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School Bus Parking at Train Station & Permit Parking at Public Safety Complex 10/26/15 Caucus Meeting

PERTH AMBOY – Ordinance No. 4: First Reading – no public discussion. An ordinance to amend an ordinance entitled “Vehicles and Traffic” (Ordinance No. 194-78 as Amended) Adopted September 19, 1978, Also Known as Chapter 414 Et Seq of the Code of the City of Perth Amboy. RE: Parking by Permit Only in Designated Areas - Front Street Easterly Side from Smith Street to Fayette Street.

Business Administrator Peter Pelissier discussed this ordinance with the Council about removing school buses (owned by a private bus company) that are parked at the Train Station.

Some of the Council Members were not too pleased with this. Councilman William Petrick stated, “I would not like to see more additional metered parking by the Waterfront.”

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez stated, “Some of these buses are from companies that service some school districts



Councilman
Fernando Gonzalez

from other towns, but the drivers live here.”

Councilman Bill Petrick suggested that the Council table the ordinance, but also suggested that there are a lot of unused parking spaces by the Cornucopia (Riverview Drive).

Mayor Diaz came up to voice her opinion, “The buses are generating revenue for us. We’re also looking up to open



Mayor Wilda Diaz

up a second firehouse.”

The Business Administrator decided, “Since there are a lot of disturbances about this ordinance, I will pull it off the agenda since I was the one to put it on.”

The Ordinance was subsequently removed from the 10/28/15 Agenda.

An Ordinance to amend an Ordinance entitled, “Vehicles and Traffic” (Ordinance No. 194-78 as amended) adopted September 19, 1978, also known as Chapter 414 et seq of the Code of the City of Perth Amboy. Re: Parking by Permit Only in Designated Areas – Portion of Public Safety Complex Parking Lot.

Mayor Wilda Diaz came forward to explain this ordinance. “There are a lot of residents in the area of the Public Safety Complex that are utilizing our lots. Someone is willing to pay for parking there for their businesses. This can be done for residents, too. The Parking Utility would handle this. This will begin as a pilot program. A developer is interested in developing a project in that area.”

During the public portion Resident Stanley Sierakowski suggested that there should be designated parking spots for the buses at the train station. “Or maybe they can lease some of the parking spots at ShopRite.”

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Interim B.A. Taken to Task for Remarks He Apologizes

10/26/15 Caucus & 10/28/15 Council Meetings

PERTH AMBOY - 10/26/15 Caucus - Interim B.A. Peter Pelissier directed a remark at Resident Stanley Sierakowski of a personal nature. Pelissier made a reference to Sierakowski still living with his mother at his age. Several members of the audience were taken aback by what they deemed was an inappropriate attack.

A the 10/28/15 Council Meeting Former Councilman Kenneth Balut said, “The new B.A. made a comment about someone living with his mother. He (Pelissier) sued for sick pay when he worked for another City. We are giving him more money. If we gave the last B.A. (Barrick) more money, maybe she would have stayed. Her resume was impeccable. He (Pelissier) was totally unprofessional in commenting about someone staying with their mother without knowing the circumstances. There are a lot of employees who are afraid to speak up about wrongdoings. The PBA filed a lawsuit against the Mayor pertaining to some of the recent promotions made.”

Resident David Caba spoke next about the incident, “Sometimes in life we make mistakes. What this man (Pelissier) said on Monday was mind-boggling. A speaker came up here to apologize to Pelissier for comments made by rude speakers. Is this the person (Pelissier) for the people or the Mayor? I’m here because I care, not because I need something. It’s unprofessional to attack someone about living with his mother.”

Resident Reinaldo Aviles mentioned that we need a functional attorney with everything that’s going on. I’m assuming the Interim B.A. regrets what he said. I think something that was said triggered his comments.”

Aviles questioned the Coun-

cil if they were actively doing a search for a permanent B.A.

Council President Lisa Nanton answered, “Yes, and Pelissier is helping.”

Resident Wilfredo Soto commented that it’s not easy not being on the Council. “Decisions are not easy. You have to give the new people time. You have to listen and grow. We accomplished a lot in 3 years. God Bless You All.”

Mayor Diaz again defended her decision on the hiring of Pelissier as an Interim B.A. citing his experience on redevelopment. She also mentioned that there will be a news conference on November 3rd at the E-Port Logistics Center Ground-breaking Ceremony at 1:00 p.m. at 960-1000 High St. There are more projects coming in, developers and small businesses. The recent Business Expo and Taste Of Perth Amboy brought in newcomers. We did not have a tax increase.”

