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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

Hispanic Heritage Month 2019

On Monday, September 23rd, Gloucester Township celebrated Hispanic Heritage Month 2019 by honoring outstanding Latino members of our community. This year Mayor David Mayer, Assemblywoman Gabriela Mosquera, and Council congratulated 9 exemplary citizens of Gloucester Township who have demonstrated significant contributions in the area of community service, personal or professional achievements, or general good deeds benefiting our community: Isabelle Reyes-Pitock, Valeria Rengel, Santiago Gonazlez, Dr. Luis F. Amberths, Jr., Hector Rodriguez, Ramon Evangelista, Juan Lara, Sam Sweet, and Sara Salazar. Special thanks to St. Jude's Church choir for their beautiful musical performance and reverend Dr. Mouris A. Yousef from First Presbyterian Church.

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“Congratulations to the honorees; it is because of you this township is great. Keep working hard. This country gives us an amazing opportunity to be who we want to be; so dream big and achieve every single goal that you have set for yourself!” said Assemblywoman Gabriela Mosquera.

“Here in Gloucester Township we celebrate our differences. We embrace those differences. Here in Gloucester Township every family is welcome. I thank all of you for being great examples and role models for this community. Thanks for paving the way for our young people and contributions that you have made to our community,” said Mayor Mayer.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2019 HONOREES!



Isabelle Reyes-Pitock

Isabelle is a wonderful individual who has worked diligently in her time at Timber Creek. Throughout her duration at Timber Creek, she takes on more honors and AP classes each year and is still able to maintain a very high GPA going into her final year of high school. Isabelle is a member of the National Honor Society, World Language Club, L.A.D.I.E.S Club, Interact, History Club, is a Junior Class Officer, on Student Council and lastly a Renaissance card holder. Isabelle also volunteers her time each year during the Martin Luther King Day of Services as well as walks for Autism Awareness.



Valeria Rangel

Valeria is a senior at Timber Creek High School and is ranked 48 out of 271 seniors. Valeria is a member of the World Language Club, Transition and Interact as well as being a class officer. At St. Jude Church, she is an alter server and also partakes in many volunteer projects through her church. In addition to this, Valeria is an active member of the Timber Creek's Cross Country and Spring Track Team. Valeria takes her education very serious and always gets good grades, even as a student athlete.



Santiago Gonzalez

Santiago is a very driven young individual who pushes himself both inside and outside of the classroom. Taking honors level classes, Santiago has achieved a very successful GPA and is currently ranked 33 out of 271 students in his senior class. After graduation, Santiago plans to enter the medical field and he is currently a member of the STEAM Academy and is involved in many clubs and activities at Timber Creek.



Dr. Louis J Amberths Jr

Dr. Amberths Jr is the first Hispanic Principal in the history of Black Horse Pike Regional School District. Since his arrival at Timber Creek, Dr. Amberths has wasted no time in making his expectations clear. His charismatic personality along with his ability to make connections and relationships has already made an impact on our school.



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HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH



Hector Rodriquez

Hector currently serves as the Head Custodian at Erial Elementary School, and is extraordinary at his job and is a “Jack of all trades”. Mr. Rodriquez is a hard worker and goes beyond the call of duty. He inadvertently acts as an ambassador to the community and school officials as well as being a role model to both students and staff. He lends his talents, skills and services assist others in their dilemma.



Ramon Evangelista

Ramon is a senior student at Highland High School and is on the football team as well as being a member of the Air Force JROTC. Ramon graduated from the Cadet Leadership Camp at Fort Dix this past June. He earned the position of Senior Enlisted Advisor which is the highest enlisted rank within the program. He has attended a majority of the community service events, which has amassed a total of 13 hours.



Juan Lara

For the past three years, Juan has worked unceasingly as the President of the Council of our Parish Community and has demonstrated leadership by actions and guidance. Juan is a zealous person who loves Church and Community. At the Regional Hispanic Ministry he serves as the President of the Council, coordinator of the Charismatic Renewal and a Catechist for our Children in Religious Education.



Sam Sweet

Sam is a member of the Erial Little League Board where he also serves as the coach, Rookie Commissioner and Assistant Tournament Director. Sam can also be seen helping out his children’s travel soccer team as the unofficial goalie coach. If he is not on the field coaching, he is a dance dad, as his daughter is a competitive dancer who trains in Gloucester Township. Sam also supports his children’s education by volunteering with the parent/teacher organizations at their schools. While doing all this, Sam is also devoted to community activism by attending meetings, ask important questions and then educate the public on local government workings.



