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9/11/17 Caucus & 9/13/17 Council Meeting

PERTH AMBOY – At the 9/11/17 Caucus Meeting, Councilman Fernando Irizarry had a comment regarding R-364-9/17 – Requesting permission for the Dedication by Rider for the Bridge Perth Amboy I Urban Renewal Trust permitted under the Tax Exemption Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:20-1 et seq.

Irizarry said, “I am not in agreement with this resolution. It’s too vague and ambiguous. Break it down to percentages and uses. It’s not fiscally responsible. We should be paying down the debt and not using this for property tax relief for the homeowners. We will just have a temporary financial high.”

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez said, “I agree somewhat with Mr. Irizarry, but taxes went up by \$300. Our people can’t afford to live here.”

Irizarry countered, “This is only giving the taxpayers a band-aid. The City is paying interest on the debt they owe.”

Business Administrator Adam Cruz added to the discussion, “It’s the Council’s decision on how the revenue obtained from Bridgeport is used. Our municipal taxes were 0%. The tax increase mentioned by Councilman Gonzalez was because of the School Board’s Budget.”

CFO Jill Goldy added, “The City doesn’t have the ability to pay as you go.”

Resolution R-364 was voided on the agenda for the regular 9/13/17 Council Meeting.

At the 9/11/17 Caucus, Business Administrator Adam Cruz reported that PARA has hired Joseph Maraziti LLP to contact Kushner Developers about the problems on Rector Street.

Council President Bill Petrick

spoke up and said, “The Council would like to have more say in this matter.”

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez said, “I am concerned because the developer has been doing some work that puts the City in danger.”

Annie Hindenlang said, “Kushner Representatives had meetings with the Landings Residents stating they were representing PARA.”

Law Director Peter King asked, “Has there been any written documents?”

Hindenlang responded, “We (PARA) will notify the Landings Residents that the Kushner Representatives that met with them did not represent PARA.”

During the public portion, some of the Landings Condo owners came up to speak. One

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Council Members & Residents Discuss Improvement For the City

9/20/17 Council Meeting



Barbara Pasternack
**Photos by Carolyn Maxwell*



Ken Feeley

SOUTH AMBOY - Councilman Thomas Reilly discussed the results (pros and cons) of the recent study that Rutgers did on the City of South Amboy. Reilly explained the last time South Amboy drew up a Master Plan was in 2004. “The Rutgers Study indicated that a walkway should be extended to the Waterfront. Parking problems still exist in the City. More signage is needed to highlight the historic sights and points of interest. The Business Improvement District and Historical Commission are positive aspects. The Arts Council continues to promote different programs, but more adult programs are needed. We used to have a men’s basketball and softball league. Other items that can make South Amboy more attractive would be community gardens and possibly a farmer’s market. The Façade Grant Program will continue to help businesses improve their exterior appearances and sidewalks. Code violations need to be addressed. Partnerships with grocery chains should be established. We should think about using local farmers with vendors on Main Street and Broadway. We should reduce some of the reg-

ulatory value (restraints). We should improve on the Transit Village. These are just some of the items that Rutgers recommended.”

He mentioned the upcoming business breakfasts.

Councilman Brian McLaughlin agreed with Reilly’s comments. He congratulated the Fire Department coming in First Place at the Firemen’s Convention in Wildwood. He also recognized the First Aid Squad who placed First Place in their category. “Both Departments still need more volunteers.”

Councilwoman Zuzette Dato congratulated the Arts Council for a job well done. “I went to the Duprees Concert that was held at the High School and it was wonderful. A lot of out-of-towners attended. On Saturday, October 28, 2017, there will be a Frankie Valli tribute concert.”

Council President Mickey Gross congratulated the South Amboy Fire Department for their championship win in Wildwood. “They are always first in the town and in my heart. I also want to congratulate the ladies running the Arts Council. They will be having a

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Handicapped Accessibility a Problem

9/13/17 Council Meeting

PERTH AMBOY – Resident Stephanie Márquez-Villafañe wanted to thank the Mayor and Council, “I talked to her in regards to making November Lung Cancer Awareness Month. Because of Mayor Diaz’s efforts, a resolution was drawn up and passed by the Council to make this happen.”

Stephanie then spoke about the challenges she’s having as a handicapped individual. “Outsiders of the handicapped community can be ignorant. I am disappointed with Code Enforcement. King Plaza, which was built in 2008 does not have adequate handicapped or van parking accommodations for their tenants. Barriers are not provided. I’ve met with Deputy Police Chief Cattano and other police representatives about this problem.”

Council President Petrick asked Stephanie, “Do you have written documentation pertaining to meetings you’ve had with different departments pertaining to this issue?”

Stephanie answered, “Yes. I also have maps showing where handicapped accessibility should be and hasn’t been implemented, yet.”

Petrick continued, “Different agreements are made and can we (the Council) get maps that state which are County streets and roads?”

Stephanie replied, “The City is not updated to ADA Laws when it comes to our streets and sidewalks.”

Business Administrator Adam Cruz stated, “I met with Stephanie and her mother, and changes were made in the marina regarding handicapped accessibility. We looked at the

library, too, but it’s only been a month that we have started working with Stephanie and we will continue to do so. And yes, we have encountered problems with HUD Housing and County Roads when it comes to ADA compliance.”

Resident Barbara Sottilaro came up to speak and mentioned that the library was supposed to be handicapped accessible 20 years ago. “Renovations were made and the leaking stopped, but the site is still not ADA accessible. The City raises money for fireworks, but not to make the library ADA accessible. The people who sponsor the fireworks can give to the library.”

Council President Bill Petrick mentioned, “The elevator (that was supposed to be built)

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Celtic Fest coming up soon.

City Engineer Mark Rasimowicz gave an update on the improvements on lower Main Street. "RFQ's (Request for Quotation) were submitted for the reconstruction of Main Street. There must be an inspection, bids to be open, and plans designed. The County went out to bid for this work. Hopefully it will start sometime this year. With the Ferry, conceptional designs are being drawn up, especially for the bulkheads. The remediation is almost complete. Monitoring of the wells is being done. There's also going to be reconstruction on Bordentown Avenue from South Pine to Mason Street. A funding grant from the State for \$300,000 will be used for this."

Mayor Henry then spoke about another grant for Pine Street, "Sidewalks and curbs will be part of the improvement. Our infrastructure is very important and we can't let it go. There are RFQ's out for the placement of the Ferry Terminal. It's a long ongoing process. In the long run, the Ferry will help the people here. I also want to congratulate the Arts Council for their concerts which bring people to town. Visitors can see what we offer such as dining and other attractions. The Fire Department always does South Amboy proud. The Department tells me they just try and I tell them you don't try - you just do it."

During the Public Portion, Church Street Resident Mark Messenger came up to speak. He congratulated the Council on some upcoming projects that look exciting. "... But back in March, I complained about a dilapidated property at 221 First Street. The condition of this building has not improved. The owner put it up for sale and just covered the roof with a tarp, which is falling down."

Council President Mickey Gross responded, "We'll inform Code Enforcement to look at this property."

Resident Barbara Pasternak came up next to speak and questioned, "How many units are being built for the Woodmont Property?"

Mayor Henry responded, "126 units consisting of one and two bedroom apartments with parking underneath the building."

Pasternak was concerned because she felt the buildings were too close together and presented a fire hazard. She then asked about the concrete structures across from those units.

City Engineer Mark Rasimowicz responded, "It's another

South Amboy

building. It's part of Woodmont. All of this went through the Planning Board."

Pasternak went on to mention, "With all these buildings, there will be a lot of traffic on these small streets."

Councilwoman Dato responded, "There were actually two ways to leave that area which involves John O'Leary Boulevard and Bordentown Avenue. All these structures must go through the Planning Board. All of the meetings are open to the public and publicized beforehand in the newspapers."

Mayor Henry added, "The Redevelopment Agency also made a presentation about the Woodmont Development."

