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CCB MEMBERS – at the Elks Hall February 17 to discuss the Geriatrics Center.

## CCB to tilt with town, county over Geriatric Center disposal

By Charles Hughes

Vincent Frantantoni, the President of the Concerned Citizens of Belleville, clicked the shafts of his rimless glasses together, and looked out over the 40 odd members attending the monthly session of the group he had stitched together some 10 years ago.

'And that's another reason more of you should get out to these (Council) meetings," he said referring to the \$2.8 million water settlement the municipality reached with Newark.

The phrase would become a mantra of sorts tacked on to each of laments he ticked off during the February 17 meeting in the Elks Hall; the proposed acquisition of the Geriatric Center by the Center for Molecular Medicine and

Immunology (CMMI), a cancer research group based at the University of Medicine and Dentistry in Newark, the added \$4 million in township indebtedness, the early retirement for police and firefighters approved by the Council, the three year teaching contract, the use of substitute teachers, and finally excessive sick time for teachers.

Throughout his discussion of the transfer of some eight acres of Geriatric Center property to CMMI, Frantantoni tread familiar ground; that, among other things, the intent of the Essex County Land Use Management Planning Committee formed in 1991 allows that group to declare land effectively blighted, and in doing so, circumvent the Local Lands Use Building Law.

That Law, Frantantoni argued, set up requirements conveyances of real property owned by counties.

"The law requires the county to; 1) prepare a report identifying the reasons for, and all advantages and disadvantages, benefits and detriments of the proposed sale, lease or exchange...2) makes the report available to the public at least 30 days in advance of the first scheduled public hearing,.. 3) citizens are denied the right to

conduct two public hearings, one in the county seat, and one in the municipality where the property is located, 4) mail copies of notices to all parties of the proposed sale, the governing body and municipal clerk of every municipality within the county, all property owners within 200 feet of property," and publish notice within the township

Under the Planning Committee, those safeguards no longer apply,

According to Frantantoni, who said he consulted Freeholder President Sara Bost, the entire thing amounted to a conspiracy allowing the county to usurp township responsibilities and the holding of public hearings.

Frantantoni urged the CCB to call for a State Criminal Investigation (SCI) to investigate the CMMI matter.

In early May 1993, the Belleville Planning Board declared the Geriatrics Center an area in need of redevelopment. Then on June 22, the Municipal Council adopted the redevelopment plan and thereby transferred authority to the Essex County Improvement Authority (ECIA).

The end result is Belleville

participate in the decision making process relating to the development

"The intent of the State Redevelopment and Housing Law was to provide an expedient means of rehabilitating areas that were truly dilapidated, obsolent, overcrowded, unsanitary, or detrimental to the safety, health, morals or welfare of the community," he said essentialy repeating comments he had made in th past. "To use this law to transfer ownership of valuable public property is immoral, and may be a fraudulent or even criminal act. The residents of Essex County must rise and stop the Essex County administration and their right arm, the ECIA from confiscating our property and

Despie that, Mayor Maria Perna and two council members explained to freeholders at a December 9 public hearing that

they firmly support the project.
The CMMI experience in acquiring a portion of the 34 acre tract is in sharp contrast to the town's efforts to acquire five acres of the property to be used as a Senior Citizen Center, Frantantoni

The township, he said, had to set aside \$400,000 for that purpose.

## Planning Board drops consultant after more than 25 years with town

By Howard Klausner

The Planning Board has dropped the Planning Association of North Jersey as its expert consultant, after a relationship that began in 1968.

The job of analyzing building applications and making recommendations to the Board has been assigned to Greg Comito, the parttime Planning Consultant to the

The decision was announced by Planning Board Chairman Sebastian (Sam) Papa, who said the job should be the Planner's respon-

The Planning Association of North Jersey, based in Clifton, recently named Robert Ringelheim as its Director, succeeding its longtime Director, Grace Harris, who remains with the organization as a

This followed Ringelheim's dismissal as Belleville's Planning Director last year.

Township Manager Stephen Cuccio first offered Ringelheim a part-time position as Planning Consultant, and then withdrew the

Ms. Harris was a regular attendant at Planning Board meetings

The Association received \$7,530 for its services last year, all from the fees if applicants.

The Association has been serving as consultant to the Belleville Zoning Board of Appeals for the past eight years.

At its recent reorganization meeting, the Zoning Board renewed its agreement with the Association

The Association acts as consultant to a dozen municipalities in northern New Jersey, including Nutley, Lyndhurst, Rutherford and

## Molinaro launches quest for BOE position

Robert Molinaro, a lifelong resident of Belleville, has announced his candidacy for a seat on the Belleville Board of Education.

The 41-year-old self-employed businessman is a product of the Belleville school system, graduating from Belleville High School in 1970. He graduated from Rutgers University in 1974 and was commissioned a Certified Public Accountant in 1977.

Molinaro believes that the children of Belleville must receive the absolute best education possible by providing for them safe and well maintained schools, the equipment and supplies necessary for learning, and a progressive curriculum. He also wants to use

By Peter S. Mackiewicz

The Belleville Knights of

Columbus Council 835 held its

90th Anniversary Dinner Dance at

the Landmark II on Route 17 on

Grand Knight Thomas Doeffinger

and Deputy Grand Knight

1904, it was on the present site of

Bamberger's in Newark that 34

chartr members were awarded offi-

cial degrees that past Sunday after-

The Belleville Knights' first

meeting was held in St. Peter's old

school on William Street in

Belleville. The first social event

was a clambake held in 1904 on the

property of member Edward L.

and was located on the present site

It was known as Butler's Grove

The beginning years were spent

Subsequent meetings were held

building up the organization, sign-

Ninety years ago on Jan. 31,

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Alphonse Rossi.



Knights mark 90th anniversary

his business and accounting background to make certain that the taxpayers of our town receive every penny's worth of value from every tax dollar spent on education.

Molinaro is married to the former Sandra Nyegaard for 17 years, and is father to his son Rob, a freshman at Belleville High School. He is also the son of long time residents Pompey and Rose Molinaro, two of Belleville's senior citizens.

A campaign kickoff party will be held for Molinaro at the Knights of Columbus, 98 Bridge St., Belleville on March 10, at 7:30 p.m. All are invited

## D'Alessio found guilty

By Juliann Walsh

County Executive Thomas D'Alessio and his campaign treasurer, Joseph Thor, both of Nutley, were found guilty Monday on 12 of 19 federal charges, including extortion, filed against them last year.

The following day, D'Alessio, 59, announced his resignation, from one of New Jersey's most powerful offices, effective immediately. An interim county executive will be appointed by the Essex County Chosen Freeholders from within their nine-member board or the county administrator, Don Bias. Freeholder Joseph DiVincenzo, of Nutley, is among the prime candidates.

According to a spokesperson in Freeholder President Sara Bost's office, Bost will be speaking with each freeholder individually. Although not rushing into a quick decision, she said the freeholders will fill the position well before the

allotted 30 days. The verdict, which includes a guilty charge for extortion of a \$59,000 bribe from a garbage hauling firm for operating permits, came after seven days of jury deliberation and a three month

Both D'Alessio and Thor were found guilty of the same charges including extortion, fraud and misappropriation for receiving \$59,000 from Attwoods Inc. of Miami and London in exchange for state permits. The County Executive was



Essex County Freeholder Joseph DiVincenzo, left, and Freeholder President Sara Bost discuss County Executive Thomas D'Aiessio's resignation on Tuesday.

alleged to have met with officials of Attwoods Inc. through a longtime friend and supporter, attorney Eric Mayer. Mayer is an unindicted co-conspirator in the case, who testified under a grant of immunity that he was hired by Attwoods Inc. to obtain the permits. Mayer lives in Nutley and serves as chief of the auxiliary police.

Throughout the case, Mayer maintained he gave the \$59,000 to D'Alessio's father as a friendly

D'Alessio and Thor were found innocent on charges that they used funds from a \$100-a-plate dinner to pay for a vacation to Aruba and purchase of a jet ski and jewelry.

Reports describe D'Alessio as being shocked by the verdict and said that he is innocent.

D'Alessio's troubles began five years ago when he was indicted on charges of defrauding contributor for his 'Friends of Tom D' Alessio' fundraising dinner. Those charges were thrown out by U.S. District Judge H. Lee Sarokin when the case was found to be legally flawed. The extortion charges were filed in federal court that same day.

in the old Post Office, First Rev. Anthony J. Lionell. National Bank, Peoples Bank and the V.F.W. building.

James J. Boylan was the first Grand Knight of Belleville Council No. 835 and was also organizer of the popular Peoples Trust Co.

The first Trustees were the Rev. James Smith, Joseph A. Connolly and Dr. John F. Condon, The first Deputy Grand Knight was Dominick A. Walsh.

The Belleville Knights celebrated their Silver Jubilee at St. Peter's School Hall in 1929. In 1954, they celebrated their Golden Jubilee at the Robert Treat Hotel in Newark and their Diamond Jubilee at Gene Boyle's in Clifton, on Feb. 3, 1979.

Officers of Council No. 835 include Chancellor George Wilson, Warder Ronald M. Byers, Guards Pete Mackiewicz, Antony Viscel, Ronald Byers and Gerard Campanella, Recorder Mark Adubato, Treasurer Joseph Wolf, Advocate James Kiernan, Trustees Nick DiGiovanni, Richard Glogoza, Dominick Faggiara, Frank Corbo and Lecturer Dominick Faggiana and Chaplain

with grand party and celebration

Committee appointments include: Blood Bank Chairman James Kisner and Gregg McDonald, P.B.A.; Community Activities, Pete Mackiewicz; Youth Director, Ron M. Byers; Program Director, Al Rossi; Membership, George Wilson; Church Activities, Frank Corbo.

Past Grand Knight Joseph Wolf served as Master of Ceremonies. Honoree of Council No. 835 was Kenneth Murray, who faithfully served the Council for 45 years.

He was presented a plaque, theater and dinner tickets for himself and his wife and a pen and pencil set with the K. of C. logo from the Supreme Treasurer Bob Wade.

The Murrays also received a replica of the Holy Family from State Deputy Robert Mate.

Supreme Knight Virgil Dechant sent Knight Murray a Certificiate of Commendation.

The affair was also attended by the Most Rev. Michael A. Saltarelli, State Chaplain, who made a short address, and also by District Deputy Dennis Purdura.

John O'Connell

## John O'Connell on Dean's List

John P. O'Connell, Jr., son of John and Mary O'Connell of Belleville, has been named to the Dean's List of the New Jersey Institute of Technology in Newark.

Mr. O'Connell is a 1993 graduate of Belleville High School, where he was recipient of the 1993 American Irish Nutley Association's Anne P. Keating Memorial Scholarship.

He is majoring in Mechanical Engineering at NJIT.

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## Clara Maass physician elected medical staff president "The board of trustees, adminis-

Dr. Philip Anthony Rispoli, M.D., of Bloomfield, an attending physician in family practice at Clara Maass Health System, Inc., in Belleville, was recently elected president of the medical staff.

"I am both honored and proud to serve as president of the medical staff at Clara Maass Health System," said Rispoli. "Years ago my family moved to Belleville from Newark, when Clara Maass as we know it today was just a dream. Today we are experiencing the 'bridge' between the original hospital and the current one.

Born in Italy, Rispoli immigrated to the United States with his family when he was 1 1/2 years old. His family settled in Newark, where he grew up.

"The modern hospital works in a "trifuricated" manner; meaning that the three branches interweave, compromise, trust and understand the others," he said.

## Saint Dominic lists Honor Roll

Elizabeth Rizzolo of Belleville, a Senior at Mount Saint Dominic Academy in Caldwell, and Nyree Tedesco of Belleville, a Junior, have been named to the Honor Roll for the Second marking peri-

The announcement was made by Sister M. de Montfort, O.P.

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tration and medical staff and its allies can achieve the vision of the founders by continuing the mission and inspiring fair play with energy and enthusiasm," said Rispoli, when asked about the goals of the new medical staff administration.

In the two-year position, Rispoli's duties are multidimensional. His responsibilities include the administration and coordination of the medical staff and to act as a liaison to the medical center's executive office and the board of

A graduate of Tulane University

in New Orleans, La., and the University of Bologna, Italy, Rispoli obtained his specialty training in family practice at Martland Medical Center in Newark, now known as University Hospital.

In addition to his administrative duties at the medical center, Rispoli maintains a private practice in one of three of the medical center's professional buildings. He is a fellow in the Academy of Family Practice and a member of the American Medical Association and previously served as president of the Essex County Medical Society.

## UNICO aids quake area

Italian-American service club in the United States, is seeking contributions for relief efforts in earthquake-stricken California.

"The recent earthquake in Los Angeles has created vast devastation to the properties of people residing in that area - damage to homes, businesses and public facilities - not to mention the psychological effects," said John A.

"This disaster has resulted in action by many service organizations to raise funds to alleviate some of the problems of those directly affected. UNICO National

UNICO National, the largest is no exception. Through our National Disaster Relief Fund, financial aid is being directed for that purpose," he said.

> "Although the United States government does appropriate funds for those in need, it is never enough. Whatever UNICO will be able to contribute, I am sure will help to some extent," said Botti.

