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Statement from Mayor Wilda Diaz

Press Release 3/30/20
Dear Residents,

As our state grapples with the spread of the Coronavirus, the City of Perth Amboy and the Office of Emergency Management is taking every precaution to ensure the health and safety of our community. My heart goes out to all the families that have experienced this virus first-hand or that have lost someone because of it. I ask each of you to think of those families before leaving your homes, if unnecessary, so we can help flatten the curve of this contagious virus.

I cannot stress this enough. Hospital staff are putting their lives in danger to make sure they provide the best care to our communities during this global pandemic. It is our responsibility to adhere to the guidelines set forth by the CDC and the State of New Jersey to ensure their safety. I strongly request your cooperation and adherence to our emergency orders, as listed on our city website to contain the spread of the coronavirus and to reduce the loss of life across our state.

As of today, March 30, 2020, there are 59 confirmed cases of Perth Amboy residents with the coronavirus. I know that number sounds alarming but as testing becomes more available, the reporting of COVID-19 cases will likely increase and we will have a closer estimate of how many people are infected within our community. Please be advised that the Jewish Renaissance Medical Center is open for testing of COVID-19. To facilitate the best use of resources, residents are asked to contact their health care provider to assess if they are symptomatic with evidence of a respiratory infection. If you do not have a primary doctor, residents are

urged to call the Jewish Renaissance Hospital at 732-376-9333 to make an appointment. A prescription is required to get tested and there will be no walk-ins accepted. This is for the protection of our healthcare workers, the individuals being tested, and for your own protection as well.

Your children's well-being is out top priority. As such, all schools were closed on March 16 until further notice. Free breakfast, lunch and dinner has been made available to all children of Perth Amboy thanks to the generosity of our community partners and the Perth Amboy School District. For a complete list of hours, parents and caretakers are encouraged to visit the city's website for more information.

Last week, I informed our community that two staff members of the Perth Amboy Public School System had tested positive for COVID-19 and a third staff member was still being investigated. Workers or students who may have been in close contact with the staff members have been contacted by the Middlesex County Health Department as a precautionary measure. We also took the drastic measure of closing all playgrounds. We need to ensure the safety and well-being of our community comes first, and we cannot do that if people continue to treat this pandemic like nothing more than a cold. We need the residents of Perth Amboy to comply with the restrictions set forth by the City of Perth Amboy.

I also want to add that we are increasing our emergency protective measures with the help of our local enforcement agency and the Office of Emergency Management. The Perth Amboy police department will continue

to enforce evening curfews. Individuals not adhering to the stay at home directives of the state and local agencies, will be issued a citation, unless they essential employees or traveling for crucial and necessary items such as food, medical assistance and prescription drugs.

Due to the evolving nature of information, residents are encouraged to contact the 24/7 NJ COVID-19 call center at 1-800-962-1253 for up-to-date information. New Jersey residents can also call 211 or text NJCOVID to 898-211 to receive text information and stay informed. The state also launched a COVID-19 site with many helpful resources and a symptom checker, so please visit their site at www.covid19.nj.gov.

My team and I have also tried our best to keep our city website as updated as possible. Please visit www.PerthAmboyNJ.org for helpful resources for our residents and business owners. While few essential businesses are allowed to remain open under the directives of Governor Phil Murphy, residents are encouraged to report any employers, organizations, or entities that are violating any part of Executive Order 107 by visiting www.covid19.nj.gov/violation.

In times of crisis, we are reminded of our strength and courage as a community. As your mayor, I thank you for your cooperation so that our office and community partners can provide seamless care to the residents and workers of Perth Amboy.

Thank you and God bless you all.
Mayor Wilda Diaz

Coronavirus Pandemic, Perth Amboy

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Mayor Diaz & Deputy Police Chief Cattano address public concerns



Many businesses are forced to close



Masks and Gloves are the new norm



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2020 Municipal Budget Does Not Pass; Temporary Budget Adopted

3/25/20 Council Meeting

By: Katherine Massopust
SOUTH AMBOY – After technical difficulties on the 3/18/20 Council Meeting, which was via audio phone casting, the South Amboy City Council had their meeting on 3/25/20 via audio conferencing with improved technology. Several of the Council Members had difficulty with the system on 3/25/20 and requested that the meeting be rescheduled to March 25th. The main focus of the 3/25/20 meeting was to pass the 2020 Municipal Budget.

Council President Mickey Gross handed the meeting over to Gary W. Higgins, CPA, RMA, PSA - Managing Committee Partner of Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP who performed the financial auditing services. Higgins introduced the 2020 Budget which was subject to review by the Division of Government Services.

Higgins stated that the budget was submitted to Director of Revenue and Finance & CFO Dan Balka and explained that the CFO replied with a request to the Division of Local Municipal Services gave permission to begin the process of adoption.

Higgins stated that the budget is \$3000 under the tax cap.

After the public hearing (which took place via phone conferencing and by B.A. Glenn Skarzynski and Mayor Fred Henry checking both doors for anyone wishing to speak from the public), the city council was asked if they had any comments about the budget.

