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Bail Set at \$1.7 Million for Suspect in **Perth Amboy Stabbings**

By: Carolyn Maxwell, Katherine Massopust and Ron Miskoff

PERTH AMBOY - Anibal Rodriguez (known on the street as "Peanut"), 75, stands accused of fatally stabbing Phillip Willis, 65, in an apparently unprovoked attack in the center of the Business District on Smith Street just shortly before 1 p.m. on Thursday, September 3.

According to one source, Rodriguez, a resident of the Palace Hotel at 286 Madison Avenue, got into an argument with another Palace Hotel resident, a woman whose first name is Joanne. She was in the office complaining to the Office Manger about Rodriguez's unwelcome advances, according to one source. When Rodriguez overheard her complaints, he stormed into the office, prompting the Office Manager to try to calm him down, the witness said.

At that point, the witness said, Rodriguez became agitated, pulled out a large knife and started to stab Joanne. Upon hearing screams, a 24-yearold man ran into the building to try to help the Office Manager subdue Rodriguez. Joanne managed to escape to the restaurant next door where she was safely able to wait for medical attention. She was taken to Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick, police said.

Police said that, despite Rodriguez' attempted attacks on them, the Office Manager and the 24-year-old man were able to avoid being seriously injured.

In the meantime, Rodriguez ran out of the Palace Hotel and turned right toward the corner of Smith Street and Madison Avenue where he encountered Phillip Willis, according to authorities. Willis was a resident of the Madison Hotel, 278 Madison Avenue, which is down the street a short distance from the Palace Hotel.



The First Stabbing Victim is shown being taken out of the Chinese Restaurant where she fled after being stabbed.

*Photos by Paul W. Wang



Acting Police Chief Larry Cattano at the crime scene



Phillip Willis Photo in the Window of Gomez Dry Cleaners

Willis was acquainted with both Rodriguez and Joanne. said the witnesses. They added that, shortly after running into Willis, Rodriguez caught him totally off guard and started stabbing him with the same knife that he used to attack Joanne. According to witness-



Memorial to Phillip Willis on Smith Street

es, after the initial stabbing, Willis tried to get away and ran across the street. However, he tripped. Rodriguez continued his assault and stabbed him in the heart, said one witness.

Rodriguez was subdued by

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South Amboy Looks to Revitalize Vacated Delilah's Den Property

By: Joseph L. Kuchie SOUTH AMBOY - The city of South Amboy received a request from the Redevelopment Agency to begin a study of the current redevelopment plan for the vacated Delilah's Den property.

The all-nude nightclub located on Route 35 closed in 2010 after a 10-year legal battle between the city and the club's owner. Despite now being closed for five years, the building remains vacant on the property and the Delilah's Den sign continues to overlook the highway.

The current redevelopment plan only includes bringing new businesses to the property, and past attempts to make changes have fallen through.

Mayor Henry hoped that revisiting the plan to add residential units could lead to the property finally getting devel-

"Anything would be better then what's there at this point," Henry said. "The whole idea is to change [the plan] so someone could come in and develop."

It was noted that this was only a request to begin a study and it was very early in an attempt to bring change to the property. Any recommendations that come from the po-



Cooling Centers

City Engineer Mark Rasimowicz

tential study would have to come back to the council before further action is taken.

Three resolutions awarding bids for construction were also on the business agenda. City Engineer Mark Rasimowicz informed the council that bids for roof repairs at the Department of Public Works and numerous road improvements throughout South Amboy would be going out by September 10th and he hopes to have them awarded at the next city council meeting.

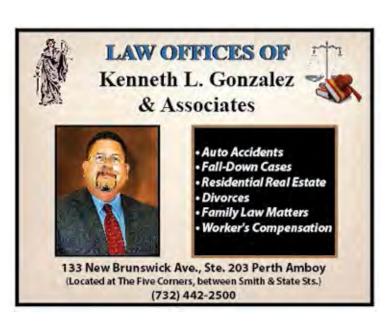
Councilman Donald Applegate was not in attendance for the business meeting. South Amboy will have its monthly city council meeting on September 16th at 7:00 p.m.



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Perth Amboy Stabbing

an on-duty Middlesex County Sheriff's Officer and a civilian passerby, said police.

Willis succumbed to his wounds in the hospital shortly after the attack, a spokesperson said. Willis was described as a quiet man who bothered no one. The condition of the other stabbing victim, Joanne, is still hospitalized as of the writing of this article with non-life threatening wounds.

Rodriguez is being charged with murder, three counts of attempted murder, possession of a weapon for an unlawful purpose and an unlawful possession of a weapon. He is being held in lieu of \$1.7 million bail.

This is not the first time Rodriguez has been accused of stabbing someone to death. He was convicted of a similar crime in 1989. The details are available online: caselaw. findlaw.com: Superior Court of New Jersey, Appellate Division; STATE of New Jersey, Plaintiff-Respondent, v. Anibal RODRIGUEZ, Defendant-Appellant; Decided: December 29, 2003

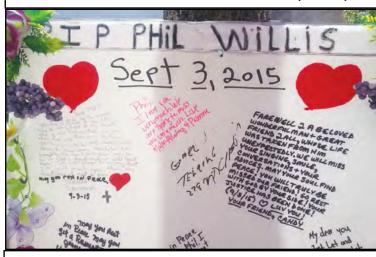
The full link to the site describing Rodriguez' previous conviction is: http://caselaw.findlaw.com/nj-superior-court-appellate-division/1239509.html

The following is a summary of the information that appears on that site:

Briefly, though, Rodriguez stabbed and killed a woman with whom he had a relationship. Her name was Carmen Santos. This happened in his apartment in Perth Amboy on November 13, 1989. Santos died from excessive blood loss resulting from multiple stab wounds to her face, arms and torso. After murdering Santos, Rodriguez ran out of his apartment naked and rode a bicycle, bragging he killed his wife (they were not married). He crashed and hit his head and was then apprehended. Rodriguez was found guilty of aggravated manslaughter. He was also found guilty of possession of weapons for an unlawful purpose (ma-



Crime Scene on Smith Street
*Photo by Joe Bayona



Close up of messages of sympathy on the memorial on Smith Street
*Photo by Carolyn Maxwell

chete, knife, and razor blade). He served 14 years in prison but his case was later reopened in 2003.

