotlight is a 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!

SAP'S PRODUCE & CUSTARD SHACK SERVING GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP SINCE 1982

In 1982, the idea of opening a seasonal small family business originated. The building that they found looked like a "shack" and a small amount of renovations were made and Custard Shack was born!

In September of 1990, they expanded from just a seasonal custard stand to a year round produce store called the Produce Shack. Produce Shack offered a variety of high quality fruits and vegetables at reasonable prices, a small salad bar, a few specialty grocery items, and baked goods.

Over the years Custard Shack and Produce Shack have seen many changes in appearance and functionality, as well as changes in the products that they sell.

Today, Produce Shack focuses on their lunch patrons. Their Salad Bar offering has expanded, their Baked Goods selection has increased, and their focus on fresh, store made items has expanded, but their store size has stayed the same.

To learn more, please click below.

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May your holidays be filled with peace, love, and happiness.

Mayor David R. Mayer and Council wishes you and your family a happy holiday season!

Attention: Municipal Offices will be closed on December 24th and December 25th for the holidays.



If your trash day is Monday it will be picked up following normal schedule. If your trash day is Tuesday, please put it out Wednesday. It will be picked up Wednesday or Thursday.

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,

David R. Mayer



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