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Pitre Fields Questions About Needed Equipment

1/25/16 Caucus Meeting & 1/27/16 Council Meeting

PERTH AMBOY - Perth Amboy Fire Chief Abraham Pitre fielded questions regarding equipment for the Fire Department dealing with 4 resolutions. For additional information, the Amboy Guardian contacted Chief Pitre.

R-64 - Authorizing the City of Perth Amboy to submit an application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the FY 2016 staffing for Adequate Fire Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant. Pitre explained, "We are hoping to secure the grant to hire additional firefighters."

R-65 - Authorizing the proper City officials to apply for the Department of Homeland Security - Port Security Grant Program 2016 - for a foam firefighting apparatus and quick attack truck. "This vehicle is a pickup truck with 3 to 5 large nozzles depending on how it's configured. It will carry 4000 gallons of foam and will be used to protect the refinery areas."

R-69 - Authorizing a contract

with Mall Chevrolet for the purchase of one (1) 2016 Express 2500 passenger van under State Contract No. A82890 in an amount not to exceed \$23,590.00 for the Fire Department. "The 2500 passenger van will be used for the Volunteer Division as a staff vehicle, replacing some of the older equipment. One use will be to provide transportation to the Fire Academy for training. This is a Capitol Improvement Item."

R-71 - Authorizing a contract with Lifesavers, Inc. for automated external defibrillators and CPR equipment for training under State Contract No. A84689 in an amount not to exceed \$38,597.40. "Every City Building will have at least 1 unit which will have display screens which will show how to use the defibrillators and CPR equipment. Every City Employee will be certified in its use. Some of the units being replaced are over 20 years old."

During the public portion of the 1/27/16 Council Meeting,



**Perth Amboy Fire Chief
Abraham Pitre**

Resident Ken Balut was pleased with Resolution R-71. "I'm happy that the City is purchasing defibrillators and detectors. That's a good thing."

Councilman Bill Petrick moved all the Resolutions the Consent Agenda and they were seconded by Councilman Fernando Irizarry. All the Resolutions were approved. Councilman Fernando Gonzalez was not present because he was on vacation.

Let's Get This Done! 2/3/16 Business Meeting

SOUTH AMBOY - Ordinance #5-2016 - 1st Reading - Ordinance of the Municipal Council of the City of South Amboy, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey authorizing the entering of a boundary line agreement with Manhattan Beach Club, LLC.

R-47 - Resolution Approving an Agreement Between the County of Middlesex and the City of South Amboy for the Improvements of Main Street from Broadway to Radford Ferry Road Bridge.

City Attorney John Lanza told the Council Members that Middlesex County is doing repairs on the road between Main Street and Radford Ferry Road. "This would be the Raritan Park Project. The City is working on the sewer line. We have to complete this project before the County can start doing their work."

City Engineer Mark Rasimowicz interjected, "We have to act on this resolution tonight because the Freeholder Meeting is coming up soon. If we don't do this now before that meeting, it's going to delay the project."

Attorney John Lanza said,

"The Manhattan Beach Club LLC sent over information with slight adjustments to the boundaries for their project."

Lanza asked City Engineer Mark Rasimowicz if he had a chance to look over the changes submitted by the Manhattan Beach Club LLC. Rasimowicz stated, "I have just received the information tonight and will review what was sent over prior to the next Council Meeting (2/17/16). It looks like there may be gaps or an overlay on the boundaries."

Lanza said, "It appears when we did a land swap on a piece of property that the City owned for a short period of time may be the reasons the boundaries have to be adjusted."

Engineer Mark Rasimowicz said, "The boundaries are adjacent to the Radford Ferry Road Project, therefore you have to make sure everything is okay."

Councilwoman Christine Noble moved to adopt Resolution R-47 and Councilman Reilly seconded it.

Councilman Donald Applegate was absent from the Meeting.

Questioning Date Change for BOE Election 1/25/16 Caucus Meeting

PERTH AMBOY - Communication #3 Jessika Kleen, Esq. of the Machado Law Group advising that the Perth Amboy Board of Education adopted a resolution on January 12, 2016, moving the elections from November to the third Tuesday in April. (1/19/16)

Councilman Fernando Irizarry was very concerned about this communication. He wanted to know what was the rational for the BOE changing the date. "Will it cost the City some money?"

He asked the Law Director to contact the Board of Education Lawyer for more information.

Law Director Arlene Quinones Perez said, "The Council can add your input, but I will contact the Board of Education Attorney per your request."

In October 2010, the City



**Councilman
Fernando Irizarry**

Council voted to shift the City's non-partisan elections from May to November with the first Balloting held in conjunction with the General Election in November 2012. As a result of this, Mayor Diaz along with her running mates from 2008: Ken Balut and



**Law Director
Arlene Quinones-Perez**

Fernando Gonzalez had their terms extended by 6 months. The Board of Education also moved their elections to November effective in 2012. The Board Members who term were to expire in April 2012 were also had their terms extended as well.

Noble to be City Liaison 2/3/16 Business Meeting

SOUTH AMBOY - Consent Agenda - R - 2016 - Resolution Appointing City Council Representatives to Middlesex County Housing and Community Development Committee.

Councilwoman Christine Noble was the liaison last year to sit on the committee for the Housing and Community Development and agreed to do so again this year.

Business Administrator Camille Tooker gave an overview on how the City used the funds from last year. She said first, "The committee will meet prior to the next Council Meeting. Last year, the money was used for the sidewalk programs. The committee will decide what projects need to be done first and if the money granted this year needs to be continued for any more sidewalk improve-



**Councilwoman
Christine Noble**

ments. The committee will determine what projects need to be done so they could send this information to the Middlesex County Housing Authority for approval.

Perth Amboy Council Meeting - 2/10/16 - 7 p.m.

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No Bid Contracts

2/3/16 Business Meeting

SOUTH AMBOY - Consent Agenda - Awarding State Contracts - Councilman Thomas Reilly questioned why there were no bids for contracts that had to do with vendors supplying various services to the City. These no bid contracts included: automotive parts and supplies, fuel cost, services for tires, cellular phone services and heating oil.

Business Administrator Camille Tooker explained, "The City has been dealing with these same contractors for these various items for years

and the State is also familiar with these vendors. Based on our past experience with these vendors, we find that their services and cost beneficial to the City."

Resolution - Increasing a contract with Special Services Engineer 2015 (Resolution to be Prepared).

Business Administrator Camille Tooker said, "The Engineering Company Grotto will be doing work on the Radford Ferry Road Project. A Resolution with a more detailed explanation will be prepared by

our City Engineer."

City Attorney Lanza said, "The firm, Grotto Engineer will be the liaison between myself, the Department of Transportation, the City Engineer and City Officials to give us an update on the road leading to the Ferry."

City Engineer Mark Rasimowicz said, "Grotto Engineer is right now doing environmental remediation at the site. That's where we are at now."

Councilman Donald Applegate was not present at the Meeting.

Knitting Club

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. Teens & Adults. For more info call 732-721-6060.

