

Another Special Meeting Held

Perth Amboy Board of Education Invokes Doctrine of Necessity Again



Board of Ed VP Ken Puccio



Board of Ed Member Dianne Roman



Board of Ed Member Mark Carvajal



Board of Ed Member Kurt Rebovich

By: Joseph L. Kuchie

PERTH AMBOY - For the third time this year, the Perth Amboy Board of Education invoked the doctrine of necessity during last Friday's special meeting at Perth Amboy High School.

The doctrine of necessity is a resolution used to allow conflicted board members to vote on certain topics that they would otherwise not be allowed to discussed. In this case, the doctrine would be used to allow board members to vote on the future employment of Superintendent Janine Caffrey.

Four members of the board were missing from the meet-

6/22/12 **Board** Members Above and Left Who Were Not Present at Latest Meeting in Reference to matter concerning Dr. Janine Walker Caffrey (right)

ing, including, Vice President Kenneth Puccio and board members Mark Carvajal, Kurt Rebovich, and Dianne Roman. Also missing were Superintendent Caffrey, Assistant Superintendent Vivian Rodriguez and Board Secretary Derek Jess. Rather than go into private session, President Samuel Lebreault read the resolution and the remaining board members unanimously passed it.

There were a good amount of parents and teachers in the audience for the meeting, but none of them decided to walk to the podium and address the six board members in attendance. It was one of the shorter meetings the board has held since the allegations against



Dr. Janine Walker Caffrey

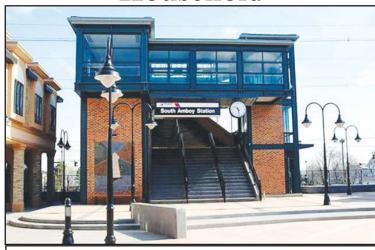
Dr. Caffrey began.

The first two attempts to invoke the doctrine of necessity did not result in any major decision or change. The first was approved and the board voted to place Caffrey on leave, but Education Commissioner Christopher Cerf reversed the decision. The second was also approved but a vote never took place and Caffrey remained Superintendent.

It is unclear what the future will hold for Caffrey and the rest of the Board following another attempt to invoke the doctrine. There will be another Board meeting later this week in which all board members are expected to attend.

South Amboy

South Amboy Announces \$168 Tax Increase per Household



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SOUTH AMBOY - The South Amboy council held their annual public hearing for the 2012 budget last Wednesday, announcing an increase of \$168 per household in taxes for the fiscal year.

City auditor Gary Higgins broke down the changes in this year's budget, explaining that the large amount of tax appeals combined with the lack of revenue coming into the city was the reason for the increase. However, Higgins did believe that the increase could have been worse.

"The two percent levy cap that the state permits could have added \$560,000, but the council did not do that," Higgins said. "We are actually \$360,000 beneath what the two percent levy cap would permit. Under state law, this budget could have gone up ten percent from last year, but it didn't."

Higgins explained that South Amboy lost \$22 million because of tax appeals over the past year, which led to a \$61 increase per household. The city also had a decrease of \$194,000 in revenues, equaling a \$61 increase per household, and increase in appropriations of \$157,000, equaling a \$46 increase per household.

George Flugrad of Augusta Street was disappointed with the effort being made by the council, criticizing the lack of businesses bringing revenue into the area and comparing South Amboy to more successful cities like Flemington. He believed that the city was going in the wrong direction with business and changes had to be made.

"Where is the incentive for me to open a business in South Amboy? In Flemington they open up a new business everyday on Main Street, and it's only getting better," Flugrad said. "We have a beautiful downtown and train station, but I don't think we are providing the economic pace for businesses to come here. We are living in the Corzine days, and we have to move forward."

Resident Vince Mackiel was also disappointed with the tax increases and wondered why certain departments were getting more money then others. Mackiel believed that the police and fire department were getting too much money, while other departments struggled to

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South Amboy

Continued From Page 1 get by with what they had.

"How are we going to continue to keep the budget for police at three million dollars?

They are picking up small bicycles and new vehicles that could be cut for savings," Mackiel said. "While that budget is three millions, streets and buildings is at \$400,000. We can't even reach an agreement on cutting the grass in town."

Mackiel was referring to the Lawn Maintenance Program that rejected bids for a second time earlier this month due to disqualifications. However, the council did announce after the budget hearing that The Lawn Barber has been selected as the Lawn Maintenance company with the lowest bid of \$21,000.

