

New Jersey Schools Development Authority Officials Break Ground for Seaman Avenue Elementary School in Perth Amboy



Group photo of Present and Past Board of Education Members, Politicians, City Administrators, School Officials, Contractors, and Students partook in the ground-breaking of the Seaman Avenue Elementary School

Photo submitted

Press Release 10/5/17 PERTH AMBOY – New Jersey Schools Development Authority (SDA) CEO Charles McKenna joined Perth Amboy School District and local officials today to break ground for the new Seaman Avenue Elementary School. Once completed, the school will be the fourth new facility built by the SDA in Perth Amboy.

"As we break ground for the new Seaman Avenue Elementary School, we celebrate the start of a project that will provide Perth Amboy students with an inviting learning environment equipped with the educational tools that will help them succeed," said SDA CEO Charles McKenna. "Thanks to our ongoing partnership with the Perth Amboy School District and local officials, this community will have another quality educational facility that will help to alleviate the overcrowding experienced by the district."

The Seaman Avenue Elementary School will be a new 128,000-square-foot facility designed to educate approximately 800 students in grades kindergarten through five. The

3-story building will be constructed on District-owned land. The school will include 38 classrooms, six Small Group Instruction Rooms, four Basic skills/ESL/Resource rooms, a Science Demonstration Room, a speech room, vocal and instrumental music rooms, a computer lab, a gymnasium, a media center, a cafeteria, a multipurpose room with stage, outdoor play and learning areas. The facility is currently scheduled to open to students in September 2019.

"The building of the new Sea-Avenue Elementary School provides the students of the Perth Amboy Public School District access to exemplary resources to achieve academic excellence," said Dr. David A. Roman, Perth Amboy Public School District Superintendent. "I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge everyone's effort, especially the SDA, in continuing to work in the best interest of our students, parents, staff and community."

The school is being built using the design-build approach. This method differs from the traditional approach in that SDA contracts with one firm

for both design and construction of a school facilities project. The design-build method also allows for some design and construction activities to proceed concurrently through phased advancement, an approach that potentially allows for improvement upon the original overall schedule.

EPIC Management of Piscataway was awarded a \$43.6 million design-build contract for the design and construction of the school. As part of the design-build contract, EPIC Management is working with DI-Group Architects of New Brunswick on the design. GREYHAWK North America LLC of Mt. Laurel is managing the project. The total estimated project cost is \$56.4 million.

The SDA has invested nearly \$93 million in completed projects in Perth Amboy alone since the inception of the school construction program. Its current portfolio of active projects is valued at approximately \$2 billion – including the Capital Project portfolio, emergent projects, and Regular Operating District grants.

National Co-op, Best Practices, Municipal Alliances & Proper Procedures Some of Items Discussed

10/4/17 Business Meeting

SOUTH AMBOY – The order of the Meeting was rearranged in order to give Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Angel Albanese a chance to speak first regarding Business Item A: A Resolution to award a contract for a street sweeper. Albanese stated, "The City needs a sweeper and we joined a National Co-op to obtain one. The State didn't' have one. The City joined the Houston Galveston Co-op. A notice of this will be put in the paper so the resolution can be voted on at the Meeting on October 18, 2017. Contractors cannot bid after the close-off date," Albanese stated.

One of the Council Members then questioned if a contractor came in with a lower bid. "Can we authorize a change if necessary?"

Albanese answered, "It's possible." She also noted, "It's a growing trend where cities are using National Co-ops. Right now, I'm in the process of going over the last piece of information needed to give to the Council."

Councilwoman Zusette Dato asked, "Why does this item cost so much? Over \$238,000?"

Albanese responded, "This new sweeper has more components and it's going to be in use every day. The old sweeper is about 20 years old and it's not working out."

Business Administrator Stacey Kennedy spoke up and added, "The new sweeper will also have additional safety elements."

Albanese then spoke about the State Issued Best Practices Questionnaire that the City is required to fill out. "Usually, there are 30 questions on the form. There are 25 repeat questions from last year and 5 items that we are still working on. We answered "No" to 4 of the ques-

tions that were asked. The City needs to have at least 21 "Yes" answers to avoid not having any funding taken away. The 4 questions that we responded "No" to can't be remedied because it's dealing with union contracts which involve sick time/longevity and some nonunion employees. I attended the Governor's Finance Conference. There are limited benefits for new employees coming on board. I don't know how many cities have implemented these contracts."

City Attorney John Lanza then spoke, "The Police contracts are for one year because of the 2% cap."

Albanese then continued, "We need to get a salary ordinance in place regarding the minimum and maximum salaries. Only base pay is given which doesn't include longevity. The 4 new Police Officers are under the one-year contract."

Council President Mickey Gross had a question, "I want to know if there was any title where a person would not get a 2% increase."

Albanese responded, "No employee is against the ceiling. The union contract is based on a contractional agreement. The titles that you (Gross) would be in purchasing which will include: the cashier, payroll supervisor, assistant purchasing agent, and a tax collector. Those are the ones that would have been at the ceiling, but are not."

B.A. Kennedy wanted to thank Angel Albanese for the detailed report she gave regarding to the Best Practices Application and what it involves.

There was a request by Gundrums Funeral Home for "No Parking" signs in front of their business.

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Council President Mickey Gross suggested the Council wait for the Police Department's recommendations.

Councilwoman Zusette Dato wanted to know, "Can we control this so that it is only used for funerals only, and not all the time. There should be accessible parking for funerals (at certain hours)."

Dato also responded to a request for a handicapped parking spot at 127 South Stevens Ave. "With all these requests, we're going to run out of spaces for public parking."

Gross answered, "When people who have handicapped spots move, they are supposed to notify the proper authorities."

There was a lengthy discussion about upcoming St. Patrick's Day Parade. Council President Mickey Gross said, "I will not be able to vote on this when it comes up at the Regular Council Meeting because I am the Chair of the Parade Committee. It will be a conflict of interest. I need to make sure that anyone who is on the parade committee must follow certain guidelines. This event comes under the umbrella of insurance because it's a City event. Committee Members or any City Workers involved in the parade can't drink any alcoholic beverages until after the parade is over and if using golf carts, the keys must be turned in. This has been done in the past years."

