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Morris/Sussex Vicinage to Celebrate National Adoption Day

The Morris/Sussex Vicinage will celebrate National Adoption Day with events honoring families who have adopted children during the past year.

Sussex County will hold its annual celebration on Wednesday, Nov. 13 at the Sussex County Judicial Center, 43 High St., Newton. A short presentation will start at 9:30 a.m. featuring remarks by Sussex County Bar Association President Ursula Leo and Sussex County Surrogate Gary Chiusano. Attendees will be invited to enjoy light refreshments from the Surrogate's Office. The New Jersey Department of Child Protection & Permanency (DCP&P) will hold a celebration for the families off-site on Saturday, Nov. 16 at Skylands Ninja Warrior in Newton.

Morris County will celebrate National Adoption Day on Friday, Nov. 22 at 8:45 a.m. in the Historic Courtroom of the Morris County Courthouse, Washington and Court streets, Morristown. Attendees are invited to a light breakfast sponsored by the vicinage's family division before a short presentation begins at 9:30 a.m. Superior Court Judge Michael P. Wright will oversee adoption proceedings. Before the proceedings, Judge Wright and representatives of organizations that play a role in helping children find homes will give remarks. DCP&P will hold a celebration for the families on Saturday, Nov. 23 at Circle Bowl & Entertainment in Ledgewood.

National Adoption Day is dedicated to celebrating adoptive families and children across the country. This celebration is part of a national effort to raise awareness of the more than 100,000 children in foster care in the United States waiting to find permanent, loving families and to encourage others to adopt.

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Although adoptions are closed to the public, reporters should contact Assistant Family Division Manager Dawn Carruth at 862-397-5700, ext.75180 with requests to interview willing families after their adoption proceedings have concluded.