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Welcome to the 2017-2018 issue of Sussex County magazine. Yearly, this publication features articles about people and places that make our corner of northwestern New Jersey not only special, but sometimes, like nowhere else on earth.

Take the tiny wildflower, Hammond’s Yellow Spring Beauty, found only in a few secluded patches of wet meadow in Stillwater Township. Or the fluorescent minerals featured on our magazine’s cover, unearthed at the Sterling Hill Mine in Ogdensburg (pages 32-35). Both are nowhere else on the planet.

Some of our area’s special people made their way here from around the globe. Emil Perona worked in a London hotel kitchen at the age of 14, progressed to vaudeville stages all over the world and ended up on a 260 acre dairy farm in Andover Township. This year that farm, now Perona Farms, celebrates its 100th anniversary as a culinary landmark (pages 40-41).

Part of the Chamber’s mission is to make sure the rest of the world knows about our area’s one of a kind charms and attractions. I spend a week annually at an international travel show promoting Sussex County as tourism is an important component of our region’s economy. But even our neighbors in New York and Pennsylvania don’t always know what lies here besides the hugely popular NJ State Fair. We’re working to change that by operating a Visitor Center at the annual Fair in partnership with the County of Sussex (page 17).

I hope you enjoy our publication and see that Sussex County is a great place to live, work and play.

Sincerely,

Tammie Horsfield
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One benefit of belonging to the Chamber of Commerce is the relationships business people build with each other. Members typically turn to each other first when sourcing the products or services they need to make their companies and organizations successful and strong. Shout Outs are an opportunity for company representatives to thank and recognize fellow Chamber members they’ve worked with.

Alice Vigiletti, Best Way Printing (Newton, NJ) to Friendly’s (Newton, NJ)

Friendly’s has been terrific in hosting the Central Sussex Chamber Council meetings. The food is yummy besides being a great value! If you haven’t tried Friendly’s in a while - it’s time to come back! The wait staff is also very accommodating to everyone’s needs.

Laddey, Clark & Ryan (Sparta, NJ) to Chris Reese, Sussex Rural Electric Cooperative (Sussex, NJ)

Laddey, Clark & Ryan would like to recognize Chris Reese of Sussex Rural Electric Cooperative on his appointment as the new President and CEO of the Cooperative, recognizing his years of service and dedication to the Cooperative’s membership and mission.

“If you haven’t tried Friendly’s in a while — it’s time to come back!”
—ALICE VIGILETTI
Each year the Sussex County Chamber of Commerce celebrates area companies, organizations and community leaders at its annual “Quality in Business, Quality in Living” awards dinner. This year’s red carpet event, held at the Lake Mohawk Country Club in Sparta, NJ, honored 21 winners in 17 categories.

Winning Quality in Business Awards were two long time Sussex County companies: CKW, an area company providing accounting, tax and consulting services to entrepreneurs and their companies for over 40 years, and Space Farms Zoo and Museum which recently celebrated its 90th anniversary.

Awarded to Bela and Alice Szigethy was the Entrepreneurial Success Award for their multiple commercial and culinary enterprises around Lake Hopatcong including Alice's Restaurant, The Windlass, Lake Hopatcong Cruises, Main Lake Market, Lake Hopatcong (mini) Golf Club and Lake Hopatcong Taxi. The companies work in concert to carry out the family’s mission of “providing a spectrum of day-trip excursions for all lake enthusiasts to discover the natural beauty, historic charm and vibrant culture of Lake Hopatcong.”

The prestigious Chairman’s Award, given to an individual or organization that has made an exemplary and/or extraordinary contribution to the county in the past year, went to the Sussex County C.L.E.A.R. program with a stated mission to form a collaborative network of professionals in the community who will facilitate medical intervention, improved access to treatment and recovery support for those struggling with drug addiction.

Businesses and individuals honored with Quality in Business, Quality in Living awards.

**Additional Award Winners:**

- **BEAUTIFICATION AWARD**
  - Lake Mohawk Country Club

- **BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP AWARD**
  - Mountain Creek Resort & Special Olympics NJ

- **CHAIRMAN’S AWARD**
  - Sussex County C.L.E.A.R. Program

- **COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD**
  - Franklin Mutual Insurance Company

- **CUSTOMER SERVICE AWARD**
  - The Chatterbox Drive-In

- **DAVID C. HERZENBERG AWARD**
  - Barn Hill Care Center Homestead Rehabilitation and Health Care Center

- **ENTREPRENEURIAL SUCCESS AWARD**
  - Bela and Alice Szigethy

- **HUMANITARIAN AWARD**
  - Sussex County Fire Departments and EMS

- **LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**
  - The Nicholson Family

- **PHILANTHROPIC AWARD**
  - The 200 Club of Sussex County Mohawk House & Nielsen Auto Group

- **QUALITY IN BUSINESS AWARD**
  - CKW

- **QUALITY IN LIVING AWARD**
  - Birth Haven, Inc.

- **TOURISM AWARD**
  - Wild West City

- **VOLUNTEER AWARD**
  - Robert Charlton

- **WELLNESS AWARD**
  - Sparta Cancer Center

- **WOMEN IN BUSINESS AWARD**
  - Rhona Beadle

- **YOUNG PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR AWARD**
  - Tor Andersen (Andersen Farms) Anastasia Negri (Friendly’s of Newton and Wantage)
The Center for Prevention and Counseling (Newton, NJ), Newton Police Department (Newton, NJ), and the Sussex County Prosecutors Office (Newton, NJ) to the New Jersey Herald (Newton, NJ)

We all want to give a big shout out to the New Jersey Herald for its incredible support of the Sussex County C.L.E.A.R. program. Its powerful PSA is assisting individuals and family members to find treatment and recovery as they see the ads in the New Jersey Herald with all the contact details needed to call for support!

Don Hall, The Chatterbox Drive In (Augusta, NJ) to Wm. H. Wilson Septic Tank Service (Sparta, NJ)

Great service, always on time and VERY professional!

Stephanie Koza Austin, The Chocolate Goat (Lafayette, NJ) to Solar Tire & Automotive Service (Lafayette, NJ)

We have been going to Solar Tire for over 5 years now and have always been impressed with their honesty and ability to accommodate our needs. They have helped us out with anything from an oil change to new brakes and everything in between. I always know that Joe will give us the best price and service! They are a fantastic local business that we will always stand behind.

Lauren Fraser, Fraser Cerra LLC, Attorneys at Law (Sparta, NJ) to Signs Etc. LLC (Sparta, NJ)

Thank you Signs Etc. LLC for our beautiful signs!

