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# **Special Council Meeting Regarding Zoning Needed**

1/8/18 Caucus & 1/10/18 Council Meetings

PERTH AMBOY - Ordinance No. 2 First Reading: Approving Amendments to Chapter 430: ZONING AND LAND DE-VELOPMENT led to a long discussion at the 1/8/10 Caucus Meeting.

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez was the first to comment. "There are major changes that needed to be done quite a while ago. I met with those who made some of these suggested changes. We need to have a special meeting to go line by line on these items, so the public can hear about these changes which will affect them for the next 35 to 40 years."

Business Administrator Adam Cruz responded, "This has been kicked around for some time." He urged the Council, "Make sure what you want before scheduling a special meeting."

Gonzalez answered, "A special meeting with no other items to be discussed will be best."

Councilman Joel Pabon then spoke up. He wanted to know, "Did anybody meet with Annie Hindenlang (Director of PARA)(regarding the zoning changes)?"

Councilman Helmin Caba responded, "Councilman Irizarry and I met with some of the Committee Members."

Councilman Irizarry added, "There is too much leeway in parking issues and they're saying that offsite parking is encouraged within a quarter mile of a site. A contractor may see this as not having to provide parking. I need more assertive parking language. In the document that we have some words are not defined. For instance, R-50 or R-25 – that means residential, then you have something such as DTC - which is not defined. I'm also concerned that if we have a special meeting and we go line by line for each item, that special meeting will be very cumbersome and go on for a very long time. I raised some issues with Hindenlang."

Pabon then spoke again, "Parking and sewer issues are my concern that I shared with the Committee."

Council President Bill Petrick commented, "The parking is not a realistic expectation. I don't want to have to park a quarter of a mile from my destination. The capacity of the sewers and the water supply improvements – will the contractor share the cost of these improvements? When we pass a new ordinance, there is no coming back to other boards for permission. Coming in on the Focus 2020, we will not have any surplus left from the water."

Councilman Irizarry then asked, "Can the ordinance be changed if something is not working?"

Law Director Peter King responded, "Yes."

Irizarry then asked about loopholes.

Petrick responded to that, "Only new contractors can be prevented from taking advantage of loopholes if it's after the ordinance was passed."

King commented again, "That's why we have further hearings."

Petrick then again stated, "Parking and the water supply issues are my concerns."

B.A. Cruz went on to explain some of the possible solutions to issues involving parking. "One would be a parking deck at the Train Station with the possibility for parking of 600-700 cars. The current parking deck (on Jefferson Street) is not being utilized."

Petrick made a comment, "The City of New Brunswick has plenty of parking because they anticipated it."

Cruz then addressed the situation in regard to the sewage system, "We are replacing the 4 inch pipes with 8 inch pipes.



Councilman Fernando Gonzalez

We are addressing our aging sewer system to provide for growth."

Director of PARA Annie Hindenlang came up to address some of these concerns, "Rezoning does not change parking requirements. In 2013, the parking strategy was to increase the visibility of the train station. There's a potential for a four-story parking deck at the train station. In New Brunswick, the developers turned over the parking they created to the parking authority."

Hindenlang then gave handouts to be distributed to the Council so they could see diagrams that showed residential units attached to parking decks. "In the ordinance, it says that the developer is required to pay for the parking."

Council President Petrick was concerned because he felt this material should have been presented the Council beforehand. "We could have reviewed it and made any changes."

Hindenlang concluded, "The Planning Board has to approve parking from the contractors."

The Council decided to have a special meeting to be held at 6 p.m. on Monday, January 29, 2018 at the Council Chambers to discuss Ordinance #2 only. At the 1/10/18 Council Meeting, Councilman Bill Petrick stressed the importance that the community opinions be heard.

# Board of Education Election of President & Vice President Deadlocked

1/10/18 Board of Education Meeting



Board Member Lissett Lebron is sworn in.

\*Photos by Katherine Massopust



Board Member Milady Tejeda is sworn in.

By Katherine Massopust
PERTH AMBOY – The 1/10/18
Board of Education Meeting
began with the JROTC presenting the colors to salute the flag.
Board Secretary Derek Jess
read the results of the 11/7/17
Election. Jess then read the
Board of Education process.

Newly elected Board Member Jesus Martinez was not present due to being out of state for training. Newly elected Board Member Lissett Lebron was sworn in first. Then reelected Board Member Milady Tejada was sworn in.

Nominations for Board President were as follows: Board Member Tashi Vasquez nominated Board Member Junior Iglesia for President. Board Member Randy Convery seconded the nomination. Board

Member Anton J. Massopust nominated Ken Puccio for President. Board Member Milady Tejeda seconded the nomination.

The votes for Junior Iglesia as Board President were as follows: Board Members Tashi Vasquez, Junior Iglesia, Randy Convery, and Lissett Lebron voted "Yes". Board Members Anton J. Massopust, Obi Gonzalez, Milady Tejeda, and Ken Puccio voted "No."

