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FROM THE EDITOR’S DESK



By Cindy Merckx

The Borough of Clayton celebrated the grand opening of the new **Anne M. Wodnick Clayton Library** this week on Wednesday, September 16th with a ribbon cutting and well wishes from several elected officials and residents who enjoyed the long awaited fanfare! This project was made possible by a **\$3 million grant** from the New Jersey State Library’s Capital Projects Fund. The facility is nearly **4,500 square feet** which is more than twice the size of the closest branch in Glassboro and is designed to be a state-of-the-art hub for education and technology. The building includes a welcoming children’s area, dedicated spaces for adult and children’s programming, meeting spaces for community use, public computers, laptops, Wi-Fi, and free parking!

Keeping libraries open is strongly supported by many senior citizens. Across the country, libraries are adapting to serve an aging population. A recent national survey found that **73% of libraries have partnerships with senior residences, centers, or organizations for older adults** . This is crucial because loneliness and social isolation are significant public health concerns for seniors. Libraries provide crucial spaces where seniors can gather, learn, and

connect without the expectation of spending money. The new Clayton library is specifically designed to bridge a digital divide. The new branch will serve "many people without the internet" by providing crucial access to resources, job skills help, and health care professionals. The Gloucester County Library System is far from a quiet book repository. The opening is a testament to the County’s investment in literacy and community connectivity . Libraries are not just a luxury—they are essential infrastructure for education, technology access, and social well-being, particularly for many senior citizens. The library is located at **730 N. Delsea Drive, next to the Clayton Post office** and was named in honor of **Anne M. Wodnick**, a former director of the Gloucester County Library System, recognizing her commitment to learning and public access to information. This project represents a commitment to "literacy, lifelong learning, and community connectivity. National data shows that **80.4% of libraries offer specific support services for adults aged 65 and older**, with digital literacy and technology help being the most common. The new Clayton facility’s expanded technological resources will directly serve this need. The Clayton library is more than just a building—it is a deliberate investment in closing the digital divide. Local libraries matter—not just for books, but as vital community anchors for seniors, students, and families who rely on them for internet access, programming, and making connections.



PUBLIC MEETINGS

- Sept. 21st- Franklinville Board Fire Comm-7:30PM
- Sept. 21st- Franklin Twp BOE-Janvier School-6PM
- Sept. 21st- Monroe Twp Enviro Comm-6:30PM
- Sept. 23rd- Monroe Twp Council-7PM
- Oct. 1st- Glassboro Council WS-6:30PM
- Oct. 1st- Monroe Twp Senior Comm-5:15PM
- Oct. 5th- Monroe Twp Open Space-7pm
- Oct. 6th- Franklin Twp Zoning Board- 7PM
- Oct. 8th- Newfield Council- 7PM
- Oct. 12th- Columbus Day- Legal Holiday
- Oct. 13th- Janvier Board Fire Comm-7:30PM

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PROPERTY TAX RELIEF PROGRAM

ANCHOR payments will begin September 15th, 2026 on a rolling basis, for seniors over 65, or disabled, who filed a PAS-1 application. Those under 65 and not disabled who received auto filed letters, but need to update their information must do so by filing a new ANC-1 application by September 15th. Benefits for those non-seniors/non-disabled will be issued on a rolling basis beginning in October. Most people will receive payment within 90 days, unless additional information is required.



SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Get ready for a night of Rock & Roll! Van Halen Nation is bringing the excitement and energy of a ‘Diamond’ David Lee Roth era Van Halen FREE concert to Giampietro Park, 3231 E. Landis Avenue, Vineland on Saturday, September 19th at 7PM! This dynamic, high-powered tribute has been entertaining crowds of casual and hard core Van Halen fans for over a decade. VHN features their large-scale stage production of VanHalen’s 1984 stage plot. Each performance takes you back in time to the “totally awesome” 80’s and makes every seat in the venue feel like you’re in the front row! All the classic VH hits and deep cuts are performed with the subtleness of a red-hot flamethrower. Bring your family & friends, grab a chair or blanket and get ready to sing along and dance the night away!



by Freddy Groves

THE OIG AT WORK

The Veterans Affairs Office of Inspector General (VA OIG) has been busy. And as is typical, their work involves saving millions of dollars that should have gone to veterans services.

When the OIG analyzed the details about a contractor for the Veterans Crisis Line, they questioned why millions of dollars were paid when the work wasn't actually done. The job involved providing backup services for the toll-free 24/7 crisis line. However, that contractor didn't have enough staff, didn't train the staff they did have and didn't meet federal security requirements. Due to lack of contract oversight, the VA made payments to that contractor -- \$11.2 million worth -- for a year. The OIG, naturally, wants that money back.

Then there was the not-so-small matter of critical medical supplies and equipment and how those were managed. After being called on to inspect the practices at one certain VA facility, the OIG spent months looking at the inventory of expendable supplies, nonexpendable equipment, distribution controls and the leadership. What they found was so bad that four operating rooms had been closed because of lack of supplies, expired supplies and unreliable restocking, causing surgery backlogs and cancellations.

The OIG found expired supplies in operating rooms. (The OIG asked that they be removed, yet two months later the expired supplies were still there.) They discovered 50 pallets of supplies that were expired, damaged or obsolete. When it came to equipment, five pieces couldn't even be located. The value of missing nonexpendable items was \$10.5 million.

The facility had been awarded \$3.2 million for a contract for an inventory management system but never completely installed it and eventually disabled the program. They were then awarded more money to get the contractor to do the complete installation, and that wasn't done either. Rumor is that the VA's OIG is not getting a bigger budget for 2027. That's ridiculous considering the amount of money they save the VA through their investigations.

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POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY

Please join us and members of the American Legion Post 252 for our annual POW/MIA Recognition Day on September 18th at 6PM at the Pfeiffer Community Center, 301 Blue Bell Road, Williamstown. National POW/MIA Recognition Day in the United States is observed on the third Friday of September (9/18). It honors American Prisoners Of War and those Missing In Action from all conflicts, reinforcing the nation’s promise that they are never forgotten. There will be light refreshments served immediately following at the American Legion Post 252.

VFW TRUNK OR TREAT

Fun for the whole family at VFW Post 2071, 2179 Delsea Dr., Franklinville on Saturday, October 24th at 4PM. Bring your costumes, bags, and buckets! If you want to set up your ‘trunk’ five us a call at (856)694-9878 or send us a message on our facebook page.

CELEBRATE ITALIAN HERITAGE

The City of Vineland and the Italian Cultural Foundation of South Jersey invite the community to join us for the Annual Italian Flag Raising Ceremony & Luncheon on Monday, October 12. A Flag Raising Ceremony will take place on the City Hall Steps beginning at 11 am. Rain location: City Council Chambers, 2nd Floor of City Hall. Following the ceremony, join us for a FREE Luncheon at 12 Noon at the North Italy Club, 414 Virano Lane, Vineland. Enjoy good food, fellowship, and music provided by The Incredible Funny Group! Reservations are required for the luncheon. To reserve your tickets, contact Special Events Coordinator Sheena Santiago at 856-794-4000, ext. 4169 or email shsantiago@vinelandcity.org. Come celebrate the rich Italian heritage and traditions that are such an important part of our Vineland community.

The BOROUGH OF CLAYTON announces the sale of 2025 and prior year delinquent taxes and other municipal charges through an on-line auction on SEPTEMBER 22, 2026 – 9:00 am. For a listing of all parcels, delinquencies and costs, along with bidding instructions, please visit <https://clayton.newjerseytaxsale.com> **information can be viewed free of charge**



RCSJ STUDENTS EXPRESS EXCITEMENT FOR NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Vineland – The first week of the school year is great opportunity for Rowan College of South Jersey (RCSJ) students to start fresh, set new goals, reconnect with old friends, and connect with new ones. Students’ emotions, naturally, tend to range from anxiety to excitement as they embark on the next step in the journey of their lives.

RCSJ’s mission is to provide its students with the tools they can use to become successful in the classroom, in the workforce, and in life.

Several students from the Cumberland and Gloucester campuses eagerly shared what they have experienced during the first few days of the 2026 Fall Semester.

Tatyana A., 19, Vineland, Sophomore Communications major, Cumberland campus: “I’m ready for a fresh start, something new. I’m excited to take the communications electives,” the Oakcrest High School graduate said. “I’ve had a great first day. I think everybody is pretty nice around here, so I’m excited to talk to more people and get to know the campus a little more.”

Jordan B., 20, Swedesboro, Freshman Computer Graphic Arts major, Gloucester campus: “I am excited. I took a gap year,” the Kingsway Regional High School graduate said. “I was in cosmetology school for a while, but I ended up leaving because the school was way too far away, so I am excited. I decided to come to RCSJ because first of all it was convenient, and also because I actually think that going to a community college first is a really good opportunity [before going to] a university.

“Two-year colleges are really good if you want to start out and see how you like going to college instead of just going to a four-year university. I think RCSJ is a really good opportunity for people [who] want opportunities to try to figure out what they want to do.”

Zachary C., 18, Vineland, Freshman Arts and Sciences: Radio, Television & Film major, Cumberland campus: Zachary said his experience has been, “Pretty chill, calm. Pretty decent vibes. Meeting new people, meeting people once again, meeting teachers, meeting everyone.” The CCTEC graduate’s goal is “to do good and [make] my parents proud. It’s been a good start, so just keep going up from here.”

Roselynn F., 18, Mullica Hill, Freshman Environmental Science major, Gloucester campus: “They’ve been really smooth, not stressful at all,” the Clearview Regional High School grad said, when asked about her first two days on campus. “I was scared coming in but everything went fine. I met a couple of people. It’s really nice.”

Roselynn’s goals are “to get good grades, be a better note taker and stay organized. All the professors are nice; it’s been easy to find my way around campus. Everything’s been so smooth from the transition from high school to college.”

Raul H., 18, Vineland, Freshman Commuter Graphic Arts major, Cumberland campus: “It’s been pretty relaxing, pretty nice. It’s a great environment,” the Vineland High School (VHS) graduate said. “I’m pretty excited for the rest of the year. It’s a very nice campus overall and the students here are great, too. I just met up with my friend Zachary.”

Raul, who graduated Summa Cum Laude from VHS, said his academic goals are to “definitely keep my grades up, for sure, just how I did in high school. [I may] participate in extracurricular activities and just have a great time overall. It can definitely feel a bit different compared to high school, but it’s a new experience. It feels really great. It’s a new chapter, you know? I’m very excited about this new chapter.”