Sarah Shave, Vice President - Human Resources, Franklin Mutual Insurance Group (Branchville, NJ) to Beckie Sajban, Painted Grape (Hardyston, NJ)

Shout out to Becky and her team at Painted Grape. We had a group outing there in March and she did an amazing job incorporating our vision into the art work we completed. We all had a great time!

Jackie Espinoza, JCP&L a First Energy Corp (Newton, NJ) to Steve Scro, Mohawk House (Sparta, NJ)

Shout Out to Steve Scro from the Mohawk House for opening his doors to JCP&L in a time of need when a microburst went through Lake Mohawk causing severe damage to our equipment, resulting in numerous power outages. Steve’s building in Lake Mohawk served as a staging site that helped JCP&L manage the storm restoration efforts in an efficient manner. Not only did Steve turn over the keys to his building in the middle of the night, he delivered food throughout the day for our staff. Steve and Rachael Scro are outstanding individuals that go above and beyond for the community. And an additional Shout Out to Sparta Police Department for assisting in this effort.

Linda R. Zulus, Holiday Inn Express (Newton, NJ) to the Newton Police Department (Newton, NJ)

We don’t need them often, but when we do they are always there. They are professional and yet friendly. A big shout out to Officer Morales! He has on more than one occasion shown how big his heart is ….he is so caring and compassionate. Thanks to all for your hard work

Laddey, Clark & Ryan (Sparta, NJ) to Police Chief Neil Spidaletto (Sparta Township)

Congratulations to Police Chief Neil Spidaletto of the Sparta Township Police Department on his appointment as Chief of the Sparta Township Police Department and for his years of service and dedication to the residents of Sparta Township and Sussex County.

The Chamber Young Professionals Committee to the following businesses: Milk Street Distillery (Branchville, NJ), Mohawk House (Sparta, NJ), Krogh’s Restaurant & Brew Pub (Sparta, NJ), wheelHouse Kitchen + Bar (Augusta, NJ) and The Windlass (Lake Hopatcong, NJ).

Each venue hosted a monthly social event during the past year and all provided excellent service and specials to our members.
Meet Jeff. He’s a Lineman 1st Class and has been Energizing New Jersey since 2010.

Jeff’s friendly face is a welcome fixture for many residents of Sussex County. You might see him grabbing a morning coffee at Dunkin Donuts on Rt. 206 before heading off to work. They call him “the Powerman,” and his job is keeping the power on for local residents and businesses. Of course, those who know him well realize that his nickname also refers to his hobby: Jeff is an avid weightlifter who works out daily.

Jeff is proud to be part of your hometown energy team.
Chamber Happenings

Chamber Committees Bring Value to Members

Volunteers make an impact on their local business community

The Sussex County Chamber of Commerce relies on its committee volunteers to guide initiatives and assist in the development of programs that offer value to its members and the community. These volunteers work behind the scenes on projects that range from raising funds for the Chamber’s annual scholarships, to creating an “ASK HR” initiative, to organizing networking events for young professionals beginning their careers.

Committees benefit both the Chamber and the volunteers that serve on them; volunteers get the opportunity to make an impact in their local business community, strengthen their relationships with fellow members, and build their networks. The Chamber benefits by having qualified volunteers lending their talents and expertise to assist with its events and activities.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE
The Education Committee works to provide a well-rounded, prepared work force for local businesses.

Committee Highlights
- Coordinates the Chamber’s annual scholarship program. To date the Chamber has awarded over $175,000 to area graduates.
- Initiated collaboration between business and education to support the introduction of local students to area companies through work-based learning experiences and interactions with the business community including internship opportunities, job shadowing, company tours and work study.

ENERGY RESOURCE AND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
The Energy Conservation Committee provides information and guidance about conserving energy and taking advantage of State and Federal programs regarding efficiency.

Committee Highlights
- Provided energy conservation tips to members each month.

GOVERNMENT/ LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
The Government & Legislative Committee, in partnership with NJBIA Employer Legislative Committee (ELC) works to give members the opportunity to meet local legislators and learn about issues affecting the business community.
Committee Highlights
• Recent meetings saw visits by Congressman Rodney Frelinghuysen, State Senator Steve Oroho and Sussex County Freeholder candidates Ailish Hambel, Daniel Perez and Herbert Yardley.
• Reviews current legislation affecting the business community, recommends Chamber programs/forums to deal with specific legislative actions, communicates concerns of the County business community to area legislators, and alerts members to pending or possible legislation which could affect County businesses.

HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
The Human Resources Development Committee educates and serves as a resource to Chamber members, with and without human resources departments. The Committee provides educational seminars on employment-related issues and advocates on behalf of human resources areas of interest to the business community.

Committee Highlights
• Conducts monthly HR Round Tables on timely issues at the Chamber’s monthly business breakfast. Recent topics included cyber security and a 3-part series on employee recruitment, retention and engagement.
• Implemented the “ASK HR” program which encourages members to email their questions (to AskHR@sussexcountychamber.org) regarding human resource issues to the committee for answers.

SUSSEX COUNTY TRAILS PARTNERSHIP
The Sussex County Trails Partnership is committed to establishing a network of parks, trails and recreational areas promoting health and physical activity and responsible use of resources.

Committee Highlights
• Organized trail clean ups utilizing Chamber members and community volunteers.
• Coordinated the installation of new wayfinder signs (an essential part of trail development).
• Provided input for the new edition of the Sussex County trail map.
• Facilitated an agreement with the State Parks to assist with cleaning and clearing new trails. The committee is expected to assist with the development of new trails in Andover in the near future.

TOURISM COMMITTEE
The Tourism Committee works to promote and encourage collaborative marketing efforts between area destinations. Committee members share individual destination marketing materials and assist in planning tours for media and tour operators.

Committee Highlights
• Offered numerous presentations and interactive activities at the Sussex County Visitor Center at the NJ State Fair.
• Holds Brochure Swaps annually to encourage awareness and cross promotion between attractions.

WELLNESS COMMITTEE
The Wellness Committee is for wellness-related businesses interested in promoting the physical, emotional and social well-being of our business community through education.

Committee Highlights
• Provides wellness tips to members each month.
• Writes a quarterly wellness email newsletter for Chamber members.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS COMMITTEE
The Sussex County Young Professionals Committee is committed to developing young/junior professionals through business meetings, mentoring opportunities and educational programs, creating networking opportunities for young professionals (forty years of age and under) to build relationships and reach their full potential.