Sara Salazar

Sara is an 8th grade student at Ann A. Mullen Middle School and is a cheerful, respectful, dedicated young lady. Sara aspires to be a fashion designer or something within the business industry. Sarah is a member of the National Junior Honor Society, as well as being an active member of her Catholic Youth Group.



Chief Earle Retires After 33 Years of Service – Deputy Chief Harkins to be Promoted to Chief

Message from Chief Harry Earle:

“I will be retiring from the Gloucester Township Police Department on November 1, 2019 after 33 years of service with the department and 9.5 years as Chief of Police. Deputy Chief David Harkins will be promoted to Chief of Police to lead the department.

I wanted to take a moment to thank you for your partnership with the GTPD, which I believe has made our community stronger and safer. As you are likely aware, the GTPD launched a major community policing initiative in 2010 where we focused on building community partnerships, opening lines of communication, establishing relationships with youth, and changing the way we train. I have been so fortunate as the Chief of Police to have such commitment and support from the community, Mayor Mayer, and all of our local government leaders.

I have also been greatly fortunate to work with all the members of the Gloucester Township Police Department. They have worked tirelessly in building relationships with you while also protecting you, which is not always an easy task. An officer may be giving a high-five to a young child at a bus stop, having a catch in the street after school, and then in the same shift perform CPR on a person who has overdosed, or even be assaulted by someone as they make an arrest for a crime. I salute the men and women of the GTPD as they perform these extraordinary and diverse duties every day.

I am confident that Deputy Chief Harkins will provide the leadership that is needed to keep moving the department forward so that the men and women of the GTPD will continue to provide outstanding police service to the community. Deputy Chief Harkins has served with the Department since 1995. He holds a bachelors degree in criminal justice, a masters degree in human resource development, and is a graduate of the FBI National Academy.

Deputy Chief Harkins will be sworn in as Chief of Police at a Change in Command Ceremony on November 4, 2019 at 6:30 PM. This event will be open to the public. The location and details for this event will be announced in the near future.

Thank you again for your support of the Gloucester Township Police Department.”

Message from Mayor David Mayer:

“It’s a bittersweet day in Gloucester Township as Chief of Police Harry Earle announced his retirement from the Gloucester Township Police Department after serving 33 years in law enforcement. Having become Chief of Police in 2010, he has been a tremendous force in spearheading numerous initiatives that have recognized the Gloucester Township Police Department on a county, state, national, and international levels. His passion to serve and protect our residents combined with his drive for implementing the latest technological advancements has made an exponential impact on Gloucester Township and created a much safer community. His unparalleled professionalism, urgent sense of accountability, and strong leadership have been greatly appreciated by many and will be missed. Chief Earle’s retirement will be effective November 1st, and I wish him a happy retirement and thank him for his service to Gloucester Township.

I would also like to announce that Deputy Chief David Harkins will assume the responsibilities as Chief on the effective date of Chief Earle’s retirement. Deputy Chief Harkins has been a Gloucester Township Police Officer since 1995 and second-in-command since 2010.

I strongly believe that Deputy Chief Harkins will continue the great progress of the Gloucester Township Police Department. His sense of professionalism and his high ideal for service will make him a very successful leader of our Police Department, and I look forward to working with him in his new capacity as Chief of Police.”



Lt. John Swack Retiring after 22 years in service

Lt. John Swack was hired in January of 1997. He was promoted to Sergeant in 2004, and served as Deputy OEM Coordinator from 2010 to 2018. Having been promoted to a Lieutenant in 2015 and served in the Patrol Bureau, the Traffic Safety Bureau, and the Community Relations Division.

Lt. Swack was named Police Supervisor of the Year in 2015 and was mentioned as “a fair and caring supervisor. If an officer needs mentoring, Sgt. Swack is the first one to sit an officer down and have a one-on-one mentoring session to point the officer in the right direction.”

During the ceremony Lt. Swack was joined by his wife, Tina, his daughters, Ryan and Allie, and his sons, John and Christopher.

We wish Lt. Swack best of luck on this new chapter of his life!



