United they stand

Belleville's first civil union ceremony held last week Page 6



FRAN BALTZER/BELLEVILLE TIMES

Longtime couple Randy Lee Webster and Paul Walker were able to make their relationship official in the eyes of the law during a civil union ceremony, the township's first, conducted March 6.

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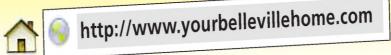


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- A burglary and theft were reported from a home in 100 block of Franklin Street at 11:20 p.m. on March 10. The owner reported that a basement door had been pried open. Reported missing were home theater speakers and curtains valued at \$300. Police are investigating.
- A 15-year-old male Jersey City juvenile was arrested and charged with being a disorderly person at 10:20 p.m. on March 10. A resident in the 200 block of New Street reported hearing a loud noise, like a rock hitting the residence. The resident then chased and apprehended the youth, and waited until police arrived to make an arrest.
- An attempted burglary was reported from a home in the 300 block of Cortlandt Street at 4:12 a.m. on March 10. The resident reported hearing a loud noise from the living room on the first floor of the home. They then turned on lights and went downstairs, reportedly seeing two persons fleeing out the front door and running off the porch. A color television and the front door were reported damaged. Police are investigating.
- A Chinese food delivery man reported a robbery at 9:15 p.m. on March 10. The man said he was attempting to make a delivery to Clark Terrace when two Hispanic males punched and robbed him. They reportedly took all of the

food and \$20 from the man, for a arrested for DWI. He was released total value of \$60. The matter is under investigation.

- An armed robbery was reported at 8:06 p.m. near Rocco Street and Sanford Avenue on March 10. Two youths reported that they were walking when three black males who said they had a handgun demanded money and property from the two youths. Two cell phones, a gold necklace and \$10 were reported stolen. The suspects were described as three young black males wearing hooded sweatshirts.
- Police arrested and charged Jose Flores Arrobo, 41, of Belleville with driving while intoxicated at 1:15 a.m. on March 9. Police responded to the area of Passaic Avenue and Greylock Place on the report of a gray truck with a radio playing very loudly. Police conducted a motor vehicle stop on the truck on Passaic Avenue. They found the driver to be slurring his speech and to have a strong odor of alcohol. After conducting field sobriety tests, the suspect was

on his own recognizance.

- A robbery was reported from a home on Marion Court at 11:52 a.m. on March 9. The homeowner said a roommate had a party on March 3, and days later the homeowner noticed that two gold rings, valued at \$2,600, were missing. They said the rings were seen the night of the party, but not after. Police are investigating.
- A robbery was reported by a Belleville High School student at 11:30 a.m. on March 9. The student reported leaving their belongings in a locker and going to gym class. Upon returning, the student reported that a \$400 Ipod and a \$400 cell phone were both missing from the locker. Police are investi-
- Police arrested and charged Jose Morocho, 42, of Bloomfield with driving while intoxicated, failure to submit to a Breathalyzer test and several motor vehicle summonses at 10:30 p.m. on March 6. Police were patrolling on Franklin Street near Belmont Avenue when

a vehicle headed straight for them, causing the police car to swerve. Police then conducted a motor vehicle stop on the vehicle, and found the driver could not put the car in park. The driver had bloodshot eyes and a strong odor of alcohol. After conducting field sobriety tests, the driver refused a Breathalyzer test and was placed under arrest for DWI. He was then found to be a revoked driver, and was also given summonses for careless driving and improper passing. He was released on his own recog-

■ An armed robbery was reported from the TLC Deli on Franklin Street at 9:06 a.m. on March 11. Police said a while male in a blue hooded sweatshirt entered the deli brandishing a large knife and said, "Where's the money?" He left the deli with approximately \$700 from the clerk/owner and ran north on Frederick Street. Police are investi-

All suspects are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

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Schools asked to get defibrillators

BY RICHARD DICKON

of Belleville Times

A question from an audience member at the March 5 Board of Education meeting prompted a discussion about supplying public schools with defibrillators.

School board member William Villano said there were two reasons why schools do not have the defibrillators on hand.

"There are the costs of training and the liability issue," Villano said. Board member John McManus, a longtime member of the National Guard, said the use of defibrillators is governed by very specific

"They must be located at the central point of the building," McManus said. "And everyone who might use them must be fully trained and certified."

Firefighters have them on every fire engine and every ambulance, according to officials.

School Board Vice President Vincent Strumolo, Jr. is a police officer. He reminded the board that every police car has a portable defibrillator.

Also, the police officers acting as resource officers in both the high school and middle school know how to use a defibrillator, he said.

"Technically, we have trained officers in both buildings," Strumolo said. "It wouldn't be a bad idea to have them (defibrillators) in case something happens."

According to BambooWeb Dic-

tionary, an automated external defibrillator detects and treats cardiac arrest to the cardiac arrhythmias, or ventricular tachycardia (VT). Uncorrected, these arrhythmias rapidly lead to irreversible brain damage and death.

In ventricular fibrillation, the electrical activity of the heart becomes chaotic, preventing the ventricle from effectively pumping blood. In ventricular tachycardia, the heart beats too fast to effectively pump blood. Frequently, ventricular tachycardia leads to ventricular fibrillation, the directo-

Defibrillation, by applying a shock to the entire heart muscle, uniformly clears the heart's electrical system, hopefully allowing it to resynchronise, according to the directory.

Unlike regular defibrillators, an automated external defibrillator automatically determines if a shock is indicated, and automatically selects and delivers the appropriate energy level.

The user cannot override a "no shock" advisory by an AED. It is called external because the operator applies the electrode pads to the patient's chest, unlike internal defibrillators with electrodes surgically placed inside a patient's body, the directory states.

The Nutley Board of Education pulled the plug on a plan that would have brought the life-saving devices into the schools, citing liabilities and safer alternatives.

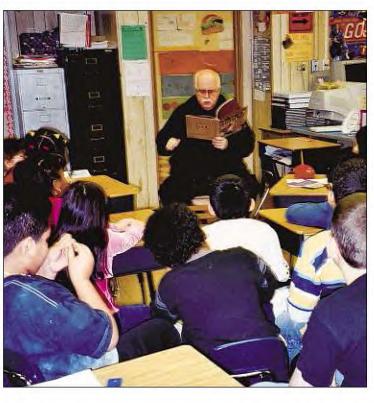




PAWING THROUGH SOME BOOKS

In honor of Read Across America Day - held on the anniversary of the birth of beloved children's author Theodor "Dr. Seuss" Geisel, creator of The Cat in the Hat - guest readers visited classes March 2 at School Number 4 and recited from favored selections.

PHOTOS COURTESY OF SCHOOL 4



Comcast: Big changes coming to cable by '09

BY DAVID HINRICHS of Belleville Times

basic cable in the coming months as Comcast announced its plans to move its programming exclusively to digital cable.

Charles Smith III, a representative from Comcast of New Jersey, spoke at the Belleville Township Council meeting on March 13 to address concerns about relocating channels. "By February of 2009 the federal government will have reclaimed all the analog bandwidth in the country used for basic cable broadcast. This move will force us to relocate all our programming to digital stations only receivable through a digital cable box," said Smith. "The thinking with the progressive movement is channels slowly instead of all at seeing a progressive move.

One channel's migration in particular has caused a stir amongst residents. "I know a lot of people watch the Game Show channel and now they can't because you moved it to one of the digital channels. It seems like you are taking away programs people watch to force them to buy digital and get the box," said councilman Kevin

the audience that the move was in as possible," said Smith.

'We would like to Many channels will be leaving migrate our channels slowly instead of all at once...We want to make the transition for our customers as smooth as possible.'

> **Charles Smith III** Comcast representative

the best interest of the customers, emphasizing that a slow, steady migration from analog bandwidth to digital is a much better alterna-

Another major channel about to that we would like to migrate our make the jump is HBO, which according to Smith, will be moving once. That is why customers are exclusively to a digital broadcast on April 1st.

> Smith indicated that the federal government take over was happening for a variety of reasons, including homeland security issues and financial concerns.

The digital cable box, which is required to view digital programming, can be purchased for as low as one dollar. "There are some models that are available for one dollar. We want to make the tran-Smith assured the council and sition for our customers as smooth

Optimist Club sponsoring egg hunt

Once again it's time for the Optimist Club of Belleville to sponsor its Annual Easter Egg

The hunt will take place on Saturday March 31 at 9:30 a.m. in Belleville Park, Belleville Avenue entrance.

The rain date will be one week later on Saturday, April 7.

Each year the Optimist Club of Belleville fills over 2,000 plastic eggs with toys and candies and hides them in plain sight in two grassy fields in Belleville Park.

to age 5 years are engaged in the hunt. In the other field kids ages 6 through 12 years will engage in the hunt.

In addition, approximately another 500 or more eggs have a piece of paper in them with the letters "A", "B", and "C" in them. These letters correspond to various size chocolate bunny prizes that will be given to the children who find those special eggs.

A printed flyer is circulated on the Thursday before Palm Sunday

In one field kids age 6 months throughout the Belleville elementary schools inviting all elementary grade children and their younger brothers and sisters to the annual Easter egg hunt.

Directions to the Hunt Site: Enter the Belleville Park section of Branch Brook Park through the Belleville Avenue entrance just West of the little Senior Citizens building on Belleville Avenue. (Across from the Getty Station) This is a new location chosen because of its available parking lot and rest room facilities.

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'The Sopranos' and The Stereotype

Since The Sopranos debuted in 1999, there's been a periodic ritual between officials and private citizens in Essex County and the producers of the hit show, which is entering its last season next month. The makers of the program, largely set in Essex County (the fictional clan lives in North Caldwell), seek permission to shoot (no pun intended) some scenes here. Some government official or ad hoc body of private citizens protests that the show portrays Italian-Americans in a negative light, a kind of Amos 'N Andy for the 21st century. Others, including many of Italian descent, weigh in and profess their love for the show and their pride in the fact that it is filmed here.

Although the latest flap occurred this month in Bloomfield (where town officials first approved, then revoked, then finally gave the OK for the show to shoot at a local ice cream parlor), this matter is of no small passing interest to the people of Belleville. Many of the characters have ties to the town, it's frequently mentioned, and scenes have been filmed here in the past. Some of the most vocal critics of the

So are the producers of the show anti-Italian bigots? The answer is no, although an explanation is necessary. It's true that ever since "The Godfather," it seems that any film or TV show depicting recognizably Italian-American characters portrays them as gangsters (the fact that some of these films and TV shows are both critically acclaimed and created by those of Italian descent just muddies the waters further). Those who want Tony and Company out of Essex are reacting to this trend. They also note that where it's not OK to portray some groups, say African-Americans, in a stereotypical fashion, it's open season on Italian-Americans.

But there is a qualitative difference between what blacks faced and what Italians faced. There is a far more brutal subtext to stereotypical portrayals of non-white people like African-Americans and Asians in American culture; for much of this country's history, many non-whites weren't legally considered full-fledged persons. Italians historically faced bigotry, but of a type not nearly as virulent as that

Moreover, what The Sopranos depicts is an actual facet of the Italian-American experience. The Mafia exists; just ask Rudy Giuliani, the candidate for the US presidency who made his name as a prosecutor fighting organized crime. It is true that the Mafia is an exceedingly small facet of the Italian-American experience and hardly representative of Italian-Americans generally. But part of what makes entertainment so entertaining is that it presents us a world outside common experience, and portrayals of gangsters do just

Pretending that there is no Mafia by attempting to suppress depictions of it does not help burnish the image of Italian-Americans. What does help cast Italian-Americans in a positive light is what the vast, overwhelming majority of them have been doing in America all along: starting businesses, coaching Little League, creating art, fighting and dying for their country and being good neighbors to the non-Italians in their midst.

■ LETTERS

Time for change at board

TO THE EDITOR:

For many years I had the honor of serving as a member and president of the Belleville Board of Education. During those many years of involvement, I can never remember a time when our school district was in worse shape. The present board's inability's to solve the problems we face are testament to their incompe-

Currently, three elementary schools, the junior high school, and the high school are struggling to keep their state accreditation because of ever-lower test scores and the superintendent's inability to effectively lead the district. Longtime dedicated principals such as Joseph Petrillo and Dr. Marilyn McGrath have been made into scapegoats for a board and a superintendent who deserve to be fired.

