# Mayor's Message EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP & SUSTAINABLE JERSEY

"Man is a complex being: he makes deserts bloom - and lakes die." - Gil Stern

**EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP ACHIEVED BRONZE LEVEL SUSTAINABLE JERSEY CERTIFICATION** in 2012, and is actively working toward *Silver* Level. East Windsor earned over the minimum of 150 action points, priority actions and creation of a municipal Green Team. The certification recognizes Township efforts in recycling, environmental resource protection, energy conservation, sustainable land use practices and furthermore enables East Windsor to be **eligible for grants and funding opportunities.** East Windsor received action points for many existing programs undertaken by Mayor and Council, such as:

- Creation of Farmland Preservation Plan
- Energy Efficiency Inventory Upgrade of Municipal Buildings
- Recycling/paper shredding events
- Buy Local campaign
- "Cut it and Leave it" Grass Program
- Backyard Composting Program
- Tree Protection Ordinance
- Environmental Assessment Ordinance
- Sustainable Land Use Commitment
- Green Building Policy
- Community Outreach Programs

"A nation that destroys its soils destroys itself. Forests are the lungs of our land, purifying the air and giving fresh strength to our people." — Franklin D. Roosevelt

**SUSTAINABLE JERSEY**, launched in 2009, is a certification program for municipalities in New Jersey that want to go green, save money and take steps to sustain long term environmental quality. **Sustainable Jersey** is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that provides tools, training and financial incentives to support and reward communities as they pursue sustainability programs.

Sustainable Jersey Certification is a prestigious designation for municipal governments in New Jersey. Municipalities like East Windsor that achieve certification are considered by their peers, by state government and by the experts and civic organizations in New Jersey, to be among the leading municipalities. Municipal actions to score points toward the meaningful certification designation must be accompanied

by documentary evidence and is reviewed. The certification is free and completely voluntary.

**SAVE MONEY. GET MONEY.** East Windsor sustainable practices lead to efficiencies and cost savings in energy, water and garbage expenses. **Many NJ government programs** such as recycling grants, are rooted in waste reduction achievements. **Participating Sustainable Jersey towns** also get special priority access and notification of incentives and grants, and are eligible for the Sustainable Jersey Small Grants Program provided through private foundation donations.

**CONSERVE VALUABLE RESOURCES. PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT.** Residents increasingly want to live in towns that are doing their part for the environment. **East Windsor** has initiated and involved the community in many programs which work to protect and preserve our planet and environmental resources. As a **Sustainable Jersey certified town,** East Windsor further aligns our municipality with community values while saving our resources as well as nature's.

Few contest the benefits of clean air, fresh water, waterways filled with fish, garbage in proper place, clean energy options, parks and open space and a healthy place to work and live. We all want and need to work for a more sustainable New Jersey.

"You cannot escape the responsibility of tomorrow by evading it today." — Abraham Lincoln

Mayor Janice S. Mironov



# **Mayor and Council**

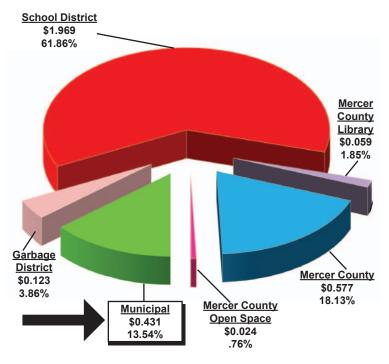
### 2014 East Windsor Municipal Budget NO TAX INCREASE

The total 2014 tax rate for East Windsor Township residents is \$3.183 per \$100 of assessed valuation [\$3.060 without the Garbage District], per below pie chart.

At \$0.431, the Municipal Government is only 13.54% of the total property tax bill. The Municipal rate represents an annual decrease of \$8 to the average residential property taxpayer.

Note: The 2014 Municipal Budget reflects NO TAX INCREASE, while retaining all existing services and containing no employee reductions. The 2014 municipal property tax levy is \$1,349,404 (5 cents) less than the increase allowed by state statute.

The Garbage District tax rate also has **NO TAX INCREASE** at \$0.123, which is 3.86% of the total tax rate. The Twin Rivers Planned Unit Development, all private communities, and all apartment complexes do **not** pay the Garbage District Tax, since they have private haulers for garbage collection.



The Township Council does not establish and has no control over the other 82.6% of your tax bill. These taxes are collected for Mercer County and the East Windsor Regional School District. The three taxes collected for Mercer County (\$0.66) constitute 20.004% of the total tax rate (County Tax, County Library Tax, and County Open Space Tax). The School District Tax (\$1.969) constitutes 61.86% of the total tax rate.

# East Windsor Exit 8 Transportation and Development Study

Mayor Janice S. Mironov and Council have scheduled a special meeting for <u>Thursday</u>, <u>October 23</u>, at <u>7:30 p.m.</u> at the East Windsor Senior Center (40 Lanning Boulevard), for a presentation to the public by the consultant Taylor Design Group of the final report of the "New Jersey Turnpike Exit 8 Transportation and Development Study."

The planning initiative, funded by a \$100,000 Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) Transportation and Community Development Initiative grant, was undertaken to review the impacts to circulation and development for the surrounding area of the relocated East Windsor Exit 8 Interchange and New Jersey Turnpike widening project. The goal is to best position East Windsor to take advantage of development and redevelopment opportunities, and to identify development strategies and implementation steps to maximize and attract high value, high quality, appropriate business and commercial development.

