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GREETINGS FROM WOODBRIDGE: THE BEST TOWN AROUND

The Woodbridge E-News is your direct link to all of the news, events, programs and happenings in Woodbridge Township, Middlesex County, New Jersey. It is the community spirit of our Ten Towns that stand as the Heart-and-Soul of our Township – outstanding and dependable public services, neighbor helping neighbor and volunteers who work behind the scenes to keep the Woodbridge Quality-of-Life the best in the state. And, just around the corner is another year of spectacular Township events! Experience top-name entertainment appearing at The Avenel Performing Arts Center (APAC). Plan to shop the very best Buy Local stores and merchants... and, grab a bite to eat at any of our fantastic restaurants, delis, & pizzerias!!! Explore the Barron Arts Center. Get into Wellness and work-out at the Woodbridge Community Center (WCC) & The Club at Woodbridge. And, there is much, much more to come!!!

Visit us at: www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us for everything Woodbridge!!!

See You Around Town...
Mayor John E. McCormac

HAVE-A-HEART FOOD DRIVE CHALLENGE: NOT TOO LATE TO DONATE!!!

Take the "214" Challenge



We Feed Woodbridge and the Woodbridge Township Food Pantries Need Your Help!!!
2020~Have-A-Heart' Food Drive Challenge-2020
January 1 - February 14, 2020

Woodbridge Township Corporate Offices, Buy Local Businesses and Businesspersons, Food Service and Hospitality Representatives,
 Residents and Neighbors are Invited to Donate 214 Pounds of Food or \$214.00

The 'Have-A-Heart' Food Drive Challenge is coordinated by Peter Barcellona, Chairman, 'We Feed Woodbridge' Food Bank Committee
 To Donate: Contact Peter at 732-855-0600 x5034 or E-mail: peter.barcellona@twp.woodbridge.nj.us

Tell us where and when to pick up a donation - 214 pounds of food or \$214.00 - and our volunteers will come directly to your location... it's that easy! Or, deliver 214 pounds of non-perishable food items to the following locations: Woodbridge Township Public Health Center, 2 George Frederick Plaza, Woodbridge Community Center, 600 Main Street; or Town Hall Municipal Building, 1 Main Street. Financial contributions (payable to 'We Feed Woodbridge') can be dropped off at the Health Center or mailed directly to the Woodbridge Department of Health & Human Services, c/o We Feed Woodbridge, 2 George Frederick Plaza, Woodbridge, NJ 07095 or to the Office of Mayor, Municipal Building, 3rd Floor, Woodbridge, NJ 07095.

THANK YOU SPONSORS:



John E. McCormac, Mayor

Dennis Green, Health Director

The **Have-A-Heart Food Drive Challenge** is underway!!! We're asking Township corporate offices, Buy Local businesses, retail and food service outlets, the hospitality industry, schools, students and residents to donate 214 pounds of food or \$214.00 to assist our food pantries continue their work providing food to less fortunate neighbors and residents. The Have-A-Heart Food Drive Challenge ends on Valentine's Day – Fri., Feb. 14, 2020 (hence the 2/14 challenge.)



The Have-A-Heart Food Drive Challenge is coordinated by Peter Barcellona, Chairman, of the We Feed Woodbridge Food Bank Committee. All you need to do is give Peter a call at 732-855-0600 x5034 (or email at: peter.barcellona@twp.woodbridge.nj.us) and tell him where and when to pick up a donation – 214 pounds of food or \$214.00 - and our volunteers will come directly to your location... it's that easy! Or, you can deliver 214 pounds of non-perishable food items to the following locations: Woodbridge Township Health Center, 2 George Frederick Plaza, Woodbridge Community Center, 600 Main Street or Town Hall Municipal Building, 1 Main Street. Financial contributions (payable to We Feed Woodbridge) can be dropped-off at the Health Center or mailed directly to the Woodbridge Department of Health & Human Services, c/o We Feed Woodbridge, 2 George Frederick Plaza, Woodbridge, NJ 07095 or to the Office of Mayor, Municipal Building, 3rd Floor, Woodbridge, NJ 07095. Don't delay!!! We need your help now!