David M., 18, Vineland, Freshman Physical Therapy Assistant major, Cumberland campus: “It’s been pretty good. I just got out of my first class; it was general psychology. I never took a psychology course before, so I’m pretty excited about that,” he said. “It’s a new experience from [Vineland] High School. It’s definitely different but I’m ready for whatever is to come. I’m hoping to get good grades, possibly all A’s. I like the campus, it’s really nice.”

Ayo O., 18, Sicklerville Winslow Twp., Sophomore Nursing major/Gloucester campus: “This is my second day on campus. It’s nice, chill, laid back. People are friendly,” the Winslow Twp. graduate, said. Ayo, a power forward/center on the Roadrunners’ basketball team, revealed that his mind is on playing basketball and that his academic goal is “to get all A’s because I can’t really go anywhere without good grades.”

Angel S., 19, Woolwich Twp., Freshman Chemistry major, Gloucester campus: “It’s been very fun. I love my teachers, especially my psychology teacher that me and Jordan [B.] just had class with. I’m just so excited to learn,” the Kingsway Regional High School graduate, said.

“I graduated high school in June 2024. I haven’t been to school in two years and I’m just ready to learn. I’ve only been here two days but this school, this campus, this whole area and the people are just amazing, genuinely. They are just so nice. It’s just everything you could ever want from a school – and it’s a community college.”



Freshman friends Raul H. and Zachary C. were happy to run into each other on the RCSJ–Cumberland campus during the first week of the Fall 2026 Semester.

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SUPPORT CAROLINE REUTTER SCHOOL PTO AT MCTEACHER’S NIGHT

Come support the Reutter School PTO on Wednesday, September 30th from 5PM to 7PM at the Malaga McDonalds. Your servers fro the evening will be Mr. Peters, School Principal along with the Reutter School Teachers and Staff! Proceeds will go to the Reutter School PTO to offset the costs for t-shirts for the Reutter School students.

RCSJ HOSTS FALL 2026 OPEN HOUSE EVENTS OCTOBER 8 & 15

RCSJ’s Open House events are an opportunity for future students, families and community members to experience the welcoming atmosphere of the College and discover the possibilities that ignite success. Held Oct. 8 at the Gloucester Campus and Oct. 15 at the Cumberland Campus, the events will connect guests with the people, programs, and resources that can help turn college goals into reality. Visitors can meet faculty, explore academic programs, learn about scholarships and ways to pay for college, tour the campuses, and discover the many ways to get involved through athletics, clubs, and honor societies. Guests will also have the opportunity to learn about RCSJ’s new academic programs and attend a special 3+1 Information Session at 7 p.m. The session will highlight pathways to a bachelor’s degree for under \$35,000 through RCSJ’s partnership with Rowan University in select majors. Guests attending the Oct. 8 event can also stop by the Gloucester County Professional Counselors Association college fair in the RCSJ Gym. Whether exploring college for the first time or considering a new academic or career path, Open House is a chance to take the next step and discover all that RCSJ has to offer.

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2026-2027



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2. Click on **Kindergarten Registration** on our homepage
3. Complete the **Online Pre- Registration and steps 2-4.**

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For further information, please contact Mrs. Humeny at our
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Our Towns

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GLOUCESTER COUNTY SENIOR PICNIC

Celebrating America's 250th Birthday on Wednesday, September 23rd from 11 AM to 3PM at Red Bank Battlefield Park, 100 Hessian Avenue, National Park. Open to Gloucester County Residents 60 years and older. Tickets on Sale now! A limited number of tickets will be available for \$2 each at Division of Senior Services Office 115 Budd Blvd. West Deptford M-F from 8:30 AM to 4PM and at each of the Senior Nutrition Sites.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

The annual Old Stone House Village Harvest Festival is just around the corner! Our volunteers are busy at work finalizing all of the details for this fun, family event and we hope you'll visit us Saturday, September 26th from 10am-2pm where you'll get to step back in time and see historic trade demonstrations, play olde time games, take a hayride, pick a pumpkin, and do some shopping with our vendors! This is a FREE event but donations are graciously accepted and used toward the restoration and preservation of the buildings in our village located at 208 Egg Harbor Road, Sewell (Washington Township).

GLASSBORO CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL

Glassboro Craft Beer Festival will be held at Glassboro Town Square and will feature 50+ breweries, food trucks, various craft vendors, live entertainment, photo opportunities, and more on Saturday, September 26th with live music by Shot of Southern! Don't miss your chance to purchase one of our limited VIP tickets to earn you an extra hour of sampling and a lanyard to hold your custom Glassboro Craft Beer Festival pilsner cup. *Everyone in the festival must be 21 years of age or older. No pets or children will be permitted into the event. **TICKETS ON SALE NOW:** https://events.beerfests.com/e/glassboro-craft-beer-festival/tickets?utm_source=affiliate&utm_name=Facebook-Event-26&utm_campaign=Facebook-Event-26&utm_id=6a031e37b1d84bc9975300360a1e60a9

BUILDING DEDICATION

The members of the Williamstown Fire Company No. 1 are excited to invite the community and fellow First Responders to celebrate the Building Dedication of their new fire station on Saturday, September 26th from 1PM to 10PM. Join us for a day of celebration, community pride and appreciation. Event Highlights include: Parade at 1PM, Sugar Rush Rocks from 3PM to 7PM, Food trucks throughout the day, Beer Garden and a 50/50 Drawing. This new building represents more than brick & mortar – it represents the commitment, dedication and sacrifice of the volunteer firefighters who proudly serve this community every day. It is a symbol of its past, present and future that will serve and protect the residents, businesses and those who visit Monroe Township for generations to come. “As we dedicate this new station, we also celebrate the partnerships, friendships and support that make our fire company strong. This achievement would not be possible without the incredible backing of the residents, businesses, elected officials and neighboring emergency service organizations. Thank you for your continued support of the Williamstown Fire Company.

THE GREAT PUMPKIN GLOW

The Great Pumpkin Glow is a brand-new experience lighting up Swedesboro, that is a perfect for a fun night out with friends or a family trip to remember. Thousands of glowing jack-o'-lanterns fill the night. Walk through huge pumpkin displays, snap some pics at fun photo ops, and grab some seasonal treats along the way. Join in the fun times at Dalton Farms, 660 Oak Grove Road, Swedesboro NJ 08085 from Sept 25-Oct 31st. Sept. Fri, Sat, Sun. In October on Thurs, Fri, Sat, Sun Hours to be announced. 856-341-4740

WESTVILLE FALL FESTIVAL

September 26th – Car Show hosted by South Jersey Pontiac Club. Over 75 vendors, music, food trucks, arts & crafts and family activities. Located at Route 47 and Duncan Avenue in downtown Westville.

BINGO EVERY THURSDAY MORNING!

All are welcome; must be 18 or older. Doors open at 7:30AM-Books start selling at 9AM; Games start at 10AM. Bagels, Donuts & pretzels for sale. Also coffee, tea, juices & soda for sale. Location: Glassboro VFW Post 679, 275 Wilmer Street, Glassboro. (856)243-5000.

TOWNWIDE YARD SALE

Pitman Town Wide yard Sale will be held on Saturday, October 3rd from 9AM to 1PM. Please register by September 25th in order to be included on the list of participating yard sales. Email your info to pitman@pitman.org

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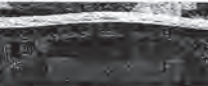
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24x16 Slant Marker \$1,200



36x16 Slant Marker \$1,900



36x24 Upright Memorial \$2,500

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WALKING TOUR OF CEDAR GREEN CEMETERY

You are invited on a Self-guided walking tour of Cedar Green Cemetery, 251 E. Academy St, Clayton on Saturday, October 3rd from 10AM to Noon. Take a free, self-guided walking tour through Clayton's iconic Cemetery. Follow the path shown in our booklet where you can read about some of our Mayors, Military and Memorials, presented by Clayton Historic Preservation.

CELEBRATE THE ARRIVAL OF FALL IN DOWNTOWN WOODSTOWN

Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 26 as Woodstown Central Railroad joins the annual Woodstown Fall Festival for a full day of autumn fun. With the return of Steam Locomotive No. 9, guests can choose their own adventure: Woodstown Fall Fest Special Departing directly from Downtown Woodstown at: 12noon, 2PM and 4 PM. You can enjoy a scenic 12-mile roundtrip steam-powered journey through the Salem County countryside before returning to explore everything the Fall Festival has to offer. Looking for even more fall fun? Hop aboard the U-Pick & Maze Train: A Bil-Dol Farm Experience, where you'll travel by steam train to Bil-Dol Farm for: Tractor-pulled wagon tours U-Pick sunflower fields Exclusive access to the patriotic-themed corn maze. It's the perfect way to celebrate the season with family and friends while enjoying everything fall has to offer in South Jersey.

JEEPERS CREEPERS!

One of the most popular Delsea community events is returning, and we can't wait to see your best costumes! Come trick-or-treat with our students, staff, and amazing local businesses. This event is open to Kindergarten–6th-grade students from both Franklin and Elk Townships on Friday, October 23th from 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM at the entrance of the HS Athletics (Gym). Space is limited on a first-come, first-served basis. Doors open promptly at 5 PM (please, no early arrivals!). Want to get involved? If you are a local business or Delsea club/sport interested in setting up a trick-or-treat table, we need your help! Please email Mrs. Pilittowski at mpilittowski@delsearegional.us. See you there for a spooktacular time!

FALL FESTIVAL IN MULLICA HILL

Join us on the weekend of October 10th at 10AM and October 11th at 3PM on Main Street in Mullica Hill to celebrate the 54th annual Fall Festival! We will have vendors, crafters, food trucks, entertainment, live music, free pumpkin painting for kids and so much more. There will also be some ghastly Tales of the Civil War! Hear about the horrible tales about Civil War medical practices, funeral lore and town tales. You can visit both camps by candlelight and end the evening with the night firing of the Canon and a song or two on Sat. Oct 10th from 6:30-7:30PM.

ART WALK & NIGHT MARKET

Saturday, October 3rd from 5PM to 9PM, High Street W., Glassboro. This inspiring festival will include dozens of local and area glassblowers, sculptors, painters, metalsmiths and woodworkers, plus a multitude of other handcrafters that will offer their items for sale and be demonstrating their skills and craftsmanship right before your eyes! The night market offers visitors the chance to browse a variety of goods while basking in a festival atmosphere full of food and other alfresco fun in Downtown Glassboro. Families are invited to interact with artists, create and see demonstrations that emphasize the way art keeps everyone connected to the past and improves the present by preserving art as important for the future. This is a FREE family fun event and there is something for every art enthusiast or casual admirer.

