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Perth Amboy City & Caucus Meeting 9/9/13 *Quality of Life Issues Discussed* *Residency Waiver Still Being Kicked Around*

PERTH AMBOY - Residents Stanley Sierakowski and Fernando Gonzalez were concerned about quality of life issues in the City.

Sierakowski said he spoke on behalf of residents, especially in the Waterfront area. They were concerned about loud noise, music and cars parking in their driveways during the many festivals taking place in the area.

Council President Joel Pabon said, "We need to form a committee to meet with festival committee members to address the concerns of residents where festivals are held."

"Where I live, I can hear loud music being played 5 houses away between 7 and 9 p.m. Cars double park with their windows open blasting music are a problem. Give the cops the authority to have drivers lower their music or

they can be issued tickets."

Fernando Gonzalez was surprised to see signs on the public bathrooms at the Waterfront boat harbor restricting the use to the public. The sign says that bathrooms are for use only for boat owners that rent docks in the pier. "There are port-a-potties but they are not being cleaned enough. I have seen people urinating underneath the piers. We need more bathroom facilities." The bathrooms are presently locked and only the renters have a key.

When Fernando Gonzalez was a City Councilman, he spoke several times about employees of the City of Perth Amboy should be required to reside here. This issue came up again when a Perth Amboy Municipal Court Administrator, Jennifer Ingenito requested the Council to extend her waiver of residency to

12/31/13.

Councilwoman Lisa Nanton and Councilman Kenneth Gonzalez were against this extension. Kenneth Gonzalez stated that other municipalities have had Certified Interim Court Administrators.

Council President Joel Pabon was concerned if the Council authorized the waiver to 12/31/13 as requested by this Municipal Court Administrator would cause a problem to others who might ask for the same treatment.

Resident Fernando Gonzalez stated that six months is adequate time for an employee to move into the city.

The city employee was granted the additional time to move into Perth Amboy.

An irritated Councilman K. Gonzalez asked City Attorney Mark Blunda to invoke a Rice Clause in this matter.

Bulk Waste Ordinance Raises Concerns in South Amboy



City Clerk
Kathleen Vigilante



City Attorney
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By: Joseph L. Kuchie
SOUTH AMBOY - Local residents at last week's city council meeting discussed an ordinance amending the South Amboy city code for garbage and refuse

The new ordinance added conditions on the collection of bulk waste and white goods. This included scheduling pickups for the waste, new identification tags issued from the city, and the fine for violating the new ordinance.

Resident Stanley Jankowski of John Street was concerned about the limit placed on free bulk items being put to the curb. Residents will annually receive four identification tags to place on bulk items that will be taken at no charge, but there will be a charge of \$25 per item after the four are used.

"Four bulk waste items could be three televisions and a computer...you're going to have a problem with a lot of this stuff I can tell you right now," Jankowski said. "You can only use four a year? That's going to be a problem I can see it."

The council pointed out in the ordinance that bulk items can be dropped off at the Department of Public Works at no charge. Part "E" of Section 79-20 reads:

"There shall be no charge for

bulk waste items dropped off by the resident at the Department of Public Works, located at South Broadway, South Amboy, New Jersey. This service shall be limited to the 3rd Saturday of each month, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. and no special identification tags shall be required for this service."

Eileen Ryan of Bertram Avenue, who owns and rents properties in South Amboy, asked about the pick-up appointments and who was responsible for the garbage left on the street. The ordinance reads that the residential landowner shall be obligated for compliance of pickup, but Ryan believed the ordinance should have more detail.

"I own a home and I rent. Two of them left in the middle of the night and left the whole street loaded...Are we going to fine him? I don't interpret that here," Ryan said. "I hear that he's responsible, but I don't see anything that says we gave you a warning...why should we pick up the garbage left behind by tenants that ran out in the middle of the night? There's nothing written what their obligation is."

Council President Joseph

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Prayer Awareness March on the Victory Bridge in Perth Amboy, Saturday, 9/21/13

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Connors later said that this amendment was "a start" and Mayor Fred Henry added the council "could always tweak it if necessary"

After the public hearing concluded the council voted unanimously to pass the ordinance and send it to Mayor Henry for his approval.

Mayor Henry also congratulated South Amboy's fire department for taking home a number of trophies and awards in Wildwood at the Firemen's Convention. He also praised the American Legion and Elks Club for their 9/11 ceremonies on the anniversary of the attacks.

The next city council meeting will be held on Oct. 16 at 7:00 p.m.

South Amboy Rejects All Bids on Walkway Restoration

By: Joseph L. Kuchie

SOUTH AMBOY - A resolution listed in the consent agenda of last week's city council meeting rejected all bids for the South Amboy Waterfront Walkway reconstruction project.

According to the document, City Engineer Mark Rasimowicz performed a technical review of the bid packages from several bidders and recommended that they all be rejected.

Rasimowicz also recommended that the city authorize the re-bid of the project

and it would be in the best interest of South Amboy to reject all the current offers on the table.

Mayor Henry acknowledged the project during his opening comments.

"Unfortunately there were some discrepancies so we had to reject the bids and, unfortunately, we have to go out to re-bid this project," he said. "We do have 90 percent of this being paid by FEMA so even though we did go out to bond for this project we will be able to pay that bond back very quickly."

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Citizen's Campaign Launches Bay City Conversations



Citizen's Campaign Co-Founder & Chair Harry Pozycki



Citizen's Campaign Meeting Attendees
*Photos by Katherine Massopust

By: Katherine Massopust
PERTH AMBOY - The Citizen's Campaign Co-Founder and Chair, Harry Pozycki welcomed over fifty attendees of the Citizen's Campaign Meeting as they launched Bay City Conversations at the Terrazza Restaurant, Perth Amboy this Thursday, September 19, 2013. The Citizen's Campaign is a nonpartisan group that helps people to be citizen leaders. They rely not on individual philosophy but on past results. This is the first in a series of meetings that will take place in Perth Amboy.

During the meeting, several members of the Citizen's Campaign spoke. "Our greatest strength is in the cities," Harry Pozycki states, citing positive results in Trenton and Camden. Perth Amboy is one of five cities including New Brunswick, Trenton, Newark and Jersey City which will take part in a three year plan for improvement. Pozycki stressed the fact that the group is non-political and for individuals to leave their agendas at home.

Dorian Smith, the Citizen's Campaign lawyer stated he is a law policy expert and does research on what policies works for what cities. "The ideas and concerns for your community will be addressed."

Resident Barry Rosengarten asked, "How do we identify what will work where you live?"

