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Pallone Applauds New Jersey 'Opt-In' To FirstNet

Press Release 7/26/17

WASHINGTON, DC- Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr. (NJ-06) responded to the announcement that New Jersey will be the sixth state to 'opt-in' to FirstNet, the nationwide broadband network for first responders that will be built by AT&T:

"I remember hearing from public safety officials during Superstorm Sandy how dan-

gerous it could be when their radios were not interoperable. That's why I want to congratulate everyone in the private and public sectors who came together to support our first responders. But we will all be better off when FirstNet is truly nationwide, so I encourage other states to follow New Jersey's lead and quickly opt in to the network."

Senate & Assembly Held Joint Hearing to Gauge Impact of Christie's Plan to Reorganize Delivery of Mental Health & Addiction Services

Press Release 7/25/17

(TRENTON) – Senator Joseph Vitale and Assemblywoman Valerie Vainieri Huttel will hold a joint hearing today of their respective committees to gauge the impact of Gov. Christie's proposed plan to shift mental health and addiction services functions, along with roughly 200 employees and nearly \$1 billion, from the Department of Human Services to the Department of Health.

In doing so, the Senate Health, Human Services and Senior

Citizens Committee and the Assembly Human Services Committee will hear testimony from invited guests on the Governor's Reorganization Plan No. 001-2017 - "A Plan for the Transfer of Mental Health and Addiction Functions from the Department of Human Services to the Department of Health."

The hearing took place on Tuesday, July 25, 2017, at 11 a.m. in committee room 4 on the first floor of the Statehouse Annex in Trenton.

UPDATE: FEMA not to Withdraw Sandy Claims after Pallone Letter

Press Release 7/28/17

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, on conference call with Congressional offices, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) reversed course and announced that homeowners participating in the Sandy Claims Review process would not be removed from claims review due to a lack of contact with FEMA. The agency said that files for these homeowners will be held with no further action taken if contact is not made by September 15.

Yesterday, Congressman Frank Pallone Jr. (NJ-06) led a bipartisan letter to Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Administrator William B. Long, objecting to FEMA's previous plan to remove claims that had not made contact with FEMA. The Congressman will be working to inform New Jersey residents that they should get in touch with FEMA if they have unresolved claims. Constituents can also get in touch with Con-

gressman Pallone's offices if they need assistance.

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Congressman Pallone has been a leader in demanding transparency and reforms for those who have suffered from inefficiencies and fraud in the National Flood Insurance Program. Recently the Congressman introduced comprehensive flood insurance reform legislation in the House of Representatives. Last May, Pallone led a bipartisan letter from members of the New Jersey Congressional delegation to former Administrator Fugate of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) requesting that it immediately



Congressman
Frank Pallone

resolve unfinished claims. House members signing onto yesterday's letter include Bonnie Watson Coleman (NJ-12), Rodney Frelinghuysen (NJ-11), Peter King (NY-2), Frank A. LoBiondo (NJ-02), Tom MacArthur (NJ-03), Carolyn B. Maloney (NY-12), Gregory Meeks (NY-05), Jerold Nadler (NY-10), Bill Pascrell (NJ-09), Donald M. Payne, Jr. (NJ-10), Kathleen M. Rice (NY-04), Albio Sires (NJ-08), Thomas R. Suozzi (NY-03) and Nydia M. Velazquez (NY-07).

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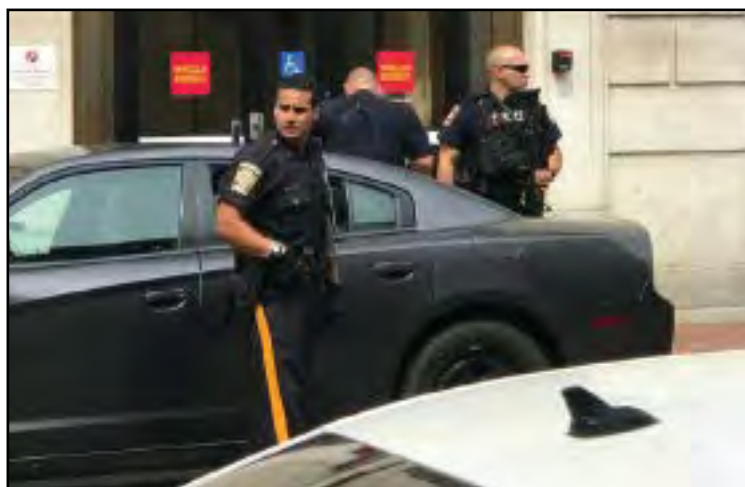
Robbery Suspects Apprehended on 7/28/17 in the area of Smith Street & Maple Street

Press Release 7/28/17

PERTH AMBOY - At 1411 hours a call was placed to 911 from someone in the area of Smith Street and Maple Street, in a commercial building (bank was not robbed), who said that they were robbed at gunpoint by 3 suspects.

Two of the three suspects were immediately placed into custody, and the third suspect was caught after a brief foot chase. They were apprehended and positively identified by the victim.

Subsequently, officers searched the area and were able to retrieve part of the belongings, including cash and other items. Additionally, the

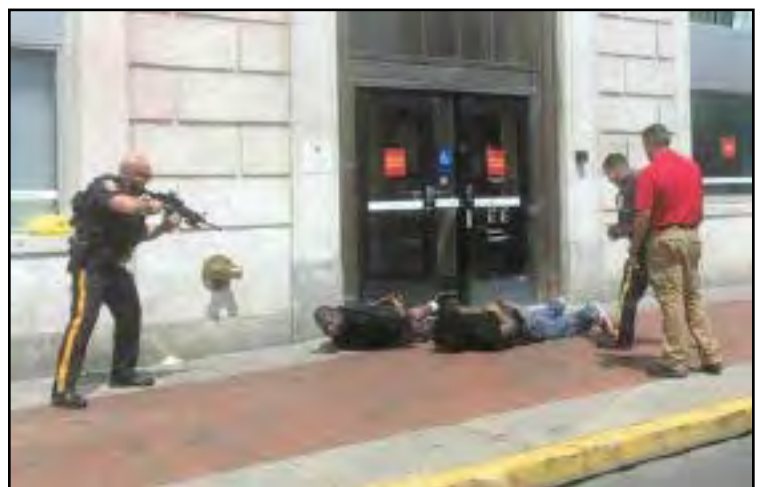


The PAPD on the scene *Photo By Jeremy Baratta

Police Department's K-9 was utilized and a loaded weapon was recovered from the area. No one was injured during this

incident. Suspects and victim are NOT city residents.

"I want to commend the members of the Perth Amboy



The PAPD apprehend two of the suspects. *Photo Submitted

Police Department for their exceptional work and prompt response to the incident. There is nothing more important than

the wellbeing of our community and our first responders were successful in securing our safety," said Mayor Wilda Diaz.

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the Library
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PERTH AMBOY - The Friends of Perth Amboy Free Public Library Meeting will be Tuesday, Aug. 22 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.

