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2019 Fall / Winter

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A Message from Mayor Pete Scirrotto

To my friends in our community,

"Welcome to the Fall/Winter edition of our community newsletter. I continue to be amazed by our community especially the new people that I meet. At the end of the summer, I had the chance to meet 16 year old Evelyn Milavsky, a junior at Clearview Regional High School at her Cookies for Cancer fundraiser that was held on Woodmont Court in Royal Oaks. Evelyn has been hosting this event for the past ten years. The event raises funds through cookie sales to develop new and improved less toxic treatments for pediatric cancer. Evelyn has made a positive impact in our community by her selfless nature and her kind spirit to raise awareness for the research that is still needed to help kids battle cancer. She is an inspiration to all of us and a wonderful example of a leader in our community. All of us working together is what makes our community strong. For more information about Cookies for Kids' Cancer or to learn how to host your own event, visit www.cookiesforkidscancer.org.

Included in this edition of the Township Newsletter you will find updates on various Township projects and initiatives contained in the budget that have been identified as priorities for 2019. I hope you can see, the Township Committee and I, have been working very hard to make improvements within the Township to keep Mantua a great place to live!"

Sincerely, Mayor Pete Scirrotto



"I cannot express how proud I am that our community has had such a substantial positive impact on the lives of families facing a cancer diagnosis." -Evelyn Milavsky



Emily Milavsky and team set up multiple tables of baked goods to sell to the community. The proceeds benefit children's cancer research.



Mayor Pete Scirrotto and Committeeman Shawn Layton present Emily Milavsky with a proclamation from Mantua Township.

A Message From Your Police Chief



Halloween Time is Coming!!

As Halloween approaches (it will be here before we know it), here are a few tips we would like to share and remind parents. I am sure you heard them before, this is just a refresher course.

1. Children should trick-or-treat during daylight hours.
2. Children should never be allowed to go out alone on Halloween.
3. Children should never eat any treats until they have been examined.
4. All fruit should be cut and closely examined before eating.
5. Advise children that they should never enter strangers' homes.
6. Never invite children into your home.
7. Children should never accept rides from strangers.
8. Children should never take shortcuts through backyards or alleys.
9. Set a specific time limit for your children to be out on Halloween night.
10. Give wrapped homemade treats only to children you know.
11. Instruct children not to stray from their group.
12. A responsible adult should escort children while trick-or-treating.
13. Adult escorts should carry flashlights.
14. Don't leave your home unattended.



On October 2nd, The Mantua Township Police Department hosted a "Coffee With A Cop" event at the Route 45 Wawa on National Coffee With A Cop Day! A great time was had by all!



IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING.
REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY TO THE POLICE

The Mantua Police Department counts on our residents to be our eyes and ears of the department when we are not there, and as we all know, we can't be everywhere all the time. Crime prevention is everybody's business, and without the assistance from our residents, our officers could not do their job as effectively as they do. So, how can you help? **If you see something, say something!** Most people are hesitant to call 911 to report what they saw or heard as suspicious. What you saw could have been nothing but it also could have helped us solve the case. Wouldn't it be better for a police officer to check and make sure? Please don't think that you are bothering or annoying us by calling in suspicious activity, IT IS OUR JOB AND WE ARE HERE 24 HOURS A DAY/7 DAYS A WEEK. DIAL 9-1-1 to report any in progress incident.

NEW HIRES & PROMOTIONS

We are proud to announce the addition of two new officers to the police force. Ptl. Steven Wolfsgruber and Ptl. Drew Smick were both sworn in by Mayor Pete Scirrotto on August 19th. We wish them a very safe, healthy and happy career! We also would like to welcome Ed Kiermeier as a Class 3 School Resource Officer, that joined our other two school officers in protecting our town's schools and interacting with the kids. Finally, we are proud to announce several promotions. Congratulations to Sgt. Jim Hagerty, Cpl. Jason Lipsett, Cpl. Brian Hauss, and Cpl. Rob Layton. They put a lot of effort and hard work into earning these promotions and we are looking forward to the future with them in these positions!



Chief White

Officers Stephen Wolfsgruber & Drew Smick are pictured with Committeewoman Eileen Lukens, Committeeman Shawn Layton, Mayor Pete Scirrotto, Deputy Mayor Bob Zimmerman, Police Chief Darren White and Committeeman John Legge



BLUE CAN RECYCLING GUIDELINES

OK TO RECYCLE

These are the **ONLY** materials allowed in the blue cans:



ALUMINUM & TIN CANS



GLASS BOTTLES & JARS (any color)



PLASTIC BOTTLES LABELED #1 & #2



NEWSPAPER & PAPER



CARDBOARD (no wax)

Cardboard should be cut up and placed in your blue container. Any excessively large boxes may be placed on the ground next to the can. No packaging materials besides cardboard are allowed. Thank you for following these guidelines.

DO NOT RECYCLE

PLASTIC BAGS

- Appliances
- Mixed rigid plastic bags
- Electronic batteries
- Windows or plate glass
- Mirrors
- Food scraps
- Lawn chairs and tables
- Medical waste
- Tires and rims
- Diapers / Human waste
- Propane tanks
- Needles or syringes
- Caps on plastic bottles
- Ceramics or porcelain
- Mattresses
- Clothing
- Coat hangers
- Cookware
- Oily pizza boxes



Please do not bag your recyclables! Do not place plastic bags in your recycle bin!

