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South Amboy School Meal Distribution

By Steve Schmid

The school closings due to the health emergency has forced many changes. One is in South Amboy regarding distribution of food to families of students who normally receive food at school. School Superintendent Jorge Diaz said grab-and-go breakfast and lunch distribution is currently being held Monday through Friday at the board of education parking lot in front of the elementary school on John St. South Amboy police are watching over the distribution which is in two shifts. The first shift is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the second shift from 5 to 6 p.m. Participants drive their vehicle to the distribution area and lower their window and food service workers provide them with bagged meals. Walk-ups are accepted but are urged to practice social distancing. They are being told not to approach the meal tables. A separate table has been set up to grab-and-go after presenting identification.

COVID Drive-Thru In Edison

The site will be open to Middlesex County residents by appointment. Middlesex County officials, in partnership with the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, opened a drive-thru COVID-19 testing site on Wednesday, April 1 at New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission Kilmer Vehicle Inspection Center, 33 Kilmer Road, Edison. The site will be open 3 days a week, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, from 10 am to 2 pm. Those wishing to be tested will be required to make an appointment and meet a set of criteria. **CRITERIA FOR TESTING:** To receive testing, you must be a Middlesex County resident (valid driver's license or state issued identification is required), make an appointment online or via phone, as well as either have a valid doctor's prescription or be exhibiting symptoms which include: fever 100.4 degrees or higher (99.6 degrees for people 65 years and older); respiratory symptoms; and/or shortness of breath. Middlesex County residents that have symptoms and would like to be tested, should visit middlesexcountynj.gov/COVID19testing to register and receive a time to report to the testing site. Registrants must bring the completed registration form and a valid driver's license or state issued ID to the testing site. If the resident does not have access to the internet or having connectivity problems, they are instructed to call 732-745-3100 to make an appointment (from 10 am to 4 pm). Appointments will only be made the day prior to a testing day. If the person is not a Middlesex County resident, does not have a scheduled appointment, or does not have symptoms, they will not receive testing.

Primary Election Date Changed

Gov. Phil Murphy has announced that the New Jersey Primary Election date has been changed from Tuesday, June 2nd to Tuesday, July 7th.



The Sambucci Family (l-r) Francesca, Caleb, Eddie, Lourdes and Antonio. (Photo by Amy McLaughlin) See more photos on page 14.

Local Photographer Raises Funds For Needy

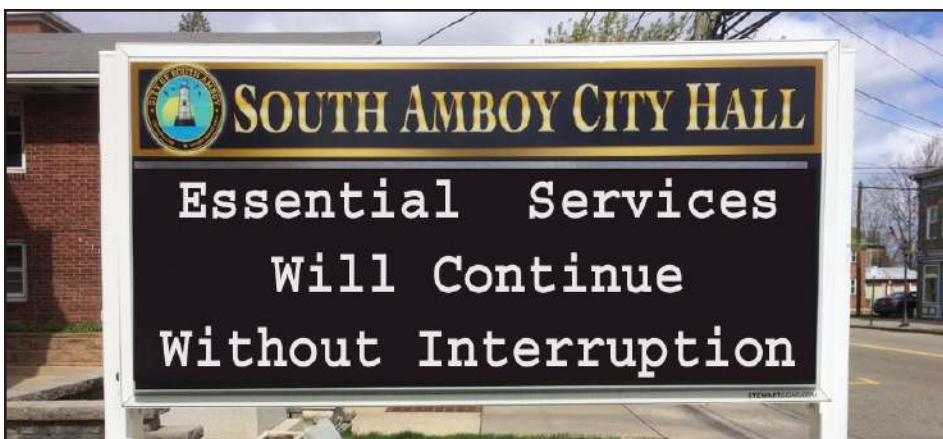
By Tom Burkard

South Amboy businesswoman Amy McLaughlin saw that there was a photographer in Massachusetts who started #thefrontstepsproject, and knew this was something that she wanted to do to fill her time, while her studio on North Broadway was closed. Amy said, "I wanted to do it for a local charity, and my husband Brian suggested The Friends of South Amboy. I started photographing families on their front porches on March 21, all while maintaining a social distance. Families would come to their porch, pose for a few photos, and donate any amount they were able to The Friends of South Amboy. On day one of posting the project on my facebook page, I was flooded with requests from not only South Amboy and Sayreville, but from Freehold, North Brunswick, Edison, Red Bank, South Plainfield, etc. I have tried to stay local in SA and Sayreville and to date (April 10) I have photographed 234 families mostly from South Amboy and Sayreville, with a few from Old

Bridge, Hazlet and Freehold, raising over \$10,000 for the Friends of South Amboy.

Amy said that she tries to concentrate on one area in South Amboy or Sayreville each time she goes out, and notifies families of a 1-2 hour window before she arrives for the photo shoot. "My teenage daughter, Alison, is my co-pilot and messages the next family that we are on our way- she writes their names and email addresses, all done through Facebook, and inputs the addresses into the navigation, so I know where to go next. Sometimes we can spend 3-4 hours a day in the car, and I try to work around her schoolwork so she can assist me," said McLaughlin.

"We have received such positive support and people were happy to have a reason to put make-up on, get their kids dressed, and most importantly, they are happy to smile and have something to look forward to, even if it is a 5-minute photoshoot on their front porch. I plan to keep this project going while my studio is closed," she stated.



Cities and towns all over the world are trying to cope with the Coronavirus Pandemic. The City of South Amboy's electronic sign alerts residents to the fact that Essential Services continue during the COVID-19 pandemic. (Photo by Tom Burkard)

Raise The Roof Fundraiser Rescheduled

Saint Mary Church has announced the Raise the Roof Fundraiser originally scheduled for May 12, has been postponed until Sunday October 11. Tickets for the dinner dance are \$125 each and the event will be held at the Grand Marquis on Route 9 South in Old Bridge. There will be a cocktail hour,

sit down dinner, and a live band for dinner and dancing. Monies raised will go to paying off the expenses associated with repairing the church roof. You can drop your check and information into the mail slot at the parish office door to complete your reservation.

Forgivable Loans Available

The Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP") authorizes up to \$349 billion in forgivable loans to small businesses to pay their employees during the COVID-19 crisis. All loan terms will be the same for everyone. The loan amounts will be forgiven as long as: The loan proceeds are used to cover payroll costs, and most mortgage interest, rent, and utility costs over the 8 week period after the loan is made; and employee and compensation levels are maintained.

The information you will need to provide your bank is on the application. The link to the application is: <https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/PPP--Fact-Sheet.pdf>

You must apply electronically via your banking institution's website. Deadline to apply is June 30, 2020.

Sayreville Continues Stay AT Home Campaign

By Steve Schmid

Sayreville Mayor Victoria Kilpatrick has helped local students launch a video explaining why students are continuing to stay home during the COVID-19 pandemic. Kilpatrick said the students came to her saying they wanted to pitch in to help people stay home, so they can get back to normal quicker. Kilpatrick said kids are being featured because sometimes we need to listen to our children. The #stayathomeforsayreville campaign has been running on social media and when the video launched it attracted 23,000 views in the first three days. The mayor said this has gone viral and a lot of views are coming from New York, California, and Connecticut. She added it's important that everyone understands how important it is to continue the stay at home campaign, and slow the spread. Kilpatrick has challenged Perth Amboy Wilda Diaz and East Brunswick Mayor Brad Cohen to join the campaign and they have both accepted.

SA Elementary MP3

Academic Achievement

FOURTH GRADE-HONOR ROLL WITH DISTINCTION: Mackenzie Conroy, Daria Dobrin, Daniel Puchalski.

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FIFTH GRADE-HONOR ROLL WITH DISTINCTION: Noah Cruz, Macy Daniell, Gwenth Friedman, Arnab Pillai, Katarina Roessle and Sebastian Roessle.

HONORROLL: Nicholas Carrozzo, Megan Chan, Nico Grasso, Madden Gulick, Isabel Gutierrez, Sophia Hernandez, Brian Ilewski, Makayla Koltunicki, Adrian Koubek, Isaiah Lee, Joel Lombardi, Kyleigh McGuire, Devante Mount, Shawn O'Neill, Jaiden Patrizzo, Mikaela Pepe, Lucy Tooker and Chris Yanez Osoiro.

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Spring Has Sprung!



It's official, spring has sprung! This Robin Red Breast was seen searching for worms in a local front yard. (Photo by Scott Stratton)

Palms For Palm Sunday

By Steve Schmid

The current health emergency curtailed the traditional spread of palms used to celebrate the triumphant return of Jesus to Jerusalem. To help observe Palm Sunday, Christ Episcopal Church of South Amboy took to Facebook asking parishioners to observe the day by placing any green leafing they could find on their front doors throughout New Jersey. The church asked churchgoers to create their own palm fronds and hang them on their front doors Palm Sunday. Because of strict gathering bans enacted by Governor Phil Murphy in respect to the coronavirus, the Christian faithful were unable to attend Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday services. Many services however, were broadcast live on Facebook and YouTube.

