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A Potpourri of Topics 3/7/19 Board of Education Meeting



Perth Amboy AFT Teachers and Staff protest at the 3/7/19 Board of Education Meeting at McGinnis School *Photos by Katherine Massopust



A banner stating "Concerns are not Fairy Tales or Fables" the Perth Amboy AFT carried during their protest

By: Katherine Massopust

PERTH AMBOY – The location of the 3/7/19 Board of Education Meeting was changed from Perth Amboy High School to McGinnis School. There were several presentations at the Meeting. The Student Representatives stated that the 2019 PAHS play is "9 to 5".

Mrs. M. J. McAdam gave a presentation of an overview on Student Safety, Data System and Harassment, Intimidations, Incidents, Trainings and Programs.

Sailing Team Coach Mr. Gary Signor gave a presentation on the Perth Amboy High School Sailing Team. "Each (of the team members) chose to face the ruthless water of the bay. They are learning lessons far beyond sailing. To experience something is the best teacher." Signor then quoted JFK stating: "We do these things not because they are easy, but they are hard." He thanked Barry Rosengarten for donating the sailboats for the sailing team. A short video on the Sailing Team followed.

Board Vice-President Tashi Vasquez remarked about the sailing team, "A lot of students go on to college and do not have what other students have. Now

you can say that you were on a sailing team in our beautiful Waterfront."

Mr. Signor then highlighted one of the Sailing Team Members, Patrick Ponce Jr. who is a Rubik's Cube Champion. At the Meeting, Patrick gave a demonstration of solving the Rubik's Cube with lightening speed both two-handed and one-handed. At one-point Patrick held the world's record for solving the Rubik's Cube (4.241 seconds - two-handed).

Ms. Carmen Southward, District Director of Operations came up to speak about Woman's Day of Celebration in honor of March being Woman's History Month. Two students from Perth Amboy High School visited the School Development Authority Building in Trenton. Ms. Southward stated, "Women have come a long way over the years, now having the right to vote and own property, but there still many inequalities. She showed a photo on the screen of the two students in Trenton by a picture of an artist's rendition of the new Perth Amboy High School. "It's on the SDA Twitter page. We toured the building

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Resolutions, Budgets, Grants & Remediation Topics of Discussion 3/6/19 Business Meeting

By: Carolyn Maxwell

SOUTH AMBOY – Councilman Thomas Reilly hesitated when it came to Resolution No. 56-2019 Waiver of reading in full of the Budget for the Fiscal Year ended December 31, 2019. He stated that he really had no opportunity to go over this, so he couldn't vote on it.

Mayor Fred Henry then explained, "On this resolution, items can be discussed (and changes can be made)."

B.A. Glenn Skarzynski explained, "This Resolution will be on the April Council Meeting (agenda)."

After this clarification, Reilly said he was okay voting for this as a first reading.

B.A. Skarzynski then told the Council Members that there had to be a change on the line item that read \$885,000 in capital funds. "\$800,000 will be capital funds. \$85,000 of that will be needed to cover a site remediation. The total will still come out to \$885,000."

Councilwoman Zusette Dato made a motion to approve Item Numbers R-56 and Council Vice-President Christine Noble seconded the motion. For R-57 Council Vice-President Noble made a motion to approve, and Councilwoman Dato seconded the motion.

B.A. Skarzynski then explained R-58 – A Resolution of Support for the City of South Amboy authorizing a Sustainable New Jersey Grant Application. "This has to do with Greenable Energy. It's an approval to fund a committee (to help make the City more environmentally friendly)."

On Resolution R-61 – Awarding a contract for the final ecological evaluation, remedial investigation, and L.S.R.P. services for the former South Amboy Sewage Treatment Plant Site. Skarzynski explained that we had an unpleasant surprise. "The DEP Study was never completed. There was an RFP put out so that the City could complete this by the DEP deadline or the City will be fined. This site is by the foot of Henry Street by the former Pump Station. We no longer own this site,

but since the remediation was first started by the City, we have to complete it."

During the Council Comments, Councilwoman Zusette Dato said she is looking forward to the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Council Vice-President Christine Noble reported that people in town were very happy with the job the DPW did during the last snowstorm, and she is also looking forward to the parade.

Councilman Tom Reilly spoke next and was happy to report about a new business opening up called Java Dave's. "This business is interested in participating in the business program." Reilly also said, "We have about ten businesses in the program that are offering discounts to our First Responders." He asked if the Responders all have ID cards (so they can show it to the businesses).

Skarzynski replied, "We'll make sure of that."

Reilly then questioned if the participating businesses need to have any kind of decals displayed so people know they are participating (in the discount program).

Skarzynski assured Reilly, "We will make sure something is displayed by the businesses."

B.A. Skarzynski then talked about the next addition of the South Amboy City Newsletter coming out. "We'll be offering our businesses a chance to advertise in it. We'll be mailing out the newsletter to our residents. City Services will be included and a breakdown on how our taxes are used. The Council can have a blurb included with their photos. Maybe we can have a group photo taken at the (St. Patrick's Day) parade."

Reilly then asked about the upcoming Government Week. "When will the Mayor speak at the school?"

Mayor Henry replied, "I have a couple of topics in mind to speak about."

Reilly then asked if kids will be coming to City Hall that week (for a tour).

Acting City Clerk Laura Kemble-Kalantsis replied, "Yes."

Reilly then went on to suggest that the Council Members have

a Meet 'n Greet at the Train Station that week. "It would be great for the commuters to talk to us and ask us questions. We could hand out the newsletters. We should pick a date that week."

Dato responded, "I think that would make people happy."

Council President Mickey Gross spoke up and said he did something similar for 20 years when he was campaigning with Cabriel.