### **State of East Windsor Township Address**

Mayor Janice S. Mironov presented the annual State of East Windsor Township Address at a MIDJersey Chamber of Commerce meeting at the Holiday Inn East Windsor. The Mayor's address included updates on commercial development, new business openings, recreation and open space projects and goals, roadway and transportation improvements, and other Township news. The address can be viewed on the Township website at <a href="https://www.east-windsor.nj.us">www.east-windsor.nj.us</a>.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov presented the annual State of East Windsor Township Address at meeting of MIDJersey Chamber of Commerce at the Holiday Inn East Windsor. Pictured (from left to right) are: MIDJersey Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Robert Prunetti; Vice President and East Windsor Branch Manager of First Choice Bank Stacey DeAlmeida; Senior Vice President of Hopewell Valley Community Bank Nina Melker; Mayor Janice S. Mironov, and MIDJersey Chamber of Commerce Board Chairperson Stacy Mattia.

# **Mayor and Council**

# **Township Celebrates Opening of New Disbrow Hill Playing Fields**

Mayor Janice S. Mironov, joined by East Windsor Police Athletic League (P.A.L.) Executive Director John Funda and East Windsor P.A.L. Board President Tim Byrne and Board Members, celebrated the opening of the new Township grant-funded Disbrow Hill Playing Fields with an inaugural soccer game between 11 year old teams *East Windsor P.A.L. Lightning* and *East Windsor P.A.L. Rockets*. The new recreation site, located on Disbrow Hill Road directly across from Etra Lake Park, is part of 59 acres of open space acquired by the Township with Green Acres grant funds and includes two softball fields and two multi-purpose soccer/lacrosse playing fields and a new parking lot. Mayor Janice S. Mironov and Council Members obtained \$1.2 million in County and State grants to pay for the project, to accommodate a growing need for more playing fields to support local organized youth sports programs. For field reservation information, contact (609) 443-4000, ext. 215.



Prior to the start of the inagural soccer game between the East Windsor P.A.L. Lightning and East Windsor P.A.L. Rockets, the Team Captains and referees pose with Mayor Janice S. Mironov. Pictured (from left to right) are: (back row) referees Al Grupper; Mark Mittelstadt, and Carl Jantz; (front row) East Windsor P.A.L. Lightning captains Matthew Salter; Michael Andrade, and Diego Carpio, Mayor Janice S. Mironov; East Windsor P.A.L. Rockets captains Erik Brown; Nicholas Walkley, and Joseph Lenzo.



The opening of the new East Windsor Township Disbrow Hill Playing Fields was celebrated with an inaugural soccer game between 11 year old teams East Windsor P.A.L. Lightning and East Windsor P.A.L. Rockets. Pictured (from left to right) are: (back row) Coach Washington Andrade; Coach Galo Carpio; referee Al Grupper; Coach Greg Salter; East Windsor P.A.L. Board President Tim Byrne; referee Mark Mittelstadt; referee Carl Jantz, and Coach Rob Walkley; (middle row) Jonathan Jumbo; Dennie Yuen; Pratik Kang; Patrick Adly; Keerat Dev; Cilaw Faye; Vie Duvvuri; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Cristopher Soliz; Marco Quezada; Pablo Rivadeneira; Adrian Urbina; Brandon Drutsch; Nicholas Walkley; Erik Brown; and Charlie Harrison; (front row) Mateo Puppo; Tarun Chandanala; Eric Carchipulla; Jhony Cochancela; Robinson Melendez; Maxwell Weingarten; Michael Andrade; Matthew Salter; Diego Carpio; Liam Torchia; Marc Palacios; Antonio Camposano; Jacob Kochberg; Joseph Lenzo, and Tyler Kotsoff.

### **Township Launches Community Garden**

East Windsor's new *Community Garden*, located adjacent to the new Disbrow Hill Playing Fields, officially opened in May. A ceremonial event was attended by community garden participants, Mayor Janice S. Mironov and Council Members and Health Advisory Board Chairperson Andrew Greene and Members. The community garden provides residents with the opportunity to rent a plot of land to plant their own fruits and vegetables and is part of the Township's ongoing sustainable community efforts. For further information or to participate, call (609) 443-4000, ext. 246.



### **Mayor and Council**

# East Windsor Kicks-Off "We Check for 21" Campaign

"We Check for 21" is an initiative of Mayor Mironov and Council Members to deter underage drinking. As part of the Township campaign, liquor license holders are required to sign the "We Check for 21" pledge, affirming strong support of the program, as a condition of receiving their liquor license renewal for July 1. The Township recognizes and thanks the license holders personally attending the kick-off event for their support.



East Windsor Mayor Janice S. Mironov recognizes local liquor license holders for their participation in the 2014 "We Check for 21" campaign. Pictured (from left to right) are: Council Member and Municipal Alliance Coordinator Peter Yeager; Mitch Little of East Windsor Recreation Center, LLC; Ranga Adavelly of PST Associates, LLC; Retha Page of Club 8; Matthew Falcone of T.G.I. Friday's; Edward Bogdan of David's Pub & Package; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Jeneen Ryans of Holiday Inn East Windsor; Todd Borelli of Bottle King; Kevin Quigley of City Streets Café; Marc Citron of East Windsor Bistro, LLC; Brian Rodier of Charlie Brown's Steakhouse; Paul Miller of The Peddie Golf Club, and Jimmy Manetas of Town Diner.

#### East Windsor 20.6 Acre Farm Preserved

A 20.6 acre farm located at 130 Cedarville Road has been preserved through a Mercer County/State Program, bringing East Windsor Township preserved farmland to 16 farms totaling approximately 1000 acres. Under the Agriculture Retention and Development Program, landowners voluntarily agree to sell the development rights and a permanent deed restriction is placed on the property, ensuring it may be permanently used only for agricultural purposes. The landowner retains ownership of the deed restricted land, and the easement purchase cost is shared by the State and County. Mayor Janice S. Mironov and Council Members in 2013 unanimously endorsed the preservation of this farm.

### **Spotlight East Windsor**

Spotlight East Windsor, Ask the Mayor, with Mayor Janice S. Mironov, is a live call-in program on Comcast Cable Channel 27 and Verizon Channel 38. Spotlight East Windsor airs on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. (live every other Wednesday) and replays Mondays at 7 p.m., 8 p.m. and 9 p.m. and Thursdays at 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. The show is also now available on YouTube and can be accessed at the Township website <a href="https://www.east-windsor.nj.us">www.east-windsor.nj.us</a>.

