

May 2025

# Carteret Press

## Happy Memorial Day, Carteret!

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of Carteret's Annual  
Memorial Day Services  
on page 7



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*Carteret Business Partnership is a nonprofit corporation that promotes economic development, business retention and recruitment through a variety of programs and incentives.*

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Dear Friends,

Several exciting new businesses recently have called Carteret home and even more are coming soon. We take a look at them all on pages 16 & 17.

Also in this issue:

- A preview of Memorial Day Services
- A look at how the local school district's Odyssey of the Mind STEAM team, which is bound for another world finals and needs to raise \$15,000 to get there
  - A CPAC Spotlight previewing the third annual Central Jersey Marquee Awards, which will celebrate and honor the talent of high school musicals on May 19 at Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center
  - An Events Calendar
  - A Business Spotlight on Roosevelt Bagel Factory, which fills a long-standing need in Carteret and recently celebrated a grand opening with a ribbon-cutting ceremony
  - A preview of PAS-1 Filing Assistance from the 19th District legislators on May 28 at the Community Center
  - A photo gallery of port training by the Carteret Fire Department's Marine Unit
  - Notices about our free Recycling Coach app, the county's Home Hazardous

Waste dropoff schedule, opportunities to train and volunteer with the Borough's Office of Emergency Management, upcoming local and county residential paper shreds, the Municipal Marina, Carteret Soccer Academy, the state's senior property tax relief program, recycling do's & don'ts, food waste tips, the county's Youth Conservation Corps, the County's Senior Fall Prevention Program, and a state program for affordable solar panels.

A reminder to promote your business or event to all Carteret residents and businesses by advertising in Carteret Press or at least submitting to the Events Calendar. Each issue is delivered to every home and business. For more about advertising and/or a calendar listing, contact the Public Information Office at 732-541-3835 or [makinb@carteret.net](mailto:makinb@carteret.net).

Sincerely,

Mayor Daniel J. Reiman

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**May** | Spring Season  
Open Enrollment

**June  
2-27** | Early Summer  
\$125



**July 7  
Aug 14** | Summer  
Program

**June  
12-13** | Travel  
Tryouts



For more details

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# Memorial Day BBQ



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Memorial Day Services  
Sunday, May 25th, 2025

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Mayor Daniel J. Reiman,  
the Borough Council, & the Carteret Veterans Alliance  
invite you to attend the 2025

CARTERET

MEMORIAL ★ DAY ★ SERVICES



**SUNDAY, MAY 25th, 2025**

8:00 a.m.: Casting of the memorial wreaths, flag raising, & waterfront service at Carteret Waterfront Park

12:00 noon: Veterans Alliance ceremonies at the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial at Carteret Park

PARADE TO FOLLOW  
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# ***Carteret Odyssey of the Mind Team Wins State Championship, Bound for World Finals***



Two of the Carteret School District's Odyssey of the Mind teams are head to the STEAM competition's world finals May 21 to 24 at the University of Michigan in Lansing. Pictured at left is the Problem 2 Team, which won the Odyssey of the Mind State Championship on April 5. Pictured at right is the Problem 4 Team, which won the prestigious Ranatra Fusca Award for exceptional creativity at the state finals. The teams need community support to help them get to the World Finals.

Once again, the Borough School District's state champion Odyssey of the Mind team is going to the global STEAM tournament's 2025 World Finals, which, this year, are in Lansing, MI.

The team finished first at the New Jersey Odyssey of the Mind State Finals on April 5 at JP Stevens High School in Edison. But to get to Michigan, the team needs to raise a total of \$15,000 with \$xxxx still to go.

"Supporting Carteret's youth is a great priority for my administration," Mayor Daniel J. Reiman said. "I hope the the residents and businesses of Carteret can donate to help our school district's Odyssey of the Mind team continue their quest for greatness."

Odyssey of the Mind is an international creative problem-solving competition that challenges students to develop innovative solutions to open-ended problems. Two Carteret teams earned their spot at World Finals after months of preparation and a stellar performance at the state level.

Carteret's Problem 2 Team emerged as New Jersey State Champions, earning first place in their problem and division. Their challenge involved building a mechanical animal that performed three unique tricks to cheer up a character, then mysteriously went missing — only to be found in a highly unusual location. Their solution wowed judges with live musical elements, a second mechanical toy, and dazzling costumes crafted from unconventional materials, Barrows said.

The Problem 4 Team also earned a place at Worlds, receiving the prestigious Ranatra Fusca Award for exceptional creativity — a rare and highly coveted honor in the OOTM community. Their task was to engineer a balsa wood structure no taller than 8 inches and under 15 grams in weight. During

their performance, which featured a hilariously imaginative skit about an animal rescue character and an eccentric veterinarian, their structure held an incredible 535 pounds — a personal best for the team. Judges praised the team's set design, costume craftsmanship, and the originality of their storyline, securing their place at the international competition.

Local STEAM teams have appeared in the competition's World Finals many times before. Seniors Michelle Hernandez and Sukhveen Gill, junior Daiancy Aquino, and sophomore Tejveer Gill placed third in the world at the 2024 World Finals in Iowa, triumphing over elite teams from Poland, Hong Kong, and China.

Among the organizations that donated to the Odyssey of the Mind teams this year is Carteret Policeman's Benevolent Association Local 47 with \$500. On April 17, members of the department visited the team to present the donation in person, learn more about the Odyssey of the Mind program, and tour the team's intricate props and imaginative costumes.

