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Brigantine Election Results

By Tom Morgan

Brigantine has 6,517 registered voters; that's down 263 voters from 2025. Brigantine has 4 voting wards. Ward 1 is mostly the golf course area. Ward 2 is 14th Street North to 20th Street and a small portion of the West Shore Drive area. Ward 3 is A Zone from 21st St. to Ross Drive. Ward 4 is most of the South End. Each ward has three voting machines. Brigantine has a reputation for being a Republican town, so you might be surprised that voter registration records show that Brigantine is 25% Democrat, 46% Republican, and 28% Independent or unaffiliated. 2,697 Brigantine residents voted in the last gubernatorial election and 2,536 voted in Tuesday's mid-term election.

Brigantine Mayor Vince Sera ran unopposed and garnered 2,063 votes across all four wards. Councilmen at Large Neil Kane and Mike Riordan also ran unopposed, with Kane gathering 1972 votes and Riordan getting 1974 votes. The countywide voting showed a different story, with the Democrats winning every local race, while in Brigantine, the support for the Republican

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Project Updates

Brigantine City Council authorized an award of contract to Lexa Concrete in the amount of $603,662.26 for a Bayshore Avenue Intersection Improvement Project at the Municipal Boat Ramp area. Mayor Vince Sera explained, "The city is doing a complete redesign of the intersection at Fifth Street and Bayshore Avenue. The project will include new crosswalks and redesigned curbs and sidewalks to improve pedestrian safety and traffic flow through the intersection. The goal is to make the area safer, especially during the summer months when we have a lot of activity at the boathouse and boat ramp." The start time for the project hasn't been announced, but you can expect numerous detours, as the project will affect several streets and intersections.

City Council also approved a $754,790 contract with MRC Recreation for the construction of an all-inclusive playground, including rubber recycling, at East Shore Drive. Mayor Sera said the project will create an ADA-accessible playground where children of all abilities can play and enjoy time with their families.

The city has worked with MRC Recreation, a firm that specializes in inclusive playgrounds, to develop the project. City Council approved two contracts for the playground, one for $505,000 and the other for $249,000. The city has secured signif-

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The 8th graders from the Brigantine Football Team, along with the cheerleaders and their coaches, gather for a photo at their 8th-grade sendoff game.



On Saturday, October 31, at approximately 3:30 p.m., a whale surfaced just offshore near the Brigantine seawall. It was an extraordinary sight, with the whale repeatedly emerging from the water, at times appearing to surface with its mouth open. (Photo by Dana Belletiere)

Football Pool

WEEK 8

Well, Brigantine, Week 8 brought a close finish to the football pool! Three players came within one pick of perfection, and Monday night's points settled the prizes. Our eligible entries averaged about 3.7 incorrect guesses across the 12 Sunday matchups. Arizona's win over Dallas was the biggest stumbling block, catching 53 of our players. Washington's victory over the Eagles tripped up 34 entries, while Denver's win over Kansas City fooled 33. Those games made quite a difference on the scorecards!

Bob Coates, Judy Standifer and Gregg Dambrosio each finished with an impressive 11 correct picks out of 12. All three picked Dallas, leaving the Cowboys' loss as their only miss. That sent the decision to the Monday night points tiebreaker. The Bears beat the Seahawks 34-17 for a combined 51 points. Bob's guess of 47 was just four points away, earning him first place and a gift card to Brigantine Beach Bagels & Deli. Congratulations, Bob!

Judy's guess of 42 was next closest, nine points away, taking the run-

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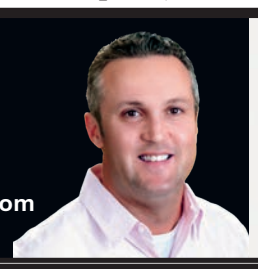
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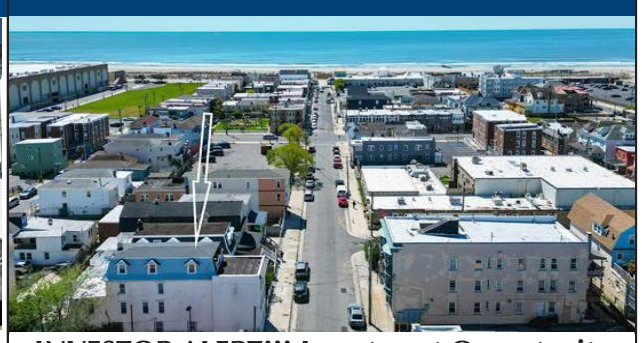
Beautifully Maintained Coastal 3-story single-family home with ocean views! Features 4 spacious bedrooms and 3 full bathrooms, including a new third-floor primary suite with an ensuite bathroom, a walk-in closet, and 2 private ocean-viewdecks. First-floor has a family or den/office space, and three bedrooms.

1 BLOCK TO THE BEACH!!
211 7TH STREET SOUTH



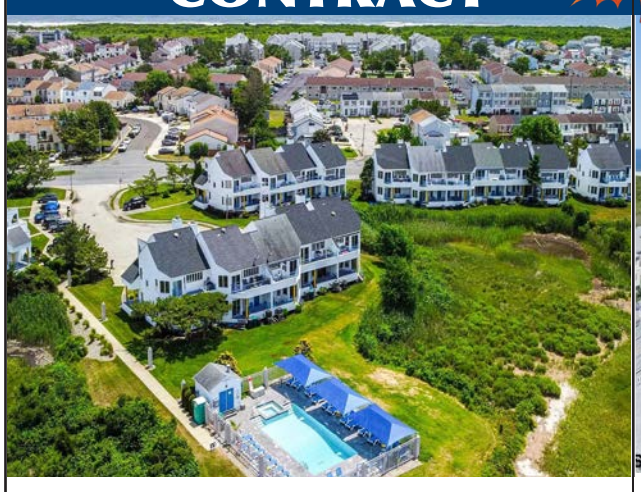
Southside first-floor, three-bedroom, two-bath condo located just one block from the beach on 7th Street. Great rental history, coming fullyf urnished, nice backyard, outside shower, storage and plenty of parking. Walking and biking distance to restaurants and shops, the yacht club, Elk's Lodge, and the 18-hole public Links golf course and clubhouse.

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545 LAGOON BLVD.

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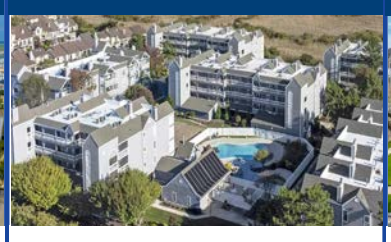
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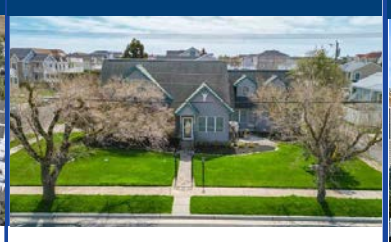
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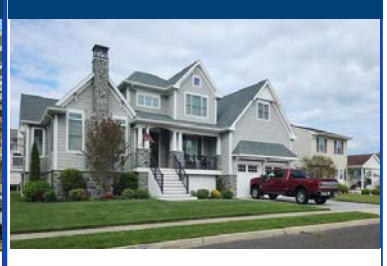
2100 WEST BRIGANTINE AVE.

SOLD!



218 S ROOSEVELT BLVD

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207 23RD ST. S

WINTER RENTAL



Winter rental opportunity available from September 20th to May 15th. This stunning, newly remodeled home features: 2 bedrooms and 2bathrooms, a dedicated office space, tasteful furnishings and newer appliances. Spacious fenced in yard, large back deck, BBQ grill, and ample parking. $1,600/month

WINTER RENTAL



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SUMMER RENTAL



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SUMMER RENTAL



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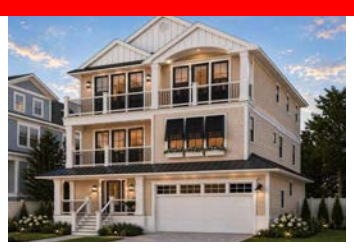
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UNDER CONTRACT



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JUST SOLD



7 McDermott Pl. - $639,000

UNDER CONTRACT



301 29th St.

JUST SOLD



5209 Waterview Drive In Seapoint - $995,000

A Prayer for Our Veterans

Oh God, Our Heavenly Father, You have blessed us with brave men and women who are willing to defend our freedom. May Your protection and grace surround them each day. Let Your healing hand be upon those who suffer wounds and injuries. May those who have made the ultimate sacrifice rest forever in Your Holy Presence. Comfort the families who mourn and are left to remember the precious lives of their loved ones. Help us to honor and support them. Let us ever be mindful of each sacrifice made on behalf of the American people by our sons, daughters, husbands, wives, mothers, fathers, and friends. Amen



Brigantine Election Results

Party was evident. Countywide: Democrat Cory Booker won the Senate over challenger Murphy 55% to 41%. Brigantine voted Murphy 1576 and Booker 867.

Countywide: The House race saw incumbent (R) Jeff Van Drew lose 43% (39,902) to challenger (D)

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Zack Mullock 56% (51,267). Brigantine voted Mullock 900 and Van Drew 1626.

Countywide: Atlantic County Sheriff race saw Democrat Sean Riggin 53% best Incumbent Joe O'Donoghue 45%. Brigantine voted O'Donoghue 1667 and Riggin 761.

Countywide: County Clerk Lisa Bender 54% bested Joe Giralo 45%. Brigantine voted Giralo 1563 and Bender 847

Countywide: Commissioner At Large was the closest vote, with Democrat challengers Jonathan Marcellus 27.53% and Kyle Gornick 27.42% besting incumbents John Risley 22.71% and June Byrnes 22.34%. Brigantine voted Risley 1651, Byrnes 1646, Marcellus 823; Gornick 829.

Congressman VanDrew's upset loss could have some effect on our area due to the fact that our sand dunes and beaches, just like other municipalities along the coast, have experienced significant sand loss. Plus, we have the issue of protection needed at the far north promenade area. Mayor Vince Sera and local officials have been working with Congressman Van Drew on plans to extend the seawall in North Brigantine and place large jetty stones along the North End

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Glory S. was one of the winners of the BCS Halloween art contest.



This mighty swordfish was caught off the shores of Brigantine last week.

Alan Weidner

Broker Salesperson

Bay to the Beach ... All Within Reach

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This renovated condo features features hardwood floors, two nice size bedrooms, in unit washer and dryer, outside enclosed shower, storage, a sunny spacious living area and private deck.

