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Budget blasting blizzards busting Belleville



JUST FINISHED-Charles Estowich stands behind his stationwagon on Union Avenue in Belleville. Tucked in his arm is Blackie.

Belleville, and other northern New Jersey communities, already straining under 14 serious snow storms this winter, took yet another blow this past week when the area was visited by heavy snow laced over with sleet and freezing rain.

"That was the 15th storm this year," said Township Manager Stephen Cuccio, leaning back in his stuffed chair, "and I'm just estimating now, but the cost for overtime before this one comes to around \$8,000. At time-and-a-half that amounts to \$20 per hour."

Normally the township uses around 200 tons of rocksalt per year, Cuccio said, "but for the storms in question, I've used 1,200 tons and the winter isn't over."

Fortunately, the cost of the salt also goes outside the CAPS. Even so, Cuccio estimates that the cost of overtime and rocksalt will come to about \$150,000.

"We pay \$39 per ton delivered, but when we were critically short," Cuccio said pointing to an 8" by 4" chunk near the window. "That was about twice that size, and we told them to take it back, we use only crystals and they said keep it without charge."

"Some of it we had the men grind up by running over it with heavy machinery," Cuccio added.

Though there were only three to four inches in most

places, the added rain and freezing temperatures packed down the accumulation and added weight to the mix making shoveling a difficult task.

According to Fire Chief Richard Triano, there were nine motor vehicle accidents between late March 2 and late March 3, but the records did not stipulate how many were storm related.

Flights at Newark International Airport were delayed for less than an hour, but runways were closed on a rotating basis so snow could be removed.

Trains and buses ran close to schedule, said NJ Transit spokesman Armando Arrasita.

Tom Mazza of the National Weather Service said most people were surprised by the strength of the storm.

In actual fact it approached the severity of the December 1992 storm, but did not attain the ferocity of the March 1993 blizzard.

High winds tore down some power lines, and caused scattered outages throughout Wednesday afternoon.

Meteorologist Christa Tucker with the National Weather Service at Newark International Airport said about an inch of snow fell by 8 p.m. Wednesday night.

Parents clash with school board over extended year

By Richard Dickon

The Board of Education voted unanimously Monday night to extend the school year through June 30, including half-day sessions on June 24 and June 27-30.

Parents and other residents called for schools to open during the April 25-27 Spring break, while senior high school students said they were pleased that the Project Graduation cruise had been rescheduled for June 30, from midnight to 4 a.m.

School personnel and school board officials negotiated the compromise that will add half-day sessions. The change became necessary after the district lost nine school days to winter storms.

Superintendent of Schools Michael A. Lally announced the recommendations, and he and board members called the plan a fair compromise.

Parent Mary Wilson disagreed. "It is the most unproductive way to extend the school year, to have half days so seniors, and teachers, can go on a cruise." He (Lally) is serving his own agenda -- the teacher's union," she said, "What's in the best interests of the students is going to school in April," she said.

Lally quoted statistics he said were garnered from a survey given to students and teachers that said 25 percent of the professional staff and 14.3 percent of the student population would not be in attendance April 25-29.

"This is not productive," Lally said, "I don't believe there is a best solution. We gave the least disruptive solution."

The addition of even one more snow day would call the April break into question, Lally said.

Some residents challenged the survey numbers, complaining that

the results were not available to the public. Wilson said her child's school would have a 95 percent student attendance during Spring break.

Vincent Frantantoni, president of the Concerned Citizens of Belleville, blasted the board's contention that half days were necessary because of hot temperatures at the end of June.

"In the real world, students will have to perform in subzero temperatures and in 100 degree weather," Frantantoni said, adding that the board should add the words "for the children" to the district's motto "Good Things Happen In Belleville Schools."

Board President Gabe Nazzola said the plan served "the greater good" of the district's 3902 students.

Resident Edith DeFeo's comment during the public portion of the meeting was echoed by most

who spoke. "Everybody's using the children as an excuse and it is the teachers who are benefiting from it," she said.

Senior student Susanna Toemer thanked the school board for "allowing our voices to be heard, not ignored." She called the plan "the most reasonable compromise." Other seniors in attendance expressed similar opinions.

The students' input was commended by trustee John Notari. "It was good to see students come out for something they believe in. Please continue to come out in the future with any concerns," he said.

Board members spoke almost unanimously in favor of the plan, with only Barbara Cicalese saying she had reservations because of "the liability and the extra responsibility" caused by extending the school year.

She thanked the Wayne Valley school district for giving up June

30 and sharing their cruise with the Metuchen school district. "The kids come out a winner, that's the important thing," she said.

Trustee Angelina M. Paserchia agreed. "My only concern in all of this was the children. Kids, enjoy,"

she said.

Trustee Ralph Mazzuca called the plan "equitable for everyone." Dr. Anthony D'Agostino said he wanted "to commend those who were most active."

Ambulance Service outlines a new privatized program



TOWN COUNCIL-listens to privatized ambulance proposal outlined by officials from the Gem Ambulance Service.

A private ambulance firm Monday evening explained to the Township Council a proposal to replace the Fire Department Rescue Squad.

Mark Radzyner, president of the Gem Ambulance Service of Clifton and Jacob Guz, a company representative, proposed the township pay the Clifton firm \$215,000 a year for one ambulance and two EMT squad members per shift. The service would also bill the victim's insurance company \$180 plus \$6.25 per mile. The ambulance service would also bill Medicare and Medicaid when appropriate, and the indigent would not be billed, said Guz.

Radzyner said experience has shown that between 40 and 50 percent of the victims have insurance and roughly 5 percent cannot be collected from.

If town officials wanted two ambulances available, the cost would be about \$430,000, Guz said.

"Ordinarily, we are dispatched out of one location (Clifton), said Guz, "but in the case of Belleville, we would be based here. Either the town would provide a location or

we would come up with an alternative."

According to Deputy Chief Robert Caruso, the fire department ambulance service logged 3,646 runs in 1993. Of these, 2,819 were emergency calls, 267 fire runs and 560 were service runs.

And out of the total, there were 190 mutual aid calls. The department responded to 67 such calls.

"We would go where your dispatcher sends us," Guz said.

The idea for a privatized ambulance service has been discussed for some time, said Councilman Dr. Frank Noonan, who initiated the proposal.

If some form of privatized service is adopted, the township would not replace the two ambulances they bonded for last week, officials said. More saving would come from a reduced number of fire personnel needed, Noonan said.

"It might mean six or eight firemen, and that could save some \$300,000 a year, Noonan said.

According to Guz, the firm has 18 ambulances and employs between 75 and 80 people.

Town piles on recyclables

Leaning backward behind the long brown table that serves as his desk, Vincent Voltaggio, Belleville's Recycling Coordinator, explained why he thought the township was making progress in its efforts to meet state recycling standards.

Eventually, those standards will require the town to recycle 60 percent of the waste stream.

"We went from 1,435 tons in 1991 to about 16,000 tons in 1992," he said, sweeping his arm across the array of reports, charts and spread sheets.

"And that's next, right now we're starting an office paper recycling program. We'll have special boxes to be put in town offices and schools."

Also on the agenda, are larger boxes for cans and bottles, Cuccio said. "We are also working with Seymour Grossman at the schools on a recycling curriculum. We're also adding a coloring book for the younger children."

The 1992 breakdown comes to 12,459.28 tons of county, township, and non-profit material while 3,613.52 tons were extracted from commercial enterprises.

At present the township is recycling 18 different items from newspaper to wood.

Last year, there were 1,305.41 tons of newspaper recycled, Voltaggio said.

"That's how you figure these things, like your taxes, you're a year behind."

"We expect to do better because our recycling has improved dramatically, and out pick-up and tipping should be less, said Stephen Cuccio, the township manager.

Leaves, cans, and plastics are also being recycled.

One of the things Voltaggio takes special pride in is the Recycling Calendar the township

was able to distribute late last year.

The calendar, which divides the township into six zones, informs the homeowner about the dates he should leave recyclable material on the curb.

But in addition to that, it explains how to package the various items to be recycled.

"The calendar helps people understand what is recyclable, what's acceptable, when leaves are picked up, and what can be taken to town. It's an overview of what you have to know," he said.

And that is necessary because the law states you can't have recyclables in the waste stream.

NJ Transit officials hear comments on rail link plans

By Steve Galvacky

NJ Transit officials on Tuesday heard local residents voice concerns about traffic, noise and litter related to the proposed Newark-Elizabeth light rail link, but those speaking also said they saw benefits in a plan to terminate the line in the Bloomfield-Belleville area.

Commuters, businesspersons and concerned citizens met NJT officials at a workshop on Tuesday at Essex County Vocational School's Bloomfield campus to review its plans. NJT has proposed

an extension of the Newark City Subway approximately 400 feet to the abandoned Orange Line railroad bed, then continuing the link about one mile west to the Bloomfield Avenue area of Bloomfield, where a rail vehicle service facility would be located.

Joseph Fornarotto, a former Belleville township commissioner, said that he believed that automobile traffic on adjacent roads could pose a problem for the commuter line, which would cross several roads in the Silver Lake area of the

township.

"You'll have bumper-to-bumper traffic on Belmont Avenue from Heller Parkway to Grove Street every day at rush hour," Fornarotto said. "You have it now. NJ Transit will have to deal with that."

However, Fornarotto also said that having a rail station there would be "very good" for the Belleville-Bloomfield area, and complimented NJT for its attractive designs for stations. "This link would allow people going to Newark Airport to take the train,"

he said. "Right now, taking a car to Newark Airport is a disaster."

He also said that construction and operation of the vehicle service facility would bring jobs to the area.

Larry Walsh, chairman of the Silver Lake Partnership, suggested two alternative routes that he said would avoid the congestion of Belmont and Franklin avenues.

"We hope to eventually get Belmont widened and attract some

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Raphael Rudd in concert

Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center presents Raphael Rudd, internationally acclaimed composer for the harp and piano, in concert Friday, March 25, 7 p.m. This is Rudd's final East Coast performance before he moves west to compose and perform for film. Rudd's compositions for harp and piano transcend the barriers between pop, jazz, classical and new age music.

Among other credits, he arranged and conducted the London Symphony Orchestra for the Who's Quadrophenia album. Rudd is a Nutley resident and a Bloomfield favorite.

Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors and students. Reservations are required for this popular concert. For more information call 429-0960.



Nutley native, Raphael Rudd will be in concert at the Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center 7 p.m., March 25.

Local Marine completes course

Marine Pfc. Donald J. Wilmot, whose wife, Amy, is the daughter of Tom and Lucia Lynch of Belleville, recently completed the Marine Administrative Clerk Course.

During the course at Marine Corps Service Support Schools,

Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C., students are provided with the basic skills and knowledge required to perform the job of administrative clerk.

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Wilmot joined the Marine Corps in April 1993.

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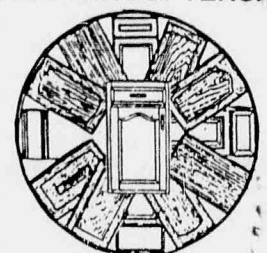
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region over the next few years. The low-emission vehicle has additional equipment that further reduces tailpipe emissions of pollutants.

■ When shopping for a new car, check the poster, fuel-efficiency rating. Your gas money goes further with increased fuel economy, and fuel-efficient cars

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Belleville Senior News

By Joe Restaino

On Tues., Feb. 22, Sheriff Armando Fontoura appeared at the senior citizen center before approximately 250 seniors to warn them of the dangers at the shopping malls. He stated that carrying large sums in your bag or wallet is very dangerous. Also wearing valuable jewelry may lead to dangerous situations. It is better not to go out alone especially at night. He stated to be aware of persons bumping into you because they do that so they can steal your valuables. Thank you Sheriff for a very informative talk.

Also in the AARP paper an article stated that con men are targeting senior citizens because they are very gullible. Don't give your credit card number to anyone especially someone who calls to tell you that you won a prize and you must pay shipping charges. If it's too good to be true, it is most likely a scam.

It seems that everybody wants to pick on the seniors these days. Don't give your personal information on bank account numbers or credit card numbers to anyone except your close family members. Don't send money to anyone who calls you on the phone.

Congressman J. Pickle of Texas wants to introduce a bill to raise the retirement age to 70 and the cost of living calculated to every two years. In the meantime their salaries keep getting larger and larger. Some of their aides are getting over one hundred thousand dollars per year plus cushy fringe benefits. After 30 years service they can retire on \$75,000 per year. They should clean up their act before cutting the benefits to seniors.

Conference for girls on tap

Girls in grades 6 through 9 in greater Essex County are invited to attend the 1994 day-long conference, "Expanding Your Horizons in Science and Mathematics," at Montclair High School on April 9.

Girls will meet women in math and science related careers and have a choice of 30 workshops to

find out what women can do and how girls can prepare for their own future career options.

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Chorus to sing Mozart, Handel

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This charity work was first made popular several years ago when "Requiem" was sung at President John F. Kennedy's funeral. Many television shows now use parts of The Mass as background music, especially "Dies Irae."