Dato then mentioned how good of a neighbor Woodmont has been to the City of South Amboy, "The land that the YMCA was built on was donated by Woodmont."

Resident Ken Feeley came up to speak. He agreed with Councilman Reilly that a farmer's market will be good for the town. He then mentioned Deekers Farm. "We need another food chain market instead of all of these Krauzers."

Mayor Henry said, "The property (where the former Foodtown/Key Foods/C-Town was located) is an odd shaped lot."

Feeley then continued, "People are getting tired of all of these houses." He then turned around and addressed Mr. Messenger and said, "You need to speak directly to your Council who represents your ward regarding the house in ill shape. This Councilman will help you out."

Councilwoman Dato addressed Feeley in regards to pursuing having another supermarket in the City. "The three supermarkets that were here weren't financially successful. No one was supporting them."

Feeley responded, "It's a failure brought on by the owners of these stores."

Dato went on to explain, "The Mayor had reached out to chains and they always look at the demographics of an area."

Council President Mickey Gross remarked, "The supermarket chains said there's not enough traffic in the City to succeed."

Feeley reiterated, "Parking is still a problem. You can build and bring in businesses that bring in traffic. We have beat this subject to the ground."

Dato wanted to respond to a statement that Feeley made earlier. "It's unfair to take a swipe at a former Councilman who is not here to defend himself. That former Councilman has asked many questions while he was here."

Feeley responded, "You don't know what he's done to me. I will give you that. Maybe it was inappropriate to bring that up."

Council President Mickey Gross added his thoughts on the matter and stated, "That former Councilman busted his butt during Hurricane Sandy and I will stand up for him!"

Feeley responded, "I apologize for the remarks I made."

Council Vice President Christine Noble was not present at the Meeting. The next Business Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 4, 2017 at 6 p.m.

Meet 'N Greet, La Terrazza 9/14/17

**Photo by Perth Amboy BID*



PERTH AMBOY - Over 180 business professionals, community leaders and elected officials recently attended the Perth Amboy BID's Meet and Greet networking event at La Terrazza Cubana Restaurant, according to BID Manager Junel Hutchinson. The BID reminds everyone that the Taste of Perth Amboy will be held aboard the Cornucopia Cruise Lines' St. Charles vessel on Thursday, October 19 from 6 to 9 PM. For more details about the Taste, visit the BID's Facebook page or call the office at 732) 826-0290 , ext. 4048. Tickets are available now at Eventbrite (<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/taste-of-perth-amboy-2017-tickets-37767149561>) and the cost is \$30 for adults.

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Alameda Center for Rehabilitation Leads Puerto Rico Relief Efforts for Nursing Home Residents

By: Dr. Jorge Gonzalez Gomez.
 The devastation in Puerto Rico (PR) is astronomical. The Perth Amboy (PA) community is coming together to assist in any way possible. Alameda Center for Rehabilitation and Healthcare is spearheading a relief effort to assist insured nursing home residents in Puerto Rico who have an imminent need to be relocated to a temporary facility while the island rebuilds and recovers from Hurricane Maria.

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Housing Authority Update: Best Practices

9/13/17 Council Meeting

PERTH AMBOY - Douglas G. Dzema, PHM Executive Director of Housing Authority gave a brief overview what the Housing Authority has achieved over the past year. "Right now, we have over 1000 units in Perth Amboy that are monitored by HUD. We are tested annually and are a high performer. The poverty level in the City is 20%. For those under the age of 18, it is 25%. 30% for those on social security. 17% over the age of 65. There are 500 people on the waiting list. We're looking to

increase the turnover rate. We have been promoting self-sufficiency through furthering the education and employment opportunities of our residents. We have a mortgage program that can get up to 15 years of assistance. Over 100 participants had completed the self-sufficiency program. We're only one of two HUD Certified Counseling Agencies. There are 365 Rental Housing Units under RAD (Rental Assistance Demonstration). We have awarded \$75,000 in scholarships since 2007."

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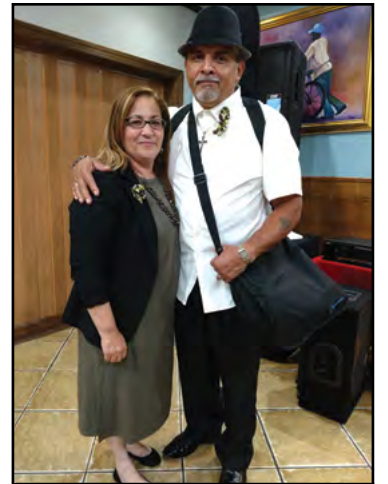
Pulling Back the Curtain: Reflections on Ending Homelessness Event



(L to R) Bob Corrozza from M&T Bank, Perth Amboy YMCA President & CEO Steve Jobin, Pastor Bernadette Falcon-Lopez, Mary Ann Lawrence from M&T Bank, Pastor Damaris Gonzalez, Gupreet Grewal.



Steve Jobin and Adele from A.T. Towing
*Photos by Katherine Massopust



Pastor Berny with her husband, Raul

There is a well-known movie that has been around for generations called: *The Wizard of Oz*. This movie based on a first of series of books by Author L. Frank Baum. The main character, a young girl named Dorothy was caught in a tornado and knocked unconscious. When she woke up, she was in the Land of Oz. She went on a quest to meet the Wizard of Oz who appeared as an intimidating giant head in front of a closed curtain. Towards the end of the movie, the curtain was pulled back, revealing an ordinary man at a control board. The Wizard made this giant image appear with his machine.

When you pull back the curtain, it's not always what you think. This concept goes for the YMCA and also God's Army Ministry (Founded by Pastor Bernadette Falcon-Lopez (Pastor Berny)). When you pull back the curtain on these two organizations, you will see there are many more layers than what appears on the surface in front of the curtain.

On Thursday, September 21, 2017, we had the opportunity to go to a fundraiser held at Mi Tierra Restaurant, 315 State St., Perth Amboy. This fundraiser was to help God's Army Ministry help the homeless.

It's disheartening when some speakers at Council Meetings constantly berate and complain about the Perth Amboy YMCA. Please stop comparing it to the Community Center in Woodbridge and the South Amboy

YMCA. To make a comparison between the three is nonsense.

What even bothers me more, is when they talk about the YMCA CEO & President (Steve Jobin) salary which is in our humble opinion – not enough. First, that job is a not a 9 to 5'er and often he does a lot of work that he's not compensated for, and people don't know about it.

When it's mentioned about the money the Y owes the City, you should remember money taken in also pays for the salary of the employees. As previously mentioned, remember some Perth Amboy residents pay very little or no fee at all for memberships. 80% of YMCA employees are Perth Amboy Residents. What else struck us was the water safety classes for second graders. Isn't it worth it to teach your children how to swim instead of having to risk drowning.

There is a lot more to helping the homeless than giving them a meal. The public doesn't see the amount of work she does behind the scenes. She has often dipped into her own finances to help the homeless (both individuals and families).

The program held at Mi Tierra Restaurant was paid for by M&T Bank. A tape of the event would be a helpful tool for everyone to see, especially critics of the Y and God's Army Ministry. It was very enlightening.

At many previous Perth Amboy City Council Meetings, the problem of homelessness has been discussed. Perth Amboy and New Brunswick are the

only two municipalities in Middlesex County that participate in the Code Blue Programs. Other municipalities refuse to take care of their homeless population and send them to Perth Amboy and New Brunswick. As of yet, other municipalities have been reluctant to participate in the Code Blue Programs.

The proof is in the pudding. The YMCA fostered a partnership with Pastor Berny when the facilities she was using were no longer available to her. Steve Jobin had heard a lot about Pastor Berny's efforts and decided to make a surprise visit to the facilities she was operating out of. Jobin was astonished at her volunteerism at how her team work together in serving those in need. They were committed to feeding the homeless in mind, body, and soul.

The one thing that both Pastor Berny and Steve Jobin emphasize is that they cannot do it alone. They recognize their team of volunteers and/or employees behind them.

