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**Gloucester County to Offer Free College Degrees!**

**The Gloucester County Board of Chosen Freeholders, in cooperation with Rowan College at Gloucester County (RCGC), is proud to announce a full-tuition and fees Internship Scholarship Program as part of its ongoing mission to transform the lives of students.**

Beginning Fall 2016, twenty RCGC Internship Scholars will receive full tuition and fee scholarships, renewable for one year along with field-specific work experience. All candidates will be Gloucester County high school seniors ranked in the top 20 percent for the seventh semester graduating class ranking who have completed a college preparatory program of study. Other eligibility requirements apply.

**The Gloucester County/RCGC Internship Scholarship Program will include:**

- Full tuition and fees to attend RCGC
- Valuable work experience in their field of study
- Scholarship renewal for a second year based on successful completion of program requirements

Prospective students interested in this scholarship opportunity should visit the Career and Academic Planning (CAP) Center website at [www.cap@rcgc.edu](http://www.cap@rcgc.edu) or call 856-464-5229 as well as submit their admissions application. Students interested in visiting the campus should visit [future@rcgc.edu](mailto:future@rcgc.edu) or call 856-415-2220 to make an appointment or register for the upcoming Open House on March 22, 2016 from 5:30 to 8 PM.



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## Nature Center at Scotland Run Park

980 East Academy Street  
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(856) 881-0845

The Nature Center, located at Scotland Run Park in Clayton, has a small museum of nature artifacts and displays, and is open to the general public Tuesday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. When classes are not in session there is staff available. There is a full time Naturalist and a small resource center with information on environmental education and natural history.

The Nature Center is mainly used for instruction. Organized groups such as the South Jersey Land and Water Trust hold their meetings at the Nature Center. A small picnic area located in the backyard serves as an outdoor classroom and campfire area.

Monthly programs include Bird Walks, Scout Saturdays, Nature Tots and Afternoon Nature Strolls. Go to [www.gloucestercountynj.gov](http://www.gloucestercountynj.gov) and click on the calendar to see what is coming up!

**Become a Naturalist!** Volunteer to help present the many programs at Scotland Run Park and Nature Center. You will learn about our Native plants, wildlife, habitats, natural history and so much more. Enjoy the Natural beauty of Scotland Run Park and share your knowledge with others.

## Upcoming Events

**April 13 at 7 pm** - Gloucester County Veterans Federal Medal Ceremony, Bankbridge Regional School, Deptford, call Gloucester County Veterans Affairs for more info 856-401-7660

**May 17 at 9 am** - Senior Health & Fitness Day at Auletto's, call Senior Services 856-384-6900

**June 18 from 8 am to 12 noon** - County Shredding Event, Government Services Building, Clayton for more information call Gloucester County Consumer Affairs at 856-384-6855

For more events and information visit [www.gloucestercountynj.gov](http://www.gloucestercountynj.gov)

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## Coming this Spring to the Whittall House!

Freeholder Frank J. DiMarco announced that a new, family friendly interactive space will open this spring at the Ann and James Whittall House at Red Bank Battlefield. The little addition off of the kitchen will be The Patti Kehler Memorial Educational Room, in memory of a long-time volunteer. The Kehler family is donating all of the materials for the room that will include costumes, books, chairs, toys and more.

The space is designed for children ages 2-10 to explore colonial history after touring the house. Dress up, coloring activities, colonial toys, and a special "Write a letter to a Whittall child" station will be featured. Kids can write a letter to Job or Sara Whittall and it will be answered (by a docent). Interpretative posters will discuss childhood in colonial America and facilitate conversations between parents and their children.



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# Todd Herremans presents \$10,000 Donation to the Gloucester County Veterans Advisory Council's Veterans Helping Veterans program



Former Philadelphia Eagle Offensive Lineman #79 Todd Herremans presented the Gloucester County Veterans Advisory Council's Vets Helping Vets program with a \$10,000 donation.

Freeholder Director Damminger said, "This is the third time the Todd Herremans' Foundation has donated to the Vets helping Vets program and we are honored to have been chosen again to receive this generous donation and cannot

thank the Foundation enough. It is nearly impossible to repay our veterans for the sacrifices they have made while fighting for our Country and this donation will go a long way in helping our local veterans in need."