Dorian Smith answered, "It comes from your community. You will identify what needs to be done in Perth Amboy. You pick the issues. If there is evidence that something works somewhere else, then we try it."

Anel Mohammed, Senior Field Coordinator of the Citizen's Campaign spoke about what you can do to make a difference in the community. One way is to be a citizen's journalist. Another thing one can do is to engage organizations to bring out free resources to you.

Harry Pozycki stated, "Perth Amboy will continue to be the model of every other city.

Heather Tuli spoke about "Impact Perth Amboy" a new


website www.impactperthamboy.org. She urged everyone to "Start a Conversation," and introduced three operating principals: 1) Common purpose, 2) Evidence based solution, and 3) No blame approach. "As long as these principals are adhered to."

"We made a three year commitment to you. The needs of the City are the needs that you decide," Tuli went on to say, "Everybody knows somebody," indicating the importance of networking. "The cities are the stepchild of the state. We bring in new power of our community."

Resident Cathy DePow spoke, "You are more than welcome in Perth Amboy."

Harry Pozycki continued, "One thousand people came out to help after Hurricane Sandy. Perth Amboy is special. But we need to find more new leaders." Harry Pozycki concluded the meeting and thanked his Co-Founder and wife, Caroline Pozycki and their daughter, Caroline Pozycki for their support.

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LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

EDITORIAL

Malware Bites!

By: Paul W. Wang

Recently, I picked up a malware that literally shut down and locked out my computer. The way I picked up this malware is by going to a site to pick out clipart. It went by the name of "NRAPRISM" or "GREENDOT" malware.

To anyone who has never experienced malware one can become very intimidated and upset the first time one sees it. This particular malware is flamboyant and intimidating. It makes the computer user think that they have gone to an illegal site. It displays a FBI warning and a Government seal on your screen. It will give you your name in one corner and also an IP address. It literally will shut you down and freeze your computer so you are not able use it. The malware advises you to pay a \$300 fine to the federal government before they release your computer. It gives you an area where you can provide a prepaid cash card number and pay the so called federal government agency and then hopefully they will release your computer. Note: not a credit card – a prepaid cash card which you can buy at certain retailers.

These victims should stop and think before purchasing the cash cards. No federal government agency I know of takes cash cards to unfreeze the computer of known felons. As far as I know the government would not tell you if you are being investigated and solicit fines over the internet.

I was lucky that I knew what to do when this malware hit my computer. I've seen this malware before on some of my friends' computers. I could honestly say it has been improved upon in the last five years. Now it is more straightforward, in your face and makes you think that you did something wrong and didn't know it. Now the malware is much sophisticated than its

predecessor. About five to six years ago, this malware used to pop up and instead of freezing your computer it would blink constantly with a pop-up and say, "You have gone to an illegal site!" It would then demand money in the form of credit cards or cash cards. I heard that people that were a little bit quicker and smarter gave the scammer of the malware bad credit card numbers and scammed the scammers. You have to laugh. You think that scammers are a little bit quicker and realize when they were being scammed.

Other people may fall for this scam, and actually go out and purchase cash cards to pay their "fine." I was talking to several different people who are in the field of security and repairing and maintaining computers. I was told by one person that he knows of at least twenty people that had this malware on their computer and purchased the prepaid cash cards. This is in a time-frame of two to three days. I also spoke to people in the field of computer repair and they also had seen an increase rise in locked computers which they had to have reformatted.

I feel that these victims are not knowledgeable in the practices of malware and protecting their computer. It is a very easy scam for people to fall for. The "Federal Government seal" and pictures of police officers breaking down your door along with the questionable material on the bottom left hand side of your monitor can be intimidating. I cannot emphasize how scammers are getting away with illegally soliciting thousands of dollars on the internet.

Let's take in account an area like Perth Amboy. In two days you have at least \$12,000 being paid out in phony so-called fines. Taking in account, the amount of time and money spent on reformatting your computer or removal of the

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A Fair Tax on Imports

There are embedded taxes in all the goods and services produced in America. The one exception is imported goods and services (they pay no income taxes or for Medicare and Social Security).

The National Debt can be lowered, along with the projected shortfall in funding for Social Security and Medicare, by adding a 23% tax on all imported goods and services. This could also reduce the outsourcing and the loss of millions of jobs from that policy. It could also allow doubling

the standard Federal income tax deduction. The tax on Social Security benefits should have the limits tripled; they haven't been changed in the last thirty years.

Ronald A. Sobieraj

A Plea to American Citizens

America has been embarrassed by the lack of response to the Benghazi attack which took place over a year ago. Washington has turned a deaf ear to the pleas for retaliation against those who killed our Ambassador and three Embassy employees. The murder of Americans on Embassy grounds and the destruction of our Embassy, which is American soil in a foreign land, is against all International laws.

I don't expect cowards to do anything to protect us but I do expect Congress to act on behalf our citizens when the White House won't. Wake up America and tell your Representatives to stop behaving like sissies. The next American killed overseas might be you or a family member.

The White House is now considering taking action against those who attack Syrian citizens in Syria. That is a foreign matter involving a revolution. International affairs of this nature are a matter for the citizens of Syria and/or the United Nations to handle.

America must stand up for our citizens before they get involved in international affairs. The other side of the story is this illegal action. When your enemy is the one who will talk with you about taking action, it is probably not in your best interest.

I urge all Americans to contact the White House, and their Members of the House of Representatives to stop the insanity.

Respectfully,
Robert A. Brown

malware, this can get very costly. Some software out there will stop this malware. As long as you go on the internet you are vulnerable and run a risk of picking this malware up or others like it. In the last five years this one malware has increased in its effectiveness.

I would recommend purchasing software to protect your computer. But it's only as good as the company that produces it. Be careful when you go online. If you have any trouble, instead of going out to your local store and purchasing cash cards, report it to the proper authorities and consult with your local computer technicians.

Honoring George J. Otowski, Sr.

Friday the 13th usually stirs anxieties in many people. It is also known as Triskaidekaphobia or fear of Friday the 13th. I tossed in this big word to show that I am an 8th grade graduate. It certainly did not affect the overflowing crowd which attended the ceremony honoring George J. Otowski, Sr. in naming the Raritan Bay Mental Health Center with his name. His son, George J. Otowski, Jr. shown in the front page story removing the green curtain above the sign designating his name.

We were especially touched when George, Jr., in his fine acceptance speech spoke of his father's vision and motivation in his start during the Great Depression with his accomplishments in the education, political and mental fields. We knew him and were inspired by him! He was an eager beaver! We sensed he was going places when he was running a publishing and printing business. Shades of Benjamin Franklin who started the same way. George, Sr. motivated by his visions made great strides in the above named fields! For which he is rightly honored!

