

CITY OF PATERSON

QUALITY OF LIFE E-Newsletter

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Mayor's Farewell Message



Thank you citizens of Paterson. It has been my honor to be your Mayor for the last approximate 8 months. When I first embarked on this adventure, I viewed it as my duty to the city I love. However, while I hope that I have left the City of Paterson a little better as a result of my efforts, this city has given me much more by allowing me to serve. It is a daunting task to govern the third largest city in the state. People ask me where you get the energy. The simple truth is that the energy comes from the citizens of Paterson. I have been able to complete this task as a result of the support and active efforts of each and every one of you.

As your Mayor, I appointed a new police chief and fire chief. I know that Police Chief Oswald and Fire Chief McDermott will use all their efforts to keep the citizens of Paterson safe. Our police and fire departments have grown through a series of promotions of deserving individuals including Captain Lourdes Phelan, our first female Deputy Police Chief and Lt. Elizabeth A. Fournier, first female Fire Captain. We are remaking our public service departments to not only keep us safe, but also to interact and communicate with our community at large. In our Community Development Department, faith based and non-profit organizations have continued to build and expand utilizing block grants and other city supports. In my tenure as Mayor, I have been able to cut a ribbon on a new Walgreen Pharmacy, beauty parlor, bodega, and the bridge dedication honoring our late Councilmen, Kenneth and Donald Hayden. I even opened a dog park. For the first time, the State of New Jersey chose to hold their historic preservation conference in Paterson acknowledging our efforts and commitment to further developing our historic district and supporting our national park. Our Public Works Department has been assisting us in cleaning and improving our local parks. My Department of Health & Human Services partnered with the county and several other divisions to open up a homeless shelter this winter to protect our most vulnerable residents and establish a hotline to insure that no resident in the City of Paterson will go without heat when it is cold.

However, I am most proud of the Mayor's Student Ambassador Program. I instituted this program for 7th graders, 8th graders and high school juniors and seniors. It involved student volunteers from 45 schools from within the City of Paterson. This is the first program that has brought together students in both the public and charter schools. Among the many projects that these young people accomplished were community clean up, painting, beautifying, tutoring, community interaction with our police and fire departments, and even encouraging Paterson students to all get library cards. These young people reflect the beautiful diversity of the City of Paterson. They are full of energy and optimism. They are our investment in the future leaders of Paterson. I would like to especially thank Superintendent, Eileen Shafer and Executive Director of Information Services, Terry Corallo for their dedication to the students and our Board of Education.

During my time as Mayor, I have been welcomed by every ethnic group within this city. I have been honored to be invited to participate in cultural and religious events from all groups. It has always been my mission to represent every citizen of Paterson. Our faith in this city is what joins us together despite our differences. I thank you again for the opportunity to serve you. I am proud to have been your Honorable Mayor. On July 1st, the City will enter into its next chapter and I will return to the most important title of all - honorable citizen of Paterson.

Thank you and God Bless the City of Paterson.



Mayor's Student Ambassadors Program



Honorable Mayor Jane E. Williams-Warren
PPS Superintendent Eileen Schafer

The Offices of the Mayor and School Superintendent instituted a Student Ambassador's Program giving opportunity for our elementary and high school students to come together and help to make Paterson a better place to live.

At their first meeting with the Mayor and the Superintendent they received a briefing of the program's expectations. They were asked to identify a project that would prove beneficial to their school and/or surrounding community. The Mayor and the Superintendent asked them to identify a project that they could work on to benefit their school and to also be prepared to report-out their successes during the month of May.

— We are —
STRONGER TOGETHER

There were 42 schools that participated 7th, 8th and high school students engaged in the following activities;

- ◆ Bring spring & science together – planting flowers & herbs
- ◆ Several schools, Eastside Park and immediate school surroundings clean-ups
- ◆ Safety issues – Know your limits Campaign
- ◆ Healthy – get students moving – health campaign, address stress levels
- ◆ Partnered with Library - empowered students to continue reading 10,000 books by end of school year
- ◆ Front of school, planted gardens
- ◆ Fundraiser for animal shelter (raised \$1,000)
- ◆ How to keep Great Falls clean
- ◆ Paint & decorate their schools
- ◆ Book give-a-ways
- ◆ Address speed limits, review traffic signs, recommend increased enforcement
- ◆ Recycling
- ◆ A Nation of Migration – created a diversity club with many nations represented
- ◆ Mentoring program – educating young students re: Red Cross, Health, School
- ◆ Safety Patrol, Black History Month and so much more...







