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Perth Amboy

Carvajal Seeks Change in Lunch Forms

By: Joseph L. Kuchie

PERTH AMBOY - The confusion brought by the district's reduced lunch forms has caused Perth Amboy board member Mark Carvajal to seek immediate change.

Carvajal questioned the procedure of filling out the district's free or reduced lunch forms at the Board of Education meeting on July 26th. He said that some parents were confused on whether or not they had to fill the forms out regardless of whether or not they were eligible.

Board secretary Derek Jess said parents are not required to fill out the forms, and if they fill out the forms and are not eligible for free or reduced lunch, the food service department will send a letter to their home saying they are not eligible. Carvajal argued that there is no area where parents can check whether or not the form is for record only.

"There should be a form that clearly identifies in writing that you are well aware you are not eligible but you're filling it out for record only," Carvajal said. "There is no option for that on the form. I suggest we put something on there that says it is for record only."

Board member Janelle Rodriguez agreed with Carvajal and suggested that something be added onto the forms. She said that it is not clear whether or not the parents have to fill

the forms out, and adding a separate box or form would help clarify it.

"Perhaps add a separate sheet and instructions that say you are not mandated to fill out the form. If you realize you do not qualify, you do not have to fill it out," Rodriguez said. "There is confusion and if we can not change the form itself, perhaps add a section at the end."

Board secretary Jess explained that the board cannot legally change the forms that are used for free or reduced lunch, but there could be ways to help parents get the right information.

"We are not allowed to change the form or directions, but perhaps we can include language that suggests that the forms are for information purposes only," Jess said. "We can not force them to fill out the form but we can do the best we can to give them the proper information."

Carvajal asked the board to work on the ongoing problems that other members are facing so they can get back to helping the children of the school district. He wanted the board to do their job and get back to what they were supposed to be doing.

"We need to come up with solutions to fix these problems and we have to address these issues. We were elected so we can put a stop to this," Carvajal said. "We have to find solutions so we can get back on



**Board Member
Mark Carvajal**

track and do what we are supposed to do, which is take care of our district and our kids."

Carvajal was also discouraged by the ongoing allegations with the lunch applications and hiring practices. He believed that an investigation must be done so the board can move forward.

"We need an investigation of this board because going to the media will not fix these problems, Carvajal said. "Bring it to the forefront and let people know what truly happened. We need to start working on addressing these issues."

Perth Amboy will offer free reduced / free meal application workshops for parents starting on August 6, 2012 at 9:00 AM. All information can be found on the Perth Amboy Public Schools website at www.paps.net.

Battle Royale

Council President Balut and Former Councilman David Szilagy Lock Horns



The Proprietary House is the center of controversy

**Photo by Katherine Massopust*



**Council President
Kenneth Balut**



David Szilagy

PERTH AMBOY - At the 7/11/12 Council Meeting, Former Councilman David Szilagy had a heated disagreement with Council President Kenneth Balut who is a big proponent of preserving Perth Amboy's history. The Proprietary House also known as the Royal Governor's Mansion is what sparked a discussion that lasted for at least 15 minutes. Szilagy took issue with a reported \$3.2 million dollar grant that the Prop House was earmarked for which would have helped other historic entities in the City. Szilagy presented the Council with documentation stating that the Prop House could not turn down

any grant money that never existed.

"No action can be taken until September, so there can be no refusal of a grant," Szilagy stated. He continued, "Last fall or winter the Prop House thought a \$3.2 million grant would go to the City to disburse. Until the grant came up no one paid attention to the Proprietary House. MoPA wants to get their hands on \$3.2 million. This grant never existed and there is incorrect information being given out. The Prop House Board of Trustees is being viciously attacked. Valuable pieces were left unprotected

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Perth Amboy High School Track to be Resurfaced

By: Joseph L. Kuchie

PERTHAMBOY - The Perth Amboy Board of Education voted to have the track surrounding the Perth Amboy High School football field resurfaced in August.

The project will cost \$187,000 and will be funded

from an insurance claim that the board received from last year's hurricane. The city approved the lowest bid and the material that will be used will keep the track in good condition for at least 10-12 years.

Board secretary Derek Jess said that the field will

be closed for 2-3 weeks in August so the resurfacing can be completed. He insisted that the board agree on a date so it does not interfere with any upcoming events and is done in time for the high school football and soccer teams to begin practicing.

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Prop House

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in the House.”

Council President Balut addressed these accusations by stating that he talked to Thomasine Hammond-Owens and Jeff Huber from the Proprietary House about a support letter to get repairs done to the house. “I have documentation from the previous administration to get the Prop House fixed. \$3 million was earmarked for this by the previous administration but that money was given to the YMCA. Because of personality conflicts no one wants to fix it. The Royal Governor’s Mansion needs to be fixed. I have documents supporting my claims and somebody’s playing games. It is the Royal Governor’s Mansion.”

Szilagyi interjected, “This is an independent and non-profit organization and they could not refuse a grant that did not exist. You owe the association of the Prop House an apology.”

Balut ended the discussion

Celebrating Perth Amboy’s Diversity And History

News Release

PERTH AMBOY— Mayor Wilda Diaz joined the Juan Pablo Duarte Committee in holding a ceremony at the future International Park at Caledonia/Roessler Park on Sadowski Parkway, this past Saturday afternoon [July 28, 2012].

The event which began with a mass and ended with a photo-op of committee members, Mayor Diaz, and members of the Dominican community announced the initial efforts, as the first cultural group to bestow a gift of the bust of Juan Pablo Duarte, representing the Dominican Republic to the City of Perth Amboy and plans for its installment within the next year.

Plans, which were introduced to the governing body nearly 3 years ago, have developed into honoring all walks of life with the establishment of an International Park.

