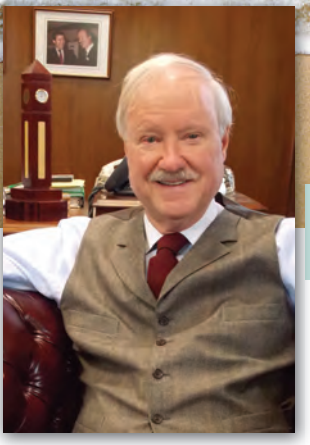




Greetings from Freeholder John C. Bartlett, Jr.

On behalf of the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders, I welcome you to the Summer 2016 issue of ***Out & About Ocean County,*** *A Free Newsguide to Arts & Heritage Events*. Each summer, we have the opportunity to enjoy art and heritage events as well as the treasures of our beaches and natural resources.

Ocean County's arts and history organizations provide a rich tapestry of programs, events, and classes for your summer enjoyment. Many of our towns and boroughs provide wonderful outdoor concerts including the Ocean County Department of Parks and Recreation's *The Carousel of Music Concert Series* to be held at various locations throughout the summer.

The New Jersey Teen Arts Festival will be held at the Ocean County College on June 1, 2 and 3. We are all grateful to the Jay and Linda Grunin Foundation for their support of this important showcase of student talent from throughout New Jersey right here at our Ocean County College.

I am happy to report that the repairs to Cattus Island County Park in Toms River from the impact of Superstorm Sandy are progressing very well.

The pages of this 2016 summer issue are graced with art work received in response to a call for contributions from the Pine Shores Art Association. This is the fifth summer that we have showcased art from one of our Ocean County artist organizations on a rotating basis in our summer issue.

Please take special note of our exciting palette of summer cultural opportunities in the event listings.

Sincerely,

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