Rodriguez had previously been married to another woman and had a history of domestic violence against his ex-wife. A forensic psychiatrist, Dr. Welner, was called in to testify. He cited the defendant's history of domestic violence against his ex-wife. Rodriguez' ex-wife told Welner that during their marriage Rodriguez threatened to kill her and even held a knife to her throat while doing so.

Rodriguez's lawyers appealed, claiming he was not responsible for his actions. He won his appeal and had a retrial.

After serving over 20 years in prison, Rodriguez was released about six years ago.

The Palace Motel is listed on the real estate website loopnet. com for sale (no price listed) and is said to have 37 rooms. A picture of the building is also on the site.

Mayor Wilda Diaz made a statement following the latest incident.

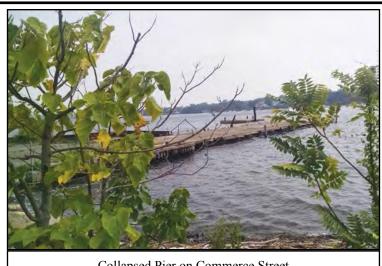
"I want to extend my sincerest sympathies and prayers to the family and friends for the tragic loss of Mr. Phil Willis, who was a loved member of our community. I also want to thank the Perth Amboy Police Department and all involved in protecting our residents and community during the incident," said Mayor Diaz.

The investigation is active and is continuing. Anyone with information is asked to call Detective Marchak of the Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office at 732-745-3254, or Detective Mohamed of the Perth Amboy Police Department at 732-442-4400.

As more details become known, the Amboy Guardian will continue to post them on our website,

4 People Rescued After Pier Collapsed

PERTH AMBOY - Around 3 p.m. on Thursday, September 3, 2015, 4 people trespassed on an old closed off pier to go fishing. The part of the pier they were standing on broke off from the main pier leaving them stranded. Rescued were 3 adults and 1 child by the Police Boat. All were unharmed.



Collapsed Pier on Commerce Street
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EDITORIAL

They Should Be Recognized

Early Thursday afternoon on 9/3/15 major TV Stations converged on Perth Amboy with News Vehicles and Helicopters flying overhead. Usually, that is not a good sign and that day this proved to be true. On that beautiful, clear, warm day a tragedy occurred. Two people were stabbed and one succumbed to their injuries. Who would expect in the early afternoon in the heart of the business district while people were out shopping, just strolling about, lunching, or just going about their daily business, that their pleasant afternoon would suddenly be turned into a scene of terror. I can't imagine, especially with someone holding the hand of their young child that suddenly they would be thrust into a situation where they would be fearful for their lives.

A stabbing first occurred inside of a building on Madison Avenue and then suddenly the perpetrator appeared on Smith Street and continued an attack on another unsuspecting person. Fortunately, the perpetrator was stopped by an on duty member of the Sheriff's Department and a passerby. I shudder to think what might have happened if the suspect wasn't subdued shortly after the second stabbing.

It could have been worse. He could have tried to kill others or even try to kill himself. Hopefully, after witnesses come forth and the dust has settled, we can get a clear picture of the attacker's motive or why this individual thought this was the only solution. I knew the victim, Phil Willis. He went to school with one of my older siblings. When I would see him, sometimes we would greet each other with a hug. We never socialized, but we would always kid each

other. I always knew him to be a kind, gentle and soft spoken man. Whenever we had a conversation, he would never talk ill about anyone. This is my personal experience with him.

The Mayor and Council have recognized groups or individuals with special citations or proclamations for contributing to the community or for acts of valor prior to the beginning of the Council Meetings. I think it would be only appropriate to give special recognition to this Officer from the Sheriff's Department and the passerby who helped subdue the attacker. With these two subduing the attacker, it enabled the police to take the suspect right into custody without a fight. These two individuals did the hard work.

They helped to protect those in harm's way. The suspect attempted to attack four people. He was successful in seriously injuring two; one who succumbed to his injuries. Swift action by two individuals helped to protect others that would be in harm's way. They put their lives in jeopardy in order to protect others. I hope to be there when the Mayor and Council gives these two individuals their due.

In spite of what happened, life does go on. The next day was as equally sunny and warm and people went about their daily activities, and again downtown Perth Amboy was bustling with people.

The only difference is that life will not be the same, especially for those who were affected by the events that occurred the day before. This includes the victims, their families and friends and those who knew the person who is now in custody for committing this viscous act. *C.M.*

THE COMMUNITY VOICE

What A Sad Time For Perth Amboy

What a sad time for Perth Amboy. I missed the last Council meeting and was shocked to find out that that Mr. Blunda was terminated without cause. If you know the reason why, Council President, I believe the residents of Perth Amboy have a right to be informed.

Not only was Mr. Blunda terminated after seven unblemished years of service to this City but the way in which it was done shows the true character of Mayor Diaz. The process was frantic, unprofessional and shameful. It seems only Fernando Irizzary and Mr. Blunda left the meeting with their integrity intact.

I also find it interesting that Mayor Diaz announced she is running for a third term within days of appointing Ms. Perez and 15 months before the election. Ms. Perez is quoted in the Amboy Guardian as saying that she considers herself both a politician and a lawyer. Nowhere in her job description as Director of Law is the term politician used. Ms. Perez will be compensated with public tax dollars mostly supplied by the over-taxed residents of Perth Amboy. I would expect that when the urge comes for Ms. Perez to be political she will resign.

Finally, some thoughts about the speech from our new law director as the keynote speaker at a brunch recognizing the

nineteenth amendment. True to her political self, Ms Perez mentioned Hillary Clinton being "qualified" to be president [the constitution states that the only qualifications for the office of President are 1- you must be a natural born citizen and 2- attained the age of 35 and been 14 years a resident of the United States]. Then she went on to say women must be supportive of other women. So my question is this—Why hasn't the Mayor been supportive of the women in the Police Department who have been harassed for years. Why has she been supporting the male harasser and not the women?

Sincerely, Kenny Balut

Displeasure in the Selection Process

I would like to express my displeasure concerning the selection process for the City Law Director. To have it appear as a late starter tells me that this appointment has been hurried and hasn't gone through a proper process. This is not acceptable.

If the emphasis is going to be just to hire a Latina, I would like to know why were there no Dominicans considered for the position. After seven years of Mayor Diaz and elections In 2008, 2010, 2012 and 2014, only one Dominican candidate has been endorsed by the Mayor; ironically he was one

of the first city employees to be let go by Mayor Diaz after she was elected in 2008. I believe ho was the highest paid Dominican in the city and Mayor Diaz terminated him (without cause).

