COMMUNITY CALENDAR - 1st QUARTER 2017

Sunday, January 1

Asbury Park Polar Bear Plunge
The Sons of Ireland hold their 14th annual Polar Bear Plunge at Convention Hall in Asbury Park starting at 1:15 p.m. to benefit the charitable organizations Stephys Place and Shore House. Click http://www.sonsofireland.org/ for registration and additional information.

Saturday, January 7th –

The Ocean County Library in Toms River will host an exhibit of "Portraits of the Jersey Shore" from 2 to 4 p.m. See a collection of photographs and accompanying interviews of people found around the Jersey Shore from Sandy Hook to Cape May. Find out more at portraitsofthejerseyshore.com.

Thursday, January 12

Meet Opportunity NJ
The Greater Toms River Chamber of Commerce hosts Meet Opportunity NJ at the Holiday Inn Manahawkin starting at noon. Join a conversation with two of New Jersey's leading business advocates: Thomas Bracken, President of the NJ Chamber of Commerce and Michele N. Siekerka, President of the New Jersey Business & Industry Association. Click https://tomsriverchamber.com/chamber-calendar/ for tickets and more information.

Thursday, February 2

Paint Party with Easel on Down
The Congregation B'nai Israel Sisterhood hosts a Paint Party with Easel on Down at the temple on Old Freehold Road in Toms River starting at 6:30 p.m.. Click http://www.cbitr.org or call 732-349-1244 for tickets and more information.

Sunday, January 29
Congregation B'nai Israel hosts an American Red Cross blood drive at the temple located at 1488 Old Freehold Road in Toms River from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Click http://www.cbitr.org or call 732-349-1244 for more information.

Saturday, January 7

Big Man's Birthday Bash
CFC Loud N Clear and TOPAC (The Overdose Prevention Agency Corporation), host the Big Man's Birthday Bash at Bar Anticipation in Lake Como starting at 1 p.m. to celebrate the late Clarence Clemons' birthday. The Bash features performances by Gary U.S. Bonds, John Cafferty and Tunes, John Eddie and His Dirty Ol' Band, the BIG RoaD All Star Band and the Nick Clemons Band. Click the Facebook event page for tickets and more information.

Saturday, February 4

Our Hearts for Ellona
The Lakewood Elks host the benefit ball Our Hearts for Ellona at the Elks Hall on Kennedy Boulevard from 6:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m. At only 8 months old, Ellona was diagnosed with an extremely rare genetic disorder causing a deletion on one of her chromosomes. Her condition has caused significant delays in her developmental growth, specifically affecting her mobility. The ball will help raise funds for Ellona to attend a therapy center in California. Click https://www.facebook.com/events/1297392336983834/ or call 732-904-3528 for tickets and additional information.

Sunday, March 12

BTHS Band Auction
The Brick Township Memorial High School Band Support Association hosts their annual Luck of the Mustangs Gift Auction at Woodlake Country Club in Lakewood from noon – 5 p.m. Click marchingmustangs.org or call 908-489-3365 for tickets and more information.

Saturday, January 14

Police on the Ice
The New Jersey State Policeman's Benevolent Association Hockey team takes on Jersey City Police.at the Red Bank Armory at 7:45 p.m. to benefit the Kortney Rose Foundation. Click http://www.njspba.com/events/ for more information.

Saturday, January 28

Spaghetti Dinner
The Forked River Presbyterian Church hosts a Spaghetti Dinner at the church located at 131 North Main Street. There are two seatings at 4:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. Call 609-693-5624 for tickets and additional information.

Friday, February 17

Psychic Fair
The American Legion Auxiliary hosts a Psychic Fair at their hall on Church Road in Toms River from 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Saturday, February 18

Medical Brigade Bon Voyage Fundraiser
The Henry B. King Medical Brigade hosts the Medical Brigade Bon Voyage Fundraiser at the River Rock Restaurant & Marina Bar on Route 70 in Brick from 1:30p.m. – 5 p.m. Donations of vitamins, clothing, hats and toys will also be appreciated. Call 732-245-3332 or click henrybkingparty.eventbrite.com for more information.

Saturday, January 14

Open House
The Exit 82 Theatre Company hosts an Open House at their new studio located at 34 Main Street in Toms River from 9 a.m. – noon. Click exit82theatre.com for more information.

Senior Softball League

The Berkeley Senior Softball League opens up their rosters to include any Ocean County resident who will be 55 or older in 2017. The league is a competitive league with games played Tuesday and Thursday mornings April through August. Tryouts are held in late March and early April. Applications are available at leaguelineup.com/berkeyeyssl or by calling 732-350-7063.

Saturday, March 4

Winter Dinner Dance
The James Volpe Foundation hosts their Winter Dinner Dance at the Knights of Columbus on Bartley Road in Jackson from 7 p.m. – 11 p.m. featuring dancing to DJ Nick Rocco. Click here for tickets and additional information.

Saturday, February 18

Plunge to Freeze Out Lupus

The Lupus Research Alliance holds their first ever Plunge to Freeze Out Lupus at the Asbury Park Convention Center starting with registration at 11 a.m. The goal of each Plunge is to help the Lupus Research Alliance further its mission to free the world of lupus by raising funds for innovative research. Click http://walk.lupusresearch.org/site/TR?fr_id=3990&pg=entry for more information.

