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## **People Helping People**

By Terry Heiser



As you see, neighbors came prepared for shopping.

tian Reformed Church of Frank**ford** arranged for America's Grow A Row of Pittstown, NJ to supply to Frankford Memorial (4-hour farm fresh fruit and vegetables for round trip). Volunteers from By distribution at Frankford Memorial United Methodist Church to rial give the produce to the cliqualified recipients on Saturday mornings during the harvest season and household items are available. (late July to early November).

In 2018, an average of 16 volunteers and 2 drivers served produce to an average of 49 clients representing an average of 312 people,



Kelly and Maryanne are ready with the tomatoes and peaches.

including themselves. In 2019, the program will resume on Saturday, July 27, at Frankford Memorial.

In 2017, By Grace Alone Chris- Volunteers plant and harvest the produce at AGAR. transport the produce from AGAR Grace Alone and Frankford Memoents. In addition, donated clothing

The Frankford Farmers Market is a



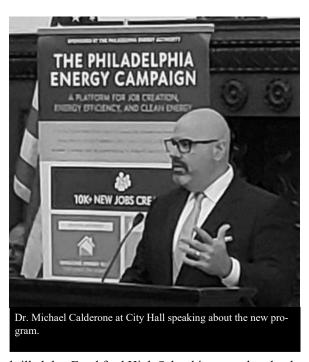
Kelly and Sheldon Crosbie, (R) Frankford Farmers' Market Coordinator on a recent Saturday.

great example of people coming together to help others in need - all without any government involvement.

### CITY SELECTS FRANKFORD HIGH SCHOOL TO HOST **NATION'S FIRST HIGH** SCHOOL SOLAR PROGRAM

School District of Philadelphia Superintendent Dr. William Hite, and PECO Vice President and General Counsel Tony Gay joined the Philadelphia Energy Authority (PEA) to announce the selection of Frankford High School as the site for the nation's first Solar Energy Program of Study.

"The Philadelphia Energy Campaign is on track to create 10,000 jobs by 2026 and the graduates from the new Solar Program will be poised to step into those new positions,"Council President Darrell L. Clarke (5<sup>th</sup> District) said.



"I am thrilled that Frankford High School is on track to be the first high school in Pennsylvania to offer a Solar Energy program of study," added Dr. Michael Calderone, Principal of Frankford High School. This will give my students the option to continue their studies in solar and other renewable energies at the college level or jump right into a career with continued opportunities for advancement."

## Frankford NAC August Zoning Meeting

By Christine DeJesus

At the Frankford NAC zoning meeting on August 8th at Second Baptist Church, the following cases were heard:

1619 Wakening Street - Came to us before but failed to appear in front of ZBA. Had to reapply. We sent a letter of approval. (The same as last time)

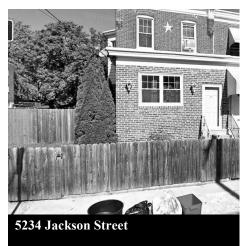


1619 Wakening Street



1704-06 Foulkrod Street

1704-06 Foulkrod Street - Variance to legalize a three family dwelling. Residents opposed it citing the increase in traffic, started work on the property without prop-



er permits. Since it was already legalized as a duplex, they would like it to remain.

5234 Jackson Street - Variance to legalize a 6 foot chain link fence already installed. Fencing in the front is supposed to be at least 50% opaque and be four feet in height. We sent a letter of non opposition.

The next Frankford NAC zoning meeting will be held on September 12th at 7 PM at the Second Baptist Church, 1801 Meadow Street.

## "The Friends of St. Joachim Cemetery"

is a newly formed sub-committee of Keep the Faith in Frankford and Holy Innocents' Parish. Joe Taylor is the Co-ordinator of this effort and it was begun to clean up, restore and maintain the St. Joachim Cemetery. The Cemetery rests behind the Church at Griscom and Church Streets.

A clean-up day was held on Saturday, August 17th. Joe shared a brief history of the cemetery and participants completed various tasks from trimming trees to bushes and weeding! Well done and many thanks to all who turned out to help.

There is another clean-up day planned for Saturday, September 28, 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM. Joe will talk about two important, early Pastors of SJ and our most famous person buried there that we have found thus far. For more information, visit us on Facebook, https://keepthefaithinfrankford.org/the-friends-of-st-joachim -cemetery/, or email Joe Taylor at Joseph.M.Taylor12@gmail.com, text/call 215-360-6818.

