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Perth Amboy Waterfront Repairs Continue

PERTH AMBOY - The Business Administrator reported what will be done on the Waterfront. The City accepted the proposal by the Engineering Firm of Hatch Mott MacDonald. The amount was not to exceed \$399,000 for these improvements. The firm will continue to do improvements on the damaged areas of the Waterfront.

The work includes the South Pier, the Harbor and River Walk, insulation of bulkheads, seawalls and railings. Installation of sand dunes is also part of the package.



Photos show the Perth Amboy Waterfront that was destroyed by Hurricane Sandy shows signs of life every month
**Photos by Carolyn Maxwell*

South Amboy Moving Forward with Walkway Rebuild

By: Joseph L. Kuchie

SOUTH AMBOY - The South Amboy City Council took the first step in repairing the Waterfront Walkway at last Wednesday's meeting.

Councilwoman Zusette Dato "gladly" motioned that the bond ordinance to finance parts of the construction be taken up on first reading. The council unanimously approved the ordinance and it will now head to second reading and a public hearing.

The ordinance authorizes the issuance of \$1.98 million in city bonds that will finance part of the construction. FEMA will also reimburse nine percent of the rebuilding costs to the city.

Mayor Fred Henry was pleased with the bond ordinance and was eager to get the project moving.

"The council passed on first reading the first step in the process that will allow us to rebuild the walkway," he said during his opening comments. "It's been a long time coming...but we are finally getting things moved along."

The waterfront walkway had suffered damage from storms in the past, but nothing compared to the devastation that was caused by Hurricane Sandy. Rocks and water tore apart the once beautiful boardwalk



Councilwoman
Zusette Dato

area and boats piled ashore out from the marina.

According to the city's website, FEMA has committed to funding \$1.5 million for the restoration of the walkway and another \$400,000 for hazard mitigation. While construction is still a ways to go, this is a very positive first step in getting the walkway and seawall back together.

The council also adopted an ordinance that will prohibit smoking in parks and recreational areas owned by the city. Signs will be posted at every property and fines will be issued starting at \$50 for a first offense.

Councilman Mickey Gross was not in attendance. The next council meeting will be held on Aug. 21 at 7:00 p.m.

Eye and Ear Opener

Council President Joel Pabon Responds to Realtor Caba's Concerns



Business Administrator
Greg Fehrenbach



Council President
Joel Pabon



City Attorney
Mark Blunda

PERTH AMBOY - On the front cover of the June 26th issue of the Amboy Guardian Businessman and Realtor David Caba related a story of how one family he represented had to pay over \$8000 to prove they were the rightful owners of a property they bought. Another family had purchased a "deed" to the same property for \$10 which was sold to them by an unscrupulous party.

Businessman Greg Fehrenbach said, "The Police and

Code Enforcement could not determine who owned the property. Public Works, Code Enforcement, the Council and the Police had no authority over this matter. It took a judge to settle the matter."

At the July 10th meeting Pabon told Caba that what he said was "An Eye and Ear Opener."

Caba clarified some of the remarks said at a previous Council Meeting. Caba started out by telling City Attorney Mark Blunda how much he

respected him and that he is a good attorney and very professional. Caba said his client had no problem claiming the property. The City issued them the deed. The City Inspector told the people who were already on the property, "You are the owners."

Pabon said, "Let's work together to make this community better and to help educate people to be better informed."



PERTH AMBOY - Sidewalks are dug out in front of the Perth Amboy Public Library on Jefferson Street. This is part of the improvements needed before the main level can be reopened to the public.

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More than \$1.6
Million for
New Jersey Re-
employment
Programs
Calls for House
Republicans to
Pass Comprehensive
Jobs Bill**

News Release 7/16/13
LONG BRANCH - Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr. (NJ-06) announced \$1,687,439 to New Jersey for re-employment programs in the state that include personalized assessments and plans for individuals receiving unemployment benefits.

"It's outrageous that House Republicans have yet to pass a comprehensive jobs bill this Congress, but luckily this grant will provide personalized assistance to many New Jerseyans who are out of work," said Pallone. "While this funding and the re-employment program will be helpful to many unemployed New Jerseyans, it is ultimately too little, too late. Congress should be voting on legislation to grow the economy and create jobs, but instead House Republicans have already announced their plans to bring up legislation that undermines the benefits of the Affordable Care Act this week."

The funds from U.S. Department of Labor for New Jersey will be used to provide unemployment insurance beneficiaries with personalized, re-employment plans based on the claimant's career interests and the local labor market. These assessments are done in-person and participants will receive referrals to re-employment services and/or training provided by local American Job Centers or One-Stop Career Centers. These centers are located throughout New Jersey and designed to provide a full range of assistance to job seekers under one roof, offering training referrals, career counseling, job listings, and similar employment-related services. Customers can visit a center in person or connect to the center's information online.

Through this grant, the re-employment program also allows for a complete review of the claimants eligibility for unemployment insurance benefits to help reduce incidences of improper payments.

**ePort Logistics Center Ground breaking 6/26/13
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LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

EDITORIAL

Remembering Eddie Febles Sr.



Erinson (Eddie) and his wife, Inocencia (Ino)
*Photo Submitted

Eddie's mother probably had a difficult time birth when he was delivered. I believe he probably came out with a tool belt around his hips. Eddie was friends with my older siblings and I would often see him around Perth Amboy. About a year ago, when I was looking for an apartment, I saw a phone number in the local paper that listed apartments in the neighborhood I was looking to move into.

Eddie met me at the apartment, showed me around, but it wasn't quite what I was looking for.

Hy Tavern on High and Commerce Streets was one of the favorite places that Eddie liked to hang out. Most of the time when he was at the tavern, I saw him with his measuring tape out. Sometimes he would be making a slight renovation inside the place.