Were any Dominicans Interviewed for the BA position, Director of Code Enforcement,

Director of Public Works, Law Director, Personnel Director, Chief of Staff, Public Information Officer, City Planner, Parking Utility Director, Recreation Supervisor or any other higher level position? There are more Dominicans in Perth Amboy than any other population group yet we are not considered by the Mayor or the Council for any Supervisory and/or policy making positions and this is

unacceptable. The hiring of the law director and other key positions In the City without a Dominican even getting an Interview has brought this issue to a boiling point.

It is time for Mayor Diaz to recognize the Dominican community; and not just by having one of us in a political position to appease us when election time comes around. Besides, what happens if we get a new Mayor - the political appointee gets fired, Just like our last one? We need to be considered during the hiring process for positions of authority.

We should no longer be taken for granted.

Sincerely, David Caba

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Community Calendar

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City Hall, High St.

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City Hall, High St.

WED. Sept. 9 City Council, Caucus, 4:30 p.m. City Hall, High St.

City Council, Regular, 7:00 p.m. City Hall, High St.

THURS. Sept. 10 Board of Education, 6 p.m. PAHS, Eagle Ave.

South Amboy

WED. Sept. 16 City Council, Regular, 7 p.m.

City Hall, N. Broadway

WED. Sept. 23 Planning Board, 7 p.m.

City Hall, N. Broadway

MON. Sept. 28 Board of Education,

Business/Public, 6 p.m. SA Middle/High School, Harold Hoffman Pl.

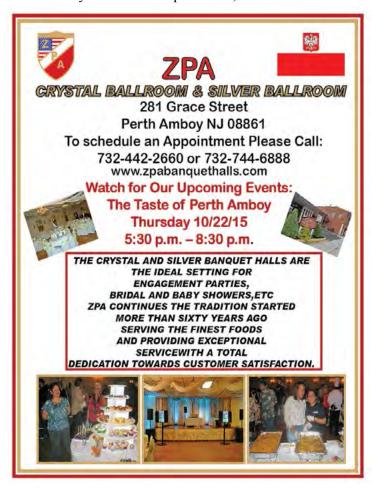


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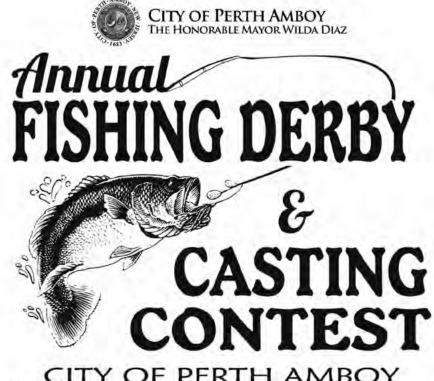












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One solution is long-term care insurance. A policy can protect your estate against the impact of extended medical or rehabilitation services. However, the cost of insurance may have you considering "taking your chances" and letting Medicare or Medicaid step in once your resources are depleted. But what happens when either you or your spouse requires nursing home care while the other is healthy and living independently?

Purchasing long-term care insurance has drawbacks. For one, if you never need long-term care, the premiums vou paid are wasted. You may be able to mitigate this somewhat by choosing a flexible policy with life insurance benefits.

Another drawback: You face the risk that the insurance company you select will go out of business. Choosing an insurer that is highly rated for financial strength can ease your mind.

On the plus side, long-term care insurance offers tax benefits. When you itemize, all or part of the premium for qualified plans are deductible as health care costs. Depending on the type of policy you buy, benefits paid are generally not considered taxable income.

If you think long-term care insurance is right for you, remember that coverage costs less when you're younger. Premiums are based on your age and health, and tend to increase past age 60. Another cost-saving move to consider is a "shared-care' policy with a combined pool of coverage that you and your spouse share.

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Car Show

EDISON - Our Lady of Peace Church "Hollywood Night Cruisers" Classic/Custom Cruise Night, 2nd Annual Classic Car Show. Free Admission. "Pig Roast & BBQ," Live DJ; Classic Cars. Saturday, September 12th (Raindate: Sept 19th) at the OLP Parish Center, Amboy Ave & Franklin Ave. Edison from 5:00 p.m. till 9:00 p.m.

Tricky Tray
HOPELAWN - Good Shepherd Parish at Most Holy Rosary Church, 625 Florida Grove Rd. in the Hopelawn section of Woodbridge, will be hosting a Tricky Tray Auction in Msgr. Gambino Hall on October 25. Admission is \$15 which includes 25 Tray Tickets, coffee and dessert. Adults only. Hall is handicapped accessible. Doors open at 12 Noon and drawing will begin at 2 p.m. There are 4 levels of prizes plus grand prizes including a Smart TV, Cancun vacation accommodation and Disney Hopper passes. Advanced ticket sale special available before 10/10/15. Currently taking reservations for tables of 6 or more. For more information and tickets, please contact: Marie at 732-442-6916 or the Parish Office at 732-826-4859 or by email at gstrickytray@gmail.com.

Atlantic City Trip

PERTH AMBOY - To Resorts Casino (Atlantic City) Sunday, October 11. Bus leaves 12 Noon from St. Peter's Church, 183 Rector St., Perth Amboy. Cost is \$30 pp. with \$27 Slot Dollars Return. For more info call 732-826-1594.

Networking Event

WOODBRIDGE - 1st Annual Under the Tent Last Days of Summer Outdoor Networking Event, September 21 from 4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at 430 Rahway Avenue, Woodbridge Berkeley College in partnership with Edison Chamber of Commerce, Gateway Regional Chamber of Commerce, Greater Elizabeth Chamber of Commerce, Middlesex County Regional Chamber of Commerce, Statewide Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey, Woodbridge Chamber of Commerce, is proud to present the first annual outdoor networking event. Enjoy networking, hors d'oeuvres, and music. Event is free to chamber and non chamber members alike but is limited to the first 250 responses.

Please RSVP to: http://berkeleycollege.edu/lp/2015/underthe-tent/index.htm

Meatloaf Fundraiser

SOUTH AMBOY - The South Amboy Elks End of Summer Meatloaf Dinner Fundraiser will be held Thursday September 17th from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at 601 Washington Ave, South Amboy. All Members and Guests are welcome to enjoy a delicious Meatloaf Dinner with us as summer is ending. Dinner includes: Meatloaf, Potatoes, Mashed String Beans, Salad, Dessert and Coffee. Price: \$10 pp. For Additional info call 732-727-7170.