Mah Jongg

PARLIN - Looking for something fun to do? The Friends of Sayreville Public Library invite you to come play Mah Jongg in the Young Adult Room. Sunday, February 21, 2016 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. New and experienced members welcome. This event is FREE and Mah Jongg sets and cards will be available for use by all players. 1050 Washington Road, Parlin. For more information, please call Elaine (732) 727-0192. 2/3

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& Recorded
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SOUTH AMBOY - Your fall cleanout is done and you're wondering what to do with all of those unwanted DVD's, CD's, and video games. How about donating them to South Amboy's Sadie Pope Dowdell Library? Just bring those unwanted items to the library, during regular hours. No VHS please!

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Little Scientists

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South Amboy 9/11 Memorial

Pavers

SOUTH AMBOY - The 9-11 Memorial Committee is selling 9/11 Pavers. The applications can be picked up at the SAFD Independence Engine & Hose Co. Firehouse on Broadway. Cost is \$50 per paver. For more info please contact 9/11 Memorial Committee Chair Phil English at 732-688-7956.

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St. John's Selects New Church Council

Press Release
PERTH AMBOY - On January 1, 2016 after New Year's Day services St. John's First Hungarian Wend Evangelical Lutheran Church located at 664 Amboy Ave., Perth Amboy selected a new Church Council: Matthew DeClementi, President, Yolanda Kardos, Vice President, Lorraine McCartney, Secretary and John Yuhas, Treasurer. St. John's welcomes all to its 10 a.m. Sunday services. If wish to know more about St. John's Lutheran Church please go to www.lutheranonline.com/stjohnsperthamboy or check out our Facebook page.

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LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

EDITORIAL

Sentimental Reasons?
We Think Not!

I didn’t watch the Republican Debate this past Saturday 2/6/16. On some of the Sunday Morning 2/7/16 newscast, of course they played some of the heated lively exchange between some of the candidates. The exchange between Donald Trump and Jeb Bush caught my attention because it had to do with seizing private property through eminent domain. As we all know, when Donald Trump was heavily invested in his casinos in A.C. he purchased privately owned property that he needed for parking facilities.

An A.C. Resident, Vera Coking and her husband had bought a 29 room boarding house in 1961 for \$20,000. In 1978, She was offered \$1 million for that property by magazine owner Bob Guccione who needed her property to build a casino/hotel. She said, “No deal!”

Eventually Guccione ran out of money and could not complete his project.

Fast Foward 1993: This is when Donald Trump entered the scene.

Trump wanted to build his own casino/hotel at the same spot where Guccione wanted to build. He was able to make a deal with a restaurant that received \$2.1 million and the another property which was a pawn shop that received \$1.6 million. The third property that Trump wanted which was the boarding house owned by Coking.

Trump offered her \$2 million but she gave him the same response that she said to Guccione, “No deal!”

When Coking refused to sell her house to Trump, he turned to the City Officials to convince them that Coking’s house was an eyesore. The City wanted to compensate her \$251,000. She fought the City in court. The Court cited on a case that was brought before the Supreme Court (Kelo vs. City of New London). Coking won her case.

Coking remained in that boarding house until she retired and moved to California in 2010 to be near her grandson.

The myth is that Trump actually took the property from her underneath her nose. That was not true. I happened to be listening to the radio this morning (Sunday 2/7/16) and the host of the show’s name is Frank Marano.

He is a very young and astute authority on politics and also loves Atlantic City. It’s because of him giving out the address of that infamous boarding house in Atlantic City that I was able to Google all this information.

Donald Trump had offered Miss Coking \$2 million for her property plus housing for the rest of her life on one of his properties. As anybody knows, Trump is not a slumlord. In one word his properties are GORGEOUS!

This was not “Let’s Make a Deal” where you have to choose what’s behind curtains “1, 2 & 3” and hope that you don’t choose the curtain that had a billy goat with a \$10 prize taped to his collar.

Trump made Coking a sweet deal, but she wanted *more* - \$5 million. It seemed in the beginning she was holding onto the property because of sentimental reasons. It was the summer home that she and her husband purchased and she just couldn’t bear to give it up. Wrong! She just wanted more money, but it backfired on her.

Coking’s grandson tried to sell the house for \$5 million in 2011. No buyers were interested. It ended up on the auction block and sold for \$530,000 on July 31, 2014 and was soon demolished.

Quick synopsis: 1961 bought a boarding house for \$20,000; 1978 offered \$1 million - turned that down. 1993 - offered \$2 million + lifetime residency in one of Trump’s properties - turned that down.

We’re not Vera and we don’t know what her circumstances were back then. In the 1990’s Atlantic City had a lot of empty property and some properties that were in need of renovation that included boarding houses. Some of them are still standing today. Some were in parts of the City that casinos were not interested in. She was offered a sweet deal but chose the curtain with the billy goat and the \$10 bill around its neck.

The bottom line is that it wasn’t sentimental reasons that she was staying in that house. She wanted \$5 million.

The moral of the story is: take opportunity when it comes knocking. It may never come knocking ever again. *C.M. & K.M. Ref: Wiki & Philly.com*

THE COMMUNITY VOICE

Opposition
Does Not
Make You a
Racist

It’s hard to believe that Stanley Bryant’s “featured letter” made it as far as it did. I have been reading Barbara Skokan’s letters for years and cannot believe that because she opposes Obama she would be declared a racist!

Obama is the most divisive president we have had in modern times. We saw it in Ferguson, MO., Baltimore, MD., and Boston, MA, among other places.

It is known that Al Sharpton was a regular visitor to the

White House. He was there 91 times! He is a well-known race baiter. He incites and inflames racial hatred wherever he goes. If any other president were influenced by such a man as Sharpton, the media would dismiss and then condemn them.

Barbara Skokan is entitled to form her own opinions of any political leader. To be branded a racist is an extreme reaction and is a classic left wing response.

Obama himself has driven a wedge between the races. For those who fought for it, freedom has a taste the protected will never know. I am a twice wounded decorated Marine Corps combat veteran. I know what freedom means to me.

It is so obvious to so many that Obama is shirking his duty

to protect the American public in the face of constant terrorist attacks around the world.

There is nothing wrong in criticizing an elected official who is supposed to answer to the constituents. Obama surrounds himself with people who mindlessly agree with him, which reminds me of the story of the emperor’s new clothes. It is a known and public fact that Obama has fallen out of favor with the majority of the American people.

If someone doesn’t agree with you, it does not make them a racist. Calling someone a racist is the last vest age of a scoundrel.

Walter Kaczmarek
Vietnam Veteran

Setting the
Record
Straight

For many decades the AFT has done absolutely nothing in Perth Amboy except collect dues and finance private parties for very select friends of the president, and administrators. How many times were members told by the AFT that they would not file a grievance for their members? How many times were members told by the AFT attorney, “There’s nothing I can do for you”? Frankly, the AFT has done nothing for its members and now wants to highlight their perceived benefits, but in reality, it has always and continues to be less than adequate representation.

