

100.1 WJRZ-FM 4th QUARTER 2015 ISSUES REPORT

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The following is the Quarterly Issues Report for WJRZ-FM for the fourth quarter of 2015. The report includes a synopsis of programs as well as a sampling of Public Service announcements, which aired between 10/1/15 and 12/31/15.

WJRZ-FM has identified the following issues of importance to its community of listeners:

- Health/Healthcare
- Youth At-Risk/Family Issues
- Consumerism/Public Safety
- Community
- Military/Veteran Issues

WJRZ-FM Public Affairs Program

Sunday - 6:00am - 6:30am

"Radio Health Journal" is a syndicated show that talks with authors, professors and other professionals about medical and health issues of local and national concern.

Sunday – 6:30am-7:00am

"Around Ocean County" is a local, weekly interview show covering a variety of issues making news in the station's hometown and county. Featuring pre-recorded interviews, the show is hosted and produced by Lisa Anderson.

HOW PROGRAMMING ADDRESSED THE ISSUES

HEALTH/HEALTHCARE

- 10/4/15...Around Ocean County. **Breast Health.** Guest: Dr. Debra Camal. Subjects: The Director of Breast Surgery at Riverview and Bayshore Hospitals discusses the latest in breast health technology, mammograms and advances in treatment (9:30)
- 10/18/15...Radio Health Journal. NORMAL PRESSURE HYDROCEPHALUS. Synopsis: As many as five percent of people diagnosed with Parkinson's or Alzheimer's diseases may in reality have a treatable disorder caused by "water on the brain." An expert and patient discuss. Host: Reed Pence. Guests: J.D. and Donna Cain, normal pressure hydrocephalus patient and his wife/caregiver; Dr. Marvin Bergsneider, Prof. of Neurosurgery and chief, Adult Hydrocephalus and ICP Disorders Program, UCLA (11:46)
- 10/18/15...*Around Ocean County.* **Medicinal Herbs.** Guest: Rosemary Gladstone. Subjects: The effects and cures by herbs that can be grown and made at home. (10:00)
- 10/18/15...Around Ocean County. Ocean County Women's Connection. Guests: Patty Barnes & Gabriele Maychuck, Ocean County Women's Connection. Subjects: The OC Women's Connection's six events annually that educate and empower women. This most recent even features speaker Dr. Bies who will touch on fatigue, depression, weight gain and hormones. (13:30)
- 10/25/15...Around Ocean County. Mary's Place By The Sea. Guest: Michelle Gannon, cofounder. Subjects: St. Mary's Place by the Sea is a retreat center for women battling cancer and those 1-year post-op. They provide care (both physical and mental), counseling, meals, massages and support. Michelle discusses a second location and a one-million dollar grant from Revlon. (21:00)
- 11/1/15...Radio Health Journal. MISDIAGNOSES: WHY THEY HAPPEN & HOW WE CAN PREVENT THEM. Synopsis: Studies estimate that about five percent of diagnoses are wrong, leading treatment down the wrong road. Experts discuss why misdiagnoses occur, and a new Institute of Medicine report on how they might be prevented. Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Dr. Mark L. Graber, President, Society to Improve Diagnosis in Medicine and Senior Fellow, RTI International; Dr. Lewis Levy, Senior Vice President of Medical Affairs and Chief Quality Officer, Best Doctors; Helen Haskell, President, Mothers Against Medical Error. (11:59)
- 11/8/15...Radio Health Journal. **THERMOGENESIS & WEIGHT LOSS.** Synopsis: The body uses extra calories to stay warm in cold conditions, creating heath through thermogenesis. However, it's only recently that scientists have discovered one of the mechanisms the body uses

for this--brown fat. Now they're learning how to harness brown fat for weight loss. Experts discuss. (15:00)

11/8/15...Radio Health Journal. **ONE MORE YEAR INSIDE ALZHEIMER'S**. Synopsis: One year ago, we visited Greg O'Brien, a journalist attempting to document his own decline into early onset Alzheimer's disease. Now he discusses the past year and the difficulties he's meeting as his disease progresses. Host: Lynn Holley. Guest: Greg O'Brien, author, On Pluto: Inside the Mind of Alzheimer's. (7:09)

11/29/15...Radio Health Journal. CANCER PREHABILITATION. Rehabilitation has been a staple of recovery for many illnesses, but often not after cancer treatment. Similarly, sometimes people about to undergo orthopedic surgery may be given exercises, or prehabilitation, to prepare them. A nationally known rehab specialist discusses using prehabilitation techniques for newly diagnosed cancer patients. Host: Nancy Benson. Guest: Dr. Julie Silver, Assoc. Prof. of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Harvard Medical School. (7:34)

11/29/15...Radio Health Journal. **RECHARGING OLD EGGS.** Synopsis: Infertility is often due to poor egg quality, or chromosomal damage. Some of this damage may occur in the egg's mitochondria, the cell's powerhouse. A new procedure seeks to replace mitochondria in old eggs with fresher mitocohndria to improve egg quality. However, some doctors say there haven't been enough studies to know if the procedure is either safe or effective. Experts discuss. Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Dr. Owen Davis, Prof. of Reproductive Medicine, Weill Cornell Medical College and President, American Society for Reproductive Medicine; Dr. Michelle Dipp, CEO and cofounder, Ovascience; Dr. Neal Mahutte, Medical Director, Montreal Fertility Center and President, Canadian Fertility and andrology Society (12:19)

12/6/15...Radio Health Journal. SEASONAL AFFECTIVE DISORDER & THE

HOLIDAYS. Synopsis: Some people, especially those in northern latitudes, may get the blues or worse as fall sets in and days get shorter. They suffer from seasonal affective disorder, a chemical change in the brain caused by decreased exposure to sunlight. Experts discuss causes and remedies. Host: Nancy Benson. Guests: Dr. Nicholas Forand, clinical psychologist, The Ohio State Univ. Wexner Medical Center; Jim LaValle, clinical pharmacist and nutritionist and author, Your Blood Never Lies and Cracking the Metabolic Code. (7:25)

12/13/15...Radio Health Journal. MAKING JOY IN A COMPLICATED WORLD.

Synopsis: Surveys show that most Americans are less than happy, and seldom experience joy. Two experts discuss how even naturally glum people can manufacture joy. Host: Nancy Benson. Guests: Dr. Sonja Lyubomirsky, Prof. of Psychology, Univ. of California Riverside and author, The How of Happiness and Myths of Happiness: What Should Make You Happy But Doesn't, What Shouldn't Make You Happy, But Does; Dr. Alex Korb, postdoctoral researcher, UCLA and author, The Upward Spiral: Using Neuroscience to Reverse the Course of Depression One Small Change at a Time. (7:32)

12/20/15...Radio Health Journal. IT'S NO HOLIDAY IN THE EMERGENCY ROOM.