Saturday, February 11

Dinner & Comedy Night

Sons of the American Legion Squadron 129 hosts a Dinner and Comedy Night at American Legion Post #129 on Church Road in Toms River starting at 6 p.m. featuring Seymour Swan and Erin McGuire. Click http://americanlegionpost129.webs.com/ or call 732-903-4386 for tickets and additional information.

Saturday, February 11

Valentine's Dinner & Comedy Show
Mystic Island American Legion Post #493 holds a Valentine's Dinner & Comedy Show at the Post on Radio Road in Little Egg Harbor starting at 5 p.m. Click http://www.nj-americanlegionpost493.org/ or call 732-903-4386 for tickets and more information.

Saturday, January 28

Comedy Night
Hometown Heroes hosts a Comedy Night at Pagano's Uva Ristorante & Wine Bar on Main Street in Bradley Beach starting at 7 p.m. featuring Andy Hayward, Doug Harpf and Mollile Sperduto. Click http://usahometownheroes.org/ or call 732-903-4386 for tickets and more information.

Saturday, January 21

Blood Drive
Boy Scout Troop #331, as part of Jonathan Polera's Eagle Scout project, hosts the Holmdel Saves Lives Community Blood Drive at the Holmdel Community Center on Crawfords Corner Road from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Click https://donate.cjbcblood.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/42713 or call 732-754-7556 for tickets and more information.

Sunday, February 5

Soup-er Bowl
The Sunrise Optimist Club of Freehold holds its Soup-er Bowl Fundraiser at the YMCA of Freehold on East Freehold Road in Freehold from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. Purchase quarts of soup or chili for your Super Bowl party to support youth activities. Call 732-446-8926 for more information.

Friday, January 20

Clean Water Celebration
Clean Water Action holds its Clean Water Celebration at Asbury Park Brewery located at 810 Sewell Avenue in Asbury Park from 6 p.m. – 10 p.m. Enjoy beer tastings, take a chance at a raffle to benefit the Rethink Disposable campaign to keep pollution and single use disposables (plastic and foam waste) out of NJ's waterways. Click http://www.cleanwater.org/cleanwater-raffle or call 732-963-9714 for tickets and more information.

Sunday, February 5

A Night Out to Tackle Pet Cancer
The Brodie Fund hosts A Night Out to Tackle Pet Cancer at the Surf BBQ in Rumson starting at 6 p.m. with the Super Bowl on multiple large screens, a buffet, prizes and more. The Brodie Fund raises money to offer financial assistance, through grants, to families who have pets fighting cancer. Click https://www.eventbrite.com/e/a-night-to-tackle-pet-cancer-tickets-30800075856 for tickets and more information.

Sunday, January 29

White Family Fundraiser
The Boathouse Bar & Grill on Main Street in Belmar hosts a fundraiser for the White Family of Sea Girt who lost their home, all their possessions and their dog in a fire on January 11. Click https://www.facebook.com/BoatBelmar/photos/pb.95142678565.-2207520000.1484576258./10154979484343566/?type=3&theater for more information.

Saturday, March 4

Comedy Show
Lacey Lightning Baseball **h**osts a Comedy Show on at Latitudes on Lacey Road in Forked River starting at 8 p.m. featuring Toms River comedian John Poveromo**.** Call 609-242-2648 for tickets and additional information.

Sunday, February 5

CPR/AED CourseFirst Aid & CPR, LLC hosts a fundraising CPR/AED Course for the Manalapan Twp. Community Center at 9 a.m. and noon. Click https://firstaid.enrollware.com/schedule or call 1-888-242-4259 for registration and more information.

Tax Prep Help
The FoodBank of Monmouth & Ocean Counties offers tax preparation help between January 28 and April 18 from IRS certified volunteers at various locations around the Jersey Shore to help ensure you file correctly to receive your Earned Income Tax Credit that could result in a refund check as high as 8,500 dollars. If you have a household income of less than 54,000 dollars with dependents you may qualify. To set up an appointment, just dial 2-1-1- or visit foodbankmoc.org.

Saturday, January 28

Charity Hockey Game
The NJ State PBA Hockey Team takes on the AC Guns & Hoses in a charity game to benefit injured

Toms River Police officer Brett Hansen at the Winding River Skating Center on Whitesville Road in Toms River starting at 8 p.m. Officer Hansen was severely injured in an off-duty accident on the Garden State Parkway and faces large medical bills in his recovery. Check their Facebook page for tickets and more information.

Saturday, February 5

All About Kids Fair
Toms River Macaroni Kid hosts their All About Kids Fair at the Cedar Grove Elementary School on Cedar Grove Road in Toms River from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. featuring shore area pre-schools as well as dance, karate and gymnastic schools along with children's vendors, free crafts and activities and more. Call 732-998-4382 or click http://tomsriver.macaronikid.com for more information.

Thursday, February 23

Community & Social Service Organizations Information Day
Ocean County College's Career, Employment & Counseling Services, the Office of Student Life and the Ocean County Partnership for Children present the Community & Social Service Organizations Information Day in the Larson Student Center on the Toms River campus from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Meet with a variety of Ocean County community and social organizations focusing on children's youth and adult services, mental health, substance abuse, homelessness and more. Call 732-255-0400 X2945 for more information.