"We're so thankful for the support from our local police department," said Coach Sheila O'Hare Barrows, a Carteret Junior High School science teacher. The students were thrilled to share their project and ideas, and this donation brings us one step closer to making the trip possible."

OOTM 2025 World Finals will take place May 21 to 24 at Michigan State University, bringing together the top teams from across the country and around the globe.

For more information or to support the team's journey, contact Barrows at Carteret Junior High School at 732-541-8960 or at [carteretschools.schoolcashionline.com/Fee/Details/1071/481/False/True](mailto:carteretschools.schoolcashionline.com/Fee/Details/1071/481/False/True).

# HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP-OFF DAYS — 2025 SCHEDULE

**This event is offered free of charge and is for County residents only.**

**TIMES: 8 am - 2 pm (Rain or Shine)**

DATE	LOCATION	TOWN	ADDRESS	ZIP
Sun, March 16	Middlesex College	Edison	2600 Woodbridge Avenue	08837
Sat, May 17	Middlesex County Public Works	North Brunswick	97 Apple Orchard Lane	08902
Sun, June 22	Old Bridge Recycling Center	Old Bridge	1 Old Bridge Plaza	08857
Sat, Sept 20	Middlesex County Public Works	Sayreville	750 Jernee Mill Road	08872
Sun, Nov 16	Middlesex College	Edison	2600 Woodbridge Avenue	08837

## WHAT TO BRING:

Adhesives	Drain Cleaners	Kerosene	Pesticides/Herbicides
Aerosol Cans	Fire Extinguishers	Lighter Fluid	Photographic Chemicals
Antifreeze	Flares (Road Only)	Mercury	Pool Chemicals
Brake Fluid	Fluorescent Bulbs	Motor Oil/Filters	Propane Tanks
Car Batteries	Gasoline	Paints (Latex/Oil)	Stains/Varnishes
Cleaners	Gas/Oil Mix	Paint Thinner	Thermometers/Thermostats

Rechargeable & Button Cell Batteries (individually bag each battery or tape each terminal end prior to transport)

Alkaline batteries can be disposed of in regular trash.

**Asbestos containing materials: call to pre-register, must be double bagged.**

## WHAT NOT TO BRING:

Appliances	Electronics	Explosives/Munitions	Smoke Detectors
Furniture	Empty Containers	Infectious/Medical Waste	Tires

## RESIDENTIAL MATERIAL AND RESIDENTIAL LICENSE PLATES ONLY | NO COMMERCIAL VEHICLES!

No commercial or industrial waste. No containers over 10 gallons.

**Residents must stay in their vehicles at all times. Please have your materials in your trunk, cargo area or truck bed, easily accessible to our staff, who will remove it from your vehicle.**



Please help us feed Middlesex County residents in need: Bring a non-perishable food item when you come to one of our household hazardous waste events. Donated items will be delivered to REPLENISH, the Middlesex County foodbank.

**QUESTIONS?** Call **732-745-4170** or E-mail **solidwaste@co.middlesex.nj.us**

This service is sponsored by the Middlesex County Board of County Commissioners with the host location.





# Mayor Daniel J. Reiman & Borough Council 2025 Residential Paper Shred Program



**Date:** Saturday, June 14th

**Time:** 10 am - 12 pm (or until shredding truck is filled, whichever occurs first)  
Event held rain or shine

**Location:** Parking lot between Civic Center Park & Carteret Public Library, 100 Cooke Avenue

For more info on this & other recycling & Clean Communities programs, please contact:  
**732-541-3835**  
info@carteret.net

Sponsored by the Borough of Carteret and funded by the Board of County Commissioners

**This is a free paper shred program for Borough residents.**

**Recycle your old confidential files safely and securely!**

- Limit of 5 boxes or 100 pounds per car.
- Paper must be in a manageable container. No plastic bags.
- No need to remove paper clips, staples or paperboard binders.
- Do Not Bring: Newspapers, magazines, hardcover books, junk mail, photos, x-rays, CDs, shredded paper or garbage.
- Loads containing unacceptable items may be rejected.
- Residential Paper Only. **No Businesses Allowed.**

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MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NJ

## RESIDENTIAL 2025 PAPER SHREDDING

Recycle your old confidential files safely and securely!

**Rain or shine | 9 am - 12 pm**

(or until the shredding truck is filled)

County residents only - No businesses

DATE	TOWN	LOCATION	ADDRESS	ZIP
Sunday, March 23	Old Bridge	Recycling Center	1 Old Bridge Plaza	08857
Friday, April 11	Monroe	Veterans Park	Avenue K	08831
Saturday, April 26	Sayreville	Fort Grumpy	3750 Bordentown Avenue	08872
Saturday, May 3	North Brunswick	Babbage Park	Laurel Place	08902
Friday, May 16	Piscataway	Health Services Parking Lot	1 Ericsson Drive (off Hoes Lane)	08854
Sunday, June 1	Edison	Papaanni Park	100 Municipal Boulevard	08817
Saturday, June 7	Spotswood	High School Parking Lot	105 Summerhill Road	08884
Sunday, September 7	South Brunswick	Beech Woods Park	137 Beekman Road	08852
Sunday, September 28	Woodbridge	Department of Public Works	225 Smith Street	08832
Friday, October 10	Highland Park	Donaldson Park	South Second Avenue	08904
Saturday, October 18	Cranbury	Cranbury School	23 North Main Street	08512
Friday, November 7	Monroe	Thompson Park	Manalapan Lake Lot	08831

**Maximum of 5 file boxes or 100 pounds per car.**

Loads containing unacceptable items may be rejected. Must be in manageable containers: no plastic bags. **NO BUSINESSES, NO BATTERIES, NO METAL**

**DO NOT BRING:**

Newspapers, magazines, hardcover books, junk mail, photographs, X-rays, CDs, shredded paper or garbage.

