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## Northlight Capital Partners Announces Demolition at Former Gerdau Ameristeel Site

Press Release 5/8/17

PERTH AMBOY - Mayor Wilda Diaz joined Northlight Capital Partners as they conducted a demolition this afternoon for the future redevelopment and cleanup of 92 acres of the former Gerdau manufacturing property located on 225 Elm Street.

Diaz was joined by Perth Amboy Redevelopment Agency Executive Director Annie Hindenlang and Commissions, Joel Rosa and Lionel Giron. Representatives of the City of Perth Amboy, P.A.R.T.N.E.R., the Perth Amboy Housing Authority for the demolition of a large structure located at the former Gerdau Ameristeel site that was recently acquired by Northlight Capital Partners (NCP).

"Perth Amboy's geographically bounded by the Raritan River, Arthur Kill, and Raritan Bay provides port access to the Atlantic Ocean for national and international marine traffic, most notably the Port of New York and New Jersey," said Mayor Wilda Diaz. "Because of the dually beneficial location both connected to the shoreline and the community in our Gateway entrance this investment will boost our local economy, develop business opportunities and hundreds of future jobs."



Demolition of Gerdau Ameristeel  
\*Photos by Paul W. Wang



Group Photo before the demolition

"On behalf of Northlight Capital and Catalyst Development, we are very pleased to work with the City, Council and the Redevelopment Agency through a productive and helpful process. We have been planning this with the administration and the Redevelopment

Agency with the community in mind, as we plan to develop an amphitheater, senior center and walkways to the waterfront. This should be a model for all complex redevelopment projects in the State of New Jersey."

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## Beer Garden Hours Questioned at Dominican Festival

5/8/17 Caucus & 5/10/17 Council

PERTH AMBOY - During the 5/8/17 Caucus, Councilman Fernando Irizarry opened up a can of worms in regards to the United Dominicans of Perth Amboy Festival. Irizarry wanted to make an amendment to reduce the hours of the Beer Garden at the Dominican Festival to be held on the dates of August 12, 2017 & August 13, 2017. The hours were supposed to last from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. on August 12, 2017 and 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. on August 13, 2017. He

wanted shorten the hours to end at 7 p.m. The motion was made Fernando Irizarry and seconded by Fernando Gonzalez.

During the 5/10/17 Council Meeting, several people came up to speak about the hardships which would occur if the hours were changed.

Fermin DeJesus, Chairman of the United Dominicans of Perth Amboy asked, "What did other organizations comply with in regards to their Beer Garden hours? Someone is trying to

cripple what we are doing. Other organizations were able to have Beer Gardens until 11 p.m."

Councilman Irizarry answered, "There is a difference between having a liquor license versus a social license. We're not looking to stop the Dominican Festival. I have proposed to reduce the liquor hours to reduce the number of people leaving the Festival drunk."

DeJesus replied, "We can lose

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## United Messengers of Peace Lung Cancer Awareness Luncheon 5/13/17



PERTH AMBOY - The United Messengers of Peace Lung Cancer Awareness Walk was turned into a luncheon which was held at St. Peter's Rectory due to inclement weather.

This did not deter over 100 supporters who came out to turn this event into a success. There were plenty of smiles to go around as those in attendance enjoyed good company, music and food. Various vendors were present to sell their wares and healthcare organizations handed out literature.

Pictured above: Photo #1: Holding the banner is UMoP Founder and President Stephanie Márquez-Villafañe (L) and Kelly Troche (R) Standing in back row middle is Edward Troche and Chief Roman McKeon along with the Captain of the Auxiliary Police John Rodriguez (2<sup>nd</sup> Right). Photo #2: Anthony Bermudez and his Mom, Haydee Bermudez (who was an honored guest) and other members of the Bermudez family. Photo #3: Kelly Troche with her Dad, Eddie, Nilda Rivera and her daughter, Stephanie Márquez-Villafañe.


Those in attendance included local Fire, Police, the Latin-American Motorcycle Association (LAMA), the Perth Amboy Youth Alliance and the Girl Scouts/Brownies. See Additional photos on Pg. 11.

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**A History of the  
 50's & 60's  
 Through  
 Popular Song**

Press Release 5/9/17  
 WOODBRIDGE - Take a journey through time with eclectic folk-rocker Marc Black on Wednesday, May 24 at 7 pm at the Woodbridge Main Library. Marc will use a wide range of popular songs including surprising favorites like "Itsy Bitsy Teenie Weenie Yellow Polka Dot Bikini," great rock tunes like "Blue Suede Shoes" and moving folk songs like Bob Dylan's "Blowin' in the Wind" to reflect on American history and culture. He'll be sure to get you singing and feeling good about where you are...and where you've been.

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In the words of folk legend, Happy Traum, "Marc is a master at spreading the joy of music."

This event is open to free and open to all. The Woodbridge Main Library is located at 1 George Frederick Plaza, Woodbridge, NJ.



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# LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

## EDITORIAL

### Remembering Allen Farkas



Holocaust Remembrance at City Hall 2012 Allan Farkas (2nd from left) Wife Lillian (Center) \*File Photo



Allan Farkas & Herschel Chomsky at City Hall Circle 2012 \*File Photo



Elizabeth Farkas (L) daughter of Holocaust Survivor Alan Farkas poses with Frieda Mehrel (R) whose grandfather was in the same Concentration Camp (Bergen-Belsen) as Anne Frank. Anne Frank died there in February 1945, at the age of 15.

\*File Photo by C. Maxwell

On April 26, 2017, Herschel Chomsky came over to speak to me after the Perth Amboy Council Meeting had concluded. Herschel Chomsky is instrumental in coordinating the event where Holocaust survivors speak of their experiences during the National Day of Remembrance which begins with a Israeli Flag Raising at City Hall Circle and then continues in the Council Chambers.

Mayor Wilda Diaz started having Holocaust Remembrance Programs held in City Hall.

Herschel wanted to remind me that the event would be taking place on May 1, 2017. He then hit me with some unexpected news when he told me that Allan Farkas, a Holocaust Survivor who spoke a few years ago had passed away in December 2016.

I was there when Mr. Farkas and other survivors spoke very emotionally about the sufferings they and their family members endured.