The Chorus of Communities has become a popular area concert series made up of local church members from 23 different church communities and is directed by William Moore. The chorus is accompanied by organist Rev. Nancy Moore and members of the New Jersey Philharmonic. Area soloists include soprano, Jennifer Nasser; contralto, Luanne Lindemann; tenor, Don Sapara, and bass, Rick McElhinny.

Most of the chorus are made up of church choir members, music lovers, semi-professional and professional voices. Chorus singers are residents of surrounding communities.

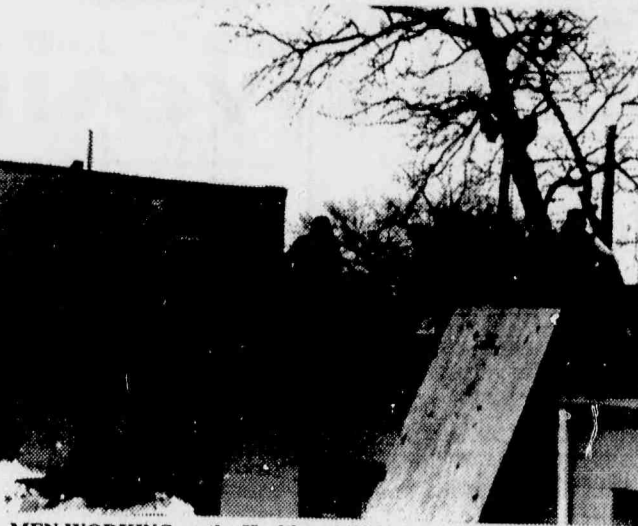
The chorus is sponsored by area ministeriums and is administered up by a representative steering committee. The group, now in its fourth year, has presented edifying larger works to the glory of God, as well as inspirational secular musical works. In addition, they bring a rare form of musical culture to the area while giving their benefits to the Clara Maass Medical Center Pastoral Care Division.

The Chorus of Communities was originally organized to help bring more harmony and "work-together" spirit among the various area communities as well as promote ecumenism in the area.

Tickets are on sale at participating churches, Clara Maass Medical Center Gift Shop or by calling 895-4563 or writing to Chorus of Communities, c/o Bethany Lutheran Church, 188 New Street, Belleville, N.J. 07109.

Correction

Unfortunately, we omitted the name of Michelle Cluen from an article February 23 about the Belleville High School Business Club. Michelle came in seventh place in business procedures.



MEN WORKING-on the Health and Welfare roof. Melting ice and snow caved the roof in earlier this year.

FUNDRAISER ON TAP SOON

The Home and School Association of Belleville School Number Eight will be hosting its Ninth Annual "Treasure Tray" fundraiser April 8 at 7 p.m. at Branchbrook Manor.

The event, called "Hula into Spring" will cost \$20 per person. For more information call Lisa at 450-8250.

Police apprehend carjacking suspect

Police Capt. William Escot announced that an arrest has been made in the carjacking that occurred at the Belmont Avenue Pathmark supermarket on March 6.

Robert Vonoczky, 34, of Asbury Park was arrested March 7 in Holmdel. He was initially charged with possession of a knife and possession of a stolen automobile. Belleville Police Officer Craig Mack was dispatched to interview the suspect, and the suspect allegedly implicated himself in the carjacking in his statement, according to Escot.

The carjacking charge is being forwarded to Holmdel, he added.

The incident happened at 6:57 p.m. in the Pathmark parking lot.

The 31-year-old victim was loading grocery bags into the trunk of her vehicle, along with her mother and her five-year-old child. She was then approached by a male, who asked if he could help. When she declined, he brandished a knife, pushed her away from the vehicle, and threatened her with the knife.

The perpetrator then took the keys from the trunk and drove the vehicle away. Belleville police immediately put an alarm out on the state police crime network.

On March 7, a Holmdel police officer observed a suspicious male operating the stolen vehicle. After a short pursuit the suspect was apprehended.



Vincent Scoca, Esq.

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OUR OPINION

Trouble ahead... trouble behind

One...Satchel Page left more behind than an enviable pitching career when he retired some years ago. He must be one of the most quoted players ever to put on spikes for indeed, almost everyone from Nelson Algren to Jerry Izenberg has found occasion to dredge up his oft quoted remark that goes something like this; Never look behind you, someone may be gaining on you.

The issue of the privatized ambulance idea prompts one to put a twist to that remark and suggest that "something" anyway already has gained on you.

Last week we reported that the township finalized a bond ordinance appropriating \$170,000 for the purchase of two new ambulances, vehicles intended to replace the 1985 ambulances now in use.

We may therefore ask at this point, what happens to them if the Council decides to retain a private ambulance service?

If a private ambulance service is to go on line this year, that purchase will have to be rescinded, but what if the debate on the merits of a private service go on and on? At what point will someone have to flip the coin and make the call?

After all budget time is fast approaching. And what if the township does the necessary research and puts the purchase of the ambulances off until next year. That course would provide sufficient information on which to base a sound decision, but will not do anything to affect this year's budget, and to hear some of the commentary about, that will be a problem.

One thing is certain, a number of questions have to be answered satisfactorily before any move is made.

Consider this; the two ambulances will come to approximately \$170,000, but, based on the example set by the vehicles they are to replace, they will last nine or 10 years, roughly the equivalent of \$17,000 per year.

If the service is privatized, it will cost the township some \$215,000 per year, just for the ambulances and personnel.

Added to that, as we understand it, will be an individual cost of \$180 charged either to the rescued person's insurance company or to the individual himself.

Information on the entire program is scanty now at best, but according to Council member Dr. Frank Noonan, who wants to explore the idea more thoroughly, the savings will come from a downsizing of the township's fire department-rescue squad.

Presumably, with no one needed to man rescue units, the township will need only enough firefighters per shift to answer fire calls.

That, 'tis said, means fewer men and a smaller payroll.

Nor does it end there. Those charged with researching this information will want to draw up a series of relevant questions to ask officials from other townships currently employing the service under consideration.

Such questions would attempt to answer problems relating to cost, to training, dependability, and so on.

It must also be remembered that once a decision to change is made, the odds are there will be no chance to back out for several years.

These and other items should be weighed carefully because a wrong decision can create major problems.

Pray snow is over, for school's sake

The Board of Education once again sparred with concerned parents and residents Monday night over the rescheduling of school days lost to the seemingly endless barrage of snowstorms. The school board's unanimous approval of half days on June 24 and June 27-30 quieted arguments — for now.

Those parents and townspeople who spoke publicly against the compromise bemoaned it as yet another concession to teachers. The outcry called for teachers and students to forego their Spring vacation in the name of quality education. Certainly, the argument that the compromise favored teachers over students can be made.

Superintendent Lally's assertion that no best solution exists is equally valid. Parents are right to call for their children's education to be given top priority, and all citizens have the right to question where each tax dollar is to be spent.

The reality, however, is that whenever

two differing factions are asked to negotiate an issue, compromises are inevitable. Whether or not one agrees that the half-days added to the end of June represent a fair plan, those elected by the town to make such decisions, and the professionals in charge of carrying out those decisions have acted.

Superseding even the school's governing body, though, is a larger force to be reckoned with by administrators, board trustees, parents and teachers alike — the force of Mother Nature. Regardless of your outlook on the school calendar, the superintendent has admitted that even one more snow day will necessitate a reevaluation of Spring vacation.

So, after all the shouting about what is best for the schools, the final answer remains out of our hands. Pray, hope, or wish that we have seen the last of the winter storms. Otherwise, decisions may be made for all of us.

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YOUR OPINION

About Jackson

To the editor:

I wish to address the letter to the editor, "On Michael Jackson," in the February 17, 1994, Belleville Times.

I was angry after reading this letter. It seems to me the only time a prominent black celebrity makes the Belleville papers is when there is something negative to say.

Personally I feel Michael Jackson should be commended for his dedication and his generosity in helping the disadvantaged children right here in the U.S.A. What's wrong with that?

Perhaps what we need to do is to examine our own priorities. If all of us devoted more of our time, money, and effort to make this country a better place to live, regardless of the color of their skin, then maybe we would be less likely to "point a finger" at someone else.

Sadie Barnes

Thanks for aid

To the editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Belleville Alliance for Substance Education and the Belleville Knights of Columbus. On February 16 and 17, Belleville Middle and High School students and staff participated in Conflict Mediation Training at the Belleville Knights of Columbus Hall. The program was sponsored by the B.A.S.E. committee inclusive of payment for the presenter, breakfast, and lunch. The Knights of Columbus allowed use of their facility on Bridge Street in Belleville.

As the Substance Awareness Coordinator for the Belleville School District and an advocate of innovative school programs, I am honored to be associated with community members in organizations that are extremely helpful. The home, school, and community involvement is very evident in Belleville. Again, much thanks to all of you.

Deborah Perri
Belleville Public Schools
Substance Awareness Coordinator

Keep 'Rutgers'

To the editor:

The Belleville Historical Society is against the bill that a determined Senate President, Donald DiFrancesco, R-21, introduced in the legislature on Thursday, Feb. 24, 1994 to have Rutgers University's name changed.

Belleville has long been associated with the Rutgers Family even before the Revolution. The family plot is in the church yard of the Belleville Reformed Church on Rutgers St.

It is a fact that Rutgers University was named after Henry Rutgers of New York but not much more is known of him.

He was born on Oct. 7, 1745 and was graduated from Kings (now Columbia) College in the class of 1766. He entered the Continental Army at the outbreak of the Revolution.

On May 8, 1775, Captain Rutgers at the head of his company of Grenadiers met the Boston, Connecticut and New York delegates to Congress at the ferry and proceeded with them to Newark. He was still a captain in 1776 and took part in the Battle of White Plains. He continued actively and usefully employed as an officer until the close of the war.

During the occupation of New York by the British army the Rutgers house was used as a hospital. The brewery was used first as the hospital kitchen and afterward as a pository of naval stores. He was possessed of great wealth and his time sufficiently occupied in attending to his estate. He was an officer in the militia after the war.

On Oct. 24, 1788, the First Regiment New York Militia under Major Henry Rutgers was reviewed by Brigadier-General Malcom. The parade ground was

on his own land. On July 27, 1790, President Washington and Governor Clinton reviewed the Legion of General Malcom's Brigade and Colonel Bauman's Regiment of Artillery. The President signified his full approbation of their soldierly behavior to Colonel Rutgers who commanded them. He was a member of the Assembly in 1784.

In 1800 Rutgers was nominated and elected along with George Clinton and General Horatio Gates to choose presidential electors and the result was the election of Jefferson and Burr. In 1811 he assisted in raising funds for building the first Tammany Hall. He was a regent of the University of New York State from 1802 to 1826. He was elected to succeed DeWitt Clinton as President of the Public School Society in 1828. He was always interested in the college at New Brunswick, which was founded in 1770 as Queens College by the Dutch Church.

After the Revolution it lay dormant until Colonel Rutgers aided in calling it to life. It received the name of Rutgers College from the trustees, "As a mark of their respect for his character and in gratitude for his numerous services rendered the Reformed Dutch Church."

Colonel Rutgers was accustomed to spend one-fourth of his income to charity. For many years he made it a rule to give a cake and a book to every boy in the ward who would call on him on New Year's Day. In person he was a tall, plain looking man with a kindly expression of face. He died in 1830 in the house in which he had lived nearly eighty years.

Ed O'Neill
President
Belleville Historical Society



Of All Things

By Frank Orechio

A feature of the Nutley Sun,
Bloomfield Life and
Belleville Times

• **RECENTLY**, a federal judge panel of three in Louisiana examined the make up of the state's Fourth Congressional District and ordered district lines be redrawn because they were made to guarantee the election of two black representatives.

"We find the plan in general, and Louisiana's Congressional district Four in particular, are the product of racial gerrymandering and are not narrowly tailored to further any compelling governmental interest." The ruling was written by Federal Judge Jacques L. Wiener Jr. and concurred in by Judges Donald E. Walter and John M. Shaw. The ruling came down as a result of a law suit filed by four district residents — three whites, one black — that sued in July 1992 claiming the rights of white and black voters were violated by the unnatural boundaries.

The ruling is a victory for democracy. It should invite the attention of New Jersey Republican leaders since not only congressional lines but legislative lines were drawn to guarantee the election of blacks and hispanics in certain congressional and legislative districts.

• **LAST** summer, sixteen thoroughbred horses perished in an early morning blaze at the Fort Plains Horse Farm in Howell, New Jersey. Investigators believe dry hay may have been ignited by the heat of a motor from one of several fans used to cool the horses during a heat wave. The poor horses were trapped and never had a chance, and there was no way firefighters could make any attempts to save the animals. Dr. Harold Smith, a veterinarian who owns

and races thoroughbreds suggested that the state mandate smoke alarms wherever horses are housed. For the average small stable, the cost is estimated to range between \$1,200 to \$1,500. Smoke/fire alarms should be mandated by law.

• **ANOTHER** recent major political development in the area was Governor Mario Cuomo's announcement that he will seek re-election despite the fact that his poll rating is under 40 percent positive. I'm betting that Cuomo will win re-election — Whitman will have a good first term and be re-elected to a second.



