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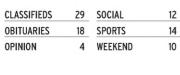
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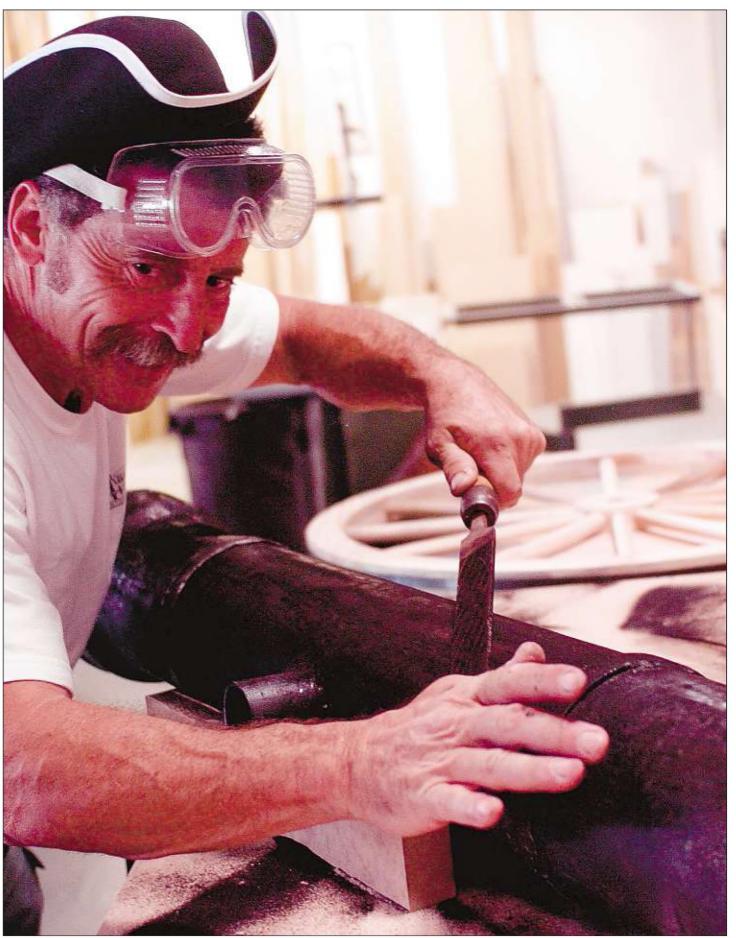


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Bringing out the big guns Town celebrating July 4th with a bang

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JOHN MONTALVO/BELLEVILLE TIMES

As part of its celebration of the Fourth next week, a group plans on firing three replica Revolutionary War cannon to commemorate an important battle fought here 330 years ago. Seen here working on one of the artillery pieces is Belleville native Oscar Celico.



June 22

A burglary and thett was reported at 9:57 a.m. to Queen HNails, 525 Washington Ave. The owner said she left the business at 9:30 p.m. the previous night and E came in the next morning to find the rear window air conditioner 5 taken out and a cash register with

\$\$50 removed. There are no suspects at this

time, and police are continuing Stheir investigation. June 21

■ Police arrested and charged Kathryn Beale, 51, of Belleville E with two counts of possession of a controlled dangerous substance (CDS) at 11:30 a.m.

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Police conducted a motor vehicle stop near 14 Berkeley Ave., and observed the rear seat passenger try and discard a small clear bag with a white powdery substance. A subsequent search turned up four wax folds believed to contain heroin, and the suspect was taken into custody. She was released on her own recognizance.

June 20

Police arrested and charged Ruben Mondalto, 23, of Newark with driving while intoxicated at 10:59 p.m.

A motor vehicle accident was reported on Union Avenue, and police interviewed the driver of the first vehicle.

They smelled a strong odor of screen had been removed. There driving while intoxicated after he alcohol, observed the driver to have slurred speech and to be unable to keep their balance. They were then arrested and charged. The suspect was released on his motor vehicle was reported at 5:47 own recognizance.

■ An attempted burglary was reported to a residence in the 700 block of Mill Street at 2 p.m. The victim was laying in bed when they said they heard a voice near the bedroom window.

They then saw a black female by the side of the window.

When the victim went to confront the suspect, they ran around the building and disappeared.

was no further description of the suspect. Police are investigating. June 24

• A burglary and theft to a a.m. in the 60 block of Dow Street. Police responded to a report of a black male breaking into an automobile.

A search found no suspect. The green, four-door 2007 Toyota Corolla had damage to the passenger side window.

Reported missing were an iPod Nano and a police shield.

June 23

Police found that the window Leandro Frias, 42, of Newark with innocent until proven guilty.

was stopped at a DWI checkpoint at Mill and Main streets at 12:01 a.m

He was stopped for failing to wear a seat belt and having an expired inspection sticker.

Upon interviewing the suspect, police detected a strong odor of alcohol, bloodshot eyes, slurred speech and trouble standing. Several field sobriety tests were conducted and then the suspect was arrested and charged.

He was released on his own recognizance.

■ Police arrested and charged All suspects are presumed

Township announces Independence Day events **Main Street ARBER SHOP** escape the heat and chaos of the city life at holiday time, many oth-CHILDREN (under 12) & "All The Latest Styles" **SENIOR CITIZENS** experience the traditional cere-Flat Top • Kids Cuts • Fades & Brooks monies of the Independence Day 2.00 OFF celebration here in town. Shape Ups • Regular Cuts To begin the festivities on HAIRCUT Senior Discounts • Corporate Cuts Wednesday, July 4, the Recreation Department will hold its annual Mon.-Fri. All Day ~ Walk-ins Welcome ~ With This Coupon Expires 7/11/07 field day for youngsters, ages 4 - 12 483 Franklin Ave. Nutley 266 Washington Ave. Belleville NEW JERSEY #16495 NEW YORK #16495 CORFORATION COMPLETE CORPORATION COMPLETE (Behind Starbucks) (Across from Middle School) 973-751-9090 973-667-5800 405 W. Passaic Ave. Allwood Barber Shop 652 Allwood Rd. Clifton Bloomfield (At Four Corners) (By Allwood Theatre) INCLUDES: State Filing Fees, Corporat Seal & Book, Certificate of Incorporation Corporate Minutes, By Laws, Stock Certificate Preliminary Name Search, Attorney's Fee 973-778-0900 973-338-4017 Affordable! NEW

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As many flock to the Shore to at the Municipal Stadium starting at the stadium starting at sundown promptly at 9:30 a.m.

The events, which will be open er Bellevillites will stay home to to all young Belleville residents, will be divided into three categories.

There is a Junior division for ages 4 - 6; an Intermediate division for ages 7 - 9; and a Senior division for ages 10 - 12.

Events will include the 25-, 50and 100-yard dash, an agility race, a three-legged race, sack race, a girl's tug-of-war and a boy's tug-ofwar.

All activities will be supervised by the members of the Belleville Recreation playground staff. Ribbons will be awarded to the first-, second- and third-place finishers and all will share in slices of watermelon.

On Wednesday night, July 4, a fireworks display will be presented

(approximately 9:15 p.m). The rain date for these events will be Thursday, July 5.

On July 4, there will also be a Pre-Fireworks show beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Municipal Stadi-

This year's entertainment will include continuous music by a disc jockey, as well as the following performances:

VENTRILOQUIST SHOW -Starring Bob Conrad 7:15 p.m.; MAGIC SHOW featuring Joe Fischer; 8:00 p.m.

Sand Art and Spin Art will also be offered for a nominal fee, and refreshments will also be on sale.

"In all, it promises to be an exciting holiday and Bellevillities young and old are invited to share in the glitter of our country's historic day," an official stated.

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A short explanation of the event must be included. Everyone in the picture must be identified by first and last name.

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District working to bring delinquents back to class

BY RICHARD DICKON of Belleville Times

School officials continue to give the public what they say is more evidence that domicile investigators are detecting and removing illegal students from the district, and now are also talking about taking court action to bring absent students back to Belleville schools.

board member School Antoinette "Toni" Marone chairs the board's residency committee. She said in addition to removing students illegally attending district schools, the two domicile investigators are working hard to bring absent students back.

"They are also checking on students who have been absent," Marone said. "They even go to court to get them back to school."

The actions are taken when students are absent for a long period of time and the parents or guardians show no interest in getting them back to school, Marone said

To keep students from ever getting to Belleville schools illegally from outside of town, Marone said the investigators are "monitoring 27 areas" where students arrive illegally.

For the regular duties of removing illegal students, Marone gave a report for the month of May. She said there have been 104 investigation. Of those, a total of 66 have been concluded. The other 38 were denied entrance to the district for having insufficient proof of residency.

"They're really doing a great job of picking up kids that don't belong," Marone said at the June 18 Board of Education meeting.

Much of the money is saved by

the schools, and the district received approximately \$29,000 in tuition from parents of illegal students last year, which is in this year's budget general fund under tuition.

Previously, several bus stops where students might be entering and exiting Belleville from other towns had begun being monitored by the two domicile investigators.

Marone said the state keeps districts from removing them for various reasons, but Bruce Morgan and Iris Rodriguez, the two domicile investigators, are working very hard.

This year's school Central Registration numbers show more illegal students being removed from Belleville schools, a move that continues to help reduce the taxpayers' burden, officials said, by recovering lost tuition and preventing students from ever illegally attending Belleville schools.

For central registration, it begins in early August, and all new students moving into the district have to call and make an appointment to register.

Officials said previously that the program has had excellent results since it was started several years

Centralized registration has stopped many students with questionable credentials from entering the district, according to officials. The process continues through September into the beginning of October and is staffed by the district's domicile investigators in charge of detecting and removing students who are illegally attending district schools.

Under central registration, parents pick up a residency package that they must fill out before stuillegal students never getting into dents can be enrolled for the year.



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SERVING THEIR COMMUNITY

On Monday, June 4, the Woman's Club of Belleville proudly presented its annual \$500 scholarships to four Belleville High School senior women. The young women exemplify the objectives of the Woman's Club by being excellent students and by providing service to their school and community. The Woman's Club Volunteer Award was also presented, for the first time, to Amanda Goscinski. From left, Woman's Club member Carol Casale stands with recipients Jaclyn Giangrande, Lisa Minichini, Jacqueline Parr, and Amanda Goscinski. (Not pictured is scholarship recipient Elester Nicolas.)

Fur flies over plan to revisit district benefits provider

BY RICHARD DICKON of Belleville Times

A call to switch insurance health benefit companies stirred controversy at the most recent

Board of Education meeting. School board member Arlene Schor made a motion to switch health benefit carriers to IMAC, after she said research showed the new company could save the district money.