South Amboy Republican Announces Candidacy

The South Amboy Republican Organization announced that Robert Mickiewicz has just joined the race for the 2nd Ward City Council seat, challenging incumbent Thomas Reilly. The Organization said that, "Robert is one of the many fine members of our community that always wants to give back in some of the most meaningful ways possible. Ever since the COVID-19 virus became the public enemy, Robert saw an opportunity to give back, for the past two weeks he has been manufacturing field hospital beds for medical institutions that are at their maximum capacity. It is this strong sense of volunteerism that made Robert want to run for the City Council." Mickiewicz added "I always love to help, and I really would just like to bring a positive change to South Amboy. There are many things that I think could be done differently, and I truly believe that I am the man to do it." The Republican Organization said "If you wish to contact Robert to learn more about him or his candidacy please email him at r.mickiewicz31@gmail.com. If you yourself might be interested in running for Council in either the 1st or 3rd Ward please contact the South Amboy GOP at southamboyGOP@gmail.com.

If God Can Hear

By Al Gomolka Jr.
 Times Poet Laureate
 c.1999

*If God can hear
 The breath of a fish
 The flutter of butterfly wings
 The footsteps of a centipede
 A robin swallowing a worm
 The rip of a raindrop falling in air
 Surely, then, he can hear
 The silent prayer of our heart*

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Poppy Sale Has Been Canceled

The Catholic War Veterans, Sacred Heart Memorial Post 578, South Amboy, Poppy Sale which was set for Saturday, May 2nd, 3:00 PM till 7:00 PM and on Sunday May 3rd, 6:00 AM till 1:00 PM in front of Sacred Heart Church, Washington Ave., South Amboy, NJ. has been canceled. Thank you to all who have supported us in the past. See you in 2021.

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Pleasant little TRIVIA

By Tom Burkard

- Who is the current Chief of the Sayreville Fire Department?
 a. Jonathan Magaw b. Rich Kleszewski c. Fred Berkowitz
- In 1995, this person received the most votes in the South Amboy Board of Education election?
 a. Bob Kelly b. Joan Allendale c. Edward Campbell
- This Sayreville musician appeared in a '95 Gloria Estefan video?
 a. Jerry Mocar b. Joe Mongiovi c. Frank Cilente
- In 1995, this Karate center was located on Bordentown Ave. in South Amboy?
 a. Tiger Tim's b. Fourth Degree c. Champion
- In '95, where was Angelo's Pizzeria/Italian Restaurant located in Sayreville?
 a. Washington Rd. b. Rt. 9 South c. Main St.
- Where was Albern's Seafood located in South Amboy?
 a. North Pine Ave. b. South Broadway c. North Broadway
- Received the most votes in the 1995 Sayreville Board of Education election?
 a. Jerry Sacher b. Al Cox c. Mark Iardi
- Back in '95, where was Gee Wiz Insurance Brokerage located in South Amboy?
 a. Bordentown Ave. b. John St. c. South Broadway
- Emma Arleth School Principal in 1995?
 a. Dolores Grudziecka b. John Golden c. Harriet Consolo
- Where was Broadway Coiffures located in South Amboy?
 a. Main St. b. North Broadway c. South Broadway

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

South Amboy Businesses Support Hackensack Meridian Health (HMH) RBMC



Pictured are owners of Delios Pizza at 120 North Broadway who recently donated lunch to our local hospitals, Caterina and Pete provided lunch to the Respiratory Therapy Staff of the Old Bridge and Perth Amboy Campuses. Respiratory Therapists are the health care professionals managing the life sustaining ventilators during this COVID 19 pandemic. Cathy and Pete said "we can't thank them enough for their work, God Bless them". (Photo/Info Submitted)



Owner of Fittings by Sheila Mastectomy Boutique also on Broadway, Sheila Gonzalez is one of the Respiratory Therapists in the front lines at RBMC. She is pictured speaking in a virtual town hall meeting with HMH CEO Bob Garrett, discussing current challenges, solutions and goals for their patients, staff and communities. Also, of note: Mid Jersey Medical Supplies owners Jorge and Rosario Gonzalez have donated ventilator, monitoring equipment, and PPE to HMH and PPE equipment to local First Aid Squads. "It is our duty to cooperate whenever possible." (Photo/Info Submitted)

Jammin For Jaclyn Benefit Concert

PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE!!
 (7TH ANNUAL) JAMMIN FOR JACLYN BENEFIT CONCERT will now TAKE PLACE on **JUNE 13, 2020**. This is an annual benefit for those stricken with cancer. We offer a FREE hot and cold buffet with many Vegan Options from over 60 eateries, 9 Live Bands, a 50/50, a Door Prize and a cash bar for just a \$25 minimum donation at the door (Adults only). This year our two beneficiaries are Sienna Smith of Sayreville & Chris Szatkowski of South Amboy, both stricken with cancer. The event is on June 13, 2020 at the Knights of Columbus in (Parlin) SAYREVILLE NJ, 08859, (775 Washington Road) from 3:30 p.m - 2 a.m.

*Tickets can be purchased at the door.

Some of this year's Featured Artists include: John Walsh, Patsy Palma, Levy Okun, Amber Morgan, Jake Tavill & Indigo Soul, The Fog, Jason and The Magnificent You-Know-Whats, Michael Squillace (Featured throughout the night). *Audio Services Provided By Jason Portizo of JTP Audio. TO MAKE DONATIONS or CONTACT FOUNDERS reach out to: Denise Morgan, Ron Morgan or Michael Squillace 732-525-9536 JamminforJaclyn.org; JamminforJaclyn@gmail.com Facebook: @JamminforJaclyn Insta: @JamminforJaclyn Twitter: @JamminforJaclyn Event in conjunction with RJC Charities Inc (501c3 non-profit). Sponsored in part by Sayreville Education Association PRIDE.

History Repeats Itself!

This poem was written by Kathleen O'Mara in 1869, it was reprinted in 1919 during the Pandemic.

1919

And people stayed at home
 And read books
 And listened
 And they rested
 And did exercises
 And made art and played
 And learned new ways of being
 And stopped and listened
 More deeply
 Someone meditated, someone prayed
 Someone met their shadow
 And people began to think differently
 And people healed.
 And in the absence of people who
 Lived in ignorant ways
 Dangerous, meaningless and heartless,
 The earth also began to heal
 And when the danger ended and
 People found themselves
 They grieved for the dead
 And made new choices
 And dreamed of new visions
 And created new ways of living
 And completely healed the earth
 Just as they were healed.



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Yearbook-St. Mary's 1980

By Tom Burkard

The song "My Sharona" was ruling the radio with the #1 song in September, 1979, when St. Mary's Class of 1980 returned for its final go round at the books and more... Sister Joan Gavron was principal, and some of the faculty consisted of; Debbie Pajak, Barry Vozar, Kathleen Shiels, Carmen Zisa, Sister M. Robertine Bulman, Suzanne Burns, Stephen Nestinger, Sister Janet Christenson, and John Morvay... Noreen Kestler and Mary Muchanic were Editors-In-Chief of the yearbook which was dedicated to Maureen O'Connor...The social calendar was always busy with events such as The Hootenanny, Gong Show, Math League, and a few clubs-Spanish, French, Photography... In 1980, "Dallas" became the highest rated show in the history of TV as 83 million watched... Eric Heiden won 5 gold medals in skating at the Winter Olympics...Genuine Risk became the first filly to win the Kentucky Derby in 65 years.... On the Senior Senate were Denise Louglin, Mary Beth Paczkowski, Mary Ann Letts, Ginny Rossetti, Ann Noble, Mike Rahl, Paul Turner... Cheerleader Co-Captains were Mary Muchanic and Jeanne Dohaney...Connie Venutolo was the Valentine's Queen... Some of the fine senior athletes in the Class of 80 were; Ann Noble, Bill Howarth, Paul Fecskovics, Mike Noble, Dave Gomolka, Brian Grover, Robert Howe, Dan Kudelka, Nick Russo, Denise Loughlin, Denise Fitzsimmons, Mary Beth DeFeo... Seniors from the Class of '80, selected randomly include; Suzanne Beaudry, Francine Biancamano, Mary Birmingham, Barbara Bonis, Liz Bravo, Genevieve Braney, James Burke, Maryanna Cheeseman, Denise Clark, Mary Jean Crowe, Cathryn O'Connor, Kelly Ann Dick, Carla Dini, Patricia Fleming, Chester Giera, Regina Guiro, Cammy Hospidor, Denise Kokoszka, Donna Harvey, William Harvey, Margaret Holton, Sharon Kelly, Darcy Jean Jacobi, Mary Lou Kosmoski, Andrea Korshalla, Sharon Mackiel, Patricia McQuade, Joanne Morris, David Munck, Jane Newcomb, Ronal Orłowski, Carlene Parker, Maureen Redling, Donna Roskey, Gabi Soltesz, Bridget Scully, Mary Snover, Mary Lou Sullivan, Ed Woj, Joan Wojciechowski, Kenny Forman... St. Mary's Class of 1980 had an interesting blend of scholars, athletes, and much more.