P.A. Democratic Chair Billy Delgado mentioned a flyer circulating that talked about the Mayor and Quinones being corrupt. “It’s (the flyer) sickening. Some of the individuals in these law firms go rogue and stain the reputation of those firms. Everyone complains about lawyers until they need one. I commend the Council and people who make constructive criticism.”

Interim B.A. Pelissier addressed the comment that he made at the 10/26/15 Meeting where he made personal comments about Sierakowski. Pelissier stated, “At the last Meeting I said something that I regretted. When I was called a Military Coward it affected me.” He related some of his experience when he served in Vietnam. “I’ve met with Gold Star Mothers. (The American Gold Star Mothers Inc. was formed in the United States

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Vacancy on Municipal Boards Prompt Discussions of Roles of the Alternates

PERTH AMBOY -10/26/15 Caucus & 10/28/15 Council Meeting - City Clerk Elaine Jasko had this item on the agenda in reference to moving Alternates on the Zoning Board of Adjustment: Alt#1 Michael Savoia and Alt#2 Scott Farber as regular members of that Board.

Communication 6: Appointing Joel Rosa to the Redevelopment Agency pending Council Approval for an unexpired term expiring 12/31/18.

Communication 7: Appointing Lionel Giron to the same Board for an unexpired term expiring 12/31/18

Former Councilman Ken Balut was concerned because he stated, “You (the Council) interviewed people for the

Arts Council but not for these Boards on the Agenda.

Resident Reinaldo Aviles said, “It’s very important that alternates attend the Board Meetings that they are appointed to.” Aviles mentioned that Savoia has attended all the meetings.

Ken Balut again spoke at the 10/28/15 Council Meeting, “The candidates that the Mayor wants appointed to the Redevelopment Agency should have been interviewed in public.”

Reinaldo Aviles agreed with Balut and told the Council, “You should interview the Mayor’s Board Appointees as you have done in the past.”

Remember To Vote! Election Day Tuesday 11/3/15 Polls Open 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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Team Up to Clean Up

PERTH AMBOY - The City of Perth Amboy, Go Green Team, and P.A.R.T.N.E.R. will be hosting a city-wide clean-up on Saturday, November 7, from 11am-2pm. Meet up location is at Perth Amboy's Waterfront, Sadowski Parkway (La Playita). Sign up with friends, family, and your neighbors to work together and keep our city clean and beautiful. For more information, contact Geri Barcheski at geribarcheski@perthamboynj.org or at 732 826-2010 x4204

Holiday Craft Show

WOODBIDGE - The Catholic Daughters of America#769 are having a Craft Show. Vendors/Crafters Wanted for craft show at St. James Church - Lower Level Main Street and Rte. 35, Woodbridge on Saturday, Dec. 5th from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Set Up: Sat. Dec. 5th at 8 a.m. Cost: \$20 per table. No Refunds. Includes 1 Table & 2 Chairs (only provided by CDA can be used). For questions email: eileenswingle@yahoo.com

Toys For Tots

EDISON - The United States Marine Corps Reserve will be collecting new unwrapped toys for its Toys For Tots Program every Friday, Saturday and Sunday from November 27 to December 20, 2015, in the Menlo Park Mall, Edison, NJ located by Santa Court of the Nordstrom Wing. Cash Donations are also accepted. For more information call Eddy Androvich Sr. at 908-565-1339. Make checks payable to "Toys For Tots." Mail to: Toys For Tots, 70 Marsh Ave., Sayreville, NJ 08872.

Essay Contest

SAYREVILLE - Requirements for the Essay Contest Sponsored by the Sayreville Human Relations Commission - Topic: What are the Promises and Challenges of Living in My Culturally Diverse Community?; Length: No less than 500 words, typewritten (preferably 1.5 spacing); Contact Information: Put your name, grade level, homeroom, and number of words on the last page; Award: A \$100 check to the winner from grades 9 and 10 and a \$100 check to the winner from grades 11 and 12; Due Date: Please mail your essay to the Sayreville Human Relations Commission, 167 Main St., Sayreville, NJ 08872 no later than November 11, 2015. Thank you for your participation. "Celebrate Community - Honor Diversity."

Municipal Board Vacancies

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Aviles did speak highly of appointee Joel Rosa and his interest in the City and how he has been involved in the community. Mayor Diaz defended her decision in appointing these two candidates, "They were raised in the City and have a vested interest in the City. The candidates have to go to classes and they asked me to be put on

these Boards. These positions were advertised on the City's Website."