Mayor Henry understood the frustration among the residents of South Amboy during the meeting, and acknowledged that nobody should be

happy about the tax increase. He reminded the audience that the council was doing all they can to lower taxes and that they were exploring all options.

"We have mandates from the state and contract obligations that take up the bulk of the tax increase," Henry said. "We lost roughly \$22 million in tax appeals that hurt our city revenue, but we will continue to look for revenues in the future and reach a solution."

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Civil War Roundtable

The summer meetings for the Robert E. Lee Civil War Roundtable of Central New Jersey will be Wednesday, July 25 and Wednesday, August 15 Meetings start at 7 p.m. and are held at the Woodbridge Public Library, George Frederick Plaza, Woodbridge.

Speaking at the July meeting will be David Koch and his topic will be "Lincoln and the Gettysburg Address." Gail Stephens will speak about "Lew Wallace at Shiloh" at the August meeting. There is never a charge and all are welcome to attend.

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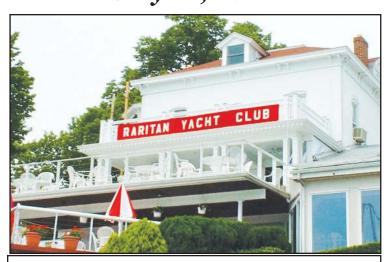




LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

EDITORIAL

Time for Our One Week Break! Don't panic, we'll be back July 11, 2012



Raritan Yacht Club

*photo by Paul W. Wang

The Amboy Guardian publishes 50 weeks out of the year and we take one week off around the July 4th holiday and the week between Christmas and New Years. We always make notations on various pages to let people know a week ahead of time that the paper will not come out, but we always get phone calls: "What happened to the Amboy Guardian - I didn't see it come out this week!"

Carolyn: Hopefully by writing this editorial there will be a reminder not to look for us for the week of July 4. Although we let people know a week in advance that the paper will not be published that week I always get calls from people asking what happened to the paper that week. The paper will not be published next week but we will be working on some items because of the Independence activities going on. My team hopes to get at least get three consecutive days off that week (keeping our fingers crossed!) My vacation will be consisting of not having to set my alarm clock at 6 a.m. on Tuesday (July 3, 2012) to be ready to receive a phone call from the printer newspaper delivery driver to pick up the papers to be distributed. The one thing that I do know is on July 3, 2012

around 9 p.m. I will be joining the expected huge crowd who will be enjoying the fireworks display put on by the Amboy's. I hope to have a traditional Independence Day Dinner which to me would be hot dogs, hamburgers, barbecued chicken, ribs, potato salad and to top that off ice cream. I will also be reminiscing about watching the past fireworks with my family. Make sure to remember those who fought so we could enjoy this day. On July 4th, I will be at the Perth Amboy City Hall Circle for the reading of the Declaration of Independence and the ringing of the bell.

Katherine: I hope to relax for a few days, I for one am happy to have a few days off. It gives me time to catch up on all the little things that need to be done. I am looking forward to the fireworks which is long overdue to return to Perth Amboy. Kudos to everyone involved in bringing them back. Paul: I hope to get to correct my problems on my computer. I am going to take photos for the Guardian on July 3rd. I for one enjoy watching horror movies on my day off.





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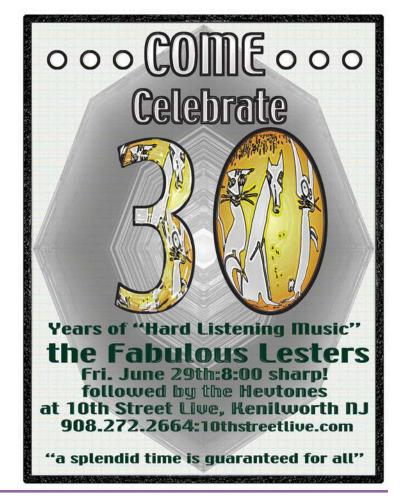
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Fun Facts About Perth Amboy

- 1. The first African-American to vote under the 15th Amendment was Perth Amboy resident Thomas Mundy Peterson who cast his historic vote on March 31, 1870 in a local election on whether or not to revise or give up the city charter.
- 2. Aaron Burr supposedly came to Perth Amboy after his duel with Alexander Hamilton. He staved at the Truxtun house on July 22, 1804 and had coffee on his way to Cranbury and Philadelphia.
- 3. On July 2, 1844 Perth Amboy born resident Commodore Lawrence Kearny laid the foundation for the open door trade policy with China.
- 4. On June 1, 1863 Dr. Solomon Andrews flew his dirigible, the Aereon over Perth Amboy. He was able to steer his airship using aerodynamics and without a motor.
- 5. The famous utopian community The Raritan Bay Union and its famous school Eagleswood was located in Perth Amboy from 1853 - 1868.