BBQ Baseball And Fireworks July 10

Should play resume, the South Amboy Knights of Columbus Council 426 invite you for an evening of baseball, barbeque and fireworks Friday July 10. The Somerset Patriots are scheduled to host the Lancaster Barnstormers at 7:05 p.m. Cost of \$35 includes game ticket, all you can eat barbeque through the 3rd inning. Entrees include hamburgers, hot dogs, pulled pork, veggie burgers, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, chips, cookies, and fountain soft drinks. A condiment bar includes ketchup, mustard, cheese, sauerkraut, chili, diced onions, and cheese sauce. Fountain drinks will be available through the 7th inning. When the game ends, the lights go out and a wonderful fireworks display begins. For reservations call Steve at 732-727-1707.

Mets Bus Trip August 1

Should play resume, the South Amboy Knights of Columbus Council 426 are running their annual trip to Citi Field to watch the Mets play the Miami Marlins. The game is scheduled for Saturday August 1 at 7:10 p.m. Cost of \$135 includes reserved mezzanine seat, round trip motor coach transportation from the K of C parking lot, snacks, refreshments, a Mets promotional item, and \$24 worth of Mets Money that can be spent anywhere in the ballpark. For reservations call Steve at 732-727-1707.

ST. MARY'S HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1970

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Humor in Uniform - USMC

By John "Flip" Phillips, A proud PFC, USMC

When: July 1958. Where: Parris Island, South Carolina, (Boot Camp).

It was standard practice after morning chow to "square away" the barracks and get ready for whatever the DI's (Drill Instructors) had in store for us that day. Four of us were told to get our buckets and go outside to "police" the area (pick up paper, cigarette butts etc.). So, out we went. After about ten minutes we decided there was nothing to pick up... so we went behind a building and turned over our buckets to take a break. Then one of the guys said: crap (not really) there's the platoon section leader looking at us. The section leader was a boot just like us, but he was boot number one. In other words, he was the DI's eyes and ears.... if you know what I mean. We knew we were in trouble. He told us to get back to the barracks.

Yes, he told the DI what we were doing, and we were told to report to the DI's quarters ASAP. When we got there the DI told us to sit on the deck with our backs to the bulkhead (wall) outside of his quarters. Then he took a fire hose from the wall and slowly turned it on... us. After we were soaked and wet, he increased the force and before you knew it, we were slipping and sliding up and down the hallway. It must have been funny because DI's from the other platoons in our section came out to enjoy the show.



PFC John "Flip" Phillips, USMC

After the "show" was over we had to get our buckets, mops and squeegees and get the area cleaned and dry before we could change into dry clothing. It was done in record time. And, the four of us never got to police the outside area again.

GOOD FRIDAY, 1964 KODIAK, ALASKA

By Dennis O'Leary

Radioman for Crew 12, Patrol Squadron 2- Kodiak, Alaska

Patrol squadron 2, 12 planes, 11 men on a crew, our mission was to watch shipping in the Northern Pacific, monitor submarines. 8 Crews at Kodiak, 3 at Adak, halfway up the Aleutians, and 1 at Shemya, at the end, near Russia. Good Friday Crew 12 was at Kodiak. I was 20 years old. Gerry, our Electrician, and I were talking across the top of one of the metal bunks that afternoon, and all of a sudden the bunks and the metal lockers went wildly dancing. I'll never forget the look we exchanged. It was pretty wide-eyed with disbelief. Without a word everyone in the barracks ran out the door. The ground was rolling as if we were at sea. I grabbed onto a tree which was shaking me, and looked across the bay and saw the side of Old Woman Mountain sheer off down into the Bay. After the blast quieted down, we were told to go down to the Hangar and Tarmac area. In our repair shops we moved everything as high as we could. Then we moved the aircraft to higher ground, all in advance of the expected high water. We did get high water, but the town of Kodiak got the direct Tsunami hit. A picture shows the fishing boats about a 1/2 mile inland. If you Google earth where the Coast Guard Area is nowadays, the spot that's right on the water below Old Woman Mountain is where our Naval Air section was. The water came right up there. That evening we were sent up to the Enlisted Men's Club, which sat up high on a hill like a crow's nest. High water was coming. The Club was after hours for Air Crews, regular Navy, Seabees,

Coast Guard and Marines. No women went there, but there was a good shuffleboard, a fight now and then. We spent the night there, and some moaning because the bar was closed. The next day I was sent to A/C # 3 where Cdr. Harlan Purdy wanted to see me. One of the senior pilots, he greeted me with a long message in his hand and said he was going to taxi the plane to the southern point of the runway and we were going to try to send the message to the lower 48, namely Whidbey Island Washington, our home base. I later thought he picked me because I was the senior Morse Code operator at that time. I finally reached a plane out of Squadron 17 out of Whidbey and their radioman said he would send our message over to Base Whidbey. It was a lengthy report on the damage to the base at Kodiak, including that all the communications were out. The message ended with an upbeat weather report for Saturday, clear and calm and I felt the tone of it was that things were messed up, but we were OK. Tom, the other Electronic Tech and I had been talking about going to church on that Good Friday but we didn't. Later we said, maybe we should have, maybe we added to the bad events of that day by not going. Later we heard the crucifix was the only thing left standing in the Church.

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Saint Gerard

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To St. Jude

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Saving Money Can Be Very Expensive

By Elaine Holton Scott

Sales...everyone likes to get a good buy on a product, especially in a grocery store. We can survive not waking up on Christmas morning to find a gift of a brand new car in our driveway with a bow bigger than a patio umbrella attached to its roof top and/or a day spent walking past the "step right up" stalls in Keansburg instead of strolling along the streets of Paris, but no one can survive without food. Food is a must...and when there are good sales, wise shoppers come out in droves, usually with coupons in their hands, digital ones downloaded to their shoppers' cards or both. Having been brought up with Depression era parents, I had soon learned the value of even a penny, which, by the way, was nothing to sneeze at since a penny could buy a nice sized piece of candy years ago. I love food; food costs money; so sales for me was always the way to go.

Like an old gold miner hitting it rich back in the Gold Rush days, finding a store like Sav-A-Lot was equal to hitting pay dirt. That was back in 2003, when other grocery stores began raising their prices while Sav-A-Lot was actually reducing theirs. Being a thrifty shopper, I began buying up all the sales' items I could before going to the cash register with my shopping cart so overloaded, a hand had to keep those "best buys" from falling over the cart's side. To my dismay, all of those sale items began making the tape register longer and longer, blowing my food budget to smithereens. That was when I was living in Marietta, Georgia and Sav-A-Lot wasn't too far down the road. All of those "savings" reminded me of when I had lived in Magnolia, Arkansas and began spending twice as much money on food at their local Kroger store because it was tripling the value of coupons. By the time that customer bait ended, I was left with food items I never had wanted in the first place using coupons just to get them tripled. Well, all of my past knowledge went out the window when I saw whole turkeys being sold for 33 cents a pound. Having an upright freezer in the

basement, like a glutton or a turkey fanatic, I bought 5 of them in one day. Yes, a few ended up getting freezer burn but it still makes me feel proud to know I had "saved a lot" at Sav-A-Lot. Then, it happened... one day I went to the store to see it closed down...with a big paper sign in one of the front windows stating, "Closed," in black magic marker. The days of saving money on their sales while spending more money to get them, were over.

Years passed by, and the big store in the strip mall remained closed. The handwritten sign fell down when the tape which held it up let go, and still no word was said about the reason it had closed its doors as well as all the doors of every other Sav-A-Lot.

Then, one night on television I finally learned the reason. The owner couldn't operate those stores any longer because he was in prison for breaking the Catholic 5th Commandment many, many times. There is a moral to this story: Crime does not pay, nor does becoming somewhat of a glutton buying "stuff" just because it's on sale.

****We are now under siege from the Coronavirus Pandemic. I pray we all stay well during this bad time...learning what really is important in life as we "wait it out." Please, check on your neighbors...and help the pets who are being abandoned or left to starve.

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Rumbles from the Rock and Roll Reunion

By Clem Skarzynski

Hey hey, wow...who would've expected this? I, personally, did not take it too seriously when it began, but quickly 'wised up' with what was going on, and realized this was "for real as real can be!" So, hoping all of our readers are complying with the "Social Distancing" and using gloves and masks! AND most important, "washing those grubby hands, while singing "happy birthday"! All you musicians out there, hope you've been practicing those "runs" and "licks" you've been trying to figure out since high school! I know I have! As per "Clem and Friends previously scheduled "shows" have all been "postponed" till further notice, as we really

don't have an idea when we can begin to "get back to normal," whatever that was! And all the musicians/bands in our area are in the same quandary! No Rock'n Roll for a while! That's all o.k...we've got more important things to be worried about. We'll get through this, like all else we've been thru. Just don't forget..PRAYER, PRAYER, and more Prayer! It works! God's listening, so get to it. To all, be safe and aware, and most of all "Kind to one Another!" Be as well as you can, and we'll be all together, again, without masks, gloves, and six feet apart from one another!

