Local Financial Notes: Did You Know

he property tax bill consists of several distinct parts. In East Windsor Township, the property tax bill you receive is divided and paid out to respective entities approximately as follows: 65% to the East Windsor Regional School District; 21% to Mercer County, Mercer County Open Space Fund and Mercer County Library System; and about 11% to the East Windsor Township municipal budget.

The local board of education is directly and **independently elected by voters** of East Windsor and Hightstown. The board and its school administration, **not the municipal government**, oversee operations of the school district, the development of the school budget and resulting taxes.

While East Windsor Township gets to keep about 11% of the property taxes collected, the State requires that all costs associated with the manpower and system to mail out and collect all of the taxes are borne totally by the Township.

Even though East Windsor Township receives by far the smallest share of the tax bill compared with the school district and county, the **Township government is required by State law to include in the annual municipal budget a** *Reserve for Uncollected Taxes*. This Reserve is akin to an insurance claims reserve. When people do not pay their taxes or do not do so in a timely manner, the Township, nevertheless, is by State law required to pay the School District and Mercer County their respective tax amounts. The Reserve, calculated according to a State formula, is \$1.128 Million or 4 cents on the tax rate in the draft 2010 municipal budget.

When a taxpayer successfully appeals an assessment and therefore is entitled to receive a refund, the municipality is required to pay 100% of the refund including the taxes paid on behalf of the school district and county. Successful tax appeals also have a second adverse impact, requiring the municipality to increase its appropriated Reserve for Uncollected Taxes.

East Windsor Township operates on a calendar year budget, that is, from January to December.

This year, the Governor has withheld \$830,000 in Energy Tax Receipt (ETR) funds from East Windsor. The ETR historically and by their nature belong to municipalities, to provide dependable property tax relief for the respective municipalities. The ETR, replacement of the "gross receipts and franchise tax", was designed to replace the property tax in those communities that housed gas and electric utility property. This State collected tax, that was to be based on the amount of utility property in a town's borders, were not to be treated like discretionary aid, subject to political winds and economic misfortune or used by the State as part of its general fund

While the State is dramatically reducing funds to municipalities and calling for local tax caps, meanwhile, thusfar there remains in place **State binding arbitration system for police and fire contracts**. Over the years and even recently, it is not uncommon for the State-appointed arbitrators to issue awards in excess of 4 percent and require local governments and taxpayers to pay these amounts, without regard to whether the awards recognize the recessionary economic conditions or whether municipalities have the funds.

The **State regularly imposes unfunded mandates** on municipal governments, that is, the State makes a requirement, provides no funds and the town is forced to pay the bill. These unfunded mandates range from the State imposing certification requirements on certain locally-hired staff to requiring storm drains to be labeled with decals to ordering towns to provide a costly vehicle wash for public police and emergency vehicles.



Mayor and Council

Mayor and Council Hold Annual Reorganization Meeting

n January 1, East Windsor Township Mayor and Council held the annual Township reorganization meeting. Janice S. Mironov was sworn in as Mayor for the fifteenth consecutive year. Marc Lippman was sworn in as Deputy Mayor.



Pictured above from left to right: Council Member Alan Rosenberg, Council Member Marsha Weinstein, Deputy Mayor Marc Lippman, Mayor Janice S. Mironov, Council Member Hector Duke, Council Member Perry Shapiro and Council Member Walter Daniels.

Township Receives \$100,000 Grant for Route 33 Revitalization/Redevelopment

ayor Janice Mironov and Council Members successfully applied for a \$100,000 grant from the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) for a joint revitalization/redevelopment plan with Hightstown Borough for the Route 33 corridor from Route 130 to Summit Street, which includes the 37 acre "former Minute Maid Property" and the Airport Road/Route 33 intersection. The Township, as initiator and lead agency, had submitted a joint application with Hightstown Borough for the grant in November 2009.

The purpose of the project will be to review the current zoning and existing uses along this section of Route 33, with particular attention to the 37 acre former Minute Maid property which is divided between the two communities with 21 acres in the Township and 16 acres in Hightstown (the vacated Minute Maid facility is in Hightstown), and determine the most appropriate uses and zone changes to enhance development and redevelopment opportunities for this area. The study also will look at traffic circulation, potential roadway improvements and available infrastructure to support development, with special focus on the Route 33/Airport Road intersection.

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. 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.

Mayor and Council

New Playing Fields Update

espite the harsh winter weather, construction continues on the new playing fields at the recreation facility on Disbrow Hill Road, across the street from Etra Lake Park. The recreational fields will consist of two softball fields, compatible for use by both adult and youth leagues with adjustable baseline dimensions, and two multipurpose soccer/lacrosse fields. The site will include parking, a detention basin for drainage, and a new well/water treatment system for irrigation for the fields. Construction is scheduled to be completed in July.

Mayor Mironov and Council Members obtained \$1.2 million in County and State grants to support the project, which is geared toward expanding playing facilities for local children and local sports organizations.

The new facility will be located on part of 59 acres of open space acquired by the Township with Green Acres grant funds.

