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Not Buying It: Concerns About Trust, Losing Part of City's History & Population Density 6/14/16 PARA Meeting

PERTH AMBOY - Residents of the City showed their support for the homeowners of the Landings Complex at the 6/14/16 PARA Meeting.

Kushner Representatives came back to present a revised plan for the proposed Sea Gate Development and how they will reduce the number of units.

In spite of this, those present in the audience were not buying this. Council President Lisa Nanton said, "The City's infrastructure can't support this (development). It looks like a tenement. I don't trust your credibility. You would not present anything like this to Staten Island, Sayreville or South Amboy. This is not a Victorian Look. Our property values are already low."

Landings Resident and planning Board Member Christine Dispenziere came up to speak. "Kushner presented us with a beautiful development (the Landings) and failed. I'm embarrassed about our property. The only value is the water (Waterfront area). I don't know how you (PARA) had allowed this. You can't trust him. The Landings is falling apart. How can you give them the courage to even show them? They can't even built their properties here. They took our (Landings Home Owners) money and ran. The Landings has poor construction and it's not what we paid for. When we have high winds and rainstorms we get floods. I paid a lot of money for my unit. Kushner has money but spent it in New York. Fix our properties first. The Waterfront is the last of our jewels. Do you (PARA) want Sea Gate built and have the same problems as the Landings? South Amboy and other places are building with home ownership."

Resident Alan Silber came to show his support to the Landings owners. Silber stated "This Meeting should have been held at the Landings location, and the original Landings Presenta-



Planning Board Member
Christine Dispenziere



PA-HPC Member
Anna Daily



Representatives from Kushner Enterprises



Concerned Members of the Audience

tion should have been shown. Kushner blames the economy. This is all make believe. It's an unstable world. Nobody in Perth Amboy will approve this plan. Between 2000 and 2013 the home sales are down in Perth Amboy by 18%."

Historic Preservation Chair and Resident Reinaldo Aviles had concerns about one of the historic sites. He disagreed about slow home sales in Perth

Amboy. Houses are being sold left and right in Perth Amboy. Our concern (the PA-HPC) with the plan is that Thomas Mundy Peterson (First Black Person to ever vote under the 15th Amendment who lived in Perth Amboy) house was located there. The Historic Preservation Commission is requesting that there be a dig on that site

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Playing With Fire 6/22/16 Council Meeting

PERTH AMBOY - Public Hearing held on June 8, 2016 - No. 1. An Ordinance adopting an amendment of Article II of Chapter 98 of the Code of the City of Perth Amboy. Re: Public Contracting.

Despite what Executive Director Office of Economic and Community Development Perth Amboy Redevelopment Agency Annie Hindenlang and Joseph Maraziti of the Maraziti LLP Law Firm said they were no violations by developers of the existing ordinance.

Some residents still were not satisfied.

Former Councilman Ken Balut wanted to know, "Were there any violations of the ordinance right now? There was a big hoopla from a citizen's committee about this. Where are they now? Are they informed? The lawyer did not do due diligence. Before voting on this, you should know who the contractors are and if they are in violation. Why did this just pop up now just before the elections? The public should know it's a bunch of bull."

Council President Lisa Nanton had a problem with Paragraph B (*see www.amboygardian.com for a copy of the ordinance*) "We should look at that section and remove it. That's what the citizen's committee suggested."

Balut then asked, "How can you vote on this if you don't know if anyone is in violation?"

Law Director Arlene Quinones-Perez said, "Annie Hindenlang said there were no violations at the time she looked at it. I don't know if there are any violations now."

Joseph Maraziti of the Maraziti LLP Law Firm spoke.

"There were no violations of the \$300 ceiling. The ordinance that's in the books makes it a violation if there are contributions in any amounts. This (amendment) will not address prior contributions. The timing of this problem was identified prior to the election. There's always elections going on." He proceeded to say, "Annie Hindenlang said it's because that there's more developing that will be coming up. I'll be clear about this. We saw no violations when my associate did an analysis. This does not forgive prior violations. This change in the ordinance is for the future and not retroactive."

Balut was still not satisfied and said, "You did not do your due diligence."

Council President Lisa Nanton responded, "You can OPRA information and contributions of past developers."

Resident Alan Silber spoke about Ali Rada who had made contributions to political contributions in the past. He asked Maraziti if Rada is a developer.

Maraziti answered, "The name does not ring a bell."

Silber came back and mentioned about a project that will be taking place on Washington Street.

Maraziti answered back, "I know about that site, but Rada is not a redeveloper. I don't know the facts if he violated the pay to play in the past. PARA did not pass this project."

Silber proceeded to talk about an executive order from the Mayor in 2009 to combat political corruption. Mr. Rada gives to everyone. If you pass this, then you are for political

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PARA Meeting

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 to check for any historical artifacts. The parcel we're talking about isn't very large. We request that piece not be touched to commemorate it. We have lost a lot of history and don't want to lose that. We're happy that Kushner will look at that historic value."

Resident and Councilman Fernando Gonzalez had some concerns. He stated, "Someone said they think this (Seagate Community) is a done deal. The (City's) Master Plan no longer exists. Instead of asking people what they want, developers do whatever they want. Everything has been changed from ownership to rental. We are the dumping ground and they are cuddling him (Kushner). This administration must deal part of the property that belongs to us. They never closed on the \$4 million that they were supposed to buy from us. We lost over 10 years of taxes owed on that property. Redevelopment should be for the benefit of the citizens. Don't sell yourself to Kushner."

Resident and HPC Member Anna Daily came up to speak. "My request is a citizen and a member of the community that is concerned about the Thomas Mundy Peterson Property. Peterson voted in this building (City Hall). It's embarrassing that Perth Amboy doesn't have a statue commemorating Thomas Mundy Peterson. I'm appealing on behalf of the Community that Mr. Kushner should donate the Peterson Property."

Resident Mel Knight who is also the Vice-President of the Perth Amboy NAACP spoke about the historical value of

Perth Amboy. Besides the Peterson site, she mentioned Eagleswood. *(The historic progressive school which taught both sexes and all races. See documentary by John K. Dyke or Stories From Perth Amboy by Katherine Massopust)* "You should want to make this happen. The plan is nice, but where is the history? To sell it for a buck? I'm a descendant of slaves. The NAACP wants to see something historical happen on the Thomas Mundy Peterson Site."