Paterson Senior Association



Presents:



CASINO AND RESORT

Bus Ride

State ID or Passport

Date: July 14, 2018 (Saturday)

Time: 9:00 a.m. Sharp

Pickup Location: C-Town (Madison Avenue)

Ticket Price: \$35.00

Get \$15 Back in Slot Play

50/50 Raffle and Gifts on the Bus.

Contact Person:

DIANE MCCALLUM (973) 767-4030



SUMMER CLASSES FOR WOMEN

Pre-GED

(Pre-test at Registration)

9:00am - 11:45am

PLEASE JOIN US!

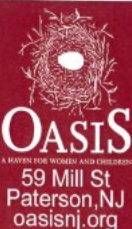
**REGISTER
NOW**

CLASSES
MONDAY - TUESDAY
WEDNESDAY

**JUNE 18 -
JULY 27**

CLASSES \$10

NO CHILDCARE
AVAILABLE



Contact Evelyn Cuciti, 2nd floor
(973) 881-8307 X 120
EvelynCuciti@oasisnj.org



FROM SURVIVING TO STRIVING

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUPPORT
GROUP

EVERY WEDNESDAY

10AM - 11AM (ENGLISH)

11AM - 12PM (SPANISH)

1:30PM - 2:45 PM (ENGLISH)

LOCATION: 59 MILL STREET
3RD FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: JENNIE VEGA 973-881-8307 EXT. 122

Paterson Public Library

announces the

2018 Summer Reading Program "Libraries Rock"

July 2nd - August 10th
at all library locations for
Children, Teens and Adults



You can also visit our Branch Libraries ~ Please call for library hours.

Northside Branch: 60 Temple Street ~ 973.321.1309
Southside Branch: 930 Main Street ~ 973.357.3020
Totowa Branch: 405 Union Avenue ~ 973.942.7198

Main Library: 250 Broadway ~ 973.321.1223
Monday—Thursday 9-8pm
Friday and Saturday 9-5pm

Stop in and get some books for your Summer Reading
and ask for further information about our programs

All programs are FREE for everyone to ENJOY!



@PatersonEcoChic
#PatersonecoChic2



**Paterson Eco-Chic 2
Summer Chic Fun
at
The Paterson Museum
July 11th 10:30am to 2:30pm
Register Now at
cdeutsch@patersonnj.gov
Limited spaces! RSVP by July 1st**

Summer Chic Fun! Eco-Chic 2 Workshop by **Artist Teresa De Fabrizio**

Looking for something to unlock your creativity and help out the environment this summer? **The Paterson Museum** presents the Eco-Chic 2 Workshop, Wednesday July 11th from 10:30-2:30. Kids aged 10 and up are welcome to come in and design their own eco-friendly tote bag to take home! Your creation will be spotlighted on the Eco-Chic Instagram! Have fun, learn about our environment, and enjoy a light lunch. Registration is free, but spots are limited, so register today to secure your place!

***All materials and a delicious light lunch are included but registration is needed by July 1st.**

For information and registration, please contact
Cristina Deutsch at cdeutsch@patersonnj.gov
or call the Paterson Museum at
973.321.12.60 ext. 2407



The Paterson Museum
2 Market Street
Paterson NJ 07501

This project is made possible, in part by a grant administered by the
Passaic County Cultural & Heritage Council from funds granted by New Jersey State Council on the Arts.

DIVISION OF SENIOR SERVICES



The Paterson Division of Senior Services provides transportation services to our seniors & disabled citizens through the Para-Transit Program.

