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## So. Amboy Approves Warehouse Project

The South Amboy Planning Board has unanimously approved a new warehouse facility at 111 Main Street in the City. Woodmont properties is slated to construct a 152,000 square foot warehouse distribution facility on 22 acres in the Broadway/Main Street redevelopment zone.

Founded in 1963 and based in Fairfield, NJ, Woodmont Properties is one of the region's leading developers of residential and commercial real estate. No stranger to South Amboy, Woodmont opened Woodmont Cove, a residential development, in 2017.

When asked for comment Woodmont Executive Vice President Stephen Santola said, "South Amboy understands redevelopment like few other towns in New Jersey. They have a vision and negotiate fairly and firmly to see that vision come to light. It is always a pleasure to work with a municipality that follows through on its commitments and expects the redeveloper to do the same."

In the past few years South Amboy has been experiencing intense interest from commercial and residential developers due to its close proximity to major highways and its location on the shores of the Raritan Bay.

"This project will be constructed with union labor and will bring additional jobs to the City. It will also provide environmental remediation to a brownfield site and add another piece to the revitalization of our

## South Amboy Honors Three Residents



South Amboy Mayor Fred Henry and City Council members honored three City of South Amboy residents with Resolutions at the recent council meeting. Pictured (l-r) Councilman Tom Reilly, Surjit Singh, Edward Szatkowski Jr, Kimberly Seber, Councilwoman Zuzette Dato and Mayor Fred Henry. See page 12 for the resolutions that were presented. (Photo by Brian Stratton)

waterfront" said Mayor Fred Henry. "The northern part of the City is adjacent to major highways making it an ideal location for warehousing while the southern end with its easy access to the Raritan Bay waterfront makes it a very desirable location for residential developers," said Business Administrator Glenn Skarzynski.

## St. Stan's Car Show Oct. 30th

By Clem Skarzynski

St. Stan's 1st Annual Car Show will be held on Saturday, Oct. 30th at the St. Stan's School Grounds, 221 MacArthur Ave., Sayreville from 1-5 p.m. The event is open to all models-cars, trucks, and motorcycles. Staging and day of registration begins at 12 noon. Two special Memorial Trophies will be awarded in memory of Tommy Samuels, who was the Official Photographer for St. Stan's Annual Carnival, and Jerry Ust for his years of outstanding work as the Borough's Recreation Director. He also instituted the "Blast From The Past" Car Show and Concert, which ran in the Borough for over 12 years. D.J. Richie "Flash," along with the "Just Us Cruisers," and "Clem And Friends" will be there with the music and their club, as they have been for 12 years at the "Blast From The Past" Car Show and Concert. A prize will be awarded for Best Decorated Trunk or Treat Vehicle.

Many, many thanks to Chris Bardsley, Dan Hockenjos, Annette "Sissy" Hockenjos, Brian Jackowski, and Tony Jackowski, for their efforts in putting this show together, and especially for having "Clem & Friends" and "D.J. Richie Flash," and the Just Us Cruisers Car Club, be a part of it, and to honor our dear friend, Jerry Ust, through the Car Show, with a trophy in his name. Thank you guys!

Don't forget to wear your costume at the fun for all event, and of course, there will be candy! Cost is \$10 for all vehicles.

## Veterans Day Service-Nov. 11th

American Legion Luke A. Lovely Post #62, South Amboy, in affiliation with the city of South Amboy, will be holding a Veterans Day Service on Thursday, Nov. 11th, 11 a.m. in front of City Hall on South Broadway. All are welcome to attend.



Former Cubmaster and current Committee Chair, of Pack #796, Sayreville, Jeff Schnitzer (r) is pictured with scouts and others near their table at Sayreville's centennial celebration, see more photos on page 18. (Photo by Tom Burkard)



There was something for everyone at South Amboy's Inaugural Irish Festival. See more photos on page 17. (Photo by Brian Stratton)

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**100th Birthday**



Francis "Buddy" Vanni celebrated his 100th Birthday on Sept 27, 2021. He is a lifelong resident of South Amboy and a WWII veteran and in 2016 was named the "Oldest Living Veteran" in the South Amboy Memorial Day Parade. He loves to watch sports, especially the Yankees, and is a big fan of Lady Gaga. He is much loved by his family, who came to celebrate from across the USA. (Photos/info submitted)



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**Talk Of The Towns**

**By Tom Burkard**  
**Great Job, Mickey & Committee**  
 Congratulations go out to South Amboy City Council President Michael "Mickey" Gross, the Irish Festival Committee, and everyone who helped make the Inaugural South Amboy Irish Festival an outstanding success, as thousands of people attended this great event! Everyone is looking forward to next year's festival!

**Congratulations Kelly!**  
 Our special congratulations are extended to Kelly Kronowski, who submitted the winning entry design for the Borough of Sayreville's new seal. Beautiful work, Kelly!

**John "Flip" Phillips On Youtube.Com**  
 If you haven't had a chance to check out The SA Times feature writer John "Flip" Phillips excellent music, which can be found on youtube.com, go to: www.youtube.com/philliik/user.

**College Achievements**

Stephen McLaughlin, son of Councilman Brian and his wife Amy of South Amboy, was on the Spring Dean's List at The Citadel. Congrats Stephen, and keep up the excellent work!

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**Pleasant Little TRIVIA** By Tom Burkard

- Sayreville's Business Administrator in 1998?  
 a. Jayne Mynesko b. Joseph D'Arco c. Vijay Patel
- South Amboy schools Superintendent in '96?  
 a. Robert Dicker b. Mary S. Pakomski c. Gerald Terrell
- In 1971, where was the Fryers Shop located in South Amboy?  
 a. North Broadway b. South Stevens Ave. c. South Pine Ave.
- The Commander of Sayreville VFW Post 4699 in 1996?  
 a. Ray Garnett b. Ed Strek c. Joe Castellano
- In '71, where was Villa D'Sardo located in the Morgan section of Sayreville?  
 a. Old Spy Rd. b. Rt. 35 North c. Luke St.
- Sayreville council President in 1996?  
 a. Richard Brauchle b. George Diffin c. Howard Griffiths
- Harbor Lights Restaurant was located in South Amboy in 2001. Where?  
 a. Ridgeway Ave. b. North Stevens Ave. c. South Broadway
- Received the most votes in the '06 Sayreville Board of Ed election?  
 a. Leonard Zaleski b. Jill Trapp c. Kevin Ciak
- In 2006 the South Amboy Board of Adjustment Chairperson?  
 a. George Forrer b. James Riehl c. B. Judith Lecki
- Named Principal of Sacred Heart School in 2004?  
 a. Jonathan Mietkiewicz b. Sister M. Trinity c. Sister M. Kateri

Answers  
 1b 2a 3c 4a 5b 6c 7c 8a 9b 10c

## Business Of The Month Mid Jersey Medical Supplies and Fittings by Sheila Mastectomy Boutique



Owners Jorge and Rosario Gonzalez-Gomez are pictured in front of their highly-successful business, Mid Jersey Medical Supplies and Fittings by Sheila Mastectomy Boutique, located at 106 North Broadway, South Amboy.

Jorge said, "It is a true honor to be selected Business of The Month for this issue, The South Amboy-Sayreville Times 30th Anniversary edition."

He continued, "As we look back 27 years when we first opened our family business, Mid Jersey Medical Supplies and Fittings by Sheila Mastectomy Boutique; we can truly say that we've achieved the goal we set on September 29, 1994—which was "to serve the residents of the South Amboy and neighboring communities with dignity and compassion." We pride ourselves in providing our customers with medical equipment, and supplies, but more importantly, we coach them through their respective needs and in their troubling times. Regardless of the day, time, or holiday, we've made ourselves available to them. We are forever grateful to each customer whose life we have touched and

hopefully made better.

Jorge also stated that, "Our Nationally Accredited business participates with numerous insurance companies. Our product lines include diabetic & orthopedic shoes, compression hosiery, mastectomy forms and bras, wigs, mobility devices, braces, wound care, incontinence products, stairlifts, platform wheelchair lifts and ramps to name a few. We also provide respiratory consultative services for several long-term care facilities.

With God and our son & daughter as the nucleus of our business, we will continue servicing our loyal customers who've made us succeed.

Tom and Brian, you are both also responsible for our success and advertising in The South Amboy-Sayreville Times, which has also played a vital role in our successful trajectory."

## Artfest 2021 A Big Success

(Article submitted)

"Art washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life" (Pablo Picasso)

This past September the South Amboy Arts Alliance provided Artsfest2021 and the day was a beautiful sun filled day. The vendors set up, the stage arrived for our performers, we were cautious of distancing for safety so we offered face masks along with hand sanitizers for safety precautions and our hopes that a joyful day was felt by all.

How did we know? For those that registered, they let us know how they loved the event and want it to continue. Our goal was accomplished. Since the first Artsfest in 2010 our goal was to bring our community to Broadway to enjoy a day and meet new neighbors. So we used the arts to offer a place

to unwind by listening to performers, creating by experimenting and, for some, visiting the crafters' tablets to find that special piece of art to make them smile.

The South Amboy Arts Alliance is thankful for all who helped in our efforts: The City and their hard workers and Arts Alliance members: Jim Spinoso, Toni and Sam Pothoff, Richa Puri, Georgeann Tice, Tony Gonsalves, Luanne Toye, Jerry Smith and Camille Tooker. Our volunteers were so appreciated as well: Arsheya Puri who brought her friends to help at the art tables, Mary Taylor, SA PTA, Gabriel Alvarez, Beverly, Nadine Hochoa and our wonderful YMCA and most of all to all those who attended and had a good time!

## Rosary Rally At St. Bernadette



On Sat. Oct. 16th at 12 noon, an Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Rally was held in The Mary Garden outside Lourdes Center at St. Bernadette Parish. (Photo by Lois Ann Smith)

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## Yearbook - Hoffman 1976

By Tom Burkard

Hoffman High seniors probably were listening to tunes like "Get Down Tonight", and "Rhinestone Cowboy" as they embarked on their final year at the John St. school, in September, 1975. Teachers not to be forgotten by the Class of '76 were: Joanne Knier, Donna Nieder, Carlotta Miller, Barbara Russell, John Sullivan, Nancy Smith, Barbara Webb. The yearbook was dedicated to Febronia Grener, with a Memoriam to the late teacher/coach/athletic director, John Zdanewicz . . . 1976 marked the Nation's Bicentennial Year, and the yearbook's theme was "The Pursuit of Happiness." Mary Lou Sibol was the fabulous Editor. . . Hoffman's Class of '76 had a total of 63 graduates. Some of that fine group selected randomly were: Nancy Abbatiello, Amy Allen, Kathleen Barclay, Bryan Applegate, Richard Braun, Michael Cox, Marianne Woznica, Darlene Vattelana, Mike Makar, Debra McClung, Jerry McAndrew, Judy McCabe, Margaret Miranda, Kathleen Nemeth, Raymond Schnyderite, Donna Sekerak, Erin Switzer, John Ludlow. Their late classmate, Sue Revere was also remembered in the yearbook

. . . In 1976, Jimmy Carter was working hard on the campaign trail that would eventually lead him to the White House, as he defeated Gerald Ford in November . . . Senior Class President in Hoffman was Jim Jensen, Lynn Barna was V.P.; Eileen Zulin, Sec; Chris Dill, Treas.; Joanne Przybylski was Cheerleader Capt, and Mary Lou Sibol was Co-Captain; Lynn Barna was President of the National Honor Society, and Eileen Mulligan was President of Future Teachers of America Club . . . Who could forget the mysterious Legionnaires Disease that claimed the lives of 25 conventioners in '76 . . . The Governors had several standout senior athletes, such as George Bongiorno. Thomas Billich, Craig Coughlin (NJ Assembly Speaker), Christine Dill, George Hubbs, Collette Kowaleski, Richard Kukulski, Carol Kupcha, Daniel Lewis. Oscar Navarrette, Frank Richiusa, Ron Stillwagon, George Stader. . . The Hoffman High School Class of 1976 was a special mix of many interesting and talented individuals, who really did make the world a much better place.

### Your Vote Counts!

How to vote in the 2021 General Election Middlesex County provides easy voting methods, including voting in-person and voting early, mailing ballots through the USPS, or dropping a ballot in a secure drop box in over 30 locations countywide Residents will have many options for casting their votes in the 2021 General Election, including: mailing ballots through the USPS or dropping a ballot in a secure drop box, voting in-person early, or on Election Day, Tuesday, November 2, 2021.

A list of drop box locations located in every municipality throughout the County can be found on the County's website here. Drop boxes are maintained by the Middlesex County Board of Elections, are secure, and monitored by video surveillance. Ballots are collected from drop boxes on a regular basis. Mail-in Ballots for the General Election began being sent to voters on September 18. If you do not receive your ballot, you can request a replacement ballot from the County Clerk's office by calling 732-745-4202 or by sending a replacement ballot request form.

#### IN-PERSON EARLY VOTING

The County has created a convenient, easy to use resource to learn about how to vote in the General Election, found at Middlesexcountynj.gov/vote.

New to this election, the County is enabling all registered voters to cast their ballot in-person, using a voting machine, during a nine-day period prior to Election Day at any of the early voting locations within Middlesex County. Voters can now choose to vote, in-person, when it's most convenient for their schedule. In-person early voting locations will be open Saturday, October 23 through Sunday, October 31. Hours will be Monday-Saturday, 10 am - 8 pm and Sunday, 10 am - 6 pm. No appointment is necessary.

"Middlesex County is making voting as convenient for our voters as possible. This year, we are expanding the ways in which voters can cast their ballot with the addition of ten early voting locations throughout the County," said Middlesex County Clerk Nancy J. Pinkin. "Voting is the cornerstone of our democracy and a vital, all-important tool we as Americans use to shape our communities."

#### There are three ways to vote in the 2021 General Election:

- **Vote by Mail with a Mail-in Ballot**
- **In person Early Voting October 23 - October 31**
- **In person on Election Day November 2**

#### VOTE BY MAIL

Registered voters who wish to vote from the comfort of their home can submit a mail-in ballot request in writing by filling out a Mail-in Ballot Application found on the Middlesex County website. A personal signature is required. The County Clerk's office must receive Vote by Mail Applications by mail by Tuesday, October 26. Voters may apply for a Mail-in Ballot in person or by authorized messenger at the Office of the County Clerk in New Brunswick up to 3 pm the day before the election (Monday, November 1).

