

# Bloomfield BUZZ



July-December 2017

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## Lionsgate site design goes to NJ EPA for approval Permitting process has begun

A conceptual plan for Bloomfield's Lionsgate Park was unveiled in June and the application to proceed will be submitted to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection in the coming weeks. Already, more than 50 percent of the \$9 million funding goal has been committed from state sources.

The acclaimed 18.5-acre reclamation project involves a "brownfield-to-greenfield" conversion of two flood-prone former factory sites that straddle the Third River and Spring Brook. Tens of thousands of cubic yards of historic debris and fill material will be excavated, to be replaced by freshwater wetland and flood storage area. The natural habitat will be restored and the public will enjoy a new park.

Bloomfield Mayor Michael Venezia cited multiple project benefits:

- Significant acreage will be created for wetlands and riverfront habitat.
- Downstream homes and

businesses that have flooded for years will see a lessening of flood risk, possibly slowing the increase of flood insurance premiums.

- Walking paths and passive recreation will be integrated into the public park.

- A daylight flex turf soccer field will address a shortage of Township soccer facilities.

In 2015, Bloomfield received the Governor's Environmental Excellence Award for the Lionsgate proposal. The award brought commitments of nearly \$5 million in state funds to carry out the project — more than half of the estimated \$9 million goal for grant funding. "That's our goal and hopefully even more," said Venezia. "We are very excited about the interest generated by state and federal



officials."

Because of its broad government approval, the development will become an important site for environmental study, since few sizable examples of brownfield-to-greenfield conversion exist in Essex County or the rest of northern New Jersey. The newly formed wetland, with its new flora and fauna, will become a laboratory of environmental study. In fact, the developmental plan includes two small classrooms where students from local colleges and Bloomfield schools will be

## Veggie truck now visiting Twp twice a month

A mobile farm stand selling fresh fruits and vegetables is now coming to Bloomfield every first and third Tuesday, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at #1 Municipal Plaza (across from the post office). It will continue visiting through Oct. 17. On market days, shoppers can buy directly from City Green, a farm in Clifton, NJ. Cash payments, senior checks, food stamps and WIC are accepted, but not credit cards. For details, call Bloomfield Health at (973) 680-4024.

able to study the century-long transition from nature to industry and back to a nature again.

The reclamation start date now depends on the permitting process. Venezia said the site design supports policies endorsed by FEMA, the Army Corps of Engineers, EPA, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the NJ DEP.

Lionsgate "will add tremendous value to our community," he said.

## Harvest Fest coming Oct. 7

Harvest Fest, Bloomfield's largest annual celebration, will return to the downtown area on Saturday, Oct. 7. Bloomfield Center Alliance, the hosting organization, has concentrated the fun into one day, with the same features as past years still available. Hours will be 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., including a nonstop agenda of live contemporary music-makers on one main stage.

Other highlights will be the vendor marketplace, carnival rides and amusements, street performers, plenty of delicious street food, and the Harvest Beer Garden. Check BCA online for event updates.

## SUMMER OF FUN 2017

Bloomfield Recreation has lined up another dazzling season of fun for everyone! See page 7 for details on:

- July 4th celebration
- Hank Barlow Golf Outing
- Civic Band concerts on The Green
- Movie Night and Family Camp-out
- The rockin' Summer Concert Series
- Family Drive-In Movie



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## Town Council Meetings

All meetings are at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

July 10 – conference mtg	Oct. 30 – regular mtg
July 17 – regular mtg	Nov. 13 – conference mtg
Aug. 14 – conference mtg	Nov. 27 – regular mtg
Aug. 21 – regular mtg	Dec. 4 – conference mtg
Sept. 18 – conference mtg	Dec. 18 – conference, 6 p.m.
Sept. 25 – regular mtg	and regular mtg, 7:30 p.m.
Oct. 16 – conference mtg	

**Regular Meetings:** Council Chambers, Municipal Bldg., 2nd floor

**Conference Meetings:** Law Enforcement Bldg., Room 205

**Questions:** twpclerk@bloomfieldtwpnj.com or (973) 680-4015.

## General election deadlines announced

Tuesday, Nov. 7 will be General Election Day. Polls will be open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Related voter deadlines will be as follows:

- **Oct. 17** - Last day for new registrations and address transfers. Go to Municipal Clerk's Office, room 214., 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Open Oct. 17, from 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.)
- **Oct. 31** - Last day to apply by mail for a vote-by-mail ballot. (Must be postmarked by Oct 31.) For a form, go to the Municipal Clerk's Office, room 214, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

### Bloomfield Police Department

#### Sign up for police alerts/messages

A new community notification system from the Bloomfield Police gives you access to crime alerts, lets you text police anonymously with tips, and provides departmental information through social media. To sign up, go to [www.tip411.com/people/sign\\_up?agency\\_id=734](http://www.tip411.com/people/sign_up?agency_id=734).

#### Share Coffee with a Cop

Community problem solving is the aim of Bloomfield's "Coffee with a Cop" program. The informal sessions with family, neighbors and friends are designed to let you discuss community issues and build relationships while sharing coffee at a relaxed place of your choosing. To set up a session, contact Sgt. Naomi Zepeda at (973) 680-4096 or [nzepeda@bloomfieldnjpd.com](mailto:nzepeda@bloomfieldnjpd.com).

#### Get involved! Join Neighborhood Watch

Safety comes with close-knit neighbors who look out for one another. That's why the Bloomfield Police Department wants to expand its Neighborhood Watch program.

Why should you join?

