



2009
Calendar of Events
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APRIL

11th - Woofin' Paws Pet Fashion Show - 11am at Carey Stadium, 6th St. off the Boardwalk. Dress your pets in their Easter's best.

11th - The Great Egg Hunt - 2:30pm, 11th St. – 14th St. Beach. Five (5) age groups. 50,000 eggs - 2,000 with prizes, 5 grand prize bikes & other grand prizes in each age group.

12th – Easter Sunrise Service - A traditional non denominational service by the sea. All are welcome. 6am, Music Pier, Moorlyn Terrace and Boardwalk.

12th - Easter Fashion Promenade - 1pm, at the Music Pier, Moorlyn Terrace & Boardwalk. Come dressed in your Easter's best to stroll in our Fashion Promenade and meet the Easter Bunny.

18th - Doo Dah Parade - Say goodbye to tax season with this comedy parade complete with over 500 basset hounds. 12 noon on Asbury Ave. from 6th St. – 12th St. and then up to the Boardwalk ending at the Music Pier.

19th – Family End to End Bike Tour – From the south end of Ocean City around the island ending at the Earth Day Celebration at the Bayside Center.

19th – Earth Day Celebration – at Bayside Center, 520 Bay Avenue. Entertainment, environmental exhibits, refreshments and more. 11am – 3pm.

25th - Citywide Yard Sale – at Tabernacle Grounds, 5th & Wesley Ave. 8am – 12noon.

MAY

1st – 3rd – Boardwalk & Downtown Merchant Table Sales – (No Vendors) 6th – 14th Sts. on the boardwalk and Asbury Ave.

2nd - Spring Block Party – 9am – 5pm from 5th – 14th Sts. on Asbury Ave. Over 350 crafters, food vendors, music and more.

7th - Martin Z. Mollusk Day - Come and find out if summer is coming early, 11am at the 9th St. Beach.

9th – 10th – Mothers Day Weekend - "Mother's Are Special in O.C." Flower give away to all moms at participating Boardwalk and Downtown stores, while supplies last.

15th - 17th – Worlds of Wellness – designed to celebrate, educate and move forward into more healthy lifestyles for the mind, body and soul. See interesting vendors from across the country. Music Pier, Moorlyn Terrace & Boardwalk

16th – American Heart Association HeartWalk – Registration begins at 9am at the Sports & Civic Center, 6th & Boardwalk; walk begins at 10:30am.

22nd – Unlocking of Ocean and Business Persons Plunge - Participants dress in business suits, carry brief cases and march into the ocean to the strains of Pomp and Circumstance to welcome the new season. 12noon, Moorlyn Terrace St. Beach.

25th – Memorial Day Service – 11am at Veteran’s Memorial Park, 5th & Wesley Ave.

30th & 31st - Boardwalk Spring Family Fun Fest - Juried Craft Show, Face Painters, Bands, Pony rides at 11th St. 9am – 6pm.

JUNE

5th –7th - Ocean City Flower Show – See beautiful commercial and amateur displays at the Music Pier, Moorlyn Terrace & Boardwalk. Show times are Friday 2pm - 9pm, Saturday 10am - 9pm and Sunday, 10am - 4 pm.

6th – Summer Recreation Programs Sign-up – 9am – 12pm at the Sports & Civic Center, 6th St off the Boardwalk.

17th – 20th – Miss New Jersey – Boardwalk Parade (June 17th), preliminary competitions, and the finals at the Music Pier, Moorlyn Terrace & Boardwalk .

22nd – 26th - July Jubilee – A fun filled week of contests leading up to July 4th complete with taffy sculpting, treasure hunts and more. 11am at the Music Pier, Moorlyn Terrace & Boardwalk.

27th – Antique Auto Show – Over 300 vintage vehicles. Tabernacle grounds, 6th & Asbury Ave.. 9am – 2pm. Boardwalk parade after 2pm.

28th – Ocean City Pops Orchestra Opening Night – Celebrating its 80th Season at the Historic Music Pier, Moorlyn Terrace & Boardwalk. Celebrity guest to be announced.

JULY

- The **Ocean City Pops Orchestra** has performances throughout the summer at the Music Pier.

Every Tuesday through Labor Day -

- Funtastic Tuesdays – 10am – 1pm on Asbury Ave. Entertainment, Face Painters, Balloon sculptors.
- Family Film & Fun Night – 7:15pm at Cornerstone Auditorium at Stainton's Square - 810 Asbury. \$4 per person or max \$15 per family includes: movie, pizza, popcorn and drink.

Every Tuesday through August 12th –

- Radio Disney Tuesdays – 7:30pm, 11th & Boardwalk. Meet Radio Disney personalities and cast members. Music, dances, contests and give-aways.

Every Wednesday through Labor Day –

- Farmer’s Market at the Tabernacle Grounds every Wednesday 8am – 1pm.

