

## SERVICE, PROGRESS, INNOVATION

Service, Progress, Innovation. These three words describe what is happening in your community. The change is noticeable and the excitement can be felt. We have completed numerous projects this year and you will read about the upcoming plans we have in store for Deptford Township. Open government is not a cliché in Deptford. Our newsletter is sent out twice a year to keep our community informed of what is happening in Deptford. Whether you are a lifelong resident or new resident you will benefit and learn about services, current projects and future goals in this newsletter.

Nemours Pediatric Deptford and Mission Barbecue are two of the most recent companies to move to Deptford and they recognize that we are the place to be. We are in weekly talks with new exciting businesses that recognize how successful they will be here in Deptford Township.

New recreation equipment at Fasola Park has been a huge hit this summer and we encourage you to visit the park to utilize all it has to offer to all age groups. We have new adult fitness equipment, a new marked out walking path, new playground equipment and so much more.

Some of our upcoming projects include developing Andaloro Farm into a family learning and healthy living center. We would like to teach families how to grow vegetables and show children the methods of getting food from the farm to our tables is one fun goal. We are planning our very own history museum there as well. Volunteers are needed to help turn this into a first class center for our community. We have several volunteers signed up but we are looking for more.

Deptford has a great location, safe neighborhoods, outstanding businesses but most of all we have you! People are what make a community and we need each of you to help contribute and become part of our progress. Call us, write us or email us and let's move forward together to continue to make Deptford Township great!

God Bless America and our troops.



Fasola Park Ribon Cutting Ceremony



Almonesson Lake



Kayak Ramp

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# A Message from the Mayor



Dedication is the best word to describe Township Council's approach to governing. They are focused on our community reaching its full potential in every way. Municipal services, customer relations, community events, safe neighborhoods, good schools, the best police force, great administrators and employees are all some of the items we work on constantly. You need to know we examine every aspect of operating and improving government functions.

Our change is very noticeable. Look for leadership projects below. They include our new dog park; Fasola Park has new adult exercise equipment, new walking paths, beach volleyball courts, whiffle ball fields and tennis courts. We are creating

Deptford's first ever nature preserve. There is a kayak and canoe dock at Almonesson Lake. We now own one of the only Municipal Farms in the State. We are working on playground renovations at every park. Our road improvement program is one of the best in the state. We have one of the most active community event programs around.

It sounds like we are bragging and we are. Compare us with any community for the work we do and at the same time we maintain one of the most stable tax rates. We want you to be proud to live here and for you to brag about our community.

The best home starts with the strongest foundations. That's what we have created. With simple hard work, dedication and commitment, we can do anything together.





## **Leadership Projects**

**Goals accomplished at** no cost to our residents!

- Customer Service
- Public Works Improvements
- Debt Reduction Program
- Agreement County, MUA, Fire, **School & Library**

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- - New Pedestrian Walkways
  - Mayor's Wellness Campaign
  - Annual Toy & Food Drive
  - Received Safety Award
  - Community Service Program
  - New Recreation Programs
  - Community Outreach Programs
  - Trimmed workforce through attrition with no layoffs

- CDBG Grants
- NJDOT Grants
- Veterans Park Memorial
- Library Projects
- Technology Improvements
- Almoneson Lake Improvements
- Ambulance Bldg.
- Pole Barn
- Walking Paths Volleyball Courts

- Kayak & Canoe Dock
- Andaloro Farm
- Dog Park
- Whiffle Ball Fields

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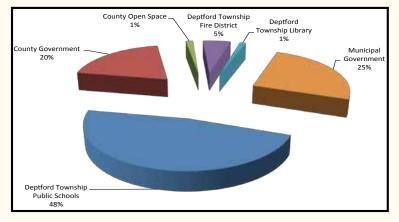


# **Understanding Your Tax Dollars at Work**

Wondering how your tax dollars are appropriated? Your Municipal tax dollars are allocated to operate our local municipal services such as police, public works, trash collection and salaries. Your tax bill is mailed from and paid to the Deptford Township government offices. However, the Township does not use all of your tax dollars. We act as the central receiving point for the tax money and allocate the funds to various taxing districts as mandated by the State of New Jersey.

Please review the breakdown listed below to assist you in determining where your tax dollars are appropriated.

• •	sessed Valuation = \$3.06	
	2016 Tax Rate (per \$100)	Dollars
Deptford Township Public Schools	\$1.467	\$2,625.86
County Government	0.599	\$1,072.18
County Open Space	0.039	\$69.81
Deptford Township Fire District	0.155	\$277.44
Deptford Township Library	0.032	\$57.28
Municipal Government	0.777	\$1,390.79
Total	\$3.069	\$5,493.36



## **KEEPING DEPTFORD AFFORDABLE**

With all of the exciting things that are happening in Deptford Township, we are happy to report that we are able to maintain the fourth lowest average residential property tax in Gloucester County (1). This is a reflection of hard work by all branches of the government that are included in your property taxes to maintain a vibrant community while being mindful of the level of taxation.

Mayor, Council and Administration of Deptford Township keep an eye to the future with discussions regarding budgets up to five years away to preserve a consistent local tax levy while maintaining and expanding the services provided by the Township to its residents. The Township also strives to attract and retain commercial properties to keep a level tax base.

(1) Based on calculations performed with information provided by the Gloucester County Tax Assessor.

## **TAX COLLECTION 2016/2017**

Online Services Now Available Property tax bills are now viewable online at the Township's website (www. deptford-nj.org) under the "Pay taxes online" to the left of the home screen.

