

MAIL LIST
April 17, 2026

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4/1/2026

Mayor & Council, Borough of Closter,

Please accept this letter of resignation from my position as Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator, effective April 30, 2026. As previously discussed, I will be retiring from active employment with the Borough on that date.

It has been a pleasure serving as Deputy EMC and working to make Closter a safer and more resilient community.

Sincerely,

William Dahle

cc: James B Winters, Emergency Management Coordinator,



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Mari Margiotta <mmargiotta@closternj.us>

2026 Bergen County Utilities Authority Recycling Events & Drug Takeback Day

1 message

Sands, Derek <DSands@bergencountynj.gov> Thu, Apr 9, 2026 at 1:07 PM
To: "Sands, Derek" <DSands@bergencountynj.gov>
Cc: "mvangieri@bcua.org" <mvangieri@bcua.org>, "Dorsett, Craig" <CDorsett@bergencountynj.gov>, "Pellicano, Breanne" <BPellicano@bergencountynj.gov>, "Razzaq, Sidra" <SRazzaq@bergencountynj.gov>

Good afternoon local leaders and county partners:

Please shared the following flyer with your constituencies regarding the four upcoming recycling events hosted by the Bergen County Utilities Authority which will collect electronics/computers, unwanted medication, tires, paper for mobile shredding. The events will take place on:

- Sunday, April 26th** - Bergen Community College in Paramus from 9am to 2pm
- Saturday, June 13th** - Campgaw Mountain Reservation in Mahwah from 9am to 2pm
- Saturday, August 8th** - Bergen Community College in Paramus from 9am to 2pm
- Sunday, October 4th** - Campgaw Mountain Reservation in Mahwah from 9am to 2pm

All the best,
Derek Alan Sands (*he/him/his*)
Deputy Chief of Staff
Office of County Executive James J. Tedesco III
County of Bergen
Office – 201.336.6979
Cell – 201.250.6080

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Mari Margiotta <mmargiotta@closternj.us>

Fwd: Tenakill Science Olympiad Fundraising

1 message

Alissa Latner <alatner@closternj.us>

Fri, Apr 10, 2026 at 2:40 PM

To: Mayor & Council <mayorcouncil@closternj.us>, James Winters <jwinters@closternj.us>, Mari Margiotta <mmargiotta@closternj.us>, Kevin Whitney <kwhitney@closternj.us>, Leslie Weatherly <lweatherly@closternj.us>

I am following up on what I mentioned at our Wednesday meeting regarding the Tenakill Science Olympiad Fundraiser.

The attached letter explains it in more detail. There is also a link to the Go Fund Me page. Sending this so the Borough might assist, hopefully by making a donation, even a small amount would help.

I have also copied Mari, so that this can be included in the next Mail List. Leslie is also on here, hoping you could include it in the Mayor's May newsletter. And Kevin as well, to post or share whatever you can on social media.

Thanks so much,

Alissa Latner



*Closter Councilwoman
295 Closter Dock Road
Closter, NJ 07624
Tel.: 201 784-0600 Ext. 432
cell: 201 970-0352*

----- Forwarded message -----
From: **Melody Finkelstein** <[REDACTED]>
Date: Fri, Apr 10, 2026 at 8:57 AM
Subject: Re: Tenakill Science Olympiad Fundraising
To: Alissa Latner <alatner@closternj.us>

Thanks so much! I am also attaching a letter we have put together with some more information for your reference.

Sincerely,
Melody

On Thu, Apr 9, 2026 at 9:54 PM Melody Finkelstein <finkelsteinm@vnet.org> wrote:
Hi Councilwoman Latner,

It was nice to see you at today's Board of Education meeting. Thank you for speaking to the Closter Council about potentially donating the Tenakill Science Olympiad team! The team will be traveling to the competition in Los Angeles from May 21-24, 2026. If you need any more information, please let us know.

I have also included a link to the team's GoFundMe site below that can be shared with anyone that is interested in donating.
<https://gofund.me/5934f8bdb>

We appreciate your support!