It was such an emotional presentation that I also followed up the story with an editorial.

I would occasionally see Mr. Farkas and his daughter, Elizabeth on bus rides to A.C. They would sit in the back and enjoy very healthy snacks to eat on the way down. If I was sitting near them, they would offer to share some with me. Elizabeth was very protective of her father. On the ride down, Elizabeth would be on the phone speaking to her mother, then would pass the phone to her Dad.

Mr. Farkas was fond of reading one of the New York Daily Newspapers and when he finished he would offer it to anyone else who wanted to read it. He was one of the most genuine people I have ever met. He will not be forgotten. *C.M.*

### Gerdau Ameristeel Demolished

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sey," said Stephen Parnes, Principal of Catalyst Development Partners.

The latest redevelopment project is another multimillion dollar investment located at the gateway of our City.

- Redevelopment & cleanup of 92 acres of former manufacturing property into 1,350,000 square foot warehouse/distribution industrial park comprised of two buildings,
- NCP is working with the NJDEP representative and the City of Perth Amboy to create a sustainable development with green infrastructure,
- The redevelopment concept contemplates an enhanced circulation plan which links, Mar-



ket Street, Elm Street, and Riverview Drive.

Through this partnership, there are plans to preserve two historic Gerdau structures on the site and provide public waterfront access, including a senior citizen park located near our Alexander F. Jankowski Community Center at 1 Olive

Street and a waterfront park that will both be connected by a mile long of green way bordering the shoreline.

The new development is estimated at \$125 million dollars, in addition to another several hundred employment opportunities.

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sponsors because of the reduced hours."

Irizarry questioned DeJesus, "Isn't this supposed to be a family event?"

Sergio Diaz, who is on the Festival Committee came up to speak, "There was no concern when people had their Beer Gardens up until 2 a.m. We need the beer sponsors to help pay for the entertainment and security."

Irizarry spoke again to assure the organizers, "If the Puerto Rican Festival had the same hours (for a Beer Garden) I would have asked for a reduction of those hours, too."

S. Diaz continued, "This is a community event that people love and we just ask not to handicap us and treat us just like any other organization."

Luis Cruz, another Festival Committee Member came up to speak, "We have not had any incidents pertaining to Beer Gardens in the past. We closely monitor the consumption and behavior of those attending. We are a blue collar community. We will not be serving hard liquor or promoting drinking. People come to enjoy the food and music. We already signed contracts months ago and promoted the event on social media based on the contract we signed. We had made adjustments to accommodate what was asked of us."

Resident Jeremy Baratta came up and agreed with the organizers of the Festival. "People want to come out when it's cooler and a couple of bad apples shouldn't ruin it for others."

The Treasurer of the Dominican Festival came up to add comments, "Changing the Beer Garden hours will affect us. We reduced the (Beer Garden) hours. The beer we serve is very light and we also have wine. The change of hours should have been brought to our attention earlier."

Resident David Caba came up to speak and said that he agreed with Councilman Irizarry, "Even at stadiums, they stop selling liquor after the seventh inning. If I'm a family man with kids, I may not want to go to an event with large crowds that will have alcohol consumption. If you value money over family, then we shouldn't do this, but I don't know the whole details."

Resident Reinaldo Aviles came up to speak, "Alcohol is part of our lives." Then addressing Councilman Irizarry, Aviles continued, "Just because you have an issue with alcohol, you may be putting the City up against a lawsuit because of the proposed changes of the Beer Garden hours. The hours that were chosen were to meet the criteria of the beer sponsors. Churches have alcohol at their events. If you want to control

the consumption of beer, then you should close the bars early, too. The people running the Festival are part of the community and not outsiders."

Councilman Jelmin Caba made a motion to change the hours of the Beer Garden for the Festival back to the original hours.

Councilman Joel Pabon had a few comments to make in regards to this matter, "We (the Council) should talk to organizers of all festivals at the beginning of the year. We made a change without knowing the effects it will have on this Festival. We need to look at ordinances in advance if we want to change it. Let them (The United Dominicans of Perth Amboy) have the original hours for this year because of the commitment made to their sponsors, vendors, and entertainers that were made way in advance."

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez asked the Law Director, Peter King, "Are we opening us up to a liability if we change the hours?"

King responded, "No, but they can do a discrimination suit."

Councilman Irizarry said, "I will second the motion to change back hours to the original hours based on what was said here tonight. I was thinking about the community first. It was not based on my personal faith."

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**Proprietary House Open**

**PERTH AMBOY** - The Proprietary House, the last official Royal Governor's residence still standing in the original 13 colonies, is open every Wednesday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., for tea and tours. Tea is served in our atmospheric candle-lit wine cellar, and includes our delicious homemade desserts and assorted teas. A \$10 donation, \$5 for children under 12, covers both the tea and a mansion.

Although the house is still in the process of being restored, some rooms have been newly decorated. Go back in time and learn about William Franklin and other residents of the house. It's a perfect way to spend a pleasant afternoon. The gift shop is also open.

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 E-mail: [info@proprietaryhouse.org](mailto:info@proprietaryhouse.org). Follow us on our website, [www.theproprietaryhouse.org](http://www.theproprietaryhouse.org) and or/Facebook.

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WED. May 24	City Council, Regular, 7 p.m. City Hall, High St.
THURS. May 25	Historic Preservation Commission, 7 p.m. City Hall, High St.
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We understand that some may be concerned by the recent incidents/threats in New York, Seaside, NJ and Elizabeth, NJ. At this time, it has been reported that a suspect was taken into custody in Linden, NJ. We are taking safety precautions in the City of Perth Amboy, and I want to emphasize that it is important that **IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING!!**

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**NOTICE TO ALL PERTH AMBOY HOUSING AUTHORITY**

**Public Housing and Section 8 Participants**

Effective Monday, April 17, 2017, please be advised that the Housing Authority of the City of Perth Amboy will implement new office hours of operation for program participants as follows:

Monday	8:30 am-4:30 pm
Tuesday	8:30 am-4:30 pm
Wednesday	Appointments Only- No Walk-Ins
Thursday	8:30 am-4:30 pm
Friday	No Appointments- No Walk-Ins Office Closed To The Public

Due to an increase in our Public Housing/Section 8 caseload, it is necessary for the Authority to restrict unscheduled visits from program participants so that staff has uninterrupted time to process documentation in a timely manner.

