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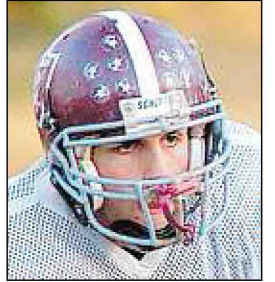
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## We'll show you the money - IRS holding millions in refunds

By Christine Hintze  
of Belleville Times

As some early birds gear up to get their tax returns ready for next year's collection, the Internal Revenue Services continues to chase down hundreds of residents who still haven't claimed their refund check from last year.

Though it may seem impossible to those people who wait by their mailboxes in

May with the anticipation of a kid looking for the prize in a Cracker Jack box, representatives from the IRS said that they have over \$118 million in unclaimed refund checks and child tax credit checks they are attempting to get out to recipients.

In Belleville, 15 households have yet to claim their 2003 refund.

According to New Jersey IRS spokesperson Gregg Semanick, changes of address

are one of the most common reasons that residents don't receive their refund checks. But this year, Semanick said, the child tax credit is yet another reason people should get to the post office to update their address.

"Taxpayers in New Jersey only have until Dec. 5 to claim the 2,940 undelivered checks from this summer's advance child tax credit," said Semanick. "After the December cut-off, taxpayers

cannot claim the checks until they file their tax returns next year."

The undelivered tax credit and refund checks in New Jersey total almost \$4 million. In Essex County, 846 checks were returned to the IRS for 886 taxpayers totaling \$492,214. An average refund check in New Jersey runs about \$555.55.

And if that doesn't sound like enough money, more than 200,000 taxpayers in

the country have yet to claim their tax refunds and child credits. That brings the total unclaimed revenue nationally up to more than \$118 million.

A press release from the IRS suggested that anyone who suspects their check may have been returned to the agency could track its status on their Web site. The IRS also suggests that any person who moves obtain and send in a change of ad-

dress form well in advance of filing their taxes next year. One way to avoid a lost check, agents said, is to elect the direct deposit option when filing.

"Our Web site makes it easy for taxpayers to track undelivered checks," Semanick said. "Our goal is to get this money back in the hands of the people it belongs to, and we want to get the checks out as soon as possible."

## Faith in action

### Grace Baptist Church grows to serve a changing Belleville population

By Richard Dickon  
of Belleville Times

Grace Baptist Church on Overlook Avenue has grown from a handful of parishioners 10 years ago to having 12 pastors and 250 people in attendance for the ordination of the Rev. Carmen Miranda as pastor on Nov. 16.

The pastor oversees a diverse group of Hispanic worshippers, most coming from Ecuador. Others come from El Salvador, Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic with a few from Cuba, Nicaragua, Columbia, Venezuela, Guatemala and Chile.

Mexicans have come to the church but have not stayed, according to officials.

Miranda started about 13 years ago with a much smaller congregation in Ridgefield Park. Now, she is celebrating 10 years at Christ Baptist.

Miranda was raised as a Catholic in Puerto Rico, but joined the Methodist church when her mother became ill.

"The Methodist church asked its members to pray for her, and after seven days, my mother got so much better," she said.

Miranda came to the United States and worked at a variety of jobs, sending money back to her brothers and sisters. Her father had divorced her mother when she became sick.

She then met and married her husband, Evaristo Mi-



Photos/Christopher Sadowski

Above, Grace Baptist Church Members from left, Auria Ortiz, Vicky Garcia and Vedellia Hernandez during Carmen Miranda's ordination. Miranda is at the pulpit. Right, Rev. Jose Rene Cedillos, from the Hispanic Ministries Church of the Valley, Phoenix, Arz.

rand, and became a member of a Baptist church.

She was a believer, and he became a believer seven years later. He became a pastor first, and left to work in a regular job, according to officials.

After a time at the Baptist

church, Carmen Miranda said, "They said you've done so many things, you're like a pastor."

She was working as a nurse in a New York hospital, and in her spare time, did anything and everything she could to minister to

members of the church, she said.

She once worked in three churches on the same Sundays, one in the Bronx, one in Queens and one in Ridgefield Park.

Now she has become the first female pastor in the

the first Puerto Rican," she said.

As proud as she is, everything at the church does not run perfectly.

While Miranda said she has never had a problem with a neighbor, there have been complaints about the church's sparse parking - there is no parking lot, just spaces on the street.

Because of the tickets given out, some worshipers tell Miranda they are not coming back.

"I tell them no, you have to come back, God is here," she said.

There are also complaints about the noise the music makes. The band includes drums and congas.

"I say to be quiet when you open the doors," she said. "We have friends and neighbors here."

A deli across the street is on its third owner. One previous owner used to argue with parishioners who parked in front of his store.

"The third owner has been pretty good," Miranda said.

Of the conflicts, she said, "God brought us here to do something. I leave it all in God's hands, that everybody will be friends."

Over the years, everybody in the congregation has worked together, financially and otherwise, to fix up the building, according to Evaristo Miranda, who said he is something of a handyman.

The building was in a (See Church on Page A3)



American Baptist Church in New Jersey.

"I feel proud, also being

## Governor encourages sharing at League conference

By Christine Hintze  
of Belleville Times

Governor James McGreevey addressed municipal leaders at the 88th annual New Jersey League of Municipalities last Thursday with a powerful message to consolidate resources and cut political red tape.

But some local officials said that it might be difficult to convince individual municipalities to sign on to the governor's proposal.

Most of the members of the Belleville Township Council were in attendance, according to the Township Clerk's office.

Fourth Ward Councilman Michael Melham said

residents give a lot to the state in taxes, and are supposed to get that money back, but McGreevey has done nothing but take from local municipalities.

"Two years ago we tried to make cuts, and his people stopped us," Melham said. "I think he wants us to raise taxes, so he doesn't have to."

McGreevey said that in a time of economic downfall, the state needed to look to innovative ways to fund the needs of its residents. Money used for administrative and government fees, McGreevey said, could better serve to drive down property taxes and improve services for residents.

Speaking to hundreds of mayors and local officials, McGreevey read a long list of statements, asking them to consider if each served to provide better services or to

feed government bureaucracy. He said that New Jersey has the highest number of municipalities per square mile in the nation and 608 school districts, more than 45 states in the country.

"This is ludicrous - it is wasteful and it is driving up property taxes every year," McGreevey said. "Together we have to find a better way and we have to do it now. If we are to have any hope of bringing long-term property tax relief, we have to devise ways to spend money more efficiently."

Nutley Mayor Peter Scarpelli said municipalities have been sharing some resources for a long time. During a recent rash of fires that broke out in Nutley and Belleville, several surrounding municipalities offered the services

of their firefighters, an understanding several towns have had for numerous years.

Some local officials said that while sharing municipal funds and services may be a good idea in theory, it would take a great deal of time and effort to devise a plan to do so. It would take a great deal of strategic planning to share some resources.

Bloomfield Mayor Raymond McCarthy said he doesn't know if some municipalities are ready to sign on to municipal sharing, but that it is something that has been thrown around in discussions by local government officials for years.

"Everyone hates the term regionalization," said McCarthy, "but if we really want to tackle issues like (See League on Page A3)

## Dedicating a namesake Volunteer honored with playground

By Richard Dickon  
of Belleville Times

For years, Phyllis Burgess put her whole heart and soul into the 1st Cerebral Palsy of New Jersey, located in Belleville and serving Essex County.

On Nov. 24, Burgess' work was rewarded, when the center dedicated its new playground and recreation center in her name.

Burgess thanked the people she worked with for many years.

"I want to thank the students and the staff," she said. "There are wonderful people on this staff. The center wouldn't be as it is without them."

The playground and recreation center was funded through a county Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). There

are two playgrounds, one with slides and typical equipment but specially tailored for people with cerebral palsy. The second playground contains three swings, including one regular swing, a chair swing and a wheelchair swing.

"We adapted the equipment to give disabled kids access - to help them have fun," said Patrick Colligan, executive director of the center.

A special resolution passed by the board of trustees called Burgess "a much admired, highly respected leader...of widespread renown and unparalleled accomplishment and devotion to the community."

The resolution said she was an integral part in the (See Center on Page A3)





## It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas

### Town tree lighting Dec. 4

The Belleville Township Council will be having its annual tree lighting ceremony on Thursday, Dec. 4, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Belleville Recreation House located at 407 Joralemon St. The Belleville choir under the direction of Dr. Thomas Finetti will be performing along with the Belleville marching band who will bring in Santa. All are invited to attend this holiday celebration.

### Santa mailboxes set up in town

Belleville boys and girls are encouraged to get out their pens, pencils, crayons

and start writing their wish lists to Santa Claus now.

Special mailboxes are set up from Nov. 17 until Dec. 19 to accommodate the expected heavy mail. One is at town hall on Washington Avenue and the other is in the front of the Silver Lake firehouse on Franklin Street.

Children can't miss the mailboxes. They're bright red and clearly marked "Santa's Mail" so not one has an excuse for not writing early.

By very special arrangements made between Mr. Claus and the Department of Recreation and Cultural Affairs, all letter writers are guaranteed an answer. A self-addressed, stamped envelope must be included with your letter to Santa so that he can write you back.

If children are too young to write, they are urged to draw a picture and Santa will get the message. Be sure to have someone print the child's name and address on the return envelope so that Santa can answer the letters.

### Santa visits Franklin firehouse

The Belleville Fire Department, with the help of its friends, invites everyone to welcome Santa Claus to Belleville.

Santa will be at the Franklin Avenue firehouse at 275 Franklin Ave. on Saturday, Dec. 6 from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m.

The first 500 children will receive a free picture and a gift from Santa.

New and used toys will be collected at all firehouses until Dec. 15. Refreshments will be served.

### Santa arrives at Clearmon Field

At 10 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 13, Santa will be arriving at Clearmon Field via helicopter. There will be a procession including the Belleville High School Band proceeding to State Fair on Main Street. State Fair will have snacks for the children and take photos with Santa.

Santa will be arriving via helicopter compliments of the Port Authority.

## That Chieffo holiday cheer returns another year

By Richard Dickon

For the sixth year in a row, Belleville's Michael Chieffo wants others to join him for a party and do something nice for a sick child.

Chieffo is asking people to bring an unwrapped toy on the evening of Dec. 13 for children with cancer.

The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society representative will be there to collect the toys, to be distributed to local hospitals.

Chieffo said he invites all boys and girls to come see his animated Christmas display, which includes a huge nativity scene and other decorations.

