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Laying it All Out 6/11/18 Caucus

PERTH AMBOY – One of the topics for discussion at the 6/11/18 Caucus was considering a fee waiver for a handicap parking application. Councilman Fernando Gonzalez was against this because he didn't want to set a precedent. "If someone can afford car insurance and other expenses involving car ownership, then you can afford the handicap fee."

Councilman Fernando Irizarry, who is also on the Handicapped Parking Committee added his comments, "I saw the additional finances of the person who is asking for the fee waiver because they said they couldn't afford it. If we give this person a waiver (of the fee) then we have to look at the financial records of all the other applicants."

The second topic of discussion was runoff elections which was asked to be put on the agenda by Councilman Fernando Gonzalez. He stated that the cost is not

worth the sacrifice of the citizens to have a choice of the majority vote. "Trenton is having another runoff election. Candidates who get into office should have a majority of the vote. This will be a more democracy."

Councilman Joel Pabon added to the discussion, "Let the citizens decide. I received a letter that showed in 1981 why it was cost-saving not to have a runoff election."

Councilman Helmin Caba agreed to let the people decide.

Councilman Gonzalez agreed, and questioned Law Director King if the runoff elections can be form Mayor or Council."

King replied, "Runoffs can be for Mayor and Council. You (the Council) can decide this or it can be done by a petition by the citizens."

Councilman Helmin Caba wanted to know, "How many signatures on the petition would be needed if the Council says

"no" to having runoffs?" He then asked King to do the research.

During the Public Portion, Resident Alan Silber made remarks about runoff elections. "You need to do research. Newark has a Ward System and we don't. A lot of times there is a lot less people voting in runoff elections. Sometimes, the person who came in first in the regular election loses in the runoff elections."

There was a lengthy discussion involving Ordinance No. 2 – An Ordinance to amend an ordinance entitled Wreckers No. 621-92.

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez said he met with people affected by this ordinance and the City Attorney. "I'd like to hear our towers comments. I looked at the Old Bridge Towing Ordinance. They separate the size and weight of the vehicles towed. We

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Wreath Placed Memorializing the 9 Firefighters in Horrific Accident Held on 6/15/18

**Photos by Paul W. Wang*



PERTH AMBOY - On June 15, 1921, the Eagle Engine Company was responding to a fire and had to cross the railroad tracks on Second and Market Streets. (At that time the train tracks were even with the street) The Fire Engine was struck by a locomotive causing the death of 9 firefighters. This was the largest line of duty deaths in the history in the State of New Jersey. The Perth Amboy Fire Department hopes to commemorate this spot with a memorial plaque at Market and Second Streets and at the Perth Amboy Train Station.

On Friday, June 15, 2018, the PAFD watched as Mayor Wilda Diaz and Council President Petrick laid a wreath honoring these fire firefighters killed in this horrific train accident. Also in attendance was Councilman Irizarry.

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Going Around in Circles

6/13/18 Council Meeting

PERTH AMBOY – Resident Ken Balut came up to talk about the Ordinance amending entitled WRECKERS. He stated that some tickets are voided for predatory towing. "Some tickets were dismissed while others were not. Please investigate this." He also commented about R-227-6/18 Authorizing a "Dedication by Rider to the CY2018 Budget for a Specific Trust Fund for the Bridge Perth Amboy I Urban Renewal PILOT Program. Balut stated, "What amounts are going for the schools: City and County? A bill is being passed (regarding this). I am sending your meetings about this to a hearing regarding PILOTS. As soon as Bridge got the PILOT, they ran out of town. School Taxes went up because of the lack of PILOT money. When negotiating a PILOT, you should consider the school system."

Councilman Helmin Caba responded to these remarks, "Balut is right about not being able to read the numbers on the report (dealing with the Bridge PILOT Program). The school board gets nothing. The County gets 12%; the City gets a percentage. It's up to us to give the



Councilman Helmin Caba argues his point **Photos by C. Maxwell*



Mayor Wilda Diaz speaks before the Council regarding Rezoning

schools part of that money. We decided to take surplus money to avoid a tax increase. If we didn't have State funding, we would have been in trouble. (Senator Stephen) Sweeney

(President of the New Jersey Senate) is pushing for 5% for school funding. We have to be diligent in our research."

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South Amboy City Council Meeting - 6/20/18 - 7 p.m.

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Laying it All Out
6/11/18 Caucus

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need to address that here.”

Council President Bill Petrick spoke up, “This ordinance was for personal cars.”

Law Director Peter King then added, “The Old Bridge Ordinance was for heavy duty towing and we don’t have towers to handle large vehicles.”

Patrick then stated, “We can have the towers that are here speak about this ordinance during the public portion.”

Several towers came up to speak during the public portion. The first one was Adel from A&T Towing, “We have a high-density population. Some cars take forever to tow. The last time this ordinance was amended was in the early 2000’s. We need special fees to be set up. There was a 7-car pileup on Smith & Convery recently and it took me a long time to clean up the glass. There should be a formula put into this ordinance. The language needs to be rewritten. Set up a meeting with the towers and there’s too much favoritism. I encourage you to table this. We have to deal with having to tow cars that are parked bumper to bumper. We are 20 years behind with this ordinance. Our insurance and other needs that we have to operate have increased. My property taxes have increased.”

The next tower to speak was James Gougeons from King High Garage. “I am also asking for this ordinance to be tabled. It needs to be rewritten and brought up to speed. It needs to be updated to state codes. The business owners are being robbed.”

The last tower to speak was from a business on Grant Street. She also asked that this ordinance be tabled. “I can get someone from the GSTA (Garden State Towing Association) to show you how you should set up your towing ordinance (fees, equipment, etc.) We have more cars, buses, and vans than in any other towns. If the fees were higher, maybe you wouldn’t have repeat offenders. Mr. Glass from the GSTA is the one who can help you with the ordinance.”

Piggybacking off the Wreckers Ordinance, a member of the Council asked, “What happened to the bus company that a resident had complaints about who was using the parking lot on Sayre Avenue illegally?”

B.A. Adam Cruz responded and said, “The judge denied the last extension, but the prosecutor gave the owner of the bus company more time.”

Law Director King then said, “I can send a notice from the Council to deny any further extensions to the bus company using the lot.”

There was a lengthy discussion on the first reading for Ordinance No. 2. An ordinance to amend an ordinance entitled Zoning and Land Development 1993 Land Development Ordinance of the City of Perth Amboy, NJ regarding downtown area.

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez said, “We need to table this so the public can have an opportunity for further discussion. We haven’t dealt with the Master

Plan and will create density.”

Council President Petrick then said, “Front Street is out, and Second Street was modified.”

B.A. Adam Cruz then reminded the Council, “The Waterfront portion was removed, and the density was reduced (regarding how many stories can be added to an existing structure). We keep kicking this down the road.”

Councilman Helmin Caba then spoke and told Cruz, “I disagree that only a handful of owners will be affected. A lot of business owners are not for this. We have 50,000 people on the books and there are others not counted. You can’t answer how many more kids will be added with these changes. We are running out of space in schools now. Let’s update what we have now.”

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez then spoke up. He said the changes that some businesses want to do can be done now, but they will need to go before the Zoning and Planning Boards. “There are positive and negative things in this plan. Let’s discuss this. We haven’t worked on our Master Plan for 20 years.”

Cruz spoke up again, “You keep getting piecemeal discussions. You go home, then nothing happens. You need to meet with other parties.”

Law Director Peter King then told the Council, “This is the ordinance. You can pass it, then amend it.”

Councilman Pabon spoke up and remembered when the Waterfront residents came out in full force, “I don’t see any businesses here to speak about these proposed changes.”

Gonzalez then suggested we set up one or two meetings dealing with the downtown.

King then told the Council, “You can have additional meetings that can be packed with people that have two different views. Eventually you’ll have to decide.”

Helmin Caba then spoke up again stating the he met with Annie Hindenlang (from the Redevelopment Agency). “Density and Parking are the main issues.”

Gonzalez then suggested that the parking deck should be by the Cathedral, “And maybe there should be two parking decks.”

Councilman Fernando Irizarry then spoke up and stated, “I read this plan every time it’s submitted. I ask about density and parking and there is no change. The concerns have not been addressed.”

Council President Bill Petrick spoke up and said, “There are already ordinances on the books for any business who may want to make changes. I would like to see Woodbridge’s plans for their downtown.”

Helmin Caba spoke up again, “These changes will affect the residents from New Brunswick Avenue to Market Street. We have a lot of mixed use properties. Paramount owns half of the downtown district.” Caba then spoke about the proposed units that may be added, “800 – Harbortown; 600 – Kushner; 400 – Trujillo. Some of these projects are already approved. I don’t want my child in a class that has 50 students. Every time we see

light at the end of the tunnel, we do something silly. We need to be careful. This will affect people 50 years from now. Density will make problems worse.”

Councilman Joel Pabon talked about the transit village. “It will mean more density and more residents. Where can they build?”

