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Everyday in Frankford



Robert Duld, aged 71, removes valuable metals for scrap from a broken air conditioning unit in the back of his pickup truck outside his Frankford home. Robert "has no kids but raised three families". Now retired, he enjoys baking everyday and recycles used goods sourced from his neighbors to keep himself busy.

PHOTO CREDIT: Chris Baker Evens

"Everyday in Frankford" is a new feature in the Frankford Gazette by photographer Chris Baker Evens.

Chris grew up in Australia and moved to Frankford with his family three years ago. He is passionate about bringing dignity to local communities and finding joy in small, ordinary moments of life. He recently exhibited a selection of photographs, at the Daral Building, called "Found in Frankford" and is working on a new series of portraits.

Frankford NAC Zoning OKs Montague Street

By Christine DeJesus



The Frankford NAC zoning ROOF OVER A PREVIOUSgroup, at the May 10th meet- LY-APPROVED ing, approved the application (SEE AP#810536 FOR ZONby the owner of 5401 Monta- ING APPROVAL, AP#810542 gue Street: PERMIT FOR AD- FOR BUILDING PERMIT), DRESS L&I CASE #589322 AT THE REAR OF AN EX-FOR BUILDING DECK W/ ISTING ROOF WITHOUT PERMITS; STRUCTURE USED AS SIN-

SEMI-DETACHED FOR THE ERECTION OF A GLE FAMILY HOUSEHOLD

opposition.

Coming up at a future Frankford NAC zoning meeting

5520 Harbison Avenue

St. Barts,: PERMIT FOR THE ERECTION OF A ROOF DECK OF AN EXISTING STRUCTURE; FOR ERECTION OF ONE(1) AC-CESSORY FREE-STANDING MECHANICAL **MOTION** SIGN (AREA OF SIGN 28.8 SF)(FOR THE TENANT ON-LY) (HARBISON AVE 4512 Tackawanna FRONTAGE); FOR THE CRE- Street: PERMIT FOR USE AS ATION OF THIRTY-FOUR TWO-FAMILY DWELLING (34) ACCESSORY SURFACE (TWO-FAMILY HOUSE-PARKING SPACES INCLUD- HOLD LIVING) IN AN EX-ING WITH TWO(2) ACCES- ISTING STRUCTURE. SIBLE SPACES ALL ACCES-SORY TO EXISTING BUSI-OFFICES AND

LIVING, SIZE AND LOCA- ROOM RESIDENCEAS AS TION AS SHOWN ON PLAN/ PREVIOUSLY APPROVED. APPLICATION. There was no SIZE AND LOCATION AS SHOWN IN THE APPLICA-TION.

1540 Womrath

Street: PERMIT FOR CON-VERSION OF SINGLE FAMI-LY DWELLING TO A TO-TAL OF THREE DWELLING UNITS (MULTIFAMILY HOUSEHOLD LIVING) IN AN EXISTING ATTACHED STRUCTURE Case was continued due to new attorney representing the case.

The next Frankford NAC zon-NESS AND PROFESSIONAL ing meeting will be held on SINGLE June 14th at 7 PM at a location to be announced.

Frankford High Freshman Art Going to Congressional Competition

By Bob Smiley

Congressman Bob Brady (D. PA) has selected the artwork of **Danelly Cabrera**, a 10th grade student at Frankford High to represent the First Congressional District in the 2018 Congressional High School Art Competition.

Miss Cabrera utilized digital media to create her artwork, entitled "Double Exposure." It features birds in-flight superimposed on the artist's digital image. She says she was using her hair as a metaphor for a nest from which the birds are flying. The work was also selected for The Center for Learning Through the Arts Award by the School District of Philadel-

Miss Cabrera says she enjoys her classes with photo media teacher Adam Anderson, who also serves as Lead Technology Teacher and Art Department Coordina-



Media teacher Adam Anderson with Danelly Cabrera

as an artist.

tor at Frankford. But, as she com-sional artist. She hopes to be a pletes her first year in high school psychologist. Miss Cabrera's famshe is not looking toward a career ily, originally from the Dominican Republic, moved to Philadelphia last year from New York.