Next to speak was Planning Board Chair Maria Garcia. She wondered, "How many people were expected to live in the plan that was first presented? Have you thought about the overcrowding? We need to slow it down and think about how we need to progress. Reduce the size. No rentals. Maybe single family home or townhouses. The town is not that big and we are on top of each other. You represent us and not the builders. We will suffer and pay."

A Landings Homeowner came up to speak next and stated, "This plan scares the hell out of me. I love the scenery, but the buildings are falling apart at the Landings. Not many places have a vantage point (the view). We need more of a police presence. I constantly have to pull glass out of my dog's paws."

Resident Maria Vera wondered, "Where are we going to park if this is built? Teachers have to park far away from where the schools are. We can't find parking at the Waterfront and we can't breathe. 30,000 people surround each other. Put a playground or museum there. People that are moving into town are not improving our quality of life. We work

hard. Why are they destroying our town? We care. They don't. We have to live with it every single day."

A Landings Resident who is a Board Member in the Bayview Building urged the PARA Members to look at the previous video. "I bought my unit in 2007. There are so many discrepancies. They are smiling because they ripped us off."

The next person who came up to speak was Steve Nascimento who is a homeowner in Harbortown and a Planning Board Member. "We have our Homeowner's Association as well. I have been here for 10 years and our property values have gone down. Most of the Harbortown units are rentals. I urge you to reject the new complex. Be cautious."

Another Landing Resident came forward and just bluntly said, "We've been coming here for 10 years. The last piece of nice property will be destroyed. Do the right thing - no rentals. Property must be bought."

Resident Brian Bonilla was concerned as a parent, "They (Kushner) had their chance. They blew it. One of my children has to be bussed to a school in Fords because of overcrowding."

One of the representatives from Kushner Enterprises came up to speak regarding the Landings Residents' complaints, "Kushner Companies does care and they want to fix the homeowners properties, but they will not let us onto the properties."

Another Resident suggested, "In the meantime the property can be used as a Farmer's Market or Flea Market until you decide what you want to do. Let

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EDITORIAL

It All Ties in Together They Get It



At the Perth Amboy High School Graduation Ceremonies 6/24/16, some of the words spoken by the Valedictorian and Salutatorian stuck with me.

The Salutatorian Rafael Tafur became emotional when he talked about his mother not being here for his graduation. She was in Peru getting documentation on her road to become an American Citizen. He also spoke proudly about his father who has been in this country for 29 years and failed the citizenship test the first time and finally the second time around, he became a naturalized American Citizen.

Tafur spoke with great pride about his parents and achieving this great dream. The point is that it took his parents years. They waited patiently and followed the rules.

When the Valedictorian, Angela Febres came up to speak, she talked about how human trafficking and other social ills are still prevalent.

When I listened to these two young people speak, I said to myself, If they keep on that same train of thought, they will become great leaders.

We ourselves, have written editorials pertaining to human trafficking, and especially how it pertains to children and young adults. We've also written about the importance of assimilating to become an American Citizen and you can still hold on to your cultural heritage.

As we celebrate the Fourth of July, let's not forget those who fought for our freedom and let's all celebrate this holiday boldly displaying the American flag. *C.M.*

THE COMMUNITY VOICE

Flag Day June 14th, 2016

American Legion Post 45 of Perth Amboy would like to sincerely thank the PAFD En-

gine 3 and Firemen Wildelm, Perez and Munzo for their assistance on our flag burning ceremony. They stood by from the beginning to the end. A big thank you from the Vets.

We also would like to thank Lt. Tiburcio and Lt. Tiara of our NJROTC Program for their attendance and participation.

Thank you from Post 45

Choosing a Presidential Candidate

In July the Democratic Party will hold a convention to select a Presidential candidate. Will they choose wisely? A dictionary defines the words "dynasty" and "democracy". A dynasty is the opposite of a democracy. So why chose a dynasty?

In 1968 two "law and order" Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates were elected, and then re-elected in 1972. Afterwards they both had to resign because of their past criminal actions. Why choose a candidate likely guilty of illegal actions?

Someone who did not do well as Secretary of State and had to resign does not belong in a more stressful and powerful government office.

There is an experienced politician who has done a better job as Secretary of State than his predecessor, and was previously elected US Senator without depending on a family connection. John Kerry was both a Vietnam War hero and then an opponent of this mistaken war. He is the better and more experienced candidate.

Ronald A. Sobieraj

Response to Tom Hudanish Letter

According to Mr. Hudanish, "No elected officeholder should divide their time in office between their official duties and their personal advancement." So following that logic, anyone who holds an elected public office must resign from that office to either run for another office or re-election to the same office.

If that's the case, Mayor Diaz should resign immediately as mayor. Otherwise she would be, in Mr. Hudanish's words, dividing her time between her official duties and her personal advancement. Given that she is the sitting mayor, every time she speaks at a fundraiser or attends a political event, she is

cheating the residents of Perth Amboy because she is not doing the city's business—only concentrating on her, in Mr. Hudanish's words, "personal advancement."

Fernando Irizarry should resign his seat as well, according to Mr. Hudanish's rules. Isn't he also cheating the residents of Perth Amboy by campaigning while he should be doing the city's business?

This is a ridiculous idea for a councilperson or the mayor. Throughout our political history, candidates have always stood for elected office—even higher office—while continuing to serve in the office they presently occupy. Why all of a sudden Joel Pabon has to follow a different standard is puzzling. Should there be special rules set up now for anyone who holds office in Perth Am-

boy who DARES to challenge the incumbent mayor?

By that logic, Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton should have resigned from the Senate in 2008 when they sought the presidency. This year, Bernie Sanders, Lindsey Graham, Rick Perry, Bobby Jindal, Chris Christie, and scores of others should have resigned when they ran for president. Following The Hudanish Rule, there would be an absurd and damaging amount of turnover—elected offices by the scores left vacant each time someone decided to run for higher office.

Another example of selective, but not well thought out, criticism.

