



# East Windsor Township

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**T**he recently adopted **New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing (COAH) Regulations** and the **newest State Housing Bill** are hard for average citizens to get their hands around, which is exactly what some politicians in Trenton likely hope.

We all can agree upon the need to provide “affordable housing” in New Jersey. In fact, **East Windsor has complied with all prior COAH requirements**, and was prepared to meet the Round 3 requirements, until State officials drastically and unwisely changed all of the rules. Some in Trenton think they can fool citizens by claiming accomplishment in “affordable housing” policy and voters will not question the impacts or reality.

The bottom line for residents of East Windsor and most towns throughout the State is these new State-imposed regulations will mean **higher property taxes for you**. As such these actions fly in the face of the expressed Trenton policies of reducing property taxes and creating a more affordable New Jersey. Remember it was only a summer ago that the New Jersey Legislature held historic special sessions to tackle the crying need for property tax relief in New Jersey. But rhetoric was belied by a **2008 State aid cut of \$300,000 to East Windsor Township** and **tax-loaded actions** as these.

These newest State housing mandates constitute a **direct unprecedented assault on property taxpayers and municipal officials**. The newest Council on Affordable Housing regulations would place extraordinary and unrealistic affordable housing provision requirements on towns, costing considerable local taxpayer dollars to achieve the proposed goals, and significant costs to property taxpayers for public services costs as police, fire and rescue, and especially for education.

The new regulations result in **unfair and unrealistic municipal affordable housing numbers**, two and three times higher than the original numbers. The resulting numbers in fact frustrate the original Mount Laurel goals that municipalities create a realistic opportunity for their fair share of affordable housing by establishing policies that are neither fair nor realistic. Most observers believe that State officials arbitrarily selected a total number for New Jersey and then illogically forced a formula which fit this number.

All these new and expanded requirements are **unfairly effective retroactively to January 1, 2004**, thereby further exploding local burdens and costs. The changed rules are applied to past years frustrating local planning and unjustly imposing heavy new financial burdens relating to past actions.

These new rules **fail to provide adequate funding** to build all these many affordable housing units. The State officials are forcing local property taxpayers to foot the bill to build the new housing. Towns are left for the most part with the choice of building thousands of new housing units to enable private subsidization of affordable housing construction or directly paying for affordable housing.

The increased costs from these State affordable housing regulations will substantially **burden property taxpayers with even higher educational costs and related costs for public services**. Property taxpayers will have to pay the service costs for all of the occupants of the new units, for police, fire, rescue, public works, health and inspection, among other cost impacts and most of all education. School costs already constitute over 65 percent of the local property tax bill.

These new State housing regulations also are **anti-new business and economic development**, likely resulting in the discouragement of new business development in New Jersey. Local towns now have decreased incentive to welcome new commercial development which will just create unfunded affordable housing obligations for local property taxpayers and businesses already are complaining about this new State fee. At a time when new jobs and new revenues are important to our economy, this is a wrong-headed direction.

These State affordable housing rules are **anti-open space and anti-sound municipal planning**. The implementation of these housing regulations clash with other State agency policies such as in the environment and will undercut smart growth initiatives and economic development. All of this is why the NJ State League of Municipalities has filed legal action against the State on behalf of over 260 towns.

East Windsor Township supports sensible policies to promote the provision of affordable housing within the bounds of sound planning and fiscal responsibility consistent with smart growth and smart government principles, goals these State regulations will undermine. Voters this year and in 2009 should ask officials whether they will act to change these State housing policies.



JANICE S. MIRONOV  
MAYOR

## Mayor and Council

### East Windsor Township Dedicates New Etra Lake Pathway

**M**ayor Janice S. Mironov and Council Members held a dedication of the newly constructed Etra Lake Pathway, a major initiative of Mayor Mironov and Council.

This new approximately one mile Pathway provides direct linkage for pedestrians and bicyclers, by way of the south end of Lake Drive, between Twin Rivers, the Township's largest residential community - home to about 10,000 residents, and the Township's largest recreational facility, the 160 acre plus Etra Lake Park.

The new Pathway extends from the cul-de-sac on the southern end of Lake Drive through a wooded area to the northern shore of Etra Lake near Milford Road. The Pathway continues across the bridge on Milford Road to Etra Road and then along Etra Road and the southern shore of Etra Lake to the park's playground area. A rest area with benches, a bicycle rack, trash container and signage is provided along the Pathway. The project also included construction of two timber bridges and the installation of a new sidewalk along the west side of Lake Drive from Twin Rivers Drive to the cul-de-sac.

The Etra Lake Pathway was funded by \$475,000 in State grants from the New Jersey Department of Transportation.



*East Windsor Township Mayor Janice Mironov, accompanied by Township Council Members, cuts the ribbon dedicating the new Etra Lake Pathway. Pictured (from left to right) are: Council Member Marsha Weinstein, Council Member Walter T. Daniels, Jr., Council Member Hector Duke, Mayor Janice S. Mironov, Deputy Mayor Perry Shapiro and Council Member Alan Rosenberg.*

### Township Expands Community Bus Services and Senior Center Programs

**E**ast Windsor Township Mayor Janice Mironov and Council have expanded transportation services and senior center programs for Township senior citizens. Seniors will now enjoy additional opportunities for shopping, medical appointments, recreation and use of the senior center facility and its many activities. These expanded transportation services will enable the Township to provide a greater service level throughout the day for the residents in the community.



*Seniors take part in the new Digital Photography Class*

Effective July 1, the Township hired a fulltime bus driver, provided for back-up drivers, and transitioned the operation of the Community Bus from the East Windsor Regional School District to the Township. This change has enabled East Windsor to provide expanded bus transportation services within the same budget amount, by two hours a day from 5 hours to 7 hours. Support for the Community Bus, as well as other Township transportation programs, comes through a Federal/State Section 5301 grant administered through NJ Transit.

East Windsor Township was awarded a new bus (\$146,000 grant value), replacing a 10 year old vehicle, at no cost to the Township by New Jersey Transit, which went into operation this year.