“This will be the future site designated for the International Park, to hold all cultural

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with how this grant came up back in September of 2010. According to Assemblyman John S. Wisniewski there was \$3.9 million sitting in the Historic Trust Fund. Balut also stated, “If I wrote the bill, the building (Proprietary House) would have been fixed already.”

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez said, “This discussion needs to end now!” when he saw no immediate resolution to the conflict.

According to a reliable

source the Proprietary House needs to have the main ballroom remodeled, cracks in the foundation repaired and possible roof repairs.

The Council Meetings are broken down to sessions where you can speak on ordinances, agenda items or non-agenda items.

The public portion of Council Meetings only allows the audience to speak anywhere from 5 to 10 minutes.

Recovery Walks! 2012 - Transportation from Rutgers University, New Brunswick

PHILADELPHIA PA- Recovery Walks! 2012 will be on September 22. At the Great Plaza of Penn’s Landing on the Delaware River waterfront in Philadelphia.

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monuments surrounded by international flags reflecting the diversity of the Perth Amboy community, said Mayor Wilda Diaz.

Mayor Diaz followed by stating, “Eventually the park will be transformed with the plan of it a symbolic location for all of the families of the City of Perth Amboy. This will represent the past and future of Perth Amboy and a tribute to the history of our community. It will stand as a showcase of our diversity, rich history and represent the respect we have for one another as members of this community.”

“A lovely religious service and a symbolic groundbreaking was held to indicate that they are making advances towards their goal of erecting their Duarte Statue as part of the future International Park,” said Kathleen Manning Depow, President of Museums of Perth Amboy (MoPA).

In 2008, an ordinance was established with the honorary naming of Caledonia/Roessler as Juan Pablo Duarte Park.

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PERTH AMBOY — Raritan Bay Medical Center is sponsoring an HIV support group meeting on Monday, Aug 6 at 6 p.m. Anyone diagnosed with or caring for someone infected with HIV is welcome to attend. Meetings are held at the hospital's Perth Amboy Division, New Brunswick Avenue.

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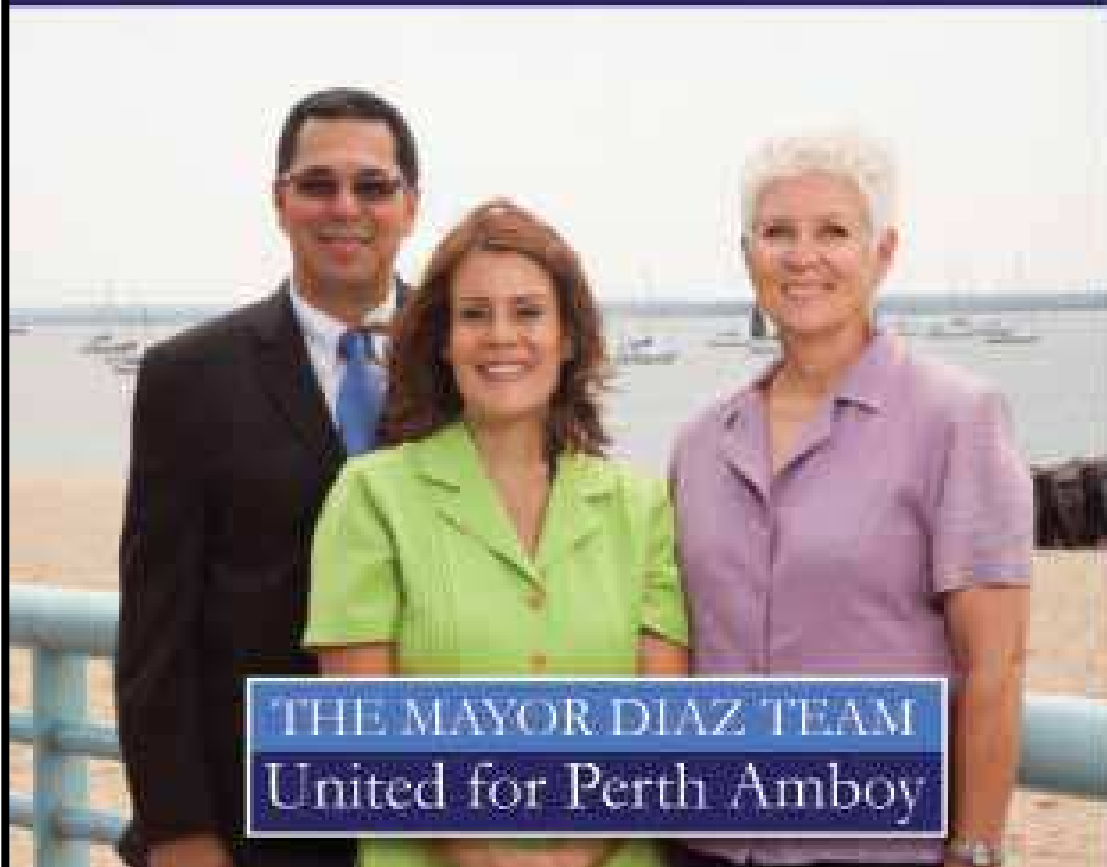
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LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

EDITORIAL

It was a week of many WOW's speaking with youthful visitors to Kearny Cottage and the Library. A family of three children came to the library and wanted to know about Perth Amboy's History and several came to Kearny Cottage's Festival Day event to ask questions and to talk about our history. They were fascinated to learn about Dr. Solomon Andrew's inventions and that he was the Mayor of Perth Amboy and how the British barracks was located where the Board of Education building is now and how it housed British troops that fought at Bunker Hill and Saratoga, and how there was once a roller skating rink at the end of Market Street and how once there was an arena on New Brunswick Ave and Jefferson St. where they had boxing matches and other sporting events, and how at the end of High Street where the park is was the Long Ferry Tavern, and very important land of the city's founders, and how Perth Amboy was a theatrical town where Broadway actors tried out their shows, and how so many artists were attracted to the area because of the Terra Cotta Industry, and how Eagleswood attracted progressive thinkers and that Perth Amboy was an intellectual and artistic center, and that Florida Grove was once not only a road but a resort area at the western end of Smith Street, and how Commodore Kearny helped open trade to China and helped save Hawaii from the British and how he was also Mayor of Perth Amboy. All of this caused WOW's and, it seemed, a thirst to hear more and a desire to come back to the library and to join Kearny Cottage. These youth are the future and they sure loved to hear about Perth Amboy's past and its relevance to United State's history and they left saying they were proud that this is their town and that so many really cool things happened in their city. I think they will carry this history with



