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The Continuance 10/23/17 Caucus

PERTH AMBOY – The continued investigation of the former B.A. Peter Pelissier’s salary was again a topic for discussion.

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez said, “I heard the case went from the Appellate to the Local and then the Superior Court.”

Law Director Peter King responded, “The Appellate Court’s decision said that they dismissed the case without prejudice. Also the appeal is dismissed.”

Council President William Petrick responded, “The Superior Court did not file a final decision.”

King replied, “This is a final decision by the court. Your (the Council’s) attorney will not appeal because he didn’t do what was required. You were not entitled to hire your own attorney. Pelissier was not named in the suit.”

Petrick then stated, “The Council had to do their own in-

vestigation without hiring an independent counselor.”

Councilman Fernando Irizarry then asked King, “What was the cost of this case so far?”

King responded, “About \$70,000.”

Councilman Irizarry responded, “We need to know why the court made this decision about the attorney we hired.”

King then suggested, “Each Council Member should call the attorney the you hired personally.”

Irizarry then said, “The attorney should be calling us.”

The Homeless Warming Center was discussed next. Law Director King said, “The Warming Center just had to meet the zoning and code requirements.”

YMCA President and CEO Steve Jobin and Pastor Bernadette Falcon-Lopez from God’s Army Ministry came up to speak.

Jobin spoke first, “The Y started a partnership with God’s Army Ministry. We are here to

try to solve a problem – not create one. We’re helping those who need different social services. People are living on the streets and in their cars. We provide a place to get them off the street. This is just another alternative place for them, besides the Y and Olive Street during the Code Blue/Red weather. We have to build trust with these people first and get them the benefits that they are eligible for.”

There was a question asked if there are satellite locations that also provide help for the homeless in the City.

Pastor Berny responded, “All services are not provided by the satellite locations.”

Jobin spoke again, “This center will be open 24/7.”

Paster Berny then continued, “We can assess their (the homeless) needs and we may have the application (for benefits they are eligible for) right a thte

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South Amboy Looking into Live Streaming 11/1/17 Council Meeting

By: Joseph L. Kuchie
SOUTH AMBOY - The city of South Amboy is taking the necessary steps to start live streaming city meetings online.

A “videography quote” was placed on last Wednesday’s business meeting agenda for the council to discuss. Alpha Dog, the company that administers the city’s website, will be conducting a three-month trial period in which they send someone to record meetings in South Amboy.

The company will charge the city \$475 per meeting plus a hosting fee of \$95 for three months during the test run. Councilwoman Zusette Dato asked Business Administrator Stacey Kennedy how the price compares to other towns, while Councilman Tom Reilly asked if the price would go down if the city locked in a long-term deal with the company.

“I can examine that. It is ex-

pensive...but if you think about it you have someone coming in and it’s professional quality, it’s captured, we can use it on the web page, we can archive them,” Kennedy said.

“That’s why we’re testing it,” she added. “We’re going to learn as we do it.”

“I think it’s a great service to the town,” Councilman Reilly said.

“It’s the transparency everyone is asking for,” City Clerk Laura Kemble-Kalantsis added.

If the test is successful the city will look to record council, planning board, and SARA meetings down the road. Kennedy also added that these recordings may be able to be run on South Amboy’s local television channels as well.

All council members we in attendance for the business meeting. The next city council meeting will be held on Monday, November 13 at 7:00 p.m.

Tsunami Swim Team Growing Strong



The 2017-2018 Tsunami Swim Team at the Perth Amboy YMCA

**Photo by Paul W. Wang*

By: Katherine Massopust
PERTH AMBOY – The Perth Amboy YMCA’s Tsunami Swim team has now grown to 60 swimmers (ages 6-18). The Amboy Guardian sat down with Coaches Darian Russell (Head Coach) and Meredith

Lyndon (Assistant Coach) of Perth Amboy YMCA’s Tsunami Swim Team to discuss the team’s evolution and progress. There are three other coaches: Paula Carpente, David Diez and Daniel O’Sullivan.

AG: *What motivated the Staff of*

the Perth Amboy YMCA to create a Swim Team?

ML: One of the past Aquatic Directors often talked about starting a swim team, so he decided to start one in 2012. The

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New Perth Amboy High School Schematics Presentation

11/2/17 Board of Education Meeting

By: Katherine Massopust
PERTH AMBOY - Mr. Sherman from the SDA (School Development Authority) gave a PowerPoint presentation on the schematic design documents of the new Perth Amboy High School to be built on Convery Boulevard at the old Delaney Homes Property.

The SDA had over 30 design review meetings with all interested parties. The design requirements are for a school that accommodates 2,800 students, organized by a Ninth Grade Academy for 750 students, a Grades 10-12 High School for 1,700 students and a Transition Academy for 350 students in grades 9-12. The Ninth Grade Academy will be highly autonomous, organized as around five academic teams of 150 stu-

dents each. Grade 10-12 High School will consist of 5 semiautonomous Academies of approximately 350 students each. The Transition Academy is a Ninth Grade highly autonomous school-within a school of teams of 115 students each.

The Shared Core Facilities include the Physical Education Facilities, Health Classrooms, World Language Classrooms, Media Center, Auditorium and Visual Performing Arts, Large Skills Labs and ROTC, Student Services (Including a Daycare Facility), and a Central Food Services/Building Management/Operations Offices.

