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Discussion on Parking Problems and Possible Resolution, Uses for Federal Funds & BID Budget Presentation 10/25/21 Caucus

By: Carolyn Maxwell

PERTH AMBOY – There was a long discussion on Ordinance No. 5 entitled: Parking Meter Zones. Councilwoman Milady Tejeda spoke first stating that a lot of residents complained that they are getting parking tickets too early in the morning (8 a.m.). “A lot of people are still home, and parking is limited. Give them time to leave their houses. The parking enforcement should start at 9 a.m. That should be a more prudent time.”

Councilman B.J. Torres spoke up, “With the raising of parking rates, it is putting an undo burden on our residents, even at the waterfront.”

Council President William Petrick questioned if this ordinance can be changed to identify it as city lots that are being addressed in this ordinance.

Legal Representative William Opel (standing in for Law Director William Northgrave) said, “The language used in this ordinance is the same that is used in the city code.”

Petrick then asked, “In the ordinance, can they change the time from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. for the enforcement of parking to take place? It should be separate from the parking zone

mentioned at the marina which is a city parking lot. Maybe we can change the language in the ordinance to read, “Municipal Lot,” instead of, “Parking Meter Zone”.

Opel responded, “You can do the time change in an ordinance for metered parking.”

Councilman Joel Pabon spoke next, “We may be affecting the Parking Enforcement Agent Employees work schedules if they are to start ticketing at 8 a.m.”

Councilwoman Tejeda said, “Can we pass the ordinance now, then look at it later. Maybe we can have Chief Cattano address this later.”

City Clerk Victoria Kupsch spoke up, “The people on the block where I live don’t pay to park at the meters until 9 a.m.”

Tejeda said, “According to the ordinance, it says parking is restricted from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.”

After she read that, Acting Police Chief Larry Cattano spoke up via Zoom, “Those times have been on the books for years.”

Business Administrator Michael Green spoke up, “There are some city zones that should have their times changed (re-

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South Amboy Citizens Honored 10/20/21 Council



SOUTH AMBOY - Three South Amboy Citizens received proclamations from the Mayor and Council for their service to the community: (L to R) Councilman Tom Reilly, Surjit Singh, Edward Szatkowski, Kimberly Seber, Councilwoman Zusette Dato, Mayor Fred Henry. **Photo by Paul W. Wang*

By: Katherine Massopust

SOUTH AMBOY – Before the business section of the council meeting, three citizens were honored by the mayor and council for their service to the community. Councilman Tom Reilly was the driving force for the following citizens recognition:

Kimberly Seber was thanked for her volunteer service and dedication to the City of South Amboy. She moved to South Amboy from Union Beach in 2002 and met her now Husband Charlie Seber to form a blended family of 2 sons, 1 daughter and 3 grandchildren. Seber worked in the Information Technology Field for over 30 years and is currently employed with SHI International Corporation. Kimberly Seber has dedicated many volunteer hours in combatting opioid use as a Naloxone training community organizer, FED UP! Coalition volunteer, Peer Recovery Specialist, Peer Parent Coach and Knock Opioid Abuse Day community organizer and is a South Amboy First Aid Squad Active member and is pursuing her EMT certification. The Governing Body of the City of South Amboy thanked Kimberly Seber for her dedication to our youth and for her extensive volunteer work.

Councilman Reilly offered a few words about Kimberly Seber, “Kim has dedicated many volunteer hours to fight opioid abuse. She is a well-organized, intelligent educator. She resonates with children on drug use.

She has been to NARC events. She is active in the First Aid Squad and may consider joining the Fire Department.

Edward Szatkowski was honored for his volunteer service and dedication to the City of South Amboy. Edward Szatkowski has 55 years of service to the South Amboy Fire Department and has held several positions over the years including Fire Marshall, Fire Chief, Executive Board Secretary, and President of the Fraternal Order of Fire. 2019. Edward Szatkowski along with Burk Lambertson is credited with the fire rescue of an occupant inside a building. He has dedicated many volunteer hours for local charities including the Lions Club and the Middlesex County Emerald Society. The Governing Body of the City of South Amboy thanked Edward Szatkowski for his dedication and for his extensive volunteer work for the City of South Amboy.

Councilman Reilly stated, “Eddie Szatkowski as Fire Chief has donated a ton of hours as a volunteer Fireman. He will climb out of bed at 3 a.m.-4 a.m. to respond to a fire. He has dedicated 55 years of service to the SAFD. Over the generations, his family has dedicated over 320 years of service to South Amboy.

Mr. Szatkowski stated, “I want to thank the mayor and council for this proclamation. If it was not for the rest of the Fire Department, I would not have this award in my hand. I

want to thank my brothers. God Bless and keep safe. When you hear that siren, it is there to save lives.

Surjit Singh was honored for his volunteer service and dedication to the City of South Amboy. Surjit Singh has owned and operated John Auto Center since 2007 and he and his family moved to South Amboy in 2019. He graduated from Manhattan Comprehensive High School, holds certificates in automotive service and automotive electronics and is a graduate of the School of Cooperative Technical Education in Manhattan. Surjit Singh has dedicated many volunteer hours for local charities including the Knights of Columbus and Friends of South Amboy as well as supporting the South Amboy Police Department. The Governing Body of the City of South Amboy thanked Surjit Singh for his dedication and for his extensive volunteer work for the City of South Amboy.

Council Reilly stated, “I have two stories: I was in Surjit’s business (John’s Auto) and there were two vets sleeping in cars. Surjit gave them food and took the two vets and got them a room the Veteran’s home. He took personal ownership to those two vets. Another time Surjit offered when two Veterans who could not afford to pay for the car repairs. Instead of giving them a bill, he took their

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hands and said, "Thank you for your service." He has helped any charity that was in need of assistance. He will help anybody in need."

The mayor and council thanked the honorees and their families.

Council President Mickey Gross and Council Vice-President Christine Noble were not present, so Councilwoman Zusette Dato conducted the meeting.

B.A. Glenn Skarzynski stated that South Amboy passed the Best Practices with a score of 21. He stated that the State of New Jersey requires a minimum of 15. "Some were left unscored because they do not apply to South Amboy. We met state requirements."

There were a few questions on the bill list. B.A. Glenn Skarzynski explained that Manhattan Beach is building a portion of the \$3.71 million in affordable housing. "They will build 10 units. They will give us the money for affordable housing trust. This can be used to rehabilitate lower income structures. The income threshold (of low-income eligible residents) is determined by state statute."

The council passed ordinances 21-212 thru 21-214. 21-207 was pulled. The minutes, bill list and consent agenda were passed.

Council Comments:

Councilman Tom Reilly stated, "The three people recognized are three outstanding citizens – people who reside in this city. I want to thank the First Aid, food pantry volunteers and donors. Please consider joining the First Aid and Fire Departments. The Friends of South Amboy are having a fundraiser on December 18th. Please patronize our local businesses. They are working very hard to keep businesses open." Reilly then stated, "Jim Sartino's mother passed away. His father was a second ward councilman years ago."

Councilman Brian McLaughlin said, "Thank you to our volunteers in town. Please donate to stock our food pantries."

Councilwoman Zusette Dato said, "Election Day is on November 2, 2021. Early voting in New Jersey is happening for the first time in New Jersey. There are 9 days. Any person that is registered to vote – there are 10 locations in Middlesex County for early voting. It is an easy way to vote for those with difficult schedules. It is an option to consider. The election pollbook

is electronic now. Sample ballots are in the mail. You can also vote as usual on November 2nd from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Call the county clerk at 732-745-4202. It is your right and privilege."

Mayor Fred Henry said, "Condolences to the Sarantino family. Jim's father served with my father on the South Amboy City Council. The seniors are starting a senior book club. The city will provide transportation. For the ferry, the Army Corps sent a bill, and we approved the waterfront permit. We sent it back and they approved it. We are in the first step cleared regarding the ferry."

B.A. Glenn Skarzynski said, "In the next two weeks, we are out to bid for the revitalization of our baseball fields. The SAYA is extremely happy. Hopefully, by summertime it will be up and running."

Public Portion:

Resident Greg Babolack spoke, "The business administrator never replied when I asked to speak to the forensic audible. I went to her house. She spoke to me." Babolack then asked City Clerk Deborah Brooks to see the process that the meetings are recorded."

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND PUBLIC HEARING AMENDMENT TO THE CONSOLIDATED PLAN ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT (CAPER) PROGRAM YEAR 2020

City of Perth Amboy, New Jersey

Notice is hereby provided that the City of Perth Amboy, NJ has completed an amendment to its draft of the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for the 2020 Program Year for the Community Development Block Grant CDBG and HOME Investment Partnership programs. This report contains information including: 1) summary of the resources and accomplishments, 2) status of actions taken during the year to implement the goals outlined in the Consolidated Plan, and 3) evaluation of the progress made during the year in addressing identified priority needs and objectives.

This report is available to the public for review in the City's website www.perthamboy.nj.org and at the Office of Economic and Community Development located at 260 High St., Perth Amboy NJ 08861. As required by HUD, the CAPER will be available for a 15 days public period as of Monday, October 25, 2021 during which time the public is invited to address written comments to: Maritza C. Rodriguez, from the Office of Economic and Community Development at mrodriguez@perthamboynj.org.

The City will also hold a public hearing for citizens desiring to comment on the amendment to the CAPER report on Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at 3:00 P.M. via a phone and ZOOM meeting due to the Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic and following the social distancing guidelines.

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Perth Amboy intends to submit the final 2020 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) with amendments to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on Friday, November 12, 2021.

Thank you.

Helmin J. Caba, Mayor



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Helmin J. Caba, Honorable Mayor
& City Council Members

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LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

EDITORIAL

Saluting Our Veterans & Remembering Colin Powell 1937-2021



Colin Powel with his wife, Alma. We thank him for his exemplary life and service to the country. *Photo Shawn Thew AP



Fort Sam Houston's Color Guard leads a part of the parade line down Broadway during the Battle of Flowers parade, part of Fiesta, an 11-day city-wide celebration in San Antonio *Photo U.S. Army



*Photo Boston Globe



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Money Talks

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nesses will move into town and turn them into "Phone and Dollar Stores". Even drug dealers come into town with no problem and sales are high. Yes, there is money in Perth Amboy. The banks are doing well:

"Cash in - Cash out". Also, a great place for making babies - No problem! So, if you want to make money, Perth Amboy is the place.

Orlando "Wildman" Perez

The Fall of Rome

A recent letter claimed Rome fell because of its debts. That is false or misleading. The plagues that sickened and killed huge

numbers was the cause of the fall of the Roman Empire. Fewer people meant fewer taxpayers and soldiers to defend the Roman Empire.

You can read about the 14th century plague (the Black

Death) and its effects from a history book from your library. There were no vaccines of antibiotics in that era.

