

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 about the latest news in our community!

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MESSAGE FROM MAYOR DAVID MAYER

Warmer weather is finally here, and summertime is just months away! It's time to enjoy the great outdoors—our beautiful parks, sports fields, and recreational spaces around Gloucester Township. We have plenty of events planned for the rest of the year, including some longtime favorites and exciting new opportunities for residents to enjoy.

We're kicking things off with the Annual Gloucester Township Business Breakfast on May 8th at Valleybrook Country Club. Sponsored by the Gloucester Township Economic Development Partnership, this event is a great opportunity for local business owners to network and learn about the latest economic development initiatives happening in town. CLICK HERE for registration.

This year, we introduced Coffee with a Veteran, a new initiative bringing our veteran community together to honor and connect with the brave men and women who have served our country. Held at the Gloucester Township Senior Center and sponsored by Boswood Bagels, this monthly gathering offers residents the chance to share a cup of coffee, hear inspiring stories, and engage in meaningful conversations with our local veterans. Each event features exciting guest speakers, making it a must-attend on the last Tuesday of every month.

MESSAGE FROM MAYOR DAVID MAYER

Veterans Park is the place to be this summer! Kick off the season with our beloved Movies in the Park starting on May 23rd, followed by the highly anticipated Sounds of Summer Concert Series, with dates to be announced soon. Then, on June 21st, join us for the Second Annual Gloucester Township Juneteenth Celebration, a vibrant, family-friendly event featuring a cultural marketplace, live music, and entertainment for all to enjoy.

Several years ago, we brought back the tradition of drive-in movies to Gloucester Township, and we're thrilled to continue it with the 8th Annual Drive-In Movie on September 13th at Camden County College. Save the date and bring your family and friends for a night of fun and lasting memories!

And last but not least, I am proud to announce the launch of the GTPERKS Program, rolling out in late spring/early summer. This new initiative supports our veterans and residents aged 55 and older by offering discounts at participating businesses throughout Gloucester Township. We're working closely with local businesses to expand participation, and more details will be shared soon. In the meantime, I encourage you to spread the word and stay tuned for updates on how you or a loved one can take advantage of these special savings.

To stay informed about all that's happening in Gloucester Township, be sure to tune in to On the Air with Mayor Mayer! This monthly podcast highlights community initiatives, local businesses, and important township updates. You can catch new episodes every month on our website and streaming platforms.

As always, please reach out to my office with any questions, comments, or concerns, and sign up for my weekly e-newsletter, GTWorks, to stay up to date on events and happenings in Gloucester Township!

Sincerely,

David Mayer

Council Meeting Shines a Spotlight on Scholars and Supporters



At Monday night's Council Meeting, Gloucester Township proudly celebrated two incredible community milestones.

The Gloucester Township Day Scholarship Committee awarded forty scholarships, each in the amount of \$1,000, to graduating seniors heading to accredited colleges and universities. These scholarships are awarded annually to Gloucester Township residents attending public or private high schools who meet the application criteria. If you'd like to support future graduates, donations to the Scholarship Committee are always welcome—every contribution helps a student take the next step toward their dreams. CLICK HERE to donate.

Also during the meeting, Pennco Tech presented a generous \$20,000 donation to GT Field of Dreams, an all-inclusive baseball field that provides children of all abilities the chance to play together. GT Field of Dreams player Billy Clothier was present to help accept the donation, representing just one of the many lives touched by this special place.

GT Field of Dreams is more than a field—it's a symbol of hope, community, and inclusion. With support from partners like Pennco Tech, and momentum from initiatives like "Jake's Law," Gloucester Township is helping to lead the way in creating spaces where everyone belongs.

It was a night that captured the true spirit of Gloucester Township—investing in our youth, building inclusive spaces, and working together to make dreams come true.



Rain or Shine: GT 5K Run & Walk Brings Community Together



Despite the rainy weather, spirits were high at this year's Gloucester Township 5K Run & Walk, where dedicated runners and walkers showed up in full force to support a great cause. The event, held as a fundraiser for the GT Day Scholarship Committee, brought together community members of all ages for an evening of fitness, fun, and giving back.





Thanks to everyone who laced up their sneakers and braved the weather—your support helps provide scholarships for local students pursuing higher education. It was truly a great evening for an even greater cause!



CLICK HERE for more photos

The Nexus: A Night of Connection, Collaboration, and Community





The Nexus Business Networking Event was a resounding success! Held on April 11th at Villari's Lakeside, the evening brought together a vibrant mix of young professionals, entrepreneurs, and community leaders for an unforgettable night of connection and collaboration. With a strong turnout, the energy in the room was electric from start to finish.