Some people had mentioned if these positions were advertised. City Clerk Elaine Jasko confirmed that they were advertised for the time frame that was required.

Council President Lisa Nanton explained that candidates for the Arts Council were interviewed because that was a newly created Board. "We had all candidates come forward."

Interim B.A.

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shortly after World War I to provide support for mothers who lost sons or daughters in the war. The name came from the custom of families of servicemen hanging a banner called a Service Flag in the window of their homes. *Wikipedia) Please accept my apologies. I have been attacked at every meeting. I've had failures, but I've learned from them. I've had successes as a father and as a Business Administrator. Let's praise the Police and Fire Departments. I don't know why I and the Acting Law Director are always attacked. If I didn't believe in this Mayor, I would have left in the first week. I'd like to see the Mayor and Council come

together. The Finance Office located in the basement work diligently and have saved the City millions.

He also mentioned meeting the town Historian as he was walking to the Taste Of Perth Amboy. He asked the historian about the Elm Tree in front of City Hall. With that, Pelissier took out a piece of paper supplied by the Historian which gave the history of that tree. Councilman Fernando Irizarry said, "There was wrong on both sides when remarks were made at the 10/26/15 Caucus Meeting. If I was looking at these meetings on TV, I would be afraid to apply for a position if my resume wasn't squeaky clean. You can express yourself, but do so respectfully. Everyone has a right to voice their opinion."

**An Update on
Trap/Neuter Program
10/26/15 Caucus &
10/28/15 Council Meetings**



The Council listens to the update on the Trap/Neuter/Release program.
**Photo by Carolyn Maxwell*

PERTH AMBOY – Ordinance No. 1 First Reading: No Public Discussion: Establishing a Trap/Neuter/Release program. Business Administrator Peter Pelissier said, "The money for this program would come from money received from boarding of animals at the shelter and people redeeming their animals. No trust funds have been set up and no money has been budgeted for this program."

At the 10/28/15 Council Meeting, Pelissier presented more detailed information, "There's a spay and neuter account which is funded through donations only. Presently the account has \$4611. There is a cost of \$55 for each procedure. Grants could not be awarded because no ordinance was in place."

**Attend Public Meetings:
Have Your Voice Heard!**

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Suicide Prevention Workshop

PERTH AMBOY - Sat. Nov. 7th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Brighton Avenue Community Center, 56 Brighton Ave., Perth Amboy.

Community Dinners

PERTH AMBOY - Sundays Nov. 8th & 15th from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Alexander F. Jankowski Community Center, 1 Olive St., Perth Amboy.

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Ricardo Solis at the Kearny Cottage

*Photo by Paul W. Wang



PERTH AMBOY - On 10/25/15 Artist Ricardo Solis gave a lecture at the Kearny Cottage on the restoration of antique pieces and furniture.

Small Business

Shopping Spree

PARLIN – The Friends of Sayreville Public Library is hosting a Small Business Saturday Shopping Spree on Sat., Nov. 28, 2015, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Sayreville Public Library, 1050 Washington Road, Parlin in the Conference Room, Handmade Crafters & Direct Sales Vendors from OUR Community. Friends of the Sayreville Public Library Membership will be available.

Candlelight Prayer Service

PERTH AMBOY - You are invited! Community Candlelight Prayer Service in Response of Homeless and Behalf of the Elderly. Sponsored by Aristacare at Alemeda Center and Perth Amboy Police Chaplain Corps. Sunday, Nov. 22 at 5 p.m. Train Station Parking Area, Smith Street Lot. Followed by Procession at Aristicare at Alemeda Center, 303 Elm St., Perth Amboy. For more info contact Junel Hutchinson at 732-442-9540 ext. 7280.

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LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

EDITORIAL



The Countersuit
A Case for Halloween



Trying to kill a child’s joy - not on our watch. We remember as a kid having a Halloween Parades in grade school. We would dress up in different costumes and walk around the school. In high school, there were Halloween dances where everyone dressed up. At some events prizes were given out for different categories and age groups for the best costume. Even as an adult some of my work locations we would get dressed up for Halloween.

In one building which was occupied by a bank, even employees there dressed in costumes to celebrate the holiday.

Kid’s trick-or-treated when they came home from school and everybody had fun. They carved pumpkins and enjoyed their treats.

What happened? We’ll tell you.

For some reason, individuals will threaten lawsuit, and most of the seemed geared toward

school systems. A lot of times they will take this holiday and want it removed because it’s against their beliefs.