Chris Whitman

• **THE** integrity of the horse racing industry is a priority item with racing authorities and governmental agencies. Recently, the FBI charged seven people with fixing races. They included drivers, trainers and one better with plotting to arrange the outcome of harness races at Monticello Raceway in Monticello, New York. The scam fell apart when a favored horse, whose driver had been paid to finish out of the money, finished third in the race.

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The complaints, filed in United States District Court in Manhattan, came following an extensive investigation by state and federal authorities. The probe was aided by the confidential cooperation of one of the track's regular drivers.

• **CASINO** gambling in Kentucky has drawn the opposition of two Kentucky horse groups. The horsemen claim that casinos would destroy racing in the state. The opposition is led by David L. Switzer, executive director of the Kentucky Thoroughbred Association who stated, "Like it or not, horse racing and casinos/riverboats have never found a mutual area for coexistence. The 80,000 jobs associated with the horse industry cannot be weighed lightly against the nebulous rewards from casinos."

• **BILL CLINTON'S** liberalism has given the long dormant John Birch Society a second life. In a recent news release, the Birch Society charges Clinton's plans will lead to tyranny. G. Vance Smith, chief executive officer of the John Birch Society, says the limits of federal government powers do not permit the federal government to manage the nation's schools, the nation's health care, the nation's police or the nation's charity. Smith argues that whatever the government provides must be taken from the people in the first place and allowing the government to manage every aspect of our lives will inevitably result in tyranny. He further observes, "We have forgotten that the essence of freedom is the limitation of government." Smith denounces Clinton's frequent criticism of "gridlock" stating that "what the president calls gridlock, the founding fathers call checks and balances." I like to feel that I am a Conservative, but not to the extreme that the John Birch Society is perceived.

NJ Transit officials hear comments on rail link plans

(Continued from page 1)

stores to the area," he said, "so we don't want the rail link to complicate matters. But we do want to see the rail project come off."

Ann Donatello of Belleville asked about the additional noise the rail cars would bring to an area also subject to "terrific" noise from planes, trucks and cars, and also questioned transit officials about the link's hours of operation.

Richard Wolsfeld of NJT explained that unlike conventional rail tracks, the light-rail tracks will have welded joints in order to reduce the "clackety-clack" sound. He added that the system would be in service 71 hours a week, so it would not be operating late at night.

In response to a question from another citizen, Wolsfeld said that NJT planned for regular cleanings of the stations, adding that debris at

some rail stations is attributable to blown-over trash from nearby private properties, over which the agency has no control. He added that in the areas of Bloomfield and Belleville being considered for stations, such problems are not anticipated.

Another public workshop meeting on the rail link plans is scheduled for Tuesday, April 26, at 3:30 p.m., also at the Essex County Vocational School, 209 Franklin St., Bloomfield.

Local resident earns honors

Belleville resident Kitikorn Tangwongchai is among the 248 students at St. Peter's Preparatory School, Jersey City, who have earned academic honors for the second marking period, said Jack Raslowsky, the school principal.

Kitikorn, a junior at the Prep school, and a graduate of Good Shepherd Academy, received Second Honors.

Cerebral Palsy Unit needs volunteers

The Cerebral Palsy Center of Essex County and West Hudson, 7 Sanford Ave., Belleville, is recruiting volunteers for two planned fundraising events.

Assistance is needed for developing the Wheel-A-Thon '94, planned for May 15th at Brookdale Park in Bloomfield. Individuals will be requested to participate in the event and serve on a planning committee meeting weekly at the Center.

Volunteers are also being recruited for a six-week performing arts workshop to begin March 14 and continue through April 29.

These volunteers will assist in developing scenery, participate in performing and provide backstage assistance.

Organizations and individuals interested in the program may call John Dragula at the Center at 751-0200.

Local student joins Regional ensemble

David C. Nixon, a resident of Belleville, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nixon, will play clarinet for the North Jersey Regional Wind Ensemble and Orchestra. David is a Senior at Belleville High School.

Residents beware of 'Safe House' solicitors

Representatives from The Safe House, a domestic violence shelter affiliated with Clara Maass Health System, Inc., advises anyone who has been approached for a Safe House donation, not to donate. "We have had reported incidents of a woman approaching people for money for The Safe House," said Patty Lue Boff, manager, Safe House. "We do not raise funds in this manner. If anyone is approached by this woman, they should not give her any money." Boff also noted that the alleged panhandler also carries business

Clara Maass holds 'Hurt Alert Day'

The special needs of children and their families will be highlighted during the week of March 20-26 as Clara Maass Health System, Inc. observes Children and Hospitals Week. The theme of the week, sponsored internationally each year by the Association for the Care of Children's Health, is "Commitment to Caring."

To commemorate the week, the Pediatric Department at Clara Maass will hold "Hurt Alert Day," March 22. The program, designed

to help families understand and help manage pain in children, will include videos, pamphlets and giveaways. It will be held in the William Greifinger Lecture Hall from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. All are invited to attend.

"The purpose of 'Hurt Alert Day' is to take the mystery and fear out of the hospital experience. We hope to provide an opportunity to increase awareness for children, staff members, and hospital visitors to the unique needs of children and their families in the health care system," said Beverly Cohen, RN, CPN, nurse manager, Pediatrics. "It is our goal to teach children, patients, parents, staff and educators, simple principles of relaxation, imagery, and distraction — non medical ways to diminish or

alleviate pain." In addition to the evening program, there will be a day time program offered to area schools through the local Boards of Education.

The Association for the Care of Children's Health is a multidisciplinary organization of more than 200 hospitals and organizations, as well as 4,000 individual health care professionals and parents — all sharing the belief that "kid's need more than medicine to get well."

Clara Maass Health System, Inc., is a 475 bed acute care facility located in Belleville. It is affiliated with the Clara Maass Continuing Care Center — 120 bed skilled, long term care nursing facility; three professional buildings, a free standing diagnostic imaging center, and a same day services facility.

Police open drug Hotline

Belleville Detective Sergeant James Del Grosso, head of the Narcotics Squad, has announced the opening of a Narcotics Hotline on which citizens may provide information at any time.

The Hotline is (201) 450-3352.

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"All calls will be confidential," Del Grosso said.

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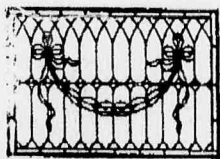
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Local banker predicts upturn

While the new year is young, Valley National Bancorp Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Gerald H. Lipkin doesn't find it too early to make some predictions about the economy and direction of the banking industry in 1994.

First, he suggests, inflation will remain low — in the 3-3.5 percent range. Accordingly, he expects interest rates will remain around current levels — increasing by, at most, 50 basis points (a half a percent).

Importantly, he predicts, the New Jersey economy will continue to recover, "though slowly." This recovery will result in continued increased demand for automobiles and housing, particularly for homes

in the low- to moderately-priced range, Lipkin says.

"Similarly, as confidence in the economy grows, demand will increase for commercial loans," he maintains.

"While Valley has been one of the very few banks whose loan portfolio weathered the test of the past few years' recession, we think we will see a continued improvement in the quality of bank loan portfolios in general," Lipkin says. "I think you will see a lot less risk taking by bankers, despite the income potential."

He added, "While we expect bankers will see a modest shrinkage in net interest margins, profits should remain strong." Valley has historically reported solid results — a trend Lipkin believes will continue. For the fourth quarter ended Dec. 31, 1993, Valley reported earnings of \$13.4 million, or \$0.55 per share, representing a 33.2 percent increase from the \$10.1 million, or \$0.42, earned during the same time frame in 1992. Earnings per share figures have been adjusted to reflect a 5:4 common stock split effected in April 1993.

Valley reported record net income of \$54.2 million, or \$2.25

per share for the year ended Dec. 31, 1993. The results represent a 30.4 percent increase from last year's record performance of \$41.6 million, or \$1.75 per share.

"Valley's substantial increase in net income in 1993 can be attributed to continued growth in the bank's net interest income," Lipkin reports. "Significant loan growth, particularly in the residential mortgage and auto loan areas, coupled with declining interest rates paid on its core deposit base were the principal reasons for the favorable results."

Net interest income, before the provision for possible loan losses, was \$35.1 million for the fourth quarter and \$136.2 million for all of 1993. This represented increases of 13.6 percent and 18.6 percent, respectively, from the comparable 1992 periods.

Valley's results for 1993 are again expected to place the company among the highest performing bank holding companies in America. Valley National Bank's efficiency ratio was 44.5 percent for 1993 compared to 47.2 percent for 1992. The efficiency ratio represents Valley's non-interest expense as a percentage of net interest income on a fully tax equivalent basis plus non-interest income less non-recurring items. The company had a return on average assets of 1.6 percent compared with 1.4 percent for 1992 and a return on average equity of 22.0 percent versus 19.9 percent for 1992.

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Paraboschi appointed to committee

Congressman Herb Klein (D-NJ 8) appointed Lou Paraboschi, the president of the Belleville Chamber of Commerce, to his Small Business Advisory Committee. Paraboschi was appointed for his years of knowledge and experience of running a small business.

The committee held its first meeting on Feb. 25. The committee is intended to keep the Congressman abreast of the issues and concerns of small businesses in the Eighth Congressional District. Discussion included economic growth, revitalization, and other economic issues.

The Congressman is a member of the House Banking Committee as well as several subcommittees such as Economic Growth and Credit Formation Subcommittee. He maintains an unwavering interest in small businesses and tours business areas throughout Essex and Passaic counties.

The committee meets on a regular basis. Interested parties should contact the Congressional office at 523-5152.

Local sailor visits Japan

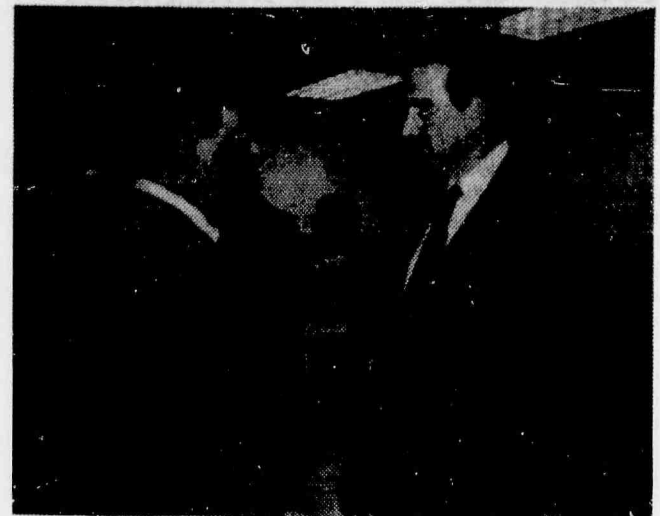
Navy Seaman Apprentice Michael R. Byers, a 1992 graduate of Belleville High School, recently participated in a three-day port visit to Beppu, Japan, aboard the amphibious command ship USS Blue Ridge, flagship for the U.S. Seventh Fleet, forward deployed to Yokosuka, Japan.

The port visit — a goodwill stop to enhance U.S.-Japanese relations — allowed Byers and his shipmates the chance to enjoy the natural beauty of Beppu and its more than 3,000 hot springs.

Byers' ship, the flagship of the U.S. Seventh Fleet, provides command and control in major operations. Byers is one of more than 800 crewmembers aboard the 634-foot long ship.

Naval forces will be prepared to fight promptly and effectively, but they will serve in an equally valuable way by engaging day to day as peacekeepers in the defense of American interests, Navy officials said. Naval forces are unique in offering this form of international cooperation, from the sea.

Byers joined the Navy in September 1992.



Lou Paraboschi and Congressman Herb Klein

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Library wins award

Cynthia M. Koch, Ph.D., Executive Director of the New Jersey Council for the Humanities, has announced the approval of a \$2,000 grant from the New Jersey Council for the Humanities for ten book discussions by New Jersey scholars on the theme: "A Study of Pulitzer Prize Authors and Their Award Winning Novels: 1919-1945", to the Belleville Public Library and Information Center. The theme for the series was developed by Acting Director and Project Coordinator, Adrea Cohen, who feels that these sessions on noted literary works will provide quality lectures and discussions by prominent New Jersey scholars for the community and those in New Jersey who attend the series.

The series will commence 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, followed by a lecture and discussion of "The Age of Innocence" by Edith Wharton, by Frank De Lisi, Adjunct Professor of English for 24 years at Rutgers University, English Department Head, Newark Public Schools on March 30. On April 13, Dr. Henry Christian, Professor of English, Director of Liberal Studies, Rutgers University-Newark Campus, will deliver a lecture on "One of Ours" by Willa Cather, followed by a lecture and discussion of "Arrowsmith" by Sinclair Lewis, given by Dr. T. Patrick Lynch, Professor of English, St. Peter's College, on April 27. Dr. Robert Gold will provide the final discussion for the spring on May 11, when he lectures on "The Grapes of Wrath" by John Steinbeck.