### East Windsor Awarded 2014 Clean Communities Grant

East Windsor was awarded a 2014 Clean Communities Grant of \$42,644.01. NJ Clean Communities is a state-wide litter abatement program created by State legislation and managed by the NJ Department of Environmental Protection and the Clean Communities Council. The Clean Communities Act establishes a funding mechanism for the program by placing a user fee on manufacturers, wholesalers and distributors who produce litter-generating products.

### East Windsor 2014 Tree City USA®

The Arbor Day Foundation named East Windsor a Tree City USA® Community for 2014 for its commitment to community forestry. East Windsor, for the 14th year, has earned this national designation by meeting the four standards set by the Arbor Day Foundation: having a tree board or department, a tree-care ordinance, a comprehensive community forestry program, and an Arbor Day observance. The program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and the USDA Forest Service.

# **Volunteer for Township Boards and Committees**

Volunteers can apply to serve on the Clean Communities Advisory Committee, Commission on Aging, East Windsor Municipal Utilities Authority, Economic Development Committee, Environmental Commission, Health Advisory Board, Planning Board, Recreation Commission, Zoning Board of Adjustment and the East Windsor Municipal Alliance for the Prevention of Substance Abuse. Residents interested in volunteering can obtain an application form from the Township website or Municipal Clerk's office, and return by email to municipal clerk@ east-windsor.nj.us, by fax to 443-8303 or by mail to Mayor Janice S. Mironov and Township Council, 16 Lanning Boulevard, East Windsor, New Jersey 08520. For further information, call the Clerk's Office at (609) 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 an application or letter indicating their area of interest and reasons or related background.

# **Mayor and Council**

# **Township Earth Day Recycling Poster Contest Student Winners**

Student winners of the Township Earth Day Recycling Poster Contest were recognized by Mayor Janice S. Mironov at Council meeting on Earth Day. The poster contest theme was to promote the 4 R's of the Township Recycling Program: "Recycle, Reuse, Reduce, Rebuy." Winners received Mayoral Certificates of Recognition and gift certificates to Barnes and Noble, donated by corporate sponsor Shiseido America. Congratulations to all the participating students and to all of the winners!

### **GRADES K-2:**

*1st Place* – **Aiden Lang** (Rogers School) and **Alexander Pizarro** (Drew School); *2nd Place* – **George Dougherty** (Black School); *3rd Place* – **Anushka Nayak** (Rogers School) and **Dina Genek** (McKnight School); *Honorable Mention* – **Megan Khazem** (Drew School).



Mayor Mironov recognized the Grades K-2 student winners of the East Windsor Earth Day Recycling Poster Contest. Pictured (from left to right) are: Anushka Nayak; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Dina Genek; George Dougherty; Megan Khazem; Aiden Lang, and Alexander Pizarro.

#### **GRADES 3-5:**

1st Place – Renee Titicula (Drew School) and Rowena Kannaiyan (Drew School); 2nd Place – Vidhi Challani (Drew School) and Ashley Giampolo (McKnight School); 3rd Place – Dylan Abraham (Rogers School) and Sahaan Shyam (McKnight School); Honorable Mention – Wesley Yancey (McKnight School), Rithik Rajasekar (McKnight School), and Rithesh Rajasekar (McKnight School).



Mayor Mironov recognized the Grades 3-5 student winners of the East Windsor Earth Day Recycling Poster Contest. Pictured (from left to right) are: Rithesh Rajasekar; Renee Titicula; Rowena Kannaiyan; Vidhi Challani; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Ashley Giampolo; Dylan Abraham; Rithik Rajasekar; Sahaan Shyam, and Wesley Yancey.

# Township Accepted into Competitive Bicycle/Pedestrian Planning Assistance Program

The program, sponsored by the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) and coordinated through the NJDOT Office of Bicycle and Pedestrian Programs, provides technical and planning assistance for development of a comprehensive local bicycle and pedestrian plan. A committee, to be appointed by Mayor Janice S. Mironov, will be working with NJDOT and consultant Parsons Brinckerhoff to develop a community-wide bicycle and pedestrian plan for residents, to supplement and enhance existing pathways, trails and sidewalks throughout the Township.

# **East Windsor Housing Rehabilitation Program Continues to Accept Applications**

The program, funded by a \$200,000 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant and developer deposited funds, assists low and moderate income homeowners with making major structural and safety improvements to their properties. Homeowners who fall within the program's income eligibility criteria and guidelines can receive funds to repair or replace heating and electrical systems, plumbing system components, weatherization (windows, insulation, etc.), roofs, lead remediation and foundations. For further information, residents can contact the Township program administrator, Community Grants, Planning & Housing at (609) 664-2781 or by email at maryalice@cgph.net.

### **Township to Redesign Municipal Website**

Mayor Janice S. Mironov and Council have approved an agreement with Evo Government Websites to redesign the Township website, to modernize, enhance information and use, and thereafter maintain the website. The company was selected through a public notice and proposal solicitation process and extensive Township review. The goal is to develop a visually more appealing website with improved organization, increased information and forms, and easier maneuverability, so as to better provide residents and businesses with a wider range of valuable community information and resources. The process to develop the website, which will be ongoing over the next several months, will not impact use of the existing Township website.

# **Mayor and Council**

### Seedlings Distributed to Perry L. Drew School Students in Honor of Arbor Day

Mayor Janice S. Mironov issued an Arbor Day proclamation and distributed seedlings to Third Grade students at the Perry L. Drew School. The purpose of Arbor Day is to encourage the planting of trees to reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov presented Arbor Day Proclamation to students at Perry L. Drew School. Pictured (from left to right) are: Snigdha Thallapragada; Natalia Ordonez; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Kevin Richards; Javier Jaramillo-Nivicela, and Perry L. Drew School Principal Robert Dias.