Lanza spoke up and told the Council, "Special riders to the City's insurance are needed to be added to for the event."

Gross then continued, "There is no room for error. We take pride in this parade. This is the same procedures as we have done in the past."

B.A. Kennedy then spoke up, "All the procedures for this parade were sent to Lanza for a legal opinion."

Lanza responded, "Because of the Torts Claims Act, the municipality cannot be liable for discretionary deeds. Just make sure you get special riders each year. Make sure all involved in the parade are covered by the insurance."

Mayor Henry and City Engineer Mark Rasimowicz were happy to report for the upcoming resolution authorizing New Jersey Department of Transportation Grant Applications. "In the past, grant money from NJ-DOT were awarded to the City to make improvements on Bordentown Avenue. We are looking forward to receiving grants for pedestrian and roadway improvements on Jack O'Leary

Boulevard and on South Feltus Street."

Mayor Henry cautioned, "It will take a couple of years to get these improvements started."

Mark Rasimowicz was pleased to announce, "Each year, we have been successful in getting road improvement grants for the City."

B.A. Stacey Kennedy talked about CDBG (Community Development Block Grants). "When it comes to the sidewalk program, the money will be allocated to people who applied for and were approved for the grants."

Mayor Henry agreed, "It's a great program."

Councilwoman Dato said, "Money from CDBG Grants were used for sidewalk improvements from McCarthy Towers to Bordentown Avenue."

Mayor Henry added, "As long as money is there, we will apply for it. People can also apply for CDBG Grants for home repairs."

During the Council Comments, Councilman Thomas Reilly was pleased with the construction taking place on Rosewell Street. He also talked about the speaker at the recent Business Breakfast. "I hoped more people would have attended. Maybe we need to have the event on a Saturday and reach out to Broadway Diner in November to host an event. There was a Guitar Jam which was not publicized enough. It was a free event. The Cemetery Tours will be coming up soon." He brought up Beach Sweep and some of the upcoming events sponsored by the Friends of South Amboy.

Business Administrator Stacey Kennedy thanked the Building and Tax Departments who had student interns to work with him. "Some students will work 25 days in different departments throughout the semester. We should have a recap with the students that were in this pilot program."

Council President Mickey Gross reminded the Council they are required to have a Board of Health Meeting once a year. "On financial disclosure forms, it says you have to be part of the Board of Health." He also thanked B.A. Stacey Kennedy for redesigning the City's website.

Kennedy responded, "The Alpha Dot Group, who helped us redesign the site, can give us a demonstration in January on what additions can be added. We can analyze other departments that can be utilized."

Council Vice President Christine Noble suggested to let the other departments keep using their own social media sites such as their Facebook Pages."

Council President Mickey Gross then mentioned the Waterfront, "We have to look at different ways to utilize it. We may need an ordinance to research different ways to protect our City."

City Attorney Lanza said, "The Master Plan calls for a new zoning ordinance for that area."

Gross replied, "Let's discuss this before acting on any decisions. I will call you to give you my input."

Councilman Reilly said, 'It's important City Ordinances be enforced."

City Engineer Mark Rasimowicz reported, "There were upgrades to the pump station on O'Leary Boulevard and the Raritan Street pump station is done. The water service at the Senior Center will be replaced next week."

Council President Mickey Gross also remarked about Business Item M: Resolution for Municipal Alliance. "The County asks us to put it on the books. There is no downsize."

B.A. Stacey Kennedy said, "The City is required to do analysis of the data and it must be of benefit the City."

Gross thanked Kennedy and the Mayor.

Mayor Henry responded, "It is a lot of worthwhile work."

For more information on Municipal Alliance go to http://gcada.nj.gov/alliance/forms/

Councilman Brain McLaughlin was not present at the meeting



Election Day is Tuesday, November 7, 2017 Polls Open From 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Remember To Vote!

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).

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PARCC Data Analysis, Doctrine of Necessity **Topics for Discussion**

10/5/17 Perth Amboy Board of Education Meeting

By: Katherine Massopust PERTH AMBOY - Board President Ken Puccio had to leave early, so Vice President Milady Tejeda conducted the Meeting.

There were two presentation at the 10/5/17 Board of Education Meeting. The first presentation was given by Student Representative Natalie Dunyak who gave the Student's Report.

The second presentation was by Director of School Counseling & Related Services Ms. Mary Jo McAdam, Assistant Superintendent of Learning/Ed. Services Dr. Vivian Rodriguez and Assistant Superintendent of Administration Mr. Richard Chromey on the PARCC (Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College & Careers) Exam.

The PARCC exam is different from other standardized tests because instead of emphasizing memorization, it tests for creative learning and thinking. An analysis of the PARCC in the Perth Amboy School System came to the following conclusions: Mathematics scores were slightly higher than scores in 2015 with +1% to +10% of students meeting or exceeding expectations. On the 10/5/17 BOE Agenda, a District Supervisor of Mathematics is being hired in order to improve these scores.

The Language Arts Literacy had better results with students from grades 3 -10 with an increase of +3% - +16% of students meeting or exceeding expectations. Compared to other schools in New Jersey, Perth Amboy ranks 21.1% meeting or exceeding expectations in Grade 5 mathematics; Asbury Park is at 4.7% while Elizabeth is at 29.5%.

Superintendent Dr. David Roman and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Vivian Rodriguez attended a conference to help improve these numbers.

A comparison was done of Group A Schools (From Wikipedia: School districts in New Jersey are categorized by the New Jersey Department of Education

into District Factor Groups, which describe the socioeconomic characteristics of the local district. From lowest socioeconomic status to highest, the categories are A, B, CD, DE, FG, GH, I and J) such as Perth Amboy.

Grade 3 ELA scores ranked 32.5% of students meeting or exceeding expectations. Elizabeth was highest at 35% and Camden was lowest at 13.8%.

The data analysis of Student Growth Percentile which allows the district to compare Perth Amboy schools with other schools with similar performance in New Jersey.