East Windsor Receives \$38,865 in Grants for "Turnpike Park Pathway"

ayor Janice Mironov and Council Members have received \$38,865 in grants from the Federal Highway Administration and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to construct a new recreational trail starting at the entrance to "Turnpike Park" off of Old York Road and meandering through the heavily wooded property. The trail will connect with a recently constructed pathway to the west in Woods Road Community Park.

"Turnpike Park," an 80 acre Township-owned open space property, is located off of Old York Road just west of the New Jersey Turnpike.

Grant funds will be used to purchase the trail surface material, signage, benches, and crushed stone for a small parking area near the entrance and some equipment use. The project is scheduled to be completed in July.



Turnpike Park Pathway will connect to the Woods Road Park Pathway pictured above.



Independence Day Celebration – July 2

ayor Janice Mironov and Council Members invite area residents to attend the Township Independence Day Celebration scheduled for Friday, July 2 (raindate Saturday, July 3) at Etra Lake Park. The festivities will begin at 6:00 p.m. with live entertainment. An exciting display of fireworks will follow. Bring your blankets and picnic baskets for an enjoyable night of family entertainment.

Roadway Improvements

Twin Rivers Drive North

Mayor Janice Mironov and Council Members received a \$316,000 grant from the NJ Department of Transportation for roadway improvements to Twin Rivers Drive North. The grant will be used to resurface Twin Rivers Drive North from Probasco Road to the area of Greenwich Court, as well as other associated improvements to curbing, drainage, and installation of handicap ramps. The work is anticipated to be performed in spring 2010.

Hickory Corner Road

The Hickory Corner Road project resurfacing Hickory Corner Road between Route 130 and Dutch Neck Road is complete. The project, funded by grants totaling \$440,000 from the NJ Department of Transportation obtained by Mayor Janice Mironov and Council Members, also included other associated improvements to curbing, driveway aprons, drainage, upgrade and repair of handicap ramps at required intersections, and replacement of all line striping and road markings such as crosswalks and stop bars. Hickory Corner Road, a major and much used municipal roadway, is home to a branch of the Mercer County library, Anker Park, Bear Brook Pathway and the preserved Lee Turkey Farm.

Mayor and Council

2009 Township Employees of the Year

ayor Janice Mironov recognized the following employees as the 2009 Employees of the Year: Municipal Clerk Cindy Dye, Police Officer Frank Maisano and William Broome Department of Public Works.



Pictured (from left to right) are William Broome, Department of Public Works; Police Officer Frank Maisano; Mayor Janice Mironov and Municipal Clerk Cindy Dye.

Employees Recognized for 25 Years

hief of Police William Spain and Director of Public Works William Askenstedt were recognized for 25 years of service with East Windsor Township.



Pictured above (from left to right) are: Mayor Janice Mironov, Police Chief William Spain and Deputy Mayor Marc Lippman. Pictured below (from left to right) are: Mayor Janice Mironov, Public Works Director William Askenstedt and Deputy Mayor Marc Lippman.



Mayor State of the Township Address

ayor Janice S. Mironov will deliver the annual "State of East Windsor Township Address" on May 4 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn and National Conference Center of East Windsor located at 399 Monmouth Street. The event is sponsored jointly by the Mercer County Chamber of Commerce and the East Windsor Chapter. For more information or to register contact Mercer County Chamber at 393-4143 or info@mercerchamber.org.

Township Receives Stimulus Fund Grant

ast Windsor was awarded a 2009 Business Stimulus Fund Grant of \$7,000 from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Parks and Forestry, to fund a tree-trimming program on public property identified in the Township Community Forestry Plan. Funding is being provided from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act through the USDA Forestry Service.

Municipal Buildings Going "Greener"

ownship officials participated in a free energy audit by PSE&G that resulted in energy efficient upgrades to lighting at municipal buildings. PSE&G is providing funding for 80% of the cost to upgrade the fixtures in the municipal building, police station, senior center and public works garage to new, energy-efficient bulbs and ballasts. The Township cost is \$22,990, which will be recouped in less than one year through the resulting estimated annual savings of \$32,810.

COUNCIL MEETINGS 2010

2010 East Windsor Township Council Meetings Municipal Building 8:00 PM

April 20	July 20
May 4	August 3
May 18	August 17
June 1	September 7
June 15	September 21
July 6	October 5

Meeting dates subject to change; check with Township Clerk's office.

Mayor and Council

2009 Township Business Awards

ayor Janice Mironov presented the East Windsor Township 2009 Business Awards to three local businesses. The purpose of the awards program is to honor local businesses in three categories: 1) creating an attractive appearance, 2) community contributions and service, and 3) providing a special community enhancement.

Sci-Park, an approved 240,000 square foot science and technology campus on 32.3 acres of land on Old Trenton Road, was recognized in the category of creating an attractive appearance by way of landscaping and the physical appearance of their structures and site.



Mayor Janice Mironov presents the Township's 2009 Business Awards to three local businesses — Sci-Park, Coleman Auto Group and Moe's Southwest Grill, Scoopers and Windsor Green Cleaner Pictured (from left to right) are: Nick Patel and Bud Patel, owners of Moe's Southwest Grill, Scoopers and Windsor Green Cleaners; Mayor Janice Mironov; William Kendall of Coleman Auto Group Windsor and David Traeger of Sci-Park.