Ronald A. Sobieraj

New Portal Bridge

Questions still remain after the recent announcement by NJ Transit that they have awarded a \$1.559 billion contract for construction of the New Portal Bridge on the Northeast Corridor. Amtrak's \$305 billion Northeast Corridor High Speed project calls for the introduction of equipment that will operate at a speed of 180 mph. It is my understanding that the new Portal Bridge has been designed and will be built to accommodate increasing speeds from the current 60 mph to only 90 mph. This conflicts with Amtrak's long-term plans to reduce travel time by increasing

speeds up to 180 mph along the Northeast Corridor.

What future track outages and service changes that might impact both Amtrak and NJ Transit customers will be necessary to support construction? How much time will lapse after construction starts and finishes before riders will see the benefits of this investment?

Commuters, taxpayers, transit advocates, elected officials, transportation reporters and project advocates deserve answers to these questions before the contractor completes mobilization of his own work forces and materials prior to the start of actual construction. At the end of the day, everyone is looking for safe and reliable service

with capital improvements paid for that are fair and reasonable.

Sincerely,

Larry Penner

(Larry Penner is a transportation advocate, historian and writer who previously worked for the Federal Transit Administration Region 2 New York Office. This included the development, review, approval and oversight for billions in capital projects and programs for the MTA, NYC Transit, Long Island Railroad, Metro North Railroad MTA Bus, New Jersey Transit along with 30 other transit agencies in NY & NJ)

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Pallone’s Initiatives in Build Back Better Act Permanently Ban Offshore Drilling, Improve Coastal Resiliency, and Invest in Clean Energy

Press Release 11/1/21
WASHINGTON, DC – Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr. (NJ-06) today applauded the inclusion of his initiatives in the Build Back Better Act that permanently ban offshore drilling along the Atlantic Coast, bolster offshore wind, and invest in coastal resiliency. Specifically, the bill permanently bans new offshore oil and gas leasing along the Atlantic Coast, Pacific Coast, and Eastern Gulf of Mexico. It provides \$6 billion to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) for projects that conserve, restore, and protect coastal and marine habitats to increase climate resilience of coastal communities. It also provides billions of dollars in

funding for clean energy technology, including offshore wind.

"The Build Back Better Act provides robust investments for coastal states like New Jersey to tackle the climate crisis and accelerate our transition to a clean economy. I applaud the Biden Administration for supporting my proposal for a permanent ban on offshore drilling along the Atlantic Coast," Pallone said. "I've been leading this fight for decades because there's simply no logical reason to put our coastal communities along the Jersey Shore at risk with unnecessary and dangerous drilling. Investments for offshore wind will help expedite the benefits of clean energy that we are already working so

hard to develop in New Jersey. The bill's \$6 billion investment in coastal resiliency – modeled after my Living Shorelines Act – will help effectively mitigate future flooding while benefiting local economies."

In May, Pallone reintroduced the COAST Anti-Drilling Act that would ban offshore drilling in the Atlantic. In June, Pallone also reintroduced his Living Shorelines Act to improve the resiliency of coastal communities by protecting them against sea level rise and stronger storms caused by climate change. Pallone held a hearing in his Energy and Commerce Committee in October that highlighted the importance of offshore wind in the fight against the climate crisis.



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Community Calendar

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MON. Nov. 8 City Council, Caucus, 5:30 p.m.
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• City Council, Regular, (After Caucus)
City Hall, High St. & Zoom
THURS. Nov. 18 Board of Education, 5:30 p.m.
PAHS, Eagle Ave.

South Amboy

WED. Nov. 3 City Council, Business, 6 p.m.
City Hall, N. Broadway
MON. Nov. 22 City Council, Regular, 7 p.m.
City Hall, N. Broadway

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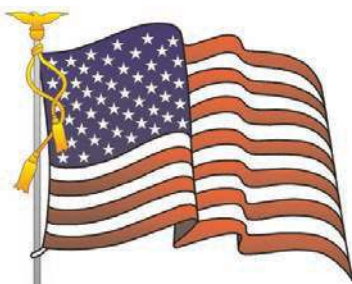
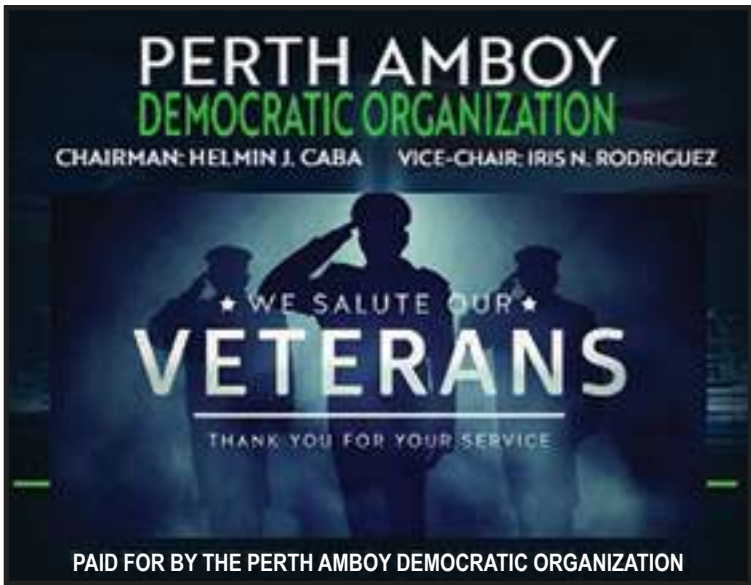
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Press Release
PERTH AMBOY - Expecting mother, Racquel M. Bruno from East Brunswick, NJ came to Hackensack Meridian Raritan Bay Medical Center in preterm labor yesterday, 10/31/21 @3:15pm. Racquel M. Bruno and her husband, Raymond Bansemer were scheduled to be married that day and Racquel's water broke 45 minutes before their scheduled ceremony, which was supposed to be at 4pm. They both wanted to get married before the baby was born, so one of the residents, Nadia Aurora at Raritan Bay Medical Center quickly went online to get her license to marry. Nadia married them yesterday at the hospital. The patient is currently 4 cm dilated and is expected to deliver the baby this evening.



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Discussion on Parking Problems and Possible Resolution, Uses for Federal Funds & BID Budget Presentation 10/25/21 Caucus

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stricted parking).”

Acting Chief Cattano spoke again, “The change of hours for Parking Enforcement will not have any effect on the employees. Many times, especially during school hours, they start early helping the school crossing guards with traffic control. We can have Parking Enforcement Employees start ticketing at a later time.”

Petrick then talked about the parking around the hospital. “They have enforcement of their parking until 9 p.m. while other areas of the city, it is only up until 6 p.m. The hospital has limited parking in spots.”

Councilman B.J. Torres spoke up, “The hospital has residential parking stickers.”

Councilman Joel Pabon suggested, “The city is divided into different zones. You just need to work on the specific zones that need parking problems addressed.”

Acting Police Chief Cattano said, “I believe the hospital is in Zone 3.”

Petrick concluded the discussion, “New Brunswick Avenue and Barclay Street are the only streets near the hospital that have meters.”

B.A. Green had comments regarding the supplemental debt statements which covered parking, utility improvements, water/wastewater utility improvements and various general capital improvements. “Currently we have \$8.4 million on hand. There is a possibility we can use some of that money for some of the items I just mentioned instead of bonding money for these items.”

Legal Representative Opel then talked about the three bond ordinances (first reading) which included the items that Mike Green had just mentioned. “There are three “Yes” votes required for these ordinances to move to the next step for public hearings and to be published.”

There was then a discussion on Ordinance No. 4 (first reading) – Vacating a portion of the right of way at the southwestern intersection of Patterson Street and Grant Street.

Councilman Joel Pabon asked for more details.

Opel explained, “This is for the Victory Center LLC. The redeveloper has to vacate that property that they own for logistical improvements for their project.”

Councilman B.J. Torres complimented, “There are no stop signs or lights at this intersection. It is an accident waiting to happen.”

Opel then explained, “It is a grassy area and not in the right of way.”

Council President Petrick then questioned if there were any public utilities underground in that area.

Opel explained, “The developer wants to connect two of his properties through this right of way.”

Petrick then suggested, “The

traffic department should look at that area.”

Acting Chief Cattano spoke up via Zoom, “I will be right on it first thing in the morning.”

Opel then had a statement regarding Ordinance No. 5 (first reading) – Adopting an amendment to the Focus 2020 Redevelopment plan for Area 1 (Gateway).

“The Planning Board has not had a chance to look at this plan closely. That is why it is being reintroduced as a first reading.”

B.A. Mike Green then spoke briefly regarding R-540 and R-541 – a contract to purchase office furniture. R-540 was the purchase price not to exceed \$19,922.70 and R-541 was to purchase furniture not to exceed the amount of \$16,732.93.

“This money was previously budgeted. It is to replace dilapidated furniture, a lot which is over 16 years old. This is all done through state contract, and it was approved with this year budget. The furniture will be replaced in three different offices in city hall.”

Green then gave the amount of money for R-543-10/21 – Authorizing submission of an application to the SNY Play Ball Basketball Grants Program. “The amount would be for \$2,500.”

For R-544-10/21 – Approving the introduction of the 2022 Perth Amboy Business Improvement District Budget.

BID Coordinator Noelia Colon came up to give a presentation, “The Budget is \$247,650 which is the same as last year. The supplemental funds are \$144,000. Some of the events that took place are job fairs, helping out with social services, downtown improvements, outreach meetings, helping out with vaccinations clinics. We had vendor events and workshops for business owners. We held the Perth Amboy Eats Event, which raised \$3,100 for the Veterans Memorial (on Sadowski Parkway). We had many people who came from out of town. The restaurants appreciated that people came to their businesses because it was easier for them to operate on their own site.”

Councilwoman Milady Tejeda spoke up regarding the Perth Amboy Eats Event, “The food vendors were very generous (with their portions).”

Councilman Joel Pabon commented about the downtown beautification projects, “The only problem is they took away the planters. Some of the residents said they were upset and said they wished they had those planters in their own yards.”

Colon explained, “Those planters will be replaced with something that is easier to maintain. The old planters will be auctioned off and we are looking for new vendors for that project. We also have funding to help with the lighting (in the business district). We budgeted \$15,000 for fifty planters. We welcome all suggestions on the way to beautify our business

district.”

Pabon continued, “When you get out and walk the streets, you see a lot of stuff going on. Some of the businesses are putting out things that are unattractive. Some of the businesses need to maintain their properties. There are too many sidewalk bricks coming loose. We need to have that gumbuster machine back in operation. Some of these businesses need their façade power washed. Maybe we can do that block by block. We (the Council), the BID, and Code Enforcement need to have businesses address these issues.”