Sincerely,
Melody Finkelstein

Dear Friend,

Our Tenakill Middle School Science Olympiad team of Closter, New Jersey has achieved an incredible milestone – placing first at the State Tournament and earning the honor of being the only team to represent the state of New Jersey at the National Science Olympiad Tournament! This is the second year in a row our school has earned a spot to compete at Nationals, it is a remarkable accomplishment and a great opportunity to represent New Jersey and show why it is a top place for education, science and community. The team is putting in a lot of effort into their preparations, and we are incredibly proud of all their hard work, dedication, grit, and determination!

We are reaching out to the community for donations to help us make this experience possible for all participants. The team is traveling May 21-24, 2026 for this year's competition at the University of Southern California. **We need your help to cover essential costs such as transportation, meals, lodging, supplies, and freight to ship their project builds.**

There are several ways to support our team, and we appreciate any help you can give.

- **Donation by check:** Checks made out to Tenakill Middle School can be mailed to Tenakill Middle School, Attn: Science Olympiad Fundraiser, 275 High Street, Closter, NJ, 07624. A letter of acknowledgement can be provided upon request for tax deduction purposes.
- **Contribution to our team GoFundMe Page:** <https://gofund.me/b8335024e>
- **Team sponsorship:** \$2,000 for Platinum level and large logo on team shirt, \$1,000 for Gold level and small logo on team shirt. Logos must be sent by email to mrsfink@gmail.com by April 25.

Please reach out to our parent fundraising liaisons Jessica Park (jessjiahpark@gmail.com, 201-238-3166) or Melody Finkelstein (mrsfink@gmail.com, 917-297-7030) with any questions.

Every donation, big or small, to get our step one step closer to their National Competition.

Thank you for your help in making this dream a reality for our students!

The 2026 Tenakill Middle School Science Olympiad Team



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Mari Margiotta <mmargiotta@closternj.us>

Fwd: BERGEN TECH DELIVERS 2 RESTORED GoKARTS TO MUSEUM FOR BERGEN TECH ANNUAL EXHIBIT

1 message

Alissa Latner <alatner@closternj.us>

Fri, Apr 10, 2026 at 2:51 PM

To: Mayor & Council <mayorcouncil@closternj.us>, Mari Margiotta <mmargiotta@closternj.us>, James Winters <jwinters@closternj.us>

Just passing this along...Don Farrell shared these photos-impressive and so cool that the students from Bergen County Tech made the frames!

Alissa Latner



Closter Councilwoman

295 Closter Dock Road

Closter, NJ 07624

7d.: 201 784-0600 Ext. 432

cell: 201 970-0352

From: DONALD farrell <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Friday, April 10, 2026 12:17 PM