The expanded bus hours will enable many seniors dependent on the bus to remain at the Center through the afternoon to participate in the expanded programming which includes additional exercise classes, tap dancing, digital photography and water color painting, as well as, make additional medical appointments and increase the number of shopping trips.

## Mayor and Council

### Green Acres Grant of \$300,000 Awarded to East Windsor Township

East Windsor Township Mayor Janice Mironov and Council have applied for and received a Green Acres grant from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection in the amount of \$300,000. This grant will be used for the acquisition of open space under the Township's open space program.



The \$300,000 in grant funds will be used by the Township to acquire additional open space sites listed in the Township's State approved Open Space and Recreation Plan.



### Roadway Improvement Briefs

- Acting upon a written request by Mayor Mironov, the NJ Department of Transportation has removed and flattened "bumps" on Route 130. The buckled pavement has been deemed a potential safety issue.
- The NJ Department of Transportation installed new safety lighting in the Route 133 and One Mile Road area. New street lighting by the off-ramp and lighting under the deck/bridge area were completed in direct response to a request by Mayor Mironov and Council.
- Mercer County resurfaced County Route 571 (Princeton-Hightstown Road) from One Mile Road to State Route 130.
- Mayor Mironov and Council received a \$250,000 grant from the New Jersey Department of Transportation to resurface Dutch Neck Road from Route 130 to One Mile Road and One Mile Road from Dutch Neck Road to Princeton Hightstown Road (County Route 571). Work is scheduled to begin in the Spring 2009.
- Mayor Mironov and Council have received an \$8,000 grant from the NJ Division of Highway Traffic Safety to perform a "Traffic Calming Engineering Study" for Dutch Neck Road from Route 130 to the West Windsor border. The study is intended to identify means to help improve safety.

### New Ball Fields Move Forward

Moving forward, East Windsor Mayor Janice S. Mironov and Council have endorsed a first phase plan for new playing fields to be located on a 59 acre parcel of land on Disbrow Hill Road, directly across from Etra Lake Park. The plan proposes two softball fields, compatible for use by both youth and adult leagues and three multipurpose soccer/lacrosse fields. The proposal also includes a paved parking lot for 280 vehicles, restroom facilities and a utility/storage building. A four foot rail fence would be installed around the perimeter of the property. Also included in the design are irrigation, fencing, backstops, bleachers, team benches and crosswalks on Disbrow Hill Road. The project is expected to be bid in mid-November.

Mayor Mironov and Council Members have assembled State and County grants totaling over \$1 million dollars in the development of the new playing fields.

### East Windsor Township Kicks Off "We Check For 21" Campaign

East Windsor kicked-off the "We Check for 21" Campaign, a local initiative to deter underage drinking. As part of the Township "We Check for 21" Campaign, liquor license holders are required to sign the "We Check for 21" Pledge as a condition of receiving their liquor license renewals. The Pledge affirms each liquor license holder's strong support East Windsor Township's "We Check for 21" Program. Materials and paraphernalia are distributed for use at the various establishments.



*Pictured (from left to right) are: Rich Covey of Charlie Brown's Steakhouse; Paul Miller of The Peddie Golf Club; Ed Bogdan of David's Pub & Package; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Kelly Gibson of Club 8, Inc.; Vincent Elorza of Hightstown Elks #1955 B.P.O.E.; Mike Patel of Windsor Wines and Spirits and Council Member/East Windsor Municipal Alliance for the Prevention of Substance Abuse Coordinator Walter T. Daniels, Jr.*

The Proclamation by Mayor Mironov expresses Township support to promote the "We Check for 21" Program, designed to prevent underage drinking and heighten the awareness of this issue within all of our communities.

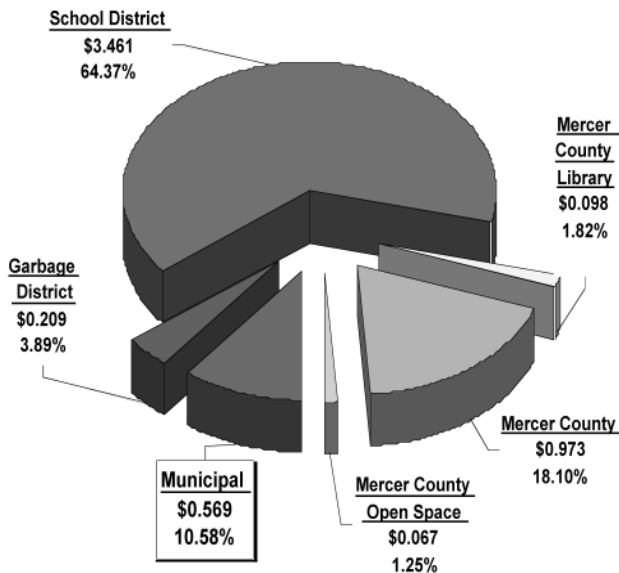
# Mayor and Council

## East Windsor Has Lowest Equalized Municipal Tax Rate in Mercer County

According to the latest statistics available from the State Division of Local Government Services for the year 2007, **East Windsor Township has the lowest equalized municipal tax rate in Mercer County.** The Township's equalized municipal tax rate was \$0.231 with the highest being Trenton City at \$1.468.

Even though the municipal government is required to send out the tax bills, **East Windsor gets to keep only 10.58% of property tax payments.** For example, if you pay \$7,000 the municipal government gets only about \$740 to provide local services (police, public works, recreation, senior services, health, ect.). The remainder of almost 90% goes to the School District and Mercer County.

East Windsor's local purpose municipal tax rate for 2008 is \$.569 for 10.58% of the total tax rate of \$5.377, as illustrated in the pie chart below.



In addition, the Garbage District rate is \$0.209, which is 3.89% of the total property tax rate. The Twin Rivers Planned Unit Development and all private communities do not pay the Garbage District Tax, since they have private haulers for garbage collection.

The Mayor and Council does not establish and has no control over the other 85.54% of the tax bill. These taxes are collected for the East Windsor Regional School District and Mercer County. The School District tax of \$3.461 constitutes 64.37% of the total property tax rate. Mercer County has a library and open space tax in addition to the County rate totaling \$1.13 for 21.17% of the local tax bill.

