

Seasonal fun on tap in Bloomfield

*Here's the holly jolly December line-up
of Township-sponsored seasonal programs:*

■ **Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony**

Kick off the 2016 holiday season at Bloomfield's annual tree lighting ceremony on Monday, Dec. 5 at 6:30 p.m. at Municipal Plaza (Town Hall). Enjoy hot chocolate and cookies, caroling by the Bloomfield High School Concert Choir and Bloomfield boy scouts and girl scouts, plus a special appearance by Santa.

■ **Children's Holiday Program**

The annual Bloomfield Children's Holiday Program will take place Saturday, Dec. 10 from noon to 3 p.m. at the Civic Center (84 Broad Street). Children will enjoy refreshments, arts and crafts, face painting and pictures with Santa. Bring your own camera for photos.

■ **House Decorating Contest**

Share your holiday spirit and creativity. E-mail your digital photo, JPEG format, to dsampson@bloomfieldtwpnj.com. Include name, address and phone number. Or bring the photo in person to the Civic Center, 84 Broad Street. Deadline: Wednesday, Dec. 14. The winner (to be announced by Dec. 20) will get a free family dinner at Angelo's Restaurant and Pizzeria. The contest is open to Bloomfield residents only.

Shop efficiently, without the kids

Does lacking child care make it hard to get your holiday shopping done? Bloomfield Recreation offers "Drop & Shop" — Dec. 2 and 9, from 6 to 9 p.m. — two Friday night opportunities for you to shop while your children (grades K-6) are entertained at the Civic Center. For \$20 per night, your child will get pizza, soda, water, games, movies, and arts and crafts, all supervised by professional staff. Pre-registration is required.