Committee Highlights
• Hosted Lunch and Learn programs with Brian Lytwynec, President, Franklin Mutual Insurance Company and Joseph A. DiPaolo, President, Newton Medical Center. Lytwynec discussed “A Great Customer Journey” and DiPaolo spoke on “Steps to Leadership.”
• Coordinated networking events including a tour of the Milk Street Distillery (Branchville, NJ) and an Oktoberfest celebration at the St.Moritz Grill and Bar (Sparta, NJ).
In Sussex County, we’re fortunate to have a wealth of attractions like the NJ State Fair that bring guests to our corner of New Jersey from all over the tri-state area. Since tourism is an economic driver for the region, it makes sense to reach (and teach!) fairgoers about the area’s wonders and hidden gems hoping they’ll return for a repeat visit (or two or three) to enjoy other attractions. It was with this goal in mind that the Sussex Skylands Visitor Center at the NJ State Fair was created through a partnership between the County of Sussex and the Sussex County Chamber of Commerce.

The first thing any visitor wants to know before venturing somewhere is “what’s there to do there?” That’s where the visitor center comes in. By design, it’s meant to help people find out about the area’s attractions, restaurants, events and other fun stuff, while uncovering lesser-known local favorites along the way too. Sure, they came here to have fun at the fair, but there’s more to see and do in Sussex County. As much as we’d like to think that people have heard about all of the great things we have to offer like Mountain Creek, or the Sussex County Miners, or the Franklin Mineral Museum, more often than not people who come here haven’t, and that’s where the visitor center comes in.

Located in the County Building at the fairgrounds and open every day during fair hours, the center is staffed with knowledgeable representatives ready to offer suggestions on where to eat, what to see, and where to stay in Sussex County. There are free maps and brochures plus daily activities and presentations. Depending on when you visit, you might see a live snake show from Space Farms Zoo and Museum or enjoy some whip cracking cowboy rope magic with the folks from Wild West City.

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There’s a work of art painted on the north side of the Hamburg Plumbing Supply building on Route 23 in Hamburg. You don’t expect it. Driving along, lost in your thoughts, it takes you by surprise, the mural of a beautiful woman with the emerald green eyes and the full pink lips. She’s on her side, with a landscape behind her that’s hard to discern – is it ocean waves, clouds, smoke? Is that a bird by her head? Before you can tell for sure, you have passed it. Yet you continue to think of her, trying to figure how she got there.

The mural is the brainchild of Stefanie Jasper, a local entrepreneur and creator of the Mountain Murals and Music festival. She enlisted the creative energy of Yuhmi Collective, an urban contemporary art duo, to paint “Daydreamer” at Hamburg Plumbing. It’s one of six murals in the area; the others are located on Jasper’s property nearby, the site of her annual festival and company, Get Juiced.

“Motivated by my experience photographing the exciting art movement in Wynwood, Miami to create a powerful art presence in Sussex County, I decided to start close to home,” said Jasper. “Hamburg Plumbing Supply is around the corner from my home and had a perfect wall that would be visible in a big way. I hoped that this mural would be a catalyst for the community to start thinking about incorporating public artwork into the landscape.”

Murals bring art into public spaces, exposing more people to works than
might typically visit a museum. This type of art has an official name that Jasper references: it’s referred to as public art. According to Americans for the Arts, the nation’s leading nonprofit organization for advancing the arts and arts education, it includes murals, sculpture, memorials, integrated architectural or landscape architectural work, community art, digital new media, and even performances and festivals.

Coming to life on the side of an abandoned silo in Lafayette Township is another mural. Iconic images including a red barn, a locomotive, and the flowing Paulins Kill, which runs through the down town, are painted on the 40 foot structure, paying homage to the area’s agricultural and early railroad roots. The township committee commissioned local artist Art Frisbee for the project asking him to design and hand paint the silo depicting the town’s history dating back to the 1800s.

Lafayette Committee Member Richard Bruning explains that the project goals were three fold. “We decided to move forward with this project as a way of beautifying the town, encouraging business growth, and inspiring others along our stretch of Route 15 to care and maintain their properties.”

Jasper’s thinking is along the same lines too. “Together we can leverage the power of the arts, culture and creativity to serve our community’s interest while driving a broader agenda for change, growth and transformation in a way that also builds character, quality of life, and economy. Where this leads to is up to the community and how they choose to get involved.”

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PUBLIC ART

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Sussex County Community College, Newton, NJ

Sussex County’s 9/11 Memorial is located on the grounds of the college and is constructed with a beam from one of the twin towers. Small benches surround the structure inviting quiet contemplation.

High Point State Park, Sussex, NJ

The High Point Monument was built in honor of all war veterans and is at the highest elevation in New Jersey at 1,803 feet. Construction was started in 1928 and completed in 1930. At the top
LAFAYETTE, NJ. Abbey Glen Pet Memorial Park is home to an exclusive reproduction of the life sized Hachi-Kou and Professor Ueno statue unveiled in 2015 at the University of Tokyo’s Graduate School of Agricultural and Life Science in Japan.

Hachi-Kou is a Japanese icon, and his story is an important part of Japanese culture. Hachi-Kou, a beautiful and faithful Akita, was given to his owner, Professor Ueno, at just eight weeks old. Local residents always saw Hachi-Kou and Professor Ueno, who taught Agricultural Engineering at the University of Tokyo, together and walking side by side. Hachi-Kou accompanied his master to the Shibuya train station and returned in the evening to greet him for their walk home. Professor Ueno died suddenly in 1925 from a cerebral hemorrhage, but Hachi-Kou returned to the same spot in front of the train station waiting for his master each and every day for nearly 10 years, until his own death in 1935.

In 2015, on the anniversary of Professor Ueno’s death, a new statue depicting the dog and the professor embracing at the end of a long day was commissioned by the University of Tokyo, symbolically reuniting the pair after 90 years apart. The owners of Abbey Glen, brothers Derek and Kevin Cooke, were very moved by the story and inquired with the University of Tokyo about purchasing a replica for the pet cemetery grounds in Lafayette.

The meaning behind this statue aligns with Abbey Glen’s mission – to memorialize the unique and valued relationships that exist between man and animal.

Abby Glen hosted a dedication and unveiling ceremony for the statue on October 9, 2016, with special presenters Ambassador Reiichiro Takahashi, the Consul General of Japan in New York City, along with Mrs. Yumi McDonald, the author of “Reminiscence of Shibuya.” McDonald, served as the liaison for the project and played an enormous role in developing Abbey Glen’s relationship with the University of Tokyo.

The Hachi-Kou statue is located directly in front of the main administration building. Numerous other statues including a life size, running horse are located around the grounds of Abbey Glen, which is open to the public and includes a beautiful walking trail.

The Lake Mohawk Boardwalk in White Deer Plaza, Sparta, NJ

Overlooking Lake Mohawk in Sparta, NJ is a 1,300-pound sculpted wood statue of Princess White Deer, the enclave’s namesake, created by local artist Brett McClain. The statue’s custom-hammered copper bowl spilling water into the lake was hand-wrought by silver artisan Liza Nechamkin Glasser of Andover.