## Earth Day Poster Contest Winners

Mayor Janice Mironov recognized the elementary school winners of the Earth Day Poster Contest to promote the "4R's" of the Township Recycling Program: Recycle, Reuse, Reduce, Rebuy. Winners from Grades K-2 and winners from Grades 3-5 received Mayoral Certificates of Recognition and gift certificates to Barnes and Nobles, donated by corporate sponsor Shiseido America.



Mayor Mironov recognized the first place student winners of the Township Earth Day Recycling Poster Contest. Pictured (from left to right) are: back row - Vraj Shah, Grace N. Rogers School (Grade 3-5); East Windsor Mayor Janice Mironov; Jaclyn Bonacorda, Ethel McKnight School (Grade 3-5); Ananya Srinivasan, Walter C. Black School (Grade 3-5); front row - Julia Rose Riley, Perry L. Drew School (Grade K-2); Ritika Jain, Perry L. Drew School (Grade 3-5); Sudhanva Murthy, Walter C. Black School (Grade K-2); Andrew Mazurek, Grace N. Rogers School (Grade K-2) and Casey Anne Weber, Ethel McKnight School (Grade K-2).

### 1ST PLACE WINNERS

**Grade K-2** - Sudhanva Murth (Walter C. Black School); Julia Rose Riley (Perry L. Drew School); Casey Anne Weber (Ethel McKnight School) and Andrew Mazurek (Grace N. Rogers School)

**Grade 3-5** - Ananya Srinivasan (Walter C. Black School); Ritika Jain (Perry L. Drew School); Jaclyn Bonacorda (Ethel McKnight School) and Vraj Shah (Grace N. Rogers School)

### 2ND PLACE WINNERS

**Grade K-2** - Christopher McGinley (Walter C. Black School); Ishika Rai (Perry L. Drew School); Becky Genek (Ethel McKnight School) and Harish Rabindran (Grace N. Rogers School)

**Grade 3-5** - Myriam Park (Walter C. Black School); Tanvi Kataria (Perry L. Drew School); Ryan Harrington (Ethel McKnight School); Jay Vaingankar (Grace N. Rogers School)

### 3RD PLACE WINNERS

**Grade K-2** - Arun Vadlamani (Perry L. Drew School); Joshua Martin (Ethel McKnight School) and Kayla Henderson (Grace N. Rogers School)

## Mayor and Council

### Twin Rivers Branch of the Mercer County Library Celebrates 35th Anniversary

**M**ercer County Executive Brian Hughes and East Windsor Township Mayor Janice S. Mironov joined library branch manager Rebecca Sloane and Friends of the Library President Barbara Hammer, and other officials and library personnel to formally celebrate the 35th Anniversary of the Twin Rivers Branch of the Mercer County Library.



*Mercer County Executive Brian Hughes and East Windsor Mayor Janice Mironov join with representatives of the Twin Rivers Branch of the Mercer County Library System to celebrate the Library's 35th Anniversary. Pictured (from left to right) are: Barbara Hammer, President of the Friends of the Library; Mayor Janice Mironov; Library Branch Manager Rebecca Sloane; Mercer County Library Director Ellen Brown, and Mercer County Executive Brian Hughes.*

The Twin Rivers Branch of the Mercer County Library System originally opened on August 18, 1973 as a store front library in what is now Scotto's Restaurant; then in 1983 a new building was constructed for the Twin Rivers Library, and finally in 1996, the library facility underwent a major renovation adding a new community room, work-room area and children's activity room.

### Meadow Lakes Breaks Ground on Sixty New Independent Living Units

**M**eadow Lakes, a Presbyterian Homes facility, a continuing care retirement community with residential living unit options ranging from independent living units to full-care housing, broke ground in March for sixty new independent apartment units. These sixty new units will be housed in four interconnected 2 1/2 story building wings. The building will also contain a lounge area and storage areas for each floor. The project is scheduled to be completed in late Spring 2009.

### East Windsor Township Holds 2008 Youth Police Academy

**E**ast Windsor Township Mayor and Council, in conjunction with the Police Department, sponsored the annual Youth Police Academy.

Twenty-two Township students, who are entering the 7th or 8th grade this fall, completed the five day June program. Classroom instruction was conducted by East Windsor police officers. The classroom curriculum included instruction in Overview of the Police Command and Operations Structure, Police Ethics of Conduct, Criminal Law, Criminal Investigation and Evidence Collection, Motor Vehicle Law and Motor Vehicle Stops, Community Policing, Physical Fitness Training, the Court System, Juvenile Law, Conflict Resolution, Crime Prevention, Patrol Practices and Use of Radar, Use of Police Equipment, Arrest and Search and Seizure Laws, K-9 Demonstrations, and Drug Identification and Prevention. Students were also given hands on views of the operation of various police department equipment and vehicles.



*2008 Police Youth Academy Graduation Class. Front Row: Caitlin Brady, Benjamin Benson, Evan Kirton, Juan Yunga, Piyush Puri, Federico Reyes, Daniel Pelicano; Middle Row: Emily LeBlanc, Jeanine Najjar, Dylan Malinosky, Tasia Teele, Jordan Davis, Elaine Stewart, Christopher Seeland, Evan Benson; Back Row: Chad Le'Seur Preston, Raphael Monperousse, Michael Kminek, Neel Chowdhary, Ashley Flood, Tiarra Teele, Shannon Wilson*

### East Windsor Hires New Director of Inspections/Construction Official

**D**irector of Inspections/Construction Official Stanley G. Rodefeld retired on May 30 after twenty years of service with the Township. Building Subcode Official Roman J. Petruniak was promoted to Director of Inspections/Construction Official effective August 1. Mr. Petruniak has worked for the Township since January 2001 and will continue to perform the duties of Building Subcode Official in addition to his new responsibilities.

## Mayor and Council

### New Businesses

**T**he **Windsor Seafood Market**, which is located in the Carduner Shopping Center at Route 130 and Princeton-Hightstown Road, has opened.