Caba then stated, “I second to table this ordinance.”

The Council voted to leave it on the agenda for Wednesday’s meeting.

Additional subjects that were touched on by the public included illegal housing, the roads, and quality of life.

Resident Ken Balut said, "The Home Depot is doing free water testing." He also questioned how City Hall got involved in getting tickets dismissed. He had a question about R-243 which involved an agreement between the City and the Perth Amboy Board of Education to provide additional facilities to be used for recreational programing. "How much does the Y get from the schools? It's a taxpayer funded building. They are doing something about illegal housing in Woodbridge. Code Enforcement harasses me, but do nothing about illegal housing. There are so many school buses going up and down my street now. We have all these people in City Hall that give PILOTS. I'm going to have a complaint against Helmin Caba and the Mayor (serving them subpoenas). If I don't get answers on how much money you are getting for PILOTS."

Resident Alan Silber commented about an accident on Goodwin and Smith Streets. "There's too much traffic. People can't take it and are impatient and get into traffic accidents."

Resident Vince Mackeil came up to speak about Communication 9 regarding the closing of the sidewalk on the Market Street Bridge. "Deputy Police Chief Larry Cattano has submitted a response from New Jersey Transit." Mackeil commented, "Crosswalks need to be marked. The Council said this (Market Street Bridge) should be the chief priority. Railroad ties are being redone on Sunday. Almost 6 years after (Superstorm) Sandy, tennis courts are still not done. Some of the money for that project were redirected to other projects (due to damage caused by Sandy)."

Resident, developer and Chair of the Celebrate Stars & Stripes Committee Barry Rosengarten came up to speak. He invited everyone to the July 3rd Fireworks and Boat Parade, "Be proud of our City. We have a lot to be proud of."

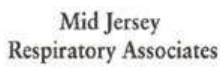
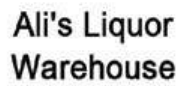
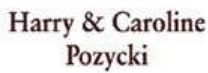
Deputy Chief Cattano answered the question about the Market Street Bridge, whom he stated, "...is really broken up."

Pabon stated we need to communicate with the community that we are doing something about that bridge."

Fire Chief Mullen came forward to inform the public about a Memorial Service for the line-of-duty death of Douglas C. Ambrozewycz which will be held at the end of July. More details on the PAFD Facebook page.



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LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

EDITORIAL

A Tale of Three Cities and Then Some

Perth Amboy, Woodbridge and Metuchen were discussed at the last Perth Amboy City Council Meeting. This is due to the fact that the Council is trying to decide about how they want to approach an ordinance dealing with Rezoning and Land Redevelopment.

Because of the redevelopment that has taken place in downtown Metuchen, and the transit village plans that Woodbridge Township will be developing, Perth Amboy has been compared to these two towns. Each town is unique. What works in one town cannot necessarily be successful in another town.

At the last Perth Amboy Council Meeting on 6/13/18, Perth Amboy Resident Alan Silber said something that was very telling. He said he goes to Metuchen around once a week to the Whole Foods Store, but to his wife, there is nothing there for her.

When you look at a town, there's a lot of factors as to what business will be successful, like they say: supply and demand. If it's what the people want, they will come.

Some people will come to a certain town because it reminds them of their own country and/or they have relatives that are already living there. If a town reminds them of their own culture, it's more likely that an individual may relocate there.

Another important aspect, although many will not acknowledge it, some towns offer many more social services than other towns.

No matter which way you look at it, Woodbridge Township has much more land to redevelop.

I used to jokingly tell people that I think years ago that someone from Woodbridge changed the boundaries in the middle of the night the lines to make Woodbridge larger. The township includes: Woodbridge Proper, Colonia, Iselin, Port Reading, Sewaren, Fords, Avenel, Keasbey, Hopelawn, and Menlo Park Terrace. 10 Communities under one roof.

That's a lot of land to work with.

When it comes to the average salaries of families living in

Woodbridge and Metuchen, it's a sure bet it's much higher than the average Perth Amboy family.

Although all three town share a rich history, this is what Perth Amboy needs to capitalize on the most. I don't know how many times we have to repeat that we have been deemed as one of the most historical cities in the United States. I do believe that people do want to have a home here, especially if you have a large family. Perth Amboy has a walkable downtown and as a whole the City has many places within walking distance. Our public transportation has always been convenient and accessible.

I think we missed a golden opportunity when an organization wanted to bring a train museum here.

When it comes to a transit village, you have to start by making the train station ADA compliant. I am very happy to see the northbound stairs repaired.

Everything will eventually fall into place in due time. We understand that the Council must come to a decision on the matter of Rezoning and Land Redevelopment. In the meantime, I know that Mayor Diaz mentioned some of the codes need to be updated and that should be a priority. There are many approved projects that are coming into fruition which is a positive. In the meantime, businesses who wish to make some positive improvements should still pursue them, but you have to go through the proper channels to see if it's possible.

While we are waiting for the final decision to be made by the Council, we are happy to see the companies that are filling those warehouses on outer High and State Streets. We're also happy to see the former Gerda Ameristeel being redeveloped. The more eyesores we get rid of, the better it is for Perth Amboy.

In conclusion, we're looking forward to all the Summer activities coming up, especially the July 3rd Celebrate Stars and Stripes Fireworks and first time Patriotic Boat Parade. Hope you enjoy it as much as we do.

C.M. & K.M.

THE COMMUNITY VOICE

New Gun Laws?

There was a recent report about new gun laws. A century ago America passed the Eighteenth Amendment to control the manufacture, sale, and import of alcoholic beverages. Its purpose was to eliminate poverty, immoral behavior, and violence to create happier families

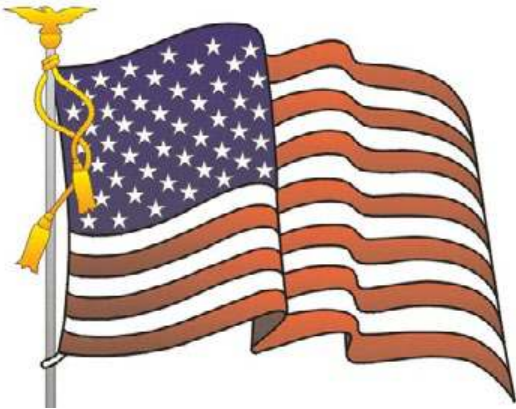
and a better world. The opposite effect led to its abolition after fifteen years.

Fifty years ago, America passed the 1968 Gun Control Act to reduce gun violence and create a better world. The number of violent firearm deaths then was 15,000 (suicides and murders). After 25 years this number doubled, rising to 40,000 a few years ago. Then a

few states liberalized their gun laws and the number decreased to the present 35,000.

If a law resulted in the opposite of its promised effect shouldn't it be abolished? If gun control laws created more violent deaths what should be done?

Ronald A. Sobieraj



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***Historic Surveyor
General's Office***

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

Free tours are available Mondays & Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Clubs, classrooms & groups are welcome. Come & view this newly restored building!

*Proprietary
House Open*

PERTH AMBOY - The Proprietary House, the last official Royal Governor's residence still standing in the original 13 colonies, is open every Wednesday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., for tea and tours. Tea is served in our atmospheric candle-lit wine cellar, and includes our delicious homemade desserts and assorted teas. A \$10 donation, \$5 for children under 12, covers both the tea and a mansion.

Although the house is still in the process of being restored, some rooms have been newly decorated. Go back in time and learn about William Franklin and other residents of the house. It's a perfect way to spend a pleasant afternoon. The gift shop is also open.

Groups are welcome, although reservations are required for groups over six people. The Proprietary House is located at 149 Kearny Ave., Perth Amboy, NJ. Tel. 732-826-5527 E-mail: info@proprietaryhouse.org. Follow us on our website, www.theproprietaryhouse.org and/or Facebook.

Community Calendar

Perth Amboy

MON. Jun. 25 City Council, Caucus, 4:30 p.m.
City Hall, High St.

WED. Jun. 27 City Council, Regular, 7 p.m.
City Hall, High St.

THURS. Jun. 28 Historic Preservation Commission, 7 p.m.
City Hall, High St.

South Amboy

WED. Jun. 20 City Council, Regular, 7 p.m.
City Hall, N. Broadway

**Check our website www.amboyguardian.com for updates on meeting times and places*

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

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Friday, June 29th
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Ceremony to be followed by a wreath presentation.