Peters Valley Craft Education Center, Layton, NJ

Take a free, self-guided studio tour of Peter’s Valley from May through September on Saturdays and Sundays from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. See if you can find the concrete mosaic sculptures created by students and Ricky Boscarno of Luna Park fame (hint: it’s outside the Greek Revival building). There’s also a traditional gallery onsite (Sally D. Francisco Gallery) located on the 2nd floor of the Center’s retail gallery, which hosts rotating, curated exhibits of fine craft. There is no charge for admission.
With the opening on November 28, 1872 of the original Dennis Library in Newton, the idea of a Sussex County library system was born. The building was funded through a gift of $25,000 from Mr. Alfred L. Dennis and from the contributions of seventy-eight subscribers who purchased a total of 201 shares of stock at $25/share.

It wouldn’t be until many years later, in May of 1942, that the first official Sussex County Library would open in one room of the Sussex County Hall of Records basement. That same year saw the purchase of the first book truck, a 1936 International, with a seven hundred book capacity. A few years later the library moved again, this time making its home in three rooms of the basement of the Sussex County Court House. The rest, as they say, is history. Over the next 75 years the library system would see a main campus erected on County owned land near The Homestead in Frankford Township.
and the addition of five branch libraries located in Franklin, Newton, Stanhope, Vernon and Wantage.

Today, the 2017 Sussex County Library System employs 60 employees, has 328,048 volumes, 59,000 patrons and is growing daily. The system recently received an award for Best Practice in Early Literacy from the New Jersey State Library.

“Libraries Transform” was the theme of the recent National Library Week. Observed each April by the American Library Association and libraries across the country, it celebrates the nation’s libraries and library workers for transforming lives through free access to technology, information literacy, diverse collections and opportunities for community engagement.

In a newsletter to its patrons, the Sussex County library speaks of transformation and reminds us that this is “certainly true of your local Sussex County Library System” and nodding to its 75 year history, says, “We’ve transformed ourselves from a collection of 8,000 books housed in the basement of the Sussex County Hall of Records into a network of six locations offering over 300,000 items plus public computer stations, WiFi access and a wide variety of programming for children and adults.”

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The library’s message continues explaining, “But transforming ourselves isn’t really the point. We help our patrons transform as well” and lists the ways in which the library encourages positive conversions in the lives of area residents:

- From fast food junkies to master chefs with cookbooks
- From couch potatoes to fabulous and fit with yoga groups, fitness books and exercise DVDs
- From monoglots to polyglots with language CDs and Rocket Languages
- From alone in the universe to members of a global community

The message ends with a quote from Maya Angelou who eloquently reminds us of the importance of libraries, making the celebration of Sussex County’s 75th anniversary all the more poignant:

“Information helps you to see that you’re not alone. That there’s somebody in Mississippi and somebody in Tokyo who all have wept, who’ve all longed and lost, who’ve all been happy. So the library helps you to see, not only that you are not alone, but that you’re not really any different from everyone else.”

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The Joseph T. Quinlan Bereavement Center moved to a new, permanent home on April 1, 2017 at 5 Plains Road in Augusta. Formerly located at 61 Spring Street in Newton, the new Bereavement Center serves as the central headquarters for the bereavement program, which also operates satellite centers at 214 Washington Street in Hackettstown and at the United Methodist Church on Ann Street in Milford, PA. The Bereavement Center, a not-for-profit agency, is the only one in the state that offers full bereavement and anticipatory grief services.

“We want to thank everyone who has helped to make this move possible,” said Cecelia Clayton, MPH, and Executive Director at Karen Ann Quinlan Hospice. “We’ve come a long way since the opening of the first bereavement center at the St. James Episcopal Church in Hackettstown. This move will enable us to further serve the growing need for bereavement counseling in our community,” she said.

Clayton, formerly Director of Bereavement, initiated many of the organization’s bereavement programs which are still in effect today. In 2000, realizing a need in the community for bereavement counseling and not wanting to limit these groups to only hospice families, she presented a proposal to the hospice Board of Directors to create the Joseph T. Quinlan Bereavement Center, named after Karen Ann Quinlan’s father, who along with his wife Julia were founders of the hospice. Joseph Quinlan died on December 7, 1996.

The Joseph T. Quinlan Bereavement Center, utilizing space offered to the hospice by St. James Episcopal Church, opened its doors on April 2, 2000 in Hackettstown, NJ. The opening of the Hackettstown office assured that bereavement programs would be available not only to hospice families, but to anyone in the Warren County community who was grieving a loss through death. Bereavement counseling was also offered at the hospice administrative offices located on 99 Sparta Avenue, before officially opening a second location of the Joseph T. Quinlan Bereavement Center at 61 Spring Street in 2011.
“We are very excited to start this new chapter, where we can offer our services in a beautiful and comforting setting,” said Diana Sebzda, MA, LPC, FT, and Director of Bereavement.

Services available at the Bereavement Center are completely funded by donations from the community and include individual grief counseling, Coping with Loss Support Groups, Children’s Art Bereavement Programs, Pet Loss Support Groups, workshops for school professionals, and workshops to teach facilitating your own support group. “We are proud to say that we never turn anyone away regardless of their ability to pay.” said Sebzda.

In 2016, the Bereavement Center at its Spring Street location provided individual counseling to more than 1,484 people with many more attending group support meetings. “We simply outgrew the Spring Street location,” explained Sebzda. “We needed additional private rooms for one-on-one counseling, a large conference room for workshop space, staff meetings and in-service seminars, smaller classrooms for webinars and staff training and a special room dedicated to families and play therapy.” Continuing, Sebzda added, “We are always developing new programs. A new facility with better visibility in the community, better parking, and a centralized location will help us to have meetings and events on the weekends and evenings, and attract more volunteers. We will continue to build upon the excellent programs that we currently offer.”

To date, the Bereavement Center has raised over 50% of the $350,000 needed to fund the new center with donations still being sought. Clayton acknowledges the community’s generosity saying, “We would like to thank everyone who has contributed to the campaign so far. Meeting our fundraising goal will ensure that we can continue to offer support groups, scholarships for children’s bereavement art programs and more in a safe, comfortable and caring environment.”

Those who wish to donate or have questions about the campaign can contact John Quinlan, Director of Foundation, at 973-383-0115 ext. 148 or visit the hospice website at KarenAnnQuinlanHospice.org/Capital.
Tamarack Park Trail opens to the public

Bryam Township, widely known as the Township of Lakes, is also known as the “Gateway to New Jersey Trails.” On Saturday, May 13, 2017, Byram Township officials bolstered that moniker by hosting the grand opening of the Township’s new recreational fields at Tamarack Park and the Tamarack Park Trail, which connects Byram Township’s greenways, established trails, and community focal points. Located at 10 Jones Lane, off of Route 206, the parking area for the fields at Tamarack Park provides a convenient access point for Byram’s network of trails.