Interest listed on delinquent

taxes is calculated for the current day's date only. Please contact the Tax Collection Department to obtain interest calculations for a future date.

The billing period for 2015/16 will allow property owners the ability to make tax payments online by using a credit or debit card. A convenience fee will apply when making online payments. Convenience Fee Schedule Visa credit card - 2.95% MasterCard credit card - 2.95% Discover credit card - 2.95% American Express credit card - 2.95% Visa debit card - \$3.95

Municipal or outside property liens cannot be redeemed through the online portal. Please contact Tax Collection Department at (856) 845-5300 for redemption amounts. Properties on tax sales cannot be paid online 80 days prior to the tax sale.

# **Public Works Department**

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Renovations have been made to our Public Works Building. A new Pole Barn has been constructed to store equipment and improvements to the parking lot have been completed.

Branch Removal - Ordinance 0.11.12, titled Branches and Logs. Please adhere to the ordinance to allow us to maintain the regular pick-up schedule.

Branches must be able to fit in the yard waste containers. Branches that cannot fit must be cut to 5' lengths and stacked neatly at the curbline. All stumps and logs should be free of dirt and debris and cut to 24".

Please note: This service is not offered to builders and/or contractors. To schedule a prompt pick-up, please call (856) 228-4719 or visit www.deptford-nj.org.

Snow Removal - The Township of Deptford needs the help of its citizens to efficiently remove snow and ice from the roadways. We need everyone to keep all vehicles off the street. This includes all registered vehicles and trailers. We intend to plow curb to curb when possible. We have over 500 roads to plow locally and we need 100% cooperation. The following describes the Township's method of snow removal and what you can do to help.

heavy snowfall, concentration is placed getting closed during plowing: on the main roadways until they are cleared at which time the secondary roads are attended to. Cul-de-sacs, or circles, are the last to be plowed.

difficult streets to plow and require in the clearing before your driveway the greatest amount of time. The Public Works department prefers to push the snow off the road leaving the cul-de-sac free from snow piles that could melt and cause icing conditions. This greatly reduces hazardous conditions and prevents pot holes from forming.

trucks plow as close to the curb-line as possible which creates a wider roadway for travel and parking. During heavier snowfalls, there are times when snow may get pushed into already cleared

carry the most traffic) are given first diagram below when shoveling your cars in the street. priority for salting and plowing. During a driveway will help avoid the driveway

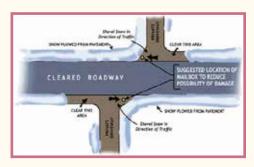
The snow that is in front of a plow will unload whenever it passes a clear area. Providing a clear area on the side of the driveway where the plow will be We Cul-de-sacs are among the most traveling, will allow the snow to unload instead of in your driveway.

Kernel Cars parked on the street become a major problem during inclement winter weather. As the plow goes around the parked vehicles, it leaves piles of snow on the roadway. To avoid this, please remove vehicles from the street The Public Works department during snowstorms, in accordance with Township Ordinance.

> Nease avoid driving when it is not absolutely necessary during snow plowing operations. Snow plowing, that is normally a routine function, becomes

🐝 The main roadways (those that driveways and sidewalks. Following the difficult with stalled, stuck or parked

### PLEASE DO NOT **THROW SNOW** INTO THE STREET FROM YOUR SIDEWALK AND DRIVEWAY



## **Single Stream Recycling Reminder**

Single stream (also known as fully commingled) recycling refers to a system in which all paper fibers and containers are mixed together into one container instead of being sorted in separate commodities (newspaper, cardboard, plastic, glass, etc.) by the resident and handled separately throughout the collection process. In single stream, the resident can now place all recycling material into the same container.



## FALL LEAF COLLECTION SCHEDULE 2016

ZONES 1 & 6		<i>ZONES 3 &amp; 5</i> *see zone descriptions below		ZONES 2 & 4	
Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	October 31 November 1 November 2 November 3 November 4	Monday Wednesday Thursday Friday Tuesday	November 7 November 9 November 10 November 11 November 15	Thursday Friday Monday	November 16 November 17 November 18 November 21 November 22
Wednesday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday	November 23 November 28 November 29 November 30 December 1	Monday Tuesday	December 2 December 5 December 6 December 7 December 8	Friday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday	December 9 December 12 December 13 December 14 December 15
Friday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday	December 16 December 19 December 20 December 21 December 22		December 23 December 27 December 28 December 29 December 30	Wednesday Thursday Friday	January 3 January 4 January 5 January 6 January 9

**ZONES:** As noted below, each "Zone" includes several areas & developments, each with varying amounts of leaves. We will be in each zone three (3) times. Each zone will be completed before moving to the next zone. Every effort should be made to have leaves at curbside before the first day of each scheduled visit to ensure timely pickup. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

**ZONE 1**: Blackwood Terrace, Almonesson, Garden City, Sunset Park, Hunter's Gate, Woodmere Mews, Heritage Woods, Valley Green Estates. Boundary Limits: Almonesson Road, Rt. 41, Clements Bridge Road, Bull Run Creek and all adjoining residential streets.

**ZONE 2:** Westville Grove, Westville Oaks, North Woodbury, Woodbury Gardens, Locust Grove, Blanchard's Landing, Ladd's Landing, Heritage Development. Boundary Limits: Deptford Avenue, Delsea Drive (Rt.47), Cedar Avenue, Old Broadway and all adjoining residential streets.