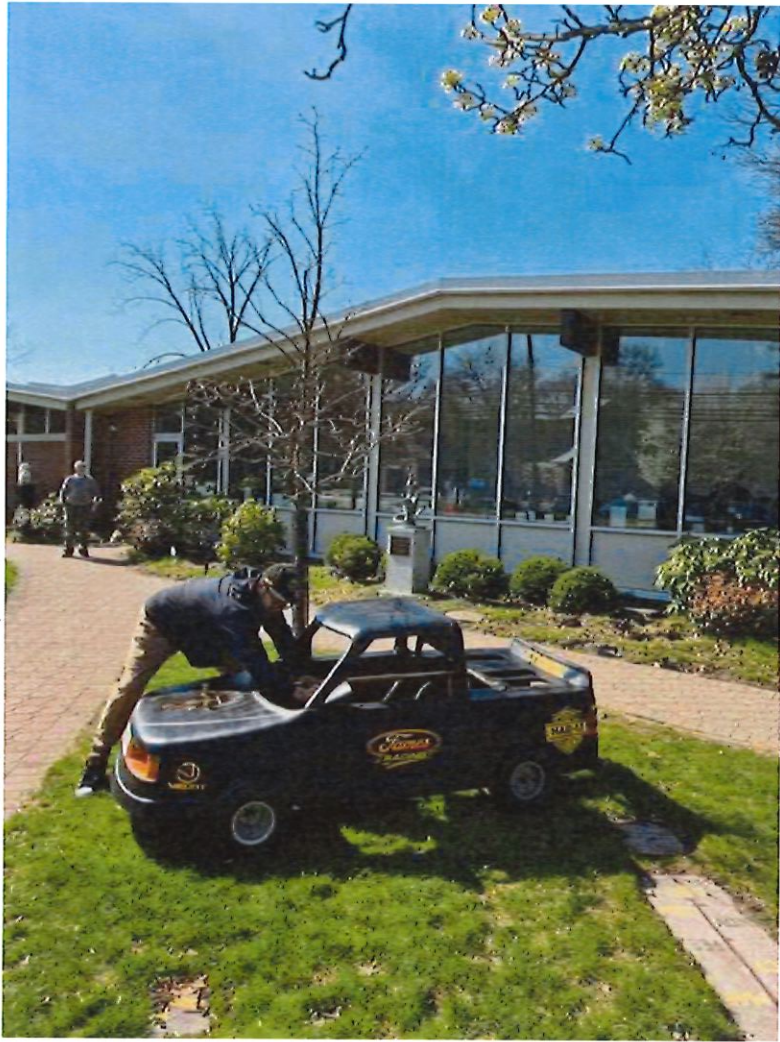
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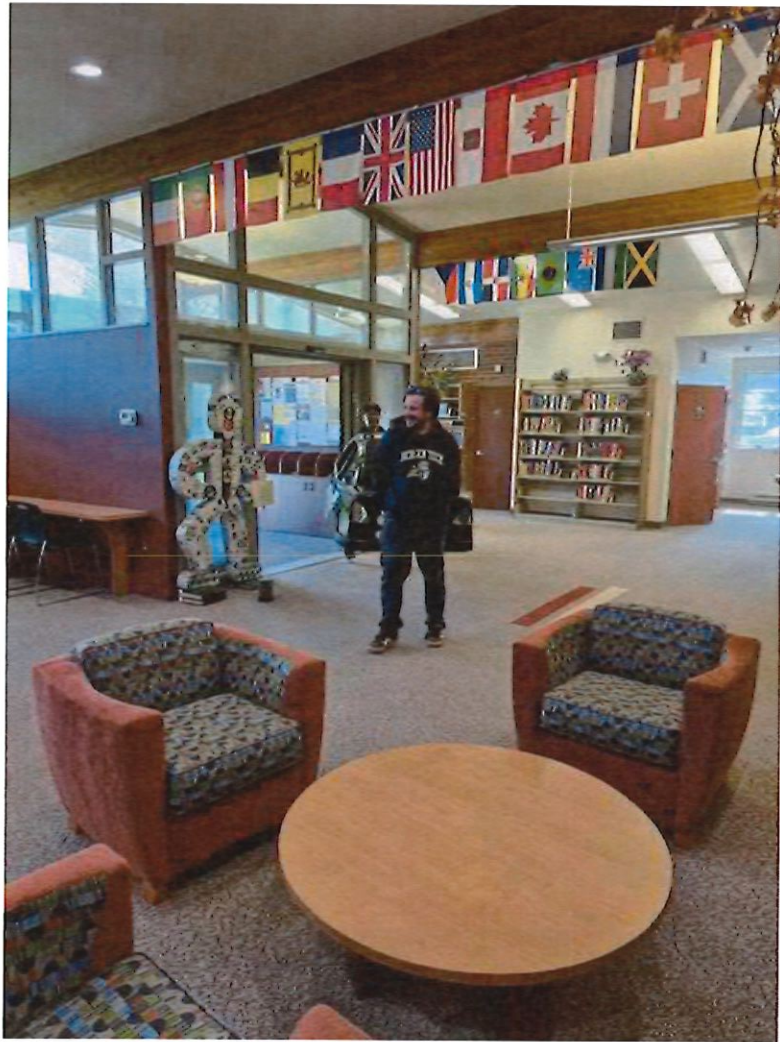
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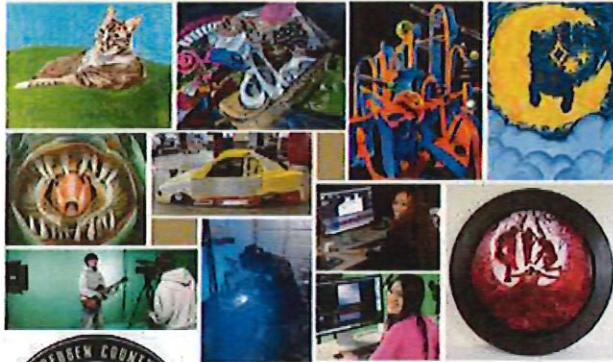








Martin Hicks Gallery at
THE BELSKIE MUSEUM OF ART & SCIENCE
 presents



STUDENT EXHIBIT
 BERGEN COUNTY TECHNICAL H.S. TETERBORO
APRIL 12-26, 2026

The seventh annual student exhibit by Bergen County Technical High School Teterboro. On display will be works from the Automotive Engineering, Commercial Art & Graphic Design, Digital Media and Art majors.

