Dear Friend,

As summer ends, and we begin to think about the many wonders of the fall season, we look forward to enjoying the beautiful foliage, holidays, and family fun. You should never be at a loss for something to do with all the events and activities that have become staples of the season in Essex County.

Our Department of Parks and Recreation is ready for an exciting fall season! One of the most popular events is always the Strut Your Mutl Canine Costume Parades and Contests. Pet enthusiasts come out with the most creative and imaginative costumes for their canines. The parades, held at the Brookdale Dog Park, Branch Brook Dog Park and Grover Cleveland Park, are lots of fun and we encourage you to participate or just come cheer them on, even if you don’t own a pet.

Essex County is one of the most diverse areas and is well-known for our thriving arts communities. As you peruse this magazine, you’ll read about the exciting happenings at the many museums, historic sites, art galleries, libraries and theaters. We also encourage you to walk the trails or visit one of the parks in our historic Parks System and witness the leaves change colors. Weekends are the perfect time to spend quality time with friends and family and you can do so right here in Essex County!

Together we will continue Putting Essex County First.

Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr.
Essex County Executive

NEW BALD EAGLE HABITAT
Soars to New Heights at Essex County Turtle Back Zoo

Background on the new habitat

In 2021, the Essex County Turtle Back Zoo opened a newly renovated and updated Bald Eagle exhibit. The previous exhibit had sustained severe tree damage during a hurricane in 2019 and was in need of extensive repairs. Essex County Executive Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr. took this as an opportunity to reaffirm Turtle Back Zoo’s commitment to highlight this iconic species.

“We are pleased to open a new and improved Bald Eagle Exhibit in our Wild New Jersey area. This will enhance our visitors’ experience and provide them with a better viewing area to see the bald eagles,” DiVincenzo said. “Welcoming Freedom as the newest member of our animal family displays the important role that zoos have in conservation efforts and raising awareness about the dangers that threaten wildlife and the environment,” he added.

The new habitat provides ample vertical space reaching 25 feet above ground, with central perching on an American sycamore, which allows the birds to perch at various heights.

A stream and deep pool create an area for cooling off and bathing and a new indoor den area allows animal care staff access to the eagles for training and husbandry purposes. Native landscaping allows our guests to visualize the birds in what would be their natural habitat.

Bald Eagle Conservation Success

The Bald Eagle (Haliaeetus leucocephalus) is found throughout North America and is known as the national emblem of the United States. A Federally managed species, the Bald eagle is a true conservation success story, due in no small part to the Endangered Species Act of 1973. In 1967, hunting and pesticides were decimating populations and only a little over 400 eagle nests remained. The Bald Eagle was identified as a protected endangered species. Forty years later, the eagle population had grown to almost 30,000 nests, and the Bald Eagle was delisted and protections were removed! Just this year, the annual U.S. Fish and Wildlife (USFW) census noted 71,400 eagle nesting pairs just in the lower 48 states. Zoological facilities along with rescue and rehabilitation centers assist in conservation efforts by housing Bald Eagles that are no longer able to live in the wild and educating our guests about their ecology and conservation story. Bald Eagles are regulated by USFW and a special permit is needed in order to have the privilege of housing them.

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For vaccination information, visit EssexCOVID.org or call 973-877-8456.
 Meet our Residents

Bald Eagles

Adak is estimated to be around 30 years old and she has been at TBZ since 1997. As with all Bald Eagles housed at zoological facilities, Adak is non-releasable. She was found in Alaska and had sustained an injury on her left wing that prevents her from being able to fly.

Freedom is our 5-year-old male with a truly remarkable story. In 2016, he was found dangling by his foot, entangled in a rope 75 feet up in a tree. The eagle had been spotted two and half days prior and was presumed dead. However, a US Army veteran sharp shooter insisted the bird was still alive and worked with the Department of Natural Resources to shoot through the rope and free him! Although, the damage to his talons was too severe for release, Freedom retained his ability to fly. Freedom came to Turtle Back from The Raptor Center at University of Minnesota in February 2021. We are thrilled at TBZ to be able to offer him a habitat where he may also spot the newest residents of this habitat, our two yellow-bellied sliders. This species is indigenous to North America and would frequently be found in the same riparian areas as the Bald Eagles that call the South Mountain Reservation home.