**ZONE 3**: Oak Valley, Pine Acres, Mantua Terrace. Boundary Limits: Route 45, Deptford/West Deptford borderline to Jersey Avenue, Woodbury Heights Boundary Line.

**ZONE 4**: Deptford Leas, Bexhill Farms, Windemere, Stonybrook Homes, Gardenville center, Cooper Village, Almolind Homes, Woodbrook, Patriots Ridge. Boundary Limits: Fox Run Road, Delsea Drive (Rt. 47), Almonesson Road, NJ Turnpike and all adjoining residential streets.

**ZONE 5**: Hammond Heights, Jericho, Deptford Terrace, New Sharon, Lake Tract, Narraticon, Barlow Tract, Country Club Estates, East Woodbury, Lakebridge, Brookmill Homes, Sage Hill. Boundary Limits: Delsea Drive (Rt. 47) - Cooper Street, Glassboro Road, Tanyard Road, Cattell Road, Highland Avenue and all adjoining residential streets.

**ZONE 6**: Sewell, Lakes of Bankbridge, East Wenonah, Loucroft Farms. Boundary Limits: Tanyard Road, Salina Road, Bankbridge Road, Delsea Drive(Rt. 47) and all adjoining residential streets.

### \*NOTE: PLEASE BE PATIENT, THE SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS.

• Please remember to keep leaves away from vehicles and not to park on leaf piles so leaf machines will have easy access to the leaves. Leaves must be placed at the curb free of any rocks, branches, twigs, dirt, pet waste, horse manure or other debris in order for them to be vacuumed up easily and not cause damage to machines.

• Leaves not put to the curb for pickup during this scheduled leaf pickup will have to wait until the beginning of the Spring Clean Up Program or our Yard Waste Program to be picked up.

• Please note that our Yard Waste Pickup Program runs all year. Yard waste debris such as grass, flowers, plants, small limbs, and "leaves" are required to be placed in containers or biode gradable paper bags at the curb for pickup.

• Loose leaves placed at the curb, instead of in cans, will only be collected during our scheduled leaf collection programs.

## REMINDER

- No Plastic Bags
- No Sticks Or Other Debris
- Place Leaves at Curbline



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# MAYOR & COUNCIL'S 7th Annual Holiday **TOY & FOOD DRIVE**

In the spirit of holiday giving, Deptford Township Mayor & Council are continuing their "7th Annual Holiday Toy & Food Drive" tradition this year on Monday, December 5, 2016

The event will be held at Adelphia Restaurant from 7:00PM - 10:00PM. This event includes an open bar and appetizers, as well as a Silent Auction. Tickets are \$15.00 per person (Adults only). Please bring a new, unwrapped toy for a child ranging from infant to 16 years of age. Proceeds directly benefit Deptford Township residents. Due to the overwhelming response to our past year's events, over 150 families in Deptford Township had a brighter holiday.

> For additional information or to purchase tickets, contact the Manager's Office at (856) 686-2220.

## **Tree Lighting**

Mayor & Council invite your family to celebrate Deptford Township's Annual Tree Lighting. The ceremony will be held on Friday, December 2, 2016 beginning at 6:00PM at the Recreation Center at 52 Montague Lane. In our continuing efforts of Deptford **Township Mayor & Council's 7th Annual Holiday Toy** & Food Drive, please bring a new unwrapped toy for children ages infant to 16 years old. Each child will receive a complimentary photo with Santa and Mrs. Clause and a ticket for a surprise gift. Crafts and light refreshments will also be provided.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**SENIOR LUNCHEON** Auletto Caterer's Mon., November 7, 2016 12:00pm-3:00pm

VOTE ON **ELECTION DAY General Election** November 8, 2016

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Polls are open from 6:00am - 8:00pm

**ANNUAL TREE** LIGHTING

December 2, 2016, 6:00pm **CHRISTMAS LIGHT** 

**BUS TOUR** December 13, 2016, 6:00pm

**"COME FLY WITH US" CONTEST AWARD** CEREMONY January 9, 2017, 6:00pm

**DR. MARTIN** LUTHER KING, JR. CELEBRATION January 10, 2017, 6:00pm Scan our new QR Code with your smart phone to access www.deptford-nj.org





Christmas House Decorating Contest entry forms should be submitted via mail or dropped off at:

**Deptford Skating Center** 

510 Deptford Ave. Westville, NJ 08093

DEADLINE:

### **DECEMBER 15, 2016**

The event is sponsored by Mayor, Council and the **Township Recreation** Committee





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## DEPTFORD TOWNSHIP POLLING LOCATIONS IN THE GENERAL ELECTION

The General Election will be on Tuesday, November 8, 2016. The polls will open at 6:00AM and close at 8:00PM. Please check your sample ballot and look at the location where you need to vote. \*Some Polling Locations and Districts may have changed. The Deptford Township Chief Administrator of all elections is Township Clerk, Dina Zawadski, RMC, CMC. Should you have any questions regarding polling locations, voter registration or a Vote By Mail applications, please contact the Clerk's Office at (856) 686-2203. Deptford Township Polling Locations are as follows:

	POLLING DISTRICT #s	LOCATIONS
1	DEPTFORD MUNICIPAL BLDG.	1011 Cooper St., Deptford
2	DEPTFORD SENIOR CENTER	1341 Tanyard Rd., Sewell
3	DEPTFORD AMBULANCE BLDG.	2506 Good Intent Rd., Deptford
4	DEPTFORD RECREATION CENTER	52 Montague Ln., Deptford
5	DEPTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY,	670 Ward Dr., Deptford
6	DEPTFORD MUNICIPAL BLDG.	1011 Cooper St., Deptford
7	HELPING HAND FIRE DEPT.	86 Fisher Ave., Westville
8	DEPTFORD PUBLIC WORKS	1702-1704 Hurffville Rd., Deptford
9	DEPTFORD SOCCER COMPLEX	1002 Cattell Rd., Deptford
10	DEPTFORD MUNICIPAL BLDG.	1011 Cooper St., Deptford
11	OAK VALLEY FIRE CO.	595 Princeton Blvd., Oak Valley
12	OAK VALLEY FIRE CO	595 Princeton Blvd., Oak Valley
13	OAK VALLEY FIRE CO.	595 Princeton Blvd., Oak Valley
14	DEPTFORD AMBULANCE BLDG.	2506 Good Intent Rd., Deptford
15	CORP. L.E. JONES VFW	640 Tacoma Blvd., Westville Grove
16	DEPTFORD SENIOR CENTER	1341 Tanyard Rd., Sewell
17	CORP. L.E. JONES VFW	640 Tacoma Blvd., Westville Grove
18	LAKEBRIDGE COMMUNITY CENTER	21 Knollwood Dr., Deptford
19	CORP. L.E. JONES VFW	640 Tacoma Blvd., Westville Grove
20	DEPTFORD RECREATION CENTER	52 Montague Ln., Deptford
21	DEPTFORD MUNICIPAL BLDG.	1011 Cooper St., Deptford
22	DEPTFORD SENIOR CENTER	1341 Tanyard Rd., Sewell



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## Nemours duPont Pediatrics, Deptford

Wow! Nemours duPont Pediatrics has opened its doors in Deptford Township. Nemours is known throughout the region and across the country for expertise in pediatric medicine, research, prevention and education. Nemours duPont Pediatrics, Deptford is the latest example of this. It is conveniently located on Almonesson

Road near the Deptford Mall. South Jersey families now have even greater access to renowned physicians and care teams. Their pediatric teams work together with your child's pediatrician or family care provider, and pediatric specialists and researchers throughout Nemours, to achieve the very best outcome for your child.

It's a beautiful facility with world class pediatric healthcare right here in our Township. The building is a wonderful piece of architecture. Our whole community welcomes the Nemours duPont Family as a resident of our great Township.

We have already seen a huge amount of interest in other medical uses now that Nemours is located here. We are in discussions with other healthcare companies who have recognized Deptford as a great



location with great opportunities. It also fits into our future plans of opening other commercial uses in Deptford. We are looking forward to what the future holds.



**Stand at attention!** Do not speak, hold your hand over your heart, take your headgear off, sing or recite the words. What are we asking you to do? We are asking you to respect the Flag!

Do you know what our flag represents? Do you know the Flag code or what respecting the flag means?

The American Flag IS every soldier, patriot and citizen who gave up their life on this earth for a belief that this is the greatest country in history. These soldiers left Moms and Dads, brothers and sisters, husbands, wives, children and friends to fight and defend their belief in our country and democracy.

The flag is freedom of speech, freedom to practice religion, freedom to criticize government, freedom to live our lives as we want to. Basic human rights are not a gift because of the constant threat of evil regimes that have no regard or concern for the rest of civilization.

There is a disturbing trend we see and it is up to all of us to make folks aware. At sporting events, community gatherings and meetings we all need to remind everyone of their duty to salute and respect the flag During the National Anthem, singing God Bless America and Pledge of Allegiance.

All of these are symbols of love of country and patriotism. These words are something we should be proud if. We rarely hear about patriotism. This life we enjoy is not a God given right. It was and will continue to be fought for and defended by our true heroes.

Even at sporting events we should be saluting heroes like the memory of Patrick Tillman who gave up his NFL career to go join the Army Rangers and died in combat or the memories of local soldiers like Sal Corma who volunteered and gave his life so there could be an NFL. It's a disturbing trend and we need to speak out.

Do not be afraid to express your patriotism and defense of our country. Does your children's school recite the pledge of allegiance? Are they taught flag protocol? Are they taught patriotism? You should find out because, who are the future soldiers, politicians and government representatives? It is our children and their children. We are here because of unbelievably brave men and women, HEROES, who defend us. Our future heroes are in our classrooms and it is our duty to teach them. The founding Fathers gave up fortunes, jobs and their lives to create this Democracy. Do not let anyone forget that fact. It had its imperfections and flaws but we are able to debate them without fear of being silenced or jailed or tortured like in a lot of countries.

God Bless America! Bless our troops and their families. **Page 7** 





## & ART GALLERY

Deptford Township is the only municipality that supports varied and popular art programs. Original art is on display for your pleasure and purchase at the Municipal Building Art Gallery. Free Art films are shown once a month in the courtroom and there are many cultural trips to take. See website for full schedule of trips, Artist receptions and Galleria artists at www.thelivingsartsclub.org or call Pauline Jonas, Deptford Township Art Consultant at (856) 384-6582.

### **ARTIST RECEPTIONS:**

November 27th, 2 until 4pm: featuring work of New Jersey Pastel Painters. Wheaton Arts – Contemporary Glass Display. Music by Mike Plunkett. Work on display at the Deptford Art Galleria at the Municipal Building until January 25th.