Lisa Nanton

Election Results for South Amboy Primary

Ward 1 - **Brian McLaughlan - 222 Votes**

Francis Butch Mulvey - 143 Votes

Ward 2 - **Tom Reilly - 186 Votes**

Ward 3 - **Zusette Dato - 259 Votes**

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 WED. Jul. 13 City Council, Regular, 7 p.m.
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PARA Meeting

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the people of Perth Amboy use the space in the meantime." Daisy Gonzalez who is an owner in the Admiral Building said, "We have been in litigation for 10 years and Kushner's engineers and inspectors have seen the property. They know the problems." Mayor Diaz who is also the Chair of PARA stated, "We will have a sit-down with Kushner. Not every Board Member has the history of the Landings. We are working on projects to bring rateable's to the City. We need to have people in the transit area to support local small businesses. We are having community meetings and our City Directors are there to be available to meet with those attending. She told the Landings Residents, "We can meet with you on your site. We will go back to Kushner with all your concerns. Kushner will help out with the Mundy site which is historic here and to the Country." PARA Member Geri Bolo-nowski questioned how they were going to reduce the number of units. The Kushner Representative said, "Some of the one bedroom units will be converted to two bedroom units." PARA Member Elaine Jasko had concerns about the density.

"There was a default of the previous contract. As far as the infrastructure, we are not capable of this additional density. There are other projects that were approved. City Services concerns me. Harry Pozycki of the Citizen's Campaign and those in Perth Amboy that belong to the group should be sent the Sea Gate plan." PARA Member Joel Rosa said, "We should have the questions and answers posted on the website." During the second public portion Reinaldo Aviles came up to speak again. "We should demand that a portion of the construction jobs from the Developers be given to the Residents." When Resident Mel Knight came up to speak again, she challenged the Board. "I want you to be accountable about preserving the historic sites. I need to be told publicly and not by word of mouth. The Peterson Site needs to be preserved for the entire country to see." Councilman Fernando Gonzalez spoke about other rentals on Hobart Street and the Five Corners. He wanted to know what attorneys from the DeCotiis firm were representing PARA at this Meeting. He also requested, "When the community event takes place at the Landings, please answer the questions in front of the crowd."

Mayor Diaz stated, "When we have Community Meetings, we (myself and Directors present) want to give people individual attention to a specific problem." Resident Alan Silber posed a question to PARA Member Joel Pabon, "Mr. Pabon, why would people think this is a new project? Just walk down Rector Street and look at the road conditions. It looks like World War II. See the garbage and broken glass. The Kushner Property is a dump. Have you all looked back there? That's why people are coming here, because they think it's a done deal." Christine Dispenziere encouraged the new PARA Members to look at the original plans and videos for the Landings." Near the end of the Meeting, Mayor Diaz said, "Anyone can follow up with our Executive Director Annie Hindenlang for any additional question that you may have. The Kushner Representatives came back to answer your concern from the last meeting." Anna Daily told the PARA Members, "Let us know the outcome of these negotiations. The elections are coming up. This property (Thomas Mundy Peterson) Parcel should be gifted to us (the City.)"

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

PARKING ADVISORY

- All Streets south of Lewis Street will CLOSED at 6:00 p.m.
- Residents who live south of Lewis Street will have to provide proof of address for access to local streets. Guests of residents will not be able to drive or park their vehicles on these closed streets
- Free meter parking after 5:00 p.m. in the downtown district and public parking lots

TRAFFIC ADVISORY

- High Street from Smith Street to Sadowski Parkway will be open only to neighborhood residents with proof of address
- All traffic South of Lewis Street will be closed to the public
- Sadowski Parkway (both sides) and Water Street (East Side) to the Raritan Bay Yacht Club will be posted as NO PARKING. Road will be closed to traffic at 6:00 pm
- Lewis Street will be One Way going West from High Street to Second Street; only open to local traffic
- Paterson Street will be One Way going East from Second Street to State Street; only open to local traffic.
- Sadowski Parkway will be closed at noon west of High to State Street

SAFETY ADVISORY

- No public drinking, no swimming, no fishing and no parking where signs are posted, you will be ticketed and towed. Perth Amboy beach area will be closed at 4:00 p.m.
- State Law prohibits the use of personal fireworks
- Pets are strongly discouraged from being present during the fireworks performance. This is for both their safety and the safety of the general public.
- Fishing pier will be closed at 10 a.m. on July 2nd and reopened at midnight.

For more information on the Independence Day Fireworks activities, please visit the Perth Amboy City website at: www.ci.perthamboy.nj.us or <http://www.celebratestarsandstripes.com/>

Perth Amboy and South Amboy Celebrate Independence Day With the Biggest Fireworks Spectacular in Garden State Ring in America's Birthday on Friday, July 1 from the Awesome Waterfront along Raritan Bay

Press Release 6/24/16

PERTH AMBOY & SOUTH AMBOY – The fireworks spectacular over Raritan Bay and along the beautiful Perth Amboy and South Amboy waterfronts on Friday, July 1 sets the new standard for celebrating America's Independence Day in New Jersey.

Perth Amboy and South Amboy are joining with **“Celebrate our Stars & Stripes.”** a nonprofit organization, to present sky-filling fireworks complete with brilliant bursts of light and booming sounds. **Garden State Fireworks**, recognized world champion in pyrotechnics design and display, is staging the event, which will be seen, heard and enjoyed by thousands of patriotic people.

Private contributions fund this completely free fireworks event. The “Celebrate Committee” is accepting donations in any amount from \$20,000 to \$50. This is a community event and the fundraising effort is supported by the community.

At the **Raritan Yacht Club**, the Committee is also running a “Dunk Tank Fundraiser” on July 1, and anyone can suggest candidates who can use a “good dunking.” **Perth Amboy Law Director Arlene Quinones Perez and South Amboy Council President Mickey Gross** have volunteered to get dunked. Good-natured officers from the Perth Amboy and South Amboy fire and police departments have also volunteered to get wet.

The “Celebrate” fireworks will be the best in N.J. **Garden State Fireworks’** August Santore, Jr. said, “The ‘Amboys’ fireworks will be the largest lo-

cal display during the July 4th weekend. The size and scope of fireworks show, the amount of high-powered pyrotechnics we’re using, and people in the viewing audience – make this the biggest ceremony in our State.”

Mayor Wilda Diaz said, “We host the Fourth of July weekend fireworks and activities to bring families together on America’s birthday. Equally important, we gather to appreciate the freedom, liberty and democracy which makes our nation a cherished place as well as a beacon of hope to everyone around the world.”