The votes for Ken Puccio as Board President were as follows: Board Members Anton J. Massopust, Obi Gonzalez, Milady Tejeda, and Ken Puccio voted "Yes". Board Members Tashi Vasquez, Junior Iglesia, Randy Convery, and Lissett

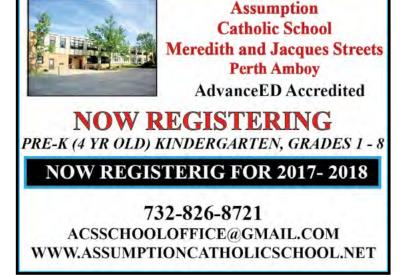
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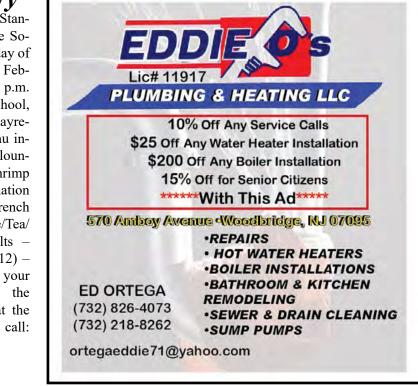






#### Lent Fish Fry

SAYREVILLE – The St. Stanislaus Kostka Holy Name Society is having a First Friday of Lent Fish Fry on Friday, February 16, 2018 from 4:30 p.m. -7:00 p.m. at St. Stan's School, 221 MacArthur Ave., Sayreville, NJ 08872. The menu includes: Fried or Broiled Flounder Platters, Fried Shrimp Platters, and Combination Platters. Includes: French Fries, Salad Bar, Coffee/Tea/ Soda and Dessert. Adults -\$15.00, Children (under 12) – \$8.00. Please purchase your ticket in advance in the CHURCH LOBBY Or at the OFFICE. For more info call: 732-254-0212.



Craftapalooza
WOODBRIDGE - Join us for a night of crafting @ the Main Library, 1 George Frederick Plaza, Woodbirdge. Adults (18+) are invited to create a glass bead candle holder with the guidance of library staff on Tuesday, February 6 from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 pm. All supplies will be provided. Guests need only to bring their crafting spir-

Registration is required to attend this event. Please register online @ http://woodbridgelibrary.evanced.info or call 732-634-4450 to register.





# Board of Education Election of President & Vice President Deadlocked 1/10/18 Board of Education Meeting

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Lebron voted "No". This was a 4/4 tie.

Board Member Junior Iglesia made a motion to postpone the vote until newly elected Board Member Jesus Martinez was present and could participate. "Maybe we can meet next week to vote. I believe we are punishing him for being in the military."

Board Secretary Derek Jess asked Board Attorney Isabel Machado what the law is regarding this matter. Machado answered the law states today (1/10/18) was the last day that the Board could elect a President. She cited the state statuettes.

There was now a second round of votes for President:

The second round of votes for Junior Iglesia as Board President were as follows: Board Members Tashi Vasquez, Junior Iglesia, Randy Convery, and Lissett Lebron voted "Yes". Board Members Anton J. Massopust, Obi Gonzalez, Milady Tejeda, and Ken Puccio voted "No."

The second round votes for Ken Puccio as Board President were as follows: Board Members Anton J. Massopust, Obi Gonzalez, Milady Tejeda, and Ken Puccio voted "Yes". Board Members Tashi Vasquez, Junior Iglesia, Randy Convery, and Lissett Lebron voted "No".

Again, there was a 4/4 tie.

Jess then moved on to ask for a nomination for Vice President. Board Member Junior



Board Member Junior Iglesia

Iglesia nominated Tashi Vasquez. Board Member Randy Convery seconded the motion. Board Member Anton J. Massopust nominated Milady Tejeda. Board Member Obi Gonzalez seconded the nomination.

The votes for Tashi Vasquez for Vice President went as follows: Board Members Tashi Vasquez, Junior Iglesia, Randy Convery, and Lissett Lebron voted "Yes". Board Members Anton J. Massopust, Obi Gonzalez, Milady Tejeda, and Ken Puccio voted "No."

The votes for Milady Tejeda as Vice President were as follows: Board Members Anton J. Massopust, Obi Gonzalez, Milady Tejeda, and Ken Puccio voted "Yes". Board Members Tashi Vasquez, Junior Iglesia, Randy Convery, and Lissett Lebron voted "No".

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Board Secretary Derek Jess then stated, "I will reach out to the County Superintendent who will chose a President and Vice President."

There was a presentation on Ethics for School Officials given by Mary Ann Friedman,



Board Member Tashi Vasquez

Field Service Representative for the New Jersey School Boards Association.

During the New Business portion of the agenda, Board Member Milady Tagged said a few words, "Today is a very good day. I thank God. And I thank Manuel Nunez and Eddie (Tejeda's running mates). I believe in education. When education needs and goals are met, children attend top universities or serve in the military to achieve their dreams. I welcome new Board Members Lissett Lebron and Jesus Martinez. We are on the right track and moving forward. I want to thank the employees, parents and everyone. The future starts now. May God bless you all!"

Board Member Lisett Lebron then spoke, "I look forward to promote student achievement. If we give our best, students will achieve. Thanks to all of those who make this possible, putting students first, always.



Board Member Milady Tejeda

We need each other. I'm humbled by this honor."

Board Member Tashi Vasquez addressed the Board, "It's so rewarding. It's just phenomenal. The work is hard. It's a great feeling and we will continue to work - together we can do it."

Board Member Randy Convery said, "Happy New Year! Some members are in a group called the Municipal Alliance educating youth on drug and alcohol abuse. There's going to be a Brighton Avenue Teen Center."

No one spoke during the public portion.

Board Member Junior Iglesia asked that the language that was adopted in regard to the election be gone over during the executive session. The main part of the meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m. The Board then went into executive session with no formal action taken.

#### Pirohi Sale

PERTH AMBOY - St. John's Orthodox Church will be holding their Pirohi Sale at \$8.00 Per Dozen. Orders may be called in from Feb. 5-8, 2018 to 732-826-7067 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Orders may be picked up on Feb. 13 or 14 at 404 Division Street, Perth Amboy, NJ beginning at 2:30 p.m.

# Depression During the Golden Years

OLD BRIDGE - Hackensack Meridian Health Raritan Bay Medical Center-Old Bridge is sponsoring a free Depression during the Golden Years education session Wednesday, February 21, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Old Bridge Public Library, One Old Bridge Plaza, Old Bridge, NJ. Learn signs and symptoms of depression, common problems that cause or mimic depression, and ways to assist elderly who may be depressed. Registration required, call 1-800-560-9990.

