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## Blizzard “Jonas” Strikes Northeast *Local Areas Receive Over 24”*

PERTH AMBOY - The Northeast was hit by the Blizzard of 2016 which was christened Winter Storm Jonas or Snowzilla. Although paling in comparison to Superstorm Sandy, Jonas lived up to the expectations of meteorologists’ predictions. We were hit with over 24” of snow and gusts of hurricane force winds which pounded the area from Friday evening until Saturday night. New Jersey Governor Chris Christie declared a State of Emergency as did New York Governor Andrew Cuomo. All nonessential vehicles were to be off the streets and people were advised to stay indoors. Public transportation including trains and buses suspended service which resumed Sunday morning. Over 7000 flights were cancelled. Cape May County and several shore towns were flooded and some people had to be evacuated. Some residents suffered more damage to their homes than during Superstorm Sandy.

Snowstorms which hit Perth Amboy in the past includes: the Blizzard of 1888 which caused the entire northeast to be at a standstill for days. It hit New Jersey with 21” of snow. The Blizzard of 1996 hit Middlesex County with 19” to 32” of snow.

While many people were sitting cozy inside this weekend, the Department of Public Works was working tirelessly for three days to clear the snow and make streets safe for travel. Kudos to the DPW and all City Employees for all your hard work!

*Photo 1* - Blizzard winds pick up on the corner of Smith Street and Madison Avenue; *Photo 2* - Two people walk down Smith Street during the blizzard; *Photo 3* - A Department of Public Works Employee plows a street in Perth Amboy; *Photo 4* - Board of Education Employees shovel snow on State Street. \*Photos 1,2,4 by Paul W. Wang; \*Photo 3 by Carolyn Maxwell - More Photos on Page 6



## Mayor Thanks Police Force For Recent Busts in South Amboy

By: Joseph L. Kuchie

SOUTH AMBOY - South Amboy Mayor Fred Henry praised the South Amboy Police Department for two recent busts in the city.

Mayor Henry commended Chief Darren Lavigne and his team for a prostitution bust that took place at My Favorite Massage on North Broadway and a traffic stop that led to a drug bust.

“Recently we had the arrest of alleged prostitution going on in South Amboy down on Broadway,” Henry said. “I know these things don’t happen overnight. There’s been surveillance going on for many months on this and the Police Chief had kept me informed of what was going on.”

“I also want to thank [the police department] for the arrest of a speeder in town who was also in position of marijuana and heroin which was there for the intent of distribution,”



**South Amboy Police Chief  
Darren Lavigne**

Henry added. “Again, the observance of our police department and police officers in recognizing that it was something other than a speeding ticket that was needed in this case.”

“I’d like to thank the police department for all the work they do to keep the city of South Amboy safe.”

All council members were in attendance for the meeting.

## Mayor’s Community Meeting 1/14/16

PERTH AMBOY - Mayor Wilda Diaz spoke at the Community Meeting at the Olive Street Community Center on 1/14/16.

The majority of the attendees were by Perth Amboy’s youth and some concerned citizens. Council President Lisa Nanton and Bill Petrick also attended the meeting.

Mayor Diaz spoke about plans to build a firehouse in Harbortown. She also stated that there will be redevelopment in a one mile radius around the train station extending as far as Maple Street (not including the side of the street C-Town is on).

She spoke about the Municipal ID Program and encouraged the public to visit the Perth Amboy Free Public Library

which is now open, although some renovations are still being completed. Diaz continued explaining that Bayview Park is now fenced off and getting ready to have an overhaul.

Diaz continued speaking about the Institute of the Arts and encouraged the public to visit the Art Gallery.

Department of Recreation Director Ken Ortiz spoke about the opening of the Brighton Avenue Building from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. “Teen Night at the YMCA is on Saturday from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Code Enforcement Director Frank Marrero spoke on quality of life issues.

PAFD Chief Abraham Pitre

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**Intertwined**  
*1/13/16 Council Meeting*

PERTH AMBOY - During the public portion of the 1/13/16 Council Meeting, Resident Stanley Sierakowski complained about PA-TV Channel (Comcast 34/Fios 47). "There are too many repeats of the same programs. Maybe they should start broadcasting the County Meetings."

He told the Council, "You should have mentioned at the Monday, 1/11/16 Caucus Meeting that the Board of Education was having a special meeting on Tuesday 1/12/16 at 5 p.m. I got there late assuming their meeting was going to be at 6 p.m. which would be the normal start time. The Board discussed moving their election to April, but it was too late to do it this year."

Sierakowski also said that Board of Education President Sam Lebreault had private meetings which is a violation of the Sunshine Laws.

Resident and Former Councilman Ken Balut said, "The Mayor violated Civil Service Rules and that's why the P.B.A. sued. Now I hear Police Officers who are on military leave don't get paid, yet we pay the Business Administrator for his vacation. Regular City Employees only received a 1.7% raise. You (the Council) went into closed session. Did the Lawyer (Law Director) advise you of the new sexual harassment suit filed in December? You skipped over a Hispanic

Female Officer with a clean record for a promotion. We are following in the steps of Jersey City - giving out raises to employees based on their politics."

A Resident from Alpine Street complained about being harassed by a Perth Amboy Municipal Court Judge. "I was arrested but not read my rights. The judge that I went before should have recused himself from the case. He knew the woman that testified and the police officer who arrested me has continued to harass me."

Pastor Bernadette Falcon-Lopez wanted to thank the City, Mayor, Kenny Ortiz, Renovation House, Deputy Police Chief Cattano, Mercy House, Steve Jobin of the Y and David Benyola (Human Resources) for helping out the homeless on these cold winter days.



Stanley Sierakowski



Ken Balut

Business Owner Virginia Lugo wanted to know what is the status of Interim Business Administrator Peter Pelissier. "And when are we getting a permanent Business Administrator? After 90 days an interim appointment can be extended."

Lugo also wanted an update about the drug programs in Perth Amboy. "Some are disguised as something else. I have a list of at least 7 locations. Some are located on Market and State Streets. People released from the County Jail have their drug testing done in Perth Amboy."

None of the Council Members answered the last inquiry and Law Director Arlene Quinnes Perez couldn't recall this being discussed at any previous meetings.

**Vitale Bill Honoring Fallen Firefighter Bruce  
Turcotte of Woodbridge Township Signed Into Law**  
*Designates Portion of State Highway 184 in Woodbridge as  
'Bruce Turcotte Memorial Highway'*

News Release 1/19/16  
TRENTON — Legislation sponsored by Senator Joseph F. Vitale that would designate State Highway 184 in Woodbridge Township as "Bruce Turcotte Memorial Highway," in honor of a local firefighter of nearly four decades who died in the line of duty in 2012, was signed into law today.

"Although he is gone from the community, Chief Turcotte will never be forgotten in Woodbridge where he spent a lifetime selflessly serving and saving others as a volunteer firefighter," said Senator Vitale (D-Middlesex). "He was a man who left a permanent mark on the community, one of great pride as a firefighter and of enduring devotion to the community."

Bruce Turcotte joined the Hopelawn Engine Company #1 in Woodbridge Township

in 1973 when he was only 20 years old and quickly rose through the ranks of the fire department, becoming the fire chief in 1983. During his tenure of over 38 years with the volunteer fire company, he served in many positions, including president, company chaplain, and historian.

On January 19, 2012, Mr. Turcotte responded with his son, Brian, Hopelawn's Assistant Fire Chief, along with their crew to a house fire where he was assigned to the rapid intervention crew at the scene. It was during that deployment that he was found unresponsive behind the wheel of Hopelawn's rescue truck after suffering a fatal heart attack.

Beyond his life at the fire company, Bruce Turcotte was a life member of the New Jersey State Firemen's Association, an Executive Board member of the Woodbridge Township Fire Officers Association, was the Woodbridge Township Mutual Aid Fire Coordinator, and the secretary of the United Firemen's Relief Association of Fords, Keasbey and Hopelawn.