Windsor Seafood Market offers an extensive selection of fresh seafood products and prepared seafood dishes for take out. They are open daily from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm except on Friday when the store is open until 7:00 pm.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov cuts the ribbon at the new Windsor Seafood Market. Pictured (from left to right) are front row: Annie Katz; Jacob Katz; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; and Council Member Walter Daniels. Back row (from left to right): Windsor Seafood Market owner Regina Katz; Jeremy Katz; Samantha Katz; Windsor Seafood Market owner Mark Katz; Windsor Seafood Market manager Mary Pollack; Council Member Marsha Weinstein; and Council Member Hector Duke.

**Scoopers Gourmet Ice Cream** store has opened on Hickory Corner Road, in the “WaWa Center” just west of Route 130. The new business is operated by Arpita and Bhadresh Patel.

Scoopers Gourmet Ice Cream serves 16 flavors of hard ice cream and six flavors of water ice. Soft serve, yogurt and sugar-free products are also available, as well as, “Smoothies” and old-fashioned candies. Scooper’s Gourmet Ice Cream is open daily from 11:00 am to 9:00 pm.



Mayor Janice Mironov (center) cuts the ribbon at the Scoopers Gourmet Ice Cream grand opening with (from left to right) Scoopers Gourmet Ice Cream co-owner Arpita Patel, Scoopers Gourmet Ice Cream co-owner Bhadresh Patel, Mayor Janice S. Mironov, Council Member Walter Daniels, Council Member Marsha Weinstein, Council Member Alan Rosenberg and Deputy Mayor Perry Shapiro.

**Atlanta Bread Company** store celebrated its re-opening in the East Windsor Towne Center Shopping Center, located on Route 130 south just north of Princeton-Hightstown Road.

The 4,168 square foot Atlanta Bread Company store is operated by Kelly Villastrigo and his staff. Atlanta Bread Company serves breakfast, lunch and dinner in an informal setting as well as catering services for businesses and special events. The restaurant is open from 7:00 am to 9:00 pm (Monday through Thursday), 7:00 am to 10:00 pm (Friday and Saturday) and 8:00 am to 9:00 pm on Sunday.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov cuts the ribbon at the grand re-opening of Atlanta Bread Company. Pictured (from left to right) are: Council Member Hector Duke; Atlanta Bread Company Director of Operations John Raposeiro; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; General Manager Kelly Villastrigo Council Member Marsha Weinstein; and Deputy Mayor Perry Shapiro

**Facelagic Spa** opened in the newly constructed Windsor Crossing Shopping Center located at the intersection of Route 130 North, Route 33 and Hickory Corner Road.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov cuts the ribbon at the grand opening of Facelagic Spa. Pictured (from left to right) are: Council Member Alan Rosenberg; Deputy Mayor Perry Shapiro; Council Member Marsha Weinstein; Renee Altman, Chairperson of the East Windsor Division of the Mercer Regional Chamber of Commerce; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Contance Resnick, Owner of Facelagic; Council Member Hector Duke and Frederick Patterson, Robertson Douglas Group Vice President of Construction.

Facelagic, an international spa franchise headquartered in California, promotes themselves as the first luxury spa experience everyone can afford, and notes that the centerpiece of the Facelagic experience is the 50-minute custom facial - including a thorough skin analysis, exfoliation, extractions (if needed), therapeutic massage, masque and complimentary make-up touchup.

## Mayor and Council

### 2008 Sylvia Weiss Senior Citizen Volunteer Award Presented to Edward Kelley

Edward Kelley, a resident of East Windsor Township since 1968, began volunteering in 1982 by becoming a member of the East Windsor Township Environmental Commission, where he continues to serve contributing to preserving and improving the environment of our community. In 1992, Edward M. Kelley became a member of the East Windsor Township Planning Board and was elected Chairperson in 1996, where he continues to serve.

Edward M. Kelley has dedicated his time to the youth of our community by serving on the East Windsor Police Athletic League Board of Directors for approximately 10 years and coaching numerous sports including, baseball, softball, basketball, soccer, and ice hockey.

Mayor Mironov noted that Edward Kelley “further demonstrates his devotion to the East Windsor community by participating in the yearly ‘Clean Up East Windsor’ event and volunteers to be a judge for several different Township programs including the annual Recycling Poster Contest and the Business Awards.”

Mayor Mironov summarized stating that, “Edward M. Kelley, who readily agrees to help out whenever called upon, truly exemplifies the wonderful spirit of volunteerism, and this is an appropriate time to show our appreciation for all his time, effort and dedication volunteering for so many years for East Windsor Township.”



Mayor Janice Mironov presents long-time resident Edward M. Kelley with the 2008 Sylvia Weiss Senior Citizen Award for Outstanding Service as a Volunteer. Pictured (from left to right) are: Mayor Janice Mironov, Sylvia Weiss Senior Citizen Award for Outstanding Service as a Volunteer recipient Edward M. Kelley and Council Member Walter T. Daniels, Jr.

The Sylvia Weiss Senior Citizen Award for Outstanding Service as a Volunteer, presented annually by East Windsor Township, recognizes a senior citizen who has exhibited outstanding service through volunteerism to the community by way of schools, religious institutions, service organizations or directly to the public.

### 2007 Business Awards

East Windsor Mayor Janice Mironov presented the East Windsor Township 2007 Business Awards to three local businesses. The purpose of the awards program is to recognize local businesses that have made special efforts to improve or contribute to the community. Nominations of businesses were accepted in three categories: 1) Creating an attractive appearance, 2) Community contributions and service, and 3) Providing a special community enhancement.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov recently presented the Township's 2007 Business Awards to three local businesses - Windsor Nissan, Shiseido America and Hovione. Pictured (from left to right) are: Shiseido Senior Vice President Edward Houlihan; Hovione President David Hoffman; East Windsor Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Windsor Nissan Administrative Assistant Chita St. Lawrence and East Windsor Deputy Mayor Perry Shapiro.

**Windsor Nissan**, located on Route 130, received the award for the category of creating an attractive appearance, by way of landscaping and the physical appearance of their structures and site. The award was given in recognition and appreciation for their modern well-maintained building and grounds.

**Shiseido America**, the Japanese-based cosmetics company located on Princeton-Hightstown Road, was presented the award in the category of community contributions and service. Shiseido America has given generously to East Windsor Township Fire, Rescue and Police Athletic League and local non-profit organizations serving the community and has been an environmental leader with its support to the Township's Earth Day and clean-up programs and notably with the 2007 solar electric panel roof installation on their East Windsor facility.