Mr. Sherman then showed the schematic design of the new High School which will have 3

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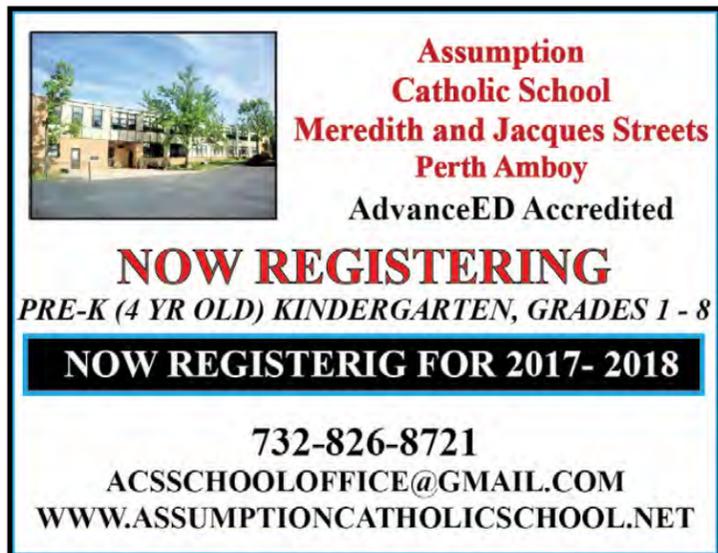
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The Continuance

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center.”

Jobin then further explained, “These people are transients. If they fill out forms in New Brunswick, they have no mailing address. The forms can be mailed to the Y where Pastor Berny has an office. There is an extensive intake (application) system. We have a lot of volunteers and equipment such as LED light fixtures that have been donated to us.”

Councilman Joel Pabon spoke up to thank Pastor Berny for all that she does. “If you were to get paid for all that you do, then you should be paid more than anybody that’s in this room. I heard you dig into your own pockets to help.”

Steve Jobin then mentioned people from City Departments who have helped out such as, “Tashi Vasquez, Kenny Ortiz, and Mayor Diaz. They got us together to address this issue, plus the Salvation Army is closing down their shelter altogether.”

Councilman Fernando Irizarry then questioned, “Why is this center called a case management service? Are any neighboring towns providing this service?”

Pastor Berny replied, “Catholic Charities, who I’ve worked with have provided similar case management centers. We all work together, but with all different agencies. We are not equal in the programs offered and some of these entities use grant monies with restrictions.”

Jobin then added, “Two cities are required by count to be Code Red/Blue municipalities. The requirements are you must have at least 10 documented homeless people.”

Irizarry then continued, “It doesn’t say you have to be a case management center (in the information that was given to the Council). Will you have certified people to deal with those who have mental illness problems and/or drug addicted?”

Pastor Berny responded, “We have professionals who come in and have this knowledge. We have been dealing with this kind of population since 2013. Some of the volunteers were once homeless themselves and in the same situation. If we feel we are in danger or something is out of control, we will notify the proper authorities.”

Irizarry then said, “I’m concerned this will affect the image of our City. This warming center is also in a school zone.”

Pastor Berny responded, “They already are here, in these same areas throughout the town. We are also talking about homeless families with children.”

Irizarry still had questions, “My concern is that it’s in a business district near a school and a church.”

Jobin then mentioned, “These

services have been held at churches. If there’s a better idea, I’d be open to it. It’s just building on additional services already provided.”

Irizarry then asked Jobin about money that the Y owes to the City, “How are you able to get this building?”

Jobin responded, “We (the YMCA) offered a settlement to the City that was tabled. These are two different issues (the Y’s agreement with the City vs. getting a mortgage on a building that is not tied to the City).”

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez then stated, “The City contributes \$30,000 to the Y yearly.”

Gonzalez also had kind words about Pastor Berny, “She has helped me numerous times when I’ve reached out to her to help people. Is Perth Amboy becoming the dumping ground for Middlesex County? We have all these different social services offices (drug clinics, probation offices, etc.) We need to take a survey on how many social services we have and invite the County in on these discussions.”

Jobin then told the Council, “We are going to a County Meeting on Wednesday morning (10/25/17).”

Councilman Helmin Caba added “I have also referred people to you (Pastor Berny) and I have the same concerns as the other Councilmen. We should not be providing homeless shelters, but I thank Pastor Berny for her work.”

The third topic for discussion included designating two Councilmen to discuss Sea Gate with Board Members for the Admiral and Bayview Condos. Councilman Fernando Gonzalez and Council President William Petrick were nominated.

The Fourth topic was a discussion regarding festivals.

Councilman Joel Pabon said, “I have talked to an organizer of one of the festivals that takes place during the summertime. The person I talked to said that they start setting up their sponsors in November and December for the following year. If you want to make any changes, let’s discuss it now.”

Council President Petrick said, “We have discussed moving the festivals to a bigger venue based on their size (the crowds they draw).”

Gonzalez then requested, “The Council needs to have a report on each festival after they end.”

Petrick responded, “We’ve got a report after the Dominican Festival was over.”

Gonzalez then stated, “I want to see if the ordinance was complied to.”

Pabon concluded the discussion, “We need to outline any suggestions on the ordinance.”

The fifth topic for discussion was designation by Rider from

the Bridge PILOT.

Fernando Gonzalez stood his ground, “The Rider should be for property tax relief. Too many homes are boarded up and foreclosed. As a realtor, a lot of people tell me they don’t want to see houses in Perth Amboy because the taxes are too high. Hopefully, this money will help people stay in this town.”

Councilman Irizarry countered this argument, “This is a negotiation and you can’t always get what you want. I would prefer to use all the money to pay off our debt.”

Gonzalez responded, “We can.”

Pabon then remarked, “I said from the beginning it should be for tax relief. If we can help a few people save their homes, I’m all for it.”

Petrick responded, “The City will always have debt.”

Helmin Caba said, “All debt is not bad. If you’re talking about saving hundreds on tax relief, I’m all for it.”

