

Annual Fall Town-wide Cleanup

The Township of Bloomfield is coming together for a town-wide cleanup on Saturday, October 21, from 8:00 - 12:00 PM Noon, in collaboration with local schools, community groups, and residents.

Residents are encouraged to spread the word about the town-wide cleanup and to get involved by volunteering their time. Anyone interested in participating can sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/cleanfall/>. The deadline to sign up is October 14.

Residents may also report any quality of life issues they observe directly to the Township as part of the new Clean & Strong Bloomfield program. To report an issue, please visit the program website and complete the form at: <https://www.bloomfieldtwpnj.com/1472/Report-an-issue>.

This event is sponsored by the Bloomfield Beautification Committee. If residents are interested in joining the Bloomfield Beautification Committee, they should contact Councilwoman Mundell at jmundell@bloomfieldtwpnj.com or the Bloomfield Beautification Committee at beautifulbloomfield@gmail.com.

FALL TOWN-WIDE CLEANUP DAY

Saturday, October 21
8 am to 12 pm

Gather Your Team, Pick Your Location, and Sign up!

SIGN UP DEADLINE

October 14th

<https://tinyurl.com/cleanfall>



Sponsored by Mayor Venezia, The Town Council & the Bloomfield Beautification Committee

Join Mayor Venezia's Thanksgiving Turkey Giveaway

Mayor Venezia will once again provide turkey's including other Thanksgiving related food to members of the community in need. The giveaway will take place on Sunday, November 19 in the back parking lot of the Municipal building between 9:30 - 11:00 AM. Rain or shine the Mayor and Council will be outside distributing food so that families have what they need to make the holiday special.

Spots are limited slots so participants must register in advance.

Registration opens October 16 on the Township website or call Human Services at (973) 680-4017.

Bloomfield Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Department

Fall Programs 2023

Our traditional fall programming is underway and classes are filling up quickly. There are still several programs that do not begin until October so please visit our digital program guide for more information! Check out our new Polymer Clay Class!

Our Popular Photography Class and Fundamentals of DJ'ing class will take place on Tuesday and Thursday evenings respectively.

FALL 2023 RECREATION GUIDE

SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER

- Additional assistance will be provided to children with special needs.
- All Programs will have a minimum and maximum class participation requirement
- \$ 10 Out-of-town fee for all programs.

Registration Begins

Wednesday, September 6th at 10:00 am

Bloomfield Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs uses Community Pass to make it easy and convenient for residents to register for programs and events online. Classes can be found under Fall Programs 2023. You can also register in person at the Civic Center, or by phone at 10:00 am

- 84 Broad Street, Bloomfield, NJ 07003
- (973) 743-9074

 Register for Classes

 Contact Us!

Senior Citizen Club Membership

Why join Senior Citizen Club?

Meetings every 3rd Thursday of the Month

\$2 off traditional seasonal Senior Programs

\$5 off trips and excursions

FREE monthly meetings/functions

(\$10 for non-members)

2023 Girls Volleyball League

All 7th & 8th grade girls are encouraged to try out for the Bloomfield Suburban Volleyball Team! If you are not selected for the team you will automatically be placed on an In-town team.

TRY-OUT DATES:

Tue. Sept. 12th & Thurs. Sept. 14th
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm @ BHS Main Gym

Pre-Registration Fee - \$25.00

An additional \$35.00 will be required if you are chosen for the Suburban Team

You must be a Bloomfield Resident to play Suburban Volleyball. If you do not live in town but attend a private school in Bloomfield, there is an additional \$10.00 fee.

In-Town times and dates are tentatively set for Wednesdays from 7:00 pm- 9:00 pm at BHS.

Registration is now open.



Bloomfield Mandolin Orchestra Musical Performance

The Bloomfield Mandolin Orchestra will present a musical concert celebrating Hispanic & Italian Culture and Heritage. Pre-purchase of \$10 tickets can be done via www.bloomfieldrecreation.org. Light refreshments will be served. All proceeds from this event support to the Bloomfield Mandolin Orchestra.

Monday, October 2nd – 7:00pm – 8:30pm - Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center



"A Celebration of Hispanic & Italian Culture and Heritage"
A performance of traditional Italian, Neapolitan and Hispanic of Music
in recognition of Hispanic Heritage Month and Italian Culture Month



Date: Monday, October 2, 2023

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center
240 Belleville Avenue, Bloomfield, NJ 07003

General Admission: \$10

Tickets must be pre-purchased via
www.bloomfieldrecreation.org

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The Bloomfield Mandolin Orchestra is under the aegis of the Bloomfield Federation of Music and is supported by the Bloomfield Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Department. To learn more about the Bloomfield Mandolin Orchestra, email bmomandolin@gmail.com.



Open Mic/Jam Session

Chuck Salamone of His & Her Music and BPRCA Instructor will lead an Open Mic/Jam Session on Friday, October 20th in the solarium. Walk-ins are welcome but space is limited for both musicians and spectators. We held an informal get together in August & September and it was electric! First come first served.

Friday, October 20th – 7:00pm – 9:00pm - Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center

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live MUSIC



FRIDAY
NIGHTS

SEPT 22

OCT 20

NOV 24

DEC 22



OPEN JAM SESSION



OAKESIDE BLOOMFIELD
CULTURAL CENTER
240 BELLEVILLE AVE, BLFD
7:00PM - 9:00PM

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - SEATING IS LIMITED

COME WITH A PREPARED PIECE OR ARRIVE WITH YOUR INSTRUMENT AND JOIN IN ON THE MUSICAL CONVERSATION. ENJOY A 2 HOUR SESSION OF MUSIC GUIDED BY A PROFESSIONAL HOUSE BAND. ALL SKILL LEVELS ARE WELCOME TO SHARE IN THIS MUSICAL EXPERIENCE.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE EMAIL BPRCA INSTRUCTOR CHUCK SALAMONE

AT CHARLES.ASALAMONE@GMAIL.COM OR CALL 973-743-9074

Friday Fun Night

Back by popular demand, Friday Fun Night will return this fall, starting Friday, October 20th and November 17th! Parents can drop off your kids at the Civic Center for themed activities, dinner and supervision by our fun and energetic staff! Parents can then spend a night on the town, catch up on errands or just enjoy some kid-free alone time!

This program is for Bloomfield residents in grades K – 6. Registration will be open October 2nd at 10:00 am via www.bloomfieldrecreation.org. Mark your calendars for Drop & Shop on December 8th 15th!

Friday, October 20th – 6:00pm – 9:00pm - Bloomfield Civic Center

FRIDAY FUN NIGHT

OCTOBER 20TH

6:00PM-9:00PM



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Drop off your child (grades k-6) at the Bloomfield Civic Center (84 Broad St.) for a fun night filled with Halloween themed games and crafts.

Make sure to come in your
Halloween costumes!

Registration opens October 2nd
at
www.bloomfieldrecreation.org
via Community Pass

**\$20 Per
Child, Per
Session**

**For more info call
973-743-9074**

Halloween Spooktacular

Our Annual Halloween Spooktacular is geared for your toddler or elementary school aged child (with parental supervisor). They will have the opportunity to trick or treat, pick their own mini pumpkin in our pumpkin patch, participate in a costume contest and take photos. There will be a children's magic show and to close out this great event, a showing of Charles Schulz's - It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown at Dusk.



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HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21ST.

ON THE HISTORIC GREEN ACROSS FROM THE CIVIC CENTER - 84 BROAD ST.

4:00PM LIGHT REFRESHMENTS, TRICK OR TREATING,
BEAN BAG TOSS, GUESS THE AMOUNT OF CANDY
CORN, PUMPKIN PATCH, AND OUR COSTUME CONTEST.

5:00PM MAGIC SHOW

6:00PM COSTUME CONTEST WINNER ANNOUNCED!!!

6:15PM WATCH IT'S THE GREAT PUMPKIN CHARLIE BROWN

WWW.BLOOMFIELDRECREATION.ORG 973-743-9074

Yoga, Coffee & Community

Gather with your community for donation based Yoga classes and offerings from local vendors.

All participants are encouraged to arrive at 11:00am. Sweet Trail Bakery will sell coffee and baked goods. Flora Joy will have beautiful flowers for sale and Enchantress Thee Babblar will offer tarot card readings. The Bloomfield Parks,

Recreation & Cultural Affairs Department will provide fruit and veggie platters and water for all in attendance.

