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## Oops! Typos Dominate Conversation Planning Board Terms Still Front and Center



Business Administrator  
Adam Cruz



Councilman  
Bill Petrick



Councilman  
Fernando Gonzalez

PERTH AMBOY - 8/8/16 Caucus: Communication No.11: Mayor Wilda Diaz appointing the following to the Planning Board effective immediately: (8/1/16) Thomas Hudanish - Class IV, expires 12/31/20; Sergio Diaz - Class IV, expires 12/31/20; Edwin Arlequin - Alternate #2, expires 12/31/18.

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez stated that he received a letter from the Mayor in reference Planning Board Members term limits. In this letter it stated that two of the appointees had an expiration date of 12/31/20. This prompted Business Administrator Adam Cruz to state at the Meeting that the date of 12/31/20 was a typo. "It should be 6/30/20 and a letter of correction should be sent out to the individuals."

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez answered back, "We keep making errors on top of errors."

B.A. Adam Cruz responded back, "I call it a typo."

Gonzalez stated, "We need to look at the law."

This prompted Councilman Fernando Irizarry to state, "According to the Planning Board Attorney, appointments can't be from January to January."

Councilman Bill Petrick (who was appointed Acting President in Lisa Nanton's absence early in the Meeting corrected Irizarry. "It's a four year

term." After Petrick spoke, Law Director Arlen Quinones Perez said, "This is based on the Municipal Zoning Law by statute which is January through December or July through June."

As a parting shot in response to comments being shouted out by members of the audience, she told the Council, "You can listen to the law or the gallery."

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez emphatically stated, "I believe we should get another legal opinion." He read an ordinance pertaining to Municipal Board terms. "We need another opinion to see if terms can be changed."

Council President Lisa Nanton came late to the Meeting. Later that evening she read a letter (see Page 3) about the two Planning Board Members whose terms were not extended. She also said that Hudanish's term should end 6/30/20 and not be extended six extra months but Garcia and Kubulak's terms should be extended to 12/31/16.

B.A. Cruz again reminded the Council and those present that it was a typo with Hudanish's and S. Diaz's terms and both their terms should end on 6/30/20.

Councilman Bill Petrick believed that it's silly that former Planning Board Members Maria Garcia and Karen Kubulak were not given a six month ex-

tension as were the other members.

During the Public Comments, Resident Alan Silber came up to speak about Municipal term limits. He read from the New Jersey Municipal Land Use Law Ordinance. He also made comments about what B.A. Cruz called a "typo error." Silber stated, "It's not a typo (stating that T. Hudanish and S. Diaz having their terms extended by six months). This concerns me with having the Business Administrator making things up. I put in an application for the Planning Board. I sent it in before the August 8, 2016 deadline. Mr. Diaz filed his election report over 50 weeks late. The DeCotiis Firm and the Hoagland Firm gave donations to him."

Maria Garcia came up to speak next. She was concerned that an Alternate was voted as Vice-Chair of the Planning Board which is a violation of the Land Use Law Ordinance (which was read earlier at the Meeting by Silber and again by Garcia).

Resident Susan Batista came up to speak stating that she put in application to the Planning Board and wondered if interviews will be held for applicants. Batista also stated, "Law Director Quinones could not sign the Resolution removing me from the Planning

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## You're Violating the Law! 8/8/16 Caucus & 8/10/16 Council Meetings



Council President  
Lisa Nanton



Councilman  
Fernando Irizarry

PERTH AMBOY - R-352-8/16 Authorizing an extension of the professional services contract for Bruce Kaplan as the City's Benefit Consultant until September 30, 2016.

When it came time for the reading of this Resolution, Business Administrator Adam Cruz requested that this item be tabled. "We are violating the public contract law. You (the Council) have a viable candidate to vote on."

One of the Council Members asked, "What signatures have to be on City contracts?"

Law Director Arlene Quinones Perez answered, "It will be the Business Administrator, the Mayor, and on rare occasions, myself."

Cruz came back and stated, "We did not write up this resolution; nor was it approved to put it on the agenda."

Councilman Bill Petrick said, "R-352 should be held until we can discuss this matter with Council President Lisa Nanton (who was not at the Meeting at that point) and Councilman Joel Pabon (who was absent from the Meeting).

At the 8/10/16 Council Meeting R-352 was asked to be voted upon separately by Councilman Fernando Irizarry. He stated, "I think the new City's Benefit Consultant will be better for the City than what Mr. Kaplan is doing. I want this (Kaplan's short term extension) to be tabled."

Business Administrator Adam Cruz cautioned the Council that they are violating the local Public Bidding Contracting law. "I'm asking the Council to reconsider. This is an administration function."

Council President Lisa Nanton answered back, "We're asking the new consultant to come before the Council."

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez had concerns stating, "It looks like the new consultant will be outsourcing some of the work (that he will be doing for the City).

Cruz tried to put Councilman Fernando Gonzalez's concerns at ease by stating, "The new company (Benefits Consultant) will not charge the City if they have to outsource some of the work."

Irizarry told the other Council Members, "We had a month to look this over. I'm just asking to table."