**Volunteer
Firefighters
Needed**

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

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Business
Breakfast**

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Connections Program Seeks Volunteers

MIDDLESEX COUNTY - The Connections Program of Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen, a voluntary child to adult match program is seeking adult volunteers to provide a positive friend relationship to children and youth that has suffered a loss or has special needs. These children reside in Middlesex County and Franklin Township and are in desperate need of a positive role model. Adult Volunteers are being sought to make a difference in the lives of children and youth through one-to-one activities. Any individual 18 years old or older, of any ethnic, religious or economic background, who is interested in making a positive impact on a child's life is eligible to become an adult volunteer mentor. All adult volunteers will be screened, receive training, staff support and other services as needed. If you are interested in learning more about the Connections Mentoring Program, please contact Jeanette Cullen at (732) 738-1323.

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LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

EDITORIAL

I Should Thank You!

Rosemary Pennyfeather of Perth Amboy Catholic School retired this year. She has taught art for 18 years. If we had to give out an award for a Teacher who always sent the Guardian photos and press releases whenever her students achieved local, state or national recognition, she would be the one to receive it.

In previous editorials, we have asked teachers, administrators, and parents to submit photos of student's achievements.

Believe it or not, a lot of those requests are submitted by people in areas that we don't even cover. There are some newspapers who have a policy that if any schools would like their sports teams or individuals in their publications, they would have to forward the photos with captions to them.

Rosemary Pennyfeather has done this from day one. Maybe once or twice the Guardian personally went to photograph a presentation, but 95% of the time, Mrs. Pennyfeather supplied everything to us.

I recently was talking to Mrs. Pennyfeather and she thanked me and was so grateful that I put all of her press releases and photos of her students in the paper. I just simply told her, "No, I want to thank you."

She said that she's going to miss all the students that were in her class and how much she loved them.

I continued to tell her that because of her guidance and love for what she did brought out the talents that she knew that her students possessed. It's the lessons that you taught them that encouraged them to do their best.

She told me that she is looking forward to spending more time with her grandson who lives outside of the United States. She said she always gets in trouble with him, "But it's a good kind of trouble. The



Rose Pennyfeather (C) receives a Shield Award in 2016
*File Photo by Paul W. Wang

only kind of trouble that good grandparents can get away with."

She also told me about her love of going to flea markets and yard sales. She was dismayed to see items such as varsity letters that parents or grandparents had earned being sold by their younger relatives.

Even though she graduated from St. Mary's High School, she always hung around with the students from Perth Amboy High School. She married Wayne Pennyfeather who was on the 1968 Championship Perth Amboy Basketball Team.

Although Perth Amboy has changed since her High School Days, there is something so endearing about the town that will always be in her blood and she'll never leave it.

So Rosemary, enjoy your retirement and still be that good bad grandparent. We'll see you around town. I'm pretty sure the students you had over the years will remember and love you fondly as much as you have them.

We ask that others take a page from Mrs. Pennyfeather and submit photos/stories or any important achievements of individual(s) or groups that you feel should be recognized. Thank you. *C.M.*

THE COMMUNITY VOICE

State Bureaucracy Affects Patient Care; Hinders Practice of Nursing in New Jersey

Patients and nurses in New Jersey could be adversely affected by the resignation of Dorothy Carolina, PhD, RN from the position of executive director of the New Jersey Board of Nursing (NJBON).

Dr. Carolina resigned just 13 months after being named to the position. Why is this disturbing? People move on all the time.

The NJBON is the watchdog protecting patients by overseeing all the nurses of New Jersey. It issues all nursing licenses, deals with complaints and has disciplinary power, which is essential to protect patients and ensuring the best care. It is overseen by state's Division of Consumer Affairs.

NJBON oversees the practice of the state's 143,500 registered nurses, advanced practice nurses (APN) and licensed practical nurses; it oversees 80,000 certified home health aides. It also supervises all educational programs for the above professionals and paraprofessionals. In addition, each month the NJBON acts on approximately 250 disciplinary cases-situations that are investigated, analyzed by board staff and reviewed by the volunteer board members prior to action. That's an incredible workload.

I believe Dr. Carolina resigned her position for several reasons including the following:

- Tensions with her non-nursing superiors in the State Division of Consumer Affairs with regards to setting NJBON work priorities, work flow and routine operational matters.
- Overtime denial from outside the NJBON.
- Frozen vacant NJBON staff positions, hampering the work output; the Position of Deputy Executive Director has remained unfilled for over 12 months.
- Limited or non-existent budgetary control by the NJBON Executive Director
- The volunteer Board of 13 appointees by the Governor's Office has only 7 positions filled and assuring a quorum at monthly meetings has been an ongoing concern, hampering important committee functions.

As not only a faculty member in a leading nursing program at a university, but as an active APN with my own practice, I continually hear of delays and misinformation that is provided by an outsourced call center NJBON has contracted because they don't have the staff to answer all the calls they receive.

To give you an idea of the workload of the NJBON, as of July 21, 2017, there are currently 4,116 nursing candidates backlogged awaiting board action on licensure or certification; 2,838 new graduates or graduate nurses from foreign countries and 1,278 licensees from other states seeking employment. Many of these applicants have been waiting for months, some with job offers pending a New Jersey nursing license.

The longer it takes these new nurses and nurses looking to practice in New Jersey to take the licensure exam, the higher the rate of failure due to lack of practice in the time span from graduation or last practice.

This backlog—because of lack of resources and cooperation—becomes an issue of access to care for patients and restriction of trade for nurses. Nursing is a profession vital in the delivery of health care. Nurses serve in hospitals, clinics, schools, universities, research facilities subacute and long-term care facilities and in agencies serving individuals with disabilities as well as in public health centers. Nurses care for individuals from prenatal through death. Nurses are caring for patients 24/7-365 days a year.

As the non-union professional association representing the nurses of New Jersey to protect the practice of nursing and patients, the New Jersey State Nurses Association (NJSNA) finds this level of bureaucratic interference appalling. It directly impacts the health care delivery to the state's nearly 9 million citizens.

Last year revenues from the NJBON were more than \$13 million from license fees and other fees. That is certainly enough to do the work of the NJBON. However, all this revenue



Benjamin Evans, DD, DNP, RN, APN, President, New Jersey State Nurses Association

has been transferred to the state's general fund, leaving the NJBON underfunded and unable to properly function.

This is now at crisis level.

When bureaucrats can manipulate the staff operations and funnel the money away from the NJBON thereby driving an ethical Executive Director to resign, there is something wrong. This isn't about "special interest" pleading. It is the responsibility of the NJBON to protect the people of New Jersey. This is about ensuring a vital nursing workforce to safely serve the citizens of New Jersey.

By: Benjamin Evans, DD, DNP, RN, APN, president, NJ State Nurses Association

About NJSNA: NJSNA, which was established in 1901, is a constituent member of the American Nurses Association. The New Jersey State Nurses Association (NJSNA) represents the interests of 125,000 registered nurses and advanced practice nurses as an advocate for the nursing profession. NJSNA's lobbying arm continues to protect the nursing profession through legislative victories. Its nonprofit foundation, Institute for Nursing, helps nurses further their careers by providing continuing education, scholarships and research grants in addition to invaluable networking opportunities. For more information, nurses can visit www.njsna.org or contact NJSNA at njsna@njsna.org or (609) 883-5335.

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PERTH AMBOY - The Historic Surveyor General's Office, which is adjacent to Perth Amboy City Hall, is now open for tours. At one time, this structure was the meeting place of the East Jersey Board of Proprietors & housed their records. Presently the Surveyor General's Office is displaying artifacts from the John Watson (1685-1768) archaeological site along with other items from Perth Amboy's rich history. Perth Amboy history DVDs are also available.