Voters can choose one of the following options to return their Mail-In ballot:

- Mail the ballot through the United States Postal Service. Mail-in Ballots must be postmarked on or before 8 pm on Election Day, Tuesday, November 2, 2021.
- Take it directly to the Board of Elections' Office, 11 Kennedy Boulevard, East Brunswick before 8 pm on Election Day, Tuesday, November 2, 2021.
- Drop the ballot in a designated Middlesex County Board of Elections drop box by 8 pm on November 2.

Mail-in Ballots cannot be returned to an in-person early voting location or Election Day polling places.

More information, including early voting locations, can be found by going to [www.middlesexcountynj.gov/vote](http://www.middlesexcountynj.gov/vote) and clicking on "Early Voting".

#### IN-PERSON VOTING ON ELECTION DAY

In-person voting is available to all registered voters in Middlesex County. Voters may vote in-person at their assigned polling place on Election Day, Tuesday, November 2, 2021. Click here to find your assigned polling location for the upcoming General Election. All polling locations will use new voting machines. The Express Vote XL voting machine is designed to be easy to use by all voters. It utilizes touch screen voting, offers several languages, and is fully ADA accessible.

Voters who receive a mail-in ballot but do not return their ballot may still vote in-person by provisional ballot at their assigned polling place on Election Day, Tuesday, November 2.

#### APPLICATION & REGISTRATION

##### DEADLINES

The deadline to register for the General Election was Tuesday, October 12.

The deadline to apply for a Mail-in Ballot by mail for the General Election is October 26. The deadline to apply for a Mail-in Ballot in person is November 1 by 3 pm

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Do you have old taxes, paperwork, documents and files that have important and/or confidential information that CAN'T be thrown away without risk of it falling into the wrong hands? Join Spezzi-Maliszewski Funeral Homes for our Fall Shredding on Saturday, Nov. 6th from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Carmen F. Spezzi Funeral Home, 15 Cherry Lane, Parlin. There will be FREE

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## South Amboy Fire Department Equipment Upgrade

(Photo/info submitted)

As part of an ongoing modernization process the City Volunteer Fire Department has accepted delivery of new air packs. Replacing current equipment that was approaching end of life service, the forty new Scott X3 Pro units and eighty cylinders will provide the City's volunteers with state-of-the-art safety equipment.

"Self-contained breathing apparatus is the most essential equipment to keep firefighters safe when making entry to burning buildings or other toxic environments," said Fire Chief Andrew Bielak. "We are grateful to the Mayor and Council for authorizing this purchase so we can continue our 130-year tradition of keeping our residents safe."

"The residents of South Amboy owe a debt of gratitude to all of our volunteer first responders. The capital improvements we have been able to accomplish this year to equip our firefighters with equipment upgrades will enable them to continue their important mission," said Mayor Fred Henry.

South Amboy will soon accept delivery of two state of the art E-One fire engines as well as two new Chief Command vehicles.



The City is served by five fire companies and is staffed entirely by local volunteers.

## Friends Of South Amboy Annual Basketball Tournament

The Friends of South Amboy are proud to announce the return of our Annual Charity Basketball Tournament on Saturday, December 18th at South Amboy Middle High School

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In addition to the games we will be selling 50/50 Tickets. Tickets can be purchased by contacting Michelle Kuhn at 732-310-4204. The winning ticket will be pulled at our charity event.

As in years past the event will feature local high school basketball games, as follows:

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

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



### HAPPY HOLIDAYS

### From The South Amboy Arts Alliance!

(News Release)

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**I WAS A SAILOR ONCE**

I liked standing on the bridge at sunrise with salt spray and ocean wind in my face, the ship beneath me feeling like a living thing as she drove swiftly through the sea. I liked the sounds of the Navy—the shrill boatswain's pipe, the ship's bell on the quarterdeck, the harsh squawk of the 1MC, and the strong language and laughter of the sailors. I liked Navy vessels: fast destroyers, plodding fleet auxiliaries and amphibs, sleek submarines and steady solid aircraft carriers. I liked the proud names of Navy ships: Midway, Lexington, Saratoga, Coral Sea, Antietam, Valley Forge...memorials of great battles won and tribulations overcome. I liked the lean angular names of Navy "tin-cans": Lawrence, Adams, King, Ricketts: and escorts; Dewey, Farragut, Law, McCloy momentos of heroes who went before us. And the others, San Jose, San Diego, Los Angeles, St. Paul, Chicago all named for our cities. I liked the tempo of a Navy band blaring through the topside speakers as we stood out to sea. I liked Liberty Call and the spicy scent of a foreign port. I even liked the all-hands working parties as my ship filled herself with stores, ammunition, and fuel in order to cut ties to the land and carry out her mission anywhere on the globe. I liked sailors from all parts of the land. We trusted and depended on each other for competence, comradeship, strength and courage. They were "shipmates" for then and forever. I liked the surge of adventure in my heart, when the word was passed: "Now set the special sea and anchor detail—all hands to quarters for leaving port." I liked the thrill of visiting home again, with the waving hands of welcome from family and friends waiting on the pier side. The work was hard and dangerous, the going rough at times; the parting from loved ones painful, but the companionship of robust Navy laughter, the "all for one and one for all" philosophy of the sea was ever present. I liked the serenity of the sea after a day of hard ship's work, as flying fish flitted across the wave tops and sunset gave way to night. I liked the feel of the Navy in darkness—the mast head and range lights, the red and green navigation lights and stern light, the pulsating phosphorescence of radar repeaters—they cut

through the dusk and joined with the mirror of stars overhead. And I liked drifting off to sleep lulled by the myriad of noises that told me that my ship was well, and that my shipmates on watch would keep me safe. I liked quiet mid-watches with the aroma of strong coffee; the lifeblood of the Navy permeating everywhere. And I liked the hectic watches when the exact minute of haze-gray shapes racing at light speed kept all hands on a razor edge of alertness. I liked the sudden cry of "General quarters, general quarters, all hands man your battle stations," followed by the clamor of running feet on ladders and the resounding thump of watertight doors as the ship transformed herself in a few seconds from a peaceful workplace to a weapon of war ready for anything. And I liked the sight of space-age equipment manned by youngsters clad in dungarees and sound-powered phones that their grandfathers would still recognize. I liked the traditions of the Navy and those who made them. I liked the proud names of Navy heroes: Halsey, Nimitz, Perry, Farragut, John Paul Jones, and Burke. A sailor could find much in the Navy: comrades-in-arms, pride in self and country, mastery of the seaman's trade. In years to come, when sailors are home from the sea, they will still remember with fondness and respect the ocean in all its moods—the impossible shimmering mirror calm or the storm—tossed green water surging over the bow. And then there will come again a faint whiff of stack gas, a faint echo of engine and rudder orders, a vision of the bright bunting of signal flags snapping at the yardarm, a refrain of hearty laughter in the wardroom and chief's quarters and mess decks. Gone ashore for good they will grow wistful about their Navy days, when the seas belonged to them and a new port of call was ever over the horizon. Remembering this, they will stand taller and they will say, "I WAS A SAILOR ONCE AND I WOULD DO IT AGAIN."

**Submitted by:  
Rich Kosmoski  
U.S.S. Lawrence DDG-4  
U.S. NAVY 1967-1971  
\*Originally printed in CWV.**

**Congratulations**



Pictured (l-r) Bo & Kimberly Carlson who celebrated their 25th Anniversary August 17, along with her parents Bernadine and Kenneth Revolinsky, who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary, September 25th, are shown following the Silver & Golden Wedding Jubilee Prayer Service at St. Francis of Assisi Cathedral in Metuchen on Sunday, August 17. Both couples were married at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church in Sayreville. The Jubilee Prayer Service was conducted by Bishop Checchio. (Photo/info submitted)

**5K and Fun Runs**

On Sunday November 14th, 2021, the Old Bridge-Sayreville Rotary Club will be sponsoring a 5K for Veterans Housing with all proceeds going to benefit veterans housing efforts. The Kids Fun Run will begin at 9:00am and the 5K Race will begin at 9:30am. Sign-up early (before November 11th) and contribute \$15 for the Kids Fun Run and \$25 for the 5K. Sign-up after November 11th and contribute \$20 for the Kids Fun

Run and \$30 for the 5K. The location will be the Sayreville Sports Complex at 441 Bordentown Avenue Sayreville, NJ 08872. Please contact Jonathan Massey at 732-326-4913 or [jonmassey22@gmail.com](mailto:jonmassey22@gmail.com) with any inquiries or if you would like to sponsor the race. Register at: [www.runsignup.com/Race/NJ/Sayreville/5kRunForVets](http://www.runsignup.com/Race/NJ/Sayreville/5kRunForVets). Come out to have some fun while helping the Rotary Club honor our brave veterans this November 14th!

**Evigan Stars In New Christmas Movie**

Former Sayreville resident and superb actor, Greg Evigan will star in a new Christmas TV movie, "Blending Christmas." The movie will also feature other well-known actors including Christopher Knight, Susan

Olsen, Barry Williams, and Hayley Duff. "Blending Christmas" will make its debut on the Lifetime Channel, Dec. 12th at 8 p.m. Congratulations Greg! Sayreville and South Amboy are proud of you!



Left to Right: Dr. Jorge and Rosario Gonzalez-Gomez, owners of Mid Jersey Medical Supplies, and also Fittings by Sheila Mastectomy Boutique and Library Director Elaine Gaber got together to plan the South Amboy BIZ FAIR, that will be held on Dec. 6th. (Photo by Holly Smith)

### South Amboy BIZ FAIR

South Amboy's BIZ FAIR will take place on Monday, December 6 from 4-8 pm at the Sadie Pope Dowdell Library. Promote your business just in time for holiday shopping! This will be an amazing, inexpensive opportunity for local businesses, home-based businesses, online businesses, entrepreneurs, non-profit organizations or corporations who would like to reach local markets. Businesses who participate will be included in the event's Business Directory. Register today to save a spot - contact the Library at comments@dowdell.org OR 732.721.6060 OR log onto www.dowdell.org. A \$25 donation is requested per table. Hot cocoa will be served and holiday cookies may be purchased. Join us for a fun holiday shopping opportunity!

### OLV Seniors November Meeting

The OLV Seniors will hold their November meeting on Friday, November 5, 2021 at 1:00 PM in Monsignor Dalton Hall. At this meeting dues of \$15.00 will be collected. All new members are welcome. Lunch will be served at 12:30 prior to the meeting. The choices of sandwiches are: turkey, ham and cheese, and tuna. Please call Carmen Delikat at 732-254-9425 if you have not ordered your sandwich no later than October 28, 2021. After the business portion of the meeting, we will have a light dessert and beverages. Due to the constant presence of Covid 19, wearing masks is an

### Bucket List Dreams!



Laura Toth is pictured after finishing the Boston Marathon recently. She did it in 4 hrs and 7 minutes. It was one of the things on her bucket list that she wanted to do. Awesome job! Congratulations Laura! (Photo/info submitted by Mike Toth)



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## Tribute To A Friend And Drummer Who...“Owned The Drums”

By Clem Skarzynski

He was the “beat” of the “Morgan Mob” of musicians...Mr. Santo “Sammy” Cavallaro. His drumming expertise was in demand in our area and beyond from the early 60’s, thru the 90’s. I hooked up with Sammy in high school, along with Morgan’s premier tenor saxman, Jerry “Mokes” Mocar. As all of us rocker “Wannabees” wandered and roamed from band to band through our school years, we developed a camaraderie unequalled.



Sammy Cavallaro is pictured behind the “kit” during the 1998 Rock ‘n’ Roll Reunion fundraiser at The Music Box nightclub in South Amboy. (Photo courtesy of Clem Skarzynski)

In my senior year, I was asked to join up with the 3rd edition of Sayreville’s top group, The Elegants, as they also needed a drummer...Sammy was the pick. This began a true friendship between him and I. How I remember riding around in Sammy’s ‘58 Chevy that burned so much oil, that he had a case of oil in quarts to stop every so many miles, and dump into the empty crankcase—that was my job.

My most cherished memory with Sam was when we took the ‘58 Chevy all the way to Asbury Park Convention Hall to see “Paul Revere and The Raiders” in concert! My first ever concert! We had a blast...oh yeah...our mascot was the infamous “Rubber Chicken” which held high esteem on the ‘58’s antenna! We worked together with The Elegants at “The Cave” and numerous Rutgers Frat parties. (I won’t get into that here in this family newspaper), through the late ‘60’s. Then we went our “ways,” working with new musicians to hone our “crafts.” In 1996, I began to organize the ‘98 Rock ‘n’ Roll Reunion, a fundraiser for the new Morgan First Aid building on Rt. 35 North. I, without hesitation, got in touch with Sammy to be a part of the event, and we became “The South Amboy/Sayreville All-Stars for a show at Kennedy Park’s 4th of July Fireworks Show. Sammy was behind the kit, where he belonged!

Rest well, my Dear Friend...Thank you for those musical and friendship memories. We’ll miss you Sammy, but we’ll never forget you!