Yellow-Bellied Sliders

The new exhibit has also allowed us to show off another local species, turtles of course! If you look closely, you may also spot the newest residents to this habitat, our two yellow-bellied sliders. This species is indigenous to North America and would frequently be found in the same riparian areas where Bald Eagles reside.

Visitors to our Bald Eagle exhibit will most often find Adak on a low lying perch and Freedom high above on one of the many sycamore branches. The turtles enjoy the large pond or shade under the trees. If you happen to take a stroll around the nearby Orange reservoir, there is a good chance you may spot some yellow-bellied sliders out there as well. Thanks to our nation’s dedication and decades of conservation efforts, you may even catch a rare glimpse of the wild bald eagles that call the South Mountain Reservation home.

This September marks the 20th anniversary of the tragic events of September 11, 2001. Thousands came to Essex County Eagle Rock Reservation on that day to watch in shared disbelief from its hilltop with a view of the New York City skyline and the World Trade Center. Soon, the wall overlooking the city was lined with candles, flowers, photographs, prayers, and poems left as a collective spontaneous memorial. In the weeks and months following, many more came to mourn, pray, and reflect on the lives lost during that fateful day. It quickly became clear that this special spot should serve as a permanent memorial in remembrance of September 11th and every one of the lives affected by the tragedy in Essex County and beyond.

After the raising of hundreds of thousands of dollars in funds for the project through the creation of the Eagle Rock World Trade Center Monument Fund Inc. by Essex County Executive Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr. who was serving as President of the Board of Freeholders at the time, as well as grants from New Jersey Green Acres and the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service, Patrick Morelli was hired to sculpt and design the memorial. The Essex County 9/11 Memorial at Eagle Rock Reservation, as well as the region’s permanent memorial at the site of the World Trade Center, is comprised of several elements, each reflecting different aspects of the loss and sacrifices of that day. The Wall of Remembrance, completed and dedicated on September 14, 2003, is a 120-foot granite wall engraved with the 3,000 names of individuals who lost their lives at the World Trade Center, Pentagon, and the four downed airline flights. Commemorating the lives of the New York City Police Officers, Port Authority of New York Police Officers, and Emergency Services Personnel who sacrificed their lives in the service of others is a bronze replica of a NYPD cap placed on a short granite pedestal. The 4 x 7-foot bronze Rock of Remembrance lists the 57 individuals from Essex County who lost their lives during the attacks. Freedom, an 8-foot bronze eagle, is depicted flying in the direction of the site of the Twin Towers. Also facing the World Trade Center, Remembrance and Rebirth is a bronze figure lifting an illuminated lantern which serves to symbolize both a solemn vigilance and a desire to rebuild and renew. Perhaps one of the most striking and somber features of the memorial is Gabriella, a life-size bronze sculpture of a young girl reflecting on the over 1,000 children who lost close family members. To the left of Gabriella, a bronze model of an FDNY helmet with “FDNY 343” engraved on its front sits atop a short granite pedestal and honors the 343 New York City firefighters who lost their lives in the line of duty on September 11, 2001. A Memorial Grove features seven dogwood trees which each represent the locations and airplane flights involved in the tragedy and are each marked with a bronze plaque. These include the World Trade Center North and South Towers, the Pentagon, American Airlines Flights 11 and 77, and United Airlines Flights 175 and 93. In 2004, the Essex County Eagle Rock September 11th Memorial was awarded the New Jersey Recreation and Park Association's Excellence in Design Award at its annual meeting. Over the years, several additions have been added to the memorial to highlight other heroes, beautify its area, and supplement its features. Dedicated on September 11, 2009, the Flight Crew Memorial is comprised of a granite pedestal on which the names of the 33 flight crew lost are engraved as well as a bronze pilot’s cap with pilot’s wings. Also unveiled on that day was a beautification project which involved the construction of a hand cap accessible Victorian-style gazebo across from the memorial, as well as general improvements such as enhanced landscaping, new trees, and modernized walking paths.

