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School Five Fourth grade students created a piece of history they could really sink their teeth into -- New Jersey. As part of their social studies curriculum, the students used spearmint leaves to represent the pine barrens, chocolate kisses as mountains and fresh blueberries and cranberries to show where those fruits grow in the Garden State on this giant cake replica of their home state. The students and their mothers baked and iced individual counties, and provided many of the trinkets that provide details to the map. Pictured are (left, front to back) Maria Vitella, Dat Khong, Eddie Maraca, and Amy Mundorff; (right, front to back) Giovanna Vitella, Juan Munoz, Ricky Maucione and Kenneth Racioppi.

Flat municipal tax rate proposed in town budget

By Richard Dickon

Residents were to look forward to a flat municipal tax rate if the Township Mayor and Council passed the 1994 town budget following a public meeting June 14.

The Township Mayor and Council talked June 6 about cutting the Municipal Budget by about \$890,000 and using \$1.5 million in accumulated budget surplus to bring the municipal tax rate to a zero increase.

Township Manager Stephen Cuccio, who proposed the cuts, said the total budget cut would be

\$75,000 less than the \$890,000 originally proposed, while slightly more than the proposed \$250,000 may be cut from the fire department budget, and more would be taken from the Health Department budget as well.

If the budget passed June 14, the municipal tax rate would be virtually the same as last year.

The \$75,000 is pension, social security and other benefits due to township employees that has already been paid out and must be accounted for in the budget, according to Cuccio.

He said before the meeting that the cuts would not be firm until he met with municipal department heads to make sure they could "live with" the reductions and the council approved the numbers.

After meeting with Health Department officials the original reduction of about \$53,000 was increased to about \$67,000, and the \$250,000 cut made to the fire department was said to possibly be increased "minimally," according to Cuccio.

The fire department, as a result of a restructuring of the department (Continued on page 5)

Clara Maass to charge for parking

By Richard Dickon

Over the objections of Chairman Sebastian "Sam" Papa, the Planning Board voted to allow Clara Maass Medical Center to begin charging visitors a fee to park in the hospital's parking deck.

The parking deck has been operating since 1989 with no parking fee being charged.

Papa voted against the fee schedule, saying that even though four other area hospitals have been charging for parking for years, "Four wrongs don't make a right."

Nicholas Cafasis, vice president in charge of Support Services at Clara Maass, said the fee schedule would likely take effect within 60 days.

Cafasis refuted Papa's claim that the parking fees would send visitors out into neighboring streets to park to avoid paying the fees.

Cafasis said visitors would use the parking deck for several reasons, because the deck is the most convenient place to park; because the fees being charged are fair; because there is no parking availability that is less than 1,000 feet from the hospital; and because severe seasonal weather fluctuations like intense heat, extreme cold, rain and snow would make it more attractive to park in the deck.

"This would not be a major inconvenience to neighbors," Cafasis said.

Planning Board Attorney

Thomas DiBiasi advised the board that if they turned down the request for parking fees, Clara Maass would prevail.

Papa said he favored taking the matter to court. "You're not going to know unless you try," he said, "I would rather force a judge to say 'charge people to park.'"

The fee schedule, to be in place for one year, is \$1.50 for the first hour, \$1 dollar for the second hour, \$3 for the third hour and a maximum of \$6 for the day.

Cafasis said visitors would still be permitted to park in two professional lots in the evening and that parking would remain free for those being treated at 36 Newark Street. Volunteers and clergy will continue to park free.

Athletic programs fully reinstated

By Lizbeth Scordo

After a full school year of cut sports programs and fewer coaches, The Belleville Board of Education has announced a restructuring of the Belleville athletic department as well as the re-instatement of certain programs and coaching positions.

"We always thought that many of those programs should have stayed intact," said Athletic Director Karen Fucello, "The restructuring comes at a time when everyone is very budget conscious."

The previous cuts in the athletic budget brought the number of programs down to 34 and the number of coaches to 38 during the 1993-94 school year as opposed to

40 programs and 50 coaches during the 92-93 school year.

This year, however, many of the cut programs and coaching positions will be reinstated. The 1994-95 school year will bring the number of sports programs to its original total of 40, while the coaching positions will tally 48, announced Superintendent of Schools Michael A. Lally at the June 6th Board of Education meeting.

"We're trying to offer the most programs while streamlining," said Fucello.

Along with the reinstatement of old programs comes the introduction of a new program, Girls' Soccer. A junior varsity

program will be offered for the first time during the upcoming fall season.

"To introduce [girls' soccer] at a varsity level wouldn't be fair to the kids," said Fucello, "We think it will be best to nurture the program as a junior varsity program for two years and let it filter into a varsity program."

"I really feel the girls' soccer is a move in the right direction," Fucello added.

While a girls' soccer program has been introduced, the freshman girls' cheerleading program was not reinstated.

"The girls' freshman

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Catholic Community Services to oversee housing...

Senior housing tax credits, free land still sought; sponsor set

By Richard Dickon

The sale of tax credits for senior housing, as well as the waiving of a \$400,000 payment to the County Board of Chosen Freeholders are both still being negotiated by the Mayor and Council, while Catholic Community Services is the likely choice to act as non-profit sponsor of the housing.

Selling tax credits to finance the 75 to 100 housing units being discussed for five acres at the former Geriatric Hospital site at Belleville and Franklin Avenues is one method still under consideration.

Mayor Marina Perna said she again appealed to the freeholders, and she was "very hopeful" that the \$400,000 pricetag would be waived.

"There was a lot of cooperation and positive reaction," Perna said, "We asked them to delete the item since it is not a major item for them but it is a lot of money for us."

The freeholders need to agree by consensus to give five acres of former Geriatric hospital property to the Township for \$1 rather than the \$400,000 price tag previously set for the land that is earmarked for senior citizens housing.

Perna said that waiving the fee has had the continued support by Freeholders Joseph Palvecchio and

Louis Palagano.

Also, the Township plans to have the administration of housing units, including selecting residents through a fair lottery process, the rent collecting and maintenance of the senior housing, be done by a non-profit, third-party organization.

The council agreed, in a straw vote, to use Catholic Community Services as a non-profit sponsor.

The Reverend Monsignor Nicholas DiMarzio, executive director of Catholic Community Services for the Newark Archdiocese, said the organization first became involved in senior housing projects 15 years ago, but was not involved the past several years.

"The Archbishop has asked that we become involved again. He sees this as part of our mission," Msgr. DiMarzio said.

The Monsignor answered a question asked by Councilman Bill Cook regarding whether CCS has experience building housing outside an urban area.

"We do have suburban experience," he said, "We are in the process of developing another, similar plan in a suburban community."

"We are happy to be considered as a non-profit sponsor. It is a role we comfortable with, providing

social services to a housing project," he added.

A housing lottery, as is being considered by the council, is one means of selecting tenants, Msgr. DiMarzio said, provided there is an "overwhelming response" for housing.

Perna said the council is seeking a non-profit sponsor to take the project out of the control of the council so that seniors who meet the necessary criteria would apply political infighting would be removed.

The mayor has said she pledged to move on senior housing when she was elected, and she and the council got the land, and they have have laid a tremendous amount of groundwork which she hopes the new council follows up.

Telephone responses from about 250 senior citizens on housing needs are being analyzed to determine the number of housing units, while an environmental agency has begun inspecting the property.

The council has renewed efforts to obtain five acres of former Geriatric hospital property following the county's approval of funding for a cancer research center to be completed by the Center for Molecular Medicine and continued on page 5

Streets added to \$1.8 mil paving list

By Richard Dickon

The Township Council planned a public hearing June 14 on an amended \$1.8 million bonding ordinance that includes more streets, in addition to repairs being done to roads in all wards.

The additional streets are: Alva Street, Bellevue Avenue, Maple Avenue, Church Street, Cleveland Street, Cortland Street (from Bellavista to Greylock Parkway), Valley Street, Honiss Street, Belmont Avenue, the intersection

of Floyd and Beech Streets, the intersection of Tremont and Union Avenue, the intersection of Tremont and Adelaide Street, the intersection of Sunset and Union Avenue and the intersection of Myrtle and Adelaide Street.

At the May 31 council meeting, a cost of about \$182,000 was quoted by Township Manager Stephen Cuccio to add curbs and driveway aprons to several streets, including Jefferson, Oak, Academy and Hornblower. These are roads are to receive repaving through a \$105,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

Council members had inquired to the costs after complaints from residents that repaving alone is insufficient, and curbs, sidewalks and aprons are needed. The \$182,000 would have to come from town funds, Cuccio said.

Mayor Marina Perna had said at the May 24 meeting that the town "should do as much as possible through CDBG, with curbs and sidewalks a possibility if we can go beyond roads, and also do parking areas where necessary."

Cuccio said the ordinance provides the funding, and at the time of the resurfacing, each individual

streets' specifications can be gone over by any council person.

Questions were also raised about the language of the ordinance, specifically the inclusion of "including, but not limited to..." which some officials said was too vague.

Councilman Nick Cerami has also requested the inclusion of Hilton Street, which he said is badly in need of repair.

Twelve other streets are earmarked for repairs, 10 through county Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) and two through the state Department of Transportation (DOT).

The bonding ordinance will include roads in each Township Ward. In Ward I, Montgomery Street, Watchung and Belleville Avenues and Cross Street will be repaired and Cedar Hill Avenue will be split with Ward III.

In Ward II, Jefferson Street, from Joralemon Avenue to Liberty Street; Meacham, Ligham and Hilton Streets and Crestwood Drive, from Rutan Road to Morse Street are to be done.

Ward III will have the lower part of Belleville Avenue, Prospect, Perry, Crescent, Lloyd and Holmes Streets will be repaired, Holmes continued on page 7



Road resurfacing totalling \$1.8 million was scheduled for a public hearing June 14, with this area of Holmes Street scheduled to be one of many roads to be redone.

School Four celebrates 'Fun Day'



GONE FISHIN-- A few second graders play a fishbowl game, just one of the many games at "Fun Day"



TAKING A BREAK-- Two second graders take time out from the fun to munch on some lemon ice.



READY, SET, GO-- Phil Cuzzi organizes relay races for the participants.



MOONWALKING-- Principal, Mr. Harvey (left) and Custodian Vito chat while students of School 4 wait on line for a jump on the moonwalk.

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Belleville Senior News



By Joseph Restaino

Josephine Molinaro, trip chairperson of the Friday Senior Citizen Club would like all members going to the Turnberry in Hanover to be at the Clubhouse at approximately 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 15. The bus will leave as soon as possible. Also, all going to the Granit on June 27, please hand in your seating arrangement for your table.

Happy Birthday to Bill Grainger who will be 80 sometime this month. May you have many more big ones, Bill. Also to my grandson Danny. Happy 10th birthday and loads of love from Grandma and Grandpa and Uncle Joey.

Welcome back Maria Lunette and Walter Toinao. I spelled it right this time, Jim.

I read in the Star Ledger that when two police officers were trying to arrest some car thieves, they were attacked by a mob of residents. They threw rocks and debris at the cops. These same people would probably scream for police protection when needed and yet they interfere when they are trying to do their job. They should be arrested and fined for their unruly actions.

Senior and Belleville residents, do you know that here at the Belleville Varsity baseball diamond there is a team playing a very classy type of baseball and it is Free! Yes the Belleville Bruins play here two or three times a week including some

Saturdays and Sundays. Come out and root for them.

I would like to congratulate Sports Editor Mike Lamberti for taking on the decaying conditions at the Belleville Stadium. What we need here is more action and less words. I have heard coaches get up at town meetings and complain about the gruesome conditions, but nothing has been done so far. Sorry, but they did put a portable john by the varsity playing field. Hopefully this may be a start of things to come. Keep firing away so that people will be aware of what is going on

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace; where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

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He who accepts evil without protesting against it is really cooperating with it.

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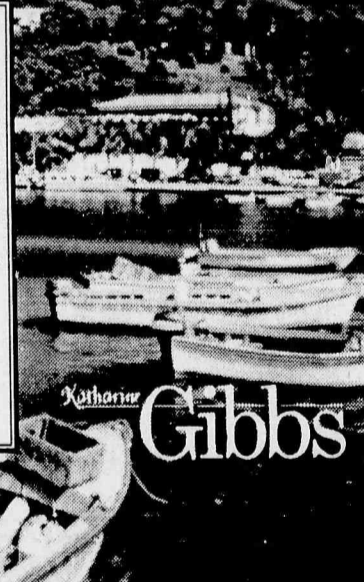
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Parents, students see reading's magic come to life

By Richard Dickon

"Parents as Partners in Reading," a family-reading program, was facilitated recently by Mrs. Marie Kimble, the Reading

Specialist at Schools Seven and Nine.

The program was held in six weekly evening sessions during April and May. Parents and chil-

dren in grades Kindergarten through grade three attended and participated in reading activities designed to increase reading time for children.

"The program emphasized the importance of parents reading aloud to their children," Kimble said, "Through shared reading sessions at home with their parents, children will increase their listening skills, vocabulary, comprehension, and come to love reading and books."

At each session, Mrs. Kimble addresses a different topic. Questioning strategies were modeled and practiced as well as "echo" and "completion" reading.

Parents and children were introduced to the fun and mutual enjoyment of sharing big books and hard puppets, wordless picture books, poetry, Newberry award books, and Caldecott award books.

A highlight of the program was the evening on which the parents and children wrote and illustrated original storybooks during "Make a Book" night.

On the last evening, the parents and children were awarded certificate and each youngster received a storybook.



Families reading together - Mrs. Marie Kimble (kneeling in center) with parents and children who participated in the Family Reading Program at School Nine.



Steven Samuel with shares a tall tale with his mom and dad.

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OUR OPINION

School athletic programs return to missing sports facilities, trainer

The recent announcement that the School District's athletic programs have returned to program levels of previous years, after cuts in programs last year, is certainly welcome news. After suffering the consequences of defeated school budgets and Township Council reductions, the athletic programs are back to full strength, with a girls soccer program actually being added.

The restructuring of coaching positions and athletic programs is an excellent example of what can be accomplished when creative, forward-looking solutions are sought. Unfortunately, no such action can be seen on the two other equally important athletic fronts.