Anyone wishing to assist UNICO in this endeavor is welcome. You may send your contribution, made out to "UNICO National Disaster Relief Fund," to UNICO National, 72 Burroughs Place, Bloomfield, N.J. 07003.

### Retirement bill released

Legislation that would encourage more local police and fire employees to take early retirement under a one-time program recently enacted was released recently by the Assembly State Government Committee by a vote of 7-

benefits after retirement.

In March 1993, a program spons-ored by Assembly Speaker Chuck Haytaian, R-21, offering local govemment employees the same early retirement offer extended to state personnel was enacted. The law permitted employees in the Police and Firemen's Retirement System with at least 20 years of service to retire and receive full credit for 25 years of service. The early retirement plan saved the state and municipalities money by moving higher-paid personnel off the

ipate because they will not be able to retire with paid health benefits, even if the bonus gives them a total of 25 years of service," explained Crecco. "This is because the law authorizing local governments to offer paid health coverage to retired employees under private plans only permits them to do so for employees with 25 years of service in that same municipality or county.

Therefore, those who have 25 total years of service, but switched employers during their careers, are not eligible until they have 25 years with the same employer. That oversight undermines the purpose of the early retirement program," she

Crecco's bill would provide that employees of local governments offering retiree coverage under their own plans will be able to get paid health benefits with 25 total years of service, including a five-year bonus given under the program, providing that they serve 15 years in the same municipality or county.

The bill, A-1059, now goes to the full Assembly for a vote.

The bill, sponsored by Assemblywoman Marion Crecco, R-34, of Bloomfield, would enable certain "early retirement" program participants to receive paid health

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Belleville Senior News



By Joseph Restaino

Yesterday was sunlight Soft and warm, caressing A sweet blushing rose in tender sighs, Kissing the fragrant garden in rosy beauty.

Today is darkness, Damp and cold, freezing The earth into a barren wasteland Of empty silence and stale odors.

And there is no rose. It tiptoed away, sometime between Yesterday and today. To find Brighter sunlight and more fertile gardens. Joseph T. Restaino

Now that the weather has taken a turn for the better, activities are being renewed at the Senior Center. An instructor from Essex County led a large group in aerobics on Monday. Both the Tuesday and Friday clubs participate in this program every Monday morning. Mary Melchione is in charge of this program with help from Maria Triona.

Also on Monday afternoon, several members from both clubs, under the leadership of Tuesday members Phyllis Granger and Helen Burr, and Friday members Ann Fernicola and Maria Triona, meet to knit lap robes, slippers, hats, afghans and baby outfits. Some of these articles are given to those who need them. The remainder are held until Christmas and they are then distributed as Christmas gifts to patients in hospitals, nursing homes and homes for unwed women. These aricles are very beautiful to see and are gratefully accepted by the patients. Members donate the wool needed and every now and then, a raffle is held to raise money to buy more wool.

I was very disappointed in Governor Whitman's statement that she approves of the \$17 million allotted by the U.S. government for more studies on the flood tunnel project. Why waste more money on a dead issue? Seventeen million may be small potatoes to her but it's an awful lot of money to me. Let's do something positive with it.

In the past few weeks, a couple of teenagers were killed by guns that were accidently fired while horsing around with friends. Having guns around is very dangerous. A few years ago, a friend of mine who had a business in the Valley, was held up by two intruders. He had a gun under the counter and he went to grab the gun but he was shot and killed before he could grab it. Maybe, just maybe, if he did not have he gun, he would still be alive today. I personally think that guns should be prohibited at the manufacturing end before they get out to the public.

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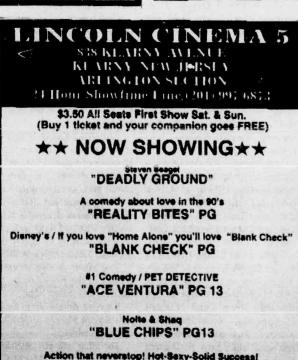
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## Woman's Club plans 'Boutique'

Instead of buying party bas- Instructor, Susan Niles

kets, learn to make attractive Amirian, has written a booklet

aways" at the Hackensack on crafts from recycled materi-

Meadowlands Development als. She will use techniques

ment Center in Lyndhurst, 10 ticipants make creative party

The Woman's Club of Belleville will have a "Unique Boutique" at 6:30 p.m., March 18, at the Branch Brook Manor in Belleville.

There will be a shopping time period followed by a full course dinner.

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Belleville soldier

completes training

has completed a U.S. Army prima-

ry leadership course here in Camp

supervisory skills, leadership prin-

ciples, and small unit training tech-

niques essential to a first-line super-

visor in a technical or administra-

the son of Salvatore Campanella of

Belleville. He is the brother of

Susan A. Campanella of West Palm

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The HMDC Environment Center is located near the NJ Turnpike and Routes 3 and 17.

### The Belleville High School chapter of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)

the North-Central Regional Middlesex County College in Edison, officials said.

This conference is designed to promote competent, aggressive business leadership for the over 500 local members in the competition. The various events were judged by business people and educators and offer members an opportunity to achieve this year's state theme of "A Vision For The Future."

## NJIT lists its Honor Roll

The New Jersey Institute of Technology in Newark has announced the names of Belleville students who have earned Dean's List Honors for the Fall 1993

They include Anthony R. Diubaldi, a Junior majoring in Electrical Engineering; John P. O'Connell, Jr., a Freshman majoring in Mechanical Engineering, and Arthur J. Caruso, a Junior majoring in Human Resource Management.

Also, Peter Paul Bono, a Fifth Year student majoring in Electrical Engineering; Shoaib M. Chaudhry, a Senior majoring in Computer Science; Benedetto Armenti, a Fifth Year student majoring in Financial Administration Management, and Joseph M. Mauriello, a Senior majoring in Architecture.

Also, Emmanuel D. Arceo, a Junior majoring in Electrical Engineering; Jose R. Padilla, a Freshman majoring in Electrical Engineering; George S. Lukowiak, a Senior majoring in Architecture, and Rene J. Yandun, a Sophomore majoring in Electrical Engineering.

The following members represented the Belleville High School chapter: Angela Candelario, Buccino, Christopher Joseph Carino, Melissa Cheng, Michelle Cluen, Daniella Ferreira, Karla Herrera, Tina Kowalick, Janine Mazzuca. Katherine Navaez, David Nixon, Bhagini Patel, Kimberly Piscatowski, Joseph Sabatino, Danielle Stabile, Areli Torres, Yahaira Christopher Uzzolina and Christopher Venezia. They were accompanied by Linda Montanino, FBLA advisor and Barbara Klotz,

School business club attends local conference

CBE coordinator. Six BHS students received awards at the competition. They were Melissa Cheng - first place, word processing; Christopher Uzzolina - third place, business calculations; Yahaira Urena - sixth place, information processing procedures; Janine Mazzuca - eighth place, business communication; and Angela Candelario - eighth place, keyboarding applications.

These six students are now eligible to compete with winners from the other New Jersey regions at the FBLA State Leadership Conference which will be held March 10-11 at the Hyatt Hotel in Cherry Hill.

## Drozdz campaign sets a fundraiser

The Committe to Re-elect Mario Drozdz as Councilman-atlarge will host a breakfast fundraiser at 9:30 a.m., Sunday, March 6 at the Chandelier Restaurant in Belleville.

Tickets are \$30 a person. For ticket information, call

Kathy at (201) 751-2277.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the Township of Belleville, Essex County, New Jersey for Sanitary Sew-er Replacement on Heckel Street, Kimble Street, and Watsessing Avenue will be opened and read in public at Township of Belleville Mun-Township of Belleville Mun-icipal Building, 152 Washington Avenue, Bellev-ille, New Jersey, on March 3, 1994, at 11:00 a.m. Prevailing

The proposed work consists of the Sanitary Sewer Replacement on Heckel Street, Kimble Street, and

Watsessing Avenue. Contract Documents and Plans for the proposed work, prepared by Thomas J. Herits, P.E., Township Engineer, Belleville Township, New Jersey, may be inspected by prospective bidders during

business hours.
Bidders will be furnished with a copy of the Contract Documents and Plans by the Engineer at 152 Washington Engineer at 152 washington Avenue, upon proper notice and payment of a nonre-fundable charge of Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.00) made payable to the Township of Belleville to defray the cost

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amount bid, except that the bid guarantee need not exce-ed \$20,000.00. The award of the contract for this work will not be made until the necessary funds have been provided by the Township of Belleville in a lawful manner.

The Township or Engineer reserve the right to require a complete financial and experience statement from prospective bidders showing that they have satisfactorily completed work of the nat-ure required before furnish-ing proposal forms or spec-ifications, or before award-

The right is also reserved to reject any or ell bids or to waive any informalities where such informality is not detrimental to the best est of the Township. right is also reservincease or decrease quantities specified in manner designated in Specifications

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## UR OPINION

### Without True Faith

Without true faith you're like a ship tossed in a storm at sea,

Not knowing what may be your course and lost most hopelessly. True faith will bring you happiness and be your guiding light.

True faith will weather every storm though dark may be your plight.

It will dispel despair and gloom and help your fears allay.

True faith will bring you strength anew to face each dawning day.

Harold F. Mohn

## **Unanswered questions**

The Belleville resident who looks backward to an earlier time, then scans these bitter hills, these cracked walks, these desolate streets, and feels in the marrow of his bones the icy winds cutting through the sharp edges of this stony landscape, may reflect on the past governments the township has been burdened with, and those trudging afterward in the grey shadow of Vincent Frantantoni, President of the Concerned Citizens of Belleville.

They won't say so of course but their sole "concern" is to spend nothing so as to lower

There is no vision here, these elderly see no palm tree court yards in Granada, nor alabaster walls in a modern day Cordova.

Even so, it must be said that Frantantoni now and again chances on a problem that

Most recently, he has hit upon a series of interrelated questions that deserve answers; to wit, how is it that Essex County is able to turn over to the Center for Molecular Medicine and Immunology some eight acres for one dollar under present arrangements while the township has to spend \$400,000

It does not take much to realize that there is something funny going on here. How was

According to Frantantoni, disposal of the

Of course, one Frank Giantomasi, chief council to the board of freeholders, claims the county government is abiding by a different law, the law governing

A related question may be this; how is it that the Belleville Planning Board can declare such property in need of redevelopment when it is not blighted in any

And if Frantantoni is correct, there will be some serious traffic problems developed on that Franklin and Belleville avenue corner if the Immunology Center creates a higher use, and if in fact there are other buildings scattered about that area to be used by many more people.

present is bad enough.

by an objective engineering firm specializing in this area would help resolve

## redevelopment projects.

property more properly comes under the Local Lands and Buildings Law administered through the municipalities.

The flow of traffic at that corner at

Consequently, a traffic study performed

Such a study would, among other things, answer questions about traffic flow north, south, east and west at peak hours and project the flow when there's a higher

## Is this for us?

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The phrase used to describe this atrocity is "female genital mutilation", and while it is not a pleasant subject by any means, it is quite important that the average citizen know what its about because the school administrators, teachers and board members entranced with the state pushed "multicultural curriculum" will say little or nothing about it.

But on February 10, Ted Koppel on his TV production "Nightline", presented the case of an illegal alien, a woman from Ghana in Africa, who was facing

deportation hearings.

But the woman had two daughters born in the U.S. and consequently U.S. citizens, and who, if they returned with their mother, would undergo this extremely painful genital mutilation that is part and parcel of the culture of some 30 African countries, some in South America and some in southeast Asia.

Besides this woman, Koppel interviewed a Professor Soraya Mire, an African woman who is teaching in the U.S. and who is putting together a video tape of the 5,000 year old practice referred to on the program as a "right of passage" for young women.

Congresswoman Pat Schroder, also on the program, said she is introducing a bill in Congress that would make the practice illegal in the United States, an act of child

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abuse. For, she had heard that there were instances of it happening here.

But you won't find mention of it in the education trade journals, and it won't appear in the teachers texts, and children inculcated with tales of how Americans mistreated Indians will not hear mention of this.

Oh, teachers bubbling over after the latest seminar on this kind of "feel goodism" will go into raptures about a Bambara antelope headdress, an Ibibio female figure, or yes, a beaded pouch made by the Blackfeet Indians as a nod to the Native Americans.

Then as a bow to Hispanics and Indians in South America, they may go into the making of a Honduran tripod jar or the figure of an Aztec stone goddess.

This is pandering big time, and withall, students are told how dreadful Europeans and Americans have been to native peoples everywhere and at the same time how peaceful and benign were the cultures of the more primitive tribes.

This nonsense is all brought to you courtesy of Leonard Jeffries of New York University, one Kahil Mohammed, and Louis Farrakan, all of whom have complained about the culture and history of this nation. Since the woman from Ghana seems to have no such problem, we might well suggest that she be allowed to stay while Farrakan and company take her place.

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## YOUR OPINION

## A missing pet

I have written to you in hope that your readers might help locate a lost miniature fluffy white

A family from Virginia lost the the Poodle on Feb. 3 around 4 p.m.

He was last seen running west on Little Street toward Union Avenue.

The Poodle has a gray black mark above the tail on his rump. He is a family pet in a strange town and would not know its way back to the house where he

The family is hoping your readers can help. If found, please call (201) 751-1376.

