



BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE

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John V. Lane
Mayor

Newsletter from Mayor

1-2-2026

Dear Resident,

Happy New Year, and my best wishes to you and your family for a happy and healthy 2026. On New Year's Day I was sworn in as mayor, and I want to thank you for your continued support. I am in my office full-time every weekday, and I welcome your input, your suggestion, your ideas, and your concerns. Working together, we can accomplish great things.

On Wednesday, January 7, the borough will hold its Reorganization Meeting at which time I will deliver the State of the Borough Address.

Today we welcomed our new Borough Administrator, Vincent Caruso, to the Borough of Hawthorne; we are very happy to have him as a part of our team. He will be sworn in at Wednesday's Reorganization Meeting.

On December 31, Eric Maurer, who had served as administrator for the last 20 years, retired. We wish Eric all the best on his retirement and thank him for all his years of service.

The Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce would like to thank their members who participated in their Holiday Window Decorating Contest. The winner for 2025 was Hair Hub Salon. Honorable Mention was given to Stewart's Deli and Maria Party Planner. Congratulations!

The Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce invites you to their Annual Dinner on Friday, January 30 at 6:30pm at Macaluso's where they will honor Angelina's Fine Italian Deli and Salon TG. Tickets are \$90 per person; please see the attached flyer for more details.

The 2026 calendars were mailed before the Christmas holiday, and at this point you should have received it. I encourage you to read through it and familiarize yourself with all the great information it holds.

I have also attached a copy of the January calendar for the library, including some flyers for various events happening.

I have attached a flyer from our friends at Abundant Life and the program *Finding Beauty Together in Dementia's Changing Landscape* they are hosting on Wednesday, January 14. For more information and details on the program please see the attached.

We will be holding a blood drive on Sunday, January 25, in memory of George Lodder; for details, please see the attached flyer.

Attention Hawthorne Senior Residents: On Saturday, January 31, 2026 at 1pm, we will be holding a Senior Movie Matinee at the Hawthorne Theater. Please join us for a screen of Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid. Following the movie, join us for coffee/tea and dessert at the Celtic Corner. This event is a free event, and I hope you will attend. For sign up for tickets, please call Ellen at 973-427-1168, ext. 1. I am also attaching a copy of the menu for January at the senior center.

The Hawthorne Soccer Association has announced registration for 2026 Winter Indoor Soccer. Registration is ongoing, and registration closes today – no exceptions; please see attached flyer.

Hawthorne Baseball Softball Association has announced that 2026 Spring Registration is open; the deadline to register is January 31, 2026.

If you have old holiday lights, we do recycle them! Please bring them to the Recycling Center.

Enjoy the weekend, and please stay safe.

Sincerely,

Mayor John V. Lane



**HAWTHORNE CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE**



proudly presents



**WINNERS OF OUR
HOLIDAY WINDOW
DECORATING CONTEST**
LET'S LIGHT UP HAWTHORNE!

WINNER

Hair Hub Salon

HONORABLE MENTION

Stewart's Deli

Maria Party Planner

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!

**HAWTHORNE
CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE**



**HAWTHORNE CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE
ANNUAL DINNER
HONORING**

*Angelina's Fine Italian Deli
and
Salon TG*

FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 30, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.

\$90 per person ~ Dinner, Wine, Beer & Dessert

Macaluso's Restaurant

55 Fourth Avenue, Hawthorne, NJ

To purchase tickets, please mail your check made payable to

"Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce",

P.O. Box 331, Hawthorne, NJ 07507

Email: info@hawthornechamber.org or Phone # 973-427-5078

***TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE UNTIL
FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 2026.***

