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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 about the latest news in our community!

## HONORING OUR HEROES: MEMORIAL DAY IN GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP



On Memorial Day, Gloucester Township came together in solemn tribute to honor the brave men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country.

The day began with wreath-laying services at Blackwood VFW Post 7927 and continued through several poignant stops, including schools, monuments, cemeteries, and veterans' posts — each one a space for reflection and remembrance.

The tribute culminated at Veterans Memorial Park, where the community gathered for a moving ceremony that included the roll call of our fallen heroes, patriotic music, and heartfelt words from Mayor Mayer and guest speaker Ciri Castro, Jr. . The program featured a salute by the American Legion Firing Squad, the raising and retirement of the flag, and the solemn notes of Taps, reminding us all of the deep cost of freedom.

The day closed in unity and gratitude, as Blackwood VFW Post 7927 welcomed residents for an open house — a space to honor, remember, and give thanks. For more photos, [CLICK HERE](#). Photos by Dave Gruen.



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#### Latinas Ribbon Cutting!

Get a taste of the new culture, passion and partnership here in GT!



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#### Mental Health Matters

Mayor Mayer joined Matt Peterson in honoring mental health awareness month.



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#### Juneteenth Entertainment

Join us June 21st at Veterans Park for a day of celebration!



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# COFFEE WITH A VET

Yesterday, there was a wonderful turnout at the Gloucester Township Senior Center for this month's Coffee with a Vet, featuring a powerful and informative presentation by Unity Love Home Health Care. Attendees learned how veterans can access VA-covered home care services including bathing, dressing, meal prep, housekeeping, and more.

A highlight of the morning was our free raffle giveaway for a beautiful hand-crocheted American flag blanket. Mayor Mayer was honored to personally present the blanket to our lucky winner!

This event is generously sponsored by Boswood Bagels and is held on the last Tuesday of every month at 10am at the GT Senior Center. Looking forward to another successful morning on June 24th. For more information, [CLICK HERE!](#)



## Latinas Restaurant Celebrates Ribbon Cutting in Gloucester Township



Gloucester Township proudly welcomed Latinas Restaurant to the local business community with a ribbon cutting ceremony at their new location on Evesham Road in Glendora. Mayor David R. Mayer joined the restaurant's owners to officially celebrate their opening and help cut the ribbon, marking the beginning of an exciting new chapter for the township's dining scene.

Latinas is more than just a restaurant — it's a celebration of culture, passion, and partnership. Founded by two local professionals who met while working in the restaurant industry, Latinas brings together a unique fusion of Latin American flavors and traditions. Owners Stephanie Stoelker, originally from Peru, and Chef Oscar, from Mexico, have poured their years of experience and cultural pride into creating a menu that highlights the rich, diverse cuisines of Latin America.

From savory Mexican favorites to vibrant Colombian and Peruvian dishes, Latinas offers a flavorful and authentic experience that sets it apart. The restaurant's warm and welcoming atmosphere reflects the owners' deep appreciation for community, hospitality, and shared heritage.

The addition of Latinas to Gloucester Township showcases the strength and diversity of local entrepreneurship. Their vision, creativity, and commitment to quality add something truly special to the township and further enrich the growing variety of small businesses that call it home. For more information, [CLICK HERE!](#)





In recognition of Mental Health Awareness Month, Gloucester Township continues to show its support for individuals and families affected by mental health challenges. Mayor David R. Mayer, alongside Gloucester Township Police Department Community Relations Officers, met with mental health advocate Matt Petersen for a meaningful display of awareness and solidarity.

Together, they wrapped a green ribbon around The Awareness Tree, a powerful symbol of hope and support for those impacted by mental illness. The color green is nationally recognized as the symbol of mental health awareness, promoting healing, strength, and understanding.

Mr. Petersen, a passionate advocate, focuses his efforts on raising awareness about schizophrenia, a serious mental illness that affects at least one in every 100 people. He believes the number is likely higher due to stigma and underreporting, with many individuals suffering in silence without seeking help. Through his advocacy, Petersen encourages open conversations about mental health, emphasizing the importance of ending the stigma, increasing awareness, and connecting people to critical resources. His work reminds us that understanding and compassion can help open the door to treatment and recovery for those in need.

Gloucester Township remains committed to supporting mental health initiatives and fostering a community where no one feels alone in their struggles. As we honor Mental Health Awareness Month, residents are encouraged to learn more, speak openly, and support one another. For more information, [CLICK HERE.](#)



## GT's Cinema Corner: Upcoming Movie Magic + Certified Film Ready



### Gloucester Township Movie Night

SPONSORED BY: LOCATION: Veterans Park SPONSORED BY:

DATE: Friday, June 13th

(RAINDATE: 6/20)

ADMISSION: Free

FOOD AND GAMES

AVAILABLE AT 7:30 PM



1378 Little Gloucester Rd  
(856) 784-2800  
lamppostdiner.com



101 S Black Horse Pike  
(856) 232-9099  
themedowsdiner.com



Gloucester Township has officially been certified as a Film Ready Community by the New Jersey Motion Picture & Television Commission (NJMPVC), a division of the NJ Economic Development Authority (NJEDA).

This exciting designation means our township is fully prepared to welcome film and television productions to our community. Through a comprehensive five-step certification process, we've gained the tools, training, and resources needed to support productions from pre-production through wrap.



- An elevated platform to promote local locations for filming
- Streamlined permitting and support processes
- Designated local liaisons to assist production teams
- The ability to connect directly with industry professionals across the state



  
 GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP  
**JUNETEENTH**  
*celebration*

*Freedom Day*  
**JUNE 21, 2025**  
**1 PM- 4 PM**  
**VETERANS' PARK**  
*Raindate: 6/22/25*  
**• VENDORS • FOOD •**  
**• MUSIC •**  
**• YOUTH ACTIVITIES •**  
**• ART AND MORE! •**  
**THE BUDESA BROTHERS**  
*VENDORS' APPLICATION WILL BE AVAILABLE AT WWW.GLOTWP.COM*



Join us on Friday, June 21st from 1–4 PM at Veterans Park for a vibrant Juneteenth celebration! Enjoy live music from The Budesa Brothers, explore a variety of authentic food vendors, and shop unique arts and crafts from local creators.

It's a perfect afternoon to come together, honor history, and enjoy great vibes with the community.

Vendor spots are still available! If you're interested in participating, [CLICK HERE](#). Let's make this celebration one to remember!

## 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](mailto: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!

*Daniel R. Mayer*



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**SOUNDS OF SUMMER**  
 2025 CONCERT SERIES  
 PRESENTED BY  
 MAINSTAGE  
 CENTER FOR THE ARTS  
 AND  
 THE TOWNSHIP OF  
 GLOUCESTER

**SEASON OPENER**  
**Monday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 7PM**



Singer-songwriter who is known for her Country American Root + Rock Style



Gloucester Township is proud to welcome back the annual Sounds of Summer Concert Series, kicking off the 2025 season with a performance by acclaimed singer-songwriter Payton Taylor. Known for her distinctive blend of country, American roots, and rock influences, Taylor brings a rich, authentic sound that resonates with audiences of all ages.

The season opener will take place on Monday, June 23 at 7:00 PM at Veterans Park, located at 1261 Chews Landing Road. Residents are invited to bring lawn chairs, relax under the evening sky, and enjoy this free, family-friendly concert.

Presented in partnership with Mainstage Center for the Arts, the Sounds of Summer series continues to highlight the vibrant arts and culture scene in Gloucester Township, offering live music and community connection throughout the season.