#1 Pop Hits-April 25

- 2006-Bad Day-Daniel Powter
- 1998-Too Close-Next
- 1985-We Are The World-USA For Africa
- 1977-Don't Leave Me This Way-Thelma Houston
- 1964-Can't Buy Me Love-The Beatles
- 1955-The Ballad Of Davy Crockett-Bill Hayes

#1 Country Hits April 25

- 2000-The Best Day-George Strait
- 1991-Down Home-Alabama
- 1980-It's Like We Never Said Goodbye-Crystal Gayle
- 1972-Chantilly Lace-Jerry Lee Lewis
- 1966-I Want To Go With You-Eddy Arnold
- 1959-White Lightning-George Jones

You Tube-in

We came across a couple excellent songs from Jersey Shore musicians. Check out Tim McLoone & The Shirleys pure-country song, "A Girl Named Laney." The chorus is really catchy, and it's surprising that this song hasn't hit the country music radio stations playlist yet...BethAnne Clayton recorded a beautiful song in 2011 titled "Who I Am Today"... Samantha Spano, a New Jersey recording artist has a fine song/video "Crazy Boy," which you can see by going to Crazy Boy (Official Video)...Remember the movie "That Thing You Do?" Give a listen to the song with the same title performed by The Wonders... If you've got 16 minutes and 56 seconds to

spare, listen to the legendary Bob Dylan's new song "Murder Most Foul," his longest recording ever, which was written about the John F. Kennedy assassination Nov. 22, 1963. If you hope to hear Dylan's singing, you'll be disappointed, as he recites the entire song, which is more like an unending poem, with very light music playing in the background. He should really win an award-not for the best song of 2020, but more like the top "poem" of 2020...A new version/video of a '82 Bruce Springsteen song, "Out of Work," was re-written and sung by the great Gary U.S. Bonds, who is now 80 years old.

One Hit Wonders

35 Years Ago

- 1985-Call To The Heart-Giuffria; Operator-Midnight Star; Relax-Frankie Goes To Hollywood; Axel F-Harold Faltermeyer; In My House-Mary Jane Girls; Never Ending Story-Limahl; 19-Paul Hardcastle; Cry-Godley & Creme; Miami Vice Theme-Jan Hammer; Love Theme From St. Elmo's Fire-David Foster; Perfect Way-Scritti Politti; Been So Lonely-Charlie Sexton; Sidewalk Talk-Jellybean.

Walsh Enters Bon Jovi Song Contest

Singer/Songwriter John Walsh of Sayreville did a beautiful job writing a verse, and singing it for Jon Bon Jovi's Song Contest. Bon Jovi wrote the chorus and first verse, but left the second verse for fans to express their feelings of the Coronavirus Pandemic. Jon invited anyone to write their own verse and post on their social media accounts using #DoWhatYouCan. During the first 2 days of the contest, over 6,000 entries were sent in.

New Movies

"I Still Believe" starring country singer Shania Twain, Gary Sinise, and in the leading roles K.J. Apa as Jeremy Camp, and Britt Robertson. This is a true story about a Christian singer Jeremy Camp and his wife who was very ill. It really hits home, being sad, but also a beautiful story of life, and Camp's love of God. This was one of the best movies to come out in a long time. Rating-10.0.

*Note: Ratings range from 0-10 with 10 being the very best.

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LETTERS

Writer Responds To Reader's Letter
Dear Tom Urbanik,

I was in a dilemma about Oregon when writing the article about pumping gas. When I read how the state didn't strictly adhere to the old law, I omitted adding it. Now I wish I hadn't. In the meantime, I now know why Oregon was always one of my favorite states to visit.

Thanks for taking the time to write!
Elaine Holton Scott



LETTERS
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By Tom Burkard

Songs With One Word Titles

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| 1. Longer | a. The Beatles |
| 2. Groovin' | b. Petula Clark |
| 3. Downtown | c. The Eagles |
| 4. Mirage | d. John Lennon |
| 5. Tragedy | e. Styx |
| 6. Desperado | f. Dan Fogelberg |
| 7. Always | g. The Young Rascals |
| 8. Something | h. Bon Jovi |
| 9. Sailing | i. Tommy James & The Shondells |
| 10. Imagine | j. The Bee Gees |



Answers 10d. 9e. 8a. 7h. 6c. 5f. 4i. 3g. 2b. 1j

Remembering Kenny Rogers

By Tom Burkard

Music great, Kenny Rogers, 81, died on March 20th. The legendary performer was no stranger to the state of New Jersey concert venues, and I was fortunate to have seen him in action at least five times through the years. He was certainly an incredible singer/entertainer, and his list of hit records and career achievements is truly long and unbelievable.

If you were around way back in early 1968, you probably noticed Kenny for the first time in his group The First Edition, which had its initial hit "Just Dropped In (To See What Condition My Condition Was In)," and took it to #5 on Billboard Top 40 list. He changed the name of the band to Kenny Rogers & The First Edition in '68, and they had their biggest hit, "Ruby Don't Take Your Love To Town," which peaked at #6 in July, 1968. He had 4 other Top 40 hits through 1970, but that was it, and the band eventually folded.

However, Rogers was not quite finished, and reinvented himself, selecting songs that would satisfy both country and pop music fans, and this is what became known as crossover music. In '77, his song "Lucille" reached the top of the Country charts, and was #5 on the Top 40. That was just the beginning. Hit after hit record kept coming out, and Kenny was a huge draw at all concerts throughout the world.

Kenny racked up 21 #1 Country hits, and had two that hit the top spot on the Top 40, "Lady," in 1980, and "Islands In The Stream," a duet with Dolly Parton in '83. Many other Rogers' tunes will live on forever, and just to name a few, "The Gambler," which launched Kenny on an acting career, "She Believes In Me," "You Decorated My Life," "Coward Of The County," "Don't Fall In Love With A Dreamer," with Kim Carnes, "Through The Years," "We've Got Tonight" with Sheena Easton, "The Greatest," and "Buy Me A Rose" with Allison Krauss and Billy Dean.

There were many more hits for him, way too many to list here.

The honors and awards throughout his illustrious career were also plentiful. He won a CMA award 5 times, and in 2013, received the CMA's Willie Nelson Lifetime Achievement Award in addition to being inducted into the prestigious Country Music Hall of Fame. He received 10 awards from the Academy of Country Music, and sold 47 million records in the U.S.

Unfortunately, I never had the chance to personally meet Kenny, but have three memories about him that stand out. Around 1980, I took my daughter Sarah to her first concert--Kenny Rogers of course, at Hofstra University in New York, and it was a beautiful memory we will never forget. The other two may seem insignificant, but I'll always remember the time during his Christmas show at the State Theatre in New Brunswick, around 2000, when I was taking photos of him as he came into the audience, and was singing "White Christmas." He would sing a couple words, and then hold the microphone in someone's face for them to sing a word, and he continued through the crowd doing this for audience participation. Well, I took a quick photo of him as he was getting near our seats, and the next thing I knew, Kenny put the mic in my face, and I sang the word "white" with Kenny Rogers holding the mic! Wow! It may be hard to believe, but very true. Another time in the early 2000's, we were covering his PNC concert, and sitting in the second row. Late in the show, he came to the edge of the stage and many people went up to shake his hand, and you can bet this big Kenny Rogers fan went right up and got to shake his hand as well.

Kenny Rogers was one of the truly greatest singers/entertainers of all-time and will never be forgotten.

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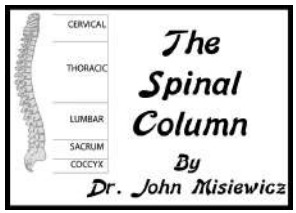
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4. Concentrate on your movements.
5. When it signals pain, ease up and don't force the movement.
6. Exercise regularly in a pleasant and quiet environment.

As always, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure!

Fishing Flashes

By Teo "Weebles" Weber

Salt Water

The Covid-19 Pandemic has definitely affected our fishing. They are catching some Stripers in the surf at Island Beach, but with State Parks being closed, access may not now be available. So far, at Barnegat Light, you can park in nearby areas and walk on the jetty. Blackfish are being caught there. Striped Bass were caught in the surf at LBI but the problem is that most, if not all of LBI beaches, are closed. Striper fishing is good in the back areas of the bay and at night on private boats. The Raritan Bay Beach fishing has improved. I saw 4 shorts caught at Ideal Beach. One was near keeper size. There have been some keepers caught. Private boats are bringing in keepers and short Bass by trolling in the bay. It looks like "the party's over" for the time being on our party boats. They cannot sail because of the Governor's orders on distancing and nonessential activity. This also applies to charter boats that usually go with 4 to 6 people. Prior to that, when they did go it was a pick of Ling, a few Cod and Blackfish.

Fresh Water

There were two opening days for Trout fishing. Between April 1 to April 11 it was catch and release. The official Opening Day was the 12th. You can keep 6 Trout until June. The weather was not so great that day, a lot of wind to hamper anglers. I didn't go out that day but I know that Trout were caught in spite of wind and high water. The Lewis Brothers fishery dropped the nets in the Delaware River 2 times-there were no shad caught.



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.) -L.P.

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. -M.L.

WWW.?



Does this look familiar? Send your answer to satimes@aol.com by May 18. (Photo by Tom Burkard)

WWW.? Winners For March

Last month's photo was the Masonic Temple which was located on Main St. in South Amboy, right next to where Don Giovanni's currently stands. The winning entries were submitted by Chuck Pickard, Pat & Bill Scully, Jack & Keith Piskorski and Lorraine Krauss, Susan Mulvey, Marie English & Ed English, Eleanore Westerholm, Dennis Quinlan, Marlene Letwenski, Maryanne Matarangolo, Gerry Sherry, Leon Credico, Dennis & Kathy O'Leary, Betty Leveille, Paul Conlon, Stephen Laskiewicz, Don Zrebiec, Peggy & Steve Yuhas, Pete McIntyre, Joan Gorczyca, Dotty Frisch, Gary Feret, Joanne Niestempski, Mary Agnes Morris, Nonnie Nonnemacher, Joan Fulham, Paul Sohayda, Lisa Grankowski, Mary Beth Chodkiewicz, T.J. Albanese, Michele Gavron, Lynn Loy, Dane Colburn, Judy Guilfoyle, Chelle Martin.



March-WWW.? Masonic Temple

WHAT IS IT?????

By Brian and Phyllis Stratton



Any idea of what the above picture is? Most homes had them and they were very useful to fill the house with joy. Nothing could be seen but rather heard. The advent of tapes and cd's basically made these obsolete and for years they could not be given away. Today certain models are very desirable and demanding top dollar. Send your answer to us at satimes@aol.com by May 18th.

WHAT IS IT? Winners

The What Is It? for March was a Roller Skate Key! The key pictured is from the Chicago Skate Company, We received numerous comments from our readers about their keys and where they kept them whether in their pocket, shoe or even tied to a rubber band. They were used for good ol' fashioned metal roller skates that strapped onto your shoes. The hexagonal loop on top was used to turn the bolt that adjusted the length of the skate and the tubular end fit on the pin that tightened the toe grips.

Those who correctly identified it were: Chuck Pickard, Marie English & Ed English, Susan Mulvey, Eleanore Westerholm, Susie Coakley, Pete McIntyre, Stanley Zdanowicz, John Gelsinon, Peggy and Steve Yuhas, Janet Piscatelli, Marlene Letwenski, Gerry Sherry, Leon Credico, Dennis & Kathy O'Leary, Elaine Scott, Lynn Freyer, Betty

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Skate Key

The Smoke Column

By Ex-Chief Richard Kosmoski, BA, MS

What is going on? The world seems to have stopped spinning since February. I have more questions than answers. Did WE see this COVID-19 coming? Yes, NO, Somewhat, Maybe! Were WE prepared? Yes, No, Somewhat, Maybe! So, where do we go from here? Too many questions and not enough answers. You can see that the answers to these questions vary from one end of the spectrum to the other, depending on who you ask. The government said YES that they saw it coming and were, or in the processing of, preparing. To those who were suffering with the virus may respond to those questions with a stern NO! Many people think that they are invincible and will not get the virus, no not me, it is always the other guys that gets it. At this point what we should be concerned about is leveling out the curve and getting it to turn downwards. We should be obeying the rules in place for social distancing because this is the best way to prevent or at least slow the transfer of this deadly virus. If more answers and solutions were available, we could stop the virus in its tracks, but at this point those solutions aren't yet available. In the meantime, keep your 6 foot distance from others.

Were our local fire departments prepared? Yes, we were as far as the information we received from the medical/health authorities. When the government started to shut down local businesses and required people to stay at home, I was asked an unusual question by two people. They said that since businesses would be closed, would the firehouse also be closed, and the firefighters made to stay home? I thought this was quite odd and unusual, so thinking a minute before answering and not wanting to be sarcastic,

I answered their question with my question. When you dial 911 for an emergency don't you want someone to come to your aid? Do you really think that if your house is on fire, we won't be responding because of concerns in getting the COVID-19 virus? We DON'T close fire stations. Too many people depend on the fire service. Fire houses are an important resource in our community and will be at your doorstep when you dial 911. Before responding from the firehouses, we will take the necessary precautions for our safety. If there is an actual fire, we will go through the entire fire fighting process to save lives and extinguish the fire and conserve property. This is what we do as firefighters!

We are prepared because we train, train, and train more. We do extensive training on Hazardous Materials, and Hazardous Materials incidents which the COVID-19 can be considered. We study the different hazards associated with CBRNE Chemical, Biological, Radiation, Nuclear, and Explosive). Each one of these components can be involved in a Hazardous Materials incident. They can be rated by the deaths and destruction they cause and the frequency they can occur. A Chemical incident would not usually be a Mass Casualty Incident due to it being isolated to a specific area. A Radiation incident would be isolated locally and not occur frequently. A Nuclear incident is rare but could cause many deaths as we saw in the bombing of Japan in WW II and more recently the Chernobyl incident in Russia. Explosive incidents would include military bombs or a more common incident locally where pipe bombs are used to kill few individuals. COVID-19 is a Biological incident that has the potential to

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The Vintage Car Contest



Can you identify the make and model of this 1970's car and the movie that made it famous? Send your answers (all three parts) to satimes@aol.com by May 18th.

March's Vintage Car

By Brian and Phyllis Stratton

The vintage car pictured in the March 28th issue was a 1964 Oldsmobile Vista cruiser. The Vista Cruiser is a station wagon manufactured and marketed by Oldsmobile over three generations from 1964 to 1977. ... Sharing its bodystyle with the Buick Sport Wagon, the Vista Cruiser was introduced on February 4, 1964, as a 1964 model, based on the Oldsmobile Cutlass/F-85 model. During the custom Van craze in the 1970's many Vista Cruiser roof windows were used to replace the roofs on many vans as pictured below. The Vista Cruiser was popularized in the TV show "That 70s Show". Today a concours level example of this car can bring over \$25k.

Readers who correctly identified the vehicle were: Marie English & Ed English, Peggy & Steve Yuhas, Betty Leveille,

Stephen Laskiewicz, Gregg Alexander, Jack & Keith Piskorski & Lorraine Krauss, Joan Fulham, Pat & Bill Scully, Lynn Loy, Pete McIntyre, Dane Colburn, Mark Moniello, Steve Villig, Anthony Carlo.

Last month we missed the correct answer from Marie English & Ed English... Sorry



Custom Van with Vista Cruiser Roof



March Vintage Car - 1964 Oldsmobile Vista Cruiser.

become a Mass Casualty Incident and is fast becoming a Mass casualty Incident. As of this writing, the curve has not been flattened and thousands of Americans are becoming infected each day and hundreds are dying. We look at the percentages of people who contracted the virus and the percentage that are dying. Getting the virus doesn't mean a death sentence. Yes, you may be violently

sick but as far as the figures show, 3-4% of the people with the virus die. So, you have a greater chance of surviving the virus than from dying from it.

Hopefully by the time you are reading this article, the curve has been flattened and is on the downswing. To all my fellow first responders, stay safe, stay healthy, stay strong, we need every one of you!

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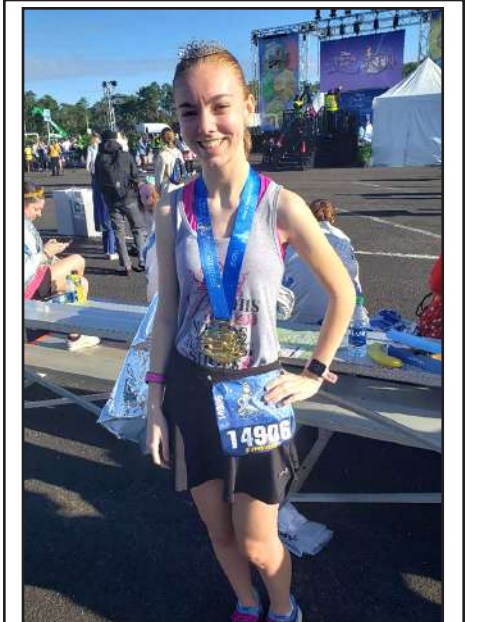
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School Sports
Joe Hoehman Coach Of The Year
 By Steve Schmid

South Amboy native son, Joe Hoehman's coaching job has won him the honor of Home News Tribune's Boys Basketball Coach of the Year. Hoehman coached South Brunswick to a 23-2 record which ended with a 21 game winning streak. Hoehman said the team started clicking after the winter break and hit their stride in January and never looked back. South Brunswick advanced to the Greater Middlesex County final for only the third time in school history. The team also ended a 13-year sectional title drought with a thrilling 71-70 victory over Marlboro in the Central Jersey Group 4 championship game. Joe is quick to give credit to his team for pitching in and making individual sacrifices for the good of the team. Joe has been the South Brunswick coach for the last 13 years and credits his predecessors Dave Turco and Chris Balent for giving him on the job training as an assistant coach on a successful team. He believes this has made him a successful head coach. Joe comes from a large South Amboy family with 12 siblings including two sets of twins. He played basketball at Hoffman High School and graduated from Montclair State University where he began his teaching and coaching career. He is the fifth child of Jim and the late Linda Hoehman of South Amboy, and his father Jim said he and his wife raised him to be a solid citizen with a great work ethic. The South Amboy Sayreville Times congratulates Joe Hoehman for an outstanding coaching job and a wonderful season.