Topic number six dealt with Best Practices.

CFO Jill Goldy said, “There were 25 questions on the checklist. You must answer at least 21 as “yes” to prevent a loss in state aid. We answered “yes” on 23 questions. We adopted a new personnel manual which allowed us to get credit. We also need to make a note that we discussed this at this meeting (10/23/17 Caucus). We’ve been doing the Best Practices Checklist for 8 years.”

The seventh and final topic was an update on the Jankowski Center roof leak and building damage.

City Engineer Jeff Rauch came up to speak. He reported, “80% of the roof is done. On Columbus Day weekend, the roof was sealed up where there was a gap between the old and new roof. There was a leak that the contractor cleaned up. Also, the same weekend a fire alarm went off in the Center, but there was no fire. I may not be able to answer all your questions because I just found out today that this item was going to be on the agenda. The deck is steel and it’s a foam board installation. There was a significant water damage at Olive Street from the leaks which included tiles in the Vital Statistics Office. The City cleaned it up and back-charged the contractor. The roof is completed and sealed, except for the metal trim. We assessed the cost to the City to submit to the contractor’s insurance company. No asbestos or mold was found. There’s no damage to the computer or electronic system. We took many pictures and all the damage has been well documented.”

Petrick stated, “Our (the City’s) insurance adjustor should have been there to see the initial damage.”



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LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

EDITORIAL

Our Thoughts on Continuous Events



Again, unfortunately we have to extend condolences to the families of those who lost their lives and the injured who were the victims of the terrorist attack in New York and on the church shooting in Sutherland Springs, Texas.

We believe people those in the world of sports, (whether it be professional or amateur) are somewhat confused when it comes to taking a knee when the American Flag is displayed during the National Anthem. What is courageous about that? You're not really showing solidarity for someone that you feel is being wronged by the justice system. Really? How is that helping them You're playing it safe because you know the flag cannot magically dispense dogs that will attack you, or someone with a baton beating you or hosing you down. It cannot dispense a gun or any other kind of weapon to harm you. That's already been done by those courageous civil rights leaders, individuals, and organizations both known and unknown that sacrificed their lives, their safety, and their families so you wouldn't have to.

You know that saying, if people could see what's happening now - they would be turning over in their graves. I wouldn't be surprised if one day those people would rise from their graves after seeing what is going on today. If you are serious about what you feel are unjust treatments of certain ethnic groups, why are you not holding the people who can do something such as lawmakers and elected officials locally, state, and federal accountable? - Especially if you have the same people running the show year in and year out. (Hint: that's how Donald Trump got in)



Here is my suggestion: You should wear either a pin, bracelet, necklace, or some other symbol of the American Flag, and when you speak to those in authority, say to them: "Why are you not heeding the words that the American Flag stands for?"

Before we go onto the controversy to the 4th stanza of the National Anthem which references slavery - that's why that verse was eliminated.

I also want to go into another controversial subject: there isn't really a reason for anybody to be guilty for who they are. Just because you of a certain race does not mean you are automatically privileged. Why don't you talk about the poverty rate and the ethnic makeup of the Appalachian Region? Look it up.

God created all races. My father never went to high school because he had to help out in the family farm down in Georgia. After moving to New Jersey and serving in the army in World War II he was able to run three successful businesses. My mother was right along with him and they worked as a team to make this happen while raising ten of us.

Don't ever apologize for the race you were born into or have someone guilt you into it. As long as you contribute to society and treat others, especially those closest to you with dignity and respect, it will come back to you.

Let's not forget that Veterans Day is coming up on Saturday, November 11, 2017. If you see a Veteran, thank them for their service, because in essence they served you. **C.M. & K.M.**

P.S. Remember to vote. Is it more important to vote the party line or bottom line?

THE COMMUNITY VOICE

Hillary Clinton: The Mastermind

I guess it's over for Hillary Clinton and her evil mastermind games. A woman named Donna Brazile ratted out Hillary. Donna Brazile was a player for the Democratic Committee and sold out to Hillary because the Democratic Party was broke BIG TIME! Hillary gave

the DNC some cold cash to control the operation. Hillary ran the whole operation, and controlled the players and even the news media to put Bernie Sanders under the bus and try to wipe out Trump's campaign for the Presidency. This goes to show you how dirty politics can be and how the Democratic National Committee plays hardball for pay to play.

Hollywood went along with Hillary on this evil game. But, wait until the truth will come

out on all those players. We want to know WHY the FBI and the U.S. Department of Justice was hiding this and how Hillary BROKE THE LAW. Yes, there's more to come on this and all this talk about the RUSSIANS did it. All I can say is what happened to America and someday the American flag will be hanging upside down on the pole

Orlando "Wildman" Perez

Gun Control is Much

Simpler to Say

Guns have not changed since they were invented. Sure, designs have changed and improvements made, but basically, you squeeze the trigger they go bang, you don't squeeze the trigger they do nothing.

No, guns haven't changed, people have.

Every time there is a shooting like the one in Las Vegas or in the church shooting in Texas, the anti-gunners come out in force screaming for "gun control". The media is all over it and politicians get on their "high horses" screaming for "gun control", although, there wasn't the same outcry from the left about the church shooting in Tennessee just a week before Las Vegas, I wonder why that is? Maybe he didn't kill enough people, or was it something else? But that's an

other matter.

There is always the outcry from the "Left" for gun control. I guess because it's much simpler to say than;

How can we reverse the moral decay in this society that has resulted from decades of liberal policies that have contributed to these tragedies?

Policies that have cheapened life to the point that someone can throw a new born baby in the garbage without a second thought.

Policies that afford criminals more rights than their victims.

