

JULY 2022



The News

Gloucester City News

FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Dayl Baile



Mayor and Council would like to thank everyone who helped make our Independence Day celebration a wonderful event!

It was the first time having the fireworks at Proprietor's Park (over the water) and it worked out fantastic. The waterfront provided a great venue for this event. We look forward to this event getting bigger and better next year.

Coming soon:
Gloucester City was awarded a Community Capital Needs grant from NJDCA for an all-inclusive playground at Proprietor's Park. We also received funds from the County Commissioner's Open Space Recreational grant for this project. This will be a nice addition to our Gloucester City Parks. Thanks to the help of our state and county representatives for making this new recreation area possible.

The Celebrations Committee is working hard to plan our next event on October 8 at Proprietor's Park. Pack The Park will feature food trucks, car show, music, arts festival, and more. I'm looking forward to the return of this event.

Freedom Pier development has moved forward with the planning board approving it under our city master plan and phase 1 approved from the New Jersey Historic Preservation office. We are very optimistic about the forward motion of this project.

Dayl Baile
Mayor, Gloucester City

2022 Gloucester City Summer Concert Series
June 17 at 7:42 PM



IN THE NEWS

by Derek Timm

The Summer Concerts kicked off with our favorite: Jem and the Vibe on June 14. Join us for upcoming concerts as part of the 2022 Summer Concert Series. The NPP Irishtown sponsored a back drop to assist with sun glare to the viewers and the musicians this year.

And while you are in the park, notice our new trash receptacles along the drive, and the banners on the light poles along King Street. NPP projects are happening. Next we will be installing electrical upgrades in the park, and painting the light poles.

The City has negotiated a new contract with Seaside Waste Services for trash/recycle collection. The new contract has specific language to better manage the pickup. Any questions, contact the Dept. of Public Works.



2022 SUMMER CONCERT SERIES
ALL CONCERTS ARE FREE

ALL SHOWS: 7-9 pm at Proprietors Park Gloucester City NJ Powell and King St.

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| JUNE 14 | JEM AND THE VIBE OPENING ACT: MATT PORTELLA |
| JUNE 28 | SWING THAT CAT OPENING ACT: DAVE BAKEY |
| JULY 12 | SKIP DENENBERG and DON VAN WINKLE OPENING ACT: KEVIN BECKETT |
| JULY 26 | STONE MOUNTAIN ROAD OPENING ACT: MICHAEL TEARSON & BILL FERGUSON |
| AUG 9 | ROGERS & BUTLER OPENING ACT: JUSTIN THE PERFORMER & GREG |
| AUG 23 | BILLY WALTON & FRIENDS OPENING ACT: LOST ART WITH SUE & AL PEPIAK |

Hosted by Michael Tearson. Sound provided by Dragonfly Sound.





GREENER GLOUCESTER

Green Team Coordinator
Lori Ryan



The Green Team has received a generous donation to our Beautification Committee. The community garden will be improved, we will be holding rain barrel classes, add fall tree plantings, and we received a grant for technical assistance with the BPU for the development of an energy master plan.



The Greener Gloucester Team meets virtually the first Thursday of each month. We welcome new team members. Please join us.

<https://www.cityofgloucester.org/home/events/22066>

GLOUCESTER-TOWN CORNER

Gloucester City Historical Society- Patrick Ward

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A Swedish map from Johan Campanius Holm -1601-1683 (Engraver) shows the Delaware River and Creeks. Holm was present around the Delaware River from 1642 to 1648. Holm was the first person known to have taken systematic weather observations in the American Colonies. He is considered by some to be the first weatherman in America because he kept a daily record of the weather at New Sweden.

To see the actual artifacts about this article, click below:

<https://www.smore.com/dyjr-q-gloucester-city-400>

Gloucester City Historical Society
34 N. King Street - Gloucester City, NJ 08030
www.gloucestercityhistoricalsociety.org



Mayor and Council are now on Facebook. Follow our page for news and events -
<https://www.facebook.com/gloucestercitynjmayorandcouncil/>

COMING SOON






NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION PROGRAM

FOR MORE INFORMATION,
CITYOFGLoucester.org/IRISHTOWN
NPP COORDINATOR, LORI RYAN
lryan@cityofgloucester.org

Thanks to the Community Capital Needs Grant of the NJ DCA and Neighborhood Preservation Program


Upcoming Events

- August 2 - National Night Out - Proprietor's Park
- October 1 - Community Clean Up Day and Shred Event
- October 8 - PACK THE PARK, Proprietor's Park

Gloucester City received \$247,000 for an inclusive playground along from the NJ DCA and the NPP program. Together with a \$25,000 grant from Camden County Open Space, Proprietor's Park will be built accessible to all children.