Sunday, October 22 - 11:00am – 1:00pm - Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center

Vinyasa Flow Yoga with Kristen from ZURA in the Solarium - 11:30am - 12:30pm

Slow Flow Yin Yoga with Kristin and Taryn from Iris Yoga in the Living Room - 11:45am - 12:45pm



Bloomfield Township Presents
YOGA, COFFEE & COMMUNITY
at Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center
Sunday 10/22, 11am-1pm

FEATURING



IRIS YOGA

&



ZURA



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lululemon

\$20 suggested donation collected for Neighbor to Neighbor

Haunted Pumpkin Patch

Come take a stroll through our spooky jack-o-lantern pumpkin patch on the grounds of the Oakeside Cultural Center – 240 Belleville Ave. The event is FREE for spectators and the carving contest is open to adults and children 10 and up. All artists will receive a free pumpkin and candle. (1 per family. Families can submit up to 3 separately purchased pumpkins.) Sign-up deadline is Friday October 13th. Pumpkins can be picked up on or after Thursday, October 19th for carving. To register for your free pumpkin please visit www.bloomfieldrecreation.org

Saturday, October 28th – 7:00pm – 9:00pm - Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center

HAUNTED PUMPKIN PATCH



**JACK - O - LANTERN CARVING CONTEST
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28TH**

7:00PM - 9:00PM

OAKESIDE BLOOMFIELD CULTURAL CENTER

**COME TAKE A STROLL THROUGH OUR SPOOKY
JACK-O-LANTERN PUMPKIN PATCH. THIS EVENT IS
FREE FOR SPECTATORS AND THE CARVING CONTEST IS
OPEN TO RESIDENTS AGES 10 AND UP AS WELL AS
ADULTS & FAMILIES!**

**ALL ARTISTS WHO ENTER WILL RECEIVE A FREE
CARVING PUMPKIN AND LED CANDLE.
1 FREE PUMPKIN PER HOUSEHOLD BUT YOU CAN
SUBMIT UP TO 3 PUMPKINS.**

**PRE - REGISTRATION (FIRST 50 RESIDENTS)
IS REQUIRED BY 10/19**

913-743-9074 OR WWW.BLOOMFIELDRECREATION.ORG

PUMPKINS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP ON 10/19

A Nightmare on Broadway

Join the Bloomfield Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs department as we collaborate with Skyline Theatre Company to offer our community a musical revue recognizing Broadway's most thrilling and chilling showtunes and wickedly fun tales!

Come have a fa-BOO-lous afternoon with your family at Oakeside!

Tickets can be purchased via <https://skylinetheatrecompany.org> Prices are between \$15 - \$20.

Skylines Theatre Company's 2023 Season

Live Professional Theatre this Fall at
the Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center!

**BROADWAY
IN CONCERT:
WORKING
THE MUSICAL**

Sept 16, 2023
7 pm

Delight in Broadway's musical celebration of the American worker in this NYC Encores-style concert featuring music by Stephen Schwartz, James Taylor and Lin-Manuel Miranda.



Tickets range from \$20-25. Scan to
learn more and reserve your seats!

Don't miss the rest of our shows:

**A NIGHTMARE
ON BROADWAY**

Oct 29, 2023
4 pm

Come have a fa-BOO-lous afternoon with your family at our ghoulishly fun musical revue recognizing Broadway's most thrilling and chilling showtunes and wickedly fun tales!

Bring the whole family and join your community for a jolly fun and musical afternoon of sing alongs, carols and holiday stories. Suitable for kids from 1 to 92!

**HOLIDAY
CAROLS &
STORIES**

Dec 10, 2023
4 pm

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Oakeside Cultural Center | 240 Belleville Ave | Bloomfield, NJ 07003

Skylines Theatre Company is a 20 year-old professional theatre company
in its debut season in beautiful Bloomfield.

www.skylinetheatrecompany.org | @skylinetheatrecompany

Monday Night Music

Join us for our 10th installment of our extremely popular Monday Night Music Series at the Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center. On Monday, October 30th please join us as at 7:00 pm as we present Gabriel Anthony – Muhammad, tenor. Immediately following his 1 hour performance coffee, tea and dessert will be served. While the performances are free, pre-registration is required and begins the 1st of each month at 10:00 am via www.bloomfieldrecreation.org

Monday, October 30th – 7:00pm – 8:30pm - Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center

Monday Night MUSIC

at Oakeside Cultural Center

*The Bloomfield Parks, Recreation
& Cultural Affairs Department
is excited to continue our monthly concert series.*



The Oakeside Cultural Center, located at 240 Belleville Avenue, has long been a hub for artists and musicians in Bloomfield and surrounding communities. With this concert series, we're excited to open our doors to musicians representing a wide variety of musical styles who are eager to share their exceptional talents with our community in an exceptional venue.

Admission is free, though we will graciously accept donations to our Financial Assistance program at the time of registration.

Registration is required due to limited indoor capacity (approx. 60 people). Pre-registration will open up on the 1st of each month at 10am via our website www.bloomfieldrecreation.org for the concert later on that same month. For more information please call 973-743-9074.

All performances begin at 7pm, followed by a "meet the artist" light reception at 8pm.

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Concerts are supported by an Essex County Local Arts Grant

SEPTEMBER–DECEMBER 2023

Concert Schedule

MONDAY EVENINGS

7:00 PM



Monday, September 25
Jersey City Sax Quartet



Monday, November 27
Julie Passaro, trombone
Wes Krygsman, tuba



Monday, October 30
Gabriel
Anthony-Muhammad
tenor



Monday, December 18
Holiday Music Program
Artist to be announced

Suburban Basketball – Boys & Girls Basketball Tryouts & Evaluations 5th 6th, 7th & 8th Grade

All players wishing to play basketball this winter get ready for Suburban Travel and Intown Basketball!

Pre-registration is required prior to evaluations.

On-line registration begins Wednesday, October 4th @ 10:00am via
www.bloomfieldrecreation.org

Pre-Registration Fee on or before 10/20/2023 = \$65.00

Pre-Registration Fee after 10/20/2023 = \$70.00

All tryouts will be held at Bloomfield High School – 160 Broad Street between 5:00pm – 10:00pm. Please see the flyers for exact dates and times based on grade level and gender.

* Times, dates, and location are subject to change*

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5TH GRADE

BOYS & GIRLS BASKETBALL

TRYOUTS/EVALUATIONS

We are looking to enter a 5th Boys & 5th grade girls team in the Suburban Traveling League

**November
1st**

BHS
160 Broad St.

Girls - 6:00pm - 7:30pm
Boys - 7:30pm - 9:00pm

Pre-registration is required.
There is NO FEE to tryout.
If you are selected for the traveling team there will be a \$80.00 fee per player.



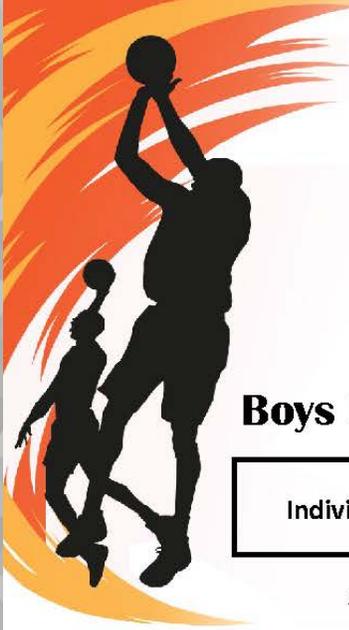
You must live in Bloomfield and participate in the Home & School League to be considered for the team.

Registration Link

www.bloomfieldrecreation.org

More Information

973-743-9074



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84 Broad Street, Bloomfield, NJ 07003

Main Office: 973-743-9074

Weather Update: 973-743-7593

www.bloomfieldrecreation.org



2023 - 2024

6th, 7th, & 8th Grade

Boys Basketball Tryouts & Evaluations

Individual 6th grade team, 7th grade team & 8th grade team.

All players wishing to play basketball this winter should attend all three tryouts/evaluations. If you are not selected for the Suburban team you will automatically be placed on an In-town team.