She did not want to be a profes-

Congressman Brady said, "I was pleased to select the work of this talented high school freshman, new to Philadelphia and the First Congressional District, who is also an immigrant. In these politically confusing and troubled times in our nation it is important that we recognize the talents, aspirations and contributions of those who have come to America for a better

The Congressional art exhibition will be on display for ten months in the Tunnel of the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C. "These young artists will have their work seen by hundreds of thousands people from across the country and around the world who visit the House office building and the U.S. Capitol," Congressman Brady Frankford Gazette textblast
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Graduation Pictures?

If you or someone in your family graduated this year, we would like to honor them by publishing their picture in the Gazette.

Email gil@frankfordgazette.com







MOTHER KNOWS BEST

From my first step to my first dance,
who's the one that tells me to stand up straight?

It doesn't matter if I win or lose the race,
who's standing on the side waiting to embrace?

From Junior High to senior prom,
who's waiting for me to walk down the aisle?

From the first day that I leave the nest,
who's telling me this is one big giant step?

Because in the end-Mother Knows Best.

BY LENNY JAYNES

Second Baptist Church of Frankford

Rev. Darrell R. Bradsbery, Pastor 1801 Meadow Street

By Grace Alone Frankford Church

1300 Dyre Street

Sundays at 9 a.m. For more information call 610-283-2969 www.bgachurch.org

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Officer Gary Frank Skerski Memorial Bridge

By Bob Smiley

The bridge that crosses the Frankford Creek on Castor Avenue was formally dedicated in honor of Philadelphia Police Officer Gary Skerski who was killed in the line of duty 11 years ago.

The ceremony was held on Tuesday, May 8th at 10 AM. The bridge is located on Castor Avenue between Wyoming Avenue and Cayuga Street.

In addition to the family of Officer Skerski were State Representatives Dawkins, Taylor and Cruz, and State Senator Tartaglione were there.

Officer Skerski was murdered on duty 11 years ago when he encountered an armed robbery in progress at Pat's Café, at Castor Avenue and Arrott Street.





RAIN OR SHINE! SATURDAY, JUNE 16, 2018 10 AM to 2 PM

Meet at Jefferson Frankford Hospital 4900 Frankford Avenue Parking lot at Frankford & Wakeling Sts.

Bike Riders & Vendors Registration: 9:30 AM (Vendors, please bring your own tables and chairs! Thank you!)

BIKE RIDE BEGINS AT 11 AM GIVE AWAYS! FREE REFRESHMENTS! ENTER A RAFFLE TO WIN KIDS' BIKES!

For more information, please call Town Watch Integrated Services: Ronald Ryan (cell phone) 267-496-8168 or Alicia Hernandez-Mette (office) 215-686-1459



















St. Senator

Tartaglione



Dawkins



















In Memory of these 125 Frankford residents who served their country and lost their lives. It is not to glorify war but to acknowledge their service.

"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.."

Civil War John Gibson Albert Dungan Sewell Randall William Batt David Chipman Robert Smith John Stott John Castor Joseph Williams William Baxendine John Williams William Wilkinson James Crocket William Blackburn George Lever

Lewis B. Evans **David Potts** Richard Standing George Gregson John Johnson Charles Wonderly William C. Wilson Thomas Pilling William McMullen Charles Layton James Harmstead Henry Castor Joseph Batt James Ferry Robert Kay George Vanhart James Bolton John Hart James Burk Almon Smith William A. Vanatter Eliiah Hunt John F. Gilberson Thomas Kirkwood

James K. P. Bryan



Thomas Stott Battle of Gettysburg

Charles T. Mahan David Feaster Edgar Thomas Chapman William Fairhurst William Wight Joseph Johnson Peter McNally Robert Rae James Butcher Robert Lesher Samuel C. Rodgers Adam Hafer William Allen James Donnelly Wallace Shaw Louis Lesher Rudolph Price Samuel Deardon William Martin Isaac Hilt James Pierce Alfred Clymer

Lewis C. Hong

William Hope Rupert Carney George Baxendine David P. Allen George L. Bragg John Taylor James Hilton Thomas Stone Michael Shuster William Revnolds Charles H. Cooper Thomas C. Stott George Frederick Putt Charles H. Wilson Nicholas J. Carty

World War I

Warren John Decker Jesse Vandergrift William Johnson Thomas William Astbury Benneville Wellington Bertolet Amos Raymond Taylor Charles Harold Redman Howard B. Cantelly Charles Francis Elliott Joseph T. McClurg Elmer J. Needham William Charles Peel Horace Givens William Wilkinson Neumann Joseph Alexander Coyle George Cassels Louis Redding **Edward Nelis** Charles J. Coyle Walter Carroll Brinton Admiral Johnson

World War II

William M. Fairhurst Eugene Paul Shipley William J. Ferry Francis Keeley Eugene David Harpel Jr. Joseph Herbert Clark Charles Henry Blittersdorf Andrew Krull Walter Bryan Gossling Jr. George Edward Frey

World War II and Korean War

Joseph George Wilusz Donald Stainthorpe Sirman

Korean War

John Leszczynski Jr James Bartholomew Crane

Cold War

John Wesley Harvey

Vietnam War

Frederick George Lynch Lloyd Calveria Wilson Theodore Lauer Fischer Stephen Paul Blanchett Matthew Higgins Charles William Daut Charles J. Gibilterra Thomas Joseph Dowd Daniel Joseph Savage Thonas John Laughlin David Wayne Comber

MUSIC, MEMORIES, and MOTHERS

By Kathleen Bracken

early this month at the Peter packed itinerary. Breslin Northeast Senior Center on Friday May 11th, 2018.

Mothers. Any mothers, grandeverything they have done.

The festivities begat at 10am with the arrival of State Senator Christine Tartaglione, who is no stranger at the center. The Senator generously provided a delicious breakfast buffet for all in attendance. She was gracious and positive in her inter- Councilman-at-large, actions with the seniors. She Green was another key person also posed for picture taking, involved with the celebration. Senior Center Advisory Board

day. She even stayed to grab a Mother's Day was celebrated bite before continuing with her

Representative Jason State Dawkins also attended the cele-The celebration was all inclu-bration. After his welcoming sive celebrating the Spirit of remarks, Rep Dawkins handed flowers to all the ladies to the mothers, or anyone who wanted delight of many. Despite his to celebrate a Mother were hon-busy schedule, Rep. Dawkins ored. These people were re- spent a generous amount of membered with much love for time and also presented the Lunch was accompanied by DJ Center with a Proclamation John Conklin's which highlighted the much- memory lane. needed services the center pro- Smokey Robinson, he played vides and recognizing the Cen- music by James Brown, the ter's role in Older Americans Supremes and numerous other Month activities during the Motown stars. Everyone did month of May. He also posed some toe tapping while others for pictures.



State Senator Christine Tartaglione enjoyed her time at the Center

marked and appreciated by all.

trip down Starting with couldn't resist and headed for the dance floor while singing Derek along.

providing the seniors with Although he was unable to at- President Helen Wilkerson said something to remember the tend, his efforts are greatly re- "I believe the day was very

nice. Everyone was moved."

The staff of the Center presented each woman with a personalized gift and acknowledged the contribution of each wom-

The staff sold raffle tickets for a goodie basket contains over \$100 worth of merchandise. Tickets are still available \$1 each or \$5 for 6. The winner will be announced on Friday, May 25th, during the Center's Open House and Memorial Day Barbecue

Center Director, Jim Crawford remarked. What A Wonderful Mother's Day here at the center. The music was bumpin and the floor was jumpin. I was so happy to see everyone have such a great time."

Reimagining Margaret-Orthodox

Join the Frankford CDC for the Frankford ReMix Block Party on June 16th from 2 to 6 PM. Music, Games, Vendors, Food, and More!