An angered Business Adminis-trator Edward Appleton questioned why the matter wasn't brought up during his extensive researching of insurance renewals, but he ultimately agreed to look

used neighboring Nutley as an example, saying that they got confirmation suggesting that dental lower from 2007 through 2009.

"Given the financial crises that we are experiencing with our budget, and with one of our biggest burdens being health benefits (for teachers and staff), perhaps anoth- not know that picking the broker er broker can save us money," was not in the union's purview,

Schor said.

She then made a motion that motion.

School Board William Villano then intervened, saying the matter could not be voted upon because it did not appear on the June 18 board meeting agenda.

Appleton," Villano said.

Appleton said the school board bylaws require a board majority vote to add an item to the agenda.

But this has not been open before," an angered Appleton said. into the matter. Schor said, "We can save \$1.4" "My recommendation was very strongly that we stay with the same broker. No one asked this when we were doing the renewals on insurance?

Schor said she did bring up the benefits would be 11.5 percent idea during the process, but I just want to see if we can save ceased when she got a letter from the head of the Belleville Education Association (BEA), the teacher's union.

At that time, she said, she did be done "toot sweet."

something she knows now. Appleton retorted, "I still don't IMAC be designated the new bro- see the basis to change the recomker, and got a second on the mendation. This is a \$5 million contract, and they have no affilia-President tion with our carrier, AETNA. It took three weeks, with me checking every reference, and I tried to be as objective as possible."

Schor answered, "I am simply looking to see if we can provide "I absolutely agree that this the same or better coverage and should be looked into by Mr. save some money."

Appleton said the information provided by Schor was "meaningless. We're not going to get that percentage on Blue Cross and Blue Shield."

Villano said the board "cannot dismiss" Schor's question, if she wants an analysis of the letter sent by IMAC.

Appleton responded, "That's not a problem at all."

Schor said, "This is not political. some money." She said she has no ties to IMAC that would prejudice her in their favor.

Villano said the analysis should

July 4th ceremony to honor Revolutionary War dead

The church and gravesite, both cannon.

Fourth of July festivities will on the National Register of His- The Battle of Second River with begin at 10 a.m. at the Dutch toric Places, will be the site of a British troops led by Gen. Henry Reformed Church, located oppo- traditional outdoor ceremony that Clinton and Continental troops site the Belleville bridge at the cor- will include a reading of the Decner of Main and Rutgers streets. laration of Independence, a roll The church is the final resting call of the 66 individuals buried place of 66 veterans of the War of there, the playing of the National Independence, one of the largest Anthem and a 21-gun salute from ceremony call Michael Perrone at gravesites of its kind in the nation. three replica Revolutionary War 973-759-9009.

led by Gen. William Winding was fought at the church site on Sept. 12, 1777.

For more information about the

For listings of upcoming events, fundraisers, organization meetings, trips, support groups, check the Events in the Area section of this newspaper.

ECC offering kids' programs in science, athletics

Registration is underway for the 2007 conducted by Essex County College's Office of On-Campus Continuing Education.

Geared toward children who will be entering grades one through six in the fall, the summer schedule offers education and enrichment classes, all conducted in a fun atmosphere. The camp, held in two and three week segments, begins July 9 on the college's Newark campus. Field trips to area educational recreational sites are included in the summer experience, which ends Aug. 17.

Call (973) 877-3416/3079 for registration and tuition information.

Educational Day Camp is divided into two-week sessions for children entering grades two through dents will have fun learning new six. The program is designed on the The curriculum includes instruction in reading comprehension, writing, math, computers, physical education and creative arts.

The two-week Sports and Games Camp is for children ages seven to 11. The camp's goal is to instill good sportsmanship, while developing basic sport skills, selfdiscipline, confidence, and coordination.

Another two-week program is popular Summer Youth Program Camp Discovery for rising first graders. The program is planned to give children an academic foundation as they discover the joys of learning. Reading, math, science, phonics and penmanship will be covered along with creative arts and recreation.

Computer Blaster is a two-week camp program for children entering grades two through six. Through the use of computers the students will discover tools and ideas for effectively using technology in their regular classroom and daily activities.

New this summer is The Young Artist for students entering grades two through five this fall. This twoweek session emphasizes creativity and self-confidence while the stuways to express themselves artistipremise that learning can be fun. cally. Students will showcase their projects at the end of the program. Five three-week programs will

also be offered at the college.

Exploring the World is for children entering grades three and four. It is ideal for students who have an interest in learning fascinating geographical and historical facts. Topics cover people and countries from throughout the world.

AND FURTHERMORE... Page 4 **BELLEVILLE TIMES** THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 2007

Self-policing a good sign at Town Hall

Two township employees - including one dent reveals an encouraging sign at Town money has been used inappropriately, of who has served Belleville for more than a Hall, the first glimmer that a new era of public jobs being dispensed not on the basis quarter of a century - were arrested for using accountability has dawned. Unlike other pre- of competence but on the basis of connectownship funds for their own personal use. vious investigations, this one was not initiat- tions, of officials misusing their office to There should be no rush to judgement ed by someone on the outside but by the advance political agendas. The homeowners against recreation director Dennis Buckley, Township Manager, Victor Canning. Not of Belleville, fed up with sky-high taxes, have who has served in that capacity for 23 years, every official would be gutsy enough to bring not been amused. Some have even voted or his girlfriend, Kathy Skinner, a finance embarrassment on the government he serves with their feet and left town altogether. department clerk. Both are entitled to a hear- in the way Canning has done. But it's clear ing and both might still be shown to be inno- that an in-house housecleaning in Belleville Skinner, Canning has helped arrest this decline. cent. Being arrested is not the same thing as is long overdue. being proved guilty.

The past week brought some sad news. Whatever the outcome, though, the inci- has been plagued by allegations that public

By initiating the charges against Buckley and

We support his efforts to clean up Belleville For decades Belleville's local government government and wish him the best of luck.

LETTERS

Praise for a local fellow

TO THE EDITOR:

Mr. Ralph Caputo - winner in the race for an assembly seat in the 28th district - congratulations!

Finally, after many years without a representative from Belleville or Bloomfield we have the chance to do good things for our towns. For the things that were put forth during Ralph Caputo's campaign, which led to good support for him by the voters of our town. We will be waiting for the results. Let's hope that issues that come up in the Assem-

This week Principal Thomas C.

the last time. Readings from the

Bible were suspended, pending a

final decision by the Commission-

in September. Mr. Gryczka read

from the book of Genesis, and

this nation has both good laws and

"not-so-good" laws. The assembly continued with routine sing-a-

longs, as if nothing had happened.

Still to many of the teachers this program will be remembered as

Belleville beauties took first and

Benefit Life of 1963 contest held

Saundra Ferguson of Belleville

Hundenpfund, also of Belleville,

was named first runner-up.

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the students of Public School 8 for nary

Gryczka read from the Bible for sey Tercente-

bly will not cause additional taxes to be levied upon already over burdened taxpayers. My prayers are with you. God help us all.

Catherine Malavarca

Needs space to grow

TO THE EDITOR:

Talk about giving an innovative idea a chance.

positive. My disappointment in reading

the June 21, editorial in the

Amid regrets, Bible-reading

in public classrooms ending

A New Jer-

and

Belleville Times, "In loco paren-tis? Not so loco" was palpable. After months of planning and setting up the first ever space in the Belleville Public Library devoted to teens; after a fundraising effort to provide Belleville's teens, many of whom do not have their own computers at home, with the very latest in computer technology; after fundraising the room with the teen friendly furniture and creating an environment in which they can relax instead of being afraid that they are bothering adults, I open the Belleville Times editorial page and find that the editor, after only one day mind you, has found everything about the room to criticize and not even the slightest thing to praise.

The editor got one thing right: kids will be kids. That is the whole idea of giving them a space of their own. Of course they are supervised. Of course there are rules they have to follow. Of course they will be told to get off inappropriate Web sites. Of course they will be rambunctious

at times, because they are excited about having their own space with such good stuff in it. But let's give them a chance to enjoy that space (for more than a day) before tearing it down with criticism.

Joan B. Taub

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Registration for football now underway

There will be registration for the office. All completed applications Belleville Recreation Department's 2006 "Jr. Bucs" Tackle Football program at the Recreation House, 407 Joralemon Street, now through July 27. Boys who will be in Grades 3 – 8 in September 2007 are eligible. Players will be broken down into four teams according to specific grade and weight requirements as set by the NJ Suburban

To register, players must obtain Football games and practice an application from their school schedules conflict. Call 450-3422 or the Recreation Department for other information.

Junior Bucs football coaches needed

Junior Bucs teams compete in a Clinic before the season begins. traveling league against teams from North and Central New Jersey.

Games are played on Sunday early September. Practices are con-

The Belleville Recreation ducted weeknights at the Stadium. Department is seeking persons beginning in August. All volunteer interested in coaching in its 'Junior coaches will be required to attend Bucs' Football program. The a Safety Orientation & Training

with parental approval must be

brought to the Recreation House

by July 27 with a copy of the player's birth certificate and a signed

Parent Code of Conduct. All

returning players from last year's

team must re-apply. Practices will

begin the week around Aug. 15.

Children are advised not to regis-

ter for more than one fall sport

since Football, Soccer and Touch

Those interested in coaching may call the Recreation Department at 450-3422 weekdays afternoons and occasional Friday before 4:00 p.m. to obtain an or Saturday nights, beginning in application for a coaching position.

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IN HISTORY Song Competition is **TONI ANN** being held this SABATO week among amateur **JUNE 23,** professional writers 1963 then explained to the students that in the state

and the winning song may become the official New Jersey State Song. All New Jersey residents are invited to help write this song for New Jersey's 300th birthday celebration in 1964.

Plans are being completed by second places in the Miss Mutual the newly formed Belleville-Nutley Rowing Association for the immediate start of a public fund drive to fic." The displays are designed to raise \$28,000 to insure the building interest New York's food brokers was crowned queen while Lynn of a new boathouse for the high as tenants for the multi-million dolschool crews of both towns. Many lar food distribution center in Hudattended the meeting; not only the son County.

KATHLEEN M. HIVISH

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two groups of trustees, but also a number of parents, interested citizens and also a group of students. More than 800 Boy Scouts of America from Belleville, Irvington and Newark will attend the opening of 37th long term camping sea-

son at Camp Mohican. The New York market trade opened two of its downtown Manhattan sales offices here in the heart of the old Washington Market Place. Signs outside storefronts on Washington Street read "New Iersev Presents the World's Greatest Food Distribution Center - A Complete Modern Food Center, Big Enough to Handle Fruit, Produce, Meat and other Commodities" and "The Center of Food Traf-

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THIS WEEK

Junior Bucs cheerleaders sought

The Belleville recreation Department has announced that applications for the Junior Bucs cheerleading squad are no available at the recreation department office at 407 Joralemon St. The deadline to register is July 20.