Colon then explained, “With the gumbuster machine, it takes from \$3,000 to \$4,000 just to clean two blocks. We are working with Code Enforcement to see what businesses need to do to make their businesses more attractive and up to code inside and out. We can also address those tree wells and grates that rise up.”

Petrick said, “Some of the planters were placed too close to the curb, which made it difficult for people to open their car doors on the passenger side. The planters should be set back more (towards the sidewalk).”

Councilwoman Tejeda said, “I know that people are aware about the façade grants, but they are puzzled on how to apply for them.”

Colon responded, “Information (in both English and Spanish) is being mailed to owners of some of the buildings where businesses are located explaining how to apply for funds. Because of the pandemic, some of the people who applied for façade grants didn’t have the funding needed to match the grant.”

The meeting was then opened up to the public (in house first):

Resident Ken Balut came up first. He again had in his hands a Quality-of-Life Report (Prepared by the Government Strategy Group). He questioned, “Why are we subsidizing the YMCA when we have a lawsuit against them? We always hear about the parking situation and the bike situation. Where is the quality-of-life regarding rental properties? A lot of these illegal housing houses are deathtraps. In Elizabeth, people died in floods. You pay someone who is unqualified for a position they are in a lot of money. Now, we have a new part-time employee who works from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. How are they accounting for this person’s time? Now, someone was hired in Olive Street to work on the mayor’s campaign. If you work on a campaign, you should not get a job. Now, on the agenda are two resolutions calling for \$35,000 worth of office furniture. In two weeks, you are all going to the League of Municipalities, and you will see a lot of vendors there. Maybe you can see if some of those vendors can offer furniture at a much lower rate.”

B.A. Green responded, “The city is donating some of old furniture to other departments.”

Resident Vince Mackiel spoke next. He referenced Ordinance 5 – 2020 Redevelopment Plan. “You have the opportunity to install a filling station. Edison already has one. I know the establishment in Perth Amboy is oil. We spent a lot of money in court over these oil companies. When I looked on the city website, I saw there was \$1.6 million of unexpected revenue. Might this have something to do with housing? Maybe the business administrator or Tashi Vazquez (Dept of OCA) can send some of this information to the churches to let them know this money is available.”

CFO Jill Goldy came up to the mic to respond to Mackiel’s statement, “This amount (\$1.6 million) is miscellaneous revenue that is not anticipated. It is a catchall. The majority of that money came from the Home Depot PILOT. It could also be money from the UAW and other housing PILOTS. The Home Depot PILOT money will go into next year’s budget.”

No one from Zoom spoke.

Council President Bill Petrick spoke up again and asked BID Coordinator Noelia Colon to answer a question about the property located at the intersection of Convery Boulevard and Smith Street. “There were discussions in the past about having an electronic sign there.”

Colon explained, “There was a transfer of that property.”

Petrick spoke up again, “Kenny Ortiz (Department of Recreation and Human Resources) talked about getting information about the value of that property. At one time, it was discussed that we might be able to get that property for \$1, and with the new administration, maybe they can push for it.”

Kenny Ortiz joined the discussion via Zoom, “There was an application that was made out to the DOT from the city to buy that property. That application was rejected by the DOT. The DOT will only give a small portion of that property for an electronic sign. It cannot be used to advertise an event that will be making a profit. It can be only for city events and announcements. We are working on getting an electronic sign. I will reach out to the state level

organizations again.”

Petrick then asked if the Willow Pond fountains are working.

Ortiz said, “They were last time I checked. I will check them again, but the fountains will be turned off during the winter months.”

Council Comments:

Councilwoman Rose Morales thanked all who came to the meeting to voice their comments.

Councilman Joel Pabon said he was glad to see a lot of the lights on Amboy Avenue were working, and he was pleased to see the benches in the downtown area. “It is a big plus for our senior citizens. On Chamberlain Avenue we still have a lot of lights out. With the old furniture that is being replaced, the Charter Schools can use it. I see they are making progress on the bridge by ShopRite. The report that was given to us by the Strategy Group which shows how money is spent within the different departments, I am going to give the mayor time to look at these reports.”

B.A. Green responded to some of Pabon’s remarks, “As far as quality of life in the city, we have 18 officers in the police academy in training. We have the parking enforcement officers under the Police Department. The IT Department has made updates. A lot of information is being put on the city’s website. We are using more laptops. People can do planning and ordering through our website. We want to make sure that everyone knows how the Faulkner Plan operates.”

Councilwoman Milady Tejeda thanked the administration for all the activities going on and the changes which help to improve the safety and address the needs of the community.

Councilman B.J. Torres said, “I am glad to see the water meters were moved away from the fountain and to see that the American Rescue Funds will be helping the citizens.”

Council President Petrick thanked everyone who is here in person, on Zoom, and TV land who joined us again. The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m. All council members were present in person.

Spotted Lantern Fly, Perth Amboy 9/5/21

**Photo by Louis Petro*



Photo of a Spotted Lantern Fly. They are considered an Invasive Species and it is recommended to kill it on sight. To report a sighting, email SLF-plantindustry@ag.nj.gov.

Nepotism, Purchase of Office Furniture Amongst Topics Discussed

10/27/21 Council Meeting

By: Carolyn Maxwell
PERTH AMBOY – The meeting was opened up to public for ordinances that have a public hearing. The only person who spoke up was Resident Ken Balut who spoke about Ordinance No. 6 – Administration of Government to establish a policy against nepotism.

He asked, “Is this part of the Best Practices procedures. Every year when they drop an item from the list, we tend to drop the same item. If we adopt this ordinance now (Nepotism), will this be here if it is dropped from the Best Practices list? Sometimes we don’t follow suggestive procedures like installing a timeclock.”

After the meeting was closed to the public on ordinances, the public was invited to speak again on items on the agenda.

The first person up again was Ken Balut who referenced-540-10/21 – A contract for the purchase of office furniture to AIS not to exceed \$19,922.70. R-541-10/21 – Authorizing a contract to Global Furniture Group not to exceed \$16,732.93.

“Who is running this town? \$35,000 for office furniture? I remember when a former Police Director ordered a table that couldn’t even fit in the door of his office. But, do we need a bigger conference table for a king and a queen?” Balut then turned his attention to the BID and the presentation they had at the 10/25/21 Caucus Meeting. “In Newark, they have planters with beautiful flowers in them. We get new ones instead of trying to fix the problem. It shouldn’t be hard to fix the problems on Smith Street. We still have some streetlights out there. Millions have been taken from the businesses. I talked to a former resident (Reinaldo Aviles) who was also employed by one of the businesses in the Business District. He can tell you that in the past, businesses did not have to put up any matching funds to get new façades. You should hold the BID’s feet to the fire. A third of their expenses is going to the executive director’s salary. It is a waste of money. BID takes a tax from the businesses. Last year should have been a tax-free year for those businesses.” He concluded by saying, “It took

\$25 million to build the new county park (Thomas Mundy Peterson Park).”

After the public comments were closed, the council voted on the Ordinances. For Ordinances No. 1 thru No. 4 and No. 6 & No. 7 the council all voted, “Yes”. For Ordinance No. 5 (Parking Meter Zones), the only “No” vote was B.J. Torres. For the Ordinances (First Reading) Ordinances No. 1 thru No. 3 Councilman B.J. Torres is the only one to vote “No”. For Ordinances No. 4 & No. 5 the council all voted “Yes”.

For the consent agenda, R-529 thru R-536; R-538 thru R-539; and R-542 thru R-546 was moved by Pabon, seconded by Tejeda. All voted “Yes”. R-537 – Appointing Carmelo Menendez and Guadalupe Munoz as Class 2 Special Officers was moved by Pabon and seconded by Tejeda. Before voting on R-537, it was noted that Officer Munoz declined the appointment and only Officer Menendez was appointed to that position.

For R-540 & R-541 which pertained to furniture being purchased was moved by Pabon, seconded by Tejeda. Council President Bill Petrick was the only one to vote “No.” Public Portion:

Resident Ken Balut came up. He asked for photos of old furniture going out and the new replacement furniture. He then mentioned Mayor Caba’s salary and how much he makes a day. “Does Caba put in for vacation days? We created a slush fund. Look at these long-term mayors? When they leave office, will they be able to claim vacation pay? The poor people are paying. What is going on with the Kushner properties and the illegal housing and rental properties? You spent \$95,000 of taxpayer’s money on this report (Quality of Life Report). The Code Enforcement head has no credentials for that job. You can listen to the recommendations of this whole study, or you are nitpicking just certain items. People blow passed stop signs because they are being blocked by cars parked illegally. Sometimes I don’t have my garbage picked up, because when I have my garbage can out for collection day, people move my garbage can so they can park their

cars there.”

The next person to speak was Police Officer Captain Belik, who asked the council if they knew that one of the Fraternal Order of Police Contract has not been settled since 2019. “Has any of the business administrators brought this to you to be put on the agenda?”

Council President William Petrick responded, “The administration has to do this. We will put it on the agenda, but have you been before a judge regarding this matter?”

The officer replied, “We have, but then it was halted.”

The next person to speak was Resident Alan Silber who questioned, “Are there any city employees that are exempt from punching in a timeclock?”

Business Administrator Green answered, “Mangers or supervisors have to sign off on a sheet (with hours worked).”

Silber insisted, “There should be a timeclock.”

Green then mentioned, “When Mayor Caba takes time off, he will send correspondence to the necessary personnel saying when he will be out of office and who will be in charge in his absence.”

Silber then insisted, “All employees should account for their time. There are firefighters in Elizabeth that got paid for time when they actually did not work for the time put in.”

Green then explained, “There are people who work from home, and the GPS can track their time.”

Silber then finished off with, “I see with the new nepotism ordinance, that some people will be exempt (because they are grandfathered in). A person that is in an influential position should not be a supervisor over a relative.”

Green responded, “The Mayor and Council cannot have their relatives be hired by the city.”

Petrick then commented, “Some of the scanners on the timeclocks were damaged.”

Green said that he would check on that.

Petrick then said he remembered when Mayor Diaz got the backpay. “Mayor Caba said he would not do that. We need to get that codified.”

Legal Counsel William Opel said, “We can do an amendment to do that.”

Council Comments:
Councilwoman Rose Morales

thanked all for attending tonight’s meeting. She congratulated Lisa Nanton for the work she and the executive board did at the Proprietary House (and the architect being recognized by the NJHPC). She also asked if the old furniture can be sold through auction.

B.A. Green replied, “We can reuse the old furniture in other departments, but because of legalities, the Charter Schools cannot accept any donated furniture.”

Morales continued, “With illegal housing, it’s very difficult to address this matter, but we are open to any suggestion.”

Green responded, “We are working on rental registration. We are hiring two more Code Enforcement employees.”

Councilman Joel Pabon said, “There was a report sent to the council.”

Green said, “The report (Quality of Life by the Government Strategy Group) is on the city website and addresses the quality-of-life issues, IT issues, city planning, and a water and rate study.”