Free tours are available Wednesdays, Thursdays, & Fridays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Clubs, classrooms & groups are welcome. Come & view this newly restored building!

Kearny
Cottage Open

PERTH AMBOY - Come visit the historic home of Commodore Lawrence Kearny. The Cottage is located at 63 Catalpa Ave, Perth Amboy, and is open on Mondays and Thursdays from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. and the last Sunday of the month from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. by appointment. The Kearny Cottage needs your help. Anyone interested in joining the Kearny Cottage Historical Society please contact 732-293-1090. We are on the web! www.KearnyCottage.org

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. Follow us on our website, www.theproprietaryhouse.org and or Facebook.

Community Calendar

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City Hall, High St.
TUES. Aug. 8 BID, 4 p.m.
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WED. Aug. 9 City Council, Regular, 7 p.m.
City Hall, High St.

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Dominican Festival to Be Held August 11-13, 2017

Press Release 7/31/17
PERTH AMBOY – The United Dominicans of Perth Amboy, in association with Id Entertainment, invites you the weekend of August 11,12 and 13, 2017 to the DOMINICAN FESTIVAL OF PERTH AMBOY. The Dominican community is celebrating the 154th anniversary of the Dominican Republic’s restoration of independence at the Wilentz Elementary School field (Madison Ave. & Sadowsky Pkwy) Perth Amboy, NJ “La Playita” Time: Friday 5:00pm – 11:00pm, Saturday 1:00pm – 10:00pm and Sunday 1:00pm – 9:00pm, come and enjoy delicious Latin American Food, music, rides, arts and crafts.

This year the Dominican Festival is celebrating its 25th Anniversary with over 20 invited performers. Our main attraction includes Hector Acosta “El Torito”, Milly Quezada, Kinito Méndez, and Pochy y Familia. The Dominican Festival is a very successful event, hosted by The United Dominicans of

Perth Amboy, a non-profit organization.
For any questions feel free to call our Executive Producer, Irving Lozada, at (732) 309-3311

Milady Tejeda
United Dominicans of Perth Amboy (UDOPA)
Secretary

Out of This World Programs @ Dowdell Library

Press Release 7/19/17
SOUTH AMBOY - Stop by the Dowdell Library for out of this world programs including Celebrity Storytime, and fun Summer Activities for ages 0-100.
Stop in for a story and snack with PTO President Nikki Navarria for Celebrity Storytime sponsored by Chipotle on Thursday, July 27 from 3:30-5 pm.
Join the Summer Clubs for Kids, Teens & Adults, and learn how you can win weekly prizes. At the end of the summer, club members will have a chance to win a grand prize, which will be awarded at the End of Summer Party in August.
To learn about upcoming library programs, sign up for the monthly eNewsletter at <http://dowdell.org/newslettersignup.html>
The Dowdell Library’s Summer hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday from 10 am to 8 pm, Wednesday and Friday from 10 am to 5 pm. For more information, please visit www.dowdell.org, or contact the Library at 732-721-6060 or comments@dowdell.org.

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Live at the Ferry Slip Original Music Series Continues on Saturday August 5th



Press Release

PERTH AMBOY - Live at the Ferry Slip Music Series, a free concert series held at the Perth Amboy Ferry Slip, continues on Saturday August 5th from 7-9pm, featuring 2 bands, San Simón and GMJ Groove.

San Simón is a seven piece combo that plays original soul songs with an Afro-Caribbean pulse, borrowing from American and Latin Caribbean music with both old and new influences. They will play songs from their debut EP "Talk to Me" featuring psychedelic merengues, electric raras, righteous neosoul and funky afrobeats.

GMJ Groove is a trio consisting of saxophone, bass, guitar, electric violin and percussion. GMJ Groove plays an eclectic mix of Funk, Jazz, Reggae and R&B with occasional forays into Blues, Middle Eastern and Latin musical styles.

The show is free and all ages. There is room for dancing and some limited seating available. Enjoy great live music, beautiful views of Raritan Bay and the full moon. Also check out the Ferry Slip Museum and the food trucks, ice cream parlor & bars and restaurants along the marina and waterfront.

Live at the Ferry Slip Original Music Series is hosted by Perth Amboy Artworks in partnership with the Historic City of Perth Amboy Ferry Slip Museum and The City of Perth Amboy Honorable Mayor Wilda Diaz. The program is made possible with funding support from the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders, Office of Culture and Heritage and the New Jersey State Council on the Arts.

Food Stamps Assistance

PERTH AMBOY - Every Wednesday there will be a Food Stamps Assistance Program 10 a.m.- 5 p.m.: JRF's Family Success Center families to come in and meet with a representative from the Community Food Bank of NJ to assist with food stamps application and eligibility guidelines. For additional information please call 732-638-5063 or visit our office located at: 149 Kearny Ave. Perth Amboy (Rear of Proprietary House).

Public Notice

SAYREVILLE - The Sayreville Police Department is scheduled for an on-site assessment as part of its program to achieve accreditation by verifying that it meets recognized professional best practices.

Administered by the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police, the accreditation program requires agencies to comply with best practice standards in five basic areas: the administrative function, the personnel function, the operations function, the investigative function, and the arrestee/detainee function.

Agency employees and the public are invited to offer comments by calling 732-525-5462 on Monday August 7, 2017 between the hours of 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Comments will be taken by the Assessment Team. Email comments can be sent to the police department at derla@sayreville.com

Telephone comments are limited to 5 minutes and must address the agency's ability to comply with the NJSACOP standards. A copy of the standards is available for inspection at the Sayreville Police Department 1000 Main Street Sayreville N.J. 08872. Please contact Lieutenant David Erla at (732) 525-5402 for more information.

Anyone wishing to submit written comments about the Sayreville Police Department's ability to comply with the standards for accreditation may send them by email to Harry J Delgado, Ed.S, Accreditation Program Manager, hdelgado@njsacop.org, by phone 856-334-9847, or write to the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police, Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission at 751 Route 73 North, Suite 12, Marlton, N.J. 08053.

Spotlight on Norman Rockwell

WOODBIDGE - "Spotlight on Norman Rockwell" Art & History Exhibit - Dates: August 12-September 1, 2017 Artist Reception: Tuesday, August 15, 2017 - 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. This exhibit focuses on the man behind some of the most iconic pieces of 20th century Americana, featuring pieces on loan from the collection of Colonia resident Jack Cassidy. Items on display will include lithographs signed by the artist as well as collectibles, artifacts and examples of Rockwell's famous covers for the Saturday Evening Post. Barron Arts Center, 582 Rahway Ave., Woodbridge. Contact 732-634-0413 for more information. FREE.

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Angioscreen Event

PERTH AMBOY - Hackensack Meridian Health Raritan Bay Medical Center is holding an Angioscreen event Tuesday, August 1, 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the Raritan Bay Area YMCA, 357 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy, NJ. Learn your risk of heart attack and stroke. Screenings include carotid artery ultrasound, heart rhythm, blood pressure and screening for abdominal aortic aneurysm and peripheral artery disease. Receive a color report of your findings, education materials and consultation with a registered nurse. The cost is \$49.95. Registration required, call 1-800-560-9990.