PERTH AMBOY - The America on Wheels Roller Rink opened up Christmas Day 1939. It was the largest roller rink in the world at that time - and in Perth Amboy! We would love to bring this back! We think it would bring people into Amboy for good clean fun, family orientated entertainment that will not break your budget. Maybe an roller rink/ice skating rink? Send your comments to us. We would love to have your thoughts on this matter.

**Photo Courtesy of Chester Fried*

them and nurture it and know that this is their history and that they will tell their friends what a great city we live in and will let their imaginations be grounded in that history so as to build a better place and create a fine culture right here in the city where they live and that they love.

As members of the Historic Preservation Commission it gives us great hope that the history of Perth Amboy will not be forgotten. That is why it is important that we have our youth interested in the city in which they live.

We observed how these two young women were inquisitive not only about the Kearny Cottage but about other pictures that were hanging in the Cottage of other historic sites in Perth Amboy. There was another young man visiting the Cottage and they also engaged him in a conversation dealing with the history of Perth Amboy. We know that these two young women are determined not to let the historical significance of Perth Amboy to fade away.

If I were a politician I would pay close attention to our youth, especially when they show great concern for the City of Perth Amboy. They are the ones that will keep Perth

Amboy going in the right direction.

We're going to blow our own horn. There are several books written about Perth Amboy by local authors that have lived here all or most of their lives. Some of the books are: Arcadia's Images of America by Joan Seguine-Levine, Then and Now: Perth Amboy by Paul Wang and Katherine Massopust and now a new book Stories From Perth Amboy from The History Press (coming out August 21, 2012). And don't forget to watch PA-TV and look for John K. Dyke's documentaries about Historic Perth Amboy. You should also check your local bookstores for Arcadia and History Press Books to find out if there have been books published about your specific town. You may be living in a town which you think had nothing to offer in the past or present but often these books will tell about the hidden treasures in your town.

We would love to have the two young women who visited the Cottage to start a Junior Branch of a Historic Society. This is greatly lacking in every Historic organization. Local history is not being addressed in the schools as they should be. They talk about it but don't carry it out and maybe it's time they should.

V.N. (Vilma Novak - guest editorial) & C.M., K.M. & P.W.



THE COMMUNITY VOICE

Discipline Data Questioned: One Student's View

In response to the article published in the Amboy Guardian, Wednesday, July 25th, 2012 Perth Amboy teachers argue discipline data, I Natalia Dunyak, a sixth grader and spending all my years in the Perth Amboy public school system, would like to give you my point of view on the discipline data. I believe the discipline data shows no proof of what really is going on within our schools.

To begin with, school is nothing like what the discipline data shows. This year was the most chaotic year out of all my experience in the William C. McGinnis School. Most of the kids in my class really didn't care about school, therefore they cause trouble for their own amusement. However, since it was so often, it seemed to blend into a daily thing. For this reason, kids like me who cared about their education, lost bits of it because the unruly kids weren't dealt with. That's why the suspension went down because kids aren't dealt with, so they are hardly ever punished.

Furthermore, teachers and staff are affected because of the lack of discipline. There usually was only order when we were being taught by a teacher that would punish them for their bad behavior. As I said in the last paragraph, these kids have horrible behavior, and since it was most of the time, the teachers hardly ever wrote them up or sent them to the office. So they can't even get suspended. Later during the year I was really fed up and frustrated, I spoke to a teacher that I was very close to, she had stated to me in confidence, "Teachers don't write kids up that much any-

more because when they are written up, nothing changes." So basically teachers are fed up as well.

Additionally, we can't be happy with what we have right now. Because all we have right now is a little glitter of hope for a better year. William C. McGinnis School has barely improved. In fact, a teacher had even said to me that this year was the worst year in the sixth grade out if all her years of teaching. Likewise, another student named Penelope said, "It's horrible," about the behavior in our school. We all can't simply celebrate, it would be just like burying our heads in the sand.

Moreover, I simply can't see how school suspensions can drop so rapidly. How can 338 drop to 75 within a year difference? That all just means 263 kids didn't get reported. For instance, some teachers give way too many chances to these kids. Once a teacher threatens to send a kid to the office, the undisciplined child says, "No Mrs.!" And when this happens they are giving the child another chance, or they just send them to the office. Plus also haven't we all realized that some kids see a suspension as no school? After all, they don't care if they miss anything that benefits their education, some might care about missing a talent show, but not school.

In conclusion, the discipline data shows nothing on what's really going on in our public schools. I really wish I could be happy, but I can't. Please all readers out there listen to what I wrote and realize the truth. Also a special thanks to all the teachers that gave me the ability to write this and helped me open my eyes to the truth. An education should never be wasted - it sets you free. Thank you for reading my comments

Proud to be Perth Amboyan,
Natalia Lynn Dunyak, age 12

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EDISON - Grease - Wednesday, Aug 1 through Saturday, Aug 11 to Sundays 8:30 pm (no Sundays) 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. Aug 1	Municipal Court, 1:30 p.m., Court House, New Brunswick Ave.
THURS. Aug 2	Municipal Court, 6 p.m., Court House, New Brunswick Ave.
MON. Aug. 6	City Council Caucus., 4:30 p.m. City Hall, High Street
TUES. Aug 7	Municipal Court, 9 a.m. and 6 p.m., Court House, New Brunswick Ave.
WED. Aug 8	City Council Regular, 7 p.m. City Hall, High Street
South Amboy	
MON. Aug 13	City Council, Business, 6 p.m. City Hall, N. Broadway
WED. Aug 15	City Council, Regular 7 p.m. City Hall, N. Broadway.