- To voice your concerns directly with officers who attend the meetings.
- To avoid being a crime victim by learning home and property safety procedures.
- To learn how to respond to suspicious activity.
- For greater access to information on criminal activity.

To join, e-mail [Nzepeda@bloomfieldnjpd.com](mailto:Nzepeda@bloomfieldnjpd.com), or [Yaponte@bloomfieldnjpd.com](mailto:Yaponte@bloomfieldnjpd.com).

## Help improve library seating

Put your permanent message on a new library chair and help the Friends of the Bloomfield Library replace tired seating throughout the facility. For the last year and a half, the Friends have been replacing old library seating. For \$125 (tax deductible), you can fund a new chair bearing your 40-character message on a small brass plaque. Straight donations to the cause are also appreciated. For information, contact project chair Hector Correa: [hecdws@aol.com](mailto:hecdws@aol.com) or (973) 803-6798.



### Bloomfield Animal Shelter

#### Mellow cat seeks home

Handsome Timmy (pictured), an 8-year-old stray, was found at the Town Hall parking lot and brought to the Bloomfield Animal Shelter. One volunteer said he is "the most mellow, friendly, loving cat I have ever seen in the shelter." He's also happy with other cats. Although Timmy has tested positive for feline immunodeficiency virus, he has no symptoms and should live a long life if kept indoors. He will not infect other cats if they don't fight or share litter pans or food bowls. FIV cannot be transmitted to humans or other species.



#### Cat volunteers needed

The shelter has taken in a group of cats rescued from a hoarder. They need socialization to become adoptable. Interested volunteers with cat experience, age 18 and older, can e-mail [volunteeratbas@yahoo.com](mailto:volunteeratbas@yahoo.com) or call (973) 748-0194.

## Park free on these holidays

The Bloomfield Parking Authority will grant free parking throughout town on the following holidays:

- Tuesday, July 4 (Independence Day)
- Monday, Sept. 4 (Labor Day)
- Monday, Oct. 9 (Columbus Day)
- Friday, Nov. 10 (Veterans Day)
- Thursday to Saturday, Nov. 23-25 (Thanksgiving weekend)
- Monday, Dec. 23-25 (Christmas weekend)
- Saturday, Dec. 30 (New Year's weekend)



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#### 2017-2018 Registration Still Available

- Full-Day or Half-Day Pre-K 3&4
- Full-Day Kindergarten
- BeforeCare & AfterCare Programs
- World Language, Art, Music
- Extracurricular Activities, including Chess and Robotics clubs

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## Restaurant Week returns Aug. 5-13

Find out what's cooking at the sixth annual Bloomfield Restaurant Week when more than 20 new and established restaurants share their fan favorites and new dishes. From Aug. 5 to 13, the deals will include lunch and dinner selections priced at \$30 or less (excluding drinks, tax and tip).

Restaurant Week committee member Rodgee Cao, owner of Spice Thai Cuisine, says the event showcases diverse cuisine and helps restaurants find new customers.

During the week, the Bloomfield Parking Authority will offer two-hour complimentary parking at bagged meters, starting at 11 a.m. daily.

For a list of participating restaurants, visit [www.bloomfieldrestaurantweek.com](http://www.bloomfieldrestaurantweek.com), [Facebook.com/bloomfieldrestaurantweek](https://www.facebook.com/bloomfieldrestaurantweek), or [Twitter@BloomfieldNJRW](https://twitter.com/BloomfieldNJRW).

### Drop & Dine

a child-watching service from Bloomfield Recreation, will be available on Aug. 10, 11 and 12, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Civic Center. While parents dine, kids in kindergarten through grade 6 can enjoy hands-on classes: Aug. 10, Jewelry. Aug. 11, Cooking. Aug. 12, Art.

The fee is \$20 per night, per child. Reserve early at (973) 743-9074 or [www.bloomfieldrecreation.org](http://www.bloomfieldrecreation.org).



## Dean Cole to present WWI talk

When World War I was in progress, Bloomfield residents expressed pro-war and anti-war sentiments and raised money for both allied and German causes.

The town's dual-minded take on the times will be explored by lifelong Bloomfield resident Dean Cole in "Bloomfield 1914-1919: World War One & The Influenza Epidemic." The Historical Society of Bloomfield will host the event on Tuesday, Oct. 24, at 7:30 p.m. at the Civic Center, 84 Broad St.

Cole will discuss Bloomfield's significant support for the allied cause, since it was home to one of the largest east coast armaments factories. He'll also cover the post-war epidemic of Spanish influenza, which killed more than 20 million people globally and had substantial impact in Bloomfield.

The presentation will be free and open to the public. For information, call (973) 743-8844 or visit [www.hsob.org](http://www.hsob.org); [info@hsob.org](mailto:info@hsob.org).

## Come to all-years BHS reunion

You are invited to the Bloomfield High School Summer Reunion! Grads from all years, their friends and families are welcome to this grand event on Monday, July 17 at Brookdale Tavern and Kitchen, located at 1099 Broad Street.

The 6 p.m. event is a fundraiser for the Bloomfield Educational Foundation. All proceeds will benefit the SAT student preparation program

at Bloomfield High School.

For a donation of \$75, attendees will enjoy beer, wine, soda and a summer barbecue. The event theme is reliving "The George Cella & Sam Cavallaro Glory Years" (in honor of two popular coaches of yore).

For reservations or info, go to [bloomfieldeducationalfoundation.org](http://bloomfieldeducationalfoundation.org), or call Bob Fetterly at (973) 249-5411.