Civil War Roundtable

WOODBRIDGE - The Robert E. Lee Civil War Roundtable of Central New Jersey will meet at the Woodbridge Public Library on September 14 at 7 p.m. The guest speaker for the evening will be Mark Luongo and his topic will be "Major Hildebrandt, 39th New York." The meeting is free of charge and open to the public.

The Robert E. Lee Civil War Library and Research Center at 94 Green Street, Woodbridge is open Saturday mornings at 10:00. Stop by and browse thru one of the largest collections of Civil War books in the state of New Jersey. You can also visit us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/rleecwrtlibrary.

POW/MIA **Program** SAYREVILLE - I

Ladies Auxiliary and Post Commander Post #4699 Jernee Mills Road will hold a POW/ MIA[Missing in Actions] of Sayreville Program on September 29 at 7 p.m. at the post hall. American Legion #211 and Sayreville Honor Guard will post the colors. Everyone is welcome to attend to honor the missing soldiers of our POW/MIA programs. For more info call 732-264-3041. Refreshment will be served.

PAHS Class of 1960 Reunion

PERTH AMBOY - The PAHS Class of 1960 will be holding their 55 year reunion at the Hotel Woodbridge at Metropark in Iselin, NJ the weekend of September 18th, 19th and 20th. We have a Friday get together, Saturday dinner dance and Sunday brunch. You are able to come to any or all of the events. We have accommodation arrangements with the hotel for the weekend. For any further information, please contact Linda at 732-826-6794.

We are looking forward to a great reunion. Your being there will certainly add to the enjoyment!!! It's always great to revisit with you every five years, but we're also anxious to visit with those of you we haven't seen in a longer time - some not since 1960! Let this be the year you make the commitment to join us. Please don't let another reunion pass you by.

PAHS Class of 1985 Reunion

PERTH AMBOY - PAHS Class of 1985 & Friends 30 Year Reunion is the event of the year! If you graduated between 1982 and 1988, join the party! All paid guests, friends and other classmates are welcome to join us (21 and over please). Invite your friends! This is going to be EPIC! PAHS Class of 1985 & Friends 30 Year Reunion, Saturday, October 24 at The Forge in Woodbridge, New Jersey

Our night begins with cocktails at 7 p.m., followed by a sit down dinner with an Open Bar! Please set up your safe transportation. Enjoy Dinner, Drinks, Dancing and Fun Times! RSVP: September 18th to secure your cost per person at \$75*; Tickets purchased after 18th will rise to \$85** pp. After October 21st, tickets will be \$100*** through event date. This Reunion will be like no other! For more information visit us on facebook https://www.facebook.com/ events/1471072603193926/ or contact Cecilia Crespo at ccsplan15@gmail.com

AC Bus Trip

PERTH AMBOY monthly trip to Caesar's Casino, AC will be on Thursday, Oct. 1. Bus leaves 12 Noon from KOC, 228 High St., Perth Amboy. Cost: \$30 pp. Receive \$30 slot play. For additional info call Helen: 732-826-3752.

PAHS Class of 1970 Reunion

PERTH AMBOY - P.A.H.S. CLASS OF 1970, "45th Class Reunion," October 3, 2015, The Forge, Route 9, Woodbridge, NJ 07095, 6:30 p.m. - 11:30 p.m., Gourmet Buffet-5hr open bar-DJ, \$80 Per person. Payment due in full by August 1, 2015 –(sorry no refunds). Accommodations: Hampton Inn, Route 9, Woodbridge, NJ 07095. Mention PAHS REUNION & receive special rates (732-855-6900). Contacts: PAHS1970@aol. Tom:732-583-3527. com, Mail & Address checks to: PAHS CLASS OF 70, 10 Hamble Rd. Little Egg Harbor, NJ 08087. LOOKING FOR-WARD TO SEEING EVERY-ONE! Please try and reserve your hotel room by Sept 5 to get the "discount" price.

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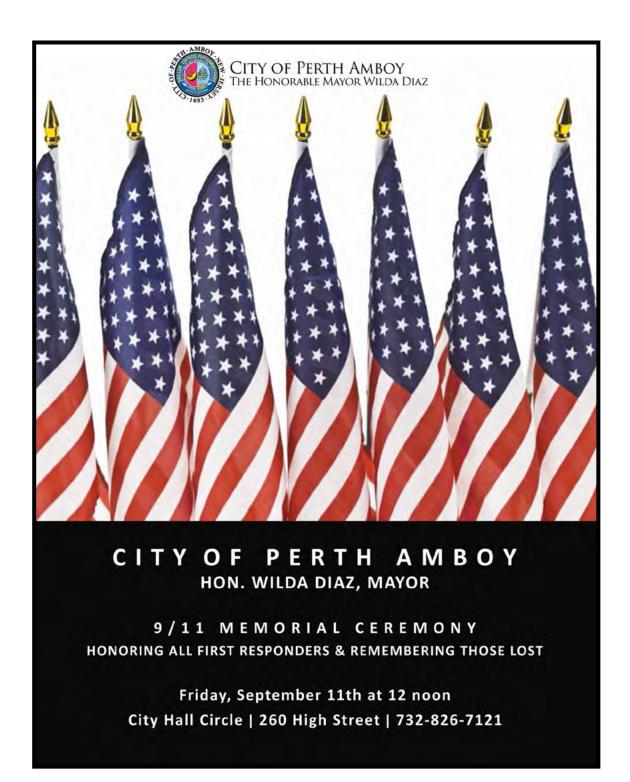
Classic Car Show Co-sponsored by the

Perth Amboy Police Dept., Perth Amboy Department of Recreation, and Raritan Bay Cruisers

Press Release PERTH AMBOY - The City of Perth Amboy and the Perth Amboy Business Improvement District are excited to announce this year's Classic Car Show taking place on Saturday, September 12th, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Historic City Hall Circle. All are welcome to attend this free event which will feature DJ sensation, "Richie the DJ," live music by doo-wop group, Sounds of the Street, delicious food by our local, Perth Amboy vendors and over 75 classic cars of all makes and models. For this year's event, we are asking all participating car owners for a donation of a nonperishable canned food item which will be donated to the Perth Amboy Salvation Army. In case of inclement weather, this event will take place on Sunday, September 13th, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you have any questions or would like to display your classic car at this event, please call the Business Improvement District office: (732) 442-6421, rtroche@per-

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Memorial Service"
Woodbridge to Honor
9/11 Victims & First
Responder Community
Fri., Sept. 11, 2015 at
6:00 p.m.