- ⇒ **Doctor Appointments**
- ⇒ **Medical Treatments**
- ⇒ **Grocery Shopping**
- ⇒ **Nutrition Sites (include DSS Center)**
- ⇒ **VA Hospital**
- ⇒ **Recreation Trips**

The Division of Senior Services works towards enhancing the quality of life for Older Americans & Individuals with Disabilities who are residents of the City of Paterson.

Advisory Councils (Aging & Disabled) advocate & assist in the full inclusion & fair representation of residents who are sixty years of age or older & residents of any age who have disabilities.

Title VI Non Discrimination Policy and Transportation Program Complaint forms can be found on the patersonnj.gov website under the Department of Health & Human Services – Senior Services & Transportation Division.

[Title VI Non Discrimination Policy - Transportation Program](#)
[Title VI Non Discrimination Policy - Complaint Form \(English\)](#)
[Formulario de Quejas Titulo VI Poliza No Discriminacion \(Espanol\)](#)
[Title VI Non Discrimination Policy - Complaint Form \(Arabic\)](#)



Call 973-653-5932 for details



"We Now Have 2 New Buses"



YMCA of Paterson Mommy/Daddy & Me Swim Lessons

At parent/child classes, you can play, bond and move with your baby and toddler!



At the Paterson YMCA our Mommy and Me classes aren't just for mommies. Kids ages 6 months – 5 years are free to explore, create and learn with their mom, dad or any caregiver. This is your first opportunity to expose your infant to the wonderful world of water and safety. The focus for this class is to ensure your baby's first experience is a positive one by guiding both the baby and parent in basic water orientation. You and your child will experience a class filled with personal safety skills, beginner swimming techniques and basic water adjustment.

**Tuesdays and Thursdays
6:30pm–7:15pm**

Monthly sessions last four weeks and begin the first Tuesday of every month. The last scheduled class of the month is reserved for open swim.

Children are required to wear a swim diaper .

Registration is held and prequired the last week of the month prior to the next monthly session and is on a FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED basis.

Minimum of five (5) persons is required for each session.

Fee:	Annual Members	\$55 per four week session
	Non-members	\$75 per four week session.

Must be an ANNUAL member in order to receive promotional rate

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS:

**YMCA of Paterson
Aquatics Department
128 Ward Street
Paterson, NJ 07505**

**Phone: 973-684-2320
ex. 40
Fax: 973-684-3089**





THE GREENEST PLACE

CITY GREEN'S ANNUAL GARDEN CONTEST

THE GREENEST PLACE IN PATERSON GARDEN CONTEST A CITY GREEN COMMUNITY EVENT

Enter your garden in City Green's "Greenest Place in Paterson" Garden Contest! If you have a special place in your home, church, school or neighborhood that you think is worthy of recognition, we would love for you to join us. There will be winners in many categories and participation is free! Both flower and vegetable gardens of all sizes are welcome to join. The application deadline is June 29th. Judging takes place in the summer. The Awards Ceremony is September 6th. Contact Erin for an application. 973-869-4086 or emaguire@city-green.org



THE GREENEST PLACE IN PATERSON

GARDEN CONTEST APPLICATION



Gardener's Name			
Address of Garden			
Daytime Phone #		Email Address	
Please select the category which you're competing in			
Best Vegetable Garden ____		Best Use of Art in the Garden ____	
Best Flower Garden ____		Best Church Garden ____	
Best Curb Appeal ____		Best Overall Garden ____	
Best Container Garden ____		Green Your Block ____	
Most Creative Garden ____		Best Government Garden ____	
Best Garden at a Business ____		Rookie of the Year Garden ____	
* What is the best month to judge your garden? (circle one) June July August			
<p>Please completely fill out this application and return it to City Green at 171 Grove St. in Clifton, NJ 07013. You can also email us the application at emaguire@city-green.org or fax it to us at 973-998-0682</p>			
<p>Important Dates Application Deadline: Friday June 30th</p>			
<p>Garden Contest Awards Ceremony: Thursday, September 6th, Rain Date is Friday, September 7th.</p>			
<p>The "fine print"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only gardens located in the City of Paterson are eligible to apply • Photos will be taken of registered gardens and may be used for press or marketing purposes. • Gardens may only win in ONE category per year • City Green has the right to choose the appropriate category for entrants if one has not been chosen • Grand Prizes and runners up will be awarded in all categories, certificates of participation will be given to all registrants. • Judging criteria will include: General Appeal, Use of Color, Creative Use of Space, Plant Material and Quality, Neatness and Tidiness of Garden 			

