September 2016

Dear Friend:

We have a busy schedule of events this fall, with everything from community recycling days for Essex County residents to a variety of special activities throughout our historic Parks System. We hope you take the time to review the enclosed information and mark your calendars. Here are three events that we’d like to highlight:

**11th ANNUAL SENIOR WELLNESS DAY**
*Tuesday, September 27th from 10 am to 2 pm*
*Essex County Codey Arena, 560 Northfield Avenue, West Orange*

Essex County Seniors ages 60 years and older can enjoy an activity-filled day with music, entertainment and information about community organizations and programs that can help them live independently and remain active. Bags of produce will be distributed. For information, call 973-621-4400. For transportation to the event, call 973-618-1290.

**ESSEX COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY**
*Saturday, October 1st from 8:30 am to 4 pm*
*125 Fairview Ave., Cedar Grove (next to the old Hospital Center)*

Protect our environment by properly disposing of household materials. Essex County residents must show proof of residency at the site. For information, call the Essex County Utilities Authority at 973-792-9060.

**ESSEX COUNTY COMPUTER AND ELECTRONICS RECYCLING DAY**
*Saturday, October 15th from 9 am to 3 pm*
*125 Fairview Ave., Cedar Grove (next to the old Hospital Center)*

Give your old and unwanted computers and electronic equipment a second life by recycling them. Essex County residents must show proof of residency at the site. For information, call the Essex County Utilities Authority at 973-792-9060.

We look forward to seeing you at these and other events. Working together we will continue Putting Essex County First.

Sincerely,

Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr.
Essex County Executive

Please see other side for upcoming events and activities.

Putting Essex County First

ESSEX COUNTY IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER
We invite you to check out these upcoming Essex County events:

**12th Annual Fall Family Festival**
Saturday, September 24th – 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Essex County Environmental Center,
621B Eagle Rock Ave., Roseland

There will be fun-filled activities for the entire family: hands-on nature games and crafts, star-dome gazing, canoeing, Native American life, apple grove, petting zoo, food, and more. Admission is free but items will be for sale.

**Gardens Aglow**
Friday, October 21st – 6-9 p.m.
(Rain date: Saturday, October 22nd)
Essex County Presbyterian Memorial Iris Gardens,
474 Upper Mountain Avenue, Upper Montclair

View the gardens as dusk as they come to life with artfully carved jack-o-lanterns supplied by local high school art departments. There will be activities, entertainment, and refreshments. Free.

**Strut Your Mutt**
Saturday, October 29th
(Rain date: Sunday, October 30th)
Essex County Brookdale Dog Park,
Bloomfield/Montclair – 9:15 a.m. Registration; 10 a.m. Parade

Essex County South Mountain Dog Park,
Maplewood/Millburn – 1:15 p.m. Registration; 2 p.m. Parade

The Essex County canine costume parades have grown into a favorite Halloween celebration. Bring your pet or just come to see the creative costumes. Prizes will be awarded. Free.

**Safe Howl-O-Ween**
Monday, October 31st – 4-8 p.m.
Essex County Turtle Back Zoo,
560 Northfield Ave., West Orange

Trick or Treat at the Zoo. With candy stations throughout the grounds, everyone is sure to have a "sweet" time. Also, swing by our train for our famous "Not-So-Scary" Train Ride. The Zoo will be closed from 2:30-4 p.m. to prepare for this event. $5 for Zoological Society members; $7 for non-members.

**Artists Open House and Sale**
Saturday, November 5th and Sunday, November 6th
11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Essex County Riker Hill Art Park,
284 Beaufort Ave., Livingston

Visit a variety of different art studios, talk to the artists, purchase art work and stop by the gallery to view a compilation exhibit of fine and decorative art. Admission is free but artwork will be for sale.

Check out these exciting activities!

**Essex County Paddle Boating and Picnic Pavilion**
Cherry Lane at the Orange Reservoir
in Essex County South Mountain Reservation
2 people: $15 per boat/half hour; 4 people: $19 per boat/half hour. To reserve the Picnic Pavilion for an event, please call 973-735-6229. Open daily thru Sept. 5th; after Sept. 5th open Saturdays, Sundays & holidays thru Nov. 27th, weather permitting

**Essex County Treetop Adventure**
Essex County Turtle Back Zoo,
560 Northfield Avenue, West Orange
Junior Course $18; Adult course: $28; Zip Lines only $13; Adult course and zip line package $33. For reservations, call 973-731-5800, Ext. 0. Open daily thru Sept. 5th, after Sept. 5th open Saturdays, Sundays & holidays thru Nov. 27th, weather permitting

**Essex County miniGOLF Safari**
9 Cherry Lane, West Orange
$8 for children, $10 for adults. To schedule a party, please call 862-520-5024. Open daily thru Sept. 5th; after Sept. 5th open Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays & holidays thru Nov. 27th, weather permitting

For a complete list of Essex County events, visit www.essexcountynj.org

Putting Essex County First
Save the Date

The 11th Annual

Essex County Senior Wellness Day

** FOR ESSEX COUNTY SENIORS ONLY **

Free Event!!