Nanton said, "We need more time to look over the RFP's (Request for Proposals) which are a lot of pages."

When it came time to vote, everyone decided to adopt the resolution except for Councilman Fernando Irizarry.

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July 29, 2016

To: Mayor Wilda Diaz  
From: Council President Lisa Nanton

Dear Mayor Diaz,

An issue has been brought to the attention of the City Council which requires your attention. As you are aware, the City Council proffered an Ordinance which was passed in February of 2013 which required the terms of members of various boards and agencies of City government to run from January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>.

One of the agencies delineated under the Order is the Planning Board. Since the Ordinance went into effect in 2013, five (5) members of the Planning Board have had their terms altered so as to be in compliance with the Ordinance. Christine Dispenziere, Steven Nascimento, William Petrick, David Szilagy and Kurt Rebovich have all been given the benefit of extended terms pursuant to the Ordinance. Additionally, you as Mayor have availed yourself of the extended term under the Ordinance.

Recently, two members of the Planning Board, Marcia Garcia and Karen Kubulak were informed that their terms concluded on June 30, 2016. The termination of those terms, however, is inconsistent with the Ordinance. The ordinance requires that the term would run to December 31, 2016. In doing so, it would make all terms consistent with the calendar year schedule which is set forth in the Ordinance. Having altered all other terms of Planning Board members to meet the conditions of the Ordinance, it makes absolutely no sense that the terms of these two members would not be treated the same. To single these members out and to treat them differently than others who are similarly situated is clearly discriminatory.

Further, there is no statutory impediment to extending the term. N.J.S.A. 40: 55D-23 (b) and (c) govern matters pertaining to these terms. These two members are Class IV members who are serving subsequent terms. The statute is restrictive only for Class IV members serving initial terms.

Accordingly, it seems clear that these two members should be permitted to conclude their terms to the date of December 31, 2016. Such an action is both compliant with the Ordinance and consistent with the intent of the ordinance.

Finally, I am requesting that the City refrain from any attempts to make appointments to these two positions pending resolution of this issue. The City should not be exposed to potential litigation for disparate treatment simply for political expediency.

Thank you for your anticipated co-operation.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Nanton

**Fwd: Late starter - Contracts**

From: William Petrick [wpetrick@perthamboynj.org](mailto:wpetrick@perthamboynj.org)  
To: Fernando Gonzalez  
Joel Pabon Forward  
Fernando Irizarry  
Elaine Jasko  
Lisa Nanton

Date: Wednesday, August 10, 6:51 PM

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R-369-8/16

The form and execution of all contracts and bonds

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LISA NANTON  
Council President

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# LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

## EDITORIAL

### Everybody Can't Live Here Pt. 2

All new construction whether it be Residential, Single Family Homes and/or Apartment Complexes will affect all residents. It is incumbent of all Municipal Board Members to keep that in mind when voting on such projects.

Some Members of the Planning Board have been very outspoken about how proposed multi-unit developments will be a detriment to our already crowded community. I applaud them for this and they did their due diligence, even at the cost of possibly losing their positions on those Boards.

You can hear the anguish in a parent's voice at Municipal Meetings when they talk about being forced to have their child bused to schools out of town because of overcrowding.

Transit Bus Drivers complain that the congestion on Smith Street, Perth Amboy causes them to lose time from their schedules.

Time and Time again we hear about the lack of recreational facilities available to our residents which are very important.

Let's not turn every empty lot into housing. As we said before, everyone can't live here.

The census held in 2010 was short of the City's population by at least 15,000 underground residents.

Let's take care of those who are here now. When it comes to the residents of the Landings and Harbortown, they were drawn into purchasing condos based on conceptual designs that never came into fruition. They were told that they would be sold as home ownerships and NOT Rentals. I don't care what the market called for, the Developers should have kept their word.

The amenities that those Residents were promised should go forward. The purchasers of the condos/town homes in Harbortown and the Landings paid a hefty price for their units. Landings started with at least \$300,000 per unit and went up to at least \$700,000 and up for their residences and I wouldn't call that chump change.

I know that the Developers are not always available to visit where they have built. But I think in this case of the two Developments, that I have mentioned, it's imperative that the two Develop-

ers make a personal appearance. I know they pay big bucks to the architects, attorney's, etc., but I think the homeowners would be more forgiving if they heard from the the Developers themselves.

Look at the original plans for the amenities that the Landings proposed. They were spectacular and what was much needed in that area. It would not only have benefited the Landings Residents, but the whole community. We would have rivaled any other municipality that have built along the Raritan River.

I urge the representatives that Kushner (of the Landings) sent to the Planning Board and PARA Meetings to urge Kushner himself to go back to those original plans. As my colleague stated in previous editorials, the parking situation in Perth Amboy is in a perilous state. More rentals are not the solution. We've already run out of room to put schools for our student population. How can more multi-unit housing be justified?

We have previously discussed the Transit Village. This project has been in the works for at least 15 years. In the meantime you think that NJ Transit could at least do patchwork on the steps leading down to the tracks. This would not affect train service.