The series will continue in the fall with a lecture and discussion of "The Bridge of San Luis Rey" by Thornton Wilder, delivered by Dr. Robert Gold on Sept. 21, followed by a lecture and discussion of "Laughing Boy" by Oliver La Farge on Oct. 5, given by Dr. Thomas Benediktsson. Dr. Jane Brown will offer a lecture and discussion of "The Good Earth" by Pearl S. Buck, while on Nov. 2, Dr. George Moore will provide a lecture and discussion on "Gone With the Wind" by Margaret Mitchell. The final lecture in the series will be given by Frank De Lisi on Nov. 16.

All lectures commence at 1 p.m. English teachers are invited to bring a class, but must reserve with Ms. Cohen in advance of the lecture 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 on Saturdays from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

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, Nov. 5, 12, 19.

Anthony Cucci, an experienced Italian and Spanish teacher, will provide the course in the Trustees Room of the Belleville Public Library and Information Center. Currently a teacher of Italian and Spanish at Morristown High School, he has taught at the Belleville, Lyndhurst and Nutley adult schools. He is also assistant director of the Italian publication Il Ponte.

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

'Stand Up and Be Counted'

Due to inclement weather, the play "Stand Up and Be Counted" by Act One Presentations has been rescheduled for March 28 at 1 p.m.

"Stand Up and Be Counted," written by Isaac Dostis and Diana Sunrise, discusses those in the white community who risked their lives in support of the Martin Luther-King's Civil Rights Movement.

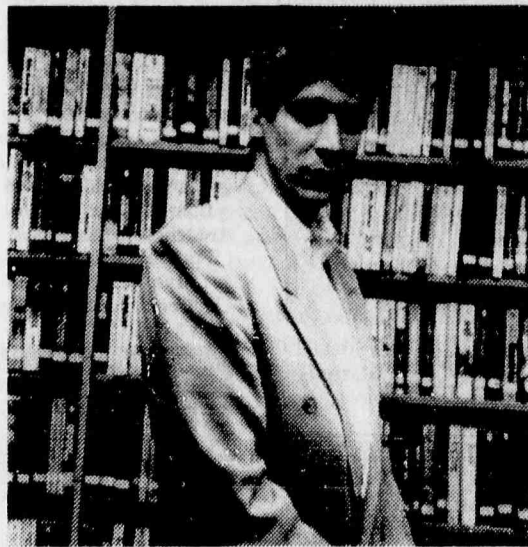
The program is funded by a matching grant from the Martin Luther King Jr. Commemorative Commission. To register, call the library at 450-3434.

Women's History Month

In celebration of National Women's History Month, the Friends of the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, will sponsor the play, "Mothers of Invention: Give Credit Where Credit Is Due!" performed by Act One Presentations, on March 9, at 1 p.m. The show deals with the overlooked part women have played in "inventing" our society.

To register for the presentation, call the library at 450-3434.

BOOK MARKS



Dr. George Moore, Professor of English, will deliver the first lecture in the 1994 Humanities Book Discussion Series, entitled, "A Study of Pulitzer Prize Authors and Their Award Winning Novels, 1919-1945," on the book, "The Magnificent Ambersons," by Booth Tarkington, on March 16 at 1 p.m. The series is sponsored by a Matching Grant from The New Jersey Council on the Humanities. Call 450-3434 to register for the series.

Famous Wives and Husbands

The Friends of the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, are sponsoring a program entitled, "Famous Wives and Husbands," which will be given by Friends' First Vice-President, Frank De Lisi, at 1 p.m. March 21, in honor of National Women's History Month. Call the library at 450-3434 to register for the program.

Calendar of Events

In the Trustees Gallery — "Places and Peoples From Around the World," a watercolor exhibit by Ann Day of Ringwood, will be on exhibit at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, 221 Washington Avenue, through March 31.

In the Display Case: A display, provided by the Belleville High School Crew Team, will be on exhibit during the month of March.

March 10 — "Fashion Tips" will be discussed by Andrea Colucci, Fashion Consultant, at 10:30 a.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center.

The Thursday Film Class Series will feature the film "I Remember Mama" at 1 p.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, 221 Washington Ave.

March 11 — The Friday Musical Film Class Series will feature "Hello Dolly" at 12:30 p.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, 221 Washington Avenue.

March 12 — An Italian Language Class with Anthony Cucci will take place at 10 a.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center. Call 450-3434 to register.

March 14 — In honor of National Women's History Month, the film "Agatha" will be shown at 1 p.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, 221 Washington Avenue.

A St. Patrick's Day Craft will take place from 3:15-3:45 p.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, Shafter Branch, 30 Magnolia Street.

March 15 — "A Way with Scarves," a talk and demonstration, will be presented by Irene Decker, fashion consultant, at 10:30 a.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, 221 Washington Avenue.

The Opera Film Class Series will feature the opera "The Magic Flute" by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart at 12:30 p.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center.

March 16 — Courses and Programs at Essex County College, West Essex Campus, West Caldwell, will be discussed by a representative of the college at 10:30 a.m. at the Shafter Branch Library, 30 Magnolia Street.

March 17 — "What's New in Children's Books?" will be discussed by Cindy LaRue at 10:30 a.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center.

The Thursday Film Classics Class will feature the film "Mrs. Miniver" at 1 p.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center.

March 18 — The Friday Musical Film Class Series will feature the film "The Great Caruso" at 12:30 p.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center.

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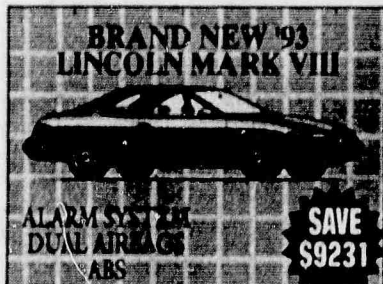
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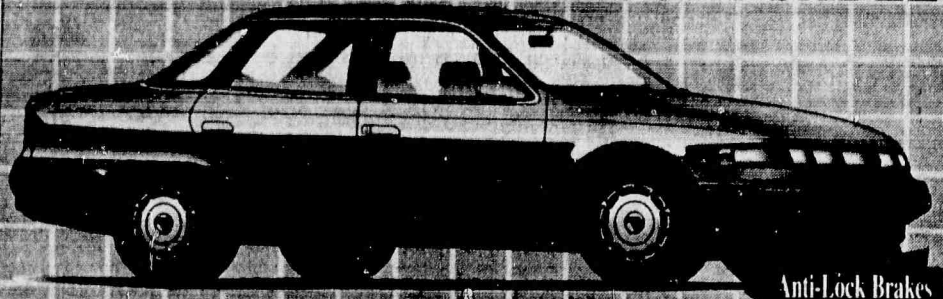
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A number of Belleville residents participate in the program.

Speaker for the evening will be Tom Quinn covering the topic of Be Gentle With Yourself.

The Recovery from Loss group is open to anyone who has had a loss in their life. Losses, large or small, do change your life and the Recovery from Loss group can help understand these life changes.

For more information call Marilyn Murphy, R.N., at 470-3050 at The Center for Senior Care of St. Mary's Hospital.

The Widow Support group, a related organization, will meet April 12 from 7 to 9 p.m. at St. Mary's Hospital.

Beginning Anew is the topic for discussion. Group leader will be Marilyn Murphy, R.N.

Women who have been widowed are invited to attend the Widow Support Group to begin their journey from widowhood to selfhood.

For further information call 470-3050.

In addition, the American Cancer Society will provide a speaker for the April 12 meeting from 2 to 4 p.m. at St. Mary's Hospital.

The We Are Survivors of Cancer (WASOC) is open to people with cancer, undergoing therapy for cancer, post-surgical cancer patients and their families. The WASOC group is co-sponsored by the American Cancer Society N.J. Chapter and St. Mary's Hospital.

For more information about WASOC call Mariann Aita at 470-3050.

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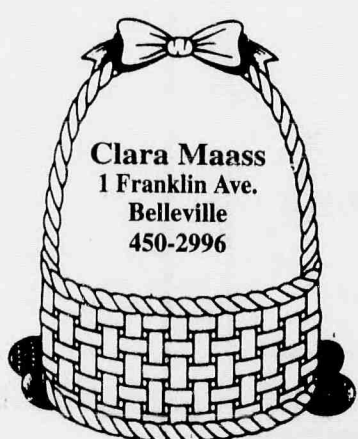
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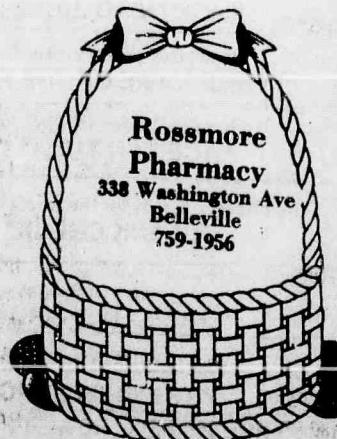
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Events in the Community

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Giant indoor flea market, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 13, Clifton Jewish Center, 18 Delaware St. Vendor space available. Call 772-3131.

Flea market and craft show, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 13, Belleville High School, 100 Passaic Ave. BHS band fundraiser.

Bi-annual Bag Sale, March 5 through March 18, Almost New Shop, 66 Washington St., Bloomfield. Fill a bag with clothing for \$5. All profits to League for Family Service of Bloomfield and Glen Ridge.

Fundraisers...

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

Sports card show and sale, 5 to 8 p.m. March 11, Berkeley School, 351 Bloomfield Ave., Bloomfield. Baseball, basketball, football and hockey cards and comic books. Refreshments available.

"Who Can Fix the Dragon's Wagon?", 11 a.m. March 12, Studio Playhouse, 14 Alvin Place, Upper Montclair. \$4. Sponsored by Nutley Juniors to benefit Nutley Volunteer Emergency & Rescue Squad (emergency child transport equipment). For tickets, call Sue Justice at 667-9759 or Maria Russo at 235-0694 or 284-1016.

Bus ride to Trump Castle, March 13. Bus leaves Nutley Italian-American Civic Association, 642 Franklin Ave., at 8 a.m. \$20 includes \$10 quarters and \$5 deferred. Call Al Prospero for tickets at 667-5146.

Just Desserts, 3 to 5 p.m. March 13, Valley National Bank Community Room, Franklin Ave., Nutley. \$5 at the door. Sponsored by Nutley branch AAUW.

Night of Comedy, at Rascals Comedy Club, West Orange. Sponsored by Unitarian Church of Montclair, 8 p.m. March 14. \$10. For tickets, call 744-6276.

Easter Bunny luncheon to benefit the Nicole Fund, 12 to 5 p.m. March 12, Feedbag Family Restaurant, 36 Broad St., Bloomfield. \$5.95 includes choice of hamburger, hot dog, pizza or chicken nuggets, fries and soda. Proceeds to benefit Nicole Frerichs of Bloomfield.

Monthly luncheon, sponsored by EMD, Woman's Club of Nutley, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. March 17, clubhouse, 216 Chestnut St. Baked ham, macaroni and cheese, salad, dessert and beverage. \$5. For tickets, call 667-1161 or 667-7120.

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.

Ring rage sale, March 18 in lobby of St. Mary's Hospital, Passaic. No ringer higher than \$10.

Bus ride to Atlantic City, Resorts Casino, March 21. \$20. Sponsored by St. Mary's Hospital Guild. Call 340-2975 for info and reservations.

Chinese auction, 8 p.m. March 25, Cedar Grove VFW Post, Pompton Ave.

Sweater sale, March 25, lobby of St. Mary's Hospital, Passaic. Reasonable.

Bunny breakfast, 9 a.m. to 12 noon March 26, St. Thomas the Apostle School, 60 Byrd Ave., Bloomfield. Sausage, French toast, bagels, danish, juice coffee, tea. Visit from Easter bunny and purple dinosaur. Easter egg hunt, Easter bonnet parade. Photo with Easter bunny for \$3.50. Tickets, \$6.50. Reservations required, seating limited. Call 759-2953.

Pancakes with the Easter Bunny, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. March 27, Nutley Parks and Rec, 44 Park Ave. Adults: \$4.50; children 12 and under: \$2. Sponsored by Nutley Volunteer Emergency & Rescue Squad.

21st annual pancake breakfast, 8 to 10 a.m. March 27, Bloomfield Presbyterian Church on the Green, 147 Broad St. Adults \$4; children 5-12, \$2; kids under 5 free. Ticket at the door or call 748-8270.

A Night at Rascal's Comedy Club, March 28, 425 Pleasant Valley Way, West Orange. \$10. Open to anyone 21 or over. Cash bar. Doors open 6:30 p.m. Show starts 7:30 p.m. Ticket required for entry. Call Lynda Cubellis at 759-9029 or 751-8820. Sponsored by Belleville and Verona Music Parents Associations.

Annual fish fry, 5 to 7:30 p.m. April 1, Bloomfield Elks, 296 Bloomfield Ave. \$8. For tickets, call Jean at 748-2363 or Clorinda at 748-0935.

Bus ride to Atlantic City, sponsored by Belleville Democratic Club, April 10. \$20 includes \$10 in coins and \$5 food voucher. For ticket info, call George Simon days at 751-4142 or Frank Bonavito evenings at 759-5533.

Annual card party "Spring Fling", 6:30 p.m. March 31, Atrium West Country Club, West Orange. Full course dinner. Sponsored by Berkeley Home and School Assoc. \$22. Call Angela Coffey at 743-7472.

