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First Significant Snowfall of Winter 2015 Dodging a Big Bullet



A woman walks down Smith Street *Photo by Paul W. Wang



City Hall during the early part of the afternoon on Monday 1/26/15. *Photo by Carolyn Maxwell

PERTH AMBOY - Although the forecast called for a major blizzard, our area was spared the brunt of the storm. The forecast caused the canceling of the municipal meetings scheduled for Monday, 1/26/15 and Wednesday 1/28/15 plus recreational and City offices were closed on Tuesday, 1/27/15.

Let's hope that future storms for the winter season are no greater than this.



A view of Smith Street after the Snowstorm 1/27/15 *Photo by Paul W. Wang

Advisory: Robbery

News Release

PERTH AMBOY - On Saturday 1/31/15 at 10:44 p.m. Police were dispatched to 122 Catalpa Ave. "Catalpa Mini Market" on an Armed Robbery that had occurred. Victim stated that as he was closing up for the night and exiting the store he was approached by two unidentified Hispanic males wearing black ski masks, gloves and black clothing. The suspects then forced the victim back into the store and stated to the victim in English with a Spanish (Dominican) accent "You know what it is, give me all the money". One of the suspects made the victim get on his knees and held him there at gun point while the other suspect went behind the counter and proceeded to take numer-

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Groundhog Day 2/2/15 Phil & Chuck Disagree



Punxsutawney Phil

NEW YORK/PENNSYLVANIA - Punxsutawney Phil and Staten Island Chuck disagree. Phil sees a winter chill



Staten Island Chuck

for six more weeks, while Chuck predicts an early spring. Which one will be the champion? Stay Tuned.

**Congratulations to the New England Patriots!
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Swearing in of Police Officers

*Photo & Information Submitted by PAPD



PERTH AMBOY - Pictured above (Center) Mayor Wilda Diaz and Acting Deputy Chief of Police Larry Cattano are surrounded by the newly promoted officers in the Perth Amboy Police Department.

PERTH AMBOY - On Thursday, January 22, 2015 at 4 p.m. Mayor Wilda Diaz proceeded in the swearing in and promotion of the following: two Captains, three Lieutenants, and four Sergeants. The ceremony took place at the Public Safety Municipal Complex Auditorium.

The nine promoted Officers include: Roman McKe-

on, Police Captain; Philip A. Terranova, Jr., Police Captain; Carl D. Graham, Jr., Police Lieutenant; Eddie Pardo, Police Lieutenant; Miguel A. Pellet, Police Lieutenant; Nicholas Millroy, Police Sergeant; Christopher D. Jov, Police Sergeant; Pascal Medina, Jr., Police Sergeant; and Mabner Terron, Police Sergeant.

Asking for Increase in Tow Rates and Charges for Services

PERTH AMBOY - Communication No. 10 on the 1/12/15 Caucus and 1/14/15 Council Meetings.

A petition with the signatures of eight towers requested an increase for rates and charges for services.

Business Administrator Jillian Barrick said, "We will look into having a Council subcommittee to address issues like this."

Councilman William Petrick said, "We should look to make sure towers have yards in town. City Attorney Mark Blunda said, "You cannot exclude out-of-town towers on our towing list."

Petrick responded to that comment, "Maybe we should require out-of-town towers to lease yards within the City."

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez was concerned about



Business Administrator
Jillian Barrick

alternate side of the street parking. "People are getting ticketed and towed even if it's for a first time infraction. This is costing them between \$80 and \$110."

Gonzalez felt that this should be looked into.

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GMC Swim Championship - 1/30/15 - 1/31/15
*Photos by Paul W. Wang



PERTH AMBOY - The GMC Swim Championships were held at the Perth Amboy YMCA. The girls competed on Friday, 1/30/15 and the boys competed on Saturday, 1/31/15. For the girls East Brunswick Came in first, Bishop Ahr Second, and Metuchen third. For the boys, St. Joseph's came in first, East Brunswick came in second and South Brunswick came in third. It is the 37th consecutive year St. Joseph has won the GMC Boys Swim Championship.

**Pallone Highlights President Obama's
Community College Proposal During Event At
Middlesex County College**

EDISON – Today, Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr. (NJ-06) hosted an event at Middlesex County College to highlight President Obama's plan to make community college free for responsible students. Congressman Pallone was joined by Joann La Perla-Morales, President of Middlesex County College; New Jersey Assemblyman Patrick J. Diegnan, Jr.; Middlesex County Freeholder Director Ronald G. Rios; and students of the college.

"I have always supported improving access to higher education, and I think President Obama's proposal to make community college free would be a tremendous step toward making the costs of higher education more affordable," said Pallone. "Here in New Jersey, and across the nation, community colleges offer educational opportunity to students just beginning higher education, to people already in the workforce looking to gain additional training, and for the unemployed looking to change careers. The President's proposal could benefit them all, and countless others for whom higher education currently seems unattainable."

The proposal, which the President discussed in his State of the Union address earlier this week, would make two years of community college as free and universal as high school, so long as students enroll in a certain number of classes, maintain a 2.5 GPA, and make progress toward completing their program.

**Pallone Announces Release of Study to Improve
Coastal Resiliency in New Jersey**
*Lessons Learned from Superstorm Sandy Can Help Reduce Impact of
Future Storms, Climate Change*

News Release 1/28/15
WASHINGTON, DC – Today, Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr. (NJ-06) announced that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has released a report detailing the results of a two-year study to address storm and flood risk to vulnerable populations, property, ecosystems, and infrastructure in areas severely affected by Superstorm Sandy.

The study, known as the North Atlantic Coast Comprehensive Study, is designed to help the federal government, states, and local communities better understand changing flood risks associated with climate change and to provide tools to help those communities better prepare for future storms. Federal funding for this study was provided by the Sandy aid package, which Pallone fought for in Congress.