College Notebook

Kelly Duffy (Sayreville) was #3 in batting avg.-.429; hits-9; and RBI-6 for Rowan University (5-2-1)...Ryane Brush (Sayreville) was 2nd in batting avg. with a .355 clip for St. Rose, NY. She was also tied for #3 with 11 hits, and belted 2 home runs, and had 8 RBI...Patrick Walsh (South Amboy) finished 2nd in the mile at Mets Indoor Track & Field Championships for Rutgers U. back in January. He ran a 4:13.43, just behind the champion Billy Hill 4:12.75, who is also a Rutgers runner...Pete Soporowski (Sayreville) was leading Rider U. (6-8) with a fine 2.13 ERA. He was also (1-2), in 25.1 innings pitched, 11 strikeouts, and held opponents to a .277 batting avg. against him...Kayla Stvan (Sayreville) had a 1-for-4 performance in her Springfield College's only game of the season, a victory...Connor Johnson (Sayreville) is (1-1) on the mound for East Stroudsburg U. (14-1-2). He has 16 strikeouts in 13.2 innings, with a 3.95 ERA, and has kept opponent batters to a miniscule .224 avg. against him.



On February 23, 2020 Guinevere Kennedy participated in the Disney Princess Half Marathon in Orlando, Florida. The 13.1 mile race started at Epcot, runners ran through the Magic Kingdom, and finished back at Epcot. This was Guinevere's first half marathon with an impressive time of 1 hour and 55 minutes. With a combined men and women total of 20,492 runners she placed 597th. Out of a total of 17,518 women she placed 350th, and in her age group (14-17 year olds) she placed 8th out of a total of 308 runners. Congratulations on her accomplishments! (Photo/Info Submitted)

The Local Sports Memory Machine

By Tom Burkard

From The Youth League Archives



1989-This talented Rotary team competed in the South Amboy Girls Softball League. Pictured top row (l-r). Mgr. Octavia Zampella, Nancy Baranowski, Kelly Kayser, Shannon Moskal, Kathy Young, Pam Krieger, Stephanie Housman, Coach Dave Krieger. Bottom row (l-r) Jess Matarangelo, Kara Shilling, Melissa Herrick, Karen McInerney, Cris Zampella, Lisa Housman, Cheryl Namowicz. Seated Colleen McCormick, Jess Dempsey. (Photo/info submitted)

15 Years Ago

South Amboy freshman pitcher Stacy Ann Sarno, in her first varsity start fired an unbelievable 5-inning no-hitter to lead the Lady Guvs to a 10-0 trouncing over Woodbridge Tech. Meaghan Campbell and Sarah O'Connor had 2 RBI apiece, and Kayla Laratta went 3-for-4 with an RBI.

20 Years Ago

2000-Final Statistics

Boys Basketball

Sayreville (20-6) St. Mary (14-9) South Amboy (9-15).

Scoring-Total Points-Ed Behnen, SA, 751 (#1 in county); Tom Boychuk, SM, 460 (6th in county); Keith Beasley, Sayr, 287; Kevin Burns, SM, 286.

Scoring Avg.-Behnen, 32.6 (#1 in county); Boychuk, 20.0 (#5 in county); Burns 13.6; Beasley 11.0.

*Behnen was an All-Area 1st team selection in the Home News Tribune ... Dwayne Thomas of Sayreville was chosen to the 3rd team.

Girls Basketball

Team Records-St. Mary (20-5) South Amboy (17-8) Sayreville (4-17)

Scoring-Total Points-Kaitlyn Katko, SM 420 (5th in county); Kim Peterson, SA 416 (6th in county); Regan Rone, SA 336.

Scoring Avg.-Peterson 18.1 (5th in county); Katko 17.5 (6th in county); Rone 15.3 (8th in county).

*Middlesex County scoring champion, Jen Enos of East Brunswick Tech is a South Amboy resident. She scored 689 points, and averaged 30 points per game.. Janet Ust of Bishop Ahr resides in Sayreville. She was selected to the All-Area 1st team. Janet, only a junior, scored 393 points and averaged 15.1 ppg., in addition to cracking the 1,000 point mark this season.

Wrestling

Sayreville (7-8) St. Mary (2-12).

Top Wrestler-Heavyweight James Manion of Sayreville finished at (18-6).

Notes

Sayreville's Liam Jones was a 1st team Home News Tribune All-Area Boys Indoor Track team selection for the 400. He was also a 1st team All-Middlesex choice in The Star Ledger. Teammate Robin Mesina made 1st team in the 800.. The members of Sayreville's 2000 GMCT boys championship basketball team include coach Gus Jaworski; Players-Keith Beasley, Dwayne Thomas, Ryan Charzewski, Samir Sanu, Edwin Perez, Bobby Brown, Chris Rucks, Yazid Jackson, Keith Naylor. Congratulations to all!

25 Years Ago

1995-Jen McDonnell pitched and won both games of a doubleheader for Middlesex County College (MCC), by scores of 7-6, and 10-8 over Ocean County College. In the second game victory, Jen shattered the MCC record for most wins, by notching her 13th of the season, upping her record to (13-7) at the time. In high school, Jen starred for Hoffman

15 Years Ago

2005-Final Statistics

Boys Basketball

Cardinal McCarrick (23-5) Sayreville (9-13) South Amboy (8-15).

Points-Kevin Oliveri, CM 602 (#3 in county); Vincente Rosario, CM 477 (#9 in county); Brian Seres, SA, 451 (#10 in county); Donnie Reid, CM 386; Joe Bartlinski, SA 385; Brian Miklaszewski, Sayr 343; Shaune Thomas, Sayr 317.

Scoring Avg.-Oliveri, 22.2 (#4 in county); Seres, 19.6 (#9 in county); Rosario, 17.6; Bartlinski, South Amboy 16.7; Miklaszewski, 16.3; Thomas, 14.4; Reid, 13.7.

3-Point Field Goals-Reid 89 (#3 in county); Oliveri 61 (tied for #7); Bartlinski 56 (#10).

Girls Basketball

Cardinal McCarrick (20-4) South Amboy (8-13) Sayreville (2-18).

Wrestling

Sayreville (14-5)

Top Wrestlers-Mike Velardi (28-5); Vince Otero (28-5); Tom Danielsen (26-6); Scott Poore (25-6); Eric Tsang (23-6). Other talented grapplers- Pete Brereton, Sean Sullivan, Stephen Witkowski, Michael Knight, Frank Velardi. At the time, Coach Chris Beagan guided his squad to the most victories in Sayreville history.

T.H.E. Game

Year-2000

Sport-Girls Softball

Teams-St. Mary's (0-0) vs. Sayreville (0-0)

Recap-Diane Unger blasted a 3-run double in the bottom of the 6th inning to win it for the Saints. Winning pitcher Jill Palomo fired a 4-hitter. Lauren Switzer drilled a double for the Bombers.

Co-Players-of-the-Game-Diane Unger and Jill Palomo.

15 Years Ago

Besner All-Area Pick

2005-Bobby Besner, of South Amboy, a junior at St. Joseph's High School, was a 1st Team All-Area Swimming selection by the Home News Tribune. Besner was picked for the 200-Freestyle Relay. During the season, he finished 2nd place in the 200-Freestyle and 3rd in the 100-Freestyle in the GMC meet....

Flavaney Makes 1st Team

2005-The Home News Tribune chose senior, Trini Flavaney to its 1st Team All-Area for Boys Indoor Track. Flavaney was selected for the high jump in which he excelled throughout the season. He won the high jump (6-0) at the GMC Championships this year. The versatile trackster also competed in other events, and fared extremely well...

Scarola "Coach of the Year"

Sayreville Bombers Boys Indoor Track coach, Bill Scarola was selected "Coach of the Year" by The Home News Tribune. He guided his club to 2nd place in the GMC Championships. Scarola, who coached 35 years at Sayreville, the last 25 as head track coach, retired after the spring season.

Glory Days In Local Sports

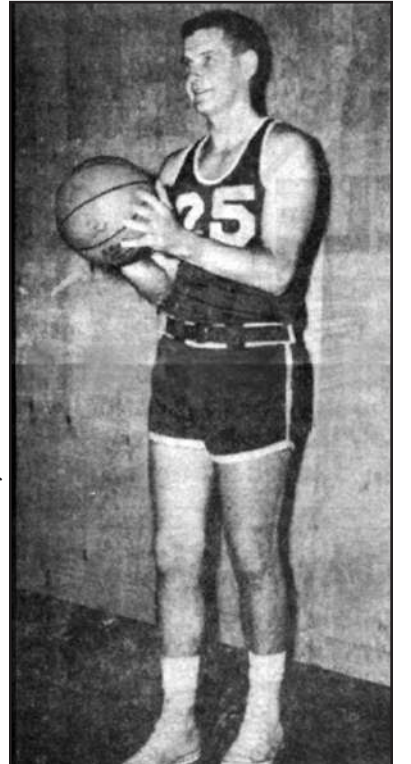
1959-Winning pitcher Ed Conroy pitched 4.3 innings of scoreless relief, and struck out 6 to lead the St. Mary's Eagles to a 9-5 triumph over St. Rose. Tom "Tex" Leonard blasted a single and triple, while Pat Vona and Bob Nappi stroked 2 hits each... 1965-The Eagles baseball nine topped JFK, 4-1, as winning pitcher John Burke struck out 6. Freshman phenom Tom "Red" Kelly drilled 2 hits and had 2 RBI, while Joe Vail laced an RBI single...1976-Sayreville jolted JFK in baseball play, 13-6, behind winning pitcher Bob Nelson. Dave Constantineau blasted a solo home run...1986-Hoffman

stopped St. Pius 2-0 in baseball action. Winning pitcher Dave Gumprecht struck out 7. Steve Chrzaszcz unloaded an RBI triple, and Dennis Leonard added an RBI single...1990-Sayreville girls softball standout Amy Muraszko was selected 1st Team All-Area third baseman after batting .396 with 13 RBI and 16 runs scored...2008-Winning pitcher Alexa Baldasare tossed a 2-hitter and struck out 7, as Sayreville beat Cardinal McCarrick, 5-3 in softball play. There were no earned runs scored in this game. Kelsey Mazur had an RBI single for the Bombers.