Bud and Nick Patel, owners of Moe's Southwest Grill, Scoopers and Windsor Green Cleaner in the WaWa Center on Hickory Corner Road received the award for community contributions and service. Bud Patel and Nick Patel are long-time residents of East Windsor Township who enthusiastically contribute and donate to virtually every community activity, including the Independence Day Celebration, National Night Out, Annual Golf Outing, and many other events and community organizations.

Coleman Auto Group Windsor (previously known as Coleman Chrysler), a pre-owned car dealership located on Route 130 North received the award for community enhancement. Coleman Auto Group Windsor is a family owned and operated business and has been an integral part of the East Windsor business community for over 40 years.

Summer Events at Etra Lake Park

Mayor Janice Mironov and Council Members invite all area residents to Etra Lake Park for free summer events.

Sunday, July 18 6:00 p.m. Neil and the Diamonds

Neil and the Diamonds return to perform in 2010. Their 2009 show at Etra Park was fantastic.

Saturday, July 31 7:00 p.m. Family Night in the Park I

Come out for an amazing magic show prior to the showing of a movie on a big screen. In addition there will be games, rides and vendors for all to enjoy.

Sunday, August 15 6:00 p.m. Desire

Desire is a vocal group specializing in the OLDIES from the 50's and 60's, with a strong "group harmony" sound. Come out for a night of old fashion Rock –n-Roll.

2010 Community Events Sponsors

East Windsor Township thanks the following community businesses that have financially sponsored the 2010 Community Events.

Walmart
TD Bank
Shiseido America
East Windsor Farmers Market
Conair
John Mayorek
Corner Copia
Silver Decoy Winery
Holiday Inn
Hovione LLC
Saker Shop Rite
Moe's/Windsor Green Cleaners
Sushi King

Local business owners who would like to become a community partner by sponsoring Township Community Events can contact the Recreation Department at 443-4000 ext. 225.

Mayor and Council

New Businesses

ingas Famous Pizza has opened in the Town Center Plaza on Route 130 North (near the Shoprite). The new 2,000 square foot restaurant offers sit down or takeout services and a variety of food featuring an assortment of pizza, pasta, chicken, salads and sandwiches.



Pictured (from left to right) are: Front Row: Meera Shah and Kai Shah, owner's children, Mayor Janice Mironov, Ranjana Shah, owner's mother-in-law and Council Member Marsha Weinstein; Back Row: Council Member Alan Rosenberg, Council Member Perry Shapiro, Anita Shaw, owner of Singas Famous Pizza and Council Member Hector Duke

Chase Bank has opened on the site of the former Shoprite Garden Center on Route 130 south. The new 4,200 square foot facility represents the modern "green" prototype Chase Bank design. A two-story retail/office building and a free standing restaurant also have been approved for this site.



Pictured (from left to right) are: Front Row: Maria Arce, Teller; Irum Salman, Assistant Vice President; Mayor Janice Mironov; Cathleen Kerins, Branch Manager; Maureen Downie, Assistant Branch Manager and Sandra Estrada, Teller; Back Row: Council Member Hector Duke; Council Member Marsha Weinstein and Zehaib Alvi, Personal Banker.

Carnival Treats & Sweets has opened in the Town Center Plaza on Route 130 North (home to the Shoprite and movie theater), between "Great Clips" and "Cartridge World." The new store has a large variety of ice cream and toppings bar, frozen deserts, smoothies, milk shakes, gourmet chocolates and candies, with general seating and a party room.

La Caravana Restaurant has opened in the Twin Rivers Shopping Center on Abbington Drive. The owners, Rosa and Reinaldo Rodriguez and Emilio Hirashiki, operate two other restaurants in Elizabeth and Harrison. The new 1,500 square foot restaurant offers sit down or take out service and a variety of Peruvian-style food featuring rotisserie chicken and seafood and grilled platters.

Sears Auto Center is opening its first independently owned franchise on the grounds of the Coleman Auto Dealership. Business partners Bruce and Gary Coleman and Bill Kendall are the owners of the franchise that will enable customers to purchase Sears parts, have vehicles serviced or purchase a used vehicle certified by Sears.

Commercial Updates

abinsa Corporation, an international pharmaceutical company, has relocated its corporate headquarters to East Windsor from Piscataway. The company occupies the 32,400 square foot facility at 20 Lake Drive with 25 employees initially. Sabinsa Corporation, founded in 1988, is a manufacturer and supplier to the US and global markets of Ayurvedic herbal and specialty fine chemicals for nutritional, pharmaceutical and food industries.



Pictured (from left to right) are: Muhammed Majeed, Founder and Chairperson of Sabinsa Corporation; Mayor Janice Mironov; Jay Nair, CFO of Sabinsa Corporation; Council Member Walter Daniels; Council Member Hector Duke and Council Member Perry Shapiro.

Aprecia, a new, start-up company that performs research and development and manufactures prescription drugs will occupy the former NexMed building at the corner of Twin Rivers Drive and Milford Road.

The Promenade at East Windsor has received preliminary approval from the Township Planning Board, on Route 33 westbound in the Twin Rivers Planned Unit Development. This is a mixed use development that includes 2 one-story high-end retail buildings, 2 two-story office buildings, a bank and a day care center.