Keep the Faith in Frankford is a 501(c)(3) corporation and you can donate directly towards this effort on our website. Joe and the team are focusing on the cleanup and restoring the benches! Thank you!



Julia and Sal Roldan tame the ivy surrounding one of the large tombstones in the cemetery.

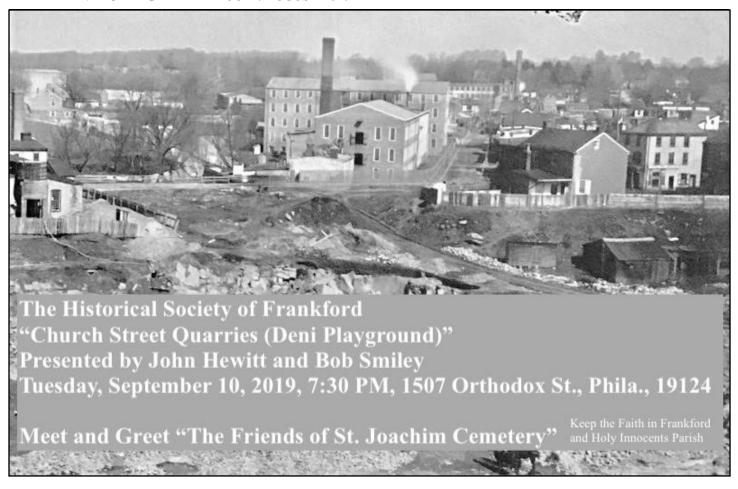
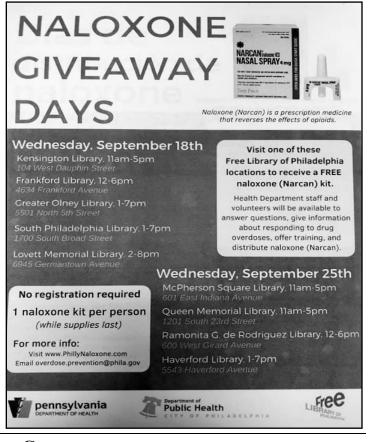




Photo by Harry Kennedy



## Veteran of the Month—WilliamTurner

By Richard Johnson

William Thornton Turner was born on September 4, 1946 in Philadelphia. William, affectionately known as Thornton was educated in the Philadelphia Public School System.

Thornton accepted Christ as his personal savior at an early age. He was drafted into the United States Army where he served two tours in Vietnam. He was honorably discharged after serving three years. He was awarded many medals, such as the parachute badge, National Defense Service Medal and was an expert in firearms.

After Thornton's discharge from the Army



Thornton always kept a job and worked for many years for a nursing home in Coatesville until he retired due to his health.

Thornton was a quiet and unassuming man who loved to travel, read and hop on a bus to the casinos. He also enjoyed family gatherings and would spend most holidays at his niece Shirlene's house for dinner.

Thornton was a private person who always did his own thing. In his younger years, some would say he was a lady's man. He was a wonderful brother, uncle and just and all around nice guy who will be sorely missed.

## First Annual Northwood Food Truck Festival



Mari, Rose, Wendy Clay, JoAnne Ryles, Carolyn Humphries, Kim Washington from the Frankford CDC and Northwood resident, State Reps Joe Hohenstein and Jason Dawkins, and the many other volunteers, donors, sponsors, and organizers of today's Food Truck Festival; GREAT JOB.



The Northwood Civic Association was not involved in any way organizing this event; it was done solely by the neighbors. Hopefully some of those people will accept nominations in October so that can change for future events. It was a great idea, orga-

nized well, and was a complete success. I was glad to see the officers from our 15th district had to do nothing more than enjoy



the day and talk with neighbors, proving once again how great and welcoming Northwood is.

My daughter and her friend ate nothing but junk food. They called that a success.



Joe Krause



From its inception I thought the idea of a neighborhood (food) festival in the park with activities, vendors and live music was great idea. Rose Williams and Mari Carrasquillo (and others assuming) your hard work paid off with an event for all to enjoy. I'm glad I came for many reasons but one in particular, it was an opportunity to meet that greatest asset in Northwood, the people. thanks!

