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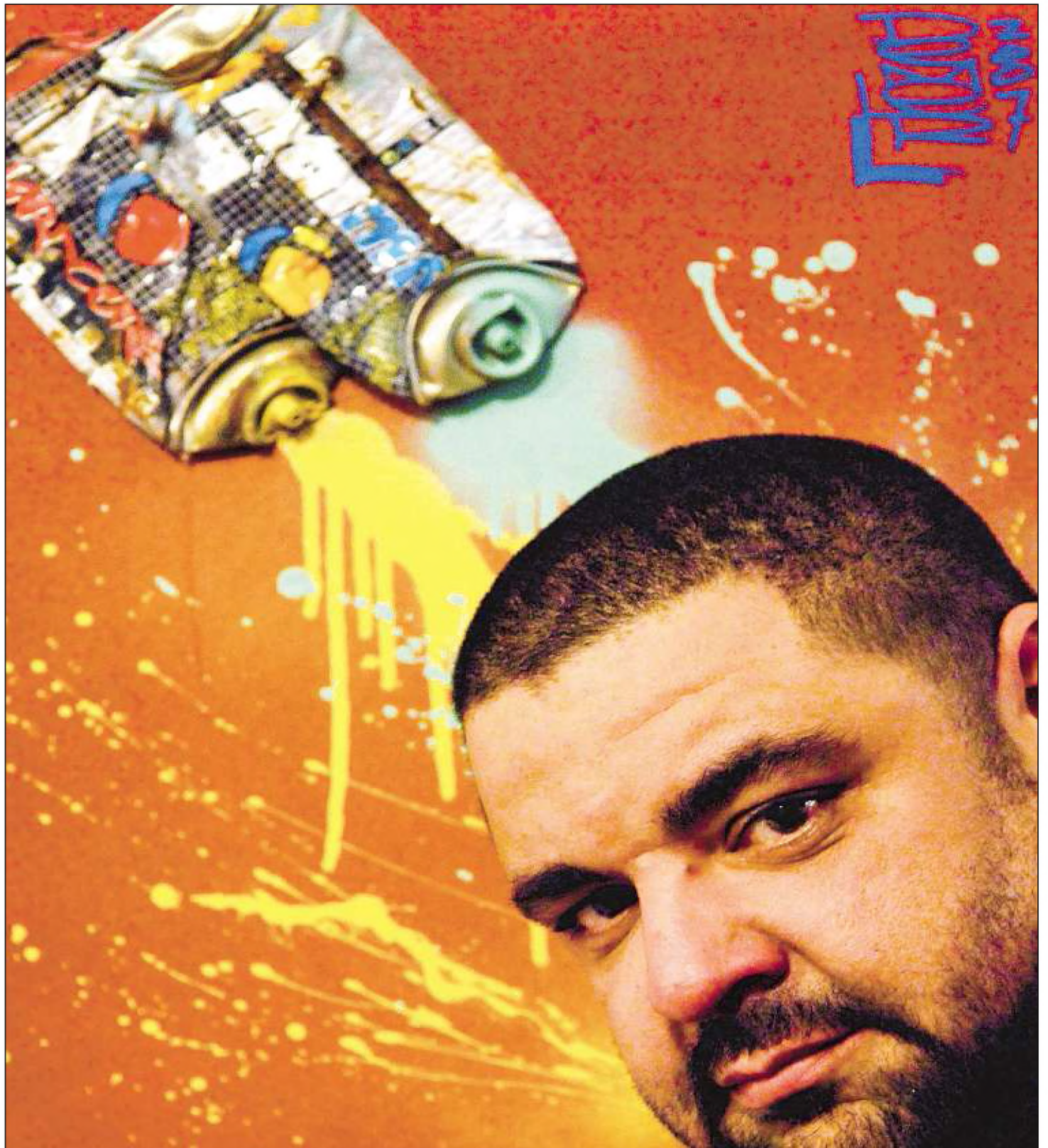
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The painted word

Belleville shop hosts graffiti art show this weekend



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Ray Llopiz, owner of Graffiti Comix, is seen here with one of his canvas art pieces. On Feb. 10 he will be hosting sketch sessions for young people at his Washington Avenue shop.



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■ Police arrested and charged Michael Armstrong, 20, of Belleville with possession of marijuana, possession of marijuana with intent to distribute, and possession of marijuana with intent to distribute within 1,000 feet of a school at 7:55 p.m. on Dec. 3, 2006. Police conducted a motor vehicle stop near 127 Belmont Ave. and smelled marijuana in the vehicle. Police did not release information about this arrest right away because it was part of an ongoing investigation.

A search turned up one large bag of marijuana, with smaller bags inside. Bail was set at \$35,000.

■ Police arrested and charged

Harry Correa, 27, of Belleville with possession of a bag of marijuana at 10:35 p.m. on Jan. 28. Police were called to a home in the 100 block of Holmes Street on word of a disturbance, and found the suspect with the marijuana in plain view. No bail was set.

■ Property was reported missing from a construction site at 148 Heckel St. at 12:16 p.m. on Jan. 28. Reported missing was plywood, studs and windows. No dollar amount was given for the items.

■ Police arrested and charged Peter Galub, 43, of Belleville with possession of a clear vial of cocaine at 1:28 p.m. on Jan. 26. After being stopped for a motor vehicle viola-

tion, the suspect attempted to flee and was caught. He was released on his own recognizance.

■ Police arrested and charged Sharon Waltenberg, 40, of Newark, with possession of a wax fold of heroin after police attempted to serve her with a warrant at 10:02 a.m. on Jan. 26. She was observed driving and a motor vehicle stop was made on Woodside Avenue. The heroin was seen in clear view. She was taken in on the \$2,030 warrant.

■ An incident of criminal mischief to a 1994 Honda Accord was reported at 8:40 p.m. on Jan. 26. The car's rear passenger window was reported smashed on Watchung Avenue.

■ Property damage was reported in the 300 block of DeWitt Avenue on Jan. 26. The front window of the home was reported shattered, possibly by a tree branch.

■ Police arrested and charged Alexander Alvarez, 22, of Belleville with simple assault at 8:45 p.m. in the 50 block of Moore Place. Police were called to the home on the report of a disturbance, and arrested the suspect.

■ Police arrested and charged Joanne Rivera, 31, of Newark with possession of three vials of cocaine at 2:20 p.m. on Jan. 25. Police observed two people arguing in a motor vehicle that was parked, and saw three vials on the floor of the

vehicle. She had a \$475 Newark warrant.

■ Police arrested and charged Arthur Rush, 51, of Nutley with driving while intoxicated at 7:45 p.m. on Jan. 24. Police observed the suspect driving at a high rate of speed near Franklin and North 8th streets and conducted a motor vehicle stop, finding Rush to be intoxicated. Before being caught, Rush put the car in reverse and tried to flee. He was released on his own recognizance.

■ Police arrested and charged Carmen Torres, 35, of East Orange with possession of a wax fold of heroin at 3:05 p.m. on Jan. 24. After an anonymous call that someone was using illegal drugs in a motor vehicle, police found the suspect parked in the Franklin Square Shopping Center and saw the woman drop something onto the floor which turned out to be heroin. She was released on her own recognizance.

■ Police arrested and charged Richard Wells, 50, of Kearny with possession of several wax folds of heroin at 10:25 a.m. on Jan. 24. His vehicle was stopped for careless driving, for drifting in and out of lanes on Route 21 North, and when stopped tossed items out of the driver's side window that were later recovered. He was released on his own recognizance.

■ Police arrested and charged Jennifer Guerrero, 21, of Belleville with possession of four bags of cocaine at 9 p.m. on Jan. 23. She was stopped for driving at a high rate of speed near 238 Belmont Ave. and threw two glass pipes and the bags of cocaine into the back seat. Bail was set at \$1,000 and she had warrants out of Belleville, Clifton and Kearny totaling \$5,683.

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The program will be held on Friday nights, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., at School #7 beginning January 19, 2007.

Participants will be instructed on the fundamental skills involved in basketball, including dribbling, passing and shooting.

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Officials have high hopes for block grant cash

BY RICHARD DICKON
of Belleville Times

Township Manager Victor Canning talked about what the township will be able to accomplish with the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) money he said he hopes is coming to the township.

He said that a total of \$400,000 is in the pipeline for Belleville's allotment, including \$250,000 to repair and restore the more than 300-year-old Dutch Reformed Church at the corner of Rutgers and Main streets.

Then there is Community Economic Revitalization (CERP) money to provide handicapped accessibility in some township-owned buildings.

"We're very appreciate of the county executive (Joseph DiVincenzo) for the help," Canning said.

Now the township must complete the process of taking possession of the church so repairs and restoration can begin, he said.

Canning said the church official in charge of the Chassis, which is like a board of directors for a group of churches, has told him the group will decide in February or March to what he hopes ultimately will give the township the church.

"Legally, they have to make sure there's no holds on the property," he said. "We can't take it unless they are willing to give it to us"

This year's allotment is to be announced officially in late February or early March.

The Township Council submitted a list of items to improve things in Belleville.

Begun in 1974, the CDBG program is one of the longest continuously run programs at the federal Department for Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The program provides communities with resources to address a wide range of unique community devel-

opment needs, according to officials. For example, it assists with homeownership, housing rehabilitation, public improvements, public services, and economic development projects, officials said. Every dollar of the CDBG program invested in communities is leveraged by three dollars in private funding. Annual grants are based on a formula basis and provide to local governments and states.

There is no guarantee that every request will be granted by the program, according to officials.

Officials said HUD screens every area requested by municipalities, even though towns have already prioritized the list. Every year towns get some proposals rejected. For example, with applications for senior citizen buses, towns only get some of the funding for which they ask.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) projects and Community Economic Redevelopment Program requests generally receive more favorable attention from CDBG, officials said.

In Belleville, a series of areas have been chosen in order of priority for 2007. The decisions were made after public hearings were held on Nov. 9, Nov. 10 and Dec. 12 on CDBG applications, giving members of the public and the township council the opportunity to suggest priorities for funding.

First, there is a request for money from the CERP Façade Program. The program is part of the CDBG program, and pays for business façade improvements, infrastructure improvement like parking lots or buildings.

Next is money for senior citizen transportation.

After that comes Americans with Disabilities Administration (ADA) money for the Dutch Reformed Church. The money would allow access to the church,

and bathroom and roof repairs for the church, which currently is home to a Hispanic congregation.

Finally, there is a request for money to reconstruct a number of streets in the township. CDBG money has been used in the past to repave many streets in the township. The list this year included:

■ Naples Avenue, from Newark Avenue to Franklin Street

■ Baldwin Place, the entire length

■ Holmes Street, from Washington Avenue to Hornblower Avenue

■ Floyd Street, from Division Avenue to Overlook Street

■ Ralph Street, the entire length

■ Maier Street, from Branchbrook Drive to Garden Avenue

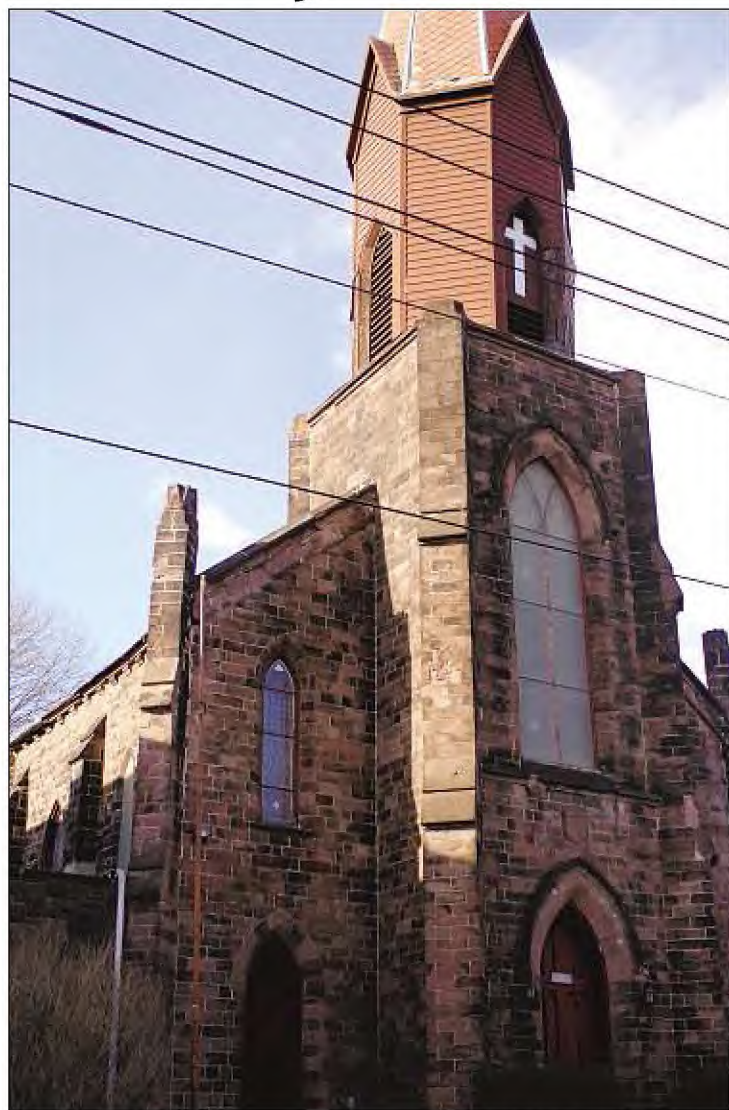
■ Overlook Avenue, from Union Avenue to Washington Avenue

■ Division Avenue, from Union Avenue to Washington Avenue

This week, Belleville was also officially given the money for requests made and granted for 2006 CDBG funds. The township received \$125,000 for the purchase of an ambulance and \$279,826 for the reconstruction of DeWitt Avenue, for a total of \$405,326.

Essex County Executive Joseph DiVincenzo stated that "Our eligible municipalities and non-profit groups depend on CDBG funding to upgrade infrastructure, support programs that benefit the elderly, young and needy, and improve handicap access. CDBG is a direct investment to help fulfill the needs of our communities. Over the past several years, I have witnessed how these projects and programs have benefited our residents' quality of life."

