Mayor's Message

WALK – BICYCLE – DRIVE SAFELY FOR ALL OF OUR SAKE DO NOT BE DISTRACTED

Community Safety is dramatically impacted by how people <u>walk</u>, <u>bicycle</u> and <u>drive</u>. Pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists should adhere to all laws and also to valuable safety tips when moving around East Windsor Township, for your own safety and for the safety of everyone in our community.

So how many times have you driven through our shopping centers and someone just walks across the roadway without the slightest look. And how many times have you ended up walking behind someone who is moving at a snail's pace because they are texting or emailing and not at all aware of their surroundings. And how many times have you seen someone cross a major roadway rocking and rolling to the tunes of their smart phone rather than fully alert to the sights and sounds of approaching traffic.

Here are Important Pedestrian Safety Tips:

- Wear bright/light colored clothing and reflective materials.
- Cross the street in a well-lit area at night.
- Always walk on the sidewalk. If there is no sidewalk, walk facing traffic.
- Don't assume vehicles will stop. Make eye contact with drivers, don't just look at the vehicle. If a driver is on a cell phone, he or she may not be paying enough attention to drive safely.
- Don't rely solely on pedestrian signals. Look before you cross the road.
- Be alert to engine noise or backup lights on cars when in parking lots and near on-street parking spaces.
- Cross streets at marked crosswalks or intersections, if possible.
- Look left, right, and left again before crossing a street.
- Watch for turning vehicles. Make sure the driver sees you and will stop for you.
- Don't wear headphones or talk on a cell phone while crossing.

"Nothing compares to the simple pleasure of a bike ride." ~John F. Kennedy

"The bicycle is a curious vehicle. Its passenger is its engine." ~John Howard

So how many times have you driven down a road at night and at the last minute pulled the steering wheel suddenly to the left to avoid a bicyclist with no lights or reflective clothing. And how many times do you see children riding bikes without the legally required helmets.

Here are Important Bicycling Safety Tips:

- Protect your head. Wear a helmet.
- See and be seen. Be visible.
- Stay alert. Listen and Look.
- Obey the rules of the road.
- Use your hand signals.
- Remember some drivers just don't see you.
- Don't ride in traffic until you can safely negotiate it.
- If riding at night, use lights.
- Be predictable. Don't surprise anyone else on the road.

We encourage and applaud people walking and bicycling throughout our town for exercise, pleasure or business — touring the dynamic system of trails and pathways which we have constructed, enjoying our friendly neighborhoods, and visiting the many diverse shops and restaurants which call East Windsor home. But please consider that all of our community safety is impacted and adopt sensible and sound habits when moving around our Township.



Mayor and Council

Airport Road Open Space Acquisition

Township acquired new 24 acre open space property on Airport Road, near the intersection of Route 33. The property, zoned residential and included in the Township approved Open Space and Recreation Plan, is adjacent to the Windsor Cove subdivision and another 7.55 acre open space property located on Airport Road. The \$200,000 purchase price was underwritten by a \$72,000 State Green Acres grant, a \$72,000 Mercer County Open Space grant and \$56,000 of developer contributions to the East Windsor Open Space Fund. No local property taxpayer monies were used in the open space acquisition.

January Reorganization Meeting

Mayor Janice Mironov begins another year and Marc Lippman was sworn in as Deputy Mayor for 2015, at the Township Annual Reorganization Meeting.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov begins 2015 with oath of office administered by Mercer County Executive Brian Hughes.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov administers oath of office to Deputy Mayor Marc Lippman for 2015, while his wife Joanna holds the Bible.

Einstein's Alley High-Tech Corridor Launched

The Township and Einstein's Alley unveiled the first new East Windsor "Einstein's Alley High-Tech Corridor" sign on Princeton Hightstown Road in front of Novotec Pharma, a new East Windsor pharmaceutical-related RnD company, occupying the former Patscentre building designed by renowned British architect Sir Richard Rodgers who also designed the Pompidou Center in Paris. The new signs are being placed strategically throughout East Windsor's High-Tech Corridor. Einstein's Alley is a great partner in East Windsor's important and pro-active efforts to advocate for high-tech business development to locate in East Windsor. Einstein's Alley is a private, non-profit economic development initiative whose purpose is to attract, build and retain technology-based businesses in Central New Jersey. Einstein's Alley collaborates and coordinates with existing governmental and private sector organizations to grow the region as a magnet for entrepreneurial activity and as a globally recognized economic powerhouse.



Pictured (from left to right) are: Novotec Pharma Vice President Patrick Patel; Council Member Alan Rosenberg; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Einstein's Alley Executive Director Katherine Kish; Council Member Hector Duke; Council Member Perry Shapiro; Council Member John Zoller; Council Member Peter Yeager, and Einstein's Alley Board Member Pascal Seradarian.

SIGN-UP FOR E-NEWS

East Windsor Township E-News Updates are sent several times a month by e-mail, providing information on new businesses and stores, roadway projects, grants and special events. E-News is also a major source of communication and information during emergencies. Register on the Township website at www.east-windsor.nj.us "Subscribe to E-News Updates".