"Honoring the life and public service of a man who was genuinely loved and respected by his family, colleagues, and others in the community exemplifies our gratitude for the countless contributions he made to Woodbridge Township and its residents," said Senator Vitale. "I am pleased that his memory will live on in Woodbridge."

Mr. Turcotte was born in Newark and lived most of his adult life in Fords, New Jersey.

The law, S-3041, takes effect immediately.

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## Golden Nugget Casino Trip

HOPELAWN - Holy Rosary Seniors at Good Shepherd Parish are sponsoring a bus trip to the Golden Nugget Casino in Atlantic City on Tuesday, February 9, 2016. Cost is \$30; \$25 back in play and \$5 for food. Bus leaves the Church parking lot located at 625 Florida Grove Road, Hopelawn at 10 a.m. Anyone interested please contact Ronnie at 732-442-5252. 1/20 bd 3wk



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## Lung Cancer

### Support Group

PERTH AMBOY - Lung Cancer Support Group, Monday, February 1, 2016 at 7pm at St. Peter's Episcopal Church 183 Rector St., Perth Amboy. For more information please call Rev. Anne-Marie Jeffery 732-826-1594. 1/13

## Music at

### Saint Mary's

SOUTH AMBOY - A Music at Saint Mary's first! The Marimba Masters Jr. is 7 young performers who represent the very best of high school marimba players in the United States. Under the tutelage of their teacher and mentor Greg Giannascoli, professor of music in the Juilliard Pre-College Program, their concert will include such pop-music pieces as the William Tell Overture, Eine Kleine Nachtmusik, a John Williams Movie Medley, and Stars and Stripes Forever. Come one and all, young and not-so-young, to support these marvelous young musicians and experience a concert like you never have before! Sunday, January 24, 2016 - 4PM, at Saint Mary Church, 256 Augusta Street, South Amboy NJ, 08879! Free admission (\$15 donation suggested). A special reception will follow the concert. 1/20

## Winter

### Paper Sale

SOUTH AMBOY - The Dowdell Library of South Amboy will be holding a Winter Paper Sale beginning Monday Jan 18<sup>th</sup> through February. The Library will be offering paperback books - five for \$1; adult hardcover books \$1 each; magazines \$2 per year, and children's books for only 25 cents each. A coordinated special sale of DVDs are available for only \$1 each, as well as printers for \$10, and much more! While you're at the library, pick up an entry form for Dowdell Library's 102nd Anniversary Cooking Competition "Festive Appetizers." The contest will be held on Monday, March 14 and a soft drink "cocktail" party will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. The library is located off John T O'Leary Blvd (adjacent to High/Middle School) in South Amboy. Hours are Mon-Tues-Thurs. 10 a.m. - 8 p.m., Wed and Fri 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sat 12 noon to 4 p.m. For additional information contact the Library at 732-721-6060 or email: [comments@dowdell.org](mailto:comments@dowdell.org). The library website is [www.dowdell.org](http://www.dowdell.org). 1/20



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EDITORIAL

A Little Snow

Back in the 70’s when I was a kid; when it was snowing outside I would hover over the radio listening to WCTC waiting for the school closing announcements to be read on the air. Every kid in the area would pray for at least 6” so there was a day off from school and to have a “snow holiday.” Snow time was fun time. After the snow was shoveled, the real fun began. We would build snowmen, lie in the snow and flap our hands and feet to make snow angels or build a fort out of snow. If there was a real big storm and the snow was just right, we took out my father’s old Flexible Flyer Sled and went sledding. The moister snow was better for snowmen and forts while the powdery snow was better for sledding. I remember a blizzard in the late ‘70’s where the snow plow made a giant pile of snow on McClellan Street after plowing Majestic Theater (now the Cathedral) parking lot. That pile of snow was there for almost two weeks and the kids had a ball climbing it then sliding down.

After playing outside we would come in for hot cocoa and warm up. Sometimes local kids would walk down the street and offer to shovel your driveway and sidewalk for a minimal fee. Those kids would make a lot of money shoveling.

The City would freeze the Clay Courts down the Waterfront (up until 1980 when they were blacktopped) and people would ice skate there. (Yes, right in Perth Amboy.)

I still remember my parents having to change the tires on their car to snow tires after a certain month (long before all-weather radials). Bigger vehicles such as buses and trucks used chains.

In the ‘70’s there was no internet and there were only 7 channels available on TV (2, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11 & 13). TV wasn’t



Katherine (Age 9) and Snowman 1976

on 24/7 and watching TV got old very fast.

Things have changed a lot since then. I don’t see many kids playing outside in the snow anymore. It seems to be a lost art. God forbid kids of today put down their tablets for five minutes and get a breath of fresh air. Video games rule the land and the Internet and TV never shuts off.

Like all technology, it’s a mixed blessing. I wish when I was in school that I had the wealth of information at my fingertips that the internet provides. Microsoft Word beats a typewriter any day of the week and Cable/FIOS and the internet keeps you informed of what’s going on in the world instantly.

At the same time, you have to know when to walk away from the computer. Your eyes are not meant to be staring at a computer screen 14 hours a day. That goes for TV and tablets, too. You need to give your eyes and yourself a break.

Take a minute and look out the window at the snow on the trees and the birds chirping away. If you have 2 minutes, step outside. Take a long, deep breath and feel the cold, crisp air. The snow melts very quickly, so enjoy the moment as it passes by. It ain’t all bad. **K.M.**

New DPW Director

Congratulated

PERTH AMBOY - A photo appeared years ago when I became Public Works Director similar to this one. Frank was appointed director several months ago, and still has not been acknowledged. Under-

standing the importance of this position always go unnoticed. As directors we have many responsibilities to the public , protecting the health, safety and welfare of the community. I would like to acknowledge Franks accomplishments and wish him the best

Kenneth J Schwartz CPWM  
Public Works Director Retired



Ken Schwartz & Frank Hoffman

Reducing Property Taxes in NJ

Can the high property taxes in NJ be lowered? Yes, but not by attacking democracy and local control (“home rule”). NJ did not have the highest property taxes under the 1844 state constitution. Houses then were taxed on “true value” (a fixed amount) rather than an “assessed value” which caused escalating taxes. The 1947 state constitution consolidated power in the Governor’s office and made him the most powerful governor in the nation. Did this consolidation work for the people of New Jersey?

There are two remedies for

high property taxes. One is to split the state sales tax between each county and the state. New York has done this since 1968. The other is to allow each municipality to collect the first 1% of the income tax paid by their residents. I read that Pennsylvania has this law. These proposals will reduce property taxes unlike a nebulous proposal of “consolidation” which is vaguely defined.

What about consolidating the Legislature? Do we need two houses when just one Assembly or Senate can represent the voters? Electing the Legislature and state officials (Governor, Attorney-General, Secretary of State, etc.) each year will keep them attentive to the voters.

When NJ began its income tax the personal exemption was \$1,000, the same as the Federal amount. Today the Federal amount is \$4,000 while the NJ amount hasn’t changed in forty years. This shows the lack of political power by the citizens is the real cause of high property taxes. James Madison and others said freedom and liberty only result from distributed political power, the antithesis of consolidated power.

If “consolidation” is the magic cure for high costs the consolidation on the state level should surely cure any shortfall in taxes that may result from splitting the sales tax with each county.

Ronald A. Sobieraj

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**Tea Room Open**  
PERTH AMBOY - The Proprietary House is now open every Wednesday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. for tea and tours. The tea room has reopened, serving their usual delicious homemade cakes and assorted teas. Hostesses Dot, Helen and Joanne are back to greet you. A \$7.00 donation includes both the tea and a tour of the mansion. Although the house is still in the process of being restored, some rooms have been newly decorated, and we have acquired several pieces of antique furniture, including a 1700's desk and game table. The gift shop is also opened. A visit to the tea room is the perfect way to spend a pleasant afternoon. Groups are welcome, although reservations are required for groups over six people. The Proprietary House is located at 149 Kearny Ave., Perth Amboy, NJ. Tel: 732-826-5527. Email: [Info@proprietary-house.org](mailto:Info@proprietary-house.org).