Synopsis: The holidays are like no other time in your local hospital's emergency department. Having family in from out of town results in pickup football injuries, carving knife gashes, and maladies that should have been addressed long ago. Heart attacks additionally create a spike in dead-on-arrival cases greater than any other days of the year. Experts discuss why these occur and how to prevent them. Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Dr. Christopher Michos, Connecticut ER physician; Dr. Robert Kloner, Director of Research, Heart Institute, Good Samaritan Hospital, Los Angeles and Prof. of Medicine, keck School of Medicine, Univ. of Southern California; Dr. David Phillips, Prof. of Sociology, Univ. of California at San Diego. (12:17)

12/20/15...Radio Health Journal. THE TRAUMATIZED BRAIN. Synopsis: Traumatic brain injuries, even mild ones, may produce cognitive and personality changes months later, when that "bump on the head" has been forgotten. An expert explains these injuries and how to prevent some of the consequences. Host: Nancy Benson. Guest: Dr. Sandeep Vaishnavi, neuroscientist, Duke Univ. Medical Center, Director, Neuropsychiatric Clinic, Carolina Partners and co-author, The Traumatized Brain: A Family Guide to Understanding Mood, Memory, and Behavior After Brain Injury. (7:29)

YOUTH AT-RISK/FAMILY ISSUES

10/4/15...Radio Health Journal. **MISUNDERSTANDING AUTISM.** Synopsis: Autism has been misunderstood ever since its first description in the 1940's. Experts describe how this misunderstanding has drastically affected treatment of people with autism, and how schools and other institutions might change their approach and understanding to improve treatment. Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Steve Silberman, author, Neurotribes: The Legacy of Autism and the Future of Neurodiversity; Dr. Barry Prizant, Prof., Artists & Scientists As Partners group, Brown Univ. and author, Uniquely Human: A Different Way of Seeing Autism (12:40)

10/11/15...Radio Health Journal. WHAT YOUR THERAPIST IS THINKING. Synopsis: Many people have no idea how or why psychotherapy works. A well-known psychotherapist describes what therapists are thinking while the patient is talking and how these thoughts guide treatment. Host: Nancy Benson. Guest: Dr. Drew Permut, Clinical Professor of Psychology, George Washington Univ. and author, Inside Your Therapist's Mind: How a Psychotherapist Thinks and Why It Works. (8:06)

10/18/15...Radio Health Journal. LATER EFFECTS OF CHILDHOOD EMOTIONAL TRAUMA. Synopsis: Scientists have learned that emotional trauma suffered as a child or adolescent has profound effects on a person's physical health years later. Children who suffer multiple traumas such as loss of a parent and physical abuse are much more likely to experience cancer, heart disease and autoimmune diseases as adults. A noted science writer explains. Host:

Nancy Benson. Guest: Donna Jackson Nakazawa, author, Childhood Disrupted: How Your Biography Becomes Your Biology, and How You Can Heal. (8:06)

12/6/15...Radio Health Journal. CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT.

Synopsis: A recent study finds that about 35 percent of children receiving treatment for mental health issues are being treated only by a primary care physician. This is due in part to a shortage in pediatric mental health care providers as well as a stigma in consulting them. Experts discuss readiness of pediatricians to treat mental illness in children and adolescents and efforts to be sure they're prepared. Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Dr. Jeanne Van Cleve, Asst. Prof. of Pediatrics, Harvard Medical School and Mass. General Hospital for Children; Dr. Douglas Tynan, clinical psychologist, American Psychological Assn.; Dr. Scott Benson, child & adolescent psychiatrist, Pensacola, FL (12:45)

12/6/15...Around Ocean County. **Jar of Hope Foundation.** Guest: James Raffone, founder. Subjects: James is the father of a 6 year old who is battling Duchenne's Muscular Dystrophy. In order to raise funds, James is visiting 79 gyms in 79 weeks to inspire people to perform physical feats. He will also partake in 5 marathons and his inspiration has already helped raise thousands of dollars (22:36)

12/27/15...Radio Health Journal. SERIOUSLY ILL ADOLESCENTS: STILL TEENS FIRST. Synopsis: Seriously ill teenagers still act like teens in the hospital, sometimes aided and abetted by staff. A novelist discusses her observations from years on the hospital floor with her sick child as the basis for her book. Host: Nancy Benson. Guest: Hollis Seamon, Prof. of English, College of St. Rose, faculty, MFA in Creative Writing program, Fairfield Univ. and author, Somebody Up There Hates You. (12:22)

CONSUMERISM/PUBLIC SAFETY

10/4/15...Around Ocean County. Juice, Inc. Guest: Brady Wilson. Subjects: The author and co-founder of "Juice, Inc." discusses how technology has taken over face-to-face communication in the workplace. Also discusses how to energize your employees and get ideas flowing. (11:00)

10/11/15...Around Ocean County. Seaside Heights, NJ. Guest: Tony Vaz, Mayor of Seaside Heights. Subject: Mayor Vaz discusses the ways in which Seaside Heights has recovered from Superstorm Sandy and the boardwalk fire of 2014, senior housing developments, the past summer's concert series, beach replenishment, new businesses, restaurants and homes (23:00)

10/25/15...Radio Health Journal. CONTACT LENSES: THEY'RE DIFFERENT TODAY. Synopsis: Thirty million Americans wear contact lenses, but today's high tech lenses are vastly superior to those of a few decades ago. Even so, most contact wearers don't maintain their lenses

correctly. An expert explains. Host: Nancy Benson. Guest: Dr. April Jasper, Optometrist, West Palm Beach, FL. (7:25)

11/15/15...Radio Health Journal. YOUR MEDICINE CABINET: A USER'S GUIDE. Synopsis: Most people's medicine cabinet is a disorganized mess with problems that could prevent healing and even threaten health. A pharmacist advised what should be in your medicine cabinet and how to keep those medicines safe and effective. Host: Lynn Holley. Guest: Sherry Torkos, pharmacist and author, The Canadian Encyclopedia of Natural Medicine and Saving Women's Hearts. (7:49)

11/22/15...Radio Health Journal. **DOCTORS' CLOTHES: REASON TO CHANGE?**Synopsis: Controversy has broken out over the doctor's traditional white lab coat and necktie. Some doctors say physicians should wear short sleeves instead because coats carry germs. Others maintain the white coat isn't a germ colony, but rather is a source of comfort for patients. Experts discuss. Host: Nancy Benson. Guest: Dr. Gonzalo Bearman, Prof. of Medicine and hospital epidemiologist, Virginia Commonwealth Univ. Health System; Dr. Christopher Petrilli, Chief Medical Resident, Univ. of Michigan Health System; Peter Seelf, Team Leader, Member Experience, Boy Scouts of America. (7:47)