Camp Olympic Day at the South Amboy Y!

SOUTH AMBOY - Campers from the South Amboy Y's Summer Day Camp are getting into the Olympic spirit! Children attending Camp S.A.Y. will be participating in an Olympic Day on Friday, June 29 from 9-12pm. Campers will be broken into groups and compete in events like tug of war, relay races, water balloon toss, and sponge bucket relays. Former Judo Olympian Taraje Williams-Murray will be here to share his Olympic story with the children. We will have opening and closing ceremonies for the games, and all children will receive a 2012 Camp Olympics ribbon!



Book Sale

SOUTH AMBOY - Need a book for the beach! Don't worry, The Dowdell Library of South Amboy is currently holding a Spring Book Sale. We have Fiction/Non-Fiction Books. Bestsellers, Paperbacks, Periodicals DVDs/Audio cds. We are also selling HP Printers, Emerson Stereo w/speakers, Brother Fax machine, and much more! We are located at 100 Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy (adjacent to high/middle school). For more info call 732-721-6060.



PERTH AMBOY - The Jewish Renaissance Foundation presented a check to the victims of the Cortlandt Street Fire. (L to R) Natasha Waldon (CAAP Director), Carlos Martins (Provident Bank Branch Manager) and Alexandra Mansonet-Cross (MFW Chief Executive Officer)

*Photo Courtesy of Paul W. Wang

Cooling Centers In Perth Amboy
PERTH AMBOY - The Office of Emergency Management has designated Cooling Centers for the public in three Perth Amboy facilities due to high temperatures.

- 1. Alexander F. Jankowski Community Center located on 1 Olive Street; open M-F until 5 p.m.
- 2. Perth Amboy Public Library located on 196 Jefferson Street; open until 5 p.m.
- 3. Raritan Bay Area YMCA gymnasium located on 357 New Brunswick Avenue; open M-F 5:30 a.m. - 9:45 p.m.



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Annual Classic Car Show & Flea Market

SOUTH AMBOY - The Independence Fire House will be having their annual classic car show on Sunday, August 5 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. along Broadway. Cars, Vendors and Great Food! Free Admission. For more info call (732) 525 -8378

Volunteer **Firefighters** Needed

PERTH AMBOY - The Perth Amboy Fire Department: Volunteer Division needs mem-Accepting men and women ages 18 years or older. Volunteers must be a Perth Amboy resident. For more information please contact 732-442-3430.

Kearny Cottage Open

the historic home of Commodore Lawrence Kearny. The Cottage is located at 63 Catalpa Ave, Perth Amboy, and is open on Mondays and Thursdays from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. and the last Sunday of the month from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. The Kearny Cottage needs your help. Anyone interested in joining the Kearny Cottage Historical Society please contact 732-293-1090. We are on the web! www.KearnyCottage.org

Plays in The Park

EDISON - My Fair Lady -Wednesday, Jun 20 through Saturday, June 30 - 8:30 p.m. Adults - \$7.00, Senior Citizens - \$5.00, Children 12 and Under Free. Shows play every night of the week at 8:30, except for Sundays. Plays-in-the-Park is located 1 block south of the Menlo Park Mall off of Route 1, in Edison, N.J. The turn off is called Grandview Avenue. At the top of the short hill make your first right on to Pine Drive and the Park Rangers will guide you to a parking spot. Fax:732-548-1484 • Phone: 732-548-2884. Please bring a non-perishable food item to benefit less fortunate residents through M.C.C.F.O.O.D.S. This program is funded in part by the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the Middlesex County Cultural and Heritage Commission with assistance thru a grant provided by New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Dept of State.

Community Calendar

Perth Amboy

TODAY. June 27 Municipal Court, 1:30 p.m.,

Court House, New Brunswick Ave.

City Council, Regular, 7 p.m. City Hall, High Street

THURS. June 28 Municipal Court, 6 p.m.,

Court House, New Brunswick Ave.

Board of Education, 6 p.m.

Perth Amboy High School, Eagle Ave.

Historic Prservation Commission, 7 p.m.

City Hall, High Street

City Council, Caucus, 4:30 p.m. City Hall, High Street

Municipal Court, 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.,

Court House, New Brunswick Ave.