We regret any inconvenience this may cause and would like to assure you that we are always committed to providing the highest quality standards in housing and customer service.

We encourage you to use email to correspond with staff, as well as our voicemail system to leave staff a message.

Public Housing Residents may continue to access the office to pay rent or report a maintenance problem. All other business must be conducted according to the stated hours.

*Business Partners may continue to call or visit the Housing Authority Monday-Friday between 8:30 am – 4:30 pm.*

**Yogi Berra Museum & Learning Center Celebrates Yogi's Birthday with Hackensack Meridian Health Raritan Bay Medical Center-Perth Amboy**

*\*Photo Submitted by Raritan Bay Medical Center*



Photo Release

PERTH AMBOY - In honor of what would have been Yogi's 92nd birthday on May 12, the Yogi Berra Museum & Learning Center donated Yogi Berra Museum baby hats, along with free Museum memberships for the families of all children born that day at Hackensack Meridian Health Hospitals, including Raritan Bay Medical Center-Perth Amboy.

Pictured from left, (front) in the maternity unit at Raritan Bay-Perth Amboy, is dad Godfred Agyeri, his son 15-month-old Brian, mom Patience with newborn son Brandon. Pictured, in the back row, is Maternity Unit Nurse Manager Carolyn Kedzierski, R.N., nurse intern Oluwatomiwo "Tomi" Odefemi and Assistant Nurse Manager Lisa Ann Gernon, R.N.

The outreach effort is part of the Museum's mission to keep Yogi's remarkable legacy alive for a new generation of learners and leaders, both on and off the field.

"While Yogi is sadly no longer with us, the values that made him a national treasure – respect, sportsmanship, perseverance and excellence – are more important today than ever," says Eve Schaenen, executive director, Yogi Berra Museum. "Yogi's entire life represents a shining example of integrity, humility and unwavering kindness. With this gift we hope to see a whole new generation sporting Yogi Berra Museum hats in his honor."

***South Amboy Memorial Day Parade & Services***

SOUTH AMBOY – Our parade is being held on the Saturday prior to Memorial Day Weekend to encourage participation by our citizens. Please join us as we salute our servicemen and women. All Veterans are invited to march with us. Anyone interested in participating can contact Phyllis at 732-347-4181.

Parade Route: Line up at Knights of Columbus on 4th Street at 11 a.m. Proceed down Stevens Avenue to John Street and up Broadway to City Hall.

Memorial Services will be held by the American Legion Post 62 at City Hall following the Parade. We hope you will be able to stay for these services.

American Legion Luke A. Lovely Post 62 at City Hall following the sites on Sunday, May 28, 2017.

- 1) Gazebo on Bordentown Ave. 9 a.m. sharp
- 2) Christ Church Cemetery
- 3) Morgan Cemetery
- 4) Morgan Explosion Cemetery
- 5) Sacred Heart Cemetery
- 6) St. Mary's Cemetery
- 7) Benjamin Sebban Monument (at Waterfront Park)
- 8) SA Boat Ramp
- 9) American Legion Post 62

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For additional information, please contact [events@southamboy.gov](mailto:events@southamboy.gov) or call Jaclyn Kelly at 732-525-5965

**Why Was It Changed?**

***5/10/17 Council Meeting***

PERTH AMBOY - Caroline Pozycki-Torres, President of the Perth Amboy Artworks was concerned why a concert that she had planned to kickoff her music series on June 10, 2017 was to be rescheduled.

She started out by telling the Council, "I am happy to report that I received my first grant for the Ferry Slip Music Series. I had filled out the application and when I turned it in, they said because of a clerical error, my event could not be held on the date I requested which is June 10, 2017. There was no other events being held at the Ferry Slip on that date or time. I had already sent out a signed contract with the band that was supposed to perform on the June 10<sup>th</sup> date. This is the same day as one of the dates that the Puerto Rican Festival which is

being held on the other side of town. Even Kenny Ortiz (Director of the Department of Recreation) where I got the application said that the band that I booked (for the Ferry Slip Music Series) would compliment the Puerto Rican Festival. The band that we booked is also a Puerto Rican Band."

Business Administrator Adam Cruz told Pozycki-Torres, "It could be a matter of security. The Puerto Rican Festival may need a lot of security which will not give us enough officers to cover your event."

Council President Bill Petrick was confused by that statement, "If a Festival takes that much of our resources (security), that it makes other parts of the town vulnerable, then we shouldn't have it."

Councilman Fernando Gonzales

said, "I agree with Council President Petrick."

Pozycki-Torres continued, "The application that I filled out was submitted to the Department of Recreation, and then from there to the Mayor's Office."

Councilman Joel Pabon commented, "The Ferry Slip Music Festival will compliment the Puerto Rican Festival and one will not take away from the other. You are talking about 2 events far away from each other."

Pozycki-Torres said, "In the past, we've had 2 Auxiliary Police at our event."

Petrick said, "We don't have a problem with your event being held on June 10, 2017. He then asked B.A. Cruz to look into this.

**Respect Life Art Contest Winners**

*\*Photos Submitted by P.A. Catholic School*



Press Release

PERTH AMBOY - Two students from Perth Amboy Catholic School were winners in the Diocese of Metuchen Respect Life Art Contest. The Award Ceremony was held on May 9th at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center in Piscataway, N.J. The theme for this year was "I Say Yes to Life". Katarina Koziotova from Perth Amboy Catholic School won 1st Place in the 6th Grade Category and Abigail Rosa of Perth Amboy Catholic Primary School won 2nd Place in the 2nd Grade Category.

The students were accompanied to the Mass, Luncheon and Award Ceremony by their families, the Principals of Primary School, Sr. Beverly Policastro and the Upper School, Sr. Rebecca Piatek and their Art Teacher, Rose Lavin Pennyfeather.

Pictured in photo, left to right: Sr. Beverly Policastro, Abigail Rosa, Katarina Koziotova and Sr. Rebecca Piatek of Perth Amboy Catholic School.

