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Dear Friends,

Carteret has much to be proud of, and among those many things is the state's largest and most popular Latin Fest, which returns July 27 to Waterfront Park and Veteran's Pier. Headlining will be Jersey-raised Raul Acosta and his band Oro Solido. Many other highlights can be enjoyed by Carteret families and visitors to our booming town. All you need to know is on pages 12 and 13 of this month's Carteret Press.

Also in this issue:

- News of Carteret being the only New Jersey recipient of the highly competitive RAISE Grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation for the forthcoming Carteret Intermodal Transportation Building
- Bid details of the construction of the forthcoming Pier Restaurant Pavilion
- Details about the bids awarded for the construction of the ferry's water work and parking lot
- A photo gallery of family fun at Carteret Public Library
- Coverage of the NAIOP Redevelopment Award
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exports Virginia Dare, who recently moved their international headquarters to Carteret

- A CPAC Spotlight on Scott Bradlee's Postmodern Jukebox, who'll celebrate their 10th anniversary of touring on July 18 at URSB Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center
- An Events Calendar
- Notices about The Borough's Latin Fest, OEM's upcoming training programs, our free Recycle Coach app, Carteret PAC's schedule, and Carteret Municipal Marina in Waterfront Park.

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Mayor Daniel J. Reiman



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Contract Awarded for Construction of Restaurant Pavilion on Veteran's Pier



Arco Construction Group of Elizabeth will construct a \$2.26 million restaurant pavilion adjacent to Veteran's Pier in Carteret Waterfront Park on the Arthur Kill.

Mayor Daniel J. Reiman has announced that the Borough has awarded a \$2,259,000 for the construction of a restaurant pavilion on the waterfront to Elizabeth-based Arco Construction Group.

The project entails a 70 by 46-foot, 3,220-square foot seasonal pavilion that will operate from spring through fall, as well as a 6 by 25-foot access gangway on Veteran's Pier in Waterfront Park.

"Great things continue to happen for our wonderful waterfront increasing its appeal as a destination for residents and visitors," Mayor Reiman said. "The pavilion will be a welcomed addition to the many popular waterfront events the Borough frequently presents, including our Independence Day Festival, Latin Fest, and weekly summer concert series."

The pavilion will be connected to Veteran's Pier, Mayor Reiman said. Two-thirds of the project will be paid for with a \$1.5 million county grant, the Mayor said.

The exiting new phase of improvements in the park will in no way impact access to the fishing areas available at or on the waterfront pier, Chief of Staff Frank Bellino added.

"As is authorized by New Jersey state law and NJDEP Green Acres regulations, this covered pavilion is to provide our residents and visitors with added amenities, such as lite refreshments, a beverage or snow cone at Waterfront Park," Bellino said. "This will greatly improve the amenities that we already offer at the waterfront and make this a more enjoyable and open public destination for everyone."

Coinciding with the pavilion is a 25-foot cooking trailer built by Maryland-based Mobile Kitchens USA. The mobile kitchen will be based in Waterfront Park near the gazebo.

Recreational features within Waterfront Park also include a marina, a mini golf course, a putting green, a volleyball court, an exercise trail, and a bocce court. Current waterfront construction includes an expansion of the northern and southern pier extension. Future plans include a movie studio and hotel with rooftop amenities, restaurants and retail adjacent to the forthcoming Carteret Intermodal Transportation Building that also will feature rooftop amenities, restaurants and retail, as well as office space, a bar lounge and more.

More than a century ago, Carteret's waterfront was residential and public, but in the 1890s, chemical companies acquired the properties, took down the colonial mansions along the waterfront and created a "chemical coastline," Mayor Reiman said.

Throughout its 21-year tenure, the Reiman administration has been taking back these properties, fighting private polluters and bureaucratic agencies to provide what is now miles of public access along the Carteret waterfront, as well as active and passive recreational amenities.

"Carteret Waterfront Park is an award-winning urban waterfront public park that we are proud to have," Bellino said.

"We've gone after DuPont Chemical, U.S. Metals," Mayor Reiman added. "We've sued and won natural resource damages cases against all of these polluters requiring that they provide public space, open space, access to the waterfront. Taking back these properties, requiring them to clean up the properties, to pay civil penalties to the Borough that we're using to provide these public amenities."

The state Department of Environmental Protection approved a Water Framework Directive In-Water Permit and a Water Quality Certificate authorizing the construction of the restaurant pavilion.

Intermodal Transportation Building receives \$5.6M USDOT RAISE Grant



The Borough of Carteret is the only New Jersey recipient of the highly competitive RAISE Grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation. The \$5.6 million award will go to the forthcoming Carteret Intermodal Transportation Building, pictured.

The Borough is the only New Jersey recipient of the highly competitive \$5.6 million grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation, Mayor Daniel J. Reiman recently announced.

The Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant will help with the construction of the 47,000 square-foot Carteret Intermodal Transportation Building, the hub of the Borough's forthcoming ferry service.