NOTE: No need to remove paper clips or staples.

For more information on this and other programs, please contact:

Middlesex County Solid Waste Management

**732-745-4170**

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This free service is sponsored by the Middlesex County Board of County Commissioners in conjunction with the host town.





## DO

put in recycling bin

- **Plastic**  
bottles, jars, jugs, tubs
- **Mixed Paper**  
paper, newspaper, magazines,  
soft cover books, cereal boxes
- **Cardboard**  
corrugated boxes
- **Cans**  
aluminum and steel (tin) cans
- **Glass**  
Bottles & Jars  
all sizes, shapes and colors



## DON'T

put in recycling bin

- **Plastic**  
bags, film, wrappers, cups, utensils
- **Styrofoam**
- **Greasy or food  
contaminated items**
- **Tanglers**  
i.e: garden hoses, electric cords
- **Syringes, batteries  
and bulbs**
- **Pots, pans, and  
small appliances**
- **Dishware, glass,  
and mirrors**



Thank you for recycling right!  
[MiddlesexCountyNJ.gov/recycle](http://MiddlesexCountyNJ.gov/recycle)  
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# FOOD WASTE

# REDUCTION TIPS

**Buy only what you expect to use and prepare perishable foods first**

**Donate nutritious, safe and untouched food to food banks to help those in need**

**Use up old ingredients and leftovers**

**Compost food scraps rather than tossing in the trash**

**Store fruits and vegetables for maximum freshness**

If food waste was a country, it would be the **3rd largest greenhouse gas emitting country in the world!**

(United Nations 2011 Report)



**Food scraps represent 20-25% of the waste that is disposed as trash!**

LEARN MORE AT [RECYCLE.NJ.GOV](http://RECYCLE.NJ.GOV)  
AND [MIDDLESEXCOUNTYNJ.GOV/GETFOODSMART](http://MIDDLESEXCOUNTYNJ.GOV/GETFOODSMART)



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## *Did You Know?*

*Falls are the leading cause of injuries and death among older adults...  
And most of them are PREVENTABLE!*

### *What is it?*

An assessment, conducted by Middlesex County Empowering Seniors Fall Prevention Network volunteers, to identify fall risks and improve safety in and around your home. This free home safety assessment is for adults 60 and older and for adults with disabilities age 18 and older.

### *What can you expect?*

- Based upon your availability, two volunteers will be scheduled to visit your home for approximately 30 minutes.
- With you, and/or a family member, they will inspect each room in your home, including the entrance and exits, to identify fall risks and make recommendations to improve safety.

*For more information or to schedule a **Home Safety Check**,  
please contact: **732.418.8091***

**[lisa.cheng@rwjbh.org](mailto:lisa.cheng@rwjbh.org)**

# Carteret New & For

***A look at new businesses that recently o***



**Apples Mexican Italian Restaurant & Bar within Hotel Executive Suites in West Carteret is a delectable blend of Mexican and Italian cuisine.**

**T**he following new businesses recently opened in Carteret:

**Apples Mexican Italian Restaurant & Bar, Hotel Executive Suites, 30 Minue St., 732-366-2121, [restaurantonlinefoodordering.com/applesrestaurantbaronlineordering](http://restaurantonlinefoodordering.com/applesrestaurantbaronlineordering)**

Fusion food makes everything more delicious, and the new Apples Mexican Italian Restaurant & Bar within Hotel Executive Suites in West Carteret is a perfect example. Open seven days a week from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., Apples' delectable blend of Mexican and Italian cuisine is served within a cozy, relaxing atmosphere. Friendly bartenders craft custom drinks on request. Whether grabbing lunch, enjoying dinner with friends and/or family or planning your next event, Apples is the place to be. Catering is available.

**YunExpress, 400 Salt Meadow Road, [yunexpress.com/](http://yunexpress.com/)**

YunExpress, a global third-party logistics provider, recently signed a 146,000-square-foot long-term lease at Crow Holdings at Carteret. The commitment at 400 Salt Meadow Road marks a regional expansion for YunExpress, which will



**YunExpress, a global third-party logistics provider, recently signed a 146,000-square-foot long-term lease at Crow Holdings at Carteret at 400 Salt Meadow Road.**

become the third occupant at Crow Holdings Development's 1.2 million-square-foot industrial campus just off the Carteret exit of NJ Turnpike.

Founded in 2014, YunExpress ranks among the top third-party logistics companies in China, according to its website. The organization, which already maintains a New Jersey presence in the Exit 8A submarket, is emerging as a leading provider in cross-border B2C business lines for e-commerce sellers. It also offers Fulfillment by Amazon transfer, postal parcel and international express services.

"Crow Holdings at Carteret's unparalleled location and world-class, ready-for-occupancy distribution space hit all the marks for YunExpress," said Clark Machemer, senior managing director, Crow Holdings Development. "We are pleased to welcome another tenant to this thoughtfully designed and executed campus, which is a great source of pride for both our team and the Borough of Carteret."

YunExpress joins Weida Freight System, Inc. (WFS) and DSV Global Transport and Logistics at Crow Holdings at Carteret. Cushman & Wakefield is marketing the campus' one remaining full-building opportunity of 480,000 square feet at 500 Salt Meadow Road.