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25th P.A.H.S. Reunion Class Of 1987 Celebration!!!!

PERTH AMBOY - The Class of 1987 P.A.H.S. Reunion will be on Aug. 25, 2012. We are in need of a head count and payment ASAP. Please contact any one of the following fellow classmates; Kenny Gonzalez at Kgonzalezathome@aol.com....Lourdes Rodriguez-Soto at traces077@msn.com 732-331-4380, Miguel "Mike" Cruz at samdrew022@yahoo.com 732-672-7270, Santos "Saqui" Rivera at saqui1969@gmail.com 732-910-8980.

We are accepting checks, and cash. The total cost for the reunion is \$75 which includes a one hour cocktail. There will be a cash bar for the remainder of the night. As a last resort if you NEED to pay by credit card there is an additional transactional fee of \$2 per person. You can pay by credit card by sending your credit card info to Kenny Gonzalez at Kgonzalezathome@aol.com. Please send your credit card information ONLY to



There are many classmates on Facebook there are also a handful who do not have access to Facebook..... such as our very own co-chair Lourdes Rodriguez Soto. We are asking that you please reach out to those individuals who are not privy to this information on Facebook and give them our contact info. If you thought our 20th was a blast.....just wait until our 25th! "Let's get together eat, dance, drink, and celebrate"! Looking forward to seeing you ALL there!

Date: August 25, 2012
time: 7:00 p.m. -12:00 a.m.
Location: ZPA lounge 281 Grace St Perth Amboy, NJ 732-442-2660. Price: \$75 (due no later than August 4, 2012) includes 1 hour cocktail hour followed by a cash bar

Knitting Circle

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. For more info call 732-721-6060.



Civil War Living History Weekend

WOODBIDGE - There will be a Civil War Living History Weekend on August 4 and 5 at Parker Press Park, Rahway Avenue (Rte. 514) Just off Main Street Woodbridge. Each day see soldiers drill, weapon's demonstration, battlefield skirmish, military demonstration, period living historians, military camp life, period civilian life, Civil War displays and activities. Visit participating Sutlers selling goods, Period photographer, Civil War library book sale. Chance for camp prize. Book Publishers and Authors. Camps are open to the public on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Special Civil War 150th Anniversary Ceremony starting at 8 p.m. Saturday Evening in the Park. Saturday Evening Candle-Light Tour of the Soldiers' Camps and Civilian Areas - 8:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. Rain or Shine - Free Parking - Free Admission.

National Night Out

PERTH AMBOY— Mayor Wilda Diaz and the Perth Amboy Police Department invite you and your family to attend National Night Out 2012 on Tuesday, August 7th from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Waters Stadium, P.A.H.S., Francis St. & Eagle Ave.

"The Police Department has hosted this event for several years—to promote safety and crime prevention with a partnership between local organizations and government. It's important to share safety information with our families especially with outreach through an enjoyable activities-filled event," said Mayor Wilda Diaz.

Sponsored by the: Perth Amboy Police Department, Perth Amboy Municipal Alliance, Jewish Renaissance Foundation/Perth Amboy Alliance of the Community and Target. There will be food, entertainment, activities, safety information, giveaways and more. The event is free and open to the public.

Classic Car Show to Benefit Deborah Hospital

PERTH AMBOY - The First Annual Classic Car Show to support the Heart and Lung Center at Deborah Hospital is being sponsored by the local Colonia Chapter of the Deborah Hospital Foundation on Sunday, August 26 from Noon to 6 p.m. in the streets at the corner of Washington and High Streets in Perth Amboy, NJ. The admission for all, except children under 7, is \$1. Funds will also be raised from the sale of food. There will be music all afternoon, while you stroll around and admire the cars. The show will close with an award ceremony for several classes of cars.

If any owners of classic cars are interested in registering, you may call 732-442-7923. Advance registration for the cars is \$7 and \$12 on the day of the show. If you are interested in volunteering your time to help this effort, please also call. There is some room for additional vendors, and information will be supplied upon request.

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Call Carolyn
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Do you or someone you know have Old Photographs or Documents?

The Kearny Cottage Historical Society is Looking for Old Photos and Documents of Perth Amboy, South Amboy, Woodbridge, Fords, etc. (Local Area) For an Archiving Project - Your Photos & Documents will be scanned into digital format & returned to you.
For more info please call 732-293-1090

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Directions: NJ Route 35 to Smith Street. East to waterfront. Then right one block to Bayview Park.
In case of rain, concerts will be held at the McGinnis School on State Street between Smith & Market Streets.
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Para información en español, llame a: Ana Mascanik (732-442-9363)
or email us at: friendsofperthamboylibrary@gmail.com

James Bond Festival

SOUTH AMBOY - There will be a James Bond Film Festival at the Dowdell Library of South Amboy 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. Thursday mornings at the movies. Take refuge from hot summer days! June 28 - August 30 10:30 a.m.

Block Party

PERTH AMBOY - The Jewish Renaissance Medical Center is celebrating the national Health Center week on Sunday, August 5 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Hobart St. Perth Amboy. The JRMC will also donate a motorcycle to the police dept in the city of Perth Amboy. There will be a show with the Latin bands, Combo Latino and Bachata Swing. There will be health screenings and a lot of giveaways.

A Puro Bolero

PERTH AMBOY - The Love Your City Committee presents Una Noche A Pure Bolero on Saturday, August 25 at 8 p.m. at Las Palmeras, Madison Avenue, Perth Amboy. There will be a band, DJ, buffet and desert bar. \$40 per person/cash bar. For more info and tickets call 732-293-0707.