The display has been a tradition since 1992. Children can also see Santa Claus in person with surprise cartoon guests.

The party goes from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. outside his home, 269 New Street. The rain date is Dec. 14.

"When people come to my

home, it just brings me joy, that at Christmas time, how they pull together to donate a toy to a kid," Chieffo said.

"This is not a cure," he said. "But it can put a smile on their face for that moment, and hopefully make them happy."

Chieffo's theme for the night is "Feel the smile of a child."

At any time, children can drop off their Santa letters at Santa's Mailbox, also at 269 New Street.

## BOOKMARKS

Mark your calendar for these upcoming events at the Belleville Public Library and information center:

### • For The Holidays

Chorus of Communities Concert  
Thursday, Dec. 18th, 7 p.m. in the Carnegie Room — Official lighting of library's Christmas tree and lighting of Chanukah Menorah

### • Winter Hours

Mon, Tues, Thurs — 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.  
Wed., Fri., Sat. — 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### • Children's Room

Mon.—9 a.m. - 9 p.m.  
Tues.—9 a.m. - 7 p.m.  
Wed. - Sat. — 9 a.m. - 5 a.m.

### • Shafter Winter Hours

Mon.-Fri. — 1 - 5 p.m.  
LIBRARY CLOSED NOV. 27, 28. OPEN NOV. 29.

**December craft**  
Wreath making will be this year's "Holiday Craft"

3:30 p.m. Dec. 2 at Shafter Branch Library, 30 Magnolia St. @ School Four. Participants will decorate sprays and/or wreaths in a festive setting. All persons interested in participating should register at the library immediately, either in person or by calling (973) 450-3438.

The Belleville Public Library and Public Information Center is located at 221 Washington Ave. Call (973) 450-3434 or Fax (973) 450-9518. Find out more at the library web site, [www.belle-pl.org](http://www.belle-pl.org). The Shafter Branch Library is located at 30 Magnolia St. Call (973) 450-3538.

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Smoke alarms available from fire department

The Belleville Fire Department, in conjunction with the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Fire Safety will be offering free smoke alarms to certain groups of citizens residing in the township.

The first criteria would be that they must reside in a one- or two-family residence. Additionally, if they are receiving any form of public assistance, involved in a government program in which an income level is set as a requirement for participation, or a senior citizen involved in a State Prescrip-

tion Drug Program, they would qualify.

Eligible citizens may come to the Belleville Fire Headquarters located at 275 Franklin Ave., between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. If any resident has questions, call (973) 450-3368.

Smoke alarms should be installed on every level of the home, in bedrooms, outside sleeping areas and above stairwells. They should be in the middle of the ceiling, or mounted on a wall at least three feet from a corner and six inches from

the ceiling. Do not install near fans or air ducts where the smoke can be blown away from the alarm, or within 10 feet of a stove or shower area. They should be tested every week and the battery should be replaced once a year. Keep the outside cover clean by removing dust and dirt by vacuuming.

Remember that 80 percent of all fire fatalities occur in the home, and residential fires kill an average of 5,000 people and injure an additional 21,000 people a year.

Center

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foundation of the center, initiating standards that are used today. She was a pioneer in travel for people with CP for five decades, and the success of the center “is in great part due to her,” the resolution said.

In a separate interview, Colligan called Burgess, “a dynamic person well ahead of her time, for decades being recreationally minded. She always thinks outside the box.”

“This is so well-served,” he said. “People with disabilities get put on the back shelf, but she did not ever do that.”

The ceremony honored all of those who helped make the playgrounds a reality.

Colligan said, “Their generosity means years of joy to come for these children.”

Paul Amsterdam, head of

the center’s board of trustees, said a well-known psychologist believed, “Children have a physical need to play. It’s as important as eating, breathing and being loved. That is true more so for those with physical challenges.”

Colligan said, “Their faces tell you why you’ve done it.”

The groups honored included the Parents, Teachers and Therapists Association and the center’s Treasure Chest thrift shop.

The Jessica Candido Memorial Fund, which also contributed, is named for a girl who came to the center at three years old and died in February 2002.

Ken Watson, the center’s principal, said, “She so enjoyed this backyard. I talked with her parents about what we could do.”

The Belleville Kiwanis Club contributed, and has, in the past, funded a wooden

play center and hosts a picnic every June.

The other contributors were the James Huhn Memorial Fund, the Mary D’Aloia Memorial Fund and the AIA Newark Suburban Architects, who sponsor a golf tournament each year for the center.

Al Restaino, speaking for County Executive Joseph DiVincenzo, said the key word is “partnership.” He said the CDBG money was well spent, quoting the center’s slogan, “making a lifetime of difference.”

Colligan said the Essex County Division of Community Development has helped fund repairs to the roof, the basement, the kitchen, heat boilers, air conditioning and an elevator.

“They’ve helped with everything, wall to wall and ceiling to floor,” he said. “Look at the happiness you’ve made possible.”

Church

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state of disrepair after years of a dwindling congregation and poor maintenance.

Evaristo Miranda showed off the church with pride, explaining how he got some pews from a church in Newton that was ripping them out to put in chairs.

Carmen Miranda said she does not “manipulate” her parishioners to give more than they can afford. “Whatever the heart says to give,” she said.

For donations, Miranda said she told her congregation, “The church belongs to you. You are the boss, not us.”

In an eight-month stretch, the church raised \$28,000.

Of that money, \$10,000 went for Bible school and \$15,000 for nursing home care for parishioners’ families.

“Little by little, every year we got the church fixed up,” Miranda said.

The American Baptist Church told Miranda, “We

need more ladies like you,” and finally ordained her as a pastor two weeks ago.

The American Baptist Church offered Christ Baptist a loan of \$50,000, but after discussing it with her congregation, they accepted \$30,000, saying they didn’t want to owe money to anyone. They paid it back in two years. The \$30,000 was half the amount needed to fix-up the second chapel, which is now repaired, thanks to parishioners funding the rest.

The loan was offered to fix-up the church, and Miranda and her congregation decided that they could raise the other \$30,000 themselves.

Ramona Ocasio, formerly of Bloomfield, works with the church and says it “restored her life.”

She no longer takes medication for depression, and has become “the pastor’s right hand,” according to Miranda.

“I was afraid to drive,” Ocasio said through an interpreter. “I was scared of my own shadow. Now I am restored.”

She said her depression was taken away with God’s help.

A second congregation, for people of Portuguese and Brazilian ancestry, uses the church on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sunday nights and is also growing, according to officials.

Miranda preaches for a half hour every Monday on a religious radio program on 1330 AM.

With a church that has gained 46 new members since January, what does Miranda see for the future?

“I want a bigger church,” she said. “I want to change Belleville for God. People come here sick, and God makes them healthy.”

League

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property taxes, we would have to sit down together and really talk about this. There are so many factors that go into it (municipal sharing) like unions and civil service positions.”

McGreevey acknowledged the difficulties that his proposition could pose for individual municipalities, but said that those efforts

would pay off in the long run.

“Unfortunately there is no property tax potion waiting to be discovered, but the difficulty of this issue cannot dissuade us from taking up the challenge.

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Belleville Times writer Richard Dickon contributed to this story.

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# WEEKEND PREVIEW

## Montclair Luna Stage company hosts ‘Dragons’

By Jim Beckerman  
*Of The Record*

You think it's hard killing a dragon? Try bringing one to life.

Sheldon Harnick, author of “Dragons,” has rewritten and re-produced this musical fable again and again since its earliest rough-draft staging in 1984.

Now it may have arrived in its final form at Montclair's Luna Stage Company, where it runs through Dec. 21, featuring an actor from Glen Ridge.

“This is a show that's very, very close to me, and I hope audiences take away from it what I put into it,” says Harnick, immortal in theater circles as the lyricist for “Fiddler on the Roof.”

“Dragons” is the first full-length show for which he's written book, music, and lyrics.

The story, based on a World War II-era play by Russian writer Yevgeny Schwartz, is about a town plagued by a dragon (Paul Murphy of Montclair), to which villagers make a yearly sacrifice of a maiden (Cecily Ellis of New York). No sooner does a knight (Kirk Mouser of Montclair) slay the dragon and liberate

the town than the villagers create a new dragon: the town's mayor (Paul Whelan of Glen Ridge). “He's a petty tyrant,” Harnick says.

Amazingly, this fable about czarist tyranny giving way to communist oppression got by Stalin's censors. At least until the first performance. “Once they saw it, it got pulled,” Harnick says.

Harnick had a different sort of problem with the story, with which he fell in love after seeing a 1960s off-Broadway production.

In the original play, the knight returns to restore order and to inform the townspeople that they must each slay their own personal dragon. In the 1980s, famed director-choreographer Michael Kidd (“Guys and Dolls”) read a draft and instantly fingered a sore spot.

Harnick recalls: “He read it and said, ‘Are you aware what your second act is saying?’ I said, ‘I think so. What is it saying?’ He said, ‘What it's saying is that the only solution to power is to have a benevolent dictator.’ I said, ‘Oh my god, that's absolutely right. Russians must still think that's the answer.’”

So Harnick rewrote his

show to leave his villagers learning about democracy, U.S.-style. That version - or, at least, a version of that version - is now playing at Luna Stage. Harnick has taken a hands-on interest, visiting the theater several times during rehearsals.

“Everyone is thrilled to have him here; he brings such weight with him from this world of theater,” says Jane Mandel, artistic director of Luna Stage, which celebrates its 10th anniversary this year. “And he's just wonderful. He's part of the group, he takes notes, he talks to everyone, he's very much part of the ensemble. He's lovely, just lovely.”

At age 79, Harnick isn't slowing down. Just this month, he's been dividing his time between “Dragons,” a Boston production of his new musical “The Phantom Tollbooth” (based on Norton Juster's classic children's story), and a 40th anniversary Broadway revival of “Fiddler,” due to open in February.

Alfred Molina will follow in the footsteps of Zero Mostel and Topol by playing Tevye, the poor milkman who has a scolding wife, three marriageable daugh-

ters, and God to contend with.

“We're starting from scratch: New sets, new costumes, it won't look like anything anybody's ever seen,” Harnick says.

David Leveaux, who directed the recent acclaimed “Nine” revival, is bringing a modern, streamlined sensibility to the Broadway evergreen, source of such classic tunes as “If I Were a Rich Man” and “Sunrise, Sunset.”

“He's a wonderful director, and he grew up in an age when productions move much faster, and he's bringing that to this show,” Harnick says. “This will be a very light and airy production. There's not a lot of furniture. The audience will get to use their imaginations, which they love to do.”