On the 10th Anniversary of September 11th, two more features were added: an artifact from the World Trade Center and an EMS Jennifer. The 7,400-pound steel and concrete artifact, donated by the World Trade Center Foundation, is located to the left of “Remembrance and Rebirth.” A bronze plaque commemorates the Emergency Medical Technicians who heroically searched the rubble at Ground Zero during recovery efforts. The most recent addition to the Essex County Eagle Rock September 11th Memorial, the Rescue Dog Statue, was dedicated on August 17, 2016. The 4-foot bronze statue was sculpted by artist Jay Warren from Oregon, and memorializes the 350 search and rescue dogs’ valiant efforts to locate survivors in the rubble.

The Essex County 9/11 Memorial at Eagle Rock Reservation
ESSEX COUNTY SPOTLIGHT

Seasonal events sponsored by the Essex County Department of Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Affairs

ESSEX COUNTY CODEY ARENA
560 Northfield Avenue
West Orange / 973.731.3828
www.essexcounty.org/codeyarena

Barnabas Health Cardiac & Concussion Screening @ Codey Arena (Rear Lobby) Saturday, September 18
RAU Barnabas Health and the Morahan Health Assessment Center for Athletes will provide free cardiac screenings for ages 6 and up and free concussion screenings for ages 5 and up. Email teamlink@rwjbh.org to register

NJ Daredevils Special Needs Frankenfest Hockey Tournament Saturday, October 9 and Sunday, October 10
9am to 4pm

ESSEX REMEMBERS

A Solemn Ceremony Commemorating the 20th Anniversary of the 9/11 Tragedy
Saturday, September 11th
8am
Essex County Eagle Rock Reservation, Essex County Eagle Rock, 9/11 Memorial, Eagle Rock Avenue, West Orange.
Chamber music at the site until 2pm
973.621.4400

Synchronized Skating Championship Competition Saturday, November 13
8am-5pm
Learn to Skate Group Lessons – 8 weeks
Classes offered to skaters ages 3½ to adult on Friday, Saturday or Sunday
• Snow Ploew (Ages 3½ to 6)
• Basic 1-6
• Freestyle
• Synchronized Skating (NEW this Fall)
• Theatre on Ice (NEW this Fall)
• Therapeutic Skating/Special Olympics (NEW this Fall)

Public Session Skating
Members of the public ages 2½ to adult are invited to skate at Codey Arena. Sessions are Friday, Saturday & Sunday
Adults - $9 / Children 6 & under - $7 / Skate Rentals - $5
Please call for specific hours

Birthday Parties
Reserve a party room to celebrate your child’s birthday on the ice
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• Parties held during public sessions
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2021 Essex County Senior Citizens

Juried Art Show
September 3 through September 30
Essex County Robert J. O’Toole Center
199 Fairview Avenue, Cedar Grove

SMORES n’ MORE NIGHT HIKE
Wednesday, September 15 & Tuesday, October 26
6 to 7:30pm
For families. Come out to build a campfire and practice fundamental fire skills in a safe and controlled environment. Once we get our fire burning, we’ll roast marshmallows and make s’mores. All ages welcome. Advanced registration and minimum number of participants are required.

FROG POND ADVENTURE OUTDOOR CLASS
Thursday, September 23
5:30 to 7pm
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ESSEX COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER
621-B Eagle Rock Avenue, Roseland / 973.228.8776
www.essexcountynj.org/environmentalcenter

FAMILY Dinosaur DISCOVERY FIELD TRIP
Tuesday, September 28
4:30 to 6:30pm
For families with young children ages 4 and up. Meet at the end of Locust Avenue in Roseland and hike 1 mile total to explore this National Historic Landmark that is home to three-toed Grallator dinosaur tracks from the late Triassic age. Using clay, we’ll make and take an impression of an existing track and leave the site undisturbed for future paleontological study. Advanced registration and minimum number of participants are required.

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Essex County Dept. of Parks & Rose Squared Productions, Inc. present

Rose Squared Art Show at Essex County Anderson Park
274 Bellevue Avenue, Upper Montclair • September 18-19 • Sat. & Sun., 10am-5pm

Rose Squared Art Show at Essex County Brookdale Park
473 Watchung Avenue, Bloomfield; Grove Avenue, Montclair • October 16-17 • Sat. & Sun., 10am-5pm

Each show features juried fine artists and fine craft artisans. For information, directions and a list of participating exhibitors visit: RoseSquared.com

For more information, tickets, or to participate in this Essex County program, please call 973.228.8776. We accept Mastercard, Visa, American Express, and Discover.