As they've done in the past, whenever they've had to close one side of the staircase, they have diverted the trains just to use one track. I don't know what the problem is. All I know is that we've had a ton of grants and spent millions of dollars just for studies.

If I had a crystal ball and could have seen how long this is going to take, I would have suggested a contest for architectural students to design a plan for our historic train station. The winning award would have been \$100,000. We have very brilliant young minds out there and I'm sure that incentive would have had a lot of very inventive designs submitted. It would have saved us a lot of time and money. Grants are wonderful if they are used constructively. I see the reports on studies, but reports are only as good as the action that they can create and how quickly they can be expediated. *C.M.*

## THE COMMUNITY VOICE

### Ambling: "Front Yards"

The Amboy Ambler II is ambling again to observe our great city to make observations, glean knowledge and wisdom and make folks aware of our environment. This time, the Ambler is looking at the front yards that abound in our city. The Ambler started ambling on High Street where front yards are large and as the street name implies high. Many beautiful front yards exist here and on observation of one fine yards the Ambler heard an odd grunting sound behind him. It was a home owner struggling to take a huge garbage can down his yard and of course the Ambler helped him to the curb. I looked inside as garbage is of interest to me and it was empty then I saw the man and his wife carrying bags of garbage to put in the can. It seems our brand new garbage trucks cannot access the "Cobble Stone Road" or as we as kids called it "Gasoline Alley." Therefore, the residents must carry the huge cans down or through their front yards to the street and as they may be lighter empty. They then carry their trash separately. I asked the man how he could remedy this and he said he did not want to disturb his front yard with a cement path, etc. He said he wanted to keep his yard as nice as it was. I asked him how he kept it that way and he said he had a service care for it weekly. As I ambled my way down the street I saw that many residents also had a service and the garbage problem. It was noted that some of the yards were in a sad state but I know not why. Mowing a sloped lawn is not easy as I saw the professional landscapers doing the task. I asked one if it was practical and he said a

beautiful lawn is a "Beautiful Thing." Redundant but it is true.

As I ambled about I saw some yards that had broken fences and the yard behind it unkempt. Observing the house, I saw several men leaving and I asked why the fence was broken, etc. The reply was: "I do not own the house - I just rent a room." I ambled further to other areas of the city and observed a yard well-kept and the man was mowing and feeding his roses. I commented that his hard work resulted in a beautiful front yard. He thanked me and proceeded to work. Several weeks later he moved to Pennsylvania where his pension was not taxed. New tenants arrived and took a machete and cut down the roses and flowers. Of course, I asked why and they said that too many bugs lived there. The next month, the infamous mountain of trash was in front and the residents were gone. The yard now is mowed by a bank. I guess, as it is just mowed on a weekly basis, but the for sale sign is still there. The yard is alone now with nobody feeding it or planting - I feel sad for it as I amble by.

Some houses are surrounded by cement or macadam and have no green or soil at all (I thought this was illegal in Perth Amboy) but vestiges of front gardens appear around the streets with old roses and some perineal flowers struggling to survive exist. There are some houses that have extensive gardens and make the neighborhood beautiful. One simple front yard was being weeded by a lady who said she was a Tennent but her landlord let her plant, "Don't you just love flowers," she said to me and I said "Yes," and thanked her for her work. The Ambler wandered about other areas finding odd things such as cars

parked on cement yards, no grass and upon asking why I was told the garage was made into a room and they had to park somewhere. One house had cement front yard with several cars parked ether and in front. The garage was open and the Ambler ambled in, "Got a broken car?" the fellow in the garage asked and I said "nope" just ambling about, "What are you doing kind sir?" I asked. The fellow said, "Fixin' cars." I said I was just wondering why he did not have a lawn. "Waste of space," he replied and I thanked him for his time. Space and time are often the enemy. Ambling on I saw a yard unkempt and high as can be, filling up with dandelions. The man next door was mowing his lawn and I asked him if anyone lived in the house and he said "No." I suggested he mow up the dandelions before they go to seed as they will fill up the neighborhood and he shrugged and said, "Not my lawn."

As you can see, a pattern was forming and I felt very down until I saw a lady with no yard at all - just a parking lot but it was filled with flowers in various containers. I asked her if she owned the lot and she said, "No." I said the lot was beautiful and she thanked me and said she loved looking at the flowers and looked forward to spring every year. As I said in the beginning, wisdom can be gleaned in our city. The lady looked at me and said, "We do not own any property. We only take care of it and I feel everybody should respect their neighborhoods and the people that live there and the earth we live in." The Ambler was crying when he said "God bless you." and ambled on feeling there is hope in this world.

The Amboy Ambler II

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THURS. Aug. 18	Board of Education, 6 p.m. Wilentz School, First St.
THURS. Aug. 25	Historic Preservation Commission, 7 p.m. City Hall, High St.
MON. Sept. 12	City Council, Caucus, 4:30 p.m. City Hall, High St.
WED. Sept. 14	City Council, Regular, 7 p.m. City Hall, High St.
<b>South Amboy</b>	
WED. Sept. 7	City Council, Business, 6 p.m. City Hall, N. Broadway
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Board.”

