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Governor's Weekly Radio Message Encourages Fall Tourism

Gov. Christie Whitman provides a weekly radio message to radio stations throughout the state. Each week, the message focuses on a different concern or event of interest to New Jerseyans.

This week Gov. Whitman focuses on fall tourism in New Jersey. Labor Day begins a great autumn season in the Garden State. The Governor encourages visits to our state's historical sites or cultural centers such as the Old Barracks Museum in Trenton, Ellis Island, the Performing Arts Center or PNC Bank Arts Center in Holmdel. New Jerseyans can also visit other great places like the beach, a park or a local orchard or farm.

Attached is the text of the message.

The radio message can be accessed by calling the Governor's actuality line at 609-292-3249. It will be available today, beginning at noon, and will run through the weekend.

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What a wonderful summer it has been here in New Jersey. The weather was beautiful. Our beaches and waters were clean and safe for everyone to enjoy. This was a great summer for vacationers. And it was a great summer for every one who loves the Jersey Shore.

Labor Day doesn't signal the end of summer fun for New Jersey vacationers, but rather the beginning of a great autumn season.

Many people find early fall the best time for a Jersey Shore holiday - it's a time of wonderful weather, warm ocean water, and tranquil beaches.

And New Jersey has so much more to offer than just our beautiful coastline. Fall is the perfect time to visit some of New Jersey's historic sites. From the Old Barracks Museum in Trenton to the Sterling Hill Mining Museum, from Ellis Island to Historic Cold Spring Village, our state is rich in history.

Fall is the perfect time of the year to take your family to visit the state-of-the-art Liberty Science Center. And don't forget that many of the state's amusement parks are open on weekends through the fall.

Autumn is possibly the most beautiful time to visit New Jersey's great outdoors. With more than 800 lakes and ponds, over 6,000 miles of rivers, and one million acres of pine forests, there is sure to be something for everyone. Whether you are hiking, boating, or biking, there is no more perfect place than New Jersey in the fall.

Autumn is also a great time to visit some of New Jersey's farms. Take a Saturday afternoon trip to pick apples at an orchard. Take your children for a hay ride. Select your own Halloween pumpkin from a Jersey Fresh pumpkin patch. Plan a visit to one of New Jersey's wineries and enjoy the bounty of New Jersey's farmland throughout the fall.

Don't forget about the cornucopia of cultural opportunities in our state. Attend a performance of the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra at the Performing Arts Center in Newark. Catch a performance at the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn. Enjoy the music of your favorite performers at one of the many concerts given at the PNC Bank Arts Center in Holmdel.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and start making plans to take advantage of all that the Garden State offers as the leaves begin to turn from green to red and yellow.

We are proving that New Jersey and fall vacation plans are perfect together.