Saying he was determined to invest more federal resources in New Jersey communities, Congressman Rep. Bill Pascrell, Jr. successfully led an effort to increase funding for the CDBG program. Last June 14, the House of Repre-



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Municipal officials want to spend some of the town's grant on renovations for the 300-year-old Dutch Reformed Church.

sentatives voted for a massive increase in the funding level for the CDBG program. While CDBG received \$3.7 billion in 2006, the bill passed by the House included \$4.2 billion for CDBG in fiscal year 2007, the level of funding requested in a letter authored by

Pascrell, and sent with the bipartisan support of 115 members of Congress. This was far above the mere \$3 billion requested by President Bush.

New Jersey received \$103 million in CDBG funding in Fiscal Year 2006.

Fifty firefighters battle huge blaze

Belleville firefighters combated one of the largest fires Belleville has seen in years last Saturday when a blaze broke out on 353 Cortlandt Street in a commercial complex, according to a press release from the Belleville Fire Department.

The fire broke out at approximately 7:00 p.m. on Jan. 27th and was classified as a three-alarm fire. Reports were called in stating that fire was coming from the four story buildings third floor windows, which was confirmed when firefighters arrived on the scene minutes after 7:00 p.m. Engine 2 was the first on the scene and activated its deck gun to begin the initial fight against the blaze.

Incident Command Battalion Chief Nufrio requested mutual aid directly to the scene, bringing engine companies from the Nutley and Bloomfield Fire Departments.

A second alarm was transmitted just ten minutes after the engine companies had arrived, requesting assistance from the Newark Fire Department, which responded quickly by sending two additional engines to the scene.

The fire spread quickly despite the work of the firefighters and made its way north into the fourth floor. Fire crews made attempts to

stretch hoses to the third and fourth floors but could not reach the areas due to the large volume of fire and smoke.

All firefighters eventually had to be evacuated from the building and were ordered to switch to defensive mode in an effort to simply contain the fire. Aerial ladders with pre-piped waterways were positioned to keep the fire from spreading to the attached buildings and rooftop hoses were positioned to direct water streams onto the fire from above.

A third alarm was struck and engine companies from Cedar Grove and West Orange arrived to aid in the containment of the fire.

Despite the efforts from the fire crews on scene the flames from the fire burned through the top floor and across the roof, causing a partial collapse of the roof into the fourth floor. Most of the subfloor and joists were burned away and cracks began to appear along the vertical sections of the outer walls, causing firefighters to prepare for a potential structural collapse.

The heavy volume of fire, deteriorating conditions, age of the structure and thick smoke all factored in to the heavy damage that the seemingly uncontrollable inferno caused.

Over 50 firefighters worked to control the fire, which was accomplished nearly six hours after its beginning. The fire was declared under control at 12:50 a.m. the next day and was not extinguished until 2:00 a.m. Sunday morning. Firefighters remained on the scene through Sunday afternoon to monitor any hot spots or flare-ups.

The final damage to the building was extensive and a video production company located inside the building is being considered a total loss. Severe fire damage occurred on the third and fourth floors with heavy smoke and water damage accumulating on the first and second floors. Only minimal damage occurred to the adjacent building at 357 Cortlandt Street. None of the several people in the building at the time the blaze broke out were hurt, although one firefighter was treated for a possible broken hand.

Members of the Fire Investigation Bureau are still investigating the cause of the fire with assistance from the Essex County Prosecutors Office Arson Unit. No official cause has been determined but preliminary indications point to an accidental cause, narrowing the point of origin to within the studio on the third floor.

Three small bombs detonated near Belleville factory

BY RICHARD DICKON
of Belleville Times

The third of three homemade explosives blew up in an area outside Foam Rubber Fabricators on Jan. 26, causing a loud bang but no injuries, police said.

The device, which was made with an orange soda bottle and household chemicals, exploded in a field near the 740 Washington Ave. facility around 11:45 a.m., Capt. Mark Minichini said.

There were similar incidents on Jan. 17 and 18, but the company's owner was not around when they blew, Minichini said.

After the Jan. 26 incident, witnesses told police this was not the

first time a homemade explosive had been set off in the area.

"This is a dangerous prank and is illegal," Minichini said.

In addition to the Belleville police and fire departments, the Essex County Sheriff's Department bomb squad, the Essex County Prosecutor's Office, and Nutley Fire Departments hazardous materials unit responded and are all involved in the investigation, Minichini said.

Last year in Nutley, a simple homemade explosive was also detonated, damaging a parked car and prompting an investigation by a number of law enforcement agencies.

Class of '82 holding reunion

Belleville High School Class of 1982 will be hosting their 25th reunion on November 23, 2007 at the Landmark in East Rutherford.

For more information please visit our website <http://bhsreunion.booch.net> or email us at reunioncommittee@booch.net

Kelly Nash is Municipal Clerk. Her number is 973-450-3310 or fax 973-759-1631. Victor Canning is township manager. His number is 973-450-3322 or fax 973-759-8022.

Officials should have more on their agenda

There are all kinds of rules governing the conduct of public meetings of the government, rules spelled out both under state law and longstanding custom. Business conducted by governing bodies such as state legislatures, town governments and school boards must be conducted out in the open where possible (some personnel matters and legal questions are among those subjects suitable for so-called "closed" or executive session, as is any matter pertaining to

a minor). Members of governing bodies are generally not supposed to form a quorum - i.e., a voting majority - unless they are doing so during a public meeting (this is to discourage officials from effectively making decisions away from the public eye and merely passing a rubber stamp vote during the public portion; citizens have a right to witness their government's deliberations). And notice must be given to let people know a meeting is coming up. After all, there is no

point in meeting for the public's benefit if the public has no idea the meeting is taking place.

Given all of these rules, it's obvious that there is a long tradition of ensuring public participation in the legislative process, of making sure the people can be heard when an issue of importance comes up. Which is why the recent actions of two local governing bodies is troubling.

During the last several weeks, the board of education voted on at

least two high-profile hirings - for a vice-principal and a school psychologist - even though news of those hirings was not on the agenda beforehand; instead, school officials verbally announced the items just before the meetings. The public had no chance to digest these items in advance. The public likewise did not learn of the new zoning regulations that were presented to the township council before a recent public meeting; again, this hugely important item was not on

the agenda beforehand.

Both the board of education and the township council should be aware of how important it is to follow procedures that keep the public in the loop.

Sure, mistakes and oversights do happen. But for the sake of ensuring the public's right to have a say in the decisions that affect their lives and how their money will be spent, both governing bodies must be more careful in the future.

LETTERS

In praise of 'upstanders'

TO THE EDITOR:

It was with great pleasure that I read of an event that took place at School Nine on Dec. 14, as shown in the Jan. 4, issue of the Belleville Times. The article was

based upon the Holocaust during World War II. Caterina Yiscomi, teacher of Italian K-12, is to be commended for making all the needed arrangements in having speaker Dr. Paul Winkler, executive director of the New Jersey Commission on Holocaust Education, speak to students of grades four, five and six.

I want to insert a story that a Jewish lady confided in me. It was

during this period of time with the Nazis in Italy - they burned her father in front of her mother, brother and sister. They took her mother to the gas chamber. The three young children were taken to a concentration camp surrounded by vicious dogs. A group of Italian men rescued them from concentration camp and took them to another part of Italy. From there they smuggled them

to America.

In my last conversation with her she complimented the Italians for the great hospitality they gave her.

Then she passed away. For these children there was a great lesson to learn. What stand do we want to take - the bully, the victim, the by-stander or their own coined word "upstander?"

My prayers are with the young generation of today because they have a lot to reflect upon.

For my part, Italy, I was taken away from you. I did not leave you. I love you.

Ciao.

Catherine Malavarca
Belleville

March of Dimes preparing to launch WalkAmerica

On Wednesday, February 7, the March of Dimes will be holding a networking breakfast hosted by Mayfair Farms, West Orange, from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. to launch WalkAmerica in Essex County. The breakfast provides an opportunity for individuals to network with major corporations and schools in Essex County and will feature special guest speaker Dina Matos McGreevey. Attendees will enjoy breakfast and have a chance to win great prizes such as New Jersey Nets tickets for the 2006/2007 season. All are welcome to attend to learn more about the March of Dimes and WalkAmerica and need to RSVP to Maggie Memoli at 973-882-0700x14.

"We are very excited for our WalkAmerica Kick-Off Breakfast, as we have a fun morning planned and I would like to extend an invitation to the community to come out and find out more about how they can get involved in WalkAmerica in Essex County," said Dina Matos McGreevey, Essex County WalkAmerica spokesperson. "I have been involved with the March of Dimes for over ten years and the organization's mission became even closer to my heart when my daughter Jacqueline was

born premature. Today I still have a strong commitment to the organization and our breakfast provides a great opportunity for the community to learn how they can be part of one of the most loved walks in the country," she added.

More than half a million babies are born too soon every year. Many die. More than 120,000 babies are born with serious birth defects that can mean a lifetime disability.

That's why WalkAmerica has been the country's best-loved walking event since its beginnings in 1970. As the first national walk, it has become the March of Dimes largest fundraiser. To date WalkAmerica has raised more than \$1.7 billion takes place in 1,100 communities in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. Now in its 37th year, WalkAmerica is expected to draw 1 million walkers. Overall, more than 7 million men, women and children will participate as sponsors, volunteers and walkers this year.

"Last year Essex County raised an impressive \$290,000 to help find the causes of premature birth. We have an ambitious goal this year but we are confident that we will be able to meet this goal with the support of the Essex

county community," said Jorge Cardenas, Essex County WalkAmerica chair and Vice President of Gas Delivery at PSEG. "I invite the community to attend our breakfast to network, have fun and learn more about WalkAmerica. I am truly excited for our 2007 campaign

To RSVP for the Essex County WalkAmerica Networking breakfast or for more information, including volunteer opportunities, please contact Maggie Memoli, Essex County Community Director at 973-882-0700x14. Also you can register for WalkAmerica, which will be on Sunday, April 29, at Brookdale Park in Bloomfield, visit www.walkamerica.org.

The March of Dimes is a national voluntary health agency whose mission is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth and infant mortality.

Founded in 1938, the March of Dimes funds programs of research, community services, education, and advocacy to save babies and in 2003 launched a campaign to address the increasing rate of premature birth. For more information, visit the March of Dimes Web site at marchofdimes.com or its Spanish Web site at nacersano.org.

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Karate school holding fundraiser

A Martial Arts for St. Jude event benefiting St. Jude Children's Hospital will be held at Kingdom Karate World Group on Feb. 24 in Belleville.

The volunteer coordinator for this event is Yessenia Torres, who encourages everyone to participate.

By participating in or attending the event, you will help raise funds for children of the world who are stricken with diseases like cancer, AIDS, and Sickle Cell Anemia. These funds will help St. Jude in its ongoing fight against childhood cancer and other catastrophic diseases.

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with cancer and other catastrophic diseases. Founded by the late entertainer, Danny Thomas, and based in Memphis, Tenn., St. Jude freely shares its discoveries with scientific and medical communities around the world. No family ever pays for treatments not covered by insurance, and families without insurance are never asked to pay. St. Jude is financially supported by ALSAC, it's a fundraising organization, through events such as Martial Arts for St. Jude.

If you are interested in participating or making a donation, please call Yessenia Torres, at 973-450-4200.

For more information on St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, visit www.stjude.org.

K of C hosting breakfast

On Sunday February 4, from 7 a.m. to noon, the Knights of Columbus Post #835 will be hosting an all-you-can-eat breakfast of eggs, home fries, Taylor ham, bacon, pancakes, French toast,

coffee and tea for \$5 (children under 10 \$3). The event will be held at the K of C hall, 98 Bridge Street.

Call 973-759-9656 for more information.

Master plan changes may come to council soon

BY RICHARD DICKON
of Belleville Times

Changes to the Master Plan are moving forward that are designed to make the township more friendly to developers while remaining true to keeping the character of Belleville's neighborhoods from being damaged, according to officials.

The Planning Board put forth a number of zoning changes, and a planning expert, John Madden, was hired in 2005 to examine the changes and give his input, according to Township Manager Victor Canning.

"Except for some small changes, this is basically what the planning board wanted, ironically," Canning said.

So the recommended changes will now likely come to the council.

"Ultimately, the mayor and council will decide," he said.

The changes include rezoning the acreage next to Clara Maass Medical Center, according to long-time planning board member Al Schmitt.

He said the medical center's surrounding buildings are probably the township's biggest asset for ratables, even though the hospital is non-profit. The board proposes a development zone that can provide another medical office building.

Schmitt said Clara Maass officials have said such a building could be easily filled, but they can't

afford to build it themselves, so an outside developer would be sought.

He said that all planning board members are concerned with hospital closings, but since Clara Maass's leading competitor, Mountinside Hospital, is switching to for-profit, indigent patients will need to have Clara Maass continue to operate.

A maximum of nine acres of the entire property would be zoned for residential development, with three acres set aside for public use. The public use was to be for a new school for Silver Lake, but voters rejected a \$55 million school referendum in December 2005, more than \$20 million of which was to build a new School 4.

The comprehensive planning board plan also would rezone the former ice factory property at the north end of Washington Avenue and property at the south end of Washington both for mixed use, with some retail, commercial and residential properties allowed, Schmitt said.

Canning said the changes, for the most part, are positive.

"I think they're good overall for the health of Belleville," he said.

Second Ward Councilman Steve Rovell has some questions about the zoning changes, however.

While he said, "I agree some of the changes in the ordinance are long overdue and should be good for Belleville," there are a couple of areas in the ordinance that need

clarification.

One of them has to do with Washington Avenue, Rovell said. He said resident Vincent Frantantoni asked the council why it is changing the zoning in a specific area where it just so happens an application is in front of the Zoning Board for 10 variances.

"Several residents have asked me the same question as Mr. Frantantoni," Rovell said. "I still haven't heard the answer. Why don't we extend this specific zoning change to Overlook Avenue? Perhaps, Mr. Frantantoni is right, this could be construed as spot zoning."

Rovell said he is not a zoning expert, but he said he does know that based on the high probability of the Lowe's project coming to fruition, Belleville does not need to give up control of this area of the township to spur development.

"Residents are calling me up asking, why if this ordinance is so good for the township, was it not included on the public agenda," Rovell said. "Why was it introduced at the last minute under new business? Communication exists on many levels. Actions sometimes create nonverbal communication, which lead to misperceptions, images and impressions. The way this ordinance was introduced could give people the wrong impression."

Still, he said he believes the right decisions will be made.

"I believe, in my heart, that I will act in the best interest of our com-

munity," Rovell said. "I also have to believe that most of our council feels the same way. Perhaps, we need to communicate a little better."