### Louis Bay 2nd Future Municipal Leaders Scholarship Awarded

**SOHUM SHAH**, an East Windsor Regional School District Hightstown High School junior, was recognized as one of three state-wide winner of the 2014 "Louis Bay 2nd Future Municipal Leaders \$1,000 Scholarship". The New Jersey League of Municipalities statewide scholarship competition centers on the theme "What My Mayor and Governing Body Do Best" and seeks to advance the virtues of elected and volunteer members of the community, while raising awareness of municipal government in general.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov presents Sohum Shah with the 2014 Louis Bay 2nd Future Municipal Leaders Scholarship Award.

### Township Clean Communities Committee Recognizes East Windsor Deli

Mayor Janice S. Mironov and the Township Clean Communities Committee awarded East Windsor Deli owners Julie and Nick Germanos with a *Certificate of Appreciation for Keeping East Windsor Township Litter Free*. East Windsor Deli, located on Old Trenton Road just south of Route 571, was acknowledged as a food establishment situated in a visible prominent location on a major Township road, for keeping its property and parking lot free of litter and trash thereby enhancing the municipal appearance. The purpose of the annual award is to recognize a local business that has made special efforts to keep East Windsor Township litter free.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov and East Windsor Clean Communities Committee present to East Windsor Deli a Certificate of Appreciation for Outstanding Efforts to Keep East Windsor Township Litter Free. Pictured from left to right are: Clean Communities Committee Vice-Chairperson Gary Fournier; East Windsor Deli Owner Nick Germanos, Mayor Janice S. Mironov; East Windsor Deli Owner Julie Germanos; Deputy Mayor/Council Liaison Alan Rosenberg, and Clean Communities Chairperson John Donnelly.

### General Election is Tuesday, November 4

Polls are open 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. The last day to **Register to Vote** in the General Election is *Tuesday, October* 14. Individuals can **Vote by Mail**. The last day to apply to Vote by Mail ballot in the General Election is *Tuesday, October* 28 by mail, and *Monday, November* 3 by 3 p.m. if in person. Registration forms and vote by mail application forms can be obtained online at <a href="https://www.njelections.org">www.njelections.org</a>. Questions can be directed to the Municipal Clerks office at (609) 443-4000, ext. 240.

# **Mayor and Council**

### **ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS**

### **Woodland Drive Improvements Completed**

The work included milling and resurfacing, as well as repairs to curbs, driveway aprons and handicapped ramps, and was completed by low bid contractor Earle Asphalt Company of Farmingdale, New Jersey.

### **Devonshire Drive Improvements Completed**

The work, between Dorchester Drive and Yorkshire Drive, was completed by Mercer County and included milling and resurfacing, as well as repairs to curbs, driveway aprons and handicapped ramps.

### **Hickory Corner Road Improvements**

The work, between Dutch Neck Road and Dorchester Drive, includes milling and resurfacing, as well as repairs to curbs, driveway aprons and handicapped ramps. The project, funded by a \$250,000 New Jersey Department of Transportation grant, is anticipated to be completed in November.

### Township Awarded \$525,000 Grant for Improvements to the Intersection Area of Route 130/Conover Road/Hankins Road

The New Jersey Department of Transportation funding, successfully obtained by Mayor Janice S. Mironov and Council Members, will be used for the realignment of Route 130, Hankins Road and Conover Road to meet at a single point controlled by a traffic signal and allowing for all left-turn movements. The project, long advocated and pursued by local elected officials and cooperatively supported by the Robbinsville Township Mayor and officials, will enhance safety and facilitate vehicle flow in this area of Route 130. Fully engineered construction plans for this project are completed and all necessary permits have been issued by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. The New Jersey Department of Transportation approved a preliminary concept plan for the project and the required permit application remains under NJDOT review. All engineering design costs are being paid for by a Township developer funded transportation improvement program.

### Millstone Road Bridge Reopens

The bridge, which connects Millstone Road to John White Road, underwent a 9 month Mercer/Middlesex County replacement project to ensure structural integrity. The new single-span bridge is 70 feet long with two lanes, two shoulders, a sidewalk and steel railings. The \$2 million project was completed by Marbro Inc. of Montclair and funded through the New Jersey Department of Transportation's local aid funds division.



### New Jersey Turnpike Widening Project Updates

The NJ Turnpike Widening Project work continues. The resurfacing and striping of Route 33 is complete. Old York Road, between Conover Road and Windsor-Perrineville Road, was resurfaced. Monmouth Street, between Route 33 and the Hightstown border, and Etra Road, between Philyet Drive and the Hightstown border, were resurfaced. Restoration work on Davison Road and Richardson Road was completed. The Turnpike Authority reports that the entire widening project will be completed by the end of 2014. For additional project details and updates, visit <a href="https://www.njturnpikewidening.com">www.njturnpikewidening.com</a> or call the Widening Program's question line at 1-877-658-9433.

### **BUSINESS NEWS**



**ROSS DRESS FOR LESS** opened in July in the remaining 22,500 square feet of the former Super Fresh. The company

is the largest discount apparel and home fashion chain in the United States, with 1,173 locations in 33 states and the District of Columbia, including 12 stores in New Jersey. For further information, visit www.rossstores.com.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov cuts the ribbon for the grand opening of Ross Dress for Less, in the renovated Windsor Center at the southwest corner of Route 130 and 571. Pictured (from left to right) are: Ross East Windsor Store Manager Katie Bowman; Council Member John Zoller; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Council Member Perry M. Shapiro; Ross Zone Director John Iacobellis, and Council Member Hector Duke.