Clara Ryan Belleville

## Poll workers cheated

I'm writing to you so you and other people know what a cheap group of politicians did in Essex

As a person who worked at the election polls for the past 10 years, I'm very angry. People who work at the polls on Election Day receive \$75. If you drive, pick up books and deliver them at the closing of the election, you receive \$25 more

I would get up at 6 a.m. and help fix machines that were stuck or whatever, in order to open polls on time. When you close, inspect, write a few things and carry the heavy books back to Town Hall, you generally don't get home till 10:30 p.m. or even 11

I didn't mind, because I believed I was helping to run a fair election.

Most people who work the polls are 70 years old and better. They do not get Social Security or unemployment. In fact, as a federal employee, I don't receive either one. Can you imagine?

Essex County only took out unemployment and Social Security from the few dollars we receive. Last election, because of this, I lost two knowledged workers. All polls in Essex County were short of

Essex County didn't care who ran the election polls. They did it again this last election.

Elections cost millions of dollars. You cannot be definit by stealing a few dollars from

make up the deficit by stealing a few dollars from people who work the polls on Election Day.

and many people like me will not work at the polls any longer. I'm sure it will not be my loss. I'm not running for office.

Don V. Pezzino

## On change

Many taxpayers, renters, business people and politicians have been asking me what is happening vith the change?

A meeting was held last month. In spite of the bad storm, 32 good residents showed up and many people called explaining they would have attended but could not because of the inclement weather.

Many questions were addressed - services, police review board of citizens, high water bills, high taxes, free property for our senior citizen building, garbage and furniture all over the streets, and raises for certain people in Town Hall. Also, overtime for salaried employees and many other expenses paid by the

taxpayers of Belleville. As you know, in the past 3 weeks very few people who belong to organizations have attended meetings and most meetings have been canceled. We have to congratulate the 32 people and change committee who showed up for this first meeting of the change in

Petitions are in the hands of many people but the

weather is hampering the obtaining of signatures. Our committee members are Joseph Restaino, Mary Cavallo, Henry Charjewski, Felix Conte and George Turturiello.

Anyone wishing to help in getting signatures can ask any committee person for petitions.

In addition, again, because of the bad weather, an extension date to submit the petitions will be asked of our state legislators.

As people should know, an election is to be held on May 10, 1994 and if they do not wish to continue to pay, pay and pay more taxes for less services, see garbage all over the streets - do something about it!

Joseph Fornarotto Change Committee Coordinator

## Thanks from Mike

To The Editor,

On Thursday, Feb. 3, family, friends and professional associates gathered to help me celebrate my

The outpouring of love, respect and attention will remain indelibly in my heart.

I thanked most of them personally, but I want them to know publicly that I will never forget them and the tribute they paid me.

May God Bless You All and keep you well!

Michael D. Nardiello Retired Superintendent of Schools



## Of **Things**

By Frank Orechio A feature of the Nutley Sun, Bloomfield Life and **Belleville Times** 

• ESSEX COUNTY G.O.P. Chairman John Renna recently held a meeting of the municipal G.O.P. chairmen and announced that resumes were being accepted to be forwarded to the Office of Governor Christie Whitman from individuals interested in serving for gubernatoriorial appointments are subject to Senate confirmation. Essex County senatorial courtesy temporarily is exercised through Senate President DiFrancesco because of intraparty problems. The only Republican senator who represents any part of Essex County is Senator John Scott whose district takes in Nutley and Belleville. Senator Scott is reportedly considering moving his voting address to Essex County. Such a development will probably give Scott Republican senatorial courtesy for all of Essex. Meanwhile, County Chairman John Renna announced he intended to seek re-election to another two-year term as Republican County boss. Last time out, friends of Bloomfield attorney, Ralph Salerno, were urging Salerno to take the plunand challenge Renna. A Republican Primary fight was averted because Renna and Salerno were able to negotiate an agreement that both could live

 ATTORNEY MICHAEL FRANCIS is the new Chairman of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority, Mike Francis is a proven leader and successful businessman who can be expected to look upon the operations of the Sports Authority as a business venture and not a public agency. Francis has inherited an excellent facility,

which under his direction can only improve. Joining Francis on the Authority is former State Republican Senator Ray Bateman of Somerset County. Bateman made a run for Governor and lost to Brendan Byrne in 1977. Ironically, Bateman displaces Brendan Byrne on the Sports



Michael Francis

• THE Nutley Historical Society Annual Dinner is scheduled for Thursday, March 3rd, 6:45 PM at the Vincent Methodist Church. \$12 will get you a dinner and the opportunity to hear an executive of the Newark Museum deliver remarks on Newark's history and the Ballantine House renovation. Reservations can be made by mailing a check payable to the Nutley Historical Society in care of D. J. Eisenfelder, 51 Enclosure, Nut-

 SENATOR JOHN SCOTT is seriously concerned about the proposed school voucher system. What apparently bothers Scott is the possibility that the cost of public education will not decrease while issuing vouchers will increase the cost of education, thus wuchers becoming a disguised tax. The Senator may have something there.



• THE conviction this week of unty Executive Tom D'Alessio is a personal tragedy - a very sad chapter in an otherwise illustrious public service career. Many names have been mentioned to succeed D'Alessio in the County Executive chair. East Orange Mayor Cardell

Cooper already has announced his candidacy. He enjoys the support of State Senator Richard Codey who together with Cooper represent a new wing of the Democrat Party. The best candidate that the

Essex Democrat Party could nominate to reclaim the County Executive's seat is Democrat Chairman and former Freeholder Director Tom Giblin. He has broad governmental experience and enjoys the support of most, if not all, municipal Democrat



## **Letters to the Editor**

## Unsafe school stop

To the editor:

I am a parent who has a child which attends School No. 7. My father-in-law has taken her to school for the past two years. He drops her off for school across the street from the parking lot on Passaic Avenue and crosses her across the street. He is only there for approximately 25-30 seconds.

This morning he was approached by a police officer and was informed that he can no longer drop her off there and tickets will be issued if he continues to drop

I would like to know where can my daughter be dropped off safely where there would be no threat of an accident happening. Parents cannot drop their children off on Passaic Avenue and Joralemon Street because of the light that is there and there is no place to pause to drop off a child. Parents cannot drop their children off on Passaic Avenue and Division Avenue because there is no crossing guard there and it is a very dangerous intersection. If you drop the child off on Liberty Avenue and Division Avenue there is a

crossing guard there but there still is not one at Passaic Avenue and Division Avenue. If you drop your child off on Liberty Avenue and Division Avenue and have them walk from that intersection all the way to Joralemon Street and Passaic Avenue, parents risk something happening to their child which is also not safe.

There really should be an agreement between the school and the police department that between the hours of say 8:15 a.m. and 8:45 a.m., that it should be for school traffic only and people who are in that area are only dropping off their children/grandchildren and will only be there for 25-30 seconds. There has never been a problem before so how come all of a sudden there's a big problem? Things have run smoothly for the past years so why should there be a

I would really like to know, as I'm sure other parents would like to know, where can my child be dropped off for school where it would be safe?

Mary-Ellen Knowles

## Preserve wildlife

To the editor:

I am writing on behalf of the Friends of Endangered and Nongame Wildlife, Inc. We are a New Jersey nonprofit group dedicated to promoting the conservation of our state's endangered and nongame wil:llife.

One of the biggest obstacles to effective conservation in New Jersey is the lack of stable and adequate funding. Although this sounds like the lament of almost all government programs these days, the funding base for the state program to conserve endangered and nongame wildlife in New Jersey is unique. The Endangered and Nongame Species Program within the DEPE's Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife receives no state tax money and its survival is dependent on contributions from the

Up until this year, the only major source of funding for the ENSP has been the Wildlife Tax Check-off on the state tax form. This sole funding source has fluctuated wildly over the past four years because of state tax law changes and slow economic conditions.

The check-off contribution rate has fallen to less than 2 percent of taxpayers. Fortunately, a new and exciting piece of legislation has created another

funding mechanism to conserve the wildlife we all enjoy in our state.

A full color, Wildlife Conservation license plate is now available through the mail from DMV. Over 80 percent of the \$50 one time fee for the wildlife plate goes to the ENSP for programs to conserve our endangered and nongame wildlife. Motorists can now proudly display their concern and support of wildlife conservation in New Jersey.

My message is simple. If you want our children to enjoy the rich wildlife heritage we currently enjoy we have to directly support the only state program that can make that possible.

Information and applications for the Wildlife license plate can be obtained by calling 1-800-WPLATES.

Once motorists have their plates it is important for them to continue their support through an annual contribution to the tax check-off. Five dollars a year is a small price to pay to preserve an irreplaceable

> Bill McDermott, President Endangered and Nongame Wildlife, Inc.

## First Fidelity Bancorporation to acquire First Inter-Bancorp

First Fidelity Bancorporation of Lawrenceville and First Inter-Bancorp Inc. of Fishkill, N.Y., announced a definitive merger agreement under which First Fidelity will purchase First Inter-Bancorp and its subsidiary, Mid-Hudson Savings Bank FSB, for \$56 million in cash.

Under the terms of the agreement, holders of First Inter-Bancorp common stock will receive \$24.20 in cash for each share, or about 130 percent of First Inter-Bancorp's book value at Dec. 31,

First Inter-Bancorp's principal subsidiary is Mid-Hudson Savings Bank, a federally chartered thrift which at year-end 1993 had \$521 million in assets, \$460 million in deposits and 16 branches in Dutchess, Ulster, Orange and Putnam counties, New York. In the acquisition, Mid-Hudson will be merged into First Fidelity Bank, N.A., New York, which has \$2.5 billion in assets and more than 40 offices. Pending is the merger of The Savings Bank of Rockland County and its four branches into First Fidelity Bank, New York.

"First Fidelity has a demonstrated commitment to our market," Robert N. Chambers, chairman and executive officer of First Inter-Bancorp and Mid-Hudson, said. "Our customers will benefit from this commitment and the wider array of products and services this very successful and excellent banking company can provide. And our shareholders are receiving an attractive price for their investment."

Kenneth H. Thorn, First Fidelity Bank, New York, president and chief operating officer, said: "This acquisition enhances our presence and service capability in the Hudson Valley market and provides us an opportunity to serve 55,000 new customer accounts. We look forward to providing Mid-Hudson's customers the full range of our commercial, trust and retail ser-

First Fidelity said the transaction will be accounted for as a purchase, is expected to close in the third quarter of 1994, and is expected to be accretive to earnings in 1994 and

The transaction, which has been approved by the Boards of Directors of both First Inter-Bancorp and First Fidelity, is subject to a number of customer closing conditions and requires the approval of the shareholders of First Inter-Bancorp as well as a number of bank and thrift regulatory agencies. In connection with its approval of

the transaction, the First Inter-Bancorp Board received an opin-ion of Lyons, Zomback & Ost-rowski, a division of Advest, Inc., that the merger consideration is fair to the First Inter-Bancorp



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The proposed work consists of the Installation of Handicap Ramps and Chair Lifts at the Public Library.

Contract Documents and Contract Documents and Plans for the proposed work, prepared by Thomas J. Herits, P.E., Township Engineer, Belleville Township, New Jersey, may be inspected by prospective bidders during business hours.

Bidders will be furnished with a copy of the Contract Documents and Plans by the Engineer at 152 Washington Avenue, upon proper notice and payment of a nonre-fundable charge of Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.00) made payable to the Township of Belleville to defray the cost thereof

Proposals must be made on the standard Proposal form in a manner designated in the contract documents, must be enclosed in sealed envelopes bearing the name and address of the bidder and the name of the work on the outside, addressed to the Township of Belleville and must be accompanied by a Statement of Consent of Surety from a surety company authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey, acceptable to the Township of Belleville for not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount bid, except that the bid guarantee need not exceed \$20,000.00.

The award of the contract for this work will not be made

until the necessary funds have been provided by the Township of Belleville in a lawful manner. The Township or Engineer

reserve the right to require a complete financial and experience statement from prospective bidders showing that they have satisfactorily completed work of the nat-ure required before furnish-Ing proposal forms or spec-ifications, or before award-

ing the contract. The right is also reserved to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities where such informality is not detrimental to the best interest of the Township. The right is also reserved to increase or decrease the quantities specified in the manner designated in the Specifications

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975 C.127 and P.L. 1977, C.33 and the

applicable requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et. seq., the Local Public Contracts Law. The successful bidder shall be required to comply with the provisions of the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, Chapter 150 of the Laws of 1963, effective January 1, 1964. The contract governing the work is funded by monies received by the Township of

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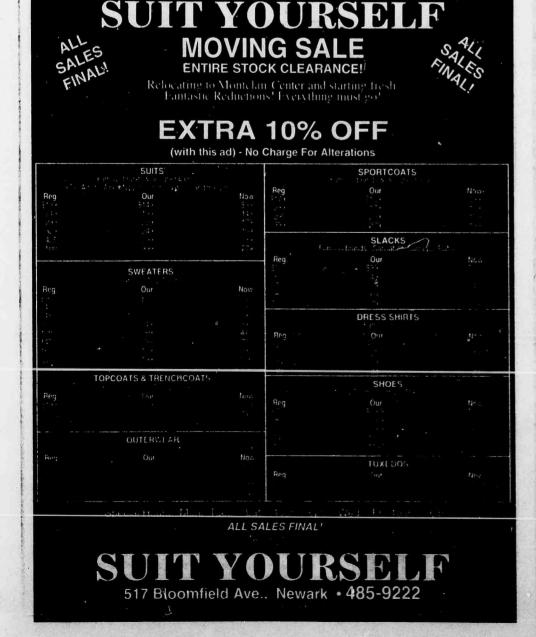
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### Tax assistance

Through VITA and Rutgers University Chapter of Accountants for the Public Interest, the Belleville Public Library will be a site for tax assistance offered by trained students on Thursday evenings from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Feb. 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31,

April 7 and April 14.