Tuesday, September 27, 2016
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Essex County Richard J. Codey Arena
560 Northfield Avenue
West Orange, NJ

For information, call 973-621-4400
For transportation, call 973-618-1280

Health Screenings *** Musical Entertainment *** Dancing *** Free Food Farmers Market (bagged produce) *** Exercise Demonstrations Valuable Information *** Free Admission to Turtle Back Zoo for All Seniors

Putting Essex County First
Essex County is here to serve you!

Essex County Division of Senior Services
Main Number 973-395-8375; Special Transportation Number 973-618-1280

The Essex County Division of Senior Services is the doorway to programs and services that support and assist seniors and adults with physical disabilities. It is the primary center for planning, program development and coordination of services to persons age 60 and over. The Division’s services are targeted to individuals with the greatest social and economic need.

Programs offered by the Division of Senior Services include: Adult Protective Services, Care Management, Certified Home Health Aide, Emergency Heating/Cooling Program, Family Caregivers Support Services, Grandparent Caregivers Counseling, Health Insurance Counseling (SHIP), Home Delivered Meals, Home Friend (in-home chore service), Information & Assistance (ADRC), Legal Services, Money Management (financial counseling), Respite Services, Residential Maintenance (home repairs and ramps), Nutrition Sites, Outreach Services, Jersey Assistance for Community Caregivers (JACC), Senior Citizen Newspaper – Essex Advisor, Telephone Reassurance, and Transportation and Visiting Nurse.

The County has 12 sites open to seniors ages 60 and older that provide individuals with a nutritionally balanced hot meal in a group setting, with supportive social services. There is a suggested $3 donation, but no senior is denied a meal because of the inability to contribute.

Essex County Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs
Main Number 973-268-3500

The Essex County Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs hosts seven senior citizen social clubs and offers Rhythmatics exercise classes in various locations. For information, please call 973-735-6229 or 973-735-6228.

Essex County Office of Housing and Community Development
973-655-0200

The Office of Housing and Community Development offers a Home Improvement Program in which income-eligible senior citizens can apply for deferred loans to make improvements on heating system, roofing, plumbing, electrical and code violation abatements in their homes.

For more information on these and other programs, visit www.essexcountynj.org

Putting Essex County and Our Senior Citizens First!
ESSEX COUNTY’S COLLECTION DAY
Household Hazardous Waste

Free to all Essex County Residents

Saturday, October 1, 2016
8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

125 Fairview Avenue (Next to Old Hospital Center)
Cedar Grove, New Jersey

Essex County residents must provide proof of residency at the site.
For more information call 973-792-9060 or www.ecuanj.com

ITEMS ACCEPTED:
Pesticides and Herbicides
Paint thinners and solvents
Oil based paints and stains
Chemistry sets
Propane tanks (barbecue type)
Pool chemicals
Automotive fluids (antifreeze, motor oil, steering fluids, etc.)
Darkroom/Photographic chemicals
Lithium and NiCad batteries

Fluorescent light bulbs and ballasts
Mercury and products containing mercury
Gasoline/Kerosene
Household cleaning fluids
Car batteries
Fire extinguishers (home)
Driveway sealer
Aerosol spray paints

WE WILL NOT ACCEPT:
Latex paint
Unlabeled or Unidentified Materials
Asbestos
Regulated Medical Waste or Infectious Waste
Commercial or Industrial Waste
Empty Containers

Explosives, Munitions, Ordnance or Reactive Materials
Household batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, 9V)
Smoke Detectors and Carbon Monoxide Alarms

Not for Commercial and Industrial Facilities.

"There are some materials that should be removed from our regular waste stream because of their hazardous nature. This collection day provides our residents a place to properly and safely dispose of contaminants, protecting our precious environment for future generations. I encourage residents of all of our communities to come out and participate."

— Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr.

Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr., Essex County Executive, the Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Essex County Utilities Authority
ESSEX COUNTY’S RECYCLING DAY

Computer & Electronics

Free to all Essex County Residents

Saturday, October 15, 2016

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

125 Fairview Avenue (Next to Old Hospital Center)
Cedar Grove, New Jersey

Essex County residents must provide proof of residency at the site.
For more information call 973-792-9060 or www.ecuanj.com

ITEMS ACCEPTED:

Computers
Monitors
Printers
Fax Machines

Scanners
Telecom Equipment
Speakers
Televsions

Keyboards
Main Frames
VCRs
Stereos

DVD Players
Toasters
Irons
Old Cellular Telephones

WE WILL NOT ACCEPT:

Smoke Detectors,
Carbon Monoxide Alarms

Commercial and Large Quantity Users May Not Drop Off Items.

"Recycling computer hardware and electronic devices helps remove lead and other dangerous chemicals from our waste stream, which is important for us and our children. With your participation, we can do our part to protect the environment."

Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr., Essex County Executive, the Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Essex County Utilities Authority