The Municipal Stadium remains an embarrassment, in the words of Student Government-elect Albert Alves, who aptly described the tennis courts as resembling a California fault line. In the case of the stadium, however, the fault lies not in California but in town hall.

At a recent meeting, Councilman Jim Messina told another official not to put credence into what is written about the stadium in the newspaper, since only the council understood the situation. The truth is, you don't have to even be able to read, because the photographs of the horrendous conditions speak volumes about the inactivity of the governing body in fixing the stadium.

To be fair, Messina did help construct the varsity baseball field dugouts, and has been as active as anyone in town in trying to resolve the situation, but it is incomprehensible that a lawsuit has not been resolved that is preventing the town from securing state Green Acres funding to move forward with repairs.

Until significant effort is made to break this deadlock and provide young student athletes with the hope of competing at their

own stadium, the governing body deserves to be called on this situation and blamed for the inaction.

On another front, the sports programs remain without an athletic trainer, despite pickets, petitions and every form of legal protest possible by parents, students and teachers. Superintendent Michael A. Lally blamed the missing trainer on the \$250,000 cut made to the defeated school budget by the council.

While many in town feel the school budget was not reduced enough by the council and blame high teacher salaries for escalating property taxes, those who voted down the school budget should listen to the horror stories about what can happen without a full-time trainer.

At the June meeting where the Board of Education decided not to add a full-time trainer, a mother told the story of how her son and another young man were injured simultaneously in a recent game, and one athlete had to wait in a semi-conscious state, bleeding, because the one qualified medical person had to ride in the ambulance with the other injured athlete. Enough said.

An athletic trainer's position would likely cost the district about \$30,000, and Karen Fuccello, who did a commendable job reorganizing the athletic programs, may very well make good on her attempt to find a trainer before September, again through creative planning.

The fact that one area of the student athlete's life has been addressed in an intelligent, inventive manner is encouraging, but there remains too much rhetoric and too little movement in the other areas, leaving the experience of a Belleville student-athlete sorely lacking, and potentially dangerous. The time is long overdue for this to change.

Smoke and mirrors creates zero town tax increase at steep price

The Township Mayor and Council's attempts to bring about a flat municipal tax rate for tax-weary residents would be laudable if it did not bring serious, if not potentially disastrous consequences.

With the 60-plus tax points coming from the school budget, especially the \$2 million-plus in funds cut from previous budgets by the council but restored by the state Commissioner of Education, coupled with a tentative County budget containing about 12 tax points, residents face a gigantic tax hit.

But the governing body is choosing to relieve the tax burden by leaving next year's council with almost no surplus funds. By depleting the \$1.5 budget surplus, the council is mortgaging taxpayers' futures to provide an impressive-looking one-year flat rate.

A better solution is to negotiate smaller salary increases with police, fire, and municipal employees, which will bring down spending for the next several years.

Also, the new council should take a fresh look at the \$1.2 million earmarked to renovate the interior and exterior of town hall. While the present council maintains that not all the funds bonded for the project will not be spent, the amount that is spent may be reduced by subcontracting.

Also, next year the council will likely be asked to reduce a defeated school budget. With the state Commissioner of Education vowing not to automatically restore large portions of budget reductions, the council will be expected to cut more than the \$250,000 taken out this year.

These are just a few ways to bring down spending and taxes that don't involve trickery. Bankrupting the township for 1995 to offer a flat tax rate amounts to a foolish gimmick that will likely backfire in the form of a huge budget deficit next year.

So while you're cheering the council for reducing your 1994 tax bill, think about the consequences, and you may turn from cheering to jeering.

YOUR OPINION

Athletes await renovated stadium

To the Editor,

Recently, the Student Government Organization of Belleville High School has been swarmed with complaints about the condition of the athletic facilities on the campus. The SGO wondered why it had not addressed this problem sooner. A little research shows that it had.

In the Spring of 1993, then-Vice President Tiffani Lennon brought the dire condition of the tennis courts and Municipal Stadium to the attention of the Board of Education. A letter from Superintendent of Schools Michael Nardiello soon arrived. It stated that the facilities would be reconstructed by the following Spring (that is, 1994).

Well, the Cherry Blossoms have come and gone and no real headway has been made on this problem. We are now entering the Summer of 1994 and the campus remains an embarrassment.

The students have taken notice. When SGO Treasurer Albert Alves established his platform for SGO President, campus improvement was Priority #1. "We have a modern, attractive campus. We should have the surrounding facilities to back it up," said the President-elect.

Standout softball player and SGO Parliamentarian Lynne Giachetti blames the problem on interest in the wrong things. "I think that it is important that athletes compete at home. Unfortunately, other issues receive more time from the administration now," said the senior.

The importance of a nice campus, conducive to athlete competition, is unquestionable. "An attractive complex that host home events will raise school spirit, which is extremely important," said SGO President Ami Doshi. Alves added, "The students can easily say 'Why should I be proud of a place with a stadium that's crumbling and tennis courts resembling a California fault line?'"

It is apparent that something must be done. If the citizens would like Belleville High School to remain a reputable place of learning, the students must be happy with their surroundings. Today, they are not. If things remain as is, BHS will dwindle into mediocrity, and this writer is certain the Township will follow.

Bill Addis
SGO Secretary

Yes to recreation, No to basketball

To the Editor:

We would like to address the opinion of a Belleville resident whose letter appeared recently.

As long as our family has been living on Garden Avenue (some 15 years) in the vicinity of the recreation department, there have been no "good old days". The teenagers who have played basketball -- have NOT been "playing by the rules", settling disputes peacefully and staying out of trouble.

The sound of children does not disturb the peace as we have children of our own. The removal of the rims at the Recreation Department was deliberate and effective. The public who requested this action are residents who have lived through late games - as late as 1 a.m. and as early as 7 a.m. on a Sunday morning, breaking of bottles, abusive language, defamation of public and private property, urinating in broad daylight in public and the monopolization of the courts, so that neighborhood and Belleville children could not play.

Living near the "deserted" courts is a pleasure and

a sight to behold. Unlike the writer suggested, it is not like passing a "basketball concrete cemetery." At any given time during the day, children are learning to ride their bicycles in the safety of the "courts", rollerblading on a daily basis, there is a hockey game going on. There are plenty of organized sports offered by the Belleville Rec. Department and the playground is finally a safe place where parents can bring and send their children. These are all of the activities children can say "yes" to.

Residents would be very happy to see the basketball courts turned into tennis courts. But basketball rims have not been the answer to "good" recreation. The police, as suggested, have been called to no avail. Identification cards have been issued and not been checked or enforced. Area residents will not tolerate the verbal abuse have put up with, not the physical abuse our properties have endured. We are not talking about the sound of children laughing and playing.

Keep the hoops out of the rec playground.

Tom and Clare Delano



Of All Things

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

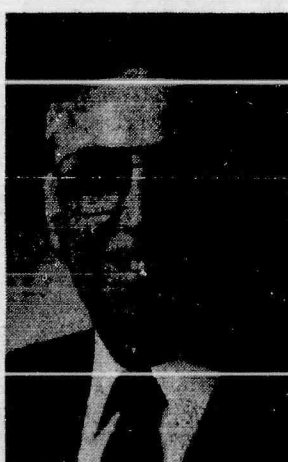
• **PRIDE** is important in life, but public officials should consider the rights and legitimate demands of their constituents. The time has come to bring Nutley's Creative Playground controversy to an end. Not only are the obvious problems available to the naked eye, but we just saw tax appeals result in a decrease in the ratables of the Nichols Park area residents. The town is spending money appealing the decision of the county tax board. I'm not a betting man, but if I were, I would lay 100 to one that the Essex County Tax Board will not be reversed and the reduction in appraised value projections by this county tax board will stand.

Nutley Parks Commissioner Frank Cocchiola has taken the laudable step of committing himself to appointing a committee to see what can be done with reconciling the emotions of Nichols Park area residents with the users

of the Creative Playground. The committee should consist of individuals with no preconceived notions and who are willing to keep an open mind concerning a final decision. Commissioner Cocchiola should be applauded for taking the initiative in an effort that may well lead to a resolution of this festering sore.

• **GOVERNOR CHRISTIE WHITMAN** has proposed dismantling the State Board of Education system. She thinks there are too many layers of management. Her efforts are being opposed by the New Jersey Education Association and also the State A.F.L.C.I.O. labor group. She also has proposals to reform the state's pension system which doesn't find much support among organized labor.

Whitman is right on both counts.

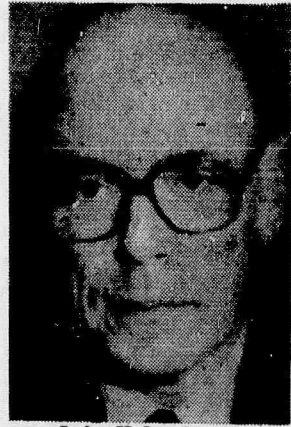


Frank Cocchiola



Christie Whitman
• **PRESIDENT CLINTON'S** nomination of Judge H. Lee Sarokin to the Third U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals is a worthy appointment. I have seen Judge Sarokin in action, and he impressed me with his knowl-

edge of the law, as well as his fairness with defendants. Most of his decisions have been upheld on appeal. In fact, no conviction in any criminal trial before him has been reversed. In one instance, the U. S. Supreme Court reversed the Third Circuit Court and upheld Sarokin. He enjoys a high rating by the American Bar Association.



Judge H. Lee Sarokin

• **BACKYARD** swimming pools are about to be filled and small children again put at risk. A Fort Lauderdale headline in its Tuesday, April 5th, issue read, "Boy, 3, critical after falling into pool."

This type of tragedy has occurred in our area in past summer seasons - and no doubt, will be experienced this year as well. Parents take heed - an unattended child near a swimming pool invites a family sorrow. Don't let it happen in your family.

• **THE Meadowlands Pegasus Restaurant** does not have a "No Smoking" section. This gives rise to the question of whether or not smoking should be banned in any facility owned by the State of New Jersey or subdivision thereof. "Second-hand" smoke effect is just as bad as if the non-smoker was smoking a cigarette. If Governor Whitman has the authority, I think she should be persuaded to issue an executive order banning smoking in areas owned or under the authority of state government.

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Aside From That

By: Howard Klausner

The Chairman of the Belleville Renaissance Committee, Lou Cienia, has received encouraging word from the office of Representative Herb Klein, that 180 members of the United States Congress have signed on as sponsors of the Bill to have Belleville recognized as Birthplace of The American Industrial Revolution.

Just 33 more signatories are needed to win House approval and then send it on to the Senate.

With Senate approval, and the signature of the President of the United States, Belleville should enter into a new era.

That assumes that the Municipality will know what to do with such recognition.

Most communities that gain this sort of federal status have plans to preserve and restore their historic pasts.

In Belleville's case, nobody in government has the foggiest idea of what recognition would mean.

But here are some thoughts, which we offer since it was this writer who first realized Belleville's claim to fame as the place where the Age of Steam arrived in America with Josiah Hornblower's bringing of the first steam engine to pump water from the Schuyler copper mines in 1753.

It was Mr. Cienia's research that established the even more important fact that the first steam engines to be manufactured in America were produced nowhere else but in Belleville, at Nicholas Roosevelt's Soho factory.

Having stated these credentials, we note that this establishes Essex County and New Jersey as the cradles of modern American industry.

So the County and the State both have a stake in promoting this recognition.

Funding should be made available for museums and parks encompassing what is left of our historic past.

At the same time, seminars and studies

of the development of the industrial economy should take place here, where it all started.

There should be an educational institution here devoted to economic studies, just as Princeton has the Institute for Advanced Studies and the Woodrow Wilson School of Government, and Rutgers has schools of science which have pioneered in everything from the Green Revolution in which much of the Third World now can feed itself, and the discovery of streptomycin by Dr. Selman Waksman which ended the scourge of tuberculosis.

We already have the Stevens Institute of Technology in Hoboken, which is a direct outgrowth of Soho. John Stevens, whose family founded the American railroad industry, was here in Belleville, working as Roosevelt's partner.

There is room in Belleville for a major educational institution that would bring a new and better quality of life to the Township.

It could even bring a revival of the industry that once supported the Township, but an industry using new technologies.

The current path of the Township is a downward spiral, with increasing taxes and decreasing services.

But the rediscovery of Belleville's importance to America and the world can also lead to the rejuvenation of the town.

And if the municipal governing body is unable or unwilling to provide a plan to utilize this historic recognition - or if, more likely, the politicians see it as a patronage grab - then organizations such as the Renaissance Committee and the Belleville Historical Society, should be the conduit between the federal government and the Township.

There is too much at stake to let the opportunity be dissipated or abused.

Council eyes zero budget increase

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t's hierarchy, will pay half-salary "separation allowances" to any member who chooses retirement, including four deputy fire chiefs who can either retire or accept lower pay and the rank of Battalion Chief.

Cuccio said he completed discussions with department heads by

Senior housing

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Immunology (CMMI).

Contained in that agreement is the use of eight acres of property surrounding the former hospital, which is being purchased by CMMI for \$5 million.

Council officials have said the agreement between the county and CMMI opens the door for the township acquiring the land for a nominal fee.

Discussions with county Freeholders have focused on possibly leasing the property for a nominal fee.

The Township has retained the Environmental Services Agency to perform a preliminary site inspection, and they have begun digging for test borings, coming up with aerial and topographical maps, and interviewing the people who've been involved in the area recently, Cuccio said, adding that a report is expected soon.

Estimates of \$70,000 to \$75,000 per unit have been mentioned by Penna.

Banks sell tax credits to investors who become limited partners for a period of years, with the credits paying for construction and operating costs of the senior housing complex. Residents can purchase the tax credits as a deduction of their income tax.

June 10 and the amount of cuts.

Proposed by Cuccio at the June 6 budget work session were a \$250,000 cut in the police department's budget; a \$30,000 cut to the Law Department; the Construction Code Department was to have \$20,000 less; in Utilities, gasoline allotment was to be \$10,000 less, telephone and telegraph expenses were to be trimmed by \$5,000 and street and traffic light funds were to be cut by \$20,000.

Questioned were raised about whether or not the library, which is funded outside the cap, could absorb a \$77,000 reduction, and officials were to look into the budget, and library officials were to attend the June 14 meeting.