February 5th, 2 until 4pm: featuring work of Phillip Carroll and Students, John Lewis Egenstafer, Joe Perno, Hunter Hughes, Brian Kutner, 3D Artist to be announced. Work on display at the Deptford Art Galleria at the Municipal Building until March 29th.

## **ART FILMS:**

November 15th:	August Rodin
December 13th:	Pablo Casals: Song of the Birds
Jan 10th:	Isamu Noguchi, Sculptor
February 14th:	Mondrian
March 14th:	Seurat
April 11th:	For National Poetry Month: W.S. Merwin: Even Though the Whole World is Burning
May 9th:	Aaron Copeland and the American Sound
June 13th:	Private Life of a Masterpiece, Renoir's Dance at Le Moulin De La Galette
	All films are shown at noon. Free and open to all.

More details on our website: www.thelivingartsclub.org

## **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AT THE RECREATION CENTER**

ADULT OPEN COURT BASKETBALL WEDNESDAY



6:00pm – 8:00pm Ages 30 and over • 8:00pm – 10:00pm Ages 18 to 30 Participants must provide basketballs. For additional information please contact (856) 845-0804.

This year we tried something new and exciting. The Township hosted 3 paint nights, all were very successful. We are planning additional paint nights for later this winter. Please check our website www.dept-ford-nj.org for additional information. New dates will be posted as soon as the information is available.



### • DEPTFORD BASKETBALL

Vernon Davis (732) 672-7653 / www.deptfordbasketball.org

DEPTFORD BASEBALL
Don Bozzuffi

(856) 693-3489 / www.deptfordlittleleague.com

• **DEPTFORD FOOTBALL & CHEERLEADING** Leah Jenkins (856) 534-5638 / www.dmspartans.com

#### • DEPTFORD SOCCER

Mike Bonanno (609) 870-7512 / www.deptfordsoccer.net

• **DEPTFORD SOFTBALL** Deb Romer (609) 617-6992 sports.bluesombrero.com/deptfordsoftball

#### • DEPTFORD WRESTLING

Paul Bachman (609) 221-9614 www.deptfordjrwrestling.com

## OAK VALLEY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Jim Lynch (856) 373-2482 / www.oakvalleyaa.com



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## Get Carded at the Deptford Free Public Library

The Deptford Free Public Library celebrated Library Card Sign-Up with its #GetCarded campaign, which will be on-going. If you don't have a library card, you can come in at any time to get one. Anyone who lives, owns, property, works or goes to school in Deptford Township is eligible for a DFPL library card. You simply need to bring in a photo ID and proof of eligibility.

Fall has arrived; and as the days get cooler, it's the perfect time to start warming up with a good book. Regardless of your reading interests, whether you find comfort in holding a good ole paperback in your hands or prefer reading on your mobile devices, the library has something for everyone.

There are many reasons to get a library card. A DFPL library card will allow you to:

1. Check-out out materials from our collection of over 80,000 books, almost 5,000 DVDs, and almost 3,000 audiobooks.

2. Obtain materials from other libraries' collections, in the event that we don't have the item you want in our own collection.

3. Access eBooks on your mobile devices using the OverDrive app. Information about accessing eBooks can be obtained from the library or on the library's Website.

4. Access our online databases, including the Chilton's Library and Price It! Antiques and Collectibles Database, as well as those available from the State Library through Jersey Clicks. A complete list of databases can be found on our Website.

5. Check-out passes for museums and other area attractions included in our Discovery Program. This includes Battleship New Jersey, Camden Children's Garden, Garden State Discovery Museum, and Paws Farm.

6. Show your DFPL library card at participating businesses during specified dates and get discounts or other perks. Information about the Double Check Program and a list of participating businesses can be obtained from the library or on the library's Website.

7. Enter contests for prizes during select periods, throughout the year, which may only be open to LOGIN library card-holders.

The Library has been undergoing renovations and continues to upgrade our facility and our programs. We have many new and improved programs for the upcoming year. If you are of age over 55 come out and meet with Mayor Medany and Susanne Sacchetti, Library Director at our quarterly Coffee Klatch at the library. We will update you on what is happening in Deptford Township. Coffee Klatch will meet on the 1st Friday of February, May, August and November.

Our children's program is one of the best in Gloucester County. Ms. Susan has been doing these programs for well over 40 years. Every year we are increasing in the children's division. Our Lego Club, which meets on Monday's at 4pm, has been a huge success.

We would also like to give a special thanks to our Library Director, Board of Trustees, Friends of the Library, staff and volunteers for their commitment to our library and their dedication to serving our community, and thank all of the businesses that helped us celebrate Library Card Sign-Up Month.



There is so much to do at our library for all ages. We are expanding our programs for all ages. Come check us out. For additional information visit us on the web site www.deptfordpubliclibrary.org.

## **Deptford Free Public Library**

### For Children

Lego Club at the Library: Every Monday, 5:00pm Open to children of all ages. Registration preferred. Stop by or call the library to register.

#### Children's Story Hours at the Library:

Times Vary. Registration required. Stop by or call the library to register.

#### For Teens, Adults & Seniors Bridge Club:

Most Thursdays, 10:00am-1:00pm All ages. No registration.

## Adult Coloring

meets the 4th Monday of each month at 11AM and the 4th Thursday of each month at 6PM.