The academically talented program at School Number Seven. which has served as a model for other school districts for more than twenty years, was eliminated by the school board in a futile attempt to raise test scores. The board and the superintendent actually said that they eliminated the A.T. program so that the "smart kids" could be sent back to their neighborhood schools so that test scores would improve. Have you ever heard anything more ridiculous? Instead of solving the underlying problems in the school district, this board has resorted to gimmicks in a cheap attempt at cheating the testing process. This course will ultimately fail because children who are not learning will never test well no matter what quick fixes the board employs.

Each year the board of education raises our taxes, yet our schools continue to decline in statewide rankings. Our high school now scores well below that of our neighbors in Nutley

and Bloomfield. In the last few years, even urban districts such as Newark, East Orange, and Paterson have ranked higher than Belleville. Morale among all board employees is at an all time low, and many dedicated educators have chosen retirement rather than serving under a board and superintendent they know to be wrong. For these many reasons and others too numerous to mention, Belleville's voters must elect three new members of the board of education this April. The very future of our children is at stake.

Patricia Pisano

March is Red **Cross Month**

TO THE EDITOR:

When neighbors help neighbors in emergencies, it's something to celebrate. That is why every U.S. president since Franklin D. Roosevelt has declared March as Red Cross

In celebration of National Red Cross Month, the American Red

Men's softball

teams sought

The Belleville Recreation Department is presently seeking teams to play in its Men's Soft-ball League beginning in April 2007. The league plays weeknights at Belleville Park, using A.S.A. Slow-Pitch rules. There is a residency requirement, mandating that 50% or more of the team members be Belleville residents. For other information or if interested, please call 973-450-

Cross of Metropolitan New Jersey is offering a remarkable learning opportunity through a CPR/AED (Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation and Automated External Defibrillator) Rally on Saturday, March 31, 2007 at Rutgers Newark -Golden Dome located at 42 Warren Street, Newark, NJ. The Rally runs from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm.

The Metro NJ Red Cross has served this community so long and so well that it is easy to overlook the fact that its services are performed largely by volunteers and are supported through the generosity of people right here in Metro NJ. Thanks to their commitment, local residents have received critical help just in the past year when over 300 disasters, including home fires, floods and other emergencies have struck.

Our community is a safer place

because 2,100 of our neighbors have received Red Cross training in lifesaving skills like first aid, CPR, and water safety. And that's only the beginning.

What makes these achievements worth celebrating is that each is truly a gift given by a member of this community. The Red Cross is nothing more, and nothing less, than the goodwill of our neighbors, coming together in one place. So give your favorite Red Cross supporter a pat on the back this March.

Better yet, contact us at 973-797-3000 or visit our website, www.redcrossmetronj.org and find out how you can get involved.

> Nancy Asaro **Chief Executive Officer** The Metropolitan New Jersey Chapter of the American Red Cross

Kennedy Association announces scholarship breakfast

On Sunday, April 15, the Kevin G. Kennedy Civic Association will hold its 14th annual scholarship breakfast from 10 a.m. to noon at the Chandelier in Belleville. This year the scholarships will be given in memory of Stephen Andrews and Patricia Ann Morrison.

The Humanitarian of the Year 2007 is Freeholder Ralph Caputo last year the annual Dr. James J. for his hard work and commitment Cozzarelli and Mr. Joseph Restaino to the people of Belleville, Essex County and the State of New Jersey. Lois Servidio is the recipient of the Community Service Award for

The association will give out its

annual scholarships in memory of Lt. Edward J. Kennedy, Marguerite and Edward Kennedy, the standard bearer's brother, mother and father, and Fabiola "Fab" Piombo, a friend of the Association from the start and the annual Township Clerk Mary Lou Hood Memorial Scholarship. There is also added scholarships.

Tickets are \$30 per person. Send check or money order to P.O. Box 192, Belleville, N.J. Ads cost \$125 full page, \$65 1/2 page, \$40 1/4 page and \$30 patron.

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Woman's Club hosting 'Shop' fundraiser

On Thursday evening, April makers and mothers. 12, the Woman's Club of Belleville will be holding its annual fundraiser, Shop Into Spring, at the Chandelier in Belleville. All are welcome for a great night of 2089. fun, prizes and shopping. The Woman's Club is celebrating its 85th year of service to the Township of Belleville. Its members include teachers, business owners, professionals, retirees, home-

For those wishing to attend, the ticket cost is \$30.00 which includes a full course dinner. Please contact Elaine at 973-751-

Vendors are needed; if interested, please contact Kathy at 973-759-1792. The cost per table for vendors is \$25.00; checks must be received by March 23, 2007. Hope to see you there!

Belleville * Times

PAUL G. MILO

'Teen room' may be coming to the library

BY DAVID HINRICHS of Belleville Times

New computers, video game capabilities, vending machines and new tiling are just some of the improvements slated for the Belleville Public Library in the coming weeks.

Library Director Joan Taub, along with library board trustee Richard Yanuzzi, announced their intentions to modify the existing meeting room into a "teen room." The room will hold 22 new computers and is designed specifically to house teens coming from school. Four tables will be placed in the center of the room with the computers surrounding them. "This is something that is being done in quite a few libraries around the area to help kids find a place. It can get a little hectic upstairs with the kids and adults in the same room. By giving them their own place, they won't have to be completely quiet anymore and

without disturbing anyone else," said Taub. "We want all our computers in this room to be top of the line and give the kids a chance to play games amongst each other in a friendly environment."

No date has been set for when the room would be completed but all the research and materials needed for its completion have been gathered. "This is a milestone for the progression of the library. Over the last few years, we have truly made it an information center, living up to the mandate to serve the community," said Yanuzzi. "This new room will feature online capabilities, video games, overhead projection screen and research tools so that kids can come here to play or do their homework. We want our kids to be able to come and enjoy this place."

The room will also come to the library at a minimum cost. "Each computer will be purchased for under \$800 from Dell and we have

niture at a minimal price. We are also holding a Taste of Belleville fundraiser to generate money and are sponsoring a program that will allow local businesses to adopt a computer for our use," said Yanuzzi. "We have already begun painting the room and have everything ready. We just need approval from the library board on Wednesday (March 14) to officially begin moving everything into place."

Yanuzzi indicated that he believes the proposal will pass without a problem because of the positive feedback he has already received concerning the project from existing board members. "This is a great thing for the library and the community. It is a breath of fresh air to see the council and library board work as a cohesive unit to get things done. The mayor has given this board his full cooperation," said Yanuzzi. "I would also like to point out that our wonderful library director, Ms. Taub,

they can converse with each other deals through IKEA to receive fur- has worked very hard at imple- back as possible. I have also menting this plan. She has presided over this library during a time of great change and deserves all the credit."

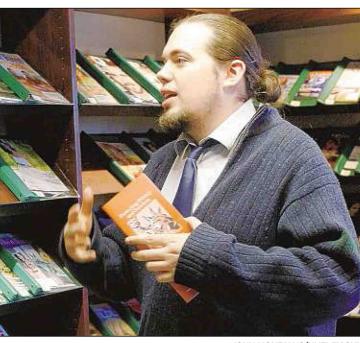
The room, if approved, will be monitored by long-time Belleville library employee John Porcaro. Yanuzzi has also scheduled for an off-duty police officer to be present at the library during peak hours. "The teens have given us no reason to believe things will get out of hand, but we have the security in place just in case," said Yanuzzi. John has been with us since he was about 14 years old and knows the library very well. This is a very appropriate task for him that I am sure he will excel in."

Porcaro has been collecting ideas for the room over the past few weeks. "I have set up an online blog forum for teens to send me their thoughts on what they think will work. We want this room to be all about them and what they want so I am looking for as much feed

researched what other towns have done in regards to teen-specific rooms in their libraries," said Porcaro. "We don't want to be reinventing the wheel here If we are venting the wheel here. If we see something that worked somewhere else, we will try it here." where else, we will try it here."

In addition to becoming the "teen room," the area will also con-"teen room," the area will also continue to carry out its current functions of holding meetings and special events. "This room is large enough where we can do this and still maintain our current uses for the room. The tables in the center will be able to accommodate any future meetings we may have and the overhead projector being connected to our computers will give us additional capabilities," said Taub. "This is a great thing for o

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JOHN MONTALVO/NUTLEY SUN

Librarian John Porcaro is seen here at the Belleville Public Library, which is due for some significant renovations.

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Couple joins, breaks ground in process

BY RICHARD DICKON of Belleville Times

For the Rev. Paul Walker and his life partner, Randy Lee Webster, being part of Belleville's first civil union ceremony is just the latest in a long journey toward acceptance and tolerance that has spanned their 13 years as a couple.

The couple was joined in a civil union on March 6 at Belleville Town Hall, presiding over by Municipal Judge Karen Smith.

The two lead a congregation at Christ Episcopal Church on Washington, and have for nearly a decade.

The union was just the latest step in a march that has mirrored the victories of gay couples to earn equality in America.

Walker said the two had legal papers drawn up 13 years ago to give them the best situation possible at the time.

"It was costly," he said. "We had to hire a lawyer. We did the best we could, but we couldn't file joint state tax returns, and we still do not file federal joint tax returns."

Inheritance rights came a couple of years ago, when New Jersey first passed domestic partnership legislation.

As for a civil union, Walker said, "It really locks it in. It's the same as a marriage, except for the word."

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Unfortunately, he said he believes in an average person's mind, it's a second class, second rate partnership.

Walker talked about going to the see a doctor for an MRI after he tore some cartilage in his right knee

"The receptionist asked what our relationship was, and what she should put it under," he recalled. "There was nothing on the form. She said she would put it under



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Present for Belleville's first civil union ceremony last week were Heather Anne Walker, witness Jahngir Kabir, Paul Walker II and the happy couple, Paul Walker and Randy Lee Webster.

common law."

Civil unions, Walker said, a more akin to marriages, but there is a disconnect, where people just don't know what to do.

When it comes to the people who know Walker and Webster well, the civil union was a big event

"People around us were much

more excited than we were," Walker said.

That is because the couple have been winning average people over since they were among the first to register for domestic partnership nine years ago in Rochester, N.Y., which was followed by a religious ceremony.

"We had a huge religious service that sealed our spiritual union," Walker said. "It was a huge event, complete with the Bishop's approval."

At that point, the couple had all the legal rights possible, including a health care proxy and power of attorney, but not the tax advantages that come with a civil union.

The civil union is important for more than just the couple's rights, Walker said.

"Being who we are, as leaders of the community, it was important to bear witness to the community, and encourage people to do this," he said. "We set out to raise awareness, but it turned out to be a real event. People were volunteering to be our witnesses. They were literally pushing to be the ones to sign the papers. It was really endearing."

He said the positive reaction was more so because of the work

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the couple had done that tied them to the community.

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On the day of the service, several people from town hall were in attendance, including Township Manager Victor Canning. "We were very touched by their support," Walker said.

So the next logical question after the advent of civil unions is when states will begin, as a group, to recognize civil unions as marriages, which he said may take some time.

Walker said, "When enough states have civil unions, it will slip into marriage, because people are so accustomed to it. That may not happen until about the time I

In Massachusetts, where gay marriages are recognized as legal, all civil unions immediately were transformed into marriages, Walk-

Webster said the word marriage carries with it so much baggage, but over the course of time, that can change.

"People will see there really is no difference," he said. "It will slip into the language. But that will not happen tomorrow."

Walker said there has recently been a resurgence in marriage across the country, but before that studies showed that only one fourth of Americans were married with children. He said he believes marriage has returned to its earliest roots as a status symbol among the more affluent to preserve inheri-

"Marriage as an institution grew into a recognized sacrament, but it is rediscovering its roots," Walker

When domestic partnerships "Who we are as clergy comes first came into being, the licenses first," Walker said. "We just happen were issued at the same place as dog licenses, he said.

"That was definitely a subliminal message," Walker said.

With intolerance still such a problem, Webster said the prevalence of use of the words "gay" and other slurs as derogatory terms comes from human beings having always needed someone "to be lower than ourselves."

He said growing up in the 1970s, referring to men in feminine terms was a way of talking down to male colleagues.

"That's verbiage being used to keep a hierarchy," Webster said.