Mr. Peterson was the first to vote under the 15th Amendment
Unveiling ceremony location is at 188 Rector St., Perth Amboy, NJ

Lady Warriors - Perth Amboy Champions

**Photos Submitted by Junior Iglesia*





By: Junior Iglesia, Parent
PERTH AMBOY – The Perth Amboy Soccer Club Lady Warriors made the Perth Amboy Community proud after winning the Mid Jersey Youth Soccer Flight Three Division Championship. They defeated the Branchburg Bombers to obtain the flight championship and made it to the playoff games. Playing the different flight champions was a great challenge. This group of young athletes attending the Perth Amboy Dual Language School accomplished greatness. The game was tough, but the Perth Amboy Lady Warriors played their best game to defeat the flight fourth champions. The joy of their proud parents was visible as they chanted “!Si se Puede!” (Yes we can!) The playoff semifinal presented to be the biggest obstacle to overcome to reach the Mid-Jersey Youth Soccer grand finale. The game was not easy as the Tewksbury Leopard showed their soccer skill and talent. However, they were no match for the Lady Warriors playing abilities. They won 2-1 in a close game to pass to the playoff grand finale against Fire Soccer Club Flight one champion. The Lady Warriors made their best effort and played with an unseen level of game intensity. In the end, the Lady Warriors won second place in the Mid New Jersey Youth Soccer girls U-11. This group of skill and talented young girls had raised the soccer playing bar very high not only in Perth Amboy but in Central New Jersey. As a result, we are all very proud their accomplishment. Congratulations Lady Warriors!!!!

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Local Financial Services Professional Earns National Certification

Press Release 6/6/18
OLD BRIDGE – Sylvia Rapoport, Vice President & Marketing Manager, Amboy Bank, was recently awarded the Certified Financial Marketing Professional (CFMP) certification from the American Bankers Association.

“We are proud of her earning the CFMP certification, which reflects her experience and depth of bank marketing knowledge,” said Greg Scharpf, Executive Vice President & Chief Retail Banking Officer.

The CFMP certification is awarded to individuals who demonstrate excellence in the field of financial services marketing. To qualify for the CFMP certification, individuals must have certain levels of experience and education in the financial services marketing profession, pass an exam and agree to abide by a code of ethics. The CFMP exam covers many areas including financial principles, laws and regulations, market research, characteristics of marketing plans, and marketing components.

Rapoport, who joined Amboy Bank in 2007, has over 15 years of business marketing experience. In her role as Vice President, Marketing Manager, she manages the bank’s in-house agency and is responsible for advertising, public relations, communications and the bank’s marketing research programs. A resident of Holmdel, Rapoport earned a Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science from Rutgers University. She serves as the Chairwoman of The New Jersey Bank Marketing Association and is a member of The



Sylvia Rapoport

NJ Ad Club. She was honored as a Best Marketing and Communications Professional under 40 by the NJ Ad Club and the Jersey Shore Public Relations & Advertising Association.

Financial services professionals, working through ABA, initiated the CFMP certification and seven others in order to establish meaningful standards of knowledge in specialty areas of the financial services industry. ABA Professional Certifications formally recognize those who meet these standards and meet professional continuing education and development requirements.

ABA Professional Certifications promote the highest standards of performance in the financial services industry by validating individuals’ knowledge and expertise. For more information, call 202-663-5092 or visit www.aba.com/certifications.

Rotary Foundation of Woodbridge-Perth Amboy Scholarships Awarded

Press Release 6/20/18
WOODBIDGE - The Rotary Club of Woodbridge-Perth Amboy Foundation has awarded scholarships in the amount of \$35,000 to twenty-four students in Woodbridge Township. This scholarship opportunity was made available to senior high school students of Woodbridge Township who are pursuing a post-high school full-time course of study at an accredited college, university, trade school, or other educational institution.

“We are proud to have offered this opportunity to our high school students every year for the past 25 years,” commented Dov Ehrlich, Foundation Committee Chairperson. “The opportunities for young people through Interact Clubs and the Rotary Exchange Program, have given Woodbridge

students opportunities to learn through community service and to travel to other countries to learn about other cultures firsthand.”

In addition to the scholarship program, Rotary Club of Woodbridge-Perth Amboy maintains a mentoring program with students at the Patten Elementary School in Perth Amboy, organizes a coat drive in the winter, provides food to local food banks, and contributes money and manpower to multiple worthwhile causes. For more information about the club visit w-parotary.org, or contact Club President Raj Menon at 908-477-5905. The Club maintains a Facebook page as well, <https://www.facebook.com/RotaryClubOfWoodbridgePerthAmboy7510>

Street Fair

SOUTH AMBOY – Come enjoy the South Amboy Street Fair, Saturday, June 23, 2018 (rain date: Sunday, June 24, 2018) from 12 noon to 5 p.m. on Broadway. Vendors, Food, Drinks, Music, Children Activities. Fun for all ages!!! For more information, please contact events@southamboynj.gov. Hosted by the City of South Amboy. www.southamboynj.gov

Ready for Summer Raffle

SOUTH AMBOY - South Amboy Elks #784, 601 Washington Rd., South Amboy Ready for Summer Raffle: Hand Made Decorative Wood Cooler Filled with Goodies! \$5.00 Donation. Drawing Date: Friday, June 29, 2018 at 8 p.m. PERMIT# 444629541 RA-12-2018.



Raritan Bay Cruisers Car Show

WOODBIDGE- Tuesdays from May 15th - Oct. 9th from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. at Pizza Hut, Rte. 9, Woodbridge (Wal-Mart Parking Lot) Weather Permitting. Rock & Roll Music, Trophies, Kids Games, and Just Family Fun. For more info about Cruise Night Call 1-732-407-2396.

Cruise Nights on Broadway

SOUTH AMBOY - Come join DJ Richie, The Flash and Crew for great cruise nights the third Wednesday of every month from June to October from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Music from the 50's to the 80's Trophies will be awarded - Bring the Family! For additional information please contact carshowsRus@gmail.com or Mike Toth at mtoth1@optonline.net or 908-930-3497. Sponsored by the City of South Amboy.

Fireworks

Woodbridge Township
SEWAREN – Woodbridge Township Annual Independence Day Fireworks!! Bring your lawn chairs and join us under the stars. Alvin P. Williams Memorial Park, Sewaren, NJ. Tuesday, July 3, 2018. Rain date: July 5, 2018. Gates open at 4 p.m. Park is closed all day. No reserved seating. No alcoholic beverages permitted. Fireworks will be simulcasted on 1079 WOLD.

Annual City- Wide Yard Sale

SOUTH AMBOY - Saturday, June 23, 2018, 8:00 a.m. - June 23, 2018, 4:00 p.m. Rain Date: June 24, 2018. *New this year: You can register your address for a list that will be available to inform shoppers as to which homes will be participating. This is optional, not mandatory*. Deadline for registration is June 19th, 2018. If interested in registering or have any questions, please contact Jaclyn at (732) 525-5965 or events@southamboynj.gov. *This event is also the same day as the City Business Street Fair. Make your way downtown that day and support your local businesses! Sponsored by the City of South Amboy.

Tom's Tax Tips

Six Home Ownership Tax Benefits

Courtesy of Tom Ploskanka C.P.A.

If you own or are considering purchasing a home, you can take advantage of many tax benefits. Here are six of the most commonly used homeowner taxbreaks:

1. **Mortgage interest deduction.** You can deduct the interest you pay in your monthly mortgage bill when you itemize deductions on your tax return. This can be a huge benefit, especially in the early years of a mortgage. That's because typically about 80 percent of your mortgage bill in your first year of home ownership on a 30-year mortgage goes toward interest. Principal payments typically don't exceed interest until year 18 of a 30-year mortgage.
Note: This benefit is capped to apply to \$750,000 in indebtedness for new loans beginning in 2018 (\$1 million for loans taken out in 2017 or earlier).
2. **Property tax deductions.** You can deduct up to \$10,000 in combined state and local taxes. Called the SALT deduction, this can be used to deduct local property taxes, state income taxes, and state and local sales taxes.
3. **Closing cost deductions.** You can deduct some of the closing costs of a home purchase in the year you buy it. This includes things like real estate taxes and mortgage discount points you pay up front to lower your interest rate over the life of your loan. Because each point costs 1 percent of your total mortgage amount, the tax deduction on these costs can be substantial.
4. **Home improvement tax breaks.** If you take out a second mortgage or what is commonly called a home equity mortgage and use it to buy, build or substantially improve your home, you can deduct the interest on that loan from your taxes. This feature is now grouped into your total mortgage indebtedness, which is capped at \$750,000.

Caution: Interest on home equity loans used for any other means (e.g., to pay down credit card debt or to purchase a car) is no longer deductible.

5. **Energy-efficiency tax breaks.** There are special tax breaks available for renewable energy and energy-efficiency upgrades to your house:

- The cost to buy and install solar, wind and geothermal equipment to your main residence or a second home can be deducted by 30 percent.
- Energy-efficient upgrades can be deducted by 100 percent for items such as central air conditioning, furnaces and water heaters, capped at a total of \$500.

6. **Capital gains exclusion.** You have the ability to exclude up to \$250,000 of profits (or \$500,000 if you are married) from the sale of your home, as long as it's your primary residence and you've lived there at least two years.

Remember, if you're thinking of buying a home, you'll want to make a tax review part of your preparation. Because the tax deductions on mortgage interest and points can be so substantial in the early years of home ownership, they may factor in to how much home you can afford.