AVENEL PERFORMING ARTS CENTER



The Avenel Performing Arts Center (APAC) - the region's newest performing arts center offering top-name theatre, stage productions and special performances – is welcoming theatre-goers with the very best entertainment venue in Central Jersey. The APAC is a multi-disciplinary performing arts center located in Avenel (Woodbridge Township). Managed by the Woodbridge Arts Alliance (WAA), the APAC has energized Avenel

and surrounding communities by programming exceptional, professional theatre, music, comedy, dance and more. The APAC features seating for 200 patrons, a separate performance room and pre-function lobby area that opens to exterior space for larger gatherings and events. APAC also features Curtains Restaurant – a stand-alone dining destination available for catered pre-performance and special events.



APAC has been nominated for the Discover Jersey Arts People's Choice Award for Small Performing Arts Center category (fewer than 1000 seats). Show your support for the APAC... Visit: JerseyArts.com/vote and vote for the APAC!!!



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150 Avenel Street,
Avenel, NJ 07001

TO PURCHASE TICKETS

Online: www.AvenelArts.com | Phone: (732)314-0500 | In Person: 150 Avenel Street, Avenel, NJ 07001
Box Office Hours: Tuesday-Saturday 12pm-5pm and two hours prior to performances
For Groups of 10 or more: Gather your friends and family and receive 15% off your order. Please call the Box Office to order your tickets.

PARKING

Complimentary Valet Parking is Available
Free Self-Parking is also available at The Performing Arts Center, 105 Avenel Street and 181 Avenel Street.



**Join us for Pre-Show Dinner or Post-Show Drinks!
Also Open When There Isn't a Show!**

Visit our new website- www.curtainsrestaurant.com!

Curtains Bar and Restaurant serves an expansive menu featuring bar apps, salads, burgers, pasta and seafood alongside a full-service bar with a seasonal cocktail menu and weekly specials. On select nights, the restaurant offers live entertainment in the dining area with a wide variety of talented singers and musicians who will enhance your dining experience. As a partner of the theatre, we frequently offer specialty cocktails and prix fixe menus that fit the theme of the show that is currently happening on the stage. Keep an eye out!

Hours: Open 6 Days a Week
Tuesday-Thursday: 3pm-11pm
Friday-Saturday: 3pm-12am
Sunday: 3pm-11pm

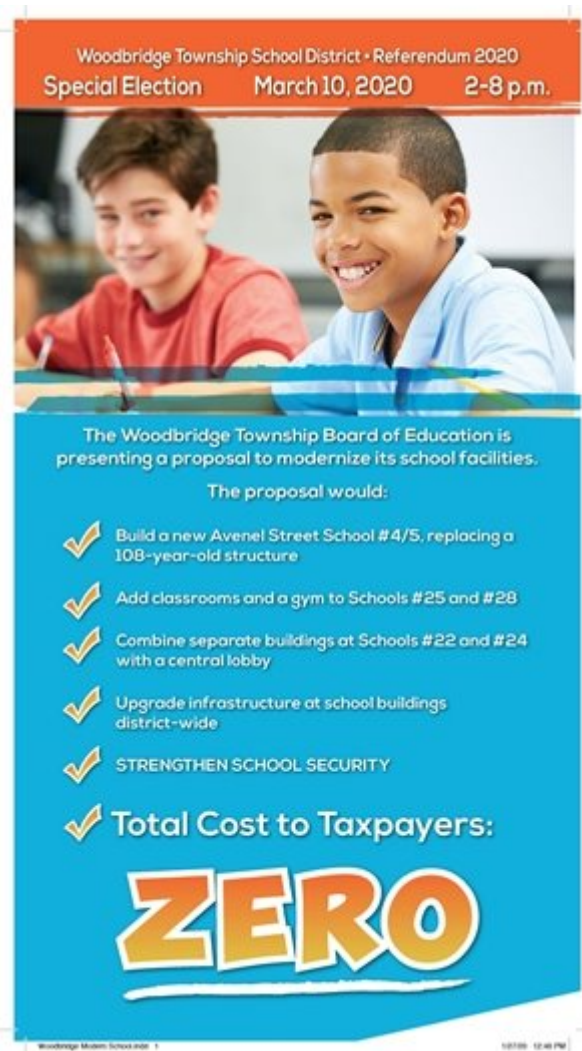
Call: (732) 582-4595 to Make a Reservation