“We know it takes months of preparation to produce the “Celebrate our Stars & Stripes” fireworks for our communities, and we truly appreciate each person’s dedicated efforts,” said **South Amboy Mayor Fred Henry**. “Everything is in place for a grand evening, please join us to mark the moment in world history when America began its legacy as the home of the free and land of the brave.”

The pre-fireworks festivities along the Perth Amboy waterfront begin at 5 PM with music, food, and family fun. The festivities along the South Amboy waterfront begins at 7 PM. The crew from WCTC-AM and WMGQ-FM are playing non-stop music until the fireworks start. Fireworks fans can find food trucks and vendors on Sadowski Parkway from Wisteria Street to High Street. Food service continues to 9:30 PM.

The main events, the fireworks spectacular, starts with loud bangs, boom and brilliant bursts of light at 9:20 PM. The prime spots for viewing the



*Fireworks Photo Courtesy of Garden State Fireworks

fireworks are available along Water Street from the Raritan Yacht Club to the end of Sadowski Parkway (by Madison Avenue). During the fireworks the radio stations are simulcasting messages from the sponsors and festive sounds.

“Celebrate our Stars and Stripes” **Committee Chairman Barry Rosengarten** said, “We are grateful for all the support we received from Mayor Diaz and Mayor Henry. Each City’s Police, Fire and Public Works departments are supporting us, too. We are also grateful for donations from generous sponsors and people who volunteered their time to make our Independence Day Celebration an incredible success.”

For more information about the 2016 Fireworks Display, please contact the Public Information Office or Visit: www.celebratestarsandstripes.com.

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Meditation & Yoga at the Kearny Cottage
**Photos Submitted*

Meditation and Yoga at the Kearny Cottage with Johanna Figueroa

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PERTH AMBOY – The Jolin Food box program is designed to provide families with nationally branded food products at wholesale prices. On behalf of the Cathedral’s Community Development Corporation, the Jewish Renaissance Foundation’s AmeriCorps is helping promote the Jolin Food Box. This month’s deadline is Feb. 10. Pick Up Date is Saturday, Feb. 20 between 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. at 282 McClellan St., Perth Amboy. Check out <https://jolinfoodbox.com> or contact us at 732-826-8207.

6/22/16 Council Meeting

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corruption.”

Resident David Caba came up to speak and said, “The Mayor should distribute the wealth - part of the donation that she received. She has already spent \$200,000.”

Resident Stanley Sierakowski also was concerned about political contributions. He urged the council to table this in order to see what developers contributed. The Mayor is the Chair of PARA. You (the Council) can designate people from the audience to help you out (looking at previous political contributions). The Mayor should be at the mic to answer questions about her executive order from 2009. She can go to superior court and testify there.”

Resident Gregory Pabon came up to voice his opinion about this ordinance. He urged the Council to limit the amount of money for political contributions. “There have been Board of Education Candidates who received contributions from people from out of state who knew nothing about the City. The media makes money when these large contributions are made. We should set a limit of up to \$300.”

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez was uneasy about voting for this amendment of this ordinance. “We just got this 5 minutes ago (the re-

quested change). I didn’t get a chance to read it and it’s rather lengthy.”

Business Administrator Adam Cruz answered Councilman Fernando Gonzalez’ concerns. “We are just changing the \$3000 contribution limit to \$300.”

Gonzalez still had a concern and wanted to know, “What constitutes a major change in an ordinance? Does it have to be re-advertised?”

Councilman Bill Petrick spoke up and said, “Should we postpone? Law Director Perez said, “Your deleting one line and the amount changes.”

Gonzalez still had his concerns. “This is a major change. It may have not been properly advertised.”

During the second public portion, resident Alan Silber remarked, “That was some show that Maraziti had. The Executive Director (of PARA) said there were no violations. Are you saying that developers won’t come here because they can’t make campaign contributions? We’re giving some people projects and their using subcontractors. People were coming here that can’t build. Developers come here because they think we’re stupid. Now we have to pay Maraziti to come here again because we tabled this resolution. Why didn’t other people take those 12 parking spots if they were open to anyone?”

Codey-Vitale Bill to Establish Tuition Reimbursement Program for Psychiatrists Advances Aims to Address Shortage of Mental Health Care Access, Encourage Professionals to Practice in Underserved Areas

Press Release 6/23/16

TRENTON – Legislation sponsored by Senator Richard J. Codey, a leading advocate for mental health reform in New Jersey, and Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee chairman Joseph F. Vitale that would establish a tuition reimbursement program for psychiatrists to address a shortage of mental health care access in certain underserved areas of the State cleared the Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee today.

“Mental health is at the core of a functioning society, and providing mental health care services to those who need it, when they need it and where they need it is a moral obligation,” said Senator Codey (D-Essex and Morris). “This bill would put in place a tuition reimbursement program to incentivize a surge in available psychiatrists in New Jersey’s most underserved areas.”

Under the bill, S-2331, the Commissioner of Health would designate, on the basis of health status and economic indicators, geographic areas of the state which have a shortage of physicians in the specialty of psychiatry. The program would provide reimbursement of a portion of medical school tuition expenses to psychiatrists who agree to provide mental

health care services in one of these State underserved areas for a period of one to four years.

“We cannot ignore the shortage of mental health specialists and psychiatrists in certain areas of our state, which leaves vulnerable individuals without the care they need,” said Senator Vitale (D-Middlesex). “By connecting those who require treatment in areas of high need with those who provide the critically-needed service, the tuition reimbursement program created under this bill will prove to be a win-win.”

Program participants would be required to: (1) be State residents; (2) be State-licensed physicians who have completed all educational and residency training requirements for the practice of psychiatry; and (3) apply for the program within one year of completing an accredited residency program in psychiatry.

Under the bill, program participants would enter into a contract with the Higher Education Student Assistance Authority (HESAA) for a specified number of one-year periods of service, up to four years, in which they agree to engage in the full-time practice of psychiatry in a State underserved area. In return for this commitment, a portion of the participant’s tuition expenses

in attending medical school would be reimbursed.

Tuition reimbursement would equal 25 percent of the participant’s eligible tuition expenses for the one academic year of medical school attendance in which tuition was the lowest, in return for each full year of service under the program. The maximum total tuition reimbursement for a participant for four years of service would be 100 percent of the participant’s eligible tuition expenses for the one academic year of medical school attendance in which tuition was the lowest.