# Upcoming Businesses

**Opened in or are coming soon to Carteret**



Coming soon to Carteret is JPM Display Fixture, whose work includes the Baldachino for St. Michael's Church, pictured, in New York City.

The following businesses are opening soon in Carteret:

**Brunswick Burger House, 215 Roosevelt Ave., [brunswickburgerhouse.com/](http://brunswickburgerhouse.com/)**

Filling the void left by the closing of the iconic Burger Express is the expected mid-May launch of a new franchise, Brunswick Burger House, which will offer always fresh, never frozen burgers, chicken sandwiches and chicken tenders. The menu is similar to Burger Express but with an elevated quality, said co-owner Vedant Bhatt, who also co-owns 200 franchise restaurant locations. They include Popeyes, Dunkin' Donuts, Pizza Huts, Taco Bells and Checkers. In the summer for a limited time, Brunswick House also will offer 100-percent beef hot dogs. If demand warrants, they will remain on the menu, Bhatt said.

**Grab 'N Go Convenience Store, 1514 Roosevelt Avenue**

Taking the spot where Downtown Deli used to be in West Carteret, Grab 'N Go Convenience Store expects to open by June 1 as soon as renovations are complete. Owner Preyash Patel said he was happy to see the revitalization of Carteret and wanted to be a part of it. Grab 'N Go will offer a coffee counter, buttered rolls, snacks, sodas, lottery tickets and much more.



Filling the void left by the closing of Burger Express, Brunswick Burger House is coming soon to the same location at 215 Roosevelt Ave.

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**Happy Fusion, 795 Roosevelt Ave., 917-590-0800**

Mongolian BBQ, sushi, all-you-can-eat buffet and other Asian delights will be among the delicious offerings at this eagerly anticipated restaurant at Carteret Shopping Center. The Mongolian BBQ puts on quite a show cooked right among diners in a lively group hibachi-like setting.



# the Botanic

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**Find the 7 words hidden, unscramble them and send the message to [botanic@livingresi.com](mailto:botanic@livingresi.com) to win!**

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# *The Municipal Marina*

## at CARTERET WATERFRONT PARK

The Borough of Carteret, New Jersey, is now offering registration for slips at the Carteret Municipal Marina, which just opened this past spring. The Marina, located along the Arthur Kill River at Carteret's beautiful Waterfront Park, 200 Middlesex Avenue, features 185 slips, 38,000 square feet of floating docks, gas and diesel fueling stations, sanitary pump out, deepwater port, and a 17-foot draft.

Slips are offered at competitive pricing - the lowest along the channel in the region. Carteret residents are offered even lower rates. Slip contracts and registration are available online for seasonal, annual, or short-term rentals at [Carteret.net/Marina](http://Carteret.net/Marina).



- Nestled along the Arthur Kill, adjacent to Staten Island with immediate access to the Raritan Bay, Upper & Lower Bays, and Sandy Hook, protected in a man-made cove
- Less than 20 miles from Staten Island marinas, under 10 miles from the Raritan Bay
- Less than 30 miles from Manhattan, Long Island, and key points along the Jersey Shore
- Private restrooms & parking for slip holders
- Steel piles, concrete floating docks, and state of the art marina design for boat safety
- Complementary dock boxes
- Electric available
- Year-round wet storage
- Minutes from Carteret's Arts and Dining District

**CALL FOR SLIP RENTALS & ADDITIONAL AMENITIES**

**732-541-3800, ext. 3103**

**[Carteret.net/Marina](http://Carteret.net/Marina)**



## Upcoming Performances and Events

### **May 12**

Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre - "Midnight at the Masquerade" - The Underground

### **May 15**

Carteret High School Choirs Cabaret Night at The Underground

### **May 16**

Eaglemania: The World's Greatest Eagles Tribute

### **May 17**

MMA Pro League: Fight Night

### **May 18**

Jon Anderson (Yes) & The Band Geeks

### **May 19**

Third Annual Central Jersey Marquee Awards

### **June 6**

Marcus Miller

### **June 13**

NJ 101.5 Presents: The Rascals

### **June 14**

Heart & Soul: A Love Story. A film directed by Kenny Vance. With Q&A and performances by Kenny Vance.

### **June 20**

Laughs on the Rooftop - starring Imagine

### **June 27**

Zebra, Angel, and Starz: Spirit of '75 Tour

### **July 10**

Terry Fator: On the Road Again

### **July 25**

Summer Brew Fest - Craft Beer Festival

### **August 7**

Doo Wop Summer - Jimmy Gallagher, Cleveland Still's Dubs, LaLa Brooks, plus Classic Sounds

### **August 14**

Starship - Featuring Mickey Thomas

### **August 15**

Toast - The Ultimate Bread Experience

### **August 21**

Rich Francese Italian Comedy Night featuring Rich Francese, Eric Tartaglione, Frank Santorelli, and Special Guest Fred Rubino

### **September 12**

The Nelsons

### **September 13**

10CC - The Ultimate, Ultimate Greatest Hits Tour

### **September 27**

Freestyle Takeover 2

### **October 3**

Cinderella's Tom Keifer and LA Guns

### **October 5**

Laurie Berkner - The Greatest Hits Solo Tour

### **October 18**

The Magic of Rob Lake

## FOR TICKETS AND MORE SHOWS:



Online 24/7

visit [carteretpac.com](http://carteretpac.com)

Box Office: (877) 849-2722

Box Office Window: Cooke Avenue

Monday-Friday: 10am to 4pm

excluding holidays

# ***CPAC Spotlight: Third Annual Central Jersey Marquee Awards***

The annual Central Jersey Marquee Awards return May 19 to Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center to honor and showcase regional high school musical theater talent.