Reilly continued, "We also need to recognize City residents and employees that week."

Mayor Henry then suggested, "We should do a resolution honoring anyone that we recognize (for community service, etc.)."

Reilly also suggested, "We should recognize the volunteers every year. We can send information to everyone involved and have this done at the April 17, 2019 Meeting." Reilly then reported that First Responders go to certain businesses all the time and those businesses should recognize them."

Skarzynski commented next, "The building at the corner of Broadway and John Street (the one whose part of the roof blew off during the last snowstorm) will be taken down on March 22nd or 23rd." He then spoke about the Ferry, "It's in its final design. We have digital signs by the schools on O'Leary Boulevard which will benefit our schoolchildren. A new tractor arrived to be used on our beach front for regrading the sand. Middlesex County will be repaving some of the County Roads."

Mayor Henry then spoke up, "The City will have a Beach Replenishment Plan."

Skarzynski spoke again, "Middlesex County College Students are doing a Beach Cleanup in April. We are compliant with the GIF (General Insurance Fund) and all of our employees are trained in CPR except for the Library Staff who will be getting the training soon. We're looking to get a pop-up tent with the City logo. This tent will also

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Resolutions, Budgets, Grants & Remediation Topics of Discussion

3/6/19 Business Meeting

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shelter people during inclement weather. The State Economic Agency will be coming to the City. There were 400 boxes of files that have been identified for shredding. Everything (records) will be digital. Venetian Care and Rehabilitation Center put in a macerator. The City Engineer said they need a grinder. We're meeting with Venetian to discuss this. Venetian has not paid the last bill."

Reilly then discussed a problem on a property on Main Street.

Council President Gross spoke up, "Somebody needs to see if they're in compliance."

Councilwoman Dato spoke up and said, "There still are a lot of trailers on that property."

Mayor Henry then added, "We can send someone to inspect this property."

Council President Mickey Gross spoke up and said, "I want every kid in this town from second grade up to learn how to swim. I want to make sure this goes through. I am adamant about this."

Reilly said, "I'm 110% behind you."

Gross continued, "All of our inspectors need ID's. We're going to have one big party at the Fireworks. The County also has money to help prisoners to clean up cities."

City Engineer Mark Rasimowicz spoke next, "I met with the NJDEP to get input on the Ferry. We would like to incorporate some of their ideas. We have a follow-up meeting with the State. There will be paving done on Stevens and Ridgeway and Washington Road by the Elks, also the Radford Ferry/Main Street. As far as the Hole in the Wall, the County is working with Conrail."

Mayor Henry spoke last and said, "The last couple of years we have had a zero increase in the budget. We've made good financial moves by the City. A lot of good things are happening and will continue to happen."

Councilman Brian McLaughlin was absent.

Statement Read by Perth Amboy AFT District Rep. Donna Tartza at the 3/7/19 Board of Education Meeting

PERTH AMBOY - Last month in an attempt to save face, Central Administration used this forum to minimize and discredit the concerns of the very staff that come to work every day to serve the children of the community.

Assistant Superintendent Chromey went as far as belittling our Union President Pat Paradiso likening her to an alarming hysterical fictional character. All because she spoke publicly in regards to situations concerning the health, safety and welfare of our staff and students. That inference is both demeaning and sexist and for that Pat deserves a public apology.

The director of personnel and evaluation focused on staff attendance and retention. This administration would like the public to believe that our staff members are abusing the days and not coming to work without reason. Keep in mind these days are either allotted through our collective bargaining agreement or permissible by state statute.

In addition, the President of the Board of Education read a letter that was full of inaccuracies with the intent to paint us in as selfish and greedy. The Superintendent made sure that letter was emailed to all families and staff members through the district website as well as mailed to our student's homes and select members of the community.

We are here to tell you we will not be intimidated by name calling, flawed data or inaccurate reports.

Our concerns are real, they are not fables or fairy tales. We will continue to make our voices heard, and our concerns addressed to insure our staff is treated fairly and our buildings are safe for both our students and ourselves.

Fish Fry

SOUTH AMBOY – The South Amboy Elks are having a Fish Fry Every Friday during Lent--Starts on March 8 to April 19 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at 601 Washington Ave. ALL FRESH FISH! We will be offering--Fish Platter, Shrimp Platter, Scallop Platter, Combo Platter, Fish Sandwich, Shrimp Cocktail, Steamed Clams and more. Your Choice: Fried or Broiled. All Dinners Include--French Fries, Coleslaw, Soup, Desert, Coffee and Tea. Take out Available. Look For our Weekly Menu on Facebook & Public TV. For more info call: 732-727-7170


Fish & Chicken Fry

HOPELAWN – Fish & Chicken Fry on Wednesday, March 27, 2019 at Good Shepherd Parish, Msg. Gambino Hall at Most Holy Rosary Church, 625 Florida Grove Rd., Hopelawn. Tickets sold at Parish Office or call Carol Mik at 732-826-2153. Take out 5:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Dinner served 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Adults: \$16; \$18 at the door (limited # of tickets). Children under 10: \$8. Sponsored by the Good Shepherd Rosary Altar Society. All proceeds will benefit Good Shepherd Parish.

