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Director's Chair

It is my distinct pleasure to announce that the Cumberland County Veterans Commission will hold a military medal ceremony in recognition of residents who performed honorable service in the United States Armed Forces. The ceremony will take place Saturday, April 10, 2010 at 1:30 pm at the New Jersey Veterans Memorial Home in Vineland.

The medallion has been commissioned for those veterans of all services who resided in Cumberland County when they entered the military or have since become Cumberland County residents. The medal design incorporates the official County flag, and depicts the County Liberty Bell surrounded by 14 stars representing each of the County's municipalities. It also includes the inscribed date of 1748, which is the year Cumberland County was founded.

To date, 142 medals have been awarded by the County Veterans Commission to men and women of our armed services.

Did You Fill Out Your Census Form?

April 1st is not only known as April Fools Day, but more importantly as Census Day. Every 10 years on this date, the U.S. Constitution requires our nation to be counted.

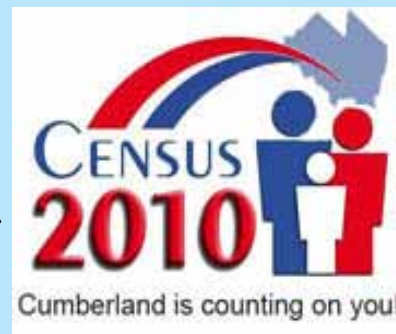
By the middle of March, more than 130 million households across the nation should have received a Census Questionnaire. One of the shortest census forms in history, the 2010

Census questionnaire asks 10 questions and takes about 10 minutes to complete. Completing your census questionnaire is easy, important, and safe, and your participation is essential to ensuring a brighter tomorrow for our community.

The census will count every person living in the United States, both citizens and non-citizens. Census data is used to reapportion the U.S. House of Representatives, re-district each state and determine the distribution of the Electoral College.

Census data also directly affects how more than **\$400 billion** per year in federal funding is distributed to state, local and tribal governments. Most importantly, census data is

critical in determining locations for new hospitals, improving schools, building new roads, expanding public transportation options and creating new maps for emergency responders.



Cumberland Census logo

Only general statistical information is to be collected by the census, and it is illegal to release any specific information about individuals. Even the President of the United States can not gain personal information. By participating in the census, you can help create a better future for you and those important to you. So if you have not already done so, please complete and return your form. **Our Future is in Your Hands!**

Source: US Census Bureau

UEZ hosts Business Reading and Discussion Group

Join us at 5:45pm on Thursday, March 25, 2010, at the Vineland/Millville UEZ office located at 2115 S. Delsea Dr., as we discuss, strategize and apply the principles, methods and concepts of Napoleon Hill's classic tome **Think and Grow Rich***.

You must read the book prior to attending the session. Book is available for purchase through on-line and retail booksellers. You can also check your local library for copies.

This seminar is sponsored by: Cities of Bridgeton, Millville and Vineland, Cumberland Empowerment Zone, Cumberland County Board of Chosen Freeholders, Cumberland County One-Stop Career Center, Cumberland County Improvement Authority, Cumberland Development Corporation, Cumberland /Salem Workforce Investment Board, Vineland/Millville UEZ Program, and The New Jersey Small Business Development Center.

For more information or to register please contact the Vineland/Millville UEZ at (856)563-0440 or email shatten@vinelandmillvilleuez.com. There is no charge for this event. However, registration is required.

2010 Public Meetings

Economic Development Board meets on the second Tuesday of every other month, at 12:30PM. To provide a broadened View of the County, meeting locations vary throughout the year.

- Tuesday April 13, 2010
- Tuesday June 8, 2010
- Tuesday August 10, 2010
- Tuesday October 12, 2010
- Tuesday December 14, 2010

Business and Industry Committee meets at 2:30 pm Location TBD

- Tuesday April 6, 2010
- Tuesday June 1, 2010
- Tuesday August 3, 2010
- Tuesday October 5, 2010
- Tuesday December 7, 2010

Greater Vineland C of C Dandelion and Beer Fest

The Greater Vineland Chamber of Commerce will host a community celebration announcing the beginning of our agricultural season with an evening of dinner and dancing! The Dandelion and Beer Fest event will be held on Saturday, April 10th from 6 to 11pm at Merighi's Savoy Inn in Vineland.

A portion of this year's proceeds will benefit the annual *Greater Vineland Chamber of Commerce Agricultural Scholarship*. This scholarship is presented to a graduating high school senior who is planning to continue his/her education at a recognized school or college for the study of agriculture including animal, plant, aquaculture or other related fields. The intent is to promote the general welfare of agriculture in Cumberland County.

Tickets are \$45 per person with advance purchase and are limited, so reserve early and come join in the fun! For tickets or further information, please call the chamber office at (856)691-7400. All reservations must be paid in advance and are considered confirmed. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Vineland/Millville UEZ Free Workshop

It seems like everyone needs more time. There are simply not enough hours in a day to get to everything we need to do. It is a fixed quantity. You get 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, no more, no less. How you use and allocate that time, however, can make a great difference in your life and the results you achieve.

On Thursday, March 25th at Colonial Bank on South Delsea Drive from 6 - 9pm, Manny Nowak of Nowak Associates Incorporated, will be presenting "How to Create Greater Results Out of the Time You Have".

For more information or to register please contact the UEZ office at 563-0440 or email shatten@vinelandmillvilleuez.com. There is no charge for this event. However, space is limited. This event is co-sponsored by Colonial Bank.

Chamber of Commerce Southern New Jersey Spring Golf Classic

Make sure to mark your calendar for the Chamber of Commerce Southern New Jersey Spring Golf Classic scheduled for May 4th starting at 10:30am. At the Spring Golf Classic you will spend a day at Woodcrest Country Club and experience one of South Jersey's best private courses. Enjoy brunch, cash drink cart, on-course snacks, cocktail reception and a superb sit down dinner. Compete for closest to the pin, longest drive and straightest drive awards and prizes. Hit a hole-in-one on a designated hole. Bet against the pro in a "Beat the Pro" competition for a chance to win a gift certificate to the Pro Shop.

Attendees may register for the cocktail reception & dinner only for \$75 - a great opportunity to network. Contact Blair Kindlick at (856) 424-7776 ext. 20 or at bkindlick@chambersnj.com to register for dinner only.

To register for this event, or for more information, please contact the Chamber of Commerce at (856)424-7776, or visit www.chambersnj.com.