HAUNTED WALK AT ALCYON PARK / SQUAD VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Enter if you dare to a Haunted Walk at Alcyon Park on October 16th from 6PM to 9PM. A Family Friendly Hour from 6PM to 7PM with no jump scares permitted! Calling all Haunted Walk Volunteers! If you want to help, bring the 2026 Pitman Haunted Walk to life on Friday, October 16th at Alcyon Lake Park we are looking for creative costumed actors to create fun and spooky characters along the trail. Prizes will be awarded for Borough Choice Award and Fan Favorite Award. Volunteer proposals are due by October 1st. Volunteers are invited to participate as costumed actors along the route adjacent to the Rotary Pavilion. Participants are encouraged to create imaginative costumes and simple themed displays or props that enhance the experience for visitors. All costumes, props and displays are subject to Parks & Recreation approval and must be capable of being set up between 5PM and 6PM and removed immediately following the event. All proposals must be submitted by October 1st. The Parks & Rec Committee will be in contact with each individual/group to provide additional details and grant formal approval of your proposal that can be submitted online.

JOY EVELYN DIPATRI

Joy Evelyn DiPatri (nee Gubbings), of Franklinville, passed away peacefully on September 8, 2026, at the age of 83. Joy is the beloved wife of the late Nicholas L. DiPatri. She is the devoted mother of Nicholas DiPatri and his wife Jean Lutes, Kim Hollywood and Deanna Ruble and her husband Dean. Loving grandmother and great-grandmother. Dear sister of John Gubbings (Cathy Knapper) and the late Glen and Gary Gubbings. Joy is the cherished daughter of the late John and Evelyn Gubbings.

Joy DiPatri was a dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and working professional. She was a self-taught software engineer and was in charge of a full team of developers before she retired in her seventies. She enjoyed travelling with her husband, Nick – less so on the back of the motorcycle in their later years, however. Joy was lucky enough to be surrounded by her family her entire life. Until the very end, she would spend hours with her daughters playing the Rummikub tile game and helping her grandkids pay for life's incidentals. A visitation to honor Joy's life will be held on Thursday, September 24th from 10 – 11AM at the Franklinville United Methodist Church, 1525 Coles Mill Road, Franklinville. The funeral service will follow at 11:00 AM, with inurnment taking place at Gloucester County Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Williamstown.

GERTRUDE 'GERTIE' GENTILE

Gertrude "Gertie" Gentile (nee Nickerson), 88, passed away surrounded by her loving family on September 11, 2026. She is survived by her daughters, Gina (Carmel) Morina and Toni (Martin) Ware; her loving grandchildren and her cherished great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her siblings, Rose Shute and Bill (Karen) Nickerson, along with many nieces and nephews who affectionately knew her as "Aunt Gert." She is predeceased by her beloved husband, John N.; her son, John Gentile; her siblings, Charlotte, Joan, Dorothy, Eleanor, Shirley, and "side-kick" Joe; as well as her parents, Joe and Lottie Nickerson.

Gertie was born in Paulsboro and raised in Swedesboro where she attended Swedesboro High School. She met her soulmate, John, at Sam's Steakhouse on Broad Street, embarking on a beautiful 53-year marriage together. Throughout her life, Gertie possessed a deep passion for caring for others. Gertie worked as a cashier at the Paulsboro Acme and a local bank teller in the early 80's and during that time she returned to school to become a Licensed Practical Nurse. She built a rewarding career in the Labor and Delivery unit at Underwood Memorial Hospital in Woodbury. Gertie retired from the hospital in 1995 to devote her time to her pride and joy: her grandchildren, who lovingly knew her as "Mom-Mom." She later continued her nursing career with Gloucester County Corrections and then as a classroom aide at Shady Lane Child Development Center.

A lifelong supporter of Paulsboro athletics, Gertie and John were deeply involved with the Paulsboro Oilers Football and Cheerleading programs in the 1970s, frequently hosting celebration parties after championship wins at the "Oilers Lounge" in the basement of their Beacon Avenue home. Her love for local sports spanned generations as she cheered on her children and grandchildren in all of the sports they participated in, especially football and wrestling. In her leisure time, Gertie enjoyed playing board games, crocheting, and painting ceramics. Above all else, her family was her entire world. A celebration of Gertie's life will take place at a later date, with details to be shared once confirmed. Arrangements and professional services are entrusted to LANDOLFI FUNERAL HOME of Paulsboro, 300 West Broad Street, Paulsboro.

JOHN J. 'GIG' GIGLIOTTI

John J. "Gig" Gigliotti, 97, of West Deptford, passed away peacefully on September 11, 2026. John grew up in the Poconos before proudly serving his country in the United States Army. Following his military service, he moved to Philadelphia, where he began a long career with the Reading Railroad. He later retired from Conrail as a conductor after 40 years of dedicated service. John was also opened and operated a deli in Northeast Philadelphia. He married the love of his life, Barbara (nee Schiavo), and together they made their home in West Deptford. In 1983, John and Barbara purchased a second home in North Wildwood, where their family spent countless summers together. It was there that John began his second remarkable career with the Wildwood Tram Cars. For 35 years, he served as a Safety Coordinator, retiring in May 2026. John truly loved the Wildwood Boardwalk and the people who made it special. In 2025, he was honored as an official Icon of the Wildwoods, a fitting recognition of the lasting impression he made on the community. John was predeceased by his beloved wife of 46 years, Barbara, in 2017; and by his siblings, Edward Gigliotti, Lena Zambone, Marion LeDonne, and Anthony Gigliotti. He is survived by his children, Frank Gigliotti of Florida; William Gigliotti (Rhonda) of West Deptford; and Diane Gigliotti of West Deptford; his sister, Rosemary "Tootie" Filingo (Mike) of Pennsylvania; and his brother, Peter Gigliotti of Pennsylvania. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Nicole Gigliotti of Philadelphia; William "Billy" Gigliotti Jr. (Emily) of West Deptford; Matthew Novak of Pennsylvania; Michael Gigliotti of West Deptford; Joseph Gigliotti of Franklinville; and Nicholas Novak of Florida; as well as his great-grandchildren. Relatives and friends are invited to his visitation on Thursday, September 17, from 10 a.m. until the Masonic Service at 12 noon at Davis and Wagner Funeral & Cremation Services, 171 Delaware Street, Woodbury. Interment with Military Honors will follow at Eglington Cemetery, Clarksboro, NJ.

JAMES T. HEALY

James "Jim" T. Healy, 75, of Woodbury, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, September 8, 2026. He was a loving and caring husband, father, brother, uncle and friend. He loved to be around his family. Jim was a proud member of the United States Navy, serving during the Vietnam War. He was a member of the Philadelphia News Paper Union 16N, which he held many leadership positions. He worked for the Philadelphia Bulletin and retired from the Gloucester County Times as a Pressman for over 40 years. He loved animals, especially his cats, and he shared his joy of feeding the squirrels. He was also an avid Philadelphia Sports fan. He is the beloved husband of 37 wonderful years to Mary Healy (nee Pipolo); father of Jason Buchanan, Tricia Mento (Jeff), Jaime Healy and special niece Christie Merget (Robert). Dear brother of Francis (Sharon), Harry (late Carol), Diane, Veronica (Christopher), Jeanie (Dave), and John (Colleen). Predeceased by his parents Eleanor and Harry Healy. He will be greatly missed by many nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family and friends. Relatives and friends are invited to attend his visitation on Saturday, September 19th from 9AM to 11AM in the McGuinness Funeral Home, Woodbury, NJ. Funeral Service at 11AM. Entombment to follow at Eglington Cemetery, Clarksboro, NJ

MICHAEL ANTHONY LINSINBIGLER

Michael Anthony Linsinbigher, age 69, on Thursday, August 27, 2026. Devoted father of Christina Marie Webb (David) of Bear, Delaware, and Michelle Anne Linsinbigher (Gage Daly) of Newfield. Dear brother of Rita Bleda of Vineland, Eileen Subers (the late Rich) of Clayton, Harry Linsinbigher (Denise) of Newfield, and the late Terry Boxczyk (Steve). He will also be fondly remembered by his many nieces and nephews. Michael was the cherished son of the late Harry Franklin Linsinbigher and Bertha Ann (née Valerio) Hernandez. He spent his early years in West Conshohocken before his family moved to Malaga, where he lived for a couple of years. He attended Clayton High School and eventually settled in Clayton, where he remained for the rest of his life. Michael dedicated his working life to the glass manufacturing industry, building a career as a machinist and millwright. He began with Bellco Glass, Inc., followed by Comar Glass, and later worked for Kimble Pharmaceutical Glass. He concluded his career with Corning Pharmaceutical Glass, where he worked until his retirement in 2020. He took great pride in his work and the many years he devoted to his trade. Michael was an avid fan of sports. His love of sports began in his youth, when he played baseball in the town Little League program and later men's softball. He also played midget football for Franklinville's Black Knights and was part of a championship team. One of Michael's greatest passions was his motorcycle. He enjoyed spending time with his friends and simply being in good company. Services are private at the convenience of the family under the direction of the BARCLAY FUNERAL HOME of Clayton.

RALPH D. MILLS

Ralph D. Mills, 90, of South Harrison, passed away peacefully on September 10, 2026. Ralph was the son of the late Ralph D. Mills, Sr. and Edna Brown Mills. After graduating from Glassboro High School and serving in the United States Army, Ralph began a long and distinguished career in banking. Over the years, he worked for several banks, ultimately serving as a loan officer with Continental Bank. Ralph was a member of the American Legion and also served as an advisor to 4-H. He took great pride in caring for his homes in South Harrison and Strathmere, spending countless hours working around the houses and maintaining the yards he loved. Faith was an important part of Ralph's life, beginning at a young age through his especially close relationship with his grandmother, Lillian Mills. She introduced him to Richwood United Methodist Church and helped him develop and grow his faith, something that remained meaningful to him throughout his life. Ralph will be deeply missed by his wife, Teresa (nee Solano); his children, David Mills, Debbie Kinney and her husband, Keith, and Dawn Gagliano and her husband, Bob; his siblings, Evelyn Seeney, Bobbi McCann, and Dottie Raffia; his grandchildren and his great-grandchildren. In addition to his parents, Ralph was predeceased by his siblings, Calvin Mills, Barbara Sheets, and Ruthann Eller. Services were held at Adams Funeral Home, 64 Broad Street, Woodstown on Tuesday, September 15. Entombment took place at Eglington Cemetery following the service. Condolences may be shared at adamsfuneralhome.org.