Some of the council members had concerns, and there was a brief discussion regarding this.

Councilman Brian McLaughlin asked, "If the budget is not adopted, do we still run on a temporary budget?"

Higgins stated that the council can always pass emergency appropriations if needed and the money can be used for public health and welfare. He advised the council that if a temporary budget is passed, the city has to initiate temporary tax bills, etc. "There is a upside and downside in case of an emergency."

Councilman Thomas Reilly

stated, "We cannot give large raises to city workers who have been working only one year. We also overestimated the tax revenue from Woodmont."

B.A. Glenn Skarzynski stated, "We did give members Code Enforcement increases up to comparable salaries to surrounding towns."

Higgins then explained that Woodmont currently paid how much they were going to pay. "We realize that last year was inaccurate. Your budget properly reflects that."

Councilman Brian McLaughlin stated that the First Aid Squad needs a new ambulance.

B.A. Skarzynski stated, "There is money (in the budget) to fund a new ambulance." He stated there is enough for a down payment on a new ambulance and when it comes, the NCIA will fund the rest to cover the cost.

McLaughlin then inquired about the co-op program regarding youth to work during the summer in the DPW. "There is no reason it can't be done." He then stated that some of the personnel that was budgeted for he agreed with and some he didn't. "We are counting on PILOT money to be put into the budget. A lot of these are rentals. We have a pandemic. I'll vote "No" on the budget."

Before the voting, Council President Mickey Gross checked the front and back doors and asked anyone listening (he looked on the computer to see who was listening) on the phone conference and asked if they wished to comment on the budget.

The voting went as follows: Zusette Dato: Yes; Brian McLaughlin: No; Christine Noble: No; Thomas Reilly: No; Mickey Gross: Yes.

The 2020 budget did not pass for adoption.

City Clerk Debra Brooks read resolution 20-108 which enacted a temporary budget for 2020. After reading the temporary budget, the council voted unanimously to pass the temporary budget.

Resolution 20-107 which

was to apply for a grant for the Federal Transit Association for a grant for the year 2020 Passenger Ferry Grant Program support of the ongoing efforts to construct the Radford Ferry Terminal Project passed unanimously.

Council Comments:

Councilman Brian McLaughlin thanked everyone who is helping during the coronavirus outbreak including the OEM and Police Department.

Councilman Thomas Reilly stated, "I was deeply troubled by the last meeting – having issues. We can't have things like that happen."

Council Vice-President Christine Noble stated, "Accidents happen. I agree with increases to salary. I agree we need an ambulance. I know it will be passed. Everybody should have their questions answered."

Councilwoman Zusette Dato stated, "I agree. No one feels good about what happened at the last meeting. I agree with Christine (Noble). We'll work to resolve it the best we can. Be kind. I ask we all remember local businesses. They need our help. Try to have some normalcy. Remember the Census. I did it and it took me under ten minutes."

Council President Mickey Gross stated, "The police, the B.A., the Mayor – we've been working nonstop. Please! If you have any questions about the coronavirus call me! Do not look at the idiots on social media. Call me! We had something someone said on social media that was not true. Tell people to call me if you need answers. As of today, there are 3 cases in South Amboy."

Mayor Fred Henry stated, "We'll work (the budget) out."

B.A. Skarzynski stated, "We'll provide the system and keep everybody abreast."

Mayor Henry said, "Well get through this. I promise."

For the final public portion, both doors were checked and everyone on the phone were asked if they wanted to speak.

The meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.



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World War II - 75 Years Ago

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

The Second Shock Army of the Soviet 2nd Belorussian Front captures Danzig, along with 45 U-boats and 10,000 prisoners, on March 30, 1945. In Austria, Soviet troops enter the outskirts of Vienna. The Red Army's 2nd Ukrainian Front is approaching Bratislava, the capital of the Slovak Republic, a client state of Nazi Germany.

Gen. Eisenhower on March 31 broadcasts a demand over the radio for the Germans to surrender. In Asia, the British 26th Division reaches the Burma Road at Kyaukme, about 69 miles northeast of Mandalay, marking the end of eight months of fighting. The Burma Road is now clear of Japanese forces from Mandalay to Lashio.

"Operation Iceberg" — the invasion of Okinawa — takes place on April 1, 1945. The U.S. Tenth Army — a combined Army-Marine joint force comprising the Army's 7th, 27th, 77th and 96th Infantry Divisions, along with the 1st, 2nd and 6th Marine Divisions — with 1,457 ships in support, invades Okinawa, which is 325 miles from Japan. Okinawa, in the Ryukyu Islands, is one of Japan's southern prefectures. The Allies intend to use the island as the leaping-off point for an invasion of the Japanese main islands. To their surprise, 50,000 troops land on the western shore unopposed and establish an eight-mile bridgehead. Awaiting them, though, are some 130,000 Japanese troops well-entrenched in concealed positions and caves. Complicating the situation are the 450,000 civilians who live on the 70-mile-long by 10-mile-wide island. In Europe, the Soviet 1st Ukrainian Front captures Sopron, Hungary, a vital road junction between Budapest and Vienna.