They were grateful to those in attendance at Mi Tierra to make contributions in their campaign to help the homeless.

Mayor Wilda Diaz was the first to speak at the event, "Pastor Berny has been helping so many men and women. How many times out of her own pocket? They've gone to every corner of the earth to help the homeless. On the coldest, coldest days, she has gone to help them. Steve (Jobin). I can't thank you enough for partnering up. It's such an important effort. Starting in October, we don't have a men's shelter. The homeless men are counting on Pastor Berny and Steve Jobin. We're all in this together. It affects so many of us."

Diaz continued, "Pray for Puerto Rico (and for the victims

of the devastation caused by Hurricane Maria). So many of our families live in Puerto Rico. Pray for them."

Pastor Berny then came up to speak, "We partnered with many organizations and individuals. How many homeless are without food? I can't tell you how many families get permanent placement. Only God can do this - Only because of Him. We had no place to go. The YMCA then adopted us into their family. With the help of the Perth Amboy YMCA and Steve Jobin – he opened his heart. "How are you doing this?" he asked me. I answered, "By faith." The YMCA is a nonprofit organization. You have to pay out exactly what comes in. They did so much for us. It's about us as a community. We have to do more. Our winter is very scary, now. They all need help. It truly "takes a village." We've got a lot of homeless. We lost "Sammy" (a nickname of one of Perth Amboy's homeless who died in a fire) who was just trying to keep warm, and Chris Johnson, a Veteran who was murdered after he moved back in with his girlfriend who stabbed him to death in a domestic violence case."

There was a musical interlude performed by Marguette Feliciano and Pastor Berny's husband, Raul Lopez.

A video entitled, "Ending Homelessness" was shown. The video featured families who were helped out by Pastor Berny.

Gupreet Grewal came up to speak about her experience as a homeless person. "My husband and I were living in a car with our kids. We finally had to give the kids to family members to live with. We called social services. No one came to help us. We called the Salvation Army.

The woman on the phone gave me Pastor Berny's cell phone number. Pastor Berny put us up in a hotel. She got us vouchers and permanent placement. I can't thank them enough. I'm now one of her Church's volunteers." Tears of gratitude began to flow as she finished her presentation. She then hugged Pastor Berny

Steve Jobin spoke next. "Part of my job is fundraising. Our Y is a bunch of doers. People give to what they really care about. I'm was tired of walking by that guy by Dunkin Donuts and giving him a dollar. I said to myself, this time, I'm not going to give the guy a dollar. I'm going to ask the guy, "Can I help you?"

I asked myself, "Why all this effort for Pastor Berny?" They trust her. It was the "aha" moment for me. The Board (of the YMCA) invested in a place on Smith Street for a Case Management Center. This is to make sure that these folks can get the help they need in a system that is too bureaucratic. Our goal is for November 15, 2017 to get our people warm this winter. Pastor Berny always says, "A cup of coffee means something." It's important to talk to them and get that "aha" moment. Generosity is from the heart, and it goes a long way. We need donations to make it happen."

Jobin spoke about the rickety old van that Pastor Berny used to help the homeless. "This van was bad news. That was the day someone walked into the Y and said they needed the Board of Social Services. He was told Pastor Berny could help him.

Jobin said he asked Adele from A.T. Towing if he could fix Pastor Berny's van. In order to

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Historic Surveyor

General's Office

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

- Perth Amboy**
 WED. Sept. 27 City Council, Regular, 7 p.m.
 City Hall, High St.
 THURS. Sept. 28 Historic Preservation Commission, 7 p.m.
 City Hall, High St.
 TUES. Oct. 10 City Council, Caucus, 4:30 p.m.
 City Hall, High St.
- South Amboy**
 WED. Oct. 4 City Council, Business, 6 p.m.
 City Hall, N. Broadway

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Editorial: Pulling Back the Curtain

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do the proper repairs to the van, Adele put in \$1500 worth of parts (which he paid for himself) and did the work for free. The Men's Guild gave the other \$1000 for parts. That's a total of around \$2500 to fix the van. "That's what makes our city so special. You are a part of the solution."

Jobin later told the Guardian that Auto Dealer John Lohman had a fundraiser on Saturday, Sept. 9, 2017. For every car sold on that Saturday, he donated \$100 to God's Army Ministry."

Jobin concluded, "The Y offers a lot more than just a gym and swim. We offer childcare and aftercare. We offer classes to educate 2nd Graders in water safety. Our summer camp is such a great experience for the kids."

YMCA Board Member Dot Daniel came up to speak, "Steve is a blessing. Everyday our Y is open. We are blessed to see people who work for us."

Jobin concluded, "Thank you to all of our partners and for your donations."

The Amboy Guardian took some time and asked Pastor Berny a few questions:

AG: What made you decide to help the homeless?

PB: I used to feed the homeless once a week at a building on New Brunswick Ave. (on the 2nd Floor). I sat down and ate with the homeless and asked them how they felt. They answered, "It's not that we're homeless – it's how people ignore us."

But the problem does exist. I said to my husband, "We have to do something for them."

AG: What services do you offer?

PB: Food, housing, case management, placement from the county, getting them shelter, vouchers, benefits and getting the right medical needs. It's so much more than people think. It's a case by case effort. Some of the homeless suffer from mental illness and need medical assistance. We work towards

getting them self sufficiency.

AG: What are the reasons that people become homeless?

PB: For statistics on the homeless go to: <https://monarchhousing.org/endinghomelessness/nj-counts/>

AG: Are there more men or women that are homeless?

PB: A few years ago it was almost all men, but now more and more women and their families are homeless. They are sleeping in cars. We placed a family of 9 just a few months ago.

AG: How many of the homeless that you help are from Perth Amboy?

PB: Many of the homeless are from Perth Amboy. You just don't notice them. There are other people that come from out of town.

AG: How have you managed to do this financially?

PB: By the Grace of God.

AG: What support do you have from Middlesex County?

PB: We brought up these issues at the Freeholders Meeting in November 2016. They agree



Archangel Raphael's Mission, John El-Maraghy (2nd Left) with his parents, Mary Ann Lawrence from M & T Bank, Rosemary Oarsley, Geri Barcheski, Steve Jobin. **Photo by Katherine Massopust*

that Perth Amboy and New Brunswick take the brunt of the homeless. Many other municipalities in Middlesex County refuse to accept they have homeless. We work with the County to house folks. We're all a part of a coalition. Senator Joe Vitale is a big supporter. Assemblyman Craig Coughlin sees there's a need. I'm afraid how the hurricanes in Florida, Texas,

and Puerto Rico are going to affect us all. We're going to get people from all over. What's going to happen to them?

For more information on God's Army Ministry, contact 848-203-3544. If you wish to help Pastor Berny end homelessness: Text 91999 to make a donation. **C.M. & K.M.**

Celebrate Perth Amboy Presents the Third Annual Pink Ribbon Gala

Fabulous Gala Will Raise Funds for Mary's Place by the Sea

Press Release 9/22/17

PERTH AMBOY – Celebrate Perth Amboy is hosting the Third Annual Pink Ribbon Gala on Saturday, October 7, the Gala recognizes Breast Cancer Awareness Month with an exceptional fundraising event which will be held aboard the Cornucopia Cruise Line's St. Charles vessel, located at 401 Riverside Drive in the City of Perth Amboy. A 6 PM sumptuous cocktail hour will be followed with a delicious dinner and continuous dancing from 7 to 11 PM

The gala benefits Mary's Place by the Sea, a nonprofit organization located in Ocean Grove, N.J. dedicated to providing comfort and confidence for women undergoing cancer therapies. The caring staff offers guests Reiki therapy, oncological massage, spa services, guided meditation, yoga and nutritional counseling. Mary's Place is situated in a custom-built, state-of-the-art residence that can accommodate up to nine guests for overnight stays in private rooms.