Walker remembered growing up Catholic in Scranton, Pa., where the joke was that the city was at least 20 years behind everyone else in social growth. He talked to his priest about having homosexual feelings

"He told me to get married, and I would get over it," Walker said. "I chose to take his advice and be something I wasn't. So I got married. Being a parent was fine, but I did not have the attraction for that partner in life. We became like two ships passing in the night."

He eventually made the difficult decision to transition into becoming who he was, at a high cost.

"It was difficult to find a parish where I could go, even in the Episcopal Church," Walker said. "Just because it's okay here, doesn't mean every parish would accept a coupled gay person. There were limits to the places I could apply. It

'In the Midwest, in the early 1970s, you could be beat up or killed... I really envy the kids today, who are just beginning to figure out their sexuality, whether it be gay or straight. They have access to information that tells them they are not abnormal.'

Randy Lee Webster

was very detrimental."

Ten years ago, he said he applied to a parish in Provincetown, Ma., which is a famous location for gays in the summertime. But apparently, the rest of the year, the situation is less accommodating.

"The search committee had a problem with a 'coupled' gay man," Walker said. "It turned out they offered the job to a single gay man. We got a letter. To be honest, it hurt

He said he had been the finalist in 200 parishes, but the snubs have done a lot to educate the couple.

"They said they're not ready for us," Walker said. "I'm so tired of hearing that it is not about the skills we're bringing, but whether or not they think the congregation will accept us."

At Christ Episcopal, Walker and

Webster had already been working in the parish before they were officially introduced as a couple, so it wasn't an issue.

Webster said the couple had already done a lot in the township.

"Once you see human faces doing good for people, people look back at being homophobic, and they say, 'We're not supposed to like them because..." he said. Walker said there will always be

some people dead set against it, and he sees other churches reinforce those beliefs, which gets him angry sometimes.

He tells the story of the oldest women in his congregation, now diseased, who asked him down to her house.

Expecting the worst, the two ended up becoming "partners in crime," with her helping with things like bulk mailings, and he driving her to doctor's appointments. "She became my best friend," he said.

During their first few years in Belleville, there was hate mail, always anonymous. Once, while eating at a diner, a husband became so disgusted by the couple that he said he was adamant about leaving because he was becoming physically ill. The wife stayed.

"Those are unusual situations, and have not been the norm," Walker said.

Webster said whatever the issue, whether it be race, sexual orientation or gender, "you have to comfortable with who you are, and not let it bother you."

That way, such incidents as that one in the diner become an educational opportunity, a chance for talk and dialogue.

Walker said that other times it's all right to be justifiably angry over social injustice.

Webster said that Walker's son is also gay, and brought his partner to Belleville for the civil union.

"Being in the middle of all of it, he just sees his dad and Randy," Webster said. "After it started, he reflected with his partner about it. I told Paul, 'After you and I are gone, they will inherit documents from the cutting edge of social history, from the forefront of change."

Webster, who is 50, grew up in rural Iowa in the late 1960s and early 70s, when the word gay did not even exist.

"In the Midwest, in the early 1970s, you could be beat up or killed," Webster said. "I told the boys that they live in a whole different place in American society. They had a hard time imagining. If he has children, they will wonder how the story could even be possible. I really envy the kids today, who are just beginning to figure out their sexuality, whether it be gay or straight. They have access to information that tells them they are not abnormal."

Growing up among large classes of students in high school and college, Webster had no such

"It thought I was the only one who felt the way I did," he said. "I was almost 20 before I first encountered that there was word

Getting to know Belleville, Webster said he sees signs that things really are changing, if slowly.

"I see more rainbow bumper stickers and flags on houses, that tell me that Belleville is not 99.9 percent straight," he said. "Knowing that is in our midst, we feel a little bit safer about being who we

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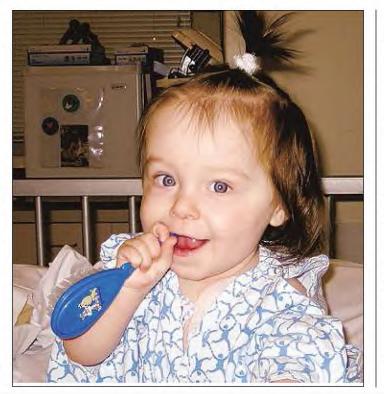
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School-shooting training for educators

BY RICHARD DICKON of Belleville Times

All high school staff members will soon be trained about what to if an armed shooter is threatening innocent lives at their school, according to Superintendent of Schools Dr. Edward Kliszus.

The training would come on the heels of local, county and state law enforcement officials speaking about, and demonstrating with brutal realism the need to train and arm local police first responders. The first responders would need to be armed with the proper gear to enter a school or other public place where a shooter is threatening innocent lives.

The demonstration at Belleville High School in February was attended by numerous police officers, including high-ranking officers from Nutley, Bloomfield and Glen Ridge.

Kliszus said, "We will be training all high school staff. There will be two sessions in the high school."

The training would come on one of the staff's in-service days, when students are not in class, he

Belleville Police Chief Joseph Rotonda, who heads the county Police Chiefs Association, said it would cost between \$265,000 and \$495,000 to arm each local police

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If you're looking for a wonderful new restaurant that's got something for everyone, that's healthy, nutritious, delicious and fresh. then you need to pay a visit to Aki Japanese Restaurant, 1273 Broad Bloomfield, Street. Everything is prepared to order, flavorful, and most of all, fresh and delicious. You'll be warmly greeted by owner Jenny and her staff, including Lin, who make you feel like a regular the moment

and airy, comfortable and warm. Start off with an appetizer, such as crunchy edamame, savory chicken Yakitori prepared with juicy chunks of chicken, peppers and onions, or Gyoza, Japanesestyle dumplings with a dipping sauce and sushi, the house specialty, is available as an appetizer,

All entrees are served with soup, salad and rice, and are all prepared fresh and include traditional Japanese fare such as Teriyaki, Tempura, Katsu Negimaki, and made with either tofu, chicken, beef or seafood. or a combination. Now that winter



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such as Udon soup, hearty noo-

dles with your choice of meats in

salads, as well as sushi that's themed to a particular month. The Christmas roll will be a mix of 7 different kinds of fish - tuna, salmon, yellowtail, lobster, shrimp, snow crab and crab steak with avocado and cucumber, wrapped in red and green-colored nori, and the New Year's roll will celebrate 2007 with a roll of tuna, spring mix salad, lobster salad, cucumber and avocado. The food is not just fresh and delicious, it's also beautifully prepared with attention to detail, as Jenny says, it's important to make the presentation not just taste good, but also look good.

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Around the world in 80 minutes at BHS International Night

BY RICHARD DICKON of Belleville Times

Belleville High School hosted "International Night" on Monday night, a student-centered event designed to promote multiculturalism in the schools and the community, according to officials.

The evening featured posters, ethnic music and food from approximately 25 separate countries from five social studies classes, according to officials.

Besides promoting multiculturalism, the program was designed to empower students through peer teaching. The students created displays, performed dances and songs, all in front of members of the community, to promote global awareness and fun, officials said.

Gary Klotzkin was chief coordinator of the event, which took place in the high school cafeteria. He said the inspiration for the evening came from his two stints as a Fullbright Scholar, one in Ecuador and one in Japan.

"William J. Fullbright, in the

1960s, thought it was utterly important to promote cultural awareness," Klotzkin said. "It fosters ties among countries. It's much cheaper than going to war. If we understand each other, we're much less likely to attack. I want the kids to understand this."

The live presentations included Tionna Richards, a ninth grader representing Puerto Rico and Jamaica, who sang a song titled "Unfaithful," by Rihanna.

Jhoncy Criunfel, also a ninth grader, dressed in native garb from the Dominican Republic and led participants to a table featuring Dominican information.

A third ninth grader, Greg Martins, played keyboards during the musical performances at the event. He was representing Brazil.

Other live presentations for the night included a student playing guitar while another performed the classic tune "La Bamba." There were salsa dancers, and an Ecuadorian "Hacky Sack" competition as well. One presentation involved the building of a castle.

Every country had its own booth, where attendees could sample the food of a particular country, and where students were very informative, often including posters depicting the culture of that country.

Traditional music from the different countries was played at various times during the night.

At the end of the evening, certificates were awarded to all participants.

Student Andrea Recinos was the mistress of ceremonies for the night. She explained how she ended up becoming so involved.

"I recently was involved in a peer teaching project with elementary students about Japan," Recinos said. "Everybody found out from this that I had great public speaking skills. This was a great opportunity for me."

As for spreading multiculturalism, Recinos said, "It's something everybody should experience. We live in such a diverse county. People should experience a little bit of everything."



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Jhoncy Criunfel is dressed in the garb of her native Dominican Republic.

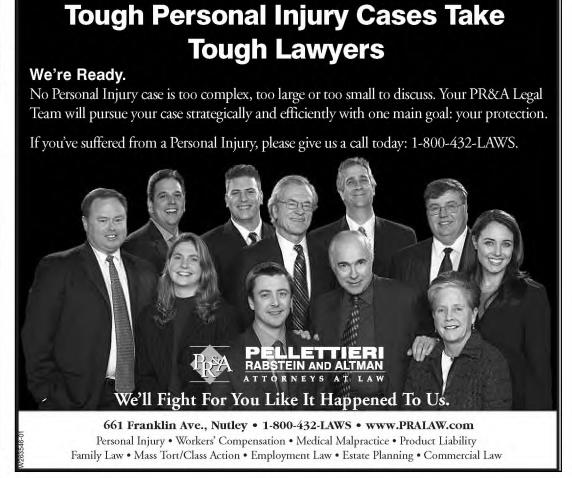


Ninth-grader Greg Martins plays keyboard music from his native Brazil during Belleville High's International Night, held Monday.



Tionna Richards displays her Puerto Rican pride through song.





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By Ellen Burke Rawls

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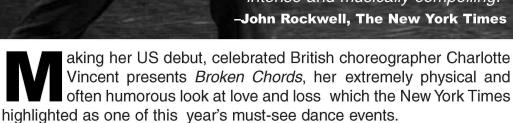
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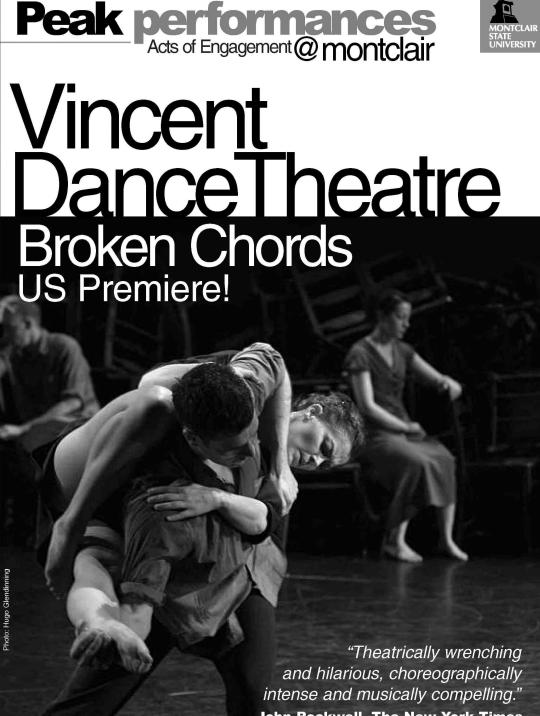
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For more information, call 973-290-2929.

Nutley Little Theatre will audithrough 8. Children must be able to sing and perform basic stage movement. An ensemble of children will be selected to play a multitude of supporting roles.

Linda DeSimon of Bloomfield

sented at Franklin Reformed Church Friday, May 18 at 8 p.m.; Saturday, May 19 at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.; and Sunday, May 20 at 2 p.m.

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ARRIVAL



Bianca Louise Vigilante

A second child, a daughter, Bianca Louise, was born to Lynn and Mike Vigilante of Nutley Jan. 17 at Hackensack University Medical Center. She joins Desiree, 5 1/2.

Grandparent is Joanne Vigilante of Nutley. Godparents are Joe and Donna Catanese of Wyckoff.

■ HOPING FOR A HOME



Star is a medium sized spayed adult cat who has tested negative for FIV and feline leukemia. Star is playful and loving and enjoys being petted and purring. Please meet Star at the Bloomfield/Bukowski Animal Shelter 973 259-0016 or ellen_powley@bloomfield.edu Hours: TuesSun noon to 4p.m.