# **Mayor and Council**



**SMASHBURGER,** slated for a fall 2014 opening, is moving into 5,000 square feet in Windsor Center. Known for its "smashed seared and seasoned to order"

burgers made from certified Angus beef, the restaurant menu also includes grilled chicken sandwiches, fresh entrée salads, and an array of signature sides including sweet potato fries and fried pickles, as well as hand-spun Haagen-Dazs shakes. The restaurant also offers localized burgers in each market based upon regional flavors.



MATHNASIUM opened in East Windsor Town Center Plaza on Route 130 North, between Dabusco's Pizzeria and Dress Barn. Mathnasium is an international chain of year-round learning centers where children in grades 2 to 12 go to improve their math skills. Each franchised center utilizes the "Mathnasium Method," an individually customizable educational curriculum created through over 35 years of classroom experience and research. Mathnasium has over 500 worldwide locations and 27 locations in New Jersey, including Freehold and Spotswood. For further information, visit www.mathnasium.com.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov cuts the ribbon for the grand opening of Mathnasium. Pictured (from left to right) are: Co-owner Rajneesh Goyal and son Sahal Goyal; Council Member Perry Shapiro; Co-owner Mona Goyal and daughter Syna Goyal; Deputy Mayor Alan Rosenberg; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Council Member John Zoller, and Council Member Peter Yeager.



**A PLACE TO DANCE** opened on Route 130 South at the corner of Maple Stream Road. The award winning 1,000 square foot

dance studio, directed by Melanie Jones, offers classes in ballet, tap, jazz, hip hop, pointe and musical theater, as well as recreational and competition teams. According to *A Place to Dance*, "all programs are based upon a fun, student centered curriculum designed to teach a love of the art of dance. All ages and abilities are welcome and scholarships are available." For more information, visit www.aplacetodancenj.com.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov cuts the ribbon for the grand opening of A Place to Dance. Pictured (from left to right) are: (back row) – Terrell Moody, Deputy Mayor Alan Rosebnerg; Mercer County Clerk Paula Sollami-Covello; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; A Place to Dance Director Melanie Jones; Council Member Hector Duke, and Council Member John Zoller; (front row) – Parker Zaffarese; Ashley Evans; Giana Aviles; Morgan Evans; Tanner Hutchinson; Tiffany Hill; Ella Zaffares; Sarah Evans, and Stephanie Hill.



**PAKMAIL** has relocated to a retail center on Route 130, just north of Goodyear. Pak Mail, which

operated for 6 years in Town Center Plaza, is a full service packing and shipping store, as well as a custom crating and freight shipping company. From a sales perspective, the East Windsor store is ranked 71 out of 280 stores nationwide and 400 stores worldwide. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.pakmaileastwindsor.com">www.pakmaileastwindsor.com</a>.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov cuts the ribbon for the grand opening of the relocated Pakmail. Pictured (from left to right) are: Council Member John Zoller; Council Member Hector Duke; Pakmail employee Freddy Morrer; Pakmail Manager Michael Baskin; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Council Member Perry Shapiro, and Council Member Peter Yeager.

# **Mayor and Council**



**NOVO TECH** opened on Princeton Hightstown Road (Route 571) across from Route 133, in the nearly 43,000 square foot *Patscentre* building, designed by renowned British architect Sir Richard Rogers, best known for the Pompidou Cultural Centre in Paris. Novo Tech, which has

relocated from East Brunswick, is a high-tech compounding pharmacy that specializes in customized pharmaceuticals and will use the facility for research and development with accompanying offices. Novo Tech has invested in state-of-the-art equipment and developed detailed processes that ensure their products are formulated consistently and precisely to patient needs and limitations. Since every prescription is made to order, Novo Tech can customize treatments and address the unique characteristics of each patient's condition and circumstance. For further information visit <a href="http://www.innovorx.com">http://www.innovorx.com</a>.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov cuts the ribbon for the grand opening of Novo Tech. Pictured (from left to right) are: Council Member Peter Yeager; Novo Tech Managing Director Patrick Patel; Mayor Janice S. Mironov, and Council Member Perry Shapiro.

WINDSOR LABS opened in an existing 28,000 square foot building on Lake Drive at the intersection of Twin Rivers Drive. The pharmaceutical company, owned and operated by Douglas and Janet Van Pelt, is both a manufacturing and distribution center which will focus on the production and packaging of dietary supplements, specializing in difficult to encapsulate products. The company has made substantial interior building upgrades and plans to add new granulation, tablet compression and coating equipment in the next several months. For further information, visit <a href="https://www.windsorlabs.us">www.windsorlabs.us</a>.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov cuts the ribbon for the grand opening of Windsor Labs. Pictured (from left to right) are: Deputy Mayor Alan Rosenberg; Council Member John Zoller; Windsor Labs Owner Janet Van Pelt; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Windsor Labs Owner Douglas Van Pelt, and Council Member Hector Duke.

### **Police**

### Lieutenant Harry Marshall Sworn-In as New East Windsor Chief of Police

Chief Marshall, most recently the Uniform Services Administrative Commander, joined the Township Police Department in 1995 and is a 1990 graduate of the Ocean County Police Academy. During his career with East Windsor Township, Chief Marshall has held the ranks of detective and sergeant and was promoted to lieutenant in 2010. Prior to East Windsor, he was a police officer for Easthampton Township for five years. Chief Marshall also is a retired Captain in the New Jersey Air National Guard with 20 years of service. Chief Marshall, who attended the prestigious West Point Command and Leadership Program, is the recipient of many awards including the Honorable Service Award, Educational Achievement Award, Unit Citation Medal and several Certificates of Merit and Letters of Recognition for distinguished service. He has a bachelor's degree in sociology and criminology from the University of Southern Colorado and a master's degree in administration from Central Michigan University.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov (right) administered the oath of office to new East Windsor Township Chief of Police Harry Marshall as his wife Traci holds the Bible.