Annual dinner and fashion show, sponsored by Women's Auxiliary, Nutley Family Service Bureau, 6:30 p.m. April 12, Westmount Country Club, West Paterson. Fashions by Group USA Apparel. For reservations, contact Fran Cervasio, 215 Rutgers Ave., Nutley, 07110. \$30.

Other events...

Concert for organ, harp, flute, 4 p.m. March 13, Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Newark. Suggested donation, \$10. On-site parking. Accessible.

Bloomfield High School wrestling banquet, April 8, Chandelier, 350

Franklin Ave., Belleville. \$25. Reservation cut off March 31. Call Rich Galioto at 338-1770.

Bus trip to passion play, March 20. \$20 includes bus and admission. Sponsored by Vincent United Methodist Church. Limited tickets. Call 667-5440.

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

For singles only...

Singles 60 Plus for all single Bloomfield residents over 60, 12:30 p.m. second and fourth Mondays, Bloomfield Civic Center, 84 Broad St. For information, call 743-7014 or 680-4017.

Meetings...

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

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.

Roche Retiree Club, 1 p.m. March 12, Building 76 auditorium. Speaker: Father Harold Niedzwiecki, professor of philosophy at Felician College. Refreshments. Executive board meets at 11:30 a.m.

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

Women's Auxiliary, Lions 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.

Chess players, 7 to 11 p.m. Fridays, Bloomfield Civic Center, 84 Broad St. Chess tournaments first Fridays with trophies. Special section for children 6-14. For information, call Arkady Geller at 483-7927.

St. Mary's Youth Group, 8 to 10 p.m. Thursday nights, St. Mary's School gym, Msgr. Owens Place, Nutley. For those in 8th grade or older.

American Legion Auxiliary, Nutley Unit 70, 8 p.m. second Monday (except January), Nutley post home, 45 Franklin Ave.

Essex Salon Eight of the Eight and Forty, 8 p.m. third Monday, 45 Franklin Ave., Nutley.

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White Eagle Unit 448, American Legion Auxiliary, fourth Monday, 41 Broughton Ave., Bloomfield.

Optimist Club of Belleville, 6:30 p.m. Thursdays, 3 Guys, Washington Ave. For membership information, call Gabe Nazzola at 997-2121 or Emil Nardachorie at 450-8883.

Nutley Junior Woman's Club, 8 p.m. first Mondays, 216 Chestnut St. For membership information, call Debi at 661-1340.

AARP Chapter 57, Bloomfield, 1 p.m. second Wednesdays, Bloomfield Presbyterian Church on the Green, Broad St. Refreshments available 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Community Service/Craft Guild meetings 1 p.m. first Thursdays, Bloomfield Civic Center, 84 Broad St., 1st floor.

Essex County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs, 8:30 p.m. first Tuesdays, Bloomfield Civic Center, 84 Broad St. All sportsmen and sportswomen invited.

Belleville Historical Society, 7:30 p.m. first Tuesdays, Belleville Reformed Church, 171 Main St.

Nutley Historical Society, board meeting 7:45 p.m. third Thursdays, 65 Church St. Next annual meeting: March 3. Dinner at Vincent Methodist Church. New members welcome. Call 667-1528 for information.

Class reunions...

Bloomfield 1944. Call 800-22-CLASS.

Bloomfield 1974, 20-year reunion, fall of 1994. Names and addresses to Reunion Committee, BHS '74, P.O. Box 1601, Bloomfield 07003.

Bloomfield 1959, Oct. 8, 1994. Call 800-22-CLASS.

James J. Shawger School, Belleville, 1959. Contact Angela Cuozzo-Zarro, 54 Salter Place, Belleville 07109.

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Martha Wright bride of Daniel Graffeo

Martha Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Wright of Nutley, became the bride recently of Daniel Graffeo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Graffeo, also of Nutley.

The Rev. Robert Cozzini performed the ceremony in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Nutley. A reception followed at Russian Hall, Little Falls.

Escorted by her parents, the bride wore a satin gown fashioned with a sweetheart neckline, long sleeves and cathedral train with scalloped hemline. It was accented with pearls and sequins. A satin bow held her veil and she carried white and red roses.

Michelle Olson of Nutley was maid of honor. Flower girl was Regina Bauer of Union, niece of the bride.

The honor attendant was in a black crepe gown with white chiffon portrait neckline. She carried white and red roses. Regina wore a

white taffeta dress with a black sash and carried a basket of red roses.

Peter Russomanno of Nutley was best man. Ushers included David Wright, John Canning and Chris Graffeo.

Mrs. Wright chose a two-piece ensemble, a pastel tapestry jacket and beige chiffon skirt. The groom's mother was in a two-piece teal silk dress. Each carried a long stemmed pink rose.

Mrs. Graffeo, an alumna of Nutley High School and Berdan Institute, is a medical secretary at Kessler Institute, West Orange.

Mr. Graffeo, a graduate of Nutley High School and William Patterson College, Wayne, is loss prevention supervisor with Bradlee's, Hackensack.

The couple honeymooned in Hawaii following the June 11, 1993 nuptials.



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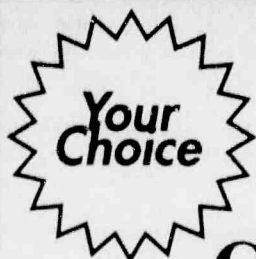
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By Mike Lamberti



First in a Three Part Series

It's hard to believe, but he has been a part of the Belleville sports scene for 20 years now. Wasn't it just yesterday that he met with his first cross country team on Labor Day to discuss the upcoming season? Wasn't it just yesterday that this man picked up a then junior in high school and gave that runner a "growing" exercise.

The answer to both questions is, unfortunately, a resounding no. But, as they say, time goes by much quicker as you get older.

While it may seem like yesterday, so much has happened in the life of this man that it will take more than a few columns to give it proper justice. But, for the sake of time, we will have to settle for a few columns. Thus, the first of three parts in the life (at least at Belleville High School) of **Rich Ruffalo** begins this week.

Anyone who has attended Belleville High School knows the story of this man. A Hall of Famer at Belleville and Bloomfield High School, Ruffalo was a standout athlete on the track team at Bloomfield and later Montclair State College.

After graduating from Montclair State, he served as a teacher in the Irvington school system for two years, then landed a full time teaching position at Belleville High School in the Fall of 1974.

To give you a little background, I was a junior at Belleville High School that fall and had decided to go out for the cross country team. We had to be at the high school for physicals on Labor Day, and after the mandatory check up, we were to meet with our coach for a quick meeting.

I was under the impression that our coach would be the veteran **Ray Haneke**, a man who had led the Belleville runners for the past eight or nine years. But when we went outside that warm September morning, there stood this man with a mustache, glasses and that "wild man" look.

"Hi, I'm Rich Ruffalo, the coach," the man said to us. He proceeded to tell us that practice would begin the first day of school, which was the upcoming Wednesday.

And there began a 20 year friendship between a coach and a student/runner that would stand the test of time. A whacky coach, Ruffalo would assign us some crazy workouts, especially on a Saturday morning. For example, he would send us from Belleville Park, where we ran our home meets, to Brookdale Park, then would have us run a 2.4 mile course at Brookdale, then would tell us to run back to Belleville Park.

They were crazy workouts, but it prepared us for the rigors of the Big 10 schedule, which certainly was competitive. Ruffalo led that first team to a 7-5 mark, and then the following spring, he would lead the track team to an 8-6 record.

Those were simple days. Go to practice, work hard, do your homework and that was about it. There were really no responsibilities other than that. Going to Belleville High School was an enjoyable experience.

Ruffalo lived, and still lives, his life through the athletes. In his early days, Ruffalo's craziness would often rub off on his runners. Quite often, he would bring out the competitive fire in his guys.

I remember a race during the '75 track season. Belleville had just defeated Montclair, 68-54. It was the first win by a Belleville track team over the Mounties in at least 15 years. And the runners were celebrating the moment.

As Montclair left the track, Ruffalo and then Mountie head coach **Ray Spivey** exchanged a few words. The two never got into any confrontation, but it said alot about Ruffalo, who "Coach Roof", as we usually called him.

"I like Ray," Ruffalo said the other day. "He's crazy, like me. We had a few words, but over the years, I have a lot of respect for him. Those were crazy days. It was a lot of fun."

As I said, his personality rubbed off on his athletes. Perhaps the man that best epitomized him was the captain of that '75 team, **Mike Fortino**. Mike was the definite leader of the Bellboys 19 years ago. He ran a mean half mile, and would be quite intense in his preparation for a race.

I remember the meet against Nutley and Fortino's performance in that race. He won and as he crossed the finish line, he let the Nutley runners who were sitting in the stands know very quickly that he had won the race. It nearly started a ruckus, and if you've been to a track meet, you probably know that the races aren't usually intense as far as a confrontational sense. It was just Ruffalo's way. He demanded hard work and intensity, and taught us that in life, it was important to do everything to the best of your ability.

The purpose of writing this feature on Ruffalo is many. Most importantly, he was selected to the National Italian-American Hall of Fame and will be honored in Chicago in two weeks. Considering the mega names he will join in the Hall, it is quite an accomplishment.

Over the next two weeks, I'll continue my feature on Ruffalo, discussing in detail his battles with life's obstacles and how he has overcome them in landslide proportions.

This Weeks Quiz

Let's get into the NCAA basketball tournament. Who made the Final Four in 1981? Who ended up winning the tournament that year? What event on the national level occurred which nearly cancelled the championship game?

Tid Bits

Congratulations to the Belleville wrestling team on their performance in the Regionals last weekend. Special congratulations to **John Perna** on being named MVP of the regionals. Also, good luck and congratulations to **Isaiah Cardinale**, **Luke Cardinale**, **John Spina** and **Joe McNish** on advancing to the states.

There is plenty of coverage on the regionals in **Joe Piegario's** article which appears on page 11.

I was at the Irvington-Montclair boys' state tournament basketball game last weekend, where Montclair upset the number one ranked team in the state by a convincing ten points.

Let's hear it for the NNJIL. Montclair is in the Group IV, Section II finals and Teaneck and Hackensack are playing each other for the

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McNish, Luke, Spina qualify for States

Isaiah, Perna win Region 4 titles

By Joe Piegario

At this point in the season, a columnist really has to earn his paycheck. I mean, how many different ways can you say a wrestler is superb?

Let's see, you can cite the boy's record. John Perna is 27-0, Isaiah Cardinale is 29-0. Or you could recognize how each lad reaches his maximum goal in most every bout. Perna has pinned 19 opponents, Cardinale a whopping 23, both the best on the squad.

Maybe you should list each grappler's accomplishments for the season. Ummm, both athletes have finished first in the Bloomfield Holiday Tournament, first in the counties and first in the districts. Oh yes, and both guys just won their second consecutive Region 4 Championships this past Saturday at Passaic Valley High School. In fact, Perna was voted the tournament's Outstanding Wrestler for the second year in a row.

But maybe, just maybe, the best way to honor both boys is to acknowledge their excellence as individuals, two totally different kids winning consistently with opposite approaches.

Perna, a junior, is the consummate finesse wrestler. His favorite takedown is a single leg, his best pinning combination a near side cradle. He used both to perfection in winning the region gold medal at 112 pounds.

In quarterfinals action, John pinned Clifton's Bahir Mustafa at 4:53 of the final period. Semifinal round competition saw Lucas Guarino of Cedar Grove last 1:21 before being flattened. And in the finals, Perna decked Dan Guido of Hasbrouck Heights 1:22 into the bout.

John's lifetime varsity stats have improved to 58-1 with 39 pins. The 58 wins puts him in the #18 spot in the top 20, the 39 pins in position #9, tied with George D'Alessandro. His .981 winning percentage remains the best in the history of Belleville wrestling.

As a two time state tournament qualifier, Perna's path to a championship is blocked by Pete Poretta of Phillipsburg, Joe LaMalfa of Highland Regional and Dave Esposito of Iselin Kennedy.

Cardinale, a senior, is the most physically punishing Belleville

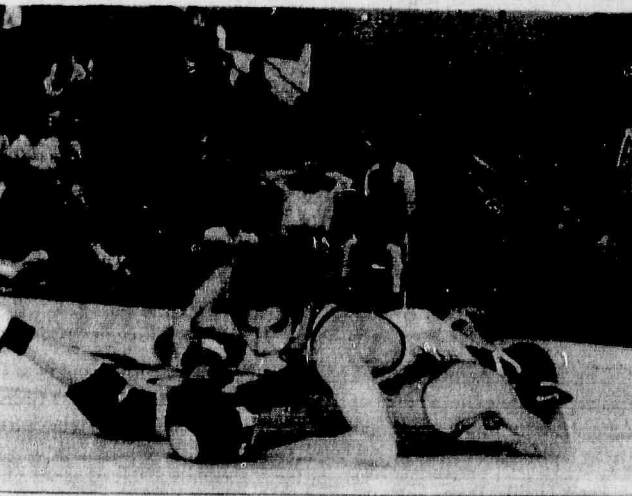
wrestler since the days of the legendary Mike Iuliano. Most of Isaiah's takedowns come from a front headlock series, while many of his pins are the result of a crotch trap combined with a figure four head scissors.