The 1964 show is one of the most produced in the history of musical theater: It's played London, Paris, South America, the Netherlands, Iceland, and Japan, and it struck a chord with millions who would appear to have little in common with its Jewish peasants.

“We had an Actors' Fund Benefit performance a few months after the show opened,” Harnick recalls. “At

intermission, Florence Henderson came up the aisle and said, ‘Sheldon, Sheldon, this is about my Irish grandmother.’ This is the kind of response we've always had.”

It was Harnick who got the “Fiddler” ball rolling, when he suggested that Yiddish humorist Sholem Aleichem's novel “Wandering Star,” about a Jewish theatrical troupe, might make a good musical.

Though playwright Joseph Stein, composer Jerry Bock, and director Jerome Robbins nixed the novel as being too sprawling, they thought Aleichem's short stories about Tevye and his daughters might be just the right size for the stage. Moreover, this story about Old World Jews - so many of whom had been wiped out barely 20 years before - was virtually a family history of the show's creators.

“Jerry and Joe and I were all very close to the material,” Harnick says. “One of the titles we came close to using was ‘Where Papa Came From.’ We were passionate about it.”

Harnick, originally from Chicago (he entered show business as a violinist), has collaborated on a number of

hit musicals, including “Fiorello!,” “She Loves Me,” “The Rothschilds,” “Tenderloin,” and “A Wonderful Life,” from the James Stewart movie classic.

But there's no getting away from “Fiddler” - not with productions surfacing every week, and “Sunrise, Sunset” a staple at weddings from Bensonhurst to Bali.

Harnick has sung it himself a number of times at public occasions, perhaps most memorably at his daughter's wedding six years ago.

“We were maybe expecting an eye or two to be moist,” he recalls. “We didn't expect there would be huge laughing in the middle of the song. But my daughter's husband is 6-foot-6-inches tall. And when I got to the line ‘When did he grow to be so tall?’ my daughter inadvertently looked at him towering above her. And the whole audience started to laugh.”

Performances of “Dragons” at Luna Stage, 695 Bloomfield Ave., Montclair, are 7:30 p.m. Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday. \$15 to \$30. Call (973) 744-3309, or visit lunastage.org on the web.

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By TONY AUGUST



**Hall & Oates  
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Daryl Hall & John Oates are the best bet to digest your big Turkey day feast at the Trump Marina this Turkey Day Weekend, November 28-29th. They bring Philadelphia Soul to the Grand Cayman.

They first met in the late 1960's at Temple University. Discovering a shared love of music, they teamed up to sing in various R&B and Doo-Wop groups. In November of 1972, the pair landed a record deal with Atlantic.

Their first release, Whole Oats, built on their solid live reputation in the Philadelphia region. Two years later, their R&B styled Abandoned Luncheonette was released and subsequently described by Hall as “our first real album.”

Throughout the 1970's, Hall & Oates experimented with the right musical style. They followed this up with several high quality albums in the 1980's, including the 1981 Private Eyes, which launched the title song as well as the hit single, I Can't Go For That. In 1985, a live album and that year's Live Aid performance put Hall & Oates back into the spotlight.

They did try to go their separate ways and took an amicable sabbatical the following year, during which time Hall explored a solo career. They soon reunited in 1988 and signed with Clive Davis Arista Records, releasing the low-key album, Ooh Yeah.

In the 1990's they returned to doing special appearances, including a Radio City Music Hall benefit and Earth Day in Central Park. They closed out the decade with a new musical track for the movie, Runaway Bride, called And That's What Hurts. Their hit single, Maneater, was also featured on the soundtrack.

After three decades, Hall & Oates is still hailed as one of pop music's most expressive voices. The release of Do It For Love in 2003 solidifies Hall & Oates place in music history. It's a synthesis between blue-eyed soul and pop radio. With standout and relentlessly tuneful tracks, the album proves that Hall & Oates sound better today than they did 30 years ago. Go see and hear for yourself.

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This is an independent club and is not connected with any casino except those who cooperate with us. Right now there are two in Atlantic City, the Borgata and Trump Marina, and very shortly the Mohegan Sun in Connecticut.

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I am sorry to say that the response to my appeal for charter members to bring in at least one new paid up member (\$25.00) annual membership fee has so far resulted in a net gain of none.

The idea is to for you to tell them the virtues of this club especially those of you who already have enjoyed its benefits. I'm soliciting new members from other sources. I can't do it alone. If this club isn't worth much more than \$25.00 a year from old members or new members then there is no reason for its existence.

Donations from Charter members have trickled in and they are all appreciated and they have all been acknowledged and will receive a free gift as soon as I can arrange for shipment. Unfortunately, they add up to only about one tenth of one percent of all charter members listed.

Evidently my expectations, mostly based on your encouraging letters and e-mails were unrealistic. It's in your hands. Bring in new members and make whatever donations you think this club is worth to you. If I have to start all over getting one new member to bring in one new member who thinks membership in this club is worth \$25.00 a year I'll do it. And I'll use the same tools I started with, a great idea that I haven't lost faith in.

Contact Tony August via E-Mail (cascon777@aol.com) or write to Executive Editor, North Jersey Community Newspapers, 1 Garret Mountain Plaza, PO Box 471, West Paterson NJ 07424-0471




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A holiday boutique held in the newly renovated carriage house at Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center, 640 Belleville Ave., Bloomfield will run through Dec. 7. Admission is \$2.

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## Holiday boutique at Oakeside

Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center is hosting a holiday boutique in its newly restored carriage house.

The boutique will be open on Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Fridays from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Dec. 7.

The work of 40 fine artisans will be featured during the month-long boutique, including handmade crafts,

jewelry, floral arrangements, woodcrafts, embroidered items, candles, stained glass, handmade dolls and specialty clothing.

There will be a \$2 admission fee, which allows for three visits to the boutique. Proceeds will be used to preserve Oakeside and its grounds.

For directions or more information, call (973) 429-0690.

## Clara Maass to hold tree lighting

The Clara Maass Auxiliary will hold its annual holiday tree lighting on Tuesday, Dec. 9 at 4:30 p.m. on the front lawn of Clara Maass Medical Center.


The holiday tree is decorated through donations made to the Clara Maass Auxiliary in honor of or in memory of friends or loved ones, designated by the individual donor.

Donations are \$5 per person for a white light; \$25 per person or family for

a colored light; \$125 for a snowflake; and \$500 for the treetop ornament. Proceeds are earmarked for Clara Maass Medical Center.

Following the ceremony, a reception with refreshments will be held in the upper lobby outside the administrative offices.

To receive a donor card or for additional information about the holiday tree lighting project, call the Clara Maass Medical Center.



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# OPINION

## Turkey Day football rivalries

### Support your hometown team on Thanksgiving

While high school football attendance has seen a significant decline since its heyday of past decades, the Thanksgiving Day game unfailingly draws the biggest crowd of every season — regardless of the town or team record.

It's a time for friends and neighbors, who maybe haven't seen each other in awhile, to come together; for teachers to cheer on their students; and for alumni to share their gridiron war stories.

The Belleville-Nutley rivalry, which begins a new chapter this morning at 10:30, has been dominated for years by the Raiders (14-3-2), with the Bucca-neers' last win, albeit a shutout, coming in 1996.

Indeed, the Bloomfield-Montclair series is looking up for the Bengals, who won last year's contest in overtime, 13-12, ending an 11-year winless drought against the Mounties. Kickoff starts at

10:30 a.m. at Foley Field.

In Glen Ridge, the hometown team never played Thanksgiving, until taking on Montclair Immaculate in 1982. The Ridgers, who have traditionally struggled against the Lions, last defeated their Turkey Day rival three years ago. Today's game, in Montclair, begins at 11 a.m.

Despite some arguments calling for the elimination of the Thanksgiving game to benefit the state playoff schedule, the game serves too important a role as a community-bonding experience to abolish.

Or, as one coach remarked at this time last year: "Rivalries are what make high school football special."

So take his advice and put on your Bucs' blue and gold, head to the Oval, and support your hometown team. You might be there to witness the pinnacle of a young athlete's high school career, or simply to say hello to an old friend.

## Again with Chestnut Avenue...

### What are those crafty veterans up to anyway?

What are Joe Fornarotto and his fellow Nutley-Belleville Disabled American Veterans up to anyway?

There's more to this "search" for a new DAV headquarters than meets the eye. They seem to know something that the rest of us don't.

It's evidenced by their fixation with the property at Camp Carragher on Chestnut Street in Belleville, over all the other properties out there. There's something about that property that makes the DAV like Goldilocks trying each of the Three Bears' beds — "this one's too lumpy, this one's too soft; but that one over there is just right."

Why is that one "just right?" What is it about the virgin Camp Carragher land that makes it more appealing than the Belleville Township Council's other offerings of the former VFW hall by town hall, or the Italian Social Club on Carmer Avenue?

These other parcels already have buildings — the

Chestnut Avenue property doesn't, nor does it have sufficient parking, according to one councilman. Not only that, the neighbors of the desired property have said flat out that they don't want a new building on that vacant land. And they're pushy.

So why forsake the easy route? Why the constant hope that the council will return to the original plan of turning over the Chestnut Street property after simpler plans have been presented?

Perhaps there's something on that property that the rest of us don't know about...

Perhaps Fornarotto was walking through Camp Carragher one day, picked up an interesting-looking rock, and a gush of oil sprayed up from the ground over his head.

Perhaps the DAV is keeping it under wraps until they can obtain the parcel, construct their own secret oil rig and disguise it as a so-called DAV "post" or

"hall."

These veterans are a clever bunch. Remember, some of them trained in techniques far beyond the comprehension of a layman — stealth, strategy and mental warfare. It would only be too easy for them to construct such an elaborate ruse.

In the end they could get the land, harvest whatever lucrative secret lies in the ground at Camp Carragher, and end up building a DAV hall in sunny Sarasota, Florida, the size of Buckingham Palace — private jets and all. And the Township of Belleville will still be bonding to patch leaks at Municipal Stadium.

Belleville's public works should be down at the Chestnut Street property with everything from metal detectors to divining rods, trying to figure out what the big secret is. Because, as anyone knows, if someone's fighting an uphill battle with this much vigor, they obviously know something the rest of us don't.



IS IT JUST ME, OR DO THOSE THINGS RUN FASTER ON THANKSGIVING ?

## We party hearty

### So don't miss these events coming to Silver Lake

Boy, are we pooped and all partied out!