Bring last year's New Jersey and federal income tax returns, your current tax records for 1993, and your 1993 real estate tax bill. Also bring any income tax packages you have received.

### Klein's mobile office

On Feb. 28, from 6:30-8 p.m., a staff member from Congressman Herb Klein's office will be available in the Trustees Meeting Room of the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, to discuss any questions concerning federal issues or agencies. The purpose of a mobile office is to give constituents an opportunity to discuss issues and problems at a location near to them. Herb Klein is a member of Congress from the 8th district.

### Love poems

Belleville humanities scholar, Frank De Lisi will discuss "Love Poems" on Feb. 28 at 1 p.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center. The program is sponsored by the Friends of the Belleville Public Library and Information Center. Call 450-3434 to register. The library is planning to provide several poetry programs this year.

### Pictures of Belleville

In honor of American History Month, a display of pictures of Belleville have been provided in the name of the Wells Family by Georgette Wells Whitley of Belleville. The exhibit can be viewed during the month of February at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center.

## **BOOK MARKS**

### **Book discussions**

Book discussions by New Jersey scholars on the theme "A Study of Pulitzer Authors and Their Award Winning Novels: 1919-1945," will begin on March 16, at 1 p.m. with a lecture and discussion on "The Magnificent Ambersons," by Booth Tarkington with Dr. George Moore, Professor of English, School of Visual Arts. On March 30, "The Age of Innocence," by Edith Wharton, discussed by Frank De Lisi, Adjunct Professor of English at Rutgers University. On April 13, Dr. Henry Christian, Professor of English, Rutgers University, will deliver a lecture "One of Ours," by Willa Cather. On April 27, Dr. T. Patrick Lynch, Professor of English, St. Peter's College, will discuss "Arrowsmith," by Sinclair Lewis. On May 11, Dr. Robert Gold, Professor of English, Jersey City State College, will lecture on "The Grapes of Wrath," by John Steinbeck.

All lectures in the series commence at 1 p.m. English teachers are invited to bring a class, but must reserve with Ms. Cohen in Study of Pulitzer Authors and Their Award Winning Novels: 1919-

are invited to bring a class, but must reserve with Ms. Cohen in advance by calling 450-3434. Individuals who wish to register for the series, should call the Circulation Desk at 450-3434.

### Italian language course

The library will be offering an Italian Language Course for twenty sessions in the spring and in the fall.

The spring semester will run on March 12, 19, 26, April 9, 16, 23,

30, May 7, 14 and 21.

The fall semester will run on Sept. 17, 24, Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29,

To register for the course, call the Circulation Desk at 450-3434.

**Security National Bank** 

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year ended December 31, 1993 of \$242,814, or 92 cents per share, compared with a net income of

\$166,343, or 63 cents per share, for

Fedigan attributed the bank's increased earnings to an improved Net Interest Margin, increased

Non-interest Income, and reduced

Total assets at December 3i, 1993 amounted to \$83,653 million compared with \$74,167 million at

year-end 1992. Deposits at Decem-

ber 31, 1993 were \$74,949 million compared with \$64,790 million at

year-end 1992. Fedigan indicated that the bank's capital-to-assets ratios con-

tinue to be among the strongest in

the state and well above regulatory

the year 1992.

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## Calendar of Events

In the Trustees Gallery — The Pencil Drawings of Jerry Winick will be on exhibit at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, 221 Washington Avenue, through March 4.

"Places and Peoples From Around the World," a watercolor exhibit by Ann Day of Ringwood, will be on exhibit at the Belleville Public Library, from March 7-31.

In the Display Case: A display, provided by the Belleville High School Crew Team, will be on exhibit during the month of March. A display on Belleville, donated in the name of the Wells Family by Georgette Wells Whitley is on exhibit at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, 221 Washington Avenue. Feb. 24 — The Thursday Film Class Series will feature "Guess"

Feb. 24 - The Thursday Film Class Series will feature "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner," with Sidney Poitier, Katharine Hepburn and Spencer Tracy at 1 p.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, 221 Washington Avenue.

A Secret Movie will be shown at 2 p.m. in the James J. Cozzarelli Jr. Children's Room, Belleville Public Library and

Feb. 25 — The Friday Musical Film Class Series will feature the film, "Yankee Doodle Dandy," at 12:30 p.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center.

Feb. 26 — A program on "Fossils," with fossil enthusiast David Lauer will be given on Saturday at 11 a.m. in the Trustees Meeting

Room of the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, 221 Washington Avenue.

Feb. 28 - The Friends of the Believille Public Library and Information Center, present a program, entitled "Love Poems" at 1 p.m., given by humanities scholar, Frank De Lisi.

From 6:30-8:30 p.m., a staff member from Congress Klein's office will be available at the library to answer questions concerning any federal issues or agencies by means of a "mobile

March 1 — "Discipline Is Not a Dirty Word" will be discussed by Elizabeth Burns of the C.H.A.S.E. Center at 10:30 a.m. at the

Belleville Public Library and Information Center.
The Opera Film Class Series will see the film "Hansel and Gretel," at 12:30 p.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, 221 Washington Avenue.

March 2 — For Women's National History Month, the films "Helen Keller In Her Story" and "Amelia Earhart" will be shown at 1 p.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, 221 Washington Avenue.

March 3 — "Discipline Is Not a Dirty Word" will be discussed by Elizabeth Burns of the C.H.A.S.E. Center at 10:30 a.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center.

March 4 - The Musical Film Class Series will feature "The Music Man" at 12:30 p.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, 221 Washington Avenue.

Checker Games will be played at 3:15 p.m. at the Shafter Branch Library, 30 Magnolia Street.

## Paperback best sellers

Paperback best sellers at the Belleville Public Library and Paperback best sellers at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, include "Schlinder's List," "November of the Heart," "Winter Moon," "Ruby," "Degree of Guilt," "The Pelican Brief," "Prime Witness," "Terminal," "A Time To Kill," "Driving Force," "Along Came a Spider," "The Last Command," "Interview With the Vampire," "The Road Less Traveled," "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings," "The Way Things Ought to Be," "A Year in Provence," "Oprahl," "You Just Don't Understand," "Everthing She Ever Wanted," "The Silent Passage," "Genius," and "Every Living Thing."

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## Obituaries

## Philip Meola, 86

A Mass for Philip Meola, 86, of Long Branch was offered Feb. 15 in St. Peter's Church, Belleville, after the funeral from the Megaro Memorial Home, Belleville.

Mr. Meola died Feb. 19 in the Monmouth Medical Center, Long Branch.

He had been a truck driver for the Krieg Trucking Co. in Newark for 32 years, retiring 22 years ago. He belonged to the Truck Drivers Teamsters Union Local 478 of Newark.

Born in Newark, he lived in Belleville before moving to Long Branch eight months ago.

Surviving are his wife, Florence; four daughters, Mrs. Phyllis Meola, Mrs. Chiafullo, Mrs. Eileen Rolleri and Mrs. Deborah Perri; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Lauadio and Mrs. Gerarda DiBiasi; three brothers, Nicholas, Patsy and John Ciccone, and seven grandchildren.

## Filomena DeBenedictis

Mrs. Filomena DeBenedictis, 73, of Belleville died Feb. 18 in Columbus Hospital, Newark.

A Mass was offered Feb. 15 in St. Lucy's Church, Newark, after the funeral from the Spatola Funeral Home, Newark.

Mrs. DeBenedictis was a member of the St. Gerard Ladies Guild of Newark.

Born in Newark, she lived in Belleville for four years.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Judy Ottaiano; a sister, Mrs. Rocchina Accomando; two brothers, Alexander and Frank Rea, and two grandchildren.

## Patsy Melillo, 84

A Mass for Patsy Melillo, 84, a lifelong resident of Newark, was held Feb. 23 in St. Lucy's Church, Newark. The funeral was from the Megaro Memorial Home, Bellevil-

Mr. Melillo died Feb. 18 in the Clara Maass Medical Center, Bel-

He had been a parts clerk for the

Ford Motor Co. in Teterboro for 35 years before retiring 23 years ago.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Patricia DeFilippis and Mrs. Angela Lanzafame; five brothers, Tom, Joseph, Salvatore, Armand and Anthony, three sisters, Mrs. Geraldine Pasini, Mrs. Mary Berberian and Mrs. Phyllis DelTufo, and six grandchildren.

## Nan M. Marino, 66

A Mass for Mrs. Nan M. Marino, 66, of Belleville was offered Feb. 24 in Holy Family Church, Nutley, after the funeral from the S.W. Brown & Son Funeral Home, Nutley

Mrs. Marino died Feb. 20 in the Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville.

She was a claims examiner for the New Jersey State Division of Unemployment in Newark and Bloomfield for more than 20 years before retiring two years ago.

Born in Scranton, Pa., Mrs. Marino moved to Belleville 42 years ago.

Surviving are her husband, Anthony J. Sr.; a daughter, Nancy; one son, Dr. Anthony J. Jr.; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Lewis and Mrs. Elizabeth Fitch; two brothers, Eugene and John McLaughlin, and three grandchildren.

## Mildred Sibilia, 63

A Mass for Mrs. Mildred E. Sibilia, 63, of Belleville was offered Feb. 24 in St. Lucy's Church, Newark, following the funeral from the Paul A. McDonough Funeral Home, Newark.

Mrs. Sibilia died Feb. 19 in the Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville.

Born in Newark, she lived in Bartonsville, Pa., before moving to Belleville last year.

Surviving are two sons, John and Alan; two brothers, Charles W. and William P. Henderson; two sisters, Mrs. Margaret M. Berezowski and Mrs. Gail Pace, and six grandchildren.

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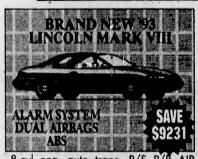
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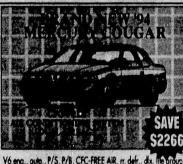
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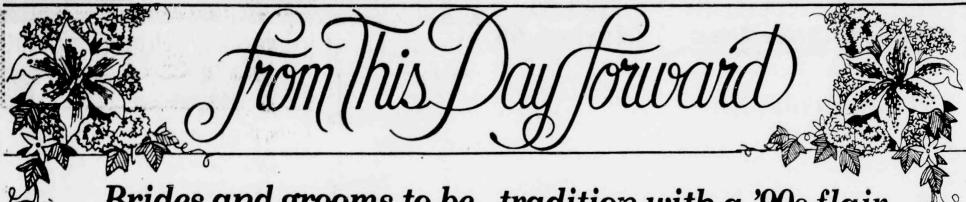
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Mr. and Mrs. Pat Restaino of Lyndhurst announce the engagement of their daughter, Fay Anne D'Antonio, to Raymond G. D'Amico, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carmen D'Amico of Belleivlle.

The troth was made known Jan. 13. The wedding is planned for officer in Bayonne. April 1995.

Miss D'Antonio, daughter also of the late Frank D'Antonio, is an alumna of Belleville High School and Berkeley College. She is a private secretary with Panasonic.

Mr. D'Amico, also a Belleville High School graduate, is a police



Raymond D'Amico - Fay Anne D'Antonio

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## Anna Jannelle Kuhn

A first child, a daughter, Anna Jannelle, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kuhn of Belleville Feb. 3 at Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville. Birth weight was 7 pounds, 3

Mrs. Kuhn is the former Tammy Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Taylor of Livermore, Kentucky. She is a nurse at Clara Maass Medical Center and a n Assemblies of God missionary. Mr. Kuhn is also an Assemblies of God missionary.

## Hemali Mahesh Patel

A second child, a son, Hemali Mahesh, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Mahesh Patel of Nutley Jan. 27 at Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville. Birth weight was 6 pounds, 6 ounces. He joins Reema, five.

Mrs. Patel is the former Indira Bhakta, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dhirajbhai Bhakta of India. Mr. Patel is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tulsidas Patel of Zambia, Africa. The couple are both self-employed.

## Paula Kathleen Bompane

A first child, a daughter, Paula Kathleen, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bompane of Nutley Feb. 9 at Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville. Birth weight was 8 pounds, 10

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## Donna Duca married to Edward E. Lieb, Jr.

Donna M. Duca, daughter of Arlene Duca of Belleville, was married Sept. 18 to Edward E. Lieb, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lieb, Sr. of Belleville.