"This is a highly competitive grant to which towns, counties and states from all over the country, can apply and compete," Mayor Reiman said. "It's an extremely difficult grant to obtain, so we are very grateful to President Biden and the U.S. Department of Transportation for investing infrastructure funds into this intermodal ferry terminal. This program would not be possible without the implementation of the 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill championed by Congressional leaders like Frank Pallone."

When he signed the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill, President Joe Biden said, "This is an investment that's going to connect entire towns and regions to new opportunities. With this investment, we're sending a message to those communities and to the people who call them home: You matter!"

U.S. Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg added, "In communities across the country, there is a tremendous need for transportation projects that create high-quality jobs, improve safety, protect our environment, and generate equitable economic opportunity for all Americans. With RAISE grants,

we are making those needed investments in our communities' future."

Carteret has become a very desirable location to live, work, and raise a family. The Reiman administration has fought for years to increase Carteret's economic competitiveness, and to create opportunity for growth through new residential and commercial development, the newly constructed Carteret Performing Arts and Events Center, upgraded parks, and stable tax rates. The addition and implementation of this new public transportation option will positively impact the community economically. Creating ferry travel opportunities also is a critical component to opening waterfront areas and increasing access to work and recreation activities.

Among thousands of applicants throughout the U.S. and its territories, the extremely competitive RAISE Grant is awarded to only a handful of recipients to fund transportation infrastructure projects. The projects must improve safety, environmental sustainability, quality of life, community connectivity, and economic competitiveness and opportunity, including tourism, partnership, collaboration and innovation.

Carteret Intermodal Transportation Building will provide access to several forms of alternative transportation. In addition to a ferry to New York City, a Borough jitney service, NJ Transit bus service, and bicycling and walking will be available.

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Construction starts on ferry in-water & uplands improvements

Mayor Daniel J. Reiman has announced that the Borough has awarded contracts for the next phases of both in-water and uplands construction of the forthcoming ferry terminal.

Howell-based George Harms Construction Co. was awarded \$7,945,299 million for in-water construction work, while Old Bridge-based Black Rock Enterprises was awarded \$6,414,165.15 million for uplands construction.

“This is truly an exciting time for Carteret,” Mayor Reiman said. “Soon the ferry will safely and efficiently deliver commuters from Carteret and the surrounding area every day to downtown Manhattan and the Financial District.”

In the wake of state Department of Transportation approvals, construction of a ferry terminal will include an in-water fixed pier, floating docks for passenger loading and unloading, connecting gangways, timber ramps, a wave screen, and steel piles, according to design plans.

A timber staircase will connect the floating dock with one of three ferry boats, and two parallel aluminum gangways will connect the fixed pier to the floating dock. A fixed pier will be 25-feet long by 16-feet wide, and the floating dock will be 40-feet long by 40-feet wide with gangways measuring 65-feet long by 5-feet wide.

The upland phase will include a 700-space parking lot, lighting, utilities, and to mitigate storm water runoff, inlets, porous pavement, and high density polyethylene and reinforced concrete pipes.

Construction has started and will be completed by Spring 2025.



In July, Carteret will continue work on its forthcoming ferry terminal, as well as its parking lot. The ferry site is pictured.

“Once the waterside improvements are done, we will operate a ticket booth out of a kiosk and an app on a smart phone until the Carteret Intermodal Transportation Building is completed,” Mayor Reiman said.

Funding came from grants from NJDOT, U.S. Department of Environmental Protection, and Federal Transit Authority. The Reiman Administration has secured over \$70 million in federal and state grants, including several competitive funds, such as the aforementioned 2022 FTA grant and a 2023 Congressional appropriation.

The bulkhead for the ferry terminal was completed in October 2022. NJDOT Office of Maritime Resources completed the dredging in January 2023.

RAISE Grant continued

Amongst its transportation component, the building also will include an Educational Center that will act as a training hub for ferry staff, plus public amenities, such as a grab-and-go automated grocery store, quick service grille, casual dining restaurant and roof top that offers views of the NYC skyline.

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“This is truly an exciting time for Carteret,” Mayor Reiman said. “After years of studies and permitting through what seems like the endless bureaucracy of government agencies, we will soon reinstate ferry service, which will safely and efficiently deliver commuters from Carteret and the surrounding area every day to New York City.”

For the ferry project, the Reiman Administration

has secured more than \$70 million in federal and state grants, including several other competitive funds, such as a 2022 Federal Transit Authority grant and a 2023 Congressional appropriation.

The planned intermodal transportation building is part of a larger multi-year, \$1.5 billion redevelopment plan to transform the Borough’s waterfront into a regional transportation, economic and recreational hub and destination. In addition to Waterfront Park, Veteran’s Pier, and Carteret Municipal Marina, which have already been completed. The waterfront redevelopment plans include the private construction of a 500,000-square-foot film production studio, and 150,000 square feet of ancillary retail and hotel space on private property adjacent to the ferry terminal

More information about the ferry and Carteret Intermodal Transportation Building is available at carteret.net/2024raisegrant/. More about the grant is at transportation.gov/sites/default/files/2024-06/RAISE%202024%20Fact%20Sheets.pdf.



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Carteret Public Library Launches Summer Reading Program



Families enjoyed “Penguin Pointers” with Jenkinson’s Aquarium, top, and “Storytime Day with Ann,” bottom, last month at Carteret Public Library. The library has launched its Summer Reading Program, the event schedule for which is below, as well is in the Event Calendar on pages 20 & 21.