11/22/15...Radio Health Journal. **FOOD INSECURITY.** Synopsis: Forty-nine million people in the US are food insecure-- often unsure they'll have three decent meals per day. The poor are also often forced to purchase foods that are poor in nutrition, which leads to high rates of obesity. Experts discuss reasons for food insecurity, outcomes, and a variety of inventive solutions. Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Ross Fraser, Director of Media Relations, Feeding America; Leanne Brown, author, Good and Cheap: How to Eat Well on \$4 a Day; Susan Topping, Denior Director of Partners and Programs, Capital Area Food Bank, Washington, DC (12:01)

12/13/15...Radio Health Journal. HUMAN TRAFFICKING: MODERN DAY SLAVERY. Synopsis: Slavery was officially outlawed 150 years ago in the US, but millions of vulnerable low-wage workers are still exploited and trapped in the US and around the world. Experts discuss why foreigners are especially at risk of being intimidated into forced labor in the US and how they might be rescued. Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Melysa Sperber, Director, Alliance to End Slavery and Trafficking; Catherine Longkumer, Project Manager, Human Trafficking Initiative, Legal Aid Society of Metropolitan Family Services of Chicago. (12:11)

12/27/15...Around Ocean County. **Tracy Willen.** Guest: Tracy Willen. Subject: Global Speaker Tracy Willen spoke at the Jersey Shore about the local job market as well as hiring predictions for 2016. She also spoke about Governor Chris Christie, his part in global trends, what technology will bring in the new year and aspects of landing a good paying job despite the economy. (22:21)

COMMUNITY

11/1/15...Around Ocean County. Ocean County Freeholders. Guest: Christopher Leitner and Jimmy Esposito. Subjects: Both running for Ocean County Freeholders, Christopher and Jimmy discuss the issues, environmental concerns, homelessness and the need for affordable housing so that families can exist in a harmonious environment. (23:00)

11/22/15...Around Ocean County. Ocean County Hunger Relief. Guest: Carol Latiffe, Executive Director. Subject: Carol discusses the various programs offered by OCHR such as providing meals year round as well as delivering meals to thousands of families during Thanksgiving. Since 1980, OCHR has worked tirelessly to provide this type of help in Ocean County. Also discussed is their participation in 100.1 WJRZ's "Share The Joy" food drive. (22:00)

11/29/15...Around Ocean County. Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Ocean County. Guest: Sue Sedevic, Executive Director. Subjects: Sue discusses her role with BBBSOC as well as how listeners can become mentors, explains the screening process and activities the organization provides including the annual Christmas party. Also discussed is their participation in 100.1 WJRZ's "Share The Joy" toy drive. (12:10)

12/13/15...Around Ocean County. "Beat The Streets." Guest: Paul Hulse, Founder "Beat the Streets" non-profit organization. Subject: Paul discusses what led him to become the founder of this organization that helps residents of Ocean County find affordable housing, provide food/shelter and elaborate on job opportunities. (22:44)

MILITARY/VETERAN/POLICE ISSUES

11/8/15...Around Ocean County. **Dominic Certo.** Guest: Dominic Certo, Author/Producer. Subject: The plight of our Veterans not only from the recent wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, but the soldiers who fought in Vietnam still struggling with PTSD, housing and medical issues. (22:24)

11/15/15...Radio Health Journal. INTERROGATION TACTICS & FALSE

CONFESSIONS. Synopsis: Confessing to a crime that a person did not commit is a major reason for wrongful convictions. Scientists have found that the psychology of innocent people is a major reason for false confessions. Experts discuss the chain of events and psychology that allow them to occur, and public policy changes that could make them much more rare. Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Dr. Max Guyll, Asst. Prof. of Psychology, Iowa State Univ.; Rob Warden, Executive Director, Center on Wrongful Convictions, Northwestern Univ. School of Law. (12:19)

12/20/15...Around Ocean County. "Project Little Soldier." Guest: Ronnie Micciula, Executive Director. Subject: Annual toy drive for struggling military families that provides toys and gifts for children whose parents are serving overseas. Other programs provided include Thanksgiving meals, dinners for families at military homecomings and help for families who are struggling financially all year long.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Hooper Ave. Elementary School on 12/18- WJRZ visits the children of Toms River, NJ Elementary School for a pizza party, as thanks for their donations to Share The Joy.

Toms River High School North on 12/22- WJRZ brings lunch to the students of the Military Club at Toms River, NJ High School, as thanks for their volunteer help at Share The Joy.

9/27- 10/3: (30 pre-rec/ live) Bricktober Fest on 10/3- The inaugural Bricktober Fest and 5K in Brick NJ.

9/27- 10/3: (20 pre-rec/ 20 live) Chowder Cook-off Merchants Mart on 10/3- Annual Chowder Cook-off Merchants Mart in Beach Haven, NJ.

9/28- 10/4: (20 pre-rec/ 20 live) Race for the Cure at Six Flags on 10/4- 100.1 WJRZ at Six Flags in Jackson, NJ for the Susan G. Komen Foundation Race for the Cure event in support of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

9/28- 10/4: (20 pre-rec/ 20 live) Chowder Cook-off Classic on 10/4- Annual Chowder Cook-off Classic in Beach Haven, NJ.

10/5- 10/11: (15 live) Ocean County Columbus Day Parade on 10/11- Celebrating Columbus Day in Seaside Heights, NJ.

10/10- 10/16: (20 live) TD Bank Bring Change Program on 10/16- Supporting TD Bank's "Bring Change" program, which supports local organizations that are making a real difference in the communities TD serves, and also assists individuals recovering from hardships, such as illness or natural disaster. Manahawkin, NJ branch.

9/27- 10/17: (25 pre-rec/ 25 live) Toms River Harvest Arts Festival on 10/17- Fall Festival in Downtown Toms River, NJ.

10/5- 10/18: (25 pre-rec/ 25 live) Stafford Township Fall Harvest Wine Festival on 10/17 & 10/18- Annual Stafford Township Fall Harvest Wine Festival at Manahawkin Lake Park, Manahawkin NJ.

10/16- 10/22: (20 live) Chamberfest on 10/22- Chamberfest at the River Rock Restaurant & Marina Bar in Brick, NJ.