**Hovione**, a Portuguese-based pharmaceutical-related research and development company, located on Lake Drive south of Route 33, received the award in the category of community enhancement. Hovione earned the Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) Star designation from the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration. VPP requires worksites to implement exceptional systems over a multi-year period dedicated to worker safety and health.

## Police Department

### East Windsor Township Celebrates 2008 National Night Out Against Crime

The annual National Night Out Against Crime event was held on Tuesday, August 5. Mayor Janice S. Mironov and Members of Council, as well as Police Chief William W. Spain, hosted this event at the police building.



*Pictured (from left to right) are: Front Row: Crime Watch Member Stacy LaBone, Crime Watch Member Judith Miller, East Windsor Mayor Janice S. Mironov, Crime Watch Chairperson Vincent Citarella, East Windsor Council Member Hector Duke and East Windsor Council Member Marc Lippman. Middle Row: Crime Watch Member Becky Anthony, Crime Watch Member Alvin Miller, East Windsor Deputy Mayor Perry Shapiro and East Windsor Council Member Walter Daniels. Back Row: Crime Watch Member Art Radford, Crime Watch Member Tom Pompilio, Crime Watch Member Richard LaBone, East Windsor Detective Joseph Gorski and Crime Watch Member Barry Fliegelman.*

This year's event was a huge success, attracting over 2,000 Township residents. Residents had an opportunity to meet and speak with local officials and were able to tour the police station, participate in police, fire and rescue demonstrations, and receive free photo identification cards for children and senior citizens.

All of the day's events were free of charge including various food and beverages which were supplied by local businesses and restaurants such as ShopRite, Wawa, Moes, Scoopers, Perkins, Dairy Queen, and KFC. The event included a Moon-Bounce, 25 foot Rock Climbing Wall and a face painting artist, which kept the children highly entertained.

Additionally, over forty area volunteer groups, organizations and local business, such as Womenspace, American Red Cross, Target, 101.5 Radio and PNC Bank, to name a few, were on hand to distribute information and prizes. Representatives from East Windsor Volunteer Rescue Squad 1, East Windsor Volunteer Rescue Squad II, East Windsor Fire Company 1 and East Windsor Fire Company 2 were on hand and gave demonstrations on an assortment of emergency equipment.

### Child Safety Seat Inspection

Did you know that over 90% of all child safety seats are incorrectly used? Some of the most common mistakes made are: facing the child forward too soon; not securing the child in tightly; locking clip not used correctly; using a recalled seat or placing a child in front of an airbag. Your child's safety is our concern! Let a trained child seat technician from the Township Police Department check for proper installation. It is simple and it is free. Call Sergeant Harry Marshall at 448-5678 for an appointment.

### From the Office of Animal Control:

#### Dog Licensing

Residents are reminded that all dogs over 6 months of age, residing in the township, are to be licensed each year. Dog Licenses are valid for the current calendar year and expire yearly on December 31. Licensing information may be obtained in person at the Township Clerk's office or by calling 443-4000, ext 240.

The Township Animal Control Unit performs a yearly dog census which involves canvassing of residences within the Township to inspect for valid licenses. Animal control unit personnel will be required to inspect current licenses for all dogs residing in your residence.

#### Fall Rabies Clinic

The Township Animal Control Unit has scheduled the fall dates for the 2008 Rabies Clinics. East Windsor residents can bring their dogs and cats for free rabies shots on these dates. Dog owners must present a copy of their current dog license or proof of last rabies inoculation to qualify for the shots on these dates.



#### November 1 Saturday

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm  
East Windsor Volunteer Fire Co No. 1

#### November 8 Saturday

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm  
East Windsor Volunteer Fire Co No. 2

Any questions or concerns should be addressed to the Animal Control Officer, Jim St. John at 448-5678 ext. 229.



## Public Works

### Trash Collection

#### Fall Holiday Schedule

There is no trash pick-up on the following Holidays. If your pick-up day falls on one of these days, your garbage will be picked up on your next regular pickup date.

HOLIDAY	DAY	DATE
COLUMBUS DAY	MONDAY	OCTOBER 13, 2008
THANKSGIVING DAY	THURSDAY	NOVEMBER 27, 2008
THANKSGIVING FRIDAY	FRIDAY	NOVEMBER 28, 2008
CHRISTMAS DAY	THURSDAY	DECEMBER 25, 2008
NEW YEARS DAY 2009	THURSDAY	JANUARY 1, 2009
MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY	MONDAY	JANUARY 19, 2009
PRESIDENT'S DAY	MONDAY	FEBRUARY 6, 2009
MEMORIAL DAY	MONDAY	MAY 25, 2009
<b>WATCH FOR YOUR NEW GARBAGE DISTRICT DIRECTORY</b>		

### Recycling Collection

Recycling dates for 2007/2008 are as follows:

#### AREA #1

Oct 8 & 22	Nov 5 & 19	Dec 3, 17 & 31	Jan 14 & 28 Feb 11 & 25
Mar 11 & 25	Apr 8 & 22	May 6 & 20	Jun 3 & 17

#### AREA #2

Oct 1, 15 & 29	Nov 12 & 26	Dec 10 & 24	Jan 7 & 21 Feb 4 & 18
Mar 4 & 18	Apr 1, 15 & 29	May 13 & 27	Jun 10 & 24

*All dates are Wednesday - Use the street index in the Garbage District Flyer to determine your route number*

### Leaf Collection

Please refer to the street index for the Area to which your particular street is assigned

#### PASS #1

Area 1 October 6 to October 11  
Area 2 October 13 to October 18

#### PASS #2

Area 1 October 20 to November 1  
Area 2 November 3 to November 8

#### PASS #3

Area 1 November 17 to November 22  
Area 2 November 24 to November 29

#### PASS #4

Area 1 December 1 to December 6  
Area 2 December 8 to December 13

**Final Pass** - One final pass through will be made through the whole Township between December 13 and 31. In prior years, additional passes were made through both areas due to a very successful program and very cooperative weather conditions. Public Works will strive to continue making extra passes in 2008.