Speaking for myself I am a beneficiary of the mental

health center. My occasional bouts of the blues were escalated into depression. As an airline crew member we transported 219 troops each way from the USA to Vietnam and back. My heart went out to the young men, many of whom were not coming back alive but in body bags. This depressed me to the point where I had to seek help at the center. Competent counselors aided me to cope.

By the way years ago I had a hunch about George, Sr.'s house number at 541 Kennedy Street. I told Butch who ran the pool room on Penn Street to play this number every day for a dime a day. Sho' Nuff! A few weeks later it came out. I received \$50 minus the credit charge. I felt richer then I do now!

All in all the Otowski renaming of this mental health center was a great demonstration of a diverse community uniting the honor its great native son. Even the politicians spoke eloquently with sincere feelings. It was refreshing to hear them speaking without usual campaign blather. Which the wise guys on Hall Avenue used to refer to in much earthier and prosaic terms.

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To register or for more information, call (732) 324-5022.

Monthly Book Club

SEWAREN - There will be a monthly book club at the Sewaren Library, 546 West Ave, Sewaren. For more info call 732-634-7571 or email sewarenlibrary@gmail.com. We are looking for adults to join a book club starting in November. Please fill out the attached form if you are interested in joining us. Day and time will be determined by interest. The first Book will be Defending Jacob by William Landay.

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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Perth Amboy

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South Amboy

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FORDS - Mrs. Lynch's third graders Timothy Haklar, Mateo Lazaro, and Ava Barber help place the red, white, and blue flowers used during the school's 9-11 Prayer Service last week next to the Blessed Mother. This statue of the Blessed Mother is located on the grounds of Our Lady of Peace School in Fords.

**7th International
Festival of
Theater**

PERTH AMBOY - La Casa de la Cultura Navarrete USA Inc. invites Businessmen, Businesswomen, Entrepreneurs & Dealers to participate and support the 17th International Festival of Theater. It is considered the greatest Hispanic theatrical event carried out on the Eastern Coast of the USA. The scenario for this year is the "Auditorium of Raritan Bay YMCA" during 4 week-ends of October from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Participating group theaters include such countries as Columbia, Mexico, Peru, Cuba, Bolivia, Ecuador, Guatemala and Dominican Republic. For more info call Jose at 732-925-5634.

Seniors

Harvest Fest

PERTH AMBOY - Join the Perth Amboy Office on Aging & Parkview Senior Apartments together with AR EX Pharmacy for a Harvest Celebration on Wednesday, October 23rd from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Parkview Apartments, 618 New Brunswick Ave. (Rear Parking Lot). There will be health screenings including blood pressure/glucose & vision, flu shots, pumpkin painting, harvest games, arts & crafts, and give-a-ways and a pumpkin pie bake-off contest. Pre-Registration is required for the Bake-off! Lunch will be provided. Event is FREE! Please RSVP by Friday, October 18th. Contact the Office on Aging at 732-826-1690 ext. 4307 & 4326.

Bake &

Pierogi Sale

PERTH AMBOY - St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church, 404 Division St. is having a bake & pierogi sale on Monday, Sept. 23 to Fri. Sept. 27. Cake - nut, poppy seed, apricot, raspberry and prune Call by Sept. 23 to Sept. 27 to order. Call 732-826-7067 to place your order between 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Pick-up orders between October 1, 2, 3. Pickup your order at the address above.

**Community
Dinners**

PERTH AMBOY - A.J. Community Center, One Olive St. on Sundays from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Local churches, organizations and businesses have partnered to sponsor the Sunday Community Dinners for those in need of a warm meal and good company. For more info call 732-826-1690 ext. 4307. Dates for the dinners are: October 13, 20, 27, November 3, 10, 17, 24.

Duck Race

PERTH AMBOY - The Perth Amboy Harvest Festival 1st Annual Duck Race is an inaugural event designed to create awareness, strengthen and support of the Perth Amboy community.

The 1st Annual Duck Race is an exciting family event where all contributions will make a meaningful enduring impact right in your own neighborhood.

We will be selling "adoption certificates" whereby participants can adopt a duck for \$10. Each duck is numbered with its own unique code, and will be raced between the piers on the Sadowski Parkway. Ultimately, the 5 winning ducks will receive prizes.

Adoption certificates will be sold in advance of the event (physically and online), as well as on the day of the event.

This event is being organized by the Raritan Bay Area YMCA and Temple Beth Mordecai for the benefit of the children and families in Perth Amboy. Perth Amboy Water Front on Sadowski Parkway. The Harvest Festival is an annual event that is open to residents and non-residents of Perth Amboy and attracts people from the surrounding area. During this festival, the town will be offering family activities including hay rides, face and pumpkin painting which will accompany our main event: The 1st Annual Duck Race. This event is designed to create attention and awareness of the wonderful opportunities available in Perth Amboy, and is offered to support of our organizations (Beth Mordecai & YMCA) with the participation of Mayor Wilda Diaz. Sunday, October 20th

- See more at: <http://perthamboyduckrace.com/#sthash.WpKckRgR.dpuf>

**Ghosts of
Central Jersey**

PERTH AMBOY - "You are invited to where the past is considered to be very much alive..." Gordon Thomas Ward, ghost expert and author of five books, will delight his audience with an exciting combination of factual history and sound investigation as he discusses the ghosts that haunt historic sites in Central Jersey. A former history teacher, Ward has delved deeply into the individual histories of each of the locations he discusses. His involvement with Haunted NJ, an organization of paranormal investigators with more than 75 years of investigative experience, is evident. His delivery is spine tingling!

Mr. Ward's book, "Ghosts of Central Jersey" is in its fourth printing and is available on eBook as well. He makes use of excerpts of this book, photos of investigated sites and audio clips of unexplained voices in his paranormal presentation. He debunks some popular folklore while giving forensic evidence to support other claims of hauntings.

The historic Perth Amboy Ferry Slip Museum (haunted?) is the site of Mr. Ward's presentation on Sunday, October 27 at 2 p.m. Seating is limited so please reserve your seat now by calling Kathleen DePow at 732-442-5425. There is a requested donation of \$10 per adult, children under 12 free. All donations will help defray costs of undoing super storm Sandy's ravaging effects on the former ticket booth at the slip. This small structure is slated to display a new "Made in Perth Amboy" display.