Vote! 3D Art Competition

Press Release 7/19/17
SOUTH AMBOY - Technology has pushed art in different directions, allowing artists to engage in multi-dimensional ways. View the Dowdell Library's innovative 3D art exhibition this summer!

The Dowdell Library's 3D art exhibition /competition may be viewed at the Broadway Gallery (141 N Broadway, South Amboy, NJ 08879) starting Wednesday, July 19th and will run through Wednesday, August 30th. The 3D art was designed by South Amboy residents using the library's 3D pen or 3D printer. Themed categories include: the waterfront, pets and floral themes and the competitive age categories include children ages 8-10, young adults 11-17 and adults 18+.

The Broadway Gallery hours are Wednesdays and Fridays 6-8 pm and Saturdays 11 am -1 pm. The library is part of the arts district and is partnering with South Amboy ARTS www.southamboyarts.com.

The community is encouraged to support these efforts and vote for your favorite creation! There will be prizes awarded, so voting is limited to one vote per age category.

If you happen to have a problem accessing the exhibition during gallery hours, contact the library at comments@dowdell.org or 732.721.6060.

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

The Dowdell Library's summer hours are Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 10 am to 8 pm, Wednesday and Friday from 10 am to 5 pm. For more information, please visit www.dowdell.org, or contact the Library at 732-721-6060 or comments@dowdell.org

Assemblyman Coughlin, Middlesex Water Company, Raritan Bay Medical Center Foundation and Woodbridge Metro Chamber of Commerce Thank Community for Support of 8th Annual "Bowl for Hunger"

Press Release
WOODBIDGE - The Bowl for Hunger Committee released the following statement on Friday:

Assemblyman Craig J. Coughlin in partnership with the Middlesex Water Company, Raritan Bay Medical Center Foundation and Woodbridge Metro Chamber of Commerce held the 8th Annual "Bowl for Hunger" last night, Thursday, July 27, 2017, at Majestic Lanes of Hopelawn. Since the event's inception in 2010, more than \$155,000 has been raised to feed the hungry. This year's event once again featured a double session, 5:30 to 7:30 PM and 8:00 to 10:00 PM, where approximately 550 bowlers took part on 80 bowling lanes. Assemblyman Coughlin, Michael D'Agnes, President and CEO of Raritan Bay Medical Center, Dennis Doll, President and CEO of the Middlesex Water Company and Karen Barnes, President of the Woodbridge Metro Chamber of Commerce thanked event participants and sponsors for supporting the fun event and the area's thirty two (32) food banks who help nourish the underserved. While all pledges and donations are still forthcoming, the 8th Bowl for Hunger has raised approximately \$31,000.00. Interested community members or businesses still wishing to make a donation to the "Bowl for Hunger" should contact the Woodbridge Metro Chamber of Commerce at 732-636-4040. The grand total will be released in the coming weeks.

In total, 74 corporate, community and individual sponsors donated at least \$100.00 to support the cause. Of the 74 sponsors, 29 individuals and organizations donated at the \$500 level—Allegiance, Amerigroup, Bank of Woodbridge, BAYSHORE Recycling, Carpenter Contractor Trust, CME Associates, Elizabethtown Gas, Foundation Title, GEICO, GERDAU, Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey, James P. Nolan & Associates, JFK Medical Center, JJ Elek Realty Co., Metro Park A.G. Church, New Jersey Credit

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Assemblyman Coughlin, Presidents Barnes, D'Agnes and Doll thanked the combined 74 corporate and individual sponsors, including 45 sponsors who donated \$100 or more:

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Tom's Tax Tips

Reap the Benefits of Hiring Your Child for The Summer

Courtesy of Tom Ploskanka C.P.A.

Hiring your children to work in your business can be a win-win situation for everyone. Your kids will earn money, gain real-life experience in the workplace, and learn what you do every day. And, you will reap a few tax benefits in the process. Before you decide if hiring your child is the right thing for your business, learn if it can work for you.

Generally, if your child is doing a legitimate job and the pay is reasonable for the work, his or her salary can be a tax-deductible business expense. Your child's income can be tax-free to them up to the standard deduction amount for a single taxpayer (\$6,350 in 2017). Wages earned in excess of this amount are typically taxed at your child's rate, which is likely lower than your rate. The following guidelines will help you determine if the arrangement will work in your situation:

- Make sure your child works a real job that he or she can reasonably handle, no matter how basic or simple. Consider tasks like office filing, packing orders, or customer service.
- Treat your child like any other employee. Expect regular hours and appropriate behavior. If you are lenient with your child, you risk upsetting regular employees.
- To avoid questions from the IRS, make sure the pay is reasonable for the duties performed. It's not a bad idea to prepare a written job description for your files. Include a W-2 at year-end.
- Record hours worked just as you would for any employee. Pay your child using the normal payroll system and procedures your other employees use.

If you have questions, give us a call. Together we can determine if hiring your child is the right course of action for your business and your family.

Pot Luck Supper

SOUTH AMBOY - Free Inspirational Movie & Spanish American Pot Luck Supper August 6 at the South Amboy Knights of Columbus Council 426 holds a potluck Spanish American Dinner and Movie Night Sunday August 6 at 308 Fourth St. South Amboy. Bring your dish hot, cold or dessert to share. The free movie "For Greater Glory" stars Andy Garcia, Eva Longoria, and Peter O'Toole. It celebrates Christ the King, the Catholic faith, and Mexican Catholic Revolution. Movie starts at 6 p.m. Due to some violence in the movie, it is not recommended for young children.

Total Joint Replacement Education Session

PERTH AMBOY - The Human Motion Institute at Hackensack Meridian Health Raritan Bay Medical Center, is sponsoring a free "We Keep You Moving" Total Joint Replacement Education session Friday, August 4, 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., at the medical center's Perth Amboy location, 530 New Brunswick Ave. The session is intended for patients who have been scheduled for joint replacement surgery or for those who would like to learn more about joint replacement. Registration required, call Nurse Navigator Clare Schuld, R.N., at 732-535-4746

Volunteer Drivers Needed For Meals on Wheels Program

Press Release

HIGHLAND PARK – Jewish Family Services of Middlesex County (JFS) is in need of volunteer drivers to deliver meals to homebound senior adults in the Highland Park area for the Kosher Meals on Wheels Program. The program delivers meals Monday – Friday mornings. A commitment of at least 2 days per month for regular volunteers is required. Also seeking substitute drivers who can fill in as needed throughout Middlesex County. Must have valid driver's license. Please contact the JFS Volunteer Coordinator for more detailed information at 732-777-1940 or visit www.jfsmiddlesex.org under the Volunteer Tab

Sidewalk Sale

PERTH AMBOY - Concord Missionary Baptist Church is having a Sidewalk Sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, August 12, 2017 at 795 State St., Perth Amboy. Kitchen Open.

Frog Hollow 5K Run & Health Walk

Press Release 6/3/16

SOUTH AMBOY - Frog Hollow Swim and Tennis Club's 40th annual 5K Run and Health Walk will be held Sunday, September 10th. 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 + \$3.25 Sign-up Fee. Registration Ends September 8, 2017 at 11:59 p.m. For more information or to download a registration form, go to www.froghollowswim.com.