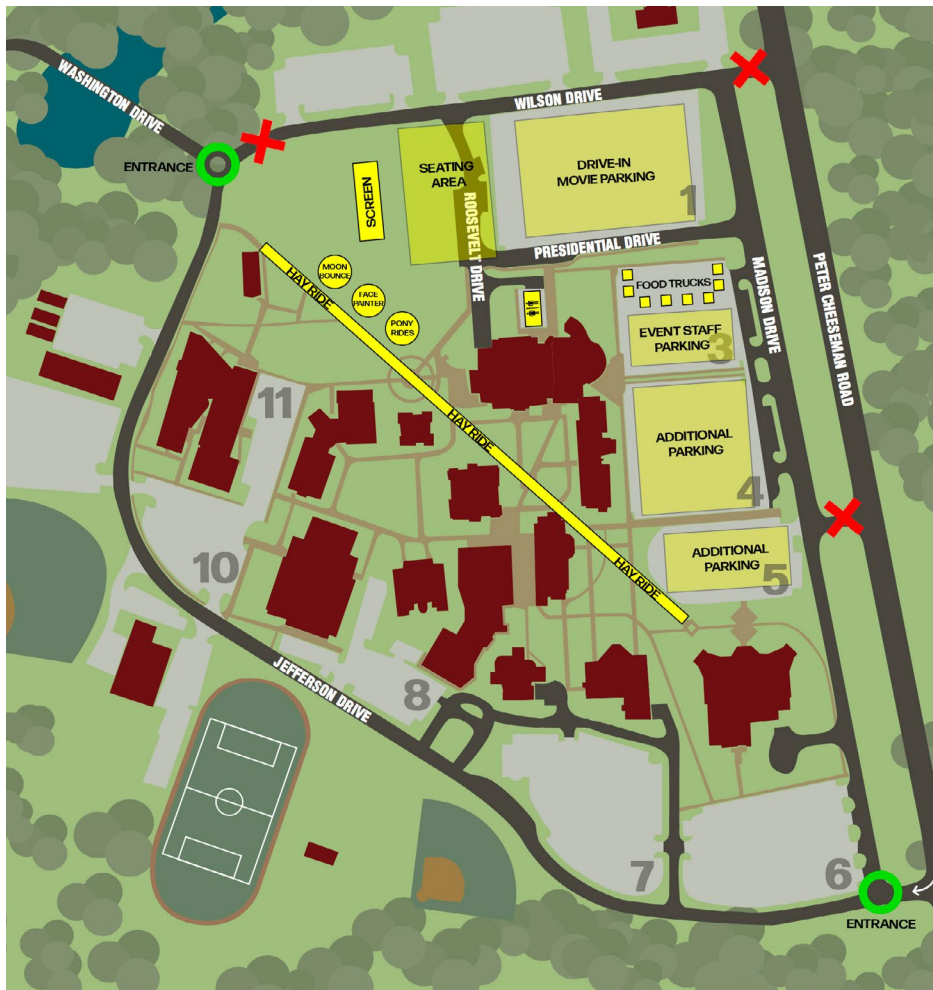
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GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP DRIVE-IN MOVIE NIGHT THIS SATURDAY

The drive-in movie is this Saturday; and you do not want to miss watching Avengers: End-game on our giant screen! The event starts at 5:30pm, featuring food trucks, hayride, moon bounce, face painter, and pony rides. Please bring your blankets and chairs in the event the main parking lot gets filled and you will have to use our seating area. Please be advised that the movie is 3 hours long, so plan accordingly and share the map of the grounds with your family and friends!

We'll see you Saturday at Camden County College!



The event is sponsored by Mayor David Mayer, Council and Damore Cosmetic & Family Dentistry.



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JDRF One Walk, South Jersey 2019

October 27, 2019 • Gloucester Township, NJ

JDRF One Walk has one goal: to create a world without type 1 diabetes (T1D). We know you want to make a cure a reality too—and we can't wait for you to join us!