The Rev. Collins performed the ceremony in St. Anthony's Church, Belleville. A reception followed at The Bethwood, Totowa

The bride was escorted by her father. Desiree Pauluzzo of Maplewood was honor attendant. Bridesmaids included Patricia Zappulla of Bloomfield, Sophie Diana of Rutherford and Kari Siena of Hackettstown. Danielle Palumbo of Belleville was flower

David Carlucci of Randolph served as best man. Ushering were Brian Carlucci of Randolph, Joseph Duca, III of Belleville and Emilio Muricheli of Belleville. Ringbearer was Emilio Muricheli,

Mrs. Lieb, an alumna of Belleville High School, is customer service manager with Pathmark Stores, Inc., South Orange.

Mr. Lieb, also a Belleville High School graduate, is night store manager at Pathmark Stores, Inc., Montclair.

The couple is living in Budd Lake after honeymooning in St.

## Christine Chinchar to wed William Morrison this year

Lois Wylie of Saddle Brook announces the engagement of her daughter, Christine Chinchar, to William Morrison, son of William Morrison of Belleville and the late Margaret Morrison.

The wedding will take place

Miss Chinchar, daughter also of the late Robert Chinchar and a graduate of Saddle Brook High School, is a legal secretary with Citizens 1st National Bank of N.J.

Mr. Morrison, an alumnus of Belleville High School, is a project manager with CSI Construction.

Mrs. Bompane is the former Ellen Lawrence, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lawrence of Manasquan. She is an internal auditor with Provident Savings Bank, Mr. Bompane, son of Hannah Bompane of Seminole, Florida, is a vice president at First Fidelity Bank.

## Robert Salvatore Cashin, Jr.

A first child, a son, Robert Salvatore, Jr., was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cashin of Belleville Feb. 11 at Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville. Birth weight was 7 pounds, 5

Mrs. Cashin is the former Lisa Marie Fetch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Fetch of Brick. Mr. Cashin, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Cashin of Belleville, is a truck driver.

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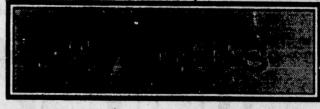
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Flea market and craft show, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Feb. 27, Nutley High School, 300 Franklin Ave. Over 100 vendors. Music Boosters fundraiser,

Flea market, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 5, 6, St. Clare's Parish Center, 69 Allwood Road, Clifton. Tables available. Early reservations suggested. Call 779-7545 or 773-2681.

Fien market and craft show, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 6, North Arlington High School, 222 Ridge Road. Over 100 vendors.

### Fundraisers...

Fish and chips dinner, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Feb. 25, Parish Hall of Grace Episcopal Church, 200 Highfield Lane, Nutley. Food, fun, fellowship, pianist Leonard Laubach. \$8.75 adults, \$5.75 12 and under. Call 235-

Second annual Irish Night, 8 p.m. Feb. 26, St. Thomas the Apostle Herron Hall, 60 Byrd St., Bloomfield. \$12.50 in advance or \$15 at the door. Corned beef and cabbage dinner, wine, beer, set-ups (BYOB), soft drinks, snacks. Irish balladeer. For tickets, call 338-4690, 338-5872 or

Barn dance, 8 to 10:30 p.m. March 5, Fewsmith Memorial Prebyterian Church social hall, 444 Union Ave., Belleville. Line, circle and square dancing. \$9. For tickets, call 759-6869.

Spring fashion show, 7:30 p.m. March 4, Nutley Elks, 242 Chestnut St. Fashions by The Dress Barn, Belleville. Small and larger sizes will be shown. \$8 includes snacks and dessert. For tickets and reservations, call Helen Carlo, 284-0134 or Bea Ucci, 661-2920. Sponsored by Elks auxil-

Support a Seminarian breakfast, 8 a.m. to 12 noon March 6, K of C Hall, Belleville. \$5 adults, \$3 kida 7-12, free for 6 and under. Lots of choices. Call Mark Adubato at 759-4712 for information.

"World on Parade" dinner fashion show, 6:30 p.m. March 9, Meadowlands Hilton, Secaucus. Sponsored by Nutley High School Class of 1994. Outfits from local merchants as well as costumes from around the world. For ticket information, call 667-0210.

Chinese auction, 7 p.m. March 11, St. John's Episcopal Church, 215 Lafayette Ave., Passaic. \$3.

Elks fundraiser, 8 p.m. March 18, 242 Chestnut St., Nutley. Entertainment by Teen Angel. Snacks, beer, soda. \$15. For tickets and reservations, call George, 748-4574."

Unique Boutique, 6:30 p.m. March 18, Branch Brook Manor, Belleville. Shopping period and full course dinner. \$25. Sponsored by Woman's Club of Belleville. For tickets, call 759-8313 or 751-4353. Vendors call above numbers.

Bus ride to Atlantic City, sponsored by Belleville Democratic Club, pril 10. \$20 includes \$10 in coins and 35 food voucher. For ticket info, call George Simon days at 751-4142 or Frank Bonavito evenings at 759-5533.

## Other events....

Nutley Little Theatre auditions, for "Emily," 7:30 p.m. March 6, 7, theater barn, 44 Erie Place. Eight men, three women plus several walk-ons for men and women in their 20s and 30s.

Free health screenings, Mantclair Community Hospital, 120 Harrison Ave. Appointments mandatory. Call 744-7300, ext. 4296, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Friday. On-site screenings at places of business available. Call Marie Oropollo at 746-4644.

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Weekly duplicate bridge games, sponsored by Bloomfield Recreation Commission, 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Fridays, Bloomfield Civic Center, 84 Broad St. Partner provided if necessary.

Amateur radio license examinations, 7 p.m. fourth Tuesdays, Bloomfield Civic Center, 84 Broad St. Walk-ins O.K. For information, contact Carl, WA2BXQ3388357.

## Meetings...

Court Gratia 751, Catholic Daughters of America, St. Mary's School Hall, Msgr. Owens Place, Nutley. Mar. 7: 8 p.m. meeting; Mar. 21 Something Special.

Belleville-Nutley Chapter of Hadassah, 10 a.m. Feb. 27, Temple B'nai Israel, 192 Centre St., Nutley. Humorous readings.

Rosary Altar Society of Holy Family Parish, 7:45 p.m. Feb. 28, St. Joseph's Cemer, Guest speaker; Fr. Paul Vinie.

Belleville AARP, I p.m. March 2, Fewsmith Memorial Presbyterian Church, 444 Union Ave. Program on Women's History Month.

Nutley AARP, 1 p.m. March 10, Parks and Recreation building, 44 Park Ave. Pizza party reservations due at this meeting. Also balance for April 20 theatre and luncheon.

Nutley Elks Auxiliary, 70th anniversary celebration, March 16. Dinner and entertainment plus honoring of past presidents.

Women's Auxiliary, Lieus Club of Nutley, seeking new members, 7 p.m. first Thursday, Meyer's Cafe, Nutley. For more information, call Betty Lazur at 667-9127 or Louise Beck at 661-2906.

Belleville Kiwanis Club, dinner meetings, 6:30 p.m. Thursdays, Bella Casa Caterers, 2 Acme St. For membership information, call Nino Bucciarelli at 751-2110 or Vinnie Sorrentino at 759-6475.

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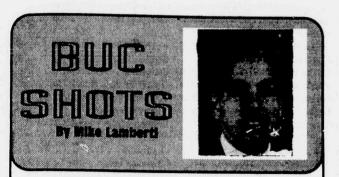
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# Belleville



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The opening tip off was somewhat prophetic. **Abdel Anderson** won the tap, and the ball ended up in the hands of **Doug Jackson**, who took off for the basket and appeared to have an easy layup.

But the ball took a crazy hop and Jackson lost control of the dribble. It ended up out of bounds and East Orange scored the first basket of the game.

Seconds later, the officials stopped the game, and the ball was replaced because it appeared to have too much air in it. The temporary delay seemed to calm down the Bellboys, who, like the ball, had too much air in them. The team was playing at a fever pitch, trying to score six points for each basket.

The fans were electric from the start. While it was a neutral court, the support was more 60-40 in Belleville's favor. East Orange jumped out to a 6-2 lead, but slowly, the Bellboys began to claw back into the game.

Joe Dunn and Pat Hogan were effective on the boards, and the backcourt of Wayne Richie and John Megna were effectively handling the East Orange press. Everyone who knew high school basketball knew that East Orange had a dominant defense and a massive, full court press that usually drove the opposition crazy. But since Belleville had played the Panthers twice during the regular season, there weren't many surprises, and East Orange seemed to have gained some respect for Belleville as the first quarter progressed.

Belleville forged its first lead, 17-16 with :32 left in the first quarter. East Orange missed its next shot and when Dunn hit a fall away jump shot as the buzzer sounded, the Bloomfield gym hit a state of euphoria. Belleville led 19-16 after one and the players were nearing a state of frenzy as they neared the bench.

Head coach Danny Grasso, a reserved, yet frenzied man, knew that calm had to remain. He told his team to settle down, to play the good half court game that, if executed properly, would wear down the Panthers.

East Orange was a great team, but they had a tendency to be impatient. And Grasso knew that if the Bellboys played within themselves, and did not try to run with the Panthers, there was a good chance that victory could be attained.

Belleville scored the first four points of the second quarter. Now, all the talk of being under control and playing within yourself sounds great on paper. But we're talking about 16 and 17 year old players, competing against the number one team in the state, with a crowd that was beginning to believe in the upset.

East Orange picked up the tempo after hitting a basket which cut the lead to 23-18. But their press didn't affect Belleville, and when the Bellboys hit their next three baskets, the gym was nearing the ballistic level.

The Bellboys led 29-18, and Grasso tried to get a time out.

"At that point, I knew our kids were really pumped up," Grasso

said after that game. "I felt it was necessary to calm them down."

But the crowd noise was all together too much at this point.

Belleville had played right into East Orange's hands, despite the

fact that the Bellboys were beating the Panthers at their own game. Belleville was now running full court with East Orange, and that would prove to be fatal. Grasso attempted to get the timeout, but his players didn't hear him. When they finally did, East Orange had run off six straight points and were within five, 29-24.

Grasso tried to get his troops to settle down, but the momentum gained by taking the 11 point lead had dissipated. The players were tired, not only physically, but emotionally. The team had played its best basketball of the season in a seven minute span, and despite that, the Panthers wouldn't go away.

The momentum continued to swing, and suddenly, you could feel the game slipping away. By halftime, East Orange had regained the lead and, despite the 36-33 score, you just felt the air had totally left the balloon.

Belleville tried to get back the momentum, but East Orange had too many guns, too many springs in the legs. The Panthers were now running at will, and by the fourth quarter, the margin was insurmountable. Belleville trailed by 21 with five minutes left, and when the final horn sounded, East Orange prevailed 85-55.

The game was actually closer than that tally. And if Grasso had gotten the timeout in the second quarter with an 11 point lead, who knows what would have happened.

The lockerroom was quiet after that game. Grasso didn't have much to say in forms of criticism. His team had met the states best, and at one point, the Bellboys held an 11 point advantage.

On February 20, 1975, Belleville had battled East Orange and, despite a great effort, fell short. The season was not over, however, since the state tournament was next on the agenda. The states would not begin until the beginning of March, so Grasso had some time to work on the teams psyche.

East Orange would go on and dominate the Essex County tournament once again. The Panthers, who were the defending champs, pounded Irvington in the second round, then overcame Barringer and Edgar Jones in the semi final round.

It set up a dream matchup for the county crown. Undefeated East Orange and undefeated Essex Catholic at Walsh Auditorium, Seton Hall University, on Saturday, March 1.

The game was a sellout four days before the tip off. It was such a popular game that Seton Hail University broadcast the game on its FM radio station. I remember listening to the game at Fairway Park, since I couldn't get a ticket.

East Orange won the game in a thriller, 92-85. The Panthers had

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## Tie St. Joe's, Paramus for NNJIL crown

## Bucs end regular season 13-2-1

By Joe Piegaro

Well, it's almost over. Three more weeks and we can all go back to being normal human beings again.

The regular season ended this past Saturday with a 35-28 loss to St. Joe's of Montvale and a 40-18 victory over Seton Hall.

Losing to St. Joe's deprived the Bucs of sole possession of the NNJIL Pacific Division championship. Now they must share the title with the Montvale parochial power and Paramus High School. All three teams finished 6-1 in the conference.

The loss to St. Joseph's was a carbon copy of every close BHS loss in the past five years. First, the bottom half of the order builds a lead. Then the top half of the line-up gives it back. This scenario has been played out so many times it's becoming a cliche.

Belleville won six of the 13 bouts, but had numerous chances to win the match and let all of them slip away.

But that's all history. The dis-

tricts are this weekend, and that's the future. Let's see what the future has in store for Belleville wrestling.

103: There are four challengers here. Nick Bellucci of Nutley, Rami Ratel of Bloomfield, Lee Kirschbaum of Livingston, and Will Jamarino of Newark Eastside will all make a run at the title. Kirschbaum has beaten Ratel, Ratel and Bellucci split a pair and Jamarino finished above all three in the counties. It's truly a crap shoot, but look for Kirschbaum and Jamarino in the finals. I really don't feel confident in picking any of these four, but based on his high finish in the counties, pick Jamarino to win the gold.