All evaluations will be held at Bloomfield High School - 160 Broad Street

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	8th	6:15 - 7:15PM
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Wednesday, November 8th	6th & 7th	5:00 - 6:00PM
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Pre-Registration is required & begins **10/4/23**. A spot can't be guaranteed the day of the tryouts

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(Please make checks payable to Bloomfield Recreation Department)*

**** You must be a Bloomfield Resident to play Suburban Basketball ****

**** If you do not live in town but attend a private school in Bloomfield, there will be an additional \$10 fee to play intown basketball**

**** Registration Hours:**

On-line anytime@www.bloomfieldrecreation.org

Monday - Fridays 8:30AM - 4:30PM

Wednesday Nights 6:00PM - 8:30PM

In-Town times and dates are tentatively set for Mon—Fri from 6:00PM- 9:00PM at the Bloomfield Middle School

~ Times, dates, and locations are subject to change ~



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2023 - 2024 6th, 7th, & 8th Grade Girls Basketball Tryouts & Evaluations

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Senior Organization is back at the Bloomfield Civic Center

Membership Dues: \$20 and last until August 31, 2024

Members meet on the 3rd Thursday of every month. However the group will meet for our Annual Halloween Event and Costume Contest on Thursday October 26th!

Why should you join the Senior Organization?

- \$2 off traditional senior seasonal programming
- \$5 off trips/excursions
- Enjoy **FREE** monthly meetings/gatherings (\$10 for non-members)

The more you participate, the greater the savings!

Upcoming Senior Citizen Excursions:

Hunterdon Hills - October 20th - Tina Turner Tribute

Hunterdon Hills - December 14th - Christmas at the Playhouse

(\$80 for members) (\$85 for non-members)

All prices in admission, meal and travel.

Hunterdon Hills Trips

Oct 20: Tina Turner Tribute
\$85 per ticket

Dec 14: Christmas at the
Playhouse
\$85 per ticket

Registration Begins:
September 21 2:00pm

Bus leaves at 9:30 am from the
Bloomfield Civic Center,
84 Broad St.

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973-743-3332



Senior Fitness Classes - \$20.00

We offer fitness classes for our senior community:

- Zumba Gold Group A
- Zumba Gold Group B
- Senior Exercise (Mon + Wed)
- Senior Exercise (Tues. + Thurs)
- Senior Stretch (Tues+ Thurs)

- Tai Chi Beginner
- Tai Chi Intermediate

Seniorcise – Channel 35, for Verizon Fios tune into Channel 30 - Monday – Friday 10:30 AM and 3:30 PM. A new class each day.

You can register online for our classes at www.bloomfieldrecreation.org or visit us at Bloomfield Civic Center 84 Broad St. For more information, call 973-743-3332.

9/1/2023

Fall 2023

SENIOR PROGRAMS

84 Broad Street, Bloomfield, NJ 07003
Tel#: 973-743-3332
www.bloomfieldrecreation.org

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Senior Coordinator: Neyden Kinch-Sousa (nsousa@bloomfieldtwpnj.com)

Classes meet @ Bloomfield Civic Center, 84 Broad St. **Register for classes via Community Pass.**

SENIOR EXERCISE- \$20

(\$20) Mon. & Wed. 11 am - 12 pm

Sep 25th - Dec 4th No Class 10/9

(\$20) Tues. & Thurs. 10 am - 11 am

Sep 26th - Dec 5th No Class 11/23

Senior exercise is a low-impact class designed especially for seniors to stay active and get fit at their own pace.

SENIOR STRETCH - \$20

Tues. & Thurs. 11 am – 11:30 am

Sep 26th - Dec 5th No Class 11/23

The class is free if you are already registered for Senior Exercise

T'AI CHI EXERCISE-\$20

Mon. 10-11 am **Oct 16th - Dec 18th**

(\$20) Intermediate (10-11 am)

(\$20) Beginner (11-12 pm)

T'ai Chi is an ancient Chinese practice that uses specific movements as exercise. T'ai Chi is great for flexibility, upper/lower body strength, and balance.

ZUMBA GOLD - \$20

Wed. and Fri. **Sep 27th -Dec 15th**

Group A: 10 am-10:45 am (Wed)

12 pm-12:45 pm (Fri)

No class 10/4, 11/8, 11/10, 11/24

Group B: 11 am-11:45 (Wed & Fri)

No class 10/4, 11/8, 11/10, 11/24

Zumba Gold is for active, older adults who are looking for a modified Zumba class that recreates the original moves they love at a lower intensity.

SENIOR ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP- \$20

Meet once a month @ Bloomfield Civic Center for holiday functions/gatherings. Also, go on trips and excursions. Yearly membership is valid until August 31st 2024

Registration underway

Membership Perks:

\$2 off traditional seasonal senior programs

\$5 off trips and excursions

FREE monthly meetings/functions **\$10 for non-members**



Special Needs Programming

The Bloomfield Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Department's Special Needs Programming is getting ready to kick off with the new school year. We offer three unique programs for our special needs community ages 7 – 17 and 18 and older. All programs are designed to promote inclusion, self-confidence, social interaction and life skills.

To find out more information about our special needs programs please view the or contact John Balz at 973-725-4485.

SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAMMING

THE CARE STATION

The CARE Station is an after-school program for Bloomfield students ages 7 to 16 years old. It is held at Carteret Elementary School from 3:30pm until 6:00pm. The program follows the Bloomfield Public School calendar and is held when school is in session.

This program is designed to address the academic, social and recreational needs of all of our participants. Activities include academic tutoring by a certified teacher, recreational opportunities such as yoga, karate, cooking, dance and art class. A daily afterschool snack is provided.

The Bloomfield Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Department is fortunate to receive funding from a Recreational Opportunities for Individuals with Disabilities (ROID) Grant to help fund this worthwhile program.

FRIDAY NIGHT CANTEEN

Friday Night Canteen is a program that meets on Friday nights for special needs students who are 7 to 17 years old. It is held at Carteret Elementary School on Friday Nights starting in October.

This program is designed to allow the participants to experience new activities for the first time while simultaneously promoting social skill development.

While some events take place at Carteret Elementary School, several fun and exciting trips are planned such as Apple Picking, UNICO Holiday Party, Medieval Times, Casino Pier and Adventure Aquarium.

HORIZONS PROGRAM

The Horizons Program is the "big brother" to Friday Night Canteen as it is designed to provide opportunities for Bloomfield special needs students 18 and older. It starts in October and meets on Friday nights and coincides with the Bloomfield Public School calendar.

This unique program is considered an "out-and-about program" as weekly activities are planned to expose the participants to community businesses and activities. The program promotes social interaction and life skills. A monthly calendar is distributed showing the activities for the month.

Monthly activities include dinner, movie night, pizza and painting, night at the races and trips to Papermill Play House.

*For more information on any of our special needs offerings
please contact John Balz at (973) 725-4485.*

Bloomfield Community Farmer's Market Continues Through the October!

The Bloomfield Community Farmer's Market will take place every Tuesday from 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm until October 31st in the Bloomfield Public Library Courtyard, 90 Broad St, Bloomfield, NJ.

We have partnered with City Green who will bring their Veggie Mobile each week and will have fresh produce. They accept Visa, MasterCard, American Express as well as SNAP, WIC FMNP, Senior FMNP, WIC CVV and Good Food Bucks.

We have several additional vendors that will participate on a weekly basis and will be selling a wide variety of produce, food products and specialty items.

Each week we will host a Local Spotlight Vendor that will offer information, products or services to our community. A local food truck will be in attendance each week as well!

The Bloomfield Health & Human Services Department will be on hand providing helpful information to assist residents in need with available services and \$20 in Market Cash each week to qualified attendees. Several other township departments will have information tables as well!

For your entertainment, DJ Corey will be playing music! Please come out and join us!

The Bloomfield Community Farmers Market is seeking food vendors for the month of October! Food vendors that are able to offer fruits, vegetables, seafood, meats and ready to go meals are encouraged to contact Michael Scurman at mscurman@bloomfieldtwpnj.com or call 973-743-9074.



Don't miss it!

TUESDAYS, JUNE 6-OCTOBER 31

3:30PM - 6:30PM

BLOOMFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

COURTYARD

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Public Art Mural – Recreation Maintenance Garage – Spring Steet

The Bloomfield Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Department is currently seeking proposals for a scheduled Public Art Mural on the Recreation Maintenance Garage at Memorial Park.