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## Remember your deceased pet

Remember your beloved family pet at the fourth annual Pet Memorial Day hosted by Van Tassel Funeral Home (337 Belleville Avenue) on Sunday, Sept. 10, from 1 to 3 p.m. Paint a rock with your pet's name and add it to the Van Tassel garden. Bring a pet photo and enjoy light refreshments. Attorney Shana Siegel will speak about "How to Protect Your Pet Legally in Case of Incapacity or Death." Details at (973) 743-1234 or 1761.

## Butterfly sanctuary opens July 9

Bloomfield's first nationally recognized and certified butterfly sanctuary garden will open Sunday, July 9 at 1 p.m. at Van Tassel Funeral Home. The garden is designed to attract bees and butterflies with nectar, and to be a host plant sanctuary for butterfly eggs and caterpillar food. Details at (973) 743-1234 or 1761.

## Community garden hosts 'Paint & Sip'

Give a garden a second life — on canvas! Come to the artist-guided "Paint & Sip" at Pulaski Park Community Gardens on Saturday, July 22, from 4:30-7 p.m. Novices and experienced painters alike will gain insight from a professional artist. The "sip" to be enjoyed during the event is a non-alcoholic beverage. For details, including fee, e-mail [Bloomfieldnigardens@gmail.com](mailto:Bloomfieldnigardens@gmail.com) or visit the Recreation Department (co-host) website, [www.bloomfieldrecreation.org](http://www.bloomfieldrecreation.org). Space is limited. The garden is at the corner of Howard and Mt. Vernon; parking will be on Mt. Vernon, off Chapel.

# Bloomfield Public Library

973-566-6200 • www.bplnj.org

M, T, W: 10am-8pm • Th, F: 10am-5pm • Sat: 9am-5pm • Sun: closed

Events are subject to change without notice and more programs are added all the time. Check the website for updates.

## Continuing Programs

- **Genealogy Drop-in** – second Wednesday, 6 p.m.
- **Monday and Thursday movies** - 12:15 p.m.
- **Book Club** – one Monday per month, 6:45 p.m. Call for topic and date.
- **Financial Book Club and Workshops** – Every Tuesday, 6 p.m. Beginners welcome.
- **Bridge Club** – Fridays at noon.
- **Writer's Circle** – second and fourth Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.
- **Computer Classes** – one-on-one tutoring in computer basics, e-mail, online searching. Registration required.
- **Literacy Volunteers of America** has an office on the second floor of the library. Call for help learning English or to volunteer as a tutor — x217 or x225.

## Special Events

- **Blood Drive**, July 12, 3-7 p.m.
- **Alborada Spanish Dance**, Sept. 9, 2 p.m.
- **D'Italia Italian Heritage Day**, Oct. 21, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
- **"Macbeth,"** presented by the Hudson Shakespeare Company, Oct. 28 at 2 p.m.
- **Halloween Blood Drive**, Oct. 31, 3-7 p.m.
- **Move to the Music**, Bollywood Style, Nov. 18, 2 p.m.

## Children's Storytimes

Admission is free. No registration required. Sessions include stories, songs, and arts and crafts (as indicated). All programs begin at 11 a.m.

- Tuesdays and Fridays - Toddlers with craft (1.5 -3 years).
- Wednesdays - Preschool with craft (3-5 years).
- Thursdays - Baby & Me (up to age 1.5). No craft.

## Summer Reading Program

June 26 to Aug. 2

- Mondays – Book Bingo (age 6 and older), 2 p.m.; Read to Ruby (all ages), 4 p.m.
  - Tuesdays – Toddler Time (1.5 -3 years), 11 a.m.; Creation Station (age 6+, registration required), 2 p.m.
  - Wednesdays – Preschool Storytime (3-5 years), 11 a.m.;
- Summer Movies (age 3 and older), 2 p.m.
- Thursdays – Baby & Me (up to age 1.5, no craft), 11 a.m.
  - Fridays – LEGO Club (age 5 and older), 2 p.m.

## Holiday Closures

- Independence Day – Tuesday, July 4
- Labor Day – Monday, Sept. 4
- Columbus Day – Monday, Oct. 9
- Veteran's Day Observed – Friday, Nov. 10
- Thanksgiving – Nov. 22 at 3 p.m. through Nov. 24
- Christmas – Monday, Dec. 25

# 'Ragtime In Concert'

coming to Westminster in September

"Ragtime In Concert" will be presented by 4th Wall Theatre at Westminster Arts Center (Bloomfield College) on Sept. 22, 23 and 24. Based on E.L. Doctorow's novel, the show became a Tony Award-winning Broadway hit.

The action takes place in turn-of-the-century New York City and features three distinctly American tales all woven together – a stifled upper-class wife, a determined Jewish immigrant, and a daring young Harlem musician. Together, they confront history's timeless contradictions of wealth and poverty, freedom and prejudice, hope and despair, and what it means to live in America.

4th Wall's production will not be fully produced with sets and costumes, and performers will carry scripts. Some staging and choreography will be involved.



## Auditions in mid-July

Auditions are scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, July 17 and 18, from 7-10 p.m., at Westminster Arts Center, 449 Franklin Street. Sign-up will begin one half-hour before the audition start time. Those auditioning must arrive no later than 8 p.m. each night. For information, e-mail [auditions@4thwalltheatre.org](mailto:auditions@4thwalltheatre.org).

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## Summer Camps & Clinics

Spots remain open in all of the following programs. Camps run through Aug. 4; sports clinics through Aug. 11.