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.





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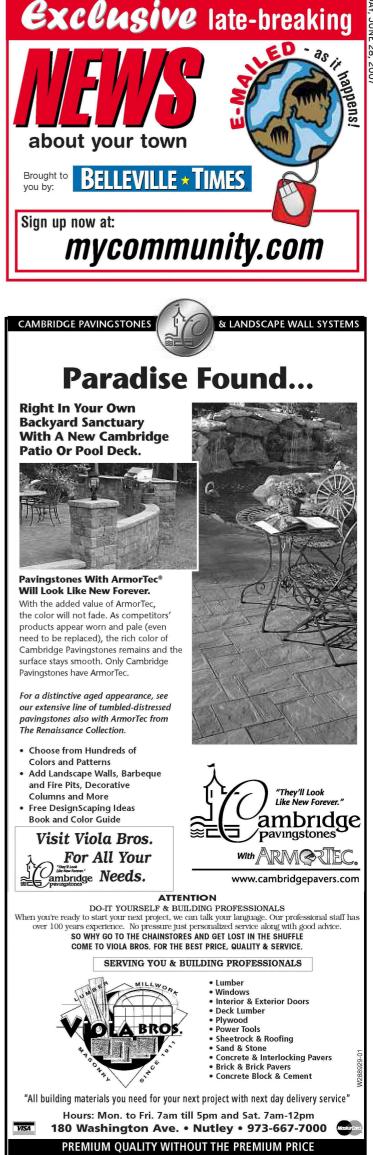
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Longtime Belleville recreation director Dennis Buckley was Sarrested and charged with official Fellow town employee, Kathy Smisconduct June 20 after he Skinner, 45, who is said to be

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sored programs, according to Township Manager Victor Can-

ning.

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allegedly pilfered activity fees col-Buckley's girlfriend, was also lected for a variety of town-spon-arrested and charged with official misconduct, Canning said.

Canning said the investigation led to Buckley's arrest that stemmed from the Skinner investigation, "which was, to a degree, mutually exclusive?

"After an investigation, it was clear that something was not appropriate, and she admitted to one theft," Canning said of Skinner.

A clerk in the finance department, Skinner allegedly collected water bills from Belleville residents and used the payments for her perProsecutor's Office immediately began a second investigation.

'The next I thing I know, sometime Wednesday (June 20), Buckley is brought in and he admitted to several thefts," Canning said.

Canning said Buckley allegedly set up a "Belleville Recreation Athletic Association" account. Into that account he funneled money collected from residents participating in adult sports leagues and the township's morning and afternoon preschool program.

He said a tip off that something was amiss was that there was an ATM card attached to the account and a number of cash withdrawals, something not done with govern-

Buckley, 51, was suspended June 20 without pay. He earns \$75,000 a year, and has been recreation director for 23 of the 26 years

'I always liked Dennis, and never had a problem with him," Canning said. "I'm just as shocked as everybody else. You never really

Belleville Police and the County town, the arrest has nothing to do with politics.

"The Belleville Police and County Prosecutor are not into arresting people on a whim," Canning said. "Nobody takes any pleasure in ruining people's lives. He could lose his pension and go to iail"

He said a second degree offense like the one Buckley faces can carry a jail sentence of 10 years or more

"I just hope this is it, and we can move on," Canning said.

Bail was set at \$20,000, said Capt. Mark Minichini, a police spokesman, and since the investigation is continuing there could be additional charges.

An investigation into Skinner's alleged activities is also ongoing, he said, and stressed that the cases are separate incidents.

The council will discuss an interim director for the department while the investigation continues at Monday's meeting but in the meantime Canning is filling in as head of recreation.

Man charged with endangerment in infant's death

BY RICHARD DICKON of Belleville Times

A Lake Hiawatha man was charged with endangering the welfare of a child in Belleville on June 23, but local police determined that the death of a 15-month-old baby was most likely not the result of foul play, police said.

"We initially treated it as a sus-picious death," said Police Capt. Minichini, Mark police spokesman, "But it wound up looking like a pre-existing medical condition."

The father of the child, Klayton Scott, 24, was charged with endangering the welfare of a minor, Minichini said.

"We charged him with endangering the welfare of a child because we determined he was neglectful," he said. "Specifically, it deals with neglect of a child under the statute."

Police await results of a toxicology test, which Minichini said could take eight weeks.

On June 23 at approximately 4 p.m., Scott called 911 and reported that the baby had stopped breathing, Minichini said.

Even though police do not yet have the final toxicology report, initial autopsy reports found the child probably died from a preexisting condition, Minichini said.

Scott was arrested June 23 and released later that day, he said.

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Good test scores help Belleville find 'safe harbor' reprieve

BY RICHARD DICKON of Belleville Times

A closer look at preliminary standardized test scores for the high school and the middle school, which have improved significantly, shows how specific subgroups fared and what subgroups still need to improve.

The middle school is now likely to have met federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) standards for the first time in five years, according to Assistant Superintendent of Schools Dr. Gerard Babo.

While officials may not know until March 2008 if the high school has made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for next year under NCLB, Babo said the improved middle school test scores are "predominantly" what determines AYP for this year.

Both the high school and middle school face state intervention if numbers do not improve.

The numbers for the High School Proficiency Assessment (HSPA), a test that all high school students must pass in order to graduate, showed students overall made a "quite significant" gain and made AYP in Language Arts scores, Babo said.

More specifically, students classified under General Education were 88.4 percent proficient and advanced, a difference of 3.7 percent from last year's 88.4 and the highest percentage since 2003, the farthest back the numbers go in the information supplied by Babo. That large General Education group made AYP. Five other scores are "one large element," groups made "Safe Harbor," which Babo said.

means they improved enough from the year before to get a reprieve. If the group makes Safe Harbor for two consecutive years, they are considered no longer in need of improvement. If they miss one

improvement status. The groups making Safe Harbor include Special Education, at 19.6 percent, an increase of 13.5 percent from 2006. Hispanics and economically disadvantaged students scored 76.2 and 70.6 percent, respectively, a large 13.7 and 15.8 percent increase, respectively. Total students, at 76.4 percent, made Safe Harbor and increased by 4.7 percent. The African American students 65.7 percent rate also qualified, but they are considered a subgroup too small to count toward ÂYP, according to NCLB.

On the math side, only Hispanics. at 59.1 percent, up 4.7 percent, qualified for Safe Harbor. Asian students, at 76.7, and white students, at 70.1, both made AYP, despite dropping 3.3 and 8.7 percent, respectively.

Math scores stayed about the same, Babo said, but a change in how AYP is determined may give the high school another chance to pass in math next year.

Previously, AYP for the high school scores was determined by the October HSPA test scores. Now, the state will also accept the test scores of those students who retake the test in March.

Other factors are also give great weight in the high school's AYP, including graduation rates, but test

For the middle school, students' 62.7, 57.4, 72.8 and 52.1. African see if they are improving. scores gained 5.2 percent in language arts and 5.5 in math. He said anything more than two percent either way is statistically significant.

Also, any child that scored withyear, they go back to in need of in two points of passing will be rescored, so the numbers can only rise, Babo said.

In the NJASK7 for grade seven students, for the first time in five years, 90.7 percent of students were proficient in language arts, which Babo called "phenomenal scores." For BMS Grade Eight Profi-

ciency Assessment (GEPA) scores in Language Arts, General Education, White and Total Students all made AYP, with percentages of 81, 77.2 and 68.6, respectively, increases of 6.4, 9.7 and the overall Total Student increase of 5.1 percent.

Special Education, LEP, Hispanic, and Economically Disadvantaged students all made Safe Harbor, with three of the four achieving double-digit increases.

For math, General Education, White, Asian and Total Students all made AYP, with percentages of

American students made Safe Harbor, with an 11.7 percent increase to 37.5.

For the NJASK (Assessment in Skills and Knowledge) in Language Arts, 90.7 of General Education students and 80.9 percent of total students, a five percent increase, both made AYP, and Special Education students made Safe Harbor by increasing scores 16.6 percent to 40.7.

Similarly, for math, General Education students, at 75.8 percent, a 14.3 increase, and total students, increasing 14.1 percent to 65.5, made AYP, and Special Education students, with a 9.8 percent increase to 20 percent, made Safe Harbor.

Babo credited the work of the Global Institute for Maximizing Potential for helping with the district's efforts.

Global, he said, offers a lot of diagnostic information pinpointing specific areas of curriculum that that teachers need to focus on, and constantly reassesses students to

The district will use Global next year, but the following year the plan is to move away from the ₽ group and sustain what has been taught.

The No Child Left behind Act (NCLB) of 2001 was signed into law on January 8, 2002 by President Bush. The Act represents the President's education reform plan and contains the most sweeping changes to the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) since it was enacted in 1965. NCLB Changes the federal government's 8 role in K-12 education by focusing \$ on school success as measured by student achievement. The Act also contains the President's four basic education reform principles

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Fixes to Friendly House, ball field are planned

BY DAVID HINRICHS

The Belleville Township Council met on Monday night to briefly $\vec{\mathbf{w}}$ discuss several construction topics and concerns.

Township Manager Victor Can-S Township Ivialiage Anter Sning reported to the council that githe town is currently looking for ways to shut down the high school ≦ football field over the summer to begin renovations. "I met with representatives from the Belleville $\stackrel{\text{\tiny Ω}}{=}$ Board of Education and we are Ecurrently looking for alternative

locations for the Belleville summer concert series. We have considered moving them to Claremont Field repairing it," said Canning. but have yet to formally decide on a location," said Canning. "Mainte- along with councilman John town was going to begin receiving

help lead New Jersey's fight against

obesity - the nation's second lead-

Services Commissioner Fred M.

Jacobs, M.D., J.D. announced

are eager to bring that field back to good shape."

Some residents mentioned to Canning and the council that moving the concert to Claremont would result in parking problems but Canning assured the audience that they are still exploring possible options. "We know that moving the concert series could cause some inconvenience and we want to make the move as smooth as possible. Unfortunately, the only way that football field is going to get any better is if we completely block it off so that we can focus on

Belleville Mayor Ray Kimble,

nance work on this field is some- Notari and Canning, announced bids for the renovation project at have the ability to go back and thing that is long overdue and we that they had met with representa- the Friendly House on Fredrick change the specifications of the tives from Lowe's, the home improvement chain, to ensure that the plan to build a store in Belleville was still going to move forward despite prior complications. "Our meeting with Lowe's was a constructive one. The problems we are facing now are environmental issues, which has been a hurdle in the past and remains one," said Canning. "We are going to work through it and Lowe's representatives plan to come before the board in a few months as a gesture of good faith to show they are as committed to this project as we are?