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## Author

### Presentation

PERTH AMBOY – There will be an author presentation on Saturday, May 20, 2017, 1 p.m. at the Perth Amboy Free Public Library, 196 Jefferson Street. Presenting Organizing Humorist, Media Personality and Author of "Keep This Toss That!", Jaime Novak, who will give a talk on how to unclutter your life, a Laugh-Out-Loud look at the common challenges to getting organized. Free. Reservations Suggested but not Required

### Cruise Nights on Broadway

SOUTH AMBOY – Come join DJ Richie the flash and crew for great cruise nights the third Wednesday of every month from June to October from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Music from the '50's to the '80's. Trophies will be awarded - Bring the Family! For additional info please contact carshowsRus@gmail.com or Mike Toth at moth1@optonline.net or 908-930-3497. Sponsored by the City of South Amboy.

### Exciting May Programs! Culinary Classes and Live Music with Marc Black

Press Release 4/28/17  
SOUTH AMBOY – Stop by the Dowdell Library in May for exciting programming including Culinary Classes and a 50's & 60's Musical Tribute with Marc Black.

Looking for appetizer ideas for your Memorial Day weekend? Join us on Wednesdays, May 10 and 17 from 3-4 pm for a culinary demonstration as we make a warm delicious dip, good for everything from chips to veggies!

Stop by for Music @ Dowdell on Tuesday, May 30 from 6-8 pm with Marc Black, an Eclectic Folk Rocker and NY Chapter Blues Hall of Fame Inductee as he plays a musical tribute from the 50's and 60's. Step back in time and hear some tunes such as "Itsy Bitsy Teenie Weenie Yellow Polka Dot Bikini," moving folk songs like Bob Dylan's "Blowin' in the Wind," and many others.

To learn about upcoming library programs, sign up for the monthly eNewsletter at <http://dowdell.org/newslettersignup.html>

The Dowdell Library's hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday from 10 am to 8 pm, Wednesday and Friday from 10 am to 5 pm and Saturdays from 12-4 pm. For more information, please visit [www.dowdell.org](http://www.dowdell.org), or contact the Library at 732-721-6060 or [comments@dowdell.org](mailto:comments@dowdell.org).

## Grow Your Own Healthy Produce

By: Nina K. Regevik, M.D., FACP, ABIHM

Eating a diet rich in fruits and vegetables is essential in obtaining overall health. Fruits and vegetables are high in fiber, contain important vitamins and minerals, and may even reduce your overall disease risk. Healthful organic produce acts as a healthy and convenient snack, and can even be grown in your own backyard. The following are some examples of produce that is healthy and can be grown at home.

Broccoli - A fall and spring "superfood" veggie, that like kale, cabbage and other cruciferous vegetables, are a great addition to a healthy diet.

Kale – A cool weather crop that is packed with vitamins and minerals.

Spinach – An easy to grow crop that keep artery walls free

of cholesterol, which can help in the prevention of heart attacks.

Garlic – An early summer crop, typically planted in the fall, which may help in reducing high blood pressure, lowering cancer rates and fighting infection.

Blueberries – A summer crop that is packed with antioxidants and may help with memory loss and eye health.

Figs – A crop rich in potassium and calcium. Fig trees can also be easily grown in containers, making them ideal for limited space gardens.

If you are interested in gardening but are not sure where to begin, Raritan Bay Medical Center has a great resource available to show you how to grow healthful produce in your own backyard. Free hands-on gardening education and other educational events are provided

at The Learning Garden in Perth Amboy. The medical center's Integrative Health Services spearheaded the creation of the annual garden program through a donation by the Raritan Bay medical staff, numerous team member and community volunteers and under the guidance of Master Gardener Constance Elek. The program was launched at Raritan Bay in 2015 with the goal of providing education for children and adults about the basics of organic gardening and the importance of healthy produce and proper nutrition.

Initial planting sessions will begin mid- to late-May and education sessions will be held on Thursdays, July 6 through August 31, 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Volunteers are welcome to assist in maintaining and harvesting the garden. For more information, schedule of

education events including the first plantings, or to register as a volunteer, call 732-324-5257.

*Internist Nina K. Regevik, M.D., FACP, ABIHM, is co-director of Integrative Health Services at Hackensack Meridian Health Raritan Bay Medical Center with Paula O'Neill, MS, R.N.-BC. Since 2004, the program's qualified and credentialed practitioners have provided integrative therapies to enhance patient health and well-being on an inpatient basis and are provided without a fee. Additional outpatient services and classes are available for a fee. All services support the mind, body, and spirit and are customized to individuals' needs. For more information or an appointment, call 732-324-5257 or visit [www.rbmc.org/integrativehealth](http://www.rbmc.org/integrativehealth).*



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**July 5, 2017 - August 25, 2017**  
**Monday - Friday**  
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**Ages 3-5 (Date of birth: 10/16/11-10/15/14)**

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## Target Job Fair

PERTH AMBOY - Mayor Diaz is extremely excited to announce that Target (warehouse) is the new tenant of the Bridge Development site located on High Street.

Target will be opening their distribution facility (not retail) later this summer and is hiring at this time for several local positions. Please see the flyer below and attached for the upcoming job fair on **Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>**. Interested parties are encouraged to apply online, so they can interview in person at the job fair

**APPLY ONLINE HERE:**  
<https://jobs.target.com/location/perth-amboy-jobs/1118/6252001-5101760-5101160-5102578/>

## Flea Market

SAYREVILLE - The First Presbyterian Church of Sayreville will be holding their Annual Flea Market on Saturday, June 3rd, 2017 in the Church parking lot. We are located at 172 Main Street, directly across for Borough Hall. The hours are 8am-2pm. Come join us for bargains and good food. You never know what treasures you may find.

There are still spaces available for vendors, for more information please contact the Church at 732-257-6353 or churchoffice172@optimum.net.

## Raffle

PERTH AMBOY - Saint John Paul II Parish Raffle, 490 State St., Perth Amboy NJ; Tickets \$20 Each.

