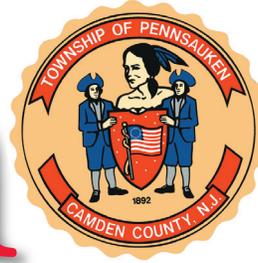


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Sixth Pennsauken Job Fair Scheduled For September 27

Attention job seekers: Pennsauken Township, the Business, Industry, and Government Council of Pennsauken, Living Faith Christian Center, the Pennsauken-Merchantville Area Chamber of Commerce, and Dunkin' Donuts are hosting the Township's sixth annual job fair on Friday, Sept. 27. The event, held from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Living Faith Christian Center, located at 2323 Rt. 73 in Pennsauken, will allow individuals to connect with local businesses and organizations with open positions.

"Pennsauken's Economic Development team works diligently to provide opportunities to both the business community and job seekers. Our annual Job Fair brings them together," says Pennsauken Mayor Betsy McBride. "In fact, many individuals have been hired right on the spot in previous years."

At last year's job fair, hundreds of job seekers met with almost two dozen local businesses and organizations looking for hires. Many of the companies participating in the job fair expressed how impressed they were with the candidates they spoke with.

"We've had a lot of businesses that look forward to coming back to Pennsauken's job fair each year due to the amount of qualified candidates the event attracts," says Larry Cardwell, Pennsauken Township Department of Economic Development. "Our job fair really benefits both local employers and job seekers."

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Classic Vehicles, Family Fun, And Football All Part Of Annual Car, Bike, And Craft Show

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

Hot rods, classic bikes, family fun, and football will be hallmarks of Pennsauken Township's 27th annual Car, Bike, and Craft Show. Held on Sunday, Sept. 22, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., show participants line up and down part of the "Maple Mile," starting at Pinsetter Bar & Bowl, 7111 Maple Ave., and stretching down towards Union Ave.

"Every year, we have hundreds of cars and bikes participate, from classic vehicles to the latest models. There are a lot of award categories and plenty of trophies to present," says Elwood "Duke" Martz, head of the Township's Parks and Recreation
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Hundreds of cars and bikes will line Maple Ave. as part of Pennsauken's 27th annual Car, Bike, and Craft Show, held on Sunday, Sept. 22.

Pennsauken Prepares For Annual 9/11 Observance



Volunteers are needed to assist with Pennsauken's annual 9/11 observance. Since 2003, members of the community have gathered to place almost 3,000 flags for those who lost their lives during the terror attacks 18 years ago.

Volunteers are needed to assist with Pennsauken's annual observance of the terrorist attacks committed on September 11, 2001.

Each year, 2,997 American flags, one for each individual who lost their life during the attacks, are placed throughout Pennsauken's 9/11 Memorial, located at the corner of Merchantville Ave. and Rt. 130, across the street from the Township's Municipal Building and the Pennsauken Free Public Library.

Volunteers are needed to help distribute the flags on Tuesday, Sept. 10, at 11:45 p.m. and remove them on Wednesday, Sept. 11, at 11:45 p.m. Those wishing to participate on either day are asked to arrive by
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Browning Road Senior Club

The Browning Road Senior Club invites local seniors to come and meet on the first and third Wednesdays of every month. Meetings are held at Temple Lutheran Church, 5600 Route 130, Pennsauken at 1:00 p.m. Refreshments are served; there will be a short meeting followed by BINGO. For more information, call Pat at (609) 790-6760.

PASA

The Pennsauken Alliance on Substance Abuse (PASA) meets on the second Wednesday of each month. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, Sept. 11, 7:00 p.m., at Temple Lutheran Church,

5600 N. Crescent Blvd. Pennsauken. PASA works to increase community awareness about substance abuse, as well as provide prevention programs. The public is invited to attend.

Town Watch

Pennsauken's Town Watch hosts its next meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 11, 7:30 p.m., at the Pennsauken Police Department, Second Floor. Come learn how to make our community safer. For more information, call (856) 488-0080 ext. 2417.

American Legion

American Legion Fredrick W. Griggs

Post 68 will meet on Thursday, Sept. 12, 7:00 p.m., at the Merchantville Community Center, 212 Somerset Ave. All veterans who served during qualifying conflicts are welcome to join. The Post has an Auxiliary Unit which also meets at 7:00 p.m. at the same location. Any ladies who are the spouse or the daughter of a veteran are welcome to join.

Good Times Oldies Band

The Good Times Oldies Band will be performing at VFW Post 1270, 2324 Penn St., Pennsauken, on Saturday, Sept. 14. Buffet dinner begins at 6:00 p.m.; show time is at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25 per person; limited seating is available. For more information, or to purchase tickets, call (856) 317-9081.

Farmer And Food Market

Pennsauken's Farmer and Food Mar-

ket offers a retail marketplace where attendees can shop a variety of produce, crafts, and more. The last market of the season will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 17, 4:00 to 7:00 p.m., at the Township's Municipal Building, 5605 N. Crescent Blvd. For more information, visit "Pennsauken Farmer & Food Market" on Facebook.

PHS All Years Alumni Lunch Get Together

PHS Alumni from all years are invited to a monthly lunch at the Penn Queen Diner, 7349 Rt. 130, Pennsauken. This month's lunch is on Wednesday, Sept. 18, at 1:30 p.m. For more information, contact Norma at (856) 220-5597.

Half Century Jets

This senior group meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month at 1:30 p.m. in

St. Cecilia's School Hall, 4851 Camden Ave., Pennsauken. This month's meeting will be on Sept. 24. For more information, call (856) 662-2721.

PENNSAUKEN SEPTEMBER PUBLIC MEETINGS

Township Committee
5:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5 and 19

Zoning Board of Adjustment
7:00 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 4, and 18

Planning Board
6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 3 and 24

Meetings are open to the public and are held at the Pennsauken Municipal Building 5605 Crescent Blvd. (At the corner of Route 130 and Merchantville Avenue)

Camden County Fair Held September 21 And 22

The Camden County Fair, presented by the Board of Camden County Freeholders, will be held on Sept. 21 and 22 at the County Fairgrounds at 508 Lakeland Rd. in Gloucester Township.

Free to both attend and park, the Camden County Fair features face painting, pony rides, 4-H demonstrations, and more. Attendees can buy a pass for amusement rides at \$2 per ride, as well as enjoy continuous entertainment from local talent, bands, singers, and dancers. Sample fabulous food from a variety of

food trucks; check out exhibitors and vendors; play carnival games; and visit the 4H tent and petting zoo.

Military and public safety personnel are eligible to a free unlimited rides wristband. Wristbands will be available at the Camden County Welcome Tent. The offer is open to veterans, active duty, military, gold star families, public safety personnel and first responders; individuals must show proof of service.

For more information, visit www.camdencounty.com/event/2019-camden-county-fair-2.

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MAYOR'S I Am A Green Lady

CORNER



By Betsy McBride,
Mayor of
Pennsauken
Township

I admit it. I am an environmentalist; a conservationist; a nature-loving, litter-hating, friend of the planet. In fact, in some Township Committee meetings, I am jokingly (mostly) referred to as, "The Green Lady." As your mayor, I hereby resolve to correct that name. I am "A" Green Lady. There are many of us out there and the numbers are growing. Because of that – we are growing greener. I truly believe that, as heads of households, women are the key to a greener Pennsauken. It's tough work, but green ladies are tough too.

Women are the first educators of children. We are the ones who teach about

trash, who insist on trash cans as the only place our food wrappers belong. It's a proven fact that "littering starts early," but good trashing habits do too. Moms, aunts, sisters, and grandmothers, we need to teach the young'uns, so we don't have to harass the 10-year-old kids when they are putting plastic bags in the recycling can; when they're not washing out the aluminum cans; when they're running the water for an hour; or, yes, when they litter. We know how hard it can be to fight teenagers about chores. We make it easier on ourselves, and on the planet, when we teach good habits early.

Now, more than ever, it's important to teach ourselves (or relearn) good recycling habits. The Township is getting our recycled loads turned away at the recycling center because items in our loads aren't approved – mostly PLASTIC

BAGS. So, think before you toss it in the yellow recycle can the Township provides AND teach your children well. Is that a song? I digress.

Anyway, I am a Green Lady, who also hates weeds. This is not a conflict of interest. Even though they are green, weeds are ugly, intrusive, and actually kill good plants and bushes by strangling them. I happen to think weeds make Pennsauken's gardens and walkways look terrible, but spending a hot Saturday pulling weeds is NOT something I consider fun in the sun! I suggest you spray your weeds, but I am asking you to please not resort to using pesticides. Pesticides are over used; and when it rains, they run off the land and into our water systems killing organisms and fish along the way. Try my recipe for weed killer and do your part to beautify your prop-

erty, and Pennsauken, while saving the fish and loving the planet.

- Homemade Weed Killer
- 1 Gallon White Vinegar
- 2 Cups Epsom Salt
- ¼ Cup Dawn Dish Soap (original)

Put in a sprayer and mix. Wait for the dew to evaporate and spray. Don't hit the flowers. It's great for weeds in sidewalk cracks and along your curb/street line.

In a larger context, the Township is actively greening. We will soon be transforming the Delaware Gardens Park at River Rd. and 49th Street, removing invasive species of plants (weeds) and creating a trail to Tippin's Pond. We will also

be entering the design phase of a project to clean up the abandoned rail bed along Chestnut Ave., between 36th Street and 43rd Street, and create a trail for active recreation that will connect with the Merchantville Mile. Both projects are grant funded and just two ways we are working to create a greener, healthier future for our families.

As your mayor and a long-time resident of the town I love, I will strive to always be A GREEN LADY. I welcome all comments and suggestions to help us walk more gently – each day – on this great planet we all share. Send comments to: agreenlady@twp.pennsauken.nj.us.

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Cherry Hill – Investor/Handyman Special!

Classic Barlow Bungalow, easily add a 3rd bedroom. Centrally located and close to everything! Low taxes!! As solid as they come. This home has great bones. There's a recent survey, C/O, clear title and even WDI cert. Ugly as heck but a true diamond in the rough. Here's your chance to own a great home in a wonderful neighborhood or flip it and make a few bucks. \$134,900.



Medford – Bring your canoe!

Old World Charm meets Modern Day Style. You will fall in Love with this newly renovated Colonial in Historic Medford. This home features three bedrooms and two and a half baths, a bright new Eat-In-Kitchen (appliances to be installed). Hardwood flooring throughout. Cozy open front port and a beautiful back yard backing to the Rancocas Creek. \$267,900



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Deptford –

Two story bungalow located on a dead end street in Deptford. Close to shopping and dining. Raised the roof some years back and created two large bedrooms upstairs with walk-in closets and full bath, enlarged the living room, eat in kitchen and another bedroom and full bath on first floor. Full basement with tons of storage and could be finished if you needed more room. Does need some improvements but over all a great home with a little TLC this would be an amazing home. \$150,000



West Deptford – Large Private Lot

Lovely home with long driveway leading up to a two car detached garage. Enter into a great enclosed porch. Spacious living room and an updated kitchen with newer cabinets, stainless steel appliances, granite counter-tops with a ceramic back-splash. Three nice size bedrooms and remodeled bath all on the first floor. The basement has been completely finished and offers a kitchen and 3 more rooms and a full bath. With its own entrance to rear patio. Very close to 295 and Philly bridges and only about 30 min to Del. This home is USDA eligible! \$220,000



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WAGSWORLD An Extremely Busy September For Myself And Hopefully, The Bride

By Bob Wagner,
AAP Columnist

A very busy month is here. The first few days, starting with Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, brings the Vietnam War Traveling Tribute Wall to Cooper River Park. From Sept. 5 through Sept. 8, ceremonies are scheduled every day honoring our county's veterans. Come out and spend some time recognizing the contributions our now senior citizen vets made in the turbulent 60's and 70's in the Vietnam War. I'll be there with my fellow vets, talking about those times and showcasing some of the "stuff they carried." Give a visit, and say a long overdue "Welcome Home!"