- **Playgroup** (age 4-5 and kindergarten) at the Civic Center, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- **Recreation Station** (grades 1-7) at Watsessing Elementary, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- **Station II** (special needs, grades 1-7) at Watsessing Elementary, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- **Teen Travel Camp** (grades 7-10) – bus trips to Six Flags, Liberty Science Center, the Delaware for tubing and much more, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- **Summer Sports & Activity Clinics** (ages 6-13) – traditional and non-traditional sports, or non-sport activities. Two morning and two afternoon hours per day.

## Summer Fitness Programs

**Yoga** – For ages 18 and older (co-ed) at the Civic Center. Tuesdays July 11, 18, 25, Aug. 1, 8, 15 from 6 to 7 p.m. Fee: \$50.

**Get Fit Without Getting Hit!** Co-ed boxing fitness for ages 13 and older, at the Civic Center. Wednesdays, July 12, 19, 26, Aug. 2, 9, 16, from 6 to 7 p.m. Fee: \$65.

## Friday Fun Nights

Parents with kids in kindergarten through sixth grade can get a night off from child-rearing. Try Bloomfield Recreation's once-a-month child-watching service, offered at the Civic Center from 6 to 9 p.m. Your kids will enjoy games, crafts, movies and pizza. (Additional assistance for children with special needs.) The fee is \$20 per child and pre-registration is required. Call (973) 743-9074. Plan your night out on one of these Friday nights: Sept. 8, Oct. 13 or Nov. 17.

## 2017 Fall Recreation Programs

Pre-registration begins Wednesday, Sept. 6, and continues through the fall. Sign-up at the Civic Center Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Wednesdays from 6 to 8:30 p.m.; or online at [www.bloomfieldrecreation.org](http://www.bloomfieldrecreation.org). Program dates and times are listed on the Recreation website.

- Adult Fitness – Crossfit-ness, Pilates, Yoga, Zumba
- Children's Art - grades 1-4
- Baton - pre-K and up, two competition groups
- Bowling - pre-K to high school
- Hip-Hop Dance - Ages 6-12
- Intro to Sports - pre-K - K
- Karate – age 5 and up
- Pee Wee Football – grades 1-4
- Intro to Rock - age 7 +
- Sports Advance - grades 1-3
- Tennis - all ages
- Tumble Tots - 18-36 months
- Gymblye Tots - age 4

## Family Events - August to December

### ■ Drive-In Movie and Cruise Night Finale

Wednesday, Aug. 30 - Bloomfield Recreation and Bloomfield Center Alliance will team up to offer a parade of over 75 classic cars on Broad Street, followed at dusk by a screening of the 1973 George Lucas classic, "American Graffiti." The free movie will be shown on a 25-foot outdoor screen. Bring a lawn chair or blanket.

### ■ Halloween Spooktacular

Saturday, Oct. 21 at the Town Green and Civic Center – Enjoy trick-or-treating, a pumpkin patch, costume contest and magic show. "It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown" will be shown at dusk. (Bloomfield FMBA, Bloomfield PBA and Brookside Garden Center are sponsors.) Rain date: Saturday, Oct. 28.

### ■ Veteran's Day Parade

Saturday, Nov. 11, 10:30 a.m. – Join the mayor, town council and distinguished guests at a parade led by the Bloomfield High School Marching Band. The parade will start at Town Hall and proceed to the Veterans' Monument on Liberty Street.

### ■ Radio City Holiday Excursion

Sunday, Dec. 3 – Sign up for the annual bus trip to Radio City Music Hall for the Christmas Spectacular at 5 p.m. The charter bus will leave several hours early from the Civic Center. Tickets will be \$100 (subject to change).

### ■ Annual Tree Lighting

Monday, Dec. 4, 6:30 p.m. - Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and the Bloomfield High School and Middle School concert choirs will sing carols in front of Town Hall. Santa will make an appearance.

### ■ Children's Holiday Program

Saturday, Dec. 9, 1-4 p.m. – The celebration at the Civic Center will include refreshments, arts and crafts, face painting and pictures with Santa (bring your own camera).

### ■ Holiday House Decorating Contest

Show your holiday creativity. E-mail a JPEG photo and entry form to [Recreation@bloomfieldtwpnj.com](mailto:Recreation@bloomfieldtwpnj.com), or bring them in person to the Civic Center by Dec. 13. The winner, to be announced by Dec. 22, will receive a free family dinner at Angelo's Restaurant and Pizzeria.

## Special Needs Programming (year-round)

For details, call John Baltz, (973) 725-4485

- ★ **Friday Night Canteen**, ages 7 to 17. Recreational fun at Carteret School, plus special trips.
- ★ **Horizons**, ages 18 and older. Bowling, movies, dining and more.
- ★ **The CARE Station**, after-school academic support, snacks and recreational activities for ages 7 to 16 at Carteret School.

# SUMMER OF FUN

## Independence Day Celebration

On Tuesday, July Fourth, at Foley Field, gates will open at 5:30 p.m. with food vendors, kids' amusements and awards.

- Opening Ceremonies and Awards, 7:30 p.m.
- DJ playing hits from 5 p.m. to end of fireworks
- Fireworks, 9:25 p.m.

## Civic Band Concerts (Mondays, 7 p.m.)

Bring lawn chairs and picnic baskets to the Town Green.