Freeholder Giuseppe (Joe) Chila, Liaison to the Veteran's Advisory Committee said, "The Vets Helping Vets program provides assistance to local veterans for a whole range of needs, from helping needy veterans with energy bills or getting them the necessary supplies for a job. Every penny of this donation will be used to help local veterans."

Veterans in need of assistance should first call the Gloucester County Office of Veteran's Affairs at 856-401-7660 to see if they qualify for veterans programs.

Freeholder Jim Jefferson and the Gloucester County Veterans Advisory Council accepted a \$10,000 donation on behalf of Vets for Vets from Todd Herremans Foundation.

## March = Tire Amnesty

March 2016 has been designated as "Tire Amnesty Month" in Gloucester County. Gloucester County will accept used tires from county residents and municipalities at the Solid Waste Complex in South Harrison, March 1 through March 31, Monday - Friday and during a special Saturday drop-off on March 19.

The County has successfully removed 212,415 tires from the waste stream since this program began in 2001. Tires can be an eyesore and a primary breeding ground for mosquitoes that can carry West Nile Virus.

March is the only time tires are accepted at the County Solid Waste Complex during the year. The collection in March allows for the tires to be shredded in April, before the mosquito breeding season. The collected tires are ground to chips that are used for construction projects within the facility.

County residents can dispose of up to 25-passenger car and passenger pick-up tires at no cost at the Gloucester County Solid Waste Complex, 493 Monroeville Rd. (Route 694) in South Harrison Township, Monday - Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., and on Saturday,

March 19 from 8 a.m. until 12 noon, rain or shine.

No tractor trailer/oversized/heavy equipment tires will be accepted. A list of certified tire disposal facilities will be available for anyone that may need a service for larger tires.

For more information on the 2016 Gloucester County Tire Amnesty Program please contact GCIA/Office of Recycling at (856) 478-6045.



## Household Special Waste Collection Days

### Gloucester County announced the dates for the County's 2016 Household Special Waste (HSW) Collection Program.

This free service for Gloucester County residents allows the drop-off of old oil-based paint, motor oil, antifreeze, rechargeable batteries, CFL bulbs, fluorescent tubes, solvents, pesticides, pool chemicals, and similar materials for recycling, reuse, and/or proper disposal. Latex paint is not accepted and must be dried out with kitty litter and placed in the regular trash. Businesses are not permitted to participate.

Freeholder Director Damminger said, "During 2015 over 85,225 pounds of household special waste materials was collected from 2,240 residents. This program keeps waste out of the regular trash stream that could be harmful to our environment."

- HSW will be accepted at the Gloucester County Solid Waste Complex, 493 Monroeville Rd. (County Rt. 694), South Harrison Township on Saturday, **April 16 and September 24.**
- HSW will be accepted at the Gloucester County Public Works Department, 1200 N. Delsea Dr., Clayton on Saturday, **May 21 and October 15.**
- All events are conducted rain-or-shine and start at 8 a.m. and end at 2 p.m. **No materials will be accepted after 2 p.m.** Residents must adhere to the posted event times; materials cannot be accepted after the closing time.

The drop-off events are limited to **Gloucester County residents only**. Commercial businesses are prohibited from participating. For further information on the 2016 HSW Collection Program or to have a detailed brochure mailed to you that includes all materials accepted and maps to the drop-off sites, please contact the GCIA/ Office of Recycling at 478-6045.

**You can also check out the Recycling Link at [www.gcianj.com](http://www.gcianj.com).**

## New Low Cost Spay/Neuter Clinic Open to County Residents

Opened last November, the county constructed the new building to help reduce stray and unwanted animals and offer residents a more convenient and cost effective alternative for spay and neuter services.

**The clinic is operated by People for Animals.**

**Call 856-243-5211 for information and an appointment for your pet.**



## Gloucester County MEGA JOB FAIR

Wednesday, March 23  
9 a.m. to 12 noon

Rowan College  
at Gloucester County  
Gymnasium

1400 Tanyard Road  
Sewell, NJ 08080

### Free Admission & Free Parking

Meet employers with job openings including: full and part time, seasonal, health care, retail, education, & financial services.

Dress for success, bring copies of your resume and be prepared to interview on-site.

For more information call the Gloucester County Office of Economic Development at 856-384-6963