PROJECT GOALS:

- Artwork should beautify the public realm and improve the cultural vibrancy of the space
- Create a welcoming and inclusive atmosphere for Memorial Park
- Artwork should be visually striking and colorful in order engage the viewer
- Artwork must be considered "family-friendly" or suitable for audiences of all ages
- Mural must be an original, one-of-a-kind, new work. If known images are used, the artist is responsible for obtaining all copyright permission and paying all license fees. Copies of permissions and licenses must be submitted with original proposal
- Mural should be representative of the cultural diversity of the Bloomfield

community

To submit a proposal please visit www.bloomfieldtwpnj.com and download the proposal packet.

All proposals are due on Wednesday, October 4, 2023 11:30am.

Transportation Services

The Bloomfield Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Department provides free transportation services to our residents, 60 years and older and/or with disabilities Monday through Friday from 8:30am to 3:30pm.

The Senior Citizen Bus Service is a fixed route service that stops at predetermined locations and brings residents to Bloomfield shopping center in various parts of town.

The Dial A Ride Program is a “curb to curb” service that picks up residents from their home and takes them to and from the doctors (well visits) on a first come first served basis. Eligible residents can schedule rides by calling the Bloomfield Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Department’s Transportation number 973-566-7194 during regular business hours. Appointments must be made at least 72 hours in advance and are on a first come first served basis.

Commuter Shuttle Service

The North End Shuttle and South End Shuttle runs every Monday through Friday (except municipal holidays) from approximately 5:30am to 8:30am in the morning and approximately 5pm to 8:30pm in the evenings. The **North End Shuttle** has four morning routes traveling from the corners of East and West Passaic Ave. south on Broad St. to the Bloomfield Train Station on Lackawanna Place.

The South End Shuttle has six morning routes traveling east on Belleville Ave., South on Willet St. and west on Montgomery St. to the Bloomfield Station.

Both shuttles operate on a fixed route and riders will be picked up at designated times and locations along the route.

In the evening, both shuttle buses pick up riders coming off the trains and take them home in reverse order of the morning routes.

During inclement weather or NJ Transit equipment failure a **Level #1 or Level #2 service** may be implemented.

Shuttle bus passes must be purchased at the Civic Center located at 84 Broad St. Monday to Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm and Wednesday nights from 6pm to 8:30pm. Other times can be arranged by calling 973-743-9074 during normal business hours.

A 50 ride pass costs \$25 dollars. Upon entering the shuttle bus, your pass will be “punched.”

For more information or to download the most up to date schedules please visit www.bloomfieldrecreation.org or call 973-743-9074.

[CLICK THIS CLINK TO VIEW THE MOST UP-TO-DATE BUS ROUTE TIMES AND INFORMATION](#)

OTHER NEWS & EVENTS

Bloomfield Chorale Welcomes New Members!

Do you love to sing and are looking to join an established chorus? The Bloomfield Chorale is seeking all Voices. The Chorale is one of the oldest Community Choruses in New Jersey. Founded in 1933 during The Great Depression, it has been delivering Live Music to the delight of audiences since then.

Our classically trained conductor with a Masters of Music from Westminster Choir College is in her 15th season with the Chorale. With her education and experience, she always puts together wonderful Concert Programs.

We rehearse and learn in an informal atmosphere on Tuesdays from 7:30 to 9:30 and perform a wide variety of music: Classical, Folk, Pop, Show Tunes, Soft Rock, Sacred, Opera, Holiday Pieces and more!

Rehearsals for our Holiday Concert start on September 5! **Please save the date for our Holiday Concert: Saturday, December 9th at 3pm!**

We offer opportunities to solo, and our Concerts are enhanced by Guest Musicians and a talented and accomplished accompanist. Come be part of a great tradition.

Soprano, Alto, Tenor and Bass, come one, come all!

For more information or to drop in and visit us, please email bloomfieldchorale@gmail.com, call President Fran Gardella at 848-448-4335, or visit our Facebook page www.facebook.com/bloomfieldchorale.

We look forward to singing with you!



Bloomfield Division of Public Safety

Bloomfield Police Department 2023 Awards Ceremony

Thursday, September 28 at Bloomfield Town Hall

PLACEHOLDER TEXT

The Bloomfield Police Department is seeking young, motivated individuals interested in joining the Police Cadets Program. The program is geared for individuals ages 14 to 20 years old and provides young men and women with an introduction to a career in Law Enforcement, or a related field within the criminal justice system. Cadets are taught the importance of higher education, self discipline, and respect for human dignity through training, involvement in community service projects, and other cadet events. Interested candidates must fill out the pre-screening application by clicking on the link below or utilizing the QR code. If you have questions regarding the program, please email Lt. Naomi Zepeda or Sgt. Jennifer Horn at

communitypolicing@bloomfieldnjpd.com

<https://www.bloomfieldnjpd.com/FormCenter/Community-Policing-12/Bloomfield-Police-Cadets-PreScreening-Ap-56>



BLOOMFIELD
Police Department



POLICE CADETS PROGRAM

- Introduction to Law Enforcement
- Team Building Skills
- Life Skills
- Self-Discipline
- Community Involvement

- Great for Resumes
- Great for College Applications
- Great for Community Service

AGES: 14-20

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CONTACT

US NOW



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1 Municipal Plaza
Bloomfield, NJ 07003



www.bloomfieldnjpd.com

BRAVERY - PRIDE - DEDICATION

BLOOMFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT



SAFETY TIPS

- Look for fully sprinklered housing when choosing a dorm or off-campus housing.
- Make sure you can hear the building alarm system when you are in your dorm room.
- If you live in a dormitory, make sure your sleeping room has a smoke alarm, or your dormitory suite has a smoke alarm in each living area as well as the sleeping room. For the best protection, all smoke alarms in the dormitory suite should be interconnected so that when one sounds, they all sound.
- If you live in an apartment or house, make sure smoke alarms are installed in each sleeping room, outside every sleeping area, and on each level of the apartment unit or house. For the best protection, all smoke alarms in the apartment unit or house should be interconnected so that when one sounds, they all sound.
- Test all smoke alarms at least monthly.
- Never remove batteries or disable the alarm.
- Learn your building's evacuation plan and practice all drills as if they were the real thing.
- If you live off campus, have a fire escape plan with two ways out of every room.
- When the smoke alarm or fire alarm sounds, get out of the building quickly and stay out.
- Stay in the kitchen when cooking.
- Cook only when you are alert, not sleepy or drowsy from medicine or alcohol.
- Check with your local fire department for any restrictions before using a barbecue grill, fire pit, or chimenea.
- Check your school's rules before using electrical appliances in your room.

Smoking Sense

If you smoke, smoke outside and only where it is permitted. Use sturdy, deep, non-tip ashtrays. Don't smoke in bed or when you've been drinking or are drowsy.



Candle Care

Burn candles only if the school permits their use. A candle is an open flame and should be placed away from anything that can burn. Never leave a candle unattended. Blow it out when you leave the room or go to sleep.

FACT

- ! Fires in dormitories are more common during the evening hours, between 5–11 pm, and on weekends.
- ! Roughly six out of seven fires in dormitories are started by cooking.



NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
The leading information and knowledge resource on fire, electrical and related hazards

BLOOMFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT
375 Franklin Street, Bloomfield NJ
973-680-4153





FIRE SAFETY CHECKLIST FOR STUDENTS

1. Make sure your sleeping room has working smoke detectors.
2. Plan to survive ... know two ways out from your room.
3. Have food on hand that doesn't require cooking. Cooking when you've had too much to drink increases the chance you'll make a mistake or start a fire.
4. Buy flameless candles. They come in all sizes, colors and scents.
5. Make sure you know and practice a fire escape plan.
6. Talk with your roommates and determine a safe place to meet outside in case of a fire.
7. Clear exits/hallways/stairs. In case of a fire, you'll need to leave quickly.
8. Clean the dryer lint trap before and after each use. Help keep dryers safe.
9. Leave quickly when the fire/smoke alarm sounds. Spending time retrieving items increases your chances of being trapped. Leave everything and GO.
10. Friends keep friends safe from fire-related hazards. Share this checklist ... pass fire safety tips along to friends!