Pebbles is a medium sized adult female, boxer/terrier mix. She is very active and loves to play. Pebbles is sweet and likes people. Please meet her at the Bloomfield/Bukowski Animal Shelter.



Smokey is a medium-sized adult male cat who was found wandering outside a fast food restaurant. He had an upper respiratory infection, but is healthy now and available for adoption. Please visit Smokey and see if he would be a good fit in your household.

■ WEDDING



Jennifer Fortunato bride of Gil Broyer

Jennifer Fortunato, daughter of Carmen and Janet Fortunato of Belleville, was married July 3, 2006 to Gil Broyer, son of Mrs. Rina Boyer of Murray Hill.

Judge Dennis Carey performed the outdoor civil ceremony at the Knoll Country Club West, Parsippany. A reception followed.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Her sister, Brenda Fortunato, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids included Jennifer Coelho, Lauren Concar, Dana Fiore, Jennifer Mess and Michelle Petz. Flower girl was the bride's niece, Julia Fortunato.

Zach Broyer, brother of the groom, served as best man. Ushering were Bart Branski, Joe Coppola, Carmen Fortunato, Nick Frankos and Mike Richardson.

Mrs. Broyer, an alumna of Rutgers University, earned a master's in teaching from Montclair State University. She is a teacher at Southern Boulevard Elementary School in Chatham.

Mr. Broyer, also a graduate of Rutgers University, received a graduate degree in finance from Seton Hall University. He is a senior government contract manager at Schering Plough Pharmaceutical, Kenilworth.

The couple is living in New Providence after honeymooning in Hawaii.

■ RECIPES

Crab Meat Wedges

61/2 oz. can crab meat 1 stick butter or margarine (room temperature)

1 tsp. garlic powder

1 tsp. mayonnaise 1 jar Old English cheese spread (5 oz.) 6 English muffins

Mix above ingredients.
Arrange opened muffins (12 halves) on a cookie sheet.
Spread mixture on muffins and place in freezer on cookie sheet.
When frozen, cut each muffin half into eight wedges. Arrange wedges on cookie sheet and broil three to five minutes or store wedges in freezer in Ziplock bag until ready to use.

St. Paul's Cookbook

Cheese Squares

1/2 pound margarine or butter
1/2 pound extra sharp cheddar cheese
8 ounces cream cheese
2 egg whites
2 loaves Penneridge Farm thin sliced

2 loaves Pepperidge Farm thin sliced white bread

Melt first three ingredients in double boiler. Fold in beaten egg whites. Remove crusts from bread. Cut each slice into fourths. Pile mixture on each one. Put on cookie sheet and place under broiler until puffed up and slightly brown. They can be frozen and removed and broiled when ready to serve.

St. Paul's Cookbook

I've got a go-getter for a daughter-in-law

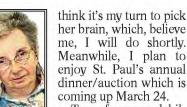
Bits and pieces.

Gavin's wife, Amy, is a real go-getter. Witness this incident. The couple is in the midst of putting their townhouse in Georgia up for sale. In the few years they have been married, they, like all the rest of us, have accumulated lots of stuff, including the incredible amount which accompanies a baby. They are engaged in putting their home into "show-off" shape but still have a ways to go.

Did that stop Amy? Not at all. Standing outside the other day, she noticed people looking at the townhouse next to theirs which is already up for sale. And heard one of them say "I really want an end unit." Guess who lives in an end unit? You're right. She invited them in, first apologizing for the disarray. I don't know what the final outcome was, but I'll call Alpharetta and find out.

A couple of years ago, when Gavin and Amy's church was having financial difficulties, he asked if I had any suggestions for raising some cash. A dinner combined with a talent and goods auction is a great way to bring in some money I said, but it's a lot of work. He took me at my word and soon found the two of them chairing the whole deal. He took care of the auction part, she the food. The second year, they repeated the fundraiser with even better results. And vowed never to do it again. Oh, really?

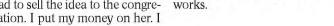
I wasn't a bit surprised to hear that Amy had revamped the whole thing for this year, laid all the plans out in detail and only had to sell the idea to the congregation. I put my money on her. I



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papers service. My four children were born in Belleville, most of us live in Nutley, four of the next generation came into the world in Glen Ridge and Erin will graduate in May from Bloomfield College. How's that for spreading things around?

The other night, I resurrected an old reply which I had used successfully several years ago when my neighbor's daughter, born with Downs Syndrome, would engage me in conversation. I usually understood a few words of what she was saying and utilized "How about that?" when a break in her stream of words required some reply. She was satisfied and I was relieved of the strain of having to understand everything, she said. Frank, going to the circus with his family, was excited about the upcoming trip and wanted to tell Mema all about it. At three, his words are sometimes hard to understand, combined with the fact that he talks very fast. The only four words I "got" were circus, clowns, horses and brudda (brother). I used a lot of "How about that?" before he hung up. Try it. It works.



Ink cartridges sought for charitable donation

The Nutley School district is working with the Nutley Family Service Bureau to help kick off its Empty Ink Cartridge Drive.

Each of the schools will have a collection box at the front office where students, parents, teachers and other school personnel can drop off their used ink cartridges.

Instead of throwing away empty printer, fax machine or copier cartridges, the Nutley Family Service Bureau will collect the items and give the cartridges to a recycler to receive funds to help support this organization.

To help kick start the campaign, the Nutley school district will support the efforts by collecting all of the district's empty ink cartridges for the next several months

Additionally, the school administration is asking parents, students and school staff to col-

lect cartridges from their homes, other family members' offices and friends and bring them to one of the school collection points, the Nutley Family Service Bureau offices at 155 Chestnut St. or Parkway Auto Body at 95 Park Ave

For questions regarding the program call Myrna Rivera at (973) 662-9000.

Volunteers are needed

The Friends of the Bloom-field/Bukowski Animal Shelter (FoBAS) needs volunteers.

For more information and/or an application, e mail fobas @comcast.net or call Pat at 732-350-7502.

Of birthdays, banjos and the Belleville HS fundraiser



Hey all you BHS Seniors residing in The Lake, mosey on down to the Guidance Office and get your 2007 SLCA Scholarship Applications. You know the ole' saying,

you must be in it to win it.

The SLCA will again present their annual dinner-dance at the Chandelier Restaurant. A family style dinner with all the fixings can be yours if you attend. The music, well it will be phenomenal. Music by Jersey Sound will perform their doo-wop and oldies music and an extra-added feature will be added. Music by Denise.

A voice like a songbird. There will be continuous music throughout the evening. And we all know that our Cash Raffle will be drawn

with three great cash prizes. It will be an evening to remember! Mark your calendar for Friday, May 11 at

Wait, for all that, the cost will be \$60 per person. Call the Angel for

Did you hear that on Friday, March 16 at 1 p.m., at the Main Library on Washington Avenue, in honor of St. Patrick's Day, the Banjo Rascals will delight the audience of all ages with a variety of toe-tapping music. They have entertained for clients like IKEA, Saks Fifth

Avenue, Bloomingdales and Samsung and have performed, as well, on the QE2, at the New York Stock Exchange and the Yale Club. As the Friends of the Library say, "Grab a Friend and Join in the

Happy Birthday to Joseph Conte on his 79th birthday celebrated on March 4.

Now, Joe, who doesn't look a day over 70 is one of my wife's favorites and one hellava guy. Birthday wishes also go out to Marie Gamarro on Mary 6th and

Mickey Bocchino on March 7th Their ages, they are not 'tellin'.

Strike Up The Music, The Band Will be Here! At our April 3 meeting of the Silver Lake Civic Association, we will celebrate the birthday of Madeline Boyelli of I day of Madeline Rovelli of Lake Street. This youngster hit her 98th Birthday on March 10th. Birthday on March 10th.

Pay a visit to the SLCA's sign-Pay a visit to the SLCA's signboard on Franklin Street to see Madeline's name in lights.

And remember, we love Silver Lake!

hop-hopping

e March 31

Belleville Recreation play program now accepting enrollees

The Belleville Recreation 2007-2008 Pre School Play Program will begin Monday, Sept. 17 and runs through Thursday, May 22. The fee is \$175.

The program consists of games, stories, songs, art, outside play when weather permits, short rest periods and occasional holiday parties especially designed for preschool children, The objective is non-academic.

A morning session is from 9 to 10:45 a.m. five days a week with class limited to a maximum of 20

The parents of the children accepted must participate by serving one duty day about every eight or nine days according to a published schedule.

Failure to comply will preclude the child from qualifying for the

An afternoon session from 12:45 to 2:30 is also offered with the same guidelines.

Note: a.m. session will take preference over p.m. session if it becomes necessary to cancel a program due to lack of interest. A minimum of 10 children must enroll in each session to avoid cancellation.

Eligibility: Children born between Octo-ber 2002 and September 2003 who will enter kindergarten in September 2008 are eligible. Participants must be Belleville residents. Children and their parents must be able to speak and understand English in order to participate. Since there are just a limited number of openings, applications will be accept-

ed on a first come-first served basis only! A \$25 deposit must accompany your initial application to hold a spot in the pro-

The fee balance must be paid at the parents' meeting to be held in early September. Other information pertinent to enrollment/registration will be sent to you the week of Aug. 6.

Children may attend only one session the year before entering kindergarten when they are four years old. The same child cannot attend both the morning and afternoon sessions.

Applications accepted after the first 20 students are registered will go on a waiting list and will be given consideration only in the case of someone deciding not to

Easter Bunny is hop-hop-hopping into Nutley, Belleville March 31

The Nutley-Belleville Columbus Day Parade Committee as part of their 25th Anniversary Celebration is sponsoring an Easter BunnyFest. As part of the BunnyFest an egg drawing coloring contest is being held in each grammar school in both towns from kidnergarten to grade 3. One winner will be selected from each school. The winners will receive a basket filled with assorted goodies personally delivered by the Easter Bunny. Entries are due by Friday March 23. On Saturday March 31 the Easter

Bunny will be appearing at the Belleville Recreation House 407 Joralemon St. from 10am to 12 noon and at the Nutley Red Cross building 169 Chestnut St. from 1pm to 3pm. Children are invited to bring in their decorated eggs to be judged by the Easter Bunny. Prizes will be awarded for the best decorated eggs. There will be small gifts and balloons for all children. Bring your own camera to take pictures with the Easter Bunny or you can have your picture taken by a bunny helper for a \$2. donation.

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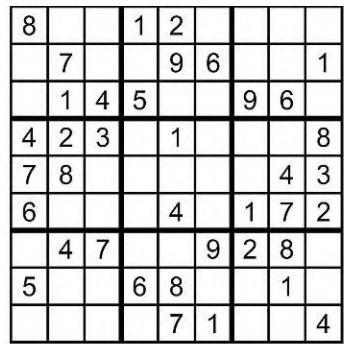
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For the answer to this week's puzzle, turn to the classified section.



BHS ALUMNI NEWS

Belleville native Roll named A.D. at Paramus

Former Bucs hoop coach to head NNJIL school starting April 13

BY MIKE LAMBERTI for Belleville Times

Former Belleville High boys basketball coach Donald Roll has been named the new Athletic Director at Paramus High School.

Roll, 46, has a long history with Belleville. He was graduated from Belleville High in 1978 and later had a successful run as a head basketball coach and Physical Education teacher at Belleville. Roll coached the Bucs from 1986 through 1997 after serving as an assistant to Joe Papasidero in 1984 and Rocco Collucci (1985).

Roll is currently the A.D. at Ft. Lee High School, a position he has held since 2002. The chance to move to an NNJIL school with excellent athletic facilities appealed to Roll. He will begin at Parmaus on April 13.

"Ft. Lee gave me a wonderful opportunity, and I'll always be grateful," Roll said. "But when I saw the opportunity to apply for the Paramus job, it was a chance I had to take. It's almost like coming home again, since I coached in the NNIIL for 11 years while at Belleville and now, I get to work as very productive. with coaches I knew from my

Roll began his coaching tenure at Kearny High School as an assistant boys basketball coach in 1982. After two seasons there, he was hired at his alma mater as an assistant coach and two years later, was named the head coach. In Roll's 11 seasons, he guided Belleville to the state tournament three times, including a berth in the sectional semifinals in 1992. Belleville finished at .500 or better three times, which in the very rugged NNJIL is a noted accomplishment.