- 10/17- 10/23: (20 live) Brick Trunk or Treat on 10/23- Annual Brick Township, NJ Recreation Department and the Brick Municipal Alliance Committee on Alcoholism, Drug Abuse and Youth Services "Trunk or Treat" Halloween Event at Drum Point Sports Complex.
- 9/7- 10/31: (140 pre-rec/ 75 live) Toms River Halloween Parade on 10/31- Annual parade celebrating Halloween in Downtown Toms River, NJ.
- 10/1- 11/1: (15 per week) Hometown Heroes Zombie 5K Fun Run on 11/1- The Hometown Heroes Zombie 5K Fun Run at Argos Farm in Forked River, NJ.
- 10/27- 11/2: (20 live) Annual Halloween Candy Buy Back Contest on 11/2- Halloween candy collection for cash by Dr. Rotem of Toms River, NJ with proceeds to benefit our troops.
- 11/5- 11/11: (15 live) Ocean County Veterans Day Parade on 11/11- Celebrating Veterans Day in Downtown Toms River, NJ.
- 11/6- 11/12: (20 pre-rec/ 20 live) Lakewood Chamber Expo on 11/12- Five Chamber Business to Business Expo at Martell's Tiki Bar in Pt. Pleasant Beach, NJ. Hosted by 100.1 WJRZ and Sales Manager Mike Normand.
- 10/20- 11/8: (60 pre-rec) Home Point Financial Thank A Blank on 11/15- Thanksgiving style banquet honoring Police Officers, Veterans, Teachers, etc., nominated by their peers.
- 11/2- 11/21: (140 pre-rec/ 75 live) Share The Joy 2015 on 11/20 & 11/21- Collection of toys, food and clothing for underprivileged people, benefiting charities, Ocean County Hunger Relief and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Ocean County, NJ.
- 11/22- 11/28: (25 live) Tuckerton Seaport Thanksgiving Dinner on 11/28- Free Thanksgiving meal to all local families, regardless of need, at the Tuckerton Seaport & Baymen's Museum in Tuckerton, NJ.
- 11/25- 12/1: (20 live) Freehold Christmas Tree Lighting on 12/1- Downtown Freehold, NJ Christmas Tree Lighting. Hosted by 100.1 WJRZ and Lisa Anderson.
- 11/28- 12/4: (35 live) Toms River Christmas Tree Lighting on 12/4- Downtown Toms River, NJ Christmas Tree Lighting and a visit from Santa. Hosted by 100.1 WJRZ and Matt Knight.
- 11/29- 12/5: (15 live) Ship Bottom Christmas Parade on 12/5- Celebrating the holiday season in Ship Bottom, LBI, NJ.
- 11/29- 12/5: (15 live) Tuckerton Fire Department Christmas Parade on 12/5-Celebrating the holiday season in Tuckerton, NJ.
- 11/30- 12/6: (25 live) Jingle Bells Run on 12/6- Toms River, NJ Police Department Jingle Bells 5k Run to fund scholarships for local high school students.

- 12/6- 12/12: (25 live) Stafford TWP. P.B.A. Holiday Toy Drive on 12/12- Toy collection for under privileged kids in Stafford Township at Costco in Manahawkin, NJ.
- 10/1-10/3: Register now for the "Bricktober Fest 5K & Fun Run" on Saturday, October 3rd at 8am at Windward Beach Park in Brick.
- 10/1-10/3: Hope Sheds Light holds their 2nd annual "Celebration of Hope Walk" on Saturday, October 3rd on the Hiering Avenue Beach in Seaside Heights starting at 8am to support their mission to educate families on the disease of addiction by creating awareness, providing resources and instilling hope to support a healthier community.
- 10/1-10/3: The Silverton Volunteer Fire Company will hold their 8th annual Poker Run on Saturday, October 3rd from 8 to 11am, beginning and ending at the firehouse, located at 15 Kettle Creek Road in Toms River.
- 10/1-10/3: The Jersey Shore Down Syndrome Association will hold their annual "Buddy Walk" on Saturday, October 3rd in the picnic area in Winding River Park in Toms River starting at 9:30am.
- 10/1-10/3: Georgian Court University in Lakewood will hold their 4th annual "Homecoming 5K Race/Walk" on Saturday, October 3rd at 9:30am. Money raised will be used to help support all of the university's various sports teams.
- 10/1-10/3: The Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh of the Jersey Shore are sponsoring the "Shillelagh 5k Run/Walk" on Saturday, October 3rd.
- 10/1-10/3: The "Monmouth County Concours d'Elegance," Antique Car Show will take place on Saturday, October 3rd from 10am to 4pm at Hop Brook Farm Airport in Holmdel, to benefit 180 Turning Lives Around, Inc.
- 10/1-10/3: The Jackson Memorial Jaguar Band will host its annual "Showcase of Champions" on Saturday, October 3rd at the school's Jack Munley Field starting at 5:30pm.
- 10/1-10/3: The Knights of Columbus Council 3828, Long Beach Island, Manahawkin and Barnegat presents the hit show "Late Nite Catechism" on Saturday, October 3rd at 7:30pm at the Stafford Township Art Center.
- 10/1-10/4: The Tanner Edwards Foundation presents the 6th annual "Tanner's Run," 5K & 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk on Sunday, October 4th at The Sawmill in Seaside Park starting at 8:30am.
- 10/1-10/4: Teen Challenge New Jersey presents the "Men's Choir Ministry" on Sunday, October 4th at 10am at New Life Community Church in Little Egg Harbor.

10/1-10/5: Open Arms will hold their 26th annual "Dinner and Fashion Show" on Monday, October 5th at the Toms River Hotel starting at 5:30pm to benefit CONTACT of Ocean & Monmouth Counties and Ocean's Harbor House.

10/1-12/31: College students! Internships are now available at 100.1 WJRZ. Gain experience in radio, earn school credits and have fun!

10/1-12/31: WJRZ cares about our troops, as cell phones for soldiers are being collected for the "Support the Troops Project."

10/5-10/8: The Friends of Toms River Library will sponsor their 3rd annual Golf Outing on Thursday, October 8th at Bey Lea Golf Course in Toms River.

10/5-10/8: St. Mary's By the Sea Episcopal Church, located at 804 Bay Avenue in Point Pleasant Beach will hold a Rummage Sale on Thursday, October 8th from 9am to 2pm, and Friday, October 9th from 9am to 1pm.

10/5-10/9: Jersey Shore United, a non-profit assisting families affected by Hurricane Sandy, is hosting the "Every Child is Beautiful Tour" concert on Friday, October 9th at 7pm at The Church of Grace and Peace in Toms River.

10/5-10/10: The Jersey Shore Animal Center presents their 4th annual "Beach to Bay 5k Run/Walk for the Animals" on Saturday, October 10th on Brick Beach 3 starting at 8:30am.

10/5-10/10: The Lakeside Gardner of Cedar Glen will hold a Flea Market on Saturday, October 10th from 9am to 1pm at both clubhouses on Michigan Avenue in Whiting.

10/5-10/10: The Manchester Vol. Fire Co. #1 presents their "60th Anniversary & Open House Fire Prevention" on Saturday, October 10th from 10am to 4pm.

10/5-10/10: The Whiting Business Association is sponsoring the 3rd annual "Classic Car and Truck Show" on Saturday October 10th at 11am in the Whiting Town Center. Proceeds benefit the Whiting Food Pantry.

10/5-10/10: Joan's Reach will hold their 4th annual "Chili Cook Off" on Saturday, October 10th at 2pm at the Freehold VFW, located at 50 Waterworks Road in Freehold.

10/5-10/10: The Brick Township High School Marching Dragons presents "MusicFest," featuring 14 area bands, on Saturday, October 10th starting at 5pm at the school on Chambers Bridge Road in Brick.

10/5-10/10: The St. Francis annual Spaghetti Dinner will be held on Saturday, October 10th from 5 to 8pm at the St. Francis Community Center Gym, Long Beach Township.