Fish Fry

PERTH AMBOY - Perth Amboy Catholic School and St. John Paul II Parish are sponsoring a Fish Fry at the Perth Amboy Catholic School cafeteria at 500 State Street (Rear Entrance) on March 15 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Take-out will be available at 4:00 PM. Adult: \$10.00; Child: 5-10 Years: \$6.00. Ticket includes either Fried Fish or Perogies, Salad, and Choice of Two Sides, and Dessert and Coffee or Tea. \$1.00 Soda or Water. Wine and sangria will be available for purchase. Advanced ticket purchase suggested by Tuesday, March 12, 2019. For tickets, call the parish office at (732) 826-1395

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Perth Amboy, New Jersey Selected as Finalist for RWJF Culture of Health Prize

Community Improvement Efforts Recognized as Perth Amboy Advances in Prize Selection Process

Press Release 3/6/19

PERTH AMBOY - Perth Amboy, NJ was chosen as a finalist for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Culture of Health Prize. As a 2019 finalist, Perth Amboy is one step closer to the national Prize which honors communities that are bringing partners together around a shared commitment to health, opportunity, and equity.

Selected from nearly 200 applicant communities, Perth Amboy joins 11 other finalist communities from across the country. Winners will be announced this fall.

“We are pleased to advance

as a RWJF Culture of Health Prize finalist community. To the Perth Amboy community, this means being recognized for the outstanding effort our entire community has put into making a Healthier Perth Amboy,” said Steve Jobin, CEO of the Raritan Bay Area YMCA. “We believe we rose to finalist status because we recognized that there is tremendous strength in multi-sector collaboration and upstream investments.”

The Prize is guided by the principle that every community has the potential to leverage its unique strengths and assets to expand opportunities for resi-

dents to thrive. To become a finalist, Perth Amboy had to demonstrate how its efforts reflect the six Prize criteria:

- Defining health in the broadest possible terms.
- Committing to sustainable systems changes and policy-oriented long-term solutions.
- Creating conditions that give everyone a fair and just opportunity to reach their best possible health.
- Harnessing the collective power of leaders, partners, and community members.
- Securing and making the most of available resources.
- Measuring and sharing prog-

ress and results.

“These communities have set themselves apart by recognizing that health is about opportunity. It is connected to every element of our lives – good schools, safe and affordable housing, high-quality jobs that pay a fair wage and so much more,” said Richard Besser, MD, RWJF president and CEO. “In the coming months, we look forward to visiting each community to learn more about how it is working with local leaders and residents to shape solutions in all these areas that impact health.”

If selected as a Prize winner, Perth Amboy will be given a

\$25,000 cash prize and a national platform to share their story and lessons learned with the country. The community will join with other national and community change leaders, including past Prize winners, through the national Prize Alumni Network.

To learn about the work of the 39 previous Prize winners, visit www.rwjf.org/prize. If you have questions about the Y or the Culture of Health Initiatives of Perth Amboy please contact Steve Jobin, 732.442.3632.

Volunteers Needed

MIDDLESEX COUNTY - CASA of Middlesex County is seeking volunteers to advocate for children who have been abused or neglected. When a child is in foster care, having a CASA means they are more likely to find a permanent home, spend less time in foster care, and perform better in school. Champion one of these children from your community and safeguard a child's well-being through advocacy in the court today.

Join our next information session on Saturday, April 6th 10 a.m.-11 a.m. and learn what it takes to be an advocate and change a child's life forever.

RSVP to Nora Siklosi Szabo, at nora@casaofmiddlesexcounty.org

The event takes place at CASA of Middlesex County office, 77 Church Street, New Brunswick on Saturday, April 6th from 10 a.m.-11 a.m. For more information, go to: <http://www.casaofmiddlesexcounty.org/volunteer>

Tom's Tax Tips

Oh No! Your Tax Refund Is Now A Bill

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

If you are anticipating a nice refund this year, it may be a good idea to prepare yourself for a possible letdown. Many taxpayers will receive a smaller-than-expected refund and might even owe taxes to be paid by April 15. If this happens to you, here are some of the likely reasons:

- **Higher take-home pay.** Look at last year's W-2 and see how much was withheld for federal income tax. Now check this year's W-2. If it is lower, you will need a corresponding reduction in your tax obligation to get the same refund as last year. The good news? You've had more of your income available to you throughout the year. The bad news? Paying less tax each pay period can result in a lower refund or tax due at tax filing time
- **Withholding tables are not always accurate.** To help employers calculate the tax to withhold from each paycheck, the IRS revised withholding tax tables in February 2018 with a forecast of the impact of new tax legislation. While the IRS did its best to apply the tax law changes to the withholding tables, it did not correctly estimate every individual tax situation. Now, according to the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO), as many as 30 million taxpayers may not have had adequate withholdings for 2018.
- **Lower itemized deductions.** If you have similar itemized deductions this year as you did last year, they might not go as far as you think. This is because the state/property tax deduction is limited to \$10,000 and many other itemized deductions are no longer available. While standard deductions are now higher, those with unreimbursed employee expenses, or those living in high-tax states could see a negative impact on their tax obligation. These changes coupled with the repeal of the personal exemptions could lead to a surprising change in your tax obligation for 2018 and going forward.
- **Your state takes a different path.** Depending on the degree to which a state incorporates recent federal tax changes, you could see a big tax surprise on your state tax return. As a result, the non-profit Tax Foundation is anticipating that many taxpayers will experience an increase in state taxes for 2018.
- **Good news for families with kids.** The expansion of the Child Tax Credit will help offset the loss of the personal exemptions and could actually create a nice refund. The credit is now double at \$2,000 per child and the income limit is raised to include most taxpayers.

With the uncertainty regarding whether you will receive a refund, hold off on major purchases and plans until your tax return is finalized. If possible, create a cash cushion to lessen the financial burden on you and your family. This is especially true if your withholdings are lower than last year.

A Potpourri of Topics

3/7/19 Board of Education Meeting



Rubik's Cube Champion
Patrick Ponce Jr.



PAHS Sailing Team with Board of Education Members

**Photo by Katherine Massopust*

and met women leaders. There was a question and answer period and one of our students asked a question. There was a proclamation of New Jersey in the Celebration of Women. There is move for more equality and opportunity.”