Not long after the bash at the river, the annual car show on Maple Ave. rolls into town. Sunday, Sept. 22 will find me seeking some shade, where I can sit next to the long awaited unveiling of the '48 Willys Jeep.

It has come to my attention, after speaking to readers of this column, that



Photographic proof that both Bob Wagner's friend, Jones, and the Willys Jeep exist.

many of you do not believe the Willys actually exists. There are even folks who don't believe that my friend and fellow conspirator, Joe Jones, exists. Well, the

proof will be at the show, if God's willing and the creek don't rise.

Jones has been working through the heat and rain, wiring, sweating, and occasionally using inappropriate language, trying to meet the show deadline. I have been sitting by his side, redirecting the fan, moving the light, and fetching cool water.

Watching Jones hard at work, I noticed just how serious he was when I realized we hadn't played a song in days. The guitar, banjo, and harmonicas are getting dusty in the corner. After I finish this column, I will meet Jones and friend,

Mark, for what may be the final wiring test before starting the old Willys. Then gas tank, fuel and, hopefully, running down the road.

If not, I have warned all who will listen, that the Jeep will get towed to Maple Ave., behind my pretend Army Jeep. Come out and meet the man, the legend, and probably a few hundred other neat cars and trucks. And, with any luck, the bride.

My sweet baboo, after much healing, is due out in public. The evil and broken foot has been sliced, diced, wired, and wrapped all summer. Healing has been

slow and steady. No beach sand or waves have washed over those toes in months. The heavy boot and Velcro straps are gone. The little scooter with knee rest is parked. The walker is leaning in the basement. And I, the caregiver, have learned which pans are for what meals. I also know the difference between darks and whites. And the freezer is showing signs of clearing out. I hope to spend a lot of time driving the bride to the beach, where she can make up for lost time. That's a lot of stuff to cram into one month. Wish us luck!

Tree Planting At Gateway Park On October 5

The New Jersey Tree Foundation and New Jersey Conservation Foundation invite the local community for a River Days tree planting at Gateway Park, 2798 Admiral Wilson Blvd., Pennsauken. Held on Saturday, Oct. 5, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Volunteers should wear sturdy, close-toed shoes and bring their enthusiasm! Snacks and refreshments will be provided.

River Days is a six-week series of events celebrating the Delaware River and its tributaries, the source of clean drinking water for 15 million people in New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware. Seeking to transform area residents into environmental stewards for their local waterways, River Days, through 30 distinct events, will provide recreational opportunities and hands-on learning activities to attendees, and teach them about simple steps they can take in order to improve water quality throughout the Delaware River watershed. River Days is hosted by a newly formed network of environmental edu-



A River Days tree planting will be held at Pennsauken's Gateway Park on Saturday, Oct. 5. Photo credit: Alliance for Watershed Education of the Delaware River.

cation centers located on or nearby the Delaware River waterways, aiming to preserve and protect the waterways and the lands nearby, and the crucial habitat they provide for hundreds of species of

plants and animals.

To sign up for the tree planting at Gateway Park, or for more information, e-mail justin.dennis@njconservation.org.

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Sixth Annual Pennsauken Harvest Festival Held On October 12

Pennsauken Township, in association with the Pennsauken Firefighters Association, will host the sixth annual Pennsauken Harvest Festival on Saturday, Oct. 12. This annual event, held from noon to

4:00 p.m. at the Pennsauken Community Recreation Complex on Westfield Ave., brings the Township community together with a family-friendly atmosphere and great musical performances.

"As we celebrate the 50th anniversary of Woodstock this year, we'll be featur-

ing the great music of that era during the Harvest Festival, with the help of local performers," says Duke Martz, Pennsauken's Department of Parks and Recreation. "In addition, the Pennsauken Fire Department will be holding demonstrations as part of Fire Prevention Month."

The Harvest Festival will continue to feature a variety of vendors and crafters, as well as a variety of family-friendly activities, including face painting, balloon twisting, and pumpkin decorating, among others. New this year, participants will be able to enjoy hay rides during the event.

Craft and community vendors, as well as volunteers, are needed for this event. A limited number of food vendors are also being sought. The rain date is Sunday, Oct. 13; all vendors and volunteers are asked to hold both dates. For more information, event planners can be contacted by e-mailing arlenemink@comcast.net.

Polish-American Festival Held On Sept. 28

Saint Peter Roman Catholic Church, 43 W. Maple Ave., Merchantville, is hosting its first-ever Polish-American Festival on Saturday, Sept. 28. Held from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. in Pastors' Hall, the event features Polish food; performances by Polkadelphia, the Janosik Polish Dance

Ensemble, and a guest appearance by the Aqua String Band; beer and wine; polka dancing; and more. Tickets are \$40 per person and proceeds benefit parish initiatives.

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PSE&G Warns About Ongoing Phone Scams

PSE&G wants to alert New Jersey residents and businesses that scammers have spoofed one of the company's phone numbers in attempt to obtain personal information from customers. The utility has been receiving inquiries from customers returning calls they received from a PSE&G phone number that appeared on their caller I.D.

In light of this recent activity, if you receive an unexpected call from PSE&G in the coming days, you should hang up as it may be a scammer. If you have

pending business with PSE&G, such as an appointment or payment notice, call them back on the number provided on your bill, or call their customer service line, 800-436-PSEG (7734).

When a scammer pretends to work for PSE&G, they will often request personal data, such as credit card information or account passwords. Never provide this type of personal information. When a customer calls PSE&G to conduct account business, PSE&G has numerous secure methods for verifying

customer information.

Callers have recently reported that scammers have asked for personal information to obtain a meter reading, provide discounts on your PSE&G bill, or verify debit and credit cards on file. Such tactics are known utility scams, the most popular of which is a demand for immediate payment to avoid service termination. Before terminating service, PSE&G alerts customers in a number of ways: messages on their bill, letters and phone calls. PSE&G would never demand a specific type of payment nor threaten immediate service termination. While there are many ways to pay a PSE&G bill, the utility only accepts credit card and pre-paid card payments through Western Union Speedpay, which charges a \$3.95 processing fee.

To learn more about scams and how to protect yourself, visit pseg.com/scamalert.

GotCut? Barbershop Holds Back-To-School Event



GotCut? Barbershop on River Rd. held its annual back-to-school event last month, offering free haircuts, school supplies, backpacks, children's activities, and more.

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Last Chance To Register For Town Wide Yard Sale

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

Time is running out to register for Pennsauken's town wide yard sale, Saturday, Sept. 28. Running from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., the event is a great opportunity for residents to clean out their homes while making some cash in the process.

"Yard sales are a great opportunity to practice the three R's. Recycle, Reduce, Reuse," says Pennsauken Mayor Betsy McBride. "Keep it out of the landfill, find a good home, and make money... all while meeting neighbors and/or exploring town. See you out there!"

Sign up for the town wide yard sale occurs at the Pennsauken Township Municipal Building, 5605 N. Crescent



Blvd., during normal business hours. The donation per household is \$15. Participating homes will need to fill out a simple form available in the Clerk's Office; these addresses will be inputted into a customized, printable Google map, which will be made available just prior to the yard sale at the Pennsauken Township Municipal Building, the Pennsauken Free Public Library, Pinsetter Bar and Bowl, 7111 Maple Ave.; Meadowbrook Farmer's Market, 3008

Union Ave.; Macaro's Deli, 6225 Westfield Ave.; and La Cocina Latin Cuisine, 5010 Westfield Ave.. The map will also be available online at the Township's website, twp.pennsauken.nj.us, as well as AllAroundPennsauken.com. During the week prior to the yard sale, participating

residents – those who donated \$15 – can pick up a yard sign, balloons, and map.

The deadline for registering is Friday, September 6, 2019. Checks can be made out to Pennsauken Township, with "Town Wide Yard Sale" written in the memo section. A portion of the registration fee

will be used to support Pennsauken Township community events. In case of inclement weather, the rain date of the event is Saturday, Oct. 5.

For more information, visit the Township's website at twp.pennsauken.nj.us.

Fourth Annual Toy And Collectible Street Fair Held On September 21

Play With This Toys & Collectibles is presenting the fourth annual Toy and Collectible Street Fair on Saturday, Sept. 21, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Held along West Park Ave. in Merchantville, the event showcases a variety of new and vintage toys, games, and collectibles for sale. In addition, the toy and collectible street fair features special appearances from some superhero favorites; and more. The rain date is Saturday, Sept. 28.

For more information, visit "Play With This Toys & Collectibles" on Facebook.



Special appearances from some superhero favorites are hallmarks of the annual Toy and Collectible Street Fair, held this year on Sept. 21.

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Pennsauken Lions Club Announce 2019 Citizens Of The Year

Each year, the Pennsauken Lions Club presents its Citizen of the Year award, given to people who have volunteered their time and effort to the betterment of Pennsauken. This year, the Lions Club is pleased to announce that Janet Stevens and Tom McCue have been selected as co-recipients of the award.

Janet Stevens has been a volunteer with the Girl Scouts of America for over 30 years and is currently the properties chairman for the organization in Central and Southern New Jersey. Stevens is involved in the Pennsauken Community Garden, the town's annual Harvest Festival, and serves as a member of the Pennsauken Library Strategic Planning Committee. She



Janet Stevens and Tom McCue are co-recipients of the Pennsauken Lions Club 2019 Citizens of the Year award.

is also treasurer of the Pennsauken Merchantville Area Chamber of Commerce.

Tom McCue just completed his 20th year of Boy Scout summer camp with Troop 118, which serves Pennsauken and Merchantville youth. McCue first got involved with the Cub Scouts with his two sons and went on to be a den leader. He

then did double duty when his oldest moved on to the Boy Scout Troop. In 2003, he became scoutmaster and remained with the Troop even after both of his sons left Scouting. He remained involved with Cub Scout Pack 116, helping with the dens, teaching knife skills and pinewood derby car building. He invented the "500 Club" for Scouts partic-

ipating in the Pinewood Derby with cars that weigh 5 ounces. McCue even helped out as a parent in the Girl Scouts while his daughters were involved.

The dinner to honor Janet and Tom will be held on Monday, Sept. 30, at the PYAA Field House on Marion and Elm avenues. Gathering time will be between 6:00 and 6:25 p.m.; festivities will begin

6:30 p.m. with an opening flag ceremony by some of Tom's Boy Scouts. Everyone will enjoy a delicious buffet dinner prepared by Macaro's Catering. If you would be interested in attending the dinner, cost is \$35.00 per person.

Please RSVP to Mary Anne McFarland at pennsaukenlionsclub@comcast.net or 856) 441-5992.

