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FREEHOLDER NEWS



Freeholder Proclamation

[Impaired Driving Prevention Month](#)

In related news...

[Drive Safe & Sober!](#)

Sheriff Provenzano is stressing the importance of safe and sober driving during the upcoming holiday travel season.



WHAT'S NEW

[BOBO Fridays](#)

The next "Buy One, Bring One" food collection will be held tomorrow, Dec. 15.

[Recycling Calendar](#)

The Recycling Center will be closed Monday, Dec. 25 for Christmas. Recycling pickup for residents of Bernards Township and certain developments and parts of Franklin Township – Society Hill I and II, Whitehall Manor and Beacon Hill at Somerset and surrounding areas – will be moved to Tuesday, Dec. 26.

Special Note: Due to the usually high volume of recyclables after the holiday, some recycling pickups scheduled in Somerset County the week of Dec. 25 may be delayed. Residents are asked to leave their recyclables at the curb. Remaining collections will be completed as soon as possible. The Recycling Division thanks residents for their patience and understanding.

[County Holidays](#)

Somerset County offices will be closed Dec. 25 and 26 for the Christmas holiday. However recycling will be collected on Dec. 26.

[Outstanding Women Awards](#)

Reminder! Nominations are due by Dec. 31, 2017 for next year's awards program.

[Human Services Newsletter](#)

Check out the [December issue!](#)

[Donations to K-9 Unit](#)

Citations were awarded in recognition of generous donations made to the Sheriff's Office K-9 Unit.

[Donations for the Homeless](#)

The Community Development office is collecting personal-care items and clothing to be distributed in January to homeless individuals and families.

[2018 Recycling Schedule](#)

Check your mail for the [new county recycling schedule](#) and calendar stickers!

[Veteran Exemption](#)

A new Veteran Exemption takes effect next year. Qualified military veterans may be eligible for a \$3,000 exemption on their 2017 Income Tax return. All eligible veterans are encouraged to verify their veteran status with the New Jersey Division of Taxation ahead of time. Visit their website at <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/military/vetexemption.shtml>

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**Did You Know ...?** There will be another [free document-shredding program](#) Jan. 20 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Bernards Township Engineering Services Building.  
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SENIOR CORNER

[December Programs](#)

The county's [six county-operated senior centers](#) are closed today (Dec. 14) for an in-service day. They also will be closed Dec. 25 and 26 for the Christmas holiday.

LIBRARY SYSTEM

[Museum Pass Program](#)

Explore SCLSNJ's popular Museum Pass program!

PARKS & RECREATION

[Festival of Trees](#)

The 40th Festival of Trees continues through Dec. 29, except Dec. 24-26.

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