#### PERTH AMBOY REPRESENTATIVES APPEAR BEFORE LOCAL FINANCE BOARD

Results of bonding for payments owed to Chevron awaited at tonight's City Council Meeting

PERTH AMBOY -This morning at approximately 11am Business Administrator Greg Fehrenbach, CFO/Controller, The Bond Counselor and Financial Advice were schedule to meet with the local Finance Board to map out a schedule for

Perth Amboy to receive Bonding to pay Chevron Corporation a refund of \$7,900,000. At the May11,2011 Council Meeting Mr. Fehrenbach gave different scenarios how repayment schedules are structured if Perth Amboy is approved for

Bonding..It all boils down to Perth Amboy's Bond Rating. One example had To do with Quality Bond and Investment Grade Bonds. The terms of those Bonds could be for the repayment schedule to be between a 3-5 year standard although it could be more. If Chevron continued to pay taxes even during the appeal process. At tonight's 7 p.m. Council Meeting (City Hall, High St) Mr. Fehrenbach is expected to give a fully detailed explanation of the Finance Boards Decision

and then The City Of Perth Amboy can proceed from there.



#### Raritan Bay Medical Center Foundation's Annual Art Show Benefits Center for Women

PERTH AMBOY - May 20, 2011... Art aficionados and supporters of Raritan Bay Medical Center (RBMC) alike made this year's Raritan Bay Medical Center Foundation – "Inspirations: A Celebration of Art & Spring" art show reception the most successful ever, raising more than \$40,000 for the medical center's Center for Women. Guests looking to enjoy an elegant night out enjoyed the chic event at RBMC's Perth Amboy location, complete with live music by the Victor Quezada Jazz

Trio, cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and wine tasting provided by Joe Canal's Discount Liquor. As part of the evening, retired Perth Amboy High School Principal Rozalia Czaban was honored for her commitment to the district's students, the community and the medical center.

The works of local artists, including; the late Louis P. Booz III, Paul Borkowski, EJ Davis, Dawn Drago, Darlene Foster, Cabbar Komek, John S. Masi, Michele Mastrangelo, Paul Moran, Glenn Murgacz, Melissa Pino, Susan Schaffer,

Margaret Smolarski, Rolando Talag, Gail Tanski, Joseph Tanski, Phyllis Wilkinson, Amy Brooks, Connie Elek, and Lois Griffin are showcased along with works from Woodbridge and Perth Amboy school district art students. Select pieces will be displayed on the medical center's concourse and be available for purchase until Monday, June 13. For more information, or to make a donation, call 732-324-5374. "We are so happy to support our community

and honor Rozalia, a leader who has given so much back to our community," said Executive Vice President, Raritan Bay Medical Center Foundation Nancy Barone. The medical center opened a new Center for Women in its Perth Amboy hospital, as part of the new Outpatient and Imaging Suites in its newly renovated Blue Wing. The new center complements medical center's longstanding Old Bridge location. Both provide diagnosis and treatment for women's

specific needs, but the Perth Amboy location is one of only a few New Jersey sites providing breast MRI imaging and MRI-guided biopsy in combination. Additionally, women's healthcare company Hologic has recognized RBMC as a Pink Ribbon FacilityTM certifying that the medical center provides its patients the best possible imaging technology for the earliest possible detection of breast cancer. To schedule an appointment, call 732-324-5270. For more information, visit www.rbmc.org.

# Raritan Bay Medical Center Executive Assistant to President and CEO Michael R. D'Agnes

PERTH AMBOY - June 3, 2011... Raritan Bay Medical Center Executive Assistant to President and CEO Michael R. D'Agnes, Cheryl Kurkowski, cHAP, of Bayonne, is the first New Jersey professional to earn the certified healthcare administrative professional (cHAP) designation from the Association of Healthcare Administrative Professionals

#### Kurkowski of Bayonne First in New Jersey to Achieve cHAP Status

(AHCAP). Administrative professionals who receive the cHAP designation have met stringent requirements in education, direct professional experience and areas of professional development and successfully completed the cHAP examination, demonstrating comprehensive knowledge of substantive skills that provide value and distinction in an increasingly competitive marketplace. In receiving this designation, Kurkowski has been recognized for being among the elite in the critical and demanding field of healthcare administration. Healthcare consumers and medical center staff, with locations in Old Bridge and Perth Amboy, alike can be assured that cHAP designees subscribe to a strict code of ethics, have access to the latest technology and are specialists in vital competencies performed regularly in practice.

A NJ state-designated primary stroke center, RBMC is a recipient of the American Stroke Association's Get with the GuidelinesSM -Stroke Silver Performance Achievement Award, recognizing the medical center's success in implementing a high standard of stroke care and the American Heart Association Get with the GuidelinesSM – Heart Fail ure Gold Performance Achievement Award recipient, recognizing the optimal care of patients in 24 consecutive months. RBMC, with locations in Old Bridge and Perth Amboy, is also one of less than two percent of hospitals nationally to achieve re-designation as a Magnet Hospital, recognizing nursing excellence, and is a three time recipient of the NJ Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield patient care quality award.

Licensed for 501 beds with a medical staff of more than 500, RBMC provides medical-surgical, maternity, pediatric, diagnostic imaging, laboratory and general and critical care, as well as adult behavioral health, emergency and interventional cardiac and same day surgery services. A leader in cardiovascular care, RBMC is one of only ten New Jersey hospitals chosen to participate in a national Johns Hopkins University Medical Center demonstration project studying the benefits of providing elective angioplasty in hospitals without onsite cardiac surgery. The hospital's new Human Motion Institute is devoted to providing superior outcomes and patient satisfaction in all areas of musculoskeletal treatment and its newly launched Institute for Weight Loss at Old Bridge provides medical and surgical

weight loss options. The medical center has several other specialty services including the Center for Wound Healing, Center for Sleep Medicine, Center for Women, Center for Continence and Pelvic Rehabilitation, Pulmonary Rehabilitation and Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Programs. RBMC's Medical Pavilion at Woodbridge provides urgent care services without an appointment 365 days a year, an obstetrics and gynecology physician practice and outpatient physical therapy services. RBMC is a major clinical affiliate of UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and a member of the Robert Wood Johnson Health Network. For more information services, www.rbmc.org. For a free physician referral call 1-800-DOC-TORS.

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Summer Fun Inside

Windsor Healthcare to Appear before South Amboy Planning Board 7 pm. Tonight N. Broadway

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#### Flag Day

Remember to display the American Flag on Flag Day!

#### Correction

The ABCD photo in the June 1, 2011 issue was inproperlycredidted. Tracy Jordan was the photographer.







# David's Touch - Christmas in July

BRIDGEWATER - David Rosado passed away 6 years ago, at the age of 9. Born with a congenital heart disease, David was later diagnosed with cancer at the age of 8. In his short years here on earth, he endured obstacles that many of us never face in a lifetime; undergoing multiple open-heart surgeries and a heart transplant. Through it all, he was blessed with a love for life and a great spirit. The ownership of the Somerset Patriots Baseball Team is willing to assist the David's Touch Foundation on Friday, July 29, 2011 at 7:05 p.m. The foundation is in need of sponsors. Tickets are \$10 each with your toy donation. Come to the "Christmas in July" Event at the TD Bank Ballpark, Bridgewater, NJ. For more information contact 732-896-0656

#### Puerto Rican Festival

PERTH AMBOY — The 15th annual Hall Avenue Puerto Rican Festival, which will feature a concert by Latin Grammy winner Tito Nieves and music by Latin DJ Alex Sensation, will be conducted this weekend on Hall Avenue. The festival will be from 5 to 11 p.m. Friday, June 10, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, June 11 and from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday, June 12 on Hall Avenue between State and Cortland streets. There will be a concert which will feature dancers and special lighting. Tito Nieves will perform a two-hour concert starting about 5:30 p.m. Sunday. Alex Sensation, a DJ on radio station La Mega 97.9 also is scheduled to appear Sunday. The festival will kick off 5 p.m. Friday with DJs on every corner, rides for the children and food from a variety of cultures. The Trobadores, freestyle performers who play guitar and talk about the stories from their life or town, also will perform over the weekend, along with Trio, a group that performs old-time Latin music from the 1940s, 1950s and 1960s. There also will be bomba and plena music, which has an African influence and is considered typical Puerto Rico music, and salsa. Dancers from all over the state are expected to participate.

#### *2011 Summer* Camp **Applications**

PERTH AMBOY - The Boys & Girls Club Office at 149 Kearny Ave., 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Perth Amboy has applications for 2011 Summer Camp until June 17. Camp Dates: July 11 -August 5 at St. Mary's Gymnasium, 370 Mechanic St., Perth Amboy. Space is limited . . . First come - first serve! After care is now available please contact B&GC office to inquire. For more information contact 732-324-2114 ext. 120.

#### Housing **Authority Board Vacancy**

PERTH AMBOY - Individuals interested in the volunteer position on the Housing Authority Board shall complete and submit the Citizen Service Applications to the City Clerk's Office by Thursday, June 30, 2011. Thank you. If you have questions regarding this volunteer position, please contact the City Clerk's Office at: (732)-826-0290.

#### **Volunteers** Needed

PARLIN — The Ladies Auxiliary of VFW Post 4699 is looking for knitters and crocheters to knit or crochet scarves for American soldiers overseas who are fighting to preserve our liberty.

To participate or for more information, call (609) 448-

#### Woodbridge Junior Garden Club

WOODBRIDGE - Come join the Woodbridge Junior Garden Club which is working with the Woodbridge Garden Club on projects throughout Woodbridge Township. Learn about all the different types of gardening while doing fun projects. Work on butterfly garden Sewaren Library to attract more butterflies. Meetings are on the 2nd Monday of the Month from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Sewaren Free Library, 546 West Ave., Sewaren. For more information please contact 732-713-8853 or email beliphil@comcast.net

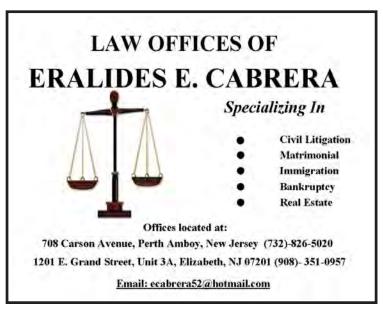
#### **Book Sale**

PERTH AMBOY - There is an ongoing book sale at the Perth Amboy Free Public Library, 196 Jefferson St., Perth Amboy. Fill a bag for \$5. Book Dealers Welcome. For more information call 732-826-2600. Come out and support your public library.

#### Drivers Needed

FORDS — The American Cancer Society's Middlesex County Unit, Main Street, is seeking volunteers to transport cancer patients for lifesaving treatments.

For more information, call (732) 738-6800.



