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## Discussions Continued: City's Purchase of High Street Property, Change Orders, Contract in Question

*9/10/18 Caucus & 9/12/18 Council Meeting*

**PERTH AMBOY** - At the 9/10/18 Caucus, there was a discussion regarding R-390-9/18 Proposal awarding a contract to Topology New Jersey for General Planning Services between the City of Perth Amboy for the period covering January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018 in an amount not to exceed \$17,499.00.

Acting Business Administrator Greg Fehrenbach stated, "This was not brought up to you by the previous administration. The purchasing agent and I agree that it's for professional services for you to vote on."

Resident Ken Balut came up to speak, and said that he believed that the Council was not given any answers regarding this resolution and it was a side-tracked deal.

Fehrenbach stated, "Since it was a proposal that was received, there were no requirements needed."

Another discussion was on R-396-9/18 - Authorizing a change order No. 1 to the contract with Honeywell International Inc. reducing the agreement for the Energy Saving Improvement Program in the amount of \$51,721.00.

Fehrenbach said he reviewed this with Danny Cleaver from DPW and DPW Director Frank Hoffman. "It's supposed to be doing what it's purpose is for. There is no guarantee that you will get a refund if you don't get the agreed upon savings. All I can tell you, is that the guarantee doesn't exist. The administrator and attorney should have been responsible to put that guarantee in. The Purchasing Agent and CFO had no input on it. I don't know if there was an analysis if having a guarantee would be worth it."

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez then made a comment, "We (the Council) may have voted a guarantee down because we felt it was not cost effective."

Ken Balut talked about this contract during the public portion. "I said it was a bad deal. Who negotiated this? Mr. Fehrenbach has to come back to fix bad deals made by others who were running the ship. All of

this needs to be investigated. I bet money (contracts) were given to PAC money contributors."

Fehrenbach stated that he agreed with Mr. Balut regarding R-396.

During the 9/12/18 Council Meeting, Resident Stanley Sierakowski had a comment to make regarding Communication No. 1. Jeffrey Rauch, Engineer advising Council President William Petrick that the approximate cost of the demolition of Knights of Columbus Building (High Street) is between \$40,000 to \$60,000. This amount does not take into account if there are any asbestos or any USTS.

Sierakowski said, "The cost will probably be between \$80,000 to \$100,000 if asbestos has to be removed."

Petrick responded, "The City has not signed a contract (to purchase the property) yet."

Sierakowski then suggested, "It would be better to make this into an office building to attract professionals instead of a parking lot."

Petrick then stated, "Before the City can consider purchasing the building, the Council wanted the cost of demolition in case the City did purchase the property. In regards to making it a parking lot, you have to consider the neighborhood, which has a lack of parking now."

Resident Vince Mackiel asked about any progress that was being made on the Market Street bridge. "People that use the train are of lower income bracket. The County said that the bridge can't be repaired. Couldn't you have a temporary bridge? Is there an ordinance to put crosswalks in place? Transit should be able to do something temporary. The County should sent a letter, or maybe the City should. The City should also send an apology to the (Perth Amboy) Republican Party for being prevented from having a table at family day. You should also talk to Buckeye regarding the pipeline."

Fehrenbach responded to Mackiel, "The Police and Public Works looked at installing crosswalks. Because of the rise

on the bridge, it was not safe to do so and barriers were put in instead. Transit did not respond immediately to us. The structural texture of the bridge is in question. When transit finally did respond, they recognized their responsibility. They will be sending out engineers."

Resident Linda Ferreira, who lives in the Budapest Section said, "There's no communication when it comes to having street cleaning. Signs were installed, but people have no idea when they are supposed to be getting the cars off the street for cleaning."

Councilman Joel Pabon responded. "Public Works said that once they finish the Budapest Section, they will have a regular cleaning schedule."

Resident Sharon Hubberman, who is also the Perth Amboy Republican Chair came to speak about Family Day. "The person who made the decision for us (PA Reps) not to be allowed to participate that day was the Mayor. She likes to talk about women's rights. The Mayor picks what she wants to support. We're not going to hear about the important issues. Her team is in place for distractions only. Why do I have to go to Federal Court to fight?" Hubberman continued, "What is the requirements to run for election in this town? I have their (Working For You) voting records. One candidate has been voting in Carteret. Political Parties are a protected class. We have more in common than differences with the Democratic Party."

Council President Bill Petrick then asked if there was a way to have the Council make decisions for people who want to have walks or any similar activities when it comes to using the City's facilities.

Law Director King responded, "If a group is using the City's facilities, then the administration has to decide."

Resident Maria Garcia said, "I'm happy to see Fehrenbach. For 29 years, Sunshine Alley (Kearny Avenue area) has not been fixed as promised."

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## Residents Praise City Officials for Recent Clean-Up

*9/18/19 Council Meeting*



Business Administrator  
Glenn Skarzynski



Kenneth Feeley  
*\*file photo*

By: Joseph L. Kuchie

**SOUTH AMBOY** - Multiple residents attended last Wednesday's council meeting to thank Mayor Fred Henry, Business Administrator Glenn Skarzynski, and the entire city council for quickly addressing the rat problem that was affecting South Amboy.

City officials have been proactive in making sure property owners are keeping their residences clean following reports of rats in the city, and on Wednesday the council passed an ordinance that will give South Amboy better ways to track abandoned properties owners and ensure the properties are being kept clean and tidy.

South Amboy has also been testing a new bulk garbage pick-up plan that allows residents to throw away unlimited amounts of trash one a month rather than limited amounts of trash once a week. Skarzynski reported that the experiment has been very successful, and he hopes to continue with this plan moving forward.

"The rodent situation is completely under control, it's an ongoing process," Skarzynski said. "I'm very happy to report that both Jay Elliott from Code and Lee Lloyd from Health have been doing the heavy lifting on this. They are out there every day."

"My instructions to them are to take whatever steps necessary to clean up properties that

owners aren't handling, and that is inclusive of large tracks of undeveloped land," he continued. "We've identified the owners and we're moving forward with getting those cleaned up as well."

Each resident that spoke during the public portion of the council meeting came to the microphone and thanked Mayor Henry and Business Administrator Skarzynski for their dedication to the problem.

"I want to thank Fred and Glenn, thank you very much for coming out last month and addressing the situation with the rodents, I really mean that because I have not seen any since," Resident Ken Feeley said.

"Glenn, I can't thank you enough," Resident Beverly Samuelson said. "it took four years of me complaining and you came along, and you did it...thank you very much."

Councilman Tom Reilly was also happy to see the abandon properties ordinance get past by the rest of the council.

"You look around the town, there are certain areas that we really need to attack, and abandoned homes are one of them," Reilly said. "I applaud the rest of the council for introducing that and getting that passed."

All council members were in attendance for the council meeting. The next city council meeting will be held on October 17th at 7:00 p.m.



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Discussions Continued:  
9/10/18 Caucus & 9/12/18 Council Meeting

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Fehrenbach responded, "I have a vague memory of that. I would rather look at the record than speculate."

The Council voted as follows: for the consent agenda, R-375-9/18 thru R-384-9/18 and R-386-9/18 thru R-400-9/18 was moved by Councilman Fernando Irizarry and seconded by Councilman Helmin Caba. R-385-9/18 was voided.

Late Starter R-401-9/18 Authorizing the renewal of a certain 2018-2019 plenary retail consumption license. The necessary fees have been paid, therefore be it and it is hereby resolved that the following plenary retail consumption licenses are hereby granted and effective September 13, 2018: Royal N Inc., T/a The Courthouse Inn, 417 Fayette St.; T&A Discount Liquors, Inc. T&A Discount Liquors & Wines, 439 Convery Blvd.

During the Council Comments, President William Petrick went first and read a statement (See the 9/19/18 Issue of the Amboy Guardian p.7.). In his statement, he addressed disparaging remarks made against him by someone on Facebook.

Helmin Caba spoke next. "I have never seen or witnessed what you've (Petrick) been accused of." Caba then asked about a religious organization who requested to use Rudyk Park for an event in 2019. They haven't gotten an answer yet. "What is the process for using the City's property?"

Law Director King said, "There's an ordinance: 343-3 which addresses that situation and I will make a copy for you which was amended."

Fehrenbach also responded, "I will check this for Caba. I'll look at the whole process and I've been talking to Mr. Ortiz (Director of Recreation)."

Councilman Caba said, "I would like to thank the Perth Amboy and Sayreville Police for an incident that occurred on the Victory Bridge."

Councilman Fernando Irizarry spoke next and thanked Petrick for the statements that he made. "We have disagreed, but he (Petrick) has never made any bad comments. He has integrity

and is important to this community. I hope he continues on."

Irizarry also wanted to know what happened about informing the Council about any City events such as flag raisings. He also questioned the cost of putting up flagpoles (at the International Park).

Fehrenbach responded, "All flagpoles (for the International Park) are paid for by the City and the organization raising their flag sends out the invites."

Irizarry asked about the \$26,000 that was in the budget for flagpoles.

Fehrenbach responded, "The CFO Goldy set aside \$26,000 for this purpose. I will find out where the money came from for the Peruvian Flag Raising."

Irizarry then asked, "Who made a decision to give the money from the Taste of Perth Amboy to the Homeless Initiative instead of the Library? Apparently, someone thinks the Library has enough money. What is the Homeless Initiative?"

Irizarry then asked, "What's going on with the bus parking on Sayre Avenue? This company keeps getting extensions (to park on that property). What is that property zoned for? An ordinary person would not be given this courtesy. I think the court is violating the law. If we look at an ordinance involving festivals, the administration is supposed to respond (to the applicant's request) in 45 days."

Council President Bill Petrick requested that the Law Director look to see if the Council can take action regarding the Sayre Avenue Property.

Councilman Joel Pabon spoke next. He addressed Council President Bill Petrick stating, "I reached out to you first when I read about the derogatory comments made about you. It's a shame when someone accuses another person of untruths, which says a lot about you. The Petrick family has been in business for at least 100 years serving the people of Perth Amboy."

Pabon then wanted an update on what's happening with the tennis courts. He also mentioned 89 Lewis Street which has a lot of cracks in their foundation.

Fehrenbach responded, "I talked to the contractors and engineers. There was a change

order of \$122,000 for additional stones. A resident's property infringed on the City's property. Certain DEA issues have to be resolved, and they have not yet released the funds. The engineer for the contractor and our City Engineer said that the Change Order amount would be \$32,000 instead. There has been a revised work schedule for the tennis courts. They're still working on the rest room facilities, grading, paving, and the color coat (weather permitting). The weather can't be less than 50° F. The color coat has to wait until next spring, but other work can proceed."

Councilman Joel Pabon then made comments regarding a problem by the train station. "There's a big tree on the southbound side where people do their business at night. I'd like to see that tree taken down. School busses are now parking by the Cornucopia."

He also asked for an update on Water Stadium.

Fehrenbach responded, "An architect had been hired to do report that was delivered to you."

Petrick then said, "It was delivered and stopped there. It may have been through email. It's City property."

Fehrenbach then requested that all the reports be sent to him so that he and Kenny Ortiz can talk to the Board of Education to resolve this issue." Fehrenbach also addressed the Victory Bridge Pier and the Dog Park which needs funding. "The original funding did not come through. The NJDEP Green Acres Grant is expiring soon. We need to complete other projects first."

Councilman Pabon said, "I don't remember that the City had to do a match for the funding."

Council President Bill Petrick then said people had complained to him because they were told by the police they could no longer fish under the Victory Bridge which they had done so for years.

Deputy Police Chief Larry Cattano responded, "There is an ordinance that fishing is not permitted in that area."

Councilman Fernando Gonzalez was not present at the meeting.

Calendar  
Dinner Dance

PERTH AMBOY – The St. Ann Society of Ukrainian Assumption Church will sponsor its annual Calendar Dinner Dance on Saturday, Oct. 27, 2018, in the Assumption Catholic School auditorium, Meredith & Jacques Sts. Enjoy a night of dining and dancing; appetizers and a lavish buffet by Palms Plaza and DJ music by Supreme Sound and Entertainment. Doors open at 6 p.m., buffet at 7 p.m. As always, BYOB. Tickets are \$40 pp and can be purchased by calling the church office at 732-826-0767 or after liturgies from members. Get your tickets soon!

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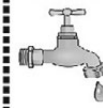
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Concentrate on What You Can Do for Your City NOT What Your City Can Do For You!



Beauty



Beast

A word to the wise: your harshest critics are those who may have your best interest at heart. Those are the ones who had faith in you from the beginning and were not just looking for a job in the City.

It is more important engage our County and State Officials to modernize the Perth Amboy Train Station and stop dragging their feet. And what of the eyesores of the old municipal buildings bordering High, Fayette, and Rector Streets. We can't imagine the conditions on the inside.

I remember the Perth Amboy Council urging a Meeting for the Freeholders to come to Perth Amboy to address the homeless problem and why our neighboring towns are not doing their

share to help these people in their municipalities.

Our County and State Representatives come for commemorative events and also they'll show up to support certain tickets for local elections. I know some of these officials have gone to our neighboring towns to discuss their specific issues. These three quality of life issues are some of utmost importance.

We saw the Facebook posts that were made by a Councilman, but chose not to publish them. They had nothing to do with the problems facing our City.

People always talk about men degrading women. I have seen a lot of women do more damage to other women.

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THE COMMUNITY VOICE

Muddy Buddy

I remember when I was a boy scout back in the 60's; we would go to camp for one week in the summer time. One of the traditions we had was a thing called the "Muddy Buddy". We would walk down to the Delaware River and have what was basically, a mud fight. My friends and I had a great time slinging mud at each other and we ended up with mud in every conceivable place, hair, ears, even down our swim trunks.

Afterwards we would trek back up the hill and shower off the mud we could not wash off in the river, and then go to the mess hall together for lunch. It was great fun.

Back then, I could see no point or agenda in this activity other to just have fun, we were only kids after all, and this was kid stuff. Only after years did I realize that there was a point to this controlled mayhem. The lesson was; we could throw mud at each other, clean up, sit down and break bread together, and still be friends. At least that's how I see it.

These days there is a different type of mudslinging going

on, (still kid stuff as far as I am concerned). This mud does not wash off and is meant to hurt in a most vicious way. I am talking about the mud being slung at our council president William Petrick.

On this subject I can speak from personal experience.

I met Bill back in the seventies, when we were both members of the volunteer first aid squad and volunteer fire department here in town.

Although we had different personalities, we both had one common goal and that was to serve our community.

As members of the volunteer fire department, when we put our personal safety at risk by going into a burning building to do a search for anyone who might be trapped inside, we did not ask if the person was of a particular race, gender, or political affiliation. We did not care about things like that, and still don't. Our goal was to find them and bring them out to safety if possible.

When, as members of the volunteer first aid squad, we were awakened at three in the morning to carry someone down

from the second floor who was having a heart attack, or who had just overdosed on drugs, we did not care about their personal persuasions. To us, they were a person in trouble and we were there to help them.

As members of these organizations, we got to serve the whole community not just a select few. We served the poor and the rich. Black, White, Hispanic, Oriental, male or female, it didn't matter.

We got to see the dark side of our "sleepy little hamlet". The drug addicts, the alcoholics, the homeless, and the illegal housing, which still exists today. We were the "grunts on the ground" so to speak. This was our way of serving our community.

To defame this mans character is an abomination. He is neither a racist nor a misogynist. I will tell you what else he is not. He is not a puppet or a yes man, which is the type of person our current mayor seems to want surrounding her. I guess when you cannot argue the issues successfully throw mud is the lesson now a days.

Joe Bayona

Open Letter - Council President Petrick to Mayor Diaz: Stop Playing Politics and Truly Put 'Perth Amboy First'

To Mayor Wilda Diaz & Citizens of Perth Amboy:

Your recent political "Open Letter" to the media and our residents is outrageous and offensive.

At least, Mayor, you finally stepped out from behind the curtain. The public now clearly sees that my independent "Perth Amboy First" Team is running against YOU on Nov. 6th - NOT against your three, hand-picked puppet candidates.

Your candidates seem to be well-meaning people who, I guess, promised to rubber-stamp whatever hair-brained schemes you might propose. Seriously, Wilda? That IS NOT what's best for Perth Amboy - you know that's true in your heart.

Our "Perth Amboy First" Team - Joel Pabon, Milady Tejada and I - have years of leadership experience, tremendous public service records, and

many community accomplishments to our credit. Your slate has done nothing except pose for a few pictures.

Your character attack on me was obviously engineered by you and your sister, Nancy Diaz, who dredged up some old Facebook posts. Then, you and she publicly misrepresented their intent to spread lies. That looks sad and desperate.

Worse: You misused City Hall's public information office to write and release a political "Open Letter" bashing me. And, your City Hall staff continually posts on social media during work hours. That abuse of tax dollars must end, but it's nothing new for your Administration.

Here is the truth: I am a proud advocate for women in government and for women in leadership roles. In fact, I once supported your candidacy before I wised up.

I enjoy and am proud to represent an ethnically, culturally and religiously diverse community. I am a vocal proponent of immigrant-rights and legislation to make New Jersey more inclusive and safer for all families. My grandparents were immigrants as well.



Council President Bill Petrick

Finally, Mayor Diaz, let me to appeal to your sense of honor: Stop telling lies. Stop taking cheap shots. And, please, stop misusing taxpayer-funded city services for political purposes. Let's work together to put Perth Amboy First.

Thank you,  
William Petrick  
Perth Amboy Council President

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KRAUSZER'S .....200 N. BROADWAY  
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## 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.

## Kearny Cottage Open

PERTH AMBOY - Come visit the historic home of Commodore Lawrence Kearny. The Cottage is located at 63 Catalpa Ave, Perth Amboy, and is open on Mondays and Thursdays from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. and the last Sunday of the month from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. by appointment. 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)

## Historic Surveyor General's Office

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

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

## Proprietary House Open

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

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

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

## Community Calendar

### Perth Amboy

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

THURS. Sept. 27 Historic Preservation Commission, 7 p.m.  
City Hall, High St.

### South Amboy

WED. Oct. 3 City Council, Business, 6 p.m.

City Hall, N. Broadway

WED. Oct. 17 City Council, Regular, 7 p.m.

City Hall, N. Broadway

*\*Check our website [www.amboyguardian.com](http://www.amboyguardian.com) for updates on meeting times and places*

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

We are taking safety precautions in the City of Perth Amboy, emphasize that it is important:

**IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING!!**

Report Suspicious Activity - Be Vigilant - **STAY ALERT!**

Do not think that any call or report is too small

Don't allow the actions of a few dictate your quality of life

**FOR ALL EMERGENCIES, DIAL: 9-1-1**

**FOR ALL NON-EMERGENCIES, DIAL: 732-442-4400**



St. James Zion Community Church Picnic, Perth Amboy 9/8/18

\*Photos by Carolyn Maxwell



Ferry Slip Concert (L&C) 8/28/18 & Bayview Park Concert (R) Series, Perth Amboy Waterfront 7/26/18

\*Photos by Carolyn Maxwell





## Students, Staff & Board of Education Impressed with High School Renovations

### 9/13/18 Board of Education Meeting

By: Carolyn Maxwell  
PERTH AMBOY — Student Representatives Kevin Chavez and Jadelyn Cardenales both spoke about how pleased they were with how the high school looked as soon as they walked into the entrance. Jadelyn spoke first and stated she was surprised in the best way possible. “I was nervous, but everyone was great. I love the laptops. The updated Media Center was exciting.”

When Kevin came up to speak, he echoed the same sentiments, plus he added the main office was very vibrant and the secretaries seemed very happy. “We can wear our panther uniforms every day. The laptops mean we are responsible. I’m excited to be a senior, but also sad I will be leaving (graduating this year).”

After the students spoke, there was a motion to go into executive session. But before doing so, Board Member Junior Iglesia said, “The public needs more information on what we will be discussing in closed session.”

Board Member Tashee Vasquez asked the Board Attorney Isabel Machado if she could draw up a draft regarding this.

Board President Ken Puccio said, “Going into closed session, we can be discussing something very confidential in nature.”

Board Member Obi Gonzalez then suggested that this could be discussed as New Business.

The Closed Session was called at 5:43 p.m. and the Board returned at 7:22 p.m.

During the Board Meeting, when Board President Ken Puccio made his report, he requested a moment of silence to remember those who perished in 9-11-01. “A lot of people forgot about this. Our Vice President Milady Tejeda was in the South Tower that day.”

Superintendent Dr. David Ro-

man then spoke, “I am happy to report that we had a very successful school opening thanks to the staff. I had a meeting with the Leadership Team who are dedicated to help students fulfill their dreams. The Freshman Academy on Seaman Street is due to open February 2019. The Health & Science Academy is due to open in two weeks. We’re dedicated to providing an opportunity to help students succeed and contribute to society. Change has to happen in all positions in May and June.”

Board Member Lissett Lebron had a question about approval for a Dual Language School to conduct an Afterschool Supplemental Tutoring Program under the supervision of Dr. Jose Santos and also for approval for the James J. Flynn School to conduct a Before and After School Enrichment and Supplemental Tutoring Program. Lebron asked if the similar programs will be offered to all schools.

Dr. Vivian Rodriguez replied, “Others were already approved previously (in other schools).”

Ms. McAdam had shown a slide presentation which was a self-assessment for determining grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act. She responded to a question on of the Board Members asked in regards of what activities will take place this year addressing bullying. McAdam said, “In October, there will be a “Week of Respect” Presentation done in an assembly. We will have responses in classrooms in how we should relate to one another. The staff will look at conflict resolutions and we will be dealing on lessons on anti-bullying.”

Tashee Vasquez told the parents in attendance that there are a lot of revised policies that will be on the website.

During the New Business, it was discussed that for the executive session, the Board Attorney will come back with

proposed language on what information they can tell those in attendance as to what information can be given to the public before the Board goes into closed session.

Junior Iglesia asked for an update on the new high school.

Board Secretary Derek Jess responded, “There’s no groundbreaking, yet. We have to look at the education specifics for the building design and advertise for bids. After the designs and constructions are met, we’ll have to interview those who put in a bid and score them. The construction was pushed back because of contaminated soil. We’re looking at maybe 2023. Whenever a new school is being constructed, there always is additional time built in.”

Board Member Lissett Lebron encouraged the parents to meet with their children’s teachers, the administrators, and all staff involved in your child’s education.

Tashee Vasquez said, “The Board of Education is working with the administration and OEM for any weather-related emergencies. Keep the people of North Carolina in your prayers.”

Board Vice President Milady Tejeda thanked all who came to the Convocation at the beginning of the school year. “I’m very proud of the district.”

Board President Ken Puccio remarked that the football team had an impressive opening win. He urged all to cheer on all of our sports teams.

During the public portion, Dr. Walden from the Jewish Renaissance invited the Board Members to come to an office in the High School that has an inspiration chalk board wall. Students can come in and write inspirational thoughts. She also mentioned that Suicide Prevention Month is September.

Earlier in the Meeting there was a slideshow presentation by Board Attorney Isabel Mach-



Students Representatives at the 9/13/18 BOE Meeting  
\*Photos by Carolyn Maxwell



Board Members (L) and a Staff Member from the High School pose in front of the Inspirational Chalkboard

ado, which were the Do’s and Don’ts for Board Members. The Do’s: advice to Board Members regarding keeping the community informed on the progress and needs of the district. At the meetings, consider recommendations of the Superintendent and refer all complaints to the Superintendent. Board Members should follow Board Policy. Decisions that are made should support the educational welfare of all children. The Board as a whole makes decisions. The Don’ts: don’t publicly criticize staff members, violate the chain of command, take

private which may compromise the Board, be swayed by special interests, or partisan politics, discuss confidential matters with anyone but the Board, undermine a decision made by a majority of the Board even if you disagree.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m. Board Members Jay Martinez and Anton Massopust were absent.

## Editorial \*Continued from Page 4

We were very thrilled when they tore down the old, dilapidated structures on State Street and even more thrilled when we saw the newly built Target facility. But, we’ll be even more thrilled when those complexes are completed with employers who will hire Perth Amboy residents.

Right now, many of the new businesses sprouting up are temp agencies who take people to out of town jobs.

I know it’s been said: if you have people employed here, they will eat here and shop here.

Everybody knows about the horrendous parking situation.

Another concern is the additional traffic hazard when the Seaman Street Elementary School opens up by the Public Safety Complex in front of the Firehouse. This will be traffic jam galore when that school is let out. Lord, we only pray.

Then again, there’s quality of life. You have no idea what I’m thinking when people are blasting their radios so loud, they

could wake up the dead.

This is only a sampling of our concerns. This is what those running for Council Seats should think about.

So, to all of the candidates running for the first time or reelection, what is your strategy to address these problems?

Four years from now, I don’t want to see these same problems existing on High Street, where the old Courthouse, Police Station, and First Aid Squad buildings are covered in moss and mold.

We don’t want to have a situation with our streets having a sinkhole like they had on one of the side streets in South Amboy three years ago when a car was swallowed up.

The only reason we are bringing all this up is because we love Perth Amboy, its Waterfront, its history, its beauty.

Concentrate on what can make Perth Amboy even more beautiful. Get after Zombie House owners. Work with the banks to revitalize abandoned properties.



### Beauty

Track down the persistent garbage dumpers.

Enough of this internal feuding of the Democratic Party. What is being accomplished? Not everyone agrees with everyone. You don’t have to agree on everything to work with someone. The beauty of the United States

is the loyal opposition. It’s okay to disagree with someone, but respect their opinion. No one is right all the time. So much more can be accomplished when everyone works together for a common goal.

Don’t hide the beauty of the Waterfront by overbuilding it



### Beast

with high rises. You won’t believe people who have visited the town had no idea we had a Waterfront.

It’s time we set aside petty differences and work together. Perth Amboy can get back to their glory days.

C.M. & K.M.



# Amboy Bank to Hold Celebration for Renovation of Sayreville Branch

Press Release  
SAYREVILLE - On Saturday, September 29, 2018, Amboy Bank will hold a renovation celebration for their Sayreville branch located at 412 Washington Road from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
The celebration will include free coffee and pastry from 9am to 11am; free hot dogs, soda, and popcorn from 11am to 1pm; and free ice cream from noon to 2pm. There will be free face painting for kids of all ages. In addition, the first 100 adult visitors will be given a free dollar coin...Who said banks don't give away free samples?  
One of the highlights of the celebration at Amboy Bank is the "Instant Rewards Game." Each of the first 300 adult visitors will be able to pick a disk from the game board. All disks are winners of either a cash prize up to \$500 or a local store gift certificate. The branch will also have a month-long sweepstakes to win a 50" smart television, \$100 Home Depot gift card or

a one year Amazon Prime membership. Entry blanks are available at the branch.  
"For over 60 years, Amboy has been a staple of the ever-changing Sayreville community. Our latest renovation will make banking easier, while we continue to bring our innovative products and quality service to the people of Sayreville," said Gregory Scharpf, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. "As part of our month-long promotion, we're offering a great Home Equity rate and a cash bonus with our Advantage Banking package of enhanced products, preferred rates and complimentary services."  
*Founded in 1888, Amboy Bank, a full-service commercial bank with 22 offices in central New Jersey, prides itself on quality service and responsiveness. They have been voted "Best Bank in Central Jersey" for the past 20 years in a row.*

## Dowdell Library of South Amboy – Fall Photo Contest Share your Photos of South Amboy's Dynamic Businesses!

SOUTH AMBOY - The Dowdell Library of South Amboy invites avid shutterbugs to enter the library's Fall Photo Contest. Celebrate our community through the art of photography, and contribute to the Library's local history picture collection.  
All photo entries must feature a SOUTH AMBOY BUSINESS. The submission should be a clearly identifiable image of an interior or exterior place of business.  
Photographs should be taken between September 1 and October 31 and submitted by November 15, 2018. Contestants may submit up to five high resolution DIGITAL images to: [comments@dowdell.org](mailto:comments@dowdell.org); open to amateur photographers only.  
Please include the location of the photograph, the date the photograph was taken, your name, and contact information.  
Important photo release! Photographs that contain recognizable people must be accompanied by a release form signed

by each person photographed. If individuals are under the age of eighteen, their parent or legal guardian must sign the photo release.  
Awards will be based on artistic distinction and historical value. Awards will be presented for the best "South Amboy" photograph, the Runner-up, and one for the best "architectural" photograph. Winners will be announced at the library's HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE on Monday, December 3 at 7:30 pm.  
By entering the contest, participants allow the library to use the images in library publications, their website/social media or in future exhibits; photographers will be credited.  
For further details, please contact the Dowdell Library of South Amboy at 732-721-6060 or [comments@dowdell.org](mailto:comments@dowdell.org). The Library is located off John T. O'Leary Blvd – adjacent to the South Amboy High School.

**Central Jersey Charity BeerFest**  
WOODBIDGE - Taste New Jersey's finest local handcrafted beers at the 12th Annual Central Jersey Charity BeerFest on Sat., Sept. 22 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Parker Press Park in downtown Woodbridge. Sponsored by the J.J. Bitting Brewing Company of Woodbridge, the Central Jersey BeerFest is bigger and better than ever - with more New Jersey breweries offering specialty brews, live music and entertainment, food vendors, and a whole lot more. Admission for the festival is \$30.00 for adult "beer samplers" and \$15 for "non-beer samplers." Children under 12 are free. Admission includes a two-ounce official BeerFest sampler glass and free parking. Contact J.J. Bitting Brewing Company at 732-634-2929 or log-on to the Woodbridge Township web page at: [www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us](http://www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us). All proceeds benefit local charity.

## School of Rock Clark's House Band

Press Release 9/20/18  
WOODBIDGE - Join us for a special acoustic set @ the Woodbridge Main Library with the School of Rock - Clark's House Band on Thursday, October 11, 2018 at 7 p.m.  
The School of Rock – Clark's House Band consists of the school's top student ambassadors. Touring on stages across the nation from Nashville, Memphis, Philly and NYC, these players represent their most dedicated and experienced musicians. Not only do they tour each summer, but they also perform for local music festivals, charity events and street fairs. To learn more about their house band, follow them on Facebook @ facebook.com/schoolofrockclark) and on Instagram @schoolofrockclark.  
This program is free and open to all. Come out and support these awesome young performers!  
The Woodbridge Main Library is located at 1 George Frederick Plaza, Woodbridge, NJ. For more information please call the Library @ 732-634-4450 or visit us online @ <http://woodbridgelibrary.org/>

## Museum Pass Program

PERTH AMBOY - The Friends of the Perth Amboy Free Public Library have generously provided FREE passes to some of the area's most popular museums! Museum passes offer a great way for family and friends to experience educational and cultural fun.  
Picking Up and Returning Passes: Passes can be picked up at the Circulation Desk. Patron must present the library card under whose name the pass was reserved. Only Adult patrons whose cards are in good standing will be able to check out Museum Passes. Passes are good for a total of three days and are **NOT** renewable. Passes can be returned at the Circulation Desk or at the Book Drop after hours.  
Late, Lost or Unreturned Passes: There will be a \$5 amount late fee each day the pass is past due. The maximum fine will not exceed \$25.00. Passes not returned within 14 days after the due date, will be presumed lost and borrowers charged the full replacement cost.  
Replacement costs for items are as follows: **Lost museum pass:** Full cost of the pass. Replacement costs vary according to the museum and listed on the catalog record for each museum. **Pass Case:** \$1  
**Museum Passes available:**  
• **American Museum of Natural History**, New York, NY | free admission and 1 free exhibit or show  
• **Grounds for Sculpture**, Hamilton NJ | pass admits 4 people  
• **Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum**, New York, NY | pass admits 6 people  
Sponsored by the Friends of Perth Amboy Free Public Library. [www.folperthamboy.com](http://www.folperthamboy.com)  
For more information, please call the Perth Amboy Free Public Library: 732-826-2600.

## Indoor Flea Market & Yard Sale

PERTH AMBOY - October 13, 2018 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (Rain or Shine) Hungarian Reformed Church Center Corner of Kirkland Pl & Fayette St., Perth Amboy. Tables are 1 for \$20 or 2 for \$30. "Many tables with many treasures" New and Used items!! Food Available. For more info call 732-521-1017 or call the church directly at 732-442-7799.

## Super 50/50

SOUTH AMBOY - The South Amboy Elks, 601 Washington Rd, South Amboy are having a Super 50/50 Drawing. Drawing Date: Friday, October 12, 2018 at 8 p.m. \$10 Donation. 1st Prize: 70% of half the proceeds; 2nd Prize: 20% of half the proceeds; 3rd Prize: 10% of half the proceeds. Do not have to be present to win. No substitution of the offered price may be made. For more info call 732-727-7170. NJ LGCCCC ID#444629541; RL #17-2018.

## Fall into Business, Cooking, Photography, Reading, Halloween, And More At The Dowdell Library

Press Release  
SOUTH AMBOY — Autumn is a season of returns: students go back to school, leaves flutter to earth, and South Amboy citizens flock to the Sadie Pope Dowdell Public Library. From aspiring entrepreneurs and photographers to creatively costumed kids and, of course, avid readers, the Dowdell has something for everybody!  
Swing by on Monday, October 1, at 10am for our New Jersey Sales and Online Business Workshop. Presented by the New Jersey Division of Taxation in tandem with the State Library, this free 100-minute seminar provides local business owners and entrepreneurs with a comprehensive overview of the Garden State's sales tax laws and practices. Topics covered include taxable products and services; sales tax inside and outside New Jersey; protocol for shipping products; methods for collecting New Jersey sales tax; and tutorials on filing sales and use tax returns. Registration is required—contact the library to reserve a seat!  
Teen Read Week runs October 9 through October 15, and patrons ages 13 through 19 are encouraged to enter the Dowdell's annual Ruined Book Contest! Simply take a book title—say, The Hunger Games—and add a word to "ruin" it—say, The Hunger Games Diet. At the end of the contest period, the library's elementary and middle school students will vote for their favorite, and the winner will take home a spectacular prize! One entry per patron per day  
Cook up something new scrumptious at the library's bi-monthly Culinary Workshops!

## Hardy Mum Sale

SOUTH AMBOY - Sacred Heart Altar Rosary Society. Large Colorful Mums in 8" pots, \$5 ea. or 3 for \$12. Saturday 9/22/18 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. & Sunday 9/23/18 from 6:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fall plants in front of Memorial Hall, 531 Washington Ave., across from Sacred Heart Church. Plenty of Parking. Call Virginia: 732-721-1521 for more info.

## Buffet Breakfast

SOUTH AMBOY – The South Amboy Elks, 601 Washington Rd. is having a Buffet Breakfast on Sunday, Sept. 30th from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The menu includes: pancakes, scrambled eggs, breakfast meats, baked egg dishes, potatoes, sweet treats, assorted breads, coffee, tea, and juice. Adults: \$9.00; Under 8 yrs: \$5.00. All you can eat served buffet. For more information call: 732-727-7170.

Bring in your kids on October 18 or 25 between 3:30 pm and 4:30 pm and watch them make their very own chocolate spider doughnuts. It's sure to be an arachnid good time!  
Halloween only comes once a year, but your friends at the Dowdell are celebrating twice! First, get into spooktacular spirits at our Annual Halloween Costume Party. This year's event, which runs from 3:45 pm to 5 pm on October 22, will also feature a special Celebrity Storytime with South Amboy City Councilman Mickey Gross! Just one week later, on October 31, steer clear of goblins and ghouls (and food allergies!) by trick-or-treating at your local library!  
We encourage all local shutterbugs to enter the library's ongoing Local Business Photo Contest, which is accepting entries through November 15. Amateur photographers are encouraged to submit up to five high-resolution digital images featuring a clearly identifiable South Amboy business via email to [comments@dowdell.com](mailto:comments@dowdell.com). (Be sure to specify the location of your photo, the date it was taken, and your name and contact information in your message.) Awards for Best Photograph, Runner-Up, and Best Architectural Photograph will be announced at the library's Holiday Open House on Monday, December 3 at 7:30pm.  
Comments, queries, compliments, concerns? Please visit [www.dowdell.org](http://www.dowdell.org), or contact the Library at 732-721-6060 or [comments@dowdell.org](mailto:comments@dowdell.org). The library is located off John O'Leary Blvd, adjacent to South Amboy Middle High School.



## Medicare Workshop

Press Release 9/20/18

WOODBIDGE - On Tuesday, October 16 at 6:30 pm, the Woodbridge Main Library will welcome Justin Lubenow and Michael Salum of Senior Advisors. At this free workshop you will learn:

- What's Changed?
- 5 Biggest Mistakes Made by Most Medicare Beneficiaries.
- Original Medicare versus Medicare Advantage Plans.
- How do Medicare Supplement Policies Work?
- How do Medicare Prescription Drug programs work?
- When must you sign-up for Medicare to avoid late enrollment penalties and coverage gaps?

Senior Advisors is family owned and operated since 2009. They have over 20,000 Medicare Clients across 22 different states. Their top priority at Senior Advisors is to reduce stress for Medicare beneficiaries, by providing education, an overview of the choices available, and making recommendations for reach individual's coverage.

This program is free and open to all. Registration is required. Please call 732-634-4450 to register or register online @ <http://woodbridgelibrary.org/>

The Woodbridge Main Library is located at 1 George Frederick Plaza, Woodbridge, NJ.

## 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Tricky Tray & 50/50 Raffle

PERTH AMBOY – Sunday, October 7, 2018 at Saint John Paul II Parish, St. Stephen's School, 500 State St., Perth Amboy, NJ 08861. Doors Open at 12:30 p.m.; Drawing starts at 2:30 p.m. For more information call 732-826-1395. Over 300 Prizes. Cash Bar (No Outside Alcohol Permitted). At the Door Costs: Admission \$20 (includes: buffet, dessert, coffee, one ticket for a door prize & 1 sheet of 25 level one tickets.

Level 1/WHITE TICKETS: (prize value up to \$50) \$5/sheet of 25 tickets

Level 2/GREEN TICKETS: (prize value \$50-\$100) \$3/each, 6/\$10

Level 3/YELLOW TICKETS: (prize value \$100-\$200) \$5 each, 3/\$10

Special Prizes/ORANGE TICKETS: (prize value \$200-\$400) \$10 each, 3/\$20

Super Special Prize/BLUE TICKETS Approx. \$1000 value, 2 round trip airline tickets (Florida, Dominican Republic OR Puerto Rico) \$20 each, 3/\$50 PRE-EVENT TICKET BUNDLE AVAILABLE: NOW-PAY \$50 AND SAVE \$20! Before September 30, 2018. Contact Ana Maria to Get Bundles @ 732-485-9367. Bundle includes: LEVEL 1: 2 sheets (50 tickets); LEVEL 2: 12 tickets; LEVEL 3: 6 tickets; Special Level Prize: 3 tickets; Super Special Prize tickets available at the event only.

For more information call Ana Maria Zevallos @732-485-9367 or email: [azevallos@johnpaulsecond.com](mailto:azevallos@johnpaulsecond.com) or go to [www.johnpaulsecond.com](http://www.johnpaulsecond.com) I.D.# 387-1-39661; RL# 4162/4163

## Vendors Sought for Craft Fair

SOUTH AMBOY – Crafters, vendors and shoppers are needed for Sacred Heart Rosary Society's upcoming Craft and Vendor Fair on Saturday, November 3, 2018 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Memorial Hall across from Sacred Hart Church, 531 Washington Ave., South Amboy. No admission charge for shoppers or browsers. Food will be available. Helpers will offer assistance in carrying out your purchases. To reserve a table or for more information, call Janice: 732-309-8405 or Virginia: 732-721-1521.

## Vendor Night

SOUTH AMBOY – The South Amboy Columbiettes hold a Fall Vendor Night on Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Columbian Club at 308 Fourth St., South Amboy. Vendors are wanted. Please contact Cheryl at 732-407-3295 or [sa426ladies@yahoo.com](mailto:sa426ladies@yahoo.com)

## Caribbean Day Celebration

PERTH AMBOY/SCOTCH PLAINS – Come Celebrate with us! The Sons and Daughters of Anguilla's 2nd Annual Caribbean Day Celebration! Fun! Food! Family! Fun activities, games, and plenty of vendors! Steel Pan Music by: "Sterling". Jerseyland Park Community Center, 783 Jerusalem Road, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076 on September 29, 2018 from 12 noon to 6 p.m. Admission: \$10pp; Children 5 and under: Free admission. NO tickets sold at gate! Caribbean food & drinks will be sold! Bring you chairs and blankets! Tickets available at: [www.Eventbrite.com](http://www.Eventbrite.com) Anguilla Caribbean Day Celebration 2018; Contacts: Maureen: 732-731-9377 Joycelyn: 848-250-4223 Winnie: 732-763-6960 Ann: 848-203-6880 Brenda: 732-841-8295 Lisa: 908-397-7272 Russell: 908-472-3874 Curtis: 732-485-4664.

## Discover the Adventure - Join the Fun of Scouting

PERTH AMBOY - An Open House will be conducted on Thursday, September 27 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for interested youth and parents/guardians to join Scouting at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 188 Rector Street, Perth Amboy (across from church). Come out and be a part of fun activities Scouting offers such as fishing, hiking, camping, making new friends and learning important lessons for a lifetime. All youth from grades kindergarten through fifth can join Cub Scouts and all youth from grades sixth and up but has not reached age 18. For more information, call 973 714 3281 or email [javier.juarez@scouting.org](mailto:javier.juarez@scouting.org) Please visit [ppcbbsa.org](http://ppcbbsa.org) for additional information.

## Raritan Bay Cruisers Car Show

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

## LiteracyNJ ESL Tutor Training

FORDS - Imagine if you couldn't read a prescription, job application, bedtime story, or ballot. Become a volunteer literacy tutor and help adults improve their reading, writing, or English skills. Sign up now for our next tutor training class! You can make a difference! Classes are on Saturdays October 6, 13, 20 & 27 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. (must attend all 4 sessions) Location: Fords Branch Library; 211 Ford Ave. Fords, NJ 08863. To register: contact Melissa Bernstein at [mbernstein@literacynj.org](mailto:mbernstein@literacynj.org) or 732-906-5456. Registration fee: \$45.00.

## Maximizing Social Security Benefits

Press Release 9/17/18  
WOODBIDGE TOWNSHIP - Join us at the Woodbridge Main Library, October 15 at 7 p.m.; for an information session which will help attendees learn the ins and outs of Social Security. The session will explain— the history of Social Security, how the system is funded, how to become eligible for benefits, what ages you can start receiving benefits, how payment amounts are calculated, and steps you can take to maximize benefits for you and your family. In addition to this, our speaker Andy Panko, will cover relevant current events as it relates to Social Security and offer his thoughts on the future of the system.

Our speaker, Andy Panko has 18 years of professional experience at multiple large insurance companies, brokerages, and investment banking organizations. Andrew holds the Retirement Income Certified Professional ("RICP®") designation and is nearing completion of the requirements to earn the (Certified Financial Planner ("CFP®") designation. He has an undergraduate degree in finance from the University of Delaware and a Masters of Business Administration from Rutgers University. Furthermore, Andy had previously taught graduate-level finance courses as an adjunct lecturer for the Business School of Rutgers University.

All are welcomed to attend this free event! Registration is required to attend this event. Please call 732-634-4450 or visit [www.woodbridgelibrary.org](http://www.woodbridgelibrary.org) to register and to find out more information about the event.

## Tom's Tax Tips

### Are You Sharing

### Too Much Information Online?

*Courtesy of Tom Ploskanka C.P.A.*

In today's digital age, it is impossible to avoid the internet. Even if you don't have a computer and actively avoid social media, there is information about you in some corner of the web. Here are some tips to help you manage your digital footprint:

- **Actively manage your security settings.** Every app, social media site and web browser have multiple layers of privacy and security settings. When you download a new app or register with a new site, don't simply trust the default settings. Look through the options yourself to ensure you are comfortable with the level of privacy. One thing to watch for with apps on your phone is location settings. Some apps will track your location even when the app isn't running.
- **Protect your online image.** Career search firms now have strategies built entirely around recruiting through social media. According to LinkedIn, more than 20,000 companies use their platform to attract new talent. In addition to recruiting, human resource departments will vet prospective employees by reviewing social media profiles.

What you share and how you portray yourself on social media is extremely important to your career. Pay attention to what others post about you, as well. If you are uncomfortable with what they are sharing, have a conversation with them and ask that it be taken down.

- **Set boundaries for yourself.** According to the Pew Research Center, 74 percent of Facebook users visit the site on a daily basis. And 51 percent say they visit multiple times per day. Try to find the balance that allows you to enjoy connecting with others online, but doesn't negatively impact other parts of your life.

In addition to time spent, draw a bright line between what you consider shareable versus personal information. If you have these boundaries in mind when on social media, it will help you think critically before continuing to scroll or posting something.

- **Know your friends.** Having friends is fun. Having the wrong friends can be harmful and even dangerous. If you receive a friend request from someone you don't know, deny it. They might simply be trying to increase their friend count, but they could be looking to access personal data. Review your friends on every platform on a periodic basis, and don't fret about how many friends you have. Quality is much more important than quantity. The best defense of your private information is you. Having a plan and actively managing your online profiles is the best way to minimize the chance of your personal data falling into the wrong hands.

## The Haunting of Kearny Cottage

PERTH AMBOY - An exclusive reading of an original short story The Haunting of Kearny Cottage (and a few more if time allows) by Donald Gavron from his new collection Turn on The Dark. Light refreshments will be served. All ages welcome. Gavron's books will be available for sale and signing after the reading! Sunday, Oct. 14, 2018 at 2 p.m. at the Kearny Cottage, 63 Catalpa Ave.

## Fish & Chicken Fry

SAYREVILLE - The First Presbyterian Church of Sayreville will be having a Fish and Chicken Fry on Friday, October 19, 2018. Tickets are \$15.00 in advance and there are limited tickets available at the door. Chicken is available by advance order only. Takeouts will begin at 5:00 and dining room seating will be from 5:45-7:00pm. For tickets please call 732-257-6353 or e-mail: [churchoffice172@optimum.net](mailto:churchoffice172@optimum.net).

## SkillUp Middlesex

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# Academy for Urban Leadership Charter School selected Azan Waddell as Vice Principal

Press Release 9/4/18  
PERTH AMBOY - Completing its search for a new Vice Principal, the Academy for Urban Leadership Charter School District Board of Trustees is pleased to announce that Azan Waddell has been selected as the district's next Vice Principal effective on September 4, 2018.

The previous Vice Principal, Jeannie Paz, finished out her service AULCS on September 14, 2018. Ms. Paz's hard work and dedication has enabled a smooth transition for the program ensuring stability for the beginning of the school year for students, staff, families, and the community. We thank her for her service in ensuring the mission of AULCS has been at the forefront of all the work she has done.

Mr. Waddell received his baccalaureate from the University of Michigan, and completed his master's degree in Educational Leadership at the Montclair State University. He comes with 12 years of experience as an educator. His career began as a Teach for America corps member, serving the community of Newark. After completing his service with AmeriCorps and Teach for America, he remained in Newark serving as grade-level chairperson, lead teacher, mentor, basketball coach, and student advisor. After eight years of serving Newark, Mr. Waddell transitioned to the New Jersey Department of Education as a Field Manager

in the Office of Comprehensive Supports. During his four year tenure at the NJDOE, Mr. Waddell served in multiple roles including Manager of Instructional Technology, Manager of Formative Assessment, SIG and Race to the Top Grant Project Manager, and Program Manager for edConnectNJ.

"There were over 100 candidates who applied for the job and 16 candidates who were selected for face to face interviews. From there, 6 candidates were interviewed by board members, the vice principals, principal, students, graduates, and myself. We narrowed the field to 3 final candidates who were given a performance task in observing and evaluating a lesson utilizing the Danielson Framework," Erin Mulligan-Pierre, Chief School Administrator explained. "Mr. Waddell came out as the top candidate and we are thrilled at the experience he will add to our district and his commitment to social justice and education."

"I am immensely delighted to join the AUL community and see it as a privilege to be given this opportunity to assist in improving the educational outcomes of our students," Mr. Waddell stated. "I'm looking forward to working with the staff and community in engaging the critically important work to ensure our students receive a high quality educational experience."

## South Amboy Fall City Wide Yard Sale

SOUTH AMBOY – Fall City Wide Yard Sale - Saturday, October 6, 2018 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Rain or shine. All South Amboy residents can participate at no cost. \*Not Required, but if you are interested in participating and registering your address, a list of participants will be made available to perspective shoppers. Registration deadline: Wednesday, October 3, 2018. To register or for more information, please contact Jaclyn at [kellyj@southamboynj.gov](mailto:kellyj@southamboynj.gov) or call 732-727-1683.

## First Aid Course

PERTH AMBOY - Hackensack Meridian Health Raritan Bay Medical Center-Perth Amboy, is holding a First Aid course Wednesday, September 26, 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. in Centennial Hall A, 530 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy, NJ. Learn basic first aid training to manage many medical and traumatic injuries. Participants will practice using gloves, bandaging, and using an Epinephrine pen (trainer). Cost is \$80.00 per person. Registration required, call Mary at 732-324-5393, email [michelle.norek@hackensackmeridian.org](mailto:michelle.norek@hackensackmeridian.org) or call 1-800-560-9990 (reference zip code 08861).

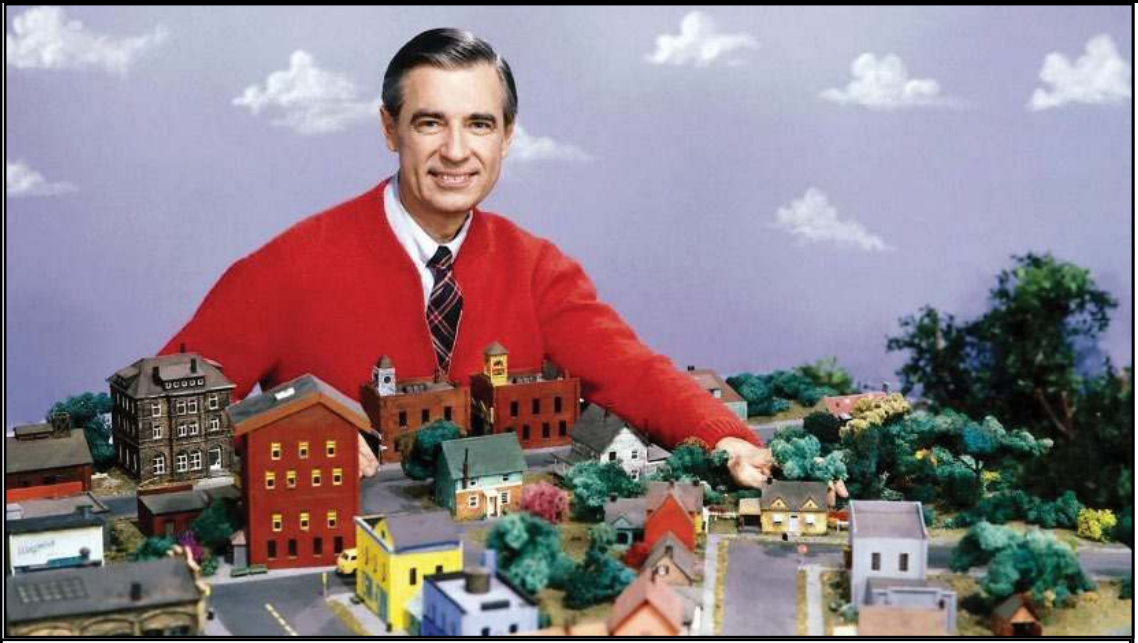
## Paint and Sip

PERTH AMBOY - Assumption Catholic School is hosting a Paint and Sip Party on Thursday, Oct. 18, 2018 This is an **adult only** event sponsored by Provident Bank. 100% of the proceeds will go directly to benefit Assumption Catholic School. The event starts promptly at 6:30 p.m. and wine, cheese, and crackers will be served. \$25pp. Please call the office to purchase tickets: 732-826-0767.

## Tricky Tray

HOPELAWN - Good Shepherd Parish at Most Holy Rosary Church, 625 Florida Grove Rd. in the Hopelawn section of Woodbridge, NJ will be hosting a Tricky Tray Auction in Msgr. Gambino Hall on Sunday, October 21, 2018. Admission is \$15, which includes 25 Level 1 tickets, coffee and dessert. Adults only. Hall is handicapped accessible. Doors open at 12 noon and drawing will begin at 2 p.m. There are 5 levels of prizes plus grand prizes including Broadway Show tickets and Vacation Accommodations. Advanced ticket sale special available before 10/2/18. Currently taking reservations for tables of 6 or more. For more information and tickets, please contact Marie at 732-442-6916 (before 10/2) or the Parish Office at 732-826-4859 or by email at [gstrickytray@gmail.com](mailto:gstrickytray@gmail.com).

### Documentary Review: Won't You Be My Neighbor



By: Anton Massopust III

Take everything you know about children's television and forget about it. That's Mister Rogers' Neighborhood.

In the new documentary, "Won't You Be My Neighbor," about Mr. Rogers, we learn about one of the guiding forces to many children and helping their development. The documentary covers interesting aspects that you didn't know about the children's television personality. Fred Rogers was going to become a minister but took a vacation before being ordained. He then discovered a little thing called television and decided it could be a great tool for childhood education. Before returning to the Seminary, he got involved in public television in Pittsburgh. He was the first to do an educational kids' program without fancy masks and jumping through hoops. He introduced everyone to Daniel Tiger, who in many ways was his alter ego. Mr. Rogers voiced all 10 puppets including King Friday, X the Owl, Lady Elaine Fairchild, Henrietta Pussycat, etc.

We also find out a lot about Mister Rogers backstory. As a small boy, he was very ill and spent a lot of time inside while everyone else was playing. When he developed Mister Rogers Neighborhood, he tackled hard subjects that no other television show would touch with a ten-foot pole. These subjects included racism, death, war, assassination, etc. As a Minister, he preached in his own way. He felt that children needed to hear the truth about these subjects and he never talked down to kids.

Mr. Rogers single-handedly saved PBS programming when President Nixon wanted to cut their budget to divert the funds to the Vietnam War. The rest of it, I'll let you discover on your own. This is a well-made wonderful documentary. It's told through interviews and footage that Fred Rogers made throughout his career. There were interviews with his castmates, his sons, and his widow. Keep a big box of tissues handy. It's very heartfelt and moving. We need more people like Fred Rogers today.

## Movies @ Main: True Stories

WOODBIDGE - On September 7 the Woodbridge Main Library will begin a new film series scheduled Friday afternoons at 2 p.m. that will feature films based on true stories. The first movie is *Patriots Day*, a depiction of the 2013 Boston Marathon bombing starring Boston native Mark Wahlberg.

*I Can Only Imagine*, an inspiring drama about a father-son relationship that is the basis of the song "I Can Only Imagine," will be shown on September 28, followed by *Marshall*, a biographical film depicting the life of the first African-American Supreme Court Justice. On October 12 we will present *Chappaquiddick*, a dramatic film about the 1969 fatal car accident in Massachusetts. The following week we will show the war drama, *The Darkest Hour* on October 19. This film, with Gary Oldman in his a Best Actor performance, depicts Winston Churchill during the early days of World War II. Our series concludes on October 26 with *Adrift*, the true story of Tami Oldham and Richard Sharp's heartbreaking adventure at sea.

Our films are sponsored by the Friends of the Libraries of Woodbridge Township.

Light refreshments are provided by the Woodbridge Library Foundation. Films are free and open to all.

The Woodbridge Public Library is located at 1 George Frederick Plaza, Woodbridge, NJ.

## Bunco Night

SAYREVILLE – Bunco Night, Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus, 775 Washington Rd, Parlin. \$10 donation. Presented by the Friends of the Sayreville Public Library to benefit the Museum Pass Program.

## ESL Literacy Registration Fall 2018

Press Release 8/16/18  
WOODBIDGE TOWNSHIP - English as a Second Language (ESL) conversation groups and beginning instruction will be offered at all Woodbridge Township Libraries from September 2018 through May 2019. Instruction and ESL Conversation Group leaders will be provided in partnership with LiteracyNJ, (<https://literacynj.org/>), a statewide literacy services provider.

In-person registration is required for a fifteen week series of Conversation Group classes that will be held at the Iselin Branch Library, the Henry Inman Branch Library and the Main Library. Also available to English language learners will be Beginning ESL group instruction at the Fords Branch Library.

For more information about ESL classes at Woodbridge Public Libraries, LiteracyNJ or classes offered in the area, please contact Melissa Bernstein of LiteracyNJ, 732-906-5456, [mbernstein@literacynj.org](mailto:mbernstein@literacynj.org).

## Cruise Nights on Broadway

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

## The Morgan Explosion Centennial

PISCATAWAY – There will be a presentation on the Morgan Explosion Centennial with Author Randall Gabrielan on Thursday, Oct. 4, 2018 at 7 p.m. at the Rutgers Visitor Center, 100 Sutphen Rd, Piscataway. On the evening of October 4, 1918, an explosion occurred at the T.A. Gillespie Company Shell Loading Plant in Morgan, New Jersey. The chain reaction that occurred left hundreds dead, buildings destroyed and many homeless. Join us for a presentation on the 100th anniversary of the tragedy. Free event and parking. Text CULTURE to 56512 for more details or go to [www.middlesexcountynj.gov](http://www.middlesexcountynj.gov) The Cornelius Low House will be open until 6:30 p.m.



Memorial Service Commemorating One Year Anniversary of Hurricane Maria, City Hall Circle, Perth Amboy 9/19/18  
\*Photos by Paul W. Wang & Carolyn Maxwell



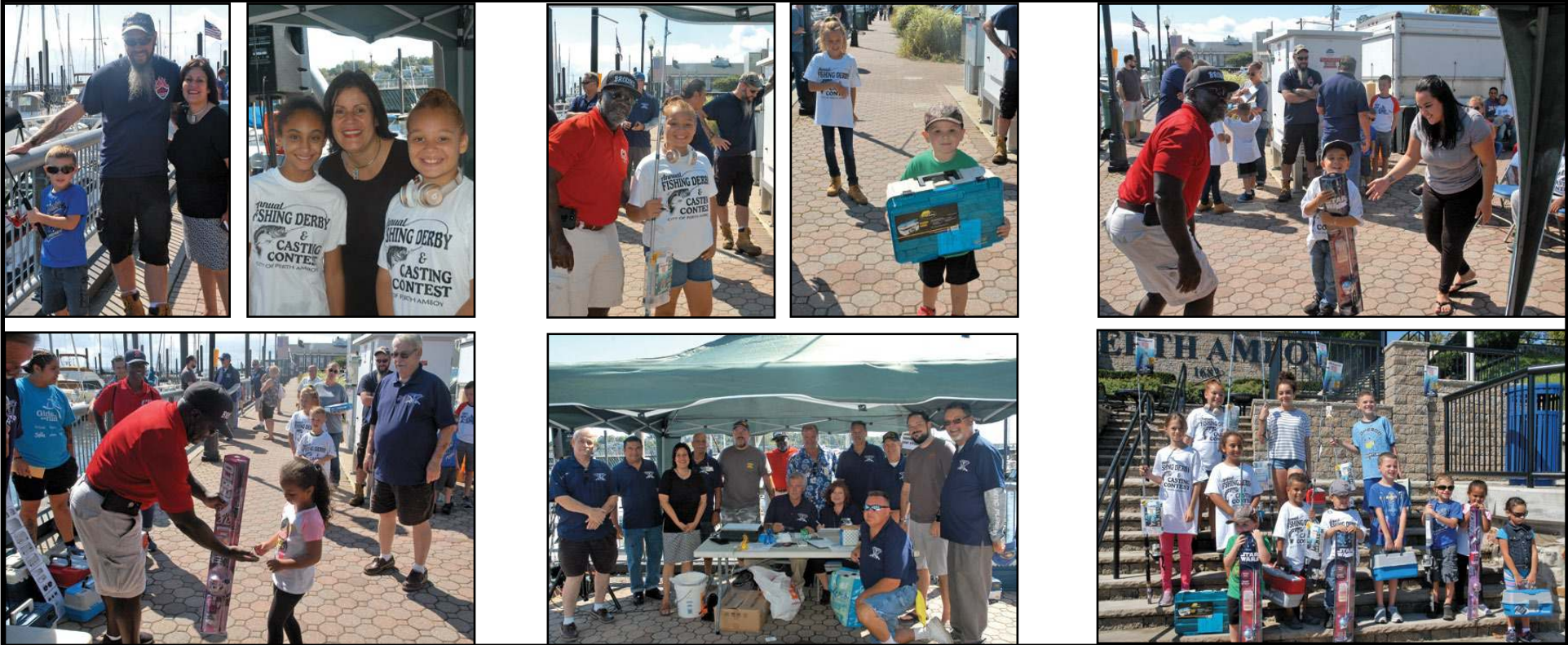
PERTH AMBOY - During the program, Mayor Wilda Diaz and Congressman Frank Pallone recounted the experiences they had when they visited Puerto Rico. (See Dec. 13, 2017 issue of the Amboy Guardian.). Two of the most moving speeches were made by Yaitza Domenech, Puerto Rico Resident displaced by Hurricane Maria Translated by Tashee Vasquez. Ms. Domenech had to describe the devastation on the island to her four children, all who are special needs, three who are blind. She was very grateful that she was able to find the needed assistance (placing children in school, finding an apartment) with the help of Tashee Vasquez when she relocated to Perth Amboy.

Even though I could not understand what she was saying, you can tell by the tone of her voice how grateful she was that she made the right decision coming to Perth Amboy.

The second person who spoke passionately was Perth Amboy Police Sergeant Ralph Pineiro. He, along with other officers of Perth Amboy went over to help residents of Puerto Rico. "There were about 150 officers from New Jersey which included State Troopers who flew down to Puerto Rico to help distribute supplies to the residents. When we were on the airplane looking at Puerto Rico, as we got closer to the ground, it looked almost like ground zero. Upon our arrival (myself and other officers from Perth Amboy), we were met at a hotel by the New Jersey State Police who had to go over safety procedures with us. We could not even see our relatives who live in Puerto Rico, which was hard, because I have 8 aunts over there. Each officer worked 14 hour shifts for 14 days. I remember seeing long lines for people just to get ice. There was an old lady in a wheelchair who had waited in hours for ice. By the time she got to the front, the allotment for the day was gone. I had to beg them to give me some ice to give to her. We were given MRE's (meals ready to eat). I remember instances where people would beg us for food and we would give them our MRE's. I'm still in touch with some of the officers I met from New Jersey when I was there. Before leaving, I was able to contact 3 of my relatives."

The ceremony concluded with the wreath presentation and the raising of the Puerto Rican flag.

Fishing Derby, Perth Amboy Waterfront 9/15/18 \*Photos by Paul W. Wang





***This Week in World War II  
75 Years Ago***

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

Now back in northern Italy, Benito Mussolini on September 24 announces the establishment of the Italian Social Republic, with himself as head of state and prime minister. Although il Duce declares Venice as the capital, his office and other government bureaus are in the small town of Salò, on Lake Garda in Lombardy, midway between Milan and Venice. The “Republic” cedes direct control of some of its northern areas to Germany. The Salò Republic, as the German puppet state is often called, relies on the Nazis for funding. In Papua New Guinea, Australian troops capture the airport at Finschhafen, 60 miles east of Lae.

On the Eastern Front, the Red Army takes Smolensk, Russia, an important city west of Moscow, on September 25. Other elements of the Red Army reach the outskirts of Kiev, the capital of Ukraine. The German High Command issues orders for the removal from military service of any person who has two Jewish, or otherwise non-Aryan, grandparents.

Maj. Herbert Kappler, the SS officer in charge of German-occupied Rome, delivers an ultimatum on September 26 to the city’s Jewish community: Deliver 220 pounds of gold and 110 million Italian *lire* to SS headquarters within 36 hours or face deportation to concentration camps. Upon an appeal for help from Israel Zolli, Rome’s chief rabbi, Pope Pius XII orders the Vatican treasury to provide the remainder of gold needed to meet the ransom demand. In South America, the U.S. Navy establishes a base of operations at Natal, Brazil.

The second of two heavy air raids against Wewak, Papua-New Guinea, is conducted on September 27 by the 5th USAAF, with 64 Japanese planes and seven ships destroyed. Over 100 Japanese planes had been destroyed during the first attack, in the previous month. In the Solomons, the Japanese begin withdrawing from Kolombangara. In Europe, elements of the British Eighth Army capture Foggia, in southern Italy, and its surrounding airfields without resistance. This puts Allied pilots within range of southern Germany, Poland and the Balkans.

September 28 marks the second day of the so-called “Four Days of Naples.” Residents — angered and frustrated by continual, heavy, devastating Allied bombing raids over their German-held city and anticipating the approach of the Allies — rise against their occupiers. The uprising — by members of the Italian Resistance along with ordinary citizens — results in fierce fighting. Some 170 Resistance members die, along with up to 560 civilians, versus 55-95 Germans killed. The *Wehrmacht* was withdrawing from Naples anyway, but the uprising hastens the retreat and prevents the Germans from posting a rearguard defense against the Allies, who arrive on October 1. In Occupied Denmark, Georg Duckwitz, a German diplomat, secretly warns Danish Resistance leaders of an SS order to shortly begin arresting and deporting the kingdom’s Jews. Over the next weeks, Danes assist most of the country’s 8,000 Jews in eluding arrest; Danish fishermen ferry over 7,200 Jews and some 800 non-Jewish family members to neutral Sweden, where they are given safe haven in an arrangement made by Duckwitz with the Swedish government.




In Italy, the Allies take Pompeii, between Salerno and Naples, on September 29. Aboard the British battleship *HMS Nelson* in the Grand Harbour of Valletta, Malta, Italy’s prime minister, Marshal Pietro Badoglio, and U.S. Gen. Dwight Eisenhower, Allied commander of the Mediterranean Theater of Operations, secretly meet for the signing of a full and final armistice between Italy and the Allies. The two also discuss war plans.

Sumner Welles, friend and confidante of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, resigns abruptly as Undersecretary of State on September 30. Officially, the reason given is policy differences between Welles and Secretary of State Cordell Hull over relations with pro-Axis governments in Latin America. The actual reason is the threat by former ambassador (to the Soviet Union and to France) William Bullitt — who hungers for Welles’s job — to expose Welles’s homosexuality. FDR never forgives Bullitt, banning him from holding any further government post and even refusing him permission to seek a commission in the U.S. Army. (Bullitt ends up joining the Free French forces under de Gaulle.)

On the Eastern Front, the Red Army has pushed the Germans back to the Dniepr River and has established five bridgeheads across the river in its push westward.

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Before Your Event**

### Pets of the Week



Hi. We're Mandy, Petey and Colin & we're playful, cuddly kittens in need of a home. We were born June 17. Please ADOPT US and take us home. ADOPT. SPAY. NEUTER. LOVE. Adoption application & donation fee apply. Text 1.732.486.6382 to ADOPT. All for the Paws P. O. Box 2281 Perth Amboy, NJ 08862 Allforthepaws.org Paypal Allforthepaws@gmail.com

***Have a Special Pet?***  
**E-mail us your Pet Photos to AmboyGuardian@gmail.com with Pet of the Week in the Subject line and explain why your pet is special. Please include Name and Phone# for verification.**

### A.C. Bus Trip Holy Rosary Seniors

HOPELAWN – The Holy Rosary Seniors are sponsoring a bus trip to Golden Nugget Casino, Atlantic City, NJ, Tuesday October 2, 2018. Bus leaves 10 a.m. from church parking lot. Cost \$30; \$25 back in play and \$5 food voucher. For any questions, call Ronnie at 732-442-5252.

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

PERTH AMBOY – A trip to the Resorts Casino in Atlantic City will be held on Wed. Sept. 26, 2018. Cost \$35 pp.; \$25 back in slot play. Bus will depart from behind St. Stephens Church parking lot on Mechanic Street at 9:30 a.m. Call Bobbi to reserve a seat: 732-636-2867.

### Atlantic City Bus Trip

*Fellowship Circle of the Hungarian Reformed Church*

PERTH AMBOY – AC Bus Trip to the Tropicana Casino on Sunday, Sept. 30, 2018. Sponsored by the Fellowship Circle of the Hungarian Reformed Church, 331 Kirkland Place, Perth Amboy, NJ. Bus leaves the church at 12:00 pm - 6 hour stay at Casino from when we arrive in AC. Cost: \$30 pp (\$25 slot play). Bagged lunch provided. To reserve a seat call: 732-261-8726. Payment due ASAP. NO REFUND FOR LAST MINUTE CANCEL-LATIONS!

### Remembering Patti Page

SOUTH AMBOY – The Sacred Heart Seniors are sponsoring an outing Wednesday September 26<sup>th</sup> to Lakeside Manor Route 36 Hazlet to see the musical tribute to legendary singer Patti Page. Cost of \$70 includes the show plus lunch. Transportation will be on your own. For more information call Judy at 732-727-0154.

### Mentors Wanted

MIDDLESEX COUNTY/FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP - Catholic Charities is seeking volunteer mentors. Both male and female mentors are needed to participate in one-to-one activities and be a role model to young people. Do you:

1. Have a minimum of three hours per week to offer a child?
2. Like having fun?
3. Reside in or near Middlesex County or Franklin Township?
4. Want to make a difference in a child's life?

Contact Jeanette Cullen at (732) 738-1323 or jcullen@ccdom.org, for more information.



***Butterflies!!!***  
PERTH AMBOY – There will be a lecture on butterflies on Sunday, September 30, 2018 at 2 p.m. at the Kearny Cottage by Noelle Zaleski.

Noelle Zaleski is a resident of Perth Amboy. Noelle is a professional photographer that loves nature photography, gardening, hiking and most of all being outdoors exploring her natural surroundings.

Noelle has been raising monarch butterflies for over 5 years. She has learned about the many needs of the Monarch Butterfly, from finding eggs, to feeding caterpillars, to releasing them in to the wild as butterflies.

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- TUES. Sept. 25 Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.
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- WED. Sept. 26 Good Shepherd Wednesday Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Msgr. Gambino Hall, Florida Grove Rd.
- St. Stephen's Seniors, 1 p.m., Cafeteria, State St.
- THURS. Sept. 27 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
- MON. Oct. 1 St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.
- TUES. Oct. 2 Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.
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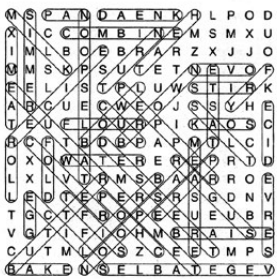
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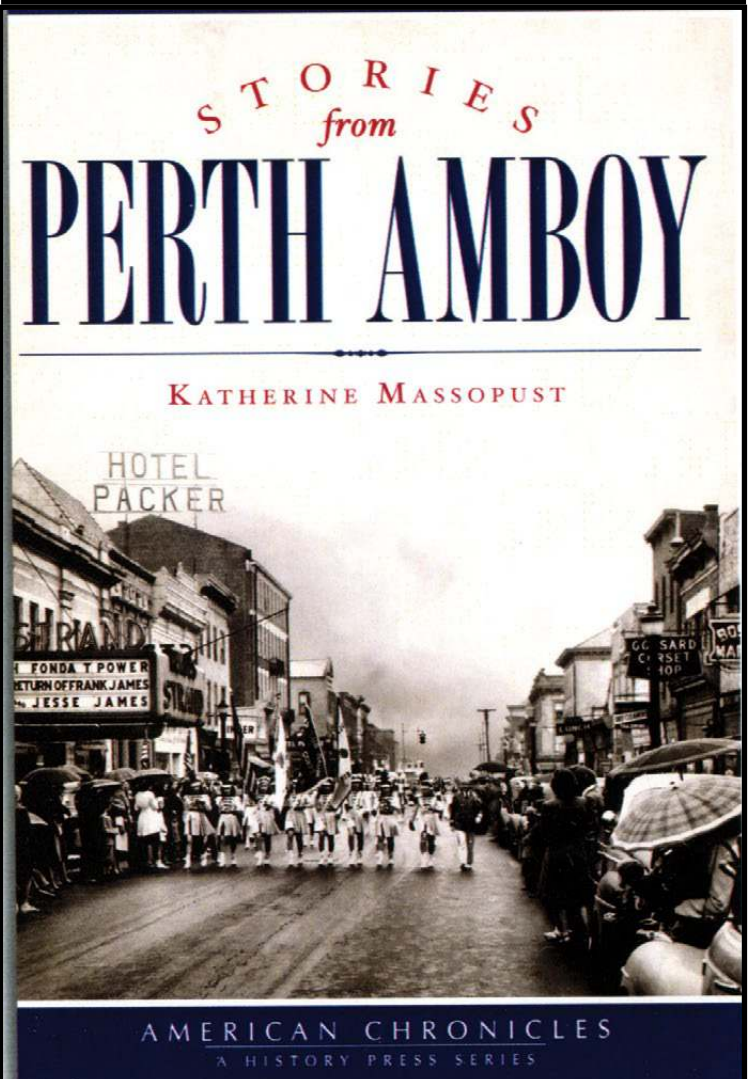
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PERTH AMBOY - Five Corners circa 1900

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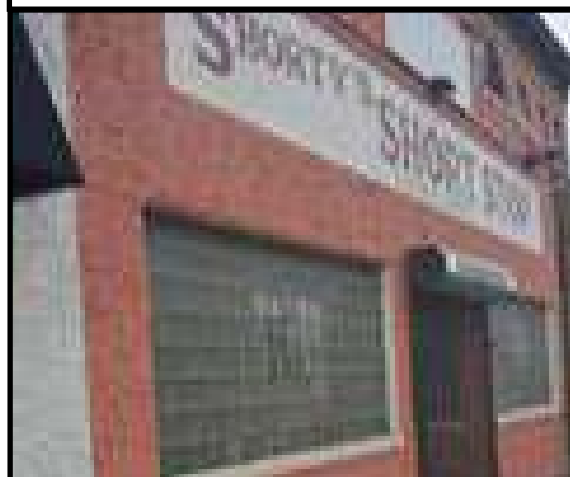
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