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Township Turns \$7 Million in Land into \$87 Million for School Improvements

The Township of Woodbridge recently purchased two parcels of property in the Avenel section of town – the 54 acre site of the former Woodbridge Developmental Center (\$5 million) and an adjacent nine-acre piece of property from Conrail (\$2 million).

Recognizing the need for warehouse space in our area, and recognizing that warehouses provide jobs and significant tax revenue without being a burden on our municipal or school budgets, we went through a competitive process to obtain a developer for the site. Sixteen responses were received and the Township is now in negotiations with the selected developer and we expect to close title to the parcels in the very near future. We also said that educational and health care uses would be appropriate with a specific ban on residential development.

The selected developer has an option to purchase the Premier Die Casting site in front of the property on Rahway Avenue. This six acre site is a perfect location for a new and larger Avenel School 4/5, which is now one of the oldest schools in the Township with limited amenities for recreational uses by students. The developer has agreed to demolish the Premier building and clean it up to educational standards and donate it to the Township as part of their financial bid package and the Township will then donate the land to the Board of Education for the school site. The developer is also in negotiations to purchase other land near the site where the Township could potentially have a health care facility which would be a tremendous benefit to residents of not just Avenel but the entirety of



Mayor John E. McCormac, Caroline Ehrlich, Executive Director, Woodbridge Redevelopment Agency and Marta Lefsky, Director, Department of Planning & Development at the Woodbridge Developmental Center site.

Woodbridge.

The Township of Woodbridge has a unique relationship with our Board of Education in that we cooperate in ways not seen anywhere in the State of New Jersey. We perform multiple tasks for the Board including custodial services, computer operations, garbage collection, snow removal, tree trimming, parking lot paving and many others. The Board allows us the use of their fields and gymnasiums and we allow them to use our Woodbridge Community Center ice rink and indoor swimming pool and other recreational facilities.

We took that relationship to a new level from 2013-2015 with the passage of four ordinances totaling nearly \$40 million which allowed us to construct turf fields (football/soccer, baseball and softball), outdoor tracks, tennis courts, gymnasium flooring, elementary school playgrounds, auditorium seating and the Theater at Woodbridge Middle School. These improvements benefit not just school children but the entire

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One Community”

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Meet the Municipal Council



(L-R) Councilman Gregg Ficarra (At-Large); Councilman Brian Small (At-Large); Councilman Kyle Anderson (At-Large); Council Vice President Lizbeth DeJesus (At-Large); Council President Cory Spillar (3rd Ward); Councilwoman Debbie Meehan (5th Ward); Councilwoman Nancy Bader-Drumm (1st Ward); Councilman Howie Bauer (2nd Ward) and Councilman Virbhadra N. Patel (4th Ward).

A Township Remembers: Woodbridge Honors First Responders

The Municipal Council and the Woodbridge Interfaith Clergy Council hosted “A Township Remembers: 9/11 Interfaith Memorial Service” in recognition of the 18th Anniversary of the September 11, 2001 attacks on the World Trade Center, Pentagon, and the heroic actions of the citizens aboard United Airlines Flight 93.



The 9/11 Memorial at Woodbridge Town Hall stands as a tribute to the residents who perished in the Attack on America on September 11, 2001.

The service remembered the nine Woodbridge Township residents who tragically lost their lives in the 9/11 terror attacks and recognized the Woodbridge Township first responder community and the many faiths and ethnicities that make Woodbridge one community.



Woodbridge Township firefighters offer a Salute in honor of the 2,977 persons who perished on September 11, 2001.

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ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor:

John E. McCormac

Municipal Council:

Council President:

Cory Spillar, Third Ward

Council Vice-President:

Lizbeth DeJesus, At-Large

Nancy Bader-Drumm, First Ward

Howie Bauer, Second Ward

Virbhadra N. Patel, Fourth Ward

Debbie Meehan, Fifth Ward

Kyle Anderson, At-Large

Gregg M. Ficarra, At-Large

Brian Small, At-Large

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

All Numbers Area Code 732

Town Hall	634-4500
Mayor's Office	602-6015
Woodbridge Police	
Department	634-7700
Municipal Clerk	602-6007
Municipal Prosecutor	634-4500
Municipal Court	636-6430
Office of Emergency	
Management	602-7361
Tax Collector	602-6010
Tax Assessor	602-6002
Engineering	602-6047
Building Department	602-6003
Housing Department	602-6009
Woodbridge Public Library	634-4450
Barron Arts Center	634-0413
Health Department	855-0600
Public Works	738-1311
Parks & Recreation	596-4048
TV-35	602-6079
Woodbridge Community	
Center	596-4170
The Club at Woodbridge	634-5000
Avenel Performing	
Arts Center	314-0500
Curtains Restaurant at APAC	554-1960
Multi-Services Program	726-6262
Evergreen Senior Center	726-6261
Sycamore Senior Center	726-7087
Five Branches Senior	726-6276
Cypress Recreation	596-4116
Senior Transportation	
(STOW)	726-2394

Report from the Municipal Clerk's Office

By John Mitch, Municipal Clerk

Nov. 5 is General Election Day Cast-A-Can-When-You-Cast-Your-Vote

The Municipal Clerk's Office will be open and at work on General Election Day – Tuesday, November 5.

Voters are reminded to bring their Sample Ballot with them to the polls. It includes information on where you go to vote and a complete list of candidates seeking election to all offices – national, state, county, municipal and school board.

Voters can verify registration by contacting the Middlesex County Board of Elections at 732-745-3471. Polls are open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Visit to the Woodbridge Township web page at: www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us (Departments/Clerk's Office) for voting information.

And, speaking of voting – *The WB News* reminds readers that students from Woodbridge, Colonia and JFK High Schools will again coordinate the Township-wide Cast-A-Can-When-You-Cast-Your-Vote food drive.

So, before you leave home to vote on Tuesday, November 5, grab a can (or two or three) for drop-off at your polling location before you vote. Donating non-perishable food is a great way to help our less fortunate friends and neighbors as we approach the upcoming holiday season.

**CAST-A-CAN
CAST-A-VOTE
ELECTION DAY FOOD DRIVE**

DATES: Tuesday, November 5, 2019
PLACE: Woodbridge Township
Voting Locations

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COUNCIL ON THE MOVE

Council President Cory Spillar Announces Avenel's Very Merry Holiday

Council President Cory Spillar announced the Avenel Very Merry Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony is set for Sunday, November 24 from 4 - 6 p.m. at the Avenel Firehouse. Join Avenel residents, neighbors and other friends for a festive start of the holiday season.



Back-to-School with Council Vice-President Lizbeth DeJesus

Council Vice President Lizbeth DeJesus spearheaded the Back-to-School backpack program that provided much-needed school supplies to Township elementary school students. The New Jersey Turnpike Authority supported the effort with 50 fully-stocked backpacks. Thank you to all who contributed so generously.

Councilwoman Debbie Meehan Hosts Colonia Holiday Tree-Lighting

Councilwoman Debbie Meehan and the Colonia Business Community will host the annual Christmas Tree-Lighting and Holiday Petting Zoo (Camel, Sheep, Deer and More) at the Evergreen Center on Thursday, December 5 at 6 p.m.

Join Colonia neighbors for a festive start of the holiday season. Please bring a toy for the Toys-For-Tots collection and non-perishable food items for the We Feed Woodbridge Holiday food collection. See you on Inman Avenue!



Councilwoman Drumm Advances WMCC Restaurant Week

Councilwoman Nancy Drumm and the Woodbridge Metro Chamber of Commerce announced "Woodbridge Restaurant Week: A Taste of Ten Towns." Woodbridge Restaurant Week is set for November 11-17. Dozens of Woodbridge restaurants will offer special menus and specialties throughout the week. Visit www.woodbridgechamber.com for all the details.



Councilman Gregg Ficarra & Mayor's Wellness Team Advocates Fitness

Wellness Woodbridge is front & center with Councilman Gregg Ficarra. Hundreds of residents participate in the many Wellness Woodbridge events, including the first-ever Mayor Mac Healthy Smoothie competition, the Woodbridge Run for Pizza and the Labor Day Crossroads 5K race and fun run, the annual Tour d' Woodbridge bike tour, Middlesex County Greenway fitness walk, the annual Relay-For-Life of Woodbridge and many other fitness & wellness events and programs. Hustle over to the Township web page at www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us for all the upcoming wellness news and events.





Councilman Anderson Promotes Youth Activities

Councilman Kyle Anderson spearheads the Township Youth Recreation sports leagues through an active leadership role that includes the Broncos Football and Cheer team and Little League Baseball. Councilman Anderson also serves on the Woodbridge Township Athletic Alumni Association, which names former high school athletes to the Township Hall of Fame.

Councilman Howie Bauer Advances Fords Business Community

Councilman Howie Bauer represents the Fords Business Community (FBC), working to advance business interests along New Brunswick Avenue. Councilman Bauer announced the annual Fords Business Community Holiday Tree Lighting ceremony and street festival is set for Saturday, December 7 at 5:30 p.m. on New Brunswick Avenue.

Join Fords residents, neighbors and community for a festive start of the holiday season.



Councilman Virbhadra (Viru) Patel Advocates for Oak Tree Road Shopping District

Councilman Viru Patel has accepted the mission to advocate for the world-famous Oak Tree Road shopping district and the many unique shopping experiences that can only be found there.

The renowned Oak Tree Road merchants offer unique merchandise, clothing, jewelry, the best Asian-Indian cuisine and dining, and a complete shopping experience that can only be found in the Iselin shopping district. Councilman Patel encourages residents and visitors to take advantage of the incredible shopping and to experience the Oak Tree Road Asian-Indian experience.

Councilman Brian Small Spearheads Fundraising for Ryan Terebetsky

Councilman Brian Small led the charge to raise funds to assist in the medical care for Ryan Terebetsky – a seven-year-old 2nd Grade Student at Pennsylvania Avenue School #27 diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia. Over the course of the summer, Councilman Small and the Port Reading Fire Department and community have raised more than \$20,000 to assist in the medical care and expenses incurred by the Terebetsky Family. Our very best to Ryan.



\$87 Million for School Improvements *Continued from page 1*

Woodbridge Township community which utilize the facilities.

The Township is paying the debt service on bonds issued to finance this work through our very successful PILOT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes) program which we have offered to warehouses, power plants and other entities. While many people think that PILOTs mean these companies do not pay property taxes, nothing is further from the truth. PILOTs offer a tax discount, not an abatement, of 15-20 percent off the regular tax payments. In exchange, these companies clean up brownfield sites, aesthetically improve the property and offer hundreds of jobs to our residents.

By law, the Township keeps 95 percent of the revenues collected from these properties and nothing is legally required to be shared with the Board of Education. Nonetheless, the Township has always dedicated more than 25 percent of the monies from PILOTs to the school district. The Township will realize hundreds of millions of dollars from these projects over the next 25 years and we act responsibly by helping the Board of Education improve their facilities.

In addition to the aforementioned projects, we supported a \$57 million school district referendum in 2017 which provided funding for a new Ross Street School, a major renovation to Woodbridge Middle School, a total rehabilitation of St. Cecelia's School to house the students of Kennedy



Park School 24 which is now Oak Tree Road School #29, plus a major investment in school security and new technology. The referendum passed overwhelmingly as Township residents clearly support our school district. The Township agreed to again pay the debt service on the bond issues to support this new construction and improvements. This referendum was entirely paid for by the PILOTs and not by our taxpayers.

The financial windfall from a warehouse on the Avenel site of the two parcels purchased by the Township will be enough to totally support another referendum in 2020 in the amount of \$87 million. The Township expects to receive a sizeable (but still not finalized) cash payment for the sale of the land, plus nearly \$100 million in property taxes (through the PILOT program) over the next 30 years. That's just one warehouse project which can provide enough funding to pay for principal and interest on \$87 million in school bonds which will result in an enormous boost to our school infrastructure at no cost to our property taxpayers.

The money will be used for a new School 4/5 at \$35 million (with an additional capacity of 150 students) plus major additions to other schools. Two schools that currently have separate buildings will be connected into one structure. STEM labs will be constructed in our five middle schools. Computer technology will be enhanced. Interior improvements, including air conditioning, will be replaced or added to many schools.

The most important element of

this massive undertaking, however, will be the commitment of millions of dollars to school security. Nothing is more important than the safety of our children, faculty and staff when they are on school grounds. The school district and the Woodbridge Police Department will review security procedures used nationwide to determine the "best practices" and implement those in Woodbridge.

Aid from the State of New Jersey will likely be sizeable though it is specifically unmeasurable at this time until formal plans are submitted. It is not out of the question, however, that approximately \$10 million of the \$87 million will be paid for by the State.

The warehouse will not be a burden to the residents of Avenel as all trucks leaving the site will be required to go straight to the New Jersey Turnpike at Interchange 12 in Carteret and they will not be permitted to turn right on Rahway Avenue to enter into Woodbridge.

It should be noted that our purchase of the Woodbridge Developmental Center site proved to be fortuitous because in 2017 the State of New Jersey advanced plans to house a Prison for Boys on approximately seven acres of that site. Such an action by the State would have wrecked any plans to develop the property and been a huge detriment to all that the Township has been doing in the Avenel section of the Township – including the Station Village development by the train station with the Avenel Performing Arts Center (APAC) and Curtains Restaurant, the redevelopment of

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From the Mayor's Desk...



WOODBIDGE: The Best Town Around

We have made excellent progress addressing Quality-of-Life issues geared to improve the look and feel of each and every neighborhood. These are improvements that truly make a difference for Township residents.

It is important to note that Quality-of-Life defines a community or neighborhood that encompasses values and expectations near and dear to the heart, such as:

- Quiet and peaceful enjoyment of your home and neighborhood.
- Residential character of the community.
- Safety and welfare of residents.
- Traffic management.
- Quality neighborhood schools.
- Parks and recreation.
- Easy access to shopping, restaurants, entertainment, major roadways and public transportation.

First and foremost, the Township Administration partnered with the School District to complete construction of a new \$30 million Ross Street Elementary School #11 – which opened for the first day of school on September 4. There have also been \$25 million in renovations and improvements to Woodbridge Middle School.

Additionally, the Administration supported the investment of more than \$26 million in new community recreational facilities on school grounds that included new multi-use turf football, soccer, softball and baseball fields, new running tracks, tennis courts and



2019 Mayor's Summer concert audience crowds the Monday Night field.

gymnasium/auditorium improvements at all of the high schools and middle schools.

The Theatre at Woodbridge Middle School was renovated and we installed new playgrounds and recreational facilities at every elementary school. Most importantly, the joint ventures between the School District and the Township Administration successfully allowed for millions of dollars in improvements to school district facilities without any increased cost to taxpaying residents.

Our Quality-of-Life mission continues to move full steam ahead. We have implemented new ordinances that target abandoned and vacant housing - beyond lowering the value of neighboring homes, abandoned and distressed properties cause significant losses in property tax revenue, generate other economic costs for the Township, and represent a real safety issue.

The Municipal Council also passed an ordinance that prohibits the short-term rental of residential properties. The ongoing Township-wide crackdown on illegal housing and property maintenance has resulted in the issuance of thousands of violation notices that have had a visible impact. More importantly, the success of the enforcement program resulted in a decrease in reported illegal apartments and an increase in property owners cleaning-up business and residential properties.

We have aggressively worked to stimulate economic growth and business development, implementing redevelopment projects that created new tax ratables and employment opportunities for Township residents. Dozens of new retail stores, businesses, restaurants and corporate offices have opened their doors in Woodbridge.

We introduced the Woodbridge NOW APP and implemented Buy Local programs that encourage shoppers to visit and patronize our downtown business districts and shopping areas.

We implemented targeted campaigns to slow traffic and reduce speeding in Township neighborhoods and have repaved more than 100 miles of neighborhood streets – which greatly increases neighborhood property values. We stepped-up “Tooling Around the Township”

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and the "Tommy Toolbox" programs that provide FREE home repair and fix-up services to senior and residents with disabilities Township-wide.

As part of the effort to keep Woodbridge communities free of litter and debris, we are regulating the unsolicited distribution of advertising circulars, fliers, newspaper supplements and related advertising papers by creating a Township-wide registry.