One major change that should be passed by the council is the co-ordination ordinance, which requires a developer to pay a certain fee for putting up housing units or building a commercial or retail business in the township.

Canning said that with the Centex project, which included the construction of 262 units at the former Soho property near Belleville and Franklin avenues, "We got virtually nothing."

He said the developers gave the township approximately \$600,000, which went for repairs and upgrades of Municipal Stadium.

If Centex had given \$80,000 for each of the units built to satisfy the Coalition for Affordable Housing (COAH), which would have been approximately one out of every eight units, Canning said the township would have received several million dollars.

That money could have been used to fund the senior citizen housing proposed for Mill Street, behind the senior citizens building. The township has re-applied for federal funding for 70 units at the site.

For the upcoming Lowe's

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Budget problems cloud union negotiations

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2007 BELLEVILLE TIMES

BY RICHARD DICKON
of Belleville Times

Union negotiations with police, fire and township employees have more or less stalled while town officials deal with municipal budget concerns, according to Township Manager Victor Canning.

The police and fire unions, along with the Belleville Municipal Employees Association (BMEA) all have contracts that are expiring this year, Canning said.

Meanwhile, he said, "The budget picture got worse and worse" the more that he and the council have looked at the numbers.

Canning said it was not fair for a local newspaper to admonish

Mayor Raymond Kimble to keep costs under control considering the circumstances.

He said the state Legislature's attempts to bring property taxes under control was sabotaged by officials in Hudson County.

"The point is to keep costs under control, but there are many things we have no control over," Canning said.

The percentage of state pension costs that the municipalities have to absorb has risen, from 1.3 percent to 2.5 percent. "We have to make up all of the extra money," Canning said.

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Cub Scout Pack 350, based at Fewsmith Presbyterian Church, has been very active in the community the last few months. In October they created Halloween decorations for the First Cerebral Palsy School in Belleville. In November they had a food drive collecting over 300 items which were donated to the Bethany food pantry. Also they made thank you cards for veterans, presenting them at the Veterans Day Parade. In December they created holiday goody bags which were given to the Stevens Mission by way of Clara Maas and they participated in the Marine Corps Toys for Tots campaign collecting over 35 toys. In January they joined the Belleville High School marching band in collecting items for our troops in Iraq. This past weekend they partnered with Starbucks and raised money for the Passaic Elks Cerebral Palsy HS in Clifton by performing skits and songs. Pack 350 is comprised of boys in the first through fifth grades. Anyone in interested in learning more about the pack please visit their Web site at <http://pack350scouts.org/>. Pictured is Pack 350 scouts and leaders with James Mcquire and members of Belleville HS marching band collecting items for troops in Iraq.

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Officials see a 'light at the end of the tunnel'

BY RICHARD DICKON
of Belleville Times

While officials have said they are much more optimistic about construction of a Lowe's Home Improvement Center beginning sooner in Belleville, Township Manager Victor Canning said trying to pin down an exact timetable is not a good idea, since so many variables are involved. He also said the main reason for officials' optimism is the planned construction

of a catch basin to stem flooding in the area.

County, state and local officials recently visited environmental officials in Trenton to speed up environmental approvals at the site.

State Sen. Ronald Rice, County Executive Joseph DiVincenzo and county Freeholder Ralph Caputo joined local officials, including Mayor Raymond Kimble and Fourth Ward Councilman John Notari in trying to speed up the process of securing approval of

stream encroachment issues. The proposed location of the Lowe's is at the former Walter Kidde site on Main Street.

Canning called the meeting, which included Lowe's officials, "very, very encouraging," but warned against projecting an actual starting date for the construction.

"We don't want to count our chickens before they're hatched," he said.

With the construction of a catch

basin and an emergency sewer system, the stream encroachment permit could take as little as 90 days. Still soil remediation could take a lit bit longer than has been projected by some officials.

"Let me state clearly, if it doesn't happen perfectly, you could be looking at six months," Canning said. He said he hoped it would be sooner, barring some catastrophe by the "technocrats."

Lowe's technical engineers are being asked to raise the ground

approximately one foot or more, and then would specify that the new height be kept through the work of township maintenance, so that it would function properly during a storm.

"There has never been a catch basin there before, so it has got to help," Canning said. "It would be a drastic improvement. It would probably alleviate most, if not all of the flooding problems, provided

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Loss of paramedic service in Belleville is still possible

BY DAVID HINRICHS
of Belleville Times

Time is running out before MONOC (Monmouth-Ocean Hospital Services Corporation) will make their decision to keep the Belleville paramedic unit operational. Officials from Belleville met with MONOC representatives on Jan. 18 to try and convince the corporation to remain in service.

The meeting was called to clarify any financial issues that Belleville officials were unclear on and to dis-

cuss any options available for the town and MONOC. "We are in discussion now but are not sure where things are going to go from here. They have indicated that they have sustained financial losses in the recent quarters and are being forced to shut down their services throughout the state of New Jersey," said Belleville Township Manager Victor Canning.

Officials at the meeting reported little progress and another meeting is scheduled to take place sometime in February to further discuss the

possibility of keeping the paramedic unit functional.

MONOC has offices located in several counties throughout the state and has been forced to take action similar to that in Belleville at other locations. "New Jersey is facing an emergency response crisis. Medicare billing regulations and outdated state laws have long strained MICU operations statewide. Over the past few years, MICU operations have sustained heavy financial losses as a result of these regulations and are left with no choice other than to reduce services or begin billing Medicare recipients directly," said Vince Robbins, President and CEO of MONOC in a press release.

This issue has stretched much farther than New Jersey and is becoming a concern all over the country. The Single Bill Rule, which was

passed in 1996, permitted only one bill to be sent to Medicare for services rendered to its patients 65 and older. This bill must be split between the Basic Life Support (BLS) units, which are local Fire, Police and EMT units, and the Advanced Life Support (ALS) units, such as MONOC, if both parties arrive on the scene and perform a transportation. The bill sent, which is capped at \$400, is then divided between the BLS and ALS units depending on the BLS fund request, which has no limitation and many times leaves the ALS unit with little money.

"This was a very, very tough choice to make. It is never an easy decision to pull one of our paramedic units but it simply had to be done. We are not getting enough money back to stay above water," said MONOC Vice President of

Operations Jeff Behm in a prior interview. "The main risk of closing down some of our units will be that a paramedic unit will not be as readily available as before. The response might be longer than it is today. It is a terrible thing that shouldn't be happening."

Although a possible shutdown of three MONOC units would lengthen the response time of some paramedic units in the state, no region will be uncovered and paramedic units will still be able to reach any home in New Jersey.

A decision on the fate of MONOC in Belleville has not received a timetable but the state Health Department has indicated that they would like to see the Belleville unit remain open to maintain adequate paramedic coverage in the area.

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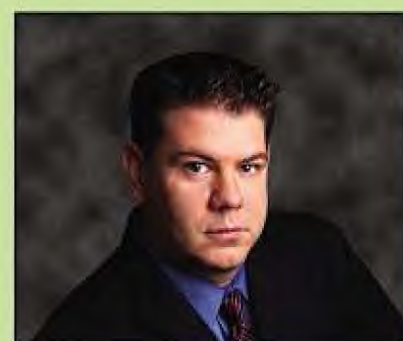
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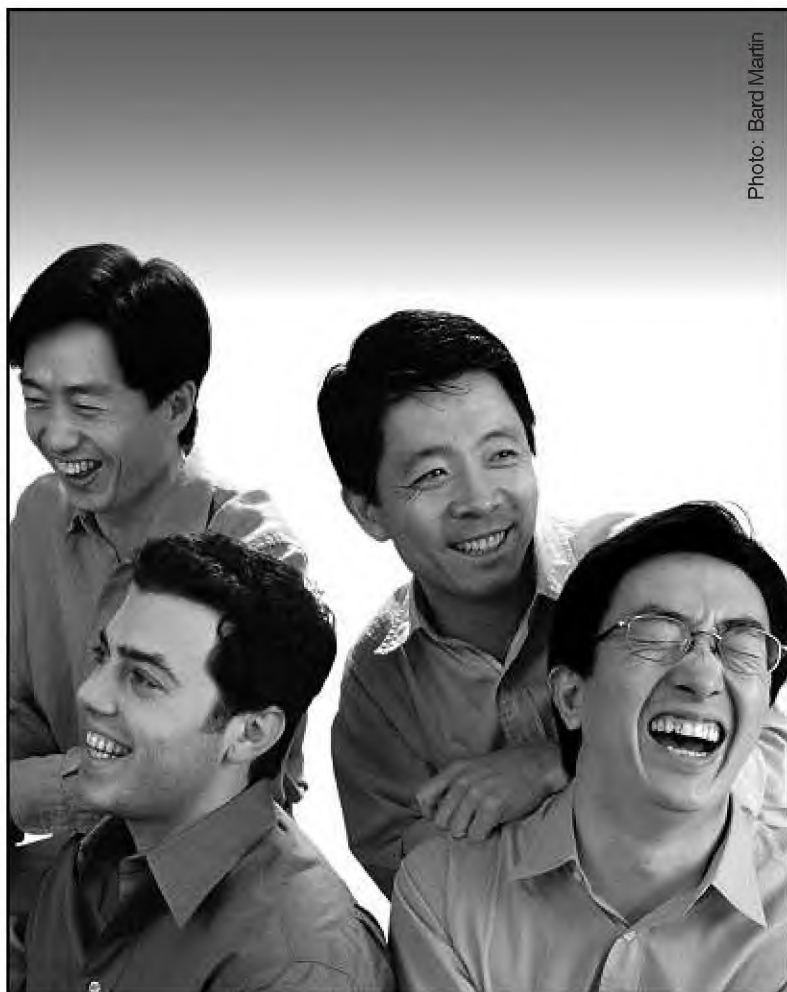


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Following opening night, "Measure for Measure" will run Feb. 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16 and 17. Curtain time is 8 p.m. (except for 2 p.m. matinees on Feb. 4 and 11). Ticket is \$12 each. Purchases may be made by calling 973-667-0374. Opening night is a benefit performance for the Franklin Reformed Church Pillar Fund.

The show is directed by Alex

Oleksij of Nutley, who also designed the set, lights and sound. The cast includes Scott Guzzo and Anne Kenny, both of Nutley, Peter Curley and Julie Jin, both of Maplewood, Fred Bernardi of Wyckoff, Richard Byquist of Montclair, Rick Hathaway of West Orange, Jack Hipkins of Rutherford, Kathryn Lombardy of Clifton, Tim Murphy of Morris Plains, Bill Schineller of Kinnelon, Clinton Scott of Hawthorne, Liz Sheber of Jersey City, Jim Simpson of Brooklyn, Yelena Sobolevska of Weehawken, Cindy Summers of Bogota, L. Dou-

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'I Hate Hamlet' auditions planned

Nutley Little Theatre has scheduled auditions at the NLT Barn on Sunday, Feb. 4 and Monday, Feb. 5 at 7:30 p.m. both nights for the Paul Rudnick comedy, "I Hate Hamlet."

Performances are scheduled for April 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 26, 27 and 28. (April 15 and 22 are matinees.)

Additional dates may be added within this range.

Directed by Ron Mulligan of Bloomfield, the cast requires three men in the age range of late 20s to

40s, and three women: one in mid-to late 20s, another in her 30s or 40s and a third in her 70s.

The two main male characters will perform some stage fencing. Prior experience is a plus, but not required.

In "I Hate Hamlet," TV actor Andrew Ralby returns to New York to star as "Hamlet." Only one problem: Andrew hates "Hamlet" and he's in way over his head. Enter the ghost of John Barrymore, the ultimate tutor. Problem solved, right? You would think so...

"Fast-mouthed and funny" is how the Village Voice describes this comedy, one of Rudnick's most successful.

Nutley Little Theatre stages its productions at the NLT Barn, 47 Erie Place, Nutley, located off Brookfield Avenue (one block east of Franklin Avenue) in the heart of the Erie Place Historic District.

For directions, visit the Web site www.nutleylittletheatre.com.

— For information about this or other productions, call 973-667-0374.

Pat Wictor to headline at Hillside Café

The Hillside Café, a non-profit music venue in Nutley devoted to acoustic music, will feature Pat Wictor Saturday, Feb. 17 at 8 p.m. Doors open at 7:30 p.m.

The opening performer will be Kate Gaffney.

Pat Wictor

Steeped in American "roots" music, Pat is a contemporary songwriter and interpreter who draws on America's traditions of rural country, gospel and blues. Echoing Dave Carter and Bruce Cockburn, he has a penchant for symbolic and spiritual imagery. His intricate lap slide guitar picking reminds one of Kelly Joe Phelps. For more information, visit the Web site www.patwictor.com.

Kate Gaffney

Gaffney first made waves on the Philadelphia music circuit with her debut EP, *Highways*, released Jan. 28, 2005. The title track was the first of her songs picked up by WXPB. The song caught the attention of the programming staff at the station and led to the inclusion of the EP's lead track, "The River," in their "Philly Local" Right on Track CD released in February 2005 — an honor that coincided with the release of her own EP.

A classic rock child, Gaffney recalls rooting through her parents' "small but quality" collection of vinyl records. Gaffney has supported top national acts and branched out regionally and nationally with her touring, making stops all over the country. For more information, visit the Web site www.kategaffney.com.

The Hillside Café is located at 45 Hillside Crescent at the corner of Church and Prospect streets, in

the Franklin Reformed Church community room. Admission is \$7 for the Feb. 17 concert. Reservations are suggested for groups of four or more. Childcare is available by reservation, and the café is

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For information or reservations, call 973-616-0106 or visit the Web site www.hillsidecafe.com.

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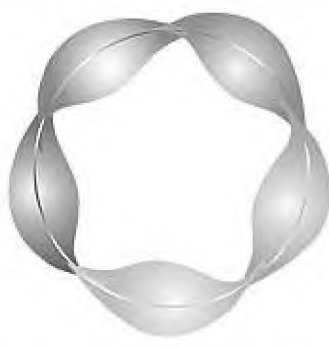
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Here are some rules to ensure the publication of your good news

When sending in pictures of your newborn for the "Arrivals" column, please make sure that the picture is clear, in focus and of the baby only - no siblings or other members of the family.

We cannot use photocopies. They don't print well. And you wouldn't be happy with the results.

And we may have to refuse to print pictures which are either too dark or too light. We try to be as liberal as we can but sometimes we just have to say "No."