Unfortunately the school system will bow down to that one individual and kill the joy of the majority. Here’s a suggestion: countersue for twice the amount that they are asking if they don’t get their way. Whose rights are infringing on whom?

In grade school I remember we would plant seeds into little pots with dirt and see those seeds grow into a strong plant. Perhaps some of these administrators who bow down to these frivolous demands should plant a seed that will grow into a strong spine and replace their backbones with it.

Not only was Halloween celebrated in the school systems and businesses, but I

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THE COMMUNITY VOICE

Puzzling -
Isn’t It?

Wouldn’t it be nice to see the salaries of the local public employees published? How about the yearly pensions some will receive for the next forty years

or so for not working? After all they do work or have worked for us yet we have no say at all to their earnings or benefits though we are technically their employers. On top of that the taxpayers foot the bill for any legal expenses they incur if

they do their taxes improperly yet as their employers (technically) we cannot fire them. Puzzling, isn’t it?

Michael J. Rusznak

Guns Don’t
Kill People,
Words Kill
People

Well, words don’t actually kill but they enable these idiots to kill. Every time there is a mass shooting, (which is happening way too often), there is an outcry for more and stricter gun laws, as if the lack of gun laws was the problem. If I am not mistaken, it is already against the law to murder someone, but that didn’t seem to stop the whackos that shot up the schools and theaters.

The NRA says that there are plenty of gun laws on the books, and that it’s the lack of enforcement that is the problem. Well, this is not quite accurate.

firemen, PLEA and BARGAIN! This guy was allowed to plea to manslaughter for a reduced sentence, allegedly because he wanted to spare his family the strain of a trial. You just bashed granny’s skull in and you’re worried about your family’s feelings, yea right.

Hello Mr. Prosecutor, Mr. Judge. What part of, “he beat grandma to death with a hammer” didn’t you get? This guy should never have been allowed to plea and never seen the light of day again.

Just recently another police officer was buried, shot by another low life who’s been in the penal system since the age of fifteen. But he was “DIVERTED” to a drug rehab instead of being incarcerated. As I understand this, “JUDICIAL DIVERSION” thing, (a deadly word combination I was not familiar with till now), is supposed to be on a case by case evaluation.

In fact, this guy was up for “DIVERSION” once before. In that case the assistant district attorney came to court with four pages of transcripts documenting this guy’s record of armed robbery at the age of fifteen to drug dealing to murder. Diversion was denied.

The second time a different ADA showed up with less than a page of transcript and gave a half hearted argument. A different judge acknowledged that he knew of the previous offenses but let it slide and sent it to another judge for approval, which it was. And we know the rest of the story.

When interviewed after the shooting, the judge who released (“DIVERTED”) him expressed her sorrow at the murder of this police officer. Well she should be sorry because she killed him, just as sure as if she pulled the trigger herself.

No, we don’t need more gun laws; we need common sense to be injected into our judicial system.

It is already against the law to buy guns in one state and sell them in another if you are not a licensed gun dealer.

If a person is convicted of trafficking guns, it should be

an automatic life without parole.

This brings us to yet more deadly words. I can hear the bleeding hearts whining now; Life without Parole? You can’t do that it would be CRUEL and UNUSUAL PUNISHMENT! NO, it would not be “CRUEL” or “UNUSUAL”, it would be effective. Boiling in oil, burning at the stake, drawing and quartering, that would be “CRUEL” and “UNUSUAL”.

It seems that every time one of these tragic incidents takes place the cry goes out for stricter gun laws. People don’t seem to understand, (or don’t want to), that laws have no effect on the lawless. Gun laws only target law abiding gun owners, just as locks only deter honest people. If a thief wants something bad enough no lock will stop him. Just as a person who wants to kill someone will do it whether or not there is a gun available.

There is a strong movement to abolish the Second Amendment all together. Well if you do that all the other amendments will disappear in short order, let there be no doubt about that.

So if we are serious about reducing gun violence these are a few things that have to be done:

1. Take the laws that are broken and fix them. Put some teeth into the sentencing. Lawmakers should sit down and figure these things out. Burn the midnight oil and forget about whose ass you are going to kiss to get re-elected.
2. Stop releasing repeat violent offenders. How many times does a person have to be convicted of a crime before you realize he or she is just no good?
3. Stop vilifying the police. Give them back the tools they need to do their job. What we are doing to the police I can liken to buying a guard dog to protect your home and family then having his teeth pulled so he doesn’t hurt anybody. It was proven that stop and frisk was working and work-

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Ages 14-18

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This Community Mural Project brings together artists, youth and community organizations to use art as a tool for social change. Its projects beautify neighborhoods, engage youth in societal and personal transformation and give expression to ideas and perspectives that are underrepresented in the public dialogue.



