



February 7, 2017

Mayor Stewart K. Patrick & Council Members  
Glen Ridge Borough  
825 Bloomfield Avenue  
PO Box 66  
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Dear Mayor Patrick & Council,

We are pleased to announce that HackensackUMC Mountainside will be participating in a long standing Hackensack Meridian Health initiative entitled, “**Paint the Town Pink.**” This annual event raises awareness of the benefits of annual mammograms, the importance of early detection, and numerous other women’s health issues. Each May, participating communities use banners and bows to become “Pink” for the month to show their support for this important cause.

Paint the Town Pink started in 2007 in Red Bank, New Jersey, and has flourished and expanded every single year due to increased community involvement and support. Last year, 52 towns in Monmouth, Middlesex and Ocean counties participated, along with more than **1,500** businesses, community groups, and schools. This year, as a result of the new Hackensack Meridian Health partnership, we have expanded this initiative to Bergen, Hudson and Essex counties. We anticipate this year that a record number of communities will “Go Pink” in support of women’s health.

We are writing to you today to invite the Borough of Glen Ridge to join our other communities to Paint the Town Pink in May, 2017. As a participating town, you will receive pink banners and bows to display in your town as a visible symbol of the Township’s support of this important cause. Glen Ridge would be listed as a participating town at **PaintTheTownPink.com**, which we hope would spur additional community involvement. For example, businesses in town can participate free of charge, residents are encouraged to “pink their rides,” and many municipalities and other community organizations have even hosted signature events to raise awareness and to support women’s health initiatives. **We will be hosting an Information Session about “Paint The Town Pink” on Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the Auditorium at HackensackUMC Mountainside, 1 Bay Avenue Montclair, NJ. Please RSVP to Megan Voytus at 973-429-6964. All are welcome to attend.**

If you would like to join our Paint the Town Pink community, all we need at this time is for you to fill out the attached form to provide certain information concerning banner placement, municipal contacts and **return to Megan Voytus [megan.voytus@mountainsidehosp.com](mailto:megan.voytus@mountainsidehosp.com) before March 29, 2017.** We will coordinate the placement of banners, bows and other signage with local officials and utilities.

We look forward to hearing from you and sincerely hope you will Paint the Town Pink for 2017!