10/5-10/10: The Monmouth County SPCA presents their annual "Fur Ball" on Saturday, October 10th from 6 to 11pm at the Ocean Place Resort and Spa in Long Branch.

10/5-10/10: Associated Humane Societies/Popcorn Park will be holding their annual Gift Auction on Saturday, October 10th at the Toms River Elks Lodge #1875 on Washington Street in Toms River.

10/5-10/10: There will be a Gift Auction at the Barnegat Firehouse on Birdsall Street on Saturday, October 10th to benefit the Barnegat High School Scholarship Fund.

10/5-10/10: Beatlemania comes to St. Justin's Church Parish Center in Toms River on Saturday, October 10th at 7:30pm, with a performance of all the Beatles' biggest songs. The show benefits St. Justin Center of Learning, part of the Holy Innocents Society of the Diocesan of Trenton, serving people with developmental disabilities.

10/5-10/11: The 43rd annual "Long Beach Island Commemorative 18 Mile Run" will take place on Sunday, October 11th at 10:30am in Holgate, Long Beach Island.

10/5-10/11: Morning Star Presbyterian Church in Bayville presents its 6th annual "Canine Carnival" on Sunday, October 11th from noon to 4pm.

10/5-10/12: Birthdays Above Ground presents "Links for Life" on Monday, October 12th at Sea Oaks Country Club in Little Egg Harbor to benefit Southern Ocean Medical Center's new Cancer Care Center.

10/5- 10/13: The Walters Group in Barnegat is sponsoring its 11th annual Food Drive from October 5th to October 13th to benefit the Food Bank of Monmouth/Ocean Counties.

10/12-10/13: "Crucial Catch Day," your day to fight breast cancer, will be held on Tuesday, October 13th from 11am to 3pm at VNACJ Community Health Center in Asbury Park.

10/12-10/21: Registration for the St. Francis Community Center of Long Beach Township "Co-ed Recreation Basketball League" for ages 8 to 14 will take place on Wednesday, October 14th and Wednesday, October 21st from 6 to 8pm.

10/12-10/16: "Choc 'N' Roll," the Everything Chocolate Gourmet Benefit for Children in Foster Care, to support CASA of Ocean County, will be held on Friday, October 16th at Doolan's Shore Club in Spring Lake Heights from 7 to 11pm.

10/12-10/17: The H & M Potter School in Bayville presents their "Terror in the Hall: Zombie Apocalypse Halloween" event on Friday, October 16th and Saturday, October 17th from 7 to 10pm to benefit the PTA.

- 10/12-10/17: Animal Protection League is holding their bike ride fundraiser, "Ride For The Animals" at Allaire State Park in Wall on Saturday, October 17th from 9am to noon.
- 10/12-10/17: The Central Regional PTA will host a Flea Market on Saturday, October 17th from 9am to 3pm.
- 10/12-10/17: The first ever "Easter Seals Walk With Me and 5K Fun Run" will be held on Saturday, October 17th at FirstEnergy Park in Lakewood to help raise awareness for those with disabilities.
- 10/12-10/17: Saint Monica's Knights of Columbus Council 11529 of Jackson will hold their 9th annual "Rubber Duck Race" on Saturday, October 17th from 11am to 4pm at Pine Park in Lakewood.
- 10/12-10/17: The Point Pleasant Beach Chamber of Commerce presents the "Rhythm & Chowder Festival" on Saturday, October 17th from 11am to 6pm on Inlet Drive, Point Pleasant Beach.
- 10/12-10/17: LBI Meet & Greet presents an "Autumn Fest" at Sunset Park in Harvey Cedars on Saturday, October 17th from noon to 6pm.
- 10/12-10/17: Berkeley Township Recreation presents "Trick or Trunk" on Saturday, October 17th from noon to 2pm in the Berkeley Township Elementary School parking lot.
- 10/12-10/17: Our Special Kids of Toms River will hold their annual Gift Auction on Saturday, October 17th at the Toms River Elks Lodge.
- 10/12-10/17: SquanStrong is hosting a "Neon Night 3K Fun Run/Walk" on Saturday, October 17th from 6 to 9pm at Sea Watch Beach in Manasquan.
- 10/12-10/17: The Southern Regional High School Class of 1975 is holding a reunion at Sea Oaks Country Club in Tuckerton on Saturday, October 17th from 6 to 10:30pm.
- 10/12-10/17: The community is invited to an evening of humor, faith and understanding on Saturday, October 17th at 7:30pm at Holmdel Community United Church of Christ.
- 10/12-10/18: Courage From Kyle will hold their 4th annual "Never Give Up Poker Run" on Sunday, October 18th at Ocean County Harley-Davidson on Route 70 in Lakewood and ending at American Legion Post #232 in Toms River.
- 10/12-10/18: Walnut Street Elementary PTO presents the "1 Mile Color Run" on Sunday, October 18th at Toms River Intermediate North.
- 10/12-10/18: The Ocean Running Club will hold the "Seaside Half Marathon and 5K" on the boardwalk on Sunday, October 18th starting at 8:30am.

- 10/12-10/18: The American Cancer Society will hold their annual "Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk" on Sunday, October 18th starting at 10am on Arnold Avenue in Point Pleasant Beach.
- 10/12-10/18: The Central Regional PTA is hosting a "Family Portrait Day" at Dudley Park in Bayville on Sunday, October 18th from 3 to 5pm.
- 10/12-10/18: Ocean County Mothers of Multiples will hold their annual Vendor Night on Sunday, October 18th from 7 to 10pm at the Toms River Knights of Columbus Hall on Tennyson Avenue in Toms River.
- 10/12-10/19: The HOPE Center of Ocean County will hold their 5th annual "Chef's Night" on Monday, October 19th at Woodlake Country Club in Lakewood from 6 to 9pm.
- 10/19-10/23: Friends Helping Friends will hold their 7th annual "Golf Outing and Gift Auction Gala" on Friday, October 23rd at Woodlake Country Club in Lakewood.
- 10/19-10/23: A "Gift Auction" will be held on Friday, October 23rd at 7pm to benefit the Southern Regional High School Classes of 2017, 2018 and 2019.
- 10/19-10/24: "Operation Halloween" will be held on Friday and Saturday, October 23rd and 24th from 4 to 10pm each day at the Citta Scout Reservation in Waretown.
- 10/19-10/24: Drive for Autism will hold a "Car Show and Fall Festival" on Saturday, October 24th from 10am to 4:30pm at Barnegat High School.
- 10/19-10/24: Shore Elite Training in Jackson will hold "Train For The Cure," a boot camp workout event to raise money for breast cancer research on Saturday, October 24th at 10am.
- 10/19-10/24: Casino Pier on the boardwalk in Seaside Heights will hold a "Fall Festival" on Saturday, October 24th from noon to 3pm.
- 10/19-10/24: The Friends of Johnny Wheels presents an "Oktoberfest" fundraiser on Saturday, October 24th at Latitudes on the River in Forked River starting at 1pm.
- 10/19-10/24: All Saints Regional Catholic School's Student council "Trunk or Treat & Bake Sale" will be held on Saturday, October 24th from 1 to 3pm at the school parking lot at 400 Doc Cramer Blvd. in Manahawkin.
- 10/19-10/24: The 3rd annual "Walk along the Riverfront," benefiting the Monmouth County SPCA's Pet Food Pantry will take place on Saturday, October 24th beginning at 2pm in Belmar.
- 10/19-10/24: The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's "Light the Night Walk" will take place on Saturday, October 24th at 5pm on the Great Lawn in Long Branch.