Friends of Perth Amboy Free Public Library Meeting

PERTH AMBOY – The Friends of Perth Amboy Free Public Library are having a meeting on Tuesday, June 19, 2018 at 6 p.m. at the Perth Amboy Free Public Library (Children's Library), 196 Jefferson St. Everyone is welcome to attend. For more info, call 732-261-2610.

South Amboy Republican Organization

SOUTH AMBOY - Hello Amboy Residents. Recently the South Amboy Republican Organization has been formed and we are thrilled to be open to the public to grow our party and ideas. Our next meeting will be on the 28rd at Buddies Tavern at 7:00 p.m. in Parlin. There will also be another meeting on the 25th of July, same place and time! We also have a Facebook group titled the “South Amboy Republican Organization”. Thank you for reading and we hope to see you there!

Welcome to the Celebration

WOODBIDGE - Woodbridge Township will be 350 years old in 2019!!!! The 350th Sesquicentennial Anniversary will celebrate the traditions of our Township with events and activities that create civic pride and foster community partnerships that honor the past, celebrate the present, and anticipate the future in the days and months leading up to the Grand Community Celebration on June 1, 2019.

The Woodbridge 350th Sesquicentennial Committee has been established to plan festivities and events for the Township's 350th anniversary celebration.

Code of Conduct Passed; Machado Law Group Retained & Student Presentations

6/14/18 Board of Education Meeting

By: Katherine Massopust
PERTH AMBOY – There were several presentations at the 6/14/18 Board of Education Meeting. The first presentation was to honor Matthew Wechter of Wilentz School. Principal of Wilentz School R.L. Anderson stated, “Self-discipline, honesty, and integrity. After we leave secondary education, what we remember is values. Mr. Wechter represents all of that. Congratulations to Matthew Wechter for being the 2017-2018 Middlesex County Teacher of the Year!”

When Matthew Wechter came up to speak he said, “This award is not about me. It’s about everything going on since the past 7 years. I want to thank the Administration and my family for their support.”

Baseball Coach Alex Perez was honored as Coach of the Year. Also honored were two of the players.

The Hispanic American Achievement Award, Heroes and Cool Kids Club, Be the Change, and the Communication Academy Class of 2021 were honored.

There were three performances: the McGinnis School Band, Cadet and Color Guard won for the 2017-2018 Best Overall Band. They gave a brief performance at the meeting.

The Dual Language Kindergarten Class wore Red, White and Blue and sang “This is Your Land” in English and Spanish. Superintendent Dr. David Roman stated, “This precious commodity is from Perth Amboy. They have biliteracy on their diplomas. Children of this community speak two languages. This is the first Dual Language Academy in New Jersey. It’s going to go to the 6th Grade.”

The third performance was the Patten School Chorus. Dr. David Roman stated, “A group of amazing young children with young voices represented Perth Amboy wonderfully.” They sang, “The Power of One.”

Dr. David Roman then showed a short film on the success and improvements being made in the district. He stated that there is a 16% increase (in 4 years) in the graduation rate. It was 76% in 2017. The first standalone Dual Language Academy in New Jersey achieved the Seal of Biliteracy.

Board President Ken Puccio made the following comments, “This district is moving forward. For years we were the bottom of the barrel. No longer. We’re rocketing up!”

Dr. David Roman stated, “We’re committed to our children. We are collectively working together. The Board of Education – they sit with us at committee meetings. I want to acknowledge the Board’s commitment.”

No one spoke at the first public comments on agenda items only.

Board Member Junior Iglesia had some comments on the Code of Conduct. “I would like to make the following recommendations: The Code of Conduct is too long and the vocabulary

use – we are mindful of students, parents, etc.)

1) I felt it was written for a police officer. Students, parents and families will find the language difficult.

2) The behavior expectancy needs to correlate with behavior. Such as cutting classes for the 6th Grade. I don’t see how these students have this behavior.

3) I recommend a list of expected behavior rather than stated in one sentence. We need to be more concrete than vague. We need to distinguish behavior for K-12 any disruptive behavior in the environment. I recommend dividing 6-12. Have a category and explicit lists that clearly lay every behavior, so we can all be on the same page.”

Board Vice President Milady Tejada stated, “I understand that will be between the parent and the student.”

Board Member Tashi Vasquez stated, “I want to thank the parents, teachers, and staff. Everyone recognizes we need to take a different approach. I hope we can continue to address this.”

Board Member Anton Massopust stated, “This is not written in stone. We can add to it. If we don’t pass it, we haven’t got anything. We’ve got to give it a try.”

Superintendent Dr. David Roman stated, “It would be available online the first day. This will continue to evolve.”

Board Member Junior Iglesia then said, “I recommend we need to approve this code of conduct.”

On Page 36. No. 107 on the Agenda, there was an appointment to a new position of Physical Education & Health (PreK-8) Supervisor.

Board Member Junior Iglesia stated, “We are not in a financial position to have the funding for this position.” He stated that the Board has a responsibility to the taxpayers and that New Jersey pays the highest tax rate in the United States (2.94%). He then stated that there was \$2 million added to the budget to balance the budget. “Voting for another supervisor position is voting to raise taxes.”

Dr. Roman then stated, “The allocation was Board approved months ago. This position has already been Board approved. We are statistically below in this district compared to other school systems in the state.”

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Richard Chromey stated, “As far as the needs of a poor urban district, we’re right there.”

During the public portion, Resident and Guardian Debra Foley came up to speak about the recent incident at Shull School involving active shooter threats in text messages. “I want to thank the Vice Principals, thank Mr. Massopust. My Great-Nephew was crying. He didn’t want to come back to school. I still have parents calling from that horrible day. My two nephews were sent to the high school in a bus without my permission. On that day, that morning I was scared. I was afraid some nut was going to shoot up our school. I heard you say if it was for safety that

we weren’t told. When I met the principal there was chaos in Shull School. Every kid that goes there deserves safety and respect. I need that to be addressed.”

Resident Sharon Hubberman came up to speak, “I have received phone calls about this day. We have poll clerks starting at 5:15 a.m. to 8 p.m. There was no communication to the poll clerks or those voters who came to vote. All elections are at our schools. If there is an alert. I didn’t see a number or text to communicate. When will you have a protocol in place? There should be more effort in case this happens.”

Lorraine McCartney came up to speak next. “I am a Democratic Committeewoman from W6D10. I was working the polls that day at Shull School. Absolutely no one came to that room to let us know what’s going on. I walked out the door to see a swat team with guns drawn when I came out. When things are going on – I don’t have a kid in school, so I don’t know how to react. There was a shelter in place and none of us knew it. It’s all across America. Thank God it was a false alarm. What if you come in during your lunch break to vote and can’t leave the building? Some people were denied their right to vote.”

Parent Beatriz Fortes came up to speak. “No one was informed. No announcement – nothing. It was chaotic. No one has addressed this at all. No one was taken out of the building. Something has to be done. What I saw was really bad. Just to see the fear in the parent’s eyes. Security was alerted. Many people weren’t. We need to find out what happens next. No one wants to give you information. I saw everything. It was chaotic. The children, the fear – my fear.”

Board Member Jesus Martinez addressed some of the concerns, “I want to commend teachers in an active shooter situation. There is a clash between constitutional rights and security. I spent time in Israel. Security pertains to every single one of us. The first school attacks were in the 1500’s by rural American Indians. Because of what happened in 1999 Colorado it was brought to light. The Perth Amboy Police Department practices Active Shooter training each year. It’s unfortunate that it occurred. These things happen. In these instances, seek safety – get under a table. We are either going to be a victim or fight back. An AR-15 can fire 3500 ft/sec and spins. We must formulate in the future. There is no transparency with the police. Their job is to do a crime scene there. I will take the lead, and this will never happen again.”

Superintendent Dr. David Roman stated, “We had a meeting with the Police and Fire Department. I have 100% faith in Mayor Wilda Diaz and the Board of Education. It was chaos, but controlled chaos. The

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Matthew Wechter (C) of Wilentz School was named 2017-2018 Teacher of the Year for Middlesex County *Photos by Katherine Massopust



PAHS Baseball Team Coach Alex Perez with two of the players. Perez was named Coach of the Year



McGinnis School Marching Band



The Dual Language Kindergarten Class wore Red, White and Blue and sang “This is Your Land” in English and Spanish.



The Patten School Chorus sings: "The Power of One."

6/14/18 Board of Education Meeting

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threat was being investigated. It was an external threat. Rumors going around in texts and email. Actively assessing the situation. We cannot give you answers all the time. There are things in place to allow us to address these issues to keep children safe.”

Board President Ken Puccio stated, “I was there that day. All of us go through active shooter training and lockdown training.”

Dr. David Roman said, “We

will work with protocols. Safety is our number one measure. We take this very seriously. We are 100% united.”