#### BENVENUTI FESTA DI SAN ANTONIO Saturday, June 11th Noon – 8PM Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary Church, 625 Florida Grove Rd., Hopelawn, NJ Møgr. Gambino Hall – Elevator Service Available Italian Food & Desserts (Eat In/Take Out) Hopelawn Engine Co. No. 1 Perth Amboy Police Dept. Child Fingerprinting Noon -3pm Dara the Clown – 4-6:30 pm (balloon artifa Rock Climbing Tower – weather permitting Please bring a non-courtesy Raritan Bay Area YMCA – Perth Amboy) perishable food item perishable food item to be donated to a Info: 732-826-2771 www.OLMHR.parishesonline.com local food pantry FREE DRAWING Bring this coupon for a chance to win dinner at a local Italian restaurant. Drawing at 7:30pm Name Address Phone # Feeta di San Antonio, Moet Holy Rosary Church (AG)



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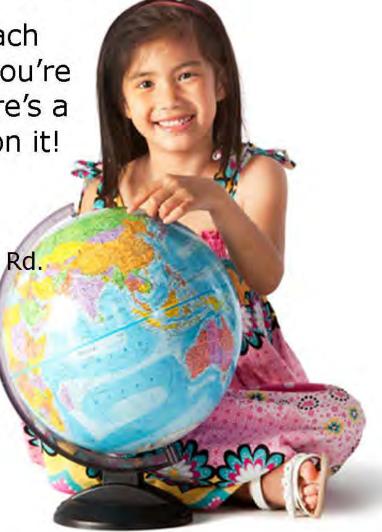
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### LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

#### **EDITORIAL**

#### THE COMMUNITY VOICE

#### Remember June 14 is Flag Day

Summer is here although the calendar says not officially until June 21, 2011. With the lazy hazy days of summer upon us, I decided to lighten up on my editorial. There are many interesting sites and memorials to see honoring our servicemen and women. One of my favorites happens to be on the Boardwalk in Atlantic City near Bali's Casino. It is dedicated to those who served in the Korean Conflict. There is an impressive 12 foot called, "THE MOURNING SOL-DIER" holding dog tags. On the wall behind that statue shows 6 soldiers under fire coming from under a waterfall. The street side shows another dramatic sculptor depicting 2 soldiers aiding a wounded soldier between them. There is also a short video presentation giving details about the war. Also etched into the wall are headshots of some of the heroes who showed great courage during the Korean Conflict. There are over 800 names displayed on the back wall of the memorial of New Jerseyans that were killed or missing in action. Many people automatically think of Atlantic City as a haven for gamblers but trust me - I've seen many families with their young children walking on the Boardwalk. You can also go swimming (without paying a fee). Another hidden treasure in Atlantic City is their small (free) museum. Although small, it is jammed packed with interesting artifacts about the glory days of this resort town. Donations are gladly accepted and you can easily spend an hour just looking at the history of Atlantic City. When you get tired of the Boardwalk, you can go into town to the many outlet stores or hop the jitney to the aquarium by the arena. There is an entrance fee

for the aquarium where you can walk around the marina and pop into one of the restaurants in the area for a quick bite or a leisurely meal. Another favorite activity to do (if you can call it that) is to just sit and do nothing. Go into the pier mall and take the escalator, elevator or stairs to the top level. Every hour there is a FANTASTIC DANCING WATER SHOW (anther freebee). Make sure you have good reading material, a nice cool drink, and a light snack or perhaps half a sub sandwich. You will find low beach chair complete with sand in this inside beach setting. The view is relaxing as you find yourself up high looking down at the ocean and beach. The only problem you may have is getting up to leave. There was a nasty rumor a couple of years ago that Donald Trump bought the Stell Pier amusement park to tear it down and build condos. I believe that deal fell apart - thank God. Seeing adults clutching a big stuffed animal that they won at one of the games they played always amuses me. They probably spent \$10 to win a \$3 prize. But what matters is that they won. The bottom line is please, try to find at least one day a month TO UNWIND, BE SILLY, HAVE FUN, BUT BE SAFE. You never know what tomorrow may bring. Happy Summer.

*C.M.* 





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#### Perth Amboy Library Support

I want to thank you, first of all for continuing to publish as The Amboy Guardian. Secondly 1 want to thank you for your editorial on April 27, "My Sentiments Exactly" where you suggest that "the Imperial Construction Company contribute to funding part to the reconstruction of the library, preferably the roof". We need and will accept all the funding we can get.

As you know, the city is in deep financial trouble, but the problems of the deterioration of the library remain. Besides the roof, it is not ADA accessible, does not have the space to meet the needs of today's and future patrons or staff and there are no public lavatories, to mention a

few of the problems. The building committee has hired an architect who has developed a plan which was approved by all of the trustees and the director, Pat Gandy. However, the price tag is high. The building committee met with the business administrator and he mentioned the need for an "angel investor". Awhile ago, someone mentioned Mike Shevell of NJ Transit, could he be an "angel"?. There are many people from Perth Amboy who have gone on to become wealthy and/or famous including Jon Bon Jovi. Thursday, I sent a letter to Bon Jovi's foundation asking him to consider supporting the Perth Amboy Library. If anyone out there knows of an possible "angel investor" please let me know. On another note, The

Celebrate Perth Amboy/Save Our Carnegie Library has conducted fund raisers and under this umbrella, Katherine Massopust and I have put out receptacles around town to raise money for the library. We have raised almost \$350 and we would like to thank all those who have contributed and will in the future. There are containers at Fertigs, Fink's, Pizzareli Restaurant, The Superior Diner, Mario's Pizzeria, The Diamond Buffet and Garden State Liquor. Please continue your generosity. It's a start.

Barbara Sottilaro, President Perth Amboy Free Public Library Board of Trustees and Liaison to Perth Amboy Friends of the Library.

#### In Memory of Rosemary Mazzeo

It was 1993. The Proprietary House had a house tour and served lunch at Nate and Norma Witkins' bucolic backyard. When I stopped there for lunch, an exuberant Rose Mazzeo approached me and said, "We're starting a garden club – there are a lot of designated garden areas around Perth Amboy that have been neglected. We can do something to improve the city." I replied that I didn't know a thing about gardening but I was willing to trade my labor for knowledge. Rosemary was so optimistic; her enthusiasm was infectious: and so the Royal Garden Club by the Bay was formed.

The Royal Garden Club by the Bay began as an adjunct of the Proprietary House Association in April 1993, and affiliated with the Garden Club of New Jersey in October 1993. The two objectives of the club were to create period gardens around the Royal Governor's Mansion/ Proprietary House and to beautify Perth Amboy by creating public gardens in the city. Rosemary Mazzeo was the founder and first president of the Royal Garden Club by the Bay.

We began with the tennis court area. The area in front of the tennis building had already been designed for formal gardens but had been neglected. We planted Rudbeckia, Marigolds and Daylilies, with Russian Sage inserted for contrast. We deemed it the" Sunshine Garden", not only

because it was in full sun, but because it appeared to be a sea of yellow. It became so lush, that it needed little weeding, and became practically maintenance free. It won many awards along with annual certificates of appreciation from the City. Rosemary documented everything through pictures and books of evidence, which were needed for state and national award competitions.

We then decided to each adopt a site and design it. We usually picked what was closest to our house. I adopted Bayview Park. We designed the hill to spell 1683 / Perth Amboy. The Perth Amboy High School woodshop built the letter and number forms, and inside them were planted red tulips in the spring and red and white impatiens in the summer. It was bordered by Holly, Rug Juniper and Iberius. Around the bandstand we planted Naturalized Lilies, Daylilies, Hostas and multicolored Impatiens. Rosemary systematically photographed and documented a book of evi-

The Butterfly Garden, the triangle at the foot of High Street, was adopted and designed by Donna Pemberton, with plants specifically chosen to attract butterflies. The first five years, it looked like a wedding cake. There was Black Night Butterfly bushes in the center, the middle layer was Echinacea, (purple Coneflower), with pink Sedum surrounding the border.. Three solid layers of spectacular

color. In its 6th year, we suffered a bad winter and the spray of salt from the trucks caused serious damage. It has struggled ever since, but we are beginning to see signs of life returning. Thanks to Rosemary, we have pictures and books of evidence, and our "Butterfly Garden" has remained the highest award winner.

The late Jackie Anderson, worked at what is now the Jankowski Center on Olive Street. She inspired and encouraged the seniors to get involved and plant the area in the back, and arranged to have a donated gazebo erected. When she passed away, her garden earned the moniker of "Jackie's Garden", which now Betty Crews lovingly maintains. Thank you, Rosemary, for documenting through photos and books of evidence.

Dolores Schanley designed and maintained the gardens behind Kearny Cottage and the Tennis building until she moved to Arizona.

We planted and designed Arneson Square, five Corners and Fink Park in our first five years. When Arneson and five Corners were redesigned, the City took over the planting and maintenance. Fink Park had no water source and became too difficult for us to maintain. It was an exhausting lesson. You cannot have a garden without water and sun. Thanks to Rosemary, we have pictures and documentation

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PERTH AMBOY — Raritan Bay Medical Center is sponsoring an HIV support group meeting on Monday, June 13, at 6 p.m.

Anyone diagnosed with or caring for someone infected with HIV is welcome to at-

Meetings are held at the hospital's Perth Amboy Division, New Brunswick Av-

To register or for more information, call (732) 324-

# Tea Room

PERTH AMBOY — The Tea Room at the historic Proprietary House, Kearny Avenue, is open on Wednesdays from 1 to 4 p.m.

For \$7 per person, visitors can enjoy assorted teas and delicious homemade desserts served by hostesses Helen, Dorothy and Kathy. Take a tour of the only remaining Royal Governor's Mansion in the

The Proprietary House, which was built between 1762 and 1764, and is on the State and National Registers of Historic Places, is owned by the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), Division of Parks & Forestry.

For more information or group reservations, call (732) 826-5527.

#### Reading Skills Classes

WOODBRIDGE - Rutgers Continuing Studies is offering in Cranford and Woodbridge Reading Skills and Speed Reading Programs for Children and Adults. Classes are taught by professional instructors from the Institute of Reading Development. All programs meet once each week. For more information or to register please contact 1-800-978-9596 Mon - Thurs 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., Fri 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., Sat 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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City Council, Regular, 7 p.m.,

City Hall, High St.

THURS. Jun 9 Municipal Court, 6 p.m.,

Court House, New Brunswick Ave.

TUES., Jun 14 Municipal Court, 9 a.m. and 6 p.m., Court House, New Brunswick Ave.

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City Hall, High St.

WED., Jun 15 Municipal Court, 1:30 p.m., Court House,

New Brunswick Ave.

THURS., Jun16 Municipal Court, 6 p.m.,

Court House, New Brunswick Ave.

Board of Education 7 p.m.

Perth Amboy High School, Eagle Ave.

MON. Jun 20, City Council, Caucuss 4:30 p.m. City Hall, High St.

#### **South Amboy**

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of our labor there.

Then, Rosemary had the idea to create a "Hummingbird Garden" at the foot of High Street at the Gazebo, which we initially called the miracle garden. The City was to rototil, but when we arrived to plant, we discovered they had just spread an inch of new soil on the surface over solid clay. For hours we labored with our pitchforks to turn over the "soil" in preparation for planting. In all of our history, that was the day from hell. We had our doubts anything would grow. Much to our amazement and joy, the garden flourished.

We planted a border hedge of Coreopsis along with Roses, Trumpet vine, Morning Glories, Columbine and annuals. The design by Rosemary and Donna Tkacs was intended to attract, of course, Hummingbirds.

Then, over the winter, the sand came. We asked for a snow fence but that never arrived. The coreopsis became diseased and died. We spent the spring shoveling sand out of our garden. Then a tree was donated in someone's memory and the parks dept. planted it right next to our garden, so one side lost the sun. No one thought to consult us. The reason we chose the sight initially was because of the sun – that's why the gazebo was there in the first place, to provide shade from the sun. Rosemary redesigned the sight to accommodate the general indifference to the garden. We planted grasses to hold the sand back. Rosemary never got to see her new design. It was around this time that her health started to fail. We also maintain the Fragrance

We also maintain the Fragrance Garden, in front of the Surveyor General's office, designed by Donna Pemberton, Market Square, designed by me, the Earl of Perth and Kearny Cottage, designed by Donna Tkacs, the Patriotic Garden, designed by Janice Jenson, the Rose Garden designed by Jeannette Miller, the Youth Garden at Perth Amboy High School, designed by Michele Liska, and the Ferry Slip garden designed by Nicole Engel.

We planted and designed an adjunct garden on the slope at Caledonia Park in the shape of a butterfly. That garden was removed when the city redesigned the park. Our Bayview Park garden was removed when the city redesigned that park.

Last year we planted Market Square Garden twice, and twice we watched it die due to malfunctioning irrigation systems. The award winning Sunshine Garden was destroyed when the safe haven program moved into the tennis building. We replanted three times and three times we saw it destroyed. The fire at the tennis building took out our Rose Garden. We have had our Daylilies, Hydrangeas and ornamental grasses weed-wacked.