Investing In Our Community

Our road program for 2019 includes the following projects:

- Milling and Resurfacing of East Warren Avenue
- East Essex Avenue from East Atlantic to Center Street
- West Essex Avenue
- Bethel Mill Road portions 1000 ft from Woodbury-Glassboro Road

For Our Parks, you will see improvements such as a new sign at Chestnut Branch and new playground equipment at Chestnut Branch and McCarson Parks.

Our Senior Center located on Mercer Avenue will be receiving a new roof as a result of a Community Development Block Grant as well as some new enhancements to the physical appearance of the center.

The Police Department will be adding three new vehicles to their fleet as well as receiving additional equipment for training purposes.





Community News To Share

CELEBRATING PALEONTOLOGIST DR. KENNETH LACOVARA ON RECEIVING THE PRESTIGIOUS EXPLORERS CLUB MEDAL

A private surprise celebration was planned immediately after the highly-successful 8th Annual Community Dig Day at the Jean & Ric Edelman Fossil Park on September 14, 2019.



Pictured above with the proclamation is Jean & Ric Edelman, Committeewoman Eileen Lukens, Freeholder Frank DiMarco, Rowan President Dr. Ali Houshmand, Committeeman Shawn Layton, Freeholder Jim Lavender, Freeholder Heather Simmons, Assemblyman Adam Taliaferro and Dr. Ken Lacovara.



PITT HOPKINS

AWARENESS DAY - 9/18/19

Celebrating Mantua Township Community Members, Anthony Mirigliani & Family!



"It's always an incredible honor and one of my favorite things to do as Deputy Mayor here in Mantua Township! Along with Mayor Scirrotto, I was able to present the Mirigliani Family with a Township Proclamation recognizing today, September 18th as "Pitt Hopkins Awareness Day, AKA Anthony Mirigliani Day." I've been friend's with Frank and Claudette for 25 years, and I can't think of two nicer people in our community. We're truly blessed to have Anthony and the Mirigliani's as a part of our Mantua Township Family." -Deputy Mayor Bob Zimmerman

Taking Pride In Our Parks



For our Parks, McCarson Park received new playground equipment and a new sign was erected on Main Street at Chestnut Branch Park . **Left Photo:** Lisa (Mom) and Adeline were visiting with Grandmom and playing at the McCarson Park when Mayor Pete Scirrotto stopped in to say hi! **Above Photo:** Brand new signage in stalled at Chestnut Branch Park at entryway!



Celebrating the 150th Anniversary of the Historic Barnsboro Church



Community Events

Visit www.mantuatownship.com to view all events & news!



Thank you Eagle Scouts in Boy Scout troop 7083: Jake Nole, Ryan Toppin, Tim Bon-venture, Daniel Levine, Matthew Krokenberger and Jason Eisen for building the beautiful birdhouse in Chestnut Branch Park!

October 26, 2019 Convenience Center Drop Off at Public Works Garage
10:00 am to 2:00 pm

October 28, 2019 Leaf Pick Up Begins

October 31, 2019 Happy Halloween!
Trick or Treating
3:00 pm to 8:00 pm



November 1, 2019 Property Taxes Due
Pay your taxes online at mantuatownship.com

November 5, 2019 Election Day
Polls Open from 6:00 am - 8:00pm



November 11, 2019 Veterans Day
Municipal Offices Closed
No Trash Pick Up
Trash Will Be Picked Up on 11/12/19
11:00 am Veterans Day Ceremony @ Municipal Bldg.



November 23, 2019 Convenience Center Drop Off at Public Works Garage
10:00 am to 2:00 pm

November 28, 2019 Thanksgiving

Municipal Offices Closed
No Trash Pick Up
11/29/19 - 11/30/19
and there may be delays

November 29, 2019
Municipal Offices Closed

November 30, 2019 Winter Festival Tree Lighting
Save the date!
Information to be posted on mantuatownship.com



December 25, 2019 Christmas Day
Municipal Offices Closed
No Trash Pick Up
Trash Will Be Picked Up on 12/26/19



December 26, 2019
Municipal Offices Closed
Trash Will Be Picked Up

December 28, 2019 Convenience Center Drop Off at Public Works Garage
10:00 am to 2:00 pm

December 30, 2019
Holiday Bulk Pick Up

December 31, 2019
Holiday Bulk Pick Up

Free Flu Shots!

To learn more about free flu shots in our area please visit our website at www.mantuatownship.com

January 15, 2020
Mantua Township Blood Drive
10:00 am to 3:00 pm
For an appointment, please visit redcrossblood.org
Sponsor code: Mantuatownship
Or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767)
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Senior Corner

Mantua Township Senior Bulletin Board

Come in to the Municipal Building Senior Center to see our Senior Boards full of important & helpful information!

Upcoming Events

October 16th – Candlelight Theatre
“Catch Me if you Can”

October 21st & 28th – Bingo at Norris Street School, Lunch & Shopping

October 30th – Delaware Race Track

The monthly senior calendar can be found on our website at mantuatownship.com under “Senior Citizen Programs”.



Pictured in front of the new Senior Bulletin Board is Committeewoman Eileen Lukens, Mantua Township resident Butch Bruner and Mayor Pete Scirrotto.