The Community Voice

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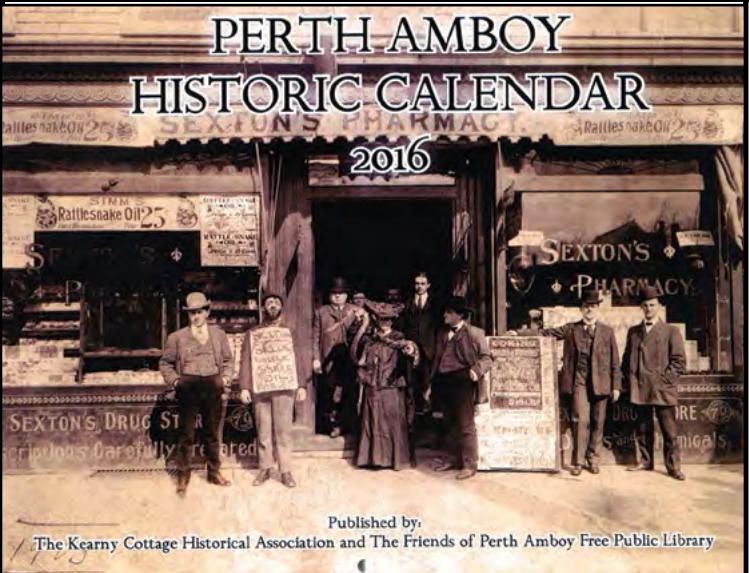
ing well. Some will say that it is a violation of a persons 4th amendment rights. To them I would say; if this person wasn't stopped by an officer who wanted too and then said person later shot your mother in a hold up would you say, "that's ok at least his rights weren't violated"?

4. Stop talking about the accessibility of guns. Guns were much more accessible when I was growing up than they are now. The difference is when I was growing up mass shootings were far and few between, (the only one I can think of is the Texas Tower in 1966), so what is actually happening? The way children are raised these days might be one reason. Discipline and nurturing being replaced by counseling and prescription drugs. I don't know. But whatever it is that is making some people crazy, find out what it is and fix it. Stop blaming the guns.

Joe Bayona

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PERTH AMBOY - The monthly trip to Caesar's Casino, AC will be on Thursday, Nov. 5th. Bus leaves 12 Noon from KOC, 228 High St., Perth Amboy. Cost: \$30 pp. Receive \$30 slot play. For additional info call Joe: 732-826-0819.

Flea Market

PERTH AMBOY - The Perth Amboy High School Music Parent Organization and the Music Department will be hosting a Flea Market on Saturday, November 21, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Perth Amboy High School Cafeteria. 300 Eagle Ave. Perth Amboy. Please come and support The Music Department.

South Amboy 9/11 Memorial Pavers

SOUTH AMBOY - The 9-11 Memorial Committee is selling 9/11 Pavers. The applications can be picked up at the SAFD Independence Engine & Hose Co. Firehouse on Broadway. Cost is \$50 per paver. For more info please contact 9/11 Memorial Committee Chair Phil English at 732-688-7956.

Super Tricky Tray

PERTH AMBOY - Mother's Guild Super Tricky Tray, Sunday, November 8, 2015 at 3pm at St. Peter's Episcopal Church 183 Rector St. Perth Amboy. Admission is \$10. For more information please call 732-826-1594.

Flapjack Breakfast

PERTH AMBOY – Enjoy a short stack for a tall cause. You're invited to an Applebee's Flapjack Fundraiser Breakfast to support the PTO of Perth Amboy High School on Saturday, November 14 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. Tickets cost \$10 pp. Applebee's is located at 251 Woodbridge Center Dr., Woodbridge. For more info contact Melvinia Knight at 732-376-6030 ext. 23800 or email: pahs-pto@paps.net

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Editorial

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remember going to Alameda Care Center where the staff would dress up in Halloween costumes along with some of the patients. Both patients and staff had a blast with good food, a live DJ and dancing. I could still see one patient who was wheelchair bound waving his hands up in the air in time with the music.

Think about Halloween. It's such a joy to see the kids accompanied by their parents, older siblings or peers just having old fashioned fun together trick or treating. There's no competition for presents or families feeling bad that they cannot afford to give any gifts to their children. Sometimes I think that these individuals that want to take the joy away are not doing it for their convictions, but they have witnessed other people who were successful at stopping traditions and they said, "Hey, let me try that, too."