We will happily accept jpeg photos and copy by e-mail of new arrivals, engagements, weddings, anniversaries, etc. Please send both pix and copy to maguire@northjersey.com. It only delays things if you send your good news to the paper itself or to the general editor. He just has to send it on to the proper person.

Also make sure your complete address is included if you want the picture returned. It usually takes a couple of weeks before we get the pictures back from production so please be patient.

Questions? Call Helen Maguire at 973-667-0645. If she's not at her desk, leave a message.

ENGAGEMENTS



Gayle S. Hausner, Michael Turi to wed

Arlene Hausner and Dr. and Mrs. Richard Hausner of Wayne announce the engagement of their daughter, Gayle Sondra, to Michael Gerard Turi of Bloomfield, son of Mary E. Turi of Nutley and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel G. Turi, Jr. of Ridgely Park.

The wedding is planned for

August 2008.

Miss Hausner, an alumna of the University of Maryland, earned a master's degree at William Paterson University. She is a teacher in Allendale.

Mr. Turi, a graduate of Essex County College, is a Clifton firefighter.



Maria Boscarino to marry Dean Berkovics

Santo and Giuseppina Boscarino of Totowa announce the engagement of their daughter, Maria, to Dean Berkovics, son of George and Sharon Berkovics of Belleville.

Miss Boscarino, an alumna of Passaic Valley Regional High School and Fairleigh Dickinson

University, is a special education aide and a medical office receptionist.

Mr. Berkovics, a graduate of Belleville High School, is a food service specialist in the United States Coast Guard.

An August 2008 wedding is planned.



Jodi Sax engaged to Daniel Carnicella

Edwin and Barbara Sax of Livingston announce the engagement of their daughter, Jodi Melissa, to Daniel Carnicella, son of Vincent and Maria Carnicella of Nutley.

Miss Sax, an alumna of Livingston High School and Rowan University, Glassboro, is a first

grade teacher in New Providence.

Mr. Carnicella, a graduate of Nutley High School and Kean University, Union, is owner and principal of DC Financial Group, Nutley.

The wedding is planned for July 18, 2008.



OPERATION SMILE

Residents gave a second look as they saw two white Clydesdale horses pulling a 10 passenger carriage down Franklin Avenue recently. Through the sponsorship of COLDWELL BANKER Franklin Realty, Santa (Carl Lordi) and his elves brought a smile to children and parents alike. Hot cocoa, cider and homemade soup was distributed to guests at the real estate office. "The horses are just so beautiful" said Janet DePalma, broker owner of COLDWELL BANKER Franklin Realty. "My niece, Gianna Rose, loves horses, so they were my Christmas gift to her. She even brought treats for them!" Toys were collected and donations were gathered from generous businesses and residents with proceeds going to Operation Smile. This organization enables children with cleft palates and cleft lips to have a much needed operation. For more information about Operation Smile, contact Coldwell Banker Franklin Realty at 973 235-1312.



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WHICH IS THE REAL MCCOY?

Come to the 61st annual Glen Ridge Antiques Show & Sale and find out! The show will be held Thursday, Feb. 1 (tonight), Friday, Feb. 2 and Saturday, Feb. 3 at Glen Ridge Congregational Church, 195 Ridgewood Ave., Glen Ridge.

Beware, grafitti 'artists'; you're not safe in Belleville.

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BELLEVILLE TIMES THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2007



LIFE IN SILVER LAKE
CHARLES BURKE

Celebration time is here! We have two great people whose birthday falls on Jan. 23. The first one on deck is Det. Gary Souss who hit the 42nd mark and the other is Ronnie Smith who made the big 10. Let's get to Mr. Souss first. Most of you all know that he considers my wife his "second mom" and we treat him like our son. What can I say about him

other than he is a good detective, cares about his job and gives it his all.

Our next birthday boy is the son of one of my bestest friends, Barbara Lozaw. What a great kid he is, cute, great reddish hair and deep beautiful brown eyes with a personality to match. How lucky this young man is. His mom treated his classmates to a bowling party at Brunswick Lanes and the theme of the party was football, his favorite sport. The menu: pizza, cake and some games. Our Ronnie attends School #4 and is in the fourth grade and his teacher is Mrs. Monahan. Silver Lake wishes the two of you the happiest, healthiest birthday ever.

Hey, all you graffiti artists out there. Take heed and get out of Silver Lake. Why? Because our masked crusader, Batman or Bobby Kane as is his real name, along with his able partner, Mike DeLuca are on the beat. Last week, in the wee, wee hours of the morning, Batman and partner witnessed two grafitti artists (wait, don't give them credit as an artist) armed with many cans of spray paint, damaging properties in Silver Lake. So to speak, they got nabbed with the goods. How lucky we Silverlakers are that we have good police squads watching over us. We have to show these perpetrators that we are not taking this lightly. One resident

suggested that when we catch these grafitti bandits, we give them a dose of their own medicine by possibly spray painting them. It really sounds like a good idea.

Residents, please try to be the eyes and ears of the neighborhood. If you see something that looks suspicious, please, please call the police. That is what they are there for.

It is hard when they strike while we are sleeping, but if you happen to get up during the late hours, take a peek outside and if you see something, call.

So hip, hip, hooray to our heroes, Batman and Mike, for being there when we need them.

Keep up the good work.

Wait. Does everyone remember our Robin? Well it seems he was one of the detectives who nabbed the criminals who burglarized a liquor store on Union Avenue. Our Robin is now a detective and his name is James Sochaski. The other detective who was instrumental in capturing these criminals was John McAloon.

Boy, do we have great policemen in this town. And to all of you, Silver Lake is sending out a 20 gun salute in your honor. And to Chief Joseph Rotonda, we thank you for leading these men.

And remember, we love Silver Lake.

UNION

FROM PAGE 6

with calculating other costs was wrong when it came to 67 percent of municipalities, and Belleville was of course one of those, causing an increase in insurance costs.

"We went up 18.2 percent," Canning said. "That means we're up a million plus in those two alone."

For those reasons and more, the township has to be reasonable in dealing with the unions. In the case of the police, the union can choose binding arbitration. In binding arbitration, the arbitrator must choose either the higher salary increase number put forth by police or the lower number supplied by the township. There is no room for compromise at that stage.

Another factor slowing the negotiation process is the fact that officials will not have town revenue totals until later in February, Canning said.

"We can't control what is set by outside forces," he said. "We've got to take a step back before we tell the unions what we can afford. To do so before February or early March would be irresponsible."

He said even by taking a tough line, the township will still be faced with increases like 8.2 percent for dental/vision coverage for employees.

Another concern is the change in property tax distribution brought about by the ongoing revaluation of all township properties.

"We don't even know what the reval will do," Canning said.

Right now, he said, county taxes are supposed to rise by four-plus percent. Last year, Canning said, there was a 77-point tax point increase spread fairly evenly between the county and the Belleville Board of Education.

"We have serious problems already, with the claims we have to pay out on our insurance," Canning said of the township's insurance woes. "They are out of control, and at the end of the day, you still have to pay."

Anthony Weiners, the execu-

tive vice president for the state PBA and a former Belleville police officer, spoke for the local police union. He said, "We've been in negotiations. We're still sitting at the table. We're having a good dialogue. As with any negotiation, only if we have a settlement or reach an impasse will we release a statement."

Canning said township officials met with union officials the day

after Christmas last year.

"We put some interesting things on the table that I'm not at liberty to talk about," he said.

Still, the process has a long way to go, Canning said.

Joseph Pizzi, head of the local FMBA, the firefighter's union, and Billy Gilbert, who heads the Belleville Municipal Employees Association, were both unavailable for comment.

PLAN

FROM PAGE 5

Home Improvement Store coming to Main Street, the co-obligation will be a negotiated payment for every 20,000 square feet of space

the development uses, Canning said.

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ATLANTIC CITY

By Ellen Burke Rawls



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The show features over 700 new 2007 models of motor and express yachts, sport fisherman, cruisers and sport boats, as well as the latest in nautical electronics, gear and accessories. In addition to the fabulous new boats, the Marine Marketplace - virtually a "show within a show" - features vendor demonstrations of the latest advances in marine-related services including navigational devices, engines and nautical gifts.

The video game generation will find a number of fun features including: the Power Boat Docking Challenge where attendees test their remote control boat docking skills using a four foot Diesel Sounding Sport Fisherman remote control boat in a custom pool measuring 10 feet by 20 feet complete with channel markers and model marina. Participants will compete against the clock as they maneuver their boat to the slip. A final score will be calculated combining total elapsed time and penalty points for coming in contact with motion sensor-armed piers. The IGX Adrenaline Jam Tour - offers super-charged action from PlayStation®2, Xbox 360T and Nintendo Gamecube. Electronic gamers can play for FREE on up to 17 different game stations that provide a variety of interactive water sport challenges for visitors of all ages.

Show hours are Wednesday and Thursday 1 to 9 p.m.; Friday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; and Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets are \$15 adults, \$8 Youth 13-15; and 12 and under free when accompanied by an adult. Two-day tickets are available for \$25. www.acboatshow.com or phone 212-984-7000

Harrah's Atlantic City welcomes The Rat Pack is Back to for a three-week run at the Concert Venue opening Thursday, February 1 through February 21. The nostalgic tribute features some amazing talents to portray the revered showbiz legends Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Joey Bishop and Sammy Davis Jr. with all swagger and attitude of the originals.

They'll perform classics including "Amore," "Fly Me to the Moon," and "Luck Be a Lady," and their comedic antics promise a glimpse of the legendary Rat Pack during their '70s Las Vegas rampage.

Show times at Harrah's are Tuesday through Thursday at 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday at 9 p.m., and Sunday at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$25.

Latest culinary news at Resorts is the opening of Gallagher's Burger Bar, an off shoot of the hugely popular venerable Gallagher's Steakhouse across the hall on the property's dining level. Burger Bar's use of Gallagher's own dry-aged beef offers a unique take on bar food in a comfortable, stylish setting.

Sliders (mini burgers) go upscale when they're made of Wagyu beef and perched on toasted brioche. Of course, there is a selection of burgers at the Burger Bar, from a house-ground dry-aged sirloin burger to the luxe and flavorful Wagyu Kobe burger. All burgers are wood-fired for maximum flavor. Non-beef specialties include a selection of fresh salads with chicken or shrimp and Chesapeake jumbo lump crab cake sandwich. A really special treat is the fresh Maine lobster burger. One of the most elegant sites for upscale casual dining along the Boardwalk! The Burger Bar is open 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Thursdays; 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday and Sunday; and Saturdays, Noon to 11 p.m.

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Kelly Nash is Municipal Clerk. Her number is 973-450-3310 or fax 973-759-1631. Victor Canning is township manager. His number is 973-450-3322 or fax 973-759-8022.

BHS WRESTLING

Gearing up for counties

Bucs prep for ECT this weekend with four-straight wins

BY MIKE LAMBERTI
for Belleville Times

The Belleville wrestling team posted four victories last week in dual matches, including league wins against St. Joseph (Mont.) and Paramus Catholic.

Joe Nisivoccia's team took a 9-5 mark into a match with yesterday's match with Teaneck. This weekend, Belleville will compete in the Essex County Tournament, beginning tomorrow night with the preliminaries and pre-quarter finals at West Orange High. On Saturday, the tournament concludes with the quarterfinals, semifinals and championship bouts. The title bouts should begin around 3:30 p.m. at West Orange.

Next Wednesday, the Bucs will face Glen Ridge and Passaic, at Belleville, in a 5 p.m. tri match which will probably be the final regular season matches of the 2006-2007 campaign.

"I thought we showed signs of wrestling well," Nisivoccia said. "But what I'm trying to show these kids is they have to rise to the occasion in every match. Perfection in this sport is the key to success. The biggest part of the season is coming up (in February) and now is the time we have to start peaking."

The Bucs continue to get stellar performances from the big three of Robert Cozzarelli (23-0), James Soprano (22-0) and Filiberto

Cozzarelli, Soprano and Colon never let up in practice and it's reflected in the matches. They should all be top seeds for this weekend's county tournament."

Joe Nisivoccia
Belleville wrestling team coach

Colon (22-1). In addition, Matt DeFrance continues to wrestle well, taking a 16-5 mark into this week's action.

"I look at the way DeFrance continues to improve with each match and I feel he'll be in position to make a good run in the districts, and beyond," Nisivoccia said. "He was our most improved wrestler last year and the way he's working this year, he could be our most improved wrestler again."

"Cozzarelli, Soprano and Colon never let up in practice and it's reflected in the matches. They should all be top seeds for this weekend's county tournament."

Cozzarelli's 11-second pin highlighted Belleville's 39-33 win over a good St. Joseph team last week. It was the senior's 100th career victory and made Coz-

zarelli just the seventh wrestler in Belleville High history to reach the milestone. Nick Mattia was the last wrestler from Belleville to reach 100 victories, back in 2004.

"It's a tremendous accomplishment," Nisivoccia said of Cozzarelli's win. "It's a sign of consistency and outstanding performances to reach 100 wins. I was very happy for him. He deserves the recognition that goes with 100." (There is more on Cozzarelli's win in this week's issue).

Belleville downed Paramus Catholic, 54-21 before losing a 38-23 contest to Bloomfield last Saturday. Paramus Catholic is now coached by Mike Massenzio, a two-time state champion at St. Joseph who is in his first year at P.C.

"He's doing a nice job in getting that program back on track," Nisivoccia, himself a former state champion in high school, said of Massenzio. "As for Bloomfield, I thought we won the matches we were supposed to win, but didn't have enough to beat a very good team."

After falling to Bloomfield, the Bucs came back later in the day to down Montclair Kimberley Academy, 54-29 and Newark Central, 63-18.

Nisivoccia noted the good efforts of James Murgueytio at 103 pounds and Angel Cuevas, who has settled well into the 145-pound class.

BHS WRESTLING

Cozzarelli puts name in books with 100th career win

BY MIKE LAMBERTI
for Belleville Times

Having grown up following Belleville High School wrestling, Robert Cozzarelli always appreciated the history attached to one of the school's most successful athletic programs.

So, when Cozzarelli, a senior 152 pounder and team captain, pinned his Paramus Catholic opponent in 11 seconds last week to record his 100th career win, he was quick to remember the seven other Belleville wrestlers who reached the century mark before him.

Cozzarelli became the first Belleville wrestler since Nick Mattia in 2004 and the eighth in school history to reach 100.