### Volunteer for Domestic Violence Victim Response Team

East Windsor Township Police, in collaboration with Womanspace, Inc., is currently recruiting volunteers who work in conjunction with the police to provide support, information and referral at the time of a domestic violence crisis. Applicants must be 18 years of age or older, possess a valid driver's license and access to transportation, be willing to serve a minimum of six 12- hour shifts per month, and submit to a background investigation, including fingerprinting. Bilingual individuals are encouraged to participate. An 80-hour mandatory training course is provided. Applications are available at the East Windsor Police/Court Building (80 One Mile Road) or visit <a href="www.womanspace.org">www.womanspace.org</a>. For more information, contact Detective Joseph Gorski at (609) 448-5678, ext. 231.

### **Police**

### **Township Celebrates National Night Out**

East Windsor Township "National Night Out," celebrated on August 5, was attended by over 2,000 people. Sponsored by Mayor Janice S. Mironov, Council Members and the East Windsor Police Department, "National Night Out" is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support for, and participate in, local anticrime programs, strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships, and foremost send a strong message to criminals letting them know that the community and police have joined together in fighting crime. The annual event demonstrates the commitment of East Windsor Township in promoting a cooperative partnership between police, local government and citizens to vigilance and crime prevention throughout the East Windsor community.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov presents a Proclamation for 2014 "National Night Out" to East Windsor Crime Watch members. Pictured (from left to right): Crime Watch Member Wayne Vega; Crime Watch Member Richard Labone; Crime Watch Member Stacy Labone; Chief of Police Harry Marshall; Crime Watch Chairperson Vincent Citarella; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Council Member Peter Yeager; Deputy Mayor Alan Rosenberg; Council Member John Zoller; Council Member Marc Lippman, and event coordinator Police Detective Joseph Gorski.

### **Free Fall Rabies Clinics**

Township residents can bring their dogs and cats for free rabies shots on the below 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.

### Saturday, November 1

1 p.m. – 3 p.m. East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 1 (51 One Mile Road)

### Saturday, November 8

1 p.m. – 3 p.m. East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 2 (69 Twin Rivers Drive)

Questions should be addressed to the Animal Control Officer at (609) 448-5678, ext. 229.

### Police Lieutenant Christopher Jackson and Sergeant Ryan Ballard Promoted

The police department promotions filled vacated positions created by the retirement of former Lieutenant Todd Hoagland. New Lieutenant Christopher Jackson, hired in 1996, has served in Uniform Services as a Patrol Officer, Field Training Officer and Secondary Officer in Charge. In October 2010, he was promoted to Sergeant, supervising a Uniformed Services platoon until May 2011 when he was assigned to supervise the Traffic Safety Unit. Lieutenant Jackson, 2013 Employee of the Year, has received several medals, awards and recognitions. He has a Bachelor's Degree (Law and Justice) from The College of New Jersey and Master's Degree (Administrative Science) from Fairleigh Dickinson University. New Sergeant Ryan Ballard, hired in 2003, has served in Uniform Services as a Patrol Officer, Field Training Officer, Evidence Technician, Secondary Officer in Charge, Primary Officer in Charge, Radar Instructor, Child Safety Seat Technician, Traffic Safety Officer and Drug Recognition Expert. Sergeant Ballard, 2011 Employee of the Year, has been awarded the Life Saving Medal, the Distinguished Service Award from Mothers Against Drunk Driving in 2009 and 2012, and the New Jersey DWI Top Gun Award from the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General in 2011. He has a Bachelor's Degree (Criminal Justice) from Rutgers University and a Master's Degree (Administrative Science) from Fairleigh Dickinson University.



Pictured (from left to right): Sergeant Ryan Ballard; Mayor Janice S. Mironov, and Lieutenant Christopher Jackson.

### **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 annually on December 31. Licensing information may be obtained in person at the Township Clerk's Office or by calling 443-4000, ext. 240. The Animal Control Unit performs an annual dog census which involves canvassing or residences within the Township to inspect for valid licenses. Animal Control Unit personnel will be required to inspect current licenses for all dogs residing at your residence.

### **Fire and Rescue**

# 2014 East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company and Rescue Squad Officers

Fire Company 1: Chief – Tony Katawick

President – Gerald Laughlin, Jr.

Fire Company 2: Chief – Eric Coran

President – Ben Thornton

Rescue Squad 1: Chief – Scott Prykanowski

President – Kira Behan

Rescue Squad 2: Chief – Jonathan Wassef

President – Amanda Brooks

# EMT's of the Year Honored ZACHARY BEYER and ARLEN FORST

Mayor Janice S. Mironov acknowledged and praised by Proclamations all Township emergency medical services volunteers of East Windsor Rescue Squad, District 1 and District 2 for their exemplary service, and recognized East Windsor Rescue Squad, District I "EMT of the Year" Zachary Bever and East Windsor Rescue Squad, District II "EMT of the Year" Arlen Forst. Zachary Beyer, who joined Rescue Squad, District I in 2011, currently serves as Deputy Chief, is an active riding member on the ambulance and rescue truck and is undergoing training in vehicle rescue operations. Zachary Beyer is directly responsible for an adult CPR save and has assisted other volunteers in responding to emergency medical service needs. Arlen Forst, who joined Rescue Squad, District II in 2001, serves as Treasurer of the Executive Board and has held numerous positions of leadership and key responsibility within the organization including President, Treasurer, Trustee and Deputy Chief. Arlen Forst has been awarded "Emergency Medical Technician of the Year" several times and has stood out as a role model, mentor and friend to other volunteers to ensure on-going efficient operations of Rescue Squad District II.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov recognizes "EMT'S of the Year" Zachary Beyer of East Windsor Rescue Squad, District No. 1 and Arlen Forst of East Windsor Rescue Squad, District II. Pictured (from left to right) are: East Windsor Rescue Squad, District I Chief Scott Prykanowski; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Zachary Beyer, East Windsor Rescue Squad, District I "EMT of the Year"; Arlen Forst, East Windsor Rescue Squad, District II "EMT of the Year", and East Windsor Rescue Squad, District II Chief Tristan Torres.