Mayor and Council

Join Adopt-A-Spot Program

ast Windsor Clean Communities 2010 Adopt-A-Spot Program is soliciting participation by community and school groups. Groups "adopt" a public property to keep clean for the year. A sign is erected on the site indicating that it has been 'Adopted by' with the name of the group. The group is expected to perform three cleanups per month from April to November 1, and participate in a Township cleanup day. To participate contact the Mayor's Office.

Congratulations to the 2009 Adopt-A-Spot participants: Boy Scout Troop 59; Boy Scout Troop 5700; Boy Scout Troop 6284; Brownie Troop 70496/Beth El Synagogue; Cub Scout Pack 53; Cub Scout Pack 6284; East Windsor Police Athletic League; Girl Scout Troop 70658; Junior Girl Scout Troop 70153 and Junior Girl Scout Troop 70536.



Pictured (from left to right) are: Boy Scout Troop 59 front row – Mayor Janice Mironov; Chirayu Gupta; Aaron Paton; Alex Jurkiewicz; Sam Tootleman and Ryan Richardson; back row – Michael Vetter; Jeffrey Bernas; Clean Communities Chairperson Vincent Citarella; Sandy Tootleman; David Paton; Ryan Lanphear; Lenny Bernas; Tom Vetter and Marc Richardson.



Pictured (from left to right) are: Junior Girl Scout Troop 70153 front row – Haley Jetter and Alexis Badillo; middle row – Hope Kleepe; Samantha Chikosky; Emily Orlando; Kassidy Meeler and Jennifer Keedy; back row – Mayor Janice Mironov; Emily Totka; Sarah Rodriguez; Clean Communities Member Arthur Radford; Kylie Foradori and Clean Communities Member Judy Miller.



Pictured (from left to right) are: Junior Girl Scout Troop 70536 front row – Maia Domingues; Megan Holzbaur; Sarah Boate; Elena Mazurek and RubyLove Greco; back row – Jessica Mukhija; Tara Lonsdorf; Courtney Kosman; Gabrielle Vittor; Clean Communities Member Arthur Radford; Taylor Harley and Mayor Janice Mironov



Pictured (from left to right) are: Cub Scout Pack 53 front row – Sahil Patel; Aidan Puchalik; Shalen Savur and Andrew Luczak; middle row – John O'Brien; Michael Hill; Michael Bellars; Matthew Infosino; Edward Monahan; David Harris; Evan Richardson; Geoffrey Infosino; Max Tottleman; Aiden Richardson; Ian Jurkiewicz and Christopher Infosino; back row – Peter Hill; Mayor Janice Mironov; Clean Communities Member Arthur Radford and Tony Infosino.

Township Recognizes Suggestion Box Contest Winners

ayor Janice Mironov presented certificates to the student winners of the Township Clean Communities Committee sponsored Suggestion Box Contest "Identify an Example of an Energy Saving Process or Device in Our Community and Explain How it Saves Energy."

The student winners were: 1st Place Winner Nicholas O'Neill; 2nd Place Winner Korey Ward and 3rd Place Winner Austin Lewis. Winners received Mayoral certificates of recognition and gift certificates to Barnes and Noble donated by Shiseido America.



Pictured (from left to right) are: 3rd Place Winner Austin Lewis; 1st Place Winner Nicholas O'Neill; Mayor Janice Mironov and 2nd Place Winner Korey Ward.

Police Department

East Windsor Crime Watch

rime Watch is a collaborative effort between East Windsor residents and the Township Police Department, geared to keeping residents informed and alert to activities within their neighborhoods. Crime Watch, which meets regularly on the last Monday of each month at the Township Police Department, is always seeking new volunteers to contribute towards keeping East Windsor a safe place to live and work. For more information, contact Detective Joseph Gorski at 448-5678 ext. 231.

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 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.

Child Safety Seat Inspection

otor vehicle crashes are the number one cause of death of children over the age of six months in the United States. The proper use of child car seats is one of the simplest and most effective methods available for protecting the lives of our young children in the event of a motor vehicle crash. Only the correct use of child car seats will offer the protection your child needs. There are many different types of child car seats on the market today. Each one must meet federal standards and all provide good protection for your child when used correctly. The "right" seat for you is largely a matter of personal choice. Choose a seat that fits your child and your car, read the instructions carefully, and use the seat correctly on every trip.

Correct use is easy if you follow four steps:

- 1. Read the manufacturer's instructions for your car seat.
- 2. Face the child safety seat in the proper direction
- 3. Secure your child snugly in the car seat.
- 4. Secure the child car seat with a seat belt.

If you would like a certified child safety seat technician to inspect your child safety seat, please call Sergeant James Geary at 609-448-5678 extension 221 to arrange an appointment.