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**Documentary about Puerto Rican
Soldiers to be Screened in Perth
Amboy in Celebration of National
Hispanic Heritage Month.**

News Release

PERTH AMBOY - Documentary about Puerto Rican Soldiers to be Screened in Perth Amboy in Celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month

Mayor Wilda Diaz celebrates National Hispanic Heritage Month with the Puerto Rican Association for Human Development Inc. (PRAHD) with the screening of the documentary film "The Borinqueneers" and host Steve Adubato, Emmy award-winning anchor on Saturday, October 5th at 2 p.m. to be held at the Perth Amboy High School, 300 Eagle Avenue, Perth Amboy

The hour-long documentary chronicles the history of the 65th Infantry Regiment, the only all-Hispanic segregated unit in the history of the U.S. Army.

This event is FREE and open to the public. Reserve your seat today!! RSVP by September 27th by calling (973)345-9837 or email jracevedo@borinqueneers.com. For additional info visit www.borinqueneers.com or www.prahd.org.


This event is sponsored by PRAHD, the City of Perth Amboy, the Statewide Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey, Verizon and Caucus Educational Corporation.

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Yoga and Zumba Fitness Classes

SAYREVILLE - The Sayreville Recreation Department will continue to offer Yoga 3:45 p.m. on Thursdays and Zumba and Core Fitness 3:45 p.m. on Tuesdays. Yoga mat required. Classes start September 24th and run 8 weeks. Location: Samsel Upper Elementary School Ernston Road Sayreville. Auxillary Gym. Registration starts Sept 10th. For more information please call Denise at 732-525-9536 or email zumbasayreville@gmail.com

Coffee Break Festival

PERTH AMBOY - The Love Your City Committee presents Coffee Break Festival with live entertainment: DJ, Jazz Band and Latin Music, Candy Bars, Desserts, Punch Juices, Iced Coffee, Hot Coffee, Organic Coffee, Arts and Crafts and more. September 28 & 29, Saturday & Sunday from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Tiki Bar, Cornucopia Cruise Line, 401 Riverview Dr., Perth Amboy. Free Admission. For more info call 732-293-0707

Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge

PERTH AMBOY - Knights of Columbus, San Salvador council #299 - Perth Amboy, will be sponsoring the 2013 soccer challenge for boys and girls ages 10-14 years of age. This year's event will take place at Dalton Field, (near the Flynn school) on Saturday, October 5th from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Championship trophies will be awarded to all first place winners in each age category as well as certificates of participation to all participants. Parents must accompany their child in order to register. Registration is free. For more info call the Knights of Columbus at (732) 442-2998.

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.

The Puerto Rican Association for Human Development, Inc. Celebrates 39 years of service! "Illuminating Lives" ("Iluminando Vidas") 27th Annual Roberto Clemente Gala - Friday, October 11th, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. Renaissance Woodbridge Hotel, Iselin NJ HONORING Honorable Mathias E. Rodriguez, Eddie Trujillo, Carlos A. Sanchez and PNC Bank

News Release
PERTH AMBOY - Thirty nine years ago a group of individuals came together to create an organization that would assist and empower the community at large. An intimate dialogue between a group of leaders created what is now the Puerto Rican Association for Human Development, Inc. (PRAHD). On Friday, October 11th, 2013 the anniversary of PRAHD's creation and tradition of service excellence will be honored with the annual Roberto Clemente Gala. This year the gala celebrates PRAHD's ability to illuminate lives through programs that inspire individuals to make and sustain beneficial changes. Our annual gala is a night that features a silent auction, delectable food, fine libations and performances by a live band. Furthermore the gala gives the agency an opportunity to thank our supporters and constituents who represent various organizations, governmental bodies, communities, etc. Additionally, each year PRAHD honors truly unique individuals with awards and this year PRAHD will present the Goodwill Ambassador Award to Eddie Trujillo, the Outstanding Business Leader Award to Carlos A. Sanchez, 360 Staffing, Inc. and the Corporate Excellence Award to PNC Bank. PRAHD also has the honor of presenting the Lifetime Humanitarian Achievement Award to Math-

ias E. Rodriguez, "Eddie" for his contributions as a founding member of the agency and his philanthropic legacy throughout the State of NJ.

All proceeds from this year's gala support the agency's overall operations and programs. Your dollars will work to assist PRAHD in reaching and servicing over 17,000 children, teens, adults and seniors each year throughout Hudson, Middlesex and Union counties. PRAHD's programs empower individuals to make positive decisions through meaningful activities and program measures. Our clients receive the tools necessary to improve their lives for the better - a sustainable impact that is not possible without the help of our supporters and allies!

Partnering with PRAHD in planning and executing the 2013 gala is a dedicated team of community leaders, local organizations and businesses. Additionally, Senator Robert Menendez, Perth Amboy's Mayor Wilda Diaz and Roberto Clemente Jr. all serve as honorary members for the 27th Annual Roberto Clemente Gala.

Please join us in celebrating PRAHD's tremendous efforts in the community and we hope to see you there!

PRAHD sends a Heart-Filled Thanks to All who participated in making this Event a Success!

Sincerely, Yvonne Lopez,
Executive Director, PRAHD.



The 27th Annual Roberto Clemente Gala planning committee, gala honorees, PRAHD executive staff and Board of Directors
**Photo Submitted*



Honorees: Carlos A. Sanchez, PNC Bank, the Honorable Mathias E. Rodriguez, Eddie Trujillo with PRAHD Exec. Dir. Yvonne Lopez & PRAHD Board Member Bob Durso
**Photos By Joe Bayona*



PRAHD Representatives & Executive Board

**ATTENTION
PERTH AMBOY RESIDENTS**

Utility Services Affiliates – Perth Amboy (USA-PA, Inc.)
Will begin the Annual Hydrant Flushing Program on Monday, September 23, 2013. The Flushing Program will take place weekdays in the evening from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

While we are flushing in your area, you may experience decreased water pressure, or temporary discoloration. Simply allow the water to run until it is clear. This should only take a few minutes. If your water is discolored, you may wish to avoid doing laundry until the flushing is completed in your area.

This program will take approximately two (2) weeks to complete.

If you have any questions, please call (732) 826-5335 and a representative of the Division will be happy to assist you.

Thank You!

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Two Kean Computer Science Seniors Selected for Esteemed Scholarship

News Release

PERTH AMBOY/ELIZABETH - Two Kean University Computer Science students, Yerika Jimenez of Perth Amboy, NJ and Nathaly Lozano of Elizabeth, NJ, have received scholarships to the prestigious Grace Hopper Celebration of Computing next month in Minneapolis. Being awarded scholarships to this conference that recognizes the achievements of women in computing – from a pool of over 900 applicants - is a high honor and a reflection of the exemplary work each senior has demonstrated in the Computer Science Department.