Fire Safety Outreach provided by:

The Center for Campus Fire Safety Student Committee
and the National Fire Protection Association
campusfiresafety.org | nfa.org

TOWNSHIP OF BLOOMFIELD OFFERS FREE SMOKE ALARMS TO RESIDENTS

The “**SAVE-A-LIFE SMOKE ALARM DISTRIBUTION CAMPAIGN**” has come to the Township of Bloomfield. This program provides free 10-year sealed battery smoke alarms for households lacking in adequate smoke alarm protection. Designed largely to assist single family home senior citizens, low-income residents, households with children and other members of the community in need, the availability of these life-saving devices will ensure that all residents have the ability of having a working smoke alarm, aiding in the increased protection of the Bloomfield community.

Interested parties may contact the Township Fire Prevention Bureau at (973)

680-4153, or complete a Request Form at bloomfieldtwpnj.com for further details and assistance. The free smoke alarms will be available while supplies last and can even be installed free of charge at the home owner's request.

Do you have questions about Zoning in Bloomfield?

Click the link below to view a list of Frequently Asked Questions and Answers for all the information you'll need to know:

<https://www.bloomfieldtwpnj.com/DocumentCenter/View/10868/Zoning---Frequently-Asked-Questions-422-PDF>

If you need additional information, please contact the Zoning Office - (973) 680-4167.

Bloomfield Board of Education



The Bloomfield Public Schools have participated in the Sandy Hook Promise, Start with Hello Week for the past _ years. In 2018, the district was recognized as the Grand Prize Winner of the Award of Excellence for its commitment. This year, The Bloomfield Schools continued the annual celebration through a variety of building-based excitement, which we are proud to share with you. Please check out our district on Instagram @07003Schools for more information.

WHY SAY HELLO?

Social isolation is the overwhelming feeling of being left out, lonely, and treated like you are invisible. It is a growing epidemic in the United States and within our schools. Young people who are isolated can become victims of bullying, violence, and/or depression. As a result, many further pull away from society, struggle with learning & social development, and/or choose to hurt themselves or others.



BLOOMFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

October Programs at the Library

- **BIGFOOT IS COMING! 10/30 @ 6pm:** Bigfoot researcher & producer of the documentary series, "In the Shadow of Big Red Eye" will be here to discuss his research expeditions searching for our most elusive (and best loved) cryptid, Bigfoot! Producer, Lead Investigator and New Jersey Native Mike Familant will share his experiences tracking down the truth behind Bigfoot (aka Sasquatch, Grassman, Skunk Ape, or Big Red Eye. Mike has been researching this amazing creature for over 13 years, and has captured some impressive evidence along the way. From the Florida Swamps to the North Country of Maine and everywhere in between. He will exhibit some extraordinary evidence backed by facts which he and his team have collected throughout his journey, along with some of the unfortunate experiences which come along with Bigfooting. A Q&A will be held after the presentation and Mike will be available after for photographs and autographs.
- **Our Stories, Our Shelves, 10/25, 6:30pm** Let Our Stories/Our Shelves put a spell on you this October with workshop leader Casey Masterson! Casey is a NJ author and librarian-to-be whose debut short story collection, *Revelations of the Raven Master*, released this August. Join us for a haunted evening of crafting the short story and discussion; bring your notebook and pen. And that noise you hear trilling through the

- air? Only the spirit of creativity (we hope).
- **Genealogy help:** Would you like help climbing your family tree? Email Lisa.Cohn@Bloomfield.bccls.org for some one-on-one assistance from a librarian who specializes in genealogy.
 - **NEW! Adult Crafting Workshop. 10/23 @6:30pm** Email bloocirc@bccls.org for more info
 - FREE Glucose Screening 10/25 @12pm
 - **How to Become a US Citizen, 10/12, 1pm-2:30pm:** US Citizenship & Immigration Services (USCIS) invites you to join the conversation! Learn about the naturalization process and what you need to become a US Citizen. USCIS representatives will be available to answer your questions.
 - **Enhancing Education, 10/7, 10am** - a presentation by Dr. Gnanaseharan Selliah, Ed.D. discussing the importance of parental involvement in children's education. Spanish translation will be provided. Registration required. Please register each attendee separately.

Book Clubs (all book clubs meet at 6:30pm): Call for date and topic

- **Mystery Book Club:** 10/24, Angels Flight by Michael Connelly
- **Monday Bookclub:** 10/2, The Cloisters by Katy Hays
- **Non-Fiction Book Club:** 10/17, Braided Sweetgrass by Robin Wall Kimmerer
- Romance, Spanish & Queer Book Clubs will return

Now circulating:

Kindle Fire tablets/hotspots circulate for 2 weeks, Dell laptops (in-library use only). 15 Chromebooks that may be borrowed by BPL cardholders for 2 weeks. Five of these Chromebooks will be bundled with Hotspots, which provide an Internet connection. These new circulating computers are part of the Library of Things and reservations to borrow them can be made at bplnj.org/library-of-things. Our [Library of Things](http://bplnj.org/library-of-things) also includes games, household tools, craft supplies and more! Check it out!

Bloomfield Library Additional Chromebooks are available from the Childrens Library for parents and caregivers here with children. These are for in-building use only. Please call the library at 973-566-6200 with any questions or email reference@bloomfield.bccls.org.

Children's Department programs:

Fall Storytime Program and Events schedule:

- **Mondays at 11am: Storytime with Ms. Cheryl** - Bring your own seating and meet us under the Storytime tent in the courtyard. In case of inclement weather we will meet in the Children's Library Theater.
- **Tuesdays at 5pm: Market Crafts with Ms. Lisa** - Stop by our table at the Farmers Market between 5 and 6pm and make a craft.
- **Wednesdays at 11am: Bilingual Storytime with Ms. Maritza, Ms. Cheryl, and special guest readers from the Bloomfield Fire and Police Departments** - Bring your own seating and meet us under the Storytime tent in the courtyard. In case of inclement weather we will meet in the Children's Library Theater.
- **Wednesdays at 5pm: Let's Lego!** - Drop in to create with us in the Children's Mezzanine between 5 and 6pm, and display your finished

product in the library for all to see! Recommended for kids age 4 and up due to choking hazard.

- **Market Boogie on 10/17 at 5pm with Ms. Cheryl and Ms. Katie from Shooting Star Dance Center** - in the Courtyard during the Farmers Market (in lieu of craft that day).
- **Saturday, Oct. 21 at 11am: Spooky Storytime in the Children's Library!** Stories, songs, snacks, crafts, and other surprises!

Municipal Clerk's Office

October Council Meetings

The October 16th Conference Meeting and the October 30th Regular Meeting will begin at 7:00pm and be open to the public. The public always has an opportunity to make public comments to the Mayor and Council during all public meetings.

The Township Council Meeting will be streaming live on Channel 35, (Comcast), Channel 30 (Verizon), or Facebook Live. A link for the livestream will be posted on the township website, www.bloomfieldtwpnj.com.

The public will be able to be **in person** in the Council Chambers, 2nd floor, Municipal Building, 1 Municipal Plaza, Bloomfield, NJ 07003. When you are called upon at the meeting, please state your name and your comment. You will have five minutes in total to speak.

Or if you have a comment or a question, you may submit it **in writing** to the Township Clerk at twpclerk@bloomfieldtwpnj.com. The Municipal Clerk will read on the record a portion of your comment during the public comment section of the meeting. You should submit your name and state your comment. The agenda as well as supporting resolutions and ordinances can be found on the township website.

Any questions should be directed to the Municipal Clerk's Office at 973-680-4015 during regular business hours, 8:30a-4:30p.