Featuring: Diamond Kuts, Karikatura, El Guaco Loco GELAT'OH Brick & Motor, The Burger Bank

We will be showcasing recent projects, such as our new building, Frankford Pause Park, and the facade improvement of Frankford Beverage Inc..

Also, we will be introducing our Reimagining Margaret-Orthodox initiative. "Reimagining Margaret-Orthodox" is a fiveyear community development strategy, grounded in community engagement and neighborhood planning, to transform the Frankford Avenue Corridor area around the Arrott Transportation Center. More specifically, Reimagining Margaret-Orthodox calls for improvements that include developing vacant buildings and parcels, facade improvements, and streetscape improve-

Frankford CDC's goal is to encourage people to rediscover the area, changing the perception of the neighborhood and restoring people's sense of place and pride in Frankford and spur further development and investment along the corridor.



Coming Up in Frankford

Overington Flea Market - Sat, June 2, Frankford, 1507 Orthodox Street - The 9am - 1pm, 1300 Block of Orthodox Street - Come out to Overington Park for our 2nd Annual Flea Market, 9 AM to 1PM. Flea Market will be held along the 1300 Block of Orthodox Street in Frankford. Come early for the best pick. Rain date - June 3rd Also Perennial Plant Sale in the park,

Frankford's 9th Annual Multi Cultural Affair - Sat, June 2, 12pm – 5pm, much more. Gambrel Recreation Center, 1900 Wakeling Street - Free activities for all ages: Kids Zone, face painting. health screenings, entertainment, free food, vendors, gift baskets.

Grand Army of the Republic Museum Open House - Sun, June 3, 12:00pm - 3:30pm, 4278 Griscom Street - Presentation at 1:00 PM: AU-THOR JIM REMSEN - THE UNITED RAFFLE TO WIN KIDS' BIKES! STATES COLORED TROOPS

Friends of Overington Park - Tue, June 5, 7pm, Friends Meeting House, 1500 Orthodox Street - The group maintains and supports Overington Park at Orthodox and Leiper Streets. New members needed. We meet In the Park from May to September.

Frankford Civic Association Meeting - Thu, June 7, 7pm, St Mark's Church Frankford, 4442 Frankford Avenue

St. Valentine's Flea Market - Sat, June 9, 9am - 5pm, 2330 Margaret St. Many specialty items

Golabki, pierogi, hot dogs for sale, parking available, info 267 640 parking available, 7340/215 535 4978

Frankford Business and Professional **Association** - Tue, June 12, 12pm - 2pm, 4667 Paul Street - Featured Speakers Dan Levin SSC Solutions Hospital, 4900 Frankford Ave Janey Grier Wells Fargo 15th Police District RSVP to Ileana Garcia, Commercial Corridor Manager, at 215-743- Keystone First Frankford Fitness 6580 or igarcia@fcdc@gmail.com

Historical Society of Frankford - Tue, June 12, 7:30pm, Historical Society of

Circus in Frankford - Patty McCarthy.

Neighborhood Advisory Committee Meeting - Thu, June 14, 7pm, Location to be announced

Frankford Day - Sat, June 16, 9am -7pm, 900 Orthodox Street - A full day festival with games, rides, food, family fun, local vendors, a full concert and

Frankford Bike Ride for Peace & Resource Fair - Sat, June 16, 10am -2pm, Jefferson Frankford Hospital 4900 Frankford Avenue - Bike Riders & Vendors Registration: 9:30 AM (Vendors, please bring your own tables and chairs! Thank you!) BIKE RIDE BEGINS AT 11 AM GÍVE AWAYS! FREE REFRESHMENTS! ENTER A

Keystone First Frankford Fitness Series - Sat, June 16, 10:30am 11:30am, Frankford Pause Park, 4600 block of Paul Street - Beginners Yoga

Re-imagine Frankford - The Remix, Sat, June 16, 2pm - 6pm, 4600 Block of Paul Street - Engaging the community to envision and plan the community centered revitalization of Frankford

Northwood Civic Association Meeting - Tue, June 19, 7pm - 8pm, Simpson. Recreation Center, 1010 Arrott St.

