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## Restaurant Equippers Opens New Store In Pennsauken At The Point

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

Restaurant Equippers, the fastest growing mass merchandiser of restaurant equipment and supplies in the country, opened its third-ever warehouse store right here in Pennsauken with an official ribbon cutting in July. The 42,000-square-foot store, which represents the company's

first location in the Greater Philadelphia area, is located at The Point, a 118,000-square-foot mixed use complex located at the intersection of Routes 38 and 70 near the old Airport Circle.

Mayor Rick Taylor, Terry Carr from Pennsauken's Department of Economic Development, and Tim Ellis, Chairperson of Pennsauken's Business, Industry and Government Council were on hand to help welcome Pennsauken's newest business.

"I just want to thank Restaurant Equippers," says Pennsauken Mayor Rick Taylor. "Once again, another business is investing in our town. We really appreciate it. With all the restaurants in this area, they should do plenty of business."

"We're very excited to have Restaurant Equippers open its doors right here in

Pennsauken," adds Tim Ellis, B.I.G. Council chairperson. "It's great that companies realize how business-friendly Pennsauken is."

Restaurant Equippers Chief Marketing Officer Howard Task spoke about the company's decision to move to Pennsauken. "We're looking to strategically place stores across the country. We already have customers in the region and felt that the Pennsauken location was really easy for people to get to."

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Restaurant Equippers, the fastest growing mass merchandiser of restaurant equipment and supplies in the country, opened its warehouse store in Pennsauken with a ribbon cutting ceremony in July. From left to right: Scott Sugarman, Restaurant Equippers President Larry Dach, Pennsauken Mayor Rick Taylor, Restaurant Equippers Vice President Debbi Sugarman, and B.I.G. Council Chairperson Tim Ellis.

## Updates Needed For Business Directory

In the past several months, the B.I.G. Council received several e-mails from businesses requesting that their company be added or moved to another category for the Pennsauken-Merchantville Business Directory. The B.I.G. Council appreciates their help in making the directory as up-to-date as possible, particularly as it prepares to put together the 2014 edition.

In order to provide the most accurate directory of businesses and organizations in our community, the B.I.G. Council needs additional feedback from local residents and business owners.

Was your podiatrist in Pennsauken missing? Your mechanic in Merchantville? Do you have a brand new business in town, or just changed your office number? Please e-mail updates for the Pennsauken-Merchantville Business Directory to BIG-CouncilPennsauken@gmail.com. Any help you can provide to insure that everyone knows about all the great businesses in our community.



## Scouts Put On Capes, Adopt Hero Theme For 2013-2014 Year

They may not be able to leap over tall buildings in a single bound, or run faster than a speeding bullet, but the boys and young men who enter the Scouting program in Pennsauken evolve into heroes.

What are the characteristics of a hero? Trustworthiness? Loyalty? Helpfulness? Friendliness? Kindness? Bravery? Add courteous, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, clean and reverent, and you've got the Scout Law, by which the boys are taught to live. Add their oath: "Do my best to do my duty to

Scouts from Cub Pack 116 and Boy Scout Troop 118 are helping boys and young men become "heroes in training."

God and my country, and help other people at all times..." and it sounds like rules taken from the "hero handbook."

Cub Scout Pack 116 is for boys kindergarten through fifth grade; Boy Scout Troop 118 welcomes all young men ages 11-17 who are willing to sign on the become "heroes in training." They learn skills that will help them through life: cooking, first aid, orienteering, map and compass (in case the GPS batteries die). They learn about different cultures and beliefs. Both the Pack and Troop have boys for different religions and ethnic backgrounds. There

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**MAYOR'S****CORNER****Mayor Rick Taylor**

By Rick Taylor,  
Mayor of  
Pennsauken  
Township

In this month's column, I'd like to address the concerns of some of our residents regarding the "problem" properties they have in their neighborhood. You've most likely seen them around town or may even have one on your block: a home in a state of extreme disrepair, where the grass is too high; trash litters the property or junk piles up in the backyard; stray cats make their home in a disheveled shed; or a dilapidated fence along the property line is an accident just waiting to happen. Many times these properties are vacant. Other times, these homes are occupied

by individuals unwilling or unable to correct the situation.

I want our residents to know that your complaints are not falling on deaf ears. Pennsauken Township is very much aware of these homes. In fact, we have a list of problem properties that we review on a regular basis in an attempt to address the situation. Our Property Maintenance officials continually reach out to property owners to clean up their homes, using written warnings, fines and court appearances.

But I think that many people have a misconception of what we as a Township can do to apply pressure to people to clean up these homes. First off, many of these properties are unoccupied, their owners living thousands of miles away with no intention of coming to Pennsauken to address these problems. Other homes are owned by banks or other companies which

are either out of state, or are spreading their resources over dozens of properties, not just in Pennsauken, but all over New Jersey. For these unoccupied homes, the Township has hired a third party contractor to mow these often unkempt lawns; the cost of this service is then placed as tax lien against the property. For those absentee property owners that we are in contact with, it's simply easier for them to pay the tax lien, as opposed to taking ownership of the problem and taking additional steps to fix it.

What's worse, some residents who do live in these homes and receive numerous tickets refuse to pay them, fail to show up for their court appearance and don't care that they have been served with a bench warrant. Of course, if these individuals get pulled over as part of a routine traffic stop, they may be singing a different tune, as they will be arrested on the spot.

My heart really does go out to our residents who have problem properties right next door. The Township Committee does hear from many of you, and we do very much appreciate those neighbors who do what they can to help keep their block clean. We also know that there are certain cases where neighbors are at their wit's end and the situation is dire; where the problem property is such a nuisance that the Township has no choice but to take more extreme steps to remove an individual from the property, condemn the house and relocate that resident. But please know that these cases are very rare. In fact, the Township has only done this one time in the last six years and we only consider this option in the most drastic of situations.

As you can see in the news, we are not the only municipality trying to figure out

how to best address these problem properties and hold home owners accountable for the eyesores they are creating in our community. As towns begin to implement new, different programs, we will take a look at their results and see if there's anything that Pennsauken can do in the future to enhance our current efforts. In the meantime, our Property Maintenance inspectors will continue to canvas our Township to make sure that all properties, whether residential or commercial, are being properly maintained, so that Pennsauken's neighborhoods can be clean, attractive, and appealing for both visitors and residents. It's always been our goal to make Pennsauken a great place to come home to; I, as well as the entire Township Committee, truly appreciate your efforts to help us do just that.

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**Mt. Laurel - Country Living**

This 4 bedroom, 3 baths Masonry Rancher on 3 acres is conveniently located near Rt 295 and Rt 38. Features 27' x 16' great room with fireplace, kitchen needs updating and TLC. Public water and sewer. \$270,000

**Pennsauken - Chadwick**

Huge 3 bedroom, 1 and a half bath on a quiet, meticulously maintained cul-de-sac. 18x32 in-ground pool with diving board and slide in fenced-in yard. Hot tub seats 6. New roof, exterior paint, huge expanded kitchen addition, granite counter tops, deck off kitchen (refurb '09), new deck lights, new elect lines for pool, Pella windows. New w/w carpet throughout, sprinkler system. Huge family room with ceiling massive brick fireplace opens onto spacious covered patio. \$249,900

**Cherry Hill - Immaculate Split Level**

This home features 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths with attached over sized 1 car garage. Foyer entrance w/slate floor; large L/R w/vaulted ceiling, custom built bookcases and decorative mantle; D/R w/pass through to large eat-in-kitchen, spacious den w/double door to patio area; all new powder room on lower level w/den; nice sized master bedroom w/3 closets and entrance into main bath; 3 season sun room in rear overlooking the back yard; 24'x 24' dry basement w/built-in shelving. Custom hardwood doors. \$218,000

**Pennsauken - Collins Tract**

Nice-sized home in Collins tract, quiet treed street, detached garage w/3-car driveway, patio 15x12 to nice backyard, partially fenced. Shingled roof- fall 2011, windows 2002, vinyl siding. Porch leading to living room w/brick fireplace, then dining room, kitchen w/nook to family room, 3 bedrooms upstairs, master w/computer/nursery/reading room, master has nice-sized walk-in closet. \$179,850

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## AUGUST CALENDAR

### Free Rabies Clinic

Pennsauken Township, the Camden County Board of Freeholders and the Animal Welfare Association are hosting a free rabies clinic for cats and dogs of Pennsauken residents, Saturday, August 3 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Pennsauken

Community Recreation Complex, Bethel and Westfield avenues. In addition, low-cost services, such as distemper/parvo vaccines, microchipping, dog licenses and more will be available for purchase. First come, first served. For more information, call 856-665-1000.

### Health Awareness/Community Day

The Save Shirley Project is hosting a health awareness and community day, Saturday, August 3 at the Pennsauken Community Recreation Complex, Bethel and Westfield avenues, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event features family-friendly entertainment and workshops that promote the importance of a healthy, organic diet. For more information, e-mail [saveshirleyproject@gmail.com](mailto:saveshirleyproject@gmail.com).

### Antique Fire Apparatus Show

The Cradle of Liberty Antique Fire Apparatus Association (CLAFAA) will be hosting an antique fire apparatus show August 3 from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Cooper River Park. Featuring old and modern fire apparatus, antique ambulances, police vehicles and tow trucks. There will also be a fire service-related flea market, fire safety displays, activities for children and food and refreshments. For more information, visit [CLAFAA.org](http://CLAFAA.org).

### Yard Sale

The Townhomes at Fairways II, Orchard and Connecticut avenues, will be hosting a yard sale on Saturday, Aug. 10 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Rain date is Aug. 17. Clothes, rugs, children's toys, bicycles, furniture, lamps, shoes, dishes, glasses, novelty items and much more, will be offered. For more information, call Linda at (856) 661-9754.

### EDITOR'S PICK: Opera In The Park

The Camden County Board of Freeholders present "Opera In The Park" on Thursday, Aug. 15 at 8 p.m. Held at Cooper River Park at Jack Curtis Stadium on North Park Dr., the performance stars tenor Frank Tenaglia with special guests Jim Longacre and Dorothy Cardella. The event is free to the public, and seniors are eligible for preferred seating at the event, as well as a "Just For Seniors" VIP reception at the Camden County Boathouse, 7050 North Park Dr. from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Preferred senior seating is on a first come, first served basis and an RSVP for both the preferred seating and reception is required. To RSVP or for additional information, contact Tom at (856) 858-2986 or [tcstellano@camdencounty.com](mailto:tcstellano@camdencounty.com).