- 10/19-10/24: The Manahawkin Elks presents "SWF Pro Wrestling" on Saturday, October 24th at 7:30pm at their lodge on Hilliard Boulevard in Manahawkin.
- 10/19-10/24: Pioneer Hose Fire Co. No. 1 will be hosting a "Jersey Shore Paint Party" fundraiser on Saturday night, October 24th at 7:30pm at their firehouse on Drum Point Road in Brick.
- 10/19-10/25: The Harbor House 6th annual "5K Run for Shelter" will be held on Sunday, October 25th at FirstEnergy Park in Lakewood at 9am.
- 10/19-10/25: The Jackson Memorial Jaguar Band will host its annual "Showcase of Champions" on Sunday, October 25th at the school's Jack Munley Field starting at 1pm.
- 10/19-10/25: A free concert by the Pineland Symphonic Band will be held on Sunday, October 25th at 3pm at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Beachwood.
- 10/19-10/25: The Hamilton Fire Company Auxiliary presents "Trunk or Treat" on Sunday, October 25th from 4 to 6pm at the firehouse parking lot in Neptune.
- 10/26-10/29: The Friends of the Stafford Library Book Sale will be held on Thursday, October 29th from 9am to 1pm at 129 N. Main Street in Manahawkin.
- 10/26-10/31: LBI Creative Minds presents a "Halloween Party, Zombie Walk and Dog Parade" on Saturday, October 31st starting at noon on Schooner's Wharf and Bay Village in Beach Haven.
- 10/26-10/31: The Lakewood Township Committee presents a "Halloween Fun Festival" on Saturday, October 31st from 1 to 4pm at the Lakewood Town Square.
- 11/2-11/3: All branches of the Ocean County Library will be closed Tuesday, November 3rd in observance of Election Day.
- 11/2-11/5: Elderfest, an expo highlighting free health and wellness screenings and a \$100 gift card giveaway every 30 minutes, will be held on Thursday, November 5th from 11am to 3pm at the Clarion Hotel in Toms River.
- 11/2-11/7: The Friends of the Toms River Library is holding their semi-annual Book Sale, November 5th through November 7th.
- 11/2-11/7: Join national sleep expert Carol Ash, D.O., and a panel of Meridian Health physicians for a dynamic and inspiring event, "The Power of an Hour" on Saturday, November 7th from 8:30am to noon at The Oyster Point Hotel in Red Bank.
- 11/2-11/7: The American Legion Department of New Jersey will be hosting a "Veterans Forum" at Toms River American Legion Post 129 in Toms River on Saturday, November 7th from 9am to 1pm.

- 11/2-11/7: The Manahawkin United Methodist Women will hold their annual Bazaar in the church's Fellowship Hall on Saturday, November 7th from 9am to 2pm.
- 11/2-11/7: Ocean Community Church in Manahawkin will host their annual "Holly Berry Bazaar" on Saturday, November 7th from 9am to 3pm.
- 11/2-11/7: The St. Joseph Rosary Altar Society 27th annual "Craft Festival" will be held on Saturday, November 7th from 9am to 3pm.
- 11/2-11/7: CONTACT of Ocean and Monmouth Counties presents "Mardi Gras," an entertaining show featuring Mike Byrne & His Band, plus a 3-course luncheon, holiday shopping and more on Saturday, November 7th at Woodlake Country Club in Lakewood from 10am to 3:30pm.
- 11/2-11/7: The Lakehurst Manchester Lions Club presents 'Dinner and a Show" on Saturday, November 7th from 4 to 8pm at the Crestwood Village 5 Clubhouse in Whiting.
- 11/2-11/7: The Belmar Historical Society will host their "Bootleggers Fundraising Ball" on Saturday, November 7th from 7 to 11pm at the Waterview Pavilion in Belmar.
- 11/2-11/8: Jersey Shore Animal Center will hold their "Holiday Traditions Gift Auction" on Sunday, November 8th from 1 to 4pm at the Brick Elks Club
- 11/2-11/8: The Manahawkin Elks Club is hosting a special BINGO to support a special child. "A fundraiser for a Service Dog for Aidan" will be held on Sunday, November 8th at 2pm.
- 11/9-11/11: Forked River Presbyterian Church will hold a "Holiday Craft Fair" on Wednesday, November 11th from 9am to 3pm.
- 11/9-11/11: Jersey Shore United, a non-profit assisting families affected by Superstorm Sandy, is hosting the "My Story Tour" concert on Wednesday, November 11th at The Church of Grace and Peace in Toms River.
- 11/9-11/12: Dream Factory of the Jersey Shore will hold their "Dreams of the Shore Gift Auction" on Thursday, November 12th at The Mill at Spring Lake starting at 6pm.
- 11/9-11/12: The Inaugural "Dancing with Our Monmouth & Ocean County Stars" event, hosted by the Girl Scouts of the Jersey Shore, will be held on Thursday, November 12th from 6 to 10pm at Eagle Oaks Country Club in Farmingdale.
- 11/9-11/13: The Southern Regional Theatre Company will present the fall play "Twelve Angry Jurors" on Thursday and Friday, November 12th and 13th at 7pm in the auditorium of Southern Regional High School in Manahawkin.