NJEA and its affiliates believe in nurturing successful students, maintaining a quality work force and ensuring quality schools. NJEA and its affiliates strive for enhancing public education, organizing, and member advocacy. NJEA and its affiliates are a ground-up organization. Members vote for their building reps and leaders within their local bargaining unit. The one member, one vote principle permeates virtually every facet of NJEA and its affiliates. NJEA Policy is made by a 125 member delegate assembly. NJEA Policy is then executed by the NJEA executive committee which is also member elected.

The corner stone of NJEA is the UniServ program. NJEA has 22 UniServ Offices throughout the state staffed by UniServ Field Representatives. Field Representatives are highly trained individuals with specialties that include organizing, negotiating contracts, representing

members in grievance proceedings, representing members in grievance arbitrations, and representing members at the Public Employment Relations Commission. Field Representatives are in constant communication with local affiliates, leaders, and members. NJEA UniServ Field Representatives also train local affiliates, their leaders and members in areas of representation, school law, grievance processing and member representation.

To compliment and support field operations, NJEA has a government relations division, a communications division, a research division and a professional development division.

Every year, in November, NJEA holds the largest educators convention in the world. Two days of jam packed professional development opportunities for all members. Admission for NJEA members is free. In addition, NJEA members can attend the Exceptional Child Conference, the Tech Stock Conference, and the Summer Professional Learning Institute.

Annually, NJEA Affiliate leaders can attend advocacy workshops at either Winter Leadership Training or Summer Leadership Training.

With the legislatures recent enactment of TEACHNJ, NJEA members and their affiliates enjoy training on every facet of the new evaluations regs from SGO’s, SGP’s, to their district’s evaluation tool. Training is specialized for each affiliate and each district’s evaluation program. That is, any NJEA Local Association can get custom tailored PD training that fits the needs of their district and local.

NJEA provides legal services to all members. If you are investigated by IAIU (formerly

called DYFS), NJEA provides you an attorney at no cost. If you are charged criminally in relation to your job, NJEA provides you and attorney at no cost. If the district files tenure charges against you, NJEA provides you an attorney at no cost. NJEA network attorneys are also available for legal consultation regarding work place issues.

The NJEA dues structure is different than that of the AFT. NJEA offers more services to members and affiliates. NJEA and NJEA affiliates surpass the AFT in the representation of their locals affiliate and their members. The difference in cost between NJEA and the AFT is the amount of money that AFT members would pay to attend the NJEA conference. NJEA dues work out to be about nine dollars less in your take home pay, per check.

Due to NJEA’s size and representation of all but a handful of districts throughout the state, NJEA has a stronger voice at the State Level. On the NJ Teacher Leader Panel, NJEA has four seats and the AFT has one seat.

For the AFT to now transmit notices via mailboxes and visit members at their homes is too little too late. In fact, it is almost laughable that anyone would see their actions as true, honest or sincere. The staff in Perth Amboy Public Schools has been beaten down and left to flounder for too long. Perth Amboy members have made a choice and the choice is to put an end to the AFT and work for a better tomorrow, a tomorrow that doesn’t include the AFT.

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PERTH AMBOY - The Perth Amboy Fire Department: Volunteer Division needs members. Accepting men and women ages 18 years or older. Volunteers must be a Perth Amboy resident. For more information please contact 732-442-3430.

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. by appointment. 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

Tea Room Open

PERTH AMBOY - The Proprietary House is now open every Wednesday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. for tea and tours. The tea room has reopened, serving their usual delicious homemade cakes and assorted teas. Hostesses Dot, Helen and Joanne are back to greet you. A \$7.00 donation includes both the tea and a tour of the mansion. Although the house is still in the process of being restored, some rooms have been newly decorated, and we have acquired several pieces of antique furniture, including a 1700’s desk and game table. The gift shop is also opened. A visit to the tea room is the perfect way to spend a pleasant afternoon. Groups are welcome, although reservations are required for groups over six people. The Proprietary House is located at 149 Kearny Ave., Perth Amboy, NJ. Tel: 732-826-5527. Email: Info@proprietary-house.org.

Community Calendar

Perth Amboy	
TUES. Feb. 9	BID, 4 p.m. City Hall, High St.
	• Library Board of Trustees, 5 p.m. Library, Jefferson St.
WED. Feb. 10	City Council, Regular, 7 p.m. City Hall, High St.
THURS. Feb. 11	Board of Education, 6 p.m. PAHS, Eagle Ave.
South Amboy	
WED. Feb. 17	City Council, Regular, 7 p.m. City Hall, N. Broadway

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

Press Release 2/8/16
Submitted by Yvonne Lopez, CEO – Puerto Rican Association for Human Development, Inc. (PRAHD)
PERTH AMBOY - This month the country celebrates the history and achievements of African Americans. We celebrate the contributions, large and small, made by the descendants of Africans; contributions that have made our country great. It is important to note that the primary center for African American History is named after Arturo Alfonso Schomburg, a Puerto Rican of African and German descent. The renowned Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, located in the New York Public Library’s 135th St. branch in Harlem, has at its core Schomburg’s collection of over 10,000 books, manuscripts, prints, photos, letters and any other evidence he could find documenting African contribution to history.

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

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



Carol Dortch Wright

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

In honor of African American History Month on Friday, February 19, from 12 to 2PM; The Puerto Rican Association for Human Development, Inc. (PRAHD) will present the organization’s Third Annual Arturo Alfonso Schomburg African American History Month Award to Carole Dortch-Wright, an individual who exemplifies excellence and service to the Perth Amboy community. New Jersey Lt. Governor Kim Guadagno will provide keynote remarks. Attending this event will be special guest Dean Schomburg—grandson of Arturo Alfonso Schomburg.