Some council members have expressed worry that the township will lose \$3 million in state Revitalization Aid for distressed cities in 1995, leading to a huge budget deficit.

Cap increase insures funding

By Richard Dickon

The Township Municipal budget cap was raised from 2.5 to 5 percent so the town can be reimbursed with \$139,000 in emergency management funds to offset the costs of cleaning up this winter's numerous storms.

The cap increase would allow the budget to increase by more than \$538,000, but officials stressed that the move was strictly clerical, and was necessary to receive the storm

aid. "We have no intention of going to 2.5, let alone 5 percent," Councilman Bill Cook told audience members who expressed concern about increased spending and taxes, "We just have to show this on paper."

Township Manager Stephen Cuccio said the funding would offset costs of road salt, extra manpower and equipment used during the winter season.

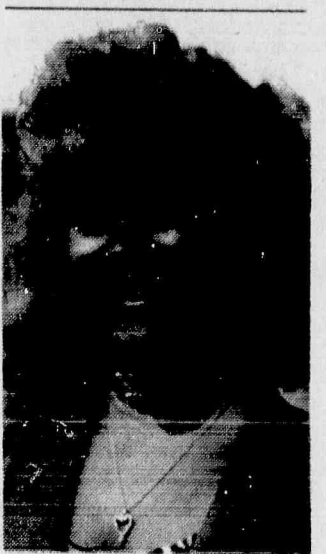
Michele Fantasia

Michele Elaine Fantasia of Bloomfield received a medical degree from University of Medicine and Dentistry-New Jersey Medical School at commencement exercises on May 25 in Holmdel.

Dr. Fantasia, who earned a bachelor of science degree from Fairleigh Dickinson University, will continue her medical education in a residency at UMDNJ/United Children's Hospital, Newark.

At UMDNJ, she was inducted into the Alpha Omega Alpha medical honor society.

The graduate is the daughter of Robert and Elaine Robertazzi of Bloomfield.



Michele Fantasia

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Expert advice on creating your own wedding day hair

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According to Brenda Lewis, a New York City-based wedding consultant, "Brides-to-be often make at least two or three visits to a hairdresser before the big day." However, a growing trend Lewis has witnessed is that many new brides are opting to style their hair themselves, thanks to the availability of at-home styling aids which help to achieve a professional-looking result.

Experts from the Aqua Net Style Studio offer some great advice for creating your own wedding day hairdo:

- Start by flipping through bridal magazines for hairstyle ideas. Clip out examples of those styles that will work best on your length and type of hair.

- Shop around and select your headpiece early. The hairstyle you ultimately choose will depend upon the style and shape of your headpiece — and you need to make sure they work together.

- Practice makes perfect! Experiment with a variety of styling products like

mousses and gels to determine which work best to help you achieve the look you want.

Also pay attention to the time required to create your style. You'll want to leave ample time on the wedding day to get your style picture perfect. Practicing yourself will also spare you of several costly trips to a salon for consultations.

- Make sure your hairstyle is also functional. You won't have much opportunity to stand still on your wedding day — and your style has to withstand all the action. After your "practice sessions," be sure to turn your head in all directions to make sure your style stays intact and is comfortable.

To guarantee control of your style throughout the "big day," send for a free wedding guide that includes style advice and a coupon for your favorite Aqua Net styling product or hairspray. To receive the guide, please send your name and address to Department A, Cairns & Associates, 641 Lexington Ave., New York, NY 10022. BR940325

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Beautiful wedding memories are created in formal splendor. Her gown by Michele Vincent is designed in silk shantung with an asymmetrically wrapped ballgown bodice. He wears "The Dream," a full dress variation with softly rounded notch lapels by Pierre Cardin. His accessories include a wing-collar shirt, coordinating vest with satin lapels and puffed bow tie, all by Pierre Cardin.

Flower power: tips for choosing a meaningful bridal bouquet

There are few things on earth as well-appointed for the pursuit of romance as the diamond engagement ring and the bridal bouquet. To cap-

ture their timeless beauty, consider choosing flowers that coordinate with the color and style of the bridal gown.

"A couple spends months choosing the perfect engagement ring and may never even consider the meaning of their wedding flowers," says Marvin Markman, president of Suberi Brothers, the diamond experts who manufacture the Royal Cut Collection of fancy cut diamond engagement rings. "A couple will probably purchase more flowers for their wedding than for any other occasion, so the



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beauty and symbolism of their wedding flowers are significant," adds Markman, whose Royal Cut diamonds are the preferred choice of many brides.

To find a florist, ask friends for recommendations or visit local florists and ask to see samples or pictures. Be ready to discuss your color scheme, flower preferences and, most importantly, the budget. Many couples want their flowers to be more than just beautiful. If you want your flowers to have special meaning, consult the following list:

Carnation	sweet; innocent
Daffodil	regard and chivalry
Gladiolus	love at first sight
Honeysuckle	fidelity
Lily	purity; innocence
Lily-of-the-valley	happiness
Orchid	love; beauty; fertility
Rose	symbol of love
Stephanotis	bride's good-luck flower
Tulip	perfect love
Violet	modesty; faithfulness

After you've made your selections, take time to review the fine points. Let the florist know when and where the flowers can be delivered, when deposits are due, and the cancellation policy. And don't forget to order a tossing bouquet so that you can save and preserve the real one. Like the perfect rose, diamonds are the universal symbol of love. To learn more about the Royal Cut Collection of fancy cut diamonds, call toll-free 1-800-777-DUCHESS to receive a free Royal Cut Collection diamond information brochure.

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Schools reinstate athletic programs

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cheerleading was a program that was never viable," said Fucello. "Many of the young ladies were unable to maintain their grades during the fall football season, so by the winter season the program was down to three or four kids."

Fucello explained that this past year the athletic department allowed the freshman girls to try-out for the varsity team instead, an idea she thinks has worked well. Six freshman girls will participate on the varsity cheerleading squad during the upcoming school year.

The Crew team will also undergo changes. The team will receive four coaches as they did during the 92-93 school year, but this year there will be two head coaches and two assistant coaches, rather than one head coach with three assistant coaches.

"I decided it would be much more in line if we have one head coach for boys and one for girls

with one assistant for each team," Fucello stated. "This way the girls team gets an equal opportunity."

Three of Belleville's co-ed programs, Cross Country, Volleyball, and Gymnastics have had their assistant coach position

reinstated as well.

Baseball had their third program and coach reinstated while the girls' and boys' basketball teams are back up to four programs and four coaches each.

Fuscaldo receives Award

Diane Fuscaldo, a Belleville High School graduate, and director of programs for New Jersey Chapter-National Committee for Prevention of Child Abuse (NJ-NCPCA), was honored recently by New Jersey Child Assault Prevention with a 1994 CAO Award for her work in child abuse prevention.

Nationally recognized for her expertise in prevention education, Fuscaldo began her work with NJC NCPCA in 1985. She has since assisted school systems and community based agencies throughout the state in designing

and implementing child abuse prevention programs, particularly for teenage parents.

As director of programs, she oversees and supervises staff in the implementation of NJC-NCPCA programs such as the Parent Linking Project (PLP), Teens Effective as Mothers (TEAM), and Effective Parenting Information for Children (EPIC).

Her research in the area of child abuse prevention has also received national attention and has been presented at conferences throughout the United States, including the Tenth National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect, the International Congress on Child Abuse and Neglect and the National Family Resource Coalition Conference.

Fuscaldo received her Masters in Social Work at Rutgers University, New Brunswick.

Street paving

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from Washington Avenue to Main Street.

In Ward IV, Linden Avenue, and Bremond Street, the latter covering west of Linden Street and north of Greylock Parkway are to be fixed. Tiona and Malone Avenues plus Little Street, Washington Avenue to Main Street and Union Avenue to Adelaide Streets is also to be included.

In addition, the following streets have already been funded by Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) with three separate contracts to be awarded: Jefferson Street, from Joralemon to Liberty; and Oak Street, from Joralemon to Division are to be bid on May 12th; the entire length of Academy and Magnolia Streets; Hornblower Avenue, from Joralemon to Division; Alva, Church, Cleveland, Honiss, and Brook Streets; and Maple Avenue have either begun or will begin shortly, according to officials.

Belmont Avenue and Cortlandt Street, from Bellavista to Greylock, have been funded by the Department of Transportation. Confirmation of funding is being awaited from the state.

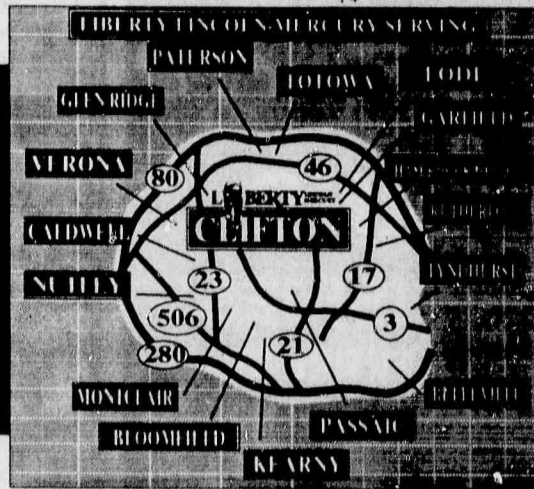
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A Graduation Party was recently held at the Shafter Branch Library for children who had attended the preschool program at the Branch and completed the requirements.

BOOK MARKS

Calendar of Events

IN THE TRUSTEES GALLERY: The art of Marcia Miele is currently on exhibition in the Trustees Gallery. The exhibition is open during Library hours; however, please call in advance, as the gallery also serves as the Library's Meeting Room, to see that the gallery is open to the public.

LIBRARY DISPLAYS: The "Shell Collection" of Allison Haar and "Library Crafts" by Zita McGarry are currently on exhibit.

June 17: The Friday Musical Film Class Series features the film, "Let's Make Love," with Marilyn Monroe, Yves Montand, Tony Randall, and Franki Vaughn at 12:30 p.m.

June 18: "Make Something For Father" at 10:30 a.m. in the James J. Cozzarelli, Jr. Children's Room, a special crafts program in celebration of Father's Day.

June 20: A special Popcorn Video will be shown at 3:15 p.m. at the Shafter Branch Library, 30 Magnolia St.

June 21: Part I of "Der Rosenkavalier" will be shown at 12:30 p.m. as part of the Opera Film Class Series.

June 22: The Wednesday Spring Film Class Travel Series will feature "Celebrating the Heritage of the U.S.A.: Los Angeles" at 1 p.m.

June 23: The Thursday Film Class Series will feature the film, "Things Change" with Don Ameche and Joe Montegna at 1 p.m.

June 24: The Friday Musical Film Class Series features "Sweeney Todd" at 12:30 p.m. with Angela Lansbury and George Hearn.

Learn Computers with new books

As a result of a grant from the New Jersey State Library, the Belleville Public Library and Information Center has added many new computer titles to its collection. Among the titles are "Windows 3.1 Font Book," by David Angell; "DOS, Wordperfect and Lotus Essentials," by Patrick Bultema; "Computer Age," by Time-Life; "Quick Course in Quattro Pro

For Windows," by Joyce Cox; "Internet Connections," by Mary Engle; "PC's For Dummies," by Dan Cookin; "Wordperfect For Dummies," by Dan Cookin; "AutoCAD 3D Companion," by George Head; "Novell Netware Lite, Step-by-Step," by D. Larisch; "The Little PC Book," by Lawrence Magid; "Visual Guide to Visual Basic," by Richard Mansfield; and "Mac's For Dummies," by David Pogue.

Life in Silver Lake

Feast to be held; Lots of Anniversaries

BOY, DO I HAVE NEWS FOR ALL YOU SILVERLAKERS..... FATHER DENNIS COCOZZA, THE NEW ADMINISTRATOR OF ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH WILL BE BRINGING BACK THE FEAST OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW WHICH WILL BE HELD ON AUGUST 13TH AND 14TH ON HECKEL STREET. THE SLCA WILL BE ASSISTING ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH AND FATHER DENNIS TO ENSURE THAT THIS FEAST WILL BE SUCCESSFUL. A LITTLE BIRD TOLD ME THAT NEXT YEAR, THE FEAST OF ST. ANTHONY'S WILL BE CELEBRATED. I THINK THAT IS LONG OVERDUE. Our Lady of Guadalupe (Patroness of the Unborn) was displayed at St. Anthony's Church on Franklin Street last month. I hope you all took advantage and visited the Church. In previous issues, Father Dennis will be spotlighted. So keep tuned, Silverlakers.....

John & Ann Gualtieri of Belmont Avenue celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary. John, a retired plumber, has lived in The Lake for over 73 years. Boy that's dedication to a neighborhood. He deserves the "Silver Lake Award". I am sure that everyone knows their son, Dennis, who has followed in his father's footsteps as a Plumber and who led the "Flood Patrol" on Watching Avenue and Lake Street. Silver Lake thanks you, Dennis.....

Happy 62nd birthday to Rose Renna of No. 11th Street. She is the wife of one of my good friends, Anthony (Babbers) Renna, one of the best painters I know.

A wonderful event will be happening on June 21, 1994. Its the 25th wedding anniversary of a wonderful couple from Lake Street, John & Josephine Falivena. Let me extend my best wishes for another 25 years. They have two great kids named Carline and Jon Vincent. Carline teaches autistic children in West Paterson and Jon Vincent made the Dean's List at Sacred Heart University in Connecticut. I know I use this phrase constantly but here it goes again.....WE MUST BE DOING SOMETHING RIGHT IN SILVER LAKE. I think I am going to change this phrase to WE ARE DOING SOMETHING RIGHT IN SILVER LAKE. Always be positive.

I would like to wish a wonderful



Marie Strumolo Burke

couple, Terry & Joe Opera of Naples Avenue, a Happy 25th Anniversary on June 14th.

Recently, I caught up with my friend and neighbor Pat Barbone, Sr. He told me that he has lived in the same house in Silver Lake from the day he was born. He even told me how long...Do you want to know....Well I will tell you....67 years. He is the father of Pat, Jr., the owner of Barbone's Service Center on Franklin Street in Silver Lake....