The "Eyes" Have It! Lions Preparing For Vision Screenings

The Pennsauken Lions Club is working on their upcoming FREE eye screening schedule and plan on going to all of Pennsauken's elementary schools as well as other businesses, such as day cares. This year, the Lions will screen students up to second grade; and permission slips will be going home at the beginning of school year. The permission slips must be returned to the school nurses by Friday, Sept. 27. Eye screenings will start on Tuesday, Oct. 1.

The tentative schedule is:

- Oct. 1 – Carson
- Oct. 2 – Delair
- Oct. 3 – Fine
- Oct. 8 – Franklin
- Oct. 10 – Baldwin
- Oct. 15 – Merchantville Elementary
- Oct. 16 – Little Angels Daycare and St Cecilia School

In addition, the Lions also plan on doing screenings at the Pennsauken Car, Bike, and Craft Show on Sept. 22 and the

Harvest Festival on Oct. 12. Eye screenings can only be done for children age 6 months or older. The Lions will have a permission slip available for parents to sign. No screenings can be done without written parental permission.

If you run a day care or another school (charter, parochial, etc.) and would like the Lions to come and do a screening, contact Mary Anne McFarland at PennsaukenLionsClub@comcast.net or call (856) 441-5992. They'd be happy to come to you and screen the kids.

These FREE eye screenings are done at the start of the school year, so issues with children's eyes can be identified early in their school career. Last year, the Lions screened over 700 children. Ten percent were found with eye issues, some with simple issues, like astigmatism, but others with more severe eye concerns. If the parent/guardian does not have insurance to cover an eye check up, the Pennsauken Lions Club will cover that

expense and purchase glasses if necessary. Parents must use the eye care specialist approved by the Lions.

Lions Eye Glass Donation "Mailbox"

So far this year, the Lions have collected 900 pairs of glasses through their white mailbox at the entrance of the Pennsauken Township Municipal Complex, 5605 N. Crescent Blvd. Sadly, they have also collected some mail that people accidentally deposited into the box. The mail was eventually delivered to the Post Office, but the Club wants everyone to know that the box is not checked weekly, or even monthly, so time sensitive mail placed in that box will most likely not meet the deadline. Please do not use this box for regular mail or trash! It is for eye glasses only. Donated glasses do not need to be in a case, because the company that refurbishes the glasses only wants the frames and lenses. No sunglasses or cases,

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please. Also, when you put glasses in the box, make sure they go in. The Lions have had people call to say the mailbox was full; but when checked, it was just that a group of glasses were stuck at the top and the box itself was only half full.

The Pennsauken Lions Club is open to anyone over 18 interested in serving their community. They meet on the first and third Mondays of the month at Macaro's Catering Hall on Westfield Ave. in Pennsauken, although the first meeting this month has been moved to Sept. 9 be-

cause of Labor Day. Appetizers and cocktails are at 6:00 p.m.; dinner begins at 6:30 p.m.; and the meeting usually begins by 7:00 p.m. For more information, check out “Pennsauken Lions Club” on Facebook, e-mail pennsaukenlionsclub@comcast.net, or call (856) 441-5992.



Presentation On 10,000 Small Businesses Initiative At September Networking Luncheon

James W. Haile Jr., C.P.M., director, partnerships and outreach for the Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses (10KSB) initiative at Community College of Philadelphia, will be the guest speaker at the Pennsauken-Merchantville Area Chamber of Commerce's networking luncheon on Wednesday, Sept. 11, at the Pennsauken Country Club, 3800 Haddonfield Rd.

One of the original instructors of the program, Jim will discuss how this no-cost national 10KSB educational program drives business growth, increases job creation and induces the business owner to strategically work “on” their business, instead of working “in” their

business. He will discuss the curriculum, the network of business support, access to capital, and business growth achieved from some of the 480 alums within the tri-state region.

Haile will also discuss the application requirements, class schedules, and identify alumni in attendance.

Attendees are asked to R.S.V.P. to Nancy Ellis at (856) 438-0833 or pma1team@gmail.com by Monday, Sept. 9.



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Camden County Senior Health Fair Held On October 3

By Sonny DiSabato, Senior Citizen Coordinator

Hello fellow seniors. The annual Senior Citizen Health Awareness Fair will be held on Thursday, Oct. 3, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Crowne Plaza Cherry Hill, 2349 West Marlton Pike, Cherry Hill, N.J.

Each year, the Health Awareness Fair provides information to senior citizens throughout Camden County about all of the services that are available. The event also kicks off the County's flu shot program. Attendees will enjoy a day of free

entertainment, food, activities, and health screenings. Door prizes will also be awarded throughout the afternoon.

This event is presented by the Camden County Board of Freeholders and is free to Camden County residents 60 years old and over. Registration is required to attend the Senior Citizens Health Awareness Fair. To register, please call Senior Services at (856) 858-3220.

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GRAYMATTERS Singing Spectacular Songs In September

By Judith Kristen,
AAP Columnist

Do you know there are hundreds, and I mean hundreds upon hundreds, of songs written about the month of September?

For starters, there's "September Song," by Hoboken's own Frank Sinatra; "Maybe September," by Tony Bennett; and "September Morn," by Neil Diamond. Others come from solo artists and great bands such as: Elvis, Earth, Wind, and Fire, Green Day, Carole King, and Nat King Cole, to name a few.

As children, our first September songs actually start in September, to my recollection. And for me, it started in September of 1953, my first day in kindergarten. We sang our alphabet; learned all about "The Wheels on the Bus;" got to transform as we sang, "I'm a Little Teapot;" and found out exactly what happened to "The Itsy Bitsy Spider," who climbed up

the waterspout.

Music is a beautiful thing. And the earlier we are exposed to it, the better. Even if it's not September.

How many times have we all heard music called, "The Soundtrack of your Life," and you know exactly what the disc jockey meant when he said that. You hear a certain song and you immediately recall a particularly wonderful summer; a special holiday song that brings back a most precious moment to your heart; or something you used to call, "Your Song," that beautiful tune that reminds you of the very moment when you first fell in love.

And the benefits for all? It brings happiness and joy; we have fun as we sing along, dance, or tap our feet; and it's a great stress reliever. Just try singing that old "ABC" song, and I bet by the time you reach X, Y, and Z, you're feeling a whole lot better.

Music also helps memory skills, in young children as well as adults. Truthfully, there are days when I don't remember where my eye glasses are, until someone tells me they're sitting right on top of my head. Yet, I can recall every

single word to Chuck Berry's song, "Johnny B. Goode;" and that came out in 1958 when I was only ten years old! Sixty-one years later, and I can still sing that song word for word, as if the sheet music was right in front of me.

Maybe I should make up a little tune of my own about remembering where I put my glasses and my car keys.

I'll let you know how that works out! Peace and love and September songs all year round... ~Judith

Halloween Home Decorating Contest Returns This October



This October, Pennsauken's Department of Parks and Recreation and the Pennsauken Youth Action Committee will be holding a contest to identify the best Halloween decorations in town.

Beach balls have been put away and jack-o-lanterns will soon be dusted off; and the hunt will be on for the best Hal-

loween decorations in town. Sponsored by Pennsauken's Department of Parks and Recreation and the Pennsauken Youth Action Committee, the second annual Halloween Home Decorating Contest will recognize those homes that go all out for the spookiest time of the year. A team of guys and ghouls will be creeping around town to locate the most impressive expressions of Halloween spirit Pennsauken has to offer.

Prizes will be given to the first, second, and third place winners.

In order for decorated homes in Pennsauken to be considered for this year's contest, residents must submit their address using the form located at twp.pennsauken.nj.us/content/halloween-home-decorating-contest. Registration begins Tuesday, Oct. 1, and runs through Friday, Oct. 18.

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- Sept. 4 First Day of School, Early Dismissal
- Sept. 5 Early Dismissal
- Sept. 6 Early Dismissal
- Sept. 16 Back To School Night, Elementary Schools
- Sept. 17 Back To School Night, Intermediate School
- Sept. 18 Back To School Night, Phifer Middle School
- Sept. 19 Back To School Night, Pennsauken High School

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Senator Beach Visits Pennsauken High School



State Senator Jim Beach toured Pennsauken High School over the summer, learning about the District's growing CTE programs.



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PHS Students Travel To Wall Street



Prior to the end of the 2018-2019 school year, students from Pennsauken High School traveled to Wall Street in New York City. The visit was arranged by Mr. Partridge, head of Investment Solutions Specialists at Merrill Lynch and a PHS alumnus. Here, students spoke with Gerri Willis, a reporter for Fox Business News. Photo credit: Pennsauken High School Pennidian.

Carson's New Vestibule Now Open



Carson School is happy to announce that our new vestibule is open for business and we are using our main entrance once again! Our maintenance crew and secretaries have been hard at work, preparing Carson for September and the opening of school. Looking forward to seeing all our new and returning students and their families!

PHS Alumni Day Held On September 21

In September 1959, the first students entered Pennsauken High School. On Saturday, Sept. 21, the newly formed Pennsauken High School Alumni Association and the Pennsauken Township Board of Education will host a kick-off event celebrating 60 years of Pennsauken High School alumni.

Join us at Pennsauken High School, 800 Hylton Rd., for a family day of fun, food, and tours of the campus. Throughout the day, there will be sporting events, featuring the PHS field hockey team, boys and girls soccer, as well as volleyball teams from years past and current PHS athletes. In addition to the sporting events, there will be activities, such as bounce houses, games, an alumni parade, and much more.

To conclude the day, the PHS Indians football team will play on the new turf field under the lights at 6:00 p.m., with the PHS Athletic Hall of Fame Ceremony occurring at halftime.

For more information, visit "Pennsauken HS Alumni Association" on Facebook.

Pennsauken School District To Poll Community On Night Courses

The Pennsauken School District is polling the local community on the interest of offering night courses for those looking to make a career change or in need of certification/licensure. Proposed courses would include automotive technology, electrical, welding, cosmetology, and HVAC.

An online survey will be posted on the District's website and will be active for several weeks. In addition, residents and school families can share their opinion during the upcoming back to school nights and alumni day.

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Welcome Back To Pennsauken Schools For Another Exciting Year

By Dr. Ronnie Tarchichi, MEd², M.S., M.B.S., M.A.², Ed.D., Superintendent, Pennsauken Public Schools

Welcome back to a wonderful new school year! It's an exciting time for the Pennsauken School District. We are in a time of growth and expansion that will truly meet the needs of our students and families. Pennsauken is reclaiming its rightful place as a powerhouse district, comprised of opportunity and top-quality academic prospects, along with career and technical readiness. We are excited to bring our students back and enrich their minds with memories, experiences and knowledge that will last a lifetime.

September brings many firsts. For our littlest students, they will be beginning their very first day of school by attending our full day pre-kindergarten program. We wish them – and their parents and guardians – well as they start this new and exciting journey with us.

At Pennsauken High School, we welcome the Class of 2023, starting their very first year of high school. These four years may seem like a long time, but they

will go faster than you think. Savor every moment and take advantage of the opportunities presented to you. Several new programs are available for the 2019-2020 school year: heating ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC), health occupations, as well as EMT and Fire Safety. These are excellent complements for our many CTE programs.

As for the Class of 2020, this school year will be bittersweet. The memories you make and the lessons you learn will last a lifetime. Make them count, and you will have laid the foundation of success for years to come. Be sure to take a look at and consider Pennsauken High School's brand new senior year option. As part of this program, students will be leaving the high school and attending Rowan College of Burlington County to earn up to 60 college credits before graduating.

