

May 16, 2019

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 TOWNSHIP invites you to Arts Market



May 19, 12pm-5pm



15 S Black Horse Pike



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GTPD honors fallen officers on National Peace Officers Memorial Day.



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The GT Historic & Scenic Preservation Committee invites you to the 2019 South Jersey Fair!



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Learn more about our Local Business Spotlight of the week: Benny's Brick Oven Pizzeria!

Don't miss Gloucester Township's first annual Arts Market this Sunday at the Gloucester Township Library (15 S Black Horse Pike) from noon - 5:00 pm. The township is hosting this event in collaboration with Mystic Ginger, a new hair studio in the downtown Blackwood section. Mystic Ginger's owner, Kellie D'Ascenzo, is just one of the many vendors whose homemade products you can purchase at the Arts Market this weekend.

The downtown Blackwood Section of Gloucester Township is full of life through the recently established Arts District. Last year, the township hosted the first ever Food and Craft Beer Festival to kick-start the revitalization of downtown Blackwood. The township is planning to host various arts-related events throughout the year with the Arts Market being the first this year.

This family-friendly event will feature local art, crafts, and creative works from over 30 vendors, food trucks, and live entertainment. The Arts Market is open to the public and free to attend. We hope to see you there to support the local arts community!





In 1962, President John F. Kennedy signed a proclamation which designated May 15th as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week in which that date falls as Police Week. In recognition and support of National Peace Officers Memorial Day, all Gloucester Township Police Officers wore mourning bands on Wednesday to honor the 163 officers killed in the line of duty in 2018 as well as all law enforcement officers who have lost their lives.

A Message From Chief Harry Earle:

“As we move through the year 2019, the loss of police officers continues with 42 officers killed in the line of duty so far this year; however, despite such tragedy, there is hope as the number of officers killed so far this year is the lowest in decades for this time period. There has been a consistent national training campaign amongst law enforcement to spare families the tragedy of losing their beloved law enforcement family member. This initiative is known as Below100. This campaign has been launched here at Gloucester Township Police where our increased focus on training helps protect officers from those that wish to kill them and help protect officers from the tragic accidents that often take their lives. If you visit the Gloucester Premium Outlets you will see that GTPD has a new training facility at this location which has been donated by the Premium Outlets. Additionally, in the coming weeks you will likely see on patrol our ‘Supervisor Patrol Support Vehicles’ which carry advanced tactical and safety equipment for patrol officers, and our own training unit has been greatly expanded to meet the training demands of the Below100 initiative. The practice of keeping the community safe requires a partnership – a partnership that includes the support of the community in our overall mission which includes the most contemporary training methods that we are employing at GTPD.”



COMBATING PACKAGE THEFT IN GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP

The rise of online shopping has made everything from grocery to holiday shopping easier and more convenient. However, it has also made it easier for thieves, increasing package theft or “porch pirating” as it is increasingly known.

Use the following five tips to keep your packages safe and delivered to the rightful owners:

1. **Install Security Cameras**
2. **Require Signature, Sign Up for Tracking Alerts, or Click-and-Collect**
3. **Coordinate With Your Neighbors**
4. **Request a Mail Hold When You’re Out of Town**
5. **Have Packages Delivered to Your Workplace**

The Gloucester Township Police Department wants potential thieves to know that packages delivered to homes in Gloucester Township may be equipped with a GPS device. It is also clear that they have expanded their use of this equipment to bicycles, handbags, and recently purchased merchandise so that those looking to steal are warned that bicycles and other personal belongings left unattended may likely contain a GPS tracking device.

Protect Yourself From Package Theft



**THE GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP
HISTORIC & SCENIC PRESERVATION
COMMITTEE INVITES YOU!**



South Jersey HISTORY FAIR

**SATURDAY, JUNE 8
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

Rain Date: Sunday, June 9th

**GABREIL DAVEIS TAVERN
LOCATION: 500 3RD AVENUE**

This free event will be held on the historic grounds of the 1756 Gabreil Daveis Tavern Museum House. Exhibitors include historic committees and re-enactor groups from counties across all of South Jersey. Fore more info...

 **@GLOTWPHISTORY**

The Gloucester Township Historic & Scenic Preservation Committee invites you to join them at the 2019 South Jersey History Fair on Saturday, June 8th! This free event will be held at the Gabreil Daveis Tavern (500 3rd Avenue). There will be Living History Demonstrations, Antique Appraisals, an "Introduction to your Genealogy" Table, \$5 Pony Rides, Tours of the Tavern, and more!



Our Lady of Hope Parish in Blackwood will be holding their 2019 Family Carnival from Thursday, May 16th through Saturday, May 18th. The three-day fair will have carnival rides for all ages, tasty festival food and treats, carnival games, and lot's of fun for the entire family!



GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP
JOIN THE EXCITEMENT

The Drowsy Chaperone

Recently been bit by the acting bug? Or been performing for years? Come take part in Maisntage Center for the Arts community theater production of *The Drowsy Chaperone*. Auditions are open to high school students through adults.

Winner of five Tony Awards, including Best Book and Best Original Score, *The Drowsy Chaperone* is a loving send-up of the Jazz Age musical, featuring one show-stopping song and dance number after another.

Audition Dates: May 18, 11 AM - 3 PM. or May 21, 6 - 10 PM at Mainstage Center for the Arts, 27 S. Black Horse Pike. Come prepared to sing with a change of clothes for dancing. Please prepare 32 bars from or in the style of the show, backtracks please. No accompanist will be provided.

**FOR MORE
INFORMATION**
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Memorial Day Service

**MAY 27 · 11:00 AM
VETERANS PARK**



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The annual Memorial Day Service will be held to honor Gloucester Township's fallen heroes on Monday, May 27th at 11:00 AM. These brave men and women are remembered with reverence for their sacrifices. Come out to Veterans Park and show your support for those who fought for our country!

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!

ENJOY A DELICIOUS MEAL AT A UNIQUE PIZZERIA!

Located in the Blackwood section of the township, Benny's Brick Oven Pizzeria is an Italian pizza restaurant that serves the area's freshest, most delicious pizza, as well as nearly 30 specialty items.

Owned and operated by the Taormina family, they have made it their mission to serve old-world style Italian pizza with a healthy twist. With their state-of-the-art ordering system and over 30 years of experience, they are well equipped to provide their customers with a top-quality dining

experience. Have a meal inside their rustic-yet-upscale locale that features televisions, comfortable seating, and an accommodating BYOB policy for the adults.

For more information such as business hours and their menu, please click below.



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,

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



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