Every Thursday through Labor Day –

- Market Days, 10am – 1pm - Asbury Avenue. Entertainment, Face Painters, Balloon sculptors.
- Family Nights, 7:30pm to 9:30pm on the Boardwalk.
- Inn to Inn Tours – Thursdays 2pm – 4pm, pick-up at 7th & Central Ave.
- Beach Walks – South End Location: 59th St. & Central Ave., (Entrance to Corson’s Park) Tuesdays-9am, Wednesdays-6:30pm. North End Location: OC/Longport Bridge Parking Lot (Gardens Parkway) Tuesdays-6:30pm, Wednesdays-9am. Tickets may be purchased on-site. Adults \$1.00 Children \$.50.

2nd – Freckle Contest – 6:30pm at the Music Pier. Registration begins 6pm in front of the Music Pier, Moorlyn Terrace & Boardwalk.

4th – July 4th Bike Parade – Sponsored by the Gardens Civic Assoc.. Registration 8:30am at the Longport Bridge parking lot. Parade begins at 9am.

4th – July 4th Bike Parade – Sponsored by the South OC Improvement Assoc. Registration 8:30am at 40th & Asbury Ave. Parade begins at 10am.

4th – Fourth of July Celebration – Kite flying competition 5pm at Carey Stadium, 6th St. off the Boardwalk, followed by entertainment. A spectacular fireworks display off 9th Street beach at 9pm.

8th - Sand Sculpting Contest – 9am at the 6th St. Beach – the first one of the season.

18th – 30th Annual T. John Carey Master's Swim – 34th St. beach, 6pm.

18th – Huge Summer Arts & Crafts Spectacular: One day only, 10am – 5pm. Carey Stadium and Civic Center just off the Boardwalk at 6th St. Over 250 juried crafters, artists, photographers and gourmet food specialists.

22nd – OCBP Women's Lifeguard Invitational Races – 34th St. beach, 6pm.

24th – Merchants in Venice Seafood Festival – Come and feast on some of the best seafood in the area and enjoy entertainment and rides for the kids. 5pm – 9pm. 6th – 9th Sts. on Asbury Ave.

25th – Night in Venice – The City's annual boat parade is one of the largest in the world. Starts at 7:30pm from the Longport Bridge to Tennessee Ave. along the bay.

AUGUST

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5th – Sand Sculpting Contest – 9am at the 6th St. Beach, the second one of the season.

5th – Miss Crustacean Hermit Crab Beauty Pageant – the original beauty contest for crustaceans. The winner receives the Coveted Cucumber Rind Cup and gets to walk down a flowery runway. 1pm at the 6th St. Beach.

5th – Hermit Crab Races – Watch as some of the fastest crabs in the universe compete for the King of Klutz Plaque immediately following Miss Crustacean at the 6th St. Beach.

6th – 8th – The 9th Annual Art of Surfing – at the Ocean City Music Pier. Hours: Thurs. 7pm – 10pm, Fri. & Sat. 12noon – 10pm. It is a FREE family event featuring original art from surfing's biggest names, live music, and a chance to meet artists from across the country.

7th – 9th – 46th Annual Boardwalk Art Show – Leading artists from throughout the East Coast exhibit and sell their work. Traditionally an ideal place to buy fine artwork at reasonable prices. Hours: Fri. & Sat. – 10am – 6pm, Sun. 10am – 4pm.

11th – Pamper Scamper – Annual baby crawling race 9am registration, 9:30am start at the 6th St. Beach.

13th - 100th Annual Baby Parade – 10:15am, the Centennial Anniversary of one of the oldest baby parades in the country. Boardwalk, 6th – 12th Sts..

13th – Twins Contest - 6:30 pm .Prizes for those who look the most and least alike. Registration begins at 6pm in front of the Music Pier, Moorlyn Terrace & Boardwalk.

15th – Miss Ocean City Pageant - 8pm at the Ocean City Music Pier, Moorlyn Terrace & Boardwalk. Scholarship pageant sponsored by the Ocean City Exchange Club. For more information call 525-9300.

17th – 21st – Weird Week – Wacky But Not Tacky these events are fun for the entire family. 11am each day at the Music Pier, Moorlyn Terrace & Boardwalk.

21st - Little Miss Ocean City Pageant – Scholarship pageant for girls 8-11years old. For registration information call 609-525-9304.

SEPTEMBER

11th – 13th - Street Rod Weekend – Features classic cars on display at the Sports & Civic Center, 6th St. off the Boardwalk and on the Boardwalk, Sat., 12noon – 4pm.

19th – Ocean City Airport Festival – Annual festival at the Municipal Airport, 26th & Bay Ave. 10am – 3pm. Features include a ground display of unusual airplanes ranging from World War II planes to Classics and Warbirds. Meet the performers for the next day's Aerobatic Air Show.