- 11/9-11/13: The Brick Kiwanis is having a "Comedy Night" on Friday, November 13th at 8pm at the historic Strand Theater in Lakewood.
- 11/9-11/14: The "5K Race for Responders" will be held on Saturday, November 14th at Lake Topanemus in Freehold.
- 11/9-11/14: The Southern Regional Home and School Association is sponsoring their annual "Craft & Vendor Fair" on Saturday, November 14th from 9am to 2pm at the Southern Regional High School 9/10 gym in Manahawkin.
- 11/9-11/14: The annual "Crestwood Craft Show" will be held on Saturday, November 14th from 9am to 3pm at Fernwood Hall's Village VII in Whiting.
- 11/9-11/14: Christ Episcopal Church in Toms River will be holding their annual "Christmas Fair" on Saturday, November 14th from 9:30am to 4pm.
- 11/9-11/14: The Woman's Club of Manasquan will hold their annual "Gift Auction" on Saturday, November 14th from 11am to 3pm.
- 11/9-11/14: The "Alyssa's Angels Arthritis Auction" will be held on Saturday, November 14th from 5 to 9pm at the Elks Lodge on Hooper Ave. in Brick.
- 11/9-11/15: Berkeley Youth Football & Cheer and Harmony Lodge #18 will hold a "Gift Auction" to benefit Children's Specialized Hospital of Toms River on Sunday, November 15th starting at noon.
- 11/16-11/17: The Brick Chamber of Commerce will hold an "Open House" for potential new members on Tuesday, November 17th from 4:30 to 6:30pm at their office at 270 Chambers Bridge Road.
- 11/16-11/18: Score of Ocean County is sponsoring a seminar, "Essential Elements for Business Success" on Wednesday, November 18th at 7:30am at the Toms River Hotel and Conference Center.
- 11/16-11/22: The Bengal Theatre Company of Barnegat High School will be performing "Aladdin and the Wonderful Lamp," November 19th thru the 22nd.
- 11/16-11/20: The Optimist Club of Barnegat will conduct its annual "Optimist Spaghetti Dinner and Chinese Auction" on Friday night, November 20th. The dinner will be served from 5 to 7pm at the Barnegat Recreation Center on W. Bay Avenue in Barnegat; with the auction starting at 7pm.
- 11/16-11/20: Brick PAL presents a "70's and 80's Flashback Party" on Friday, November 20th from 7 to 11pm.

- 11/16-11/21: A "Holiday Vendor & Craft Fair" will be held on Saturday November 21st from 10am to 3pm at the Toms River Elks on Washington Street to help support Spirit Factory All Star ICE Cheerleaders get to a Cheer Championship Competition in Florida.
- 11/16-11/21: The 4th annual Southern Regional "Basketball Tip-off Breakfast" fundraiser will be held on Saturday, November 21st at Applebee's in Manahawkin from 7:30 to 10:30am.
- 11/16-11/22: The St. Francis Community Center annual "Christmas Craft Show" will take place on Saturday and Sunday, November 21st and 22nd at the center, located at 4700 Long Beach Blvd., Long Beach Township.
- 11/16-11/22: Pleasant Plains Volunteer Fire Department will be holding their 65th semi-annual "All-You-Can-Eat Flapjack Breakfast" on Sunday, November 22nd from 7am to noon at their firehouse at 40 Clayton Avenue in Toms River.
- 11/23-11/24: The Friends of the Stafford Library Book Sale will be held on Tuesday, November 24th from 9am to 1pm at 129 N. Main Street in Manahawkin.
- 11/23-11/26: All branches of the Ocean County Library will close at 5pm on Wednesday, November 25th and will be closed on Thursday, November 26th for the Thanksgiving holiday.
- 11/23-11/26: The Southern Ocean Ladies Running Club will hold their "Wobble Gobble 5k and 1 Mile Drumstick Race" at the Stafford Municipal Building on Bay Avenue in Manahawkin on Thanksgiving Day, November 26th at 7am to benefit C.A.S.A. of Ocean County and the Stafford D.A.R.E. Program.
- 11/23-11/26: The Church of Epiphany in Brick Township will host a free "Thanksgiving Dinner" on Thursday, November 26th at 1pm.
- 11/23-11/26: A traditional dinner of turkey, stuffing, and all the fixings, along with plenty of pies, will greet guests to "Simon's Soup Kitchen's annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner" on November 26th from 1 to 2pm at Our Lady of Perpetual Help on Grant Avenue in Seaside Heights.
- 11/23-11/28: Check out the "Christmas Craft Bazaar" at Pinelands Regional High School in Tuckerton on Saturday, November 28th from 9:30am to 3pm to support the Pinelands graduating class of 2016 and local crafters.
- 11/23-11/28: The American Legion Auxiliary presents a "Craft Fair" on Saturday, November 28th from 10am to 3pm at their post, located at 2025 Church Road in Toms River.
- 11/23-11/28: The Southern Ocean Chamber of Commerce presents "Shop Small Business Saturday" on November 28th.

- 11/23-12/11: The St. Francis Community Center of Long Beach Township annual "Gift of Warmth Project" is underway and needs your help. This project is focused on keeping the children in our community warm throughout the winter with blankets, clothing and footwear.
- 11/23-12/11: Stafford Township PBA Local 297 and the Stafford Township Recreation Department annual "Holiday Toy Drive" is on now through Friday, December 11th.
- 11/23-12/13: Caring people in the community can brighten the holidays through the "Angel Tree Project" of the Barnegat Chamber of Commerce and the Barnegat Food Pantry.
- 11/23-12/13: St. Francis Community Center of Long Beach Township is raffling off a \$5,000 Travel Gift Certificate, which makes a great gift for any occasion. Stop by and purchase a raffle ticket for only \$25 for your chance for a great trip.
- 11/30-12/3: The Big Brothers Big Sisters of Ocean County "Children's Art Exhibition & Auction" will take place on Thursday, December 3rd from 5 to 8pm at The Jay and Linda Grunin Center for the Arts (located on the OCC campus), 1 College Drive, Toms River.
- 11/30-12/3: Dottie's House will hold their "Holiday Cocktail Party" on Thursday, December 3rd at the River Rock Restaurant & Marina Bar in Brick.
- 11/30-12/4: The "Dine Around Beach Haven" event will take place on Friday, December 4th at 5:30pm, sponsored by Beach Haven Future.
- 11/30-12/4: The Brick Recreation Department presents the "Court Jesters vs. Brick Recreation Coaches Basketball Game" on Friday, December 4th at Brick Memorial High School.
- 11/30-12/6: Tuckerton Seaport presents the 13th annual "Christkindlmarkt," Friday, Saturday and Sunday, December 4th, 5th and 6th.
- 11/30-12/5: The Lavallette Business Association will hold its "Ugly Christmas Sweater Run" on Saturday, December 5th starting at 9am at the Lavallette School.
- 11/30-12/5: Tri-Boro First Aid will hold their "Christmas Gift Show & Bake Sale" on Saturday, December 5th from 9am to 2pm at the first aid station, located at 61 J Street in Seaside Park.
- 11/30-12/5: St. Mary's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church in Pt. Pleasant will hold their "Cookie Walk & Holiday Market" on Saturday, December 5th from 9am to 3pm.
- 11/30-12/5: The First Presbyterian Church in Tuckerton will hold their 25th annual "Christmas Bazaar" on Saturday, December 5th from 9:30am to 1:30pm.

11/30-12/5: Tickets are on sale for the 32nd annual "Christmas in Island Heights House Tour and Craft Shows," hosted by the Island Heights United Methodist Church, on Saturday, December 5th from 10am to 4pm.

11/30-12/5: The Lacey Township High School PTSA presents the "Sundaes with Santa and Craft Fair" on Saturday, December 5th from 11am to 3pm at Lacey Middle School in Forked River.

11/30-12/5: Take your pets to Glen Kelly Realtors in Beachwood on Saturday, December 5th from 11am to 4pm for "free digital pet pictures with Santa." All donations will go to the Popcorn Park Zoo of Lacey Township.

