

MANTUA TOWNSHIP NEWS



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A Message from Mayor Bob Zimmerman

Advocating For Our Seniors Is Always A Priority

It warms my heart to know that we have continually been a model of excellence for free and cost effective services provided to our senior citizens here in Mantua Township. Even through the most challenging budgetary cycles, our township committee has always insisted that senior services remain paramount and that our senior friends be a priority.

We have some exciting news for our Mantua senior friends as we're bringing back our 6 pm monthly dinners for the entire 2024 calendar year. **Below is a list of the six dinners we have scheduled for the community center next year:**

- Tuesday, March 26, 2024
- Tuesday, May 28, 2024
- Tuesday, July 23, 2024
- Tuesday, August 27, 2024
- Tuesday, September 24, 2024
- Tuesday, October 22, 2024



Mantua Township's New Senior Bus

We are also thrilled to announce that we recently received our new senior bus. With the assistance of the County's "Capital Transit Investment Plan," we received a \$50,000.00 grant from Gloucester County that went toward the purchase of our new bus, which in turn, saves local tax dollars. The new bus is already paying dividends as our seniors take advantage of the free transportation services.

To learn more about our senior program and to get on the senior calendar mailing list, please call Pam at the Clerk's Office at 468-1500 Ex 113.

As with our seniors, we are always looking for innovative ways to make Mantua Township a better place for everyone. Please let us know of any ideas or suggestions that can help us improve and better serve our already great community. I can always be reached at rzimmerman@mantuatownship.com.

The holiday season is a time to be thankful, and to enjoy quality time spent with family, friends and loved ones. We want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and the warmest holiday wishes during this joyous time of year!

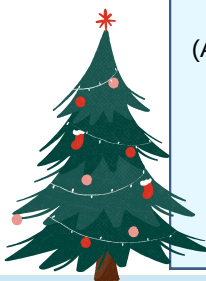
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Tax ANCHOR Information

The Affordable New Jersey Communities Homeowners and Renters (ANCHOR) Program provides property tax relief to New Jersey Residents. The current filing season for the ANCHOR Program is based on 2020 residency, income, and age.

You have until **Friday, December 29, 2023**, to file an application.

For more information, please contact Alice Kellmyer, the Mantua Township Tax Collector, via email at akellmyer@mantuatownship.com.



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UPCOMING DATES



JANUARY 1-5
BULK PICK UP

JANUARY 15-19
CHRISTMAS TREE PICK UP

MARCH 2
FREE RABIES CLINIC

9:00 A.M. -12 P.M.

PUBLIC WORKS GARAGE



To compliment our community center dinners, we will be scheduling the following additional SENIOR dinners:

Tuesday, April 23, 2024
@ Peking Buffet (Glassboro)

Tuesday, June 25, 2024
@ Empire Diner (Brooklawn)

Thursday, November 14, 2024
@ Empire Diner (Brooklawn)

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Blended Joe Coffee & Cookie Bar

Mantua Township is looking forward to welcoming the new business, the Blended Joe & Cookie Bar, opening inside Mantua Township's Pizza Tower in January 2024. Denise and her daughter, Jill, from The Cookie Basket, are teaming up with Joe Laconelli from Blended Joe Coffee to offer a unique variety of cookies and coffee! Pizza Tower will soon be a one-stop shop for pizza, coffee, and desserts!

Mantua Township Police Department

Due to retirements, we have hired a lot of officers this year. Please keep an eye out for Officers Craig, Ettore, Germscheid, Jowett, Sweeney, and Cirone. There will be more full-time and special officers coming shortly, too! Our selection process is very detailed, including written and oral exams, interviews, and evaluations on military time, seniority, training, and other items. This helps to ensure that we hire the best and most qualified people possible. If you are interested in applying, please email your resume to mantuapd@mantuatownship.com. We keep all names on file for the next time we hire.



The Blended Joe Coffee & Cookie Bar Holiday Pop-Up on November 25th, 2023, was a success!

Disc Golf Course

The nine-hole disc golf course in Chestnut Branch Park, known as Tornado Crossing, had its official opening with a ceremony and proclamation on October 14, 2023, at the Mantua Municipal Building. Mantua Township Committeeman John Legge presented a proclamation to Mr. Joseph "Jim" Kiel and Mr. Jason Moore to recognize their volunteer efforts and dedication to this project. Tornado Crossing is located in the back of Chestnut Branch Park and spans 50 acres. The course will get an additional nine holes by next summer!



Mayor Bob Zimmerman, along with Township Committeemen John Legge and Shawn Layton, presented a proclamation to Jim Kiel and Jason Moore in front of a large crowd celebrating the opening of the Chestnut Branch Disc Golf Course!

2024 Annual Winter Festival

Every year seems to top the last! We had food trucks, rides, and Santa Claus. We also had a wonderful band playing festive music, State Trooper Donahue and his trusty steed, Phantom, greeting guests, and a visit from Miss Avalon- Emily Cooney!

Mantua Township would like to personally thank all residents who came to the event on November 30, 2023, and we would like to thank all personnel who worked so hard and tirelessly to make this event possible!



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