## Public Works

### Recycling Information

Under a new system of recycling collection and sorting which went into effect in 2007, recyclables no longer need to be separated. Residents may use green or yellow recycling cans for any eligible recycling materials.

#### DO's

Newspapers and inserts  
Magazines, catalogs  
School, copier and computer paper  
Dry food boxes  
Powdered detergent boxes  
Shoe and gift boxes  
Brown paper bags and gift wrap  
All colors of glass  
Plastic bottles #1 and #2 symbol  
Juice drink boxes

#### DONT's

No waxed papers  
No soda or beer boxes  
No food stained boxes  
No frozen food boxes  
No paper towels  
No fax or carbon paper  
No paper plates Telephone books  
No ceramics or dishes Aluminum, steel or tin cans  
No light bulbs  
No chemical containers

### Earth Day Proclamation Presented to Grace N. Rogers School



Mayor Mironov proclaimed April 22 as Earth Day and presented a Mayoral Proclamation to the students of the elementary school with the most participation in the Recycling Poster Contest, the Grace N. Rogers School. Pictured (from left to right) are the school's student winners of the East Windsor Township Recycling Poster Contest: back row 3rd place (Grade 3-5) winner Jela Clark; East Windsor Mayor Janice S. Mironov; 1st place (Grade 3-5) winner Vraj Shah; 2nd place (Grade 3-5) winner Jay Vaingankar; front row - 1st place (Grade K-2) winner Andrew Mazurek; 2nd place (Grade K-2) winner Harish Rabindran and 3rd place (Grade K-2) winner Kayla Henderson.

### Snow Season

Snow is one of the most difficult challenges for Public Works. Snow plowing efforts can be aided by residents who cooperate with some simple rules. First, avoid parking on snow routes which are marked with **"No Parking When Snow Covered"** signs. Second, when clearing sidewalks and driveways, please do not push the snow into the street. It is often better to wait until crews have cleared the streets before clearing your walks and drive-

ways. If you do start early, leave the last few feet of driveway unplowed until the streets are clear. If plows are still working, they will unavoidably push snow back into the driveway you cleared. Finally, please understand that snow plowing is difficult and takes a heavy toll on the plow operators. For your safety and theirs, please do not let children play in the street while plows are operating. Plows are hard to stop and it can be difficult to see children because of darkness, blowing snow or sun glare after the storm is over.

# Fire and Rescue

## EMT of the Year

Mayor Janice S. Mironov proclaimed Emergency Medical Services Week and presented a Mayoral Proclamation congratulating East Windsor Rescue Squad, District I EMT of the Year Michael Alster and East Windsor Rescue Squad, District II members.

Michael Alster first joined East Windsor Rescue Squad, District I as a cadet in September 2002, received his Emergency Medical Technician certification in June 2005 and became an active member in January 2007. The Proclamation by Mayor Mironov praises Michael Alster stating, "Michael Alster is a valuable asset to East Windsor Rescue Squad, District I, eagerly taking on the responsibility of the cadet program for the past two years, and producing a large and active Cadet Core." The Proclamation continues, "Michael Alster, who has constantly demonstrated tremendous interest and enthusiasm, was the top responder in 2007 responding to over 320 calls for service, and has received training in rescue, incident command and other advance emergency medical technician skills."

The Proclamation by Mayor Mironov praises East Windsor Rescue Squad, District II stating, "East Windsor Rescue Squad, District II members have served East Windsor Township over the past 34 years providing emergency medical services in an exemplary manner and have dedicated countless hours of service and contributions giving selflessly of themselves."



*Pictured (from left to right) are: East Windsor Rescue Squad, District I Chief Robert Manlio, East Windsor Rescue Squad, District I EMT of the Year Michael Alster, Mayor Janice Mironov, East Windsor Rescue Squad, District II President Rita Teubner and East Windsor Rescue Squad, District II Captain Adrienne Loeb.*

## Halloween Spook-taculars

East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 2 will be hosting its annual Community Halloween Party on Saturday, October 25 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm at their station located on Twin Rivers Drive. Refreshments and costume prizes will be awarded.

East Windsor Rescue Squad, District 1 will be hosting its annual Haunted House. The Haunted House will be open October 17-19 and October 24-26 from 7:00 pm until 11:00 pm. The cost is \$5.00 and is recommended for ages 12 and up. District 1 will also be hosting its annual *Just 4 Kidz* Halloween funfest. There will be arts and crafts, prizes for best costumes and a behind the scenes look at the haunted house. This program is for ages 4 to 12 and will be held on October 18 and 26 from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm. All events will be held at the Rescue Squad building located on One Mile road across from the Police Building.



## Volunteer for Township Fire Company or Rescue Squad

Are you looking for a way to make a difference and give back to community that you live in. Volunteer to become a member of one of the volunteer emergency service departments in East Windsor Township. Fire Company No. 1 and Rescue Squad District 1 serve the western part of town, while Fire Company No. 2 and Rescue Squad District II serve the eastern part of town. All four agencies depend on people willing to volunteer their time. All training will be provided free of cost.

- You can contact the agencies at:
- |                     |          |  |
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| Fire Company No. 1  | 448-5487 | <a href="http://www.ewvfc1.org">www.ewvfc1.org</a>     |
| Rescue, District 1  | 448-5678 | <a href="http://www.squad142.com">www.squad142.com</a> |
| Fire Company No. 2  | 443-5130 | <a href="http://www.ewvfc2.org">www.ewvfc2.org</a>     |
| Rescue, District II | 448-8992 | <a href="http://www.squad146.com">www.squad146.com</a> |

## Recreation

### Summer Camps Fun For All

Township children enjoyed a fun-filled ten weeks in summer camps offered by the East Windsor Township Recreation Department.

Children in Grades K-1 enjoyed the Sunny Day Camps held at the Drew and Black Schools. Activities included swimming, outdoor games, and crafts. The highlight of each week was a trip to popular destinations such as Popcorn Pop Zoo and Giggleberry Fair.