Guests enjoyed delicious food, exciting door raffles, fun giveaways, and a lively game of Business Networking Bingo that had everyone mingling and making meaningful connections. Hosted by the ever-engaging Brianna Reagan, The Nexus proved to be more than just a networking event—it was a celebration of ambition, creativity, and community spirit.

The Nexus was made possible through a dynamic partnership between The Men of Color Alliance, The Opulence Hospitality Group, the Gloucester Township Economic Development Partnership, and Mayor Mayer. We also extend our heartfelt thanks to our generous sponsors—Zigglebee, Samaritan: Life Enhancing Care, and Embrace Restaurant—for helping bring this incredible event to life.



MAYOR DAVID R. MAYER. TOWNSHIP COUNCIL AND THE GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE A NEW MONTHLY EVENT, "COFFEE WITH A VET," TO FOSTER CAMARADERIE AND SUPPORT LOCAL VETERANS. ALL VETERANS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND AND ENJOY COMPLIMENTARY COFFEE, CONVERSATION, AND CONNECTION WITH FELLOW SERVICE MEMBERS!

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Join us for a special edition of Coffee with a Vet on Monday, April 29th, as we welcome Maj. John Hunt (Ret.) as our guest speaker. Maj. Hunt, a dedicated public servant and retired military officer, now serves as the handler for Gloucester Township Police Department's groundbreaking Community Resource K9 (CRK9) Program.

During the event, Maj. Hunt will share insight into the CRK9 initiative—a transformative program using Animal Assisted Intervention to support individuals impacted by Substance Use Disorders, enhance officer and community wellness, and foster meaningful connections through compassionate outreach. Meet the faces (and paws!) behind this inspiring effort, including K9s Axel, Ivan, and Jolene.

For more information, **CLICK HERE!**

SAVE THE DATE

Township of Gloucester - Glendora, NJ



April 26 & 27, 2025

Saturday: 9-5 Sunday: 9-3

Rain or Shine!

Join the fun!

Admission is FREE!

- Tavern Tours

- Period Reenactors Blacksmithing
- Colonial Crafters
- Primitive Archery!! - Shoot a Flintlock Rifle!
- Kids' Games!!
- Throw Tomahawks!
- Artillery Demo (cannon!!)



More Info: www.facebook.com/glotwphistory Tel. 856.228.4000 X3249

Location: 500 Third Ave, Glendora, NJ 08029 (Look for signs)

CHAIR YOGA WITH DOROTHY

REJUVENATE YOUR MIND AND BODY

GENTLE CHAIR YOGA FOR SENIORS



Tuesday, June 17th, 2025 at 11 AM Location:

Gloucester Township Senior Center 1261 Chews Landing Rd, Gloucester Township RSVP: mdintino@glotwp.com or 856-374-3514

Chair Yoga with Dorothy is coming to the Gloucester Township Senior Center (1261 Chews Landing Road) on June 17th at 11 AM! This gentle, seated yoga session is perfect for seniors looking to improve flexibility, balance, and relaxation—all while having fun in a supportive environment. Come stretch, breathe, and feel your best! For more information, contact Maryjo Dintino at 856-633-8090 or mdintino@ glotwp.com.

Message From the Green Team



The Gloucester Township Green Team is proud to support year-round access to safe and responsible household hazardous waste (HHW) disposal. While county HHW collection events happen only a few times a year, Gloucester Township residents don't have to wait—thanks to a local drop-off option right at our Public Works facility.

Residents can now properly dispose of vehicle batteries, engine coolant and containers, automotive fluids, filters, and more—all without needing to store these potentially harmful materials for months at a time.

By offering a permanent collection site, Gloucester Township is taking an important step toward protecting our environment, reducing pollution, and making it easier for our community to stay green and safe.

For more information on what's accepted and how to participate, <u>CLICK HERE!</u>



Are you ready to take the first step toward a tobacco-free life? The Gloucester Township Green Team encourages residents to explore the free support available through ScreenNJ, a statewide program dedicated to helping individuals quit smoking or vaping and embrace a healthier lifestyle.

ScreenNJ connects residents with valuable tools such as the New Jersey Quitline and the Rutgers Tobacco Dependence Program. It also provides multilingual guides and brochures in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, and more—making support accessible to everyone. You'll also find helpful tips on how quitting can significantly improve your health and well-being.

All resources are completely free and available to New Jersey residents with no insurance required.

As we get ready for the Gloucester Township Arts Market & Green Fair on Saturday, April 27th from 10 AM to 3 PM, we're highlighting simple ways to live greener and healthier. Quitting tobacco is one powerful step in that direction.

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 as your home and for making our community a great place to live, work and play!