I was at a wedding a few weeks ago and, again, felt like a 'celebrity'. This woman came up to me and said "Aren't you the girl that writes that column about Silver Lake." I responded, "Yes, I am." This beautiful woman's name is Ann Evangelista of Franklin Street, who will celebrate her 91st birthday on August 6th. You heard me right.....91st. She told me that she has been a Silver Lake resident for over 75 years, yes I repeat, 75 years. I have come across beautiful people, but I must say she is one of the best I have encountered. I should age so gracefully. Hi Ann and Best wishes for more years to come.

Stop in and say hello to ANTHONY'S HAIR STYLES, FRANKLIN STREET, SILVER LAKE, AND MEET THE OWNER, ANTHONY AND MY BEAUTICIAN BETTY AND DON'T LET ME FORGET THE CUTE MANICURIST, JERRILYN. HELLO GANG.....

I caught up with a 'good friend from the past' Sue Piptone of Frederick Street. My God, she never changes. She is a matriarch of Silver Lake and a 'good lady.'

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Belleville Senior Higher Honor Roll Students

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Belleville Eleventh grade Higher Honor Roll Students

The following is a list of the Belleville High School eleventh grade Higher Honor Roll students:

Albert Alves, Natalie Bonacorsa, Tuan Bui, Michael Corino, Christine Damasceno, Amir Darwish, Robert Dayrit, Pasent Elehelw, Michelle Ganguly, Ralph Gencarelli, Satadru Hore, Janine Mazzuca, Jessica Nicosia, Chintan Pancholi, Indhira Polanco Artil, Michele Scanzillo, Caren Villano.

Stacey Johansen

Stacey Johansen, of Belleville received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Brown University in Providence, RI on May 30.

Johansen received her degree for work in Health and Society and Organizational Behavior and Medicine.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Johansen of Belleville.

School News

Belleville Tenth grade Higher Honor Roll

The following is a list of the Belleville High School tenth grade Higher Honor Roll students for the third marking period:

Jessica Aufiero, Lauren Calabrese, Illene Co, Nicole

Coppola, Anoop Dadlaney, Ben Dookchitra, Kimberly Foote, Paolo Frattaroli, Mary Lapas, Adela Llumpo, Chaitan Narsule, Ram Parekh, Amisha Patel, Rita Patel, Swati Patel, Lida Phatthanasomb, Jo Ann Veneziano, Lauren Willie.

Belleville Ninth grade Higher Honor Roll

The following is a list of the Belleville High School ninth grade Higher Honor Roll students for the

third marking period:

Brian Woods

Brian J. Woods, of Belleville, received a Bachelor of Science degree from Trenton State College.

Woods received the degree in Health and Physical Education.

Henry Aro, Elber Carniero, Anthony Corino, Christine De Jesus, Michael Dribnack, Larell Dunn, Alicia Gambino, Marcos Kamiyama, Daniel Kirk, Danielle Line, Darlyn Malunda, Janina Manalang, Louis Pallante, Jeannie Rodriguez, Amy Tedesco.

Belleville announces Senior Honor Roll Students

The following is a list of the Belleville High School twelfth grade Honor Roll students for the third marking period:

Michael Acuna, William Addis, Ramon Aquino, Carmelita Arceo, Roland Batiller, Annamaria Bautista, Joseph Berg, Jonathan Blake, Angelina Calca, Anthony Caruso, Jill Caruso, Joseph Citarella, Jayson Clements, Cheryl Co, Davina Coiro, Luz Cordero, Nicole Corsaro, Marcy Cuccinello, Jonathan Cummings, Khanh Dam, Marc De Benedetto, Rachel De Falco, Nicholas De Luisi, Balerie Celceg, Marc Della Volpe, Robert Dena, Sandip Desai, Mark Di Meo, Alexander Dizon, Ami Doshi, Keith Dvoric, Donna Driggers, Kevin Ernst, Rudy Espiritu, Daniella Ferreira, Stephanie Ferruggia, Jason Fisher, Brian Flor, Kristen Galioto, Anthony Gardner, Lynne Giachetti, Dawn Gingerelli, Monica Gomez, Jessica Gonzalez,

Michael Grippi, Gregory Groeling, Jane Ianiro, Christopher Imperatrice, Michael Jones, Virginia Kelly, Tina Kowalick, Christina La, James Landon, Sungbok Lee, Michael Lo Coco, Clifford Mann, Denis Massa, Tina Montecuello, Karen Mora, Michael Mundy, David Nixon, Gregg Noon, Melissa Noto, Joseph O'Connell, Anthony Pace, Eva Padilla, Diego Paredes, Bhavini Patel, Miguel Percio, Uyen Pham, Kimberlee Piscatowski, Michelle Pszonka, Vincent Queli, Rizzalyn Ragojo, Elizabeth Ramirez, Elsie Rivera, Banessa Rodriguez, Kristen Schmid, Tracey Smith, Maria Stoyanova, Kelly Talbot, Susanna Teemer, Gary Thomas, Areli Torres, Tania Tumbaco, Gerard Turi, Yahaira Urena, Christopher Uzzolina, Pam Vanesselstine, Jason Ventola, Adrienne Walsh, Kari Wendling, Kristin Zarrillo, and Christian Zomera

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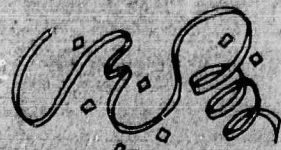


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Giant outdoor flea market, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. June 18, Costco's Wholesale, 20 Bridewell Ave., Clifton (off Main St.). Fundraiser for Children's Miracle Network.

Flea market and craft show, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 19, Columbus Middle School, 350 Piaget Ave., Clifton. Home and School fundraiser.

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**: Sunday, 7:30 p.m., Franklin Reformed Church, Hillside Crescent. Open/meditation/discussion; 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; Friday, 7:45 p.m., Franklin Reformed Church, Hillside Crescent. Women's meeting. Open/discussion.

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.

Northern N.J. Chapter Alzheimer's Assoc., 7:15 p.m. June 30, Park Manor Nursing Home, 23 Park Pl., Bloomfield. Caregivers, family and friends invited. Updates on current medical research. For info, call 316-6676 or Jennifer Griff at 743-7772.

Parents Without Partners, Liberty Chapter 1044, Father's Day dance 8:30 p.m. June 17, Knights of Columbus Hall, 2nd and Stuyvesant Ave., Lyndhurst. \$6 members, \$8 non-members. For info, call 991-0925.

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.

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.

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.

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Meetings...

Eastern Chapter Columbiettes, 8 p.m. June 20, Springfield Council. Election of officers.

Bloomfield Columbiettes, 7:30 p.m. June 22, K of C Council, State St. Election and installation of officers. End of the year party.

Belleville Irish American Association, bus ride to the Irish Festival on June 26 and dance Oct. 2 to honor Joe Dillon as Irish Person of the Year. For info, call Pat at 751-5308.

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, Meyer's Cafe, Franklin Ave., Nutley. 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 79, 8 p.m. second Monday (except January), Nutley post home, 45 Franklin Ave.

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

Nutley Junior Woman's Club, 8 p.m. first Mondays, 216 Chestnut St. For membership information, call Suzanne at 235-0659.

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. fourth Thursdays, 65 Church St. New members welcome. Call 667-1528 for information.

Fundraisers...

Fish fry, 6 to 8 p.m. June 17, Nutley Elks Club, 242 Chestnut St. Adults, \$8.50; children under 10, \$5. Coffee and home made desserts. Pick-ups available if reserved. For tickets, call Barbara Britton at 235-1732 or Lois Zelna at 759-8767.

Sandwich/dessert card party, 7 p.m. June 17, Good Shepherd School auditorium, 28 Brookline Ave., Nutley. \$10. Sponsored by Rosary Altar Society of Holy Family Church. For tickets and info, call Erma Mastro at 667-4430.

Leather sale, June 17, lobby of St. Mary's Hospital, 211 Pennington Ave., Passaic. Handbags, brief cases, wallets, silk ties.

"Lynching at Loreda," a rootin' tootin' murder mystery night of fun, 7 p.m. June 17, Fiesta, Wood-Ridge. \$37.50 for dinner and show. For info, call 743-5114. Sponsored by Bloomfield Board of Realtors as fundraiser for Ricky DiModica, four-year-old spina bifida victim.

Country fair, 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. June 18, Montgomery Presbyterian Church, 638 Mill St., Belleville. Clowns, face painting, crafts, games, bake sale, food. Magic show begins at 1 and 4 p.m. \$2 adults, \$1.50 kids.

Picnic buffet with home cooked food, noon, June 22, Holy Face Monastery, Vincent Drive (off Grove St.), Clifton. Sponsored by St. Mary's Hospital Guild. \$15. Call 365-0781 or 470-3047.

Bus ride to Atlantic City, June 26. Bus leaves Italian American Club 8:30 p.m. \$20. Sponsored by Belleville/Nutley Columbus Day Parade Committee. For info or tickets, call 667-0234.

Bus ride to Irish Festival at Garden State Arts Festival, June 26. Sponsored by Belleville Irish-American Association. Bus leaves K of C hall at 8 a.m. \$20 includes transportation, admission, refreshments on bus. For info, call Pat at 751-5308 or John at 759-0383.

Trip to Wildwood Crest, sponsored by St. Mary's Hospital Guild, Sept. 5 to Sept. 9, \$239 per person, double occupancy. Includes four nights at Acadia Oceanfront Hotel, four breakfasts, three dinners, musical production show, Atlantic City casino trip, sightseeing boat cruise, visit to Cape May, cocktail party and more. Bus leaves St. Mary's 10 a.m. For info and reservations, call Mary Bein at 470-3047.

Other events...

Canadian pilgrimage, Aug. 7-13. \$370 double occupancy. Sponsored by Bloomfield K of C and Columbiettes. Call Rose Ruffalo at 743-8688 for reservations and more information.

The Kid's Corner now registering for fall term. After school child care at Park United Methodist Church, Broad St., Bloomfield. Kindergarten through grade 5. Transportation available. For information, call 429-9667 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Vacation Bible School, 9:30 a.m. to noon, July 11 to 15, Montgomery Presbyterian Church, Belleville, 638 Mill St., Belleville. Kindergarten through 6th grade. For info, call 759-7414 or 759-2747.

Free health screenings at Montclair Community Hospital, 120 Harrison Ave., Montclair. Call 744-7300 for mandatory appointments. June 18: eye screening, Dr. Origlieri; June 25, skin cancer, Dr. Bergamo.

Retirement dinner to honor Morris Paserchia, head custodian, School 3, Belleville, 7 p.m. June 22, Branch Brook Manor, Belleville. \$25. For reservations, call 450-4331 or 450-3530.

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.

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

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

Belleville 1944, 3 Ode Place, Piscataway 08854-2818.

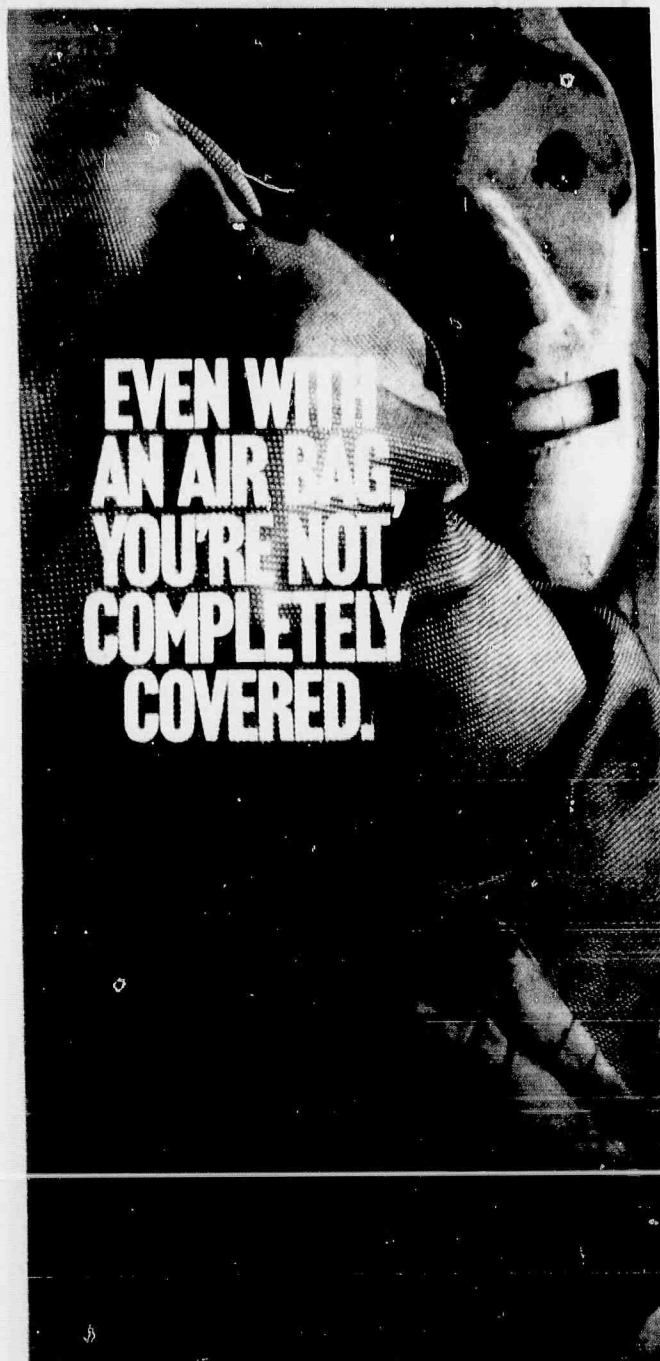
Nutley 1989, Saturday, Aug. 13, Bumper's at the Clifton Ramada Inn. Contact ReBecca Kane at 661-5024 by May 25.

Belleville 1985, planning reunion. For info on first committee meeting, write Class of '85, c/o 15 Smallwood Ave., Belleville 07109.

Bloomfield 1969, 25-year reunion Oct. 8, Marriott, Saddle Brook. Joanne Wohlbold/Gabriele, 667-9245; John Vargo, 338-5359; Jay Baumgardner, 743-8382.

Belleville 1945, planning 50-year reunion. Viola Scribner Mueller, 2420 Hulick Place, Rahway, 07065, (908) 382-0430; Pat Ford Paganelli, 45 Trafalgar Drive, Colonia, 07067, (908) 381-2143; Alex Sullivan Mische, 106 Warren St., Nutley; Frank Bernis, 455 Mt. Prospect Ave., Clifton, 07012.