"I am hopeful that this report will help federal, state, and local governments mitigate the adverse effects of future disasters," said Congressman Pallone. "This study builds on the lessons we learned from Superstorm Sandy and allows officials to use the latest science and tools to ensure that New Jersey coastal communities are resilient to the impacts of climate change, as well as future storms."

Through the study, the Army Corps of Engineers has developed a nine-step "Coastal Storm Risk Management Framework," which will help officials identify and reduce risks in their town or state and can be customized for different coastal areas. The report also analyzed the potential impacts of sea level rise on areas effected by Superstorm Sandy and found that more attention must be paid to bayside areas where the effects of sea level change will be felt first.



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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.

Kidz Wii Club

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



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- Tai Chi

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- Personal Training
- Swimming Lessons
- SilverSneakers Fitness Program

LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

EDITORIAL

Leaders - Start A New U.N.

People complain that the United Nations has lost its purpose. I tend to agree with that. We all know what happened in France with the slaughter that occurred at the Newspaper headquarters of Charlie Hebdo.

Unfortunately a Jewish Deli was also attacked and innocent victims were murdered there, too. We saw where masses of people came together worldwide with signs saying, “We are Chalie Hebdo.”

In France, forty world heads of state gathered to show solidarity in ridding the world of terrorism.

I would like to see the same leaders and the masses that gathered to protest the slaying’s in France also protest the slaying’s and injustices around the world.

Case in point: Remember the young girls that were kidnapped and sold as child brides? No disrespect to Michelle Obama, but a home-made sign telling these kidnappers bring our girls home did not cut it. Your message should have been stronger. You do have two young daughters the same age as those girls.I applaud President Obama for sending a team to help find the kidnapped Nigerian girls.

What about the hundreds of Christians being slaughtered? What about making signs and having mass protests against those who commit these barbaric acts?

This is what I would like to see. It puzzles me when I hear about some people who make anti-Semitic remarks and say we should protest against Israel.

Again, my friend Jeff in Arizona sent me an email a couple of months ago. In this email, it said, “If you want to protest against Israel - go all the way!” This email was very interesting because it listed accomplishments made by Jewish individuals that are common inventions that we take for granted in everyday life.

From www.simpletoremember.com: *At least 170 Jews and persons of half-Jewish*

ancestry have been awarded the Nobel Prize,1 accounting for 22% of all individual recipients worldwide between 1901 and 2005, and constituting 37% of all US recipients 2 during the same period. In the scientific research fields of Chemistry, Economics, Medicine, and Physics, the corresponding world and US percentages are 26% and 39%, respectively. (Jews currently make up approximately 0.25% of the world’s population and 2% of the US population.)

We all knew about Jonas Salk who discovered the Polio Vaccine and the accomplishments of Albert Einstein. Did you know Gabriel Lipmann discovered color photography? Julius Mayer discovered law of thermodynamics. Briton Epstein identified first cancer virus. G. Edelman discovered chemical structure of antibodies. Selman Waksman discovered Streptomycin and coined the word ‘antibiotic’.

So if you want to boycott the Jewish people - will you stop using the life saving treatments that they have discovered? I think not.

Don’t get me wrong, every ethnic group has made contributions to better society. I just don’t understand why some groups get the brunt of criticism.

The United Nations as it exists today is not doing the job that it was formed to do.

This is from the UN Charter:

- *to practice tolerance and live together in peace with one another as good neighbors, and*
- *to unite our strength to maintain international peace and security, and*
- *to ensure, by the acceptance of principles and the institution of methods, that armed force shall not be used, save in the common interest, and*
- *to employ international machinery for the promotion of the economic and social advancement of all peoples.*

Do you think they are succeeding? I’d like to hear your opinions on anything stated here. **C.M.**

THE COMMUNITY VOICE

Response to Letter by David Szilagyi

Interest in the Proprietary House is always welcome and the Board of Trustees would like to offer the following factual information in response to any concerns about its historic value.

From time to time, controversy arises regarding the unique status of the Proprietary House as the only remaining official royal governor’s residence in the former 13 colonies, with a number of other sites making similar claims. Over the years, Registered Architect and former Perth Amboy City Historian, William Pavlovsky, has had letters published in various magazines (Historic Preservation, Antiques, etc.) in an effort to set the record straight, once and for all. Pavlovsky has considerable expertise on the subjects of the Proprietary House and Colonial American Architecture, holding a Masters of Architecture from Harvard University and a B.A. in both History and Architectural History from the College of William and Mary.

The Proprietary House, although altered and enlarged, is sufficiently intact to be considered an original “surviving” structure. It was built 1762-64 specifically to serve as the official residence of the royal governors of New Jersey - not a specific governor, but the governor holding the office at the time. This is what makes it an “official” residence. A fire

during the 1780’s destroyed the Proprietary House’s interior colonial woodwork, but not the walls. The exterior walls and, with one exception, the interior partition walls are all of brick and are original. The layout of the 1762 house is as designed and would be recognizable to colonial New Jersey’s last royal governor, William Franklin. A number of other historic sites have claims as either surviving original or reconstructed residences of colonial royal governors. However, only the Proprietary House is both a “surviving” original structure and an “official” colonial royal governor’s residence.

The Shirley-Eustis House (Shirley Place) was built 1747-51 by Royal Governor William Shirley of Massachusetts as his private suburban residence in Roxbury (then Dorchester, now part of Boston). Shirley Place remains standing today, but the official royal governor’s residence of Massachusetts at the time was the Province House in Boston, which was originally built as a private house 1676-9. It was acquired and remodeled in 1728 by the Province of Massachusetts Bay. What was left of it was demolished in 1922.

The Benning Wentworth House outside of Portsmouth was largely built and occupied by the first royal governor (1741-67) of New Hampshire separate from Massachusetts, but it was never an “official” residence. In fact, Wentworth tried to have the Province buy his sister’s brick house in the center of Portsmouth (the

Macphedris-Warner House, built 1716-18) to serve as the official governor’s residence, but the asking price was too high for the Assembly.