All along, this club has faced challenges, from sheer frustration to shouldering insults.

We had a rose garden at one point and we hope we will again. We may lose the Patriotic Garden due to construction of the new tennis building. Thanks to Rosemary's example and inspiration, we have become one tenacious group. Our club's motto is "Bloom where you're planted." We are planting for our 18th year, which means I am 18 years older. We could use some young blood and muscle. The only requirements are love for Perth Amboy and to believe, as we do, that we all deserve a beautiful place to live.

Plans have been formulated for two new raised gardens with a central walk leading to a pergola with bench and space for wheelchairs at the tennis courts. We intend for that to be named in Rosemary's honor. I hoped she would have lived to see it come to fruition.

Rest in peace, Dear Rosemary, and thank you for all you did for Perth Amboy. Your spirit lives on through your vision and gardens.

Lisa Nanton, President The Royal Garden Club

#### Rosemary Mazzeo

Rosemary Mazzeo (nee Luchicchia/Lughes), 81 of Perth Amboy, died Saturday May 28, 2011 at Home. She was born in Perth Amboy and was a lifelong resident. She was a Communicant of Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary R.C.Church. She graduated Perth Amboy High School in 1947, The New Jersey State Teacher's College in 1951 and received a Master of Art Degree from Columbia University in 1967. She retired in 1991 as the Administrator of the Gifted & Talented Program with the Woodbridge Township Board of Education for over 40 vears. She married Joseph Mazzeo July 4, 1953. She loved her family, home, gardening, cooking her holiday dinners for family and friends and her summer vacations at Tremezzo on Lake Como in Italy, Germany and Bressanone in the South

Tyrol, a 36 year love affair. Rose was a very civic minded woman as one of the founders of the Royal Garden Club By The Bay, a member of the Proprietary House Association, the Middlesex County Cultural & Heritage Alliance and various educational associations. She was the recipient of the 1999 Civic Leader of the Year Award front the City of Perth Amboy, The "Gifted and Talented Student Award", presented by the P.T.O. in 1992, and the Alpha Delta Kappa outstanding Retired Educator of Woodbridge Township. She was truly the Butterfly, who when she fluttered her wings, caused a hurricane in another part of the world.

#### Gold Star Mothers

There has been a good-faith mistake printed in the above newspaper dated June 1, 2011 concerning the nature of Gold Star Mothers that suffered a great loss during WWII. Specifically, I did not state that Gold Star mothers were the mothers of servicemen in World War II. What I said was that Gold Star Mothers were the mothers of servicemen killed in during the war.

When a mother's sons or daughters went to war, she would get a small banner containing blue stars to hang in her window. To this day I remember seeing them in windows even though the war had ended years before. If a servicemen or woman was killed while serving in the war, a blue star was replaced with a gold star. It was considered a sign of respect for our war dead.

Jack M. Dudas

#### Healthy Feet Lecture

PERTH AMBOY - The Division of Integrative Medicine presents FREE Journey to Health Education Series discussing a variety of Integrative approaches to good health and wellness at the Raritan Bay Area YMCA, 365 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy on Thursday, June 9 at 7 p.m. Stephen Skokan, M.D. presents, "Healthy Feet: A Step in the Right Direction" Registration is required. For more information contact 732-442-3700 ext. 5861 or email IntegrativeMedicine@rbmc.org.

#### Festa di San Antonio

HOPELAWN - There will be a Festa di San Antonio at Gambino Hall at Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary Church, 625 Florida Grove Rd. Hopelawn on Saturday, June 11 from 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. There will be Italian Food and Deserts (Eat In /Take Out). Raffles to win Yankees Tickets and much more. Also there will be Child Fingerprinting from the Perth Amboy Police Dept from 12 noon to 3 p.m., Dara The Clown from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. (featuring face painting and balloon art) and a Rock Climbing Tower in the parking lot courtesy of the Perth Amboy Raritan Bay Area YMCA. Please bring a nonperishable food item which will be donated to the local food pantry. For more information call 732-826-2771.

# Smoke Detectors Provided

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Mayor Wilda Diaz and the Perth Amboy Fire Department are pleased to announce that the New Jersey Division of Fire Safety supplied the City of Perth Amboy with smoke detectors for public distribution. The Perth Amboy Fire Department will be installing the detectors upon request from residents who qualify. Smoke alarms are to be replaced every 10 years, must have batteries changed on annual basis and tested every month. To request the installation of a smoke detector, residents may contact Lieutenant Arroyo, Perth Amboy Fire Department at: 732-324-3505 or for additional information about the City of Perth Amboy or fire prevention safety, please visit: www.ci.perthamboy.nj.us.

#### One-On-One Computer Training

SOUTH AMBOY - There will be One-On-One Computer Training from May up until August on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. and Thursdays at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. at the Sadie Pope Dowdell Library, 100 Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. \$15 per session. Please call in advance and reserve your seat! 732-721-6060

# Trip to Renault Winery and Smithville

SAYREVILLE - There will be a trip to Renault Winery and Smithville on Wednesday, June 22 run by the Sayreville AARP Chapter #4853. Package includes bus transportation, wine testing with lunch, visiting the town to Smithville. Estimated price is \$50 per person not including tip. Full payment is due A.S.A.P. For more information call 732-721-1572 or 732-238-8049.

#### Live Concert

WOODBRIDGE - There will be a live concert featuring Dave Mason at Parker Press Park, 400 Rahway Ave., Woodbridge on Saturday, July 9, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30 in advance, \$35 at the door. Advanced tickets are available online at

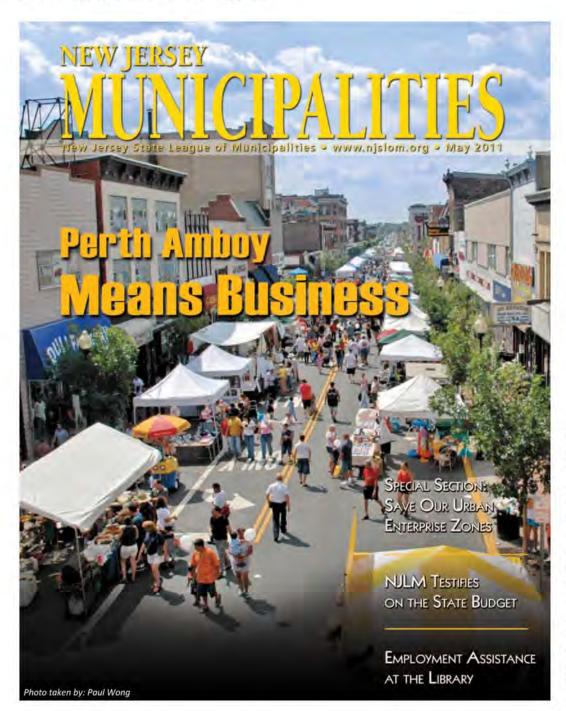
www.WoodbridgeArtsNJ.com. For more information please call 732-602-6015. Sponsored by the Renaissance Woodbridge Hotel.

#### Indoor/ Outdoor Flea Market

SOUTH AMBOY - There will be an Indoor/Outdoor Flea Market on, Saturday, June 11, at the Cafeteria (Star of the Sea Hall)Stevens Avenue & Second Street And Inner Parking Lot Off Augusta Street from 7:30 am to 1 p.m. It is that time of year to clean out your attics, basements, closets, and garages. Turn those unwanted treasures into cash by taking a table at St. Mary of South Amboy's Flea Market. Tables indoors are \$ 20.00 and outdoor space (bring your own table) is \$ 10.00. Indoor and outdoor space must be booked in advance so that we may accommodate everyone. Vendor setup will start at & 7:00am sharp. (Rain or Shine) A table will be setup to help St. Mary's Food Pantry, please bring non-perishable items (please check expiration dates). Also, we will be accepting any used clothing, accessories, stuffed animals, and linens (towels, sheets, comforters) for our clothing drive. Refreshments will be on sale in the cafeteria. For more information contact 732-501-5133.

#### Perth Amboy Means Business: Consolidation of Redevelopment Efforts

Perth Amboy Featured in the NJLM Magazine







Hon. Wilda Diaz, Mayor & Helga van Eckert, Director, Office of Economic Community Development, Redevelopment, UEZ and BID, City of Perth Amboy

y any ranking of attractiveness to business,
New Jersey's performance is dismal. Depending on which yardstick you use, our beautiful state ranks between 24th (CNBC) and 50th (Tax Foundation) among the 50 states in terms of attractiveness to business. To counter this negative perception, state officials have launched a marketing campaign to tout the advantages of locating in New Jersey. Recognizing the need to actively recruit businesses to our community, the City of Perth Amboy is doing the same.

Like the state, our beautiful "city by the bay" has much to recommend it, including a location at the heart of one of the world's largest and wealthiest consumer markets. We also have an outstanding transportation network that includes rail access, a deep-water port and easy access to Newark Liberty International Airport and a network of highways including Interstates 80, 95, 280 and 287 and the Garden State Parkway.

But if we are to attract the new jobs that are more critical to our prosperity than ever in light of the current high rates of unemployment, we need to create a business-friendly environment and get the word out that "Perth Amboy means business."

To accomplish this goal, Perth Amboy has restructured its approach to economic revitalization with the goal of competing nationally in terms of business recruitment and economic development. The first step was for the city to consolidate four separate city departments with business recruitment and economic development functions in order to create a comprehensive economic development plan.

Combining these offices, namely the Economic and Community Development, Redevelopment, Urban Enterprise Zone (UEZ) and the Business Improvement District (BID), has allowed the city to streamline operations, pool resources, avoid duplication of efforts, cut red tape and ramp up our game in an atmosphere in which the national competition to attract new business has become increasingly intense and sophisticated. Each of the newly united economic development functions possesses resources that can help businesses thrive; such as incentives, grants and loans. Community development, planning and support is also recognized as a key component to the economic development discussion because of the dependence of business recruitment and success upon a thriving community.

Obviously, these departments communicated closely prior to the restructuring, which occurred about six months ago. However, the new organization facilitates communications, operations and long-term and strategic planning. Each former department and the associated Board members benefit from access to the others' full scope of resources and areas of expertise. This is critical if they are going to address the changing needs of the business community.

On the business side, the length of the approvals process is a major complaint about New Jersey's business climate. Many projects have faltered or even failed as a consequence of delayed approvals. Stability and expeditious reviews are paramount in attracting new businesses and investment to a community. The new office serves as an advocate—helping businesses to cut red tape and navigate the approvals process.

For example, the new office might set up a technical meeting for a new or expanding business with all entities—including those at the county and state levels. This "one stop approach" allows businesses who are seeking permits to avoid making time-consuming rounds to several offices. Businesses that choose to locate in Perth Amboy may also be entitled to financial incentives. As a result of the NJ Portfield, UEZ, Redevelopment and Brownfield Development Area designations, properties in certain areas of the city can receive financial, planning and environmental remediation incentives, as well as expedited regulatory review and approvals.

However, we are not ignoring existing businesses. We take great pride in the businesses that have played a part in revitalizing our thriving downtown and our historic waterfront. Our goals—job creation, new tax ratables and overall prosperity—are also dependent on their success and growth. Some of our more popular economic development efforts with the existing businesses are focused on programs to improve facades, promote entrepreneurship, clean up litter, remove gum from city sidewalks and attract residents and visitors to the downtown through events.

While the city is implementing changes to create a pro-business environment, it is equally important that the perception of the city making business a priority creates a level of confidence that will allow a project to move forward. If a business sees that it is welcome and that the city will do everything it can to help, it makes a marked difference. To this end, the city has hired an experienced public relations firm, Beckerman, to help us craft our messaging, "brand" the city as business-friendly and develop traditional and "new" media public relations campaigns. We are expanding our outreach with Facebook and Twitter while also publicizing the achievements and activities of our existing businesses. Our recently unveiled website, perthamboymeansbusiness.com is a one-stop shop for everything business-related in the city.