The 3rd edition of Sayreville’s “The Elegants” circa 1967 are pictured (l-r) Sammy Cavallaro, Clem Skarzynski, Tom Gurgol, John Bates, Frank Piscatelli. (Photo courtesy of Clem Skarzynski)

## Song Shootout-Top 25 (Sept. 12-Oct. 12)

Out of 100 song videos posted on our Facebook Page last month, the following 25 were the most viewed. The number of views is posted after the performer’s name. 1-This Magic Moment-Jay & The Americans 23; 2-Werewolves of London-Warren Zevon 22; 3-Teach Your Children-Crosby, Stills & Nash 21; 4-Gimme Some Lovin’-The Spencer Davis Group 18; 5-I’ll Have To Say I Love You In A Song-Jim Croce 17; 6-Taxi-Harry Chapin 16; 7-Runaway-Del Shannon 15; 8-Oh Pretty Woman-Roy Orbison 14; 9-Everybody Loves A Clown-Gary Lewis & The Playboys 14; 10-Day After Day-Badfinger 14; 11-Glad All Over-The Dave

Clark Five; 12-Sister Golden Hair-America 13; 13-The Wanderer-Dion 13; 14-Open Arms-Journey 12; 15-You Were On My Mind-We Five-12; 16-Why Me Lord-Kris Kristofferson 12; 17-Heard It In A Love Song-The Marshall Tucker Band 11; 18-Amie-Pure Prairie League 11; 19-Radar Love-Golden Earring 11; 20-Cherish-The Association 10; 21-Tears On My Pillow-Little Anthony & The Imperials 10; 22-Leader of the Band-Dan Fogelberg 10; 23-I’ll Never Fall In Love Again-Tom Jones 10; 24-I Walk The Line-Johnny Cash 10; 25-Can’t Find The Time-Orpheus 10.



1965-This young band is pictured playing at a friend’s party. In photo (l-r) Mark Ellvinger, Peter Palame, and Paul Wojciechowski. Two of the musicians, Mark and Peter went on to form The Vibratones with Donnie Spitzer and Eddie Francik. The talented youngsters cut a 45 record, “My Girl Cheryl,” and “Surfin’ Way.” (Photo/info courtesy of Mark Ellvinger)

## MUSIC TRIVIA

By Tom Burkard

1. Time Passages
2. The Longest Time
3. Time Has Come Today
4. Time
5. Time In A Bottle
6. Times Of Your Life
7. Times They Are A Changin’
8. Time Of The Season
9. If I Could Turn Back Time
10. Does Anybody Really Know What Time It Is?
11. Any Time At All
12. Time After Time
13. Time Won’t Let Me
14. Good Timin’
15. Love Me Two Times
16. No Time Left For You
17. Big Time
18. Old Time Rock And Roll
19. The Last Time
20. Closing Time



## Time

- a. The Outsiders
- b. The Zombies
- c. Peter Gabriel
- d. Jimmy Jones
- e. Billy Joel
- f. The Doors
- g. Jim Croce
- h. Cyndi Lauper
- i. Bob Seger
- j. The Guess Who
- k. The Rolling Stones
- l. Bob Dylan
- m. Semisonic
- n. Al Stewart
- o. The Beatles
- p. Paul Anka
- q. Chicago
- r. Hootie/The Blowfish
- s. The Chambers Brothers
- t. Cher

Answers

1n 2e 3s 4r 5g 6p 7i 8b 9t 10q 11o 12h 13a 14d 15f 16j 17c 18! 19k 20m.

## WOLD Appeals To Listeners

By Steve Schmid

Oldies station WOLD 95.1 FM is appealing to its listeners for help as it works to rebuild following severe damage caused by the remnants of Hurricane Ida August 31. In a statement on Facebook, station manager and morning host Shawn Ryan said floodwaters of 6 feet completely inundated the main floor of the building. He said that every piece of equipment was destroyed taking the station off the air as they scrambled to find an alternate site to broadcast from. He said within a week they secured just enough equipment to operate in a very limited fashion. As a result some program hosts,

features, and other elements are not available until the station is rebuilt to what it was before the flood. Shawn is thankful to the listeners for their kind words and support. He noted they are still in need of thousands of dollars in equipment that needs to be replaced. He said a Go Fund Me page has been established to help WOLD “Build Back Stronger.” He said the listeners are passionate and loyal when it comes to “their oldies.” If you wish to help you can send a check or money order to: 95.1 WOLD C/O SRN Communications P.O. 291 Manville NJ 08835.

### #1 Pop Hits-Oct. 30th

- 2002-A Moment Like This-Kelly Clarkson
- 1991-Emotions-Mariah Carey
- 1985-Saving All My Love For You-Whitney Houston
- 1974-Then Came You-Dionne Warwick/The Spinners
- 1968-Hey Jude-The Beatles
- 1955-Autumn Leaves-Roger Williams

### #1 Country Hits Oct. 30th

- 2004-I Hate Everything-George Strait
- 1991-Anymore-Travis Tritt
- 1988-Gonna Take A Lot Of River-The Oak Ridge Boys
- 1977-Heaven’s Just A Sin Away-The Kendalls
- 1966-Open Up Your Heart-Buck Owens
- 1955-That Do Make It Nice-Eddy Arnold
- 1944-Smoke On The Water-Red Foley

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# The Halloween Which Wasn't

By Elaine Holton Scott

I remember how happy I felt seeing my son and his three friends building what was supposed to look like a coffin on our patio. They were all 14 years old, an age when boys are still children but teetering on manhood. He and his friends had felt they were too old to go trick or treating, so they came up with an idea how to celebrate Halloween, one of the most exciting times of the year, even beating out Christmas for many kids back then. So, they decided to dress like monks wearing hoods attached to robes, 3 wearing black, and one in white who would walk in front of the casket. Sewing most of my life, I somehow made the three black robes without a pattern during one weekend. I remember, too, how I had decorated the front of my house, including the garage windows, with hand drawn maple leaves using colored construction paper. For adults around my age, Halloween was "in our blood"...all the happy memories of Halloween bags filled with those big Hershey Bars, and, boy, were they big, still filling our heads. Then, it happened. Somehow hearing weirdos were planning to insert razor blades into apples and anything else their twisted minds could do to harm children, the Borough of Sayreville called off Halloween. The year was 1983, a year, which literally began spoiling Halloween for the years to come. Halloween has never been the same all because of truly evil people.

Growing up in Mechanicsville, on the "other side of the hole in the wall," the mostly forgotten side, was at a time when NOTHING was on the long walk to town, absolutely nothing. So, we did our trick or treating house to house without any adults along with all the other kids. Nancy Newcomb Schade, and I were only in third grade when we went out by ourselves. The unbreakable "rule" was to be home by 8 o'clock. Another "rule" was not to go into Melrose. Of course, we had ignored both.

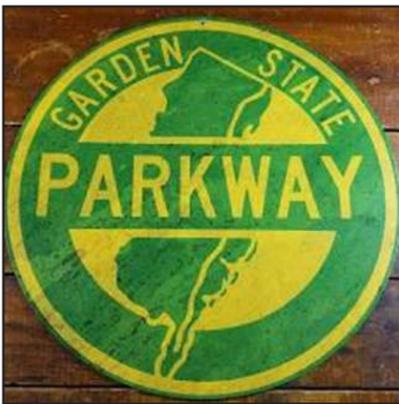
After WWII and later the Korean War, there just wasn't just a baby boom....there was a baby explosion. Seemed like most women of child bearing age were pregnant.... and continued getting pregnant. Soon, little Mechanicsville, with its three and a half streets, was literally overflowing with kids. When I was small, no child ever went out to trick or treat during daylight. Only at the

onset of darkness did all of us kids run out the door with our bags to get the most candy we could. Chocolate is what we had wanted. After that first year, we bypassed the houses which gave out only bags of homemade popcorn or apples. Pennies were okay as just one cent could buy loose candy, sometimes even two pieces, after we had eaten all the chocolate bars. For "energy," Nance and I would begin eating them as we hurriedly made our rounds.

In the '50's, guys who had fought in WWII and the Korean War, sometimes both wars, had come home to an abundance of jobs, usually jobs working in factories like National Lead, DuPont's, and Hercules. There was no leisure time for them. Back to work they all went as if the wars hadn't happened. How they were psychologically able to do that after all they had gone through is astounding. As for all the white collar jobs, they had been mostly dependent upon getting business from the factory workers. So, really everyone "was in the same boat" especially in the small towns of South Amboy and Sayreville, just like it had been across the country.

The 1950s was a decade of plenty. Weekly paychecks enabled families to make large purchases like cars, television sets, wringer washer machines, and refrigerators ending the use of the pain in the neck ice boxes. Commercials on the new television sets had shown adults all they could buy, while tempting kids with commercials for everything a child would want. Watching them, I remember how the Chiquita Banana and Bosco commercials made me want to put bananas in my cereal and drink as much chocolate milk made with Bosco as I could. All the old-time cowboy shows like Roy Rogers, Gene Autry, and Hopalong Cassidy had a huge effect on our young minds too.

Those days are over....so, too, the Halloween of years gone by. Living now in an adult community, instead of kids coming to trick or treat, I go to my neighbors to hand them quart sized, Ziplock bags filled with chocolate, always leaving a bag in my mailbox for the "mail person" who delivers the mail that day. People really don't change with age, I have discovered. Halloween will always remain my favorite "holiday" of all. Happy Halloween to you all!!!



October What Exit.. This exit will take you to a zoo where large Tortoises helped get the zoo its name. Think you know send your answer to satimes@aol.com by November 13th.

## What Exit?

By Brian and Phyllis Stratton

### September What Exit:

Last month's answer was Exit 172-the beginning or the end of the line, depending where you start! 172 is the Exit at the New York state line at Montvale.

The following answered correctly: John Gelsinon, Vincent Farina, Betty Leveille, Pat & Bill Scully, Laurie & Gary Loftus, Steven Laskiewicz, Eleanore Westerholm, Marie English and Ed English, Karen Kieselowsky.



Some of those who attended the Freedom Festival, which was sponsored by the Sayreville GOP are pictured above. The event was held at Madison Park Firehouse, and the money was donated to the Leave No Veteran Behind Fund. (Photo by Art Rittenhouse)

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## South Amboy Honors Three Residents

Continued from Page 1  
(Photos by Brian Stratton)

### SURJIT SINGH

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of South Amboy would like to acknowledge Surjit Singh for his volunteer service and dedication to the City of South Amboy; and

WHEREAS, Surjit Singh graduated from Manhattan Comprehensive High School and received a certification in Automotive Service, Electronics and Service Station Specialist from the School of Cooperative Technical Education Manhattan; and

WHEREAS, Surjit Singh has owned and operated John Auto Center since 2007 and he and his family moved to South Amboy in 2019; and

WHEREAS, Surjit Singh has dedicated many volunteer hours for local charities including the Knights of Columbus and Friends of South Amboy as well as supporting the South Amboy Police Department. With a loving wife and two adorable children, he is an active member at the Sikh Temple as well.



NOW, THEREFORE, WE, The Governing Body of the City of South Amboy, would like to thank Surjit Singh for his dedication and for his extensive volunteer work for the City of South Amboy.

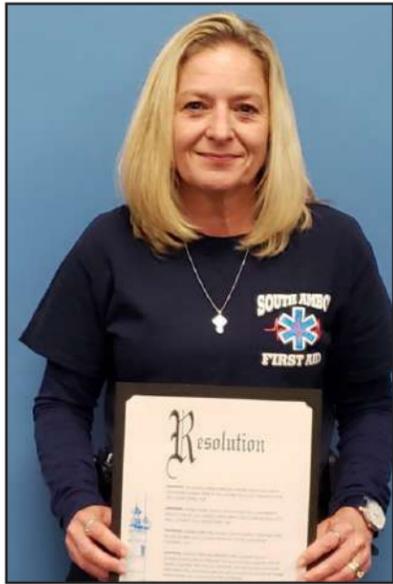
### KIMBERLY SEBER

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of South Amboy would like to acknowledge Kimberly Seber for her volunteer service and dedication to the City of South Amboy; and

WHEREAS, Kimberly Seber moved to South Amboy from Union Beach in 2002 and met her now husband Charlie Seber to form a blended family of 2 sons, 1 daughter and 3 grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Kimberly Seber has worked in the Information Technology Field for over 30 years and is currently employed with SHI International Corporation; and

WHEREAS, Kimberly Seber has dedicated many volunteer hours in combating opioid use as a Naloxone training community organizer, FED UP! Coalition volunteer, Recovery Coach, Peer Parent Coach and Knock Opioid Abuse Day community organizer and is a South Amboy First Aid Squad Active member. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Kimberly Seber completed and passed her National Registry EMT certification. Kimberly is also Chairperson for the South Amboy Municipal Alliance.



Most recently, Kimberly has become certified as the first volunteer for Middlesex County with The Phoenix.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, The Governing Body of the City of South Amboy, would like to thank Kimberly Seber for her dedication to our youth and for her extensive volunteer work.

### EDWARD SZATKOWSKI JR.

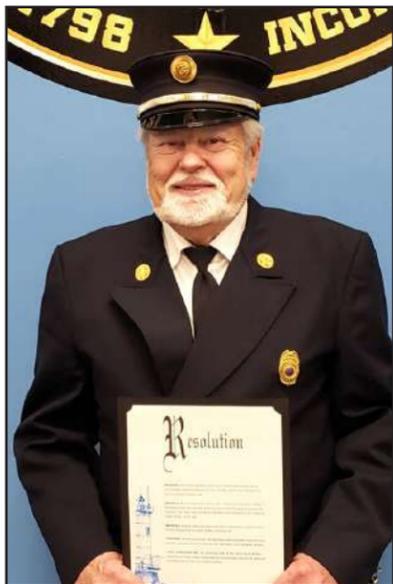
WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of South Amboy would like to acknowledge Edward Szatkowski for his volunteer service and dedication to the City of South Amboy; and

WHEREAS, Edward Szatkowski has 55 years of service to the South Amboy Fire Department and has held several positions over the years including Fire Marshall, Fire Chief, Executive Board Secretary, and President of the Fraternal Order of Fire. 2019; and

WHEREAS, Edward Szatkowski along with Burk Lambertson is credited with the fire rescue of an occupant inside a building; and

WHEREAS, Edward Szatkowski has dedicated many volunteer hours for local charities including the Lions Club and the Middlesex County Emerald Society.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, The Governing Body of the City of South



Amboy, would like to thank Edward Szatkowski for his dedication and for his extensive volunteer work for the City of South Amboy.

