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Morris/Sussex Vicinage Celebrates National Adoption Day

The Morris/Sussex Vicinage will celebrate National Adoption Day with events on Wednesday, Nov. 14 and Friday, Nov. 16.

Sussex County will hold its annual program on Nov. 14 at 3:30 p.m. in courtroom 203 of the Sussex County Judicial Center, 43 High St., Newton.

A brief presentation will feature remarks by Sussex County Bar Association President Janine Cerra and Sussex County Surrogate Gary Chiusano.

Morris County will hold its ceremony on Nov. 16 in courtroom 6 of the Historic Courthouse, 56 Washington St., Morristown. Following a light breakfast for the families, a brief program will begin at 9:30 a.m. Family Division Presiding Judge Maritza Berdote Byrne and an adoptive family will give remarks. Judge Berdote Byrne will then finalize seven adoptions.

National Adoption Day is dedicated to celebrating adoptive families and children across the country. Morris and Sussex counties will honor families who have adopted children during the past year. This celebration is also part of a national effort to raise awareness of children in foster care waiting to find permanent, loving families and to encourage others to adopt.

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Although adoptions are closed to the public, reporters can contact Dawn Carruth, assistant family division manager, at 973-656-4311 with requests to interview families after their adoption proceedings have concluded.