Press Release 9/3/15 WOODBRIDGE - The Office of the Mayor, Municipal Council, the Woodbridge Interfaith Clergy Council, the Woodbridge Township Emergency Response community, and the Woodbridge Township Veterans Alliance, will host an Interfaith Memorial Service to commemorate the 14th Anniversary of the September 11, 2001 attacks on the World Trade Center, Pentagon, and the heroic actions of the citizens aboard United Airlines Flight 93. The service will honor the nine Woodbridge Township residents who tragically lost their lives in the 9/11 terror attack, the Woodbridge Township First Responder community and the many faiths and ethnicities that make Woodbridge one community.

Mayor John E. McCormac, State, County and Municipal Officials, Woodbridge Interfaith Clergy Council, Rev. James F. Thomas, First Presbyterian Church of Iselin, Representatives of the Woodbridge Township Emergency Services Community, Members of the Woodbridge Township Veterans Alliance, Woodbridge High School Choir, Woodbridge Township Community & Residents

The service will take place Fri., Sept. 11, 2015 ~ 6:00 p.m. at Woodbridge Township Municipal Building, 9/11 Memorial Park (outside in front of Town Hall), One Main Street, Woodbridge.





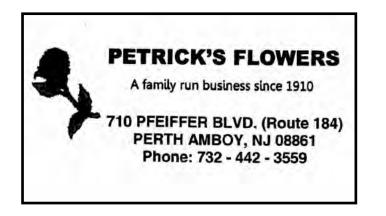


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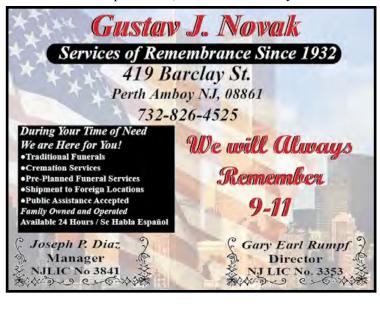
SOUTH AMBOY - The South Amboy Fire Department Independence Engine and Hose will be selling 9/11 Pavers. Cost is \$50 per paver. For more information and to request a form, please contact Phil English at 732-688-7956.



September 11th Memorial Service

Press Release

SAYREVILLE - The Borough of Sayreville will be hosting the 14th Annual Memorial Service to remember the victims of September 11, 2001. The Memorial Service will be held at 7:30 p.m., Thursday September 10th rain or shine at the Sayreville Borough 9/11 Memorial in Burke's Park, Washington Road. Those wishing to attend are asked to arrive by 7:00 p.m. For more information contact Kenneth Kelly, Program Coordinator at 732-727-1724.





Pallone Joins 9/11 First Responders and NJ & NY Colleagues at Ground Zero to Call for Zadroga Reauthorization

News Release 9/3/15 LONG BRANCH - As the

14th anniversary of the September 11, 2001 attacks approaches, Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr. (NJ-06), Ranking Member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, and a bipartisan group of his New Jersey and New York colleagues called on Congress to prevent the expiration of the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act. The Members of Congress were joined by first responders and survivors at Ground Zero. Reauthorization of the legislation would ensure first responders and survivors of the 9/11 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center continue to receive the monitoring and care they need. Pallone is an original co-sponsor of the bill and, as the lead Democrat on the House Energy and Commerce Committee, has been integral in securing a June hearing and advancing the bill.

"On 9/11, first responders answered our call for help when we needed them most. Yet, with the 14th anniversary approaching, many are

still forced to deal with the enduring after-effects of their service at Ground Zero. We owe it to them to reauthorize the Zadroga Act so they can continue to receive the care they rely on," said Congressman Pallone. "I am glad we were able to secure a hearing in my Committee, which was a critical first step toward passage. But as the anniversary approaches and as expiration of the program draws closer every day, Congress must redouble its efforts and renew its commitment to our 9/11 heroes."

In addition to his efforts to advance the legislation in his Committee, Pallone has consistently made it a priority to call attention to the need for reauthorization. Prior to the June hearing, Pallone toured and held a press conference with first responders at the World Trade Center (WTC) Health Program clinic at EOHSI in Piscataway, NJ.

In 2011, the bipartisan James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act of 2010 was signed into law, establishing the WTC Health

Program and the Nationwide Provider Network and reopened the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund (VCF). The programs provide the thousands of 9/11 responders and their survivors with medical treatment for 9/11-related health conditions and economic compensation for losses resulting from the attack. Without reauthorization, the WTC Health Program will expire in October of this year and the VCF will expire in 2016.

In addition to providing health care services, the legislation directs the Department of Health and Human Services to conduct and support research into new conditions that may be related to the attacks and to evaluate emerging methods of diagnosis and treatment. The program builds on the expertise of the Centers of Excellence, which are currently providing high-quality care to thousands of responders and ensuring ongoing data collection and analysis to evaluate health risks.



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YMCA Member-led Community Service program

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RARITAN BAY AREA YMCA 357 New Brunswick Avenue Perth Amboy, NJ 08861

Togetherhood's 9/11 Day of Service Project "PRESCHOOL BACKPACK SUPPLY DRIVE" September 11th

Learning doesn't have to stop after the school bell rings. Help give 100 Preschool children and families in your community a new backpack filled with supplies to enhance learning at home. Together we can help children learn, grow and thrive.

We have been collecting: Backpacks for boys and girls 3-5, Crayons, Beginner/Fat pencils, PreK – books, Workbooks, Coloring books, Puzzles, Flashcards and more.

Volunteers are needed to help sort and pack supplies for this project.

To learn more about our Togetherhood program and how to get involved, stop by our member service desk or **contact Sholonda Chipepo** at 732-442-3632 ext. 6506 / email schipepo@rbymca.org. Together, we are helping children learn and thrive in school, stay in school, and build a bright future.