Community Calendar

**Perth Amboy**  
WED. Jan. 27 City Council, Regular, 7 p.m.  
City Hall, High St.  
THURS, Jan. 28 Historic Preservation Commission, 7 p.m.  
City Hall, High St.  
**South Amboy**  
WED. Feb. 3 City Council, Business, 6 p.m.  
City Hall, N. Broadway

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Blizzard of 2016 - 1/23/16 & 1/24/16

\*Photos by Paul W. Wang & Carolyn Maxwell



A man operates a snowblower on Front Street



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The Perth Amboy Waterfront covered in snow



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Perth Amboy City Hall Circle on 1/24/16

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Linguini Dinners

FORDS - Our Lady of Peace Knights of Columbus Council #9199 of Fords is sponsoring their annual “All You Can Eat” Lenten Linguini Dinners every Friday in Lent, except Good Friday. The dinners will be served from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the cafeteria below the Church. The menu includes Linguini, with a choice of Red (Marinara) or White clam sauce, salad, garlic bread, coffee, soda, water, iced tea and desserts. The menu will also include our FAMOUS PIZZA! The cost is \$10 for adults, \$9 for Senior Citizens, \$5 for children under 12 and children under 5 are free. There is a special family price of \$20 (EAT IN ONLY). A family would consist of only 2 adults and any children under 12. No reservations necessary and take-out is available. For more information, call Tony at 732-233-4473. 1/20

Pasta Night Fundraiser

SOUTH AMBOY - South Amboy Knights of Columbus Council 426 host a spaghetti fundraiser Friday January 29 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at 308 Fourth St. South Amboy. Proceeds benefit Knights of Columbus member Anthony Aflyie, his wife, and six children, who were left homeless after a house fire. Menu includes spaghetti, or baked ziti, meatballs, or sausage, (1) beer, wine, or soda. Cost is \$10 adults, \$7 per child, children under 5 years old free. After the meal, enjoy free entertainment from Open Mike singers and musicians. For information call 732-721-2025. 1/20

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For more info, contact 732-324-2114 Ext. 100 or 102. We are actively recruiting for our next coed cohort.

Attend Public Meetings: Have Your Voice Heard!

Open House at Assumption Catholic School

\*Photo Submitted by Fr. Ivan Turyk



PERTH AMBOY - ACS in Perth Amboy NJ, the largest elementary Ukrainian Catholic School in America, will host an Open House on Sunday January 31st from 12 noon to 2 p.m. as part of its Catholic Schools Week celebrations. Light refreshments and school tours will be available for prospective students and their parents. Founded in 1963, Assumption Catholic School brings the tradition of high-quality Catholic Education to the city of Perth Amboy, NJ. AdvancEd accredited, the school provides a Christ-centered, Catholic environment to a diverse population of pre-kindergarten (age 4) through 8th-grade students. Before Care and After Care are available. Our Open House is a wonderful opportunity to meet our Pastor, the Principal and have a tour of the school by one of our current students. To receive more information about the school, call 732-826-8721 or visit [www.assumptioncatholicschool.net](http://www.assumptioncatholicschool.net).

Students Give Presentation at BOE Meeting

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PERTH AMBOY - At the 1/7/16 BOE Meeting Teachers Mr. Michael Heidelberg and Mr. Jorge Nogueira of Shull Middle School supervised students who gave a presentation on a project on how Ancient Roman Architecture influenced the Architecture in Perth Amboy.

New Furniture Donated to Kearny Cottage

\*Photo by Paul W. Wang



PERTH AMBOY - Antique Furniture was recently donated to the Kearny Cottage by the Olson Family. The furniture are all Louis XV design - including a Louis XV Substyle Serpentine with back enclosed arm sofa, a love seat with a black walnut frame circa 1850-1870, a Lee Lady Chair, a spindle-back side chair and a clock which was a gift to Amy Olson’s great grandmother by her uncle Jerry, the Clock Maker. All the furniture are original Perth Amboy Pieces and were purchased in Perth Amboy.

## First Habitat Home Completed In Perth Amboy

*Collaboration of P.A.R.T.N.E.R and Morris Habitat for Humanity to Provide Single Family Home In Time For The Holidays*



PERTH AMBOY - E. Dorothy Carty-Daniel, fifth from the right, Board Chair of P.A.R.T.N.E.R. cuts ribbon for Mercado family. From left: John Martin, Project Supervisor, of Morris Habitat of Human; Mayor Wilda Diaz; Noris Mercado, Douglas Dzema, Executive Director of P.A.R.T.N.E.R.; Blair Schleicher Bravo, CEO of Morris Habitat for Humanity; Delia Yili, Fernando Gonzalez, Josephine Smith, and Hector Motta, P.A.R.T.N.E.R. board members. *\*Photo Submitted*

Press Release 12/14/15

PERTH AMBOY – December 14, 2015- Perth Amboy Redevelopment Team for Neighborhood Enterprise and Revitalization (P.A.R.T.N.E.R.) and Morris Habitat for Humanity cohosted a home dedication at 440 Lawrie Street, in Perth Amboy on Friday, December 11, 2015 at 10 am. With over fifty people in attendance including Mayor Wilda Diaz, city officials, emergency services, and volunteers from various organizations including interfaith and community partners, all joined to share in the occasion in marking the completion of the construction of the home. The dedication opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a blessing provided by Pastor Bernadette Falcon-Lopez, Senior Pastor of God's Army Ministries of NJ. Douglas Dzema, Executive Director of P.A.R.T.N.E.R. and Master of Ceremonies for the dedication provided opening remarks. "We are delighted to have you here alongside our partner Morris Habitat for Humanity. PARTNER first started this endeavor in early 2011 in search of a partner who shared the same intense passion and commitment of creating housing services and economic opportunities for working families. Upon first meeting Blair Schleicher Bravo, Executive Director of Morris of Habitat for Humanity, we

were blown away and honored by the level of collaboration and effectiveness." In July 2011, P.A.R.T.N.E.R entered into a collaborative relationship with Morris of Habitat to jointly construct a new single family home in Perth Amboy. Together having capitalized on their shared services in meeting the needs of low-income families of Middlesex County, this house is the first Habitat home in Perth Amboy. During this time, PARTNER was looking for sources to help fund the purchase of the property that was made by Investors Foundation who awarded PARTNER \$20,000 to complete its purchase. In search for a qualified family, the Perth Amboy Housing Authority hosted a lottery drawing in June 2013, where Ms. Noris Mercado's number was drawn. In October 2013, P.A.R.T.N.E.R. and Morris Habitat broke ground and began foundation work in the spring 2014. Roof framing and windows and siding were installed in the summer of 2015 and culminating to the home dedication. Additional remarks were provided by Mayor Wilda Diaz, Blair Schleicher Bravo, CEO of Morris Habitat for Humanity, Michael Harris, Vice President & Retail Manager of Investors Bank, E. Dorothy Carty Daniels, P.A.R.T.N.E.R. Chair, and John Martin, Project Su-

pervisor, of Morris Habitat of Humanity. The Mercado family was introduced by Frank Corsi and Barbara Roberts, Homeowner Relations Committee of Morris Habitat, and who presented the family with a welcome home basket of gifts. Noris Mercado will live in the house with her 17-year-old daughter, her 15-year-old son and a grandson The family looks forward to close on the home on December 18, 2015, in time for the holidays. Dedication was concluded with a ribbon cutting and tour of the home. About the Perth Amboy Redevelopment Team for Neighborhood Enterprise & Revitalization (PARTNER) The Perth Amboy Redevelopment Team for Neighborhood Enterprise and Revitalization (PARTNER) is a 501 C3 non-profit organization established by the Housing Authority of the City of Perth Amboy. PARTNER is committed to creating housing services and economic opportunities for low and moderate income families and individuals. Services include, but not limited to job training, career counseling, employment opportunities, job skills, budgeting, housing counseling, and stress management. These services are offered to support individuals become economically independent. For more information, visit [www.partnernj.org](http://www.partnernj.org)

### Knitting Club

SOUTH AMBOY - There will be a Knitting Circle on the first and third Tuesday each month at 6 p.m. at the Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. Teens & Adults. For more info call 732-721-6060.