The project that earned Jimenez the scholarship involved research into smartphone design and use, resulting in her development of a predictive model for smartphone selection. She also received accolades from the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society with a first place award in research design for her role in this project. Jimenez has been instrumental in other projects at Kean as well, such as a comparative research study of visual programming language environments. This summer, she worked at Clemson University in SC conducting research on how young children learn as part of a Computing Research Association award.

Lozano's role that merited the scholarship award was as

part of the development team of a mobile smartphone app for the Grace Presbyterian Church graveyard in Elizabeth. This app has received many accolades from genealogists and historians for its comprehensive information about the graveyard "residents" and their tombstones, and the ease of accessing the data. It is in general circulation and available for free for iPhone and Android smartphones. Lozano has also been involved in designing and testing an educational computer game with middle school students at Roselle Park Middle School.

The Computer Science Department at Kean University in Union NJ is a vibrant and community oriented department. It has received much notice recently for such works as the Graveyard app, as well other new apps such as one focusing on Utility Outages. The Kean Computer Science Department also hosted its third annual CS4HS (Computer Science for High School) conference in conjunction with Google. With small classes (20-25 students) and a focus on undergraduate research, the Computer Science department is noted for its inclusive atmosphere and groundbreaking research and development. Their first fall open house is Saturday September 28. Learn more about it at: <http://www.kean.edu/ku/open-house>

Purple and Gold Still Strong In South Amboy

By: Beverly Samuelson
SOUTH AMBOY - Sunday was the annual H. G. Hoffman High School multi-class reunion. This year it was at the Elks in South Amboy. The room was full of alumni sharing stories and events from days gone by at H. G. Hoffman. The school colors, Purple and Gold are still strong in the town with this group of loyal alumni who are still going strong.

Each year Susan Mattsson and Ed Szatkowski put the reunion together along with their many volunteers like Bob Kubinak, who all work hard to make these reunions a wonderful event. This year Gus Galley was on hand and gave all the ladies a silver bracelet. Pearl Flynn looked beautiful in her purple and gold. Every one shared great memories of their school days. Many have known each other since kindergarten. H. G. Hoffman had a small student population which allowed the students to know everyone in the school. Students knew everyone's parents, siblings, cousins, aunts and uncles and teachers knew all the parents. It was a great school to attend, with wonderful teachers who were there after hours to help students who needed it.

Over the years the school has undertaken many changes including a name change. However, to all those who attended and graduated from H. G. Hoffman High School, it was a great place to learn and grow, a place where values were taught, a place where respect mattered.

As for next year, all of those who graduated H. G. Hoffman High School, lets get back our school spirit, bring out the purple and gold and lets make next years event the best one ever.

As this reunion comes to an end for 2013, Susan and Ed along with their volunteers are beginning to plan for next year. If anyone would like to help, get in touch with Susan, at 732-721-2956.

Harold G. Hoffman Reunion

**Photos by Aaron Beers*



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In order to qualify for an HSA, you must participate in a high-deductible health insurance policy. This simply means that the deductible on your health policy can't be less than \$1,250 for self-only coverage or \$2,500 for family coverage. These are minimum deductible limits, and you're free to participate in a health plan

with higher limits and still qualify for an HSA. However, the maximum out-of-pocket expenses (including deductibles and co-payments, but not insurance premiums) can't be more than \$6,250 for self-only coverage or \$12,500 for family coverage.

All of the limits noted are for 2013; these limits are adjusted annually for inflation.

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Class of 1972 Reunion

PERTH AMBOY – Perth Amboy High School's Class of 1972 will hold its 40th Reunion on Saturday, Oct. 12, at Seabra's Armory, Front Street, from 7:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Cost is \$60 per person, which includes DJ, Deluxe Buffet and Open Bar all night. For more information, call (848) 250-1982 or email tl4160@gmail.com.

Mitruska Wellness Center Celebrates the 118th Birthday of Chiropractic Care - 9/18/13

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PAHS Class of 1958 Reunion

PERTH AMBOY - The Perth Amboy High School Class of 1958 will be holding its 55th class reunion on November 2, 2013 at the ZPA Lounge and Banquet Hall, 251 Grace Street Perth Amboy from 6 p.m. to 12 midnight. The cost is \$65 per person for a buffet dinner, champagne toast, live music and a DJ playing those golden oldies until midnight. On Friday, November 1, we will be meeting at Terrazza on High Street to "buzz the stem" and back for Happy Hour. On Sunday, we are meeting for breakfast at the ZPA at 11 a.m., the cost of which is \$15. And last but not least, we will be taking a tour of the historic treasures of Perth Amboy including the "Halls of Ivy".

Accommodations are available at the Hampton Inn located on 370 Route 9 North.


While we have contacted most of our classmates some have still not been found. Please reach out to anyone who graduated with this fabulous class. We've developed a special bond between our classmates and all those who graduated Perth Amboy High School. Let's make this reunion memorable and encourage every classmate to be there to celebrate this significant milestone. Please call Carol Zick Chojnacki at 732-462-1989 or 732-7643, or Barbara Franko Sottilaro at 732-826-9466 or email her at babsmsottilaro@gmail.com.

We are looking forward to seeing you all there to have another great time.

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PAHS Class of 1953 60th High School Reunion

PERTH AMBOY - Saturday, October 19, 2013, from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. at The University Inn, 178 Ryders Lane, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ. Cost: \$40 per person, includes full lunch and drinks, Kurt Epps entertaining, profession photos, flowers. Spouses, partners, children, grand-children, other guests welcome (\$40 each)

Contact person: Shirley Soos Smoyak, h. 732-548-3473; work. 848-932-4727, email: Smoyak@docs.rutgers.edu

PAHS Class of 1983

30th Reunion

PERTH AMBOY - PAHS Class of 1983 will hold its 30th Reunion on Saturday, October 5, 2013 at Seabra's Armory, Front St, Perth Amboy from 7 p.m. -12 midnight. It includes buffet dinner, open bar, and DJ, and the privilege of reuniting with the wonderful classmates from the class of '83 at \$75.00 pp. For more information please call Xiomara at 732-718-1084 or email at xtmenza@gmail.com.

Memorial Service



SOUTH AMBOY - South Amboy Elks #784 and American Legion Post #62 held a Memorial Service at Raritan Bay Waterfront Park on September 11th to pay tribute to the victims and survivors of that tragic day. Over 3000 innocent lives were lost and their families lives changed forever. In attendance with the Elks & American Legion officers and members was South Amboy's Mayor Fred Henry and Council Members along with Colonel John O'Connell. Mayor Henry remembered Gary Frank of South Amboy who lost his life on that day. We will never forget that day or those that were lost.