Canning also stated that the

Street. "We are going out to bid tonight and want to get this project underway. It is something we have wanted to do for a long time and hopefully we can get it off the ground," said Canning.

The proposed project would renovate the façade in the front and do some patchwork all around the building.

One Belleville resident questioned the project and warned that using some materials would offer poor results in the long run, such as stucco.

This question prompted councilman George Ritacco to further question Canning on the project. "Even if we accept this bid, we still

project. We are not fully committed to the terms in the bid. Approving this is the best of both worlds because it gets the project off the ground and still gives us flexibility with how the construction proceeds," said Canning.

The council approved the bid unanimously and will be overlooking the contract over the next few weeks.

The meeting was closed last night with the Mayor announcing that the reorganization meeting was rescheduled for Friday, June 29th, at 11:00 a.m.

State agency to take on New Jersey's obesity epidemic

The Department of Health and recently. Senior Services has created a new

The office will oversee more Office of Nutrition and Fitness to than \$2 million in nutrition and fitness programs and will work to implement the New Jersey Obesity ing preventable cause of death Prevention Task Force's recomafter smoking - Health and Senior mendations outlined in its 2006 report, The New Jersey Obesity Prevention Action Plan.

right or exercising enough and, as a result, nearly 60 percent of us weigh too much," the commissioner said. "It's time to face these facts and get to work creating a program that supports all of us in making under one roof, we can better focus healthy food and fitness choices. Our health and our children's health depend on it."

The new office will coordinate

"Too many of us aren't eating provide fresh fruits and vegetables hosted the second annual Leaders' to eligible women, children and seniors. The new Office of Nutrition and Fitness is expected to open this summer.

"By putting these programs our resources," said Eddy Bresnitz, M.D., M.S., state epidemiologist and deputy commissioner. "This office will also take a leadership

Academy for Healthy Community Development for mayors, educators, local health officials and others concerned with community health. The Academy encourages healthy changes at the community level by training participants and offering mini-grants of up to \$10,000 that can be used for such projects as starting walking clubs, creating walking maps, offering swimming lessons or water aerobics, or even starting a community or school garden, for exam-

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Belleville native has high hopes for band's CD

BY DAVID HINRICHS of Belleville Times

For everyone who has ever dreamt of making it big in the music world, Belleville native Jon Nardachone has a hopeful story for you.

Better known as "Job the Raver", Nardachone and his band "The Cursed" have recently just finished putting together their debut musical CD entitled "Room Full of Sinners." The project began back in 2005 when Nardachone and three of his friends from all different groups got together to play some "hybrid" music and jam out. "This originally was a project spearhead-ed by Bobby "Blitz" Ellsworth of the band "Overkill." He had an idea of a rock and roll project and hooked up with Dan Lorenze, who has been playing around New Jersey since the 80's," said Nardachone. "The two of them brought myself and Mike Cristi, the drummer from "Non-Fiction" together to see how it sounded and worked. It turned out to be a lot of fun and we all meshed together extremely well."

The group of four already had four songs in their arsenal when they began and would eventually write seven more to finish the CD. "We hit it off great musically, but we also hit it off as friends, which is something rare and special in this business. If you can mesh with someone and form instant friendships, the music greatly benefits," said Nardachone.

to the studio came a very laid back approach to the CD. The group operated with no strict deadline for release, needing only to have the CD ready by sometime in 2007. "We worked on the project up in North Jersey at Crystal Studio with Michael Koenig, who was fantastic. We did our recordings over a long period of time, working for a week here and a week there," said Nardachone.

The music itself was classified by members of the band as being inspired by classic metal with a lot of overtones you would hear in early music released by bands such as AC/DC, Aerosmith and KISS. "The music is very heavy but it also has a very bluesy feel to it. It is not metallic in the way of yell, yell, yell. It has a certain feel to it, Dan gives it a great original tough with his rifts," said Nardachone. "Since we are all from different bands we all added our own, unique style and energy to the group. I think that is what makes us click so well, we bring a lot of different things to the table at once. This is the most fun I have had with music in all my life."

The CD has already released across seas in Europe and the group performed several of the songs back in May in Manhattan. "We had a show on May 20th at the High Lane Ball Room on the West Side of Manhattan. It was a very special moment for us and especially me being a guy who has worked in the city and grew up in Belleville just across the Hudson. already surfaced. "With how Along with the friendly atmo- The music we performed was all much fun this was to make, I

sphere the group naturally brought original and had not been heard by would be very interested in making anyone before, we were worried at how the crowd would receive us so we played a few cover songs before we got into our stuff," said Nardachone.

Much to the band's delight, the crowd grew larger as the group began to play their original work. Word had spread and before Nardachone and his fellow players realized it, they had filled the area to capacity and performed for the eager crowd for over 90 minutes. "It was amazing to feel the energy from the crowd and perform for that long. I didn't think we would be able to keep playing, but we did," said Nardachone.

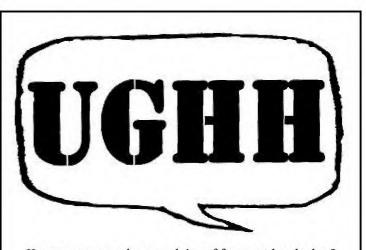
With positive reviews coming back from Europe and the popularity of each performer from their respective bands in the group, Nardachone and his colleagues believe their debut CD will enjoy success all over the country. "When the CD does come out in June, it will be incredible to see the fruition of our work in stores. We expect to have success in pockets over the country. For anyone to fully conquer the entire country is near impossible because of the many varying audiences. I believe that the popularity of all of us as individuals will draw people to the music and give our group its own identity and following," said Nardachone.

While the group is excited over the release of their premiere CD, talks about a second album have a second CD. I know some of the other guys are on board but it is tough with everyone's schedule, especially Bobby who is on tour all the time with his other band. Hopefully we can get something together but we have already begun discussing the possibility of a second album," said Nardachone. "We have also spoken about touring, but with our work and music schedules always conflicting, it is almost impossible."

The CD "Room Full of Sinners" will hit shelves on June 26th and will be available anywhere music is sold. For more information on the group, their songs and to directly purchase the CD, visit their web site at www.the-cursed.net.

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Guido (Nuno de Sousa) tries to comfort his wife Luisa (Tracey Lynn Haskell) in 4th Wall Musical Theatre's production of "Nine."

ATLANTIC CITY

By Ellen Burke Rawls



The Beach Boys return to the beach

Parrotheads, rejoice! Jimmy Buffet and the Coral Reefer Band make their first ever appearance in AC as part of their "Bama Breeze" 2007 tour. You'll get your full Margaritaville fix at Boardwalk Hall Saturday at 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$66 t \$226.

Another great band to help kick off the big pre-Fourth weekend is The Beach Boys, who'll do a pair of up-close concerts at Borgata's intimate 1000-seat Music Box Saturday night at 7 and again at 10:30 p.m. Sure to be a sellout at \$55 and \$49.50 tickets, fans will be flocking to join the boys of summer in their anthems "Surfin' USA," "Fun, Fun, Fun" and "California Girls."

It's a return to the Summer of Love as John Kay and Steppenwolf recall their counterculture launch at The House of Blues Music Hall at Showboat Saturday night at 9 p.m. Catch the Steppenwolf classics like "Born to be Wild,: "Magic carpet Ride" and "Hey Lawdy Mama." Tickets are \$42.

Caesars presents another country diva blockbuster this weekend at their newly rebuilt Circus Maximus Theater as Reba McEntire reprises her illustrious 30-year career with her new double-CD release "Reba #1's." Showtimes are Friday at 10 p.m. and Saturday at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$150 and \$100.

Eight-time Grammy winner Natalie Cole is back on the road for an extension of her Leavin' Tour, performing at Trump Marina's Grand Cayman Saturday at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$65 and \$45.

Movin' Out, the new musical running at Harrah's through August 21st, is already the summer's biggest sensation. The all-dancing smash which captivated Broadway in 2002-3 and then ran for three years on an international tour.

The Harrah's engagement is the kickoff of a new year-long North American tour. Defying the parameters of previous Broadway musicals, Movin' Out is more accurately characterized as a rock ballet, bringing us the most incredible dancing ever to hit our shores, indeed surpassing anything seen on Broadway. Conceived by worldfamed choreographer Twyla Tharpe, inspired by the generation-defining music of Billy Joel, the work threads together a fragile storyline tracing the lives and trials of a group of young people, interpreted in dance and accompanied by a score comprised of 28 Billy Joel hits music and vocals performed by a live band led by the Piano Man on a platform suspended above the dancers' stage.

Twyla Tharpe copped the Tony for her work on Movin' Out when it first opened on Broadway, and a well-earned trophy it is. The dozen or so dancers, all of whom boast classic ballet training, execute the most athletic maneuvers with gasp-inducing intensity. Because of the enormous non-stop energy of the production, there is a squad of stand-ins and swing dancers trading off for those dates when there are two performances scheduled.

The Piano Man, sounding for all the world like Billy Joel, narrates the thin story line through a series of Joel staples including "Just The Way You Are," "Uptown Girl," "We Didn't Start The Fire" and "She's Got a Way," concluding with "I'm in an Atlantic City (sic) State of Mind."

Movin' Out runs through August 21, with performances at 8 p.m.every Tuesday through Thursday and 9 p.m. every Friday. Two performances take place every Saturday at 4 p.m. and 9 p.m. as well as every Sunday at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Tickets are \$40, \$50, \$55, \$60, and \$70.



Guido (Nuno de Sousa) sings of being Casanova while Jodi Freeman Maloy, Terri Gorgone and Kathy Biel look on during 4th Wall Musical Theatre's production of "Nine."

Westminster Center on Cloud 'Nine'

an acclaimed theatre company in must come up with a hit movie to residence at Bloomfield College's Westminster Arts Center, is wrapping up the company's 10th many relationships with women as anniversary season with its production of "Nine," the musical.

Based on Fellini's classic film "8½," "Nine" is the story of famed

salvage his declining career. "Nine" details one man's navigation of his he struggles to accept responsibility for his past, his art and his future. This sexy, intriguing winner of the 1982 Tony Award for Best Musical film director Guido Contini who, delighted Broadway theatergoers



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Fourth Wall Musical Theatre, while suffering a midlife crises, with a hit revival in 2003 starring Antonio Banderas.

The production is directed by professional actor and director Patrick Starega. Deborah Martin serves as musical director. Maury Yeston, famous for creating the music for such audience favorites as "Grand Hotel," "Titanic" and his own version of "Phantom of The Opera" wrote the music for "Nine." The book is by three-time Tony nominee Arthur Kopit.