Saturday, March 11

Casino Night
The Point Pleasant Memorial Middle School PTO hosts a Casino Night at the Spring Lake Manor on Route 71 in Spring Lake. Call 848-448-4899 for tickets and more information.

Saturday, January 28

Barn Paint Party
The Allaire Community Farm hosts a Barn Paint Party on Allaire Road in Wall starting at 6:30 p.m. and paint amongst the horses. Call 848-333-0806 for tickets and more information.

Thursday, March 16

Kitchen Wars
Lakewood High School's Chef's Club hosts Sodexo's Kitchen Wars in the Lakewood High School cafeteria starting at 5:30 p.m. to benefit student clubs. Sample a 3 course meal prepared by students.

Thursday, February 9

Valentine's Dinner & Gift Auction
All Fur Love Animal Rescue hosts their 6th annual Valentine's Dinner and Gift Auction at the Doubletree Hotel in Tinton Falls from 6 p.m. – 10 p.m. Click allfurlove.org for tickets and more information.

Friday, March 31

Casino Night
Dottie's House holds the Casino Night at the Eagle Ridge County Club in Lakewood from 6 p.m. – 10 p.m. Dotttie's House is a transitional housing facility designed to aid women and children who have survived domestic violence. Click Dottieshouse.org for tickets and more information.

Saturday, March 11

Fish or Chicken & Chips Dinner
The St. Barnegat Rosary Alter Society hosts a Fish or Chicken & Chips Dinner in Fr. Brennan Hall at the church on Woodland Road in Bayville starting at 5 p.m. Click http://www.stbarnabasbayville.com for tickets and more information.

Friday, February 3

National Wear Red Day
The American Heart Association holds its annual National Wear Red Day to show support for women with heart disease. Heart disease and stroke cause 1 in 3 deaths among women each year, killing approximately one woman every 80 seconds. 80 percent of cardiac and stroke events may be prevented with education and action. Click goredforwomen.org for more information.

Sunday, April 2

Bravo Amici
Autism Speaks NJ presents Bravo Amici at the Pollak Theratre at Monmouth University at 8 p.m. this special concert presentation held on World Autism Awareness Day will feature Geoff Sewell, founder of the classical crossover opera band Amici Forever and his cast of Broadway performers singing favorite pieces from well-known musicals, operas and popular music. Call 732-263-6889 for more information.

Saturday, April 1

Town Wide Flea Market
The Brick Township Marching Dragon Caravan holds a Town Wide Flea Market from 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. Call 848-333-4026 for more information and to reserve a spot.

Saturday, March 11

TechFestSeven
The Ocean County Vocational Technical School Audio Recording Program and The Performing Arts Academy presents TechFestSeven at the Brick Presbyterian Church in Brick starting at 2 p.m. TechFestSeven is a fund-raising music festival featuring New Jersey artists and aspiring high school students performing on two performance stages to benefit the Dennis Bourke Hopes & Dream Scholarship Fund for students interested in pursuing a career in the technical field. Students train throughout the year to perform tasks at the concert including stage and sound setups, mixing, lighting, and live recording. Click www.techfestmusic.com or call 732-300-3987 for more information.

Friday, March 10

The Central Regional PTA hosts their Dodgeball Tournament in the high school gym starting at 6 p.m. with school groups and community organizations invited to participate with a team of six players to benefit scholarships, school libraries and summer programs for special needs students. Call 609-709-0504 for more information.

Saturday, February 25 & Sunday, February 26

Ocean County Mall Expo
The Greater Toms River Chamber of Commerce holds their annual Ocean County Mall Expo Saturday, February 25 and Sunday, February 26 at the Ocean County Mall on Hooper Avenue in Toms River during regular mall hours. Click https://tomsriverchamber.com/chamber-calendar for more information.

Saturday, February 18

Southern Regional High School Fishing Club
The Southern Regional High School Fishing Club presents their Fishing Show in the Southern Regional Middle School cafeteria from 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. with new and used fishing gear and services along with Informational seminars with area experts. For more information call 609 597-9481 ext. 2120.

Saturday, March 18

Red, White and Bling
The New Jersey chapter of the American Red Cross presents their 34th annual Red, White and Bling gala at the Eagle Oaks Golf and Country Club in Farmingdale from 6 p.m. – 11 p.m. with live music, dinner, dancing and am auction. Click http://www.redcross.org/news/event/local/new-jersey/34th-Annual-Red-White-Bling-Gala or call 609-951-2118 for tickets and more information.

Sunday, April 2

Benefit for Brett Hansen
The Headliner in Neptune hosts a Benefit for Brett Hansen from 4 p.m. – 8 p.m. featuring live music from

Suspended Justice. Brett is a Toms River Police officer who was seriously injured in an off-duty accident on the Garden State Parkway and faces multiple surgeries as part of his recovery. Call 732-600-7476 for more information.

Ocean County Hunger Relief is collecting children's clothes, coats, & shoes (sizes infant to teen), book bags, and lunch boxes for needy children in Ocean County. Especially needed are baby items such as diapers, wipes, shampoo, baby wash, etc. The children receiving the donations are either very poor or homeless. Donations may be dropped off at the Hunger Relief office on North Main Street in Toms River. Call 732- 505-HELP or click ochungerrelief.org for more information.