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PADRE PIO FESTIVAL

Our 24th Annual St. Padre Pio Festival will take place on Sunday September 20th from 11 AM to 5PM. This year we have the honor of welcoming Bishop Joseph Williams as the celebrant of the 11 AM Mass, Parish of St. Padre Pio, 4680 Dante Avenue, Vineland. Featuring Jersey Fresh Farm market, Basket Auction and 50/50, Italian Music, Religious Merchandise, BBQ Chicken Platters, Porchetta Sandwiches, Eggplant Parmesan, Sausage and Peppers, Funnel Cake/Cotton Candy and much more!

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POLICE ACTIVITY LOG



On September 11, 2026, Jefferson Cherry Hill Hospital and Jefferson Moss Rehab Institute for Brain Health (which treats veterans, national guard and first-responders with Traumatic Brain Injury) hosted members of the Cherry Hill Fire Department, Cherry Hill Police Department, and members of the Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFJROTC) from Cherry Hill High School West for a 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb. Participants climbed 1067 steps, which is the amount of first responders that were killed on 9/11, as well as the ones that have since passed away from 9/11 related illness.

HARRISON TWP PROMOTES POLICE CAPTAIN TO CHIEF OF POLICE

Last week on Tuesday, September 8th, David Marro was promoted from Captain to Chief of Police at the regularly scheduled Harrison Township Committee meeting held at the municipal building. Surrounded by family, friends, and colleagues, he expressed his gratitude for all the support he has received from his predecessors and his desire to keep the police department moving in a positive direction. During his tenure with the Harrison Township Police Department, which began in June 2003, Chief Marro has held many positions including Patrol Officer, Field Training Officer, Firearms Instructor, School Resource Officer for the Clearview Regional High School District, Investigator, Internal Affairs Officer, Accreditation Manager, Patrol Sergeant, Lieutenant, and Captain. He currently holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from West Chester University and is a graduate of the Gloucester County Police Academy. Chief Marro is also a graduate of our local Clearview Regional High School.

PROMOTIONS

Last week, the Monroe Township Police Department was proud to hold a Promotional and Swearing-In Ceremony before Mayor and Council, recognizing several members of our department as they take the next step in their careers. As a result of recent retirements within the department, the ceremony formally recognized both yesterday's promotions and also members who had previously assumed their new ranks:

Promoted to Lieutenant: Pete McBride, Anthony Rivera, John Hennessy and Donald Darcangelo. Promoted to Sergeant: John Vanleer, Andrew Sharp, William Pintozzi and RJ Heffner. The evening also included the ceremonial swearing-in of three of our newest police officers. These officers were hired earlier this year and have since successfully graduated from the police academy: Sworn In as Police Officers: Justin Rossi, Kyle Bowers and Joshua Bevan. Congratulations officers on this important milestone and continued success as you take on new roles and responsibilities.

FIRST RESPONDERS EVENING

Join us for a night to honor and a community together on Friday Oct. 23rd from 6PM to 9PM sponsored by the Woodbury City Police Department. Come out for a family-friendly evening featuring: Great Music all evening long, First Responders Vehicles to explore up close; Face painting and fun for the kids; Amazing performances by Platinum Acro & Dance; Lexi's Magical Princess Moments and delicious food from Red's Rolling Food Truck. Bring the whole family out to meet and thank our local first responders!

THIS YEAR'S ANNUAL 'RIDE TO REMEMBER' WILL BE DEDICATED TO MALAGA FIREFIGHTER BOBBY REIDER

The Gloucester County Hero Scholarship Fund proudly presents the 25th Annual Ride to Remember, honoring the emergency personnel who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty. The Ride to Remember was established in honor of Washington Township Police Corporal Steve Levy – “63,” who was killed in the line of duty on October 21, 1999. Corporal Levy was a highly trained and dedicated law enforcement officer whose service and sacrifice continue to be remembered by his family, friends, fellow officers, and community.

This year's 25th Annual Ride to Remember will be dedicated to Malaga Firefighter Robert “Bobby” Reider, III, who lost his life in the line of duty on July 10, 2026. We are honored to remember Bobby's service and sacrifice and to stand alongside his family, fellow firefighters, and the community he served.

The ride will be held on Sunday, October 11th bringing together motorcyclists, first responders, families, and supporters to honor the men and women who have given their lives while protecting and serving our communities. Proceeds from the Ride to Remember benefit the mission of the Gloucester County Hero Scholarship Fund, Inc., a nonprofit organization that provides immediate financial assistance to families following a documented line-of-duty death, supports public safety professionals who suffer catastrophic line-of-duty injuries or illnesses, and provides scholarships to help the children and families of our public safety community continue their education.

Start Time: The ride will start promptly at 10 AM. Location: The run will start from the Washington Township High School, 509 Hurffville-Crosskeys Road, Sewell, NJ, 08080 (Gloucester County) and travel the roads of South Jersey for about 63 miles. The run will end at the Washington Lake Park complex.

Registration: <https://gchero.org/ride-to-remember/registration/> All riders must register—both the operator and additional riders. Cost: \$30 for rider & \$5 passenger. (please note registration has a line for service fee this is not mandatory, you can change it to zero) Goodie bags (Pin, patch, helmet sticker) are given to first 400 registered. Questions: If you have any questions, please contact us at ride@gchero.org

THAT'S A WRAP

Washington Township Police Department has completed its participation in the annual “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” Labor Day impaired driving crackdown and announce the totals. Police officers conducted: 181 MV Stops 160 Summonses Issued 4 DWI Arrests 7 Additional Arrests. Our goal: Keep impaired drivers off our roadways and keep Washington Township safe. We thank our officers for their proactive efforts throughout the campaign and everyone who made the responsible choice to plan ahead and drive sober.

WOODBURY WEST END TRAFFIC PATTERN CHANGES

Enforcement begins this week in Woodbury as police will assist with traffic flow and parking during school drop-off and pick-up times, so be aware of restrictions surrounding West End Memorial Elementary School. Both Drop-Off areas – No Northbound turns Logan Street area- Vehicles traveling on Logan Street may NOT turn onto S. Jackson St to travel north. Queen Street remains one-way westbound from S. Jackson St. to S. Columbia St. Please follow all posted traffic signs and use caution when traveling through the area!

K-9 CERTIFICATION CONGRATULATIONS

West Deptford Police Department Congratulated K-9 Officer Ryan Layton for obtaining his certification as a Police Supervisory Canine Trainer from the John ‘Sonny Burke’ Canine Training Center. K-9 Officer Layton will now bring his extensive experience back to the West Deptford Police K-9 Unit to serve the residents of West Deptford and our surrounding area.

K-9 KENNEL DAMAGED BY STORM

The severe storms that came through Mantua Township on September 1st unfortunately damaged K0 King's kennel, leaving it unsafe and no longer usable. We are asking our amazing community to come together and help provide King with a safe, secure place to sleep. We are accepting donations toward the purchase of a new kennel. Every donation, big or small, will make a difference. Contact (856)589-0911 for more information.

CROSSING GUARDS NEEDED

Pitman Police Department is Hiring Crossing Guards and Full-time & Part Time Officers (No Certification Required). We are seeking reliable and motivated people to join our team immediately. If you are looking for a supportive environment with a competitive salary we want to hear from you. Applications can be picked up at Pitman PD Headquarters at 110 S. Broadway or online at www.pitman.org/departments/police.

EXPUNGEMENT CLINIC

Get help clearing your record and learning about your expungement options. Walk-ins Welcome! Preregistration is encouraged. October 20th from 9 AM to 5PM – Paulsboro Fire Department, 1502 Swedesboro Ave., Paulsboro. Free Legal Assistance. If you or someone you know may benefit from having a record cleared, share this information and help spread the word.

CLAYTON NATIONAL NIGHT OUT & FIRE PREVENTION NIGHT

The Community is invited to join us on Wednesday, September 23rd from 6PM to 8PM at Autumn Pasquale Park, Clayton. Meet your police officers and firefighters, safety displays & demonstrations. Fire Prevention education for all ages plus Kids activities and family fun. Combined fire and police looking forward to seeing everyone there!



On Friday, September 11th the Franklinville Fire Company was honored to attend the Reutter School Patriot Day assembly. Thank you to Mr Peters, the staff and the students for remembering.

CERTIFICATE OF REACCREDITATION

At last week's Monroe Township Council meeting, the Monroe Township Police Department was proudly presented with a Certificate of Reaccreditation from the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police (NJSACOP). This marks the fourth accreditation for the department. Program Director Mr. Harry Delgado informed Mayor and Council that only a very small percentage of New Jersey Law Enforcement agencies have achieved this status for this length of time. Accreditation is a voluntary and rigorous process that requires a law enforcement agency to demonstrate compliance with established professional standards and best practices. The process includes a comprehensive review of department policies, procedures, operations, training, and accountability measures. Earning reaccreditation reflects the department's continued commitment to professionalism, accountability, transparency, and providing the highest level of service to the community.

Township officials and the community congratulate and thank all of the officers and staff whose daily efforts help MTPD maintain these professional standards.