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Additionally, we are partnering with Choose New Jersey, a private organization that is working with state officials to promote business, in a national marketing campaign. The campaign's primary vehicle will be a booklet-sized "New Jersey Economic Development Guide" in which Perth Amboy will be featured in several pages of ads highlighting the reasons to locate in our city.

Our efforts to revitalize the city have already met with considerable success. We've revitalized the waterfront, attracted new businesses such as Excalibur, LLC, and provided assistance to existing businesses such as Vira Manufacturing. We've also tackled improvements in quality of life by cleaning up environmentally contaminated sites. But if we are going to continue to prosper in an increasingly competitive climate, we need to be aggressive about attracting new business and promoting the growth of existing businesses. The uniting of our economic development functions, in conjunction with our new marketing campaign, are the key to that effort.•

#### Follow us on...







Professor Montemayor speaks to a crowd



Professor Montemayor explains Hispanic demographics in New Jersey

photos by Katherine Massopust

# Lecture on Hispanic Demographics

PERTH AMBOY - Professor Robert Montemayor made a presentation to a group of business owners, community leaders and others interested in knowing more of the population growth of Latinos in New Jersey on Thursday, June 2, 2011. According to Prof. Robert Montemayor, "Perth Amboy currently has a Latino population of 78. 1 percent, as recorded in the 2010 Census. It's important to understand and know how to reach out to the rapidly changing demographics in our city and state." Montemayor is a veteran marketing executive, consultant, author and Pulitzer Prize

winning journalist who is providing more than 35 years of media experience to Rutgers University. He is currently Director of the Latino Information Network at Rutgers University (LIN@R) and a lecturer of media, journalism and history in the School of Communication and Information. In 2004, Montemayor was the primary author of the book, "Right Before Our Eyes: Latinos Past, Present and Future," a 160-page treatment focusing on the economic, political and social impact of the largest and fastest growing ethnic group in the United States.

# Exhibit: "Greenable

WOODBRIDGE - There will be an art display of artist Lisa Bagwell and Friends, "Greenable Art" at the Barron Arts Center, 582 Rahway Ave, Woodbridge, NJ from June 16 - to July 8. There will be a Lisa Bagwell Artist Workshop on Saturday, June 18 from 12 pm to 3pm. Create art from recycled materials. Promote a healthy environment by exploring the possibilities of using items meant for the landfill for creative endeavors. For more information, please call (732) 634-0413

# Parade & Festival

FORDS - Fords Fire Company Presents: 100th Anniversary Parade & Festival Festivities at 11:30 a.m.. Parade at 1 p.m.. on June 11 at 667 King George Road, Fords. Call: 732-372-8972 for details.

#### City Wide Yard Sale

SOUTH AMBOY - There will be a city wide yard sale on Saturday, June 25. For more information call 732-727-4600.

# The Perth Amboy Arts Scene

by Tracy Jordan
PERTH AMBOY - The Arts
Council of Perth Amboy had its
third meeting on May 31st and
below is a draft of their summer events calendar:

June 25th - The arts community of Perth Amboy will participate in the Raritan Bay Festival at the Conferene House Park in Staten Island.

July 16th - At the Perth Amboy Gallery for the Arts, there will be an Open House/Group Artist Exhibit. Details to be forthcoming.

Aug. 6th - There will be art all along the waterfront promenade as part of Family Day, plus a sand sculpture event. Details to be forthcoming.

A Spoken Word Open Mic is to start on Thursday evenings commencing July 14th, as well as an open jazz jam session and open painting session, both to be on Saturdays, all to be held at the Gallery.

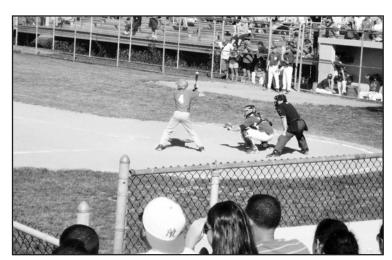
If you wish to receive Art News by email, join the Council or be placed in the Perth Amboy Artists Registry, contact Lis Mery Ramirez at lramirez@perthamboynj.org.

#### WEDCO Seminar

WOODBRIDGE - Looking to develop or redevelop? Need a strategic location for your business? Woodbridge is the place for you. Plan to attend the fifth in a series of conferences and seminars geared to update the corporate and business community on the status of development - redevelopment opportunities in Woodbridge Township, Middlesex County, New Jersey. There will be a WEDCO seminar on Monday, June 13. at the Renaissance Woodbridge Hotel, 515 Route 1 South, Iselin, NJ. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Lecture 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Featured Speaker: U.S. Senator Robert Menendez, Tracye McDaniel, CEO, Choose New Jersey. Hosted by Mayor John McCormac, Woodbridge Township. Sponsored by WEDCO. Cost \$50 per person.

## Wine Tasting & Dinner

AVENEL - There will be a Wolfpack Special Hockey United Spinal Rangers Hockey Wine Tasting & Dinner at Dominic's Restaurant at June 24 at 6 p.m., 453 Avenel St., Avenel. For more information call 732-548-9808.



Perth Amboy's Yonjerry Perez bats



The crowd at Rudyk Park

photos by Katherine Massopust

#### A Valiant Effort

PERTH AMBOY - The Perth Amboy High School Baseball Team put up a valiant effort against Westfield in the NJSIAA Baseball Tournament. Final Round, North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4. During the game, the Perth Amboy Panthers fell behind several times, each time fighting back but Westfield rallied in the top of the 7<sup>th</sup> inning. Perth Amboy rallied back in the bottom of the 7th with a 2 run home run by Abner Rodriguez and had the tying run at the plate but Westfield held on to win. Emilio Calderon (11-2) pitched

the entire game for Perth Amboy and finished his senior year at PAHS with 153 strikeouts. Rudyk Park was packed with cheering spectators including Mayor Wilda Diaz and members of the City Council and the Board of Education. Although the team lost the state tournament, the PAHS Baseball Team has played outstanding all season long and finished with a record of 22 wins and 5 loses. The Guardian congratulates the Perth Amboy High School Baseball Team on its winning season.

by Katherine Massopust

#### Art Classes for Kids and Adults

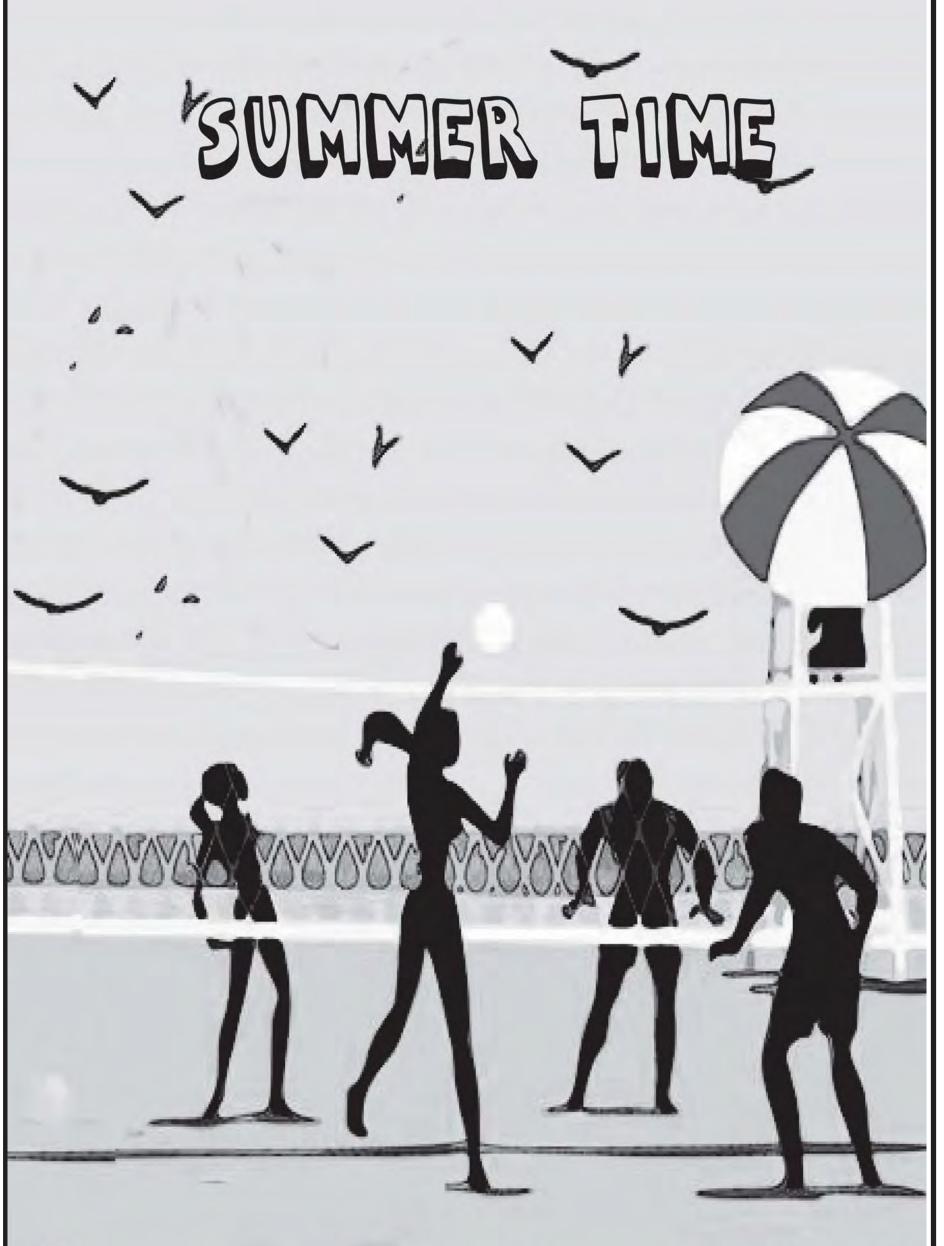
WOODBRIDGE - For all experience levels who wish to learn or improve their skills Kids—Drawing Program - \$75 per 8-week session Saturday mornings from 10 a.m.-11 a.m. at the Barron Arts Center, 582 Rahway Ave, Woodbridge, NJ. Painting Program - \$85 per 8week session Saturday mornings from 11a.m. - Noon. Adults-Drawing Program -\$115 per 8-week session Painting Program - \$115 per 8-week session. Saturday mornings from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Classes are held all year round! For more information about the classes or to register, please m a i jeffcohenbarronarts@hotmail.com

#### Outdoor Concert

WOODBRIDGE - There will be an outdoor concert of the music of Rock 'n Roll Music of "Wiser Time" on Thursday, July 14 at 8 p.m. at the Barron Arts Center, 582 Rahway Ave, Woodbridge, NJ Suggested Donation \$5.00 In case of rain, outdoor concerts will be held indoors and seating will be on a first-come, first-serve basis For more information call (732) 634-0413

# Live Music & Family Fun

WOODBRIDGE - Three will be a FREE concert at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 22 at Parker Press Park, 400 Rahway Ave., Woodbridge featuring the Irish Folk music of Girsa. Bring a Lawn Chair and Relax in the Park!