Pabon continued, “We still have a long way to go. I am hoping that we create a team just to address illegal housing. You need to have Code Enforcement, the Police Department, and the Fire Department to be on this team. The report has very interesting information.” He then said, “As far as the cost of the new furniture. Years ago, when I was working at Safe Haven (a city afterschool recreation program located at the old Department of Recreation Building on Brighton Avenue which was destroyed in a fire in 2009). I went to different retail stores to get a good price to purchase portable basketball courts, I received very good pricing at a retail store. When I brought that price to the purchasing department in city hall, I was told I could not purchase it because purchasing can only go through the state co-op system. Unfortunately, the state prices are much higher than the prices at the retail stores. The furniture has to be purchased through a state contractor.”

Morales spoke up again and said, “Unfortunately, we have to do the purchasing through the state.”

Councilwoman Milady Tejeda thanked all who participated at the meeting tonight.

Councilman B.J. Torres urged all residents to read the report, especially when it comes to Code Enforcement, our health issues and quality of life. “We need to have our own health department. Rental registration will help out when it comes to illegal housing.”

Council President Bill Petrick remembered, “In the 1990’s when I was Volunteer Fire Chief, we had to fill out forms when it came to illegal housing and these reports had to be sent to the appropriate departments. Do they still report streetlights that are out? Are these things (forms) still being used? We are closing our eyes. Garbage and water usage are up. Neighbors report illegal housing, but nothing happens. This is causing the value of our houses to go down. By working together, our police, fire, and code enforcement can put a dent into the illegal housing problem. All the previous three administrations are at fault because some of the violators were their supporters.”

B.A. Green responded, “We will be using the money that we will be receiving to combat these issues and all the departments will be connected through the database.”

Petrick continued, “The Kushner property on Front Street needs to be cleaned up.” He then asked if the El Patio Bar is still operating, “I hear the State Police raided them.”

Legal Counsel William Opel answered, “I am not aware of any infractions against this bar.”

Petrick asked if there was any notice from the state regarding this bar.

City Clerk Victoria Kupsch stated, “Nothing came through. As far as I know, they are still in operation.”

Petrick then said there was also a murder that took place at that bar.

Kupsch responded, “Once the state presses charges, they will notify us. Nothing has come through as of yet.”

Petrick ended the meeting asking to get a report of all past issues and violations against this establishment. “I want to thank all in TV Land, Zoom, and all who came in person.”

The meeting adjourned at 8 p.m. All council members were present in person. No one participated via Zoom during the public portions.

BIZ FAIR @ Dowdell

Press Release

SOUTH AMBOY - South Amboy's BIZ FAIR will take place on Monday, December 6 from 4-8 pm at the Sadie Pope Dowdell Library (Snow date: December 13). Promote your business just in time for holiday shopping! This will be an amazing, inexpensive opportunity for local businesses, home-based businesses, online businesses, entrepreneurs, non-profit organizations or corporates who would like to reach local markets. Businesses who participate will be included in the event's Business Directory.

Register today to save a spot - contact the Library at comments@dowdell.org OR 732.721.6060 OR log onto www.dowdell.org. A \$25 donation is requested per table.

Hot cocoa will be served and holiday cookies may be purchased.

Join us for a fun, holiday shopping opportunity!

The Library’s expanded Fall Hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 10 am - 8 pm, Wednesday & Friday 10 am - 5 pm, and Saturday 12-4 pm. Comments, queries, compliments? Please visit www.dowdell.org, or contact the Library at 732-721-6060 or comments@dowdell.org. The library is located off John O’Leary Blvd, adjacent to South Amboy Middle High School



Jibaro Night at American Legion Post#45, Perth Amboy 6/19/21 *Photos by Carolyn Maxwell



School Safety a Big Issue
10/19/21 Board of Education Meeting

By: Katherine Massopust
PERTH AMBOY – There were two presentations at the meeting. The first presentation was on the 2019-2020 Self-Assessments for determining grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act and the 2020-2021 Reporting Period Two Student Safety Data System and Harassment Intimidation and Bullying Incidents, Trainings and Program. The presentation was given by Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction Dr. Vivian Rodriguez, and Director of Guidance & Related Services Mr. Eric Swensen. Dr. Rodriguez and Mr. Swensen explained the assessment which stated that the district met or exceeded expectations.

The second presentation was on Building a Better Tomorrow which was given by Director of Social Special Services Dr. Jessica Neu.

Public Portion: Perth Amboy Federation President Pat Paradiso and District Representative Lynn Audet spoke.

Pat Paradiso: There are new extracurricular clubs on this agenda. Stipends for these clubs must be negotiated with the Federation. We are requesting dates to negotiate these stipends.

We have received concerns that the district dress code is “gendered”. As you all know we have a very diverse staff in this district. We are requesting dates to negotiate changes to the dress code.

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Resident Nicole DeRobles spoke last. She spoke in both English and Spanish, “Thank God we are all here together. There are some serious problems in Perth Amboy. The agenda should always be in both English and Spanish. We are sinking like the titanic. We need to work together. Where are the parents? Do they tell you what’s going on? You are doing good with the pandemic.”

Board President Ken Puccio reminded everyone that October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. “I think about cancer every day. Get yourself checked. At the football game Friday night, we honored the First Responders. Our First Responders are top notch. Last week was National Police Week. Last year was the deadliest ever. I participated in the Police Unity Tour.

During National Police Week, the police ride from New Jersey to Washington D.C. – 300 miles on bicycle. 20 months ago, I didn’t think that I could ride a bike anywhere.”

Board Vice President Tashi Vazquez said, “Congratulations to President Puccio for making the ride he didn’t think he could make. It is also First Responder Week and Fire Prevention Month. Kids enjoy events at the firehouse. It is Red Ribbon Week and Walk Your Child to School Day. We met with OEM (Office of Emergency Management), the Police Department, and City Administrators. Keep friends safe outside/inside buildings and get the best services possible. It is important to show a collaborative effort. Social media plays a part of misinformation.”

Board President Puccio said, “Cooperation between these city and Police Department is unprecedented. We must talk and get things straightened out.

Superintendent Dr. David Roman said, “It is important that social media didn’t speak about threats that didn’t occur. We’ve had an extraordinary beginning of the school year.”

Dr. Roman then spoke about the groundbreaking ceremony of the new Perth Amboy High School. “The date is September 2024 for opening. Central Administration are on top of what is going on. The cost is roughly \$300 million for the new high school. We are on target looking forward to it.”

Dr. David Roman then wished to address concerns of the community about information posted on social media concerning possible threats to the district. He warned of misinformation that spreads on social media platforms. He explained about safety and security in the district, “Mr. Tibor Kacso, District

Chief of Security Personnel has taken on a lot of responsibility in personnel to keep the students safe. You (Kacso) make my life easier.”

Vice President Tashi Vazquez added, “The school district got information over to the community. I would like to thank Carmen Southwood, (District Director of Operations). There is a shortage in staff. Family members in the district - there is a shortage. This is not only in Perth Amboy, but nationwide – pre-pandemic. The pandemic enhanced it – what we’re already facing. The Governor signed a bill cutting the number of credits in college required to substitute. There is an issue. We’ve had conversations. What is our plan? Better pay, better training, support more teachers. We need to be transparent. The nation has a shortage.”

Board Member Junior Iglesia said, “Whenever I make a statement, I make it as an elected representative to the Board. Our greatest issue is that the world is changing so fast. There are so many threats concerning to all of us. Safety and security to students and staff should be our number one priority. When there is a drill or lockdown – if a door doesn’t close – fix it! Based on drills with the goal to be prepared for all kinds of threats. How prepared are we? Active shooter? Fire?”

Dr. David Roman answered, “We are extremely prepared. We are in constant communication.”

Mr. Tibor Kacso came up to speak. “We do what is required by the state. We have drills every month.”

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m. Board Member Dr. Danielle Brown was not present at the meeting.

\$3M to LOCAL RESTAURANTS, 300,000 Meals to New Jerseyans In Need: Feednj Program Continues to Blossom
Restaurant Owners, Soup Kitchens, and Governor Murphy Commend Ambitious Economic And Humanitarian Aid Initiative



Press Release 10/22/21
HIGHTSTOWN, NJ — Nearly two years into the pandemic, restaurant patronage is down, but local restaurants partnering with Soup Kitchen 411 continue to bank much-needed revenue, while feeding their communities. This week, Soup Kitchen 411’s flagship program, FeedNJ has exceeded 300,000 meals purchased from local restaurants and served at soup kitchens, food pantries, houses of worship and community events in over 40 towns and cities.

This means a huge injection of revenue into local restaurants to partially offset the losses of Spring and Winter 2020, and brace for possible losses during Winter 2021—though FeedNJ will remain a loyal customer to its 75+ restaurant partners.

“When FeedNJ calls us to pre-order 300, 400, 500 meals at a time, that can make up for a huge chunk in the deficit of the past 19 months. FeedNJ’s per meal price of \$10 is more than enough to cover the ingredients and labor costs, and we are honored to have our meals served to people who need them,” said Doug Schneider, owner of Tavern on George in New Brunswick, a frequent partner which often delivers meals to Elijah’s Promise in New Brunswick during regularly scheduled Monday and Wednesday meal services for 500 clients.

“The COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated food insecurity for many in New Jersey,” said Governor Murphy. “I’m proud of the incredible work done by organizations like Soup Kitchen 411 to combat hunger in our state,” said Governor Phil Murphy. “Soup Kitchen 411 has just hit the milestone of 300,000 meals provided free-of-charge across New Jersey, all the while supporting local restaurants. This milestone serves as an astounding reminder of the tireless work of Soup Kitchen 411 and the impact of our Sustain and Serve program.”

Soup kitchen staffs appreciate

the assist, which allows them to meal-prepare and clean during the days catered orders of 75-1,500 meals from Soup Kitchen 411 feed their clients.

“Receiving meals from Soup Kitchen 411 has been a godsend, the meals we get are great, nutritious meals and they help us out a heck of a lot. They’ve been wonderful, not one hiccup with meals from SK411, everything is always right on time,” said Tyrone Burr, Director of Culinary Operations, Lunch Break in Long Branch. “We have a number of outreach programs, feeding homebound people who can’t physically make it to Lunch Break, and they love getting local restaurant meals bought by Soup Kitchen 411 just as much as the people who can pick them up at Lunch Break.”

Soup Kitchen 411’s work, along with the similarly mission-oriented work of Asbury Park Dinner Table was honored last Wednesday night at a gala hosted by the Monmouth County Democratic Committee. But FeedNJ hosts events with apolitical groups as well as Democrats and Republicans.

“It’s about the work of feeding New Jerseyans. Hunger doesn’t discriminate based on part status, so neither does FeedNJ,” said Program Chairmen Kevin O’Toole and Craig Coughlin.

