

# WORKS

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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!



## Women Who Make a Difference *Celebration*



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Read the bios of the outstanding women honored this week.



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Help support high school students in GT!



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Enjoy photos from this years bunny brunch.



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Mrs. Hammell truly exemplifies what it means to make a difference. She works full-time as a teacher of the hearing impaired while recently earning her Master’s degree, all while being a devoted mother to two Gloucester Township students. Her commitment to the school community is evident through her leadership in the Union Valley PTO, where she served as Vice President from 2021–2023 and has been President since 2023. She has played a key role in the organization’s success by building strong relationships, upholding bylaws with integrity, and leading with professionalism, always handling challenges with respect and a solutions-focused approach.

Beyond her professional and leadership roles, Mrs. Hammell goes above and beyond to create meaningful experiences for students and families. She organizes and oversees events such as Boosterthon, Bingo Night, the Someone Special Dance, Holiday Shop, School Store, and Mother’s and Father’s Day celebrations. She also leads the Giving Tree and Helping Hands initiatives, ensuring students have access to holiday gifts, meals, clothing, and field trips. Her compassion, dedication, and leadership continue to make a lasting impact on the entire school community.



Nicole Hohl is a true example of a woman who lifts others and strengthens her community. A proud Gloucester Township native, she grew up here and returned to serve the same community that shaped her. Before joining Timber Creek, she taught and coached at Triton High School, making a lasting impact on her students. Now, as Timber Creek’s Student Assistance Counselor, she supports students through challenges such as substance abuse, promotes healthy decision-making, and provides guidance with compassion and care. She also helps lead the Student Voices Committee and No Place for Hate, and organized “Connections for Change,” bringing students together with trusted adults to build meaningful connections and support systems.

Nicole is especially dedicated to empowering young women. She founded and leads the Women’s Club and Miss Timber Creek, a scholarship program that promotes leadership, confidence, and giving back to the community. She also stepped in to coach the girls’ soccer team mid-season, showing her commitment and leadership. Nicole continues to impact students even after they graduate, as many credit her for their success. She also hosts Spotlight Breakfasts throughout the year to recognize students and staff. Her dedication, compassion, and leadership make a lasting difference in Gloucester Township and beyond.



Kristine McDermott has been a lifelong resident of Gloucester Township and has spent over 30 years teaching at Chews Elementary School. She attended local schools, graduated from Rutgers University, and earned her Master’s degree from St. Joseph’s University. She has wanted to be a teacher since she was a child and found her passion in kindergarten, where she has taught for more than 20 years. She creates a caring and supportive classroom where students feel safe, confident, and ready to learn. She is also a devoted mother of three successful Gloucester Township graduates and is known for her kindness and dedication to the community.

Outside of the classroom, Kristine continues to make a difference through her service and generosity. She has organized kindergarten performances for Gloucester Township Day, supported PTO and Mainstage programs, mentored student teachers, and volunteered in her parish. She also helps families in need by providing food, clothing, and other essentials. One of her most meaningful contributions was helping a struggling student gain the skills needed to return to the classroom and succeed. Kristine’s compassion, dedication, and commitment to others have made a lasting impact on her students and the Gloucester Township community.



Winnie Quinn Falchetta is a devoted wife, mother, and community servant whose life reflects steady commitment to family and public service. Married to Tom Falchetta and mother to Brian Yaokle, Winnie delights in her role as grandmother to Logan Yackle, a source of great pride and joy. For more than 25 years she served Camden County as a dedicated Sheriff’s officer, bringing professionalism and compassion to her work protecting neighbors and supporting community safety.

Since 2005, Winnie has extended her public service as Constituent Services Director for Assembly Majority Leader Greenwald, where she helps address local concerns and connects residents with resources. Deeply involved in her faith community and active in church life, she also lends leadership locally as President of her homeowners’ association. Through each role—family member, officer, public servant, and community leader—Winnie quietly models dedication, care, and steady stewardship of the people and places she loves. There is no better person who embodies this award, Winnie is simply the best!



Heide Kowalski, an English Language Arts teacher at Ann A. Mullen Middle School in the Gloucester Township School District, was named the 2025–2026 Camden County Teacher of the Year. She serves as a 6th grade ELA teacher and team leader, and is recognized for her innovative teaching style that blends arts integration, science, and environmental education. Heide holds a bachelor’s degree in biology with a minor in German, as well as a Master’s degree in science education from Rutgers Graduate School of Education. Her diverse background allows her to bring creativity and real-world connections into the classroom, helping students engage in meaningful and exciting ways.