I bet most of these lawsuits are power trips and a few are based on beliefs. Here's what gets under our skin. We said it before and we'll say it again. When will those who are in power start protecting the rights and traditions of the people who have lived here and celebrated those traditions for many years?

Whose vote are you trying to get? Let's face it, voter turnout is at an all time low. So the people you are trying to woo by bowing down to them are not getting the message. You may be kissing up to them, but they are reciprocating.

Let's get rid of all the layers of dust off of the real issues. In the past when people immigrated to the United States, most of their goals were to become an American Citizen. They knew by following the rules and waiting patiently, it would pay off to become a U.S. Citizen.

Now, what's the point? There was an instance in one city in another state, a known illegal alien was elected to the City Council. Now, you have organizations that will help you sue someone whose property that you illegally trespassed on. Yes, we know that America

is based on giving those who come here freedom of speech freedom to worship. This includes freedom to celebrate their traditions as they choose – but not at the cost of taking away ours. Now, you get perks without being a citizen.

You also have to look in the mirror and blame yourselves. You need to have the hutzpah to tell those who are making these judgements calls that our rights are being infringed upon. Why should we bow down to these individuals who want to take away the joy of the many, especially when it comes to our children.

There is so much misery and suffering in the world and if celebrating Halloween can bring all age groups together and put a smile on faces – is that something so bad?

Some say that Halloween is destructive because of some of the scary costumes. Although there are scary costumes, when I saw the kids walking up and down the streets, not one kid screamed in terror. If anything, they were fascinated. There was a wide variety of costumes such as superheroes, cartoon characters, princesses, firemen, police officers. The list goes on. Some of the costumes were even homemade and very inventive. It gives a chance for the kids and the adults to be creative.

Some believe that Halloween is steeped in paganism. I read one story while dressing in costumes and trick-or-treating was started and I'm going to stick with this one. On that day, it was traditional for the devil to go around to houses to try to get the occupants to come over to his side. The occupants in turn would dress up in scary outfits, so when the devil knocked on the door and saw them, he would assume they were already converts. Little did the devil know that the trick was actually on him. If you want to find out more about Halloween there are lots of resources.

There are safety precautions that everyone should follow. If you do so, that day will be one of joy and satisfaction for all. One of my favorite songs is Holiday by Madonna. It says it all. *C.M. & K.M.*

Bell Ringers Wanted

PERTH AMBOY – The Salvation Army is looking for Bell Ringer for their Christmas Ket-tles. The job is seasonal (Nov. 27 thru Dec. 24) and full time \$9/hr. 5 days a week (Tuesdays thru Saturdays) from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. You need to have a Social Security and State ID. Come apply at the Salvation Army, 433 State St., Perth Amboy. Contact: Alex Rodriguez. 732-826-7040.

Friends of the Perth Amboy Free Public Library Meeting

PERTH AMBOY - The Friends of the Perth Amboy Free Public Library will be meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 18 at 7 p.m. at the Kearny Cottage, 63 Catalpa Ave., Perth Amboy. Everyone is welcome to attend. For more info call 732-797-8074.

Novena to St. Rita

O holy protectress of those who art in greatest need, thou who shineth as a star of hope in the midst of darkness, blessed Saint Rita, bright mirror of God’s grace, in patience and fortitude thou art a model of all the states in life. I unite my will with the will of God through the merits of my Savior Jesus Christ, and in particular through his patient wearing of the crown of thorns, which with tender devotion thou didst daily contemplate. Through the merits of the holy Virgin Mary and thine own graces and virtues, I ask thee to obtain my earnest petition, provided it be for the greater glory of God and my own sanctification. Guide and purify my intention, O holy protectress and advocate, so that I may obtain the pardon of all my sins and the grace to persevere daily, as thou didst in walking with courage, generosity, and fidelity down the path of life. *(Mention your request.)* Saint Rita, advocate of the impossible, pray for us. Saint Rita, advocate of the helpless, pray for us.
Recite the Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be three times each. K.M. & C.M.

Petition to St. Jude

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world, now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us. St. Jude worker of Miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us.
Say this prayer nine times a day for nine days. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised.
Thank you, St. Jude
A.M.A.

Elks Memorial Service

SOUTH AMBOY - South Amboy Elks # 784 will conduct Memorial Services for all members who have passed away since our last service was conducted. On Sunday, December 6, 2015, commencing at 5:00 p.m., #784 Lodge Officers will conduct the service this year as per Grand Lodge stature 2.020. It is required that the bar be closed at 5:00 p.m. and reopen upon the conclusion of the Memorial Services. All are invited to attend this moving ceremony. Thank you for your cooperation. Michael Green, Exalted Ruler.