## Veterans Day

By John "Flip" Phillips

November 11th is the day we remember and thank those who over the years took an oath and pledged to support and defend our country. Sayreville and South Amboy have "many" veterans. I am sure they remember the day they raised their right hand and took the oath of enlistment. Some gave their life honoring that pledge, to them so much is owed. Those that served and were honorably separated from the military became "Veterans". This article is about that Oath:

### History

It was first given to new Colonial Army volunteers during the Revolutionary War. The first bill of the first Constitutional Congress signed on June 1, 1789, was to officially document the oath for both enlisted and officer personnel. Over the years the oath changed to reflect current events and times. For example, prior to 1862 both officers and enlisted personnel took the same oath. In 1862 a separate Loyalty Oath was established for officers swearing loyalty to the Union during the Civil War.

### The Revolutionary War Oath

I "name" have this day, voluntarily enlisted myself as a soldier in the American Continental Army for one year unless sooner discharged: and do bind myself to conform in all instances to such rules and regulations as are or shall be established for the government of the said Army.

### The 1789 Oath

I "name" swear to be true to the United States of America, and to serve honestly and faithfully against all enemies and oppressors whatsoever; and to observe and obey the orders of the Continental Congress and the orders of the Generals and officers over me.

### Today: The Enlisted Oath

I "name" do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I will obey the orders of the President of the United States and the orders of the officers appointed over me according to the Military Code of Justice. So, help me God

### The Commissioned Officers Oath

I "name" having been appointed an officer in the (Army, Navy etc.) as indicated above in the grade of (Rank) of the United States do solemnly swear that

I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservations or purpose of evasion; and that I will and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter. So, help me God.

I took the oath when I enlisted in the Marines on a warm June morning in 1958 in New York City, just 5 days after graduating from Saint Mary's. I will always remember that large room full of young people about to enter the United States: Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard or Marines. The oath was given by a senior officer. He told us to think carefully before we took the oath, because once we took it we were committed to 6 years of military obligation. This included active duty and reserve time. After taking the oath off we went to begin a new adventure and chapter in our lives. For me it was an adventure I will never forget!

### I am proud to be a United States Marine Corps veteran.

To all Veterans: Thanks for your service!  
**Note:** "name" would be the name of the person enlisting and taking the oath.



John "Flip" Phillips

## WHAT IS IT?????

By Brian and Phyllis Stratton



Do you know what this item is? Send your answer to satimes@aol.com by November 13th

### September What Is It?

#### Dinglehopper

Last month's object looked just like a fork but we were looking for the name that was given to it in a certain movie. That movie was The Little Mermaid and according to Scuttle the seagull it was a Dinglehopper!

Ariel the little mermaid used it as a hair comb. Those who correctly identified it were: Meredith Kwitkoski, John Gelsinon, Vincent Farina, Kaitlyn Duggan, JoAnn & John French, Marl Moniello, Betty Leveille, Pat & Bill Scully, Lynn Loy, Steven Laskiewicz, Marie English and Ed

English, Craig Yetsko, Karen Kieselowsky, Dane Colburn, Steve Villig.



The Atlas moth from Asia, which is the largest in the world, was spotted at Hershey Gardens Butterfly Atrium recently. (Photo by Tom Burkard)



## Firefighters Memorial Mass

Photos/captions/story submitted  
By Rich Kosmoski - Ex-Chief Sayreville Fire Dept.



Father Stanley Gromadzki prepares for the Firefighter's Memorial Mass as he contemplates the dangers the firefighters encounter when doing their jobs. He is standing alongside the traditional fire bell which was rung as a final salute to the fallen firefighters.



Participating in the Memorial Mass was Ex-Chief Michael Fulham of the Sayreville Fire Department, Chaplain Fr. Stanley Gromadzki, and Assistant Chief David Szatkowski of the South Amboy Fire Department.



Ex-Chief Rich Kosmoski from the Sayreville Fire Department talks about the dangers of being a firefighter while Ex-Chief Michael Geraltowski of the South Amboy Fire Department prepares to ring the fire bell as a final salute of those firefighters that have answered their final alarm as firefighters from both fire departments look on.

On Saturday evening, October 2, 2021, a Firefighter's Memorial Mass and Services were held at the Church of the Sacred Heart in South Amboy. Pastor Stanley Gromadzki, Pastor of Sacred Heart Church and Chaplain of the South Amboy Fire Department and of the New Jersey Volunteer Fire Chief's Association performed the Firefighter's Mass. The Memorial Service was presented by Ex-Chief Rich Kosmoski from the Sayreville Fire Department and Ex-Chief Mike Geraltowski of the South Amboy Fire Department. This was a joint Memorial Service of the Sayreville and South Amboy Fire Departments. During the service, firefighters from both departments, who had answered their final alarm in the past year,

were mentioned in Memoriam. A presentation was given by Chief Kosmoski on how the firefighters responded to emergency calls during the Covid pandemic. He also discussed how responding firefighters place the lives of those in jeopardy above their own lives. Too many times firefighters think they are invincible when taking on a lifesaving task. A talk was given on how the routine fire call, that firefighters respond to daily, suddenly turns "un-routine" and firefighters are placed in a very dangerous situation. Many fire calls can turn deadly in an instant. The Services were closed with the ringing of the traditional fire bell, rung in a series of "Fives" as a final tribute to those firefighters who had passed.

## 2022 A NEW YEAR for SA Arts Experiences

(News Release)

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  - Garlic Knots (6).....4.00
  - Eggplant Rolatini (3).....8.00
  - Buffalo Calamari .....11.95
  - Chicken Fingers (5) (w. French Fries).....9.95
  - Fried Calamari.....11.95
  - Mussels.....12.00
  - Shrimp Platter (6).....12.00
  - Garlic Shrimp (6).....12.00

- SALADS**
- Dressing: Oil & Vinegar, Italian, Creamy Italian, French, Ranch, Bleu Cheese, Honey Mustard, Balsamic Vinaigrette, Thousand Islands, Balsamic Vinegar & Caesar
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  - Eggplant Parmigiana.....9.95
  - Veal Parmigiana.....11.95
  - Shrimp Parmigiana.....12.95

- CHICKEN HOT SUBS**
- "10 inches"
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  - Grilled Buffalo Chicken.....9.95
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  5. Steak Fajita Wrap
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  7. Buffalo Chicken
  8. BBQ Chicken
  9. Sausage, Peppers & Onions
  10. Ham, & Provolone
  11. Ham, Salami & Provolone
  12. Roasted Turkey
  13. Eggplant Parmigiana
  14. Lulu Wrap (Grilled Shrimp w/ Romaine Lettuce & Caesar Dressing)
  15. Philly Cheesesteak
  16. Chicken Bacon Ranch
  17. Grilled Veggie

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  - White w/ Broccoli (Sauteed Broccoli, Ricotta & Mozzarella Cheese)
  - White w/ Spinach (Sauteed Spinach, Ricotta & Mozzarella Cheese)
  - Grandma Pie (Very Thin Pizza w/ Tomato Sauce, Pesto Sauce & Mozzarella Cheese)
  - Hawaiian (Ham, Pineapple & Mozzarella Cheese)
  - Philly Steak (Steak, Peppers, Onions, American & Mozzarella Cheese)
  - Mexican (Ground Beef, Tomatoes, Onions, Hot Peppers, Cheddar & Mozzarella Cheese)
  - Baked Ziti (Ziti, Marinara Sauce, Ricotta & Mozzarella Cheese)
  - Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad (Romaine Lettuce, Parmesan, Mozzarella Cheese & Caesar Dressing)
  - 5 Cheese (Provolone, American, Cheddar, Parmesan & Mozzarella Cheese)
  - Vodka (Fresh Mozzarella Cheese, Basil & Vodka Sauce)
  - Bruschetta (Fresh Tomatoes, Red Onions, Basil, Olive Oil, Garlic & Mozzarella Cheese)
  - Lasagna (Ground Beef, Ricotta, Mozzarella Cheese & Marinara Sauce)
  - Veggie (Broccoli, Roasted Peppers, Onions, Mushrooms & Mozzarella Cheese)
  - Buffalo Chicken (Chicken in Spicy Buffalo Sauce w/ Mozzarella Cheese)
  - Chicken, Bacon & Ranch (Breaded or Grilled w/ Bacon, Ranch Dressing & Mozzarella Cheese)
  - Margherita (Square or Round, Thin Crust, Garlic, Basil, Fresh Tomato & Fresh Mozzarella Cheese)
  - Chicken Parmigiana (Grilled or Breaded Chicken, Marinara Sauce & Mozzarella Cheese)
  - Meat Lovers (Pepperoni, Sausage, Ham, Meatballs & Mozzarella Cheese)
  - BBQ Chicken (Grilled Chicken in BBQ Sauce & Mozzarella Cheese)
  - Eggplant Parmigiana (Eggplant, Marinara Sauce, Ricotta & Mozzarella Cheese)
  - Rustica (Balsamic Optional) (Grilled Chicken, Roasted Peppers, Spinach & Fresh Mozzarella Cheese)
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Pictured (l-r) Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin, Assemblywoman Yvonne Lopez, Mayor Fred Henry and Congressman Frank Pallone. (Photo by Tom Burkard)



The South Amboy First Aid was ready to sign up volunteers at the Festival. (Photo by Tom Burkard)



Volunteers (l-r) Joan Gorczyca, Marge Gorczyca, and Judy Paczkowski, display beautiful tee shirts that they gave out at the Irish Festival. (Photo by Tom Burkard)



The train ride was very popular and gave a relaxing tour of the park. (Photo by Brian Stratton)



South Amboy BOE member Anthony Conrad braved the dunk tank! (Photo by Brian Stratton)



Huge crowds checkout the many vendors that were on hand at the festival. (Photo by Brian Stratton)



The man on stilts was a popular attraction. (Photo by Tom Burkard)



The bounce house was very popular. (Photo by Brian Stratton)



Face painting was a hit! (Photo by Brian Stratton)



Commander Bob "Zak" Sekerak (l) visits with NJ Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin. (Photo by Tom Burkard)



**Photos By Tom Burkard**



The auto racing track brought lots of fun for many youngsters and adults.



Sayreville Democratic Party Chairman Tom Pollando (c) is pictured with incumbent Council President Kevin Dalina (l) and Councilman Damon Enriquez (r) at the big event which was held at Kennedy Park.



The Sayreville Historical Society had all types of great artifacts to show.



Sayreville student Rishi Shah won \$50 from the Sayreville Human Relations Commission in an essay contest, "What Does This Sign Mean To You?" Pictured (l-r) Commissioner Bonnie Comsted, Chairperson Mindy Schipman, and Rishi Shah.



The Sayreville Auxiliary Police did a fine job during Centennial Day on Oct. 2nd, and pictured near the command center are (l-r) Auxiliary Chief Chris Bardsley, Auxiliary Lieutenant John Faura, and Auxiliary Deputy Chief Kelan Magee.



Sayreville Republican Party Chairwoman Donna Roberts (r) and Borough Council candidates Christian Onuoha (l), and Eunice Dwumfour (c) were on hand for the big event.



Kids with parents wait their turn for one of the rides.



Sayreville Historical Society President Art Rittenhouse shows a very rare train bell, which was used in the Sayre & Fisher Brickyard many, many years ago.



Pictured (l-r) at the Sayreville Centennial Celebration: Sayreville Historical Society President Art Rittenhouse, Assemblywoman Yvonne Lopez, Historical Society Vice-President Frank Terzino, NJ Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin, and County Commissioner Shanti Marra. (Photo courtesy of Art Rittenhouse)

## The Smoke Column

By Ex-Chief Richard Kosmoski, MS

If I mentioned the name, "The Morro Castle" most people would start to think of a medieval castle somewhere in the mountains of Europe. One of the worst maritime fires along the New Jersey coast occurred on September 7, 1934. Though there are some people still alive who witnessed this tragic event, most people have never heard of it. The luxury cruise liner S.S. Morro Castle, only 4 years old at the time of the disaster, was en route from Havana, Cuba to New York City. The ship was built at the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company located in Virginia where many U.S. Navy warships were built. The ship was under contract from the U.S. Government to deliver mail and other cargo to Havana. To make this cost effective, the ship's Art Deco profile attracted passengers from all walks of life and took them on a luxurious cruise to Havana where they were able to enjoy the nightlife and the beautiful beaches. The original construction cost was \$5 million, and the ship was named after the fortress and lighthouse in the Havana harbor. During the early hours of September 7, 1934, fire erupted on board the ship in the First-Class Writing Room. Now this is where the story gets strange as fire was also reported in another area of the ship. Suspicious, arson, or accidental? As members of the crew attempted to fight the fire, two young girls wanted the crew members to sound the fire alarm but the girls were told to be quiet lest they awake the other passengers. The majority of crew and officers were unhappy with their jobs and the pay they were receiving. Many were paid less than those working in the Civilian Conservation Corps at the time earning less than \$30 a month. Being that unhappy on the ship would you really think a disgruntled crew member or officer would help the trapped passengers or would they think more about saving their own hide? Another suspicious event occurred when the

ship's Captain Robert Willmont was found dead in his stateroom only hours before the fire erupted. At the time of the fire, the ship was located off the New Jersey coast just north of the Delaware Bay. The acting Captain had ordered the ship to continue sailing north up the coastline and heading into winds up to 30 mph which only intensified the raging inferno. The incompetence of the crew and officers played a significant role in the deaths of so many passengers. Abandon ship drills and safety instructions were continually ignored. No one on a cruise ship ever wants to hear over the loudspeaker system the warning, "Fire, Fire, Fire, Abandon Ship." But on this tragic morning that is exactly what the sleeping passengers heard. The ship had more than enough lifeboats for the passengers but only 6 of the twelve lifeboats were lowered into the water. Some boats were not filled to capacity while others had the crew and officers jumping into the lifeboats before the ship's passengers. People not only died from the intense fire and smoke but also from falling into the water from the height of the deck, from being crushed by the ship's propellers, or by drowning in the high seas and bad weather. The ship proceeded up along the New Jersey coastline coming to rest in the oceanfront of Asbury Park Convention Hall. What would you do if faced with a similar situation? In the fire service, we call that situational awareness. Form a mental picture of your surroundings. Physically walk the emergency exit route from your stateroom to your designated lifeboat. Better to know where to go in an emergency than to "guess" when the emergency occurs and you are under stress. The actual cause of the sinking of the S.S. Morro Castle has never been determined nor has the origin of the fires. It was also a fact that there were some shady characters among the crew and officers and there was no investigation into the cause of death of the captain.