Many members of the Perth Amboy Federation of Teachers attended the meeting to voice their opinions in protest of what they feel were condescending presentations at the previous Board Meeting (2/7/19). This was especially in protest over Assistant Superintendent Richard Chromey's presentation at that Board Meeting referring to “Henny Penny”. The AFT had spoken to the press because some classrooms were so cold that students and staff were wearing their coats and scarves while class was going on.

The Board went into executive session at 6:16 p.m. and returned at 8:40 p.m. During this time, the Perth Amboy Federation of Teachers who were wearing blue T-shirts (with Perth Amboy Federation of Teachers on them) shouted out that the union stands together. They carried a banner mocking the reference to being compared to fairy tale characters. At one point, the Perth Amboy Federation marched around the auditorium of McGinnis School making their presence known.

After the Board returned from Executive session, Board Secretary Derek Jess read a letter from the School Ethics Commission. This was in reference to an ethics violation complaint filed against Board Members Ken Puccio, Obi Gonzalez, Israel Varela, and Milady Tejada on

10/28/15 stating they violated NJSA-18A:12-24C. The charges against Ken Puccio were dismissed with prejudice. Board Members Obi Gonzalez, Israel Varela, and Milady Tejada were to be suspended from the Board for 60 days. Since they are no longer seated Board Members, the modified recommended penalty currently for any respondent who is no longer a seated Board Member goes from suspended to censure from an office for School Official.

During the first part of the public portion, Board Certified Teacher Lynn Audet spoke about the reasons for the high turnover rate in the school district. “We did surveys. Many teachers said they want to retire. What I feel is important for the Board of Education to know is that the staff is unhappy here. They will not put that down in their resignation letter. Staff had expressed that they are belittled. They are overwhelmed, exhausted, and unappreciated. Month after month teachers are resigning. It breaks my heart what I hear from the staff. Things need to change.”

Perth Amboy Federation President Pat Paradiso spoke next. She questioned the new attendance policy for support staff which was on the agenda. She stated that the new policy states that the Certified Staff Attendance Policy is the same for the Support Staff. The regulation guide states that the immediate supervisor determines which absence is justified or needs clarification and what requires discipline. “Since these policies are identical, non-certified employees and certified employees

are being treated the same. It's of concern (to the Perth Amboy AFT).”

Later in the Meeting, Superintendent Dr. David Roman pulled the policy (4212) off the agenda for later review.

Board Member Stephanie Márquez-Villafañe questioned CUR-15) No. 8 Approval to purchase home libraries to K-12 immigrant students at a total cost not to exceed \$134,750.00 under the supervision of Mr. Rogelio Suarez, Director of Bilingual/ESL & World Languages and Dr. Vivian C. Rodriguez, Assistant Superintendent of Learning/Educational Services. Funded through Title III Immigrant Account Numbers.

Márquez-Villafañe asked what is considered the definition of an immigrant.

Mr. Rogelio Suarez came up to the podium and answered the question. “This is a purchase under Title III. An immigrant is considered someone not from the United States or its territories (here for under 1 year and half). Each child will have their own library (K-12) under the guidance of Dr. Rodriguez and Dr. Roman. There is 50% fiction; 50% non-fiction; each 50% in English and 50% in Spanish. We will train parents how to use the library at home when it is distributed.”

Board Member Lissette Lebron stated she enjoyed Read Across America. “It's great to be a part of it.”

During the Second Public Portion Donna Tartza and Pat Paradiso from the PAAFT spoke. Tartza's statement is on p.2.

All the Board Members were present at the Meeting.

LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

EDITORIAL

Who Will Take Care of the Caretaker?

We were always taught the value of being an American Citizen and the rights that came with it. What good is that right if you have people who enter into the United States illegally or overstay their visas and receive some of those same rights and privileges: Drivers Licenses, Free In-State Tuition, etc. How do you explain this to American Students who are graduating with a high student loan debt? How do you explain this to families who saved and sacrificed to send their children to college when others are handed a higher education freely?

Is this fair? It's the American citizens' taxpayer dollars being spent unwisely? Those dollars pay the politician's salaries. There are perks politicians have that regular citizens that people who work in the private sectors aren't afforded.

In 2018, the Illinois Senate passed a bill limiting severance pay (and prohibiting it if you've been fired for misconduct).

There was a recent interview with Author John Zmirak who wrote the book "The Politically Incorrect Guide to Immigration."

He spoke about his family who immigrated from Hungary in 1916. They came over legally but were unskilled and uneducated. But unskilled labor was needed at that point in the United States. The labor that was in demand then is not in demand now. Technology has changed the face of the workforce.

We still need people to come over the United States, but more are needed with specialized skills.

Growing up in Perth Amboy, when we played together as kids, we were unaware of people's ethnicity, race, or religion. We socialized and it was a non-issue.

What happened? Now it seems people purposely want to characterize other people to always have a victim mentality.

First of all, you have to look at your circumstances and see if where you are is the cause or the result of an action. There are many things that you can do to

change your circumstances and only you know the truth. Take control over the things you can. Usually you can find someone who overcame the same situation as yourself and you can team up with that person as a support system.

This is probably the 10th time we have mentioned this: "Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day. Teach him how to fish and you feed him for a lifetime." (a saying which is attributed to various sources).

What we need is a lot of fishing poles to teach people how to be fed for a lifetime.

Recently, someone called a radio station and gave the definition of foreign aid. It's taking money from the middle class in the United States to send it to the rich in poor countries. Unfortunately a lot of the time this is true.

