

Eastampton Township News

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Eastampton Township News is generally published on a monthly basis to provide residents with pertinent information and reminders related to Eastampton Township and the surrounding area. The Township views this as another important means of keeping residents informed about our community.

- 1. **Eastampton "Fun Day" Will Be Held on** *Saturday, September 19* at **Buttonwood Park from 12pm 4:30pm**. Come out and enjoy a great day of rides, games, food and entertainment for the entire community. This event is made possible through the generous contributions of many area businesses. Contact (609) 267-5723, ext. 200 to learn how to get your organization involved with this annual event.
- 2. Eastampton Fire-Rescue Department Hosts "Meet the Department" Event on *Monday*, *September 7* (Labor Day). Residents are encouraged to stop by the Eastampton Emergency Squad Station, located at 1280 Woodlane Road, from 11am to 1pm to meet the volunteers that serve the Eastampton community and get a hands-on tour of the fire trucks, emergency equipment and apparatus. Contact (609) 267-5224 for more information.
- 3. Township Celebrates Opening of New Cliver Park Playground with Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony. Mayor Anthony Zeno, Deputy Mayor Robert Apgar and Council Members John Adams and Jay Springer joined Burlington County Freeholder Deputy Director Bruce Garganio to cut the ribbon officially opening the new Cliver Park playground. Area children, local neighbors,

Township Engineer Stacey Arcari, Police Lieutenant Joseph Iacovitti, Public Works Director William Angelaccio, Township Manager Eric Schubiger and several members of the Township's Police and Public Works Departments also participated in the ceremonial opening of the Township's new addition to the popular park, which also includes tennis courts, a basketball court, softball field and soccer fields. The new playground is just part of several planned upgrades for Cliver Park, which include a pathway, parking lot improvements, various park amenities and the refurbishment of the basketball court. The playground project was funded by a 2014 Burlington County Parks Development Grant secured by Eastampton Mayor and Council.



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4. Township Celebrates Opening of "O'Connor's Bar and Grill" with Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony. The Township held a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Sunday, August 16 for the grand opening of the new "O'Connor's American Bar and Grill" (formerly Charley's Other Brother), located at 1383 Monmouth Road. Eastampton Township Mayor Anthony Zeno and Members of Township Council, joined by restaurant co-owners Pat O'Connor and Patrick O'Connor, Jr. and members of the restaurant staff, participated in the ceremony. The new restaurant has undergone a major renovation which includes a new bar area with large screen televisions and they have plans to refurbish their banquet facility. Their expansive menu includes appetizers, soups, salads, sandwiches, burgers, pasta, seafood and chicken dishes, steaks, a kid's menu and an assortment of desserts. The restaurant also boasts 36 beers on tap and an array of wine selections. O'Connor's American Bar and Grill officially opened on Monday, August 17 with hours of operation from 11 a.m. to 1 a.m daily. For more information, contact the restaurant at (609) 261-1555.



Mayor Anthony Zeno and Members of Township Council cut the ribbon for the grand opening of O'Connor's American Bar and Grill. Pictured from left to right are: Police Lieutenant Joseph Iacovitti; Council Member Matthew Edson; O'Connor's Co-Owner Patrick O'Connor Jr.; O'Connor's Co-Owner Pat O'Connor; Mayor Anthony Zeno; Deputy Mayor Robert Apgar, and Council Member Jay Springer, and Police Sergeant Dan Snyder.

5. Township Appoints New Special Officer and Patrol Officer and **Promotes a Patrol Officer to Sergeant.** Township Mayor Anthony Zeno administered the oath of office to Special Officer Class II Glenn Pease, Patrol Officer Stewart Casey Horton and Sergeant Dennis Shepard. Glenn Pease is a Police Officer with the Burlington County Sheriff's Department and will provide additional part time traffic safety patrols for the police department. Stewart Casey Horton was formerly a Police Officer for the North Hanover Police Department and will serve as a full time Police Officer for the police department. Dennis Shepard has served the Eastampton Township Police Department as a Patrol Officer since 2005 and will now serve the department in his new role of Sergeant. All three appointments fill vacancies which were created through promotions and retirements. The mission of the Eastampton Police Department is to maintain the safety, well-being, and quality of life of the residents and visitors to Eastampton Township. The department remains committed to staying at the leading edge of law enforcement principles and practices. For further information, please contact (609) 267-5723, ext. 201 or visit www.eastampton.com.



Mayor Anthony Zeno administered the oath of office to Special Officer Class II Glenn Pease. Pictured from left to right are: Council Member Jay Springer; Police Chief Chris Muraglia; Mayor Anthony Zeno; Special Officer Class II Glenn Pease and his wife Jenna; Deputy Mayor Robert Apgar, and Council Member Matthew Edson.



Mayor Anthony Zeno administered the oath of office to Patrol Officer Stewart Casey Horton. Pictured from left to right are: Council Member Jay Springer; Police Chief Chris Muraglia; Mayor Anthony Zeno; Patrol Officer Stewart Casey Horton and his wife Samantha; Deputy Mayor Robert Appar, and Council Member Matthew Edson.