The program will be hosted by Broadway performer Justin Matthew Sargent (“Spiderman: Turn Off the Dark,” “Rock of Ages,” “Bonnie and Clyde”).

“In Carteret, we have built a gorgeous state-of-the-art venue,” Mayor Daniel J. Reiman said. “With the Central Jersey Marquee Awards, we are nurturing the talent that may perform there in the future, as well as the arts appreciators who will be a part of future audiences.”

Princeton High School’s production of “Groundhog Day: The Musical” received the most nominations with 14 for Overall Production, Lead Actress (Serafina Joseph as Rita Hansen), Supporting Actor (Konrad Hedges as Ned Ryerson), Chorus, Music Direction, Student Orchestra, Production Number (“Punxsutawney Phil”), Lighting, Scenery, Costumes, three Student Dedication and Excellence Awards, and Direction (Julianna Krawiecki). Ridge High School in the Basking Ridge section of Bernards and The Pingry School in the Martinsville section of Bridgewater also fared well, respectively with 13 and 12 nominations.

For its production of “The Addams Family,” Carteret High School garnered four Marquee nominations and seven honorable mentions. Adil Khan, who played Gomez Addams in “The Addams Family,” is nominated for Best Lead Actor. Peter Cavanaugh and Indigo Shea are nominated for Best Lighting. Juanita Hemingway is nominated for Best Hair and Makeup. Choreographer Alexis Finley is nominated for a Student Dedication and Excellence Award.

The other nominees for Best Overall Production are:

- Immaculata High School, Somerville, “Once”
- Manville High School, “All Shook Up”
- The Pingry School, “Pippin”
- Ridge High School, “Rodgers and Hammerstein’s Cinderella”
- Rutgers Preparatory School, Franklin Township, “Shrek: The Musical”
- Watchung Hills Regional High School, Warren Township, “Mean Girls High School Version.”

All of the nominees can be found at [carteretpac.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/2025-Central-Jersey-Marquee-Awards-Nominations-and-Honorable-Mentions.pdf](http://carteretpac.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/2025-Central-Jersey-Marquee-Awards-Nominations-and-Honorable-Mentions.pdf).



**Justin Matthew Sargent, star of Broadway’s “Spiderman: Turn Off the Dark” and “Rock of Ages,” will host the Third Annual Central Jersey Marquee Awards honoring and showcasing regional high school musical theater talent on May 19 to Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center.**

Sargent has appeared on Broadway as Peter Parker in “Spiderman: Turn Off the Dark” and Drew in “Rock of Ages.” He currently is on tour playing King George III in “Hamilton.” He has performed alongside music legends, such as John Legend, Alice Cooper, David Byrne, REO Speedwagon, and Air Supply. His television credits include “Jesus Christ Superstar: Live” and “Law & Order: SVU,” both NBC, and “Royal Pains” and “Mr. Robot,” both USA Network.

During the Marquee Awards, he is expected to sing Journey’s “Don’t Stop Believin’” from “Rock of Ages” and “You’ll Be Back” from Hamilton.”

# Job Description

## JOB TITLE

Summer 2025 Youth Conservation Corps Crew Member

## OBJECTIVE

To protect and preserve the lands and natural areas acquired by the Middlesex County Open Space and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund.

## PLACE OF WORK

Work will take place at several Middlesex County Open Space parcels in Old Bridge, East Brunswick, South Brunswick, and Monroe Townships, as well as other County open space as needed.

## HOURS NEEDED

June 23 – August 22, 2025; 9:00AM – 4:00PM

## QUALIFICATIONS

- Applicants must be at least 16 years of age on start date
- Strong, enthusiastic, self-motivated, willing to work and learn as a part of a team
- Willing to get dirty and work outdoors in various weather conditions
- Ability to walk several miles and stand for extended periods of time
- Ability to kneel and lift materials greater than 25 lbs
- Ability to use a variety of hand tools
- Ability to read, understand and follow written instructions and maps.
- **ORIENTATION AND TRAINING:** Introduction to staff, instruction on daily projects; familiarization with trail tools and techniques; familiarization to open space property; instruction on map and survey reading; tool safety training.

## DUTIES:

- Litter clean-up, recycling, brush removal
- Trail marking, building and maintenance
- Mapping/survey of existing trail system
- Plantings and reforestation management projects
- Wildlife habitat enhancement projects
- Invasive species management and removal

## RESPONSIBLE TO

Conservation Corps Coordinator & Conservation Corps Crew Leader

## COMPENSATION

\$15.49/hour

## TO APPLY:

Send cover letter and resume to  
Julia.Derosso@co.middlesex.nj.us

## OR

Middlesex County Office  
of Parks and Recreation

ATTN: Julia DeRosso

1030 River Road  
Piscataway, NJ 08854

## APPLICATION DEADLINE:

May 9, 2025

For more information contact  
Julia DeRosso at 732-745-8147 or  
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# CARTERET EVENTS CALENDAR

**Submit items to Carteret Events Calendar by the 1st of each month to [making@carteret.net](mailto:making@carteret.net).  
For more info call 732-541-3835.**