This month, we are extremely excited to hold the home games for our Pennsauken Football Indians at our newly renovated Vince McNaney Field. I invite the Pennsauken community to come out and root for our team on the following dates, creating a strong home



The Pennsauken High School Football Indians are playing on a brand new turf field at Vince McNaney Stadium.

crowd:

- Sept. 6 vs. Paul VI
- Sept. 13 vs. Cherry Hill West
- Sept. 21 vs. Cumberland
- Sept. 27 vs. Cherry Hill East
- Oct. 4 vs. Kingsway
- Oct. 11 vs. Seneca

- Oct. 18 vs. Camden
- Nov. 1 vs. Triton
- Nov. 27 vs. Bishop Eustace

As we begin a new year of learning, let us continue to build meaningful partnerships that create opportunities for our students and community. My hope

is that this year, the connections between teachers, students, parents, and stakeholders in our children's education grow even stronger. Together, we will foster an educational environment that allows our students to thrive socially, academically, and intellectually.

The focus of Pennsauken Public Schools is academic and career planning in order to create a sustainable relationship between academic and life experiences. We invite the Pennsauken community to join us, as we work with our talented, energetic students and prepare them for a future of success.

Spend Time With The Super

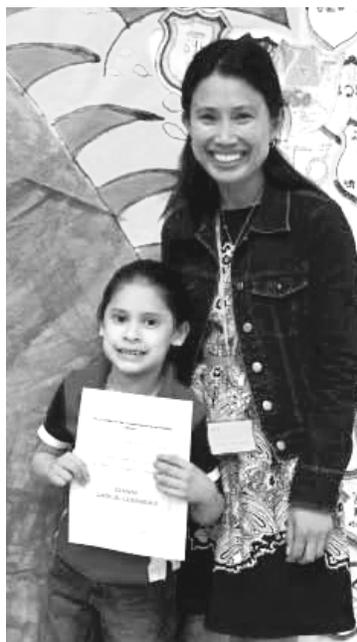
Please join me each month for "Coffee and Questions with the Superintendent," which takes place on Thursdays before Board of Education meetings, 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the main office of Pennsauken High School, 800 Hylton Rd. During this time, parents and residents can see me directly for an informal meeting and ask questions regarding any topic within the school district.

District Holds Administrative Retreat



Last month, principals, administrators, and board members gathered together at the Pennsauken Country Club for a special retreat to prepare for a brand new school year.

Fine Student Wins Poetry Contest



Congratulations to Fine student Gianni Garcia Guerrero! Seen here with Ms. Seang, Gianni won first prize in the annual poetry contest sponsored by the Friends of the Pennsauken Free Public Library. Way to go! You have the "write" stuff!

Order Forms For School Uniforms Online

Unlike the elementary schools, the mandatory uniforms for Howard M. Phifer Middle School, Pennsauken High School, and Burling Alternative High School all have logos specific to each school.

These uniforms are in stock and available for purchase at Third Base Sports, 1960 Old Cuthbert Rd., Suite 120, in Cherry Hill. Order forms are available online at the Pennsauken School District website, Pennsauken.net, by selecting the page for your specific school.



Welcome To The Class Of 2023



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Extracurricular Activity And Academic Success Go Hand In Hand

By the Pennsauken Board of Education: Nick Perry, President; Diane Johnson, Vice President; Michael Bortnowski; Michael Hurley; Maria James; Samer John Jarbouh-Rafeh; Scott La Vine; Orlando Viera; and JoAnn Young

In recent years, research has shown even stronger evidence that student in-

volvement in after school activities and clubs within their school district leads to academic achievement. Extracurricular activities require additional time commitments from students, such as being a part of a sports team, joining a science club, playing a musical instrument, or joining a chess team. These activities also help build a résumé for future employers, as well as universities with a competitive admissions process that are interested in seeing how a student gets involved in their community. Researchers at Texas A&M's College of Education and Human Development state that there is not one extracurricular activity that is better than others to achieve the best academic outcome, but maintaining involvement is vital for all activities throughout their time spent in their school system. The Pennsauken Board of Education values any extracurricular activity that develops positive character and academic achievement for students of all ages.

School Athletics

Through the passing of the bond referendum to allocate resources to build a state-of-the-art outdoor stadium, Pennsauken School District now has one of the best outdoor facilities in South Jersey. Students have the opportunity to play fall and spring sports with the most updated equipment, amenities, and resources that make team camaraderie

flourish. The District has also added new sports such as powerlifting, hockey, and crew; as well as expanded the wrestling program, which was one of the biggest highlights in Pennsauken athletics last year!

Dr. Hughes from the TAMU study stated, "If you're looking at children's change in school involvement and achievement, it is kids who are in athletics and sports that are most likely to benefit in terms of their being engaged in or part of a peer group that will support their academic achievement."

Music And Performing Arts

According to the Journal of Research of Music Education, students in high-quality school music programs score higher on standardized tests, compared to students in schools with deficient music education programs, regardless of the socioeconomic level of the school or school district. Also, an analysis of data from the National Educational Longitudinal Study demonstrated a significant correlation between participation in school music groups and achievement in math and English. Pennsauken has been known throughout New Jersey as having one of the most successful music programs in the state, as well as a color guard program that competes at the highest level. For the incoming school year, music and performing arts students will have access to the new amenities

built through the bond referendum, which will provide them with improved facilities to practice and perform. Pennsauken also has many different theatre programs throughout the year through the school and Pennsauken's Youth Action Committee. PYACT recently performed a widely successful rendition of "Disney's Frozen Jr.," which was held in July.

Student Government And Clubs

Student government and academic clubs can give students the skills to learn about other cultures, ethnicities, forms of government, innovative technology, and debate current issues of our time. A few of the active student clubs are listed below:

- African American Culture Club
- Asian Student Association
- Gay Straight Alliance
- Impact Club
- Latin Club
- Latino Culture Club
- Leo Club
- National Honor Society
- Students Against Destructive Decisions (S.A.D.D.)
- Student Government

There are also a variety of active academic clubs to bring together students with a passion for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

The Pennsauken Board of Education values student activity in and outside the classroom. We encourage students to take advantage of all the extracurricular activities that Pennsauken School District offers.

If members of the community have a suggestion, or a student would like to start a club or activity within the Pennsauken School District, please contact administration at (856) 662-8505.

PENNSAUKEN SCHOOL NEWS

For further information about the articles or events published in the Pennsauken School News section of "All Around Pennsauken" please contact:

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Delair Preparing For A Brand New School Year



Delair Principal Mrs. Lawrence and Mr. Ryan are hard at work, getting ready for the return of teachers, staff, and students.



Fine School Kicks Off First Ever Summer Skills Check-In For Students



To help prevent the "summer slide," Fine invited students back to school in July for a special Summer Skills Check-In.

Summertime is a time to relax from the rigors of the school year and play outside, right? Yes, but we do not suggest taking a total mental break by any stretch!

"Summer slide" is the phrase used to describe the slide backwards that many children make in reading and math skills over the summer, because of not reading

or working on any academic skills. Summer slide can happen to even the brightest kids, and it doesn't need to be over a long period of time – even a couple of weeks away from school can soften their skills.

This is why select Fine School teachers, along with Mr. Honeyman, organized a "Summer Skills Check-In" on two days this past summer. This check-in was voluntary to students; and a few Fine teachers volunteered to organize the 90-minute program. Students came on July 16 and 30 to take part in whole group and guided instruction on reading skills, like identifying main ideas, author's purpose, decoding, and making predictions, just to name a few. Teachers Brooke Doyle and Kristen Weisman had students actively learning with props, games and read alouds.

All students left with some handouts for home and everyone was happy that they came! It is the goal of Fine School to increase the amount of days for Summer Skills Check-Ins next summer!

Welcoming Students To Baldwin

This month, we begin another exciting year at Baldwin! Many great things are happening at Baldwin and we are eager and excited to start the new year off on the best foot!

Our building has changed a lot over the summer months; and the construction for the new addition will continue and be ready for students in September 2020.

The Baldwin staff looks forward to a year of fun events and activities!

BOE Meeting

The Pennsauken Township Board of Education will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, Sept. 19, 6:30 p.m. at Pennsauken High School, Room #327, 800 Hylton Rd., Pennsauken, N.J. 08110. The public is invited to attend.

Prior to the meeting at the Administrative Office, Dr. Tarchichi will hold the monthly "Coffee and Conversation with the Superintendent" from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the main office area of the high school. During this time, parents or residents can come and ask questions regarding any topic within the school district.

School District Upgrades Meal Systems For Students, Staff, And Parents

Pennsauken School District has upgraded our district meal systems to better accommodate students, staff, and parents. The fully computerized meal system will begin operating at all Pennsauken Schools, beginning in September 2019.

Previously, only our secondary schools, Intermediate, Phifer, and Pennsauken High School, were utilizing this technology; however, all schools, including all elementary schools and Baldwin Early Childhood Center, will now operate the same way.

The new upgraded software will work off a cloud-based system. This new system will make a student change of status, deposit of funds, or any other change to a child's account happen instantly. Additionally, for the elementary and pre-k programs, this will eliminate the weekly pre-order envelopes. Elementary and pre-k students will now order their lunch meal each morning, while in their classroom. Meals will then be prepared based on your child's selection.

The Food and Nutrition Department will provide up to four different selections for your child. Your child will be provided with a four-digit pin number unique to them. The pin number will enable students to purchase lunch each day from their own personal account.

For a brochure that goes over the meal program in greater detail, visit <http://bit.ly/PSchoolMeals2019>.

Franklin's Back To School Events

As we wrap up our planning for the 2019-2020 school year, we wanted to put out a few dates.

Pre-K and kindergarten students and parents are invited to join us in the Ben Franklin Multipurpose Room on Tuesday, Sept. 3, at 6:15 p.m. for our 2019-2020 pre-k and kindergarten orientation. Students and parents will have the opportunity to meet their teachers, and visit their classrooms. We look forward to seeing you there!

Finally, Back to School Night is planned on Sept. 16 at 6:30 p.m. for first through third grade.

We look forward to seeing all of our Franklin Families for another fantastically Franklin year!

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EDITOR'S Truly Ticked Off By A Ton Of Tireless Texts

DESK



By Frank Sinatra,
AAP Editor

I think I can speak for everyone on the whole of Planet Earth when I say if I never, ever receive another robocall, it'll be too soon. Phone scammers and

spammers have a real racket going, wasting the time – as well as testing the patience – of the recipient. According to the YouMail Robocall Index, there was an estimated 47.8 billion robocalls made in the U.S. last year, an increase of 56.8 percent from 2017.

The majority of calls I receive each

day, whether it's my landline – yes, I still have one of those – or my cell phone, is a robocall. Caller ID is not only a blessing, it's essential. Like a lot of people, if I don't recognize the number, I don't pick up. And that happens a lot.

But what really drives me up a wall are all the crazy texts I get. Not only do I

get these spam messages two or three times a day, apparently, these people think my name is Danielle. Unless I'm mistaken for Leila, the previous "owner" of my landline number, who is also now associated with my cell phone. You'd think that after almost two decades, these folks would get the hint that you're not going to reach this poor lady by calling me. Maybe they'll figure it out by decade number three.

Ultimately though, Leila is old news. Danielle's the next best thing. And from the texts I receive, I can tell she's a pretty popular gal. She likes shopping at Costco and Amazon; and the spammers like informing her that "this Shark Tank backed product helps you lose weight fast." I don't know about Danielle, but I wouldn't mind shedding a few pounds myself. It's a shame that clicking the delete and block buttons on my phone doesn't burn more calories.