### Kidz Wii Club

SOUTH AMBOY - The Kidz Wii Club will meet every Monday from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Sadie Pope Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. Ages 5 and under For more info call 732-721-6060.

### Caribbean Night

PERTH AMBOY - Caribbean Night, Saturday, January 30 at 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at St. Peter's Episcopal Church 183 Rector St., Perth Amboy. Tickets available at Parish House for \$15 each For more information please call 732-826-1594. 1/13

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### Support Our Troops Buffet Dinner

SAYREVILLE - VFW Post 4699 Auxiliary Fundraiser at 575 JerneeMill Rd., Sayreville. Classis Rock/Oldies Night--Music by: Clem & Friends on Saturday, March 19 --Doors open at 6 p.m.--Open Bar, Buffet Dinner at \$40 pp--contact Carmen 732-254-9425 or Post at 732-254-4789. For more info call 723-264-3041 or Carmen. 1/20

### Success Coaching

PERTH AMBOY – The JRF Family Success Center helps families reach their goals. Feel free to stop by and meet with or family partners for goal planning, helping you and your family members reach your individual success. The JRF Family Center is located in the rear of the Proprietary House (149 Kearny Ave.) For more info call 732-638-5063.

### Free Family Movie Matinee

SOUTH AMBOY - South Amboy Knights of Columbus Council 426 hold a free family movie matinee "War Room," from the producers of "Fireproof" and "Courageous." Doors open 2 p.m. Sunday, January 31 at 308 Fourth St. South Amboy. The film begins at 2:30 p.m. A spaghetti dinner will be available after the movie. Cost is \$5 adults, \$2 per child. For more information call Les or Carol at 732-721-0812. 1/20

### Book Drop/Book Exchange/Book Sale

PERTH AMBOY - The Friends of the Perth Amboy Free Public Library have established a use for the books you have read and would like to recycle!!! Drop off your books. Exchange them for books you have not read .... pick up a book or two (\$.50 for paperbacks/\$1 for hard cover) ... or select a "bag of books" for a price of only \$5. Please no text books or reference books.

Visit us at the Brighton Ave. Community Center located at the corner of Brighton Ave. and Sadowski Pkwy. in Perth Amboy. The schedule for the next three months is as follows: Saturdays, February 13 and 27 and March 12. We will be there from 12 noon until 2 p.m. (weather permitting).

For more info, e-mail us at [friendsofperthamboylibrary@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofperthamboylibrary@gmail.com)

### Notice: Community Announcements or "Shorts"

The Amboy Guardian is committed to serving the community. However, due to the rising cost of print publication, we are forced to now charge a small fee for community announcements. We will provide one complimentary short paragraph or "short" per event. After your event "short" is published for one week, there will be a \$5.00 fee per week charge for each additional "short" published pertaining to that particular event. For those who pay for a display ad, there will be no fee for additional shorts pertaining to the event in the paid display ad. To our regular loyal advertisers who hold community events, your "short" announcements will remain complimentary. Effective 1/1/16. Thank you.

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**Gas Tank Mojo Cafe**

PERTH AMBOY - Friday Night Feb. 19 at 8 p.m. at the Kearny Cottage, 63 Catalpa Ave., Perth Amboy. Coffee, cake, poetry, stories & opinions. In the spirit of Beat author Jack Kerouac, of “On the Road” fame who, as a merchant marine, shipping out of Perth Amboy, on his way to Tangier, referred to Perth Amboy as “Gas Tank Mojo Town.” For more info call 732-293-1090 or 732-675-8826. Bring Your Own Bongos. (weather permitting)

**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.

**Ladies Auxiliary #4699**

SAYREVILLE - The monthly meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary of #4699 will be on January 26, 2016 at 7 p.m. at Jernee Mills Road. Many items to discuss for the new year. All members are invited to attend. A light lunch will be served. For more info call 732-264-3041. 1/13

**Need Rent, Food or Utility Assistance?**

PERTH AMBOY - The JRF Family Assistance Center provides rent, food or utility assistance to qualifying individuals or families in the community. To be eligible you must meet program requirements. For more information, please call 732-324-2180. You can also stop by our office on the 2nd floor! (149 Kearny Ave. – Rear of Proprietary House)

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# The Citizens Campaign Launches Civic Challenge Campaign in Its Civic Trust Cities Of Trenton, Perth Amboy And Newark And in Asbury Park

## *Lessons Learned Will Be Incorporated Into Planned Statewide Effort*

Press Release 1/20/16  
TRENTON/PERTH AMBOY/  
NEWARK/ASBURY PARK - The Citizens Campaign announced today the launch of its Civic Challenge Campaign in Trenton, Perth Amboy and Newark, where it facilitates local Civic Trusts, as well as in Asbury Park where a Trust is emerging. All residents of these communities will be encouraged to take the Civic Pledge committing to help “leave their city better than they found it” through using and promoting a ‘pragmatic problem solving approach’ in meeting their city’s tough challenges. The Citizens Campaign believes this Civic Challenge campaign will supplement and amplify the work of the Civic Trusts and lead the push for government’s return to the path of pragmatic problem solving.

The Civic Pledge is a values proposition that citizens can make and challenge others to take. It is a commitment to seek or promote the seeking of solutions that are: (1) cost effective (2) based on evidence

of success and (3) advanced with a “no-blame” approach. A variety of Pledge action steps, suitable to most everyone’s circumstances and time constraints, is being provided. These include encouraging local elected officials to adopt a solutions-focused approach; incorporating local problem solving projects in high school civics and social studies courses; and working with the media to put the focus on potential solutions in their news stories.

For those who have the time and are willing to commit to service for a year or more as a Civic Trustee, there is the opportunity to work with like-minded citizens as a Civic Trustee in Newark, Perth Amboy and Trenton, or to help build a Civic Trust in Asbury Park.

The Citizens Campaign’s founder Harry Pozycki said, “It is time to end the blame game and finger pointing that dominates our politics and gridlocks our government. To tackle our big challenges, we must put problem solving and

a competition for solutions front and center. That can only happen from the bottom-up and that is what the Civic Challenge is designed to do.”

Pozycki notes that the Civic Challenge grows out of the success of the Civic Trusts and reflects the same values. About 30 residents each in Newark, Perth Amboy and Trenton-selected as Civic Trustees for their leadership ability and commitment to working together to identify and advance evidence-based solutions, are already producing results that make their cities’ better.

Trenton Civic Trustees are working closely with their Police Director to develop an Urban Auxiliary Police Force that will draw on trained and committed volunteers who reside in the City to serve as a vital link between the police and the community. Trustees are also working to ensure that the City is better prepared for storm damage caused by increased flooding. Trustees have already secured the first step towards this goal, winning the adoption of an inno-

vative Planning Board Resolution that moves cost-effective flood and storm water protection to the center of city infrastructure planning.

In Perth Amboy, Trustees are working to improve the high school graduation rate by developing a community-based approach to school discipline. And after identifying economic issues as one of their top priorities, Civic Trustees have created a Green Team which won \$500,000 of grant funding for green infrastructure which will save the City millions on storm drainage upgrades. And in Newark, which is just getting underway, Trustees are working with experts from The Citizens Campaign’s Law and Policy Task Force to

develop neighborhood boards to oversee quality of life issues like abandoned properties, neighborhood safety and public facilities maintenance. Residents will be able to take the Civic Pledge online at [www.thecitizenscampaign.org](http://www.thecitizenscampaign.org), where they can also access the actions steps to fulfill the pledge. Lessons learned in this 4-city pilot Civic Challenge will be incorporated into the campaign when it goes statewide later this year.

The Citizens Campaign is a community of problem solvers dedicated to empowering citizens with an evidence-based, no-blame approach to improving their communities and their government.