## MAY

**8**  
**Thursday Story Time with Ann**, 10 a.m., Carteret Public Library (also May 22 & 29)  
**Manhattan Comedy Nights at the Underground with Sandy Marks, Dan Naturman, Chris Roach, Jackie Fabulous & Sonya Vai**, 7 p.m., The Underground at Carteret PAC

**9**  
**Jones Martial Arts**, 3:30 p.m., Carteret Public Library (also May 16, 23 & 30)

**10**  
**Aakash Gupta**, 7 p.m., Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center

**12**  
**Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre: "Midnight at the Masquerade,"** 7 p.m., The Underground at Carteret PAC

**13**  
**Peregrine Falcon Presentation**, 4 p.m., Carteret Public Library

**15**  
**Carteret High School Choirs Cabaret Night**,

**16**  
**Eaglemania**, 8 p.m., Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center

**Middlesex County Parks Spring Volunteer Event: Spring Spruce Up**, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., Thompson Park, Monroe Township (registration required at 732-745-8149 or [thomas.vancak@co.middlesex.nj.us](mailto:thomas.vancak@co.middlesex.nj.us))

**17**  
**MMA Pro League Fight Night**, 6 p.m., Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center

**18**  
**Jon Anderson and the Band Geeks**, 7:30 p.m., Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center

**19**  
**Third Annual Central Jersey Marquee Awards**, 7 p.m., Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center

**25**  
**Memorial Day Services**: 8 a.m., Flag Raising and Memorial Wreaths, Waterfront Park; noon, Memorial Service Presented by Carteret Veterans Alliance, Soldiers and Sailors Monument, Carteret Park followed by Memorial Day Parade on Washington Avenue.



### COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT: CARTERET COMMUNITY CHOIR Blazing Star Cultural Arts Center

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#### When & Where?

- Rehearsals: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm on the second, third, fourth, and fifth (long month) Wednesdays.

- Location: Blazing Star Cultural Arts Center, 63 Carteret Avenue, Carteret, N.J. 07008

If you're interested or have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out to Marianne Wilson at [mwcochorus@gmail.com](mailto:mwcochorus@gmail.com). We look forward to welcoming new voices into our choir!



**28**  
**PAS-1 Filing Assistance with State Sen. Joseph Vitale, Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin & Assemblywoman Yvonne Lopez**, 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Thomas Deverin Community Center (bring valid driver's license, state identification card and/or residency card/passport; 2023 & 2024 income information, and homeowner property tax information or mailed PAS-1 application/blue booklet (info: 732-855-7441, 732-638-5057))

**31**  
**Office of Emergency Management Information Session**, 10-11 a.m., Thomas Deverin Community Center (info: [OEMinfo@carteret.net](mailto:OEMinfo@carteret.net))

## JUNE

**1**  
**Middlesex County Paper Shred**, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., Papianni Park, 100 Municipal Blvd., Edison (for Middlesex County residents only)

**6**  
**Marcus Miller**, 8 p.m., Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center

**12**  
**Carteret Soccer Academy Fall Travel Tryouts**, 5:45 p.m., Medwick Park (for players born 2016-18; also June 13 for players born 2012-15)

**13**  
**NJ 101.5 Presents The Rascals**, 8 p.m., Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center

**14**  
**Carteret Paper Shred Sponsored by Middlesex County**, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Carteret Public Library Parking Lot (for residents only)

**"Heart & Soul: A Love Story," a doo wop documentary directed by Kenny Vance**, 7 p.m., Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center

**20**  
**Laughs on the Rooftop with Imagine, Big Momma, Peaches Rodriguez, Vishnu, David Raheem, and vocalist Aerion Angel**, 8 p.m., The Rooftop at Carteret PAC

**27**  
**Spirit of '75 Tour with Zebra, Angel and Starz**, 7 p.m., Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center. **23**

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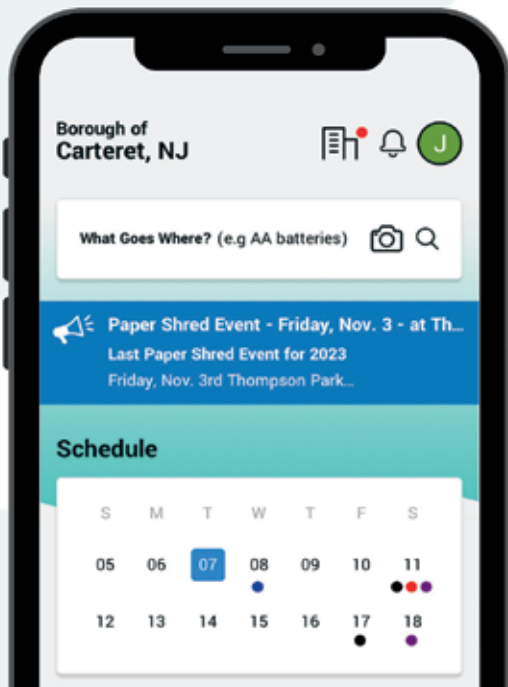
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# ***Business Spotlight: Roosevelt Bagel Factory***

Surrounded by tables filled with free promotional T-shirts, balloons adorning a façade, a DJ blasting dance music down Roosevelt Avenue, a Bagel Man mascot, and a hungry crowd offered free food, Mayor Daniel J. Reiman recently helped celebrate the grand opening of Roosevelt Bagel Factory with a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

The long-awaited bagel shop is more than just a local breakfast and lunch location, Mayor Reiman said.