**NOW SHOWING AT APAC:
ERICH BERGEN LIVE IN CONCERT
SHOW TIMES:
SAT., FEB. 15 @ 8:00 PM
SUN., FEB. 16 @ 3:00 PM**

**TICKETS: VISIT THE APAC
AT: boxoffice@avenelarts.com or call 732-314-0500**

**WOODBRIIDGE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
REFERENDUM: TUES., MARCH 10, 2020
Zero Cost To Taxpayer**



The Woodbridge Township Board of Education and School District Administration are presenting a proposal that will modernize school facilities and strengthen school security. The proposal would:

- Build a new Avenel Street School #4/5, replacing the 108-year-old school building on Avenel Street 0 the oldest school building in the District;
- Add classrooms and gym facilities to Lafayette Estates School #25 and Matthew Jago School #28;
- Upgrade infrastructure and technology and strengthen school security in every school building;
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The Special Election Referendum is scheduled for Tues., March 10, 2020. Polls Open from 2:00 to 8:00 PM. For more information visit the Woodbridge Township School District web page at: www.woodbridge.k12.nj.us

CENSUS 2020: #BeCountedInTheBestTownAround

United States® Census 2020

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Mayor John E. McCormac
Woodbridge Township

April 1, 2020 is Census Day

- ⇒ The goal of the Census is to count everyone once, only once, and in the right place according to where they live on Census day.
- ⇒ Every 10 years the Census counts every person living in the U.S. This data is used to determine how many representatives each state gets in Congress.
- ⇒ \$675 Billion of federal funding will be distributed throughout states based on Census data. This funding goes towards schools, roads, public works, emergency services, and other vital programs.
- ⇒ Census responses are safe & secure—no personal information can be shared, everything is confidential.



#BeCountedInTheBestTownAround



- ⇒ On April 1, 2020, the U.S. Census 2020 Survey will become available and can be responded to anytime & anywhere.
- ⇒ Every household will have the option to respond online by mail, or by phone.
- ⇒ Nonresponses are followed up by an in-person visit from a U.S. Census worker.
- ⇒ Census Results are public data & presented to the President by December 31, 2020. Release counts for restricting by April 1, 2021.

KNOW BEFORE GO!!! DOWNLOAD THE WOODBRIDGE NOW APP



Shopping this weekend!!! Download the Woodbridge NOW APP for all of the best deals, rewards & specials!! The Woodbridge NOW APP Is FREE!!! And, it's the best source for what's happening in Woodbridge. Stay connected with just one touch. Visit www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us.



J.J. BITTINGS CHILI COOK-OFF RETURNS ON SUN., MARCH 1



The 13th Annual Woodbridge Township Charity Chili Cook-off 'heats-up' on Sun., March 1, 2020 at J.J. Bitting Brewing Co., 33 Main Street, in Downtown Woodbridge. Noon - 2:00 PM. Think your chili recipe is the best in Woodbridge? Enter your chili in the cook-off for an afternoon of fun, friendly competition and the chance to win a cash prize! Applications can be picked up at J.J. Bitting Brewing Co., Woodbridge Community Center and Town Hall. Don't have a chili recipe? No problem! Come spend the afternoon sampling the best chili and local brew Woodbridge has to offer! Contact

Eileen Caggiano at: (732) 596-4047 or e-mail: eileen.caggiano@twp.woodebridge.nj.us or visit www.njbrewpubs.com. The Heat is on Us!!!! All proceeds donated to a Woodbridge Charitable Cause.

