

Monthly Newsletter JULY 2022

# Fast Camden News

## **STREETS**

PSE&G Work on Gas Pipes TO START ON 1/10/22 in Camden - 27th Street Stakeholders and Residents: Beginning the week of January 10, 2022, PSE&G Gas will be upgrading the gas pipes along 27th Street, between Marlton Pike and Westfield Avenue. This work is the next phase of the underground upgrades to 27th Street. Work is expected to be complete by

March 31, 2022. For More Information call 1-833-661-6400 in case of any questions or concerns.

Phone Number to Report Potholes: 856-757-7200

# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & BEAUTIFICATION:

The Cramer Hill Neighborhood Plan for 2030 has been finalized. Click <a href="here">here</a> to see the final plan.

# THIS MONTH'S MEETING WILL FEATURE:

East Camden Lead Dust Abatement Conceptual Designs led by James Vander Vliet, PS&S Consultants and the presentation and selection of the Better Block application winners. Click <u>here</u> to view meeting recording.



# **GRAFFITI**

To report graffiti or illegal dumping contact PUBLIC WORKS HOTLINE 856-757-7034 - the hotline is manned Monday – Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Or email publicworks@ci.camden.nj.us





## **PARKS**



#### **Weekly Events** time Concerts.

June

July 9 @ 8:30 am

July 23 @ 8:30 am

August 4@6 pm

August 5 @ 8 pm

August 11 @ 6 pm

August 19 @ 8 pm

September 1 @ 6 pm September 2 @ 8:30 pm

August 13 & 14 @ 10 am

July 15 @ 8 pm

July 22 @ TBD

July 29 @ 8 pm

July 30 @ 9 am August 2 @ 7 pm

FITNESS CLASS HAPOWORK FITNESS CLASS

### FITNESS CLASS 💢

Cooper's Poynt Waterfront Park May 20 @ 7 pm Camden Night Gardens June 2 @ 6 pm Poetry in the Park with "The Hoodbrarian" Cramer Hill Waterfront Park Cooper's Poynt Waterfront Park June 3 @ 8 pm Outdoor Movie June 10 @ 8 pm Outdoor Movie Gateway Park Horizon Cooking Challenge June 11 Kroc Center June 17 @ 8 pm Outdoor Movie June 18 @ 9 am I Bike Camden Cramer Hill Waterfront Park June 24 @ 7 pm July 1 @ 8 pm Cooper's Poynt Waterfont Park July 2-3 Trenton Circus Squad July 7 @ 6 pm

Poetry in the Park with "The Hoodbrarian" I Paddle Camden• 4th & Washington Park Arnetta's Band Camp Concert. Wiggins Waterfront Park I Paddle Camden 2\* Outdoor Movie Liney Ditch Park Family Fun & Fitness Day+ Cramer Hill Waterfront Park

National Nite Out Poetry in the Park with "The Hoodbrarian" Outdoor Movie Camden's aot Talent Peace Games Basketball Tournament. Outdoor Movie

Farnham Park Cramer Hill Waterfront Park Cooper's Poynt Waterfront Park Dudley Grange Park Von Neida Park 4th & Washington Park

Poetry in the Park with "The Hoodbrarian" Outdoor Movie

Cramer Hill Waterfront Park Von Nieda Park

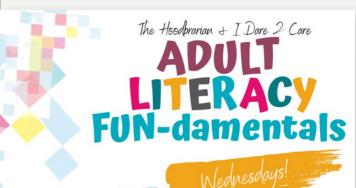
\* Events require registration. For more information and to register visit www.connectthelotscamden.com or @CTLCamden on @Instagram & @Facebook

# **EDUCATION**

CCSD Adult Basic Education Program prepare for GED/HiSet Exam, ESL, Family Literacy and Computer Literacy. To register call 856-966-5122 x 32400

Do you want a job in the culinary field? Click here to learn more.

Post Enrollment for the 22-23 school year is now open. Students as young as 3 yrs old can register for PK if they turn 3 before Oct. 1. 2022. Visit www.onecamden.org to learn more.