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Courtesy of Tom Ploskanka

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The lender has three main questions. How much do you want? For what will the money be used? How do you intend to repay the loan? There are several parts to the answers for each of these.

You will need a detailed list of what the money will go for. Are your expenditures reasonable in light of what you intend to accomplish? Will you be buying items which will improve your list of collateral to support the loan? The nature of what you are buying will help determine the payback period. The purchase of inventory will require a shorter payback schedule than, say, the purchase of machinery or a building addition.

And lastly, how do you intend to repay the loan? Will repayment come from future projected profits? And if so, how will you repay if the profits are not forthcoming?

Here is a list of the written material you may be asked to submit.

- Three years of prior income tax returns.
- Three years of company financial statements.
- Personal balance sheet with cost and fair market value of assets.
- Your personal resume, including your business experience and educational background.
- A business plan with projected financial statements including cash flow statements.
- Collateral list showing cost and market value as well as any debt against the items.
- Contracts that concern income intended to be used for loan repayment.
- Franchise agreements, if any.
- Lease agreement for the business premises if you don't own the property.

While assembling your loan package, keep in mind the lender's overall concern: how much do you need, for what will you use it, how will you pay it back?

Diocese of Metuchen to Celebrate 12th Annual Blue Mass

News Release

METUCHEN - Bishop Paul G. Bootkoski will serve as principal celebrant of the Diocese of Metuchen's 12th annual Blue Mass to be held at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen, on Wednesday, October 16 at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome.

The Mass honors all active, retired and deceased law enforcement officials from Middlesex, Hunterdon, Somerset and Warren, the four counties served by the diocese. Federal, state, county and local police, sheriff and corrections departments along with members of the Port Authority Police Department are invited to participate in the Blue Mass.

"Each year, as we gather together in prayer and fellowship at our annual Blue Mass, it provides an opportunity for citizens of the diocese to acknowledge and give thanks for

the many contributions of all those involved in law enforcement," said Bishop Bootkoski. "It's a chance for us to remind them that we respect the work they do and that we appreciate their selfless dedication and commitment to keeping our local towns and communities safe."

Readington Police Department, under the direction of Chief Sebastian Donaruma, this year will serve as the host department with assistance of all Hunterdon County law enforcement.

Members of the host department will serve as the main honor guard in the pre-liturgical ceremony and will participate during the Mass as cross and candle bearers, readers and gift bearers.

Hunterdon County Prosecutor Anthony P. Kearns, III, who has been a member of the Blue Mass planning committee for

the past three years, said he is pleased with the involvement of Hunterdon County law enforcement in the annual diocesan liturgy as well as the opportunity to thank them for their work.

"I am honored to be able to express my gratitude to all those who serve and protect our communities and look forward to being present once again to show support for the many dedicated men and women in Hunterdon County law enforcement, especially as they take a leading role this year," said Kearns.

The Mass will include a 21-gun salute and after the Mass there will be a flyover by a State Police aircraft as Bishop Bootkoski blesses and reviews the officers. A lunch reception will follow immediately afterward in the community room beneath the church.

For more information, visit



The Blue Mass has been celebrated annually for the past 12 years. All active, retired and deceased law enforcement officials from Middlesex, Hunterdon, Somerset and Warren are honored. All are welcome. For more information, visit www.diometuchen.org/2013-blue-mass/ or call (732) 562-2463. *The Catholic Spirit file photo

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Foundation Announces New Young Professionals Group

-Raritan Bay Medical Center Foundation Announces "Future Leaders Association"-

News Release

September 13, 2013

PERTH AMBOY- Raritan Bay Medical Center Foundation announced the formation of the Future Leaders Association at Raritan Bay Medical Center during an inaugural event August 21. Founded by Summer DeFeo, Dan Harris and Kurt Rebovich, Jr., the Future Leaders Association was formed to raise awareness of and funds for the medical center among diverse groups in the Middlesex County and Western Monmouth County areas, particularly energetic community leaders, advocates and professionals.

The event was held August 21 at Bahama Breeze of Woodbridge and included tastings of five of Bahama Breeze's tropical drinks, as well as live music and giveaways. The event brought in net revenue of \$1,200 with proceeds benefiting the medical center.

An information session will be held for individuals wishing to learn more about the Future Leaders Association, for more information contact the Foundation at 732-324-5374 or visit www.rbmcfoundation.org.

Fall Festival

SOUTH RIVER - October 12 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Sts. Peter & Paul Russian Orthodox Church (Church hall behind the church), 76 Whitehead Ave. South River. Enjoy ethnic food, music, raffles, church tours and more! FREE ADMISSION!

Music at

Saint Mary's

SOUTH AMBOY - Sunday, October 6, 2013 at 4 p.m. Lucia Nowik, violin. Please join us in welcoming Lucia Nowik as MASM's 2013-2014 Artists-in-Residence. Miss Nowik is a product of the Juilliard School and a true violin prodigy. She will perform a solo concert featuring violin music of the past three centuries, including Bach, Brahms and others. After the concert, there will be a special Meet -the Artist wine and cheese reception. Suggested Donation \$ 15 Cheerfully Accepted! Please call with any questions: Eszter at 732-213-0989 or Chris at 732-721-0179

Mexican Flag Raising, City Hall Circle, Perth Amboy - 9/13/13

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South Amboy Artfest & Street Fair - 9/22/13 or Hoffman Reunion

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Sayreville: The Town

With A Heart

By: Beverly Samuelson

SAYREVILLE - In memory of Rene Lajewski, a beautiful young lady who suffered severe brain disorders, the Angel on Your Shoulder 5K Walk/ Run was held September 14, 2013, at Kennedy Park, Sayreville, NJ. Sponsored by The Sayreville Association for Brain Injured Children and the Sayreville Recreation Dept.

This is the first event of this kind, for this organization and it was a fabulous turnout. Mayor Kennedy O'Brien thanked everyone involved for making the day a success. Among the contributors of this event were Jim Gillette, President of the Brain Injured Children Organization, the Shade Tree Commission, Jerry Ust of the Sayreville Recreation Department and all the people attending this great cause.

In honor of Rene, a tree was planted by the recreation department and Jim Gillette contributed a beautiful stone which was placed at the site. This was a very moving event with about 600 people in attendance.

All proceeds from this event will go to the Sayreville Association for Brain Injured Children to help families of children with brain disorders.

Coat Drive

SOUTH AMBOY - October 19/20. The Council of Catholic Women, Church of the Sacred Sheart, 531 Washington Avenue, South Amboy will be collecting coats for the Rescue Mission of Trenton,. Coats may be dropped off at the church entrance or in a receptacle located across street in front of Memorial Hall. For more Info call 732-525-2696.