Junel Hutchinson, who is the Pink Ribbon Gala Co-Chair, said, "Mary's Place is a haven of comfort and aid for women bravely battling cancer and for those in recovery. This sanctuary is an oasis of caring that has served over 8000 women since its founding in 2009."

In keeping with the Pink Ribbon theme, the Gala is formal and male guests may compliment their tuxedos with black or pink ties and the gals should wear any combination of pink and black evening wear

Barry Rosengarten, chairman and founder of Celebrate Perth Amboy, added, "Perth Amboy is a compassionate deeply caring community, readily assisting people, who truly need a helping hand. The Pink Ribbon Gala celebrates our commitment to serv-

ing our neighbors. We invite our friends, from both near and far, to join us for a fantastic evening. By joining together, we will help to ease the burden of recovery and help raise funds for Mary's Place by the Sea."

"We invite everyone," said Ms. Junel Hutchinson and Co-chair Elaine Jasko, "to come aboard and join your friends for a special evening of fine dining, dancing and many great moments. We encourage everyone to RSVP as soon as they can. The cost to join the festivities is \$100 a person. Those wishing to attend can register online at Eventbrite." (website is www.pinkribbongala2017.eventbrite.com (before October 1).

Guests can also send checks made payable to, "CPA Pink Ribbon Gala", P.O. Box 1905, Perth Amboy, New Jersey 08862. All donations will be tax deductible.

For more information, please contact Raquel Roche, who is the event treasurer, by phone at 732-794-9801

About Mary's Place by the Sea

Mary's Place by the Sea is a respite home for women who are receiving treatment for cancer, or who are recovering from the disease. The facility is not a medical center and has no medical staff. However, it does offer integrative services to cancer patients and provides rest and support during this challenging time in their lives. During their stay, women are empowered with knowledge that will aid them on their road to healing.

Since 2009, nearly 8,000 women with cancer have become "guests" of Mary's Place by the Sea.

The center's new home is located at 22 Main Avenue in Ocean Grove. Please call 732-455-5344 for more information.

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DEP Advisory: DEP Commissioner Martin, Mayor Diaz to Announce Major Grant for Perth Amboy Brownfield Site Transformation 9/13/17

**Photos by Paul W. Wang*



PERTH AMBOY - Department of Environmental Protection Commissioner Bob Martin, Perth Amboy Mayor Wilda Diaz and other local, county and state officials announced a major grant from the state to transform a former local scrap yard into a new public green space.

Perth Amboy Free Public Library Offers Home-bound Delivery Service!

PERTH AMBOY - If you can't make it to the library, the library can come to you!

The Home-Bound Program is a resource delivery service offered to all Perth Amboy residents who are temporarily or permanently confined to their homes because of illness, age or physical disability. Care facilities and nursing homes are also welcome to take advantage of this program. The service is absolutely free to join and use! Residents who do not currently have a library card will be issued one after successful sign-up of the home-bound application. To sign up for service call the library at 732-826-2600.

**Not in Agreement/
Not Representing PARA
9/11/17 Caucus & 9/13/17 Council Meeting**

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of the Landings owners said, "We're making progress with the Kushner vendors who are putting the units back in the condition that we were promised. There is nothing in writing, yet. The community room and gym are being transitioned back to the Condo Association once improvements are made. Only the Admiral units have not received their settlement money."

Daniel Santo Pietro, who owns a unit in the Admiral Building came up to speak next, "We (the Landings Owners) are going in the right direction without any help from the Council. We want to see Perth Amboy thrive. There's very little from City intervention. I'm going to talk to all the residents. It's been a lot of blood, sweat, and tears from our side."

The secretary from the Bayview Board said, "We received

all our settlements from Kushner."

Mayor Diaz came up to speak, "I want to thank the Landings Homeowners Association who worked to move the Kushner Project forward. There have been many mixed-use projects that came through the Zoning Board, yet you (the Council) have not asked them to come to the meetings. They (The Zoning Board) have approved large projects that have no parking with them. The Redevelopment Agency has always come before you."

At the September 13, 2017 Regular Council Meeting, Resident and Business Owner David Caba came up to speak. He stated, "I'm happy because Rector Street (by the Portion of the Landings Property) is finally going to be repaired after 10 years, but only when Kushner's new project is approved. It's not moving the City forward when you build 600 rental units. It took 7 meetings to

get things done. I hope I don't have to come up here 7 times and talk about the same subject to get things done."

Resident Alan Silber said, "The Landings Residents didn't get that road cleaned up. David Caba and Irizarry did. Look at the road (Fayette Street) leading to Crow's Nest. It's horrible."

Resident Ken Balut asked, "How much will the Bridge PILOT cause the School System and the City to lose? Our taxes went up on the school side because of the PILOT. Why is Arlene Quinones-Perez negotiating in regards to the Landings? Did the Landings people who spoke here tonight and said they approve of the new Landings project get more money in their settlement?"

Council President Bill Petrick said, "The Council has no information about Quinones' meeting with the Landings residents."

**Handicapped Accessibility a Problem
9/13/17 Council Meeting**

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for the library is held up because of the contractor. Book shelves are part of the structure. We do not have a contractor for the library, now."

Sottilaro continued, "Eleni Glykis, the Library Director said grant money for library renovations were passed."

Councilman Gonzalez commented, "It's sad that we can only fit 60 people in the library. We need a new library. This library is historic, but it's also limited."

Sottilaro continued, "I had asked Mayor Vas about a new library, but people were adamant about keeping the old library."

Councilman Gonzalez answered, "We need to emphasize education."

Sottliaro was also concerned about people who sit on the steps of the library. She mentioned the Friends of the Library fundraising events which include book sales and the Barnes and Noble Book Fair.

**Will They Get Overtime?
9/13/17 Council Meeting**

PERTH AMBOY - R-359-9/17 - Authorizing 7 Police Officer Recruits to attend the basic course for Police Officers at the Cape May Police Academy in amount not to exceed \$17,500.

Resident Ken Balut wanted to know, "Will these Officers get paid vacation and overtime for sleeping in Cape May? Police Officers get low pay. They

should get travel time, too. It's disgusting that secretaries are given overtime for working on campaigns and we're not giving Officers decent pay. I also have a problem with Harbortown. Did you ever see that pool? They need to have 2 crossing guards there. When is the millionaire (developer) going to give money for these activities? We have to give

permission to spend money to have Fun Day on his property."

Earlier in the meeting, Balut had mentioned the killing of a Perth Amboy Resident by the notorious M13 Gang.

King responded, "Most of the crime committed in Perth Amboy has to do with parking issues."

Heart Failure Class

OLD BRIDGE - Hackensack Meridian Health Raritan Bay Medical Center-Old Bridge is holding a Heart Failure class Thursday, October 12, 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., in Auxiliary Hall B&C, 3 Hospital Plaza, Old Bridge, NJ. Learn how to maximize your quality of life while living with heart failure. Registration required, call 1-800-DOCTORS (1-800-362-8677), or visit Hackensack-MeridianHealth.org/Events.

Baby Fest

PERTH AMBOY - Hackensack Meridian Health Raritan Bay Medical Center-Perth Amboy is sponsoring Baby Fest Friday, October 13, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., in Raritan Rooms C&D, 530 Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy. Learn about and enroll in programs and services promoting healthy moms, infants and children, health and nutrition education. There will be maternity unit tours, free giveaways, raffle for gifts and more. Admission is free. Children are welcome. Refreshment will be served. Registration required, call 1.800.DOCTORS (1.800.362.8677).

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Brown is Beautiful Melody Rivera Speaks out to Empower the Hispanic Community

By: Melody Rivera

PERTH AMBOY – Melody Rivera was born and raised in Perth Amboy. After her turbulent teenage years, she graduated from Perth Amboy Adult School as part of the Class of 2015. College was always the first priority for Melody. A degree from an established college was Melody's dream. Right after high school, she enrolled in Berkley College. She started college the following fall of 2015. She did not waste any time getting into college because she knew exactly what she wanted. Through her hard work and determination, Melody excelled in her classes and graduated with Associate's Degree.