How To Avoid Internet Fraud

- ☐ Know who you are dealing with. If the seller or charity is unfamiliar, check with the state or local consumer protection agency and the Better Business Bureau.
- □ Look for information about how complaints are handled. It can be difficult to resolve complaints, especially if the seller or charity is located in another country.
- ☐ Be aware that no complaints is no guarantee. Fraudulent operators open and close quickly, so the fact that no one has made a complaint yet doesn't meant that the seller or charity is legitimate.
- □ Do not believe promises of easy money. If someone claims that you can earn money with little or no work, get a loan or credit card even if you have bad credit, or make money on an investment with little or no risk, it is probably a scam.
- □ Understand the offer. A legitimate seller will give you all the details about the products or services, the total price, the delivery time, the refund and cancellation policies, and the terms of any warranty
- ☐ **Resist pressure**. Legitimate companies and charities will be happy to give you time to make a decision.
- ☐ **Think twice** before entering contests operated by unfamiliar companies. Fraudulent marketers sometimes use contest entry forms to identify potential victims.
- ☐ **Be cautious about unsolicited emails**. They are often fraudulent. The best approach may simply be to delete the email.
- ☐ Beware of imposters. Someone might send you an email pretending to be connected with a business or charity, or create a Web site that looks just like that of a well-known company or charitable organization.
- ☐ Guard your personal information. Do not provide your credit card or bank account number unless you are actually paying for something. Your social security number should not be necessary unless you are applying for credit.
- ☐ Beware of "dangerous downloads." In downloading programs to see pictures, hear music, play games, etc., you could download a virus that wipes out your computer files or connects your modem to a foreign telephone number, resulting in expensive phone charges.

Police Department

East Windsor Township Participates in Womanspace 2009 Communities of Light

ayor Janice Mironov, joined by Council Members Perry Shapiro and Marsha Weinstein, Mercer County Freeholders Ann Cannon and Dan Benson, Police Chief William Spain and members of the police department, Township employees, and members of the East Windsor Domestic Violence Victim Response Team and local residents assembled to participate in the Womanspace sponsored 2009 "Communities of Light" program, lighting up the Township Municipal Building with luminary kits purchased with private donations.



Pictured above (from left to right) are: Detective Joseph Gorski, Lieutenant James Brady, Lieutenant James Monahan, Mayor Janice Mironov, Chief of Police William Spain, Sergeant Scott Holtzclaw and Animal Control Officer James St. John. Pictured below (from left to right) are: Council Member Marsha Weinstein, Mercer County Freeholder Ann Cannon, Kim-Marie White, Christine Hodapp, Randi Gruntzel, Mayor Janice Mironov, Council Member Perry Shapiro, Cindy Dye, Jennifer Scarlata, Julia Martella and Mercer County Freeholder Dan Benson.



"Communities of Light" is sponsored by Womanspace, the primary domestic violence and sexual assault service provider in Mercer County, to raise funds and awareness of the on-going presence of domestic violence in all communities.

Volunteer for the Domestic Violence Victim Response Team

The Police Department, in collaboration with Womanspace, is recruiting volunteers for the Domestic Violence Victim Response Team. The team members work in conjunction with the police department to provide support, information and referrals at the time of a domestic violence situation.

Applicants must be at least 21 years of age, have access to transportation, possess a valid driver's license, be willing to serve a minimum of six 12-hour shifts per month and submit to background investigations, including fingerprinting. An 80-hour mandatory training course will be provided to successful applicants. An understanding of domestic violence issues and bilingual skills are pluses.

Interested citizens should contact Lieutenant James Brady at 448-5678 ext. 228. Applications are available at the Police Department, at 80 One Mile Road.

Township Recognizes 2009 National Champions Pop Warner Midget Cheerleaders

ayor Janice Mironov presented a Mayoral Proclamation congratulating the Hightstown Rams Pop Warner Midget Cheerleaders on winning the 2009 National Pop Warner Cheer Championship held in Orlando, Florida.



Pictured (from left to right) are: Front Row: Sarah Pagani, Andrea Schrock, Tasia Teele, Diane Villafane, Brionna Bryant; Middle Row: Jessica Riley, Brooke Gillespie, Arielle Golod, Jenna Hart, Rachel Katawick, Megan Keaveney, Michelle Lombardo, Mackenzie Mauro; Back Row: Mayor Janice Mironov, Jaclyn Bonacorda, Alexa Abbruscato, Coach Jeanie Lombardo, Coach Taylor Katawick, Coach Jenny Occhipinti, Coach Regina Shannon, Coach Suzanne Mauro, Coach Barbra Callhan.

Fire and Rescue

Firefighters of the Year

ayor Janice Mironov recognized Volunteer Firefighters of the Year, **Joseph Genovese** of East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No.1, and **Austin Pinkney** of East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 2.

Joseph Genovese has been a long time member of East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 1 since it formed in 1969, and has spent 40 years dedicating his services as a volunteer firefighter to protect the residents of East Windsor. Joseph Genovese has held various offices including President, Vice President, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Trustee and Fire Police.

Austin Pinkney has been a member of East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 2 since May 2007, and currently serves as Trustee on the Company's Executive Board. Austin Pinkney completed the Firefighter One course within one year of joining and has actively responded to over 350 calls, and is proactive in fire prevention programs and community events.



Pictured (left to right) are: Barry Rashkin, Chief, East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 2; Eric Coran, President, East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 2; Austin Pinkney, East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 2 Fire Fighter of the Year; Mayor Janice Mironov; Joseph Genovese, East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 1 Fire Fighter of the Year; James McCann, Chief, East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 1 and Chris Rosenberger, President, East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 1.