“Tryon’s Palace” in New Bern, North Carolina, was built 1767-70 as the official royal governor’s residence, but burned to the ground. The present house is a modern reconstruction on the original foundations. One of the house’s flanking wings, with a stable on the ground floor, survived the fire and is the only small portion of the original structure that remains standing today. The 1950’s reconstruction of Tryon’s Palace was based on the original architectural drawings.

As is well known, the present Governor’s Palace in Williamsburg, Virginia, which was originally built specifically as the royal governor’s residence, is a reconstruction on the original foundations.

“Whitehall,” located in Anne Arundel County, Maryland, was built by the Royal Governor of Maryland, Horatio Sharpe, in 1764 as a country retreat. Like Shirley Place, it was Sharpe’s private home, not an “official” governor’s residence

The Ogden-Belcher Mansion in Elizabeth, New Jersey, was partially built and occupied by Royal Governor Jonathan Belcher during his tenure in office (1747-57). Although occupied by a sitting royal governor, it was a private, not an official, residence. Something similar can be said for the Trent House in Trenton. Lewis Morris, royal governor between 1738 and 1746, occupied it 1742-6, although he was a tenant, not an owner.

The Proprietary House is, therefore, incontestably the only surviving OFFICIAL royal governor’s residence in the former 13 colonies. The claim is valid.

Come visit us! The House belongs to all of us. We are open for tours the last Sunday of the month from 1-4pm. We are preparing to open for events in the near future, so keep us in mind for meetings, weddings, showers etc. Learn about this great historic site that has withstood the test of time. Thank you for allowing us this opportunity to inform the public of its historic value.

On behalf of the Proprietary House Association Board of Trustees,

Lisa Nanton, President
Proprietary House Association

Hats off to the Perth Amboy Police

During the last snow storm I witnessed nothing but professionalism from the Perth Amboy Police Department. Patrons to my business who inadvertently parked in prohibited areas for parking when snowed in, were given full courtesies to remove their vehicles without the usual punitive actions, such as the towing of their cars and of course, summonses. Even I missed a no parking sign in the storm and yet I was given the opportunity to remove my vehicle. Many good things go unsaid about police departments, including those times when they act as true professionals. The Perth Amboy Police Department is high in the ratings among the many and it is an irreplaceable force that protects us all. Hats off to them.

Eralides E. Cabrera
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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 (Proprietary House).

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PERTH AMBOY - Every Wednesday: : FAMILY SUCCESS CENTER is offering a free course to assist those who plan on taking the USCIS Citizenship Test. All details will be discussed at the meeting. All who plan to take the course must attend Orientation. Call or visit the office to register. 149 Kearny Ave. (Proprietary House) Perth Amboy.

Kearny Cottage Open

PERTH AMBOY - Come visit 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

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WED. Feb. 11	City Council, Regular, 7 p.m. City Hall, High St.
THURS. Feb. 12	Board of Education, 6 p.m. PAHS, Eagle Ave.

South Amboy

WED. Feb. 4	City Council, Business, 6 p.m. City Hall, N. Broadway
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PERTH AMBOY - The Human Motion Institute at Raritan Bay Medical Center is sponsoring a free "We Keep You Moving" Total Joint Replacement Education session Friday, February 6, 9 a.m. to 12 noon, at the medical center's Perth Amboy location, 530 New Brunswick Ave. Session will be presented by clinical specialists. Registration required, call 732.535.4746.

Parents Night Out

SOUTH AMBOY - The South Amboy YMCA offers a Parents Night Out which is available on select Friday evenings from 6:30 p.m to 9:30 p.m. Our next PNO is Friday, January 30th. Children ages 4-12 enjoy a pizza dinner, play games, do arts & crafts, projects, and watch a movie while parents get a break from their routine. Registration 48 hours in advance is required and children must be toilet trained. If you have any questions, please call the Member Services Desk at 732-553-9622.



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Spaghetti Dinner

PERTH AMBOY - The NJROTC is having a Spaghetti Dinner on Friday. Feb. 20th at American Legion Post 45, 530 Smith St., Perth Amboy from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. For tickets or questions speak to the NJROTC Unit SNSI by emailing PAHSNJROTC@GMAIL.COM. Menu: Choice of Pasta Salad, mini sandwich/ bread, choice of drink.

Obituary: Mary Frances Graham Brighton

PERTH AMBOY - Mary Frances went to her heavenly home on Friday, January 30, 2015.

She leaves behind son Carl Sr., daughter Melissa Whitehead (Roger), sister Barbara Williams (John), several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Also too many other family and friends to mention who loved her dearly as she loved them.


We will sorely miss her, especially during our family reunion meetings and events.

Viewing will be at the Cathedral International, 277 Madison Ave. on Tuesday, February 3, 2015 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The Funeral Service will be held at the same location on Wednesday, February 4, 2015 at 10 a.m. In lieu of flowers, Frances had requested that


Mary Frances Graham Brighton


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The Bombardment of Perth Amboy 1776
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PERTH AMBOY - “The Bombardment of Perth Amboy 1776” is our brand new documentary to be aired on our local Comcast Channel 34 Television. Here we bring to life the experiences of Perth Amboy 239 years ago.

General George Washington viewed Perth Amboy as playing a pivotal role in the Revolutionary War. And during 1776 all eyes turned to New Jersey’s colonial capital as America’s War For Independence exploded in our streets and on our bay.

We have unearthed eyewitness accounts of this saga scattered in numerous archives across the country have used them along with many rare colonial images to create the foundation of our film.

Unlike some of our previous works, this documentary will not be released on DVD, so you will have to check Channel 34’s TV schedule for the viewing times. Please tune in and enjoy!