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interpretation of what the dinosaurs may have looked like with artist Ivan Bratko. Participants can schedule a follow-up visit to paint and fire their ceramic art at a later date (additional $20). Advanced registration and minimum number of participants are required; call 973.228.8776. $80 per child.

FOREST FRIENDS CAMP Thursday, November 7 9:30am to 3:30pm For students in grades K through 3. Learn about New Jersey’s forest friends by way of exploration, games, and craft activities with a naturalist educator as your guide. Come dressed for the weather. Advance registration and minimum number of participants are required; call 973.228.8776. $75 for one day or $125 for both.

HOT CHOCOLATE HIKE Thursday, November 18 6 to 7:30pm For families. Join us for a hike around the Environmental Center forest, build a winter campfire, sip hot cocoa and make smores. Dress warmly. Advance registration and minimum number of participants required; call 973.228.8776. $30 per family (up to two adults and two children) or $10 per child; $12 per adult.

OWL PELLET DISSECTION Wednesday, November 27 6 to 7:30pm For children ages 7-13. Learn about our beautiful and mysterious silent hunters of the night. Discover what they are eating as we discuss predators, hunters of the night. Discover what they are eating as we discuss predators. $10 per family ($5 per adult and $5 per child). Advance registration is required; call 973.228.8776.

ESSEX COUNTY TURTLE BACK ZOO 560 Northfield Avenue West Orange 973-731-5800 / www.essexcounty.nj.org/turtlebackzoo

EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS Select weekends throughout the Fall 10am and 11am: TBZ’s Early Childhood programs encourage family learning and foster early environmental awareness. We invite young children to discover the natural world through gently structured play, art, stories, animal visits, and more. Age restrictions apply; pre-registration required. Zoo admission is not included with registration. Hatchlings (6 to 24 months), Tots (ages 2 & 3), and Explorers (ages 4 & 5) are in-person programs. $25-$30 per participant.

Strut Your Mutt Pet Costume Parade Join us for a fun fall celebration of costumes and cuteness. Parade participants can walk their pets in costume! Advance registration is required; call 973.228.8776. $10 for one child or $20 per couple.

WONDERS OF THE WILD Most Saturdays throughout the Fall 1pm: Turtle Back Zoo is an amazing classroom! Our Wonders of the Wild program is an opportunity to participate in supplementary science and nature-themed programs and projects that facilitate scientific literacy and life-long environmental stewardship. Available to students ages 6-12. The programs include a visit to the South Mountain Reservation, Reservoir, or Zoo as weather permits. $30.

SOPHISTICATED SCIENCE SEMINARS Select days throughout the Fall Times vary Sophisticated Science Seminars are conservation programs geared toward older audiences (ages 13+). Seminars run throughout the year and span topics such as animal anatomy, habitats and conservation, animal careers, and more. These programs are perfect for those interested in animals, science, conservation, and nature who want to learn something new in a relaxed atmosphere. $30.

FAMILY NATURE CLUB: NATURE ADVENTURES Select Sundays throughout the Fall Times vary depending on the date Nature play is playing WITH nature, not just IN nature and is a great way to interact with nature no matter your experience level or play style. Run, climb, build, dig, or even just sit and experience the sounds, smells, and sights of the outdoors. Nature Adventurers visit different locations near Essex County Turtle Back Zoo, zoo admission not included. $10.

FALL MINI-CAMPS September 16, October 11, November 4 & 5 9am to 4pm Join us at Turtle Back Zoo for some wild fun! To further our mission of conservation, education, and stewardship, campers will be introduced to the extraordinary world of animals, nature, and science. Children will enjoy age-appropriate camp activities that include games, teacher-led lessons, behind-the-scenes visits, up-close animal encounters, hands-on science projects, and fun crafts. $90 per day.

CONSERVATION BREAKFAST PROGRAMS Select weekends this Fall 8:30am to 10am Turtle Back Zoo’s Conservation Breakfasts are morning programs that feature one of our animals as the educational focus, highlighting the conservation challenges facing that species while providing tools and actions you can do at home to positively affect its wild relatives. Program includes zoo admission (for non-members) and breakfast. Check the website for details.

