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Perth Amboy Police Dept. Please Remember if You See Something Say Something! (732)442-4400

PERTH AMBOY - Community crime prevention reminder the Perth Amboy police department needs your help!! Be aware of criminal activity in your neighborhood. Please, if you see something say something!! Sadly burglaries do take place in our neighborhoods while we're out working. If you see or hear anything suspicious such as; people going door to door ringing doorbells, suspicious vehicles and something that just does not seem right. Please call us

at 732-442-4400. Also, have your home appear as if someone is home at all times. We need your help!! Call immediately with any suspicious activity observed. Also please be aware that thefts from vehicles also take place within our community. Please as a reminder lock car doors, close all windows, hide or remove GPS devices and or all electronic devices. Please keep all valuables out of sight and also park in a well lit area. Thank you and have a safe summer.

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Pallone Announces Federal Port Security Grants for Monmouth County, Carteret and Perth Amboy

News Release 7/29/15 WASHINGTON, DC - Today, Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr. (NJ-06) announced Port Security Grant Program funding in New Jersey's 6th Congressional District. The funding comes from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency. Carteret Fire Department will receive \$40,000, the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office will receive \$98,336 and the Perth Amboy Fire Department will receive \$144,544.

"I am pleased to announce these port security grants that will be put to use in Monmouth County, Carteret and Perth Amboy," said Congressman Pallone. "The reality is that New Jersey's ports face a legitimate threat of attack and these funds will help the ongoing and necessary security



Congressman Frank Pallone

enhancement process."

The Port Security Grant Program supports transportation infrastructure security activities to implement security plans among port authorities, facility operators, and state and local government agencies required to provide port security services.

Globe Awards New Firefighter Turnout Gear to South Amboy Fire Department as Part of 2015 Giveaway Program

News Release 7/29/15 SOUTH AMBOY - Globe Manufacturing Company (Globe), DuPont Protection Technologies (DuPont), and the National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC) have announced the first round of winners in the 2015 Globe Gear Giveaway. This is the fourth year that Globe has partnered with DuPont and the NVFC to provide volunteer departments with critically needed sets of turnout gear. The South Amboy (NJ) Fire Department will receive four sets of new, state-of-the-art Globe turnout gear.

"We are excited to kick off this year's Globe Gear Giveaway awards by providing gear to three deserving departments," said NVFC Chairman Kevin D. Quinn. "We received over 550 applications for gear, demonstrating the need that fire departments are facing across North America. Through this program, we lessen the burden on departments who are struggling to provide gear to their members and often have to make do with gear that is old, noncompliant, ill-fitting, and otherwise inadequate, putting the safety of the firefighters at risk. We are extremely grateful to Globe and DuPont for their generous support of the volunteer fire service."

To be eligible to apply for the four sets of new Globe turnout gear, departments had to be all-volunteer or mostly-volunteer, serve a population of 25,000 or less, be legally organized in the U.S. or Canada, demonstrate a need for the gear, and be a member of the NVFC. To help departments meet this last requirement, Globe sponsored NVFC Department Memberships for the first 200 non-members to apply.

The South Amboy (NJ) Fire Department is comprised of

150 volunteer firefighters who respond to an average of 320 calls per year. Their small budget is earmarked for maintenance of their 10 apparatus and vehicles as well as pump, ladder, and hose testing. Their last gear purchase was in 2007 but only provided 25 new sets of gear; over 80 sets of their current gear are more than 10 years old. A major residential development of 1,800 units is currently being developed in their service area, which will essentially double the town's population and further stretch the budget and resources of the department. Despite these limitations, the department responds on mutual aid assignments to neighboring towns which account for 30 percent of their responses. The donation of four sets of gear will help them make sure their dedicated responders have proper protection.

Additional awards through the Globe Gear Giveaway Program will be made monthly throughout 2015. A total of 52 sets of gear will be distributed to departments in need.

About Globe: Firefighters need to be prepared to perform at their peak, on every call. That's why Globe delivers the most advanced, best-fitting, and longest lasting protection by listening to our customers, creating breakthrough designs, and applying the engineering skills of the nation's most

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About DuPont Protection Technologies: DuPont Protection Technologies (NYSE: DD) has been bringing worldclass science and engineering to the global marketplace in the form of innovative products, materials, and services since 1802. The company believes that by collaborating with customers, governments, NGOs, and thought leaders we can help find solutions to such global challenges as providing enough healthy food for people everywhere, decreasing dependence on fossil fuels, and protecting life and the environment. For additional information about DuPont and its commitment to inclusive innovation, please visit www. dupont.com.

About the NVFC: The National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC) is the leading non-profit membership association representing the interests of the volunteer fire, EMS, and rescue services. The NVFC serves as the voice of the volunteer in the national arena and provides invaluable tools, resources, programs, and advocacy for first responders across the nation. Learn more at www.nvfc.org.

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Assemblyman Coughlin, the Raritan Bay Medical Center Foundation and Middlesex Water Company Thank Record Crowd for Support of 6th Annual "Bowl for Hunger"







News Release

19TH DISTRICT - The Office of Assemblyman Craig J. Coughlin released the following statement on Wednesday: Assemblyman Craig J. Coughlin in partnership with the Raritan Bay Medical Center Foundation and Middlesex Water Company held the 6th Annual "Bowl for Hunger" last night, Thursday, July 23, 2015, at Majestic Lanes of Hopelawn. Since the event's inception in 2010, more than \$119, 000 has been raised to feed the hungry. This year's event once again featured a double session, 5:30 to 7:30 PM and 8:00 to 10:00 PM, and, due to an increased demand for additional teams, was held at a larger bowling venue, which helped raise more money for area food banks., Nearly 600 bowlers took part in this year's Bowl for Hunger compared to 350 bowlers in 2014.

Assemblyman Coughlin, Michael D'Agnes, President and CEO of Raritan Bay Medical Center, and Dennis Doll, President and CEO of the Middlesex Water Company thanked event participants and sponsors for supporting the fun event and the area's twenty-eight (28) food banks who help nourish the underserved. While all pledges and donations are still forthcoming, the 2015 Bowl raised approximately \$25,000.00. Interested community members or businesses still wishing to make a donation to the "Bowl for Hunger" should contact the Raritan Bay Medical Center Foundation at 732-324-5374. The grand total will be released in the coming weeks.

The event drew pledges and support from all five Mayors of the 19th Legislative District including—Mayor Daniel J. Reiman of Carteret, Mayor Wilda Diaz of Perth Amboy, Mayor Kennedy O'Brien of Sayreville, Mayor Fred Henry of South Amboy, and Mayor John E. McCormac of Woodbridge.

In total, 78 corporate, community and individual sponsors donated at least \$100.00 to support the cause. Of the 78 sponsors, 22 organizations donated at the \$500 level—Aetna; Amerigroup; Bank of Woodbridge; Bayshore Recycling Corporation; Bubble Tea; NJ/NY Carpenter Contractor Trust; Carteret Business Partnership; CME Associates; GEICO; Gerdau; Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield; JJ Elek Realty Co.; McManimon Scotland & Baumann, LLC; Middlesex County Democratic Organization; Motiva Enterprises, LLC; NJ Bankers Association; NJ Bankers Association; NJ Credit Union League; NJ Hospital Association; NJM Insurance Group; Professional Insurance Agents of New Jersey; and Reliance Insurance Group.

Assemblyman Coughlin, Presidents D'Agnes and Doll thanked the combined 78 corporate and individual sponsors, including 48 sponsors who donated \$100 or more: Almasi Companies; American Irish Association of Woodbridge; Eric & Phyllis Aronowitz; Cape May Brewing Company; Dr. Michael Ciencewcicki; Columbia Bank; James P. Durek, Esq.; Elizabethtown Gas; Erickson Family; First Presbyterian Church of South Amboy; Flying Fish Brewing Company: Daniel Harris: Hatch Mott MacDonald: Middlesex County Surrogate Kevin Hoagland; Insurance Council of New Jersey; Investors Bank; JFK Medical Center; JGT Management Co. LLC; Katz Government Affairs; Kaufman Zita Group; D.B. Kelly Div.#1 of the Ancient Order of Hibernians; Knot Just Bagels; Local 68 Operating Engineers; Larry and Peggy Mayerowitz; Kenneth L. Michelson Foundation, Inc.; Metuchen Democratic Organization; Middlesex & Somerset County AFL-CIU Labor Council; Middlesex County Building & Construction Trades Council; Middlesex County Young Democrats; MMC Contractors; Beatrice Moskowitz; New Jersey Food Council; James Nolan & Associates, LLC.; Our Lady of Fatima Church; Congressman Frank Pallone; Princeton Public Affairs Group; Pringle Quinn Anzano; Raritan Bay Area YMCA Riker Danzig Scherer Hyland & Perretto LPP; Donald Sico & Co. LLC; Sills Cummis & Gross, PC; Spevack Law Offices; Senator Joseph F. Vitale; VNA Health Group; Wakefern Food Corporation; Assemblyman John S. Wisniewski; The Woodbridge Center Mall and The Club at Woodbridge; and Woodbridge Metro Chamber of Commerce. *Photos by Henry Febles.



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Newark Man Arrested and Charged in Stabbing Death

PERTH AMBOY - A Newark Resident has been arrested and charged for the fatal stabbing of a Perth Amboy man which occurred on Smith Street on a second floor apartment. Dewayne Williams was charged with the stabbing death of Jean Carlos Morel. This happened on December 7, 2014. The suspect and the victim knew each other. The investigation is continuing into the circumstances of the stabbing. A press release was issued by Middlesex Co. Prosecutor Andrew Carey and Perth Amboy Deputy Police Chief Larry Cattano.

National Night Out

PERTH AMBOY - Tuesday, August 4 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Waters Stadium, PAHS, Francis St. & Eagle Ave. FREE give-a-ways, games, face painting, hot dogs, popcorn, music and much more... Come prevent Identity Theft. Bring all your documents to be shredded. A shredding truck will be there sponsored by the JRF provided by American Shredding, Lakewood, NJ

Job Announcement for Firefighters

PERTH AMBOY - Are you a citizen of the United States of America? Are you between the ages of 18 and 35? Are you a resident of Perth Amboy? Do you have a High School Diploma or GED?

If you answered YES to all these questions a career with the Perth Amboy Fire Department can be rewarding while proudly serving the citizens of Perth Amboy with honor, tradition and excellence. Our department has a strong culture based on service, respect, leadership, unity, character, and moral courage.

The Perth Amboy Fire Department will be conducting an open house/career information day on July 21, 2015 at 7 p.m. and on August 8, 2015 at 9 a.m. to provide information on the application, testing and hiring process and about being a fire fighter.

Applications available online from JULY 1, 2015 to AU-GUST 31, 2015. Visit the Civil Service Commission website at www.state.nj.us/csc Select "Fire Fighter Announcement" to view the announcement. Scroll to the Bottom and "Click here to apply via the Online Application System" to access the application. Only online applications will be accepted. Application Deadline AUGUST 31, 2015.

LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

EDITORIAL

Social Media: The Good and the Bad

In the past week we have seen the positive and negative effects of social media.

If you are not a fan of baseball, you may have not heard this story (If you are, bear with me): Last week Mets Shortstop Wilmer Flores was playing on the field when there were reports of rumors that he had been traded to the Milwaukee Brewers (along with Left Handed Pitcher Zack Wheeler) for outfielder Carlos Gomez. A fan seated near the dugout yelled out to Flores, "Good luck in Milwaukee!" during the game. (Note: players are forbidden to have cell phones and other similar electronic devices in the dugout during the game). Flores was devastated and even at one point cried in the infield. The Met's Announcers stated that Flores had been traded but were confused as to why he was still in the game. The problem was: THIS WAS A RUMOR! THERE WAS NO CONCRETE PROOF THAT THIS WAS TRUE. There was no phone call from the General Manager to the dugout to pull Flores out of the game (the procedure if you are traded during a game). Met's Manager Terry Collins stated that he received no phone call, therefore Flores was not traded. After the game was over, Mets General Manager Sandy Alderson made an official announcement that Flores WAS NOT TRADED.

The positive side was that two games later Flores hit a walk-off homerun defeating the Washington Nationals and putting the Mets closer to first place.

The issue here is that social media is both a curse and a blessing. The world has access to instantaneous information. But this information can be true, false or somewhere inbetween.

For example, reviews of doctors, teachers or any professionals can be made anonymously. These statements can influence a potential client who

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is not familiar with the professional in question whether or not to use his or her services. The trouble is ANYONE CAN SAY ANYTHING ABOUT ANYONE AND GET AWAY WITH IT!

How can you be certain that the reviews are based on reliable information? You really don't know. If a client genuinely has a gripe or a pleasant experience with the professional, these reviews can either hinder or help the professional.

Another use of Soical Media is crime prevention. Since information is transmitted instantaneously, crime can be caught on cameras, cell phones, etc. and instantly sent to the police. An example of this was the capture of the Boston Marathon Bombers.

Recently there is an outrage on social media about Cecil the Lion who was killed by American Dentist/Hunter Wilmer Palmer in Zimbabwe. The protected lion was lured off the wildlife preserve by his guides and Palmer proceeded to hunt and killed Cecil. Over 500,000 people protested the killing on Facebook. Without the internet, this type of exposure would be limited.

The positive side of this tragedy is that thousands of dollars were raised for wildlife preservation.

Both good and bad comes from social media. Maybe other issues such as the plight of women in the Mid-east such as slave trafficking of young girls will be brought to greater light. These and other issues that many people are not familiar with can be brought out in the open.

In an interview with Arthur C. Clarke in 1976, Clarke, the Futurist sees devices such as cell phones, tablets and laptops enriching people's lives It's amazing to see how much he predicted came to be.

These devices that we now take for granted are here to stay. Who knows what the next ten years will bring? *K.M.*

Website Manager

Electing Federal

JudgesShould Federal judges be

elected? There is now a selection process that elects Federal judges, so the question is: should voters be included? Yes.

Letting the voters in each of the thirteen Federal Districts elect the judges will allow a better examination of candidates and prevent an empty seat because of partisan squabbles. This was one of the reasons for the direct election of US Senators by the Seventeenth Amendment.

THE COMMUNITY VOICE

There should be an age limit of 70 for all Federal judges, and a term of sixteen years for Supreme Court Justices. Only monarchs and dictators serve for life. Election by the voters will avoid any problem with "court packing".

The claim that this will create "political influence" is false. Partisan politics let to the Dred Scott decision, and its reversal. So too the 1919 decision that Major League baseball was not subject to the Sherman Anti-Trust Act. Economic interests drive politics. Businesses favor policies that reward them financially.

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Trump is Right!

Right!Donald Trump is right! Illegal aliens are treated better than our servicemen. When I read that Camden, Fort Lee, Hightstown, Jersey City, Newark, North Bergen, Trenten, Union City and West New York are Sanctuary Cities, I was shocked! It was hard to

believe that any town, City or State would allow themselves to be on a list like this.

Where are the elected officials? What kind of Mayor or any Politician in office allows this?

What has happened to my country? The U.S.A. I knew and learned about as a youngster in school? I'm 86 years old and I'm a way us – both locally and all the way up to

Washington. We have corruption and greed and Cowards representing us.

Donald Trump will do what he said he can – He doesn't need anyone's payoff for favors. So stop voting for the same old phonies. Check him

Close those borders. We do not need any more problems. Mary Vargo

Those Were the Days

When I was growing up in Perth Amboy during the 30's practically no family had a car. Most of us walked to where ever we were going in town. The schools! The churches! The factories! The theaters! The taverns! (100 of them)! The waterfront! You name it. If we felt rich or just plain lazy or tired there were the busses. Only 5 cents in town. Out of town to Carteret or Woodbridge 15 cents.

The only people with cars

were the business and professional people, the clergy, the numbers runners and the mechanically inclined with jalopies. In wintertime Arnold Avenue was our version of Aspen, Colorado. The Arnold Avenue started at Alta Vista Place, the highest point in town and ended past Penn Street. The Johnstone Street had barriers to let the occasional car through during a lull. There was usually a bonfire to warm the sledders!

AH YES! Dear friends! Those were the days when the relatively few cars were a blessing! Not so today! You might say cars are a curse today! There are usually no places to park in the business section. Even the residential sections are overcrowded. Parking spaces are at a premium. Especially galling when a parking meter is in front of a residence. And you have to keep dropping coins into the meter.

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Cooling Centers in Perth Amboy

PERTH AMBOY - The Office of Emergency Management has designated cooling centers for the public in two Perth Amboy facilities due to high temperatures.

- 1. Alexander F. Jankowski Community Center located on 1 Olive Street; Open M-F from 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.
- 2. Raritan Bay Area YMCA gymnasium located on 357 New Brunswick Avenue; Open M-F from 5:30 a.m. 9:45 p.m.

If anyone sees a person who needs help, they are urged to call the Perth Amboy Police Department at 732-442-4400. If needed, transportation will be provided by local emergency responders.

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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.

Vet's Coffee House

PERTH AMBOY - Attention area vets of our Armed Forces. The Salvation Army Vet's Coffee House meets once a month, every 2nd Thursday for coffee, donuts and conversation. Time is 19:00 - 21:00 located at the corner of Washington Street and State Street, Perth Amboy. We can be reached at the Salvation Army 732-826-7040. We look forward to meeting you.

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Community Calendar

Perth Amboy

MON. Aug. 10 City Council, Caucus, 6 p.m. City Hall, High St.

TUES. Aug. 11 Library Board of Trustees, 5 p.m. City Hall, High St.

• UEZ, 6 p.m.

City Hall, High St.

• BID, 7 p.m.

WED. Aug. 12 City Council, Regular, 4:30 p.m.

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THURS. Aug. 20 Board of Education, 6 p.m. PAHS, Eagle Ave.

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WED. Aug. 19

City Council, Business, 6 p.m.

City Hall, N. Broadway City Council, Regular, 7 p.m.

City Hall, N. Broadway

MON. Aug. 24 Board of Education,

Business/Public, 6 p.m. SA Middle/High School, Harold Hoffman Pl.

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There will be trained staff to assist you in completing the application and processing it as soon as possible.

By doing so, this will stream line the process and most students will have determination as early as the first day of school.

PLEASE BE ADVISED WE NO LONGER SEND THE APPLICATION HOME WITH THE STUDENT, THIS IS THE ONLY WAY TO OBTAIN AND PROCESS THE APPLICATION!

THE SAMUEL E. SHULL SCHOOL. 380 HALL AVE., PERTH AMBOY, NJ

AUGUST 3rd THROUGH AUGUST 28th, 2015 9:00 AM TO 2:00 PM (EVERYDAY)

MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY **FRIDAY**



ATTENTION!

IF YOUR CHILD RECEIVES A LETTER SAYING: "Notification for Free Meals/ Free Milk through Direct Certification"



BRING THE DIRECT CERTIFICATION LETTER TO SHULL SCHOOL

\$100 Worth of Food for \$39
PERTH AMBOY - \$100 of groceries for \$39...Does that interest you? The Jolin Food Box program is designed to provide families with nationally branded food products at wholesale prices. On behalf of the Cathedral's Community Development Corporation, the Jewish Renaissance Foundation's AmeriCorps is helping promote the Jolin Food Box. Check out https:// jolinfoodbox.com/Home Page.html or contact us at 732-324-2114 x113



Pallone Holds Roundtable on Dodd-Frank and Protecting New Jersey from Abusive Mortgage Industry Practices

In Recognition of Dodd-Frank's 5th Anniversary, Pallone and Consumer Protection Advocates Discuss the Past, Present and Future of New Jersey Consumer Protection

News Release 7/27/15

NEW BRUNSWICK - In recognition of the 5th anniversary of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr. (NJ-06) held a roundtable discussion today in Highland Park with NJ Citizen Action, consumer protection advocates and New Jerseyans who have benefitted from the law. The roundtable highlighted the Dodd-Frank law and the work of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB). The participants discussed Dodd-Frank's work to stabilize the financial system and the mortgage market, CFPB's work to advocate on behalf of the people of New Jersey by protecting homebuyers and preventing the most abusive practices in payday lending, and what is in store for the future.

"In 5 years, Dodd-Frank has brought greater transparency and oversight to the financial services industry, given regulators the necessary tools to prevent another financial crisis, leveled the playing field for consumers, and stabilized our financial system and mortgage markets," said Congressman Pallone. "Though we undoubtedly have a stronger and more stable economy now, we are still recovering from the damage that was done. As New Jersey continues to make up for lost ground, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau has cracked down on bad actors and continues to stand on the side of New Jersey consumers."

Dodd-Frank, which created the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB), was enacted in the wake of the collapse of the nation's housing sector and the ensuing Great Recession. The CFPB is a consumer watchdog and enforcement agency, which protects consumers from the type of abusive financial industry practices that contributed to the mortgage crisis. To date, the CFPB has returned \$10.1 billion to over 17 million consumers through its enforcement actions.

"Now that the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau has Director Cordray in place with tenure and the authority to implement the Bureau's full mandate, we are beginning to see the regulations and enforcement actions needed to protect consumers from the predatory and abusive practices on Wall St. and in the financial sector that led to the enactment of Dodd Frank in the first place," said Beverly Brown Ruggia of New Jersey Citizen Action.

In addition to Pallone, the participants were Beverly Brown Ruggia, CRA Organizer, New Jersey Citizen Action; Bruce Davis, Chair, Economic Development Committee, NAACP NJ Conference; Margaret Jurow, Attorney, Jurow & Schore, LLC; Rev. Errol Cooper, Associate Pastor, First Baptist Church of Lincoln Gardens; Rev. Sara Lilja, Director, Lutheran Office of Governmental Ministry, New Jersey Synod; and Kimberly El-Sedek, Real Estate Development Manager, La Casa De Don Pedro.

Madden-Vitale Introduce Legislation to Help Prevent the Abuse of Elderly and Disabled Individuals

News Release 7/28/15

TRENTON – In an effort to reduce incidents of abuse among vulnerable residents, Senator Fred H. Madden Jr. and Senator Joseph F. Vitale recently introduced legislation that would establish a task force aimed at protecting senior citizens and individuals with disabilities.

"Elderly residents and people with disabilities must be protected from those who may take advantage of them or their situation," said Senator Madden (D-Camden/Gloucester). "Abuse can come in many forms – whether it be physically, mentally or financially. These residents deserve the proper environment and care necessary to lead healthy lives. Preventing future incidents of abuse will help to ensure that they continue to do so."

The bill, S-3128, would create the New Jersey Task Force on Abuse Against the Elderly and Disabled. According to the legislation, the task force would evaluate current policies designed to protect older adults and individuals with disabilities. It would also identify existing circumstances of abuse, and develop recommendations for legislation, policies, and strategies that

would help to protect senior citizens and disabled individuals from abuse, neglect, and financial exploitation.

"For many individuals who cannot fend for themselves, abuse can take a toll on their physical and mental health," said Senator Vitale (D-Middlesex). "This is why it is crucial that we create a measure that will address this issue. By establishing a task force that will help to examine policies and solutions to protect our most vulnerable residents, we will reduce the likelihood of abuse and neglect in our communities."

The task force would further consist of 11 members representing the elderly and disabled community including agency officials, advocacy groups, and public members of the Legislature. Three of the public members would be appointed by the Governor while the Senate President and the Speaker of the Assembly would each appoint one public member. After 12 months, the task force would be required to submit a report of its findings with recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature.

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, "Elder abuse is

a term referring to any knowing, intentional, or negligent act by a caregiver or any other person that causes harm or a serious risk of harm to a vulnerable adult." Similarly, abuse of the disabled also occurs commonly by caretakers, family members and other service providers. In addition, financial exploitation of the elderly often includes consumer fraud such as prize scams and donations, according to the National Institute of Justice (NIJ).

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services also reported that it is estimated that only 1 in 14 cases of elder abuse ever comes to the attention of authorities. Currently, there are 40.3 million elderly residents in the United States over the age of 65 and approximately 14 million adults aged 65 and over and 19 million adults aged 18 to 64 who have a disability. According to the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development, senior citizens age 65 and older made up about 13.5 percent of New Jersey's total population.

Health Fair

PERTH AMBOY - Thursday, August 13 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the JRMC, 275 Hobart St., Perth Amboy. Medical & Dental Screenings, Farmer's Market, Giveaways, Nutrition Demonstrations, Fun Games, Live Entertainment, Refreshments, & Much More. FREE to the public. For more info call 732-376-6638.

Budapest Street Cleanup

PERTH AMBOY - Saturday, Aug. 8 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (Registration at 9:30 a.m.) at the PAAC Community Garden (The corner of Alpine Street and Dillman Lane). Come and Beautify your Neighborhood one street at a time!

Yoga Classes SOUTH AMBOY - Yoga class-

south Amboy - Yoga classes at the Knights of Columbus in South Amboy, 308 fourth street, are ongoing. Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m. A mat is required. Part of the proceeds benefit the Colombian Club council No. 426. Drop in rate is \$10. Packages available at a reduced rate. Pre-registration required. Please call Denise 732-525-9536 or email healthandfitnesswithdenise@gmail.com

Healing Mass

SOUTH AMBOY - Christ Episcopal Church, Main Street at Broadway, South Amboy. A Healing Mass is scheduled for 5 p.m. Saturday, August 8th at Christ Church. The service, which follows an order for Public Hearing is open to any within the communities who desire prayers and or anointing for themselves or others. An opportunity to offer intentions is included within the Prayers of the People.

Mayor Diaz Announces No Municipal Tax Increase

News Release 7/28/15

PERTH AMBOY - Mayor Wilda Diaz announces that there is no tax increase for Perth Amboy taxpayers and shares the City's developments and information regarding the latest tax bill.

"The City of Perth Amboy has worked towards building partnerships with commercial business owners to develop vacant properties. This year, due to significant corporate investments and developments of these properties in our tax base, I am pleased to announce that there is NO MUNICIPAL TAX INCREASE," said Mayor Wilda Diaz.

Tax bill are expected by the beginning of the month of August. For convenience, residents can now access your tax account information through the City's website to make any future online tax payments, visit www.ci.perthamboy.nj.us.

2015 BUDGETARY HIGH-LIGHTS

•CREDIT RATING IN-CREASE: Moody's credit rating agency rewarded the City's improved financial practices with a higher credit rating for the third time in this administration.

•DEBT REDUCTION: The City's debt was recently refinanced and the benefit was a near \$2 million dollar reduction in our overall debt interest expenses.

•CORPORATE INVEST-MENTS & FUTURE TAX RATABLES: Buckeye Partners has invested millions of dollars in property improvements that have added to this year's assessed value. The Viridian Partners construction project on High Street will begin this fall season and is also expected to result in a multimillion dollar warehousing facility to reflect ratables in 2016.

2015 PUBLIC IMPROVE-MENT HIGHLIGHTS

•WATERFRONT RENOVA-TIONS: The waterfront walkways, bulkheads and other storm damage repairs are nearly complete. Additionally, a \$2M grant awarded to the City that will add fencing, lighting, seasonal beach showers, drinking fountains, volleyball courts, bleachers and a boat ramp to the waterfront area to improve access and recreational use. Construction begins in 2016.

•RECREATIONAL IM-PROVEMENTS: Adult tennis courts, basketball courts and a fitness trail were installed on Sadowski Parkway, this year. In addition, the proposed Raritan Riverfront Park on Riverview Drive received \$1.1M in NJDEP Green Acres funding and will include a play area for both small and large dogs, an ecological walking trail, a motorized boat launch, parking and a picnic and grilling area for families.

• INFRUSTRUCTURE STREET PAVING PROJECT: Over \$750K of both capital budget and grant funding have been invested in milling and paving roads and ADA compliant upgrades to curbs throughout the City.

•COMMERCIAL DEVELOP-MENT: A developer has been designated for the 50-acre Celotex gateway property and Commercial Development Company on State Street is currently rehabilitating and redeveloping 70-acres of land of the former ASARCO site.

Dangers of Heatstroke in Hot Motor Vehicles, Sadowski Pkwy, Perth Amboy - 7/23/15

*Photos by Angel Robledo













Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, Middlesex County, City of Perth Amboy and Safety Advocates Highlight Dangers of Heatstroke in Hot Motor Vehicles

News Release 7/27/15

NEW BRUNSWICK - There have been at least 10 heat-related deaths across the nation so far this year. As New Jersey experiences what are historically the hottest summer months, the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the City of Perth Amboy, Safe Kids Middlesex County and Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital (RWJUH) took time to educate the public about the dangers of leaving children and pets unattended in motor vehicles.

A program to remind the public to "Look before you lock" and to educate about the dangers of heatstroke took place on Thursday in front of the Community Center in Perth Amboy. During the event, officials showcased a mobile sign that will be displayed first in Perth Amboy and subsequently alongside roadways throughout Middlesex County to remind and educate the public about this potential and preventable danger.

'We are a young city, made up of more than 51,000 residents and many growing families. Educating our residents on safety is a high priority. Fortunately, such incidents have never been reported in Perth Amboy, and we want to keep it that way," said Mayor Wilda Diaz. "With the advocates we have partnered with today, we bring education and awareness not just in New Jersey, but nationwide."

Joining Diaz were Diana Starace, Injury Prevention Coordinator for the Level I Trauma Center at RWJUH and Safe Kids Middlesex County; Middlesex County Freeholder Director Ronald G. Rios; Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders Public Health and Safety Chair H. James Polos; Safe Kids New Jersey Director Carol Ann Giardelli; and members of the Perth Amboy Police Department. Oasis Chevrolet provided a sports utility vehicle used to demonstrate how hot the interior of a motor vehicle can get in just 15 to 20 minutes.

Education is the key element in any safety campaign, added Freeholder Public Health and Safety Chair H. James Polos. "There is more awareness out there following our initial rollout of this campaign last summer, but we've got to continue to share the message to prevent accidents so no family has to suffer through the results of such a preventable loss." There are no good reasons, including "I was just running into the store to grab something," to leave children or pets alone in a vehicle on a hot day, said Starace.

"Many people are shocked to learn how hot the inside of a car can actually get in just a few minutes," Starace added. On this particular beautiful summer day, the outside temperature measured 85 degrees, while the inside temperature of the vehicle was a cooler 81 degrees. Nearly 20 min. later, the temperature inside the vehicle – with windows closed – had reached 92 degrees and would keep getting hotter, she explained.

Heatstroke can set in when the body isn't able to cool itself quickly enough. A child's body heats up three to five times faster than adult's, making children more susceptible to heatstroke. When a child's internal temperature reaches 104 degrees, major organs begin to shut down, and when that temperature reaches 107 degrees, the child can die.

The New Jersey Department of Transportation encourages bystanders to:

- 1) Always make sure the child is okay and responsive. If not, call 911 immediately.
- 2) If the child appears ok, you should attempt to locate the parents; or have the facility's security or management page the car owner over the PA system.
- 3) If there is someone with you, one person should actively search for the parent while someone waits at the car.
- 4) If the child is not responsive and appears in great distress, attempt to get into the car to assist the child, even if that means breaking a window. Giardelli encouraged individuals to reduce the number of deaths and near misses by remembering to ACT:
- A: Avoid heatstroke-related injury and death by never leaving your child alone in a car, not even for a minute. And make sure to keep your car locked when you're not in it so kids don't get in on their own.
- C: Create reminders by putting something in the back of your car next to your child such as a briefcase, a purse or a cell phone that is needed at your final destination. This is especially important if you're not following your normal routine.
- T: Take action. If you see a child alone in a car, call 911. Emergency personnel want you to call. They are trained to respond to these situations. One call could save a life. For more information on preventing child heatstroke deaths, please visit www.safekids.org/heatstroke.

Elm Tree to be Cut Down, Perth Amboy City Hall Circle 7/31/15











PERTH AMBOY - One of the elm trees in City Hall Circle is slated to come down because of Dutch Elm Disease. It will make room for a new plant or flowers to brighten up already scenic City Hall Circle where other flowers and plants are in full bloom. Also in the circle is one of the replicas of the Liberty Bell. It's not unusual to find residents sitting on the benches in the circle to take in all of its beauty and serenity, especially on the weekends.

QuickChek New Jersey 33rd Annual Festival of Ballooning, Solberg Airport, Readington - 7/24-7/26/15 **Photos by Katherine Massopust & Carolyn Maxwell





























Dowdell Library 3D Printer Unveiling, South Amboy 7/21/15

*Photos by Joe Bayona



President of the Dowdell Library Foundation Mary Rager and Joe Mullane of Amboy Bank, cut the ribbon on the MakerBot 3D printer.



Watching the 3d printer in action



Elaine Garber director of the Dowdell Library and Doug Baldwin inspects the finished product



Pictured, (Left to Right), Elaine Garber, Mary Rager, Janet Simeone, Marilyn Cipollari, Jessica Festini, Barbra Bringman, and Joe Mullane.



Visitors anxiously await the demonstration to begin



Plastic bottle opener made with the 3D printer.

Tricky Tray PERTH AMBOY - Tricky Tray Auction September 20. Doors open at 3 p.m. at St. Peter's Episcopal Parish House 183 Rector Street, Perth Amboy. Admission is \$5.

AC Bus Trip PERTH AMBOY - TI

monthly trip to Caesar's Ca-

sino, AC will be on Thursday,

August 6. Bus leaves 12 Noon

from KOC, 228 High St., Perth

Amboy. Cost: \$30 pp. Receive

\$30 slot play. For additional

Warren Park

Mini-Theater

WOODBRIDGE - Sundays,

6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. All

Concerts are FREE. Florida

Grove Road, Woodbridge. Call

732-745-3936 for more info.

July 26 - Mark Heter and His

Band - Merry Melodies - mu-

sic of classic Warner Brothers

cartoons by Raymond Scott;

August 9 -Bernie Goydish's

Jersey Polka Stars - Polka and

Variety Music.

info call Joe: 732-826-0819.

Little Scientists SOUTH AMBOY - Little Scientists Fridays at 1 p.m. at the Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. Ages 3-5 yrs. For more info call 732-721-6060.

Superhero Buttons

SOUTH AMBOY - Thursdays at 4 p.m. at the Sadie Pope Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. For more info call 732-721-6060.

Mayor's Summer

WOODBRIDGE - Enjoy Great Music "Under the Stars" or "On the Lawn." Bring out your lawn chair and relax with the Mayor's Summer Concert Series. Show Time at 7:30 p.m. at Woodbridge High School. FREE ADMISSION with a donation of a non-perishable food item for "We Feed Woodbridge Food Bank." Mondays, August 8 - Jersey Sound; August 10 - The 1910 Fruitgum Company; August 17 - Cameos - Inclement Weather Hot-

Apply Today! **Scholarship** Deadline Extended to Friday, August 7th

PERTH AMBOY - The Perth Amboy Alliance for Community and Academy for Workforce Empowerment Projects of the Jewish Renaissance Foundation (JRF) are now accepting applications for the 2015 Scholarship Education Award. Who Is Eligible?

 Must be a current resident of the Greater Budapest neighborhood in the City of Perth Amboy

(see neighborhood map)

- •Must become a member of the Neighborhood Association and attend a minimum of 5 meetings
- •Must participate/volunteer for 3 events sponsored by the Jewish Renaissance Founda-
- •Must be able to show proof of residency by providing the following documents:
- 1. Photo ID (i.e. driver's license or State issued ID) or Current lease/mortgage agreement or utility bill showing applicant's name and ad-

Once completed, send application and copies of documents to Billy Kurzenburger

dress.

You can also mail the application to 149, Kearny Ave., Perth Amboy, NJ

Concert Series

line 732-602-6045

Rockin **Tuesdays**

WOODBRIDGE - LET'S ROCK! Tribute Bands Come To Woodbridge 2015 at Woodbridge High School, 25 Samuel Lupo Pl, Woodbridge. SHOW TIME at 7:30 p.m. FREE AD-MISSION with a Donation of Non-Perishable Food Items for "We Feed Woodbridge Food Banks." August 4 - Back to the Garden - Woodstock Tribute.; August 11 - The Glimmer Twins - "Rolling Stones Cover."; August 18 - Introduction - "The Chicago Experience" Inclement Weather Hotline 732-602-6045

Woodbridge Wednesdays

WOODBRIDGE - Enjoy Great Music "Under the Stars" or "On the Lawn". Bring out your lawn chair and relax with live music every Wednesday. Showtime at 7:30 p.m. at Parker Press Park. FREE ADMISSION with a donation of a non-perishable food item for "We Feed Woodbridge Food Bank." Free parking at NJT Parking Lot. For Inclement weather call the hotline at 732-602-6045. August 5 - Guy Davis; August 12 - Ari Heist; August 19 - Joe D'Urso and Stone Caravan.

MIY Thursdays

SOUTH AMBOY - MIY Thursdays - SADIE'S STU-DIO Programs at the Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. Come and join us as we Make, Create, Innovate! Ages 7-17 Enjoy fun hands-on electronic projects! Recycled Bead Bracelets Doodling Robots Kinect Remote Control Cars Learn Coding- RPG Combat Coding & Frozen Coding Little bits, Smoothies and MUCH MORE! For more info call 732-721-6060.

Local Band **Thursdays**

WOODBRIDGE Woodbridge Bands take the stage at Parker Press Park, 400 Rahway Avenue, Woodbridge. FREE Parking at NJT Parking Lot. Live Entertainment Featuring LOCAL Bands and Musicians. Enjoy Great Music "Under the Stars" and "On the Lawn." SHOW TIME at 7:30 p.m. FREE ADMIS-SION with a Donation of Non-Perishable Food Items for "We Feed Woodbridge Food Banks." Beer& Wine for sale by Riffy's; August 6 - Smoke n Mirrors; August 13 - The Kickback Band; August 20 - Smokin Catfish Inclement Weather Hotline 732-602-6045

Plays in the **Park**

EDISON - All Summer Performances Begin at 8:30 p.m. No Performances on Sunday Adults - \$7.00, Senior Citizens - \$5.00, Children 12 and Under Free. Shows play every night of the week at 8:30, except for Sundays. Tickets are sold on the day of performance only. No advance sales. CASH ONLY at the box office for summer shows. Plays-inthe-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: 732-548-2884. Please bring a non-perishable food item to benefit less fortunate residents through M.C.C.F.O.O.D.S. This 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. Jesus Christ Superstar - Wednesday, Jul. 29 through Saturday, Aug. 8. No Sundays. Show time: 8:30 p.m.

Lego ToddlersSOUTH AMBOY - Ages 2-3

yrs. old. Mondays at 2 p.m. at the Dowdell Library of South Amboy, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. For more info call 732-721-6060. Come build with us!

Country Sundays

WOODBRIDGE - At Parker Press Park, 400 Rahway Ave., Woodbridge; Show Time at 6:00 p.m. FREE ADMIS-SION with a Donation of Non-Perishable Food Items for "We Feed Woodbridge Food Banks" - August 8 - "A Tribute to Patsy Cline"; August 16 - Cricket Tell the Weather; August 23 - Spirit Family Reunion - Inclement Weather Hotline 732-602-6045.

Classic Car Show

SAYREVILLE - Blast from the Past Classic Car Show: Saturday, September 12, 4 p.m.- 8 p.m., located in Kennedy Park on Washington Road. Refreshments available at the Food court. Admission is free to spectators. To enter a classic car, please provide 2 non-perishable food items for the Sayreville Food Bank at the registration table. For Info call: 732-390-7092 / 7096.

Trip to Rocking Horse Ranch

PERTH AMBOY - The Holy Spirit Seniors in Perth Amboy is sponsoring a trip to Rocking Horse Ranch Resort in N.Y. Mon. Sept. 28 to Fri. Oct. 2, 2015. All are welcome! Price is \$615 each person for double occupancy, \$605 each for triple occupancy and \$715 each for single. Initial deposit of \$100 is due now. Final payment is due Aug. 15, 2015. Price includes: all meals, activities, indoor pool, horseback rides, taxes, tips and bus. For more info, please contact: Sue Shevchenko 732-442-1976

Soles 4 Souls

PERTH AMBOY - Wearing Out Poverty - Soles 4 Souls at Sneaker Ferry & Love Only Veins Eternity 1st Annual Shoe Drive to help fight against global poverty. Donate any new or used shoes for our shoe drive. Drop off location: Sneaker Ferry 154-156 Smith Street Perth Amboy N.J. 08861. All participants who donate will be entered in to win a raffle of \$100 towards next purchase at Sneaker Ferry. For additional information about our Shoe Drive, follow us on Instagram @spreadlove 3 & @sneakerferry.

X-Box

SOUTH AMBOY - X-Box Fridays from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. For more info call 732-721-6060.

Minecraft

SOUTH AMBOY - Free Drop -in Minecraft Tuesdays at the Dowdell Library, 100 Harold G. Hoffman Plaza, South Amboy. Teens & Adults. For more info call 732-721-6060.

South Amboy Summer Concerts

SOUTH AMBOY - Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. All Concerts are FREE. Raritan Bay Waterfront Park, O'Leary Boulevard, South Amboy/ Sayreville Beach Front. Concerts will take place rain or shine. In the case of inclement weather, you will be directed to the South Amboy Middle/ High School Auditorium by Park Rangers. Shuttle bus service will be available every week courtesy of Middlesex County Area Transit. Call 732-745-3936 for more info. August 5 - The Tim Gillis Band (The Greatest in Country Music); August 12 - Irish Night featuring The Perry Brothers Irish Band; August 19 - Danny V's 52nd Street Band - A Tribute to Billy Joel

Civil War Weekend

WOODBRIDGE - The Robert E. Lee Civil War Round Table of Central New Jersey will present its annual Civil War Living History Weekend at Parker Press Park, Rahway Ave., Rte 514, Woodbridge, N.J. on August 8 & 9, 2015.

Camps are open to the public Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and on Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. On Saturday evening beginning at 8:00 p.m., there will be a special 150th Civil War Commemoration Ceremony followed at 8:30 p.m. by Candlelight Camp Visitations.

Journey back to the time of The American Civil War. Watch skirmishes between the Armies of the Blue and Grey. See medical and weapons demonstrations. Visit with the Union and Confederate Armies in their camps. Speak with the Civil War historians and reenactors. Also visit civilian camps and purchase items from the Civil War Sut-

Children will take part in marching drills and will also be given a quiz sheet to which they may win a prize.

This event will be held rain or shine. There is free admission and free parking.



Gloria Pyne 87, Donald McClure 95



Ten of the residents that attended



(L to R) Jean Atcheson, 87 Kirt Wedemeyer 89, Sally Engelhardt, 75 and Flo Webber 76



Kirt Wedemeyer 89 and his wife Terry 87



I'm King of the world!!!!

AHOY from Brandywine Senior Living Seniors

Press Release

PERTH AMBOY - A group of seniors from Brandywine Senior Living 155 Raymond Road Princeton boarded the Cornucopia Princess Saturday August 1st. The seniors ages to 83 to 95 enjoyed a four hour excursion exploring the NY, NJ Waterways.

Some of the seniors have not been on a cruise in 60 plus years said Stephanie Gaber Brandywine Senior Living Escapades Producer. Kirt Wedemeyer 89 a resident of BSL said "I was really looking forward to this." "My wife Terry and I haven't cruised since the 80's "another Brandywine passenger Donald McClure 95 said When I heard I was going on a cruise I was so excited I couldn't sleep, it's been years since my last cruise. Escapades Producer Stephanie Gaber said I wanted to make a memorable summer experience for our residents, and I thought going on a Saturday afternoon Cruise would definitely create memorable moments and new memories!

In addition to this exciting excursion the residents of BSL enjoyed a scrumptious lunch.

Former VNA Health Group WIC Beneficiary to Unveil a Mural and Painting Honoring a Late WIC Nutritionist

News Release PERTH AMBOY - Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) Health Group is hosting an event to unveil works of art by a local artist that represent how her life was indelibly impacted by economic, emotional and nutritional support she received more than 30 years ago. In a ceremony hosted by VNA Health Group and attended by city and state public officials, Perth Amboy based artist Jacqueline Baker and former WIC beneficiary, will unveil a painting portraying the late Enid Blank, a WIC Lead Nutritionist who provided care and guidance to Jacqueline more than thirty years ago, and dedicate a mural recently painted by children and families who are current recipients of the program. Thursday, August 6th from 1:00 p.m. - 2:00

Refreshments will be served. At the Perth Amboy WIC Office, Capital One Building, 7th Floor, 313 State Street, Perth Amboy. F

For more than 30 years, Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) Health Group has operated WIC (The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children) in Monmouth and Middlesex Counties to provide nutrition education, nutritious foods, breastfeeding counseling and healthcare referrals to eligible NJ women who are pregnant or post-partum, infants and children under the age of 5.

In the 1980's, Jacqueline Baker was a pregnant teenager, unsure of where to turn when she contacted VNA Health Group and was enrolled into their WIC program. As a recipient of the program, Jaqueline was offered guidance and care by nutritional counselor Enid Blank, who left an indelible mark on the artist. Upon learning the news that Ms. Blank had passed away in 2013, Jacqueline was motivated to find a way to honor her and give back to the community and began working on a painting to portray Ms. Blank. The event will unveil the works of art including this painting and a mural recently painted by children and families who are current recipients of the program.

To attend, please contact Jesse Dean, Director, Digital Communications and Marketing at 732-224-6794 or by email, jesse.dean@vnahg.org. About VNA Health Group:

Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) Health Group is New Jersey's largest nonprofit Visiting Nurse Association that helps individual and families achieve their best level of health and well-being by providing home health care, hospice, palliative and community-based care and operating private-pay personal care services. A full range of primary-care services are available through VNACJ Community Health Centers. Our unique partnership model with health systems leverages our clinical and technical resources to operate VNA of Central Jersey, Cape VNA, Robert Wood Johnson Visiting Nurses, VNA of Englewood, and Visiting Physician Services. Currently, we employ more than 1,400 and each year, care for over 120,000 individuals and families with a special focus on vulnerable populations such as children, older adults and those with serious and disabling chronic illness. For more information about VNA Health Group call 800.862.3330, visit www.vnahg.org and follow us on Twitter at http://twitter. com/VNAHealthGroup or @ VNAHealthGroup.

Movie Review: Ant-Man

By Anton Massopust III "Be the hero your daughter believes you are. I need you to be the Ant-Man."

For those who are unfamiliar with the comic book character Ant-Man, he is Hank Pym, a brilliant scientist and one of the founding members of the Avengers. Thru the use of a special suit he can shrink to one inch in height and communicate with and control ants. In the movie version, Hank Pym (Michael Douglas) created the Ant-Man suit many years ago but shelved it over fears of how it could be misused by others. Faced with the possibility of the suit and its technology being discovered by his protégé, he decides he must stop the research and to do so he enlists the aid of Scott Lang. If they don't stop him, the technology will be sold off to some very bad people. Lang, is a hacker and thief. He is the perfect person to use the Ant-Suit to break in and steal or destroy the research being done. With the help of his daughter, Grace, Pym recruits and trains Lang in how to use the suit. With the help of Lang's criminal friends, they formulate a plan to break in and prevent the sale of the technology.



Did I like Ant-Man? Yes. As one of my friends observed, this isn't a superhero movie. It's a heist caper with superpowers. Think Oceans 11 meets Avengers. The cast does an excellent job with Douglas as the aging Hank Pym, and Paul Rudd playing the low key Scott Lang with a perfect combination of wit and sardonic humor. There are some cameos by some Avengers and not one but two post credit scenes. The special effects are well done and the plot moves along briskly. Ant-Man is a fine addition the Marvel Cinematic Universe. It's well worth your

Notice: Due to the large number of requests for our staff to take photos of local events we are unable to cover them all. Please inform us and we will let you know if coverage is available. Submitted Photos are always welcome.

Fed Up! Addiction Awareness Event

SAYREVILLE - Fed UP! is going Local! United We C.A.N Present for International Overdose Awareness Day. Monday, August 31st from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Kennedy Park, N. Ernston & Washington Rd., Sayreville. Speakers on Substance use awareness/educational information and a Candlelight Vigil. Calling for an end to our nation's epidemic of addiction and overdose deaths attributed to opioids (including heroin) and other prescription drugs. All are welcome. For more info email: Kim Seber - RootsToAddiction@yahoo.com or Mariel Harrison - mariel.harrison.yprnj@gmail.com

PAHS Class of 1970 Reunion

PERTH AMBOY - P.A.H.S. CLASS OF 1970, "45th Class Reunion," October 3, 2015, The Forge, Route 9, Woodbridge, NJ 07095, 6:30 p.m. - 11:30 p.m., Gourmet Buffet-5hr open bar-DJ, \$80 Per person. Payment due in full by August 1, 2015 –(sorry no refunds). Accommodations: Hampton Inn, Route 9, Woodbridge, NJ 07095. Mention PAHS REUNION & receive special rates (732-855-6900). Contacts: PAHS1970@aol. com, Tom:732-583-3527. Mail & Address checks to: PAHS CLASS OF 70, 10 Hamble Rd. Little Egg Harbor, NJ 08087. LOOKING FORWARD TO **SEEING EVERYONE!**

PAHS Class of 1960 Reunion

PERTH AMBOY - The PAHS Class of 1960 will be holding their 55 year reunion at the Hotel Woodbridge at Metropark in Iselin, NJ the weekend of September 18th, 19th and 20th. We have a Friday get together, Saturday dinner dance and Sunday brunch. You are able to come to any or all of the events. We have accommodation arrangements with the hotel for the weekend. For any further information, please contact Linda at 732-826-6794.

We are looking forward to a great reunion. Your being there will certainly add to the enjoyment!!! It's always great to revisit with you every five years, but we're also anxious to visit with those of you we haven't seen in a longer time - some not since 1960! Let this be the year you make the commitment to join us. Please don't let another reunion pass you by.

Carnival

PERTH AMBOY - St. John Paul II Parish Carnival at the parking lot of St. Stephen's Church, 490 State St., Perth Amboy. Aug, 5 & 6 from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m.; Aug. 7 from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. & Aug. 8 from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. To purchase tickets call 732-485-0039 or 732-826-1395 or 732-485-9367. Bring the whole family!

Point Pleasant Beach Trip

PERTH AMBOY - Saturday, August 15 from 8:15 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. \$20 Adults; \$15 Children under 11. (Money Orders ONLY) Includes Beach Pass, Aquarium Tour & Miniature Golf. Transportation is included. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian at all times. For more info call the Office of Recreation 732-826-1690 xt. 4305.

Zumba

PERTH AMBOY - FSC is bringing Zumba back to our center. Every 1st and 4th Wednesday from 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. at the Recreation center located at 1 Olive St. Perth Amboy. For further information please call 732-638-5063 or visit our office located at: 149 Kearny Ave. Perth Amboy.

PAHS All Alumni Picnic

PERTH AMBOY - Perth Amboy High School All Alumni Picnic, Saturday, August 15 from 12 Noon to 6 p.m. at Warren Park, Florida Grove Rd, Woodbridge. Tickets \$20 in Advance; \$25 at the Door. For tickets contact Kathy: 908-217-6064 or Kyle: 732-425-2417.

Writers Group

WOODBRIDGE - In cooperation with The Barron Arts Center, the Woodbridge Writers Group is a forum for writers of all levels to share ideas, voice opinions, and develop skills. We are aiming to cultivate an environment of trust and positivity designed to help local writers reach their goals, large or small. The door is open to all participants, whether you write as a hobby or have an eye toward publication, and we host a wide variety of genres. There is no entry fee or long term commitment to join this is an ongoing program with new topics and material each session. Our group is an open forum, so we invite you to bring any work you'd like to share. For more information, please email Brooke and Beth woodbridgewritersnj@ gmail.com

Ask the Rabbi

EDISON - Every Wednesday in August, Rabbi Saks of Congregation Beth Mordecai of Perth Amboy will be at Menlo Park Mall Food Court at 12 noon to 1 pm for his "Ask the Rabbi" program. He will offer a Jewish perspective on any question that you would like to ask.

Learn with the Rabbi

WOODBRIDGE - Every other Wednesday, Rabbi Saks of Congregation Beth Mordecai of Perth Amboy will be at Panera Bread in Woodbridge (across from Wegmans) from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. He will be teaching different Jewish subjects each week. Upcoming sessions are on August 5, August 19 and September 2.

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PERTH AMBOY - Friday August 14; \$55 pp. (Money Orders ONLY) Food voucher & transportation included. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian at all times. For more info call the Office of Recreation 732-826-1690 xt. 4305.

Trip to Medieval Times

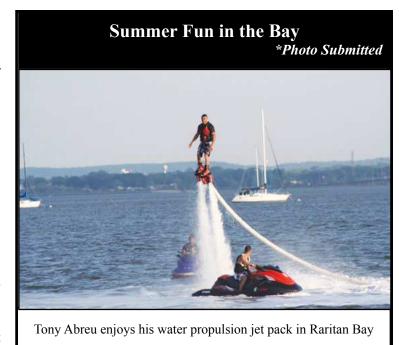
PERTH AMBOY - Dinner & Jousting Tournament; Saturday, August 22; \$35 pp. (MONEY ORDERS ONLY) Show starts at 8 p.m. Transportation is included. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian at all times. For more info call the Office of Recreation 732-826-1690 xt. 4305.

Mayor's Summer Concert Series

PERTH AMBOY - Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. - August 6 - The Rollbacks - Latin Jazz & Rock 'n Roll; August 18 - Soul Grove Band - Motown; Bayview Park, 250 Water St., Free of Charge. Rain Date: The following Tuesday.

Wendy's Fast Food Free Beverage Sample Tasting

PERTH AMBOY - Radiance Church hosts Wendy's fast food free beverage sample tasting after service this Sunday, August 9 in front of church on 446 Market Street, Perth Amboy. Service at 11 a.m. Any questions Call 201-306-8764



Former VNA Health Group WIC Beneficiary to Unveil a Mural and Painting Honoring a Late WIC Nutritionist

News Release

PERTH AMBOY - Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) Health Group is hosting an event to unveil works of art by a local artist that represent how her life was indelibly impacted by economic, emotional and nutritional support she received more than 30 years ago. In a ceremony hosted by VNA Health Group and attended by city and state public officials, Perth Amboy based artist Jacqueline Baker and former WIC beneficiary, will unveil a painting portraying the late Enid Blank, a WIC Lead Nutritionist who provided care and guidance to Jacqueline more than thirty years ago, and dedicate a mural recently painted by children and families who are current recipients of the program. Thursday, August 6th from 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Refreshments will be served. At the Perth Amboy WIC Office, Capital One Building, 7th Floor, 313 State Street, Perth Amboy. F

For more than 30 years, Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) Health Group has operated WIC (The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children) in Monmouth and Middlesex Counties to provide nutrition education, nutritious foods, breastfeeding counseling and healthcare referrals to eligible NJ women who are pregnant or post-partum, infants and children under the age of 5.

In the 1980's, Jacqueline Baker was a pregnant teenager, unsure of where to turn when she contacted VNA Health Group and was enrolled into their WIC program. As a recipient of the program, Jaqueline was offered guidance and care by nutritional counselor Enid Blank, who left an indelible mark on the artist. Upon learning the news that Ms. Blank had passed away in 2013, Jacqueline was motivated to find

a way to honor her and give back to the community and began working on a painting to portray Ms. Blank. The event will unveil the works of art including this painting and a mural recently painted by children and families who are current recipients of the program.

To attend, please contact Jesse Dean, Director, Digital Communications and Marketing at 732-224-6794 or by email, jesse.dean@vnahg.org. About VNA Health Group:

Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) Health Group is New Jersey's largest nonprofit Visiting Nurse Association that helps individual and families achieve their best level of health and well-being by providing home health care, hospice, palliative and community-based care and operating private-pay personal care services. A full range of primary-care services are available through VNACJ Community Health Centers. Our unique partnership model with health systems leverages our clinical and technical resources to operate VNA of Central Jersey, Cape VNA, Robert Wood Johnson Visiting Nurses, VNA of Englewood, and Visiting Physician Services. Currently, we employ more than 1,400 and each year, care for over 120,000 individuals and families with a special focus on vulnerable populations such as children, older adults and those with serious and disabling chronic illness. For more information about VNA Health Group call 800.862.3330, visit www.vnahg.org and follow us on Twitter at http://twitter. com/VNAHealthGroup or @ VNAHealthGroup.

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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.

Novena to St. Jude

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

Raritan Bay Cruisers Car Show

WOODBRIDGE - Starting on Tuesdays, May 12 - Sept. 29 from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. Weather Permitting, Pizza Hut, Rte. 9, Woodbridge, (Wal-Mart Parking Lot). Trophy's Awarded. For More Info Call 732-585-

FREE Family Fun Fest

PERTH AMBOY - FREE Family Fun Fest in celebration of National Health Center Week, on Thursday, August 13th at the JRMC from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the JRMC 275 Hobart Street, Perth Amboy. We are Looking for Vendors and Donations! If you would like to promote your business, make a donation, or provide a fun activity... please contact us: Sorangie Castillo, Planning & Development; Email: scastillo@jrmc.us; Call: (732) 376-6638

2015 Summer

Lunch Program
PERTH AMBOY - Free Lunch for Children and Teenagers Up to 18 years of age. FREE organized activities, such as whiffle ball & board games. City of Perth Amboy Counselors on-site. July 1st through August 28. Serving time at 12 noon. No registration required: Caledonia/Roessler Park - 65 High St.; Francis Street Park - 966-972 Francis St.; Patten Park - 339 Reade St.; Stanley P. Rudyk Park - 820 State St.; Washington Park - 660 New Brunswick Ave.; Columbus Park - 679 Columbus Circle. Children under the age of 10 years MUST be accompanied by an adult or legal guardian. For more info call the Office of Recreation 732-826-1690 ext. 4306. The Summer Food Service Program is a federal program of the Food and Nutrition Services, US Dept. of Agriculture. This program provides all children 18 years of age and under the free lunch meal during the summer months in accordance with a menu proved by the state agency regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age.

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LOOKING BACK



PERTH AMBOY - Chevron Gas Station on corner of Smith Street & Convery Blvd.

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Senior Scene

Happenings

Perth Amboy

WED. Aug. 5 Holy Rosary Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Auditorium, Florida Grove Rd.

St. Stephen's Seniors, 1 p.m., Cafeteria, State St.

THURS. Aug. 6 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.

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

TUES. Aug. 11 Holy Spirit Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Church Hall, Brace Ave.

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

WED. Aug. 12 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. Aug. 13 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.

South Amboy

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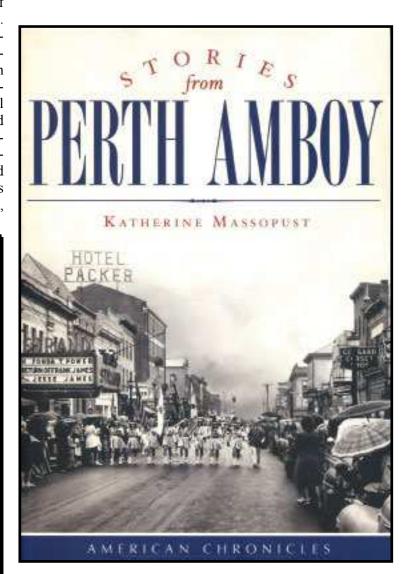
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MON. Aug. 31 Sacred Heart Seniors, 12 Noon

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MON. Sep. 7 St. Mary's Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.

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PERTH AMBOY - Great location, high visibility, office, warehouse or store. Space has been going under major renovation, roof, HVAC, windows, electrical, plumbing, floors, insulation, new drywall (wall/ceiling). Look at the new pictures attached for a better idea. Should be ready for August rental. \$2.000/Mo Rent



PERTH AMBOY - Great Neighborhood 7 Bedrooms come with this warm and comfortable large single family house blended with old English charm. Located in a prestigious water front section of Perth Amboy. This house has lots of potential. A REAL TREAT FOR THIS PRICE.