The Automotive Engineering exhibit features restored vintage go-karts brought back to life using modern tools and technology. Through hands-on engineering and fabrication, students applied design, problem-solving, and manufacturing skills throughout the restoration process.

Students majoring in Fine Art and Commercial Art will showcase a range of traditional and digital media, while Digital Media students will present engaging and thought-provoking multimedia productions.

EXHIBIT OPENING - SUNDAY, APRIL 12th - 1-4pm

(REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED)

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Laura Rametta <lrametta@closternj.us>

Library news April 13, 2026

1 message

Closter Public Library <circulation@closter.bccls.org>

Reply-To: cltrcirc@bccls.org

To: lrametta@closternj.us

Mon, Apr 13, 2026 at 8:01 AM



CLOSTER PUBLIC LIBRARY
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April 13, 2026

RESOURCES

PRINT FROM HOME



Do you need to print a document from your device - laptop, desktop, phone, tablet? It's as easy as clicking this link or scanning the code.

From there you can send your document to the printer here in the library, then come to pick it up. Copies cost 10¢ per page for black and white and 25¢ per page for color.

Visit our [website](#) for more information.



Museum Passes

Marcel Duchamp at MoMA



Henri-Robert-Marcel Duchamp was a French-born artist, writer, and inventor who revolutionized the art world with his “readymade” technique. Duchamp is considered a pioneer of Dada and the father of contemporary art.

Featuring some 300 artworks, this exhibition marks the first retrospective of the artist’s work in the United States since 1973. Scholarship mining the artist’s famously enigmatic work has flourished in the intervening half-century—as have myths and misconceptions. This exhibition offers a sweeping account of Duchamp’s multifaceted career across all mediums from 1900 to 1968, offering today’s audience the first opportunity to view the full breadth of his creative output.

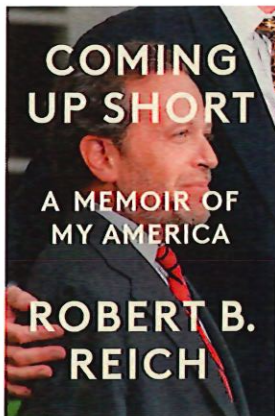
Contact the library to reserve the museum pass and visit this and other exhibits.

We have a wide range of museum passes that you can borrow with your Closter library card, including the Children’s Museum of Manhattan, MoMA, and the Yogi Berra Museum.

[Visit our website for more information about our museum pass program.](#)



Regular Program



Adult Book Club

Wednesday, April 15 3pm

[Coming Up Short](#) by Robert Reich. For May read [The Last Mona Lisa](#) by Jonathan Santloffer



Monday

10-11:30am- Advanced ESL

Conversation

7-8pm - Tech Help

Wednesday

6-7 pm Yoga/Meditation

Thursday

10-11:30am - **1to1 ESL tutoring**
12:30-2pm - **Knitting and Craft**
4:30pm - **Zumba on Zoom**

Friday

10-12pm - **1to1 ESL tutoring**

Saturday

1:30-2:30 - **Intermediate ESL** *This class is full. Contact the library to get on the waiting list*

2-3pm - **Tech Help**

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As ever, please contact the library:

Ruth and **Deborah** for general questions

Vida for Kids N Young Adults question

Tim for Reference questions and issues with electronic media

Julia for the short story club

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Mari Margiotta <mmargiotta@closternj.us>

Bergen County to host public hearing on needs of Older Adults

1 message

Sands, Derek <DSands@bergencountynj.gov>

Wed, Apr 15, 2026 at 12:13 PM

To: "Sands, Derek" <DSands@bergencountynj.gov>

Cc: "Razzaq, Sidra" <SRazzaq@bergencountynj.gov>, "Geroski, Natalie" <NGeroski@bergencountynj.gov>, "Dorsett, Craig" <CDorsett@bergencountynj.gov>, "Pellicano, Breanne" <BPellicano@bergencountynj.gov>

Good morning - I wanted to share information about an upcoming public hearing being hosted by Bergen County's Division of Senior Services/ADRC regarding the needs of older adults in our community.