City Council, Regular, 7 p.m.

City Hall, High Street

South Amboy

MON July 9

TUES. July 10

WED July 11

MON July 16 City Council, Business, 6 p.m.

City Hall, N. Broadway

WED July 18 City Council, Regular, 7 p.m.

City Hall, N. Broadway

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Just Us Cruisers

SAYREVILLE/SOUTH AM-BOY - Come join us at Cruisin The Peterpank Diner With The Just Us Cruisers Car Club, DJ Richie, The Flash & Crew from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. starting Jun 01 (Clubs & Organizations) every Friday night until Sept. 21.In The Parking Lot Of The Peterpank Diner at 967 Route 9 North In Sayreville/South Amboy . This year we will make Donations To, The Camp Dill Foundation, Sayreville Brain Injured Children. We Welcome Everyone At Our Cruise Nights Classic Cars, Customs, Trucks & Custom Motorcycles, If You Drive It. You Can Bring It. For Info Call: Richie @ 732-525-0412. For Info The Night Of The Show Call The Diner @ 732-721-2850 Live DJ Music From The 50's,60's,70's,80's, Kids Games, Trophies Every Night & It's FREE Door Prizes, 50/50 ,Food, and More. Come And Enjoy A Great Night Of Fun...We Are A Member Of The Central NJ Car Club Association.Com.

Kielbasa

Sandwich Sale

PERTH AMBOY - Celebrate the 4th of July with the Holy Trinity Holy Name....A Kielbasa (Kolbas) Sandwich sale with homemade sauerkraut is being held at Holy Trinity Church on the corner of Lawrie and Johnstone Streets in Perth Amboy on Saturday, July 7 at 6 p.m. in the Church Hall. Tickets are \$8. All tickets are sold at the door. Included with the sandwich is coffee/soda and dessert. For more info call 732-721-5914.

Raritan Bay Cruisers

WOODBRIDGE - Raritan Bay Cruisers Cruise Nights Are Back For 2012. 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. starting Jun 12 (General) The Raritan Bay Cruisers At The Pizza Hut 320 Route 9 North In Woodbridge, NJ 07095 EVERY Tuesday Night Starting May 8, 2012 to Sept 25, From 6-9 p.m. Rock & Roll Music, Trophies, Kids Games, And Just Family . For Any Info On This Cruise Night FOR ANY Info about this Cruise Night CALL Danny 1-732-921-0113 or Sonny @ 732-585-7365. We Are A Member Of The Central NJ Car Club Assoc.Com (CNJC-CA.COM)

Sisters Under Sail * photos by Carolyn Maxwell



The tall ship Unicorn



The T-Shirt says it all! We wish them a safe journey



Back Row (L to R): Dawn Santamaria of *The Unicorn*, Nicole DeJesus, Faith Stephenson, Mayor Wilda Diaz, Victoria Zayes, Yasmira Morales, (kneeling) Ylina Torres, Veronica Matey - the young women who will be going on an adventure of a lifetime!



The sleeping quarters are quite tight!

Sisters Under Sail Program for Leadership Development Unicorn Tall Ship Visits Perth Amboy

News Release

PERTH AMBOY— Mayor Wilda Diaz is pleased to announce the visit of the Unicorn Tall Ship to Perth Amboy, a training vessel that sponsors a leadership development program, "Sister's Under Sail." Six Perth Amboy teenage girls have been selected and sponsored to the educational program on the ship for a weeklong voyage will travel Long Island to New London, Con-

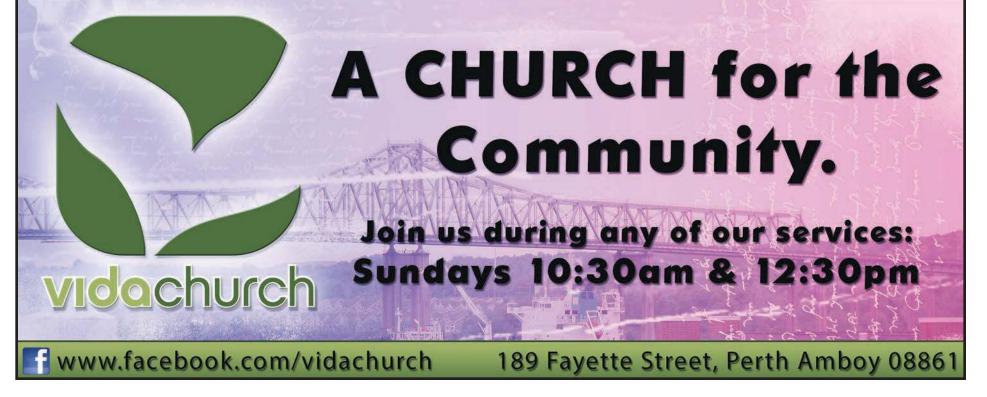
necticut.