***Tickets will NOT be sold at the door.
We appreciate your support.***

Louis Bay 2nd Library & Community Center

345 Lafayette Ave Hawthorne, NJ 07506

973-427-5745

www.louisbay2ndlibrary.org



JANUARY

2026



[R] = REGISTRATION
REQUIRED ONLINE OR
SCAN THIS QR CODE



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>5</p> <p>ESL [R] 9:30-3pm Mahjong 6-8:45pm Friends Book Sale 6:30-8pm</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Friends Book Sale 10-12pm Easy Yoga 10:30-11:30am Bridge 1-4pm Rummikub 1-4pm</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Rotary Club 12-1:30pm</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Happy New Year WE'RE CLOSED</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Needles & Hooks 1-3pm</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Friends Book Sale 10-12pm</p>
<p>12</p> <p>ESL [R] 9:30-3pm Adult Senior Book Club 1-2:30pm Connections Book Club 1:30-3pm Mahjong 6-8:45pm Friends Book Sale 6:30-8pm</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Friends Book Sale 10-12pm Easy Yoga 10:30-11:30am Bridge 1-4pm Rummikub 1-4pm Rock Hollow Association 6:30-8:30pm</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Library Board Meeting 4:30-5:30pm</p>	<p>15</p> <p>ESL [R] 9:30-3pm Canasta 1-4pm Computer Class [R] 2-3pm</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Needles & Hooks 1-3pm</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Friends Book Sale 10-12pm</p>
<p>19</p> <p>MLK DAY WE'RE CLOSED</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Friends Book Sale 10-12pm Easy Yoga 10:30-11:30am Stress Less 11:30-1pm Bridge 1-4pm Rummikub 1-4pm Lafayette Hills Association 6:30-8:45pm</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Rotary Club 12-1:30pm Adult Board Game Night [R] 7-8:30pm</p>	<p>22</p> <p>ESL [R] 9:30-3pm Canasta 1-4pm Computer Class [R] 2-3pm Adult Craft [R] 6-8pm</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Needles & Hooks 1-3pm</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Learn to Paint with Ovi [R] 11-1pm</p>
<p>26</p> <p>ESL [R] 9:30-3pm Mahjong 6-8:45pm Friends Book Sale 6:30-8pm</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Friends Book Sale 10-12pm Easy Yoga 10:30-11:30am Bridge 1-4pm Rummikub 1-4pm Teen D&D [R] 5-7pm</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Overdue Book Club [R] 7-8pm</p>	<p>29</p> <p>ESL [R] 9:30-3pm Canasta 1-4pm Computer Class [R] 2-3pm</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Needles & Hooks 1-3pm</p>	<p>31</p>

EASY YOGA



**ENJOY DEEP BREATHING EXERCISES WHILE YOU WORK OUT
AT YOUR OWN PACE IN OUR EASY YOGA CLASSES.**

**CHAIRS ARE AVAILABLE SO THAT YOU CAN SIT AND PARTICIPATE
NO REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**

EVERY TUESDAY

10:30-11:30 AM



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www.louisbay2ndlibrary.org**



From Bach to Bop Part II



Bop

Bop

Treat yourself to a live piano concert this
Holiday Season with Hawthorne's very own
composers and talented piano players
Harrison Kessler-Stein
& Judy Kessler

JANUARY

10

2-3pm

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Registration
Required: Scan
this QR code or
visit our
website



@LouisBayLibrary

GOLDEN CIRCLE



IT'S A GREAT WAY TO MEET NEW FRIENDS!

JANUARY 8TH & THEN

1ST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH

11AM - 2 PM

ADULT SOCIAL GROUP

NO REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

PLEASE STOP BY TO MEET US AND LEARN MORE



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THE KALEIDOSCOPE:

FINDING BEAUTY TOGETHER IN DEMENTIA'S CHANGING LANDSCAPE



A Monthly Speaker Series on Dementia, Connection & Community

Most people hope to remain in their homes as they age—but doing so safely requires thoughtful planning.

In this month's Kaleidoscope presentation, **Linda Chinman Pollock of North Jersey Home Maintenance Group** will explore the key areas of the home that should be assessed to support aging in place. She will highlight simple home modifications that can significantly improve safety and, some cases, be life-saving.

The presentation will also explore smart technology solutions that can enhance safety and provide peace of mind for individuals and their loved ones.

About Our Event

 Wednesday, January 14, 2026

 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

 Abundant Life Reformed Church
475 Lafayette Avenue
Wyckoff, NJ

 Held the 2nd Wednesday of each month

 Light Supper: 5:30 – 6:00 PM

 Presentation & Q&A: 6:00 – 7:00 PM

 RSVP:

DementiaSupport@abundantlifewyckoff.org
or 201.444.8038

 **Free to attend**
All are welcome,
but *please* RSVP



January Topic:

Aging in Place & Smart Technology

Enhancing safety and peace of mind at home

You Will Learn:

Key areas of the home that deserve attention as needs change. ◀

Simple home modifications that improve safety. ◀

How smart technology can support daily living and emergency response. ◀

Tools that enhance safety while easing caregiver concerns ◀



Contact us

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Learn More:

www.abundantlifewyckoff.org

Roll up your
sleeve in memory
of someone special.



