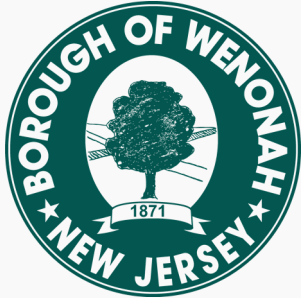


Borough of Wenonah

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Mayor's Message

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Fall in Wenonah is a wonderful time of year. We are fortunate to witness the colors change, feel the excitement of our kids heading back to school, and enjoy backyard firepit gatherings as the air turns cooler. Be sure not to miss some fun fall community events, including the annual One Night of Song and Dance and Haunted Trail at the Lake, and be ready for some spooky Trick-or-Treaters on Halloween!

Our community is great in large part due to our many volunteers. Please read through this newsletter to learn more about the work of our many volunteer organizations and how you can get involved. The Borough depends on volunteers too - members of the Shade Tree Commission, Environmental Commission, and our elected officials are all volunteers. You are welcome to attend a public meeting to learn more about these groups and the work they do.



As always, I look forward to hearing from you with suggestions and questions. Please feel free to email me at jdoheny@boroughofwenonah.com.

See you around town!

Jessica Doheny
Mayor



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Be in the know when it comes to information about Wenonah.

If you would like to

receive the Borough newsletter and the latest information on weather alerts, police notices, notifications from your Public Works Department and other important announcements, subscribe to our email and text alerts.

It's easy to do! Go to the Borough website at www.boroughofwenonah.com

At the bottom of the homepage, there will be two options to sign up for either email and/or call and text alerts. Fill in your contact information and click on "submit".

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@borough_of_wenonah

General Election Day is Tuesday, November 5th

Here are the 3 ways you can vote in the upcoming General Election

1. AT YOUR POLLING PLACE ON ELECTION DAY

Vote in person at the Municipal building on Election Day, November 5 from 6:00 AM to 8:00 PM

2. IN-PERSON EARLY VOTING

This option enables all registered voters to cast their ballot in person, using a voting machine during a designated voting period prior to Election Day.

You can choose to vote, in person, when it's most convenient for your schedule. Find Gloucester County locations at [VOTE.NJ.GOV](https://www.vote.nj.gov).

In-Person Early Voting

October 26—November 3, 2024

Monday-Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

3. VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT

Registered voters can apply for a vote-by-mail ballot by following the instructions found at [VOTE.NJ.GOV](https://www.vote.nj.gov) or contacting the County Clerk's Election Division at 856-384-4500. Voters may also apply in person at the Board of Elections Office, 550 Grove Road, West Deptford until 3:00 PM the day before the election.



Important Dates For NJ Voters

October 15

Voter registration deadline for General Election

October 26-November 3

Early voting period

October 29

Deadline to apply for mail-in ballot *by mail* for General Election

November 4 by 3:00 PM

Deadline to apply for mail-in ballot *in-person* for General Election at the County Clerk's Office

November 5

General Election Day

November 5 by 8:00 PM

Deadline for post office receipt of mail-in ballots from the General Election

Municipal Office Federal Holiday Schedule



The Borough office will be closed on Monday, October 14th in observance of Columbus Day and on Monday, November 11th in observance of Veterans Day. The office will also be closed Thursday, November 28th and Friday, November 29th for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Property Taxes Due November 1st

Fourth quarter taxes are due on November 1st with a 10-day grace period. Any payment received after the 10th day shall accrue interest back to November 1st.

Payments are accepted by mail or in person during regular business hours. You may also leave your payment in the secured drop box located by the front door of the Municipal building.

Please note that we do not accept credit/debit card payments at the Borough office. You can go to our website at www.boroughofwenonah.com

to make a payment online (for a fee) or see the amount due.

If you are a new homeowner, please call to receive a copy of your tax bill.

If you receive a tax bill that says "Advice Only" and you pay your own taxes directly, you can use that as your tax bill.

If you receive an original tax bill and your mortgage company pays your taxes, please forward the bill to them.

For general property tax questions, please email our tax collector, Kim Jaworski, at



kjaworski@boroughofwenonah.com
or call the tax office at
856-468-5228.

Kim is available on Monday evenings from 5:00 to 8:00 PM to assist residents by phone or in person at the Borough office.

Writing Checks for Payment



When writing a check for payment to the Borough, please write the handwritten portion carefully. The banks only accept the written word amount on the check.