The more I block the texts for Danielle, the more I seem to get. It got to the point where I was so frustrated, I

actually tracked down the "real" Danielle on Facebook. But what would I actually say to Danielle that wouldn't sound super creepy? "Excuse me, did you happen to use my phone number to shop on Amazon, Costco, or to purchase any Shark Tank backed products?" Awkward...

I feel bad for Danielle. If I keep getting her all of her crazy spam texts, how will she know how to get help with bills sooner than payday? Or that a magic pill will help her brain power? What about that incredible new Keto supplement?

In a way, I'm not just a victim in this SMS nightmare, I'm also the hero. I'm actually saving Danielle and Leila from the unending onslaught of text messages filled with get rich quick schemes, scams, product plugs, and useless promotions. Unless they're getting texts meant for me. That would be poetic justice.

Overall, I wish Danielle and Leila, wherever they are, well. Oh, best wishes for Krystal too. Just got a text for her.

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Temporary Certificates Of Occupancy And The "As Is" Property Sale Program

By Tracey Howarth,
Pennsauken Township

We talked about the changes to the "AS IS" property sale program in last month's article. If you have ever participated in an "AS IS" sale, you may recall that often, due to the condition of the properties, it was necessary to obtain a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy (TCO). This certificate gave the responsible party an extension on the original compliance date for correcting the violations on the inspection report. Since the original program was only used for bank- and government-owned properties or estates with no living relatives, the potential for greater deterioration and

decay made the TCO program more necessary.

The TCO program gives a 90-day extension on the original compliance date for the correction of all of the violations noted on the initial inspection report. Because we have removed the restriction on the "AS IS" program, it would be safe to say that the amount of TCOs being requested is going to grow. That being said, we have made a few changes.

In an effort to control the number of extensions given on an inspection report, we are requiring a progress inspection to be completed between extension requests.

If you are participating in an "AS IS"

transaction, the buyer must first obtain a copy of the inspection report and review the results, to ensure that they have a full understanding of what they will be taking responsibility for. They will then fill out and have notarized an affidavit, located in the Township's Construction Office, stating that they are taking full responsibility for all of the violations notated on the report. Upon completion, they will receive their first TCO.

If a second extension is required, you would need to schedule a "progress inspection." This step is one of the new requirements. In researching our current program, we found that we have properties that have far exceeded the nine-

month time frame of the initial inspection report, potentially making the initial report obsolete. In an effort to reduce the number of extensions given on an inspection report, we have put in place a "progress inspection." This inspection will give us a good idea on how much progress has been made since the first TCO was issued and how much time you may need to receive your final Certificate of Occupancy. Upon review, the extension will be granted, as long as significant work has not been completed.

A couple of additional notes: if the initial inspection report reaches the nine-month expiration date and there are no extenuating circumstances, the

responsible party will need to have a new housing inspection completed and pay the required fees. In addition, no TCOs will be granted for rental properties. Given the nature of these properties the TCO process is counterproductive to that purpose.

As we have said before, with each change comes adjustments. It's important that we clearly communicate all of the changes we are making, like the ones made to the "AS IS" program. We believe, based on our discussions with our concerned citizens, contractors, and investors, that the changes we have made to this program are important and necessary.

County Hosts Grandparent's Day At Adventure Aquarium

The Camden County Board of Freeholders presents Grandparent's Day at the Adventure Aquarium on Sunday, Sept. 8, from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Spend this Grandparent's Day at Adventure Aquarium and create new and lasting memories with your family. Enjoy everything that Adventure Aquarium has to offer FREE just for you.

This event is for grandparents and grandchildren ONLY. Grandparents MUST be accompanied by grandchildren NO OLDER than age 14 in order

to participate in this event. There will be no exceptions.

As this is a FREE event, tickets are limited and will be distributed on a first come, first served basis. Pre-registration is required. For more information, contact Tom Castellano by calling (856) 858-2986 or e-mailing tom.castellano@camdencounty.com.

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ments to the storm sewer collection system; and being the Township liaison for County, NJDOT, and utility construction projects in the Township.

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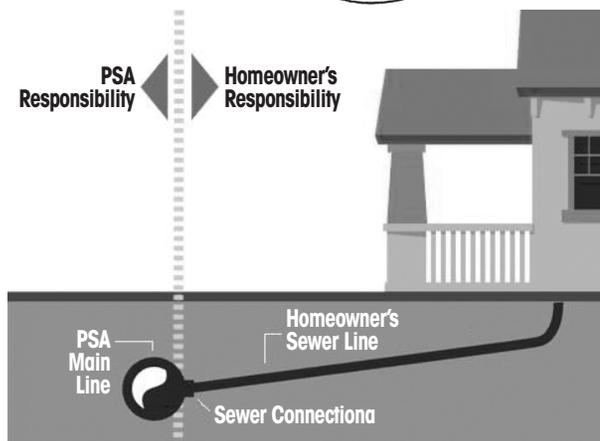
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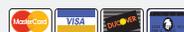


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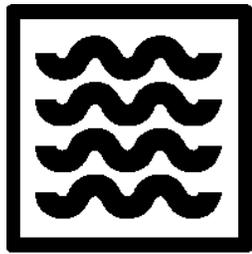
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MPWC WATERLINES

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The Merchantville-Pennsauken Water Commission's fall flushing program will take place Sunday through Thursday nights, beginning Sept. 15 through Sept. 26, between the hours of 7:00 and 11:00 p.m.

Hydrant flushing is an important element in our continuous efforts to improve the quality of water in our system. This procedure clears the distribution system of non-harmful sediment that may build up over time, as well as to help us ensure that each hydrant is operating properly for firefighting purposes. The MPWC schedules hydrant flushing during night hours to create the least impact on our customers.

While we are flushing in your neighborhood, you may experience

decreased water pressure and/or temporary discoloration of your water. While discoloration can be startling to see, rest assured, it poses no health or safety issues, as the cause of the discoloration is non-harmful iron and manganese mineral.

The MPWC will be posting flushing routes on our Facebook page throughout the duration of the fall program. If you see your street or a nearby cross-street listed on our Facebook page, we recommend not running your water between flushing times as the best course of action to prevent an accidental draw of discolored water into your home or business system. If discoloration does occur, we advise you to simply run your cold water for a few min-



utes until it is clear. The MPWC encourages you to check for discolored water before doing laundry.

The MPWC has been working

diligently to notify all of our neighbors and customers of when we'll be in specific areas during the hydrant flushing period. For the most up-to-date information, please "like" us on Facebook. We will post an updated list every day!

In addition, if you have not already signed up to get notifications from the MPWC, please visit our website at www.mpwc.com and click on the "Notify Me" button, so that you may receive notification of hydrant flushing, as well as any other service notifications should they arise in your area. For any specific questions regarding the flushing program, please contact the MPWC's Customer Support Center at (856) 663-0043.

The MPWC Accepts Phone Payments

If you'd like to make a payment by phone, you can dial direct to our automated system at 1 (844) 611-4016. Please have your account number and PIN available when you call. Your account number and PIN numbers can be found on your water bill. Please be aware that turnoff charges or other account adjustments will not be reflected in the online or phone payment systems until the next business day. There is a convenience fee associated with all phone and online payments; this fee is not charged by the MPWC, but by the third party processor. Convenience fees are charged as follows: credit/debit card payments are subject to a convenience fee of 2.95 percent; payments made by e-check are subject to a convenience fee of \$1.05.

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KEEP INFORMED WITH REVERSE 9-1-1

For members of the community directly affected by water main breaks, we provide messages via our Reverse 9-1-1 notification system. To stay informed of all water emergencies that may occur within our service area, visit MPWC.com/swift911 to sign up for Reverse 9-1-1!

The Merchantville-Pennsauken Water Commission meets on the second Thursday of each month at 4:00 p.m.

These meetings are open to the public and are held at 6751 Westfield Avenue, Pennsauken.

Questions about your service?

Call 663-0043 Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., emergencies – call 663-0044 anytime.

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ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT

REPORTING YEAR 2018



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The MPWC no longer mails individual copies of the Consumer Confidence Report to customers. It is available electronically, on our website, by following the link on your water bill or by visiting www.gemgrp.com/ereports/MPWC2018CCR.pdf.

Printed copies are available at our office. If you have any questions, please contact our Customer Support Center during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Sixth Pennsauken Job Fair Scheduled For September 27

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of businesses have committed to attending this year's job fair:

- Avenues to Independent Living
- Beverage Distribution Center, Inc. (Pepsi)
- New Jersey Dept. of Corrections
- Primerica
- Protemp of America
- Quality Management Associates
- Safety Bus
- Service Master Commercial Cleaning by Alliance
- Source 4 Teachers
- South Jersey Federal Credit Union

A full list of attendees will be available by Sept. 5 on the Township's website, twp.pennsauken.nj.us.

Job seekers planning to come to this year's event are asked to bring at least two dozen copies of their résumé and to "dress to impress."

"A good first impression can go a long



The sixth annual Pennsauken Job Fair will be held on Friday, Sept. 27, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Living Faith Christian Center, 2323 Rt. 73.

way to standing out to a potential employer," adds Terry Carr, Pennsauken Township Department of Economic Development. "The list of businesses and organizations planning to attend the job fair will continue to grow leading up to the event; we'll update that list on the Township's website. Those individuals looking for a new position should do their home-

work and research these companies beforehand, so they can not only see if they're a good fit, but also be knowledgeable and ask important questions."

Individuals unable to attend the event, or those looking to connect with potential employers in advance, can upload their résumé at www.twp.pennsauken.nj.us/content/pennsauken-job-fair-2019. Pennsauken's Economic Development department will share résumés with all the companies who participate in this year's job fair and will keep these electronic résumés on file for companies looking to hire employees in the future.

For more information about the Sept. 27 job fair, contact Terry Carr, (856) 665-1000 x153, tcarr@twp.pennsauken.nj.us; or Larry Cardwell, (856) 665-1000 x108, lcardwell@twp.pennsauken.nj.us.

Pennsauken Prepares For Annual 9/11 Observance

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11:40 p.m.

Pennsauken's 9/11 monument was first dedicated on Sept. 11, 2003, as a tribute to the heroes of 9/11, as well as direct responders, such as police, fire and EMS, who serve every day to protect residents

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September Library Events

- Introduction To Internet & E-mail – Wednesdays, Sept. 4, 11, 18 & 25; 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. This six-week class gives a basic overview of Internet terminology and searching. Participants will also set up an e-mail address and learn e-mail basics. (e.g. composing an email and adding attachments). We highly recommend patrons bring in their own laptop to class, if possible. Continues into October.
- Microsoft Excel & Word – Thursdays, Sept. 5, 12, 19, & 26; 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. This six-week class will provide everything you need to know to start creating documents and spreadsheets using Microsoft Excel and Word. We highly recommend patrons bring in their own laptop to class, if possible. Continues into October.
- Friends of the Pennsauken Free Public Library Meeting – Wednesday, Sept. 11; 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Join the Friends for their monthly planning meeting.
- Munch and a Movie – Tuesday, Sept. 17; 12:30 p.m. Bring a bag lunch and enjoy a FREE movie and snack, courtesy of The Friends of the Library.

For this month's movie selection, please call (856) 665-5959.