Shull School had the highest at 51 and Wilentz School the lowest at 41. The scale is between 1 and 99. In 2014, the graduation rate was 60%; 2015 - 73%; 2016 - 72% and in 2017 the graduation rate is projected to be 76%. This projection shows a 16% jump in graduation rate.

Board Secretary Derek Jess read the invocation of Doctrine of Necessity which was necessary six Board Members had conflicts of interest when voting for the purpose of a sidebar agreement between the Perth Amboy Board of Education and the Perth Amboy Federation of Teachers/AFT for the 2015-2018 contract.

Superintendent Dr. David Roman gave his report. He offered the Board's condolences to the two boys who fell from the balcony on Brighton Avenue today (10/5/17). "The Middle School and Elementary School Students suffered a loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of these two students. The district has crisis teams on hand. The Board of Education extends its support."

There was a moment of silence for the victims of the Las Vegas shooting. Dr. Roman was pleased to announce the ground breaking of the new elementary school which occurred during the early afternoon at Seaman Avenue. He offered his support to the parents, faculty, staff and

Board Members who work to make things possible. "We are providing the future of this nation. We have the talent in this district. I want to acknowledge our principals in this district. People need to recognize what we are doing."

During the public portion college student Katie Ortiz explained that one of her assignments was to go to a Board of Education Meeting and ask a question. She asked, "Why is the Doctrine of Necessity used?" Later in the Meeting Board Attorney Isabel Machado explained that when a majority of the Board have a conflict of interest, it is necessary to invoke the Doctrine of Necessity.

Elizabeth Sanchez spoke next. She is planning to open up a day care center in King Plaza. "King Plaza is an ideal location for an Early Childhood Education Center. It will bridge the education gap for children of certain age groups. An outdoor play area is needed. We're in walking distance to the playground (at the Peterson School). We would like to use the playground after school hours. We will comply with Board of Education insurance requirements. We will be creating over 20 jobs in your field."

During the Board Comments, Board Member Tashi Vasquez stated, "I would like to take a moment and thank everyone for the Puerto Rico Relief Drives. Over 200 flats of water, food, and goods will be shipped out in one week to Puerto Rico. There are many people from Perth Amboy who have family members in Puerto Rico."

A statement was read from the State Ethics Commission regarding former Perth Amboy Board of Education President Samuel Lebreault. Lebreault was issued a censure by the

The Meeting was adjourned at 9:16 p.m. The next Board of Education Meeting will be on Thursday, Nov. 2, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at PAHS, Eagle Avenue.



LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

EDITORIAL

The Perfect Sister City









Juxtaposition of the old and new in Bethlehem, PA *Photos by Carolyn Maxwell

I have visited Bethlehem, Pennsylvania and was attracted to the area called "The Steel Stacks." This is the area where Bethlehem Steel was vital to the economy of not only to the residents of Bethlehem, but to the Nation, as was Perth Amboy.

According to Perth Amboy City Historian Anton .J. Massopust, Perth Amboy was the top producer of metal, smelting and refining. The Copperworks, National Lead and AS&R (American Smelting and Refining) were huge metal refineries. The Cableworks produced large machinery. There were three eight-hour shifts a day at these plants which employed hundreds of Perth Amboy residents. These industries also played a very large part of Perth Amboy's tax base and were all very good supporters and members of the Perth Amboy community. In the past 40 years, all of these plants are gone.

The Lehigh Valley Railroad transported coal which were transferred to barges which distributed coal all over.

After the steel mill in Bethlehem closed in 2003, they asked the input of the residents and the employees who were affected by the closure of the buildings what should be done. In essence, they took lemons and turned it into lemonade. The Steel Stacks were created which became multimedia information centers and another building is a visitor's welcome center where you can view a film about Bethlehem Steel, (the founding and closing of it) and why thee was a need to build St. Luke's Hospital.

Some of the buildings still need work. Bethlehem made this blighted area into an educational tool for students, residents, and visitors. C.M.

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Please, History Don't Repeat

Yourself, Please! "I'm praying but is anybody listening"

October 10th is coming. October 10th is coming

As a matter of fact, by the time you read this. It will be already here. So, I'm doing a lot of praying. Why you ask?

Am I praying so much. Because I know history.

I pray every day but the closer October 10th comes the more frequently I pray. Thanks for getting me get closer to God. Kim Jong-Un. I pray that North Korea won't celebrate this Independence Day with a nuclear fireworks show. October 10th in North Korea is like our 4th of July in America.

I also pray that if anything

happens on October 10th that the lyrics from a famous song are true

"Heaven holds a spot for those that pray"

But I also pray that I don't need that spot for many years

God Bless America!

Kevin M. Seman - T.A.D.

NJ Property **Taxes**

Why does New Jersey have the highest property taxes? I suggest it is the result of the highest population density. The largest cities have the highest property taxes because high population density increases land and property values, and the need for increased services leads to higher property taxes. Comparing states is misleading since it involves an average. The comparison should be of cities of equal population and area.

Some claim "consolidation" will reduce taxes, but they provide no facts to prove their claim as a general solution. If a municipality has excess capacity in some area they can reduce it. Sharing services implies a reduction in capacity somewhere. Consolidation will create a larger municipality and a likely increase in taxes. It also reduces the value of an individual's vote. Would

anyone suggest consolidating with Pennsylvania to eliminate the costs of NJ state government?

One solution for NJ is to share the state income and sales taxes with each municipality and county. Let each get the first 1% of their resident's income and sales tax. This solution will require a new political movement to oppose the current system.

Ronald A. Sobieraj

Las Vegas

Every time there is a tragedy, like the one that just happened in Las Vegas, we try to wrap our heads around the incident. We try to make sense of the senseless. We look for a reason. Why would some sick individual take the lives of innocent people whom he didn't even know? People on both sides look for a way to prevent such a tragedy from happening again. Everyone seems to agree that something has to be done, but what?

What drove this individual to commit such a horrible act? Some say mental illness. Well, there are so many types of "mental illness" and even more opinions on what constitutes mental illness, that's going to be tough to figure out. Was he crazy? Who knows? If he had lived and was brought to trial, an insanity defense at his trial would probably not be on the table.