Under the bill, participants in the program would be required to adhere to certain terms and standards, including charging for professional services at the usual and customary rates, allowing patients who are unable to pay that charge to pay a reduced rate or receive care at no charge, and not discriminating against any patient on the basis of ability to pay. Participants would also be required to maintain their State residency and medical license, remain current with payments on any student loans, maintain satisfactory performance of services, and report to HESAA on the performance of services rendered prior to receiving tuition reimbursement.

Reenactment of the Arrest of Royal Governor William Franklin, Proprietary House, Perth Amboy 6/12/16

**Photos by Matthew Telliho*



John Dickerson as the Narrator with Royal Governor William Franklin (Kurt Epps)



John Dyke as Playwright William Dunlap (1766-1839) provides the introduction to the Play “The Arrest Of Royal Governor William Franklin”



Kurt Epps as Royal Governor William Franklin below the Governor’s Portrait



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Live Music Series

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NJ Conservative GOP Monthly Meeting

WOODBRIDGE - The next meeting of the NJ Conservative GOP will be held on Wednesday, June 29th, 7:30PM at J.J. Elek Realty (2nd Fl. conference room), 117 Main St., Woodbridge, NJ 07095. The guest speaker will be Commissioner Steven Rogers of Nutly, NJ. Steven Rogers is a Senior Military Intelligence Officer, USN (Retired), FBI National JTTF 2001-2004, and Steven is an adviser to the Donald J. Trump for President campaign 2016! He has appeared numerous times on FOX and CNN. For additional information contact: 732-596-2116.

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YMCA Kids Camp, Perth Amboy

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Tennis Down the Waterfront, Perth Amboy

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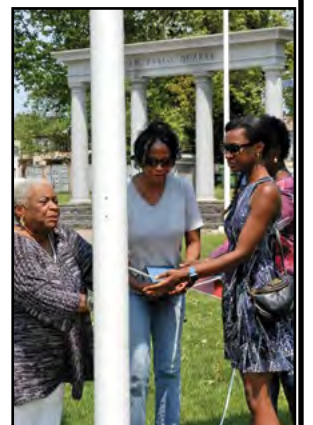


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International Park Flag Raising, Perth Amboy 6/23/16

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Legislation to Repeal Family Caps, Adjust Benefits Under Work First New Jersey Program Advances

Press Release 6/23/16

TRENTON – Legislation that would repeal the family cap in the Work First New Jersey (WFNJ) program and increase the amount of benefits under the program was approved today by the Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

The first bill, S-1854, sponsored by Senate Health Committee Chairman Joseph F. Vitale and Senator Ronald L. Rice, would repeal parts of the “Work First New Jersey Act” which prohibit a household from gaining additional cash assistance benefits as a result of the birth of a child. Currently, the law prevents an increase in the amount of a cash assistance grant if a child is born unless the child is born 10 months after applying for benefits or the birth is a result of rape or incest. The law also has certain exceptions for families with a working parent and for children born to minors.

“State assistance programs like Work First New Jersey are intended to alleviate the negative effects of poverty on individuals and families struggling to make ends meet,” said Senator Vitale (D-Middlesex). “As a family grows, especially one already living on a low income and relying on temporary assistance, its needs grow. Prohibiting additional assistance because a woman had a child is essentially punishing the children because it denies them of having their basic needs met and destroys the chances of growing up healthy and finding future success.”

New Jersey Policy Perspective reported recently that the state has seen an alarming increase of children living in poverty since the Great Recession. It further reports that since the family cap’s implementation in 1992, over 20,000 children in New Jersey have been denied assistance, which in turn creates enormous stress and greater hardship for these families.

“Our current law basically punishes low-income women for having children, without regard for what is in the children’s best interest,” said Senator Rice (D-Essex). “Child poverty rates in New Jersey

are already too high. This legislation will help address the issue by providing growing families with the assistance they need to survive.”

According to the Welfare Rules Database from the Urban Institute, and NCSL legislative summaries, at least 19 states currently have a family cap policy and an additional two states have a flat cash assistance grant regardless of family size.

The second bill, S-1829, sponsored by Senator Vitale and Senator Jim Whelan, would increase the maximum amount of cash assistance benefit for families participating in the WFNJ program over three years to factor in cost of living adjustments.

“While living expenses rise every year, families with dependent children receiving cash assistance through the Work First New Jersey program have seen no adjustment to their benefit amount to reflect the increased costs,” said Senator Whelan (D-Atlantic). “This legislation simply ensures that the assistance provided is realistic and consistent with current costs.”

Currently, New Jersey’s maximum benefit amount for WFNJ households is \$424 per month for a family of three. Under the bill, the maximum benefit amount would be increased to \$466 in FY 2017, \$509 in FY 2018 and \$551 in FY 2019. Subsequently, the maximum benefit would be annually adjusted according to the cost of living adjustment applied under the federal Social Security program.

New Jersey Policy Perspective also reported that the amount of assistance families receive has been stagnant for 29 years. As a result, assistance is worth less today than half what it was worth in 1987.

“Our safety net programs provide assistance to those who need it, but they must be indiscriminate and at the appropriate level to have an impact,” added Senator Vitale.

The bills were both released from the Senate Budget Committee and now head to the full Senate for consideration.

Perth Amboy: The Salt of the Earth

What is so special ‘bout Perth Amboy I thought
Shall I try to make list, or hadn’t I ought.

Let me see-

New Jersey, first state in the Union to sign

The Bill of Rights, November 20, 1789,

Ratified in Perth Amboy, now wasn’t that fine!

What is so special about Amboy I muse?

Different from any old town in the news.

Of course there’s the water, far as eyesight reaches,

With volunteers helping to clean up the beaches,

And Raritan Bay Hospital our employer of note

And the Petersen School where the first black man cast his vote.

And City Hall on the circle, oldest one in the nation,

Where I pay my taxes, still in operation.

Where city council holds meetings and all can be heard

Complaining about everything, even the absurd!

There’s the Royal Governor’s Mansion, Ben Franklin slept here

It’s our museum of note, it would appear.

It belongs t the state, but the house is our duty

And the Proprietary House Association has made it a beauty!

There’s the Ferry Slip Museum where the ferry did dock

And the Methodist Church steeple’s housing for our old town clock

And according to history we’re proud to relate

That St. Peter’s the oldest Episcopal parish in the state.