Residents can sign-up to limit the delivery of unwanted advertising flyers and circulars. The ordinance is a win-win for Township residents and homeowners tired of picking up dozens of unwanted, unsolicited and unsubscribed-to circulars and flyers that only end up as litter in the driveway, on the front yard, or in the street.

There are many other ordinances and regulations in place that Township inspectors are enforcing every day that truly impact our Quality-of-Life. There are regulations

that limit noise in our neighborhoods, ordinances that prohibit parking of trucks and oversize vehicles in residential communities and regulations that prohibit blowing grass clippings, leaves and debris into the street where wind and passing cars move it all over the neighborhood.

We enforce health requirements designed to keep the restaurants we eat at and the stores we shop in clean and safe. These are just a few of the ordinances and regulations that are in place that help make Woodbridge – and our neighborhoods and communities – better places to live and raise our families.

We're very proud of our Quality-of-Life in Woodbridge – which is why we are "The Best Town Around."

Mayor John E. McCormac

School Improvements *Continued from page 7*

multiple parcels on Route One including Mom's Diner, the Gem Motel, the Star Motel, the Woods apartments and several other unsightly structures that now are a thing of the past, plus the Greens at Avenel housing complex for residents with developmental disabilities.

There is a saying that "A community is known by its schools" and we as the officials of Woodbridge Township want to make sure that the physical infrastructure of our school system is the best it can be. We help our school district because it is the right thing to do. The whole community benefits from great schools and we do not worry about who pays for what as long as the end result is something that is good for all of

Woodbridge Township.

One warehouse can take our school district to the next level. One warehouse that will provide jobs to our residents with no noticeable impact to our community. One warehouse that will provide the revenues to impact each and every school in our district.

We paid \$7 million for land and turned it into \$87 million for our schools. We kept an unwanted development from happening. We prioritized the safety of our school children. We worked with our fellow elected and administrative officials from our Board of Education for the last six years to ensure that Woodbridge Township remains "THE BEST TOWN AROUND."

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Megan Kushpa (megan.kushpa@twp.woodbridge.nj.us)

All Raffle Tickets are due back to the Mayor's Office on Monday, Nov. 18, 2019 (No Exceptions). Tickets will not be honored after the Return Deadline.
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"Shopping Spree Raffle Winners" will be announced at a Public Drawing
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JOHN E. McCORMAC, MAYOR
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SAVE THE DATE: SummerFest 2020 - June 6

Following the tremendous success of the 350th Sesquicentennial Anniversary Festival and outstanding feedback from Festival-goers, we reconvened the 350th Anniversary Planning Committee to put together the 351st Anniversary Celebration – SummerFest 2020! The Outlaws have signed-on as the headline act – stay-tuned for the rest of the concert line-up. And we're looking forward to the return of the famous Iselin Fair Pizza, Beer Garden, Food Trucks, Vendors, Children's Fun Park and Surprise Events & Activities. Saturday, June 6, 2020 – Merrill Park (Iselin). Park opens at 11:00 a.m.

Woodbridge Ranks as One of the Safest Communities in the Country to Raise Children

According to Safewise – an online resource that reports on community safety and security – Woodbridge ranked #23 among the top 50 safest communities in the country to raise children and First in the State of New Jersey. “We say all the time that we have the best police department in the state and we are the Best Town

Around,” Mayor John E. McCormac said. “This national study just proved that. It is a testament to the work of all our Township employees and we are proud that the SafeWise report reflects the demographics that make Woodbridge the safest town in New Jersey to raise children.”



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Mayor Mac's Favorite E-Links



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Mayor's Summer Concerts Performed to Sell-Out Crowds

The 2019 Mayor's Summer Concert series collected more than 50,000 pounds of food for Township food pantries – a new record that provided a huge assist to the Township food pantries working to help families in need throughout the summer.

The Mayor's Summer Concert Series took the stage every Monday with classic Oldies & Doo-Wop followed by Rock n' Roll Tribute Tuesday bands. The performance stage at Parker Press Park hosted the eclectic Woodbridge Wednesday concerts, while Local Band Thursday performed at Tanzman Park and the Country Band Sunday rodeo was in Parker Press Park.

Thousands of residents and neighbors brought their lawn chairs and enjoyed the FREE concerts with family and friends! Have a favorite band? Let us know who you want back in 2020. Visit the Mayor's Summer Concert survey on the Township web page: www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us

(Top) The Duprees take center stage at the Mayor's Summer concert.

(Bottom) WB Wednesday crowd the Parker Press Park stage.



Mayor's Concert Mail Bag:

Dear Mayor McCormac:

I have been going to your Monday Night Concerts (Oldies Night) for the past couple of years and loved them all. Went last night (July 8th) and saw the Johnny Maestro Tribute Band and was blown away. They were absolutely fabulous. You would swear Johnny Maestro was on stage. I think you are doing a great job with these concerts and hope they continue for years to come.

Donna D.

Hi Mayor,

Absolutely LOVED The Doobie Others last night at the high school. Would love to have them back again.

Also had a good time seeing Parrotbeach at Parker Press Park on Sunday night. Thank you for ALL of the great music that you and others put on each summer in the township.

Ken A.

Tooling Around the Township Set for April 25, 2020

Tooling Around the Township - the annual Township-wide fix-up day targeting home repair projects for eligible Senior and residents with disabilities – returns on Saturday, April 25, 2020. The Tooling Crew is taking nominations for fix-it projects and is looking for volunteers to assist in home repair projects.

Visit www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us for all the Tooling information. Call the Tooling Team at 732-602-6015. Or email: tooling@twp.woodbridge.nj.us to nominate a house for repair, to volunteer, donate supplies or become a business sponsor.

Mayor Recognizes Community Volunteers

The Woodbridge community leaders of tomorrow were introduced at the Annual Mayor's Youth Volunteer Award Program at the Woodbridge Community Center (WCC). Mayor John E. McCormac and the Municipal Council recognized Woodbridge Township young people for their community service. The Mayor's Youth Volunteer Award honored 50

Woodbridge Township young adults, representing 35 volunteer and community associations, for distinguished community service. Those honored included faith-based groups, peer tutors, athletic coaches, hospital aides, clothing and food drive coordinators, first aid and fire squad members, volunteers serving and assisting area homeless, and many more incredible residents.



TOOLING MAIL BAG:

To Mayor McCormac & Tooling Around The Township Gang,

Thank you so much for the painting since I am unable to do it anymore.

Linda R.



TOOLING AROUND THE TOWNSHIP is a program that organizes teams of local community volunteers to make repairs to the homes of senior citizens, disabled and low-income residents unable to do so themselves or residents presently facing a financial hardship.

You and/or your organization or business can play an important role in this annual community effort by volunteering a few hours of your time on Tooling day or by donating materials/supplies.

We Need: Volunteers – both skilled and unskilled. (Please complete **VOLUNTEER** Form on website.)

Sponsors/Donations - you can support this project monetarily, by employee volunteers and/or donation of materials such as paint, paint brushes, roofing materials, etc. (Please complete **Sponsors/Donations** Form on website.)

If you or someone you know fits the program criteria stated above and could use the help of this program or would like to volunteer, donate or be a sponsor, please call 732-602-6015. More information can be found on the Township's website www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us or by emailing tooling@twp.woodbridge.nj.us

TOOLING AROUND THE TOWNSHIP IS SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2020



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WEDCO Targets Economic Development

The Woodbridge Economic Development Corporation (WEDCO) continues to connect with international corporations and corporate headquarters, commercial enterprise, businesses and retail outlets looking to make Woodbridge Township their corporate or business home.

WEDCO provides a detailed map of available development and redevelopment opportunities available to the corporate, industrial and business community looking to invest in Woodbridge Township.

Learn more:

www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us/283/Woodbridge-Economic-Development-Corporat

Buy Local for the Holidays: Support Our Economy & Our Environment

For your holiday shopping, remember to shop Woodbridge Buy Local businesses and retail outlets offering special holiday promotions and merchandise discounts to Buy Local shoppers. Check out the great Buy Local specialty shops in any of our downtown areas: Main Street in Woodbridge, New Brunswick Avenue in Fords, Inman Avenue in Colonia, Oak Tree Road in Iselin and Avenel Street in Avenel.



Investing in Woodbridge

The Mayor's Office of Planning & Development, the Woodbridge Redevelopment Agency, Woodbridge Economic Development Corporation (WEDCO), Woodbridge Planning Board and Woodbridge Zoning Board have implemented long-term

economic development strategies and business incentives to attract corporate economic development.

The Mayor's Office works with corporations, commercial industry, the retail sector and local businesses to encourage growth and expansion

throughout the Township. As a result, several significant development and construction projects – demonstrating that corporations and businesses view Woodbridge as a sound investment – are operational or are actively under construction.



Downtown Main Street Business District & Transit Station Plan for the Future

The Woodbridge Redevelopment Agency and the Department of Planning & Development are looking to the future with the Downtown Woodbridge Vision Plan geared to spur redevelopment projects in the Main Street business district and surrounding commercial center.

The Vision Plan creates separate

redevelopment zones to encourage private developers to present ideas as to how the downtown Main Street area can be enhanced. Redevelopment projects are geared to develop the New Jersey Transit/Woodbridge Train Station area as a Transit Village development project.

Experience Station Village at Avenel

The Township of Woodbridge, New Jersey Transit and Atlantic Realty Group combined to make Station Village at Avenel an amazing development. The Avenel train station was renovated, more stops were added to the NJT schedule (weekend stops returned for the first time since 1985) and additional parking lots were purchased and refurbished to keep commuter traffic from our neighborhoods. The luxury apartments are beautiful and are being rented as fast as they are built. The Avenel Performing Arts Center (APAC) and Curtains Restaurant have opened to rave reviews and Avenel Street has never looked better.

Greens at Avenel... Now Leasing



The Greens at Avenel opened to 25 developmentally disabled residents in mid-October. Located at 1450 Rahway Avenue, the 1, 2 & 3-bedroom apartments feature open floor plans, fully-equipped, modern kitchens, inviting community space and outdoor courtyard area. Additional apartments will be occupied by members of the Township special needs community. Visit GreensAtAvenel.com for information.



Jacob's Landing Residential Community Opens New Community Center

Construction of the Jacob's Landing residential community continues to progress with the grand opening of the Community Center Building.

Jacob's Landing – an affordable residential rental community located on the former site of the Woodbridge Garden Apartments complex at Bunns Lane – represents a \$23 million investment in affordable housing.

The community will offer residents ample parking, community space and community social services including mental health counseling, substance abuse programs and a host of medical and legal advocacy services.

All apartments feature spacious layouts, fully-applianced kitchens, oversized windows, HVAC systems, ceramic tile in the kitchen, foyer, and bath, vinyl floors in the living rooms and wall-to-wall carpeting.



“Jacob's Landing represents yet another milestone toward achieving our goal of ensuring that Woodbridge Township residents have access to quality residential options that allow them to affordably continue to live in the Woodbridge community,” Mayor John E. McCormac said. “The grand opening of the incredibly well-appointed Community Center represents the next step in the transformation of the

64 year-old Woodbridge Garden Apartments on Bunns Lane into a vibrant new community.”

It is important to note that no taxpayer funds have been used to construct Jacob's Landing – the entire project is funded through federal and state grants, housing development programs and private investment, the mayor said.

Meet the Colonia Business Community

The Colonia Business Community (CBC) represents Buy Local businesses in the Colonia section



of Woodbridge and serves to provide exceptional retail shopping and professional services to the community and visitors. The commitment of the CBC is to pursue excellence, integrity, trust, ethical behavior, quality, communication, business growth, customer commitment and community service.

To learn more about the CBC, visit www.coloniabusinesscommunity.com

Welcome the Fords Business Community

The Fords Business Community (FBC) - where excellent products, services and community support come



together - is an alliance of businesses dedicated to working together to improve the Fords, Hopelawn and Keasbey business communities. The FBC announced the grand opening of a new municipal parking lot located in the heart of the FBC business district on New Brunswick Avenue. Learn more about the FBC by visiting its Facebook page: [FordsBusinessCommunityNJ](https://www.facebook.com/FordsBusinessCommunityNJ).

Business Round-Up



Plymouth Rock Assurance

Plymouth Rock Assurance announced the opening of its New Jersey Headquarters located at 581 Main Street, Woodbridge, with a ribbon-cutting ceremony.



Heavenly Bodyworks

Heavenly Bodyworks, a complete collision repair facility, celebrated the grand opening of its new body shop located at 158 Amboy Avenue, Woodbridge Twp., with a ribbon-cutting ceremony.



Kessler Rehabilitation Center

Kessler Rehabilitation Center celebrated a one-year anniversary by moving down the road from an office in Colonia to 767 St. Georges Avenue, Woodbridge.



Little Italy

Little Italy, a family-owned franchise restaurant with a passion for pizza and other Italian dishes, cut the ribbon at 61 US Highway Route 1 South, Woodbridge Township.



The Jewelry Exchange

The Jewelry Exchange completed extensive remodeling of its Woodbridge retail store at One Woodbridge Center Drive, cutting a ribbon.



Hometown Nourished

Hometown Nourished, established to help people understand how and why we eat, as we begin a life-long journey beyond food, weight, and body. 485C US Highway 1, Suite 350, Room 104, Iselin.



BCB Bank Woodbridge

BCB Bank prides itself in "Paying it Forward," giving back to the neighborhoods it serves, celebrated its newest location at 378 Amboy Avenue, Woodbridge Township.



Sorrento's Pizzeria

Sorrento's Pizzeria announced the grand re-opening of the restaurant located at 387 Avenel Street, Avenel.



Delta Hotels by Marriott

Delta Hotels by Marriott (formerly known as the Renaissance Hotel) remodeled and rebranded to redefine hospitality. It held an official grand re-opening at 515 US Highway 1, in Iselin.



Jimmy The Barbershop

Jimmy the Barbershop is a family-friendly upscale barbershop that opened its doors in Fords at 466 New Brunswick Ave. with a special ribbon-cutting ceremony.



Rosy's Tex Mex Burrito

Rosy's Tex Mex Burrito is now serving a spicy blend of Southern American and Mexican styled foods at 96 Main Street, Woodbridge.



Malabar Jewelers

Malabar Jewelers, a company now in 10 different countries, found a home in Woodbridge Township to retail gold and diamonds. The store is at 1348 Oak Tree Road.

Woodbridge Targets Sustainable Jersey™ Silver Certification for 10th Year

Let the judging begin!

Greenable Woodbridge has submitted the 2019 Sustainable Jersey certification application and is anticipating the announcement at the annual New Jersey League of Municipalities Conference in November.

Greenable Woodbridge has been named the Sustainable Jersey™ Silver-Level Champion for nine years and has also garnered the first-ever Gold Star in Energy Award.

Woodbridge competes against 448 New Jersey municipalities, including 210 Sustainable Jersey Certified municipalities and 52 Silver-Level certified towns in the Sustainable Jersey competition. For 2019, Greenable Woodbridge is looking to



score a record 1,200 points.

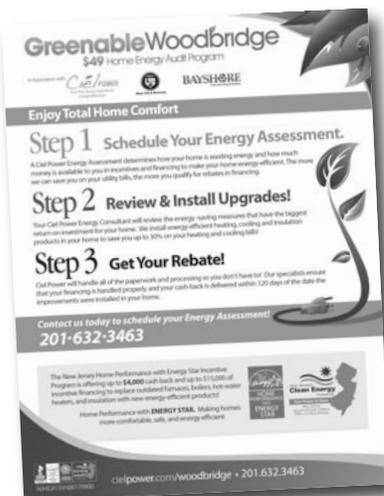
Greenable Woodbridge continues to implement sustainable initiatives and programs, as well as invest in resiliency and system hardening. It is all part of the Township's overall redevelopment efforts and to implement programs that better manage the ways we use energy and other natural resources at work and home.

Greenable for Residents Greenable Woodbridge & Ciel Power Offer Home Energy Assessment Program

Get cash-back and financing incentives through the Greenable Woodbridge Home Energy Audit program.