John Graves

Photos by Mari Carrasquillo

#### Ruth

By Christina Mancini

It is with the heaviest of heavy hearts that I share with you all that one of our very favorite people, Ruth, who blessed us enormously with her presence at the Dining with Dignity meals at St. Mark's, passed away at home.

I think if she were here to deliver this news, she would want us to know that she did it her way and break out into song.

She could and did string off countless jokes and one liners, sometimes in perfect Irish brogue when the situation

called for it (btw she was Polish). She wore a different brooch each week, which she carefully selected with purpose.

She was fiercely independent and private, and was enormously proud of her past career in the finance world.

It makes my heart glad to know that her audience is bigger and better than ever before and that so many people up above in the great beyond are able to enjoy the person we have come to love over the last few years.



Center in December 2018.

Community Event

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Maineva and Quinten White are happy to announce the marriage of their daughter Jasmine to Eugene Byrd.



**Jasmine and Eugene** have dated since they were 16 years old. They both actively participated with the Frankford Chargers Football organization, she as a cheerleader and he as a football player affectionately nickname "U-Turn".

Jasmine and Eugene married on April 5, 2019 in Ocho Rios, Jamaica, and were joined by over 100 guests to witness them exchange vows. The love that is shared between these two is present in the hearts of everyone dear to them. We are so proud and so very happy for them!

# FRANKFORD Farmers Market

Every Saturday-July 27th thru Nov. 2nd, 2019\*
10 am until supplies last - 1300 Dyre Street
\*Subject to change of weather and harvest conditions

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By Grace Alone & Frankford Memorial UMC with America's Grow A Row

#### **Meet Grayson Shyeem Gayle**

Sophia Lewis is proud to announce the birth of her grandson.



Nana (Sophia Lewis) resides in the Frankford Community and is head over heels in love with her precious grandson. She says, "there's no-limits to her spoiling him". He's her perfect miracle and blessing sent by God.

#### Back to School

I hope you read my letter and shared it with your friends, and show them how mean you've been from beginning to end.

Knowing we were more than friends, from elementary to Junior High.

Now you're with your friends and talking Jive, with a gun in your hand but no real plans, dropped out of school now who's the fool?

So get it together, and go back to school, and show them with education you can still rule.



By LENNY JAYNES

#### St. Thomas United Methodist Church

4701 Tackawanna street Rev. Carlos M. Carrero, Sr. Sunday morning bible school 10 AM Morning worship 11 AM 215 744-2738

### Word of Faith Evangelistic Church

Pastor Siretta Humphrey Bishopn Stephen Humphrey 1400 Orthodox Street 267-248-0017

Weekly Services: Sundays, Praise & Worship Services 11am Wednesdays, Pray & Bible Study

## FRANKFORD FINAL FRIDAY

Join us for another great final Friday in Frankford Pause Park!

On the last Friday of every month, we'll be celebrating all things Frankford by bringing you fun, free community events that feature local food and craft vendors.

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## Coming Up in Frankford

Grand Army of the Republic Meadow Street Museum Open House - Sun, September 1, 12:00pm – 3:30pm, **Recovery Café -** Fri, September Griscom Street Presentation at 1:30 PM: HISTO-**GETTYSBURG** 

Meeting House, 1500 Orthodox Street - The group maintains and supports Overington Park at Orthodox and Leiper Streets. This park has been resurrected and now hosts events almost every month of the year but it can't do Meeting - Tue, September 17, it without your active participa- 7pm, Simpson. Recreation Cention. New members needed. Join ter, 1010 Arrott Street us the first Tuesday of the month. We meet In the Park from May Naloxone Giveaway Days to September. Wed, September 18, 12pm -

Frankford Civic Association Frankford Avenue Meeting - Thu, September 5, 7pm, St Mark's Church Frank- 15th Police District PSA1 ford, 4442 Frankford Avenue

- Tue, September 10, 7:30pm -9:00pm, Historical Society of Hope4Philly-Frankford - Sat,

lecture on the history of the While supplies last Church Street quarries that once Police District Advisory Comoccupied the present site of Deni munity Meeting - Mon, Septem-Playground behind St. Joachim's ber 23, 7pm, 2900 St Vincent school.