The other six are 1988 state champion Armondo Nardone, 1990 and 1991 state champ Emilio "Junior" Nardone, 1996 state champ Anthony Conte and stand-out state tournament grapplers Joe Cerreto, Mark D'Elia and Frank Zarro.

"When I look at some of the names of the wrestlers here who reached 100, it's pretty impressive," Cozzarelli said. "There are state champions on that list and wrestlers who made it to the state finals. I remember when I was a recreation wrestler and hearing how great those guys were. It's nice to have my name next to theirs, but what I really want is a chance to

win that state championship."

Cozzarelli (23-0) will begin that quest in earnest this weekend when he attempts to win his second Essex County championship in three years. He captured the 135-pound title in 2005 and was later named the tournament's Outstanding Wrestler.

"The county tournament is really big," said Cozzarelli, who is 103-19 with 66 pins for his career heading into this weekend. "When I went into this season, I wanted to win the Minuteman Tournament, get back my county championship and then make a serious run to the states. So far, I got the Minuteman and I feel like I have a good chance to win the county. This is the time of the year when it really counts."

Cozzarelli made the most of his 100th victory, even though the fall came quickly.

"I got him with a fireman's carry," Cozzarelli said. "I don't usually hit the move in a match, but I had the chance to end it quickly. It was the fastest pin I ever had."

An excellent student and Eagle Scout, Cozzarelli has college firmly in his sights.

"I'm hoping to major in physical therapy," Cozzarelli said. "I've been accepted at four schools, but I haven't made a final decision yet. Right now, my focus is on the next five weeks of wrestling, and hopefully finishing my career with a state championship (in Atlantic City)."

BHS BOYS BASKETBALL

Bucs stun Columbia, advance in ECT

BY MIKE LAMBERTI
for Belleville Times

DeShawn Eagle scored 25 points and hauled in 14 rebounds to lead the Belleville boys' basketball team to a stunning 50-47 upset of Columbia in a preliminary round Essex County Tournament game last Saturday in Maplewood.

The win propelled Belleville, the 25th seed, into a first round contest against ninth seeded Newark West Side this Saturday afternoon in Newark. Columbia, a county finalist last season before losing to Bloomfield Tech, was seeded eighth.

Belleville last won an ECT game in the preliminary round of the 1993 tournament. Its last victory in a first round game came in 1988 before the Bucs lost a somewhat controversial game in the quarterfinals to the eventual champion, Shabazz. Both the 1988 and 1993 teams were coached by Don Roll, who also

led Belleville to the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 3 title game in 1992.

Belleville, which improved to 3-11 on the season with the victory under first year coach Bill Maro, dominated the first half, leading 16-9 after one quarter and 29-19 at intermission. Columbia, which came into the game with a very impressive 11-2 mark, rallied back in the third quarter behind the scoring of Jameel Grace and Yvon Raymond to tie the contest at 39 heading into the final eight minutes.

The Bucs showed its fortitude on the road, however, playing tenacious defense in the last quarter in holding Columbia to just eight points. The Bucs' difficult schedule this season might have played a part in the big victory as well.

Heading into last Saturday's game, Belleville had lost three games to Top 20 teams and dropped five other games by five points, or less.

Kaseem Harris, a junior point guard, scored 16 points for Belleville while Marlou Zanolis, a talented junior forward, scored seven. Marcus Jones closed out the scoring with two points. Eagle, a 6'6" junior forward, added three blocked shots to his impressive resume.

Maro, who replaced Duane Eason as coach after last season, had stressed discipline throughout the season. He noted that earlier losses, in which the team missed crucial free throws down the stretch of games, could be turned around with a stronger mental approach, and apparently, the team found that resolve in a very difficult place to play, against an experienced and rugged opponent.

Now, the Bucs hope to add to that Cinderella story as it plays in the county field of 16 for the first time in 14 years against a strong Newark West Side team which took a 10-5 mark into this week's action.

BHS BOYS BOWLING

Bucs battling for league crown

BY MIKE LAMBERTI
for Belleville Times

The Belleville boys bowling team split two matches last week, blanking Paramus, 7-0 and falling to Nutley by the same count.

Mike Early's team took a 61-37 record into a match with Bloomfield on Tuesday. This afternoon, the Bucs take on Ridgewood, and tomorrow, the team faces Bergen Tech of Hackensack. Both of those matches will be played at Bowler City in Hackensack. Next Tuesday, the regular season concludes with position play, also at Bowler City. On Feb. 10, the boys will compete at the state sectionals, in West Orange.

Belleville got a good overall effort in defeating Paramus. Marquis Byrd rolled a 646 series, including games of 233 and 222. Joe Leardo had a high game of 203 while Jon Crespo (197) and Mike Baldonado (192) also had good games.

The Bucs weren't as consistent against Nutley, losing 7-0 and falling behind in the race for the NNJL crown.

"We're about 10 points behind, with a week left in the season," Early said. "It's going to be an uphill struggle to catch Nutley, but we've still got a chance."

Byrd rolled Belleville's high game with a 221.

The girls team was led by E.J. Nicolas and Angelica Sliwinski, who had games of 151 and 131 respectively.

The girls will bowl against Ridgewood today, and will compete in the sectional championships this weekend in West Orange.

"The girls sectionals are a week earlier than the boys," Early said. "The sectionals are both team and individual, so if a player has a good tournament, that player will move on to the group championships. The team can also advance, if they finish in the top grouping."

10U softball league

The North Jersey Angels girls fast-pitch softball team is looking for dedicated 10u players for the 2007 tournament season. For tryouts and general information, please contact Gary Tullo at 973-980-3503.

Essex County Babe Ruth League

Essex County will have a Senior Babe Ruth League in April 2007. The league will offer organized baseball for 16-18 year olds in Essex County and will play its games at Wright's Field in Bloomfield.

All registered players will be drafted on to teams and play a 14-game schedule. Games will be played in the late afternoon and evening on Saturday and all day on Sunday. The weekend schedule offers the high school student with an afternoon job the opportunity to play organized baseball as well as the high school player additional playing time.

Registration will be held on Friday, February 9th from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. and February 10th 9:00

a.m.- 12:00 p.m. at the Bloomfield Civic Center located at 84 Broad St. An original birth certificate and three proofs of residency will be required. The cost \$150.00 per player with a \$240.00 maximum for families with two or more players.

Anyone with questions or anyone interested in coaching or managing should contact Anthony Todaro at 973-748-0599.

Senior softball

North Jersey Senior Softball is preparing for the 2007 season and is looking for additional players to add to its 29 teams.

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Softball players wanted

The North Jersey Angels girls fast-pitch softball team is looking for dedicated 10u players for the 2007 tournament season. For tryouts and general information, please contact Gary Tullo at 973-239-0858 or email hr44gt@aol.com.

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OBITUARIES

Elizabeth Molinare

A funeral service was held for Elizabeth (Gow) Molinare, 94, Jan. 27 in S.W. Brown & Son Funeral Home, Nutley.

Mrs. Molinare died on Jan. 24. Born in Paterson, Mrs. Molinare moved to Dundee, Scotland, in

1914. She returned to Clifton in 1929 and moved to Nutley in 1935.

She was a blood bank recruiter at Clara Maass Medical Center for 20 years.

She is survived by her daughter, Elizabeth A. Menzies; her grandchildren, Nicholas and Matthew

Agnoli and her great-grandchild, Joseph Matthew.

Patricia Mulligan

A funeral service was held for Patricia Mulligan (nee Mc Whirr), 63, of Clifton Jan. 23 in S.W.

Brown and Son Funeral Home, Nutley.

Mrs. Mulligan died on Jan. 21, in Mountainside Hospital, Glen Ridge.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Mulligan lived in Belleville before moving to Clifton four years ago.

She is survived by her husband,

Richard J. Mulligan; her daughters, Jill Barone and her husband, Paul, Lisa Girovasi and her husband, Jason, and Renee Di Meo and her husband, Anthony; her sisters, Noreen Gober, Kathy Springer and Karen, and her grandchildren, Megan and Adam Girovasi and Ashley-Lyn and Tyler Barone.



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BY TERESA EDMOND
of Belleville Times

The town council was going to present a \$2,399,150.17 town budget Feb. 8. The 1965 budget was \$69,256.78 higher than the 1964 budget of \$2,329,893.39. According to town manager John R. Burnett, the budget really was going to increase \$11,921.56 through taxation because the anticipated revenues for 1965 also rose \$57,335.22. The budget's increase indicated a likely four-cent increase for every \$100 in assessed evaluation. Add that to the 20-point increase in the local school budget and the estimated nine-point increase in the county budget, the local tax rate was going to increase 33 points in assessed evaluation. The township's 1965 tax rate was going to rise from \$3.74 per \$100 to \$4.07 per \$100.

The majority of the town council voted Feb. 1 night to grant township police officers and firefighters \$450 salary raises over the subsequent three years. Councilman Robert Westpy introduced the proposal at a special Feb. 1 council budget work session. Mayor Nuncio R. Rico seconded the proposal and councilman Ralph Casale voted third. Councilman William H. Cullen voted against the measure because the raise wasn't sufficient, and councilman James R. Golden opposed it because he believed all longevity increment increases

should be cut from the budget in 1965. Burnett said the \$450 package increase was going to add \$10,500 to the 1965 budget and \$21,000 to the 1966 and 1967 budgets.

Recreation director Robert Cook said Feb. 3 that he was speaking to boys aged between 14 and 17 years old to see if there was sufficient interest in opening the junior high school gymnasium on one to two nights a week and Saturdays. If there was enough interest, Cook said he'd set up gym hours on Saturdays from 1 to 5 p.m. If Saturdays went well, he'd open the gym one or two nights per week.

Cook began looking into the necessity of a Saturday program for adolescent boys after he talked with Belleville teenager Daniel Gabriel. At the most recent council meeting, Gabriel said that because the township imposed a curfew limiting the boys' loitering in the streets, he requested they should get more recreational activities. Gabriel told Cook and the council that the Friendly House program was fine, but the kids living around the junior high school didn't use the facility because it was too far from their homes.

Marching Mothers raised \$2,695 during the one-hour, one-night house-to-house Belleville march for the 27th anniversary March of Dimes on Jan. 27, 1965. This total was \$109 higher than

last year's total of \$2,586, according to Mothers March Belleville Chairman Mrs. Arthur J. Mooney. She showed her gratitude for the residents' kindness, her volunteers' efforts and the Times' support. Harry J. Sullivan, Belleville's general chairman, praised Mooney for her and her associates' lengthy preparation.

Belleville resident Albert Guglicelli, candidate for Essex County Registrar on the Regular Democrats for Economy in Government, told a meeting of 50 attendees that he attributed Newark and the adjacent region becoming "firsts" in many categories to "Bossism." Those firsts included adolescent narcotics addiction, high taxes, disregard for the "little people" and scarce school facilities. Guglicelli also asked his workers to tell every Essex County voter about "The Boss's" obvious indifference for the voter and to back up the regular Democrats for Economy in Government in an endeavor to substitute the "Boss-controlled" candidates with limitless voter representation.

Board of education members Richard Drake and John DiRienzo Feb. 3 released statements that advocated Agnes J. (Nancy) McCarthy's candidacy for the board of education in the Feb. 9 election. DiRienzo said voters should think about the novel perspective McCarthy would bring to the board and acknowledge her

dedicated work to improve Belleville's education. Drake said he wanted to support McCarthy's campaign because she illustrated her "unique" credentials for board membership, strong interest and diligence. Drake mentioned he was bothered by the fact that those who ran for board membership didn't have the highest qualifications, whereas those who were actually eligible ran against their own will.

The planning board suggested to the town council that upcoming zoning requirements regarding

multi-family residence construction must incorporate a 20-foot setback from the front property line, restriction of vehicular parking in the front of the building and outlaw basement living units. The planning board met Jan. 28 in town hall with Fred Burlazzi presiding and discussed the many proposals given to it from the town council for consideration. Previously the board of adjustments asked the town council for a series of amendments to the zoning laws pertaining to apartments.

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For the answer to this week's puzzle, turn to the classified section.

The United States Senators representing Belleville in Washington are Robert Menendez, (201) 558-0800, and Frank Lautenberg, (973) 639-8700. Congressman Bill Pascrell may be reached at (973) 523-5152. State Senator Ronald Rice is at (973) 371-5665. State Assemblyman Craig Stanley is at (973) 399-1000. The other Assembly seat is currently vacant.

Council members may be reached by calling (973) 450-3302. Their voicemail is (973) 450-3345.

BY RICHARD DICKON
of Belleville Times

Enacted into law in 1993, the Safe and Secure Communities Program is designed to provide municipalities with funding to add law enforcement personnel vital to effective police operations and other crime related strategies as warranted by the needs of the community, according to a statement by state officials. The program allows

Nutley Police Chief John Holland said that while the program has been around for a number of years, the funding does not go as far as it used to go.

That grant came with one stipulation, he said.

"I don't think it has changed in years," Holland said. "It's a formality. It's not elaborate."

Asked why the state continues the program without increasing the amount of the grant, Rotonda said, "The state looks good giving some money, but they're not killing themselves. Every year they say it might be eliminated, but it never is."

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Still, he said, some contaminated soil still has to be moved off-site from the days when fire extinguishers were manufactured at the site and left behind pollutants.

Notari said the paperwork for the DEP was "completed and sent back in one week."

"This is what happens when you stay on top of things," Notari said. "Victor Canning did an excellent job of leading us on this. It wouldn't be fair to give an actual starting date, but it looks like it will happen much sooner."

He said the development

would increase tax revenues and begin to revive an area that has been neglected for many years.

"I can see a light at the end of the tunnel," Notari said.

As for Planning Board approval of the site plan, longtime planning board member Al Schmitt said the board has a traffic study that will formally be delivered in a month or two.

"I have questions about what the findings mean, and what we have to do to compensate for traffic problems in the future," Schmitt said.

DiVincenzo has said he hoped that "by summer, the township will have a shovel in the ground," if everyone does what they say they will do, and the development will bring ratables and jobs.

He said he spoke to state Department of Environmental Protection Commissioner Lisa Jackson, with whom the county has had a good relationship for the last four or five years.

Canning said he had nothing but positive things to say about Jackson as well.

Caputo said he had gone to the site with Belleville Township Engineer Thomas Herits and a representative of Lowe's, and found that "the plan was never really acted upon." He said the DEP was there and now, it looks very promising. He said Belleville would lose a very valuable asset if the project is not done.