After stepping down as coach after the 1996-97 season, Roll took a head coaching and teaching position at Passaic Valley in Little Falls and immediately helped that program up the ladder, including the conference's Coach of the Year award in 1999.

After Passaic Valley, Roll coached at Elmwood Park, leading that school to success in the state tournament. After a year at Elmwood Park, he moved into an administrative position at Ft. Lee, reluctantly giving up coaching.

Roll defined his years at Ft. Lee

"I learned so much during my week's Buc Shots.

coaching days and in a league that I'm very familiar with." time there," Roll said. "The administration was very supportive and the programs were all well received by the community. During my time there, the athletic programs showed improvement and I have to say I had a very good rapport with the Athletic Directors in the BCSL (Bergen County Scholastic League). That's one of the things I'll miss when I leave Ft. Lee, the rapport with the ADs. It was a great relationship and I hope to have that same relationship at Paramus."

Roll is hoping for a long run at Paramus.

"I love being an Athletic Director, and I hope this is where I spend the rest of my career," Roll said. "Paramus is a beautiful community with tremendous facilities. From what I can tell, there's a lot of parental support. I enjoy working with kids and helping them with their future endeavors in athletics."

Roll and his wife Cristina reside in Nutley. Roll's mother, Audrey, is a life long resident of Belleville, where she continues working for the township's Recreation Depart-

There is more on Roll in this

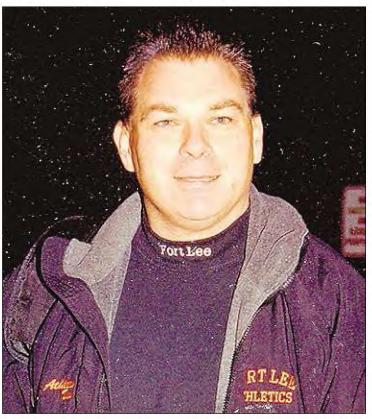


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Roll will do good job at Paramus

Don Roll knew at a young age what he wanted to do.

The Belleville High graduate had just begun college at Kean University in 1978 and it was clear the young man wanted to coach and mentor athletes. Roll focused on a teaching career at Kean and immediately began working on his craft when he took an assistant boys basketball coaching position at Kearny High while still in college.

It wasn't long before Roll took the short drive back home, returning to his alma mater two years later as an assistant coach and Physical Education teacher at Belleville High in the 1983-84 school year. After working as an assistant to Joe Papasidero that year and Rocco Collucci the following season, Roll was named head coach for the 1986-87 campaign at Belleville and put together one of the longest terms in that position in Belleville High history, working for 11 years.

He was recently named the Athletic Director at Paramus and will assume his new job this April 13. For the past five years, Roll has served as the A.D. at Ft. Lee.



BUC SHOTS MIKE LAMBERTI

Roll's love for basketball was evident when he was a player at Belleville High for coach Danny Grasso from 1975 through 1978. If there was a defining moment in Roll's basketball career at Belleville, it came in the 1977-78 season opener, when the Bellboys hosted Montclair.

Roll was the quintessential sixth man at Belleville. When Grasso would put him into a game, his job was to battle for rebounds, hit his jump shots and do whatever it took to help his team win. So when Roll dove for a loose ball and found a young man named Craig Dunn from Montclair on the other end of that ball, he never wavered.

Understand that Dunn was a 6'6", 245 pound muscle machine, a football phenom at Montclair who was heading to Ohio State

the following autumn. Many players might have given way to that ball when Dunn had his hands wrapped around it, but Roll wouldn't hear of it. The two battled for the ball, and when the whistle blew, Roll was, in essence, by himself as the crowd sensed a possible brawl.

"I'll never forget that," Roll said with a laugh recently. "(Dunn) was huge. I remember he was staring at me, and my teammates, pretty tough guys like Tommy Smith, Joe Salters, Paul Donohue, Mark Veniero and Dean Campana, were pretty much telling me 'you're own your own with this

To Roll's credit, he didn't back away, and after a moment for both sides to cool off and shake hands, the official called a jump ball and the game went on without incident.

"I'm glad he (Dunn) was a good sport," Roll said. "But that was the way we were taught to play by coach Grasso. You play hard, and hopefully I was able to teach my players the same thing."

Roll had a good run at Belleville, then moved on to Passaic Valley for a few years, where he helped that program regroup. It was at Passaic Valley that Roll had a chance to work with a former player who aspired to be a coach in Mike Powers. The two moved on to Elmwood Park, where Roll coached for a season before moving on to Ft. Lee as the Athletic Director, a job he will continue to hold before becoming the new Athletic Director at Paramus on April 13.

Roll's relationship with Powers was indeed special. The two became close friends after Powers graduated Belleville. When Roll left Elmwood Park, he recommended his top assistant for the job, and Powers excelled, leading Elmwood Park to a sectional championship and a berth in the Group 1 semifinals.

A few years back. Powers went to the doctor for what he thought would be a routine check up, but instead found out he had cancer.

"I'll never forget that," Roll said. "I was driving and Mike called me and said he had cancer. It was right before the start of the basketball season and Mike was offering to step down as my assistant, and I said no way."

Powers battled through chemotherapy for two years at Elmwood Park. His courage and commitment to his players was legendary. Powers passed away in 2003, but Roll noted he is still a big part of his life.

"Mike is always there in my heart," Roll said. "It's guys like him, Rich Baker and Tommy Bianchi who worked with me and helped me to become a better coach.

"I also have to thank (former Belleville High Superintendent of Schools) Dr. Joseph Ciccone, who was so supportive of me when I was at Belleville. He treated all of us very well, and his support went a long way in my improving as a teacher and coach."

One of Roll's biggest supporters is his mother, Audrey, a long time employee in Belleville's Recreation Department.

"She's always been there for me," Roll said. "I know she's happy for me, and that means a lot."

Good luck to Roll on his new job at Paramus. He will be an asset to that school, and the NNJIL.

James Corino Sr.: The father of 1,000 Victories

BY MIKE LAMBERTI for Belleville Times

The Father of 1,000 Victories departed this life on Monday.

James Corino Sr., battled illness in his later years with the same vigor he applied to his daily life. The father of three sons, Corino was predeceased by his wife, Jenny, who passed away in 1989.

Corino's sons, James, Carl and Mark have all enjoyed successful coaching careers.

James Jr., the eldest son, was the first to begin coaching, turning a downtrodden boys basketball program at Lyndhurst High into a state power in the late 1970s and early 80s.

Youngest son, Mark continues to coach on the collegiate level at Caldwell College. The Athletic Director at the NCAA, Division II school, Mark Corino coached at Bloomfield College from 1984 through 1988 before moving to Caldwell.

Mr. Corino's middle son, Carl, is probably best known to the Belleville sports fan. For 25 years, Carl served as Belleville's softball coach, leading the Bucs to over 500 wins.

He ranks third, all time, in New Jersey in victories. Prior to coaching softball, Carl was a successful football coach at Belleville.

Combined the three Corino brothers compiled over 1,000 victories, with Mark still actively coaching.

During the heyday of the Corino's coaching days, Mr. Corino was always a presence. Whether it be a Lyndhurst basketball game, or a Belleville softball contest, Mr. Corino was always there, serving as the rock of the family.

When Mr. Corino's dear wife passed away in 1989, he found the strength to carry on in the form of his sons and grandchildren. A compassionate man, who always had a smile for anyone he spoke with, he spent his winters in Flori-



BUC SHOTS MIKE LAMBERTI

da as one of his sons would drive him down and later pick him up for his return to his beloved

In his later years, as he battled illness, Mr. Corino's trips to Florida weren't as frequent, but his zest for life never wavered. Whenever possible, he'd be at an athletic event that one of his sons was

Belleville has lost a class act, but in God's plan, He has reunited Mr. and Mrs. Corino to a place where victory is common and defeat an afterthought.





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Thank you, Mr. Corino, for being the man you were and for authoring those 1,000 wins.



Jersey Sound will appear at BHS band fundraiser

Jersey Sound, the popular eightpiece band with roots in Belleville, Nutley, and Newark, will headline a fund-raising concert Saturday, March 31, in the Belleville High School auditorium. The high school's talented jazz ensemble the founders of Jersey Sound. will open for Jersey Sound at 7 p.m. and 60s. Members of the band have played with the Duprees, Pat-Daniels, and Dee Dee Warwick. The group has been a favorite for years at night clubs, park concerts, and special events around the

"Music has always been an important part of our lives and we're thrilled to be able to support the Belleville music program," said Phil Bruno, a 1972 graduate of Belleville High School and one of

Proceeds from the concert will Jersey Sound's play list is an be used to purchase band equipanthology of favorites from the 50s ment and uniforms for the Belleville High School band as well as pay for fees and travel ty Loveless, Etta James, Charlie expenses associated with band competitions.

The award-winning Belleville High School jazz ensemble will perform as the opening act. Many of the members of the jazz ensemble are seniors and will continue studying music in college after they graduate in June.

Tickets to the fund-raising concert are \$25. To purchase tickets in advance, please send a check, made payable to BHSMBA, to: Jersey Sound Live!, c/o BHS Band, P.O. Box 51, Nutley, NJ, 07110. Please include your name, address, and telephone number. Tickets will be mailed to you. Tickets can also be purchased at the door on the night of the event.

Belleville High School is located at 100 Passaic Avenue in Belleville. For questions, call 973-751-6879, or visit www.bmpa.8k.com.

E-mail is quicker

The deadline for press releases and photos submitted to the Belleville Times for upcoming community events is the Thursday before the publication date. For quicker results copy and photos can be e-mailed to bellevilletimes@northjersey.com.

SPORTS UPDATES

Tennis anyone?

Ad-In Kids will be offering a free tennis clinic for children ages 3-8 on Monday April 2 from 1:30-5:30 p.m. and Tuesday April 3 at St. John's Episcopal Church, 55 Montclair Avenue. The clinic hopes to help kids build social skills, motor skills and hand-eye coordination through fun and choreographed age-appropriate drills that have an emphasis on

Ad-In Kids tennis for children is designed to build confidence and self esteem and at the same time create a positive experience with tennis.

Children are having a good time without even realizing that they are learning. Students will play and enjoy educational games and that engage the imagination while learning the fundamentals of tennis. The skills they develop are not often explored with this age group and the results are phenomenal.

For further information about Ad-In Kids, contact Linda Denis at 866-842-1324 or visit adinkids.com and a download a registration form.

14U softball tryouts

The East Coast Tsunami Girls Fast Pitch Softball 14U team is holding tryouts in our winter facility in Fairfield, New Jersey Call Coach Rich at 973-600-7125 for dates and times.

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.

Senior softball

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

If you will be 50 or older during 2007 and are in interested, contact Tony Ciavatta at 973-593-0059.

The league is also looking for men to play in the 60 and over

Softball players wanted

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Is your home medicine cabinet safe?

An annual study by the National Institute on Drug Abuse conducted at the end of 2006 indicated that while the number of teens drinking alcohol and using illegal drugs declined over the last year, the number who are getting high on common medicine cabinet products and prescription drugs has increased. More teens are passing on the neighborhood drug pushers and looking in their home medicine cabinets instead.

Commonly abused drugs include ADHD medications such as Ritalin and over-the-counter cough and cold medicines that contain ingredients responsible for hallucinations and feelings of euphoria if taken in high enough doses. Enterprising teens even share charts and recipes that tell others how much of a drug is needed to produce the desired high based on the users' height and weight.

One may have noticed that many common cold medications have been moved behind the pharmacy counter or have been reformulated as of late. That is largely due to the content of the decongestant pseudoephedrine in many of these products. Pseudoephedrine is an effective nasal decongestant but it can also be used to make methamphetamine. As a public health precaution, many states have mandated that products containing pseudoephedrine be moved behind the pharmacy counter and purchases are restricted by age and quantity.

Other drug manufacturers who recognize the public's reluctance to go to the counter for cold medication have reformulated products with substitute phenylephrine, or PE. Some argue that the reformulations aren't as effective.

Still other cold medications that are available in the pharmaceutical aisle are being abused. These cold medicines contain the drug dextromethorphan, or DXM, which is not as restricted as pseudoephedrine. When DXM is used legitimately it treats cold or allergy symptoms. However, when taken in high doses the drug can cause hallucinations and a sense of dissociation. Its effects last up to six hours. Many teens call this abuse "Robotripping," which gets its name from Robitussin® cough syrups that contain DXM.