### Community Event Where Everything Is Free Held On August 17

Living Faith Christian Center, 2323 Rt. 73, Pennsauken, invites residents to leave their money at home and join them for their "What's Mine Is Yours: Caring Is Sharing," themed event, where everything is free.

The event, held on church grounds on Saturday, Aug. 17 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., features giveaways including free clothing, household items, toys, furniture, backpacks, haircuts, and food. In addition, kids can enjoy face painting, moon bounces, hot dogs, popcorn, and more.

Local officials expected to be on-hand to participate in the festivities and greet the anticipated crowd are Pennsauken Mayor Rick Taylor, Pennsauken School Superintendent Marilyn Martinez, and a host of other invited guests.

"Our ministry has always been dedicated and sensitive to the needs of our local community," Senior Pastor Constance McLean, said. "This year's event is a result of our continuing passion to ensure the wellbeing of the people within the community we serve."

For more information, visit [LFCCNJ.com](http://LFCCNJ.com).

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## PENNSAUKEN AUGUST PUBLIC MEETINGS

**Township Committee:**  
5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, August 7 and 21

**Zoning Board of Adjustment:**  
7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 7 and 21

**Planning Board:**  
6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 6 and 27

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



## From Bakeries To The Great Beyond, Pennsauken Makes It To Reality TV

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

From "Ace Of Cakes" to "The X Factor," reality television is all the rage. And as you flip through the seemingly endless string of available channels, you may have come across some programming that highlights Pennsauken residents.

### A Bakery With Some Pennsauken Flavor

DiBartolo's Bakery was featured on a recent episode of "Save My Bakery," a show on The Cooking Channel, "a new cable network for food people by food people." And while you'll find DiBartolo's along Haddon Ave. in Collingswood, Al DiBartolo Sr. and his wife, Chris, two of the proprietors of this very family-oriented business, have made their home in Pennsauken for over 40 years. Their son, Al, Jr., who runs the day-to-day operations of the bakery, grew up in town and is a graduate of Pennsauken High School.

In each episode of "Save My Bakery" renowned Cake Maestro Kerry Vincent helps give a bakery in need of some assistance a makeover from the inside out.

Vincent, portrayed as the "Simon Cowell of the baking world" for the cameras, is "very sweet, but meticulous," according to Al DiBartolo, Jr. "She sampled everything. Overall, we got a pretty good report."

And while Kerry only had minor suggestions for the cookies, cakes, and pastries made daily at DiBartolo's, she offered some very helpful insight that only a fresh perspective can provide.

"Her issue, and she was right, was about presentation; just simple, different ways to package things. She was another set of eyes, to help me see something that was right in front of me all this time."

The bakery's look also received a much-needed overhaul, and the results were almost instantaneous.

"Since we had this remodel, it hasn't stopped," explains DiBartolo, Jr. "I get all new traffic in. Even though it's great



DiBartolo's Bakery, the Collingswood bakery with Pennsauken roots, recently received a make-over from The Cooking Channel's "Save My Bakery." Pictured here are Al DiBartolo, Sr. and Al DiBartolo, Jr.

to be open that long, 44 years, you get stagnant. And some people pass you by. This was a way to really attract new blood."

"The things they came up with, I thought they were right on target," adds DiBartolo, Sr. "The store was outdated. I didn't see what the modern trend is and they brought it to my attention. It does make the store pop out."

And while you'll find this recent

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By Robert Fisher-Hughes  
AAP Columnist and Amateur Historian

## Princess Royal: A Tale Of The Sea And Civil War With A Local Connection

### LOOKING BACK IN HISTORY

There are times when a seemingly ordinary object on a familiar landscape unexpectedly beckons us to take a historical voyage, and when that happens, who knows where it may take us; perhaps to another era or half-way around the world.

In Pennsauken's Bethel Cemetery, in Section D, there is a lot reserved for members of the Shivers family. The Shivers family goes far back in the history of our area, as far as the early colonial era, when members of that family were involved in building Haddonfield. In later years, the Shivers family was well-known for distinguished members of the medical

profession. The Shivers family also intermarried with many prominent early families of our locality, such as the Rudderow clan. The Shivers' lot in Bethel Cemetery was owned by Susannah Shivers, who came from the Horner family of local fame as landowners and farmers in early Pennsauken and East Camden.

One small stone in the Shivers plot, barely decipherable after decades of weathering, reads as follows:

Charles Shivers, Jr.  
Surgeon Steward  
U.S.S. Princess Royal  
Died Dec. 10, 1901  
Aged 57 Years



A small marker stone in a Pennsauken cemetery speaks volumes of a voyage from Glasgow to the Gulf of Mexico to the Far East and from trade to smuggling to civil war and foreign massacre.

This weathered marker places our local hero on a ship that boasts one of the most checkered of histories, both during and after the American Civil War in which he served.

The Princess Royal did not commence its maritime career as a warship, nor was it an American vessel at its christening. The Princess Royal was built at Glasgow, Scotland during 1860-61. She was a 200-foot-long, 28-foot-tall steamship with an iron hull and a screw propeller, intended for a shipping service out of Liverpool. However, she was destined for a far more interesting career.

By 1863, the United States had been embroiled in its terrible Civil War for two years. One key to the Union strategy was to use a naval blockade to cut off the Confederate states from needed supplies, especially war materials, from foreign sources. Among the major nations

commercially interested in the success of the Confederacy was Great Britain. A shipping company connected to the Confederacy identified the Princess Royal as a possible blockade runner to slip through the U.S. Navy cordon with needed supplies.

In January 1863, the Princess Royal attempted to enter Charleston Harbor, bearing machine parts and engines to power Confederate ironclad warships. Slow and heavily laden, the Princess Royal was soon spotted and Union warships opened fire and ran her aground. Most of her crew escaped, except for a few English sailors under hire. These English sailors were now pressed into service to take the captured ship north to be sold as a prize.

The Princess Royal was purchased for service in the U.S. Navy. By the middle of 1863, the former blockade runner was sailing as a cruiser in the navy that was enforcing the blockade. She was now the U.S.S. Princess Royal, and she served mostly in the Gulf of Mexico, off the Texas coast.

Charles Shivers must have served aboard the Princess Royal around 1863. Though aged 19 or 20, he would presumably been well-suited to his role on the ship by his family's medical background. The surgeon's steward was the principal assistant to the medical officer and carried out a wide range of supporting duties in caring for the crew members who fell ill, suffered injury, or were wounded

in battle. The surgeon's steward was considered to be ranked second among a ship's petty officers, behind the master-at-arms.

During its career in the U.S. Navy, the Princess Royal captured or destroyed a number of Confederate blockade runners. Her mission in the Gulf of Mexico included intercepting international shipping sailing from Mexico with cargos of Confederate cotton and returning with supplies for the Rebels. In 1863 the U.S.S. Princess Royal captured the blockade runners Atlantic and Flying Scud. Unfortunately, the Atlantic was later recaptured by members of her former crew who had been pressed into service to assist the prize crew from the Princess Royal to sail her north.

In November 1864, the U.S.S. Princess Royal reported that she had captured the British schooner Flash with a cargo of cotton and also the schooner Neptune, whose cargo of salt had, according to the ship's captain, "simply dissolved."

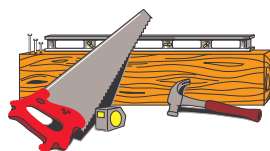
The U.S.S. Princess Royal is also known to have been involved in an incident in which she turned her cannons on enemy cavalry on shore in Louisiana.

Among other exploits in 1865, the Princess Royal participated in the destruction of the blockade running steamers Denbigh and Will-o-the-Wisp. Her last prize capture was the schooner Anna Sophia, bearing a shipment of cotton, in

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## BIG Council's August Meeting Highlights Importance Of Networking

The Business, Industry, and Government Council of Pennsauken Township will hear from Joseph Semptimphelter, president of the Marlton Business Association, during its August meeting, held at Colleen's at the Savoy, 1444 Rt. 73 North, Pennsauken, on Wednesday, Aug. 14 at 8:15 a.m.

Semptimphelter will speak about the importance of networking and helping local companies do more business. There will also be a question and answer session after the presentation.

"When first speaking with Joe, we were really impressed how the Marlton Business Association has recently grown from 25 paid members to over 200 participating members," explains Tim Ellis, B.I.G. Council chairperson. "If we want our organization to continue to help both local businesses and our community, we need to grow. The best way to do that is to look at other successful models, like the Marlton Business Association, and see what can work for the B.I.G. Council."

Tickets are \$20 per person. To attend this informative meeting, RSVP to Terry Carr at 856-665-1000, Extension 153 or [tcarr@twp.pennsauken.nj.us](mailto:tcarr@twp.pennsauken.nj.us) by

Monday, Aug. 12.

### Learning How To SCORE BIG

At the B.I.G. Council's July meeting, members learned about free resources to help them grow their business from Bob Wolk, a top career coach from SCORE, a free service staffed by senior executives and funded by the SBA.

"SCORE is a wonderful entity for a lot of folks who want to give back to others who are starting a business, growing a business, buying a business, etc. That's what a lot of us a SCORE do, we help folks," explains Wolk.

SCORE assists entrepreneurs looking

start or grow their business. Mentors who volunteer for the organization help with everything from incorporation assistance, business planning, funding, marketing, operations, and more. SCORE also provides ongoing seminars, training and support services.

For more information about the local SCORE chapter, or to request some free face time with a mentor, visit [SCOREPhila.org](http://SCOREPhila.org).