First Ward Councilwoman Marie Strumolo Burke, along with Notari, had pushed strongly

to get high ranking officials involved in speeding up the process.

The Township Council has continued to support the plans.

A site plan approval predicated on the developers' receiving clearance from the state Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) was granted at a special meeting held in May of 2006.

Planning Board Chairman Sebastian "Sammy" Papa said previously that there were a couple of small variances approved, and the Lowe's people were told that, when and if the environmental questions are resolved, to come back and the board will

process the application.

Papa called the Lowe's people "highly professional" and said the preliminary site plan approval was unanimous.

Traffic was a big question at the hearing, Papa said, and as a result the planning board will hire its own traffic engineer, and compare that engineer's report to that of the developers.

Lowe's will pay for the planning board's engineer, he said.

Papa said traffic is a big concern, especially around Little and Main streets, where motorists drive onto Route 21, and that is what spurred the request for a second traffic study.



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KNIGHT MUSIC

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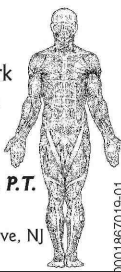
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The 61st annual Glen Ridge Antiques Show & Sale, at Glen Ridge Congregational Church, 195 Ridgewood Ave. at Clark St., Glen Ridge. Opens Thursday, Feb. 1 at 6:30 p.m. (tonight) for Preview Night. The show continues Friday, Feb. 2 from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday, Feb. 3 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Twenty-eight dealers from three states are exhibiting formal and country furniture and accessories, antiquarian books, botanical prints, Victorian whites, Orientalia, porcelains, silver, art pottery, etc. Appraisals on portable items at \$3 per item by John Clark Feb. 3 from 12 noon to 4 p.m. Delicious church-cooked meals, afternoon tea room and Pantry Corner bake sale. On-street parking. Car pool with friends to save on parking space. Admission \$10 for Thursday's preview; \$7 (\$5 with card/ad & for seniors) on Friday and Saturday. All visitors receive multiple visits on one ticket, when registered at admissions desk. For dinner reservations on Thursday and Friday, call 973-743-5596.

Business meeting, sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary to Stuart E. Edgar Post 493 Veterans of Foreign Wars, 271 Washington Ave., Nutley, on Tuesday, Feb. 13. Membership is open. Write to: Stuart E. Edgar Post 493 Auxiliary, 136 Centre St., Nutley, NJ 07110. The Auxiliary sponsors many important programs benefiting veterans and their families.

Recognition and Awards

Banquet, at the Forest Hill Field Club, 9 Belleville Ave., Bloomfield, on Friday, March 2 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for cocktail party, and from 7:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. for dinner, dancing and prizes. \$60 payment due Feb. 12, \$65 afterwards. RSVP by Friday, Feb. 23. For more information, call the Chamber of Commerce office at 748-2000.

Belleville High School Class of 1982, 25th reunion at the Landmark in East Rutherford on Friday, Nov. 23. For more information visit the Web site www.bhsreunion.booch.net or e-mail reunioncommuttee@booch.net. Also call Lori Racioppi at 201-206-2078.

CPR class, sponsored by the owners of Curves for Women, Debbie Deraney and Janet Greco, in association with the American Red Cross, at the Nutley office of the Montclair-Glen Ridge-Nutley American Red Cross chapter, 169 Chestnut St., Nutley, on Saturday, Feb. 10 from 12 noon to 3 p.m. February is Heart Month. What better time to learn a lifesaving skill from a Red Cross-certified instructor? For more information or to register, call 667-3818.

AARP tax assistance, for taxpayers with low- and middle-income, with special attention to those age 60 and older, at the Nutley Park and Recreation Building, 44 Park Ave., Nutley, Mondays Feb. 5 to April 16 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. No appointment is needed. Bring last year's forms. Closed Feb. 12 and Feb. 19. For more information, visit the Web site www.aarp.org/taxaide.

EVENTS AND FUNDRAISERS...

'Luck of the Irish' Trip, sponsored by the AARP Chapter #2051, at the Brownstone, Thursday, March 8. Dinner and dancing, with one hour of open bar and entertainment. Call Muriel at 759-8768.

Branson Show Extravaganza, sponsored by Hilda Watessing Seniors of Bloomfield, in Branson, MO, from May 19 to 27. Price: \$775. Fourteen meals, including eight breakfasts and six dinners. Admission to six fabulous shows. For more information, call Hilda Roni at 973-743-5642.

Tricky Tray, sponsored by Friends of the Bloomfield/Bukowski Animal Shelter, at the Chandelier in Belleville Wednesday, March 14. Doors open at 6 p.m. Advance sale tickets \$45, including family-style dinner. For tickets and/or information call 732-350-7502 or e-mail fobas@comcast.net.

Open house, at the Angel Academy at St. Michael's in Lyndhurst for the 2007-08 school year, on Wednesday, Feb. 7 from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Registration for open house is required. Come visit and ask about Pre-K-3 and Pre-K-4 programs. Use the door on Page Avenue near Ridge Road. For more information, call 201-438-3809.

Blood Drive, hosted by Bloomfield Presbyterian Church on the Green, to be held in the church gym at 147 Broad St. (across from the Bloomfield High School) Sunday, Feb. 4 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. When coming to donate, know your social security number and bring a signed photo identification. During the lunch hour, a deacon will provide a free lunch to those who donate.

Trip to the Renault Winery in Atlantic City, sponsored by the Bloomfield Knights of Columbus Saturday, Feb. 24. The trip will take place on a chartered bus and leave the K of C Hall, 190 State St., at 9 a.m. Cost of trip is \$60, including all-you-can-eat lunch at the Renault Winery. Free wine tasting at lunch followed by winery tour. After lunch, the bus will depart for Showboat Hotel &

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Haircut fundraiser, sponsored by Sport-a-Cut Barber Shop, 148 Franklin Ave., Nutley, throughout February. Sport-a-Cut will donate 10 percent of each student's haircut to the Nutley school district. Fundraiser flyers are available through the schools; students must bring their flyers with them so Sport-a-Cut can keep track of each haircut. For more information, call Maria Afonso at 542-1102.

Programs sponsored by the AARP Chapter #2051, Belleville: March 7, "The Humdingers" singing group. Also a trip to Platzbrauhaus in Pomona, N.Y. on Tuesday, May 22 for a "Seafood Festival." Cost of trip is \$65. Call Muriel at 973-759-8768. Wednesday, Feb. 7 program: "Belleville Then and Now" by Mayor Raymond Kimble.

Mobile office of Congressman Bill Pascrell, Jr. at Belleville Town Hall, 1 Kennedy Dr., Wednesday, Feb. 7 at 9 a.m. Those needing help before then may contact field representative Ann C. Mega at the Bloomfield office. Office hours are Monday and Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The phone number is 680-1361.

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Gateway Pregnancy Center, of Irvington and Elizabeth helps needy women and their babies. Nutley women collect the following items regularly for this organization: car seats, infant seats, strollers, cribs, bassinets and gates (no clothing or toys). Call Nancy at 661-4779 and she will pick up the items.

FoBas, (Friends of the Bloomfield/Bukowski Animal Shelter) seeks volunteers to help at the shelter. The fall orientation for new volunteers is approaching. Anyone interested should call Pat at 732-350-7502 or e-mail Fobas@comcast.net for an application and/or information.

Free transportation, to medical appointments for Montclair, Glen Ridge and Nutley residents 60 years of age or over who are mobile or require minimal assistance. Sponsored by Montclair-Glen Ridge-Nutley chapter. People of any age may get transportation to radiation, dialysis, physical therapy or same-day surgery. In Nutley, transportation services are available Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. All rides are by reservation at least one week in advance. Call 667-3818 for more information.

Elks monthly breakfast, Belleville Lodge 1123 to host "all-you-can-eat" breakfast every third Sunday at Belleville Elks Hall, 254 Washington Ave., Belleville from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Full breakfast menu. Adults \$5, children under 10 \$3 and children under three are free. Public is welcome.

Somers Dream Orchestra, Big band music last Monday of every month, Belleville Knights of Columbus, Council 835, 98 Bridge St. \$5 cover. Cash bar. Call 759-9656.

Nutley Recreation Senior Citizen Programs and Meetings: AARP meets every second Thursday of the month at 1 p.m. Old Guard: 9 a.m. Fridays, Parks and Rec.; Senior Service Club: 1 p.m. Fridays, Parks and Rec.; AARP: 1 p.m. second Thursday, Parks and Rec.; Golden Age Club:

1 p.m. Tuesdays; Senior Service Club for men and women meets every Friday at 1 p.m. Self help program: Tai Chi, Qigong, yoga, stress technique and meditation Mondays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Senior circle dancing aerobics county program: 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Thursdays, Parks and Rec.; exercise program: 10 a.m. Wednesdays, Parks and Rec.; Line Dance program: 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Parks and Rec.; Senior Citizen Recreation Center; exercise, Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. recreation gym; bingo, 1 p.m. Senior Citizens Center.

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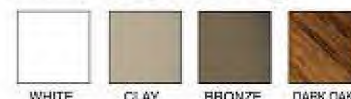
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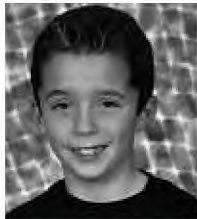







































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Free blood pressure readings, by registered nurse, 10 a.m. to 12 noon every Friday, Nutley Red Cross, 169 Chestnut St. No appointment necessary. For more info, call 667-3818. Blood drives third Tuesday of each month.

Bloomfield Peace Action, vigil 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. every Sunday, Broad Street in front of the library. For more info, call 338-5830 or e-mail bpeace@comcast.net.

Health workshop, free workshop by Wellness Education Foundation, Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at 411 Pompton Ave., Cedar Grove. Call Jeff or Bill at 239-3222.

Mobile office, Congressman Bill Pascrell, Jr. at Belleville Town Hall, every second Tuesday of the month from 6:30 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. Veterans benefits, immigration, Social Security, IRS issues addressed. Call 523-5152.

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Donate cars to Red Cross, The Red Cross requests donations of cars in return for a tax deduction. Donate used cars, trucks, RVs, motorcycles and boats by calling toll free 1-877-Red-Cross and

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An evening with Bobby Byrne, presented by the Nutley Elks Lodge #1290 Youth Activities Committee on Saturday, March 3 from 8 p.m. until 12 midnight. Corned beef, cabbage, potatoes and beverages. Make \$25 reservations early. After Feb. 1 reservations are \$30. For reservations contact Leading Knight Louis S. Lusquinos, Jr. at 201-341- 3079 or Chaplin Robert J. Mulligan, Jr. at 449-7579.

FAIRS, FLEA MARKETS, ETC ...

Nutley Museum, open first and third Sundays from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. For information, tours or hall rentals, call 667-1528 or visit the Web site www.nutleyhistoricalsociety.org.

Treasure Chest at Cerebral Palsy Center, 7 Sanford Ave., Belleville (opposite Clara Maass Medical Center). Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call 751-0200.

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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 12 noon Saturday.

REUNIONS ...

U.S.S. Coral Sea cvb/cva/cv-43 crewmen mini-reunion, at Sir John's Restaurant in North Brunswick Saturday, April 28. Additional information is also available about the U.S.S. Coral Sea cva-43 Association and its

yearly reunion in Las Vegas, NV, on Oct. 3 through 7. Contact Jack Weber at 299a Yardley Drive, Monroe N J 08831 or by phone at 609-860-0224; or Robert Nerbetski at 4 Atkins Terrace, East Rutherford, NJ 07073, by phone at 201-438-5269 or e-mail at cvb43@comcast.net.

Bloomfield High School Class of 1947, will hold a reunion Thursday, Oct. 4, 2007 at Doolan's in Spring Lake. For more information or to be added to the mailing list, call Dorothy Eadie Johnson at 338-1763 or e-mail Djoh688204@aol.com.

Bloomfield High School Class of 1947 reunion, Thursday, Oct. 4, 2007 from 12 noon to 4 p.m. at Doolan's in Spring Lake. For more

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NHS 50th reunion, Class of 1957 is planning a 50th reunion for October 2007. Contact Elizabeth Zito Gingerelli at 667-1462 or Lizzyginger@optonline.net; or Julia Seibert Sabadics at robusta@worldnet.att.net or call 667-4826.

Class of 1956 reunion, for Belleville High School is being planned. Call Pat at 751-5308 or e-mail patn139@aol.com.

Belleville High School Class of 1952, to hold 55th reunion April 22, 2007 at the Ramada Inn, Toms River. Call Mildred at 732-

506-0019 or Phyllis at 732-736-8368.


MEETINGS ...

Nutley Irish, meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at 8 p.m. at the VFW hall on Washington Ave., Nutley. New members are welcome. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call Tom McEnery, president, at 493-0029.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Gratia 751, meetings are held on the first and third Mondays at St. Mary's Lafayette Room, Nutley at 8 p.m. For more information, call Mary Jane at 667-3876.

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Pastor Moore leads classes on the first and third Tuesdays of every month from 12:30 p.m. until 2 p.m. at Bethany (enter via the New Street door). On the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, she can be found offering spiritual insights during Bible Study from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at First Lutheran in Kearny (please enter through the back parking lot).

Iglesia Luterana

Bethany Lutheran Church celebrates a unique and popular Lutheran Latino service – "Iglesia Luterana" – every Sunday at 6 p.m. Diaconal ministers Pedro Dulanto, Jorge Bazan and Evelyn Bazan preside over the Lutheran liturgical service spoken entirely in Spanish. This community of worshippers hosts many different religious and social activities every week – from Bible Study, music and dance classes to aerobics and even a pastry workshop. The congregation encourages anyone to join these gatherings.

Free English classes

Gwen Sanchez of Bethany Lutheran Church has resumed teaching weekly English-as-a-Second-Language classes at the church, now at a later time. The next class will run from 8:45 p.m. to 10:15 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 30. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please call the church for further information.

Healing prayers

Pastor Nancy S. Moore of the Bethany Lutheran Church will administer healing oil to all interested worshippers during prayers following each worship service on Sunday, Feb. 4.

This brief, special practice is held at Bethany on the first Sunday of every month directly after the regular 9 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. worship services. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please call the church for

further information.

Bethany Lutheran Church is a "Reconciling in Christ" parish of Lutherans Concerned, welcoming and including gay and lesbian persons. It is the stated policy of this congregation to welcome and fully include persons of every race, age, gender, marital status, ability and sexual orientation. Worship services are held year-round at 9 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. Child care is available. The church is located at 188 New Street, Belleville, and the phone number is 973-759-1555.