WASHINGTON TWP. POLICE DEPT. WEEKEND BRIEFING

Washington Township Police officers handled 250 CAD calls for service over the weekend of 9/11-9/13 including: There were 15 MV crash investigations, 30 MV stops, 5 Arrests, 3 Shoplifting incidents and 3 Domestic disputes. Here are some of the incidents our officers responded to: Shoplifting Arrest — Marshalls: Officers responded to Marshalls for a Washington Township man accused of shoplifting approximately \$462 worth of merchandise. Officers located him near Walmart, where he was uncooperative and provided false identifying information. He was charged with shoplifting, obstruction, hindering, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, and impersonation. He was lodged in the County Jail pending court proceedings. NCIC Wanted Person Arrest: Officers responded to Marshalls for a repeat shoplifter whom store personnel wanted removed from the property. Before making contact, officers learned the individual had several no-bail warrants and was listed as an NCIC wanted person out of Cumberland County. He was taken into custody and turned over to the Gloucester County Sheriff's Department for lodging in the County Jail. Warrant Arrest — MV Stop: During a motor vehicle stop, officers arrested a Hamilton man on a no-bail warrant out of Trenton. Trenton authorities were contacted, and the individual was transported and turned over to their custody. Shoplifting Arrests — Walmart: Two juvenile females from Trenton were arrested after allegedly shoplifting approximately \$3,000 worth of merchandise from Walmart. Both were processed and released to a family member. Serious Motor Vehicle Crash: Officers responded to a head-on collision on Glassboro-Cross Keys Road near Fazio's. Fortunately, no life-threatening injuries were reported. Both drivers were transported to Jefferson Hospital for evaluation. Juvenile Shoplifting — CVS: Two Washington Township juveniles were accused of shoplifting multiple items from CVS on Egg Harbor Road. Officers located them riding bicycles after they left the store. Both juveniles were turned over to their parents. Unwanted Person — Wawa: Officers responded to Wawa on the Black Horse Pike for an unwanted person. A 35-year-old Deptford man was trespassed from the property and provided transportation to his motel room. Bicycle Theft: A bicycle valued at approximately \$1,000 was reported stolen from outside Hallowed Grounds Coffee. Theft of Services: A Washington Township salon reported that a customer left after receiving hair services without paying. The individual later returned and paid for the service. Additional Theft Investigations: Officers investigated the reported theft of an estate checkbook, prescription medication allegedly taken from a residence, and a burglary to a storage unit at Public Storage on Route 42 involving the theft of collectible cards. Quality-of-Life Calls: Officers also handled neighbor disputes in Whitman Square and Washington Way Apartments, along with four noise complaints in Whitman Square, Heritage Valley, and the Egg Harbor Road area. Jefferson Hospital Invest: Officers responded to Jefferson Hospital for separate investigations involving a reported sex offense and the reported use of a controlled dangerous substance brought into the hospital by a patient's family member. These incidents represent just a portion of the calls handled by our officers throughout the weekend.

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MAN SENTENCED TO 5 YEARS FOR GUN CHARGE

Woodbury — Raymond Times, 42, of Washington Township, was sentenced to 5 years in state prison on Aug. 31, 2026 by the Honorable Renard L. Scott for unlawful possession of a weapon and cruelty to a child pursuant to a plea agreement. According to documents filed in these cases and statements made in open court: In April 2021, a Washington Township resident reported Times, who was a neighbor, had attempted to enter their home with a handgun and was observed standing out front of the house with a handgun. Times was arrested later that day at his residence, where police found a handgun and a firearms identification card. Times did not have a permit to carry a handgun in public. The cruelty or neglect of a child charge stemmed from an unrelated 2020 incident in which Times assaulted a minor victim in his care, causing injury to their face and body. Pursuant to the plea agreement both charges were adjudicated together. Times was sentenced to 5 years in state prison for second-degree unlawful possession of a firearm, to be served concurrently with a 1-year sentence for the fourth-degree cruelty neglect of a child charge. He must serve 42 months before becoming eligible for parole. The County of Gloucester complies with all state and federal rules and regulations against discrimination in admission to, access to, or operations of its programs, services, and activities. In addition, County encourages participation of people with disabilities in its programs and activities and offers special services to all residents 60 years of age and older. Inquiries regarding compliance may be directed to the County's ADA Coordinator at (856) 384-6842/ New Jersey Relay Service 711. Prosecutor Andrew B. Johns thanked the Washington Township Police Department and the GCPO Special Victim's Unit for their assistance in the investigation. Defense Counsel: Leonard Grasso, Esq.

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- **Proactive Taxpayer Defense:** Brings administrative experience managing extensive government budgets to aggressively audit zoning ordinances, fight high-density developers, and stabilize property taxes.
- **Dedicated to Franklin's Future:** Raises his five children in Franklin Township and proudly volunteers as a local youth coach.

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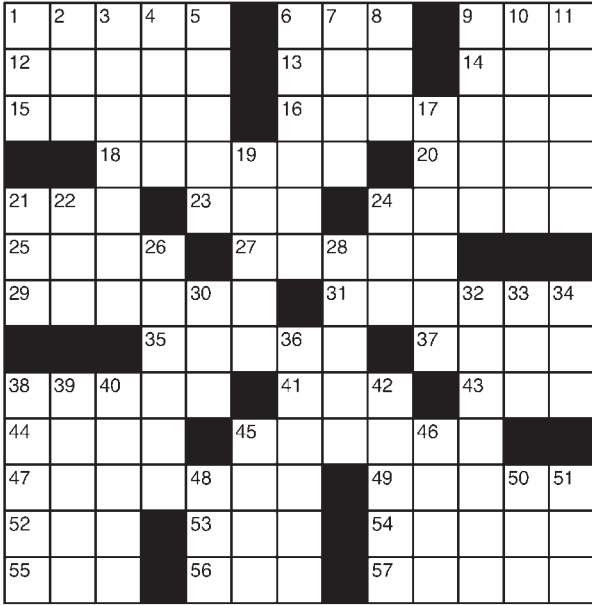
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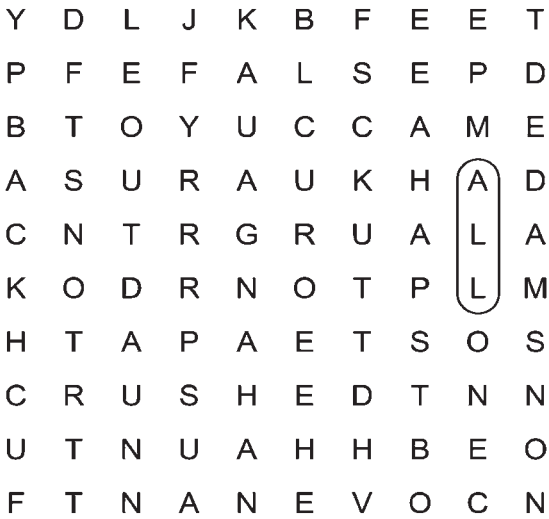
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Psalm 44:17-19a

All this came upon us, though we had not forgotten you; we had not been false to your covenant. Our hearts had not turned back; our feet had not strayed from your path. But you crushed us and made us a haunt for jackals;

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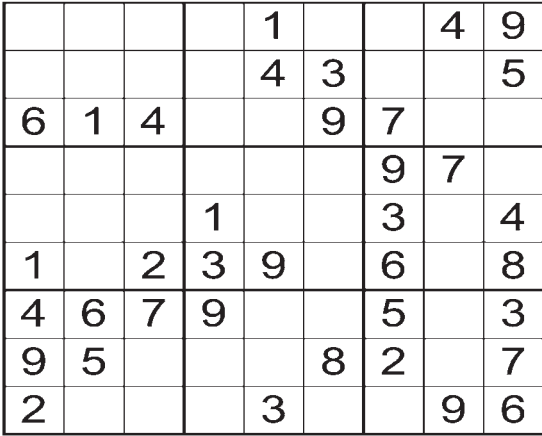


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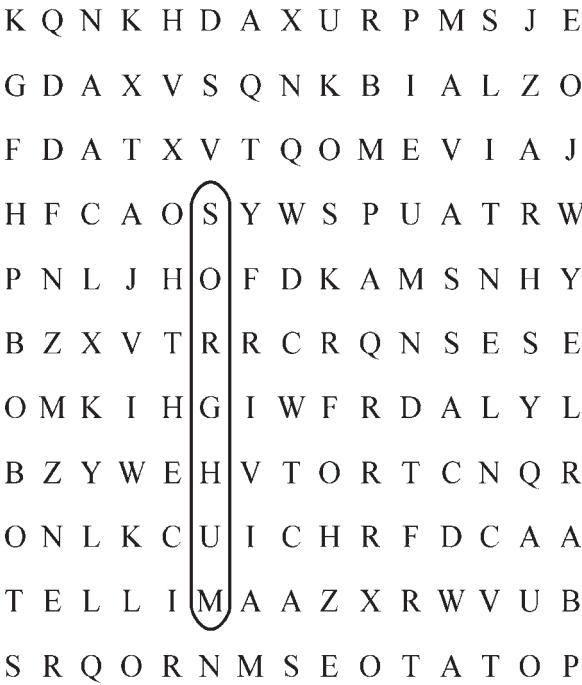
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
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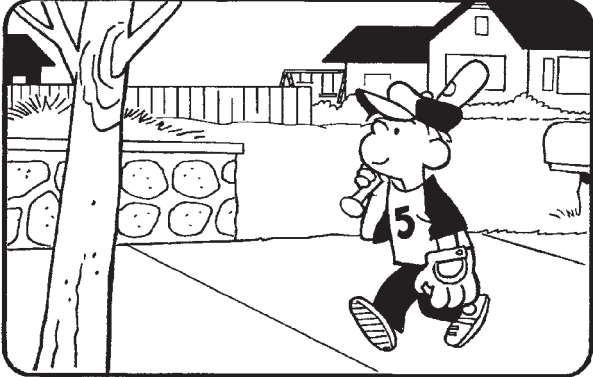
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Number is smaller. 2. Cap is different. 3. Shutter is smaller. 4. Mailbox is lower. 5. Tree is missing. 6. Wall is not as wide.

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CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, **A** is used for the three L's, **X** for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

H GEJ'O VTJO AKEFSDZC

CESUDG REK ZD. H VTJO OLD

RHCLHJN KEG, JEO OLD RHCL.

— QTJJH

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: **R** equals **C**

QINY RMVKL BMV RNKK FCMFKC

QIM GMYC "HM" MH EMACYIJHP

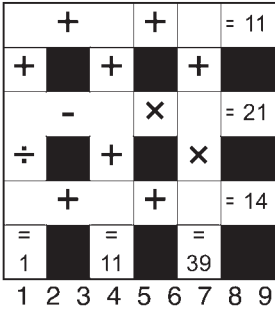
JH N KCPJEKNYJGC NEECAZKB?

NHYJ ZMLJCE.

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GO FIGURE!

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.



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- CYO
NEOGIS
♥TOSUP
GYLU
EPYCUE
EAG
♥TCSA
APNEC
♥EGL
EPYLON
GYSIO
♥ESLA

Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. **HAGNEC** becomes **CHANGE**). Prepare to use only **ONE** word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥**RATHE** becomes **HATER** or **EARTH** or **HEART**). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

YARD SALE

WOODBURY CITY WIDE STREET & YARD SALE - Participants are welcome to hold sales on both Saturday, Sept. 19th and Sunday, Sept. 20th, from 8 AM to 5PM weather permitting and at their discretion. An interactive map and address list will include all participating addresses for the weekend for those who register.