Important Election Information

Wednesday, October 4

Virtual Voter Information Session, sponsored by the Bloomfield Commission on Civil Rights (See voter information section on website for further details)
7:00pm via zoom

Tuesday, October 17

Last day to register to vote or transfer registration
(Clerk's office opens from 8:30am - 9:00pm)

Tuesday, October 31

Last day to request a vote by mail ballot by mail

Tuesday, November 7
General Election Day
Polls open from 6:00am to 8:00pm

All election questions should be directed to the Municipal Clerk's Office: **(973) 680-4015**

Early Voting: October 27-November 5 (add this new section)

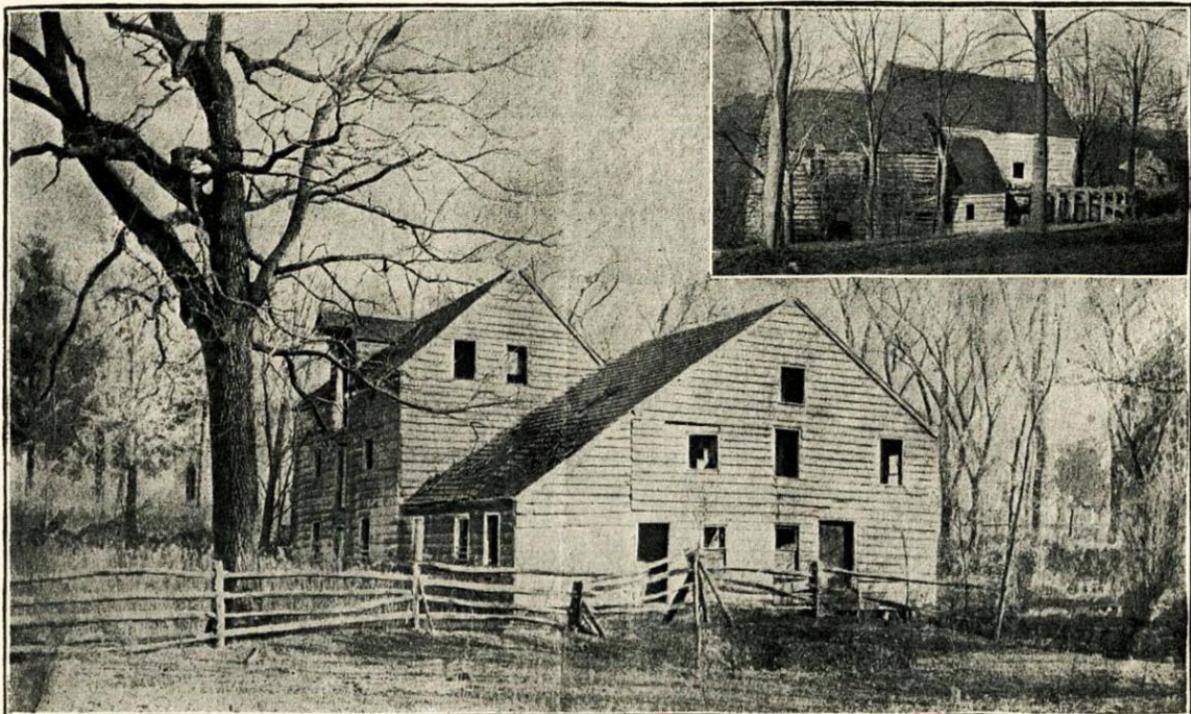
10am-8pm Monday- Saturday / Sundays 10am-6pm

Watsessing Park Community Center, 38 Conger Street, Bloomfield, NJ 07003

NO IN-PERSON VOTING ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Historical Society of Bloomfield

Historical Society of Bloomfield Presents: The History of the Early Morris Mills in Bloomfield's Brookdale Section



1719—THE OLD MORRIS MILL—1890

On Oct. 24, the Historical Society of Bloomfield will present “The History of the Early Morris Mills in Bloomfield's Brookdale Section” with Bloomfield resident Mark Wiley.

Wiley will provide a presentation on the saw and grist mills that the Morris family built in the Brookdale section of Bloomfield. The Morris family settled in Bloomfield in the late 1600s and built a saw mill in 1702 (fed by what is now

Clarks Pond). A short time later, the Morris family built a downstream grist mill located near Bay Avenue.

Wiley is a long-time resident of Bloomfield who has worked in Bloomfield as an engineer at Lummus since 1981. His hobby is conducting historical and genealogical research, with a special interest in mills, as some of Wiley's ancestors were millers.

Wiley has done extensive research on the Morris family and will explain in his presentation the mechanical workings of both saw and grist mills, as well as show videos of operating mills. Additionally, he will provide a history of the Morris family, including Ephraim Morris, the inventor of the Morris Canal inclined plane mechanism.

Join us at the Bloomfield Civic Center (84 Broad Street) on Tuesday, Oct. 24 at 7:30 PM as together we explore "The Early Morris Mills in Bloomfield's Brookdale Section."

This presentation is free and open to the public, and the venue is ADA-compliant.

Walking Tours of the Historic District



Join us for a walking tour of the Bloomfield Green Historic District. We will visit some of Bloomfield's most prominent historic sites, learn about historic architecture, explore parts of the Morris Canal Greenway, and discover some of the historic sites that have been lost over time.

Your host will be Rich Rockwell, Bloomfield Councilman at-Large.

We will pause periodically to hear the history of sites and view historical photos. Walk will be rescheduled in the event of inclement weather.

Register for a walking tour below:

Wednesday, October 11 9, 1:30 to 3:30 PM - Bloomfield Green Historic District Walk

Saturday, October 28, 9:30 to 11:30 AM - Bloomfield Green Historic District Walk

Find Events & Groups

If you'd like to attend a walk but can't make one of these dates, we will be offering future walks the second Wednesday and third Saturday of the month.

Please consider becoming a member and supporting the HSOB's important work: HSOB.org/membership.

Bloomfield Environmental Commission

Preparing Gardens for Winter

It's October ... leaves are falling and the growing season in your garden is over. But your garden can still be an important place for birds and beneficial insects, even through the winter, says the Bloomfield Environmental Commission, as long as you take the right steps now.

1) Leave the leaves. Obviously, you don't want leaves to block walkways or clog storm drains, but within your garden area, leaving fallen leaves provides overwintering habitat for fireflies and other beneficial insects as well as a "blanket" to protect underground plant life from winter's chill. And in areas where you do need to move or clear leaves, please use a rake and not a leaf blower. Raking is good exercise and leaf blowers cause pollution and destroy any under-leaf life.

2) Don't cut back "dead" flowers and stems, especially of native plants. Birds use leftover seeds for food all winter and some insects overwinter in hollow plant stems. The stems also provide nesting material for birds in the spring. Wait until next season's plants begin to emerge before trimming back this year's stems and flower heads (if nature hasn't trimmed them for you).

Bloomfield VFW Post 711 Miles A. Suarez Seeks New Members!

If you are a veteran and interested in joining, please either call the Quartermaster Carl Mercado 973-876-3067, or attend one of their monthly meetings every 3rd Tuesday at 7pm at 369 Broughton Avenue.

Department of Public Works & Park Maintenance

October Recycling Calendar and Information

Yellow = Holidays when pickups will be suspended. Garbage will be picked up on your next regularly scheduled day. Recycling is delayed until next business day.

Unshaded: COMMINGLED

(Aluminum, glass, plastic)

Shaded: CARDBOARD & MIXED PAPER

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✗ NOT Accepted in Recycling: Accepted plastic recycling codes: 1, 2, 5 ONLY

- Car/truck tires
- Molded lawn chairs
- Buckets
- Styrofoam
- Plastic bags
- Auto glass/parts
- Pyrex, ceramic cups,
- Lightbulbs
- 6-pack drink holders
- Pizza boxes
- Wrapping paper
- Plates, clay bottles & pots

- Week of 10/2 Cardboard and Mixed Paper Recycling
- *Week of 10/9 Commingled Recycling (aluminum, glass, plastic codes 1,2,5)
- Week of 10/16 Cardboard and Mixed Paper Recycling
- Week of 10/23 Commingled Recycling (aluminum, glass, plastic codes 1,2,5)
- Week of 10/30 Cardboard and Mixed Paper Recycling

*Columbus Day Holiday (October 9 only) - Recycling and Yard Waste is postponed until October 10.

Bulk Pickup

Large item pickup (no metals, appliances) occurs on the second garbage pickup day of each week. 3 items maximum.

Metals and appliances (NOT electronics) are picked up **every Tuesday**. **You must** call Department of Public Works, **(973-680-4127)**, no later than 3:00 pm on Monday for a scheduled Tuesday pickup.