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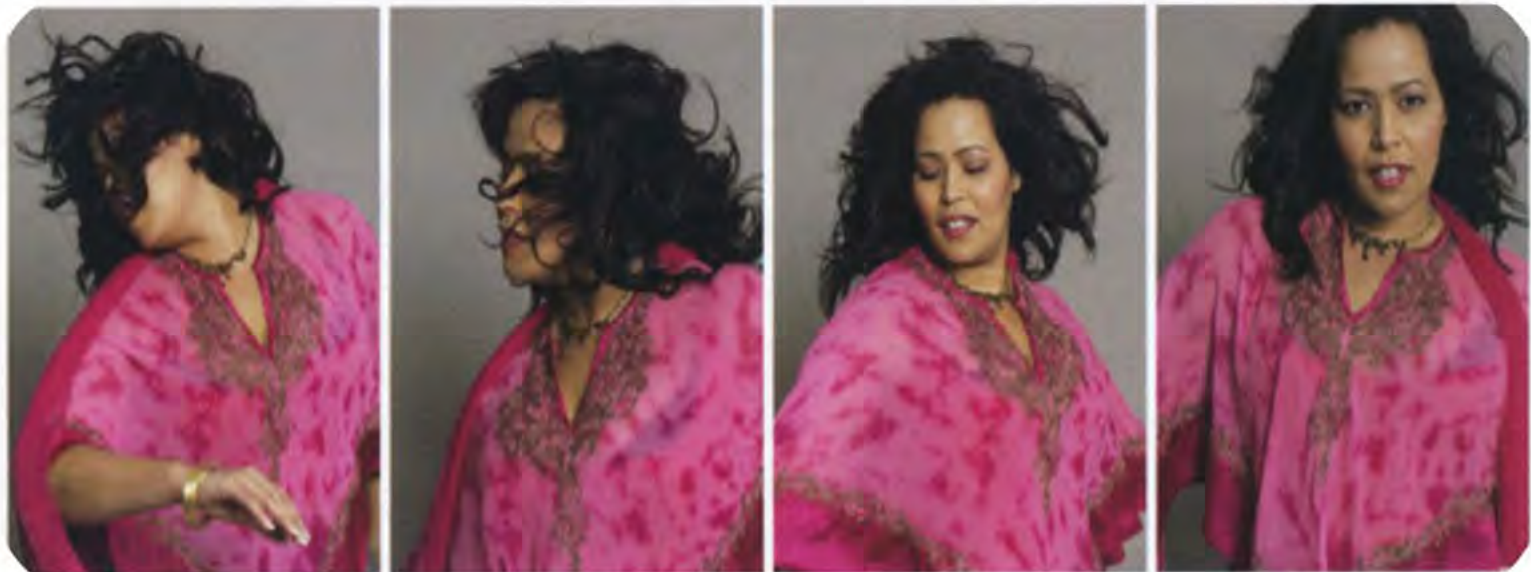
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Turner-Vitale Bill to Restore Nutritional Benefits for the Working Poor Clears Committee

The Bill Provides A Minimal Increase In Home Energy Assistance to Prevent Low-Income Families from Losing Additional Food Stamp Benefits

Press Release 2/4/16
TRENTON — Legislation sponsored by Senator Shirley K. Turner and Senator Joseph F. Vitale to restore funding to cuts made to food assistance for poor and working class families in New Jersey cleared the Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee today.

The bill, S-650, would provide that every household in the State that is eligible to receive benefits under the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) would receive a minimum annual payment of \$21 in order to qualify the household for a standard utility allowance under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) administered by the Division of Family Development in the Department of Human Services. The standard utility allowance increases the likelihood that the household would qualify for a higher SNAP benefit.

“Too many of our low-income families in New Jersey are struggling to pay for the bare essentials, like housing, food and utilities,” said Turner (D-Mercer, Hunterdon). “We need to restore this safety net to help our most vulnerable residents meet their nutritional and living needs. No one should have to choose whether to spend their money to feed their family or heat their home.”

“There are nearly one million people living in poverty in New Jersey, and unfortunately, those numbers continue to rise. This legislation is geared toward helping these individuals get on their feet and allowing them access to the resources they need to not have to sacrifice warm food for a warm home,” said Senator Vitale (D-Middlesex), Senate Health Chairman.

The bill was originally introduced in 2014 in response to reforms to “Heat and Eat” under the 2014 Agriculture

Act. “Heat and Eat” describes a streamlining practice that 15 states and the District of Columbia use to determine SNAP benefit levels for eligible households.

Households eligible for SNAP (formerly food stamps) could receive extra SNAP benefits if they could show that they also received assistance paying their heating bills. As a result, the “Heat and Eat” program was designed to account for the fact that families in states with higher energy costs often find themselves in an untenable position during the winter as they are forced to decide to turn on the heat or keep food on the table. The 2014 reforms disqualified households receiving \$20 per year or less from receiving the extra SNAP benefits.

The reform impacted approximately 160,000 low-income New Jersey households; thereby, reducing their SNAP benefits by approximately \$90 per month. The original bill passed both houses of the legislature in 2014, but was vetoed by Governor Christie. Since 2014, eight states, including New York and Pennsylvania, committed to increase LIHEAP payments to comply with the federal law and ensure that their residents maintain eligibility for “Heat and Eat.”

According to Moody’s Analytics reports, every dollar in SNAP benefits generates \$1.73 in economic activity. The loss of benefits since 2014 has cost New Jersey about \$450 million in economic activity.

“Other states have been able to preserve the extra SNAP benefits to low-income families without using state dollars,” said Senator Turner. “It makes fiscal sense to restore this program to help our most vulnerable residents and to stimulate our local economy.”

The bill cleared the committee 8-0-1 and next heads to the Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Seed Swap

PERTH AMBOY – The City of Perth Amboy Seed Swap Event - Grow with your community! Bring your seeds and leave with: Pro Gardening Tips; New Friends; More seeds! PLUS: Technical Assistance to Help You Develop Your Own Neighborhood Garden from 12 noon to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 5th at PRAHD Headquarters, 100 First St., Perth Amboy.

Book Drop/Book Exchange/Book Sale

PERTHAMBOY - The Friends of the Perth Amboy Free Public Library have established a use for the books you have read and would like to recycle!!! Drop off your books. Exchange them for books you have not read pick up a book or two (\$.50 for paperbacks/\$1 for hard cover) ... or select a “bag of books” for a price of only \$5. Please no text books or reference books.

Visit us at the Brighton Ave. Community Center located at the corner of Brighton Ave. and Sadowski Pkwy. in Perth Amboy. The schedule for the next three months is as follows: Saturdays, February 13 and 27 and March 12. We will be there from 12 noon until 2 p.m. (weather permitting).

For more info, e-mail us at friendsofperthamboylibrary@gmail.com

Connections Program Seeks Volunteers

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

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

All adult volunteers will be screened, receive training, staff support and other services as needed. If you are interested in learning more about the Connections Mentoring Program, please contact Jeanette Cullen at (732) 738-1323. 1/27



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Upcoming Training for New Volunteer Advocates for Children
Press Release 1/25/16

NEW BRUNSWICK - Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Middlesex County has current openings for volunteers to advocate for children in Middlesex County who have experienced abuse or neglect.

CASA volunteers, who are appointed by a judge, provide an independent voice for a child and speak for the child’s best interests. They research the child welfare case, meet with the child and the people involved in the child’s life and provide reports to the court to help secure a safe, stable and permanent home for the child as quickly as possible. The vision of CASA of Middlesex County is to provide access to a Court Appointed Special Advocate to any child in Middlesex County who has been removed from their home because of abuse or neglect.

CASA volunteers come from all walks of life, with no special background needed. Training and ongoing supervision for volunteers is provided. Applicants must be at least 21 years of age and pass background checks. The next volunteer training session begins Feb. 16, 2016. Applications are due by Feb. 11, 2016.