For a special rate of \$49, Woodbridge Township homeowners receive a comprehensive home energy assessment and may qualify for up to \$4,000 in cash-back incentives and up to \$15,000 worth of incentive financing available through the New Jersey Home Performance with Energy Star program.

This program can help homeowners achieve up to 30 percent savings on energy bills while reducing environmental impact. The program covers upgraded insulation, heating systems, air-conditioning systems, and hot water systems. Contact Ciel Power, the Township's energy assessment provider, at: www.cielpower.com/woodbridge for more information.



Is Your Greenable Woodbridge Buy Local Business a Green Business?



Greenable Woodbridge is on a mission! We're searching for Buy Local Greenable Businesses! Take the Green Business survey to find out if you are a Buy Local Greenable Business. If your business checks-off 10 categories, you earn the Mayor's Greenable Woodbridge Buy Local Green Business Award! Mayor John E. McCormac, the Greenable Woodbridge Green Team and TV-35 will come to your business to present the Green Business Award.

Visit Greenable Woodbridge at: <http://www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us/744/Green-Business>



Greenable Woodbridge

Greenable Woodbridge is Capturing Food Waste from Schools & Township Buildings, Turning it into Energy!

John F. Kennedy Memorial High School, Woodbridge High School, Colonia High School, Iselin Middle School, Fords Middle School, Avenel Middle School and the Woodbridge Community Center are all part of an exciting new program to help reduce the amount of food waste that gets discarded into the waste stream.

Instead of a sad journey to the landfill, discarded organic material (uneaten food scraps and waste) are now deposited into specially-designed food waste containers for collection by the Township Department of Public Works Sanitation Division in specially-outfitted trucks. The food waste is transported to the Waste Management CORE Facility in Elizabeth, where it is processed and turned into energy that serves to reduce Green House Gas (GHG) emissions.

According to Waste Management, one-third of all food worldwide goes uneaten, and as such, this leads to increases in harmful atmospheric gases (GHGs), and tons of waste being sent to landfills. This pilot program seeks to combat that paradigm through a unique approach to best ensure sustainability practices in reference to the manner by which we live our daily lives.

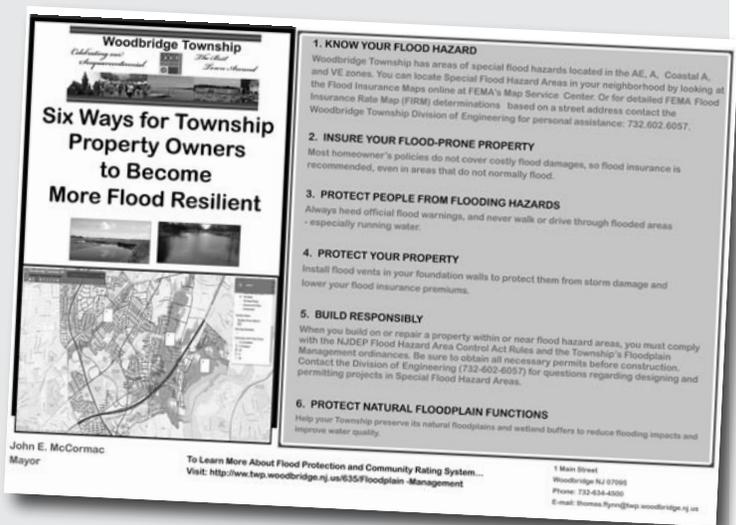
Stayed tuned for more updates on this exciting initiative during the school year!



Know Your Flood Hazards

In the aftermath of Superstorm Sandy, the Woodbridge Township Engineering Division, along with the Department of Public Works and the Office of Emergency Management, initiated various programs designed to assist resident property owners and local businesses recover from the devastating effects of the storm and to prevent continued recurring property losses due to storm-related disasters.

The Township continues to explore any/all initiatives that will aid the community during a potential flood event and have undertaken a variety of measures to help build a more resilient community through floodplain management and restoration. The Township is focused on preparing and implementing monitoring activities that address local flooding issues and addressing drainage maintenance and storm-water management.



Mayor McCormac Announces a 20% Reduction in Homeowner Flood Insurance Premiums

Mayor John E. McCormac reports that as a result of Woodbridge Township's application to the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS), combined with aggressive efforts to address flood zone management, restoration and community outreach, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) verified that the actions undertaken by the Division of Engineering and Floodplain Manager met the criteria for a CRS Class 6 rating.

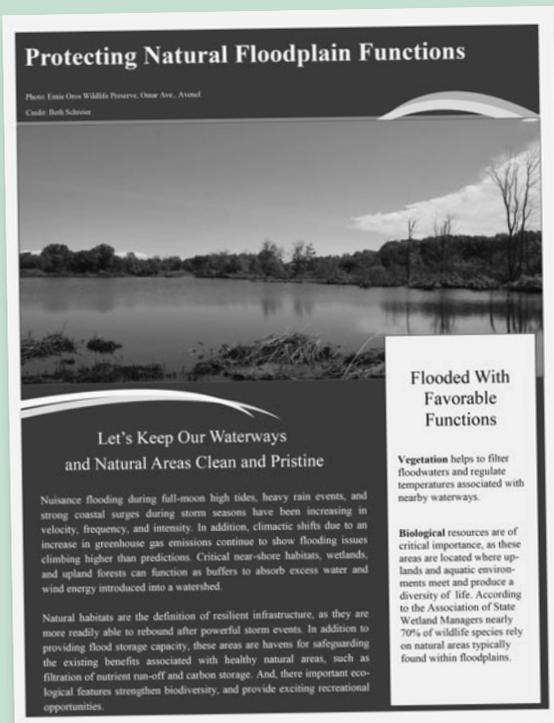
That qualifies for a 20 percent discount in the premium cost of flood insurance for NFIP policies

issued or renewed in Special Flood Hazard areas on or after May 1, 2019.

Residents in Special Flood Hazard areas considered high risk will see a \$415 reduction in the cost of their annual flood insurance policy; residents located in the moderate risk area will see a flood insurance policy discount of more than \$102. It is important to note that the Township Division of Engineering and the Flood Plain Manager will continue to pursue additional measures that may result in further reductions of residential homeowner flood insurance premiums.



Woodbridge River Floodplain Restoration Project Keeps on Planting



The Greenable Woodbridge Green Team (in partnership with Rutgers) has been working throughout the summer and fall in the Heards Brook/Woodbridge River Floodplain Blue Acre Restoration area bordering the Claire Avenue and Watson/Crampton neighborhood.

The restoration work included drill-seeding to promote a wildflower/native vegetation meadow and planting 280 trees/shrubs. When completed, the restoration project will enhance flood storage capacity and biodiversity and increase the aesthetic value and future passive recreational use of the entire flood zone.



Greenable Woodbridge

Beautify Your Environment with a Rain Garden

The Greenable Woodbridge Green Team, working with the Rutgers Cooperative Extension (RCE) Water Resources Program, developed an impervious cover reduction action plan that identifies opportunities to install green infrastructure to reduce the impact of storm water runoff.

Over the last two years, the Greenable Woodbridge Green Team has installed a series of complex rain gardens at three of the five Public Libraries, municipal buildings and school grounds. These projects were so successful that the Department of Public Works, with the help of the RCE Water Resources Program staff and student interns, constructed a rain garden project to manage storm water runoff from Fulton Street.



DID YOU KNOW?

Rain gardens minimize water runoff into storm drains – runoff that courses throughout a watershed and causes sediment, flooding and damage to shorelines. With more

than 44 inches of rainfall in New Jersey each year, 40 rain gardens in Woodbridge Township – each treating 1,000 square feet of

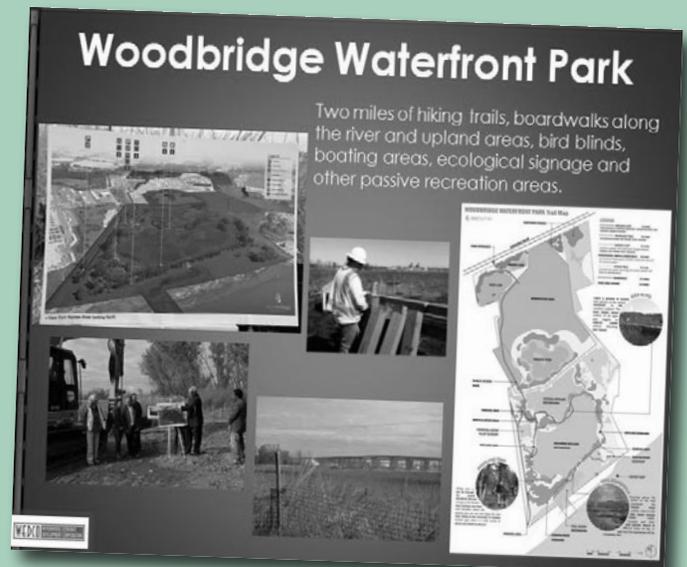
driveway or rooftop runoff – would result in the recharge of more than one million gallons of water per year.

Woodbridge Waterfront Park at the Raritan River

Construction of the Woodbridge Waterfront Park – located on 100-plus acres bordering the Raritan River in the Keasbey Redevelopment Zone – is well underway with the installation of support pilings for the boardwalk trail that will traverse the wetlands/waterfront.

The Woodbridge Waterfront Park wetlands remediation project includes restoration of the natural wetland habitat, the planting of more than two million native plants that will transform the site into a diverse, functioning ecosystem of tidal wetlands, freshwater wetlands and enhanced upland areas.

When completed, the Woodbridge Waterfront Park will allow direct public access to the Raritan River from Woodbridge – something that has not happened since before the turn-of-the-century.



Greenable Woodbridge & Biking: Perfect Together

Bicycling is fast becoming the transportation of choice for bustling centers throughout Central New Jersey – and Greenable Woodbridge is pedaling on the fast-track with initiatives that support bike mobility.

Inter-connected bike travel lanes remove barriers to mobility and increase the safety and comfort of pedestrians and cyclists, broaden

travel options for non-drivers, reduce automobile traffic and increases recreational activity. Biking is an affordable way of incorporating physical activity into daily routines and improves the overall wellness of the Woodbridge Township community.



Woodbridge Township Bicycle Share Program
COMING SOON! In 2019 strategically located bicycle share stations will be situated within the Township! Bicycles will be equipped with secure bike locks and appropriate safety elements such as lights, reflective strips, bells, etc. Bicycles will have baskets or compartments for carrying typical items, such as laptop bags or groceries, and be equipped with kickstands and easily adjustable saddles to accommodate users with a range of heights. The bike share system will provide a smartphone app (iOS, Android) to guide users to nearby stations or nearby vacant docks and to notify users of their time limitations. Log on to www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us to learn more.



Attention Holiday Shoppers...

Take the Pledge to Pass on Plastic Bags and get a FREE reusable grocery bag.

Recycling your plastic bags (grocery, bread, dry cleaning, etc.) is simple and sustainable. Bring your plastic bags to the Department of Sanitation Recycling Convenience Center. Take the Pledge to Pass on Plastic Bags and received your FREE reusable Greenable Woodbridge grocery bag.

I Pledge to Pass on Plastic Bags

I pledge to do the following to stop plastic pollution:

- Refuse plastic bags whenever possible.
- Reduce the use of throw-away plastics.
- Reuse sustainable items like canvas bags, and
- Recycle appropriately.

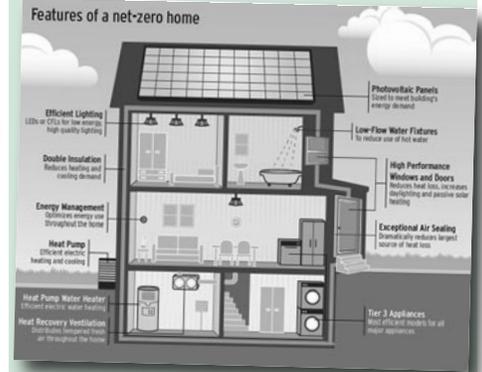
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GREENABLE WOODBRIDGE

I know that my actions and choices have an incredible impact on our local and global environment. That is why I pledge to choose sustainable and reusable packaging whenever possible, and reuse and recycle to ensure a reduction in plastic pollution. Local campaigns like "I Pledge to Pass on Plastic Bags" strengthen waste management initiatives that address pollution and support sustainable resources.

Sincerely, _____

Mayor John E. McCormac



Reduce Your Carbon Footprint at Home

- Set your thermostat at no more than 68 degrees in the winter and no less than 78 degrees in the summer to cut carbon dioxide (CO₂) by 10 to 30%.
- Keep cool with shades and blinds and cut CO₂ by another 10 to 30%.
- Replace incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent light bulbs and cut CO₂ emissions by
- Wrap the hot water heater with a thermal blanket and reduce CO₂ by 10 to 30%.
- Install a programmable thermostat to cut CO₂ by 10 to 30%.
- Weatherize your home by sealing doors and windows for another 10 to 30% reduction in CO₂.



Greenable Woodbridge

Green Links

Greenable Woodbridge is now on Facebook at www.facebook.com/pages/GreenableWoodbridge/183102700923?ref=nf.

Visit Greenable Woodbridge at www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us.

Join the Green Team or to share your green ideas. E-mail: wbgreen@twp.woodbridge.nj.us.

Greenable Woodbridge Supports Sustainable Business

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Sustainable Jersey Solar Challenge
The Woodbridge Solar Challenge is a Township-organized program to encourage homeowners and businesses to go solar. Woodbridge Township has partnered with Sustainable Jersey, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit and EnergySage, an online marketplace to help you obtain & compare solar quotes from pre-screened solar installers and financiers. Visit: www.woodbridgesolar.com or email WBSO-LAR@twp.woodbridge.nj.us for information. The Challenge ends May, 2017 - So call today!

NJ Sustainable Business Registry
The New Jersey Sustainable Business Registry is a no-cost way to promote and distinguish your business from your competition, and demonstrate concern for the environment, and spur growth. For more information visit www.registry.njibdc.com

Direct Install
Created specifically for existing small to medium-sized facilities, Direct Install makes it easy and affordable to upgrade to high efficiency equipment. The program pays up to 70% of retrofit costs, dramatically improving your payback on the project. If interested, please contact Alan Rhode of Tri-State Light & Energy, Inc. at 610-789-1900 x226 and through email at: asr@tsle.com.

Electric Vehicle Charging Stations
It Pays to Plug In: NJ's Electric Vehicle Workplace Charging Grant Program provides grants to employers to offset the cost of purchasing and installing electric vehicle charging stations. Upon completion of work in accordance with the eligibility criteria, N.J. DEP will reimburse each applicant as follows: up to \$250 per Level 1 charging station and up to \$5,000 per Level 2 charging station. Applicants will be considered on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information visit: www.drivegreen.nj.gov

Logos for: drive green, GREENABLE WOODBRIDGE, TRI STATE, drive green, WOODBRIDGE NOW, and Mayor John E. McCormac.



Welcome to the Ernie Oros Wildlife Sanctuary at the Pin Oak Forest in Avenel – a conservation/recreation area dedicated to Ernest L. “Ernie” Oros, former Assemblyman, Woodbridge Township Municipal Councilman, environmentalist, founder of the Woodbridge River Watch and preservationist of the Pin Oak Forest.

The Ernie Oros Wildlife Sanctuary encompasses 99 acres of wetland habitat, wooded area and open space. The River Watch continues to oversee the efforts to preserve the forest and wetland area as an environmental resource and wildlife sanctuary.



Welcome Home: Rich Oros and Roberta Martin (caretakers of the Ernie Oros Wildlife Preserve) unveil the Welcome Home sign at the entrance to the Oros Preserve.



More than 100 Eco-Bio Blitz teams patrolled the Ernie Oros Wildlife Preserve to identify hundreds of species of wildlife, flora and fauna.



Mayor John E. McCormac outlines the Township's nationally-recognized Blue Acres/Flood Restoration Project with a reporter from PBS.