#### Open House at Assumption Catholic School

PERTH AMBOY - Assumption Catholic School in Perth Amboy NJ will host an open house on Sunday January 28 from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. as part of its Catholic Schools Week. Founded in 1963, Assumption Catholic School brings the tradition of high-quality Catholic Education to the city of Perth Amboy, NJ. AdvancEd accredited. STREAM curriculum integrates Religion into the STREAM content areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics. The school provides a Christ-centered, Catholic environment to a diverse population of prekindergarten (age 4) through 8thgrade students. Before Care and After Care are available.

At the Open House, you will have the opportunity to tour the school and enjoy conversation with Principal and current students, who will be assisting with each tour. Registrations for the 2018-2019 school year, will be accepted at these sessions. It's never too early to start thinking about giving your chil-

dren the great gift of a Catholic education - one which is effective and affordable! If you can't make it to the OPEN HOUSE, feel free to call the School office and set up a tour with us at any time. Our principal is always more than happy to do a walk-through with you and answer all your questions! To receive more information about the school, call 732-826-8721, 380 Meredith St., Perth Amboy, NJ or visit us at www.assumptioncatholicschool.net

Come experience our beautiful learning community, witness our academic excellence, and feel the presence of God that permeates all areas of our school.

The Catholic Schools Week will conclude on February 2nd, 2018 with celebration of 8:45 a.m. (Mass) Divine Liturgy at the Assumption Catholic Church conducted by a newly-ordained auxiliary bishop of Philadelphia, the Most Reverend Andriy Rabiy, followed by His Excellency visiting ACS.

## House Fire at 174 Chauncy St., Perth Amboy 1/7/18 \*Photos by Ray Kawka





The Perth Amboy Fire Department fights a fire at 175 Chauncy St., Perth Amboy

#### LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

#### **EDITORIAL**

#### Rutgers School of Planning and Public Policy Brings to Light Overcrowding in Perth Amboy -12/2013-

Remember the above headline? The Bloustien School of Planning has been called on by many municipalities because of their expertise on what is needed most to bring the best potential to their town. The Bloustein School pulls no punches. They will tell you the good, the bad, and the ugly. It's up to each municipality as to if they want to follow the advice.

Will the City of Perth Amboy do that? Therefore, it's important that as many residents as possible attend the Special Monday, January 29, 2018 6 p.m. meeting regardless if you're a home owner, a renter, own commercial retail property or a business owner - even if you do not live in town.

Any way you look at it, it's going to affect everyone's quality of life. Unless you decide never to go outside of your house, you eventually will wander out of your neighborhood and have to go to other parts of your town where major changes may be taking effect.

Smith Street is one of the busiest streets in town and where most of the major public buses travel on. I know for a fact that the New Jersey Transit Bus Drivers always say Perth Amboy during rush hour is where they lose their most time.

Let's not forget that we did take down two of the worst residential buildings in town: The Stockton Street Building and the Huntington Building, where there used to be a multitude of problems. This is not coming from me, but from people who used to live there and emergency personnel that used to respond to calls there.

Did it ever occur to the Perth Amboy Redevelopment Agency that Perth Amboy is too overcrowded? When those buildings came down, maybe we should have only rebuilt a third of what those buildings occupied. This probably would have been what the Bloustein School of Planning recom-



mended

A lot of our parks have been taken from us. I remember growing up on State Street, there used to be a park near the intersection of State Street and Hall Avenue.

Neighborhood Parks are important for everyone Besides physical exercise, it was a way people connected with their neighbors.

I understand, times were different, but maybe it's time to revert back to some good old fashion interaction instead of everyone texting each other and playing games on the computer.

So, do you think building more high-rise apartment buildings would make residents feel more connected? Personally, we don't think so.

Neighborhood parks and recreational centers spread throughout the City would do this. Walking Trails that connect municipalities that are close by are one of the best ideas that are implemented. Walking is one of the most beneficial exercises that you can do. You can go at your own pace and all that is called fore is a good pair of walking shoes and comfortable clothing.

When living in a city, one of the most important things is the conveniences of life. One of them is not driving around the block 10 to 15 times looking for a parking space with a carload of groceries. Driving down Market Street at 10 p.m. all the way down to City Hall, one will

be hard pressed to find a parking space, since 90% of spaces are taken. Almost every single yard is filled with cars. Many delivery trucks find it difficult to make their deliveries. They often block the crosswalks, bus stops, or they are forced to double park.

Perth Amboy is considered as having one of the most overcrowded school systems in the State of New Jersey. We have two ambulances and often one from Woodbridge responding to the needs of our large population

Just walk down Smith Street and look at the businesses that have residential apartments above them. A lot of the benches have been removed from Smith Street.

Perth Amboy wants to encourage shopping in the downtown area. Let's not forget the shoppers with young children who take public transportation. With those benches removed, it's very inconvenient for them with their purchases and children to stand and wait for a bus.

It's not fair to punish those because of a few who misused those benches.

We're hoping the turnout for the meeting is so big that they'll have to move it to a larger location. They should have a secondary location reserved just to be on the safe side. But remember, this meeting is just to discuss this one topic and nothing else. That is what the regular council meetings are for.

As Councilman Fernando Gonzalez stated at one of the meetings, the decision that the Council or any other Boards make will affect the City for the next 35 to 40 years. See you there. C.M. & K.M. & The Amboy Ambler

#### THE COMMUNITY VOICE

# Partisan Politics & Taxes

A recent letter claimed that a political party alone affected taxes. There was no proof offered, it ignored the effects of population density. Areas that are densely populated have higher taxes for their needs. Rural area with a low population density can have dirt roads, no city water supply, no sewage or garbage removal. That's not practical in densely populated areas. An unpaved city street or sidewalk after a rain would result in deep mud that impedes traffic. A political party should

meet the wishes of the voters. The party that best represents the people wins their votes.

