

OBAMA, CHRISTIE TAKE TOUR OF SHORE



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President Obama:

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By Jim Kowarski

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President Obama among the crowd outside Convention Hall in Asbury Park on Tuesday after speaking about the recovery.

Christie gets his turn in presidential spotlight

Obama cheers N.J.'s recovery but sees years of work ahead

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President Obama and Gov. Christie at the Asbury Park Convention Hall on Tuesday. Obama and Christie were joined by other officials for the tour.

Jersey Boys II Obama joins Christie again, this time to praise the Shore's recovery.

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'When we make a commitment that we got your back, we mean it,' Obama tells Jersey shore crowd



President Obama walks with Gov. Chris Christie after arriving Monday at Pleasant Beach for a Republican fundraiser. Obama (left) and Christie (right) are seen here.

By Dan Robinson
Pleasant Beach — President Barack Obama and Gov. Chris Christie gathered for a Republican fundraiser Monday night on the Jersey Shore, where the president said he would support the state's efforts to improve its health care system. Obama said he would support the state's efforts to improve its health care system, and he said he would support the state's efforts to improve its health care system.

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EYES ON THE PRIZE



President Obama in Pleasant Beach while watching the Jersey Shore with Governor Christie on Tuesday. The president also attended a fund-raiser after playing a football game with the governor.

By Melissa Reyes and Howard Johnson
Pleasant Beach

Obama impressed with Shore's progress, but says full recovery years away

Pleasant Beach is still recovering from the damage the Superstorm did, but the recovery is well under way, President Barack Obama said Tuesday. Obama said he was impressed with the progress of the Jersey Shore, but he said it would take years to fully recover from the damage. Obama said he was impressed with the progress of the Jersey Shore, but he said it would take years to fully recover from the damage.

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Jersey Shore: The Sequel



Gov. Chris Christie greets President Barack Obama Tuesday at Convention Hall in Asbury Park. (AP Photo/Phil Spector)

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Obama: 'We've got your back'

Shore's cheerleader in chief renews vow to help

By Dustin Racioppi
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Pleasant Beach, Obama bounded to the podium here to face a board walk full of soggy supporters. "I love you back," Obama said to hundreds in the adoring crowd, as rain soaked the famed boardwalk in front of Convention Hall.

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President Barack Obama, accompanied by Gov. Chris Christie, stops to play the Touchdown Fever arcade game on the boardwalk during their visit to Point Pleasant on Tuesday. Obama traveled to New Jersey to join Christie to inspect and tour the Jersey Shore's recovery efforts from Hurricane Sandy.



Obama visits shore reborn after Sandy

By Jesse Parbery
THE BRIDGE
ASBURY PARK—Some months after President Barack Obama toured the Jersey Shore and viewed the damage wrought by Sandy, he returned Tuesday to praise the progress that has been made and noted the long way it has to go.
"Be understood that's still a lot of work to be done," Obama said outside Asbury Park Convention Hall with Gov. Chris Christie by his side. "There are homes to rebuild. There are businesses to reopen. There are landmarks and beaches and boardwalks that aren't all the way back yet. But thanks to the hard work of a great lot of people, we've got way...

No Partisan Fire at the Shore: An Obama-Christie Reunion

By MICHAEL D. SHEAR and MARK LUBOWITZ
POINT PLEASANT BEACH, N.J. — Politics seldom seeps into the Jersey Shore. President Obama and Gov. Chris Christie of New Jersey affirmed this notion, and together, on Tuesday, in a friendly conversation, they discussed the Jersey Shore, which recently after Hurricane Sandy provided the former executive and current there in an entirely political conversation.
No heated political combat ensued, the procedure was friendly. The first visit here since the storm occurred the final day of the 2012 presidential campaign. As he did in October, the governor, now regularly chosen, received the Obama with an emotional greeting, showing no hint of the political posturing that has defined the campaign on the far side of the Atlantic.

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OBAMA, CHRISTIE PROMOTE SHORE RECOVERY

"We all came together because New Jersey is more important and our citizens are more important than any kind of politics at all."

- New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie



President Barack Obama gives a speech in Asbury Park, N.J., on the successful rebuilding of the Jersey shore. Obama and New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie teamed up again Tuesday for tour areas damaged by Hurricane Sandy last October.

'The Jersey shore is back and open for business'

President joins New Jersey governor for a victory tour — complimenting each other's efforts in helping the state recover from Hurricane Sandy.

By BRYAN BELLANZ
WASHINGTON

ASBURY PARK, N.J. — President Barack Obama and New Jersey's Republican governor, Chris Christie, united along the Jersey shore boardwalks Tuesday, Tuesday, a political odd couple just happening and together.
The two men had a common purpose: promote the recovery of the Jersey shore from the effects of Hurricane Sandy, a storm that hit in the final days of last year's presidential election campaign and which, because of Obama's well-timed show of concern, may have helped his...

win re-election.
When it came time to deliver a final through a hazy tour at the boardwalks in Point Pleasant, it was Christie who had a momentous task, an ongoing project that went through the fire, after Obama had led and around the shore with his left-hand-man.

The two leaders gave each other a celebratory high-five, and then Obama affirmed Christie's re-election campaign.
"That's because he's running for office," Obama declared in a change of routine, who nodded it all on their...

accomplishes in a light with Ed. Obama received the prize for Christie's performance — a unified tour with a Change Bears sign. Then they reached the sign line.

