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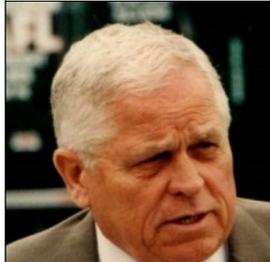
New Arrivals and Departures in the NJ Assembly



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Cunninghame College Scholarship Available

Applications and information on our [2018 Samuel L. Cunninghame Memorial Scholarship](#) have been posted on our website. Deadline for submission is April 20, 2018.



Sam Cunninghame

The annual scholarship is named in honor of our long-time Legislative Relations Director, Sam Cunninghame, who passed away in 2013. Each year, the Bi-State honors Sam's memory by providing scholarships and mini-grants to deserving college-bound high school seniors and full-time undergraduate students who have a parent or guardian working, as either an employee or independent contractor with a Member Company. Eligibility details and requirements are listed on the Application instructions.

Scholarship recipients will be chosen by the Scholarship Committee based on a combination of criteria, including academic potential, community service, and financial need, without reference to race, creed, gender, disability, religion or national origin.

Scholarship funds of at least \$1,000 will be given out as a one-time award, to be allocated at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee. Recipients will also be featured in an upcoming edition of the Bi-State News.

All [applications](#) must be received no later than April 20, 2018. Recipients will be notified the first week in May.

Please contact Communications Director Lisa Yakomin at LisaY@thebistate.com with any questions.

Best of luck to all of our 2018 applicants!



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NYNJ FFF&B Honors Roy Amalfitano of Evergreen



Bi-State First Vice President Tom Heimgartner, Executive Director Dick Jones, and President Jeff Bader

The New York & New Jersey Foreign Freight Brokers hosted their Annual industry-wide dinner this month, where they honored **Roy Amalfitano**, Vice Chairman of Evergreen Shipping Agency (America) Corp., North America. Amalfitano has worked with Evergreen Line for over 33 years.

The New York/New Jersey Foreign Freight Forwarders & Brokers Association is one of the oldest transportation related organizations in the United States.

Founded in 1917, the association provides information on issues and developments important to its members; serves as a voice for the Freight Forwarding, Customs Brokerage and OTI communities in policy and regulation decision-making; and protects and advocates the best interests of the group as a whole.

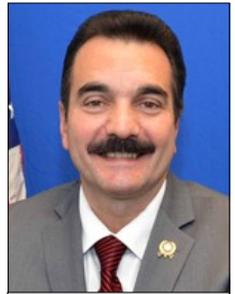


Roy Amalfitano

Legislative Update: Arrivals & Departures

Although most legislators for the 218th Legislative Session were sworn in at the ceremony held on January 9th, several newcomers have been added, as familiar faces move on to other positions within the State.

Earlier this month, **Governor Phil Murphy** announced the appointment of former Assembly Speaker **Vincent Prieto** to head up the **New Jersey Sports & Exposition Authority**, the agency that oversees the Meadowlands. His successor has not yet been selected.



Vincent Prieto

Assemblywoman Britnee Timberlake, former President of the Essex County Freeholder Board, now represents the 34th Legislative District, which includes the cities of Clifton, East Orange, Montclair, and Orange in Essex and Passaic counties. Timberlake was chosen to take the seat vacated by Lieutenant Governor Sheila Oliver.



Asw. Timberlake

A graduate of Seton Hall University and EmergeNJ, a political training program for women, in 2014 Timberlake was the youngest Freeholder elected in the state and was the only sitting African American female President of a Freeholder Board as of January. Timberlake resides in East Orange with her growing family, and is expecting a baby boy.

"I am honored to serve the residents in my district in this capacity," said Timberlake. "I look forward to working with the community, Assembly colleagues and the Governor on critical issues such as minimum wage, environmental protection, and economic justice. I'm ready to get to work for District 34 residents."

Also new to the legislature is **Assemblywoman Verlina Reynolds-Jackson**, who was sworn in earlier this month to fill the state Assembly seat vacated by Elizabeth Muoio, who was nominated by Governor Murphy to serve as State Treasurer. She represents the state's 15th legislative district, which includes parts of Hunterdon and Mercer counties, including Trenton and some of its suburbs.