IN MEMORY OF GEORGE LODDER

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25
9:00AM – 3:00PM

HAWTHORNE FIRE DEPT. CO. #2
10 Llewellyn, Avenue, Hawthorne NJ

Appointments are preferred.

To sign up scan the QR-code or visit
nybc.org/sponsor and use code **72829**
or call 1-800-933-2566
Walk ins are still welcome.



George Lodder was a 30 year veteran of the Hawthorne Fire Department where he served as Captain of Company 2 and a Safety Officer for the Department. George was also an EMT both as a career and volunteer. George was a dedicated instructor at the academy teaching both Fire and EMT programs.

In 2015 George passed away after a long battle with lung cancer that spread to his stomach. Even while sick he still spent his life giving back to others whether teaching, responding to emergencies, or asking to run a blood drive a month before his passing to gather blood/platelets for those in need and thank the doctors for their efforts.

Senior Movie Matinee

Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid

Mayor John Lane would like to invite all Hawthorne residents over 60 years old to a Movie and Dessert.



Flavio Romeo, host of the Towncast, will be your host at the free screening of the original 1969 classic film, followed by coffee/tea and dessert at the Celtic Corner.

Saturday, January 31, 2026 - 1:00 pm

The Hawthorne Theater

For your free tickets, call 973-427-1168, ext. 1

JANUARY 2026 Phone Number 973-569-4099

PASSAIC COUNTY DIVISION OF NUTRITION SERVICES

Congregate



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			<p><u>1</u> CLOSED</p>	<p><u>2</u> Juice Seafood Salad Potato Salad Beets Dinner Roll Vanilla Pudding</p>
<p><u>5</u> Juice Stuffed Cabbage Boiled Potatoes Italian Mixed Veg. Wheat Bread Cookie</p>	<p><u>6</u> Mushroom Soup Hot dogs (2) Veggie Beans Sauerkraut 2 Hot dog buns Fruit Cup</p>	<p><u>7</u> Juice Smothered Chicken Cornbread Stuffing Collard Greens Dinner Roll Danish</p>	<p><u>8</u> Cream of Chicken Soup Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes Brussel Sprouts Dinner Roll Fruit Cocktail</p>	<p><u>9</u> Juice Egg Salad Sandwich Macaroni Salad Black Bean & Corn Salad Rye Bread (2) Pudding</p>
<p><u>12</u> Juice Stuffed Peppers Roasted Potatoes Mixed Veggies Wheat Bread Cookie</p>	<p><u>13</u> Vegetable Soup Chicken Parm Pasta Italian Mixed Vegetables Dinner Roll Diced Peaches</p>	<p><u>14</u> Juice Meatball Hero Buttered Noodles Italian Blend Hoagie Roll Pudding</p>	<p><u>15</u> Tomato Soup Sausage,pepper,onions Potato Coins Broccoli Hoagie roll Fruit Cup</p>	<p><u>16</u> Juice Crusted Cod Fish Yellow Rice & Beans Green Beans Italian Bread Fruit Cocktail</p>
<p>CLOSED</p>	<p><u>20</u> Chicken Noodle Soup Macaroni & Cheese Stewed Tomatoes Green Beans Dinner Roll Chocolate Pudding</p>	<p><u>21</u> Juice Italian Sub Chickpeas Potato Chips Coleslaw Sub Roll Danish</p>	<p><u>22</u> Vegetable Soup Chicken Marsala Mashed Potato Green Beans Wheat Bread Donut</p>	<p><u>23</u> Juice Tuna Salad Sandwich Macaroni Salad 3 Bean Salad Rye Bread (2) Jello</p>
<p><u>26</u> Juice Eggplant Rollatini Pasta Brussel Sprouts Wheat Bread Diced Peaches</p>	<p><u>27</u> Mushroom Soup Breaded Chicken Tenders Roasted Potatoes Carrots Wheat Bread Jello</p>	<p><u>28</u> Juice Cheeseburger Tatertots Coleslaw Hamburger Roll Vanilla Pudding</p>	<p><u>29</u> Cream of Chicken Pot Roast Mashed Potatoes Carrots Dinner Roll Fruit Cocktail</p>	<p><u>30</u> Juice Potato Pierogies Red Cabbage Brussel Sprouts Dinner Roll Applesauce</p>