Resident Virginia Lugo went up to speak next. “The Mayor is now being very particular about dates of Municipal Board Members. She was not following the rules before. With the BID, Barry Rosen Garten appointed the Mayor and the Mayor appointed him for their respective positions. Garcia and Kubulak are being removed (from the Planning Board) because of not agreeing with the Mayor.”

Karen Kubulak came up to speak about her removal from the Planning Board. She stated, “This is not a typo issue (the expiration date of 12/31/20 for S. Diaz and T. Hudanish). On August 1, 2016 this was sent (the letters) by the Mayor and these people were already sworn in. The December 31, 2020 date was sent on all of her correspondence (Planning Board terms). Over 2/3 of the property in the City is redevelopment property. The Mayor is packing the Planning, Zoning and Redevelopment Boards. This Council should have taken action in July. There were never funds for the Master Plan. The entire downtown is looking at a lot of density. The Mayor has other agendas. All these appointments should be null and void since they were made before the August 8, 2016 application deadline.”

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez spoke and said, “The situation with the Planning Board should have never taken place.”

Councilman Joel Pabon was absent from the 8/8/16 Caucus Meeting.

The discussion continued at the 8/10/16 Council Meeting.

Resident David Caba came up to speak. At the 8/8/16 Caucus Meeting, Caba had asked Councilman Irizarry if a speech he had given was actually written by him. Irizarry was offended by Caba’s remarks and rattled off his teaching experiences and the College Degrees he which he had earned.

Caba addressed Irizarry’s remarks by asking him why he didn’t question a law that was being broken. “You should ask your running mate if she (Mayor Diaz) has a degree. You should have questioned (B.A. Cruz) on the typo error. Tommy Hudanish said Joel Pabon should resign (because he’s running for Mayor). Now, he (Hudanish) is being put on the Planning Board. Maybe he should ask the Mayor to resign. Hudanish supports whoever is currently in power.”

Virginia Lugo came up to speak. “I have appointment letters for BID Members. Some of these Members appointed themselves. The Mayor made these appointments (Planning Board) before the deadline (application). Four months were added to two new Members taking time away from Maria Garcia and Karen Kubulak. The Council should vote to annul.”

Resident Susan Batista commented that it should have been explained to the audience members that it’s the Mayor who makes the Planning Board Appointments (not the Council).

When Resident Sharon Hubberman came up to speak, she made remarks about people who want to serve on Boards. “Are applications maintained? Why do we have these ordinances if they are not being followed? This way people will be put in that will be rubber stampers. You (the Council) are not being checks and balances. Look at the files. See if people who applied for these positions are being notified of these vacancies.”

When Maria Garcia came up to speak, she mentioned ordinances pertaining to nonpartisan municipalities and the MLUL (Municipal Land Use Law). “There’s a violation of the Vice-Chair under the Sunshine Law. Members of other Boards had their terms extended for four more months.”

During the Council Comments, Fernando Gonzalez stated, “There seems to be illegal changes (pertaining to Communication No. 11 Planning Board Appointments) that are not kosher. We need another legal opinion. This is happening too often. Is it (term limits) four years or four years and four months? I’m becoming very mistrustful.”

Councilman Joel Pabon wondered about the letters sent out that were dated August 1, 2016 (for the Planning Board vacancies).

B.A. Adam Cruz said, “There were two posting’s of the Planning Board vacancies. The first one was either June 29, 2016 or June 30, 2016 for the deadline of July 31, 2016 for the applications. That was for the vacancies of the first two Planning Board Members. Then a second posting went out on July 6, 2016 when a third vacancy became available.”

After B.A. Cruz spoke, Councilman Joel Pabon asked if people that were on the waiting list for these positions considered.

Cruz answered back, “Sergio Diaz was on the Board already

as an alternate, so he was pushed up.”

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez was still not happy. “I believe it was illegal the way this was done.”

There was a motion moved by Bill Petrick and seconded by Fernando Gonzalez to get a second opinion from another lawyer.

Fernando Gonzalez showed his frustration by stating, “I am mistrusting of all the legal advice from our attorney.” He referred to the statement by the B.A. about the typo of the 12/31/20 expiration date of the appointments.

Councilman Joel Pabon agreed, “Everyone that was on that Board should have gotten a letter. I didn’t get one and my term was extended.”

During the second public portion, Susan Batista stated, “There was no jurisdiction to remove me from the Zoning Board. I filed my financial disclosure. I sent them a letter of people on that Board who had not filed their financial disclosures or filed theirs after I did, but they were not removed from the Board. I had been on the Zoning Board for 18 years. When I first filed a lawsuit to the City, it was with the State Courts. Nothing was done, so it was moved up to the Federal level.”

Resident Alan Silber came

up to speak next. He stated that the Business Administrator wanted to read a complaint that was made about two Planning Board Members. “He should refrain from doing this. You (the Council) need to have another legal opinion. It’s very confusing. I think you should have a vote of no confidence. She (Law Director Quinones) has behaved unprofessional many times. There should be an investigation and a legal opinion.”