Register

CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF FREEHOLDERS
ANNOUNCES THE
**2019 INFLUENZA
IMMUNIZATION SCHEDULE**
CAMDEN COUNTY RESIDENTS ONLY



CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF FREEHOLDERS

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DATE	LOCATION	TIME
Thursday, Oct. 3	Crowne Plaza, 2349 Marlton Pike W., Cherry Hill 08002	10:00 am 2:00 pm
Monday, Oct. 7	Bellmawr Fire Hall, 29 Lewis Avenue, Bellmawr 08031	3:30 pm 6:30 pm
Tuesday, Oct. 8	Rutgers University - Health Services, 326 Penn Street, Camden 08102	11:30 am 1:00 pm
Thursday, Oct. 10	Eastern High School Cafeteria, 1401 Laurel Oak Road, Voorhees 08043	4:00 pm 7:00 pm
Friday, Oct. 11	Gloucester Township Municipal Building, 1261 Chews Landing Road, Blackwood 08012	11:00 am 1:00 pm
Tuesday, Oct. 15	Cold Springs Gymnasium, 1194 Market Street, Gloucester City 08030	5:00 pm 7:30 pm
Thursday, Oct. 17	City Hall – Council Chambers, 2nd floor, 520 Market Street, Camden 08101	9:30 am 11:30 am
Friday, Oct. 18	Cherry Hill Township Municipal Building, 820 Mercer Street, Cherry Hill 08002	9:00 am 12:00 noon
Monday, Oct. 21	Isabel Miller Community Center – 8th and Carl Miller Blvd., Camden 08104	10:00 am 12:00 noon
Tuesday, Oct. 22	Collingswood Senior Center, 30 West Collings Avenue, Collingswood 08108	11:00 am 1:00 pm
Thursday, Oct. 24	Camden County College – Blackwood Connector Atrium, Blackwood 08012	10:00 am 1:00 pm
Saturday, Oct. 26	Bud Duble Senior Center, 33 Cooper Folly Road (off RT 73), Winslow Twp. 08004	11:00 am 1:00 pm
Monday, Oct. 28	Berlin Township Municipal Building, 135 Route 73, West Berlin 08091	4:00 pm 6:00 pm
Wednesday, Oct. 30	Katz Jewish Community Center, 1301 Springdale Road, Cherry Hill 08003	9:30 am 11:30 am
Thursday, Oct. 31	Magnolia Community Center, 425 Brook Avenue, Magnolia 08049	1:00 pm 3:00 pm
Monday, Nov. 4	Voorhees Town Center, 6001 Voorhees Town Center – Boscov's Court, Voorhees 08043	3:30 pm 6:30 pm
Wednesday, Nov. 6	Camden County College – Camden, 200 N. Broadway– College Hall Com. Rm., Camden 08102	11:00 am 1:00 pm
Thursday, Nov. 7	Harry Williams Building, Black Horse Pike and Broadway Avenue, Runnemede 08078	11:00 am 1:00 pm
Wednesday, Nov. 13	Camden County College – William G. Rohrer Cir., 1889 Marlton Pike, East, Cherry Hill 08003	11:00 am 1:00 pm

For further information, contact: Camden County Department of Health & Human Services: Toll free at **800-999-9045**

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TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER PUBLIC WORKS
LABORERS – LEAF SEASON – TEMPORARY POSITION
(Nov 4, 2019 – January 2, 2020)

OPEN TO GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY

7:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Under direction of a supervisor, performs various types of manual and unskilled laboring work and may drive a truck in connection with laboring work on occasion; does other related duties as required, specifically including raking leaves, working hose on leaf truck, picking up bags; and may shovel snow. Must be able to perform heavy physical labor, in adverse weather conditions for prolonged periods of time, and pass a preemployment physical and drug screening.

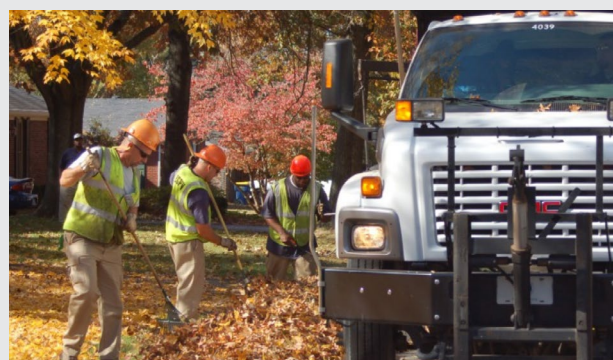
Applications can be picked up at the Municipal Building or printed from our website

ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT HUMAN RESOURCES DEPT.

AT (856) 228-4000 - EXT. 7071

APPLICATION FILING DEADLINE October 9, 2019

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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

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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