Other teens are abusing common attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) drugs, such as Ritalin. A Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report in 2006 stated that 25 deaths, 19 of them children, have been linked to ADHD drugs. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has acknowledged that psychiatric drugs can cause suicide, homicidal ideation, mania, psychosis, heart attack, stroke and sudden death. The abuse of methylphenidate (Ritalin) has become a major problem. It acts much like cocaine and many teens are injecting or snorting it. The drug now sells for \$5 to \$10 a pill on the black market and is sometimes called "Vitamin R," "Rball," and the "poor man's cocaine."

It is a common misconception that prescription or over-thecounter drugs are generally safer than illegal ones. Under careful dosage, these drugs may be safe for their intended prescription. However, overdosing can lead to many problems. For example, high doses of DXM can cause increased body temperatures, irregular heartbeat, high blood pressure, loss of consciousness, seizure, brain damage, and death. Other effects include nausea, abdominal pain, vomiting, headache, numbness of fingers and toes, confusion, impaired judgment, blurred vision, dizziness, paranoia, excessive sweating, and slurred speech.

Chances are, even if your teen isn't abusing these drugs, he or she knows about them. As a precaution, it pays to be on the lookout for the aforementioned drug effects and for other telltale signs. You can also take other measures to deter abuse, courtesy of KidsHealth.org:

 Lock your medicine cabinet or keep over-the-counter (OTC) medicines that could potentially be abused in a less accessible place.

■ Avoid stockpiling OTC medicines. Having too many OTC medications at your teen's disposal could make abusing them more tempting.

■ Keep an eve out for not only traditional-looking cough and cold remedies in your teen's room, but also strange-looking tablets (DXM is often sold on the Internet and at raves in its pure form in various shapes and colors).

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Gilda V. Molinari

A funeral mass was held for Gilda V. Molinari, on Mar. 12 at St. Thomas Apostle Church in Bloomfield. Mrs. Molinari died on Mar. 7, surrounded by her family.

She was born in Newark and later lived in Nutley and Toms River. She graduated from Clara Maass Hospital and later earned

State College. After tenure as a New Jersey Professional Women's Head Charge Nurse in Obstetrics at Clara Maass, she became the first school nurse in the Belleville school system.

As a pioneer in the Head Start School Program she met and conferred with Lady Bird Johnson. She served as treasurer for the Holy Rosary Nursery Guild. A lifelong advocate for women's higher eduher B.S. degree from Jersey City cation, she was a member of the

Association.

She is survived by two daughters and their husbands; Alberta and Joseph Cavallo, and Leslie and Anthony Auriemma, and will always be "Nanny" to grandchildren Dr. Joseph L. Cavallo, Janine Cavallo-Calzada, Tracey Pechman and Toni Ann Auriemma and great-grandsons Zachary, Jacob and Jared Pechman.

Elsie Fliker

A funeral service was held for Elise Fliker, of Belleville on March 6 by Bernheim Apter Kreutzman, Livingston.

Mrs. Fliker passed away on March 3, from a massive heart attack.

Born on Nov. 1, 1916, in Manhattan, she was a genuine member of the greatest generation. Throughout her life, she displayed the courage and fortitude that is the hallmark of cohort. Mrs. Fliker held an R.N. BA from NJCU where she graduated second in her class. She also held a master's degree from graduate school in NYU.

She will be remembered as the school nurse in the Belleville school system as well as a successful businesswoman.

She is survived by her son Michael Osias Albertine, her daughter Julie Ann Levin, her sister Estelle F. Greenberg, grandchildren Michael James Albertine, Stephen Carlo Albertine, and Aaron Victor Levin as well as many nieces and nephews.

Carmella Fondetta

A funeral service was held for Carmella Fondetta (nee Longo), 84, March 9 in the Caggiano Memorial, Montclair.

Mrs. Fondetta died at her home in Belleville on March 5

Born and raised in Montclair, Mrs. Fondetta moved to Belleville 40 years ago. She was the hatcheck girl at the Claremont Diner in Verona for many years.

Mrs. Fondetta was predeceased by her husband, Patsy Fondetta, and her son, Patsy Fondetta Jr.; her brothers, Angelo and Anthony Longo, and one sister, Lucia Codella.

She is survived by her sisters, Angelina DeSimone, Josephine Fabio, Vincenza DiBella and Marie Gudger.

Edwin Cragin

A funeral service for Edwin Cragin was held on Mar. 11 at the S.W. Brown & Son Funeral Home.

Mr. Cragin, 78, of Belleville, died on Mar. 8.

Born in Newark, he lived in Belleville for most of his life. He was a truck driver for Anderson Trucking in Bloomfield for 20 years before retiring 18 years ago.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Ivy (Arata) Cragin; his daughters, Deborah Helfrich, Beverly Bednarczyk and her husband John, and Doreen Spano; his sisters, Loretta Cragin and Doris Mc Cleary; his brother, Peter Cragin and his grandchildren, Jacqueline, Edwin, Natalie and William.



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Bethany Lutheran Church

Irish Night at Bethany

The Men in Mission of Bethany Lutheran Church will host a traditional corned beef and cabbage dinner with all the trimmings this Saturday, Mar. 17, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the church hall. Admission is \$11 for adults, \$9 for seniors and teens and \$6 for children under 12. Everyone is welcome to attend this special annual dinner! Call the church with any questions.

Lenten Thursdays

Mid-week worship services during Lent are held at Bethany Lutheran Church at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday evenings. Everyone is welcome. Call the church for more information.

Bible Study

The Reverend Nancy S. Moore, pastor of Bethany Lutheran Church on Joralemon and New Streets in Belleville, conducts Bible Study classes on alternate Tuesdays at Bethany and at First Lutheran Church on Oakwood Street in Kearny. 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 parking lot).

Iglesia Luterana

Bethany Lutheran Church celebrates a unique and popular Luterana" - every Sunday evening at 5 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. every Tuesday. 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 worship service. 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, Kearny (enter through the back 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, Lutheran Latino service - "Iglesia Belleville, and the phone number is 973-759-1555.

Fewsmith Memorial Presbyterian Church

What? Me? Invite someone to church?

On Mar. 18, from 1 to 3 p.m., Fewsmith Memorial Presbyterian Church will have a discussion and forum entitled, "What? Me? Invite someone to church?" held in the parlor of the church.

What are we really saying when we invite someone to come to church? We will be sharing what coming to church means to us and then discovering what it would mean to someone else. A national survey was conducted. Research from responses from growing churches will be compared with the responses from declining churches. You might be surprised at the results. Jesus says to us, "Follow me!" Does that mean we are following him when we are coming into church or finding new directions to take when we leave the church on Sunday morning? What is Evangelism? What is Discipleship? What are we to do? The discussion and forum is open to all.

Lenten Breakfast Series

On Wednesday, Mar. 21, Fewsmith Memorial Church will host its fifth Lenten breakfast. The guest speaker will be the Rev. Dr. Grace Chung, minister of Wesley Methodist Church, Belleville. Dr. Chung received her Master of Divinity from Drew University in 1988. She became ordained minister in 1993. Dr. Chung then received her Doctor of Ministry from Drew University in 1998. She has served as pastor at Methodist churches in North Bergen, Lyndhurst and Passaic. She became the minister of Wesley Church in July 2006. Her husband is also a minister. Dr. Chung will offer us a brief meditation on "The Empty Tomb."

The members of Fewsmith have been hosting the Lenten breakfast series since 1962. They are organized by the Fewsmith Worship Committee, which is made up strictly of volunteers. The meal includes eggs, bacon, sausage, cold cereal, toast, or sweet breads, coffee, tea and juice.

For a suggested donation of \$4 for adults and \$2 for children, guests will receive a hearty meal for the body and spiritual food-forthought. All are welcome! Breakfast begins at 6:50 a.m. and ends promptly at 7:30 a.m. For more information, call the church office at 973-759-6869.

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

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

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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

Free movie "Facing the Giants"

Ioin us for a showing of this great football film that's more about life than about sports, on Wednesday, March 28, at 7:30 p.m.

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"Facing the Giants," movie discussion and study

Whether or not you saw the film, "Facing the Giants," you'll be enriched by this discussion-based Bible study on topics like faith, endurance, disappointment and encouragement on Wednesday, Apr.4, at 7 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Study

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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

Lenten Quiet Day

Saturday, Mar. 17, from 2 to 6 p.m., will be a mid-Lenten Quiet Day. The quiet day, called "Meeting God in the Desert Places of Our Lives," is a time to come away from daily life for a period of prayer and meditation, will be led by the Rev. Randy Webster, Curate of Christ Church. The afternoon will conclude with a quiet Eucharist and light supper. The event is open to the public.

Observance of St. Joseph's Day

Sunday, Mar. 18 following the 10 a.m. mass will be Christ Church's observance of St. Joseph's Day. Traditionally Italian families set a table for the Feast of St. Joseph (who's feast day is Mar. 19) with a statue of St. Joseph and laden with food, neighbors, friends and the poor were invited in to celebrate on the patron saint of the poor. Guests of the Mary and Martha Soup Kitchen will be our honored guests. The luncheon will open to the public at no charge.

The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe

On Wednesday, Mar. 28, Christ Church will be showing "The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe," for its Lenten movie series. The evening activity begins with a quiet Eucharist at 6:30 p.m. followed by a light supper and the movieviewing. The event is open to the public.

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Essex Co. Mobile Welfare Van

The Mobile Office Van from the Essex County Department of Citizen Services, Division of Welfare, will be in Belleville at the Church on Monday, Mar. 26 from noon to

Applications can be taken for the Food Stamp Program, various Medicaid programs such as Family Care and for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families. Services of other divisions within the Department of Citizen Services, including the Division on Aging and the Division of Community Action, will also be taken.

For information call the Essex County Department of Citizen Services at 973-733-3326.

Care Closet

The Care Closet, an outreach program of Christ Episcopal Church, has announced its January distribution day for Monday, Mar. 26, beginning at 3 p.m. until all of the supplies are exhausted.

The Care Closet distributes Anniversary Masses packages of paper products, cleaning products, and personal hygiene items to persons with Families First cards. The parish is always receiving gifts of individually wrapper paper towels, facial tissue and toilet tissue. Additionally volunteers are always welcome both for the preparation of the bags and on distribution day. For more information please phone the parish.

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 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). For more information about any of these events, call 973-

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.

St. Mary's Church

Blood Drive

Mark your calendar for the second annual blood drive at The Phoenix Center, across the street from St. Mary's, on Wednesday, Apr. 4, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Lenten Mission: Christians in the Eyes of Jesus

On Fr. Richard J. Kehoe, C.M., will host the annual Lenten mission from Monday Mar. 26 to Thursday, Mar.29. Each session will take place at 7:30 p.m. in Church and will combine prayers, lectures and uplifting music all designed to spark encouragement, repentance, and compassion.

Bereavement Counseling Training Course

Are you interested in becoming part of the ministry to the bereaved? An eight-week training program is being offered by the office of Family Life Ministries. For info, call 973-497-4327. Pre-registration is required.

Archdiocesan celebration of your wedding anniversary at the Cathedral Basilica in Newark. Golden anniversaries (50th) and beyond will be honored on March 25 for Essex and Union Counties and on April 15 for Bergen and Hudson Counties. All Masses are at 3 p.m. To register, call the parish office at 973-235-1100.

Bereavement Series

St. Mary's Church will begin an eight-week Bereavement Support program. The group will meet each Tuesday up to Apr. 3 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Parish Center (directly across from the church entrance). Those grieving the loss of a loved one are invited to attend this series and learn more about the grief process. Experience prayer and support in a spiritual setting to grow in faith and hope for the future. Please contact Patricia Little at 973-235-0234.

Retrouvaille

Marriage is about love and anniversary dinners. But it is also about balancing budgets, housekeeping and dealing with children. Retrouvaille ("Rediscovery") is You are invited to join in the designed to provide help and sup-

port 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 201-488-2600.