The Unicorn docked at the Perth Amboy Harborside Marina and was open to the public for tours on Saturday, June 23 and Sunday, June 24 from 12 noon- 4 p.m. The ship departed on Monday, June 25th.

"The Sisters Under Sail program teaches life skills and invests in our children growth to become successful responsible adults. Thanks to our partnership and sponsors, this opportunity was made possible for six Perth Amboy students," said Mayor Wilda Diaz.

For additional information about the City of Perth Amboy, or the Unicorn, please visit: www.ci.perthamboy. nj.us; http://www.tallshipunicorn.com/. For a full story on the Sisters Under Sail program visit: http://www.amboyguardian.com/2012/06/15/sisters-under-sail-june-22-25/

We are on the web! www.amboyguardian.com



PerthAmboy High School Class of 2012 Graduation - Water's Stadium - June 21, 2012 *photos by Carolyn Maxwell



Two graduates show off their decorative skills on their caps



Remembering the Good Times



Congratulations!



A proud moment!



Leaving the High School for the last time



Principal Dr. Nestor Collazo Speaks



Mayor Diaz addresses the gradutates



Congratulations to all of our graduates!



Board of Ed President Sam Lebreault, Superintendent Dr. Janine Walker Caffrey and Board Members hand out diplomas



Proud family and friends were there to support the graduates

Renegades Cheerleading Squad Recognized by City Council for Participation in Pink Ribbon Run and Charitable **Community Contributions** *photos by Carolyn Maxwell



The Renegades were recognized by the City Council



The Renegades smile for their photo

Open Mic PERTH AMBOY - There will

be an Poetry and Music Open Mic Night every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Perth Amboy Gallery for the Arts, 339 Reade St., Perth Amboy. Come show off your talent. For more information contact 732-826-1690 ext. 4325.

Record Collection

PARILIN - The Friends of the Sayreville Public Library will continue its program of record donations. The records must be either 45's or 33 1/3. We do not accept 78's. Please contact Teri at 732-727-7639 for further information or if you have large record donations.

PAHS All Alumni Picnic

PERTH AMBOY - The 3rd annual PAHS Alumni Picnic, Sponsored by class of 75' and 76' on Saturday, August 11 @ Warren Park, Woodbridge from 12 noon until 6 p.m. Tickets are \$20. Contact the following for tickets. Randi Fleischman - rfleischman@ remn.com, Candy Pyzik - cppookie@yahoo.com, Donna Pryga,- Dpryga65@comcast.

Community Flea Market

PERTH AMBOY - On Saturday, June 30th, between 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. "We Care" Perth Amboy Coalition of Food Pantries is hosting its first Flea Market. We invite our community to come and enjoy great prices on clothing, housing items, decorations, electronics, food, music and much more. All proceeds will help support the fight against hunger. If you are interested in getting a table to sell your products contact Damaris @ 732-826-8206. Location: 205 Smith Street, Perth Amboy (Parking lot in front of the train station)

The 35th Annual Frog Hollow 5K Run & Health Walk

SOUTH AMBOY - "The Run Through the Streets of South Amboy Hills & Flats" The event will be timed and there will be 2 water stations. The run will be held on Saturday, June 30. Rain or Shine! \$20 Advanced Registration, \$25 at the Gates. For more info call Dan at 732-721-6592 or go to www.froghollowswim.com. All proceeds will be given to the South Amboy First Aid Squad and South Amboy Fire Department evenly.

The Fisherman's Corner

by Eddy Gonzalez

PERTH AMBOY - With high temperatures this week in the 90's many anglers opted to stay indoors planning the next trip next to the ac. While other anglers decided to go for the glory under the brutal sun and catch some fish, the Kill was killing this week. Party boats from all over were drifting up and down with one reporting a 75 fish catch in a few hours not far from the outer-bridge. As the angle slowed down a bit on the action but still producing some nice fish while others went exploring with mixed results. Frozen jumbo, frozen spearing and gulp on a teaser rig has been the top choice to land the fluke, squid and killie combo real doing well.

