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April/May 2011  
Eastern Standard Time

	High		Low	
	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
27	4:36	5:15	10:43	11:08
28	5:27	6:00	11:27	11:58
29	6:13	6:40	12:07	
30	6:56	7:18	12:43	12:44
1	7:36	7:54	1:24	1:20
2	8:15	8:29	2:04	1:54
3	8:53	9:04	2:43	2:28
4	9:30	9:39	3:21	3:03

### PARKING METER HOURS IN CITY OF CAPE MAY

Parking meters are in effect May 1 to Oct. 31, every day, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. All meters are 25 cents per fifteen minutes and stand-alone meters only accept quarters. Multi-meters also accept credit cards. Change is available from several businesses and at beach tag sales booths, during the beach season.

#### EXCEPTIONS

1. Community Center Parking Lot on Lafayette Street – No Parking on Wednesday and Saturday from July 1 to Labor Day.
2. Broadway from Beach to Grant, First Avenue from Beach to street end, Mt. Vernon Avenue from Patterson to street end, Patterson Avenue from Beach to Mt. Vernon Avenue, Second Avenue from Beach to street end, June 1 to Sept. 15, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**Free parking** is available at the Cape May Elementary School, located at Lafayette Street and Madison Avenue, Saturday and Sunday while school is in session and daily during the summer break.

## LT police chief retiring after 30 years as cop

Captain Brian Marker slated as next 'Top Cop'

By CHRISTOPHER SOUTH  
Cape May Star and Wave

LOWER TOWNSHIP – Chief Edward Donohue has led the Lower Township Police Department in its operation for many years. Now he is leading a wave of retirements.

By year's end, the LTPD will have had seven officers retire, including the chief on

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– LT Township Manager Mike Voll

July 1, Captain Lou Russo (Dec. 1), Lt. Tom Keywood (Sept. 1), and Sgt. Dave Adams (June 1). In addition, the department will lose three patrol officers: Ptl. Art Mason (Aug. 1), Ptl. Ed Dougherty (Dec. 1) and Ptl. Kevin Boyle (Nov. 1). Township Manager Mike

Voll said the retirements signal the beginning of a new structure in the police department, particularly with the chief, a captain, lieutenant and sergeant retiring. Voll confirmed that Captain Brian Marker is in line to be named the next police chief.

"He cares about the guys

and has the respect of the department," Voll said. "And he's so involved in the community, he's a real asset to Lower Township government."

Voll said Marker has all the qualities he likes for the next police chief. Voll said he would recommend Marker's appointment to township council, and would negotiate the chief's contract, and council would authorize the appointment and contract.

"The final authority on the police chief's appointment is with council," Voll said.

Voll said Lt. William Mastriana would move up to

captain and the other captain slot would not be filled. He said the department would maintain two lieutenants, one in an administrative position and the other in charge of both the patrol and detective divisions.

"There is a certified list of sergeants who are eligible to be promoted to lieutenant," Voll said. "They have to get certification from the New Jersey Department of Personnel – the same with promotion from patrolman to sergeant."

Voll said the retirements

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## Amended CM budget to be adopted May 3

Beach Theatre group calls for council action

By CAIN CHAMBERLIN  
Cape May Star and Wave

CAPE MAY – Mayor Edward Mahaney said the city's \$15 million budget would be adopted at the May 3 meeting, because changes of more than 10 percent were made to certain line items before last Wednesday's public hearing.

Without the changes, the budget could have been adopted April 20.

Mahaney said if a change of 10 percent or more is made to a line item in the budget, it must be advertised and shown to the public prior to the budget adoption. He said one of these changes was a \$20,000 reduction in the city's legal expenses.

He said there was also a decrease in the Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP), which relates to volunteer public safety services. Mahaney said this state approved program is to show gratitude and appreciation for the volunteer fire company of Cape May City. Even though, there was a reduction in the pro

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### Cape May Easter Fashion Stroll

The Easter Bunny leads a pair of young men in Sunday's Easter Fashion Stroll. The weather was perfect for the annual event sponsored by the city and Washington Street Mall merchants. **See more photos and results on page B1.**



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### Kiwanis Egg Hunt winners

The rain held off for the annual Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the city and the Cape May Kiwanis Club. The four golden eggs, which earned them an Easter basket, were found by, left to right: Aubry Enright, 5, of Lancaster, Pa., Joseph Gutierrez, 8, Warwick, N.Y., Jenna Maguire, 5, New York, and Isabelle Hristov, 4, Cape May.

## South Cape May Exhibit at MAC's Carriage House

By CAIN CHAMBERLIN  
Cape May Star and Wave

CAPE MAY – It may have fallen into the hands of the sea over half a century ago, but South Cape May still lives on in the memories of Joe Burcher and also the book his son-in-law, Robert Kenselaar compiled together.

"Remembering South Cape May: The Jersey Shore Town That Vanished into the Sea" is a book filled with Burcher's memoirs and years of Kenselaar's research, which they began

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## At 99, Flershem still gardening

By CAIN CHAMBERLIN  
Cape May Star and Wave

Taussig stopped writing the column after about five years when she was 98 years

ing for another house and found the ideal century-old cottage style home she had

CAPE MAY COURT HOUSE – As an avid gardener, former landscaper and animal lover, it only seems appropriate that Betty Flershem's birthday landed on Earth Day.

Flershem, formerly of West Cape May, celebrated her 99th birthday on Friday, April 22, with family and friends by going out to the Lobster House in Cape May for her favorite

local scallops and, of course, spent some time in her garden, as well.

Flershem said most of her family hails from the Princeton area, with the exception of some from the western part of the country who were unfortunately unable to make it.

Her late sister, Ellen Taussig, worked for the Buffalo Evening News, and later wrote a column for the Star and Wave. She said

Flershem grew up in the Chestnut Hill section of Philadelphia, where her parents taught her how to plant all the flowers and trees she still has in her garden today.

She moved to West Cape May in 1982 where she lived for 25 years. There, she was involved with the local Shade Tree Commission and was responsible for planting numerous trees in the area.

Eventually she began look-

ing for another house and found the ideal century-old cottage style home she had been searching for on West Atlantic Avenue in Cape May Court House.

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Betty Flershem, who turned 99 on Earth Day, is shown in her home garden. She was a founding member of the West Cape May Shade Tree Commission.



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