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

Holy Family Church

Holy Family Rosary Society

We will hold our second annual Fry Fish Dinner tomorrow,

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March 16, at the Holy Family gym- 21 nasium. Proceeds from this dinner will be used to help support the Holy Family Rosary Society. For tickets, call Anna Frino at 973-661-1229 or Debbie Riccio at 973-667-

Foreign exchange students needs your help

grade female student from Germany needs a host home immediately until June 2007. Please Guidance Counselor Mary Fallucca if you can be of assistance. Mary can be reached at 973-661-8838, 973-800-0139 and 973-667-1316.

Centennial news: our journey continues ...

In 2009, Holy Family will be commemorating the anniversary of its establishment. The celebration begins October 2008 and concludes December N 2009. As we prepare for that o anniversary, many celebrations are being planned. To help offset our expenses, we will have four second

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*PLEASE NOTE: Items for Area Events must reach our office by 3 p.m. the Friday before the publication date. Publication depends on space available. Dial area code 973 on listed phone numbers, unless otherwise noted.

NEW THIS WEEK

Bus Trip to Clinton and Flemington, NJ, The Women's Ŋ Auxiliary of OLMC have planned a trip to the town of Clinton where you may visit the Red Mill Museum Village, The Hunterdon Museum of Art or browse in the shops on Main St. After a short drive to Flemington we will have lunch at Teaberry's Tea Room and time for shopping at Liberty

Village Factory Outlets. The bus departs from Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, 120 Prospect St., Nutley, on Wednesday, Apr. 25, at 9 a.m. with an approximate return time of 5 p.m. Price of \$25 includes lunch, transportation and all gratuities. For additional information or reservations, call Linda at 661-0090.

Annual Texas Roast dinner/goods and talent auction, on Mar. 24, at 5 p.m., St.

Paul's Church, Franklin Ave. at St. Paul's Pl., Nutley. Prices are \$15 for adults and \$7.50 for kids ages 4-10. For tickets call, 973-661-2006 ASAP.

The Holy Family Rosary Society, will hold its next meeting on Mar. 26, at 7:45 p.m., in St Joseph's Center. Our evening will consist of making Easter Baskets for the Oncology Children.

Rummage sale, at Glen Ridge Congregational Church -Women's Association, 195 Ridgewood Ave., on Friday, Mar. 23, from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday, Mar. 24, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. All proceeds are donated to local charities. For more information, call 743-5596.

Annual Argyle Fish and Chips

Dinner, at Grace Episcopal Church, 200 Highfield Lane, Nutley on Friday Mar. 23, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. There will be continuous seating, eat-in or take-out. Advance ticket sales are \$12 for adults and \$7 for children.

Tickets purchased at the door are \$15 for adults and \$10 for children. For more information, call 235-1177.

Rummage and treasure sale, at St. John's Lutheran Church, 216 Liberty St., Bloomfield on Mar. 16 (tomorrow) from 7 to 9 p.m., Mar. 17 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mar. 23 from 7 to 9 p.m. and Mar. 24 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Proceeds to profit the organ fund.

AARP West Essex Chapter 131,

will have the Apr. 2 meeting at the United Way Building, located at 60 S. Fullerton Ave., Montclair, starting at 12:30 p.m. The speaker will be Deborah M. Breslin, program director of SHIP. She comes to us from New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services where she heads senior affairs. Come out and ask about the latest premium changes in Medicare part B and how this will affect our services, new changes coming to Medicare and all your other questions. Deborah is thoroughly knowledgeable in social security and Medicare.

Boy Scouts of America Troop 2, meet every Monday night from 7:30 to 9 p.m., in the gym at Church on the Green, 147 Broad St., Bloomfield. All boys age 11 to 18, or graduated the fifth grade, are welcome to join us with a parent at our open house on Monday, Apr. 2, starting at 7:30 p.m. Come in for a visit and see what we are all about. Our April camping trip will be to Great Adventure. For more information, call Brian McDade at 748-7545.

Stories of the Old Country,

Bloomfield-Belleville-Nutley Hadassah members will be gathering "stories of the Old Country" to share at their next meeting on Tuesday, Mar. 20, at 1:30 p.m. at Temple Ner Tamid, Bloomfield. Memories of mothers, bubbies (grandmothers), zaydies (grandfathers) and others; where they came from, what they did for a living, how they came to America and where they lived when they arrived, will be recounted. Guests are welcome and light refreshments will be

served.

EVENTS AND FUNDRAISERS...

Tricky Tray, Washington School in Nutley is having their annual event today, Mar. 15, at the Westmount Country Club in West Paterson. Doors open at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$36 and include a half sheet of regular tickets. For more information call Dolores at 284-

Veterans of Foreign Wars blood bank, The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 493 will be hosting the District 4 blood bank Thursday, March 22, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the VFW Post 493, 271 Washington Ave., Nutley. All blood types are needed. Your support is appreciated. Call 235-9661 for directions.

Beefsteak Dinner, The Society of Our Lady Sorrows presents a beefsteak dinner to benefit the Holy Family Parish Center at Good Shepard Academy Gymnasium, 24 Brookline Ave., Nutley on Saturday, March 31, from 6:30 to 11 p.m. Prices are \$35 for adults, \$17.50 for children ages 5 to 13 and free for children ages 4 and under. The evening will begin with an "all you can eat" delicious filet mignon dinner. Wine, beer, soda, water, coffee, espresso, cappuccino and dessert are also included. Prizes will be raffled. Proceeds will benefit the capital campaign room to be dedicated in honor of Maria SS Addolorata, For more information, call Gina Tamburri at 751-4187 or any Societa member. Please do not call the rectory.

Tricky Tray, Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Gratis #751 will hold a tricky tray Friday, April 20 in St. Mary's Church, Msgr. Walsh Hall, Nutley at 7:30 p.m. to benefit the CDA Scholarship Fund. Tickets are \$8. Call 667-7851.

2012 The Odyssey, A film screening event hosted by Divine Inspirations Bookstore. Written and directed by Sharron Rose, produced by Jay Weidner, for

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Trip to Showboat Casino,

Sunday, March 25. Donation is \$30, including tips. Coin return is \$22 and \$5 for food. Continental breakfast at Hathaway's, 66 Broad St., Bloomfield, at 8:15 a.m. The bus leaves on time at 8:50 a.m. Games and 50/50 on bus. Sandwiches, movie and refreshments provided for return trip. Call Gene or Marie to reserve seats at 759-9259, then follow with a check to confirm reservation. Make checks payable to: Belleville Chapter of UNICO National and mail them to: Gene Antonio, 436 Joralemon St., Belleville, NJ 07109. No last minute cancellations. Profits derived from the trip will be used to support the chapter's many charities and scholarships.

Tricky Tray, Belleville School #7 is having their "Lucky #7" tricky tray Thursday, March 29 at The Cotillion, 454 Midland Ave., Garfield. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. There will be a full-course dinner. Tickets are \$35 and include one sheet of regular tickets. For tickets, contact Martha at 450-4060 or Cindy at 844-0576.

Fundraiser, sponsored by "The Cameos" for United Way of Bloomfield at Bloomfield College's Westminster Hall, 31 Fremont St., Bloomfield on Friday, Sept. 14 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The fundraiser will be held in memory of "Mr. Bassmam" Roger Delrusso. Tickets are \$35. One hundred percent of proceeds will be used to help the needy, the handicapped, youngsters, seniors in need and much more. Anyone who wishes to purchase a ticket may call 748-1732. Send checks to: United Way of Bloomfield, 385 Broad St., Bloomfield, NJ 07003.

Broadway trips, sponsored by Oakeside Cultural Center, to see "Wicked" Wednesday, May 23, and "Jersey Boys" Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2008. Packages include orchestra seats, a buffet dinner, dessert and coffee at 5 p.m. Round-trip bus transportation from Oakeside, specially priced at \$160 per person. Tickets are sold on a first-come, first-serve basis. Register early to avoid disappointment. Cancellations can not be honored. Oakeside will sell your tickets if there is a waiting list. Reservations must be paid for within 10 days of booking. No exchanges or refunds. Checks can be mailed to: Oakeside Bloomfield cultural Center, 240 Belleville Ave., Bloomfield, NJ 07003. For more information, call Kim Reilly, director, at 429-0960.

Annual fashion show, sponsored by the Nutley Elks Ladies Auxiliary, Friday, March 23 at 6:30 p.m. Donation is \$10 and includes salad, bread, all-you-caneat pasta, desert and coffee. For reservations, call Carol at 751-3475 or Claire at 284-0831.

Hawaiian Night, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Hall, 190 State St., Bloomfield, Saturday, March 24 from 7:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. Full dinner, drinks and desert, music and dancing, Hawaiian attire and prizes for best dressed and the funniest. Tickets are \$25. For more information, call JoAnne Chiaramonte at 429-1135, Theresa Addeo at 429-2166 or Angie Alfano at 743-5586.

36th annual Distinguished Service Awards dinner,

sponsored by the Nutley Jaycees, at the Valley Regency, Valley Road, Clifton, on Thursday, April 12. Call Michael Paolino at 667-7315 for nomination forms, and call Dr. Steven Clarke at 235-1515 for dinner reservations (\$35 per person).

Sixth annual Tricky Tray, hosted by Knights of Columbus Belleville Council # 835, at Saint Peter's School, 155 William St., Belleville, on Saturday, March 24 at 6 p.m. Donations are \$15 per person and include a pasta dinner, soda, coffee and dessert; one sheet of tickets; and Level One prizes. For tickets and additional information, call Joseph Downey at 862-220-1160, Thomas Doeffinger at 759-1268 or the Belleville council at 759-9656.

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

Platzl Brauhaus Seafood Festival, sponsored by the AARP Chapter #2051, Seafood luncheon, transportation and entertainment. \$65. Call Muriel at 759-8768.

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

Fitness class, Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Nutley. \$10 class or \$75 for eight classes. Class taught by nationally certified personal fitness trainer. Cardio moves to music, floor exercises, calisthenics, Pilates-based moves and stretching. To register, e-mail smdunnfit@optonline.net or call

201-294-5493.

Statewide food drive, underway by the Association of New Jersey Chiropractors, a non-profit organization. Food can be delivered to Dr. Nicholas Stabile, 265 Franklin Ave., Nutley. It will be donated to local food banks. For more information, call 661-0500.

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.

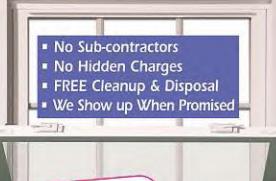
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Shafter Branch Week for kids

Raise the curtain, step right in, "Theme Week" at Shafter Branch of the Belleville Public Library and information center is starting again. Join us at 30 Magnolia St. for March activities of crafts, games, reading days and movies, which will reflect the theme of the

Call the library at 973-450-3438 to sign up for all crafts. Seating and materials are limited.

Teen free-for-all swap day

A free-for-all swap day will be held on Thursday, Mar. 29, from 6 to 7p.m.. at the Belleville Public Library.

Bring any books, CDs, games, etc. that you are willing to swap for another choice of the same type.

Open Mic Night

The Belleville Public Library and Information Center invites will hold its first ever Open Mic Night on Tuesday, March 20 at 7 p.m. for middle school and high school students, and on Tuesday, March 27 for adults 18 and over. Open Mic Nights are a great way to share your poetry and musical talent, and give you a real world performing experience in front of a live Tax forms available at library audience.

Call now to register. Ask for Mia Torres or John Porcaro at 973-450-

Banjo Rascals back for St. Patrick's Day

The Friends of the Library is happy to present the return engagement of the Banjo Rascals for St. Patrick's Day, tomorrow, March 16 at 1 p.m. at the library.

The Banjo Rascals have been delighting audiences of all ages with a variety of distinctive music since 1968. They have entertained for clients like Microsoft, Samsung, Ikea, Saks Fifth Avenue and Bloomingdale's They have also performed on the QE2, at the New York Stock Exchange and the Yale Club, to name just a few locations.

Call the library at 973-450-3434 to register for toe-tapping fun. Refreshments will be served.

Teen Advisory Council meeting

On Thursday, March 29, from 6 to 7 p.m., the Teen Advisory Council will be open to any student in middle or high school. Help make the library a better place. We want vour ideas. Who knows what teens want, besides teens?

Snacks are always served.

The library has federal and state tax forms available. The library's reference staff can print out special from the state and federal Web sites at no charge.

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. 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.

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The active ingredient in the hair-loss drug Propecia is finasteride, which is the same active ingredient in a drug (Proscar) that was first used in higher doses to treat enlarged prostates. Finasteride blocks an enzyme (5-alphareductase) that is necessary to change testosterone to another hormone that causes the prostate to grow. When it was discovered that finasteride also helped hair (re)growth, it became a popular treatment for baldness. Now comes news that Propecia can change the results of the prostate-specific antigen (PSA) test, a common screen for prostate cancer. As a result, the skewed readings might obscure the presence of disease. This finding suggests that doctors should adjust their interpretation of PSA test for men who are taking

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absentee ballots, change of party affiliation, Wednesdays from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., Bloomfield Republican headquarters, 38 Broad St., Bloomfield.

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.

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Is it true that the truth is really stranger than fiction?

"Little did he know..."

FAITH

acter whose life is completely out of his control. His life is, of course, in complete control of the author of the book in which he appears. When he learns this, interesting complications arise – and so goes the set-up for a recent movie.

I viewed this film with fellow students in a grad school "Writing Fiction" class led by author Alice Dark. Admittedly, I was the "poser" amidst the group of talented fiction writers who shared in a thought-provoking post-movie discussion on the role of the author, characters, plot, etc. The movie made me think about some important, non-writer things that I will share here.

seen the movie, this will completely spoil it for you. Still reading?

Harold Crick is a fictional charmovie is about an author who is writing a book in which the central character, Harold Crick, will ultimately meet his demise. Harold's death will be the perfect, albeit tragic, element that makes this the defining great novel of the author's career. The author knows this. The professor of literature knows this. Even Harold Crick, after working through the ramifications of his death, knows this.

But a funny thing happens on the way to producing the great American novel - the author starts to see Harold as a real person, and starts to care about him. Even as Harold himself accepts his fate, the author changes her mind and spares Harold from death. This, of NO, seriously. If you haven't course, robs the pathos and greatness from the book, leaving only another nice tale to take its place

Don't say I didn't warn you. The on the shelves with so many (yawn) others like it. Her reasoning for changing the ending? ...that a good man who is willing to die for others is the kind of man worth keeping around.

> I happened to see this movie just before Christmas, and I couldn't help but make some obvious connections with the Christ story. God sends His Son to earth, knowing that, in the end, Jesus must die for others. Ancient prophets know this. The enemies of Jesus know this. And Jesus, who toils over this issue in prayer, knows this.

But unlike the author in the movie, the Author of life has always cherished this more-thanjust-a-character, real-person Son of God. And if there were ever a good person worth keeping around, Jesus is the one. So as death approaches this character, does the author intervene to spare Him? Does the author settle for a so-so story like so many others on the shelf? It is a definite possibility. But such an intervention doesn't happen. The chief character of the New Testament dies for others. A murderer goes free, Jesus is executed by the state, pronounced dead and buried. The compelling story is left intact. It is indeed the great, defining work of the Author of the Universe.

But isn't Jesus the kind of man you'd want to spare? Why did He have to die? The answer lies in another character in the story. YOU. God loves you so much that He would not change the story and spare His own Son, but rather let the story work out the way it must, so that you could be saved from spiritual (rather than literary)

doom. And Jesus was okay with this, because He loves you too. It is a great, albeit painful, story of love and sacrifice of one man (Jesus) for

But this story, and this character, are unlike any other before or since. In this story, the character who dies for others is raised to live again. Forever. And those He dies for are Forever. And those He dies for are invited to share in eternal life with Him. Forever. (Unlike vampire stories, this eternal life is not an Example 11 of the stories of th inescapable bondage to darkness, but limitless freedom to live in light. Forever.) And the greatest part? YOU are a character in this marvelous story. And so am I.

Perhaps we could say, "Little did we know, God loves us and has great plans for us." Thank God, Truth is Stranger than Fiction.

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He said the federal government has done an outstanding job arming officers with bullet-proof vests, but must now step up with money

for this program.

He said Department of Justice grants could be paid for by adding a few dollars more to fines in courtrooms.

Rotonda said the changes will save lives and credited School Board President Arlene Schor and School Board Vice President Vincent Strumolo, Jr. with working with police on the matter.

The training would encompass

teaching proper techniques to enter a school facility, and what to do when encountering an active gunman in a classroom, hallway, stairwell and all other school settings, according to police officials.

To properly equip first responders, police are asking that they be required to carry Level IV protective vests, carbine rifles, combat helmets and breaching tools.

Knights holding Tricky Tray, pasta dinner 27

Council #835 will be holding its sixth annual Tricky Tray at St. Peter's School, 155 William St., on Saturday, March 24 at 6 p.m.

Cost is \$15 per person and includes a pasta dinner, coffee, tea,

Knights of Columbus Belleville dessert and one sheet of Level 1 prize tickets.

prize tickets.

For more information call poseph Downey at 862-220-1160 or Grand Knight Thomas Doeffinger at 973-759-1268.

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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.

Religious retreat in Assisi, Italy

The Church is sponsoring a 10-day trip from July 2 to 12, including a four-day religious

everyone involved. I believe this is

the direction libraries are heading

lined with pictures from Belleville

in the early 1900's. The photos

were obtained by Yanuzzi and dig-

itally restored for presentation.

The walls of the room will be

LIBRARY

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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. Also attend concerts at the Assisi Music Festival. Trip's price is approximately \$2,600, which includes air, hotel and meals. Msgr. 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. The following items are needed: instant mashed potatoes, stuffing, bread crumbs, rice, pasta, pancake mix, syrup, hot and cold cereals, sugar, powdered milk or creamer, salt and pepper, bottled seasonings, salad dressings, ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, oil, vinegar canned fruits, vegetables,

"This town has so much history that no one even knows about. Here at the library we want to promote that history and make the people of this town aware of how special this community is," said Yanuzzi. "We will post pictures of Belleville from 1912 and photographs of old classrooms and

librarians over 100 years ago." Yanuzzi also indicated that the library will redo both their bathtomato sauce, fish, meat, ham, poultry, stews, soups, peanut butter, jelly macaroni and cheese, cookies, snacks, chips, pretzels, popcorn, beverages, pudding and cake mix, icing, Jello, coffee and

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Wesley United Methodist Church

Wesley United Methodist Church is located at 225 Washington Ave., Belleville. For more information call the church at 973-751-2741.

rooms with new tiling for the floor and walls.

Historic photos are also going to be hung along the hallway to further emphasize the history of Belleville. "There area lot of great things happening here at the library and its because of the great cooperation we are getting from this council. It is amazing to see what we can do when we work as a cohesive unit," said Yanuzzi.

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A FOUNDER'S FAREWELL

Jimmy Donadia, a co-founder of the Nutley-Belleville Columbus Day Parade, died Feb. 25, the year the parade is to celebrate its 25th year. Organizers have announced that this year's event will be dedicated to his memory. Donadia co-founded the parade with his friend, former Nutley Assemblyman John Kelly, in 1983.

Class of '82 reunion planned

Belleville High School Class of reunion on November 23, 2007 at union.booc.net

the Landmark in East Rutherford. For more information please 1982 will be hosting their 25th visit their Web site http://bhsreor email to

reunioncommittee@booch.net.

You may also contact Lori Racioppi at 201-206-2078.

Public Notices

SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 2007 001442
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY,
CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY,
DOCKET NO. F1951506 MORTGAGE
ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS,
INC., A DELAWARE CORP., ETC PLAINTIFF -vs- CARMEN CUEVA AND FERNANDO CUEVA, H/W; CHASE MANHATTAN
MTGE. CORP. DEFENDANTS
Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises
By virtue of the above stated writ of Execution, to me directed, I shall expose for sale
by Public Auction, in SHERIFF'S OFFICE,
ESSEX County Courts Building in Newark, on
Tuesday, April 03, 2007, at one-thirty P.M.
(Prevailing Time),
Commonly known as:
169 FRANKLIN AVE
BELLEVILLE, NJ 07109
Lot: 7 (FKA 23) Block: 3102 (FKA 439)
Size: 51.25 X 94.89 feet
Nearest cross street name: BETWEEN MILL
STREET & BELLEVILLE AVENUE
A full legal description can be found in the
office of the Register of Essex County.
A deposit of 20% of the bid price in certified
funds is required at the time of sale.
Taxes:
Balance of 1st Quarter 2007 SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 2007 001442 SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JER

Balance of 1st Quarter 2007

(w/interest to 3/30/07) = \$54.74*

*Also subject to subsequent taxes, water and sewer plus interest through date of pay-

and sewer plus interest through date of payoff.
The approximate amount of the Judgment to be satisfied by said sale is the sum of TWO HUNDRED THIRTY SEVEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETEEN AND 17/100 DOLLARS (\$237,219.17), together with the costs of this sale.
The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn the sale from time to time as provided by Law.
Newark, N.J. February 26, 2007
ARMANDO B. FONTOURA, Sheriff PARKER MCCAY, ATTORNEY(S)
Belleville Times 1982843
Fee \$49.50

Fee \$49.50 March 15, 22, 29, 2007

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: Robin Bennett a/k/a Robin O. Bennett YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND RE-

STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:
Robin Bennett at/ka Robin O. Bennett
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon Udren Law Offices.
P.C., plaintiffs attorneys, whose address is
Woodcrest Corporate Center, 111 Woodcrest Corporate Center, 111 Woodcrest Road, Suite 200, Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08003, telephone number (856) 6695400, an Answer to the Complaint filed in a
civil action, in which Mortgage Electronic
Registration Systems, Inc. is plaintiff, and
Robin Bennett, et al are defendants, pending
in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, ESSEX County, and bearing
Docket F-3407-07 within thity-five days after
March 15, 2007, exclusive of such date. If
you fail to do so, judgment by default may be
rendered against you for the relief demanded
in the Complaint. You shall file your Answer
and proof of service with the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey, 25 W. Market
Street, CN-971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625,
in accordance with the rules of civil practice
and procedure.
This action has been instituted for the purpose of 1) foreclosing a Mortgage dated January 26, 2006 made by Robin Bennett and
Kirk S. Bennett as mortgagors, to Mortgage
Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as
nominee for Accredited Home Lenders, Inc.
Home Funds Direct recorded on February 2,
2006 in Book 11044 of Mortgages for ESSEX County, Page 433; and 2) to recover
possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 126 North 14th Street, East
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If you are unable to obtain an attorney, you
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of the county of venue by calling 973-6221513.

You, Robin Bennett a/K/a Robin O. Bennett
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THEODORE J. FETTER, Acting Clerk Superior Court of New Jersey Belleville Times 1987567
Fee \$17.88
March 15, 2007

Public Notices

SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 2007 001450
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY,
CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY,
DOCKET NO. F1799206 U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR
THE STRUCTURED, ETC. PLAINTIFF -vsANNETTE VELEZ, ET AL. DEFENDANTS
Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises
By virtue of the above stated writ of Execution, to me directed, I shall expose for sale
by Public Auction, in SHERIFF'S OFFICE,
Essex County Courts Building in Newark, on
Tuesday, April 03, 2007, at one-thirty P.M.
(Prevailing Time).
Commonly known as:
118 DIVISION AVE
BELLEVILLE, NJ 07109
Lot: 46 Block: 207
Size: 100 x 25.58 x 100 . 25.58 feet
Nearest cross street: DE WITT AVENUE
A full legal description can be found in the
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funds is required at the time of sale.
*Subject to any unpaid taxes municipal SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 2007 001450

office of the Hegister of Essex County.
A deposit of 20% of the bid price in certified funds is required at the time of sale.

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All interested parties are to conduct and rely upon their own independent investigation to ascertain whether or not any outstanding interest remain of record and/or have priority over the lien being foreclosed and, if so the current amount due thereon.

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Newark, N.J. February 26, 2007

ARMANDO B. FONTOURA, Sheriff PHELAN HALLINAN & SCHMIEG, PC,

ATTORNEYS Belleville Times 1982876

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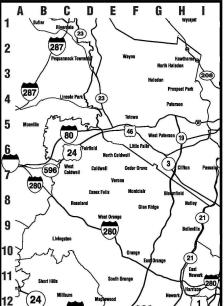
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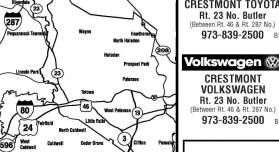
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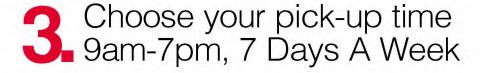
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