Recently, Melody was one of the lucky students to represent her college in Washington, D.C. at the National Congressional Hispanic Caucus. The Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute holds an annual leadership conference rallying Hispanics from all over the nation to discuss the issues harming the Hispanic Community and form strategies on how to rectify them. It was located in the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center in Washington D.C. from September 11th through the 13th. Melody was able to sit in on numerous conferences regarding racism among the youth, workplace and society. She also was able to focus on the statistics and ratios behind the numbers of immigrants and their importance in America and the innovating ways the Hispanic community has been breaking the stigmas created by today's society. Mel-



Melody Rivera

ody was inspired by the first ever-elected Puerto Rican official Nydia M. Velazquez. Velazquez, being the first Puerto Rican woman in the House of Representatives, made Melody feel motivated for the future Hispanic women to succeed and prosper.

They also discussed different suggestions and alternatives to companies on today's issues and their stance on how they are helping the Hispanic Community. With the threat of DACA affecting thousands of dreamers across the United States, this conference made a point that every dreamer is welcome here and they will not let the bigotry that is happening in America discourage them.

Melody described how this experience has influenced her to embrace her culture more and to encourage the people around more to get more involved with their legislatures. In order for change to happen, mindsets must change. The overall message was that BROWN IS BEAUTIFUL!

TOP TEN REASONS TO ATTEND THIS YEAR'S GALA Friday, October 20th 6:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Renaissance Woodbridge Hotel, Iselin, NJ 08830

1. Proceeds to Benefit PRAHD Supporting Children, Families, Seniors and Others in Need
2. Celebrate Our 2017 Honorees
3. Great Networking
4. Fabulous Silent Auction Items, Including artwork from Puerto Rican artist Elizabeth Baez <http://www.baezfineart.com>
5. Open Bar with Top Shelf Liquor
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Puerto Rican Association for Human Development, Inc., 100 First Street, Perth Amboy, NJ 08861

We Keep You Moving

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, October 6, 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 Schul, R.N., at 732-535-4746.

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).

RBA YMCA Master Swimmers Competed in the New Jersey 2017 Senior Olympics

*Photos Submitted



PERTH AMBOY/WOODBRIDGE - The New Jersey Senior Olympics is a member of the National Senior Games Association which sponsors alternate year national Senior Olympic Games at venues across the country. The New Jersey Senior Olympics features 24 sporting events in which male and female senior athletes age 50 and older compete for gold, silver and bronze in various age categories. This year the competition was hosted at the Woodbridge Community Center on September 9th and 10th and drew thousands of competitive senior athletes. We are proud of our senior athletes who competed collectively and won 15 gold medals, 7 silvers and Sue Freeman-Patterson broke 1 state record in the 50 freestyle.

CONGRATULATIONS RBAYMCA Masters Team!!! Meredith Lyndon, Sue Freeman-Patterson, Frank Norek, Elliot Lehrer and Atsushi Hamanaka.

Alameda Center for Rehabilitation leads Puerto Rico Relief Efforts for Nursing Home Residents

By: Dr. Jorge Gonzalez Gomez.

The devastation in Puerto Rico (PR) is astronomical. The Perth Amboy (PA) community is coming together to assist in any way possible. Alameda Center for Rehabilitation and Healthcare is spearheading a relief effort to assist insured nursing home residents in Puerto Rico who have an imminent need to be relocated to a temporary facility while the island rebuilds and recovers from Hurricane Maria.

Any NJ resident who wishes to relocate their PR nursing home bound loved one, to one of our partnering NJ facility;

should contact Dr. Gonzalez Gomez (732)442-9540 at extension 7281. Facilities that have committed beds to this relief effort include Four Star Rated Alameda Center for Rehabilitation Center & Healthcare in Perth Amboy. Also partnering is Sinai Post Acute Nursing & Rehab Center in Newark, the AristaCare family of facilities throughout NJ, Venetian Care & Rehabilitation Center in South Amboy and Amboy Nursing and Rehabilitation in Perth Amboy. We intend to grow this list and the number of beds available should the need arise.

**Ads Sell! Call Carolyn
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Calendar

Dinner Dance

PERTH AMBOY - The St. Ann Society of Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary will hold its annual Calendar Party Dinner Dance on Saturday, October 21, 2017 at the Assumption Catholic School Auditorium, 380 Jacques Street, Perth Amboy. Doors open at 6 p.m., and the buffet dinner will be served at 7 p.m. This year's menu includes: fruit kababs, tossed salad, eggplant rollatini, meatballs, sausage, peppers and onions, beef & broccoli, baked salmon, penne with vodka sauce, chicken francaise and more. There will be a basket raffle, money raffle, and door prizes. This BYOB event includes the opportunity to dance until midnight. Music will be provided by DJ A Touch of Class. Tickets are \$40 and can be purchased from a member or at the parish rectory. For additional information, please call (732) 826-0767. Deadline for tickets is Thursday, October 12. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Book Buddy

Dog

SOUTH AMBOY - Join us as we read stories with our Book Buddy Dog, Olaf on Wednesday, October 4 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. We'll also be joined by Mayor Fred Henry as we present Olaf and his parents with an honorary Dowdell Library Card. All ages!! At the Sadie Pope Dowdell Library - Adjacent to Middle / High School - South Amboy 732-721-6060. Email: comments@dowdell.org or go to www.dowdell.org

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Mum Sale

SOUTH AMBOY - Sacred Heart Altar Rosary Society will have large colorful mums in 8" pots available for purchase at \$5 each or 3 for \$12 all day Saturday, Sept. 30 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 1 from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Stop by to see the fall flowers in front of Memorial Hall, 531 Washington Ave., across from Sacred Heart Church. Ideal for autumn decorating! For more information, call Virginia: 732-721-1521.

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND PUBLIC HEARING
CONSOLIDATED PLAN ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND
EVALUATION REPORT
PROGRAM YEAR 2016**

City of Perth Amboy, New Jersey

Notice is hereby provided that the City of Perth Amboy, NJ has completed its draft of the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for the 2016 Program Year for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership programs. This report contains information including: 1) summary of the resources and accomplishments, 2) status of actions taken during the year to implement the goals outlined in the Consolidated Plan, and 3) evaluation of the progress made during the year in addressing identified priority needs and objectives.

This report is available to the public for review at the Office of Economic and Community Development located 375 New Brunswick Ave., 3rd floor, Perth Amboy NJ 08861.

A fifteen-15 day public comment period will begin on Monday, October 2, 2017 during which the public is invited to address written comments to: Adam Cruz, Office of Economic and Community Development, 375 New Brunswick Ave., 3rd floor, Perth Amboy, NJ 08861.

The City will also hold a public hearing for citizens desiring to comment on the CAPER report on Monday, October 23, 2017 at 6 PM in the Third Floor Training Room of the Perth Amboy Firehouse, 375 New Brunswick Avenue, Perth Amboy NJ 08861. Perth Amboy intends to submit the final 2016 Comprehensive Annual Performance Evaluation Report to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on or about Friday, October 27, 2017.

Persons requiring special accommodations to facilitate participation in the public hearing may call the Office of Economic and Community Development at 732-324-3519.

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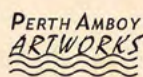
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**Story Time Returns to the
Perth Amboy Free Public Library!**

Press Release

PERTH AMBOY - The classic library service is back at the Perth Amboy Free Public Library! Join us for a fun time to meet other parents and kids for interactive reading, rhymes, music and games for kids to develop early literacy skills, socialization, and play. Our story time schedule is as follows:

Tuesday, October 17th at 1:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 21st at 1:00 p.m.

Tuesday, November 7th at 1:00 p.m.

**Please Submit Community Events
2 Weeks in Advance!**

Friends of the Library Meeting

PERTH AMBOY - The Friends of Perth Amboy Free Public Library Meeting will be Tuesday, Sept. 26 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.