The Red Army on April 2 launches its "Vienna Offensive" against German forces in and around the Austrian capital. Meanwhile, in Germany, German Army B, in the Ruhr, is surrounded by Allied forces. The first U.S. units reach the east coast of Okinawa.

U.S. Gen. of the Army Douglas MacArthur is appointed commander-in-chief of land forces in the Pacific on April 3. ("Island-hopping" Army and Marine amphibious forces remain under U.S. Navy command.) The Soviet 2nd Ukrainian Front advances close to Vienna. Soviet military authorities and Austrian resistance leader Carl Szokoll confer about co-operation in the Red Army's offensive against Vienna. Vienna-born Szokoll — incredibly, a major in the *Wehrmacht* while secretly a member of the resistance in the Third Reich — is one of the few conspirators in the July 20 Plot to assassinate Hitler who manages to elude arrest and punishment. Thousands of prisoners at the Buchenwald concentration camp in central Germany are forced to evacuate the camp and march away from the Allied advance.

The Soviets complete the liberation of Hungary on April 4. Bratislava, the capital of the Slovak Republic, is overrun by the Red Army. The Ohrdruf death camp, near Weimar, Germany, is liberated by Allied troops. The U.S. 90th Infantry Division, part of the U.S. Third Army, captures Merkers, in central Germany, roughly midway between Leipzig and Frankfurt am Main. Following up on local rumors, the troops open up a sealed salt mine nearby and discover the Nazi gold reserves (250 tons of gold bars and coins), currency (32.5 billion Reichsmarks and 98 million French francs) and thousands of crates of artworks, much of which has been stolen or otherwise looted.

In northern Italy, the Allies begin the Po Valley Campaign on April 5. The U.S.S.R. informs Japan that it does not intend to renew the non-aggression treaty that the two nations had signed in 1941. The new Czechoslovak government demands that ethnic Germans and Hungarians be expelled from the country.

On April 6, preceded by a tremendous artillery and air bombardment, the 3rd Belorussian Front — with four armies, 137,000 men, 530 tanks and 2,400 aircraft — begins its final assault against Königsberg, in East Prussia, which is held by 35,000 German troops. The Japanese battleship *Yamato*, accompanied by a cruiser and eight destroyers sets sail on a suicide mission, codenamed "Floating Chrysanthemum I." *Yamato* carries only enough fuel to get to Okinawa. The plan is to beach the vessel and fight any Allied forces in the area using its shipboard armament. In Austria, the battle for Vienna begins. On Bougainville, in the Solomon Islands, the Battle of Slater's Knoll ends in a decisive Australian victory.

The Battle of the East China Sea begins on April 7 as aircraft from U.S. Navy Task Force 58 sink the Japanese super-battleship *Yamato* in a three-hour battle, 60 miles southeast of Japan. Japanese casualties are reported as 2,488 sailors killed, the cruiser *Yahagi* and four destroyers sunk, and 58 aircraft destroyed. In Tokyo, Kantarō Suzuki is named prime minister of Japan, to replace Kuniaki Koiso, who resigned following the threat to Okinawa and Japan's latest losses. A former highly decorated admiral in the Japanese Navy, Suzuki has opposed Japan's war with the United States both prior to and during the hostilities.

British paratroops on April 8 drop into the eastern portion of the Netherlands, to clear the way for Canadian ground troops who are moving northward. In Germany, the British Second Army reaches Hildesheim, while the U.S. Seventh Army captures Pforzheim, near the upper Rhine. Heavy fighting is reported in the center of Vienna.

In East Prussia on April 9, the Battle of Königsberg ends in a Soviet victory. Meanwhile, at Kiel, north of Hamburg, Germany, on the Baltic Sea, heavy bombing by the RAF destroys the German pocket battleship (heavy cruiser) *Admiral Scheer*. The British Eighth Army launches an offensive in Italy with a 1,500-gun bombardment of the German positions east of Bologna. The RAF provide air support with 1,800 planes. The U.S. Fifth Army begins its own offensive toward Bologna and the Po River valley. In Yugoslavia, German Army Group E is now completely isolated from the main German forces, but continues its struggle against Tito's Partisan forces.

Buchenwald concentration camp, in Germany, is liberated by American troops on April 10. Hanover falls to the U.S. XIII Corps, part of the U.S. Ninth Army. In England, Winston Churchill reveals British Empire casualty figures up to this point as 306,984 killed. Total casualties are 1,126,802, with the merchant navy losing 34,161 dead or captured. Civilian casualties are 59,793 killed and 84,749 injured. The RAF attacks Kiel, Germany, again, while the U.S. 8th Air Force launches its heaviest raid to date — 1,232 bombers — against Berlin.