We had some New Year's celebration at the Branch Brook Manor. And because of that, it's impossible to get out notices to our 266 members about future happenings. But don't fret, because you can read it here. All you have to do is follow the step by step instructions. Take out your calendar, mark it accordingly and don't forget to hang it on your refrigerator so you won't miss anything.

**Sunday, Nov. 30 – 1 p.m.**  
**Silver Lake Day** — On the corner of Lake and Jerald streets. Come and listen to the stories of yesteryear. And afterwards, on to the American Legion to partake of refreshments.

**Wednesday, Dec. 3 – 6:30 p.m.**

**A Presentation of Silver Lake's History** will be given by Frederick Lewis, at the Shafter Branch Library. Hosted by the SLCA and the library. Refreshments will be served. Come and meet Helen Infusino, the library monitor.

**Saturday, Dec. 13**  
**Tree Lighting, After the 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Anthony's** — In honor of Helen

## Life In Silver Lake



By Marie Strumolo Burke

and Joseph Zarro and Jimmy Delissio. Father Joseph Ferraro will bless the tree and this year we will have the Belleville Marching Band Ensemble entertain us with some Christmas music. Grace Constantino and Anthony Sessa will be the host and hostess. Refreshments will be served.

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Wow, the 100th Year Celebration for School 4 was an overwhelming success with over 400 in attendance. Do you know why there were so many in attendance? Because once you are bitten by Silver Lake it stays with you. And everyone who was bitten loves School 4 and Silver Lake too.

The committee did a great job and everyone renewed ac-

quaintances with their classmates. Former principals, teachers and students were all accounted for. When I arrived at School 4, the place was bustling. I was told that former Principal Mike Nardiello and Mike Harvey got a standing ovation, along with our most favorite teacher, Mary Gialanella, or as we affectionately call her, Mrs. G.

The Angel and her committee did a commendable job and should be awarded. So committee, take your bows...

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Hey all you detectives out there, be on the lookout for anyone who was the recipient of the Home & School Scholarship at School 4, starting from 1965 to present. It seems that the plaque which hung in the halls at School 4 has mysteriously disappeared. So start spreading the news and maybe we can be successful in finding out who the winners were. And then we can hopefully duplicate the plaque and put it back where it belongs — right back at the James G. Shawger School 4.

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## Belleville Clergy Alliance

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Right now, you may be walking through the valley of the shadow of doubt. Right now, you may be walking through the valley of the shadow of hopelessness. Right now, you may be walking through the valley of the shadow of pain. Right now, you may be walking through the valley of the

shadow of debt. Hold on and have no fear because the keyword here is "through."

You are walking through, which means you are on your way out of that valley. So hold on. God's rod and staff shall comfort you. Hold on to promises that cannot fail. I have come through many valleys. I have come through the valley of fear. I have come through the valley of doubt. I have come through the valley of hopelessness. I have come through the valley of hurt. I have come through the valley of sorrow and grief. You can go through any valley with God.

Keep on trusting. Keep on believing. Keep on expecting and before you know it, you have come through the valleys that you thought you couldn't. Continue to remember that no matter what you may be going through — you are not alone.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### The sheriff stays in town

To the editor:

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The Essex County Sheriff's Office will continue in the vanguard as we work together with federal, state and local police departments in the ongoing war against gangs, drugs and guns.

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Once again, your support

and encouragement are greatly appreciated. On behalf of the uniformed men and women of this command, thank you for your confidence in us.

**Armando B. Fontoura**  
**Essex County Sheriff**

### We're going to Disney World!

To the editor:

The Belleville High School Marching Band, Jazz Band and Wind Ensemble will all be performing at Walt Disney World in Florida this spring. Over this past weekend, the bands

held three hugely successful fundraising efforts to support that trip.

Whether you came bowling with us or let us wash your car, whether you dropped a donation into a can or just gave an encouraging word, I extend my personal thanks as well as the thanks of the Belleville High School Music Boosters Association and the Belleville High School Bands to the town council members, board of education members, citizens and businesses of our great town of Belleville.

**Joe Longo**  
**President**  
**B.H.S. Music Boosters Association**

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# Four locals to vie for Jr. Miss

Four Belleville residents will be among the contestants in the Essex County Junior Miss Scholarship Pageant. The contest is part of a nationwide program designed to recognize, reward and encourage excellence in high school senior girls.

This year's program will be held in the Nutley High School Auditorium, this Saturday, Nov. 29 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 and will be available at the door.

**Tanya Binkiewicz**, is in 12th grade at Belleville High School and is 18 years old. Scholastic activities: National Honor Society, Fellowship of the Athletes, Student Government Vice President, World Language. Academics: Honor Roll. Sports: Varsity soccer and JV softball. Other: Soled Out Dance Team.

**Milna Rufin**, is in 12th grade at Belleville High School and is 16 years old. Scholastic activities: Class Council President for the second consecutive year, Student Government Organization Fundraising Committee Chairperson, National Honor Society Treasurer, Monad (school yearbook) Organizations Section Editor, Key Club Assistant to the officers, World Language Club, Interact Club, PEP Club, StageCraft Club (school drama club), Homecoming Court. Academics: High Honor Roll. Ranked in top 2.7 percent of class, Who's Who Among America's High School students, National Honor Society of High School Scholars. Sports: JV Basketball, Varsity Crew.

Other: Community service and Filipino charity caroling group for the Bataan Assoc. of U.S.A.

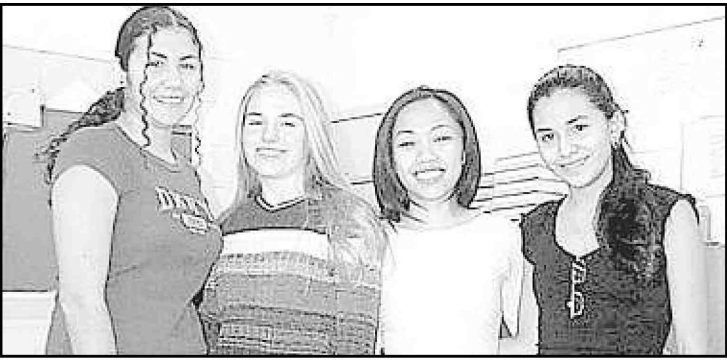
**Vanessa Valarezo**, is in 12th grade at Belleville High School, and is 17 years old. Scholastic activities: Octagon Club, World Language Club, Key Club, National Honor Society, StageCraft Club. Academics: Honor Roll. Other: Belleville Dance Company, Gymnastics.

**Imily Yanes**, is in 12th grade at Belleville High School and is 17 years old. Scholastic activities: World Language Club, FCCLA Club, Sports: Basketball. Academic: Who's Who Among America's High School Students. Other: Dance.

# Help sought in Pro Lumber case

The Belleville Fire Department is asking the public's assistance in the aftermath of the fire that destroyed the Pro Lumber & Hardware Store at 585 Washington Ave. The fire is currently under investigation, and no official cause has been determined at this time.

Investigators from Belleville Fire Department are working in conjunction with the Essex County Prosecutors Arson Task Force, which is standard procedure for large dollar fire loss. The investigation will continue in the coming weeks to determine the exact cause. Fire investigators are asking anyone who might have photographed or videotaped the fire scene to contact the fire headquarters. Officials are interested in viewing any materials documenting the fire. Photos and videos may be brought to 275 Franklin Ave. or call Deputy Chief George Paladino at (973) 450-3374.



Yanes, Binkiewicz, Rufin and Valarezo.

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### Tools

For informal displays, you will need a good pair of florists' scissors, a pair of pruners for cutting wood stems, a small, sharp knife for scraping stems and buckets in which to condition flowers. For more complex arrangements, you may need florists' foam, chicken wire, stub wires, wire cutters, florists' gum and prongs.

### Flower choice

First, decide on the type of arrangement you want at your party. Where would you like to display it? How much space is available? What vases or other receptacles do you have? What flowers are in season? Do they dictate your color scheme or tie in

with it? Low displays are most suitable for the table, but larger bold ones can really impress; either have one on the dining table until guests sit down to eat or place on a side table or mantelpiece.

### Conditioning

Buy flowers three days in advance of the occasion, selecting specimens that are just beyond the bud stage, with healthy fresh leaves. Check that stems that have been underwater are not white or pale and are free of slimy bacteria.

When you return home, prepare all plant material by cutting the ends of the stems at a sharp angle and scraping around each stem up from the base. Remove any leaves that will be submerged in the final arrangement and plunge the flowers or foliage into a bucket of water with three or four drops of household bleach added (this inhibits the bacteria that causes plants to rot). Leave in a cool, light (not sunny) place for at least two hours but preferably overnight or until buds have opened and you do the arrangement, ideally the day before the event. Keep the buckets in a cool place to prolong the plant material's life.

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Where do you begin? Getting organized before you reach for that credit card can go a long way toward making your holiday shopping easier and more enjoyable. Follow these tips to keep your sanity and budget intact through the holiday season.

Plan ahead. Remember, as the holiday season grows hectic, so does your schedule. Start planning before you open your first party invitation.

Take the time to find out opening and closing times for your favorite stores; most tend to have longer hours during the holiday season. To avoid crowds, it's best to shop early in the day, avoiding peak times, like lunchtime and weekends, when stores can become crowded and overwhelming.

Make a detailed list. Follow Santa's lead here and make a list, then check it twice. Write down the names of all the children on your gift list, their ages and one hobby or interest. Then try to come up with a few gift ideas that would appeal to several of the children on your list. You will save a lot of time if you can walk into a toy store and buy multiples of just a few items. Be sure to pick up a few things


with universal appeal, like board games, art sets or building blocks too participate in a local charity toy drive and to be prepared in the event an unexpected little person pops up on your list.

Browse online. Need some great gift ideas? Most online toy retailers offer reviews and ratings of their merchandise, which can help you make shopping in a store faster and easier. If you decide to buy online, many sites offer gift-wrapping and several delivery options.

Get them something they need. Toys are great, but the holidays are a perfect time to stock up on fun and useful items too. Colorful mittens or wacky socks make tasty winter gifts. Another great inexpensive gift idea is a battery-powered toothbrush. They make great last minute stocking stuffers because you don't have to brave a crowded toy store to find them. Just go to your local drugstore, grocery store or mass merchandiser.

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KaBloom opened its doors on Sept. 19 and since then, residents of Montclair have been raving about KaBloom, reported owner Natalia Jarden.

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KaBloom is located at 590 Valley Road, Montclair. Call (973) 509-1399 or visit [www.kabloom.com](http://www.kabloom.com).

## Great gift ideas for colleagues

Once Mom, Dad, Sis, Aunt Betty and Sam the dog are checked off your holiday gift list, you're probably feeling pretty ahead of the game. But what about your business associates? The gifts you give them may affect what you can afford to buy dear Uncle Howie next year. Here are a few things that make perfect, practical presents with a touch of class.

- **Fancy some food** - Everyone loves to eat and there is a plethora of places to order beautifully packaged gourmet goodies that can be delivered right to your client. A marketing executive on the east coast says, "My favorite holiday office gift was a huge box of salamis that we kept in the office and nibbled on all season."
- **Personalized with a P** - You work closely with your clients and offering a gift that speaks to their passions and interests (sports, wine, cookies) shows thoughtfulness.
- **A 12-month gift** - To always keep yourself on your

clients' minds, try an "of-the-month" gift that keeps on giving all year long. Fresh flowers, cookies, seasonal fruit, or even exotic potato chips will remind them of your generous ways 12 times a year.

While you're buying for clients, don't forget your hardworking colleagues. Let them know that the time they put in at the office is important by giving them gifts that encourage a little indulgence.

- **The gift of a certificate** - Gift certificates give your employees and co-workers a chance to splurge on themselves. From movie passes at the local cinema to credit at a downtown record store, gift certificates will always be appreciated.
- **"I still remember buying the Beatles No. 1 album with a gift certificate I got from a colleague,"** said a compliance specialist from Brooklyn. "I always think of him whenever I listen to it."
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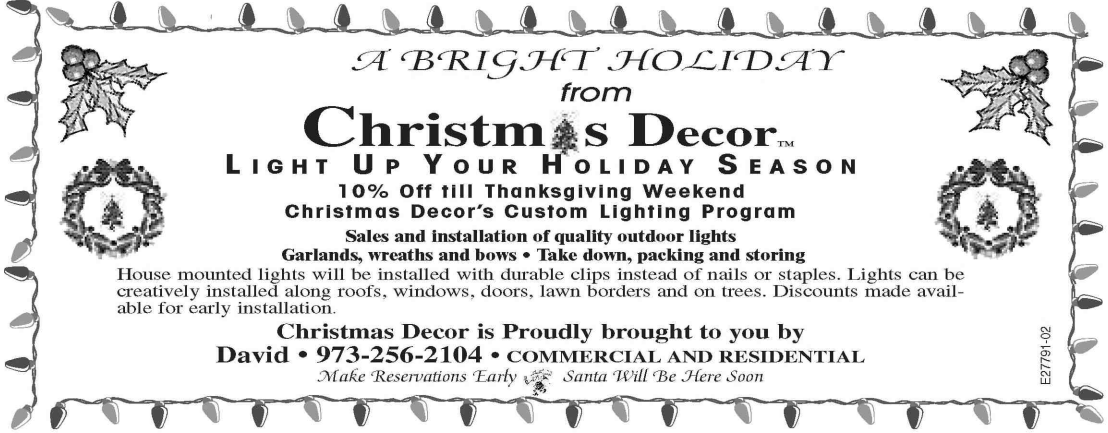
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There are too many great

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## Easy entertaining tips for a festive holiday season

The holiday season seems to get longer and longer every year - sometimes starting even before Thanksgiving Day. Yet most people lead more hectic lives than ever, with packed work and family schedules crowding already full days. This often leaves little time for the holiday entertaining that many of us either are expected to do or want to do, adding another layer of stress. However, entertaining - be it a traditional family dinner, a friendly brunch or a cocktail party for co-workers - is what makes the holidays truly special for many people.

So, how can you strike a balance between entertaining your friends and family while maintaining your sanity and composure? Sally Sampson, cookbook author and expert hostess, says one critical thing not to do is try a new recipe.

Make foods you've made before. Do not try something for the first time on company. Make things that are tried and true for you. Whether you've made it 100 times or even just once, make sure you know it works.

Keep menus simple, especially for large holiday dinners. Keeping things

simple at the holiday is what people expect.

People want the traditional dishes, such as turkey on Thanksgiving Day. If you want to be a bit creative, add a new twist such as a new glaze for a baked ham.

Make as much food ahead of time as possible. If you can make it, freeze it, cook it and serve it in the same piece of cookware, that's even better.

For a new twist on holiday entertaining, try brunch. It's quick, usually less formal than dinners and easy to fit into packed schedules.

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## Give a gift with a personal touch

The holidays are an opportunity to gather with family, friends and loved ones and share special moments while creating memories that last a lifetime. They represent a time to reflect upon the past, take joy in the present and renew hope for the future. To some, the holidays mean gathering around the table for a festive feast, while to children, the holidays mean, well, what else - gifts!

This season, share the joy of gift giving with your child by providing the tools to make gifts for others. Loved ones will appreciate that their gifts were made with them in mind, while children can take delight in knowing that they've accomplished a project of their own creation. Most importantly, the steps and time involved in making a gift for a loved one teaches a child that the best gifts of all - whether given or received - are those that come from the heart.

Here are some creative gift ideas to share with your child.

- Coupon book - a child's homemade, self-illustrated book of coupons to be redeemed as household chores may be the perfect gift for mom or dad. For example, a child can design a coupon that's good towards one day of taking out the trash and another that can be used for cleaning the living room.

- Homemade picture frame - there's nothing more touching than receiving a photograph from a child or grandchild. Help a young one make the experience unique by providing the materials to make a homemade picture frame. Marbles, popsicle sticks, and beads are all items that can be easily glued in decorative patterns onto a picture frame to create a personalized, one-of-a-kind gift.

- Drawings - help a child create a masterpiece for Grandma or Grandpa by providing items which the child can use to create a collage. Scraps of fabric, yarn, buttons, cotton balls or any other household items can turn an ordinary crayon drawing into a three-dimensional work of art.

- Homemade cookies - take a day to bake with your child. A young one can take pride in having baked his or her own gift batch of cookies, not to mention practicing measures and the importance of following directions.

- Storybook - have a child write and illustrate his or her own story. For a truly memorable gift, once the child has added the final artistic touches to the story, take the book to the local copy center where the pages can be bound inexpensively into a booklet or even duplicated to share with other family members.

- Herb garden - an herb garden is an inexpensive, exciting gift for a child to give when he or she is the one who has planted the seeds. Show the child how much water and light the seeds require and watch the child take pride in raising the seeds into edible herbs.

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### Girls' Lacrosse

Next season girls' lacrosse players will be required to wear protective goggles. Currently players are not required to wear any protective gear.

### Boys' Lacrosse

The NJSIAA executive committee unanimously approved three changes to the boys' lacrosse tournament. Starting this season there will be four group champions instead on only one state champion. The state will also introduce a tournament of champions.

### Women's Volleyball

The Belleville Recreation Department is accepting applications for a women's traveling volleyball league that will be competing in Essex County.

Game dates and times will vary weekly, depending on the schedule (home/away), with a minimum of six adult women are needed to form the team.

A minimal fee will be required to pay for game officials. The league is scheduled to begin in mid-to-late-October. For more information, call, 973-450-3422.

### Rec. Dept. Wrestling

Applications for Belleville Recreational Wrestling are now being accepted for the winter season. The program is open to all Belleville residents, ages 6-14. The program will be held Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday evenings in the Belleville High School Wrestling Room starting November 3. All those interested in joining can fill out an application at the Recreation Department, or can call 973-450-3422 for more information.

### Rec. Dept. Basketball

Recreational basketball leagues are now forming for children grades 3-8. Instructional clinics will be held Nov. 3-4, and Nov. 10-11 at the Middle School, with "performance clinics" being held on Nov. 17 for the girls and Nov. 18 for the boys. The registration deadline is Nov. 7. All those interested can fill out an application at the Recreation Department on Jorammon Street.

### Coaches Wanted

The Belleville Recreation Department is seeking adults to volunteer to coach basketball and/or wrestling. Coaches must be available on weeknights and weekends. All those interested are encouraged to contact the Rec. Dept. at 973-450-3422.

## Bucs ready to battle Raiders today

By Mike Lamberti  
For the Belleville Times

When the NNJIL began tweaking the scheduling format in the early 1980s, the Belleville-Nutley football rivalry found a few homes on the schedule.

For nearly 35 years, the game was played in the third week of the season. However, with both schools in the NNJIL by 1982, the format changed somewhat. In '82, the Bucs and Raiders played in the season's fifth week, with Belleville coming away a 10-3 winner.

The following year, the rivalry moved to the opening week of the season. There, Belleville won a 12-6 decision at the Oval. Ironically, that's the last time the Bucs have won at Nutley heading into the annual football game the two will play today, beginning at 10:30 a.m. at the Oval.

In 1984, the Belleville-Nutley rivalry was on the move again, this time to the season finale, generally held on Thanksgiving Day. The rivalry has stayed there ever since, and when the two schools line up for the kickoff today, Belleville will hope to turn the tide in what has become a lopsided rivalry in

Nutley's favor over the past 20 years.

Since the Belleville-Nutley game was moved to Thanksgiving in '84, Nutley holds a 14-3-2 advantage. As mentioned, Belleville hasn't won at the Oval in 20 years, although there have been a few close games there. Here's a look back at this series since it moved to Thanksgiving.

1984: Riding a six-game winning streak against Nutley, Belleville is once again a big favorite when the two meet on Thanksgiving morning at Municipal Stadium. The Bucs take a 6-0 lead in the first quarter on a touchdown pass by Mark Walsh, but Nutley rallies back to take the lead at half-time. The Raiders eventually win 19-6 over a banged-up group of Bucs, who endured a crushing array of injuries down the stretch of a 6-4 season. It was Nutley's first win at Belleville in eight years. Nutley's third-year coach Pete LaBarbiera says afterward that it's his biggest win as a Raider coach.

1985: Nutley holds on to win a 14-0 decision at Belleville over a young group of Bucs, who were led



Alan Leon/staff photographer

**Nutley running back Rich Donatiello works out at practice last week in preparation of today's Thanksgiving classic.**

by Dave Long.

1986: Belleville jumps out to a 27-0 lead and wins a 27-16 decision at Municipal Stadium. Jim Dunphy is Belleville's MVP and Jeff Spilsbury is outstanding at quarterback.

1987: Nutley wins 14-0 at

the Oval, taking advantage of two Belleville turnovers in the second half. John Cerza earns MVP honors in the game for Belleville.