“It’s a family business, a father-and-son operation that reflects culture, hard work and pride, and features fresh bagels, loaded breakfast sandwiches, and much more,” the Mayor said. “Co-owner Charlie Junior is leading a true father-and-son operation here in Carteret with more than a decade of experience in the bagel and deli business. Many of the residents and workers in Carteret have been longing for a great bagel shop and deli and now have one in the Roosevelt Bagel Factory, adding immensely to our local business community.”

Junior previously owned and operated Charlie’s Bagel & Deli, a successful shop in Woodbridge, before expanding his vision and opening the Roosevelt Bagel Factory.

He said he saw there was a real need for a modern bagel and deli spot in Carteret.

“People were always traveling out of town to my Woodbridge location just to get a good bagel,” Junior said. “It definitely motivated me to open Roosevelt Bagel Factory and bring something fresh and new to the community. Carteret is a growing town with great people, and I saw the potential right away. I wanted to be part of something that was growing and contribute to a community that could truly benefit from what we offer.”

“After over a decade of success, it was time for a new chapter to build something even bigger and better, and more aligned with my long-term vision,” he continued. “That’s how Roosevelt Bagel Factory was born.”

Junior said the feedback he has gotten from the community has been amazing.

Many customers tell him how happy they are that they finally have a bagel shop right here in town, he said.

“Customers love the fresh food, friendly atmosphere, and modern twist we bring,” Junior said. “It’s been exciting to see so much positive energy from the community.”



**Mayor Daniel J. Reiman is pictured with Roosevelt Bagel Factory owner Charlie Junior during an April 25 grand-opening celebration and ribbon-cutting ceremony.**

A Metuchen resident, Junior was born in Harlem, and is of Dominican and Puerto Rican descent.

He moved to New Jersey at a young age and has been working hard ever since to build a business for his family one bagel at a time.

“I’m here every day working hard and getting to know the town and its people,” Junior said. “I have a lot of respect for Carteret and definitely feel connected to the community. I know what it’s like to build a life through hard work and dedication, and that spirit is what I bring into my business.”

Charlie said he takes a great deal of direction from his father, Charlie Sr., who has many years of kitchen expertise.

Charlie Sr. has helped out whenever he’s needed in both Carteret and Woodbridge, Junior said.

“It’s always been a family operation from the very beginning,” Junior said. “We’ve built everything through hard work and strong family values.”

Junior now has a family of his own.

His 7-month-old daughter who was born shortly after he opened Roosevelt Bagel Factory.

“Balancing a brand new business and a newborn hasn’t been easy, but I’m truly thankful for my wife’s strength and support throughout it all,” he said. “Everything I’m building now is for our family’s future, and hopefully one day, she’ll be part of it too.”

Located at 695 Roosevelt Ave., Roosevelt Bagel Factory is open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. For more info and to place an order, call 732-366-2808 or click [rooseveltbf.com/](http://rooseveltbf.com/).



## Office of Emergency Management Information Session

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**MAY 31ST, 2025**

**10 TO 11 AM**

**DEVERIN COMMUNITY CENTER**

**100 COOKE AVENUE**

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Please join members of the Carteret Office of Emergency Management to learn about:

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- You owned and lived in your home (or leased a site in a mobile home park and lived in your mobile home) in 2020 and through December 31, 2024;
- Your property was subject to property taxes (site fees); and
- You meet the 2023 and 2024 income limits:
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- 🏠 Age 65 or over in 2024
- 🏠 2024 income below \$500,000
- 🏠 Owned and lived in your home for all of 2024

Stay NJ benefits are calculated after ANCHOR and Senior Freeze benefits are determined. If you qualify for all three programs, the Stay NJ benefit will be 50% of your property taxes (up to \$13,000) minus any payments received through ANCHOR and Senior Freeze (2024 benefit cap of \$6,500).

# **19th Districtor Legislators Will Help Seniors with PSA-1 Filing on May 28**



**The Joint Offices of state Sen. Joseph Vitale, left, Assembly Speaker Craig J. Coughlin, center, and Assemblywoman Yvonne Lopez will assist seniors with their Property Tax Relief Applications on Wednesday, May 28 at Thomas Deverin Community Center, 100 Cooke Ave.**

**T**he Joint Offices of state Sen. Joseph Vitale, Assembly Speaker Craig J. Coughlin, and Assemblywoman Yvonne Lopez will be visiting community centers throughout the 19th Legislative District to help seniors with filing PAS-1, the Property Tax Relief Application.

Organized with the Carteret Office on Aging, their stop at Thomas Deverin Community Center, 100 Cooke Ave., in Carteret will be 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, May 28.

“On behalf of the seniors of Carteret, I want to thank Sen. Vitale, Speaker Coughlin and Assemblywoman Lopez for helping our elderly with their PAS-1 filing,” Mayor Daniel J. Reiman. “Sometimes it takes a village, and I’m glad that is the case in the 19th Legislative District.”

Speaker Coughlin added, “Kitchen table issues have always been a priority for me, and affordability is at the center of that conversation. I was proud to author StayNJ, which will enable more seniors to be able to continue to live in their homes, close to family and friends. Thanks to our efforts in the legislature, we’re delivering historic property

tax relief to residents by expanding Senior Freeze eligibility, tripling the ANCHOR program for homeowners and reinstating it for renters, and implementing StayNJ.”

Assemblywoman Lopez added, “I know firsthand the rising cost of property taxes and housing in Perth Amboy and across New Jersey. I believe that you all shouldn’t have to make the difficult choice of leaving New Jersey or your home because it has become too expensive. You should have the option to stay in your home, and through the leadership of Speaker Coughlin, we are delivering crucial property tax relief.”