Mayor and Council

East Windsor Green Team Recognition

The Township achieved Bronze Level Recertification from Sustainable Jersey, a certification program for municipalities that want to go green, save money and take steps to sustain their quality of life over the long term. Mayor Janice S. Mironov and the East Windsor Green Team received a bronze plaque from Sustainable Jersey marking East Windsor Township's 2014 renewed status as a "bronze certified" municipality. Members of the East Windsor Green Team are: Chairperson Ronald Balint; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Council Member Peter Yeager; Council Member John Zoller; John Donnelly; Gary Fournier; Edward Kelley; Lenox Ng; Public Works Director William Askenstedt; East Windsor Municipal Utilities Executive Director Richard Brand; and student members Virpartap Grewal, Rithesh Neelamagam and Jay Vaingankar.



Pictured (from left to right) are: Rithesh Neelamagam; Gary Fournier; Lenox Ng; John Donnelly; Edward Kelley; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Chairperson Ronald Balint; Council Member Peter Yeager; Jay Vaingankar; Richard Brand, and Council Member John Zoller.

The Township earned action points for many programs and actions initiated by Mayor Mironov and Council Members, including creation of a farmland preservation plan, inventory and upgrade of municipal buildings for energy efficiency, community recycling/paper shredding events, Buy Local campaign, "Cut it and Leave it" program, backyard composting program, tree protection ordinance, environmental assessment ordinance, sustainable land use commitment, green building policy and community outreach programs. Launched in 2009, Sustainable Jersey is a 100% voluntary certification program for municipalities in New Jersey.

NO TAX INCREASE

NO TAX INCREASE 2015 MUNICIPAL BUDGET was adopted by Mayor Mironov and Council Members. For a third year in a row, the municipal component of the local property tax bill remains \$0.431 (43.1 cents) per \$100 of assessed valuation. This means that for the 2015 average residence assessment of \$258,341, the 2015 municipal tax is \$1,115. The East Windsor municipal component remains at less than 15% of the total local property tax bill, and is among the lowest amounts in the entire region and well below the statewide average. The fiscally conservative budget document retains all existing services and with no employee reductions. The **NO TAX INCREASE** municipal budget is a result of the Township's commitment to continually seek out additional efficiencies, cooperative purchasing avenues and service sharing opportunities, a low debt level, and pro-active efforts to carefully plan and to closely monitor expenditures and revenues throughout the year.

Township Receives \$206,750 FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant

The Township received final approval for \$206,750 Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Hazard Mitigation Grant for permanent generators, at the East Windsor Public Works facility on Ward Street and the East Windsor Senior Center on Lanning Boulevard. This equipment would ensure these critical facilities would always be available for use. The police/ court building currently has a back-up generator to ensure continuation of police services. The generators also will allow the Township to ensure an available facility to residents during these emergent situations for critical local needs including shelter, charging center for electronic devices and refrigeration for food and medical related products. The contract has been awarded for electrical engineering services for the purchase and installation of the generators.

ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS

Hickory Corner Road

The Township has awarded a contract for the resurfacing and associated repairs to curbs, driveway aprons, handicap ramps and storm drains to Hickory Corner Road between Dutch Neck Road and Dorchester Drive. A \$250,000 NJDOT grant was obtained for the project. Work will begin in the spring and take approximately 6 to 8 weeks.

Dorchester Drive

The Township was awarded a \$300,000 NJ Department of Transportation grant for resurfacing and related improvements to a portion of Dorchester Drive. Construction is planned to occur in the late summer of 2015.

Mayor and Council

East Windsor Exit 8 Transportation and Development Study

The "East Windsor Interchange 8 Transportation and Development Planning Study" has been completed. The planning initiative, funded by a \$100,000 Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission 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 Interchange 8 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 strategies and implementation steps to maximize and attract high value, high quality business to the area. The FINAL REPORT can be viewed by visiting www.east-windsor.nj.us.

Domestic Violence Awareness Month



Pictured (from left to right) are: Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Womanspace Executive Director Patricia Hart, and Chief of Police Harry Marshall.

Mayor Janice S. Mironov proclaimed "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" and presented a Proclamation to Patricia Hart for 20 Years of Service as Executive Director of Womanspace. Womanspace is the primary Mercer County organization providing a comprehensive array of services to individuals affected by domestic violence and to improving the quality of life of abuse victims and their families.

Volunteer for Township Boards and Committees

Mayor Janice S. Mironov and Council Members encourage citizens to volunteer 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. Interested residents can obtain an application form on-line at www.eastwindsor.ni.us or from the Municipal Clerk's office, and return by email to municipal clerk@east-windsor.nj.us, by fax to (609) 443-8303 or by mail to Mayor Janice S. Mironov and Township Council, East Windsor Township Municipal Building, 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 also can apply to serve as members of Township Boards and Committees by submitting an application or letter indicating their area of interest and reasons or related background.

Annual Stony Brook – Millstone Watershed Association Stream Cleanup

East Windsor partnered with the Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association for a Stream Cleanup on April 11. Over 43 volunteers participated and 656 pounds of trash were collected at Etra Lake Park. The Watershed Association works with residents, municipal, county, and state leaders, and local groups on a wide variety of initiatives and actions to plan smart, grow the community and preserve and protect our natural resources.



Pictured are volunteers, Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association Policy Director Michael Pisauro and Mayor Janice S. Mironov (center).

Mayor and Council

Mayor Janice S. Mironov Recognizes East Windsor Senior Center Volunteers

At the Township Senior Center Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon on April 7, Mayor Mironov thanked and presented Certificates of Appreciation to Senior Center volunteers for their valuable contributions in the center and throughout the community. Senior Center volunteers assist with coordinating senior programs and events and participate in various community programs coordinated by the Senior Center and local organizations.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov presented Certificates of Appreciation to East Windsor Senior Center volunteers at a Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon.