Soup Kitchen 411, which administers the FeedNJ program, employs four part-time staff and relies on individual and corporate donations to support overhead costs, including website maintenance, and social media that fosters mutual aid. Additional funding helps the organization maintain its Geolocation database connecting people to over 250 tri-state area soup kitchens and food pantries in their area, and funding to purchase meals.

To make a tax-deductible donation to Soup Kitchen 411 click here and follow @SoupKitchen411 on Instagram, Twitter and Facebook.

Middlesex County hosts Fifth Annual Business Summit, Leading with a Purpose; Convenes Panel of Forward-Thinking Business Leaders from Across the Nation to Discuss the Need For a Sense of Purpose in Business



Press Release 10/21/21
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NJ – Middlesex County hosted its Fifth Annual Business Summit, Leading with a Purpose, on October 21 where a panel of future-minded leaders from across the nation and across industry sectors shared thoughts on how businesses are thinking beyond profitability to focus on creating value for all of their stakeholders. Speakers shared how their organizations are addressing the challenges of the present and future and how innovative decision-making is making a positive impact on their companies, workers, communities, and the world. A recording of the event can be found here.

Cordell Carter, Executive Director, Aspen Institute, served as moderator and panelists included: Lou Cooperhouse, President & CEO, BlueNalu, Inc.; Monique Carswell, Director, Center for Racial Equity, WAL-MART Foundation; Gene Gurevich, Director of Policy and Business Development, Mobileye; Natalie Madeira Cofield, Assistant Administrator, Office of Women’s Business Ownership, U.S. Small Business Administration; and Sandy S. Castor, Director, Office of Business Engagement, Middlesex County.

“Middlesex County’s annual Business Summit has become an invaluable resource for not just our business community and its workforce, but for all the residents of Middlesex County as it focuses on the future economy of the County,” said Board of County Commissioners Director Ronald G. Rios. “When put into practice, this year’s theme, Leading with Purpose, creates a better, healthier quality of life for residents, ranging from healthcare, to sustainability, to education and opportunity. Events like the Business Summit bring national conversations to the local level, allowing us to bring together innovative thought leaders and industry experts from around the nation to share how their practices will shape the future and impact the lives of our residents right here in Middlesex County and how we can be part of shaping that future.”

“Middlesex County, through its future-thinking strategies which will ensure all residents have the capacity to benefit from the economy; private-public partnerships; creation of its master economic development roadmap, Destination 2040, and emphasis on emerging and future technologies like electric,

connected and autonomous vehicles, is thinking beyond 2021 by contributing to a greater conversation around how a County government, along with industry-leaders located within and beyond its borders, can shape and change the future for generations,” said Sandy Castor, Director of Middlesex County’s Office of Business Engagement.

Hosted since 2017, this Business Summit was established by the late Board of County Commissioners Deputy Director, Kenneth Armwood, as part of the County’s future-forward economic development strategy, Destination 2040. The Destination 2040 Comprehensive Master Plan will shape how the County will grow and change in the future through input from those who live, work, and play here. Over the years, the annual Business Summit has grown to not just benefit the diverse business community within the County but creates a platform where creative collisions occur between key stakeholders such as educational institutions, government leaders, healthcare, and businesses. To learn more, visit: <https://discovermiddlesex.com/business-summit/>

Pallone Announces New Jersey will Receive Over \$800,000 to Support Seafood Processors

Press Release 10/25/21
WASHINGTON, DC – Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr. (NJ-06) today announced that New Jersey will receive \$826,807 from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to support seafood processors and to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, including measures to protect workers against COVID-19. The grant is from the Seafood Processors Pandemic Response and Safety (SPRS) Block Grant Program that provides grants to eligible state agencies and territories and was included in the Omnibus and Coronavirus Relief Bill Congress passed and was signed into law in December 2020.

“The COVID-19 pandemic deeply affected our state’s fishing community. Throughout this pandemic, I’ve fought for funding for the men and women who work hard to ensure that

New Jersey’s fishing industry is the best in the nation,” Pallone said. “This funding will go a long way to support the health and well-being of seafood processors and make sure they have safe and adequate work conditions during this public health crisis.”

Pallone has been a longtime advocate for the fishing and seafood industry in New Jersey. At the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, he fought for funding to help the industry alleviate the hardships it endured as a result of the public health crisis. In May 2020, Pallone announced New Jersey would receive \$11 million in federal funding to help the state’s fishing industry in the CARES Act. The industry in New Jersey received an additional \$9.5 million from the Omnibus and Coronavirus relief bill Congress passed and was signed into law last December.

Clothing Bin Now Open

SAYREVILLE - The Clothing Recycling Bin located at First Presbyterian Church of Sayreville, 172 Main Street, across from Borough Hall has been reopened for donations. With ART, the recycling company, one may donate in 3 ways:

- 1.) Usable clothing is donated directly to the needy.
- 2.) High-quality clothing is given to organizations that sell to those who cannot afford new clothing.
- 3.) Unusable clothing is washed and sold for industrial use and leftovers are used in the auto industry as seat stuffing for large trucks. They also help charities, schools, police departments, fire departments and non-profit organizations.

If you have clothes, shoes or other fabrics please consider using our recycling bin. Thank You.

Nationally Recognized Cardiac Expert Joins Hackensack University Medical Center as New Chief of Cardiac Catheterization Lab

Press Release 10/22/21
HACKENSACK, N.J. – Hackensack Meridian Hackensack University Medical Center is proud to welcome Michael Joseph Lim, M.D., FACC, FSCAI, as chief of the hospital’s Cardiac Catheterization Lab.

As a seasoned cardiac expert with 20 years of experience, Dr. Lim has earned national recognition for his expertise in treating complex coronary patients, his excellent technical skills, his extensive research, publications and presentations at conferences nationally and internationally.

Dr. Lim most recently served as the Jack Ford Shelby Endowed Professor in Cardiology and Professor of Internal Medicine and an attending physician at SSM St. Louis University Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri. He earned his medical degree from Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan and completed his residency in internal medicine at Indiana University in Indianapolis, Indiana. Dr. Lim completed a cardiology fellowship, followed by an interventional cardiology fellowship, at University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

“On behalf of the entire team at Hackensack University Medical Center, I warmly welcome Dr. Michael Lim and share in everyone’s excitement of having him as a leader in our Heart and Vascular Hospital,”

said Mark D. Sparta, FACHE, president and chief hospital executive, Hackensack University Medical Center and executive vice president of Population Health, Hackensack Meridian Health. “Dr. Lim’s experience and fellowship training will allow him to serve in a leadership role and perform advanced interventional cardiology procedures in the cardiac catheterization lab that will be invaluable to, not only our fellow practitioners, but our patients as well.”

“We are very pleased to welcome Dr. Michael Lim, who will complement and expand our capability to treat the most complex, challenging coronary artery disease patients with cutting-edge techniques and technology,” said Joseph E. Parrillo, MD, chair of the Heart and Vascular Hospital at Hackensack University Medical Center.

Dr. Lim has served as a principal investigator on numerous clinical trials for conditions including mitral valve disease, cardiogenic shock and coronary artery disease. Since 1990, he has contributed more than 100 publications to medical literature, including more than 30 book chapters. He has also served as an invited faculty member at numerous national conferences.

“We are proud to have Dr. Lim as a member of our leadership team and look forward to his contributions to patient



Michael Lim
MD FACC, FSCAI

care and cardiovascular clinical research,” said Lisa Tank, MD, chief medical officer, Hackensack Meridian Hackensack University Medical Center.

A member of several professional societies, including the American Heart Association, Dr. Lim has been recognized as a “Best Doctor in America” annually since 2014, and has earned the annual “Best Doctors Distinction” for the St. Louis region since 2005.

“I am pleased to join the nationally recognized cardiovascular care team at Hackensack University Medical Center and provide the highest-quality cardiac care to members of the surrounding communities,” said Dr. Lim.

Hackensack Meridian Raritan Bay Medical Center Old Bridge Becomes Hackensack Meridian Old Bridge Medical Center

Press Release 10/21/21
OLD BRIDGE NJ – Hackensack Meridian Health, New Jersey’s largest and most comprehensive health network, unveiled Hackensack Meridian Raritan Bay Old Bridge’s new name to the public today, Hackensack Meridian Old Bridge Medical Center.

“After conducting extensive research, we are proud to unveil the new name to the public,” said Robert C. Garrett, chief executive officer, Hackensack Meridian Health. “Our new name reflects our mission and supports our growing Old Bridge community.”

With this transformation, the surrounding community in Old Bridge has grown and become more vibrant in the past several years. With 68,000 residents and lots of construction going on in the town, Hackensack Meridian Health is committed to meeting the needs of the growing Old Bridge community.

“From expanding our Emergency Department, an award-winning ICU, a Bariatric Center for Excellence, a Comprehensive Diabetes Center and plans to expand even more, this new name reflects our commitment to our patients in the community,” said William DiStanislao, interim president, chief hospital executive, Old Bridge Medical



Pictured L-R, Louis Brusco Jr., MD FCCM CPE, chief medical officer, Old Bridge Medical Center; William DiStanislao, interim president, chief hospital executive, Old Bridge Medical Center; Owen Henry, Old Bridge Mayor; Robert C. Garrett, chief executive officer, Hackensack Meridian Health; Todd Way, president, central market, Hackensack Meridian Health; Jane O’Rourke, DNP, RN, NEA-BC, CENP, chief nursing officer, Old Bridge Medical Center.

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Center and Raritan Bay Medical Center.

With this change, Hackensack Meridian Raritan Bay Medical Center Perth Amboy will become Hackensack Meridian Raritan Bay Medical Center, dropping Perth Amboy from the name since there will only be one hospital with the Raritan Bay name.

Recently at Old Bridge Medical Center, the new 19 total private Emergency Room beds

opened to the public this past summer, a new retail pharmacy service was added for team members and patients, and the new concourse opened that connects all three buildings on the campus. The anticipated Grand Opening of the new Emergency Department, a \$39 million investment, is expected to open in March 2022.

Keep It Green Coalition Applauds State Government Announcement of \$100 Million For Urban Parks

Press Release 10/21/21
TRENTON- The New Jersey Keep It Green Coalition (KIG) of over 150 organizations dedicated to the preservation and stewardship of our state’s open space, farmland, and historic resources applauded yesterday’s announcement of \$100 million in Green Acres funding for urban park preservation and stewardship. In 2014, KIG led the effort to secure permanent funding for open space, farmland, and historic preservation and stewardship. Because of this work, the state now has a constitutionally dedicated source of funding providing more than \$150 million per year for this work, which enabled yesterday’s announcement.

For far too long, urban communities in the state were largely ignored by land preservation efforts, leading to a wide divide in access to welcoming parks. This historic investment will help close that gap, providing opportunities for outdoor recreation and relief from heat island effects for thousands of New Jerseyans.