### Revving Up For Car And Bike Show

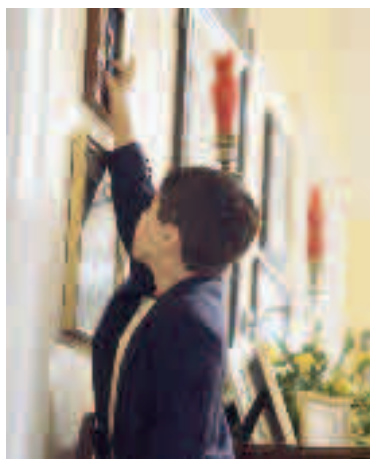
The Business, Industry, and Government Council encourages residents to cruise on down for the 21st annual

Pennsauken Township Car and Bike Show. Held on Sunday, Sept. 22 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., hundreds of antique, classic and custom cars and motorcycles will line Maple Ave. from the bridge to Union Ave. In addition, this year's event features a craft fair in the parking lot of Pinsetter Bar & Bowl, 7111 Maple Ave.

Registration for the car and bike show, as well as the craft fair, is currently ongoing. There are also sponsorship levels still available for local businesses interested in supporting this great community event. For more information, visit [PennsaukenCarShow.com](http://PennsaukenCarShow.com).

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## Job Fair On August 27

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## BIG Council Breakfast Meeting

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## Pennsauken Lions Install New President, Plan For Upcoming Year

Mary Anne McFarland was installed as the president of the Pennsauken Lions Club at a recent meeting. In her inaugural address, McFarland announced the revitalization of some older Lions projects and the introduction of some newer ones.

"The Pennsauken Lions had been doing Amblyopia Screening for Preschool children, now being called the Lit-

tle Eyes Program, for many years, but in recent times, we have been unable to continue this valuable project. I'd like to see us bring this program back, possibly working with another service organization or with some community volunteers," says McFarland.

The Lions have also been collecting eye glasses in the white "mail box" which can be found at the entrance to the Mu-

nicipal Building and Library complex. Through this box, the Lions Club collects hundreds of pairs of old eyeglasses. McFarland challenged the club members to increase their collection rate by 25 percent. In order to facilitate this increase, the Lions will be asking eye care professionals and eye glass providers permission to place a special collection box in their offices; club members will make

routine visits to collect the donated glasses. These eye glasses are then sent to a Lions International center, where they are examined for their refractive prescription and then sent to a distribution center where they wait to be given to a needy person.

Another proposed project is "Our World, Our Future," which is this year's theme for the 26th annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest. Open to 11-13 year olds, contest participants draw a poster incorporating the theme by the end of October; the clubs picks a winner

and submits the poster to be judged at the district level. That winning poster is then submitted to the state competition; ultimately, a poster is chosen for judging on an international level.

Twenty-three merit award winners will receive a \$500 prize and the international grand prize winner would receive a \$5000 cash award, a commemorative plaque, and a trip to the United Nations.

Yet another Lions Program McFarland would like the club to adopt is the Young Leaders in Service Awards, which

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## Princess Royal: A Tale Of The Sea And Civil War With A Local Connection

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Galveston Bay in February, 1865.

As the Civil War came to a close, the U.S.S. Princess Royal was no longer needed. She was decommissioned at Philadelphia and sold.

Presumably, the naval career of Surgeon's Steward Charles Shivers also concluded with the end of the rebellion. More research will hopefully tell us more about his life and subsequent career before tak-

ing up residence in Bethel Cemetery.

However, the saga of the Princess Royal had not yet reached its climax. Sold to a private owner, the ship was renamed "General Sherman," and sent to take part in trade in China. Here, she developed a somewhat unsavory reputation, participating in Western exploitation of civil strife dividing China.

At last, in 1866, the former Princess Royal was chosen by a group of Ameri-

can entrepreneurs to attempt to make trade contact with the closed and forbidding kingdom of Korea. Sailing up the coast of the Korean peninsula and then up the Daedong River, the Americans made unsuccessful efforts to negotiate with this very ancient and very alien culture, while ill-advisedly continuing to steam deeper into its heart. At last, the Korean authorities rejected the American overtures and ordered them to leave.

However, the tide had left the ship stranded in the meantime. Rising tensions led to shots and cannon fire and the use of traditional Korean weapons such as spears, swords and stone throwing. In the end, the tiny crew of the General Sherman was overwhelmed and massacred to the last man. The ship was burned.

It took years for the U.S. government to obtain a full account of the disappearance of the former Princess Royal and her destruction. Among subsequent events that arose from this incident was an American naval force destroying a number of Korean forts in an attack in 1871. Nevertheless, the United States became the first Western nation to enter into

diplomatic relations with Korea in 1882.

So a small marker stone in a Pennsauken cemetery can take us on a voyage from Glasgow to the Gulf of Mexico to the Far East and from trade to smuggling to civil war and foreign massacre. Even our own local history is filled with stories of great events, adventures and tragedies if we make the connections and follow.

Sources for this article include:

*Official Record of the Union and Confederate Navies in the War*, numerous websites, including *United States Navy*, *The Naval Historical Center*, *"Avenging The General Sherman: The 1871 Battle of Kang Hwa Do," Bruce E. Bechtol Jr.*, and *the Florida Conference of Historians*.



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### Ice Skating

The Learn-to-Ice-Skate camp will be held at the Flyers Skate Zone on River Rd. Children ages 2-17 will learn basic skating techniques for figure skating or hockey. The program is offered from 8:45 to 10 a.m. Aug. 12-16. Cost is \$35 per child. Skates are available for free if needed.

### Theater

The Creative Theater Class returns again from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Aug. 5-9 at the Delair School on Derousse Ave. Children, ages 7-15, will learn stage movement, vocal projection, character study and improvisational games. They will create their own story and perform it on video for friends and family on the last day of class. The cost is \$50 per week and is operated by the Pennsauken Youth Summer Theater Program.

### For Adults

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Parks and Recreation accepts membership applications and fees for the 2013 pool season. The pool is open to Pennsauken and Merchantville residents only and all applicants must provide a photo ID, current utility bill and birth certificate and report card for children. The pool will be open from noon to 8 p.m. daily. Pool fees and other information are available through the Pennsauken Parks and Recreation Department.

### To Register

Registration for most summer programs is at the Pennsauken Municipal Building, Route 130 and Merchantville Avenue. Forms are available at the municipal building from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. A program listing and downloadable registration form is available at [www.twp.pennsauken.nj.us](http://www.twp.pennsauken.nj.us). For more information, e-mail [emartz@twp.pennsauken.nj.us](mailto:emartz@twp.pennsauken.nj.us) or call (856) 665-1000 x151.



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### Thanking Those Who Served And Serving Those In Need



On July 4, residents took an opportunity to thank U.S. soldiers serving overseas by creating cards and pictures at the Pennsauken Police Department.

Firefighters, their families, and friends gathered at the Pennsauken Country Club for the fifth annual George S. Figueroa Sr. Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament.



The Safady family, owners of J&O Fabrics and Imagine Lifestyles Car Rentals, recently received a proclamation from Township Committee for their many contributions to Pennsauken's business community.



Pennsauken's leaf composting facility was renamed in tribute to Jim Scheffler, a one-time Superintendent of Pennsauken's Public Works department who was the driving force in the facility's development.



Guest bartender Jack Killion and a certain jolly fellow helped Pennsauken residents celebrate Christmas in July at 45th Street Pub. This special event raised funds for Pennsauken's Holiday Parade and Angel Tree Program.



### A Thank You To Pennsauken From The Forrest Family

To everyone who has supported us following the death of Officer Steven Forrest, we would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation. Your many acts of kindness and sympathy continue to be a great comfort to us in our time of sorrow. This sudden and devastating loss has changed our lives forever, but the support shown to us has been a blessing. We would like to give a special thank you to FOP Garden State Lodge #3, Chief Coffey and the Pennsauken Police Department,

Mayor Taylor and Pennsauken Township Administrators and Staff, Pennsauken Fire Department, Pennsauken EMS, Merchantville Police Department, Niagra Fire Department, Inglesby & Sons, Troy's Place and the doctors and nurses at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital ICU Department. Your constant vigilance, support, care, and showing of solidarity for a fallen brother and friend has been immeasurable and we cannot thank you enough.

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## GRAYMATTERS

### Living In The Now While Still Fondly Remembering The Past

By Judith Kristen, AAP Columnist

Never has an August gone by when someone hasn't reminded me about that famous Shea Stadium concert The Beatles gave to 56,000 screaming fans (yours truly included) way back on August 15, 1965.

And while some people will say and think, "Ah, come on; that was almost 50 years ago. Give it a rest!" But for those of us who loved The "Fab Four" back then as teenagers, and who love them still to this day, the memory of that night is something that never fails to bring a smile to our faces. Joy is joy; it's as simple as that!

My diary entry following that concert 48 years ago recalls that when John, Paul, George, and Ringo walked into the stadium heading toward the stage, that I had never seen so many flashbulbs go off in my entire life.

The then seventeen-year-old "me" described it as, "It looked like a million stars flew into the stadium."

There's magic in that visual, even if you weren't there.

And that's the thing about wonderful memories. MAGIC!

Oh, I know there are a few thousand books out there reminding us about living in the present. That the past is gone, the future is uncertain, so "Live in the NOW!" I agree with that to a certain extent. But I'm talking about looking back on happy memories every now and then in exchange for not ruminating and rehashing the past ugliness of life.

Living a good and joyful "In the Now"

will automatically become a happy yesterday, and a happy last week, a happy last month, year, decade, and eventually a happy life.

Those happy days will create not only a nicer life for you, but for everyone who spends time around you.

Those positive old times can give you tremendous hope when the down side of life decides to drop by for a visit. A happy memory always lingers when something joyful happens to us ... and the wonderful by-product of such is that its goodness never completely "unhappens."

I'm reminded of a quote by Margaret Fairless Barber from "The Roadmender," a Christian spiritual book written way back in 1902: "To look backward for a while is to refresh the eye, to restore it, and to render it the more fit for its prime function of looking forward."

For those who joke and think I'm the oldest, silliest Pollyanna on earth, that's okay. My own cousin once bought me a cup that read, "Nostalgia isn't what it used to be," and I got a good giggle out of it myself.

But I'm sticking by my story and you can multiply that by at least 56,000. Just ask anyone who was at Shea that night.

Okay... now sing it with me: "Oh, I believe in yesterday."

Peace and Love and Happy memory making.

~Judy

For more information on Judith and her published work, visit [JudithKristen.com](http://JudithKristen.com).

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## Howard M. Phifer Middle School Ready To Begin New Year

The administration, teachers and staff at Phifer Middle School would like to welcome both returning and new families to an exciting school year. We look forward to working with you and your children to make the upcoming school year a rewarding experience.