Also, please include your **lot/block number for tax payments** and your **account number for utility payments** on the check's memo line. This step helps to ensure that payments are being made to the right property.

Campaign Yard Signage

With the General Elections taking place in November, the Borough wants to remind residents that there is Ordinance 72-711 in place regarding campaign yard signage.

First, there are no signs permitted in the **clear zone** (area between curb and sidewalk or if no walk, 12 feet from the curb) or on **public property**.

With regards to **private property**, the ordinance states the following for political signs:

- ◆ Signs may not be erected more than 45 days prior to the date of the election and must be removed within 5 days of election.
- ◆ Only one sign per candidate(s) may appear on any one property at any one time, except with regard to a corner lot, in which case no more than one sign per candidate may appear on each side of the property facing the street.



- ◆ No sign may exceed 9 square feet.

Thank you.

Household Special Waste (HSW) Collection Dates

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Date: **September 14th**

Location: GCSWC

493 Monroeville Road, South Harrison

Date: **October 5th**

Location: GCRD

1200 N. Delsea Drive, Clayton

All events 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM
RAIN OR SHINE

Please refer to the website for more information: www.gcianj.com

For additional information call (856) 478-6045



Shredding Event September 14th



This **FREE** shredding event will be held on site at the Mantua Township Municipal Building parking lot from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM. The event is for Gloucester County residents only.

Only paper will be accepted.

Halloween 2024

Halloween is **Thursday, October 31st**. Trick or Treating will be from 4:00 – 8:00 PM. If you would prefer not to have trick or treaters at your home, please consider posting a sign on your front door indicating such.



Public Service Announcement - "Doo the Right Thing"

Attention All Pet Owners



Please pick up after your pet and dispose of their waste properly.

Not cleaning up after your dog is a violation of Ordinance 06-01.

Cleaning up after your pet helps keep the environment and the Borough clean and safe. Besides being unsightly and smelly, animal waste can be hazardous to other residents and other pets.

Fecal matter can carry bacteria that can make other people, especially children, sick and

may contain parasites which can affect both humans and other animals.

Pet waste also is a major contributor to contamination of our waterways.

Picking up after your pet isn't just a courtesy, it's the healthy and environmentally sound thing to do.

Water/Sewer Bill Due November 1st

Third quarter 2024 water/sewer bills will be mailed to residents by mid October. The due date is November 1st with a 10-day grace period. Any payment received after the 10-day grace period shall accrue interest back to November 1st.

The 3rd quarter bill includes: \$150 flat fee for sewer, \$125 flat fee for water (includes 6,000 gallons of actual usage each quarter) plus resident's actual household water usage over 6,000 gallons for the prior

three months (**July 1– September 30, 2024**), billed at the 2024 rates per 1,000 gallons.

Payments are accepted by mail or in person during regular business hours.

Residents may also leave their payment in the secured drop box located by the front door of the Municipal building.

Residents can also make a payment online (for a fee)

or see the amount due. Visit the Borough website and look for the tab labeled "Pay your bill online".



Clean Community Day on November 9th

Our Clean Community Day is an opportunity for residents and volunteer groups to come out and help clean up our town.

Registration starts at 8:30 AM at the Community Center on Saturday, November 9th.

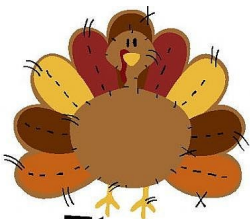


Volunteer groups -please contact either Karen Sweeney (856) 468-6713 or Jeanne Grigri (856) 304-9312 regarding your participation.

Please feel free to bring your own tarps, rakes, gloves, leaf blowers and safety vests.

And remember to mark your tools with your last name in case they get misplaced.

Thanksgiving Holiday Trash Collection Schedule



Happy Thanksgiving

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, there will be no trash/recycling collection on Friday, November 29th. Trash and recycling collection will take place instead on **MONDAY, DECEMBER 2nd**.

Yard Waste/Branch Collection Ends September

Please note that the bi-monthly schedule for containerized yard waste and branch collection comes to an end in September.

- Last date for branch collection is Monday, September 16th.
- Last date for containerized yard waste is Monday, September 23rd.

Bulk branch and yard waste collection will resume in February 2025. For more details, please refer to the Borough's 2025 calendar when it becomes available.



Bulk Leaf Collection Starts October 21st



- ◆ Beginning the week of **October 21st** and ending the week of **December 9th**, bulk leaves will be collected on a continuous rotating basis throughout the Borough. These dates are dependent upon the weather, Public Works schedule and in-town emergencies.

