

SOME NEWS FROM THE CHAMBER ...



Metuchen Area Chamber of Commerce



Memorial Day, 1928. Metuchen residents of all ages showed patriotic pride for the Stars and Stripes and their home town. Pictured here is a U.S. Army detachment from Camp Raritan marching down Main Street.

1928 WAS A busy year in Metuchen.

A handful of families founded a new synagogue, **Neve Shalom** ... the **Free Public Library of Metuchen** was acquired by the Borough ... **St. Francis Cathedral School** opened its doors ... media entrepreneurs James Forgione and H.A. Rumler built a new theatre and called it **The Forum**.

And Metuchen held its first **Memorial Day Parade**.

On Monday, May 30, 2016, the **89th Annual METUCHEN MEMORIAL DAY PARADE & CEREMONY** kicks off at 10:00 a.m. (rain or shine), hosted by Metuchen Area Chamber of Commerce and sponsored by Metuchen Savings Bank.

THIS YEAR'S THEME is "**Honoring Our Military Heroes**" with Metuchen's **Austin Banks** serving as Grand Marshal. Mr. Banks is a WW II U.S. Marine Corps veteran and recipient of the Congressional Gold Medal in recognition of his combat service.

Ceremony entertainment will be provided by **The NJ Symphony Orchestra Brass Quintet**.

The Chamber invites all civic groups and businesses to participate. We're looking for volunteers, parade drivers and marching units, with a special invitation to veterans and active duty personnel home on leave.

And we're seeking fiscal sponsors that encompass several levels including your own personal message of support, encouragement or memorial tribute that will be featured in our Memorial Day Ceremony Program.

[Click here](#) for sponsorship and memorial message details.

TO REGISTER YOUR UNIT for the parade, call our office at (732) 548-2964 by Friday, May 13. Veterans and Active Duty Personnel please contact the Metuchen Area Chamber of Commerce, so that special arrangements can be made for their participation.

For glimpses of last year's parade, [click here](#).



Memorial Day Parade 2015 (courtesy Metuchen Living)

UPCOMING CHAMBER SEMINARS & NETWORKING EVENTS:

Apr. 5, 12, 19: [Online Marketing - Making Social Media Work for You](#)

9:00 a.m-12:00 noon. [Susan Wilcox of e-Dynamic Marketing](#) delivers a 3-part education series designed to help business owners take full advantage of social media, email marketing and online promotions to generate sales and grow their business. YMCA Office, 483 Middlesex Avenue, Metuchen. [No fee for Chamber members](#); non-Chamber members \$15. [Register Here.](#)

Apr. 19: 1st Annual Metuchen Chamber VIDEO AWARDS Networking Event.

5:00-7:00 pm, Metuchen Inn, 424 Middlesex Ave., Metuchen. \$10 Chamber members, \$15 non-members. Hors d'oeuvres, cash bar. RSVP: (732) 548-2964 or metuchenchamber@optimum.net.

Apr. 21: Metuchen NJ Home-Based Business Meetup. 5:00-7:00 pm, 1st Presbyterian Church of Metuchen, 4271 Woodbridge Ave., Metuchen. Open to all Home-Based Business Owners; admission-free but please bring at least 1 food item for Church Food Pantry. RSVP: (732) 548-2964 or metuchenchamber@optimum.net.

Apr. 26: [Does Your Business Have an Emergency READY Plan?](#)

8:00 a.m-9:30 am. Business restoration specialist Chris Schoen of SERVPRO Edison shows how to prepare your business for the unexpected. Metuchen Public Library 480 Middlesex Ave., Metuchen. No fee for Chamber members; non-Chamber members \$15 donation to Friends of Metuchen Library. Must register: (732) 548-2964 or metuchenchamber@optimum.net.



2016 Metuchen Fairs & Festivals



- * **April 16 - [Townwide Garage Sale Registration](#)** (signup by Apr. 9)
- * **May 2 - [Golf Outing Registration](#)** (signup by Apr. 29)
- * **May 22 - [2016 Street Fair Vendor/Exhibitor Application](#)** (signup by Apr. 20)
- * **[2016 Car Cruise Sponsorship](#)** (signup by Apr. 8)
- * **[2016 Junebug Performers/Writers Application](#)** (signup by Apr. 15)
- * **[2016 Junebug Visual Artists Application](#)** (signup by Apr. 15)

	<p>18th Annual Spring Townwide Garage Sale April 16th 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Participating Home Directory Available at Metuchen Area Chamber of Commerce 323 Main Street Suite B, Metuchen More Info >></p>		<p>Cruise Nights May 4, June 1, July 13, August 3 & September 14 6 PM to 8:30 PM Downtown Main Street Metuchen Learn More >>></p>
 <p>Drivers Needed</p>	<p>24th Annual GOLF Outing May 2nd at the Metuchen Country Club 8AM - 3PM Learn More >>></p>		<p>20th Annual Spring Street Fair May 22nd Booth Application Deadline April 15th Applications & to Learn More >>></p>
	<p>Memorial Day Parade May 30, 2016 10:00 AM - 12:30 AM Ceremony At Edgar Middle School more >></p>	<p>JUNEBUG ARTFEST <small>DOWNTOWN METUCHEN • EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT IN JUNE</small></p>	<p>AMAZING Happens Every Saturday Night in June from 6 - 10 PM at the JuneBug ArtFest <small>June 4, 11, 18, 25</small> Learn More >></p>
	<p>Metuchen Farmers Market Every Saturday 9 AM - 2 PM June 18th - November 19th Metuchen Senior Center Parking Lot Learn More >>></p>	<p>METUCHEN: New Jersey's Center for Fairs, Festivals and FUN!</p> 	

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