“From the park trailhead, hikers can enjoy public trails extending east along the Tamarack Greenway to C.O. Johnson Park – the Township’s largest active recreational facility,” stated Charlie Kranz, Byram’s Recreation Committee Chairman. “Between Tamarack Park and C.O. Johnson Park, the public can explore nature for miles and miles.”

Tamarack Park Trail begins at Tamarack Park and starts with a steep incline along rock surfaces. This section is marked by large glacial erratics and runs up and down a rocky slope which flattens out along the ridge. As the trail gets closer to Johnson Lake, the terrain flattens out. The trail ends on a smooth downhill slope leading to C.O. Johnson Park. There are two main parking areas for this trail, with C.O. Johnson Park having the most parking.

Hikers can also choose to branch off the Tamarack Greenway Trail to the South at Johnson Lake, and hike...
**GUIDE TO BYRAM’S TRAILS**

**Bryam Township, NJ Bicycle Paths**
The 1-mile Mansfield Bike Path is a well-defined woods road that crosses two streams and serves as part of the Highlands Trail. It connects Byram’s town hall and schools with the East Brookwood neighborhood and with Sparta-Stanhope Road, near Lenape High School. Hikers can connect with the Mansfield Woods Trail and trails in the municipalities of Hopatcong and Stanhope via the Tri-Community Trails Link at the old Cutoff rail overpass next to Sparta-Stanhope Road.

The 1.2-mile Jefferson-Glen Bike Path travels through the woods within Allamuchy Mt. State Park. It connects the Hi Glen neighborhood with Jefferson Lake and Sussex Branch Trail and links with a short walking path leading to a local restaurant, the Salt Gastropub on Route 206.

**Allamuchy Mountain State Park Trails**
The many miles of trails are easily accessed from Sussex Branch Trail and off Waterloo Road across from Waterloo Village. The terrain is fairly rugged and the trails are multi-use, including bicycles, horses, and hunters at various times of the year. The Park is a very large area, occupying roughly a third of Byram and crossing over into Allamuchy and Green Townships. The Highlands Trail crosses through the Park.

**Briar Ridge Trails**
These 1.5-mile and 1-mile trails are in Briar Ridge Park, on both sides of Andover-Mohawk Road. The northernmost trail ascends to a scenic vista over Lake Mohawk and descends to Whippoorwill Road, but access is off Andover-Mohawk Road. The southernmost trail is less steep, with a loop at the top near a wetlands and another large wetlands beside the trail head on Andover-Mohawk Road.

**Brookwood Park Trail**
A 0.3-mile easy loop trail between Brookwood Road and Lubbers Run with benches and a picnic table providing a place for sitting and fishing.

**Cat Swamp Connector**
An easy to moderate 0.2 mile walking/jogging trail from the Salt Gastropub on Route 206 to the Highlands Trail within Allamuchy Mt. State Park; open woods and nearby wetlands. Cat Swamp Hill is the historic name of the uphill section of Route 206 that starts at the restaurant.

**C.O. Johnson Park Paths**
Walking and jogging paths within Byram’s largest recreational facility are mostly asphalt with a few short hills. The paths wind around the ball fields and roadways of the park.

**Cranberry Overlook Trail**
This 0.5-mile main trail (with two shorter spur trails to official parking on C.O. Drive) climbs to a scenic overlook with views of Cranberry Lake and the Delaware Water Gap.

**Glenside Woods Trail**
A moderate 1-mile circular trail that wanders through open woods, past wetlands, over a small stream, and through rocky outcrops. Accessed via Ranger Trail (a neighborhood road off Lee Hill Road).

**Highlands Trail**
This trail has been re-routed and now enters Byram from Hopatcong, at Sparta-Stanhope Road. It follows the Mansfield Bike Trail, then follows Lackawanna Drive, Route 206, and Hi Glen Drive to the Jefferson-Glen Bike Trail, which it shares briefly before taking a steeper route across Allamuchy Mountain State Park, crossing Dragon Brook on a wooden bridge and exiting the Park opposite Waterloo Village.

**Lubbers Run Preserve Trail**
Located mostly on lands owned by the NJ Natural Lands Trust, this 0.6-mile woods trail parallels Lubbers Run, Byram’s longest stream. On one side is the stream and its marshes, bordered by ledgerock outcrops; on the other, a continuous wetland. Departs from Mansfield Drive near Neil Gylling Field; ends at border of the NJNLT parcel.

**Mansfield Woods Trail**
An easy 0.8 mile loop trail off the Mansfield Bike Trail, through open woods and along Cowboy Creek; near the Lackawanna Cutoff railroad embankment.

**Morris Canal Trail**
Less than 0.5-mile of this trail is in Byram, with other walkable sections in nearby towns. Eventually, a much longer trail is planned along the 102-mile Canal route from Phillipsburg to Jersey City. The Canal operated from 1831 to 1924; for more information, visit to www.morriscanal.org.

**Sussex Branch Trail**
This 22-mile multi-use (including horses and bicycles) rail trail travels from Waterloo Road in Byram to Branchville Borough. About 3.5 miles are in Byram, passing by Jefferson and Cranberry Lakes, with a waterfall in between. This is the route of Sussex County’s first railroad to transport coal from Andover mines to Waterloo Village, with parts of the earliest mule-driven line looping off the current route.

Ray Bonker, Chairman of Bryam Township’s Open Space Committee, cuts the ribbon during the opening day celebration of Tamarack Park and the Tamarack Park Trail.
BYRAM NEW TRAILS

up to Cranberry Overlook.

“Tamarack Park – with its connections to Byram’s trail network – features magnificent scenery, showcasing the beauty of the New Jersey Highlands,” commented Open Space Chairman Ray Bonker. “Spectacular views of Cranberry Lake and the Delaware Water Gap from scenic overlooks make for great hiking, and really illustrates how Byram is the ‘Township of Lakes’.”

While these park improvements address the growing demand for active recreation in Byram Township, the Tamarack Greenway project also creates an excellent point of entry for people throughout the region to enjoy the Township’s vast natural resources, and aids in economic growth.

“The park’s location – literally across the road from Allamuchy Mountain State Park and the Sussex Branch Trail – provides an easy point of access for the region’s trail network, and a way to enjoy the natural beauty of Byram,” according to Councilman and Open Space Committee member Scott Olson.