60 Years Ago ...

By Tom Burkard

March 6, 1960 was a day South Amboy's Ray "Butch" Tomaszewski will never forget. He became the first player in Monmouth College/University history to score 1,000 career points, accomplishing this feat in only 3 years. The Monmouth College Hawks had one game remaining in the 1959-60 season against a weak Cooper Union Team at Asbury Park's Convention Hall, and he needed 22 points. It seemed like it would be an easy task for Ray, who was an outstanding one-hand shot specialist. He was home for the weekend, and on Saturday night, a snowstorm covered the entire East Coast. The weather and road conditions were of primary concern to him, so he left South Amboy early, in what he thought would be plenty of time to arrive for the afternoon game. In route to the contest, he was involved in a car accident, and was shaken up. His teammates tried to wait for their star player by stalling in warm-ups, but the refs said "play ball." Miraculously, Ray made it to Convention Hall midway through the first half. He didn't even take a warmup shot, and managed 7 points, even though his shooting was off. His teammates tried to feed him as much as they could throughout the game, and in the second half, he found his magic touch. With 1:29 left, Tomaszewski tossed in a one-hander from the left corner to crack the 1,000 elusive points barrier. Coach Bill Boylan took him out of the game, and he received a thunderous ovation. "My teammates contributed greatly. Without them feeding me the ball, there's no way I could have cracked 1,000 points." said Tomaszewski. Ray Tomaszewski had a run of bad luck, and unforeseen obstacles in his path that day, but he persevered to overcome those problems, and won his spot in sports history, as Monmouth College's



Ray "Butch" Tomaszewski

first 1,000 points scorer.

Note:Ray "Butch" Tomaszewski went onto to a long and successful career as a teacher and coach at Hoffman H.S. While coaching the Governors boys basketball team for many years, he guided them to the Central Jersey Group I sectional championship in 1967.

Diamond Dust

1960 South Amboy Little League

Enterprise 17 PBA 7-Winning pitcher was Don Wernett. Tom "Tee" O'Connell ripped 4 hits for the winners. Lions 30 Rotary 2-Mike Keller was the winning pitcher. Ed Skwira and Gary Iacouzzi had 4 hits apiece. K of C 4 Lions 1-Ron Creed was the winning pitcher. Fran Fitzmorris and Tom Harkins laced 3 hits each for K of C.

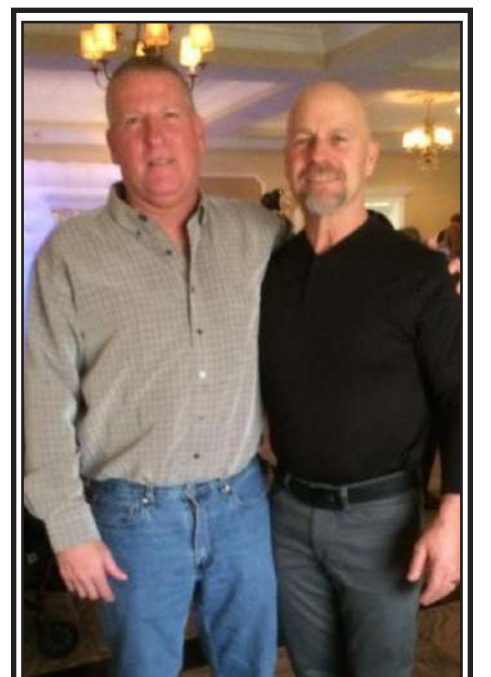
1969 South Amboy Little Fellas League First Aid 11 Daylight Bakery 2-Tom Diem fired a 2-hitter and struck out 12 for the victory. Fran Norek smashed 2 triples and drove in 3 runs. Jo-Tom's 8 English Chevron 5-Winning pitcher Kevin Ostrander whiffed 13, and Charlie "Buddy" Powell hit 2 singles, and a double to drive in 3. Enterprise 16 Rotary 4-Mike Klimchak drilled 3 hits and knocked in 4 runs to support winning pitcher Myron English, who struck out 11.

1969 South Amboy Babe Ruth League South Amboy Trust Co. 4 Mechanicsville Fire Co. 2-Gary Lange was the winning pitcher and fanned 11. Al Pasztornyicky orbited a 3-run double. Sacred Heart 8 Raritan River Railroad 1-George Olszewski smashed a single and triple to drive in 2 runs, while winning pitcher Dave Wisniewski struck out 8. Komars 7 Raritan River Railroad 5-Dan Toye drilled 2 singles, and a double to drive in 3 runs to back winning pitcher Bill Kurpiecki. Kevin Loftus laced 3 singles and had an RBI for RRR.

1979-South Amboy Little Fellas League Lions 6 English Association 4-Winning pitcher Jim McCabe belted a double and triple. Daylight Bakery 13 Rotary 6-Winning pitcher Randy Stratton and Brian Nash hammered 4 hits apiece. First Aid 3 English Association 0-Steve Humphreys fired a no-hitter, struck out 14, and blasted a 2-run homer.

55 Years Ago

1965-St. Mary's baseball team dropped the first game of a doubleheader with Perth Amboy St. Mary's, 4-1, but bounced back in Game 2 for a 5-2 victory. Fran Fitzmorris was the winning pitcher and fanned 10, while frosh Tom "Red" Kelly and Jim Wallis stroked 2 singles apiece, and also drove in a run for the Eagles.



Pictured at a recent event are two Hoffman H.S. baseball greats, John "Skeets" Skarzynski (l) and Kevin Gorczyca (r). They were the pitcher-catcher battery mates on the legendary 1984 Hoffman Governors Group I state championship team under rookie manager George Krzyzanowski. Skarzynski, a phenomenal lefthander, was All-County, All-State, and just about All-Everything, while Gorczyca, an outstanding catcher, was drafted by the San Diego Padres Major League Baseball Club. (Photo/story by Tom Burkard)

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Martha Kowaleski Stary

Martha Kowaleski Stary, 85, of Parlin died on Wednesday April 1, 2020 at Raritan Bay Medical Center, Old Bridge.

Martha was born in South Amboy and lived most of her life in the Parlin section of Sayreville. She was married to Robert P. Stary in 1957. They have owned and operated Bob's Barber Shop in South Amboy for almost 60 years. Martha enjoyed helping Bob at the shop, listening and dancing to polka music, gardening, and baking her famous pies. Most of all, she enjoyed spending time with her family, which in addition to her husband includes her three children, Linda Conroy (Marty), Robert Jr., and Kurt, and her three grandchildren, Shana, Carl, and Ross Conroy.

Entombment in Sacred Heart Cemetery Mausoleum, Parlin was private. Arrangements were under the direction of The Gundrum Service "Home For Funerals" 237 Bordentown Avenue, South Amboy. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to one of the following charities: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital (stjude.org), 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or Mercy Center (https://mercycenternj.org), 1106 Main Street, Asbury Park, NJ 07712.

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Tricky Tray Rescheduled

Sacred Heart Church will be holding their 3rd annual tricky tray on Friday May 29, 2020. Location is Sacred Heart Memorial Hall, 531 Washington Avenue, South Amboy, NJ (across the street from the church). Doors open at 6pm and the first ticket will be drawn at 7:30pm. Cost is \$20 pp, which includes admission, coffee, tea, dessert and 6 small prize tickets with additional prize tickets being sold separately at the event. (CASH ONLY!) Or, purchase a PRE-SALE bundle package at \$55 (not available at the event) which includes admission, 1 sheet of small, medium and large prize tickets, and 1 grand prize ticket ... a \$15 savings! Bring your own food and refreshments to enjoy! Must be 18 years or older - NO MINORS/NO EXCEPTIONS! Reservations required, no walk-ins! Any questions or to reserve seating, please call the parish office at 732-721-0040 or email sheart224@aol.com. Order forms are also available at the parish offices.

The Front Porch Project
 Photos by Amy McLaughlin



The Noble family Amy, Robbie, Brian and Erin.



Ann and Stanley Jankowski



Tim and Karen Walczak

A Prayer For Health/Healing Of Healers

"May the One who blessed our ancestors Bless all those who put themselves at risk to care for the sick: physicians and nurses and orderlies, Patient transporters, hospital cleaning staff, and security guards, Technicians and home health aides, EMTs and pharmacists. And bless especially who is in need of healing. Bless those who navigate the unfolding dangers of the world each day, to tend to those they have sworn to help. Bless them in their coming home and bless them in their going out. Ease their fear. Sustain them. Source of all breath, healer of all beings, protect them and restore their hope. Strengthen them, that they may bring strength; Keep them in health, that they may bring healing. Help them know again a time when they can breathe without fear. Bless the sacred work of their hands. May this plague pass from among us, speedily and in our days! Amen."