The Garden Club’s a gem, they green up the city

For the 11 public gardens, they’re a planting committee!

Which brings to mind artist in residence Tom Ward

Whose art graces houses and buildings restored

He paints murals on fences, garages and walls

Of city buildings and not to forget dining halls.

We have fishing piers, the boardwalk, yachts and oil tankers

Sailboats, tug boats and barges with anchors.

There are parks and parades and free Concerts by the Bay

Festivals and fireworks for the 4th on display

There’s the orange roofed railroad station, NJ Transit’s answer to commuter transportation

Go North to New York or south to a seashore destination

As the real estate moguls say, “location, location, location”

There’s routes 1 and 9, the Parkway and 287 and I should mention

440, 35 and the High St extension

What is so special about Amboy I repeat,

And I didn’t include all the places to eat!

Indeed what is so special about our town of Perth,

It’s the people, the mix, the salt of the earth!

Norma Witkin

Happy Independence Day! From the Staff of The Amboy Guardian



The Signing of the Constitution
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PRAHD Kindergarten Graduation, Perth Amboy 6/17/16

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Perth Amboy Education Center 40th Commencement Ceremony, Perth Amboy 6/23/16

**Photos by Bob Ned*



Perth Amboy High School Graduation, Perth Amboy 6/24/16

**Photos by Carolyn Maxwell*



Superintendent Dr. David Roman and Asst. Superintendent Dr. Vivian Rodriguez walk in. Behind him is Board Secretary Derek Jess

Students walk into Waters Stadium for the start of the Commencement Ceremony

Salutatorian Rafael Tafur

Valedictorian Angela Febres



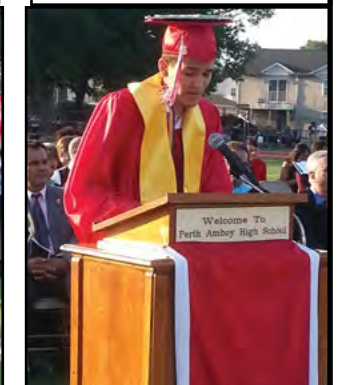
Silent Choir Sings and Signs One Republic



Mayor Wilda Diaz



PAHS Principal Mr. Eugene Mosley



Class President Luis Rivera



Board Member Anton Massopust shakes hands with a graduate



Board VP Israel Varela shakes hands with a graduate



Board President Sam Lebreault shakes hands with a graduate



Congratulations Graduates!

South Amboy High School Graduates 6/16/16

Valedictorian - Randy Joseph Breigle; **Salutatorian** - Mateusz Mroczkowski.

61 Graduates: Jessica Marie Bigelow, Randy Joseph Breigle, William David Charmello, Marena Dara Cleary, Allyssa Breanne Cox, Sydney DeVoe, Omar Escareno, Keahre Stephon Ford, Christina Ann Fruncillo, Christopher James Gavron, Alonzo Shamar Green, Mitchell Steven Hall, Donald George Hoeschele, Thereze Marie Silva Javelosa, Samantha Rose Kenyon, Jeremy Peter Klein, Brandon Douglas Koerner, Matthew Harrison Koy, Tara Meghan Lenahan, Lane Ryan Lepardo, Bryan Joseph Macato, Scott Mitchell Mahoney, Alyssa Christine Makar, Anthony Alfred Marinello, Christopher John McCabe, Daniel Michael McCabe, Tiarah Alize Moore, Timothy Stanley Moskal, Mateusz Mroczkowski, Paul Murphy, Takondwa Musa, Chelsea Catherine Nebus, Beth Anne Noble, Vincent James Novello, Brendan Thomas O'Keeffe, Jayson Olivares, Dean Sal Pagliaroli, Shihyong Park, Jonathan Drew Pawlik, Victoria Marie Pecoraino, Jaime Perez, Emily Joan Rand, Nicholas Erminio Reagan, Victoria Christine Reilly, Jesse Michael Richter, Justin Rios, Roger Miguel Romero, Helen Ann Rotondo, Thomas John Ryan, Hayley Schnyderite, Christopher Schweikert, Aminnah Aliyah Smith Louis, Luis Angel Suarez, Tara Ann Syslo Jacqueline Elizabeth Taggart, Jason Anthony Templeton, Joseph John Torre, Madeline Villalona, Liam Connor Vistad, Christopher Robert Warek, Jasmin Victoria Wright.

Congratulations Class of 2016!

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.*

The Battle of Raseiniai, in Lithuania, ends in an overwhelming German victory on June 27, 1941. The four-day fight pitted the 245 tanks of the 4th Panzer Group under Gen. Erich Hoepner against 749 tanks of the Soviet Red Army, commanded by Col.-Gen. Fyodor Kuznetsov. Of the Soviet armored force, 704 tanks are destroyed, while German losses are "light." The victory allows the Germans to continue their push eastward. In Belorussia, German Panzer groups link up and encircle about 20 divisions of the Soviet Red Army between Bialystok and Nowogródek, near Minsk. Churchill and Stalin reach an agreement that the United Kingdom and the Soviet Union will form an alliance to defeat Hitler.

On June 28, German forces take Minsk, in Belorussia, and Rovno, in Ukraine. Albania declares war on the Soviet Union. In Washington, President Roosevelt signs Executive Order 8807, creating the Office of Scientific Research and Development. It will be headed by Vannevar Bush, an electrical engineer who co-founded the Raytheon Company. The agency's research ranges widely; it includes the super-secret S-1 Section, later to become designated as the Manhattan Project.

In a decree issued on June 29, Hitler's second-in-command, Reichsmarschall Hermann Göring, is named as Der Führer's successor should Hitler die or be incapacitated during the war. In the Karelian Isthmus (on the Finnish-Soviet border) the Germans and the Finns begin attacks on Soviet positions. Farther north, the Germans and the Finns launch Operation Silver Fox, aimed at capturing the Soviet Arctic port of Murmansk.

The German 6th Army, part of Field Marshal Gerd von Rundstedt's Army Group South, takes Lwów, Poland, on June 30 while, farther east, another of von Rundstedt's units, the 5th Army, moves towards Kiev. Vichy France severs diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union.