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 - cp-pookie@yahoo.com, Donna Pryga,- Dpryga65@comcast.net

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Dear Parents/ Guardians:

On the dates listed below, workshops will be held in the cafeteria of Perth Amboy High School at 300 Eagle Avenue.

The workshops are designed to assist you in completing your Reduced/Free Meal Applications.

The workshops will be conducted from 9AM-2PM. Workshops for the school where your child attends will be held on the following dates:

August 6th, 7th, 9th William C. McKinstry School Robert N. Wilkatz School Anthony V. Garas School Edward W. Maleski School Accelerated High School	August 13th, 14th, 15th Samuel E. Stahl School Edward J. Patten School Dr. Marbert N. Richardson School East Campus/ Annex #7 School	August 20th, 21st, 22nd Perth Amboy High School James J. Flynn School Joseph Cruz School PA JCC School New Schools
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ATTENTION
 IF YOUR CHILD RECEIVES A LETTER SAYING:
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 PLEASE ATTEND ONE MEETING WITH THE LETTER

Please attend the workshop on the date scheduled for the school that your child attends. (Letter available in Spanish.)

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Former YMCA General Director John G. Malinowski Celebrates His 90th Birthday

News Release

SOUTH AMBOY - The YMCA of Metuchen, Edison, Woodbridge & South Amboy wishes John G. Malinowski a happy 90th birthday on Sunday, July 29th. "Mr. Mal" as he is affectionately known by his YMCA family, served as the General Director of the YMCA of Metuchen from 1980 to 1988. Mr. Mal is a long time resident of South Amboy, where he resides with his loving wife of 64 years, Marian. He and Marian are exceptionally proud of their two children, Bruce and Donna, and six grandchildren, Anna, Brian, Christian, Emily, Jenna, and Mary Kate.

Born in New York City, Mr. Mal grew up near in the Theatre District and belonged to the West Side YMCA where he was a member of the Leader's Club and the YMCA Swim Team. For him, the YMCA was a refuge, a place he could go to after school where he could participate in safe, supervised activities. He graduated from McBurney School, a part of the educational system of the YMCA of Greater New York. Other celebrity graduates of McBurney include JD Salinger and

Henry Winkler.

Mr. Mal's first job out of school was at the Medical Film Guild, producing medical teaching films. He was responsible for the photography used to create motion pictures later distributed to colleges and medical schools. Mr. Mal worked there for most of his career, leaving from 1943-46 to serve in the United States Air Force. He was attached to the Eglin Air Force Base in Florida, and was honorably discharged in 1946 as a Sergeant.

In 1970, Mr. Mal joined the Metuchen YMCA as an Extension Director responsible for developing relationships between the local school systems and the Y. A couple years later, he was promoted to Branch Director responsible for the operations of the Metuchen Y. From 1980 until his retirement in 1988, Mr. Mal served as the General Director of the Metuchen Y and set the groundwork for many long-standing relationships between the Y and local businesses and organizations. His advice to the next generation is "leave yourself open to meeting new people and making new friends. You never know

where your relationships will take you in your career."

For many years, Mr. Mal nurtured the promise of young children and instilled the YMCA core values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility through his role as the Swim & Dive Coach at the Metuchen Branch. He also coordinated swim shows by the "Aqua Maniacs", who performed aqua-based comedy acts. However, Mr. Mal is best known around South Amboy for his tenure as the Swim & Dive Coach at Frog Hollow Swim Club.

Mr. Mal recognizes the importance of community involvement. He is a former member of the Rotary Club, and also volunteered for the Edison Sheltered Workshop. Throughout his career at the Metuchen Y, Mr. Mal was instrumental in spearheading the yearly community effort of food baskets and toys for those in the community who found it financially challenging to enjoy a holiday. With the help of many community groups and local businesses, the Y arranged and distributed approximately 100 food baskets and over 300 toys out into the community.



South Amboy Resident and former Director of the Metuchen YMCA John G. Malinowski "Mr. Mal" celebrates his 90th birthday on Sunday, July 29, 2012

Now that he is retired, Mr. Mal enjoys his membership at the South Amboy Branch YMCA, and is excited to watch our recent expansion into his community. Retirement presented a great opportunity for Mr. Mal to continue to dabble in photography. He would often take time from a busy day to capture the many faces that came through the Y doors, and share those photos with the parents and families. He also enjoys working on his model trains and machines. Mini-cannons were one of his favorite works of art, which he graciously shared with many.

Our YMCA, founded in 1921, just celebrated our 90th anniversary. Together, the YMCA directors, staff and members take great pleasure in wishing Mr. Mal a very happy 90th birthday! We wanted to share his story because it is also our YMCA story. The YMCA nurtures potential and gives everyone an opportunity to learn, grow and thrive. Thanks Mr. Mal for being a great example of a YMCA success story whose journey has taken him from the New York West Side Y to the YMCA of Metuchen, Edison, Woodbridge & South Amboy!

Adult Summer Club

SOUTH AMBOY - Join the Sadie Pope Dowdell Library's Annual Adult Summer Club. Choose 3 books, DVD's, Magazines, Audio Books or Music to read, listen or view each week. Just fill out a quick pick ticket each time you check out. Enter for a chance to win a weekly prize! At the end of the summer, participants will be eligible to win a \$25 Gift Certificate to O'ireland Irish & Celtic & Imports Jacqueline's Florist. Sponsored by the Friends of the Dowdell Library. Adults must have a valid library card. Materials must be checked out at the same time. Weekly drawings! Library patrons who enter each week will be eligible to participate in the Grand Prize Drawings. For more info call 732-721-6060 or email comments@dowdell.org

Tot Time & Storytime

SOUTH AMBOY - There will be Tot Time - (Ages 0-2) on Mondays at 11:30 a.m. and Storytime (Ages 3-5) on Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m. and Fridays (Ages 6+) at 3:30 p.m. at the Sadie Pope Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza South Amboy. For more info call 732-721-6060.