1988: En route to an excellent season which was culminated by a controversial loss to Randolph in the

sectional final, Nutley runs over Belleville 38-13 at Municipal Stadium. Derek Hughes scores on Nutley's first play from scrimmage on a long run. Nick Turano returns a second-half kickoff for a touchdown and is later (See Football on Page B2)

## Boys finish marvelous season

By Mike Lamberti  
For the Belleville Times

The Belleville boys' cross country team kept a promise this fall by not only posting a winning season, but also tying a 29-year old school record for most victories in a season.

"The kids were really focused on getting another winning season," Belleville coach John Tosato, in his 22nd season, said. "It turned out to be that, and more."

The boys posted their fourth straight winning season and fifth in the last six seasons. The "run" of success actually began in 1998 when Belleville rallied past Caldwell 27-28 on a late surge by Rajiv Chauhan, who just edged his Caldwell opponent to gain the winning points. That team finished 6-4, which marked the first winning cross-country season at Belleville since the 1974 team was 7-5.

After a 3-7 mark in '99, the Bucs began a four-year winning streak with a 6-5 mark in 2000, followed by 6-3 in 2001 and 6-5 last year. This year, the Bucs topped those previous years by winning seven matches and posting a 7-3 record. It was the first seven-win season at Belleville in 29 years.

The team's success is attributed mostly to a large

senior class.

"No question, this senior group can really be proud of what they've accomplished," Tosato said. "They were a part of winning teams for their entire high school career."

Kevin Dholaria, the team captain, put together a fine campaign. Dholaria, a four-year letter winner, ran a personal best time of 17:24 this season. He finished 14th at the league championships and 13th at the William Paterson Invitational.

Joe Feola, a three-year letter winner, ran a personal best time of 17:18. He was the overall winner of the Teaneck and West Essex races and took 11th at the league championships.

Victor San Luis, a first-year runner, had a tremendous season. He ran a personal best of 17:48 at the county championships and was 16th at the league championships.

Feola, Dholaria and San Luis earned All-NNJIL honors.

"Joe, Kevin and Victor were our top runners this season," Tosato said. "But we couldn't have done what we did without everyone on the team."

Here's a look at the rest of the varsity team.

Mike Conway: A two-year letter winner, Conway ran a

personal best time of 19:00 and was the fifth runner across for the Bucs at the state sectionals. Conway, a fine all around athlete, will play basketball this winter and baseball next spring for Belleville.

Chris Stolz: A two-year letter winner, Stolz's personal best was 18:44. His Chauhan-like sprint past Paramus' fifth-place runner assured Belleville team medals at the league championships, a second place overall finish, and also avenged a one-point loss in the regular season to Paramus.

Brian Mallari: Another two-year letter winner, Mallari's best time was 19:02. He ran 19:19 at the county championships and was Belleville's sixth runner across that day.

Jon Crawford: In his first year as a letter winner, he posted his personal best time of 19:12, in a race against Bloomfield, and was the team's number four runner for most of the season. He was also called by Tosato, the "most improved senior", and was famous for his strong kick at the end of races.

While the seniors dominated the action, Belleville's future should also be in good (See Country on Page B2)

## Girls' cross-country team enjoyed success

By Mike Lamberti  
For the Belleville Times

While a good deal of focus was directed at the boys' cross-country team, the Belleville girls' cross-country team also enjoyed a good year.

The girls finished 4-6 and finished fifth in the NNJIL, "A" Division.

"They deserve a lot of credit," coach John Tosato said of the girls' team. "The girls improved tremendously during the course of the season and did well against some good competition."

Senior captain Meaghan Morin was a two-year letter winner. She ran a personal best time of 25:04 at the county championships last month.

Senior Jen Henry, a first-year letter winner in her first year on the team, contributed some key points in victories over Paterson Kennedy and Teaneck.

Another senior, Maeve Lopreiato, earned her third varsity letter as the team's manager. An excellent athlete in her own right (she is a shot put and discus thrower in the winter and spring), Lopreiato's work as the scorekeeper and team organizer was very beneficial in helping the coaches concen-

trate on race strategies and motivation.

Sophomore Jaclyn Feola also had an outstanding season. She was generally Belleville's number one finisher and also showed her grit when she battled through a sprained ankle to turn in an excellent performance at the county championships.

"She has the ability to be an outstanding runner," Tosato said of Feola. "You can just tell the way she practices and the way she improved over the season that she can really excel."

Feola, who earned NNJIL Honorable Mention accolades, and her older brother Joe, a second team, NNJIL selectee, both enjoyed tremendous cross-country seasons at Belleville this fall.

Sophomore Iris Sprague and freshman Melanie Matias also displayed the ability to be excellent runners. Along with Feola, the three should form the nucleus of a good team next fall.

Tosato noted the hard work of assistant coach Laura Palmerizzi in helping the team improve this year. He also thanked the parents for their support and enthusiasm at the races.

## Winter sports right around the corner: athletes gearing up

The pageantry of the Belleville-Nutley football game on Thanksgiving will quickly give way to the sweat of preparation for the winter sports season at Belleville High School.

The Friday-after-Thanksgiving is the official start of the winter sports season. At Belleville, that means the beginning of another boys and girls basketball, wrestling, indoor track and bowling seasons. I've always thought that the winter season is the longest. It begins in November, and in some instances, doesn't conclude until mid-March. That's nearly five months, and when you consider the spring sports barely go two and a half months, you wonder where the time goes.

I enjoy all the sports seasons, but I have to say I have

an affinity for the winter season. No matter how cold it is outside, the winter sports are held indoors, so there's no problem with the elements. I've seen my share of exciting high school basketball games and wrestling matches, and thought I'd share a few of them.

December 13, 1974: Without question, the best individual performance I've ever seen by a Belleville basketball player took place on this Friday the 13th, 29 years ago. Abdel Anderson scored 36 points on 16 of 19 shootings and four for four from the foul line as the Bellboys beat Garfield in the season opener, 68-44. Belleville would go on to a 13-10 record and Anderson earned All-State, and later All-America honors. Anderson, who was graduated from

Belleville in 1975, went on to play at Rutgers. He was a key player on the '76 Rutgers team that made an appearance in the Final Four.

## Buc Shots



By Mike Lamberti

January, 1988: Ted Sochaski, who had just broken Anderson's career scoring record, has a monumental game on a Friday night in Belleville as the Bucs defeat

a good Nutley team. Sochaski, still Belleville's all time leading scorer today with over 1,700 points, is carried off the court in a Hoosiers-like conclusion to the Nutley game. Belleville went on to its finest season in 30 years, finishing 15-9.

February 14, 1976: In a classic wrestling match for the ages on a Saturday afternoon, Belleville rallies from a 25-10 deficit to defeat Pascack Hills, 29-25 in Belleville. Pascack Hills hadn't lost a dual match in five years. Chris Tremmel, Keith Waddell, Ken Milano and George D'Allesandro won the final four matches for Belleville, including D'Allesandro's pin at heavyweight which set off a wild celebration on and around the mat.

February, 1984: Jennifer

Apicella, in my opinion the best basketball player I've ever seen (okay, maybe she's tied with Abdel), has a week-end for the ages. Apicella, who had broken her wrist in a game a week earlier but missed just one game because of it, returns with a protective cast on her hand for a game against Ridge-wood on a Saturday afternoon.

She tosses in 41 points, including a mind-boggling 10-straight jump shots midway through the second half. Late in the game, Apicella, who had bad ankles since her freshman year, rolls her ankle and has to be carried off the court. In severe pain, she is taken to the hospital, where x-rays are negative.

Two days later, Apicella is (See Buc Shots on Page B2)



# AREA EVENTS

**PLEASE NOTE:** Items for Area Events must reach us by 3 p.m. the Friday before publication at the latest. The events page goes to press on Friday.

## Fairs, flea markets, etc....

**Craft fair and bake sale,** 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Nov. 29; 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Nov. 30, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Prospect and Harrison streets, Nutley. Downstairs church hall. Admission free. Handmade crafts, holiday items, gift baskets, homemade cakes, pies, breads and cookies. Sponsored by Women's Auxiliary.

**Holiday dinner and sale,** 5:30 to 7 p.m. Dec. 1, St. Mary's gym, Nutley. \$7. No tickets at the door. Sponsored by Catholic Daughters of the Americas - Court Gratia #751. Deadline for tickets: Nov. 26. For tickets, call Wilma at (973) 667-7851. To donate items to be sold, call Marie at (973) 667-7846.

**Holiday boutique,** 4 to 8 p.m. Dec. 4, Spring Garden School, South Spring Garden Ave., Nutley. Holiday gifts and crafts. Santa visits from 5 to 7 p.m. Photos available.

**Holiday flea market and collectible show,** Dec. 6: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (outdoors); 5 to 10 p.m. (indoors); Dec. 7: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (indoors and outdoors), Belleville High School, 100 Passaic Ave., off Joralemon St. Sponsored by Graduation Celebration and SEPPPO.

**Treasure Chest at Cerebral Palsy Center,** 7 Sanford Ave., Belleville, Tuesdays and Thursdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more info, (973) 751-0200.

**Women's Auxiliary Thrift Shop,** to benefit Nutley Family Service Bureau, 172 Chestnut St., 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday; 6 to 8 p.m. Monday evenings.

**Thrift shop, Bloomfield Presbyterian Church,** 147 Broad St., across from Bloomfield High School, 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Wednesday and Friday; 10 a.m. to noon Saturday. For info, (973) 743-2809.

**Center for Hospice Care Thrift Shop,** open Tuesdays, 51 N. Fullerton Ave., Montclair.

## Fundraisers...

**Sleigh Bell on Broadway,** noon Dec. 4, Mayfair Farms, West Orange. Boutique with crafts and jewelry opens at 10:45 a.m. \$40 includes valet parking, luncheon. Sponsored by St. Vincent's Nursing Home Auxiliary. For reservations, call Jeannie Battista at (973) 239-7797.

**Vendor sales,** Belleville Founders' Room, Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville. Dec. 12: unisex apparel and accessories; Dec. 19: costume jewelry.

**Entertainment 2004,** North Jersey edition, \$22. Nutley Jaycees, Mike Paolino, (973) 667-7315; Nutley Elks Lodge #1290, Walter Tice, (973) 661-2775; Bloomfield Columbiettes, Ann Del-lare, (973) 743-3906 or Margaret O'Keefe, (973) 371-9413; Belleville Elks, Jay Meglio, (973) 778-3677; Our Lady of Mount Carmel Knights of Columbus, Fred Bunce, (973) 667-7663.