What affects population density? It's the availability of jobs, housing, etc. A lack of employment can result in abandoned housing, like those ghost towns out west or some urban neighborhoods when a manufacturing plant shuts down. In NJ state government has alternated between political parties over the decades. So what was the effect on state and local taxes?

Ronald A. Sobieraj

#### **Corrections**

Dear Carolyn and Katherine: I took a look at the latest issue of The Amboy Guardian, and found a number of errors in your article reporting on illegal parking of buses and power washing on lots on Sayre Ave-

Especially disturbing were quotes attributed to me that contained statements I did not make.

I understand how difficult and time-consuming it is to put out a weekly paper—and I commend you for the effort. But it's extremely important that you get the facts right—and that you not put quotation marks around anything that is not a verbatim account of the words someone actually spoke.

Most people don't attend council meetings, and might use your paper as their sole source of what happened. A lot of misunderstandings can occur when information is misinterpreted or reported incorrectly.

I have listed below the errors that I saw in the 1/19/18 story, "Special Meeting on Zoning Set Up for Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> & Answering Questions from 1/8/18 Meeting." I would appreciate a correction in the paper.

• "There is a lot on Sayre Avenue that used to be the site of an old coat factory."

You quoted me saying that, but I didn't. As far back as the early 1950s, those have been parking lots for employees who work in the factory. If there was once a coat factory around there, I'm not aware of it.

• "Power washing is occurring there, including buses."

I didn't say that buses were being power-washed—because they are not. I said that trucks were being power washed. The power washing of the trucks is a separate issue from the buses

that are parked in the lots in violation.

• "I was told code enforcement issued violations to the bus company..."

Again, an incorrect quote. I didn't say that code enforcement issued violations to the bus company—because they didn't. They issued a Notice of Violation to the owner of the property where the buses are parked, because the property owner is responsible for the violation.

• ...we've had dozens of violations..."

There have been many violations, but I don't know that there are "dozens."

• "You are allowing a nonconforming use to be violated which then becomes a conformed use."

I didn't say that. You can't violate a nonconforming use, because a nonconforming use IS a violation, unless it's grandfathered in. I don't even think "conformed use" is an actual term. If it's a legal use, it's "conforming" to zoning regula-

• "Skelton then noted, 'I'm getting sick from the solvent these buses are using and they are not our school buses.'"

I never said I'm getting sick from the solvent the buses are using, because the buses aren't using any solvent. The power washers are likely using some type of solvent to clean the trucks, and I did have a serious physical reaction to it when they were doing the power washing one afternoon. But again, they are not power washing the buses. You are quoting me as linking two things that are not linked—and that I never said were linked.

Thank you Renee Skelton

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#### 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.

#### New School Naming

#### **Committee**

PERTH AMBOY - Want to be involved in naming the New Seaman Avenue Elementary School? Accepting applications and letters of interest. Go to paps.net for an application.

#### 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 Email: info@proprietaryhouse. org. Follow us on our website, www.theproprietaryhouse.org and or/Facebook.

#### **Community Calendar**

**Perth Amboy** 

WED. Jan. 24 City Council, Regular, 7 p.m. City Hall, High St.

THURS. Jan. 25 Historic Preservation Commission, 7 p.m.

City Hall, High St.

**South Amboy** 

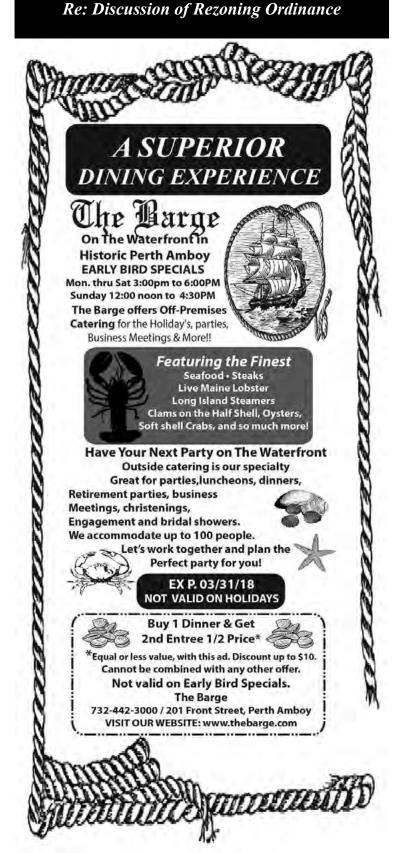
WED. Jan. 31 City Council, Regular, 7 p.m.

City Hall, N. Broadway

City Council, Business 6 p.m.

WED. Feb. 7 City Hall, N. Broadway

> **Special Public Meeting** Monday January 29, 2018 at 6 p.m. City Council Chambers, City Hall, High Street



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

We are taking safety precautions in the City of Perth Amboy, emphasize that it is important:

IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING!!

Report Suspicious Activity - Be Vigilant - STAY ALERT Do not think that any call or report is too small Don't allow the actions of a few dictate your quality of life

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#### A Delightful Valentine's Tea

PERT AMBOY – The Proprietary House, (the Royal Governor's Mansion), invites you to "A Delightful Valentine's Tea," from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, February 14th.

Celebrate Valentine's Day at the Royal Governor's Mansion. Assorted teas, sparkling beverages, scrumptious desserts, chocolates and other treats will be served by candlelight in the mansion's atmospheric colonial brick and stone wine cellar. Enjoy a museum tour and shop in the Museum Gift Shop. (Museum is accessible for people with disabilities.)