Residents must have leaves out to curbside by 6:00 AM Monday of each week.

- ◆ Residents may include other compostable yard waste in with their bulk leaf collection such as plants, flowers, and pine needles.
- ◆ Please **DO NOT** mix wood branches, limbs or trash in with leaves. If these items are mixed in or on top of the leaves, they cannot be picked up.
- ◆ Please **DO NOT** put leaves

in bags or containers during the bulk leaf collection period.

- ◆ Please place leaves in the street far enough from the curb line to allow water to flow to the storm water catch basin
- ◆ Leaves should be placed a minimum of 10 feet from all storm water catch basins.
- ◆ Please **DO NOT** place leaves near parked cars. Adequate space is required for the Borough's leaf removal equipment.

Metal, Appliance and E-waste Pick-up

Please contact the Public Works Department for any metal, e-waste (TVs, DVDs, computers,) or appliance (washer and dryers, refrigerators) pickup.



These items can be picked up on daily basis by Public Works. Residents don't need to wait for the monthly bulk item collection day

to rid their home of these items.

Please call PW during normal business hours at (856-468-5300) for item pickup.

News From Mantua Police Department

Submitted by Chief Darren White

The fall season is upon us and although things have been much different this year, some things never change! Scammers will take every opportunity to take advantage of the unknowing.

BEWARE OF SCAMMERS

- Do not send money or give out personal information in response to an unexpected, unverified source-whether that be by phone, e-mail or text.
- Do online searches to see if a company or product name is a scam.
- Do not believe what your phone caller ID states. Technology allows scammers to input fake caller ID information to make it appear you are receiving a phone call from a real company or organization.
- Do not pay for anything upfront.

- If you are unsure, talk to someone or take the time to do research or contact your local police department. There are many resources out there to help you determine if what you are dealing with is a scam.
- Hang up on robocalls. If you answer the phone and hear a recorded sales pitch, just hang up the phone.
- Don't deposit a check or wire money back.
- Visit the Federal Trade Commission website to sign up for free scam alerts and tips.



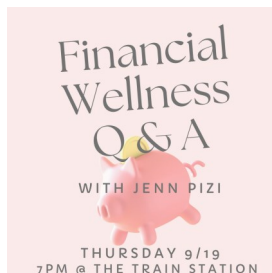
If you have extra prescription medications that are no longer wanted or needed, you can take them to the police station and we have an old mailbox in our lobby where you can dispose of unwanted meds. There are no forms to fill out or information to give, just simply drop and go!



Congratulations to SLEO II Officer Andrew Glaser, who recently graduated from the Gloucester County Police Academy and has been working through his field training. Included with him are his grandfather, a retired Mantua Police Lieutenant and his father, a retired Mantua Police Corporal. Officer Glaser earned the "Academics Award" at the academy for obtaining the highest overall average grade for academic-related facets of the police academy. We are proud of him and looking forward to seeing how well he performs here in Wenonah and Mantua.

Mayor's Wellness Campaign

Do you have questions about how to better manage your personal finances and live within a budget? Maybe you're starting to think about retirement or need some quick tips about the difference between stocks and bonds.



Join us for a Financial Wellness Q+A session with Jenn Pizi (Chief Operating Officer at the National Foundation for Credit Counseling). This event is free and open to all. Sponsored by the Mayor's Wellness Campaign.

Financial Wellness with Jenn Pizi

Thursday, September 19th 7pm-8pm at the Train Station

Wenonah Shade Tree Commission

Submitted by Gary Odenbrett

Following a prolonged period of no rain and excessive heat we are finally seeing storms and rainfall. Luckily things have improved, and nature has provided the help we all needed for trees and all our gardens.



The STC asks that residents avoid the use of mulch volcano piles around tree trunk bases as it restricts water absorption while providing a home for insects. 2-3 inches is all that is needed while leaving a well shape at the trunk base for water to soak in during rain.

Residents should **NOT** be planting anything in the clear zone as it may interfere with public utilities.

Remember the harm that planting ivy around or allowing ivy to grow on tree trunks can cause. Although the ivy itself does not kill a tree, the resulting actions after the ivy has started growing can. By creating competition for nutrients, water and sunlight, ivy makes a tree weaker and more prone to disease and branch dieback. English ivy also contributes to added moisture around the bark, attracting bugs and accelerating rot. It grows from the ground up, so branch dieback is usually evident at the bottom of the tree first. The best method for remediation is essentially to neuter the plant.