## Sweeney, Singer & Vitale Hospital Community Payment Bill Approved By Senate

### *Bill Would Have Acute Care Hospitals Make Contributions To Host Municipalities*

Press Release 1/11/16  
TRENTON – Bipartisan legislation authored by Senate President Steve Sweeney, Senator Robert Singer and Senator Joe Vitale that would have non-profit hospitals with for-profit facilities make payments to host municipalities to compensate for blanket tax exemptions on their property was approved by the Senate today. The bill, S-3299, which would update tax laws that date back to 1913, would have acute-care hospitals make payments to their home communities to offset the cost of local services.

ensures predictability and consistency for the hospitals and their host municipalities so they can continue to best serve their needs.”

The legislation, entitled the Hospital Community Service Contribution Bill, would have non-profit hospitals that have for-profit operations make Community Service Contributions directly to their municipalities. The payment formula would be \$2.50 per day for each acute care hospital bed and \$250 per day for each facility providing Satellite Emergency Care.

The Senate vote was 37 – 0. Identical legislation, A-4903, is scheduled for action in the Assembly today.

“This is a reasonable and responsible way to have hospitals pay their fair share to their local communities while still recognizing their tax-exempt status,” said Senator Sweeney. “The health care industry has evolved and changed over the years but they continue to play an important role as employers and health care providers.”

“This plan that was developed with the hospitals’ input is a fair way to compensate host municipalities for the services hospitals use,” said Senator Singer (R-Monmouth, Ocean). “These hospitals provide critical services to our communities and are a significant economic engine in the areas they serve. We rely on their continued future success under this community payment plan.”

“The acute care hospitals provide a wide range of valuable health care services to their home communities and to the residents of New Jersey,” said Senator Vitale. “Providing them with a payment formula that sets a reasonable schedule

The municipal payments would be dedicated to property tax relief and for public safety, such as police, fire and emergency services. Five percent of the payments would be sent to the county where the hospital is located, according to the bill.

Any voluntary contributions by the hospitals would be deducted from the community service payments and any hospital that is losing money could apply for an exemption from the payments.

The bill was amended to add an inflation clause, increasing the assessment by 2 percent annually and to revise the exemption clause for hospitals in danger of bankruptcy or close to violating their bond covenants by allowing the finances of a hospital system, rather than an individual hospital, to be considered when exemptions are decided.

The legislation would also establish the Nonprofit Hospital Community Service Contribution Study Commission to evaluate the success of the new system and make recommendations for any needed improvements.

## Pallone Unveils Comprehensive Legislation to Address Substance Abuse Crisis

### *Bill Commits \$500 Million Annually to Help Patients in All Stages of Prescription Opioid & Heroin Dependence*

Press Release 1/21/16  
NEW BRUNSWICK - Today, Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr. (NJ-6), who serves as the Ranking Member on the House Energy and Commerce Committee, unveiled comprehensive legislation to address the substance abuse crisis plaguing far too many communities in New Jersey and across the country. Pallone held a press conference at the Damon House in New Brunswick to discuss his bill, the Heroin and Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention and Reduction Act, which will commit \$500 million annually to help individuals at all stages of crisis, specifically those suffering from prescription opioid and heroin dependence.

This epidemic affects families from all walks of life and unfortunately, has become personal for too many New Jersey families that have been impacted by addiction or lost loved ones to an overdose,” said Pallone. “My comprehensive bill will tackle the substance abuse crisis we are now facing by providing significant funding for critical treatment and recovery programs. New resources will help to reach those who have fallen through the cracks before it is too late and also provide support to those on a path to recovery.”

The Heroin and Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention and Reduction Act has four core elements:

- 1) Preventing the onset of substance abuse,
- 2) Responding to those already in crisis,
- 3) Ensuring access to treatment for all patients, and
- 4) Supporting life-long recovery from addiction

The legislation sets guidelines requiring those prescribing opioids to undergo critical training; helps to improve a provider’s ability to diagnose addiction; provides funding for state and local governments and community organizations to train first responders, physicians, pharmacists, and the public to respond quickly and effectively to prevent overdoses; and makes naloxone, a safe and effective antidote to overdoses, more affordable.

Pallone noted that the bill also expands evidence-based treatment, including access to medication-assisted treatment; funds syringe exchange programs that often offer a path to treatment and decrease the spread of infectious disease; provides critical resources to communities that recognize a new heroin or opioid outbreak in order to combat addiction swiftly; and creates a new grant program to fund the

work done by recovery schools and collegiate recovery programs like the Raymond J. Lesniak Recovery School and the Alcohol and Other Drug Assistance program (ADAP) at Rutgers University in New Jersey.

“These initiatives are critical for saving lives, and we are grateful to Congressman Pallone for his leadership in helping to ensure that evidence-based treatment and ongoing recovery support are readily available for everyone in need,” said Debra Wentz, President and CEO of the New Jersey Association of Mental Health and Addiction Agencies.

“We appreciate Congressman Pallone’s support and applaud his call for additional resources for both national and statewide efforts to address the epidemic of prescription opioid and heroin dependence,” said Lisa Laitman, director of the Rutgers Alcohol and Drug Assistance Program. “His particular focus in New Jersey on providing adolescents and young adult access to evidenced-based treatment and recovery support is much needed in light of the toll this epidemic has taken on our young people in New Jersey.”

# Pallone, Lawmakers, and Military Leaders Honor NJ World War II Veteran with Distinguished Medals

Press Release 1/21/16  
MORGANVILLE - Today, Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr. (NJ-6), along with Assemblywoman Amy Handlin and Assemblyman Declan O’Scanlon, presented World War II veteran Joseph Zakalyk with eight distinguished honors for his achievements in the United States Army Air Forces and service to his country. Mr. Zakalyk, who is now 94-years old, served during World War II as an aerial photographer and gunner in the 745th Bombardment Squadron, 456th Bombardment Group, Fifteenth Air Force, successfully participating in 35 combat

missions.  
“This is a long overdue recognition of Joseph’s exceptional bravery and sacrifices while serving during World War II,” said Congressman Pallone. “I feel privileged to have played a role in helping recognize Joseph’s distinguished service to our country and present him with the honors he has earned.”  
Congressman Pallone’s office was able to secure for Mr. Zakalyk the Air Medal & Oak Leaf Cluster Bronze Large, Army Good Conduct Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle

Eastern Campaign Medal & Silver Star Attachment, World War II Victory Medal, Honorable Service Lapel Button WWII, Sharpshooter Badge & Carbine Bar, and a Certificate of Recognition from the United States Army.  
The ceremony was hosted by the InfoAge Science History Learning Center and the World War II Era Studies Institute. Pallone and lawmakers offered remarks on Mr. Zakalyk’s distinguished service and Colonel William Peace, a Commander in the New Jersey National Guard, delivered the keynote address.

# Vitale Bill to Help Combat Prescription Opioid Abuse Advances Would Mandate Coverage for Opioid Drugs with Abuse-Deterrent Properties

Press Release 1/7/16  
TRENTON – Legislation sponsored by Senator Joseph F. Vitale that aims to combat prescription opioid abuse by requiring health insurers to provide coverage for certain prescribed abuse-deterrent opioid drugs cleared the Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee today.  
“Opioid abuse has reached all-time highs, and efforts are well underway to develop safer alternatives to highly addictive and abuse-prone drugs,” said Senator Vitale (D-Middlesex). “Abuse-deterrent alternatives work just as well when taken as prescribed but are more difficult to misuse. They should not only be covered by insurance but encouraged to aid prevention and treatment efforts which will reduce long-term costs as we collectively battle this epidemic.”  
Opioid analgesic drugs are drugs prescribed to treat moderate to severe pain or other conditions. Abuse-deterrent opioid analgesic drugs are brand or generic drugs approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration with abuse-deterrence labeling claims that indicate the drug is expected to deter or result in a meaningful reduction in