Each year, a certain radio station has a fundraiser to send money to Haiti and San Salvador. Look at the leadership in these countries. I remember taking a side trip to Haiti in the late 1980's. I was appalled at the living conditions of the locals. In the distance, you can see the Presidential Palace in all its glory in the mountains. Even after all these years, how much improvement has Haiti made? There are so many countries where the leadership has failed their citizens miserably.

People criticize the United States, but I'll tell you what. It is the most perfect imperfect country in the world. I would not want to be a citizen anywhere else.

Who will take care of the United States if we go down? - Dinesh D'Souza: America: Imagine the World Without Her. **C.M. & K.M.**



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THE COMMUNITY VOICE

Governor Murphy's Plans

Ok, our Governor Mr. Murphy was talking about his budget plans and new taxes for this going broke State. The Governor said New Jersey is a middle-class working State - more like a working poor State if you

open your eyes. Yes, there's lot of wealthy people living here, but not in Perth Amboy. We all know living here in town will be harder because high cost of rent and property tax. In fact, on the editorial from the Amboy Guardian 2-6-19, the talk about Amazon will be good for Perth Amboy businesswise. New Jersey over the years has lost

many manufacturing jobs like Ford, GM, and many others that went to China or Mexico. And if those politicians keep chasing those money-making manufacturing jobs away, then DOOMS DAY will be here before 2020.

Orlando "Wildman" Perez

We Value Your Opinion Send Us A Response!

Perth Amboy BID Approves Grant to the City's Art Planning Initiative Also, BID Appoints Interim Executive Director and Announces Fireworks Display on July 3rd

Press Release 3/1/19
PERTH AMBOY – Perth Amboy's Business Improvement District (BID) approved a \$15,000 grant to the City's Art Planning Initiative during its recent monthly meeting.

The art planning initiative presented its plans for establishing a cultural district in the downtown area. The overall mission of the arts initiative is to create an environment to foster art and culture in the community. The second goal is provide visual and performing artists with venues to display their artwork or perform in the downtown business district. The third objective is to attract more visitors to the City's center and waterfront, and they may enjoy the arts while shopping, dining and strolling in the area.

Two representatives from the City's arts planning initiative presented their concepts for outdoor cultural exhibits, streets performances this summer and mural painting. Kenneth Ortiz, Director, Department of Human Services, and Dianne Roman, Deputy Department Head – Social Services, explained that the program has the potential to form a vibrant arts district in the downtown area with PopUp

galleries and public art displays. The activities will help showcase the City's culture as well as its outdoor spaces while attracting more people to the main shopping and dining areas.

In discussing the BID's grant, Perth Amboy Mayor Wilda Diaz, "Our community is taking action to offer more opportunities to local artists, beautify the downtown and boost the local economy. We are grateful for the BID's support of the innovative arts initiative, which will make the shopping and dining district more welcoming. The generous funding will help us quickly move the project along."

In other action, the BID's Board of Directors unanimously appointed Randy Convery as the organization's Interim Executive Director. Mr. Convery, who has served the BID as its Field Coordinator, brings years of experience assisting local businesses in many ways. His activities include helping companies build or reinforce their presence online and digital marketing capabilities.

During the meeting, the BID also presented a plaque of recognition to Gary Rumpf, who has actively served on the

Board of Directors. Mr. Rumpf generously volunteered his time, served as the chairman of the BID's Façade Committee and participated in many special events and programs. He is retiring from BID's board.

"Gary Rumpf has served the City and the BID with distinction," said BID Chairman Barry Rosengarten. "He consistently focused on making Perth Amboy a model community where businesses may thrive, families raise their children and guests are welcome. We will deeply miss his dedication, guidance and insights."

Announces Annual Independence Day Fireworks

Mr. Rosengarten also announced that the BID is joining with the city and the nonprofit Celebrate Our Stars & Stripes group to present the annual fireworks display and marine parade. The events celebrating America's Independence Day will be held on July 3rd.

For more details about the BID, visit the Facebook page or contact Acting Executive Director Randy Convery at 732-826-0290, ext. 4050, or by email at Rconvery@perthamboynj.org.

Designer Bag Bingo & Tricky Tray

PERTH AMBOY – There will be a Designer Bag Bingo, Tricky Tray, 50/50, and Louis Vuitton Bag Raffle (Ticket \$20.00) on Friday, April 12, 2019 at Saint John Paul II Parish, St. Stephen's School, 500 State St., Perth Amboy. Designer Bags include Kate Spade, Coach, Guess, ECCO, Michael Kors, DKNY and Calvin Klein. Doors open at 6 p.m. Game Starts at 7:30 p.m. Kitchen will be open. \$30.00 admission fee includes: one set of 12 bingo cards, includes a special game/each 3 bingo boards, and a ticket for a door prize, coffee, and cake. Reservations @732-826-1395 / 732-485-9367

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

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!

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Perth Amboy

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City Hall, High St.
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City Hall, High St.
WED. Mar. 27 City Council, Regular, 7 p.m.
City Hall, High St.

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St. Patrick's Day Dinner

SAYREVILLE - There will be a St. Patrick's Day Dinner at Sayreville United Methodist, 406 Main St., Sayreville, NJ on Saturday, March 16, 2019, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Cost: Adult \$12.00 Seniors/Students/Children between ages 5-12 yrs. \$8.00; Children under 5 - Free Dinner of Spaghetti & Meatballs.

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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.

In Dublin, the government of the neutral Republic of Ireland on March 10, 1944, refuses a U.S. request that it expel all Axis diplomats. (The U.S. and the U.K. are concerned that spies will transmit information on Allied preparations in England for the upcoming "Operation Overlord" (the invasion of Europe) to Germany via neutral Ireland.) The *Kriegsmarine* loses four of its U-boats — *U-343*, *U-450*, *U-625* and *U-845* — to enemy action on this day alone. The Red Army captures Uman, in central Ukraine, midway between Kiev and Odessa.

As of March 11, some 12,000 Chindits are behind Japanese lines in Burma, disrupting the communications of Japanese forces facing Lt. Gen. Joseph "Vinegar Joe" Stilwell's Sino-American troops. Field Marshal Ernst Busch, commander of German Army Group Centre, and his staff are summoned to Hitler's *Berghof*, in Obersalzberg, Austria, to brief the German leader on the status of the war on the Eastern Front. One of Busch's aides, Capt. Eberhard von Breitenbuch, conceals a pistol in his uniform with which he intends to assassinate der Führer. Upon arrival at the *Berghof*, Breitenbuch is prevented from entering the meeting room by SS guards, whose orders have been changed just that morning: Only senior officers will meet with Hitler; aides will not be permitted. Thus, the plan goes unfulfilled and Breitenbuch goes on his way, undetected.

British forces take Buthidaung, north of Aykab, in coastal Arakan, Burma, on March 12. On Bougainville, Japanese attacks continue, but the American defense holds. U.S. troops occupy Wotje Atoll, in the Marshall Islands, without resistance.

On the Eastern Front, the Soviet 3rd Ukrainian Front, under Col. Gen. Rodion Malinovsky, captures Kherson, in southern Ukraine, on March 13. In the Pacific, American submarine *USS Sand Lance* fires six torpedoes into a Japanese convoy headed for the Mariana Islands. The torpedoes sink the light cruiser *Tatsuta* and the merchant vessel *Kokuyo Maru*, which is carrying 1,000 troops, and damages one of the other merchant vessels. In Moscow, the Soviet Union officially recognizes the Badoglio government in Italy.

On March 14, troops of British Lt. Gen. William Slim's Fourteenth Indian Army in northern Burma are under attack by the 31st Infantry Division of the Japanese Fifteenth Army. They are forced to withdraw toward Imphal — a major supply center in the Indian state of Manipur, in the northeastern part of the country — while engaging in a bitter fighting retreat. In Ukraine, German forces are cut off by Soviet troops north of Kherson. Eventually, some 10,000 Germans are killed and about 4,000 taken prisoner.

In Italy, the third Battle of Monte Cassino begins on March 15. The Allies drop 992 tons of bombs on the abbey ruins and fire 952,000 rounds of artillery to try to dislodge the Germans. British, Indian and New Zealand troops try to storm what's left of the monastery, but they are pushed back. In the Pacific, U.S. troops capture Manus Island in the Admiralty chain. In Wellington, New Zealand, the U.S. Navy sailing vessel *USS Echo* — a two-masted scow (a flat-bottomed schooner) — is decommissioned and returned to the New Zealand government. The borrowed vessel had spent two years of service meandering through the Solomon and New Hebrides island groups delivering supplies to the U.S. Army. (The vessel and her only commander, U.S. Navy Lt. (j.g.) Meredith "Rip" Riddle, are the inspiration for the 1960 film and the 1965 TV series: "The Wackiest Ship in the Army.")

Acting Maj. Gen. Orde Wingate's Chindits (officially the 77th Indian Brigade) on March 16 sever communications and create havoc behind Japanese lines near Bongyaung and Inywa, along the Irawaddy River in northern Burma. Pierre Pucheu, Vichy French Minister of the Interior, is captured in Casablanca, Morocco, and imprisoned for collaborating with the Nazis. He is subsequently tried by the Free French and convicted of treason and is executed by firing squad on March 22.

***Friends of
Perth Amboy
Free Public
Library Meeting***

PERTH AMBOY – The Friends of Perth Amboy Free Public Library are having a meeting on Tuesday, Mar. 19, 2019 at 6 p.m. at the Perth Amboy Free Public Library (Children's Library), 196 Jefferson St. Everyone is welcome to attend. For more info, call 732-261-2610.

***Bus Trip
Hunterdon Hills
Playhouse***

Holy Rosary Seniors
HOPELAWN - Holy Rosary Seniors is sponsoring a bus trip just to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse to see "I Do, I Do" Wednesday, 8/14th. Cost \$98. Deposit of \$50 required. Includes bus, luncheon, and show tickets. Bus leaves Church parking lot at 10:00 am. Any questions please call Ronnie at 732-442-5252.

***A.C. Bus Trip
San Salvador Seniors***

PERTH AMBOY - The San Salvador Seniors are sponsoring a bus trip to Caesar's Casino in AC on Thursday, Apr. 4, 2019. Bus leaves 12 Noon from the Perth Amboy Knights of Columbus, High Street, Perth Amboy. Cost 30 pp. Receive \$30 back in slot dollars. For more info call Joe at 732-826-0819.



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

PERTH AMBOY – A trip to the Golden Nugget Casino in Atlantic City will be held on. Wed. Mar. 27, 2019. Cost \$35 pp.; \$25 back in slot play and \$5 food voucher. 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.

***Designer Bag
Bingo &
Tricky Tray***

PERTH AMBOY - The Women of the Moose Chapter 1247 Perth Amboy are hosting a Spring Fever Designer Bag Bingo & Tricky Tray Event on Sunday, March 24th, 2019 at the lodge located at 989 Convery Blvd in Perth Amboy. The doors open at 12:30 p.m. and the first game is called at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25.00 and includes 1 Bingo set, 3 boards per game, coffee & cake. For tickets call Gwen @ 732-694-0746 or Michelle @ 732-921-7830. The kitchen will be open, no outside food please.

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Linguini Dinners***

FORDS - Our Lady of Peace Knights of Columbus Council #9199 of Fords is sponsoring their annual "All You Can Eat" Lenten Linguini Dinners every Friday in Lent, except Good Friday. The dinners will now be served from 5:30PM-7:30PM in the cafeteria below the Church.

The menu includes Linguini, with a choice of Red (Marinara) or White clam sauce, salad, garlic bread, coffee and desserts. And the kids favorite, homemade pizza. Bottled water, soda and iced tea are also available for \$1 each.

The cost is \$10 for adults, \$9 for Senior Citizens, \$5 for children under 12 and children under 5 are free. There is a special family price of \$20 (EAT IN ONLY). A family would consist of only 2 adults and any children under 12. No reservations necessary and take-out is available. For more information, call Tony at 732-233-4473.

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***Palm Cross
Sale***

SOUTH AMBOY – The Sacred Heart Altar Rosary Society will offer beautiful palm crosses for purchase during the weekends of March 30th & 31st and April 6th & 7th. Sales on Saturday will be from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and on Sunday from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in front of Memorial Hall, 529 Washington Ave., across from Sacred Heart Church. The cost is \$8 for one cross or \$15 for two. Remember your departed loved ones during the Easter season with decorative cemetery crosses. Call Virginia for more information: 732-721-1521.

***Annual
Cabbage &
Noodle Sale***

PERTH AMBOY - St. John's Evg. Lutheran Church is having a cabbage & noodle sale. Orders taken March 11th through March 30th. Pick up will be at 664 Amboy Ave (use the side door on Meredith St.) on Sunday March 31st from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Contact Lorraine at 732-996-8860 or kookie.mc@verizon.net to place your order. Cost: \$6.00 for 1 pound or buy 3 lbs or more, save \$1.00 per pound!



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Calendars***

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Prayer to St. Jude

To be said when problems arise or when one seems to be deprived of all visible help, or for cases almost despaired of.

Most holy Apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the name of the traitor who delivered our beloved Father into the hands of His enemies has caused you to be forgotten by many, but the Church honors and invokes you universally, as the patron and invokes you universally, as the patron of hopeless cases, of things almost despaired of. Pray for me, I am so helpless and alone. Make use I implore you, of that particular privilege given to you, to bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolation and help of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations and sufferings, particularly *(Here make your request)* and that I may praise God with you and all the elect forever. I promise, O blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor, to always honor you as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to you. Amen. *Thank you, Saint Jude I.N.S.*

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.

Pirohi Sale

PERTH AMBOY - St. John's Orthodox Church will be holding their Pirohi Sale at \$9.00 Per Dozen. Orders may be called in from March 4th -6th. 2019 to 732-826-7067 between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 Noon. Please call early to be sure your order gets in. Orders may be picked up on March 12th or 13th at 404 Division Street, Perth Amboy, NJ. Orders can be picked up after 2:30 p.m.



Book Sale

PERTH AMBOY - Pick up a book or two (\$0.50 for paperbacks/\$1 for hard cover) or select a "bag of books" for a price of only \$5. Presently, we are not accepting donations of books.

Visit us at the Brighton Ave. Community Center located at the corner of Brighton Ave. and Sadowski Pkwy. in Perth Amboy.

The schedule is as follows: Saturday: March 23rd. April 13th & 27th. We will be there from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. (weather permitting). If available, Artist Luis Rosario will be drawing complimentary caricatures. For more info, e-mail us at friendsopherthamboylibrary@gmail.com Check us out on the web: www.FOLPerthAmboy.com Book Dealers are welcome!!!!

Coffee Talk with Rabbi Metz

PERTH AMBOY/EDISON - Wednesdays in March at 9:30 a.m. Discussions/informal class in a relaxed environment. NEW LOCATION! Panera Bread, 1551 Route 1, Edison, (North of Menlo Park Mall, on the south-bound side of Route 1.)

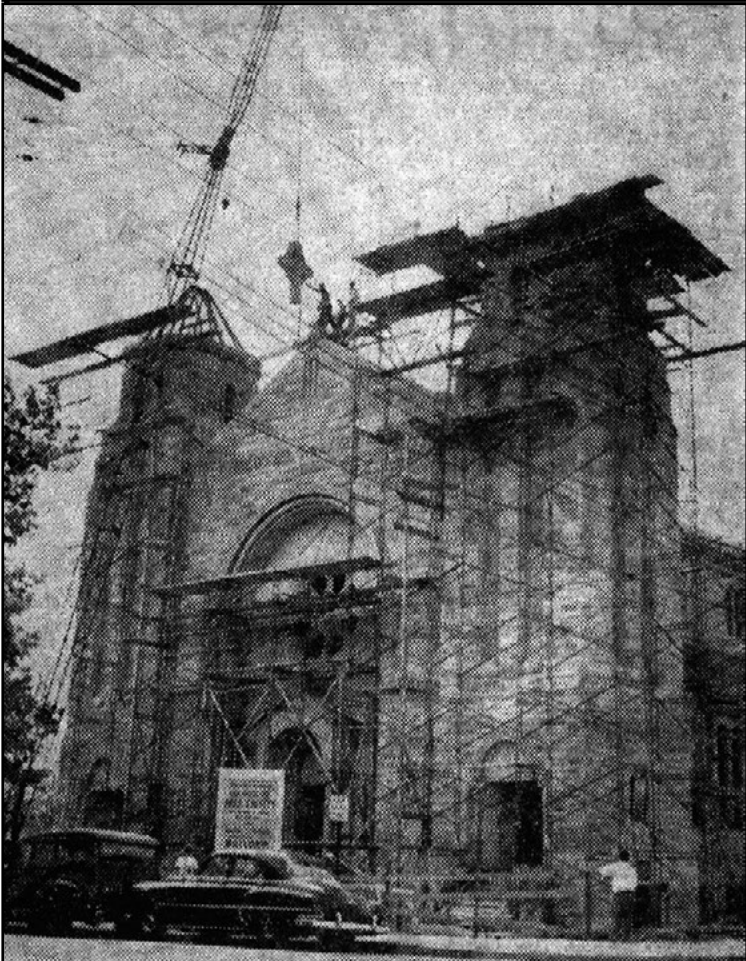
Blood, Purge, Saw: Medicine in the 18th Century

