### **OUARTERLY NEWSLETTER SPRING 2024**

# MANTUA TOWNSHIP NEWS

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### ROBERT T. ZIMMERMAN MAYOR

# PETER SCIRROTTO DEPUTY MAYOR

JOHN LEGGE COMMITTEEMAN

**EILEEN LUKENS**COMMITTEEWOMAN

SHAWN LAYTON COMMITTEEMAN

### **UPCOMING DATES**



MARCH 23RD
CONVENIENCE CENTER DROP OFF
10AM - 2PM
@PUBLIC WORKS GARAGE

APRIL 13TH
SHREDDING EVENT
9AM – 12PM
@MUNICIPAL BUILDING

APRIL 15TH-19TH SPRING LEAF PICK UP

MAY 27TH
MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE
10:30AM
@MUNICIPAL BUILDING

MAY 31 MOVIE IN THE PARK: MIGRATION CHESTNUT BRANCH PARK



# A Message from Mayor Bob Zimmerman

#### **American Heart Month**

February was American Heart Month. For me personally, heart disease is something that I've been battling for many years. Heart Month in Mantua is very near and dear to my heart. Twelve years ago, at the young age of 46, I was given a new lease on life. I was blessed to have survived the "widow maker" and emergency (CABG) coronary artery bypass graft surgery that repaired a 98% blockage in the left anterior descending artery of my heart.



Mayor Robert Zimmerman presented Jim Atkins with a Heart Month proclamation alongside his wife, Robin Atkins.

At our February 12th township committee meeting we recognized longtime resident, Jim Atkins. Jim survived quadruple bypass surgery in 2012, and since that time, he has had 4 heart attacks, 8 stents placed in his heart, and was diagnosed with congestive heart failure. Jim is a heart warrior, and we're thankful he's helped us to spread awareness throughout our community. I presented Jim with a proclamation for his efforts.

#### **Deck the House Winners**

Also at our February 12th committee meeting, we recognized the winners of our 2023 inaugural "Deck the House" holiday decorating contest with a proclamation. We'd like to congratulate the following winners and thank each family for their participation and hard work: Genzel Family - 1st Place; Hauss Family - 2nd Place; Brady Family - 3rd Place; Scirrotto Family & Thurston Family - Top 5 Competitors



Mantua Township's Deck the House winners!

We look forward to this coming year's contest being bigger and brighter as we light-up Mantua Township with more merry-making competitors this Christmas season.

### Chestnut Branch Park: "Pups in the Park"

Saturday, May 4th from 9 am to 12 pm will be the official grand opening and celebration of Chestnut Branch Park becoming a dog friendly facility as we host a" Pups in the Park" kick-off event. Residents are encouraged to join in the fun with their fur babies. Of course, the signage will be changed at the park to make dogs allowable, and we will provide dog waste clean-up stations around the park grounds. Leashes will be required at all times, and owners will be responsible for cleaning up after their dogs and abiding by the rules. As a dog owner and lover myself, I can't wait.





Nugget kindly reminds his fellow furry companions to stay leashed at all times!

Mantua Township Municipal Building 401 Main Street Mantua. NJ 08051

## **More on Mantua!**



FREE RABIES CLINIC March 2, 2024

9 a.m. - 12 p.m. @ Public Works Garage

Municipal Offices Will Be Open During this Time for Pet Licensing

### GLOUCESTER COUNTY TIRE AMNESTY WEEK

March 18th - 22nd Max. 4 Tires Per Home No Truck Tires & No Rims

### **GREEN CART PICK-UP**

Begins on March 18, 2024

Only Grass and Leaves are Permitted in the Green Cart

### **HAZARDOUS WASTE**

Mantua Township will not collect hazardous or combustible waste.

The Gloucester County Improvement Authority Hosts Several Household Special Waste Collection Events

### **Upcoming Collection Days:**

Saturday, April 13th Saturday, May 4th

#### **Location:**

493 Monroeville Road (Rt. 694) South Harrison Township PRSRT STD U.S. Postage PAID Deptford, NJ PERMIT #41

## Mantua Township's Spring Spotlight



Mayor Robert Zimmerman and Deputy Mayor Pete Scirrotto attended the "Eagle Scout Court of Honor" for Brandon T. Byrne on January 20th at the Mantua VFW Post 7679.

### **Eagle Scout Court of Honor!**

Brandon is a Mantua Township resident and earned the rank of Eagle Scout through the Boy Scouts of America Troop 7083. He dedicated his Eagle Scout Project to building two information boards for the 9/11 Memorial Trail at Chestnut Branch Park in Mantua Township.

"It was a distinct honor to present Brandon with a Township Proclamation recognizing his hard work and dedication. It's certainly apparent that Brandon's qualities exemplify that of a future leader. Congratulations on a job well done!" - Mayor Bob Zimmerman



Mayor Robert Zimmerman swearing in Lt. Bill Murphy as Captain!

### Lt. Bill Murphy is Now Captain!

Lieutenant Bill Murphy was promoted to the rank of Captain! He was sworn in during the Township committee meeting on February 12th, 2024! Captain Murphy has been serving Mantua Township since 2006. He has held the ranks of corporal, sergeant, and lieutenant, and also served with Gloucester County SWAT. We are very excited to have Bill Murphy continue his work and service in Mantua Township!