- July 10 - A Tribute to America
- July 17 - Of Movies and Musicals
- July 24 - Best of the Season, Part II

## Summer Concert Series (Tuesdays, 7 p.m.)

- **July 11 - Rt. 80's Band** - Classic 80's hits, Brookside Park
- **July 18 - Duppy Conquerors** - Bob Marley Tribute, Brookside Park (Rain site: Bloomfield High School Auditorium)
- **July 25 - Bell Bottom Blues** - Eric Clapton Tribute Brookside Park
- **Aug. 1 - A Triple Event at Foley Field**
  - National Night Out - free pizza, drinks, amusements, give-aways
  - 6 p.m. - PBA / FMBA annual softball game
  - 7:30 p.m. - Steppin' Out concert (Motown, R&B, Jazz, Top 40)

## Hank Barlow Golf Outing

The annual memorial golf outing will take place Wednesday, Aug. 2 at Farmstead Golf & Country Club in Lafayette, NJ. Proceeds will benefit the Bloomfield Recreation special needs program. The \$100 fee includes greens fee, cart, lunch and prizes. Shotgun start, 8 a.m.

## Movie Night and Family Campout

Friday, Sept. 15 at Pulaski Park (Mt. Vernon Avenue). Movie 7:45 p.m. Rain Date - Saturday, Sept. 16.

Each camping group must have a responsible adult (18 or older). The Bloomfield Fire Department and FMBA Local #19 will supervise the campfire. Bring s'mores supplies! Hot Bagels Abroad will provide juice and bagels the following morning. Pre-registration will begin Sept. 1, by phone or in person at the Civic Center. A registered campsite is required to camp overnight. Only 60 camping spots will be available.

## Family Drive-In Movie

Friday, Sept. 22 at 7:45 p.m. Location to be announced. Pre-registration is required and will start on Sept. 1. (Rain date: Sept. 23)



## Thank You! Summer of Fun Sponsors

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# Snow Plowing Advisory

**Bloomfield Department of Public Works & Parks**



## You May Need to Move Your Car

Below are rules for efficient snow removal on municipal streets.

(1.) If you live on a snow emergency street (see list), you are obligated to move your car once the street becomes snow covered.

(2.) Homeowners with driveways should remove vehicles from the street until plowing is finished.

(3.) Those without driveways can park in the following lots, after they are plowed:

- School playgrounds (not faculty lots), after Township authorization.
- Recreation Department parking lots: Felton Field (Floyd Avenue), Pulaski Park (Mt. Vernon Avenue), Upper Memorial Park (Division Street), Clarks Pond South (Hobson Street) or Wrights Field (Baldwin Place).

(4.) Major roadways will be plowed first for emergency access, then secondary arteries. All streets will be plowed.

(5.) Do not shovel snow back into streets when clearing driveways.

### Snow Removal Tips

- Remove vehicles from the street to improve plowing.
- Parking on your frozen lawn in snow emergencies won't hurt it.
- Leave the last three feet of your driveway (the apron) covered with snow until the plow comes; avoid shoveling twice.
- If you must clear the apron quickly, pile snow on the left side (facing your home) to reduce plow-back into your driveway.

**If your car is parked on one of the below streets (or street sections) during a snow emergency, it could be towed away by police.**

STREET	FROM	TO
Ackerman St (south side)	entire length	
American Way (east side)	entire length	
Ampere Pkwy	Bloomfield Ave	East Orange line
Arlington Ave	Watsessing Ave	East Orange line
Ashland Ave	Maolis - south	dead end
Baldwin St	Broad St (west)	Essex Ave
Barbara St (south side)	entire length	
Bay Ave	Hoover Ave	Glen Ridge line
Belleville Ave	Glen Ridge line	Belleville line
Bellevue Ave	entire length	
Berkeley Ave	Watsessing Ave	Montgomery St
Berkeley Ave	Liberty	Bloomfield Ave
Berkeley Pl	entire length	
Bessida St (south side)	entire length	
Birch St (south side)	entire length	
Bloomfield Ave	Newark line	Glen Ridge line
Broad St	Bloomfield Ave	Clifton line
Broughton Ave	Bay Ave	Watchung Ave
Byrd Ave	entire length	
Chapel Street (south side)	entire length	
Civic Place (south side)	entire length	
Coeyman Ave	East Passaic Ave	Nutley line
Conger St	entire length	
Corsi Rd (east side)	entire length	
Curtis Street	entire length	
Daka Ct	entire length	
Davey St	Belleville Ave N	Forest Glen School
Dewey St (south side)	entire length	
Dodd St	Watsessing Ave	East Orange line
Douglas St (east side)	entire length	