Saturday, April 22

Flea Market and Food Trucks
The Taunton School of Howell hosts their 2nd annual Flea Market and Food Trucks at the school located on Taunton Drive in Howell from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. to raise money for PTA projects, such as cultural arts and playground equipment. Click their Facebook page for more information
https://www.facebook.com/TauntonFandF/

Sunday, February 26

Fishing Flea Market and Fishing Collectible Show
The Ocean Fire Company hosts their 22nd annual Fishing Flea Market and Fishing Collectible Show at the Antrim School on Niblick Street in Point Pleasant Beach from 8:30 a.m. -2:30 p.m. Call 732-966-7358 or click http://ofc1.org for more information.

Sunday, March 26

Penguin Plunge
The Regional Day School of Jackson holds their Penguin Plunge at Harry Wright Lake in Whiting starting at 1 p.m. The school is part of the Manchester Twp. School District, and caters to special needs students. Call 732- 928-1500 for more information.

Friday, February 24 & Saturday, February 25

The Addams Family
The Keansburg High School Drama Club presents The Addams Family, a musical version of the classic TV show on Friday, February 24 at 6:30 p.m. And Saturday, February 25 at 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. at Keansburg High School located at 140 Port Monmouth Road in Keansburg. Call 732- 787-2007 or click http://www.keansburg.k12.nj.us/Page/1341 for tickets and more information.

Wednesday, February 8

Pet Club
The Crestwood Village 6 Pet Club hold their February meeting at the Deerfield Hall Clubhouse at 6:30 p.m. with guest speaker Paul Smikovecus, of KrushK9 Dog Training. Call 732-575-2089 for more information

Saturday, March 25 and Sunday, March 26

East Percussion & Winds Championship

Winter Guard International hosts the East Percussion & Winds Championship at the Pine Belt Arena on the campus of Toms River High School North Saturday, March 25 and Sunday, March 26 featuring premier percussion and winds teams in the region. Click wgi.org for tickets and additional information.

Saturday, March 25

Indoor Yard Sale & Flea Market
Barnegat High School's Winter Guard hosts an Indoor Yard Sale & Flea Market in the high school cafeteria from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Call 609- 660-7510 or click http://bhs.barnegatschools.com/athletics/fall_athletics/color_guard for additional information and to rent a table.

Thursday, April 27

Hearts for Hope Casino Night
Hope Sheds Light hosts their Hearts for Hope Casino Night at the Eagle Ridge Golf Club in Lakewood from 6 p.m. – 10 p.m. The mission of Hope Sheds Light, Inc. is to raise awareness and educate individuals, families and the community about the disease of addiction and to provide hope and resources towards recovery. Click http://www.hopeshedslight.org/event/hearts-for-hope-casino-night/ for tickets and more information

Wednesday, May 3

Mental Health & Substance Abuse Treatment Provider Fair
NAMI Ocean County holds their Mental Health & Substance Abuse Treatment Provider Fair at the Toms River branch of the Ocean County Library system on Washington Street in Toms River from 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Call 732- 244-4401 for more information.

Sunday, March 26

Benefit Tea and Tampon Drive
NJ Period Project hosts their Benefit Tea and Tampon Drive at the Celtic Knot Fish and Chip (inside Cameron's Market) on Brick Boulevard in Brick from 2 p.m. – 5 p.m. Bring unopened boxes of pads or tampons to win prizes and more to benefit the HOPE Center of Toms River. Check

Saturday, April 29

Shop. Sell. Strut.
Autism New Jersey hosts their Shop.Sell.Strut event at Lake Terrace in Lakewood starting at 2 p.m. The event starts out with the opportunity to enjoy refreshments and live entertainment while selling or shopping for gently worn pageant, dance and cheer wardrobe followed by a couture fashion show featuring the latest runway trends from New Jersey boutiques. Check their Facebook page or call 848-992-3370 for tickets and more information.

Thursday, March 2

EarthShare Rocks
EarthShare New Jersey hosts their EarthShare Rocks concert at the legendary Stone Pony in Asbury Park with up-and-coming rockers from the Lake House Academy and other local musicians. Click https://www.facebook.com/shopsellstrut/ or call 609-989-1160 for tickets and more information.

Monday, March 6

Chef's Night Out
The Ocean County Foundation for Vocational Technical Education hosts their annual Chef's Night Out at the Pine Belt Arena on the campus of Toms River High School North from 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. Sample sweet and savory delicacies from dozens of area restaurants, caterers, bakeries, specialty stores and wine and beverage distributors. Click http://www.ocvtschefsnightout.org for tickets and more information.

Saturday, April 22

Comedy and Dinner
Warhorse SCUBA hosts A Night of Comedy and Dinner at Uncle Vinnie's Comedy Club in Point Pleasant from 4 p.m. -8 p.m. Call 855-943-4837 or click warhorsescuba.com for tickets and more information.

Saturday, April 1

Indoor Flea Market
The Forked River Presbyterian Church holds an Indoor Flea Market at the church on Main Street in Forked River from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Call 609-693-5624 for vending information.

Saturday, April 8

Fish & Chips Dinner
The Forked River Presbyterian Church holds a Fish & Chips Dinner at the church on Main Street in

Forked River with seatings at 4:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. prepared by Thistle. Call 609-693-5624 for tickets and additional information.