July 2024 Summer Reading Program

August 2024 Summer Reading Program

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8. Movie Day: Migration 2 PM	9. Craft Day: Bubblegumz Ages 2 - 5 2 PM - 3 PM Limit: 25 Children	10. Board Games: All Ages 2 PM - 3 PM	11. Craft Day: Constellation Jar Ages 6 - 12 2 PM - 3 PM Limit: 25 Children	12. Stop by the library and pick up any left over crafts to take home.
15. Movie Day: Wreck-It Ralph 2 PM	16. Craft Day: Animal Mask Ages 2 - 5 2 PM - 3 PM Limit: 25 Children	17. Lego Day: All Ages 2 PM - 3 PM	18. Craft Day: DIY Binthouse Ages 6 - 12 2 PM - 3 PM Limit: 25 Children	19. Limited Nipponen Show: All Ages 2:30 PM
22. Movie Day: Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem 2 PM	23. Craft Day: Illuminating Art Ages 2 - 5 2 PM - 3 PM Limit: 25 Children	24. Board Games: All Ages 2 PM - 3 PM	25. Craft Day: Box Builder Ages 6 - 12 2 PM - 3 PM Limit: 25 Children	26. Stop by the library and pick up any left over crafts to take home.
29. Movie Day: Disney's Wish 2 PM	30. Craft Day: Just Dance! All Ages 2 PM - 3 PM Limit: 25 Children	31. Lego Day: All Ages 2 PM - 3 PM		

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1. Craft Day: Just Dance! All Ages 2 PM - 3 PM Limit: 25 Children	2. George The Magician Ages 5 - 12 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM
5. Movie Day: The Super Mario Bros. Movie 2 PM	6. Craft Day: Underwater Flashlight Ages 2 - 5 2 PM - 3 PM Limit: 25 Children	7. Board Games: All Ages 2 PM - 3 PM	8. Craft Day: Terrarium Ages 6 - 12 2 PM - 3 PM Limit: 25 Children	9. Stop by the library and pick up any left over crafts to take home.
12. Movie Day: Disney Pixar's Elemental 2 PM	13. Craft Day: Suitcase to Adventure Ages 2 - 5 2 PM - 3 PM Limit: 25 Children	14. Lego Day: All Ages 2 PM - 3 PM	15. Craft Day: Cupcake Contest Ages 6 - 12 2 PM - 3 PM Limit: 25 Children	16. Stop by the library and pick up any left over crafts to take home.



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Latin Fest Returns

Features fireworks, food, beer garden & appearances



Cultural dances will be among the many highlights of Carteret Latin Fest, New Jersey's most popular Latin Fest, which takes place Saturday, July 27 at Waterfront Park & Veteran's Pier.

Once again, New Jersey's most popular Latin Fest will return to the Borough's wonderful waterfront on Saturday, July 27 at Waterfront Park & Veteran's Pier.

Presented by Mayor Daniel J. Reiman, the Borough Council and Carteret Business Partnership, Carteret Latin Fest will be headlined by Jersey-raised merengue star Raul Acosta and his legendary band Oro Solido. Highlights also will include other live music, as well as popular DJs, a feast of Latin food, a beer garden, fireworks, cultural dances, and park attractions, such as mini golf, volleyball, a bocce court, and a putting green.

"Carteret is the most culturally diverse town in Central New Jersey and the third most diverse town in all of New Jersey with almost 40 percent of our community being of Hispanic descent," Mayor Reiman said. "Our annual Latin Fest is one of many

celebrations of Carteret's diversity. It has become one of the best attended Latin festivals in the state and is a fantastic opportunity to educate our community through food, music and cultural dances."

Considered to be one of the strongest voices in merengue today, Oro Solido has churned out solid gold hits, such as "Ta Cache," "La Tanguita Roja," "Maria se Fue," "El Baile del Beeper," "Una Naigadita," and "La Morena." The Dominican-born Acosta formed the band in 1994 in Jersey City and now is based in Florida.

Other performers will include:

- **Angelyse Mariah** – A United Masters artist raised in Union County, who has been making waves on the East Coast and soon will be bicoastal between N.J. and L.A.

to Waterfront Park!

ances by Oro Solido, Angelyse Mariah & fave DJs



Jersey City-raised Raul Acosto, left, founding front man of the internationally acclaimed merengue band Oro Solido, and recently signed Union County-raised Latin pop singer Angelyse Mariah will be among the music acts at Carteret Latin Fest on July 27 at Waterfront Park.

- **Eric Cabanilla y Su Grupo K'Ndela** – Newark-based salsa band with more than 15 years of live experience thrilling audiences in the tristate area

- **Santo Fereirra** – rising bachata star from Perth Amboy

- **DJ Anthony Rey** – host of “La Súper Mezcla de La X” on X96.3FM Latin radio

- **Latin Mix Masters** – 16-member Miami-style DJ ensemble that spins salsa, bachata, reggaeton, urban, and electronic dance music

- **MC Willie Will** – The mic master of Latin Mix Masters know, aka “El Party Maker.”