Township Awarded Recycling Tonnage Grant

Township was awarded Recycling Tonnage Grant of \$37,267 from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, again demonstrating being "green" yields "green". The grant funds, awarded based on recycling collected reports filed by the municipality, are authorized through the Recycling Enhancement Act, funded by a \$3 per ton surcharge on trash disposed at solid waste facilities.

Francis E. Parker Memorial Homes Purchases 56 Acres

The property, located at Monmouth Street and Wyckoff Mills Road, just west of the NJ Turnpike, was formerly the proposed site of Robertson Douglas Group's proposed conversion to non-age-restricted residential development enabled by an unprecedented unwise State law; the proposal was rejected twice by the East Windsor Planning Board. The Francis E. Parker Memorial Home offers a wide variety of long term care services including skilled nursing, memory care and assisted living residences, as well as health and wellness community services for seniors in central New Jersey. Founded in 1907 by Henrietta Parker, Parker Homes is based on the belief that seniors should be able to live in a home-like environment with the ultimate in personalized, affordable high-quality long term care services.

State of the Township Address

East Windsor Mayor Janice Mironov delivers the annual State of East Windsor Township Address on Wednesday, May 6 at a luncheon event at the Holiday Inn East Windsor. Mayor Mironov's annual address includes a report on accomplishments in 2014 as well as Township goals for 2015. All business and interested members of the community are invited to attend. For information, visit www.midjerseychamber.org, or call the Chamber Office at (609) 689-9960.

Mayor and Council

PARK IMPROVEMENTS

The Township has purchased and installed new grills at Etra Lake Park. Fixed mounted trash receptacles were added at the new Disbrow Hill playing fields, walking trail and the Community Garden.

The Township is fully resurfacing the tennis courts at Veterans and Wiltshire Parks. The softball field at Veterans Park will be replaced by a junior soccer field, and the driveway entrance fence will be replaced. The fence along the sidewalk between Wiltshire Park and Hickory Corner Road will also be replaced.

The Township has completed restoration of Bear Brook Pathway, from Oak Creek Road to Wiltshire Park. This section of pathway, damaged by Storm Sandy, was paid for by Federal Emergency Management Agency funds.

Township Recognizes 2014 Employees of the Year

Recreation Director Liz Cellini, Police Officer Paul Wille, and Public Works Driver/Laborer William Broome.



Pictured (from left to right) are: Public Works Driver/Laborer William Broome; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Police Officer Paul Wille and Recreation Director Liz Cellini.

Liz Cellini, Recreation Director since May 2013, has worked to increase local participation and to develop, improve and implement high quality community recreational opportunities as well as enhance the Senior Center operations. She is admired and respected by her co-workers for her knowledge, enthusiasm, dedication to her job, agreeable demeanor and is always available to assist her co-workers regardless of the task. Police Officer Paul Wille, who joined the Township in 2006, and is currently assigned to the Uniform Services Division, is a Secondary Officer in Charge within his platoon, a Field Training Officer, an evidence technician and a certified CPR instructor. He has a tremendous work ethic, is an outstanding role model for new officers, and consistently displays a positive professional demeanor. William Broome, a Public Works employee since 1988, first in the sanitation division then the roads division, is highly skilled in all public works functions especially with leaf collection. He is always willing to help out, has an excellent work ethic, a strong team spirit and extraordinary dedication to the Township. Congratulations to the Township 2014 Employees of the Year!

Township 2014 Business Awards

The Township 2014 Business Awards were presented to Primary Care Medical Clinic, Panera Bread and Novotec Pharma. The purpose of the annual award program is to recognize local businesses that have made special efforts to improve or contribute to the community.



Mayor Janice Mironov presents East Windsor Township 2014 Business Awards. Pictured (from left to right) are: Abhshek Desai, Chief Financial Officer, Novotec Pharma; Annabelle Cimafranca, Registered Nurse and Office Manager, Primary Care Medical Clinic; Mayor Janice Mironov; Bob Curnow, Manager, Panera Bread, and Council Member John Zoller, Liaison to Township Economic Development Committee.

Primary Care Medical Clinic received the "Business Beautification" award for renovation and modernization of the 4,900 square foot former Medical Emergency Treatment (M.E.T.) building located in a prominent area on Route 130 North. The new Primary Care Clinic, which consists of a group of primary care physicians who provide general primary care services, completed major exterior and interior renovations to the building including a totally new facade, landscaping, parking lot, office space, reception area and examination rooms.

Panera Bread, located on Route 130 South next to Chase Bank received the "Community Service" award. The 4,100 square foot restaurant participates in two community programs which are designed to feed the hungry. The first program involves donation boxes set up adjacent to the restaurant's cash registers, which go to Feeding America, a leading organization in fighting hunger throughout the country. The second program is a partnership with local community organization RISE, which picks up left over products from Panera Bread on a daily basis and distributes them throughout the area.

Novotec Pharma, located on Princeton Hightstown Road across from Route 133, in the 43,000 square foot Patscentre building designed by renowned British architect Sir Richard Rogers, received the "Community Enhancement" award. Novotec Pharma, a high-tech pharmaceutical company, refurbished the iconic Patscentre building while maintaining many of the original building's unique architectural and engineering features, including an exterior roof and frame construction and column free interior. They also invested in state-of-the-art equipment. Novotec Pharma is the site of the Township's first Einstein's Alley High Tech Corridor Sign. Einstein's Alley is a private, non-profit economic development initiative whose purpose is to attract, build and retain technology-based businesses in Central New Jersey.