Board Member Jesus Martinez stated, “This is a community agenda. You cannot assume that a threat has been contained. Don’t text – call 911 – describe vocally. Notice if a backpack is extremely heavy. Most active shooters carry 300-5000 rounds of ammo.”

Board Member Junior Iglesia asked how many drills they have.

Carmen Southward Director of Operations came up to speak, “Two each at each school. It is

solidified by the State and mandated.”

The Board went into Executive Session at 9:28 p.m. to make a decision on what law firm will represent the Board for the 2018-2019 school year. The Machado Law Firm was chosen. All Board Members were present.

Attend Public Meetings Have Your Voice Heard!

Grand Opening of the Perth Amboy Police Department’s Community Policing Substation on the Cathedral International Campus and Celebrating Senior Pastor, Donald Hilliard’s 61st Birthday

Press Release

PERTH AMBOY - “We give God glory for the new opportunity for the Perth Amboy Police Department to have its Community Policing Substation on our Campus,” stated Bishop Donald Hilliard, Jr., Senior Pastor of Cathedral International. “This will most certainly add a degree of safety to the entire downtown Perth Amboy community.”

All are invited to attend the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony of the Community Policing Substation located at 282B Madison Avenue, Perth Amboy, NJ, Sunday, June 24, 2018. This will take place immediately following the 9:30 AM Worship Service at The Cathedral, 277 Madison Avenue, Perth Amboy, NJ. Perth Amboy’s Mayor, Wilda Diaz and Perth Amboy’s Chief of Police, Roman McKeon will participate in the Ceremony. “We thank God for this historic day of collaboration with the City of Perth Amboy,” said Pastor Michael Wilkerson Leach, Pastor of Administrative Affairs and Chief Operating Officer.

In addition, Cathedral International will celebrate the 61st Birthday of Bishop Hilliard

with an Outdoor Street Festival with free food, face painting for children, basketball and other games and activities. We welcome everyone to join the celebration.

ABOUT CATHEDRAL INTERNATIONAL

Formerly known as the historic Second Baptist Church, Cathedral International celebrates 114 years of ministry this year. Under the leadership of Bishop Donald Hilliard Jr., the 5,000-member, multigenerational, multicultural church serves communities of Perth Amboy, Asbury Park and Plainfield.

The Community Policing Substation on the Cathedral International Campus is another milestone in the God-glorifying journey of Cathedral International. As we celebrate we pause and look back with thanksgiving!

- 1990 - Former Majestic Theater purchased and renovated into The Cathedral Sanctuary
- 1992 - Former Elks Building purchased and dedicated as the Family Life Center
- 1994 - Former Madison Pines restaurant (282 Madison Ave.)

purchased and renovated into the Cathedral Café; purchased 284 Madison Avenue rental property and dedicated as Cathedral Technology Center

- 1995 - Former Margaretten Mortgage building and two parking lots purchased and later named the Donald Hilliard, Jr., Community Affairs Complex.

- 1995 and 1997 - Purchased residential properties at 280 and 282 McClellan Street and converted into the Mercy House and the Timothy House

- 1997 - Purchased Cathedral by the Shore Church, Asbury Park, NJ

- 1999 - Purchased home next door to Cathedral by the Shore Church and named it Asbury Park Community Cornerstone Complex

- 2001 – 2002 – Built new townhouses named Cathedral Village; purchased rental property (Kaleidoscope); purchased Amboy Florist; purchased former Oasis Bar (Asbury Park)
- 2004 - Closed on 101 acres in Cranbury, NJ
- 2016 – Planted Cathedral Gardens at Cathedral International Farm. Cranbury, NJ

Saint Stan’s 2018 Carnival Fact Sheet

SAYREVILLE - St. Stan’s 2018 Carnival will be held on the Church Grounds at 225 MacArthur Avenue, Sayreville, New Jersey, on Wednesday, June 20, 2018 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.; Thursday, June 21, 2018 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.; Friday, June 22, 2018 from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. – SCHOOL ALUMNI NIGHT; Saturday, June 23, 2018 from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. Great selection of HOME-MADE American and Polish-Ethnic foods. Seafood area featuring Steamed & Raw Clams, Peel-&-Eat Shrimp, Nightly Fish Fry. Awesome nightly specials at Pizza’s Main Street Café. B & T’s Barbeque Ribs serving several thousand pounds. Ice Cream, Funnel Cakes, Zeppole and more scrumptious desserts for all ages. Beer Garden featuring Domestic & Imported Beer along with Wine (21 or older). RIDES:

At Least 14 rides for Kiddies through Adults to enjoy. Pre-Sale DISCOUNTED ride tickets available for purchase prior to the carnival from Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. & Tuesday evenings 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Call the Parish Office at 732-254-0212 for details. Fri. 6/15 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm Front of Sayreville Seafood (141 Main St. Sayreville); Sat. 6/16 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Front Entrance St. Stan’s School (221 MacArthur Ave.); Prior to Bingo at Saint Stan’s Auditorium Thursdays - 6/7, & 6/14, 2018; Sunday’s - 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 2018. GAMES: Fabulous prizes for all ages; Las Vegas MONEY WHEEL & PULL TABS for adults (18 or older); Nightly 50/50s each night & Our Giant-Supper 50/50 to be drawn on Saturday Night; St. Stan’s School 8th Grade Special Fundraiser Raffle. ENTERTAINMENT:

Financial Aid for Dreamers & Undocumented Students Workshop

PERTH AMBOY - Workshop will be Wednesday, June 20, 2018 at 4 p.m. at 56 Brighton Ave. Come find out if you are eligible & get one-on-one application assistance. What you need:

- Your 2016 taxes (if you filed)
- Your Parent’s 2016 Taxes (if they did not file bring their W2 or paystubs)
- Your High School ID Number (found on your high school transcripts)
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Going Around in Circles

6/13/18 Council Meeting

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Resident John Dyke came up to speak regarding R-249 – 6/13 – A nonbinding letter of intent for the purchase of property at 228 High St., Perth Amboy known as the Knights of Columbus Property. Dyke said, “I’m all for this.” He said that the community is interested in what the City will be using the land for.

Council President Petrick responded, “We don’t know what the intent is. It’s a real estate purchase.”

Dyke then told the Council, “It is the City’s 300 Anniversary, which includes the Anniversary of the Mayor’s Office, the City Clerk’s Office and other departments in that building.”

Resident Alan Silber came up to speak about R-227. He stated that New Jersey Spotlight had an article about PILOT Programs and about a bill that Stephen Sweeney is sponsoring. Sweeney said he’s against the abuse of PILOT Programs.” Silber then continued, “The whole intent of an OPRA Request is to get info from the public and you (the Council) are supposed to be working with us. The League of Municipalities are against this legislation (proposed by Sweeney). They get donations from politicians.” He then mentioned R-249. “At one time, it was a proposed parking lot, but it takes just one person to object to the intent.”

Resident David Caba came up to speak and asked if there was any studies done on Rector Street (because of poor road conditions). It’s been 12 years (in that condition).

Petrick responded, “We didn’t get a date, but we have a promise that it’s going to be done. I think High Street should be done before Rector.”

David Caba then continued, “Since some people at the Landings got a settlement, they no longer complain.”

Petrick Stated, “They (those residents) have a non-disclosure clause.”

Business Administrator Adam Cruz then spoke up, “High Street and Rector Street are going to be looked at. The prices per block on High Street are being looked at first, according to a statement that Frank Hoffman said at the Caucus Meeting on Monday (6/11/18).”

There again was a lengthy discussion regarding Ordinance No. 2 - First Reading – An Ordinance to amend an Ordinance entitled “Zoning and Land Development.”

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez voted to table this. It was seconded by Councilman Helmin Caba. Caba explained why he wanted this done. He started to read off some statistics. He said: “There is a proposed 800 unit complex going up in Harbortown - Halpern; a 600 unit complex – Kushner; and 400 unit complex – Trujillo. This is going to impact New Brunswick Avenue and Market Street, adding thousands of units. Our schools are overcrowded big-time. Out of 565 Municipali-

ties, we are #27 on the list of the most overcrowded. For a population 49,000 we are ranked #138. There are good things happening, but my concerns are the overpopulation and parking which are negative. This will be adding more cops, firemen, EMT’s which means higher taxes. We have a lot of homeless people on Smith Street. The Master Plan has not been updated since 2003. We need to update the Master Plan first.”

Fernando Gonzalez agreed this should be tabled until the next meeting. He said, “When people talk about what Woodbridge is doing, you have to understand that they are 24 square miles and we are 4.4 square miles. Zoning is not easy to understand.”

Councilman Fernando Irizarry then spoke up and stated, “We have to look at current trends. People are not interested in buying houses. Let’s look at Metuchen, which is similar to us. If we go slow (making changes) people will go to other cities that are building up.”

Councilman Caba responded to Irizarry, “With Woodbridge and Metuchen, they were forced to build those units by the Supreme Court.”