Once a tree has been infiltrated, the best remediation is to kill the ivy without removing it. Clip it at the bottom around the circumference of the trunk

and pull the roots out of the ground in a circle 2 feet around the tree. Leave the



ivy intact on the tree, since removing it can cause the hold

fasts to pull off pieces of bark, further weakening the tree. The ivy will wilt and die and in time the tree trunk will grow around the old vines.

Please do not use tape around the base of trees to kill the spotted lantern fly. It is more harmful to birds, butterflies and productive insects.

Residents interested in having a tree planted in the spring of 2025 should contact the STC at 856-468-2627.

Wenonah Swim Club

Submitted by WSC Board

We've had an amazing season at Wenonah Swim Club!

First off, we want to congratulate our Wenonah Waverunners! They were undefeated AGAIN in the "A" Division with a 5-0 record. They are also the 2024 Tri-County Champions! Our Waverunners have won Tri-County 3 out of the last 4 years! It is a testament of the hard work and dedication of the swimmers and coaching staff. Also, don't forget about all of the support from family and friends, spending countless hours at practices and meets during the summertime.



Continued....

We've had some fun events at the club this season! Below are some highlights:

- ◆ Crab Night! It was a fun night of family, friends and crabs!
- ◆ Christmas in July! We had a blast with games and music, bringing in the holiday spirit!
- ◆ Our Masters Swimming group continues to get those laps in on Tuesday/Thursday and they had a great time at the Masters Swimming meeting in Collingswood!

By the end of the summer will have our Halloween Bash and will close out with some fun on Labor Day Weekend.



Don't miss out on the fun! We do have a limited number of memberships available for the 2025 season! Tell your friends and neighbors to join us next summer at the best swim club- please check out our membership page on our website: www.wenonahswimclub.com/membership/

Wenonah Environmental Commission

Submitted by Scott Barnes

Upcoming Events

- **September Outdoor Meeting:** Wednesday, September 11th at 6:30 PM at the Comey's Lake Tea House. Bring a lawn chair or sit on the amphitheater steps as we discuss ongoing efforts and issues involving our conservation area.



- **Mad Hatter's Tree Party:** Sunday, October 27th from 1 PM to 3 PM on the Eldridge Trail, East Pine Street. Take a walk with family and friends, celebrate autumn, and learn about the importance of trees. Enjoy live music and visit the Mad Hatter! Event is free and open to the public.

- **Fall Work Party:** Saturday, November 2nd at 9:00 AM. Volunteers wanted to keep our 120 acres of conservation lands clean and in good repair. For further updates in late October, see www.WenonahEnvironmentalCommission.org or follow us at "Friends of Wenonah Trails" on Facebook.



What's New

Congratulations go out to our 6th Grade Frank Eggert Memorial Student Environmental Award Winners for 2024: **Miles Brown** and **Lucian Lomanno**. They each received \$100 in recognition of their academic achievement in environmental sciences and their volunteer efforts toward environmental causes.



Extra Trash and Recycling?

Please call the Borough Office (856-468-5228) no later than noon the Thursday before collection day to have your extra trash bags/recycle items added to the collection lists.

Wenonah Public Library

Submitted by Anne Zuber

Summer at the Wenonah Library means a Summer Reading Program! This year's theme was "**Adventure Begins at Your Library.**" Participants had amazing adventures, 'all over the world and beyond', as we listened to stories, played games, sang songs, and created fun crafts. The kids, in two age groups, enjoyed 14 sessions plus a finale presented by Woodford Cedar Run Wildlife Refuge. Our young readers excelled at our Reading Challenge and logged a total of 3,960 pages read! In collaboration with Gateway H.S., older students were given rewards for taking part in their summer reading program. We do our part to combat students' summer slide.



But there was more excitement to come! The Friends of the Library sponsored our first ever **Harry Potter**

Birthday Party on Wednesday, July 31st to celebrate the boy wizard and J.K. Rowling's book series. Young witches and wizards pre-registered for an extravaganza that did not disappoint! Each participant received their invitation to "Hogwarts" in the mail and arrived to see the library transformed into the magical castle. Students were "sorted" into their houses and then followed a class schedule covering potions, divination,

care of magical creatures, history of magic, and wand making. The party ended with a fantastic feast in our "Great Hall." Each student took home a goodie bag filled with materials they created throughout the night. As one young Hogwarts student commented, "It really was a magical evening."