Children in Grades 2-6 attended the Recreation Day Camps held at the Drew and Black Schools. Activities included arts and crafts, organized sports, special events and various games. The campers also went swimming daily and on weekly bus trips to places like Six Flags Great Adventure and Medieval Times.

Children in Grades 7-8 attended the Intermediate Day Camp held at the Kreps School. Activities included swimming, organized sports, and special lunch days at restaurants such as The Americana Diner, Marco Polo Buffet and Dairy Queen's Grill and Chill. The campers also went on a few trips per week to such destinations as Combat Zone Laser Tag and Seaside Heights beach and boardwalk.



2008 Summer Camp Staff

The Junior and Senior Travel Camps were busy every day with trips to such places as Hershey Park, Broadway Shows, Cape May Whale and Dolphin Watch and Medieval Times. The Senior Travel Camp spent a fun-filled day in Washington, D.C.

Working parents also took advantage of our Camp Care program for additional before and after camp hours. The Recreation Department is committed to making sure that families can take full advantage of the summer camp programs.

The summer camp programs were once again staffed by dedicated teachers and college/high school students who enjoy the camps almost as much as the children! These seasonal employees are committed to providing the children of the East Windsor community with a safe and exciting summer.



Families enjoy themselves at the Family Night in the Park at Etra Lake Park. The evening featured a concert, inflatable ride and a movie on the big screen.



### Discount Ski Tickets

The Recreation Department will be selling discount ski lift tickets to area ski resorts. Contact the Recreation Office at 443-4000 ext. 225 for additional information.

### Family Bus Trips

The Recreation Department will be sponsoring a bus trip to the Radio City Music Hall to see The Christmas Spectacular featuring The Rockettes on Saturday, December 13. The coach bus will be leaving the Senior Center at 9:00 am, show is from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm, and then the bus will depart New York City at 4:00 pm for a 6:00 pm return to the Senior Center.

The cost will be \$75 for Township residents and will include bus charter to and from the theatre and admission ticket to the show. Contact the Recreation Office at 443-4000 ext. 225 for further information. Tickets are limited and go on sale Monday, November 10!

## Recreation

### After School Programs

The Recreation Department offers a variety of programs for children in Grades K-8. Programs are held in the Black, Drew, McKnight, Rogers, and Krepes Schools. For more specific registration information, contact the Recreation Office.



#### Mad Science

This hands-on science program enables students to have fun as they learn about various aspects of science. System 3 topics include Under Pressure, Chemistry, fun-damental forces, wacky waves, science of magic, stunt planes and gliders and super structures.

### KidzArt Arts and Crafts

Learn how to draw AND MORE with KidzArt! Students will experiment with a variety of artist grade materials including pastels, charcoal, watercolors, and prismacolor markers. Curriculum will touch on animals and landscapes as well as seasonal and fall themes including PROJECTS. If you had fun with KidzArt during summer camp, continue the excitement during the fall AFTER SCHOOL!



#### Computer Explorers

CSI - Crime Scene Investigation - NJ! - Use logic, your senses and forensic science to solve crimes. Learn how to work the field scene and the laboratory end of CSI. We'll use finger printing, tire tread patterns and much more! Each lesson will focus on a new forensic skill which will lead to solving a final investigation. No blood, no gore....but excitement galore!

### Pre-School Programs

#### Fun with Mom or Dad (8 sessions)

Ages 1 1/2 - 2 1/2 years old. A fun filled hour is planned for you and your toddler with arts & crafts, circle time, music, and free play. If weather permits some activities may be outside. Wear play clothes and sneakers. Classes are held on Mondays and Wednesdays with a couple of Thursdays at Etra Lake Park Environmental Center.

#### Parent and Me (8 sessions)

Ages 2 1/2 - 3 1/2 years old. A one hour program will include arts & crafts, circle time, music, and free play. Our fun-filled class will emphasize learning through play, repetition, socialization, improving fine motor skills and some gross motor skills. If weather permits some activities may be outside. Wear play clothes and sneakers. Classes are held on Mondays and Wednesdays with a couple of Thursdays at Etra Lake Park Environmental Center

### Youth Sports Programs

#### Bowling

A (12) twelve-week bowling program for children between the ages of 5 and 14, as well as adults, will be offered at East Windsor Recreation Lanes. Contact the Recreation Office for registration information.



#### Golf Lessons

Golf lessons will be conducted at the Applegarth Golf Center and will be taught by P.G.A. professional Rich Bischel. Students will learn the basic skills of the golf swing and hit balls at the golf range.

### Register for Township E-News

East Windsor Township's E-News Update service provides e-mail notification of municipal news and special events.

Internet users can register on the township's website to be part of the E-News Update network. To sign up for the service, visit [www.east-windsor.nj.us](http://www.east-windsor.nj.us) and look for E-Mail News registration. A valid e-mail address is all that is required.

## Senior Center

### East Windsor Senior Center

Visit the East Windsor Senior Center located at 40 Lanning Blvd in East Windsor Township. The state of the art facility has many classes, events and activities to offer Senior Citizens 60 years old and over who reside in East Windsor or Hightstown Borough.

### Programs and Activities at the Senior Center

- Blood Pressure screenings first Monday of the month
- Exercise Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 9:30 am
- Core Conditioning Classes Tuesdays and Thursdays at 2:15 pm
- T'ai Chi Thursdays at 11:00 am
- Ballroom Dancing Tuesdays at 10:30 am
- Bingo Monday thru Fridays at 10:00 am
- Prize Bingo-First Monday each month at 12:30 pm
- Digital Photography-Mondays at 1:30 pm
- Spanish Class-Wednesdays at 1:00 pm
- Walk & Stretch with Sharon Wednesdays at 2:00 pm
- Tap Dancing Thursdays at 1:00 pm
- Crafts-Wednesdays at 12:30 pm
- Beginning Quilting Tuesdays at 12:30 pm
- Line Dancing-Wednesdays at 2:00 pm
- Yoga-Mondays and Fridays at 12:30 pm
- Water Color Painting Class Mondays at 1:00 pm
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Movies every Tuesday and Thursday Afternoons

### Mercer County Outreach Services

Mercer County Senior Outreach Aide Wilfred Jeffers is available to assist seniors with PAAD applications, Senior Gold Applications, heating assistance and hearing aid applications. Mr. Jeffers is at the Center on Wednesdays and Fridays from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

### AARP Defensive Driving Class

This course will be offered on Monday, November 10 and Wednesday, November 12 from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm at the East Windsor Senior Center. You must attend both classes in order to receive your certificate Upon completion of this course, students receive a "certification of completion" which when sent to their automobile insurance company, will entitle them to a 5% discount on the major portion of their automobile insurance for three years. Also, participants are eligible for a 2 point reduction on from their Motor Vehicle Bureau Record if applicable. Membership in AARP is not required, but students must pre-register.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov presents the East Windsor/Hightstown Senior's Club a Proclamation recognizing their 10th year anniversary. Pictured from left to right are: Betty Dorum, Treasurer; Anna McFadden, President; Mayor Mironov; Agnes Medican, Secretary; and Pat Clark, Vice-President.