**Sincerely,**

Jan Huston, M.D.  
Medical Director, Breast Program  
Chair, Paint The Town Pink

Megan Voytus  
Marketing Coordinator  
Paint The Town Pink



**Participating Organizations**

- Alliance for a Living Ocean
- American Littoral Society
- Arthur Kill Coalition
- Asbury Park Fishing Club
- Bayshore Regional Watershed Council
- Bayshore Saltwater Flyrodders
- Belford Seafood Co-op
- Belnar Fishing Club
- Beneath The Sea
- Bergen Save the Watershed Action Network
- Berkeley Shores Homeowners Civic Association
- Cape May Environmental Commission
- Central Jersey Anglers
- Citizens Conservation Council of Ocean County
- Clean Air Campaign, NY
- Clearwater of New Jersey
- Coalition Against Toxics
- Coalition for Peace & Justice/Unplug Salem
- Coastal Jersey Parrot Head Club
- Communication Workers of America, Local 1036 & 1038
- Concerned Businesses of COA
- Concerned Citizens of Bensonhurst
- Concerned Citizens of COA
- Concerned Citizens of Montauk
- Concerned Students and Educators of COA
- Eastern Monmouth Chamber of Commerce
- Fisher's Island Conservancy
- Fishermen's Conservation Association, NJ Chapter
- Fishermen's Conservation Association, NY Chapter
- Fishermen's Dock Cooperative, Pt Pleasant
- Friends of Island Beach State Park
- Friends of Liberty State Park, NJ
- Friends of the Boardwalk, NY
- Garden Club of Bay Head and Mantoloking
- Garden Club of Brielle/Bayberry
- Garden Club of Englewood
- Garden Club of Fair Haven
- Garden Club of Long Beach Island
- Garden Club of RFD Middletown
- Garden Club of Morristown
- Garden Club of Navesink
- Garden Club of New Jersey
- Garden Club of New Vernon
- Garden Club of Oceanport
- Garden Club of Princeton
- Garden Club of Rumson
- Garden Club of Sea Girt/Holly
- Garden Club of Short Hills
- Garden Club of Shrewsbury
- Garden Club of Spring Lake
- Garden Club of Terra Nova
- Garden Club of Three Harbors
- Garden Club of Washington Valley
- Great Egg Harbor Watershed Association
- Green Party of Monmouth County
- Green Party of New Jersey
- Highlands Business Partnership
- Hudson River Fishermen's Association
- Jersey Shore Captains Association
- Jersey Shore Parrot Head Club
- Jersey Shore Partnership
- Jersey Shore Running Club
- Junior League of Monmouth County
- Keypoint Environmental Commission
- Kiwanis Club of Manasquan
- Kwanis Club of Shadow Lake Village
- Leonardo Party & Pleasure Boat Association
- Leonardo Tax Payers Association
- Main Street Wildwood
- Mantoloking Environmental Commission
- Marine Trades Association of NJ
- Monmouth Conservation Foundation
- Monmouth County Association of Realtors
- Monmouth County Audubon Society
- National Coalition for Marine Conservation
- Natural Resources Protective Association, NY
- NJ Beach Buggy Association
- NJ Commercial Fishermen's Association
- NJ Environmental Federation
- NJ Environmental Lobby
- NJ Main Ship Owners Group
- NJ Marine Education Association
- NJ PHRG Citizen Lobby
- Nottingham Hunting & Fishing Club, NJ
- NYC Sea Gypsies
- NY State Marine Education Association
- NY/NJ Baykeeper
- Ocean Wreck Divers, NJ
- PaddleOut.org
- Picatinny Saltwater Sportsmen Club
- Raritan Riverkeeper
- Religious on Water
- Rotary Club of Long Branch
- Rotary District #7540—Interact
- Saltwater Anglers of Bergen County
- Sandy Hook Bay Anglers
- Save Bamegat Bay
- Save the Bay, NJ
- SEAS Monmouth
- Shark Research Institute
- Shark River Cleanup Coalition
- Shark River Surf Anglers
- Shore Adventure Club
- Sierra Club, NJ Shore Chapter
- Sisters of Charity, Maris Stella
- Sons of Ireland of Monmouth County
- Soroptimist Club of Cape May County
- South Jersey Dive Club
- South Monmouth Board of Realtors
- Staten Island Tuna Club
- Strathmere Fishing & Environmental Club
- Surfers' Environmental Alliance
- Surfrider Foundation, Jersey Shore Chapter
- TACK 1, MA
- Unitarian Universalist Congregation/Monm. Cnty.
- United Boatmen of NY/NJ
- Village Garden Club
- Volunteer Friends of Boaters, NJ
- WATERSPIRIT
- Women's Club of Brick Township
- Women's Club of Keypoint
- Women's Club of Long Branch
- Women's Club of Merchantville
- Women's Club of Spring Lake
- Zen Society



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February 21, 2017

Mayor Stuart K. Patrick  
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Dear Mayor Patrick,

We hope you're having an enjoyable Winter!

As the season comes to a close, Clean Ocean Action (COA) prepares for our **32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Beach Sweeps**. As you may know, the Beach Sweeps program originated in 1985 with 72 volunteers at one location, Sandy Hook. Thanks to town participation, Beach Sweeps has expanded in its 30 year history to 70 locations welcoming thousands of volunteers each in the Spring and Fall.

As we approach the Spring season, COA cordially invites you and your town to participate in the **Spring Beach Sweeps on Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>**, and the **Fall Beach Sweeps on Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>**, from 9:00am to 12:30pm.

In anticipation of the annual Beach Sweeps, COA looks forward to your town's participation, which is an integral component for the success of this program. The data collected by our citizen scientists turns a one-day event into a legacy of information to combat litter and other sources of pollution by identifying and monitoring trends. This information, compiled within our Beach Sweeps Report, helps find solutions to keep beaches clean and healthy for citizens and marine life and to help create federal, state, and local programs and laws to reduce litter in the environment.

The success of the Beach Sweeps program illustrates the public's support for a clean ocean, as well as the power of citizen action. The ultimate goal of the program is to have naturally clean beaches where these types of clean-up events are no longer needed.