FINANCIAL LITERACY LIFE SKILLS RESUME BUILDING CONFIDENCE BUILDING

July 6- Aug 10 6-8PM Open to age 18+

I Dare 2 Care Family Life Center Dare Academy 1656 Kaighn Ave Camden, NJ 08104



>JULY 5- AUG 10 TUES 6PM - 8PM >OPEN TO AGES 5-12

I DARE 2 CARE FAMILY LIFE CENTER DARE ACADEMY 1656 KAIGHN AVE CAMDEN, NJ 08104

FUN-DAMENTALS

CONTACT US AT THEHOODBRARIAN@GMAIL.COM







## HOUSING

The New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency will open registration on a new Emergency Mortgage Assistance Program – made possible through American Rescue Plan funding.

Click **here** for more Info or call 855-647-7700.

New Jersey's Eviction Protections and Self-Certification Form. Click **here** for more info.

Camden County RECOVERS Rental Assistance Grant. For more info click here.

The Camden Fire Department is intalling free fire detectors in homes. To request smoke detectors, please contact fire@ci.camden.nj.us or 856-757-7520

If your home needs working smoke alarms, sign up for a home fire safety visit from your local Red Cross.

Click here for more information and to enter your zip code to get started.



# **PUBLIC SAFETY**

Camden County Police Department: Your feedback matters! Please take our survey to help us gain insight on ways we can serve you better. Click here for survey.

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & JOBS

Camden County Police is hiring fulltime police officers. To apply visit: https://camdencountypd.org/careers

Aramark has multiple job openings in Camden. Visit this **link** to learn more.

Center for Family Services have multiple openings. Click **here** to learn more

Virtua is Hiring. Visit www.virtuacareers.com

UrbanPromise is Hiring. Click **here** to learn more

The Kroc Center is Hiring. Click here to learn more.



# **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & JOBS**

Opening for bus drivers in Camden. \$2,500 Bonus \$500 bonus after successfully completing training class, \$1,000 bonus after earning your NJ Commercial Learner Permits (CLP), \$1,000 after 3 months of employment More Info Here



#### Classes Are Held Every Month

**Limited Seating Available** Seating is limited to 15 participants per session. You will be contacted by a One-Stop Representative with your reserved session date and time. Confirmation is required.

> Camden County One-Stop Career Center 101 Woodcrest Road-Suite 127



Cherry Hill, NJ 08003

Open to the General Public Certification Valid for 3 years



To sign up for Forklift OSHA Safety Training Click Here Or Point Camera to QR code



\*\*\*Must have a picture ID\*\*\*



- mden City Resident ailable to serve on a full time basis
- gh School Diploma or high hool equivalency diploma (GED)

- Living Allowance of \$559/biweekly
- Health Insurance Childcare
- **Education** award

#### For more information contact:

focused on improving green infrastructure in Camden City. Members serve to address Camden's environmental issues such as water quality, storm water management, and clean and green initiatives.

powercorps@centerffs.org or 609.315.6942

centerffs.org/our-services/workforce-development













Turning Your Hobby Quick Start Series



## NOW ENROLLING FOR **FALL 2022 COURSES**

**APPLY NOW** 

LAEDA's Entrepreneurship Programs are no-cost business education courses designed to teach individuals how to start, operate and expand a small business. There are a wide range of programs held throughout the year. It's important to find the right program for you. Complete an application today to start your journey!



After completing the LAEDA program in March 2021, my business is now up and running. While I have been selling my items, I recently had a grand opening for my online store in April. I want to thank LAEDA for all its support and training... I am so grateful to this program for inspiring and helping hustlers become entrepreneurs!! - Monique P.