1<sup>st</sup> Prize – 2017 Honda Civic  
2<sup>nd</sup> Prize – Flat Screen TV 65” – Donated by Toshiba  
3<sup>rd</sup> Prize – Laptop, 15” 8GB – Donated by Zevallos/Skrocki Home for Funerals  
4<sup>th</sup> Prize – Portable Electric Generator – Donated by United Poles Federal Credit Union  
5<sup>th</sup> Prize – Apple Watch – Donated by St. John Paul II Parish “Señor de los Milagros”  
6<sup>th</sup> Prize – Apple iPad, Air 2, 9.7 inch/16GB – Donated by Julio’s Auto Repair  
7<sup>th</sup> Prize - \$300.00 Gift Card – Donated by Flynn & Sons Funeral Home  
8<sup>th</sup> Prize – Snow Removal – Donated by Petra Best Realty  
9<sup>th</sup> Prize – Canon Digital Camera EF-S 18-55MM f/3.5-5.6 IS, - Donated by Quisqueya Restaurant  
10<sup>th</sup> Prize – X Box One 500GB – Donated by K&K Project

TO BE DRAWN Saturday, June 17, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at Saint Stephen’s School Auditorium.

No substitutions of the offered prizes may be made. No cash will be given in lieu of the prize. Must be 18 YRS. or older to participate. Winner need not be present. Winner is responsible for all federal and state tax. All proceeds will benefit Saint John Paul II Parish.

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## Edison AARP Ch. 3446

EDISON - Edison AARP Chapter 3446 will meet on Monday, May 15, 2017 at 1:00 pm. The meeting will be held at Our Lady of Peace Parish Center on Franklin Avenue in the Fords section of Edison, NJ. Certified Financial Planner, Bruce T. Yenck, will speak on estate planning and creating your family love letter.

Upcoming Events:

May 16: Day trip to the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse to see the comedy "Born Yesterday." For information, call Mary Ann at 732-287-3659.

June 2-8: Collette trip to The Badlands & Mount Rushmore - For information, call Bob at 732-885-1789.

June 23: AARP Drivers Safety Course - 9:00 am to 4:00 pm - For reservations, call Bob at 732-885-1789.

September 15: A complete luncheon, dancing & show at Li Grecis Staaten, Staten Island, NY - For information, call Mary Ann at 732-287-3659.

For information on the Knitting and Crocheting club, contact Kay at 732-548-1976.

Canned food for MCFOOD, as well as miscellaneous items for hospitals and nursing homes will be collected at the meeting.

For additional information, visit our website at [www.edisonaarp.org](http://www.edisonaarp.org).



# Programa De Verano De Mi Escuelita Preschool



**Julio 5, 2017 - Agosto 25, 2017**  
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**National Day of Remembrance Holocaust Commemoration Ceremony 5/17 Perth Amboy City Hall Circle & Council Chambers**

*\*Photos by Paul W. Wang*



By: Carolyn Maxwell  
**PERTH AMBOY** - The Holocaust Day of Remembrance started out with a traditional Flag Raising of the Israeli Flag. Rabbi Saks held onto his young son as he offered prayers and remarks. Rabbi Saks was also moved by how much he was embraced by the City of Perth Amboy and spoke of his love for the City that he will be leaving in a few short weeks.

After the raising of the flag, ceremonies were held inside the City Hall Chambers.

Herschel Chomsky led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Rev. Gregory Pabon of the Perth Amboy Police and Fire Chaplain Corps led the Invocation. He asked, "Open our hearts and minds so the memories of what happened never die." He asked the Lord, "Strengthen our will and we say that genocide will never again be repeated. I pray that calls of evil fall on deaf ears. We are made in your image. Remember the souls of those millions that died and we say, "Shalom." Fill this day with peace."

Herschel Chomsky came back up to the podium to offer remarks. He first asked for a moment of silence for Allan Farkas (A Holocaust Survivor who spoke at the Remembrance Ceremony a few years ago and also for Elie Wiesel, well-known Author, Professor, Activist, Nobel Prize Winner and Holocaust Survivor and Multiple Award Winner and one of the founders of U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington D.C.). Farkas and Wiesel both passed away in 2016.

Chomsky continued, "We have a Holocaust display at the

library." He also remembered the Nigerian girls who were kidnapped in April 2014. "It was in the media for a short period of time, but no one is talking about them now. There have been no updates. It's a disgrace. Frankly, no one cares. The history of the Holocaust needs to be told and maybe one day those Nigerian girls will be found. I pray one day that programs like this will not be needed. This is a very important day. I want to thank the Honorable Mayor Wilda Diaz who started this Remembrance Day (in the City). We've also have Chanukah Celebrations held at City Hall."

He then introduced Mayor Diaz. Diaz remarked, "We have to speak up for those who can't speak for themselves. I feel that I've been adopted by the Jewish Community. I want to acknowledge the kids that are here so they can pass on what they learn here tonight to others. Our Jewish Community includes doctors, lawyers, educators and business owners."

She then wished the guest speaker, Holocaust Survivor Shmuel David Pilicer "Many blessings and a long life to continue telling your story."

Before Pilicer spoke, it was acknowledged that he just became a great-grandfather (again) and one of his great-grandchildren just got engaged. And also 69 years ago, if he was told that he would be a free man to speak about his experience, he would have told you that you were crazy. He suffered for 6 years (hunger, torture, slave labor and losing family members).

Shmuel began to speak, remembering when it all started (September 1, 1939). "Then on

September 4, 1939 - which was a Friday, they extinguished the candlelights in the middle of the Shabbot Meal and they took my Father. They tried to get him to smoke while cleaning the streets. In 1942, they took every man and woman and put them into two groups. Group A would be the healthy people and children. They told my Mother - give up the kids and you can go home. She didn't want to do it. One woman gave up her baby and her baby was shot. On one occasion, a pregnant Jewish woman when she gave birth - what they did to the baby was indescribable. There were about 300,000 Jews and they gave us almost nothing to eat. My Dad got weaker and weaker. We worked one of two shifts. The army tanks couldn't go on the ice, so they tried to put them on sleds. I tried to pick up two kilos of coal and I tried to save my Mother, but the Doctor said it was too late. I worked all night working on the sleds. On night, I was told to take a rest. I had an older sister and a younger sister and a younger brother who was in a different camp. We were given soup and toast to eat. This went on for about a year. My sisters went to work. Once in the morning I was told to go to sleep. I was told that my Dad said he had a dream that I would survive and that I should be a good Jew. The number and the date of my Father's death was in the month of Thomas. In the last few years, it's been difficult for me to travel (to visit my Father's grave site). But my Granddaughter takes the trip and shows me the pictures. Over 20 years my

total weight at the time never went over 82 lbs. The Americans couldn't understand what was going on. There was one woman who started us on a diet to bring us back to health. I just have to repeat that what they did to newborn babies is impossible to describe. One of the survivors was shot by a German the day of the liberation. They hung 10 people and one person screamed very loudly. Everybody was praying, but we are not allowed to commit suicide. One time I fainted and was put in the corner of a room where it was cooler. They did a count and realized they were missing one person. I stayed quiet. A Russian Soldier gave me a machine gun to kill people. I didn't want to do it, and besides I had no strength. At the first camp, we said prayers and exchanged bread and matzos. We made something that resembled bread. After the war and when it broke out again I was in Rome. There are people who are trying to deny the Holocaust which motivates me to tell my story."