### **Volunteer for Township Emergency Services**

Become a member of one of the volunteer emergency service agencies in East Windsor Township. Fire Company No. 1 and Rescue Squad District I 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 training, community college reimbursement and a length of service pension plan.

Fire Company No. 1: 448-5487 <u>www.ewvfc1.org</u>

Fire Company No. 2: 443-5130 <u>www.ewvfc2.org</u>

Rescue Squad District I: 448-6321 <u>www.squad142.com</u>

Rescue Squad District II: 448-8992 www.squad146.com

### **Construction Permits**

What is a construction permit?

A construction permit represents legal permission to begin a construction project. The issuance of a permit indicates that plans for a project have been approved by East Windsor Township officials and have complied with the Uniform Construction Code and Township Zoning Ordinance.

When is a construction permit required?

A permit is required if an individual wishes to construct, enlarge, alter or demolish a structure. Included in this category are those projects which change any existing structure or add to that structure, such as a deck, pool, fence, shed, garage, or house addition. A construction permit is also required for work such as replacement of siding or roofing, plumbing system upgrades, new water heater or furnace, new electrical receptacles and changing the size of existing windows.

What is the permit application process?

To apply for a permit, the required documentation includes a permit application, construction plans and a survey or plot plan. Once the required documents are submitted, the Township Zoning Officer completes the zoning review and then the documents are reviewed by the building, electrical, plumbing and subcode officials to ensure completeness. The process typically takes up to 20 business days. State law mandates that the Construction Office issue a fine of up to \$500.00 to any person who performs work without a permit if the construction is of a nature which requires a permit. For further information call (609) 443-4000, ext. 206.

### **Public Works**

### FOR UP-TO-DATE SCHEDULES AND INFORMATION

GO TO www.east-windsor.nj.us

### **2014 Recycling Dates**

Recycling is collected on every other Wednesday.

#### Area 1

October 15	January 7
October 29	January 21
November 12	February 4
November 26	February 18
December 10	March 4
December 24	March 18

#### Area 2

January 14
January 28
February 11
February 25
March 11
March 25

### Garbage Collection Holidays

There is no curbside garbage collection on the following Holidays, and garbage will be collected on the next regular collection date:

- Monday, October 13 Columbus Day
- Thursday, November 27 Thanksgiving
- Friday, November 28 Thanksgiving Friday
- Thursday, December 25 Christmas Day
- Monday, January 19, 2015 Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday
- Monday, February 16, 2015 President's Day



# Recycling Services Available at Public Works Facility

The Township offers recycling services to East Windsor Township residents at their public works facility, located at 309 Ward Street, Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Acceptable items include electronics (televisions, computers, monitors), automotive (car batteries, tires) and white goods (major appliances, air conditioners, steel and metal cabinets). For more information call (609) 443-4000, ext. 215 or visit www.east-windsor.nj.us.



**Leaf Collection** 

The Township fall leaf collection program will begin on Monday, October 6 and end on Friday, December 26. The program plan is divided into Area 1 and Area 2 for scheduled pick-up. Additional full passes will be made throughout the Township beginning Monday, December 15 and concluding Friday, December 26 weather permitting. The final passes will cover both areas through Dec. 26 or until the first significant snowfall. Leaves may not be put out after December 22 to allow crews to finish the final pass by December 27.

### **Mercer County Electronic Waste/Shredding Day**

Electronic Waste/Shredding Day will be held **SATURDAY**, **NOVEMBER 1 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.** at Sun National Bank Center – Lot 1, 80 Hamilton Avenue, Trenton. **NO Hazardous Waste accepted.** See <a href="www.mcianj.org">www.mcianj.org</a> for information.

### Recreation

### **2014 Community Events Sponsors**

East Windsor Township thanks the following community businesses that have financially sponsored the 2014 community events.

### PLATINUM SUPPORTER

Comcast

First Choice Bank Hamilton Honda Shiseido America

#### **GOLD SUPPORTER**

Conair Corporation
Corner of Chaos
Corner Copia
Days Inn of East Windsor
Holiday Inn of East Windsor

#### SILVER SUPPORTER

Art and Frame Express Delaware Valley OB/GYN Fulton Bank **H&H** Appliance Hand & Stone Massage Hampton Inn of East Windsor Home Instead Senior Care Moe's Southwest Grille Pakmail Perez & Radosti Associates Personal Paperwork Solutions Saker ShopRites SciPark Condo Association Steven Harris D.D.S. Sushi King Asian Fusion Cuisine T & M Associates Windsor Green Cleaners

### **2014 Summer Community Events**

Attendees of the Summer Concerts and Family Night enjoyed several fun evenings of entertainment. The Independence Day Celebration featured "Jerry Rife's Rhythm Kings Dixieland Jazz Band" and the "Trenton Brass Quintet Plus One Band". After the music, a fireworks display dazzled the crowd! Concerts included "Neil and the Diamonds" on July 20, "The Mahoney Brothers" on August 3 and "The Cameos" on August 10. Family Night in the Park on August 16th offered residents free inflatable rides and games, followed by a showing of "The Lego Movie."





### **Fall/Winter Programs**

The Recreation Department offers a variety of programs for children and adults. Programs are held at the Black, Drew, McKnight, Rogers and Kreps Schools. Programs include NHL Street Hockey, Mad Science, KidsArt, Bricks 4 Kidz, Kung-Fu, Pottery, various community trips including Disney on Ice and a Philadelphia Flyers hockey game. For more specific registration and program information, email the Recreation Department at <a href="mailto:recreation@east-windsor.nj.us">recreation@east-windsor.nj.us</a>, visit <a href="www.east-windsor.nj.us">www.east-windsor.nj.us</a> and click on "Township Departments," then "Recreation", or call (609) 443-4000, ext. 214.