2010 Fire Company and Rescue Squad Officers

Fire Company 1: President – Carl Dye

Chief – Kevin Brink

Fire Company 2: President – Mark Cohen Chief – Barry Rashkin

Rescue Squad 1: President – Michael Quinn Chief – Scott Prykanowski

Rescue Squad 2: President: Rita Teubner

Chief - Tristan Torres

Township Gets New Daytime Emergency Medical Services Provider

apital Health Systems (CHS), effective May 1, will be providing East Windsor with daytime emergency medical services. CHS provided this coverage from May 2000 to April 2005.

Capital Health, one of four companies that provided proposals, was awarded the contract based on the best proposal and pricing to the Township. CHS, with over 200 employees and 33 vehicles assigned to field operations, has operated since 1997 and operates Mercer County's Advanced Life Services program.



Volunteer for Township Emergency Services

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 the Township, while Fire Company No. 2 and Rescue Squad District II serve the eastern part of the Township. Benefits include helping the community in which you live, free life-saving training, community college reimbursement and a length of service pension (LOSAP) plan.

You can contact the agencies at:

Fire Company No. 1 448-5487 ww.ewvfc1.org

Rescue, District 1 448-6321 www.squad142.com

Fire Company No. 2 443-5130 www.ewvfc2.org

Rescue, District II 448-8992 www.squad146.com

Public Works

Trash Collection

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	
MEMORIAL DAY	MONDAY	MAY 31, 2010	
INDEPENDENCE DAY	MONDAY	JULY 5, 2010	
LABOR DAY	MONDAY	SEPTEMBER 6, 2010	
COLUNBUS DAY	MONDAY	OCTOBER 11, 2010	
THANKSGIVING DAY	THURSDAY	NOVEMBER 25, 2010	
THANKSGIVING FRIDAY	FRIDAY	NOVEMBER 26, 2010	
CHRISTMAS DAY	FRIDAY	DECEMBER 24, 2010	
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WATCH FOR YOUR NEW GARBAGE DISTRICT DIRECTORY

Recycling Collection

Recycling dates for 2010 are as follows:

AREA #1

Apr 21 May 5 & 19 June 2, 16 & 30 July 14 & 28 Aug 11 & 25 Sept 8 & 22 Oct 6 & 20 Nov 3 & 17 Dec 1, 15 & 29

AREA #2

April 28 May 12 & 26 June 9 & 23 July 7 & 21 Aug 4 & 18 Sept 1, 15 & 29 Oct 13 & 27 Nov 10 & 24 Dec 8 & 22

Use the street index in the Garbage District Flyer to determine your route area.

RECYCLING DAY Saturday, May 1 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



ayor Janice Mironov and Members of Council will hold a East Windsor Senior Center, located at 40 Lanning Blvd Free pages of the control ices to recycle old personal documents

and confidential files securely will be available to East Windsor residents only. No commercial use will be permitted. Items accepted for drop-off are: computers and computer equipment, cell phones, fluorescent bulbs, printer and used eyeglasses (for the Lions Club). The Rescue Mission also will be on site to collect usable furniture, clothing, blankets and working household appliances and electronics. For further information, call 443-4000 ext. 215

Computer Recycling Program



n August 2009, East Windsor Township entered a partnership with Goodwill Industries to recycle computers and computer accessories such as monitors, keyboards, printers and other related components. Recycling of these items removes them from landfills, benefiting the environment and reducing Township tipping fees. Goodwill recycles the computers at no cost to the Township and generates revenues that employ the handicapped. Computers and their component parts may be dropped off at the Township Garage, located at the corner of Ward Street and Etra Road. Drop off hours are Mon. – Fri. from 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., excluding holidays. This drop off is only for computers. TVs, radios and other electronics are not eligible. Any Township resident may drop off computers. You do not need to be in the Garbage District to participate.

Mercer County Hazardous Waste Day

ercer County is hosting a hazardous waste disposal event at the Dempster Fire Training Center on June 26 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The following products are accepted: insect repellents, pesticides/herbicides, weed killers, stains, varnishes, acids, caustics, paint, paint thinner, vehicle batteries, antifreeze, chlordane, pool chemicals, etc.

For further information and dates, visit www.mcianj.com/recyclinghazwastedisposal.asp

Recreation

2010 Summer Recreation Camp Programs

☐ Sunny Day Camp

For students entering Kindergarten and 1st Grades, this camp will be held at the Black and McKnight Elementary Schools. Program activities include games, sports, swimming, arts and crafts, weekly trips, and special events.

☐ Recreation Day Camp

For students entering 2nd – 6th Grades, this camp will be held at the Black and McKnight Elementary Schools. Program activities include swimming, sports, arts and crafts, and weekly trips.



□ Junior Travel Camp

Held at beautiful Etra Lake Park for students entering 4th – 6th Grades. Campers go on a different trip each day. Trips include Dorney Park, Hershey Park, Great Adventure and Hurricane Harbor. Space is limited!