ATTENTION SENIOR'S – NEED HELP WITH 2019 TAX FORMS



The Woodbridge Township Division of Multi-Service on Aging and AARP will provide "FREE" assistance to prepare 2019 Income & Property Tax Relief Forms. Help with Income Tax preparation is now available through April 8 (Monday and Wednesday appointments only). Property Tax Relief preparation will be available until the deadline date designated by the State. Income and Property Tax assistance will take place at the Woodbridge Health Center (back of Woodbridge Main Library), 2 George Frederick Plaza/Rt. 35 Amboy Ave in Woodbridge. APPOINTMENT REQUIRED. Please call

732-726-6262 to schedule your appointment. File & Feed!!! In exchange for our services, we ask that you bring a non-perishable food item to help stock the Woodbridge food pantries. Check the Woodbridge Township web page at: www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us for additional information on the tax preparation assistance program.

EXPLORE A NEW HEALTH & WELLNESS MEMBERSHIP AT THE WCC

Now is the time to explore a Family Health & Wellness Membership at the WCC... Join in January and we'll waive the Membership Joiner Fee and offer a FREE WCC gift with your new membership!!! We're betting that you'll discover that the WCC is the perfect place for family fun, fitness and connection.





DID YOU KNOW??? The WCC is at the leading edge of what's hot in the health, wellness and fitness industry!!! WCC members are going strong and getting in shape with the popular LesMills Group Effect exercise classes and personal training program. The WCC also offers a full aquatics program with swim lessons for all ages, a competitive swim team, roller and ice skating lessons, ice hockey, open skate sessions, weight and

aerobic center, personal training & fitness programs, a full-court gymnasium, basketball court, indoor track, and so much more. Perfect your swing – baseball or softball - at the 3-cage batting center. And, after taking batting practice, tee-off at SkyLine Mini-Golf... the best and most challenging mini-golf course in Central Jersey.

The WCC hosts Corporate/Office outings and Birthday, Anniversary, Project Graduation, or any party for that special occasion. Your special event party comes with the full-service, in-house WCC Café and catering. Contact our Membership Services Coordinator at 732-596-4196. Visit our webpage at: www.njwcc.com. See us on Facebook. Or stop-by the WCC at 600 Main Street, Woodbridge. You'll be glad you did!!!

WCC SPECIAL FREE EVENT: SAT., FEB. 8... HEART THROB WORKOUT.

HEART THROB WORKOUT

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 8TH
NATIONAL WEAR RED DAY

Featuring the following Les Mills Classes:

- Body Flow: 9:00am - 9:45am
- Body Pump: 10:00am - 10:45am
- Body Combat: 11:00am - 11:45am

Admission:
 Have-A-Heart Food Drive
 Please donate a non-perishable food item to support the Woodbridge Township Food Pantries.
 Must be 13 yrs or older to participate.
 Members & Non-Members are Welcome!

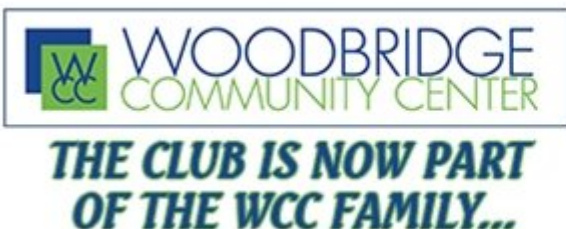
Woodbridge Community Center
www.njwcc.com
 600 Main St. Woodbridge, NJ 07095

Logos for American Heart Association, Go Red, and Woodbridge Community Center are also present.





It's All Happening at The Club



The Club at Woodbridge is now part of the Woodbridge Township Recreation Family – and we're offering an incredible menu of health, wellness, fitness and entertainment programs, events and happenings to members and guests!!! The Club is the perfect complement to the Woodbridge Community Center (WCC) right across Main Street. Both facilities have a pool, running track, cardio rooms, weight rooms, concession areas and child care functions. Both run

summer camps for kids and personal training and other amenities. The Club has racquetball and badminton, while the WCC has a hockey rink, roller rink, mini-golf course and batting cages. Explore all The Club has to offer at: www.theclub.org.

