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26	4:35	5:17	10:50	11:00
27	5:28	6:03	11:36	11:52
28	6:14	6:44		12:16
29	6:55	7:20	12:38	12:52
30	7:34	7:56	1:20	1:25
ı	8:11	8:30	2:00	1:57
12	8.47	9.04	2.38	2.29

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## Swain's Hardware, Energy Committee team up to support Cape May light bulb switch

By CHRISTOPHER SOUTH

Cape May Star and Wave

CAPE MAY - The switch is on. Or at least that's what May's Energy Committee hopes will happen by July 4 – the date they have set to have residents switched over from using regular incandescent light bulbs to

energy saving light bulbs. Swain's hardware has

teamed up with the Cape May Conservation Committee to promote energy saving CFC light bulbs. The committee has initiated a campaign to encourage local residents to switch to energysaving light bulbs.

In a release issued by the committee chairperson Charlotte Todd said, "Making the switch from incandescent to the new energy saving bulbs can help us save con-

siderably on energy con- were to make the switch, it sumption.

On Tuesday Todd said the energy saving bulbs mean less energy needs to be produced, meaning less carbon is produced and released into the air we breath. In addition, the light bulbs last five, perhaps seven years, making them "a good long-term investment for the consumer," Todd said.

"If everyone on the island

would be the equivalent of taking hundreds of cars off the highway.

That's why we're announcing our goal of making the entire island 'incandescent-independent' by the 4th of July," Todd said in the released statement.

Joe Paruta, the store manager at Swain's Hardware said customers can bring in a coupon and get \$1 off the

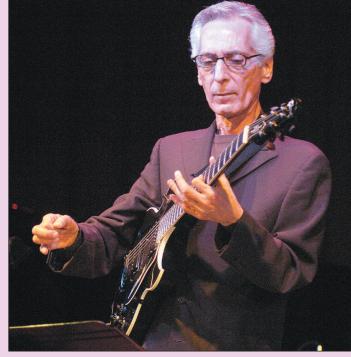
price of an energy saving bulb. The coupon includes a pledge to "go green" and eventually replace all your incandescent bulbs with the new energy saving bulbs.

Mayor Jerry Inderwies, who is behind the campaign to use energy saving bulbs, said he replaced a 25-watt outside bulb with a 7-watt energy saving bulb, and he

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# Cool Cape May Jazz





Pat Martino, left, was the opening headliner Friday night at the 27th Cape May Jazz Festival Martino spent many years playing in Cape May. Above, Barbara Mills brings down the house at Cabanas during Sunday afternoon's jam session. At right, the cool sound of jazz eminates from Gerald Veasley's bass.

Photos by David Nahan and Jennifer Kopp



# HPC tables Star of the Sea's request for new carport

By CHRISTOPHER SOUTH

Cape May Star and Wave

CAPE MAY – The Cape May Historic Preservation Commission decided to table an application by Our Lady Star of the Sea Church for a carport to be erected between the rectory and church hall. John Tice joined Monsignor Thomas McIntyre in presenting an application to the HPC, conceptual requesting approval for a freestanding metal carport for two automo-

HPC member Tom Carroll raised the initial objection to the carport saying it is was "probably one of the most incompatible things we've been asked to put in the his-

The church is listed as a "contributing" structure in the historic district.

Member Corbin Cogswell echoed Carroll's concern, saying the carport would be visible from Ocean Avenue, where there is a lot of pedestrian traffic. "I'd rather see a full

garage," Cogswell said.

Tice said they did not want to create an enclosed space that might be a barrier between the rectory and hall. Tice suggested an alternative would be to build the carport off the church hall, which is already a non-conforming structure. McIntyre said another alternative would be to build a canopy roof from the hall to the rectory.

"I really think your answer is to go to an architect," HPC chairman Skip Loughlin said. An application from 232-234 Windsor Avenue, which the HPC sent back for redesign, was given conceptual approval by a 5-2 vote. The architect for Preet Properties, Andrew Crossland, was asked to redesign a proposed mansard

style roofline, which was to replace the original roofline with shed dormer additions. Crossland said the new proposal was to keep the old roofline and dormers and wrap them in new materials. Carroll, who along with Pip Campbell voted against the

application, said he would prefer to see a restoration of the original roofline without the shed dormers, which run from one end of the roof to the

"You're just making a bad

more

Carroll said.
"There is no way I can redesign the third floor," Crossland said.

Owner George Rohanna said going back to the original roofline would eliminate the third floor, which he said was

not practical. The HPC gave conceptual approval for the renovation of 2 Liberty Street in the historic district. Listed as a noncontributing property, the structure was described as a former 1890s carriage house, which had been converted to a two-family dwelling. The applicant said the existing structure encroaches three feet onto a neighbor's property. The proposal is to move the building off the neighbor's property, and put it on a foundation high enough to

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# New meters high tech: User friendly?

By CHRISTOPHER **SOUTH** 

Cape May Star and Wave

CAPE MAY - Next Tuesday parking meters will be on, and expecting to

This year, however, there will be far fewer meters to feed – but they will have a bigger appetite – and their diet has changed.

Public Works director Robert Smith said last year there were 102 parking meters in the municipal parking lot on Jackson Street. This year there will be only two multi-meters, known as a "pay and display" type meter.

City manager Lou Corea said people can park anywhere in the lot and pay at one of the two meters, which will issue a receipt. The meters are about four feet high, brown on three sides, and have a blue and white "P" emblem on them. Corea said people simply

insert the amount of money needed to cover the time they expect to stay. The rate has not changed - it remains 25-cents per 20 minutes (75-cents per hour). Corea said the meter

will ask if you are finished inserting coins, and if so you press a "yes" button. The meter will then print a receipt, which the person puts on the dashboard of his or her vehicle.

The second type of meters, which have been installed in the central business district, are referred to as a "pay by the space"

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## **Cape May City Environmental Commission**

CAPE MAY - On May 1, 2007, starting at 1 p.m. the Cape May City Environmental Commission will present to City Council, its final draft of its updated Environmental Resources Inventory, funded in part by a Smart Growth Grant. The public is invited to view and read the relevant maps and text.