☐ Senior Travel Camp

Held at Kreps Middle School for students entering 7th - 10th Grades. Campers will go on a different trip each day. Trips include Dorney Park, Hershey Park, Deep Sea Fishing and Seaside Beach and Boardwalk. Space is limited!

☐ Camp Care

Before and after care will also be available for participants in the Sunny Day, Recreation Day, Intermediate Day, and Junior Senior Travel Camps.



☐ Mad Science Camp

Held at Etra Lake Park August 23 – 27 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon for children entering grades 1-5. In this weeklong program, campers will have tons of fun mixing up potions and experimenting with all kinds of chemical reactions! Our young chemists will grow crystals, create sidewalk chalk, and even make chromatography t-shirts to take home. Students will also become science sleuths as they investigate how chemistry provides evidence at the scene of a crime. During this hands-on detective work, children will gather & test "crime scene" clues, make & analyze their own fingerprints, solve a "Who Dunnit Crime" & much more!



☐ US Sports Institute Multi Sports Camp

For children ages 5-14, full day (9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.) and the Sports Squirts Camp (4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.) for children ages 3-5. Camps will run August 16 – 20 and August 23 – 27. Before and after care will be provided for the full day program. Contact the Recreation Office for registration information.

Recreation

After School Program

he East Windsor Recreation Department offers a variety of different programs for children in Kindergarten – 8th Grades. Programs are held at the Black School, Drew School, McKnight School, Rogers School and Kreps Middle School. Listed below are some of the programs that are offered.

☐ Babysitter Training Classes

This program is being offered in cooperation with the Mercer County 4-H Club. The program is open to students in grades 6-8. The course will be held at the Kreps Middle School. Contact the Recreation Department for registration information.

☐ Mad Science

This hands-on science program enables students to have fun as they learn about various aspects of science. Some classes will include a take home project!

☐ KidzArt

This drawing based program will provide children with the opportunity to engage in various age-appropriate craft activities and projects within a social setting. This course will give each child a chance to explore their creative side in a nurturing atmosphere.

☐ Computer Explorers

Students will participate in the nationally acclaimed technology classes that introduce the concepts of engineering and robotics, clay animation and movie making. Students work "hands-on" to build projects and compete in fun challenges.

Summer Camp Employment

he East Windsor Recreation Department hires counselors, supervisors and counselors-in-training (CIT's) for the summer camp programs. Counselors must be at least 16 years of age, supervisors must be at least 18 years of age and CIT's are 14 and 15 years of age. Anyone interested in any of these positions should contact the Recreation Department at 443-4000 ext 225.

Youth Sports Programs

☐ Golf Lessons

Golf lessons will be conducted at the Applegarth Golf Center and will be taught by P.G.A. professional Rick Bichsel. The lessons will be held on Thursday's at 4:15 p.m. and will continue for four weeks beginning on April 22. Program is offered to students in Grades K – 7. Contact the Recreation Office for registration information.



□ Bowling

An (8) eight-week bowling program for children between the ages of 5 and 14, as well as adults, will be offered at East Windsor Recreation LLC, located at 529 Route 130 North. The youth program will be offered on Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m. beginning on April 21 and an Adult-Child pro-



gram will be offered on Sundays at 6:00 p.m. beginning on April 25. Contact East Windsor Recreation LLC for registration information at 448-2258.

East Windsor Township Receives Municipal Public Information Award

ast Windsor Township was the recipient of a Municipal Public Information award from the Rutgers University Center for Government Services for "Spotlight East Windsor", a call-in cable television show hosted by Mayor Mironov, and co-produced by Dick Cunningham.

The Municipal Public Information Awards Program was created to increase public awareness of government and its operations and to provide useful information and services to citizens. The purpose of the awards program is to promote successful and innovative techniques to help government meet citizens' needs and to improve access to government services.

"Spotlight East Windsor" airs Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. on Comcast Cable Channel 27 and Verizon FioS Channel 38.

Senior Center

East Windsor Senior Center

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

Programs and Activities at the Senior Center include:

☐ Ballroom Dancing Fridays at 10:00 a.m.	
☐ Beginning Quilting Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m.	
☐ Bingo Monday thru Fridays at 10:00 a.m.	
☐ Blood Pressure screenings first Monday of the month	n
☐ Bridge, cards, games, billiards daily	
☐ Computer classes Wednesdays and Fridays.	

☐ Core Balance and Strength class Tuesdays at 2:00 and

Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. ☐ Crafts- first and third Wednesday at 12:30 p.m.

☐ Digital Photography classes Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. ☐ Exercise classes Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday morning and exercise to video every afternoon.

☐ Line Dancing Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m.

☐ Movies Mondays 12:45 p.m.

☐ Piano Lessons every other Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

☐ Prize Bingo-first Monday each month at 12:30 p.m.

☐ Senior Center History and Scrapbooking Club

☐ Socrates Café Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m.

☐ Spanish class - Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m.

☐ Tai Chi Thursdays at 11:00 a.m.

☐ Tap Dancing Fridays at 1:30 p.m.

☐ Volunteer Opportunities

☐ Walking Group daily 8:30 a.m.

☐ Water Color Painting Mondays at 1:00 p.m.

 \square Yoga - Wednesdays at 12:00 and Fridays at 11:15 a.m.