Irvington High School, Classes of 1945, planning 50th reunion. Gloria Rohstein Rosenkrantz, (908) 255-8435.



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Helen E. Franciosi engaged to Victor Fano

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Franciosi of Nutley announce the engagement of their daughter, Helen E., to Victor M. Fano, son of Mrs. Anita Fano of Newark and the late Salvatore Fano.

The wedding is planned for 1996.

Miss Franciosi, an alumna of Nutley High School and Parisian

Beauty Academy, attended Scott College in Iowa. She is a cosmetologist at Afterimage, Davenport, Iowa.

Mr. Fano, a graduate of Immaculate Conception High School, attended Bloomfield College. He is a student at Palmer College of Chiropractic in Iowa.

Auto vacation costs fall, says AAA, for first time in five years

For the first time in five years, vacations by car will cost slightly less this summer, reports the AAA New Jersey Automobile Club.

An average family of four should expect to pay \$225.30 per day for lodging, meals and auto expenses. That's 30 cents less than last year and the first time average auto vacation costs have declined since 1989 when the average cost was \$192.

The average daily cost for food and lodging remains \$188, the same as last year. Meal costs increased \$1 to \$100, not including tips or cocktails. Lodging expenses fell \$1 from a year ago to \$88 per night. On a trip of 300 miles, a car averaging 21 miles per gallon costs \$27.30 to run, 30 cents less than 1993.

Stable auto travel costs can be attributed to generally lower fuel prices and heightened competition in the lodging and restaurant indus-

try. Auto vacations costs depend on a variety of circumstances, such as destination, travel dates and family preferences. It generally costs more to travel during peak periods and near major cities or to popular attractions.

Have the family vehicle thoroughly inspected by a certified technician prior to your vacation. And carry traveler checks and a major credit card to make all financial transactions easy and safe.

Vecchiones celebrate golden anniversary

Al and Lucy Vecchione of Belleville recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with their family at the Chandelier, Belleville.

The couple has two daughters, Lucille Albanese and Linda Vecchione, and three grandchildren.

The couple was married April

16, 1944 in St. Lucy's Church, Newark.

They are active in many civic organizations, including the Belleville Italian-American Civic Association, Concerned Citizens of Belleville, Senior Citizens Club of Tuesday and Friday, Festa Italiana, Auxiliary Police and Senior Citizens Advisory Board.



Mr. and Mrs. Al Vecchione

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Amber Marie Mastellone

A first child, a daughter, Amber Marie, was born to Anthony Mastellone and Susan Tierney of Belleville May 11 at Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville. Birth weight was 6 pounds, 1 ounce.

Ms. Tierney is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tierney of Riverside, California. Paternal grandparents are Joseph Mastellone of Roselle Park and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tichaz of Mystic Island. He is self-employed.

Gianna Marie Feaster

A second child, a daughter, Gianna Marie, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Mark Feaster of Nutley June 4 at Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville. Birth weight was 7 pounds, 5 ounces. She joins Mark James, two.

Mrs. Feaster is the former Donna Luzzi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Luzzi of Belleville. Mr. Feaster, son of Claire Feaster of Paramus, is president of Pre-Vue Refolding, Inc.

Cristina Wyetta Robinson

A first child, a daughter, Cristina Wyetta, was born to David Robinson and Olga Rodriguez of Belleville June 2 at Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville. Birth weight was 6 pounds, 15 ounces.

Ms. Rodriguez is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jose Rodriguez of Newark. Mr. Robinson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Robinson.

Christina Marie Murray

A second child, a daughter, Christina Marie, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Scott Murray of Bloomfield May 27 at Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville. Birth weight was 8 pounds, 12 ounces. She joins Scott, three and a half.

Mrs. Murray is the former Robyn Lusnia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Lusnia of Belleville. She is a senior secretary at Hoffmann-LaRoche. Mr. Murray, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Murray of Belleville, is a tax supervisor with Toshiba Amer., Inc.

Angelina Marie Orefice

A third child, a daughter, Angelina Marie, was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Orefice of Belleville June 3 at Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville. Birth weight was 7 pounds, 7 ounces. She joins Christina, five and Stephanie, two.

Mrs. Orefice is the former Christine Novak, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Novak of Belleville. Mr. Orefice, son of Margaret Orefice of Nutley, is an H.V.A.C. maintenance technician with Valairco, Inc., Greenbrook.

William Anthony Shergalis

A first child, a son, William Anthony, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Mark Shergalis of Kinnelon June 5 at Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville. Birth weight was 7 pounds, 8 ounces.

Mrs. Shergalis is the former Gina Troise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Troise of Belleville and Lakewood. She is an insurance agent with Troise Insurance Agency, Inc., Belleville. Mr. Shergalis, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Shergalis of Whiting, formerly of Nutley, is an engineer with the Morris County Nursing Home, Morristown.

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Mr. and Mrs. Michael Greco - nee Rosa Ann Gallo

Rosa Ann Gallo bride of Michael Greco

Rosa Ann Gallo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Santo Gallo of Orange, and Michael Anthony Greco, son of Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Greco of Nutley, exchanged wedding vows January 2 in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Orange.

Father Achilles performed the ceremony which was followed by a reception at Macaluso's, Hawthorne.

Linda Gallo served as her sister's maid of honor. Bridesmaids included Michele Greco, Tina Schneider, Antonette Biundo and Silvana Cosentini.

Richard Pastore served as the

best man. Ushers included Patrick DeVaney, Steven Quigero, Dominick Garibaldi and Peter Leosakis. The ringbearer was Michael Russo.

Mrs. Greco, an alumna of Columbia High School, is a secretary for Workmen's Auto Insurance in San Bruno, California.

Mr. Greco, an alumnus of Nutley High School and Montclair State College, is the Western Regional Manager for Kislak Lease Services in San Mateo, California.

The couple currently resides in Foster City, California.

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By Mike Lambert



Welcome to Municipal Stadium, Mayor Perna

So, finally, we know the problem with Municipal Stadium. I can't believe it wasn't noticed sooner. Thank goodness it took our Mayor, **Marina Perna**, to explain why Belleville's Municipal Stadium and its related facilities continues to deteriorate.

Now, we know the reason.

In last week's issue of the Belleville Times, a page one article on the subject of the stadium, written by Editor **Richard Dickon**, quotes Perna on the now famous **Jim Landon** plan to renovate the Municipal Stadium area.

At a recent Council meeting, the Mayor called the plans, "a wish list of what we'd love the stadium to look like."

So that's it!

We can't get this place suitable for high school tennis matches and track meets because plans to improve the facility are termed a "wish list".

And Landon's plan was certainly that, wasn't it?

After all, Jim, why did you draw up plans that included putting a dome on the football field? Was it really necessary to draw up plans that included artificial turf on the football field? And, as far as the tennis courts were concerned, was it really necessary to design the courts to look like those at Wimbledon? Wouldn't a regular court have been enough?

Oh, wait a minute! Landon's plans *didn't* call for the those wishful ideas. What exactly was the "wish list" here?

Was it wishful thinking to want our athletes to compete at home? Was it wishful thinking to design a set of plans that might make our stadium more beautiful?

When Mr. Landon first presented these plans to the Council about three years ago, did you then, Mayor, tell the Committee that the plans were just a "wish list"?

Did you tell them, Mayor, to modify the plans, or to lower their expectations?

"She didn't tell us that then," said **Bruce Morgan**, a member (for another two weeks) of the Recreation and Advisory Council that was appointed by the Township Council for the express purpose of putting together a plan to make the Stadium more enticing and upgraded.

"When we first started to devise our plan for rehabbing the stadium, we had a lot of ideas," Morgan said. Yes, some of them were on the wish list category. But after working on the final presentation, it seemed a feasible plan.

"In the same instance where Landon's plan was considered a wish list, she makes reference to the various phases of supposed renovation," Morgan said. "She mentions the tennis courts and the parking facilities that would be added, which was a part of Landon's plan. But it's still a wish list."

The "wish list" is a set of architectural plans, (which you will all see in next week's issue) designed by Landon to improve the area. There was no major restructuring, other than adding some needed parking spots. (Shame on you Jim! Don't be so wishful!)

It was such a wishful concept that, a few years ago, the Township Council approved Phase I of Landon's plan and supposedly appropriated \$75,000 toward that plan. The Landon Plan was presented to the Council not once, but twice and on both instances, it was met with a great deal of admiration on the part of the Township Council.

At the recent Council meeting, **Barbara Lawton** of Bruno Associates commented that "Belleville is in exactly the same situation as last September. You have to resolve the problem (in this case a pending lawsuit that the Township has been embroiled in in excess of two years) in order to close out the project. Once you do so, you can submit as-built plans (plans such as the wishful Landon Plan) and Green Acres *will be thrilled to entertain your application.*"

As most of you know, Green Acres is the funding that Belleville could have received to implement the aforementioned "wish list". But, because of litigation pertaining to a restraining wall that was part of the last Green Acres funding when the Stadium was rebuilt, the Township is at a standstill.

"The Township attorney advised the Council on a few occasions to settle the lawsuit. It wasn't necessary and it will be very difficult, if at all possible, to win," Morgan said.

So, we have sat here and watched this place fall apart for two years while Council has bickered over a legal battle that their own attorneys have told them is far from winnable.

Meanwhile, our athletes have to hit the road because we can't get a decent tennis court or running track.

And, you need only look at neighboring towns like Nutley, Bloomfield and Kearny and you'll see some beautiful facilities that give the entire area a great deal of pride.

But, here in Belleville, where I'm sure you pay a *great deal of property tax dollars*, our kids can't even play a varsity tennis match because of the holes on the tennis courts and can't run a track meet because the track isn't designed properly and has deteriorated into dirt.

Kearny recently implemented Green Acres funding to re-do Gunnell Oval. The town already has a state-of-the-art all weather track and now the Oval has been refurbished under the Green Acres grant and a low interest loan supplied to the town from the state.

Nutley used Green Acres to refurbish its already modern track on Wilson Avenue.

And, now here in Belleville, we have a Council that has done nothing for nine months to try and obtain funding to improve the facility and the Mayor's contribution to the Landon Plan, after three years, is that it's a "wish list".

Other council members make mention of the water table that has been an issue of the stadium for the past 50 years. They talk about raising the football field, and bringing in 12,000 yards of fill to raise

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SPORTS

Giachetti, Pisco, Galioto excelled in '94

A.C. (.493 Avg) leads Lady Bucs

By Mike Lambert

They finished four games above .500, placed third in a very competitive league and have formed a nucleus for a potentially strong club in 1995.

But, in the annals of Belleville softball, the '94 campaign might be considered somewhat disappointing.

"I think there was a lot of expectations heading into this year," said first year coach **Cheryl Marion**, who took over for legendary **Carl Corino**.

"Everyone expects more, because of the past successes and the starters that were returning this year. But the teams around us have some outstanding clubs, too, and, after a slow start, I think the kids played very well."

Belleville finished 15-11 this year, 7-5 in the NNJIL Pacific Division. The team essentially used one pitcher the entire season, **Kim Piscatowski**.

"Kimmy did a tremendous job, but throwing every day will take its toll," Marion said. "She stayed right in there, and came up with good numbers."

Piscatowski, a four year starter, was 14-11 this year. For her career, Piscatowski posted a 53-28 mark.

This season she struck out 114, allowed just 46 walks, tossed five shutouts and one no-hitter.

She finished one victory short of tying **Dina DeAquino** for most wins by a Belleville softball pitcher.

Senior **Kristin Galioto**, a centerfielder, did a tremendous job, especially on the defensive side.

"Kristin anchored the outfield," Marion said. "She was out there with two new varsity players and, despite a shoulder injury early in the year, she came around and played very well. She also gave us a key leadership role."

Galioto hit .278 this year, and was the leadoff hitter for a while before moving down in the lineup.

"We never established a regular

leadoff hitter," Marion conceded. "Kristin tried it, but she didn't feel that comfortable with it. Last year, we had **Jen Citarella** in that role, and she enjoyed it. It takes time to get accustomed to that role."

Senior shortstop **Lynn Giachetti** had a standout season. She hit .403, second on the team, and was a steady defensive force.

"Lynn was a three year starter for the program," Marion said. "We're going to miss her, not just for her play at short, but for her ability to get the team together. Thanks to our seniors, we had a real good year together. It was very enjoyable working with these kids."

Junior third baseman **Andrea Curran** was superb this year. "A.C." hit an incredible .493, with six doubles, one triple, two homers, and 30 RBI's. She also stole 11 bases, which was very impressive on a team that didn't run very well.

Curran also struck out just four times all year.

"She was tremendous," Marion said of A.C. "She played all last summer and that really proved to be the difference. Her play from last year to this season was 100 percent better. It was a total change. She gave us power, speed and consistent hitting. Her play at third was nearly flawless."

Curran also pitched a game this year, beating Teaneck on a one-hitter late in the season.

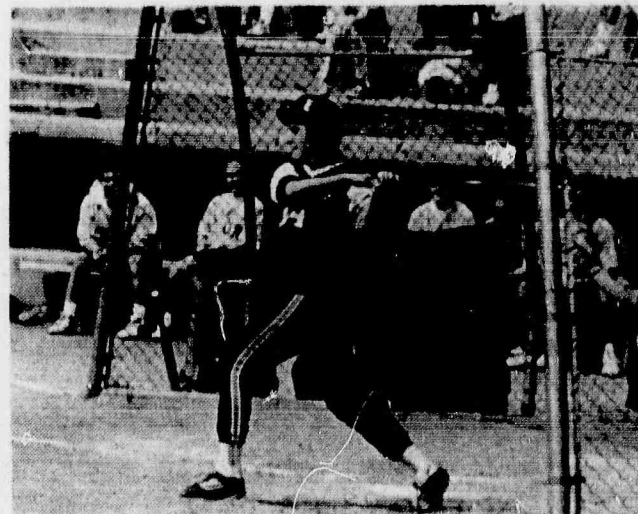
"She'll be the third baseman again next year," Marion said. "I doubt we'll be using her for any period of time on the mound. We need her more in the infield."