Policies that allow liberal judges to dole out light sentences to people who run illegal guns, (I wonder how many criminals would deal in illegal gun trafficking if they knew it would mean life without parole if convicted).

Policies that vilify religion, (which teaches right from wrong and "Thou shalt not kill"), at every turn, yet glorifies music that promotes the abuse of women and murder of police

officers, then wrap themselves in the cloak of the first amendment as some sort of justification for this garbage.

Policies that took the right of parents to discipline their children away, and instead, pump them full of drugs and send them to counselors who need counseling themselves.

Policies that teach these same children that there are no consequences for bad behavior or performance. How exactly does one know when a baseball game is over when there is no score or innings?

Policies that have led to our children to believe that if you cry, scream, and yell long enough and loud enough, you will eventually get your way.

Policies that pervert the rights afforded to the American people to the point of absurdity.

No, that's too many words for the well-educated left wing electorate to say. After all, "gun control" is only two words.

Joe Bayona

What Do You Think? Send Us a Response!

Alzheimer's 101

SOUTH AMBOY – Program is on Thursday, November 30, 2017 from 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. at the Sadie Pope Dowdell Library, (located off John T. O'Leary Blvd., adjacent to South Amboy High School) 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy.

This program provides a comprehensive overview for anyone wants to learn about memory loss. Alzheimer's disease, and other forms of dementia. Information about risk factors and warning signs, steps to obtaining a diagnosis, and treatment options are discussed. Planning for the future, coping with behavioral and other changes, and accessing community resources are also reviewed.

There is no fee for attending this program, however pre-registration is required. You can register online at alznj.org or call Alzheimer's New Jersey: 888-280-6055.

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floors.

Sherman then stated that the next steps in the process is NJDOE Schematic Submission, District Schematic Design Approval, NJDOE Schematic Approval, Office of State Controller Submission, Complete Bridging Documents, Design Build Procurement, Design Build Phase, and School Occupancy.

Mr. Sherman stated that the SDA is looking for Board approval of the schematics. The goal for the new PAHS to open its doors is for 2022 occupancy.

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Community Calendar

Perth Amboy	
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THURS. Nov. 9	BID, 4 p.m. City Hall, High St.
TUES. Nov. 14	Library Board of Trustees, 5 p.m. Library, Jefferson St.
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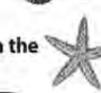
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Tsunami Swim Team

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Team started with 11 kids in the first year (it was still unofficial). We had a 5-year plan. Now (in its 5th year) we have 60 swimmers from ages 6 to 17. Some of the kids also swim on the PAHS Swim Team.

DR: Just look at this facility. How could you not have a swim team here?

AG: 60 kids – are you accepting any more this year?

ML: Sure.

AG: How many of the team members live in Perth Amboy?

DR: At least 90% of the swimmers are from Perth Amboy. There's 1 from Sayreville, and a couple from Edison and Woodbridge.

AG: Can you emphasize enough the importance of learning how to swim?

ML: You can't emphasize it enough. You live in a community surrounded by water. So many kids can't swim. 70% of the Earth is covered by water. It is so important to learn how to swim. It's good to learn so you don't have fear of the water.

AG: What is the easiest and what is the most difficult stroke for most kids to learn?

DR: Freestyle and Backstroke are the easiest. Breaststroke is the hardest. You need to know all 4 strokes (Butterfly, Backstroke, Breaststroke, and Freestyle) to be on the swim team. We teach the kids how to do the strokes legally and work from there. They have to get a feel for it.

AG: What are the requirements to be on the Tsunami Swim Team?

DR: A kid needs to swim one lap freestyle and one lap backstroke without stopping (and be a member of the Y). Some of the kids that come out are afraid of the water. It takes a while to get that fear out of their head, first.

ML: Swimming is a lifetime sport.

AG: Are there any swimmers that stand out?

DR: There's a couple of swimmers that really have potential. Alicja Sowa, Aaron Lucena, Dalisha Romero, Kaleb Mendez, Emily Leon, and Melanie Carvalho all stand out. You know when someone has great drive. Our goal is to get College Scholarships for the kids that qualify.

AG: What are your future goals for the team?

DR: We would like to get all the swimmers to reach Silver Status. There are bronze championships, silver championships and state championships for the YMCA League. All kids are eligible for college scholarships with lots of hard work and dedication.