In addition to the music, attendees will be able to enjoy cultural dances in a variety of Latin styles, including salsa, merengue, bachata, cumbia, and

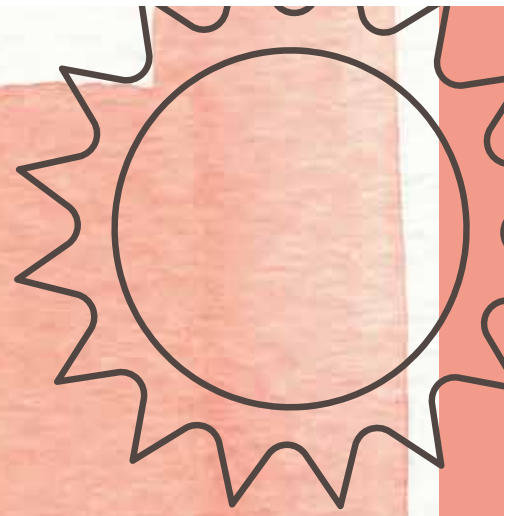
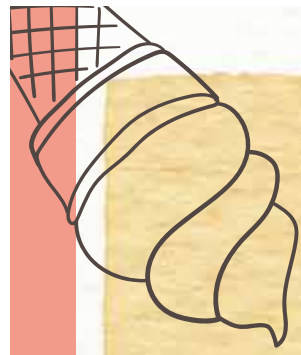
musica típica. A variety of Latin-style dishes also can be enjoyed, along with a beer garden.

The fest will be from 4 to 11 p.m. with fireworks scheduled for 9:15 p.m. at 100 Middlesex Ave.

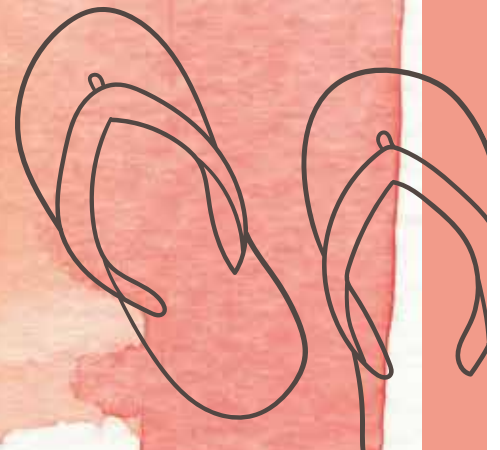
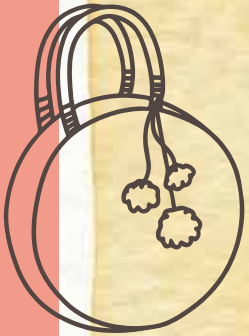
Because of the popularity of Latin Fest, additional parking will be located and buses will run from 4 p.m. to midnight at the following locations:

- Carteret Public Library, 100 Cooke Avenue
- Carteret Middle School at Carteret Park on Carteret Avenue
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Mayor Reiman honored by state chapter NAIOP commercial real estate association



Carteret Mayor Daniel J. Reiman, left, is pictured with the Caren S. Franzini Public Partner Award from the New Jersey Chapter of NAIOP, the commercial real estate development association, on May 16 at The Palace at Somerset Park in the Somerset section of Franklin Township. Pictured with the Mayor is Clark Machemer, Crow Holdings Development's Senior Managing Director for the Northeast Region. Machemer nominated the Mayor for the award.

Mayor Daniel J. Reiman received the Caren S. Franzini Public Partner Award on May 16 from the new Jersey Chapter of NAIOP, the commercial real estate development association.

The award honors “champions of economic development that inspires and transforms communities,” according to NAIOP.

“It’s humbling to receive the Caren S. Franzini Public Partner Award,” Mayor Reiman said. “I must acknowledge the tireless efforts of my team, whose dedication and cooperation made this possible. This award is a testament to our collective commitment to the Borough of Carteret and driving positive change in our community. I share this recognition with all those who work tirelessly to transform Carteret into a thriving hub of opportunity and growth.”

Mayor Reiman’s entire acceptance speech can be seen at carteret.net/news/carteret-mayor-daniel-j-reiman-honored-by-state-chapter-of-naiop-commercial-real-estate-development-association. A NAIOP video about the Mayor’s award can be seen at youtube.com/watch?v=OgzTsUl-ZwY.

The Mayor was nominated for the award by Clark Machemer, Crow Holdings Development’s Senior Managing Director for the Northeast Region.

Crow Holdings at Carteret features 1.2 million square feet of warehouse space on a remediated brownfield site off New Jersey Turnpike Interchange 12 in the Borough’s Landfill Redevelopment District.