John Kerry Dyke, producer
and the entire film crew

Tax Facts

Get Your Financial House In Order
For The New Year

*Courtesy of Tom Ploskanka

The arrival of a new year is a great time to assess your household finances and prepare for new opportunities. To help you get started, here are a few suggestions:

- Set financial goals. Financially speaking, where do you want to be a year from now? Will you start a small business, cut back spending or look for better returns on your investments? Take time to dream; then put your goals in writing. Thoughtful planning is a first step toward prioritizing both spending and saving.
- Review your credit report. The law requires each of the three major credit bureaus to give you a free copy of your credit report every twelve months. The reports shouldn’t contain significant errors; if they do, make sure the discrepancies get resolved.
- Make or update a home inventory. Go through your house with a camera and describe what you see, along with pertinent information about your most valuable assets (purchase dates, prices, estimated values). Make an extra copy or two of the video. Keep one for yourself, put one in a safety deposit box, or send one to a friend or relative (preferably in another town) for safe keeping. Should you experience a fire or other disaster, your home inventory can be vital for getting insurance claims approved.
- Increase your savings. The start of a new year is often a time when companies offer cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs) to their employees. If your employer provides such a benefit, consider contributing a portion of the increase to your 401(k) plan or other savings account. It’s a relatively painless way to save more.
- Calculate your net worth. This is a great yardstick for measuring your household’s financial growth (or shrinkage) from year to year. Simply put, your net worth is the value of your assets (house, personal property, bank accounts, car, investments) minus your liabilities (mortgage, credit card balances, loans). Widely available financial software can help you automate this task.
- Purge old financial records. If you’re a financial packrat who keeps old cancelled checks and bank statements long past when they may be needed for an IRS audit or your own use, consider shredding them.

If you’d like additional suggestions for setting your financial house in order this coming year, give us a call.

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Movie Review: Paddington

By: Anton Massopust III

“Just because Paddington is a bear and comes from the other side of the world does not make him family. We love Paddington, and that makes him family.”

Who loves marmalade, wears a blue coat and a red explorer’s hat, and was named after Paddington Train Station? Of course, it’s Paddington Bear! Paddington has lived on and off in Peru, but after an earthquake destroyed his home, he is sent to London, England, in order to find a family to live within a forever home. When the Brown family finds him, Mr. Brown is not too keen on giving Paddington a home, but Mrs. Brown feels that they should try their best to help him. Paddington is looking for the explorer that gave his uncle his hat so that he can prove to the Brown family that he is not lying about his origins. As Paddington’s adventures be-

gin, the Brown family realize that he is more a part of their family than they expect.

Enter the villain. Nicole Kidman plays a taxidermist who is eager to find Paddington in order to turn him into a permanent display in the London Museum. A nosy neighbor, Mr. Curry, is lending her a hand - he is played by Dr. Who’s Peter Capaldi.

Is PADDINGTON a good movie to take your kids to? Absolutely! The special effects lend a realism to both the live and animated characters and work flawlessly for this film. Hugh Bonneville plays Mr. Brown, and he is a great comic foil to Paddington’s character. The rest of the supporting cast, especially the Brown family are terrific. The cinematography has to be seen to be believed - think of GRAND BUDAPEST HOTEL or THE FANTASTIC MR. FOX. I al-



ready mentioned Nicole Kidman and Peter Capaldi, and I do hope to see more of them in a sequel. If you are not familiar with Paddington, it was an animated series by Peter Eustinoﬀ and of course, look up the Paddington Bear books. This film talks about immigration and acceptance, and even though someone is a little strange or different, perhaps we can work to understand them, and even love them. And then it would be a merrier world, wouldn’t it?

Happy Valentine's Day

Veterans Valentine's Day Dinner/Dance

SOUTH AMBOY - Love is in The Air For Our Veterans. South Amboy Elks #784 @ 601 Washington Ave., South Amboy, N.J. is hosting a Valentine's Day Appreciation Dinner/Dance for our Veterans on Saturday, February 14th (Valentine's Day) from 12 noon to 3 p.m. Cost: Free to all Veterans - All others \$5. Reservations are required - Call 732-718-3125 to reserve and/or for add'l info.

Healthy Heart Event

SOUTH AMBOY - Raritan Bay Medical Center is providing a healthy heart event providing free education about chronic heart conditions, medication management, blood pressure screening and heart rate testing Wednesday, February 4, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at South Amboy YMCA, 200 John T. O'Leary Blvd. High blood pressure and irregular heart is associated with stroke, heart failure, heart attack and other life threatening conditions. Take advantage of these screenings and education to maintain a healthy heart.

Go Red for Women Healthy Heart Event

PERTH AMBOY - Raritan Bay Medical Center is offering a Go Red for Women Healthy Heart Event Friday, February 6, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at seven different location, including: Raritan Bay Area YMCA, 357 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy, NJ; Provident Bank: Old Bridge Branch, 3889 Rt. 516, Old Bridge, NJ 08857; South Amboy Branch, 600 Washington Avenue, South Amboy, NJ 08879; Administrative Office, 100 Wood Avenue South Iselin NJ 08830; Woodbridge Branch, 325 Amboy Ave., Woodbridge, NJ 07095; Perth Amboy Branch, 339 State St. Perth Amboy, NJ 08862; Sayreville Borough Hall, 167 Main St., Sayreville, NJ, 11 a.m. - 12 noon. High blood pressure is associated with stroke, heart failure, heart attack and other life threatening conditions. Take advantage of this free screening to know your pressure levels and learn basic steps to regulate and maintain healthy blood pressure levels.

Kid's Winter Bingo

SOUTH AMBOY - All ages! Wednesday, January 21 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Dowdell Library of South Amboy, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. For more info call 732-721-6060.

Flower Sale

SOUTH AMBOY - The Motorcycle Club of South Amboy Elks Lodge #784 will be having a flower sale just in time for Valentine's Day. Flowers and Roses will be available: Friday 2/13 from 4 p.m. - 8 p.m. and Saturday, 2/14 from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Contact: Tracy 908-510-4161

Chamber Players

WOODBIDGE - Happy New Year! 2015 at the Barron Arts Center. All Seasons Chamber Players on Friday, February 13, 2015 at 8 p.m. Their 26th Season at the Barron Arts Center, 582 Rahway Avenue, Woodbridge. Reservations Essential. Call 732-634-0413.