13, 7pm – 9pm, St Mark's Church Frankford, 4442 Frank-RIAN & AUTHOR TOM HUN- ford Avenue - Every 2nd Fri of Frankford hosts a Recovery Cafe. This Coffeehouse Event to cele-Friends of Overington Park - brate and encourage those in Tue, September 3, 7pm, Friends recovery as well as those who support them. This free event is complete with live music, dessert fare, and positive uplifting fellowship. [Doors open at 6:30]

Northwood Civic Association

6pm, Frankford Library, 4634

Meeting, Thu, September 19, 7pm, Bridesburg Recreation Cen-Historical Society of Frankford ter, 4601 Richmond Street

Frankford, 1507 Orthodox Street September 21, 10am – 2pm, Har-The Church Street Quarries ding Middle School Field, 4900 (Deni Playground) Presented by Torresdale Avenue - Free Gro-John Hewitt and Bob Smiley A ceries, kids zone and more.

Street

Neighborhood Advisory Zon- Frankford Final Friday - Fri, ing Committee Meeting - Thu, September 27, 6pm - 8pm, September 12, 7pm, Second Bap- Frankford Pause Park, 4673 Paul tist Church of Frankford, 1801 Street -Frankford Final Fridays!

and enjoy all the great things that Philly-based Frankford has to offer!

Globe Dye Works - 4500 Worth Street -

Frankford. The show will feature link works which focus on the theme theforumsoulcall.eventbrite.com of homelessness, by a collective of East Coast and local-Philly

We'll be repping local talent with artists. Inspired by the stories of Frankford-based food trucks and the homelessness in Philadelphia craft vendors. Stop by, hang out, and cities alike everywhere, the artist-collective's works will navigate you through heartening narratives, promoting TINGTON, MAINE ROADS TO every month. St Mark's Church, The Forum (Soul Call Series) - empathy and secure attachment Sat, September 28, 4pm - 10pm, in society. Join us as we provide you with an insightful and artistic journey, toting the fine line be-"The Forum" is a one-day event tween fantasy and reality. For on Saturday, located in historic details, go to Eventbrite at this https://

Fall programming at

The Frankford Library

To Be Announced

New Children's librarian coming to Frankford

Services at St. Mark's Episcopal Church

4442 Frankford Ave.

10:30 AM 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

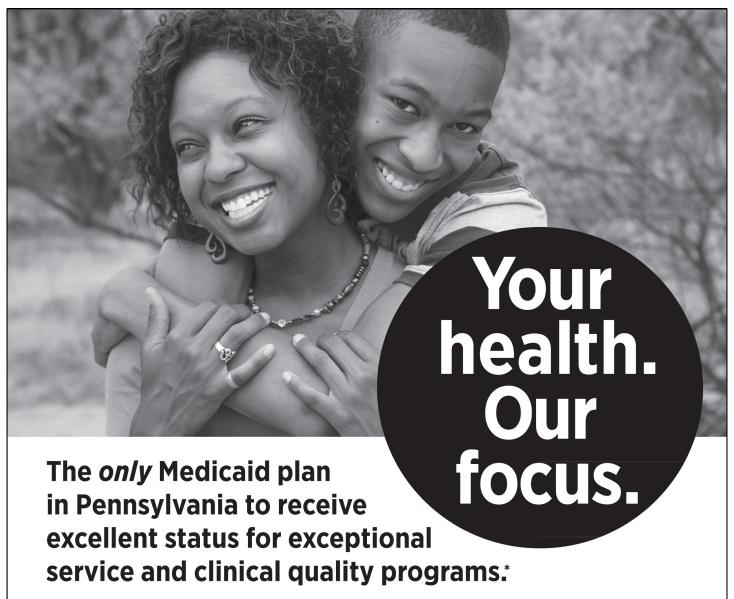
#### Campbell AME Church

1657 Kinsey Street Church Office: 215-288-2748 Email: campbella.m.e.frankford@gmail.com **Relevance Community Church** 

5185 Castor Ave. 215-743-1828 RelevancePhilly@gmail.com Sunday Contemporary Service 10 am Youth Ministry (1st-12th grade) Fridays, 6 pm—8:30 pm Addictions Meeting Tuesdays, 7-8 pm

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