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159 Sheridan Square 2

CONDO NEAR BEACH



Beach Block 2BR/2BA Condo – Excellent Condition! Beautiful second-floor, two-bedroom, two-bath unit in excellent condition and just steps from the beach.

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Here is a 4 bedroom, 3 ½ bath home that is 1 block to the Beautiful Brigantine Beaches, 1 block to the Bay, and a short walk to Restaurants, Ice Cream, a Gym, Shopping and more.

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231 S 10th St

SOLD LAST WEEK



This beautiful 4 Bedroom 2 Bath home is move in condition. Plenty of room for family and friends with 2 bedrooms and a full bath on each floor. First floor bath was recently remodeled with large tile shower.

OFFERED AT $749,000 -

1313 Quimet Road

SOLD LAST WEEK



Built New in 2020. This 4 bedroom, 3 ½ bath home has many custom features and touches. First floor featuring two master suites and two additional bedrooms and a third full bath.

OFFERED AT $1,649,000 -

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SOLD



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Birding Brigantine

By Steve Sarratore

My Favorite Bird

When friends discover that I am a birder, they often ask, "What is your favorite bird?" This is like asking a parent which is their favorite child! How could I possibly choose among the amazing birds I have seen over the years? Would I pick the intensely orange Baltimore Oriole that got me started on this passionate endeavor? Or perhaps the intricately patterned Wood Duck or Common Loon? What about the gorgeous Cinnamon Teal I once spotted swimming in a pond in a shaft of sunlight during a break in a rainstorm? How could I not choose the Great Gray Owl, only viewed after a three-hour drive through the plains of Manitoba? Maybe I should select the first Red-flanked Bluetail ever seen in the eastern United States that I was lucky enough to see right here in New Jersey on Christmas Day in 2023. Can I really pick a favorite?

Well, keep it a secret, but the answer is "yes." Of all the birds I have watched, none quite captures my imagination like the Northern Gannet. There are certainly more familiar birds, and there are plenty that are more colorful. But when a gannet appears offshore, it has a way of making everything else seem unimportant.

Perhaps it is the bird's extraordinary appearance. A Northern Gannet looks as though it was designed by an aeronautical engineer rather than evolved by nature. Its long, narrow wings, streamlined body and pointed bill and tail give it an almost futuristic appearance. Its wingspan can exceed six feet. Adults are mostly brilliant white, with black wingtips and a pale orange wash on their heads. Against the blue-gray ocean, they are unmistakable.

And then there is the way they fly. A gannet gliding over the water seems almost effortless. It can soar with remarkably little wing movement, using the wind as if it were an invis-

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This veteran was thrilled with the colors of this blanket lovingly made by Camille Forrest at the Mobile Stand Down on October 28th.



This dynamic duo brought their catches by Riptide Bait & Tackle to have them recorded and featured in the Times. Make sure to bring your catch in!





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Congratulations on being named one of Philadelphia Style Magazine's 2026 Top Performing Real Estate Agents!

Whew, We survived (the election, of course)! Now it's time to get the 'house' in order, literally and figuratively! Go look at the summer remnants still strewn around the yard, front porch, and decks.

If you are selling or contemplating putting your house on the market try to 'store' the items, especially the outdoor furniture, in the garage or storage shed. Nothing is more cumbersome for a photographer or an agent than moving that stuff outside and then back inside and then outside again for a showing. Landscaping is another project that can't be overlooked. The garden that once produced your tomatoes (or not) and the flowers past their bloom need your attention. If you tried this summer to bring the outside in with 'fake' flowers please don't just dust them off and stow them away—throw them away. If you could put all the knick-knacks away - we know you're at the beach. At showings, people do open the closets, especially the linen closets. So, if you have the room, the beach towels need a place of their own until next summer. Hopefully, you didn't overdo the fall trend since you'll just be storing those items until the holidays. My neighbor already has the Christmas lights on display- let's enjoy Thanksgiving. For

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Shown above are members Rita and Karen of the St. Thomas Women's Club and Ken, Santa Claus (Ray), Pete, and Dennis of the Brigantine Knights of Columbus setting up for a rush of Brigantine Trick-or-Treaters.



Camille Forrest and Mary McLeish distributed Camille's beautiful blankets and hats made by Jane Lacey to at-risk and homeless veterans at the Mobile Stand Down on October 28th.

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of the promenade to prevent a breach and slow erosion. Recently, Congressman Jeff Van Drew led federal and state officials on a tour of South Jersey shore communities, including Brigantine, following the nor'easter that battered the coast over the last weekend of September in order to coordinate emergency funding requests for dune reconstruction, beach replenishment, and a potential permanent coastal funding mechanism. Getting permanent funding for beach issues in our area is crucial. Let's hope that the information collected by state and federal officials about our beach conditions is passed on to the new Congressman Zack Mullock so that Brigantine can get state and federal funding for our beaches and dunes.



The Zumba family at the Brigantine Community Center wears orange in support of Complex Regional Pain Syndrome Awareness Day on November 2nd.



The BCS 4th grade class was all dressed up and ready for their Halloween parade.

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Ongoing Projects

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icant funding through the New Jersey Green Acres program, including a $565,500 grant and a $184,500 loan. This outside funding will significantly reduce the cost to Brigantine taxpayers. The city has also completed the required Green Acres approvals and certifications. "We are looking forward to getting construction underway," Sera added.

City Council also approved a contract to Northeast Electrical for $65,822 for the replacement of LED light poles at the city hall parking lot. The Brigantine Times will keep you updated on any developments or start times for the East Shore Inclusive Playground and Bayshore Intersection Improvement projects.



Andy Solari, third from left and holding his award, was selected Knight of the Month for September. Andy is a Charter Member of Council #7020 and a Super Senior at 90+. He has contributed in so many ways.

Police Training Notice

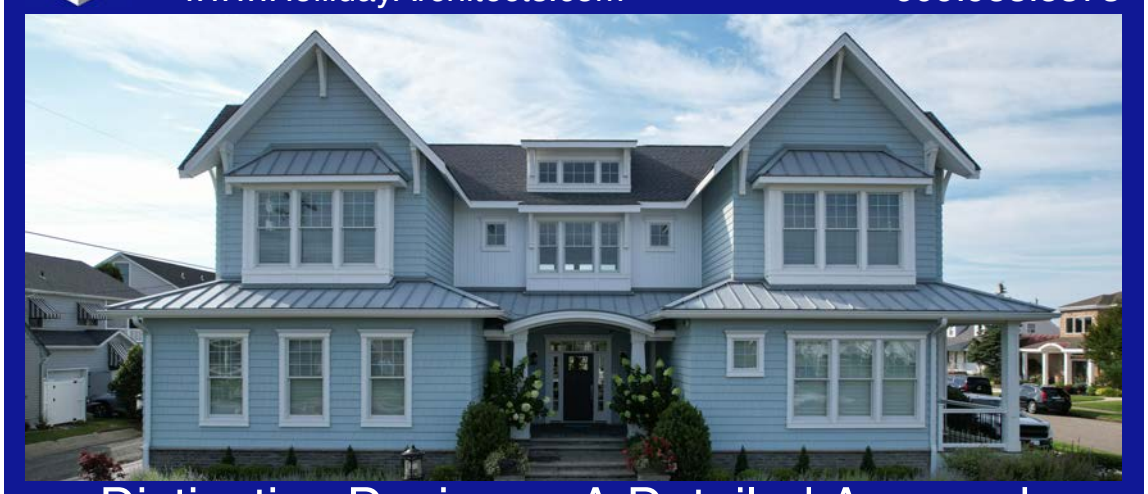
The Brigantine Police Department will be conducting training exercises in several locations throughout Brigantine, including the school and community areas, from Nov. 5 through Nov. 8.

Residents may notice an increased police presence and police activity in various areas during this time. There is no cause for alarm. These activities are part of scheduled training exercises.

Our officers regularly participate in training to enhance their skills, strengthen our preparedness, and ensure we are ready to respond to the needs of our community.

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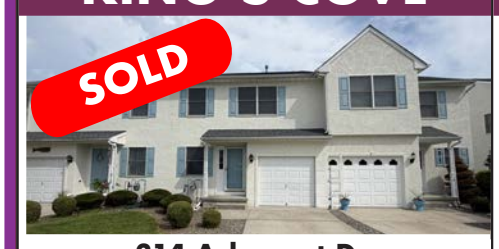
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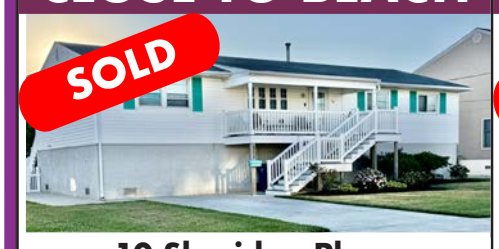
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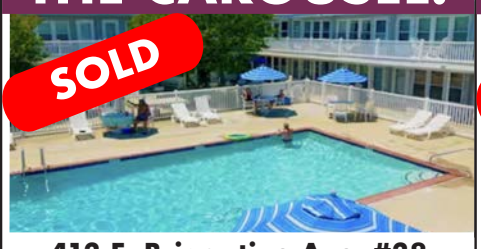
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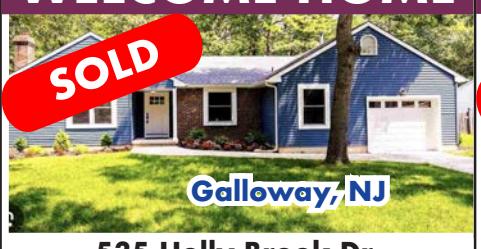
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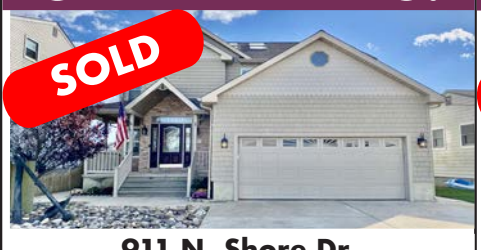
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Brigantine Knights of Columbus Council 7020 conducted a memorial service at the Promenade in front of the Knights' seawall bench. Deacon Len Long led the service, calling to mind Council members who passed away this year and praying for the happy repose of their souls.



Brigantine Elks assisted at Mobile Stand Down for at-risk and homeless veterans. Here they are with the Bimbo mascot. Jerome, Jim Morrone, Chris Forrest, Pat Tatum, Fred Soos, and Wesley.