Isaiah's second consecutive Region 4 crown began with a 1:09 pin of Fort Lee's Robbie Dillon. Paterson East Side's Greg Graham

lasted 47 seconds in the semis before hitting the showers. And, in the Region's only matchup of undefeated wrestlers, Cardinale shut out Lyndhurst's 24-0 Gregg Settembrino by a 3-0 score in the 125-pound final.

With a lifetime mark of 87-8, Isaiah holds down the #7 spot on

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John Perna puts the finishing touches on an opponent during the regional tournament this past weekend. (Photo by Amy Metrolka)

"Veteran" Tosato leads spring kickoff

By Mike Lamberti

Don't let the weather fool you. Don't let the thought of storm number 16, 17 and 18 diminish your hopes.

Spring is around the corner. Officially, it's just two weeks away. If you remember last year, then you'll recall a certain blizzard that hit our area around March 13 and crippled the roads for at least two weeks.

But, as the saying goes, hope springs eternal, and it is with great hope and anticipation that the 1994 spring sports seasons began on Tuesday with practices.

The weatherman has promised good weather this week, albeit wet. It should lead to continued melting snow and the hope that once the fields are snow-free, it will take just a few relatively warm days to dry the fields enough for the teams to have a legitimate shot at playing on them.

So, with that in mind, the

Belleville Times will begin coverage of the varsity baseball, softball, track, tennis, golf and crew teams starting next week.

We'll also have spring schedules that should appear in next weeks issue.

We haven't forgotten the winter sports either. The wrestler's continue to excel and there are wrap ups of the girls and boys' basketball teams that will appear shortly.

Getting back to spring sports, there will be a new look to the both the baseball and softball programs.

As you probably know, Carl Corino and Nick Grande stepped down from their respective posts of softball and baseball. Replacing them will, mostly likely, be Cheryl Marion in softball and Chuck Martin for baseball.

Besides having the same initials, Marion and Martin will be naturals because of their knowledge of the game and their advancement in the programs.

Marion has served as Corino's assistant the past few years and Martin has been the JV baseball coach for the past five seasons with outstanding success.

During the next few weeks, we'll have a look back at the outstanding careers of both Grande and Corino.

Over on the high seas, Dennis Villano is back as head crew coach. The oarsmen and women held their annual row-a-thon at the high school last weekend.

Villano expects to have his team on the water this week.

John Tosato, who now can be officially called a "veteran" coach, is back to lead the track program. This is Tosato's 13th season at the helm.

As a matter of fact, Tosato is the dean of coaches on the spring level at BHS, and except for Hall of Fame coaches John Senesky (football) and Grace Worley (volleyball) along with bowling coach Mike

Early, Tosato has more coaching service than any current coach at Belleville.

Tony Salese will be leading the Belleville tennis program once again this spring, and once again, the team will most likely be on the road for the entire season because no one in the township with authority will do anything about the pair's tennis courts at BHS.

Every season, we try and give this matter the coverage it deserves, and once again, we'll feature as much as we can in the hope that township officials, along with the Board of Education, will see fit to help the tennis program at BHS.

Finally, Gene D'Allesandro is back as varsity golf coach. The golfers continually put in some excellent performances.

So, (knock wood), the spring has arrived! Sunshine and warm weather will soon be the norm. And the thought of wind chill, tires spinning on ice and snow accumulation will be just a bad memory.

Records falling for indoor track team

By Mike Lamberti

There are more high profile sports at Belleville High School during the winter months. But certainly, there aren't any harder working athletes than those who compete for the Belleville indoor track team.

John Tosato's group competes in various invitational during the winter months, venturing as far north as West Point and as far south as Princeton.

While the team does not compile a won-loss record, the season is vital toward the success of the program on the outdoor level.

"It's basically a time for the kids to get their work in, but in the same aspect, they get to compete against other schools. So it's not just practice without a chance to take part in various meets."

The season started on December 18, with the annual "Polar Bear" meet, held at Queen of Peace High School. It's called that because the meet is held outdoors, and everyone knows what the winter of '93-94 has brought to the Metropolitan area.

Freshman Tristan Kvetkus finished sixth in the freshman 55 meters, with a time of 7.5 in the finals.

For the girls, Rachel Anderson placed sixth in the 800 meters (2:51.3) while Reina Anderson took third in the sophomore 800 race (2:56).

Anderson came back with an impressive mile time of 6:24, which was good for fifth place in the varsity race.

Stephanie Brunello was second in the freshman mile (6:21) and fourth in the 400 meters, (72.5).

December 31, Minuteman Relays at Elizabeth: The girls mile relay team set a school indoor record with a time of 5:10.7. The old mark of 5:11 was set in 1982 by Anna Turano, Sandy Cotter, Nancy Coco and Patty Bliss.

Silva, Brunello, Tiffany Parker and Nicole Marinelli.

January 5, Developmental Meet at FDU: Kvetkus took fifth in the 55 meters, with a time of 7.1. Brunello won the freshman 1,000 meters in a time of 3:48.8 and Anderson set a school indoor record in the 600 meters (2:05.9). The old record was set in 1991 by Cindy Adams (2:10.4).

Nutley Field Invitational: Roger Hanos excelled here, finishing sixth in the high jump (5'4") and setting a new school record in the process. The old mark wasn't

exactly old, it was set last year by one of Belleville's outstanding athletes, John Alvarado (5'3").

Brunello was third in the high jump and tied a school record. Her jump of 4' equalled Lizette Rodriguez' lead in 1985.

State Relays: The girls' distance medley team added to the school record category. The team of Brunello, Marinelli, Silva and Anderson ran the event in 15:04.4 eclipsing the old mark by an incredible 33 seconds.

In the race, Brunello ran the leadoff half mile in 2:60 and Anderson anchored the race with a 6:12 mile.

The previous school record in this event was set in 1985 by Darcel Jackson, Dawn Cotter, Lizette Colon and Joyce Luongo.

The sprint medley team of Chris Parada, Dino Durante, Joe Colucci and Kvetkus did a good job, finishing in 4:07.4.

Developmental Meet, January 14 at FDU: In the freshman 60 meters, Kvetkus placed fifth in a time of 7.0. Parada was second in the sophomore 60 (7.0) and Anderson earned a fifth place finish in the varsity 800 meters (2:46.4).

Finally, Brunello took fifth in the freshman 800 (2:54).

Most encouraging in the results thus far have been the steady decline in times from the athletes.

Tosato said, "That's the main thing. I'm encouraged by the school records and the hard work the team has put forth."

We'll continue our look at the '93-94 indoor track team in next weeks issue, reviewing the performances of the past five weeks.

The following week, we'll wrap up the season, taking a look again at the various school records that have been tied, or set, during this past winter.

NOTES: This is the 13th season of indoor track at BHS. The program came into place during the winter of '81-82.

The outdoor campaign, which commences in a few weeks, should feature most, if not all, of the athletes who have excelled indoors.

Congratulations to former track head coach Rich Ruffalo on his induction into the Italian-American Sports Hall of Fame. Ruffalo will be formally inducted in a lavish ceremony on the weekend of March 18-20 in Chicago.

There is more on Ruffalo in a related article in this weeks issue.

Why the boys of summer are striking out

By Steve Patchett

Call me a Communist. Call me anti-American. But with spring around the corner, I have a confession to make.

I don't like baseball.

Yeah, Yeah. I know. Baseball is supposed to be the essence of all that is patriotic. Baseball, hot dogs, apple pie, and all that good stuff.

Well, thanks, but I'll take football, hockey or the NCAA basketball tournament any day.

I like my sports to be exciting. I like my sports to be action-packed. I like sports that don't put me to sleep.

"But baseball is a thinking man's game" the avid fan would say.

Yeah? Well, so is chess. And there's no way you'd catch me watching three hours of that on TV.

The trouble with baseball is that most games are about as interesting as watching paint dry.

The pitcher spends an eternity deciding what pitch he's going to throw. And he's got maybe three or four choices, tops. Hmmm, will it be the slider, curve, or fastball?

In football, quarterbacks usually have upwards of 30 plays to choose from. Plays like "tight end over slot left triple I formation on two." And you know what? They choose them. Quickly.

Even baseball highlights on the evening news can't grab my attention.

The sportscasters seem to know that baseball is boring, so they usually start things off with a goofy clip of hijinks from the dugout.

Hey - it's John Kruk blowing a huge bubble!

Wow - Mark McGwire is stacking cups on his head!

One time I even saw a player sleeping in the dugout. Boy, if that doesn't prove my point I don't know what will.

I mean, can you imagine a hockey player catching a few Z's before

a line change? How about a football player dozing off between downs?

If the players can't even stay awake during a game how do they expect the fans to do it?

I also have a problem with baseball players being considered athletic. I'm not necessarily saying that baseball players are lazy and out of shape. Let's just say a lot of them have been taken out for too many peanuts and Cracker Jacks, if you know what I mean.

Prime example: the relief pitcher.

What do they do? They hang out in the bullpen all game, sitting around chatting with other pitchers. Then they get up and throw to the back-up catcher for a while. If they're really lucky they may even get called to pitch for an inning, an inning and a half.

And then they expect a car to drive them over to the pitcher's mound?

Come on! For the money they make they should be sprinting into the ballgame like Carl Lewis on uppers.

But, no. Most baseball players are fairly sedentary creatures.

Still don't believe me? Go to a Philadelphia Phillies game this summer and see for yourself...

Take a look at their mascot, the Phillie Phanatic. He's the big green, fuzzy guy who's got more energy than an eight year old kid after too many Sugar Smacks. One minute he's bouncing around on top of the dugout, the next minute he's scurrying down the third base line, harassing the ball girl.

Now take a look at the Philadelphia Phillies. You'll probably find them standing around on the field like an AWOL Jenny Craig class.

Now I don't want to get picky, but any time the mascot is getting more exercise than the athletes you know something is terribly wrong with the sport.

Rec wrestlers strike gold

On Sunday, March 6, a group of Belleville wrestlers consisting of Bantam, Midget, Junior and Intermediate, traveled south to Lacey Township for a year-ending tournament.

Leading a parade of medal winners was Tommy Henry, who won all four of his bouts for a gold medal. Also capturing gold was Joe Parisi, David Sheridan, and Jimmy Smith.

Second place finishers included Robert Cappula, Nick Parisi, Mike Gingerelli and David Sheridan, who was entered in an additional division.

Third place winners were Chris Cappola and Mike Fusco.

The season ends today for many of these wrestlers, but a few of these boys move on to the states later this month. Good luck to all the state qualifiers!

Midget, Bantam News: A contingent of Belleville wrestlers

entered the state qualifying round at Clifton this past weekend. Approximately 300 wrestlers registered, but only the top three finishers in each weight class move on to the states at the end of March.

Qualifying for Belleville were first place: Lawrence Fusco, and Anthony Malanga. Second place: Joey Parisi, Mark D'Elia, David Sheridan, and Mike Gingerelli. Fourth place: Tommy Henry.

Congratulations are also in order for some standout wrestling at the prestigious South Plainfield Tournament. Top wrestlers from all over the state competed and our boys from Belleville did extremely well.

Medal winners for Belleville included first place: Mark D'Elia, second place: Lawrence Fusco and Danny D'Elia, third place: Joey Parisi, and fourth place Mike Gingerelli and Nick Parisi.

Troop 350 excels in Klondike Derby

The Broken Arrow District of Essex Council held the 46th Annual Garret Mountain Klondike Derby recently.

The Klondike Derby is based on the 1898 Yukon Gold Rush. Teams of eight scouts pull a 50-pound sledge loaded with various equipment around Garret Mountain going to different "towns" ("towns" are specific locations shown on a map of Garret Mountain Reservation) and performing a different set of scout skills at each town.

The boys are awarded points for the starting race up the hill, finding

their correct first town and time it takes to complete the course (there are 10 stations). They also earn points for successfully completing the scout skills and tests at the stations. These tests include fire building using flint and steel, using a compass to follow a course in the field, knowledge of first aid, knots and lashings and other assorted scout skills.

The heavy snowfalls this year added a special flavor to the Derby, recreating the winter wonderland that greeted the prospectors in Alaska in 1898. Over 300 scouts participated in this event. The scouts were divided into two classes:

those 14 and under, and an open class for those teams with any scouts 15 through 17.

First place was won by the Dragons from Troop 2, Bloomfield. Troop 147, Nutley finished second as their Golden Eagles team had the same number of points as the Dragons, but took six minutes longer to complete the course, time being the tie breaker. The Wolf/Badger team from Troop 12, Montclair finished third, the Screaming Eagles from Troop 7, Fairfield finished fourth and in fifth place was the Lumberjack team from Troop 350 in Belleville.



Captains presented their trophies: Al C. Welenofsky, "Governor" of the Klondike Derby, is seen with winning team captains, Danny Farabaugh (left) from Troop 147, Nutley, in the Open Class (scouts 15 and older) and Dave Tirado, Troop 2, Bloomfield, first place, David Reilly, Troop 147, second place, and Chay Narsule of Troop 350, Belleville, fifth place.