It was also a drop for our paper. One day Eddie happened to be at the tavern when I walked in and he asked if I had found an apartment yet. I told him no and then he mentioned that one of the tenants in his son's building was moving out and the apartment may be perfect for me.

When he opened the door, I was not sure if it was exactly what I wanted since I was currently in a larger space.

But then, he said those magic words that every girl wants to

hear (at least this girl). Those words were, "And you have your own washer and dryer," which was behind door number 3. That sealed the deal!

After talking to Eddie's son, the apartment was mine.

The first time I went to drop off the rent check to Eddie and Ino's place, she gave me a tour of their house. (which by the way is gorgeous) Ino told me that they had lived in Metuchen but Eddie always wanted to go back to Perth Amboy but she hesitated. Finally, he told her about this wonderful place that he had found in Amboy. She caved in and went to see it, but gave him an ultimatum. She told him that he would have to renovate the place to her specifications. When she pointed out all the work that he had done, I was in awe.

I asked her if he took before and after pictures. She told me, "No."

I told her from now on, whenever he did a major renovation like he did on their house, he should always show the magnificent work he's done.

Eddie and his wife, loved attending the pig roast at Hy Tavern. Some of those Roasts benefited those suffering from Cancer.

During the pig roast Eddie would be in the backyard of

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THE COMMUNITY VOICE

The Sanctity of Marriage

The recent Letters to the Editor Column has had a number of letters which distort the positions taken by Governor Christie.

The Governor has stated his opposition to same sex marriage because of his personal religious beliefs. Being raised as a Christian I too believe marriage was created

by God to unite one man and one woman in marriage for life. Because nine Appointed lawyers sitting on The U.S. Supreme Court decided to roll over in favor of the current liberal media it does not change the intention of God.

The U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate should pass laws which reinstate the previous definition of marriage. If those elected officials fail to or refuse to so act. Judeo/Christian Americans

should move for a Constitutional Amendment to accomplish this goal.

Marriage is too important a part of our society to allow the Supreme Court ruling to stand. All clergy, Christians and other people of faith must stand together to restore marriage to its proper place in society.

Respectfully,
Robert A. Brown

The School Bell Just Rang

Look at those happy faces. The School Bell rang for their summer vacation. Look at those smiling faces! This is what a happy kid looks like. Turn the pages back and try to remember those days.

School is out, summer is here and people come out of the houses after a long winter's nap. Yes my friends, the lazy, hazy good old days of summer are back. Warm weather opens the doors to more traffic and I'm talking about the traffic in our cities. More automobiles,

motorcycles, bicycles, skateboards, joggers, walkers and kids playing. If you are driving a car, slow down and crawl like a baby. If you are a pedestrian, be extra careful when crossing the street.

Some drivers are new behind the wheel and may have been just riding their bicycle a year ago. Some TV commercials show you how fast a car can go. Sure looks great but we are not testing cars on Main Street U.S.A. My question to all drivers is this, "Could you stop your car when that little kid runs out in front of you to get his ball?" I hope and pray that the answer is yes.

Take another look at these

happy kids again. Why not? Hey! The school bell rang and they are on summer vacation.

Some readers might remember a hit song that Frank Sinatra made famous back in the 1970's. It was called, "Summer Winds." Part of the that song said, "Will I see you in September or lose you to the Summer Winds?" Please drive carefully my friends because we want to see those happy kids back in September. The Summer Winds will come and go but we want our kids to come back and stay with us. Have a Happy and Safe Summer.

Thomas Francis Clark

The Magic Cure for High Property Taxes

Is there a magic cure for high property taxes? No, "consolidation" won't work. Those who claim that it will can't provide evidence for it. Will they ask for the 21 counties to be consolidated into fourteen counties? Today's news reports the bankruptcy of Detroit. After WW II this city expanded by consolidating with adjacent towns. Did that lower property taxes?

The causes of NJ's high property taxes is the 1947 state constitution. It created the most powerful governor in the nation by taking away powers from the citizens and the legislature. Generally speaking, a powerful ruler is associated with an oppressed people.

Specifically, it based property taxes on assessed value rather than true value (the selling price). Post-war inflation led to escalating property taxes, and migration to the suburbs. Under the 1844 state constitution there were no high property taxes, or a sales and income tax. The Assembly was elected yearly (to keep them in touch with the voters). The Senate and Governor had a three-year term. The Governor could not succeed himself. NJ bans its citizens from electing county District Attorneys and the Judiciary, unlike Pennsylvania and New York. It does not have "Initiative and Referendum" to expand people's First Amendment rights.

What is needed to cure high property taxes? I think we need a political party that will represent the citizens of NJ, not one that represents the big

landowners and corporations.

The increase in counties and municipalities since the 18th century occurred for the best reasons: the people voted for it. That is why a large township was divided into seven municipalities, and 13 counties were split into the present 21. The working definition of democracy is local control. The voters in a local area should know what is best for them, not the special interests who seek to tax and oppress the people. Just this year we've seen a governor try to sell off state assets to a private firm (owned by foreign interests). If "consolidation" works, why not consolidate with Pennsylvania? (Consolidating with New York could recreate the Dutch colony of Nieuw Amsterdam.)

Ronald A. Sobieraj

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THURS. Aug. 1	Historic Preservation Commission, 7 p.m. City Hall, High St.
MON. Aug. 12	City Council, Caucus 4:30 p.m. City Hall, High St.
TUES. Aug. 13	Library Board of Trustees, 5 p.m. City Hall, High St. UEZ, 6 p.m. City Hall, High St. BID, 7 p.m. City Hall, High St.
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the tavern playing cards. Ino would be on the porch having an enjoyable conversation with those in attendance.

Another favorite place of the Febles was the Barge Restaurant. When Hurricane Sandy hit, Eddie and others came to Alex's and Nick's rescue. The Barge was not just a restaurant to Eddie but like Hy Tavern, it was also his home.

When your home suffers damage, you want to get it up and running as quickly as possible. It is also a testament to Alex Vosinas and his employees of the friendship they have formed with their loyal customers.