Brigantine Garden Club

By Phyllis Glomb

Do you know where all of the Garden Club Beds are in Brigantine? Let's take a tour. The first one you see is the gorgeous one at the sign with the boat. Turn right on Harbor Beach Blvd. and numerous beds run the full length.

Turn right onto Lagoon for some more lovelies. Check out the front of the Community Center as well as the garden in the middle of the building. Two rectangular pots adorn the front of the Public Works building.

Next be sure to check out the triangle with the dolphin fountain. Turn right onto 27th St. and go all the way to the end by the ocean. The butterfly garden is located at the very end of 27th St. There are also two beds on either side of the parking lot between 27th and 26th St. Go back to the bay at the opposite end of 26th St. to find a lovely bed and two blue pots at the City Dock. Then head to 19th St. on the bay for another hidden gem.

The Library Triangle where Bayshore and Beach split is adorned with two large beds and a boat full of red, white, and blue flowers. Stop at the Boat Ramp to view lovely pots and beds. Travel the full length of Roosevelt and each end cap blooms. Don't miss the water tower triangle with three lovely beds.

Your tour is not over yet. Go to Heald Circle off of Roosevelt for another beauty. Go down Heald Rd. to where it meets 8th St. North for yet another. Head back to Sheridan and Washington by the golf course for a treat. And finally, end at The Holl Triangle on East Shore and Kirkwood Circle. Did you know we had so many beds tended by volunteers of the club? There are 80 total.

Wait. Don't stop now. Go to the Promenade/seawall to see the pots hand watered by tenders throughout the long, hot summer. This is truly a labor of love.

New signs will adorn each pot and bed the summer of 2027, each with a special message. Be on the lookout when spring arrives. We are asking Brigantine businesses to support the work of our volunteers by making a donation towards the

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Brigantine Garden Club

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purchase of the new signs. Thanks to those who have already made a donation.

Thanks to all of our wonderful bed and pot tenders for all of your hard work. You are truly the heart and soul of the club. If anyone else would like to join us, meetings will begin again in March on the first Monday of each month. Perhaps you'd like to tend a bed or even help another tender. All are welcome.

"Volunteers make the world a better place. A good volunteer is hard to find, difficult to part with, and impossible to forget." — author unknown.

Send mail to 3605 Bayshore Ave.; call 609-266-7800 Ext. 29; email brigantinegardenclubnj@gmail.com; follow us on Facebook and on Brigantine Rocks NJ also on FB; check out the Memorial Tree in the library and purchase a leaf for $75; donations are always welcome and appreciated.



Bill Salotto, a Brigantine veteran, on the Bucks County "Tour of Honor" in Washington, DC.



Joseph Ziccardi and his son Joseph Ziccardi Jr. were out boating on the bay for Halloween. At 4:58 PM, they spotted a pod of dolphins.



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From Under The Hat

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new and existing properties there is a practice of burying a St. Joseph statue upside down in your yard to help the property sell. My advice: if you do this remember to dig it up before you remove the sale sign! One owner did not and looked for the statue after the sign was removed, but couldn't keep digging up the lawn to no avail. While not downplaying the tradition of invoking St. Joseph to help your property sell, a local experienced agent can assist in moving the property to closing. In keeping with the election terminology, let the 'parties' come together—both sides of the aisle in Washington D.C., and you, and your agent, in Brigantine—let the 'party' unity ensure a united country and a seamless transaction. We, The LePera Team are here to get the party started...our information is on page 3.

Football Pool

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ner-up prize: a free Stock's pound cake from Riptide Bait & Tackle. Gregg's guess of 35 put him third. Great picking by all three!

Thank you to everyone who played and to our local sponsors. Week 9's submissions are all already in. For week 10, email a clear photo of your entire completed form, including your points guess, by Thursday, Nov. 12, at midnight. Good luck, Brigantine!

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John and Kitty Warburton traveled to London to see the Eagles battle the Jaguars at Tottenham Hotspur Stadium.



Kim and Jim "Big Dog" DeStefano send greetings from Barbados with a copy of the Brigantine Times.

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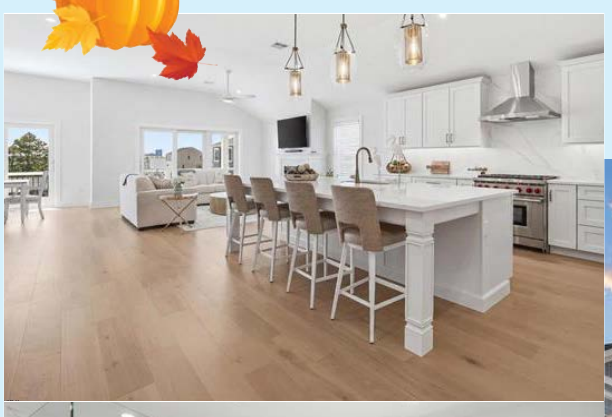
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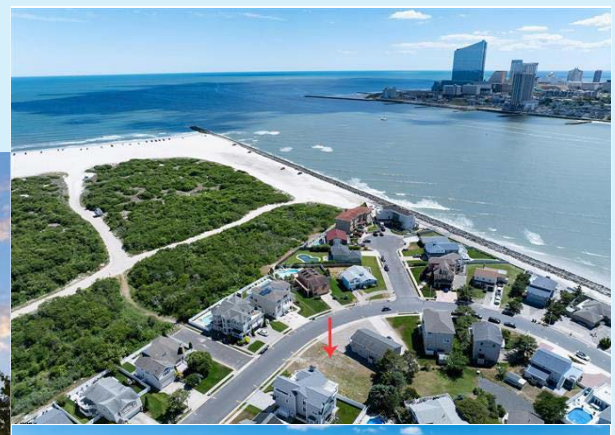


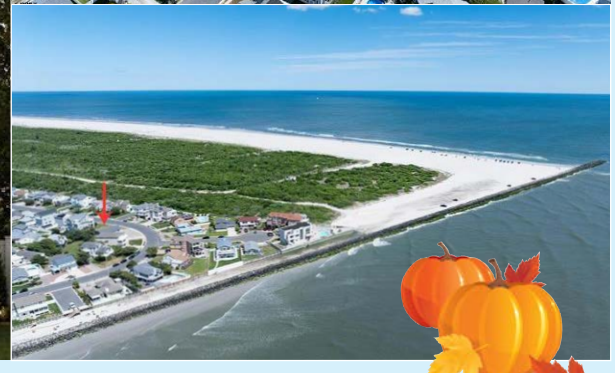


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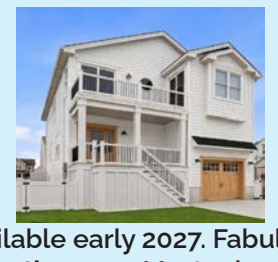
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Chamber Chatter

As November gets underway, the Brigantine Chamber of Commerce continues its year-round commitment to supporting our local businesses and strengthening the connections that make our island community so special. While the summer crowds may be gone, Brigantine remains a wonderful place to live, work, visit, and do business. Our Chamber members are an important part of that, and we're always proud to recognize the people and businesses that contribute so much to our community.

Chamber Member Spotlight — Chuck Barron, Barron Plumbing, Heating & Drain Cleaning

This week, we're pleased to feature another longtime supporter of our island community, Chuck Barron of Barron Plumbing, Heating & Drain Cleaning, a proud Gold Sponsor of the Brigantine Chamber of Commerce. Since 1993, Chuck and his family have been serving Brigantine residents, building relationships with neighbors and generations of local families. Here's Chuck, in his own words.

"Back in 1993, I started Barron Plumbing, Heating & Drain Cleaning right here in Brigantine with a simple plan: work hard, treat people right, and take care of our neighbors! 33 years later, we're still family-owned and operated, keeping the plumbing flowing, the heat running, and the drains clear for the good folks of Brigantine! Along the way, we've made lifelong friends, served generations of families, and enjoyed every minute of being part of this great beach community. And when I'm not turning wrenches? You'll probably find me down at the jetty catching waves, hanging on the beach, or just soaking up that salty air! That's what I love about Brigantine — great people, great beaches, and that hometown beach vibe! Thanks for supporting our family business all these years! See ya at the jetty, folks! Keeping the pipes flowing and the beach vibes going since 1993!"

Our 2027 Brigantine Chamber of Commerce Membership Drive continues, and there's still plenty of time to take advantage of our membership incentives! Chamber membership provides opportunities to increase your business's visibility, connect with fellow business owners, and support the community we all care about.

Current members can take advantage of a discount by renewing now for 2027, while businesses that aren't currently members can join for 2027 and receive the remainder of 2026 at no additional cost. Visit BrigantineChamber.com for membership information and to become part of the Brigantine Chamber of Commerce.

With the holiday season approaching, we encourage everyone to shop local, dine local, and support the businesses that support Brigantine. Whether you're shopping for gifts, dining out, or using the services of a local business, your support makes a real difference. Let's keep our local businesses thriving throughout the holiday season and beyond!

Stay connected with the Brigantine Chamber of Commerce by following us on Facebook and Instagram and visiting BrigantineChamber.com for news, events, and updates throughout the year.



This beautiful sunrise photo was captured by Brigantine resident Eduardo Jimenez.

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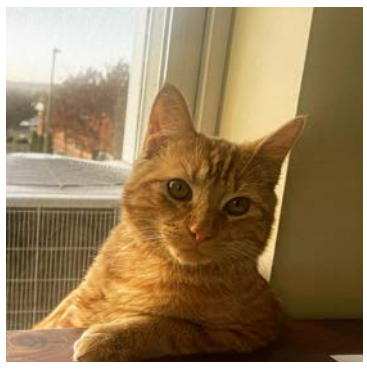
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Leroy's Corner:



My Very Eventful Week

Hello, friends and fellow felines, I am writing to you this week from a position of recovery. Mostly horizontal, with my eyes partially closed. Please keep your voices down. Being a local celebrity has been particularly demanding lately.

My week began with a visit from a loyal reader who also happens to be my next door neighbor. How convenient to live so close to someone with such excellent taste in journalism. She came over, played with me, and even offered treats. Clearly, she had done her research. I found her to be a delightful guest and would welcome future visits, provided she follows the same general agenda.

Then came Halloween. Friends, nobody prepared me for the turnout. At my previous residence, I had never experienced so many visitors in one evening. Here in Brigantine, however, word had apparently spread that I would be making a window appearance.

They came dressed as witches, superheroes, monsters, and all sorts of other creatures. I thought costumes were an unusual choice for meeting your favorite newspaper columnist, but I appreciated the effort. Naturally, I positioned myself in the window so my admirers could get a good look. I accepted this attention with the quiet dignity expected of an orange cat with a weekly readership.

