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GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP
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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 Police Department to Public Works to Department of Recreation, we want you to stay In the Know of the latest news in our community!




DRIVE-IN

MOVIE NIGHT

OCTOBER 7TH at Camden County College


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




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PRESENTED BY

Mayor David Mayer, Township Council, & Our Sponsor
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RAIN DATE 10/08/23. For more information, please call 856-374-3514 or visit www.GloTwp.com

2023 GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP DRIVE-IN

MOVIE NIGHT RESCHEDULED

Gloucester Township Drive-In Movie Night previously scheduled for this weekend has been moved to **Saturday, October 7th**, due to the predicted weather conditions for the upcoming weekend.

The event will feature the hit film Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. III. There will be food trucks, pony rides, face painters, hayride, and moon bounce house for the little ones.

This free event is presented to you by Mayor David Mayer, Township Council, and our generous sponsor, ER Holding Sign & Design! The doors open at 5:30 PM.

[CLICK HERE](#) to see the map of the event.

ARTS DISTRICT UPDATE FROM MAYOR DAVID MAYER

Watch Mayor Mayer's video update on the revitalization efforts of the historic Downtown Blackwood.



GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP TOWN HERO: VINCENT DIVINCENZO

Vincent Divincenzo joined the Air Force on July 25, 1973, 5 weeks after he graduated from Highland High School.

He completed Basic Training at Lackland Air Force Base outside of San Antonio, TX. After basic training, Vincent went to Aircraft Maintenance School at Sheppard Air Force Base, TX, and was an Honor Graduate. Because of this honored status, he was assigned to the Heavy Maintenance/Crash Recovery Crew.

In 1975, Vincent was sent to Taiwan to assist in retrieving an airplane that was hit by a rocket, but it had been totally destroyed.

His next assignment was in West Germany with the 601st Tactical Control Wing flying OV-10 Bronco aircraft. This was the only US Air Force in Europe. Their mission was to fly the Fulda Gap, where the flat terrain would allow a massive armor assault from the Warsaw Pact nations.

One of the pilots on this mission was Capt. Darrel Whitcomb, whose story eventually became the movie "BAT*21" and the book "The Rescue of BAT-21."

At Sembach Air Base, Germany, Vincent was the backline Flight Chief responsible for 10 OV-10s and all the new kids that had gotten assigned there. They were fresh out of Tech School, and he was only 21 at that time.

Vincent was one of four enlisted men authorized to fly in the OV-10 (Permission had to be given by the 17th Air Force and 4th Allied Tactical Air Forces). During his time with the 601st, he had spent time in Italy, Spain, and the Netherlands.

During his career in the Air Force, he also got to fly as a helicopter door gunner at the Bardenas Reales range in Spain; he performed an aerial refuel of an F-4 Phantom over St. Louis, flew actual live ordnance, and participated in FAC missions at the National Training Center at George AFB/Ft Irwin CA during AF exercises Air Warrior.

Vincent was discharged from the Air Force in 1977. In 1980, he went back in with the 111th Tactical Air Support Group (also a FAC unit assigned to the Pennsylvania Air National Guard), flying O-2 Skymasters and, later, A-37 Dragonflies. He was a full-time Air Guardsman and left the Air Guard in 1989.

The picture on the Town Heroes Banner shows Vincent during a 200-hour inspection of an A-37.

Thank you, Vincent, for your service!



To learn more about the Gloucester Township Town Heroes Banner program and see the map of the banners' locations, [CLICK HERE](#).

RESCHEDULED!

Please be advised that Glendora Fall Fair and Fire Prevention Day scheduled for this weekend are moving to **Saturday, September 30th.**

Glendora Fire Station
hosts

GLENDORA Fall Fair

September
~~23rd~~

10am-4pm

30th!

Food
Craft Vendors
Fall Photo-Op
Basket Auction

SAVE THE DATE: YOGA FOR KIDS!

Yoga for Kids!
Veteran's Park
Gloucester Twp,
Saturday, Oct 21 @
10am Meet us at the
Gazebo!
\$10-\$15 per child
suggested donation to
cover cost of
pumpkins/crafts/snacks
text Jennifer to register
856-246-8136

CITIZENS OF EXCELLENCE AWARD

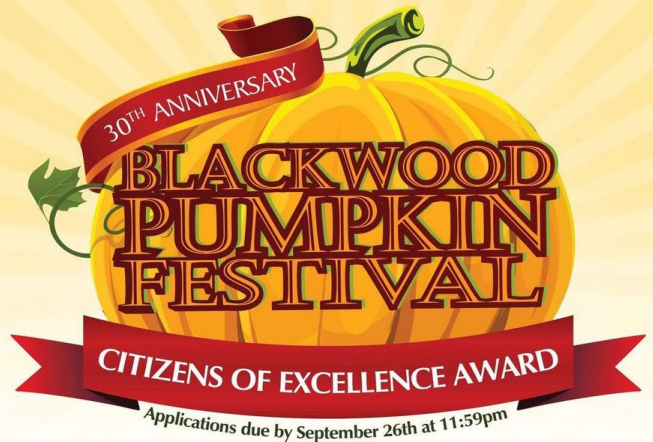
As part of the 30th Anniversary, Mainstage and the Pumpkin Festival want to celebrate the community!

"We are looking for residents (or former residents) of Gloucester Township who remain affiliated with the township through their jobs, community affiliations, or volunteer service efforts to be this year's Citizen(s) of Excellence. You can nominate yourself OR someone you know!" said Mainstage. "Show us your work and tell us why you or the person you are nominating should be chosen as a Citizen(s) of Excellence to be honored at our 30th Anniversary Pumpkin Festival on Sunday, October 1st (Rain date: Sunday, October 8th)"

Nominations are due by September 26th at 11:59pm.

Submit your nominations [HERE](#).

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Scan to nominate yourself
OR someone you know!

PUMPKIN CARVING DECORATING CONTEST

Demonstrate your creative talents by carving or decorating a pumpkin and bring it to the Blackwood Pumpkin Festival on Sunday, Oct. 1st for a chance to win a prize! There is no need to register in advance. All entries must be delivered to Harwan Park

Official rules at www.mainstage.org

In support with



ENJOY A FREE COFFEE WITH AN OFFICER!

Mark your calendars! Gloucester Township Police and ShopRite of Chews Landing present - **GTPD Coffee With A Cop!**

The event will be held on Wednesday, October 4, 2023 from 10 AM to 12 PM in the ShopRite Café, 1200 Chews Landing Road, Gloucester Township, NJ at the rear of the store.

Enjoy a free cup of coffee and a chat with a Police Officer!



GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP POLICE PROJECT: MEDICINE DROP BOX

The Next National Prescription Drug Take Back Day is on October 28th, BUT you don't have to wait until then to drop off your unwanted or expired prescription drugs from medicine cabinets, kitchen drawers, and nightstands!

Stop by ANYTIME to the Gloucester Township Police Project Medicine Drop Box, located at the Watch or stop by the Gloucester Township Municipal Building(side door entrance) during business hours and utilize the Medicine Return Drop Box in the foyer! Both are located at 1261 Chews Landing Road.

Reminder- we DO NOT accept liquids or syringes. Thank you!



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!

David R. Mayer



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