During the renovation process of the Barge, you would see Eddie with his tools and measuring tape working with other volunteers.

Eddie loved his family and would often visit his mother in Puerto Rico.

Eddie and I would often tease each other. I remember one time when he came to my apartment to fix something. As he was finishing up, he called out to me, "Now don't bother me for a year!" I told him, "Oh, good that means I won't have to pay my rent for a year!" Because I would always call him to either pickup my rent check or when I was going to drop it off to him.

They say when you go to heaven, you finally get to rest. But I think God has other plans for him. He probably got one day off, then God said, "I have two projects for you: Eddie, I'm thinking about opening up two places. One would be a small, but quaint place where people can gather and have a refreshing drink. Perhaps we can call it the "Hyier Up Tavern." or perhaps "Hy Tavern" for a nickname. I'm thinking about naming the second place which would also be quaint but on a larger scale and we can have the most delicious food imaginable. I'm thinking about calling it, "The Barge Inn," or maybe just "The Barge" to shorten the name. So Eddie, I'm putting you in charge and I also have a special gift for you."

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My love to Eddie's immediate and extended family, RIP.
Carolyn Maxwell

Sciortino's Supports South Amboy YMCA At Proceeds Day Fundraiser
Sciortino's Harbor Lights gives back by supporting the Y's "Strong Kids" Program which provides scholarship assistance to local families

News Release

SOUTH AMBOY — Sciortino's Harbor Lights and the South Amboy Branch YMCA are excited to announce "Proceeds Day" benefitting the Y's "Strong Kids" Program. Proceeds Day will be held at Sciortino's on Thursday, July 25th from 11:30am – 11:30pm. Sciortino's has generously offered to donate 15% of all bills, dine-in only, to the Y's scholarship program when a Proceeds Day flyer is presented. The restaurant is located at 132 South Broadway in South Amboy.

Sciortino's Harbor Lights is a fourth generation family-run restaurant, and one of the oldest pizzerias in the country. Their brick oven pizzas and family style pasta are well known in the community, dating back to their restaurant in Perth Amboy. Owners Lou Seminski, Sr., and his son Lou Seminski, Jr., have established a sense of community pride at Sciortino's where all are invited to enjoy great company and great food. They are also recognized for their philanthropy to many local causes. "The YMCA has a long history of supporting families in the communities they serve, so it was natural for us to join this initiative

through Proceeds Day," said Lou Seminski, Jr.

The Y is one of the nation's leading nonprofits strengthening communities through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. Because we believe in giving back and providing support to our neighbors, no one is turned away for the inability to pay. In 2012, the YMCA of Metuchen, Edison, Woodbridge & South Amboy awarded over \$50,000 in scholarships through the "Strong Kids" Program. Last year, over \$20,000 of the money raised supported deserving families and individuals of South Amboy & Sayreville. With your support at Sciortino's Proceeds Day, we hope to give more families and individuals the chance to pursue their wellness goals and connect with the community through a Y membership.

More information about South Amboy Y's "Strong Kids" Campaign can be found by visiting www.ymcaofmews.org. Please call the Y at 732-553-9622 for more details about the Proceeds Day Fundraiser. Flyers are available at the South Amboy Y's Welcome Desk.

19th District Legislators Announce A Combined \$171,991 In NJdot-safe Corridor Grants For State Highways In Three Municipalities

News Release 7/8/13

19th LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT – Senator Joseph F. Vitale, Assemblyman John S. Wisniewski and Assemblyman Craig J. Coughlin are pleased to announce that the 19th Legislative District municipalities of Sayreville, South Amboy and Woodbridge will receive a combined \$171,991 in grants through New Jersey's Department of Transportation Safe Corridor Program which benefits local police departments in an effort to keep dangerous stretches of state highways safe for motorists. Specifically, the Police Departments of Sayreville and South Am-

boy will receive \$47,927.20 and \$25,176.95 respectively for traffic enforcement of Route 9. Woodbridge Police will receive the largest of the grants, \$98,887.77, for the heavily traveled Route 1 corridor.

Since 2003, the Safe Corridor Program targets highways with high crash rates by doubling fines in designated "Safe Corridors." The funding provided by these fines will be used towards enforcement equipment such as police vehicles, radar equipment, computer hardware and software. The law, P.L. 2003, c.131. was sponsored by Assemblyman Wisniewski.

South Amboy Elks Check Presentation

**Photo Submitted*



SOUTH AMBOY - South Amboy Elks Lodge 784's National Foundation Committee presented a certificate and check for \$2000.00, to American Legion Post No. 62, "SANDY RELIEF FUND" to help rebuild their home in South Amboy that was lost due to Super Storm Sandy. In the photo from L to R is, ER Joyce Medvor, Post Veteran Chair Phyllis Letteriello, Post Commander Bob (Zak) Sekertak, and Lodge National Foundation Chairman Valentine Tarr.

South Amboy Summer Concerts

SOUTH AMBOY - Free Concerts at Raritan Bay Waterfront Park located at O'Leary Boulevard starting in July. Concerts will start at 6:30 p.m. and end at 8:30 p.m. Call 732-745-3936 for more information.

Kidz Wii Club

SOUTH AMBOY - The Kidz Wii Club will meet every Monday at 1 p.m. at the Sadie Pope Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. For more info call 732-721-6060.

AHA Recognizes Raritan Bay Medical Center for Exceptional Heart Care

-Fourth Consecutive Year the Medical Center has received an Achievement Award

News Release 7/16/13

PERTH AMBOY- Raritan Bay Medical Center, with locations in Old Bridge and Perth Amboy, NJ, has received the Get With The Guidelines®-Heart Failure Gold Quality Achievement Award from the American Heart Association (AHA). The recognition signifies that the medical center has reached an aggressive goal of treating heart failure patients according to the guidelines of care recommended by the AHA/American College of Cardiology. This marks the fourth consecutive year that Raritan Bay Medical Center (RBMC) has been recognized with an achievement award.