Fun in the Sun lusert 2011

#### CALENDAR OF SUMMER EVENTS

JUNE

**8- POETS WEDNESDAY** 

Barron Arts Center, Rahway Avenue, Woodbridge

(732) 634-0413

11- ANNUAL FESTA DI SAN ANTONIO Holy Rosary Church, Florida Grove Road, Hopelawn (732) 222-0400

(732) 826-277110

12 - 15th ANNUAL HALLAVENUE FESTIVAL

Hall Avenue, Perth Amboy

(732) 882-3866

10-12 - 25th ANNUAL N.J. SEAFOOD FESTIVAL

Silver Lake Park, Belmar

(732) 681-3700

10 - JUST US CRUISERS

Peter Pank Diner, Route 9, Sayreville

(732) 525-0412

17~20 - DOWNTOWN SIDEWALK SALE

Smith Street, Perth Amboy (732) -324-0678 Ask Yocasta

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17 - 24 -JUST US CRUISERS Peter Pank Diner, ROllte 9, Sayreville

(732) 525-0412

24 - 34th ANNUAL FROG HOLLOW 5K RUN &

. HEALTH WALK

Streets of South Amboy & Sayreville

(732) 727-9094

25- Wednesday City Wide Yard Sale

For additional information, please contact:events@southamboynj.gov or call Karen at

24- JUST US CRUISERS

Peter Pank Diner, Route 9, Sayreville

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(732) 525-0412

JULY

1-4- DOWNTOWN SIDEWALK SALE

Smith S-reet, Perth Amboy

(732) 442-7400

4 - 21th ANNUAL OCEANFEST

Promenade, Long Branch

3-10 CONCERTS BY THE BAY

Bayview Park, Perth Amboy

(732) 826-5281

13- POETS WEDNESDAY

Barron Arts Center, Rahway Avenue, Woodbridge

(732) 634-0413

1- JUST US CRUISERS

Peter Pank Diner, Route 9, Sayreville

(732) 525-0412

8-9- 30th ANNUAL PARISH FESTIVAL

La Asuncion Church, Cortland Street, Perth Amboy (732)525-0412

(732)826-4991

10 CONCERTS BY THE BAY

Bayview Park, Perth Amboy

(732) 826-5281

4- MAIN STREET CONCERT

Main Street & School Street, Woodbridge

(732) 602-6045

8- JUST US CRUISERS

Peter Pank Diner, Route 9, Sayre-ville

(732) 525-0412

9 - MAIN STREET CONCERT

Main Street & School Street. Woodbridge

(732) 602-6045

15-JUST US CRUISERS

Peter Pank Diner, Route 9, Sayreville

(732) 525-0412

15- RED, WHITE & BLUES CONCERT

Barron Arts Center, Rahway Avenue, Woodbridge

(732) 634-0413

16-25th ANNUAL SAND CASTLE CONTEST

Beachfront, Belmar

(732) 681-3700

23- BELARUSSIAN FESTIVAL

Belarussi-an-American Center, South River

(732)2!57-5007

16- RARITAN BAY ANGLERS 21th ANNUAL

CHARITY FLUKE TOURNAMENT Harborside Waterfront, Perth Amboy

(732) 322-2456

17,24,31- CONCERTS BY THE BAY

Bayview Park, Perth Amboy

(732) 826-5281

17- ANNUAL OUTDOOR FLEA MARKET

(732) 634-0413

Barron Arts Center, Woodbridge

27-31-37th ANNUAL MONMOUTH COUNTY FAIR

Monmouth County Fairgrounds, Freehold (732)842-4000

> FOR UPDATED SUMMER INFO, CALL 732-442-1900

29-31 - 29th ANNUAL N.J. FESTIVAL OF BALLOONING

Solberg Airport, Readington

(800) 468-2479

15-22-29 - JUST US CRUISERS

Peter Pank Diner, Route 9, Sayreville

(732) 525-0412

AUGUST

7-CONCERTS BY THE BAY

Bayview Park, Perth Amboy

(732) 826-5281

1 - 10th ANNUAL CAR SHOW & FLEA MARKET

Broadway, South Amboy

(732) 525-8378

5-JUST US CRUISERS Peter Pank Diner. Route 9. Sayreville

8-SALT WATER DAY Bachfront, Laurence Harbor

(732) 742-9212

10 - POETS WEDNESDAY

Barron Arts Center, Rahway Avenue, Woodbridge

(732) 634-0413

12-16 - DOWNTOWN SIDEWALK SALE

Smith Street, Perth Amboy

(732) -324-0678 Ask Yocasta

12 - JUST US CRUISERS

Peter Pank Diner, Route 9, Sayreville

(732) 525-0412

14 - CONCERTS BY THE BAY

Bayview Park, Perth Amboy

(732) 826-5281

14-13th ANNUAL HOFFMAN H.S. REUNION

Th-e Armory, Front Street, Perth Amboy

(732) 721-2956

19 - RED, WHITE & BLUES CONCERT

Barron Arts Center, 'Rahway Avenue, Woodbridge

(732) 634-0413

19 - JUST US CRUISERS

Peter Pank Diner, Route 9, Sayreville

(732) 525-0412

21-CONCERTS BY THE BAY Bayview Park, Perth Amboy

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26 - JUST US CRUISERS

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28 - CONCERTS BY THE BAY Bayview Park, Perth Amboy

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11 a.m.-2 p.m. Civil War

Re-enactors

11 a.m.-2 p.m. Berry Festival in

the Cottage

Perth Amboy's Historic Past

#### Mayor's Summer **Concert Series**

WOODBRIDGE - Summer Concert headliners take the stage every Monday night in July and August at 7:30 p.m. on the stage behind Woodbridge High School, George Frederick Plaza, Woodbridge. The Concerts are FREE. Seating is not provided. Please remember to bring a lawn chair or blankets. Concert goers are encouraged to bring canned goods and nonperishable food items for donation to Township food banks. On July 11 will be "Brooklyn Reunion Show" Featuring The Classics, The Passions and The Mystics. July 18, will be "Big Shot" a Billy Joel Tribute. The Mayor's Summer Concert Series is sponsored by Sansone's Route 1 Auto Mall, ShopRite, and Woodbridge Center Mall.

#### **Poets** Wednesday

WOODBRIDGE - Poet's Wednesday featuring Edwin Torres will be on Wednesday, June 8 from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Barron Arts Center, Rahway Woodbridge, NJ. There is a Workshop at 7 p.m. For more information, please contact (908) 272-314. Email: PoetRed@aol.com Website: www.poetswednesday.cjb.net



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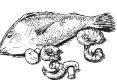
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SANDY HOOK - Sandy Hook / Highlands History: Originally discovered by the famous Sea Captain Henry Hudson in the early 1600's, Sandy Hook remains a beautiful, 1,665-acre barrier peninsula within view of the Manhattan skyline. It is recommended that those who would like to spend some time in Sandy Hook stay in Highlands, which is located on the hill across the bay.

**Beach Info -** The 7 mile stretch of spectacular ocean and bay beaches are excellent for surf casting, swimming, and relaxing on the sand. Nature lovers will revel in the 300 – plus species of migratory birds, as well as the pristine holly forest. Be Warned! Parking lots fill up early on weekends in the summer, causing the gates to close. 2011 Season- Memorial Day through Labor Day - Although there is no entrance fee to Sandy Hook, there is a \$10 per car parking fee. A \$50 Seasonal Beach Pass is also available. Golden Access and Golden Age Passport holders receive a 50 percent discount. Passes for oversized vehicles (over 20 feet) **are \$25.** Gateway National Park at Sandy Hook is a 'dog friendly' beach on the Inlet side of the Hook but your dogs must be leashed at all times. Please note that there are no amenities (i.e. life guards, rest rooms, food or beverages) available on the Inlet side (western shore) of the Park. Dogs are not allowed at any time on the eastern or Atlantic shore of the Park.

New York Beach Ferry - Spend a day relaxing on the beach, swimming, sun tanning, bird watching, fishing (check with local laws), or sightseeing in Sandy Hook and Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey. Ferries will depart from Pier 11, www.newyorkbeachferry.com.

**SeaStreak Ferry** - SeaStreak America, Inc. is a leader in revitalizing fast passenger ferry services in the New York metropolitan area. Visit their website at http://www.seastreak.com.

**Big Mohawk Party Boat -** The Big Mohawk NJ Party Boat, located in the Jersey Shore town of Belmar, Services also provided are Private Charters and Burials at Sea

Sea Devil Party Boat - The Sea Devil NJ Party Boat, located in the Jersey Shore town of Point Pleasant Beach, offers New Jersey Blue Fishing and Offshore NJ Tuna Fishing trips. Other services also provided are Inland River Cruises and Burials at Sea.

**Bike Trails** - Rails-to-Trails Conservancy (RTC) is an organization dedicated to assisting local communities in the acquisition of abandoned railroad corridors and the conversion of these corridors into trails that are used for biking, walking and running. Most trails are limited to a 3 percent incline because this is the default characteristic of a railroad track. The gentle slope of a railroad trail is ideally suited for various forms of exercise: rollerblading, biking, jogging and leisurely strolls all occur on these different trails. Henry Hudson Trail - Jersey **Shore Location:** Aberdeen to Atlantic Highlands Activities: Walking, Horseback Riding, Biking, Cross Country Skiing, In-line Skating, Wheelchair Accessible

### Summer at the Hook

Length: 9 miles

Sandy Hook All Women Lifeguard Tournament - The Sandy Hook All Women Lifeguard Tournament is held every July and include women's teams from as far away as Cape Cod, Massachusetts and Nags Head, North Carolina. The lifeguards of the sandy Hook All Women Lifeguard Tournament are competitors for the honor of the towns they represent and as a group are responsible for saving dozens of lives each summer.

Lighthouse Keeper's Quarters
Art Exhibit Schedule - Visit the
front room of the Lighthouse
Keeper's Quarters for an enjoyable experience viewing artwork
and photographs from local artists.
2011 Exhibit Schedule

May 7 – Jun 25 - Judy Stach and Students - Judy Stach and her students present *Life on Sandy Hook.*Jun 25 – Jul 30 - Robert Hillmann - Robert Hillmann is a local photographer who captures the treasure of Sandy Hook and Fort Hancock through the photographer's eye.

<u>July 30 – Sep 3</u> - **Deborah Redden -** A lifetime resident of the Jersey Shore and avid sailor, paints on location.

<u>Sep 3 – Oct 29</u> - **Robert Grunke and Vicky Culver** - Explore the splendor of Monmouth County, as well as environs beyond.

NJ Audubon Society's Sandy Hook Bird Observatory - 732-872-2500 Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.to 5 p.m. Sunday 10 am.m to 3 p.m. Closed Mondays

Sandy Hook Bird Observatory Calendar Field Trips - By caravan with naturalists to seasonally productive birding or nature areas. To facilitate sending directions please include your e-mail address with your check or when you register, otherwise please include your mailing address. Single trips: \$15 members, \$20 nonmembers, and SHBO volunteers \$10, with no cancellations or refunds. Trips go in any weather, usually to midafternoon. Bring lunch, weather-appropriate gear, binoculars, and scopes when appropriate. Upon receipt of check, directions with instructions will be e-mailed or sent, usually one week in advance. Trips include:

Thu, Jun 9 - Meet at 8:00 a.m.-The second of three trips to Lakehurst for grassland specialties Sun, June 12 - Meet at 8:15 a.m.-A new birding location, Perrineville Lake Park in Millstone.

Wed, Jun 15 - Meet at 8:15 a.m.
- A weekday adventure to Old Mine Road at Delaware Watergap Fri, Jun 17 to Monday, June 20
- Annual Adirondacks van trip for great northern specialties

Sat, Jun 18 - Meet at 7:00 a.m. - The Elk Township Trail in Gloucester for a 5 mile hike

**Thu, Jun 23 - Meet at 8:00 a.m.**- The third of three visits to the base at Lakehurst for grassland specialties

Sat, Jun 25 - Meet at 8:15 a.m. - A day of great passerine birding along the Old Mine Road in Sussex County, meeting at Delaware Watergap.

Sun, Jun 26 - Meet at 7:15 a.m.

- A birding adventure in the Highlands, visiting Mahlon Dickerson Reservation.

**Thu, Jun 30 - Meet at 8:15 a.m.**-A last chance for warblers this season on Old Mine Road at Delaware Watergap

Sat, Jul 9 - Meet at 7:00 a.m.-Lloyd Shaw will guide you at New Brooklyn Park and Winslow WMA Sun, Jul 10 - Meet at 8:15a.m. -Associate naturalist will lead you at the Sourland Mountains.

**Sat, Jul 23 - Meet at 8:45 a.m. -** The first of Pete's trips to Forsythe (Brigantine).

Sat, Aug 6 - Meet at 8:45 a.m. - Join Pete for the second of his trips to Brig (Forsythe NWR) in search of interesting shorebirds.