Nursing Your Newborn Class

PERTH AMBOY - Hackensack Meridian Health Raritan Bay Medical Center, is providing a free Nursing your Newborn Class Wednesday, August 2, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at Raritan Bay Area YMCA, 357 New Brunswick Avenue, Perth Amboy, NJ. A registered nurse with special training in lactation techniques will facilitate the class. Registration required, call 1-800-DOCTORS (1.800.362.8677) and reference zip code 08861.

FREE Gardening Education Event

PERTH AMBOY - Hackensack Meridian Health Raritan Bay Medical Center's Integrative Health Services team is providing a free gardening education event in The Learning Garden, Thursday, August 3, 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m., at Raritan Bay – Perth Amboy, 530 New Brunswick Ave. Learn the basics of gardening, including container gardening, and the importance of healthy produce and proper nutrition through hands-on and interactive education. Children, adults, families or community groups welcome. Come with your garden questions and/or photos or samples of plants for discussion. Garden-side food preparation demo events, using garden produce, will also be held. Events are held weather permitting and registration is required. For more information and to register, call 732-324-5257 or email integrativehealth@hackensack-meridian.org

Moonlight Music Series

PERTH AMBOY - Perth Amboy Artworks is partnering with the Historic City of Perth Amboy's Ferry Slip Museum to present a Spring/Summer 2017 live music series at the Ferry Slip. Enjoy great live music, the moonrise over Raritan Bay and check out the Ferry Slip Museum. The free live music events are from 7 p.m. – 9 p.m. at 200 Front St, Perth Amboy.

Saturday Aug. 5th - San Simón and GMJ Groove

Cool Down with These Hot Events @ Dowdell Library

Press Release 7/7/17

SOUTH AMBOY - Cool down with these hot events in August at the Dowdell Library including Celebrity Storytimes, James Zamouzakakis Live Music Studio, Solar Eclipse Viewing Party and the Summer Prize Party.

Join us for Ronald McDonald and Andy the Armadillo for stories and snacks! Andy the Armadillo will be at the library on Tuesday, August 8 from 1-2:30 pm and Ronald McDonald on Tuesday, August 22 from 3:30-5 pm.

Hear live music on Wednesday, August 9 from 3-4:30 pm performed by guitarist James Zamouazakis, as he plays his electric guitar and demonstrates how he creates riffs and melodies.

Gaze upon the skies on Monday, August 21 from 2:30-4:30 pm for our Solar Eclipse Party! We'll have refreshments, activities, and special Solar Eclipse viewing glasses that will let you safely view the magical show in the sky! Viewing for our area is predicted to occur around 2:45 pm. Join us for this out of this world event!

There's still time to join the Summer Clubs for Kids, Teens & Adults to win weekly prizes. At the end of the summer, adult club members will have a chance to win a grand prize, a Kindle Fire, and kids and teen's grand prize is a gift card! Both prizes will be awarded at the End of Summer Party.

So, party with Dowdell at the End of Summer Prize Party on Thursday, August 24 from 2:30-4:30 pm. There'll be door prizes, refreshments and summer fun for ages 0-100. Kids could also win a backpack for school!

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

Chili Church

PERTH AMBOY - Thursday, August 3, 6:30 p.m. St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 183 Rector Street, Perth Amboy. More information call 732-826-1594. Free event all are welcome.

HIV Support

PERTH AMBOY — Raritan Bay Medical Center is sponsoring an HIV support group meeting on Monday's at 6 p.m. Anyone diagnosed with or caring for someone infected with HIV is welcome to attend. Meetings are held at the hospital's Perth Amboy Division, New Brunswick Avenue.

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

PAHS Class of 1944 73rd Reunion

PERTH AMBOY - The Perth Amboy High School, Class of 1944, will hold its 73rd reunion at noon on Sunday, August 6, 2017 at the Raritan Yacht Club, 160 Water Street, Perth Amboy, NJ. Classmates and a spouse or a guest are invited. Please contact William Sewitch as soon as possible at 732-826-0723 or 732-310-9999 for luncheon choices and reservations.

PAHS Class of 1967 Reunion

PERTH AMBOY - The Perth Amboy High School Class of 1967 will hold its 50th Reunion on Saturday, October 21, 2017, at the APA Hotel on Wood Avenue in Iselin, NJ. The night before we are hoping to have a tour of our beloved "Halls of Ivy" with Mr. Anton Massopust. After the tour, our classmate, Les Kennett is hosting a private "Classmate Party" for the Magnificent Class of 1967. Please contact Dena Moore at denabanda@aol.com or reejost@aol.com or 732-266-8550 for more information.

PAHS Class of 1987 Reunion

PERTH AMBOY - The Perth Amboy High School Class of 1987 Reunion is coming soon!! Have you bought your ticket for the class of 87 reunion yet? Don't miss your opportunity to connect with friends that you haven't seen in years! The reunion will be held on Saturday August 12th at Amici's in Linden. Tickets can be purchased in advance by sending 85 per person in care of Perth Amboy Class of 1987 Reunion committee PO Box 830 Perth Amboy, NJ. 08861. Checks should be made payable to "Class of 1987 Reunion."

Movie Review: Dunkirk - Two Views

By: Anton Massopust III
“You can almost see it from here – home!”

Director Christopher Nolan gives us a new World War II masterpiece by weaving the stories of the story of Dunkirk into a magnificent tapestry covering the points of view from the land, sea, and air.

For those of you who are not familiar with this point in history, Dunkirk was the evacuation of the British and French armies as the Nazis began to close in. Time is not on their side. At the end, Axis Forces pushed the Allies to the Sea.

We start with a young British soldier who was just trying to find his way to a ship so that he can escape back to England. He finds another young man

and they grab a stretcher and put a wounded man on it to get onto a medical ship. The ship is bombed and it sinks. He swims back to Dunkirk Beach and attempts to leave again.

In “Dunkirk,” we see the ships and how they're harassed by German U-boats and German bombers and how the pilots risk life and limb to save the evacuating troops.

In this movie, we get different points of view (air, land, and sea). A call went out to British civilians who owned boats to risk their lives to go to Dunkirk to pluck survivors from the sea. Each of these stories are woven together in a rich tapestry coming together in one focal point. Don't look for much dialogue here. It's

just groups of men trying to survive in a hostile situation.

The ensemble cast is made up of two stars: Tom Hardy and Kenneth Branagh lead an ensemble cast. The cinematography is incredible. You get the vastness of the sea the endless Beach of Dunkirk along with the sky that seems to have no end. The costumes are authentic including the uniforms ships and planes. I also love the use of music and sound throughout the film. The eerie sound and ticking of a watch signaling time is running out gives you that sense of anxiety and tension. The very low music sounds like the crashing of the sea.

I rank these movies right up there with “Saving Private



Ryan” and the “Big Red One.” Dunkirk is a great movie telling the story of heroism, survival, and sacrifice. I'm very glad that they did not include any traditional Hollywood unnecessary plots. They just told the story of Dunkirk of all the different people. Director

Christopher Nolan should receive an Oscar nomination (and possibly win) If you want your teenagers to see a great movie about history - they won't be bored. Take them to see “Dunkirk.” It's a “must see.”

By: Katherine Massopust

“Dunkirk” is a war story. It shows the utter frustration of Allies Forces stranded at Dunkirk Beach, France during WWII on May 26, 1940 thru June 4, 1940. This evacuation is known as the Miracle at Dunkirk.