Artfest & Street Fair

SOUTH AMBOY - The City of South Amboy Artfest & Street Fair will be on Sunday, Sept. 23 11a.m. until 4 p.m. Rain Date: Sunday Sept. 30. Crafters, artists, food vendors. Free Hands on activities. Free Entertainment on Broadway! Free admission and parking. For vendor info call 732-316-8213.

Accepting Registrations

PERTH AMBOY - Assumption Catholic School is accepting registrations.

Consider a Catholic Education for your child at Assumption Catholic School that next year will celebrate a milestone - 50 years of excellence in education!

Our school has an Open Enrollment Policy accepting applicants at any time. ACS summer office hours are from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday through Thursday. We have openings for the 2012-2013 school year in grades: Pre-K (age 4), K,1,2,3,4,7 & 8. Visit us at www.assumptioncatholic-school.net or call the school at 732-826-8721. Our Principal will give you a tour and answer any questions.

Kearny Cottage Festival Day - July 29, 2012

**photos by Katherine Massopust*



Congressman Frank Pallone visits the Cottage



Flea Market



Grabbing a bite from the Berry Festival



Mike Lawrence



Giving a demonstration from the Corporal's Desk



The Army Surgeon demonstrates Authentic Surgical Instruments from the Civil War

Wayfinding Signage Program Begins in Perth Amboy

**photos by Bob Ned*



Wayfinding Signage Program begins



The first sign is installed at the Perth Amboy YMCA

Renegades perform at Olive Street Senior Center Perth Amboy

**photos by Bob Ned*



The Renegade Cheerleaders at Olive Street Community Center



The Renegade Cheerleaders perform

Vegas Trip

PARLIN - come join us on Oct. 8 to Oct. 12 on an all inclusive trip to Las Vegas. Leaving from Knights of Columbus Council home, Parlin, to Newark Liberty Airport for a 8:55 a.m. non-stop flight to Las Vegas. Transported to Harrah's Hotel Casino for 5 days 4 nights of fun. Coming home we catch 3:15 p.m. non-stop flight home. Transported by coach back to Knights of Columbus Council in Parlin. All for \$766 per person. Interested? Call Ellie at Main Street Travel 732-828-8800 or Bill 732-721-5436.

JRMC

Casino Night

PERTH AMBOY - The Jewish Renaissance Medical Center is hosting a Casino Night on Thursday, August 16 at 6 p.m. at Seabra's Armory. All pricing includes Open Bar and Buffet!!! Admission Price is \$75 & receive \$25 Casino Chips. Early Registration by July 27th - \$70 & receive \$50 Casino Chips. Admission @ Door - \$85 & receive \$20 Casino Chips. Black Jack.... Roulette...Three Card Poker!!! Texas Hold'em Tournament!!! Admission Price. \$125 & receive \$7500 Casino Chips. ***Must register by August 3rd. ***Tournament begins promptly at 6:30pm!! Plenty of chances to win great prizes!!! For further details and/or registration please contact: Jennifer @ 732-376-6611 email jcrutchfield@jrmc.us Jacqueline @ 732-732-956-7971 email jqoules@jrmc.us ***For all those paying by Visa, Master card, AMEX we do ask that you call us directly to register***For Checks: please make payable to: Jewish Renaissance Medical Center, 275 Hobart Street, Perth Amboy, NJ 08861

Movie Time

SOUTH AMBOY - There will be a movie "Dr. Seuss The Lorax" at 5:45 p.m.. on Tuesday, August 28 at the Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. For more info call 732-721-6060.

Pirate School

SOUTH AMBOY - There will be Pirate School on Thursday, August 23 at the Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. For more info on Dragons & Dreams call 732-721-6060.

Civil War Roundtable

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

Gail Stephens will speak about "Lew Wallace at Shiloh" at the August meeting. There is never a charge and all are welcome to attend.

Build-Your Robot

SOUTH AMBOY - Hey Kids ! There will be a Build-Your Robot contest at the Dowdell Library of South Amboy 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. Teams must sign up with a group of 4 people. Give your robot a Name and Identity. The Best Robot will win a prize! You must sign up in groups. Contest runs August 1st to 27th. For more info call 732-721-6060.

Send Your Events to Carolyn at Crlynmxwll@aol.com and to Katherine at KMass514@gmail.com

RBMC 2012 Honorees

PERTH AMBOY - Raritan Bay Medical Center Foundation will announce the names of individuals to be honored at this year's Harbor Lights Ball, the Foundation's Premier Medical Center Fundraising Event; Saturday, September 29, 2012. Foundation and Raritan Bay Medical Center Board Members, Medical Executive Staff, Harbor Lights Ball Committee members and medical center

executive staff. Honorees include: Greg Ficarra, former Perth Amboy public school system's director of health, physical education, nursing & athletics; Vanessa Mendez, director of strategic initiatives, Tropical Cheese; longtime member of RBMC's medical staff and Perth Amboy practitioner Dr. Mark Niemiera and Debbie Tripod, president of Englert, Inc. of Perth Amboy.

Requiem for VFW Sgt. John B. Egan Post 663

They say our ranks are thinning,
I'm not denying it's so,
We fought the battles of life,
And now it's almost time to go.
The proudest time in all our lives,
In defense of our beloved country!
Self was forgotten in great and noble cause,
To serve the land of the Brave and Free!
Many thousands of our comrades lost their lives,
They rest in graves here and on foreign shore.
Widows, orphans and the broken in body and mind,
Still suffer from the awful ravages of war!
Dear Fellow Veterans! Come join us once again,
To comfort the victims and honor the forever young.
To remind the public of the price of our liberties,
As God Bless America is loud and proudly sung!
There Comes the time we must leave this life.
With its pleasures, blessings and mortal strife,
Farewell VFW Sgt. John B. Egan Post of the first World War,
We all die but our country's ideals shall live forever more!