Fewsmith Memorial Presbyterian Church

Church World Service Sunday

On Sunday, Feb. 11 we will be celebrating "Church World Service Sunday," which we call "Blanket Sunday." A small donation of \$5 will buy a good wool and cotton-blend blanket. These blankets offer shelter and warmth to a child or adult who are left homeless or victims of a disaster. They can also be used as tents or room dividers for privacy. You can buy a blanket in honor or memory of a loved one or friend. It's a worthy cause!

S-O-U-P-E-R Bowl Sunday

We will be having our annual S-O-U-P-E-R Bowl Sunday on Feb. 4. After the service, the Sunday School children will be holding soup pots for the members and visitors to put money in to be donated to the Mary and Martha Food Pantry at Christ Episcopal Church on Washington Avenue in Belleville. This is a great cause because it helps to feed the many hungry families in our community. All our invited to come out and make this a very successful endeavor. We welcome all visitors every Sunday at 10 a.m. Our minister is Rev. Dr. Jim Horn.

Fewsmith Memorial Presbyterian Church is located at 444 Union Ave., Belleville. For more information or directions, e-mail us at fewsmithchurch@juno.com or call 973-759-6869.

Christian Apostolic Church

Christian Apostolic Church offers free English-as-a-Second-Language (ESL) classes every Monday at 7:30 p.m. Tony Mazzola teaches the class.

The Rev. Grace Alfieri teaches a free Bible study class for adults. The Rev. Stephen Alfieri teaches a youth Bible study class.

Prayer meetings are held every Wednesday morning at 9:30 a.m. Also on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. is a Bible study for women entitled "Women of Character," which is taught by Mary Kieffe. The focus is to help those who have family members with addictions.

A free senior luncheon is held at noon the first Thursday of every

month.

Bible study is offered the first and third Thursday of the month at 9:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

A prayer meeting is held at 7:30 p.m. The second Friday of the month is Extreme Youth Group for all ages.

Sunday worship services begin at 9:45 a.m. Sunday classes are available from babies to college-age.

These free programs are open to all. You do not have to be a member of the church.

Christian Apostolic Church is wheelchair accessible and is located at 88 Wallace St., Belleville. Rev. Grace Alfieri is the pastor. To reach the church office, call 973-751-2290. Visit the Web site at www.BellevillechurchNJ.com.

River of Life Assembly of God

Wednesday Bible Study

Bring your Bible and join teacher, writer and pastor the Rev. Randy Nichols for a continuation of the study of Paul's letter to the church at Corinth. The books of First and Second Corinthians were written to a church that lived in a multi-ethnic, pluralistic culture influenced in the area by people and ideas that came from around the world to make money in a booming business environment. Learn from God's word how to live for Christ in a hectic "Crossroads of the World" environment in our "Corinthian Letters 2" studies each Wednesday night at 7:30 p.m.

River of Life Assembly of God meets at 174 Homes St., Belleville. For more information about the church, call 973-759-0726.

Christ Episcopal Church

Smoking cessation classes

The Saint Barnabas Behavior Health Network, Institute for Prevention has announced a series of smoking cessation classes to be held Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. at Christ Episcopal Church.

The classes included group interactions, and learning different strategies and techniques for quitting smoking.

The sessions are \$15.

Soup kitchen open three days

The Mary and Martha Soup Kitchen has begun serving three days each week.

The soup kitchen is open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from noon to 1 p.m.

Donations of non-perishable canned goods are always welcome at the soup kitchen and volunteers are encouraged to help, especially on Tuesday and Thursday. Interested persons should call the parish at 973-751-0616.

Christ Church is an inclusive church in the Anglican tradition, located at 393 Washington Ave., Belleville (between Joralemon and Essex streets).

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Irritable bowel syndrome (IBS), or spastic colon, is a problem for as many as 20% of American adults. This annoying and difficult-to-treat condition can be disabling in severe cases. While its cause is unknown, it is thought to be related to bacteria that naturally inhabit the intestines. This may help explain why researchers recently found that an antibiotic proved effective in treating the condition. When patients were given 400 milligrams of the antibiotic rifaximin three times a day for ten days, they experienced relief from the symptoms of bloating, cramps, diarrhea, and constipation for as long as ten weeks afterward. This long-lasting relief shows that rifaximin attacks the source of the problem of excess bacteria in the gut.

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Learn to do basic searches on the Internet using search engines and other databases on Tuesday, Feb. 6 at 10 a.m. at the library. Learn about the library's ancestry and heritage databases, through which you can explore your family history. Register by calling the circulation desk at 973-450-3434.

Wednesday reading club

The new season of book discussions at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center promises to be an exciting one. The newly named "Wednesday Afternoon Reading Club" takes its name from the original name of the library.

Meet with discussion leader

Cindy LaRue, head of reference, on Wednesdays once a month at 1 p.m. On Wednesday, Feb. 14, the group will discuss "Practical Magic" by Alice Hoffman. Join us.

Poetry from all angles

The Friends of the Library and the Literature Department of the Woman's Club of Belleville present a series of poetry workshops

with poet and teacher Salvatore Buttaci. The series, which is free and open to the public, will take place on Saturdays at 1 p.m. throughout the winter season.

Register by calling the circulation desk at 973-450-3434.

The Belleville Public Library is located at 221 Washington Ave., Belleville.

FOBAS holding Tricky Tray

The Friends of Bloomfield Animal Shelter will be hosting its annual Tricky Tray on Wednesday March 14th, 2007. This year's event promises to be bigger and better than ever before. Due to popular demand and the need to accommodate more guests the event will be held at The Chandelier in Belleville.

All ticket purchases will include a starter pack of tricky tray tickets and a door prize ticket.

St. Paddy's theme ... lots of fun ... great items. Doors open at 6:00 pm at The Chandelier, 340 Franklin Avenue, Belleville, NJ. Tickets (advance sales only) are \$45 and include a huge family style dinner ... salad through dessert. Unlimited wine, beer and soda. And ... valet parking.

For ticket sales, information or to make a donation for the event call Pat at 732-350-7502, or e-mail Pat at fobas@comcast.net.

AREA EVENTS

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Nutley Lions Women's Auxiliary

dinner meetings held the first Thursday every month at 7 p.m. from September to June at Washington Park Restaurant, 174 Washington Ave., Nutley. New members welcome. Call Louise at 661-2906 for more information.

Nutley Jr. Woman's Club, meets at 8 p.m. first Mondays at Vreeland House, 216 Chestnut St. (next to police station) and seeks new members, ages 18 to 40. Refreshments. For more information, e-mail Theresa Loch, membership chair, at nutleyjuniors@hotmail.com.

Panic Relief, Inc., group forming in Belleville, Bloomfield, Nutley and Glen Ridge on Mondays from 12 noon to 1 p.m. and Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Program is geared to help those who suffer from panic, anxiety and agoraphobia gain control. To attend, call 732-940-9658.

VFW Ladies Auxiliary, to Stuart E. Edgar Post meets monthly at the post home, 271 Washington Ave., Nutley. Membership is open. Write to: Stuart E. Edgar Post Auxiliary, 136 Centre St., Nutley, NJ 07110.

Powerful You! Women's networking, Meetings are held on the second Tuesday monthly at Just Jake's, 30 Park St., Montclair. \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members. To RSVP, call 748-5100.

Bradbury-Van Riper House Inc., is conducting a membership drive. Meets fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Nutley Museum on Church Street. For more information, call 667-5700. Mailing address: P.O. Box 110031, Nutley, NJ 07110.

Cancer support group, for patients and survivors meets second and fourth Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m. at Center for Oncology Care, Columbus Hospital, 495 North 13th St., Newark. Call Carol Mustillo for more information at 268-5849.



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St. Mary's Church

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this year is \$50,179 and 100 percent participation. If we exceed our goal, our parish will receive a rebate that can be used to further our mission. Plan to make your pledge to the AAA of Feb. 3 and 4.

Retrouvaille

Marriage is about love and anniversary dinners. But it is also about balancing budgets, house-keeping and dealing with children. Retrouvaille ("Rediscovery") is designed to provide help and support to couples in difficult relationships. The program, offered by the Office of Family Life Ministries of the Archdiocese of Newark, begins with a weekend experience on March 23-25. For program and fee info, call 973-497-4327.

Caring Drivers Wanted

Parishioner and Religious Education teacher Phyllisann Meo is looking for help driving her dad to and/or from the Renal Center of Passaic on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, especially for pickup at 1 p.m. Drivers will be compensated. If you can help, please call

her at work at 21-488-2600 during weekday business hours.

Calendar Party Tricky Tray news

The Rosary Society's next perfect meeting is set for Monday, Feb. 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. We will discuss, among other things, our very popular Calendar Party Tricky Tray that will take place on Friday, March 23. We are still looking for a few more table sponsors who will decorate a table to reflect a month or season. If you would like to sponsor a table, please contact Noreen at 973-667-6706. Tickets will be going on sale early next month.

A spiritual retreat

The Institute for Christian Spirituality is sponsoring a retreat for teachers, counselors and chaplains on Saturday, Feb. 10 at 9:30 a.m. at Seton Hall University. Fee is \$15, includes lunch. To register, call Robert Miller at 973-313-6335.

Great gift for Devils fans

Tickets are available for the Sunday, Feb. 11 Devils vs. Tampa Bay

game at 3:30 p.m. in the Meadowlands. Seats are in a private, luxury glassed-in booth. The donation is \$90 per seat and includes food and beverages. The proceeds will go to LIFENET, a New Jersey pro-life education organization. To reserve your tickets, call 201-804-8331 or e-mail lifenetok@yahoo.com.

St. Mary's Parish is located at 17 Msgr. Owens Place, Nutley. Pastor is Rev. David Hubba. Visit the parish Web site: www.stmarysnutley.org.

Little Zion UAME Church

Food pantry available

Little Zion UAME Church conducts an emergency food pantry every third and fourth Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon.

Proof of income is required.

Little Zion UAME Church is located at 154 Stephens St., Belleville. For more information, call the church at 973-759-7358.

Holy Family Church

Mardi Gras celebration

Sponsored by Societies of Holy Family Church, the Mardi Gras celebration will be held Saturday, Feb. 17 from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. in the Good Shepherd Academy Gymnasium. The celebration will include a "pot luck style" dinner and dancing. Let's celebrate together! Super 50/50 winner will be announced that evening.

Centennial news: our journey continues ...

In 2009, Holy Family will be commemorating the 100th anniversary of its establishment. The celebration begins October 2008 and concludes December 2009. As we prepare for that anniversary, many celebrations are being planned. To help offset our expenses, we will have four second collections during 2007 and four second collections during 2008. The next collection is March 24/25. As in the past, we ask you to be as generous as your means allow.

Soup Drive

Now through Feb. 18: Since the weather has gotten colder, please remember our brothers and sisters who visit our Food Pantry. Social Concerns is hosting a soup drive for the four weeks. Soup, crackers and canned stews are all welcomed. Think how great it would be if every family in our parish brought in just one can of soup or cone box of crackers this month and left it in the donation boxes in the vestibule of the church. Thanks for helping feed those who are hungry, one person at a time.

Notes from Sister Eileen ...

Two upcoming events: the Brownstone LA FESTA DI SAN GIUSEPPE! is Friday, March 23, \$55, and "In the beginning" dinner and show in Lancaster, PA, is Thursday, April 19, \$95. Details for both events are available upon request. Both of these shows may be paid in installments.

Quinquennial Mass

Marriage salutes the faithful-

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ness, sacrifice and joy that is daily married life.

Couples celebrating an anniversary, divisible by five, are asked to sign up for Holy Family's special celebration on Sunday, Feb. 11 at the noon Mass.

Please return the form in the church bulletin no later than Feb. 5 in order for your name to appear in the Feb. 11 bulletin.

Theology on Tap

All young adults of the parish, married and single individuals in their 20s and 30s, are invited to "Theology on Tap" meeting at The Office, 619 Bloomfield Ave., Montclair, on Sunday, Feb. 11 at 8 p.m. Numbers in the restaurant are limited, therefore events are by registration only.

For more information, or to be added to a mailing list for program reminder, e-mail Luisa Witter, per-formgirl@yahoo.com or call Nancy Plate, 973-743-4061. Learn more about "Theology on Tap" by

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Religious retreat in Assisi, Italy

The Church is sponsoring a 10-day trip from July 2 to 12, including a four-day religious retreat in the city of St. Francis.

There will be Mass at the Basilica of St. Francis and sightseeing in Umbria. Then it's three days of sightseeing in Rome and Mass at the Vatican.

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Paul Bochicchio is the spiritual director. For more info visit www.assisifestival.com or call Select Travel at 800-752-6787.

Food pantry in need

The food pantry of Holy Family Church feeds approximately 12 families per week.

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TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the following proposed ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Belleville, N.J. held on Tuesday, January 9, 2007 and further notice is hereby given that the second and final reading of said ordinance will be considered by said Municipal Council at a meeting held at the Town Hall, Washington Avenue and Belleville Avenue, on Tuesday evening, February 13, 2007 beginning at seven o'clock p.m. when all objections to the passing of same will be heard and considered.

Kelly A. Nash,
Municipal Clerk

"AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER XXIII OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES ENTITLED "ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BELLEVILLE" "

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BELLEVILLE, NEW JERSEY:

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the Township of Belleville, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, that Chapter XXIII, of the codified ordinances of the Township of Belleville entitled, "Zoning Ordinance" is hereby amended to include "Affordable Housing" as follows:

PURPOSE
WHEREAS, the New Jersey Supreme Court and New Jersey Legislature have recognized and mandated in *So. Burlington Co. NAACP v. Mount Laurel*, 92 N.J. 158 (1983) ("Mount Laurel II") and the Fair Housing Act N.J.S.A. 52:27D-301, et seq ("FHA") that every municipality in New Jersey has an affirmative obligation to facilitate the provision of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing ("COAH") is the State administrative agency created pursuant to FHA vested and primary jurisdiction for the administration of affordable housing obligations in accordance with sound regional planning considerations in New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, COAH's Third Round Substantive Rules (N.J.A.C. 5:94-1 et seq.) implement a "growth share" approach to affordable housing production which requires affordable housing to be produced in conjunction with market-priced residential and nonresidential growth and development within the Township of Belleville; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Belleville desires to implement the "growth share" policies promulgated by COAH in its Third Sound Substantive Rules in an effort to foster the production of affordable housing opportunities for qualified low and moderate income households through COAH's third round, which extends from 1999 to 2014.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED by the Mayor and Municipal of the Township of Belleville that the "Zoning Ordinance" of the Township of Belleville is hereby amended as follows:

The following new section entitled "Uniform Growth Based Affordable Housing Production" is hereby added to the "Zoning Ordinance of the Township of Belleville", to read as follows:

Section 1. Applicability

- A. This subsection of the land use regulation of the Township of Belleville sets forth mechanisms by which developers shall provide for a fair share of affordable housing based on growth that is associated with development taking place within the Township of Belleville.
- B. Residential Development. Except as exempted in Section 2, all residential development that results in the construction of new market-priced dwelling units in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:94-1 et seq. shall be subject to the "growth share" provisions of this ordinance.
- C. Non-Residential Development. Except as exempted in Section 2, all non-residential development that result in an increase in gross floor area of any existing non-residential structure or the construction of a new non-residential structure in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:94-1 et seq. shall be subject to the "growth share" provisions of this ordinance.