Maria Garcia came up to speak. “I was let go because of my term limit. Now, they want to read a letter from 2014 from the Wilentz Firm. This went on for two years. Now, all of a sudden we were let go because we were fighting for the City. We were the only two Members (Myself and Kubulak) who knew everything about Harbortown that was not in compliance. The City Clerk is supposed to put the openings (Municipal Boards) on the website. Emails were not being received by Municipal Board Members except for the Members who were removed (From Boards). Then the Members who were removed from those Boards had their email addresses removed immediately.”

Virginia Lugo came up to speak and told the Council, “Sometimes you are frozen by

fear. There should be a vote to nullify these appointments. The Mayor has the power to do what she wants - no she doesn’t.”

When Resident David Caba came up to speak, he had several issues on his mind. One was about an \$850,000 lawsuit against a Police Officer. Caba told the Council, “The issues that we need to be informed about are not publicized. He then turned his attention to Councilman Fernando Irizarry and stated, “I just wanted to know if the statement you read in at a past Meeting about putting the City first came from your heart. Now, you did a 360° turn. Mr. Pelissier (Former B.A.) said that we (those who speak out at Council Meetings) don’t volunteer. Mr. Silber put in an application for the Planning Board. Was he (Silber) called or was his application reviewed?”

Council President Lisa Nanton turned to B.A. Cruz and asked if he would like to answer that question.

Cruz simply replied, “This is the public comments part of the Meeting.”

Sharon Hubberman made some comments, “It’s evident and clear that their ordinances are being violated. Let’s conform to the law. The governing body is supposed to be the checks and balances.”

## The Homeless Population Count Topic of Discussion 8/8/16 Caucus Meeting

PERTH AMBOY - Dave Benyola came forward to give a presentation as requested by Business Administrator Adam Cruz.

Some of the stats presented by Benyola was a recent study by Middlesex County. Benyola said, “There are 836 sheltered homeless and 1442 homeless on the streets. Of this number (Middlesex County), 5% of them are in Perth Amboy.”

Pastor Bernadette Falcon-Lopez came forward to add to the discussion. “Every Municipality which has at least 10 homeless has to have a Code Blue Program. It’s between us (Perth Amboy) and New Brunswick.”

Councilman Fernando Irizarry asked, “Can the County transfer homeless to other cities?”

“Only Perth Amboy and New Brunswick are Code Blue Municipalities.”

Irizarry came back and stated, “This is my opinion. Other cities don’t have the Code Blue so they don’t have to take responsibility for their homeless.”

Falcon-Lopez continued the discussion, stating, “Other Municipalities were called into the



Deputy Municipal  
Department Head  
David Benyola



Pastor Bernadette  
Falcon-Lopez

Freeholder’s Meeting about the homeless. We (Perth Amboy) have parameters set based on temperatures and other Municipalities will have to establish Code Blue Parameters.”

This prompted Councilman William Petrick to ask, “What happens after the Code Blue is called off? Do these other Municipalities have responsibilities when they send their residents here?”

Falcon-Lopez responded, “No, they don’t, but we try to help the homeless with intake programs that we have set in place. These help them with job

placements or trying to find permanent shelter.”

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez wanted to know, “Can we get Code Blue parameters established?”

Falcon-Lopez said, “It was not mandatory before, but now the government mandates that Code Blue be established.”

Benyola came back and stated, “My office is working with the Office of Emergency Management and we’re trying to set up a meeting with the County and other Municipalities regarding Code Blue Parameters.”



**Mural to be Painted under the Raritan Yacht Club**

*\*Photos Submitted by John K. Dyke*



PERTH AMBOY - At the last City Council meeting, Kerry Dyke, a lifelong Perth Amboy resident & Rutgers Mason Gross Art sophomore presented her mural concept. The contemporary design will be hand painted on the walkway wall under the Raritan Yacht Club. Say hello to Kerry when she is working there! This project is in coordination with Perth Amboy Artworks Inc. Photos: mural as it will look on the wall

**Summer**

**Prize Party**

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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.*

In Moscow, the London-based Polish government-in-exile on August 15, 1941, signs a military cooperation agreement with the government of the U.S.S.R. Meanwhile, the Germans decree that all Jews in occupied Russia must wear two yellow badges and they will receive food rations only in excess of those needed by gentiles. They must also join public-works crews. In the U.K., captured German spy Josef Jakobs — tried and convicted by a military tribunal — is executed by a military firing squad at the Tower of London. Jakobs will be the last person ever executed at the historic castle.

August 16 marks the eighth day (since August 9th) that eight German and three Italian submarines have made repeated, though unsuccessful, attacks on convoy HG-69, northwest of Gibraltar. In Ukraine, the Germans capture the Soviet naval base at Mykolaiv, including minor warships, ammunition and repair facilities.