Christie, however, may not be just running for re-election this year as New Jersey governor. He may have rights on Tuesday for the Republican presidential nomination in 2016.

Christie's recent decision to undergo lap-band surgery to lose weight was seen as a possible clue to his higher aspirations.

Photo: GUY LAWRENCE

OBAMA BACK AT THE SHORE

PRESIDENTIAL VISIT 1 MONTH AFTER SANDY



"I promised you that your country would have your back. I told you we would not quit until the job was done, and I meant it."

President returns to NJ to witness recovery firsthand

Stuffed bear aside, governor wins big in campaign battle

By Quinn Keegan

ASBURY PARK — When President Barack Obama left town yesterday, he left behind a message that was not just a political statement, but a promise. He said he would not quit until the job was done, and he meant it.

By Michael Szymanski

ASBURY PARK — (Special to the Daily News) President Barack Obama's visit to the Jersey Shore yesterday was more than just a political statement. It was a promise.

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Obama returns to N.J. 7 months after Sandy

By Dustin Rostropoff

AP/WIDEWORLD

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WASHINGTON OR JERSEY SHORE?

Scan the QR code or visit MyCentralJersey.com to hear President Barack Obama speaking in Asbury Park.



INSIDE Obama and Christie partake in a boardwalk game of Touchdown Fever.

TOP President Barack Obama greets a crowd lined up along the boardwalk in Point Pleasant Beach during a tour Tuesday with Gov. Chris Christie.

Christie campaign gets boost from appearance

By Michael Spornio

ARLINGTON, Va. — Except perhaps for the steady rain, President Barack Obama's visit to the Jersey Shore couldn't have gone better — for Gov. Chris Christie.

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OBAMA VISITS SHORE 7 MONTHS AFTER SANDY



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Obama tours the boardwalk in Point Pleasant Beach with Gov. Chris Christie. (AP/WIDEWORLD)



Obama cheer during Obama's visit to Convention Hall in Asbury Park. (AP/WIDEWORLD)



Obama greets outside Convention Hall in Asbury Park. (AP/WIDEWORLD)

Presidential vow: We're not done yet

By Dustin Rostropoff

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Obama takes time for boardwalk fun

By Van Santora, Scott Funderburk, Bill Rosenman and Dustin Rostropoff

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Head started weekend
President Barack Obama and New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie walk along the beach on Tuesday during their visit to Plum Pleasant, N.J.

Obama: The Shore is back

Beach boddies once again, the president and the New Jersey governor celebrated the Shore.

By Jim Santoro

AMBLEY PARK, N.J. — President Barack Obama and New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie promoted the Jersey Shore's summer tourism economy Tuesday while praising the federal government's role in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy, signing their beachside meeting in a display of mutual assistance with potential political dividends.

Despite a steady drizzle, the Democratic president and the Republican governor tried their hand at a beach football and the president declared that the state's popular shores were back seven months after the devastating storm had done so to famed boardwalks and seaside towns.

"You are stronger than the storm," Christie said, heaving a line that Christie himself used in a February federal advertising campaign warning Jersey Shore residents. "After all you've dealt with, after all you've been through, the Jersey Shore is back and it is open for business."

After the rugged beach visit

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Embattled Obama welcomed in N.J.

By Dustin Riedinger

New Jersey Press Staff

MARLBOROUGH — When President Barack Obama's advisors asked him last week whether he'd rather be in Washington on Tuesday or at the Jersey Shore, where the town centers from all directions — even the Republican governor — the election, Obama admitted, was not difficult.

After beach shopping with Gov. Chris Christie and mingling with supporters around in nearby Plum Pleasant Beach, Obama headed to the beach house to face a beach walk full of eager supporters.

"I love you back," Obama said to hundreds in the adjoining crowd, as they walked the boardwalk in front of Convention Hall.

It may have been a relief for Obama to see the Jersey coastline and the historical Barnum Service scandal investigation, but it was just as welcome for the Obama network region to host perhaps the simplest effective comeback.

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Beach Elementary School students line Route 71 as President Barack Obama's motorcade passes by Tuesday morning en route to Plum Pleasant Beach. Before, the president speaks outside Convention Hall in Ambler Park. He toured the Jersey Shore with Gov. Chris Christie. *Images by Tribune's contributor JAMES P. HARRIS*

Officials prepare for storm season

By William Scholtz

Atlantic City Staff

ATLANTIC CITY — So previous Sandy departed the Jersey Shore seven months ago this week, but as President Barack Obama's visit to Ambler Park on Tuesday proves out, Sandy is still front and center to many minds.

Moreover, the 2013 hurricane season opens fast and slow. The best prediction is a bad year.

With that in mind, representatives of Atlantic City Electric, the Atlantic City Board of Commissioners, Jersey Shore Chapter and Atlantic City Office stakeholders are speaking Tuesday in Boardwalk Hall about the recovery to Sandy and the preparations for future storms.

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Obama's visit a political issue for Christie. **Page 1A**
A Red Cross bus a host of Sandy funds left. **Page 7B**

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A cpj.com for more photos of the Obama-Christie tour of the shore.

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