Section 2. Exemptions

The following are exempted from the provisions of this Chapter:

- A. Developments that received building permit approval, prior to the effective date of this ordinance.
 - B. Residential developments that have been zoned to produce an affordable housing set-aside greater than the growth share requirements of this Section or that are intended to include only low and moderate income housing units.
 - C. Single lots created as part of a minor subdivision. Additional single lots created after the effective date of the ordinance in a subdivision of any remaining land in the parent tract shall be subject to growth share fee requirements.
 - D. Rehabilitation of building existing before the effective date of ordinance adoption.
- As to exemption C above, this type of development may still be subject to the developers fee ordinance.

Section 3. Residential Growth Share Provisions

- A. All non-exempt residential development which results in the construction one or more new market-priced dwelling units shall provide non-age restricted affordable housing at a ratio of one affordable unit for every eight market-priced units constructed on-site.
- B. All residential development consisting of eight or more residential units shall provide one non-age restricted affordable housing unit for every eight market-priced units unless an alternative production technique is approved by the Planning Board.
- C. For developments that result in a number of market-priced residential units not evenly divisible by eight, the developer may construct the additional affordable unit on-site or alternatively, the developer may make a payment in lieu of constructing the additional affordable unit. If the developer selects the latter option, the amount said payment shall be established by subtracting any whole multiples of eight from the total number of market-priced residential units being created, dividing any remaining number of units by eight and multiplying the resulting fraction by the established cost to construct one affordable residential unit ("Affordable Unit Cost").
- D. All residential development consisting of less than eight residential units may provide one affordable unit on-site or may make a payment in lieu of constructing the proportionate fraction of the affordable housing unit required. If the developer selects the latter option, the amount of said payment shall be established by dividing the number of market-priced units by eight and multiplying the resulting fraction by the Affordable Unit Cost.
- E. As an alternative to fulfilling the affordable housing requirements set forth in B through D above, the developers of residential units may elect to construct affordable housing units off-site but within the Township of Belleville.
- F. All residential development not subject to the provisions of A through E above, shall be subject to the provisions of development fees as set forth in the Development Fee Ordinance.

Section 4. Non-Residential Growth Share Provisions

- A. All non-residential development that results in an increase in gross floor area of any existing non-residential building or the construction of a new non-residential building in the township of Belleville shall provide one affordable unit for every 25 jobs that results from the application of standards adopted by COAH (presently found in Appendix E of N.J.A.C. 5:94-1 et seq.) and based on use groups, as defined by the International Building Code (IBC) which has been incorporated by reference into the Uniform Construction Code (UCC).
- B. All non-residential development shall provide one unit of affordable housing for every 25 jobs created by new or expanded development. Determinations of the number of jobs created shall be based on the new or expanded floor area in the development and the conversion factor, by use group, published by COAH as Appendix E in N.J.A.C. 5:9-41 et seq.
- C. Except as set forth in D below, non-residential developers shall provide for their affordable housing unit obligation off-site within the Township of Belleville.
- D. As an alternative to fulfilling the affordable housing requirements set forth in Section 4A and Section 4C above, the non-residential developer may make a payment in lieu of constructing the affordable units. The amount of said payment shall be determined by establishing the number of jobs to be created in a development by using the conversion factors published by COAH as Appendix E in N.J.A.C. 5:94-1 et seq., dividing by 25 to determine the number of affordable housing units required and multiplying the resulting figure by the Affordable unit cost.
- E. For developments that result in a number of jobs not evenly divisible by 25, the developer may construct the additional affordable unit off-site in accordance with subsection 4C above or alternatively, the developer may make a payment in lieu of constructing an additional affordable unit in accordance with subsection 4D above. If the developer selects the latter option, the amount of said payment shall be established by subtracting any whole multiples of 25 from the total number of jobs by 25 and multiplying the resulting fraction by the Affordable Unit cost.
- F. All non-residential development creating less than 25 jobs may provide one affordable unit off-site in accordance with subsection above or may make a payment in lieu of constructing an affordable housing unit. If the developer selects the latter option, the amount of said payment shall be established by dividing the number of jobs by 25 and multiplying the resulting fraction by the Affordable Unit Cost.
- G. "Additional floor area and coverage to accommodate any required affordable residential unit constructed on-site would not be deducted from the floor area ratio and maximum impervious coverage permitted in the zone for a non-residential use."

Section 5. Mixed Use Building Growth Share Provisions

- A. "Mixed Use Building" are defined as a building that permit both residential and non-residential construction.
- B. In a Mixed Use Building, residential development shall provide one affordable housing unit on-site for every eight market-priced units.
- C. In a Mixed Use Building, non-residential development shall provide one affordable housing unit on-site for every 25 jobs created by new or expanded development. Determinations of the number of jobs created shall be based on the new or expanded floor area in the development and conversion factors, by use group published by COAH as Appendix E in N.J.A.C. 5:94-1 et seq. Affordable units may be part or included within a mixed use structure or may be constructed in a separate building(s) on the same site.
- D. For developments in Mixed Use Building that result in a fractional affordable housing unit on-site or alternatively, the developer may make a payment in lieu of constructing the additional affordable unit only. The amount of said payment for non-residential development shall be determined by establishing the number of jobs to be created in a development by using the conversion factors published by COAH as Appendix E in N.J.A.C. 5:94-1 et seq., subtracting any whole numbers of 25 from the total number of jobs being created, dividing any remaining number of units by 25 and multiplying the resulting fraction by affordable unit cost. The amount of said payment for residential development shall be determined by subtracting any whole multiples of eight from the total number of market-priced residential units being created, dividing any remaining number of units by eight and multiplying the resulting fraction by the Affordable Unit Cost.

Section 6. General Provisions for Constructing Affordable Units.

- A. Affordable housing units being constructed on-site or off-site shall meet the requirements of the Township of Belleville's affordable housing ordinance, and shall be in conformance with COAH's third round rules at N.J.A.C. 5:94-1 et seq. and the Uniform Housing Affordability Controls at N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.1 et seq., including, but not limited to, requirements regarding phasing schedule, controls on affordability, low/moderate income split, heating source, maximum rent and/or sales prices, affordability average, bedroom distribution, and affirmative marketing.
- B. Developers electing to create affordable housing units elsewhere within the Township may

do so within existing buildings, whether converted, reconstructed or purchased for buy down or rental subsidy assistance in any zone of the Township of Belleville as set forth and regulated in this article.

- C. The reconstruction or conversion of any existing dwelling in which all such dwelling units are deed restricted for affordability to and occupancy by low and moderate income households shall be permitted as a right, subject to meeting all other requirements of this sub-article 6A not withstanding any other provision of this Ordinance to the contrary.
- D. To the greatest extent possible, affordable housing units being provided within inclusionary developments shall be disbursed throughout inclusionary developments and shall be located within buildings designed to be architecturally indistinguishable from the market-priced units otherwise being constructed within the development.
- E. In R-A-1 and R-A-2 single family residential zones, affordable housing generated by a development's growth share obligation may be accommodated by a payment in lieu of construction as provided for in Section 7.

Section 7. Payment in Lieu Provisions

- A. Payments in lieu of the construction of affordable housing. The Affordable Unit Cost shall be based upon a proportionate share of the total project cost embodied in one or more pro-formas for the construction an affordable housing development elsewhere within the Township of Belleville. Said proforma(s) shall be on file in the office of the Township Clerk.
- B. The payment in lieu of construction to be made by the developer may be subject to negotiation with the Township based upon the following considerations: the actual cost of buying down or subsidizing an existing or planned market priced dwelling unit to achieve affordability; the actual land cost of site(s) identified for off-site affordable housing construction with the Township or reasonable and acceptable offers to substitute land, site preparation and/or construction services for all or a portion of the monetary payment otherwise required.
- C. Regarding of the mechanism selected by the developer for satisfying the required number of affordable housing units, any development or portion thereof that generates a fraction of an affordable housing unit (Because the development contains fewer than or more than a number of units that is evenly divisible by eight) shall be required to make a payment in lieu of construction for the fraction of units based upon the pro-rated cost of constructing an affordable housing unit in the Township of Belleville.
- D. All payments in lieu of constructing affordable housing shall be deposited by the Township of Belleville into an affordable housing trust fund to be established by the Township of Belleville in conformance with regulations established by COAH and shall at all times be identifiable from development fees. These funds shall be used in accordance with regulations established by COAH to create new affordable housing opportunities within the physical boundaries of the Township of Belleville.

Section 8. Other Requirements.

- A. A proposed affordable housing plan shall be submitted with the development application to the Board at the time the application is made for any development requiring growth share affordable housing pursuant to this Section. The Plan shall be a condition of "completeness" determination. All plans shall be the subject of review by the Township Affordable Housing officer or appointee for consistency with COAH's Rules and with the Town's third round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan. Compliance with all terms of COAH's Rules and with the approved plan shall be a condition of development plan approval and may be covered by appropriate performance and maintenance guarantees as with any other required improvement.
- B. Where an odd number of low and moderate income housing units are required to be provided, the majority of the units shall be low income units. When there are an insufficient number of affordable units provided to meet the bedroom distribution requirements of COAH's Rules, the first unit shall be a two bedroom unit, the second unit shall be a one-bedroom unit and the third unit shall be a three bedroom unit. Otherwise, the bedroom distribution shall be in strict accordance with COAH's Rules.
- C. It shall be the developer's responsibility, at its sole cost expense, to pay the per unit cost of the initial advertising and ongoing administration of the controls on affordability pursuant to the contract between the Township and the experience administrative entity. The design-nated administrative entity shall file with the Township Affordable Housing Officer or designee such certification, reports and or monitoring forms as may be required by COAH.
- d. Moreover, developments covered by the section shall be exempt from the payment of Development Fees under the adopted Development Fee Ordinance.
- E. The use of any of the foregoing mechanisms for providing affordable housing within the Township of Belleville shall be limited to the provision of non-age restricted affordable housing units in compliance with all of the COAH's Rules set forth at N.J.A.C. 5:9-41 et seq. unless otherwise authorized by the Planning Board.

Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances.

Any ordinances of the Township of Belleville that are in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to extent of such conflict.

Severability.

If any part of this Ordinance shall be deemed invalid, such parts shall be served and the invalidity thereof shall not effect the remaining parts of this Ordinance.

Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as required by law.

Belleville Times 1949593

Fee \$162.94

February 1, 2007

SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 2006 012337

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F1471506 WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK PLAINTIFF -vs- MARK J. PIACENTE; ET AL. DEFENDANTS
Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises
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Newark, N.J. January 01, 2007
ARMANDO B. FONTOURA, Sheriff
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Belleville Times 1945309

Fee \$28.88

January 25, February 1, 2007

SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 2007 000259

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F1509706 WELLS FARGO BANK, NA AS TRUSTEE PLAINTIFF -vs- FELIX MENDOZA DEFENDANTS
Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises
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The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn the sale from time to time as provided by Law.

Newark, N.J. January 22, 2007
ARMANDO B. FONTOURA, Sheriff
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Belleville Times 1951644

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February 1, 8, 15, 22, 2007

NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE AND SUMMARY

The ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the governing body of the Township of Belleville, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey, on January 9, 2007. It will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the governing body to be held at the Town Hall, in the Township on February 13, 2007 at 7:00 o'clock p.m. During the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting, copies of the full ordinance will be available at no cost and during regular business hours at the Clerk's office for the members of the general public who shall request the same. The summary of the terms of such ordinance follows:

Title: ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$1,000,000 FROM VARIOUS SOURCES FOR IMPROVEMENTS AND SITE RENOVATIONS TO THE BELLEVILLE MUNICIPAL STADIUM IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF BELLEVILLE, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY

Purpose(s): Renovations, site improvements and all other improvements necessary therefor or incidental thereto to the Belleville Municipal Stadium.
Appropriation: \$1,000,000
Bonds/Notes Authorized: \$0
Grants (if any) Appropriated: \$0
Section 20 Costs: N/A
Useful Life: N/A

Kelly A. Nash, Clerk
This Notice is published pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-17.
Belleville Times 1949549
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February 1, 2007

SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 2006 012236

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F1136606 DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE UNDER THE POOLING, ETC PLAINTIFF -vs- FLOR SANTANA; ET AL. DEFENDANTS

Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises
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BLOOMFIELD, NJ 07003
Lot: 4 Block: 1087
Size: APPROX. 100 x 53 feet
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The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn the sale from time to time as provided by Law.

Newark, N.J. January 01, 2007
ARMANDO B. FONTOURA, Sheriff
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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F739206 EMC MORTGAGE CORPORATION PLAINTIFF -vs- VIRGINIA REDDEN; ET AL DEFENDANTS

Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises
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Newark, N.J. January 08, 2007
ARMANDO B. FONTOURA, Sheriff
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1-908-233-8500, XCZ-76188
Belleville Times 1950055

Fee \$43.32

February 1, 8, 15, 2007

SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 2006 012009

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F1413706 HOUSEHOLD FINANCE CORPORATION III PLAINTIFF -vs- ROLANDO NEPOMUCENO AKA ROLAND R. NEPOMUCENO; ET AL. DEFENDANTS

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11/29/2003

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The approximate amount of the Judgment to be satisfied by said sale is the sum of THREE HUNDRED SIXTY SIX THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY AND 17/100 DOLLARS (\$366,820.17), together with the costs of this sale.

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

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January 25, February 1, 2007

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