Children's Valentine's Day Party

SEWAREN - Free Event: A Children's Valentine's Day Party, February 14, 2015 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Sewaren Free Public Library, 546 West Ave., Sewaren. Story, snack, crafts and a Special Guest. Registration required, please call 732-634-7571



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National Wear Red Day

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Arturo Alfonso Schomburg An Afro Puerto Rican Contribution to African American History Month

Courtesy of: Yvonne Lopez (CEO – Puerto Rican Association for Human Development, Inc. (PRAHD) 2-2-15

PERTH AMBOY - This month the country celebrates the history and achievements of African Americans. We celebrate the contributions, large and small, made by the descendants of Africans; contributions that have made our country great. It is important to note that the primary center for African American History is named after Arturo Alfonso Schomburg, a Puerto Rican of African and German descent. The renowned Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, located in the New York Public Library's 135th St. branch in Harlem, has at its core Schomburg's collection of over 10,000 books, manuscripts, prints, photos, letters and any other evidence he could find documenting African contribution to history.

Schomburg was born and raised in Santurce, Puerto Rico. He was intensely involved in both the Puerto Rican and Cuban independence movements from Spain during the 1890s before the Spanish American War.

Stung by the remarks of a teacher in Puerto Rico who told him "Negroes have no history", he dedicated his life to proving that teacher wrong. Schomburg understood that knowledge of history was the route to racial dignity. In his



Arturo Alfonso Schomburg
*Photo Submitted

1925 essay, *The Negro Digs up His Past*, he wrote: "History must restore what slavery took away, for it is the social damage of slavery that the present generations must repair and offset".

In honor of African American History Month on Friday, February 27 from 12 to 2 p.m.; The Puerto Rican Association for Human Development, Inc. (PRAHD) will present the organization's second annual Arturo Alfonso Schomburg African American History Month Award to Ms. Edna Dorothy Carty-Daniel, an individual who exemplifies excellence and service to the Perth Amboy community. New Jersey Lt. Governor Kim Guadagno will give remarks.

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Carnival - Mardi Gras - Masque

WOODBIDGE - Saturday, Feb. 21, The Forge Inn, Rte. 9 N., Woodbridge. Live Band for dancing by Maria L Stavros Damore. Fun, Prizes and Surprises. Doors open 7 p.m. Cash Bar. All are invited. Dress in your Favorite Jester, Joker Costume (Optional). St. Demetrios Board of Trustees will be honoring: Lambros Simatos (Elevator Committee/Past President); Kateina Ganiaris (Past President); Soterios Petroustos (Sexton); George Seitis (Chief Chef), Presvytera Eva Michaels and Zeffie Filindras (Beautification Award Winners). Must make Reservations in advance. Must RSVP on or before Feb. 15, 2015. Donation: \$45 pp; Children 7 to 16 yrs \$25; Under 6 yrs. Free. Seniors over 65 yrs. \$40. Please make checks payable to St. Demetrios Church and mail to Olga Mamaligas, 40 Henry St., Sayreville, NJ 08872. (732-254-0311). For more info call Irene Pakis - 732-591-1878; Afroula Kanelides - 732-423-7256 or Helen Horan - 908-756-6352.

Cardiac Club

PERTH AMBOY - Raritan Bay Medical Center's Cardiac Club will meet Monday, February 16, 7 to 8:30 p.m., at the hospital's Perth Amboy location, 530 New Brunswick Ave. Meetings are held in the hospital's Centennial Hall and provide education and support for those managing chronic heart conditions. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 732.324.5178.

Health Coverage

PERTH AMBOY - The Health Insurance Marketplace helps uninsured people enroll in health coverage. From November 15, 2014 to February 15, 2015, the Jewish Renaissance Medical Center at 275 Hobart Street can help you apply for health coverage through the Marketplace. Plans cover essential health benefits, pre-existing conditions, and preventive care. Our Patient Navigators are available to help. Call us at 732-376-9333.

Edison AARP Chapter 3446

EDISON - The following is a schedule of events for the coming months, which are open to non members. Feb. 19, 2015: Hunterdon Hills Playhouse - "Jukehouse Heroes" - For more info call Mary Ann at 732-287-3659. For additional info visit our website at www.edisonaarp.org.

Flu Shots Available

PERTH AMBOY - Don't Let the Flu Be Your Costume. Get your vaccination at the JRMC. Schedule your appointment today at one of our locations. Perth Amboy, 275 Hobart Street, (732) 376-9333 or email contactus@jmc.us. In Newark - 5 locations (973) 679-7709 or email newarkhealthcenters@jrmc.us

Learn with the Rabbi at

Panera Yeshiva

WOODBIDGE - Every Wednesday, in January and February, Rabbi Saks of Congregation Beth Mordecai of Perth Amboy will be at Panera Bread in Woodbridge (across from Wegmans) from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. He will be teaching different Jewish subjects each week.

Ask the Rabbi

EDISON - Every Wednesday, in January and February, Rabbi Saks of Congregation Beth Mordecai of Perth Amboy will be at Menlo Park Mall Food Court at 12 noon to 1 pm for his "Ask the Rabbi" program. He will offer a Jewish perspective on any question that you would like to ask.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner

SAYREVILLE - The Sayreville United Methodist Church will be having their annual St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef Dinner on Saturday, March 7, 2015 from 6 - 8 pm at Sayreville United Methodist Church, 406 Main Street, Sayreville, NJ 08872. Cost: Adult: \$10.00, Seniors/Students/Children 5-12: \$8.00, Children under 5: Free Dinner of Spaghetti & Meatballs. Dinner Includes: Corned Beef or Spaghetti & Meatballs, Boiled Cabbage & Carrots, Boiled Potatoes, Rye Bread or Roll, Beverage and Dessert. For questions or additional tickets, please contact: Christine Glace (732)613-8768.