**Peter Book
Post Adjutant**

VFW Donation to Salvation Army

**photo by Paul W. Wang*



PERTH AMBOY - The last official act of kindness for the VFW Post 663 was to give a donation of \$2500 to the Perth Amboy Salvation Army.

The End of an Era

The local VFW Post 663 is finally going out of existence. One of the last acts will be the donation of \$2500 to the Salvation Army at 433 State St. on Tuesday July 24, 2012 at 2 p.m. Commander Stanley Lease, 732-549-5265 will preside. As he did a few weeks ago. This was reported in the

Guardian at that time. Our local post was mustered on March 15, 1921. It was named in honor of Sgt. John B. Egan of Perth Amboy. He was killed in France a month before the Armistice was signed on November 11, 1918.

All Our Love and Best Wishes,

Pete Book



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JRF holds Informational Luncheon at Terrazza Restaurant to Supply Information About Applying for a \$1 Million Grant for a Veteran's Center in Perth Amboy

PERTH AMBOY - The JRF has long been committed to supporting the needs of veterans. Since 1996, JRF has provided financial assistance, housing assistance, case management, job training/placement and other social services to help veterans cope with the many challenges they are faced with as they reintegrate into civilian society.

This year, we are facing the opportunity of winning a \$1M grant from the Veterans Administration to establish a Veterans Service Center, so that we can increase the number of veterans serviced throughout Middlesex and Essex counties, as well as deliver the above-mentioned assistance in as efficient, effective and accessible a manner as possible. Most importantly, it will lead to crating a centralized "hub" to connect our Veterans to essential services – in effect, serving our soldiers who typify the very definition of service. It is our experience that demonstrated community support is a vital factor in the awarding of funds.

Therefore, it is an understatement to say that we need your help to successfully show this support. On August, 12, 2012, JRF will partner with the G.I. GO Fund to host a "Stand Down for Homeless Veterans" event in Perth Amboy, where we will provide a range of services and assistance to approximately 500 homeless veterans.

Based out of Newark, G.I. GO is one of the region's leading Veteran service organizations. Recently featured on ABC's "Secret Millionaire", along with numerous media outlets, G.I. GO is now taking their model to Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington, D.C.

If you wish to give a donation, in any amount at any time, to support the costs for food, supplies, security and public services that are essential to host the Stand Down by mailing a check payable to Jewish Renaissance Foundation, mailed to JRF at 149 Kearny St. Perth Amboy, NJ 08861, Attn: Kristi Zayas.

It is one of our great societal tragedies that thousands of men and women who went to battle for our liberties and freedoms now battle for their next meal or safe shelter. Be a hero for our heroes!

Jorge Cruz
Director of Planning & Development, JRF of Organizations

Dedication Blessing of Future Site of Duarte Memorial - July 28, 2012

**photos by Paul W. Wang*



The Crowd stands during the Blessing at Caladonia/Roessler/Juan Pablo Duarte Park



Msgr. Gordon and local clergy preside over the blessing



Musicians perform at the blessing



The crowd listens to the prayers blessing the grounds



Blessing the land



Councilman Kenny Gonzalez, Mayor Diaz and local businessman, Enrique Hernandez (2nd from right) at the Commemorative Event

Jewish Renaissance and the Trujillo Family Luncheon at the Terrazza for a Veteran's Home

**photos by Paul W. Wang*



Alan Goldsmith, President of JRF (standing)



Eddie Trujillo (L) and Alan Goldsmith (R)



Intently listening during the luncheon



Tracy Jordan watches the presentation

Volunteer Opportunities with the Municipal Alliance

News Release

PERTH AMBOY— Mayor Wilda Diaz announces a volunteer opportunity for our residents to serve on the Perth Amboy Municipal Alliance advisory committee. “We are looking for residents that are committed to the Perth Amboy community. It’s an opportunity to serve and to also learn,” said Mayor Wilda Diaz. An

interest meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 14, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. at the Alexander Jankowski Community Center located on 1 Olive Street. Advisory Committee applications are due by Friday, August 24th.

Some key responsibilities include: consistent attendance at regular monthly committee meetings, participation at the meetings as an active mem-

ber and possible participation in the general activities of the organization.

Please be advised that this is strictly a voluntary position. Residents interested in becoming members of this committee may complete and return the Citizen Service application for consideration to Office of the Recreation, Attention: Lis Mery Ramirez located on 1 Olive Street, Perth Amboy,

New Jersey 08861.

About The Perth Amboy Municipal Alliance - The Perth Amboy Municipal Alliance was established in 1990 with the purpose of coordinating substance abuse prevention programs, activities and events for all community members throughout the year. To achieve this goal, the Municipal Alliance Committee is composed by a group of vol-

unteers who work collaboratively to plan and implement drug, alcohol and tobacco prevention programs in our community.

To learn more about the Perth Amboy Municipal Alliance, please contact Lis Mery Ramirez Municipal Alliance Coordinate at 732-826-1690 ext. 4325.

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The Fisherman's Corner

By: Eddie Gonzalez

PERTH AMBOY - This week we saw some crazy weather to say the least but we definitely have seen a pick up in the action once the water temps hit the mid 70S'. Deeper cooler waters is the way to go for the bigger fish. The Outerbridge along the channel has produced some nice fluke.

Catches this week: the boats is and always has been a nice place to look. A great spot often overlooked is the parkway bridge to the right side producing an assortment of fish from striper, fluke, spot and porgys. I fished there myself and it was amazing and I had great fun. The rock piles are still producing some fluke. Local angler Dave brought in an 8 pounder caught on my recommendation off the second rock pile. The triangle this week has been a little dry. The hook along the channel did very well for T this week limiting out cocktail blues. Been hitting the beaches chasing peanut bunker. Mohamed, a local fisherman well known and loved came in the shop showing his catch of blues almost limited out short by three fish all caught on peanut bunker.