On April 11, Japanese *kamikaze* attacks on American naval vessels continue during the Battle of Okinawa. The battleship *USS Missouri* is hit, and the carrier *USS Enterprise* is damaged. The Soviets reach the center of Vienna, capturing the parliament and town hall buildings. Vessels of the British Royal Navy in the Indian Ocean open fire on Japanese positions at Sabang, on Sumatra, in the East Indies. Chile declares war on Japan. Col.-Gen. Heinrich von Vietinghoff, commander-in-chief of Army Group C (all German forces in Italy), decides that he will not obey Hitler's scorched-earth policy. Vietinghoff is also privy and a party to the ongoing secret negotiations in Switzerland between SS Lt.-Gen. Karl Wolff and U.S. representative Allen Dulles regarding an early surrender of German forces in Italy.

U.S. President Franklin Delano Roosevelt dies suddenly of a cerebral hemorrhage at his home in Warm Springs, Georgia, on April 12, at the age of 63. Vice President Harry S. Truman assumes the presidency. In one of his most-controversial decisions of the war, Gen. Dwight Eisenhower, supreme commander of the Allied Expeditionary Forces, orders the Western Allies to slow their advances and stop at the River Elbe, thereby allowing the Red Army to capture Berlin. (Some historians say Eisenhower wished to limit Allied casualties by avoiding the vicious house-to-house street-fighting that would be faced if troops entered Berlin. However, Eisenhower himself tells journalists that there are three reasons for standing on the Elbe: Firstly, his armies are already well beyond the line of the Western occupation zones that had been agreed upon with the Soviets. Why take casualties for land that would have to be handed over? Secondly, he had always worried about his troops meeting the Soviets on the run around a corner. He thought it safer to meet them with a broad river between. And, finally, he said: "Berlin is only a political objective, not a military objective.")

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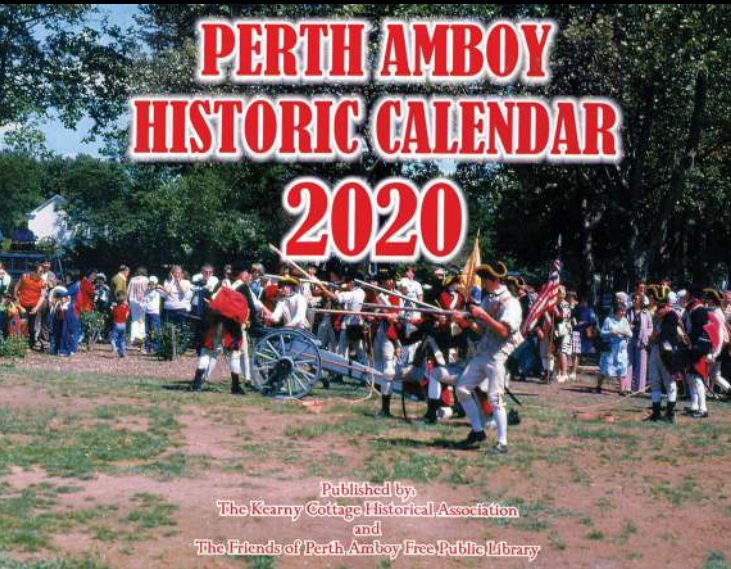
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LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

EDITORIAL

Stepping Up to the Plate

It is true that there are a lot of small businesses that employ people and huge corporations run by multimillionaires and multibillionaires often are frowned upon because many people feel they don't pay their fair share agree of taxes. Now, we see a lot of them had the resources to help in emergency situations as well as some smaller businesses with small facilities.

Automobile makers, Amazon, some clothing manufacturers have converted their equipment to manufacture ventilators, respirators, hand sanitizers and emergency clothing including scrubs and masks and whatever else is necessary to supply to hospitals and other medical facilities. The Jacob Javits Center in New York and the New Jersey Expo Center in Raritan Center, Edison are just two of the facilities that have been converted to emergency triage for coronavirus patients.

No matter what anybody says about large corporations, when I worked for the phone company, all I had to do was: wake up, walk into the building, put in my time and leave at the end of the day. I did not have to put any equity or take out any loans to build that building. So, I appreciated those entrepreneurs who have their own brick and mortar buildings to help in an immediate crisis. Although these companies are converting their facilities, you have to have workers who are skilled to do the job. Those workers are being placed in those facilities and a lot of those skills were learned in vocational schools. We must not look down upon vocational schools as we have before, because in some instances they are more valuable than some 4-year College courses. Remember, those vocational schools have to have the same subjects you have in high schools. Math is very important. You have to know exactly what you are doing when making any measurements in any field that they are

teaching.

As I mentioned before in a previous editorial, one of my relatives went to Middlesex County Vocational School in East Brunswick after the Revlon factory in Edison closed. They are the ones who paid for her to go to Middlesex County Vocational School. After that training, she landed a job in a major hospital in New Brunswick in the pharmacy. Now, with this crisis, thousands of jobs are opening up in warehouses where people are needed to do stocking and other jobs.

This also drives the fact that we have to bring our important manufacturing back to the United States. I remember the huge Merck Facility in Rahway, New Jersey and I personally knew a lot of people who worked in that facility. Johnson & Johnson has several facilities in Piscataway, New Jersey. ER Squibb was another. This is also why STEM is very important.