On the Eastern Front, the attacks of German Army Group South reach the Dniepr River at Dnepropetrovsk on August 17 and the town is captured. In the north, Novgorod, on the shores of Lake Ilmen, is also taken by the Germans. In Tokyo, the U.S. government presents a formal warning to the Japanese regarding continued expansion in southeast Asia. No decision is rendered, however, on the Japanese proposal of a meeting between President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Konoe. In the North Atlantic, the Panamanian cargo freighter SS *Longtaker*, owned by the U.S. Maritime Commission, is torpedoed by German submarine U-38 and sunk. Only three of the 27-man crew survive.

As a result of public protests, Adolf Hitler on August 18 orders a temporary halt to Nazi Germany's systematic euthanasia of the mentally ill and handicapped. However, practitioners of the euthanasia program are then transferred to concentration camps, where they continue their trade. On the Eastern Front, Gen. Semyon Budyonny, commanding the Soviet armies in the Ukraine, begins to withdraw as many of his troops as possible behind the line of the Dniepr River. In the area of German Army Group Center there are fierce engagements near Gomel, east of the Pripet Marshes. In the north, the German forces of Army Group North take Kingisepp, on the Luga River, east of Narva. There is also heavy fighting near Novgorod, on the Volkhov River, north of Lake Ilmen. In Belgrade, Serbia, the German armed forces' radio station — *Soldatensender Belgrad* — airs a little-known, two-year-old recording by German vocalist Lale Andersen: "Lili Marleen." The station's signal can be heard as far away as North Africa, and the song — about a soldier pining for his sweetheart — is an instant hit, becoming a favorite of both Axis and Allied soldiers in North Africa and the Middle East and, later, in Europe.

On August 19, the Royal Navy carrier *HMS Argus* sets sail for the Soviet Union carrying a cargo of Hawker Hurricane fighters to the Soviet Union, along with RAF pilots who will fly them in combat for the first few weeks. The 449 men of the U.S. Marine Corps 1st Defense Battalion establish the first permanent military garrison on Wake Island in the Pacific.

On the Eastern Front, the German 17th Army gains a bridgehead over the Dnieper River at Kremenchuk, Ukraine. German troops reach Gatchina, about 45 miles south of Leningrad, on August 20. Marshal Kliment Voroshilov, former military commander of the area, calls on the citizens of Leningrad to defend their city to the death. In Yugoslavia, Italian troops occupying Gospić, Croatia, discover evidence of the mass murder of Jews and Serbs by local Ustaše members. In France, a second roundup of Jews begins at the behest of the German Gestapo — over 4,200 Jews are arrested.

On August 21, the first Allied Arctic convoy, of seven ships, sails from Iceland bound for Arkhangelsk, in the Soviet Union, carrying war supplies. On the Eastern Front, Hitler orders Army Group North to encircle Leningrad, thinking that the loss of the symbolic capital of the Russian Revolution would be extremely demoralizing to the Soviets. In the north, the Germans take Chudovo, northeast of Novgorod, cutting the main rail link between Leningrad and Moscow. In Finnish attacks farther north, Kexholm is taken from the Soviets. In the center, the Soviets pull out of Gomel after a long struggle and a series of counterattacks. In the south, the Germans take Kherson on the lower Dniepr River.

## Dorney Park Trip

PERTH AMBOY - Trip to Dorney Park & Wildwater Kingdom, Friday August 19, 2016 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. \$35pp. Money Order Only. Transportation Included. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian at all times. For more information, call the Office of Recreation 732-826-1690 ext. 4305.

## Backpacks on the Balcony

PERTH AMBOY - The Kiwanis Club of Perth Amboy invites you to a back to school fundraiser on Tuesday, August 23rd from 5 p.m.-9 p.m. at Seabra's Armory located on 200 Front Street. All proceeds will go to the purchase of school supplies to benefit our Perth Amboy students. \$40 per person includes unlimited sangria and appetizers. For ticket information call 609 271-5680 or email at perthamboykiwanis@gmail.com #kidsneedkiwanis

## Carnival

SAYREVILLE - The Sayreville Police Auxiliary will be holding a carnival on Wednesday, August 31 through Saturday, September 3 at Kennedy Park on Washington Rd., in Sayreville. Free parking available at Sayreville War Memorial High School. Carnival hours are Wednesday through Friday 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. and Saturday 4 p.m. to 11 p.m. Rides, games, delicious food and great music. Come out and join us for some serious family fun! For more information visit sayrevillepoliceaux.org

## Frog Hollow Annual 5K Run & Health Walk

Press Release 6/3/16  
SOUTH AMBOY - The Frog Hollow 5K Run & Health Walk has will take place on Sunday, September 11, 2016. Proceeds will benefit the city of South Amboy's Fire and First Aid departments. There will be a free youth Fun Run, awards, t-shirts, post race picnic, and all day swimming and tennis for race participants. Entry fee is \$20 in advance and \$25 day of race. For more information or to download a registration form, go to [www.froghollowswim.com](http://www.froghollowswim.com) or register in person at the club 7:30 AM on race day. Fun Run steps off at 8:30 AM and the 5K Run starts at 9:00 AM. The Frog Hollow Swim and Tennis Club is located on Ferris St. off of South Pine Ave. in South Amboy, NJ. For additional information call race director, Danny McCrone at 732-721-6592 or go to [www.froghollowswim.com](http://www.froghollowswim.com)