# South Jersey Legal Services Reentry Project

The Reentry Project is dedicated to helping income eligible individuals with civil legal matters that are barriers to community reintegration, including:



- Expungements of Criminal History
- Drivers' License Restoration
- Obtaining Identification
- ✓ Resolution of Municipal Court Fines
- / Employment/Occupational

Licensing

Other Related Issues

Please Contact Our

Centralized Intake Unit (800) 496-4570 sjlsintake.org

English and Spanish language paralegals are available Phone lines open Monday through Friday,  $8:30~\rm{a.m.}-4:00~\rm{p.m.}$ 





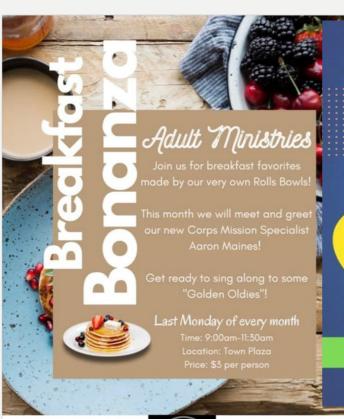
Meeting room ID

483 131 5328 Password: JJ

Peter.burgos@camdenfso.org

visit our website: www.jjfep.org

camden county





DATES AND LOCATION AUGUST 1, 2022 H.B. WILSON FAMILY SCHOOL

AUGUST 10, 2022 COOPER'S POYNT FAMILY SCHOOL

10 AM - 2:30 PM

COME OUT AND ENJOY MUSIC, FOOD, PRIZES, RAFFLES, GAMES AND MORE

ALL CCSD SCHOOLS WILL HAVE INFORMATION AVAILABLE

856-966-2507





Rutgers University-Camden Scarlet Raptor FOOD



CITY OF CAMDEN MAYOR VICTOR CARSTARPHEN

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES BUREAU OF RECREATION & YOUTH SERVICES



Time: 10 am to 11:45 am



Millennium Skate World 1900 Carman Street **Camden. NJ 08105** (856) 757-7460



**FREE** to City of Camden Residents

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL (856) 757-7285 OR (856) 968-6444 EMAIL: HUMANSERVICES@CI.CAMDEN.NI.US



#### CITY OF CAMDEN MAYOR VICTOR CARSTARPHEN

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES BUREAU OF RECREATION & YOUTH SERVICES 1000 N. 6th Street, Camden, NJ 08102 Phone: (856) 757-7285 Fax: (856) 757-7336

**PRESENTS** 

Camden Community Boxing Club
1000 N. 6th Street, Camden, NJ 08102

Mon. - Fri.

### Session A

Time: 4 pm to 5:30 pm youth ages: 8-11

### Session B

Time: 5:30 pm to 7 pm youth ages: 12-18



#### **Promotes:**

Coordination **Health & Wellness Self-Defense** 

Concentration

**Discipline & Focus Improves Self Esteem** 

~ MASK & SOCIAL DISTANCING IS REQUIRED ~

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL (856) 757-7285 OR (856) 968-6444 EMAIL: HUMANSERVICES@CI.CAMDEN.NI.US



## Senior Freeze

**Property Tax Reimbursement** 

# 2021

### Eligibility Requirements:\*

You were age 65 or older on December 31, 2020, or you were receiving Social Security disability payments on December 31, 2020, and also on December 31, 2021;

and

· You lived in New Jersey continuously since December 31, 2010, or earlier as either a homeowner or renter;

· You owned and lived in your home or leased a site in a mobile home park for a manufactured or mobile home that you owned since December 31, 2017, or earlier;

· You paid all 2020 property taxes by June 1, 2021, and all 2021 property taxes by June 1, 2022;

- Your annual income was less than \$92,969\* in 2020 and less than \$94,178\* in 2021. With some exceptions, all income must be taken into account, including Social Security, pension, etc.
- \* Eligibility rules, income limits, and benefits may be changed by the State Budget that will take effect on July 1, 2022.

For Additional Information:

- Visit: nj.gov/axation, select Property Tax Relief and then Senior Freeze Program;
   Call the Senior Freeze Hotline: 1 (800) 882-6597.



#### FLUSHING SCHEDULE

American Water, the City's contracted water service provider, will be conducting fire hydrant flushing for 10 weeks beginning April 4, 2022 during the hours of 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

#### WHY WE FLUSH

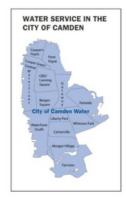
Flushing helps us to clean out any build up of mineral deposits and sediment inside the pipes. These harmless deposits can occur when water service demands are reduced during the winter months. It also allows us to use the hydrants to make sure they are operational and to check fire flows.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT

When crews are in the area, you may experience a drop in water pressure or discolored water. If discolored water occurs, let the cold water run until it is clear.

#### HOW TO PREPARE

- Draw water for cooking ahead of time.
  Store a large bottle of water in the refrigerator for
- Check for discolored water before using the washing



QUALITY. ONE MORE WAY WE KEEP LIFE FLOWING.









# 2022 Weekly Veg Delivery

- \$5 for 5 items delivery = we choose + \$1 delivery fee pick up = you choose + no fee
- Pick up 10:30a 12:30p 412 Jasper St
- Bouquets and additional items avail during



Venmo, PayPal, or

Deliveries to WFS neighborhood only

# 2022 CLEAN UP SCHEDULE ALL CLEAN-UPS ARE 9AM TO 2PM



April 22, 2022	(Earth Day) Bergen Square/Waterfront South – Liney Ditch Park **Friday
May 4, 2022	(Navy Week) Stockton/Marlton – Alberta Woods Park, 29th & Fremont Av
May 14, 2022	New Camden & Evergreen Cemeteries, Mt. Ephraim & Ferry Ave **Satur
May 25, 2022	Fairview – Yorkship Square
June 4, 2022	Parkside – Farnham Park, Park & Baird Blvd **Saturday
June 15, 2022	Rosedale/Dudley - Dudley Grange Park, Federal & Dudley Street
June 25, 2022	Morgan Village – Rev. Evers Park, Morgan Blvd **Saturday
July 6, 2022	Lanning Square/Cooper Plaza – 4th & Washington Park
July 20, 2022	North Camden – Northgate Park, 6th & Elm Street
July 30, 2022	Cramer Hill – Von Neida Park **Saturday
August 10, 2022	Liberty Park/Centerville – Isabel Miller Community Center
August 24, 2022	Whitman Park - Whitman Square Park, Louis & Everett Street
September 7, 2022	Bergen Square – TBA

#### Interested in Volunteering?

Please call: 856-757-7200, or email: CamdenClean@ci.camden.nj.us



# OUTDOOR CATHEDRAL KITCHEN

# **BBQ SERIES**

TUESDAY JUNE 28TH (RAIN DATE 30TH) THURSDAY JULY 21ST (RAIN DATE 22ND) THURSDAY AUGUST 25TH (RAIN DATE 26TH)



# *NJ BOOK CLUB*

For more infomation, scan the code to visit our **Community Events Calendar** 



with Danielle Jackson

### **BOOKS WE'RE READING:**

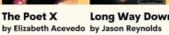
Open to teens in Camden, Atlantic City, and Newark, NJ. Join us in-person or virtually!

**Thursdays** June 30-Aug. 25 2-3 p.m.

cbuck@mightywriters.org or 856-295-1048

Sign up:









Giveaways, Music, Family Fun and more! Strollers & dogs are welcome!



9AM-9:30AM Registration T-shirts & Bags Family Fun Day Begins! 9:30AM-10AM Warm Up with

4-Time Olympian, Joetta

10AM-10:15AM "Heels 2 Health" Heels must be at least 1 inch, No Wedges!

10:15AM-12:00PM Visit Vendors & Get Your **Fitness Passport Stamped** 

12:00PM-12:30PM Awards & Comments

**Camden Track and Athletic Fields** 401 Jersey Joe Walcott Blvd. **Camden, NJ 08102** 

**Joetta Sports & Beyond** 

FAMILIES MUST REGISTER IN ADVANCE AT camden\_family\_fun\_fit.eventbrite.com















Put a stop to lead by staying 3-steps ahead

#### Step 1: Request the test!

Talk to your child's healthcare provider about getting a blood lead test. A blood test is the best way to determine if a child has been exposed to lead. While a 3.5 blood lead reference number identifies a child with elevated blood levels, remember that NO AMOUNT OF LEAD IS SAFE.