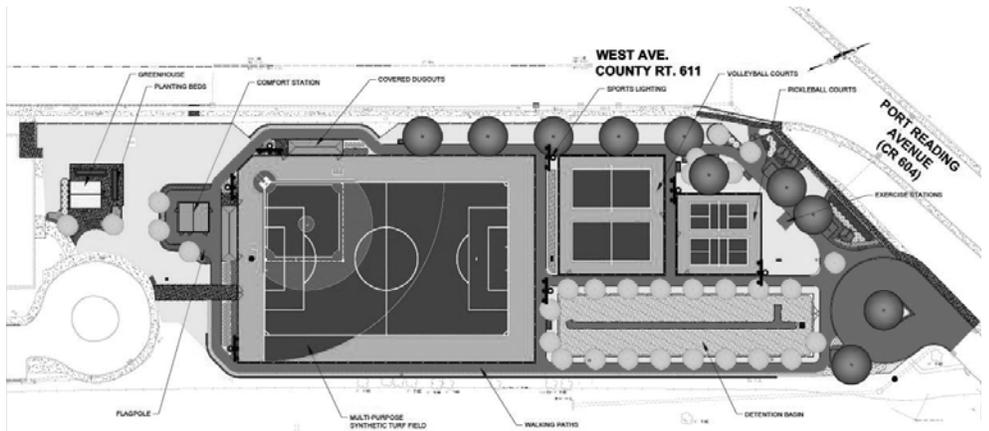
COMING SOON: Cypress Park

Mayor McCormac Targets \$1.5 Million Grant to Expand Special Needs Facilities

Mayor John E. McCormac reports that a \$1.5 million Recreational Facilities Special Needs Improvement state grant will be used to construct a new level playing field and fully-accessible recreational facilities and playground apparatus specifically designed for children with disabilities (or not) at the Cypress Recreational Center located in Port Reading.

The Cypress Recreation Center is home to the Our House program, a private, non-profit 501©3 organization that provides innovative program, employment and recreational services to individuals with developmental disabilities.

The Cypress Park level playing field and fully-accessible facilities will provide people of all ages, abilities, skills with great experiences to play sports and activities. The custom-designed fields and facilities will include wheelchair access ramps and equipment that is fully compliant with federal, state, county and municipal safety standards.



NOW SERVING: Mayor Mac's Café at Cypress

Mayor Mac's Café at the Cypress Recreation Center is open for business. The welcoming Café staff – outfitted in blue Mayor Mac aprons – are students from the RISE Program (Reaching Individual Student Excellence). The special needs students proudly service the Café as hosts, cooks, waiters and waitresses and clean-up staff – all while receiving job training and workplace preparation in the restaurant and food service industry. The Café and staffing was made possible through a \$45,000 grant from the Kessler Foundation.



Woodbridge Community Center

Total Health, Fitness & Wellness Begins at the WCC

Looking for that special Wellness holiday gift?

Take advantage of a Holiday Family Membership at the Woodbridge Community Center (WCC) – our community's recreation, entertainment, fitness/sport and cultural center. WCC membership packages are available in all shapes and sizes. Check out the Family Membership or an Individual Membership. Join today and receive a FREE WCC Gift.

The WCC is at the leading edge of what's hot in the health, wellness and fitness industry. WCC members are going strong and getting in shape with the popular LesMills Group Effect exercise classes and personal training program.

The WCC also offers a full aquatics program with swim lessons for all ages, a competitive swim team, roller and ice skating lessons, ice hockey, open skate sessions, weight and aerobic center, personal training & fitness programs, a full-court gymnasium, basketball court, indoor track, and so much more.

Perfect your swing – baseball or softball – at the 3-cage batting center. And, after taking batting practice, tee-off at SkyLine Mini-Golf – the best and most challenging mini golf course in Central Jersey.

See us on Facebook • Stop by the WCC at 600 Main Street, Woodbridge

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Vito Cimilluca, Director



WCC: World Class Ice & Roller Skating

The WCC Ice Skating Rink is Middlesex County's favorite year-round indoor ice skating and hockey rink.

The WCC Ice Rink operates seven days a week and welcomes skaters of all ages and ability levels for general skating sessions, ice hockey, league play, birthday

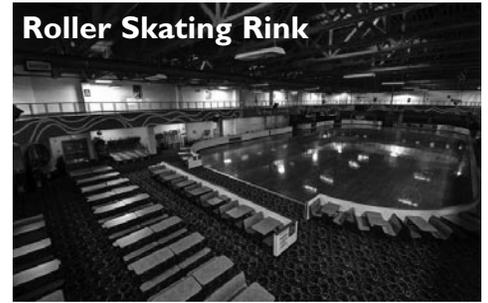


parties, special events and more.

The WCC offers open public skate on Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays, as well as special holiday and feature skates with skate rentals (figure and ice hockey) in all sizes. Don't miss out on the "Friday Night Cosmic" skate session. The lights are turned down and we play the best skating music under our spectacular light show.

The WCC Roller Skating Rink is recognized as one of the premier roller rinks in the country.

From our state-of-the art sound and lighting systems to the latest in electronic video games, the WCC



Roller Skating Rink is sure to please all ages. Public Skating, Birthday Parties, Group Outings, Private Events & Fundraisers, Skating Lessons – the list goes on and on. So, for a great day (or night) of fun with friends and family, come join us at the WCC Roller Skating Rink.

It's All Happening at The Club

The Club at Woodbridge is now part of the Woodbridge Township Recreation Family – and we're offering an incredible menu of health, wellness, fitness and entertainment programs, events and happenings to members and guests.

The Club is the perfect complement to the Woodbridge Community Center (WCC) right across Main Street. Both facilities have a pool, running track, cardio rooms, weight rooms, concession areas and child care functions. Both run summer camps for kids and personal training and other amenities. The Club has racquetball and badminton, while the WCC has a hockey rink, roller rink, mini-golf course and batting cages.



Explore all The Club has to offer at: www.theclub.org.

Experience the WCC SkyLine Pavilion & Corporate Center Book Your Corporate Seminar, Business Retreat or Outing Today!

The WCC hosts Corporate/Office outings, including birthday, anniversary & Project Graduation parties or a party for that special occasion!

Your special event party comes with the full-service, in-house WCC Café and catering. Contact our Membership Services Coordinator at **732-596-4196**, or visit our webpage at: www.njwcc.com. See us on Facebook, or stop by the WCC at 600 Main Street, Woodbridge.

Looking for a unique place to hold a great corporate event?

WCC Skyline PAVILION & WOODBRIDGE COMMUNITY CENTER

The SKYLINE PAVILION and The WCC offer a fantastic, full service, off-site location for your next corporate outing.

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Please contact Martina Wenger, Event Coordinator for details, pricing, and available dates. 732-596-4108
martina.wenger@twip.woodbridge.nj.us

600 Main Street, Woodbridge, NJ 07095
www.njwcc.com

Recreation Department Posts Winter Program Schedule

Whether its recreation programs and events for Men & Women or Boys & Girls, it's all at the Woodbridge Township Department of Recreation.

Check out the list of adult recreation:

- Men's Basketball
- Karate
- Co-Ed Volleyball
- Adult Middle Eastern Dance Class

There's also plenty for the kids:

- Games, Sports & Fun
- Little Actors Class
- Ballet & Dance Classes
- Tennis Classes
- Buddy Ball Sports, Special Hockey and Challenge Bowling for our challenged athletes.

Or sign-up for any of the dozens of programs and sport events for one-and-all. Check out what's new at for the upcoming Winter season. Visit www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us or call 732-596-4047 for a complete listing of what Woodbridge Recreation has to offer!



Parks & Recreation Join Team LeGrand

Woodbridge Township Parks & Recreation teamed-up with Wellness Woodbridge and Team LeGrand to fund and construct a state-of-the-art exercise and fitness course at the Eric LeGrand Park in Avenel.

The exercise equipment allows users to download instructional videos to a smartphone for maximum workout benefit. Joining Eric LeGrand to unveil the park were Councilman Gregg Ficarra (Wellness Woodbridge guru), Mayor John E. McCormac, Council President Cory Spillar and George Brew (Parks Department).



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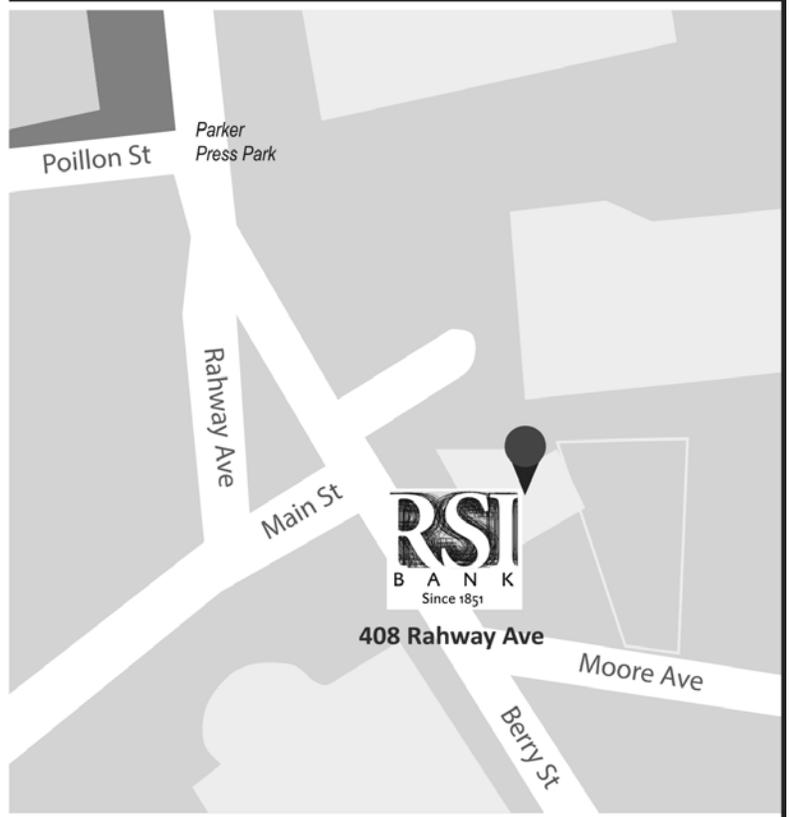
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Woodbridge Branch Hours

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Friday		8:00 am - 7:00 pm
Saturday		9:00 am - 1:00 pm
	Drive Thru	
Mon - Thurs		7:30 am - 6:00 pm
Friday		7:30 am - 7:00 pm
Saturday		9:00 am - 1:00 pm

HEALTH REPORT



The Woodbridge Township Department of Health & Human Services provides comprehensive health care programs designed to meet the diverse needs of our community. The Health Department offers a wide-range of preventative health care services, ongoing medical screening programs and tests and special health and wellness events designed to promote and ensure the continued wellness of the entire community – from the youngest child to our senior residents.

Throughout the year, the Health Department supplements programs with special initiatives that include the Mayor's Health Expo, Public Health Week, Women's Health & Fitness Day, annual Flu and Pneumonia inoculation clinics and various seminars and programs geared to the health and wellness of all Township residents.

A healthy community is a strong and vibrant community and every resident is encouraged to take advantage of the many health-related events and programs provided by the dedicated and professional staff at the Department of Health & Human Services.



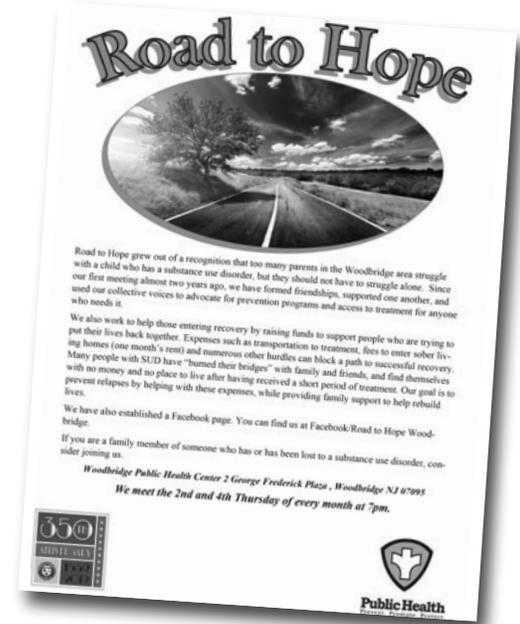
Health Department Targets Opioid Addiction, Peer Recovery

The Department of Health & Human Services has embarked on a mission to attack the opioid addiction crisis through an aggressive one-on-one assistance program geared to save the lives of residents caught-up in opioid addiction.

The Addiction Services Division and Peer Recovery Coach Program – under the leadership and direction of Dr. Bonnie Nolan – stand as the model in New Jersey. The program collaborates with JFK Hospital in Edison, Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital Rahway and Hackensack Meridian Health and private sector group recovery specialists to assist Township residents suffering from opioid addiction.

Additionally, the program provides addiction response, intervention and social services and programs to seven other municipalities – Edison, Perth Amboy, South Amboy, Sayreville, Old Bridge, Carteret and New Brunswick – as many struggle to deal with the opioid epidemic.

In 2018, Peer Recovery coaches responded to more than 280 calls for



service and provided intervention and follow-up treatment to 109 patients, with 87 patients successfully completing intervention which calculates to a 79 percent success rate – all in the first year of the model program. The Addiction Services team helped save the lives of those 87 patients. That is a tremendous and REAL life-saving program.

If you would like help for yourself or a friend or family member who may have a substance use disorder, please call Addiction Services at 732-596-4199.

Mayor's Council on Physical Fitness Announces Grant Program

The Mayor's Council on Physical Fitness & Sports announces the availability of grants for innovative wellness projects. Eligible applicants can apply for a grant from \$500 to \$1,500 per project. Wellness projects include programs, activities, or public events designed to encourage individuals of any age to learn about or participate in activities that promote healthy and physically-fit lifestyles. For more information on the grant program, visit www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us.

Health Department Posts Winter Clinic Schedule

The Health Department's Nursing Division provides health clinics and medical services for residents. Call 732-855-0600, ext. 5012 for more information.

Child Health Conference:

Physical examination, health counseling and immunizations for children.

Clinic fee: \$10. By appointment only.

STD Clinic & HIV Testing:

Sexually transmitted disease (STD) screening, examination, counseling and treatment.

The clinic fee is \$10 for Township resident with proof of residence and \$25 for non-resident and it's held the first, second and third Thursdays of each month from 1:15-2:15 p.m. It's also held the last Thursday of the month from 4:30-6 p.m. at the Woodbridge Health Center.

The Rapid HIV testing for those 13 years or older is free and available through appointment only.

For more information, call 732-855-0600, ext. 5012.

The PAP clinic is available by appointment only and the clinic fee is \$15.

Adult Health Services:

Hypertension screening and blood pressure test. It's available the fourth Tuesday of each month from 2-3 p.m. at the Woodbridge Health Center, the second Monday of each month from 10-11 a.m. at Evergreen Senior Center and the third Tuesday of each month from 9-10 a.m., alternating between Fords Library and Town Hall.

Adult Vaccine (over 18):

For the adult vaccine for shingles, hepatitis B and others for those 18 or older, the clinic fee is \$24. Call for appointments at 732-855-0600, ext. 5012 (uninsured only).

School Age Physicals:

Physicals are available for children new to the school district without insurance, ages 6 through high school, who come with a parent. The clinic fee is \$10. Call 732-855-0600, ext. 5012 for an appointment.

Child Immunization:

Immunization is available for school-age children with no insurance. The clinic fee is \$10. Call 732-855-0600, ext. 5012 for an appointment.



\$650,000 Grant Helps Woodbridge Spread Recovery

The Woodbridge Township Department of Health – Division of Addiction Services received a \$650,000 'Pathways to Recovery' grant from the New Jersey Division of Mental Health & Addiction Services and the New Jersey Division of Labor & Workforce Development dedicated to helping people affected by the opioid epidemic get back to work through Project RESET (Recovery Employment Solutions Education and Training).

RESET involves Woodbridge Township Addiction Services, Middlesex County Workforce Development, Middlesex County College and Mainstream Recovery by offering employment support services to people affected by the opioid epidemic.

The funding is not just for people with substance use disorders, it can

also be used for people who have been affected by the opioid epidemic in other ways. For example, a caregiver or spouse may be unemployed or underemployed as a result of a loved one's opioid addiction.