Up-Coming Events

June 16

"Annual African Heritage Parade" Kickoff 10am Sharp @ Masonic Temple 224 Martin Luther King Jr. Way (Broadway) - For more info **Vendors** (Tiffany) 973-418-1364/**Parade** (Ada) 862-823-5483

June 20

GAPA (Grandparents as Parents Alliance) Annual Picnic 11am - 2pm @ 60 Temple Street - For more info call 973-356-3079 or 973-460 1670

June 23-24

Bethel AME Presents: CHRIST Street Ball Tournament 4vs4 AND 1 SUB \$5,000 Cash Prize for the Winning Team of each Division - **THREE DIVISIONS (Juniors * High School * Unlimited) @** Montgomery Park - Leave a message 973-523-2048 **Team Sign Ups for Paterson, NJ Residents Only**

July 6

"Passaic County Public Health Partnership at Willowbrook Mall" - Health Screenings and Emergency Preparedness Awareness - Near Champs Store & Sears Wing 11am - 3pm For more info 973-881-4398 **FREE: Blood Pressure & Glucose Screenings, Glucose Health Education & Emergency Preparedness Info**



In addition to previously mentioned events...please look to support the following:

MON—FRI Paterson Division of Health has PrEP Tests available at 176 Broadway, Paterson from 9am—4pm for more info call Yesenia at **973-321-2735**;

MON—FRI Paterson Division of Health has Hepatitis C Screening available at 176 Broadway, Paterson from 9am—4pm and on the DOH Medical Mobile Unit for more info call **973-321-1277**;

MON—FRI "The St. Paul's Community Development Corporation's Next Step Workforce Development Program" provides classes in Adult Basic Education/Special Needs (SOAR), GED Preparation and Testing, Vocational Culinary, as well as computer literacy and employable soft skills. The program also administers the WIOA Youth Program and the Breaking the Cycle Initiative For info go to Center City Mall, 301 Main St., Paterson or call **973-232-1339** 8:30 till 4:30;

TUES & WED—Grandparents Relatives Care Senior Community Resource Center Inc. "Diaper Program" for families with newborns and infants sizes newborn to size 3 —go to 257-259 Rosa Parks Blvd. Paterson, NJ 9am-12pm and 1-3pm;

MON, TUES & WED— Paterson Task Force "CDL Training Course " Class sessions 6-8pm for more info go to 109 Washington Street, Paterson, NJ or call Alvonesha Brown CDL Coordinator **973-219-2333 ext. 109**;

Every Wednesday - Paterson Free Public Library: "The Passaic County Board of Social Services is Here" to Help YOU! Apply for Medicaid; Questions About Assistance; Needs of Social Services; Drop by the Library 250 Broadway, Paterson, NJ (Quiet Study Area) between 12:30pm to 3:30pm - Onsite Parking-for more info call **973-321-1223**;

Every 2nd Thursday of the Month - Paterson Seniors Association Nonprofit Organization 10:45-11:30 am Riverside Vets Building @165 5th Avenue If interested in having lunch contact: **Ms. Diane McCallum 973-653-5932** (for application procedures);

The Emergency Food Coalition is now located at CUMAC 223 Ellison Street - Paterson, NJ 07505 For more info **973-742-5518** 2:00 – 4:00pm For **NEW** referrals;

2nd Thursday Monthly – Pregnant & New Mothers' Group 3:30pm – 4:30 pm Paterson Public Library 3rd floor;

4th Thursday Monthly – Pregnant & New Mother's Group 3:30 pm – 4:40 pm Hispanic Multi-Purpose Center 2nd floor;

First Time Moms – call **973-942-3630**: