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## Public Advocate Needed? Water Spike Hike Questioned



Paul Danielczyk

PERTH AMBOY - Local Businessman Paul Danielczyk spoke at the 3/12/14 Council Meeting on behalf of his mother who lives in Perth Amboy. Danielczyk was concerned because his mother's water bill is usually between \$40 to \$60. The last bill was \$732. Her five gallon tank had been replaced by a 1.6 gallon tank.

"My mother is 89 years old. I called the B.A. who suggested she could be put on a payment plan. My mom who is very alert says she is not paying this bill. The plumber came and said there is nothing wrong with her toilet."

Danielczyk believes that there may be an electronic or billing error. B.A. Greg Fehrenbach said, "Two to three people looked at her meter and electronic logs are done for all readings. I don't know how often calibrations are done. The meter was even sent out for testing. An USAPA employee did a radio and visual on it. There's no evidence that the meter had false readings or tampering done. Mr. Danielczyk was concerned that there was no paperwork from the City. He would like the City to contact the plumber about this problem so we can have this bill resolved. The B.A. reported that Luis Perez Jimenez (Director of Operations at the at the USAPA (Utility Service Associates Perth Amboy) Middlesex Water Company)



Stanley Sierakowski

called the plumber, but there was no solution."

Fehrenbach said, "Perez agreed that this resident's water bill had consistently been in the \$40 to \$60 range except in that one month where there was a large spike. Then it went back down."

Resident Alan Silber said that he knows this woman and she has never been late on her water bill. "For her bill to be that high, it would be as if she was filling three huge swimming pools. Like I said before, this town needs a Public Advocate. A Public Advocate would free up time for City Employees. Residents can contact that advocate when they are having a problem such as this woman with her water bill. He/she would be able to field questions from the residents, contact the necessary departments and report back to the residents a possible solution to their problems."

A Council Member asked Silber if he wanted the job.

Resident Stanley Sierakowski said there could be a simple solution to this high bill. "It could be a billing error. Was a decimal point put in the wrong place? Check it out."

Residents have complained about a large spike in their water bills at previous meetings.

Resident Dave Szilagyi suggested how you can test the water in your toilet tank for leakage by using food coloring. (You can Google it!)

## Addressing the Past, the Present, Looking Towards the Future South Amboy State of the City 3/20/14



Mayor Fred Henry



Mayor Henry & Michael Jacobs

By: Carolyn Maxwell & Katherine Massopust  
SOUTH AMBOY - Mayor Fred Henry gave his annual State of the City Address. It was held on Friday, March 14, 2014 at 12 Noon at the Charles A. Hoffman Senior Center located in the YMCA. The Mayor thanked all for taking time out from their busy day to attend. He acknowledged the City Council, Local and Middlesex County Representatives, City Employees and Department Heads, volunteers and community leaders. Henry gave an overview of some of the problems that the City has encountered in the past, what is now in place to correct some of these issues and plans for a promising economic growth. He enlisted the help of Police Chief Darren Lavigne. Lavigne gave an overview of how



Venetian Health Care & Rehabilitation Building - Artists Rendition



Police Chief Darren Lavigne (R) and Captain Joseph Matarangolo (L)  
\*Photos by Katherine Massopust

the Police Department has worked with the community, the Council and the Mayor for the betterment of the City. Lavigne said, "Without any cost to the City, some of our members attended a specialized training course at Texas A&M dealing with Homeland Security. We developed lasting relationships with police departments from other states who attended the course at the same time. This training was invaluable." Lavigne thanked NJ Transit for their assistance.

Mayor Henry acknowledged Councilman Mickey Gross for his work at the St. Patrick's Day Parade and said Gross will again head the City's plans with Perth Amboy for a joint 2014 fireworks scheduled for July 3. The fireworks were cancelled last year due to Superstorm Sandy. "We are now

in the first stages of planning the joint celebration. The cost to the cities will be the same as last time - none." The plan is for the fireworks to be paid for by private donations.

Henry spoke about two important anniversaries coming up: the 100th Anniversary of the Sadie Pope Dowdell Library, and the 125th Anniversary of the South Amboy Fire Department. Mayor Henry thanked both organizations for all of their years of service.

Mayor Henry continued his speech, stating that all the Firehouses, City Hall and the Police Department now have generators in case of another disaster such as Superstorm Sandy. Henry thanked JCP&L (Jersey City Power & Light) for donating the generators.

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*South Amboy State of the City*



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Camille Tooker  
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Amboy Historical Society

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The First Responders now have a new rescue equipment truck where all their equipment is stored in one place. Congratulations were given to the South Amboy First Aid Squad who were number one in OEM (Office of Emergency Management) response.

Police Chief Darren Lavigne acknowledged the passing of Detective Daniel Kudelka and others who served in the Police Department. Besides his own department, he acknowledged the heads of the Fire Department and First Aid Squad for their service. Lavigne said, “There is a new communications system in place for the Police Department. It was Mayor Henry who initiated getting the NIXLE System in place. The NIXLE system is up and ready and free to the public. South Amboy Public TV (Channel 15) is also used as a community bulletin board.”

The Chief also talked about how City Officials assisted during Superstorm Sandy. “Mayor Henry can be a tough taskmaster. I was with him 24/7 during the storm and afterward.” Lavigne thanked the Department of Public Works who jumped through hoops during the storm. “I want to thank the current and former Council Members for listening to us and meeting our needs. They always have open ears. I thank B.A. Camille Tooker for her tireless work in the City.” Lavigne then thanked, “My Number Two.” Captain Matarangolo.

“As far as the concerns of our residents, some of our Detectives and Officers responded to and were successful in apprehending individuals dealing in illegal drug activity around the schools,” Lavigne said.

“There was an armed robbery and one of our Officers along with the assistance of the Sayreville Police not only apprehended the suspect, but recovered illegal handguns and other paraphernalia that was in the vehicle,” Lavigne

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Shoregate Residents



Mayor Fred Henry with his family



Mayor Henry, Students along with History Teacher Tony Gonzalez



South Amboy Seniors from McCarthy Towers  
\*Photos by Katherine Massopust & Carolyn Maxwell



## Atlantic City Bus Trip

PERTH AMBOY - Bus Trip to Resorts Casino in Atlantic City on Sunday, March 30. Bus leaves the church at 12 noon. Sponsored by the Fellowship Circle of the Hungarian Reformed Church, 331 Kirkland Pl., Perth Amboy. 6 hour stay at casino from when we arrive in AC. Cost \$25 pp. Receive \$25 slot play bagged lunch provided. To reserve a seat call: Julie - 732-261-8726.

## Lenten Dinners

PERTH AMBOY - Lenten Dinners Every Friday During Lent Served From 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Magyar Reformed Church Center, Corner of Fayette Street and Kirkland Place, Perth Amboy, Dessert, Coffee and Tea will be served with each meal. Dinners are as follows: March 21- Stuffed Shells (Spinach & Cheese), Friday, March 28 - Spaghetti and Cheese Balls, April 4 - Breaded Flounder, April 11 - Cabbage Noodles. Donation - \$13 per dinner. 6 Dinners for \$70 (One dinner for each week). Children 12 and under - \$6 Reservations Required - No tickets sold at the door. For More Info and Reservations Please Call: Pat - 732-442-0224, Pam - 732-257-7182 or Rev. Szasz - 732-442-7799.

## PUSHM Art Show

PERTH AMBOY - On Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. there will be an opening reception for an art show for People United for Self Help & More. Aside from PUSHM artists there will be other both famous and celebrated artists donating their time and talents for this worthy cause. Diverse media such as photo's, acrylics, computer generated pix's and more will show. From 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on both reception nights, the artists will greet, meet and if expressed receive offers for their work. There will even be an artist creating his work live.

It will run during business hours daily when you can order, and until the closing reception on March 29<sup>th</sup> from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Hosting will be the Raritan Bay Coffee Company, located on the street level at 249 Smith Street, Perth Amboy Train Station, Perth Amboy NJ with free ample parking. Some proceeds will go to the charity. The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments may be purchased at the Coffee Company. Come there for the enjoyable times. For RSVP or more info call 732 406-3574 or email PUSHMselfhelp@gmail.com.

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LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

EDITORIAL

I’m Puzzled

People are elected sometimes by a large margin and sometimes they just squeak by. The bottom line is they are accountable to all the residents in the City no matter how big or small their margin of victory.

This is why I was puzzled at a recent Perth Amboy Council Meeting. A resident made a comment to a specific Council Member that they barely won their seat.

I didn’t see that resident’s point for making that statement. If you look on the City’s website, each Council Member has their contact information listed. I didn’t see an asterisk next to any of the Member’s names stating their vote count.

For that matter, if a resident has a problem, I don’t believe an resident would refrain from discussing a problem with any Council Member based on the number of votes that the individual received.

Our neighbor South Amboy despite having a much smaller population and square miles has a ward system. Depending on what section of town you live in, you are represented by one particular Council Member and they also have Council Members-at-Large.

Would this system work in Perth Amboy? Personally, I don’t think there would be enough people interested in running in each ward. It wouldn’t surprise me if people were elected by write-in votes based on the ward they are in. I talked to some residents who frequently speak at the Council Meetings. I suggested that they should run for office. I told them that they aren’t afraid to speak their minds and are often approached by others to speak for them. Sometimes because they fear speaking in public, especially at Council Meetings. Plus the residents I urge to run often come to the meetings with statistics, articles and other information to backup what they are saying.

I remember when one of these residents I spoke to about run-

ning said that they already had a job and are too busy to be on the Council. Frankly, you are already doing the work! Need I remind you that some of the Council Members have full time jobs.

Another argument of theirs was that they were of the ‘wrong ethnic persuasion’ to win. All I can say is: I’m not buying that. If people see that you are a fighter, especially if they feel you are fighting for their cause, surprises can happen. Just remember, it is very difficult to be in the hot seat. Once you are an elected official, you can become target practice.

But there are definitely some things that you can control or bring more light to. You may have difference of opinions with your fellow Council Members. By talking things out, you may be able to persuade them to come around to your point of view.

There may be things that you want to change when it comes to how Municipal Board Members are appointed. Pay to Play could be better monitored if you were on board. Developers may think twice about promises they know would be impossible to keep and you could play hardball just as skillfully as they do.

I know all of this is hard work. If you show the same passion when you get up to speak at the Meetings, I am sure that you’ll be more than up to the challenge.

A friend of mine called me and said he heard that nine people are running for Council this year. I told him, “I can’t be concerned about that right now. What matters are not the number of people who say they are going to run, but who will qualify after their petitions are handed in? Then, let the games begin!” Are you in? *C.M.*



Eddie T and the BOE

It’s truly amazing that this BOE would listen to Eddie T on appointing a baseball coach. This is the same Eddie T that sold a polluted property in 1998 to the BOE for 1,450,000 dollars, the same property that he paid less than

250,000 dollars for. To this day the property is still vacant and still costing the taxpayers’ money. Someone should ask Wilda Diaz’s campaign manager Tom Zambrowski, who was the Board president at the time of the purchase and Mayor Diaz’s running mate Councilman Fernando Irizarry, who was on the BOE Building and Grounds Committee in 1998,

why they paid so much for a property that 15 years later is still vacant. Joe Vas was the Mayor in 1998 and Wilda Diaz is the Mayor in 2014 and Eddie T is still getting whatever he wants. Some things never change.

Ken Balut

Military Gun Control?

That letter in the 3-5-14 issue offered a cure for the “gun problem” that is false. Is he asking for a military dictatorship? That shooting in Fort Hood Texas a few years ago shows that an undefined “military way” is no guarantee. The statement that “no one can own or drive a motor vehicle unless one is duly licensed” is also false. Corporations, like dealers or rental companies, own motor vehicles but have never gained an operator’s license. Riding mowers do not require a license. I once saw a motorized wheelchair on a street, did they have a wheelchair license? You can drive a motor vehicle without a license, registration, or insurance as long as it is on private land. Teenagers in rural areas have done this on a family farm. Motor vehicles are only classified as

deadly weapons when used to assault another person. Could a horse and buggy also assault a person?

If motorized vehicles were around in the 18th century there could have been an Amendment in the Bill of Rights that banned the Federal government from restricting the rights of the people to own and drive motor vehicles. Without such an amendment the Federal government does not restrict the right of people to own and drive motor vehicles. Or even a horse and buggy. Who would want it any different?

The Second Amendment bans the Federal government from restricting the rights of the people to keep and bear arms (using the widest possible definition). Its purpose was to keep political power in the hands of the people, not a Royalist Army (as in King George’s time). Elbridge

Gerry and Patrick Henry were quoted as saying they would never fear for democracy in America as long as there was a militia where the people elected their officers. This was done in the First Republic (as per Charles A. Beard) from 1776 to 1876. Davy Crockett was first elected Colonel in the militia and later served three terms as a Congressman from Tennessee. Those who want or need to learn more about American history should read a good history book from their Public Library. You can learn about the Bill of Rights by reading Leonard Levy’s book. After 1991 Congress sent a copy of “The Bill of Rights and Beyond” to every Public Library in America. Don’t get unreliable information from an editorial in a newspaper or a voice on talk radio.

Ronald A. Sobieraj

The Face of Obama

This letter is meant to confuse and enlighten anyone who reads this. For those who have listened to our President’s speeches, many come away confused and not knowing what he really said. There are words which I will use which may seem foreign to you but the meaning will be “to illustrate” how confusing something so simple can be made to be overwhelming. We have in the White House a **cockalorum** (which means: self-important little man) who is **hyperbolic** (unable to make decisions). Point in question: troops to Afghanistan. Do we stay or do we pull out? Our troops defending that country and our honor wait while Obama, the **limitarian** (salvation restricted to a certain group of individuals). Weigh the facts and information given to him by the generals in

the field. He continues to **malversation** (misuse of funds) and he certainly a **marplot** (one who ruins best laid plans thereby becoming a **naffin** (one who is almost an idiot).

Because of his **pleinosis** (an exaggerated sense of one’s importance) and his **psaphonics** (seeking fame and glory for one’s self), this country continues in a downward spiral.

He continues to use **rabu-  
listic** (legal trickery), and becomes the **snolligoster** (unprincipled person or politician at the top of the list). Because of all that he has attempted, he is a **sophomaniac** (one under the delusion he is wise) and last but not least, he is a **timeserver** (changes opinions to fit the times).

After reading all of this, does it not give you pause to reflect upon everything Obama has done? He definitely has a method to his madness. It’s called socialism which has never worked anywhere. I do not say this lightly but look

where we are compared to 5 ½ years ago. Everything that has happened, that he has done, he must bear credit. He cannot blame this all on past administrations.

When Jimmy Carter left office, he left the country in shambles. When Ronald Reagan came to office, he gave us hope. He made us feel proud of who we are and where we come from. He did not go about the world apologizing for our country. We are the country that gave the lives of many of our sons and daughters. Too many are left in foreign lands.

We are a proud people. We will and should not be controlled by politicians who only have their own concerns in mind.

As you can see, words make a difference. Read this again without the meaning and you would not know what I said.

Barbara Skokan

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SOUTH AMBOY - The Kidz Wii Club will meet every Friday at 3 p.m. at the Sadie Pope Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. For more info call 732-721-6060.

## Kearny

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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. The Kearny Cottage needs your help. Anyone interested in joining the Kearny Cottage Historical Society please contact 732-293-1090. We are on the web! [www.KearnyCottage.org](http://www.KearnyCottage.org)

## HIV Support

PERTH AMBOY — Raritan Bay Medical Center is sponsoring an HIV support group meeting on Monday's at 6 p.m. Anyone diagnosed with or caring for someone infected with HIV is welcome to attend. Meetings are held at the hospital's Perth Amboy Division, New Brunswick Avenue.

To register or for more information, call (732) 324-5022.

## 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 or 732-324-3505.

## Monthly Book Club

SEWAREN - There will be a monthly book club at the Sewaren Library, 546 West Ave, Sewaren. For more info call 732-634-7571 or email [sewarenlibrary@gmail.com](mailto:sewarenlibrary@gmail.com). We are looking for adults to join a book club starting in November. Please fill out the attached form if you are interested in joining us. Day and time will be determined by interest. The first Book will be Defending Jacob by William Landay.

## Community Calendar

### Perth Amboy

FRI. Mar. 21 BID Special Meeting, 12 Noon  
City Hall, High St.

MON. Mar. 24 City Council, Caucus, 4:30 p.m.  
City Hall, High St.

WED. Mar. 26 City Council, Regular, 7 p.m.  
City Hall, High St.

THURS. Mar. 27 Board of Education, 6 p.m.  
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### South Amboy

WED. Mar. 19 City Council, Regular, 7 p.m.  
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## South Amboy

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said.

He cited other officers of the police department who successfully performed CPR to save a resident's life.

"South Amboy is a tight knit community. Every radio transmission is recorded and reviewed."

Lavigne spoke about recent burglaries of valuables left in parked cars. "The SAPD went on foot and worked with Councilwoman Zuzette Dato handing out pamphlets. This is a message that we will not tolerate this kind of activity. But we need the cooperation of the public."

Mayor Henry took the floor again and listed all the new businesses that opened up downtown.

"The Venetian Health Care Center which is practically across from the Y is scheduled to open June 2014." He thanked Michael Jacobs, Vice-President of Windsor Health Care for bringing this multi-million dollar project and ratables into South Amboy."

Mayor Henry then gave an update on the Ferry Service returning to South Amboy.

"Phase I (the bridge) is done. Phase II (the road extension) is done. Phase III (the parking lot and terminal) – We are waiting to hear from the State."

Henry then thanked the Re-development Agency. "Many facets make up a community."

South Amboy Historical Society President Gerard Pizzillo also spoke. He gave an overview of the organization's activities and their mission statement. He urged the residents to come to their open house on Saturday, March 29 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m at the Senior Center. "We want to pass our history to future generations." He mentioned historic events that took place in South Amboy which included the first railroad in New Jersey that took place in 1833 between Camden and South Amboy. He also mentioned the First Airmail Flight which was between South Amboy and Perth Amboy and took place on July 4, 1912.

Mayor Henry gave an update about Superstorm Sandy related repairs. "We've received two million from FEMA to overhaul the walkway on March 24."

The Mayor thanked the Mid-

dlesex Water Company who spent \$5 million in the Rehabilitation of the infrastructure of the water system in the City.

"The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) will provide the community a means to fulfill a wide range of needs. In September 2014 we will begin the Curb and Sidewalk Repair Program." He was pleased to announce that the summer programs for the kids will continue as well as activities for Seniors that will be no cost to them.

Henry thanked City Clerk Kathy Vigilante and Linda Garnett from the Mayor's Office for their service. They will be leaving soon.

A moment of silence was held for City Employees who recently passed away.

Henry presented two bouquets of flowers: one to his mother and one to his wife thanking them for their support.

In conclusion Mayor Henry recited a quote from President John F. Kennedy, "Change is the law of life. And those only look to the past and present are certain to miss the future."

## Hard to Believe No One in Town is Qualified Council Meeting 3/12/14

PERTH AMBOY - Resolution 134-314 Granting a waiver of residency to Jennifer S. Ingenito as Municipal Court Administrator.

The question of the Council continually granting waivers to individuals who work for the City but live out of town came under fire again.

Jennifer Ingenito had been given an extension for the second time to move into the City as a condition for keeping her position as a Municipal Court Administrator. Although she is highly qualified, Council Members present and past were not pleased that she has stalled in relocating to the City.

Council President Joel Pa-

bon said, "This posting (Municipal Court Administrator) has been around for a year and no one came forward who is qualified."

Resident Alan Silber said, "I refuse to believe that we can't find someone qualified in town for the Court Administrator job."

Resident Ricky Aviles said, "If someone promises to move into town for the job, we should hold them to it or remove the residency requirement."

City Attorney Mark Blunda made it clear that the Administration advertised for the Municipal Court Administrator Position. "No one who is a resident of Perth Amboy that

applied was qualified."

Former Councilman Fernando Gonzalez said, "When I was on the Council, I voted for Ms. Ingenito to keep her position on the condition that she would move into town. Now she is requesting a waiver. If you grant her this, it would be a slap in the face to the people."

The Council voted "Yes" to grant her a residency waiver except for Member Kenneth Gonzalez who has been against granting her continuous waivers from the beginning.

Councilman Fernando Irizarry was absent at both the 3/10/14 & 3/12/14 Caucus & Council Meetings.

## Balut Questions Council About Waste of Money

PERTH AMBOY - Former Council President Ken Balut was not happy about the City getting another motorcycle. He felt it was a waste of money, especially when the officers have the names imprinted on them.

"They are more for show than for being useful."

He also questioned if the Mayor was using the police bodyguards or as drivers for personal use. "If that is the case, it should be under the Mayor's budget."

He also questioned who are

the members of Victory Center LLC. (R-142) which authorizes execution of settlement, agreement for Victory Center LLC re: taxes assessments and PARA escrow balances and other litigation.

Balut wanted to know what was the settlement?

B.A. Fehrenbach said, "It had to do with tax appeals in 2012 (no change) and 2013 (\$150,000 maximum reduction). The settlement of PARA was \$40,000. There were outstanding pieces of litigation that the City could not take

action on. Eddie Trujillo who is the sole member of Victory Center LLC made a payment of \$140,000 in back taxes."

Balut also questioned R-146: Introduction of CY 2014 Budget Public Hearings be held on 4/9/14. "This should be in the Mayor's budget, if it's for her security." Balut also took notice of the Police Officer at the Council Meeting. "We need them on the street - not here at City Hall. I don't think people attending meetings are threatening."

## Sea Cadets at St. Patrick's Day Parade 3/8/14

*\*Photo by Joe Bayona*



SOUTH AMBOY - Sea Cadets of Naval Weapon Station Earle at the South Amboy St. Patrick's Day Parade

## Principal Honored - 3/12/14 Council Meeting

*\*Photo by Carolyn Maxwell*



PERTH AMBOY - Congratulating Sr. Rebecca Piatek, Perth Amboy Catholic School for earning the distinction of being the longest serving Catholic School Principal in the Diocese of Metuchen. She has been Principal for 34 years - all in Perth Amboy. (L to R) Mayor Diaz, Sr. Rebecca Piatek, Council President Joel Pabon

## Grand Opening - Fontanez Karate 3/13/14

*\*Photo by Carolyn Maxwell*



PERTH AMBOY - Mayor Diaz cuts the ribbon at the Fontanez Karate School with owner Grand Master Jerry "Fast Feet" Fontanez. Also in the photo are UEZ/BID Coordinator Roxana Troche and Mayor's Irving Lozada

## Grand Re-Opening - Genao Medical Supply

*3/13/14 \*Photo by Paul W. Wang*



PERTH AMBOY - Mayor Diaz, Mayor's Aid Irving Lozada with Genao Medical Supply Owner Mayreli Genao. The Supply store is now located on 471 New Brunswick Ave.





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**Fish &  
Chicken Fry**

SAYREVILLE - The First Presbyterian Church of Sayreville will be having a Fish and Chicken Fry on April 4<sup>th</sup> 2014. Tickets are \$13 in advance and there are limited tickets available at the door for \$15. Chicken is available by advance order only. Take-outs will begin at 5 p.m. and dining room seating will be from 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. For tickets please call 732-257-6353 or e-mail us at churchoffice172@optimum.net.



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SOUTH AMBOY- Xbox Galaxy at 3 p.m. on Mondays at the Dowdell Library of South Amboy, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. For more info call 732-721-6060.

**Poet's**

**Wednesday**

WOODBIDGE - April 9 from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Workshop 7 p.m. Marcia Ivans, Bob Rosenbloom & Linda Johnston Muhlhause at the Barron Arts Center, 582 Rahway Ave., Woodbridge. For more info call 732-634-0413.

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## AULCHS Event - YMCA

A young man with short brown hair, wearing a white short-sleeved shirt, a yellow and black striped tie, and light-colored trousers, stands next to a woman with short blonde hair wearing a dark blue polo shirt. They are both smiling and looking towards the camera. In the background, a large presentation screen displays a slide with the heading "The Role of the Teacher" and a list of bullet points. A red bag is visible on a table to the left.

PERTH AMBOY - The AULCHS held its event for the senior class at the Raritan Bay YMCA. On February 28th, Dr. Shirley Smoyak addressed the Class of 2014, who will be the first class to receive diplomas from our school. She spoke on the topic, " Knowledge, Attitudes and Practices Regarding High Energy Drinks(HED) Alone and With Alcohol". The students answered a survey about the topics, and then Dr. Smoyak proceeded to explain the answers which were supported with stories, facts and statistics from a study conducted at Rutgers University. The students were receptive to the information shared by Dr. Smoyak and seemed to be surprised by some of the facts they learned during the session. (L to R) Kasey Carratala and Dr. Shirley Smoyak.

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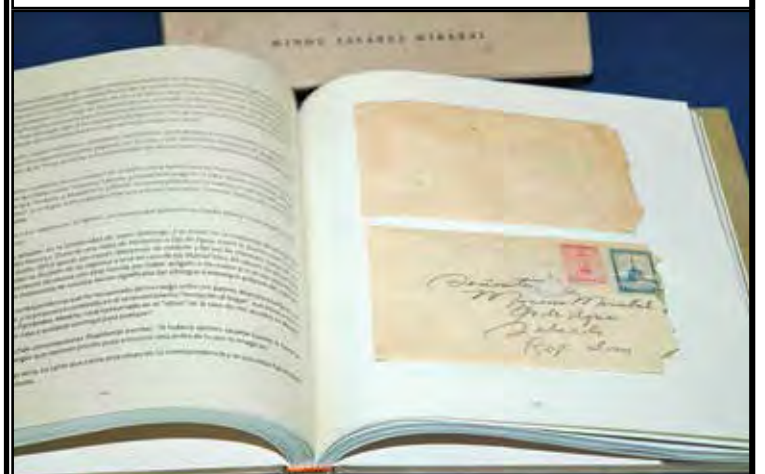
## Minou Tavares Mirabal speaks about her book



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**PERTH AMBOY** - The author Minou Tavares Mirabal, daughter of Minerva Mirabal, courageous freedom and women's rights fighter and one of the 3 sisters depicted the movie, "In the Time of the Butterflies" and assassinated by the Dominican dictator Rafael L. Trujillo, visited the

Saturday Morning Family School on Saturday, March 8 to celebrate International Women's Day.

The author visit took place at the E.J. Patten School Cafeteria from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Dr. Dulce Rodriguez, Principal of the Patten School and Milady Tejada, Board of Education Member were the event coordinators.



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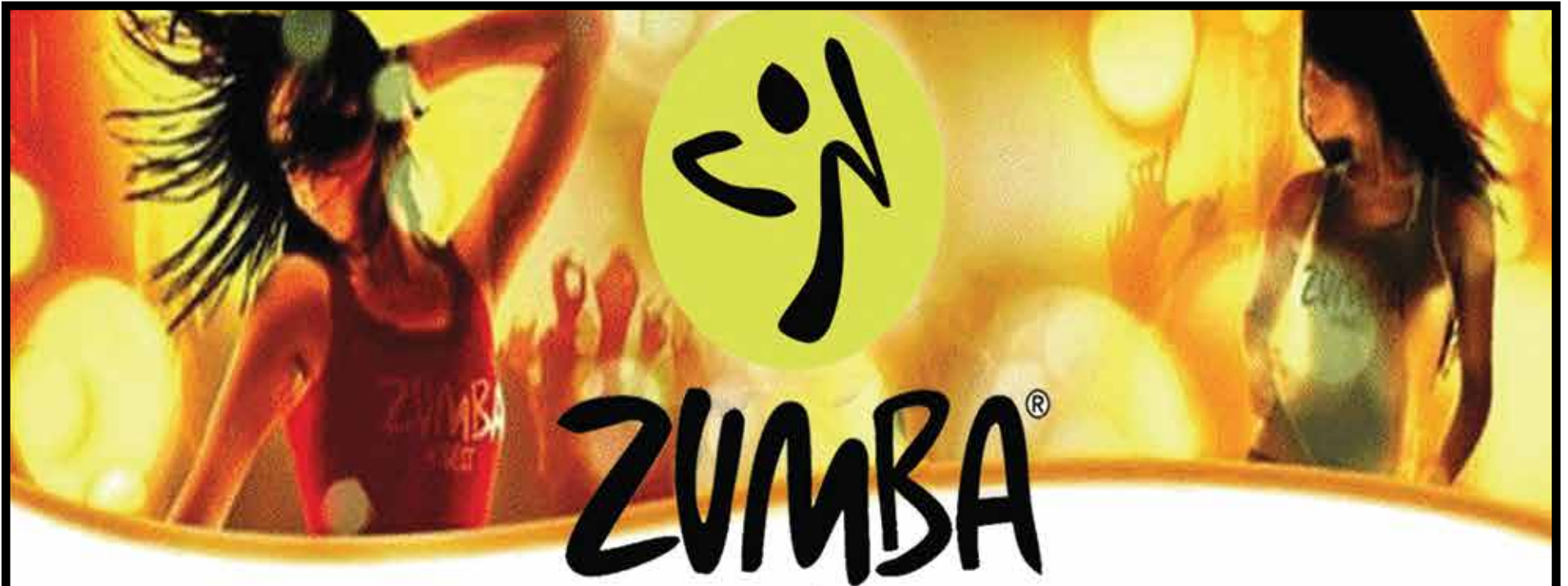


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## Grand Centennial Celebration

SOUTH AMBOY - You are cordially invited to Sadie Pope Dowdell Library Grand Centennial Celebration on Friday, April 11 at the YMCA of South Amboy, 200 John T. O'Leary Blvd. from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. There will be a silent auction, music and catered fare. Tickets available now! Only \$20 pp.

## Spring Auction

EDISON - Our Lady of Peace School's Annual Spring Auction: "40 and Fabulous" will be held Saturday, March 29. Our Lady of Peace Parish Center, 656 Amboy avenue, Edison. Doors open at 4:00 p.m...Calling starts at 6:00 p.m. Admission Tickets \$15 in Advance and \$20 at the Door. Admission includes 1 sheet (25) small prize tickets, unlimited coffee and desserts. Bring your own food & drink. (soda & water available for purchase) NO ONE UNDER 18 WILL BE ADMITTED. Seating is reserved...tables seat 10. Prizes include Disney Hopper Passes, theater tickets, NY Skyride, and a whole lot more!!! For tickets and more information call Meaghan DiCarlo 732-343-4372 or email meaghandicarlo@gmail.com

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## Fish and Chicken Fry

PERTH AMBOY - Good Shepherd - Rosary Altar Society will sponsor their Annual Fish and Chicken Fry dinner at our Good Shepherd Holy Spirit church at the corner of Brace and Hazel Avenues, in Perth Amboy on Wednesday, March 26 from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Take out 4:30 p.m. Sit down and socializing dinner 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. Adults \$15 At the Door \$16. Children under age 10 \$7. To acquire more information and tickets call Parish Center 732-826-4859 or Carol 732-826-2153.

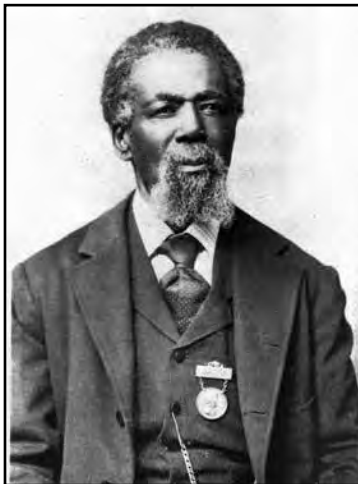
## Polish Night at Knights

### Victorian Hall

PARLIN - Our Lady of Victories Knights of Columbus Council # 2061 will be holding a Polish Night Celebration on Saturday, April 26 from 7 p.m. to 12 a.m. at the Councils Victorian Hall located at 775 Washington Rd across from the Parlin post office. Tickets are \$ 35 pp. and include a buffet dinner, open bar and music by "The Polka Family Band" from Pennsylvania. If interested, please contact Joe Halmi @ 732-721-4563 or Jim Poltritzky @ 732-254-8896 to reserve your spot or a table today.

## KOC Membership Drive

FORDS - The Knights of Columbus Council 9199 is currently holding an open membership drive. The Knights of Columbus Council at Our Lady of Peace in Fords was chartered in 1986 and ever since has been a supporter of our parish, church, school, ministries and other groups within. With over 200 members already listed, they are a very active council and run a variety of fund raisers to help support these endeavors. They are always looking for new members to join and share their ideas to make our parish stronger. Contact our Membership Chairman Tom Robinson PGK at 908-510-9653 or Grand Knight Mike Chundak PGK at 732-221-0976



Thomas Mundy Peterson

## Thomas Mundy Peterson Day

PERTH AMBOY - A tribute to the Legacy of Thomas Mundy Peterson, the First Black Voter in the United States. Please join Senator Joseph Vitale and Mayor Wilda Diaz on Sunday, March 30 at 3 p.m. Dinner will be served after program. St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 183 Rector St., Perth Amboy. For more info contact Senator Vitale's Office at 732-855-7441 or St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Rev. Anne Marie Jeffrey at 732-826-1594. Not paid for with tax dollars.

## Home Repair & Advocacy Program

PERTH AMBOY - Attention: Seniors and People with Disabilities. If your home still has damage from Superstorm Sandy, help is available. The Home Repair and Advocacy Program can help you: Replace interior wall boards, remediate mold, restore heating and cooling systems, fix electrical, patch roofs, cut or remove trees, dispose of debris, refurbish major home appliances. Eligible households can receive up to \$5,000 in assistance. Home Repair Coordinators will be assigned to individuals who apply. Call 1-877-222-3737 to apply or visit your local Area Agency on Aging or Call 732-390-7074. This program is sponsored by the NJ Department of Human Services with \$8.2 million in federal Social Services Block Grant funds.

## Atlantic City Bus Trip Postponed

PERTH AMBOY - The Knights of Columbus Bus Trip to Bally's Casino in Atlantic City on Saturday, March 22 HAS BEEN POSTPONED. For more information please call Ed at (732) 535-2562.



## A Legacy of Resilience 2

PERTH AMBOY - This has been postponed to Sunday, April 13 at 2 p.m. Perth Amboy YMCA Theater, 357 New Brunswick Ave., Program by Kearny Cottage Historical Association. A Legacy of Resilience 2: Celebrating Ethnic Diversity and Heritage. Dinner will be served after program.

## Waiting List Update Deadline

PERTH AMBOY - The Perth Amboy Housing Authority is updating its public housing and section 8 waiting lists. A 2<sup>nd</sup> notice has been mailed to active applicants and all updates must be received by postal mail by Friday, March 28, 2014. There will be no further extensions. If you have an active application and have not received your update request call Judy Matias-Ortiz at (732) 826-3110 ext. 632. Please be advised that applications that were inactivated in a prior year's update cycle will not be re-activated. Kristi Penta Duffy, Asset Manager, Housing Authority of the City of Perth Amboy.

PERTH AMBOY - La Autoridad de Viviendas de Perth Amboy esta actualizando la lista de espera de la Sección 8 y de las Viviendas Publicas. Se ha enviado un 2do aviso a los que tienen aplicaciones activas, recordándoles que las aplicaciones actualizadas deben de ser enviadas y marcadas por el servicio postal antes del viernes, 28 de marzo del 2014. No habrá otra extensión. Si usted tiene una aplicación activa y no ha recibido su actualización por favor contacte a Judy Matias-Ortiz al 732-826-3110 ext. 632. Por favor sepan que las aplicaciones de años anteriores que ya no están activas, no serán reactivadas durante el ciclo de actualización de este año 2014.

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## Friday Lenten Dinners

SOUTH AMBOY - There will be Friday Lenten Dinners every Friday starting March 7th and Running Through April 19th at South Amboy Elks #784 at 601 Washington Ave., South Amboy from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Takeout orders are available For more info call the Lodge at 732-727-7170.

## Spring Tea

SAYREVILLE - Golden Rule Christian Center of Trinity United Methodist Church, 815 Bordentown Ave. will be holding its sixth annual Spring Tea on Sunday, May 18 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. All monies raised will help defray costs for the new playground for the pre-school.

The program will feature a fashion show of Victoria era fashions. The tea will include tea sandwiches, homemade desserts, sweets and of course, tea. Reservations are a must. Tickets are \$15. Please call Nancy at 732-727-1935 for reservations.

## Summer Camp Fair

News Release  
BRANCHBURG - Community Child Care Solutions is sponsoring a Summer Camp Fair at the Conference Center at Raritan Valley Community College, 118 Lamington Road, Branchburg, New Jersey, on April 12, 2014, from 10 AM to 2 PM. Families are invited to learn about summer programs near you, including Day Camps, Specialty Camps, and Overnight Camps. Find out if you may qualify for tuition assistance for summer camp.

Participating Camps will be offering incentives for families participating on April 12th. Our goal is to connect families in Somerset and Middlesex Counties to summer programs that meet their needs and provide a safe environment and enrichment activities.

Community Child Care Solutions is contracted by the State of New Jersey to be the Child Care Resource and Referral Agency in Middlesex and Somerset Counties. Many communities know us as the agency that assists families who qualify for financial assistance to help pay for child care. However, one of our important tasks is to help all families, regardless of income to understand and find quality child care programs. We will work with any families that may qualify for financial assistance in paying for summer camp.

For more information, please contact Community Child Care Solutions at 732-324-4357.



Scenes from the Woodbridge St. Patrick's Day Parade - 3/9/14

\*Photos by Joe Bayona





Novena to St. Rita

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

St. Jude Novena

Most holy Apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honors and invokes you universally, as the patron of difficult cases, of things almost despaired of, Pray for me, I am so helpless and alone. Intercede with God for me that He bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolation and help of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations, and sufferings, particularly - *(make your request here)* - and that I may praise God with you and all the saints forever. I promise, Oh Blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor granted me by God and to always honor you as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to you. Amen  
**M.P.**

Tricky Tray

PERTH AMBOY - The Women of the Moose Chapter 1247 are having a Tricky Tray on Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. at the Moose Lodge, 989 Convery Blvd., (Rte 35). Doors open 12 Noon. Drawing Begins 2 p.m. \$5 in advance/\$7 at the door. Includes admission, coffee & dessert. For tickets and more info call 732-442-2827 or 732-442-3550.