100th Anniversary of St. James African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church

PERTH AMBOY - Come celebrate the 100th Legacy Anniversary of the 100th Anniversary of St. James A.M.E. Zion Church, 68 Commerce St., Perth Amboy, NJ 08861. Pastor Amos Dickerson, Jr. - 732-826-1155. The celebration is on Saturday, October 21, 2017 at 6 p.m. at the Pines Manor, 2085 Lincoln Highway, Edison, NJ 08817. Ph: 732-287-2222. Semi-Formal Attire. Tickets: \$65pp - Adults; \$30pp - Children (Under age 2 there is no charge). Please make checks payable to St. James A.M.E. Zion Church. Ticket Information: Winnie Bell: 732-763-6960; Dawn Stevenson: 201-779-1290; Lottie Lily: 732-910-5623; Edward Ford, II - 908-930-6090. For Hotel Reservations at the Crown Plaza Hotel, 2055 Lincoln Highway, Edison, New Jersey 08817 - \$72 per night; call 732-287-3500. Deadline for Tickets is October 7, 2017.

A Victorian Tea & Fashion Show

PERTH AMBOY - The Proprietary House Association will present "A Victorian Tea and Fashion Show" on Sunday, October 8th at 1:00 PM. The program will feature fashions of the late 1800s and early 1900s, brought to you by "The Victorian Ladies," Suzanne Ryan and Jackie LaPolla.

Assorted teas will be served along with scones & Devonshire cream, chocolate pairings and other sweets. Also featured will be aspects of Victorian history, games and prizes, as well as good fellowship. (All funds raised will benefit ongoing restoration and operation of Proprietary House's Museum.)

SPACE IS LIMITED! Tickets are now on sale, on a first-come, first-served basis. Admission: \$35 (\$30 for Members). To reserve & purchase tickets, contact Proprietary House Association - Phone:(732)826-5527-E-mail: info@theproprietaryhouse.org - Address: 149 Kearny Avenue, Perth Amboy, NJ, 08861.

Lecture: Artifacts from John Watson's Site

PERTH AMBOY - Richard Veit, Ph.D. Professor of Anthropology and Chair of the Department of History and Anthropology at Monmouth University will give a lecture on Artifacts from John Watson's Site at the Kearny Cottage, 63 Catalpa Ave., Perth Amboy on Sunday, October 22, 2017 at 2 p.m. Light Refreshments.

Professional Best Practices for Artists

SOUTH AMBOY - Join Artist an Educator, Laura Petrovich-Cheney as she shares her advice on how to identify opportunities and get your work seen! Laura is an award-winning artist in education and collections of work are exhibited internationally. \$10 suggested donation. Presented ARTS Council at South Amboy YMCA, 200 John T O'Leary Boulevard. For workshops or for more information visit southamboyarts.org or call 732-316-0222. Saturday, September 23, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

South Amboy Business Breakfast

Press Release 9/14/17 SOUTH AMBOY - Business owners, you're invited to the City of South Amboy's Business Networking breakfast on Tuesday, September 26 at the Dowdell Library from 8-9:30 am. Enjoy a continental breakfast, networking and a demonstration of RefUSA. Bill Loges will be coming from Omaha, Nebraska to demonstrate this valuable resource.

Learn how to target customers, identify your market and create a marketing plan. Registration is required. Please email comments@dowdell.org or call the library at 732-721-6060. This event is being sponsored by Vintage Palette on Broadway in South Amboy.

The library is adjacent to the South Amboy High School and is located on John T O'Leary Boulevard.

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, and Thursday from 10 am to 8 pm, Wednesday and Friday from 10 am to 5 pm, and Saturday from 12 to 4 pm. For more information, please visit www.dowdell.org, or contact the Library at 732-721-6060 or comments@dowdell.org.

Pirohi Sale

PERTH AMBOY - St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church is having their Pirohi Sale! Potato/Cheese Pirohi \$8.00 a dozen. Orders may be called in from September 25 thru 28, 2017 to (732) 826-7067 from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Orders may be picked up on October 3 & 4, 2017 after 2:30 p.m. at 404 Division Street, Perth Amboy, NJ.

Community Resource Day

PERTH AMBOY - St. James A.M.E. Zion Church presents Community Resource Day, Saturday, Oct. 14, 2017 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Health and Wellness Screenings, Refreshments. Health Walk: In Memory of Sister Gloria Berry from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Start: St. James Church to the Waterfront; End: St. James Church. St. James A.M.E. Zion Church Parking Lot, 68 Commerce St., Perth Amboy. For more information call Pastor Amos Dickerson Jr.: 201-240-1950.

Tricky Tray

WOODBIDGE - The Catholic Daughters of the Americas #769 Annual Tricky Tray Charity Fundraiser will be on Saturday, October 21st, 2017, from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. at St. James School, 341 Amboy Ave, Woodbridge. Admission \$15.00 in advance, \$20.00 at the door (no refund) Light Refreshments.

Grand Prizes - Flat Screen TV, Coach bags, Disney Tickets, Gift Cards and much MORE. Doors open at 12:30 p.m., (Handicapped Accessible) Tickets/Reservation call: Mary Ellen O'Connor - 908-294-0146; Lorette Zimmer - 732-636-1252. Make check to: CDA Court Mercedes #769. Mail to: Lorette Zimmer, 346 Amboy Ave., Woodbridge NJ 07095

Tricky Tray

HOPELAWN - Good Shepherd Parish at Most Holy Rosary Church, 625 Florida Grove Rd in the Hopelawn section of Woodbridge will be hosting a Tricky Tray Auction in Msgr. Gambino Hall on October 22, 2017. Admission is \$15 which includes 25 Level 1 tickets, coffee, and dessert. Adults only. Hall is handicapped accessible. Doors open at 12 noon and drawing will begin at 2 p.m. There are 4 levels of prizes plus grand prizes including Broadway Show tickets and Disney Hopper passes. Advanced ticket sale special available before 10/10/16. Currently taking reservations for tables of 6 or more. For more information and tickets, please contact Marie at 732-442-6916 or the Parish Office at 732-826-4859 or by email at gstrickytray@gmail.com.

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 1962 Reunion

PERTH AMBOY - The 55th Reunion of PAHS Class of 1962 will be on Saturday, October 7, 2017 at the Crown Plaza, 2055 Lincoln Highway (Rte. 27), Edison, NJ 08817. 732-287-2500. Some of the highlights of this Gala Evening will be:

4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Welcome

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - Wine & Beer Open Bar (Cocktails also available at cost)

5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - Cocktail Hour with passed hors d'oeuvres

5:45 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - Class Photo

6:00 p.m. - The Crowne Plaza Dinner buffet is served

5:00 p.m. - 10 p.m. - Five Hours of Entertainment Provided by "Be Our Guest" Party DJ's playing music specially catered to our group

7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. - Cash Bar

The price is \$120pp for those responding after Sept. 1st. We hope you can attend this celebration, dedicated to you, the members and guests of the Perth Amboy High School's Class of 1962.

St. James

Daughters of Thunder Revival

PERTH AMBOY - Celebrating 100th Year Church Anniversary. St. James Daughters of Thunder Revival, Serving the Lord with gladness, passion, and purpose. October 11, 12, 13 & 15. Wednesday: Sister Doretha Melvin Community Church of Iselin; Thursday: Rev. Donna Stewart, Pastor New Jerusalem A.M.E. Zion Church; Friday: Rev. Mary Giles, Pastor Clinton Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church; Sunday: Rev. Audrey Williamson, St. James A.M.E. Zion Church. Weekly Services begin at 7 p.m./ Sunday Worship at 10:30 a.m. St. James A.M.E. Zion Church, 68 Commerce St. Perth Amboy, NJ 08861. Mrs. Kathy Dickerson, First Lady; Rev. Amos Dickerson Jr., Pastor.