"Our medical center is dedicated to ensuring our care for heart failure patients is among the best in the country," said RBMC, Senior Vice President, Medical Affairs Michael Ciencewiczki, MD. "We will continue our efforts and build off the success of this award by continuing to implement the Get With The Guidelines - Heart Failure program to improve quality of care, save lives and ultimately, reduce

healthcare costs by lowering the recurrence of heart attacks."

Get With The Guidelines-Heart Failure helps the medical center's staff develop and implement acute and secondary prevention processes to improve patient care and outcomes. The program provides RBMC with a web-based patient management tool, best practice discharge protocols and standing orders, along with a robust registry and real-time benchmarking capabilities to track performance.

"Recent studies show that patients treated in hospitals participating in the AHA's Get With The Guidelines-Heart Failure program receive a higher quality of care and may experience better outcomes," said Lee H. Schwamm, MD, chair of the Get With The Guidelines National Steering Committee and director of TeleStroke and Acute Stroke Services at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. "Raritan Bay Medical Center is to be commended for their commitment to improving the care of their patients."

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HUD Responds to Pallone's Call to Revise Provision that Kept New Jerseyans from Grants

News Release 7/16/13
 WASHINGTON, DC – Today, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) responded to Congressman Frank Pallone Jr.'s (NJ-06) call to revise a policy that has kept New Jerseyans impacted by Sandy from receiving Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) they were promised.

"This policy change is a victory for homeowners who were told to apply for SBA loans even though they may not have been able to afford the terms of the loan," said Pallone. "With this new policy, homeowners who declined SBA loans will now be eligible for critical CDBG grants that will enable them to rebuild and recover from this historic storm."

After Superstorm Sandy hit, HUD encouraged homeowners to apply for loans even if they were not certain if they wanted a loan. Many New Jersey residents could not afford

to repay the terms of a loan and therefore desperately need the assistance being offered through CDBG grants.

Prior to HUD's announcement today, the State felt that it did not have the ability to give CDBG grants to those who applied for SBA loans and declined the loan even though they needed CDBG funds. The HUD policy change announced today in response to a letter from Congressman Pallone sent July 12, 2013 gives New Jersey the flexibility to provide CDBG grants to those who declined SBA loans as long as the State identifies why the SBA loan was declined and establishes why CDBG assistance is appropriate for the applicant.

"Without the CDBG grants they needed, many New Jerseyans were faced with the decision between debt or not rebuilding. I'm relieved that HUD responded to my concerns and has revised this unfair policy," added Pallone.

Cardinal McCarrick/St. Mary's High School Golf Outing Planned For Sept. 9, 2013

News Release 7/2013
 SOUTH AMBOY – September 9th is the date for the 4th Annual Golf Outing benefiting Cardinal McCarrick/St. Mary's High School at Glenwood Country Club in Old Bridge, NJ.

Golfers will tee up at 9:30 AM that Monday for a fee of \$125 which is all-inclusive from breakfast, box lunches to a full dinner reception provided courtesy of the Ria Mar Restaurant and on-course beverages. Cart and green fees are included. Sponsorships start at \$100 with promotional benefits.

Proceeds from this event provide financial aid to needy students, strengthen the excellence of school programs, maintain facilities and increase athletic and extra-curricular programs. For more info, call 732-721-0748 ext. 243 or register online at www.CardinalMcCarrick.com by September 14th. All are welcome.

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Women's Open Center of Middlesex County

PERTH AMBOY - Join the Women's Open Center of Middlesex County in creating a Women's Community Center. A place where we can share, develop, and grow ideas. A place where we can educate and be educated. Where we can share information, have mentors and be mentors. Where we can make a difference in our lives and in the lives of others to serve a greater purpose. Let's grow together. Wednesday, July 24th at 6 p.m. at: Salvation Army, 433 State St (Entrance on Washington Ave.), Perth Amboy.

Fundraising BBQ

SAYREVILLE - The Sayreville United Methodist Church at 406 Main Street, Sayreville will be having a fundraising barbecue on Saturday, August 17 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The cost is Adults: \$10, Seniors/Students: \$8, Children under 12: \$5. The dinner includes Choice of Chicken or Hamburgers or Hot Dogs plus Salad, Corn on the Cob, Beverage and Dessert. In support of our fundraising efforts, there will be a Silent Auction. BBQ Ribs and additional Baked Goods will be available for purchase. For questions or additional tickets, please contact Christine Glace at (732)613-8768.

Fun Times at Perth Amboy High!

PERTH AMBOY - Perth Amboy High School All Alumni Picnic Saturday, August 10 from 12 Noon to 6 p.m. William Warren park, Woodbridge. A fun time for all classmates to share their stories of growing up in Perth Amboy from the past to the present! Bring your photos for everyone to enjoy! Call your class presidents and classmates & get your tickets! (hurry- limited to 300 people). Accepting donations for local food pantry. (non perishables or cash donations) Contact: Donna 732-535-2677 or Kyle 732-439-3145 for ticket information

Wisniewski, Prieto, Moriarty & Conaway "Nikki's Law" to Erect Signage on Roadways Promoting No Texting, While Driving Law Gets Final Legislative OK

News Release 6/21/13

TRENTON - Legislation sponsored by Assembly Democrats John Wisniewski, Vincent Prieto, Paul Moriarty and Herb Conaway, Jr. to erect signage warning motorists that text messaging while driving is prohibited under state law received final legislative approval Thursday and now heads to the governor's desk.

The bill, designated "Nikki's Law", is named after Nikki Kellenyi, an 18-year old National Honor Society for Business student and champion equestrian from Washington Township, NJ who tragically died in an automobile accident in 2012.

