

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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Chief Harkins gives the virtual Invocation for CCC Police Academy Class 76 and welcomes a new officer to GTPD.



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Last Chance to Cast Your Vote!

Vote for your favorite entry in the 4th of July House Decorating Contest.



Mayor David Mayer, Chief David Harkins & the Gloucester Township Ministerium Update the Community on Covid-19 Response

Last week, Mayor David Mayer, Chief David Harkins and members of the Gloucester Township Ministerium met to discuss the challenges they faced as a result of the pandemic, as well as the steps they are taking on the road to recovery.

"One of the biggest changes was not being able to worship in the churches," said Father Joe Graniel of Holy Child Parish. "Holy Child was fortunate enough to get anywhere from 200-400 families tune in online for masses. We have also done a lot of work with our food banks. It is amazing how many more people needed assistance during this time."

"We are still using social media to stream masses for the moment. We still have to make some adjustments as far as social distancing goes. We have hands-free sanitizing stations coming that will need to be installed, but one of our problems is that when people come back they will be grasping at the fact that things will not be as they were before. For example, singing puts droplets in the air so they are recommending that you don't sing in church," said Pastor G. Andrew Engelhart III of Trinity Lutheran Church.



Update on Covid-19 Response (Continued)

"It has been a huge transition for those that are less fortunate," said Pastor Linda Davis from The Harvest Church. "It was challenging connecting with other pastors to see what we could do to help them. We are a small ministry, but we are trying to be effective. It is about having a heart of compassion and helping those that we can help."

Deacon Pete Shoemaker of Our Lady of Hope Parish discussed the Gloucester Township Ministerium's food bank which is run by Deacon Benjamin Coates.

"The Gloucester Township Food Bank continues to serve tons of food to those in need. We thank the township for the tremendous donation of the building that houses those donation as well as serves as a place to pray with and counsel those in need," said Deacon Shoemaker.

"The Gloucester Township Police Department couldn't do the job that we are doing without the help of the Gloucester Township Ministerium," said Chief David Harkins. "As far as the food bank goes, there are many challenges we faced when Covid-19 first hit. We are literally trying to write a play book so that we have a guide if something like this happens again so that we will be better prepared. We've encountered a number of people that suddenly lost their jobs and seniors who were simply scared to go out to the supermarket. While schools were closed, we redirected our School Resource Officers to our Community Relations Bureau. Their job was to contact our ministerium and get them in touch with those in need."

To watch the full update, please click below.



Gloucester Township Business, Belmont Magic, invites you to a night of fun & magic in Wildwood, NJ! Don't miss out on the July Grand Opening discounts.











Memorable, fun-filled, family entertainment!!

One-hour of outdoor, fast moving fun featuring a potpouri of smaller effects, lots of audience participation and proprietary innovative, TV style illusions. Covid precautions include Open Air Theater of Magic with limited seating, just 33 families per show. All families will be seated together and socially distanced from all other guests. All seats will be disinfected before every show. Hand sanitizer for quests.

Location:Downtown Wildwood
Schellenger & Pacific Avenues

Kids to age 12: \$15 \$13
Adults: \$17 \$15
July Grand Opening Discount

Tickets Available at

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CHIEF DAVID HARKINS GIVES INVOCATION FOR CAMDEN COUNTY COLLEGE POLICE ACADEMY CLASS 76

On Thursday, July 2nd, Gloucester Township Police Chief David Harkins gave the virtual invocation for the graduating Camden County College Police Academy Class 76.

On Thursday, fifty graduates proved that even in tough times with hard work and dedication you can conquer all obstacles. We welcome graduating Officer Jonathan Torres to the Gloucester Township Police Department!



THANK YOU TO THE RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES WHO HAVE BEEN SHOWING THEIR LOVE & SUPPORT FOR THE GLOUCESTER TWP POLICE DEPARTMENT!



The men and women of the Gloucester Township Police Department thank you for your love and support and would like you to know that your kindness does not go unnoticed!





Gloucester Township Library Information

Gloucester Township Library will begin a non-contact operation. Patrons will be able to make arrangements ahead of time to pick up materials at the branch on a specific date/time. Once on location, residents call a number to inform staff they have arrived. The staff will gather materials and bring to the car and place in the trunk. Similar process will be available for walk-ups. One patron at a time will be serviced and, of course, masks and social distancing will be enforced.

Hours of Operation:

Monday - Thursday

10am - 12pm and 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Fridays

10am-12pm



MVC

- Licenses
- Registrations
- Inspection stickers
- Veteran/Purple Heart placards

March-May expirations extended to 7/31 6/30 expiration extended to 8/31 7/31 expiration extended to 9/30

4TH OF JULY House Decorating Contest

CONTESTANT 1







CONTESTANT 4







CONTESTANT 8

CONTESTANT 9







CONTESTANT 10

CONTESTANT 11

CONTESTANT 12







VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE ENTRY!







CONTESTANT 16



Thank you to all residents who submitted their pictures to participate in the 2020 Gloucester Township Fourth of July House Decorating Contest. We have 16 contestants to be judged by our residents!

We encourage you to take a brief survey to vote on the best decorated house, in your opinion. The survey will be available till the end of the day on Thursday, July 9th. The winner will be announced on Friday, July 10th, and presented with gift cards to local businesses.

View More Pictures Here

VOTE NOW

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,