## ANNUAL ELECTION DAY FISH DINNER

The Camp Dill Foundation and the Old Timers of Troop 91 will be having their annual Election Day Fish Dinner on November 2, 2021 in the parking lot of the First Presbyterian Church of South Amboy. Due to COVID, this event will be a totally "drive-by" take-out only dinner. The time of the event will be 5:00PM to 7:00PM and the cost is \$15.00 per dinner.

All tickets must be purchased in advance. For ticket information, call 732-899-6074 or e-mail djsibol@aol.com. Ticket mail orders with payment can be sent to Dan Sibol, 90 Meridian Drive, Brick, NJ 08724.

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### Who is it?



Can you identify these two performers? She once defied gravity and he was one of only sixteen people to win an Emmy, Grammy, Oscar and Tony awards. Send your answers to satimes@aol.com by November 13th. (Photo by Brian Stratton)

### Who is it?

By Brian and Phyllis Stratton

Last month's mystery people were Pat Benatar and her husband Niel Giraldo, who have played together since their first album. The following answered correctly: Nick Vasilakis, Sandor, Jacquelyn Oshman, Carl Nemeth, Steven Laskiewicz, Eleanore Westerholm, Marie English and Ed English, Craig Yetsko, Karen Kieselowsky, Pete McIntyre.



Pat Benatar and Niel Giraldo



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**The Vintage Car Contest**  
By Brian and Phyllis Stratton



Can you identify this car? It is one of few if not the only car whose model name ended with an x! Looking for make and model. Send your answers to satimes@aol.com by November 13th.

Last month's vintage car was an MG (Morris Garage) 1980 MGB Limited Edition model. The Limited Edition was built in 1979 and 1980 and was available in black exterior with either a tan or black interior. 1980 also marked the end of MG in the US. If anyone is interested in one of these I have one buried in my garage.. A real barn find!!

MG: Michael and Irene Kilcomons, John Gelsinon, Vincent Farina, Don Brown, JoAnn & John French, Mark Moniello, Steven Laskiewicz, Laurie & Gary Loftus, Eleanore Westerholm, Marie English and Ed English, T.J. Albanese, Dane Colburn, Pete McIntyre.

Some Incorrect answers: 1967 Mercedes 560 SL. MG Spider, Alfa Romeo Spider.

The following correctly identified the

**September Vintage Car**



MG (Morris Garage) 1980 MGB Limited Edition model

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# 100 YEARS OF HONORING OUR WARTIME HEROES

Written by Rich Kosmoski - US Navy Vietnam Veteran

Many of us have made the trip down Interstate 95 to the Capitol of our country, Washington, D.C. We have taken this trip to visit and learn about our country's various memorials located in the Washington, D.C. area. One of the most frequently visited iconic memorials is The Tomb of The Unknown Soldier. On March 4, 1921, his last day in office, President Woodrow Wilson signed into law a congressional resolution authorizing the "bringing to the United States of the body of an unknown American" who served in Europe during World War I "for the burial of the remains with appropriate ceremonies.

The tomb is a neoclassical, white marble sarcophagus that is situated atop a hill overlooking Washington, D.C. Since 1921, it has served as a final resting place for one of America's unidentified World War I service members. Unknown remains were interred in crypts alongside the Tomb again in 1958 and 1984. Throughout the ages, one of the consequences of warfare has been large numbers of unidentified dead. Sometimes unidentified remains resulted from poor record keeping, the damages that weapons of war inflicted on bodies, or the haste required to bury the dead and mark gravesites. During World War I, U.S. service members received aluminum identification discs, the precursors to "dog tags," to aid the process of identifying remains. The War Department created a new unit, the Graves Registration Service, to oversee burials. During and after World War I, Americans debated whether bodies should be repatriated since there were over 100,000 casualties from the war buried in European cemeteries. The American policy gave options to families of the war dead. If requested by the next of kin, the remains of service members who died in Europe would be transported to anywhere in the United States at no cost to the family. Or families could choose to bury their dead at permanent U.S. military cemeteries to be established in Europe. In December 1920, legislation was proposed that provided for the internment of one unknown American soldier at a special tomb to be built in Arlington National Cemetery. The purpose of the legislation was, "to bring home the body of an unknown American warrior who in himself represents no section, creed, or race in the late war and who typifies, moreover, the soul of America and the supreme sacrifice of her heroic dead." In October 1921, four bodies of unidentified U.S. military personnel were exhumed from different American military cemeteries in France. On October 23, 1921, the four caskets arrived at the city hall of Chalons-sur-Marne. Early on the morning of October 24, 1921, Major Robert Harbold rearranged the caskets so that each rested on a shipping case other than the one in which it had arrived. He then asked Sgt. Edward Younger to select the Unknown Soldier by placing a spray of white roses on one of the caskets. The Unknown then journeyed by caisson and rail to Le Havre, France and was loaded on board the USS Olympia which transported the Unknown to the Washington Navy Yard arriving on November 9, 1921. The Unknown then laid in state in the U.S. capitol Rotunda for a public viewing in which 90,000 visitors paid their respects.

On November 11, 1921, the Unknown was placed on a horse-drawn caisson and carried in a procession through Washington, D.C. and on to its final resting place at Arlington National Cemetery. President Warren G. Harding officiated at the ceremony where he placed a Medal of Honor on the casket. The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier was originally a simple marble slab. The Tomb sarcophagus is decorated with three wreaths on each side panel. On the front side there are three figures which represent Peace, Victory, and Valor. The backside of the Tomb has inscribed, "Here rests in honored glory an American soldier known but to God."

Following World War II, many Americans supported the idea of interring

an unknown soldier from that war. But before that could be accomplished, the Korean War broke out and the idea came to a stop. In 1956, President Eisenhower approved the selection and internment of Unknowns from both WWII and Korea. This presented a problem as World War II was conducted on four continents. Then Unknown needed to represent all unidentified American dead, not just those from one theater of the war. The Army exhumed 13 bodies from military cemeteries in North Africa and Europe. As they were lined up, Major General placed a red and white wreath on one casket. This selected UNKNOWN was taken aboard the USS Blandy for its journey to the United States. The Pacific Theater of Operations selected five Unknowns from the Manila American Cemetery and the Punchbowl in Hawaii. At the same time, four Unknowns from the Korean War were exhumed from the National Cemetery of the Pacific. All these Unknowns were taken to Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii where on May 15, 1958, Army Master Sergeant Ned Lyle selected the Korean Unknown. On the following day, Air Force Colonel Glenn Eagleston selected the World War II Trans-Pacific Unknown. Both these caskets were flown to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. After arriving in Cuba, the three caskets were loaded aboard the USS Boston then sailed to the coast of Virginia where the USS Boston and the USS Blandy met up with the USS Canberra. On May 26, 1958, all three caskets of the Unknowns were placed on deck of the USS Canberra, with the Korean Unknown in between the two World War II Unknowns. Navy Hospital Corpsman 1st Class William Charette, a Medal of Honor recipient of the Korean War, selected the World War II Unknown. The caskets of the selected two Unknowns were transported to Washington, D.C. while aboard the USS Bland and the other World War II Unknown received a solemn burial at sea. On May 30th, 1958, both the World War II and the Korean War Unknowns were interred in crypts to the west of the World War I Unknown.

Even before the Vietnam War ended, Arlington National Cemetery began preparing to add a third crypt that would include a Vietnam War Unknown. This posed a problem as advances in forensics would mean that all remains from the Vietnam War could be Marine Corps Sergeant Major Jay Kellogg, Jr., a Medal of Honor recipient, designated the remains as the Vietnam War Unknown. The Unknown remains were transported to Travis Air Force Base in California aboard the USS Brewton, where it was loaded on a C-141B Starlifter and flown to Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland. On Memorial Day, May 28, 1984, the Unknown was interred at the Tomb in a ceremony presided over



by President Ronald Reagan. The Unknown would remain in the Tomb for 14 years. The Department of Defense and civilian agencies worked together to identify the remains from the Vietnam War. As they reviewed all the evidence brought

forward, it suggested that the remains in the Tomb were those of Air Force 1st Lieutenant Michael Joseph Blassie who had been shot down and killed in 1972. The family requested that his remains be exhumed from the Unknown's crypt and be interred at the Jefferson Barracks national cemetery in St. Louis, Missouri. The crypt designated for a Vietnam War Unknown remains empty. At a ceremony on September 17, 1999, National POW/MIA Recognition day, the crypt was rededicated to honor ALL missing U.S. service members from the Vietnam War be they POW's or KIA's.

The Tomb of the Unknown is guarded 24/7, 365 days a year regardless of climate conditions by the 3rd U.S. Infantry Regiment, known as the "Old Guard." This ceremonial unit started guarding the Tomb on April 6, 1948, and has done so continuously every minute since then.

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# LETTERS

**Brian and Tom,**

Another great publication! I enjoy every copy, which brings back many memories of my days in South Amboy and at St. Mary's. I remember the fire that caused such havoc on every student's life. I remember watching it near the church and wondering what would come in our next years of high school. We may have cheered to have a day off, but at that age, it didn't sink in until later, what a tragedy that was happening before our eyes. It was the first and last time I ever went to summer school to take a Chemistry lab at Sayreville HS.

As far as the car contest I believe it is a 1977 MGB. They were not quite the same as the older MG's or Austin Healey or Triumphs, but they were "cute" even though they had catalytic converter overheating issues. Still a fun under powered car.

I enjoyed the article about Jack McKeon and Tom Kelly. Being in the same class, and playing my high school years of baseball on the same team, he was a close friend. Jack was a true South Amboy and professional. I never met him until he came to Colorado, managing the Marlins, and I took my family to meet him - not to really see the game. We had tickets behind third base and I went to say hello to him, not knowing him, but was stopped by security. I yelled, "Mr. McKeon, I am from South Amboy." He waved and told security to bring me to the dugout. I told him I was a friend of Tom Burkard and we chatted for about 20 minutes about South Amboy and St. Mary's and of course Tom Burkard. I told him I was a friend of Goose Gossage and we shared some laughs and good baseball.

Thanks for the memories which I cherish each day.

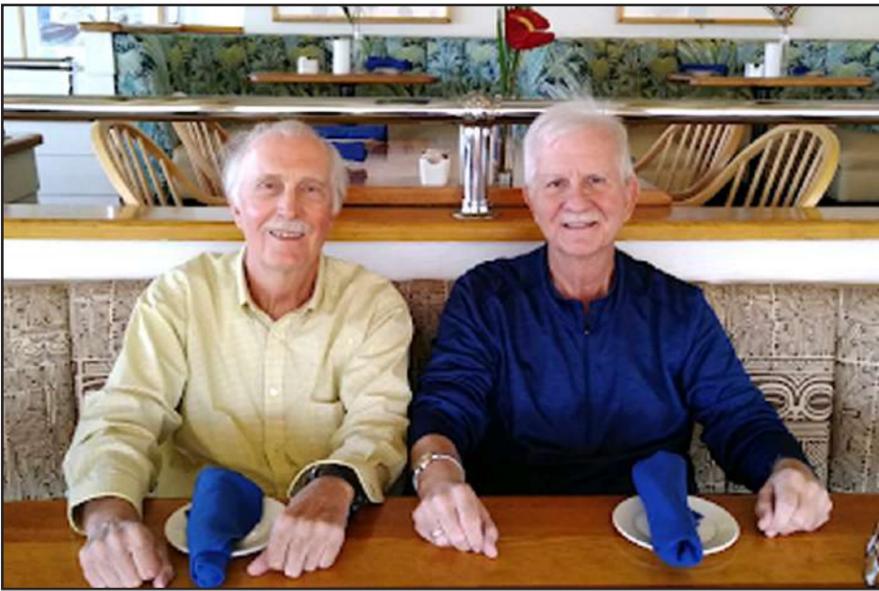
Happy Fall,

**Bill ( '68 St. Mary's Grad)**



Mark Ellvinger of South Amboy is pictured saying good-bye to his 1957 MGA after it was sold to a person in California. It was a sad farewell, after owning the beautiful red car for over 20 years. (Photo submitted)

## Reunited



Two St. Mary's HS Class of 1968 graduates got together for lunch in California, and reminisced about the good old days in South Amboy. Pictured (l-r) is Dr. Thomas "Tom" Wronski, and Joseph "Joe" Jaskowiak. Dr. Wronski was visiting California, and looked up Jaskowiak, who he hadn't seen in over 30 years. Both men also attended Sacred Heart Grammar School for 8 years as youngsters. Dr. Wronski retired from teaching at the University of Florida after many years. Joe is semi-retired, but still active as a part-time Instructor of English As A Second Language. (Photo/info submitted)

The Middlesex College Dental Hygiene program collected hundreds of toothbrushes, toothpaste and other supplies for Afghan refugees who are living at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst. The donations were dropped off to the Amnesty International Club at North Hunterdon High School, which will transport them to the base where over 9,000 Afghan refugees are housed and in need of supplies. From left, Michelle Roman, chair of the Dental Hygiene Department; Lisa Wise, senior lab coordinator; and Rose Morales, department coordinator. (Photo/Info Submitted)



## 50th Reunion



St. Mary's High School Class of 1970 celebrated their COVID-delayed 50th class reunion on Saturday, Oct. 16th at the Cranbury Inn, Cranbury, N.J. Fifty members of the class attended from all over the country, including Washington State, Utah, Arizona, Alabama, Florida to name a few. Everyone enjoyed themselves and hated to see the night end. (Photo/info submitted)

## WWW.?

By Tom Burkard



Does this building look familiar to you? It is located in either South Amboy or Sayreville. If you think you know the answer, e-mail it in to: satimes@aol.com y November 13th. Good luck! (Photo by Tom Burkard)

## WWW.? Winners September

WWW? Winners Sept.- Terry's Barber Shop - Chuck Pickard, Dennis Quinlan, Joan Gorczyca, Leon Credico, Mark Moniello, Betty Leveille, Mary Agnes Morris, Gary Feret, Pat & Bill Scully, Laurie & Gary Loftus, Lisa Grankowski, Barb Bockus, Lynn Loy, Eleanore Westerholm, Marie English and Ed English, Craig Yetsko, Dane Colburn.