There was a question and answer period and when it was asked of Shmuel David Pilicer if he were able to forgive those (such as Hitler) who did these terrible things, he emphatically answered, "No! I never forgive those who did this! I'm the only one of 6 children who survived."

One of the people who came up to speak was Geri Barcheski, "I thank you for coming here tonight to share your story and let our children know of your suffering so people never forget."

Another person asked, "How long have you been in the United States?"

He answered, "69 years ago my Father's Cousin was living here. The world is not quiet and I see what's going on in France and the United States."

Just before the 12 candles were to be lit in remembrance of the 6 million Jews killed in the Holocaust and the other 6 million killed besides that, Pilicer remembered he had an encounter with Dr. Mengele at Auschwitz. "I shook hands with my two sisters and never saw them again. I saw my brother sent to the gas chambers. This happened before my own eyes."

During the ceremony of lighting the 12 candles, the first candle was brought over to Pilicer who was seated. Others who lit the Memorial Candles which were held one by one by Chomsky included: Mayor Diaz, Councilman Irizarry, Administrators, Clergy and Students who were in attendance.

During the evening, music and songs were provided by Moti (Marc) Lieberman. Benediction was given by Rabbi Shabsi Ganzweig.

Herschel Chomsky parting remarks were: "Every person in this room learned something."

Rabbi Ganzweig said, "Pray for true peace to reign in the world."

Shmuel David Pilicer is a published author of the book: "You Will Outlive Them," which tells of his experience living through the Holocaust.

*\*Many of the Nigerian girls that Herschel Chomsky mentioned early in the evening were found and reunited with their families a few days after the 5/17 Day of Remembrance Ceremony.*

**UMoP Lung Cancer Awareness Luncheon 5/13/17 - St. Peter's Rectory**

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(732) 442-6421  
RTROCHE@PERTHAMBOYNJ.ORG

**TIME: 5:30PM-9:30PM**

  
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## Book Sale

WOODBIDGE - The Robert E. Lee CWRT and Research Center will be having a book sale on Saturday, July 1, 2017. Dozens of top quality books will be priced to sell. Some topics available will be personalities, battles, medicine and weapons, just to name a few. The library is located in the Mercatili Building on 94 Green Street in Woodbridge. Enter through the side doors which are off the driveway, and look for room 104. The sale will run from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Looking forward to seeing you! Stop by, peruse, chat and while you're there, enjoy our light refreshments.

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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 the Crimea, the Kerch Peninsula on May 15 is in German hands, with 170,000 Soviet soldiers taken prisoner. Sevastopol is now once again isolated. In the U.S., a bill creating the Women's Auxiliary Army Corps (WAAC) is signed into law by President Roosevelt. Because voluntary curtailment of auto-fuel use isn't working well in the U.S., 17 eastern states impose mandatory gasoline rationing. By December, gasoline rationing is required in all 48 states. Drivers who use their autos for "non-essential" purposes are limited to the purchase of three gallons of gasoline per week.

The U.S. Army's 1st Armored Division arrives in Northern Ireland on May 16 for advanced training. In Occupied Poland, the Sobibór extermination camp becomes operational. Japanese troops occupy Flores Island, just west of Timor in the Dutch East Indies.

In a salient north of Kharkiv, Ukraine, on May 17, the Soviets are having difficulty overcoming the German 6th Army under Gen. Friedrich Paulus. Meanwhile, south of Kharkiv, Gen. Ewald von Kleist launches a counteroffensive at Izium that is immediately successful. In the central Pacific, off Truk, the American sub *USS Tautog* torpedoes and sinks Japanese submarine I-28.

On May 18 in the Ukraine, the Red Army is in major retreat on the Kerch Peninsula of the Crimea, with large numbers of troops surrendering. The Germans capture Izium, south of Kharkiv, and take 214,000 Soviet prisoners. The largest contingent yet of U.S. troops to arrive in Europe lands in Northern Ireland.

As of May 19, Kleist's counteroffensive at Izium continues to gain ground. In the north, Paulus also launches a counter-attack, hoping to link up with Kleist and encircle as many Soviet troops as possible.

At Kharkiv, Ukraine, on May 20, the leading elements of Kleist's and Paulus's forces draw ever closer. The Soviets frantically scramble to generate a fighting retreat or at least to maximize what can be saved of their troops. In Asia, the Japanese conquest of Burma is complete in what the British term a "military catastrophe." Troops of the 2nd Canadian Infantry Division begin training in England for "Operation Rutter," an amphibious assault of the German-occupied port of Dieppe, France. In Asia, Gen. Joseph Stilwell and his party reach Imphal, in the eastern state of Manipur, India, just as Japanese forces in Burma reach the country's northern borders with China and India. The 59-year-old infantryman has successfully led his people on a 190-mile escape trek, much of it on foot.

"Operation Herkules," a planned German-Italian invasion of Malta, is postponed indefinitely by the German High Command on May 21. German firm I.G. Farben establishes a factory to manufacture synthetic oil and rubber near the Auschwitz concentration camp, outside of Oświęcim, Occupied Poland. The plant will use slave labor from the camp. A decree by the Nazi occupation authorities in the Netherlands authorizes the complete expropriation of Jewish property.

### Chili Church

PERTH AMBOY -Thursday, May 4, 6:30 p.m. St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 183 Rector Street, Perth Amboy. More information call 732-826-1594. Free Event.