Mayor and Council

Clean Communities Committee 2014 Adopt-A-Spot Wrap-Up

East Windsor 2014 Adopt-A-Spot Wrap-Up was held to recognize and thank participants. Under this program, participating groups "adopt" a public property and keep it clean during the year. A placard is erected on the site indicating that it has been "adopted by" with the name of the group. The groups are expected to perform clean-up 3 times a month from April 1 through November 1. To participate, interested groups should send a letter to Clean Communities Committee, ATTN: Mayor Janice Mironov, 16 Lanning Boulevard, East Windsor, NJ 08520. Congratulations to the 2014 Adopt-A-Spot participants: Beth El Synagogue, Boy Scout Troop 59, Boy Scout Troop 5700, Brownie Troop 70215, Cub Scout Pack 53, Daisy Girl Scout Troop 70342, Girl Scout Troop 70105, Girl Scout Troop 70773, Junior Girl Scout Troop 70687, East Windsor Police Athletic League, and the Casciano Family.



BOY SCOUT TROOP 59. Pictured (from left to right) are: Jay Shumsky, Troop Membership Chairperson; Tyler Mutchnick; Michael Elgendy; Dayne Wolfe; Zach Hupfl; Kyle Johnson; Chirayu Gupta; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Sandy Tootleman, Scoutmaster; Tyler Shumsky; Aidan Sharpe; Joel Simon, and Joey Jakabicki.



GIRL SCOUT TROOP 70105. Pictured (from left to right) are: Jessica Meidhof; Kayley Totka; Jennifer DiGioia, Troop Leader; Vidhi Challani; Isabella Benitez; Isabella Sabogal; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Brooke Vagrin; Sophia Stylianou; Lily Puskar; Emily Hamnett; Lizzie DiGioia, and Sue Vagrin, Troop Co-Leader.



<u>CUB SCOUT PACK 53.</u> Pictured (from left to right) are: (back row) Stacy Johnson, Den Leader; Justin Kecskes; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Justin Koshy; Cristi Palmer, Den Leader; Pete Simon, Den Leader; (front row) JD Simon; Krish Patel; Cameron Johnson; Jonathan Kecskes; Jason Shumsky, and Austin Koshy.



<u>DAISY TROOP 72350.</u> Pictured are (from left to right): (back row) Melissa Florke, Group Leader; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Christina Whittington, Group Leader; (front row), left to right: Cameron Kenny; Phoebe O'Connell; Rachel Shumsky; Penelope Borg; Juliette Rosario; and Shelby Field.

Mayor and Council

NEW BUSINESS



Shiseido **America** is undertaking furexpansion of East Windsor facility on Princeton Hightstown Road. The company has received **Township** planning board ap-

proval to expand to 310,580 square feet by adding 45,000 square feet. The expansion of the East Windsor facility, which currently employs approximately 150 full time employees and up to 150 temporary employees could double the number of employees locally, upon completion of the construction project. Shiseido is relocating the Monroe Township Davlyn Industries operations and employees to the East Windsor facility. Shiseido America, a subsidiary of the Japanese-based corporation Shiseido Company LTD, established its operations in East Windsor in 1998. Shiseido Company LTD, now the third largest cosmetics company in the world, develops upscale cosmetics, sun care products, fragrances and professional salon hair care products.

HMP Communications, an innovative leader in healthcare communications and education, has occupied the remaining 12,000 square feet of the 68,000 square foot 104 Windsor Center Drive building, just south of Princeton Hightstown Road. HMP Communications has 65 employees at the East Windsor location and plans to add 20 additional positions in the next several months. HMP Communications develops and disseminates live, print, and web-based medical education activities to provide a forum through which healthcare practitioners may examine current and best healthcare practices and to improve healthcare quality. Founded in 1985, HMP Communication's goal is to increase healthcare practitioner knowledge, competence, and performance, to ultimately improve patient outcomes. HMP Communications is a wholly owned subsidiary of HMP Holdings, headquartered in Malvern, Pennsylvania. For more information, visit their website at www.hmpcommunications.com.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov cuts ribbon for opening of HMP Communications. Pictured (from left to right) are: HMP Communications Executive Vice President Mary Johnson; HMP Communications Vice President/Group Publisher of Life Sciences Chris Ciraulo; HMP Holdings Executive Vice President Anthony Mancini; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; HMP Holdings Chairperson/CEO Jeff Hennessy, and Council Member John Zoller.



Aurobindo Pharma USA purchased 90 Acres and plans to develop site for major pharmaceutical warehouse and AUROBINDO distribution center, on Windsor Center Drive, across from Route 133 and near the 43,000 square foot Patscentre building.

now occupied by NovoTec Pharma, a new pharmaceutical company. The new facility would generate significant new tax dollars and at least 300 new jobs at the East Windsor location, when fully operational. Aurobindo Pharma USA is a generic pharmaceutical manufacturer and distributor and is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Aurobindo Pharma Limited, a leading generic pharmaceutical company based in India. The project is to expand Aurobindo's New Jersey footprint for manufacturing and warehousing and is complementary to the company's existing facilities. Headquartered in Hyderabad, India, Aurobindo's main United States manufacturing center is located in Dayton. The East Windsor location will be the company's main warehouse and distribution center and also will provide another site for manufacturing. Founded in 1986 and becoming a public company in 1992, Aurobindo has business operations in over 125 countries around the world.