Principal Logan reports that the middle school is organized into three wings, and six teams, which provides a smaller learning community concept for our students. Each grade is administered by an assistant principal, whose office is located within one of the wings.

Our school information package, containing important dates and times will be mailed in late August. School will reopen for a full day on Friday, Sept. 6. Also, please join us for our Back to School Night on Sept. 24, from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Enjoy the rest of your summer!

**Visit our Web Site**  
**[www.pennsauken.net](http://www.pennsauken.net)**

## Delair Prepares For Students To Head Back To School

As September nears, Delair's faculty and staff are looking forward to the beginning of a new school year.

The building is ready for the arrival of its enthusiastic learners and dedicated teachers. The office is involved with registering new students and creating innovative programs for the 2013-2014 school year.

Delair School housed the elementary summer school program. Students were busy learning and participating in their classes.

Principal Slater is again looking forward to working with the faculty, students, parents, and community members.

Plans are underway, with the help and cooperation of many people, for a very successful school year, filled with a great deal of learning and exciting events.

As in the past, the Delair School PTA will play an important role in the vitality

## Roosevelt Elementary School Ready to Open

Principal Lawrence hopes that the summer months were fun, relaxing, and filled with many learning experiences. She looks forward to this school year becoming an extension of that summer fun through some exciting and new challenges as we embark upon another wonderful school year.

The staff at Roosevelt Elementary School is here to foster a positive and safe environment that places heavy emphasis on the value of learning. Learning experiences and activities will be meaningful and challenging to all students. In addition, classroom activities will be focused on student involvement and a hands-on approach to learning.

The staff of Roosevelt Elementary is excited about the plans for the upcoming school year and looks forward to working with all the students and their families as we strive to make the school year a successful experience for everyone. We also look forward to greeting everyone at "Back To School Night" on Wednesday, Sept. 18 at 6:30 p.m.

of the school, sponsoring and organizing many events during the school year. The PTA, under the direction of PTA President, Mrs. Tammy Tuvell, will continue its close relationship with the school, helping with events, such as the book fair, game nights, Field Day, and assemblies.

Children are reminded to please continue their summer reading and complete the Elementary Summer Reading Program. This program is a requirement for the students and they will receive a grade for their participation.

To all our Delair families, we wish you a continued relaxing and safe summer and look forward to seeing you in September. It is our sincere desire for all of your children to have a wonderful year, learn all that they can, and be the best that they can be.

## Franklin School Reviews Spring Events, Looks Forward To New School Year

Principal Lewis hopes that everyone is in good spirits as we enjoy the warm summer days, along with a timely dose of rain.

A review of our spring events begins with the Spring Concert. This was an outstanding performance by our fourth graders. Each group was exciting and worked well with their director.

In addition, we enjoyed the District wide concert that was a huge success enjoyed by all. The PHS auditorium overflowed with proud parents and family.

The month of June was event filled. It included our Franklin Awards Day, held at Ben Franklin in the all purpose room. The crowd was full with family and friends, as students were recognized for their tremendous efforts.

Also, we enjoyed our annual Alex's Lemonade penny wars sponsored by the student council. This is always a fun time and great way to raise funds for a worthy cause.

Our Bridge Program had an excellent promotion celebration to honor their graduates and families.

## Baldwin Early Childhood Learning Center Prepares For New School Year

Baldwin Early Childhood Learning Center welcomes parents and students to another exciting academic school year. Baldwin's early childhood program meets the intellectual, linguistic, social, emotional and physical needs of our young children.

Principal Matthews reports that the teachers have been preparing for a new program, Creative Curriculum, to help their students learn through active, concrete, and direct experiences. This program is closely connected to the New Jersey Common Core State Standards. Creative Curriculum, along with the Teaching Strategies assessment tool, pro-

viding teachers with specific information for meeting individual student's needs.

The staff at Baldwin School understands that young children learn with their bodies and their senses, as well as with their minds. With Creative Curriculum, students will discover through experimentation, exploration, problem solving, play and expressive activities in music and the arts, and sensory-motor experiences.

Everyone at Baldwin looks forward to seeing you during the year at our PTA meetings and activities.

The school's open house will be held Aug. 27 at 6:30 p.m. See you there!

Enjoy your summer and see you in September!

## Carson School Ready To Begin New School Year

Parents and students are warmly welcomed back to Carson Elementary School. Hopefully, if you are new to the district, you took advantage of our Welcome Wagon Orientation during the summer. During this event, parents and students new to the district were informed about the activities and procedures of the school and took a tour of the building.

Principal Matthews reports that many exciting events have happened over the summer in preparation for the upcoming year. Both teachers and administrators have participated in various professional development opportunities in and out of the district that will provide them with continued effective techniques for building student centered classrooms and learning.

Effective evaluations of teaching, developing student growth objectives, collegial sharing, cooperative learning, data analysis, benchmark and performance assessments, high quality lessons, guided reading, and integrated technology are just a few of the best practice techniques that will continue to support every child's learning this year.

In addition, the strategies from RTI will provide supplemental language arts support in and out of the classroom for some students.

Carson School will continue to implement the district wide Positive Behavior Incentive Support program. Our unique plan will help to improve the positive behaviors that they wish to encourage and reinforce throughout the year, including attending daily and coming to school on time.

The entire staff of Carson School looks forward to seeing parents during the year at our PTA meetings and planned events. Parents are instrumental in helping Carson remain a caring, controlled and creative environment. Remember to check your child's planner and communicator daily for information. Listen for those phone blasts that will come regularly as well.

Hope to see you at Back to School Night on Monday, Sept. 16. Let's make this another great school year!

## PENNSAUKEN SCHOOL NEWS

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

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## Welcome Back To Students And Their Families

By Marilyn Martinez, Superintendent, Pennsauken School District

It is my pleasure to welcome back our students and their families as we begin another school year. As September quickly approaches, the staff members of each school are busy with preparations. Principals and their office staff continue to assist families with registrations and any other concerns for when school opens on Friday, Sept. 6.

Sept. 6 will be a full day of school for all students in kindergarten through twelfth grade. Be sure to look for the letter from your school principal detailing information about opening day schedules.

Our summer school program was a great success, with students making academic progress. Students came prepared to learn and participation was excellent.

It is my hope that all students have participated in the mandatory Summer Reading Program. As the students were informed, this activity will count as a test grade in the first marking period. Additional information is available on our website.

It is proven that continued reading of at least twenty minutes per day will enable students to maintain their reading levels and also help in increasing their reading skills.

With the power of the internet, communication between home and school has never been better. Parents are able to access critical information, such as online grading, lunch information, and school activities to help students at home. Our website is a great resource for students and their families. Information is updated daily. Make sure you visit [www.pennsauken.net](http://www.pennsauken.net) frequently to keep up to date with the district and your individual school.

The partnership between home and school is the critical ingredient in student success. In order to help your child reach their highest potential, we need your involvement. One way is to join your school's Parent Teacher Association. The PTA helps parents, students, school staff, and communities work together to share ideas about programs and activities that

benefit children.

Again this year, each school will be participating in their Positive Behavior Incentive System. This program acknowledges and rewards individual students for increased attendance, increased academic performance, and good behavior. It also acknowledges the importance of being on-time for school each day.

Pennsauken Public School's fundamental goal is student learning. We are focused on providing the highest possible level of learning for every student, in every classroom, at every school.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer and I will see you in September.

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## Fine School Welcomes Everyone Back to School

Principal Lawrence hopes that the summer months were fun, relaxing, and filled with many learning experiences. She looks forward to this school year becoming an extension of that summer fun through some exciting and new challenges.

Students attending Fine Elementary School are expected to take advantage of every learning opportunity available; perform their best on all academic tasks; respect themselves and others; contribute to the development of a positive learning environment; and develop problem solving and conflict resolution skills. The staff at Fine Elementary School is here to assist students in meeting these expectations. A positive and safe atmosphere has been cultivated into an environment that places heavy emphasis on the value of learning.

Learning experiences and activities will be meaningful and challenging to all students. In addition, classroom activities will be focused on student involvement and a hands-on approach to learning.

Everyone at Fine Elementary School is excited about the plans for the upcoming

school year and looks forward to working with all the students and their families as we strive to make the school year a successful experience for everyone. We look forward to greeting everyone at "Back To School Night" on Monday, Sept. 23 at 6:30 p.m.

## Intermediate School Holds Open House

The Intermediate School will be celebrating its Back to School Night on Wednesday, Sept. 11. School principal Dr. Morris reports that the program will begin with a brief orientation in the auditorium of Phifer Middle School. Following this orientation, parents and teachers will return to the homerooms of their child to meet with their respective teachers. The fifth grade program will begin at Phifer Middle School at 6 p.m. and the sixth grade program will begin at 7 p.m. There is always a huge attendance at this event. Please come and meet your child's teachers.

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## Pennsauken High School Soaring To New Heights

In June we said a fond farewell to the class of 2013 and also to five-year principal, Mr. Dennis Vinson. While we will all miss the seniors and Mr. Vinson's smiling face in the hallways, we have welcomed back Dr. Ted Johnson as interim principal and will usher in the Class of 2017!

Exciting times are on the horizon for PHS, as we anticipate a new full-time principal that will help lead the building to "new heights," as the new Route 73 billboard advertises. The building will continue its new direction with the high quality lesson plan template, increased student-centered learning, and a focus on daily key questions that help students constantly grasp the big picture of the lesson. Student achievement, as indicated by HSPA scores and a cross-cur-

ricular literacy push, has been steadily rising for a few years, thanks to the hard work of so many dedicated Pennsauken educators.

Dr. Johnson and his administrative team are eager to begin another fruitful year with our instructional team on Hylton Rd. Like all Pennsauken schools, we strive to fulfill the mission, vision, and belief statements of the Pennsauken District. At the core of these statements are ideas such as: diversity recognition, higher-order thinking, career and college readiness, pursuit of academic excellence, and life-long learning and happiness. These are just some of the qualities that the staff inherently instills each day for our young adults within our community.