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Healthcare Provider CPR Class

PERTH AMBOY - Raritan Bay Medical Center is providing an American Heart Association Healthcare Provider CPR class Wednesday February 4, 6 p.m., at the Raritan Bay Area YMCA, 357 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy, NJ. Participants will receive certification CPR for adults, infants and children and learn about ventilation devices, automated external defibrillators and how to clear an obstructed airway in responsive and unresponsive patients. Cost is \$80 per person. Make checks payable to RBMC. Registration required, call 1-800-DOCTORS. (1.800.362.8677)

Childbirth Education Class

PERTH AMBOY - Raritan Bay Medical Center is sponsoring a one day Childbirth Education class Saturday, February 28, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The class is designed to help expectant parents better understand the childbearing process. A registered nurse with special training in labor, delivery and childcare techniques will facilitate the class. It will be held at Raritan Bay Area YMCA, 357 New Brunswick Ave., Lower Level, Perth Amboy. The fee for the course is \$125 per couple. Registration required, call 1.800.DOCTORS (1.800.362.8677) and reference zip code 08861.

Tour of The Berkow Mater- nity Pavilion

PERTH AMBOY - Raritan Bay Medical Center's monthly tour of The Berkow Maternity Pavilion and family health information open house will be held Wednesday, February 11, at 7 p.m. Newly expectant parents are invited to take the tour and learn about the maternity unit's modern comforts designed to provide a calm and relaxing birthing experience. Participants are asked to meet in the main lobby of the hospital's Perth Amboy location, 530 New Brunswick Ave. Registration required, call 1.800.DOCTORS (1.800.362.8677) and reference zip code 08861.

HSE (GED) Classes

PERTH AMBOY - Interested in obtaining your high school equivalency (HSE formerly known as GED) diploma while getting paid to learn? If so, please contact the Civic Justice Corps program at (732)324-2114 Ext. 102 or Ext. 100 or visit us at 149 Kearny Ave. (Proprietary House) Room 401 Perth Amboy, NJ 08861. CJC is a project of the Jewish Renaissance Foundation. We provide academic, leadership and career support to males between the ages of 18-25 years old. We also offer a modest stipend to all our participants.

Dinner for Perth Amboy Democratic Candidates, Portuguese Club, Perth Amboy

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C is for Cookie

SOUTH AMBOY - Ages 3-4 yrs. old. Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m. at the Dowdell Library of South Amboy, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. For more info call 732-721-6060. Decorate Cookies - Hear a fun story!

Friends of the Perth Amboy Free Public

Library Meeting

PERTHAMBOY - The Friends of the Perth Amboy Free Public Library will be meeting on Wednesday, February 4 at 7 p.m. at the Kearny Cottage, 63 Catalpa Ave., Perth Amboy. Everyone is welcome to attend. For more info call 732-797-8074.

Buffalo Soldiers

Presentation

PERTH AMBOY - In honor of Black History Month there will be a presentation on the Buffalo Soldiers at 1 p.m. on Sunday, February 8 at the Kearny Cottage, 63 Catalpa Ave. Sponsored by the Kearny Cottage Historical Association and the Friends of Perth Amboy Free Public Library. \$5 Suggested Donation. Light refreshments available.

Photography Classes

PERTH AMBOY - Come learn Portrait Photography. Lessons take place at the Kearny Cottage, 63 Catalpa Ave. at 7 p.m., Tuesdays starting 1/27/15 will last an 8 week session. Must have a Digital Camera. \$50 pp for 8 week session. For more info call Paul at 732-293-1090 or 908-812-4549.

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Parties at the

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2015 Commemorative Historic Perth Amboy Calendars



2015 Historic Perth Amboy Calendars are available at the Barge Restaurant, 201 Front St., Perth Amboy 732-442-3000 or at Fertigs Dept. Store, 195 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy 732-646-8337 or Call Paul or Katherine at 732-293-1090. This year, the Calendars feature full color paintings by Artist Francis McGinley from Donald Johnstone Peck's book, "An American Journey of Hope." Sponsored by the Kearny Cottage Historical Association and the Friends of Perth Amboy Free Public Library. Calendars are \$15 Each.

2015 RYC Commemorative Calendars For Sale



PERTH AMBOY - Raritan Yacht Club, Perth Amboy will be celebrating their 150th Anniversary in 2015. To "Kick Off" the New Year, a limited edition, commemorative calendar with 13 vintage photographs is available for \$15 by contacting the RYC Office 732-826-2277 or Barbara Booz 732-442-4234.

Piroghi and Cake Sale

PERTH AMBOY - St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church, 404 Division St., Perth Amboy is having a potato piroghi and cake sale starting on Mon. Jan. 26 to Friday, Jan. 30. Call 732-826-7067 between 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. to place your orders. Cakes are nut, poppy seed, apricot, raspberry and prune. Price \$11. Pick up date is Tues. Feb. 3 and Wed. Feb. 4 at the above address. Price is \$8 per dozen potato piroghi. All gourmet items are handmade.

Vet's Coffee House

PERTH AMBOY - Attention area vets of our Armed Forces. The Salvation Army Vet's Coffee House meets once a month, every 2nd Thursday for coffee, donuts and conversation. Time is 19:00 - 21:00 located at the corner of Washington Street and State Street, Perth Amboy. We can be reached at the Salvation Army 732-826-7040. We look forward to meeting you.

Miraculous Invocation
to St. Theresa

Oh Glorious St. Theresa, whom Almighty God has raised up to aid and counsel mankind, I invite your miraculous intercession. So powerful are you in obtaining every need of body and soul, our Holy Mother Church proclaims you a “prodigy of miracles. The greatest Saint of modern times.” Now I fervently beseech you to answer my petition (mention here) and carry out your promise of doing good upon earth of letting fall from heaven a shower of roses, henceforth Dear Little Flower, I will fulfill your plea to be made known everywhere and I will never cease to lead others to Jesus through you. Amen.