## Dowdell's Mag- ical Mystery

### Extravaganza

SOUTH AMBOY - Tuesday, August 30 from 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Join us for the End of Summer Party! This magical event will have a Harry Potter theme with different stations featuring unique activities such as Zen coloring, snap circuits, jewelry making and our take on the wizard game Quiditch! So grab your wand and owl and save the date for this magical event. Refreshments & Surprises! All Ages. At the Sadie Pope Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy, Adjacent to the South Amboy High School. For more information, call 732-721-6060 or email [comments@dowdell.org](mailto:comments@dowdell.org)

## Book Drop/ Book Sale

PERTH AMBOY - 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 . . . 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, August 13<sup>th</sup> (CLOSED!) August 27<sup>th</sup>, September 10<sup>th</sup>, September 24<sup>th</sup>, October 8<sup>th</sup>, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, November 12<sup>th</sup>, December 10<sup>th</sup>. We will be there from 1:00 p.m.- 3:00 p.m. (weather permitting). For more info, e-mail us at [friendsofperthamboylibrary@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofperthamboylibrary@gmail.com)

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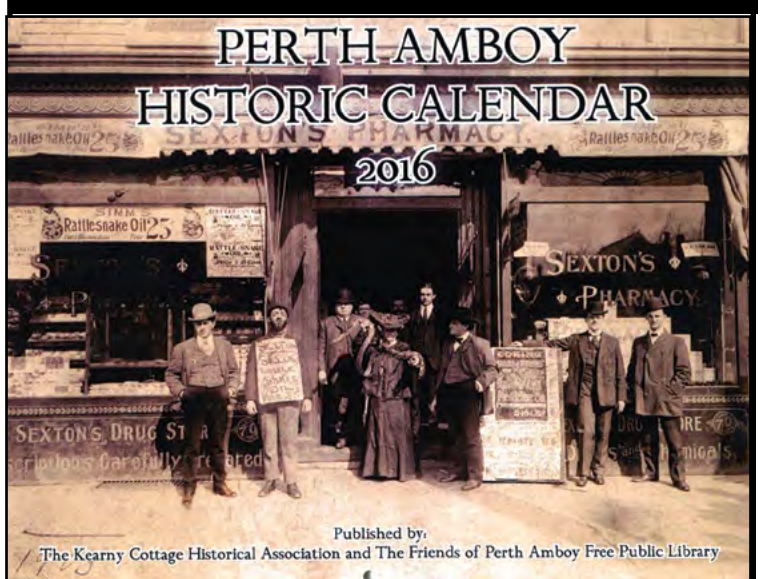
Enjoying the waterfront with my French bulldog "Harley" and my English bulldog "Sookie." They enjoy walking and just love attention and strangers petting them. The perfect "Amboy Ambassadors." Perth Amboy Fire Chief Abraham Pitre

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Special Pet?*  
Email us your Pet Photos to [AmboyGuardian@gmail.com](mailto:AmboyGuardian@gmail.com) with Pet of the Week in the Subject line and explain why your pet is special. Please include Name and Phone# for verification.

## Ask the Rabbi

EDISON - "Ask the Rabbi" with Rabbi Saks from Congregation Beth Mordecai of Perth Amboy, in the Menlo Park Mall food court, every Wednesday from 12:00 Noon - 1:30 p.m. All questions will be answered. Everyone is invited to ask.

## 2016 Historic Perth Amboy Calendars



2016 Historic Perth Amboy Calendars are available at the Barge Restaurant, 201 Front St., Perth Amboy 732-442-3000 or at Fertigs Uniform Store, 195 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy 732-442-1079 or Call Paul or Katherine at 732-293-1090. Back by popular demand the Calendars feature old photographs from Perth Amboy. Sponsored by the Kearny Cottage Historical Association and the Friends of Perth Amboy Free Public Library. Calendars are \$10 Each.



**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.*

**Drums Alive 2<sup>nd</sup> Reunion of Fitness Class Old Friends**

**SOUTH AMBOY** - The Knights of Columbus in South Amboy will be running another session of Drums Alive Fitness class starting on Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup>. The class starts at 7 p.m. and ends at 7:50 p.m. The cost is \$65 for 8 classes. Part of the proceeds benefit the Columbian Club Council No. 426. Location is 308 Fourth Street, South Amboy. Equipment needed is a Stability Ball and a Yoga mat, the rest of the equipment is provided.

This class is therapeutic and also a serious cardio workout! Drumming has been proven to trigger the release of endorphins. Endorphins help us endure pain and stress and make us more joyful. It has been proven that when people drum in a group even more endorphins are released!

Pre-registration is required. Please call Denise at 732-525-9536 or email [healthandfitnesswithdenise@gmail.com](mailto:healthandfitnesswithdenise@gmail.com). Please note that Tabata and Yoga classes on Tuesday evenings are still underway, join us at any time.