Edison AARP

Chapter 3446

EDISON - Edison AARP Chapter 3446 will meet on Monday, September 16, 2013 at 1:00 PM. The meeting will be held at the American Legion Hall located at 167 Brower Avenue, Edison, NJ. Join us for a presentation by singer Carl Sabio. Also, dues will be collected for the coming season at this meeting. September 24-27 - Cape Cod package with whale watching. For information call Bob at 732-885-1789. For information on the knitting and crocheting club, call Kay at 732-548-1976. Canned food for MCFOOD will be collected at the meeting, as well as misc. items for veterans & nursing homes.

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Civil War Roundtable

WOODBIDGE - The next meeting of The Robert E. Lee Civil War Roundtable of Central New Jersey will be held on October 7th at The Woodbridge Public Library at 7:00 p.m. The guest speaker will be Gerry Mayers and his topic will be "The Green Corn Regiment at Antietam." The meeting is open to the public and all are welcome

Tea with Benjamin Franklin

PERTH AMBOY - Sunday, September 29, at 2 p.m. at the Proprietary House, 149 Kearny Ave., Perth Amboy. For more info call 732-826-5527 or go to www.theproprietary-house.org or www.facebook.com/ProprietaryHouseMuseum One of our most popular entertainers in 2012, world-renown Ben Franklin impersonator Barry Stevens is back again with us in 2013! Guests will have a chance to meet and get their picture taken with Mr. Franklin himself, and then enjoy tea and homemade desserts in William's drawing room while watching the performance Stevens gives. It is a delightful afternoon that you won't want to miss! Admission is a suggested donation of \$10 per person.

Pancake Breakfast

SAYREVILLE - The Morgan Lions Club of Sayreville will be holding its semi-annual Pancake Breakfast on October 6th from 8:00 AM until noon at the Eisenhower School located on Ernston Road in Parlin. The cost is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children. We will be serving, pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage and a variety of donuts. Coffee, tea, orange or apple juice is included.

As in the past the Girl Scouts from Sayreville and South Amboy will donating their time working at the breakfast. Tickets will be available at the door, for information or tickets see any Morgan Lion, or call 732-721-0379.

Proceeds from the breakfast along with White Cane Days, Calender sales and other fundraisers help support the Lion's local projects including Scholarships to High School grads, Sponsorship of several area sports teams, support the Morgan First Aid Squad and our main focus helping the blind, visually impaired, and those with hearing problems.

Interesting in becoming a Lion? See any member or call 732-721-0379.

Olive Street Senior Picnic - Washington Park, Perth Amboy *Photos by Bob Ned



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NJ State Firemen's Convention Wildwood 9/12,13,14/13

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WILDWOOD - South Amboy (Photo 2) took top honors at the NJ State Firemen's Convention. Keyport (Photo 1) took 2nd place for best marching unit (over 20). Perth Amboy (Photo 3) won for the furthest traveled Fire Department participating in the parade

Homeowners Workshop - PRAHD

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PERTH AMBOY - There was a homeowners workshop at PRAHD helping people with the responsibilities of home ownership.

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Harvest Social
EDISON - Hosted by Love to Life at the Crown Plaza Edison, 2055 Lincoln Hwy, Edison. Tickets are \$35 pp. Saturday, Sept. 28 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Full Breakfast Buffet Musical Performance. Guest Speakers, and Giveaways. For more info call 732-766-5199.

Chicken Paprikas Dinner

PERTH AMBOY - Hungarian Reformed Church Center, 347 Kirkland Place (Corner of Kirkland Place and Fayette Street), Perth Amboy. Friday, September 27, 5:30 p.m. \$15 pp. Reservations Required. For more info call Pat 732-442-0224, Pam 732-257-7182 or Rev. Szasz 732-442-7799

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.

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.

Exclusive Proprietary House Ghost Hunt

PERTH AMBOY - ONE NIGHT ONLY! Saturday, October 12, from 8 p.m. - 11 p.m. Join us for a very special and exclusive paranormal investigation of the historic Proprietary House! 149 Kearny Ave., Perth Amboy Unlike our usual October ghost tours, this is an actual investigation where you are invited to bring your own equipment in to try to capture evidence! For \$20 per person, you will be given access to the basement and first floor from 8-11pm. An expert guide will show you around as we investigate and conduct EVP sessions. Light refreshments will be served. RESERVATIONS REQUIRED. SPACE STRICTLY LIMITED. No one under 15 permitted (children younger than that are welcome on our normal ghost tours!) Email Greg Caggiano at nyr1199@comcast.net to reserve your spots. For more info call 732-826-5527

How the News Media Changes History

PERTH AMBOY - The Kearny Cottage Historical Association presents Charles Wiley, International Lecturer, Journalist, Actor, and World War II Naval Veteran. Mr. Wiley will share his insights as to the difference between objective journalism and advocacy journalism and how the media shapes the national agenda. Sunday, September 29 at 3 p.m. at the Raritan Bay YMCA, 357 New Brunswick Ave. Please take advantage of this opportunity to learn from a true and wise man.

Plays in the Park

EDISON - School House Rock Our 21st Annual Indoor Children's Musical Saturdays Oct. 12,13,19,20,26 at 1 p.m. and 4 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. Sept. 25 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. Sept. 26 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
MON. Sept. 30 St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.
TUES. Oct. 1 Holy Spirit Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Church Hall, Brace Ave.
• Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.
WED. Oct. 2 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. Oct. 3 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
South Amboy
MON. Oct. 7 St. Mary's Seniors, noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.
WED. Oct. 9 South Amboy Seniors, noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.

Attn: If Your Club changes Your Schedule due to the Holidays Please give us two weeks notice! 732-896-4446 or 732-261-2610



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LOOKING BACK



PERTH AMBOY - Royal Floor Coverings, 96 Smith St. circa 1940's.
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This Photo was restored under a grant for the Kearny Cottage Archiving project by the Middlesex Cultural and Heritage Commission

Flea Market

PERTH AMBOY - St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church, Perth Amboy is having a flea market on Saturday, September 28 in the church parking lot, 145 Broad St., Perth Amboy from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bring your own table: \$10, Church supplies the table: \$15. For more info call 732-362-1031 or email gallatsl@yahoo.com.

Tot Time & Storytime

SOUTH AMBOY - There will be Tot Time - (Ages 0-2) on Wednesdays at 2 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and Storytime (Ages 3-5) on Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Sadie Pope Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza South Amboy. For more info call 732-721-6060.