Another key ingredient to the success

of our Pennsauken students is the active participation of parents. For years, research has shown that parental interest in their children's academics and extracurricular activities has significantly advanced student achievement. We thank you for your past involvement and urge you to continue building strong bonds with your child and his or her school community. Whether it is sitting down with a child at the dinner table talking about the day's lessons and homework, communicating with teachers, or attending a PTA meeting, parental involvement is the x-factor that leads to success.

We look forward to seeing all of you as a new school year begins, and at the Sept. 17 Back to School Night. Please enjoy the remaining days of summer!

## Middle School Garden Club Care For Memorial Garden

Members of the Middle School Garden Club work with teacher Mr. Karl Medley to care for the Howard M. Phifer Memorial Garden each year. The garden serves as a place of remembrance for those Middle School teachers who have passed away. This is a wonderful service project for the students.



## Burling And Delair Students Take Advantage Of PBIS Program

Students who qualified took advantage of the many activities of the Positive Behavior Incentive System (PBIS). The incentive program acknowledges good attendance, good discipline and awards students who receive outstanding grades during the marking period. Pictured here, students selected the school dance party as their PBIS reward at Delair School. In addition, students at Burling selected the chance to have lunch with their principal.



## Fine School Classroom Spotlight

On May 30, Fine School hosted Chef Jonathan Jernigan, the executive chef at the Cathedral Kitchen in Camden, NJ. Fine School is doing a community service project with the Cathedral Kitchen for the first time by preparing bagged meals to be donated to the organization.

Fourth graders welcomed Chef Jonathan and listened intently as he discussed his life as a chef and private caterer. The students further discussed their future dreams and aspirations and made a list of all of their future careers.

Chef Jonathan encouraged students to work hard to achieve their life goals and to find joy in their work. Fine School hopes to continue this community service initiative into next year with the assistance of the entire student body.



Fourth grade students from Fine School pose with Chef Jonathan Jernigan from the Cathedral Kitchen.

## Burling And Delair Field Trip



Both Burling and Delair School scheduled a bowling party for their fourth grade trip. Students were treated to two games of bowling along with a pizza lunch courtesy of the PTA.

## Fine School Classroom Spotlight

Mrs. Drechsel's class learned about bugs! They read books written by Eric Carle, including "The Very Hungry Caterpillar," "The Very Busy Spider" and "The Grouchy Ladybug."

Students also played with bug beanie babies, painted bug pictures and stamped them onto paper to make bug impressions. They also created butterflies with gauze bandages and created paper plate ladybugs.

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## Longfellow Students of the Month



March Student of the Month recipients  
Jordan Darby, Jane Hoang, Jazlyn Sanchez, Jordan Granger, Raul Beltran, Veronica Santiago, Elissa Gallo, Ashely Estrada, Rebecca Hudson, Elvin Polanco, Kyla Thomas, and Principal Lewis.



April Student of the Month recipients  
Michael James, Angie Checo-Gomez, Cortez Beckford, Tareq Council, Gianna Rivera, Byron Lightfoot, Jalen Brown, Myles Jefferson, Danny Hernandez, Emmanuel Soriano, Bryanna Marcellus, and Principal Lewis.

May Student of the Month recipients Layla Sandy, Syniah Jackson, Noah Cofer, Jacob Salguero, Jaylynn Almonte, Aunye Israel, Ebonee Wright King, Brianna Rosario, and Principal Lewis.





## WAGSWORLD No Cure For A Severe Case Of Two-Wheel Fever

By Bob Wagner  
AAP Columnist

The eye rolling has started again! The good wife announced just minutes ago that my current obsession has landed on her last nerve. She has been on the phone with mental health clinics and various repositories for addled husbands, to no avail. Apparently, not even Shady Acres will take me.

All this angst over my newest acquisition: the gray side car.

Now, I must admit that most motorcycle owners find putting the sidecar on the bike to be admitting that old age has caught up with them. And I do not totally disagree. But riding a motorcycle with an extra wheel and a trunk will keep me from falling over at stop lights

Plus, while puttering around the side streets of town, I can stop at yard sales and have enough storage space to bring home more stuff, without having to come home for the truck. And, should the lovely and long suffering wife care to join me for a ride, she can sit in relative comfort on the side, which even has a seat belt.

The fact that I don't actually own a motorcycle hasn't been lost on me. Some, or even most folks believe this a big point towards my pending institutionalization. I say, "pooh." There are lots of good, old motorcycles out there, hiding in garages, just awaiting my discovery. Someone might even want to trade one for some of my stuff, like the El Camino, or good fly rod combos. It just has to look cool,

and fit the persona of an "oldish" fat man. I have a good pair of goggles and a fine leather helmet. I can borrow a big Labrador who likes to ride with his head out the car window, and cruise in style. If the bike is so old it only has a kick start, my young neighbor has already volunteered to come over and start it for me.

Back in the day, when I was half my current size, I had a red Benelli bike from Italy. Then, I bought a brand new Yamaha 75 for a bit less than \$300. In the Army a year later, I picked up a Honda 90, and drove it home from Virginia. That ride almost cured me from two wheel fever. But the fever is upon me once

again. Recent re-runs of the English cooking show with the two old girls puttering off to shop on the bike and sidecar has me convinced it isn't too late.

So, good readers, if you can help, please do. Somewhere out there in "readerland" is a bike, tucked away, perhaps covered in dust. It is only resting, not dead. It calls out for rescue, and I am the guy to do it. I want to feel the wind in my face, and hear the laughter on the street as I putter by on life's side roads, all three wheels firmly planted on concrete.

I'm sure Mrs. Wags will agree, once she starts talking to me again. Call the house at 662-8546, but if a woman answers, pretend to sell insurance. Get that thing out of the garage, and help an old guy relive his youth, but slower.

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# Strategic Shade Can Help Lower Energy Costs



By Kathleen Harvey  
Owner, Plant Artistry, LLC

The lazy, hazy days of summer are going strong, bringing backyard barbecues, block parties, and street fairs. Bring comfort to the great outdoors with trees or shrubs that create cooling shade to

better enjoy summer barbecues, or slumber in a summer hammock tied between two mature trees. Produce a soulful sanctuary for respite from the day's work with an enchanting night garden. Gather your neighbors and plant shade trees that will create a welcoming tree lined street.

To more efficiently cool your home in the warmer months, cover all sunny windows with blinds, shades, or drapes. Strategically planted trees, shrubs and vines can also furnish shade. Deciduous trees provide the best shade. Some of the most popular shade trees grown in our area include Birch, Dogwood, Linden, Magnolias, and Oaks. My personal fa-

vorite is the Eastern Red Bud, because it is native, and provides both pretty spring blossoms and shade. Be sure to check for mature height and width, and plant far enough from structures so that the trees won't crowd and damage buildings as they grow.

Vines can also effectively shade a property. Arbors, trellises, and lathe

placed on the south-facing side of the property provide support for vines that will clamor up them to supply a green wall of shade as well as a privacy wall. Several vines also flower, creating a burst of color as well as shade. My property has a lathe house in the backyard, where it is wonderful to sit out back with a cup

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## CLERKS

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### Pennsauken Polling Places Special Primary Election – August 13, 2013

By Gene Padalino, Township of Pennsauken Clerk

District 1	St. Cecilia's Hall	49th & Camden Avenue
District 2	Baldwin School (All Purpose Room)	41st & Sharon Terrace
District 3	Pennsauken Intermediate School (Gym)	8125 Park Avenue
District 4	Carson School (All Purpose Room)	4150 Garfield Avenue
District 5	Municipal Court Room (Court Room)	Rte. # 130 & Bethel Avenue
District 6	Rising Community Church	3465 Haddonfield Road
District 7	Pennsauken Library	5605 North Crescent Blvd.
District 8	King of Kings Community Church	5501 Lexington Avenue
District 9	Delair School (Cafeteria)	850 Derousse Avenue
District 10	King of Kings Community Church	5501 Lexington Avenue
District 11	Temple Lutheran Church	5600 North Route #130
District 12	Longfellow School (Gym)	1400 Forrest Avenue
District 13	Ben Franklin School (All Purpose Room)	Irving & Cooper Avenue
District 14	Delair School (Cafeteria)	850 Derousse Avenue
District 15	Delaware Gardens Fire Company	540 49th Street
District 16	Martin Luther School (Gym)	4106 Terrace Avenue
District 17	George B. Fine School (All Purpose Room)	3800 Gladwyn Avenue
District 18	Ben Franklin School (All Purpose Room)	Irving & Cooper Avenue
District 19	Longfellow School (Gym)	1400 Forrest Avenue
District 20	Burling School (All Purpose Room)	3600 Harris Avenue
District 21	Penn Tech Vocational School (Science & Horticultural Center)	6008 Browning Road
District 22	Cooper River Building East (Lobby)	2400 McClellan Drive
District 23	Pennsauken Intermediate School (Gym)	8125 Park Avenue
District 24	St. Cecilia's Hall	49th & Camden Avenue



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## 2013 Consumer Confidence Report

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plary. As always, we are committed to delivering the best quality drinking water. We remain vigilant in meeting the challenges of source water protection, water conservation, and community education while continuing to serve the needs of all our water users. If you have not received your CCR Report, please contact our main office to obtain a copy. You can also view a copy on our website at [www.mpwc.com](http://www.mpwc.com) in the “Water Quality” section.

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The Merchantville-Pennsauken Water Commission meets on the second Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

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

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## PUBLICWORKS



By Bernie Kofoet  
Public Works Superintendent

### "Junk Men:" Scavengers, Trash Pickers, Thieves?

The commitment to recycling made by the residents of Pennsauken is wonderful. We have seen a steady increase in the amount of materials removed from the waste stream.

The one area of recycling that has experienced a drop in numbers is the amount of metals, (i.e. white goods, etc.) which are collected every Wednesday. While residents are still contacting Public Works to notify us they are placing various items curbside for collection, most of the time the items are gone before Waste Management arrives to pick them up. This is directly the result of scavengers who know the trash collection days. These "junk men" travel the streets, picking through trash and collecting metal to take to the scrap yard for their own personal gain.

Oftentimes, residents are left with a mess after the scavengers pick through the trash. Older televisions are particularly a problem. The scavengers will break the picture tube to get the copper yoke out, leaving a pile of broken glass and plastics.