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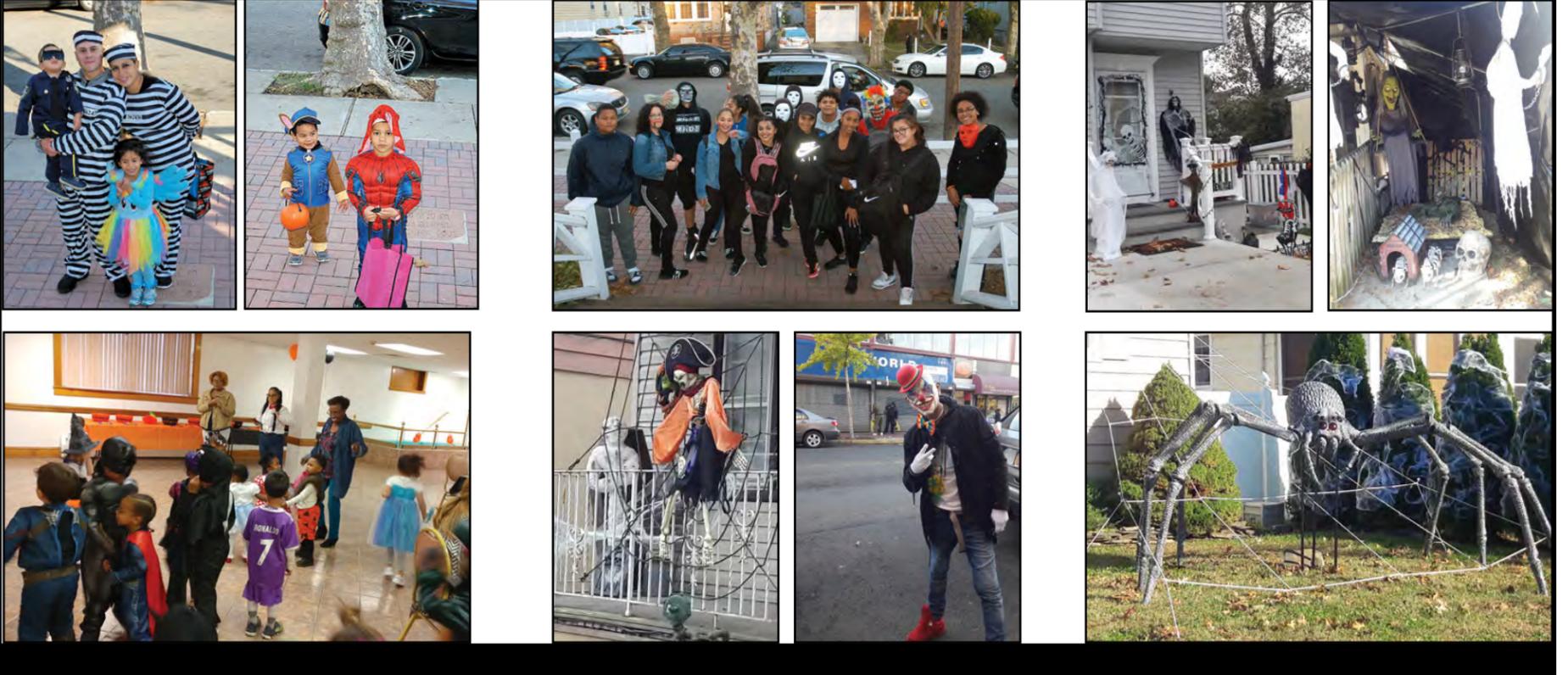
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Tsunami Swim Team

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AG: *What other activities do the swimmers do?*

DR: They have a dry land workout which includes calisthenics. ML: They swim from 500 yards to 1000 yards on a lower level and 2500 yards to 3000 yards on higher level. They do drills and stroke development. We practice doing surface dives (off the starting block) every day.

AG: *How do the team members get along?*

ML: There's terrific camaraderie. This fall, the parents got together for pumpkin picking. They held a party for the team members. There's more than just swimming. The kids get along.

DR: It's a family atmosphere. Parents volunteer their time.

ML: Practice is 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., 4 days a weeks.

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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-year-old 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.

As in years past the event will feature local high school basketball games, as follows:
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SEWAREN – Featuring Elizabeth and Kara. Children ages: 3-7 years old & their accompanying adult can enjoy, story, fun, snack & more on the first and third Saturday of every month. The first Storytime this fall begins on: November 4th from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sign up is required for each month. Stop by or call the library at 732-634-7571 at Sewaren Free Public Library, 456 West Ave., Sewaren, NJ. This free event & all Sewaren Library activities & usage is open to families of all towns, not just Sewaren.



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.

Turkey Giveaway

PERTH AMBOY – Please join us in celebrating Edison Jaquez's 4th Annual: Show Gratitude Turkey Giveaway on Friday, November 17, 2017 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Al Jankowski Community Center, 1 Olive Street, Perth Amboy, NJ. To Donate: email: Edisonjaquez@gmail.com or Register to receive a turkey and canned goods by emailing: Yvonneperez1229@gmail.com.

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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Movie Review: Thor Ragnarok

By: Anton Massopust III

“What were you the god of again?” - Hela

“I am the god of thunder!”
-Thor

The latest new Marvel movie: Thor Ragnarok is an epic ride. Thor (Chris Hemsworth) is searching for his father, Odin (Anthony Hopkins). After Thor discovers that Loki (Tim Hiddleston) secretly has been taking his place as King of Asgard. Doctor Strange (Benedict Cumberbatch) locates Odin and transports Loki and Thor to where he is. But a new threat is looming. Hela (Cate Blanchett), the Goddess of Death is Odin's first born and is now unleashed. She wants to rule or destroy Asgard. She will stand at nothing to conquer Asgard and the nine realms and everything else

that stands in her way. She destroys Thor's all-powerful enchanted hammer. Thor is sent to the Planet Sakaar who is ruled by the Grandmaster (Jeff Goldblum). The only way off Sakaar is to defeat his grand champion, the Hulk (Mark Ruffalo) and the contest of Champions is Avenger versus Avenger. Thor takes on the all-powerful Hulk in a great fight as the two Avengers eventually come back together and make a deal with Loki and a disgraced Valkyrie (Tessa Thompson) who just wants to forget her past but eventually all three Heroes side together and put everything aside to create a revolution and overthrow The Grandmaster and make their way back to Asgard. Hela is about to make her final move.

The heroes are trying to prevent Ragnarok (the end of all things) but it may be their only chance for survival.

This new Marvel movie has a lot of 70s vibe to it. The film even uses music from Led Zepelin. You really feel like you're on another world. The special effects and painted backgrounds look like something you've never seen before. There are moments of great drama as well as great comedy and it is action packed front to back. There's smaller stories between Thor Hulk and Loki.

Skurge the Executioner (Karl Urban) is barely recognizable from any of the other characters he played.

This is probably one of the best of the Thor movies made to date. It's big bright colors



help give deep emotional characters. The movie is long, but moves very quickly. It's a lot to take in, so you may have to see it twice, so you can catch everything.

