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This Week in Morris County

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Morris County News

Morris County Stands With Israel

The Morris County Board of Commissioners stood for a moment of silence during their Wednesday meeting to honor the victims of the brutal terrorist attacks launched last weekend in Israel, and they individually offered statements in support of Israel. Additionally, Commissioner Director John

Krickus has attended several vigils held at area synagogues and Jewish Centers since the Oct. 7 attacks.

Commissioners with proclamation

October Proclaimed Disability Employment Awareness Month

Morris County Commissioners proclaimed Oct. 2023 “National Disability Employment Awareness Month” in Morris County. Commissioner Deputy Director Christine Myers spoke of the skills that people with disabilities offer in the job market as she presented a proclamation to Beth Rodgers, Executive Director of Northwest New Jersey Workforce Development Board.

Growing Stage presentation

Grants Support The Growing Stage

Commissioner Director Krickus joined fellow supporters at Netcong's Growing Stage for the “Party at the Palace”. He was presented a Founder’s Circle of Friends Award for the role $1.2 million in grants from the Historic Preservation Trust Fund has played in restoring the historic Palace Theatre. The Commissioner presented a resolution denoting a 2023 grant of $117,085.
— Opening this weekend: The Hardy Boys in The Mystery of the Haunted House
— Check out the 2023-24 season

Morris County Observes Domestic Violence Awareness Month

During this week's work session meeting in Morristown, the Morris County Board of County Commissioners designated Oct. 2023 as "Domestic Violence Awareness

Month" and presented JBWS President and CEO Diane Williams a framed proclamation. Morris County has a deep-rooted partnership with JBWS, established in December 1978. Today, JBWS is a comprehensive nonprofit domestic violence agency offering safety and support to abuse survivors.

Start Up Move Up Presents "Boots to Business Reboot"

This complimentary program is offered to veterans of all eras, service members and their spouses. Participants will receive an overview of business fundamentals, while introducing techniques for evaluating the feasibility of business concepts. This one day, in-person course takes place on Wednesday, Oct. 18 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at the Morris County Economic Development Alliance & Tourism Office, 6 Court Street in Morristown. Space is limited. Register online in advance.

anchor property tax relief

ANCHOR Property Tax Relief Team is Going Door-to-Door

The ANCHOR Property Tax Relief Outreach Team is knocking on doors to assist **renters and homeowners** with applications. The benefit, based on 2020 residency, is worth **$450 to $1,750** based on age and income.

No Shame, No Names, No Blame: Surrender Infants to Safe Haven

New Jersey's Safe Haven Infant Protection Act offers a way to **safely, legally and anonymously** surrender an infant. An unharmed baby less than 30 days old can be

NJ Safe Haven call 877 839 2339

brought to the staff at any hospital, police station, fire station, ambulance, first aid or rescue squad that is staffed 24-hours a day. The New Jersey Department of Children and Families will ensure that the infant is placed with a foster or pre-adoptive home.

Dog and cat

Make a Date: Free Rabies Clinics Set

Pick a date to get your dog or cat vaccinated at one of 17 rabies clinics held Nov. 1-18. Rabies vaccines are **free** and open to all N.J. residents. No paperwork required; just bring in your pet. Learn more about rabies.

Morris County seal with coat of arms

Morris County Public Meetings

Oct. 16
— Flood Mitigation Committee
Oct. 17
— Board of Transportation
Oct. 18
— Improvement Authority
— Human Relations Commission Executive Board
Oct. 19
— Housing Authority
— Planning Board
Oct. 25
— Trail Construction Grant – Summary Book Reviews
— County Commissioners Work Session
— County Commissioners Public Meeting

Register to Vote by Oct. 21

Register to vote by Oct. 21 to cast a ballot in the general election on Nov. 7. Registered voters who wish to vote by mail must request a ballot by Oct. 31.
— For more information on elections and

Register to Vote

voting, visit the Morris County Clerk's elections website.

Free Lead Testing and Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off Set

The final household hazardous waste drop off event for the year will be **Oct. 21** at Pequannock Valley Park in Pompton Plains. Residents only. ID required. Read the rules. Make an appointment instead.
— Common consumer items may contain lead, such as **toys, spices, jewelry, mugs, dishes, clothing, counterfeit makeup, mobile devices** and certain imported candies**.** Bring items for **free testing on Oct. 28** at Morris County Library, conducted by the county's Division of Public Health and Municipal Utilities Authority.

NJDEP Webinar to Cover State's Climate Pollution Reduction Plan

Residents, municipal and county officials, and community organizations are invited to take part in the NJDEP Climate Pollution Reduction Grant kickoff workshop on **Oct. 24** to discuss the state's workplan and priorities, anticipated process and future engagement opportunities related to a $3 million, phase-one grant through the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) program.
— Read the workplan.
— NJDEP Climate Pollution Grant
— View the comprehensive list of NJDEP funding and financing opportunities.