112: This is Perna domain. He'll use this as the first step in his quest for a state title. The battle here is for second place. Aaron Gilbert of Livingston and Joe Critelli of Nutley might be good choices for a silver medal. By the way, Johnny is 22-0 with 15 pins and a mere 53-1 lifetime as a varsity wrestler. How many athletes do

you know who carry a .981 winning percentage?

119: Not a bad division as far as competition goes. Belleville's Luke Cardinale has beaten the top two challengers and is the clear favorite. Nutley's Anthony Marinello has lost three times to Cardinale by scores of 13-3, 7-0, and 5-3. Eric Goodwin of Montclair was pinned by Luke in the counties, but is a real threat if he can stay off his back. Livingston's Jeremy Choa is solid, but might get lost in the shuffle. Cardinale should win it here, but watch out for Marinello!

125: Isaiah Cardinale - 23-0 Isaiah Cardinale - 18 pins Isaiah Cardinale - district champ. Any questions?

130: Our own John Spina is the favorite, but he has not been the same force recently as he was in the first half of the season. He will be pushed by Shane Bornstein of Livingston, perhaps Rocco Caputo of Montclair, and Dave Samach of Newark Academy. Spina and Samach should battle for the title

with John winning by a decision.

135: Dan Pena of Bloomfield is a clear choice in this division. Belleville's Jorge Hernandez is the returning district champ, but he is not the wrestler he was last season. They are the only two choices of note here and will meet in the finals. Hernandez is certainly capable of an upset, but based on his showings this season, and a nagging injury to his left shoulder, the choice must be Pena in a hardfought decision.

140: This is one of the more difficult divisions in District 14. There is Anthony Bellucci of Nutley, Jo Jo Miskiewicz of Bloomfield and our own Mark Bianchini. Bellucci should be the top seed as he has beaten Miskiewicz once and Bianchini twice. Miskiewicz decisioned Bianchini in the Bloomfield tournament and will probably draw second seed with our boy settling for third. Wile Mark has the tools to win this class, it is not a probable

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## Wait 'till next year! Cagers drop 3

By Mike Lamberti

If you wanted to summarize the 1993-94 boys' basketball season at Belleville High School, the final week of the season would be a nice way to start.

The Bucs dropped three games last week, falling to Clifton 58-57, St. Joe's of Maitvale, 55-49 and Glen Ridge last Saturday, 56-33.

Don Roll's team finished the season with a 6-14 record. We'll have a wrap up of the season in an upcoming issue, but if you want a quick synopsis, last week's games tell the story.

"There's nothing else to say, the season's over," Roll said after the Glen Ridge debacle. "We felt that we had a chance to win at least two games the final week of the season. And we were in a position to win both games, but when it came down to the key moments of the fourth quarter, we weren't able to convert."

True, the Bucs lost to Clifton and St. Joe's because of poor fourth quarter performances.

Against Clifton, Belleville led for the first three quarters. The Bucs held leads of 18-14 after one quarter and 29-28 at the half.

It was 42-35 after three frames, but in the fourth, Clifton began hit-

ting from three point range and a layup with :02 left in regulation time proved to be the difference as the Mustangs erased a seven point deficit and won by one.

Belleville received a balanced scoring attack. Frank Means continued his fine play of late, scoring 18 points. Dan Montalvo and Mike Molina had 11 each, Kevin Davies scored eight, Jason Albert, the Bucs leading scorer, was held to six and Michael Loney finished with three.

It was the second time this season that the Bucs lost a one point game in the closing seconds to Clifton. In late December, the Mustangs beat Belleville in the Tri County Holiday Tournament in Belleville.

Last Thursday, the Bucs lost a six point game at home to St. Joe's. Once again, Belleville led going into the fourth quarter before a St. Joe's rally left the Bucs reeling.

Belleville led 12-10 after one and 22-21 at the half. The Bucs increased its lead to 38-35 after three, but in the fourth, St. Joe's outscored Belleville 20-11 and came away with a six point win.

Roll was not very happy after the game.

"We're home, we're ahead after three quarters and we let them take the game to us in the last eight minutes," Roll said. "We make unnecessary turnovers, we let a press affect us which shouldn't have done anything to us, and we lost control of the game."

Turnovers were the story in the fourth quarter. And against a good team like St. Joe's (13-6 with the victory), too many second chance opportunities will usually result in a defeat.

Albert led the Bucs with 16 points. Molina had 12, Tyree Sumter finished with ten, Kevin Davies and Means scored four each and Montalvo had three points.

The game with Glen Ridge last Saturday was one that Roll didn't want scheduled when the season began.

"Playing a Group I school, at their place, against a senior orient-(Continued on page 13)



Mike Molina takes the ball upcourt. Bucs lost a tough game to St. Joe's last week.

## Ramirez, Curran heroics not enough

By Mike Lamberti

Despite two stalwart games from junior forward Andrea Curran, the Belleville girls' basketball team lost out-of-conference games to Paterson Kennedy 47-46 and Glen Ridge, 63-53 last week.

The two defeats conclude the

Head coach Cheryl Marion gives instruction to her team during a

'93-94 campaign for Cheryl Marion's team. The Lady Bucs finished 8-12 on the season, dropping seven of its last eight games.

We'll have a wrap up of the season in an upcoming issue. Despite hitting a slump late in

the regular season, Marion

expressed optimism with the teams progress.

"We have a good group of

"We have a good group of kids," the coach said. "I think everyone felt bad that the season had ended. It's never easy to lose, but the girls gave a good effort for most of the year and I think there's a lot of potential returning next season."

In the one point loss to Paterson Kennedy, Belleville had to rally after falling behind by a wide margin in the first half.

"We were down 18 at one stage of the first half," Marion said. "I give our kids a lot of credit. They fought back and cut it to nine at the half. By the fourth quarter, we were able to take the lead, but the same type of mistakes that have hurt us this year came back to haunt us again."

Kennedy led 11-8 after one and extended the lead to 28-10 before Belleville scored the last nine points of the first half to narrow the deficit.

The Lady Bucs closed to within five points, 38-33 after three quar-

ters, then gained its first lead, 46-45 late in regulation time.

Kennedy avoided a loss when Kisha McCollum converted two free throws with :12 left in the game.

but the girls gave a good effort for most of the year and I think there's a lot of potential returning next season."

Senior Liz Ramirez, winding down an impressive season, led all scorers with 20 points. Curran scored 15, freshman center Chrissie Scassera had nine and freshman forward Deana Addis had two.

"Liz and Curran played very well," Marion said. "But I've said

well," Marion said. "But I've said it all year long, we need consistent scoring from everyone in the starting lineup. We can't be tentative in taking shots and creating good offensive situations."

The season ended last Saturday at Glen Ridge and Marion was not pleased with the effort of the two men in stripes, namely the referees.

"I'm not one to complain about officiating," the coach said. "But you have to wonder when they (Glen Ridge) go to the line 33 times and we go there about five"

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## Belleville recreation round-up

Baseball/softball applications: The Belleville Recreation Department is proud to announce that applications for all Recreation Baseball and Softball programs are available in all public and parochial school offices and at the Recreation Department office, as of February 1, 1994.

Boys ages 8-9 can play Peanut League Baseball; 10-12 year old boys can play Junior League Baseball; and 13-15 year old boys are eligible to play Senior League Baseball. Children ages 9-12 who wish to play Little League Baseball must try out. Boys and girls ages 6-7 can sign up for Tee Ball. Girls ages 8-14 can apply for all levels of Recreational softball, including the Suburban team. Specific league structure/age breakdown for the girls' softball league will be determined after the registration deadline. In order to qualify for any league, the child must reach the minimum age before August 1, 1994 and he/she cannot exceed the maximum age by July 31, 1994.

Players applying Junior/Senior League Baseball must also try out in order to be placed on a team. Everyone who registers by the February 25 deadline will be placed on a team.

High school freshmen or J.V. team players, or Suburban League team players (7th and 8th grade) are not eligible for the Rec Leagues. All applications must be returned to the Rec House with photo copies of their birth certificates by Friday, February 25, 1994. Players trying out for the previously mentioned teams should complete Rec applications before the deadline in case they get cut.

In all cases, the applications must be completed in full and signed by a parent, and all returning players must re-apply. Applications accepted after the February 25 deadline will be considered late and will be treated accordingly. Late applications cannot be guaranteed entry into the league. The Rec House (407 Joralemon Street) hours for registration are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The office will also be open on Thursday nights, 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for registration. All children attending required practices will play in every game. Our league stresses sportsmanship, basic skills The Belleville Dept. of Recreation and Cultural Affairs is accepting registration for the pre-school play program for 4-year-old children. The program consists of games, stories, songs, art, outside play when weather permits, short rest periods and occasional holiday parties especially designed for preschool children.

A session is from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. or 12:45 to 2:45 p.m., five days a week with class limited to a maximum of 23 students in each session.

The cost of the 32 week session is \$125. The mothers of the children accepted must participate by serving one duty day about every 8 or 9 days according to a published schedule. School will begin on Monday, September 19, 1994 and will run through May 1995.

Children born between October 1989 and September 1990 who will enter kindergarten in September 1995 are eligible. Participants must be Belleville residents. Since there ar just a limited number of openings, applications will be accepted on a first come, first served basis

Children must be able to speak and understand English in order to participate. Children enrolled in the morning program can not also be in the afternoon program or vice versa. A \$25. deposit is required to hold your spot in the program.

For further information and enrollment, contact the Belleville Recreation Department at 450-3422 as soon as possible - Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Umpire's Tests: The Belleville A.S.A. Umpires' Association will be conducting the A.S.A. Softball Umpire's Test on Wednesday, April 6, 1994 at 7 p.m. at the Rec House - 407 Joralemon Street. Any adult, male or female, interested in taking the test should call the Belleville Recreation Department at 450-3422 to obtain an application for the test. There is a \$30 non-refundable exam fee that must accompany your application.

Persons who register for the test can attend the A.S.A. Softball Rules clinics, to be given on March 16, Wednesday, March 23; and Wednesday, March 30 - 7 p.m. at the Belleville Recreation Department. These clinics are designed to prepare all potential umpires for the test on April 6. The clinics will be conducted by Frank Dario and Tom Ucci, two of Belleville's most experienced umpires.

The registration deadline will be March 18. The course and test are open to all persons, 18 years of age and older. A 70 percent passing grade will be required. Successful applicants will then be qualified to umpire A.S.A. softball after paying their membership dues, and will be responsible for securing their own work assignments.

## Seven Jr. Bucs take gold

By Lou Conte

The Essex County Tournament was held at Caldwell this year. Each Essex County League Team enters their full squad for individual honors. Out of 17 weight classes there were nine Junior Bucs in the final championship round and 11 overall medalists.

The results showed the team is worth its weight in Gold. Seven Belleville wrestlers took first place honors as Essex County's best. Mike Palo (72 pounds)

Dave Haria (77 pounds)

Mike Fusco (82 pounds)

Anthony Conte (97 pounds) Frank Zarro (107 pounds) Lawrence Martin (114 pounds) Joe Spina (Super Heavyweight) Silver medalists went to first year varsity starters Anthony Mlanga (62 pounds) and Jim Smith

(67 pounds). Third place bronze

went to Mike Biase and Dan

Belleville can be very proud of this quality team. They have been undefeated for five consecutive years and have lost but one match in the last seven years. They are well-coached, disciplined and tough! Coming up is the South Plainfield Tournament, the State Qualifier and finally the State Tournament in late March.

Tournament Bantam/Midget results from the Nutley Tournament: First place champions were: Tom Henry, Lawrence Fusco, Mike Gingerelli, and Super Heavyweight John Pellow. Mike Ciccarelli took a silver medal and third place winners were Mark D'Elia, Chris Mayer and Dave Sheridan. Fourth Place finishers were Nick Pellow, Nick Parisi and Raymond Price.

Support P.O.W.'s 50/50 raffle.

## **Buc Shots**

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to rally in the last five minutes to win. I remember rooting for East Orange, since they were the team that had beaten us in the ECT.

Belleville's first round state game would be at Union on March 4. The 12-9 Bellboys against the 14-9 Union Farmers. And, the game went down to the wire. Abdel hit some key foul shots in the closing stretch and Dunn, who was playing excellent basketball the last month of the season, hit for 16 points.

Belleville won, 50-48, and would advance to the sectional semis, where it would play Montclair. The game was scheduled to be played at Linden High School on Friday, March 7.

As was the case with East Orange, Belleville had played Montclair twice in the regular season and had lost both games. The

Mounties prevailed 66-63 at Belleville and 67-60 on their home Victory was certainly attainable here, and although it was a long

season, the feeling among the players and coaches was that no one Next week, a look back at the Montclair game and a final review

of that outstanding Belleville team of 20 seasons ago Last Weeks Quiz

The Philadelphia Flyers beat the Boston Bruins in six games to

win the '74 Stanley Cup. They beat the Buffalo Sabres in six to win their second straight championship in 1975 For This Week

.Let's get into the baseball mode. The Texas Rangers are considered a favorite to win in the new baseball alignment this year. How many divisional titles have the Rangers won? Where did the team play prior to moving to Arlington, Texas in 1972? Who was the Rangers' first manager in Texas?

AND FINALLY...