Isaiah, Perna win regionals

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the all time list. His 54 career pins ties him with brother Joshua for second place, all time. And, his .916 winning percentage is topped only by Perna's .981 and Junior Nardone's .927. Cardinale's final shot at a state title (this is his third state tournament) must clear hurdles set by Jefferson's Mark Piotrowsky, East Brunswick's Eugene Lezark and Justin Hurst of Lenape.

Belleville's senior co-captain Joe McNish, finished second in the 145-pound class, losing a 9-2 decision to Cliffside Park's Mike Foca. Joe improved his record to an outstanding 26-2 as he earned his first trip to the states. His nine pins for the year is the most he has ever had in a season.

McNish opened his region campaign with a pin in 1:18 over Paterson Kennedy's Carmelo Ocasio. A rematch in the semis with Theophil Dufresne of Essex Catholic resulted in another win for Joe, this time a 3-0 decision. McNish had beaten Dufresne 6-4 in the county finals only last month.

With a career mark of 53-17, Joe moved into 21st place on the all-time win list.

Finishing third for the Bucs were 119-pound sophomore Luke Cardinale and 125-pound junior John Spina. For both boys, it will be their first entry into the state tournament.

Cardinale came into the regions as a district bronze medalist. As an "out bracket" wrestler, Luke had the toughest road to travel in

Region 4. He opened with a 12-2 decision over District 13 runner-up Joe Benvenuti. Then he upset #4 seed Ron Assan of Ridgefield by recording a fall in 3:47. An 11-3 loss in the semis to eventual champ Don Pritzlaff of Lyndhurst didn't douse his flame much, as Cardinale pinned Omar Polanco of Paterson East Side in the consolations to improve his season's log to 23-6.

Luke will wrestle the second place finisher from Region 3 this Tuesday in the first round of the Super Regions held at Union High School. If he wins there, he will qualify for his first visit to Atlantic City.

BHS' final entrant into the state tournament was 130-pound district champ John Spina. Our feisty junior opened the regions with a 13-4 decision over North Bergen's Sal Guardascione. Steve Sul of Hasbrouck Heights, the eventual champion in this division, defeated Spina in the semis by a 13-2 margin. John rebounded well in the consolations, scoring an 8-2 decision over Newark Academy's David Samach.

Now sporting a record of 21-6, Spina's next bout will be against the runner-up from Region 3.

Jorge Hernandez at 135, and Mark Bianchini at 140 also were entered in the Region 4 championships, but were eliminated in the first round of competition. Aris Cruz, at 160, qualified for the regions, but withdrew from the tournament.

Buc Notes: The complete list of

Region 4 champs:

103: Ibin Lateef, Becton
112: John Perna, Belleville
119: Don Pritzlaff, Lyndhurst
125: Isaiah Cardinale, Belleville
130: Steve Sul, Hasbr. Heights
135: Chris Spanos, N. Bergen
140: Mike McNeil, N. Bergen
145: Mike Foca, Cliffside Park
152: Kip Cruz, Palisades Park
160: Marc Bautis, Lyndhurst
171: Hilton Cruz, Don Bosco T.
189: Jeff Heyn, Cliffside Park
275: Victor Gonzalez, D. Bosco

In the "My-district-is-tougher-than-yours" contest, District 16 came out on top. With five firsts, three seconds, and two thirds, they get the nod as Region 4's best district. District 13 was the weakest with two champs, two runners-up and six thirds.

It was one of the most topsy-turvy tournaments in years. Consider there were 151 bouts wrestled and in 48 of those bouts the lower ranked wrestler won. More than one out of every three bouts resulted in an upset. So much for seeding committees.

Only seven wrestlers entered the tournament undefeated. Only five survived. The lone matchup between undefeateds was at 125 where our Isaiah Cardinale stifled Gregg Settembrino of Lyndhurst by a 3-0 score.

By the way, 144 wrestlers competed in the event and the best record in the tourney, 29-0, belonged to, guess who, Isaiah Cardinale.

Good luck to all five state hopefuls! See ya next week!

Rec needs league director

The Belleville Department of Recreation and Cultural Affairs is seeking an adult to serve as League Director for its Tee-Ball League. The part-time position entails supervision of league games / personnel and re-scheduling rainouts, officials said.

Anyone interested would preferably reside in Belleville and must be available Saturdays and Sundays. Qualified applicants must be sports-minded, responsible and must work well with people.

This position would also be good experience for a college student majoring in recreation / physical education. For further information or to apply, contact the Recreation Department at 450-3422.

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7:00 p.m. OBC Newsbreak
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 viewers.
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 Pix
7:30 p.m. SPECIAL PROGRAM

8:00 p.m. Front Page Edition
8:30 p.m. The Final Score
9:30 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
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7:00 p.m. Jersey Spotlight
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11:00 p.m. After Hours

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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 Pix
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-case.

Buc Shots

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Group IV, Section I title this week.

Baseball season is just around the corner. My St. Louis Cardinals will win this year in the new alignment.

Speaking of baseball, we'll begin coverage of the spring sports in next weeks issue by running the schedules. We'll also have some previews. Look for wrap ups of the boys and girls' basketball teams in next weeks issue.

Once again, if anyone is interested in covering JV sports this spring at Belleville, please contact me at the newspaper. The number here is 759-3200.

If i'm not here, ask to speak with **Steve Patchett**.

Finally, it was an uneventful week with T.V. But she's still the number one person in my life.

Have a good week.

Sponsors needed for Belleville girls softball teams

The Girls Softball Association of Belleville needs your help. We are offering local businesses and organizations the opportunity to sponsor girls softball teams.

The \$250 sponsorship fee will provide our girls with official umpires, and other necessities we need in order to have a successful program. The name of your business will appear on the girls' shirts and you will also have local newspaper publicity.

Sponsoring a team is not only a community service, but also an effective advertising technique. (And it's tax deductible!)

We are also offering a co-sponsorship where two businesses split the sponsorship fee and share a team. Please take this opportunity to help Belleville's girls.

Interested parties may contact Tina Porcelli, Junior League President, at 759-1821.

Events

Support groups...

Narcotics Anonymous meeting list: **BELLEVILLE:** Monday, 8 p.m., Fewsmith Presbyterian Church, Union Ave. and Little St. Open/book/discussion meeting; Tuesday, 8 p.m., Clara Maass Medical Center, 1 Franklin Ave., Branch Brook Room, Education Center. Men's meeting. Open/discussion; Thursday, 8 p.m., Fewsmith Presbyterian Church, Union Ave. and Little St. Open/topic/discussion meeting; Friday, 8 p.m., St. Peter's Church, rear basement, Williams St. Open/discussion. **NUTLEY:** Monday, 7:30 p.m., St. Paul's Congregational Church, Franklin Ave. and St. Paul's Place. Closed/speaker/discussion meeting. Open to addicts and those who think they have a problem with drugs; Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., Grace Episcopal Church, 200 Highfield Lane. Women's meeting. Topic meeting/open discussion; Wednesday, 8 p.m., Grace Episcopal Church. Closed/speaker/discussion. Open to addicts and those who think they have a problem with drugs.

Gamblers Anonymous, 8 p.m. Mondays, 8:30 p.m. Fridays, St. Paul's Congregational Church, Franklin Ave. and St. Paul's Place, Nutley, 2nd floor. Meetings open to anyone with a gambling problem or those who think they might have a problem. Topic/therapy.

Gamanon, to offer hope and understanding to loved ones of compulsive gamblers, 8 p.m. Mondays, 8:30 p.m. Fridays, St. Paul's Congregational Church, Franklin Ave. and St. Paul's Place, Nutley.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, 2nd floor, St. Paul's Congregational Church, Franklin Ave. and St. Paul's Place, Nutley.

Drug addicts, 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Christian Faith Center, 393 Washington Ave., Belleville.

Catastrophic illness support group, 6 to 7:30 p.m. first and third Tuesdays, The Hospice, 34 Label St., Montclair. Separate sessions for families and patients. For more information, call 783-7879.

New Jersey Chapter of NAAFA (National Association to Advance Fat Acceptance), social events, human rights information, monthly newsletter. For more information, write P.O. Box 110203, Nutley, 07110 or call 667-2957.

Overeaters Anonymous, self-help group for compulsive overeaters or people with eating disorders. **Tuesdays**, Presbyterian Church on the Green Parish House, Broad St., Bloomfield (7:30 to 9 p.m.); **Wednesdays**, Christ Church, Park and Bloomfield avenues (opposite Grand Union), Bloomfield (8 p.m.). For more information, call 746-4658; **Thursdays**, Grace Episcopal Church, 200 Highfield Lane, Nutley (7 p.m.)

Living With Cancer, for cancer patients and their families, 7 to 8:30 p.m. second Wednesdays, waiting area of Radiation Oncology Dept., Mountainside Hospital, Montclair. 429-6905 or 429-6128.

Recovery Inc., a community mental health self-help group for persons who suffer from nervous symptoms and fears, 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Parks Dept., 44 Park Ave., Nutley. For free literature, call (908) 766-7466.

Make Today Count, a support group for patients and families dealing with cancer and other life-threatening illnesses, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. second Tuesdays, first floor of Continuing Care Center building, Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville. For more information, call 450-2210.

Stroke Caregivers, 6 to 7 p.m. third Wednesdays, fourth floor conference room, Kessler Institute, Saddle Brook facility, 300 Market St. 368-6026.

Parkinson Support Group, 10 a.m. third Saturdays, private dining room, Mountainside Hospital, Montclair. Exercise and speech therapy groups meet weekly as well as monthly meetings for caregivers. Call 256-1011 for information.

Arthritis Support Group, 7 p.m. second Tuesdays, Montclair Community Hospital, 120 Harrison Ave. Note new location. Friends and families welcome. (908) 283-4300. Mar. 8: How to Prepare a Living Will. Jean Kalembe, RN, speaker.

PFLAG, Northern New Jersey Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, 2:30 p.m. second Sundays, First Trinity and Presbyterian Church, corner of Irvington and South Orange avenues, South Orange. Newcomers: 1:30 p.m. Write: P.O. Box 244, Belleville 07109-0244 or call 267-8414.

Belleville recreation round-up

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 Jorammon 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.

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 pre-school 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

is just a limited number of openings, applications will be accepted on a first come, first served basis only.

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.

Sound Bites

"I always wanted to be like Bruce Jenner and talk about the record the rest of my life." — Dan O'Brien, when asked what he plans to do when he retires from decathlon.

"It makes as much sense as a secretary going home and spending nights typing." — Walter Payton on why he doesn't watch Monday Night Football.

"I'm starting to feel like one of those bug zappers. People just fly into me and fall down dead." — Mighty Ducks' left winger Stu Grimson, after accidentally injuring a teammate for the second time this season.

"Pat Knight is a living example of why some animals eat their young." — Indiana coach Bobby Knight, discussing his son.

Volleyball Challenge

Calling all cold weather couch potatoes! If you've had enough of the snow and ice, spike your winter blues at the Scriptex Volleyball Challenge for the Easter Seal Society of New Jersey (ESSNJ).

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The Scriptex Volleyball Challenge will be held on March 12-13 at Bloomfield College in Bloomfield.

All proceeds from the Scriptex Volleyball Challenge will benefit ESSNJ, the state's foremost provider of services to the disabled. Each day, ESSNJ provides nearly 3,000 New Jersey residents with supportive and specialized services in counseling, education, employment, housing, recreation and transportation. From each dollar received by the Society, 94 cents is allocated to provide direct client services.

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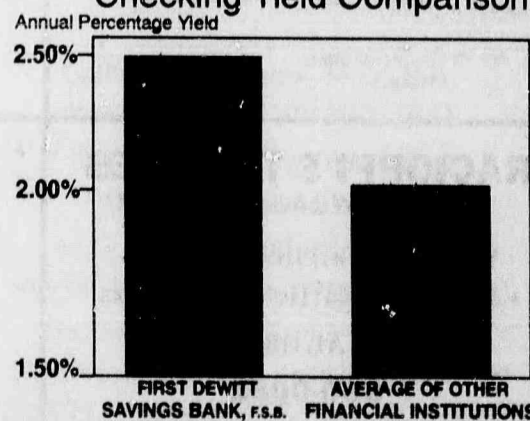
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Clara Maass celebrates women's history month

During the month of March, Clara Maass Health System, Inc. joins hospitals across the country in celebrating women's history month. To honor its namesake Clara Louise Maass, an 1895 graduate of the hospital's school of nursing, and a participant in the yellow fever inoculation experi-

ments during the 1900's, the Health System is offering Cooking Through the Years, a commemorative cookbook.

Included in the cookbook are over 350 mouth-watering recipes by such notables as award winning actress Olympis Dukakis; Grammy

winner, singer Dionne Warwick; soap opera star, James Kiberd; Lucinda Florio, wife of former New Jersey Governor James Florio, and New Jersey State Senator Bill Bradley and his wife Ernestine. Also included are recipes from the family of Clara Louise Maass, as well as contributions from local

restaurants, Health System trustees, employees and volunteers.