Under this grant, people in these situations would be able to receive training, referral to job openings, transportation, and even childcare.

Visit: <https://www.mainstreamrecovery.com/reset> for more information.

The Division of Addiction Services is also participating in a program spearheaded by the Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office entitled Operation Helping Hand, which provides funding to law-enforcement agencies to support police officers assisting people with substance use disorders obtain



assistance.

In Middlesex County, the funding is being used for Project Blue Cares. Recognizing that Woodbridge already has Recovery Coaches intervening when a person experiences an opioid overdose, the Prosecutor's Office partnered with the Addiction Services Division to spread this program throughout the county. Anyone in Middlesex County can reach a Recovery Coach and find help using the Blue Cares Hotline: 732-596-4199.

Mayor's Wellness Campaign Promotes Healthy Lifestyle & Fitness

The Mayor's Wellness Campaign hosts events and programs that challenge Township residents to engage in a healthy and active lifestyle.



The Mayor's Wellness Campaign, under the direction of Councilman Gregg Ficarra and in partnership with the Departments of Health & Human Services and Recreation, the Mayor's Council on Physical Fitness, the Woodbridge Community Center (WCC), The Club at Woodbridge, the Woodbridge Township School District and Township businesses and corporations committed to wellness, have put together a series of health and wellness events that are sure to get everyone up and running.



The best source for what's happening in Woodbridge Township with just one touch.

HealthWATCH

The Club at Woodbridge welcomed Hackensack Meridian Health JFK Johnson Rehabilitation Institute to a grand opening at its newest rehabilitation care and physical therapy treatment center.



Peter Barcellona, Executive Director, We Feed Woodbridge, was the invited guest of Gov. Phil Murphy and Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin at a State House Bill-Signing ceremony. The program provides funding and support to various hunger assistance programs. We Feed Woodbridge has been at the forefront of addressing the needs of Woodbridge Township residents.



More than 300 runners crossed the finish line at the annual Woodbridge Run for Pizza.



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The Barron Report



Why travel to New York City or Philadelphia to experience art, culture, music and first-rate entertainment? It's right here in Woodbridge at The Barron Arts Center (BAC)!

Here's a sample of what's on tap for the Fall/Winter entertainment season at The Barron.

The ever-popular Poets Wednesday presents a Holiday Celebration with poetry readings and a workshop. Explore new and returning painting & drawing classes for artists of all ages. Sign-up for Cartooning 101 – an introductory course that focuses on the basics of drawing your own cartoon characters!

Visit www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us for complete listings and registration details on all of The Barron's exhibits, concerts, classes, events and programs.

Call **732-634-0413** or check out The Barron on Facebook and Twitter.



... And, More from The Barron

There is FREE admission for all Barron events and concerts (\$5.00 suggested donation is always appreciated.)

The Barron continues to give back to the community throughout the entire year by collecting non-perishable food items and pet supplies for the We Feed Woodbridge food drive and the Woodbridge Animal Shelter &

Pet Adoption Center.

When attending any Barron concert, exhibit or program, please participate in the voluntary program to keep our food pantries stocked and our pets safe and healthy. Get all the latest information on upcoming programs and events by calling **732-634-0413**.

Stop by The Barron to Witness History in the Making

The Barron was awarded a \$54,000 grant from the Middlesex County Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund for the restoration and preservation of its stained glass windows.



You are witnessing History in the Making!

Please excuse our appearance as we give our renowned stained glass some TLC.

Special thanks to Middlesex County, the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders, Woodbridge Township and Mayor John E. McCormac as we restore our stained glass to its original luster.

Some of these windows have not been touched since they were originally installed in 1877. The Barron Arts Center is pleased to be able to share this project with the citizens of Woodbridge Township as we celebrate our 350th anniversary together.

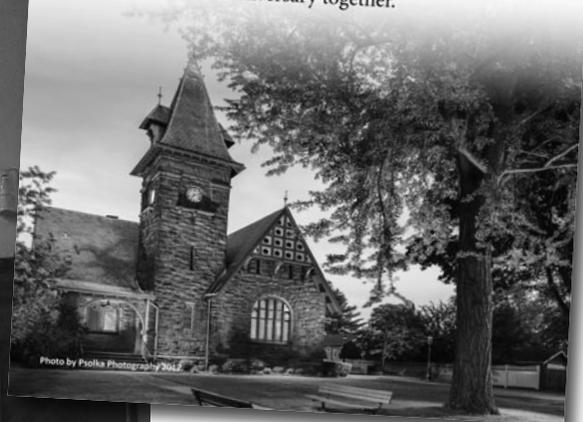


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The Holidays Start at the BAC

The 29th annual Barron Arts Center Holiday Train Display has become the singular stop for the Season-of-Giving food drive. This year, the Barron Arts Center Holiday Train Display is on-track from November 30 – December 30 (Closed Christmas Day.)

When you stop-by to see the incredible train exhibit, plan to drop-off a non-perishable food donation for the Holiday Express. The Season-of-Giving food drive continues at the following “Best Town Around” holiday events and happenings.



NOVEMBER 24 Join Avenel residents and neighbors for a festive start of the holiday season at the 2nd Annual Avenel Very Merry Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony with caroling, photos with Santa and refreshments, as well as community vendors. It's all set for 4-6 p.m. at the Avenel Firehouse, 346 Avenel Street.

NOVEMBER 30 Don't miss the 12th Annual Light-Up Woodbridge & Holiday Stroll on Main Street. Welcome the arrival of Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus with horse-drawn carriage rides, carolers and entertainment, as well as crafts and vendors. You can also shop Buy-Local Main Street merchants and so much more as the event runs from 4-6:30 p.m.

DECEMBER 1 It's time for the 59th Annual Woodbridge Township Holiday Parade. The parade steps-off at 1:30 p.m. from Woodbridge High School and travels to Town Hall.

DECEMBER 5 The Colonia Business Community (CBC) is set to host its own Holiday Festival & Tree Lighting. There will be a live holiday zoo with camels, sheep, deer and more. Watch Santa Claus arrive with the Colonia Fire Department, as there will be holiday crafts, displays, Toys-for-Tots and more, from 5-8 p.m. at the Evergreen Center, 600 Inman Avenue, Colonia.

DECEMBER 6 Here's another great moment, with the Woodbridge Township Christmas Tree Lighting & Holiday Train Show Reception at The Barron Arts Center featuring another appearance from Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus. There will be holiday choral selections presented by the WHS Choir and some surprises, from 5-7 p.m.

DECEMBER 7 Bring your sweet tooth to the Recreation Department's holiday gingerbread cookie decorating from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Parker Press Park.

DECEMBER 7 There's even more fun as the Fords Business Community (FBC) presents its own holiday festival and Christmas Tree lighting at 5:30 p.m. on New Brunswick Avenue.

DECEMBER 9 The Woodbridge Metro Chamber of Commerce (WMCC) will hold its Annual Holiday Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. at the Delta Hotel by Marriott Woodbridge. Visit: www.woodbridgechamber.com.

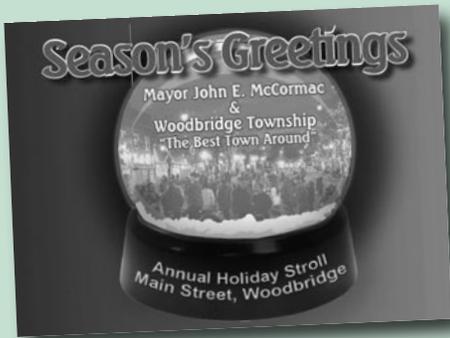
DECEMBER 11 The Barron Arts Center will present Poets Wednesday Holiday Celebration with Featured Reader: Tina Kelley. The workshop is at 7 p.m.; the poetry readings is at 7:30 p.m.

DECEMBER 13 Come back to the Barron Arts Center for a Holiday Concert & Sounds of the Season, with The Jazz Lobsters Big Band at 7:30 p.m. (location to be announced).

DECEMBER 14 The Woodbridge Recreation Department will have photos with Santa. 10 to 11:30 a.m. at Parker Press Park.

DECEMBER 14 It all culminates with the Woodbridge Community Choir Holiday Concert at St. Anthony of Padua Church, 436 Port Reading Ave. Free, but donations are accepted.





Woodbridge is the 'Best Town Around' for the Holidays

Experience the warmth of the holiday season with special holiday programs, events and seasonal concerts right here in Woodbridge, where it's always Happy Holidays & Seasons Greetings!

For information on all of the upcoming holiday events, programs, and concerts, visit our web page at: www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us.

Musical Notes

Dillon Music – a world famous purveyor and dealer of musical instruments located in Woodbridge – recently restored the Harvard University Tuba. The Harvard Tuba was originally produced for the 1889 Paris Exposition. The instrument came to America in 1890 and was purchased by Harvard University in 1948. Steve Dillon displays the “before” and “after” Harvard Tuba.



Woodbridge: The Best Town Around

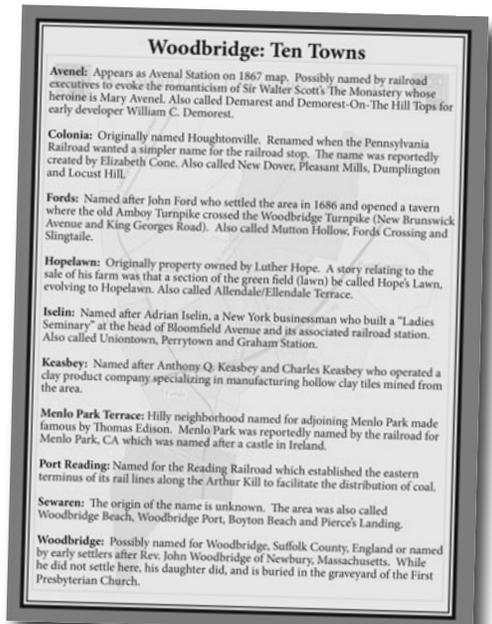
Woodbridge Township, the oldest Township in the State of New Jersey, was chartered on June 1, 1669. Over its 350 years, Woodbridge Township has had many historic New Jersey firsts – from the first drinking of British tea in the Colonies to the site of the first permanent printing press operated by James Parker in 1751.

During the Nineteenth century,



clay mining and brick manufacturing became the major industry of the Township. The municipal seal, adopted on November 11, 1885 by the Town Committee, depicts the prominence of the clay and brick industry. Standing at the Crossroads of New Jersey, Woodbridge prospered over the years, achieving the designation as an All American City home to international corporations, commercial manufacturing and development and a thriving “Buy Local” economy.

Today, 10 separate and distinctive communities make up the fabric and fiber of our Township – Avenel, Colonia, Fords, Hopelawn, Iselin, Keasbey, Menlo Park Terrace, Port

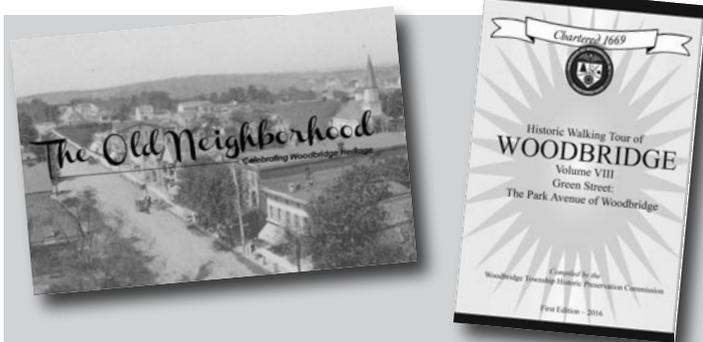
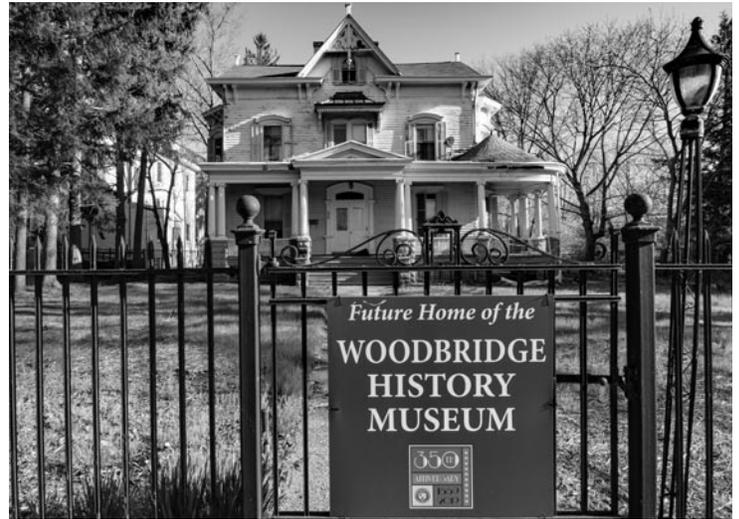


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COMING SOON: Woodbridge Township History Museum

Historic Green Street will see a rebirth with the conversion of a former mansion at 86 Green Street as the new museum home of the Historical Association of Woodbridge Township.

Originally called Woodbridge Avenue, Green Street was a popular thoroughfare from the early 1800s and served as the address of many prosperous Woodbridge citizens. Perhaps named for the adjacent green fields and canopy of stately trees, Green Street is home to elegant Victorian-era homes occupied by a mix of families and business offices – and soon the Woodbridge Township History Museum.



The Old Neighborhood: A Stroll Down Memory Lane

The Old Neighborhood: A Stroll Down Memory Lane – hosted by Woodbridge Township Historian Brenda Velasco – presents recollections of Woodbridge history through the recollections of long-time Woodbridge residents.

The Old Neighborhood series is possible through the support of the Mayor's Office, the Historic Preservation Commission, the Barron Arts Center and the Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund. Stay tuned to the WB News for the next edition of The Old Neighborhood.

Walk the WB History Trail

The Woodbridge History Trail welcomes and informs history buffs and visitors.

The History Trail – 46 historic marker signs – traverses a 1.5 mile loop along North and South Park Drive from Pearl Street to Mobile Avenue on both sides of Heard's Brook in Tanzman Park in downtown Woodbridge. The history signs offer historical accounts of Woodbridge from pre-Revolutionary War to the present. Start your tour at historic Parker Press and walk the historic loop.



History Today & Tomorrow

Want to learn more about Woodbridge history?

Become a member of the Woodbridge Historic Preservation Commission at www.wthpc.org.

Friends of the Libraries Sponsor Museum Pass Program

The Friends of the Library and the Woodbridge Public Library have partnered to offer WPL

patrons a FREE Museum Pass. The Museum Pass includes admission to a selection of the finest museums and grounds in the New York/New Jersey area. The Friends Museum Pass includes:

- The American Museum of Natural History
- Brooklyn Botanical Gardens
- Grounds for Sculpture
- Intrepid Sea Air & Space Museum
- Liberty Science Center
- The Montclair Art Museum
- The Newark Museum
- Monmouth Museum in Lincroft

Passes circulate for seven days and are available at the Woodbridge Main Library. Contact the WPL at **732-634-4450** or visit: woodbridgelibrary.org for more information.



Woodbridge Public Library: Get Your Library Card & Explore the Universe

The Woodbridge Public Library (WPL) has it all with more than 460,000 volumes.

Looking for a good mystery? A how-to on home renovation? A travel guide to anywhere in the world? A must-read biography? You'll find all these and more in the Library's book collection. Access nearly 100 years of Woodbridge history through the special collection of local history materials, photographs and genealogical information or through the online newspaper archive collection.

Did You Know? The Library houses thousands of movies, vintage television shows, music albums and audiobooks – all available for mobile and online access through a new partnership with Hoopla Digital (hoopladigital.com). Patrons can enjoy thousands of titles – from major Hollywood studios, record companies and publishers – available to borrow for instant streaming or temporary downloading to



smartphones, tablets and computers. Hoopla Digital is offered at no cost to patrons and requires only a Woodbridge Public Library card.

Be the first to know about great reads, services and library programs:

Visit the WPL digital library at www.woodbridgelibrary.org/wpdl

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Notable Notary Service at the WPL

The WPL now offers, free of charge, notary public services for the benefit of residents of Woodbridge Township and for Woodbridge Public Library cardholders. The nonresident fee is \$2.50. Call the library at **732-634-4450, x7120**, for more information.