Saturday, February 18

Team Hansen Charity Game
Toms River Police face off against Camden County Police in a charity hockey game to benefit Toms River police officer Brett Hansen at the Winding River Skating Center in Toms River starting at 7 p.m. Officer Hansen was severely injured in an off-duty accident on the Garden State Parkway and faces expensive medical expenses in his recovery . Call Toms River Police at 732-349-0150 for more information.

Wednesday, March 15

Open House
American Legion Memorial Post #348 of Brick hosts an Open House at the headquarters located at 822 Mantaloking Road starting at 4 p.m. Call 732-228-2873 for more information.

Wednesday, February 22

Red Bank Vet Fest
The Red Bank All Stars host Red Bank Vet Fest at the Red Bank Elks Lodge on Lone Star Lane in Red Bank starting at 6 p.m. featuring Strumberry Pie, Johnny Hathaway, Santa Ray and more area musicians. The Downtown All-Stars of Red Bank LLC is a collective of local musicians and performing artists raising both funds and awareness for charities and worthy causes using the power of music. The concert is a release party for the All Stars compilation CD, Magic on the Nave sink, click redbankallstars.com or call 732-792-6584 for tickets and more information.

Monday, March 27 – Friday, March 3

Bring Change for Brett Hansen
TD Bank locations in Toms River, Point Pleasant and Brick will accept donations for Toms River police officer Brett Hansen who was severely injured in an off-duty accident on the Garden State Parkway and faces a long recovery. Donations will go towards his extensive medical bills. TD Bank will also make a contribution towards Officer Hansen's recovery. Participating branches are: 1101 Hooper Ave in Toms River 4000 Route 37 East in Seaside Heights 849 Fischer Blvd in Toms River 2292 Hooper Ave in Brick 2338 Lakewood Rd in Toms River 10 Mule Rd in Toms River 3301 Bridge Ave in Point Pleasant. Call 732-267-3789 or click http://www.tdbringchange.com/state/new-jersey/5814/ for more information.

Saturday, May 6

AmpUp! Walk/Run to End Bladder Cancer
The Bladder Cancer Advocacy Network holds their AmpUp! Walk/Run to End Bladder Cancer on Main Street in Bradley Beach starting at 1 p.m. to increase bladder cancer awareness, support those living with this disease, and raise funds to find a cure. Click http://www.ampupbcan.org or call 888—901-2226 for registration and more information.

Saturday, February 25

Soup's On
Jackson VFW 4703 hosts their Soup's On event at their post home located at 54 Magnolia Drive in

Jackson from 4 p.m. – 7 p.m. Try a variety of homemade soups and some will be available for purchase. Call 732-905-0141 for more information.

Friday, March 10

Kids vs. Cops
Point Pleasant PBA #158 holds their Kids vs. Cops basketball game at Memorial Middle School on Laura Herbert Drive starting at 7 p.m. The 8th grade middle school basketball teams take on Point Pleasant police officers in a game to benefit the class. A group of students from Pt. Pleasant called the Challengers, who are mentally and physically challenged students will play before and during the half time. Call 732-814-1847 for tickets and additional information.

Saturday, March 11

Ocean County St. Patrick's Day Parade
The Ocean County St. Patrick's Day Parade steps off at noon on Ocean Avenue in Seaside Heights. Click http://www.ocstpatricksdayparade.com/#! for additional information.

Sunday, March 5

Belmar/Lake Como St. Patrick's Day Parade
The Belmar/Lake Como St. Patrick's Day Parade begins at 12:30 p.m. on Main Street in Belmar. Click http://www.belmarparade.com/ for more information.

Sunday, March 12

Asbury Park St. Patrick's Day Parade
The fourth annual Asbury Park St. Patrick's Day Parade steps off at 1 p.m. at 5th Avenue and Ocean Avenue. Click http://asburyparkstpatricksparade.com/ for more information.

Saturday, February 25

Childhood Cancer Benefit
Tommy's Tavern & Tap on Ocean Avenue in Sea Bright hosts a Childhood Cancer Benefit for is Zéa Joli starting at 2 p.m. Zéa was diagnosed with Stage IV Neuroblastoma Cancer at 3 months old and continues medical treatment at Sloan Kettering and in Baltimore. Call 732-831-5044 or click https://www.facebook.com/pg/zeajoli/about for more information.

Thursday, February 23 – Saturday, February 25

Spamalot
Jackson Liberty High School presents the musical Spamalot at the school Thursday at 6:30 p.m., Friday at 7 p.m. and Saturday at 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Click http://www.jacksonsd.org/site/default.aspx?PageType=3&DomainID=16&ModuleInstanceID=12846&Vi

ewID=6446EE88-D30C-497E-9316-3F8874B3E108&RenderLoc=0&FlexDataID=9987&PageID=25 for tickets and more information.

Thursday, March 9

Narcan Seminar
The RWJBarnabas Health Behavioral Health Center located on Route in Toms River presents information and training session about Narcan in the dining room starting at 6 p.m. Pre-registration is required by calling 856-225-0505.