WOODBIDGE - Would you have survived surgery in the 1700s? Learn about the bloody interesting sources of 18th century medical care, ending with a step by step process of amputation. The speaker is Douglas T. Aumack, Assistant Curator of New Jersey and Local History for the Middlesex County Cultural and Heritage Commission. Monday, March 25, 2019 at 7 p.m., Fellowship Hall, First Presbyterian Church, Rahway Avenue, Woodbridge. For further information contact Brenda Velasco, Township Historian: 732-428-2403.

Answers
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LOOKING BACK



PERTH AMBOY - Cross Set Atop New Church - Workmen lift into place the 12-ton Indiana limestone cross atop the new Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church at Johnstone and Lawrie Sts. in this city as work on the exterior of the edifice nears completion. The cross, 7x5 feet is situated directly over the main entrance. Ground for the \$624,000 church was broken in December, 1952 and the cornerstone was laid in July 1953. The Rev. Michael J. Churak is pastor of the church.

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Senior Scene
Happenings

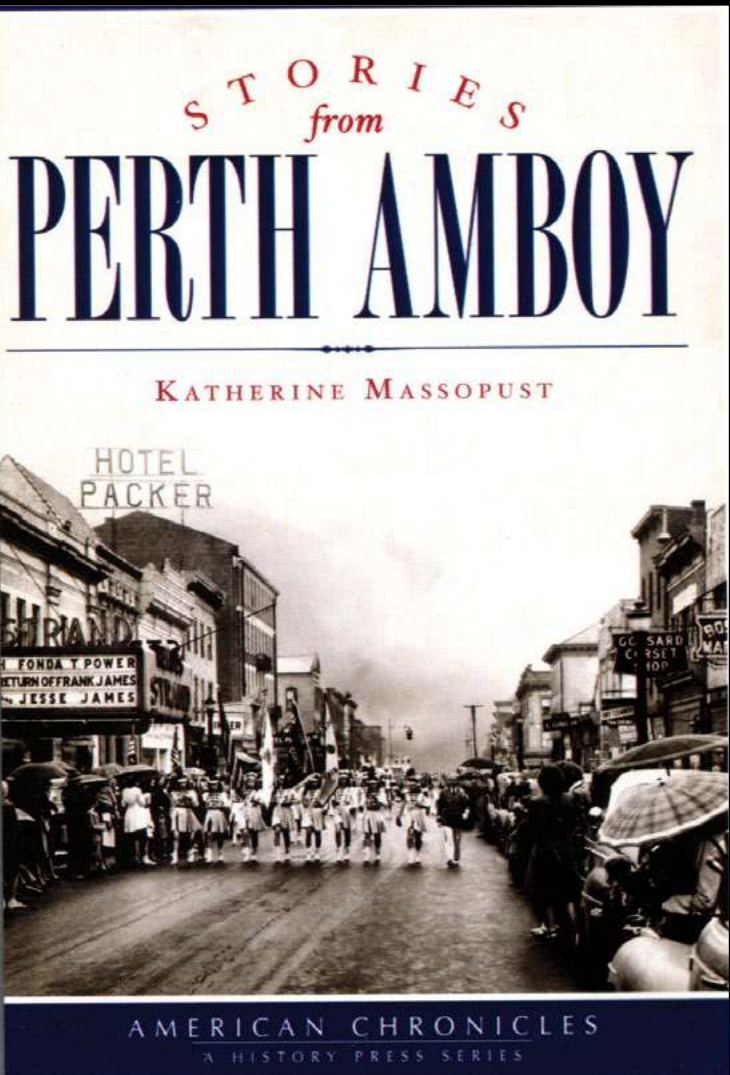
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• Good Shepherd Tuesday Seniors (HS) 12:30 p.m. Msgr. Gambino Hall, Florida Grove Rd.
WED. Mar. 13 Good Shepherd Wednesday Seniors, 12:30 p.m., Msgr. Gambino Hall, Florida Grove Rd.
• St. Stephen's Seniors, 1 p.m., Cafeteria, State St.
THURS. Mar. 14 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.
• Ukrainian Assumption Seniors, 12 Noon Church Basement, Alta Vista Pl.
MON. Mar. 18 St. James Golden Girls, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Commerce St.
TUES. Mar. 19 Market Square Seniors, 1 p.m., Presbyterian Center, Market St.
• Good Shepherd Tuesday Seniors (HS) 12:30 p.m. Msgr. Gambino Hall, Florida Grove Rd.
WED. Mar. 20 Good Shepherd Wednesday Seniors, 12:30 p.m. Msgr. Gambino Hall, Florida Grove Rd.
• St. Stephen's Seniors, 1 p.m., Cafeteria, State St.
• Holy Trinity Seniors, 1 p.m., Church Hall, Lawrie & Johnstone St.
THURS. Mar. 21 The Cathedral International Seniors, 9:30 a.m., Family Life Center, Madison Ave.

South Amboy

MON. Mar. 25 Sacred Heart Seniors, 12 Noon Memorial Hall, Wash Ave.
WED. Apr. 8 South Amboy Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.
MON. Apr. 10 St. Mary's Seniors, 12 Noon, Senior Center, S. Stevens Ave.

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10. Be sick

11. Attempt

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20. Automobile

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