WPL Joins Reciprocal Borrowing Group

Woodbridge residents are now warmly welcomed in Middlesex and Union county libraries to borrow materials through the Mutual Reciprocity Among Libraries (MURAL) agreement. A Woodbridge Library Card will be accepted for lending and select services in 50 area libraries.

Visit woodbridgelibrary.org for a complete list of participating MURAL libraries.



Join the WAG



The Woodbridge Artisan Guild (WAG) Gallery is a non-profit arts group that supports local artists and provides art education and opportunity to artists young and old.

The WAG Gallery (101 Main Street) is an open house for artists housing expanded art programming, gallery and exhibition space and studio/art class space.

The WAG Gallery is a great

location to host a lecture, business luncheon, awards ceremony, holiday party or other event. The art and exhibits provide opportunities for conversation and interest and the downtown Woodbridge location offers plenty of off-street parking with a large studio space for catering.

Make your next event a unique and memorable experience.

Woodbridge Community Choir

If you enjoy singing...
 But Can't Find a Place to Sing Outside of the Shower
 Or
 Need a New Hobby that is Interesting and Rewarding
 Or
 You Just Want to Make New Friends
 Then the Woodbridge Community Choir is for You!!!

The Woodbridge Community Choir is Seeking Enthusiastic Singers of all Experience Levels and Voice (Tenor and Basses are especially welcome) for their Winter Concert

The Choir is open to Adults and High School students. All ages and all levels welcome!
 Rehearsals Every Wednesday Evening at 7:30 PM in the Choir Room at WHS
 No Formal Auditions Required
 We Promise Quality Instruction, Fun & Wonderful Music
 Dues are \$30.00 Per Year to Cover the Cost of Music

Contact Lori Miller at: president@woodbridgechoir.com
 Facebook at: <http://www.facebook.com/WoodbridgeCommunityChoir>

John E. McCormac, Mayor

WAG Gallery: 101 Main Street in Downtown Woodbridge
 Gallery Hours: Tues. - Sat. Noon to 5:00 p.m.
www.woodbridgeartisan.com/index.php

Woodbridge Community Choir is Looking for You

Do you enjoy singing? Can't find a place to sing outside of the shower? Need a new hobby that is interesting and rewarding? Or maybe you just want to make new friends.

Then the Woodbridge Community Choir is for you.

The Choir is seeking enthusiastic singers of all experience levels and voice parts (tenors and basses especially welcome). Make friends. Make memories. Make music. Join today.

For more information contact Lori Miller at: loricaruso@gmail.com or [Facebook.com/WoodbridgeCommunityChoir](https://www.facebook.com/WoodbridgeCommunityChoir).



Adult Painting Classes

Bring your favorite beverage and create a beautiful acrylic painting!

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 7:30-8:30 pm - 9-13 year olds

COST: \$60 for the full 8 week class

John E. McCormac, Mayor
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WAG For Kids: Playful Painting

Looking for a creative birthday party for your budding artist? Why not book a Playful Painting birthday extravaganza at the WAG and get your little one painting soon? Call the Recreation Department at **732-596-4048** to schedule your party.

WAG for Adults: Brushes & Beer Art Classes

WAG invites you to *Paint Like Rembrandt* at Brushes & Beer every Friday at 7 p.m. The classes fill-up quickly.

Avenel Performing Arts Center Celebrates Opening

The Avenel Performing Arts Center (APAC) - the region's newest performing arts center designed for theatre, stage productions and special performances - is welcoming all to the very best entertainment venue in Central Jersey.

The APAC, a multi-disciplinary performing arts center, has energized Avenel and surrounding communities by programming exceptional professional theatre, music, comedy, dance and more.

The APAC features seating for 200 patrons, a separate performance room and pre-function lobby area that opens to exterior space for larger gatherings and events. APAC also features Curtains Restaurant - a stand-alone dining destination available for catered pre-performance and special events.

APAC is possible through the Woodbridge Arts Alliance (WAA) - a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to advocating, activating and animating Woodbridge as a regional destination for the Arts.

The APAC anticipates a leader-

ship role in advancing the Township's art-driven economic plan, which includes enhanced arts programming and education representative of the diverse regional population.

Additionally, the WAA will expand on existing arts activities to further activate Woodbridge Township. The community is now a regional hub for the arts with the goal to inform and build capacities needed to organize and distinguish Woodbridge as an arts destination and to help advance the economic position of artists, creative entrepreneurs and associated entities.

Performance Information and Ticket Reservations are available at www.avenelarts.com or contact the APAC Box Office at 732-314-0500.



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WWW.AVENELARTS.COM OR CALL THE BOX OFFICE (732)314-0500.

NJ Transit Restores Full Service to Avenel/APAC Station

In response to local community requests and in recognition of residential and business growth in Avenel, NJ TRANSIT recently announced the expansion of weekday service and the reinstatement of weekend service at the Avenel Station.

NJ TRANSIT expanded weekday service at the Avenel Station by more than 40 percent, adding a full 11 train stops every day and running a full schedule of weekend service for the first time in 34 years, including 21 stops each day on Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays.

The Woodbridge Township Parking Utility has expanded parking at several locations in close proximity to the NJT Avenel Station and to the APAC and Curtains Restaurant.



- Permit parking for commuters utilizing the Avenel NJT Station is available at a new lot located at 32 E. Pennsylvania Ave. The cost is \$120 per quarter.
- Daily parking is available at the Avenel-Colonia First Aid Squad, 105 Avenel Street, for \$3.00 a day. Daily parking availability is on a first come, first serve basis. On street parking is by Permit Only for residents. Non-residents will be ticketed.
- FREE Parking (permit or daily spots) for patrons attending performances at the APAC or Curtains Restaurant is available after 12:00 p.m. until 5:00 a.m. the following morning weekdays, weekends and designated holidays.
- E-mail: Parking@twp.woodbridge.nj.us or call 732-634-4500 x4532 for Avenel Station parking.

NJ Transit: Avenel Train Station Stops
Avenel Performing Arts Center

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 8:07pm 9:02pm
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To New York/Hoboken/Newark
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Saturday, Sunday, & Holidays
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CURTAINS
 Bar and Restaurant

The Avenel Performing Arts Center and Curtains Bar and Restaurant Now Open

The Avenel Performing Arts Center (APAC), located at 150 Avenel Street, is a multi-disciplinary performing arts center located in Avenel, New Jersey (in Woodbridge Township). Funded by the Woodbridge Arts Alliance, The APAC promises to energize Avenel and surrounding communities by programming exceptional, professional theatre, music, comedy, dance and more.





MAC-E

The Mayor's Advocacy Committee for Education (MAC-E) works to improve the quality of education for the more than 13,000 students attending all 24 Woodbridge Township schools.

MAC-E's mission is to energize the partnership between the local business community, Woodbridge Township schools and the Mayor's Office. It establishes an effective means to impact and enhance the academic experience of students by presenting them with options for real world career opportunities and the skills necessary to productively and successfully participate in today's workplace.

Want to learn more about MAC-E or volunteer? Contact Bernadette Sohler, Middlesex Water Company, at **732-638-7549**.



Welcome to Ross Street School #11

Mayor John E. McCormac and the Woodbridge Township School District Facilities Improvement Project welcomed students, teachers and professional staff and parents to Ross Street School #11 – the first new school to open in nearly 50 years.

The \$30 million, three-story, 87,000-square-foot Ross Street School is centered on a large atrium courtyard providing natural light and a connection to nature. The courtyard houses a small amphitheater for outdoor lessons, several living learning gardens, and seating areas for reading and lunch.

The school promotes various



break-out spaces and flexible learning environments for a variety of learning styles, while equipped with state-of-the-art photovoltaics combined with daylighting strategies to reduce overall energy consumption.

Safe Routes to School

MAC-E knows that the starting point for a great education is getting to and from schools safely.

That's why MAC-E supports the Safe Routes to School program – a nationwide movement to enable and encourage children in grades K-8 to walk and bicycle safely to school. The 3 "Es" – education, encouragement and enforcement – are the foundation of the Safe Routes to School program. Safe Routes to School encourages physical activity that helps develop healthy habits for



students. This year, MAC-E will continue to work with the Board of Education to establish Safe Routes to School at every school in the district.



MAC-E at Work

Youth in Government Day

Students from six area high schools got a first-hand look at the daily workings of municipal government as part of the annual Youth in Government Day. The program brings student government leaders to Town Hall for an inside look at municipal government.

Students participate in an Administration staff meeting; conduct a Council meeting; attend Municipal Court proceedings; and tour the operational departments of Municipal government. Participating students are selected by their Social Science teachers on the basis of leadership abilities, interest in government, and ideas for community participation.



Anthony J. Wilkinson, Executive & Artistic Director, Avenel Performing Arts Center, engages students at Avenel Middle School as he extolls the virtues of an acting and entertainment curricula.

MAC-E & Woodbridge Business Leaders Host Business Discovery Day

For two days in June, MAC-E and Woodbridge Township corporate leaders participated in Business Discovery Day – a District-wide initiative where area business leaders and Township officials visit the classroom as part of American Education Week.

Business Discovery Day allows business leaders to interact with Elementary, Middle and High School students, principals and education officials throughout the Woodbridge School District to obtain a behind-the-scenes look at the quality of schools and caliber of education.

Business Discovery Day also allows educators and school administrators to better understand the types of skills being sought by area employers, latest industry trends, and how to better prepare Township students for future success in area businesses.



Fifth Grade teacher Sue Bazaral invited Mayor McCormac to Pennsylvania Avenue School #27 to participate in “Kahoot” – an online game created by the Fifth Grade Class to celebrate Woodbridge Township’s 350th Sesquicentennial Anniversary. The game targeted the Township’s 350-year history. The Mayor was soundly defeated by the students.

Recycle Coach

Replaces MyWaste,
Same APP, Only Better!

The Recycle Coach APP – customized to your address – puts trash and recycling collection schedules, special collection information and more right at your fingertips! Search the ‘What Goes Here’ database for specific recycling instructions. Keep track of upcoming special collection events – household hazardous waste drop-off, confidential document shredding day, Christmas tree collection, bagged leaf collection and more. Report a waste problem or send comments & suggestions through the APP. Recycle Coach is brought to you by Mayor John E. McCormac and the Woodbridge Township Department of Public Works. Visit the Township web page at www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us for more information.



New & Improved Bulk Waste Collection & Curbside Pick-Up

We’ve updated the Bulk Waste curbside collection program, we’re now offering every residential household a ONE-TIME PER YEAR FREE BULK WASTE PICK-UP. The updated bulk waste collection system is more convenient for resident homeowners and allows the Department of Public Works better manage bulk waste collection. Bulk waste items collected at the scheduled curbside pick-up include: Furniture, Mattresses, Carpeting, Appliances, Electronics (computers, TV’s, etc.) and Mixed Metals. NO Concrete, Asphalt, Brick, Block or Stone, Hazardous Waste, Tires, Paint or Chemicals will be accepted.

Schedule Your Free Bulk Waste Pick-Up

Call the Department of Public Works Sanitation Office at: 732-738-1311 x3600 or the Office of Recycling at: 732-738-1311 x3035. Visit the Recycle Coach APP or the Township web page: www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us for information about the revised residential bulk waste pick-up service. The staff will explain the program and get you on the schedule.

Drop-Off Bulk Waste for FREE at the Public Works Recycling & Convenience Center

Bulk Waste Accepted: Appliances, mixed metal, bulk waste, concrete, asphalt, brick (homeowner repair only; no contractors), brush, leaves, old propane tanks and electronics

(computers, monitors, scanners, laptops, modems, printers, cables, keyboards and televisions)

Drop-Off Hours:

Monday - Friday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Closed on Sunday



Woodbridge Recycling & Convenience Center

Residents & Businesses Responsible to Keep Sidewalks Clear of Snow & Ice

Township residents, businesses and property owners are responsible to keep sidewalks and pedestrian areas free of snow and ice.

Township ordinance requires property owners to maintain clear pedestrian walkways and sidewalks by removing accumulated snow and ice from sidewalk areas within 24 hours after the end of the storm.

Reminder: It is a violation of municipal ordinance to shovel or dump snow in the street. If ice is too solid to be cleared by shoveling, it

should be covered with ice melt, rock salt, sand, sawdust or other appropriate melting or traction-giving agents. Property owners have until 8:00 p.m. the day after the snow storm to clear sidewalks. The pathway must be at least three feet wide or the size of the sidewalk if less than three feet wide. A first offense in a winter season is subject to a fine of \$100.00. Subsequent offenses in the same season can reach up to a \$1,000 fine.

PUBLIC WORKS HOTLINE:

732-726-2325

Call the **PUBLIC WORKS HOTLINE** to report potholes, illegal housing, property maintenance violations or other Township-related concerns.

Keep Storm Drain Inlets & Fire Hydrants Clear Of Snow

Woodbridge Township has more than 400 miles of municipal roadways which are lined with storm water inlets. While the Department of Public Works maintains these inlets, it is extremely helpful for residents to assist the Township by keeping storm drain inlets free of blockages (leaves, debris, snow accumulation, etc.). Similar to storm drain inlets, it is imperative to keep fire hydrants clear of accumulating snow. While each fire department makes every effort to keep fire hydrants accessible in case of an emergency, residents can assist by removing snow from the area around fire hydrants.



Keep Our DPW Workers Safe... Stay Back!



See your tax mailer for the recycling guidelines...

Questions?

Call the Recycling Division at (732) 738-1311 ext. 3049

DPW at Work

DPW's all new **Trash Can Cleaning Trucks** are now serving the community cleaning and sanitizing resident automated garbage and recycling bins. The Sanitation Division is going throughout the Township on garbage and recycling collection days cleaning the bins after pickup is complete. Bin cleaning will run approximately nine months a year (weather permitting) and when the bins are cleaned, a white sticker is attached to advise the resident that the bin has been cleaned. If for some reason a resident or homeowners bin isn't out when the wash trucks go through, the resident can simply call Public Works to schedule their bin cleaning. Call **732-738-1311 x3600** to schedule a garbage or recycling (or both) bin cleaning.



Dear Mr. McCormac,

Thumbs Up and WOW! Just had the Department of Public Works come to the area and clean our Recycle Container by hydro-blasting the inside/outside and steam clean inside to sanitize. Definitely something to be put in the Woodbridge News as an additional service to the Woodbridge residences. Keeping us safe and germ-free! Again, a Job Well Done!

Rich G.
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Single Stream Recycling is Successful!

We're sending a special shout-out to all Township residents! Thanks to you, our Single Stream Recycling Program is working! Single Stream recycling – putting all recyclables (plastic, glass, bottles and cans, cardboard, paper) in the same container – eliminates the need to separate and/or bundle and substantially increases the amount of household waste that we recycle. Recycling is a great deal for every Woodbridge Township resident, homeowner and business. And, recycling is not only profitable, it's the right thing to do for our environment.

♻️ RECYCLE

THANK YOU FOR RECYCLING THESE:

 Cans  Aluminum and Steel Cans <small>empty and rinse</small>	 Cartons  Food and Beverage Cartons <small>empty and replace cap</small>	 Glass  Bottles and Jars <small>empty and rinse</small>	 Paper  Mixed Paper, Newspaper, Magazines, and Flattened Cardboard	 Plastic  Kitchen, Laundry, Bath: Bottles and Containers <small>empty and replace cap</small>
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NO!

 <small>Do not Bag Recyclables (no garbage)</small>	 <small>No Plastic Bags or Plastic Wrap</small>	 <small>No Tanglers, Cords, Hoses or Chains</small>	 <small>No Bulky Items</small>	 <small>No Clothing or Linens (drop-off only)</small>	 <small>No Yard Waste</small>	 <small>No Foam</small>
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732-738-1311
Woodbridge Township Recycling

twp.woodbridge.nj.us

Recycling by the Numbers:

One Year of Curbside Recycling in Woodbridge equals:

- 542 Tons** of plastic containers
- 8,154 Tons** of newspaper, cardboard and food packaging boxes
- 1,844 Tons** of glass jars and beverage containers
- 3,795 Tons** of junk mail and waste paper
- 399 Tons** of aluminum and metal beverage and food containers

Total: **14,760 Tons** of Recycling Collected by the Department of Public Works Each Year



PLEASE LEAVE THESE ITEMS OUT!