Saturday, February 25 & Sunday, February 26

Great Food for a Great Cause
all locations of the Turning Point restaurants hold their 8th annual Great Food for a Great Cause fundraiser to benefit the Kortney Rose Foundation during regular business hours on Saturday, February 25 & Sunday, February 26. Guests at The Turning Point who donate a minimum of $25 to KRF on either of those two days will receive in return a Turning Point gift card good for two entrées during the month of March. The Kortney Rose Foundation raises funds for pediatric brain tumor research for the Children's Brain Tumor Tissue Consortium at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP). The Turning Point locations on the Jersey Shore include Brick, Holmdel, Little Silver, Long Branch, Manalapan and Sea Girt.

Sunday, March 19

Heather's Cancer Fundraiser
The River Rock Restaurant and Marina Bar on Route 70 in Brick hosts Heather's Cancer Fundraiser to assist Heather, a 37-year-old mother of two diagnosed with aggressive breast cancer.

Saturday, April 1

Comedy Fundraiser
The Beach Haven Volunteer Fire Company hosts a Comedy Fundraiser at their firehouse on Bay Avenue in Beach Haven starting at 6 p.m. Call 732-903-4386 or click http://www.beachhavenfire.com/ for tickets and more information.

Thursday, March 16

Laughs for Life

Monmouth County Referral Group hosts Laughs for Life, an evening of comedy and networking at the Salt Creek Grille on Bingham Ave in Rumson starting at 6 p.m. to benefit the NJ Sharing and Family Options Agency featuring Doug Karpf and Mollie Sperduto. Click MonmouthCountyReferrals.com for

tickets and more information.

Saturday, March 18

Dinner & Comedy Show
The New Egypt Volunteer Fire Company hosts their annual Dinner and Comedy Show at the firehouse on Main Street in New Egypt featuring Rich Caruccui, the steamroller of comedy. Click newegyptfire.com or call 732-903-4386 for tickets and more information.

Saturday, March 11

Dream It Be It Career Support for Girls Conference
Soroptimist International Toms River Area hosts their Dream It Be It Career Support for Girls Conference at the Toms River branch of the Ocean County Library from 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. that will provide professional role models, career education, tools, and resources that will empower and help girls with obtaining their academic and professional goals. Call 732-504-5941 or click https://soroptimist-tomsriverarea.org/dream for more information.

Saturday, March 25

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Ocean County Gala
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Ocean County hosts their Gala at the Eagle Ridge Golf Club in Lakewood from 6 p.m. – 11 p.m. Click http://www.bbbsoc.org or call 732-505-2017 for tickets and more information.

Sunday, April 23

Oceanport Color Run
The Maple Place Middle School of Oceanport hosts the Oceanport Color Run at Blackberry Bay Park in Oceanport starting at 9 a.m. an untimed 2.8 Mile fun run for all ages and fitness abilities. Along the route, participants pass through vibrant color zones, making it a "colorful experience. Call 732-331-6060 for more information.

Thursday, March 9 – Saturday, March 11

Bring It On: The Musical
The Toms River High School Nautical Star Theatre Company presents *Bring It On: The Musical* Thursday, March 9 – Saturday, March 11 at 7 p.m. each night at the school on Old Freehold Road. This musical follows Campbell, an average teenager at Truman High School, whose only dream is to be captain of her cheerleading squad. Click https://trnhs.booktix.com/ or call 732-505-5705 for tickets and more information.

Wednesday, March 29

Special Education Resources Fair
The Brick Township School District presents their Special Education Resources Fair at Brick Township High School on Chambers Bridge Road from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. Meet agencies offering resources to students with special needs. Click brickschools.org for more information.

Sunday, May 21

Monmouth & Ocean County Take Steps Walk
The New Jersey chapter of the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation holds their Monmouth & Ocean County Take Steps Walk at Bradley Park in Asbury Park starting at 9 a.m. The Walk is a family-friendly fundraising and walk event where patients, loved ones, friends, and supporters empower and inspire each other to fight against Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis. Click http://online.ccfa.org/site/TR?fr_id=6797&pg=entry or call 732-786-9960 for registration and more information.

Thursday, March 2 – Saturday, March 4

1776
The Toms River Theatre Guild presents *1776* at Toms River High School South Thursday, March 2 – Saturday, March 4 at 7 p.m. each night. Call 732- 505-5735 or click http://www.trschools.com for tickets and more information.

Saturday, March 4

Golden Gloves Boxing
Brick PAL hosts the third night of Golden Gloves Boxing at Brick Memorial High School starting at 7 p.m. Click brickpal.org or call 732-477-0144 for tickets and more information.

Tuesday, March 14 & Wednesday, March 15

Flavor of Freehold
DowntownFreehold.com holds their Flavor of Freehold event on Tuesday, March 14 & Wednesday, March 15 from 5:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. each night. Sample menu items from restaurants in downtown Freehold as part of their Irish Week celebration. Check their Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/downtownfreehold/photos/a.395116323478.176087.256859693478/10154394596483479/?type=3&theater for more information.

Sunday, March 12

Belmar Restaurant Tour
The 9th annual Belmar Restaurant Tour offers the chance to sample menu items from many Belmar restaurants from 11:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Click http://shop.visitbelmarnj.com/9th-Annual-Belmar-Restaurant-Tour-Advance-Ticket-Rest-Tour-03-12-2017.htm for tickets and additional information including a list of participating restaurants.