Primary Care Medical Clinic opened on Route 130 North, south of Town Diner. Primary Care Medical Clinic, owned and operated by Dr. Daniel Cimafranca, made significant and modernizing renovations to the existing 4,900 square foot building formerly the Medical Emergency Treatment (M.E.T.) building. The clinic consists of a group of primary care physicians who provide general primary care services including vaccinations and general checkups, as well as specialists in both internal and geriatric medicine. For further information, visit www.medicalcliniceastwindsor.com.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov cuts ribbon for grand opening of Cimafranca Primary Care Medical Clinic. Pictured (from left to right) are: Council Member Hector Duke; Council Member Peter Yeager; Dr. Daniel Cimafranca; Council Member John Zoller; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Deputy Mayor Alan Rosenberg; Anabelle Cimafranca; Council Member Perry Shapiro, and Dianne Cimafranca.

The Shoppes at East Windsor, a new retail center to be located north of Route 130 South and Maple Stream Road intersection has begun site work. The 40,600 square foot retail center, located on 8.5 acres, is being undertaken by Nanak Development and includes a liquor license for a restaurant. Construction is scheduled to be completed in late 2015.

Mayor and Council

NEW BUSINESS

Smashburger opened 2,800 square feet in Windsor Center, at the Route 130 entrance. The opening of Smashburger represents another demonstrated sign of the revitalization of the modernized renovated Windsor Center by new owners Advance Realty. The casual restaurant, ranked #6 on Forbes 2013 "America's Most Promising Companies", is known for its "smashed to order" burgers, with a menu which includes grilled chicken sandwiches, salads, signature sides and Haagen-Dazs shakes. Founded in 2007 and headquartered in Denver, Colorado, Smashburger is a fast growing international chain with more than 250 locations in 30 states and 4 countries. For more information, visit their website at www.smashburger.com.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov cuts ribbon for grand opening of Smashburger, in the renovated Windsor Center on Route 130. Pictured (from left to right) are: Smashburger Lead Trainer Chris Simmons; Smashburger Vice President of Operations David Damato; Smashburger East Windsor General Manager Sean Gallagher; MIDJersey Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Robert Prunetti; Smashburger District Manager Ed Basksh; Advance Realty Managing Director of Property Management Rick Zack; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Council Member Hector Duke; Council Member Perry Shapiro; Council Member Peter Yeager; Council Member John Zoller, and Mercer County Freeholder Pasquale "Pat" Colavita, Jr.

Starplex Cinemas, which acquired the former East Windsor Multiplex in December 2013, has promoted lower ticket pricing, \$1 hot dogs and 100% digital projection. Starplex has upgraded seating with larger, reclining seats and additional room between seating aisles. Headquartered in Dallas, Texas, Starplex Cinemas currently operates 40 theaters and 313 screens in 11 states, including East Brunswick and Ridgefield Park in New Jersey. For additional information, visit www.starplexcinemas.com.

Kay Jewelers opened in East Windsor Village on Princeton Hightstown Road. The jewelry store occupies 3,100 square feet (formerly Tom Yum Goong restaurant) between Target and GameStop. Kay Jewelers is a division of Sterling Jewelers Inc., headquartered in Akron, Ohio. Together with parent company Signet Jewelers, Kay Jewelers is the largest specialty retail jeweler in the world, with over 900 retail stores nationwide. Regional locations include Quaker Bridge Mall in Lawrence and Freehold Raceway Mall in Freehold.



Mayor Janice Mironov, joined by Council Members and store manager and employees, cuts ribbon for grand opening of Kay Jewelers in the East Windsor Village Shopping Center on Princeton Hightstown Road. Pictured (from left to right) are: Kyra Woodard, store employee; Council Member Perry Shapiro; Connie Woodhead, store assistant manager; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; James Dilks, store manager; Council Member Alan Rosenberg; Council Member John Zoller, and Maria Berladir, store employee.

Bob's Liquidation Store opened on Route 130 North in Mackey's Plaza, just north of Goodyear, joining PakMail, SignIt and Country Florist & Gifts. The 2000 square foot store carries all new general merchandise which are closeout deals from larger retailers. A large share of the items are cell phone and similar electronics accessories.

Patel Brothers Grocery, opening in the former Genuardi's in East Windsor Village on Princeton Hightstown Road, will occupy 22,300 square feet in this center which is anchored by Target and TJ Maxx. Patel Brothers is a U.S. based grocery retail chain which offers a full line of groceries including dry goods, frozen items and fresh produce. The company partners with renowned food wholesaler Raja Foods, which imports food products such as rice, spices, and juices from countries including England, Spain, India, Pakistan, China and Australia. Patel Brothers grocery store, which opened their flagship store in 1974 in Chicago, Illinois, is a growing national chain with 51 locations in the United States and 4 locations in Canada. New Jersey locations include North Brunswick, South Amboy and Parsippany. Patel Brothers recently ranked #17 on the Saveur 100, an annual list of "favorite restaurants, food, drink, people, places and things" compiled by Saveur, a food and travel magazine.