\*Chuck Pickard was omitted as a winner for Aug., but correctly identified Terry's Garage.

Incorrect answers, More's Jewelers. Pronto Pizza.



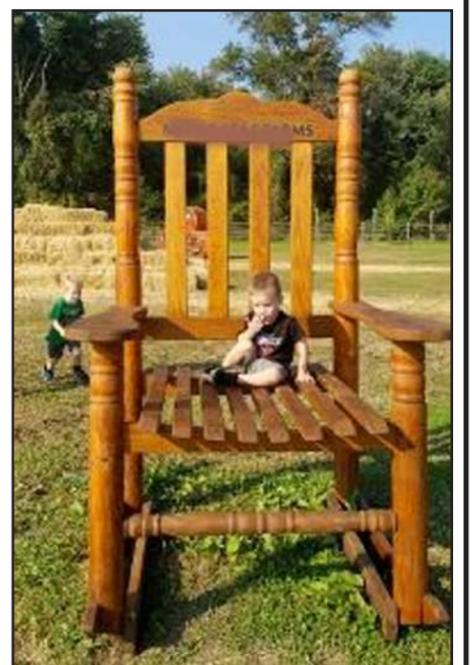
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## Where in NJ?

By Brian and Phyllis Stratton

The correct answer was the First Presbyterian Church of Woodbridge a.k.a. (the White Church).. The congregation was founded in 1675.and the property was added to the National Register of Historic Places on May 2, 2008. The oldest headstone in the cemetery dates from 1690.

The following were able to identify it: Evelyn York, Leon Credico, Chuck Pickard, Betty Leveille, Mary Agnes Morris, Nanci Deverin, Pat & Bill Scully, Dane Colburn, Steve Villig.



Do you know where this rocking chair is located? This time of year you can find pumpkins around it. Send your answer to satimes@aol.com by November 13th.

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## School Sports

By Tom Burkard - (As of Oct. 14th)

### Boys Soccer

**Sayreville (7-7)** Coach Nick Cifelli  
Team Leaders  
Goals-John Kovalchuk 9, Kevin Appau 9, Kofi Darbo 9; Assists-Kovalchuk 7 Victor Osei-Mensah 6, Darbo 5; Points-Kovalchuk 25, Darbo 23, Appau 19; Saves-Wade Guerra 57.  
**South Amboy (2-8-1)** Coach Tony Gonsalves  
Team Leaders  
Goals-Angel Barillas 7; Giovanni Pepe 2, Joel Diaz 1; Assists-Diaz 2; Points-Barillas

15, Pepe 5, Diaz 4; Saves-Anthony Vella 18.  
**Girls Soccer**  
**Sayreville (1-12-1)** Coach Jillian McGarry  
Team Leaders  
Goals-Adrianna Westcott 9, Jaylin Evans 3, Abigail Mayer 2; Assists-Julianna Daniels 1, Abena Frimpomaa 1, Abigail Mayer 1; Points-Westcott 20, Evans 9, Mayer 5. Saves-Zahra Benkhak 195.  
**South Amboy (0-9)**  
No current individual stats available.

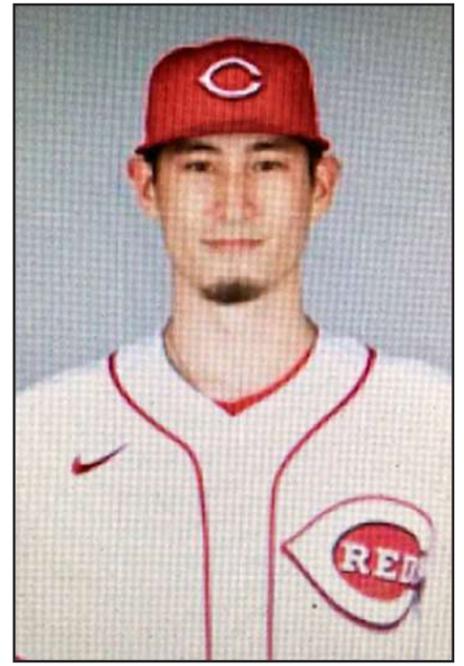
## Sayreville Football Report

**Game 3**  
The Sayreville Bombers football squad notched its first win of the season, smashing North Brunswick, 35-22. Zaimer Wright turned in a huge performance by breaking loose for 4 touchdowns, while rushing for 158 yards.  
**Game 4**  
The Bombers made it two in a row by topping Edison, 17-7. Ryan Bouchard scored a big touchdown on a fumble recovery, while Zaimer Wright rushed for 132 total yards, and had a TD. Santana Fonseca booted a 30-yard field goal. The defense was led by Denzel Osaie, who registered 9 tackles.  
**Game 5**  
Three Sayreville players, Jeriel Severino, Travis Gaston, and Zaimer Wright rushed for touchdowns, and quarterback Michael Colonnello fired a 75-yard scoring strike to Tim Mayer, as our locals pounded Piscataway,

34-6. Ace placekicker Santana Fonseca booted 2 field goals, 1 a 31-yarder, and was 2-for-2 in extra point kicks. Caidan Holmes racked up 9 tackles for the defense. The talented Sayreville squad has now won 3 in a row, and stands (3-2) for the season.  
**Game 6**  
The red-hot Sayreville Bombers slammed South Brunswick, 29-16, for their fourth consecutive victory, as sophomore standout Zaimer Wright broke loose for all 4 touchdowns including runs of 77, 13, 2, and 1 yard, plus a 2-point conversion, while rushing for 270 yards on 33 carries! In 6 games, Wright has rolled up 937 yards rushing! Offensive lineman Claude Blagoege contributed a 2-point conversion for Coach Chris Beagan's club. It was a huge win for Sayreville on "Senior Night," the last regular season game at home for the year.



Sayreville's Brian Bielak (l) pitcher for the Houston Astros Major League Baseball Club, is pictured with his proud father, Brian Bielak following the Astros pennant-clinching game at Houston's Minute Maid Park. Congratulations and best of luck in the future to Brandon, who is the pride of the Borough of Sayreville. (Photo courtesy of Brian Bielak)



Riley O'Brien made his Major League Baseball pitching debut with the Cincinnati Reds recently. Riley is the grandson of South Amboy native, and legendary baseball and basketball star, the great John O'Brien. (Photo submitted)

## Big League Baseball Watch

Riley O'Brien, grandson of South Amboy legend John O'Brien, made his Major League Baseball (MLB) pitching debut for the Cincinnati Reds against the Chicago White Sox, as 40 family and friends attended the game to support him. Unfortunately, Chicago brought their heavy lumber, and blasted 2 home runs in 1.1 innings off O'Brien, and went on to rip the Reds, 7-1, as Riley suffered the defeat. Despite the setback, he managed 2 strikeouts while issuing 3 bases on balls.

Prior to being recalled by Cincinnati, he spent the entire season at the Louisville Triple-A affiliate, where he pitched in 23 games, was (7-7) with a 4.55 ERA...  
Brandon Bielak (Sayreville) has seen plenty of action this season with the 1st place Houston Astros. He has pitched in 28 games (mostly in relief), worked 50 innings, struck out 46, and has a (3-4) record, with one save, while posting an ERA of 4.50.



## Andrews Inducted Into Hall Of Fame

By Tom Burkard

Former Sayreville HS field hockey great, Lanie Andrews was honored at the Class of 2020 Division III Athletic Hall of Fame Induction ceremony on Oct. 11, 2021. The event was supposed to have taken place last year, but because of COVID pandemic, was postponed until this year.  
Lanie graduated from Sayreville War Memorial HS in 2010, and went on to an outstanding field hockey career at FDU-Florham where she played and excelled on varsity from 2010-2013. She holds the FDU-Florham single game records for points with 9, and goals with 4. In addition, she ranks with the greats at the school, and is #5 with 45 points in a season. Her career totals are right up there too. She is 4th with 34 goals, 4th with 88 points, and 5th with 20 assists.

During her phenomenal career she has garnered an unbelievable amount of honors and awards, too many to list here. Just to name a few: She was named to the MAC 3 times; In 2012, was 2nd Team All-Region selected by the NFHCA; In 2013, the team played in the NFHCA All-Star Game; Lanie served as President of Student-Athlete Advisory Committee in 2013-14.  
Lanie Andrews has continued on her successful road in life. She is currently a math teacher and Head Coach of the varsity field hockey team at Manalapan H.S.  
Congratulations Lanie on your Hall of Fame induction, and also on your most outstanding career! Best wishes for continued success in the future!

## Champions



On 9/19/21 the Sayreville Baseball Club (SBC) Riverdogs 9U team won the Leather & Lumber Slugfest Championship. They went 3-0, scoring 26 runs & only allowing 6 runs on the day! Congratulations! (Photo/info submitted)

## Westcott, Evans Lead Bombers To First Win

Adrianna Westcott poured in 2 goals, and was assisted both times by Jaylin Evans, to lead the Sayreville Bombers girls soccer squad to their first victory of the season after an (0-12-1) start. Congrats Bombers, and keep on winning!

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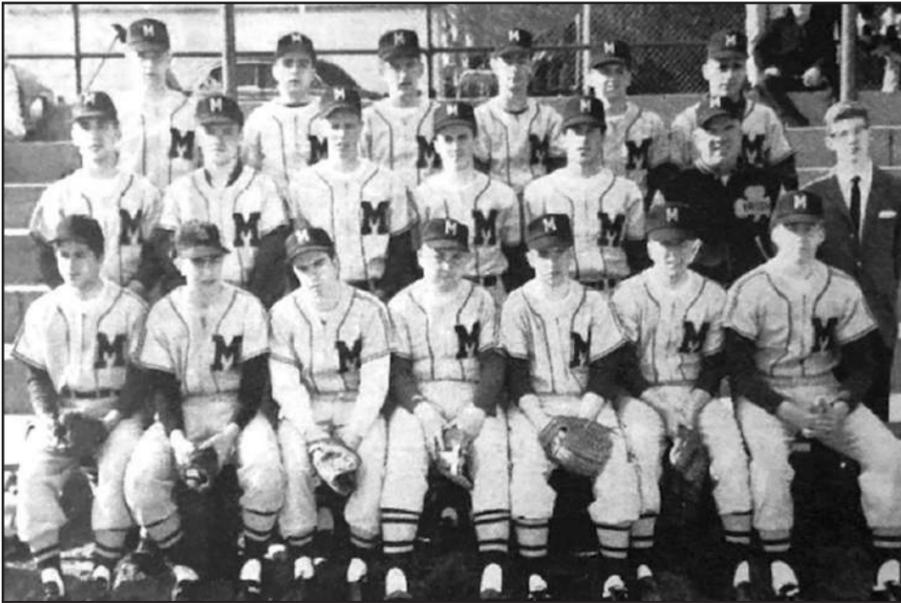
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## The Local Sports Memory Machine

By Tom Burkard

### From The Sports Archives



1962-Coach Bill "Smokey" Ryan's talented St. Mary's Eagles baseball team is pictured the year before they captured the state title. Top row (l-r) Tom Fitzmorris, Joe Jankowski, Joe Sulkowski, Bill Tibbitt, Al Ust, Art O'Donnell Jr. Center row (l-r) Bill Subjack, Ray Riddell, Jack Kreiger, George Stramback, Lou Nanna, Coach Ryan, Bob Windrem, mgr. Bottom row (l-r) Frank Ruzsala, Tom Vona, Ray Creed, Dave "Dee" Kelly, George Keenan, Ray Selover, Joe Pohl.

At the time of this photo, the Eagles were sporting a perfect (11-0) record and were invited to play in the Greater Newark Tournament (GNT), which was the top-rated tournament in the state. The Saints lost a heartbreaker to Trenton Catholic in the Parochial state championship game.

### Glory Days In Local Sports

1964-Sayreville's football team downed Madison Twp., 13-7. Ron Kearns fumble recovery set up a 1-yard TD plunge by John McCarthy, while John Karlowitz scored on a 2-yard TD over center. Stanley Miara kicked the extra point for Coach Homer Dill's Bombers...1973-Sayreville blasted Matawan, 14-2 in baseball. Bill D'Amico was the winning pitcher, while Steve Makwinski drilled a single and double to drive in 3 runs, and John Andl orbited a 2-run homer...

1985-Hoffman nipped JFK, 5-4 in baseball, behind winning pitcher Dave Gumprecht's 2-hitter. Roger Kuhn had a

perfect 3-for-3 game, and a sac fly by Steve Chrzaszcz won it in the 5th inning...1998-St. Mary's boys soccer team beat East Brunswick Tech, 3-1 as Miro Gietka, Chris LaScala and Matt Wnek scored a goal apiece. LaScala also had an assist...2006-South Amboy girls soccer squad nipped Mother Seton, 3-2. Casey Jukus hammered in 2 goals, and Courtney Bouchard scored 1 for the Lady Guvs...2009-Cardinal McCarrick boys soccer club downed East Brunswick, 2-0, as Jeremy Cruz blasted in both goals. Emmanuel "Junior" Costa and Shawn Park each had an assist for the Eagles.

### Name The Players Contest

The winning entry was submitted by Darryl Spiecker, who correctly identified 23 members of the 1969 South Amboy Sabres Pop Warner football team, and the following players/and uniform numbers: 26 - George Bongorino 28 - Frank Richiusa 24 -Ron Stillwagon 4 -Darryl Spiecker 10 - Ron Masarik 46 - Dan Lewis 11 - Craig Johnson 7 - John Miller 2 -Paul Richiusa 58 -Keith Sherry 9-Ray Scupp 25 -Barry Marcinczyk 38 - Curt Jankowski



19 - Frank Cheeseman 61 - Guy Peters 17 - John Hayden 49 - Ricky Scarfi 5 - Richie Miller - 26 - Mike Dejoy 1 - Paul Pazolla 22 - Bobby Morgan 16 - Jim Attardi 35 - John Sherry. Congratulations Darryl on your winning entry!