Heide is known for her strong focus on building relationships, creating a culture of respect, and inspiring a sense of curiosity and wonder in her students. She also works to connect her classroom to the community by fostering partnerships that support environmental initiatives and hands-on learning experiences. One of just 21 educators in New Jersey to receive the 2025–2026 County Teacher of the Year honor, Heide’s dedication, creativity, and passion for education continue to make a lasting impact on her students and the Gloucester Township community.



We are proud to recognize Renee, an employee of the Gloucester Township Public School District and a resident of the Mayfair section of GT, as a Women Who Make a Difference honoree. Renee’s nomination reflects her continued dedication to serving our community. She is a past honoree of the Township’s Black History Month Celebration and has since remained actively involved by serving on the Nominations Review Committee for both the Black History Month Celebration and the Women Who Make a Difference Awards. She also volunteers each year at the Township’s MLK Day of Service, assisting at the registration desk.

Renee’s commitment to service extends well beyond these efforts. She was recently inducted into Zeta Amicae of Camden, where she participates in a variety of community service initiatives including health programs, weekend service projects, and holiday outreach. She also helped establish the Stephanie Brown Scholarship Foundation, supporting students pursuing higher education. As a Founding Trustee of the GT Educational Foundation, Renee plays a key role in supporting teachers and students through innovative grants and humanitarian efforts. Her contributions have been recognized through numerous honors, including Support Staff Professional of the Year and the Gloucester Township Citizen’s Appreciation Award, with her name permanently engraved at Citizen’s Appreciation Park.



Eva Chester is often the first person people see when entering the school, and she consistently creates a warm and welcoming environment for students, families, and staff. Her friendly demeanor, professionalism, and genuine care help set a positive tone for the entire school community. She is highly reliable and organized, ensuring that daily operations run smoothly while managing multiple responsibilities with ease. Whether assisting families, supporting staff, or handling unexpected situations, Eva approaches everything with patience, kindness, and professionalism.

Beyond her daily responsibilities, Eva’s dedication and positive attitude make her an invaluable part of the school. She is known for always putting others first and supporting everyone around her. Colleagues often describe her as the glue that holds the office and school together. Her commitment to service and her impact on the school community make her truly deserving of recognition during Women’s History Month.



## Business Breakfast with Benjamin Franklin!



Register now for Gloucester Township's Annual Business Breakfast! Celebrate America's 250th birthday with guest speaker Benjamin Franklin. [CLICK HERE](#) to register!

**4/11/26**  
1261 CHEWS LANDING RD  
GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP, NJ

*29th Annual*  
**GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP  
SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

# 5K

## RUN & WALK

- 5K RUN/WALK
- ONE MILE WALK

**PARTICIPANTS RECEIVE  
A T-SHIRT & POST-RACE  
BREAKFAST BUFFET!**

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Join us on Saturday, April 11th at 8:00 AM for a 5K Run/Walk at Veterans Memorial Park. Come out for a fun and active morning with the community! All ages and fitness levels are welcome. [CLICK HERE](#) to sign up!



Gloucester Township, NJ – The Gloucester Township Day Scholarship Committee invites residents to enjoy an evening of laughter and entertainment for a meaningful cause at this year's annual fundraiser featuring Joe Conklin & The City Rhythm Orchestra.

The event will take place on Friday, April 11 at the Triton High School Auditorium, located at 250 Schubert Avenue. This highly anticipated performance promises a night of comedy, music, and community spirit, all while supporting local students.

All proceeds from the event directly benefit the Gloucester Township Day Scholarship Committee, which will award forty (40) scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each to eligible graduating seniors. These scholarships are applied toward expenses at an accredited college or university.

Graduating seniors who are residents of Gloucester Township and attend any public or private high school are eligible to apply, provided they meet the criteria outlined in the application.

Tickets for the event must be purchased in advance by [CLICKING HERE](#). Please note that tickets will not be sold at the door.

This event serves as the Committee's primary fundraiser of the year and plays a vital role in supporting higher education opportunities for Gloucester Township students. Residents are encouraged to attend, support a great cause, and enjoy a memorable evening of entertainment.

For more information about the Gloucester Township Day Scholarship Committee and scholarship eligibility, [CLICK HERE](#).



# DESIGNER HANDBAG

# BINGO NIGHT!

To Benefit the  
**GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP ROTARY CLUB FOUNDATION**

## FRIDAY, APRIL 17TH

### Glendora Fire Hall

22 8th Ave, Glendora, NJ 08029

**DOORS OPEN 6:00 PM • GAMES START 7:00 PM**

**WIN Authentic DESIGNER HANDBAGS!**

**RAFFLES! 50/50! DOOR PRIZES!**

**GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!**

# COFFEE WITH A VET THIS TUESDAY 3/31/26!

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**WHERE**  
Gloucester Township Senior Center, located at 1261 Chews Landing Rd.