See more at: http://www.voa-ncnn.org/operation-backpack#sthash.lnoy]2bV.dpuf

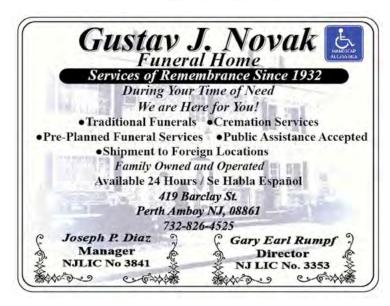
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BBQ Showdown

SOUTH AMBOY - Sunday, Sept. 27 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Raritan Bay Waterfront Park, South Amboy. Featuring BBQ Vendors plus other Food Selections - Plus Live Music, Vendors and Activities. Shuttle Service available. No parking at the park the day of the event. Free Admission. Food and Drinks must be purchased. For more information call 1-855-478-6888 or go to www.irunnewjersey.com

\$100 Worth of Food for \$40

PERTH AMBOY - \$100 of groceries for \$40 ... Does that interest you? The Jolin Food Box program is designed to provide families with nationally branded food products at wholesale prices. On behalf of the Cathedral's Community Development Corporation, the Jewish Renaissance Foundation's AmeriCorps is helping promote the Jolin Food Box. Check out https://jolinfoodbox.com/ Home Page.html or contact us at 732-324-2114 x113

Military Assistance Center

WOODBRIDGE - Sansone Auto Mall and Woodbridge Township are sponsoring a Military Assistance Center, 3rd Floor, Town Hall. Ronald G. Davie, Coordinator. 732-634-4500 ext. 2037. Email - Ron. Davie@twp.woodbridge.nj.us

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Code Combat

SOUTH AMBOY - Code Combat Tuesdays 1 p.m. at the Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. For more info call 732-721-6060.

Ballroom Dancing Social

SOUTH AMBOY - Always wanted to learn Latin ballroom and swing dancing? Here's your opportunity! The "Women with Purpose" committee of Christ Church South Amboy invites you to their Ballroom Dancing Social with Instruction to be held on Friday, September 18th from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. at Memorial Hall on 210 Main Street, South Amboy. The evening will feature 1 hour of formal Latin ballroom dance instruction followed by dancing social mixers with instructors available to assist you. Admission is \$15 per person. There will be light refreshments served. Door prize giveaway. BYOB-Beer and/or Wine only. For more information and/or to purchase tickets call 732-525-9759 or 732-598-0134.

Tricky Tray

German Shepherd Rescue Tricky Tray Fundraiser Event, Saturday, September 26 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the VFW Hall, 575 Jernee Mill Rd., Sayreville. Advance Tickets \$15. Admission price includes cake, coffee, soda, 1 sheet Tier 1 tickets & Door Prize ticket. If registered and paid by September 5. Visit GSGSR.org to purchase your tickets today! Coffee baskets, beauty baskets, candle baskets, restaurant and gift cards, pet baskets. holiday baskets, snow blower, sewing machine, tools, professional gift certificates, Plus much, much, more! For more info call Angela at 732-857-5000 or email GSGSRtrickytray@gmail.com@yahoo.com

Learn To Solder Workshop SOUTH AMBOY - T

SOUTH AMBOY - Tuesday, Sept. 15 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Dowdell Library, Adjacent to High School, South Amboy. Participants **must** sign-up to hold space! Young Adults **must** have parents sign permission form. For more info call 732-721-6060.

NJ Sharing Network Flag Flying at Raritan Bay Medical Center

Press Release 9/4/15 PERTH AMBOY - Raritan Bay Medical Center's Perth Amboy hospital is flying the NJ Sharing Network flag through September 8 in remembrance of Ruden Hernandez, a Perth Amboy woman who passed away at the hospital September 1. Ms. Hernandez's decision to register as an organ donor is supported by her family; her lifelong partner Ottoniel and daughter Altagracia Galvez. Her lifesaving gifts will ensure that other families' loved ones will get a second chance at life.

"The flag raising honors the generosity of Ruden Hernandez and her family and pays tribute to their decision to donate life," said NJ Sharing Network Hospital Services Manager Melissa Peck. "The flag shows the support of the Raritan Bay Medical Center community for donor families and raises awareness of the life-saving and life-restoring value of organ and tissue donation."

NJ Sharing Network is a non-profit, federally designated organization responsible for the recovery and placement of donated organs and tissue for more than 5000 New Jersey residents in need of life-saving transplants. Anyone who wants to learn more or register to become an organ or tissue donor can visit www.NJSharingNetwork.org.

Three Area Churches to Suspend Worship and All Activities

By: Katherine Massopust PERTH AMBOY - As of Sept 14, 2015 worship and all other activities will be suspended in Holy Spirit, La Asuncion, and St. Mary's Churches in Perth Amboy.

In a letter to the parishioners from Most Rev. Paul G. Bootkoski, Bishop of Metuchen stated: "Of the City's four parishes, three – Good Shepherd, Most Holy Name of Jesus, and Saint John Paul II are operating at substantial yearly deficits. As a result, these parishes have not always been able to offer programs and services to their parishioners or keep up with their aging physical plants in need of immediate and critical attention."

Bishop Bootkoski went on to state that due to demographic shifts in the City of Perth Amboy, it is common that fewer than 100 people (many times much less than that) attend Sunday Mass in churches built to accommodate 600 or more worshipers. Bishop Bootkoski also stated in the letter that due to the decline in ordinations to the priesthood in the Diocese of Metuchen that: ". . . it is no longer feasible or good stewardship to keep open the three churches in each of the aforementioned parishes."

Bishop Bootkoski stated in the letter that he is committed to working with six churches in the Hopelawn/Perth Amboy area who offer Masses in English, Spanish, Polish and Portuguese. "Every Perth Amboy pastor has expressed his commitment to welcoming parishioners who will find it more practical to attend to one of their churches."

Bishop Bootkoski stated at the end of the letter: "I cannot in conscience allow a parish to compromise its future, even its very existence, by devoting or using up most of its resources on buildings, however cherished."

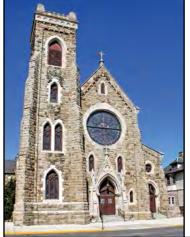
As one St. Mary's parishioner said, "It's a sad chapter in the history of the Catholic Churches in Perth Amboy, but we hope to continue being



La Asuncion
*Photos by Paul W. Wang



Holy Spirit





(R) St. Mary's Church (L) One of the spindles that once were on top of the Church tower

members of the newly formed Good Shepherd, Most Holy Name of Jesus and St. John Paul II Parish."