Over the course of the film, you see the plight of Allied Forces on land, sea and air. The movie begins with one British Soldier running to the beach only to see thousands of Allied Forces waiting for ships to come. The movie then turns to the sea where British ships are torpedoed and sunk. You

then see the civilians who owned boats and came to the Allied Forces rescue. Then the movie turns to the air as Allied Pilots protect the ships and boats evacuating the troops from being sunk.

There isn't a lot of dialogue in this movie, and there aren't a lot of Hollywood Stars either. Director Christopher Nolan takes a different and unique approach to storytelling. To me, what stood out the most in “Dunkirk” was the sound. You hear the waves pound the civilian boats and military ships. You hear the bullets piercing the hull of the boats. You hear

the torpedoes hit the military ships. You hear the engine and guns on the planes. The Cinematography is excellent. Visually, you see the long Dunkirk Beach. You see what the pilots see as they fly and fight Axis Forces. You feel as if you are there with the soldiers and feel their utter frustration as they try to escape Dunkirk.

To have any excess dialogue in this film would have taken away from the effect that Nolan wanted to achieve. People forget, especially young people what their grandparents and great-grandparents and relatives went through in



WWII. This film takes you back to Dunkirk and shows the sacrifices that the soldiers made for our freedom. Every

student should see this film. They might learn something.

New Principal Meet and Greet!

PERTH AMBOY - Join us Tuesday, August 8, 2017 from 7:00 to 8:30 PM on the Assumption Catholic School Playground, 380 Meredith Street, Perth Amboy, to meet and greet the new principal. Mrs. Lissette D Shumny will be available to answer questions about the new initiatives at ACS and tours of the school will be available. New families and current ACS families are all invited for ice cream and petting zoo fun for all ages. We are an Advanced Ed accredited school which provides a Christ-centered Catholic environment and rigorous instruction to a diverse population of Pre-Kindergarten to eighth grade students.

If you are unable to attend, please call ACS at 732-826-8721 to schedule a tour and meet with a member of the ACS administration.

Local Teen with Autism Utilizes Talent at Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen Shelter

Press Release 7/26/17
METUCHEN/EDISON - Diagnosed with high functioning autism with Asperger's at age 7, James Rosa attends a therapeutic behavioral school where he has access to his counselors, group sessions, medication and many other special services, geared to those with his diagnoses. Special offerings of the school include culinary classes, woodworking, photography and cosmetology, which James has been studying since he was in 6th grade.

James' mom Amanda says he has always been attuned to the needs of others, often putting them before his own. For his 13th birthday, James' family took a trip to NYC, where as part of the trip, James made and distributed lunches to homeless men and women. So it was no surprise when James, now 15, after four years of study and ready to implement his cosmetology skills, chose

to do so at the Catholic Charities' Ozanam Inn, a shelter for homeless men in Edison, NJ, giving haircuts to the men who currently reside there. Eight residents signed up to get a haircut during James' first visit on July 10, 2017.

Catholic Charities Resident Attendant Supervisor, Cynthia Bagner expressed appreciation for the important service James provided. James was enthusiastic to have provided the service and eager to start his barbering career, “I was very happy to have this opportunity brought to my attention by my mother's friend, Cynthia. It made me feel great about myself knowing I am able to provide my services to the people who need it the most. It was amazing to be able to do it”, he said. Eight gentlemen received haircuts and were very pleased, one of whom waited 7 months to get a haircut before James' visit.

Both James and the shelter are hoping to make this a monthly event for the residents.

Looking forward, James will attend a vocational school part time during his junior and senior years and will earn his cosmetology license in addition to his diploma. He will have a chair waiting for him at his local barber and will continue to advocate for the homeless and raise awareness about Autism.

The Ozanam Inn Men's Shelter provides temporary and emergency lodging, meals, physical and mental health assessments, crisis counseling, assistance with housing and employment, case management and referrals to homeless men. 14,212 nights of care and 28,424 meals were provided to 163 men in FY 2016. For more information about Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen and how you can help those in need, visit the



James Rosa gives a haircut

agency's website, www.cc-dom.org.

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Diegnan-Vitale Bill to Combat Opioid Abuse Among Student Athletes & Cheerleaders Now Law

Press Release 7/27/17

TRENTON — Legislation sponsored by Senator Patrick J. Diegnan Jr. and Senate Health Chairman Joseph F. Vitale to require the Department of Education to develop an educational fact sheet for distribution to parents of student-athletes and cheerleaders concerning the use and misuse of prescription opioids is now law.

The law, S-2402, requires the Commissioner of Education, in consultation with the Commissioner of Health, to develop an educational fact sheet that provides information concerning the use and misuse of opioid drugs in the event that a student-athlete or cheerleader is prescribed an opioid for a sports-related injury.

"More Americans die from drug overdoses than in traffic accidents, and more than three out of five of these deaths involve an opioid," said Senator Diegnan (D-Middlesex). "We

have to make sure that our student athletes, cheerleaders and their parents are educated about the dangers of opioids and the potential for abuse. This law will help to ensure that happens and, in turn, will boost our prevention efforts."

Under the law, school districts and nonpublic schools that participate in interscholastic sports or cheerleading programs will be required to distribute the fact sheet annually to the parents or guardians of student-athletes and cheerleaders, and to obtain a signed acknowledgement of the receipt of the fact sheet by the students and their parents or guardians.

"The misuse of prescribed opioids, which can lead to addiction, is having devastating effects on our families and communities. Providing students and families with the tools to start the conversation about the risks of opioid abuse in the event of a sports injury

could prevent a problem from starting," said Senator Vitale (D-Middlesex). "The fact is that knowledge is power when it comes to fighting the opioid and heroin epidemic that is claiming the lives of our residents and youth, and education must continue to be a leading part of our efforts."

According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), 44 people die in the US each day from an overdose of painkillers prescribed by doctors. In 2014, 200 million recipes of opium derivatives were made in the US.

The bill was signed by the governor Friday.

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Congressman Pallone Leads Efforts to Pass Safe Drinking Water Legislation Through House Committee

Package Includes Pallone's Lead Drinking Water Proposal

Press Release 7/27/17

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Today, the House Energy and Commerce Committee approved the Drinking Water System Improvement Act, which addresses many of the challenges facing communities nationwide who do not have confidence in the safety of their drinking water. Ranking Member Frank Pallone, Jr. (D-NJ) led House Democrats in bipartisan negotiations over the legislation, which would be the first major update to the Safe Drinking Water Act in over 20 years. During negotiations, Pallone successfully advocated to include several important provisions into the bill including his proposal to provide grant funding to public schools to replace lead drinking water fountains.

"This bill will offer real funding and real tools to make our drinking water safer and to rebuild our drinking water infrastructure," Pallone said. "I am also proud to say that the bill includes funding to replace lead drinking fountains in schools and will require EPA to assess, for the first time, the anticipated costs to replace our lead service lines nationwide. Safe drinking water should be a bipartisan issue that we can all agree on, and I am pleased that today we came together to improve our nation's drinking water infrastructure."

Pallone's lead drinking foun-

tain provision would authorize \$5 million for each of fiscal years 2018 through 2021 to help replace older fountains and to supplement the costs of monitoring and reporting lead levels in the drinking water of schools of a local educational agency receiving such funds.