The term magical could be used to describe the transformation of the library rain **garden**. Thanks to volunteers from the Wenonah Native Plant Club and the South Jersey Land and Water Trust for all their hard work, especially Heidi Congalton and the Odenbretts for nurturing the new plants to get them established. A list of the plants in the garden is at the library desk.



A "wonderful" new addition to the library is **Wonderbooks!** Made possible by the generosity of the friends and family of long-time board member and library advocate Peg McFadden. Wonderbooks are the latest audiobook technology built right into the book cover. We will continue to

build this new collection, great for emerging readers, with help from the Friends of Wenonah Library. These "Friends" are doing big things these days. Please consider joining.

As Fall begins, we are looking forward to the return of **Toddler Storytime**. Beginning September 18th and running each Wednesday morning at 10:00am through May, we invite your toddler to join Miss Holly for stories, songs, games, and crafts. **SAT prep sessions** will again be offered this Fall to help older students prepare for the changes being planned for this test. Keep watching our website and Facebook page for more information. **Letter Writing Club** and **Technology Help** with Max continue to meet every Thursday night. Be sure to check out our **museum passes** – free for Wenonah Library Patrons. The library has passes to the Museum of the American Revolution, the Brandywine River Museum, the Rockwood Park & Museum, and the Gloucester County Historical Society Museum.



Keep an eye out too for this year's **Spooky Story Night** coming in October. Last year's event will be difficult to beat,

but the Friends of the Wenonah Library are up for the challenge! Watch for more information coming soon and let us know if you would like to join this group to help plan other profitable and entertaining activities in support of our library.

Wenonah Senior Citizens 55+ Club

Submitted by Sandra Schwartz

The Wenonah Senior Citizens 55+ are a welcoming, friendly, active group of Wenonah neighbors. We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month (Sept through May) at the Jack Sheppard Community Center for socialization, education, cultural interests, and physical and mental well-being. Dues are \$5 yearly.

We will kick off our second season by welcoming returning and new members to a meet and greet Pot-Luck Luncheon on Sept 10 at 11:00 am at the Jack Sheppard Community Center. Please reserve your seat and list your yummy food contribution by emailing Sandra at sandraschwartz@comcast.net or call/text 856.308.4700.



The senior club tries to maintain involvement of its members in a variety of activities and always welcomes new ideas for consideration. We have an active Mahjonn group, organize occasional day trips, keep abreast of activities occurring in Wenonah and Gloucester County, and enjoy Saturday morning coffee klatches. For the past

several months we have been partnering with the Mayor's Wellness Campaign to offer Senior Chair Yoga on the first Thursdays of the month at 10:00 am in the Community Center. Our aim is also our motto - Aging Unbound!

If you would like to join us and be put on our email list, please come out to one of our monthly, morning meetings or contact Sandra (info above). You can also find our group on Facebook by searching for Wenonah Senior Citizens 55+.



Wenonah Native Garden Club

Submitted by Heidi Congalton

In May we put up our tent at the Wenonah Farmer's Market. Our members answered many questions and distributed information about the Club. We also handed out a list of local sources for native trees, shrubs, and flowers.

Our Club had its first group outing this summer visiting the Mt. Cuba gardens in Delaware. Mt. Cuba Center is a botanical garden committed to the conservation of native plants and their habitats. They are also a research center and offer many classes.

In June we met at member Zehra Travis' home and were given a tour of her new native plantings. She and her husband Ralph also have a small vineyard of wine grapes in their back yard!

The Wenonah Library reached out to us to secure a grant and plan for revitalizing the rain garden in the rear of the library. A plan was created, and the South Jersey Land & Water Trust awarded a grant to cover the cost of the new plantings. Four hundred and fifty-eight plant plugs of twenty-one species were planted over two days by Club and town volunteers. All the plants are native to our general region. The full display of flowers will be mature in two years, but there is much to see now, and next spring will feature early bloomers. A list of the plants is available at the library.



Our July meeting featured a program on "Ferns for the Garden". We take a break in August, and we meet again September 12th at the Community Center, 7pm. We invite you to attend our meetings; the schedule is on the borough calendar. And take a look at our Facebook page "Wenonah Native Plant Garden Club" for gardening news.