In accordance with the Older Americans Act, the County will hold its Annual Public Hearing on **Tuesday, May 12, 2026 at 9:00 AM in the 5th Floor Public Meeting Room** at One Bergen County Plaza in Hackensack. The purpose of this hearing is to gather input from residents, caregivers, and community organizations to help guide the planning and delivery of services for Bergen County's senior population.

We encourage you to share this information with your residents, particularly older adults, caregivers, and any local organizations that work with seniors. Individuals may provide oral testimony at the hearing or submit written comments in advance.

Oral testimony will be limited to five minutes per speaker. Written testimony must be submitted by May 5, 2026. Additional details, including registration information, can be obtained by contacting Katie Burke at KBurke@bergencountynj.gov or (201) 336-7417.

Thank you,

Derek Alan Sands (*he/him/his*)


Deputy Chief of Staff

Office of County Executive James J. Tedesco III

County of Bergen

Office – 201.336.6979

Cell – 201.250.6080

 **2026 Public Hearing Flyer .pdf**
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Bergen County Executive
James J. Tedesco, III
and the

Bergen County Board of Commissioners,
Together with the
Bergen County Department of Human Services, Division of Senior Services
Invite All Bergen County Senior Citizens to



Public Hearing on the Needs of Older Adults

Tuesday, May 12, 2026
8:30AM - 11:30AM

County Administration Building
One Bergen County Plaza
5th Floor Commissioners Public Meeting Room
Hackensack, NJ, 07601

Verbal testimony will be accepted and is limited to five minutes.

You may also submit written testimony to:

Bergen County Division of Senior Services

Lorraine Joewono, Director

One Bergen County Plaza, 2nd Floor, Hackensack, NJ 07601

or by email to: [**Seniors@BergenCountyNJ.gov**](mailto:Seniors@BergenCountyNJ.gov)

Language interpreters are available upon request. Please note that ASL Interpreters, Assistive Listening Devices and CART Services will be available.

For more information or special accommodations,

Please contact Katie Burke:

(201) 336-7417 or [Seniors@BergenCountyNJ.gov**](mailto:Seniors@BergenCountyNJ.gov)**



James J. Tedesco, III
Bergen County Executive

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CLOSTER ELKS #2304

148 Railroad Avenue
Closter, New Jersey 07624

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April 15, 2026
Borough of Closter
295 Closter Dock Road, Closter NJ

Dear Mayor Glidden and Members of the Council,

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing on behalf of the Closter Elks Lodge to respectfully inquire whether the Borough would consider including our parking lot in the scope of its 2026 Road Project Bid for crack sealing and striping.

As a nonprofit organization, the Elks operate on a limited budget, and facility maintenance is one of our most challenging ongoing expenses. Partnering with the Borough on a larger-scale project could make this essential work more affordable for us by allowing the contractor to provide a more competitive price through combined volume.

Our parking lot is an important part of our ability to host community events, charitable programs, and gatherings that benefit residents throughout Closter and the surrounding area. Ensuring it remains safe and well-maintained helps us continue serving the community effectively.

If it is feasible, we would greatly appreciate being included in the bid process so we can receive a quote as part of the Borough's overall project. We understand that any work performed would be at our expense, and we would be happy to coordinate details with the appropriate Borough representatives.

Thank you very much for your consideration. We value our longstanding relationship with the Borough and appreciate any assistance you may be able to provide. Please feel free to contact me at your convenience if further information is needed.

Sincerely,

Brian W. Pierro Sr. – Head Trustee, PER

CC: Jessica Schoener, Exalted Ruler



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Mari Margiotta <mmargiotta@closternj.us>

Short-Term Accommodations, Planning Resolution, Federal Budget

1 message

NJLM Weekly Roundup <noreply@civicplus.com>

Wed, Apr 15, 2026 at 4:10 PM

Reply-To: noreply@civicplus.com

To: mmargiotta@closternj.us



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State Issues

DLGS Issues LFN 2026-09 on Short-Term Transient Accommodations

The Division of Local Government Services issued Local Finance Notice 2026-09 concerning short-term transient accommodations ahead of major upcoming events and celebrations in New Jersey.