“Our town is truly a unique eco-tourism destination in northern New Jersey. With a vast trail system that traverses a wide variety of terrain including lakes, rivers and mountaintops, the public can visit Byram and enjoy nature at its finest.”

Tamarack Park is the active recreation component of 222 acres known as the Tamarack Greenway. Byram Township owns 69 acres of the preserved property outright, while 153 acres have been preserved through a conservation and public-access easement.

Acquisition of the Tamarack Greenway property – which utilized Byram’s Open Space tax in partnership with County, State and private funding – was completed in 2010 for $4,150,000, with the breakdown of funding sources as follows:

- NJ DEP Green Acres Program $2,025,000.00
- New Jersey Conservation Foundation 1,400,000.00
- Sussex County Open Space Fund 512,000.00
- Byram Township Open Space Fund 163,000.00
- The Land Conservancy of New Jersey 50,000.00

Funding for the construction of improvements for these new active-recreation fields was provided through the Township’s Open Space Fund.

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Newton High School’s robotics team Aperture returned home from the international 2017 FIRST Championship with the Underwriters Laboratories Industrial Safety Award. Aperture competed against more than 400 other teams internationally in the Dome at America’s Center in St. Louis, Missouri on April 27-28, 2017.

“It is the perfect example of collaboration, patience, and perseverance,” said Aperture member Kathryn Van Orden.

FIRST, an acronym for “For Inspiration and Recognition in Science and Technology,” is a passionate form of robotics available to students in kindergarten through twelfth grade. Newton’s team participates at the highest level, the FIRST Robotics Competition, where high school students are allotted six weeks at the beginning of the year to construct a robot that fulfills the objectives of the challenge released.

In March 2017, the team succeeded in its two district competitions at the high schools in Mount Olive and Bridgewater-Raritan before advancing to the regional championship hosted at Lehigh University in the beginning of April 2017.

From there, Aperture made its way to the world championship after earning the regional Engineering Inspiration Award at the regional event. This is given to the team that “celebrates outstanding success in advancing respect and appreciation for engineering within a team’s school and community,” according to the FIRST website.

This is the fourth time that the team has competed in the world championship since it was founded in 2009 — Liam Oakes (Oakes is a senior at Newton HS and is co-captain of Team Aperture)
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Who would think that one of the most famous mines in the world lies right here in the Sussex Skylands? The Sterling Hill Mining Museum in Ogdensburg is the only place in New Jersey where members of the public can tour a large underground mine and see for themselves how mining was done at one of the world’s most renowned mineral localities.

Together with the nearby Franklin, New Jersey orebody, 2.5 miles to the north, more than 360 different mineral species have been found here and over 80 exhibit a wonderful glow or fluorescence under ultraviolet light. Franklin and Sterling Hill minerals make these two localities the “Fluorescent Mineral Capital of the World” and that title is both official and undisputable! Because of this phenomenon, the esteemed American Museum of Natural History in New York City is interested in...
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featuring a large piece of fluorescent ore as part of an upcoming $325 million expansion slated for completion in 2020. Being approximately 20 feet long and 10 feet tall, it’s even going to have its own room!

Visitors to the Sterling Hill Mining Museum step into a piece of New Jersey history as they enter the grounds of this former industrial site. The museum exhibits, offices, and other facilities are housed in the original buildings used by the New Jersey Zinc Company when the mine was operational. Most of the on-site structures date from two major periods of construction, the first from 1914 to about 1930, and the second from 1954 to 1957.

The industrial heritage of the northeastern United States has, in many areas, purposely been obliterated; buildings have been torn down, mine sites regraded, and former industrial areas turned into residential subdivisions. The Sterling Hill zinc mine, which closed in 1986, might well have suffered the same fate, had the site not been purchased in 1989 by the Hauck families. Long interested in the mining industry, the Hauck families set out to preserve the legacy of Sterling Hill, an irreplaceable piece of New Jersey history, by making the site accessible to the public as a mining museum. The Sterling Hill Mining Museum opened for tours on August 4, 1990 and is now visited by more than 50,000 people annually. They are especially proud of the fact that on any typical school day over 200 school children visit the facility during science-based field trips.

Major additions have been made to the museum since its inception, including the newest; a 1942 Reading Railroad-style caboose. The caboose, a nod to the mine’s intertwined history with the county’s railroads, is 35 feet long, 9 feet wide and 13 feet tall at its highest point of the cupola. It weighs approximately 35,000 pounds.

**How The Slab of Rock Will Be Removed**

Exactly how do you wrest a 20’ x 10’ x 1’ slab of fluorescing rock from its earthen home? First, contact an Italian marble cutting company. Most are expert at cutting large stone blocks utilizing diamond-cleated cable, which is what will be used at Sterling Hill.

Next, begin by drilling a vertical hole about 10 ft. high that will intersect with a horizontal hole about 20 ft. long. The diamond-cleated cable will “lace thru” the holes (one hole will be at the bottom of the slab and the other at the very back of the slab). The cable will be “free” on the top surface of the rock and also free on the front of the rock. That portion of the cable will always be visible and connected to a motorize pulley. The motor will be mounted on a track so it keeps moving away from the slab and provides a constant tension. The two initial holes get the cable back into the rock and this is the means of starting the cutting process.

Once the slab has been cut, it will be stored at Sterling Hill awaiting transportation to the museum at a later date. Since getting the rock out of the ground is the beginning of its journey to the Museum of Natural History, a production crew will be filming and documenting the entire fascinating process.
“When the mine existed, its surface was all about trains,” said Bill Kroth, President and Executive Director of Sterling Hill Mining Museum. “It didn’t look like a mine here. It looked like a rail yard because the ore had to go out for refining to Palmerton, Pennsylvania by rail.” The museum had been looking for an engine or a caboose for a long time he explained, noting “We wanted a real piece of railroad history here.” They found it. Retired from service in the 1990’s the caboose sat deteriorating in Ridgefield Park, and then Fanwood for many years. In 2016, it was rescued from the scrapper and brought to Ogdensburg, to the Sterling Hill Mining Museum for a full restoration.

The road to restoration included safely blasting off many layers of lead paint, installing over 100 square feet of new steel panels, drilling and welding over 300 new steel rivets, and refurbishing the original 1940s-era interior. All of the interior deteriorated wood was removed and era-correct wood was installed for the floors and walls. The caboose has been both structurally and cosmetically preserved now and will soon be painted a deep red, with lettering that reads “Central Railroad of New Jersey” on one side and “New Jersey Zinc” on the other. By searching rail scrap yards and rail museums for nearly a year; many of the missing original furnishing have been found, including a wood-burning caboose stove, a “direct discharge” toilet, and even a 1942 caboose toilet paper holder, scored on eBay for $18.00.