- Library Board Meeting – Monday, Sept. 23; 6:00 p.m. Each month, board members meet to review current issues, budget, policies, and staffing. The community is encouraged to attend.

FOR CHILDREN ACCOMPANIED BY THEIR CAREGIVERS

- Wee Readers – Tuesdays, Sept. 3, 10, 17, & 24; 10:30 a.m. Storytime for little ones up to age 2.
- Explore On The Floor – Tuesdays, Sept. 3, 10, 17 & 24; 11:00 a.m. This free-play program allows for our littlest patrons, ages 2 and under, to socialize and play with a puppet theater, soft toys, DUPLO blocks, activity tables, and more!
- Preschool Storytime – Wednesdays, Sept. 4, 11, 18, & 25; 10:30 a.m.; and Thursdays, Sept. 5, 12, 19, & 26; 2:00 p.m. Storytime for children ages 3 to 5.
- Toddler Movement – Wednesdays, Sept. 4 & 18; noon. Join Miss Sabrina

and Miss Susan for a fun and active time of music, guided movements, and dance. For ages 2-5.

- Yoga Storytime – Thursday, Sept. 5; 6:00 p.m. For children ages 3-8. Pre-registration is required; call (856) 665-5959 ext. 6 or stop by the Youth Services Desk.
- Baby Ballet – Wednesdays, Sept. 11 & 25; noon. Join Miss Sabrina and Miss Susan for a fun and active time of music, guided dance movements. For ages 2-5.
- Tail Waggin' Tutors – Thursday, Sept. 12; 5:00 p.m. Children ages 6 and up are invited to practice their independent reading skills with a certified therapy friend from Therapy Dogs International! Pre-registration is required; call (856) 665-5959 ext. 6 or stop by the Youth Services Desk to register for your 15-minute time slot.
- Pajama Storytime – Thursday, Sept. 19; 6:00 p.m. Join Miss Susan and Miss Sabrina for night-time storytime fun – and feel free to wear your favorite pajamas! For all ages.
- LEGO Club – Thursday, Sept. 26; 6:00 p.m. You bring the creativity and imagination and we supply the LEGO and DUPLO blocks (for use in the library only). For all ages.
- Sensory-Friendly Storytime – Friday, Sept. 27; 11:00 a.m. This program is presented at a preschool level and uses books, songs, and activities to engage in developing emerging literacy, social interaction, and both gross and fine motor skills. Ideal for children who are differently abled, may be on the autism spectrum, have sensory processing issues, or feel overwhelmed by noises or crowds. Registration is required. For ages 2 and up.

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GOING GREEN A Perfect Time Of Year To “Fall” Into Gardening

By Kathleen Harvey,
AAP Columnist

Temperatures are cooling, the mosquito invasion of this summer is finally in decline, and the angle of the sun is lowering as days shorten. If you recently purchased your first home, or are a beginner with gardening, now is the perfect time to try your hand in the garden. Autumn is a good time for planting, transplanting, and pruning your landscape.

The first step is to put on long pants, shirts with long sleeves, and a wide brimmed hat to protect your skin from the sun. Even though temperatures are in decline, the sun is still strong enough to cause skin damage. Now that you are dressed appropriately, grab a tablet – electronic or old fashioned paper – and evaluate your current space.

Step back and look at your home and garden from the street. What do you see in the big picture? What's your curb appeal? Does the vignette make you happy? Do you have a large tree or shrub acting as a focal point to draw the eye across your space?

On the other hand, are the trees and shrubs so overgrown that your home can hardly be seen from the street? Does your grass grow green, or is it overrun with weeds and bare patches? Did some plants become diseased from all the rain we had this summer?

Do any of the trees, shrubs, or perennials have a fuzzy white substance on them? This could be a sign of powdery mildew, or worse, scale insects, which if left unchecked, can kill your plants.

Take notes as you walk your property, whether it has palatial acreage, or is a small space bounded by cement.

Once these questions have been answered and your evaluation is complete, don't become overwhelmed with all the work that needs to be done to turn your home into a showplace. Develop a list of everything that could be done in a perfect world. Then, prioritize the list based on your desires, your time, and your budget.

A good place to start is pruning. If your landscape has become very overgrown, you don't necessarily need to rip everything out and start over. Judicious pruning can open up the space, while retaining the homey look of a mature landscape. There are a few important things to keep in mind while pruning large plants, like trees and shrubs. First, if trees or shrubs are dead, diseased, or dying, remove them as soon as possible, especially if they are very tall. Our area has been experiencing thunderstorms accompanied by high winds, which can rip out dead or dying trees, possibly landing on cars or homes. The next step is pruning overgrown trees and shrubs. Don't prune more than 20 percent of a plant in a single growing season. Pruning more can weaken the plant significantly, even kill it. Also, don't feed trees or shrubs until spring. Feeding now can encourage a new flush of growth that won't have time to mature and harden before frost kills it, again weakening the plant.

Once pruning has been finished for this season, step back and reevaluate your property, as the look of your growing space will have changed. More sun will be able to reach areas that may have been in complete shade before. If large spaces have been opened up by tree and shrub removal, is there now space for

new things? Determine how much sun is available in those new spaces, research what plants can grow there, and take your list to neighborhood nurseries to

shop for replacements. Take advantage of late season clearance sales to add new garden accents that will grow and improve your space next spring.

Landscape design isn't that scary if you take it a step at a time, working on your list as time permits. Have fun, and most of all, plant what makes you happy!

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A Brief Explanation Of Animal Control In Pennsauken

By Nancy Welsh, Pennsauken Township Animal Control Officer

For many, many years, Pennsauken Township has had an animal control officer. But many people wonder, "What does animal control do in town?" Hopefully, this article helps to answer that question.

Animal control is not just taking care of animals, but also the people who own, lose, or find them. We enforce local and state laws concerning the care and treatment of animals, both domestic pets and wildlife. Animal control officers patrol public areas looking for potential signs of distressed animals and work directly with residents concerning animal issues. We are dedicated to educating the public about the safety and care of animals and work to maintain public health standards, keeping the community safe for both people and animals.

Sometimes, animal control officers

must capture or rescue animals; but other times, we administer warnings or citations to residents suspected of animal cruelty and other violations, such as a dog running at large (not being in a fenced area or being off leash in the neighborhood), not being licensed in the Township, excessive barking, and other violations. You can check the Pennsauken Township website, twp.pennsauken.nj.us and select the "Code Book" button for a list of local ordinances.

Animal control responds to calls from residents about stray animals, suspected animal cruelty, and deceased or sick/injured strays and wildlife. For immediate emergency situations, such as a stray dog running in the neighborhood, you can call the police. The police can get there quickly and they will make sure everyone, stays safe until animal control can get there.

If you believe an animal is in danger

and you suspect it may be a case of animal cruelty, please do not hesitate to contact Pennsauken Township's animal control at (856) 663-3058. We are very discreet and will not divulge who contacted us about the situation; but we will need your phone number in case we have questions. Animal control will conduct a welfare check to make sure the animal is safe. Again, if you believe there is an urgent situation, and the animal or a person is in immediate danger, you can call the police. They will manage the situation until animal control arrives.

Animal Control also picks up sick and injured wildlife. We cannot remove squirrels, birds, raccoons, or other wildlife from walls, attics, or basements. This should be handled by a wildlife control company. The cute little critters who may invade your yard such as groundhogs, skunks, and moles must also be taken care of by a wildlife control company. Some pest control companies also trap nuisance wildlife. These are services the homeowner must pay for on their own.

If you have any additional questions you would like to ask, please feel free to contact Pennsauken Township animal control at (856) 663-3058. You can also e-mail us at almosthomeshelter@comcast.net.

Saint Stephen Church Offers Free Rides To Mass

Volunteers at Saint Stephen Roman Catholic Church, located at 6306 Browning Rd., Pennsauken, will give a free ride to Mass every weekend to anyone who needs it.

Interested parties are asked to call (856) 662-9339, ext. 6. If leaving a voice message, please include your name and phone number.

Pennsauken Fire Department Responds To Second Alarm In Haddonfield



Last month, Engine 1152, Battalion 11 operated on a special call to Walnut Ave. in Haddonfield for a second alarm private dwelling fire.

Stamp Exhibition Begins At Library In October



Beginning Oct. 26, the Merchantville Stamp Club will hold a stamp exhibition at the Pennsauken Free Public Library.

The Merchantville Stamp Club will hold its annual competitive stamp exhibition, "MERPEX 2019," during Stamp Collecting Month, which is observed every October. The exhibition will be held from Oct. 26 through Oct. 29 at the Community Room of the Pennsauken Library, 5605 N. Crescent Blvd., and is open during normal library hours.

An opening ceremony will be held on Saturday, Oct. 26 at 11:30 a.m. Free refreshments will be offered after the guest speaker's talk and presentation of awards to the exhibitors. The public is invited to attend this opening ceremony.

Questions about this exhibition may be directed to Mac Sarreal at macsar530@aol.com or (856) 424-2389.

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Department. "This show is something a lot of people look forward to. On a crisp, fall day, we can anticipate a great turn out from both participants and attendees."

Pennsauken's Car and Bike Show has almost two dozen judging classes for cars, from stock production to 1953, to all new cars 2013 to present; as well as special categories for Corvettes, Mustangs, foreign cars, trucks, modified vehicles, and more. Bikes have nine judging classes: full dresser; big twin; custom big twin; street radical; sportster; trike; foreign; sport bike; and antique. But it isn't just cars and bikes that you'll find at this year's show. Vendors and crafters will be in attendance, offering a wide variety of goods for sale. DJs will provide the soundtrack for the event, as attendees

stroll up and down Maple Ave. A perennial favorite, the Kids' Zone offers \$2 wristbands for access to inflatables, balloon twisting, and face painting. Also, several food trucks will be on site and beverages will be available for purchase at Pinsetter.

Decorating Contest For Kids

Kids are encouraged to decorate their bicycles and "ride on" vehicles (Power Wheels, Lil' Rider, etc.) and bring them to the Car, Bike, and Craft Show to be judged. There is no fee involved and selected winners will receive a small trophy in recognition.

Football On The Big Screen

Returning this year will be a big screen for attendees to watch the

Philadelphia Eagles take on the Detroit Lions at 1:00 p.m.

"We're hoping to create a similar feel to an open air plaza that you'd find in Philadelphia," explains Martz. "The Car and Bike Show is going to be a great place to watch the game."

Each year, every effort is made to reduce the impact on the neighborhoods along Maple Ave. and adjoining streets. Local residents will have access to major thoroughways and can get in and out of the area during the event. In case of inclement weather, the rain date for the Car, Bike, and Craft Show is Sunday, Sept. 29.

Pre-registration fees are \$12 for cars and \$7 for bikes, if submitted by Sept. 17. During the day of the show, from 10:00 a.m. to noon, registration fees are \$15 for cars and \$8 for bikes. Registration forms are available at www.twp.pennsauken.nj.us/content/pennsauken-car-and-bike-show.

For additional information, contact Pennsauken's Parks and Recreation Department at emartz@twp.pennsauken.nj.us or (856) 665-1000 x151.

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By Joe Scavuzzo, Director,
Department of Public Works

Before I get to the main topic of this article, I'd like to welcome Luis Green and Greg Hannah to the Public Works team. Both residents of Pennsauken come to us with landscaping and handyman experience, as well as a lot of energy, adding pieces to the puzzle that is the future of our department. Lou and Greg began back in early June and have blended into our operations so seamlessly, I forgot to mention them in the July

Important Information About Contaminated Recycling In Pennsauken

and August editions of this article! They are quickly becoming assets to our organization and I look forward to continue working with them.