Fri, Aug 12, and Sat, Aug 13 -Annual 2-day adventure to Bombay Hook in Del

Sun Aug 21 - Meet at 8:30 a.m. Associate naturalists will guide you at Brigantine

Sat, Aug 27 - Meet at 8:15 a.m. - Search of passerines at Sandy Hook.

Sun, Aug 28 - Meet at 7 a.m. - Accompany Tom Boyle on an early morning adventure for passerines and surprises at Sandy Hook.

BIRDING FOR BEGINNERS WITH PATRICK BELARDO - Sun, Jun 26 - 8 a.m. to 12 noon - Meet at the Bayberry (B) lot. Free to the public, but please preregister by calling 732-872-2500.

16th ANNUAL BOMBAY HOOK WEEKEND - Fri and Sat, Aug 12 and 13 - Anchored in Dover, Del. this trip explores one of the East Coast's top shorebirding sites over two days. The trip offers an excellent opportunity to study a wide variety of shorebirds. Meet at 9:30 a.m. on Fri and Sat. Cost for one day: \$40 members, \$50 nonmembers. Cost for both days: \$75 members, 85 nonmembers. Cost does not include transportation, food, or lodging.

#### **ONGOING EVENTS**

Sandy Hook Visitor Center - The former Spermaceti Cove Life-Saving Service Station contains exhibits and a bookstore. The Visitor Center is open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 732-872-5970 for more information. Trace the history of the U.S. Lifesaving Service, and check out the nature exhibits, as well as have any Sandy Hook related questions answered by the Ranger on duty.

Sandy Hook Lighthouse - Tours are given daily from 1 p.m.to 4:30 p.m. Sandy Hook Lighthouse Tours are first-come, first-served. Visitors must be at least 48 inches tall to climb the tower. Groups need reservations in advance for a Lighthouse tour. Contact the park Visitor Center at 732-872-5970.

Sandy Hook Lighthouse Keepers Quarters - The Lighthouse Keepers Quarters has exhibits on New Jersey Lighthouses. Weekdays April through October, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Weekends 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. History House - This 1898 lieutenant's residence along "Officers Row" is furnished to the 1940's. Open Weekends 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Step back in time to the 1940's at History House, where visitors can help make WWII recipes, cultivate the Victory Garden, and spend time

with living historians learning about the era.

Battery Potter - Tour Sandy Hook's oldest gun battery. Opens on weekends in 2011 starting May 1 through October 30 from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Visit the nation's oldest concrete gun emplacement, and decide for yourself whether it was a technological marvel or military mistake.

**Battery Gunnison -** Weekends 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. - Visit and chat with living historians from the Army Ground Forces Association to find out why the 6" guns here were fired six times between the fall of 1943 and spring of 1944.

Fort Hancock Museum - The former post guardhouse contains exhibits on Fort Hancock. Currently closed for renovations. Did you know that Fort Hancock had an integrated unit in World War II? The 1225th Army Service Unit had African-American soldiersand in 1943 received a group from the Women's Army Corps.

Canoe the Bay - 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays Starts June 20. Meet at the Sandy Hook Visitor Center. Explore Sandy Hook Bay from an ideal vantage point-the water itself! Rangers guide you on a two hour paddle of the bayside waters and Skeleton Hill Island. Free, but reservations required. Call 732-872-5970

Crustacean of the Day - 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. - Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays Starts June 21, Beach Area E. Rangers will share fun facts and close-up looks at marine life with beachgoers of all ages.

From French Fries to Fuel: Biodiesel at the Beach - Wednesdays Starts June 22, 2011 - 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 PM North Beach Pavilion - Explore with rangers the process of turning French Fry grease into fuel at this hands-on demonstration.

Seining at Horseshoe Cove - 10 a.m. to 12 noon Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays Starts June 27 - Join our interpretive staff for some seining to explore hands-on what marine creatures are lurking just beneath the surface of the bay.

Nike Missile Radar Site - Sunday, June 5 & 26, Saturday, June 18, 12 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Parking Area L -Tour the site where radar guided supersonic Nike Missiles guarded New York during the Cold War.

Monmouth County Audubon Society Bird Walk - Thursday, June 9 - 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Meet at the Sandy Hook Visitor Center Parking Lot. Join us for an evening walk along the bayside and the sunset from the migration watch platform overlooking the dunes and New York City.

Sand Castle Building Day - Saturday, June 11- 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Horseshoe Cove

The Sandy Hook Child Care Center invites families to bring children for a fun day at the beach building sand castles with family and friends. Free, all buckets and shovels will be supplied by SHCCC.

Night Prowl - Saturday, June 11 - 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Meet at the Sandy Hook Visitor Center Explore Sandy Hook's Holly Forest on this sensory walk led by a ranger. Free.

Bunker to Bunker - Tues, June14 - 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Meet at the Sandy Hook Visitor Center Parking Lot - Visit a WWII gun battery at Fort Hancock then car caravan to Hartshorne Woods County Park in Highlands, NJ to visit two other WWII gun batteries. Bring flashlights. Free, but reservations required. Call 732-872-5970.

Beach Concert - Rip Tide (Classic & Jam Rock) - Wednesday, June 15- 6 p.m. Beach E. Free

Night Hike - Thurs, June 16 - 6:30 p.m. - 8:p.m. Meet at Beach Parking Lot C - Explore various parts of Sandy Hook's ecosystem and history with this summer's series of night hikes. This hike will feature bayside exploration during the high season for horseshoe crab sightings. Don't forget to wear good sand/walking shoes and bring bug repellent. Free, but reservations required. Call 732-872-5970.

Summer Solstice Walk on Sandy Hook - Tues, Jun 21-8 pm. to 10 p.m. Meet at Guardian Park - Take a two mile stroll on the hook on the longest day of the year. You can also bring a dinner, sit on the Society's front porch and enjoy the sunset beforehand. A special tour inside a gun battery may be included. Free, but reservations required. Call 732-291-0055.

Junior Ranger Program - Splishy, Splashy, Squishy; Let's Go Seining! (ages 2-4, parent must be present) Wed, Jun 22 - 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. Meet at Horseshoe Cove. Reservation required: 732-872-5970

Beach Concert - The Shots (Party Rock with a Celtic Flair) - Wed, Jun 22 6 p.m. Beach E. Free

Junior Ranger Program - Treasure Hunter (ages 7-11) Tues, Jun 28 - 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Meet at the History House. Reservation required: 732-872-5970

Going Bunkers! Tues, Jun 28 -6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Meet at the Theater Parking Lot. Explore some of Sandy Hook's hidden gun batteries with Park Historian Tom Hoffman. Ranger Tom will explain the batteries functions, and how they adapted through time. For the first time in many years, the inner tunnels of the Mortar Battery are available for exploration. Hear about the years it served as the intelligence command post for all of NY Harbor. Free, but reservations required. Call 732-872-5970.

Junior Ranger Program - Holly Safari - (ages 2-4, parent must be present) - Wed, Jun 29 - 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. Hike and learn in the Holly Forest. Meet at the Visitor Center Reservation required: 732-872-5970

Junior Ranger Program - Horseshoe Crab - (ages 7-11) Wed, Jun 29 - 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Meet at Horseshoe Cove - Reservation required: 732-872-5970

Beach Concert - Tim McLoone & The Shirleys (Rock/Americana) - Wed, Jun 29 - 6 p.m. Beach E. Free



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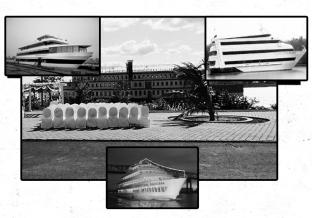
Sayreville Recreation Dept Summer Activities

June 11 - Community Flea Market - Borough Hall Soccer Field
June 18 - 9:15 p.m. - Movies in the Park - Kennedy Park - Iron Man 2
July 2 - 4 p.m.- Independence Day Celebration - Rain Date July 3 - Kennedy
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#### New Jersey Vietnam Veterans' **Memorial Foundation** Vietnam Era Museum & Educational Center

#### **Calendar of Events**

HOLMDEL - March through September - The History of POW/MIA Awareness Exhibit - A collection of POW/MIA memorabilia will be on display to highlight the history of support for POW/MIA awareness during the Vietnam War. Regular admission to the Vietnam Era Museum & Educational Center applies to view this exhibit.

March through Sept 2011 -Vietnam: Then & Now Photography Exhibit - Christine Cuthbertson of Cranford, NJ captured thousands of images during a trip to Vietnam in 2009. Her photographs will be compared to her brother's photographs from his tour of duty, showing how Vietnam has changed. This exhibit is on display within the Testimony Theater in the Vietnam Era Museum & Educational Center. Regular admission applies to view this exhibit.

June - Saturday, June 25 - 1 p.m. - The Home Front During the War in *Vietnam -* An analysis of the news media coverage and the actual picture by journalist Charles Wiley of NJ.

**July -** Saturday, July 23, 1 p.m. - **APOW's Story.** Discussion with Former POW David Drummond from Manalapan, NJ. who was taken prisoner by the North Vietnamese in December 1972 until Operation Homecoming in March 1973. Regular admission applies to attend this event. Teachers can receive professional credit hours for attending. Please RSVP to (732) 335-0033.

17th Annual Golf Outing - July 25 - Old York Country Club, Ches-

August - Saturday, August 20, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. - 2nd Annual Family Day: Salute a Soldier - Families are invited to participate in activities for all ages to show patriotism and appreciation to veterans and active military personnel. Regular admission applies to attend this event. Please RSVP to (732) 335-0033. August 22, 23, 24, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Introducing the 2011 Academy Leadership Boot Camp Experience -The New Jersey Vietnam Veterans' Memorial Foundation is happy to report the partnership with Academy Leadership is

continuing with the Leadership Boot Camp Experience scheduled for August 22-24. Head to the Vietnam Era Museum & Educational Center located adjacent to the New Jersey Vietnam Veterans' Memorial for an intensive three-day leadership training program from Academy Leadership. Academy Leadership's Boot Camp Experience is led by Joseph Barkley, U.S. Military Academy graduate who brings the leadership principles learned at West Point and honed by deep experience in the military and the corporate world. To learn more about this exciting opportunity and to register please go to http://www.academyleadership.com/ **bootcamp**/. Enter code BARKLEY 11 at the end of the registration process for discount. Academy Leadership is a registered educational provider and part of the Project Management Institute.