A.C. will lead a talented group of players next season. Junior second baseman **Natalie Cruise** came to the pre-season determined to win the job that was occupied for three years by **Citarella**.

"She came out of no-where to earn the varsity starting job," Marion said. "Her arm strength was much better and she earned the second baseman job right away."



Andrea Curran in an early season game. The junior led the Lady Bucs in a number of offensive categories and will be the leader of the 1995 club, along with some other talented underclassmen.



Jackie Cerami connects for hit during county game. Cerami had a good year at first base, hitting over .300 and providing good defense.

Like Curran, **Natalie** played during last summer, and it really showed in her performance."

Jackie Cerami had a solid year playing first base. The junior hit .310, with 26 ribbies, six doubles, three triples and five walks.

"We moved Jackie around in the lineup this year," Marion said, "and she did well in the power hitter position. She also gave us good defense at first base."

Freshman **Joelle DellaVolpe** was on the verge of a tremendous season before a broken wrist in the Clifton game sidelined her for three weeks.

"Joelle was becoming one of the catalysts of this team when she got hurt," Marion said. "She's a real good athlete, and her baserunning skills and abilities at the plate were becoming a big part of this team. When she got hurt, it took a little clout out of our attack."

DellaVolpe ended up hitting .306, with two doubles, three triples and one homer. She should be an integral part of Lady Buc softball for the next three springs.

Another athlete who fits that bill is sophomore **Danielle Brodo**.

"People sometime forget that Danielle is just a sophomore," Marion said. "She's been a varsity catcher for two years already and has done a good job with the pitching staff. She's getting better at throwing out runners (8 for 26 this year) and her batting is coming around."

Brodo hit .288, with 3 homers, 18 ribbies, two doubles, three triples and 16 runs scored.

Defensively, Brodo was impressive and she'll only get better in the next two campaigns.

Junior **Nicole Fornarotto** was the back-up catcher and hit .286 this year.

Freshman **Kim Mahoney** batted .262 and improved tremendously in the outfield. Mahoney has good speed on the basepaths and her

ability to hit lefthanded will only enhance the lineup in future seasons.

Jeanine Mazucca was a very pleasant surprise this year. The junior hit .345 and did a good job in the outfield.

"If every player had Jeannie's attitude and desire, I would have very little to do," Marion said. "She is a pleasure to coach and her hard work resulted in a good batting average. She should really help us next year."

Jeanne Torres did a good job in a versatile role this season. Torres played the outfield and infield in '94 and Marion feels she could be a candidate to fill the shortstop position next season.

"We have the nucleus of a good team next year," Marion said. "But look around at the teams we play. Immaculate Heart, Paramus, Nutley, Clifton, Caldwell, Bloomfield, Mt.St. Dominic and Livingston all have great pitching and excellent programs."

"These are teams we end up playing every year. The only way we'll be able to continue our success is by playing consistently over the summer."

Marion also expressed thanks to her coaching staff, assistant coaches **Sherri Jamison**, **Doug Stone** and **Angela Chimento**.

"I'd also like to thank **Steve McGrath** for his help in being our manager and doing the scorebook. He was a real big help."

NOTES: Marion is hopeful that the freshman softball program will be reinstituted next year. The Board of Education had to make cuts in the budget before the start of the 1993-94 school year which negated freshman athletics, for the most part.

"I had to cut ten freshman this year that normally would be playing freshman softball," Marion said. "We still kept 13 freshman, but without that program, a lot of kids won't get the chance to play."

Molina advances to All Group finals

By Mike Lambert

While their "home" (don't laugh) track continues to be administered by people who could care less if they compete at home before the year 2000, the Belleville track team continues the old road show with some good performances.

At the County championships on May 20 and 21, head coach **John Tosato** watched his team do a respectable job.

Tristyn Kvetkus ran the 100 meters in 12.2 and the 200 in 24.8. **Reina Silva** finished the 800 meters in 2:49.7. **Stephanie Brunello** and **Silva** both ran the 1600 meters, with times of 6:07 and 6:21 respectively.

Nick Colucci ran the 400 meter hurdles in 63.8 and **Frank Marrero** and **Robert Allen** competed in the

shot, with distances of 38'2" and 37'8" respectively.

Ed Molina, who finished second in the javelin at the NNJIL championships, threw 131'9" at the county while conference champ **Kay Kuebler** threw 122'.

May 24, at Bloomfield: The Bucs dropped an 89-31 decision to the Bengals, with **Allen** throwing 89'9" in the discus (a personal best) and **Joe Romano** ran 25.9 in the 200 meters.

May 25, at Don Bosco Prep: Guess what? This was the inaugural race at Don Bosco's NEW all-weather track. The home team had a good race against the Bucs, winning handily.

Some strong performances were turned in by Belleville. **Joe Colucci** ran a 4:54 in the 1600 meters, a personal best for him. **Phong**

Nguyen finished second in the two mile, long jump and triple jump.

May 28, State Sectional Championships: **Kvetkus** ran the 100 and 200 meters, with times of 12.6 and 25.7 respectively.

Marrero had a personal best in the shot put (39'5 1/2") and **Kuebler** threw the javelin 117'8".

The story of the meet was the performance of **Molina**, who took fifth overall in the javelin with a throw of 144'7".

That performance was good enough to move Molina to the All Group championships that were held in early June.

"Ed did a real good job at the sectionals," Tosato said. "He went on to the All Groups at South Plainfield and threw well."

"Only the top five throwers were

measured, so Ed's distances were not recorded, but it's a very good accomplishment to just make it to the All Groups. The performances

of some of our younger athletes was also good to see."

Also at the sectionals, **Brunello** had a good race in the 1600 meters (6:10.9) which was good for 12th place overall in a very competitive field.

We'll have a complete wrap up of the track team in an upcoming issue.

If you want to know more about the neglect given our athletic facilities at Municipal Stadium which precludes our track team from competing at home, see this weeks (and many weeks to come) Buc Shots.

Stallions capture NESSL Championship, 1-0

The Northeast Super Soccer League (NESSL) Championship was played on June 8 at North Hempsted Park, New Hyde Park, N.Y., between the N.J. Stallions and the All-State American teams.

The New Jersey Stallions defeated the All-State Americans by the score of 1-0.

In front of a large crowd, the game started fast and furious. All-State attacked frequently but was repelled by the well-organized defense of the Stallions. The Stallions retaliated with counterattacks and twice hit the goal post.

In the 31st minute of the first half the Stallions scored the only goal of the match. Fred



1994 NESSL CHAMPS: The N.J. Stallions, who play their home games at Belleville's Municipal Stadium, captured the title, 1-0.

Cobras wrap up successful season

In the final week of their season, the Belleville Cobras displayed the type of soccer that makes champions.

The Cobras, the Division 1 entry of the Belleville Soccer Association, battled the first place Iselin Phantoms to a scoreless tie on Saturday, then recovered to beat the Branchburg Eagles, 2-1, on Sunday. The Cobras ended their season with a record of 6-3-1, clinching second place for the third consecutive year.

Against Iselin, Belleville was forced to play the game with only nine out of a regular 11 players. This shortage proved to be an advantage as the local squad was able to keep the field spread and even get a few offensive opportunities.

Captain Mike Percio had another fine outing, stopping all eight of the opposition's attempts, many of which were from close range. Excellent defense was played by Santiago Salme, Anthony Rasczyk, Mike Corino, and Frank Toledo. The midfield, which was comprised of Diego Paredes, Christian Castro, Marcelo Giorlando, and Frank Tafur, were superb. the midfield

quartet was able to play defense while keeping Iselin's defenders back in the event of an offensive attack.

The game was marred by various altercations that resulted in three Iselin players and one Belleville player being ejected from the game.

Against Branchburg, Belleville started strong, scoring the first two goals, then withheld a strong counterattack, and held on for the victory. Victor Guevara started the scoring, getting an assist from Rasczyk. Moments later, Belleville received a throw-in. Stan Saja took the long throw and put it on the head of Guevara. Guevara put the ball behind him to Giorlando, who promptly headed the ball into the back of the net.

Although Belleville finished in second place, only the first place team is allowed to advance to the playoffs due to league rules. This means that for the third consecutive year the locals can only look ahead to next season. Coaches Tim Cook and Bill Cook would like to wish their players a great summer, and congratulate them for a tremendous season.

Buc Shots

(Continued from page 13)

the levels of the practice soccer and football fields.

Hello? THE TRACK AND TENNIS TEAMS HAVE NOT BEEN HOME FOR THE PAST SEVEN YEARS!!!!!!!!!!!!!! SHOULDN'T THAT BE PRIORITY NUMBER ONE!!!!!! THE FOOTBALL FIELD AND PRACTICE FIELDS ADJACENT TO THE STADIUM CERTAINLY NEED WORK, BUT LET'S GET OUR KIDS HOME FIRST, THEN WORRY ABOUT RAISING THE FOOTBALL FIELD A FEW FEET.

WHAT WILL IT TAKE TO REPAIR THE TENNIS COURTS? WE'RE NOT LOOKING TO HOLD THE U.S. OPEN HERE NEXT YEAR !!!!!!!

"The tennis courts have been bidden on on two different occasions, as far as I know," Morgan said. "But, as you can see, nothing has been done."

Now, are you ready for some more good news? Lawton told the governing body that Green Acres is now changing its policy and will consider land acquisitions first, then, if monies are left, redevelopment plans.

Also, Green Acres, which use to fund as much as 75 percent of a project, will now fund just 25 percent.

Lawton also said that, even if the applications and plans were filed now, the Township wouldn't see the monies until OCTOBER OF 1995. That's two more school years, and does that mean that our kids will be on the road until the next Presidential election?

Getting back to the lawsuit that has held up the chances of obtaining Green Acres funding to date, I wonder, *how much in legal fees has the Council incurred to keep this litigation in process? Could those monies have been better used to fix the tennis courts?*

Perna made reference to the last time Belleville utilized Green Acres funding, back in the late 1980's. Those funds (approximately \$500,000.00) were used for "beautification" of the stadium.

Beautification? The Stadium (*and this is no fault of our current Government*) had deteriorated over the years to the point where the structure was in disarray. The funds were used to bring the Stadium (and I'm talking about the grandstand area) into acceptable shape, along with providing the necessary handicapped priorities.

The grandstands themselves are far from beautiful. The lockerrooms are pathetic and there aren't any public bathrooms in the facility, unless there is a game going on and the Stadium is in use.

So, where do we stand now? If we ever settle this lawsuit, we could apply for Green Acres funding, but the monies will not be available for 18 to 24 months. In the meantime, July 1 will signify the start of a new Belleville Government, and with it, a new Mayor and restructured council. How long will it take before the new regime decides to take a look at this problem?

But at least we know now why the Stadium and the surrounding area continues to be ignored and neglected.

This was all a "wish list".

Stay tuned, folks, because this "wishful" column plans on a lot more research as to why Municipal Stadium is in its current state of disarray.

We'll discuss the early days of then-Township Manager **Bertrand Kendall's** tenure and how, at one time, there was a certain amount of cooperation in the hope of refurbishing this area.

"Kendall really cared about this issue," Morgan said.

"He was a very helpful and acted on issues," said current Belleville High School Athletic Director **Karen Fuccello**.

In the end, the ultimate question is this?

Will the Belleville High School girls' tennis team be able to compete at Belleville High School next fall? Will the track team call Municipal Stadium home next spring?

Stay tuned. There's plenty more to come.

Bruins bounce Hillside in five innings

By Mike Lamberti

Plenty of offense, questionable pitching.

That's been the early line on the 1994 Belleville Bruins. Thankfully for the team, the offense has stayed ahead of the pitching and the result is a 6-3 mark heading into this weeks action.

Bill Ingraham's club will host Newark this Saturday, commencing at 5 p.m. On Sunday, it's off to South Orange for a doubleheader, beginning at 2 p.m. Next Tuesday, the Bruins play at Millburn and next Wednesday, it's off to Livingston. Those two games both start at 6 p.m.

Belleville, which won 25 of 40 regular season games last year, is in second place in the early going in '94, trailing only the defending Essex County Baseball League champs Verona, in the standings.

Last Sunday, Belleville won a 21-1 decision over Hillside in a game that lasted just five innings.

Frank Orrei, a familiar name to Belleville High School baseball fans, pitched a complete game and he received plenty of help.

The Bruins scored nine times in the first inning to put the game out of reach.

Tom Nieman was 2 for 4 with five ribbies. Scott Jawdrowcz was 3 for 4 and scored five runs. Mike Powers finished 2 for 2 and scored five times. Jason Nardachone scored three times.

Triples were hit by Nieman, Mario Ramos, Joe DeLanza and Rich Quine.

Belleville lost a tough game to a good South Orange squad, 4-3.

In that game, the Bruins fell behind 3-0 in the first, but rallied back on a two run homer by Rich Quine in the last of the first inning.

Nardachone's RBI single in the sixth inning cut South Orange's lead to 4-3, but Belleville couldn't get any closer.

The game ended in classic style. Belleville loaded the bases with two outs. Joe DeLanza blasted a long drive to deep centerfield, but the ball was hauled in at the warning track and the game ended.

The Bruins pitching, was has been somewhat shaky in the early going, could received a boost when Tim Byron reports to the team.

For those of you who followed high school baseball in Northern New Jersey, Byron was one of the better hurlers in the late 1970's.

Byron starred for Our Lady of the Valley High School and once locked up in a pitchers duel with Belleville's Dan Borgo during the 1979 campaign.

That game, played under the lights at Valley, saw Valley squeak out a 2-1 decision over George

Zanfini's team.

Byron was being touted by major league scouts for a while and enjoyed a good career past high school.

He is today a successful high school baseball coach in the Northern New Jersey area.

Needless to say, the Bruins hope he can bring to them what he once did for Valley High School over a decade ago.

NOTES: As mentioned, the offense has been very good. Mike DeBiase is hitting .385, DeLanza is hitting .370, Quine, a 1992 BHS graduate, is clubbing the ball at a .453 clip, Nardachone, a '91 BHS grad, is hitting .414, Mike Powers is at .429, Jim Landon, who will graduate Belleville High School in a few weeks, is hitting .353, Vin Mazzilli is hitting .400 and Scott Jawdrowcz is batting a ballistic .643, with nine hits in his first 14 at bats.