After a crisis, there is always a silver lining. People have to think outside of the box, and maybe ingenuity will come about.

Here is a perfect example where a small factory in New York decided to stay open and retool in order to make masks: (source: reuters.com/article/us-health-coronavirus-usa-shields/over-hectic-weekend-new-york-factories-retool-to-make-coronavirus-face-shields-for-nurses-idUSKBN21C053)

Michael Bednark was able to contact his suppliers to send supplies to produce protective masks for medical personnel. Bednark's staff were able to make a prototype that was presented to the New York Department of Health. It was approved and the rest is history. (see above link)

The most important thing is we learn to lean on each other when the going gets tough.

I would like to thank everyone who has to work during this crisis and also their families who are also affected by this. C.M.

THE COMMUNITY VOICE

Puerto Rico: Poised to End America's Foreign Drug Dependence

The coronavirus pandemic exposes a surprising fact: Ninety-percent of all antibiotics, common cold and flu, and pain-relief medications found in America's medicine cabinets are made in China, not the United States.

America's largest pharmaceutical companies now outsource to China the manufacture of 90 percent of brand name and generic antibiotics, aspirin, and ibuprofen sold in the United States. Chinese workers also makes 80-percent of all Vitamin C tablets sold here, plus a host of our other vitamin supplements.

The current shutdown of Chinese drug-making factories to slow the spread of coronavirus is likely to disrupt our domestic pharmaceutical supplies.

Outsourcing drug manufacturing to the Chinese labor market is much cheaper for Big Pharma. But, it puts America's health in jeopardy and it makes our national security vulnerable

to the uncertainty of international relations.

It is time for American pharmaceutical companies to bring drug manufacturing home. They must swiftly ensure that our stockpile of reliable medicinal supplies can to meet the COVID-19 pandemic or any future health emergencies.

Fortunately, America has a reliable partner for the domestic manufacture of its pharmaceuticals: Puerto Rico. The commonwealth already has the infrastructure and a skilled workforce prepared to quickly accomplish this switch.

The Tax Reform Act of 1976 and IRS Code 936 – which gave corporations a tax exemption for manufacturing in U.S. territories like Puerto Rico – made the commonwealth a key player in the manufacture of prescription drugs for the U.S. and world markets.

But, in 1996, President Clinton began a 10-year phase out of IRS Code 936. By 2006, Puerto Rico suffered a crippling number of plant closures and sustained a 40-percent loss of manufacturing jobs. Losing pharmaceutical industry jobs helped crash Puerto Rico's economy.

Today, Puerto Rico's gov-

ernment is \$74 billion in debt. Other factors contributed to the commonwealth's debt crisis, but the most significant factor was Big Pharma fleeing the island, causing tax shortfalls and deficits.

America now has a golden opportunity to help Puerto Rico recover and a chance to reduce our drug dependency on China and other foreign manufacturers.

The Puerto Rican community in New Jersey, and across the mainland, must now raise its collective voice to insist that our Congressional delegates swiftly restore vital tax exemptions.

This would allow Puerto Rico to match the discount cost of pharmaceutical manufacturing in China or elsewhere in the world. It would offer Puerto Rico a bright chance for economic recovery. More importantly, it would return jobs and restore dignity to Puerto Rican workers and their families.

Samuel A. Delgado
Samuel A. Delgado, a Perth Amboy resident, is the retired vice president of external affairs for Verizon New Jersey and former Chairman of the Newark Regional Business Partnership.



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MOVIE REVIEW: EMMA



By: Anton Massopust III
“We learned the solution to this game: how to win it and how to lose it. Emma is perfection.”

The latest remake of the movie “Emma” is about a young woman, Emma (Anya Taylor-Joy) who is a matchmaker and a bit of a busybody. She’s too busy with other people's affairs to notice that the man she loves is right under her nose. She first tries to get her young best friend hooked up with a minister but fails miserably because he is infatuated with Emma. Emma is soon undone. She has to learn a lesson about herself and trying to help others and to pay attention to what’s really going on around her.

“Emma” is very simple story about love, Victorian manners,

simple life of reading, conversation, and matchmaking. It’s brilliantly acted with a little bit of comedy. The costumes are exquisite. Just to look at the beautiful scenery of the English countryside with wonderful cinematography is a feast for the eye.

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WED. Apr. 1 City Council, Business, 6 p.m.
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Along the way, the YMCA and swimming became his life and Joe spent time at the Y even when he wasn't scheduled to work. He would come to swim when the facility was closed on Sundays just so he could get better and better. The Y was his outlet and he took swimming very seriously!

As a lifeguard at the Y, Joe made \$1.25 an hour and he lifeguarded for the City of Perth Amboy when the beaches were open. During his time at the Y, Joe became a swim instructor and taught swim lessons between 4-6pm. Swim lessons included levels such as Eel, Pike and Fish.