STREET	FROM	TO
East Passaic Ave	James St	Hoover Ave
East Passaic Ave	Nutley line	West Passaic Ave
Elston St (south side)	entire length	
Farrand St	Washington St	Ward St
First Ave	Newark line East	Orange line
Fitzherbert St (north side)	entire length	
Franklin St	Belleville line	Broad St
Fritz St, South	entire length	
Garrabrant Ave	West Passaic Ave	northerly line
Gillespie Rd	Curtis	Irving
Glenwood Ave	entire length	East Orange line
Grove St	Watsessing Ave	East Orange line
Hill St	Bloomfield Ave	Orange St
Hobson St (south side)	entire length	
Hoffman Blvd	Arlington Ave	East Orange line
Hoover Ave	Belleville line	Bay Ave
Howard St (south side)	entire length	
Hudson Place (south side)	entire length	
Irving Terr	entire length	
James St	Broad St	North Spring St
John F. Kennedy Dr North	E. Orange line	Bloomfield Ave
John F. Kennedy Dr South	Locust Ave	E. Orange line
Ketner St (north side)	entire length	
Lackawanna Plaza	Glenwood Ave	Washington St
LaFrance Ave	entire length	
Liberty St	Williamson Ave	Bloomfield Ave
Lindbergh Blvd	entire length	
Llewellyn Ave	entire length	
Main Terrace South	entire length	
Maolis Ave	Glenwood Ave	Glen Ridge
Maple St	entire length	
Martin St (south side)	entire length	
Montgomery St	Franklin St	Belleville line
Mountain Ave	Broad St	Parkview Dr
Mt. Vernon Ave (east side)	entire length	
Municipal Plaza	entire length	
Myrtle St	Prospect St	Garden State Pkwy
New Street	entire length	
Newark Ave	Franklin St	Belleville line
North Spring St	entire length	
Norwood Place (south side)	entire length	
Oak Tree Lane (east side)	entire length	
Orange St	Franklin St	Myrtle Ave
Palmer St (south side)	entire length	
Park Ave	Broad St	Glen Ridge line
Park St	Broad St	Bloomfield Ave
Parkview Dr	Mountain Ave	Broad St
Pettit St (south side)	entire length	
Pierson St (south side)	entire length	
Pilch St (south side)	Broughton Ave	dead end
Pleasant Ave (east side)	entire length	
Prospect St	East Orange line	Glenwood Ave
Pulaski St (east side)	entire length	
Rector Place (south side)	entire length	
Sampson St (south side)	entire length	
Sandra Lane (east side)	entire length	
Scott Rd (south side)	entire length	
Spruce St	Montgomery St	Maple St
State St	Bloomfield Ave	Broad St
Stone St (south side)	entire length	
Sylvan Rd	Lindbergh Blvd	Garrabrant Ave
Tomar Ct (south side)	entire length	
Union Place (south side)	entire length	
Walnut St	Montgomery St	Liberty St
Walter St (south side)	entire length	
Ward St	entire length	
Washington St	Franklin St	Glen Ridge line
Watchung Ave	East Passaic Ave	Glen Ridge line
Watsessing Ave	Newark Ave	Dodd St
West Passaic Ave	Broad St	Nutley line
Willet St	Belleville Ave	Belleville line
Williamson Ave	Montgomery St	Belleville Ave

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## Curbside Recycling

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**Blacked-Out Holidays (Recycling)** - Pickup is canceled until the next business day.

**Report Missed Recycling Pickups** at (973) 227-7020.

**Shaded:** Mixed Paper Only

**Unshaded:** Commingled

### Holiday Pickup Delays

July 4 (Independence Day) • Sept. 4 (Labor Day)  
Nov. 23 (Thanksgiving) • Dec. 25 (Christmas)  
Jan. 1, 2018 (New Year's)

- **Trash Pickup** - Delayed until next scheduled pickup.
- **Recycling Pickup** - Canceled until next business day.

### Got a question or service request?

Contact DPW  
**(973) 680-4127** or find us on Facebook



## General Recycling

**Essex County Household Hazardous Waste Day**, Saturday, Oct. 7, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the fleet maintenance garage, 125 Fairview Avenue, Cedar Grove (next to the old hospital center). Bring your driver's license as proof of county residency. For details, call (973) 792-9060.

**Paper Shredding Day**, Saturday, Oct. 14, 9 a.m. to noon. For residents only, at the Board of Education parking lot, 155 Broad Street.

**North End Electronic Recycling**, Saturday, Oct. 28, 9 a.m. to noon at the ShopRite parking lot across from Brookdale Christian Church. Discard computers, printers, monitors, wires, cables, keyboards, telephones, TVs, VCRs, DVD players, stereos, small appliances.

**Saturday Recycling Hours** - The Public Works Yard is open for recycling every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. No garbage or bulk drop off occurs during that time. Bring only mixed paper, commingled items and electronics to 230 Grove Street.

**Bulk Pickup** of large items (no metals, appliances) occurs on the second pickup day of each week. Three items maximum. No need to call the office.

**Metals and Appliances** (not electronics) are picked up every Tuesday. Call DPW no later than 3:30 p.m. Monday for a scheduled Tuesday pickup.

**Fall Leaf Bag Collection** will extend through Dec. 31. On your recycling day, place leaves in biodegradable bags at curbside.

**Christmas Trees** will be picked up on your recycling day. Remove all decorations and lights. Do not put trees in plastic bags.

## Upcoming Health Screenings

[www.bloomfieldtnj.com/health/public-health-nursing](http://www.bloomfieldtnj.com/health/public-health-nursing)  
(973) 680-4058

*Unless specifically noted, all screenings are conducted at the Public Health Nursing Office, #1 Municipal Plaza, lower level. Appointments are required unless otherwise indicated.*

### ◆ Blood Pressure (free)

- First Thursday, 9:30-10:30 a.m., Town Hall.
- Third Friday, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Civic Center.
- Second Thursday, 10 a.m. - noon, Brookdale ShopRite.

◆ **Diabetes Screening** – Fourth Thursday, 10 a.m. - noon, Brookdale ShopRite. Free.

◆ **Urinalysis Screening** – Sept. 25, Dec. 12, 10-11 a.m. \$10.

◆ **Stroke Screening** – July 19, Dec. 5, 10 a.m. - noon. Includes cholesterol, glucose, blood pressure and carotid assessment. \$30.

◆ **Blood Chemistry** – Oct. 6, 8-10 a.m. Includes health panel (blood chemistry, CBC, lipid panel, T4) \$35; PSA \$35; health panel and PSA \$50. Other available tests: thyroid, blood type and Rh factor, CRP, vitamin D25 and hemoglobin A1c. Call for costs.