### 2014 Summer Camp - Fun For All!

Participants in the 2014 East Windsor Summer Camp Program had their share of fun activities and fond memories. From tacky clothing day, to role model day, to carnival day, campers had a great time!





### **Senior Center**

Visit the East Windsor Senior Center located at 40 Lanning Boulevard. The state-of-the-art facility has many classes, events and activities to offer adults 60 years old and over who reside in East Windsor or Hightstown. Contact the Senior Center at (609) 371-7192 for further information.



### **PARTIES AND EVENTS**

# HALLOWEEN GRANDPARENTS HAYRIDE: Wednesday, October 29, Time: after school

Take an exciting hayride with your grandchildren in the late afternoon at Lee Turkey Farm. Enjoy the history of Lee Turkey Farm and pick your own pumpkin.

# HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY:

Thursday, October 30, 1:00 p.m.

Get that costume on and come out for a chillingly fun party with a costume parade and prizes and some eerily yummy treats you just have to sink your teeth into. Entertainment provided by Bobby Anderson of the Anderson Brothers Duo.

### THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON:

Thursday November 13, 12:00 noon

Enjoy an old fashioned Turkey Luncheon at the Senior Center donated by area restaurants.

#### **DECEMBER HOLIDAY PARTY:**

Monday, December 15, 1:00 p.m.

Celebrate the season with desserts and music and lots of door prizes.

Programs and Activities available at the Senior Center include (days and times are subject to change and some classes have fees):

### 2014 – 12 Week Class Session 4 begins October 6 through December 26

### 2015 – 12 Week Class Session 1 begins January 12

- Ballroom Dancing Fridays at 10:00 a.m.
- Bowling League 3rd Thursday of the month 1:00 p.m.
- Billiards, Cards, Conversations, Friendship, Games, TV, daily. **FREE**
- Computer Tutoring. FREE
- Core Balance and Strength Class Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m., Thursdays at 1:00 p.m.
- Crafts Thursdays 12:30 p.m.
- Digital Photography Classes Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m.
- Exercise Classes Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday morning
- Line Dancing Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m.
- Needleworks Club Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m. FREE
- Piano Lessons every other Wednesday 10:30 a.m. **FREE**
- Prize Bingo-First Monday each month at 12:30 p.m.
   FREE
- Tai Chi Thursdays at 11:00 a.m.
- Tap Dancing Thursday 2:15 p.m.
- Volunteer Opportunities (teaching and front desk) daily FREE
- Walking Group daily 8:30 a.m. **FREE**
- Water Color Painting Wednesday at 1:00 p.m.
- Yoga- Mondays at 9:15 and Fridays at 11:15 a.m.



### **Senior Center**

### **East Windsor Community Bus**

The Community Bus is used to transport Township residents to and from the East Windsor Senior Center, shopping centers and medical appointments. The bus operates Monday through Friday and the second Saturday of each month. Any resident wishing to use the bus should contact the Senior Center at (609) 371-7192 to schedule transportation. Support for the Community Bus, as well as other Township transportation programs, comes through a Federal/State grant administered through New Jersey Transit.

#### **AARP DEFENSIVE DRIVING CLASS**

This course is offered 4 times a year at the East Windsor Senior Center. You must attend both classes to receive a "certification of completion" which when sent to your automobile insurance company, may entitle you to a discount, and also a 2 point reduction from your Motor Vehicle Bureau Record if applicable. Membership in AARP is not required, but students must pre-register. Upcoming classes: October 6 and October 8 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

#### **Informational Lectures and Health Education**

Monthly visits from a podiatrist and monthly blood pressure screenings at the senior center. Check center calendar and newsletter for dates and times.

#### **Osteoporosis Screening:**

Tuesday, October 21, 9:00 a.m.

#### 5 Wishes:

Wednesday, November 12, 10:30 a.m.

#### **Glucose Screening:**

Wednesday, December 10, 9:30 a.m.

#### **Keeping Your Mind Sharp:**

Friday, December 12, 10:15 a.m.

### **Senior Citizen Photo ID Day**

On November 3, senior citizens can receive a free photo identification card. Make an appointment by contacting the Senior Center at (609) 371-7192.

# BARRY CLARK AWARDED 2014 "SYLVIA WEISS SENIOR CITIZEN AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE AS A VOLUNTEER"

Barry Clark, an East Windsor resident since 1973, has been involved in the life of East Windsor for some 40 years. Mr. Clark began his decades of volunteerism in 1973 as a Member and Chairperson of the East Windsor Municipal Utilities Authority, and thereafter served in many positions including Chairperson of the 1986 Charter Study Commission, Chairperson and Member of the East Windsor Economic Development Committee, Chairperson of the Township CATV Contract Renewal Committee, Chairperson and Member of the East Windsor Historic Preservation Commission, and a Member of the Township Shade Tree Commission. Since 2002, he has been a member of the East Windsor Planning Board. Mr. Clark also serves as a Township representative to the Hightstown East Windsor Memorial Day Parade Committee and the Civil War Cannons History Committee. He has served the Township on many Mayor-appointed ad hoc committees over the past couple decades including the Route 33 Corridor Study Committee and the Township-wide Transportation



Mayor Janice S. Mironov presents Barry P. Clark with the 2014 "Sylvia Weiss Senior Citizen Award for Outstanding Service as a Volunteer." Pictured (from left to right) are: Commission on Aging Chairperson Ondina Jeffers; Honoree Barry Clark; Mayor Janice S. Mironov, and Council Member John Zoller, Liaison to the Commission on Aging.

Study Committee. 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. Sylvia Weiss is a former East Windsor Township Council Member, past Council senior citizen advisor and chairperson of the Commission on Aging and was instrumental in the original formation of the senior citizen program.

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