Remaining performances are scheduled for Friday and Saturday, June 29 and 30 at 8 p.m. at the Westminster Arts Center. Tickets are \$22 for adults and \$18 for students/seniors. For tickets, call 973-748-9000, ext. 279. Visa, Master-Card and American Express accepted. For more information, visit the Web site www.4thwalltheatre.com. "Nine" is not recommended for young children.

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12 MILES WEST: 12 Miles West Center for the Arts is located at 562 Bloomfield Ave., Bloomfield. For more information, call 973-259-9187 or visit the Web site www.12mileswest.org.

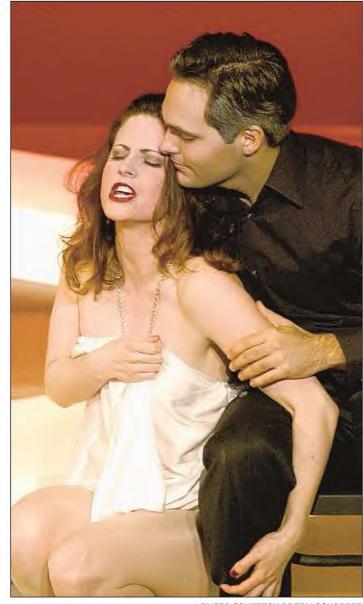


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Carla (Mandy Feiler) and Guido (Nuno de Sousa) share an intimate moment during the 4th Wall Musical Theatre production of "Nine."



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12 Miles selects 'funniest people'

Tanis of Englewood bested a tal-Outstanding Standup Competition at 12 Miles West.

The event was recently held as part of the second annual comedy festival "Improvapalooza," co-pro-duced by 12 Miles West Theatre Company in Bloomfield and Lunatic Fringe.

Also selected by audience vote

title were Tyler Anderson (Swedesboro), Jake Briggs (Pompton 1-9 a Lakes), Joe Kohle (Pequannock) Arts, and Eric Richards (Pompton field. Plains).

New Jersey's premiere improvisa- West.org.

In an exhilarating display of was the Funniest Kid in New Jer- tional comedy groups, and a terrif-comedic agility, comedian TC sey, Charlie Laud of Morristown. ic set from last year's winner of the Rounding out the competitors of Funniest Kid in New Jersey conented field of six finalists to win the children ages 9 to 18 vying for the test, Noah Levinson of Glen Ridge. "Improvapalooza" was held June 1-9 at 12 Miles West Center for the Arts, 562 Bloomfield Ave., Bloom-

For more information about 12 The Saturday evening kids' Miles West Center for the Arts, call showdown was topped off with the the theatre at 973-259-9187 or vis-8 antics of Lunatic Fringe, one of it the Web site www.12Miles-

'Swing on a Star' gala aids theater

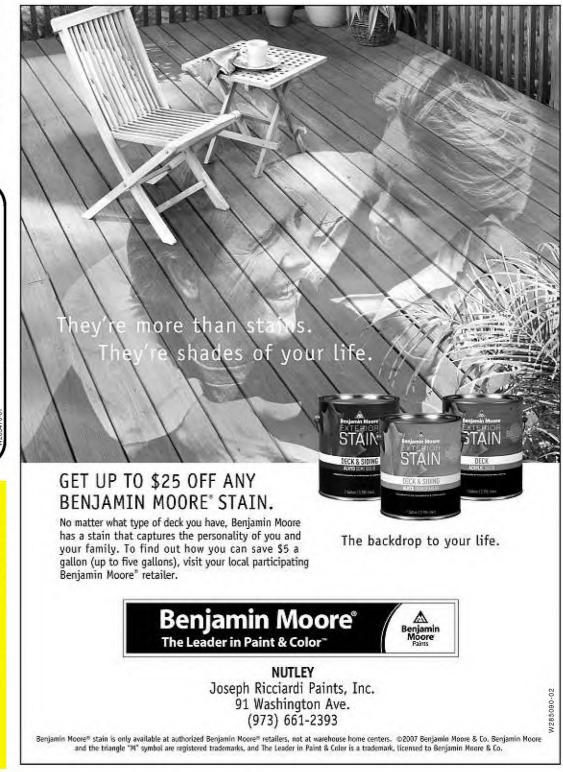
ny of Bloomfield celebrated its Fost, New Jersey School of Dra-15th anniversary during its recent "Swing on a Star" fundraising gala.

On hand for the festivities at Mayfair Farms in West Orange were Bloomfield Township Mayor Raymond McCarthy, Township of West Orange Mayor John McKeon, former Township of Montclair Mayor Robert Russo, New Jersey Theatre Alliance Executive Director John McEwen, local radio personality Mark Blaustein, Pushcart attendees, sponsors, advertisers, www.12MilesWest.org.

matic Arts Co-Director Robert Sapoff and Lunatic Fringe Execuamong many others. The evening featured performances by magi-Miss Julie, the music of Joan Streit and actor James Michael Reilly, who served as auctioneer.

12 Miles West Theatre Compa- Players Executive Director Ruth volunteers and donors for their support in making the eighth annual "Swing on a Star" successful. The funds raised are earmarked tive Director Deborah Maclean, for the theatre's general operating expenses.

12 Miles West Center for the cians Michael Turco and Charles Arts is located 562 Bloomfield Del Rosso, tarot card readings by Ave., two blocks West of the Garden State Parkway in downtown Bloomfield. For additional information, call the theatre at 973-259-12 Miles West credits the event's 9187 or visit the Web site



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University. She works for Prudential Financial as an associate man- 2008. ager of marketing and communi-

Frank and Patricia Jablonski of cations and is currently pursuing Belleville announce the engage- an MBA at Montclair State Uni-

Mr. Kennedy is a graduate of Montclair Kimberley Academy High School, St. Michael's College in Vermont, and the New Miss Jablonski is an alumna of York Film Academy. He is a Belleville High School and Rider trainer with Apple Computer Inc. The couple plans to wed in



Ann Marie Costa to marry Louis Luquinos

Peter and Ann Marie Costa of ley High School and Kean Univer-Middletown, formerly of Nutley, announce the engagement of their daughter, Ann Marie, to Louis S. Luquinos Jr., son of Josephine Luquinos of Kearny and the late Luis Lusquinos Sr.

The proposal was made April 17 in front of family and friends after prospective groom was the installed as the exalted ruler of the Nutley Elks. A dinner and dance followed.

Miss Costa, an alumna of Nut- 20.

sity, earned a master's degree in speech-language pathology at Nova Southeastern University in Florida. She is a speech-language pathologist at Academy Learning Center in Monroe.

Mr. Luquinos, a graduate of Kearny High School and Kean University, is a sixth grade math teacher in the Kearny public schools

The wedding is planned for Oct.



Katie Clark engaged to Michael Cocco

Announcement is made of the engagement of Katie Clark, ley High School and Penn State, daughter of Charles and Beverly is with his father's financial plan-Clark, to Michael Cocco, son of Sal and Donna Cocco of Nutley.

Miss Clark, born and raised in in the Westfield public schools.

Mr. Cocco, an alumnus of Nutning practice, AXA Advisors in Nutley.

The wedding is planned for Erie, Penn., graduated from Penn Aug. 9, 2008 at Penn State, with State. She is a third grade teacher receptions to be held in both New Jersey and Pennsylvania.



Gayle Hausner to wed Michael G. Turi

Arlene Hausner and Dr. and August 2008. Mrs. Robert Hausner of Wavne announce the engagement of their daughter, Gayle Sondra, to Michael Gerard Turi of Bloomfield, son of Mary E. Turi of Allendale. Belleville and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel G. Turi, Sr. of Ridgefield Park. The wedding is planned for fighter.

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

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

Highlighting our 2007 SLCA scholarship winners



Happy 74th birthday to Grace Dondarski of Florence Avenue, who celebrated on June 15. Nowhere can you find a more community-minded individual

who is dedicated and hardworking for her area. It is time to highlight our 2007

SLCA Scholarship winners. This year, we had five lucky children who were awarded \$500 each. Usually, we start with the ladies, but since there is only one young man, why not take him first.

Jonathan Serrano, a Heckel Street resident, is off to Rutgers University as a business major. What a busy beaver he was being a member of the Key Club, the Pep Club advisor, journalist for newspaper, editor of yearbook and captain of the varsity baseball team.

On the application, the last question asks, Tell us Why You

Love Silver Lake? Jonathan replied, "I love Silver Lake because I've lived here my entire life. The people around my home are all great friends and I'm extremely happy here. I love Silver Lake."

Natalie Minichini of Lake Street, is studying to be a teacher and plans to go to William Paterson University. Her activities in high school included softball, Pep Club, Key Club, Italian Club and chief editor of Apperations, a Belleville H.S. literacy

magazine. She worked part time at Peter's Pizzeria in The Lake and for the township's summer program. Natalie anwered her question,

"I have lived in Silver Lake all my life. I was brought up as a Silver Laker. Everyone within The Lake respects its boundaries and the people within it. Silver Lake is simply the best part of Belleville."

Stay tuned and we will spotlight Tiffany Muschio, Stacy Sanabria and Amanda Veniero. But in the meantime, if you want to see their names in lights, visit the SLCA signboard on Franklin Street.

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SPORTS

SENIOR LEGION BASEBALL

Judge, Vocaturo help Senior Legion to pair of wins

BY MIKE LAMBERTI for Belleville Times

baseball team played four solid games last week, earning two victories and getting back into the playoff hunt.

Joe Sorce's team battled West Orange earlier this week. This Ironbound won a 1-0 decision. evening, Caldwell comes to town for a 5:45 p.m. game and on Saturday, Newark Academy of Livingston visits for a double header at Belleville High, beginning at 10 a.m. On July 2, Nutley comes to town and on July 3, Belleville hosts Montclair.

"We had a real good week," Sorce said. "We started the year 0-4 but now, we're starting to get real good pitching and timely hitting. I like what I've seen this season."

Chris Judge, an upcoming junior at Belleville High this fall, pitched a tremendous game last week when Belleville won its first game of the year over West Orange, 6-3. Judge, a southpaw, struck out nine and walked three while yielding just three hits in six innings of work. Judge was also solid at the plate, collecting two hits and driving in two.

"Chris pitched very well," Sorce said. "He changed speeds well and kept them off balance."

Rob Vocaturo was 3 for 4, including a double and an RBI for

Belleville.

Belleville's next game was against Ironbound, a team made The Belleville senior legion up of players mostly from a very talented Newark East Side High team. Belleville and East Side staged a memorable game in the GNT semifinals, won by East Side in extra innings, 9-8. This time, Angel Gaud pitched a marvelous game for Belleville, striking out seven and giving up just one hit, in the first inning, when Ironbound tallied the game's only run.

"Angel really threw the ball well," Sorce said. "Ironbound has some good hitters and he was tremendous."