### Ask the Rabbi

EDISON - Wednesdays, 12 noon -1 p.m. at the Food Court in Menlo Park Mall (between Chik-fil-A and Panera) Have a question? Have a seat! Bring your lunch and ask Rabbi Ari Saks of Congregation Beth Mordecai ANY question you'd like about Judaism, life, spirituality...anything! First person to come will get a FREE drink from the rabbi. For more information please contact Rabbi Saks at ari.saks@gmail.com

### Book Sale

PERTH AMBOY - 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. Presently due to lack of shelf space we are NOT accepting any donations of books.

Visit us at the Brighton Ave. Community Center located at the corner of Brighton Ave. and Sadowski Pkwy. in Perth Amboy. The schedule is as follows: Saturdays May 27. 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 Book Dealers are welcome. !!!!



### Spring Yard Sale

PERTH AMBOY - Clear Out Your Clutter! Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the YMCA Parking Lot. \$20 per parking space, registration is REQUIRED! Call the Y for more information, 732-442-3632.

### 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, June 1, 2017. 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 St. John Paul II

#### Seniors

PERTH AMBOY - There is a Trip to the Resorts Casino in Atlantic City. The next trip will be held on Wed. May 24, 2017. Cost \$30 pp.; \$25 back in slot play. Bus will depart from behind St. Stephens Church parking lot on Mechanic Street at 9:45 a.m. Call Bobbi to reserve a seat: 732-636-2867.

### Bus Trip Holy Rosary Seniors

HOPELAWN - Holy Rosary Seniors sponsoring a bus trip to Mount Airy Casino on Tuesday, June 20 2017. Includes a 3:30 PM show "The Music of Mamma Mia," lunch buffet, \$10 slot play and bus. Cost is \$70 a person. Bus leaves Church parking lot at 10:00 am. For more details please call Ronnie 732-442-5252

### A.C. Bus Trip Fellowship Circle of the Hungarian Reformed Church

PERTH AMBOY - Atlantic City Bus Trip to the Tropicana Casino on Sunday, June 11, 2017

Sponsored by the Fellowship Circle of the Hungarian Reformed Church, 331 Kirkland Place, Perth Amboy, NJ. Bus leaves the church at 12:00 Noon - 6 hour stay at Casino from when we arrive in AC. Cost: \$30.00 per person (\$25 slot play). Bagged lunch provided -To reserve a seat call: 732-261-8726

## A Gospel

### Extravaganza

PERTH AMBOY - Perth Amboy Local Branch NAACP Presents: "A Gospel Concert," on Saturday, May 20, 2017 at 12:00 Noon at the Raritan Bay Area YMCA, 357 New Brunswick Ave, Perth Amboy. Admission: \$20 (Under the Age of 12 Free). For Additional Information, Contact Janice Clark: 732-277-1051

### 20<sup>th</sup> and Finale Drawing of Franklin D. English Scholarship

Press Release

SOUTHAMBOY - A \$1000.00 Scholarship will be awarded by lottery to a South Amboy resident graduating in June 2017. Interested High School seniors can register for the drawing by mailing a copy of their acceptance from an institute of higher learning, College, or Technical Institute to the address below.

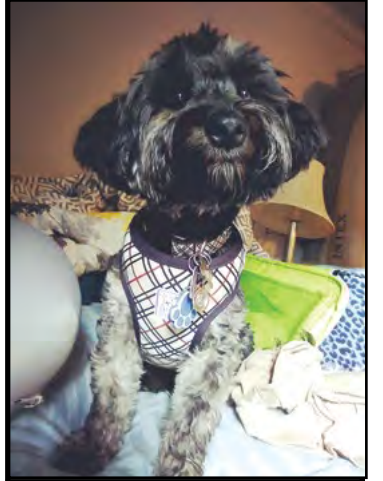
Please submit your acceptance letter by June 13, 2017.

The drawing will be held on June 15, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. at The Dowdell Library. All applicants are welcome to witness the drawing. Past members of the South Amboy Lions Club are also Invited to attend the drawing.

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## Pet of the Week



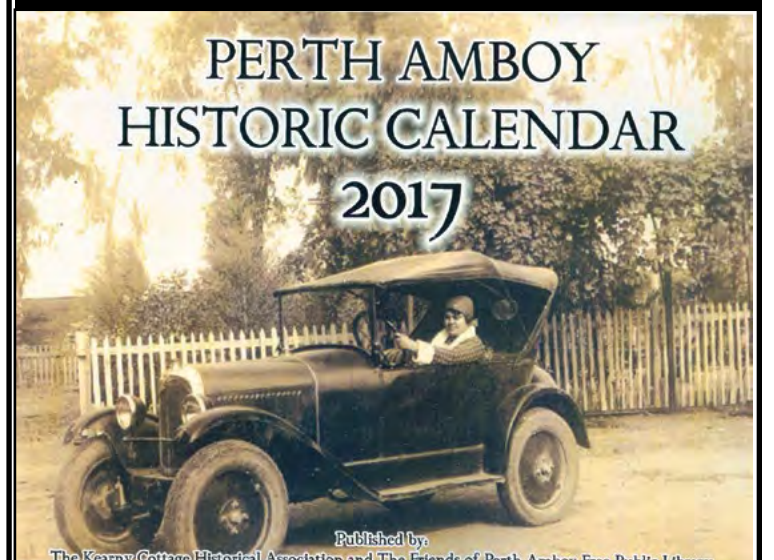
Hi this is my Linus-boy! He is 10 months old. He is so special because whenever someone crying or whimpering emotionally he licks at your chin or cheeks and lay his head right on your shoulder with a lot of pressure. He loves parks. He runs so fast around in circles that it is so hard to catch up to him. Not even my sister's German Shepard named OSA can keep up haha! Linus-boy is truly a special boy. He gives warmth and cheers you up in seconds!