These trash pickers are literally stealing money from you and me, the taxpayers of Pennsauken. Part of the contract with the waste hauler is the collection of the white goods. Their cost for that part of the contract is built into the total fee. Additionally, all of the potential revenues from the recycling of those materials are going into the pockets of the pickers, rather than the Township coffers, which in turn could be used to pay for services Pennsauken residents rely on.

The removal of any item placed out for collection by the Township by anyone other than the authorized collection agent is a violation of Township code. I would encourage everyone to notify the police if you see a scavenger in your neighbor-

hood. We will be working with the police department to curb this practice.

Residents now have another option for the proper disposal of electronic waste. You may have seen a recent newspaper article about Magnum Computer Recycling opening a facility in Pennsauken. They are located at 5070 Central Highway. For those not familiar with this area, it is off of Browning Rd., about half way between Rt. 70 and North Park Drive. Their hours of operations are 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. They have personnel that will assist you with unloading your vehicle.

Additional options are the Pennsauken Landfill, 9600 River Rd., which operates 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday; Newland Recycling, 9105 Burrough-Dover Lane; or the electronic waste collection events supported by Camden County throughout the year. A schedule of upcoming events, either electronic recycling or household hazardous waste collection, can be found on the Camden County website. They can also be found in the Talking Trash section that accompanies this article.

Another service which is part of the contract with the waste hauler is the collection of yard waste. This includes such things as grass clippings, weeds and trimmings, and branches.

There are certain requirements to be followed. Bags may not weigh more than 50 pounds. While we realize that weeds etc. will have a certain amount of soil on them, bags of soil or dirt are not permitted. Limbs and branches need to be no longer than four feet. They also need to be tied in secure bundles, not weighing more than 50 pounds. The placement of any type of yard waste in the yellow recycling can is not permitted.

If you have a question or concern about the about you trash or trash collection, please call (856) 663-0178 and leave a message. Someone will return your call and answer your question.

## TALKIN' TRASH

LABOR DAY, MONDAY, SEPT. 2, IS A TRASH HOLIDAY.

All trash days that week will move forward one day. Monday's trash and recyclables will be collected on Tuesday, Sept. 3; Tuesday's trash and recyclables will be collected on Wednesday, Sept.

4. Wednesday's yard waste and white goods will be collected on Thursday, Sept. 5. Thursday's trash and recyclables will be collected on Friday, Sept. 6. Friday's trash and recyclables will be collected on Saturday, Sept. 7, beginning at 6:00 a.m.

The next **Household Special Waste Collection Day** sponsored by Camden County will be on **Saturday Sept. 21** at the Pennsauken Sanitary Landfill, 9600 River Rd. from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.



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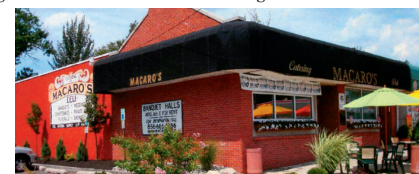
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## PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

### Pennsauken's Lipenta CEO Of Knights Of Columbus In New Jersey

Longtime Pennsauken resident Andy Lipenta was recently installed as State Deputy (CEO) of the NJ State Council Knights of Columbus in a ceremony at his home parish of Saint Peter Roman Catholic Church in Merchantville. Elected to the position at the New Jersey Knights of Columbus' annual convention May 17-18 in Wildwood, NJ, Andy will be the CEO responsible for the general welfare of the 64,000 members and families in 350 councils throughout the State of New Jersey for the next two years.

In an open letter to members of Knights of Columbus Council #6735, Lipenta said, "This is an awesome honor, privilege and responsibility that I regard with the deepest resolve and commitment to serve."

Born in Philadelphia, PA on October 6, 1945, the oldest of three sons of Andrew and Marie Lipenta, Andy was raised in Pennsauken. Andy attended St. Peter School in Merchantville for 8 years and graduated from Bishop Eustace Preparatory School, Pennsauken, in 1963.

Andy has a strong commitment to his local community as a lifelong parishioner of Saint Peter Parish. In addition to being a member of Knights of Columbus Council #6735 for 28 years, Andy has served on the parish finance committee, is a past parish council president, and continues to serve on the parish pastoral



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council. Andy has served the parish as schedule coordinator for Eucharistic ministers and lectors for the past 35 years. Andy was also a recipient of the Diocese of Camden, Bishop DiMarzio Liturgical Ministries Medal.

Andy and his wife Maria recently celebrated 41 years of marriage and have four grown children and two grandchildren.

### Pennsauken Native Receives Full Ride To Pursue Doctorate

Recent college graduate and Pennsauken native Kayla Coleman has vision far beyond her 21 years. Coleman, daughter of Bridget Still-Coleman and granddaughter of Dr. Sylvia Still, graduated from The College of New Jersey (TCNJ) on May 16 with a Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics and a minor in Statistics, a very uncommon major chosen by women. And although her journey is destined to achieve many prestigious goals, one goal stands out above them all, to inspire others.

"I want to be an inspiration to younger women," she said. "At some point in my life I want to be able to look back and see that I didn't just exist, but that I made an impact on people."

Coleman will begin graduate school at North Carolina State University in Raleigh, North Carolina, where she has received a full scholarship to pursue a Ph.D. in Applied Mathematics.

It was a sixth grade teacher from Phifer Middle School, Mrs. Eileen Egan, and her mathematics class, who made such an impact on Coleman that it steered her in the direction she is going today.

"I attribute my initial interest in math to her and her class. I loved her enthusiasm for math and for teaching. She is the first person who encouraged me to pursue math further."

That encouragement, and a lot of hard work, has led Coleman to graduate Cum Laude in a field where very few women focus their studies. She didn't choose to study mathematics because the subject came naturally to her. It was actually



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quite the opposite.

"I initially chose math because it was the most challenging and stimulating subject for me," she said. "Any time I got a problem right, I felt rewarded because it was so difficult for me. Overcoming the challenge made me feel really accomplished and made me want to push myself even further."

Coleman believes that she will eventually be back in the classroom, not as a student but as a professor. "I feel like teaching is a way to give back," she said. "And it's also a way to impart to the next generation."

#### NJUA Presents Scholarship To Merchantville's Ramos

The New Jersey Utilities Association (NJUA) is pleased to announce that Jason J. Ramos of Merchantville is the recipient of the organization's 2013 Trade and Vocational School Scholarship. This scholarship goes to a qualified

student who will be pursuing a trade or vocational degree at an accredited school. The scholarship is valued at up to a total of \$6000 depending on the total cost of the vocational program.

### Scouts Put On Capes, Adopt Hero Theme For 2013-2014 Year

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are boys who are in gifted, talented, and AP classes; there are also boys who get remedial help as well as boys who are home schooled. There are Catholics, Protestants, Buddhists, and Hindi. They all work together and learn from each other in a safe environment where their diversities are celebrated and used as teaching tools. Does Superman check to see what religion/color the person crying, "Help!" is? Never! And that's what Boy Scouts hopes to teach their "heroes in training."

Pack 116 will be holding its annual Open House Carnival on Friday, Sept. 20, 7 p.m. at the Martin Luther School on Rt. 130 and Terrace Ave. Parking is on the Baker Ave. side of the building. Troop 118 will be holding its Open House on Monday, Oct. 14, 7 p.m. at the Grace Episcopal Church Scout Room, 7 E. Maple Ave., Merchantville. You do not need to wait until these events to join. Call (856) 617-1631 or e-mail Pennsauken Scouts @gmail.com.



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## Restaurant Equippers Opens New Store In Pennsauken At The Point

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It's a good move for us." Task went on to explain that Restaurant Equippers serves as a "destination purchase" and pulls customers from New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania. In fact, on the day of the ribbon cutting, customers hailing from Trenton and Washington, D.C. stopped in to make purchases.

Restaurant Equippers is a privately owned, family-run business serving the restaurant industry for more than 40 years. While being able to supply chains and larger restaurants, the company's focus is on the independent, mom and pop business living "The American Dream," and stands out by stocking everything a restaurant needs to open its doors at low warehouse prices.

"They can get it right away because we have everything in stock. To an independent owner, a lot of our business is replacement business," explains Task. "So if somebody's refrigerator breaks today, they want to be able to get it quickly. They can go to one of our stores to pick it up, or have it shipped from one of our warehouses that same day."

In addition to restaurant equipment, the store sells thousands of smaller items, such as commercial grade China and glasses, at prices lower than those at specialty stores, which often attracts the general public looking for deals.

Restaurant Equippers was started in the early 1960's by Morris Dach, a motivated entrepreneur who survived the Holocaust and Auschwitz in World War II, came to America without knowing any English, and ran a very successful deli for decades, not unlike the type of restaurateurs the company serves today. Dach began buying and selling used restaurant equipment to help friends in the foodservice business.

"My father was an amazing man," says Debbi Sugarman, Morris' daughter who serves as the company's vice president. "He had an attitude that was beyond belief. He built the business; it blossomed into a little store front and from that, vendors started stopping by. He was always wheeling and dealing."

By 1966, Morris opened a warehouse store in Columbus, Ohio, offering food-service equipment and supplies direct to operators throughout the area. And as

the company grew and expanded to three warehouse stores, a comprehensive mail order business, and both a call center and online ordering system, the model remains the same: buy in bulk and pass the savings onto the customer; have everything in stock; and provide exceptional customer service by hiring employees with restaurant experience.

"My father was all about taking care of the customer," explains Larry Dach, president of Restaurant Equippers and Morris' son. "[He] always said, 'Sell them what they need. Don't oversell them. You don't want to break them. Help them out.'"

Morris' children did not start out in the family business. Larry originally worked out in California in the communications field; Debbie is a respiratory therapist. But today, the two carry on the family tradition, with Debbie's son Scott, a business major entering his senior year at Drexel University, primed to be the third-generation dedicated to helping restaurants "maintain their business with the equipment and supplies they need, when they need it."

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## SENIORCORNER

By Sonny DiSabato  
Senior Citizen Coordinator

Hello fellow seniors.

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You pick up the phone and hear that you've received a "free" medical alert device that can save your life during an emergency. All you need to do is provide a credit card or your bank account information. These scam artists are preying on seniors' fear that they'll be unable to get help during a medical emergency. They can get pretty aggressive on the phone, but don't let them intimidate you. They can't do anything to you unless you let them.