For info on volunteering call (732) 246-4449, email info@casa-ofmiddlesexcounty.org, or visit <http://www.casaofmiddlesexcounty.org/>

Fish & Chicken Fry

SAYREVILLE - The First Presbyterian Church of Sayreville located at 172 Main St. will be having a Fish and Chicken Fry on March 4. Tickets are \$13 in advance and there are limited tickets available at the door for \$15. Chicken is available by advance order only. Take-outs will begin at 5 p.m. and dining room seating will be from 5:30 p.m. – 7 p.m. For tickets please call 732-257-6353 or e-mail us at churchoffice172@optimum.net. 2/10

Support Our Troops Buffet Dinner

SAYREVILLE - VFW Post 4699 Auxiliary Fundraiser at 575 JerneeMill Rd., Sayreville. Classis Rock/Oldies Night--Music by: Clem & Friends on Saturday, March 19 --Doors open at 6 p.m.--Open Bar, Buffet Dinner at \$40 pp--contact Carmen 732-254-9425 or Post at 732-254-4789. For more info call 723-264-3041 or Carmen. 1/20

Pasta Night Fundraiser

SOUTH AMBOY - South Amboy Knights of Columbus Council 426 host a spaghetti fundraiser Friday January 29 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at 308 Fourth St. South Amboy. Proceeds benefit Knights of Columbus member Anthony Aflyie, his wife, and six children, who were left homeless after a house fire. Menu includes spaghetti, or baked ziti, meatballs, or sausage, (1) beer, wine, or soda. Cost is \$10 adults, \$7 per child, children under 5 years old free. After the meal, enjoy free entertainment from Open Mike singers and musicians. For information call 732-721-2025. 1/20

Passport Fair

PERTH AMBOY – The United States Postal Service Woodbridge Branch will be hosting a US Passport Fair on Tuesday, March 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Alexander F. Jankowski Community Center, 1 Olive, Street, Perth Amboy. For more information please contact, 732-826-1690, Ext. 4307.

United States Postal Service Passport Fees: Adult, Passport Book & Card \$140.00 + \$25 (Execution Fee); Passport Book only: \$110.00 + \$25 (Execution Fee); Applicants 16 years and younger Passport Book/& Card: \$95.00 + \$25 (Execution Fee); Passport Book only: \$80 + \$25 (Execution fee); Individuals must bring: 2 color passport photos (2 x 2), taken within the last six months.

Ladies Auxiliary #4699

SAYREVILLE - the Ladies Auxiliary of #4699 of Jernee Mill road, Sayreville will hold their monthly meeting on February 23 at the post hall. All are invited to attend and light refreshments will be served. For any info call 732-264-3041. 2/10

AC Bus Trip

PERTH AMBOY - The San Salvador Seniors are sponsoring a bus trip to Caesar’s Casino in AC on Thursday, March 3rd. Bus leaves 12 Noon from the Perth Amboy Knights of Columbus, High Street, Perth Amboy. Cost 30 pp. Receive \$30 back in slot dollars. For more info call Joe at 732-826-0819. 2/10

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Happy Valentine's Day!

Winter Paper Sale

SOUTH AMBOY - The Dowdell Library of South Amboy will be holding a Winter Paper Sale beginning Monday Jan 18th through February. The Library will be offering paperback books - five for \$1; adult hardcover books \$1 each; magazines \$2 per year, and children's books for only 25 cents each. A coordinated special sale of DVDs are available for only \$1 each, as well as printers for \$10, and much more! While you're at the library, pick up an entry form for Dowdell Library's 102nd Anniversary Cooking Competition "Festive Appetizers." The contest will be held on Monday, March 14 and a soft drink "cocktail" party will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. The library is located off John T O'Leary Blvd (adjacent to High/Middle School) in South Amboy. Hours are Mon-Tues-Thurs. 10 a.m. - 8 p.m., Wed and Fri 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sat 12 noon to 4 p.m. For additional information contact the Library at 732-721-6060 or email: comments@dowdell.org. The library website is www.dowdell.org. 1/20

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Codey-Vitale Bill to Raise Minimum Smoking Age Advances New Jersey Would Become Second State to Put Limit at 21

Press Release 2/4/16

TRENTON — Legislation sponsored by Senator Richard J. Codey and Senator Joseph F. Vitale raising the minimum age to buy tobacco products and electronic smoking devices from 19 to 21 years of age was approved by the Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee today.

“It is unquestionable that tobacco is a killer, and as each day passes, more young people are becoming addicted. We can’t justify doing nothing while smoking-related illnesses and preventable deaths continue to soar,” said Senator Codey (D-Essex, Morris). “We can be leaders in tobacco prevention by raising the minimum smoking age to 21. It will save lives and New Jersey taxpayers billions of dollars.”

The annual health care costs in New Jersey directly caused by smoking are \$4 billion, according to statistics reported on the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids website. Of that figure, an estimated \$1 billion is covered by the state Medicaid program. The amounts do not include health costs caused by exposure to secondhand smoke, smoking-caused fires, smokeless tobacco use, or cigar and pipe smoking.

The senators noted that tobacco use remains the leading cause of preventable death in the United States, killing more than 480,000 people each year, as reported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The federal government estimates that 700 children under the age of 18 become regular smokers each day, and almost one-third will die from it. Additionally, studies have shown that the ages of 18 to 21 are a critical period when many smokers move from experimental smoking to regular,

daily use.

“The best way to prevent our youth from becoming lifetime smokers, and suffering the long-term and ultimately lethal effects of smoking, is to make it harder for them to buy cigarettes,” said Senator Vitale (D-Middlesex), chair of the Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee. “Raising the age to purchase and legally smoke in New Jersey will prevent teenagers from picking up the habit at a young age and have a positive lifelong impact on their health.”

In New Jersey, 11,800 adults die each year from their own smoking. Reports show that about 143,000 children now under 18 and alive in New Jersey will ultimately die prematurely from smoking.

New Jersey would be the second state, after Hawaii, to adopt legislation restricting access to nicotine and tobacco before age 21. In October 2013, New York City enacted an ordinance prohibiting retailers in New York City from selling cigarettes, tobacco products and electronic cigarettes to anyone under the age of 21. The ordinance took effect in May 2014.

The minimum age to purchase tobacco products in all but four states is 18. The minimum age is 19 in New Jersey, Alabama, Alaska, Utah, and the District of Columbia. New Jersey increased the tobacco purchasing age from 18 to 19 in 2006. Some localities in the United States have imposed minimum ages in excess of 19, including 16 towns in New Jersey which have raised the age to 21.

The bill, S-359, cleared the Senate Health Committee by a vote of 5-2 and now heads to the full Senate for consideration.

New History Documentary

PERTHAMBOY - “John Watson 1685-1768 New Jersey’s First Artist” is our brand new history documentary. Who was John Watson? As our film title discloses, Watson was New Jersey’s first professional artist. He made his home on Water Street in colonial Perth Amboy, purchasing an adjacent building to serve as his art gallery.

We have gone through archives in several states, literally pulling out items & images pertaining to Watson. Many of these have not been seen in Perth Amboy since the 18th century. In addition, we have

examined the evidence from an archaeological excavation that took place on the Watson site. And all this research has been incorporated into our film.

If you enjoy colonial art, historic artifacts or forgotten Perth Amboy history, then you might like our new documentary. It is set to air on Comcast Channel 34 and FIOS Channel 47 this February. Please check Channel 34’s schedule for the exact times. Tune in & enjoy!