abuse. Deterrents include formulations that make it difficult to crush and therefore snort or inject for an intense high.  
The bill, S-3036, would require health insurers to provide coverage on the insurer’s formulary, drug list, or other lists of similar construct, for at least one prescribed abuse-deterrent opioid analgesic drug product per opioid analgesic active ingredient. Additionally, cost-sharing for generic or brand name abuse-deterrent opioid analgesic drugs would not exceed the lowest cost-sharing level applied to the respective generic or brand name non-abuse-deterrent opioid drugs covered under the contract. An increase in patient cost sharing or disincentives for a subscriber or dispenser would not be allowed to achieve compliance with the bill’s provisions.  
Under the bill, any prior authorization requirements or other utilization review measures for opioid analgesic drugs, and any service denials, would not require first use of non-abuse-deterrent opioid analgesic drugs in order to access opioid analgesic drugs without abuse-deterrent properties.  
“It is important that we strike a balance between access to

opioids for patients with valid needs and with the priority of reducing opioid misuse and abuse,” said Senator Vitale. “These analgesic drugs with abuse-deterrent qualities, while not entirely abuse-proof, merge both intended outcomes: pain relief for those who need it and significantly reduced risks of misuse.”  
According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 44 people die from prescription painkiller overdose in the United States each day. Additionally, the abuse and misuse of opioids is estimated to cost the U.S. \$560 billion to \$635 billion annually, including lost wages and productivity. This includes around \$72 billion in additional healthcare costs.  
Massachusetts, Maine and Maryland have enacted laws requiring insurance coverage for abuse-deterrent opioids. Nineteen other states, including New York, California, and Connecticut have legislation pending regarding coverage for abuse-deterrent opioids.  
The bill cleared the Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee by a vote of 8-4. It now heads to the full Senate for consideration.

# Vitale Welcomes Expansion of Prescription Monitoring Program to Three Additional States Reaffirms Commitment to the Fight Against Opiate and Heroin Abuse

Press Release 1/7/16  
TRENTON – Senate Health Committee Chairman and a sponsor of legislation that was signed into law in July 2015 which updated, expanded and improved the state’s Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) issued the following statement in response to the recent announcement of three additional states now sharing data with New Jersey. The NJPMP is an electronic database operated by the state that collects prescription data of Controlled Dangerous Substances dispensed in outpatient settings in New Jersey in an effort to identify individuals who are “doctor shopping” for opiates and prescribers that are operating “pill mills.” It is available to all licensed health-care practitioners authorized by the state to prescribe or dispense CDS medications.  
“Rhode Island, Virginia and Minnesota are a welcome addition to our network of states sharing data with New Jersey’s system to proactively address the growing problem of heroin addiction and opiate abuse in the nation. As doctors and pharmacists regularly monitor their patients’ prescription drug use, they are helping to strengthen a concerted effort to tackle the problem of heroin

addiction at one of its primary sources – prescription painkillers.  
“But our efforts must not stop here. We must look to expand the network beyond the current five states. We need to engage our neighboring states, New York and Pennsylvania, and the rest of the 49 states with prescription drug monitoring programs to share data for a more holistic approach. Such programs are helping to safeguard public health and safety across the nation while supporting the legitimate medical use of controlled substances for those who need them.  
“If we are going to halt the abuse and diversion of prescription drugs, we need to put our hands together as a nation to combat this raging epidemic and public health crisis from which no one is immune. The whole is greater than the sum of its parts.  
“I am pleased to see the progress made with three additional states linked to New Jersey’s PMP, and I remain committed to the fight against opiate and heroin abuse through education, prevention, treatment and recovery efforts so we can begin to reverse the rapid trend of increasing opiate addiction and overdose deaths across the state.”

# Food Pantry

SAYREVILLE - Each month on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month our Food Pantry “Daily Bread” distributes food for those in need. Between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Faith Fellowship Ministries, 2707 Main St., Sayreville. For more info call (732)727-9500 ext. 1704

# Reiki 1 Training Workshop

PERTH AMBOY - The Integrative Medicine Program at Raritan Bay Medical Center is holding a two-day Reiki 1 Training Workshop, Saturday and Sunday, January 30 & 31, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the Raritan Bay Area YMCA, 357 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy, NJ. Learn to practice Reiki a simple and effective healing practice for relaxation, pain relief and overall well-being. The workshop is presented by Reiki Master Sharon Yeskel. All participants will be Level 1 Reiki practitioner upon completion. All participants must attend both days. Cost is \$185 per person. Registration required, call 732-324-5257 or email integrative-health@rbmc.org.

# Dowdell Library Foundation DVD & Recorded Media Drive

SOUTH AMBOY - Your fall cleanout is done and you’re wondering what to do with all of those unwanted DVD’s, CD’s, and video games. How about donating them to South Amboy’s Sadie Pope Dowdell Library? Just bring those unwanted items to the library, during regular hours. No VHS please!  
This program has been running since 2012 collecting thousands of DVD’s and other electronic media for the library. Those generous donations have enabled the library to increase its resources for the benefit of South Amboy residents and the surrounding communities.  
All donations are fully tax deductible and the Dowdell Library Foundation, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation. Please call (732)721-6060 for library hours. To schedule a pick-up for larger collections, please contact Grace at 732-721-6592. Your support is greatly appreciated.

# Pallone Statement on President’s Executive Order on Common-Sense Gun Safety

Press Release 1/5/16  
WASHINGTON, DC – Today, Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr. (NJ-06) made the following statement on President Obama’s Executive Order to require small-scale gun sellers to get federal licenses, among other provisions:  
“President Obama’s bold

action today is a welcome, overdue, and necessary move to make our nation safer. For too long, Republicans in Congress have blocked any and all meaningful action on gun safety – and lives have been lost. I applaud the President for acting in the interest of the vast majority of the country. While

we shouldn’t need additional motivation to put an end to gun violence, the President’s executive order is a meaningful and encouraging step forward and it fuels my commitment to continue the fight for common-sense, lifesaving gun control legislation.”

## PAVFD Parade Committee Spaghetti Dinner, St. Stephens Memorial Hall - 1/16/16

*\*Photos by Paul W. Wang*



Mary Hart spaghetti dinner prepared by the PAVFD



Ronald M. Chabala helps out



Aliyah Santiago (C), Granddaughter of Leslie Dominguez celebrated her 5<sup>th</sup> Birthday at the dinner. Wilson Vasquez (L) and Ronald Chabala (R)



Dana Stefanick, Wilson Vasquez, Joe Rodzinka, Ronald Chabala and Victor Mejia

## Little Scientists

SOUTH AMBOY - Little Scientists Mondays 12/4 & 12/18 - Little Magformers; 12/11 & 12/25 - Play-Doh at 1:30 p.m. at the Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. Ages 3-5 yrs. For more info call 732-721-6060.

## Lego Toddlers

SOUTH AMBOY - Ages 2-3 yrs. old. Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m. at the Dowdell Library of South Amboy, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. For more info call 732-721-6060. Come build with us!

## Lecture by Joyce Richardson

PERTH AMBOY - Joyce Richardson will be giving a lecture on her father, Herbert Richardson on Sunday, February 28<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. at the Kearny Cottage, 63 Catalpa Ave., Perth Amboy.

## Grandparents Newborn Care Class

PERTH AMBOY - Raritan Bay Medical Center is providing a Grandparents Newborn Care Class Thursday, January 28, 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Raritan Bay Area YMCA, 357 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy, NJ. The class is about learning to help in your grandbaby's growth and development. The latest research in baby care will be discussed. Cost is \$50 per couple. Make checks payable to RBMC. Registration required, call 1-800-DOCTORS(1.800.362.8677).

## Bariatric Weight Loss Support Group

OLD BRIDGE - Raritan Bay Medical Center's for Weight Loss is sponsoring a Bariatric Weight Loss Support Group Meeting Wednesday, January 27, 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., at its Old Bridge location. For individuals who have had surgery or contemplating weight loss surgery or are trying to maintain a healthy weight. Family and friends are welcome. The meeting will be held in Suite 404, Medical Arts Building, 3 Hospital Plaza, Old Bridge, NJ. Registration required, call 1.855.TIME.4.ME (1.855.846.3463).