For those of you who have followed my exciting coverage on recycling the past few months, hold on to your seats! According to a letter from our recycling center, FCR Camden, LLC, any Pennsauken recycling trucks with over 8 percent contamination will be rejected. Contamination is when residents place non-recyclables in the recycling such as pizza boxes, plastic bags, Styrofoam, bubble wrap, frozen food containers, plastic/

paper to-go containers, cups, straws or utensils and even hoses or hangers. These items should always go in the trash. Remember: When in doubt, throw it out!

So what happens when one of our trucks has more than 8 percent contamination in its recyclables? According to the letter, Pennsauken will have to dispatch trucks to pick up the material and remove it from their facility within two hours. This will be a huge burden on Public Works operations and add significant cost to our disposal budget – even if 91 percent of that truck contains good recyclables! As I write this on Aug. 9, we have received two rejection notices: one truck from Monday's route and one from Tuesday's route. Although this applies to all Camden County municipalities, we need to evaluate and identify potential rejected load sources in Pennsauken.

Unfortunately, a one-week, heads-up letter was not enough time for an entire town to be evaluated, educated, and fixed before the effective date. It is also unrealistic for Public Works to look in each recycling bucket every single day. So to start, we will learn from the rejected recycling trucks, identifying which particular area of that collection day's route was over the 8 percent allowance. This will get us some rough data, but it's a starting point.

The two daily recycling trucks empty

their load once a day at the recycling facility, so coordination with our waste collection contractor, South Jersey Sanitation, will be critical to know what rejected load came from which area. This can be determined by using their truck's GPS system to see where the truck was in Pennsauken when it collected the contaminated recycling. This will not affect their daily collection.

Pennsauken residents produce a generally clean recycling stream. We have been informed on three or four occasions over the past year of a potential to reject. This makes the whole process easier for all parties and allows us to "clean up" just a few spots and educate across the board.

So after the areas with rejected loads are known, how can Pennsauken residents help prevent contaminated recycling from being collected? The recycling

facility tells us which trucks are rejected. We take that truck's GPS and see what streets that recycle load came from. We will direct Pennsauken's Sanitation Inspector to this area on that street's next collection day to seek out any obvious contaminations. He will place a red "DO NOT COLLECT" tag on the recycling buckets with noticeable contamination and leave a friendly form letter posted on the front door that would indicate what the issue is, how to correct it, and have a colored informational flyer attached. The correction 100 percent of the time will be to take the garbage item(s) out of the recycling and toss in the trash. On the following recycling collection day, the resident will place the recycle bucket at the curb and it will be collected. At this point, we believe the resident will know

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Camden County is hosting a household hazardous waste collection event on Saturday, Sept. 14, 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the Pennsauken Sanitary Landfill, 9600 N. River Rd. For information on what to bring and what to leave home, visit www.camdencounty.com/wp-content/uploads/files/What%20To%20Bring.pdf.

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Son Honors Late Father With Lemonade Stand At Bayada

Joey Geist, a 9-year-old son of a former Bayada Hospice patient who recently died of cancer, hosted a lemonade stand fundraiser for cancer research. The event was held at the Bayada Home Health Care Global Support Center in Pennsauken.

Joey's father, Fire Warden Lt. Michael Geist of Bath, Pa, a former firefighter pa-

tient of Bayada Hospice, passed away early this year of brain cancer at just 32. His 9-year-old son, Joey, is a remarkable child who, despite dealing with his own grief, wanted to help people facing the same illness as his father. Joey has encouraged others — including employees from Bayada — to donate to the American Cancer Society to help cure this hor-

rible disease.

"Angels" from his community built and painted for him a custom lemonade stand — named "Joey's Juices" — so he can continue to raise money to fight cancer. In honor of his father, the stand looks like a firetruck, with a ladder and lights and includes the number 5235, which was Joey's father's fire station number.



At the Bayada Home Health Care Global Support Center in Pennsauken, nine-year-old Joey Geist hosted a lemonade stand fundraiser in memory of his late father.

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The Geist family had no life insurance. Those who want to donate to help them can do so at www.gofundme.com/lt-geist-funeral-expenses.

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Last Farmer And Food Market Of The Season On September 17

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

The last Pennsauken Farmer and Food Market of the 2019 season will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 17. Throughout the summer, the Farmer and Food Market has offered a retail marketplace where attendees can shop a variety of produce, crafts, and more.

“For its first year, I think we’ve had a pretty successful farmer’s market,” says Elwood Martz, Pennsauken’s Parks and Recreation Department. “We’d like to thank Pennsauken resident Robin Schneider and all of our volunteers for their hard work and look forward to

ending our 2019 season on a high note.”

Held from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Township Municipal Complex, 5605 N. Crescent Blvd., residents and visitors to Pennsauken are able to purchase a variety of fresh food items and other unique product offerings in an open market setting. In addition, food trucks will be on site to offer attendees a bite to eat while they shop.

For more information, or to learn about the attendees for the last market of the year, visit “Pennsauken Farmer & Food Market” on Facebook.



Pennsauken’s Farmer and Food Market will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 17, at the Township’s Municipal Building.

Kern Sworn In As Sergeant For Pennsauken Police



Congratulations to Raymond Kern, who was sworn in last month as a sergeant for the Pennsauken Township Police Department!



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By Arlene Miller, Friends of the Pennsauken Free Public Library

If you took advantage of all the how-to sessions we told you about last month, then you're well on your way to completing the six-week session of Tai Chi Chih, a 19-movement meditative course that provides you with physical, personal, and spiritual benefits. There are still two sessions remaining, so pencil in Sept. 5 and 19 from 12:15 – 1:15 p.m. in the Library's Community Room to complete the course. But please call the library first at (856) 665-5959, ext.3 to make sure there are spaces still available if you hadn't already registered.

It's once again time to pack a lunch, grab a friend, and drop by the Community Room on Tuesday, Sept. 17, for our

Plenty To Do This September, Courtesy Of The Friends Of The Library

new "season" of Munch and a Movie! In case you forgot, you bring the munch and we'll supply snacks, beverages, and of course, the movie. It's a great way to spend a few hours from 12:30 – 3:30 p.m., relaxing and catching up on a great flick you might have missed. If you absolutely need to know what movie we'll be showing, call (856) 665-5959, ext.3 for the big reveal!

Ready to unwind even more? Then join instructor Brigit Austin on four successive Tuesdays in September, when we'll offer an adult yoga class from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. in the Community Room. Dust off your mat and spring for a new pair of yoga pants if you like! Otherwise, just wear something comfortable and get ready to stretch and relax.

Hopefully, you've started to gather all

your no-longer-wanted books, CDs, and DVDs to donate to the Friends for our upcoming Book and Tech Sale in October. Collection begins on Sept. 3 in the Community Room and will continue 'till the sale. We can't accept magazines, VHS tapes, encyclopedias, or damaged books, but we're happy to take your other donations and make them available to someone else during the sale, held Oct. 18-20. Anyone who has stopped by our previous sales knows what bargains are to be found and what an amazing variety of books and tech items are waiting to be scooped up, all at phenomenal prices. The sale benefits everyone: you get to donate items you no longer want; buyers get to find new and exciting additions to add to their own collections; and the

Friends get to help the Library!

Finally, there's a new "Dine to Donate" you won't want to miss out on. On Wednesday, Sept. 25, from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m., Panera Bread on Rt. 70, south of Wegmans at the Market Place at Garden State Park, will help us raise funds for library projects when you show your wait staff their flyer on your phone or on paper. We'll have those flyers ready right after Labor Day, so check out the Li-

brary lobby desk, or see one of the Friends members for your copy. Just place your order, show your flyer, and the Friends will receive 20 percent of sales at absolutely no cost to you! For those of you with a MyPanera card, you get an extra bonus of more points!

Our next Friends meeting takes place on Wednesday, Sept. 11, 7:00 p.m., in the Community Room. Hope to see you there!

Important Information About Contaminated Recycling

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how to avoid this in the future and the recycling will get cleaner.

As of Aug. 9, the only data we have to work with is the week of Aug. 5. On Monday and Tuesday, one of the two trucks on both days was rejected. Thursday and Friday had no rejection notices, so we presume contamination was under 8 percent. Monday's contamination was 17 percent; Tuesday's was 32 percent. Since our limit is 8 percent contamina-

tion, our immediate goal is to get those routes below that mark and everything gets easier. Of course, our ultimate goal is zero contamination, but that will take some time. If we look at the percentages and apply that to the amount of households on those two days, we're only looking at 450 contaminated buckets to leave curbside out of approximately 5,500. We will still tag on Thursdays and Fridays to educate and continue lowering our overall contamination. Realistically, we antic-

ipate this method to have an immediate effect and likely resolve the problem within a month or two.

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FOOD ADVENTURES

By Rachael Shugars, AAP Columnist

Legend has it that the beloved taco was created in the Mexican silver mines some time in the 19th Century. These were known as “taco de minero,” or miner’s tacos. The taquito, meaning small taco, is also believed to have begun around this time; and some have even addressed the fact that a taquito sort of looks like a stick of dynamite. They also taste pretty dynamite. The word taco actually used to mean something completely different to the miners. They would wrap pieces of paper around gunpowder and place them in holes in the mines to cause small explosions. The shell of the taco, originally only soft, would be the paper; and the protein inside of it would be the gunpowder.

As the popularity of this new food spread, people travelled all over parts of Mexico creating taco shops called taquerias that “shelled” out these tasty treats. Eventually, this food trend made its way to the United States in the early 1900s. Now taquerias are strewn all over the

Tasty Taco Tuesday At Tortilla Press Cantina



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country. Thanks to Glen Bell, we also have the ever popular Taco Bell for everyone to enjoy, if you find yourself in an area void of other more traditional options.

My food adventures in August took me to The Tortilla Press Cantina at 7716 Maple Ave. They host a Taco Tuesday event that I was told I just had to try. I was over the moon with joy at what I found. I sat at the counter in the bar area with a few of my co-workers and friends. There is also a restaurant area that is more low-

key; and our server/bartender Sam led us through all of the taco options.

There are three regular proteins available: chicken, beef and pork. These tacos are only \$2. You can upgrade to \$4 and get shrimp or chorizo as well. There are also a bunch of appetizers that are on special, including Spanish fries with lots of cheese, onions and jalapenos, as well as sliders that are scary good. I decided to get one of each of the regular taco options and a pork slider. I hadn’t eaten all day in anticipation for this meal, so I was going big. I also got myself a margarita, but they have a few other great alcoholic drink specials, including sodas and juices available to the non-drinker. Another big bonus for me is always the chips and salsa. It’s an essential starter at any Mexican joint and they definitely delivered at Tortilla Press. I suggest asking for the trio of red salsa, salsa Verde, and refried beans if you want something a little extra.