OTHER PROGRAMS AT THE ZOO ORCloser to You In-person and Virtual Programs, Outreachs, and More Dates and Times Scheduled at Need Join us for a dynamic and fun educational program that is focused on animals, conservation, and stewardship. We offer a variety of programs that satisfy many scientific benchmarks while also being engaging and informative. Programs can be adapted to age and ability; many can be adapted for outreachs to your school, senior center, etc.

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Breakfasts are morning programs and minimum number of participants are required; call 973.228.8776. $75 per family (up to two adults and two children) or $10 per child; $12 per adult.

ESSEX COUNTY RIKER HILL ART PARK 276 Beaufort Avenue Livingston FINE AND DECORATIVE ARTS OPEN STUDIOS & SALE Saturday, November 6 and Sunday, November 7 11am to 5pm Artists in residence work in a variety of disciplines, including clay, jewelry, glass blowing, painting, sculpture, printmaking and photography. Visit a variety of different art studios, talk to the artists, purchase artwork, and stop by the gallery to view a compilation exhibition. Free admission but artwork is for sale.

ESSEX COUNTY PRESBY MEMORIAL IRIS GARDENS 474 Upper Mountain Avenue, Upper Montclair 973.268.3500 www.essexcounty.org GARDENS AGLOW Friday, October 29 from 6 to 9pm Rain date: Saturday, October 30 Essex County Presby Memorial Gardens Upper Mountain Avenue, Upper Montclair Come out and see our irises beds lined with “sweet” time. Also, swing by our train for a “Not-So-Scary” Train Ride! The Zoo will be closed from 2:30-4pm in preparation for this event.

$3 Zoological Society members, $5 non-members.

Sunday, October 31 4 to 8pm Come trick-or-treating at the Zoo. With candy stations throughout the grounds, everyone is sure to have a “sweet” time. Also, swing by our train for a “Not-So-Scary” Train Ride! The Zoo will be closed from 2:30-4pm in preparation for this event.

HOLIDAY LIGHTS Spectacular AT ESSEX COUNTY TURTLE BACK ZOO Starting in November www.turtlebackzoo.com

Safe Howl-O-Ween
The following events are offered for the public’s enjoyment by Essex County-based arts and history organizations. The Essex County Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs takes no responsibility for the content, accuracy, dates or times and whether or not non-County sponsored events listed in this magazine are held as scheduled.

**ESSEX COUNTY CULTURAL EXHIBITIONS**

**LISA PALOMBO STUDIOS**
55 Mountain Avenue, Caldwell
973.364.0280 / www.lisapalombo.com

22nd Annual Holiday Open Studio
Flower Garden and Animalia collections
Saturday, November 20 and Sunday, November 21
Award-winning, nationally recognized artist Lisa Palombo opens her studio to the public. This year the studio will be showcasing a variety of Palombo’s new original and mixed media prints from her “Flower Garden” and “Animalia” collections, Saturday and Sunday 11am-5pm

**MONTCLAIR ART MUSEUM**
3 South Mountain Avenue, Montclair
973.746.5555
www.montclairartmuseum.org

Color Riot! How Color Changed Navajo Textiles
September 11 to January 2, 2022
Change has always been a hallmark of Navajo (Diné) textile design, with weavers’ individualism a running thread. With Diné perspectives and the technical mastery of weavers at the heart of Color Riot!, this exhibition, featuring 70 bold artworks from 1860-1930 and the present, celebrates the courage and vision to experiment.

Transformed: Objects Reimagined by American Artists
September 11 to January 8, 2023
Inspired by the note Jasper Johns wrote to himself in his sketchbook in 1964, this exhibition features more than 60 artworks from 1829 to the present in which artists take objects as their points of departure, transforming them to reflect their varied cultural backgrounds and viewpoints. This exhibition is organized thematically, as indicated on each object label, to represent these diverse perspectives.