Another parishioner from Holy Spirit said, "It's very sad. My family originally was from Holy Trinity before I was born. Then we came over to Holy Spirit. My children and I had all their sacraments there. All my friends that I grew up with went to Holy Spirit. I knew everybody in the parish. It's very sad to see this happen. Now I have to move over to Holy Rosary. It's not that bad a transition because I have connections in that parish as well."

The final Mass at St. Mary's will be on Sunday, September 13, 2015 at 10 a.m. (English) and 11 a.m. (Spanish).

Friends of the Perth Amboy Free Public Library Meeting

PERTH AMBOY - The Friends of the Perth Amboy Free Public Library will be meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 16 at 7 p.m. at the Kearny Cottage, 63 Catalpa Ave., Perth Amboy. Everyone is welcome to attend. For more info call 732-797-8074.

Yoga Classes
SOUTH AMBOY - Yoga

SOUTH AMBOY - Yoga classes at the Knights of Columbus in South Amboy, 308 fourth street, are ongoing. Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m. A mat is required. Part of the proceeds benefit the Colombian Club council No. 426. Drop in rate is \$10. Packages available at a reduced rate. Pre-registration required. Please call Denise 732-525-9536 or email healthandfitnesswithdenise@gmail.com

Afterschool Program

SOUTH AMBOY - The South Amboy YMCA is offering an Afterschool program. In the South Amboy YMCA's afterschool program youth receive help with homework and can also explore art, swimming, sports, and so much more. Financial assistance is available to those in need, to ensure every child and teen has the opportunity to learn and grow at the Y. For more information call 732-553-9622.



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Hunger Walk

Press Release

PERTH AMBOY - The "We Care" Perth Amboy Coalition of Food Pantries in Partnership with the Episcopal Diocese of New Jersey's "Battle against Hunger" will sponsor a "Hunger Walk" to benefit the local Pantries that belong to the WE CARE Perth Amboy Coalition. The walk offers your congregation, organization or Jubilee Center the opportunity to raise funds, raise awareness and build relationships to help fight hunger and its causes in YOUR community.

- 1. Send a team of walkers and do fund-raising in your community to support your cause through them, or
- 2. Do fund-raising in your community to support your cause through individual donations. (Individual envelopes will be provided)
- 3. Donate online- Go to https://www.firstgiving.com/ battleagainsthunger/2nd-

annual-we-care-walk. Click on the Pantry Team you want support and click on dónate. Be sure to provide all the information they ask for then click. SUBMIT 100% of the funds you raise go to your congregation or the hunger-relief agency or agencies in your community that you choose to support

The Walk will take place on Saturday, September 19th. Registration starts at 9:00 a.m. The walk will commence at 10:00 a.m. and will end when our route is complete

Starts at the Perth Amboy Train Station and take us down the main street in Perth Amboy, to Water St., wind around to High St. and end at Historic St. Peter's Episcopal Church for light refreshments.

Inquiries taken at: kdejohn@ stpetersepiscopal.comThe Episcopal Diocese of New Jersev is a 501c3 tax-exempt organization

Sayreville Day SAYREVILLE - September

13th at Kennedy Park 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Sun., Contact Patti Burch. Community participation children's games, rides, foods from around the world, entertainment, craft vendors, and much, much, more.

Open Mic
SOUTH AMBOY - Friday,

September 25. South Amboy Knights of Columbus Council 426 host Open Mic again Friday September 25 beginning at 8 p.m. at 308 Fourth St. South Amboy. Free admission. If you like to sing, play a musical instrument or play with a band, come and join us. For more information call 732-721-2025

Success

CoachingPERTH AMBOY – The JRF Family Success Center helps families reach their goals. Feel free to stop by and meet with or family partners for goal planning, helping you and your family members reach your individual success. The JRF Family Center is located in the rear of the Proprietary House (149 Kearny Ave.) For more info call 732-638-5063.

Yoga Classes
PERTH AMBOY - Tuesdays beginning 9/15/15: 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., Mitruska Integrated Wellness Center, 788 Convery Blvd., Perth Amboy. Registration Required. Register today before class fills up! Call 732-324-4300 or schedule online www.mitruskawellness. com. First Class is FREE. Remember to bring your mat and

Classic Car Cruise Night

SOUTH AMBOY – Friday. September 11. South Amboy Knights of Columbus Council 426 host their fall Classic Car Cruise Night Friday September 11 from 6-9 p.m. at the parking lot on 308 Fourth St. South Amboy. Hot dogs, beverages, and music will be on hand along with vintage cars. Bring a non-perishable food item and receive a free hot dog. For more information call 732-721-2025

Soles 4 Souls

PERTH AMBOY - Wearing Out Poverty - Soles 4 Souls at Sneaker Ferry & Love Only Veins Eternity 1st Annual Shoe Drive to help fight against global poverty. Donate any new or used shoes for our shoe drive. Drop off location: Sneaker Ferry 154-156 Smith Street Perth Amboy N.J. 08861. All participants who donate will be entered in to win a raffle of \$100 towards next purchase at Sneaker Ferry. For additional information about our Shoe Drive, follow us on Instagram @spreadlove 3 & @sneakerferry.

Raritan Bay Cruisers Car Show

WOODBRIDGE - Starting on Tuesdays, May 12 - Sept. 29 from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. Weather Permitting, Pizza Hut, Rte. 9, Woodbridge, (Wal-Mart Parking Lot). Trophy's Awarded. For More Info Call 732-585-

X-Box

SOUTH AMBOY - X-Box Fridays from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. For more info call 732-721-6060.

Little Scientists

SOUTH AMBOY - Little Scientists Fridays at 1 p.m. at the Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. Ages 3-5 yrs. For more info call 732-721-6060.

P.A. Dems **Picnic**

WOODBRIDGE - Join us for 2015 Perth Amboy Democratic Organization Picnic, Sunday, September 13, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Warren Park, Florida Grove Rd., tickets: \$15 pp. Food, music, entertainment, fun. For more info call 732-925-4089.

> Pancake Breakfast

SAYREVILLE -Pancake Breakfast Sponsored by Morgan Lions Club on Sunday, October 4 at Eisenhower School, Ernston Road, Sayreville from 8:a.m. to 12 Noon; Adults \$7; Children [under 12] \$3. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

Fernando Silva

PERTH AMBOY - The Magical & Romantic City of Perth Amboy Fine Art Exhibit & Installation at the Perth Amboy Gallery for the Arts, 339 Reade St.; Opening Reception Thursday, Sept. 17th from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Exhibit runs through Oct. 5th. Free and open to the public. For more info call 732-826-1692 xt.4325.