**PERTH AMBOY** - ZPA Hall, 281 Grace Street, Perth Amboy. Saturday, September 24, 2016 from 7 p.m. to 12 a.m. Tickets are \$55.00 pp. Check or Money Order. Tickets available from Committee: Hilda Williams -732-442-2505; Sara Hunley - 732-261-1148; Shirley Jones - 732-442-3629; Patricia Bowers - 732-697-1124; Faye Robinson -732-439-6268; Catered Buffet - Cash Bar - Music & Dancing & Prizes.

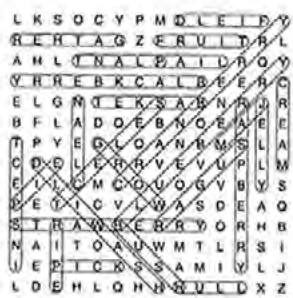
**A.C. Bus Trip San Salvador Seniors**

**PERTH AMBOY** - The San Salvador Seniors are sponsoring a bus trip to Caesar's Casino in AC on Thursday, September 1<sup>st</sup>. 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.

**A.C. Bus Trip Holy Rosary Seniors**

**HOPELAWN** - Holy Rosary Seniors Bus Trip to Golden Nugget, A/C on Tuesday, August 16, 2016, Cost: \$30 - \$25 back in play and \$5 food. Bus leaves church parking lot 625 Florida Grove Rd, Hopelawn at 10:00 a.m. and arrives back approx. 7:00 p.m. Any Questions, etc. Please contact Ronnie Dematteo: 732-442-5252

**Answers From Puzzle On Page 15**



**LOOKING BACK**



**PERTH AMBOY** - Air Raid Drill at Perth Amboy High School, State Street circa 1960's  
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**Senior Scene**

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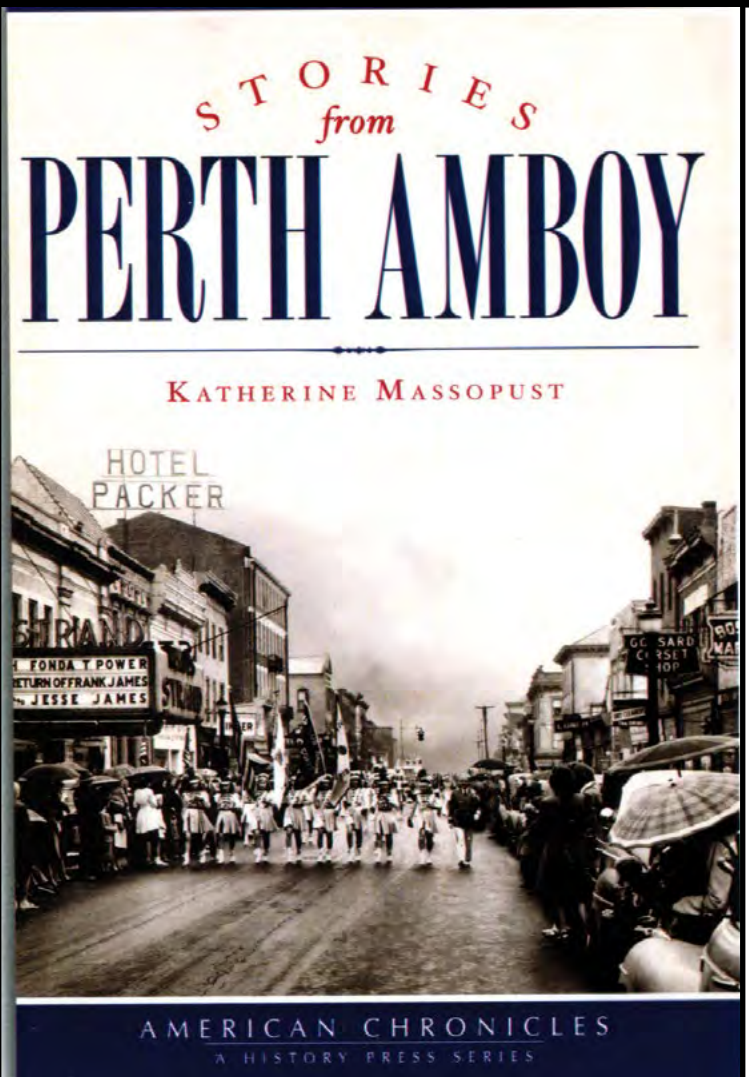
**Perth Amboy**

- WED. Aug. 17 Holy Rosary Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Auditorium, Florida Grove Rd.
- St. Stephen's Seniors, 1 p.m., Cafeteria, State St.
- THURS. Aug. 18 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
- MON. Aug. 22 St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.
- TUES. Aug. 23 Holy Spirit Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Church Hall, Brace Ave.
- Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.
- WED. Aug. 24 Holy Rosary Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Auditorium, Florida Grove Rd.
- St. Stephen's Seniors, 1 p.m., Cafeteria, State St.
- Holy Trinity Seniors, 1 p.m., Church Hall, Lawrie & Johnstone St.
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- THURS. Aug. 25 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.

**South Amboy**

- MON. Aug. 22 Sacred Heart Seniors, 12 Noon Memorial Hall, Wash Ave.
- WED. Sept. 7 St. Mary's Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.
- MON. Sept. 12 South Amboy Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.

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