

LOWER TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER

SPRING 2025



FROM THE COUNCIL...

In previous newsletters, I have highlighted the many wonderful aspects of Lower Township, and this edition will be no different. This time, I want to review the projects the Township has recently completed or is currently working on to make Lower Township a better place to live and visit.

Almost all of our parks have been upgraded, and Phase 2 of the Rotary Community Park project near the LT MUA is set to begin soon, incorporating ADA accessibility.

Additionally, we are finalizing plans for the David Douglass Sr. Memorial Park near the DRBA Ferry Terminal to enhance its role as the gateway to New Jersey, Cape May County, and Lower Township. This project includes adding ADA amenities, improving the pavilions and benches that were recently renovated, constructing additional amenities, expanding and reconstructing the parking lot, and creating a footpath. We are also in discussions with the DRBA about adding a footpath connecting Lincoln Boulevard to the park.

Our municipal pool building is currently being evaluated for renovations and ADA compliance, with work potentially beginning after the summer season.

We have completed the Delaware Bay Pump House Outfall Extension and recently received word that we should soon have approval to replace additional outfall pipes along the Delaware Bay.

In terms of infrastructure improvements, we are working to enhance roads and stormwater drainage systems in North Cape May, particularly in the area of Gorham Avenue and Holmes Avenue. Additionally, we plan to reconstruct Ridgewood Avenue from Bayshore Road to the bay, as well as Beach Avenue from Spruce Avenue to Maryland Avenue, utilizing grant funding to offset costs. Cardinal Avenue is also scheduled for resurfacing.

We remain committed to making Lower Township a better place to live while maintaining financial responsibility.

-Councilman Thomas Conrad

NEW SUMMER CAMP ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Frank Sippel noted that the Lower Township Department Parks & Recreation will be running two four-week, Monday-Friday summer camps this summer.

The first session will run from June 23 through July 18 and the second session will run July 28 through August 22. The camps are open to children entering first through the sixth grades. Each session is limited to 60 participants.

A wide range of activities will be offered including but not limited to: science activities, arts & crafts, pool days, sports, field trips, music, outdoor play, and much more!

**Lower Township resident priority registration is
April 29, 2025- May 6, 2025**

**Open registration is
May 7, 2025- May 14, 2025**

FULL SESSION (5 days a week for 4 weeks)
Resident \$360.00
Multiple sibling discount \$320.00 per child
NON Resident \$440.00
Multiple sibling discount \$400.00 per child

4 DAYS A WEEK FOR 4 WEEKS
Resident \$320.00
NON Resident \$400.00
NO SIBLING DISCOUNT FOR 4 DAYS

3 DAYS A WEEK FOR 4 WEEKS
Resident \$240.00
NON Resident \$300.00
NO SIBLING DISCOUNT FOR 3 DAYS

A STANDARD CAMP DAY IS 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Early drop off is \$10.00
Late pickup is \$10.00
Both early drop off and late pickup is still \$10.00



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THE LONGEST YARN

Lower Township residents are invited to the FREE Opening of The Longest Yarn traveling D-Day exhibit on Monday April 14 from 10am-4pm at NAS Wildwood Aviation Museum. The Longest Yarn is inspired by the 80th anniversary of D-Day, and was unveiled in Carentan, France, in the Normandy region on June 6, 2024. The Aviation Museum is located at 500 Forrestal Rd, Cape May Airport.

The display is a three-dimensional 263' wool tapestry knitted and crocheted by hundreds of volunteers from around the world. Created with the guidance of historians retained by the project to ensure historical accuracy, the creator has carefully chosen each scene to depict the events of D-Day. A second opportunity to see the exhibit for FREE will be on the evening of the Lower Township Chamber of Commerce Business Expo, Tuesday April 29 from 5pm-7pm.

The Longest Yarn will remain on display through Labor Day 2025. Regular museum admission will be required after the free opening.



A THREAD THROUGH HISTORY

Unique Traveling D-Day Exhibit

Naval Air Station Wildwood Aviation Museum is honored to be the first stop in America for this remarkable tribute.

4 • 14 • 25 • 9 • 01 • 25
10 am - 4 pm Daily
Included with regular museum admission

- 80-meter-long knitted and crocheted collection of three-dimensional dioramas.
- Created to honor the 80 years since D-Day.
- Each panel portrays a different scene from the 80 days between the Normandy landings and the liberation of Paris.
- Some panels pay tribute to real WWII veterans.
- Crafted with historical accuracy and guidance from experts.

Naval Air Station Wildwood
Aviation Museum
500 Forrestal Road
Cape May, NJ 08204
www.usnasw.org



From Carentan, France to Cape May, NJ





SPRING LEAF AND BRANCH 2025 CALENDAR

STARTING APRIL 7, 2025

RT#9 (CHURCH STREET TO TRANQUILITY PARK), SCHELLENGER'S LANDING, DIAMOND BEACH, SOUTH OF CANAL, JONATHAN HOFFMAN ROAD, SHAWCREST, BREAKWATER ROAD (FISHING CREEK ROAD TO SEASHORE ROAD), SHUNPIKE ROAD, TABERNACLE ROAD, SEASHORE ROAD, TOWNBANK ROAD (SHERIFF TAYLOR BLVD. TO SEASHORE ROAD), ERMA PARK, AND GOLDSRING.

