

# County Health Ranking. Rabies Alert. Recycling Updates. Shred Day. And More!



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## FREEHOLDER NEWS



### Freeholder Proclamations

[Horticultural Therapy Week](#)

[Irish-American Heritage Month](#)

### [Women's History Month](#)

Somerset County is celebrating March as Women's History Month and March 19 as Women in Public Office Day.

### [County Health Rankings](#)

Somerset County once again has been ranked among the top three healthiest counties in New Jersey.

## WHAT'S NEW

### [Rabid Raccoon Reported](#)

A raccoon found in the area of Lake Road in Far Hills has tested positive for rabies.

### [Outstanding Women Awards](#)

The awards dinner has been rescheduled to March 26. Reconfirm your reservation by March 22; new reservations also welcome.

### ['BOBO Fridays' Food Drive](#)

The next Buy One, Bring One food collection will be held tomorrow, March 16.

### [Recycling Calendar](#)

The first Household Hazardous Waste drop-off of 2018 will be held this Saturday, March 17, in Bernards (Rx drop-off too -- see below).

### [Rx Drive-Thru Drop-off](#)

Get rid of outdated or unwanted medications March 17 in Bernards.

### [Recycling Canceled in Four Areas](#)

Due to last week's storm, recycling pickups were canceled in Warren, Watchung, Martinsville and Thomae Park. But residents there can take advantage of recycling drop-off options.

### [Race to Wellness](#)

[Register now](#) for the fifth annual 5K Race to Wellness on March 24.

### [Prevent Identity Theft](#)

The first Operation Secure Shred free document-shredding event of 2018 will be held March 31.

### [Colon Cancer Awareness](#)

Over 50? Have a family history? Get screened for colorectal cancer.

### [Human Services Newsletter](#)

A salute to social workers, yoga and mindfulness, veterans' I.D. cards and more are in the March issue!

### [Free Tax Prep Help](#)

Appointments are available through April 15 for this free service for eligible county residents.

### [New Passport Fees](#)

New passport-application fees will take effect April 2.

### [Free Legal Consultation](#)

Have you been denied Social Security disability benefits? You may be eligible for a free attorney consultation April 12 or May 10. Pre-registration is required.

### [Shelter Closed](#)

The shelter that was temporarily located at Raritan Valley Community College in Branchburg following Winter Storm Quinn has been closed.

## **SENIOR CORNER**

### [March Programs](#)

There's something for everyone at our [six county-operated senior centers!](#)

## **LIBRARY SYSTEM**

### [Calling All Artists!](#)

Help design a limited-edition library card for the SCLSNJ. Entries are due by March 24.

### [Community Memories Project](#)

SCLSNJ will be collecting, cataloging and preserving the collective memories of Somerset County residents. The first scheduled digitization date will be April 7.

## **PARKS & RECREATION**

### [March Events](#)

Horses, trails, tennis and more are at Somerset County parks during the month of March!

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