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**WHEN**  
Last Tuesday of the month from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

**JOIN US MARCH 31ST FEATURING GUEST SPEAKER STEPHEN MCDONALD WITH BRIGHTSTAR CARE & TANYA MCKEOWN WITH JEFFERSON HEALTH SYSTEMS**

**BrightStarCare**  
BrightStar Care of Gloucester County provides compassionate, personalized in-home care, helping individuals live safely and comfortably at home with support for daily activities, companionship, and specialized needs.

**Jefferson Health**  
The team at Jefferson Health Systems is dedicated to supporting the health and well-being of seniors and veterans. Manager Tanya McKeown will be on hand to provide valuable health information, resources, and guidance to help individuals stay informed and take charge of their care.

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## BE PART OF THE ART AT GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP'S ARTS MARKET

### Community Painting

at the GT Arts Market  
HELP BRING A COMMUNITY MURAL TO LIFE AT HARMONY HALL. RESIDENTS CAN STOP BY DURING THE ARTS MARKET TO ADD COLOR TO PRE DRAWN SECTIONS AND BE PART OF A LASTING PIECE OF PUBLIC ART WITH ARTIST LARISSA DANOWITZ.



#### ABOUT

INSPIRED BY HARMONY HALL'S HISTORY AS A FORMER BANK, THIS ART DECO MURAL TRANSFORMS THE VAULT ROOM INTO A WARM AND INVITING SPACE THAT BLENDS ELEGANCE WITH STORYTELLING. FEATURING RICH TONES, GEOMETRIC PATTERNS, AND A STRIKING DEPICTION OF A VAULT DOOR, THE DESIGN PAYS HOMAGE TO THE BUILDING'S PAST WHILE CELEBRATING CREATIVITY. AS A COLLABORATIVE PIECE, MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY WILL HELP BRING THE MURAL TO LIFE BY ADDING COLOR DURING THE ARTS MARKET, CREATING A MEANINGFUL WORK OF ART THAT REFLECTS THE SPIRIT AND IMAGINATION OF ALL WHO TAKE PART.

**TIME:** APRIL 26, 2026  
10AM-3PM

**LOCATION:** LIBRARY PARKING LOT  
15 S BLACK HORSE PIKE

Help paint a community mural at the Arts Market by adding color to pre-drawn sections and contributing to a shared work of art, creating a lasting piece that reflects the creativity, connection, and spirit of the community. This hands on activity invites residents of all ages to take part in a fun and meaningful experience, turning a simple mural into a collaborative expression of local pride. The event will take place on Sunday, April 26th from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM in the Gloucester Township Library area, located at 15 S. Black Horse Pike, with a rain date scheduled for Sunday, May 3rd. This year's Arts Market will feature art, sustainability initiatives, live art demonstrations, and family-friendly activities happening across multiple locations within the Arts District. Visitors can enjoy Little Blossoms Yoga and a Kids Market in Harwan Park, the Nature Trail Narrative Show and the GT-Rex Recycling Show in Harmony Hall, and a special mural unveiling, seed planting, and pot painting in the Harmony Hall parking lot. The Library parking lot will be filled with craft vendors, live music, and a community painting activity, creating a vibrant space for residents and visitors to shop local, create, and celebrate the arts throughout the day.

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION](#)



## FESTIVE FUN AND TREATS AT GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP EASTER BUNNY BRUNCH



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## GTSUD Responds to Manhole along Orr Road



The Gloucester Township Sewer Utility Department responded promptly after identifying a compromised sewer manhole along Orr Road. Upon inspection, the team determined that the structure required replacement to ensure continued system integrity and public safety. In the interim, the manhole was securely covered with a protective plate. The location of the repair was in the roadway between University Court and the Wawa entrance/exit driveway off of Orr Road. On March 25th, the plan to replace the manhole took place. To complete the work, a portion of Orr Road was closed, and motorists were advised to use caution and urged to use a detour when traveling through the area.

This effort reflects strong coordination among the Gloucester Township Sewer Utility Department, Gloucester Township Public Works, and the Gloucester Township Police Department. Together, these departments developed and implemented comprehensive safety precautions, road work strategies, and traffic control plans to support the project. Their collaboration ensured that the situation was addressed efficiently while minimizing disruptions and maintaining safety for both workers and the public. We thank these departments for the amazing work they do each day for the residents of Gloucester Township.

## 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 [dmay-er@glotwp.com](mailto:dmay-er@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!

*David R. Mayer*



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