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TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You might be in line for a job change that you applied for. But be advised that you could be called on to defend your qualifications against supporters of other applicants.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Creating a new approach to an old idea is one way to get beyond a workplace impasse. There are no such problems in your personal life, where things continue to flow smoothly.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Be more forthcoming about your feelings concerning a proposed change either in your workplace or in your personal life. Your opinions are valuable. Don't keep them hidden.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A changing situation in your life needs more patience than you appear to be willing to offer. Allowing it to develop at its own pace is the wisest course you can take at this time.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) With more stability in your life -- both on personal and professional levels -- this could be a good time to strengthen relationships with both friends and colleagues.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) People have always relied on your integrity not only to get the job done, but to get it done right. So, don't be pressured by anyone into cutting corners to save time.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) While others might get rattled over unexpected changes, your ability to adapt calmly and competently helps you make a positive impression during a crucial period.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A changing environment might be daunting for some, but the adventurous Sagittarian takes it all in stride. Meanwhile, a friend from the past could awaken some meaningful memories.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) With your self-assurance rising to full strength, the bold Goat should feel confident about opening up to new ventures, as well as new relationships.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Reaching out to someone who has been unkind to you might not be easy. But in the long run, it'll prove to have been the right thing to do. A friend offers moral support.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your keen insight once again helps you work through a seemingly insoluble problem in your workplace. The weekend offers a good chance to develop new relationships.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a penchant for finding details that others would overlook. You would make a fine research scientist, designer, or editor.

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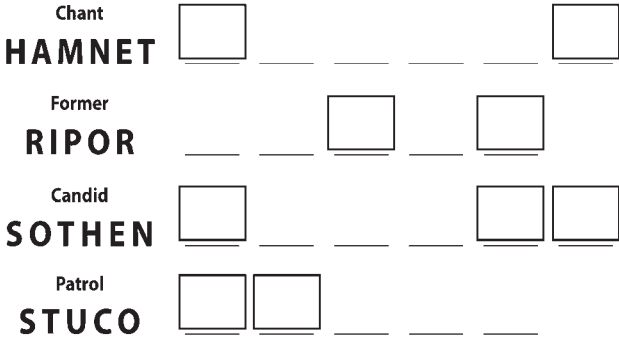
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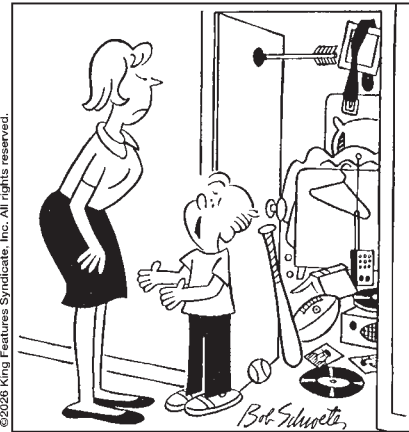
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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!



TODAY'S WORD



"Clean up my room? You act like

_____ is just
around the corner."

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SENTINEL SPORTS

Norm Merckx, Sports Editor

THE 40TH ANNUAL GLOUCESTER COUNTY KIDS' FISHING CONTEST!

By Ray Merckx

It was an incredible day on the water at Scotland Run Park filled with great weather, plenty of catches, and lots of smiles from the next generation of anglers.

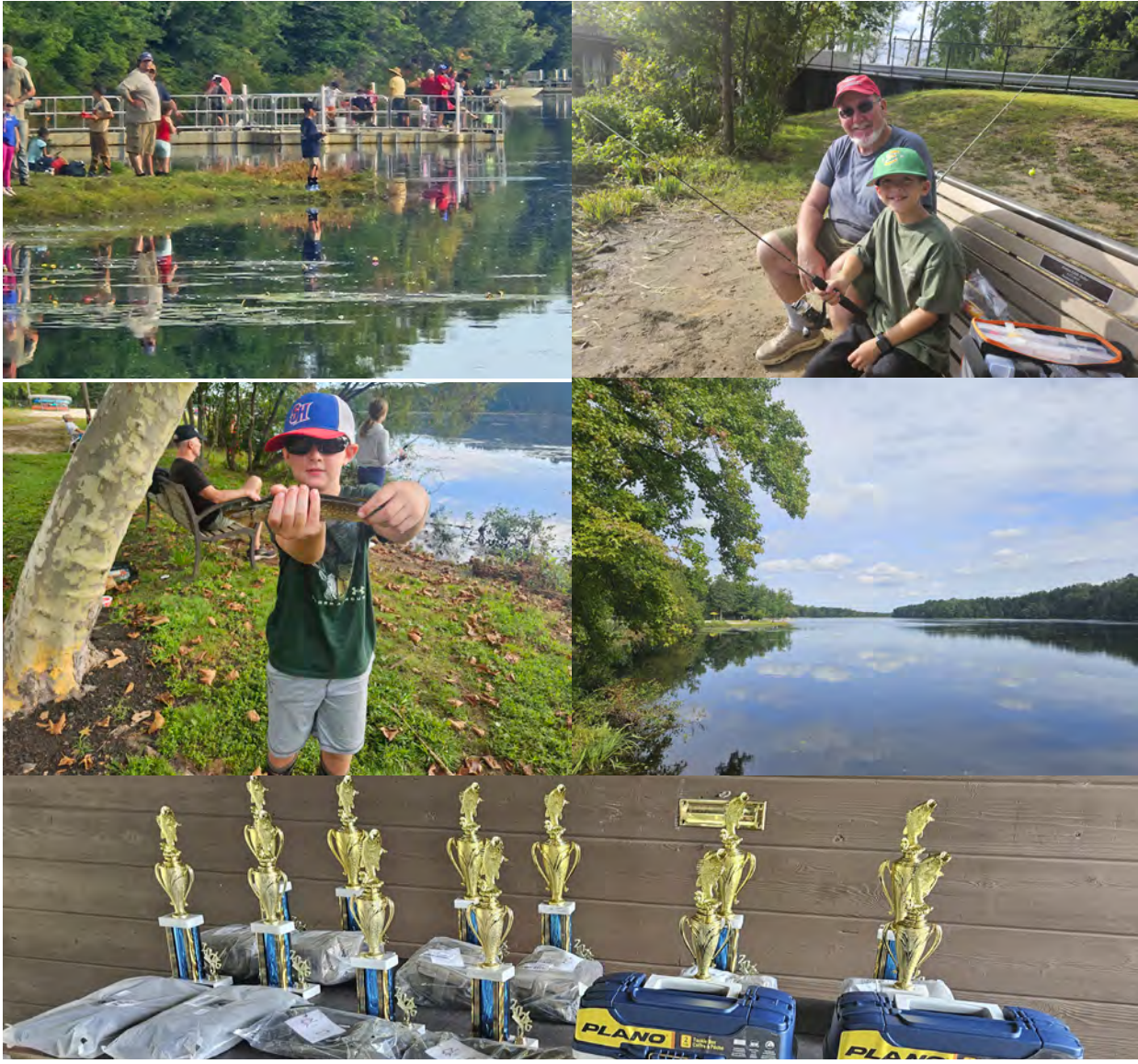
Boating Category Winners:

- Ages 7 & Under: Raylynn Earl
- Ages 8-13: 1st Place: Jack McGoldrick (9 oz Pickerel) | 2nd Place: Joseph Fedechko (8 oz Pickerel)
- Ages 14-18: 1st Place: Kaylee Ivins (12 oz) | 2nd Place: Lilyanne Williams (9 oz)

Non-Boating Category Winners:

- Ages 7 & Under: 1st Place: Carlo Dawson (5 oz) | 2nd Place: Denia Elwell (4 oz)
- Ages 8-13: 1st Place: Ariella Nielson (20 oz Catfish) | 2nd Place: Hamir Owens (16 oz Catfish)
- Ages 14-18: 1st Place: Peyton McAlister (7 oz) | 2nd Place: Collin Myscko (6 oz)

A huge thank you to the organizers and all the families who came out to make the 40th anniversary of this event so special. Check out the video to see some of the top catches of the day! You can click either the picture above or the hyperlink here to enjoy episode 8. https://youtu.be/s1AfoukIzvM?si=CmUY_5hnTh6YfnqS More photos below, Don't forget to Like and Subscribe for more local event coverage and outdoor adventures! Tight Lines.



GLASSBORO HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS HALL OF FAME ANNOUNCES 2026 INDUCTION CLASS AND INDUCTION BANQUET TICKET INFORMATION

The Glassboro High School Sports Hall of Fame is proud to announce its 2026 Induction Class, recognizing an outstanding group of former student-athletes, championship teams, and a distinguished contributor whose accomplishments, leadership, and dedication have left a lasting impact on the school's proud athletic tradition. This year will be the 50th anniversary induction for the GHS Sports Hall of Fame.

Individual inductees will include: Corey Clement (Class of 2013); Zenec Gadson (Class of 2012); Shannon Graves (Class of 2008); Steven Mecke (Class of 1976); Emily Donaldson Smith (Class of 2006); William Stewart (Class of 1985); Patricia Wible Folk (Class of 1967); David Kalapos (Class of 1974, Contributor)

Team inductees will include: 1967 Glassboro High School Boys Outdoor Track Team; 2009 Glassboro High School Boys Outdoor Track Team

The Class of 2026 will be formally inducted during a ceremony following dinner on Thursday, October 15, 2026, commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Glassboro High School Sports Hall of Fame. This milestone celebration will honor not only this exceptional class but also five decades of recognizing the athletes, coaches, teams, and contributors who have shaped the rich tradition of Glassboro High School athletics.

Selected by the Glassboro High School Sports Hall of Fame Committee, this year's class represents generations of Bulldogs whose achievements have brought distinction to Glassboro High School.

Family, friends, alumni, past inductees, and members of the Glassboro community are encouraged to mark their calendars for this special celebration. The 2026 Glassboro High School Sports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony will be held on Thursday, October 15, 2026, at Masso's Catering, South Delsea Drive, Glassboro, New Jersey. Refreshments will begin at 5:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m., with the Sports Hall of Fame induction ceremony immediately afterward.

For the 50th anniversary, the Sports Hall of Fame will specially recognize founding and long contributing members of the committee and the five Olympic Conference National Division and Sports Hall of Fame inducted teams from the 1975-1976 school year on their 50th anniversary of their winning seasons.

Tickets are \$75 each. For tickets, please contact Glassboro High School Athletics, Attn: Sarea Rochester, GHS Sports Hall of Fame, 550 Bowe Blvd., Glassboro, NJ 08028, srochester@gpsd.us, 856-652-2700, ext. 1102 or Vic Mangeney at vmang@comcast.net, 609-634-2147. For the induction, the Sports Hall of Fame will have a program and ad book. For information on placing an ad, please contact us. For more information, please contact the Glassboro High School Athletic Hall of Fame Committee at GhsHof76@gmail.com.