Once he graduated Perth Amboy High School, Joe attended a College in Philadelphia which had a small pool and during his college career, he taught a Red Cross Lifeguarding class. Joe joined the US Navy for 6 years and did 2 tours in Vietnam. He



currently resides in South Central Pennsylvania.

Joe loves the Y, his passion for swimming and life guarding gave him purpose, leadership skills and was very meaningful. Joe says, "I felt like a valuable employee at the Y, and the Y was a great place to be."

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Historical Reflections of Anguillian Offspring in Perth Amboy, NJ

By Eric Hughes. I am the proud offspring of Anguillian immigrants who migrated to Perth Amboy, NJ and I am sharing our story for posterity. Eric Hughes can be reached at richughes3741@gmail.com

Part I – Introduction

Reflections of Anguillian descendants in Perth Amboy, New Jersey, highlights and transcends with fondest memories several amazing leadership accomplishments and success stories of their offspring. It is the story of the offspring of the first wave of Anguillian immigrant families from Anguilla (formerly part of the British West Indian colony of Saint Kitts, Nevis and Anguilla) who settled in Perth Amboy, NJ, between 1918-1924. According to family stories at the dinner table, it is also quite possible that some Anguillians may have migrated to Perth Amboy during an earlier time period.

Anguilla of 2020 is an internally self-governed British Overseas Territory, a 35 square mile island located near Saint Martin within the northeastern most part of the Caribbean, formerly was part of

the British colony of Saint. Kitts, Nevis and Anguilla until December 19, 1980, when it was formally disassociated from Saint Kitts and Nevis to become a separate British Overseas Territory.

Much poverty existed back in the day because there were no tourism and commercial projects during the 1920s. Employment opportunities were extremely limited. During that era, it was impossible for young Anguillians to believe that they could have any future at all on Anguilla, the small and beautiful island they affectionately refer to as “The Rock.”

Although some Anguillians managed by engaging in agricultural work, the intensive heat and limited rainfall made it difficult to harvest enough crops to earn a living year-round as explained in 1995 by John Waddington Hodge during a presentation at Albena-Lake Hodge Comprehensive School. Others collected salt but their success depended on the weather. For instance, a rainy year meant little or no salt to reap. Besides, working in the two major salt ponds on Anguilla was labor intensive and risked creating severe health conditions. As an alternative, some Anguillians became boat builders and boat owners. They used their schooners and sloops in inter-island trade and commerce. According to John Waddington Hodge, “apart from etching out some kind of a livelihood, boat building pioneered the advent of traditional seafaring and boat racing as the national sport that exists on Anguilla to this very day.”

Throughout years of hard work which did little to improve the quality of their lives, adult Anguillians decided that migration was the only option for a better life. Not only in Anguilla, but throughout the Caribbean region migration became almost a “rites of passage” for socio-economic reasons. “Therefore, in search of a better life, many Anguillians migrated to nearby St. Martin, Saint. Kitts, Dominican Republic, Cuba, and in large numbers to the US,” John Waddington Hodge continued. At a much later date, they migrated to Aruba, Curacao, the U.K, Canada and the US Virgin Islands.

Many early 20th century Anguillians who migrated to the US settled in the small coastal industrial City of Perth Amboy in central New Jersey. It is believed they chose Perth Amboy because the city already had an established and closely knit Anguillian immigrant community. Also, the Anguillian immigrants who settled in Perth Amboy had formed two organizations: The Anguillian Improvement Association and The Sons and Daughters of Anguilla. The mission of the organizations was promoting advocacy and activism within their community, and helping newcomers adapt and maintain a strong cultural social-economic link by sending remittances back to the motherland, Anguilla.

Anguillian immigrants also settled in Perth Amboy because the prospect for employment was attractive. Jobs were plentiful since Perth Amboy was a city with many factories. The factory work required strong backs and long hours in dirty and noisy workplaces. Nevertheless, it provided work for the Anguillian immigrants that enabled them to feed their families, pay their rent and have a roof over their heads. As a result, many Anguillian immigrants became homeowners, and a few dabbled into entrepreneurship mainly as owners of “mom and pop” stores within their community.

The families within the Anguillian immigrant community in Perth Amboy worked extremely hard to ensure their children that factory work would not be in their future. Most factory positions were dead end jobs carrying health hazards, without any favorable terms and conditions of employment. However, the Anguillian immigrants toiled in those labor intensive workplaces, saved their money, and assisted their children financially when the time came to enter college and trade schools. Accordingly, Anguillian immigrant parents instilled traditional Anguillian values in their children and enforced strict parental guidelines. They taught their offspring how important it was to achieve academic excellence in order to seek and master professional careers.

The closeness of Anguillian families in Perth Amboy provided help for each other’s children such as childcare chores especially during their children’s adolescent years. The parents reaped benefits from their devotedness. For example, some children became class presidents and others excelled in various subjects getting excellent grades. This writer benefited from several selfless childcare deeds by the other Anguillian parents, and knew each parent of the offspring being highlighted in this article. The offspring were all close friends and although there were age differences, they knew each other well enough to gain each other’s trust.