The visitors kept saying, "Trick or treat!" My humans responded by handing out candy, which seemed unnecessary. These people had already received their treat. I was sitting right there. Still, I suppose it was thoughtful to provide a small souvenir.

Thankfully, my humans showed some judgment and spared me the alien costume. After my previous three minutes of humiliation, I was relieved to greet the public in my natural orange attire. When you already have this much presence, accessories are unnecessary.

By the end of the evening, I was exhausted. There are only so many times a cat can turn his head toward an adoring crowd before needing a substantial nap. I am now recovering with rest, treats, and limited public appearances. My humans seem to think Halloween was a neighborhood tradition.

How sweet. They still have no idea everyone came to see me.

Stay Whiskered,
Leroy

Dear Leroy,

We understand your pain when it comes to being dressed up for a holiday. Although we know that you must have looked adorable

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In honor of Veterans Day, the Brigantine Times recognizes Norman S. Wiener through his tribute ceiling tile at Brigantine VFW Post 6964. The tile commemorates his U.S. Army service from 1956 to 1959, lists Ascom City, Korea, and features crossed pistols representing military police. The Times also recognizes Harry Moran Chambers, whose tribute ceiling tile at Brigantine VFW Post 6964 commemorates his U.S. Army service from 1965 to 1967. The tile features the 7th Infantry Division insignia and identifies Korea as his service location.

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Birding Brigantine

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ible highway. But the fun begins when the bird spots something swimming below.

Suddenly, this graceful bird becomes a living missile. The gannet folds its wings against its body and plunges toward the ocean at tremendous speed. The bird may enter the water from considerable height, disappearing beneath the surface in an instant. They have been known to dive as deep as 80 feet in pursuit of a meal.

And they don't necessarily fish alone. When schools of fish are near the surface, several gannets may gather. One bird dives, then another, and suddenly the ocean is filled with falling birds. From shore, it is remarkable to watch, and I have happily spent hours doing just that.

Here on the Jersey Shore, seeing a Northern Gannet is often a matter of timing and a little luck. They are usually spotted offshore, particularly during migration and during the winter months. I have recently spotted quite a few as they migrate south from their breeding grounds along the coast of Canada.

So, I admit it. The Northern Gannet is my favorite bird. It is beautiful and athletic. It is elegant when it flies, spectacular when it dives and perfectly adapted to its ocean environment. Watching gannets is a reminder that some of the most extraordinary sights at the Jersey Shore don't require an expensive ticket. All you need is the beach, a pair of binoculars and the good fortune to look out toward the sea at the right moment.

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Nov. 12 at 10:30 a.m. | Author Visit with Rabbi Targan

The Marjorie & Lewis Katz Jewish Community Center Arts, Books & Culture Festival

The Marjorie & Lewis Katz Jewish Community Center (JCC) is thrilled to announce the return of its annual Arts, Books and Culture Festival, taking place throughout November. With a rich tradition of inspiring creativity and engaging the community, this year's festival promises a dynamic lineup of thought-provoking events, captivating authors, and diverse cultural experiences that offer something for every taste and interest. Check out the diverse offerings online at jccatlantic.org/2026/09/29/2026-arts-books-and-culture-festival/. Use code BELBC to take advantage of the unique Exclusive Book Club Offer — save 10% on tickets.

Special Note: Temple Beth Shalom will be hosting Rabbi Lynnda Targan, author of "Funny, You Don't Look Like a Rabbi: A Memoir of Unorthodox Transformation," on Thursday, Nov. 12, at 10:30 a.m.

Light snacks will be served (cost: $10 less discount above). Targan's memoir tells the story of her surprising transformation from successful working mom to spiritual seeker and Jewish scholar and chronicles her quest to reinvent herself in midlife to become a rabbi, a choice that for generations was open only to men. Rabbi Targan's discussion promises to be both informative and engaging.

Nov. 24 at 7 p.m. | Brigantine Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

Gather with neighbors of all faiths at St. Thomas Catholic Church as we give thanks together and celebrate the spirit of community.

Dec. 11 at 4:45 p.m. | Join Us to Light Our Chanukkah Menorah!

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Hospitality Sunday

Sunday, Nov. 8, is our next Hospitality Sunday, and everyone is invited back to St. Philip Hall after each Sunday Mass to enjoy a hot beverage, doughnuts and cinnamon buns. This is the perfect time and place to catch up with your friends and neighbors, perhaps even make some new friends along the way. Also, our nursing ministry will be happy to check your blood pressure while there.



n honor of Veterans Day, the Brigantine Times recognizes Dennis Dowling, whose tribute ceiling tile at Brigantine VFW Post 6964 commemorates his U.S. Army service from 1966 to 1968. The tile identifies the 1st Cavalry Division and features a rifle-and-wreath insignia.

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HONORING OUR VETERANS

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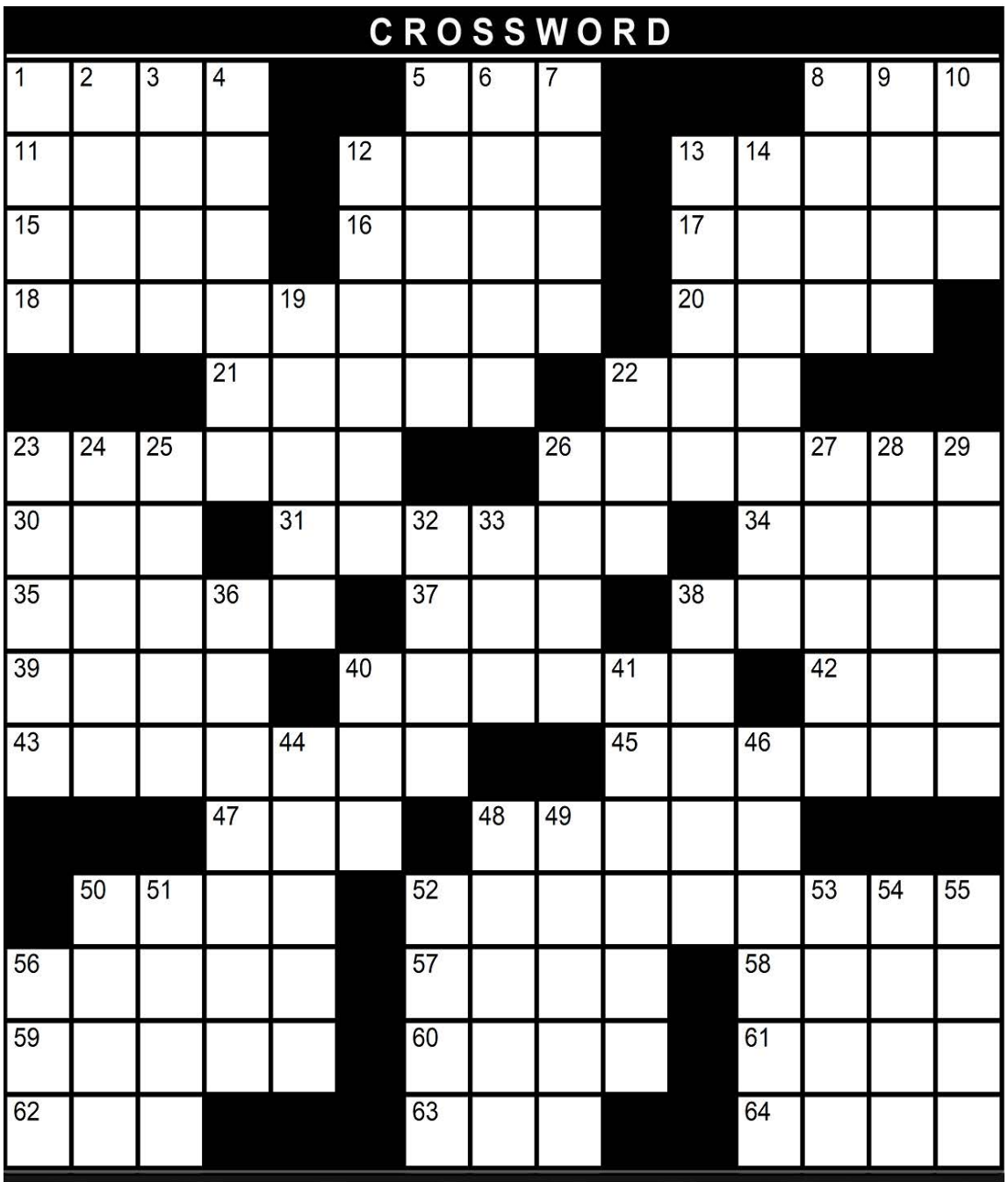
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Good luck this week!

Dr. Zimmerman's Health Tips

By. Dr. J. Zimmerman

Dr. Zimmerman is a Brigantine chiropractor. The health tips in this column are his personal opinions, advice, and commentary, and are not a substitute for professional medical advice. Consult your doctor with any health questions or concerns.

Turmeric for Health

Turmeric is one of those spices most of us keep in the cupboard without thinking much about it beyond flavor and that beautiful golden color. But research suggests it may do more than brighten up a meal. Turmeric contains curcumin, a natural compound known for its antioxidant and anti-inflammatory properties, and scientists have been studying how it affects inflammation, oxidative stress, and blood vessel function. Some clinical trials and reviews have found small improvements in blood pressure among people taking turmeric or curcumin supplements. One analysis showed diastolic pressure dropping by about 0.76 mmHg, and other studies saw modest decreases in systolic pressure after eight to 12 weeks. Researchers think curcumin may help blood vessels relax and protect them from oxidative damage, although results across studies have been mixed.

What I find encouraging is that the potential benefits may reach beyond blood pressure. Over time, chronic inflammation and oxidative stress can take a real toll on your heart and blood vessels, so anything that helps calm those processes is worth a closer look. Adding turmeric to your everyday cooking is a simple way to fit this spice into a whole-food eating plan, while concentrated supplements have been studied for more targeted effects. I always like to remind my patients that turmeric is not a replacement for blood pressure treatment your doctor has prescribed. If you're thinking about taking high-dose turmeric or curcumin supplements, check first for possible medication interactions and other health risks.

If You Are Not Taking Vitamin D3 During the Fall and Winter, It Is a Problem!