We will have a story on the 1993-94 indoor track team in next week's issue. Also, the schedules for the spring sports teams will be appearing in an upcoming issue, hopefully next week. Finally, just wanted to let everyone know that things are going well for T.V. and



Coaches Lou Riccardi and Mike Conte pose with members of the champion Jr. Buc wrestling squad.

## Rec League to change format

In an effort to provide recreation baseball for boys beyond the age of 15, the Belleville Baseball Commission and the Belleville Recreation Department have announced the restructuring of the Senior/Intermediate baseball pro-

Under the new format, and depending on the number of applicants received for the Senior League, the Senior and Intermediate Leagues will be separated into two leagues. The Intermediate will include boys between the ages of 13-14. The Senior League will be expanded to

include boys between the ages of

Intermediate League players cannot exceed the age of 14 as, of 8/1/94. Senior League players can not exceed the age of 16 as of 8/1/94. Players must be township residents and new applicants must show an original birth certificate. All returning players who participated in the Intermediate/Senior League in 1993 must reapply.

If there is insufficient Senior League applicants to restructure the program, the Intermediate/Senior League will continue in its current

Applications can be completed at the Recreation Department. The current application for the Intermediate/Senior League can be utilized.

Contact Lou Pllante (751-4292) Bruce Morgan (450-8540) or the Recreation Department for further information.

## **Crew row-a-thon coming**

On Friday, March 4, at 3 p.m. Philadelphia and Poughkeepsie, thru Saturday, March 5, at noon the N.Y. When the team is in full-Belleville High School crew team swing, they practice six days a will hold its sixth annual row a thon in the high school gym.

The purpose of the row a thon is to raise money for equipment and supplies. The team members are given pledge sheets and ask family and friends for donations, or so much money per mile the team or the individual rower rows. As a team, they row over 500 miles. noon. If anyone can't make the The rowing is done on ergometers row a thon and would like to make (also called ergs), which are rowing machines, with a rolling seat or slide-like seat in the crew shell.

The young men and ladies of Belleville crew team are very hard working and dedicated. They compete with teams from Canada,

week and race on the seventh day. They have one race at home, which will be on the Passaic River, in

The public is invited to see the team in action and meet the coaches Friday from 3 p.m. until 9 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. until a donation, they can send it to Mrs. Mary O'Connell, c/o Belleville Crew Parents, Belleville High School, 100 Passaic Ave., Belleville, NJ 07109. Checks should be made payable to: Belleville Crew Parents.

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7:30 p.m. Caring and Sharing 8:00 p.m. Film Flicks and Video Pix - Reviews of Films and Videos.

8:30 p.m. Middle Eastern TV Program for the Middle Eastern

10:00 p.m. The Uncle Floyd Show - Zany comedy with Uncle Floyd.

10:30 p.m. SPECIAL PROGRAM 11:00 p.m. Video Spotlight.

## FRIDAY

5:00 p.m. It's in the Stars (Repeat of Tuesday's Show) 6:00 p.m. Sudzin Country Videos 7:00 p.m. Film Flicks & Video Pixs 7:30 p.m. SPECIAL PROGRAM

8:00 p.m. Front Page Edition 8:30 p.m. The Final Score 9:00 p.m. SPECIAL PROGRAM 10 p.m. The Uncle Floyd Show 10:30 p.m. Look & Live Today

## SATURDAY

10:30 a.m. Front Page Edition: 11 a.m. The Theresa Nance Show 11:30 a.m. Inside Education 12 noon The Final Score 12:30 p.m. OBC Newsbreak 6:30 p.m. The Mark Dacey Show. Interviews and acoustic performances by area musicians. 7:00 p.m. Jersey Spotlight 7:30 p.m. Special Program 10:00 p.m. Uncle Floyd Show 11:00 p.m. After Hours

## SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Look & Live Today 9:00 a.m. Ambassador of Grace Ministry

10:30 a.m. Essex Digest

11:00 a.m. The Final Score 11:30 a.m. Health Issues. Interviews with area health profes-

sionals. 12 Noon. Front Page Edition 12:30 p.m. OBC Newsbreak 4:00 p.m. After Hours

5:00 p.m. Bringing Italy to You 6:00 p.m. SPECIAL PROGRAM 6:30 p.m. Jersey Spotlight 7:00 p.m. Zorel (repeat)

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## MONDAY

6:30 p.m. Jersey Spotlight 7:00 p.m. Mark Dacey Show 7:30 p.m. Zorel Live! 8:30 p.m. Health Issues

9:00 p.m. Front Page Edition 9:30 p.m. Film Flicks & Video 10:00 p.m. Uncle Floyd Show

## **TUESDAY**

7:00 p.m. Inside Education 7:30 p.m. Power Play Country 8:30p.m. SPECIAL PROGRAM 9:00 p.m. It's In The Stars. Live. 10:00 p.m. Uncle Floyd Show 10:30 p.m. Look & Live Today

## WEDNESDAY

7:00 p.m. The Mark Dacey Show 7:30 p.m. Ambassador of Grace 8:00 p.m. Mondo Italiano 9:00 p.m. Bringing Italy to You 10:00 p.m. Uncle Floyd Show 10:30 p.m. Meadowlands Show-

## Bucs finish year 6-14

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ed team, is something I didn't want to do at the start of the season," the coach said. "It was one of those games I felt we didn't need to

Glen Ridge, heading for the Group I playoffs, played a solid game. The Ridgers, who have good size on the front line, dominated from the outset. They led 15-9 after one and 26-17 at the break. In the third quarter, Glen Ridge put the game away, outscoring the Bucs

The fourth quarter was a littler closer, with Glen Ridge outscoring Belleville 13-11 and winning by a very comfortable margin.

Albert led the Bucs with 14 points. Davies had six, Loney scored four, Molina and Means finished with three each, Dan Sanzone had two and Dennis Capriglione closed out the scoring with one

"We'll have a meeting next week to talk about next season," Roll said. "There had better be some players who are ready to make some serious commitments to this program. It's time to evaluate where we want to go, and which kids will be going there."

NOTES: In the Essex County Tournament, Irvington and Clifford Scott will meet for the championship for the second straight year. Irvington beat WestSide in the semis and Scott blitzed Orange in the second half to win by a surprising 21 points.

The last time there was a rematch in the ECT finals was in 1989 and '90, when Scott and Shabazz met. Scott won in '89 and Shabazz took the '90 crown. Prior to that, Bloomfield and East Orange met for the '76 and '77 titles, with East Orange winning both times. Since 1984, this is Scott's sixth appearance in the finals. It is also their fifth appearance in the finals in the last six

Scott has won the title in 1984 and '89. They lost in '90 (Shabazz), '91 (Seton Hall Prep) and last year to Irvington. Once again, the ECT finals will be held at Essex County College.

Irvington will be seeking its third straight county championship. The last time that happened in Essex County was in 1974-77, when East Orange captured four straight championships, beating Orange, Essex Catholic and Bloomfield (twice) in the finals.

Teams that have won two straight tourneys over the past 20 years are Valley ('78 and '79), Montclair ('82 and '83), East Orange (86 and '87) and Irvington.

## Wrestlers set sights on districts

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choice to be made. Let's go with Bellucci for the gold and Bianchini upsetting Miskiewicz for second

145: Belleville's Joe McNish is the strong favorite in this class. Joe is 22-1 and is situated in a relatively weak division. Challenges will come from Montclair's Pierre Falaise (whom he has beaten twice) and maybe Derek Lane of Weequahic if Lane is still on the team by then. Bloomfield's Sam Nunez and Nutley's Derrick Chell could sneak in for a medal if the seeds fall right.

152: This shapes up as a twoman race between Pete Foster of Bloomfield and Nick Mondelli of Livingston. Foster scored a 12-8 decision over Mondelli just last week and is the early choice to take the gold. Montclair's Craig Tracey has bounced between 152 and 160 all year. He's a tough kid, but will probably do no better than third in either division.

160: The strongest field in District 14. John Yanuzzelli of Nutley, Dan Gray of Bloomfield, Belleville's Aris Cruz and maybe Craig Tracey of Montclair. Cruz has been the hero of the upper weights for the Bucs this year, but, by his own admission, is not a tournament wrestler. Gray beat Yanuzzelli by a point last week, but the Nutley whiz beat up on Gray in the counties. Look for Yanuzzelli to take the rubber match from Gray for the title and Cruz to sneak in for

171: This is a weight class where any choice would be an

uncomfortable one. Bloomfield's Vic Mesce won the counties, but is erratic beyond explanation. Luke Schiavone is probably the most talented kid in the field, but the Montclair junior is poorly conditioned and runs out of gas consistently in the third period. Tommy May of Weequahic has wrestled the tougher schools, but picking someone from Weequahic to win the districts gives me the willies. And Nick Contursa of Nutley is still too young to be a serious contender. The very, very shaky pick is Mesce over Schiavone in the finals. Or should I change it to Schiavone over Mesce? Ah, rats! Let's leave it the way it is.

189: Three decent kids in this class, Greg Paul of Montclair, John Clark of Livingston and Dan Kent of Bloomfield. Paul is the favorite, but he, like Schiavone, is not a really well conditioned wrestler. Clark could give him a tussle if Paul

junior should still come out on top.

275: Another lottery here to pick the winner as all three challengers are pretty close in talent. David Lee of Newark Academy has the best record but has build it on some weak competition. Montclair's Paul Willis is the most talented, but he sometimes looks less than highly motivated. Carmen LoRe has a heart as big as a mountain, but he gives away a lot in size and weight. Any of the three could win this thing, but let's go with a hunch and pick Willis over LoRe in the finals.

The team trophy for this year's districts will go to Belleville over Bloomfield, depending on which team does better in the third and fourth place wrestlebacks. Nutley and Livingston have some good individuals, but will battle each other for third place.

Buc Notes: Final Wrestler of the Week goes to Aris Cruz. He moved up to 171 against Roxbury and St. Joe's and pinned both times under incredible pressure. He has carried the upper weights all season singlehandedly and deserves a pat on the back for a magnificent effort.

Isaiah Cardinale now has 81

doesn't shape up, but the Montclair career wins, only two away from tying Dom Cerreto for seventh place, all-time. Isaiah also has 49 lifetime pins, fourth on the lifetime

honor roll. Johnny Perna, now with 53 wins and 35 pins lifetime, has broken into the clite lists. He is #20 in wins and tied with Carlo Ritacco

With this year's 13-2-1 record, coach Joe Nisivoccia now owns a 112-23-1 log as head man at BHS

and brother Ralph for spot #10 in

Many thanks to Kim Sweetman for doing such a great job on the

scorebook this season, All Alone!! You know, Vinnie Russo, in addition to being a fine referee, is

not really a bad guy! See ya next week!

## **Sound Bites**

"I could never play in New York. The first time I came into a game there, I got into the builpen car and they told me to lock the doors." -Mike Flanagan, pitcher.

"If the Superbowl was the ultimate game, they wouldn't be playing it again next year." — Duane Thomas, former Dallas Cowboy.

## Officials dominate at G.R.

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"Three of our starters (Curran, point guard Maria Acuna and Scassera) foul out, and those three aren't exactly our most aggressive players who pick up a lot of fouls. They usually play a very smart game."

Marion did give credit to a good Glen Ridge team, which shot very well from the field.

"They hit their shots, especially from the foul line," the coach said. "The few times we got to the foul line, we didn't convert like we should have."

Glen Ridge hit 27 foul shots while Belleville converted three.

"It was a nightmare," Marion said.

The game was pretty close until Glen Ridge broke it open in the third quarter. Glen Ridge led 14-11 after one, but Belleville came back to tie it at 29 by the half. The Lady Bucs actually led, 29-27 with, supposedly, one second left in the half.

Glen Ridge set up an inbounds pass. The ball was thrown in. A Glen Ridge player caught the ball, set up and took a shot. How all of this happened in one second is beyond belief, but the shot was converted and Glen Ridge tied the game at the half.

In the third quarter, the home team outscored the Lady Bucs, 19-6 and, in essence, put the game away. Belleville did rally in the last

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eight minutes to cut the final deficit to ten points.

Curran scored a season high 18 points and led the Belleville attack. Playing in her final varsity game,

Ramirez had 15, Addis scored seven, Scassera tallied six, Acuna finished with five and Kim Mahoney scored two.

NOTES: In the Essex County tournament, two time defending champ Clifford Scott eliminated Nutley with a furious fourth quarter rally. Scott will look for its third straight crown this Saturday at Essex County College when it plays Mt. St. Dominic.

Only one team, Shabazz, has won the title more than twice in a row. Shabazz won four straight titles from 1982-85. This is Scott's fourth straight year in the final. It is also their seventh appearance in the championship game. Scott won the crown in '81, then lost in the '82 and '83 finals. After an eight year hiatus. Scott returned to the finals in '91, losing to Shabazz. The Scotties then won the last two

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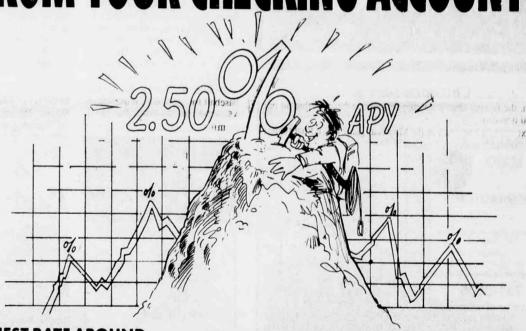
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## Joyce Schenck, 63 **Nurse and Activist**

died on Wednesday, February 9 at East Orange General Hospital.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Schenck lived in Belleville for many years.