The left is going to whine about gun control. Well, it's already illegal to commit murder and that didn't seem to de-

ter him. He seemed to be a determined individual. If he couldn't buy a gun he probably would have just rented a truck. What would the left whine about then? Truck con-

We should take care of the wounded, bury the dead, and console the families of the victims. Then have a complete and thorough investigation before conclusions are drawn.

Joe Bayona

Let 'em Kneel in the **Parking Lot**It seems that "taking a knee"

during the playing of the National Anthem has spread to High School sports. It was reported that four Monroe High

School football players took a knee at a recent Thursday night game.

When I was in school, if you misbehaved or did something wrong, you had to stand in the corner. I guess these players have their "rights," but nobody says that they have to join the team at the sidelines. Let 'em Mary Vargo

kneel, but since we don't have a regular corner on the football field, let them kneel away from the rest of the team.

Maybe the parking lot is a good place for them to kneel. Plenty of space for them to spread out.

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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/Face-book

Community Calendar

Perth Amboy

TUES. Oct. 10 City Council, Caucus, 4:30 p.m.

City Hall, High St. City Council, Regular, 7 p.m.

WED. Oct. 11 City Council, Regular, 7 p.m.
City Hall, High St.
TUES. Oct. 17 Library Board of Trustees, 5 p.m.

Library, Jefferson St.

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WED. Oct. 18 City Council, Business, 7 p.m. City Hall, N. Broadway

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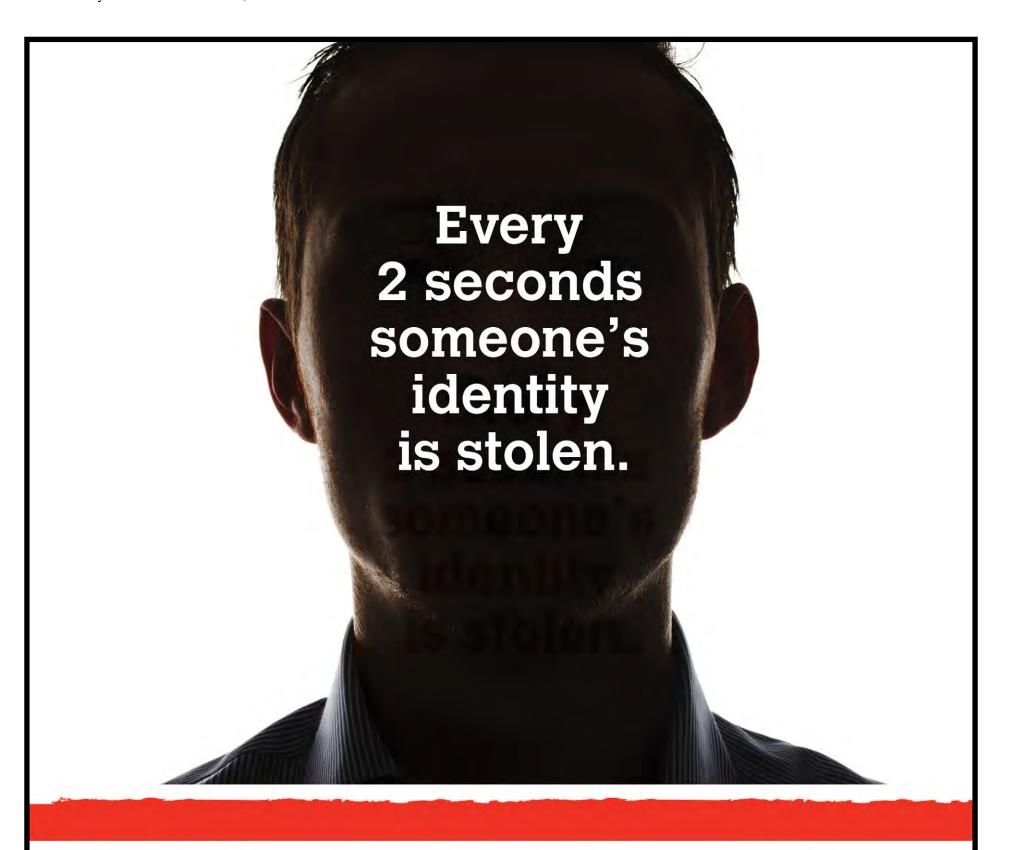
Safety Announcement From Mayor Wilda Diaz Regarding the Recent Incidents in NYC and NJ

We understand that some may be concerned by the recent incidents/ threats in New York, Seaside, NJ and Elizabeth, NJ. At this time, it has been reported that a suspect was taken into custody in Linden, NJ. We are taking safety precautions in the City of Perth Amboy, and I want to emphasize that it is important that IF YOU SEE

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"New Jersey for Puerto Rico Hurricane Relief" Makes its First Donation At Only 15 Days Old, Fund Donates \$10,000 to Hurricane Relief; Vows to Raise Much More

Press Release 10/6/17
PERTH AMBOY – Hurricane Maria made landfall in Puerto Rico on September 20, lashing the island with 30 hours of Category 5 winds. By September 21, following an emergency conference call with 33 New Jersey leaders, "New Jersey for Puerto Rico Hurricane Relief" was born.

Fund leaders gathered with elected officials today in Perth Amboy to present the American Red Cross with a \$10,000 check, vowing that much more is being raised for the relief charity, as well as the Salvation Army of Puerto Rico and the Boys & Girls Clubs of Puerto Rico. Attendees shared stories of family and friends who are struggling to recuperate and rebuild. Many said they have yet to hear from loved ones who were caught in the eye of the hurricane more than two weeks ago.

New Jersey for Puerto Rico Hurricane Relief is sponsored and spearheaded by the Puerto Rican Congress of New Jersey and leaders of New Jersey's half-million-strong Puerto Rican community to rally behind friends and family on the island suffering in the aftermath of Hurricane Maria.