\$13 per Person / \$25 per Couple. Space is limited. Reservations required. Funds raised will benefit restoration and operation of Proprietary House's Museum.

For reservations and information, contact Proprietary House Association - Phone: (732) 826-5527; E-mail: info@theproprietaryhouse.org; Address: 149 Kearny Avenue, Perth Amboy, NJ, 08861.

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#### Pallone, NJ DEP and Army Corps of Engineers Announce Final Approval of Flood Control Project in Union Beach

Press Release 1/5/18 LONG BRANCH - Today, Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr. (NJ-06) and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) announced that Union Beach will move forward with a \$289 million flood control project. A Project Partnership Agreement (PPA) for the project was signed by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) and US-ACE this week. The signing of the PPA allows USACE to move forward on the actual construction phase of the project. The flood control project occupies an area of approximately 1.8 square miles of land along the coast of Raritan Bay, where low-lying residential and commercial structures in the area experience flooding

During the 114th Congress, Congressman Pallone was successful in passing legislation that allowed the project to move forward. That law was signed by President Obama on December 16, 2016.

caused by coastal storms. The

area was devastated by Super-

storm Sandy.

This project was initially authorized for construction in the Water Resources Development Act of 2007 on November 8, 2007. Subsequent funding and authorization was provided in the 2013 Sandy

relief package. Pallone was a leader in supporting both the project's initial authorization and the Sandy relief bill through Congress.

With the signing of the PPA the USACE expects to award the first construction contract in June 2018.

"This project will help protect Union Beach families who suffered from devastating flooding during Superstorm Sandy," said Pallone. "I appreciate the work of Union Beach, NJDEP, and the Army Corps of Engineers in making this flood control project possible. I will continue to do everything within my power to ensure that it is completed in a timely and effective manner."

"The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is thrilled to be executing this agreement with our partners at the state of New Jersey, which is a critical step in constructing this coastal storm risk management project," said Col. Thomas Asbery, commander, New York District. "Hurricane Sandy had an extremely adverse impact on the residents of Union Beach and we look forward to beginning construction to provide additional coastal storm risk reduction measures for the residents of this community."

"Since Sandy's landfall, the Christie Administration's

shore protection efforts up and down the coast and along our bayshores have resulted in a stronger, more resilient Jersey Shore and better protection of life and property," said NJ DEP Commissioner Bob Martin. "We join with all in Union Beach and along the coast in marking the beginning of this important project."

"We are excited about the Army Corps and the DEP, signing the PPA, and thank all who helped," said Union Beach Mayor Paul J. Smith Jr. "A special Thank-You to Congressman Pallone and his staff. We are looking forward to Phase 1 of our Shore Protection Project."

The \$289 million project includes a beach berm and dune system with revetments and two terminal groins along the Raritan Bayshore, with a system of levees and floodwalls provided along Chingarora and East Creeks and crossing Flat Creek. The overall length of the authorized project is 20,915 feet, and is comprised of 3,160 feet of dune, 10,870 feet of levee and 6,885 feet of floodwall. Also included are road closure gates, two road raisings, three pump stations, two sector gates, and six tide gate structures. The project also includes beach nourishment at nine year increments.

## **Soup Sale**PERTH AMBOY - St. John's

Lutheran Church, 664 Amboy Ave., Perth Amboy is current holding a Soup Sale. Choices are Cream of Potato, Vegetable Beef or Vegan Lentil. Quantities are \$8. for 1 quart and \$20. for 3 quarts, you can mix and match the 3 quarts. Orders can be placed between 1/15 to 2/2/18 with pick up at the Church's Meredith St. entrance on 2/4. To order contact Lorraine at 732-996-8860 or at kookie.mc@verizon.net. All are invited to worship with us every Sunday at 10 am. We follow the Lutheran custom of cake and coffee after the service.

# Healthy Eating Lecture and

Cooking Demo

OLD BRIDGE - The Institute for Weight Loss at Hackensack Meridian Health Raritan Bay Medical Center- Old Bridge, is sponsoring a free Healthy Eating Lecture and Cooking Demo Wednesday, February 7, 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The event will be held in the Joslin Diabetes Center, Affiliate at Raritan Bay's demonstration kitchen, Suite 420, Medical and Surgical Pavilion, 2 Hospital Plaza, Old Bridge, NJ. Registration is required, call 1-800-DOCTORS (1-800-362-8677) or visit HackensackMeridianHealth.org/ Events.

#### We Keep You Moving

PERTH AMBOY - The Human Motion Institute at Hackensack Meridian Health Raritan Bay Medical Center-Perth Amboy, is sponsoring a free "We Keep You Moving" Total Joint Replacement Education session Friday, February 2, 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., at Raritan Bay-Perth Amboy, 530 New Brunswick Ave. The session is intended for patients who have been scheduled for joint replacement surgery or for those who would like to learn more about joint replacement. Registration required, call 1-800-DOCTORS (1-800-362-8677).

#### Fish Fry

PERTH AMBOY - St. John Paul II Parish is sponsoring a Fish Fry Fundraiser on Friday, February 16, 2018 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. It will be held at Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima Church at 188 Wayne Street. Take-out is also available. The menu is either fried or broiled fish or pierogis, salad, coleslaw, French fries and Spanish rice. Other menu choices include macaroni and cheese and spaghetti with clam sauce. Bottled water and cake and coffee or tea are also included. Soda will be available for purchase. The price is \$10 for adults and \$6 for children (7-12 years-old). For tickets call 732-826-1395. The deadline for ticket sales is February 13, 2018.