John Kerry Dyke
and the entire film crew



Governor Lewis Morris

St. Peter’s Episcopal Church, Perth Amboy, Takes Ash Wednesday to the Perth Amboy Train Station for the Third Year in a Row

Press Release

PERTH AMBOY - On Ash Wednesday, February 10, 2016, St. Peter’s Episcopal Church, will be offering “Ashes to Go,” a new approach to a centuries-old Christian tradition, from 6:15 am to 8:30 am at the Perth Amboy Train Station.

St. Peter’s, a community that has been worshiping in Perth Amboy since 1685, is once again joining the nationwide movement that has clergy and lay people visiting transit stops, street corners, coffee shops, and college campuses to mark the foreheads of interested passers-by with ashes and invite them to repent of past wrongdoing and seek forgiveness and renewal.

“Ashes are an ancient sign of penitence. From the Middle

Ages it became the custom to begin Lent by being marked in ash with the sign of the cross. The reminder that we are dust turns our attention to the creative power of God, and God’s ability to heal the brokenness in our lives when we offer that brokenness to God. That turning to God is the work of Lent, preparation for the celebration of Easter.

We take ashes to the street corner because that reminder of need, humility, and healing shouldn’t be confined to a church building. We probably need it more when we are in the middle of our daily business! The ashes we receive are to remind us throughout the day of our need for God, and of God’s call to us.”

Ashes to Go provides the opportunity to participate in

that tradition for people who have lost their connection to a church, or have never participated before or who are not able to get to church on Ash Wednesday. As people get busier and busier, we need the church in new and non-traditional ways. We especially need reminders of forgiveness. The people who accept ashes on the street are often people longing to connect with their faith in the middle of their working lives.

Contact Rev. Anne-Marie Jeffery/ ajeffer@stpetersepiscopal.com/ 732 826 1594 for more information about this event. More information about the Ashes to Go movement can be found at www.AshesToGo.org

Pallone, NJ Leaders Express Serious Concern for Continued Decline in DHS Funding for New Jersey Lawmakers Urge Agency to Ensure NJ Has Necessary Resources to Combat Threats

Press Release 2/2/16

WASHINGTON, DC – Today, Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr. (NJ-06) joined his colleagues from the New Jersey Congressional delegation in sending a letter to Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Secretary Jeh Johnson to express concern about the decline in the state’s Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) funding. This grant program provides federal funding to local, state, and federal government agencies to assist in training and equipping first responders to prevent and protect against potential terrorist attacks and other hazards. For the last five years, New Jersey has seen a significant decrease in HSGP funding. In 2015, New Jersey was awarded \$29 million, a \$32 million decrease from 2010’s \$61 million allo-

cation.

“Given the high threat environment in major metropolitan areas, it is deeply concerning that DHS has allocated fewer funds from this grant program for New Jersey,” said Pallone. “Our first responders should have the resources necessary to effectively address potential threats in our state. I look forward to continuing this conversation with Secretary Johnson.”

One component of the HSGP funding is the Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI), which addresses risks in high-threat, high-density Urban Areas, to enhance regional preparedness. The Jersey City/Newark UASI includes Middlesex County among others. New Jersey has made great efforts to provide law enforcement and first responder agencies

with enhanced counterterrorism capabilities, and HSGP funds have been critical in that effort.

In the letter, Pallone and the New Jersey lawmakers requested a meeting with leadership from the New Jersey Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness and DHS officials to discuss vulnerabilities and threats facing New Jersey.

Along with Congressman Pallone, the signers of the letter include Sens. Cory Booker and Bob Menendez (both D-NJ), and U.S. Reps. Donald Norcross (NJ-01), Frank LoBiondo (NJ-2), Tom MacArthur (NJ-03), Chris Smith (NJ-04), Albio Sires (NJ-08), Bill Pascrell, Jr. (NJ-09), Donald Payne, Jr. (NJ-10) and Rodney Frelinghuysen (NJ-11).

\$100 Worth of Food for \$40

PERTH AMBOY – 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. This month’s deadline is Feb. 10. Pick Up Date is Saturday, Feb. 20 between 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. at 282 McClennan Street, Perth Amboy Check out <https://jolinfoodbox.com> or contact us at 732-826-8207.

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FAMILY YOUTH WORKER Full-Time	Family Services/ Childcare	Under the direction of the VP of Family Services and the Preschool Director, the FYW is responsible to develop family plans and identify family strengths and needs; provide and facilitate access to information on community resources; support therapeutic interventions in everyday practical experiences of children and family; support the development, implementation, and provide continued growth, of our Families Fit Together and Afterschool Programs.	The FYW shall have at minimum of 2 years of experience in a social services capacity. Shall have appropriate education and related experience, which includes a Bachelor's degree, from an accredited university or college, in counseling or related field. Knowledge of social services agencies and community resources; good written and oral communication skills. Bi-lingual preferred. Must be able to work two evenings per week (Monday & Wednesday) until 9pm.
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST Part-Time	Family Services	Under the direction of the VP of Family Services for the Families Fit Together (FFT) Program, the Youth Development Specialist will support the development, implementation, and the continued growth of the FFT Program by assuring that the Y provides cause-driven, consistent, creative and interactive programming that will help the children learn, grow, and thrive.	The Youth Development Specialist shall have appropriate education and related experience; which includes a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited university or college in social service, psychology or related field; Knowledge of social services agencies and community resources; good written and oral communication skills; Bi-lingual in Spanish preferred. Monday and Wednesday evenings 3pm to 9pm; 12hrs Week.
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BILINGUAL MEMBER SERVICES REP. Part-Time	Membership	Under the direction of the Director of Membership, the Member Services Rep. is responsible for supporting membership growth and retention through activities to achieve strategic goals and provide outstanding customer service to members.	The Bilingual Member Services Representative must be 18 yrs. of age; have a minimum of High School Diploma or GED; 1-3 years of customer service sales or related experience; be friendly, service-oriented, and proactive. Strong interpersonal, communication, and problem solving skills are a must! Bilingual a plus (English and Spanish).
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This Week in World War II 75 Years Ago

By: Phil Kohn. *Dedicated to the memory of his father, GM3 Walter Kohn, U.S. Navy Armed Guard, USNR, and all men and women who have answered the country's call in time of need. Phil can be contacted at ww2remembered@yahoo.com.*

After their defeat at Benghazi, Libya, Italian troops attempt to retreat from Cyrenaica by heading south along the road skirting the Gulf of Sirte toward Beda Fomm, Libya, where they could then turn toward western Libya and Tunisia. A “flying column” of the British 7th Armoured Division (“The Desert Rats”) rapidly crosses the desert from Benghazi and beats the Italians to Beda Fomm, cutting them off. The Italians make several attempts to break through, but to no avail. On February 7, 1941, unable to move forward and with Australian troops from Benghazi bearing down on them from behind, the Italians surrender. The British take 25,000 prisoners, 200 guns and 120 tanks.

Meeting in Sofia on February 8, German and Bulgarian military staffs work out the details for the German army to enter Bulgaria. In Washington, D.C., the U.S. House of Representatives passes the Lend-Lease bill, with voting split mostly along party lines: Democrats are 238 in favor and 25 against, while across the aisle, Republicans are 24 in favor and 135 against.