The 1st pier has been producing some nice catches. Former police captain and old salt Joe caught some beautiful fluke this week on gulp.

With rising water temps striped bass have been tougher to catch the night crew and the early birds been catching the bass in deeper water on bunker heads. Most anglers have switched to fluking. The pier and surf guys are going for cocktail blues using bunker chunks peanut bunker, metal jigs and plugs are always a blues favorite.

Pier Repair Update

Insider information says that the right side of the pier towards the front has heavy corrosion and will need to be completely replaced. What will most likely happen is the pier will be shortened from a T



shape to an L and a uncertain date of reopening. Dredging is soon to take place to install a bulkhead in front of the Armory Tikki Bar Side to battle against flooding from any storm induced high tides or waves. For more updates check americanpridebt@gmail.com

Keep Your Bait Cool. In these hot days to come bait would it be fresh or frozen can go bad real fast. I suggest invest in a cooler. Buy some kosher salt and ice make a slushy brine. The salt makes the temperature go below freeing without freezing keeping whatever you put on there really cold keeping your bait in the best shape possible. Plain ice won't cut it - it will make your bunker soggy!

Guest Question:

I had a guest ask me how to keep my killies alive for a few days. Ok, that's an easy one. First, you have to understand killies are a hardy fish even out of water. The trick is to keep them cool. Their body retains the moisture to keep them going. First get a cooler. Lay a wet towel on the bottom. Add killies. Don't overcrowd. One layer will be fine. Get a screen or wire mesh. Lay on top of cooler and add ice. As the ice melts it will keep them cool and moist. Leave the drain open. Believe it or not noncirculating water will drown them. There are many ways but this is the less costly. Putting them in the fridge works to but it won't fly with the wife

Special Guest Recipe by Nicole Gonzalez (wife)

Fluke On The Skillet

One 1- to 1 ½ pound whole fluke or flounder

3/4 cup all purpose flour
Kosher or sea salt
Freshly ground black pepper

1/4 cup vegetable oil
4 tablespoons unsalted butter
1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
1 tablespoon capers, rinsed
1 tablespoon chopped fresh
Italian parsley

- 1. If necessary, skin the fish: Start by cutting off the head. Then make a little V-cut at the tail in order to loosen the skin enough to get a firm grip on it. peel the skin back far enough to get your thumb under the loose skin. To prevent slipping, hold a towel in your hand as you grip the skin. In one strong, swift motion, pull the skin away from the tail—it should come off in one piece. Flip the fish over and remove the skin from the other side. Then trim the small bones away from the sides of the fish, and remove the roe sac (if any) and any viscera from the cavity. If necessary, cut off the tail of the fish so that it will fit into your pan. Rinse and dry the fish. Keep refrigerated until you are ready to cook.
- 2. Adjust a rack to the lower third of the oven and preheat the oven to 400°F.
- 3. Place a 12-inch well-seasoned skillet over high heat

and heat for 5 minutes. Meanwhile, spread the flour in a large shallow bowl or a baking dish. Sprinkle the fish generously with salt and pepper and dredge it in the flour, turning it well to coat; shake gently to remove the excess.

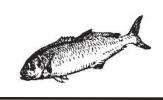
- 4. Add the oil to the hot skillet. Lower the fish into the skillet and reduce the heat to medium-high (at this point, you should start cooking the butter; see step 5). Brown the fish on one side without turning, about 4 minutes. Turn the fish and immediately place the skillet in the oven. Roast until the fish is pure white and firm to the touch, about 8 minutes. Transfer the fish to a platter and keep warm.
- 5. Meanwhile, as soon as the fish goes into the pan, place the butter in an 8-inch skillet and melt it over medium-low heat. Reduce the heat to low and cook the butter gently until it browns—keep an eye on it, but let it cook undisturbed until it is nutty brown. This will take about 8 minutes (about the same time it takes to cook the fish). When the butter is nutty brown, remove the skillet from the heat and immediately add the lemon juice, capers, parsley and a pinch of salt. pour the still-foaming butter into a sauceboat or serving bowl and spoon just a bit over the fish.
- 6. Present the fish at the table and allow a minute for your guest to admire it. To fillet the fish, hold an ordinary table-spoon upside down the center of the fish, near the head, and loosen the top fillet, push-

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Catch Of The Week!
KC Cabonilas caught this beautiful fluke 6/21/12 at the ac buoy with a combo of gulp and squid 24" 5lbs Great job!

ing out from the center of the fish. The bones on a flounder are very strong and won't pull away with the meat. You should have no problem removing the two fillets on the top side. Transfer them to a dinner plate. Flip the fish over and repeat with the two remaining fillets. Spoon the brown butter over the fish and enjoy this special treat, noticing how much more flavorful fish is when cooked on the bone.