- Portion Sizes:**
- * Meat or Alternative - 3 oz. Cooked
 - * Vegetables and Fruits - 1/2 cup serving each
 - * 1/2 pt. Milk
 - * All menus provide 1/3 of the Daily Recommended Allowance

Fruit and Vegetable of the Month:
Tangerines, Dried Cranberries, Sundried Tomatoes, & Raisins
Prepared by: John Chipman, Program Dietitian
All menus are subject to change

HAWTHORNE SOCCER ASSOCIATION

2026 SOCCER REGISTRATION • WINTER INDOOR

The Hawthorne Soccer Association is holding registration for the Winter 2026 Instructional Soccer Programs.



Programs available for 3 and 4-year-olds*,
5–6-year-olds, and 7–8** -year-olds!
**Young 8-year-olds; born on or after November 30, 2017



REGISTRATION AVAILABLE NOW!

Online at

<https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/505805>

**3 and 4-year old groups are limited to 15 players each. Registration for those age groups will close once at capacity.*



The Instructional program is open to children who are residents of Hawthorne born between **November 30, 2017 and January 16, 2023.**

- **5-6 and 7-8 year olds will have games** during the week starting January 19th through March 31st (days and times will vary)
- **3 & 4 year olds sessions** will be Saturday mornings
- **Fee - \$80 per child (\$120 for two children, \$150 for three children).** Includes a game T-shirt (must be worn to every game).
- Please have a copy of your **child's birth certificate and proof of Hawthorne residence**
- Registration is **ONLINE ONLY**
 - After December 21st there is a \$15 late fee
 - After December 28th there is a \$20 late fee
 - Registration **closes** January 5th - ***NO EXCEPTIONS***

Additional information can be found at

hawthorne.soccer



Please email questions to hawthornesoccer2021@aol.com



2026 SPRING REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!!

Register Today at <http://hawthornebaseballsoftball.org/registration/>

Divisions By School Grade

DIVISION	BASEBALL	SOFTBALL
Pee-Wees	1 st & 2 nd	1 st & 2 nd
Juniors	3 rd & 4 th	3 rd , 4 th & 5 th
Seniors	5 th & 6 th	6 th , 7 th & 8 th

Register by the 1/31 deadline to ensure enrollment and avoid a \$50 late registration fee. Once the deadline has passed your child's name will be placed on a waiting list.

Practices Begin	March 2026
Opening Day	April 2026

Hawthorne Baseball and Softball Organization is a 100% volunteer organization and we could use your help!

Sign up to be a coach at <http://hawthornebaseballsoftball.org/registration/>

REGISTRATION DATES & FEES

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION
 11/1/2025 – 12/31/2025
 \$150 (\$225 Family Maximum)

REGULAR REGISTRATION
 1/1/2026 – 1/31/2026
 \$175 (\$275 Family Maximum)

For any further details please email the HBSA at hbsanj@gmail.com



OLD HOLIDAY LIGHTS – Bring to our Recycling Center
A SPECIAL COLLECTION UNTIL JANUARY 31ST

ALL LIGHTS WILL BE DONATED TO THE
“MOM’S ORGANIC MARKET” in Paramus

Reminder: Our Recycling Center collects old lights in the
Electronic Container (all year round)



WHAT IS ACCEPTED:

Any run-down, well-used, or non-working holiday lights.

WHAT HAPPENS TO THE LIGHTS?

A Better Way Recycling collects all lights and then breaks them down through smelting or shredding to recover raw materials. These raw materials are then used to create roofing and construction materials, piping, car batteries, other electronics, lead wheel weights, flatware, jewelry, and more!

WHY RECYCLE YOUR BROKEN HOLIDAY LIGHTS?

Americans throw away **25%** more trash during the Thanksgiving to New Year’s holiday period than any other time of year. The extra waste amounts to

25 million tons of garbage!

Lights strands contain **metals that can be recovered** for future uses.

By dismantling and providing reuse possibilities, intact **natural resources are conserved** and air and water pollution caused by hazardous disposal is avoided.

Recycling **reduces the amount of greenhouse gas emissions** caused by the manufacturing of new products!