Vitamin D, often called the "sunshine vitamin," does far more than most people realize, and a surprising number of us simply aren't getting enough of it. Deficiency is a worldwide problem that touches every age group and ethnicity. In one study of more than 5,500 people at routine checkups, over 87% had levels below 20 ng/mL. Because vitamin D helps your body absorb calcium, low levels can weaken bones, causing rickets in children and osteomalacia (softening of the bones) in adults. Even seemingly healthy people sometimes show signs of it. Vitamin D also supports your immune system, and deficiency has been tied to more infections, including a 54% higher risk of COVID-19 in one large study. Low levels have also been linked to heart disease, Type 2 diabetes, and certain cancers. Current guidelines recommend 600 IU daily for adults up to age 70 and 800 IU after that, but many experts feel these amounts are too low, especially for people with darker skin or little time outdoors. Vitamin D also behaves like a "threshold nutrient." When you're deficient, small doses may do very little until your levels cross a certain point, and once you're near a healthy range, extra amounts offer less added benefit. That's why a personalized approach matters.

Pregnancy is one of the most important times to pay attention to vitamin D. Adequate levels have been linked to a lower risk of preeclampsia, preterm birth, and other complications. Yet many expecting moms fall short, even while taking prenatal vitamins. In one hospital study, 73% of mothers and 80% of their newborns had levels below 20 ng/mL. Low levels have been associated with a higher chance of C-section. In one study, women with levels above 40 ng/mL had 60% fewer premature births. Higher levels during pregnancy have even been tied to fewer cavities in infants. Many moms may need more than the stan-

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Brigantine Times Kids Corner

The Railway Children By E. Nesbit

Chapter VI: Saviours of the Train

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Then they got him to come out and sit in the sun on the green Railway Bank, where the grass was quite hot to touch, and there, sometimes speaking one at a time, and sometimes all together, they told the Porter the story of the Russian Prisoner.

"Well, I must say," said Perks; but he did not say it—whatever it was.

"Yes, it is pretty awful, isn't it?" said Peter, "and I don't wonder you were curious about who the Russian was."

"I wasn't curious, not so much as interested," said the Porter.

"Well, I do think Mr. Gills might have told you about it. It was horrid of him."

"I don't keep no down on 'im for that, Missie," said the Porter; "cos why? I see 'is reasons. 'E wouldn't want to give away 'is own side with a tale like that 'ere. It ain't human nature. A man's got to stand up for his own side whatever they does. That's what it means by Party Politics. I should 'a' done the same myself if that long-'aired chap 'ad 'a' been a Jap."

"But the Japs didn't do cruel, wicked things like that," said Bobbie.

"P'r'aps not," said Perks, cautiously; "still you can't be sure with foreigners. My own belief is they're all tarred with the same brush."

"Then why were you on the side of the Japs?" Peter asked.

"Well, you see, you must take one side or the other. Same as with Liberals and Conservatives. The great thing is to take your side and then stick to it, whatever happens."

A signal sounded.

"There's the 3.14 up," said Perks. "You lie low till she's through, and then we'll go up along to my place, and see if there's any of them strawberries ripe what I told you about."

"If there are any ripe, and you DO give them to me," said Phyllis, "you won't mind if I give them to the poor Russian, will you?"

Perks narrowed his eyes and then raised his eyebrows.

"So it was them strawberries you come down for this afternoon, eh?" said he.

This was an awkward moment for Phyllis. To say "yes" would seem rude and greedy, and unkind to Perks. But she knew if she said "no," she would not be pleased with herself afterwards. So—

"Yes," she said, "it was."

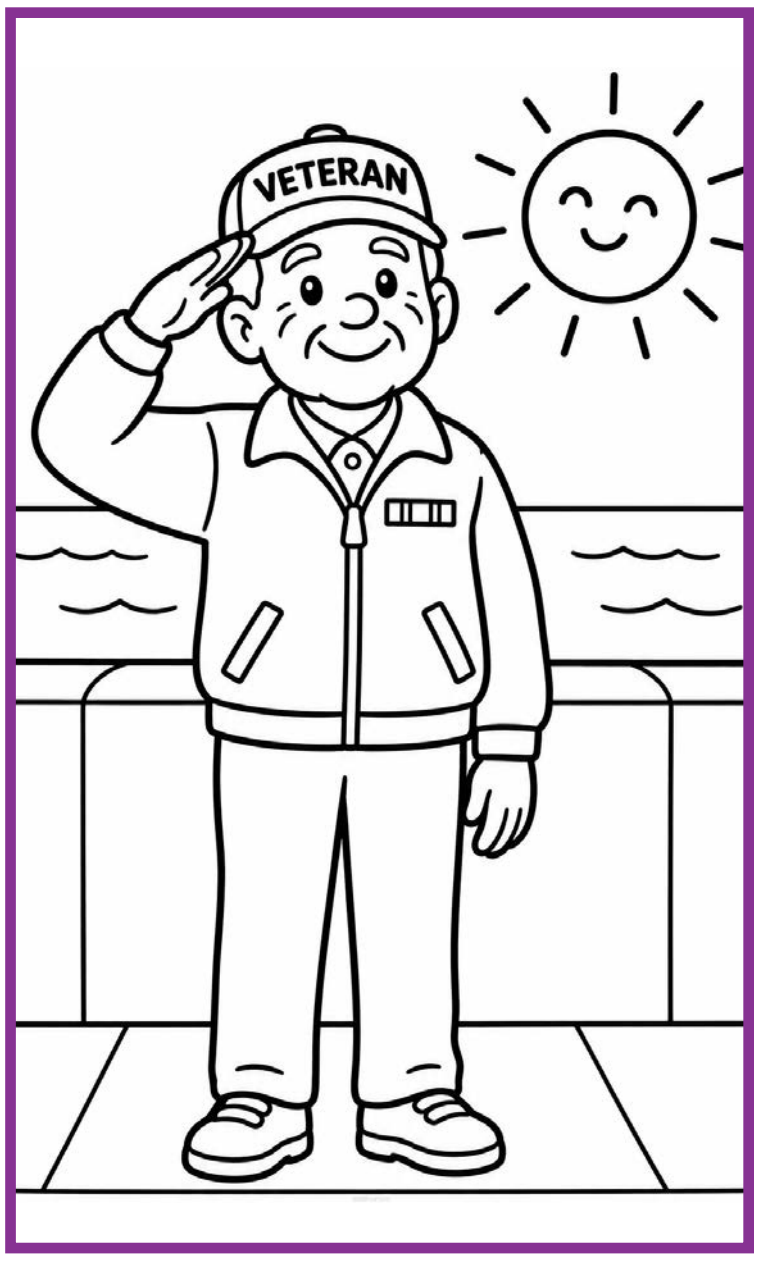
"Well done!" said the Porter; "speak the truth and shame the—"

"But we'd have come down the very next day if we'd known you hadn't heard the story," Phyllis added hastily.

"I believe you, Missie," said Perks, and sprang across the line six feet in front of the advancing train.

The girls hated to see him do this, but Peter liked it. It was so exciting.

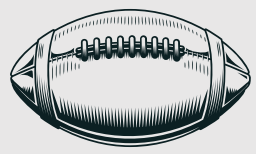
The Russian gentleman was so delighted with the strawberries that the three racked their brains to find some other surprise for him. But all the racking did not bring out any idea more novel than wild cherries. And this idea occurred to them next morning. They had seen the blossom on the trees in the spring, and they knew where to look for wild cherries now that cherry time was here. The trees grew all up and along the rocky face of the cliff out of which the mouth of the tunnel opened. There were all sorts of trees there, birches and beeches and baby oaks and hazels, and among them the cherry blossom had shone like snow and silver.



Color in the picture of the Brigantine Veteran and share your creation with us at Brigantinetimes@gmail.com



BRIGANTINE TIMES FOOTBALL POOL



WEEK 10 (11/15):

PATRIOTS VS LIONS	BILLS @ JETS
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Weekly Fishing Report

by Captain Andy Grossman

The excitement is building as we are getting close to the striper explosion we are all waiting to happen. We are seeing huge schools of bunker out front with whales bursting up through the middle of them as they are feeding heavily on the bunker. The stripers have been seen at the north end of LBI, and we are hoping to see them in Brigantine very soon. We are getting plenty of stripper action in the back bays and inlets. Paul had a nice 10-pound, 6-ounce striper weighed in at the Riptide Fall Derby. Could that be the start of the migration? Ya never know, and the only way to find out is to be out there with a rod in the water.

The bluefin tuna bite has been very strong, and they are 8-10 miles out in front of Absecon Inlet. This is a fun time of the year as some of the smaller boats can get out there and engage with these tuna. We are loaded up with everything you will need to fight these massive pelagics. If you need tuna rods, reels or tackle, we have it. If you need tuna bait like ballyhoo, butterfish or sardines, we have it. If you want to head to the canyons and fight the swordfish, we are loaded up with rigged and unrigged squid that are perfect bait for the monsters down deep. Stop by and check out our huge offshore section in the shop.

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Thanks and Keep On Fishin'.

Capt. Andy

Riptide Bait and Tackle





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G.T. On The Beach

Veterans Day

By Garrett Touhill

I wanted to make a quick note on Veterans Day and what it means to someone like me. When I think of Veterans Day, I think of the people in my life who have served. Some are childhood friends who joined up after college. Some are friends I've made more recently who served years ago. Most of all, I think of my grandfathers.

My maternal grandfather, Steve, received his draft notice the day he returned from his honeymoon. He served in the army and was stationed in Cuba during the Cuban Missile Crisis.

My paternal grandfather, Edward, also served in the army. His family's military history goes back further to his father, Charles. Charles J. Touhill served in the Marines and fought in World War II in the Pacific Theater. My grandfather says that his dad didn't talk about the war much, but that he fought in the Battle of Guadalcanal (Operation Watchtower).

I've learned a lot from these men, and much of what they know comes from their time serving our country. Not only did they serve their country, but they served their children and their children's children once they returned home by their example and faithfulness. Take time today to thank the Steves and Edwards in your life. And be sure to thank all the veterans who so dutifully serve our country.

Here are this week's birthdays! 7- Nancy Highberger, Marie Giordano, Mike Kuharik, Mike Reilly, Maxine Daniels, Drew Klemish, John Reynolds, Ed Brown and Karen Thomas. Jim and Rose Doring Anniversary. 8- John DiNardo, Heather Laskowski and Sandy Knoell. 9- Kevin O'Neill and Jessica Huhn 10- Kim Santa Maria, Mary Ann Crawford, David Cunningham and Lexi Derrickson 11- Ruth Branco 12- Colleen Bell and Tom Van Zant



This circa 1920s aerial photo shows U.S. Coast Guard facility #121 that was located on the north end of the island one mile south from the Brigantine Inlet. This station was originally U.S. Life Saving Service station # 25. In January 1915, the USLSS transitioned to the U.S. Coast Guard and #25 was renumbered #121. The #121 Station was severely damaged during the 1944 hurricane and abandoned by 1949. Stop by the Brigantine Historical Museum to see more photos like this.