“One of the best ways to protect the local environment is to preserve open space. And the most practical approach for counties, municipalities, and nonprofits to leverage their open space dollars is to apply for Green Acres funding. We know this is especially important in urban areas and communities of color that are more likely to have limited access to green spaces for recreation,” said Ed Potosnak, Executive Director, New Jersey LCV. “The Open Space Funding Constitutional Amendment widely approved by voters in 2014 paved the way for today’s announcement, and we couldn’t be prouder to see the administration move forward with these critical investments.”

“Keep it Green has been a strong advocate for fair access to open space, natural areas, and parks that can be readily enjoyed by all New Jerseyans,” said Dr. Eileen Murphy, Vice President of Government Relations for NJ Audubon. “Yesterday’s announcement of a \$100 million investment in our state’s urban areas for open space preservation and stewardship is a major step forward towards reaching that goal, and will enable thousands of New Jerseyans, who previously faced major barriers to access, to connect with nature and participate in new recreation opportunities.”

“The large investment being made by the Green Acres Program in overburdened communities is encouraging,” said Kris Kolluri, President and CEO at Camden Community Partnership. “Local parks and open spaces can change the trajectory for health, economic development, resilience, and social cohesion for these vulnerable communities.”

New Jersey’s overburdened communities are extremely

vulnerable to increasing heat waves due to the “urban heat island effect.” This phenomenon causes temperatures within urban areas to rise significantly, compared to suburban and rural outlying communities. This is a direct result of the lack of open spaces and natural areas that, by their nature, reflect and redirect heat. With such an extreme difference in heat wave temperatures for New Jersey’s low-income and communities of color, this makes heat related illnesses and death a major concern connected to the rising temperatures caused by climate change. Research shows that there are already approximately 445 heat related deaths in New Jersey each year, with that projected to grow to 3,560 by the end of the century.

“We know our cities are hotter and less resilient because of historic overdevelopment, which is why Isles has pioneered urban gardens and reclaimed vacant property for playgrounds and ballfields. We applaud Gov. Murphy for focusing these Green Acre resources in areas disproportionately bearing the burden of climate change,” said Sean Jackson, CEO of Isles, Inc. a 40 year-old Trenton-area nonprofit.

“This is amazing news at a most important time in New Jersey,” said Jay Watson of the New Jersey Conservation Foundation. “Making these green investments now will significantly enhance the quality of life in our very diverse communities, and will help offset the disproportionate impacts of a changing climate and historic environmental injustices, particularly in communities of color. We applaud this outstanding commitment to bringing nature to every neighborhood in this great State of ours.”

“The New Jersey Recreation and Park Association is thrilled to support the advancement of this \$100 million open space acquisition, park improvement, and land stewardship package,” said Bill Foelsch, Public Policy Coordinator for the NJ Recreation and Parks Association. “We are especially excited to see such a significant portion of the overall funding, \$47.1 million, for grants and loans for park improvements projects, particularly those that will impact local governments and community non-profit partners who will be building parks and natural areas in our urban communities. These will provide greater equity and meaningful access for under-served neighborhoods for outdoor recreation, community sports, and lands available for the appreciation of our natural world.”

KIG will continue to fight for open space throughout New Jersey no matter the zip code. Yesterday’s announcement was a great start to what we hope will be even more investment in open space and land preservation throughout the state.

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.

On November 1, 1946, 1,279 illegal Jewish immigrants are transported by the British from Haifa, in Mandatory Palestine, to internment camps in Cyprus. In what the National Basketball Association calls the first game in its history, the New York Knicks defeat the Toronto Huskies in Toronto's Maple Leaf Gardens, 68-66. The very first basket of the game is made by the Knickerbockers' Ossie Schectman. The Knicks' Leo "Ace" Gottlieb is the game's high scorer with 14 points.

A magnitude 7.5 earthquake hits the Jalal-Abad region of Kyrgyzstan in central Asia on November 2. Surprisingly, despite the size of the quake, no deaths are reported, although some damage is done. (The Jalal-Abad quake released about one-third the energy of the 7.8-magnitude San Francisco earthquake of 1906 that killed 3,000 people and destroyed over 28,000 buildings. Of course, San Francisco had a much larger population and many, many more buildings.)

In Japan, Emperor Hirohito, who has been allowed to retain the Chrysanthemum Throne in return for dropping all claims of being divine, on November 3 proclaims a new constitution that becomes effective on May 3, 1947. The document renounces war.

On November 4, the British Parliament hears a report that from July through October, over 5,000 people have been killed and 13,000 injured in sectarian violence in India. The constitution for the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) comes into effect; Julian Huxley, a biologist, is its first secretary-general. The foreign ministers of the "Big Four" (the U.S., the U.K., the U.S.S.R. and France) meet in a New York hotel to begin writing peace treaties with Germany's European allies based on decisions made at the Paris Peace Conference.

Thousands of Jews are released from the Latrun detention camp in Palestine by the British on November 5. They had been rounded up and incarcerated as a response to recent violence. Congressional mid-term elections in the United States see large gains for the opposition Republican Party. They gain 13 seats in the Senate and 55 in the House of Representatives, taking control of both houses. Among incoming freshman Congressmen: John F. Kennedy, a Massachusetts Democrat, and Richard M. Nixon, a California Republican.

Mohandas Gandhi arrives in Noakhali, Bengal, India, on a pilgrimage of peace on November 6 and views the results of the massacres of Hindus by Muslims that occurred there in October. The United States breaks off diplomatic relations with Albania.

On November 7, a major reform of Japan's writing system — to simplify it — is ordered by that nation's Ministry of Education at the urging of Allied occupation authorities.

The government of Japan, on November 8, 1946, expels from office almost 163,000 people — at all levels, from local to national positions — who held posts during the war. The names were provided by the Allied occupation authorities.

Some 246 people are reported killed in anti-Muslim violence on November 9 at a Hindu fair outside of Garhmukteshwar, Uttar Pradesh, British India. U.S. President Harry Truman ends the nationwide wage and price freeze except for rent, sugar and rice.

Hindu-Muslim rioting breaks out again in Bihar state in eastern British India on November 10. An estimated 20,000 Muslims flee the region. In the first national election held in the Fourth French Republic, Communists make significant gains at the expense of Socialists. They are now the largest party in the National Assembly. The Popular Republican Movement is a close second. Municipal elections in major Italian cities give victories to Communists and Socialists. Only in Palermo, Sicily, is the voting won by rightists. In the Soviet Union, a scientific team begins assembling the nation's first nuclear reactor.

Margaret Truman, the president's 22-year-old daughter, an aspiring coloratura soprano, sings a few notes while attending the opening of the 62nd season of the Metropolitan Opera in New York City on November 11. She makes her professional singing debut in May of 1947.

The U.S. Army on November 12 stages a test between its fastest adding machine and an abacus. The abacus wins four out of five times. Walt Disney's motion picture *Song of the South* premieres at the Fox Theater in Atlanta, Georgia. It is the first movie to combine live action with animation. One of the film's tunes — "Zip-a-Dee-Doo-Dah" — wins the Academy Award for Best Original Song.

Meteorologist Vincent Schaefer, a researcher with General Electric Co., conducts the first successful cloud-seeding test to control the weather, on November 13. Schaefer makes snow fall over Pittsfield, Massachusetts, by seeding clouds with dry-ice pellets at an altitude of 14,000 feet.

In New Delhi, India, representatives of the U.S. and Indian governments on November 14 sign an air-transport services agreement that clears the way for U.S. airlines to fly around the world. (The deal permits the flying of routes through the country's airspace and the servicing and necessary changes of aircraft in India for onward continuation of flights.)

Stop & Shop Store Hours

- Stop & Shop stores in New Jersey are open until 3pm on Thanksgiving Day.
- Pickup will be available on Thanksgiving Day at Stop & Shop stores in New Jersey until 2:00pm.
- All Stop & Shop pharmacies will be closed on Thanksgiving Day.

Bingo is Back

PERTH AMBOY – \$1000 Bingo is back at the Magyar (Hungarian) Reformed Church located at the Reformed Church Hall, 347 Kirkland Place, at the corner of Kirkland and Fayette Streets on Mondays, starting October 11, 2021. Parking option behind the church (331 Kirkland Pl., accessible from Wilson Street.) Doors open 6:30 p.m. Bingo starts at 7:30 p.m. Masks are mandatory. No exceptions! Snacks and coffee are available for sale. For more info, call 732-442-7799. License No: BL-1060: ID No: 387-1-29395

Christmas Cemetery Decorations Sale

SOUTH AMBOY - The Sacred Heart Rosary Society will sponsor a Christmas cemetery decorations sale. Grave blankets and white wooden crosses will be sold. Blankets will be available, by preorder only, for \$25. White crosses can be preordered or purchased during grave blanket pickup times, for \$10 each or 2 for \$18.

Order forms and additional information can be found at the parish's website, sacredheartsa.org or at the parish office, 531 Washington Avenue, South Amboy. All grave blanket orders must be placed by noon, Monday, November 29. All items will be available on Saturday, December 4, 9-11AM and 3-5PM, and Sunday, December 5, 7AM-noon, at 529 Washington Avenue.

Call Virginia at 732-721-1521 with any questions. Thank you, in advance, for your support.

You're Invited to Sunday Worship

PERTH AMBOY - Please join us on Sunday mornings: 9:00 AM for English Worship and Sunday School; 10:30 AM for Hungarian Worship and Sunday School

Rev. András Szász – Pastor; Organ Prelude - Richard Russell, Organist. We Extend an Open Invitation to All!

Magyar Reformed Church, 331 Kirkland Place, Perth Amboy, NJ - 732-442-7799; www.mrchurchnj.org

Parking behind the church on the Wilson Street side.



Hungarian Homemade Nut Rolls

WOODBIDGE – Sponsored by the Lorantffy Women's Guild of the Calvin Hungarian Reformed Church, Corner of School and N. James Streets, Woodbridge. Each individually hand rolled. Made from the best ingredients. Each weighing 1 lb. 8 oz. Available in: English Walnut, Poppyseed, Prune-Lekvar, Apricot, Raspberry-Seedless, Pumpkin-Cheese, Apple, Coconut-Cream. Price \$17 each. Deadline for orders by Tuesday, November 30, 2021. Pick-up date: Saturday, December 18, 2021, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall of the Church. Please use the Ross Street Entrance.

All orders must be paid in full upon ordering. Please call: Florette Pastor: 732-636-2868 or Audrey Marciniak: 732-494-1431.