### Senior Club News

If you are interested in joining the Senior Club, please contact Anna McFadden at (609)-448-6564.

Wednesday, November 12, 2008-Karaoke  
Wednesday, December 10, 2008-Holiday Lunch

### Recruiting Gran-Pals

The Rogers and Black Elementary Schools are currently looking for Gran-Pals for grades K-5. Gran-Pals assist students with academic and social skills. If you are available to volunteer one hour a week, contact the Senior Center.

### Volunteer for East Windsor Township Boards and Committees

Residents are encouraged to serve on the Township's volunteer Boards and Committees. Applications are available at the Municipal Clerk's Office and on the Township's web site at [www.east-windsor.nj.us](http://www.east-windsor.nj.us). Appointments are made January 1 or as vacancies occur throughout the year by the Mayor and Council. For more information or to receive an application, log on to the Township website or call 443-4000, ext. 240.

Under a special Mayor and Council created program, high school students can serve as members of Township Boards and Committees. High School students who wish to serve should submit a letter or application indicating their area of interest and reasons or related background.

## Senior Center

### Brave New World Computer Classes

All computer classes are taught by Marcia Duhart at the Senior Center. Descriptions of classes are outlined below. Please contact the Senior Center office for more detailed information.

#### Introduction to Computers and Lingo

Thursdays, October 16, 23, October 30 and November 6  
1:30 pm to 3:00 pm

#### Introduction to Word

Wednesdays, November 19, 26, December 3 and 10  
1:30 pm to 3:00 pm

#### Internet and E-mail

Fridays, October 24, 31, November 7 and 14 1:30 pm  
to 3:00 pm

#### Computers for the Newest Learner

Wednesdays, October 15, 22, 29, November 5 9:30 am  
to 11:00 am

#### Easy Internet

Thursday, November 13, 20, December 4 and 11 1:30 pm  
to 3:00 pm

#### Internet and Attachments

Tuesdays, November 18, 25, December 2 and 9 1:30 pm  
to 3:00 pm

#### Think Like a Geek

Wednesdays, October 22, 29, November 5 and 12 1:30 pm  
to 3:00 pm

### Upcoming Events

Bon Worth Fashion Show. Wednesday, October 15  
1:00 p.m. Senior citizens will have the opportunity to model  
clothing from Bon Worth.

Belly Dancing, Monday, October 20.  
Presented by Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at  
Hamilton.

Halloween Party, Wednesday, October 29th at 12:30 pm  
Jerry Castaldo will be the entertainer. Please wear a  
Halloween costume or orange and black.

**Thanksgiving Day Feast** on Thursday, November 6  
11:00 am Please join us for the annual Thanksgiving Day  
feast at the center.

**Teddy Bear Tea-Stacey Roth** will present Totally Tea.  
Wednesday, November 12 at 1:00 pm. Teddy Bears are sup-  
plied. Please bring in an outfit to dress your teddy bear and  
a tea cup. Refreshments will be served. We will be sending  
all of the teddy bears to Woman Space  
in Trenton.

**Holiday Party** on Wednesday, December 17 at 1:00 pm  
Please wear your holiday colors. The entertainer will be  
Tom Del Moore.

**New Years Day Party** on Tuesday, January 6, 2009 at 1:00  
pm. The entertainer will be Lorraine Rath.

### Health Education and Screenings

Wednesday, October 22 - Princeton Health Care Systems  
Health Fair from 9:30 am to 11:30 am. Blood Pressure,  
Glucose, Cholesterol and Body Fat Analysis among other  
stations will be offered.

Monday, October 27th-Medicare Update with Debbie  
Breslin from the Dept of Health and Senior Services.

### Trips

**Drumthwacket in Princeton NJ.** Wednesday, December  
3rd. Join us for a visit to the governor's mansion and lunch  
at the Princetonian Diner.

**Atlantic City, Thursday, October 23.** The cost of the trip  
is \$18.00. The casino will be Showboat. The package will  
be announced a few weeks before the trip.

**Vanity Fair Outlet, Monday, November 3.** The cost of the  
trip is \$15.00 which includes deluxe transportation, a shop-  
ping bag and coupon book.

**Hunterdon Hills Playhouse, Friday, December 19.** The  
production is called Christmas Playhouse. The cost of the  
admission is \$53.00 and the cost of transportation is  
\$4.00/\$2.50 PAAD.

Sight and Sound Theatre in Lancaster, Pa. Thursday,  
December 11. The cost is \$78.00 and please bring up to  
\$15.00 for lunch at the Shady Maple Buffet.

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## COUNCIL MEETINGS 2008

2008 East Windsor Township Council Meetings  
East Windsor Township Municipal Building  
Public Meeting Room  
8:00 PM  
October 21  
November 4  
November 18  
December 2  
December 16

Meeting dates subject to change, so check with  
Township Clerk's Office.

## SPOTLIGHT EAST WINDSOR

**S**potlight East Windsor, Ask the Mayor, with Mayor Janice Mironov, is a live call-in program on Comcast Cable Channel 27. *Spotlight East Windsor* appears on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. The program is one of the news and public affairs information programs featured on the local access channel for area residents. The channel also carries public announcements and programming throughout the week from East Windsor Township, the East Windsor Regional School District, and other community groups.

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