"The typical text message takes 4.6 seconds - that would be the equivalent of driving a car blind at 55 mph the entire

length of a football field," said Wisniewski (D-Middlesex), who chairs the Assembly Transportation, Public Works and Independent Authorities. "A quick look away while driving may seem minor, but it can be fatal. This bill honors Nikki's memory and will hopefully help save others by reminding drivers that current state law prohibits texting while driving."

The bill (A-3873/S-2406) requires the Commissioner of Transportation, in consultation with the Director of the Division of Highway Traffic Safety in the Department of Law and Public Safety, to erect appropriate signage and use variable message signs, informing motorists that text messaging and sending electronic messages via wireless telephone or elec-

tronic communication device while driving is prohibited under state law. The bill would take effect immediately.

"Many people fail to realize the great risk they take when they look away from the road for even just a few seconds to respond or send a text message," said Prieto (D-Bergen/Hudson). "Some may not even be aware that under state law texting while driving is a crime. Having signage reminding drivers that texting while driving is illegal will hopefully help curb this dangerous behavior."

"According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, text messaging creates a crash risk 23 times worse than driving while not distracted. Your life is not worth a text message,"

said Moriarty (D-Camden/Gloucester). "We passed a law prohibiting this behavior. Erecting signage reminding motorists that texting is not only dangerous, but illegal is the next logical step."

"Texting while driving does not only endanger the driver, but the driver's passengers and other motorists on the road," said Conaway (D-Burlington). "There is no text message worth dying for. Seeing signage on the road pushing the message that texting while driving is illegal will hopefully make drivers think twice about taking their eyes off the road to respond to a text on their phone."

The bill was approved 74-0 by the Assembly in March, and 39-0 by the Senate on Thursday.


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Author Visit

PERTH AMBOY - The Friends of the Perth Amboy Free Public Library are proud to announce their hosting of their first author visit to the Perth Amboy Free Public Library. To “encourage the love of reading and independent learning” is just one of what “Friends of Libraries” do.

Artie Bennett, a children’s author of *The Butt Book* and *Poopendous* will be at the satellite site of the Perth Amboy Free Public Library on Wednesday, August 7, 2013 at 11 a.m. His books are funny, informative and well reviewed and geared toward 3 to 6 year old children. His books will be available for sale and autographing. Barbara Sottilaro, a retired school librarian, met Mr. Bennett at a New Jersey Association of School Librarians conference and purchased his books for her grandson who loved them.

While the event is free, due to limited space, we are asking parents to register their intention to attend so that they and their children can be accommodated comfortably. Please call Barbara at 732-826-9466 or Linda at 732-826-6794.

Connections Program Seeks Volunteers

MIDDLESEX COUNTY - The Connections Program of Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen, a voluntary child to adult match program is seeking adult volunteers to provide a positive friend relationship to children and youth that has suffered a loss or has special needs. These children reside in Middlesex County and Franklin Township and are in desperate need of a positive role model. Adult Volunteers of all backgrounds are being sought to make a difference in the lives of children and youth through one-to-one activities.

Any individual 18 years old or older, of any ethnic, religious or economic background, who is interested in making a positive impact on a child’s life is eligible to become an adult volunteer mentor.

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

If any questions, you can reach us at (732)738-1323; once again we appreciate your consideration. Thank you and have a great day!

Visiting Softball Team from Puerto Rico tours Kearny Cottage

**Photos by Paul W. Wang*



Touring the outside of the Cottage



Posing for a group photo

Tennis Courts Under Construction

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Christmas in July, Good Shepherd Parish, Holy Spirit Church

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Creative Writing at Sayreville Library



By: Beverly Samuleson
 SAYREVILLE - Sayreville’s library is a hub of literary activity. At the Creative Writing Seminar, South Amboy author Beverly Samuelson spoke about her new book “The Eyes of Greed” and how to begin writing. The attendees at the session are all eager to start writing their first novel. The group is comprised of writers from biographies, mysteries, to poetry.
 The afternoon was full of informative information a writer needs to begin writing their first novel. Great questions were asked by the group and all left with much needed information to get started. Beverly suggested several writing seminars to attend and encouraged the group to pursue their dream of writing. She also spoke of the writing group she belongs to “Sisters in Crime – Central Jersey Chapter, which is comprised of published writers and writers wanting to be published.

All in all it was a great seminar with a lot of information for the group to start writing their first novel. Beverly said “This is a very enthusiastic group and I’m sure within the next year we will be seeing many new Best Sellers on the shelves!”

*Photo by Aaron Beers

Rep. Pallone Secures \$4.3 Million for Constituents So Far This Year

Responded to over 4,000 constituent concerns and assisted more than 750 constituents

News Release 7/19/13
 LONG BRANCH – Today, Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr. (NJ-06) announced that he has helped secure \$4,325,055 so far in 2013 for constituents seeking help through his district office. This assistance includes Sandy related FEMA grants and SBA loans, Social Security payments and other compensations that residents of the 6th Congressional District required help to secure. In addition, Congressman Pallone responded to over 4,250 constituent concerns related to policy and legislation through the mail, email and personal phone calls, and reached constituents through two tele-townhalls and countless community events this year.

“Whether constituents have a concern about a federal pol-

icy or need assistance navigating the federal bureaucracy, I want them to know we’re here to help,” said Congressman Pallone. “I am grateful that so many residents of the 6th District have turned to us for assistance, especially as we work to recover and rebuild from Sandy together, and I hope that they continue to use my office as a resource.”

In all, Congressman Pallone assisted more than 750 individual constituents with cases before the federal government so far in 2013, and wrote numerous letters of support for grants in the district.

“I consider direct constituent service a top priority,” added Congressman Pallone. “I always appreciate hearing from my constituents, and I encourage them to stay in touch.”