Gloucester City received \$10,000 for an Energy Technical Assistance Grant through Sustainable Jersey. This will allow us to prepare an energy audit resulting in a five-year energy plan.

And progress is being made on our Community Block Development Grant funding for COVID. These funds will provide for installation of video equipment in the courtroom, with monitors in senior buildings to improve communications with our senior population.



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
*** 2022 ***
POLICE • COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

**GLOUCESTER CITY POLICE
DEPARTMENT & PBA LOCAL #40**

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Tuesday August 2 6-9pm

Join GCPD & PBA Local #40 for a night out.
Activities include a dunk tank with surprise guests, bounce house, and circus performers. Lets not forget the popcorn, pretzels, water ice and snacks. FREE bike raffle entry for everyone.

ALL AGES WELCOME!

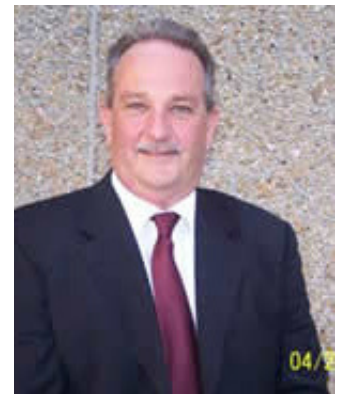
**PROPRIETORS PARK
KING STREET & POWELL STREET**

Photo Credit: Carol McGinn

GET TO KNOW US

Councilman John Hutchinson, At Large Council

1. How long have you lived in Gloucester City? 67 years
2. How long have you been a Councilman? 15 years
3. Your favorite place in Gloucester City? my home
4. Fondest memory of Gloucester City? Service in the Police Department.
5. Favorite Ice Cream Flavor? Vanilla
6. Favorite hobby? Golf
7. Favorite musical artist or group? Motown
8. Favorite Restaurant? Holy City Publick House
9. Favorite Sport? Football
10. Favorite Politician of all time? Congressman Robert Andrews



EMPLOYEE HIGHLIGHT

Alex Tedesco - Superintendent of Department of Public Works

Public Works is a crucial part of the local government touching almost every part of the community's daily life. They are the department responsible for the general maintenance and repair of all local public streets, signage, property maintenance of public buildings, trash and recycling, organic debris pickup, playgrounds/parks and other facilities of public trust, snow removal, storm cleanup, and landscaping. Gloucester City is in good hands having such a talented and trusted Superintendent of Public Works with Alex Tedesco at the helm.

Alex has worked for Gloucester City for 25 years and oversees a staff of 17 employees. His leadership has consistently provided the city above and beyond service levels even during the worst of storms along with any other problem or issue that comes his department's way. They are providing the Public 'Good' Works.

CLEAN OUT YOUR MEDICINE CABINET!



The Camden County Board of Freeholders' Addiction Awareness Task Force aims to provide a safe, convenient, and responsible means of disposing of prescription drugs. No longer needed or outdated prescription drugs in homes are the same drugs that have unfortunately become the target of theft and misuse, oftentimes by people who have access to the residence. America's 12 to 17 year olds have made prescription drugs the number one substance of abuse for their age group, and much of that supply is coming from the medicine cabinets of their parents, grandparents, and friends. Help us end medicine abuse by disposing of unneeded prescription drugs at a drug drop box near you.

Find a drop box or learn more about the Addiction Awareness Task Force at addictions.camdencounty.com

Drop off in Gloucester City in the Police Station lobby, 313 Monmouth Street

LIBRARY NEWS

The Gloucester City Library has a subscription to World Book Online! This means all library card holders have FREE access from home or on the go with any internet-connected device. With World Book Online, users of all ages and reading levels can research homework assignments, read stories, articles, books, and current events. Students can practice basic skills, explore pictures and videos, and play educational games. To access, simply log in with your library card number and choose your grade level or area of interest. gloucestercitylibrary.org/



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