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#### Movie Review: The Darkest Hour

By: Anton Massopust III "Lost causes are the only ones that are worth fighting for." - Winston Churchill

"The Darkest Hour" is in a new film set during World War II. It tells the story of Winston Churchill's struggle to save the Free World - not only from the Terrors of the Nazis but also from its own people within from his party. Churchill's War Cabinet believes that the situation is hopeless. If you've seen the previous film, "Dunkirk," you know what was going on in England during this time. The movie starts out during

Churchill's first term in office as Prime Minister, but Lord Fairfax and former Prime Minister Chamberlain believe that the Europe is lost, and they be should begin negotiations with the Nazi Germany. At the same time most of the British and French forces are trapped at Dunkirk. Churchill initiates Project Dynamo to rescue as many people as possible, but with the support of the King, his wife, and the British people, the Prime Minister soon perseveres - even with the entire world on his shoulders.

Gary Oldman is Winston

Churchill. The makeup is perfect, which adds to Gary Oldman's performance which shines through, showing the man at his strongest moments during one of his greatest speeches, and his weakest moments when everyone is against him. I love the cinematography which uses such colors as grey's and black's to show how bleak the situation was. Only in one scene, we see how bright eventually white shines through. Everyone in the Supporting Cast is perfectly cast. "The Darkest Hour" is like "The King's Speech." This is a

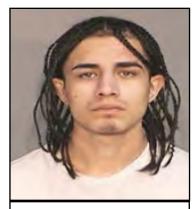


simple drama, but wonderful to see. Gary Oldman and the movie itself should be nominated

for an Academy Award. (It should win.) Go and see it.

#### **Police Blotter**

#### Perth Amboy Police Seize Loaded Gun, Approximately 112 grams of Marijuana, \$1025 in Counterfeit Money, \$341 in U.S. Currency, Loose Ammunition, and Drug paraphernalia



Jorge Gomez was charged with Possession of Weapon, Possession of a weapon for an unlawful purpose, Resisting Arrest, Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance, Possession of Controlled Dangerous Substance with Intent to Distribute within 1000 feet of a school, Drug Paraphernalia and Forgery with counterfeit money.

Press Release 1/19/18
PERTH AMBOY - Three Perth Amboy city residents were arrested and charged with various charges including drug and forgery offenses by Perth Amboy Anti-Crime Police Officers, one of the individuals was also charged with weapons charges for being in possession of a loaded Gun.

On 1/18/2018 Officer Giovanni Diaz and Officer Jose Perez conducted a motor vehicle stop at the intersection of Smith St and Hobart St. at 11:39pm. During the stop the Officers detected an odor of marijuana and conducted a search of the vehicle. The rear passenger Ivan Leon-Lopez had approximately 3 ounces of Marijuana in his possession. The front passenger, Jorge Luis Gomez and the Officers on the scene got into a brief struggle after he exited the



Ivan Leon-Lopez was charged with Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance, Possession of Controlled Dangerous Substance with Intent to Distribute within 1000 feet of a school, Drug Paraphernalia and Forgery with counterfeit money.



Linda Almanzar was charged with Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance, Possession of Controlled Dangerous Substance with Intent to Distribute within 1000 feet of a school, Drug Paraphernalia and Forgery with counterfeit money



vehicle. After the struggle in which he was reaching for his waist band area, Officer Giovanni Diaz recovered a Silver Raven Arms .25 caliber semi-automatic handgun from Gomez's waistband.

The driver of the vehicle, Linda Almanzar, was also arrested and charged with various charges including drug and forgery offenses. Recovered from inside the vehicle was another approximate ounce of Marijuana for an overall total of 4 ounces of Marijuana recovered. Also recovered was ammunition (5 additional rounds), \$1025 in Counterfeit money, and Drug paraphernalia.

All three are to be sent to the Middlesex County Adult Correctional Center in North Brunswick with no bail.

#### Tom's Tax Tips

# The Best Way to Avoid an Audit: Preparation

Courtesy of Tom Ploskanka, C.P.A.

Getting audited by the IRS is no fun. Some taxpayers are selected for random audits every year, but the chances of that happening to you are very small. You are much more likely to fall under the IRS's gaze if you make one of several common mistakes.

That means your best chance of avoiding an audit is by doing things right before you file your return this year. Here are some suggestions:

Don't leave anything out. Missing or incomplete information on your return will trigger an audit letter automatically, since the IRS gets copies of the same tax forms (such as W-2s and 1099s) that you do.

Double-check your numbers. Bad math will get you audited. People often make calculation errors when they do their returns, especially if they do them without assistance. In 2016, the IRS sent out more than 1.6 million examination letters correcting math errors. The most frequent errors occurred in people's calculation of their amount of tax due, as well as the number of exemptions

and deductions they claimed. Don't stand out. The IRS takes a closer look at business expenses, charitable donations and high-value itemized deductions. IRS computers reference statistical data on which amounts of these items are typical for various professions and income levels. If what you are claiming is significantly different from what is typical, it may be flagged for review.

Have your documentation in order. Keep your records in order by being meticulous about your recordkeeping. Items that will support the tax breaks you take include: cancelled checks, receipts, credit card and investment statements, logs for mileage and business meals, and proof of charitable donations. With proper documentation, a correspondence letter from the IRS inquiring about a particular deduction can be quickly resolved before it turns into a full-blown audit.

Remember, the average person has a less than 1 percent chance of being audited. If you prepare now, you can narrow your audit chances even further and rest easy after you've filed.

# Monthly Tour of The Berkow Maternity Pavilion

PERTH AMBOY - Hackensack Meridian Health Raritan Bay Medical Center-Perth Amboy monthly tour of The Berkow Maternity Pavilion and family health information open house will be held Wednesday, February 7, at 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Newly expectant parents are invited to tour and learn about the maternity unit's modern comforts, designed to provide a calm and relaxing birthing experience. Participants are asked to meet in the main lobby of Raritan Bay-Perth Amboy, 530 New Brunswick Ave. Registration required, call 1-800-DOCTORS (1-800-362-8677) and reference zip code 08861.