Saturday, March 11

Guinness Run - St. Patrick's Day Parade Fundraiser
The Highlands Business Partnership presents their 4th annual Guinness Run - St. Patrick's Day Parade Fundraiser starting at Bars Landing Restaurant located at 2 Bay Avenue in Highlands where contestants will fill their cup and race to Miller Street and back to the finish line at Bahrs. The runner with the most liquid in their cup at the end of the race will win the Guinness Run! The post run Pub Crawl follows from 3 p.m. 5 p.m. Click highlandsnj.com or call 732-291-4713 to register and for more information.

Friday, March 24

FoodBank Humanitarian Gala
The Foodbank of Monmouth & Ocean counties holds their Humanitarian Gala, There's No Place Like the FoodBank, at the Navesink Country Club in Middletown starting at 6 p.m. honoring Rena Levine Levy and Steven Levy from the WindMill Restaurants and members of United Teletech Financial for their support. For tickets and sponsorship opportunities click foodbankmoc.org.

Monday, March 20

Hometown Heroin: A Townsquare Tonight Hall
Townsquare Media hosts a Hometown Heroin, a town hall session lawmakers and law enforcement officials about the opiate epidemic on the Jersey Shore at the Jay & Linda Grunin Center for the Arts at Ocean County College in Toms River starting at 7 p.m. **Click wobm.com for more information.**

Sheriff Youth Week
The Monmouth County Sheriff's Office holds their Sheriff Youth Week July 10-14 for Monmouth County high school students to explore interests in law enforcement through police academy-style training, physical fitness and instructional sessions. Recruits are taught by municipal, county, state and federal law enforcement agencies. Call 732-431-6400 ext. 1110 or click monmouthsheriff.org for more information.

Sunday, March 26

Benefit For Jaxson Laing
The Point Pleasant Elks hosts a Benefit or Jaxson Laing at their headquarters on Arnold Avenue in Point

Pleasant from noon til 5 p.m. featuring a pasta dinner and live music from Guys with Beards. Call 732-740-4908 for tickets and more information.

Sunday, April 9

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny
The Glendola Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary holds their Breakfast with the Easter Bunny at the fire company on Belmar Boulevard in Wall from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Call 732-681-6435 for tickets and more information.

Saturday, April 29

Gift Auction
The Point Pleasant Beach Rotary holds their annual Gift Auction at the Brick VFW on Adamston Road in Brick from 6 p.m. – 10 p.m. Call 973-699-7989 for tickets and more information.

Saturday, April 1

Cornhole Benefit
The New Point Fire Company hosts the McFadden Madness Cornhole Benefit at the firehouse on Carr Ave in Keansburg to benefit Manny McFadden starting at 1 p.m. Call 732-621-0511 for team registration and for more information.

Saturday, April 29

Brewing Awareness for Autism
The Autism MVP Foundation holds their their second annual Brewing Awareness for Autism event at the Beach Haus Brewery in Belmar live music and more, Click autismmvp.org for tickets and more information.

Sunday, April 30

Friends of Southern Ocean County Animal Shelter
Angel and Jules for Others presents their 2nd annual benefit to support the Friends of Southern Ocean County Animal Shelter at the Captain's Inn on East Lacey Rd in Forked River from noon until 4 p.m. Call 609-693-3351 for more information.

Saturday, March 18

Young Adult Job Fair
The Monmouth County Division of Workforce Development holds a Young Adult Job Fair for at the Salvation Army on Asbury Avenue from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. for those seeking employment age 16-24. Employers scheduled to attend include Six Flags Great Adventure, Quick Chek, the Monmouth County Park System and more. Call 732-683-8850 X6511 for more information.

Saturday, May 6

Seaside Walk to Defeat ALS
The Greater Philadelphia chapters of the ALS Association holds their annual Seaside Walk to Defeat ALS along the boardwalk in Seaside Heights starting at Hiering Avenue from 9 a.m. – noon. Click http://www.kintera.org/faf/home/default.asp?ievent=1167699 for registration and more information.

Sunday, March 26

Easter Event
The Beauty Foundation for Cancer Care holds their Easter Event at the headquarters of I'm Possible on Route 537 in Colts Neck from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. including breakfast, photos with the Easter Bunny, am Easter egg hunt and more. Click beautyfoundationnj.com for tickets and more information.

Saturday, May 13

NAMI New Jersey Walk
NAMI New Jersey holds its NAMI New Jersey Walk on the boardwalk in Seaside Park at N Street starting with check-in at 9 a.m. Click http://www.namiwalks.org/newjersey or call 732-940-0991 for more information.

Saturday, April 1

Spaghetti Dinner
The Triboro First Aid Squad hosts a Spaghetti Dinner at their squad house on J Street in Seaside Park starting at 5 p.m. Call 732-830-3236 for tickets and additional information.

Saturday, April 29

Night At The Races
The Toms River East Little League holds their Night at the Races fundraiser at the East Dover First Aid Building on Garfield Avenue in Toms River starting at 6 p.m. Click http://www.tomsrivereast.com or call 908-600-8673 for tickets and more information.

Saturday, May 6

Mega Gift Auction
CONTACT of Ocean & Monmouth Counties holds its 32nd annual Mega Gift Auction and spring preview fashion show at the Ramada Inn on Route 70 at Route 9 in Toms River from 10:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. For tickets and more information call 732-240-6104.