Take the kids with no problem. There's plenty to interest

anyone. You could see this movie without seeing the other ones. The story is simple. Although a sequel, it's sort of its own movie onto itself. Thor Ragnarok is worth seeing. It rocks.



Veterans Day Ceremony

SOUTH AMBOY - Please join us as we honor our Veterans at a Memorial Service near the front steps of City Hall at 11 a.m. on Saturday, November 11, 2017.

Hungarian Nut Roll Sale

WOODBIDGE - The Calvin Hungarian Reformed Church, Woodbridge is having a nut roll sale. Available in: English Walnut, Poppy Seed, Prune-Lekvar, Apricot and Raspberry. Each Cake weighs 1 lb.8 oz. Price: \$16.00 each. Deadline to order: Sunday, Nov. 26, 2017. Pick-up on Friday, Dec. 15, 2017 between 12 noon - 4 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall of the Church. Please use Ross Street Entrance. All orders must be paid in full upon ordering. Please call Florette Pastor: 732-636-2868.

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Parent Portal, Toy Drive, School Security, Seaman Avenue School 11/2/17 Board of Education Meeting

By: Katherine Massopust

PERTH AMBOY – The second presentation at the 11/2/17 Board of Education Meeting was on Parent Portal. Parent Portal can be accessed on your home computer. To set up the APP on your desktop, contact a Home-School Liaison. Contact numbers are on www.paps.net. If you have multiple children, you can view each child through the program. Contact a Home-School Liaison for more information.

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Vivian Rodriguez who helped give the presentation stated, “Parent Portal is also available in Spanish. It's just the beginning of things to come.”

Student Representative Nata-

lie Duniak gave her report. Natalie stated that for the first time in 4 years, students were allowed to come in costume (with some restrictions) on Halloween. Students also will be having a toy drive for the David's Touch Foundation.

No one spoke on public comments for agenda items only.

Board President Ken Puccio gave his report. He recognized all the people who run the district and are keeping it moving forward.

Superintendent Dr. David Roman commended the Police. “Procedures are in place and we are as prepared as possible (in case of an incident).

Dr. David Roman presented Former Board Member Jose

Rodriguez with a plaque recognizing his service from January 2015 to October 2017. Rodriguez, who now lives in Puerto Rico was not present to accept the plaque. Board President Ken Puccio accepted it in his absence.

Board President Ken Puccio stated there will be a committee of interested parties to name the Seaman Avenue Elementary School, which is presently under construction. Board Member Anton J. Massopust stated that to be on the committee, you must be a Perth Amboy Resident.

“We're looking for input from the whole community,” Puccio added.

Board Member Tashi Vasquez

stated she would widely circulate this request throughout the community.

Board President Puccio stated, “We will put a deadline of December 7, 2017 (the date of the next BOE Meeting) to set up this committee.

Board Member Randy Convery thanked the administration for putting together the Newsletter (which was available to the public at the Board Meeting). “It's a good read.”

During the Public Portion, the sole speaker was Mr. Measy. He stated that he likes the mural in City Hall Council Chambers, and it reminded him of his relatives who served in the military during World War II.



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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.

Author Visit
 PERTH AMBOY – Perth Amboy born Author Donald J. Gavron will be speaking at the Kearnly Cottage, 63 Catalpa Ave., Perth Amboy on Sunday, November 19th at 2 p.m. Gavron is the author of Glacier: A Tale of Rock 'n Roll Horror, War Wolves and Other Tales of Terror and Dead Words and More Weird Stories. Light Refreshments.

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Friends of the Library Meeting
 PERTH AMBOY - The Friends of Perth Amboy Free Public Library Meeting will be Tuesday, Nov. 28 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.

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All attendees will receive complimentary brochures. This presentation is free and open to all. No registration is required. Kenneth A. Vercammen is an Edison, Middlesex County, NJ trial attorney who has published 125 articles in national and New Jersey publications on business and litigation topics. He is the author of Wills and Estate Administration by the ABA (American Bar Association). He often lectures to trial lawyers of the ABA, New Jersey State Bar Association and Middlesex County Bar Association. Learn more about him @ <http://njlaws.com/index.asp>

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.*

Halted before Ordzhonikidse, in the Caucasus, on November 6, 1942, the German 13th Panzer Division is fighting to prevent being cut off by superior Soviet forces attacking its flanks and rear. In a speech to the Congress of Soviet Deputies in Moscow, Joseph Stalin warns the United States and Great Britain that "the absence of a second front against Fascist Germany may end badly for all freedom-loving countries, including the Allies themselves." He declares that "the aim of the coalition is to save mankind from reversion to savagery and medieval brutality."

On Papua-New Guinea, the Australian 25th Brigade on November 7 flanks Japanese defenders on the Kokoda track, creating mayhem on their line. From Toulon, France, Gen. Henri Giraud — who had been captured by the Germans in May 1940, escaped in April 1942, and returned to Vichy France, via Switzerland — is spirited out of Vichy France by the British submarine HMS Seraph. Giraud has been persuaded by U.S. Lt. Gen. Eisenhower to command French troops during the "Operation Torch" landings in North Africa.

On November 8, "Operation Torch" begins with 106,000 Anglo-American troops — under the overall command of U.S. Lt. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower — landing near Casablanca, in Morocco, and near Algiers and Oran, in Algeria, against minimal Vichy French resistance. German forces are slow to react because the German High Command believes the landings are a feint and that the real invasion will occur on the island of Sardinia, off the west coast of Italy. Hitler makes his 19th annual speech in Munich on the anniversary of the Beer Hall Putsch (a failed Nazi coup attempt in 1923), and states that Stalingrad is in German hands, with only "a few small pockets of resistance" remaining.