The New Jersey congressman has been a longtime leader in calling for action to improve water infrastructure and to remove lead from our drinking water. Earlier this year, Pallone led House Democrats in introducing legislation to comprehensively update the Safe Drinking Water Act.

The Drinking Water System Improvement Act also includes a number of important provisions such as:

- An \$8 billion increase in infrastructure funding over five years;
- Funding for states to oversee drinking water systems;
- A minimum level of assistance for disadvantaged communities;
- A requirement that EPA make consumer confidence reports more accurate, more understandable, and more frequent;
- A buy American requirement for iron and steel products and Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements.

The Drinking Water System Improvement Act is now eligible to come to the House Floor for a vote by the full chamber.

New Jersey's Colonial Architecture

WOODBIDGE - New Jersey's wide variety of 17th and 18th century extant architecture is the focus of an illustrated talk by David Veasey at Woodbridge Main Library, on Thursday August 10, 2017, at 7 p.m. The talk is based on Veasey's book, New Jersey's Colonial Architectural Told in 100 Buildings.

Poets

Wednesday

WOODBIDGE - Damian Rucci & Shane Carreon Wednesday, August 9, 2017 from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Workshop 7 p.m. For more information, please contact poetry director Deborah C. LaVeglia tel. 908-272-3141 Email: PoetRed@aol.com Website: www.poetswednesday.com at the Barron Arts Center, 582 Rahway Avenue, Woodbridge. 732-634-0413

Book Drive

WOODBIDGE - The Woodbridge Public Library Teen Advisory Group is hosting a book drive for the Middlesex County Juvenile Detention Center through the month of August.

Please donate gently-used softcover or paperback books for AGES 10 TO ADULT. Books will be collected throughout the entire month of August at every library location.

Some suggested titles & subjects: Goosebumps series, Diary of a Wimpy Kid series, James Patterson, Stephen King, Lisa Unger, John Green, Captain Underpants series, The Hunger Games series, Divergent series, Percy Jackson series, Bluford High series, Harry Potter series, Graphic novels, Nonfiction books about animals, Biographies, True crime, Books in Spanish, Drawing Books. HELP TEENS BUILD A BETTER WORLD ONE BOOK AT A TIME! Questions? Contact 732-634-4450 ext. 7130.

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.*

On July 31, 1942, the Germans lose three submarines — U-213, U-588 and U-754 — to enemy action in the Atlantic Ocean. A flight of 630 British bombers raid Düsseldorf, Germany, destroying 453 buildings and killing 276 civilians. 29 bombers are lost. In Great Britain, the government bans driving for pleasure.

On August 1, the Germans — unable to gain much ground in western Egypt — launch a heavy air raid on Cairo. An interlocking convoy system for shipping — first introduced along the eastern seaboard of the U.S., which resulted in a pullback of German submarines there — is implemented, as well, in the Gulf of Mexico and in the Caribbean. In Asia, the Japanese establish a puppet government in Burma. British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Gen. Alan Brooke, Chief of the (British) Imperial General Staff, arrive in Cairo, Egypt. The poor performance of the British Eighth Army in North Africa is of concern, and replacement commanders are being considered.

The British convoy “Pedestal” leaves the U.K. for Malta on August 2. It is carrying desperately needed supplies for the island bastion — located midway between Sicily and North Africa — that is under siege by the Germans and the Italians. U.S. troops begin shipping out to the U.K. aboard the passenger liners *SS Queen Elizabeth*, *SS Queen Mary*, and *SS Nieuw Amsterdam*. These vessels — now converted to troopships — are too fast for standard escorts, so they sail alone. Their routes across the Atlantic are based on British Admiralty intelligence on Axis U-boat concentrations.

In the South Pacific, the destroyer USS Tucker on August 3 is escorting the ammunition ship *SS Nira Luckenbach* from Fiji to Espiritu Santo, New Hebrides. Tucker, approaching Espiritu Santo, hits a mine in an American minefield laid just the day before. Six crewmen are killed; 152 survivors, including 21 wounded, are rescued by *Nira Luckenbach*. Tucker sinks the following morning, despite attempts to tow her into port. In the U.S., the FBI arrests 89 “dangerous aliens.”

On August 4, advance units of the German 4th Panzer Army cross the Aksay River, in Russia, on their drive toward Stalingrad. The British government, citing documents seized in a raid in India, accuses Mohandas Gandhi and others in his party of working toward the “appeasement” of Japan. To prevent illicit communications in the Occupied Netherlands, the Germans order all Dutch homing pigeons to be killed. In New York, Paramount Pictures premieres the musical film “Holiday Inn,” starring Bing Crosby and Fred Astaire. The movie will win an Oscar for Best Original Song: Irving Berlin’s “White Christmas.” The U.S. War Production Board bans the manufacture of typewriters for private use.

Allied convoy SC-94 (35 merchant ships traveling from Sydney, Nova Scotia, to Liverpool, England) is sighted by a German U-boat in the Atlantic on August 5 when a group of six ships and two escorts gets separated from the convoy due to fog. One ship is sunk, but two U-boats are driven off. On the Eastern Front, German Army Group A continues its offensive, with advances towards the oilfields of Maykop in the Caucasus.

The U.S. Army’s Lt. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower on August 6 is appointed as commander-in-chief of Allied forces preparing to invade North Africa. In the Soviet Union, the Germans cross the Kuban River near Armavir, in southern Russia. In Detroit, Max Stephan — a German-born restaurant owner who had been convicted of treason in July for aiding an escaped German prisoner of war — becomes the first American citizen to be sentenced to death for treason since the Whiskey Rebellion in 1794. (President Roosevelt will commute Stephan’s sentence to life imprisonment eight hours before his scheduled execution by hanging.)

Do you or someone you know have Old Photographs or Documents?


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Flea Market

PERTH AMBOY - Aug 5th and 12th from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Perth Amboy Moose Lodge, 989 Convery Blvd., Perth Amboy. Vendors wanted. Call 732-925-8273 for info.



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: Aug. 12 & 26 ;Sept. 9 & 23; Oct. 14 & 28; Nov. 11 and Dec. 9. 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. !!!!

Bookmark Coloring Contest @ Dowdell Library

Press Release 7/19/17

SOUTH AMBOY - Enter the library’s bookmark coloring contest and have a chance to win a gift card! Just note how the library is your friend, how the library has helped you, or how you can be a friend to the library.

There are four age categories: Children (Grades 1-5), Tweens (Grades 6-8), Teens (Grades 9-12), and Adults. Winners in each age category will receive gift cards from the Dowdell Library and have their creations reproduced on bookmarks.

Bookmarks and contest forms can be picked up in the library during normal business hours. Forms and bookmarks must be returned to the library before Friday August 18, 2017. Winners will be announced Thursday, August 24 at the Summer Prize Party.

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

The Dowdell Library’s summer hours are Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 10 am to 8 pm, Wednesday and Friday from 10 am to 5 pm. For more information, please visit www.dowdell.org, or contact the Library at 732-721-6060 or comments@dowdell.org.