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Elks Veterans Service Committee Assists the Homeless

By Karen Geller

On Oct. 28, Brigantine Elks members arose early to head to Vineland at 6:45 a.m., where they made a major contribution in the lives of homeless veterans.

Upon arrival at the Vineland Walmart Super Center, Eric Anderson, Art Conover, Chris Forrest, Mark Milbank, Jim Morrone and Fred Soos got to work unloading and setting up tents, tables and chairs, placing weight on the tents, and assisting wherever they were needed.

Pat Tatum, South Jersey Stand Down leader, had publicized the event, and she and her crew had a well-organized plan for setting up for the day. She drew upon the strength and energy of the Elks to get the job done and to fill in where needed. Pat had many kind words to say about the benefits of having the steadfast support of the Elks at Mobile and at Flagship Stand Downs.

At-risk and homeless veterans arrived early to register for this event, which started at 10 a.m. They had the opportunity to speak with medical and mental health professionals, the VA and the Casino Control Commission for employment. They spoke with resource people regarding legal services, claims, benefits, housing and other supports. There were giveaways and haircuts for the veterans.

The Elks also distribute large duffel bags for the veterans to fill with shirts, pants, scarves, gloves, socks, underwear, and shoes. Pat Tatum and Gladys Krasicki had ordered all of the clothing and shoes.

Elks members Camille Forrest and Mary McLeish distributed beautiful blankets made by Camille, and hats made by Jane Lacey. As the veterans came to the table, they expressed their gratitude for the well-made, warm articles, and were so happy to select the colors they liked.

Chris Forrest and Bob Geller served hoagies to the veterans for their lunch. The veterans also enjoyed potato chips, beverages, cakes and candy. The Elks took leftover food to a homeless encampment nearby.

Every Elk there worked in tandem with other groups that were there, such as the American Legion. Everyone made meaningful contributions to the 100-plus at-risk and homeless veterans who attended. By 2 p.m., the Elks were starting to break down the tents and load the equipment for the return trip.

Bob Looby, South Jersey Stand Down secretary, and Director Pat Tatum described how much the Stand Down depends on the Elks for their work ethic and dependability.

At the end of the two days, the Elks were tired but were happy to have been able to assist disadvantaged veterans who had served and sacrificed for our country.

Elks Care — Elks Share!

VFW News

We are looking forward to our Veterans Day parade and service this weekend. The parade will be held Sunday, Nov. 8. Veterans, we would love to have you join the parade and receive the recognition you've earned. We also welcome any team or club that would like to march in the parade, and any group that would like to present a wreath at the service. Please reach out to the Post and let us know of your desire to participate.

As a warm-up to the parade and service, the VFW Auxiliary is hosting a breakfast on Saturday, Nov. 7, at the Post. Please join us for great food and camaraderie.

Our weekly lineup includes:

This Friday (Nov. 6), we welcome the return of T-Bone for our entertainment. Plan on dinner and fantastic entertainment!

Monday is Bingo! Join us for some great fun! The kitchen is not open.

Tuesday is Trivia! Is your brain full of useless information? If so, we are looking for you! The kitchen is open Tuesday with a great menu.

Wednesday is Karaoke! Great music and song. Come join the fun!

A Craft Market will be open for business Saturday, Nov. 14. All the vendor spots are taken. It will be a great

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In honor of Veterans Day, the Brigantine Times recognizes Sgt. Lars Paul Taboga, whose tribute ceiling tile at Brigantine VFW Post 6964 honors his U.S. Army service from 2000 to 2005. The tile also commemorates his participation in Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2004–2005. The Times also recognizes Capt. Collin Wiener through his tribute ceiling tile at Brigantine VFW Post 6964. The tile honors his U.S. Army service and features an engineer castle emblem, along with the year 2018 and the United States Military Academy.





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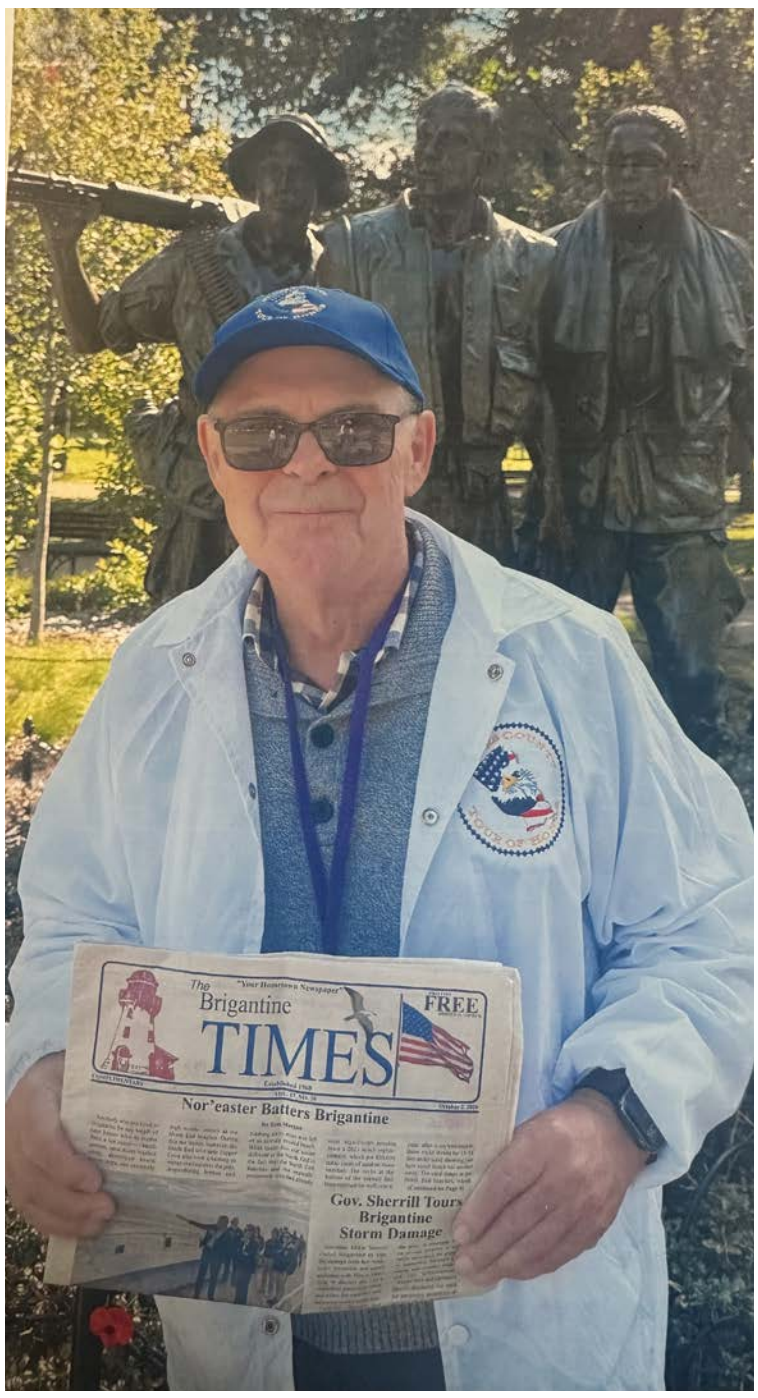
Our next Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled Monday, Nov. 23. Schedule your appointment at redcross.org.

Members and guests can always catch Saturday college football action and the Sunday NFL action in the Canteen.

The kitchen is open Tuesday through Sunday. Friday night is a more formal menu with salad, entrée, and dessert. Other days, the menu highlights sandwiches and pub fare. Members can join us for delicious meals any day of the week!

Canteen hours are Monday to Thursday, 1 to 10 p.m. Join us Friday and Saturdays, noon to 11 p.m.; Sundays, noon to 10 p.m.

VFW6964.org; VFW Memorial Post 6964 Facebook page. Veterans Crisis hotline is "988" — press 1.



Bill Salotto, a Brigantine veteran, on the Bucks County "Tour of Honor" in Washington, DC.



In honor of Veterans Day, the Brigantine Times recognizes George J. Dietrich, whose tribute ceiling tile at Brigantine VFW Post 6964 honors his U.S. Navy service from 1917 to 1921. The tile identifies him as a World War I veteran and lists service aboard the destroyer USS Cushing.

FOOTBALL POOL ON PAGE 26!



Seeds of Hope in Our Youth

By Anthony Tori

This week's article was inspired by the gorgeous photo posted on the front page of the Brigantine Times, Oct. 23, 2026, edition. The photo caption near the bottom reads: "Stockton University students gather before doing a beach cleanup in Brigantine." This goodwill effort was organized by "Love Blue." Our Mayor Vince Sera was also involved in this program, and he posted a big thank you on Facebook. Love Blue Inc. is a nonprofit collegiate organization dedicated to environmental care since 2019. These youths are motivated with various initiatives for education and protection for our ocean, beaches and community.

In a short statement prepared for explaining their beach cleanup workday on Oct. 17, it reads: "The purpose of Love Blue is to bring the community together and share the goal of making a change. The reasons for cleaning our local beaches is not only to make them beautiful for us to enjoy alone, but also to improve the natural environment for marine life who are at risk of consuming garbage and waste that fall into our oceans every day. On record to date, the combined progress by the Stockton chapter of Love Blue is over 28,000 pounds of trash collected and properly disposed of along our coast."

Now that's impressive! And, no taxpayer dollars involved here — these kids work for free. Doesn't this collective effort display the seeds of Hope in our Youth? They are investing their time and energy for the future. Everyone's future. Their actions are the result of continued studies, and the unified commitment among these comrades is giving priority to the concerns our world absolutely needs — with hands and hearts!

