

## Salvatore receives Hughes Award

ERMA — Joseph Salvatore, co-founder and volunteer chairman of Historic Cold Spring Village and Naval Air Station Wildwood has been awarded the New Jersey Historical Commission's (NJHC) highest honor, the Richard J. Hughes Award, for his outstanding lifetime achievement in the field of New Jersey history.

The award is presented annually in recognition of contributions in the area of scholarship, public history, conservation and preservation. The 2021 award was

presented Nov. 12 during the NJHC History Forum at Monmouth University. Salvatore and his wife, Annie, have been actively involved in Cape May County and New Jersey history since founding Historic Cold Spring Village in 1973.

The Naval Air Station Wildwood Aviation Museum was dedicated in 1995. Opened to the public May 23, 1981, the village recently celebrated its 40th anniversary. Both Salvatores have served as members of state organizations dedicated to

arts, history and culture. Joseph Salvatore served as chairman of the New Jersey Historical Commission from 1992 to 1997 and on the boards of Advocates for New Jersey History; the Friends of the New Jersey State House; Task Force on New Jersey History and the Southern Shore Tourism Council. On the local level, he has been involved in the Cape May County Cultural and Heritage Commission, chambers of commerce and other historical organizations.

## County announces new assistance programs

CAPE MAY COURT HOUSE — New assistance programs are available in Cape May County for renters, homeowners and small-business owners who were affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

About \$1.5 million in Federal Community Development Block Grant funds will be offered to provide relief to qualified individuals and entities. Program elements include rental/mortgage assistance and small business grants/loans.

The county developed its assistance programs in partnership with the Atlantic County Improvement Authority (ACIA), which will be the lead in accepting and processing applications.

Information on the programs, eligibility require-

ments and application materials can be found at [acinj.org](http://acinj.org). Applicants will be asked to register with the portal and submit applications online. Those who do not have access to the internet should call (609) 343-2390 for paper copies of program materials.

"Clearly this funding is not a cure-all. However, it can serve to make a meaningful difference to qualified renters, homeowners and small businesses who are still recovering from the economic impacts that the past 18+ months have had on their livelihoods," said Cape May County Commissioner Will Morey, who oversees the County's Economic Development Program.

Summaries of the programs are as follows:

— Short Term Rental and Mortgage Assistance Program: Temporary assistance will be provided to qualified low- and moderate-income households who had a substantial reduction in income or became unemployed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Applicants must disclose the amount and source of other rental/mortgage assistance received; duplication of benefits is not allowed. Documentation of financial

hardship is required as part of the application package.

— Micro-Enterprise Assistance Grant: Small Businesses with no more than 5 employees that were in business as of 12/31/19 and that were severely impacted by COVID can be considered for this program which provides up to \$5,000 to cover working capital expenses for up to a 120-day period, provided that there is no duplication of benefits.

— Forgivable Micro-Loan Program: Businesses (excluding professional services) or non-profit organizations with between 6 – 25 employees that were in business as of 12/31/19 and have been severely impacted by COVID-19 can apply for funding in an amount of up to \$10,000 to cover working capital expenses for up to 120-day period provided that there is no duplication of benefits. Funding will be in the form of a loan at 3 percent interest which will be forgiven if the company is still in business two years after the loan date.

As referenced, these limited funds are available to qualified individuals and businesses on a first come, first-serve basis.

## Upper woman takes reins of Coast Guard foundation

RIO GRANDE — Upper Township resident Marla Brown takes over as executive director of the Cape May County Coast Guard Community Foundation effective Dec. 1.

She replaces Mike Couch, who moved and will continue to be involved remotely as a member of the board of trustees and the co-chair of the 2022 Coast Guard Community Festival planning committee.

Brown will build on the organization's current initiatives to create valuable programs, events and fundraising strategies that benefit Coast Guard personnel and community.

Brown joined the foundation, whose mission is to nurture strong relationships between Coast Guard members, their families

and the community, in December 2020 as director of events and programs. She had knowledge rooted in events and the nonprofit arena with five years of experience as director of operations – event planner with a Philadelphia-based organization. Brown also worked in human resources and recruiting.

Brown and her husband, Mike, live in Strathmere with their three dogs. She was raised in Delaware County, Pa., and spent summers in Ocean City. She is a graduate of Penn State University and received her certificate in executive event leadership from Temple University.

Learn more about the organization and its mission by visiting [coastguardcommunity.org](http://coastguardcommunity.org).



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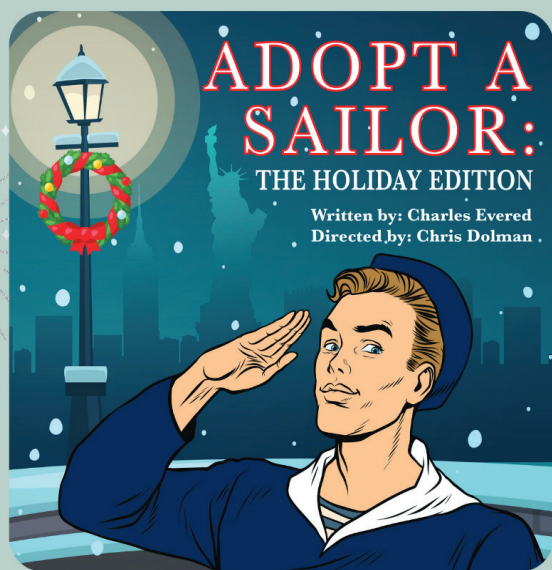
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## ADOPT A SAILOR:

The Holiday Edition

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THE HOLIDAY EDITION

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