31st Annual Festival/Carnival of La Asuncion Parish

News Release

PERTH AMBOY - La Asuncion Parish invites all to join in the fun and the feast of foods at their 31st Annual Festival on the Church grounds, 777 Cortlandt Street, Perth Amboy. The Festival will be held on Friday, June 29 from 7 p.m. to Midnight and on Saturday June 30, from Noon to Midnight. On Saturday, for four hours, from Noon until 4 p.m., children, with a wrist band, can enjoy all the rides at a reduced rate of \$20. To take advantage of this great bargain, a wrist band must be purchased in advance at the Church office up until 6 p.m. Friday, June 29. The Saturday Noon – 4 pm wrist band may also be purchased at the Carnival on Friday. The Office is located at 697 Cortlandt Street; please call

the office at 732-442-0512.

Music Lovers will be enticed by the sounds of live bands both Friday and Saturday.

Emcee of the event is radio personality Freddy Perez, of Radio 107.5. And there will be no down-time. When the bands rest, the crowd will be entertained by several different DJs. If you are so moved by the music, dancing is welcome. Children will be entertained by a clown and face painting for a fee will be offered.

The smell of foods will beckon and tantalize you, as there will be home-made Puerto Rican, Dominican and Mexican specialties including: roast pork and rice with gandules, chicken and pork shish kebabs (pinchos) as well as the tempting pastelillos, pasteles, bacalaitos, and alcapurria and tacos. And of course, no carnival is complete with-

out the all American hot dogs and hamburgers. For those with a sweet tooth – enjoy funnel cakes, candy apples, cotton candy and ice cream. Sodas, water and the virgin pina colada truck will quench the thirsty visitor.

There will be a Cash Raffle each night and a large cash raffle with four winners that will be drawn the last night. Last year the top prize was over \$6,000. The cost of tickets is \$20 for the large cash raffle.

The Festival will begin with a Mass of Celebration and Thanksgiving offered by Msgr. John Gordon at La Asuncion Church at 6:00 pm. on Friday, June 29. This year, there is a lot to celebrate, reminisce about and look forward to, as it will be the last Festival celebrated as "The La Asuncion Festival." The very next day, July 1, La Asuncion together with Holy Trinity and Our

Lady of Hungary will be legally merged to form the new Parish of Most Holy Name of Jesus. Yet the Parishioners of La Asuncion exuberantly look forward to joining forces with the Parishioners of Holy Trinity and Our Lady of Hungary, to become a more vibrant parish family and enjoy an even bigger and more exciting Festival/Carnival next year. More information on the upcoming merger and ensuing Ceremonies and Celebrations will follow. The merger came as a result of the Metuchen Diocesan Renewal of the Church of Perth Amboy.

For those Catholics who attend the Festival on Saturday, June 30, several Masses, which fulfill the Sunday Mass obligation, are celebrated: 4 p.m. Mass (Spanish) at La Asuncion Church, adjacent to the Festival; and 5 p.m. Mass (English) at Holy Trin-

ity Church, 315 Lawrie Street (a short distance away), and 6 p.m. Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima, 188 Wayne Street (2 blocks away).

The La Asuncion Festival is easily accessible from all major highways and a short distance from the State Street exit of 287/440 heading to Perth Amboy, make the first right. There is no entrance fee.

Information on or Questions about the Event questions may be sent by email to asuncionchurch@aol.com or by phone call Parish Office: 732-442-0512. Sponsorships are still welcome; contact the office at 697 Cortlandt Street, Perth Amboy, NJ - 732-442-0512.

Further Info call Cathy de Armas 732-299-7393

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Music at Saint Mary's Summer Series

SOUTH AMBOY - There will be a concert series at Saint Mary's Church, 256 Augusta St, South Amboy on Sunday, July 15 - 11:05 a.m. - Eugene Ng, piano - Eugene Ng is an exceptionally talented young pianist, now returning to Saint Mary's for his second performance in recital. Come and witness the very future of classical music! Free-will offering.

Flea Market

WOODBRIDGE - There will be an outdoor flea market at the Barron Arts Center on Saturday, July 14 from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Rain or Shine! The Barron Arts Center is located at 582 Rahway Ave. Food sales will also be available that day to support the Woodbridge Township Cultural Art Center and free programming at the art center year round. To reserve a spot call 732-634-0413. Spots are \$15 (if you supply your own table) \$20 (for a supplied table). Payment for spot fees must be received by Saturday, June 22 to guarantee a table or space (while space is available.)