Here's some helpful tips to avoid these

## Medical Alert Scam Targets Seniors

medical device scammers:

- Hang up the phone if it's an unsolicited call, especially if it's a "robocall."
- Don't select to "opt out" of future calls. That will make you the target of additional calls.
- Don't pay for anything you didn't order.
- If they say the medical device is free, it's definitely too good to be true.

### Home Safety Repair For Seniors

Sponsored the Union Organization for Social Service (UOSS), the Senior Safe Home Program addresses the basic safety home repair needs of eligible seniors living in Camden County. The goal of the program is to make a senior's home safer and more easily accessible so they can stay in their homes without being institutionalized.

In order to be eligible for the program, you must be a resident of Camden County 60 years of age or older; a verified homeowner or spouse of the owner with required documentation, a copy of the deed or current tax records; without the assistance of SSHP in danger of institutionalization; and meet the required eligibility guidelines.

Available services from the Senior Safe Home Program include:

- Repairs that address safety or health concerns in the home.
- Special needs equipment, such as handrails and ramps, for seniors with physical disabilities.
- A working relationship with other social service agencies to assist with seniors' needs.
- A follow-up procedure to ensure that UOSS services are properly provided.

For more information, call 856-663-1717.

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larly in this very hot weather. Say a special prayer for our men and women serving in the Armed Forces.

## Rotary Club of Pennsauken-Merchantville Holds Annual Fundraiser

The Rotary Club of Pennsauken-Merchantville is continuing to promote its annual fundraiser. Held for the fourth consecutive year, the proceeds from the fundraiser will be used towards purchasing items for the police, fire, and EMS departments, as well as providing scholarships and other programs for Pennsauken students.

Since its inception, the fundraisers have raised over \$7,000 that directly benefit recipients. In the past, the proceeds have been used to purchase a remote area lighting system, gas detectors and

smoke alarms for the fire department; a bar code scanner, night vision binoculars, and digital cameras for Pennsauken Police, and an infant CPR manikin, computer and carbon monoxide detectors for the Pennsauken EMS. Scholarships and leadership awards have been awarded to Pennsauken High School students.

In these days of tighter budgets, Rotary believes it is even more important to help support the safety providers and students in Pennsauken than has been in the past.

Businesses and individuals who have generously donated to help all Pennsauken residents are: Lee Auto Supply; Andy Andreola; Flanagan's Auto & Truck Service; Mod-Tek Converting; 45th Street Pub; Howie Electrical; Penn Monument and Florists; B&D Digital Solutions; Petrillo & Goldberg; Elite Auto Service; Montegrillo Cucina Italiano; Dr. Dashkow; Penn Queen Diner; Interstate Welding & Manufacturing, Co.; Stevens Management; Auxiliary Service & Hardware Supply; Enterprise Leasing; Transparent Office Products; Penn Muffler & Brake Shops; and ASEA Packaging.

If you would like to like to make a donation to this fundraiser, or learn more about Rotary, please feel free to contact us at PMRotary@yahoo.com or calling 856-663-0898. The Rotary Club of Pennsauken-Merchantville meets every Thursday at 12:15 p.m. at Pinsetter Bar and Bowl in Pennsauken.



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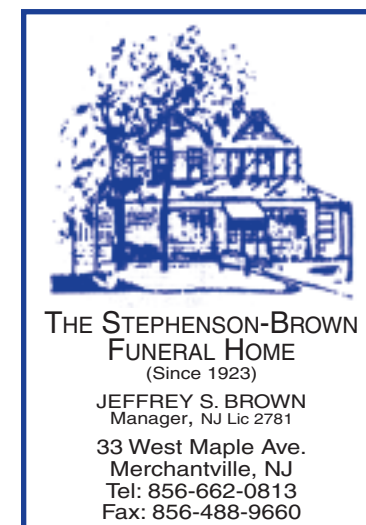


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"In order to provide a distinct and delineating look for both the children's young adult areas, we will be painting murals on the back wall," explains Colleen Affrime, youth services librarian. "These murals will add artistic value and interest, can increase the building's value, and will help us to promote books and reading by depicting various story characters."

The Library is currently soliciting support from patrons and community groups, requesting modest donations to help defray costs for the project. Project supporters will be included on a "wall of donors," which will be displayed as part of the mural unveiling later this fall.

For more information on this project, contact the Library at (856) 665-5959.

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8/15 Level 4 – Book and McDonald's coupon – (1250 minutes)

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8/29 Level 6 – Raffle ticket for puzzles, games and t-shirts – (1650 minutes)

9/7 Party with awarding of signed "Wimpy Kid" prizes. – (1850+ Minutes)

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## August Library Events

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### For Ages 3-5

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### For Ages 5-9

- Reading Buddies – Wednesdays – 5:30-6:30 p.m. No registration required. Volunteers will read with their buddies for half an hour. If others are still waiting, they will read to a second buddy. Activities will be provided for those waiting.

### For Ages 9-12

- Yoga – Tuesday, 8/6, 8/20, 8/27, & 9/3 – 5:00-5:45 p.m. Adults are welcome to attend this class with their favorite tweens. Please note the Library will close at 6:00 p.m., so book selections will need to be made before hand. Also, if you have a yoga mat, please bring it with you.
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- Lego Club – Wednesdays following the morning movie (approx. 12:00 p.m.).

### For Adults

- Arcade Action – Thursday, 8/15 – 6:30 p.m.
- Book Club – Thursday, 8/8 – 10:15 a.m.

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## FOODADVENTURES Food Adventures Outside Pennsauken: Vincent's Brick Oven Pizza

By Rachael Rivera, AAP Columnist

I recently sat down and spoke with Vincenzo Dipietro, owner and operator of Vincent's Brick Oven Pizza located on Main St. in Maple Shade. Aside from the restaurant's attractive exterior, you walk inside to be greeted by smiling faces behind the counter, busy making pizzas or other culinary delights. Music echoes lightly in the background and I take my seat across from Vincenzo. Not far into our interview, I learn that Vincenzo actually hold a bachelor's degree in French literature and linguistics, not something I would have expected right off the bat from a successful pizzeria owner.

In 1999, Dipietro opened Vincent's

Pizza out in Souderton, PA and lived in Skippack. Vincent's in Souderton provided lunchtime eats for the entire Penn Ridge school district and remained very busy in the few years it was open.

For a time, Dipietro also worked for distributors and different restaurants, all while honing his skills in the food industry. Eventually, Vincenzo concentrated heavily on the marketing aspect of the industry, realizing that it can be easy to bring in customers with the right marketing, but he really wanted to make sure that they wanted to stay. At Vincent's Brick Oven Pizza, every customer gets 100 percent; and if anyone is ever unhappy, they get full refunds. He has never had a customer say something bad about his restaurants.

What I hear most restaurant owners say, and I believe them whole heartedly, is that in this kind of economy, full of unsure wages and wavering employment, fine dining is becoming less and less popular. People are turning more towards low key, affordable places that still offer amazing dishes. According to Vincenzo, serving the public is all about getting them the best

value while giving them a great product. At Vincent's, everything is fresh. This is one of the only places that have 50 percent organic whole wheat dough made with extra virgin olive oil. The restaurant is BYOB, which also helps the patron's pocket.

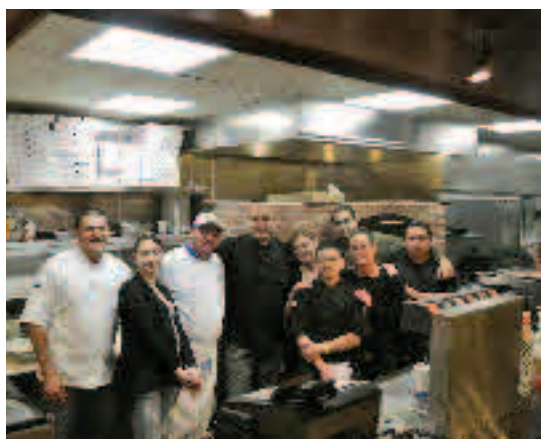
This is a place you can get an artisan pizza, prepared by manager and pizza

artist Silas Peitro, or a stuffed salmon and veggie dish. The menu is full of options but doesn't overwhelm you; neither do the prices.

Vincent's has been open for seven months. They offer catering services and can host private parties. Their service is fantastic, the quality of the food you get is top notch, and the prices are fair. These

are aspects in a dining establishment I find time and time again that create the perfect formula for a successful place worth visiting.

Vincent's serves and delivers to Pennsauken, Cherry Hill, Merchantville, Maple Shade, Mount Laurel and Moorestown. For more information, visit VincentsBrickOven.com.



Seen here is Vincent Dipietro (4th from left) with his staff from Vincent's Brick Oven Pizzeria. Vincent's in Maple Shade combines the best traditions of the pizzeria with a wide offering of Italian favorites.

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## Water Safety Tips To Help Enjoy Summer's Hottest Month

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While the summer months wind to a close, many residents look to hit the pool to keep cool during the very hot and steamy days of August. It can be great summer fun when enjoyed properly, but it can also bring serious risk. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, about ten people die every day from unintentional drowning. Of these, two are children aged 14 or younger. The following are very helpful tips to enjoy your time in the water safely and responsibly.

### Being Prepared in the Water

First and foremost, it is vital that adults and children be able to swim before they enter the water, whether a pool or spa. While knowing how to swim is no guarantee of security, it does provide the most basic level of protection in the water.

Swimming lessons for children provide the skills and knowledge that are necessary to be safer in the water. For adults, swimming lessons can give them the confidence they need to be a good water safety role model for their children.

### Responding to Incidents of Drowning and Submersion Injuries

If an emergency happens, it is essential parents and families are prepared. That means knowing how to turn off the pool or spa pump should a suction entrapment occur, and where to immediately find rescue equipment, including a long-handled hook or a buoy or flotation device with an attached line. A fully charged telephone should be available at all times to dial 911.

While someone is calling 911 on a telephone near the pool, be prepared to administer CPR – something parents and family members should know and regularly practice if they own a pool or spa.

### Responding to Drain Entrapments

To respond to a drain entrapment, parents and families should immediately cut off the switch for a pool or spa pump. To break a child free of a powerful suction from a drain, a parent can wedge a hand or finger underneath the child next to the drain grate and slowly break the connection between the child and the drain.