### **Contact Us**

In Person: Deptford Free Public Library 670 Ward Drive Deptford, NJ 08096 By Phone: (856) 848-9149 By Email: info@deptfordpubliclibrary.org On the Web: www.deptfordpubliclibrary.org On Facebook: www.facebook.com/ deptfordfreepubliclibrary





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## Deptford Township Emergency Medical Services Medical Transport Division

Deptford Township EMS has expanded our service to include non-emergency medical transportation. We are now able to provide ambulance, wheelchair, bariatric, and shuttle transport for scheduled medical appointments. Please contact the EMS administration office to schedule your medical transportation. We look forward to assisting you.

Non-Emergency Ambulance Transport
MAV-Wheelchair Transport

**V**Bariatric Ambulance Transport

Shuttle Service for Medical Appointments

Phone (856) 845-6473 • Email: medicaltransport@deptford-nj.org • www. deptford-nj.org

## Deptford Township Participates in the VIAL OF LIFE Program

The Vial of Life is a program that allows individuals to have their complete medical information ready in their home for Emergency Service personnel to reference during an emergency. This program is used to provide the patient's medical information when a patient is not able

to speak or remember this information. Vial of Life programs are commonly used by senior citizens, but this life saving program can be used by anyone in need. The decals, medical information forms, and other materials are free and available from our EMS department, please call (856)845-6473 and we will gladly deliver a Vial of Life to your home.



## **News from Deptford Police Department**

The men and women of the police department hope that everyone had an enjoyable summer. The children have returned to the classroom and as always we hope they all enjoy a new school year filled with activities and learning opportunities. Everyone

should drive safely at all times, however please pay special attention to school zones and bus stops. There are many children that walk to school in our township and we all need to look out for their safety. Our officers will patrol school zones throughout the school day and we ask that if you see any suspicious behavior or other traffic issues that are of concern, please contact us.

Over the past year, our department has continued to aggressively fight crime in our township and many residents have become involved by reporting crime, suspicious activity, or getting involved in Town watch programs. Working together, we can make a difference to ensure the highest quality of life in our township.

The department has continued with many of our community service programs we offer and will continue to develop new ideas and concepts to better provide our services to the community.



The Deptford Police Department is currently an accredited agency through the New Jersey State Chief's Association that ensures our policies and practices meet very high standards of best practices in law enforcement. At the end of August, our department was inspected for re-accreditation status which occurs every three years and we expect to be re-accredited at the October 2016 Accreditation Commission hearing.

We would like to welcome Luke Ivey to our department as a Special Officer Class II. Luke is currently attending Gloucester County Police Academy.

## Winter Tips for Outdoors

When a winter storm or extreme cold threatens, you should avoid going outdoors unless absolutely necessary. In the event that you must, however, always dress warmly and return indoors as soon as possible. • Wear multiple layers of clothing to stay warm, as well as a hat, scarf, mittens, a water-resistant jacket and boots.

• Avoid over-exerting yourself while shoveling snow or performing any other hard work or heavy lifting. Extreme cold puts extra strain on your heart and cardiovascular system, so heed your doctor's advice if you have experienced any signs of heart disease or high blood pressure in the past. If don't have to do outdoor chores in the cold, wait until the storm passes and the outside temperature warms up.

• Avoid ice wherever possible. It's extremely easy to fall on icecovered pavement, sidewalks, stairs and curbs, and many winter weather injuries occur every year on icy surfaces like these. Use rock salt or other de-icing chemicals to keep your porch, driveway and sidewalk as free of ice as possible, or spread sand to reduce the risk of slipping.

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## DAILY SENIOR NEWS

Calling all Deptford Township Seniors, check out what the Township has to offer. Here are some of the activities that happen throughout the year. We advertise our events in the newspaper, on our website www.deptford-nj.org and also have flyers available at our Senior Center located at 1341 Tanyard Road. Mayor and Council are encouraging all to come out and join in the fun.

**TAI CHI CLASSES** – Free classes for Deptford Seniors on Monday mornings 9:30 at the Senior Center Benefits: Enhances body-mind harmony, Improves internal energy level, Improves muscle strength and endurance, reduces back pain, reduces daily stress and slows down the aging process. For more information contact the Manager's Office at (856)686-2220.

**SENIOR BINGO** - Bingo will be held at the Senior Center on the 2nd Wednesday of the month from 12pm until 2:30. Bingo cards will be sold. Light refreshments will be served. The dates for 2017 are January 11th, February 8th, March 8, April 12th, May 10th, June 14th, July 12th, August 9th, September 13th, October 11th, November 8th, December 13th. Doors will open at 11:00am. This event is sponsored by Benevolent Friends Foundation, Deptford Township Mayor and Council and the Municipal Drug Alliance.

**SENIOR LUNCHEON** - Our Annual Senior Luncheon will be held at Auletto's on Monday, November 7, 2016. This event is sponsored by the Deptford Township Municipal Drug Alliance, Mayor and Council. Tickets are available at the Township Clerk's Office. Deptford Residents only. Live band will be the NY Troubedours

**SENIOR CHRISTMAS BUS LIGHT TOUR** - On Tuesday, December 13, 2016 buses will depart at 6:00pm from the Deptford Township Municipal Building. Light refreshments will be served immediately following. For more information or to reserve your seat contact the Manager's Office at (856)686-2220. We will tour Deptford Township to see all of the beautiful lights.

**SENIOR BUS SCHEDULE** – For more information, please call (856)228-4719.

Monday through Friday – Route 1: Runs to Acme, Shop Rite, Deptford Mall and the Dollar Store

Tuesday and Thursday – Route 2: Runs Twice a week to Shop Rite, Deptford Mall, and K-Mart.