Wenonah Historical Society

Submitted by Larry Smith



The Wenonah Historical Society's mission is to **inspire** interest in our local history through educational and cultural programs, **preserve** the historical archives and collection as the stewards of shared historical knowledge, and **foster** a sense of community past, present and future through our programs and special events.

Upcoming Activities

We have some great programs and special events coming up. Mark your calendar now so you don't miss any of them.

September 13, 2024, 7:00-9:00 PM – Meet and Greet “The Last Train of Summer” at Community Center (open to all)

Join members and neighbors to celebrate the end of summer! If you attended this event before, you know it's one you do not want to miss. (NJ Social Affair Permit No. 121343)

October 1-31, 2024 – StoryWalk® “Lou” at Library and Park (open to all)

October is Fire Prevention Month. To support fire prevention and the Wenonah Fire Company, the Historical Society will share a children's book about a superhero – a fire hydrant named “Lou.”

October 11, 2024, 7:00-9:00 PM – “Famous and Forgotten Ships and Shipwrecks of New Jersey Shore, an Archaeological Odyssey” at Community Center (open to all)

Richard Veit, PhD, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

for Monmouth University and Professor of Anthropology, will talk about how the treacherous New Jersey shore became the grave for thousands of seafaring vessels. He will examine a group of ships and shipwrecks to demonstrate the importance of maritime transportation to the history of the state.

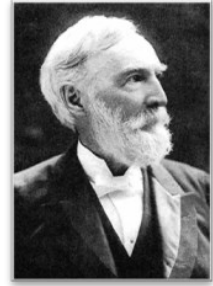
October 12, 2024, 3:00-5:00 PM – 9th Annual Cemetery Walk: “War Stories: Tales of Service, Heroism and Survival” at Wenonah Cemetery (open to all)

The cemetery walk is the Historical Society's biggest annual event. This year the Historical Society and Wenonah Cemetery Association will be joined by American Legion Post 192, Wenonah Arts Collective and Mantua Township Historical Commission to produce what promises to be the best cemetery walk yet!

November 8, 2024, 7:00-9:00 PM – “Thomas W. Synnott and Wenonah, NJ” at Community Center (open to all)

Sara Borden, CA, Head of Archival Collections & Services at Rowan University Archives & Special Collec-

tions, will discuss Thomas Synnott, one of Wenonah's founding fathers, and his influence on Wenonah and southern New Jersey. She will talk about the contents of the Synnott Papers, and show some highlights of the collection.



Community Center Display Case

Have you seen the Historical Society's display case in the Community Center? Currently featured are memorabilia from Wenonah School. Join us at an event at the Community Center to see the display!

Lions Club of Wenonah

Submitted by Carl Hausman



We say this every year, but it remains true: While we don't have any scientific way to measure crowd size at our Fourth of July events, this summer we again saw what we believe was the largest and most enthusiastic crowd in our collective memory,

We want to thank everyone who attended, helped us with the myriad details of planning such an event, and donated to the cause. We're taking a little post-parade break before we begin planning our upcoming year's slate of events, but stay tuned, because we will, as always, keep you informed. Be sure to check out our Facebook page, The Lions Club of Wenonah, for updates.

Note: While our primary emphasis has historically involved helping the visually impaired, we are engaged in a wide variety of activities to help those who need help. If you know of some local cause where we may be able to lend a hand, please speak with a Lion. And if you would like to get involved with our activities, are interested in becoming a Lion, or just want to find out more about what we do, please contact our new-member coordinator: Gus Gasis, at gusgasis@yahoo.com.



Wenonah's Post 192

Wenonah's American Legion Post 192

Fall 2024

www.Post192.com
856-464-0428

WenonahNJPost192@gmail.com
PO Box 312, Wenonah NJ 08090



Post 192's OKTOBERFEST Sat, Oct 19th 2:00-6:00 pm!



Enjoy a bit of a traditional fall Oktoberfest with beer, sausages, and Bavarian folk Polka music in the friendly outdoor environs of the Mantua VFW's outdoor Pavillion! Tickets are \$30 per person and can be

purchased online at www.Post192.com or at the Mantua VFW, 8 New York Ave, Mantua, NJ 08051. More information on our website.

Veterans – Get Your Yard Signs Ready for Veterans Day 2024!



Veterans Day 2024 is on Nov 11th, which is a Monday this year. Please set out your yard signs by Fri Nov 8th & keep them displayed until Sunday, Nov 17th.

Know a veteran who doesn't have a sign? Email us!

Wenonah's Wreaths Across America!