Say prayer every day for 9 days. By the 4th day ask for a sign if prayer is to be answered between 4th and 9th day you will see a rose in a magazine, TV picture, or receive roses, also can get a strange scent of roses in home even if no roses present. Must promise publication. M.D.P.

Grandparents
Newborn Care
Class

PERTH AMBOY - Raritan Bay Medical Center is providing a Grandparents Newborn Care Class Wednesday, February 18, 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Raritan Bay Area YMCA, 357 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy, NJ. The class is about learning to help in your grandbaby’s growth and development. The newest research in baby care will be discussed. Cost is \$50 per couple. Make checks payable to RBMC. Registration required, call 1-800-DOCTORS.

Advisory:
Robbery

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ous items. The suspect holding the victim at gun point proceeded to remove items from the victim pockets. Once the suspects were completed with removing items from the store they forced the victim into the grocery store bathroom. The suspects then fled the store. Anyone with additional information please contact Detective Liza Capo at 732-324-3815

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Thanksgiving Prayer

Loving and gentle God, we gather this day to pause and give you thanks. Your many gifts of creation are countless and your goodness is beyond our imagination. Let us bring to you all that we are grateful for in our lives. For the food on our tables....for the shelter we have....for the clothes on our bodies....for the job that we have...for the education of our children....for (name your intentions) ... for all of this we are grateful. Amen. **M.D.P.**

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

Prayer to the
Holy Spirit

Spirit of wisdom and understanding, enlighten our minds to perceive the mysteries of the universe in relation to eternity. Spirit of right judgment and courage, guide us and make us firm in our baptismal decision to follow Jesus’ way of love. Spirit of knowledge and reverence, help us to see the lasting value of justice and mercy in our everyday dealings with one another. May we respect life as we work to solve problems of family and nation, economy and ecology. Spirit of God, spark our faith, hope and love into new action each day. Fill our lives with wonder and awe in your presence which penetrates all creation. Amen. **M.D.P.**

Novena to St. Joseph

Glorious St. Joseph, foster-father and protector of Jesus Christ! To you do I raise my heart and hands to implore your powerful intercession. Please obtain for me from the kind Heart of Jesus the help and graces necessary for my spiritual and temporal welfare. I ask particularly for the grace of a happy death, and the special favor I now implore (*name it*).
Guardian of the Word Incarnate, I feel animated with confidence that your prayers in my behalf will be graciously heard before the throne of God.
O glorious St. Joseph, through the love you bear to Jesus Christ, and for the glory of His name.
Hear my prayers and obtain my petitions. **M.D.P.**

Prayer to
Blessed Mother
Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen. **M.D.P.**

E-Book Help
SOUTH AMBOY - There are free E-Book Help on Thursdays from 6:15 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. at the Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. For more info call 732-721-6060.

Public Notice

Take Notice that an application will be submitted to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Land Use Regulation for a Waterfront Development Permit for the development described below:

APPLICANT: Perth Amboy 1160, LLC

PROJECT NAME: 1160 State Street, Perth Amboy, New Jersey Remediation and Redevelopment Plan

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Remediation of contaminated groundwater on the property and a preliminary redevelopment plan post-remediation.

PROJECT STREET ADDRESS: 1160 State Street

BLOCK: 428/430

LOT: Lot1.04/Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4

MUNICIPALITY: Perth Amboy

COUNTY: Middlesex County

The complete permit application package can be reviewed at either the municipal clerk’s office or by appointment at the Department’s Trenton office. The Department of Environmental Protection welcomes comments and any information that you may provide concerning the proposed development and site. Please submit your written comments within 15 days of receiving this notice to:

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
Division of Land Use Regulation
P.O. Box 420, Code 501-02A
501 East State Street
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0420
Attn: (Municipality in which the property is located) Bureau Chief.

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. **M.D.P.**

Novena to St. Jude

Most holy Apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honors and invokes you universally, as the patron of difficult cases, of things almost despaired of, Pray for me, I am so helpless and alone. Intercede with God for me that He 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 - *(make your request here)* - and that I may praise God with you and all the saints forever. I promise, Oh Blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor granted me by God and to always honor you as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to you. Amen **M.D.P.**