◆ **Men's Health Screening** – Aug. 17, Nov. 20, 10 a.m. - noon, for uninsured men. Includes PSA blood test and digital rectal exam. Free.

◆ **Osteoporosis** (bone density) – July 13, Sept. 26, 10 a.m. - noon. For men and women, ultrasound of the wrist. \$12.

◆ **Blood Drive** – Van at Municipal Plaza on Aug. 16, 4-8 p.m.

◆ **Vision Screening** – Sept. 18, 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Free.

◆ **Tuberculin Skin Test** (PPD, Mantoux, TST) - \$20. Call for details.

◆ **Adult Vaccine Program** – age 19 and older. Protect yourself against vaccine-preventable diseases. Call for information and eligibility.

◆ **Well Child Program** – Most Wednesdays, appointments at 9 a.m. Age 2 months to 18 years. Includes vaccines, lead screening, autism screening, growth and development assessment, and post-partum depression screening. Call for details and eligibility.

◆ **File of Life Program** – Get a free wallet insert and refrigerator magnet to inform emergency personnel about your vital information in time of need. Includes emergency contacts, health care provider names/numbers, medications, allergies, insurance, medical conditions, health proxy, advance directives, and blood type.

### Pop-up learning coming to corner store!

It's happening at a corner store near you — fun, interactive learning sessions on healthful living. Starting in July, Friendly News at 128 Montgomery Street, and Tobacco King II at 143 Grove Street will be hosting monthly pop-up learning events as part of the Bloomfield Health Department's "Healthy Corner Store Initiative." Here are the upcoming sessions. (Dates and times to be announced.)

- July - Perinatal Health, at Friendly News
  - August - Immunizations and Screenings, at Friendly News
  - September - Fruits and Veggies, at Tobacco King II
  - October - Breast Cancer, at Friendly News
  - November - Diabetes, at Friendly News
  - December - Healthy Holiday Recipes, at Tobacco King II
- Store vouchers for a healthy food item will be given away at each event. The program is funded by the NJ Partnership for Healthy Kids and the Food Trust Foundation.

### We're on the air

The first-ever radio show produced by the Bloomfield Health Department is now airing on WBCR, the Bloomfield College internet radio station. "Bloomfield Health Beat" airs the last Monday of every month from 3 to 3:30 p.m. It streams live through the Bloomfield College website. (Scroll to the directory at the bottom of the home page.)

In July's program, find out how retail food inspections prevent communicable disease and learn about the BDHHS accreditation.

### Help a neighbor in need

Selflessness can mean helping neighbors feel safe, healthy and happy. Volunteer with the Neighbor to Neighbor Network and be a visiting companion to an isolated

senior. Do grocery shopping and other errands for a disabled person. Help with minor home repairs and lawn mowing. Make weekly food pantry deliveries. Take people to essential doctor appointments. A few hours a month can make a big difference in your neighbor's life.

Or if you prefer, serve on a Neighbor to Neighbor Committee: public relations, volunteer recruitment, fundraising, or accounting.

To volunteer or to refer someone for free assistance, call (973) 680-4017.

### UpTICK predicted this summer and fall

This year may see an increase in tick-borne diseases such as Lyme disease and rocky mountain spotted fever. If you walk in wooded areas or even spend time in your own backyard, check for ticks at the nape of the scalp, armpits, waist, sock line, groin and behind the knees. In forested areas, wear long-sleeved tops, long pants, socks and enclosed shoes. Avoid underbrush and use DEET repellents on exposed skin and clothing.

### Please manage your garbage

Bloomfield Health proactively investigates quality-of-life violations by residents and commercial establishments. Here are a few township rules. For details, call (973) 680-4024.

- Remove waste receptacles and clean up garbage bag leaks within two hours of garbage pickup.
- Do not place bulky waste at the curb before 5 p.m. the day before collection. Remove within 2 hours after collection.
- Residential receptacles must be removed from the curb within 24 hours of collection.
- Business owners/occupants must broom-clean their sidewalks and curbs three times a day: within 30 minutes of opening, between noon and 1 p.m., and within 30 minutes of closing.

## Safety Net Services for Bloomfield residents

Human Services, (973) 680-4017

■ **Food programs, utilities assistance, prescription assistance, and limited rental/mortgage assistance** are all available to qualified low-income individuals and families. Human Services conducts free benefits screenings to determine eligibility. Or you can be screened on the Essex County Mobile Welfare Van, parked outside the municipal building once a month. Home-bound seniors and disabled residents can be screened in the home. For details, call Human Services.

■ **Eliminate health insurance confusion.** Bloomfield's State Health Insurance Assistance Program counselor helps people wade through difficult insurance decisions. Bloomfield and Glen Ridge Medicare beneficiaries can get help with Medicare, Medigap, Medicare

Advantage Plans, Medicare Part D, or long-term care insurance. There's also help available for applying for the Affordable Care Act or NJ Family Care.

■ **Affordable dental care.** The Zufall Dental Van is coming to Town Hall July 12 and 26, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Services include full mouth X-Rays, comprehensive exams, cleanings, fillings, extractions and partials. Bloomfield residents on Medicaid or NJ Family Care, or those without dental insurance can call for appoint-



ments or future van visit dates. Call Gilberto at (973)-328-9100, x271.