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BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Answers

CryptoQuote
answer

I don't want problems solved for me. I want the fishing rod, not the fish.
— Yanni

CryptoQuip
answer

What could you call people who vote "no" on something in a legislative assembly?
Anti bodies.

Even Exchange
answers

1. Dover, Diver
2. Tamper, Temper
3. Badge, Barge
4. Saint, Faint
5. Parton, Pardon
6. Carve, Curve
7. Amble, Ample
8. Hilly, Holly
9. Squeal, Squeak
10. Throne, Throng

Kids' Maze Solution

STARTS HERE

King Crossword —
Answers

Solution time: 26 mins.

SCRAMBLERS
Solution

1. Anthem; 2. Prior
3. Honest; 4. Scout

Today's Word
CHRISTMAS

Snowflakes
solution

Go Figure!
answers

1	+	4	+	6	=	11
+		+		+		
+	-	5	x	7	=	21
8	+					
9	+	2	+	3	=	14
1						39

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PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS
FOR THE YEAR 2026 PURSUANT TO
N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 ET. SEQ.
BOROUGH OF CLAYTON

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A.40A:11-1 et seq.) requires the governing body of a contracting unit to publish a notice in a newspaper authorized by law to publish its legal advertisements, setting for the nature, duration, service and amount of the contract where such contract is awarded for “professional services” without competitive bidding;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Clayton, County of Gloucester, and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Sickels & Associates, Inc., of Woodbury, New Jersey, is hereby hired to provide the necessary engineering services in connection with the 2027 NJDOT Municipal Roadway State Aid – N. Broad, Phase III for a total amount not to exceed \$72,950.00. Robert Law, CFO, for the Borough of Clayton certifies that \$72,950.00 is available through the Ordinance 14-2026.
2. That the appropriate officers of the Borough of Clayton are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with said professionals.
3. These contracts are awarded without competitive bidding as a “professional service” under the provision of the Local Public Contracts Law because the specialized training, education, experience and specialized knowledge needed for this position cannot be properly described in specifications which would have to be prepared for competitive bidding and because the law permits agreements for professional services without public advertising and bidding therefore and pursuant to the Fair and Open Process.
4. A notice of the award of these contracts shall forthwith be printed once in The Sentinel, the official newspaper of the Borough of Clayton, authorized by law to publish the legal advertisements of the Borough of Clayton, and further stating that this resolution and the annexed contract are on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of the Borough of Clayton.

ADOPTED, at the reorganization of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Clayton on September 10, 2026.

CHRISTINE NEWCOMB, Borough Clerk
The Sentinel of Gloucester County September 17, 2026
Fee \$33.00

NOTICE PUBLIC SALE/AUCTION

TAKE NOTICE the undersigned shall expose for sale in accordance with NJSA 39:4-56.6 at public sale/auction a 2019 Chevrolet VIN#2GCVKMEC3K1158110 on 9/29/26 at 11:00 am which is located at 241 E Piney Hollow Rd. Williamstown NJ which came into possession of AA Auto Salvage through abandonment or failure of owner’s to claim same.

The Sentinel of Gloucester County September 17, 24, 2026
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The complete text of legal notices for the Margaret E. Heggan Free Public Library of the Township of Washington can be found at: <https://hegganlibrary.org/index.php/legal-notices/> and also <https://www.nj.gov/state/statewide-legal-notices-list.shtml>

Dina Meddings, Library Operations Manager, Margaret E. Heggan Free Public Library of Washington Township, 606 Delsea Drive, Sewell, NJ 08080
The Sentinel of Gloucester County September 3, 17, 2026
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WEST DEPTFORD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY
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The Sentinel of Gloucester County September 3, 17, 2026
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- Statewide portal: <https://nj.gov/state/statewide-legal-notices-list.shtml> (Legal Notices Portal Under Construction pursuant to P.L. 2025 c. 72)

Karen Cosgrove, Municipal Clerk
Borough of Glassboro
The Sentinel of Gloucester County September 3, 17, 2026
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to P.L. 2025, c. 72, and effective March 1, 2026, the complete text of each legal notice of the Mantua Twp Board of Education, Gloucester County, may be obtained or viewed by the public on our official website, which is located at [Public Notices](https://www.bocfdistrict3.com/notices.php), Statewide portal: <https://nj.gov/state/statewide-legal-notices-list.shtml>

Michelle Damminger
Business Office Assistant
Mantua Township Public Schools
The Sentinel of Gloucester County September 3, 17, 2026
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Charles Stratton, Jr. Chairman / Jeffrey Faubell, Secretary
The Sentinel of Gloucester County September 10, 17, 2026
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PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF ADOPTION
BOROUGH OF CLAYTON

ORDINANCE #21-2026
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE
CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON, CHAPTER 88
UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT, OF THE CODE BOOK OF THE
BOROUGH OF CLAYTON

The foregoing Ordinance was finally adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Clayton on September 10, 2026.

CHRISTINE NEWCOMB, Borough Clerk
The Sentinel of Gloucester County September 17, 2026
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PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF ADOPTION
BOROUGH OF CLAYTON

ORDINANCE 22-2026
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE EXISTING PERSONNEL
POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUAL IN THE
BOROUGH OF CLAYTON
(PERSONNEL, BOROUGH)

The foregoing Ordinance was finally adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Clayton on September 10, 2026.

CHRISTINE NEWCOMB, Borough Clerk
The Sentinel of Gloucester County September 17, 2026
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PUBLIC NOTICE
BOROUGH OF CLAYTON
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Christine Newcomb, Borough Clerk
Borough of Clayton
The Sentinel of Gloucester County September 3, 17, 2026
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TAKE NOTICE pursuant to P.L. 2025, c. 72, the complete text of each legal notice of the Wenonah Free Public Library, may be obtained or viewed by the public on the Library’s official internet website as follows:

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FRANKLINVILLE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
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LEGAL NOTICES

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- Statewide portal: <https://nj.gov/state/statewide-legal-notices-list.shtml>

Craig Weidner, Chairman
Thomas Coulborn, Secretary
The Sentinel of Gloucester County September 3, 17, 2026
Fee \$30.00



EUGENE DRUCKER AND FRIENDS KICK OFF 19TH SEASON

Eugene Drucker and Friends return to Music at Bunker Hill on September 20, 2026 at 3:00 pm. Multiple Grammy winner and former Emerson Quartet member Drucker is joined by William Frampton, viola; Roberta Cooper, cello; and Gili Melamed-Lev, piano in a program of Bach, Bruch, Beethoven, and Brahms, culminating with Schumann’s Piano Quartet in E flat.

On October 18, the long-running mezzo-soprano and guitar duo of Grammy winners Sasha Cooke and Jason Vieuxau present Songs of the Americas, with works from Granados and Rodrigo to Copland and Sondheim.

Flautist Mimi Stillman and Dolce Suono Ensemble return with Musica en tus Manos on November 22 with music by Gaubert, Rorem, Tian, a NJ premiere by Jacob Banks, and a Latin Set that is sure to raise the temperature in the hall.

Spring concerts feature Elizabeth Starr Masoudnia, English hornist of the Philadelphia Orchestra on 4/4/27 (The Hutchins Ensemble), pianist Michelle Cann 5/23/27 (Women of Chicago’s Black Renaissance), and Schwarz and Bournaki Cello & Piano Duo 6/6/27 (music of Arthur Foote, Beethoven and Brahms).

Concerts are held at Bunker Hill Presbyterian Church, 330 Greentree Road, Sewell, NJ. Phone (856) 494-6077. Tickets are \$30 for adults and seniors, \$5 for students with ID. Advance online ticket purchase is advised. Hybrid format offers live and remote viewing. More information is available at www.musicatbunkerhill.org.

This program is made possible in part by funding from The Gloucester County Cultural and Heritage Commission at Rowan College of South Jersey, a partner of the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State and the National Endowment for the Arts.

About Music at Bunker Hill - Founded in 2008, Music at Bunker Hill brings great performers to the heart of southern New Jersey, enhancing the cultural life of our community by preserving the tradition of classical music while exploring other musical genres. With outreach concerts in schools and libraries, our artists inspire the next generation with their passion for the arts and standards of excellence. Our goal is to make great music affordable, accessible, and appealing to as many people as possible.



Eugene Drucker
and Friends

9/20/26 • 3:00 pm

MUSIC at Bunker Hill

Bunker Hill Presbyterian Church
330 Greentree Road
Sewell, NJ 08080 (856) 494-6077

SOUNDS LIKE AMERICA

In a musical conversation developed for her NPR series, America in Pursuit, renowned pianist and thought leader Lara Downes presents a unique program of live music and conversation with Pulitzer Prize and Grammy Award-winning singer, multi-instrumentalist, and cultural historian Rhiannon Giddens. This concert and conversation will reflect on the roots and routes of American music, and the crossroads where traditions come together. Exploring our nation’s story through its music, Downes and Giddens share iconic songs from Amazing Grace to Paul Simon’s American Tune, tracing our history and celebrating our shared hopes and struggles. This program, which also includes multimedia work produced via Downes’ national initiative The Declaration Project, invites audiences to find common ground and shared purpose in imagining the possibilities of the American future. Closed Captioning is available at this performance in addition to our standard accommodations.

Join us on Friday, October 30th, at 7:30 PM at the Pfleeger Concert Hall. Ticket prices: \$35 / \$25 / \$10 Ticket link: go.rowan.edu/america

ANNUAL PUBLIC NOTICE:

In accordance with USDE Guidelines IV-O, Title VI: 34 C.F.R. § 100.6 (d), this notice shall serve to advise students, parents, employees, and the general public that all Career and Technical Education opportunities shall be offered to all students regardless of race, color, national origin, gender, or disability.

During the 2026-27 academic year, the Delsea Regional High School District shall offer the following Career and Technical opportunities regardless of race, color, national origin, gender, or disability as described in the Program of Studies for Accounting, Sales/Marketing, Architectural Drafting, Radio/TV Production, Horticulture, Web Design, Digital Arts, Computer Programming, Music Technology, Engineering and Technology, and Building Construction and made available online:

[Delsea Regional’s Curriculum Handbook 2026-27 School Year](#)

Additionally, the District will place this notice in the newspaper of record annually.

The admission and criteria for selection in career and technical education programs do not restrict any race, color, sex, national minority origin, or students with disabilities from participation in our career programs. Applicants are required to meet the individual high school course’s prerequisites, and questions can be directed to the Career and Technical Education Supervisor, Building Principal, or District Compliance Officers, as listed below. The District assures that the career programs are available to all pupils and that all limited English proficient pupils and pupils with disabilities will not encounter barriers for admission and participation in such programs.