Turkey Fest

SAYREVILLE - FFM Daily Bread Turkey Fest, Saturday, Nov. 21st. at 2707 Main St., Sayreville. Join us for our full turkey giveaway! Doors Open at 9:30 a.m. Must have a ticket. Pick up tickets Mon-Fri 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thurs; 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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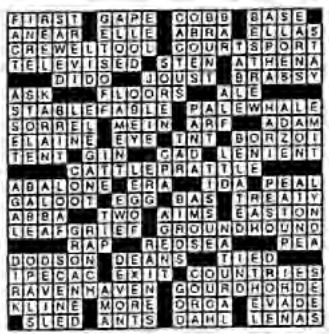
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	• St. Stephen’s Seniors, 1 p.m., Cafeteria, State St.
	• Holy Trinity Seniors, 1 p.m., Church Hall, Lawrie & Johnstone St.
THURS. Nov. 5	The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
MON. Nov. 9	St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.
TUES. Nov. 10	Holy Spirit Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Church Hall, Brace Ave.
	• Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.
WED. Nov. 11	Holy Rosary Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Auditorium, Florida Grove Rd.
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THURS. Nov. 12	The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
	Ukrainian Assumption Seniors, 12 Noon Church Basement, Alta Vista Pl.
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WED. Nov. 4	St. Mary’s Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.
WED. Nov. 18	South Amboy Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave
MON. Nov. 30	Sacred Heart Seniors, 12 Noon Memorial Hall, Wash Ave.