## Healthy Heart Event

OLD BRIDGE - Raritan Bay Medical Center's Institute for Weight Loss is sponsoring a seminar "Is Weight Loss Surgery Right For Me?" Wednesday, January 27, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at its Old Bridge location. The informative event will focus on weight loss surgery including discussion on Roux-En-Y Gastric Bypass, Adjustable Gastric Banding, and Gastric Sleeve and concerns surrounding weight loss surgery as well as its successes. Family and friends are welcome. The meeting will be held in Suite 404, Medical Arts Building, 3 Hospital Plaza, Old Bridge, NJ. For more information, call 1.855.TIME.4.ME(1.855.846.3463).

## Mayor's Community Meeting 1/14/16



Mayor Diaz speaks at the 1/14/16 Community Meeting at the Olive Street Community Center *\*Photo by Katherine Massopust*



Members of the Community were in attendance *\*Photo by Carolyn Maxwell*

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spoke, "Being a volunteer is a great opportunity. Now if you become a Firefighter you are certified anywhere in the USA. Pitre stated that more women should consider becoming firefighters and added, "It's refreshing to see young people here."

Deputy Chief Larry Cattano PAPD stated that there will be 13 new Police Officers sworn in (See Amboy Guardian 1/20/16 Issue, p. 7.) "It's been more than 30 years we've had that many Police Officers. There will be Officers walking the beat. Now we are able to do what we couldn't do in a number of years. We will double the amount of Special Officers. Quality of Life Issues affect everyone. We are breaking the barriers down. We participate in LEAD (Law Enforcement Against Drugs)

Program.

Department of Public Works Director Frank Hoffman spoke about Perth Amboy's new garbage truck that they hope to purchase and the services that the DPW offers.

A representative from the Parking Utility stated that the Pay Stations are replaced in six municipal lots.

Mayor Diaz then spoke about Shop and Dine in Perth Amboy and the use of social media to promote business in Perth Amboy. "Our goal is to maintain taxes and keep them flat."

Mayor Diaz and the City Department Heads and Representatives then met with the attendees at the Meeting for any questions or concerns that they might have. The next Community Meeting is Thursday, January 28 at 7 p.m. at the Brighton Avenue Community Center. Everyone is invited to attend.

## CASA of Middlesex County

*Upcoming Training for New Volunteer Advocates for Children*

Press Release 1/25/16

NEW BRUNSWICK - Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Middlesex County has current openings for volunteers to advocate for children in Middlesex County who have experienced abuse or neglect.

CASA volunteers, who are appointed by a judge, provide an independent voice for a child and speak for the child's best interests. They research the child welfare case, meet with the child and the people involved in the child's life and provide reports to the court to help secure a safe, stable and permanent home for the child as quickly as possible. The vision of CASA of Middlesex County is to provide access to a Court Appointed Special Advocate to any child in Middlesex County who has been removed from their home because of abuse or neglect.

CASA volunteers come from all walks of life, with no special background needed. Training and ongoing supervision for volunteers is provided. Applicants must be at least 21 years of age and pass background checks. The next volunteer training session begins Feb. 16, 2016. Applications are due by Feb. 11, 2016.

For info on volunteering call (732) 246-4449, email [info@casa-ofmiddlesexcounty.org](mailto:info@casa-ofmiddlesexcounty.org), or visit <http://www.casaofmiddlesexcounty.org/>

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***This Week in World War II  
75 Years Ago***

By: Phil Kohn. *Dedicated to the memory of his father, GM3 Walter Kohn, U.S. Navy Armed Guard, USNR, and all men and women who have answered the country's call in time of need. Phil can be contacted at [ww2remembered@yahoo.com](mailto:ww2remembered@yahoo.com).*

On January 24, 1941, there is a brief tank battle at Mechili, Libya. The British and the Italians suffer somewhat equal losses before the Italians pull back. The result, however, is that the Italian forces are now split, with some around Mechili and the rest at Derna, some 74 miles to the north on the Libyan coast. Neither group can support each other. Realizing this, Allied 13th Corps commander Acting Lt.-Gen. Richard O'Connor sends his Australians toward Derna, while ordering his British troops to encircle Mechili.

In Albania, both Greek and Italian forces report back to their respective headquarters on January 25 that many troops fighting in the mountains are suffering from frostbite. The Italians also seem to be incurring an outbreak of typhoid.

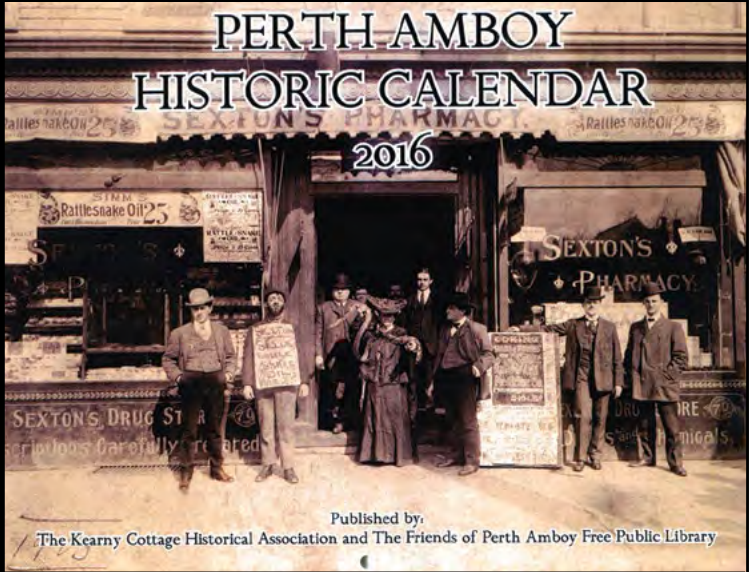
In North Africa, part of the British blocking force around Mechili, Libya, is handled poorly, and the Italians encircled there are able to successfully break out on January 26.

On January 27, Joseph Grew, the U.S. ambassador to Japan, reports to Washington a rumor heard at a diplomatic reception in Tokyo concerning a surprise attack by Japan on the U.S. Naval Base at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. Grew's information is relayed to — and discounted by — both Adm. Harold Stark, chief of naval operations, and Adm. Husband Kimmel, commandant at Pearl Harbor. In East Africa, the British advance in Eritrea reaches Agordat, midway between the Sudanese border and the Red Sea. The Italian defenders dig in and a battle starts shaping up. In Albania, Count Galeazzo Ciano, Italy's foreign minister and Benito Mussolini's son-in-law, and other high Italian government officials arrive to take up military commands, presumably to boost the morale of the Italian troops.

Italian forces begin pulling out of Derna, Libya, on January 29, retreating to the west along the road that skirts the Mediterranean coast. In East Africa, the 11th and 12th East African Divisions and the 1st South African Division, all under the overall command of Lt.-Gen. Alan Cunningham, cross the border from Kenya into Italian Somaliland. The same day, in Washington, D.C., secret talks begin between British and American representatives and their staffs. Lasting for just about two months, the conferences will generate an Allied policy that holds that in the event of a war with both Germany and Japan, the defeat of Germany first would have the highest priority. The talks mark the first stage of increasing cooperation — and comfort level — between British and American war planners.

The next day, January 30, the Australian 19th Brigade, overcoming the resistance of the last defenders, captures Derna, Libya, from the Italians.

***2016 Historic Perth Amboy  
Calendars***



**2016 Historic Perth Amboy Calendars are available at the Barge Restaurant, 201 Front St., Perth Amboy 732-442-3000 or at Fertigs Dept. Store, 195 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy 732-442-1079 or Call Paul or Katherine at 732-293-1090. Back by popular demand the Calendars feature old photographs from Perth Amboy. Sponsored by the Kearny Cottage Historical Association and the Friends of Perth Amboy Free Public Library. Calendars are \$10 Each.**

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**Saint Joseph High School  
Students Achieve First Place  
with Special Merit by the American Scholastic Press Association**

Press Release  
METUCHEN - Saint Joseph High School is pleased to announce that the 2015 Vignette literary magazine has been awarded "First Place with Special Merit" by the American Scholastic Press Association.