## Other events....

**Bloomfield Peace Vigil,** 7 to 8 p.m. Nov. 30, Broad Street in front of Bloomfield library. Sponsored by Bloomfield Peace Action. For more info, call (973) 338-5850 or email bpeace@comcast.net.

**Essex County Junior Miss Scholarship Program,** 7:30 p.m. Nov. 29, Nutley High School, 300 Franklin Ave. \$10. For tickets, call Mike Paolino at (973) 667-7315. Sponsored by Nutley Jaycees.

**Christmas party** for members of ladies auxiliary to Stuart E. Edgar Post 493 VFW. For info, call Mar Ann Kane at (973) 667-9349 by Dec. 1.

**Pearl Harbor Day services,** 2 p.m. Dec. 7, VFW Stuart E. Edgar Post 493, 271 Washington Ave., Nutley. Conducted by members of Post 493 and ladies auxiliary.

**Roche Retiree Club** dinner party, 11 a.m. Dec. 13, Wayne Manor, Rt. 23, Wayne. Music by Peter Lieberman. Check hotline at (973) 235-5200 for updates.

**Belleville-Nutley Chap-**

**ter of Hadassah,** Paid-Up Membership Meeting and Brunch, 10:30 a.m. Dec. 14, Hadassah Northern NJ Region office, 1005 Clifton Ave., Clifton. Prospective members also welcome. For more info, call (973) 759-7395.

**Wine and cheese social for singles,** sponsored by Travelin' Catholics Cruise & Tour Club, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 19, Archdiocesan Youth Retreat

Center, 499 Belgrove Drive, Kearny. \$10. Leave name and number at (973) 680-1577.

**Big Band Night,** 8 p.m. last Monday of the month, Belleville Knights of Columbus #835, Bridge St. For info, call (973) 759-9656. \$5

cover/cash bar.

**Free blood pressure readings,** by registered nurse, 10 a.m. to noon every other Friday, Nutley Red Cross, 169 Chestnut St. No appointment necessary. For more info, call (973) 667-3818.

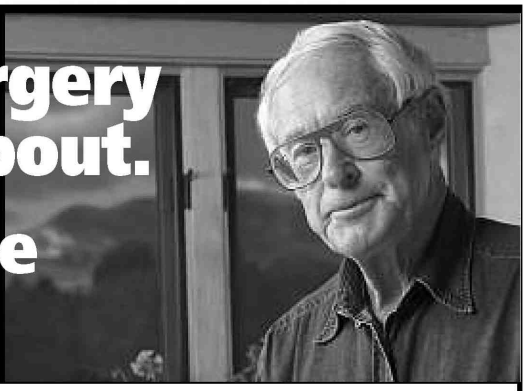
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# OBITUARIES

## Joan Ann Sheridan

A Mass for Joan Ann Sheridan, 70, of Belleville was offered Nov. 18 in St. Mary's Church, Nutley, after the funeral from the Megaro Memorial Home, Belleville.

Mrs. Sheridan died Nov. 14 in Columbus Hospital, Newark.

She was a customer service representative for

Brunswick Olympic Bowl, Belleville, for 25 years before retiring two years ago.

Mrs. Sheridan was secretary of the Wednesday Noon Ladies Bowling League at the Belleville lanes for many years.

Born in Newark, she moved to Belleville 41 years ago.

Surviving are a daughter, Kimberly; a son, Robert; a sister, Diane Gomes, and a grandchild.

Belleville 50 years ago.

Surviving are her husband, Robert; sons, Robert M. and James; sisters, Maureen DeFuria and Eileen Wohl, and two grandchildren.

## Pompea Fernandez

Services for Pompea Fernandez, 77, of Belleville were held Nov. 18 in the Biondi Funeral Home of Nutley.

Mrs. Fernandez, who died Nov. 14 at home, was a surgical supply packer in the central supply department of Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville, for 15 years before retiring 17 years ago. Previously, she assisted her late husband, Francisco, in his sculpting studio in Uruguay.

She was a member of the Nutley Golden Agers.

Born in Montevideo, Uruguay, she lived in Nutley for 30 years before moving to Belleville two years ago.

Surviving are a daughter, Dalia Anley, and two grandchildren.

## Angelina Kurzel

Angelina Kurzel, 80, of Belleville died Nov. 18 in Mountainside Hospital, Glen Ridge.

A Mass was offered Nov. 21 in St. Peter's Church, Belleville, after the funeral from the S.W. Brown & Son Funeral Home, Nutley.

Mrs. Kurzel was a member of the Senior Citizens Monday Group, Vegas.

Belleville.

Born in Newark, she moved to Belleville in 1950.

Surviving are her husband, Raymond A., and a sister, Sylvia DAlessio.

## James Lawler

A memorial service for James Lawler, 60, of Las Vegas, Nev., formerly of Belleville, was held on Nov. 21 in the Kiernan Funeral Home, Belleville.

Mr. Lawler died Sept. 16 in Odyssey House, Las Vegas.

He was a computer consultant for the banking industry in New Jersey for many years before retiring.

He served in the Army from 1964 to 1966 and belonged to the Nutley Amvets Post 493 as an employee and member.

Born in Newark, Mr. Lawler lived in Belleville most of his life before moving to Las Vegas six years ago.

Surviving is a brother, Harry.

## RELIGION

### Religion news from local churches

#### Wesley presents Dickens

"A Christmas Carol," a musical for children, will be presented Saturday, Dec. 13 at 7 p.m. at Wesley Methodist Church in Belleville, located at 225 Washington Ave. (next to the public library). It is indeed a special occasion for gathering of families, friends and neighbors singing and celebrating of our joy of salvation for the Incarnation of Jesus the Lord and Savior. Admission is free.

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#### Fabulous Fridays

A special **Fabulous Friday Program** will meet Nov. 28 from 9:30 a.m. to

11:30 a.m. for breakfast and a movie for children five to 10 years of age. After breakfast the children will watch a video on the eight-foot screen in the sanctuary.

• The church will also be hosting two evangelists this month.

Rev. Mark Handy from World Outreach Ministries is primarily to the third world nations across the 10/40 window and in particular, the country of India. The Thanksgiving morning service will feature Rev. Harry Ramkissoon from Trinidad, who will speak at 9:45 a.m. The Joshua Worship Band will also be leading at all services.

For directions or any questions, please call Rev.

Grace Alfieri at (973) 751-2290 and leave a message. The church is located at 77 Wallace St. in Belleville.

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#### The latest from Christ Episcopal

##### Under the Quilt concert Nov. 28

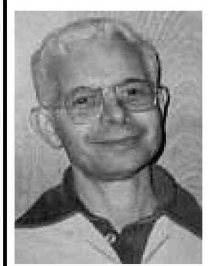
Christ Episcopal Church has announced plans for "Under the Quilt": A Concert for AIDS Awareness" Friday, Nov. 28 at 8 p.m. at the church, 393 Washington Ave., Belleville.

Tickets are \$16 in advance and \$20 at the door. Proceeds for the event will help defray the cost of displaying the quilt.

The concert serves as the opening of the display of 14 blocks of the AIDS Memorial Quilt, which will be on display at Christ Church from Friday, Nov. 28 through Sunday, Dec. 7, the week of World AIDS Day, which is Monday, Dec. 1. Christ Church is spearheading the project.



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If you are taking any one of a number of certain antibiotics called quinolones (Cipro, Floxin and Noroxin), you should be aware that their use increases the chances of rupturing the Achilles tendon, which is the strap-like tissue behind the ankle that works to extend the foot. According to recent research, people who currently used quinolones were more than four times as likely as non-users to sustain a tendon rupture. Past treatment with quinolones also made rupture more likely, but the effect was not nearly as strong as current use. Researchers found that quinolones use was a particular problem for the elderly. Quinolone users in their 60s and 70s were about six times more likely than non users to sustain a rupture.

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HINT: Researchers found that quinolone users in their 80s and 90s were about 20 times more likely Achilles tendons as non-users.

## Joan Caruso

Joan Caruso, 71, of Belleville died Nov. 16 at home.

A Mass was offered Nov. 17 in Holy Family Church, Nutley, after the funeral from the S.W. Brown & Son Funeral Home, Nutley.

Mrs. Caruso worked in the admitting office at Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville, for 30 years before retiring 10 years ago.

Born in Passaic, she lived in Nutley before moving to

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10:15am- Main Service and Church School

11:30am- Fellowship Hour

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**Dec. 3**  
• High School Band Ensembles and Concert Choir

perform for AARP 1 p.m.  
Franklin Avenue - Senior Center

**Dec. 4**  
• Township Tree Lighting and Santa Parade - HS Marching Band and Concert Choir perform - 6:30 p.m. Recreation House

**Dec. 5**  
• School 4's 5th and 6th Grade Chorus performs at Paramus Park 10 a.m.

**Dec. 9**  
• High School Band performs at Clara Maass Hospital Tree lighting - 4:30 p.m. - Hospital  
• Middle School Band and Orchestra Holiday Concert - 7 p.m. - Middle School Auditorium

**Dec. 11**  
• High School Holiday Concert - Chorus, Orchestra and Dance Company 7 p.m. High School Auditorium

**Dec. 16**  
• School 5 Holiday Program 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.  
• School 9 Holiday Program 9:30 a.m.  
• High School Small Ensembles perform at Clara Maass Geriatric Center 1 p.m.  
• School 4 Holiday Program 1:30 p.m.

**Dec. 17**  
• School 10 Holiday Program 1:30 p.m.

**Dec. 18**  
• School 3 Holiday Program 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.  
• School 7 Holiday Program 1:30 p.m. (students only)  
• School 8's 5th and 6th grade Chorus perform at Paramus Park 1:45 p.m.  
• Middle School Chorus Holiday Concert - 7 p.m. - Middle School Auditorium

**Dec. 19**  
• School 8's Holiday Program 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.  
• High School Chorus, Orchestra and Dance Company perform at MS (assembly program) 9:45 a.m.

**Dec. 23**  
• School 4 Chorus performs at Waterview Nursing Home Cedar Grove 10 a.m.  
• Caroling and Small Ensemble performances in the halls and offices of BHS

## January

**Jan. 22**  
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SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 2003-013409

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY,  
CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY,  
DOCKET NO. 03F1029901 FIRSTSTAR BANK,  
Plaintiff, vs. JAMES MALEN S. PIERCE,  
ET AL, DEFENDANTS

Execution For Sale of Mortgaged Premises

By virtue of the above stated writ of Execution, the undersigned Sheriff of Essex County, by Public Auction, in SHERIFF'S OFFICE, Essex County Courts Building located in Newark, on Tuesday, December 23, 2003, at one-thirty P.M. (Preliminary Time)

Commonly known as:  
10000777 HARRISON ST  
BLOOMFIELD 07003  
Lot 11 Block: 428

Size: 187.85 Feet X 50.53 FEET

Nearest street name: Lewis Street 162.00 feet

A full legal description can be found in the office of the Register of Essex County.