Love, his mommy and daddy  
Miranda & Migel

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### 2017 Historic Perth Amboy Calendars



2017 Historic Perth Amboy Calendars are now 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, Perth Amboy City Hall 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.*

**Petition to St. Joseph**

Dear St. Joseph, head of the most perfect household, foster father of Jesus and guardian of His mother Mary, I confidently place myself and all my concerns under your care and protection. I ask that, through your powerful intercession with God, you obtain for me all the help and graces that I need for my spiritual and temporal welfare and in particular, the special favor I now ask there mention or think of your home sale or any other petition, especially family needs. Good St. Joseph, I know with confidence, that your prayers on my behalf will be heard by God and that He will grant my request, if it be for His glory and my greater good. Thank you St. Joseph, for having responded to my call. Amen  
**E.C.**

**Friends of the Library Meeting**

PERTH AMBOY - The Friends of Perth Amboy Free Public Library Meeting will be Tuesday, May 23 at 6:00 p.m. at the Public Library, 196 Jefferson St., Perth Amboy. Everyone is welcome to attend. For more info call 732-261-2610.



**A Revolutionary Tea**

PERTH AMBOY – The Proprietary House, The Royal Governor's Mansion invites you to join us for "A Revolutionary Tea". Sunday, 21st May 2017 ~ at 1:00 p.m.

Purchase your tickets in advance for a journey back to the 18th century. Learn why tea was of such importance to the era's fashion-conscious families that their portraits included their tea sets. Historian Stacy F. Roth dons period attire to explore tea's history in colonial America, the beverage's cultural importance, tea's social rituals and etiquette. The program includes a living history display, with demonstrations, prose, poetry & music. Following Ms. Roth's presentation, afternoon tea, finger sandwiches & cakes will be served.

SPACE IS LIMITED!!! Tickets Now Available On A First-Come, First-Served Basis. Admission: \$30 per Person; \$25 for Members. To Purchase Tickets Contact – Proprietary House Association. Phone: (732) 826-5527; E-mail: info@theproprietaryhouse.org; Address: 149 Kearny Avenue, Perth Amboy, NJ, 08861.

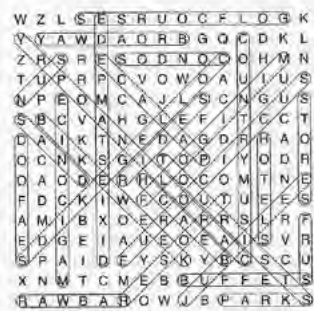
\*\*\*All funds raised will benefit ongoing restoration and operation of Proprietary House's Museum. \*\*\*

**Senior Scene Happenings**

- Perth Amboy**  
 TUES. May 16 Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.  
 • Good Shepherd Tuesday Seniors (HS) 12:30 p.m. Msgr. Gambino Hall, Florida Grove Rd.  
 WED. May 17 St. Stephen's Seniors, 1 p.m., Cafeteria, State St.  
 • Good Shepherd Wednesday Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Msgr. Gambino Hall, Florida Grove Rd.  
 • Holy Trinity Seniors, 1 p.m., Church Hall, Lawrie & Johnstone St.  
 THURS. May 18 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.  
 MON. May 22 St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.  
 TUES. May 23 Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.  
 WED. May 24 St. Stephen's Seniors, 1 p.m., Cafeteria, State St.  
 THURS. May 25 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
- South Amboy**  
 MON. May 22 Sacred Heart Seniors, 12 Noon Memorial Hall, Wash Ave.  
 MON. Jun. 5 St. Mary's Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.  
 WED. Jun. 7 South Amboy Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.

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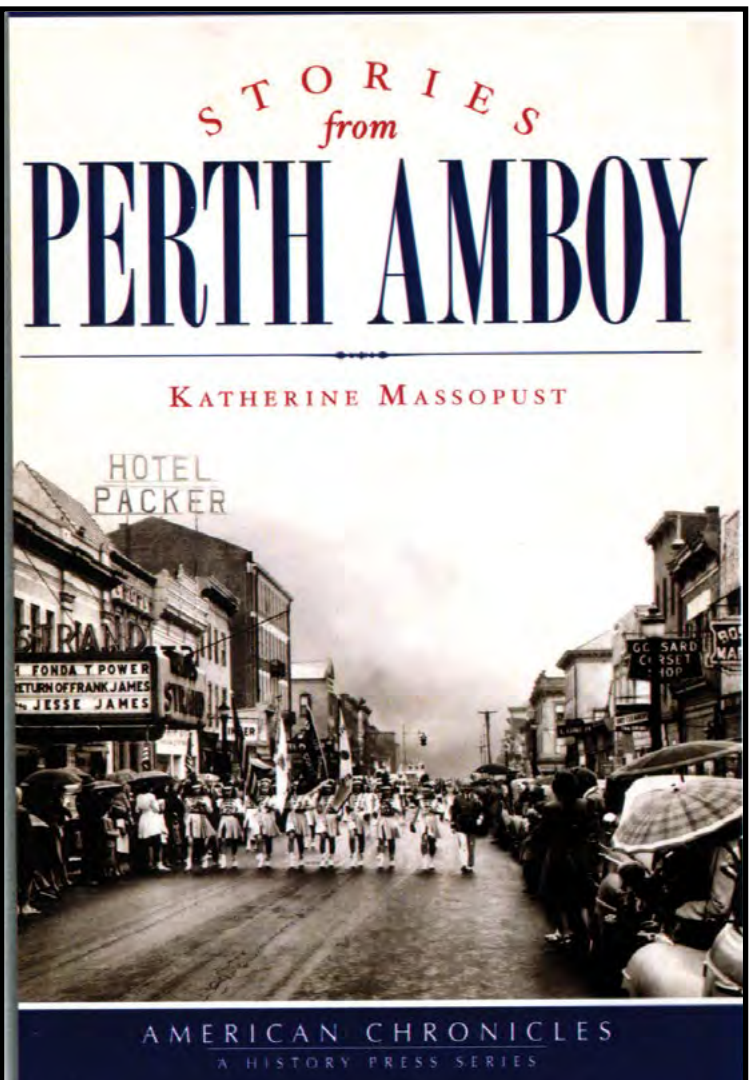
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**LOOKING BACK**



PERTH AMBOY - The Cableworks Fire July 9, 1980 also known as the Duane Marine Fire. The fire lasted for 9 days. *\*Photo Courtesy of Gray Introne This photo was restored under a grant from the Middlesex County Cultural and Heritage Association to the Kearny Cottage Historical Association.*



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