#### **Keyport Summer Concert Series**

Saturday - July 2 - Kagero - Espresso Joe's, 50 West Front St Keyport, NJ

**Thursday, July 14 -** 8 p.m. - 11 p.m. **-** Eryn Shewell w/ Outside The Box

Friday, August 19 · 8 p.m. - 11 p.m. - Karisa Nowak 50 West Front Street, Keyport, NJ







#### Summer Concerts at PNC Bank Arts Center

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Wed, June 8 - 7:30 p.m. - Daryl Hall & John Oates

Fri, June 10 - 7:30 p.m. - Deep Purple

Tues, July 5 - 7 p.m. - Yes & Styx

**Sat, July 9 - 7 p.m.** - O.A.R.

Tues, July 12 - 7 p.m. - Kid Rock with Sheryl Crow

Wed, July 13 - 7:30 p.m. - Def Leppard

Fri, July 15 - 4 p.m. - Brad Paisley w/Blake Shelton & Jerrod Niemann

Sun, July 17 - 7 p.m. - Motley Crue

Thurs, July 12 - 7 p.m. - Unity Tour, 311 & Sublime with Rome

Fri, July 22 - 7 p.m. - Goo Goo Dolls

Sat, July 23 - 6 p.m. - Miranda Cosgrove w/Cody Simpson & Greyson Chance

Sun, July 24 - 7 p.m. - Furthur featuring Phil Lesh & Bob Weir

Wed, July 27 - 2:15 p.m. - Rockstar Energy Drink Mayhem Festival

July 28 - 7 p.m. - The Flaming Lips and Weezer

Fri, July 29 - 7 p.m. - Tim McGraw w/Luke Bryan & The Band Perry

Sat, July 30 - 7 p.m. - Aretha Franklin

Sun, July 31 - 8 p.m. - Tiffany & Deborah Gibson

Sat, August 6 - 9 p.m. - Janet Jackson

Fri, August 12 - 8 p.m. - Chelsea Handler

Sun, August 14 - 8 p.m. - Identity Tour

Wed, August 17 - 7 p.m. - Kings of Leon

Fri, August 19 - 7:30 p.m. - Ke\$ha Presents The Get \$leazy Tour

Sat, August 20 - 7 p.m. - Selena Gomez

Sun, August 20 - 7 p.m. - Lynyrd Skynyrd & the Doobie Brothers

Tues, August 23 - 5 p.m. - Whitesnake w/Tesla, Sebastian Bach, Lita Ford & Firehouse

Wed, August 24 - 7 p.m. - Journey

Fri August 26 - 7 p.m. - Maroon 5 & Train with Gavin Degraw

Sun August 28 - 7:30 pm. - B.B. King Rib Fest Featuring J. Geils Band

Fri, Sep 2 - 7:30 p.m. - Toby Keith w/Eric Church

#### Sandy Hook Beach Concerts

#### Wednesday Nights 6:00 P.M. Beach E

June 15 - Rip Tide (Classic & Jam Rock)

June 22 - The Shots (Party Rock with a Celtic Flair)

June 29 - Tim McLoone & The Shirleys (Rock/Americana)

July 6 - Pat Guadagno & the Candle Brothers (Folk Rock)

July 13 - Brian Kirk & The Jirks (Rock & Roll)

July 20 - BethAnne Clayton (Country Rock)

July 27 - British Invasion Tribute

August 3 - Tim McLoone & The Shirley's (Rock/Americana)

August 10 - Quincy Mumford (Rock n' Reggae)

August 17 - Rain Date

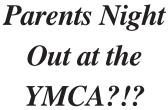
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#### Car Show

WOODBRIDGE - Raritan Bay Cruisers will have their car show every Tuesday at Pizza Hut, Route 9, Woodbridge during the months of June, July, and August. For more information call 732-442-2034.



#### Plays in the Park



Annie Wednesday, Jun 22 through Saturday, July 2No Sundays | 8:30 pm



Hairspray Wednesday, Jul 13 through Saturday, Jul 23No Sundays | 8:30 pm



Godspell Wednesday, Aug 3 through Saturday, Aug 13No Sundays | 8:30 pm



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Joseph 2011 Mon, Dec 26 at 2 p.m. Mon, Dec 26 at 8 p.m.Tues, Dec 27 at 8 p.m.Wed, Dec 28 at 8 p.m.

All Summer Performances Begin at 8:30 p.m. No Performances on SundayAdults - \$7.00, Senior Citizens -\$5.00, Children 12 and Under Free

Shows play every night of the week at 8:30, except for Sundays. Plays-in-the-Park is located 1 block south of the Menlo Park Mall off of Route 1, in Edison, N.J. The turn off is called Grandview Avenue. At the top of the short hill make your first right on to Pine Drive and the Park Rangers will guide you to a parking spot.Fax:732-548-1484 • Phone: 732-548-2884This program is funded in part by the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the Middlesex County Cultural and Heritage Commission with assistance thru a grant provided by New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Dept of State.





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Regular hours: 9am-4pm Before Care: 8am-9am 4pm-5:30pm After Care: Preschool After Care: 4pm-6pm

Activity Description: Structured, well supervised activities will take place on a daily basis. The children are given the opportunity to meet friends, play games, create, relax and enjoy a snack all within an environment conducive to educating the kids about the core values of the Y: Caring, Honesty, Respect & Responsibility. Our program is further enhanced by craft projects, field trips, discussion times around themes, and more.

For more details about camp please call us.

Detalles del programa: El campamento de verano de el YMCA operara nueve sesiones semanales en nuestra comunidad.

Horas regulares: 9am-4pm 8am-9am Cuidado Antes: Cuidado Despues: 4pm-5:30pm Cuidado Pre-escolar Despues: 4pm-6pm

Descripcion de las actividades: Estructural, actividades supervisadas que se llevaran a cabo todos los dias. Los niños tendran la oportunidad de conocer amigos, jugar, crear, relajarse y tener una merienda nutritiva. Todo esto en un ambiente dedicado a educar a los niños sobre los valores de la Y: Cariño, Honestidad, Respeto y Responsabilidad. Nuestro programa esta basado en proyectos de manualidades, excurciones, discuciones de los dias festivos y mas.

Para mas detalles sobre el campamento por favor contactenos.

TRADITIONAL CAMP		Ages: 3-12	
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Sessions	Starts	Ends
Session 1	June 27, 2011	July 1, 2011
Session 2*	July 5, 2011	July 8, 2011
Session 3	July 11, 2011	July 15, 2011
Session 4	July 18, 2011	July 22, 2011
Session 5	July 25, 2011	July 29, 2011
Session 6	August 1, 2011	August 5, 2011
Session 7	August 8, 2011	August 12, 2011
Session 8	August 15, 2011	August 19, 2011
Session 9	August 22, 2011	August 26, 2011
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**ENRICHMENT CAMP** - Perth Amboy Site ONLY Ages: 5-12

Sessions	Starts	Ends	
Session 1	July 11, 2011	July 15, 2011	Martial Arts
Session 2	July 18, 2011	July 22, 2011	Swim
Session 3	July 25, 2011	July 29, 2011	Basketball (Ages 10-14)
Session 4	August 1, 2011	August 5, 2011	Soccer
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#### The Greek Festival - St. Demetrious Church - June 3, 4, 5, 2011

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Rev. Angelo Michael with Evelyn Mariolis



A crowd at the Greek Festival



Working in the kitchen



Alex Vosinas and son, George help out at the festival



Seniors enjoying lunch



Gary Earl Rumpf, Joey Diaz and friends enjoy lunch



Rev. Angelo Michael cutting meat for the festival



Kids enjoy the boat rides



Greek dancers entertain the crowd



Enjoying a great meal

#### Sunday Swim Club

PERTH AMBOY — The City of Perth Amboy, in partnership with Alianza and the Raritan Bay Area YMCA, invites children with special needs and their families to Sunday Swim Club on Sunday, June 12, from noon to 4 p.m. at the 'Y,' New Brunswick Avenue.

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# Computer Workshop

SOUTH AMBOY - The Dowdell Library and Middlesex County College are partnering to offer a series of Free Computer Workshops for South Amboy Job Seekers at the Dowdell Library, 100 Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. Workshops will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Class size is limited. Registration required. A \$20 reservation fee is mandatory and will be refunded only upon completion of each class. Using E-mail: June 14 & 16. For more information call (732) 721-6060.

#### Senior Vendors Wanted

PERTH AMBOY - The City of Perth Amboy Office on Aging will be having a Flea Market at 9 a.m. on Friday's and is looking for Senior Vendors during the summer months at the Alexander F. Jankowski Community Center, One Olive St., Perth Amboy. For more information call 732-826-1690 ext. 4307 or 4326.

#### Kearny Cottage Open

PERTH AMBOY - Come visit the historic home of Commodore Lawrence Kearny. The Cottage is located at 63 Catalpa Ave, Perth Amboy, and is open on Mondays and Thursdays from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. and the last Sunday of the month from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. Anyone interested in joining the Kearny Cottage Historical Society please contact 732-675-8826.



Colonel Heard and his men.



Linda Blomquist as Elizabeth Franklin, Kurt Epps as William Franklin and Gene Hoyas as Colonel Nathaniel Heard re-enact the Arrest of Royal Governor William Franklin at the Proprietary House, Sunday June 5, 2011

photos by Paul W. Wang



#### Fluke Tournament

PERTH AMBOY - There will be a charity Fluke Tournament on Saturday, July 16 at the Raritan Bay Anglers Club -Perth Amboy For more information call 732-322-2456.

#### Live Concert

WOODBRIDGE - There will be a live concert featuring Nils Lofgren at Parker Press Park, 400 Rahway Ave., Woodbridge on Monday, July 4, at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. Advanced tickets are available online at <a href="https://www.WoodbridgeArtsNJ.com">www.WoodbridgeArtsNJ.com</a>. For more information please call 732-602-6015. Sponsored by the Renaissance Woodbridge Hotel.

#### Fluke Tournament

WOODBRIDGE - Mayor John E. McCormac's Fluke Tournament will be on June 18 at the Sewaren Boat Launch from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost is \$125.00 per person. Prizes (based on 40 boats)

1st Place......\$1,000.00 2nd Place.....\$500.00 3rd Place.....\$250.00 4th Place.....\$150.00

Junior Angler......\$100.00 Mandatory captains meeting at the Woodbridge Elks on June 18 at 7 p.m. For more information call the recreation department at 732-596-4048. All proceeds will go to medical bills incurred by the McQuade family. Joseph McQuade was diagnosed on October 27, 2010 with a Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (DIPG), a rare inoperable brain tumor that rapidly diminishes the ability to walk, talk and use his hands while leaving thinking intact. He underwent extensive radiation treatment and experimental chemotherapy which had many horrible side effects. He was a very good student that loved math. He enjoyed basketball, soccer and Boy Scouts. He belonged to troop 523 and aspired to be an eagle scout. His favorite team was the Mets. His condition deteriorated and he passed away on April 12,2011 just 5 1/2 months after his diagnosis. Joseph's family is grateful to all who are helping to put their lives back together, but they realize that their lives will be forever changed by this unbelievably cruel disease. Mayor John E. McCormac Vito Cimilluca, Recreation Director



# Great American Bake Sale

WOODBRIDGE - The Great American Bake Sale comes to Woodbridge on Sunday, June 12 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Saint George Crossing At Route 1 & St. George Avenue (Shop Rite Shopping Center) FIGHT TO END CHILD-HOOD HUNGER! Organized by the MOMS Club of Woodbridge Great American Bake Sale sponsored by The Food Network and Family Circle.

#### A.A.R.P. Meeting

SAYREVILLE - The Sayreville Chapter #4853 of A.A.R.P Meetings are held at the Sayreville Senior Center (Main St.) on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month starting at 12 NOON. There are different informative speakers at each meeting. Food and coffee are offered at reasonable prices. Membership is \$5 per year. New members are welcomed at every meeting. Come and make some new friends.

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### ENTERTAINMENT

#### Movie Review: Kung Fu Panda 2

In "Kung Fu Panda 2" the hero, a roly-poly panda named Po, voiced by the irrepressible Jack Black, undergoes an identity crisis. Raised by a doting, dithering, noodle-shop-owning goose, Po experiences flashbacks to a traumatic infancy, including hazy recollections of his parents that look sketched by hand, in contrast to the computer-polished, 3-D images that dominate the movie. As Po tries to work out his issues, "Kung Fu Panda 2," directed by Jennifer Yuh Nelson from a screenplay by Jonathan Aibel and Glenn Berger, succumbs to its own crippling confusion. The first "Kung Fu Panda," released in 2008, was a rambunctious, whimsical blend of action, iokiness and sentiment, lifted above the kiddie-cartoon mean by its shiny, playful look and Mr. Black's endlessly adaptable charm. The movie was also a big enough hit to make unthinkable it that DreamWorks Animation, which ran poor Shrek into the ground, would let it stand alone. So the studio worked up this sequel, which accomplishes the depressingly familiar mathematical trick of

being both more and less than its predecessor.

The upside of the "more" is that there is, once again, quite a lot of nice stuff to look at, an expanded palette of clever and sometimes beautiful visual effects. Like the first "Panda" picture — and like the intermittently sublime "How to Train Your Dragon" — "Kung Fu Panda 2" uses 3-D technology with flair and restraint, adding pop to the action sequences and depth to the landscapes, which evoke an ancient China spun out of candy.

