

# Bordentown City Environmental Commission NEWSLETTER

## Bordentown City Receives Sustainable Jersey Awards



Cathy Elliott-Shaw & Cindy Gallagher, Green Team co-chairpersons hold the plaque presented by Sustainable Jersey officials

The Bordentown City Green Team, a sub-committee of the BCEC, has been awarded **Silver Certification**, on behalf of Bordentown City, from Sustainable Jersey ([www.sustainablejersey.com](http://www.sustainablejersey.com)). Bordentown City also received the award for SUSTAINABILITY CHAMPION (small category) with 390 points, far exceeding the minimum requirement of 150 points.

The Sustainability Champion award recognizes municipalities that have scored the most points in the Sustainable Jersey certification program in three population categories.

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BCEC meetings are held the **2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday** of each month and are open to the public.

Meetings are held at the **Carslake Community Center**  
209 Crosswicks St  
**7:30 PM**

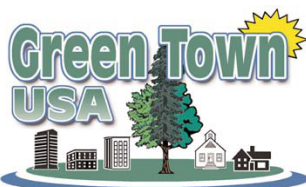
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**City Hall**  
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Bordentown City was named a **Green Town USA** in 2008 by the New Jersey Environmental Lobby.

## **Sustainable New Jersey Awards (continued from first page)**

Currently 399 of New Jersey's 565 municipalities are participating in the program, and only 12 have the Silver Certification. We are extremely proud to count Bordentown City among them. The Bordentown City Environmental Commission and Green Team volunteers spearheaded many activities this year that contributed to Bordentown City's successful Sustainable Jersey application. Highlights included

Bordentown City's 4th Annual Green Fair, Rain Barrel and BackyardComposting Workshops, formation of a Creative Team, a Lighting Fair, education and outreach about the negative impacts of vehicle idling, and establishment of no-idling zones within the City.

Bordentown City Mayor Joe Malone make the following comment:

"The City of Bordentown is a community of deep history, a vibrant business district and most importantly, outstanding and dedicated citizens. We have expanded our awareness in many areas, but one of major significance is the environment. Our Environmental Commission and the Green Team are second to none. The members of the Green Team and Environmental Commission are informed in state of the art information and techniques and offer many practical environmental courses and talks."

## **Interested in the Environment? Want to Make a Difference? Join the GreenTeam!**

As part of the BCEC, the Green Team is a group of dedicated volunteers who really make it happen! The Green Team has played and invaluable part in getting Bordentown City Sustainable Jersey certification (see the lead article in this newsletter). They organize and run the highly-successful Green Fair, and are deeply committed to making and keeping Bordentown City a showplace of sustainability and environmental responsibility. The meetings are held every third Tuesday of the month. More help is needed. Contact via email at: [bordentowncitygreenteam@gmail.com](mailto:bordentowncitygreenteam@gmail.com) or just stop by at the next meeting.



**Did you know that idling your vehicle for more than 3 minutes is against the law in Bordentown and in all of New Jersey?**

That's because vehicle exhaust not only pollutes our air (it is the leading source of hazardous air pollution in New Jersey (source: [NJDEP](http://NJDEP)), but also puts people, especially children, at risk for asthma and other respiratory ailments, allergies, and possible long term problems. In addition, vehicles release potent greenhouse gases.

## **Environmental Calendar 2013-14**

### **Starting November 29**

**Every Friday, Saturday, Sunday through December**

***Old City Hall Holiday Train Show***  
3 p.m. - 8 p.m.

### **Saturday, November 30**

***Bordentown City Tree Lighting***  
Center of Town, 5 p.m.

### **Monday, December 2**

***Bordentown City Planning Board***  
Carslake Community Ctr., 7p.m.

### **Wednesday, December 11**

***Bordentown City Environmental Commission***  
Carslake Community Ctr., 7:30 p.m.

### **Monday, January 6**

***Bordentown City Planning Board***  
Carslake Community Ctr., 7p.m.

### **Wednesday, January 8**

***Bordentown City Environmental Commission***  
Carslake Community Ctr., 7:30 p.m.

### **Monday, February 3**

***Bordentown City Planning Board***  
Carslake Community Ctr., 7 p.m.

### **Wednesday, February 12**

***Bordentown City Environmental Commission***  
Carslake Community Ctr., 7:30 p.m.

### **Monday, March 3**

***Bordentown City Planning Board***  
Carslake Community Ctr., 7 p.m.

### **Wednesday, March 12**

***Bordentown City Environmental Commission***  
Carslake Community Ctr., 7:30 p.m.