Based on the archives at Rutgers University Library, the population of Perth Amboy during the 1950s was 41,330 of which 1,162 were Black. Immigrants hailed mainly from Hungary, Poland, Italy, Russia, Czechoslovakia, Israel, Anguilla and other Caribbean islands. African-American migrants from the South also settled in Perth Amboy. Such a diverse population made Perth Amboy a true “melting pot” of multicultural residents, who for the most part got along fairly well.

The almost peaceful environment was not the same in other parts of the US especially in the South, Midwest and parts of the Northeast where racial tensions flared regularly. After all, it was the pre-civil rights era and the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and other equal opportunity civil rights statutes were not yet enacted into law.

Nevertheless, racism existed in Perth Amboy too, perhaps not as acute. In spite of their disadvantage, four young men of Anguillian parentage (Austin Gumbs, 1949 and 1950, David Rey, 1951, Franklin Gumbs, 1954 and Cedric Richardson, 1955) were elected Class President by a majority of the white student population at Perth Amboy High School.

Based on the school’s white majority it was unrealistic during the 50's for four (4) black - Anguillian offspring, to even think they had the remote possibility of leading their classes. Given all the factors, race relations across the US, white student dominance, minimal assistance from white teachers and advisors, and white parents networking for their children to compete for the most sought-after leadership positions in the class, the Anguillian progenies triumphed. The election within six years of four Anguillian offspring to the prestigious position of class president in the mostly white City of Perth Amboy made it a miraculous achievement. I believe that each achievement made by offspring motivated others to strive for even greater achievements.

High school students are very competitive and opinionated when they begin to compete for the top positions of class leadership. Anyone competing for an elected office in his or her class has to be mentally sharp, intelligent, outgoing, compromising, be popular among his/her peers and have good problem-solving skills. Candidates for class president have to possess all of these qualities and exceed academically and socially to be elected by their peers. The four (4) class Presidents of Anguillian heritage possessed those traits.

In addition to these outstanding pioneers of class presidents, who are being profiled in this article, Winston Hughes is also being recognized for other outstanding reasons, which are explained in Part III of this article.

(Note: Several Anguillian offspring achieved great success in high school and later in their professional careers. With the exception of two (2) of the honorees, their individual names are listed in this article also as inductees in the Perth Amboy, NJ High School Hall of Fame. However, this article is focused on the early leadership skills of five (5) outstanding individuals who accomplished so much during one of the most racist periods in American history, the 1940s and 1950s).



Eric Hughes

Pets of the Week



Viper was rescued as a kitten from the streets. His owners didn't want him anymore after he got bigger. He is not even 8 months old. They wanted him gone even though his human brother was heartbroken and loved him dearly. He was surrendered. I love him. He deserves a better home than our rescue can give. Sadly, he's in a kennel since we don't have room or fosters. Please adopt Viper... He definitely deserves a forever home where he won't be discarded. He is so sweet, despite being abandoned. He's silky soft and loves being petted. He is muscular like a tiger and playful and sweet. Will you give him the love and attention he deserves? He's neutered, vaccinated, negative for FIV & leukemia and fully vetted. Email Vmoralespps@yahoo.com for adoption application. Donation fee applies. Allforthepaws.org 1.732.486.6382

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Tom's Tax Tips

Courtesy of Tom Ploskanka C.P.A. 1-800-801-1099

The IRS Data Theft Problem
Here's how to minimize your risk

What better place for online thieves to target than a database that contains 300 million+ Social Security numbers and a treasure trove of financial information?

The IRS has 52 Internet applications to help U.S. citizens comply with their tax obligations. But these online portals, which collect, process and store large amounts of personal information and tax data, are also a potential gateway for online criminals and identity thieves.

While the IRS's electronic authentication security controls have improved, the Treasury Inspector General recently said that the IRS's internet applications are not yet compliant with the National Institute of Standards and Technology guidelines.

Here's what you can do to protect your tax-related identity and information while the IRS tries to improve its security controls:

- **Use the IRS's Internet applications judiciously.** Think you need to use one of the IRS's online applications? Consider requesting or obtaining certain information via the U.S. Postal service. Simply decide if you're willing to take a risk using an application that isn't compliant with the National Institute of Standards and Technology.
- **Get an IP PIN.** An Identity Protection PIN (IP PIN) is a six-digit number that helps prevent your Social Security number from being used on fraudulent federal income tax returns. If you are a confirmed victim of identity theft, the IRS will mail you an IP PIN after the fraudulent tax issue has been resolved. If you haven't been the victim of tax-related identity theft, you can voluntarily ask the IRS to issue you an IP PIN if you live in certain states. Additional states will be added until the IP PIN program is available nationwide.
- **Review your credit report once a year.** Check your credit report for any unauthorized activity or errors. This periodic review can often be the earliest warning that your private information is compromised.

Novena to St. Rita

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

Prayer to St. Jude

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 F.M.