To avoid entanglements in pools and

spas, parents should make sure children have secured their long hair and are not wearing loose clothing and jewelry. If clothing, hair or jewelry becomes entangled in a pool or spa device, adults should have scissors nearby to free children from

drains and other mechanical devices.

### In the Community

The Pennsauken Fire Department and Pennsauken Emergency Medical Services have partnered with Kennedy

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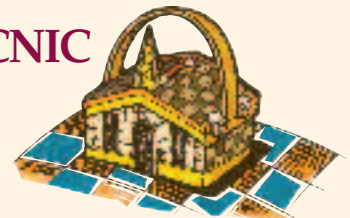
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## Pennsauken Lions Install New President, Plan For Upcoming Year

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challenges young people to serve their community. It recognizes youth ages 12-18 for their community service within a 12-month period. Young volunteers who give 50 hours of community service receive the Silver Seal Award; 100 hours of community service is recognized with the Gold Seal Award. The Lions Young Leaders in Service Awards benefit young people by encouraging their in-

volvement in community service, which leads to personal fulfillment and the development of skills that are important to success.

An annual project that the Pennsauken Lions have been part of is the holiday shopping for blind children initiative, held in conjunction with another Lions Club and local Leo Clubs, which are Lions sponsored clubs for High School students. It is held about three

weeks before Christmas at the Cherry Hill Target. Each child is given a \$50 gift card and they are helped to shop for presents for their families.

Also, the Lions will hold their annual pancake breakfast in the spring. They will hold the Flea market in conjunction with the breakfast, moving the Flea market vendors to right in front of the breakfast entrance to entice people to visit the flea market before or after the

breakfast.

The Lions meet on the first and third Mondays, October to June at 6:15 p.m. at Macaro's Catering Hall on Westfield Ave in Pennsauken. The September social meeting will be held on Sept. 23 at a member's home. This is a membership

Open House. Dinner will follow a cocktail period and start at 6:30 p.m. Anyone interested in joining the Lions or just helping with their many community-focused service projects, should contact the Lions at PennsaukenLionsClub@gmail.com or (856) 617-1630.

## From Bakeries To The Great Beyond, Pennsauken Makes It To Reality TV

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episode of "Save My Bakery" in the reruns, Al and Chris making Pennsauken their home is definitely an ongoing series. "I've lived in Pennsauken for over 40 years," says DiBartolo, Sr. "The area that I'm in is a quiet neighborhood. It's a good location."

### Meeting The Long Island Medium

For the uninitiated, or those with basic cable, "The Long Island Medium" high-

lights the exploits of Theresa Caputo, a self-proclaimed psychic who can speak with the dead. In a June episode, she met with Robert Upshaw Jr., a longtime Pennsauken resident who grew up across from Baldwin School, performed with the "Double Dozen" and PAPA, and graduated Pennsauken High School in 2001. A member of the Army Reserves, Upshaw was preparing for deployment to Afghanistan, and his girlfriend felt he needed some closure re-

garding the death of his father before heading overseas.

"We've been watching [Long Island Medium] since the first season. When we found out about [my deployment], my girlfriend wrote to Theresa. She wanted to get a reading for me."

"She brought up the deployment. She brought up about me dreaming about [my father]," explains Upshaw. "She was able to give me closure. It was an awesome experience."

## Strategic Shade Can Help Lower Energy Costs

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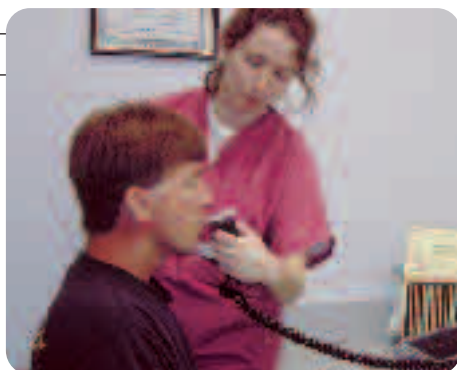
of morning coffee in the spring. By summer, it would be intolerably hot, if it weren't for my Clematis Virginiana, an East Coast native. This clematis dies back to the ground each winter, grows back each spring, and by early summer, the lathe wall and ceiling are covered in green. Then in late summer to early fall, the entire structure is covered in fragrant white flowers that provide a cool shady reprieve from the summer heat.

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## PYAA SPORTS

## PYAA Storm, Predators Win Big

The PYAA U-9 Storm Soccer Team blasted into the Voorhees Memorial Day Classic Tournament, winning games against the Voorhees Avengers (4-0), Runnemedede Rebels (3-2), Hockessin Hurricanes (6-0), and Seneca United Tomahawks (7-1).

Congratulations to players Evan Ciavarelli, Jim McDermott, Danny McKown, Gia Rebilas, Joey Rebilas, Maison Robinson, Jack Schuler, Dillan Sorino, Nick Stillwaggon, and Matt Wallace. The Storm is coached by Tom Wallace, Mike Ciavarelli and Bill Grey, who teach that the name on the front of the jersey is more important than the name on the back. Their motto: "Bruises will heal, blood will fade and pride lasts forever."



The PYAA U-9 Storm Soccer Team, winners of the 2013 Voorhees Memorial Day Classic Tournament.

### Predators Go Undeclared

The first place PYAA Predators travel soccer team ended their spring season by defeating second place Bordentown by a score of 3 to 2 in the regular season's final game.

The PYAA Predators completed their regular season with an amazing 10 and 0 record. Of their 10 wins, five were shut outs. They scored 39 goals and only yielded seven goals this season.

After the spring season, the Predators entered the prestigious Voorhees Memorial Classic. During this tournament, through excellent teamwork, they continued their winning ways by defeating three quality soccer clubs, Wenonah (2-

1), Voorhees (3-2) and the Medford Strikers (2-0) in a thrilling finale.

Members of the championship team consisted of Frank Coar, Donnie Frenzel, Andrew Hatley, Will Hatley, Hannah Hidalgo, Loghan Kane, Kyle McCarty, Angelo Oliverio, Liam O'Neill, Dylan Pratt, and Aidan Riley.

The players and parents would like to thank coaches Walt Hatley, Bill O'Neill, and Andrew Pratt for the team's outstanding achievements this season.

### PYAA Holds Registration for Football, Cheerleading

In August, football and cheerleading registration will be held Monday-Friday 6-8 p.m.; at the PYAA practice field on Burwood Ave., right off of Browning Rd.

### Volunteers Needed

PYAA Cheerleading is looking for coaches and helpers. We are trying to assemble a cheer board before the season starts. If interested, please call or text Patti Martin at 856-904-7222.

PYAA Football and Baseball are also looking for coaches and volunteers to fill all board positions. If interested, please contact Jim Baird (football) at 856-952-



The unbeaten 2013 PYAA Predators Travel Soccer Team.

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### A Special Thank You

PYAA would like to send a very special thank you to Christine and Hank O'Drain for their many, many years of

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## HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

By Billy Wright, Pennsauken High School Athletic Director

The inaugural "Friday Night Lights" football contest in September 2012 was a big hit with the students and community as well over 2,000 Big Red supporters were in attendance. The Friday Night experience reaches Pennsauken for a second time on Friday, Nov. 8, 7 p.m. at Vince McAneney Field, when the Renegades of Shawnee will attempt to ruin the evening for a large home crowd. PYAA fall sport athletes and family members will be

## Friday Night Lights Makes Return Engagement At PHS

granted free admission to the game with a ticket from their PYAA coach and the wearing of their game jersey. PYAA athletes will be honored at a halftime procession around the track. Children's activities are also planned and a reserved section will be set up in the parking lot for tailgating. A special ticket will need to be acquired from the Athletic Department to park in the tailgating section.

### Free Sports Physicals

The Pennsauken Board of Education

provides free sports physicals each August for both high school and middle school athletes. The boys' summer date is Monday, Aug. 12 at 8:30 a.m., followed by the girls' physicals at 12:30 p.m. Physicals are conducted in the nurse's office at Pennsauken High School. A signed permission form and pre-participation health history and physical form are required. All forms can be picked up at the school office, at the nurse's office, or can be downloaded from the school website at [pennsauken.net](http://pennsauken.net).

### Date Set For Red And White Affair

The annual Red and White football scrimmage is scheduled this year for Saturday, Aug. 24 at 10 a.m. The carnival-like atmosphere will allow parents and community supporters to get a glimpse of the fall Big Red teams in competition. At the conclusion of the scrimmages the All Sports Boosters Club will host a meet and greet for parents and Boosters Club members. Sign-ups for the club will be available under the red and white tent.

### All Sports Boosters Club Invites New Members

The All Sports Boosters Club will host parents, community members, alumni, and business leaders at their Sept. 10 meeting. Scheduled for 6:30 p.m. in the PHS cafeteria, club members are excited about recruiting new parents to assist in the numerous activities planned for the upcoming year. The membership fee is nominal and this is a great opportunity for parents to get involved in helping forge a positive experience for the over 550 Pennsauken student-athletes.

### Advertising Opportunities Available

The All Sports Boosters Club is gearing up for the fall 2013 season and supporting the ever exciting Big Red football. The team looks forward to another competitive season and a run at a possible league title. Large crowds are known to come out and support the Indians during the crisp fall season. Local businesses can be a part of the excitement by purchasing an advertisement in the football game souvenir program. Ads are of different sizes and prices and are a great way to get the word out to a large community following. Information on securing an advertisement can be found at the sport button on the [Pennsauken.net](http://Pennsauken.net) website or by contacting PHS Athletic Director Billy Wright.

### Varsity Club Looks Forward To Great Year

The PHS Varsity Club is a leadership training organization hosted by the Athletic Department, with Coach Eric Mossop serving as the advisor. To be eligible for membership, athletes must have earned a varsity letter, demonstrate good character, and maintain a 2.5 GPA. The club conducted several fund raisers during last school year and also was involved in community projects such as cooking at the Ronald McDonald House.

Officers for this year are President N'Dea Irvin-Choy, Vice President Megan Hilbert, Secretary Lorraine Velez, Treasurer Rebecca Hilbert, and Historian Alyssa Frisby. Invitation letters have been mailed out to all eligible PHS varsity letter winners encouraging club sign-up.

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