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<small>Do not Bag Recyclables (no garbage)</small> | 
<small>No Plastic Bags or Plastic Wrap</small> |
| 
<small>No Tanglers, Cords, Hoses or Chains</small> | 
<small>No Bulky Items</small> |
| 
<small>No Yard Waste</small> | 
<small>No Scrap Metal, Wood, or Furniture</small> |
| 
<small>No Clothing or Linens (drop-off only)</small> | 
<small>No Foam</small> |

CORRECT IT AND WE WILL COLLECT IT! PLEASE CALL



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Questions about your curbside recycling service?
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Amazon Fulfillment Center Fulfills Animal Shelter

On a recent summer day, employees from Amazon's Woodbridge/Edison/Carteret Fulfillment Centers made a special delivery to the Woodbridge Animal Shelter and Pet Adoption Center. The delivery included more than 700 pet supplies, including food, toys, and other pet essentials. Amazon continues to fill Shelter shelves on a monthly basis with deliveries of pet supplies.



Shelter is Looking for a Few Good Volunteers!

The Woodbridge Animal Shelter & Pet Adoption Center is always looking for people who care about animals and want to help find them good homes. Volunteers can help care for the animals, take the dogs for walks, assist in adoptions and participate in special shelter events. There are opportunities available for just about everyone.

Contact the shelter today at **732-855-0600, ext. 2034** or email animalshelter@twp.woodbridge.nj.us Visit the Shelter Volunteer Hub: <http://was.volunteerhub.com/Events/Index>

Animal Shelter & Pet Adoption Center Celebrates 12th Anniversary

The Woodbridge Animal Shelter & Pet Adoption Center celebrates its 12th Anniversary on Dec. 21, 2019.

Each year, the Shelter offers a special Anniversary adoption program; this year is no different.

So, if you are looking for that 'purrfect' holiday gift, why not consider a pet from the Woodbridge Animal Shelter & Pet Adoption Center?

The staff and volunteers at the Woodbridge Animal Shelter & Pet Adoption Center encourage adopting families to meet and greet their new pet in the comfortable and toy-filled family pet & play center. When it's time to take your new pet home, just fill out the adoption form and the staff will complete the arrangements.

If you can't get to the shelter and want to see the pets or to obtain an adoption form, visit www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us and click on the Animal Shelter & Pet Adoption Center link.



Shelter Winter Hours:

Woodbridge Township Animal Shelter and Pet Adoption Center
195 Woodbridge Avenue in Sewaren
732-855-0600 ext. 2034

Monday	1 - 4 p.m.
Tuesday	4 - 8 p.m.
Wednesday	1 - 4 p.m.
Thursday	4 - 8 p.m.
Friday	1 - 4 p.m.
Saturday	Noon - 4 p.m.

WAG Wants YOU!

Join the Woodbridge Animal Group (WAG) and support the Woodbridge Animal Shelter & Pet Adoption Center

Be a WAG Volunteer:
woodbridgeanimalgroup@yahoo.com

Visit WAG on FaceBook:
www.facebook.com/WoodbridgeAnimalGroup



Holiday Gift of Giving for our Shelter Guests

The Gift-of-Giving is all year long at the Shelter but even more crucial during the holiday season.

Your generosity is a powerful factor in helping the Woodbridge Animal Shelter & Pet Adoption Center continue to rescue and save so many animals. It's because of gifts from pet-loving residents and friends that we are able to help our homeless animals. The shelter is always in need of the following items:



- Purina wet & dry dog food (puppy chow, dog chow)
- Purina wet & dry cat food (kitten chow, cat chow)
- Eye & ear care
- Saline solution
- Cotton balls
- Q-tips
- Baking soda for litter boxes
- Blankets, not quilts
- White towels
- Paper towels
- 30-gallon trash bags
- Antibacterial dish detergent
- Bleach
- Laundry detergent
- Pet brushes, combs
- Dog/cat shampoos
- Gauze
- Grooming supplies
- Nail clippers & Quik Stop

License Your Cat. It's the Law

The Animal Shelter & Pet Adoption Center is taking in more cats than ever – so, it's even more important that cat owners license their feline friends before they reach seven months of age. All cats must have a current rabies vaccination to be licensed, which protects your cat, as well as other animals and even people, from acquiring this potentially fatal disease.

If your cat is spayed or neutered, it will cost less to license (\$13 spayed/\$23 non-spayed). And, cats that are spayed will generally be calmer and roam less and, of course, will not add to the current over-population of cats. If your cat is not licensed, please call the Woodbridge Health Department at **732-855-0600 x2034** or visit the Township web page: www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us.

REMINDER: Pick-Up After Your Pet

The Health Department and Animal Control remind pet owners to please be considerate of others by cleaning up after your pet. Animal droppings are not only unsightly, but they also pose health risks and can transmit disease.

Township ordinance requires that owners and animal handlers remove all pet droppings and dispose of them in a sealed, leak-proof container or bag. Thank you for being a responsible pet owner – it keeps Woodbridge beautiful & healthy.

Micro-Chip Your Pet: Shelter Service Targets Pet Safety

The Department of Health & Human Services and the Woodbridge Animal Shelter & Pet Adoption Center now offers micro-chipping for pets. Pet owners can receive micro-chipping at time of adoption from the Woodbridge Animal Shelter or plan to go to a Micro-Chip clinic at the Health Center.

The \$25 fee includes microchip, lifetime pet identification and registration with the national pet recovery database (Home Again). Stop by the Animal Shelter or call **732-855-0600, ext. 2034** for more information.

SENIORWATCH

Get Your Resident Senior Photo ID Card

The Multi Service Program on Aging provides Photo ID cards to senior and disabled residents who do not have any other form of photo identification. Photo IDs are now required when traveling, conducting banking and other financial business, and generally to navigate through the everyday aspects of today's security conscious world.



To obtain a Resident Senior and/or Disabled Photo ID Card (Woodbridge Township residents only), call the Multi Service Program on Aging at **732-726-6262**, Mon.-Fri. from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Meals on Wheels Available for Seniors

Meals on Wheels provide a home-delivered hot noon meal and a cold supper weekdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Woodbridge Township Senior residents 60 years of age (or older) are eligible. There is a \$5.00 contribution for the daily meal service (although no senior resident will be denied service if unable to make the contribution). To apply, call Barbara Lemchak in the Meals on Wheels office at the Woodbridge Health Center at: **732-634-4141**. Please call between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Report from the Mayor's Senior Summit

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Mayor John E. McCormac welcomed senior residents from throughout Woodbridge Township to the 13th Annual Mayor's Senior Summit – an open forum where Township seniors' express opinions on a diversity of topics and offer ideas and suggestions on how to improve senior-related programs.

Topics included: expanding and improving services and programs at the Woodbridge Community Center (WCC), Evergreen Senior Center in Colonia, Sycamore Senior Center in Port Reading and the Five Branches Senior Center in Iselin; improving communications with senior residents on emergency preparedness, weather-related alerts and consumer safety and public

safety concerns, such as cracking down on speeding in residential areas. There were also Quality-of-Life issues such as home maintenance and repair.

Representatives from the Woodbridge Township Department of Health & Human Services, the Multi-Service Program on Aging, the Department of Recreation & Resident Services, the Woodbridge Police Department, Department of Public Works, Woodbridge Township Public Library, The Barron Arts Center and many Woodbridge businesses and medical care facilities offering services to Senior residents participated in the Mayor's Senior Summit.



Mayor John E. McCormac, Municipal Council and Township Administration welcome Woodbridge Township senior residents to the 13th Annual Mayor's Senior Summit at the Woodbridge Community Center.

STOW Bus Service Hits the Road

STOW – Senior Transportation of Woodbridge – bus service is running on a daily schedule providing FREE, curb-to-curb, reservation-based transportation service to Woodbridge Township Senior residents (age 60 & older) who have no other means of transportation to the Evergreen Senior Center (Colonia), Sycamore Senior Center (Port Reading), Five Branches Senior Center (Iselin), the Woodbridge Community Center (WCC), Main Library, shopping, local doctor appointments and designated Township events and programs.

Reservations are based on availability and are made by calling **732-726-2394** between 8:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Information required for a reservation includes: First/Last Name, Client Transportation ID number, Address, Phone Number and Date/Time for requested pick-up.

The senior resident MUST call at least one day before the desired pickup date in order to be added to the schedule. If the senior resident leaves a voice message, he or she will



receive a call from the Senior Transportation Coordinator confirming the request. Reservations are complete only after receiving a confirmation phone call from the Senior Transportation Coordinator.

Transportation Services:

Days: Monday - Friday (except recognized holidays)

Hours: Morning Pick-Up: 8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.

Afternoon Bus Home: 1:15 p.m. & 2:45 p.m.



Visit the Township web page at:
www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us for everything Senior!

Important Phone Numbers for Seniors

Multi-Service Program on Aging
732-726-6262

Senior Transportation of Woodbridge
732-726-2394

Evergreen Senior Center
732-726-6261

Sycamore Senior Center
732-726-7087

Five Branches Senior Center
732-726-6277

Woodbridge Health Department:
732-855-0600

Woodbridge Town Hall
732-634-4500

Woodbridge Police Department (Non-Emergency)
732-634-7700

MCAT (County Transportation)
800-221-3520

Access Link (Transportation)
800-955-2321

N.J. Department of Health & Senior Services
800-792-8820

Social Security, Iselin Office
800-772-1213

Medicare
800-633-4227

Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)
800-510-3102

Better Business Bureau
609-588-0808

Hickory Senior Center Welcomes Fords Seniors

The Hickory Senior Center – the fourth Senior Center in Woodbridge – stands as a gateway connecting the Township's senior residents 60 years of age and older by providing vital community services that help seniors remain healthy, active and independent.

Hickory Senior Center will not only host Woodbridge Township Seniors, but will also be the home of the Fords Women's Club.

The Hickory Senior Center, along with the Evergreen Senior Center in Colonia, Five Branches Senior Center in Iselin and the Sycamore Senior Center in Port Reading, offer senior

residents a convenient neighborhood multi-purpose center designed to engage every visitor in social, recreational, educational, health and wellness programs and activities that enhance their Quality-of-Life and serve to cultivate new friendships.

The 4,557-square-foot Hickory Senior Center features a main assembly room, activity room, game room, billiard table, Ping-Pong table, card table, new lobby, bathrooms, kitchenette, offices, outdoor seating, and computer stations with FREE wifi.

Senior residents are encouraged to register as a member of the Hickory Senior Center – registration is FREE.



The Hickory Senior Center, located at 290 Old Road in Sewaren, is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call 732-726-6285.

Senior Olympians Compete in 2019 Games

The New Jersey Senior Olympic Committee, Senior Olympians and competing Senior athletes opened the 2019 New Jersey Senior Olympic games on September 7 during ceremonies at the Woodbridge Community Center (WCC).

The New Jersey Senior Olympic games feature 21 sporting events and competitions in which senior athletes 50 years of age and older – male and female – compete for the Gold, Silver and Bronze in various age categories ranging from: 50-54; 55-59; 60-64; 65-69; 70-74; 75-79; 80-84; 85-89; and 90+.

Senior athletes compete in Archery, Basketball (foul shooting/accuracy and '3 on 3'), Billiards, Bocce, Bowling, Cycling, Darts, Fencing, Golf, Horseshoes, Racquetball, Team Softball, Swimming, Table Tennis, Tennis, Track & Field events, pickleball and miniature golf.



Five Branches Senior Center Welcomes Senior Residents

Mayor John E. McCormac and the Woodbridge Township Department of Health & Human Services celebrated the grand opening of the Five Branches Senior Center in Iselin with more than 200 seniors in attendance. The Five Branches Senior Center, named in honor of the Five Branches of the United States Armed Services: US Army, US Navy, USMC, US Air Force and the US Coast Guard, is located in the newly renovated T. Nulty American Legion Post #471 building.

Five Branches stands as a gateway connecting senior residents 60 years of age and older with vital community services that help them remain healthy, active and



independent. The Five Branches Senior Center includes a large community room, activity rooms, game room, computer learning center with free Wi-Fi, and a café area with kitchen. Senior residents are encouraged to register as a member of the Five Branches Senior Center – Registration is FREE. The Five Branches Senior Center, located at 1 Brown Avenue in Iselin, is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Call 732-726-6277.

Sycamore Senior Center is Free and Fun

The Sycamore Senior Center, located in the former Port Reading Knights of Columbus building at 290 Old Road, serves senior residents 60 years of age and older from Port Reading, Woodbridge, Sewaren, Fords and Keasbey.

The Sycamore Senior Center offers social, recreational, educational, health and wellness programs and activities designed to entertain and cultivate new friendships. The center includes large and small activity rooms, a game room, computer learning center with FREE Wi-Fi, and a Café area with kitchen. The Sycamore Senior Center is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Stop by and check it out. The coffee is always on.

Warning: Telephone Impersonation Scam Targets Seniors

The Social Security Administration (SSA) and the Office of Inspector General (OIG) launched a joint PSA campaign warning of a nationwide telephone impersonation scam.

Both agencies have investigated reports from across the country about fraudulent phone calls from people falsely claiming to be Social Security employees.

Calls can even spoof the Social Security national customer service number as the incoming number on caller ID. The SSA urges senior residents to remain vigilant against potential telephone scams and fraud

and to NEVER provide sensitive information such as your SS# or bank account information to unknown people over the phone or internet.



SSA employees will never threaten a person or promise a Social Security benefit in exchange for information. If you receive a telephone call that you believe is fraudulent, immediately hang up and contact the OIG Fraud Hotline at: 1-800-269-0271 or online at: <https://oig.ssa.gov/report>.



Important Information for All Veterans

Visit the official website of the New Jersey Department of Military & Veterans Affairs at www.state.nj.us/military.

New Jersey Veterans Memorial Home at Menlo Park (732) 452-4272

State Veterans Service Officers – Middlesex/ Somerset
(732) 937-6347/48

VA Hotline for General Benefits
(800) 827-1000

Veterans Employment Office
(732) 937-6205

Middlesex County Veterans Services
(732) 745-4051

VA Clinic – New Brunswick
(732) 729-9555

Lyons Veterans Facility
(908) 647-0180

East Orange Veterans Facility
(973) 676-1000

Veterans Cemetery
(Arneytown) (609) 758-7250



Veterans Day Parade Steps Off on November 10

The 13th Annual Woodbridge Township Veteran's Day Parade marches down Main Street to Town Hall on Sunday, November 10.

Welcome and salute Township veterans and active-duty military personnel from all branches of service as they proudly march with representatives from Township veterans organizations

Participants include: American Legion Post #87, American Legion Post #471, American Legion Post #248, the Cpl. Kevin J. Reinhard Marine Corps League Detachment #189, VFW Woodbridge Memorial Post #4410, VFW Hopelawn Memorial Post #1352, VFW Colonia Memorial Post #6061, VFW Avenel Memorial Post #7164, VFW Iselin Memorial Post #2636, VFW Fords Memorial Post #6090, DAV Chapter #56, Woodbridge public service and



emergency response units, scouting, youth, civic and historic organizations, Woodbridge, Colonia and JFK High School marching bands, and parade dignitaries.

Come on out to honor and support our hometown heroes.