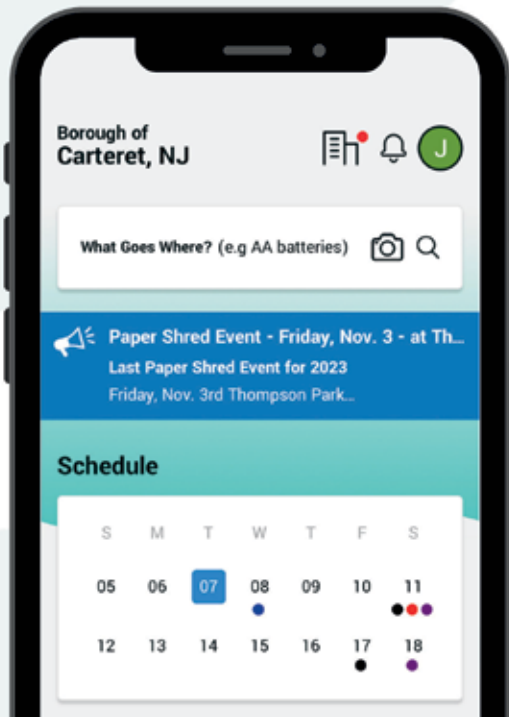
In his NAIOP nomination, Machemer said, “This mayor and municipality understand that development is an economic stimulant and driver for growth. They understand how to work with developers. When you go in with a proposal, they tell you what you can and cannot do. That’s music to any developer’s ear and is attributable to Mayor Reiman’s own vision for the town. And he has used -- and continues to use -- development for the betterment of his community.

“Mayor Reiman and the Borough were determined to take back a 126-acre former brownfield site and transform it from an environmental challenge to an economic success,” the nomination continued. “And from the start, the Borough was a great supporter of Crow Holdings at Carteret. Today, our three-building property at Salt Meadow Road is ready for occupancy just a half mile from Turnpike Exit 12. This campus, which has introduced a new world-class warehouse/distribution opportunity in the heart of the Greater Port submarket -- and already secured its first tenant in Weida Freight Systems -- is a quintessential illustration of public-private partnership at its best.”

The 2024 Commercial Real Estate Awards winners also included:

- Denholtz Properties CEO Steven Denholtz (Charles Klatskin Lifetime Achievement Award)
- Retired NAIOP NJ CEO Michael G. McGuinness (Industry Service Award)
- Roseland-based CSG Law and Bethan Rooney, port director of Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (Impact Award).

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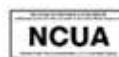
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Biz Profile: Virginia Dare Extract Co.



Virginia Dare recently upgraded its 206,500-square-foot facility on Federal Boulevard into a state-of-the-art international headquarters. PHOTO COURTESY OF VIRGINIA DARE

In the wake of celebrating its 100th anniversary, flavor industry leader Virginia Dare Extract Co. recently moved its international headquarters to its extensively renovated Carteret location.

The state-of-the-art 206,500-square-foot facility at 900 Federal Blvd. is twice the size of its previous Brooklyn location, where the company has operated since 1923, celebrating its centennial last year. The move brings more than 200 nutrition experts, researchers and technicians to Carteret with 90 percent employee retention, along with more local jobs that will be created, the company said.

Meanwhile, Virginia Dare also opened a California-based product development laboratory in Pasadena.

“Our added capabilities at the new headquarters and at a new location in California have experienced new hires, which will allow us to simplify and enhance our in-person collaboration with customers from coast to coast,” Virginia Dare President Howard Smith Jr. said. “Virginia Dare has built a legacy over the past century of providing high-quality flavors and extracts. Now we are positioned to continue serving the industry into the future.”

The Carteret site has been leased by Virginia Dare since 2019. However, it has not fully utilized the entire space until January of this year.

Named after the first English child born to settlers of the “new world” in America, Virginia Dare said it looked at many potential sites and chose one just 10 minutes away from Newark Liberty International Airport to make it much easier for customers and other guests to visit. The facility is 20 miles away from its former location.

The upgraded facility includes modern prep kitchens and world-class test facilities.

“It has ample capacity to accommodate continued growth toward the next century of flavor innovation,” Smith said.

For 101 years, Virginia Dare has worked with its partners to build products delivering preferred taste. Combining formulation expertise with substantial knowledge in sourcing and producing natural ingredients, Virginia Dare melds science, market insights, and sourcing to create business advantages for its partners. Virginia Dare’s combination of superior flavor platforms with focused industry expertise makes the company a leading partner for attaining preferred taste with strategic business value.

While Virginia Dare isn’t exactly a household name, nearly everyone has enjoyed its many delicious flavors in cakes, cookies, coffees, ice cream, and beverages. The company is one of the world’s largest producers of vanilla extract and vanilla products, and produces a broad range of coffee, tea and cocoa extracts. It creates and supplies flavors to national food, beverage, dairy, health, pharmaceutical and oral care industries.

Eduardo Villagomez, vice president of vanilla products, recently said that when the company was split between Brooklyn and Carteret, samples were sent between the two facilities by courier or shipped to clients, slowing down communication both internally and with clients. Being able to leverage the feedback of staff on location helps speed up the production process, and being able to host customers within feet of the lab allows for a quick turnaround of samples based on their feedback.

“It’s easy for me to go down to my office, test with the team, and it also builds a relationship with the team,” Villagomez said.

For more info about Virginia Dare, visit virginiadare.com.