Last weekend, Belleville split a doubleheader with Newark Academy, losing the first game, 2-1, and winning the nightcap, 4-2. In the opener, Vocaturo pitched a good game, striking out five and allowing just two hits in 6 1/3 innings. In the second game, Judge got the win, pitching six innings of four-hit ball while striking out seven and walking one. Mark Balbach finished the game and got the save.

At the plate, Sean Gonzalez hit a two-run homer and finished 2 for 2 with two stolen bases, to lead Belleville.

"It was good to get the win in that second game," Sorce said. "That was a big win for us."

SPORTS UPDATES

Summer baseball

Summer baseball players and teams wanted for the Amateur Baseball Association of NJ. The ABA is the premier adult men's (18 & over) recreational baseball league in NJ. We are also the fastest growing league in Northern & Central NJ and will have multiple wood & metal skill level leagues. We had 62 teams in our Spring 2007 season.

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Jackals become "buddies" with local little league teams

With Little League baseball and softball season underway, the Jackals invite local youth sports teams to become Baseball Buddies. At each 2007 home game, one team will be invited to run onto the field with the Jackals players and stand on the field during the National Anthem. In addition, each member of the team will receive a t-shirt, courtesy of Re/Max of New Jersey.

The program is open to all local youth baseball organizations, and open dates are available for the upcoming season. Groups must reserve a minimum of 20 tickets. For more information, contact the Jackals Group Sales Department at (973) 746-7434 x8810.

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JUNIOR LEGION BASEBALL

Junior Legion team showing improvement

BY MIKE LAMBERTI for Belleville Times

It might not be reflected in the record, but the Belleville Junior Legion baseball team is showing signs of improvement.

Frank Fazzini's team was 0-8 going into a game with Verona on June 26. This evening, Montclair comes to town for a 5:45 p.m. game and on Sunday, it's off to Nutley for a 10 a.m. game. Belleville will then be off until July 8, when it closes out the regular season at home against Livingston.

"We have a group of kids who work hard every day," Fazzini said. "I can't fault the effort whatsoever. The kids are here every day for practice, they listen and are is Chris Bosea, an upcoming junior improving. It just takes time."

Fazzini has seen steady improvement in the team's overall game, including last Sunday's 5-2 the year playing in the outfield, but our pitchers. We're getting there."

loss to Caldwell.

"We pitched well and played better defense," Fazzini said. "At this level, we're trying to develop players for the J.V. and varsity, and that's what it's all about when you play legion ball."

A number of players have shown potential, beginning with pitcher Joe O'Donnell, an upcoming sophomore at Belleville High in September.

"He's pitching real well," Fazzini said of O'Donnell. "He throws hard and his mechanics continue to improve."

O'Donnell is also a talented shortstop, giving Belleville more versatility in its lineup. Belleville's leading hitter thus far

who is hitting .318.

"Our most consistent hitter," Fazzini said of Bosea. "He started

when some of our catchers went down with injuries, he stepped in and has done a very good job behind the dish."

Pete Fiala, a soon-to-be sophomore, has done well at third base and on the mound. Anthony Cianciulli, a junior, has seen time at second and third base and the outfield.

Andrew Inglis has shown consistency on the mound. In his last 12 innings of work, the sophomore has yielded just two earned runs.

"He's been real good in relief, shutting down rallies," Fazzini said of Inglis.

Mike Annichiara has been swinging the bat well of late, including a 3 for 5 day last Sunday. "We have some talented kids,"

Fazzini said. "We just have to hit better, continue to improve our defense and get quality starts from

COLLEGE NOTES Belleville's Guagliardi named women's soccer coach at Caldwell

Caldwell College has selected Nate Guagliardi to coach its women's soccer team, Caldwell's **Executive Director of Athletics** Mark A. Corino announced. Guagliardi, who graduated from Caldwell College in 2000, returns to his alma mater after coaching the Saddle Brook High School boys' soccer team for the past six years.

"We are glad to have Nate come back to Caldwell and lead our women's soccer program," Corino said. "He was a standout player when he was here, and he established himself as an excellent coach at the high school level. I'm confident Nate will do an outstanding job here and provide some stability to a program that has a lot of potential."

Guagliardi took over a boys' soccer program at Saddle Brook High School in 2001 that had won just six games in its previous six seasons combined and led the

team to its first conference title in 2003. Saddle Brook also advanced to the finals of the New Jersey Group 1 North Tournament that year. Guagliardi, who taught social studies and math at Saddle Brook Middle School for the past three years, also coached the junior varsity girls' basketball and baseball teams at Saddle Brook High. He began his teaching career at St. Gerard School in Paterson, N.J., where he taught English for four years.

A native of Belleville, N.J., Guagliardi was an all-State goalkeeper at Belleville High School before coming to Caldwell College in 1996. In 1997, Guagliardi became the Cougars' starting goalkeeper and recorded a school-record 11 shutouts to earn all-Northeast Region honors. His 16 career shutouts also are the most in the program's 15-year history. He graduated in 2000 after majoring in Education and

Social Studies.

Guagliardi takes over a Cougars' squad that returns nine players from last year's team that went 7-11-1 and missed the Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference Tournament for the first time in three years. Two-time all-CACC first team selection Carla Bleiler and 2005 CACC Player of the Year Brook DeLucca (Nutley, NJ/Nutley) are among the key returnees.

"Coming back and giving back to Caldwell College is an exciting opportunity for me and I can't wait for the season to start," Guagliardi said. "Being a Caldwell alum, I'm looking forward to taking over a program that began when I was a student here and building on the success the team has had the past few years." Guagliardi lives in Pompton Plains, N.J., with his wife Deena.

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Basketball players wanted

Basketball players and teams wanted for the ABA of Northern NJ. Our summer basketball season will begin 6/18 at the Boys & Girls Club of Clifton. Play will be a combination of Mondays and Thursdays from 6:30-9:30 some team slots are available. A & B Divisions of 5 teams each. 12 games + playoffs. \$1200 team fee or \$120 individual player fee.

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Celebrating 22 years servicing the youth of the Glen Ridge area and surrounding communities, this program is a fundamental camp that encourages individual

skill work and team play while providing a fun and competitive atmosphere for campers at diverse levels of skill and ability. The fee of \$235.00 per week includes a camp T-shirt, two games per day, fundamental instruction, contest and awards.

For more information and a registration brochure contact Maria DiCondina, camp director at (973) 403-8096 or visit the web site at www.bebasketballcamps.com

Multi-Sport Camp

"M & M Multi-Sport Camps" for boys and girls ages six through twelve will also run at Glen Ridge High School the weeks of July 23-27, July 30-August 3, August 6-10 and August 13-17. Camp hours are 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The fee is \$220.00 per session. Campers participate in a variety of sport activities throughout the day.

For more information and a registration brochure contact Maria DiCondina, camp director at (973) 403-8096 or visit the web site at www.bebasketballcamps.com

MVP Sports Camps

MVP Sports Camps will mark its 30th year at Glen Ridge High School this summer from June 25 through July 20. All boys and girls ages 6-14 are eligible to attend.

New this year will be the softball camp, featuring pitching coach Tara Wisz Houser, also coaching will be long-time GRHS baseball coach and Athletic Director, and camp director Lou Calderone.

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For an application or for more information, call 434-361-2226, or visit mvpcamps.com.

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Don't share. While every parent wants to teach their children to share, in this instance, not sharing should earn a child brownie points. Wash cloths, towels and pillowcases should not be shared. Once a wash cloth or towel has been used, launder immediately. After your child wakes up in the morning, change the pillowcases and wash those immediately as well.

Not sharing extends beyond the linen closet as well. Eye care products, such as drops or lens cleaners, should not be shared, nor should mascara or other cosmetic items.

Avoid close contact with others. While parents will want to kiss their kids goodnight, do so with caution while not alienating your child.

Seek a doctor's advice. If your child wears contact lenses but conjunctivitis keeps coming back, it might be time to revert to regular eyeglasses. If a child doesn't wear glasses but has a history of conjunctivitis, bring that up with their eye doctor, especially if the doctor feels it's time for glasses or contact lenses.

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District 4 blood bank, hosted by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 493, on Thursday, June 28 (today) from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., at VFW Post 493, 271 Washington Ave., Nutley. All blood types are needed. Your support is appreciated. Call 235-9661 for directions.

Alzheimer's Association

support group, Wednesday, July 18, at 7 p.m., in the Nutley Public Affairs Building, 149 Chestnut St., Nutley.

Yoga in June, a one-hour yoga class is held on Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. at Nutley Red Cross, 169 Chestnut Street, Nutley. Experience how yoga is a great tool to balance our busy, stressfilled lives. The prices are \$15 for a drop-in and \$50 for the 4-class series. We are going to the beach in July, so look for us again in August. For more information, call Melody 201-774-9041 or e-mail mlly517@aol.com.

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College's Westminster Hall, 31 Fremont St., Bloomfield, Friday, Sept. 14 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The fundraiser will be held in memory of "Mr. Bassman" 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.

Myrtle Beach Show trip, presented by the Nutley Park Side Association, will be held from September 23-29, for a price of \$569. This price includes: bus transportation, 6 nights lodging including 4 consecutive nights in the Myrtle Beach area,

6 breakfasts and 4 dinners, guided tour of Charleston, La Grande Cirque at the Palace Theatre, The Alabama Theatre and Carolina Opry, Dolly Parton's Dixie Stampede Dinner Show, a visit to Broadway at the Beach and much more. Departure will be at the Nutley Park Side Association, 7 William St., Nutley, at 8 p.m. For more information, call Louise Iovino @ 661-0096.

Tour of Italy, for the Association of Sons, Daughters and Families of 5th Army Veterans of WWII, Italian Campaign. Family members of veterans who battled Nazi forces from 1943 to 1945 will visit Italy for a nostalgic tour of cities, towns and places their fathers and grandfathers fought and died for. The trip will leave

New York City, JFK Airport, on October 14. Those interested in joining the tour can call Sy Canton at 561-865-8495 or write to him at 5121-B Nesting Way, Delray Beach, FL 33484.

The Nutley Jaycees Senior Miss Scholarship, will be

THURSDAY, JUNE 28, awarded to a deserving Nutley resident graduating in the Class of 2008. The contestants will compete in the categories of scholastic achievement, judge's interview, talent, youth fitness 2007 activities, presence and composure. The Senior Miss Scholarship Program is funded by the Nutley Jaycees and is designed to recognize, reward and encourage excellence in high school girls. The competition is SEE AREA EVENTS, PAGE 24



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TIMES



Frances Veronica Strenck

Frances Veronica Strenck (nee ਸ਼ੂ Mataitus), 84, of Belleville died on June 20 in Clara Maass Continuing SCare Center, Belleville. Services \Re will be private at the request of the g family. Arrangements were by the Livine-Cozzarelli Memorial Home, S Belleville.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Strenck A lived there for 35 years before mov- \cong ing to Belleville 49 years ago.