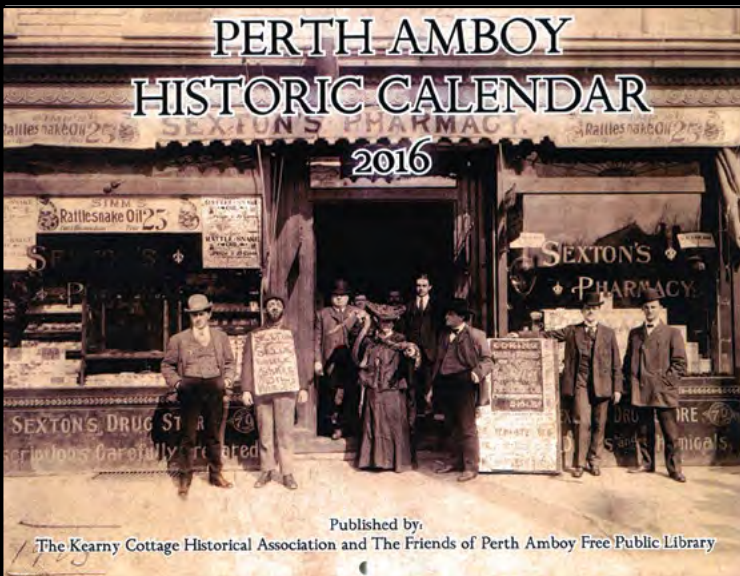
In a worldwide radio broadcast on February 9, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill tells the United States to show its support by sending arms to the U.K.: “Give us the tools, and we will finish the job.” In North Africa, the British advance in Libya comes to a halt at El Agheila, not because of Italian opposition but because Gen. Archibald Wavell, Commander-in-Chief Middle East, must withdraw troops from his force to send to Greece. Churchill instructs Gen. Wavell that help for Greece is to have a higher priority than consolidating any gains in North Africa. In the Mediterranean, a British Royal Navy force including the battleship HMS Malaya, the battlecruiser HMS Renown and planes from the carrier HMS Ark Royal attack the harbor at Genoa, Italy, sinking five ships and damaging 18.

In Vichy France, Adm. Jean Darlan, deputy to Head of State Marshal Philippe Pétain, is named as Pétain’s eventual successor as well. Darlan, who holds the offices of Foreign Minister, Minister of the Interior and Minister of Information as well as Commander in Chief of the French navy, is for all practical purposes the head of the government of Vichy France.

On February 12, German Lt. Gen. Erwin Rommel arrives in Tripoli, Libya. In Moscow, Gen. Georgy Zhukov is made Chief of the General Staff of the Red Army and Deputy Commissar for Defense of the Soviet Union. In the Occupied Netherlands, the Germans close off the Jewish Quarter of Amsterdam with barbed wire.

The British aircraft carrier HMS Formidable on February 13 — unable to pass through the Suez Canal to the Mediterranean because the waterway has been mined by the Germans — sends planes to bomb the important port of Massawa, on the Red Sea coast of Italian Eritrea. In Occupied Netherlands, German authorities order all gentiles to leave Amsterdam’s Jewish Quarter.

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Music Review: Paulus Hook at Al Cibelli’s

By: Michael O’Connor - Mikell’s Plot

PERTH AMBOY - On Saturday, January 9, 2016, I saw a band at Al Cibelli’s Restaurant and Night Club located on 1096 Convery Blvd, Perth Amboy that blew my mind away. Paulus Hook is a hard rock band from North Jersey which headlined the show. Their live sound was unique and their vocals were powerful. The bass player and drummer were tight! 2 weeks later, Billy Potter the lead singer handed me a 4 song EP and now I can’t take it out of my CD player in my car. These catchy songs are going to be on the Billboard charts someday for sure. The first song: Good Soldier has cool guitar sounds with a driving beat. The lyrics are great with a strong chorus. I love the way Billy expresses his vocals. Track#2 Echoes and Track #4 Illumination are good songs,



Paulus Hook at Cibelli’s *Photo Submitted

however the song that sticks out the most is Crestfallen. This song has hit written all over it. I could see this song #1 on the Billboard charts and in a major motion picture. Billy Potter of Paulus Hook is a talented songwriter and vocal-

ist. Paulus Hook is going to be the next big thing!!!To contact the band: email paulushook-band@gmail.com Come check me out on MySpace at <http://www.myspace.com/mikellspot>

21st Annual Charity Ball

OLD BRIDGE - Sunday, March 20 from 12:00 Noon to 5:00 p.m. at the Grand Marquis, Rt 9, Old Bridge. Tickets \$105 pp. Includes cocktail hour followed by dinner & music with open bar throughout. Sponsored By The Sayreville Association For Brain Injured Children, a non-profit organization that provides year round recreation programs to children and adults with special needs. Also seeking sponsors for our ad journal. For more information or to reserve call Jim Gilleite or Laurie Ventolo @ 732-254-8530.

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

Open Jam Night

PERTH AMBOY - Stageright Studios Presents Open Jam Night every Wednesday Night at 9 p.m. at Al Cibelli’s Night Club, 1096 Convery Blvd., Perth Amboy. Music lovers can enjoy great food at the lowest drink prices in town as you watch the best entertainment in New Jersey. Listen as amazing musicians jam with one another. As always, no cover charge in the downstairs lounge, all back line provided. 21 to enter and drink. Extra parking across the street. Hosted by John Garoniak. For more info call: Stageright Studios 732-602-1355. Bands welcome - all styles.

Gas Tank Mojo Cafe

PERTH AMBOY - Friday Night Feb. 19 at 8 p.m. at the Kearny Cottage, 63 Catalpa Ave., Perth Amboy. Coffee, cake, poetry, stories & opinions. In the spirit of Beat author Jack Kerouac, of “On the Road” fame who, as a merchant marine, shipping out of Perth Amboy, on his way to Tangier, referred to Perth Amboy as “Gas Tank Mojo Town.” For more info call 732-293-1090 or 732-675-8826. Bring Your Own Bongos. (weather permitting)

Food Pantry

SAYREVILLE - Each month on the 3rd Thursday of the month our Food Pantry “Daily Bread” distributes food for those in need. Between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Faith Fellowship Ministries, 2707 Main St., Sayreville. For more info call (732)727-9500 ext. 1704

Uncle Floyd

SOUTH AMBOY – The SAFD Merchandise Hose Company presents, “An Evening with Uncle Floyd.” Appearing on Saturday, Feb. 27 at 7 p.m. at Sacred Hall Annex Hall (Memorial Hall) on Washington Rd., South Amboy. Buffet, Beer and Wine. \$40 pp. For tickets call 732-642-4608 or email SAFD1LMartinJr@gmail.com 1/27

Lecture by Donald Peck

PERTH AMBOY - Donald Peck will lecture and sign his new book “The American Journey of Hope” on Sunday, March 13 at 2 p.m. at the Kearny Cottage, 63 Catalpa Ave., Perth Amboy.

