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Woodbridge Township
Annual Independence Day
FIREWORKS!!
Bring your lawn chairs and join us under the stars
Monday, July 3, 2017
Raindate: Wednesday July 5, 2017
Gates open at 4:00 P. M.
Alvin P. Williams Memorial Park
Sewaren, NJ
Live Music by
AM GOLD
with **CITY HICKS**

WPD Issues Fireworks Warning

Private Use of Fireworks is Illegal

Illegal Fireworks Will Be Confiscated & Violators Arrested

KABOOM!!!! FIREWORKS OVER THE WOODBRIDGE WATERFRONT!!! CELEBRATE AN EVENING DEDICATED TO AMERICA AND HER HEROES ON MON., JULY 3 AT ALVIN P. WILLIAMS MEMORIAL PARK ON THE SEWAREN WATERFRONT.

[Woodbridge] Mayor John E. McCormac today announced that the annual Woodbridge Township Independence Day Festival and Fireworks display will get underway on Mon., July 3, 2017 at Alvin P. Williams Memorial Park on the Sewaren waterfront.

“We are extremely excited to announce that Woodbridge Township is again hosting one of the largest Independence Day fireworks display and celebration in the state,” Mayor McCormac said. “Woodbridge Township is home to military personnel currently serving overseas and to military veterans who served and protected America’s freedom and democracy in conflicts around the world - it is to those brave military personnel and veterans that we dedicate this year’s Independence Day celebration. This year, Woodbridge Township will offer a special salute and recognition to our Veterans who served our nation in the various Middle East conflicts.”

The Woodbridge Township fireworks display and entertainment event draws thousands of residents to the Sewaren waterfront and is an extraordinary celebration of place and country. The renowned Pyrotecnico Fireworks will bring a world-class pyrotechnics display to the Sewaren waterfront with more than 25 thousand shots fired electronically by computers in synchronization to a wide selection of patriotic and contemporary music.

The Independence Day festivities kick-off with live music by the City Hicks at 5:00 PM. Mayor McCormac and Township officials recognize the Veterans and Military personnel at 7:15 PM. AM GOLD takes the stage at 8:00 PM followed by the incredible "Bringing the Night to Life" fireworks display choreographed to music at dusk (approximately 9:15 PM). This year, the fireworks will be simulcast on 1079 WOLD radio.

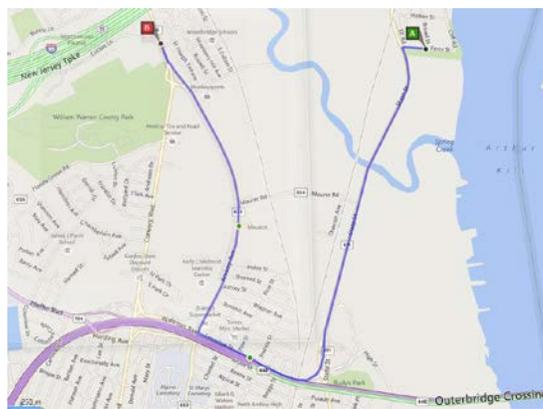
Alvin P. Williams Park will be closed during the day to allow for the fireworks set-up. The gates will open to the public at 4:00 PM. Lawn chairs, blankets and picnics are encouraged. There is no reserved seating and no alcoholic beverages are permitted in the park. In case of inclement weather call the Woodbridge Township Department of Recreation at 732-602-6045 or go to the Township web page at: www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us.

The Woodbridge Police Department reminds residents and visitors that all types of fireworks are illegal in Woodbridge Township. Under the state Fireworks Regulation Law, it is a crime to sell, use, and/or possess any kind of fireworks, including firecrackers, roman candles, M80's, cherry bombs, salutes, and sparklers. Possession of illegal fireworks is a disorderly person's offense and is punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000 and/or up to 30 days in jail. Possession with intent to sell is a Fourth Degree crime, punishable by a fine of up to \$10,000 and/or up to 18 months in jail. Possession of destructive devices is a Third Degree crime with fines of up to \$10,000 and incarceration of up to three to five years in jail. Anyone found guilty of using fireworks illegally can be fined up to \$500.00 and/or a jail term of up to 30 days.

The Woodbridge Police Department will be on patrol throughout the extended Fourth of July weekend and will respond to any location where illegal fireworks are in use. Additionally, the WPD will respond to any complaints or instances where the use of illegal fireworks jeopardizes public safety and will take appropriate action, including arrest and confiscation of illegal fireworks, to protect public safety. **THE USE OF ANY FIREWORKS IS ILLEGAL AND ARRESTS WILL BE MADE.**

WPD TRAFFIC ALERT ~ JULY 3 FIREWORKS:

At the conclusion of the July 3 fireworks all traffic exiting Sewaren via Ferry Street (by Moby Dick's) will be directed to make a left turn onto State Street. Traffic will not be permitted to make a right turn onto West Avenue towards Woodbridge. State Street traffic into Perth Amboy will be prohibited from turning right onto Maurer Road (hole in the wall) that separates the Chevron property. Traffic will be diverted down West Ave./State Street onto Route 440, to Amboy Avenue, back into Woodbridge.



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Mayor

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