She was Home Care Nurse for the family of United States Senator Frank A. Lautenberg for four years until her retirement in 1990. Previously, she was employed by CHR-III, a home care facility in Montclair for five years.

Mrs. Schenck was a member of the Belleville Democratic Club, the Ladies Auxiliary of the Younginger-Alden Post 275 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Belleville and the Senior Supper Club of East Orange.

She was a member of the Park

Joyce Schenck, 63, of Belleville Avenue Christian Church of East Orange, the Christian Women's Fellowship Group, the Pastor's Vacation Club and the Hospitality Committee. Mrs. Schenck was Chairperson of the Flower Guild and Deaconess of the Church.

Surviving are her daughters. Mrs. Sandra Anthony and Wanda, four grandchildren and five greatgrandchildren.

A Funeral Service was held on Saturday, February 12 with the Reverend Raiford Wheeler, Pastor of the Park Avenue Christian Church, officiating

Funeral arrangements were by the Kiernan Funeral Home of

## Florence Masucci, 78 in Senior Citizens Club

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Mrs. Florence Masucci, 78, of Belleville died on Tuesday, February 8 at Clara Maass Medical Center in Belleville

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She was a member of St. Peter's Senior Citizens Club and the Belleville Senior Citizens Club.

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## Harry Intveldt, 86 retired Carpenter

Bloomfield, died on Wednesday, February 9 at Mountainside Hospital in Glen Ridge.

Born in the Netherlands, Mr. Intveldt lived in Belleville before moving to Bloomfield in 1975.

He was Carpenter with the Essex County Carpenters Union, Local 1342 in Bloomfield for 17 Lawson of Belleville officiating.

Surviving are his wife, Dorothy; his daughter, Mrs. Jane Ellis; his son, William, five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

The Funeral Service was held on Saturday, February 12 at the Kiernan Funeral Home in Belleville, with Chaplain Harold B.

## Jennie Sesta, 80

Mrs. Jennie Sesta, 80, of Nutley. Belleville died Feb. 15 in the Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville.

A Mass was offered Feb. 18 in Holy Family Church, Nutley, following the funeral from Harrison-Pucci Funeral Home, Nutley.

Mrs. Sesta was a member of the Rosary Society of Holy Family Church, the Ladies' Auxiliary of Amvets Post 30 and the Catholic Daughters of America, all of

Born in Valhalla, N.Y., she lived in Newark for 60 years before moving to Belleville 13 years ago.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Jeaneen M. Coolbroth; two sons, Thomas A. and Dr. John A.; two sisters, Mrs. Fay Fucoli and Mrs. Virginia Malgeri; a brother, Carmen Lo Biondo, and six grand-

## Marie Walsh, 71

A Mass for Mrs. Marie Walsh, 74, a lifelong resident of Belleville, was offered Feb. 23 in St. Anthony's Church, Belleville, The funeral was from the LaMonica Memorial Home, Bloomfield.

Mrs. Walsh, who died Feb. 18 in her home, had been a nurse's aide in the Essex County Geriatric Center in Belleville from 1969 until her retirement in 1988.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Maureen Borkowski, Mrs. Eileen Smith, Mrs. Kathleen Alberts and Mrs. Patricia Sheridan; a sister, Mrs. Josephine Pace; 10 grandchildren great-grandchild.

## Rocco D'Antonio, 85

A Mass for Rocco D'Antonio, 85, of Belleville was offered Feb. 23 in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Orange, after the funeral from the

Paul Ippolito Memorial, Orange. Mr. D'Antonio, who died Feb. 18 in the Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville, worked for the Walter Kidde Co., Belleville, for 25 years before retiring 20 years ago.

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He was a member of the Holy Name Society and the Usher's Society, both of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church.

Born in Jersey City, he lived in Orange before moving to Belleville 25 years ago.

Surviving are his wife, Rose; two daughters, Mrs. Amelia Kassing and Mrs. Lucyann Jewel; a son, Edward; 11 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

## Anna **Taglialatela**

Mrs. Anna Taglialatela of Belleville died Feb. 18 in the Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville.

A Mass was offered Feb. 15 in St. Anthony's Church, Belleville, after the funeral from the LaMonica Memorial Home, Bloomfield. Born in Italy, Mrs. Taglialatela

lived in Newark before moving to Belleville in 1927.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Clara Matera, Mrs. Ervia DeLuca and Mrs. Phyllis Santiglia; a sister, Mrs. Maria DeRosa; six grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

## Harriet Gross, 74

74, of Newark were held Feb. 26 in the Irvine-Cozzarelli Memorial Home, Belleville.

Mrs. Gross, who died Feb. 17 in her home, was a member of the Newark Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons.

Born in Jersey City, she moved to Newark 55 years ago.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Patricia Yskamp and Mrs. Linda Rodriguez; a son, Richard; a sister, Mrs. Ethel Van Horn; six grandchildren and great-grandchild.

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## Thomas Dunleavy, 78, Belleville policeman

leville died Feb. 19 in his home.

A Mass was offered Feb. 23 in St. Peter's Church, Belleville, after the funeral from the Kiernan Funeral Home, Belleville.

Mr. Dunleavy was a police officer for the town of Belleville for 30 years, retiring 20 years ago. He belonged to the Police Benevolent

Thomas J. Dunleavy, 78, of Bel. Association Local 29 of Belleville. He served in the Coast Guard during World War II.

Born in Belleville, he lived in Florida before returning to Belleville four years ago.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Maureen Hoehe; three sons, Michael, Timothy and Patrick, and eight grandchildren.

## Hyo Chun Pak, 65

Services for Hyo Chun Pak, 65, of Iselin were held Feb. 23 in the Wesley United Methodist Church, Belleville, after the funeral from the Irvine-Cozzarelli Memorial Home, Belleville.
Mr. Pak died Feb. 17 in Univers-

ity Hospital, Newark. He was employed with Lewis

Management, a food service company at the Fort Sill U.S. Army Base in Lawton, Okla., for 16 years, retiring in 1981. Before that, he was vice president of the loan department at Bank Dong A in Korea for

He was a member of the American Association of Retired Persons of Lawton.

Born in Poyongnam-do, Korea, he lived in Oklahoma before moving to Iselin in 1993.

Surviving are his wife, Song Ye; two sons, Kwang Chol and Kwang Nam; three daughters, Mrs. Kwang Jui Shrewsberry, Mrs. Kyong Hui Anderson and Miss Kwang Kil; two brothers, Ki Chun and Chang Chun, and eight grandchildren.

## Arthur Howard, 80

A Mass for Arthur J. Howard, 80, of Philadelphia, who had been an executive with the Lincoln Center, was held Feb. 21 in the Corpus Christi Church, Chatham. Arrangements were by the Wm. A. Bradley & Son Funeral Home, Chatham.

Mr. Howard died Feb. 18 in the Lankanau Hospital, Philadelphia.

He was director of general services for the Lincoln Center, New York, for 17 years before retiring in

for U.S. Steel in New York City.

Mr. Howard attended the Pratt Institute in Brooklyn.

Born in Hudson-on-the-Hastings, N.Y., he lived in Chatham before moving to Pennsylvania four years ago.

Surviving are his wife, Maxine; a daughter, Mrs. Nancy Arias; a son, Arthur J.; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

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## All About Whales



Most people are big on whales. You can be a big expert. Study this page and then ask a partner or a parent to interview you by reading these questions. See how much you both learn.



A mother killer whale nurses her calf.

Q: Whales are animals that live in the sea. They are mammals. So are we. What are four things that set mammals apart from other animals?

A: Mammals ...

Whale temp .: 968

· are warm-blooded, with a body temperature about the same as ours. The whale's blubber, or

fat, keeps it warm.

- · have lungs and breathe air.
- · give birth to live young that drink their mother's milk
- · have hair somewhere at some time on their bodies.

Look through your paper for people you would like to interview. Make a list of questions to ask.



Q: Whales belong to a group scientists call "cetaceans" (seh-TAYshunz). There are about 76 different species. What do you know about the two different types of whales?



A trainer at See World in Orlando, Fla., shows us the teeth of a killer whale, which number 48. These intelligent whales are easy to train.

A: 1. Toothed whales ...

- · have from 1 to 240 teeth. Some of them might be hidden in their gums. They eat fish and small sea mammals. Like all whales, they swallow their food whole.
  - · have one blowhole.
- Dolphins and porpoises are toothed



The sperm whale is the largest toothed whale. It can weigh 60 tons and be 60 feet long. Its 20-pound brain is the largest in



The right whale has about 600 baleer plates that are about 7 feet long. This whale is about 50 feet long and can weigh

- 2. Baleen whales, or toothless whales ...
- · have rows of baleen hanging from their upper jaws. It looks like stiff hair and feels like fingernails. These strips (called plates) act as strainers. When baleen whales close their mouths, out goes the water, in stays whale foodsmall sea animals called zooplankton.
- can go for months without eating. Many travel to the polar waters, where they eat a lot during the summer. During the winter, they usually live off the thick blubber, or fat, they build up.
  - · have two blowholes.
- are slower than toothed whales.
- They can travel about 4 miles an hour.
- Some are the largest creatures on earth.



The blue whale is the largest of all animals. It has about 800 baleen strips. Some blue whales measure more than 100 feet long

## MIGHTY Mimi Jokes OSTRICH STAND ON ONE LEG? DECAUSE HE WAS TIRED OF STANDING ON THE OTHER LEGI (sent in by Mia Stallion) Q: If you had a dalmatian, what would you do with it? A: Use it for a dot-to-dot model!

Rookie Cookie's Recipe

of pie? A: Your teeth!

Q: What is the best thing to put in a piece

(sent in by Nikki Tuckerman)

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**Super Sloppy Joes** 

- You'll need:
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1. Place onion and ground beef in a large, microwave-safe bowl. Mix

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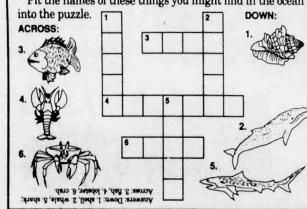
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## **Gray Whale Watching**

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**FIND** Words about whales are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: WHALE, OCEAN, SWIM, SPOUT, FIN, FLIPPER, BLUE, MAMMAL, TAIL, PEACEFUL, KILLER, PACKS, HUNT, BLUBBER, GRAY, BLOWHOLE, BIG, TEETH, CALF, MIGRATE OAWFYARGMMIWSMP HCCHLELOHWOLBIE WHALES! EUENAITVBIGMBGA ECALFLRC GPBTNGEPEJNPUAE ETQCET ERELLIKRHHKEU NPACKSKTUOPSL



Gray whale parts Flukes-**Flippers** 

A gray whale mother (cow) and her baby (calf). The father is called a bull. Like mos other whales, gray whale cows have one calf about every two years. Gray whale calves weigh about 1,500 pounds and are about 15 feet long at birth.

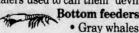
## Gray whale facts

The comeback whales!

 The gray whale has just been taken off the endangered species list. Experts think that the numbers have increased to more than 20,000.

Gray moms

• In the whaling days, gray whale cows fiercely protected their young. They became so threatening if ships got between them and their babies that whalers used to call them "devilfish."



· Gray whales are different from other whales in that they are bottom feeders. They eat tiny, shrimplike creatures called amphipods. They usually do not feed during their long migrations or while they are in lagoons.

 Gray whales can grow to be 50 feet long and weigh 45 tons. Gray spouts



\* The gray whale's spout shoots up about 13 feet. It is usually heart-shaped. The spout shoots up from two blowholes connected right to the whale's lungs

When migrating, the gray whale has a special breathing pattern. It blows three to four times at about 60-second intervals. Then it takes a long dive for three to five minutes.

Spouts (or blows) happen when whales breathe out a mixture of warm air, mucus, water and oil droplets. Each whale type has its own special spout

## Off the California coast

Gray whales make one of the longest migrations of any mammal. Their round trip can cover up to 14,000

miles. They travel 115 miles a day. Their southern migration takes them along the California coast from November through February. They



Sometimes from land you can see gray whales migrating. For a closer look, whale-watching boats take people out to sea. THERE SHE



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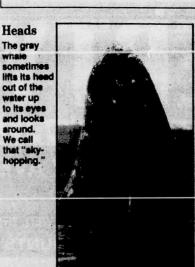
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Gray whales spend the summer in the arctic waters off Alaska. On their southern migration, they pass along the California coast.

They are on their way to the shallow, warm-water lagoons (inlets) along the coast of Baja (Ba-ha), a part of Mexico. It is here that they mate and give birth.

They then return north, back to the arctic waters for the summer months.

Watching in lagoons



might go to a special lagoon in Mexico called San Ignacio (Igg-NACH-E-o). There they can do more than watch. From small boats, they can even reach out and touch the whales. Gray whales often have barnacles attached to their skin.





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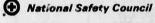
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