The Tortillas Press Cantina is a stellar stop for any Taco Tuesday, but I also sug-

gest going any time for a nice lunch or dinner. The service was quick and it’s just a fun, friendly, and relaxing atmosphere. I really loved this taco excursion and I

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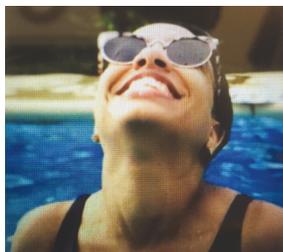


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HEALTHYLIFESTYLES

Cholesterol: The Good, The Bad, And The Healthy

By Suzette Price, RN, ASN, IKCN,
Pennsauken Township Board of Health

Cholesterol is a type of fat found in your blood. Your liver makes cholesterol for your body. You also can find it in the foods you eat. Meat, fish, eggs, butter, cheese, and milk all have cholesterol in them.

Cholesterol is in every cell in your body. You need cholesterol to help your brain, skin, and other organs do their jobs. But too much can cause you harm. High cholesterol occurs when levels of cholesterol are too high, due to fatty deposits that start to build up in your blood vessels and arteries, restricting blood flow. Kind of like when your bathroom sink gets clogged. High cholesterol can be hereditary, or as a result of unhealthy diet and lifestyle choices. It can increase the risk of a heart attack.

There are two important types of cholesterol. LDL (low-density lipoprotein) cholesterol, or "bad cholesterol," carries cholesterol from the liver into the bloodstream, where it can stick to the blood vessels. There's also HDL (high-density lipoprotein) cholesterol, or "good cholesterol," which carries the cholesterol in the blood back to the liver, where it is broken down.

Here's a trick to remember the difference: LDL cholesterol is the bad kind, so call it "lousy" cholesterol — "L" for lousy. The HDL is the good cholesterol, so remember it as "healthy" cholesterol, "H" for healthy.

How To Prevent High Cholesterol

Here are a few ways to try and keep high cholesterol under control:

- Eat as "clean" as possible, meaning

lots of fruit, vegetables and whole grains

- Limit drinks and foods that have a lot of fat or sugar, like sugary drinks, candy, cakes, and fried foods
- Annual health exams with blood work to monitor your health and wellness

Regular exercise is also extremely important. The recommendation is at least 60 minutes every day. So unplug from social media and make it an impactful hour! While the weather is nice, go for a walk around a track in a park, ride a bike, and reconnect with nature.

For more information on cholesterol, visit Heart.org.

Blood Drive Held At Masonic Temple On September 21

The 18th Masonic District of New Jersey is hosting a Red Cross blood drive on Saturday, Sept. 21, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the Merchantville Masonic Temple, 6926 Park Ave., Pennsauken.

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As part of the "Penn Paddle" series, individuals had an opportunity to kayak up and down the Delaware River between the Griffith Morgan House and Burrough-Dover House.



Pennsauken's first responders celebrated with the community they served during their annual National Night Out event last month.



Mayor Betsy McBride was on hand as the Jersey Pinelands Curling Club celebrated the move to their new "home" at the Virtua Health Flyers Skate Zone in Pennsauken.



At the Cooper River Park Boathouse, an electric vehicle showcase highlighted the importance of addressing pollution from cars, trucks, and buses in New Jersey.

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Camden County Hosts Commemoration Of Vietnam War

This month, the Camden County Freeholder Board and Office of Veterans affairs will host a four-day commemorative event in recognition of the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War. The event will feature a different program each day, beginning Thursday, Sept. 5, and ending Sunday, Sept. 8.

On Thursday, Sept. 5, the Office of Veterans Affairs will host a special Vietnam Veteran Pinning and Medal Cere-

mony at 6:30 p.m. The ceremony will honor and celebrate veterans of the Vietnam War who are current members of our community.

On Friday, Sept. 6, veterans, their families, and other members of the community will come together for a candlelight remembrance vigil at the Traveling Tribute Wall in Cooper River Park to honor those Vietnam veterans who never returned home.

On Saturday, Sept. 7, the County will host a veterans resource fair, featuring family fun, educational activities, and a concert featuring the Tri-County Symphonic Band and Gary Puckett and the Union Gap.

The commemoration will conclude on Sunday, Sept. 9, with a closing ceremony and the 9/11 Heroes Run.

The program is hosted by the Board

of Freeholders in partnership with the Vietnam War 50th Anniversary Commemoration, the Philadelphia VA Medical Clinic, and The Travis Manion Foundation; it commemorates the 50th anniversary of the war which began in November 1955 and ended in April 1975. In 2012, President Barack Obama issued a proclamation to recognize the 50th anniversary of the war over a 13-

year period, during which the federal government would work with local governments to honor and celebrate the veterans in their communities.

For more information regarding Camden County's Vietnam Commemorative event, please visit www.camdencounty.com/WelcomeHomeVietnamVets. For more information about our partners and the history of the Vietnam War, please visit www.vietnamwar50th.com.

Portions Of River Road, Union Avenue Closed For Water Main Replacement

Freeholder Susan Shin Angulo, liaison to the Camden County Department of Public Works, has been notified by the Merchantville Pennsauken Water Commission that crews are replacing a water main on River Rd. and Union Ave. in Pennsauken. Work began in August; during this time, stretches of both River Rd. and Union Ave. will be closed during work hours.

"This project is expected to last several weeks and will require detours for motorists who typically drive through this area as part of their commute," Shin Angulo said. "It's important to be aware of the project in advance and plan ahead for any expected delays. Motorists can expect sudden stops, shifting traffic patterns, and other changing conditions in the area surrounding construction. Ad-

ditionally, you should be extra cautious and attentive when driving near construction crews and vehicles."

From the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. crews will completely close River Rd. between Lennox Rd. and Union Ave. Union Ave. will also close between River Rd. and Haines Rd. Motorists will be directed along a posted detour route to circumvent the affected roadway.

While construction is ongoing, the contractor will allow South Jersey Sanitation through the work area on Mondays to collect the trash and recycling of the homes that reside in that area.

The project is expected to be completed by the end of work hours on Friday, Nov. 13. Scheduling and project timing is dependent on weather and may be adjusted due to unforeseen events.

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Inductees For PHS 2019 Athletic Hall Of Fame Announced

Pennsauken High School has a rich athletic history, evidenced by the extensive high school, collegiate, and professional athletic accomplishments of our Hall of Fame members.

Congratulations to the following alumni/teams who have been honored as inductees to the Pennsauken High School Athletic Hall of Fame as the Class of 2019, who will be honored during halftime of the Sept. 21 football game against Cumberland:

- Mark Lilley
- Anthony Piersanti, Jr.
- 1986 NJSIAA State Champion

Football Team

- 1994 NJSIAA State Champion Girls Bowling Team
- 1976 Boys Track and Field Team

The next nominations for our Athletic Hall of Fame will be accepted for induction in 2020. Nominations will be accepted beginning in June 2020. Members of the teams being honored this month can contact the Pennsauken High School Athletic Department at (856) 662-8500 x5235 for more information.

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9/11 Heroes Run Held On Sept. 8

The 9/11 Heroes Run 5K and one mile fun run/walk is held on Sunday, Sept. 8, 9:11 a.m., at Cooper River Park in Pennsauken. Sponsored by the Travis Manion Foundation, the 9/11 Heroes Run unites communities internationally with the goal to never forget the sacrifices of the heroes of September 11th and the wars since: veteran, first responder, civilian and military.

Runners and walkers of all levels and of all ages are invited to come out and thank local veterans, their families, and first responders in an annual, fun, and family-friendly environment.

Visit www.travismanion.org/community-engagement/911-heroes-run/2019-pennsauken-nj/ for more information, to register, or donate.

Guss Hits Hole-In-One At Country Club



Ryan Guss, a frequent golfer at the Pennsauken Country Club, used his 7 iron to hit a hole-in-one last month!

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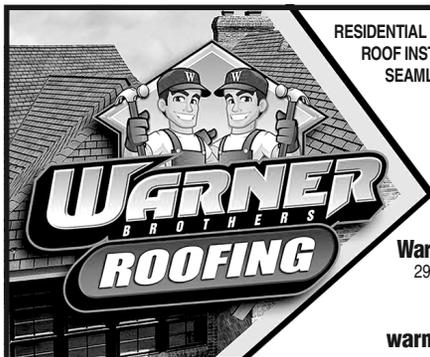
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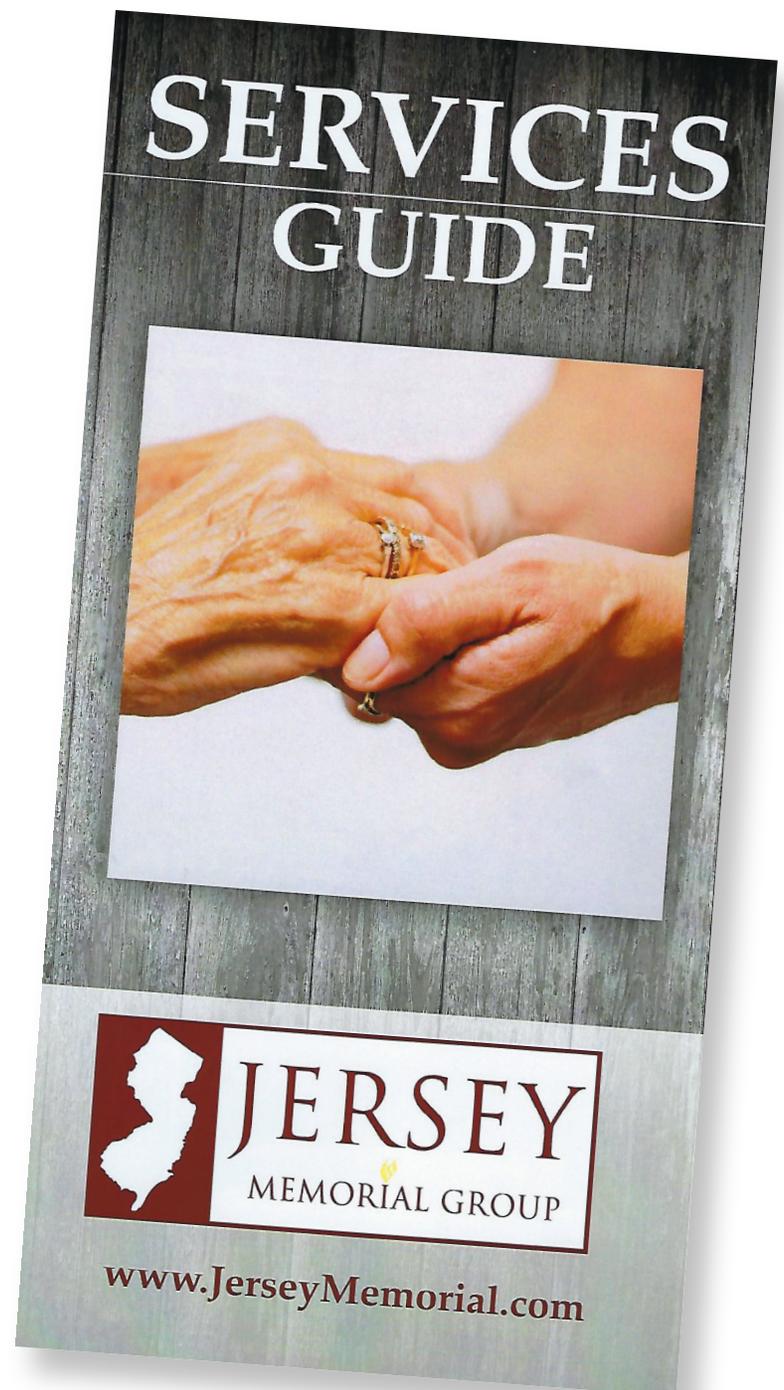
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