St. Stan's Coach Bingo

SAYREVILLE - St. Stan's Home School Association is sponsoring their 3rd Annual Coach Bingo & Tricky Tray fundraiser on Friday. October 16th at the School Gym, 221 MacArthur Ave., Sayreville. Doors open 5:30 p.m. Calling begins at 7:30 p.m. Ticket Price \$30 - includes 12 games (3 cards per game), coffee, tea, & desserts.

Attendees are welcome to bring their own food/refreshments. The Kitchen will be serving a late night appetizer menu for purchase. Tickets can be purchased in the Parish Office 732-254-0212 or by contacting Gina at 732-432-

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Trip to Rocking Horse Ranch

PERTH AMBOY - The Holy Spirit Seniors in Perth Amboy is sponsoring a trip to Rocking Horse Ranch Resort in N.Y. Mon. Sept. 28 to Fri. Oct. 2, 2015. All are welcome! Price is \$615 each person for double occupancy, \$605 each for triple occupancy and \$715 each for single. Initial deposit of \$100 is due now. Final payment is due Aug. 15, 2015. Price includes: all meals, activities, indoor pool, horseback rides, taxes, tips and bus. For more info, please contact: Sue Shevchenko 732-442-1976

Polish Night Buffet and Dance

SAYREVILLE - St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish, 225 MacArthur Ave., Sayreville presents: Tony Blazoncka, "New Phaze," Son of the late and great Eddie B. Sr. of Chicago Push preserving the music we love! Please join us and witness "his father in him". Keep Polkas alive in 2-0-1-5! Saturday, September 26. Doors open at 6:00 pm, buffet at 6:30 p.m. \$30 Buffet and Dance; \$15 Dance only (Not admitted before 7:30 pm). For further information, please call Bernie 732-710-0016 or 732-210-4081 or Connie: 732-614-3835 or the Church Office: 732-254-0212. Please reserve your table early.

Zumba

PERTH AMBOY - FSC is bringing Zumba back to our center. Every 1st and 4th Wednesday from 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. at the Recreation center located at 1 Olive St. Perth Amboy. For further information please call 732-638-5063 or visit our office located at: 149 Kearny Ave. Perth Am-

South Amboy YMCA Registration for Fall I **Programs**

Press Release SOUTH AMBOY - The South Amboy YMCA Fall I Programs starts on September 8 through November 1. Registration opens up for full facility members on Monday, August 24 and open registration on Monday, August 31. You can either stop in to register at the Members Services Desk or online which is a convenient way to register for your favorite YMCA programs. Just go to vmcaofmewsa.org and follow the directions to log onto your membership account. If you have any questions, please call our Member Services Desk at 732-553-9622.

Edison AARP #3446

EDISON - Edison AARP Chapter 3446 will meet on Monday, September 21, 2015 at 1:00 pm. The meeting will be held at our new location, Our Lady of Peace Parish Center, Franklin Avenue, Fords. Moonlight Duo (featuring Karen Penoce on Cello & Claudia Lemmerz on piano) will provide entertainment at the meeting. A day trip on October 13th to the Brownstone for Octoberfest is planned. Call Mary Ann, 732-287-3659 for reservations. Dues for the coming season will be collected at the meeting, as well as canned food for MCFOOD, miscellaneous items for nursing homes & hospitals, used eyeglasses for the Lyons Club, and can tabs for Ronald Mc-Donald House in New Brunswick. For additional information, visit our website at www. edisonaarp.org.

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.

2015 New Jersey Recovery Walk*Rally

JERSEY CITY - New Jersey Recovery Walk*Rally, - Sunday, September 27. Rain or Shine at Liberty State Park. Walk begins at 10:00 a.m. Team and banner registration starts at 9:00 a.m. Rally to follow at Noon. For information, banner contest and team registration, email: NJRecoveryRally@aol.com Join Us in Celebrating the Reality of Recovery! **FREE**

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Tricky Tray PERTH AMBOY - Tricky

PERTH AMBOY - Tricky Tray Auction September 20. Doors open at 3 p.m. at St. Peter's Episcopal Parish House 183 Rector Street, Perth Amboy. Admission is \$5.

Lego ToddlersSOUTH AMBOY - Ages 2-3

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

Plays in the Park

EDISON - Alladin Jr.: Our 23rd Annual Indoor Children's Musical Adults - \$3.00, Children 12 and Under \$2.00.; Oct. 10, 11, 17, 18 and 24 at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Tickets are sold on the day of performance only. No advance sales. CASH ONLY at the box office for summer shows. Plays-inthe-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

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WED. Sept. 9 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
 Ukrainian Assumption Seniors, 12 Noon Church Basement, Alta Vista Pl.

THURS. Sept. 10 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.

MON. Sept. 14 St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m.,

Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.

TUES. Sept. 15 Holy Spirit Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Church Hall, Brace Ave.

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

WED. Sept. 16 Holy Rosary Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Auditorium, Florida Grove Rd.

• St. Stephen's Seniors, 1 p.m., Cafeteria, State St. THURS. Sept. 17 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m.,

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South Amboy

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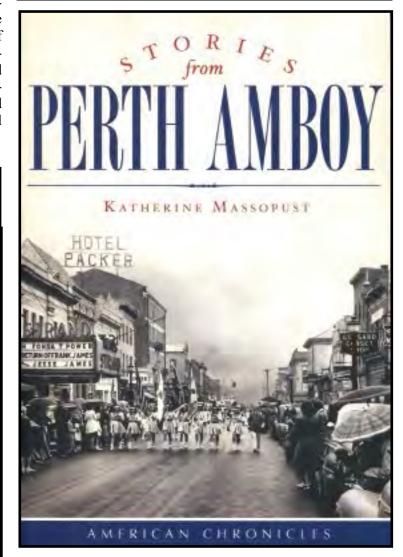
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LOOKING BACK



PERTH AMBOY - Students and Faculty pose for the Class Photo in 1908 in front of Perth Amboy High School (Now McGinnis School) on State Street.

*Photo Courtesy of Ray

This Photo was restored under a grant for the Kearny Cottage Archiving project by the Middlesex Cultural and Heritage Commission

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