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 -B.S..

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.) -M.S..

Happy 9th Birthday In Heaven



Anne C. "Dill" Lotkowitz
 Oct. 20, 2011 - Oct. 20, 2020

In Memoriam

Bruno Binda, 93, formerly of Parlin died on March 21. He was a former member and Chief of the Sayreville Police Academy, and also co-owner of Washington Road Superette for 30 years prior to his retirement in 1986. Chester "Chet" Wortley, 73, formerly of South Amboy died on March 23. He was the founder of Chet's 90's bar on First St. in South Amboy. Anthony Brodniak, 90, of Parlin died on March 23. He coached the Morgan-Parlin Panthers Pop Warner football team for 17 years. Albert Wistuba, 91, formerly of South Amboy died on March 26. He worked for 45 years at DuPont Parlin Photo Finishing Lab before retiring. Helen Skiba, 94, of Sayreville died on March 30. She was a waitress for 20 years at the former Step Inn Ballroom in Sayreville prior to retiring. Former Sayreville Police Officer Thomas Harvey, 78, of Sayreville died on March 31. An avid SA Times reader, Tom was a dedicated Police Officer with the Borough of Sayreville for 25 years before retiring. He was also active in the Melrose Blackhawks Drum & Bugle Corps, and was a soprano horn player for the Hawthorne Cabellos. Tom was most proud when he was inducted into the Drum & Bugle Corps Hall of Fame. He was admired and respected by all who knew him. Gary Gatyas Sr., 78, formerly of South Amboy died on April 1. Gary served the city well, and did a commendable job as Fire Chief in 1990. Martha Kowaleski Sary, 85, of Parlin died on April 1. She and her husband Bob Sary owned and operated Bob's Barber Shop in South Amboy for almost 60 years. James Keegan, 65, formerly of South Amboy died on April 2. He graduated from Hoffman HS Class of '72, and was one of the star players on their powerhouse basketball team. Jim was a Neptune Police officer until he was injured in the line of duty, and went on to work for nearly 25 years as the security/attendance officer at Freehold HS. He was a great guy and talented athlete. Pearl Kelly, 82, of Sayreville died on April 6. She worked as a Crossing Guard for the Borough of Sayreville for many years. Keith Manion, 68, of South Amboy died on April 8. Keith worked at IFF before retiring. He was an avid sports fan, who enjoyed coaching Little League baseball. He was a lefty pitcher for the Oak View Nursing Home team in the South Amboy Babe Ruth League back in '66, and one of the really good guys, and will be missed. Therese "Terry" O'Connor, 65, of Morgan died on April 13. She was a wonderful person, a Eucharistic Minister at St. Mary's, and an excellent softball player in the early years of the South Amboy Women's Slow Pitch Softball League from 1976-78. Stephen Makwinski, 90, of the Melrose section of Sayreville died on April 13. He was a Korean War veteran, and also served for many years as a volunteer firefighter with the Melrose Fire Co.

Obituaries

Baker, Alan R., 77, of Parlin died on April 15.
 Binda, Bruno, 93, formerly of Parlin died on March 21.
 Borkowski, Mary, 100, of Sayreville died on April 6.
 Bratsano, Leonidas "Lou," 65, of Sayreville died on March 31.
 Brodniak, Anthony J., 90, of Parlin died March 23.
 Caruso, Peter M., 79, of Sayreville died on April 12.
 Coyle, John Sr., 83, of Sayreville died on April 14.
 Cunha, Steve, 56, formerly of Sayreville died on April 4.
 De Chiara, Vincent A. "Vinnie," 88, formerly of Sayreville died on March 26.
 De Rose, Norma, 96, of Parlin died on March 25.
 Eppinger, Peter, 80, of Sayreville died on April 13.
 Gallagher, Donald M., 87, of Parlin died on April 3.
 Gatyas, Gary J. Sr., 78, formerly of South Amboy died on April 1.
 Giordano, RoseAnn, 75, formerly of South Amboy died on April 15.
 Grabowski, John J. 93, of Parlin died on April 3.
 Harvey, Thomas J., 78, of Sayreville died on March 31.
 Horvath, Aelred J., 87, of South Amboy died on April 13.
 Keegan, James E., 65, formerly of South Amboy died on April 2.
 Kelly, Pearl Golaszewski, 82, of Sayreville died on April 6.
 Kenny, Michael P., 69, formerly of Sayreville died on March 13.
 Kinard, Jacqueline A., 73, of Morgan died on April 8.
 Lapinski, David S., 76, of Parlin died on April 7.
 Lesniak, Violet, 91, of Sayreville died on March 22.
 Lewis, France, 90, of Sayreville died on April 1.
 Makwinski, Stephen, 90, of Melrose died on April 13.
 Manion, Keith A., 68, of South Amboy died on April 8.
 Miroslaw, Chris, 51, of Parlin died on April 4.
 O'Connor, Therese "Terry," 65, of South Amboy died on April 13.
 Pawlowski, Felix, 83, formerly of South Amboy died on March 28.
 Pawlowski, Walter, 76, of Sayreville died on April 9.
 Petrozzi, Carmella R., 84, of Parlin died on March 28.
 Phillips, Joan Kaczmarek, 87, of South Amboy died on April 9.
 Pysno, Jean, 95, of Sayreville died on March 25.
 Rodriguez, Lydia, 91, of Sayreville died on March 21.
 Shafran, Jerry, 69, of Sayreville died on March 29.
 Skiba, Helen A., 94, of Sayreville died on March 30.
 Smigelsky, Walter N., 81, of Sayreville died on April 15.
 Sary, Martha Kowaleski, 85, of Parlin died on April 1.
 Steckert, George P., 83, of Sayreville died on March 31.
 Utter, Keith W., 65, of South Amboy died on March 29.
 Wilson, Emily, 96, formerly of Sayreville/South Amboy died on April 10.
 Wistuba, Albert, 91, formerly of South Amboy died on March 26.
 Wolk, Hope Bright, 85, of Sayreville died on April 15.
 Wortley, Chester D., 73, formerly of South Amboy died on March 23.
 Ziobro, Wanda Labenski, 96, of Parlin died on April 10.

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 -L.P.

Anthony J. Priolo



**10 Years In Heaven
 April 24, 2010**

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School Days... (Photos/Info Submitted)

The administration, faculty and staff at area schools collaborated and created a video for their students with signs of hope and encouragement during their time away from the school.



Principal Elena Malinconico greets her St. Stan's students and families daily on Facebook during Distance Learning days.



South Amboy resident Caitlyn Norek goes over a lesson on Earth Day with her Perth Amboy Catholic 4th grade students.



This South Amboy Pre-K student along with his classmates were able to interact with their teacher Ms. Marci Oks through the use of "ZOOM".



St. Stan's kindergarten student, Briella Delgado, finishes online lessons and then practices her new math skills with IXL modules.

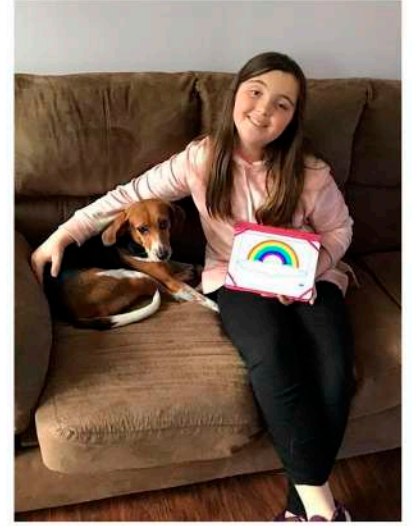
St. Stan's third grade student, Liliana Rios, is reading a card she made for healthcare workers as her teacher, Mrs. Lisa Grover, video tapes her, thanking them for their work.

Virtual Spirit Week

The South Amboy PTO held a virtual spirit week for elementary school students while they were learning at home. The winners are shown below. (Photos/Info Submitted)



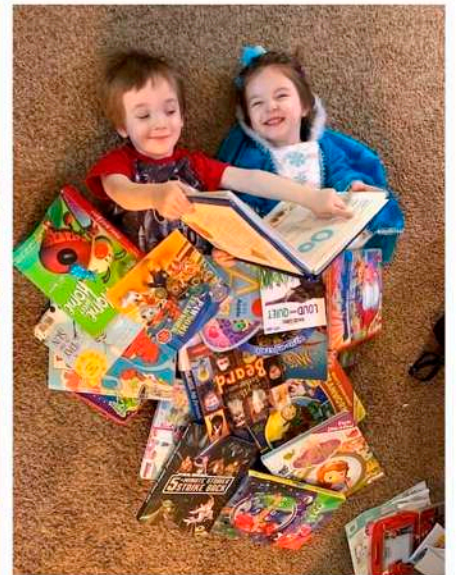
PJ Day - Myles Torres



Rainbow Day - Mary Thomas



Purple and Gold Day Abby (r) and Joey Rowley (l)



Read Across SA Day Ryder Stratton (l) and his sister Aurora (r).



Super Hero Day Antonella K. Mori



St. Stan's sixth grade student, Robert Grover, is ready to deliver food to the Sayreville Police Department for the Senior Citizens.