20th – Boardwalk Aerobatic Airshow – 1pm – 3pm. 6th – 14th Streets. Thrill to some of the best stunt pilots and aerobatic champions in the world.

27th – Corvette Show - Over 350 cars exhibited. One of the largest shows of its kind in the East. Models from every year Corvettes were manufactured comprise this colorful show. Displayed on the boardwalk from 6th – 10th St., 11:30am – 4pm.

OCTOBER

3rd - MS Bike-a-thon – Over 7000 bikers raise over \$3 million for the Delaware Valley MS Society.

3rd - Citywide Yard Sale – Table Sales will be featured at the Tabernacle Grounds, 6th and Asbury Ave. and yard sales throughout the City. 8am – 12noon.

3rd – 4th - Boardwalk Fall Family Fun Fest - Juried Craft Show, Face Painters, Bands, Pony rides at 11th St. 9am – 6pm.

3rd & 4th – 4th Annual Boardwalk Car Show - See some of the auto industry's newest models on the boardwalk throughout the weekend.

3rd & 4th – Boardwalk & Downtown Merchant Tables Sales – (No Vendors) 6th – 14th Sts. on the Boardwalk and Asbury Ave..

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10th – 12th - Indian Summer Weekend – Seafood vendors at the Music Pier (Sat. – Mon.) and boardwalk table sales.

10th – Fall Block Party – 9am – 5pm from 5th – 14th Streets on Asbury Ave. and the Tabernacle Grounds. Over 400 crafters, food vendors, music and more.

16th – 18th – Faith and Family Weekend – A fun faith filled weekend for the entire family. Information: www.faithandfamilyweekend.org and www.faithandfamilyweekend.com

17th & 18th FREE Hayrides on the Boardwalk - 12noon – 4pm. Passengers may get on and off at 8th and 12th Streets. Free pumpkins, face painting & trick or treating.

24th – Downtown Merchants Trick or Treat – 12noon – 3pm, 6th –14th on Asbury Ave. at participating merchants.

24th – 25th FREE Hayrides on the Boardwalk - 12noon – 4pm. Passengers may get on and off at 8th and 12th Streets. Free pumpkins, face painting & trick or treating.

29th – Halloween Parade – 7:15pm on Asbury Ave. from 6th – 11th Street. Register at the Sentinel Ledger: 1-800-813-5580.

NOVEMBER

7th – Trail of Two Cities – Run/Walk - over the 9th St. Bridge from Somers Point to Ocean City. Registration 7am, Run/Walk 8am.

11th – Veteran’s Day Program - 11am at Veteran’s Memorial Park, 5th & Wesley Ave.

13th –15th - Quiet Festival – A celebration of quiet things.

14th – 15th – Christmas Arts & Crafts Festival - 10am – 5pm both days at the Music Pier, Boardwalk & Moorlyn Terr. Free Parking. \$3 contribution benefits local charities. Children under 12 free.

21st – 22nd – Holiday Celebration of Fine Crafts - 10am – 5pm both days at the Music Pier, Boardwalk & Moorlyn Terr. Free Parking. Presented by the Jersey Shore Artisans Guild. Contribution of \$3 supports area charities. No charge for children under 12.

27th - Christmas in the Downtown – “Our Miracle on Asbury Avenue” 12 noon-6pm. Join the merchants & Chamber in kicking off an old-fashioned Downtown Christmas.

27th - Christmas Parade – 7pm, 6th – 11th Street on Asbury Ave. Santa Claus is coming to town.

28th & 29th - Photos with Santa – 12pm – 3pm at the Music Pier.

DECEMBER

5th & 6th – Train Show – Music Pier, Boardwalk & Moorlyn Terrace, 10am – 5pm. Saturday and 11am – 4pm Sunday. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$1 for children.

5th & 6th – FREE Horse & Carriage Rides – 12noon – 3pm, in front of City Hall, 9th & Asbury Ave.

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19th – Breakfast with Santa – 9am – 12noon, at the Chatterbox, 9th & Central Ave. For reservations call 609-399-0113.

19th & 20th - FREE Horse & Carriage Rides – 12noon – 3pm, in front of City Hall, 9th Asbury Ave.

19th & 20th - Photos with Santa – 12pm – 3pm at the Music Pier.

19th – Carolfest – 7:30pm at the Music Pier, Boardwalk and Moorlyn Terrace.

31st – First Night New Years Eve Celebration – A complete schedule of entertainment leading up to fireworks at midnight.

JANUARY 2010

1st – 5k Boardwalk Run, 1 pm. For more information call (609) 525-9300.

1st – First Day At The Beach –2pm at the Music Pier, Boardwalk & Moorlyn Terrace. Featuring Ocean City's first dip in the ocean for the New Year.

1st – New Year's Day Shopping Extravaganza – Asbury Ave. from 11am – 4pm.

All dates are tentative. For more information call 1-800-BEACH-NJ or (609) 525-9300.

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