She was predeceased by her husband, Charles Paul Strenck, and was the mother of Charles Richard Strenck, Mrs. Cecelia Stanley and Stephen Strenck, and grandmother of one grandson.

Rev. Dr. Frederick Long

Funeral services and burial were held for Rev. Dr. Frederick L. Long, 84, who died May 26, in Hilliard, Ohio, in New Port Richey, Fla., on June 22.

Dr. Long was the rector of Christ Episcopal Church, Belleville, for 32 years. He was a trustee of the Belleville Public Library Board and chaplain of the Belleville Fire Department. He retired to Port Richey in 1990, where he served as an associate priest at St. Stephens Episcopal Church in New Port Richey.

Dr. Long was the husband of the late Virginia Campbell Long for 54 years.

The couple spent 52 years as tenters in Ocean Grove, where he served as an associate trustee for the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association. Ordained in the Episcopal Church in 1956, he was vested as an archdeacon of communication in the Episcopal Diocese of Newark for his radio and television ministries.

Dr. Long was a Master Mason, a Shriner and past patron of the OES, all in New Jersey.

Dr. Long is survived by his sev-

en children, their spouses and 10 grandchildren.

Marion Edna Burd

A funeral service was held for Marion Edna Burd, 94, on June 22, in Georgian Reception Chapel.

Mrs. Burd died June 18, in Job Haines Home, Bloomfield. She was born in Orange and resided in Belleville for 80 years.

Mrs. Burd was employed with Eastwood-Nealy and was a member of the Belleville Dutch Reform Church.

She is survived by her son Lamar Burd and his wife Janice; her sister Ruth Kimble Vryhof; several nieces and nephews as well as two grandchildren.

Ronald Earl Thompson, Sr.

A memorial service was held for Ronald "Ron" Earl Thompson, Sr., 73, of Wilmington, NC, June 23 in Andrews Mortuary Valley Chapel. Mr. Thompson passed away,

June 20. He attended Belleville High School, and later went on to achieve a higher degree of education from Lincoln Technical Institute. Mr. Thompson joined the service in 1952, during the Korean War, and was stationed aboard the USS Amphion. He was honorably discharged in 1954. After returning home from the Navy, he married his high school sweetheart, Joan Marie Brady, in 1957.

joined the Department Mr. Thompson Belleville Police where he served for 27 years, retiring as a sergeant. In 1988, he relocated to Wilmington, N.C.

Surviving are his wife, Joan Marie Thompson; sons, Ronald E. Thompson, Jr. and wife, Judy and Steven J. Thompson and wife, Martha; daughters, Lynn M. Mot-Lauren C. Thompson; eight grand- predeceased by Norma (Lanno)

children, Michael, Kevin and Steven Mottola, Connor, Garett, Parker, and Alyssa Thompson; one great grandchild, Camryn Thompson; a brother, Frank Thompson and a sister, Gertrude Richardson.

Anthony Casale

A Mass was held for Anthony Casale, 87, of Clifton, formerly of Belleville, on June 27 in Holy Family Church, Nutley, after the funeral from the Megaro Memorial Home, Belleville.

Anthony Casale, passed away June 24 in the Arbor Glen Nursing Home, Cedar Grove.

Mr. Casale was a supervisor at Resistoflex in Roseland before retiring 20 years ago after 40 years. Mr. Casale served in the U.S. Army during World War II and received a Purple Heart.

He is survived by his son, Caesar; a daughter, Victoria Alden; brothers, Ralph and Caesar; and grandchildren, Joseph, Alessa and Danielle. He was predeceased by his wife, Louise (nee Sperduto).

Charles A. Mailot

A chapel service was held for Charles A. Mailot, 76, of Passaic Park, formally of Belleville, on June 27 at East Ridgelawn Cemetery, Clifton after the funeral from the Biondi Funeral Home of Nutley.

Charles A. Mailot passed away on June 23, in Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville.

Born in Lyndhurst, Mr. Mailot lived most of his life in Belleville before moving to Passaic Park. He was employed as an operating engineer for Local 825, Springfield, before retiring five years ago. Mr. Mailot was a Korean War veteran, serving as a U.S. Army paratroop-er with the 82nd Airborne Division.

Mr. Mailot is survived by his tola and husband, Michael and wife of 30 years, Diana, and was

Nicole Thompson, Mailot, his first wife. He is also sur- 37 years and later at Burnell Platvived by his sons, Charles L. Mailot and his wife, Estee, and John A. Mailot, deputy police chief of Belleville, and his wife, Tammy; his grandchildren Charles L., Jason D., Michael, John and his companion. Sarah and one great-granddaughter, Julianna. He was the brother of Joyce OBrien, Carol Vreeland and Richard Mailot.

Rose Ricciardelli

A funeral Mass was held in memory of Rose Ricciardelli (nee Radice) 89, of Nutley, on June 26 at St. Lucy's Church, Newark, after the funeral from the Biondi Funeral Home of Nutley.

Mrs. Rose Ricciardelli passed away on June 22, in Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Ricciardelli lived in Belleville before moving to Nutley five years ago.

She was predeceased by her husband, Martie Ricciardelli, and is survived by her five children, including Frances Leonardo, Josephine Murray, widow of Newark Firefighter James M. Murray, Arthur Ricciardelli and Ernest Ricciardelli; five grandchildren, including Albert Leonardo Jr. and Tracy Ricciardelli; a brother, Gerard Radice; and three sisters, Philomena Capobianco, Antoinette LaNeve and Julia Ruccia.

Anthony J. Bruno

A funeral Mass in memory of Anthony J. Bruno, 88, of Belleville, was offered on June 25 at St. Lucy's Church, Newark, after the funeral from the Biondi Funeral Home of Nutley.

Anthony J. Bruno passed away June 20 at the Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville.

Mr. Bruno was born in East Orange and lived in North Arlington before moving to Belleville 18 years ago. He was a polisher at Academy Plating Co., Newark, for

ing, East Orange, for 10 years. He was also employed by the North Arlington Board of Education Grounds Department for two years. Mr. Bruno was a member of the Belleville Tuesday Senior Citizens Club and a past member and officer of the North Arlington Senior Citizens Club.

He is survived by his daughters, Filomena (Phyllis) Frantantoni and her husband, Vincent, and Judith Ann Bennett and her husband, Ronald; his brother, Jack Bruno and his wife, Connie, and his sister, Mary Tobia and her husband, Alfonse. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Vincent, Anthony, Phyllis Ann Frantantoni and Wynne Ashley Bennett; his greatgrandson, Trevor John Frantantoni, and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his loving wife of 49 years, Maria (Lucy) (nee Carnevale) Bruno; his son, Anthony G. Bruno, and his brothers, Philip and Louis Bruno.

Marie L. Biasin

There was a graveside service on June 21 for Marie L. Biasin, 67, of Belleville.

Marie L. Biasin passed away on Iune 17 at her home.

Born in Newark, she has lived in Belleville since 1958. She was an office worker for Prudential Insurance Co. in Newark before retiring 12 years ago.

She is survived by her brother, Gerardo Biasin and was predeceased by her parents, Madeline (Scaglia) and Victor Biasin; and her brother Rudolph.

Michael C. Ventura

A memorial Mass was celebrated for Michael C. Ventura, 83, on June 23 at Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church.

Michael C. Ventura passed away

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on June 18 at his home. Mike was born in Jersey City on July 16, 1923, the son of the late Joseph and Rose Ventura. He lived in Belleville for 49 years before

moving to Harrisburg, PA in 2001. Micha He was a World War II Veteran, having spent three years in the U.S. Navy as a gunner. After the war, he worked as an insurance salesman for Metlife and later Prudential Insurance Company, until retiring in 1988. decea He is survived by a son, years.

Michael J. Ventura; daughter, Susan (Ventura) Durre and husband, Lee Muth; daughter, Ellen (Ventura) DeStefano and husband, Dennis; and grandchildren, Christa, Cassandra, Alyson, Chelsea and Shane. He was predeceased by his wife Sue of 57 years.

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.

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Wesley United **Methodist Church**

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Wesley United Methodist Church is offering their free Vaca- \cong July 9 to July 13, from 9 a.m. to Enoon. The theme for this fun, learning experience is "Adventure of the Treasure Seekers: Exploring God's Promises." Each day will be filled with music, stories, crafts, snacks and recreation.

Registration will begin on Monday, July 9, at 9 a.m. or e-mail the administer healing oil to all inter-

church anytime. For more information, call 973-751-2741.

Wesley United Methodist Church is located at 225 Washington Ave., Belleville. Contact the church at 973-751-2741 or e-mail church@wesleyumcnj.org.

Bethany Lutheran Church

Healing Prayers

Pastor Nancy S. Moore will

ested worshippers during prayers Canaan II, will be held at Bethany Study from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at following each worship service on Sunday, July 1. 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.

Ice Cream Sunday

Bethany Lutheran Church parishioners will enjoy Ice Cream Sunday on July 15 following the 10:15 a.m. worship service. The church will supply the ice cream and attendees are encouraged to bring their favorite toppings to this annual summer treat in the church hall. Everyone is welcome!

Vacation Bible School

Lutheran Church this year during the week of Monday, July 23, through Friday, July 27, from 9 a.m. until noon. Everyone is welcome to participate.

Bible Study

The Reverend Nancy S. Moore, pastor of Bethany Lutheran Church 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 Vacation Bible School, Iglesia spiritual insights during Bible

First Lutheran in Kearny (enter through the back parking lot). Anyone is welcome to attend either or both of these fascinating discussions

Iglesia Luterana

Bethany Lutheran Church celebrates a unique and popular Lutheran Latino service, "Iglesia Luterana" every Sunday evening at 5 p.m. The Rev. Nancy S. Moore presides over the service and the distribution of Holy Communion every week. Once a month she delivers a sermon that is simultaneously interpreted into Spanish. Diaconal ministers Pedro Dulanto and Madeline Dulanto assist the pastor in the Lutheran liturgical worship 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

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Gwen Sanchez of Bethany Lutheran Church teaches weekly English-as-a-Second-Language classes at the church. The classes run from 8:45 p.m. to 10:15 p.m. every Tuesday. Everyone is wel-come to attend. Please call the church for further information.

Bethany Lutheran Church is a "Reconciling in Christ" parish of Lutherans Concerned, welcoming and including gay and lesbian persons. It is the stated policy of this congregation to welcome and fully include persons of every race, age, gender, marital status, ability and sexual orientation. The church is located at 188 New Street, Belleville, and the phone number is 973-759-1555.