The nearly completed caboose now sits on approximately 40 feet of new railroad track that was installed, courtesy of the New York Susquehanna & Western Railway Corporation in Ridgefield Park, for this very purpose. It is a nice focal point for everyone entering the property, and climbing the interior steps up to the cupola (lookout) will be a lot of fun for everyone, said Kroth.

The Sterling Hill Mining Museum is open daily from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. (in winter, weekends only). Visitors not only spend about 70 minutes in the actual mine but also visit the Zobel Exhibit Hall, containing thousands of mining-related items and the Thomas S. Warren Museum of Fluorescence, where hundreds of minerals glow like embers in the darkness. Mine tours are about two hours (no one ever complains that they are too long) and they begin at 1 p.m.

The Sterling Hill Mining Museum is a non-profit educational foundation dedicated to preserving the rich mining heritage of Sussex County and developing a love of Earth Science.
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The Sussex County Chamber of Commerce received funding through a grant from the New Jersey Department of State, Division of Travel and Tourism.
New Jersey consumers thirst for craft beer is evidenced by the tripling of craft breweries in the state since 2011. Sensing this interest before it became a trend was Bob Fuchs, the owner of Krogh’s Restaurant in Sparta, NJ. In 1998 the popular watering hole was officially renamed Krogh’s Restaurant & Brew Pub when Fuchs and head chef, David Carl Cooper, decided to build a state-of-the-art brewery on premises. It was, at the time, the first and only brew pub in Sussex County.

Now Fuchs is taking the next step with the opening of Krogh’s Brewing Co. in Newton, NJ. He and business partner, Blake Ellman, expect the facility’s opening to increase current production ten-fold (currently at 500 barrels at the restaurant) and add more IPA’s, lagers, stouts, and malt beers to the line-up. A tasting room with a small outdoor deck is also part of the plan.

The “craft” beverage movement that began with beer extends to spirits as well, giving the cocktail scene a renaissance of sorts and boasting the birth rate for craft distilleries. Leading the way in Sussex County is Milk Street Distillery, located in Branchville, NJ, and owned by brothers Mike and Gordon Geerhart.

If YELP reviews are any indication, the brothers have nailed it. One enthusiastic patron raved, “What an awesome place! The owners are super cool and serve not only as the tour guides but also as bartenders. They currently produce rye, rum and vodka and craft cocktails with all three. The ambience is very homey and comfortable and combined with the laid back owners producing amazing libations, we have a winner!” Tours and tastings are available on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Three popular area festivals celebrate the art of the beverage along with food to accompany it. Two are held at Crystal Springs Resort: The New Jersey Wine and Food Festival and the New Jersey Beer and Food Festival. The third is Mountain Creek’s annual Oktoberfest.

The New Jersey Wine and Food
Festival brings together the world’s best wines and renowned local and national chefs. Events held during the annual 3-day event are designed to allow food and wine lovers to meet and mingle with chefs, winemakers, sommeliers and fellow wine aficionados. The 9th annual, held March 31 – April 2, 2017 featured industry legend Chef Daniel Boulud as the guest of honor. His wine cellar dinner at the event was billed as an “once-in-a-lifetime experience.”

Speaking about the event, Robby Younes, Vice President of Hospitality at Crystal Springs Resort and founder of the New Jersey Wine & Food Festival said, “After nine years, we have grown the New Jersey Wine & Food Festival into the pre-eminent culinary event in the state and one of the best in the Northeast. No other New Jersey event attracts such a high caliber of chefs like Daniel Boulud to Thomas Keller while also celebrating our local talent. We look forward to making next year’s tenth anniversary the biggest event yet.”

The New Jersey Beer and Food Festival is also in its 9th year, with the 2017 celebration falling (conveniently) on Father’s Day Weekend, perfect timing for dads who love all things beer. Highlights included tastings of over 150 beers, a golf tournament and a Sunday Brews Brunch in the Chef’s Garden, the Resort’s unique “garden-to-table” al fresco dining experience.

Oktoberfest at Mountain Creek features mouthwatering eats from wursts to slow-roasted meats over a wood fire and plenty of authentic German beer. Taking a break from the brats and suds? Kick up your heels to plenty of live entertainment, including frequent headliner and 18-time Grammy Award-Winner Jimmy Sturr and his orchestra. You’ll feel like you’ve been directly transported to Germany!
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A NEW GENERATION STEPS UP

Fifth generation descendants prepare to take reins

None of us ever really quit working,” said Bryant Avondoglio, watching as his father, Mark, heads into the kitchen to check on a delivery. “Eventually, we just sort of shift the bulk of the responsibility from one generation to the next. My grandfather, Victor, still makes it a point to look in on brunch every week. He’s still here more often than he’s not. My sister, Marley, and I have taken on a lot of the day-to-day operations, but this isn’t like a regular corporate structure where one boss moves out when a new one moves in.”

Each new generation has worked with the one before it to find the right balance between keeping with the times and holding on to tradition.

“People have really changed the way that they look at wedding and event planning,” Avondoglio said. “In general, thanks, I think, in part to the ideas that they can pull from social media, people want to be more involved with the process than they used to. One of the biggest things that we want to emphasize moving forward is that we welcome any and all of those suggestions that people bring to the table. If you want a classy, formal affair, we can do that. If you want a more laid-back, comfortable celebration, we can do that, too. We’re all about personalizing the experience to the best of our abilities.”

In 2012, an extensive remodel began to transform the picturesque family barn from a storage space into a premier wedding venue.

“People love the idea of being married in a barn until they realize what that actually means,” said Avondoglio. “Barns and haylofts are beautiful spaces, but when you talk about utilizing a functioning farm space as a venue, there are often a lot of complications. We wanted to give people the chance to enjoy the original, rustic feel of the barn without sacrificing any of the luxuries afforded by our other event spaces.”

The Perona Farms Barn hosted its first wedding in April 2013. The two-story Barn features a black walnut bar, wide, classic-style floorboards, an open view to the original rafters above and plenty of country-rustic details such as mason jar lights, wine barrel tables and stable windows.

“It’s a very unique space, and I think that’s why people enjoy it so much,” Avondoglio said. “We’re very proud of it.”

Avondoglio said that Perona Farms has also adjusted the way that staff and guests communicate to be more in-line with current trends. “We’ll do live chat, Instagram, Facebook ... again, it completely depends on the individual needs of our guests. It used to be that our primary client base was right here in the area, but now, we have guests coming out from 50 or 60 miles away. If we can make it easier for them by providing virtual tours, then we are more than happy to do that.”

Avondoglio said that recently, Perona Farms started to take online reservations for its famous Sunday brunches.