Police

Police Department Hires New Officers to Fill Vacancies

Oath of Office was administered to new police officers Paul Proctor, Gregory Hager and Brendan Hirtes, who fill police vacancies and have all been assigned to the Uniform Services Division. Officer Proctor graduated from the Cape May County Police Academy in 2011 and received a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Monmouth University in 2010. He previously served as a police officer for the Princeton University Department of Public Safety. Officer Hager graduated from the Monmouth County Police Academy in 2014 and obtained a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting from Salisbury University in 2010. He is a certified Emergency Medical Technician and member of the Freehold First Aid Squad. **Officer Hirtes** graduated from the Atlantic County Police Academy in 2015 and obtained a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice from Kean University in 2013. He was previously employed as a special police officer for the Deal Borough police department.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov administered oath of office to new Police Officer Paul Proctor (center) accompanied by Chief of Police Harry Marshall.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov administered oath of office to new Police Officer Gregory Hager (center) as his mother Susan Hager (right) holds the Bible.



Mayor Janice S. Mironov administered oath of office to new Police Officer Brendan Hirtes (center) accompanied by Chief of Police Harry Marshall (right).

Police Department Receives Body Armor Grants

Township awarded \$11,689 in grants for purchase of police body armor under the United States Department of Justice 2014 Bulletproof Vest Partnership and the State Body Armor Replacement Fund Programs. These funds are used to supplement Township expenditures for the periodic replacement of body armor issued to and used by members of the Township police department.

Township Participated in Womanspace "Communities of Light"

East Windsor Township participated in Womanspace "Communities of Light" to raise funds and public awareness of domestic violence and services available to victims. Mayor Janice S. Mironov, Council Members, Womanspace Board Member/Retired Chief of Police William Spain, Domestic Violence Victim Response Team members and police officers joined with residents to light candles around the entire perimeter and walkways of the Municipal Building. Communities of Light, benefiting victims of domestic violence, is sponsored by Womanspace, the lead non-profit organization in Mercer County that provides crisis intervention and support for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. The mission of Womanspace is to provide a comprehensive array of services to individuals impacted by domestic violence and dedicated to improving the quality of life to women and their families.



Pictured (from left to right) are: Chief of Police Harry Marshall; Womanspace Board Member/Retired Chief of Police William Spain; Lieutenant James Geary; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Detective Brian Gorski; Lieutenant Chris Jackson; Detective Joe Gorski, and Lieutenant Richard Bernstein.

Police

Township Participates In Gun Safety Program

A Gun Safety Program was sponsored by the Township in March, distributing gun locks free of charge to East Windsor residents. The gun locks were made available to the Township at no cost through Project ChildSafe. Project ChildSafe is the nation's largest firearms safety program, and is sponsored by the National Shooting Sports Foundation.



Pictured (from left to right) are: Police Officer Robert Davison; Mayor Janice S. Mironov; Chief of Police Harry E. Marshall, and Police Lieutenant Christopher Jackson.

Township 2015 Bike Safety Program

Mayor Janice S. Mironov and Council Members are sponsoring 2015 Bicycle Safety Program, funded by New Jersey Division of Highway and Traffic Safety grant. The three phases are:

<u>Phase I,</u> "Use Your Head" involves distribution of bicycle helmets, free of charge, to residents under the age of 17, at the Municipal Building during May. **Helmet giveaways will be on Wednesdays, May 13, 20 and 27 between 4 pm and 7 pm.**

<u>Phase II.</u> "Congratulations: You Are Obeying The Law", involves distribution of mock summonses during June and July by elected officials, and police requiring young persons to sign a pledge to use safety helmets when riding bikes, skateboarding and rollerblading. The mock summons includes an entry form to win prizes in a drawing at "National Night Out."

<u>Phase III.</u> "Bike At Night Use A Light" involves the distribution of bike lights to Township residents of any age. Township residents can obtain bike light sets at no cost during August at the Township Police Building. Lights must be used at night and early morning hours.

Distracted Driving

Distracted driving has become a trend with deadly, real consequences. For anyone who thinks they can talk on their phone, text, apply make-up, or do any other distracting activity while driving, the facts clearly establish otherwise.

Distracted driving contributed to 9 % of all fatal crashes in 2010. In 2012, 3,328 people were killed and approximately 421,000 were injured in motor vehicle crashes involving a distracted driver.

Texting while driving is a leading cause of distracted driving and drivers who use hand-held devices are four times as likely to be involved in a serious crash.

With more technology now than ever, driving distractions have risen to unprecedented levels. Text messaging is of heightened concern because it combines three types of distractions – visual, manual and cognitive. In other words, texting involves taking your eyes off the road, your hands off the wheel, and your mind off the task of driving. Driving is an activity that requires your full attention and focus in order to keep yourself and others safe.

So the next time you are pressed for time, and it seems like multitasking in the car is the best decision, remember those 3,328 lives that were taken because someone decided they could do two things at once.

Help keep yourself, your family, and the motorists around you safe by avoiding all behaviors that distract your attention from driving.

National Night Out

On **Tuesday, August 4,** from 6 pm to 9 pm, East Windsor Township will sponsor "National Night Out" at the East Windsor PAL complex, located at 30 Airport Road. The event will feature police, fire and emergency medical services equipment and demonstrations, crime watch information, police K-9 demonstrations, child car safety seat inspections, issuance of child ID cards, fire hose demonstrations and face painting. A moon bounce and rock climbing wall, live music by local bands and refreshments will be available.