On July 1, British mechanized cavalry and an Arab Legion desert patrol from Transjordan combine to break up a Vichy French mobile column near the city of Palmyra, in Syria. They capture four officers and 60 soldiers, prompting the Vichy garrison in Palmyra to surrender. In the U.S., registration for the draft becomes mandatory for all male citizens over the age of 21. Having received approval from the Federal Communications Commission, the National Broadcasting Company begins commercial television broadcasting over station WNBT (channel 1) in New York. The first commercial — a 10-second pitch for Bulova watches (which costs the company \$9 to air) — occurs at 2:29 p.m., before a Brooklyn Dodgers-Philadelphia Phillies baseball game. Later in the day, the Columbia Broadcasting System begins its first TV broadcasts, over station WCBW (channel 2) in New York. In the Middle East, British Gen. Claude Auchinleck is named Commander-in-Chief, Middle East, replacing Gen. Archibald Wavell. Wavell, whom Churchill blames for the failure of Operation Battleaxe to relieve Tobruk, takes over Auchinleck's position as Commander-in-Chief, Indian Army.

In Tokyo, on July 2, the government decides that attempts should be made to establish bases in Indochina, even at the risk of war. One million men are called for military service. In Poland, massacres by German SS Einsatzgruppen ("task forces") begin, as 7,000 Jews are executed in Lwów. In New York, Yankee centerfielder Joe DiMaggio homers against the Boston Red Sox, extending his consecutive-game hitting streak to 45, a major league record.

The Battle of Bialystok-Minsk ends on July 3 in a German victory: 290,000 Red Army soldiers surrender and 2,500 tanks are captured. The Soviets suffer another 50,000 killed and 71,700 wounded. In a radio broadcast, Joseph Stalin calls for a "scorched-earth" policy of resistance and guerrilla warfare against the invaders. In southern Ethiopia, Italian resistance ends with the surrender of 7,000 troops by Gen. Pietro Gazzera to a force from the Belgian Congo

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Frog Hollow Annual 5K Run & Health Walk Postponed

Press Release 6/3/16

SOUTH AMBOY - Due to unfortunate circumstances the Frog Hollow 5K Run & Health Walk has been rescheduled to Sunday, September 11, 2016. The Frog Hollow Swim and Tennis Club is located on Ferris St. off of South Pine Ave. in South Amboy, NJ. For additional information call race director, Danny McCrone at 732-721-6592 or go to www.froghollowswim.com

Food Stamps Assistance

PERTH AMBOY - Every Wednesday there will be a Food Stamps Assistance Program 10 a.m.- 5 p.m.: JRF's Family Success Center families to come in and meet with a representative from the Community Food Bank of NJ to assist with food stamps application and eligibility guidelines. For additional information please call 732-638-5063 or visit our office located at: 149 Kearny Ave. Perth Amboy (Rear of Proprietary House).

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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, June 11th and 25th, July 9th and 23rd. We will be there from 1:00 p.m.- 3:00 p.m. (weather permitting). For more info, e-mail us at friendsofperthamboylibrary@gmail.com

A.C. Bus Trip San Salvador Seniors

PERTH AMBOY - The San Salvador Seniors are sponsoring a bus trip to Caesar's Casino in AC on Thursday, July 7th. 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.

AC Bus Trip Hungarian Reformed Church

PERTH AMBOY - Atlantic City Bus Trip to Resorts Casino on Sunday, August 7, 2016 Sponsored by the Fellowship Circle of the Hungarian Reformed Church, 331 Kirkland Place Perth Amboy. Bus leaves the church at 12:00 noon for a 6 hour stay at the Casino from when we arrive in AC. Cost: \$27 per person. You will receive \$25 in slot play. Bagged lunch provided To reserve a seat call: 732-261-8726. Payment due ASAP.

Pet of the Week



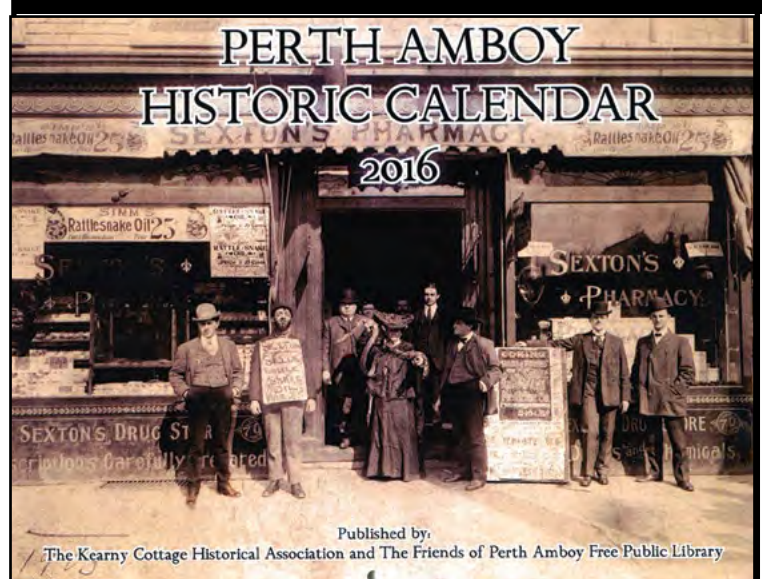
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Novena to St. Rita

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 St. Jude

To be said when problems arise or when one seems to be deprived of all visible help, or for cases almost despaired of.

Most holy Apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the name of the traitor who delivered our beloved Father into the hands of His enemies has caused you to be forgotten by many, but the Church honors and invokes you universally, as the patron and invokes you universally, as the patron of hopeless cases, of things almost despaired of. Pray for me, I am so helpless and alone. Make use I implore you, of that particular privilege given to you, to bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolation and help of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations and sufferings, particularly *(Here make your request)* and that I may praise God with you and all the elect forever. I promise, O blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor, to always honor you as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to you. Amen.

Thank you, Saint Jude, L.D.

Senior Scene Happenings

Perth Amboy

- WED. Jun. 29 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.
- THURS. Jun. 30 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
- TUES. Jul. 5 Holy Spirit Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Church Hall, Brace Ave.
 - Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.
- WED. Jul. 6 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.
- THURS. Jul. 7 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
- MON. Jul. 11 St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.