Caring for our environment has been long neglected by generations past. Progress and technology have advanced our way of life — yes, but now it's teams like these that hear the outcry of neglect in the wake of America's progress. The carelessness of loose trash, bottles and debris littering our coastline exposes the biggest sins against Mother Earth, especially with the awareness we have nowa-

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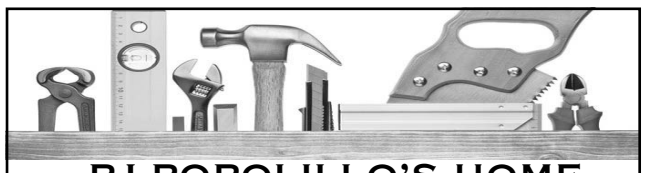
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Seeds of Hope in Our Youth

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days. That's what defines Love Blue as being the Seeds of Hope. It's because they are the emerging growth of the right things, and their endeavors are planting deeper into the practices of the youth coming up behind them. In the big picture, this dutiful club inspires some genuine Faith in the prime example they set.

If we elaborate on the labors of these young people, certain virtues come to light, especially when seeing them working for the benefit of those unable to do the same. Most people have heard the word "Faith" as having a definition similar to this: "Now Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." With a description like that, it's no wonder there are so many ways to use it. We use Faith as a word that defines our highest aspirations. It's also a word meant for courage and confidence toward our goals, and it reaches far and wide to the best we can be in every aspect of life. Faith in a person's heart always leads to deeds or seeds of Hope, and that inevitably leads to deeds and seeds of Charity. The sights of a greater purpose as exhibited by these youths continue to prove that Faith, Hope and Charity will always deliver a better life in the world God has made. Why? It's because caring for our planet is the world's earliest assignment — ask any Sunday school teacher, or you could ask me.

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Join the USCG Auxiliary

Submitted by Alan Moose, USCG Aux.

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary was authorized by Congress in 1939 at the beginning of World War II. It was organized and assigned to assist the Coast Guard in the patrolling of the shorelines and waterways of America. Since that time the Auxiliary has developed into an active, well-trained support organization working in lockstep with the Coast Guard. These uniformed guardians give over 2 million hours annually in service to America.

Brigantine Flotilla 85 is looking for individuals who want to contribute toward a safe and healthy boating environment by joining the USCG Auxiliary. We are celebrating our 55th anniversary this year and welcome new members. What would you do in the Auxiliary? The short answer is almost anything in which you have an interest or talent. You provide the time, and the Auxiliary will provide the training. The Auxiliary participates in all Coast Guard missions except direct law enforcement and military action. Auxiliarists can be found performing many valuable duties, such as teaching boating safety classes, examining commercial fishing vessels, helping to train helicopter rescue crews, working in Coast Guard offices, and crewing with regulars.

After 9/11, the Auxiliary was integrated into the Department of Homeland Security and now also performs a variety of port security functions. Members of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary save approximately one life every two days, and support Coast Guard missions across the nation through vessel safety examinations, boating safety education, public affairs outreach, operational support, and administrative service. Based on recent annual reports, Auxiliary volunteers contribute thousands of hours each day in support of the Coast Guard and the recreational boating public. These efforts are carried out by the dedicated volunteers of the Auxiliary, the world's largest volunteer marine safety organization. During its 87 years, the Auxiliary has lived up to its motto, "A Proud Tradition, A Worthy Mission."

Brigantine Flotilla 85 meets the third Tuesday of every month (except December) at the Brigantine Beach Community Center, 265 42nd Street, at 7 p.m. Come join us at our next meeting, Tuesday, Nov. 17, and see what the Auxiliary is all about. For more information, send an email to boatsafelyinnj@gmail.com, and we will get back to you. And remember — boating safety is no accident!

Letter to the Editor

Bill Salotto, Major, Ret. USAF

My Name is Bill Salotto, I am a Life Member of Brigantine's VFW. I recently had the pleasure to go on the "Tour of Honor" trip. "Tour of Honor" of Bucks County, Pa. is an organization that without cost provides a day trip to over 400 veterans, including guardians and staff to Washington, D.C. to see all of the war memorials, including the "Tomb of the Unknown soldier's ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery. Bucks County Tour of Honor mission is to honor and welcome back all veterans with this tour. The trip is not long as a full police escort is provided for the entire trip to and including all through Washington, D.C. and back again where a closing ceremonial dinner is provided by Parkx casino. It also includes a welcome ceremonial breakfast and meals along the way. They have been providing this service since 2014 annually. All veterans are welcome to experience this life changing event by filling out an application that is available online at their website. Their website can be viewed at the <Buckscountytourofhonor.org>. Unfortunately, not many South Jersey veterans are aware of this life changing and healing experience that they will remember forever. This would truly be on every veterans bucket list if they knew about it.

Veterans that require wheelchairs or other means of mobility are welcome. Wheelchairs are provided for the trip if one of the veterans does not have one. Their healthcare provided is welcome to attend if medical needs are required during the trip. Please help to get the word out to other South Jersey veterans for this healing event. Thank you.

See photos of the "Tour of Honor" on pages 11 and 30.



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Turning November

By Lugene, a member of Brig Ink

The Autumn twilight has dimmed

The sunny yellows & the fiery reds have shed their glory

Silently descending to earth's brown layers of hope & rebirth

Turning November casts a spell of quiet contemplation

Creating a pathway of thoughts washed clean like the newness of bare branches

Early twilight descends & the season prepares for hibernation

Turning November slowly turns inward & the soul transforms with the purity of winter…

Turning November

By Kelly Leyman

Just closing the door on the last Trick or Treaters, and opening the door to a colorful, peaceful November.

Smell autumn, enjoy the crisp leaves and the cool air.

It's getting darker earlier but our hearts are lighter. It's time for snuggles and love.

Turn to November for our cozy traditions and the change of seasons.

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Thoughts Are Things

Common Sense Generosity & Compassion

By Stephen T. Weeks

Self Help

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HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS! About this time every year, here in North America, we definitely are gearing up, like it or not, for the Holidays – starting with Thanksgiving for we Americans – which is a Metaphysical call to arms, wherein our time & attention is more, or less guided & directed by tradition, to get back in touch with our grass roots, cultural & innate Humanity.

Here the idea of bounty, abundance, generosity, and family, friends & strangers invited into our homes to reassess & reaffirm our gratitude for having, not only Life Itself, but all the bells & whistles that come with living in an economically prosperous nation, has a long history of fondness & acceptance with the masses. What was historically a celebration for the harvest time, enjoyed by native Indians & farmers, became an American classic, morphing into a bit of a challenge, and a no-brainer here in the 20th & 21st centuries.

Certainly the religious aspects of Thanksgiving allow for everyone to enjoy their Metaphysical renewal & regeneration, in their own way, at their own pace, in their own persuasion. Christians in the form of Puritans, were historically the first to celebrate Thanksgiving here in the New World, but now everyone in the United States can celebrate & enjoy the spirit of the holiday with their family & friends, bar none.

THE KEY TO GENEROSITY! If we feel insecure – not just financially – but mentally, physically, spiritually & emotionally, it's very hard to feel generous, let alone be generous. If we haven't noticed lately, many, many people have lots & lots of money, and even the dreaded government spending, although mismanaged, seems to be prosperous & viable – our hard earned tax dollars at work on many levels.

The truth is, many folks are not psychologically well-adjusted when it comes to money, finance, spending, prosperity, wealth & employment – they have been "nickel & dimed" to death, for so many years that their fundamental conditioning & habit of mind is to feel disconnected & out of touch with the healthy circulation & accumulation of cash – and financial stability, even though they are presently employed, or going to school.

We don't need a million to feel like a million, and the persistent mental & emotional fear of not having enough – or lack, the fear of lack – is enough to shut us down, and cut us off from the main stream, spiritual & commercial rivers of employment & enjoyment, even though we're not aware of this incremental process affecting & depressing us.

IDENTIFY WITH WEALTH! If a farmer buys a piece of land, and works that land for decades, eking out a living planting crops & harvesting their bounty, season after season, never realizing that just below the topsoil & dirt lies an enormous vein of gold, his treasure will go undiscovered for generations until someone in his family is inspired to investigate the soil composition, only to find what was always there, just waiting to be found.

So it is with our Economic Psychology, which, when investigated reveals the Law of Attraction, as in the magnetic nature of this Planet Earth, wherein we align our thinking with ideas & examples of our true value & wealth, which then clears the way for good fortune & prosperity to increase in our Life & Affairs.

The test for managing the quality, or the tendency of our thought overall is simple – is the atmosphere & timber of this thought (or these thoughts) sweet, or sour, or is it attractive, or repulsive? Attractive, or prosperous thinking brings fresh air, and expansion into our realm of experience – negative, or sour thinking has the opposite effect – pushing away, or repelling all of the good & great people, places & things in our Life that deep down inside – we long for.

When we reflect upon our good fortune, to be Alive in an age where our efforts, infused & aligned with Universal Bounty & Intelligence, are guaranteed to increase our access to, and accumulation of wealth, on many levels, it puts an end to our sad sack mentality, where prosperity, abundance, generosity & compassion are concerned. (Next Week, More Thoughts)

AFFIRMATIONS! (Mental & Emotional Exercise) Today I Remind Myself That Being Human & Being Alive, Here On The Face Of This Beautiful Planet Earth Is, Indeed, It's Own Reward. Today I Begin To Identify With My Personal & Professional Wealth & Prosperity As Something Universal, Spiritual, Creative, Sustainable & Overflowing With Financial Energy Divine, Because This Thing Called Life Wants Me To Be Successful, And Is Helping Me To Expand My Territory, Right Here, And Right Now, With Every Breath I Take. Today I Discard & Neutralize Any & Every Negative, Limiting Idea I Have Concerning My Financial Success, As These Old, Limiting Ideas, Beliefs, Concepts & Cradle Stories Are Not Real, And They Are Not Wanted In My Life. Today I Know That My Potential Earning Power Is As Great, Or Greater Than Anyone & Everyone Else In My World. Today This Prosperity Finds Me, Uplifts Me, And Throws Open The Doors & Windows Of Fresh Health, Wealth & Happiness, For Me & Mine – Forever & A Day. AND So It Is!

Today I Dismiss Any & All Poverty Consciousness From My Conscious & Subconscious Mind, Knowing That These Old Ideas Only Serve To Choke Off & Repel My Good. Today I Do Not Complain About My Bills, I Pay Them As Early As I Can, With A Smile On My Face. Today I Gratefully & Graciously Share Whatever Good & Fine Things I Have, With Someone, Somewhere, As I Feel To, But I Gladly Share My Kindness, Support & Attention To Those Who Might Need A Little Encouragement & Levity To Brighten Their Day. Today I Know, Absolutely & Forever That This Thing, This Gift Called Life Is Always For Me, Never Ever Against Me, And The Creative Energy & Power Of My Life Itself, Our Universal Intelligence & Atmosphere Divine, Is Supporting Me, Employing Me, Advancing Me, Promoting Me, And Securing Me, In Every Way, Shape, Form & Function Possible For A Human Being. AND So Be It! stpweeks@gmail.com



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Leroy's Corner

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in the alien costume. We have noticed that there are all sorts of get-ups designed for us felines for holidays like Christmas and Thanksgiving, so don't let your guard down. Be on the lookout for a bell-trimmed stocking cap or feathered headdress. Of course, putting bells on anything draws our attention, but there is a limit to what we will play with, and wearing the bells is a definite NO. Thanks for sharing your experience. Hopefully your humans will remember not to buy you a costume next year.