The palaces and villages, the mountains and bamboo forests, to say nothing of the beasts who populate this confectionary realm, are evidence of an affectionate, irreverent interest in Chinese artistic traditions. (Hans Zimmer's score is a witty pastiche that includes some choice '70s-style chopsocky riffs as well as more stately pseudo classical swatches.) The movie is an obvious parody of sword- and martial-arts wuxia movies, but it also serves as an invitation to young audiences, who may find that Po's antics have sparked an appetite for the more grown-up pleasures of movies like "Crouching Tiger,

Hidden Dragon" or "Curse of the Golden Flower."

Vengeance and bloodshed figure prominently in many of those movies, and also, somewhat disconcertingly, in "Kung Fu Panda 2." The villain, a peacock named Shen (with the reliably sinister voice of Gary Oldman), has not only usurped the imperial throne, aided by some nasty, armor-plated wolves. He has also conducted a campaign of genocide against pandas, an atrocity that figures in Po's half-repressed memories. Apparently Po is the only surviving member of his species, which makes him both the target of Shen's violence and an agent of righteous vengeance. I say "apparently" because an unexplained bit of revisionism at the end of the movie reveals that Shen's panda slaughter was not as extensive as previously believed. Have I spoiled anything? If you are 7, maybe. If not, I have spared you some uncomfortable explaining, and allowed you to reassure panicky children in your company that everything will be O.K. Everything always is in this kind of movie, but this one plays with some unusually dark and upsetting material.

Its escalation of evil messes up the highspirited sweetness that was the most winning feature of the first movie. Po's clumsy, goofy eagerness no longer seems quite as amusing now that he is a psychologically damaged warrior. And his action-team entourage, drawn from various species of

animal and movie star — praying mantis, tiger, monkey, etc; Seth Rogen, Angelina Jolie, Jackie Chan, etc. — do more to crowd the picture than to enliven it. On the other hand, an elderly soothsayer voiced by Michelle Yeoh steals every scene she's in.

So all in all, "Kung Fu Panda 2" is about what you would expect, and its audience is likely to settle for it in the absence of a compelling alternative. ("I've seen hundreds of movies that were better than this one,"



Early on, Po's teacher, speaking in the gravelly tones of Dustin Hoffman and doing a cool trick with a drop of water, advises his disciple to seek "inner peace." "Inner piece of what?" Po asks. Of the box office grosses for "Kung Fu Panda" 3 and 4, I'd guess.

Paul W. Wang

#### WILLOW POND PARK

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Staying late and enjoying this magnificent wetland after dark Loving the beautiful ecosystem of Perth Amboy's Willow Park

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Willow Pond Park

#### Willow Pond Stocking and Info Session

PERTH AMBOY — Mayor Wilda Diaz and the Office of Recreation invite all students and children to attend the stocking of Willow Pond and to help transport the fish to the water on Saturday, June 11, at 11:00 a.m. Willow Pond, 500 Dorothy Ave (Behind Wendy's on Convery Blvd.) A representative from Musky Trout Hatchery will teach attendees about fish habitat, feeding and spawning habits, and fishing tips. The pond will be stocked with Largemouth Bass, Bluegill Sun Fish, Channel Catfish, and Fathead Minnows.

The native fish species added to the pond also for fishing and helps control the mosquito population in the area. Fishing is not permitted on the same day of the stocking. Individuals 16 years of age and older must have a Fresh-Water fishing license. Those fishing are NOT allowed to take any fish. It is required that individuals catch and release the fish. For more information call 732-826-1690 ext. 4305.

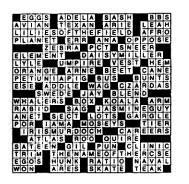
### Senior Citizen Art Contest

EDISON - The Middlesex County Department of Senior Services will be having a Senior Citizen Art Contest from July 18 to August 12 at the Studio Art Gallery, Middlesex County College, Performing Arts Center, 2600 Woodbridge Ave., Edison. To enter, participants must be ages 60 yrs or over and currently reside in Middlesex County. One entry per person in past 3 years. Categories are: Professional and Non-Professional. Acrylic, Craft, Computer Imagery, Drawing, Mixed Media, Oil, Pastel, Photography, Print, Sculpture and Watercolor. All works must be "show ready." Call 732-745-4305 for complete guidelines. Please register by June 17.

#### Volunteer Firefighters Needed

PERTH AMBOY - The Perth Amboy Fire Department: Volunteer Division needs members. Accepting men and women ages 18 years or older. Volunteers must be a Perth Amboy resident. For more information please contact 732-442-3430.

> Crossword Answers From Puzzle On Page 23



#### Public Library Book Sale

PARLIN - The Friends of the Sayreville Public Library will hold their summer book sale on Sunday, June 12 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the library located on Washington Road in Parlin. The sale will be held in the library conference room. Fill a bag with books for only \$8.00. Choose from a great selection of titles with something for all ages. Bags will be supplies by the Friends' group. For information contact Teri at 732-727-7639.

#### Raritan Bay Festival

STATEN ISLAND - The Raritan Bay Festival will be held at Conference House Park, on Saturday, June 25. Come celebrate the Waterfront from 12 Noon to 5 p.m. There will be kayaking, craft and art exhibits and demonstrations, live music, historic Conference House Tours, Fishing, Oyster Farm, food, and much more. Sponsored by the City of New York Parks and Recreation, Kayak Staten Island and the Conference House Association.

# Landings Project Update

PERTH AMBOY - The Landings Project Update Meeting of the Perth Amboy Waterfront Homeowners Coalition will meet on Monday, June 13 at 7 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall at the High Street Circle, 288 High St. The speaker is Helga Van Eckert, Director of the Perth Amboy Redevelopment Agency. This is an important opportunity to hear the current status of the Landings Project and ask questions. This grassroots group meets monthly and was formed by Dyana Olesak about 10 months ago for all who live in Perth Amboy. To be put on her email notice list contact her at dreamtravel12@msn.com.

# 2011 MAPS Day Camp

PERTH AMBOY - There will be a MAPS Day Camp starting July 5 until August 12, Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. MAPS Summer camp offers Arts & Crafts, Bowling, Indoor/outdoor activities, Swimming & Field Trips. Summer is more than just sunny days - it's a chance to make friends, have fun and discover new things. Camp Fees for Perth Amboy Residents (proof of residency required) - \$300 per child. Non-Perth Amboy Residents - \$375 per child. For more Information Contact the Perth Amboy Office of Recreation, 1 Olive St., Perth Amboy, 732-826ext. 4325 or 1690 LRamirez@perthamboynj.org

#### **Senior Scene**

#### **Happenings**

#### **Perth Amboy**

TODAY, Jun 8 Simpson Seniors, 10 a.m., Williamson Hall, High St.

 Holy Rosary Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Auditorium, Florida Grove Rd.

• St. Stephen's Seniors, 1 p.m., Cafeteria, State St. THURS., Jun 9 Second Baptist Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life

Center, Madison Ave.

MON., Jun 13 St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.

TUES., Jun 14 Holy Spirit Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Church Hall, Brace Ave.

Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.

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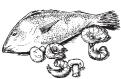
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#### **LOOKING BACK**



PERTH AMBOY - Katherine Massopust (age 16) with her mother, Marcella Massopust marching in the Perth Amboy Tercentennial Parade, June 4, 1983 in traditional Ukrainian Costumes. *Photo by George Schneck* 

#### Gardening **Volunteers** Needed

PERTH AMBOY - The Royal Garden Club is looking for members or individuals to simply to help maintain the City's gardens. The Royal Garden Club works every Saturday morning starting in May and design, plant and maintain 11 gardens in the City. The Garden Club meetings are the first Wednesday of the month at St Peter's Parish House on Rector Street at 7pm. The Gardens maintained by the RGC are: 1. Butterfly 2. Hummingbird (foot of High Street by the Gazebo) 3. Kearny Cottage 4. Jackie's Garden - Olive Street (Jankowski community center) 5. Ferry Slip 6. Patriotic Garden (by Kearny Cottage) 7.Market Square 8. Rose Garden (by Kearny cottage) 9.Fragrance Garden (City Hall) 10. Youth Garden (Perth Amboy High School) 11. Veteran's Memorial. For more information call 732-324-2361.

#### **Auditions for** South Amboy **Theater Production**

SOUTH AMBOY - Mecca Entertainment, LLC (Formerly Triple H Productions) & The Studio<sup>TM</sup>, in collaboration with the City of South Amboy Department of Recreation, are proud to announce auditions for the central NJ premier of "Disney's Camp Rock - The Musical" at the South Amboy Middle-High School Theatre. Performances will take place July 22-24. Auditions are by appointment only and are open to all students in Grades 5-12. All roles are open and the staff is seeking diverse, triplethreat performers from across the region to take part in this once in a lifetime opportunity. Auditions will be held at the South Amboy YMCA (200 John T. O'Leary Blvd.) Students & Parents can call the Studio offices at (732) 910-7006 for more information and register for an audition appointment by visiting the "AU-**DITIONS**" page www.mecca**entertainment.com** - students and parents are also encouraged to follow the group on Facebook & Twitter for the most detailed and up to date information.

#### **Community** Flea Market

SAYREVILLE - There will be a community Flea Market on Saturday, June 11 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Boro Hall Soccer Field (Behind Boro Hall) Tables - \$10 Residents, \$20 Non-Residents. For more information call 732-390-7092 or 732-390-7096

#### Live Music & Family Fun

WOODBRIDGE - Three will be a FREE concert at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8 at Parker Press Park, 400 Rahway Ave., Woodbridge featuring the Bluegrass/Americana music of Red Molly. Bring a Lawn Chair and Relax in the Park!

#### Outdoor **Concert**

WOODBRIDGE - There will be a concert of Mark Miklos and the Ramblers on Thursday, June 9, at 8 p.m. at the Barron Arts Center, 582 Rahway Avenue, Woodbridge New Jersey. Admission is free. There is a \$5 suggested donation. In case of rain, outdoor concerts will be held indoors and seating will be first-come, first-seated basis. For more information call 732-634-0413. Sponsored by the Woodbridge Township Cultural Arts Commission and the Woodbridge Township Arts Council with the support of Mayor John McCormac. Funding has been made possible in part by the Middlesex County Cultural and Heritage Commission through a grant provided by the NJ State Council on the Arts/Dept. of State partner agency of the National Endowments for the

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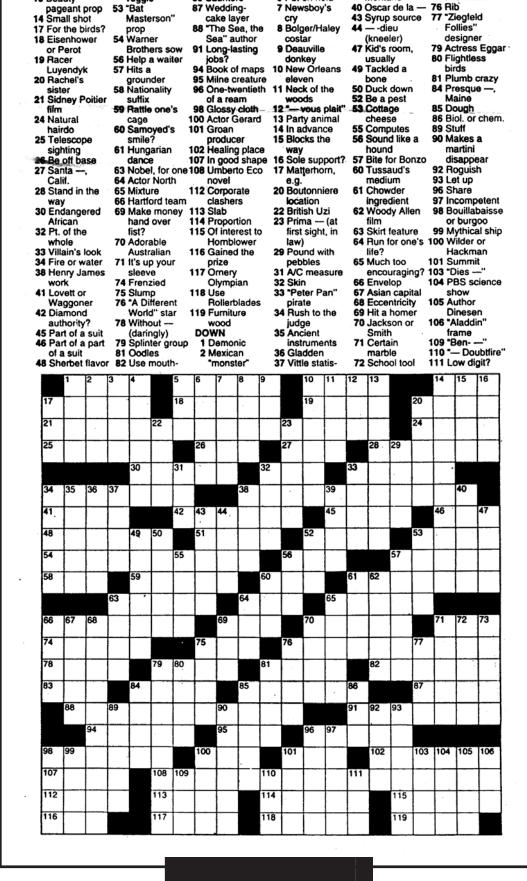
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