### Fall Fun at Dowdell

Drop into the Dowdell Library for some special programs this fall! Celebrate Picture Book Month and enter the drawing for a chance to win a signed Dan Gutman bookmark accompanied by one of his books! Earn one entry to win every time you check out a book. Play a round of Picture Book Character BINGO and read any five books starring classic picture book characters. When you win, bring in your bingo board and pick a prize! Celebrate Children's book week from November 8-13 and stop in from 3:30-5 pm and decorate your very own bookmark.

Join Ms. Maryanne for storytimes on Monday mornings at 10:30 am on November 8 and November 29 for stories, songs, crafts, and activities. Parents, meet other moms and dads! Salute a local veteran as we celebrate Veterans Day! A special program highlighting Veterans will be held on Monday, November 15 at 6:30 pm. Feel free to bring in a photo of a Veteran and share their story during this program. Are you between the ages of 12 and 18? Would you like to help shape how the Library serves you? If so, consider joining the Dowdell Teen Advisory Board or TAB. The board will meet on the third Friday of each month from 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm. Teens will have the opportunity to influence material purchases, create programming and earn volunteer hours. Applications can be found online or can be picked up at the Library.

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Invest more time into yourself! The Dowdell Library offers free virtual classes through the Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital. For the class schedule, please visit Dowdell.org and pre-register for the interested classes. For more information or to pre-register, please email kathleen.johnson@rwjbh.org. The Library's expanded Fall Hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 10 am - 8 pm, Wednesday & Friday 10 am - 5 pm, and Saturday 12-4 pm. Comments, queries, compliments? Please visit www.dowdell.org, or contact the Library at 732-721-6060 or comments@dowdell.org. The library is located off John O'Leary Blvd, adjacent to South Amboy Middle High School.



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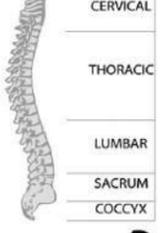
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Your middle layer should be a synthetic turtleneck and wool swather. Sweat pants or Lycra tights worn over thermals will help keep your legs warm. If precipitation is evident, your outer jacket should be waterproof, wind-resistant, yet breathable. Or for a short workout in dry weather, just an ordinary windbreaker would be suitable.

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**Champions**



The Vintage Bombers hold up 5 fingers to honor their teammate Tim Reardon who passed away on June 5th. Tim Wore the Number 5. They dedicated the season to his memory. Bottom Row L-R Bob Hutcheons, Tim Rousseau, Jeff Pasewark, Ed Rappleyea, Darren (Zippy) Curran, Joe Geletei, Bill D'Amico. Top Row L-R Robert Clancy, Eric Veit, Steve Samra, Pat Douglas (manager), Steve Mahn, Nick Martini, Dave Haltli, Chuck Prusakowski, Frank Bracht, Frank O'Leary. Missing is Keith Conlon, Gary Aich and Coach Ed Last. (Photo/info/ courtesy of Pat Douglas)

**Vintage Bombers Win**

By Pat Douglas

The Vintage Bombers Men's Senior Softball Team won the Middlesex County "Over 50" Senior League Championship by defeating Alex Brown in the finals at Phillips Park in Old Bridge. The Bombers won the opening game 22-17 and followed that up with a 9-8 win to seal the deal. Winning pitchers were Steve Mahn in game one and Ed (Rapp) Rappleyea in game 2. Game 2 was a seesaw battle but the Bombers rose to the occasion and shut down their opponent

in the final inning to win it all!!

To get to the championship game they had to beat Preferred Freezer in the semi finals the week before in 3 games, 10-6, (7-4 Loss) and 19-14.

It was a season played under a dark cloud after the death of their teammate, friend and founding member Tim Reardon. They dedicated the entire season to his legacy. They won it for Timmy. Great job gentlemen! Timmy is smiling down on all of you.

**Flashback: 1998**

St. Mary's won its first football game since 1932, blasting St. Peter's, 21-6. Rick Starega broke loose for 2 TD runs of 28 and 30 yards, and Troy Mellios ran for a 3-yard touchdown. Anthony Pennello fired an extra point pass to Edwin Perez, and Paul Matousek kicked an extra point for the Eagles.

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**30-Year Times**  
By Al Gomolka Jr.  
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There are times, then there's "The Times" In South Amboy, and Sayreville we are blessed With the "Good News" by Burkard's best More than a newspaper, readers find Memories and history are enshrined 30-year anniversary, do you believe? What else may Tom have up his sleeve? For the people he loves and dedicates A job well done, let's celebrate!

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**Congratulations Tom!**  
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# The SA Times Front Page News In October Issues Through The Years

5 Years Ago-2016  
(25th Anniversary Issue)

Beloved South Amboy Firefighter Gerald "Bear" Celecki was honored posthumously by the National Fallen Firefighters... Sayreville resident John Garbowski received 5 long overdue World War II medals from Representative Frank Pallone... Longtime South Amboy City employees, Patricia "Patty" Spangenberg, and Antoinette "Toni" Manion retired after many years of loyal service... The South Amboy varsity boys soccer team honored the memory of teammate Riley Rone by wearing shirts with his name imprinted on the sleeve... The SA Times Poet Laureate, Al Gomolka wrote a poem "My Pal's Dream" to celebrate the newspaper's 25th Anniversary...

10 Years Ago-2011  
(20th Anniversary Issue)

Gov. Chris Christie visited the Sayreville Senior Center auditorium for a town hall meeting. Following the meeting, he stopped for a hot dog and photo at Tommy Nagle's Hot Dog Stand... Sayreville native Father George Targonski was elevated to the office of pastor at St. Matthew The Apostle Parish in Edison... Michael Pascone was sworn in as a new Sayreville Police officer... Virginia Stillwagon, family and friends were on hand for the dedication of Russell Stillwagon Magnanimity Park at the corner of Pupek Rd. in South Amboy... The South Amboy Fire Dept. won the 2011 state championship, plus many other awards and trophies at the Annual Firefighters Convention in Wildwood.

15 Years Ago-2006  
(15th Anniversary Issue)

The Borough of Sayreville dedicated the new Ken Buchanan Riverfront Park. Buchanan served for 18 years on the Borough Council... Assemblyman John Wisniewski served as Grand Marshal at the huge Pulaski Day Parade in New York City.

20 Years Ago-2001  
(10th Anniversary Issue)

An Interfaith Memorial Service was held to honor those killed by terrorists at the World Trade Center, The Pentagon, and Pennsylvania... Tom Kelly a former Sayreville resident and St. Mary's HS graduate retired as manager of the Minnesota Twins Major League Baseball team after many years, and 2 World Series championships... James Reick stepped down as South Amboy's City Council President after 10 years at the post... SeaStreak USA received a permit from the DEP for the operation of a commuter fast ferry service to New York City from South Amboy.

25 Years Ago-1996  
(5th Anniversary Issue)

South Amboy Fire Official Ed Szatkowski received two prestigious awards for his "Outstanding service and dedication, and educating people in fire prevention..." N.J. Senator Bill Bradley made an appearance at the South Amboy Boat Club at a rally for Congressman Frank Pallone's re-election... The South Amboy community received an award for Shoregate Village, "The outstanding, new mixed-use community"...

The Carol Publishing Group of New York announced that they signed author Tom Burkard to an exclusive contract for his new book, "The Ultimate Mickey Mantle Trivia Book. Citadel Press, an affiliate of Carol Publishing, and the (2nd largest in publishing entertainment books in the U.S.), marketed the book... The South Amboy Board of Education appointed Joseph Donnelly to full-time Guidance Counselor in the Elementary School.

30 Years Ago-1991  
(Premier Issue, Vol.1, Issue 1)

National Fire Prevention Week in South Amboy was held, and an excellent photo of little Andrew Fedorka, a "future firefighter" as he was called in the caption, was a perfect photo by Ed Szatkowski for the front page of our very first edition... The Sayreville election was a real battle, and the Republicans were blamed for a PBA pact.

# 30th Anniversary Congratulations From Our Loyal Readers

\***Joe Jaskowiak**- "I just wanted to congratulate you on the 30th Anniversary of The South Amboy-Sayreville Times. That's an unbelievable accomplishment, especially when you consider how the newspaper business has changed so much over the years with the expansion of online news. It's not only a testimony to your tenacity and drive, but your paper has done a tremendous service to the local communities. People cannot get your special kind of local reporting anywhere else, when you compare it to the other larger established newspapers in your area."  
\***Bill Bulman**- "Well done, Tom. Thank you for breathing such life into The South Amboy-Sayreville Times. I love your research and your love of South Amboy, and of all the people and families. Continued success and good health."  
\***Bob Graber**- "You did it Tom!" Congrats on an excellent newspaper! Wow! 30 years!"  
\***Mel Meszaros**- "Semper Fidelis is a Marine thing, but also can be applied to The South Amboy-Sayreville Times, always faithful to its readers. Happy 30th!"  
\***Bunny Rogers Katz**- "Congratulations on your 30th Anniversary. Quite an amazing accomplishment!"  
\***Jim Riehl**- "Thank you Tom and Brian for all your hard work."  
\***Joan Ogorek**- "Everybody loves the paper."  
\***Alaina Dowd**- "Congrats on 30 years!"  
\***Maripat Lauritsen Zupko**- "Happy 30th

Anniversary! Thanks for keeping us all informed over the years."  
\***Elizabeth "Betty" Leveille**- "Congratulations Tom on 30 years of hard work and a great newspaper!"  
\***Jack Ust**- "Thanks Tom, look forward to reading The SA Times every month."  
\***Hal Dennen**- "Always a great read. Congrats Tom!"  
\***Gary Poland**- "Congrats on 30 years Tom."  
\***Sharon Kurtz**- "South Amboy life as we know it. Thanks Tom. Great hometown to grow up in."  
\***Connie Modzelewski**- "30 years, how wonderful Tom! Awesome news! Congrats!"  
\***Ruth Kuchinski**- "Congratulations Tom! You do such fantastic work. Stay well."  
\***Sandor Schneck**- "Awesome milestone! Great job! Congrats Tom!"  
\***Bruce Richmond**- "Great job, Tom!"  
\***Mary O'Leary**- "Thanks Tom. Looking forward to these editions."  
\***Dave Szatkowski**- "Thank you for everything you do. Much appreciated."  
\***Ray Andrejewski**- "Thank you for all you do."  
\***Charlotte Sadowski**- "Thank you for another issue. Fantastic job!"  
\***Ryan Novak**- "Glory Days is my favorite section. Amazing local newspaper!"  
\***Mary Casey-Griffin**- "Thanks Tom! You never disappoint!"  
\***Jamie Stratton**- "Thank you for all your hard work Tom!"

\***Barbara Egan**- "Congrats on 30 years! Thank you for a great paper."  
\***Barbara Russell**- "Thanks Tom. Wonderful edition."  
\***Louise Ellvinger**- "Always a great read."  
\***Carol Whitcomb Gecek**- "Still reading The SA Times down South. From South Carolina to South Amboy. Congrats on 30 years."  
\***Mary Beth Chodkiewicz**- "Thanks Tom for all your great articles!"  
\***Linda Switzer Zakrzewski**- "Congrats Tom, even though I'm in North Carolina, I don't miss a month of your newspaper thanks to the computer."  
\***Susan Coakley**- "Thanks Tom and Staff for a great paper."  
\***Mary A. Snover**- "Thanks Tom! Wow.. Unreal! I think you had just started publishing when I was the receptionist at St. Stan's Church Office. Congratulations on your hard work and success in providing us with a wonderful paper!"  
\***Cathy Keays**- "Thanks again, Tom. Appreciate all your hard work."  
\***Jennifer Pluskota-Schaaf**- "30 years, wow! Congrats Uncle T."  
\***Edna Mazur Pilch**- "Congratulations on 30 years! Please keep it going!!!"  
\***Daniel Cheeseman**- "Great story on the St. Mary's High School fire."  
*NOTE: There were over 175 congratulatory messages on my website, and the above were selected randomly. Thank you to everyone who sent an e-mail or congratulated us on this very special occasion!*

## THANK YOU FROM PUBLISHER TOM BURKARD

As The South Amboy-Sayreville Times celebrates its monumental 30th Anniversary with this issue, we would like to thank the following for all of their support in helping to make us South Amboy and Sayreville's #1 "Good News Newspaper."

A very special BIG THANK YOU goes out to my Associate Publisher/Photographer Brian Stratton, and his wife, Phyllis Stratton, who is our Layout Designer/Photographer. Brian and Phyllis are the very BEST in the newspaper business, and always a pleasure to work with, as we build the paper each and every month. I would also like to thank our very talented current staff including Poet Laureate Al Gomolka, who has been with us contributing great original poems, since the very beginning 30 years ago; Teo "Weebles" Weber our "Fishing Flashes" feature writer for about 30 years; Clem Skarzynski simply THE FINEST guitar man/feature music writer for 25 years; Steve Schmid our Weather and Transportation feature writer/advertising sales representative, and much more for 20 plus years; Dr. John Misiewicz great "The Spinal Column" monthly feature for over 20 years; Elaine Holton-Scott, our talented feature writer, with a photographic memory, has been with The SA Times for 16 years, and is also a published author of two outstanding books; Richard Kosmoski, former Sayreville Fire Chief, and also Past Commander of American Legion Lenape Post #211 of Sayreville, writes "The Smoke Column," which is popular with the many area firefighters and others. He also covers and photographs many local veteran events; John "Flip" Phillips draws from his great memories of growing up in South Amboy to bring interesting stories of sports long ago and much more about the City of South Amboy and beyond. Jamie Norek, is our newest staff member, who happens to be an excellent photographer. I am truly honored and thankful to have Jamie on board our winning team. To have a winning team and be a success, you have to have talented, hard-working and dedicated players, and I've been blessed to have this current lineup helping to turn out The SA Times for 360 consecutive months or 30 years as of this issue! Unbelievable, and again I can't thank you enough!

All of these talented and dedicated staff members have helped The South Amboy-Sayreville Times provide the absolute BEST in: - Current Local News & Events - Entertainment - Local Sports - Photographs - Music - Local School News- In-Depth Interviews - Nostalgia - and Much, Much More.