Fresh Hungarian Kolbasz Sale

WOODBIDGE - Made by the members of the Calvin Hungarian Reformed Church, Corner of School and N. James Streets of Woodbridge on Saturday, December 18, 2021. Place your orders with Audrey Marciniak: 732-494-1431 or Florette Pastor: 732-636-2868. Price: \$7 per lb. Deadline for orders: Friday, December 10, 2021. Orders may be picked up at the Fellowship Hall, Ross Street Entrance on Saturday, December 18, 2021, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. If you are ordering Nut Rolls, you can also place your order for Kolbasz at the same time.

South Amboy Seniors

SOUTH AMBOY - The South Amboy Senior Citizens club is looking for new members. Anyone 60+ years old that lives in South Amboy or has a 08879 zip code is eligible to join. The meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 12:00 Noon at the Senior Building on Stevens Avenue. Come have fun and join the members for lunch and see if you're interested in joining the club. If interested or seeking more information, please call Gretchen at 732-721-2501 or Sandy at 732-721-6576.

Basketball Games Fundraiser

SOUTH AMBOY - This year's Friends of South Amboy fundraising event will be held on Saturday, December 18th at South Amboy Middle High School, 200 Governor Harold G. Hoffman Plaza. Proceeds from the event will benefit families in need. As in years past the event will feature local high school basketball games, as follows:

2 p.m.	South Amboy girls vs. Highland Park
4 p.m.	South Amboy boys vs. Spotswood
6 p.m.	Sayreville boys vs. Johnson high school
8 p.m.	St. Thomas Aquinas boys vs. St. Joe's Metuchen

Tickets can be purchased at the door.

Food Drive for Local Families

SOUTH AMBOY - The South Amboy High School Interact Club (Rotary Club) and the City of South Amboy is holding a food drive to benefit local families. If you are able to donate, there will be a collection of non-perishable food, personal hygiene products and paper goods. Donations can be dropped off at the side door of the South Amboy Senior Center on Henry Street, Mondays – Friday's from 8 a.m. to 3p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Jaclyn at (732) 525-5965. You can also contact Cathy at the Nurse's office in the South Amboy Middle/High School at (732) 316-7668 option 3 to arrange curbside drop off.

Friends of the Perth Amboy Library Book Sale Return!

PERTH AMBOY - The Friends of the Perth Amboy Free Public Library are once again having a book sale on Saturday November 13th and December 11th from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. at the Brighton Avenue Community Center at the corner of Brighton Avenue and Sadowski Parkway in Perth Amboy. I know many people have been starving for reading material for these long months we were at home. We will be wearing masks and providing hand sanitizer and bags if needed. We also insist that anyone coming to peruse our collection also wear a mask as mandated by the State of NJ. Paperbacks are \$.50, hardcovers are \$1, \$5 for a bag full, no limit to size of bag except no lawn or garbage bags. We have best sellers by popular authors that are like new. The money we raise goes to support the library with providing programs, promoting literacy or to provide funds to the library with their needs beyond their budget. We look forward to your visit.

For more information email us at friendsofperthamboylibrary@gmail.com, or call us at 201-381-1903 and like us on Facebook. Dealers are welcome. At this time, we are not accepting donations of books.

Getting Ahead in Business By Milton Paris



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Regardless of Your Age, Young or Old, You Must Set Goals For Your Business

It's that time of year again! Yes, for shopping, giving, and celebrating, but also for reflection, taking stock, and drafting our resolutions for 2022. Did you write your resolutions last year? If so, have you fulfilled your goals as you envisioned them last December? I'm about to ask my friends the same questions. While I know I will have a fair share of positive responses, I also know I will be hearing some excuses. Many business owners, managers, salespeople, and entrepreneurs can be expected to offer variations on the following excuses:

I started, but I did not reach the goals I set for myself. I procrastinated in achieving my goals, and here it is the end of the year! I started too late to think of my goals. I wrote my goals down, got involved with another project, and never looked at my list. The goals I set for myself were out of reach, so I got discouraged and quit trying.

Now's the time to pull out the list of resolutions you wrote last year and see if you made any headway on achieving them. If you did, congratulations! Let's move on to building on those goals to even greater achievements! If not, it's not too late to reassess your goals and strategies to try again, excuse-free! Here is an iron-clad program to help you reach your goals in 2022. Let's make this year successful! Are you ready? Get your pen and pad and try the following:

- Be Specific
- Make your goals reachable
- Be positive
- Choose a time frame to reach each goal
- Purchase a large size wall calendar for your office and a pocket calendar (or your smart phone) and write on each month when you feel you can achieve your goal. For example, if you are a salesperson on commission and your income goal for 2022 is \$200,000, write on the calendar how much commission you would have to make each week.
- If you want to purchase a new car by a certain month, mark it on your calendar. Even if you have to work overtime or harder, just do it.

I have followed this program all my life and it has always helped me to achieve my goals, but we all know just making a list is not enough. Achieving our goals requires the right virtues, values, and chutzpah. Author Jim Owen, who appears in Cowboy magazines I subscribe to, lays out several virtues that can be beneficial to achieving your resolutions in "The Code of the West." Here are just a few. ***The Code of The West by Jim Owen***

- Take Pride In Your Work
- Be Tough, but Fair
- When You Make a Promise, Keep It!

Milton J. Paris, President Getting Ahead in Business, Sales and Marketing Consultant, Management Coach, Motivational Speaker and Radio Host brings a wealth of experience to the table as a result of building businesses for the past 50 years. He has coached/consulted CEO's, Presidents, entrepreneurs, salespeople and start-ups.

Milton's insights and philosophy have also helped people and their business results. Milton travels with salespeople to visit potential clients. This is all to be accomplished within an environment that puts a premium on taking personal responsibility for results.

No company is too small or too large for him to achieve rapid results in their business development. Milton for the past 15 years has been the host of Getting Ahead in Business on Fox Sports New Jersey 93.5/1450am every Sunday at 11:00am. The only business radio talk show in New Jersey.

Listen to Milton, but most important make an appointment with him to make 2021/2022 a banner year!

NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE WITH MILTON ON BOARD!

Any business questions e-mail Milton : milton@gettingaheadinbusiness.com

New GPS-Like Technology to Detect & Help Treat Lung Cancer at Hackensack University Medical Center



Press Release

As we approach this Lung Cancer Awareness Month, a time to encourage the importance of lung health, lung cancer is still the leading cause of cancer death for both men and women in the country, in part because it is so difficult to detect early.

Certain lung lesions may be at high risk for complications or impossible to detect with traditional biopsy methods. As a result, lung cancer can be advanced before it is even detected.

While lung cancer screening and CT scans have been able to detect abnormalities or potential cancers in the lung earlier, now, lung specialists have a new tool. Called Ion, the novel technology enables thoracic surgeons and pulmonologists to navigate the human lung which consists of intricate tissue and a vast network of narrow and delicate airways to access hard-to-reach nodules. The minimally invasive, robotic-assisted tool, shown in this video, can help doctors identify lung cancers earlier and more accurately than with existing technologies, allowing patients to start effective treatment sooner and obtain better outcomes - nobody

knows this better than lung cancer survivor Kathleen Keenan Weil.

"Nearly 20 years ago I was diagnosed with lung cancer after doctors cut 8 inches from just under my right armpit down to my rib cage," explains Kathleen who recently developed a new lung cancer. "This time, the biopsy was performed with the assistance of the Ion which pinpointed the cancer so my doctor could create a treatment plan and I could get on with my life."

"It makes all the difference in the world," says thoracic surgeon, Dr. Geoffrey Pelz, who compares working with the technology to driving with a GPS. "The Ion is so advanced, it helps guide you directly where you need to go, anywhere in the lung. I can use the technology either for biopsy, or to put dye in the lung nodule to localize it. In combination with the DaVinci Surgical Robot, I can resect the nodule in question during the same trip to the operating room saving time and unnecessary steps for the patients. It allows me to perform more lung sparing surgeries and help patients recover much faster and get back to living their lives cancer free."



Single-Use Plastic Straws to Only Be Provided Upon Request, Effective Thursday, Nov. 4, To Help Fight Plastic Pollution

Press Release 10/28/21

TRENTON — A provision of New Jersey's commitment to reduce plastics pollution statewide will take effect on Thursday, Nov. 4 when food-service businesses may provide single-use plastic straws to a customer only upon request, the Department of Environmental Protection and NJ Business Action Center announced today.

Food-service businesses includes all restaurants, convenience stores and fast-food businesses, each of which must also educate their employees and customers about the restriction. Consumers will still be able to purchase packages of

straws and beverages prepackaged with a straw, such as juice boxes, after Nov. 4.

The restriction on single-use plastic straws is part of a broader state law enacted in 2020 banning the sale or provision of single-use plastic carryout bags from stores and food-service businesses; single-use paper carryout bags from grocery stores larger than or equal to 2,500 square feet; and use of polystyrene foam food-service products. These additional provisions of the law take effect on May 4, 2022 and will supersede any established local laws at that time.

"When we move beyond sin-

gle-use plastics, we can reduce our reliance on the fossil fuels that create plastic, remove a source of litter from our communities, and protect wild and marine life from the harm of ingesting or becoming entangled in plastic products," DEP Commissioner Shawn M. LaTourette said.

The DEP, NJ Business Action Center and the NJ Clean Communities Council are working together to help businesses and communities understand and comply with the law. A new website at www.nj.gov/dep/plastic-ban-law/ includes helpful information for regulated entities, including a Frequently

Asked Questions page, a list of establishments and how the law impacts them, a copy of the law, and more.

"The ban was designed to address the problem of plastic pollution with solutions to protect the environment for future generations," said Melanie Willoughby, executive director of the New Jersey Business Action Center. "To assist businesses with compliance, the NJ Business Action Center (NJBAC) has rolled out resources on our website and encourages businesses to keep track of important timelines."

Additionally, the NJ Business Action Center has created

a clearinghouse at <https://business.nj.gov/bags/vendorclearinghouse> to aid businesses in identifying vendors and manufacturers who sell the reusable carryout bags permitted by the new law.

To learn more about the Clean Communities Council's Bag Up NJ campaign, visit www.bagupnj.com.

For a video about BagUp NJ, visit www.youtube.com/watch?v=uxxIrduoSk

Follow Commissioner LaTourette on Twitter and Instagram @shawnlatur and follow the DEP on Twitter @NewJersey-DEP.

Woodbridge Public Library Events

Some of our programs this month will be in-person. We will also continue to stream the programs live over Zoom. Please make sure to check which format the presentation will be presented in.

November 1 | 12PM | Main Library
Reference Solutions - Lunch and Learn
Reference Solutions is a powerful online data tool available for FREE through the library. Presented by Bill Carlson of Data Axle - Reference Solutions. Registration Required.