■ **The 2017 Thanksgiving Turkey Give-Away** sponsored by Mayor Michael Venezia, will be Sunday, Nov. 19, from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the back parking lot at Town Hall, #1 Municipal Plaza. Six weeks

of advance registration will precede the event; recipients must be income qualified in advance. To register between Oct. 2 to Nov. 14, call Human Services.

■ **One-time rent/mortgage/utility assistance** is available to those suffering a temporary financial setback. Grants are available to Bloomfield residents who have the financial resources to resume regular payments after a one-time assist. Those not able to manage future payments are not eligible. To learn more, call Human Services or schedule a visit with the Essex County Mobile Welfare Van, which comes to Bloomfield once a month.

### Greener Bloomfield

#### Grass maintenance tips

- **Cut it and leave it** is a lawn maintenance practice that improves your lawn the "green" way. Instead of raking, leave grass clippings in place as a top dressing that returns nitrogen to the lawn while reducing the need for fertilizer. The practice also lessens volume in the waste stream.
- **Cut grass high** (2½ to 3 inches) to encourage deeper roots that require less watering.

#### Start managing kitchen waste

Towns across the country are beginning to address the large chunk of garbage that comes from kitchen refuse. Learn more about such efforts in forthcoming posts at [Greener-Bloomfield.org](http://Greener-Bloomfield.org) and on the group's Facebook page

*Greener Bloomfield meets the first Thursday of most months at 7:30 p.m., at the Civic Center. July and August meetings are held at police department headquarters.*

## Fitness/Programs for Bloomfield Seniors

### Fitness Programs

(at the Civic Center)

- Tai Chi – Mondays, 11 a.m. to noon. Pre-registration required.
- Senior Exercise – Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10-11 a.m. Pre-registration required.
- Zumba Gold – Wednesdays, 10-11 a.m. Pre-registration required.
- Seniorcise – Monday to Friday, 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., a new class airs each day. Tune to channel 35; for Verizon Fios, channel 30.

### Senior Club Meetings

are held the third Friday of every month (except July and August) at noon in the Civic Center. Dues are \$20 per year, covering occasional

lunches and movies at the Civic Center, plus discounts on senior activities run by Bloomfield Recreation. For details, call Bonnie Triola at (973) 743-3332.

### Bloomfield Dial-A-Ride

is a free transportation service available to residents age 60 and older or any resident with a disability. The vehicles travel throughout Essex County. Most rides are for medical visits, but can include grocery stores, local shops, salon appointments, visits with sick relatives, or gravesite visits. Rides can be scheduled a month in advance. To do so, call (973) 566-7194 Monday through Friday, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

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## Municipal Directory

**Dial 680 + 4-digit #  
Town Hall (Room #)**

Administration, 4006 (R-209)  
Animal Control, 478-0194  
Animal Shelter, 748-0194  
Assessor, 4021 (R-108)  
Board of Education, 8500  
Building Dept, 4054 (R-105)  
Clerk's Office, 4015 (R-214)  
Community Dev, 4188 (R-200)  
Court/Violations, 4078  
Dial-A-Ride, 973-566-7194  
Emergency Squad, 4141  
Engineering, 4009 (R-203)  
Finance, 4038 (R-108)  
Fire Dept, 4153  
Health Dept, 4024 (R-109)  
Human Svcs, 4017 (R-213)  
Info Systems, 4670 (R-203)  
Law Dept, 4066  
Library, 566-6200  
Mayor & Council, 4077 (R-209)  
Nursing, 4058 (basement)  
Office of Emerg Mgmt, 4177  
Parking Authority, 8960  
Personnel, 4039 (R-108)  
Police Dept, 4141  
Public Works, 4127, x400  
Recreation, 743-9074  
Tax Dept, 4049 (R-106)  
Water Dept, 4051 (R-106)  
WBMA TV, 4122  
Zoning, 4012 (R-203)  
**Emergency & After Hours  
(973) 680-4141**

### **Your Elected Officials:**

**Mayor Michael Venezia**  
Council Members  
• 1st Ward, Jenny Mundell  
• 2nd Ward, Nicholas Joanow  
• 3rd Ward, Carlos Bernard  
Council Members At Large:  
• Wartyna "Nina" Davis  
• Ted Gamble  
• Carlos Pomares

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## Fall-Winter 2017 Events

### Bloomfield CENTER ALLIANCE

#### ■ **Cruise Nights**

**Every Wednesday through Aug. 30, 6-9 p.m.**

Come downtown for cool cars, rocking tunes, kids corner and special guests on select nights. On Broad Street, between Franklin and Bloomfield avenues.

#### ■ **Dining Under the Stars (NEW)**

**Fridays, July 14 and 28, Aug. 11 and 25**

Enjoy al fresco dining and live entertainment at restaurants on Washington and Farrand streets.

#### ■ **Dinner and A Show**

**(a BCA collaboration with Westminster Arts Center)**

Exclusive specials at participating restaurants. Upcoming shows include "Ragtime the Musical," Sept. 22-24; "Music of Maurice Chedid," Dec. 2-3.

#### ■ **Trunk or Treat**

**Saturday, Oct. 28, noon-3 p.m.**

Show off your thematic car trunk decorating skills. Farrand St. parking lot.

#### ■ **Harvest Fest**

**Saturday, Oct. 7, 11 a.m.-6 p.m.**

Enjoy nonstop live music, the vendor marketplace, carnival rides and amusements, food aplenty and the Harvest Beer Garden.

#### ■ **Holiday Window Design Contest**

**December** - Downtown stores will compete in BCA's second annual window design contest. Help determine the "People's Choice" winner!

**Bloomfield Center Alliance**

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