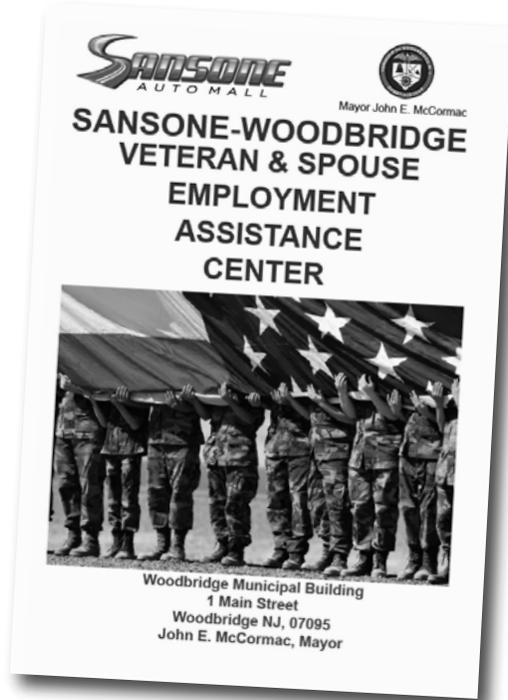


The Sansone-Woodbridge Veteran & Spouse Military Assistance Center is Open for Business

The Sansone-Woodbridge Military Assistance Center partners with Woodbridge-area businesses and education institutions to assist returning Veterans, National Guard members, Reservists and spouses with securing employment and advancing educational opportunities.

Located in the Mayor's Office, the Sansone-Woodbridge Military Assistance Center and Director Ron Davie assist Veterans and spouses with vocational and career training grants; employment and job-search coaching; post-service Veteran education assistance; Veterans employer subsidies; social media networking; and guidance on available federal, state, county and local programs available to Veterans.

For more information, contact ron.davie@twp.woodbridge.nj.us or www.woodbridgeveterans.org. You can also call 732-634-4500 x2037.



Honor Your Hometown Hero with a Banner

The Hometown Hero Project places 'Hero' banners on lamp posts throughout streets in Woodbridge, Colonia, Fords, Port Reading, Iselin and other high traffic areas. Sponsored by the T. Nulty American Legion Post 471, the Hometown Hero Project honors active-duty military personnel, honorably discharged veterans (living or deceased), KIA or POW/MIA, and those who have established roots to Woodbridge Township.

Contact Robin Goodrich at **732-261-1787** or email ragoodrich@verizon.net to obtain a Hometown Hero Banner application.



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Wreaths Across America

The T. Nulty American Legion Post #471 of Iselin and the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 233 are co-sponsoring the 2nd Annual Wreaths Across America project at the First Presbyterian Church of Woodbridge. It is registered as a National Wreaths Across America location (ID: NJFPCW).

Sponsored wreaths will be placed on the graves of more than 250 Veterans interred in the historic church cemetery on Dec. 14, 2019. Wreaths are \$15. Contact Robin Goodrich at **732-261-1787** to learn how to purchase a Wreath Across America.

Veteran Photo Album



North Jersey Young Marines stationed at Battleship New Jersey.



The Sewaren Veterans Memorial at West Avenue displays new life after a much-needed cleanup and makeover.

2019 WREATHS across AMERICA

The VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA CHAPTER 233 and the T NULTY AMERICAN LEGION POST 471 are co-sponsoring THE SECOND ANNUAL WREATHS across AMERICA project at the FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ("The Old White Church") of WOODBRIDGE, NEW JERSEY. This church, established in 1675, has been registered with the national WREATHS across AMERICA as location ID: NJFPCW.

Sponsored wreaths will be placed on the graves of the 260 Veterans interred in this historic cemetery on 14 December 2019. WREATH LAYING WILL BEGIN AT 8:00 AM AND THE INDOOR CEREMONY WILL BEGIN AT 10PM.

Wreaths are \$15.00 each. This is NOT a fund raiser for the Church, the VVA or the American Legion. Funds will all be collected by the church and sent directly to WREATHS across AMERICA in payment for the ordered number of wreaths. Our goal is to purchase enough wreaths to make certain each Veteran's grave is covered during the winter months.

NEW FOR 2019: YOU WILL HAVE THE ABILITY TO PURCHASE WREATHS FOR VETERANS INTERRED AT OTHER CEMETERIES. HOWEVER, YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO PICK UP THIS WREATH AT 8AM ON SATURDAY MORNING, 14 DECEMBER 2019, AND PLACE ON YOUR VETERAN'S GRAVE. THE COST FOR THIS WREATH WILL STILL BE \$15.

Please consider sponsoring wreaths to help honor those who proudly served our Nation in time of war and peace and join our mission to REMEMBER, HONOR and TEACH.

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____
 State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____
 Email: _____

Do we have permission to publicize your name as a sponsor?
 YES or NO, I wish to remain anonymous

DEADLINE FOR ORDERING WREATHS FOR THE 14 DEC 2019 PROGRAM IS SUNDAY, 01 DEC 2019.

SPONSORSHIP	QUANTITY	PRICE	TOTAL
Individual = 1 wreath		\$15.00 EACH	
Family = 4 wreaths		\$60.00	
Small Business = 10 wreaths		\$150.00	
Corporate = 100 wreaths		\$1,500.00	
TOTAL			

If you are sponsoring a wreath for a Veteran NOT interred at the First Presbyterian Church of Woodbridge, please complete the information below:
 MY VETERAN'S NAME IS: _____
 MY VETERAN IS INTERRED AT: _____ YEARS OF SERVICE: _____
 MY VETERAN SERVED IN (Name Military Branch): _____
 I UNDERSTAND I MUST PICK UP MY VETERAN WREATH AT THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WOODBRIDGE, 608 RAHWAY AVENUE, WOODBRIDGE, NJ ON SATURDAY, 14 DECEMBER 2019, AT 8AM.



The newly formed North Jersey Young Marines – sponsored by the American Legion T. Nulty Post 471 and the Woodbridge Police Department – at the United States Coast Guard Station Sector New York.

Woodbridge Township Supports First Responders



Report from the Director's Desk:

By: Robert J. Hubner, Director

The Woodbridge Police Department (WPD) recently investigated a series of auto thefts and/or the burglary of items of value from automobiles parked primarily in the estate section of Colonia.

The WPD investigation determined that the thefts would occur during the early morning hours, between 3-6 a.m., and that the suspects would cruise targeted neighborhoods looking for unlocked vehicles parked in driveways or on the street in front of homes. The investigation found that a majority of the stolen vehicles were unlocked and that the key FOB was left in the vehicle or was stored in close proximity, making it easy for the criminal to steal the vehicle.

As a result of the activity, the WPD increased patrols and reassigned personnel and participated in a multi-jurisdictional investigation to address the increased instances of motor vehicle theft.

While numerous arrests have been made, the theft and/or burglary of unlocked motor vehicle(s) continues to remain a crime of opportunity and the WPD will continue to actively patrol and respond to any reports of suspicious activity. In order to be even more proactive, the WPD is asking for the help, support and assistance of the community, working together as a team, to further combat criminal activity.

The WPD reminds residents to lock their car doors at

all times, remove any valuables (electronic devices, cash or other items) and, most importantly, to always remove the key FOB (or electronic key) from the car – it has been determined that key FOBs kept in the vehicle (or within close proximity) make the crime of auto theft far easier for the criminal. If you see something suspicious, call the WPD at 732-634-7700 or in an emergency contact 9-1-1.

See A Crime; Report a Crime

The Woodbridge Police Department has established a special hotline to report suspicious or criminal activity. Call the WPD Crime Tip Hotline at 732-855-TIPS (8477) to report a crime.

Woodbridge Multi-Family Crime Prevention Program

If you have a Crime Tip, call this number:
732-855-TIPS + 732-855-8477
Woodbridge Police Crimes TIPS Hotline



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John E. McCormac, Mayor + Robert Hubner, Director,
Woodbridge Police Department

WPD Targets Pedestrian Safety

The Woodbridge Police Department (WPD) Traffic Enforcement Unit – one of the first units in the state to establish special enforcement programs, patrols and educational outreach efforts targeting pedestrian safety – continues to concentrate on pedestrian safety.

The WPD Traffic Unit targets motorists who fail to obey laws requiring them to stop for pedestrians in the crosswalk, as well as pedestrians who jaywalk or violate traffic safety rules and regulations. The WPD also stepped-up enforcement of speeding, illegal turns, distracted and inattentive driving and walking laws which contribute to pedestrian-motor vehicle crashes.



WPD Appoints New Police Officers

Mayor John E. McCormac and Police Director Robert Hubner announced the appointment of seven new police officers to the ranks of the Woodbridge Township Police Department (WPD) at a June 3 ceremony at the Woodbridge

Community Center. The officers completed the state-mandated six-month police training program at the Monmouth County Police Training Academy and have undertaken patrol assignments.



Deputy Police Director Joseph Nisky, PO Franklin Rosario, PO Michael Tenpenny, PO Thomas Zaremba, PO Michael Krupa, PO Zachary Manente, PO Yeimi Silva, PO Nicholas Farese, Police Director Robert Hubner and Chief Law Enforcement Officer Scott Kuzma.

WPD Announces 2019 Officers-of-the-Quarter

WPD Officer Adam Romatowski, Officer of the First Quarter - 2019 (January 1, 2019 – March 31, 2019), with Chief Law Enforcement Officer Scott Kuzma, Deputy Director Joseph Nisky and Director Robert Hubner. Officer Romatowski responded to 507 Calls-for-Service, conducted 96 motor vehicle stops which resulted in the issuance of traffic summonses, Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) summonses, enforcement of outstanding arrest warrants and the arrest of defendants on violations of New Jersey Criminal Statutes.



WPD Officer Christopher Esteves, Officer of the Second Quarter - 2019 (April 1 - June 30, 2019), stands with Chief Law Enforcement Officer Scott Kuzma, Deputy Director Joseph Nisky and Director Robert Hubner. Officer Esteves responded to 476 Calls-for-Service and conducted 58 motor vehicles stops which resulted in the issuance of Traffic and Driving While Intoxicated

(DWI) summonses, enforcement of outstanding arrest warrants and the arrest of defendants on violations of New Jersey Criminal Statutes. Officer Esteves also arrested 20 individuals on charges to include Fugitive from Justice (Wanted Persons), Multiple Narcotics Violations, Forgery (after completing an investigation targeting an individual attempting to cash a fraudulent check) and Promoting Prostitution.

WPD Graduates Senior Police Academy

The Woodbridge Police Department announced the graduation of 16 recruits from the Senior Police Academy during graduation ceremonies in May. The WPD Senior Police Academy – a month-long program that offers realistic insight into the operation of the Woodbridge Police Department, law enforcement activities and crime prevention programs and initiatives – was a central part of the Woodbridge Township Senior Month program.



WPD Community Affairs Unit Targets Holiday Safety

The WPD Community Affairs Unit is delivering a holiday message geared to keep residents and shoppers safe throughout the holiday season. During the holidays, many residents will leave their homes unattended, some for a short period, others for an extended period of time, so it is important to make sure the home looks occupied.

- Do not leave garbage cans at the curb after the rest of the neighborhood has had their trash collected;
- Do not leave newspapers or circulars lying on driveways or doorsteps;
- Stop newspaper and mail delivery if you are going to be away or arrange to have mail and packages collected;
- Use light timers (set for staggered times) in and outside the residence;
- Trim back bushes and shrubs that block the view of windows and lock garage and car doors.
- If you are away from home for a short period of time, leave a radio or television on to make it sound like someone is in the home.



When shopping, park close to store entrances or other occupied areas. If you are out at night, park in a well-lit area and always lock your vehicle whether at home or in parking lots. Do not leave items of value or gift purchases in plain view in the parked vehicle. Be aware of your surroundings when walking to your vehicle and attempt to walk with other people. Always have your keys in your hand before approaching your vehicle. Do not place cell phones, handbags or other items on the car when you are opening doors or trunks. Following these basic tips can help you avoid becoming a victim. The WPD Community Affairs Unit welcomes comments and suggestions. Contact Det. Joelle Slossberg or Det. Mark Zeno at **732-726-2318** or visit the Township web page: www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us.

Drop-Off Unwanted and Expired Prescription Drugs at the WPD

Looking to get rid of expired and unwanted prescription medications?

Stop by the Woodbridge Police Department (WPD) and deposit unwanted prescription drugs in the Project Medicine Drop Box. Woodbridge residents can bring unused and expired prescription drugs (if possible in the original prescription container), powders, pills, and liquid medications, to the Woodbridge Police Department Reception Room located in the lower lobby, Town Hall, One Main Street.

For more information contact the WPD at **732-634-7700**.



Don't Wait For Disaster: Register for CodeRed

The Office of Emergency Management has implemented the CodeRed emergency notification system. If you would like to be contacted on your home, business, cell, VoIP phone, or TTY/TDD system, you must register the phone number(s) with the Woodbridge Township Office of Emergency Management.

Please note that the service being offered is for Woodbridge Township residences and businesses only. Go to the Township web page at www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us to register for CodeRed notification.

If you previously completed a CodeRed or Reverse 9-1-1 form, there is no need to re-register.

Auxiliary Chief Kenny and WTARS EMTs Recognized for Life-Saving Action

WPD Auxiliary Chief Patrick Kenny has been recognized, along with Woodbridge Township Ambulance and Rescue Squad (WTARS) EMTs Robert Applegate, Joseph Gatti, Panagiotis Theologis and Alexander Florez, for saving the life of a 77-year old man who was a

participant in the New Jersey Senior Olympics cycling event when he collapsed.

Chief Kenny, along with the EMTs, found the victim with no pulse and not breathing. Once CPR was started, the cyclist regained vital systems and survived the ordeal.

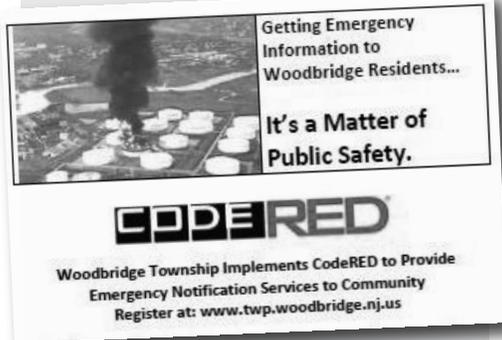


A Request from Woodbridge First Responders: Post Street Addresses in Plain View

As part of the effort to improve emergency response services (Police, Fire and First Aid), Township residents and business owners are reminded to clearly post street addresses in an area visible from the street on which the property fronts.

Residential numbers should be no less than two inches high and one inch wide. Non-residential buildings are required to have numbers no less than six inches high and two inches wide. Clearly posting street addresses assists first responders to

quickly locate a emergency location and improves response time. Seconds and minutes wasted looking for an address may lead to loss of property or life. Thanks for the assist.

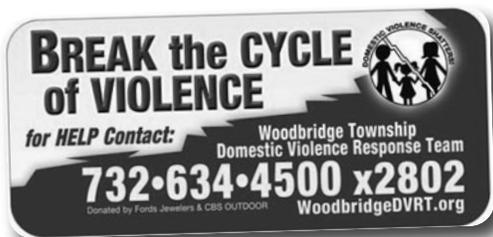


DVRT Looking For A Few Good Volunteers

The Woodbridge Township Domestic Violence Response Team – an all-volunteer community-based assistance program – is seeking new members.

Township residents who want to make a difference in the lives of

victims of domestic violence are encouraged to apply. Applicants will be required to complete an application and undergo an interview and criminal background check and complete a 40-hour training course. Team members are required to be available for 12-hour shifts from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. or from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. Call 732-634-4500 x2802 or visit www.woodbridgedvrt.org for more information.



CERT Wants You

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is looking for a few good Woodbridge Township volunteers.

CERT volunteers receive extensive emergency response and preparedness training and assist police, firefighters, EMTs and emergency responders during time of disaster.

To become a member of the

Woodbridge Township CERT, you must be at least 18 years of age and have a valid NJ driver's license. To obtain an application, or to learn more about the CERT program and how you can be part of a community preparedness team, visit www.woodbridgecert.org.



Municipal Court News

Have a question about Municipal Court?

Call 732-636-6430 or 732-634-4500 or go to the Municipal Court webpage at www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us/court.

Did you know?

Paying a traffic ticket is more convenient now than ever before. Pay at Town Hall on weekdays (Monday through Friday) from 8:45 a.m. - 4 p.m. Pay online at NJMCDirect.com, use the convenient drop box outside Town Hall or pay by mail.



Municipal Court Office Hours

Mon., Tues., Wed. & Thurs.
from 8:45 a.m. – 4 p.m.



Mon., Tues., Wed. & Thurs.
6:45 p.m. to end of
Court session



Fri., 8:45 a.m. – 4 p.m.



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