Assemblyman
Danielsen to
Host 6th Annual
Free Job Fair
in Central
Jersey

Press Release 3/2/20
Somerset, NJ- On Wednesday, April 15, 2020, Assemblyman Joe Danielsen will host the 6th Annual Free Job Fair in partnership with The Imperia, located at 1714 Easton Avenue, Somerset, NJ 08873.

Recruiters from public and private businesses will be available to meet with job seekers between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. If you have a Resume, please be sure to bring 10-15 copies with you.

Classes will be offered for participants from 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. on Job Search Techniques, Resume Writing, Interviewing and Dressing for Success.

“I encourage anyone who is looking for their first job, a new job, returning to the job force of New Jersey to join us throughout the day,” said Assemblyman Danielsen (D-Middlesex, Somerset). “If you’re looking for assistance to change careers, then participate and meet 75 to 80 diverse vendors who will be available to talk with you. Listen, jobs don’t come to you. It is up to you to seize the opportunity!”

Vendor Space will be available until April 8, 2020 for organizations or employers who would like to participate. We encourage you to register early. Space is limited. Please contact Laura Spector for more information or to request a registration form at (732)-247-3999.

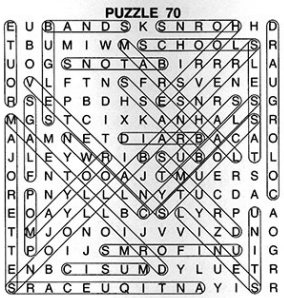
Senior Scene
Happenings

- Perth Amboy**
WED. Apr. 1 Good Shepherd Wednesday Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Msgr. Gambino Hall , Florida Grove Rd.
• Holy Trinity Seniors, 1 p.m., Church Hall, Lawrie & Johnstone St.
THURS. Apr. 2 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
MON. Apr. 6 St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.
TUES. Apr. 7 Good Shepherd Tuesday Seniors (HS) 12:30 p.m. Msgr. Gambino Hall, Florida Grove Rd.
THURS. Apr. 9 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m. Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
- South Amboy**
WED. Apr. 1 St. Mary’s Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.
MON. Apr. 6 South Amboy Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.
MON. Apr. 27 Sacred Heart Seniors, 12 Noon Memorial Hall, Wash Ave.

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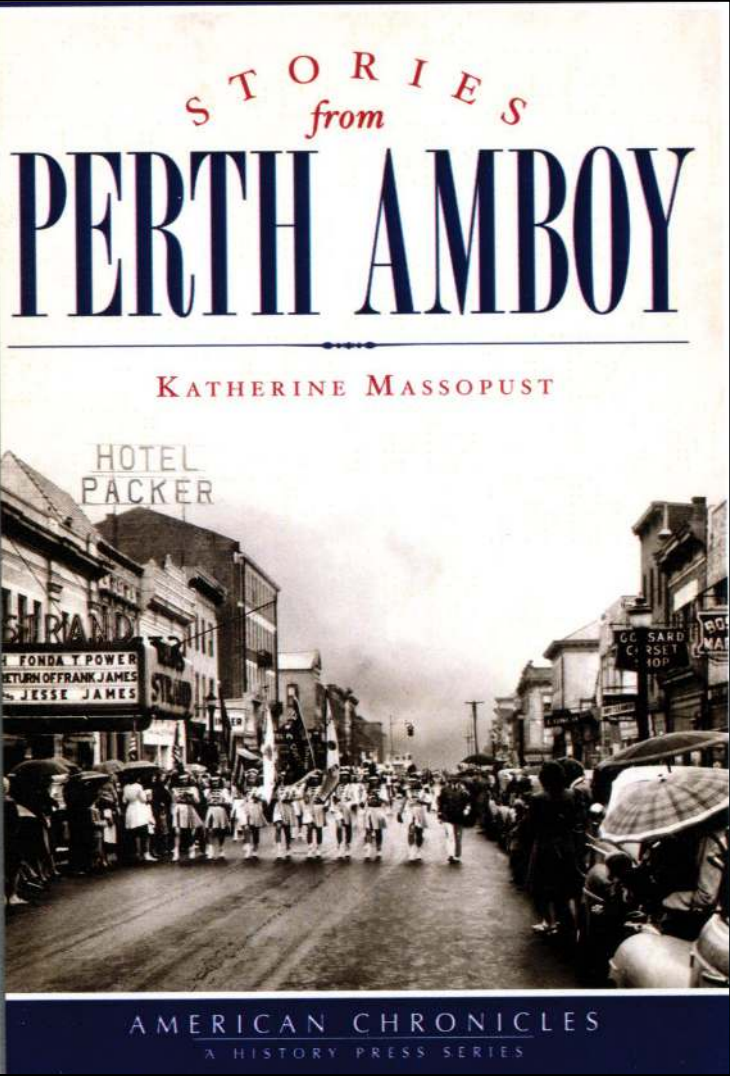
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G.T.A.

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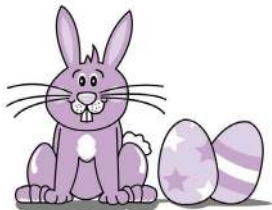
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