During an event today, hosted by Perth Amboy Mayor Wilda Diaz at the 1st Constitution Bank on Fayette Street, elected officials discussed the ongoing needs in Puerto Rico, especially in the western portion of the island, sections of which are still without power, water and food.

A ceremonial check was presented to Christy Hodde, chapter executive of the American Red Cross, New Jersey, which has dispatched 13 rescue workers to the commonwealth. Fund organizers were quick to note their ceremonial check was written with a dry erase marker, as it will be repeatedly used to present donations to many more charities in the coming weeks, months and years.

State Sen. Nellie Pou, representing Paterson, said Washington D.C. is quick to claim that everything is "hunky dory" in Puerto Rico, when everyone knows the real truth: People are still without basic necessities. Congress needs to treat the 3.5 million U.S. citizens living on the island just like any other Americans in desperate need of help, Pou said.

Assemblywoman Annette Quijano, who represents Elizabeth, agreed, adding there are container ships of food and water sitting in the harbor, rather than being transported directly to the towns and villages that have been devastated. "We are talk-



Check for \$10,000 to the American Red Cross for Hurricane Maria Relief
*Photo by Paul W. Wang

ing about peoples' lives here," she said. "This is not a political issue, but a people issue."

Assemblyman Craig Coughlin, who represents Perth Amboy, said it is "truly remarkable" how quickly fund organizers have raised money and said it was critical to keep the plight of the commonwealth on the front page throughout the state.

"As American citizens, it is our moral duty to get them the care they need," he said. "The people of Puerto Rico need and deserve our help."

Middlesex County Freeholder Director Ron Rios said it is difficult to comprehend what is happening in Puerto Rico, noting that while his car has air conditioning, the people of Puerto Rico have been without climate control on humid days that easily climb over 90 degrees, such as in San Juan today.

"These are humans in need of care," Rios said. "I can't thank enough the people who have gotten involved to help. It is going to be a long time before people get their lives back together."

The coalition has been working closely with commonwealth leaders; its honorary chair is

former Puerto Rico Senate President Kenneth McClintock. At today's event was McClintock's son, Kevin McClintock, who brought words of appreciation.

McClintock said many grateful Americans in the commonwealth have been closely watching the New Jersey fund and calling it "an inspiration." He said he is "proud that so many Puerto Rican leaders in New Jersey care about the Puerto Rican community on the island."

"When the Puerto Rican com-

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Memorial Scholarship Concert for Perth Amboy's Own Richard Johnson

Press Release

PERTH AMBOY - The inaugural Richard Johnson Memorial Scholarship Concert, featuring former students and staff members, will be at 7 p.m. Oct. 13 at Cathedral International, 277 Madison Ave., Perth Amboy. Johnson, 69, a beloved Perth Amboy High School music teacher before retiring after 39 years of service, died June 8, 2017. He had served as president of the Perth Amboy American Federation of Teachers and was awarded Teacher of the Year honors. He was known for directing the National Renown Award Winning Perth Amboy High School Choir for many years. They even performed at Carnegie Hall in New York. Yearly, Mr. Johnson and students traveled to Myrtle Beach, SC for award winning performances.

and his motto was "once you believe, you can achieve"! He served as a "father figure" to many students. He joined the-Historic Second Baptist Church and after Bishop Donald Hilliard, Jr. became pastor, Mr. Johnson became a vital part of the music ministry. He served faithfully with other music directors. The church, now known as Cathedral International, has grown immensely in membership and ministry. Johnson served as the director of The Cathedral International

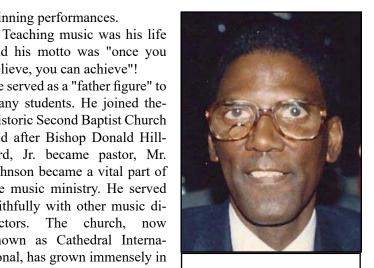
All contributions will go toward the Deacon Richard John-

Choir, the Gospel Chorus and

the Youth Choir. He was also

ordained as a deacon by Bishop

Hilliard along with his wife,



Richard Johnson

son Scholarship for Perth Amboy High School or Cathedral International students majoring

The concert is free to attend and everyone is invited.

"Puerto Rico Hurricane Relief"

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Check to American Red Cross *Photo Submitted

munity bans together, there is nothing that we can't accomplish," McClintock said. "It is up to all of us in the diaspora to force Congress to act. Congress has committed to \$13 billion in aid. But there is \$100 billion in damage. We need a lot more help."

The relief fund, a non-profit, charitable entity with a 501c3 pending, is a one-stop source for people to donate directly to island-based charities. The fund is transparent and focused on delivering immediate, targeted

Fund organizers say cash do-

nations are encouraged, as opposed to in-kind donations that require sorting, boxing and logistical expense. Cash donations allow reputable organizations, such as the New Jersey for Puerto Rico Hurricane Relief, to strategically support professional disaster relief agen-

To learn more about the relief fund, as well as the board members involved, please visit nj4pr. org. Donations are now being accepted through the site. Supporters can also call 1-833-NJ-HELPS.

Celebrating 113 Years of Worship in Perth Amboy "And the Legacy continues..." at Cathedral International formally The Second Baptist Church

Press Release

PERTH AMBOY - In 1892, 35 African Americans started church services in the basement of the predominately white congregation at First Baptist Church in Perth Amboy. As history would have it, the founding group was forced to establish a separate church in a different location. Today that church is Cathedral International, formally the

Historic Second Baptist Church.

Over its 113 - year journey, 13 pastors have navigated the course of this Christian house of worship. In 1901, members moved to their first mission at 315 Front Street; 1904, they purchased a building on Gordon Street and officially dedi-

cated it as the Second Baptist Church; 1957, they purchased a red-brick church at 101 Broad St; 1990, the former Majestic Theater was purchased, renovated and in 1992 services began (277 Madison Avenue) where Cathedral International is located today.

Bishop Donald Hilliard, Jr., became the pastor, October 1983. Under his visionary leadership, unprecedented growth occurred in this multimulticultural generational, church which now serves the communities of Perth Amboy, Asbury Park, and Plainfield.

In April of this year, the church celebrated 25 years of worshipping in The Cathedral.