District Compliance Officers:

Affirmative Action Officer: Mr. Zachery Van Der Wall
856-694-0100, Ext. 241
242 Fries Mill Road, Franklinville, NJ 08322

Title IX Coordinator: Mr. Ken Schout
856-694-0100, Ext. 231
242 Fries Mill Road, Franklinville, NJ 08322

Section 504 Compliance Officer: Mrs. Mary Beth Warfield
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AVISO PÚBLICO ANUAL:

De conformidad con las Directrices IV-O del USDE, Título VI: 34 C.F.R. § 100.6 (d), este aviso tiene como objetivo informar a los estudiantes, padres, empleados y al público en general que todas las oportunidades de Educación Profesional y Técnica se ofrecerán a todos los estudiantes independientemente de su raza, color, origen nacional, género o discapacidad.

Durante el año académico 2026-27, el Distrito Escolar Regional de Delsea ofrecerá las siguientes oportunidades de formación profesional y técnica, independientemente de la raza, el color, el origen nacional, el género o la discapacidad, tal como se describe en el Programa de Estudios para Contabilidad, Ventas/Marketing, Dibujo Arquitectónico, Producción de Radio/TV, Horticultura, Diseño Web, Artes Digitales, Programación Informática, Tecnología Musical, Ingeniería y Tecnología, y Construcción de Edificios, y que se pondrán a disposición en línea:

[Manual del plan de estudios de Delsea Regional para el año escolar 2026-27](#)

Además, el Distrito publicará este aviso anualmente en el periódico oficial.

Los criterios de admisión y selección en los programas de educación técnica y profesional no restringen la participación de estudiantes por motivos de raza, color, sexo, origen étnico minoritario o discapacidad. Los solicitantes deben cumplir con los requisitos de cada escuela secundaria.cursosPara obtener información sobre los requisitos previos y cualquier pregunta, puede dirigirse al supervisor de Educación Técnica y Profesional, al director del centro educativo o a los responsables de cumplimiento normativo del distrito, según se indica a continuación. El distrito garantiza que los programas de formación profesional están disponibles para todos los alumnos y que los alumnos con dominio limitado del inglés y los alumnos con discapacidades no encontrarán obstáculos para su admisión y participación en dichos programas.

Funcionarios de Cumplimiento del Distrito:

Responsable de Acción Afirmativa: Sr. Zachery Van Der Wall
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242 Fries Mill Road, Franklinville, NJ 08322

Coordinador del Título IX: Sr. Ken Schout
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GARDEN CLUB HONORS LORRAINE KEIFER

The Country Garden Club honored the Garden Club’s Sponsor Lorraine Kiefer last week at their regular meeting by dedicating a bench and plaque in the Franklin Township Library’s Children’s Garden. Helyn Utley founded the Country Garden Club on October 11, 1984 with the encouragement of Lorraine Kiefer. After Helyn & her husband Wallace retired to Florida, with Lorraine’s strong support, the Country Garden Club has continued successfully for the past 42 years.

Lorraine Kiefer’s many accomplishments include Triple Oaks Nursery, South Jersey Unit of the Herb Society, Author of several books, Newspaper columns and articles, Speaker at the Philadelphia Flower Show, plus other Garden Clubs, Schools and Organizations. Sharing her knowledge of nature and her Polish ancestry, she has served as the Clubs Vice President & on the Publicity Committee. Over the years she has shared flowers, arrangements & gift certificates to the Club and many local organizations.

“One of my favorite memories of getting to know Lorraine was shopping at her first Shop which was the tractor shed at her home. I learned so much from her over the years,” said Garden Club member Joye Brooks in a special program presentation booklet. “All the years I have known Lorraine, I have found her to be a very special and kind person willing to go out of her way to help. Her botanical knowledge and love of flowers and plants are unequal to anyone. I know I am so glad that I worked alongside of her during my affiliation with the Country Garden Club learning many things from her.”



Franklin Township Library celebrated Library Card Sign-Up Month with free community mini-golf on Monday, September 14! Generously funded by The Friends of Franklin Township Library, this event welcomed all ages to putt 9 holes in and around the library’s Children’s Garden, reminding everyone that having a library card is a hole-in-one!



Children and their grown-ups visited the Children’s Garden after Rhyme Time last week to take a peek at the Monarch chrysalis.

LEGAL NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE
SYNOPSIS OF 2025 REPORT OF AUDIT

TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN FIRE DISTRICT NO. 3
Combined Comparative Balance Sheets
Governmental Funds

ASSETS	2025	2024
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 442,069.17	\$ 399,793.45
Investments - Length of Service Awards Program	369,120.55	381,977.83
Prepaid Expenses	11,765.78	10,242.57
Total Assets	\$ 822,955.50	\$ 792,013.85

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES		
Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	\$ 50,697.80	\$ 27,198.95
Fund Balances:		
Nonspendable	11,765.78	10,242.57
Restricted	370,382.85	383,240.13
Unassigned	390,109.07	371,332.20
Total Fund Balances	772,257.70	764,814.90
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 822,955.50	\$ 792,013.85

TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN FIRE DISTRICT NO. 3
Combined Comparative Statements of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Governmental Funds

REVENUES	2025	2024
Operating Grant Revenue	\$ 626.79	\$ 626.79
Amount to be Raised by Taxation to Support the District Budget	308,765.44	300,565.94
Non-Budgetary Revenues	8,757.52	57,405.07
Restricted:		
Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP) - Contribution (P.L. 1997, c. 388)	5,320.10	23,475.90
Unrealized Gain / (Loss) on Investments	10,459.41	10,558.39
Total Revenues	353,929.26	392,632.09

EXPENDITURES		
Operating Appropriations:		
Administration	67,987.11	56,477.36
Cost of Operations and Maintenance	107,646.54	88,148.51
Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP) - Contribution (P.L. 1997,c.388)	25,320.10	23,475.90
Debt Service	96,895.92	96,895.92
Restricted:		
Administrative Charges	725.00	675.00
Benefit Payments	47,911.79	14,768.54
	346,486.46	280,441.23
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	7,442.80	112,190.86
Fund Balance, January 1	764,814.90	652,624.04
Fund Balance, Ending	\$ 772,257.70	\$ 764,814.90

RECOMMENDATIONS

None.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The above synopsis was prepared from the Report of Audit of the Township of Franklin Fire District No. 3, County of Gloucester, for the calendar year 2025 submitted by Evan J. Palmer of PKF O'Connor Davies, LLP, Certified Public Accountants & Consultants. The information included herein is not intended to represent complete financial information as presented in the Report of Audit. A copy of the Report of Audit is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Fire District Secretary.

Jeffrey E. Faubell, Secretary
The Sentinel of Gloucester County September 17, 2026
Fee \$99.00

RCSJ MARKS 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF SEPT. 11

Deptford Twp. — In recognition of the 25th anniversary of September 11, 2001, Rowan College of South Jersey (RCSJ) will honor those who lost their lives and recognize the spirit of service that continues to bring communities together through RCSJ Serves: A College-Wide Week of Service, Sept. 8–11 on the Gloucester and Cumberland campuses.

RCSJ Serves kicked off on Sept. 8 at 10 a.m. at the Gloucester campus, where RCSJ President, Brenden Rickards, thanked students, staff, faculty, and nonprofit partners for dedicating their time to their communities:

“RCSJ Serves reflects who we are as a college and as a community. In honoring the 25th anniversary of September 11, we are reminded of the strength that comes from coming together, supporting one another, and serving others. Through this week of service, our students, faculty, and staff are putting compassion into action and demonstrating that even small acts of kindness can make a lasting difference in the lives of others and throughout our communities,” Rickards said.

The Week of Service marked a first-time cross-collaboration between RCSJ, RCSJ Foundation, Volunteer Centers of South Jersey (VCSJ), Jersey Cares, and AmeriCorps. RCSJ Serves also received support by a grant from 9/11 Day.

Week of Service projects in collaboration with nonprofit partners included: Food Drive Collection – Campus Care (VCSJ); Hygiene Project Kit Packing – Hygiene Project; Flower Power Rock Painting – Flower Power, Inc.; Wellness Wall & Pantry Project – The Pantry at CWS; Community Hero Cards – Project Appreciation (VCSJ); Veterans Freedom Blankets – New Jersey Veterans Memorial Home at Vineland; Crochet a Scarf for those in Need – Crocheting for a Cause (VCSJ); BookSmiles Book Bin Painting – BookSmiles

To get involved with service projects, participants could register online or walk-in volunteer by signing up at the non-profit tables. Service projects varied based on date and campus location.

Dr. Kellie W. Slade, executive director, Student Services, RCSJ, ran the Veterans Freedom Blankets project, where volunteers made no-sew red and blue fleece blankets for the residents of the New Jersey Veterans Memorial Home at Vineland. Slade shared, “Because it [RCSJ Serves] is a 9/11 memorial honoring service men and women, we thought freedom blankets would be the most appropriate way to say thank you to our veterans and remind them that we appreciate them, who they are, what they fought for, and for our freedoms.” She continued, “Students getting involved for the reward of doing something for others is a great way to not only provide service, but to reap the meaningful reward behind it.”

RCSJ student, Tania M., volunteered with her classmates for the Flower Power Rock Painting project. The rocks painted for Flower Power, Inc. will be donated to the Seeds of Hope Garden at MD Anderson Cancer Center at Cooper, bringing encouragement, comfort, and inspiration to patients and families facing cancer. Tania shared, “I think it’s really important to be involved in uplifting the community, especially when it comes to people going through difficult situations.”

Throughout RCSJ Serves, there were many instances of classmates volunteering together. RCSJ students and friends, Cooper D. and Joe H., explained why they felt the need to get involved. “Volunteering felt like the right thing to do,” said Cooper. “Just giving back to the community.” “Yeah,” Joe added, “Giving back to the community is important to me.” Michele Francesconi, vice president, Capacity Building, Training & Strategic Initiatives, VCSJ, spoke to community members about carrying forward the ideals of service, compassion, and unity, even after the week-long event. “RCSJ Serves really isn’t about four days in September. Our hope is that it becomes something much bigger – a culture of service at RCSJ where students, faculty, staff, nonprofits, and our surrounding communities are connected throughout the year,” he said.



In recognition of the 25th anniversary of September 11, 2001, RCSJ Students volunteer for RCSJ Serves: A College-Wide Week of Service on both the Gloucester and Cumberland campuses.