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## Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony Celebrates AASKI Technology's Arrival at Fort Monmouth

Fort Monmouth Economic Revitalization Authority (FMERA) Board members and staff joined with local officials and business leaders this month as [AASKI Technology, Inc.](#) held a ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate its grand opening at Fort Monmouth's Building 2525 in the Charles Wood Area in Tinton Falls.



AASKI, a defense contractor and communications engineering firm, moved to Fort Monmouth last year after its affiliate RADAR Properties, LLC purchased the approximately 12.25-acre parcel of land located near Commvault.

"AASKI is a welcome addition to the technology hub we are creating here on Fort Monmouth," FMERA Board Chairman James V. Gorman said. "We wish the company much success in its new location."

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## FMERA Board Approves Purchase Agreement for Artist Project in Eatontown

This month the Fort Monmouth Economic Revitalization Authority (FMERA) Board approved a Purchase and Sale Agreement & Redevelopment Agreement (PSARA) with Kenneth Schwartz for six World War II-era barracks buildings located on an approximately 4.4 -acre parcel in the Eatontown area of the Fort.



The PSARA calls for the renovation of the existing buildings for commercial arts-related uses, including studio, performance and gallery spaces, as well as short-term residential units for artists. FMERA will seek an amendment to the Fort Monmouth Reuse and Redevelopment Plan, as the units were initially identified for demolition. The purchaser will also be responsible for maintaining the existing open space known as Soldiers Park, which is adjacent to the Avenue of Memories.

“The redevelopment of the former barracks buildings will help to create a cultural center for the area,” FMERA Director of Real Estate Dave Nuse said. “This is an important part of FMERA’s vision of a vibrant community where people can live, work, play and create.”

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## Long-Serving FMERA Board Member Recognized for Impact on Region's Economic Development

The Monmouth-Ocean Development Council (MODC) this month presented Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders Director Lillian Burry with its President’s Award at its 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Silver Gull Award Dinner. In honoring Freeholder Burry, MODC recognized her career-long commitment to economic development within Monmouth County.

Freeholder Burry is currently the Fort Monmouth Economic Revitalization Authority (FMERA) Board's longest-serving member. She was appointed by Governor Jon Corzine to the Fort Monmouth Economic Revitalization Planning Authority, FMERA's predecessor, in 2009 and to the FMERA Board by Governor Chris Christie in 2010.

"Freehold Burry has been an integral part of the FMERA Board since Day 1," FMERA Chairman James V. Gorman said. "Over the last seven years, Lillian's insight and expertise have helped shape many of our decisions and helped attract redevelopment efforts to the Fort that have led to investment and job creation for the people of Monmouth County."

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### *June 14th Flag Day Festivities Planned*



The Fort Monmouth Economic Revitalization Authority (FMERA) invites the public to attend its Wednesday, June 14 Flag Day festivities in honor of Old Glory and in celebration of the US Army's

### *Historic Photo of the Month*



This Memorial Day, FMERA honors those who sacrificed their lives while serving in the nation's armed forces. The monuments and trees along the Avenue of Memories were dedicated on April 6, 1949, and pay homage to the Signal Corps Soldiers who gave their lives during

242<sup>nd</sup> birthday. This year's ceremony will also commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Army's establishment of Fort Monmouth.

The ceremony will take place at 2:30 p.m. at the Flag Pole at the Main Gate in front of Russel Hall, with the Shore Regional High School band scheduled to perform shortly thereafter. FMERA noted that attendees should enter through the Fort's main entrance on Oceanport Avenue.

World War II. The first marker was placed in memory of Major Edmund P. Karr.

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