To obtain your copy of Cooking Through the Years, contact the Volunteer Department at Clara Maass Health System, Inc. (201) 450-2150.

'Essex Digest' sets March shows

Had enough of winter? Did record snowfalls and arctic temperatures get you down? Need a proven remedy for severe cases of cabin fever?

Well, the Essex County Department of Parks and Cultural Affairs has good news for you.

Speaking on the March edition

of "Essex Digest," Parks Department Director Anthony Burke advises that it is almost time to put away the rock salt, snow shovels and Ben-Gay and break out the golf clubs, running shoes and tennis racquets. On second thought, Burke said that maybe you should keep the Ben-Gay handy.

On the Essex County public affairs program, Burke and his staff will provide viewers with a complete rundown of upcoming, springtime fun activities for the whole family. Joining Burke will be Quilla Talmadge, coordinator of parks programs and services, and Jack Sheik, manager of South Mountain Arena.

Included in the county Parks Department schedule for March are the annual opening of kiddie train rides at Turtle Back Zoo, fitness and aerobic classes for senior citizens, an antique automobile show, last-chance ice-skating and final hockey tournaments at the ice arena and a wide variety of other programs.

Dolores Critchley, director of the county Division of Cultural and Historic Affairs, will give a preview of some of the week-long activities surrounding the Essex County Cherry Blossom Festival, the first annual Cherry Blossom Ball, the traditional 10k Cherry Blossom Run and the celebration of Japanese culture.

In addition to making our lives miserable during the past few months, Old Man Winter has done more than just wipe out our reserves of rock salt and open up cavernous pot holes in our roads. The ravages of winter have left area blood supplies at dangerously low levels.

Judy Knecht of the North Jersey Blood Center will tell program host Richard Leonard what Essex County residents can do to help alleviate this critical condition. Knecht also details blood donor pre-screening techniques and dispels some of the irrational myths of donating blood.

"Essex Digest" is a community outreach presentation of the Office of the Essex County Executive. The March edition airs every Sunday at 3:30 p.m. on Suburban Cablevision, every Wednesday at 9:30 p.m. on Cablevision of Newark, and every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. and every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. on Orechio Broadcasting.

Counseling to Medicare enrollees available at Clara Maass

Free, objective, confidential counseling by trained volunteers is offered to New Jersey Medicare enrollees at Clara Maass Health System, Inc. Questions about Medicare benefits, Medicare supplement policies and long term care insurance can be answered by trained knowledgeable volunteers. Volunteer counselors are trained in all areas of health insurance coverage and benefits which affect Medicare beneficiaries, provide information and assistance for dealing with claims, and in evaluating health insurance needs.

The volunteer counselors do not provide legal advice, sell, recommend or endorse any specific insurance product, agent, insurance company or Health Maintenance Organization (HMO). Rather, they provide information and assistance so that you can make your own decisions. All counseling is free of charge.

The "Counseling on Health Insurance for Medicare Enrollees" (CHIME) program is a service sponsored by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division on Aging and New Jersey Department of Insurance. CHIME is coordinated in Essex County by Senior Services and was formerly called SHIP.

For help with your Medicare claims, Medigap insurance, denied claims, or long term care insurance, call the Clara Maass Volunteer Services Department at 450-2150 for an appointment with a trained volunteer counselor.



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Patricia Narucki, 52

Patricia Ann Narucki, 52, of Nutley died March 1 in the St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston.

A Mass was offered March 5 in St. Mary's Church, Nutley, after the funeral from the S.W. Brown & Son Funeral Home, Nutley.

Miss Narucki was a postal clerk with the Montclair Post Office for 23 years. She was president of the

Branch Brook Women's Golf Club at Hendricks Field in Belleville and past president of the Essex County Major Bowling League.

Born in Newark, Miss Narucki lived in Nutley for many years.

Surviving are two brothers, John M. and Charles Jr.; a sister, Mrs. Claire Dickerson, and her stepfather, Lewis A. Lingenfelter.

John Biondi, 67

John P. Biondi, 67, a lifelong resident of Nutley, died March 1 in Mountainside Hospital, Glen Ridge.

A Mass was offered March 5 in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Nutley, after the funeral from the S.W. Brown & Son Funeral Home, Nutley.

Mr. Biondi had been a carpenter with the United Brotherhood of

Carpenters Local 1342 in Bloomfield before retiring 27 years ago. He served in the Marine Corps during World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Virginia; a daughter, Mrs. Virginia Bigley; two sons, John Jr. and Peter F.; two sisters, Mrs. Adeline Rose and Mrs. Rose Rosa; two brothers, James and Lewis, and seven grandchildren.

Miriam C. Cox

Miriam C. Cox of Belleville died March 1 in the Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville.

Services were held March 5 in the Kiernan Funeral Home, Belleville.

Born in Mayfield, Pa., Mrs. Cox lived in Newark before moving to Belleville 25 years ago.

Surviving are a son, Dr. Howard J., and four grandchildren.

Frank Beninati, 87

A Mass for Frank Beninati, 87, a lifelong Newark resident, was offered March 7 in St. Anthony's Church, Belleville, following the funeral from the Zarro Funeral Home, Bloomfield.

Mr. Beninati died March 2 in Columbus Hospital, Newark. He had been a painter with Eric

Peterson & Company of Kearny for 25 years before his retirement in 1972.

Mr. Beninati served in the Army during World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Eleanor, and three sisters, Mrs. Margaret Rookie, Mrs. Bessie Carbone and Mrs. Sarah Mercello.

Kent K. Lydon, 39

A Mass for Kent K. Lydon, 39, of Irvington was offered March 8 at the St. Francis Xavier Church, Newark, after the funeral from the Megaro Memorial Home, Belleville.

Mr. Lydon died March 3 in the University Medical Center, Newark.

He worked for the Newark School District at the Lincoln Elementary School for 20 years,

becoming the head custodian. He was a member of West Caldwell Local 68 of the Operating Engineers.

Born in New York, he lived in Newark before moving to Irvington seven years ago.

Surviving are a daughter, Nichola; his parents, Howard and Terry Lydon; a sister, Kim Church, and three brothers, Russell, Dennis and Randy.

Obituaries

J. Milton Sachs

Services for J. Milton Sachs of West Caldwell were held March 1 in "Guterman-Musicant," Hackensack.

Mr. Sachs died Feb. 27 in Mountainside Hospital, Glen Ridge.

He owned the J.M. Ward Knitting Mill in Belleville for 60 years before retiring in 1992.

He graduated with a bachelor's degree in chemistry from New York University.

Born in Brooklyn, he lived in Bloomfield before moving to West Caldwell 16 years ago.

Surviving are his wife, Mary Sue, and two daughters, Sheila and Jordan Mellisa.

Dominick Gervolino

Dominick A. Gervolino, 87, of Belleville died March 4 in the Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville.

Services were held March 8 in the Biondi Funeral Home of Nutley.

Mr. Gervolino owned the Greenwich Autorama, Belleville, for 26 years before retiring five years ago.

He earlier owned the Congress Garage, Newark.

Born in Newark, he moved to Belleville 31 years ago.

Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth; two brothers, Pat and Ralph, and two sisters, Mrs. Viola Garafalao and Theresa.

Miriam Walker, 69

A Mass for Mrs. Miriam J. Walker, 69, of Belleville will be offered March 10 in St. Mary's Church, Nutley, after the funeral from the S.W. Brown & Son Funeral Home, Nutley.

Mrs. Walker, who died March 6 in the Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville, was an office manager

for her daughter, Dr. Dianne W. Beresford, in Belleville.

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

Also surviving are two other daughters, Mrs. Judith A. Rebenack and Karen J., and seven grandchildren.

Gunhilde Hult, 86

Services for Mrs. Gunhilde Evelyn Hult, 86, of Nutley will be held March 10 in the S.W. Brown & Son Funeral Home, Nutley.

Mrs. Hult, who died March 6 in the Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville, was a secretary for 10 years with Seifer Howard Co., Belleville, before retiring 21 years ago.

Mrs. Hult was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star Eclipse

Chapter 226 in Lyndhurst, the Lutheran Church Women, the Choir and the Altar Committee, all of Bethany Lutheran Evangelical Church in Belleville.

Born in Brooklyn, she lived in Belleville before moving to Nutley 20 years ago.

Surviving are three sons, Donald H., Kenneth T. and Richard A., and three grandchildren.

Good Shepherd registration

Good Shepherd Academy will hold registration for the 1994-95 school year.

Parishioners of Holy Family, Mt. Carmel and St. Mary's churches can register kindergarten children March 2 and 3, 9-11 a.m. and 7-8 p.m. in the school auditorium.

All other families of children entering kindergarten through sixth grade can register March 9 and 10, 9-11 a.m. and 7-8 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Parents should bring a birth certificate, baptism certificate, health records and a \$100 registration fee to the school.

For information call 667-2049 or 667-2050.

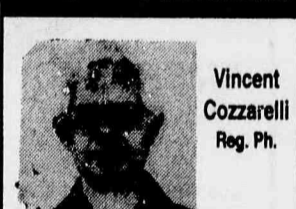
Kiwanis to build deck for Center

The Kiwanis Club of Belleville approved a motion at its last board meeting to demolish the large wooden deck at the Cerebral Palsy Center behind Clara Maass Medical Center so they can build a new deck, said club officials.

Club members will volunteer their time and labor to the project.

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Hearing aid services can also be provided. The Speech and Audiology Department at Clara Maass Health System is equipped for thorough audiological evaluations and hearing aid dispensing. Services are available for inpatients, outpatients and members of the community. Evening hours are also available by appointment.

For more information call the Speech and Hearing Department at 450-2130.

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The course is presented in accordance with the American Heart Association. Instructors are certified by the American Heart Association.

Classes will be held Mondays, March 14, 21 and 28 from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the medical center in Belleville. There is a \$40 fee, which covers the cost of materials. Pre-registration is necessary.

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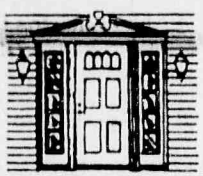
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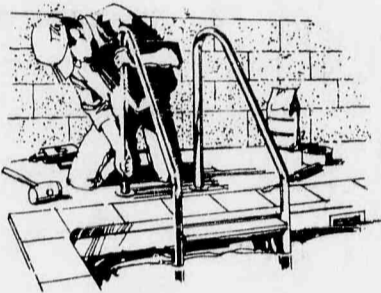
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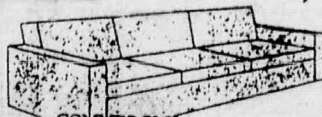


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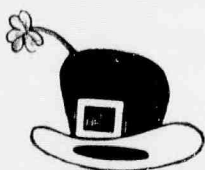
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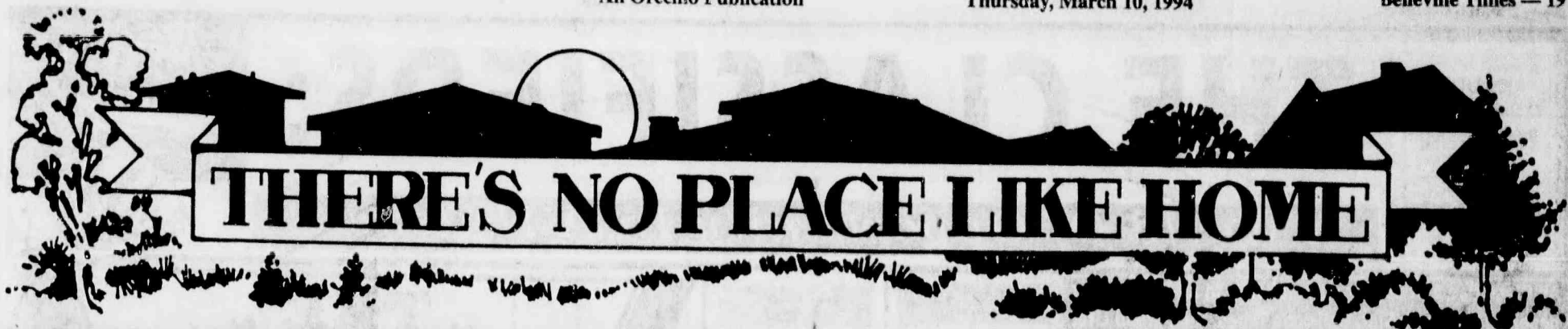
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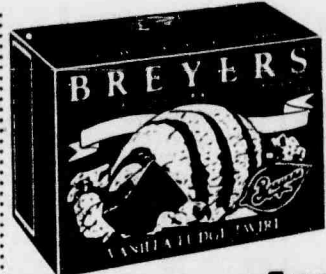
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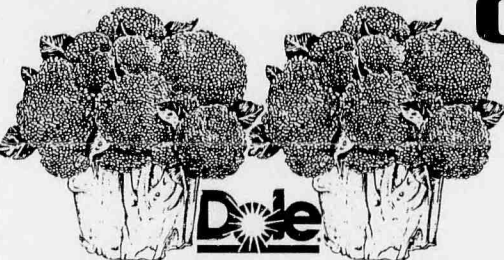
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