Open House at St. James Christian **PreSchool** - Sat, June 23, 11am – 2pm, 5185 Castor Ave.- For more information, call 215-743-2412.

15th Police District PSA1 Meeting Thu, June 28, 7pm, Jefferson Frankford

Series - Sat, June 30, 10:30am 11:30am, Frankford Pause Park, 4600 block of Paul Street - Zumba

Spring Programming at Frankford Library

ADULT

Laptop Classes: Email Basics, 12pm-1pm, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; June 5 **Resume** Assistance: Thursdays 12pm-1pm, May 3, 17, 24, 31; June 7 - One-on-One Assistance available by appointment. Call to make an appt with DRS at 215-685-1473.

Teen Third Thursdays: Crafts, games and fun for Teens Only. 3rd Thursday of the month, 4:30 p.m. May 16

SCHOOL AGE

Wii Wednesdays with Vince: Come play your favorite Wii games with Mr. Vince. For Teens and school-aged kids. 4th Wednesday of the month | 4:30 p.m. May 23

Frankford Library Minecraft Club: Come build and play *Minecraft* with other kids, ages 8 to 12. Your host will be librarian Mr. Pagán. We'll be playing in creative and peaceful mode only! Call or stop by to sign up. Saturdays at 2:00 p.m. - May 5, June 2

Preschool Storytime with Mr. Pagán: Preschoolers and their caregivers are welcome to come to listen to stories, do finger plays and sing songs with children's librarian Mr. Pagán. - First and third Tuesdays of every month at 11:00 AM - May 1 and 15, June 5 and 19

Frankford's Lego Playtime: Come to build with our Lego collection along other kids ages 6 to 12. Your host will be children's librarian Mr. Pagán. Call or stop by to sign up. - Saturdays at 2:00 p.m. - May 19

Lectura bilingüe de cuentos infantiles - Spanish/English Bilingual Storytime: For children and their parents. Read by librarian Mr. Pagán. The third Wednesday of every month. Come one time, or all the time. - Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. -

Para niños y sus padres. Leido por el bibliotecario Sr. Pagán. El tercer miercoles de cada mes. Vengan una vez o todas la veces que quieran. - Miercoles a las 6:00 p.m. - 16 de mayo

Block Building Parties: Block Party!? Wooden Block Party in the library. On the first Wednesday of the month, join librarian Mr. Pagán to build whatever you want with our collection of over 2,000 blocks, signs and figures! Children ages 4 and up are encouraged to build, create, and play! Come one time, or all the time. Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m. - May 2, June 6

Frankford's Wednesday Movie of the Month: Come the second Wednesday of every month and watch a fun family movie hosted by librarian Mr. Pagán. Come one time, or all the time! - Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m. - May 9 - Ferdinand

Services at St. Mark's Episcopal Church

4442 Frankford Ave.

8:30AM SIMPLE AND

SHORT WORSHIP

Sunday Morning Bible Study: 9:00am 10:00AM Main WORSHIP SERVICE Northeast Baptist Church 4744 Tackawanna Street

Service at 11:00 AM Sunday

Padre Pio Prayer Center

Chapel corner of Griscom and Church Sts. Mass 730 AM Tues, Wed, Thurs Mass: 700 PM Monday and Wednesday Mass: Saturday 800 AM (Spanish)

Chapel open for private prayer Monday through Friday from 7 to 9 PM

Campbell AME Church

1657 Kinsey Street Church Office: 215-288-2748

Email: campbella.m.e.frankford@gmail.com

St. James Lutheran Church 5185 Castor Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19124 215-743-1828 www.StJamesPhilly.com Sunday Worship Service: 10:00am

Friday Night Youth Ministry (4th to 12th Grade): 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Services at Faith Assembly of God 1926 Margaret St

Sunday 11 A.M. and 6:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Friday 7:30 P.M.



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