Important documents need for filing assistance are:

- Valid driver’s license, state identification card, and/or residency card/passport
- 2023 and 2024 income information (1040, W2, 1099)
- Property Tax Information (for homeowners)
- For PTR-2 recipients, mailed PAS-1 application (blue booklet).

For more information, call the offices of the 19th Legislative District at 732-855-7441 in Woodbridge or 732-638-5057 in Perth Amboy.

# ***PHOTO GALLERY: Carteret Fire Marine Unit Participates in Port Training***



On May 1, the Carteret Fire Department Marine Unit participated in a Joint Maritime Search and Rescue Drill hosted by Port Reading Fire Department on the Arthur Kill. Other participating agencies were Perth Amboy Fire Department, Woodbridge Fire Department and Woodbridge Township Emergency Medical Services. The drill simulated persons in the water at a deep water industrial port. Carteret Fire Marine 1 was tasked with rescuing one person in the water, and transferring them to a land-based EMS unit. “We’re very proud of our Fire Department’s Marine Unit always going the extra mile to be prepared to help our community,” Mayor Daniel J. Reiman said. Fire Chief Eric Wahl added, “This training serves to better prepare our firefighters with maritime readiness and provides our agency with the ability to enhance our interoperability with other government agencies. The borough has benefited from membership in the New Jersey Regional Fireboat Task Force as we can bring a multi-agency response to our community should the need arise during a maritime incident in the Arthur Kill.” Pictured below left is Firefighter Christopher Toth practicing a maritime rescue. Pictured below right from left to right are EMT Joe Horn, Firefighter Jason Lombardi, Lt. Brendan Rhodes, Chief Eric Wahl, Lt. Kevin Gomm, and Firefighter Toth.



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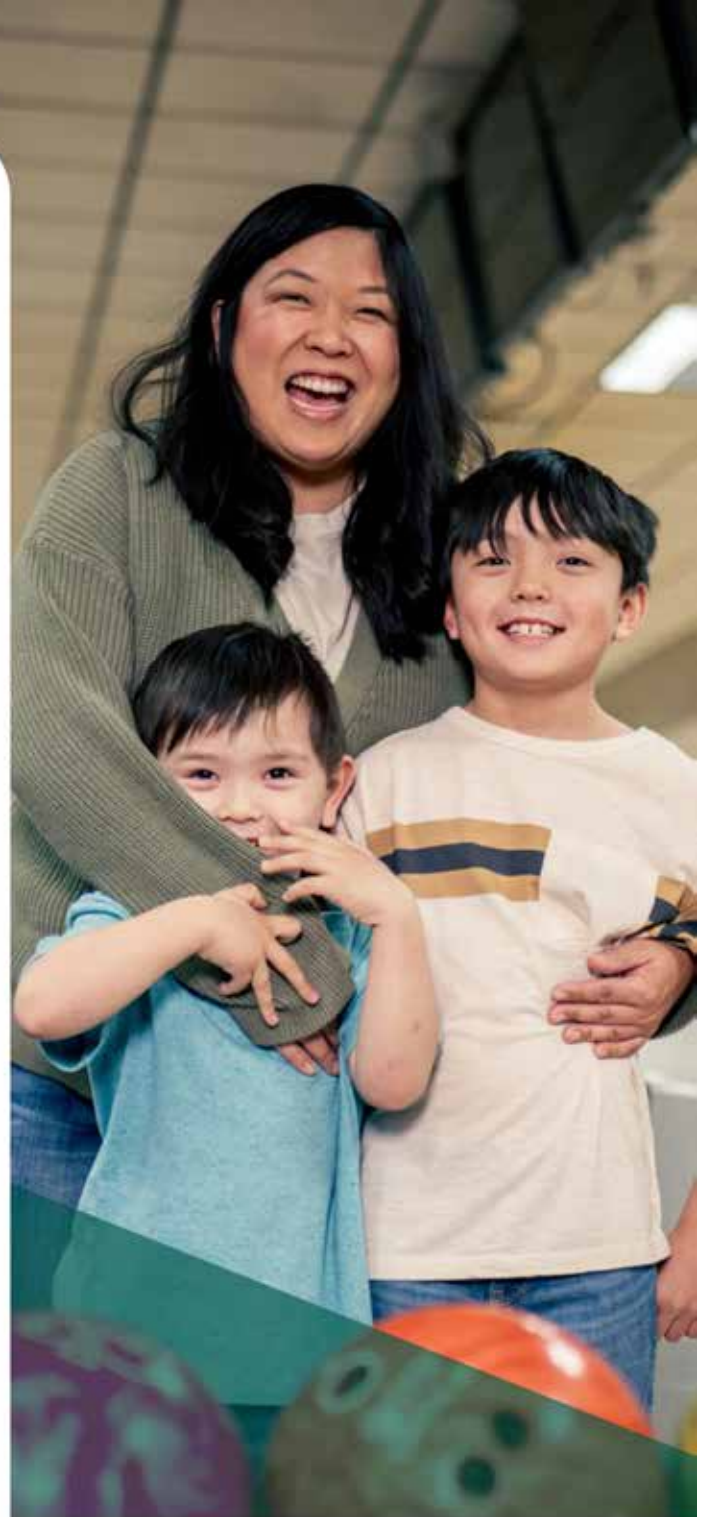
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