Snapper fishing along the beaches have been great using a popper with a little mettler zapper been very affective spearing on a long shank hook works very well also.

Where are the pogy's? Normally pogy action hits here around September. Local fisherman George was fishing the monster and caught a few keepers he said. They're further out. You'll have to give it a good cast. Sandworms with a #4 hook is all you need.

Northern king fish are being caught by the train and victory bridge small long shank hook with a small piece of sandworm is all you need.

A few of the guys went to Staten Island to check out the action and hooked in some weakfish princess bay off the pier. Nice fish to catch.

The shop saw another burst of crabbers that came in and picked up some nets traps and bait crabbing been spotty thus far some people are doing well and others are not but it looks promising with very large crabs being brought in from locals.

Remember American Pride Bait and Tackle before your next fishing trip 211 Front St. (732) 486-8396.

1/4 cup fresh lime juice
1/4 cup fresh lemon juice
1/4 cup olive oil
1 tablespoon dry white wine
kosher salt and ground black pepper to taste
1/4 cup citrus flavored seafood rub

Place the fish fillets into a large bowl. Pour in the orange juice, lime juice, lemon juice, olive oil and white wine. Season with salt, pepper and seafood rub. Stir to blend and coat fish. Leave the squeezed lemon and lime halves in the bowl too. Marinate for at least 30 minutes.

Preheat a grill for high heat. When the grill is hot, oil the



grate.

Place fish fillets on the grill, and discard the marinade. Cook for 4 minutes on each side, or until fish flakes with a fork. Transfer to a serving platter, and remove the dark blue part of the fish before serving.

The red meat that turns dark when cooked is what doesn't taste that great. The more red meat a fish has the stronger they are and give a tougher fight.

Enjoy everyone.

I would love to get some feedback on the Fisherman's Corner. Email me at americanpridebt@gmail.com. Send me some reports, pic's and comments. Thank you.

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Annual Golden Rule Tea

SAYREVILLE/SOUTH AMBOY - The Annual Golden Rule Tea will be held on Sunday, September 16th at Trinity United Methodist Church, 815 Bordentown Ave, Sayreville/South Amboy from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. The Tea will include a fashion show from the Titanic era as well as a display of Titanic memorabilia. Various teas will be served together with homemade sandwiches and desserts. Tickets are \$15. Reservations are a must. Call 732-727-1935 or the Golden Rule Preschool at 732-721-3887 for further info and reservations.

Ghost Walk

WOODBIDGE - The annual Woodbridge Historic Ghost-Walk presents a Haunted History tour through downtown Woodbridge that reveals the supernatural side of New Jersey's oldest municipality on Friday, Oct. 5th and Saturday, Oct. 6th. First tour starts at 6:30 p.m. Last tour takes off at 9:30 p.m. Admission is first come, first served. Walk is \$5 per person for all walkers. (children in strollers are free.) Free Cookie & Hot Chocolate for all walkers (courtesy of our sponsor QuickChek). We accept group reservations of 10 or more paid in advance; call European School of Dance at (732) 738-6022 for reservations. For A Look at Last Year's Ghost Photos visit: www.hauntedhistoryproductions.com



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Wednesday, August 8 - 7 p.m.

RBMC Perth Amboy - 530 New Brunswick Ave.
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Breast Cancer Support Group

This group is for women currently in treatment or who have completed breast cancer treatment to share experiences and learn tips to deal with everyday issues.

Thursday, August 16 - 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Medical Pavilion at Woodbridge
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The class is designed to help expectant parents better understand the child-bearing process. A registered nurse with special training in labor, delivery and childcare techniques facilitates the class. Cost is \$125 per couple.

Saturday, August 18
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Raritan Bay Area YMCA
357 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy, NJ
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Visit rbmc.org for information about services and for a complete schedule of events.



Tasty Recipes
by Eddy Gonzalez
True Blue With A Twist
4 pounds bluefish fillets
1 cup orange juice

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)

Free Concert

WOODBIDGE - Woodbridge Wednesdays presents Brown Bird, Wednesday, August 1 at 7:30 p.m. at Parker Press Park, 400 Rahway Ave, Woodbridge. For more info call 732-596-4048 or go to www.WoodbridgeArtsNJ.org

Kidz Wii Club

SOUTH AMBOY - The Kidz Wii Club will meet every Friday at 3:30 p.m. at the Sadie Pope Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. For more info call 732-721-6060.

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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.

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.

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, August 5 at 11:05 a.m. - Victoria Griswold, piano Critically acclaimed international recitalist Victoria Griswold makes her third recital appearance at Saint Mary's by performing works for the piano composed by women composers of the past two centuries. Free-will offering.

HG Hoffman High School Reunion

SOUTH AMBOY - The 14th annual HG Hoffman High School Alumni Reunion will be held on Sunday, September 9, 2012 At the Atlantic Standard Restaurant at 3602 Route 35 No.- corner of Catherine Street- in South Amboy (formerly Fiamma's.) The price is \$50 per person. Please send checks payable to Susan Mattsson, 241 Cindy Street, Old Bridge NJ 08857. All alumni and friends of HHS are welcome at the multi-year reunion, regardless of your years of attendance or graduation. Susan may be contacted at Smatts4@aol.com for further information.

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Volunteers Needed

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 jnadonley@ccdom.org.

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LOOKING BACK



PERTH AMBOY - Circa 1970's Smith Street, Interior Grand Opening of Costas Food Stand
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Senior Scene

Happenings

Perth Amboy

- TODAY, Aug. 1 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., Aug 2 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
- MON., Aug. 6 St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.
- TUES., Aug. 7 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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Say this prayer for 3 consecutive days. You must publish it, and it will be granted to you.

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Raritan Bay Cruisers

WOODBIDGE - 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)

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