STARTING APRIL 21, 2025

CAPEWOODS, FISHING CREEK ROAD, BAYGARDENS, SCHOONER LANDING, BREAKWATER RD. (FISHING CREEK ROAD TO BAYSHORE ROAD), MICKELS RUN, BAYSHORE WOODS, BAYWOOD PARK, HOLLY ESTATES, KECHMECHE 1 AND 2, LENNOX ACRES, RABBIT RUN, BAYSHORE EAST, TOWNBANK ROAD (SHERIFF TAYLOR BOULEVARD TO BAYSHORE ROAD).

STARTING MAY 5, 2025

TAHOE DRIVE TO TOWNBANK ROAD, CAPE MAY BEACH, NORTH CAPE MAY, BAYSHORE ESTATE, BAYSHORE ROAD (BREAKWATER ROAD TO FERRY ROAD), BAYSHORE WEST, TOWNBANK ROAD (BAYSHORE ROAD TO BEACH DRIVE).

STARTING MAY 19, 2025

WEST VILLAS-MIAMI AVENUE TO SHADELAND AVENUE, BAYSIDE VILLAGE, SHAWMOUNT AVENUE.

STARTING JUNE 2, 2025

EAST VILLAS-MIAMI AVENUE TO LOWER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

LEAVES MUST BE LOOSE CURBSIDE. NO BAGGED LEAVES. DO NOT BLOCK DRAIN FLOW. BRANCHES UP TO 7' IN LENGTH & NO LARGER THAN 6" IN DIAMETER. MAY BE PLACED CURBSIDE ONE WEEK BEFORE YOUR SCHEDULED TIME.
SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE 609-884-0898



EGG HUNT

The Easter Egg Hunt/ Spring Fling is a Spring-time activity for children up to and including the fourth grade.

Children are divided into age groups and each "Hunt" in their own area. The children "Hunt" for eggs filled with goodies and golden coins for special prizes. Children will receive a bag to put their treasures in. The Easter Bunny will be at the event to visit with everyone.

The Easter Egg Hunt portion of the day's events begins promptly at 12:30pm. Additional attractions such as facepainting, food, music, and children's programming are scheduled as part of the Spring Fling portion of the event from 11:00am-2:00pm.

The Easter Egg Hunt/ Spring Fling is coordinated by the Lower Township Department of Parks and Recreation.

REMINDERS

Lower Township Council Meetings will be held on the first and third Mondays of each month, beginning at 5:00 p.m. in the meeting room of Lower Township Hall, located at 2600 Bayshore Road, unless otherwise noted. For a complete list of meeting dates and times, visit the township website at: TownshipofLower.org.

All dogs over the age of six months shall be required to be licensed, and a license for same shall be obtained and attached to the harness or collar of each dog prior to January 31 of each and every year.

Looking for township forms, helpful links, tax payment portal, want to make a suggestion, contact a certain department or report a pothole? Visit the township website at: townshipoflower.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL 12, 2025 11:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

EASTER EGG HUNT - SPRING FLING
FREEMAN DOUGLASS PARK

APRIL 12, 2025 9:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

BEACH SPRING SWEEP
VILLAGE ROAD AND BAY DRIVE BEACH ENTRANCE

APRIL 12, 2025 9:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

LOWER CAPE MAY LITTLE LEAGUE OPENING DAY

MAY 23, 2025 5:30 P.M.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT - LTPD BIKE RODEO
CLEM MULLIGAN PARK

MAY 26, 2025 11:00 A.M.

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE
VFW POST 5343

MAY 31, 2025 8:30 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.

LOWER TOWNSHIP HEALTHY YOUTH COALITION
BEACH CLEANUP - DAVID DOUGLAS PARK TO TOWNBANK

JUNE 7, 2025 9:00 A.M.

SHRED DAY
BEHIND LOWER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL HALL

ONGOING EVENTS

MONDAYS AND WEDNESDAY 9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

OPEN PLAY PICKLE BALL

EVERY THURSDAY AT 6:00 P.M.

ADULT YOGA
MILLMAN CENTER

EVERY MONDAY FROM 7:30 P.M. - 9:30 P.M.

ADULT NIGHT
RECREATION CENTER

ALL EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE OR CANCELLATION

Township of Lower

2600 Bayshore Road, Villas, NJ 08251

609-886-2005

<https://townshipoflower.org/>

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

LOWER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING - (609) 886-2005

LOWER TOWNSHIP RECREATION DEPARTMENT - (609) 886-7880

POLICE NON-EMERGENCY NUMBER - (609) 886-1619

TO MAKE A POLICE REPORT: CAPE MAY COUNTY DISPATCH - (609) 886-2711

FOR ANIMAL CONTROL: SHORE ANIMAL CONTROL - 1 (800) 351-1822

MUA OFFICE - (609) 886-7146

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**Emergency Alerts, Traffic & Weather
Advisories, Local News and Events via:**

Phone Call, Text, Email or Mobile App



Set your messaging preferences when you register.
Download the Smart911 app after registering.

Sign Up at Police, Township or MUA websites

If you need assistance with registering, contact the Township Clerk's office at 609-886-2005, extension 100, between 8:30 am & 4:30 pm.

LT Alerts is Replacing Nixle
Nixle messages will end on 6-30-22

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