Free Programs & Activities @ Dowdell Library

Press Release 9/18/17 SOUTH AMBOY - Get back in the groove of the school year at Dowdell Library with free health screenings, bilingual storytimes, a local business breakfast and a banned book week contest.

Discover ways to stay healthy this Fall! Get fit with a free health screening provided by St. Peter's University Hospital on Monday September 25 from 5:30-7:30 pm.

Business owners, join us for the city's business breakfast on Tuesday, September 26, at the Dowdell Library from 8-9:30 am for breakfast, networking and a demonstration of RefUSA. This free online research tool can be used to target customers, identify your market and create a marketing plan. Registration is required. Please email comments@dowdell.org or call the library at 732-721-6060. This event is being sponsored by Vintage Palette on Broadway in South Amboy.

Enter the Banned Book Week Contest Monday, September 25 to Friday, September 29, and have a chance to win a prize! Simply, match the title of the banned book with the reasoning for its ban. This annual event celebrates the freedom to read and highlights the value of free, and open access to information.

The Dowdell Library will hold bilingual math and science (MAAST) story times starting Wednesday September 27 from 3:30-4:30 pm. These storytimes will be conducted for children (ages 3-6) and their families in Spanish and English and will involve reading, singing, and hands-on creative projects. This program is provided by a grant from the New Jersey State Library and the National Institute for Early Education Research (NIEER) at Rutgers University to host the Math and Science Storytime Series (MAAST.)

Music @ Dowdell is excited to present "Noisy Neighbors!" This Mardi Gras inspired band will perform live at the Dowdell Library on Monday, October 2 from 6:30-8 pm. Bring friends and family to enjoy an enchanting evening of Mardi Gras!

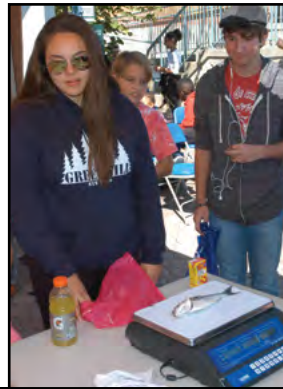
The origins of Mardi Gras can be traced to medieval Europe, but Mardi Gras was first celebrated in the U.S. by French settlers in the early 1700s. Mardi Gras is about music and celebrations and masks are a magical part of Mardi Gras tradition. The library will hold a "Maskerade" competition for the most intriguing mask. Don't miss it!

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Fishing Derby, Waterfront, Perth Amboy, 9/9/17

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Perth Amboy Democrats Picnic, Warren Park, Woodbridge 9/16/17

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Chess Club, Perth Amboy Free Public Library, 196 Jefferson St., Perth Amboy, 9/9/17

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Jose Sanchez & Jon Greene



Winner Horace Nicholson Jr.



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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.*

On September 25, 1942, four Royal Air Force de Havilland Mosquito bombers make a low-level attack on Gestapo headquarters in Oslo, Norway. Unfortunately, 80 civilians are killed, one bomber is lost and the Gestapo facility survives the attack. In Washington, D.C., the Maritime Trade Commission announces that 488 cargo ships have been built in the U.S. in the last year.

The "final" German offensive begins at Stalingrad on September 26. In Germany, August Frank, deputy chief of the SS Main Economic Administration Office, issues a memorandum containing detailed instructions on how the confiscation and dispersal of the personal property of "evacuated" Jews is to be performed. The U.S. War Production Board grants the Manhattan Project the highest level of emergency procurement priority.

In Stalingrad, the German Sixth Army succeeds in capturing most of the strategic hill known as Mamayev Kurgan and penetrates the heavily defended Red October and Barricades housing estates on September 27. A swastika flag is raised over Communist Party headquarters in Stalingrad. In New Guinea, the Australians begin pushing the Japanese back. The Second Battle of the Matanikau River on Guadalcanal ends in a Japanese victory.

Soviet forces on September 28 cross the Volga River near Rzhev, Russia, in an offensive against German Army Group Center. Rzhev sits astride the highway and railway connecting Moscow and Riga, Latvia. The U.S. Navy claims that 42 Japanese planes have been shot down in the Solomon Islands within the last three days, with no U.S. losses. In Moscow, Joseph Stalin orders the resumption of the Soviet nuclear research program that had been dormant for over a year.

British troops occupy Tananarive, the capital of Madagascar, on September 29. In the United Kingdom, American pilots who have been flying with the British Royal Air Force since the beginning of the war — including some who fought in the airborne Battle of Britain — are transferred to U.S. Army Air Force commands. In Czechoslovakia, 255 Czechs are sentenced to death for supporting, sheltering or refusing to condemn the killers of Reinhard Heydrich, who died on June 4, 1942, from wounds suffered in an assassination attempt in Prague on May 27, 1942. Heydrich is considered the prime architect of the Nazis' Jewish genocide program.

On September 30, elements of the Red Army cross the Volga River northwest of Moscow and recapture 25 villages. Top Luftwaffe ace Hans-Joachim Marseille (158 British aircraft shot down) is killed in a non-combat flying accident. Turkey and Germany complete a trade agreement: Germany will get Turkish chrome, Turkey will get German weapons. The first British military-liaison team arrives in Axis-occupied Greece. In Berlin, Adolf Hitler gives a speech, telling his audience, "... it will not be the Aryan peoples, but rather Jewry, that will be exterminated."

On October 1, the first U.S. jet fighter — the experimental Bell XP-59 — takes to the skies over the Mojave Desert in California. Despite the breakthrough, no U.S. jet fighter will see action before the end of the war. Off the coast of eastern China, the American submarine *USS Grouper* torpedoes and sinks the Japanese transport ship *Lisbon Maru*. Only later is it learned that the vessel was carrying 1,800 British prisoners of war from Hong Kong, 800 of whom die in the sinking. On the home front, publishers Simon & Schuster of New York and Western Publishing of Racine, Wisconsin, begin jointly publishing "Little Golden Books" for children. The books sell for 25 cents each. Fuel oil is now being rationed in 17 eastern states of the U.S., and a nationwide speed limit of 35 miles per hour is established for civilian vehicles.

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

PERTH AMBOY - A.C. Bus Trip to the Tropicana Casino on Sunday, October 1, 2017. Sponsored by the Fellowship Circle of the Hungarian Reformed Church, 331 Kirkland Place, Perth Amboy, NJ. Bus leaves the church at 12:00 p.m. - 6 p.m. hour stay at Casino from when we arrive in A.C. Cost: \$30.00 per person (\$25 slot play). Bagged lunch provided -To reserve a seat call: 732-261-8726.

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, Oct. 5, 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. Trip & Tribute Show Holy Rosary Seniors

HOPELAWN - The Holy Rosary Seniors are sponsoring a bus trip to Resorts Casino in Atlantic City October 25, 2017. Includes 3:30 show, a tribute to The Beach Boys, Beatles, Bee Gees, and Motown; \$10 slot play; \$20 food credit; bus and gratuity. Cost is \$70 a person. Bus leaves Church parking lot at 10:00 am. For more details please call Ronnie 732-442-5252.

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 (Wal-Mart 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.

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 information please contact carshowsRus@gmail.com or Mike Toth at mtoth1@optonline.net or 908-930-3497. Sponsored by the City of South Amboy.

Pets of the Week



Maxine and Ginger

Have a Special Pet?

E-mail us your Pet Photos to AmboyGuardian@gmail.com with Pet of the Week in the Subject line and explain why your pet is special. Please include Name and Phone# for verification.

A.C. Bus Trip St. John Paul II Seniors

PERTH AMBOY - A trip to the Resorts Casino in Atlantic City will be held on Wed. Sept. 27, 2017. Cost \$30 pp.; \$25 back in slot play. Bus will depart from behind St. Stephens Church parking lot on Mechanic Street at 9:30 a.m. Call Bobbi to reserve a seat: 732-636-2867.