★ December 14, 2024 ★

National Wreaths Across America Day



Help Wenonah's Post 192 of the American Legion honor local heroes!

Sponsor a wreath today and/or join us in placing them on veterans' graves this Dec. 14 at Noon at Wenonah Cemetery.

Scan the QR code to donate or visit www.wreathscrossamerica.org/NJ0287



#LiveWithPurpose

More information available on our website www.Post192.com and at www.wreathscrossamerica.org/NJ0287

Dinner with Friends Sold Out Last Year!
Mark Your Calendars: Sat Feb 10th !

Last year, 150 gathered to enjoy the midwinter warmth.

Dinner with Friends Sells Out Every Year! **Mark Your Calendars: Sat Feb 8th !**

Last year, 150 gathered to enjoy the midwinter warmth of camaraderie and conviviality at **Wenonah's Dinner with Friends** at Four Star Catering in Oak Valley! Tickets go fast and will be available in December on our website:

Dinner with Friends!

— An Annual Public Social Gathering —

Shake off those mid-winter blues and join your friends & neighbors for socializing & funnery over a hot buffet with music and wine & draft beer included!

Tickets \$45 apiece & available at www.Post192.com

8- & 10-person tables can be reserved with w/all tickets paid

Roast beef, chicken, pasta, vegetables, salads, desserts. Pinot Grigio, Cabernet Sauvignon, Moscato, Sangria, Yuengling, Coors Lite, Miller Lite.

Raffles, 50/50, baskets of cheer

Sponsored by the Wenonah American Legion

Saturday, Feb 8th 6:00 - 10:00 pm

6:00 – 7:00 pm Mixer

Four Star Catering, Oak Valley VFD

595 Princeton Blvd, Oak Valley, NJ 08090

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www.Post192.com.



Free short-term assistance for single parents, elderly, disabled, veterans, military & their families

Wenonah Lake Association

Submitted by Alex Pozza

Dear neighbors,

It is with great affection that we look back upon the many joys of summer at our lake. Another banner year by the most calculable of measures - the most memberships sales ever recorded! Yet it was so much more than such statistics can capture. Ever-present was the love and unity in our community - basking in the noon day sun, whirling round the merry-go-round, wading in the waters of our ancestors. Ever-present were the smiles of parents and grandparents, aunts and uncles, teachers, friends, watching over our smiling youth. Ever-present the genesis of long-lasting connections, forged from the rich tapestry of peoples that commune here.

Hard to measure such things. But they can be felt with such depth.

There's a deep meaning, a deep goodness - a deep soul that reverberates throughout the sacred grounds of Wenonah Lake. We feel ever-fortunate to share in it. And we are humbly indebted to the many who help preserve and nurture this space that offers so much incalculable good.

THANK YOU!

Wenonah Lake Association

p.s. Lest we forget about the Fall!



The 28th Annual ONE NIGHT OF SONG & DANCE - SEPTEMBER 14

Tickets on sale now! <https://www.eventzilla.net/o/ONSD>



plus the long-awaited return of **THE HAUNTED TRAIL - OCTOBER 26**

(We are still looking for volunteers! Interested in helping create a haunted space along the trail?)

Contact wenonahlakeassociation@gmail.com for more details)

Woman's Club of Wenonah

Submitted by Jamie Moore

Wenonah Farmer's Market

The Wenonah Farmer's Market returns to its regular weekly schedule starting on Thursday, September 5th through Thursday, September 26th. The Farmer's Market runs Thursday Evenings from 4pm to 7pm in Wenonah Park.

Special Guest Edgar Allen Poe will visit the Wenonah Farmer's Market on September 26th. Like Betsy Ross, who visited in June, Poe will walk around and interact with guests. This program is offered through the Gloucester County Historical Society.



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Wenonah Park Additions

The Woman's Club of Wenonah added picnic and chess tables, benches, and a bike rack to the park. Bring your own chess or checkers pieces or people can borrow them from the Library.



&Juliet Theater Group Discount

&Juliet is coming to the Academy of Music in Philadelphia in the spring, and we have the opportunity to get discounted group tickets. The musical is a coming-of-age story that explores what could have happened if Juliet had not died. If you're interested in going, let us know which dates work for you (<https://doodle.com/meeting/participate/id/aA9BVjBa/vote>), so that we can reserve a block. Tickets are \$123, and we'll likely meet there.