Mayor Anthony Zeno administered the oath of office to Sergeant Dennis Shepard. Pictured from left to right are: Council Member Jay Springer; Police Chief Chris Muraglia; Mayor Anthony Zeno; Sergeant Dennis Shepard, his son Kaleb and girlfriend Kirsten West; Deputy Mayor Robert Apgar, and Council Member Matthew Edson.

6. Township Recognizes Eagle Scout William Thompson. Mayor Anthony Zeno and Township Council recognized Eastampton resident William Thompson of the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 36, who progressed through the ranks of Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts and has attained the designation of "Eagle Scout," scouting's highest award. To achieve the rank of Eagle Scout, a scout must have a minimum of twenty two months tenure, have earned at least seven skill awards, logged a minimum of eighteen hours community service time, served at least sixteen months as a troop leader in three of eleven leadership positions, and have amassed at least twenty-one merit badges (eleven of which are required by the Boy Scouts of America National Committee). William Thompson's Eagle Scout project involved the organization, planning and solicitation of materials and dozens of volunteers to coordinate the construction of a storage shed for the Cliver Park softball field which can now be utilized and enjoyed by all sports teams who utilize this ball field. Before receiving final approval for the rank of Eagle Scout, a scout's achievements must be reviewed and approved by the Board of Review with the Council District Advancement Chairman and if approved by said Board, then all paperwork is sent to the National Headquarters in Texas for approval. All of these requirements must be completed prior to a scout's 18th birthday.



Mayor Anthony Zeno and Members of Township Council presented a proclamation to Eagle Scout William Thompson. Pictured from left to right are: Council Member Jay Springer; Mayor Anthony Zeno; William Thompson; Deputy Mayor Robert Apgar, and Council Member Matthew Edson.

- 7. **Dog Licensing Reminder.** Residents are reminded that all dogs over 6 months of age, residing in the Township, are to be licensed each year. Dog licenses are valid for the current calendar year and expire yearly on December 31. A dog census will soon begin which involves the canvassing of residences within the Township to inspect for valid licenses. Animal Control personnel will be required to inspect current licenses for all dogs residing at your residence. Licensing information may be obtained in person at the Manor House or by calling (609) 267-5723, ext. 200.
- 8. Crack Sealing Repairs Conducted on Several Roads Throughout the Township. The repair work was conducted on Ariel Drive, from Smithville Road to Rochelle Drive, on Linden Tree Lane, from Smithville Road to Willowbrook Way, on Woodcrest Drive, from Powell Road to Willowbrook Way and on a section of Willowbrook Way near the intersection of Manor House Drive. The work was performed by low bidder R.D. Zeuli, Inc. of West Berlin through a shared services agreement with Burlington County. The Township also recently approved a long range road improvement program developed by Township Engineer Environmental Resolutions, Inc. and will be phasing in various road improvements over the next several years.
- 9. Burlington County Shredding and Recycling Event Will Be Held on Saturday, September 27, from 9 am to 1 pm, rain or shine, at the Burlington County Resource Recovery (Landfill) Complex, located at 22000 Burlington-Columbus Road in Florence Township. Residents can shred confidential documents such as bank and credit card statements, tax returns, and papers with account numbers and social security numbers. Circulars, catalogs and magazines will not be accepted. Residents can recycle computers, televisions, laptops,

monitors, computer keyboards, printers, desktop copiers, DVD players, scanners, cell phones, game consoles, rechargeable batteries, microwaves, stereos, vacuum cleaners and toasters. Officials will unload your car! Proof of Burlington County residency required. For further information, visit Burlington County Recycling website at http://co.burlington.nj.us/345/Recycling or call (609) 499-1001.

- 10. **Recreation Department Offers After School Theater Arts Program.**Through visual arts, movement, and other creative drama warm-ups and games, young actors will be encouraged to bring a story to life. A different book will be read each class and students will enact that story both physically and vocally, focusing on the actions, emotions, voices, and sounds of the story. On the last class, family members are invited to a "sharing" of the students' favorite story. The program is coordinated by Youth Stages of Princeton. The program will be offered to students in **Grades K-2 on Tuesdays from 6:30pm to 7:30pm** at the Community School beginning on October 20. Contact (609) 267-5723, ext. 200 for more details or a registration form.
- 11. **Recreation Department Offers After School "Mad Science" Program.** Students will engage in exciting and interactive activities as they learn about detective science, kitchen chemistry, science of toys, bugs, mad science machines, movie effects, walloping weather and earthworks. The program is coordinated by Mad Science of West Jersey. The program will be offered to students in **Grades K-4 on Mondays from 6:30pm to 7:30pm** at the Community School beginning on October 19. Contact Mad Science directly at (609) 737-0313 or visit their web site at http://wnj.madscience.org for more details and registration information.
- 12. **Register to Receive All Eastampton Township Announcements.** The Township will continue to notify residents of pertinent information through our website, Facebook page and email notification system. To register for the email notification system, "control and click" on the link below: http://www.eastampton.com/content/85/87.aspx