Rep. Pallone Announces More than \$1 Million to Repair Bayshore Sewerage Facilities

News Release 7/18/13
 WASHINGTON, DC – Today, Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr. (NJ-06) announced \$1,036,717 in Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funding to Bayshore Regional Sewerage Authority (BRSA) to repair Superstorm Sandy damage to three of their facilities: the Main Pump Station, the Maintenance Building, and the Grit Facility.

“Sandy severely damaged critical components of infrastructure at BRSA, and this grant will help make very important repairs affecting the Bayshore’s sewerage system, including disinfecting parts of the facilities, fixing and

replacing pumps, other machinery and electric circuits,” said Pallone. “While this grant represents only a portion of the cost that BRSA incurred from the storm, I will continue to work to see that they receive the funds they need.”

BRSA serves Hazlet, Union Beach, Holmdel, Aberdeen, Keansburg, Keyport, Matawan and parts of Marlboro. BRSA suffered extensive flooding as a result of Sandy causing damages of \$20 million. This grant to BRSA is awarded in addition to a \$2.4 million FEMA grant announced in February of this year to repair damage done to the raw sewage main pump station.

Pallone Announces More than \$59 Million to Clear Debris from NJ Waterways

News Release 7/16/13
 WASHINGTON, DC – Today, Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr. (NJ-06) announced \$59,741,909 in new Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funding to reimburse the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) for the use of contractors to remove an estimated 850,000 cubic yards of sand and other sediment from waterways in the central region of the state. The additional sand and sediment as a result of Superstorm Sandy were potential threats to navigation in the waterways.

“Getting New Jersey back to pre-Sandy conditions remains my number one priority,” said Pallone. “The state faced so

many unanticipated costs after Sandy, and it is necessary that FEMA help cover the costs after such a statewide emergency. New Jersey’s navigable waterways are used for commerce, travel, and leisure, and I’m pleased that this very sizable grant will help in removing threatening or impassable blocks.”

This FEMA grant covers 90% of the entire project, which includes the removal of sand and sediment that may block the waterways and verification that the waterways are not longer threatened with debris. All debris will be recycled or disposed of in accordance with local, state, and federal guidelines.

Vendors Wanted

WOODBIDGE - Outside Flea Market Saturday 8/17/13 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (8/18/13 Rain Date) Sponsored by Access Self Storage, 135 Amboy Ave., Woodbridge to benefit homeless animals. \$10 donation for each 10 x 10 space. (Tables not provided). Contact Judy after 5 p.m. 732-850-2184. Music, refreshments, hourly prize drawings plus special vendor door prize. All proceeds donated to Woodbridge Animal Shelter Volunteers.

Advisory: Attention

PERTH AMBOY - Volunteers from World Renew will be in Middlesex County beginning Wednesday, July 10 - July 23, 2013 to do Long Term Recovery Assessments with Middlesex County residents affected by Superstorm Sandy. This is an opportunity to request help for your recovery needs. For additional information and/or to set-up a visit for your assessment, please call: (732)-390-7074.

Flea Market

SAYREVILLE - The Ladies Auxiliary of Sayreville #4699 of Jernee Mills Road is having a Flea Market on August 24 at 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. for \$15 a space. There is a rain date on August 25 at 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. This flea market is to help find a cure for Cancer and to help aid our members and veterans in our community. For more information or to reserve a space please call Lorraine Rock at 609-448-2587.

Trip to Mets Game

SOUTH AMBOY - South Amboy Knights of Columbus Council 426 sponsors an outing to beautiful Citi Field to see the Mets battle the American League Champion Detroit Tigers with Triple Crown winner and MVP Miguel Cabrera, All Star Prince Fielder, and former Cy young award winner Justin Verlander in a 1:10 p.m. game on Sunday, August 25. There is a cost of \$70 which includes Tom Seaver All Star Bobblehead Doll, roundtrip motorcoach transportation, voucher for hamburger, or hot dog, or pizza, fries and soda. Snacks and beverages available at the Council Home on 308 Fourth St. Motorcoach leaves for the ballpark at 9:45 a.m. For reservations call Steve at 732-727-1707.

Patrick Miller: An Original Achilles Kid

By: Vilma Novak

PERTH AMBOY - You may have seen him around town, walking to the pizza place or walking to the park; you may not have seen him on his way to Central Park, NYC, where he goes two or three times a week to run with Achilles International or the NY Road Runners Club. Well he's Patrick Miller a remarkable fellow with an unfettered determination to rise above his perceived physical limitations. Why is he remarkable? Well, you see, Patrick was born with Cerebral Palsy and when he was very young his doctors told him he would always need a wheelchair to get around. Patrick and his mother, Ila, didn't accept that determination as an absolute truth. Ila encouraged Patrick to be independent and taught him that he could do what he wants to do if he put his mind to it so Patrick decided to figure out how to get around without the need of a wheelchair. He figured it out and hasn't used one in more than 10 years. Patrick got out of his wheelchair and onto a walker using leg braces for support. The doctors told Patrick he would always need leg braces, again the truth of the assertion was questioned and

Patrick found that he didn't need to use braces at all. Patrick didn't stop there, he was aware of Achilles International a running/walking club whose mission it is to "enable people with all types of disabilities to participate in mainstream athletics in order to promote personal achievement, enhance self-esteem, and lower barriers to living a fulfilling life." His mother discovered Achilles International when Patrick was 12 years old and Patrick joined them for a while. Achilles is affiliated with NY Road Runners whose members gather in Central Park to practice a couple of days a week every week in all kinds of weather. Patrick reconnected with Achilles in January of 2012 and has since lost more than 60 lbs. He has participated in many races including the New York Half-Marathon. He is one of Achilles' most dedicated athletes and will be a speaker at their annual "Hope and Possibility" banquet at the end of June. This is what Achilles International has written about Patrick on their webpage:

"Patrick Miller is an original Achilles kid. Lucky for us, decades after his first race with Achilles he returned to us

in January 2012. He embodies the true Achilles spirit - never missing a workout regardless of the weather and persevering through his races right until he triumphantly crosses that finish line. Patrick is an incredible addition to our Achilles family and we just can't imagine Central Park workouts without him!"