Fire and Rescue

2014 Firefighters of the Year

East Windsor honored Firefighters of the Year William Kerr of East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 1 and Brian Morton of East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 2 for their volunteer fire service dedication during "Fire Prevention Week." William Kerr joined East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 1 in 2008 and has served as Engineer, Trustee and Vice President. He is active on the Internet and Computer Committee, Fire Prevention Committee, Membership Committee, Safer Grant Committee, Capital Improvement Committee, and

has served as the LOSAP administrator. He is currently working to become a qualified certified operator on Fire Company Rescue 42 apparatus. **Brian Morton** joined East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 2 as a probationary firefighter in 2009 and graduated from the Mercer County Fire Academy in 2010. Brian Morton has responded to over 500 fire calls and attended numerous training drills, community events and prevention activities. Thank you to all Township Fire Company Volunteers!



Pictured (from left to right) are: Gerald Laughlin, President, East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 1; William Kerr, East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 1 2104 "Fire Fighter of the Year"; Mayor Janice S. Mironov, and Tony Katawick, 2014 Chief, East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 1.



Pictured (from left to right) are: Ben Thornton, President, East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 2; Mayor Janice S. Mironov, and Eric Coran, Chief, East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 2 accepted on behalf of "Firefighter of the Year" Brian Morton who could not attend.



Volunteer Rescue Squads and Fire Companies

James McCann will serve as Chief and **Jack Israel** will serve as President of East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 1 for 2015. **Eric Coran** will serve as Chief and **Ben Thornton** will serve as President of East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 2 for 2015.

Scott Prykanowski will serve as Chief and **Kira Behen** will serve as President of East Windsor Rescue Squad, District 1 for 2015. The Township also recognizes and thanks Rescue Squad Chief **Tristan Torres** and President **Rita Teubner** for their leadership in partnering with Rescue Squad, District 1 to serve our entire community.

EAST WINDSOR RESCUE EMS ALERT

Support Only Responding East Windsor Emergency Medical Services Organizations

East Windsor Township encourages support and volunteers for our responding rescue squad organizations. Interested in contributing or joining and becoming a local rescue squad volunteer, contact Chief Scott Prykanowski at chief@squad142.com or at (609) 448-6321, or Chief Tristan Torres at Torresusn2004 @yahoo.com. Questions, call East Windsor Township at (609) 443-4000, ext. 245 or visit www.east-windsor.nj.us.

Public Works

For Up-to-Date Schedules and Information, visit www.east-windsor.nj.us

2015 Recycling Dates Area 1 Area 2 Jun 17 May 27 Jun 10 Jun 24 Jul 8 Jul 22 May 20 Jul 15 Jun 3 Jul 1 Aug 5 Aug 19 Sept 2 Sept 16 Sept 30 Jul 29 Aug 12 Aug 26 Sept 9 Sept 23

Radio Shack Offers Free Recycling of Rechargeable Batteries

Free recycling of rechargeable batteries is available at Radio Shack in East Windsor Village Shopping Center. Accepted are rechargeable batteries ONLY. No Lithium household batteries and batteries must be less than 14 pounds. Note: Car batteries, which exceed the 14 pound weight limit, can be recycled at the Township Public Works Facility, at 309 Ward Street. For additional information contact Radio Shack at (609) 443-1181.

Other Recycling Services

East Windsor Township provides other disposal services to residents. The following items may be dropped off at the Public Works Facility on Ward Street, Monday through Friday 7 am–3 pm.

- ✓ Computers, televisions, and all other electronics
- ✓ Car batteries
- ✓ Standard size automobile tires, without rims. Tires must be dismounted before drop off. No commercial tires are accepted. Dealers, garages or other businesses may not drop off tires at this site. Tire drop off is for personal disposal by residents only!
- ✓ White Goods drop off for residents who do not wish to wait for the third Wednesday of the month for white goods collection. White Goods drop off is also available to any Township resident who is not within the Garbage District.

Garbage Collection

Reminder: There is no garbage pickup on the following Holidays.

- Monday, May 25 Memorial Day
- Friday, July 3 Independence Day
- Monday, September 7 Labor Day

Garbage will be picked up on the regular scheduled date following the holiday.

EAST WINDSOR RECYCLING DAYS

Place: East Windsor Township Senior Center (40 Lanning Boulevard)

FREE Document Shredding (for East Windsor residents only – no commercial drop-offs).

Accepted items: Computers and accessories, TV's, appliances, electronics, cell phones, toner cartridges, fluorescent bulbs, used eyeglasses (Lions Club), shoes, clothing, blankets, usable furniture and housewares (RISE).

Saturday, April 25 10 am to 2 pm

Wednesday, July 8 4 pm to 8 pm

NOTE: **NO** electronics, computers or TV's.

Saturday, October 3 10 am to 2 pm

Mercer County Household Hazardous Waste Days

- Saturday, June 13, 8 am 2 pm
- Saturday, September 26, 8 am 2 pm

Place: Dempster Fire Training Center, 350 Lawrence Station Road, Lawrenceville, New Jersey

Accepted are: insect repellents, pesticides/herbicides, weed killers, stains, varnishes, acids, caustics, paint, paint thinner, vehicle batteries, antifreeze, chlordane, pool chemicals. See www.mcianj.org for information. Electronic Waste is accepted at Hazardous Waste Days.

Mercer County Shredding and Electronic Waste Disposal Days

- Saturday, November 21, 9 am – 2 pm

Place: Sun National Bank Center – Lot 1, 80 Hamilton Avenue, Trenton, New Jersey

Accepted are: Camera equipment, CPUs, Circuit Boards, Copiers, Electric Wire Fax machines, Keyboards, Mouse, Microwaves, Phones, Printers, Scanners, Stereo Equipment, TV's, & VCR's – See www.mcianj.org for information. **NO Hazardous Waste accepted.**

Recreation

Spring/Summer 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. For more specific registration and program information, visit www.east-windsor.nj.us and click on "Township Departments," then "Recreation." Email Recreation Department at recreation@east-windsor.nj.us.