Pabon then added some comments, “Outside of the people who come regularly to the meetings, other people only come here when it’s of interest to them personally. No businesspeople or other people that came here before are showing up to meetings. We know of the overcrowding for years. When professional offices left on top of those downtown buildings, they became empty spaces.”

Helmin Caba answered that it should be up to the building owners to take care of those empty spaces.

Councilman Gonzalez made further remarks. “These are professionals who put these plans together, and they are good (at what they do). But, let’s get something straight. Houses are selling in Perth Amboy at higher prices and going fast.”

B.A. Adam Cruz spoke up and said, “When are you going to have more outreach? We’ve had several meetings already about this (zoning and land redevelopment ordinance) and you keep tabling the item.”

After they spoke, everyone voted “yes” to table except for Joel Pabon who voted “no”. For Resolution R-236 – Contract for Towing Services, for a two-year period retroactive to January 1, 2018 and terminating on December 31, 2019, Fernando Gonzalez requested to table. It was seconded by Helmin Caba. All voted “yes” to table. On the Consent Agenda, R-221 thru R-235 and R-237 thru R-249 was moved by Councilman Fernando Irizarry and seconded by Councilman Fernando Gonzalez.

Mayor Wilda Diaz came up to talk about the Zoning and Land Redevelopment Ordinance. She referenced some of the numbers that Councilman Caba was talking about regarding the student population and the impact that the new units will have on the

school system. She said, “Those numbers tell you the graduation numbers. I talked to the Superintendent of Schools (Dr. David Roman) about the new proposed developments. He said it will not affect the schools. I went to the Urban Mayors Meetings with the Lt. Governor (Shelia Oliver). She said we are looking at the Transit Hub areas. People are downsizing. Not everyone is moving south. They (business owners) don’t want to see empty office spaces. Ten story buildings were never mentioned.”

Council President Petrick spoke up, “We don’t have a handicapped accessible Train Station.”

Mayor Diaz then continued, “Woodbridge Mayor John McCormac is building up Woodbridge and uses PILOTS. You (the Council) didn’t approve PILOTS for housing. More PILOTS will be coming up and Bridge is still here. More of the Bridge Buildings will be occupied and some will be doing job fairs. Our zoning codes are very outdated.”

Petrick spoke again and said, “Businesses can renovate their empty loft spaces now before rezoning changes take place.”

Mayor Diaz responded, “Other cities are building around their train stations.”

Petrick then came back and said, “Woodbridge has parking built into their projects and Metuchen had parking in place before the units were built.”

Mayor Diaz then suggested that the Council go to some of the courses that inform you about projections of buildings in urban cities. "I will let you know when these courses come up. Let’s sit down with the Superintendent of Schools about what impact this will have on our schools (point of entry and graduation rate)."

At this point, Fernando Gonzalez spoke up, “This is the Council Meeting and perhaps we should invite the Superintendent to come here.”

During the public portion, Businessman Pedro Esteves came up to speak. “We have malls that take business away. I have three businesses here and the bigger business are never coming back. We don’t have enough foot traffic to keep us in business with the rent we pay.”

Resident Alan Silber came up, “This Meeting was supposed to be open to the public and the clock should have been set when the Mayor spoke. She spoke for 20 minutes. The County did not do due diligence when it came to the park. What about the Jewel of Perth Amboy: the Waterfront. The Mayor said we are taking the Waterfront out of it for now (the Zoning and Land Redevelopment Ordinance). People are either going to like it or not. I go to Whole Foods in Metuchen once a week. Different towns have different needs and the types of businesses they can support.”

Resident David Caba came up speak, “Councilman Pabon gave me a beautiful drawing of a proposed park. But when did Pabon get this drawing? I hope it’s completed by the time my

grandchildren are born.”

Adam Cruz responded to Caba, “There will be a groundbreaking in July for the park and the construction for the County Park will begin in September.”

Resident Jeremy Baratta came up, “In theory, what does rezoning change? If the rezoning ordinance does not pass, those people who want to make changes can still do them, but will just have to go to various boards (Zoning, Redevelopment, etc.)”

Resident Stanley Sierakowski came up and stated, “The Mayor was wrong about the number of stories that can be added to a building. Will there be an exemption for kicking poor people out? They moved the Board of Social Services in New Brunswick to the outskirts of the city where the industrial area is. The plan will fail. Metuchen’s downtown is beautiful, and they still have dental and law offices there. The only thing that will save the City is education. Look at New Brunswick. Put in a Rutgers’s University Annex.”

Resident Dorothy-Carthy Daniel came up to speak. She spoke about a personal experience she had recently, “In January of this year, one of the ceiling pipes attached to the sprinkler system froze and burst in my apartment. I lost a lot of my belongings. The landlord is not responsible. I urge everyone who lives in apartments to purchase apartment (renters) insurance. It cost me a very small amount a year and because of it, I was able to replace a lot of my belongings and they put me up at a hotel for the full amount of cost until I was able to get back into my apartment.”

During the Council Comments, Helmin Caba said, “The Mayor gave several statements. Our graduation rate has nothing to do with affecting density. Stats that were given are outdated. We’re #3 on the most overcrowded SDA (School Development Authority) Districts. I guarantee the Superintendent doesn’t have the latest data on additional units.”

Mayor Diaz then came up to speak, “There are 16 projects in the works. Gateway has an

estimate of 425 units. Because of remedial work that has to be done, sometimes unit numbers may have to be reduced. This plan (Zoning and Redevelopment) was developed by Rutgers, The State of New Jersey Planners and Businesses. They saw a lot of business potential in our town. (Woodbridge Mayor) McCormac did all the studies. His Council went to different presentations and seminars. I know you (Councilman Caba) are making a case. In the next 20 years, we are looking at 1200 units. We have a number of children that came out of Harbortown.”

Helmin Caba then spoke again, “My advice to the residents – you can find any information you want online. Pedro Esteves said he went to a business meeting and was not aware of all the proposed changes. New Brunswick Avenue to Market Street is a big chunk. The transit village will help businesses, but some plans may overstress our services. We have to make sure we don’t overpopulate our already overpopulated city.”

Fernando Gonzalez then spoke next, “I went to a BID Meeting, and it looked promising that they will try to help the downtown lighting problem. We will be going to another town to see their lighting.”

Councilman Irizarry spoke next, “I would like to see the statutes regarding parking.”

Councilman Joel Pabon said, “We don’t have dates for any additional meetings to speak about the zoning changes. We have someone who comes and talks about a certain park who leaves before the Meeting is over. No one is trying to fudge pictures or dates regarding the park. I want to see a park more than anyone, so I can play in it before my legs give out. I make decisions based on what I think is best. I sleep good every night. I have lived in Perth Amboy for many years and have seen all the contaminated buildings and land (and the changes).”

Council President Petrick thanked everyone who come to the Meetings and those who watched on TV land.

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Ukrainian Cultural Festival in Perth Amboy, NJ

PERTH AMBOY - The 6th Annual Ukrainian Cultural Festival is set for Saturday, June 23, 2018 from 12 noon to 9:00 p.m. on the parish grounds of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church at 686 Alta Vista Pl, Perth Amboy, NJ. The festival will feature the dance shows of traditional Ukrainian dances at 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., church tours, money and baskets raffles, vendors, a traditional Ukrainian food/beer and delicious desserts. The live music band “Anna Maria Entertainment” will play outdoors from 5 p.m. - 9 p.m. Admission to the festival is FREE. For more information call 732-826-0767 or visit us at www.assumptioncatholicchurch.net

Assembly Democrats Legislation Making College Textbooks Affordable Clears Assembly Panel

Press Release 6/18/18
TRENTON - Legislation sponsored by Assembly Democrats Nancy Pinkin, Benjie Wimberly, and Adam Taliaferro to make textbook more affordable for students of higher education was cleared by an Assembly panel on Monday.
The bill requires each institution of higher education, along with their faculty members, to submit a plan to the Secretary of Higher Education to expand the use of open textbooks and commercial digital learning materials to achieve savings for students enrolled in the institution. “Open textbooks” refer to an open educational resource that either is a textbook or can be used in place of a textbook for a course at an institution of higher education.
“The ever-increasing prices of college textbooks are simply becoming unreasonable,” said Pinkin (D-Middlesex). “By implementing open textbooks in college courses, students will save a significant amount of money as well as lower both the amount of and the stresses of

debt after college.”
Under the bill, the secretary will review the plan to ensure that it has the potential to:
• Achieve the highest level of savings for students through the expanded use of open textbooks in courses offered by the institution;
• Produce the highest quality open textbooks that can be easily utilized and adapted by faculty members;
• Ensure that the institution is making a good faith effort to provide open textbooks to students; and
• Provide for the implementation of programs which reduce the cost of commercial digital learning materials in line with federal regulations.
“There are many advantages when it comes to colleges switching to open textbooks,” said Wimberly (D-Bergen/Passaic). “We are helping the environment by saving endless amounts of paper, we are helping students to eat healthier as they will have more to spend on food choices as opposed to class materials, and we are helping to

make college more affordable in New Jersey. Simply put, there is no down side to bringing open textbooks to college campuses.”
The bill requires the secretary to submit a report by July 1 of each academic year to the Governor and the Legislature that provides information on which institutions of higher education are offering open textbooks.
“By professors using digital versions of books, study materials will instantly become more accessible to college students with hectic schedules who simply may not have the time to find a place to sit and read a textbook,” said Taliaferro (D-Cumberland/Gloucester/Salem). “Using open textbooks will ultimately help to increase the college graduation rate in our state. This will, in turn, help both our job market and our economy.”
The measure was substituted by the Senate version, S-768, and was voted out of the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

Trifecta Rocks Carvel, Perth Amboy 6/16/18
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PERTH AMBOY - The Band Trifecta played at Carvel Perth Amboy on Saturday Night 6/16/18 and will e performing again on 6/23/18 at 6 p.m.