Patrick is enrolled to run in this year's November 3, New York City Marathon with "Team Run as One" of the LUNgevity Foundation, an organization that raises funds for innovative research into earlier detection of lung cancer and more effective treatments. If you would like to help Patrick raise funds for this cause you can do so by mailing your donation, please make your check payable to LUNgevity Foundation, and include Patrick Miller's name in the memo line on the check. Mail the check to:
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Movie Review: The Lone Ranger



By: Anton Massopust III

"There are times (good friend) when good men must wear a mask."

The legendary masked man rides again with his trusty friend Tonto in this new version of the old classic, THE LONE RANGER. Arnie Hammer plays the legendary masked hero. If you don't know the classic radio story or the old television shows starring Clayton Moore, in this new version, The Lone Ranger is a young lawyer headed west to reunite with his brother. After a daring train escape, Butch Cavendish, goes on the run when John (The Lone Ranger) is deputized by his brother to go after Butch and bring him to justice. They are ambushed in a canyon by one of their own posse and left for dead. An Indian warrior named Tonto, played by Johnny Depp, helps the Lone Ranger when he finds him alive, and makes him a black mask to help hide his identity so he can stay alive. Together they form a partnership to bring Cavendish in, but our young hero is finding that it is not that easy to maintain this partnership and work together. John has to learn how to become a hero and Tonto must learn the difference between justice and revenge.

I am going to go out on a limb here and speak my mind.

I really loved this movie; it was great! It had everything an old fashioned Wild West movie has: trains, ruthless outlaws, lawless towns with saloons and jails, beautiful scenery, and a really good understanding of American Indians. It portrays Native Americans in a very positive light. I especially loved the scene where the Lone Ranger pleads with the Indian Chief for not going to war against the American Cavalry, and the Chief says, "It does not matter now; we are all ghosts." Hammer is learning to become a hero in this story; his performance is good but a bit goofy. However, I think in a sequel, we will see him play his character much better. The great Johnny Depp - what can we say about him? He takes a legendary character and breathes new life into Tonto. We come to understand where he is from and learn about Native American mysticism and ideals. I love Tonto's costume; it is terrific. Don't take the little tykes to see this as there is a bit too much blood and violence, but older kids could handle this. Little ones would enjoy the old television show a lot more in my estimation.

I give this movie an "A", although there are a number of flaws here and there. Go and see it!

qualifications for these big-ticket items are very specific, so you would be smart to consult a tax professional before launching such a project. But large-scale energy upgrades aren't limited to just businesses. Individuals can receive a credit of 30% of the cost to upgrade their home with a qualified geothermal heat pump, solar electricity generator, or wind harnessing device. Eligible costs can include labor and site preparation in addition to the equipment. What's more, the credit

for these types of projects is available for vacation homes too. And there is no lifetime limit, so the bigger project, the bigger the saving. Again, check all the rules to qualify. Recordkeeping plays an important role in claiming these tax credits, so be sure to obtain all manufacturer certifications for the equipment you buy and keep all records of expenditures made. If an energy-saving project is on your mind, contact our office for the latest rules.

Tax Facts

Paperwork: Should You Keep It Or Shred It?

Courtesy of Tom Ploskanka
Confused about managing paperwork? Here are some tips that will help you keep what's important and toss what you no longer need.

1. Tax records. Keep tax records for at least seven years. Tax records include copies of income tax returns, documents supporting your reported income and deductions (W-2s, 1099s, receipts for claimed deductions, etc.) and proof of timely filing. Although the normal statute of limitations for an IRS audit is three years, the open period will double if the agency believes your gross income was understated by more than 25 percent. This six-year period doesn't begin at the end of the earliest year filed; it starts at the later of the earliest return's due date or the date it was filed.

2. Miscellaneous. Retain your paycheck stubs throughout the year until you've received your W-2 and reconciled it to the stubs. Discard credit card statements after 12 months, unless they support a tax deduction or a major purchase. Keep ATM receipts and bank

deposit slips until the transactions show up in your account statement. Do the same with credit card receipts, unless you might return the item or need proof of purchase for warranty or other purposes.

3. Large purchases. Retain records for large purchases as long as you own the items. Records of real estate purchases and improvements should be kept as long as you own the property, plus seven years after disposition. The same is true for records of investments such as stocks and mutual funds, including purchases, dividends, dividend reinvestments, and related expenses.

4. Electronic records. Electronic records are generally considered legally valid, so you can scan tax returns, receipts, and other paper documents and retain them in electronic formats. Store these records as PDFs, on external hard drives, or on a website, but be sure to maintain copies in at least two formats.

Finally, to avoid becoming a victim of identity theft, shred obsolete records rather than tossing them.

Energy Tax Credits Still Available To

Savvy Taxpayers

Courtesy of Tom Ploskanka
Generous tax credits resulting from energy-saving purchases are still available to taxpayers, even after the so-called fiscal cliff legislation passed earlier this year.

On the low end of the spectrum, homeowners can receive a tax credit equal to 10% of the cost to upgrade their windows, doors, and other energy efficient household items. On a grander scale, you can receive a credit for major purchases such as air conditioners, furnaces, biomass stoves, and special metal roofs. The maximum lifetime credit is generally \$500, but some items are capped at a lower amount. For instance, windows are maxed out at \$200 and furnaces at \$150. Air conditioners limit out at \$300.

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Bingo and Auction

PERTH AMBOY - 1st Wednesday's of the Month - Community Breakfast & Bingo 2nd Floor Dayroom - 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. at Alameda Center. 303 Elm Street, Perth Amboy. 3rd Wednesdays of Month - Community Auction & Snacks. 2nd Floor Dayroom - 2:00pm. Both events are open to the public. For more info call 732-442-9540. Please RSVP to Amy or Gladys at ext. 7733.