- Accepted metal items include bed frames, metal curtain rods, metal hangers and loose metal pieces. Metal swing sets must be disassembled.
- Accepted appliances include refrigerators, stoves, microwaves, and air conditioners. Remove any appliance doors. Place items door side up for pickup.
- Metal paint cans are considered bulk waste. They are picked up on your second weekly garbage day. (Latex paint only, completely dried out).

If you are unsure whether an item is metal, call DPW at **973-680-4127**.

Recycling and Waste Disposal Information:

Not accepted in regular Garbage or Recycling:

- **Tires** (Car, Truck, Motorcycle, etc.) – *bring to a local tire shop/store*
- **Electronics** - Drop off Electronic Items (TV's, Computers, etc.) at the Department of Public Works Recycling Depot **every Saturday from 9:00am -1:00pm**.

- **Construction Debris** – *must be disposed of privately*

Biodegradable Bag Collection

Township regulations require that brush, branches, yard rakings and other vegetative matter be placed in biodegradable bags only for collection by the Township. Pickups will be made on the same day as recycling pickups.

Leaves shall be placed in biodegradable bags only for curbside pickup by the Township during the periods of October 15 through December 31 and April 1 through May 15 of each year.

Biodegradable bags with leaves will not be picked up during the Winter months, January 1 through March 31.

Soft vegetative waste collection will resume in the Spring.

Biodegradable bags are picked up on your recycling day. When you are filling your biodegradable bags, please put only grass, twigs, leaves, etc. (vegetative waste) into the bags. Please no garbage, papers, dirt, rocks, etc. as the Township becomes subject to fines when the bags are carted to the Vegetative Recycling Facility. In addition, bags can weigh no more than **50 lbs.**, and if possible try to make them even lighter than that (tough on the back).

Essex County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day

October 7, 8:30AM-4PM

Essex County Fleet Management

99 West Bradford Ave, Cedar Grove

Call (973) 792-9060 for more information or visit ecuanj.com for a list of acceptable and unacceptable items.

Fall Paper Shredding Event

October 14, 9AM-12PM • Pulaski Park

Parking Lot, 24 Mt. Vernon Ave

For residents only, must provide proof of residency. Not available to commercial or industrial facilities.

Essex County Computer & Electronics Collection Day

October 21, 9AM-3PM

Essex County Fleet Management

99 West Bradford Ave, Cedar Grove

Call (973) 792-9060 for more information or visit ecuanj.com

Saturday Recycling Hours

WEEKLY 9AM-1PM • Public Works Yard,

230 Grove St – No garbage or bulk drop off. Bring only mixed paper, commingled items, cardboard, metal and electronics.

Bloomfield Department of Health

[Click here to read this months Public Health Newsletter from the Bloomfield Department of Health](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Free Blood Pressure Screening

- 10/11 at Glen Ridge Train Station; 11 am – 12 pm
- 10/17 at the Bloomfield Farmers Market; 3:30 – 5:30 pm
- 10/19 at Bloomfield Civic Center; 11 am – 12 pm

Free Glucose Screening

- 10/25 at Bloomfield Public Library; 12 pm – 2 pm

Food Handler's course through the Health Department

- 11/15 at the Bloomfield Civic Center (84 Broad St)
- 9 am – 1 pm
- Fee: \$40.00

Affordable dental services for un/under-insured individuals through Zufall Mobile

- Scheduled for 10/17 in Bloomfield; 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
- For more information, email abindels@zufallhealth.org or call 973-325-2266 ext. 1381

Take Control of Your Health (Chronic Disease Self-Management Program): participants discover practical methods to deal with pain and fatigue, as well as better nutrition and exercise choices

- 6 weekly sessions; 11:00 am- 1:30 pm on Tuesdays from 11/7/2023 - 12/19/2023 (skip 12/5)
- Location: Bloomfield Civic Center; refreshments sponsored by the Bloomfield Municipal Alliance
- To register: email acirillo@bloomfieldtwpnj.com or call 973-281-2367

SAVE Cancer Screening Program through the Cancer Institute of NJ at University Hospital offers free screening (breast/ cervical/ colorectal/ prostate) to Essex County residents with no health insurance and/or from low-income background; for more information call 973-680-4058

Adult & Child Immunization Clinics most Wednesdays in the Lower Level of Town Hall by appointment only. This program is specifically for un-insured and/or under-insured individuals.

- New children \$20 (includes registration & vaccine administration fee).
Returning children \$10 (includes vaccine administration fee)

- New adults \$25 (includes registration & vaccine administration fee)
- Returning adults \$10 (includes vaccine administration fee)
- Payments must be exact cash or check
- For appointments, call the Public Health Nurses at 973-680-4058
- COVID vaccines for adults & children available during weekly clinics by appointment only.

NEW Change in Solid Waste (Garbage) Ordinance

- Garbage will no longer be allowed to be placed out for collection in just a bag. All solid waste must be stored and set at the curb in the required receptacles/containers.
- The owner or occupant of each commercial and institutional establishment or multifamily dwelling shall provide garbage containers, detachable containers or bulk containers of sufficient size and number to store the garbage and source separate recyclable items generated by the occupants or other users of such establishment or dwelling, and to otherwise maintain the premises in a clean, neat and sanitary condition at all times.
- As a reminder, suitable receptacles for household garbage, food waste, organic and putrescible solid waste collection shall mean solidly constructed receptacles made of metal or rigid plastic, in a watertight container with tight-fitting lids, handles, with a capacity of no more than 35 gallons or 50 pounds. They shall be maintained in good and serviceable condition at all times. All containers must be tightly covered or sealed to prevent spillage or leakage and the intrusion of rainwater and animals.
- Paper or plastic shopping bags and cardboard boxes are not suitable receptacles for garbage.
- This change will allow for a cleaner and neater looking neighborhood as well as do a great job in helping to minimize the attraction of rodents and other wildlife.

**THROW AWAY
YOUR TRASH!
KEEP BLOOMFIELD HEALTHY**



Always throw your trash in the correct containers (i.e. Recycling, Household garbage)

Never throw your trash in the street, yard, or



the street, yard, or
sidewalks.



Keep garbage containers
covered to prevent animal
activity.

WHY?...



Loose trash and litter can
contaminate water runoff that
can pollute local waterways.

Loose trash and litter attracts
rodents and other pests that
carry diseases.



Loose trash and litter can affect
local businesses and quality of
life for other residents.

Questions or Concerns?
Call the Health Department at (973) 680-4024



Bloomfield's Rodent Control Program: The Direct Approach

The Township of Bloomfield has taken a proactive approach to reduce and limit rodent activity within the community to help improve the quality of life

for our residents and environment. Rodents have been found to be the most troublesome and damaging vermin as they eat and contaminate food, damage building structures and properties.

Public Health Investigators/Registered Environmental Health Specialists, through active surveillance and/or citizen complaints, investigate properties throughout the Township. Residential Properties found to have rodent activity are educated on methods to eliminate rodent harborage areas and provided the option to participate in the Township Rodent Program.

This program allows residents to participate in a treatment phase for a 3-6 month interval, where a licensed Pest Control company will place a bait station on the property of concern at no cost. These bait boxes are monitored every 3-4 weeks by the Pest Control company. Bait boxes that have no observed activity will be removed 3 months from placement. If activity is observed, bait boxes can remain up to the 6 month from placement. After the 6th month, residents are notified, and bait boxes are removed and responsibility for rodent control treatment returns to property owner. As needed, ongoing surveillance by Township Inspectors is conducted to ensure property maintenance and rodent control is being achieved.

If you see rodents on your property and/or recognize increased rodent activity in your area, please contact the Health Department for an environmental assessment at 973-680-4024.

Neighbor to Neighbor Network (NTNN) Assists Those in Need

The mission of Neighbor to Neighbor Network (NTNN) is to connect Bloomfield and Glen Ridge's most vulnerable populations to volunteers using non-traditional programs to offer support to the people who would otherwise be at risk of "falling through the cracks" when they do not qualify for public resources. NTNN works closely with the dedicated staff of the Bloomfield Department of Human Services.

We remain extremely grateful for the donations we receive through NTNN to help families. Please consider making a donation to NTNN so that we may continue assisting our most vulnerable families access basic needs.