"I know the challenges facing our state and its communities," Reynolds-Jackson said. "I plan to bring fresh and creative approaches to the issues that impact urban, suburban and rural New Jersey, and I'm excited to listen to and learn from constituents, colleagues, advocates and all the voices that contribute to our democracy."



Asw. Reynolds-Jackson

“State of the Port” Meeting Recap: the PONYNJ is thriving!

Earlier this month, the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey hosted their annual “State of the Port” luncheon, offering insights on the highlights and accomplishments from 2017, including:

-- Cargo volumes at the Port of NY & NJ set a new record in 2017 (*see graphic, below right*).



Pictured left to right: Asst. Port Director Beth Rooney, Chairman Kevin O’Toole, Port Director Molly Campbell, Executive Director Rick Cotton

-- Port Authority Chairman and (former NJ Senator) Kevin O’Toole and Port Authority Executive Director Rick Cotton introduced themselves and expressed their enthusiasm for working with port stakeholders to build upon the gains made in 2017 as we look ahead to 2018 and beyond.

-- Port Director Molly Campbell gave an update on the State of the Port, listing the PA’s priorities for 2018, which include delivering the first train to Bayonne ICTF, launching the Port Street Corridor Improvement project, initiating a Wharf Rehabilitation Study, partnering with marine terminals on capacity-enhancing projects, expanding environmental programs (truck replacement program and clean vessel

incentive program), and delivering a new Port Master Plan.

-- NYSA President John Nardi spoke about the specific upgrades and changes coming to the terminals, including the expansion projects at PNCT and APMT, new gate systems, expanded appointments, and new crane equipment.

-- Assistant Port Director Beth Rooney presented the 2018 Council on Port Performance Work Plan. A copy of the plan is available at this link: <http://www.panynj.gov/port/pdf/cpp-update-020118.pdf>

The 2018 Work Plan provides a "report card" listing recommendations that the CPP put forth in their 2014 report, and a final status update on what were completed, what was partially accomplished, and items that still need to be addressed.

It was also announced that the prior recommendations would now be "put into sunset" and that existing CPP Implementation Teams would be disbanded, in favor of new Committees covering various aspects of the port, tasked with coming up with a whole new set of recommendations. For a full list of committees, see page 19 of the 2018 Work Plan (linked above).



Plenty of good news at the Port of NY & NJ last year: we have 15.4% of the overall US market share, 32% along the East Coast, and nearly 53% in the North Atlantic. Port industries generated close to \$7 billion in federal, state & local tax revenues for NJ, and nearly \$8.5 billion in the region.

New Overweight Rules In Effect for Staten Island-Bound Trucks

As of Saturday, January 20, 2018, **semi-trailers** that qualify as: up to 73-1/2 feet in total length, not exceeding a total weight of 90,000 pounds, and carrying sealed shipping containers **are allowed to utilize a specified route without daily over-dimensional permits** from NYCDOT, as was previously required.

This rule provides a clearly defined, safe route for drivers to haul sealed containers to and from Global Container Terminal New York (GCTNY).

Truck drivers are advised to drive at a reduced speed limit of 10 MPH while exclusively using a specified network of highways and streets per the illustration provided. Trucks **must** be on a trip that involves only the pickup or drop off of sealed shipping containers used for the transfer of freight transported in ocean-going commerce.

Truckers crossing the Goethals Bridge must possess a valid Annual Ocean Borne Containerized Cargo Multiple-Trip permit from the New Jersey Department of Transportation, and have it in their possession at the time of the transit.

Once a NJDOT annual permit is obtained, the trucker must also obtain a coterminous annual approval letter from The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey by submitting a request to SIBOperations@panynj.gov. (Please include a copy of the valid NJDOT permit and allow 3-5 business days for processing.)

Prior to crossing the Goethals Bridge, the trucker must contact the Staten Island Bridge Communications Desk at 718-390-2501, 15-30 minutes prior to the desired crossing time to obtain permission. Again this must happen **prior to crossing**.

When crossing the Goethals Bridge, trucks must not exceed 10 MPH travel in the right lane, and maintain a minimum separation of 1,000 feet between their vehicle and another tractor trailer.

Information and map courtesy of the PANYNJ. For additional details, please visit: www.portnynj.com.