**GALLERIA DEPTFORD** - Deptford Township has an Art Gallery and art work is on display throughout the Municipal Building. Galleria Deptford also features films and schedules trips throughout the year.

Check out our website for more information.

*If you are 55 or older and want to get involved check out the above events. Open to all Deptford seniors.* 





A good time to remember to check your smoke alarm and change batteries is when you change your clocks twice a year, as Daylight Savings Time begins and ends. That day falls on November 6, 2016 this Fall. Since most fatal fires occur at night, every home should be equipped with working smoke alarms to provide early warning.

Call the Deptford Township Fire Department at (856) 848-3098 for tips on smoke alarm placement and other fire safety concerns.



## Visible House Numbers are Important for Emergencies



### We are encouraging everyone to display their house number in a visible location. This is very important for all emergency services including ambulance, fire and police. Calls in the dark are especially a problem when minutes can count in life or death situations.

If the numbers on your home are not easy to find or read, it will take longer for crews to reach you.

## House numbers should meet the following requirements:

• Must be Arabic numerals. Fancy numbers or numbers that are spelled out may be aesthetically pleasing, but are very difficult to read from the street.

• Need to be a minimum of four inches high and in a reflective or contrasting color to their immediate background.

• Must be displayed on the front of the dwelling and visible from the street.

• If the dwelling is located more than 45 feet from the front lot line, the number should be displayed on a gate post, fence, mailbox, or other appropriate place at least 24 inches above ground level and within ten (10) feet of your drive-way opening.

• Cannot be obstructed by shrubs, trees, decorations, etc.

Take a moment to look at your house number. Make sure your numbers follow the above guidelines. It will help emergency crews find you easier and faster.

# **Deptford MUA**

Deptford MUA has completed a water main replacement and street paving project on Elgin and Dumont Streets this Summer. This is part of the MUA's continued practice approach to infrastructure repair and replacement. Recently completed projects were undertaken in Cooper Village and the Woodbury Gardens sections of town. In addition, the MUA is in the process of updating and modernizing our website. The new format will be more user-friendly and easier to navigate. The current website is still operational and contains a lot of useful information as well as the ability to pay your bill online. Please check our website for further details at www.deptfordmua.com.



Call before you dig.

## CALL EFORE YOU DIG!

Statistics indicate that damage from excavation related activities is a leading cause of pipeline accidents. If you are a homeowner, farmer, excavator, or developer, we need your help in preventing pipeline emergencies.

- I. Call your state's One-Call Center before excavation begins - regulatory mandate as state law requires.
- 2. Wait the required amount of time.

3.A trained technician will mark the location of the pipeline at no cost to you.

Respect the marks. Dig with care. For more details visit: www.call811.com

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## **REPORTING POWER OUTAGES**

## ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC

### Customers' Reports Are Vital to Restoration Efforts

Atlantic City Electric's outage management system analyzes your outage report, as well as other customers' reports, to predict what lines and equipment may be out of service. This analysis helps crews find the location of the outages and restore power more quickly and safely.

- Call 1-800-833-7476 any time to report your outage. Please request a call-back so they can verify if individual or small groups of outages still exist.
  - Website with information to report outages. http://www.atlanticcityelectric.com/my-home/report-an-outage-or-safety-hazard/

## PSE&G

### What to Do If You Lose Power

In the event of an outage, PSE&G's crews work around the clock to restore power to customers. Their first concern is always health and safety.

Crews work to restore power to the largest numbers of customers first, taking into account "priority" customers, such as hospitals, police stations, fire stations, water and sewer facilities, communications facilities (TV, radio, and telephone), and customers on life-sustaining medical equipment. At the same time, the utility restores power to homes and businesses, starting with the circuits serving the largest number of customers.

### Please report your outage to PSE&G immediately. You can report a power outage three different ways:

- Text "Out" to 4PSEG (47734) You must register your phone for MyAlerts first.
- Login to My Account from your smartphone, tablet or computer and "Report a Power Outage."
- Call 1-800-436-PSEG (7734).

## **Deptford's New Dog Park Opens**

Township Council opens Deptford's new Dog Park after years of resident's requests. The Dog Park is located on Deptford Avenue. Council is excited to be opening our very own Dog Park here in Deptford Township. Our resident's will now have a place close to home to take their dogs.

The park consists of a fenced dog run with two sections, one for small dogs and one for large dogs. The Dog Park will be open every day from dawn to dusk. You can meet other pet owners and your dog can make new friends. For residents it's a perfect place to exercise and just hang out with your best friend. It's another great addition to our Township's Park System.



Deptford Township proudly salutes all past and present military residents who have chosen to honor our country. Special thanks goes out to all armed forces personnel throughout the world.

## New Addition to Deptford Township Sports Organizations

Coming this summer of 2017 Deptford Township will begin our 1st Field Hockey Team. We are in the process of organizing a summer field hockey league and we're looking for participants, volunteers and coaches. The Township Recreation Department will help with the startup and fields. If you're interested please contact our Recreation Department at (856) 845-0804.

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## **Community Development**

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A complete list of applications is available online at www.deptford-nj.org located in the Construction sidebar, and then selecting Applications.

When applying for any type of housing inspection, keep in mind the following most common housing inspection violations.