# 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.

Although Erwin Rommel has been ordered to defend Tripoli, Libya, he decides to save his troops, and abandons the city on January 22, 1943, planning to make a stand around Mareth, Tunisia, some 200 miles to the west. At the ongoing Casablanca Conference, a further source of disagreement between the Allies is Roosevelt's call for the "unconditional surrender" of Axis combatants. Churchill wants to split the Axis by treating Italy differently, but is persuaded to go along with the U.S. view after considering that a more-lenient treatment of Italy will only antagonize allies Greece and Yugoslavia. In Germany, Hitler — to counter German losses of armor on the Eastern Front — orders that tank construction is to take priority over shipbuilding. Photographer Margaret Bourke-White becomes the first woman to fly along on a U.S. Army Air Forces bombing mission — an attack on a Germanheld airfield in Tunis.

In North Africa, the Allies capture Tripoli, Libya, on January 23. The last German airfield in the Stalingrad pocket falls. Hitler reissues his orders of "no surrender" to Field Marshal Paulus and his Sixth Army in Stalingrad. In the Solomon Islands, Japanese army and naval units receive orders from Imperial Japanese Headquarters in Tokyo to begin withdrawing from Guadalcanal and surrounding islands. Since August 7, 1942, the Japanese have lost 65 naval vessels and over 800 aircraft in the Solomons. Losses of troops have been in the tens of thousands, and survivors — facing more than 50,000 American troops — are on less than half rations. Hunger and disease are killing as many Japanese soldiers as the Americans are.

With the capture of Sanananda by Australian troops, fighting in the Buna-Gona area of Papua-New Guinea is officially declared over on January 24. The Allies have suffered over 3,000 casualties; the Japanese, over 7,000. Of the roughly 350 prisoners taken alive in the area, the majority are Chinese or Korean forced laborers. For the first time since the beginning of the war, German newspapers begin printing pessimistic reports about the status of affairs on the Eastern Front.

Prime Minister Churchill and President Roosevelt formally end the Casablanca Conference with a joint announcement on January 25 demanding the unconditional surrender of Germany and Italy and their allies. At Stalingrad, the Red Army succeeds in splitting the remnants of the German Sixth Army into northern and southern pockets.

The British Eighth Army on January 26 takes Zaula, Libya, which is less than 100 miles from the Tunisian frontier. Manpower shortages on the fighting fronts force the Germans to replace anti-aircraft crews in Germany with boys as young as 15 who are members of the Hitler Youth organization. In Moscow, Soviet Premier Joseph Stalin announces that the Red Army has "destroyed" 102 German army divisions, and captured 200,000 prisoners.

The first solely American air raid against Germany occurs on January 27 as 91 bombers of the U.S. Eighth Air Force target the large naval base at Wilhelmshaven. All the planes make it back safely to base. In the U.S., the Office of Price Administration announces that "all edible meats" will be rationed, beginning on April 1. The OPA had been asking the populace to curtail their consumption voluntarily, but the appeals have not produced the desired effect.

On January 28, a new conscription law goes into effect in Germany that decrees that all men between 16 and 65, and all women between 17 and 45, can be drafted into government service for "labor." In the U.S., Secretary of War Henry Stimson announces that the War Department will "ease restrictions on Americans of Japanese ancestry and employ loyal ones in war work," including the establishment of a Japanese-American unit in the U.S. Army.

#### Ask the Rabbi

PERTH AMBOY/EDISON - On January 24<sup>th</sup>, Rabbi Sara Metz of Congregation Beth Mordecai of Perth Amboy will be at Menlo Park Mall food court (near Panera) from noon to 1 p.m. She will speak on various topics of interest and answer any and all questions as it relates to Judaism. She will also discuss the topics of the day.

# 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Troop 53, BSA

FORDS - Troop 53, BSA, Our Lady of Peace Church, Fords, NJ is Celebrating their 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018. All Troop alumni is asked to join us in celebrating 75 years of service and rededicate to the future. For more information contact troop53fordsnj@gmail.

#### 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, Feb. 1, 2018. 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



# Sands Casino Bus Trip Holy Rosary Seniors

HOPELAWN - The Holy Rosary Seniors are sponsoring a bus trip to Sands Casino in Bethlehem Pennsylvania on February 1, 2018. Cost is \$30 and Includes bus, gratuity, \$20 back in play and \$5 food voucher. Bus leaves Church parking lot 10:00 am. For more details please call Ronnie at 732-442-5252.

# Renault Winery/Resorts AC Trip Holy Rosary Seniors

HOPELAWN - Renault Winery/Resorts Casino A/C Tuesday 4/3/2018. Bus leaves 9:30 Am from church parking lot. Spend 2 hours at winery - Italian Family style lunch and wine tasting. Leave Resorts approximately 6:30 pm. Cost \$75. \$25 back in play. Any question call Ronnie at 732-442-5252.



#### **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: Jan. 27; Feb. 10 & 24. 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. !!!!

### Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Holy Spirit, you who solve all problems, light all roads so that I can achieve my goal. You who give me a divine gift to forgive & forget all evil against me and that in all instances of my life are with me. I want to this short prayer to thank you for all things you confirm once again that I never want to be separated from you, even in spite of all material illusions. I wish to be with you in eternal joy and thank you for your mercy towards me and mine.

The person must say this prayer for 3 consecutive days. After 3 days the favor requested will be granted even if it seems difficult. The prayer must be published immediately after the favor is granted without mention of the favor, only your initials should appear at the bottom. M.D.P.

