



SENIOR CONNECT

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OPERATION BLUE ANGEL

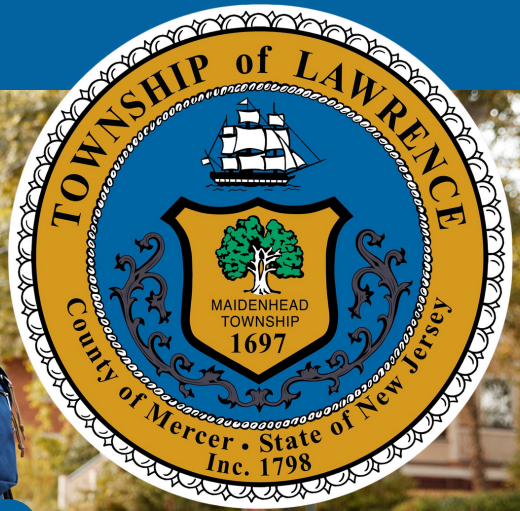
The Lawrence Township Police Department is happy to announce the availability of the Operation Blue Angel program for Lawrence Township residents. This free program is open to residents who are 55 years of age or older and live alone or will be alone for extended periods of time on a regular basis; or for people with a medical condition(s) that could lead to incapacitation and who live alone or who are alone for extended periods of time on a regular basis. The program consists of a lockbox, which will be owned and maintained by the Police Department, which will be placed on the participant's property by police personnel. The lockbox will contain a key to the residence (which the resident must supply). The key will only be accessed by responding police officers in the event of an emergency where officers cannot access the residence. The Operation Blue Angel program lockbox will not be accessed for lock-outs or any other non-emergent situation.



Any interested Lawrence Township residents are encouraged to complete registration by completing the Operation Blue Angel Application on the last pages of this newsletter and mailing the registration to:

**Lawrence Township Police Dept
Attn: Operation Blue Angel Program
Coordinator 2211 Lawrence Road
Lawrenceville, NJ 08648**

An officer from the Police Department will be in touch regarding your acceptance in the program. For any questions concerning the program please call Lt. RJ Laird 609-844-7123.



A safer walk to school

NJDOT Approves New School Zone for Enhanced Pedestrian Safety near Lawrence Intermediate School

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) has approved a new school zone to improve pedestrian safety for students walking to Lawrence Intermediate School from Route 206.

In response to community concerns, NJDOT has sanctioned a reduced speed limit for vehicles approaching the intersection from both directions on Route 206. This proactive measure aims to enhance safety for pedestrians, particularly students.

Chief of Police Chris Longo remarked, "Lowering the speed limit through this high-volume School Zone will provide our children, our crossing guards and motorists with a safer environment during school hours. The collaborative effort between the Engineering Department, Manager's Office and Police Department to petition NJDOT for the speed limit reduction is an example of our dedication to the Lawrence Township community's well-being and safety."

This collaborative initiative underscores the commitment of local authorities to prioritize the safety of pedestrians and commuters alike.



SENIOR FREEZE Property Tax Reimbursement

Apply by October 31, 2024

- ✓ Homeowners
- ✓ Mobile Homeowners
- ✓ Age 65 or older OR disabled

Questions? Call or visit:

1-800-882-6597

state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ptr/

Coffee with a Cop

March 16th, 2024 9AM-11AM @ Cafe' Du Pain
2495 Us Highway 1 Ste 12, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648



Stop by for a cup, stay for a chat, leave with a new friend.

ALSO

To help combat the recent rash of Hyundai thefts, LTPD will be giving away free steering wheel locks to Hyundai owners.
(First come-first serve while supplies last)



Officer Spotlight

This month's "spotlight" is Detective James Steimle (#227). We know you have heard all about Det.

Steimle's partner, Brix, but we thought we would spotlight the man behind the K9. Det. Steimle has been with Lawrence PD for about 10 years. Aside from being our K9 Officer and a Detective, he is also a licensed drone operator, a firearms instructor, a former field training officer and a member of Mercer County's Cyber Crimes Task Force. Det. Steimle also has several other certifications and specializations but in the interest of brevity, we'll keep it short!

Det. Steimle is married and has two children. A 4-year-old girl and a 3-year-old boy. He graduated from Nottingham High School in Hamilton, where he also played football. After graduating in 2002, he went on to earn a degree in Criminal Justice from Mercer County Community College. Prior to joining us at LTPD, he worked at Lawrence Lexus for ten years.

In his free time, Det. Steimle enjoys fishing, working on cars, going to the beach and spending time with his family. Of course, he enjoys training with Brix!

While the training is required and can be demanding, Det. Steimle does not consider this part of his job. He just loves spending time with Brix. He is also a NY Giants and NY Mets fan.