**WEST ORANGE ARTS CENTER**
551 Valley Road, West Orange
973.325.0151 / www.woarts.org

The Power of IV
Art Exhibit of Emotion, Eurythmy, Vernacular and Subversion
Through September 11
The Power of IV: Emotion, Eurythmy, Vernacular and Subversion is a virtual online exhibit and an in-person gallery show featuring the work of four local women artists, Elisabeth Antoine, Carol Black-Lemon (co-curator), Lisa Lackey and Ann Vollum (co-curator). The four artists, two working in fiber and two in paint, come together in this eclectic exhibit that celebrates life and the threads that connect us. The viewer is presented with a novel way of looking at the world and is given a new realization of the beauty in everyday encounters, experiences, and objects.

"The Angel and The Machine" by Elisabeth Antoine
"Wonder" by Lisa Palombo
"A Still Life" by Lisa Lackey
"Wild at Heart" by Ann Vollum
September 8: Cancel Culture: Censorship or Accountability. This panel discussion looks at all sides of cancel culture. This program is part of the series “Keeping It Real: Conversations About Race, Gender and Class.” Newark Public Library, 5 Washington Street, Newark. 6pm. Free. 973.733.4791. http://npl.org

September 11: “Dance on the Lawn” Festival. More than nine NY/NJ dance companies will participate in the eighth annual outdoor dance festival. “Dance on the Lawn” brings together professional and emerging companies, plus students of dance from around New Jersey, in a community setting. St. Luke’s Episcopal Church front lawn, 73 South Fullerton Avenue, Montclair. 3-5pm. Free.

September 15 through December 31: Annual Latino Celebration. The annual Latino Celebration consists of a number of events over nearly two months. The launch features keynote speaker Juan G., Latino journalist, and the Newark Latino Film Festival.

October 21 to November 14: The Return of live theater with this spine-tingling tunes, seasonal sketches, and even an audience costume contest. Come join us for an evening of spook-tacular family fun! The Burgdorf Center for the Performing Arts, 10 Durand Road, Maplewood. $7.10.


November 4: Philip Roth Lecture. This year’s lecture features Ayad Akhtar, author of the novel Homeland Elegies and American Dervish. As a playwright, he has written Junk, Disgraced and The Invisible Hand. He is a winner of the Pulitzer Prize for Drama. Newark Public Library, 5 Washington Street, Newark. 6-8pm. Free. 973.733.4791. http://npl.org

October 7 to 16: The Frontera Project. A border is a limit, but it also suggests possibility — a chance to approach someone on the other side. The Frontera Project was co-created by Mexican and US artists to explore the experience of our southern border. Centering stories from the San Diego/Tijuana region, this interactive piece fuses theater, music and play to explore the varied experiences of people on both sides of the frontier. Luna Stage, 555 Valley Road, West Orange. 8pm and 2pm. Pay-What-You-Wish ($40 suggested). 973.395.5551. www.lunastage.org

October 23: Olmsted Historic Walking Tour of Essex County Anderson Park. Before Anderson Park existed, three houses and a fire station sat on the park property. Find out where they went and other surprising stories about how this Olmsted-designed Essex County Park came to be created over a century ago, how it shaped Upper Montclair, and how it led to the formation of other Montclair parks. Also hear about efforts to rejuvenate the landscape of this park, on the National Register of Historic Places. Handicap accessible. Essex County Anderson Park, 274 Bellevue Avenue, Upper Montclair. Meet at the boulder at the park’s northeast entrance 10-11:30am. Free. Check Friends of Anderson Park Facebook page for weather updates. No rain date. 973.477.7207. FriendsOfAndersonPark.com

October 24: RWJBarnabas Health Careing With the Devils 5K Run & Virtual Run and Wellness Walk. RWJBarnabas Health and the New Jersey Devils have teamed up to honor RWJ Barnabas Health’s 35,000 healthcare workers who provide essential care to our communities. The 2021 event includes six social participation options. All proceeds from the event support our Healthcare Heroes in their efforts to protect and build healthier communities. Essex County South Mountain Recreation Complex. 973.396.3457. theatre.njit.edu
Thursday, October 7 at 12 pm
Virtual Event
Rita DiMatteo presents a history of Llewellyn Park as seen through historic postcards from Llewellyn Park, “created by artist Bill Westheimer and edited by Rita DiMatteo. This collection of vintage postcards depicts the origins and development of Llewellyn Park, one of America’s first planned suburbs, located in West Orange. Among the topics covered will be the design of the community and its landscape in the 1900s, neighborhoods, life in Llewellyn Park, and its significance as home to Thomas Edison and other influential residents, as well as efforts to preserve the integrity of its common parkland and historic structures. Zoom Meeting https://zoom.us/j/929383 1655377?pwd=TQGhZ3JpUWUvYj9VD 3M2PjIkU0Jz29 By phone: 646.558.8656 Meeting ID: 929 3816 8537 Passcode: 98369