NEW AT THE CLUB... THE GOLF DEN

The Club at Woodbridge just announced The Golf Den - an exciting new amenity to their wellness, fitness, sport and recreational facility. The Golf Den's private Club House features widescreen PGA TOUR Golf Simulators that tee-off from 50 of the PGA's most challenging – and famous – golf courses.



The Golf Den offers golfers the perfect blend of entertainment and performance options allowing clients to enjoy a round of golf with friends or use the simulators for focused practice and game improvement or competitive league play. With the use of 3Trak revolutionary ball-tracking technology used in the PGA TOUR Simulator, The Golf Den's virtual indoor golf experience is something entirely new and truly unique to Central New Jersey.

The Golf Den is a 7-day a week, year-round, indoor virtual golf & practice center... bring your clubs and your best game for the most amazing virtual golf experience!!!



WB EVENTS & HAPPENINGS



SAT., FEB. 8

St. James Church Blood Drive. Give the Gift of Life. 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM



SAT., FEB. 8

Team LeGrand Presents: Comedy Club at the APAC. Headliner: Tracy Locke. All proceeds benefit Team LeGrand Christopher and Dan a Reeve Foundation..



SUN., FEB. 9

Colonia Corner Newspaper & Colonia Fire Department Present: Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser to help the DeMichele Family.

On May 23, 2019 Dan, an employee of Woodbridge Township, was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer that has now metastasized to the liver. Dan and his wife, Megan have two small children, Nathan, 4, and George, 6 months. Due to his condition, Dan is now unable to work. All proceeds from the dinner will go to help the family come take and expenses during this difficult time. If you can not attend the event and would like to make a donation to the family please make a check out to: Colonia Corner Charities, PO Box # 245, Colonia NJ 07067. For more information or to donate a hotel please contact: Carolannette Dinkler, Manager at 732-862-8273 or Amanda at The Club at Woodbridge at 732-614-9080. Thank you for helping to help this young family.

SCHOOL NEWS & EVENTS

There are many events, programs and happenings every day that focus on our schools, students and extra-curricular activities. The WB E-News encourages residents, parents, students and visitors to support the various school-related activities - without community sponsorship, many of the student programs, events and activities would not be able to take place. Plan to attend.



SAT., FEB. 8


Colonia Middle School 4th Annual Indoor Carnival. 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM.




About the Woodbridge E-News

The Woodbridge E-News is your direct link to all of the news, events, programs and happenings in Woodbridge Township, Middlesex County, New Jersey. You are receiving the Woodbridge E-News because you previously communicated with us via E-Mail or you signed-up for our entertainment news, registered to become a member of the Woodbridge Green Team or Greenable Woodbridge, provided your e-mail address to us after attending a public meeting, forum or event, or simply requested information about Woodbridge Township government, resident services and programs. We want to continue to send you periodic updates, so please take a moment to confirm your continued interest in receiving the Woodbridge E-News. [CLICK HERE](#) to keep receiving future editions of the Woodbridge E-News. Thank you!

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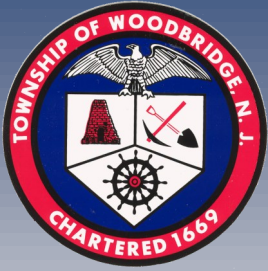
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When and How Woodbridge Will Be Invited to Participate

On or between	You'll receive:
March 12-20	An invitation to respond online to the 2020 Census. (Some households will also receive paper questionnaires.)
March 16-24	A reminder letter.
	If you haven't responded yet:
March 26-April 3	A reminder postcard.
April 8-16	A reminder letter and paper questionnaire.
April 20-27	A final reminder postcard before we follow up in person.

Every household will have the option of responding online, by phone, or by mail.

Every household that hasn't already responded will receive reminders and a paper questionnaire.



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