When we asked him about memorable moments on the job he said, "One of my most memorable experiences is when Brix and I found a missing 3-year-old boy. The boy had autism and an attraction to water. We [he and Brix] found him near a local creek and returned him safely home." That's incredible Det. Steimle. We can only imagine that the outcome would have been much different were it not for you and Brix! Det. Steimle added, "I really enjoy what I do. Of course, making sergeant one day would be cool. If in ten years I'm still doing what I do now, I'm VERY happy with that."

Det. Steimle, we are very lucky that you and Brix serve in Lawrence Twp.! You are both assets to our community!

Detective James Steimle

Lawrence Township Bulk Trash pick up is the last Friday of every month

Residents can put out 3 "bulky" items per household





FEBRUARY 20, 2024

Celebrating 327 Years of The Township of Lawrence



Did you know?

Property owners in
Lawrence Township will
NOT have an increase in
municipal taxes under the
2024 budget recommended
by the municipal manager to
council on January 16th!

Happy 327th Anniversary, Lawrence Township, New Jersey!

On February 20 we celebrate 327 incredible years of community, history, and progress in Lawrence Township! From our humble beginnings to the vibrant and diverse community we are today, each year has added another layer to our rich tapestry.

Here's to the countless stories shared, friendships formed, and memories made within our beloved township. Let's honor the generations before us who worked tirelessly to shape Lawrence Township into the thriving hub it is today.

As we commemorate this special milestone, let's also look forward with hope and determination to continue building an even brighter future together. Happy Anniversary, Lawrence Township!

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Lawrence Township Office on Aging Senior Center Calendar



Women's History Month

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 YOGA 9 - 10 AM LINE DANCE 10 - 11 AM WATERCOLOR FREESTYLE - 10 AM BINGO 1 - 3 PM	2 YOGA 9 - 10 AM LINE DANCE 10 - 11 AM WATERCOLOR FREESTYLE - 10 AM BINGO 1 - 3 PM
3 EXERCISE - 9 AM ACRYLIC ART - 10:00 AM TAI-CHI - 10:30 AM MAH-JONGG - 1:00 PM	4 EXERCISE - 9 AM ACRYLIC ART - 10:00 AM TAI-CHI - 10:30 AM MAH-JONGG - 1:00 PM	5 DUPLICATE BRIDGE - 9 AM NO CLUB AARP TAX By Appointment SCULPTURE CLASS - 1:00 PM HEALTHY BONES 1:30 PM	6 LINE DANCE - 9:30 AM MEDICARE PATROL TALK 10:30 AM BUSY BEES - 12:30 PM MEMOIR WRITING - 2 PM	7 EXERCISE - 9 AM RUMMIKUB - 1:00 PM PEOPLE & STORIES - 1:30 PM	8 YOGA 9 - 10 AM LINE DANCE 10 - 11 AM WATERCOLOR FREESTYLE - 10 AM BINGO 1 - 3 PM	9 YOGA 9 - 10 AM LINE DANCE 10 - 11 AM WATERCOLOR FREESTYLE - 10 AM BINGO 1 - 3 PM
10 SPRING AHEAD 12 ACRYLIC ART - 10:00 AM TAI-CHI - 10:30 AM MAH-JONGG - 1:00 PM Rutgers Saving Money While Shopping Series - 1:30 PM	11 EXERCISE - 9 AM ACRYLIC ART - 10:00 AM TAI-CHI - 10:30 AM MAH-JONGG - 1:00 PM Rutgers Saving Money While Shopping Series - 1:30 PM	12 DUPLICATE BRIDGE - 9 AM CLUB #2 - 10:00 AM AARP TAX By Appointment SCULPTURE CLASS - 1:00 PM HEALTHY BONES 1:30 PM	13 LINE DANCE - 9:30 AM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING 9:30 AM BUSY BEES - 12:30 PM MEMOIR WRITING - 2 PM	14 EXERCISE - 9 AM RUMMIKUB - 1:00 PM ST. PATRICK'S DAY SOCIAL 1:00 - 3:00 PM PEOPLE & STORIES - 1:30 PM	15 YOGA 9 - 10 AM LINE DANCE 10 - 11 AM WATERCOLOR FREESTYLE - 10 AM BINGO 1 - 3 PM	16 YOGA 9 - 10 AM LINE DANCE 10 - 11 AM WATERCOLOR FREESTYLE - 10 AM BINGO 1 - 3 PM
17 EXERCISE - 9 AM ACRYLIC ART - 10:00 AM TAI-CHI - 10:30 AM MAH-JONGG - 1:00 PM	18 EXERCISE - 9 AM ACRYLIC ART - 10:00 AM TAI-CHI - 10:30 AM MAH-JONGG - 1:00 PM	19 DUPLICATE BRIDGE - 9 AM CLUB #1 - 10:00 AM AARP TAX By Appointment SCULPTURE CLASS - 1:00 PM HEALTHY BONES 1:30 PM	20 LINE DANCE - 9:30 AM HEALTH DEPARTMENT PROGRAM 10:30 AM BUSY BEES - 12:30 PM MEMOIR WRITING - 2 PM	21 EXERCISE - 9 AM RUMMIKUB - 1:00 PM WOMEN HISTORY MONTH PAINT & SIP 1:00 - 3:00 PM PEOPLE & STORIES - 1:30 PM	22 YOGA 9 - 10 AM LINE DANCE 10 - 11 AM WATERCOLOR FREESTYLE - 10 AM BINGO 1 - 3 PM	23 YOGA 9 - 10 AM LINE DANCE 10 - 11 AM WATERCOLOR FREESTYLE - 10 AM BINGO 1 - 3 PM
24 EXERCISE - 9 AM ACRYLIC ART - 10:00 AM TAI-CHI - 10:30 AM MAH-JONGG - 1:00 PM Rutgers Saving Money While Shopping Series - 1:30 PM	25 EXERCISE - 9 AM ACRYLIC ART - 10:00 AM TAI-CHI - 10:30 AM MAH-JONGG - 1:00 PM Rutgers Saving Money While Shopping Series - 1:30 PM	26 DUPLICATE BRIDGE - 9 AM CLUB #2 - 10:00 AM AARP TAX By Appointment SCULPTURE CLASS - 1:00 PM HEALTHY BONES 1:30 PM	27 LINE DANCE - 9:30 AM TALK BY PARK NATURALIST 10:45 AM BUSY BEES - 12:30 PM LAWRENCEVILLE STUDENT TECH HELP 1:00 - 3:00 PM MEMOIR WRITING - 2 PM	28 EXERCISE - 9 AM RUMMIKUB - 1:00 PM PEOPLE & STORIES - 1:30 PM	29 YOGA 9 - 10 AM LINE DANCE 10 - 11 AM WATERCOLOR FREESTYLE - 10 AM BINGO 1 - 3 PM TOWNSHIP OFFICES & SENIOR CENTER CLOSED	30 YOGA 9 - 10 AM LINE DANCE 10 - 11 AM WATERCOLOR FREESTYLE - 10 AM BINGO 1 - 3 PM

**LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP
SENIOR CENTER**
 30 East Darrah Lane, Lawrence Twp. NJ
Phone: 609-844-7048
 Office Hours: 8:30 - 4:30 pm
www.lawrencetwp.com
 Lillian LaSalle, Executive Director
llasalle@lawrencetwp.com
 Natasha Pacera, Recreation Leader
npacera@lawrencetwp.com

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES
 Senior Van available weekdays
 between 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM. By
 appointment only - Must call 48
 hours in advance. For
 Lawrence Townships Residents
 60+. Van Service only
 transports local.

REGISTRATION
 Pre-Registration is required
 for ALL Senior Center
 Programs by calling or visiting
 the center. Programs for
 Lawrence Twp.
 Seniors 60 years and older.

**MERCER COUNTY NUTRITION
HOT LUNCHEONS**
 MON. WED. THURS. AND FRI.
No Nutrition on Tuesdays
 9:15 AM - Coffee
 PLEASE Sign-in for meal by
 10:45 AM
 Pre-Registration Required -
 Please call
 (609) 883-8085 OR (609) 989-6650
 Site Manager: Vanessa Banks

SIGN UP FOR ACTIVITIES
 People & Stories, Rutgers
 Saving Money While
 Shopping Series, AARP
 Safe Driving Course, St.
 Patrick's Day Social and
 Women History Month
 Paint & Sip Activity



Christopher Longo
Chief of Police

Lawrence Township Police Department

2211 Lawrence Road, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648

MERCER COUNTY



Operation Blue Angel Application

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Home Phone #: _____

Other Phone #: _____

REASON FOR APPLICATION

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I have a medical condition that is potentially incapacitating and live alone.

DESCRIBE YOUR MEDICAL CONDITION:

Doctor's Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name:

Name:

Relationship:

Relationship:

Home Address:

Home Address:

Home Number:

Home Number:

Cell Number:

Cell Number:

PET INFORMATION:

Dog(s) Yes ☐ No ☐ If Yes how many and what breeds? _____

Cat(s) Yes ☐ No ☐ If Yes how many? _____

LIVING WILL INFORMATION:

Do you have a living will or Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) Form? Yes ☐ No ☐

If Yes, where is it located? _____

LOCATION: (INTERNAL USE ONLY) _

Shackle Code: _____

**Please return completed
applications to:**

Lawrence Township Police Department

**Attn: Lieutenant R. Laird
2211 Lawrence Rd
Lawrenceville, NJ 08648**

For questions, contact Lt. Laird at:

Ph 609-844-7123

Email: Rlaird@Lawrencetwp.com