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This Week in World War II 75 Years Ago

By: Phil Kohn. *Dedicated to the memory of his father, GM3 Walter Kohn, U.S. Navy Armed Guard, USNR, and all men and women who have answered the country's call in time of need. Phil can be contacted at ww2remembered@yahoo.com.*

Field Marshal Sir Archibald Wavell becomes Viceroy of India on June 18, 1943. Gen. Sir Claude Auchinleck succeeds him as commander-in-chief of military forces in India, although a new East Asia Command will reduce his importance. Churchill makes these appointments because he has lost confidence in the capabilities of Wavell and Auchinleck and wishes to limit their military roles.

In a secret meeting at the *Berghof*, his retreat in Obersalzberg, Bavaria, on June 19, Adolf Hitler orders *Reichsführer-SS* Heinrich Himmler to eradicate Jewish resistance in Eastern Europe within four months by means of the mass evacuation of Jews.

On June 20, "Operation Cartwheel" opens. The U.S. 4th Marines Raider Division lands on Segi Point, New Georgia, in the Solomon Islands, beginning the Central Solomons Campaign. RAF planes bomb the Zeppelin Works at Friedrichshafen, Germany, targeting what is thought to be a radar-production unit. Unbeknownst to the British, they destroy a V-2 rocket-assembly plant there. In Amsterdam, Occupied Netherlands, over 1, 500 Jews are rounded up for deportation to camps in the east. In Detroit, Michigan, a brawl between black and white youths escalates into a full-blown race riot in which mobs of blacks and whites attack each other in various neighborhoods over the next days.

The RAF on June 21 launches a heavy raid on Krefeld, in the Ruhr, but loses 44 aircraft. In the U.S., the National Football League, to accommodate wartime manpower shortages, approves the temporary, one-year merger of two of its franchises. The Philadelphia Eagles and the Pittsburgh Steelers will play out of Pittsburgh as the Phil-Pitt Eagles (referred to by fans and some sports writers as the "Steagles"). Oddly, the league refuses permission for its two Chicago-based teams, the Bears and the Cardinals, to do the same thing.

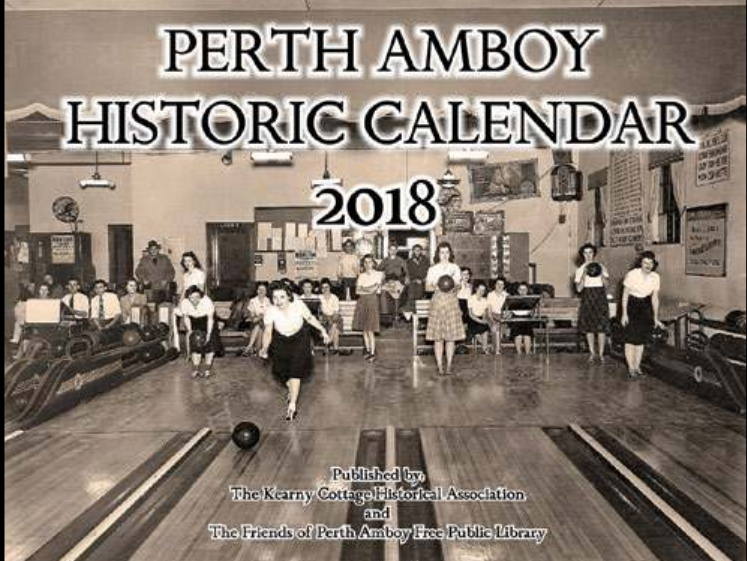
On June 22, President Roosevelt, at the request of Detroit's mayor and Michigan's governor, orders 6,000 federal troops into Detroit to end the rioting there. After three days, 34 people are dead, over 430 injured, and 1,800 arrested. Over \$2 million worth of property is damaged.

U.S. bombers begin major daytime attacks on Germany's Ruhr region on June 23. The Battle of Lababia Ridge on Papua-New Guinea ends after three days of fighting when the Japanese withdraw. The victorious Australians suffer 11 killed and 12 wounded, while the Japanese casualties number 41 killed and 131 wounded. U.S. troops land on Kiriwina Island in the Trobriand Group, in Milne Bay off Papua-New Guinea.

The Royal Air Force on June 24 discovers Wernher von Braun's V-2 research facility at Peenemünde, Germany, on the Baltic Sea.

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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.

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, July 5, 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.



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

PERTH AMBOY – A trip to the Resorts Casino in Atlantic City will be held on Wed. June 27, 2018. Cost \$35 pp.; \$25 back in slot play. Bus will depart from behind St. Stephens Church parking lot on Mechanic Street at 9:30 a.m. Call Bobbi to reserve a seat: 732-636-2867.

A Conversation About Legal Issues Impacting the LGBTQ Community

Press Release 6/8/18
WOODBIDGE - June is Pride Month, which recognizes the accomplishments of, and issues facing, the LGBTQ Community. On Tuesday, June 27 @ 7:00 PM at the Woodbridge Main Library Robyn Gigl, an attorney and activist, will discuss what it means to be LGBTQ and the legal issues those in the community face, as well as how those issues impact society at large. Distinctions between sexual orientation and gender identity will be explored, as well as discussing appropriate and inappropriate terminology, use of names and pronouns. Questions are encouraged throughout.

Robyn has been practicing law for more than 35 years representing clients in state and federal courts in New Jersey. Her practice involves handling complex litigation including employment law, commercial and business litigation, estate litigation and white-collar criminal defense. Robyn lectures frequently on LGBT issues, and in particular on transgender issues in the workplace and schools. Robyn has been interviewed on NPR and spoken to, amongst many others, the New Jersey Judicial College, the Administrative Office of the Courts, the NJ Institute for Continuing Legal Education, the New Jersey State Bar Association.

Robyn appears courtesy of the New Jersey State Bar Foundation Speakers Bureau.

All are welcomed to attend this free event! For more information about our programs please contact the Woodbridge Library at 732-634-4450 or visit our website, www.woodbridgelibrary.org. The Woodbridge Main Library is located at 1 George Frederick Plaza. No registration is necessary for this event.

Pets of the Week



Jackson and Brooklyn are bullmastiff puppies and best of friends. Jackson is a very loving but protective big brother. Brooklyn loves jumping and running around the backyard with her brother. Even when they're not playing in the yard, they are inseparable. Brooklyn loves to rest her head on Jackson when taking naps. They even snuggle with each other on the same bed! Love, Dawn



All the Tea in China

WOODBIDGE - The Barron Arts Center & The Middlesex County Cultural & Heritage Commission Present a Lecture: All the Tea in China August 15, 2018 ~ 7:30 p.m. Tea, the most consumed beverage in China, has been a staple since ancient times. It is drunk in tea houses and work places, on the street and in the parks throughout the day. Learn more about traditional tea varieties and the Chinese tea ceremony known as gong fu cha. Presented by Tea & Food Historian Judith Krall-Russo. FREE admission. Limited Seating. Reservations Essential. Call (732)634-0413. At the Barron Art Center, 582 Rahway Ave., Woodbridge.

Upcoming Events at the Dowdell Library

Press Release 6/18/18
SOUTH AMBOY - Join the Dowdell Library for a live animal program and animation workshop!

Coming in July! Join us for a live animal program presented by Paws Discovery Farms on Wednesday, July 11 at 1:30-3:00 pm. Kids! Don't forget to sign up for the Summer Clubs for a chance to win weekly prizes.

Coming in August for tweens and teens, an innovative animation workshop which will be held Tuesdays August 7, 14, 21 & 28 from 6-8 pm. Learn how to create your own superhero comic and animation skills. Open to South Amboy residents only. Application is available at the Dowdell Library. Limited seating.

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

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

Flea Market

WOODBIDGE - The Barron Arts Center Annual Outdoor Flea Market July 14, 2018 from 8 a.m. to 2:30p.m. RAIN OR SHINE! This year located at Woodbridge's Parker Press Park (400 Rahway Avenue, Woodbridge) Between Walgreens and the NJ Transit Woodbridge Station. Benefits the Woodbridge Township Cultural Arts Commission and future programing at the Barron Arts Center. For more information call 732-634-0413.