ACS Celebrating 50 Years of Excellence in Education!

PERTH AMBOY - On Saturday, October 12th, 2013 Assumption Catholic School in Perth Amboy, NJ will celebrate a milestone - 50 years of excellence in education! Divine Liturgy (Mass) of Thanksgiving will be celebrated at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 12th, 2013 by Metropolitan-Archbishop Stefan Soroka and Most Rev. Paul Bootkoski, the Bishop of the Diocese of Metuchen. Open House Reunion Dinner after the Liturgy at the Assumption Catholic School

Hall (Buffet Dinner Tickets \$35 for adult and \$20 for children) Tickets can be purchased via email ACSschooloffice@gmail.com by phone 732-826-8721 or pick up in the church or school office at 380 Meredith St. Perth Amboy, NJ 08861. Alumni and Guests, please come, celebrate, reunite, and rediscover why our school still captures the hearts of community members and alumni after all these years.

Tricky Tray

PERTH AMBOY - Blessed John Paul II Parish, St. Stephen's Church, 500 State Street, Perth Amboy Join us at our Annual Tricky Tray! October 13. Food and Drinks will be available for purchase. Coffee and dessert is included! There will be a 50/50 Raffle! Doors open at 12:30 pm and the drawing begins at 2:30 pm. Tickets can be purchased at the door or in the Parish office. For more info call 732-826-1395, email jpevent@johnpaulsecond.com, or visit www.johnpaulsecond.com

Trip To

Sands Casino

SAYREVILLE - Our Lady of Victory Knights of Columbus # 2061 is running a Casino bus trip to The Sands Casino in Bethlehem, PA on Saturday November 2nd. The bus departs the K of C building, located at 775 Washington Road in Parlin at 11:00 am and returns at approximately 8 p.m. The price for the trip is \$35 p/p which includes bus transportation to and from Bethlehem, beer and soda, chips and entertainment on bus. Upon arrival, you will receive a \$ 20 slot credit as well as a \$ 5 food voucher. There are also many outlet stores for your shopping adventures. If you are interested in going, please call Joe Campbell @ 646-483-2883 for more info or to book your seat

Timothy Wilson From The Legendary "Teenagers"

SAYREVILLE - The Sayreville Knights of Columbus proudly presents Timothy Wilson, lead singer for Frankie Lymons Legendary "TEENAGERS" and his guest band. Groove to the music of the 50's - 60's and Motown. Dance all night long. Saturday, November 9th is the date and 7:30 p.m. to 12 midnight is the time. Tickets are \$ 40 with advanced sales only. Price includes The Show, Beer, Wine and Soda and a Light Dinner Buffet. Feel free to bring your own snacks for your table. Mixed cocktails will be available for purchase as well. So come on down and enjoy a trip down memory lane. Our dance hall is located at 775 Washington Road in the Parlin section of Sayreville, directly across from the Parlin Post Office. For more info contact John Brusich @ 732-407-7455 or the K of C Hall @ 732-257-2061.

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.

Family Magic Show

PERTH AMBOY - Family Magic Show with a message Featuring Ken Northridge. Saturday October 19, 4 p.m. Hungarian Reformed Church Center, 347 Kirkland Place (Corner of Kirkland Place and Fayette Street). NO ADMISSION FEE - Doves-Music-Audience Participation fun for the young and young at heart. For more info call Pat: 732-442-0224.

Oktoberfest

FORDS - The Ministries of Our Lady of Peace Parish cordially invite you to "Oktoberfest," Saturday, October 5, 12 noon to 5 p.m. on the grounds of the formal Middle School. GPS Address 656 Amboy Avenue Edison, NJ 08837, There will be a Beer tent, Bratwurst and Knockwurst, Hot dogs for the kids, Bounce House, Dunk Tank, Pony Rides, Live Band (Lunch Hour Six Pack) Featuring Classic 90's Rock, Haunted House, Duck Pond, 2 Raffles, Pumpkin Decorating and Vendors. Fun for the whole family. For more information contact Meagan DiCarlo 732-343-4372

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*Thank you, St. Jude
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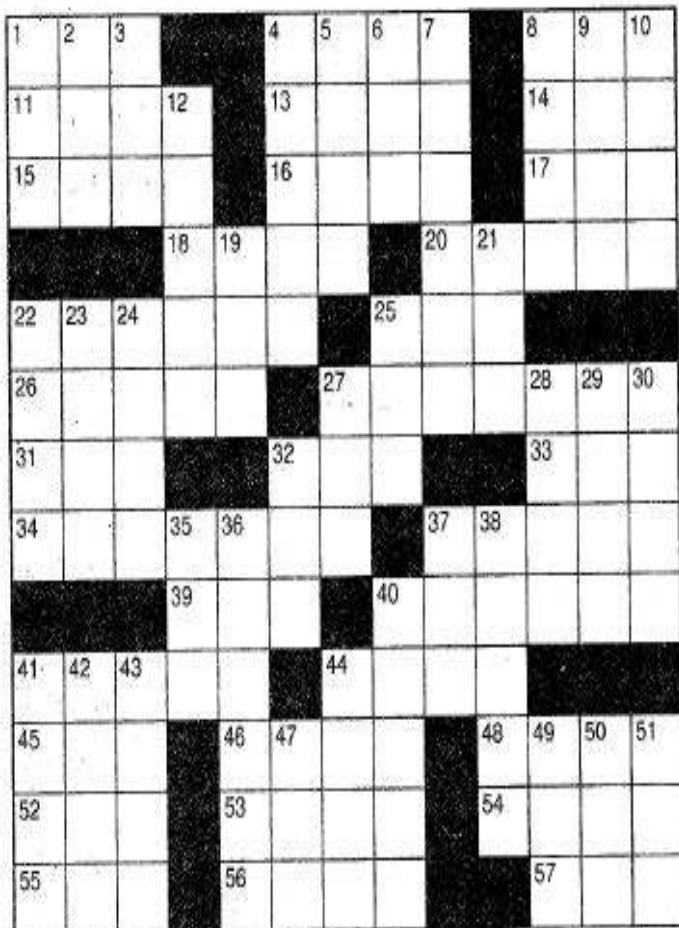
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| 1 Ike's monogram | 53 Rabbit features | 10 Curse | 36 ___ Flatt of country music |
| 4 Mirthful laugh (2 wds.) | 54 Make angry | 12 Martini garnish | 37 Wine, in Parea |
| 8 Sci. room | 55 City trains | 19 Home (abbr.) | 38 Passion |
| 11 Currency unit in France | 56 Like mature fruit | 21 Dem.'s opponent | 40 Smell or taste |
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