

# NEWS

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### PNC Bank to sponsor Fifth Friday Networking Events Series Hosted by Bergen LEADS

North Jersey--PNC Bank's Wealth Management has signed on as the 2013 lead sponsor for Bergen LEADS Fifth Friday, a powerful networking and learning event that attracts leaders from every sector in Bergen County.

Fifth Friday luncheons will take place this year on March 22, May 31 and November 22 at the Stony Hill Inn in Hackensack - the perfect venue for stimulating conversation, a delicious lunch and high profile speakers. Fifth Friday is hosted by Bergen LEADS, the area's premier civic leadership program, which is sponsored by the Volunteer Center of Bergen County.

"Fifth Friday is an excellent fit with our stated purpose of developing networks and exploring current issues," says Amanda Missey, director of Bergen LEADS. "Response to the event has been overwhelming, and we're very excited to have the support of PNC Bank's Wealth Management for the series this year."

"Bergen County continues to grow and flourish. Today, with 32 PNC Bank branch locations and a new PNC Wealth Management office in the area, the region's success is our success," says Linda Bowden, PNC New Jersey regional president. "Success, though, is really about being a good neighbor. We are proud to be deepening our local commitment by supporting Bergen LEADS' Fifth Friday. I can think of no better way to act on the community values we share with the Volunteer Center of Bergen County."

In addition to presenting Fifth Fridays, Bergen LEADS is currently accepting applications for its next class, which begins in September 2013. The online application form for the Class of 2014 can be accessed at [www.bergenleads.org](http://www.bergenleads.org) and is due by April 12. Each candidate must complete a simple individual profile form and provide essay

answers to specific questions. Tuition for Bergen LEADS is \$2,000 per person; scholarship assistance is available for those with financial need.

For more information about the Fifth Friday events, or about Bergen LEADS, call 201-489-9454 Ext. 119.

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