UPCOMING SHOWS



JULY 13
*THE MAGIC OF
ROB LAKE*



JULY 18
*SCOTT BRADLEE'S
POSTMODERN JUKEBOX
THE 10 TOUR*



JULY 27
*THE UNDERGROUND:
LINKIN PARK NIGHT*



AUGUST 17
*THE
RIGHTEOUS
BROTHERS*



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DUPREES*



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*RED HOT
CHILLI PIPERS*



AUGUST 31
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TOUR*



SEPTEMBER 17
*BACHMAN-TURNER
OVERDRIVE FEATURING
RANDY BACHMAN*



SEPTEMBER 24
*WHEEL OF FORTUNE
LIVE!*



SEPTEMBER 28
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TAKEOVER*



OCTOBER 4
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THE FOREIGNER
EXPERIENCE*



OCTOBER 18
*CROSSING OVER WITH
PSYCHIC MEDIUM
JOHN EDWARD*



OCTOBER 19
*GLORIA
GAYNOR*



OCTOBER 26
*TOMMY JAMES &
THE SHONDELLS*



NOVEMBER 1
*THE VAMPIRE
CIRCUS*



NOVEMBER 2
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THE JERSEY TENORS



NOVEMBER 15
*A BRONX TALE STARRING
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CPAC Spotlight: Scott Bradlee's Postmodern Jukebox



Scott Bradlee's Postmodern Jukebox perform vintage arrangements of today's hits. They will return July 18 to URSB Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center.

Even in our futuristic age of AI chat bots and virtual realities, there still is nothing in the world that compares with the thrill of hearing classic genres of music performed by a group of exceptional singers and musicians that have truly mastered the ability to move an audience.

That's the philosophy behind Scott Bradlee's Postmodern Jukebox, who are celebrating their 10th anniversary of touring with The 10 Tour, which comes July 18 to URSB Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center.

Three years before the retro-sounding music collective hit the road, they began reanimating today's pop hits via YouTube videos in such styles of yesteryear as ragtime, jazz, swing, big band, country & western, doo wop and soul. When their 2012 video of their Jazz Era-style, "Great Gatsby"-like cover of the Seattle-based hip-hop duo Macklemore & Ryan Lewis' "Thrift Shop" went viral, the live demands for the Queens, N.Y.-based PMJ came pouring in, as did requests for albums. A year later, PMJ's debut LP, "Introducing Postmodern Jukebox" was released, peaking at No. 8 on the Billboard Jazz Charts. They since have released more than 30 albums, including

the 2016 compilation, "The Essentials," which made it to No. 2 on the Billboard Jazz Chart.

Each week, the band releases a video to 6.24 million YouTube subscribers. Meanwhile, that "Thrift Shop" clip has gotten 17 million views.

Living up to the band's motto, "Today's Hits Yesterday," The 10 Tour set list has included 1920s-style covers of Dua Lipa's "Levitating" and Carley Rae Jepsen's "Call Me Maybe," a "Singin' in the Rain"-inspired version of Rihanna's "Umbrella," a Motown take on Beyonce's "Halo," and a torch song interpretation of Radiohead's "Creep."

For those seeing PMJ for the first time at Carteret PAC, dressing in vintage attire is encouraged.

Tickets to the 8 p.m. show are \$34.50 to \$120. A VIP package costs an additional \$75 and includes a premium ticket within the first 10 rows, an autographed limited-edition poster, early entry to the venue, access to merchandise before doors with a 25-percent discount, and a commemorative VIP laminate.

For more about and tickets to the show, visit carteretpac.com/events/scott-bradlees-postmodern-jukebox/. For more about PMJ, click postmodernjukebox.com/.