Naval battles off Oran and Casablanca on November 9 leave three French destroyers sunk. German paratroops land in Tunisia without opposition from the French. Outside of Lublin, Poland, the Germans open the Majdanek death camp. In its first day of operation, 4,000 Jews are murdered there.

Oran, Algeria, falls to U.S. troops, and American forces enter Casablanca, Morocco, on November 10. Allied successes in Egypt continue with the capture of Sidi Barrani by New Zealand troops. Upon receiving word of the British victories over Rommel's forces, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill tells guests at a London event: "This is not the end. It is not even the beginning of the end, but it is perhaps the end of the beginning." Adm. Jean François Darlan — Vichy French foreign minister and vice premier, who is in Algiers, Algeria, to visit his polio-stricken son — is offered a "deal" by Gen. Eisenhower, whereby the Allies will recognize Darlan as the commander of all French forces in the area in return for a general cease-fire. The "deal" outrages Gen. Giraud, who had been promised command. However, because Giraud has no official status, French troops in North Africa are ignoring him. Many people in the U.S. and England also vehemently protest the "arrangement" with Darlan, a prominent Nazi collaborator. However, Vichy French forces obey Darlan's orders and stop fighting the Allies. Once he hears of Darlan's actions, Vichy France's Marshal Philippe Pétain strips Darlan of his offices and takes command of all Vichy forces, ordering resistance to continue. He, also, is ignored. In Washington, President Roosevelt announces the severing of diplomatic relations with Vichy France. German U-boats mine the entrance to New York Harbor.

The U.S. on November 11 extends Lend-Lease aid to Free French forces under Gen. Charles de Gaulle. Spurred by Darlan's capitulation in North Africa, German and Italian troops begin occupying those parts of France controlled by the Vichy government. In a letter to Marshal Pétain, Hitler declares that the purpose of this move is "to protect France" from the Allies. On the same day, French Jews are ordered to wear a yellow Star of David on their clothing. Lutheran bishops in Norway send a letter to Minister President Vidkun Quisling protesting the planned deportation of Norwegian Jews to Poland.

The British Eighth Army retakes the border cities of Sollum, Egypt, and Bardia, Libya, as well as Tobruk, Libya, on November 12. Panzer Army Africa continues its withdrawal westward toward Tripoli while being squeezed between two large advancing Allied forces. In the U.S., the age of eligibility for the Selective Service draft is lowered from 20 to 18. President Roosevelt estimates that the armed forces will number ten million personnel by the end of 1943.

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PERTH AMBOY - The San Salvador Seniors are sponsoring a bus trip to Caesar's Casino in AC on Thursday, Dec. 7, 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.

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

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Pet of the Week



Blue is my best friend. He always waits for me. If I have a bad day, I forget everything when I play with him. When I was very sick he cried every night because he wanted to see me, and he couldn't. He escaped to try and find me. - Tanny

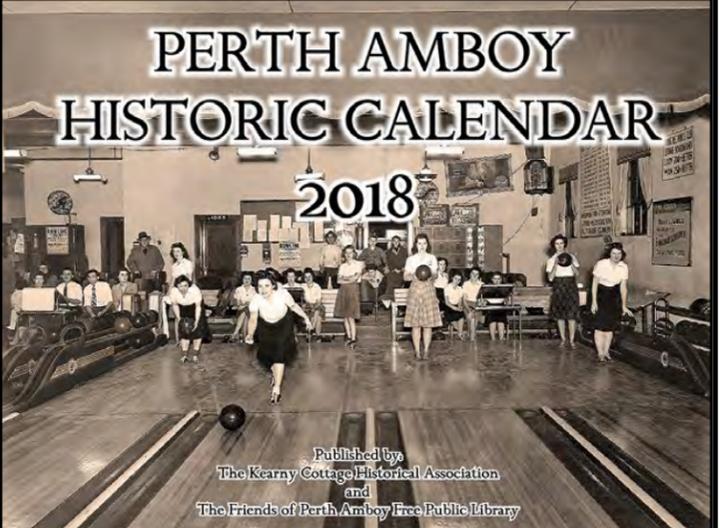
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Novena to St. Rita

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.*

Prayer to St. Jude for Employment

(Prayer from The National Shrine of St. Jude)
Lord Jesus, my desire to work is itself your gift. You gave me talents, so I could shine Your light to the world. Send Your Spirit to guide me to work that will provide security and joy, and most of all the ability to serve You in love. St. Jude, I do not know where I am going – and so I call upon you in my need. Bless my spirit with the determination to continue on with energy. Give my heart patience and fortitude. Help me, dear friend, to remember that God's plan for me is forged out of love. Amen. *A.L.*

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.

Petition to St. Jude

O Holy St. Jude, Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in miracles near the kingdom of Jesus Christ, faithful intercessor of al who invoke your special patronage in time of need, to you I have recourse from the depth of my heart and humbly beg to whom God has Given such great power to come to my assistance. Help me in my present and urgent petition, in return I promise to make your name known cause you to be invoked. *(Say 3 Our Father's, 3 Hail Marys, & Glory Be's. Publication must be promised. This novena must be said for 9 consecutive days. Never known to fail.)*