#### Step 2: Schedule a FREE home lead test

Call Saint Joseph's Carpenter Society to schedule a FREE home lead test at 856-966-8117 ext. 225. If lead is found, you may be eligible to receive up to \$13,000 in repairs to make your home lead safe.

# Step 3: Regularly wet-mop floors, windows, and windowsills.

When old paint cracks and peels, it makes lead dust. Lead dust is so small you cannot see it. Children get lead poisoning from swallowing dust on their hands and toys.

> Lead isn't safe for anyone but children under 6 are most at risk. If you are pregnant, lead can harm your baby. Schedule your FREE home lead test today!



NJ is offering free home lead testing to renters, homeowners and landlords!

To schedule a FREE home lead test call 856-966-8117 ext. 225 or email Iveliz Porrata at iporrata@sjcscamden.org





#### SUNSET JAZZ SERIES - WIGGINS WATERFRONT PARK

All concerts are on Monday nights starting at 8 PM

6/06 - Kenny G

6/20 - Danilo Pérez's Global Messengers

6/27 - Corinne Bailey Rae

7/18 - Ruthie Foster

8/01 - The Sugar Hill Gang

8/15 - Matt Cappy

8/29 - Third World



### FREEDOM FESTIVAL-

**WIGGINS WATERFRONT PARK - 7/04** 

5 PM - Kickoff - Tri-County Symphonic Band Salute to America & Our Veterans

6:30 PM - Travel Lanes

8 PM - The O'Jays

9:30 PM - Fireworks Spectacular over the Delaware River



#### XPONENTIAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

**WIGGINS WATERFRONT PARK - 9/16, 9/17, 9/18** 

The War on Drugs • Patti Smith and Her Band • Geese Nathaniel Rateliff & The Night Sweats • The Revivalists • Snacktime Visit xpnfest.org for more info.

### Interested in FREE training in the Culinary Field?





Cathedral Kitchen

# **Information Session**

Fall 2022 Session

Meet the Chefs and get an overview of our FREE 15-Week Culinary and Baking Arts Training Course

Classes begin Monday, September 6, 2022 Monday - Friday, 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Attendance at one of these sessions is **required** to enroll in the program **Call 856-964-6771 to reserve your spot** 

1514 Federal Street, Camden NJ 08105

For more information visit www.cathedralkitchen.org/job-training

Contact Ja'Net Dingle at **856-964-6771** or through Email at **ja'net@cathedralkitchen.org** for any further questions Thursday, July 14 9:00 - 11:00 AM

Thursday, July 21 9:00 - 11:00 AM

Thursday, July 28 9:00 - 11:00 AM

Thursday, August 4 9:00 - 11:00 AM

Thursday, August II 9:00 - II:00 AM

Thursday, August 25 9:00 - 11:00 AM

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# See you later EastSide

This past year has been super meaningful to me not only because I was able to work at an organization that gave me the opportunity to do so many of the things I love but gave me the chance to serve the very neighborhood I grew up in.

It has been an absolute joy serving each and every one of you. Throughout this year, I've been able to reconnect with neighbors and have seen them become more comfortable with embodying the true resident leaders they've always been. I've been able to meet new residents who are just as passionate about community change. I've been able to work with stakeholders who are doing their very best to impact our home in positive and intentional ways.

You have all taught me the true power behind real community partnerships. It takes ALL of us, residents (young and old), community organizations/agencies, business (small and big), and holding our leaders accountable.

Thank you East Camden not only for raising me but allowing me to be a part of the change. Life is a beautiful rollercoaster with unexpected turns, after graduating with my Radio, TV and Film production degree back in 2013 - 8 years later after working in public service I have been given the opportunity to use my degree. I will be relocating to NYC and working for a media advertising agency under the largest black owned media conglomerate that focus on telling black and brown stories. I will continue to tell Camden's story and carry you all with me in everything I do.

This isn't a good bye but a see you later because there's always a reason to come back home.

Signing off - Stay Safe, Stay Well, Stay ENGAGED EASTSIDE

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P.S. Stay in touch - feel free to email me at berrios.soley@gmail.com