#### Bingo/Tricky Tray

SAYREVILLE Feeling Lucky? Come enjoy a fun evening of coach bingo on Friday, February 9, 2018, for the second annual Middlesex County Association of Chiefs of Police coach bingo/tricky tray at St. Stanislaus School, 221 MacArthur Ave., Sayreville. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and games begin at 7 p.m. Cost is \$30 per person which includes 12 games of bingo (3 boards per game), coffee, tea, and dessert. There will also be a 50/50. All guests are invited to bring their own food and refreshments. For tickets please call Gina at 732-432-8361 or Joanne 732-254-1781. See you there!!

#### Pet of the Week



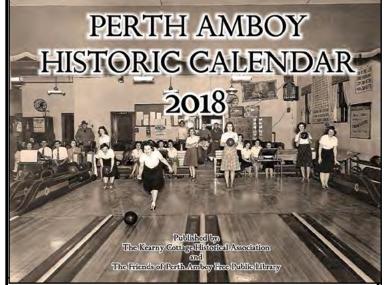
Kat is a lovable, sweetheart that deserves a forever home. Rescued off the street and now her rescuer has allergies. Text 732-486-6382 or email Allforthepaws@gmail.com. Adoption application and donation fee apply. Give Kat a chance.

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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.

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#### 2018 Historic Perth Amboy Calendars



2018 Historic Perth Amboy Calendars are now available at the Barge Restaurant, 201 Front St., Perth Amboy 732-442-3000 or at Fertigs Uniform Store, 195 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy 732-442-1079, Perth Amboy City Hall or Call Paul or Katherine at 732-293-1090. Back by popular demand the Calendars feature old photographs from Perth Amboy. Sponsored by the Kearny Cottage Historical Association and the Friends of Perth Amboy Free Public Library. Calendars are \$10 Each.

#### Novena to St. Rita

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

Recite the Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be three times each. **K.M. & C.M.** 

Remember to Say Your Novenas!

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#### Prayer to St. Jude

*To be said when problems arise* or when one seems to be deprived of all visible help, or for cases almost despaired of.

Most holy Apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the name of the traitor who delivered our beloved Father into the hands of His enemies has caused you to be forgotten by many, but the Church honors and invokes you universally, as the patron and invokes you universally, as the patron of hopeless cases, of things almost despaired of. Pray for me, I am so helpless and alone. Make use I implore you, of that particular privilege given to vou, to bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolation and help of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations and sufferings, particularly (Here make your request) and that I may praise God with you and all the elect forever. I promise, O blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor, to always honor you as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to you. Amen.

Thank you, Saint Jude A.L.S.

#### **Miraculous Invocation**

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#### Are You Getting Enough Sleep? PERTH AMBOY - Hackensack

Meridian Health Raritan Bay Medical Center-Perth Amboy, is holding a free Are you Getting Enough Sleep education session Tuesday, February 7, 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in Centennial Hall A, Raritan Bay-Perth Amboy, 530 New Brunswick Ave. Learn about sleep disorders and tips on how to get a better night's sleep. Registration required, call 1-800-560-

#### to St. Theresa Oh Glorious St. Theresa, whom

Almighty God has raised up to aid and counsel mankind, I invite your miraculous intercession. So powerful are you in obtaining every need of body and soul, our Holy Mother Church proclaims you a "prodigy of miracles. The greatest Saint of modern times." Now I fervently beseech you to answer my petition (mention here) and carry out your promise of doing good upon earth of letting fall from heaven a shower of roses, henceforth Dear Little Flower, I will fulfill your plea to be made known everywhere and I will never cease to lead others to Jesus through

days. By the 4th day ask for a sign if prayer is to be answered between 4th and 9th day you will see a rose in a magazine, TV picture, or receive roses, also can get a strange scent of roses in home even if no roses present. Must promise publica-

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PERTH AMBOY - Smith Street Memorial Day 1960

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## **Senior Scene**

#### Happenings

Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m.,

Presbyterian Center, Market St.

Msgr. Gambino Hall, Florida Grove Rd.

Msgr. Gambino Hall, Florida Grove Rd.

Family Life Center, Madison Ave.

Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.

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Family Life Center, Madison Ave.

St. Mary's Seniors, 12 Noon,

Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.

South Amboy Seniors, 12 Noon,

Sacred Heart Seniors, 12 Noon

Memorial Hall, Wash Ave.

Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.

Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m.,

Presbyterian Center, Market St.

Perth Amboy TUES. Jan. 23 Good Shepherd Tuesday Seniors (HS) 12:30 p.m. WED. Jan. 24 Good Shepherd Wednesday Seniors, 12:30 p.m., THURS. Jan. 25 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., MON. Jan. 29 TUES. Jan. 30 Good Shepherd Tuesday Seniors (HS) 12:30 p.m. WED. Jan. 31 Good Shepherd Wednesday Seniors, 12:30 p.m., THURS. Feb. 1 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m.,

**South Amboy** 

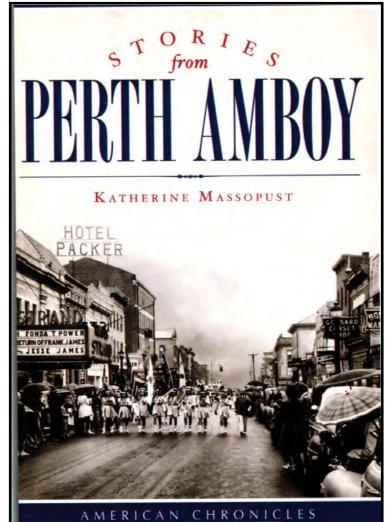
MON. Feb. 5

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MON. Feb. 26

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