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- WED. Nov. 8 Good Shepherd Wednesday Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Msgr. Gambino Hall, Florida Grove Rd.
- THURS. Nov. 9 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
- Ukrainian Assumption Seniors, 12 Noon Church Hall, Alta Vista Pl.
- MON. Nov. 13 St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.
- TUES. Nov. 14 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. Nov. 15 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.
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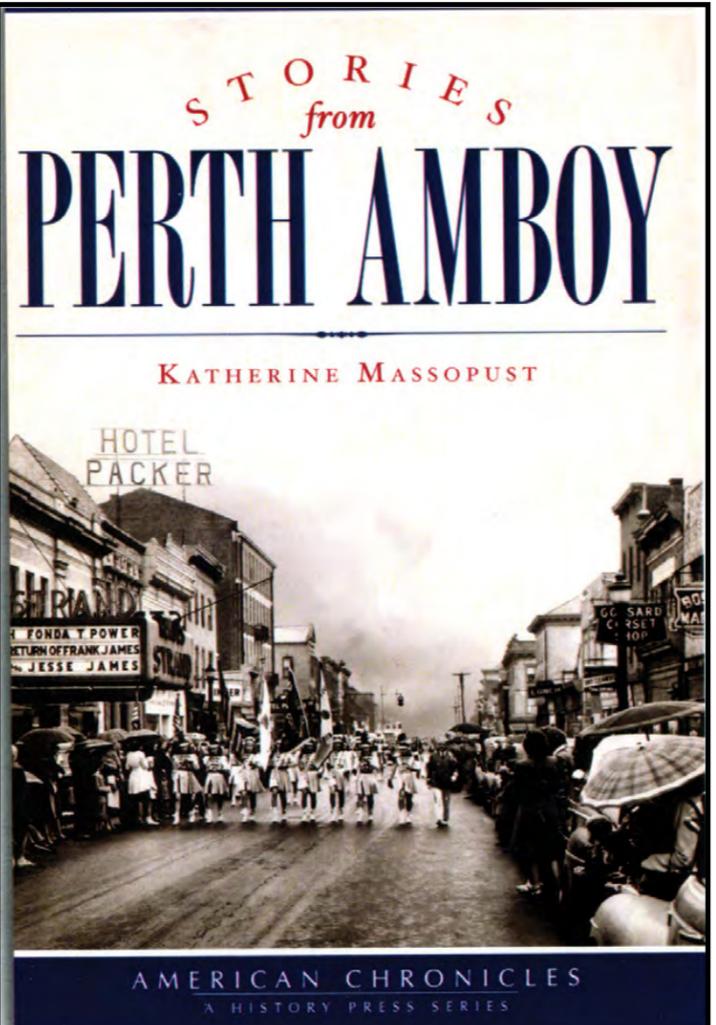
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PERTH AMBOY - Mary Ann (Petrick) Montani and her brother Patrick Petrick, with their father John Petrick (kneeling) with their pet calf on Colgate Avenue, circa 1950.

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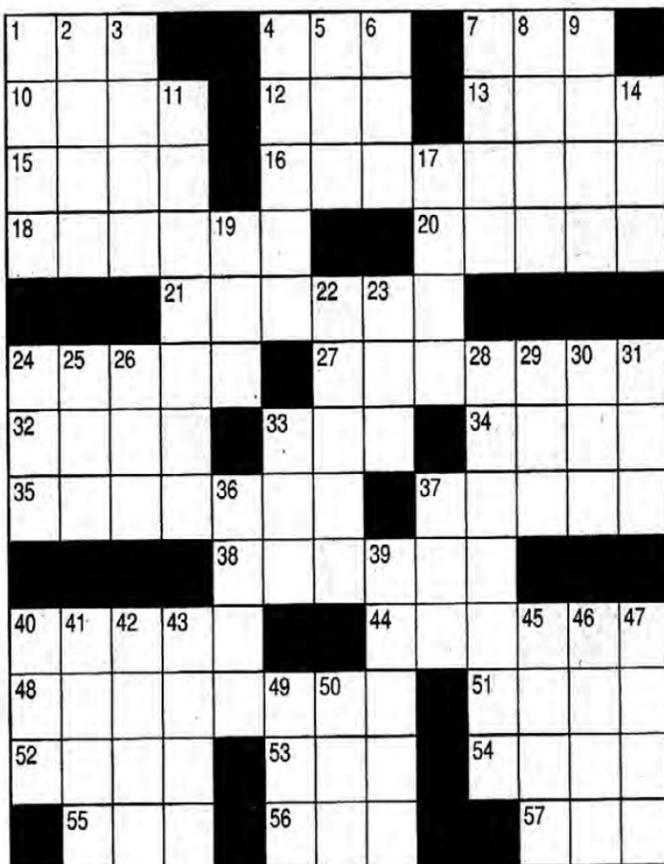
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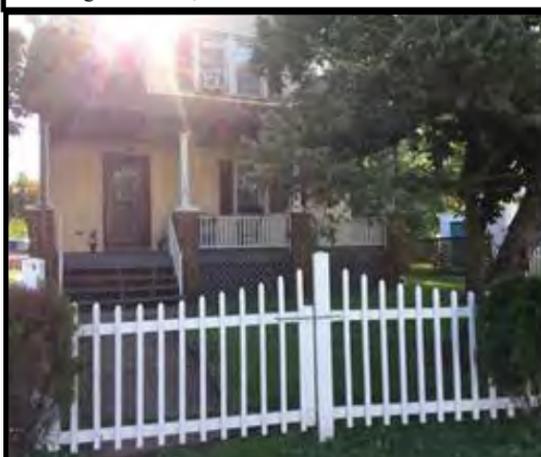
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BRIDGEWATER - Great opportunity! 3 bedrooms 2 full bathrooms, formal dining room, detached garage and much more! **\$270,000**



PERTH AMBOY - Great potential priced for a quick sale needs some TLC, Living room, DR, Kit, full bath 2brs. Buyer is responsible for C/O. Termite and all repairs. **\$134,900**