"Serving the needs of the congregation and the community was the focus of this great church in its inception," said Bishop Hilliard. "113 years later with needs and challenges being much greater, we forge forward with the help of Almighty God, to continue that same focus of serving people."

On Sunday, October 15, 2017, everyone is invited to the 113thAnniversary services in both Worship services at 6:30am and 9:30am located at 277 Madison Avenue, Perth Amboy, NJ. 08661.

A detailed review of the church history, its mission and ministries are available at www.cathedralinternational.

Railing Collapses on Balcony Causing Two Boys to Fall 10/5/17 *Photos by Paul W. Wang





PERTH AMBOY – On Thursday, October 5, 2017 two young boys fell from a balcony on Brighton Avenue when the railing collapsed. Dariel Sosa, age 9 died and Sosa's cousin, Jason Huerta, age 13 was airlifted to Robert Wood Hospital and is in serious condition. Grief Counselors were dispatched to schools on Friday, October 6, 2017. Mayor Diaz issued the following statement: "On behalf of the City of Perth Amboy, I want to extend my sincerest condolences to the family, their loved ones, and classmates. Our Perth Amboy Chaplains were with the families yesterday evening to offer grief counseling. We ask our community to join in prayer and good faith, as they mourn the loss of their 9-year old son."

A GoFundMe account has been arranged by the family. Above: Photo#1: The railing that collapsed on the Brighton Avenue house. Photo #2 A memorial erected for Dariel Sosa.

Beautiful Beginnings: Accelerated CB **Prep Class**

PERTH AMBOY - Hackensack Meridian Health Raritan Bay Medical Center, is providing a free Beautiful Beginnings: Accelerated CB Prep class, Wednesday, October 25, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Raritan Bay Area YMCA, 357 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy, NJ. A certified Child Birth Educator/registered nurse with special training in labor, delivery and infant care will facilitate the class. The class is intended for those who already have children and need a refresher or for those with limited time. Registration required, call 1-800-DOCTORS (1-800-362-8677) and reference zip code 08861.

Autumn Breakfast Buffet

PERTH AMBOY - The Holy Name Society will sponsor an all-you-can eat breakfast buffet on Sunday, Nov. 5, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Assumption Catholic School cafeteria, 380 Meredith St., Perth Amboy, NJ. The menu includes eggs, pancakes and waffles made to order, bacon, sausage, hash browns, egg soufflé, fruits, juice and coffee or tea, and more. Tickets are available by calling Charlie Boyko at 732-254-3966. Adults: \$10 pp.; teens 12-17: \$5 pp.; children under 12: free.

Save the Date

PERTH AMBOY - Sunday, Oct. 29th - 4 p.m. Hurricane Relief Benefit Concert at Cathedral International, 272 Madison Ave., Pert Amboy. Our Concert Hosts: Toya Beasley and Bishop George Sea.

Pancake BreakfastSOUTH AMBOY – The South

Amboy Elks 784 will be having a pancake breakfast on Sunday, October 22, 2017 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at 601 Washington Road, South Amboy. Cost \$8 pp; \$4 for children 7 years old and under. Included in a served buffet: pancakes, scrambled eggs, assorted breakfast meats, home fries, bagels, Danish, juice, coffee, and tea. For more information call: 732-727-7170.

70th Birthday Party for Class of '65, Barge, Perth Amboy 9/20/17 *Photos by Katherine Massopust



70 never looked so cool! PAHS Class of 1965 celebrated their 70th Birthdays at the Barge Restaurant, 201 Front St., Perth Amboy

Indoor Flea Market & Yard Sale

PERTH AMBOY - Indoor Flea Market & Yard Sale on October 28, 2017 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (Rain or Shine) at the Hungarian Reformed Church Center, Corner of Kirkland Pl & Fayette St, Perth Amboy. Tables are 1 for \$20 or 2 for \$30. "Many tables with many treasures"- New and Used items!! Food Available. For more info call 732-257-7182 or call the church directly at 732-442-7799.

Friends of the Library Meeting

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

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.

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.

Fundraising Event

SOUTH AMBOY - This Year's Friends of South Amboy fundraising event will be held on Saturday, December 16th at South Amboy Middle High School. Proceeds from the event will go to the Midtbo family who have a five-yearold daughter battling leukemia. As in years past the event will feature local high school basketball games, as follows: 4:00 South Amboy Varsity Girls vs Calvary Christian 6:00 Bishop Ahr Boys Varsity vs Sayreville 8:00 South Amboy Boys Varsity vs Calvary Christian

Donations Wanted

SOUTH AMBOY - The Friends of South Amboy will be holding our annual fundraising event on Saturday, December 16th, at South Amboy Middle High School. The event will feature basketball games between several local high school girls and boys basketball teams. The proceeds from this year's event will benefit the Midtbo family who have a five-yearold daughter battling leukemia. The day of the event we will be having a Tricky Tray and are asking for donations of baskets that can be part of the auction. If you would like to support this worthy cause, and can donate a basket for our event, please contact Janet Kern at 732-824-3494.

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.

Roberto Clemente Gala

PERTH AMBOY - Warm greetings PRAHD supporters! As we gear up for this year's 31st Annual Roberto Clemente Gala, we'll begin sending reminders about our spectacular event! Hope to see you all on October 20, 2017!

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, October 13, 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., at 530 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy, NJ. 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

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PERTH AMBOY - Students at Assumption Catholic School collected items for the Raymour & Flanigan Dominica Relief Drive





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Mikell's Plot Performs at the Starland **Ballroom 9/30/17** *Photos by Rikki B.



Proprietary House Tours 10/3/17 *Photos Submitted





PERTH AMBOY - John Kerry Dyke & Anton Massopust III drill the troops during history tours at the Proprietary House. These tours were given to 300 McGinnis School 5th graders learning about Perth Amboy's rich history. On behalf of the 1683 Society Inc., Mr. Dyke & Mr. Massopust will also be conducting free history tours via hayrides on Saturday afternoon October 14th in Bayview Park for the forthcoming Harvest Festival. All are invited to attend.