“So far, it’s really working out well,” he said. “People had been asking for an update to our system for a while, and we

The Perona Farms family, from left, Wade Avondoglio, Tracey Ivaldi, Mark Avondoglio, Bryant Avondoglio, Marley Avondoglio, Kirk Avondoglio and Victor Avondoglio, stand at the front of Perona Farms, a family-owned and operated business since 1917. The culinary landmark is celebrating its 100th anniversary.
felt it was important to pay attention to that.” Of course, Avondoglio said, more traditional options will always be available.

“We still encourage facility tours for anyone who is able to take one,” he said. “Our event spaces are beautiful, but we want people to see what goes on behind the scenes as well. Almost everyone who comes through here is taken through the kitchen to meet the chefs and see how their food will be prepared. We walk out to the greenhouse to show that we are still as dedicated to quality and freshness as ever, and we take people through all of the different event spaces that we have so that they have as much information as possible before making a decision. Our family has always put service first, and no matter what else changes, that never will.”

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Perona Farms is celebrating 100 years in business this year!

Since 1917, when the Perona family took in boarders to pay for cattle feed, we have been expanding and taking great pride in our facility.

Currently the fourth generation, Mark, Wade, Kirk, and Tracey, lead our family business. Two members of the fifth generation, Bryant and Marley, have recently joined our team to carry on a century of service. It is with great pride that we conduct business every day, knowing the tremendous legacy our ancestors left us.

What started out as a farmhouse and dairy farm has grown into a renowned wedding and catering facility, with beautiful grounds and ceremony sites for our clients. Our outstanding team, from the kitchen to the front of the house and the entire community, have made it possible every step of the way.

In the last several years, Mr. Perona’s original dairy barn from the 1930s has been renovated as another exciting wedding and events venue. Our most recent additions include a greenhouse to grow lettuces and herbs hydroponically — and our latest venture is beekeeping!

The Perona Farms Foundation is celebrating our 100th anniversary on July 18 and we hope you will join us. Proceeds from the celebration will go to benefit the James Beard Foundation, a non-profit organization based in New York that supports America’s diverse culinary heritage through educational programs

The Avondoglio Family
HONORS AND ACCOLADES

Businesses and organizations receive awards, nominations, accreditations

Sparta Cancer Center received APEx accreditation from the American Society for Radiation Oncology (ASTRO) Accreditation Program for Excellence following ASTRO’s rigorous review process spanning several months. Sparta Cancer Center is one of only two organizations in NJ to earn ASTRO’s APEx accreditation.

Anthony Labozzetta, President and Chief Executive Officer of Sussex Bank, was named American Banker’s Community Banker of the Year in 2016 and in February 2017 was recognized by Forbes magazine as one of America’s Business Leaders in Banking. Sussex Bank was also recently named one of the 50 Fastest Growing Companies in New Jersey by NJBIZ Magazine.

Nisivoccia LLP ranks as one of the 2017 Best Places to Work in New Jersey by NJBIZ, making it the fifth consecutive year the company has earned this distinction. In addition, Nisivoccia was named as one of the Top 300 Public Largest Accounting Firms by INSIDE Public Accounting and was recognized by New Jersey Monthly as a 2017 Great Oak Awards Nominee, a program honoring the state’s businesses for their work on behalf of social and charitable causes and nonprofits.

Kittatinny Valley State Park was voted “Best Place to Hike in Sussex County” by nj.com readers and msn.com named Kittatinny Valley State Park New Jersey’s most underrated tourist attraction that deserves to be seen.

Nominated for NJBIZ Business of the Year awards (2016) were Jersey Central Power & Light (JCP&L) for Business of the Year (101+ Employees) and Lakeland Bank for Corporate Citizen of the Year.

The Vernon Coalition, a program of the Center for Prevention and Counseling, was recognized on a national level by the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America’s (CADCA) National Coalition Institute with the GOT OUTCOMES! Coalition of Excellence Award. This was given to the Vernon Coalition for its use of data-driven, comprehensive, and effective approaches to address local substance abuse issues.

Holiday Inn Express was named by its Intercontinental Hotels Group corporate company as a recipient of the Torchbearer Award. This award is given to hotels that have achieved the highest levels of excellence. The hotel also received the award in 2009.

Michael O’Hara, CEO of KB Computing, has been selected for the second year in a row as Vice Chair for the Health Informatics and Medical Systems sessions at the World Congress in Computer Science, Computer Engineering, and Applied Computing.

The Engineering News-Record (ENR) recently recognized LAN Associates as a 2017 Top Design Firm in the New York-area. ENR annually ranks the 500 largest publicly and privately held firms based on design-specific revenue.

Dee Mathews, General Manager of Hampton Body Works, was featured in an article in Auto Body News, a monthly publication, both online and in print, for the owners and managers of over 42,000+ collision repair shops across the country.

Sojihuggles Childrens Foundation earned Gold Star status from GuideStar, a highly respected voluntary information service specializing in reporting on U.S. nonprofit companies.
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reEscape Aerial Adventure Park, anticipated to open by August 2017 at Mountain Creek, is a unique blend of wooden platforms built high in the trees and connected by exhilarating combinations of rope walks, obstacles and climbing elements. The unique attraction compliments the resort’s current four season offerings that include zip lining, skiing, snowboarding, snow tubing, golf, a mountain bike park, and waterpark.

Adventurers of all age levels are encouraged to climb, conquer and explore (not the time to let a fear of height dampen the fun) while clambering across rope bridges and whizzing through the forest canopy on zip lines. The ten unique courses are designed to provide an exhilarating outdoor experience for everyone, especially those that enjoy their playgrounds with some adrenaline on the side.

The park plans to be open seven days a week from May through October and, weather permitting, on weekends in April and November. While it’s perfect for a family excursion, it’s also a great place for a corporate outing or a thrilling team building event. It’s a fun way to interact with co-workers and build trust amongst your team. It enhances cooperation, communication, and group cohesion. A typical 3 hour climb includes a 30 minute orientation, full equipment and gloves rental, multiple courses to choose from with over 100 unique elements plus a private picnic table area for drinks (and maybe some happy hour fun to celebrate your group’s accomplishments). It’s also suitable for scouting organizations, sports team bonding, or a family reunion activity. For safety, all guests are secured by harnesses with a double-locking system to ensure they cannot fall.

Nature lovers need not worry that any trees were harmed the park’s creation. Mountain Creek is committed to responsible stewardship and management of the natural environment that supports its recreational opportunities. The park was constructed using a system of cables that connects to the trees and as the trees grow, the cables can be loosened. Steps were also taken to minimize damage to vegetation and tree roots during construction as well with workers using existing paths and foregoing the use of any heavy equipment.
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