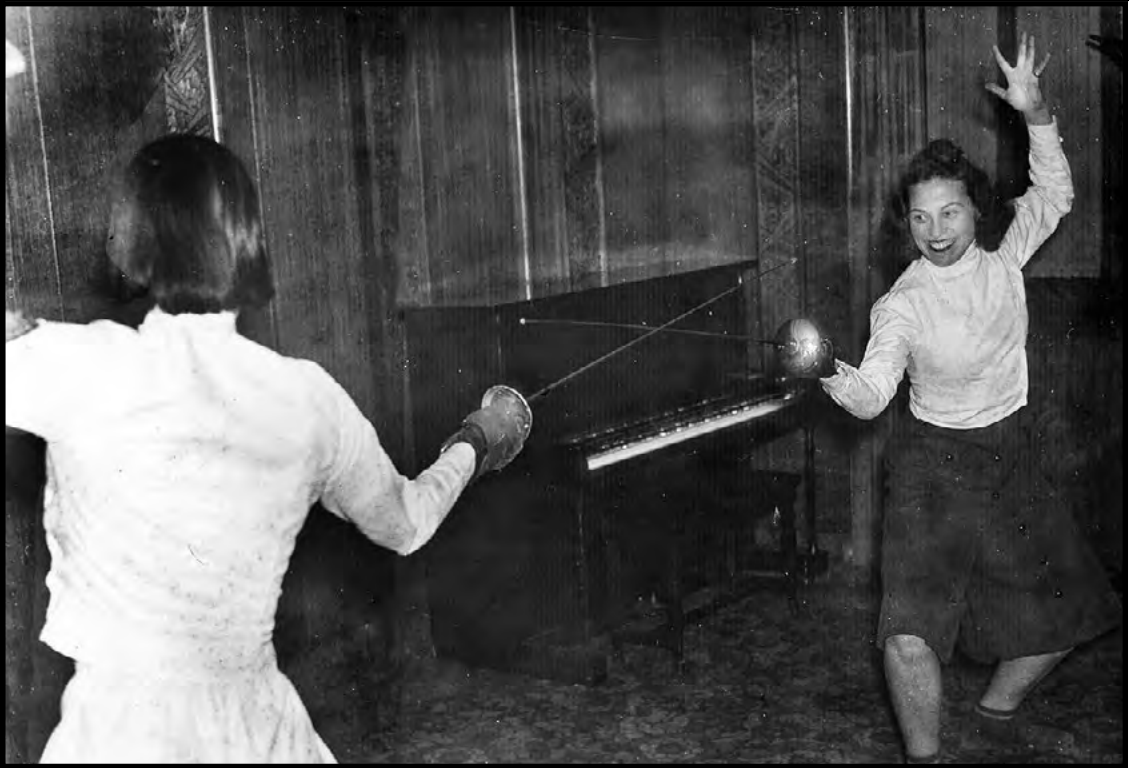
Novena to St. Anthony

O Holy St. Anthony, reach down from heaven and take hold of my hand. Assure me that I am not alone. You are known to possess miraculous powers and to be ever ready to speak for those in trouble. Loving and Gentle St. Anthony, reach down from heaven I implore you and assist me in my hour of need. Obtain for me (mention your request here.) Dearest St. Anthony, reach down from heaven and guide me with thy strength. Plead for me in my needs. And teach me to be humbly thankful as you were for all the bountiful blessings I am to receive. Amen. **M.D.P.**

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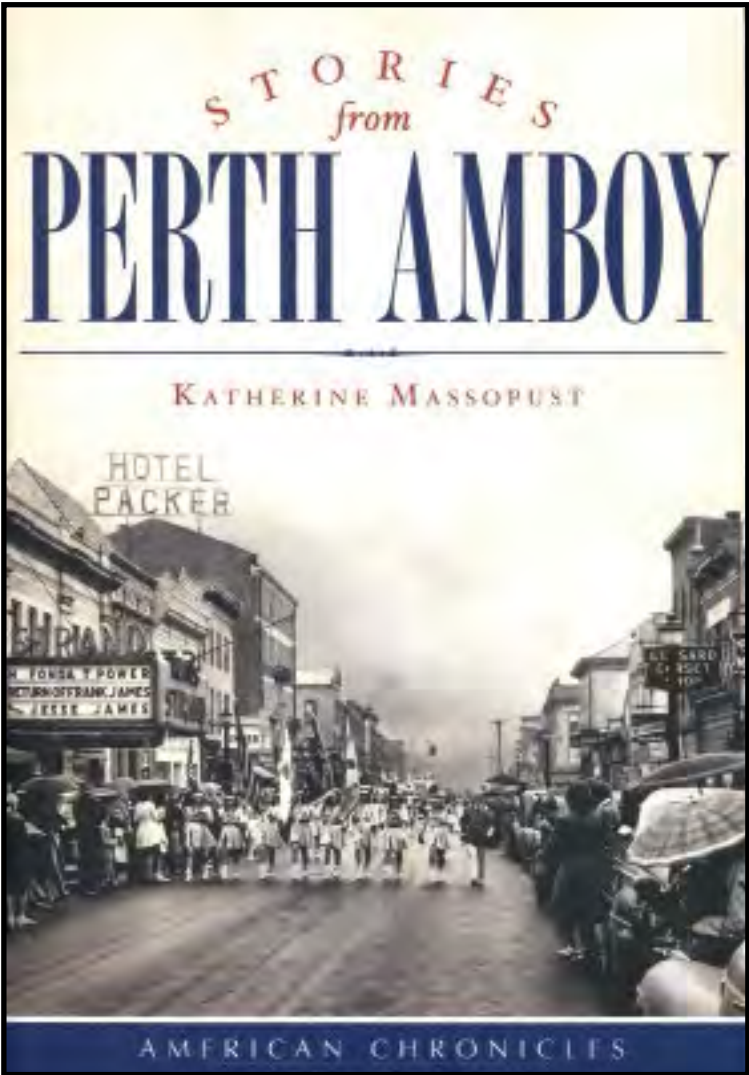
PERTH AMBOY - Recreation Department Circa 1950's. Two young women fencing.
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Senior Scene

Happenings

- Perth Amboy**
WED. Feb. 4 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 St.
THURS. Feb. 5 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
MON. Feb. 9 St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.
TUES. Feb. 10 Holy Spirit Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Church Hall, Brace Ave.
• Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.
WED. Feb. 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.
THURS. Feb. 12 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
- South Amboy**
WED. Feb. 11 South Amboy Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.
MON. Feb. 23 Sacred Heart Seniors, 12 Noon Memorial Hall, Wash Ave.
MON. Mar. 2 St. Mary's Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.

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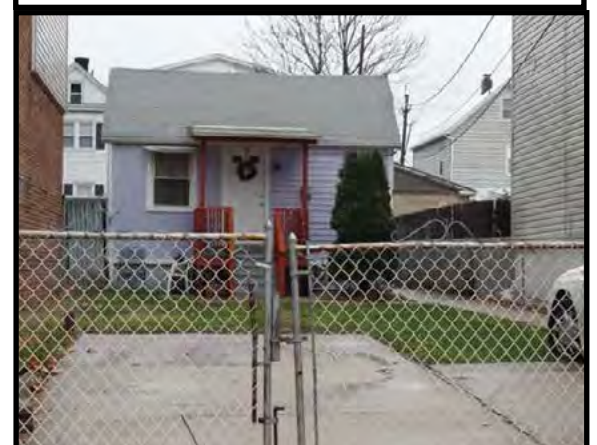
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