On the pitching side, Ingraham is 2-0 with a respectable 3.50 ERA. Sal Tremel, DeBiase, Scott Barber and Orrei have the other four victories to date.

The closer role in the bullpen belongs to "The Eck", Paul Mirabella, the former major league pitcher.

Mirabella has an ERA of zero in five appearances. He's pitched five innings, striking out six and walking one.

Bruins are in the midst of a long road trip. After this Saturday's game with Newark, they don't return home until July 10, with a doubleheader at 2 p.m. against Union.

The team has a make up game against Verona scheduled soon and last Monday's game with South Orange, scheduled at Municipal Stadium, was postponed due to wet grounds. It will be made up at a later date.

Verona, by far the dominant team in the ECBL the past few years, is led by two former Belleville High School stars, Jeff Spillsbury and Jamie Galioto.

Bruins schedule

June 18	Newark, 5 p.m.	July 6	at Verona
June 19	at South Orange (doubleheader)	July 10	Union (doubleheader)
June 21	at Millburn	July 11	Millburn
June 22	at Livingston	July 12	Crescent Yanks at Union H.S.
June 26	Crescent Yanks (doubleheader)	July 13	Millburn
June 28	vs. Union at Kean College		doubleheaders are 2 p.m. starts all other games are 6 p.m. starts

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8:30pm Spotlight on Rock & Roll
9:00pm It's In The Stars Live*
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10:00pm Meadowlands Showcase

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7:00pm Spotlight on Rock & Roll
7:30pm Caring & Sharing
8:00pm Film Flicks & Video Pix*
8:30pm Middle Eastern TV
10:00pm Bubble Break
11:00pm Carol & Carol Psychic Talk Show

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6:00pm Sudzin Country Videos
7:00pm Film Flicks & Video Pix*
7:30pm Special Program
8:00pm Front Page Edition*
8:30pm Jersey Music & Video Spotlight
9:00pm Zorel (r)

Saturday

10:30am Front Page Edition*
11:00am The Theresa Nance Show*
11:30am Inside Education
12Noon Video Fashion
6:30pm The Mark Dacey Show*
7:00pm Jersey Spotlight

Sunday

9:00am Ambassador of Grace Ministry
10:30am Essex Digest
11:00am Special Program
11:30am Health Issues*
12Noon Front Page Edition*
12:30pm The Bubble Break
4:00pm After Hours*
5:00pm Bringing Italy To You
6:00pm Vincent Methodist Church
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10:00pm Spotlight on Rock & Roll
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Robert G. Fox, 68

Robert G. Fox, 68, of Greensboro, N.C., formerly of Belleville, died in Moses H. Cone Hospital in Greensboro. Mr. Fox moved to Greensboro two weeks ago from Belleville.

Born in Forsyth, N.C., Fox retired in 1984 after 31 years with Falstrom Steel Manufacturing Company, Passaic, as a shipping foreman.

He is survived by his wife,

Hazel (Purdue) Fox and the late Carmella (Saragusa) Fox; a son, Steve; two daughters, Donna Ferguson and Linda Amato; a sister, Becky Coffee; three brothers, Bynum, Bill and David and grandson Robert Amato.

Rev. Carolyn Lumbard, from Christ Episcopal Church, Belleville, officiated at the service, with burial in Glendale Cemetery.

Ignazio DiGangi, 67

Ignazio DiGangi, 67, of Belleville, died June 8 in the Clara Maass Medical Center.

DiGangi was a self-employed contractor in the Belleville and Nutley area for 30 years.

He served in the Navy during World War II.

Born in Newark, he lived in

Belleville most of his life.

Surviving are his mother, Mary; a brother, Joseph, and two stepsons, Brooks and Taylor Vick.

A Mass was offered June 12 in Holy Family Church, Nutley, after the funeral from the Biondi Funeral Home of Nutley.

John N. Peraino, 66

John N. Peraino, 66, a lifelong Belleville resident, died May 13 at Clara Maass Medical Center.

Peraino worked in the Maintenance Department of the Lincoln Tunnel Port Authority of New York/New Jersey for 25 years, retiring eight years ago.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia (Nee Long); one son, Karen Silverman; and four sisters, Jean Sauchelli, Rose Oliva, Mary Della Volpe, and Ann Puma.

A Mass was held May 16 at Holy Family Church in Nutley. Funeral was from Megaro Memorial Home. Internment was at Holy Cross Cemetery, North Arlington.

Edward Byrne, 81

Edward D. Byrne, 81, of Toms River, formerly of Belleville, died June 2 in Kimball Medical Center, Lakewood.

Byrne was an assembler for 30 years with Rowe Manufacturing Co., Whippany, before retiring 20 years ago.

A native of Belleville, he moved to Toms River 10 years ago.

Surviving are his wife, Ruth;

three daughters, Mrs. Barbara Tobin, Mrs. Carole Cashill and Mrs. Patricia Wren; two sisters, Mrs. Catherine Donnelly and Mrs. Margaret McNally; nine grandchildren and a great grandchild.

A mass was offered June 6 in Holy Family Church, Nutley. The funeral was from the Kiernan Funeral Home, Belleville.

Obituaries

Walter J. Kowalski, 84

Walter J. Kowalski, 84, died June 8 at Mountainside Hospital in Glen Ridge.

Born in Perth Amboy, he had been living in Belleville for 37 years, coming from Bloomfield.

Kowalski was a Foreman for Hoffman LaRoche in Nutley for 31 years, retiring 20 years ago.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs.

Barbara Robe; one brother, John; and five grandchildren.

The funeral was June 11 from the S.W. Brown & Son Funeral Home, Nutley, following a funeral mass at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church in Nutley. Internment was at Glendale Cemetery in Bloomfield.

Rose Mastrosimone, 77

Mrs. Rose Mastrosimone, 77, died June 7 in Mountainside Hospital, Glen Ridge.

Before retiring five years ago, she was a self-employed real estate salesperson in Essex County for 25 years.

Born in Newark, she lived in Nutley before moving to Belleville.

Surviving are her husband, Frank R. Mastrosimone; a son

Robert J.; a daughter, Mrs. Deborah Chéverie; two sisters, Mrs. Marie Moscara and Mrs. Bea Schilliro; five grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

A Mass was held June 11 in St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Bloomfield, following a funeral from S.W. Brown & Son Funeral Home, Nutley.

Students sought for exchange program on Italian Riviera

The Township Mayor and Council, in cooperation with the Board of Education, will be offering a student exchange to the township of Lavagna, a city on the Italian Riviera.

Students interested in participating will be asked to host one visiting student from Italy, for 10 days around June 27, and the Belleville student will be departing to Lavagna at or around July 6, also for 10 days.

The only cost to students will be about \$900 for airfare. Additional costs will be incurred if students wish to take "small-fly" trips to the cities of Monte Carlo, Piza, Florence or Genoa. These trips would be taken with the Italian families.

This unique travel opportunity is open to all Belleville students or any students who are interested. Call 284-0442 for more information.

Program offers Friendly help to senior residents

The Friendly Visitor Program of Community Mental Health Services, serving Belleville, Bloomfield and Nutley, held its Annual Volunteer Recognition Dinner on Wednesday, May 25, at the Fewsmithe Presbyterian Church in Belleville.

Fifty Volunteers and guests celebrated 17 years of volunteer services to the elderly in Belleville, Bloomfield and Nutley.

Guest speakers were Robert O'Brien and Dorothy Chown, Charter Members of the Friendly Visitor Program, who are active volunteers with the program. They reflected on the beginnings with the six charter members, their dreams and how it became a reality.

The Friendly Visitor Program is a supervised community service designed to support frail elderly in the community. Anyone over 60 residing in Belleville, Bloomfield or Nutley and in need of companionship, grocery shopping, or telephone reassurance is eligible for the Friendly Visitor Program.

Volunteers offer friendship, understanding, and companionship on a regular basis to individuals who have limited access to outside activities.

For further information please contact the Friendly Visitor Program at 450-3100.

NOTICE

American REF-Fuel Company of Essex County has scheduled an annual open meeting for the Essex County Resource Recovery Facility to be held in conjunction with the Essex County Solid Waste Advisory Council (SWAC) June 28, 1994 meeting. Time: 2:00 PM. This meeting is required in accordance with NJAC7:26-2B. 4 (a) 21.11. The location of the meeting is 183 Raymond Boulevard in Newark in the third floor conference room. For additional information please call Pam Steinlauf at 201-344-0900.

Notice: The location of the June 28, 1994 meeting of the Essex County Solid Waste Advisory Council has been changed. The new location is American REF-Fuel of Essex County, 183 Raymond Boulevard, Newark, NJ - Third Floor Conference Room. Time: 2:00 PM. The Belleville Times Published: 6-16-94 Fee: \$23.25 B94-309

West Hudson Hospital Expands "CARE CONNECTION" Service to Belleville and Nutley

"The Care Connection", a free transportation service for ambulatory patients sponsored by West Hudson Hospital, has expanded its operations to include the communities of Belleville and Nutley.

The service is designed to provide safe, reliable and convenient door-to-door, round trip, transportation to West Hudson Hospital, located in Kearny, and the private offices of affiliated physicians, for medically-related visits between the hours of 7:00 am and 3:00 pm.

Patients using "The Care Connection" must have a confirmed appointment at West Hudson Hospital or with a physician who has privileges to practice medicine at West Hudson Hospital, and must be able to enter and exit "The Care Connection" van with minimal assistance. Reservations can be made up to 7:00 pm the day prior to the scheduled appointment.

Patients scheduled for Hospital admission, pre-Admission Testing, same day surgery procedures, and a host of other outpatient services, including but not limited to X-rays, laboratory test, and oncology ser-

vices, are encouraged to use the service.

According to Carmen B. Alecci, Chief Executive Officer at West Hudson Hospital, "The Care Connection" service was initiated in July, 1993, to fill a void in transportation services to the Hospital and physicians offices for necessary tests, examinations, treatments, therapies, and procedures. It has achieved the goal of providing easy and convenient access to trained healthcare professionals, modern healthcare facilities and a host of medical services for the entire service area population during prime daytime hours.

The program has grown from 40 trips during its first month of operations to over 900 trips during May, 1994.

To schedule free transportation to and from West Hudson Hospital and/or an affiliated physicians office, or to receive additional information concerning "The Care Connection", please contact 955-7777 between 7:00 am and 7:00 pm throughout the week.

Conte honored as educator

Belleville resident Lou Conte received the "Distinguished Leadership in Education" Award from the Benedetto Croce Educational Society at the Society's Annual Awards Dinner, held last month at La Grande Maison.

Conte is employed at the Newark Board of Education School District as the Assistant Director of Human Resource Services.

He has been active in for many years in Belleville's Recreation

Program. He served as a baseball coach and as President of the Belleville Parents of Wrestlers Association.

Born in Newark, Conte has resided in Belleville since 1974 with his wife Angela, sons Michael and Anthony, and daughter Gina.

The Benedetto Croce Educational Society has been in existence since 1931. The society is named in honor of Benedetto Croce, the famous Italian writer, philosopher, teacher and statesman.

Recreation Dept. announces registration for cheerleaders

The Belleville Recreation Department has announced that application for the Junior Bucs Cheerleading Squads will be available as of May 31 at the Recreation Department office, 407 Joralemon St.

Three Junior Bucs Cheerleading Squads will be selected, one each for the "A," "B," and "C" traveling

football teams.

Registration deadline for enrollment is June 24. Birth certificates will be required of all applicants.

Girls who will be in grades three through eight during the 1994-95 school year are eligible. All returnees must re-apply.

For other information, contact the recreation office at 450-3422.



Vincent Cozzarelli Reg. Ph.

A QUARTER ASPIRIN A DAY

The word has gone out that an aspirin a day can help adults prevent heart disease and second heart attacks. What many may not be aware of is the fact that a quarter of an aspirin tablet is as effective as the standard 325-milligram aspirin tablet in doing so. Studies have recently shown that aspirin helps protect people with histories of heart attacks, atherosclerosis, or unstable angina by reducing the ability of the blood's platelets to clump together to form clots. Further study now reveals that dosages as low as 40mg. to 70mg. are just as effective in their anti-clotting effect as larger doses. With this in mind, those engaging in aspirin therapy may want to discuss cutting their 325mg. tablets into quarters or taking children's aspirin.

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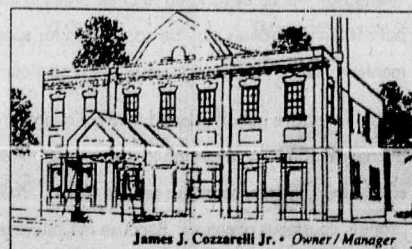
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Heart attacks: Are you at risk?

If you have high blood pressure, smoke cigarettes or have a high cholesterol level, you are at increased risk of having a heart attack.

The good news is that these risk factors can be controlled, according to Dan Fintel, M.D., Associate Director of Medical Intensive Care Facilities at Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago.

"Other conditions that can increase the risk of having a heart attack are excess weight, diabetes, a sedentary lifestyle, heredity and age," says Dr. Fintel.

How to lower your risk

Dr. Fintel recommends that you ask your doctor to assess your personal risk and discuss ways that you can lower it. Here are a few of the topics your doctor will probably cover:

- If left untreated, high blood pressure doubles the risk of heart disease; so, if medication is prescribed, take it as directed.

- You may want to ask if the medication you take is one that has been proven to reduce the risk of fatal heart attack. While many medications lower blood pressure, only one type of antihypertensive drug has been shown to protect the heart.

For example, the beta-blocker Lo-

pressor* (metoprolol) has been proven to prevent fatal heart attack better than diuretics (water pills). As with all drugs, Lopressor may cause side effects, most of which are mild and transient.

- If you smoke, you will undoubtedly be told to stop. Ask your doctor about support programs, groups that you can join, or methods that other patients have found helpful.

- If you have high cholesterol, you may be able to lower it by changing your diet, as a low-fat diet can reduce your cholesterol level significantly. If diet alone doesn't work, your doctor may prescribe medication.

- Finally, ask your doctor to help you work out a sensible exercise program that will benefit your heart and will help you lose or maintain your weight.