This nationwide contest is juried by print-industry professionals who grade and critique each literary magazine entry. Out of a possible 1,000 total points, the Vignette scored 975, thus earning this distinction. The Vignette was one of only five high schools (public and private, enrollment 500-1000) throughout NJ to achieve the "First Place with Special Merit" honor.

Judging categories include: content coverage, organization, design, presentation, and creativity "I am very proud of the literary staff," stated Dr. Martine Gubernat, Vignette co-moderator. "A tremendous

amount of work goes into putting together this booklet. They did an outstanding job."

"The layout staff proved to be a great team," said Mr. George Milligan. "They spent many hours assembling and formatting the booklet. I was impressed by their collaboration."

The literary magazine has been recognized in the past by the ASPA. The Vignette earned "First Place with Special Merit" in 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007, and 2006.

"We are most proud of our students and faculty moderators and this accomplishment for the Vignette," stated the Principal, Mr. Justin J. Fleetwood. "Their consistent attention to detail and their pursuit of excellence are hallmarks of the Charism of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart and lead them to 'Becoming Saint Joseph Men.'"

**Tricky Tray**  
PERTH AMBOY - Mother's Guild Tricky Tray, Sunday, January 17, 2016 at 3 p.m. at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 183 Rector St., Perth Amboy. Admission is \$5. For more info please call 732-826-1594. 1/13

**AC Bus Trip**  
PERTH AMBOY - The San Salvador Seniors are sponsoring a bus trip to Caesar's Casino in AC on Thursday, February 4th. Bus leaves 12 Noon from the Perth Amboy Knights of Columbus, High Street, Perth Amboy. Cost 30 pp. Receive \$30 back in slot dollars. For more info call Joe at 732-826-0819. 1/27

**Pirohi Sale**  
PERTH AMBOY - St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church, Perth Amboy is having a pirohi sale from Jan 25th to Jan 28th. All gourmet items are handmade. Place your order between 9 a.m. and 12 Noon by calling 732-826-7067. Price is \$8.00. Pickup date is Feb. 2nd and Feb 3rd beginning at 2 p.m. Pick up orders at 404 Division St., Perth Amboy. 1/13

**Send Your Events to:**  
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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.*

Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

*(Never known to fail)*  
O Most Beautiful Flower of Mt. Carmel, Fruitful Vine, Splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. O Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother. O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee *(3 times)*.  
  
Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands *(3 times)*.

*Say this prayer for 3 consecutive days. You must publish it, and it will be granted to you. N.L.*

**Lecture by Donald Peck**  
PERTH AMBOY - Donald Peck will lecture and sign his new book “The American Journey of Hope” on Sunday, March 13 at 2 p.m. at the Kearney Cottage, 63 Catalpa Ave., Perth Amboy.

**Uncle Floyd**  
SOUTH AMBOY – The SAFD Merchandise Hose Company presents, “An Evening with Uncle Floyd.” Appearing on Saturday, Feb. 27 at 7 p.m. at Sacred Hall Annex Hall (Memorial Hall) on Washington Rd., South Amboy. Buffet, Beer and Wine. \$40 pp. For tickets call 732-642-4608 or email SAFD1LMartinJr@gmail.com 1/27

Connections Program Seeks Volunteers

METUCHEN - The Connections Program of Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen, a voluntary child to adult match program is seeking adult volunteers to provide a positive friend relationship to children and youth that has suffered a loss or has special needs. These children reside in Middlesex County and Franklin Township and are in desperate need of a positive role model. Adult Volunteers are being sought to make a difference in the lives of children and youth through one-to-one activities. Any individual 18 years old or older, of any ethnic, religious or economic background, who is interested in making a positive impact on a child’s life is eligible to become an adult volunteer mentor.

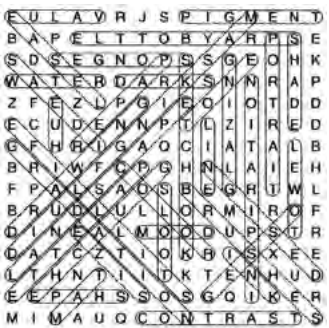
All adult volunteers will be screened, receive training, staff support and other services as needed. If you are interested in learning more about the Connections Mentoring Program, please contact Jeanette Cullen at (732) 738-1323. 1/27

Senior Scene Happenings

- Perth Amboy**  
WED. Jan. 27 Holy Rosary Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Auditorium, Florida Grove Rd.  
• St. Stephen’s Seniors, 1 p.m., Cafeteria, State St.  
THURS. Jan. 28 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.  
MON. Feb. 1 St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.  
TUES. Feb. 2 Holy Spirit Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Church Hall, Brace Ave.  
• Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.  
WED. Feb. 3 Holy Rosary Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Auditorium, Florida Grove Rd.  
• St. Stephen’s Seniors, 1 p.m., Cafeteria, State St.  
• Holy Trinity Seniors, 1 p.m., Church Hall, Lawrie & Johnstone St.
- South Amboy**  
WED. Feb. 3 South Amboy Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave  
MON. Feb. 8 St. Mary’s Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.  
MON. Feb. 29 Sacred Heart Seniors, 12 Noon Memorial Hall, Wash Ave.

**Attn: If Your Club changes Your Schedule due to the Holidays or if you have Community Events to Submit Please give us two weeks advanced notice! 732-896-4446 or 732-261-2610 AmboyGuardian@gmail.com**

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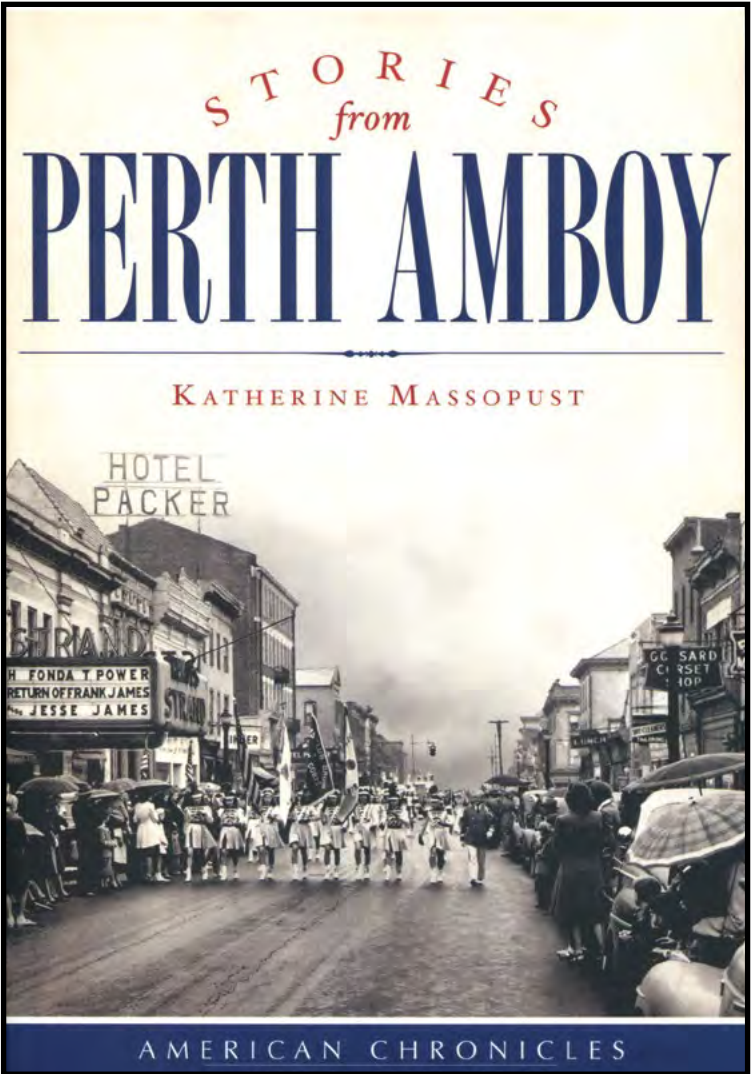


LOOKING BACK



PERTH AMBOY - View of Smith Street during the Blizzard of 1996.

\*Photo by Paul W. Wang



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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.*

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F.M.J.

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Prayer To Holy Spirit

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