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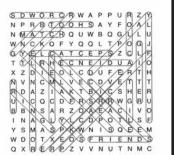
PERTH AMBOY - Catholic Charities Diocese of Metuchen Connections Program is looking for both men and women to participate in one-to-one activities and become a mentor to the youth of Middlesex County and Franklin Township. For more info call Jeanette at 732-738-1323 or email inadonley@ccdom.org.

Latin American **Business**

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PERTH AMBOY - Wednesday, June 27 at 6:30 P.M- Argentine Fordham University Researcher Martin Maure, of Perth Amboy, will discuss his work regarding small/familyowned businesses, franchising and other business laws and practices as they exist in various parts of Latin America. Don't miss this fascinating bilingual lecture. Doors open at 6:00 pm; lecture at 6:30 pm. Free Parking. Raritan Bay Coffee Co., Inside the Perth Amboy Train Station, 233 Smith St.

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Book Sale

PERTH AMBOY - There is an ongoing book sale at the Perth Amboy Free Public Library, 196 Jefferson St., Perth Amboy. Fill a bag for \$5. New books have arrived! Mystery, Classics, Popular Authors! Book Dealers Welcome. For more info call 732-826-2600. There are also books for sale at Raritan Bay Coffee Company (at the Historic Train Station)

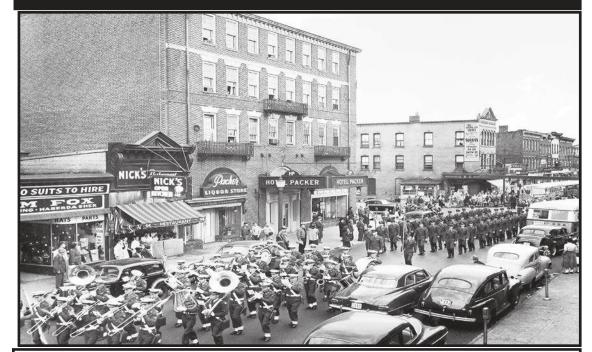
2012 Farmer's Market

WOODBRIDGE - Woodbridge Wednesdays! There will be a Farmer's Market Every Wednesday from June 20 to Sept. 26 from 3 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Rain or Shine! at Parker Press Park, Rahway Ave. Free Parking. Looking for local specialty vendors, crafters and artists to set up tables and booths! Contact Kelly Reidy at the Mayors Office for more 732-634-4500 ext. details. 6494.

Edison **AARP #3446**

EDISON - Edison AARP Chapter #3446 will be having a trip to the Paper Mill Playhouse. Reservations are now being taken for next seasons shows at The Paper Mill Playhouse. For information, call Claire at 732-549-5316. There also will be a trip to Biloxi & New Orleans from September 8-16. For information, call Bob at 732-885-1789. On October 10 there will be - "An Afternoon of Comedy" at The Brownstone. For information, call Mary Ann at 732-287-3659. All trips are open to non members. Our chapter wishes everyone a safe and pleasant summer.

LOOKING BACK



PERTH AMBOY - Circa 1940's Parade for July 4th. Celebrating Independence Day.

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Senior Scene

Happenings

Perth Amboy

TODAY, June 27 Simpson Seniors, 10 a.m.,

Williamson Hall, High St.

Holy Rosary Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Auditorium, Florida Grove Rd.

St. Stephen's Seniors, 1 p.m., Cafeteria, State St.

THURS., June 28 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.

MON., June 25 St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m.,

Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.

TUES., July 3 Holy Spirit Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Church Hall, Brace Ave.

> Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.

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WED. July 11 Simpson Seniors, 10 a.m.,

Williamson Hall, High St. 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 Sts

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Basketball Tournament

WOODBRIDGE - Come register to play for the 3 -on -3 Basketball tournament. Tournament is on Saturday, June 30 from 10 a.m. to TBA. at the Warren Park Basketball Courts Divisions 14-16 yrs old, 17-20 yrs old and 21+ yrs old. Both Men and Women, Girls and Boys can play. Winning Players receive a prize. Tournament style elimination. Complimentary gatorade for players. \$30 per team. Call/ Text Jose at 732-423-8722. Please provide team name, color and player names. Sponsored by the Perth Amboy Democratic Org.

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