The property is being sold at bid price in certified funds as required at the time of sale.

Township of Bloomfield holds a claim for taxes and other charges on the property for water and/or sewer in the amount of \$1798.15 as of 1/13/2003.

The approximate amount of the Judgment to be paid by the Defendant is the sum of TWO HUNDRED TWENTY THREE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED EIGHTEEN AND 19/100 Dollars (\$223,818.19), together with the costs of this sale.

The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn the sale from time to time as provided by Law.

ARMANDO B. FONTOURA, Sheriff  
WILLIAM M. POWERS, JR, ATTORNEY(S)  
JAMES M. PIERCE \$174001

Fee \$58.48

Nov 27, Dec. 4, 11, 18, 2003

Take Notice that application has been made to the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Passaic, County of Passaic, New Jersey, to the Passaic Cheers Enterprises LLC, trading as The Grapevine, for premises located at 190 Passaic Avenue, Belleville, NJ, The Type A Pleasantville, NJ, and The Type B premises used to Brusha Inc., trading as The Grapevine, for premises located at 190 Passaic Avenue, Belleville, NJ, and The Type A premises, to be made immediately in writing to Kelly A. Nash, Township Clerk, Town Hall, Belleville, New Jersey.

Applicant: Charters Enterprises LLC  
Members: Michael and Linda Scott, 55 Hillside  
Crescent, Nutley, NJ 07110

Belleville Times 830486  
Fee \$14.28  
Nov. 27, Dec. 4, 2003

**TOWNSHIP OF BELLEVILLE  
PLANNING BOARD  
FORM OF NOTICE  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE**

That the undersigned has applied to the Belleville Planning Board in the Township of Belleville for a subdivision-site plan approval so that the applicant may have the right to use the premises located at Christ Episcopal Church Cemetery, 19-29 William Street which is within 200 feet of property owned by you.

This application is now #B2003-09 on the Clerk's Calendar, and a public hearing has been ordered for December 11, 2003 at 8:00 a.m. in the Board Room, 120 Washington Avenue, Belleville, New Jersey, second floor (Court Room), at which time you may appear either in person, or by agent or attorney, and present any objections you may have to the granting of this application. Copies of all documents related to this application are available for public inspection at the Office of Planning and Development, 152 Washington Avenue, Belleville, New Jersey during regular business hours.

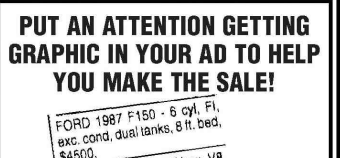
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As Agent

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PAID IN FULL. If the amount of the tax sale certificate is less than the amount of the tax due, the balance of the tax due in excess of eighteen percent per annum. This payment for sale shall be made before the conclusion of the sale, or the property will be resold. **PAYMENT MUST BE MADE IN FULL BY CERTIFIED CHECK, MONEY ORDER OR CASH.** (Chapter 237, § 1, 1918). No letters of credit or wire transfers will be accepted. Any parcel of real property for which there shall be no purchaser will be struck off and sold to the municipality, water, sewer, or municipal charges on real property and providing the collection thereof by the creation and enforcement of liens, thereon and any Supplemental or Amendments thereon. Industrial Properties may be subject to the Spill Compensation and Control Act (NUSA 58:10-23.11 et seq.), the Water Pollution Control Act (NUSA 13:1K-6 et seq.). In addition, the parcels are to be sold subject to rollback taxes under the Farmland Assessment Act of 1964. Improvement assessment installments not yet due and any omitted or added assessments for improvement as provided in NUSA 64:1-63.2 and 64-63.3.

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JOAN CONWAY, CTC  
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





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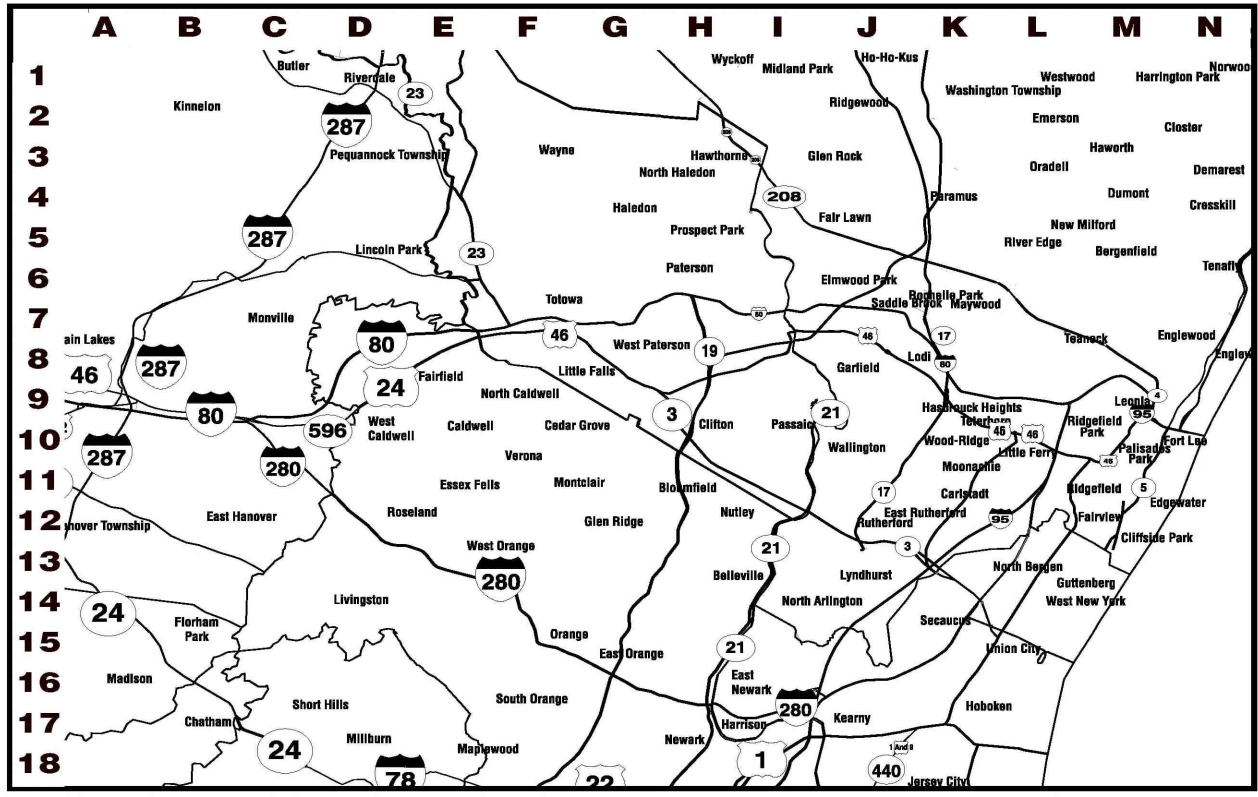
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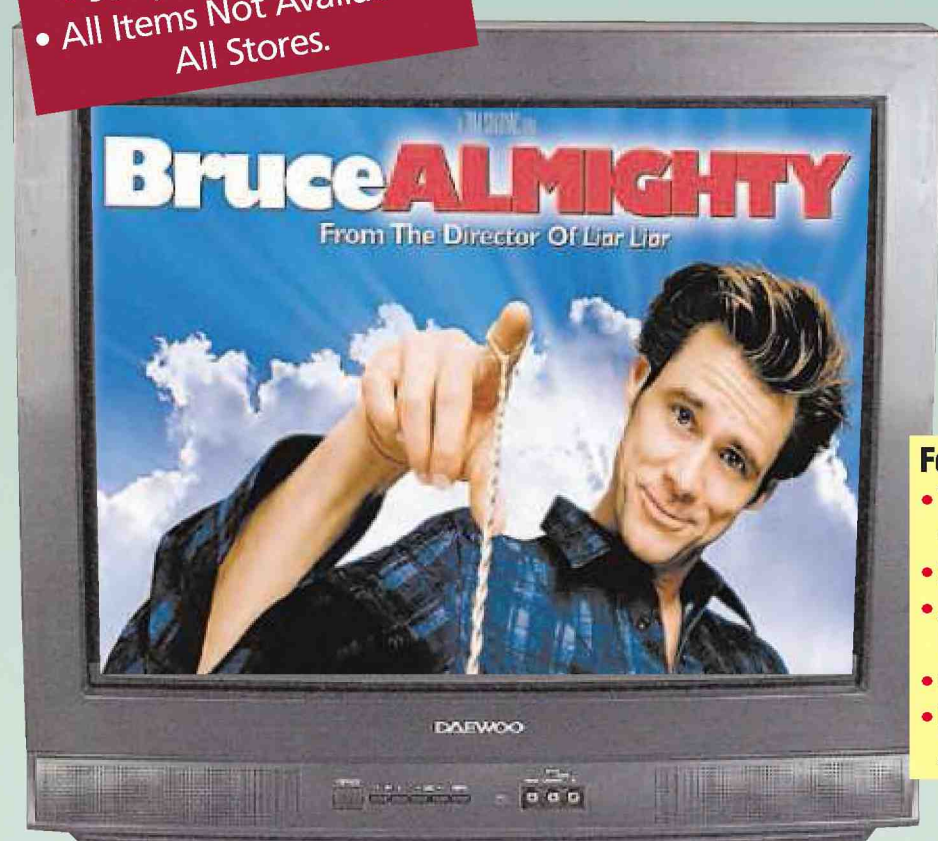
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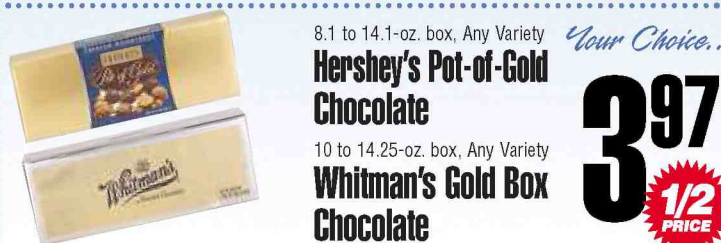
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