[Read more: DLGS Issues LFN 2026-09 on Short-Term Transient Accommodations](#)

Contact: Erin Knoedler, Legislative Analyst, eknoedler@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x116.

Take Action: Adopt Resolution Opposing Legislation Bypassing Local Planning

S-1836 enhances the ability of religious and nonprofit organizations to convert certain property to inclusionary developments with affordable housing. Please consider adopting the League's Sample Resolution opposing this legislation.

[Read more: Adopt Resolution Opposing Legislation Bypassing Local Planning](#)

Contact: Paul Penna, Director of Government Affairs, ppenna@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x110.

Federal Issues

President Releases FY27 Federal Budget Proposal

President Trump's annual Federal Budget Proposal was released on April 3, marking the start of the federal fiscal year 2027 budget and appropriations process in Congress.

[Read more: President Releases FY27 Federal Budget Proposal](#)

Contact: Paul Penna, Director of Government Affairs, ppenna@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x110.

Federal Executive Order on Accelerating Federal Permitting

Last summer, the White House released the Executive Order on Accelerating Federal Permitting of Data Center Infrastructure. EPA recently issued guidance pursuant to the EO.

[Read more: Federal Executive Order on Accelerating Federal Permitting](#)

Contact: Paul Penna, Director of Government Affairs, ppenna@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x110.

Also of Interest

Guidebook Available for Local Soccer Celebrations

The FIFA World Cup 2026™ approaches, and with it, municipalities around the state have an opportunity to celebrate an international event. The North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA) was joined by Downtown New Jersey for the "From Streets to Stadiums Guidebook Launch and Workshop," a recent webinar to show communities and businesses how to turn ideas from the recently released NJTPA guidebook "From Streets to Stadiums" into action.

Dave Baron, Executive Director of the NJTPA, noted the guide looks at placemaking and how it can be used to turn public spaces into soccer-themed destinations. "So, whether you're activating a central plaza area or a downtown or community park or a parking lot, I think this guide will inspire you to think creatively about how to do that."

Read more about it in this week's NJ Municipalities blog post: [Guidebook Available for Local Soccer Celebrations](#)

Want to share your local story in the blog or print magazine? Please send in your 300- to 1,200-word items and photos.

Contact: Amy Spiezio, Editor, aspiezio@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x123.

Save the Date: Governor's Housing Conference

Save the Date. The Governor's Conference on Housing and Economic Development will be on September 29 and 30 at Harrah's Resort Atlantic City.

[Read more: Save the Date: Governor's Housing Conference](#)

Contact: Paul Penna, Director of Government Affairs, ppenna@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x110.

New Jersey Digital Government Summit Set for May 5

The New Jersey Digital Government Summer, a free educational event for municipal and state technology staff, will be held on Tuesday, May 5. Preregistration is required.

[Read more: New Jersey Digital Government Summit Set for May 5](#)

Contact: Taran Samhammer, Director, Communications, Marketing & Technology, tsamhammer@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x124.

Rutgers Center for Government Services Public Purchasing Forum

The Rutgers University Center for Government Services 56th Annual Public Purchasing Educational Forum is scheduled for April 28-30.

[Read more: Rutgers Center for Government Services Public Purchasing Forum](#)


Contact: Erin Knoedler, Legislative Analyst, eknoedler@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x116.


Advertiser Spotlight


The advertisement consists of two main sections. The top section features the H2M logo (H, 2, M) and the text 'architects + engineers.' to the left of a circular image of a construction worker in a hard hat and safety vest looking at plans. To the right of the image is a dark blue banner with white and yellow text: 'BEHIND ON NJDEP MS4 COMPLIANCE DEADLINES? H2M CAN HELP.' and a yellow button with 'H2M.COM'. The bottom section features the logo for 'George Ely ASSOCIATES Athletic, Park, & Playground Equipment' on the left, a central image of various playground equipment including a slide and a structure, and the 'PLAYWORLD' logo on the right with the tagline 'The world needs play.' and a red oval button that says 'Available on STATE CONTRACT'.

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