Friends of the Library Meeting

PERTH AMBOY - The Friends of Perth Amboy Free Public Library Meeting will be Wednesday, February 17 at 7 p.m. at the Kearny Cottage, 63 Catalpa Ave., Perth Amboy. Everyone is welcome to attend. For more info call 732-261-2610.

Notice: Community Announcements or “Shorts”

The Amboy Guardian is committed to serving the community. However, due to the rising cost of print publication, we are forced to now charge a small fee for community announcements. We will provide one complimentary short paragraph or “short” per event. After your event “short” is published for one week, there will be a \$5.00 fee per week charge for each additional “short” published pertaining to that particular event. For those who pay for a display ad, there will be no fee for additional shorts pertaining to the event in the paid display ad. To our regular loyal advertisers who hold community events, your “short” announcements will remain complimentary. Effective 1/1/16. Thank you.

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Novena to St. Rita

O holy protectress of those who art in greatest need, thou who shineth as a star of hope in the midst of darkness, blessed Saint Rita, bright mirror of God's grace, in patience and fortitude thou art a model of all the states in life. I unite my will with the will of God through the merits of my Savior Jesus Christ, and in particular through his patient wearing of the crown of thorns, which with tender devotion thou didst daily contemplate. Through the merits of the holy Virgin Mary and thine own graces and virtues, I ask thee to obtain my earnest petition, provided it be for the greater glory of God and my own sanctification. Guide and purify my intention, O holy protectress and advocate, so that I may obtain the pardon of all my sins and the grace to persevere daily, as thou didst in walking with courage, generosity, and fidelity down the path of life. (*Mention your request.*) Saint Rita, advocate of the impossible, pray for us. Saint Rita, advocate of the helpless, pray for us.
Recite the Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be three times each. K.M. & C.M.

Prayer to St. Jude

To be said when problems arise or when one seems to be deprived of all visible help, or for cases almost despaired of. Most holy Apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the name of the traitor who delivered our beloved Father into the hands of His enemies has caused you to be forgotten by many, but the Church honors and invokes you universally, as the patron and invokes you universally, as the patron of hopeless cases, of things almost despaired of. Pray for me, I am so helpless and alone. Make use I implore you, of that particular privilege given to you, to bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolation and help of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations and sufferings, particularly (*Here make your request*) and that I may praise God with you and all the elect forever. I promise, O blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor, to always honor you as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to you. Amen. **I.N.S.**

Need Rent, Food or Utility Assistance?

PERTH AMBOY - The JRF Family Assistance Center provides rent, food or utility assistance to qualifying individuals or families in the community. To be eligible you must meet program requirements. For more information, please call 732-324-2180. You can also stop by our office on the 2nd floor! (149 Kearny Ave. – Rear of Proprietary House)

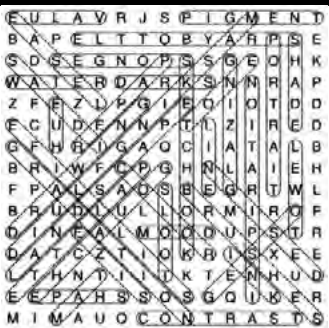
Lecture by Joyce Richardson

PERTH AMBOY - Joyce Richardson will be giving a lecture on her father, Herbert Richardson on Sunday, February 28th at 2 p.m. at the Kearny Cottage, 63 Catalpa Ave., Perth Amboy.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner

SAYREVILLE - St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef Dinner at Sayreville United Methodist Church, 406 Main St., Sayreville, NJ on Saturday, March 12, 2016 from 6 p.m. to 8 pm. Cost: Adults \$12; Seniors/Students/Children 5-12 \$8; Children under 5 - Free Dinner of Spaghetti & Meatballs. Dinner includes: Corned Beef or Spaghetti, Boiled Cabbage & Carrots, Boiled Potatoes, Rye Bread or Roll, Beverage and Dessert. For questions or additional tickets, please contact Winsome at (732)432-9072. 1/20

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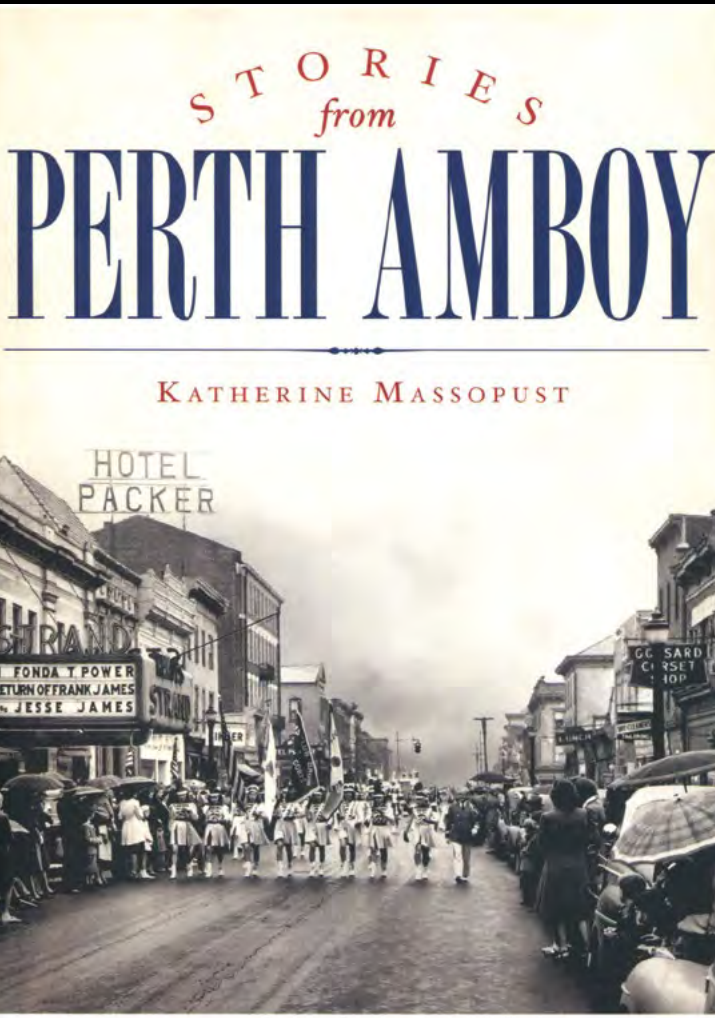
PERTH AMBOY - Valentine's Day Party at America On Wheels Roller Rink. 1940's
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Senior Scene

Happenings

- Perth Amboy**
WED. Feb. 10 Holy Rosary Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Auditorium, Florida Grove Rd.
• St. Stephen's Seniors, 1 p.m., Cafeteria, State St.
THURS. Feb. 11 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
MON. Feb. 15 St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.
TUES. Feb. 16 Holy Spirit Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Church Hall, Brace Ave.
• Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.
WED. Feb. 17 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.
- South Amboy**
MON. Feb. 29 Sacred Heart Seniors, 12 Noon Memorial Hall, Wash Ave.
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