- · Remove exterior or interior trash & debris from property.
- · Repair/replace sidewalk, walkway, steps or driveway to avoid tripping hazards.
- Remove high growth of grass and weeds.
- · Repair/replace exterior exhaust vent covers.
- · Accessory structure (i.e. garages, fences, walls, etc.) must be maintained structurally sound and in good repair.
- · Remove sources of standing water.
- · Swimming pool must be maintained in clean and sanitary condition and in good repair.
- Gates used for pool enclosure must be self-closing/self-latching and in good repair.
- · Motor vehicles may not be in a state of major disassembly or disrepair.
- · Exterior wood surfaces must be protected from the elements and free from decay.
- · Scrape and paint any peeling, chipping or flaking paint.
- Repair/replace missing or broken siding or shingles.
- · Scrape and reglaze windows.
- Repair broken window glass.
- · Scrape and paint any rusted or corroded metal surfaces.
- · Dwelling must have address numbers and unit identification numbers visible from street.
- Foundation walls must be plumb and free from open cracks and breaks.
- · Exterior walls shall be free from holes, loose or rotting materials.
- Structural members must be maintained free from deterioration.
- · Roofs and flashing must be free from defects.
- · Gutters and downspouts must be in good repair and free from obstructions.
- Steps, stairways, decks and balconies shall be maintained structurally sound and in good repair.
- Exterior and interior steps with three (3) or more risers require a graspable handrail.
- · Guard rails are required with a drop of 30 or more inches.
- · Chimneys must be maintained structurally sound and in good repair.
- · Windows must open easily and be held in open position by the window hardware.
- · Operable windows must have tight fitting screens free from holes.
- Exterior doors must be maintained in good condition and may not have key latch to exit dwelling.
- Interior surfaces must be free from defects including chipping flaking paint.
- · Doors must fit reasonably well within its frame, be free from defects and open and close easily.
- If evidence of insect or rodent infestation exists proof must be provided of proper extermination.
- · Bedrooms must have two (2) means of egress (i.e. 1 door & 1 window).
- · Bathrooms and toilet rooms must be equipped with at least one (1) window or an approved mechanical ventilation system discharged appropriately to the outdoors.
- · Clothes dryers must be exhausted appropriately to the outdoors.
- · Plumbing fixtures must be properly installed and maintained in a sanitary, working order and be free from defects.
- Water heaters must be properly installed and capable of providing an adequate amount of water at a temperature not less than 120°.
- Water heaters must have manufacturers approved discharge pipe between 2 6" from floor.
- Drainage of roofs and other drainage sources must not be discharged in a manner that creates a public nuisance or within 8' of a neighboring property.
- Heating supply must be properly installed and maintained in a safe working condition.
- All fuel burning appliances and equipment shall be clear of combustible material.
- All electrical equipment, appliances and wiring must be properly installed and maintained in a safe approved manner.
- Each level of a dwelling shall have an approved smoke detector mounted according to manufacturer's directions. In dwellings and units in which hard wired smoke alarms exist the system must remain hard wired.
- · An approved smoke alarm and carbon monoxide (CO) detector must be installed outside each bedroom area.
- · Work completed on/in dwelling without obtaining appropriate permits will require permits to be obtained and final inspections completed.
- Appliances must be plugged into grounded outlet.
- · GFCI outlets required by kitchen sink, utility sinks, bathrooms, sump pumps and exterior property.
- Fire extinguisher required no smaller than 2A10BC, mounted with original hardware within 10 ' of kitchen on a way to escape route not higher than 5 ' from floor must be visible, not blocked by furniture or door.
- · Range anti-tip bracket must be installed and range should not tilt forward.



#### **TOWNSHIP OF DEPTFORD**

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Phone: (856) 845-5300



## **MAYOR & COUNCIL**

Mayor Paul Medany

Deputy Mayor Tom Hufnell

**Councilman** Phil Schocklin

Councilman

Councilman Wayne Love

Councilman Bill Lamb

**Councilman** Ken Barnshaw

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# DEPTFORD TOWNSHIP



### The Deptford Free Public Library

670 Ward Drive, Deptford (856) 848-9149 Hours of Operation Monday - Thursday 10:00 am - 9:00 pm Friday - Saturday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm **Director - Susanne Sacchetti** 

### **Deptford Township MUA**

898 Cattell Road, Deptford (856) 415-1111 Hours of Operation Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Exec. Dir. - Robert Hatalovsky, Jr.

### **Deptford Township Public Works**

1702-1704 Hurffville Road., Deptford (856) 228-4719 Hours of Operation Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

#### **Board of Education**

2022 Good Intent Road, Deptford (856) 232-2700 Superintendent - Dr. Charles Ford, Jr. Business Admin. - Michael Griggel

#### Deptford Township Fire Department

1370 Delsea Drive, PO Box 5535, Deptford (856) 848-3098 Hours of Operation Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm **Chairman - Michael J. White** Board of Fire Commissioners www.deptfordfd.org

#### Deptford Township Police Department

1011 Cooper Street, Deptford (856) 845-2220 Chief of Police - William Hanstein

## Deptford Township EMS

Medical Transport Division 1011 Cooper Street, Deptford (856) 845-6473

### **Deptford Township Emergency**

Medical Services (856) 686-2234 Chief of EMS - Thomas Newman, Jr.

### MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENTS

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Township Clerk Dina Zawadski (856) 686-2203

Chief of Police William Hanstein ◊ (856) 845-6300

Director of Community Development Donald Banks (> (856) 686-2218

**Chief of EMS** Thomas Newman, Jr. ◊ (856) 686-2234

**Chief Financial Officer** Kimberly Bastien (2006) 686-2200

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**Construction Official** Christian Romano (> (856) 686-2223

**Recreation Director** Charlie Kirchner (2) (856) 845-0804

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