Story Time Returns to the Perth Amboy Free Public Library!

Press Release

son St.

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, Thursday, October 19th Tuesday, November 7th, Thursday, November 9th Story Time is at 1:00 p.m. at the Children's Library, 196 Jeffer-

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.

Come Paint with Us

SAYREVILLE - The First Presbyterian Church of Sayreville will be having a Painting Fundraiser on November 18th, 2017. All supplies will be provided and there will be Coffee and Cake beforehand. The Coffee Hour will be from 5-6pm with painting beginning at 6 p.m. sharp. Tickets are \$40 each, again with everything needed supplied. The event will be held at the First Presbyterian Church, 172 Main Street, Sayreville (across from the Borough Hall). For more information please call 732-257-6353 or email MNZ1924@aol. com. You may register online at www.artist-people.com by clicking Calendar then November 18 and entering Event Phrase: Nicole. Space is limited for please register early.

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 for Adults; \$30pp for Children ages 12 yrs and younger; Free for Children under age 2. 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 Lilv: 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.

Newborn Care Class

PERTH AMBOY - Hackensack Meridian Health Raritan Bay Medical Center, is providing a Newborn Care Class Wednesday, October 18, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Raritan Bay Area YMCA, 357 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy, NJ. Diapering, feeding, and sleeping will be taught by a Certified Child Birth Educator. Cost is \$50 per couple. Make checks payable to RBMC. Registration required, call 1.800.DOCTORS (1.800.362.8677) and reference zip code 08861.

Can Sleeping Issues Affect Your Heart?

OLD BRIDGE - The Center for Sleep Medicine at Hackensack Meridian Health Raritan Bay Medical Center-Old Bridge is holding a free education session Can Sleeping Issues Affect Your Heart Thursday, October 26, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Joslin Diabetes Center, Affiliate at Raritan Bay, Suite 420, 2 Hospital Plaza, Old Bridge, NJ. Join Andrew Freedman, M.D., as he discusses how snoring and other sleeping issues may be affecting your heart. Registration required, call 1-800-DOC-TORS (1-800-362-8677) or HackensackMeridian-Health.org/Events.

New Jersey Cemeteries and **Tombstones:** History in the Landscape

WOODBRIDGE - As Halloween approaches, the Woodbridge Historical Association monthly meeting on Monday, October 23, will focus on New Jersey Cemeteries and Tombstones presented by Mark Nonesteid of the Middlesex County Office of Culture and Heritage. His discussion describes the cultural history of New Jersey's historic cemeteries and burial grounds from the 17th century to the dawn of the 21st century. This presentation provides an understanding of the State's historical burial places and the wide variety of gravemarkers they contain. Mr. Nonesteid coauthored New Jersey Cemeteries and Tombstones: History in the Landscape which was the recipient of the 2010 New Jersey Studies Academic Alliance Award, non- fiction scholarly

On October 23, the meeting will be held at the Woodbridge Public Library Downstairs Meeting Room at 7pm. The Woodbridge Public Library is on Amboy Avenue and George Fredericks Plaza.

Tricky Tray

WOODBRIDGE - The Catholic Daughters of the Americas #769 Annual Tricky Tray Charity Fundraiser will be on Saturday, October 21th, 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

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.

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

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Ghosts of the Proprietary House

PERTH AMBOY – The Proprietary House will present "Ghosts of Proprietary House, a Haunted History Tour" on Friday and Saturday, October 13th and 14th. There will be two tours each evening, starting at 7:00 PM and 8:30 PM on both days.

Take a frightening journey through centuries of history with some ghoulish former residents leading you through the former royal governor's mansion. Featured on the eerie tour will be: the colonial brick wine cellar that also served as a dungeon during the Revolution; the haunted staircase that some say was the scene of a murder; and the dining room corner where the eccentric spirit of a former occupant may still reside. Along the way, who knows what scary spirits your presence may disturb?

Admission is \$15 per person (\$10 for Members). All funds raised will benefit ongoing restoration and operation of Proprietary House's Museum.

For information and to reserve tickets, contact: PRO-PRIETARY HOUSE ASSOCIATION. Phone: (732) 826-5527. E-mail: info@the-proprietaryhouse.org. Address: 149 Kearny Avenue, Perth Amboy, NJ, 08861.



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 française 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.

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.

The Red Army on October 9, 1942, ends its system of dual leadership in its armed forces. It abolishes the position of the Communist political commissar in favor of a single military commander in its various units. The Second Battle of the Matanikau (River) on Guadalcanal ends in an American victory.

The Battle of Cape Esperance, Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, takes place on October 10. U.S. Navy ships, with the help of radar, intercept a Japanese fleet on its way to reinforce troops on Guadalcanal. In the Mediterranean, German and Italian bombers begin a 10-day series of raids on the island of Malta. A Soviet offensive begun in the summer and aimed at breaking the siege of Leningrad (first besieged in the summer of 1941) ends indecisively. In Washington, representatives of Argentina and Chile protest remarks by U.S. Under-Secretary of State Sumner Welles about Axis agents operating in those countries.

The Battle of Cape Esperance, at Guadalcanal, concludes on October 11 with the sinking of the heavy cruiser *Furutaka* and the destroyer *Fubuki*, the damaging of several other destroyers, and the withdrawal of the Japanese fleet; no reinforcement troops are landed. In Europe, the *Luftwaffe* launches its first night raid against England. The raids continue for 15 nights.

The destroyer *USS Duncan* sinks on October 12 due to damage incurred during the Battle of Cape Esperance, but two Japanese destroyers are bombed and sunk by aircraft from Henderson Field on Guadalcanal. In Washington, U.S. Attorney General Francis Biddle announces that 600,000 Italians living in the U.S. will no longer be regarded as enemy aliens.

The Soviets regain some ground in Stalingrad on October 13, but at a heavy cost. Two Japanese battleships bombard U.S. Marine positions on Guadalcanal for some 90 minutes, killing 41 Marines, causing heavy damage and leaving only 42 planes airworthy.