Vendor Fair

SAYREVILLE - Golden Rule Christian Center, of Trinity United Methodist Church, 825 Bordentown Ave. will be holding a Vendor Fair on Saturday, March 29 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Beat the winter blues, come shop with us for Easter, Mother's Day, birthdays, graduation, many gifts to choose from. The Fair will also feature a bake sale, all to benefit the playground for the pre-school. Coffee and rolls will be served in the morning and a hot dog lunch will be available. For further information, please contact Marie at 732-721-3050. Spaces are still available.

Vegetarian Lifestyle & Going Green

SOUTH AMBOY - Vegetarian Lifestyle & Going Green - Tuesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at the Dowdell Library of South Amboy, Adjacent to the South Amboy High School off John T. O'Leary Blvd. A diet that is high in plant based proteins and organic, non-GMO foods has many benefits for healthy living. Join Susan Rose retired executive, who will cover the basics to help you transition to a compassionate chemical free diet including nutrition and meal planning. She will also present a simple meditation technique that can be practiced at home by young and old. Susan has been a vegetarian and has been meditating for over 40 years. She has conducted numerous talks and workshops on the vegetarian diet and the vegetarian lifestyle around the world. For more info call 732-721-6060 or email: comments@dowdell.org

Senior Scene

Happenings

Perth Amboy

- WED. Mar. 19 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.
  - Holy Trinity Seniors, 1 p.m., Church Hall, Lawrie & Johnstone St.
- THURS. Mar. 20 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
- MON. Mar. 24 St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.
- TUES. Mar. 25 Holy Spirit Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Church Hall, Brace Ave.
- Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.
- WED. Mar. 26 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. Mar. 27 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.

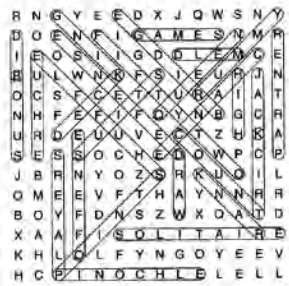
South Amboy

- MON. Apr. 7 St. Mary's Seniors, noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.
- WED. Apr. 9 South Amboy Seniors, noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave

Attn: If Your Club changes Your Schedule due to the Holidays Please give us two weeks notice! 732-896-4446 or 732-261-2610

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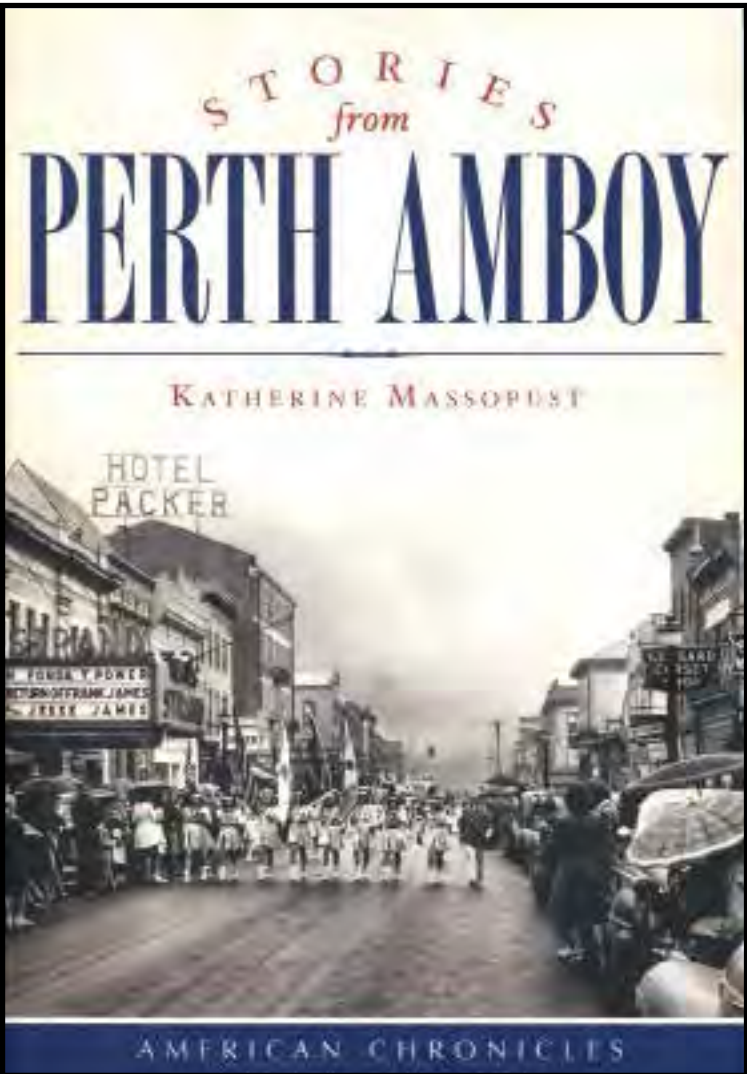


LOOKING BACK



PERTH AMBOY – One of the many skating clubs at America On Wheels Skating Rink - the Clover Rollers.

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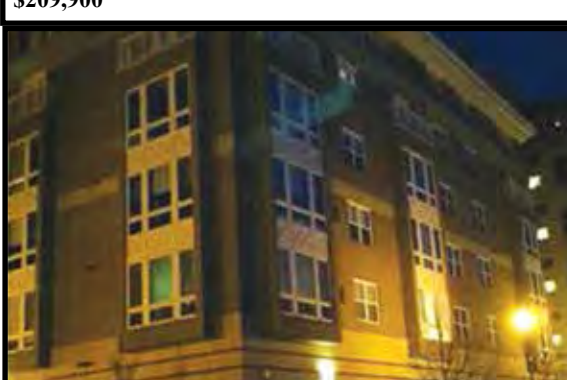
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