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JULY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<p>10 Board Games. 2-3 p.m., Carteret Public Library (all ages; also July 24)</p> <p>Art in the Park: Planting & Pot Decor. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Carteret Park</p> <p>CERT Training. 7 p.m., OEM HQ (reserve free spot at oem@carteret.net or 732-208-2400 by July 5)</p> <p>Movies in the Park: "Paw Patrol the Movie." 8:30 p.m., Carteret Park</p>	<p>11 Gentle Yoga. 10 a.m., Zentimacy, 29 Washington Ave. (also July 18)</p> <p>Art in the Park: Paper Mache. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Blazing Star Cultural Arts Center</p> <p>Craft Day: Constellation Jar. 2-3 p.m., Carteret Public Library (ages 6-12; registration required)</p>	<p>12 Art in the Park: Tie Dye. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Waterfront & Carteret parks (also Fridays to July 26)</p> <p>Concerts in the Park w/AJ Duo. 7 p.m., Carteret Park</p>	<p>13 First Aid/CPR/AED Training. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. OEM Headquarters (\$25 registration at oem@carteret.net or 732-208-2400)</p> <p>Kids Yoga. 12 p.m., Zentimacy</p> <p>The Magic of Rob Lake. 7 p.m., URSB Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center</p> <p>Movies in the Park: "Blue Beetle" 8:30 p.m., Carteret Park</p>
<p>14 Open House @ The Botanic. 12-3 p.m., 36 Washington Ave.</p> <p>Community Yoga on the Roof. 12 p.m., Zentimacy (also July 21)</p> <p>Concerts By the Bay with Frontiers. 7 p.m., Waterfront Park</p>	<p>15 Art in the Park: Bubble Painting. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Bishop Andrews Park</p> <p>Movie Day: Wonka (2023). 2 p.m., Carteret Public Library</p> <p>Heated Hatha Flow. 6 p.m., Zentimacy</p>	<p>16 Art in the Park: Freestyle Drawing. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Carteret Park (also July 30)</p> <p>Craft Day: Animal Masks. 2-3 p.m., Carteret Public Library (ages 2-5; registration required)</p>	<p>17 Art in the Park: Resin Art. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Carteret Park</p> <p>Lego Day. 2 p.m., Carteret Public Library (all ages; also July 31)</p> <p>R&B Wine Wednesday. 7 p.m., Zentimacy (also 7/10)</p> <p>Movies in the Park: "Migration." 8:30 p.m., Carteret Park</p>	<p>18 Art in the Park: Street Walk Mural. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Blazing Star Cultural Arts Center</p> <p>Craft Day: DIY Birdhouse. 2-3 p.m., Carteret Public Library (ages 6-12; registration required)</p> <p>Scott Bradlee's Post Modern Jukebox. 8 p.m., URSB Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center</p>	<p>19 Carteret Soccer Academy Fall 2024 Travel Tryouts. 5:30 p.m. July 19, Joseph Medwick Park Turf Field (for players born 2011-2016)</p> <p>R Child Stem Cell Center's Liquid Nitrogen Show. 2:30-3:15 p.m., Carteret Public Library</p> <p>Concerts in the Park w/Van Martin & His Big Band Sound. 7 p.m., Carteret Park</p>	<p>20 Kids Yoga. 12 p.m., Zentimacy</p> <p>Movies in the Park: "The Little Mermaid (2023)." 8:30 p.m., Carteret Park</p>
<p>21 Community Yoga on the Roof. 12 p.m., Zentimacy</p> <p>Concerts By the Bay with Stifler's Mom. 7 p.m., Waterfront Park</p>	<p>22 SWAG All Sports Camp: Sports Challenge Week through July 26, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Carteret Middle School (nflswagleague.com)</p> <p>Art in the Park: Freestyle Painting. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Bishop Andrews Park</p> <p>Movie Day: Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem. 2 p.m., Carteret Public Library</p>	<p>23 Art in the Park: Chalk Sidewalk Art. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Carteret Park</p> <p>Craft Day: Illuminating Art. 2-3 p.m. Carteret Public Library (ages 2-5; registration required)</p>	<p>24 Art in the Park: Dream Catchers. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Carteret Park</p> <p>OEM Training: "Until Help Arrives." 7-9 p.m. OEM Headquarters (free registration at oem@carteret.net or 732-208-2400)</p> <p>Movies in the Park: "Shrek." 8:30 p.m., Carteret Park</p>	<p>25 Art in the Park: Cardstock Birdhouses & Flower Crowns. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Blazing Star</p> <p>Craft Day: Bot Builder. 2-3 p.m., Carteret Library (ages 6-12; registration required)</p> <p>OEM Training: "Stop the Bleed." 6-8 p.m. OEM HQ (free registration at oem@carteret.net or 732-208-2400)</p>	<p>26 Concerts in the Park w/The Wood Vibrations Trio. 7 p.m., Carteret Park</p>	<p>27 Latin Fest with Raul Acosta y Oro Solido, Angelyse Mariah, El Grupo Kandela, Santo Ferreira, Anthony Rev from X96.3 FM, MC Willie Will, plus food, rides, beer garden, and fireworks. 4-11 p.m., Waterfront Park</p> <p>Linkin Park Night -- Tribute to Chester Bennington. 7-11:30 p.m., The Underground at Carteret PAC</p>
<p>28 Concerts By the Bay with Well Alright. 7 p.m., Waterfront Park</p>	<p>29 SWAG All Sports Camp: Olympics Showdown through Aug. 2, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Carteret Middle School (nflswagleague.com)</p> <p>Art in the Park: Pointalism Painting. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Bishop Andrews Park</p> <p>Movie Day: Disney's "Wish." 2 p.m., Carteret Public Library</p>	<p>30 Craft Day: Just Dance! 2-3 p.m., Carteret Public Library (all ages; registration required)</p>	<p>31 Art in the Park: Weaving Baby Turtles. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Carteret Park</p> <p>Movies in the Park: "Paw Patrol the Mighty Movie." 8:30 p.m., Carteret Park</p>			