Live Music

SAYREVILLE - The Machine performs Pink Floyd, also: Mikell's Plot & Raftree at the Starland Ballroom, 570 Jernee Mill Rd, Sayreville, NJ 08872 Saturday, September 30, 2017 at 7 p.m. - 11 p.m. For more info call: 732-238-5500 or email: info@starlandballroom.com

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.

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.

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: Oct. 14 & 28; Nov. 11 & Dec. 9. We will be there from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. (weather permitting). For more info, e-mail us at friendsoperthamboylibrary@gmail.com Book Dealers are welcome. !!!!

South Amboy Knights of Columbus Fall Events

SOUTH AMBOY - South Amboy Knights of Columbus Council 426 sponsor a **trip to Sight & Sound Theatre** and Shady Maple Smorgasbord Lancaster PA Saturday December 9. Motor coach leaves South Amboy K of C Hall at 8 a.m. for the 11 a.m. show, "The Miracle of Christmas." with 3 p.m. dining at Shady Maple. Cost of \$130 includes round trip motor coach transportation, tickets for the show, and lunch buffet. For more information call Nancy Smetana at 732-721-2025 or nsmetana65@gmail.com.

Open Mic September 29. South Amboy Knights of Columbus Council 426 resume their Open Mic series for the fall season Friday September 29 beginning at 8 p.m. Anyone who is part of group or is an individual performer is invited. Refreshments are also available. For more information call 732- 721-2025.

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

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Novena to St. Rita

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



Meet the Lizard Guys

PERTH AMBOY - The Friends of the Perth Amboy Free Public Library are happy to host The Lizard Guys on Saturday October 21st from 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. in the Children's Room of the Perth Amboy library located at 196 Jefferson St.

The Lizard Guys are a New Jersey based educational entertainment group that provides live animal presentations with lizards, snakes, turtles, frogs & various bugs. Find out more about them by visiting their website at <http://www.thelizardguys.com/>.

This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Perth Amboy Free Public Library. For information, contact the Friends at (201) 381-1903, e-mail at friendsofperthamboylibrary@gmail.com or find us on Facebook.

Friends encourage the love of reading and independent learning, play a role in community involvement, sponsor special programs, raise funds for special projects, equipment and materials in excess of the general Library budget.

Wine & Dine Fundraiser

EDISON - Kiddie Keep Well Camp's capital campaign to "Raise the Roof" is well underway! We are currently in the process of raising funds towards our capital campaign to rebuild our health center and to make other necessary renovations around the facilities, so that we may continue to provide the unique services to our local community. In support of this campaign, we are hosting a Wine and Dine fundraiser on Saturday, October 14th at 6 p.m. This will be held at Schirber Dining Hall at Kiddie Keep Well Camp, 35 Roosevelt Drive, Edison, NJ 08837. Cost to attend is \$125 by October 1st. RSVP by September 15 to save \$25. Pay by check or PayPal through kiddiekeepwell.org.

The menu will be prepared by the Les Marmitons of New Jersey:

- 1st course: Smoked salmon stuffed cannoli
- 2nd course: Cauliflower soup topped with fresh croutons and fried beets
- 3rd course: Poached black bass
- 4th course: Steak Diane with a potato gratin
- 5th course: Chocolate orbit cake with vanilla crème anglaise

Vegetarian option is available upon request by phone or email prior to event

All proceeds will go towards our "Raise the Roof" capital campaign. Please call (732) 548-6542 with any questions or to reserve your seat. We hope to see you there! Thank you for your support.

Senior Scene Happenings

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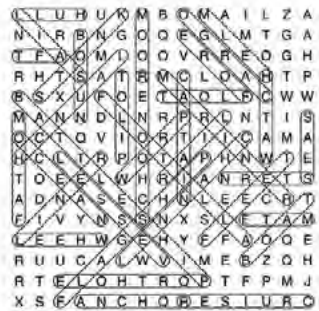
- TUES. Sept. 26 Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.
- Good Shepherd Tuesday Seniors (HS) 12:30 p.m. Msgr. Gambino Hall, Florida Grove Rd.
- WED. Sept. 27 Good Shepherd Wednesday Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Msgr. Gambino Hall, Florida Grove Rd.
- THURS. Sept. 28 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
- MON. Oct. 2 St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.
- TUES. Oct. 3 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. Oct. 4 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. Oct. 5 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.

South Amboy

- MON. Oct. 2 St. Mary's Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.
- WED. Oct. 11 South Amboy Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.
- MON. Oct. 23 Sacred Heart Seniors, 12 Noon Memorial Hall, Wash Ave.

Attn: If Your Club changes its Schedule due to the Holidays or if you have Community Events to Submit Please give us two weeks advanced notice! 732-896-4446 or 732-261-2610 AmboyGuardian@gmail.com

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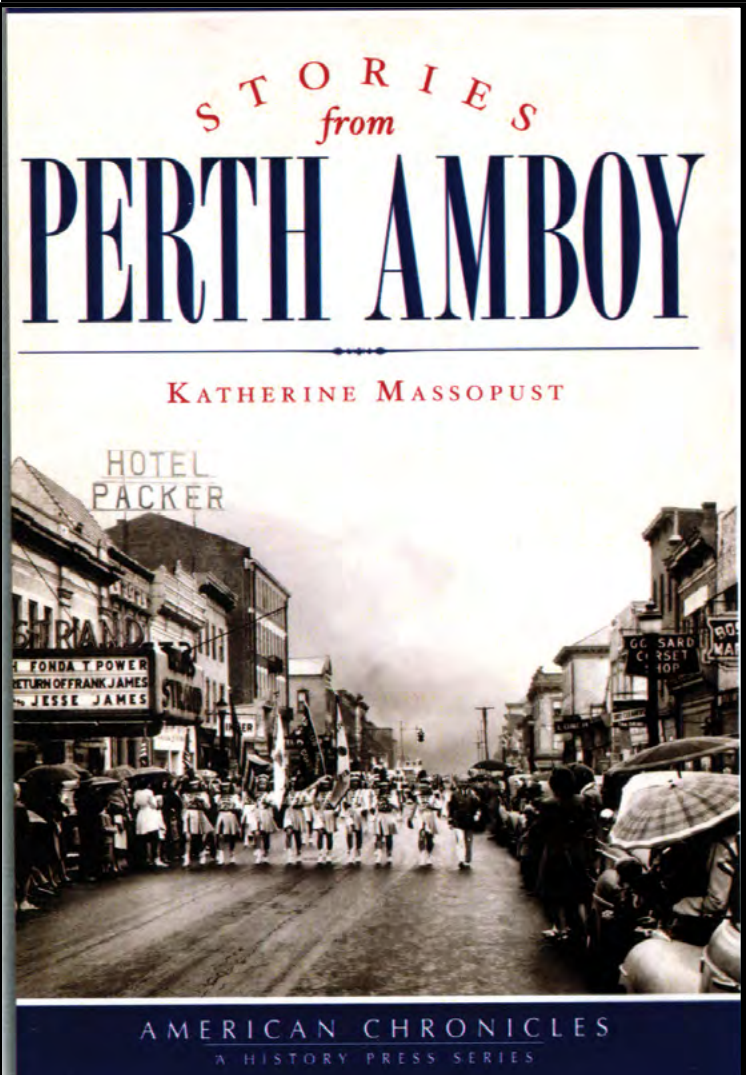
LOOKING BACK



PERTH AMBOY - Women Fencing circa 1950's

**Photo Courtesy of the Perth Amboy Free Public Library*

This photo was restored under a grant from the Middlesex County Cultural and Heritage Commission to the Kearny Cottage Historical Association.



Stories From Perth Amboy

PERTH AMBOY - Stories From Perth Amboy by Katherine Massopust is available at the Barge Restaurant, 201 Front St., Perth Amboy or in Fertig's Uniform Store, 195 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy For more info call Katherine at 732-261-2610 or call the Barge at 732-442-3000 - or Fertig's at 732-442-1079 - A Great Gift! Get it now along with Then & Now: Perth Amboy!

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