Adult Hearth Cooking Classes Friday, October 22 from 4:30- 8:30pm
Try your hand cooking on a hearth the way your ancestors did at the Montclair History Center! You’ll learn how to manage the fire, use a “spider” and bake in a Dutch oven. The class will work together to cook a meal using historic “receipts” (aka recipes) and enjoy time around the hearth fire. All participants will receive a free copy of Thirteen Colonies Cookbook. Classes take place in the hearth kitchen of the Crane House & Historic YWCA. Includes all supplies. BYOB. $75 general admission, $65 members. Register online. Registration closes on September 30. Thrones at 3 pm.

“Remember the Ladies!” Women of the American Revolution October 26 from 7-6 pm
Virtual Event
Join us as we hear the stories of the Founding Females of America. Joel Farkas, National Park Service volunteer docent at Washington’s Headquarters in Morristown and a regular presenter on various topics related to the American Revolution, will explore the oft untold stories of the women of the American Revolution. This talk coincides with our new house tour. Women of the House. Learn about the women of the American Revolution with this virtual talk and then pick back up in 1796 with Fanny Persson Crane, Phoebe Crane, Alice Hope Foster, Hortense Tait, and the other women who lived, played, and worked in the Crane House & Historic YWCA. Registration is required by October 26 at 6 pm. $10. Purchase tickets online. Participants will receive the Zoom information upon registration.

NEWARK PUBLIC LIBRARY
5 Washington Street, Newark 973.733.4791 / http://npl.org
Philip Roth Personal Library Ongoing
The Newark-born American writer Philip Roth, one of America’s most influential and honored writers, left his entire personal library of approximately 7,000 volumes to the Newark Public Library. Visit the space to see current exhibits and explore the books — biographies, history, fiction – that influenced his work.

ESSEX COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
20 Roseland Avenue, Roseland 973.226.8636
www.roselandpubliclibrary.org
September 10: Decorate Your Own Folder. For Roseland residents ages 5 and up. Attendees must be masked. 4:30-5:30 pm. RSVP on the library website.

Monday Matinee September 13 at 1 p.m. Featured movie is “Noomadland.” Limited to 20 guests, who must RSVP on the library website. Masks must be worn by unvaccinated guests. No snacks will be served, but guests are welcome to bring their own.

Fall Tai Chi Chih September 14, 21, 28; October 5, 12, 19, 26; November 9, 16, 23, 30 10:30-11:30 am Led by certified instructor Linda Sencar. All levels welcome, limited to 20 participants. $10 for all 10 classes. Registration is required; download the registration form from the library website or pick up a form at the circulation desk. Unvaccinated participants must wear masks.

Stories & Songs September 14, 21, 28; October 5, 12, 19, 26; November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 10:30 am For children ages 0-4 and their caregivers. Limited to 15 children who must RSVP for each child (even if from the same family) on the library website. Masks required.

STEAM Story Time September 16, 23, 30; October 7, 14, 21, 28; November 4, 11, 18 10:30 am For children ages 2-6 and their caregivers. Limited to 15 children, who must RSVP for EACH child (even if from the same family) on the library website. Story and corresponding STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, or math) project. Masks required.

Teen Advisory Group Lock In September 17 from 7-10pm Help plan events for the library and then enjoy games, a scavenger hunt, and some treats. For Roseland residents in grades 6-12. RSVP on the library website. Unvaccinated participants must wear masks.

Teen Mystery Box September 23 Pick up from 9 am to 8 pm For Roseland residents in grades 6-12. Reserve your own mystery box of surprises. This month’s theme is Back to School. RSVP on the library website.

Monday Matinee September 27 at 1 p.m. Featured movie is “Onasis.” Limited to 20 guests who must RSVP on the library website. Masks must be worn by unvaccinated guests. No snacks will be served, but guests are welcome to bring their own.
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