Annual Porch Party

We are hosting our annual porch party on September 9th. Potential new members who might be interested in joining the Wenonah Woman's Club who might want to come should reach out to any woman's club member to come as the member's "plus one" to the event.

Monthly Meetings

Monthly meetings begin again in September. They are held on the second Monday of every month from 7pm to 8:30 pm. These meetings are a great way to get involved in the community, but also to learn about interesting topics from Woman's Club Members. September's speaker is financial advisor and owner of Plan One Financial Howard Mattson. October's speaker is Kathy Peek speaking about Emergency Preparedness.

Upcoming Events

The Annual Friendship Dinner and Turkey Trot will be happening again this year. Both will be in November.

Be a New Jersey Poll Worker

Being a poll worker is a great way to contribute to your local community, your state and your country while seeing our great democracy up close and in action. NJ Division of Elections is currently seeking poll workers for the upcoming General Election. Applying to be a poll worker is easy and can be done online at pollworker.nj.gov. For additional details about being a poll worker, go to Vote.NJ.Gov.

Poll workers earn \$21.43 per hour on in-person early voting days (Saturday, October 26 through Sunday November 3) and \$300 on General Election Day November 5.

To qualify you must:

- be a United States citizen and New Jersey resident
- be a registered voter in the county in which you reside
- be at least 16 years of age. College and high school students are encouraged to apply
- not be a candidate in this election



Wenonah Equality (WE)

Submitted by James "Skip" Holder

Where, Oh Where, To Begin?

How about with a BIG Happy Birthday to US, errr....WE! (Wenonah Equality, that is!)



On June 23rd Wenonah Equality held a dual Pride Picnic and One Year Birthday Bash at Wenonah Lake.

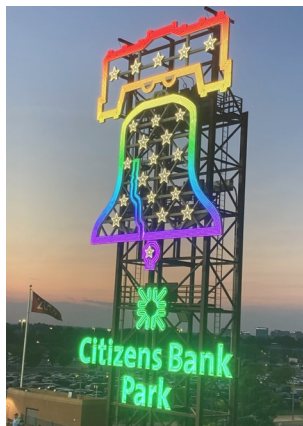
Not even an early afternoon thunderstorm could stop us from celebrating turning one year old, letting rainbows reign, and gobbling down Tamar's mouth-watering bean dish! YUM!

Another ta-dah, please: WE is officially a non-profit organization (which means any and all donations can be gratefully accepted, thank you!!) And heck, WE even has its own official t-shirts (shout out, Gio). Speaking of which, there is a limited supply left, so for a suggested donation of \$10 you too can have yours-contact WE at WenonahEquality@gmail.com if interested.



Before beginning the usual schedule deep dive, I must say that June and July marked a definite influx of fresh, energetic faces into our fold that have us all super excited for WE Year 2!

Our summer highlights included a presence of 26 WE Fightin's Fans strong at Phillies Pride Night on June 17th. Also, a nice-sized group of us marched (for the first time ever) in Wenonah's Annual Fourth of July Parade. Maybe next year WE can don red, white, and blue...(Gio????!!) Our summer ended with Kathy Peek and family making big splashes as hosts the afternoon August 4th when WE hosted a cannonball of a pool party.



There is only one WE sponsored event left in 2024, so mark your calendars. As of now titled "A Fall, Friends, Firepits, and Frankfurters Fiesta: Roast Your Own Weiner", this event is slated for November 23rd in Skip's backyard. However, this doesn't mean WE (we!) won't be busy—you'll find WE at our last Farmers Market of the season on Thursday, September 19 (4-7pm), haunting the trails at Wenonah



Lake on October 26, and lending a helping hand on Clean Communities Day, November 9. Also, look for ZOOMBA to resume sometime this fall! If any of these activities pique your interest, then please join us—WE'd love to see you!

As of this writing, our FB group (WE Wenonah) is 266 people strong and our email list hovers close to 100. As WE embarks on Year Two, one goal is to focus more on the support and education part of our mission, which is as follows: to bring together, support, educate, and promote the physical and psychological health and safety of any and everyone connected to our local LGBTQIA+ community. WE exists to combat and end any and all forms of discrimination against anyone based on gender, gender identity, sex, sexual orientation, skin color, age, socioeconomic status, ethnicity, or religious beliefs." If you or someone you love needs someone to lean on, please reach out. We are here to serve the community around us. And that includes YOU. Yes, YOU!

Got an idea for an event? Does your organization want to partner up with us? WE wants to hear from YOU! Yes, YOU TOO!