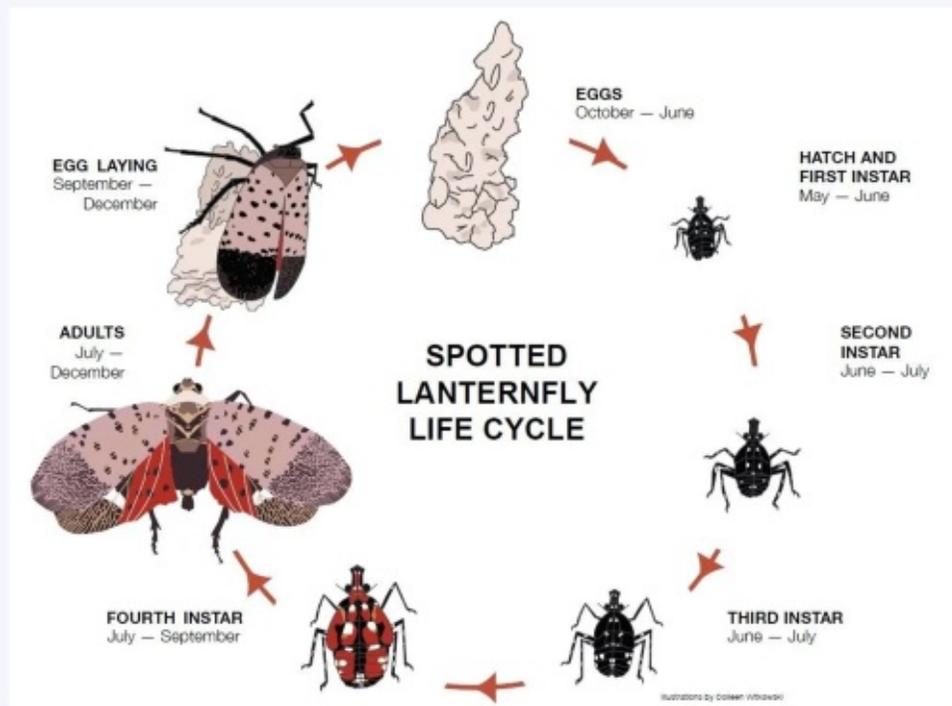
To donate and help NTNN assist others, please visit their website at:
<http://www.volunteerntnn.org/home.html>

BEWARE OF THE SPOTTED LANTERN FLY

WHAT ARE THEY? SPOTTED LANTERNFLY (SLF) IS AN INVASIVE PLANTHOPPER NATIVE TO CHINA, INDIA, AND VIETNAM. IT WAS FIRST DISCOVERED IN THE U.S. IN PENNSYLVANIA IN 2014 AND HAS SPREAD TO OTHER STATES INCLUDING NEW JERSEY, DELAWARE, MARYLAND, VIRGINIA, WEST VIRGINIA, NEW YORK, CONNECTICUT AND OHIO.

WHY YOU SHOULD CARE? SLF FEEDS ON THE PLANT SAP OF MANY DIFFERENT PLANTS INCLUDING GRAPEVINES, MAPLES, BLACK WALNUT, AND OTHER IMPORTANT PLANTS IN NJ. WHILE IT DOES NOT HARM HUMANS OR ANIMALS, IT CAN DESTROY MANY IMPORTANT AGRICULTURAL PLANTS AND REDUCE QUALITY OF LIFE.

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO? KILLING THEM BY SCRAPING EGG MASSES, STOMPING ON THEM, USING INSECTICIDAL SOAPS, STICKY TRAPS, VINEGAR OR CUTTING DOWN TREE OF HEAVEN PLANTS ARE SOME OF THE BEST SOLUTIONS!



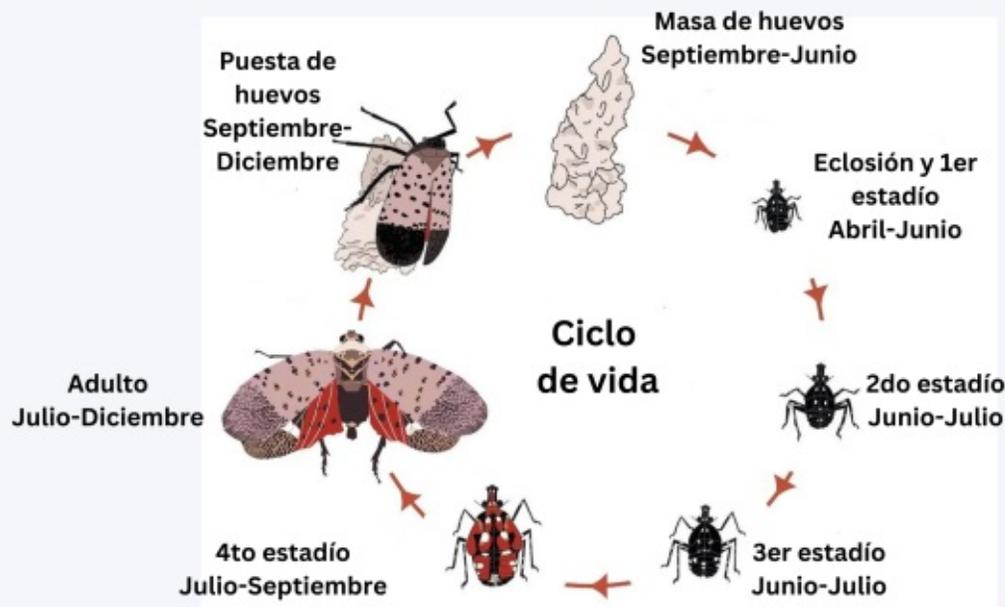
STOMP THEM OUT!

LA MOSCA LINTERNA CON MANCHAS

¿CUÁL ES ESTE INSECTO? LA MOSCA LINTERNA CON MANCHAS O EN INGLÉS, SPOTTED LANTERNFLY, ES UN INSECTO IVANSIVO QUE ATACA LAS PLANTAS. ES ORIGINARIO DE LA CHINA, INDIA Y VIETNAM. INICIALMENTE DESCUBIERTA EN LOS EE. UU EN EL 2014, EN PENNSYLVANIA. AL MOMENTO SE HA EXTENDIDO A OTROS ESTADOS, COMO NUEVA JERSEY, DELAWARE, MARYLAND, VIRGINIA, WEST VIRGINIA, NUEVA YORK, CONNECTICUT Y OHIO.

¿POR QUÉ SE DEBE ESTAR ALERTA? ESTA MOSCA SE ALIMENTA DE LA SAVIA DE DIFERENTES PLANTAS, TALES COMO VIÑEDOS, ARCES, NOGAL NEGRO Y OTRAS PLANTAS NATIVAS DE NUEVA JERSEY. LA MOSCA NO HACE DAÑO A ANIMALES NI HUMANOS, PERO PUEDE DESTRUIR MUCHAS PLANTAS AGRÍCOLAS IMPORTANTES Y AFECTAR LA CALIDAD DE VIDA DE LAS PERSONAS.

¿QUÉ DEBES HACER SI LAS VES? YA QUE ESTA MOSCA ES UNA PLAGA, SE DEBEN ELIMINAR. PUEDES REMOVER LOS HUEVOS, APLASTARLAS, UTILIZAR INSECTICIDAS, TRAMPAS, VINAGRE O REMOVIENDO UNA PLANTA LLAMADA “TREE OF HEAVEN” LA CUAL ALBERGA EN MUCHOS CASOS A ESTE INSECTO.



¡DE TENGA SU REPRODUCCIÓN!



Get help with your water and sewer bills

Call:  **2-1-1**

Or visit: **nj.gov/dca**

Benefit Screenings

Social Workers will screen residents for eligibility in programs including but not limited to:

- Food Assistance
- Monthly NJ SNAP Appointments (Food stamps)
- Affordable Care Act Assistance (Health Insurance)
- Transportation Services
- Senior Services
- Prescription Programs
- Medical/ Dental Clinics
- Mental Health Services
- Utility Assistance
- Holiday Programs

*Resources available in both Spanish and English. Language Line Solutions available for translation if needed.

Available by appointment at 1 Municipal Plaza Rm 213!



Provided by the Bloomfield Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Human Services located at **One Municipal Plaza Rm 213 Bloomfield, NJ 07003 --973-680-4017/ TTY: 1-800-852-7899**

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