11/30-12/5: There will be a benefit for Julian W. Hoffman at Marlin's Bar and Restaurant in Point Pleasant on Saturday, December 5th from 2 to 6pm.

11/30-12/5: There will be a benefit for Tony Yagiello Jr., who is battling cancer, on Saturday, December 5th from 4 to 8pm at Parkertown Fire Co. in Little Egg Harbor.

11/30-12/5: The "Tuckerton Fire Department Christmas Parade" will be held on Saturday, December 5th at 5:15pm down Main Street (Route 9).

11/30-12/5: The Island Singers Community Chorus will hold their "Ring In The Holidays" concert on Saturday, December 5th at 7:30pm at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Beachwood.

11/30-12/5: Join the Joan Dancy and PALS (People with ALS) Foundation for their 2nd annual "Sinderella's Ball" on Saturday, December 5th at the Wonder Bar in Asbury Park.

11/30-12/6: Boy Scout Troop #175 will hold their "Breakfast with Santa" on Sunday, December 6th from 9am to noon at the East Dover First Aid Station, located on Garfield Ave. in Toms River.

11/30-12/6: The Jackson Liberty Lion Band will hold their "Vendor & Craft Fair" on Sunday, December 6th from 10am to 3pm at Jackson Liberty High School.

11/30-12/6: Extended Arms will host their "Holiday Shopping Event" on Sunday, December 6th from 11am to 3pm at the Toms River Country Club on Washington Street in Toms River to benefit Ocean's Harbor House and Contact of Ocean & Monmouth Counties.

11/30-12/6: As part of Lakewood's annual holiday festivities, Santa Claus will be marching down Clifton Avenue in Lakewood on Sunday, December 6th at 1pm.

11/30-12/9: Downtown Toms River presents the 12th annual "Deck the Halls" and "Bedeck your Business" Holiday Decorating Contests, sponsored by 100.1 WJRZ. Both

residents and businesses can participate for great prizes.

11/30-12/24: The Silverton Volunteer Fire Company #1 annual "Christmas Tree Sale" is on now through Thursday, December 24th or until sold out.

12/7-12/8: Brick Township will hold its annual "Chrismas Tree Lighting" at 5:30pm on Tuesday, December 8th at the Brick Municipal Building.

12/7-12/9: The "American Red Cross Blood Drive" will be at St. Francis of Assisi Church Hall, Long Beach Township on Wednesday, December 9th from 1 to 6pm.

12/7-12/12: "A Christmas Carol, The Redemption of Ebenezer Scrooge" will take place on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 10th, 11th and 12th at The Church of Grace and Peace in Toms River.

12/7-12/11: All branches of the Ocean County Library will have a delayed opening on Friday, December 11th for its annual Staff In-service Training, and will open at 1pm. The Bay Head Reading Center will reopen at 10am on Saturday, December 12th.

12/7-12/13: Emmanuel Community Church in Bayville presents their Christmas production "Joy! Unspeakable Joy!" on Friday, December 11th at 7pm and Sunday, December 13th at 10am.

12/7-12/12: Boy Scout Troop 117 in West Creek will be holding a "Vendor/Craft Fair" on Saturday, December 12th from 9am to 3pm at the Eagleswood Firehouse in West Creek.

12/7-12/12: The Brick Marching Dragons Caravan will hold their "Winter Juried Craft Show" on Saturday, December 12th from 9am to 4pm at Brick Township High School.

12/7-12/12: The Long Branch Athletic Department Green & White Association will be hosting a "Holiday Craft & Vendor Fair" on Saturday, December 12th at Long Branch High School from 9am to 5pm to benefit Long Branch High School's Athletic Department.

12/7-12/12: Santa Dog Photos to benefit the Friends of Southern Ocean County Animal Shelter will be held on Saturday, December 12th from 9:30 to 11am at The Good Life Gift Boutique in Surf City.

12/7-12/13: The Riddlesbrood Touring Theatre Company presents "A Christmas Carol" on Saturday and Sunday, December 12th and 13th at the Historic Strand Theater in Lakewood.

12/7-12/13: Toms River Fire Company No. 2 presents "Breakfast with Santa" on Sunday, December 13th from 9am to 1pm at Toms River Elks #1875.

12/7-12/13: Unity by the Shore in Neptune will hold their annual "Holiday Bazaar" on Sunday, December 13th starting at 9:30am.

12/14-12/16: Unity by the Shore in Neptune will hold their annual "Holiday Bazaar" on Wednesday, December 16th starting at 1pm.

12/14-12/18: The "Season of Giving Holiday Food & Gift drive" to benefit the children and families in need served by Ocean Mental Health Services is underway through Friday, December 18th.

12/14-12/18: The Toms River Elks on Washington Street in Toms River presents a "Festival of Trees" on Friday, December 18th from 5 to 11pm. Dozens of non-profit charities and local agencies will have Christmas trees on display.

12/14-12/19: The DMF Memorial Foundation & Ryan's Rebels will host the "Ryan's Reindeer Race 5K & Family Fun Fest" on Saturday, December 19th at FirstEnergy Park in Lakewood, to benefit the Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center and the family of Ryan Joyce, a 3-year old who has been battling cancer.

12/14-12/19: Santacon Seaside Heights will be held on Saturday, December 19th starting at noon. This Santa Claus convention is your chance to spread holiday cheer in the most magical and absurd way possible. All donations will go to the Marine Foundation Toys for Tots.

12/14-12/20: The Garden State Central Model Railroad Club will hold its "Holiday Spectacular and Christmas Train Display" at the Info Age Science Center on Marconi Road in Wall Township, Saturday and Sunday, December 19th and 20th. Donations of new, unwrapped toys for Toys for Tots will be accepted.

12/14-12/20: Unity by the Shore in Neptune will hold their annual "Holiday Bazaar" on Sunday, December 20th starting at 9:30am.

12/21-12/23: Jon Bon Jovi, Southside Johnny Lyon, Gary U.S. Bonds and John Cafferty will join Bobby Bandiera for the "HOPE 8 Concert" at the Count Basie Theatre in Red Bank on Wednesday, December 23rd at 7pm to benefit the Visiting Nurse Association Health Group and 180 Turning Lives Around.

12/21-12/25: All branches of the Ocean County Library will be closed Christmas Eve day and Christmas day. They will reopen for normal business hours on Saturday, December 26th.

12/21-12/28: Don't miss out on the "Brick Recreation Winter Camp Program" for Brick residents ages 6-12 or Special Need ages 6-17, December 28th through the 31st.

12/28-12/31: First Night Ocean County in Seaside Heights is a family New Year's celebration starting at noon on New Year's Eve inside the arcades along the boardwalk.

12/28-12/31: All branches of the Ocean County Library will close at 5pm on New Year's Eve and remain closed on New Year's Day. They will reopen for normal business hours Saturday, January 2nd.