Thursday, March 23

Young International Ambassadors' Program
Neptune Public Schools hosts the launch of the Neptune Young International Ambassadors' Program at the Neptune Senior Center on Route 33 in Neptune at 6:30 p.m.

Monday, March 27

Book Launch
Girl Scout Troop 170 debuts their new book Happily Ever A'fur'ter! Finding 'Fur' Ever Homes for Shelter Animals at the Toms River branch of the Ocean County Library starting at 6:30 p.m. the troop works to earn their Silver Award. Click theoceancountylibrary.org for more information.

Saturday, May 13

Hollywood
Rescue Ridge hosts its annual Hollywoof event at Bar Anticipation in Lake Como from 2 p.m. – 7 p.m. Click rescueridge.com or call 646-248-4335 for tickets and additional information.

Friday, June 16

Lincroft Eats Food Truck Fest
The Lincroft Village Green Association holds its 2nd annual Lincroft Eats Food Truck Fest at Brookdale Community College from 3 p.m. – 8 p.m. with food trucks, craft vendors, live music, classic car show, and kids' activities. Click http://lincroftvillagegreen.org or call 908- 601-1166 for more information.

Saturday, April 1

Dinner Show & Gift Auction

Point Pleasant UNICO hosts their Dinner Show & Gift Auction at the White Sands Hotel Ballroom on Ocean Avenue in Point Pleasant Beach starting at 6 p.m. featuring live entertainment from Bob Kilik of The Happenings to benefit scholarships and St Jude's/Jimmy V Cancer Research. Call 732-899-0095 for tickets and more information.

Saturday, April 22

Flea Market
Lanoka Harbor Fire Company #1 holds a Flea Market at Firehouse Hall on Warren Avenue in Lanoka Harbor starting at 9 a.m. Call 609-693-3602 or click http://lhfd61.com for more information.

Saturday, May 13

NJ State History Fair
The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection holds its annual Spirit of the Jerseys State History Fair takes place at Monmouth Battlefield State Park from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m., rain or shine. Five centuries of NJ's history will be represented by exhibitors and reenactors. The centennial of the first World War will be commemorated with several special programs. Click http://www.njhistoryfair.org/ for more information.

Saturday, April 8

Glow in the Dark Egg Hunt / Food Truck & Vendor Fair
Toms River Macaroni Kid holds their Glow in the Dark Egg Hunt / Food Truck & Vendor Fair at the Cedar Grove Elementary School on Cedar Grove Rd. in Toms River from 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. with over 50 vendors, games, music, train ride, magic show and more. Click http://www.tomsriver.macaronikid.com for more information.

Friday, March 31

Police Unity Tour Fundraiser
Team Ocean County hosts a Police Unity Tour Fundraiser at Hemingway's on the Boulevard in Seaside Heights starting at 6 p.m. Call 732-713-4556 for tickets and additional information.

Thursday, April 6

Chefs Extraordinaire
The Common Ground Grief Center hosts their Chefs Extraordinaire at the Berkeley Oceanfront Hotel in Asbury Park from 6 p.m. – 10 p.m. Enjoy outstanding cuisine prepared by Monmouth and Ocean County's finest chefs and savor wines at Common Ground honors some of its biggest supporters. Click https://www.commongroundgriefcenter.org/news/ for tickets and more information.

Tuesday, April 4

Pocketbook Bingo
Dream Factory of the Jersey Shore holds their Pocketbook Bingo fundraiser at the St. Denis School gym on Virginia Ave in Manasquan starting at 6 p.m. Must be 18 years old to attend and play. Click http://www.dreamfactoryinc.org/jerseyshore or call 732-894-3995 for tickets and more information.

Friday, April 28

Spaghetti Dinner
Zonta of Southern Ocean County holds a Spaghetti Dinner at Tuckerton Masonic Lodge 4 located at 122 Church Street in Tuckerton from 4 p.m. – 7 p.m. to benefit Coastal Volunteers in Medicine**.** Click http://www.zonta.org/ or call 609-296-8768 for tickets and more information.

Friday, March 31

Totally Awesome 80s Game Show Night
Brandon's Elves hosts a Totally Awesome 80s Game Show Night at the Brick Township First Aid Building on Aurora Drive in Brick starting at 7 p.m. Enjoy an evening of 80s music, costume contest, karaoke and an interactive game show hosted by the Riddlesbrood Touring Theatre Company. Call 732-237-3125 or click http://brandonselves.org for more information.

Sunday, April 2

Run for Hope 5K Run or Walk
The Christopher Morrissey Foundation holds their Run for Hope 5K Run or Walk at the Brick Reservoir

located at Herbertsville and Sally Ike Roads in Brick starting with registration at 8:30 a.m. Click http://www.christopherjmorrisseyfoundation.org or call 848- 241-3993 for more information.

Friday, May 5 – Sunday, May 7

In The Heights
Lakewood High School's drama department presents the musical *In The Heights* at the high school located on Somerset Avenue in Lakewood Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m. Call 908-489-8809 for tickets and more information.

Saturday, April 1

Howell Health Fair
The Monmouth County Health Department presents the Howell Health Fair at the Southard School on Kent Road in Howell from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. with free blood pressure screening, eye screening and bone density, cholesterol and hearing screenings, summer safety information and more. Call 732-431-7456 X 5814 for more information.