IN ADDITION I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE A MOMENT AND REMEMBER ALL THOSE WONDERFUL SA TIMES STAFF MEMBERS WHO ARE NO LONGER WITH US: JOE LOTKOWITZ, ANNA HARRIS-FRIBERG, BEVERLY KOVACS, THEY ALSO CONTRIBUTED WITH STORIES OR PHOTOS, TO THE AREA'S #1 GOOD NEWS NEWSPAPER, THAT REALLY BROUGHT HAPPINESS INTO THE LIVES OF THOSE IN NEED. MAY GOD BLESS THEM ALL, AND MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

A BIG THANK YOU GOES OUT TO ALL OF OUR LOYAL ADVERTISERS, PAST AND ESPECIALLY PRESENT, BECAUSE WITHOUT YOUR SUPPORT, OUR "GOOD NEWS NEWSPAPER" WOULD NOT BE PRODUCED EACH MONTH FOR EVERYONE'S READING PLEASURE AND ENJOYMENT. YOUR ADVERTISING HELPS TO KEEP THE PAPER ABSOLUTELY "PRICELESS," WITH NO CHARGE TO OUR LOYAL READERS. IT CERTAINLY IS A PLEASURE VISITING AND DOING BUSINESS WITH OUR ADVERTISERS EACH AND EVERY MONTH!

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Thank You to everyone who has contributed an article, story idea or photo through the years. We certainly appreciate it, and you are always welcome to call us or send in your ideas or photos for consideration.

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## Lopez Named Chair of Latino Voting and Elections Task Force

Assemblywoman Yvonne Lopez (D-Middlesex) has been selected by the National Hispanic Caucus of State Legislators (NHCSL) to serve as chair of the Latino Voting and Elections Task Force.

"It is an honor to be selected to serve as this task force's chair, and I am thrilled to take on this new role to help advocate on behalf of Hispanic communities throughout the United States," said Lopez. "Our work to ensure accessibility, transparency and fairness in our voting process and elections will benefit not only New Jersey's residents but all Americans."

Lopez, who previously served as vice-chair of the task force, has worked diligently to ensure that the U.S. Census works for all Americans by encouraging Hispanic participation and demanding fairness. She will now lead the task force's efforts to expand voting accessibility and resources across the country while taking on any attempts made to disenfranchise voters.

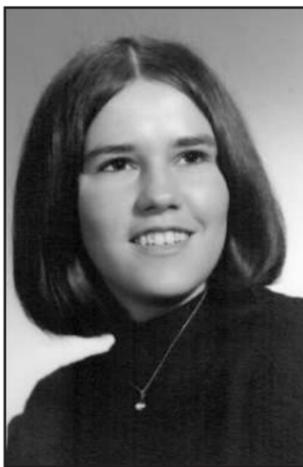
"In a healthy democracy, every vote matters," said Lopez. "Our goal is to ensure all voters are empowered and able to cast their vote and participate in the political process."

## Micheline Havlusch Madura

Micheline Havlusch Madura, 69, of Parlin passed away peacefully at her home with her family at her side on Saturday October 23, 2021. She was born in Perth Amboy to the late Walter and Margaret Dobrenic Havlusch. She graduated from Hoffman High School and attended Fairleigh Dickinson University. She started out at Madura Pharmacy where she met her husband John Madura. After school she worked in the banking industry for most of her working years. She enjoyed horseback riding, especially on her own horse Streamer, reading, gardening and cross-stitching. "Mike" as she was affectionately known was always ready to help anyone who needed it, you were lucky to have her as your friend.

She is predeceased by her brother Michael Havlusch. She is survived by her beloved husband of 46 years John; her brother Gregory Havlusch and three nephews, Gregory Havlusch, Jr., David Madura and Daniel Madura along with a godson, Peter Koopman. Her best friends were Kathy Smith, Shirley Kubinak and Jerry Carreira along with her furry pal Remington.

Funeral Services were under the direction of The Gundrum Service Home For Funerals.



- ### Obituaries
- Adamusik, Joseph D. "Butch," 85, of Parlin died on Oct. 4.
- Benintente, Todd, 58, of South Amboy died on Sept. 14.
- Berthelson, Carol "Buzzie," 66, of Laurence Harbor died on Oct. 1.
- Carroll, John, 67, formerly of Sayreville died on Oct. 12.
- Cavallaro, Santo "Sam" M., 73, formerly of Morgan died on Sept. 25.
- Corlett, Patricia A. 79, of South Amboy Oct. 2.
- Cosentino, Frances R., 87, of South Amboy died on Sept. 30.
- DeJohn, Susan, 70, of Sayreville died on Oct. 16.
- DiGuilio, Evangelina M., 95, of South Amboy died on Oct. 15.
- Dunham, Brennan, 45, of Sayreville died on Oct. 3.
- Dunwald, Ruth, 89, of Sayreville died on Sept. 26.
- English, Michael, 80, of South Amboy died on Oct. 1.
- Farparan, Rachel M., 47, of Sayreville died on Sept. 26.
- Grams, Stephen M., 79, of Sayreville died on Sept. 17.
- Guilfoyle, Judith A., 61, of Sayreville died on Oct. 14.
- Gulick, Grace, 91, formerly of Parlin died on Oct. 4.
- Hess, James W. Jr., 76, formerly of South Amboy died on Sept. 18.
- Hornecker, Laurie L., 64, of Sayreville died on Oct. 9.
- Idrees, Kelly, 61, of Sayreville died on Oct. 11.
- Jewels, Melissa, 33, formerly of Sayreville died on Oct. 10.
- Kilcomons, Anne M. Klimkiewicz, 86, of Sayreville died on Oct. 14.
- Kuziowski, Frank, 61, formerly of South Amboy died on Sept. 19.
- Madura, Micheline Havlusch, 69, of Parlin died on Oct. 23.
- Martin, Peter L., 80, of South Amboy died on Sept. 25.
- Mayernick, Helen, 80, of Sayreville died on Sept. 21.
- Milne, Elizabeth, 98, of Sayreville died on Oct. 18.
- Mix, Thomas W., 82, of Sayreville died on Oct. 6.
- Mosulak, Theodore, 53, of Sayreville died on Sept. 27.
- Murphy, John K. Jr., 56, of Morgan died on Oct. 11.
- Rappleyea, Kathleen J. Gregory, 91, of South Amboy died on Oct. 9.
- Redmond, Joseph L., 57, formerly of Madison Park died on Sept. 26.
- Reynolds, Louise M., 88, of Parlin died on Sept. 25.
- Santiago, Joel, 24, of Sayreville died on Sept. 29.
- Seamanik, Gail Deliman, 63, of South Amboy died on Sept. 12.
- Sorrentino, Marie T. Martin, 95, of South Amboy died on Oct. 19.
- Sutter, Marie, 79, of Sayreville died on Sept. 30.
- Tedesco, Janice, 83, of South Amboy died on Sept. 27.
- Telepan, George, 85, of Parlin died on Oct. 12.
- Tidwell, Elvera H. Christine, 61, formerly of South Amboy died on Sept. 13.
- Waskiewicz, Marie D., 93, of Parlin died on Oct. 13.
- Zaleski, Irene, 86, formerly of Parlin died on Oct. 10.

## Marie T. Martin Sorrentino

Marie T. Martin Sorrentino, 95, of South Amboy died on Tuesday October, 19 2021 at home. Born in South Amboy she lived there all her life. Before retiring she was employed as a Practical Nurse at Amboy Care Center. A graduate of St. Mary's High School, South Amboy she was a member of St. Mary's R.C. Church and the choir. An avid bowler, she was president of the Women's Bowling League and enjoyed puzzles, especially crosswords. A foster mother to 4 newborn babies, she always opened her heart to friends and neighbors in need.

Daughter of the late William and Julia Ferren Martin she is also predeceased by her

husband of 60 years Albert H. Sorrentino in 2007 and her daughter Elizabeth Ann Guarente in 2008. She is survived by her sons and daughters-in-law James W. Sorrentino and Susan Fowler of Manalapan and Albert Sorrentino and Ann of Monroe; her grandchildren Kimberly Ann and her husband Matt, Adam and Christopher; her son-in-law John E. Guarente; her step-granddaughter Elise Goss and her husband Adam and her great-grandchildren Robert John "RJ" and Dylan.

Funeral services were under the direction of The Gundrum Service "Home For Funerals" 237 Bordentown Avenue, South Amboy.

### To St. Jude

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored and glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world. Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude gave me hope. Say this prayer nine times a day for nine days. By the eighth day your prayer will be answered. Original sentence to end it: It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. Thank you, St. Jude C.P.

### ST. JUDE

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus have mercy on us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray us. Say this prayer nine times a day for nine days. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. Thank You St. Jude. -R.S., A.S., H.S., L.S...

### Prayer to St. Therese

St. Therese, the little Flower, please pick me a rose from the Heavenly Garden and send it to me with a message of love. Ask God to grant me the favor I thee implore and tell him I will love him each day more and more. -MS, SS, SP, NP

### A PRAYER FOR HEALING

Lord, you invited all who are burdened to come to You. Allow your healing hand to heal me. Touch my soul with Your compassion for others. Touch my heart with Your courage and infinite love for all. Touch my mind with Your wisdom, that my mouth may always proclaim Your praise. Teach me to reach out to You in my need. Help me to lead others to You by my example. Most loving heart of Jesus, bring me health in my body and spirit so that I may serve You with all my strength. Touch gently with this life that you have created. Amen -BS, PS, MM, ML, LF.

**In Memoriam**

Peter Martin, 80, of South Amboy died on Sept. 25. He was a firefighter with the Morgan Fire Co., and also Perth Amboy Lincoln Engine #1 Fire Dept. Peter was a Past Exalted Ruler with the Elks, and a 4th Degree member of Knights of Columbus #2061. Marie Sorrentino, 95, of South Amboy died on Oct. 19. She was a member of St. Mary's Church and Choir, and also Past-President of the Women's Bowling League. Marie always opened her heart to friends and neighbors in need.



The Miraculous Prayer  
Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked for many favors. This time I ask you this my special one (mention favor). Take it, Dear Jesus, and place it within your own broken heart, where your Father sees it. Then, in His merciful eyes, it will become your favor, not mine. Amen. (Say this prayer for 3 days, promise publication and your favor will be granted. Never known to fail. -R.S., A.S., H.S., L.S., L.P., E.P.

Novena Prayer to St. Anthony of Padua  
O Holy St. Anthony, gentlest of Saints, your love for God and charity for His creatures, made you worthy, when on earth, to possess miraculous powers. Miracles waited on your word, which you were ever ready to speak for those in trouble or anxiety. Encouraged by this thought, I import you to obtain for me (request). The answer to my prayer may require a miracle. Even so, you are the Saint of Miracles. O gentle and loving St. Anthony, whose heart was ever full of human sympathy, whisper my petition into the ears of Sweet Infant Jesus, who loved to be folded in your arms; and the gratitude of my heart will ever be yours. Amen. Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be. -M.S., S.S., N.P., S.S

**Frank H. Kuziemski**

Frank H. Kuziemski, 61, of Howell passed away on Sunday, September 19, 2021 at JFK University Medical Center, Edison. Frank was born in Perth Amboy and was raised in South Amboy. He had lived in Sayreville and then moved to Millstone Township for 16 years. In 2018, Frank moved to Howell. He was a Fleet Manager for Reinauer Transportation Companies, Staten Island for the past 32 years. Frank was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Council #426, South Amboy. He had a passion for basketball and was a former coach for the Millstone Township Warriors and was an Assistant Varsity Coach for St. John Vianney Boys Basketball team. Just recently, Frank was a coach for the Mid Monmouth League in Freehold Township as well as a Referee for basketball around the state. During his high school days, he was an outstanding athlete at Hoffman HS, excelling in basketball (A member of the elusive 1,000 points club), and baseball, where he stole many bases for the Governors with his lightning-like speed. He was a devoted husband for the past 39 years, a loving father, adored brother, and dear friend to many. Frank was predeceased by his parents, Edmund and Halina Kuziemski; and father-in-law, Joseph Szatkowski.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia; two sons, Kyle Kuziemski and his wife, Lindsay of Tecumseh, MI and Craig Kuziemski and his wife, Joycelyn of Asbury; a grandson, Kole Joseph Kuziemski; a granddaughter, who will be with us in December; grand dogs, Harper, Bodey, Moose, Max, and Maisel; two brothers, George Kuziemski and his wife, Wendy of South Amboy and Andrew Kuziemski of South Amboy; mother-in-law, Antoinette Szatkowski of Sayreville; brother-in-law, Tony Szatkowski and his partner, Caroline of Wall, and their children, Halley, Dean, and Chad; many nieces and nephews; dear friends; and best of friends, Ed and Catherine Stratton of Howell. For those who desire, memorial contributions may be made to South Amboy Youth Athletic Association, PO Box, 3065, South Amboy, NJ 08879. To leave condolence messages to the family, please visit [www.claytonfuneralhome.com](http://www.claytonfuneralhome.com)



**Patricia Susan Bongirnoo**

Patricia Susan Bongirnoo, 58, passed away on September 2, 2021 peacefully with her loving family by her side. Daughter of William and Marcella Jackson of Sayreville, she is survived by her husband Frank Bongiorno, her son Joseph Bongiorno and his wife Christine, her Daughter Gina Bongiorno and her partner Willy, and grandson Xander. Three sisters, Beverly, Marcia, and Regina, and numerous nieces and nephews and friends.

Patti worked for Middlesex County Sheriff's Department where she served proudly for 10 years. She studied and received her degree as a paraprofessional where she then began working with children with special needs and children with autism in the Sayreville School System. From there she and her family moved to Florida where she continued her special works at The Learning Center at The Els Center of Excellence, Jupiter, FL. The family would like to express a deep gratitude for the outpouring of love and support they have received..she will be missed by all who knew and loved her.



**In Memoriam**

**Joe Lotkowitz**  
First Anniversary In Heaven  
Nov. 6, 2020

**A great friend,  
always in our  
Hearts and minds.  
You are Truly missed,  
but never forgotten.  
Thank you for the  
great memories.  
God Bless Joe,**

**Tom, Brian and  
The SA Times Staff**



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