November 4 | 7PM | Virtual Program
Preserving Family Photographs
In this slide lecture, Gary Saretzky, Archivist at the Monmouth County Archives, will provide guidance on how the life of family photographs can be extended so that they can be passed down to future generations. Registration Required - <https://bit.ly/2YC76mz>

November 8 | 7PM | Main Library
Medicare Workshop
This workshop presented by Michael Salum of Medicare Planning Services will give you the 2021 Medicare information you need. Registration Required - <https://bit.ly/2WUrkaX>

November 9 | 1PM | Main Library
Pre-Diabetes and Diabetes Awareness
Tracy Coyle, RDN, CDCES of the JFK Diabetes and Nutrition Center will discuss signs and symptoms of Pre-Diabetes and Diabetes and what you can do about it. Registration Required - <https://bit.ly/2Yw9ieW>

November 18 | 7PM | Main Library
Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia
Join Nicolette Vasco of the Alzheimer's Association Greater New Jersey Chapter to learn more about Alzheimer's and dementia. Registration Required - <https://bit.ly/3BsQUpN>

November 22 | 7PM | Main Library
Covid-19 Special Enrollment Program [PRESENTED IN SPANISH]
Join us for a seminar that will provide you with important information on how to obtain affordable health insurance through the NJ GETCOVERED marketplace and how to use your health insurance. Registration Required - <https://bit.ly/3pmf3rd>

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Movie Review: Dune



By: Anton Massopust III
“Fear is the mind-killer, that brings little death. I will let it wash over me until only I remain.”

If you remember the original Dune that was made in the 1980s, you probably thought it was just this weird science fiction movie that a lot of sci-fi fans would talk about or the epic book it was based upon written in 1965. So, now with up-to-date technology the epic story of Dune comes back to the big screen.

The story of Dune is about a group of factions and families fighting over the control of spice, a mysterious mineral that only dwells on one planet in the universe called Arrakis. It's a dangerous world inhabited by giant worms. The factions are the Duke Leto Atreides (Oscar Isaac) and his family, and his young son, Paul Atreides (Timothée Chalamet) who has connections to the Bene Gesserit, witches the tell Paul that he is the chosen one (Kwisatz Haderach) and must go through a series of tests in order to fulfill the prophecy and lead his people do a new era of paradise.

The young prince, Paul Atreides has strange visions about the future and is tested by the witches make sure that he's the guy that they think he is. The other factions are the Baron Vladimir Harkonnen (Stellan Skarsgard) and his nephew Beast Rabban Harkonnen (Dave Bautista) who wants to control the spice so all the wealth that the spice brings will go to them. The spice is very important because it can make you stronger or clairvoyant or enable you to navigation of space (by folding space) possible. But the Emperor Shaddam IV of House Corrino is playing another game and letting these factions work itself out by fighting themselves to the death.

Dune is going to be made into a trilogy of movies with two more coming (one sequel is already greenlighted). The novel is huge, and the new movie gives you that other-worldly feel like you're on another planet. Even the music score has that feel. It has really great cinematography, and great special effects with all the different types of vehicles including sandcrawlers, fighters, and spaceships. The acting is first-rate, and Jesus Mamoia (who plays Paul's bodyguard, Duncan Idaho) and Dave Bautista are some actors in this who you might recognize. Dune casts a long shadow and influences many other science fiction and fantasy stories including Star Trek, Star Wars, Doctor Who, and Game of Thrones. How does this compare to the 1984 version or the 2000 Sci-fi Channel TV miniseries? I think it's a lot better with today's technology. Dividing the story into several parts to give a little more time to develop the characters and story gives you more time to understand what is going on. The 1984 David Lynch version let you sink or swim out in the desert. It was trying to tackle a way too much in one movie.

If you're big science-fiction fan, you going to enjoy this new version of Dune. If you are a fan of the book, you might enjoy this more as well. It's definitely worth the trip to the theater or download.

Governor Murphy Appoints Watson to Board of Trustees

Press Release 10/29/21
MONMOUTH COUNTY, NJ - The Brookdale Board of Trustees welcomed Natalie S. Watson as she was sworn in by General Counsel Mr. Matthew Giacobbe as the newest member during the October public meeting. Her wife Sheila Hatami-Watson stood with her as their son Alexander held the bible. Governor Murphy appointed Watson to serve the State of New Jersey as a Brookdale Community College Board of Trustees member. Her term continues until October 31, 2024.

Watson is a veteran litigator partner at McCarter & English. She has counseled larger institutions of higher education on compliance with state and federal laws and regulations governing anti-harassment, anti-bullying, anti-discrimination, and LGBTQ-inclusion.

A member of the Steering Committee of the firm's Women's Initiative and its Diversity & Inclusion Committee, Watson actively works to strengthen McCarter's use of diversity in serving its clients.

Watson is involved with numerous professional, legal, charitable, and educational communities and was appointed by the New Jersey Theatre Alliance's Star Award for "outstanding dedication and leadership as the Alliance's Board President for the past six years." Watson was also commended for her work on diversity and cultural access initiatives.

She received her undergraduate degree from Bryn Mawr College, received her JD from Rutgers Law School, and has a Healthcare Compliance Certificate from Seton Hall University School of Law. Her bar admissions are in NJ, NY, PA, and DC.



Natalie S. Watson and Sheila Hatami-Watson with their son Alexander holding the bible. **Photo Submitted*

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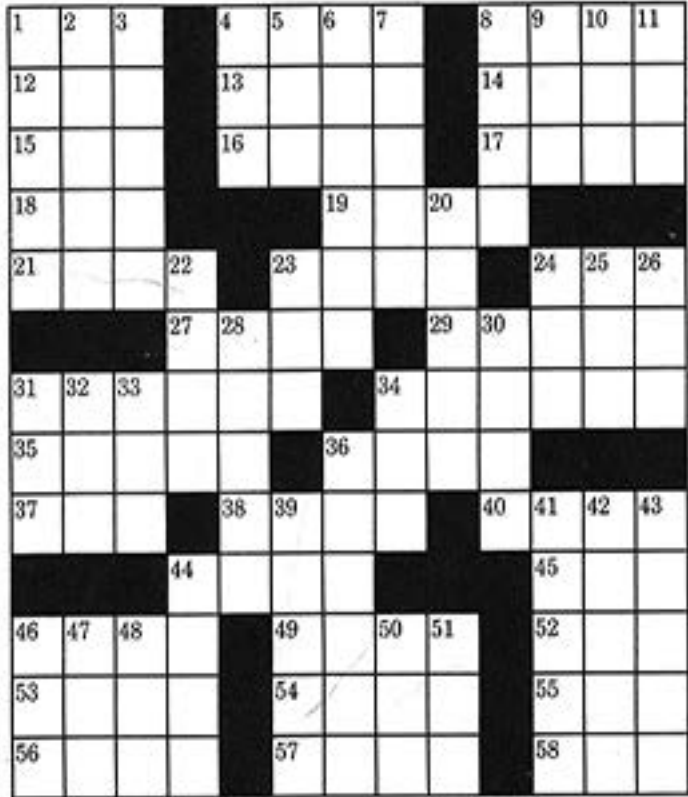
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Novena to St. Rita

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

PERTH AMBOY – The Friends of Perth Amboy Free Public Library are having a meeting at the Kearny Cottage, 63 Catalpa Ave., Perth Amboy at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, 2021. All are welcome to attend.

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See with Art

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Lesson Presented by South Amboy Arts Alliance's Director, Joan M Conway, BFA, MFA, MEA

A.C. Bus Trip
Holy Rosary Seniors

HOPELAWN – The Holy Rosary Seniors are sponsoring a bus trip to Resorts Casino, Atlantic City, Tuesday, 12/7/2021. Cost is \$35 with \$20 back in play. Bus leaves our parking lot (625 Florida Grove Rd.) promptly at 10:00 a.m. For more information, please call Connie at 732-442-4978.



A.C. Bus Trip
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San Salvador Seniors

PERTH AMBOY - The San Salvador Seniors are sponsoring a bus trip to Resorts Casino in Atlantic City on Thursday, NOV. 4, 2021. Bus will depart from behind St. Stephen's Church (St. John Paul II) Parking Lot on Mechanic Street, Perth Amboy at 11 a.m. Cost: \$30 per person; \$20 back in slot play For more information, call Joe at 732-826-0819. Masks are required to be worn on the bus.

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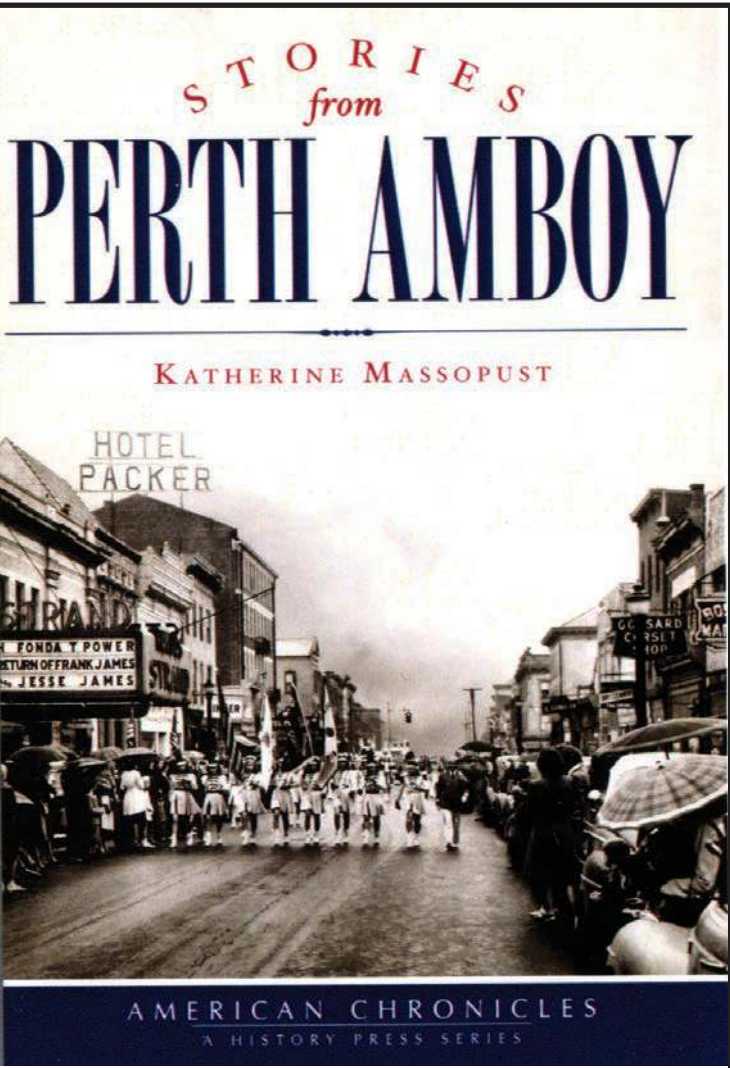
LOOKING BACK



PERTH AMBOY – Garfield Fire Department, circa 1960's

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