On behalf of Clean Ocean Action, thank you for your support and participation in the Beach Sweeps. We truly appreciate volunteers who are eager to give back to the ocean and collect data which is used to educate the public about debris that washes ashore, as well as to advocate for pollution prevention laws and initiatives.

Please contact me at (732) 872-0111 or at [programs@cleanoceanaction.org](mailto:programs@cleanoceanaction.org) with any questions you may have and to confirm your participation **for both dates**.

Kindest regards,

Amy Arietta  
Program and Administrative Coordinator



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February 27, 2017

Mr. Timothy Stafford, Township Manager  
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RE: Montclair Fpsa, Essex County, New Jersey  
Public Protection Classification: 02  
Effective Date: June 01, 2017

Dear Mr. Timothy Stafford,

We wish to thank you Mr. Gary Obszarny, Lieutenant Thomas Flynn and Chief John Herrmann for your cooperation during our recent Public Protection Classification (PPC) survey. ISO has completed its analysis of the structural fire suppression delivery system provided in your community. The resulting classification is indicated above.

If you would like to know more about your community's PPC classification, or if you would like to learn about the potential effect of proposed changes to your fire suppression delivery system, please call us at the phone number listed below.

ISO's Public Protection Classification Program (PPC) plays an important role in the underwriting process at insurance companies. In fact, most U.S. insurers – including the largest ones – use PPC information as part of their decision-making when deciding what business to write, coverage's to offer or prices to charge for personal or commercial property insurance.

Each insurance company independently determines the premiums it charges its policyholders. The way an insurer uses ISO's information on public fire protection may depend on several things – the company's fire-loss experience, ratemaking methodology, underwriting guidelines, and its marketing strategy.

Through ongoing research and loss experience analysis, we identified additional differentiation in fire loss experience within our PPC program, which resulted in the revised classifications. We based the differing fire loss experience on the fire suppression capabilities of each community. The new classifications will improve the predictive value for insurers while benefiting both commercial and residential property owners. We've published the new classifications as "X" and "Y" — formerly the "9" and "8B" portion of the split classification, respectively. For example:

- A community currently graded as a split 6/9 classification will now be a split 6/6X classification; with the "6X" denoting what was formerly classified as "9."
- Similarly, a community currently graded as a split 6/8B classification will now be a split 6/6Y classification, the "6Y" denoting what was formerly classified as "8B."



- Communities graded with single “9” or “8B” classifications will remain intact.
- Properties over 5 road miles from a recognized fire station would receive a class 10.

PPC is important to communities and fire departments as well. Communities whose PPC improves may get lower insurance prices. PPC also provides fire departments with a valuable benchmark, and is used by many departments as a valuable tool when planning, budgeting and justifying fire protection improvements.

ISO appreciates the high level of cooperation extended by local officials during the entire PPC survey process. The community protection baseline information gathered by ISO is an essential foundation upon which determination of the relative level of fire protection is made using the Fire Suppression Rating Schedule.

The classification is a direct result of the information gathered, and is dependent on the resource levels devoted to fire protection in existence at the time of survey. Material changes in those resources that occur after the survey is completed may affect the classification. Although ISO maintains a pro-active process to keep baseline information as current as possible, in the event of changes please call us at 1-800-444-4554, option 2 to expedite the update activity.

ISO is the leading supplier of data and analytics for the property/casualty insurance industry. Most insurers use PPC classifications for underwriting and calculating premiums for residential, commercial and industrial properties. The PPC program is not intended to analyze all aspects of a comprehensive structural fire suppression delivery system program. It is not for purposes of determining compliance with any state or local law, nor is it for making loss prevention or life safety recommendations.

If you have any questions about your classification, please let us know.

Sincerely,

*Dominic Santanna*

Dominic Santanna  
Manager -National Processing Center

cc: Mr. Michael Rohal, Administrator, GLEN RIDGE, ESSEX  
Mr. Gary Obszarny, Utility Director, Montclair Water Department  
Lieutenant Thomas Flynn, Supervisor, Montclair Police Department  
Chief John Herrmann, Chief, Montclair Fire Department