



Eastampton Township News

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and Council Member Jay Springer present...*

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Eastampton Township News is generally published on a monthly basis to provide residents with pertinent information and reminders related to Eastampton Township and the surrounding area. The Township views this as another important means of keeping residents informed about our community.

1. **Eastampton “Easter Magic Show” Will Be Held on Friday, March 11 at the Eastampton Community School at 7 pm.** A magic show performed by magician Mark Wurst will begin at 7:15pm, followed by pictures and treats with the bunny. A balloon artist will also be on site for this year’s event. There is no admission fee for the event and light refreshments will be available for sale.
2. **Eastampton Township Receives “New Jersey’s Leading Infrastructure Project Award” from New Jersey Alliance for Action for Solar Farm Project.** Council Member Jay Springer accepted the award on behalf of Township Council at an awards ceremony in Edison, New Jersey on February 17. The 12.93 megawatt-dc solar farm, located on the closed L & D Landfill, is the largest landfill solar farm in the United States. The 41,720 solar panels will generate enough electricity to power more than 2,000 average-size homes annually. The L&D Landfill Solar Farm is the twenty-seventh centralized “Solar 4 All” project and the eight built on a landfill or brownfield site. The 50 acre site, most of which is located in

Eastampton Township, is owned by Waste Management of New Jersey and operated by PSE&G.



Council Member Jay Springer (far right) accepts the “New Jersey’s Leading Infrastructure Project Award” from the New Jersey Alliance for Action.

- 3. Mayor Robert Apgar Presented a Proclamation to Eastampton Resident Thaddeus Gravely for his Promotion to Chief Master Sergeant.** Chief Master Sergeant Gravely enlisted in the Air Force in 1992 as a Heating Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Specialist and has served in numerous leadership positions within the Civil Engineering and Communications functional communities. He has been deployed in support of Operation Southern Watch, Enduring Freedom and Inherent Resolve, stationing at locations in Texas, Arizona, Saudi Arabia, South Korea, Germany, Afghanistan and New Jersey. Chief Master Sergeant Gravely previously served as a First Sergeant, most recently for the 86th Munitions Squadron at Ramstein Air Base in Germany. Chief Master Sergeant Gravely is currently the Superintendent of 87th Civil Engineer Squadron and is responsible for operations and maintenance of the nation’s only tri-service Joint Base. He is also responsible for providing enlisted leadership, mentorship and oversight to the effective utilization, training and professional development of the squadron’s 490 personnel across twelve Air Force specialty codes. Chief Master Sergeant Thaddeus Gravely resides in Eastampton Township with his wife, Juliana, and two children, Myles and Elijah. For further information, please contact (609) 267-5723, ext. 201 or visit www.eastampton.com.



Mayor Robert Apgar presents Thaddeus Gravely with a Proclamation for his promotion to Chief Master Sergeant with the United States Air Force. Pictured from left to right are: Council Member Jay Springer, Council Member John Adams, Juliana Gravely, Mayor Robert Apgar, Myles Gravely, Chief Master Sergeant Thaddeus Gravely, Elijah Gravely, Deputy Mayor Anthony Zeno and Council Member Matthew Edson.

4. **Mayor Robert Apgar Presented a Proclamation to Jim Chew, Business Manager for Boilermaker's Local 28, for the Union's Continued Support of Eastampton Township.** The local union has made numerous contributions to the Eastampton community including fundraisers held by the Police Department and Eastampton Community School Parent Teachers Association. In addition, Boilermakers has hosted the Eastampton Township Senior Citizens Christmas Party for three years. Mr. Chew takes great pride and pleasure in providing Eastampton's senior residents with access to their banquet facility for this popular annual event. Boilermakers Local 28 is a diverse union representing workers throughout the United States and Canada in industrial construction, repair and maintenance, manufacturing, shipbuilding and marine repair, railroads, mining and quarrying, cement and kilns and other related industries.



Mayor Robert Apgar presents a Proclamation to Jim Chew of Boilermakers Local 28. Pictured from left to right are: Council Member Jay Springer, Council Member John Adams, Mayor Robert Apgar, Boilermakers Local 28 Business Manager Jim Chew, Deputy Mayor Anthony Zeno and Council Member Matthew Edson.

- 5. Mayor Robert Apgar Administered the Oath of Office to Patrol Officer Crystal Friedli.** Officer Friedli is a fully certified police officer and a former member of the United States Air Force National Guard. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Sciences from Oregon State University and is currently pursuing a Master of Science degree in Forensic Psychology. Officer Friedli's appointment fills a vacancy which was created through the retirement of Sergeant Stephen Sawyer. The mission of the Eastampton Police Department is to maintain the safety, well-being, and quality of life of the residents and visitors to Eastampton Township. The department remains committed to staying at the leading edge of law enforcement principles and practices. For further information, please contact (609) 267-5723, ext. 201 or visit www.eastampton.com.



Mayor Robert Apgar administered the oath of office to Patrol Officer Crystal Friedli. Pictured from left to right are: Mayor Robert Apgar, Patrol Officer Crystal Friedli and her children Jeremiah, Joseph, Jacob, Cayli and Camrin.

6. **Join the Eastampton Seniors Group.** This growing group of seniors began meeting in April, 2009 and meets monthly at the Recreation Building in Buttonwood Park on Knightsbridge Road. All Eastampton residents ages 50 and up are welcomed to join. Activities include guest speakers, luncheons, holiday parties, trips and other special programs. Please contact 267-5723, ext. 200 for additional information.
7. **Eastampton Fire-Rescue Department Swears-In Board of Fire Commissioners.** Chairperson Dan O'Grady, Commissioner Tracy Geiger and Commissioner Jackie Bennet were sworn-in at the March 1 board meeting. The department is seeking volunteers for the positions of Firefighter, Exterior Firefighter, Junior Firefighter and Fire Police. For information regarding training opportunities and other general information contact (609) 267-5224.



Commissioner Tracy Geiger, Commissioner Jackie Bennett and Chairperson Dan O'Grady were sworn-in at the March 1 Board of Fire Commissioners meeting. Pictured (from left to right) are: Commissioner Tracy Geiger, Commissioner Jackie Bennett and Chairperson Dan O'Grady.

8. **Burlington County Sponsors “Nature Unplugged” on Wednesday, March 30.** Put down your phone and take a walk on the wild side! Join naturalist Kate Szostak as she shows you around the trails the way they were meant to be explored...without technology! Explore, learn and navigate your way through the park the old fashioned way...with maps and the resources around you. The walk will take place from 10 am – 11:30 am at **Long Bridge Park**, located at 895 Deacon Road in Hainesport. For additional information call (609) 265-5858.

9. **Register to Receive All Eastampton Township Announcements.** The Township will continue to notify residents of pertinent information through our website, Facebook page and email notification system. To register for the email notification system, “control and click” on the link below: <http://www.eastampton.com/content/85/87.aspx>

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