After School Enrichment Programs

The Recreation Department is pleased to offer the following ongoing programs. Please visit the program's website or call for up to date information and registration!

- Bricks 4 Kidz www.bricks4kidz.com/centralNJ
- Chess For Kids contact the Recreation Department
- Fun with Clay www.thatpotteryplace.net
- Firefly Tennis www.fireflytennis.com
- KidzArt www.mercercounty.kidzart.com
- Mad Science www.madscience.org
- US Sports Group www.ussportsinstitute.com
- TGA Golf www.playtga.com/mercer
- Shaolin Kung Fu Institute (609) 448-2424

2015 Community Event Sponsors

East Windsor Township thanks the following community businesses that have financially sponsored the 2015 community events.

PLATINUM SUPPORTER

Comcast
First Choice Bank
Hamilton Honda
Shiseido America
T & M Associates

SILVER SUPPORTER

Conair Corporation

Holiday Inn of East Windsor and
Days Inn of East Windsor
John Mayorek
The Presidential Center
TD Bank
Windsor Nissan

BRONZE SUPPORTER

Art & Frame Express Corner Copia Corner of Chaos Delaware Valley OBGYN Fulton Bank Hampton Inn of East Windsor Hand and Stone Massage and Facial Spa Kucker Haney Paint Moe's Southwest Grill Pak Mail Perez & Radosti Associates Personal Paperwork Solutions Saker Shop Rites SciPark Condo Association Steven Harris, DDS Windsor Green Cleaners

Interested in becoming a Community Event Sponsor? Contact the Recreation Department at (609) 443-4000, ext. 214.

INDEPENDENCE DAY

Thursday, July 2 6 pm Rain date: Sunday, July 5

Jerry Rife's Rhythm Kings Dixieland Jazz Band

Trenton Brass Quintet Plus One Band Followed by a Fireworks Display



2015 Summer at Etra Lake Park:

Sunday, July 19* 6 pm Simply Diamond
The ultimate tribute to the legendary Neil Diamond.
The sights and sounds will make you feel as if you're at the legend's concert.

Sunday, August 2* 6 pm Bronx Wanderers

This show echoes the era of the past while breathing new life into the sound of today. Their ultimate tribute to Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons and Dion will feature crowd favorites "Sherry", "Big Girls Don't Cry" "Run Around Sue", "The Wanderer" along with the current sounds of Coldplay, Bruno Mars and many more.

Sunday, August 9* 6 pm B Street Band

The original Springsteen Tribute band that has been rocking Bruce fans throughout the country. Their authenticity has earned the respect and reputation of the music industry. From the early days of "The Boss" to today, they do it all!



* If there is inclement weather for the July 19, August 2, or August 9 concerts, the concert will be moved indoors to the EWRSD High School auditorium.

Saturday, August 22 7 pm Rain date: Sunday, Aug 23 Showing "Big Hero 6" Family Night in the Park

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 senior citizens 60 years old and over who reside in East Windsor or Hightstown. Contact (609) 371-7192, for further information.

Programs and Activities

The East Windsor Senior Center offers members a broad range of programs and activities including:

- Nutrition program
- Transportation
- Trips and excursions
- Health and wellness screenings
- Educational presentations and seminars
- Fitness classes
- Special events, parties, and entertainment
- Resource library
- Socialization
- Recreation activities
- Monthly birthday party
- · Bowling league
- Billiards and ping pong
- Cards and games
- Knitting, crochet, embroidery, needlepoint, cross-stitch, quilting
- Sheriff's Office Photo Identification
- Intergenerational programs
- Links to community services
- Monthly newsletter
- Information and referrals for federal, state, and county assistance programs
- SHIP (State Health Insurance Program) Medicare counseling
- AARP Income Tax Preparation Program
- AARP Smart Driver Course
- Water Color Painting
- Yoga

Mercer County Nutrition Project for the Elderly

- Provides nutritionally balanced and appetizing lunch.
- The daily lunch includes an appetizer, main entrée, vegetables, bread, beverage, and dessert.
- All meals are specifically planned to provide at least one-third of an older person's daily nutritional needs by a qualified nutritionist.
- Lunch is served Monday through Friday, at 11:30 am.
- Suggested donation of \$1.00.
- Monthly menus are posted online and at the Senior Center.
- Transportation is available by County TRADE service.

Mercer County Surrogate East Windsor Satellite Office to Continue in 2015

Mercer County Surrogate East Windsor Satellite Office to continue in 2015, in accordance with an arrangement between Mayor Janice Mironov and Mercer County Surrogate Diane Gerofsky. The Satellite Office is housed at the Township Senior Center and provides residents the opportunity to obtain probate services locally. The Satellite Office is offered from 9:30 am to 11:30 am on the 4th Tuesday of each month, specifically: May 26, June 23, July 28, August 25, September 22, October 27, November 24, and December 22. For further information or to schedule an appointment, contact the Surrogate's Office at (609) 989-6331.



Seniors enjoying an Elvis Presley tribute.



Celebrating our veterans.

Senior Citizen Photo ID Day

On August 25, senior citizens can receive a free photo identification card. Make an appointment by contacting the Senior Center at (609) 371-7192.

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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 and 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. Can also be viewed at www.east-windsor.nj.us.