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AUGUST

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
					<p>1 Art in the Park: Frog Blower, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Blazing Star Cultural Arts Center</p> <p>Craft Day: Just Dance, 2-3 p.m., Carteret Public Library (registration required)</p> <p>Middlesex County's Music in the Park w/ Parkway Soul, 6:30-8 p.m., Medwick Park (info: 732-745-8188)</p>	<p>2 Art in the Park: Dino Egg Paper Activity, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Carteret & Waterfront parks (also Aug. 21, Carteret Park)</p> <p>George the Magician, 2:30-3:30 p.m., Carteret Public Library (ages 5-12)</p> <p>Concerts in the Park w/The Lenny Davis Band, 7 p.m., Carteret Park</p>	<p>3 Movies in the Park: "Wish," 8:30 p.m., Carteret Park</p>
<p>4 Concerts By the Bay with The Great American Song Book, 7 p.m., Waterfront Park</p> <p>Movies in the Park: "Wish," 8:30 p.m., Carteret Park</p>	<p>5 Art in the Park: Paper Plate Frisbees, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Bishop Andrews Park</p> <p>Movie Day: The Super Mario Bros. Movie, 2 p.m., Carteret Public Library</p>	<p>6 Art in the Park: Tactile Art, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., McGreevey Park</p> <p>Craft Day: Underwater Flashlight, 2-3 p.m., Carteret Public Library (ages 2-5; registration required)</p> <p>National Night Out 6-8 p.m., Carteret Park</p>	<p>7 Art in the Park: Color Palette, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Carteret Park</p> <p>Board Games, 2-3 p.m., Carteret Public Library (all ages)</p> <p>CERT Training, 7 p.m., OEM HQ (reserve free spot at oem@carteret.net or 732-208-2400 by Aug. 1)</p> <p>Movies in the Park: "The Princess and the Frog," 8:30 p.m., Carteret Park</p>	<p>8 Art in the Park: Paper Caterpillar Craft, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Blazing Star Cultural Arts Center</p> <p>Craft Day: Terrarium, 2-3 p.m., Carteret Public Library (ages 6-12; registration required)</p> <p>Middlesex County's Music in the Park with Verdict, 6:30-8 p.m., Medwick Park</p>	<p>9 Art in the Park: Portrait Painting, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Carteret & Waterfront parks</p> <p>Concerts in the Park w/Music Explosion, 7 p.m., Carteret Park</p>	<p>10 First Aid/CPR/AED Training, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., OEM Headquarters (\$25 registration at oem@carteret.net or 732-208-2400</p> <p>Movies in the Park: "Trolls Band Together," 8:30 p.m., Carteret Park</p>	
<p>11 Concerts By the Bay with The Discoteks, 7 p.m., Waterfront Park</p>	<p>12 Art in the Park: Under the Sea Chalk Art, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Bishop Andrews Park</p> <p>Movie Day: Disney Pixar's "Elemental," 2 p.m., Carteret Public Library</p>	<p>13 Art in the Park: Glow in the Dark Wood Art, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., McGreevey Park</p> <p>Craft Day: Suitcase to Adventure, 2-3 p.m., Carteret Public Library (ages 2-5; registration required)</p>	<p>14 Art in the Park: Beaded Wind Chimes, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Carteret Park</p> <p>Lego Day, 2-3 p.m., Carteret Public Library (all ages)</p> <p>OEM Training: "Until Help Arrives," 7-9 p.m., OEM HQ (free registration at oem@carteret.net or 732-208-2400)</p> <p>Movies in the Park: "Kung Fu Panda 4," 8:30 p.m., Carteret Park</p>	<p>15 Art in the Park: Painting Sea Shells, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Blazing Star Cultural Arts Center</p> <p>Craft Day: Cupcake Contest, 2-3 p.m., Carteret Public Library (ages 6-12; registration required)</p> <p>Middlesex County's Music in the Park w/marimbist Greg Giannascoli, 6:30-8 p.m., Medwick Park</p>	<p>16 Art in the Park: Scenic Blow Painting, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Carteret & Waterfront parks</p> <p>Concerts in the Park w/Party of Five, 7 p.m., Carteret Park</p>	<p>17 The Righteous Brothers, 8 p.m., URSB Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center</p> <p>Movies in the Park: "The Lorax," 8:30 p.m., Carteret Park</p>	
<p>18 Concerts By the Bay with Earth Wind & Fire Tribute, 7 p.m., Waterfront Park</p>	<p>19 Art in the Park: Fruit Canvas Painting, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Bishop Andrews Park</p>	<p>20 Art in the Park: Painting Sea Shells, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., McGreevey Park</p>	<p>21 Movies in the Park: "Shrek," 8:30 p.m., Carteret Park</p>	<p>22 The Duprees, 7:30 p.m., URSB Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center</p> <p>OEM Training: "Stop the Bleed," 6-8 p.m., OEM Headquarters (free)</p>	<p>23 Art in the Park: Sand Art, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Carteret & Waterfront parks</p> <p>Concerts in the Park w/Carnaby Street, 7 p.m., Carteret Park</p>	<p>24 Red Hot Chili Pipers, 8 p.m., URSB Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center</p> <p>Movies in the Park: "The Marvels," 8:30 p.m., Carteret Park</p>	
<p>25 OEM Training: "Stop the Bleed," 6-8 p.m., OEM HQ (free registration at oem@carteret.net or 732-208-2400</p> <p>Concerts By the Bay with Lady Supreme, 7 p.m., Waterfront Park</p>	<p>26 Art in the Park: Firework Painting, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Bishop Andrews Park</p>	<p>27 Art in the Park: Disney Paint Party, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., McGreevey Park</p>	<p>28 Art in the Park: Salt Jellyfish Painting, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m., Carteret Park</p>			<p>31 Magic Men, 8 p.m., URSB Carteret Performing Arts & Events Center</p>	



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