South Amboy

- WED. Jul. 6 St. Mary's Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.
- MON. Jul. 11 South Amboy Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.
- MON. Jul. 25 Sacred Heart Seniors, 12 Noon Memorial Hall, Wash Ave.

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Mets Trip

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Berry Festival

PERTH AMBOY - Berry Festival at the Kearny Cottage, Sunday, July 17th. Flea Market - \$10 per space (Bring Your Own Table). Civil War Re-enactors, Black Powder Demonstration. Berry Refreshments Available. Rain Date July 24th For more info call 732-293-1090.

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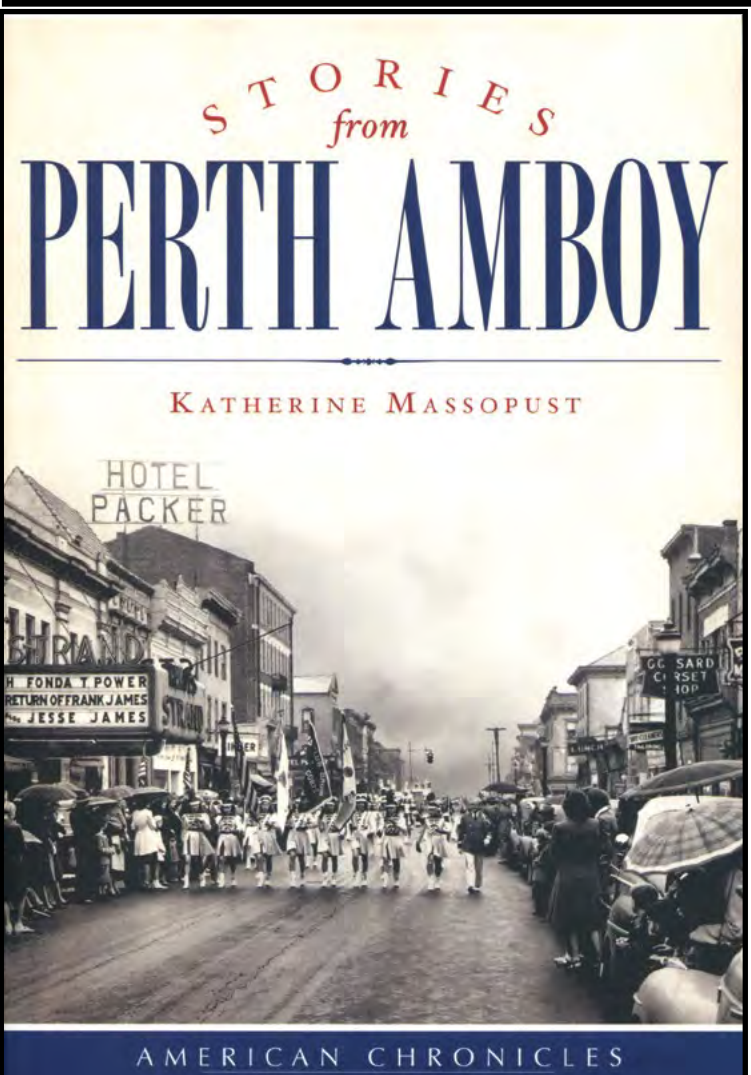
LOOKING BACK



PERTH AMBOY - Soapbox race winner. Circa 1950's

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A 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.*

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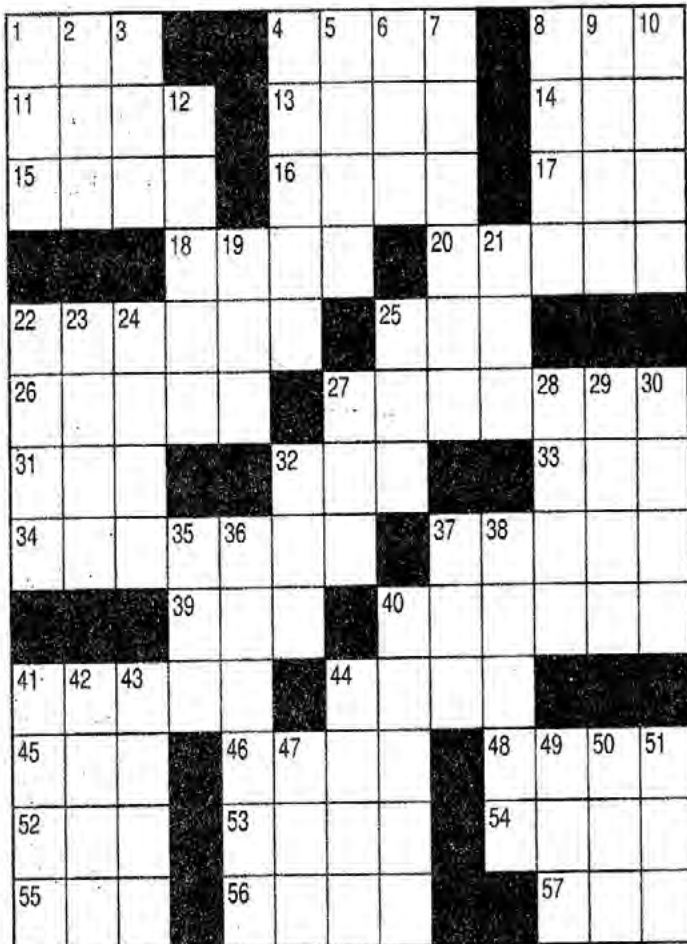
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- 1 Ike's monogram
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- 8 Sci. room
- 11 Currency unit in France
- 13 "Famous" cookie maker
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- 31 Natalie Cole's father
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- 33 Pig's digs
- 34 Prepared for prayer
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- 39 Opposite of pos.
- 40 Police warnings
- 41 Chinese bells
- 44 Serve
- 45 Abel's mother
- 46 Comparative word
- 48 Native minerals

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- 2 Twosome
- 3 Poetic "before"
- 4 Angels' circlets
- 5 Hymnal word
- 6 Smoldering
- 7 Analyzes minerals
- 8 Company's identifying symbol

- 9 Greek war god locale (abbr.)
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- 28 Capri, e.g.
- 29 Flabbergast
- 30 Tornado middles
- 32 Actress Foster
- 35 Liverpool's
- 36 ___ Flatt of country music
- 37 Wine, in Parea
- 38 Passion
- 40 Smell or taste
- 41 Actor Richard of "Sommersby"
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