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 you, 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 J.M.P.

Novena to St. Jude

Most holy Apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honors and invokes you universally, as the patron of difficult cases, of things almost despaired of, Pray for me, I am so helpless and alone. Intercede with God for me that He 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 - *(make your request here)* - and that I may praise God with you and all the saints forever. I promise, Oh Blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor granted me by God and to always honor you as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to you. Amen **A.L.S.**

Petition to St. Jude

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world, now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us. St. Jude worker of Miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us.

Say this prayer nine times a day for nine days. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised.

Thank you, St. Jude **J.K.**

Miraculous Invocation to St. Therese

O Glorious St Therese, whom Almighty God has raised up to aid and inspire the human family. I implore your Miraculous Intercession. You are so powerful in obtaining every need of body and spirit from the Heart of God. Holy Mother Church proclaims you “Prodigy of Miracles . . . the Greatest Saint of Modern Times.” Now I fervently beseech you to answer my petition *(mention here)* to carry out your promises of spending Heaven doing good upon earth . . . of letting fall from Heaven a Shower of Roses. Little Flower, give me your childlike faith, to see the Face of God in the people and experiences of my life, and to love God with full confidence. Saint Therese, my Carmelite Sister, I will fulfill your plea “to be made known everywhere” and I will continue to lead others to Jesus through you. Amen.

“I will let fall from Heaven . . . a Shower of Roses” – St. Therese

Say this prayer for nine consecutive days. After the ninth day your prayer request will be granted. This prayer must be published after the favor is granted. J.M.P.

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Senior Scene Happenings

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TUES. Jun. 19	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. Jun. 20	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.
•	St. Stephen’s Seniors, 1 p.m., Cafeteria, State St.
THURS. Jun. 21	The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
MON. Jun. 25	St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.
TUES. Jun. 26	Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.
•	Good Shepherd Tuesday Seniors (HS) 12:30 p.m. Msgr. Gambino Hall, Florida Grove Rd.
WED. Jun. 27	Good Shepherd Wednesday Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Msgr. Gambino Hall , Florida Grove Rd.
THURS. Jun. 28	The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
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MON. Jun. 25	Sacred Heart Seniors, 12 Noon Memorial Hall, Wash Ave.
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HEY	BRAG	CHEW
AVE	LAVA	RIDE
MESS	AGES	URGE
AMEN	SEEP	
ALONE	UNIT	
LENT	FEED	AGE
PALACE	WOODEN	
SKY	OATS	WAND
BOTH	DIMES	
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POKE	ANNE	GEE
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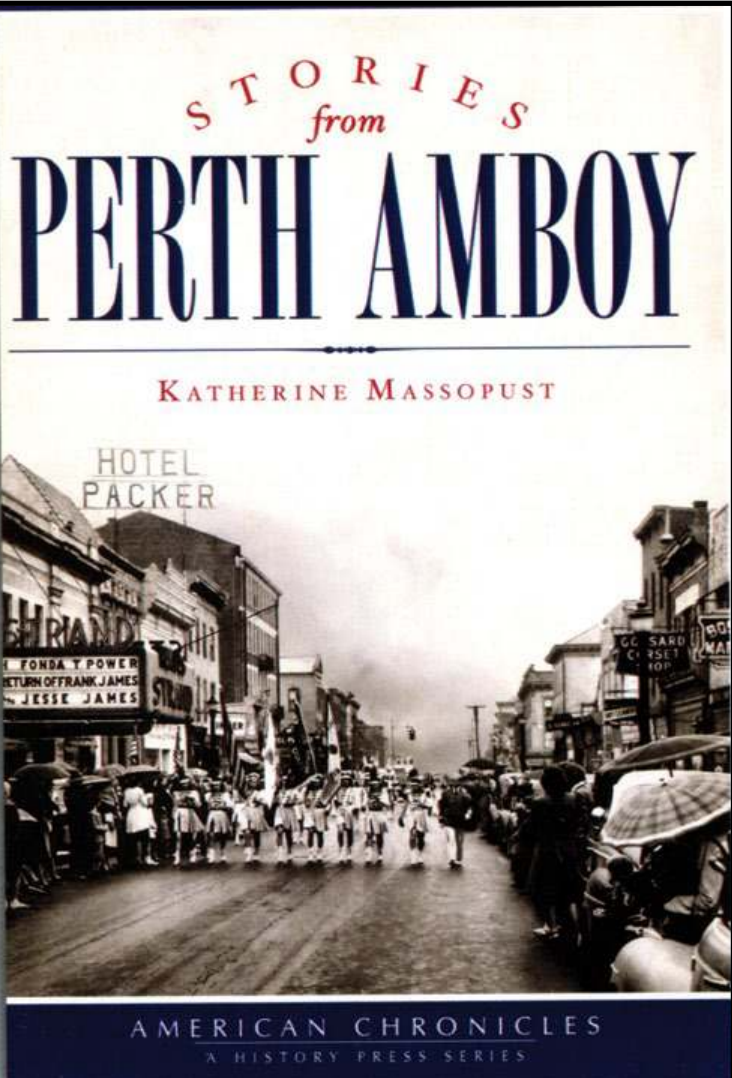
LOOKING BACK



PERTH AMBOY - Protection Hook & Ladder, State Street. circa 1890's

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ACROSS

- 1. Attention-
getting
word
- 4. Boast
- 8. Masticate
- 12. "____
Maria"
- 13. Molten
rock
- 14. Go by car
- 15. Brief
communi-
cations
- 17. Impel
- 18. Prayer
ending
- 19. Ooze (out)
- 20. By oneself

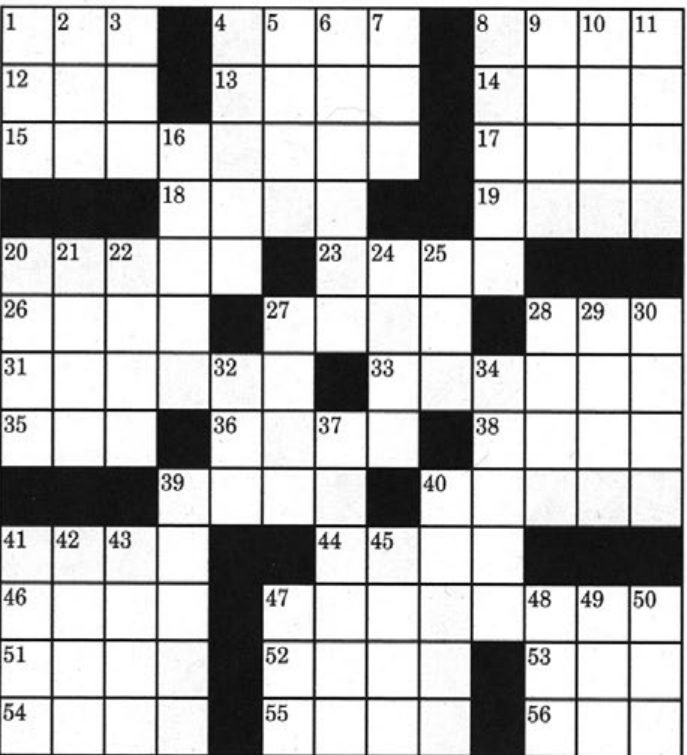
- 23. Fixed
amount
- 26. Gave
temporarily
- 27. 36-Across,
to a horse
- 28. Mature
- 31. King's
residence
- 33. Made of oak
or pine
- 35. Wild, blue
yonder
- 36. Cereal
grains
- 38. Magician's
scepter
- 39. The two
silvery coins
- 40. Small,
- 41. Lowest
female voice
- 44. Wet forecast
- 46. Glide, as an
eagle

- 47. Least old
- 51. Prod
- 52. Actress
Bancroft
- 53. "Golly!"
- 54. Moved
quickly
- 55. Beloved
animals
- 56. Possess

DOWN

- 1. Easter meat
- 2. Night before
a holiday
- 3. "Absolutely!"
- 4. Find fault
with
- 5. Fury
- 6. Broad
thoroughfare
- 7. Car fuel
- 8. Pie top
- 9. Employ
- 10. Outer part

- 11. Sob uncon-
trollably
- 16. Mr. Claus
- 20. Swiss
peaks
- 21. Faucet
problem
- 22. Just
- 24. Current
informa-
tion
- 25. Marriage
reply:
2 wds.
- 27. Accom-
plishment
- 28. Eden
resident
- 29. Hereditary
component
- 30. Finishes
- 32. Dove's
sound
- 34. Being in
debt
- 37. Chair in a
31-Across's
main hall
- 39. Drilled (a
hole)
- 40. Has supper
- 41. Egyptian
snakes
- 42. Ring-
shaped
object
- 43. Seize
- 45. Uncle's
wife
- 47. Shrill bark
- 48. Self
- 49. Use a
needle and
thread
- 50. One plus
nine



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