Travel with NJ Transit's BOGO Deal

Through Oct. 31, NJ TRANSIT is offering Buy One, Get One Free savings for roundtrip travel to anywhere they serve. Discounts to Philadelphia and Atlantic City are also available. Check out the offers and plan your trip at www.njtransit.com/fall.

Fall Leaves and High Tea Saturday

— Turning Leaves Tour and Tea, Morristown, 10/15
— Historic train rides: Whippany Railway Museum, 10/15
— Thomas Edison Film Fest winners, Chester, 10/19
— Community Engagement Workshop for the first county-wide survey of African American historic sites, 10/21 and 11/4

Morris County library

Library Events Set for October

All events located at Morris County Library unless otherwise noted.
Oct. 16: Introduction to Artificial Intelligence, Boonton-Holmes Public Library, first of three stand-alone talks, hybrid. Register.
Oct. 17: Natural Support for Breast Cancer, Parsippany library, plant foods, nutrients.
Oct. 19: N.J. Motor Vehicle Commission's mobile unit does Real IDs and registrations.
10/17: Sonambients: The Sound Sculpture of Harry Bertoia
10/21: The Morristown Ghost Hoax
10/26: Kids' Halloween Parade
10/26: Brian Richards Halloween Magic and Comedy Show. Register to attend.

senior citizens group

Seniors: Get Food, Transportation and Insurance Assistance

Morris County Human Services Department of Aging, Disabilities & Community Programming offers:
— **Apply** for Medicaid or SNAP (food stamps) and get prescription assistance.
— **Transportation:** Dial-a-Ride, shuttle service and MAPS (Morris Paratransit)
— **Food:** Farmers' Market vouchers, home delivered meals and congregate dining.
— **Care Management** for elderly, disabled, frail people at-risk of early institutionalization.
— **Project Lifesaver** can locate people who are prone to wander due to medical issues.
— FEMA Disaster Preparedness Guide for Older Adults
— Adult Protective Services investigates allegations of abuse, neglect, and exploitation of vulnerable adults.

Morris County Human Services Delivers Info and Assistance

Connect with Navigating Hope, the Morris County Human Services office on wheels, for public **assistance**, **mental** health and **addiction** services, job **training**, **prevention** services for **youth**, **veterans** support, disability services and **transportation.**
— Free virtual mental health and wellness teletherapy for college students
— Morris County's Hope One is a mobile resource for addiction and mental health.
— **Dial or text 988** on your phone to connect to the suicide and crisis line.
— Work for Morris County Human Services
— Register for Alert Morris notifications
— HousingHelpNJ sorts out issues with renters, landlords, homeowners
— First-time homebuyers down-payment assistance program

County Admin and Records building

Work With Us!

Check out the job openings at the County of Morris. Ongoing applications are accepted for many positions in Human Services, Buildings and Grounds, Engineering, Elections and Shade Tree divisions, among others.
— Grant and Program Analyst - Finance
— EMT/Paramedic, per diem
— New Jersey State Office of Innovation

In Case You Missed It:

— Morristown College Promise program to help aspiring students
— N.J. special needs registry for disasters
— EPEAT-registered electronics are easy to recycle by design
— Secure trash to prevent encounters with black bears
— Morris County COVID-19 resources
— This Week in Morris County Newsletter archive
— Four towns make the "Sweetest Small Towns in New Jersey" list
— Leaf peep at Hacklebarney State Park in Long Valley and Mountain Lakes

Best Bets for Local Activities

Morris Tourism: Your Go-To Source

Visit Morris Tourism's events listings to see a day-by-day guide to concerts, festivals, historic events and art shows in the area. Read the blog or check ongoing attractions.
— Morristown's MPAC
— Morris County historical orgs, museums
— Search 'Skylands' on VisitNJ.org
Coming up:
— Bottle Hill Day, Madison, 10/21
— Free fishing day, 10/21

Ralston Cider Mill apple pressing

Ralston Cider Mill to Press Apples

Ralston Cider Mill's annual apple pressing is set for Oct. 14 in Mendham. Experience the last authentic vestige of the once thriving cider and applejack industry in N.J. Discover the hidden still, the massive stone walls and heavy timber structure built in 1848. See how water power is transferred by shafts, pulleys and belts to drive conveyors, the chopper and large, powerful presses.
— Remembering Ray Nadaskay at the Ralston Cider Mill

Celebrate Tradition and Harvest at Morris Parks

The Grand Harvest Wine Festival, will be Oct. 14-15 at Fosterfields. In addition to New Jersey wines, enjoy live bands and gourmet culinary offerings.
Visit the Morris Parks website for more information on special events:
— Fall Farm Fun at Fosterfields weekends thru 10/29

— Scarecrows in the Garden weekends thru 10/28
— Can if You Can, Sundays
— Little Farm Friends, Fridays

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