Mercer County Outreach Services

ercer 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 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Senior Center Gets New Coordinator

ina Leacock is the new Senior Center Program Coordinator. Mrs. Leacock has previously worked as a Senior Center Director for over 10 years in Evesham Township and prior to that in Mount Laurel Township. She received her Bachelor of Science Degree from The College of New Jersey.



Dina Leacock: New Senior Center Coordinator

Senior Club News

If you are interested in joining the Senior Club, please contact Joan Gordon at 448-8915. The Senior Club meets the second Wednesday of every month.

HEALTH EDUCATION AND SCREENINGS

Nutrition Concerns for Older Adults May 18, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Anthony Disson, RD, a registered dietitian with University Medical Center at Princeton's Nutrition Program, will discuss a number of issues.

Breast Cancer: The Importance of Prevention & Early Detection June 15, 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

All women are invited by Princeton Healthcare System to join us to learn about the signs, symptoms and risk factors for breast cancer, plus how to detect it early.

Osteoporosis Screening July 13, 10:00 a.m. to 12 p.m. Most people don't know they have osteoporosis until suffering a fracture. Program is provided by RJW Hamilton

Balance Screening August 25, 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Fear of falling can result in loss of self-confidence as well as decreased activity and quality of life. A physical therapist will evaluate your balance and risk of falling.

Colorectal/Anemia Screening Sept. 21, 9:00 to11 a.m. A simple take home kit can make a difference in early detection of colon cancer. Anemia occurs when the level of healthy red blood cells in the body becomes too low; receive instant results and educational material.

Senior Center

Parties and Events

SPRING HOEDOWN: May 7

Welcome the spring with a Square Dance Party.

JUNE CONCERT AND SING-A-LONG: June 8

Enjoy the incredible music of the Clearbrook Mandolin Ensemble, then stay for refreshments and meet the performers.

BAR-B-QUE: July 9

Enjoy an old fashioned Fourth Of July Bar-B-Que as you eat, play games, dance and listen to the Blue Smoke band.

DOG DAYS SQUARE DANCE PARTY: August 13

Beat the heat of summer with some ice cream and cool dancing.

Senior Citizen Photo Identification Day

ayor Mironov and Council Members present Photo Identification Day on Fridays, August 6 and November 5 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Township Senior Center. For information call 371-7192.

AARP Defensive Driving Class

his course will be offered on Monday, July 19 and Wednesday, July 21 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center. You must attend both classes in order to receive your certificate. The instructor will be Robert Davison. 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 a 2-point reduction on their Motor Vehicle Bureau Record will be available if applicable. Membership in AARP is not required, but students must pre-register. Cost is \$10.00. Class size is limited and the course must be taken every three years for the insurance discount.

Recruiting Grand-Pals

he Rogers and Black Elementary Schools are currently looking for Grand-Pals. If you are available to volunteer one hour a week, call the Senior Center.

Trips:

onday, May 3: Take a luxury motor coach to the **Sands Casino** in Bethlehem, PA. Cost: \$21.00.

Thursday, May 13: Trip to see The Sunshine Boys at Hunterdon Hills Playhouse. The cost is \$52.00 with the community bus transportation 25 cents each way.

Friday, May 28: Enjoy a day of live racing and lunch at **Freehold Raceway**. Cost: \$21.50 and the community bus charge will be 25 cents each way.

Thursday, June 10: A day at **Peddler's Village** starts off with breakfast at The Cock and Bull, including BINGO and a fashion Show, followed by time on your own. Cost: \$16.00 with the community bus transportation 25 cents each way.

Thursday, June 23 Visit to **QVC Studios** for a tour of a live television studio filming shows and see the inner workings of this home shopping giant. This is a tour for everyone, not just shoppers! The tour will be followed by lunch at Buca di Beppo and then an afternoon at Harrah's Casino in Chester, PA, all by luxury motor coach. Cost \$56.

Thursday, July 8: Take a trip to **Beach Haven** for an elegant lunch then watch the play 42nd Street. at the **Surflight Theater**. Cost \$39.00 with the community bus transportation 25 cents each way.

Monday, July 12: Take a luxury motor coach to an **Atlantic City casino** for the day. Gamble, shop the outlets, take a swim or walk the boardwalk for only \$21.

DATE IN AUGUST TBA: Enjoy a day of live racing and lunch at the **Freehold Raceway**. Cost: \$21.50 and the community bus charge will be 25 cents each way.

Tuesday, August 17: Trip to see **Don't Start Without Me at Hunterdon Hills Playhouse**. The cost is \$56.00 with the community bus transportation 25 cents each way.

OVERNIGHT TRIP TO MYSTIC SEAPORT IN AUGUST. Check senior center in May for details.

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REGISTER FOR TOWNSHIP E-NEWS

ast Windsor Township E-News Updates are sent at least monthly and provides e-mail information on new businesses and stores, roadway projects, grants and special events.

Internet users can register on the Township website to be part of the E-News Update network. To sign up for the service, visit www.east-windsor.nj.us and look for "Subscribe to e-News Updates". A valid e-mail address is all that is required.

SPOTLIGHT EAST WINDSOR

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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