What to do if you have a heart attack

Remember, the most important thing to do if you think you are having a heart attack is get to the hospital fast. What if you're not sure? Here are some of the most common symptoms:

- Squeezing or pain in the center of the chest lasting two minutes or longer;
- Pain spreading to the shoulders, neck or arms;
- Dizziness, fainting, sweating, nausea or shortness of breath.

Gel May Help Those With Poor Circulation

(NU) - Consider the following scenario: An elderly woman falls and breaks her hip. Thanks to the miracles of modern surgery, she is provided with an artificial hip and is soon walking again. However, while recuperating in the hospital, she develops a seemingly minor bedsore on her foot. Due to poor circulation in her leg, the sore does not heal and eventually becomes infected and gangrenous. Tragically, her foot is amputated two years later.

This frustrating but realistic story may soon be outdated. Physicians have generally been stymied in their attempts to help heal relatively minor sores in patients with poor blood circulation. Thanks to a new treatment first tested in animals, physicians may now be able to accelerate healing in a way that mimics the body's natural processes.

Approximately four million Americans suffer from burns, wounds and sores that can fester for months or not heal at all. This includes one million diabetics with foot ulcers that result in more than 50,000 amputations each year.

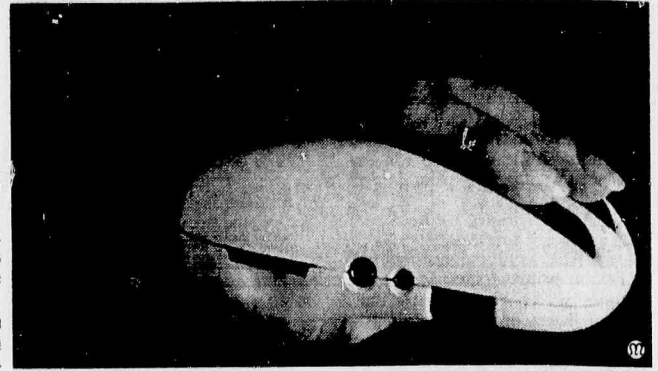
Sickle-cell disease, a genetic blood disorder, may also cause chronic, painful and disabling skin sores. Because these conditions often require lengthy antibiotic treatment, physical therapy, surgery and hospitalization, treatment and lost productivity cost tens of billions of dollars each year.

Recently, advances in basic cell biology, rather than specific targeted research, using mice, rats, newts, rabbits and goats, have resulted in a remarkable new topical gel that helps wounds and sores of all types close up and heal faster.

At the La Jolla Cancer Research Foundation, Drs. Erkki I. Ruoslahti and Michael D. Pierschbacher discovered a small fragment of a protein, abbreviated as RGD, that is crucially involved in how tissue naturally grows in the area between cells, known as the extracellular matrix. The gel containing RGD allows the body to heal itself by creating a sort of scaffold on which new cells can attach and grow. Thus, the body is stimulated to fill in the entire space of the wound, rather than slowly building new tissue, layer by layer.

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Sun exposure causes eye damage

With the warm weather upon us, many people have returned to outdoor activities, children and adults alike. With this in mind, it is very important for people to avoid over-exposure to the sun's ultraviolet radiation. We are constantly being made aware of the damage the sun can cause to skin, such as Sunburn, Blisters, and Cancer, but what about your eyes? Ultraviolet rays can damage your eyes; in fact, your eyes are more sensitive to U.V. rays than your skin. U.V. radiation can cause cataracts, and retinal damage, and other eye problems. In order to help reduce your risk, it is important to protect your eyes properly. Wearing sunglasses is an excellent way to protect your eyes,

however, you must make sure the lenses block 99-100% of the UVA and UVB rays and the lenses are large enough to protect your eyes adequately. Poor lenses put in small fashion frames for adults are not able to protect your eyes properly. Infants and children can also benefit from sunglasses. No one is too young to protect the health of their eyes. In addition to sunglasses, hat with wide brims offer added protection. If your child will not wear sunglasses, at least make sure they wear a wide brim hat. Do yourself a favor, start protecting your eyes now. This information courtesy of Dr. Walter Shurmsky 204 Franklin Ave., Nutley, NJ.

How to combat one of America's most misunderstood conditions

It's one of the leading reasons Americans see their doctors, but it doesn't make for appealing conversation. Irritable bowel syndrome (IBS) afflicts one in ten Americans and remains one of America's most misunderstood medical conditions.

First of all, the symptoms — often alternating bouts of diarrhea and constipation, along with cramps and gas — are extremely common. And the condition itself eludes simple definition.

IBS often is referred to as a disease of the young. That's because about half of the cases are diagnosed before age 35. Additionally, IBS is more common in whites than nonwhites and, in Western societies, is twice as prevalent in women as in men.

Causes of IBS may include stress, diet, hormonal changes or other factors. IBS is the most common gastrointestinal complaint for which patients seek medical treatment. Unfortunately, the majority of people with IBS don't get help. For many, education, dietary changes and stress reduction may relieve their symptoms. Medications which can help also exist.

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fiber, by regulating bowel function, also may help. Foods high in fiber include berries, beans, whole-grain foods and some vegetables. Also available are fiber products to supplement your diet.

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There really is no mystery when it comes to staying in shape. It's simple: eat right and exercise. This goes for people of all sizes and shapes. Even thin people should be concerned about their diets and get regular exercise. The list of benefits to be gained from exercise may be longer than you think.

Besides burning calories, regular exercise can help you feel like a new person. According to the National Cholesterol Education Program, exercising for 15 to 30 minutes three times a week will: give you more energy, relieve stress, give you added strength to work and play harder and longer, firm muscles, and allow you to fall asleep easier. Thanks to exercise, your body becomes a fine-tuned machine.

The benefits don't stop there. The National Cholesterol Education Program also advises that exercise helps fight heart disease and common health problems, too. Shaping up and staying fit helps you tackle problems like high blood pressure, high blood cholesterol, diabetes, and obesity. A healthy heart means a healthier life.

Cholesterol doesn't discriminate

Everyone — even thin people — should be concerned about their intake of fat and cholesterol. The higher your blood cholesterol level, the greater your chances of getting heart disease. High blood cholesterol doesn't discriminate, either. It affects people of every ethnicity, males and females, young and old, tall and short. And guess what? It can happen to you, too.

How high is your cholesterol?

Everyone should get their blood cholesterol levels checked regularly. According to The National Cholesterol Education Program, if your cholesterol level is 200 mg/dL (milligrams of cholesterol per deciliter of blood) or greater, it may be too high.

Most people can lower high blood cholesterol by changing the way they eat. This doesn't mean giving up all the foods you love. Instead, you can learn to prepare foods differently and eat certain foods less often and in smaller amounts.

For lowering blood cholesterol, remember: *less is more*. Eat less fat, eat less saturated fat, eat less of cholesterol-laden foods and, if you are overweight, lose weight. Another way to think of it is, *more is less*: eat more vegetables, eat more fruits and eat more grains.

Regular exercise and a proper diet is the key to a healthy life. It's easier to achieve than you may think, once you start. The hardest part is taking the first step.

For more information on exercise and diet as a method to prevent high blood cholesterol, write: The National Cholesterol Education Program, C-200, 4733 Bethesda Avenue, Suite 530, Bethesda, MD 20814.

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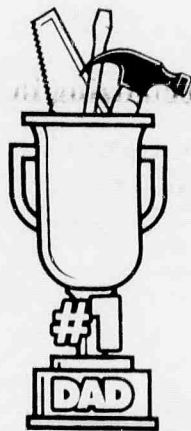
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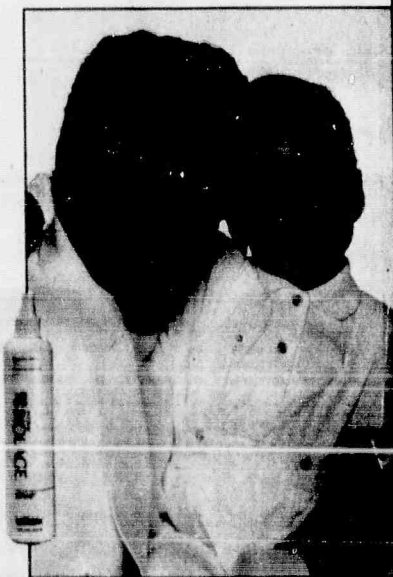
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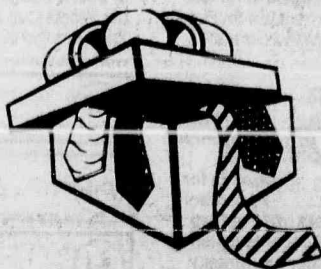
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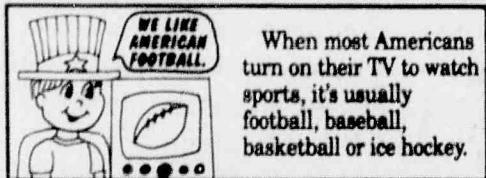
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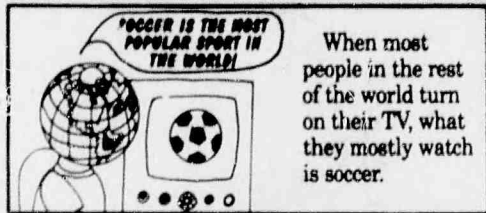
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Top soccer players are here to play in the U.S.A.

The World Cup



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 4. Melt chocolate chips and butterscotch chips together in a pot over medium heat. Stir often.
 5. Spread chocolate mixture over cereal mixture.
 6. Refrigerate 1 hour and cut into squares.
- Makes about 24.

BASSET BROWN THE NEWS HOUND'S SOCCER TRY 'N FIND

The names of some of the countries playing in the World Cup are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward. See if you can find: BOLIVIA, GERMANY, USA, NORWAY, SWITZERLAND, COLOMBIA, SPAIN, MEXICO, KOREA, RUSSIA, SWEDEN, CAMEROON, ITALY, BRAZIL, ARGENTINA, NIGERIA, GREECE.

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Basset Brown and his pals are playing soccer. See if you can find:

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- safety pin
- bandage
- mushroom
- pig's face
- sheep
- snake
- tooth
- number 3
- dragon
- sailboat
- heart
- bucket
- word MINI
- letter Z

• canoe • fish • tulip • bell

1994 World Cup Puzzle-le-do!



How would you plan a tournament with 24 teams? Here's how the World Cup people do it.

For the first round, the teams are divided into six groups with four teams each.

In sports, a "seed" is the ranking, or record. Top "seeds," or teams with the best World Cup records, are put into different

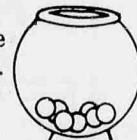
groups. In this way, they won't eliminate each other early in the tournament.

The other 18 teams are put in groups by using a "draw." The names of these other teams were put on plastic balls and were drawn out of a fishbowl in a big event held last December.

The U.S. team is not a top

seed, but, as the host team, heads one of the groups.

After the first round, the top two winners from each group, plus the four best third-place winners, will advance to the next round.



The 24 teams and their six groups in the 1994 World Cup

Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D	Group E	Group F
1. USA	1. Brazil	1. Germany	1. Argentina	1. Italy	1. Belgium
2. Switzerland	2. Russia	2. Bolivia	2. Greece	2. Ireland	2. Morocco
3. Colombia	3. Cameroon	3. Spain	3. Nigeria	3. Norway	3. Netherlands
4. Romania	4. Sweden	4. South Korea	4. Bulgaria	4. Mexico	4. Saudi Arabia

To figure out the answers, use the grid above as a guide. For example, the United States would be A-1.



1. The World Cup is put on by FIFA, which stands for Federation Internationale de (of) Football Association. (Soccer is called "football" in other countries.) FIFA has offices in:

A-2

2. The country that has qualified to play in all of the 15 World Cups.

B-1

3. These countries have won the World Cup three times. They are the Big Three in world soccer.

B-1

C-1

E-1

4. This country has won the World Cup twice.

D-1

Next week, read all about the nine U.S. cities where World Cup games will be played.



Roberto Baggio in action.

5. Roberto Baggio was the FIFA World Player of the Year in 1993. His good looks and powerful right kicking foot have made this forward a superstar. For which country does he play?

E-1

6. This year, these three teams qualified for the World Cup for the very first time.

D-2

D-3

F-4

7. These two teams are the ones to beat this year.

C-1

E-1

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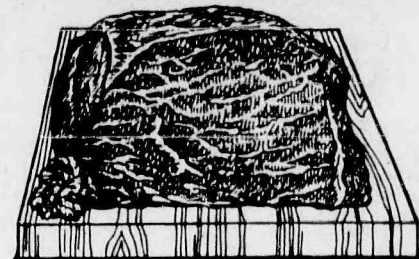
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Tomatoes** **1/2 PRICE** **.44**
lb.

 LOW IN CALORIES
**Royal Purple
Eggplant** **1/2 PRICE** **.44**
lb.

 STORE SLICED IN THE APPY
GLEN ROCK (WATER ADDED)
**Smoked
Virginia Ham** **1/2 PRICE** **2⁴⁹**
lb.

 STORE SLICED IN THE APPY
**Dietz & Watson
German Bologna** **1/2 PRICE** **1⁹⁹**
lb.

 IN THE DAIRY, ANY VAR.
**Breyers
Yogurt** **1/2 PRICE** **3 1⁰⁰**
8-oz. conts.

 IN THE DAIRY
**Blue Bonnet
Spread** **1/2 PRICE** **1³⁹**
3-lb. cont.

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BEEF LOIN

**Boneless
Sirloin Steak**
2⁴⁹
lb.

 IN NATURAL JUICES, BONE-IN
**Cook's Spiral Cut
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**\$3.00 Clip Less
Coupon Per Pkg.**
2⁴⁹
lb.

2 1/4' AND UP

**Eastern
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.59
lb.

 BONELESS BEEF
**Top Round
London Broil** **2⁹⁹**
lb.

 Fresh, All American, Oven Ready
**Whole Leg
of Lamb** **1⁹⁹**
lb.

 MEATY, BREAST BONE REMOVED
**Fresh Pork
Spare Ribs** **1⁹⁹**
6-LBS. OR MORE lb.

 5-7 LBS. AVG. W/POP-UP TIMER
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 FROZEN OR THAWED, FARM RAISED
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16-20 ct. per lb.

 BONELESS
**Fresh
Turbot Fillet**
4⁹⁹
lb.