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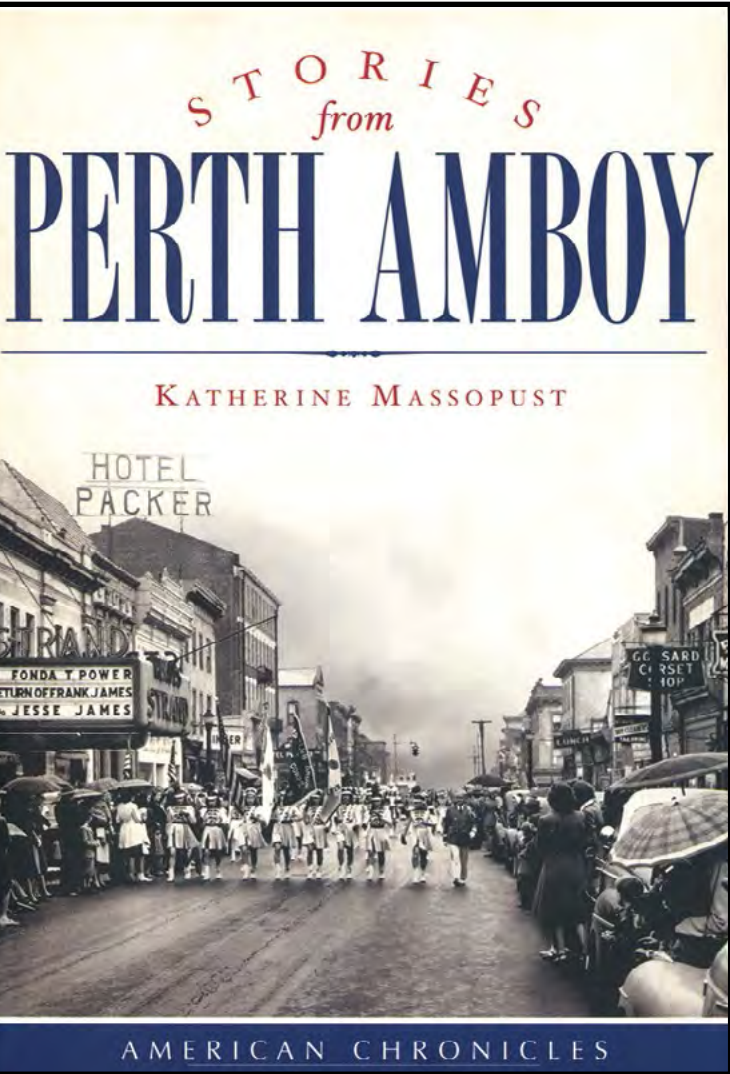
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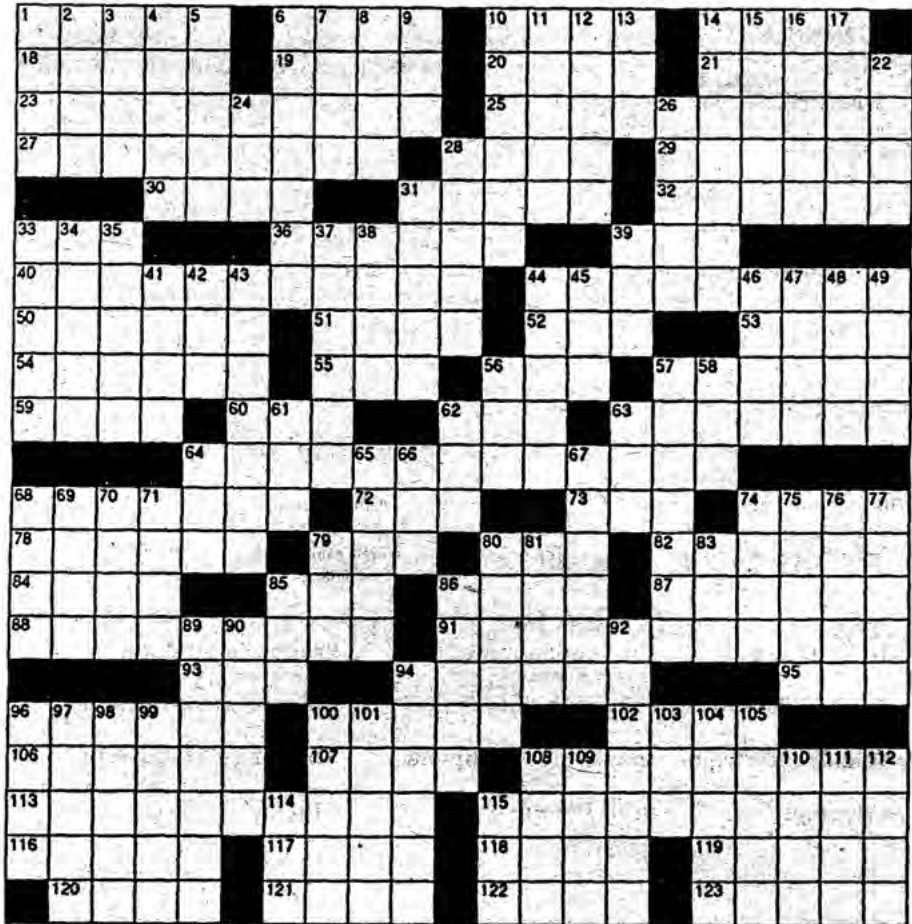
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63 Willing to forgive
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1 Certainty
2 Pertaining to
3 Rock and roll?
4 Worked wood
5 Roman fountain
6 Disembarks
7 Hand-cream additive
8 Trudge
9 Sushi
10 Defense plant?
11 Reeds in pits
12 Hardest part
13 — code
14 Scatter about
15 First Greek letter
16 Wild plums
17 Deserves a check
22 Be in an inn
24 Casserole cover
26 Defer
28 Mr. Kierkegaard
31 Mama Gabor
33 Plus
34 Walked off with
35 Designer Donna
37 Cry the blues
38 Toe the line
39 TV E.T.
41 Guy from Gloucestershire
42 Author Deighton
43 Tasteful
44 Black-and-white delight?
45 Collectibles, collectively
46 Mata —
47 Cabinet-maker's tool
48 French
49 Send out
56 Pine product
57 After the fact
58 Well-known single?
61 Native suffix
62 Pocket protector?
63 Inc., in Ipswich
64 Pigeon English?
65 — -mutton sleeve
66 Unit of work
67 Makeup remover
68 "I've Got — in Kalamazoo"
69 Woods dweller?
70 Goya's "Duchess of —"
71 Enjoy Saturday
74 Uruguayan coin
75 Cook's command
76 Make amends
77 Actress Carter
79 Lady Lincoln
80 Flappers, in a way
81 Famous
83 Sound from the stands
85 Palm oil?
86 Actor's actor?
89 Appreciated a pun
90 Dressing type
92 Neither sharp nor flat
94 Ella of "Phantom Lady"
96 Bogarde or Benedict
97 Iridescent stones
98 He's 80 percent evil
99 Tantrum
100 Clotted-cream county
101 Put out
103 On one's own, briefly
104 Lucy's landlady
105 Got teed off?
108 Mrs. Dithers
109 "That smarts!"
110 Teheran's territory
111 Snorri's stories
112 Dates
114 Flock o' docs
115 Mars, but not Earth





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