Your fans,
Brody and Hooper

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Dr. Zimmerman's Health Tips

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dard dose, a decision best made with your health care provider. Beyond pregnancy, higher vitamin D levels have been linked to a lower risk of certain cancers, including colorectal and breast cancer. In the large VITAL trial, 2,000 IU daily didn't significantly lower overall cancer rates, but it did reduce cancer deaths by 25%. This may be because vitamin D appears to limit the spread of cancer and the growth of new blood vessels that feed tumors. Research also connects healthy levels to a reduced risk of cognitive decline, dementia, Alzheimer's disease, and stroke. Some studies show measurable brain health improvements after just two to six months of supplementation.

The good news is that vitamin D is generally safe when taken in appropriate doses, and serious problems are extremely rare. Toxicity usually happens only after accidentally taking extremely high amounts. It involves more than a high blood level. It typically requires levels above about 150 ng/mL along with high calcium in the blood and urine, suppressed parathyroid hormone, and symptoms like nausea, vomiting, confusion, dehydration, or heart rhythm problems. The right dose depends on your body weight, sun exposure, and health conditions. People with sarcoidosis or certain genetic disorders, like Williams syndrome, are more sensitive to vitamin D and need extra caution. Those who are sensitive to sunlight, such as people with lupus, may rely on supplements under medical supervision instead. When your vitamin D levels are adequate, your body absorbs calcium from food more effectively, so a separate calcium supplement often isn't needed. Some people also experience "vitamin D resistance," meaning they need higher doses to reach healthy levels. Higher body weight, poor absorption after bariatric surgery, certain medications like anti-epileptic and antiretroviral drugs, and possibly genetics can all play a role. Supporting nutrients like magnesium can help vitamin D do its job. Some clinicians report good results using higher doses alongside diet, exercise, and stress management. Doses like these should only be used with a physician who monitors your blood levels, so testing and adjusting with your health care provider is key. Leading experts in functional medicine and nutrition research state that the ideal dosage in the colder months is 35 units per pound of body weight. For example, a 150-pound person needs 5,000 units per day.

Vitamin D also acts as a balancing force for your immune system, helping prevent it from being too weak or too aggressive. It supports both your body's first line of defense and its longer-term, targeted immunity. It also helps switch off inflammation once the job is done, which matters because prolonged inflammation can damage tissue and fuel autoimmune disease. In one trial, schoolchildren taking 1,200 IU daily over the winter had about 11% influenza A rates compared to nearly 19% in the placebo group. Other research found 12% lower odds of respiratory infections, a 28% reduction in deaths among COVID-19 patients, and a 22% drop in new autoimmune diseases in the VITAL trial. Still, vitamin D works best alongside nutrients like magnesium and a healthy overall lifestyle. Safe sun exposure is the ideal way to raise your levels, but it takes some care. If you eat a lot of seed oils, which are rich in linoleic acid, your skin may be more vulnerable, because these oils are thought to break down under UV light in ways that may contribute to inflammation and DNA damage. While you cut back on seed oils, stick to gentler morning and late-afternoon sun for four to six months and avoid roughly 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Once you've been off them for that long, you can gradually add exposure around solar noon. Keep in mind that darker skin needs more sun to make the same amount of vitamin D. People with more body fat may also need more time to clear stored oils. Watch for any pinkness, and head for the shade if it appears. If you can't avoid the sun early on, 12 milligrams of astaxanthin daily and a topical niacinamide cream may offer extra protection. Combining sensible sun exposure with personalized supplementation is a simple, proactive step toward a healthier life for you and your whole family.

Chiropractic Care for Newborns and Infants

Birth is a big event for a tiny body. Whether your little one arrived after a long labor, a quick delivery, or a C-section, the journey into the world can put real stress on a newborn's delicate spine and neck. Infant care is an important part of my practice, and I often explain to parents that this stress can leave small areas of the spine stuck or out of their natural alignment. Chiropractors call these areas subluxations. Pediatric chiropractic care uses a very different touch than adult adjustments. The pressure is so light, about what you would use to test the ripeness of a peach, and it is tailored to your baby's size and comfort. Many parents tell me they see their baby turn their head more easily, nurse more comfortably on both sides, and seem calmer and more relaxed after a few visits.

Because the spine protects the nervous system, keeping it moving freely supports the system that helps your baby grow, sleep, and settle. Many parents seek gentle chiropractic care when their baby struggles with colic, fussiness, or restless nights. Research on these concerns is still growing, so I am always honest that results vary from child to child. Still, I have seen countless tired moms and dads light up when they share that their little one finally slept a longer stretch or cried less after feedings. Pediatric chiropractic is drug-free and non-invasive, and it works best as part of a team approach alongside your pediatrician, never as a replacement. If you are curious whether it could help your baby, start with a conversation with a chiropractor trained in pediatric care. Ask about their experience, share your concerns, and let them build a gentle plan that fits your family. Those early months go by so fast, and helping your baby feel comfortable lets you enjoy more of them.



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CRPS Awareness Day

By Karen Geller

On Monday, Nov. 2, members of the 10 a.m. Zumba class at the Brigantine Community Center wore orange to generate awareness for Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS).

This is the fifth year that classes have supported "Color My World Orange Day." CRPS afflicts more than 200,000 people in the United States, many more than one would suspect.

Class member Karin Jones suffered from CRPS for five years. She suffered excruciating pain and was on painkillers. She knew that opioids were not the answer.

Karin, fortunately, found the right doctor who brought her from a pain level of 10 to a pain level of zero.

Karin is grateful for Marisela, her Zumba instructor. Zumba played a positive role in her recovery. It was important for her to keep moving, and exercise is part of her routine.

So today the Zumba group celebrated the success that Karin has experienced. Friends brought in fresh orange slices, orange mums and orange candy to share for the celebration.

As you can see in the picture on page 7, the Zumba family supports Karin, and is wearing orange to bring about awareness of Complex Regional Pain Syndrome, hoping that others who may be suffering will be able to get help in the way that Karin Jones has.

Are you or a loved one celebrating a Birthday Soon?

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In honor of Veterans Day, the Brigantine Times recognizes Seaman Joseph M. De Govann through his tribute ceiling tile at Brigantine VFW Post 6964. The tile commemorates his U.S. Navy Reserve service from 1970 to 1972 and features a photograph of the USS Joseph Hewes. The Times also recognizes Sgt. Joseph Schmidt through his tribute ceiling tile at Brigantine VFW Post 6964. The tile honors his U.S. Air Force service from 1967 to 1971, identifies him as a Vietnam War veteran and features the Strategic Air Command emblem.

National Day of...

Friday, November 6
National Nachos Day
National Saxophone Day

Saturday, November 7
National Bittersweet Chocolate with Almonds Day
National Play Outside Day

Sunday, November 8
National Cappuccino Day
National STEM/STEAM Day

Monday, November 9
National S crapple Day
National Louisiana Day

Tuesday, November 10
National Vanilla Cupcake Day
National Forget-Me-Not Day

Wednesday, November 11
Veterans Day
National Sundae Day

Thursday, November 12
National French Dip Day
National Chicken Soup for the Soul Day



Joke of the Week

Why do cows wear bells?

Because their horns don't work.

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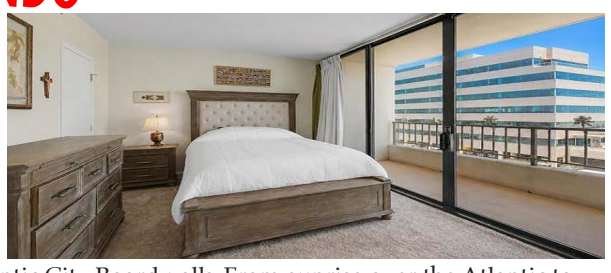


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SOUTH END 5 BEDROOM



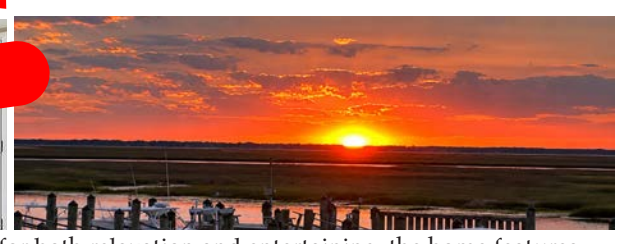



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Home features **3 bedrooms, 3.5 bathrooms**, and a private boat slip!

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WILDWOOD CONDO COTTAGE

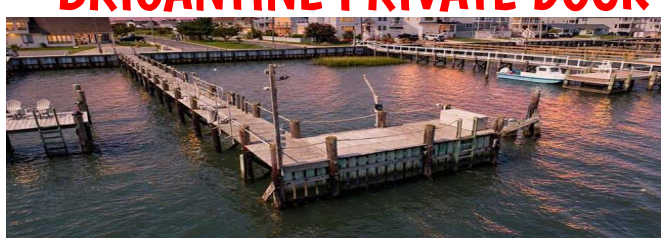
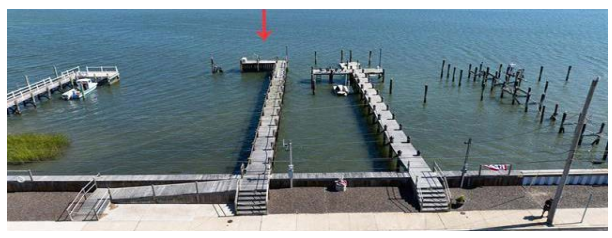




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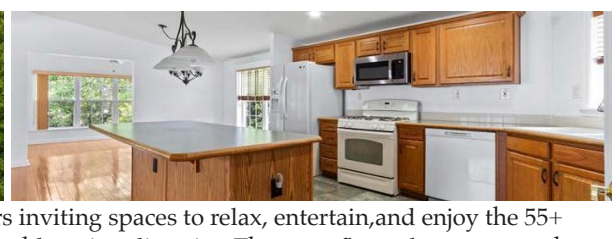




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