In the northern part of Stalingrad on October 14, five divisions and 300 Panzer tanks of the German Sixth Army advance in bitter fighting and surround the heavily defended tractor factory following a series of devastating attacks (over 3,000 sorties) by bombers of the *Luftwaffe*. In Canada, the passenger ferry *SS Caribou*, traversing the Cabot Strait between Newfoundland and Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia, is torpedoed and sunk by German submarine U-69. 137 of the 252 people aboard the ferry perish.

On October 15, 4,500 Japanese reinforcements land on Guadalcanal as the fighting on the island continues. Offshore, the Japanese heavy cruisers *Kinugasa* and *Chokai* bombard the island to cover the movement of the Japanese landing ships. The American destroyer *USS Meredith* is sunk off Guadalcanal by 14 bombs and seven torpedoes dropped by Japanese aircraft. Only 81 of her complement of 273 survive. In Europe, the Ukrainian Insurgent Army begins operations. A nationalist organization, it engages in guerrilla actions against the Germans, the Soviets and the Czechs.

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).

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.

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, Nov. 2, 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.

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.

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.

Book Sale

PERTH AMBOY - Pick up a book or two (\$.50 for paper-backs/\$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 friendsofperthamboylibrary@gmail.com Book Dealers are welcome. !!!!

Have a Special Pet?

E-mail us your Pet Photos to Amboy-Guardian@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.

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.

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 October 30th thru November 2nd, to (732) 826-7067 from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Orders may be picked up on November 7th & 8th after 2:30 p.m. (no earlier) at 404 Division Street, Perth Amboy, NJ.

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.

Pet of the Week



Karma is 12 years old, a sweet girl who needs a home. Spayed and fully vetted. For more info go to www.allforthepaws.org

Take Care of Your Health

OLD BRIDGE - Hackensack Meridian Health Raritan Bay Medical Center is holding a Take Care of Your Health session Saturday, October 14, 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., in Suite 404, 3 Hospital Plaza, Old Bridge, NJ. Learn practical skills and strategies for managing symptoms, working with health care professionals, setting weekly goals, problem solving, eating well and exercising. Six-week program. Registration required, call 1-800-DOCTORS (1-800-362-8677) or visit Hackensack-MeridianHealth.org/Events.



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.

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.

Free Medicare Workshop

Press Release 9/30/17 Woodbridge Township - On Wednesday, October 25 at 6:30 PM, the Woodbridge Main Library will welcome Justin Lubenow and Michael Salum of Senior Advisors. At this workshop you will learn:

What's Changed in 2018? 5 Biggest Mistakes Made by Most Medicare Beneficiaries. Medicare Original versus Medicare Advantage Plans. How do Medicare Supplement Policies Work? How do Medicare Prescription Drug programs work? When must you sign-up for Medicare to avoid late enrollment penalties and coverage gaps?

Senior Advisors is family owned and operated since 2009. They have over 20,000 Medicare Clients across 22 different states. Their top priority at Senior Advisors is to reduce stress for Medicare beneficiaries, by providing education, an overview of the choices available, and making recommendations for reach individual's coverage.

This program is free and open to all. Registration is required. Please call 732-634-4450 to register or register online @ http://woodbridgelibrary. evanced.info/signup/

The Woodbridge Main Library is located at 1 George Frederick Plaza, Woodbridge.

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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.

sey:

stuffed cannoli

topped with fresh croutons and fried beets

3rd course: Poached black bass 4th course: Steak diane with a potato gratin

with vanilla crème anglaise

Vegetarian option is available prior to event

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.

LOOKING BACK



PERTH AMBOY - McCrory's, Smith Street, before Halloween. 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.

Senior Scene

The menu will be prepared by the Les Marmitons of New Jer-

1st course: Smoked salmon

2nd course: Cauliflower soup

5th course: Chocolate orbit cake

upon request by phone or email

All proceeds will go towards

Remember to Say Your Novenas!

Happenings

Perth Amboy

TUES. Oct. 10 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. 11 Good Shepherd Wednesday Seniors, 12:30 p.m., THURS. Oct. 12 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m.,

> Family Life Center, Madison Ave. Ukrainian Assumption Seniors, 12 Noon

Church Basement, Alta Vista Pl.

MON. Oct. 16 St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.

TUES. Oct. 17 Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.

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Msgr. Gambino Hall, Florida Grove Rd. Holy Trinity Seniors, 1 p.m.,

Church Hall, Lawrie & Johnstone St.

WED. Oct. 18 Good Shepherd Wednesday Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Msgr. Gambino Hall, Florida Grove Rd.

THURS. Oct. 19 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.

South Amboy

WED. Oct. 11 South Amboy Seniors, 12 Noon,

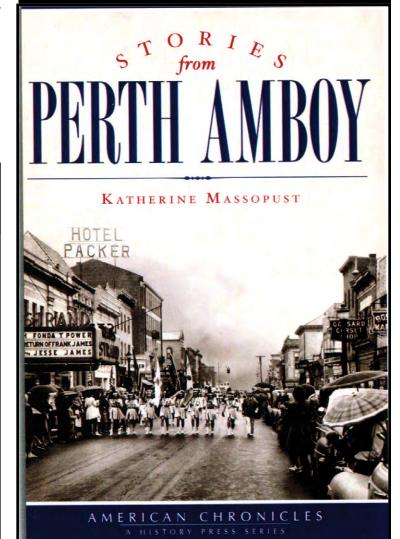
Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.

MON. Oct. 23 Sacred Heart Seniors, 12 Noon

Memorial Hall, Wash Ave.

MON. Nov. 6 St. Mary's Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.

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Stories From Perth Amboy

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- 20 Moved upward
- 22 Bread units 25 Caustic
- cleanser
- 26 Bancroft and Baxter
- 27 Detest
- 31 Natalie Cole's father
- 32 Chinese chairman
- 33 Pig's digs
- 34 Prepared for prayer
- 37 Appreciate highly
- 39 Opposite of
- 40 Police warnings
- 41 Chinese bells
- 44 Serve
- 45 Abel's mother
- 46. Comparative word
- 48 Native minerals

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- 54 Make angry 55 City trains
- 56 Like mature fruit
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