Pet of the Week



Dan H. with Honey

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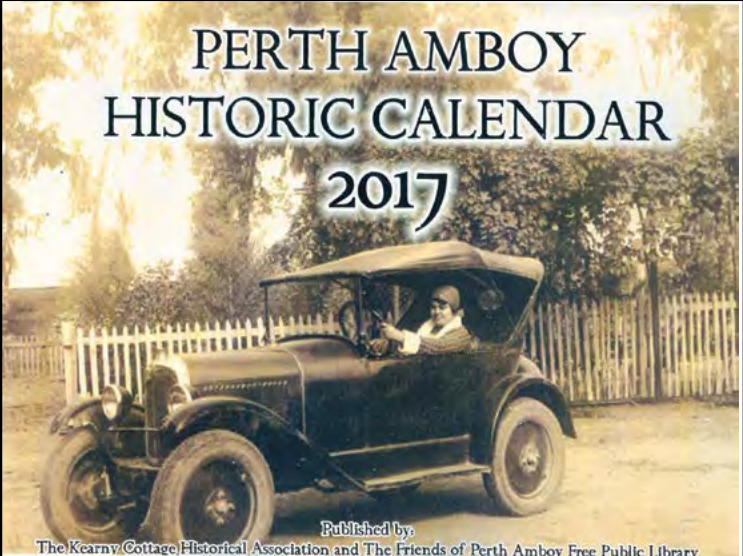
DVRT Seeks Volunteers

PERTH AMBOY – The Domestic Violence Response Team is looking for volunteers. Open Registration Date: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, contact: Detective Liza Capo, Perth Amboy Police Department at: 732-324-3815 or DVRT Coordinator Damaris Ramirez at 732-500-5758 or Pastor Bernadette Lopez at 732-213-1537. Pick up an application at the Perth Amboy Police Department.

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PERTH AMBOY/JERSEY CITY/FORDS – Donate any new or gently used shoes to help those in need. Drop off at our Perth Amboy location for a chance to win \$100. Drop off points: Sneaker Ferry: 156 Smith St., Perth Amboy; Etiket Barbershop: 335 Grove St., Jersey City; Mr. Fresh Laundry Services: 455 New Brunswick Ave., Fords. Questions? E-mail: Spreadlove_3@yahoo.com. June 12 – August 14.

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.

“Garden Side Chat” Educational Event

PERTH AMBOY- Hackensack Meridian Health Raritan Bay Medical Center's Integrative Health Services team is providing a free “Garden Side Chat” educational event in The Learning Garden, Tuesday, August 22, 12:00 p.m. to 12:30 p.m., at Raritan Bay – Perth Amboy, 530 New Brunswick Ave. Nina Regevik, M.D., FACP, ABIHM, will lead the discussion on the nutritional and medicinal values of vegetables, herbs, and spices. The event will be held rain or shine and registration is required. For more information and to register, call 732-324-5257 or email integrativehealth@hackensackmeridian.org

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, August 3, 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.



Raritan Bay Cruisers Car Show

WOODBIDGE- Tuesdays from May 16th - Sept. 26th from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. at Pizza Hut, Rte. 9, Woodbridge (Walmart Parking Lot) Weather Permitting. Rock & Roll Music, Trophies, Kids Games, and Just Family Fun. For more info about Cruise Night Call 1-732-407-2396.

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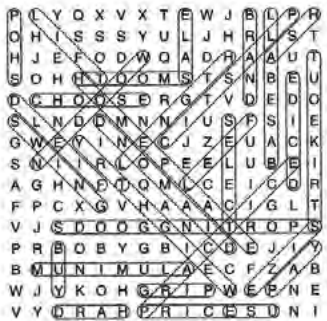
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Perth Amboy	
TUES. Aug. 1	Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.
•	Good Shepherd Tuesday Seniors (HS) 12:30 p.m. Msgr. Gambino Hall, Florida Grove Rd.
WED. Aug. 2	St. Stephen's Seniors, 1 p.m., Cafeteria, State St.
•	Good Shepherd Wednesday Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Msgr. Gambino Hall, Florida Grove Rd.
•	Holy Trinity Seniors, 1 p.m., Church Hall, Lawrie & Johnstone St.
THURS. Aug. 3	The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
MON. Aug. 7	St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.
TUES. Aug. 8	Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.
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MON. Aug. 7	St. Mary's Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.
WED. Aug. 9	South Amboy Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.
MON. Aug. 28	Sacred Heart Seniors, 12 Noon Memorial Hall, Wash Ave.

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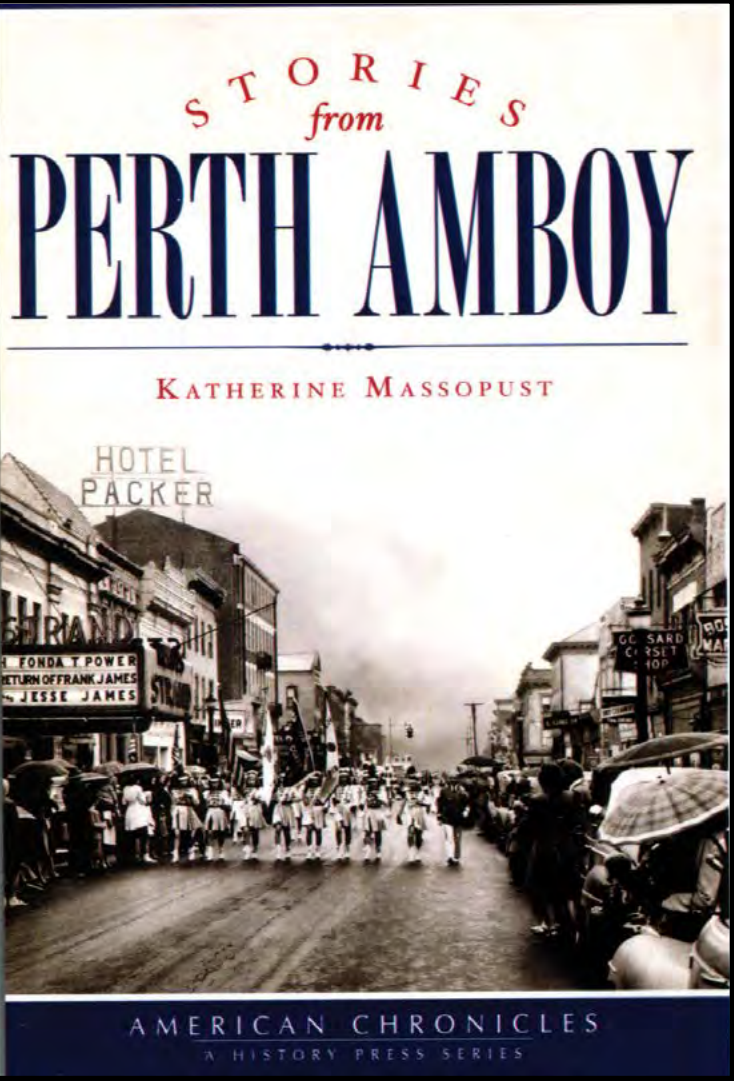
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LOOKING BACK



PERTH AMBOY - Extremely low tide, Perth Amboy Marina, October 1990
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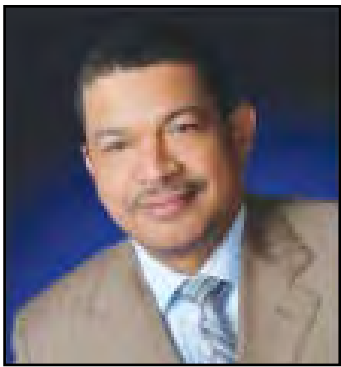
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