Plays in the Park

EDISON - Spamalat, Wednesday, July 17 through Saturday, July 27 - No Sundays - 8:30 p.m. Adults - \$7, Senior Citizens - \$5, Children 12 and Under Free. 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.

Senior Scene

Happenings

Perth Amboy

- WED. Jul. 24 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. Jul. 25 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
- MON. Jul. 29 St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.
- TUES. Jul. 30 Holy Spirit Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Church Hall, Brace Ave.
- Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.
- WED. Jul. 31 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.

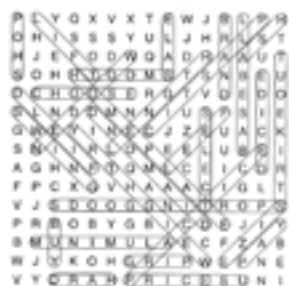
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- MON. Aug. 5 St. Mary's Seniors, noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.
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LOOKING BACK



PERTH AMBOY - Preparing for Parade on High Street in front of Governor Larson's House. Early 1940's (probably July)
*Photo Courtesy of Perth Amboy Free Pubic Library
This Photo was restored under a grant for the Kearny Cottage Archiving project by the Middlesex Cultural and Heritage Commission

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 732-72 1-6060.

Edison AARP Chapter 3446

EDISON - Edison AARP Chapter 3446 is sponsoring a Cape Cod package with whale watching on September 24-27. For information & reservations call Bob at 732-885-1789. For information on next seasons shows at the Paper Mill Playhouse call Doris at 732-603-8788. October 7 - Honeymoon in Vegas, December 19 - Oliver, April 24 - South Pacific, June 12 - Grease. All programs are open to non-members. For additional information visit our website at edisonaarp.org.

Woodbridge Wednesdays

WOODBIDGE - Enjoy Great Music "Under the Stars" or "On the Lawn". Bring out your lawn chair and relax with live music every Wednesday. Showtime at 7:30 at Parker Press Park. FREE ADMISSION with a donation of a non-perishable food item for "We Feed Woodbridge Food Bank." Visit the Woodbridge Farmer's Market Jersey Fresh Produce, Baked Goods, BBQ, Beer & Wine Garden from 3 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Parker Press Park, Rahway Avenue and Main Street. Free parking at NJT Parking Lot. For Inclement weather call the hotline at 732-602-6045. July 24 Alexis P. Suter Band will perform., July 31 Tall Heights will perform.

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Prayer to St. Joseph for Employment

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Looking for Basketball Players and Facility

STATEN ISLAND - Samuel Jimenez, president of a basketball league over in Staten Island, NY. He is very interested in talking to someone that can help him use a facility to create a basketball league for youths and adults. He does his best as a franchise to keep these kids in church and out of the streets. That is his main goal. They would be highly appreciated something can be arranged so they can get more young adults and youths to enjoy being in a basketball league. For more info call 732-306-9943

PASOS

PERTH AMBOY - A new Athletic and Educational program has come to Perth Amboy. PASOS will offer athletic training and participation in a variety of sports (i.e., volleyball (indoor and outdoor), basketball and indoor soccer). Additionally it will also become a center for martial arts instruction AND dance (ballet, hip hop, et al). This venture was created by Francisco Casado, former Head Volleyball Coach at Georgian Court University and New Jersey's most successful college volleyball Coach. This organization has already constructed three new volleyball courts on the Perth Amboy Waterfront Beach, and has indoor facilities across Sadowski Parkway in the Saint Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church Gymnasium building. Although a number of programs have already begun, on Saturday, July 13, PASOS will hold its official Open House and hopes that you will be there to celebrate this new venture with us.

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.*

Antique & Classic Car Show and Flea Market

SOUTH AMBOY - Independence Fire House, 140 North Broadway, South Amboy presents the Antique & Classic Car Show and Flea Market. Vans, Race Cars, 4x4's & Bikes welcome! Sunday, August 4, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Rain Date: Sunday August 11. 50's Music By Jukebox Jimmy. BJack-top Parking, Sponsor Award Trophies, Chiers Trophy, No Judging of Vehicles, Mayor's Trophy, Fans Choice of Trophies. *Due to the economy we are lowering our price to \$5 for early registrants!!* Advanced Entry Fee \$5 per Vehicle I Day of Show Entry \$15 Pre-Registration Deadline: July 31. Bud & Bud Light Cups \$1 for Vehicle Entrants ALL DAY! - Provided By The Landmark Tavern. WANTED Vendors / Craft Vendors, Early Entry \$20, Day of Show Entry \$25. Come Watch Our Irish Dancers. For More Information call Mike at (908)930-3497 or email MTOTH1@OPTONLINE.NET

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PERTH AMBOY – Be your own boss, very busy grocery store with a gross of 250K per year lottery 16K per week. Lease \$2,250 with a 5% increase per year until 2026, electricity \$7,800K, insurance \$1,200K and gas \$600. Inventory for sale separately. **\$135,000**



PERTH AMBOY – Doctors, this is beautiful turnkey state of the art brand new Doctor’s office two blocks from Raritan Bay Medical Center A/C, \$2,500 per month plus utilities including water and sewer. Off street parking, 4 private exam rooms, reception area, basement for storage and much more. **\$2,500/mo rent.**



PERTH AMBOY- Calling all investor. Fully rented, bring offer. Seller willing to negotiate!!!!Showing week-day after 5:30 p.m. and weekdays 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.!!!!!!!!! **\$249,000**



PERTH AMBOY – Excellent opportunity, great location close to high school, central A/C, lots of parking spaces and much more. Buyer is resp. for all repairs, smoke cert., termite cert. It is being sold strictly in “AS IS” condition. **\$159,000**



PERTH AMBOY – Surprise, nice investment or 1st home with incoming producing unit. Everything down to the water is separated. Very well maintained property with long term tenants. A “must see!!!!” **\$269,900**