River of Life Assembly of God

Summer Sermons Series

"Wanted: God's Outlaws," on Sunday mornings in June and July. In the 11 a.m. services, Pastor Randy Nichols and staff will explore Biblical characters who were, at one time or another, wanted by the authorities, living on the lam, actually thrown in prison, or worse. Come and let the life experiences of these men and women from scripture speak to your heart.

"Rev. Nick at Nite: The Lost Episodes'

This will be held on Wednesdays in June and July at 7:30 p.m. Using

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WORSHIP BRIEFS

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classic TV episodes as a springboard, Rev. Randy Nichols leads a discussion-rich interactive

Bible study series on topics ranging from honesty to temptation to betrayal. Expect some new material from "The Dick Van Dyke Show," "Beverly Hillbillies," and more.

Avalanche Ranch Summer VBS for Kids!

Get ready for a "Wild Ride through God's Word" from July 23-27. Come join "Witchita Joe" and his posse on a western adventure you'll never forget!

Free admission for kids ages 6-11. Enjoy wild games, snacks, crafts, awesome Bible adventures, and more. Plus cool prizes every night!

Register today at www. RiverofLifeWeb.com or see Children's Pastor Joe Rodriguez at River of Life.

Sermons Online

New ministry available anytime: Sermons online. If you would like to experience a service at River of Life, but have been unable to attend, try the next best thing, free downloads of recent Sunday Sermons.

Go to www.riveroflifeweb.com /media.htm and listen from your desktop, or save files to your iPod for listening on the go.

River of Life Assembly of God is located at 174 Holmes St., Belleville. Call the Church at 973-759-0726.

Christ Episcopal Church

Blood Drive

Christ Church has announced a blood drive to be held in cooperation with the American Red Cross on Friday, June 29 (tomorrow) from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the church. To schedule an appointment e-mail thompsonand@usa .redcross.org or call the parish office.

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.

Christ Church is an inclusive church in the Anglican tradition, located at 393 Washington Ave., Belleville. For more information, call 973-751-

Christian Apostolic Church

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

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

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." 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

month is Extreme Youth Group for all ages.

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

Christian Apostolic Church is wheelchair accessible and is located at 88 Wallace St., Belleville. To reach the church office, call 973-751-2290.

p.m. The second Friday of the St. Mary's Church

Festival of Faith

Celebrate your Catholic identity and join together to participate in the gift of faith at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark, on Saturday, Sept. 29, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Events include Mass and Eucharistic Adoration, Multi-lingual Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, dynamic

speakers, music and cultural cele-[№] brations and Archdiocesan Expo. Some festival events will take place at nearby Barringer High, School and the Archdiocesan Center.

The day will conclude with the celebration of Mass at 6 p.m. Admission is free. For more infor-497-4353.



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Finding yourself underneath an alias

series was a show called "Alias H Smith & Jones." This show was set,

not in the wild west days, but in the 5 time when the west was shrinking Rand when desperados could no glonger hide out in the wide open spaces. With the expansion of civ-gilization and the success of the Pinkerton detectives, outlaws were forced to take on assumed identities and to take on lives that were Estrange to them, all the while knowing that they were still wanted for their crimes.

A familiar Bible story tells us that Moses himself was an outlaw, and forced to live on the lam, taking on a new identity and a new life, out of fear for prosecution for his crimes. Exodus 2:11-15 says that Moses

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The last attempt by network committed murder, and to avoid television to produce a "western" arrest and a sure death penalty, "Moses fled from Pharaoh and went to live in Midian, where he sat down by a well." Moses was born Hebrew and raised Egyptian, but now he would have to take on the identity of a Midianite. Because of his guilt, he would never be able to see his family, his friends and his home. He would have to forfeit his status and financial position, which he had as a grandson of Pharaoh. He would have to forsake the spiritual heritage of his Jewish birth family. He would be forced to live as someone else. On the lam. Life as he knew it was over. He would now be a Midianite shepherd. All day.

Every day. For the rest of his life. That is, until one day when he got out of his well-worn rut to

examine a most unusual bush that who has seen dreams crushed and omy 4:29 says, "if you seek the was on fire (Exodus chapter 3). On a life derailed by the guilt of the past. LORD, you will find him - if you that day, he met God and everything changed. He was reconnected to his spiritual heritage and to his real family. He would come out of obscurity in the backside of the desert to be a remarkable leader who would save many lives from slavery and death. Yes, after he met God that day, the rest, as they say, is history.

Perhaps you know someone

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St. Mary's Food Pantry needs restocking

While the number of families it helps keeps going up, its supply of food keeps going down and needs regular replenishing. Currently, 44 bags of non-perishable food are distributed monthly to local fami-

Items needed regularly include: juice, crackers, rice, canned vegetables, sauces, tea, Bisquick and syrup, canned chicken, canned stews and canned fruits. Your donations are much

appreciated.

With your support and prayers, we can help eliminate this local hunger crisis.

Perhaps you know someone who seems relegated to live out a life that is not really who they are. Perhaps you know someone who is stuck in a rut, going through the motions day after day, but with no purpose. Perhaps that person is you?

Good News: You can still veer off that well-worn path and see if there is something more to life. You can still encounter God. Deuteron-

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

Religious retreat in Assisi, Italy

The Church is sponsoring a 10day trip from July 2 to 12, including a four-day religious retreat in the city of St. Francis. There will be Mass at the Basilica of St. Francis and sightseeing in Umbria. Then it's three days of sightseeing in Rome and Mass at the Vatican. 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

look for him with all your heart and with all your soul." God still speaks. God still changes lives. And when you meet him, the rest will be history. Lift your eyes from your daily sheep trail today. Who knows? A burning bush may be just up ahead!

> Rev. Randy Nichols River of Life Assembly

director. For more info visit www.assisifestival.com or call Select Travel at 800-752-6787.

16th Annual Italian Festival

Planning is underway for our 16th Annual Italian Festival. It will be Thursday, Sept 20 through Sunday, Sept. 23.

The cost of printing the tickets is \$1500 and we are hoping that someone would like to help and donate the cost of the tickets. It could be a business, a family, a memorial, etc.

Call Lynn Falduto at the rectory if you are interested.

To reach the rectory at Holy Family Church, 28 Brookline Ave., Nutley, call 973-667-0026.





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THURSDAY, JUNE

Scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 24, at Nutley High School. "Orientation for applicants will be held in mid-October. Applications will be available at the Nutley High School Guidance

Department office or by S contacting Mike Paolino at 667-87315 or write to 161 Ohlson Ave., ∞ัNutley.

Fitness class, Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Nutley. The price is \$10 per class or \$75 for eight classes. Class taught by nationally certified personal fitness trainer. Cardio moves to music, floor exercises, calisthenics, Pilatesbased moves and stretching. To register, e-mail smdunnfit @optonline.net or call 201-294-

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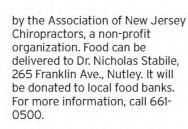
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HealthLink Radio with Bob Mann

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

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

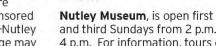
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Montclair, Glen Ridge and Nutley residents 60 years of age or over who are mobile or require minimal assistance. Sponsored by Montclair-Glen Ridge-Nutley chapter. People of any age may get transportation to radiation, dialysis, physical therapy or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

Voter registration nights, 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.



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

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

Nutley Family Service Bureau thrift shop, located at 172 Chestnut St., is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday evenings from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. and every other Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. All proceeds benefit the Nutley Family Service Bureau. Donations are welcome. To volunteer, call Jolinda Griwert at 667-6322 or Kathy Coughlin at 284-1208.

REUNIONS...

U.S.S. Coral Sea cva-43 Association yearly reunion, in Las Vegas, NV, from Oct. 3 to 7. Contact Jack Weber at 299a Yardley Drive, Monroe, NJ 08831 or by phone at 609-860-0224; or Robert Nerbetski at 4 Atkins Terrace, East Rutherford, NJ 07073, by phone at 201-438-5269 or e-mail at cvb43 @comcast.net.

Bloomfield High School Class of 1947 reunion, Thursday, Oct.

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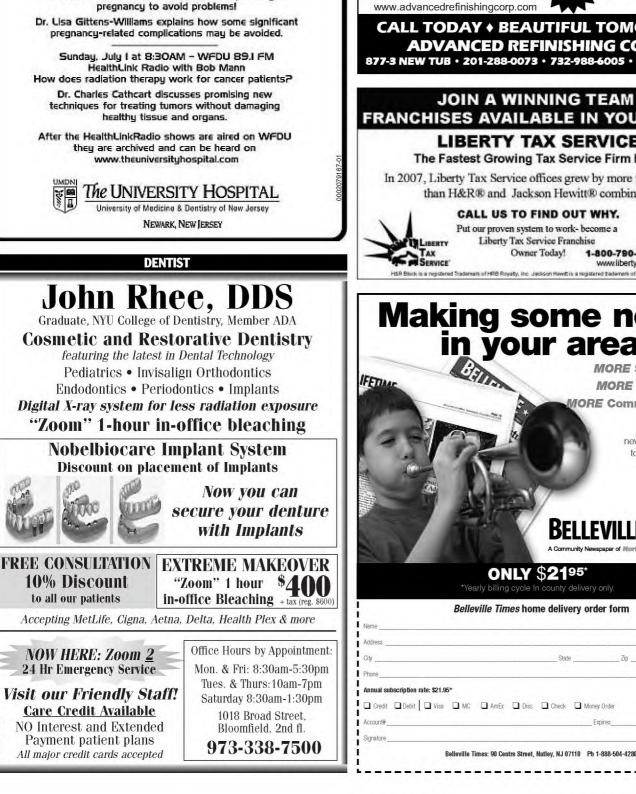
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WHICH PAIN MEDICATION TO GIVE YOUR KIDS

Canadian researchers recently conducted a study that will likely help parents treat their children for pain. The first direct study between three common painkillers shows that ibuprofen works best on kids with broken bones, bruises, and sprains. The study which involved the treatment of 300 children in hospital emergency rooms, showed that ibuprofen (sold under brand names such as Advil and Motrin) beat generic acetaminophen (Tylenol) and codeine. The youngsters, who ranged in age from 6 to 17, were randomly given one of the three medications. A half-hour after treatment, all rated their pain levels similarly. However, starting at an hour after taking the medications, the ibuprofen users reported significantly greater pain relief than the other two groups.

There are a myriad of pain relief options available, but when you are treating chilren that selection becomes narrower. A ROSSMORE PHARMACY, located at 338 Washington Avenue, we stay up to date on the latest studies so that we may provide you with the most accurate and most recent information. Questions? Call 973-759-1968 or 973-759-1956. Greeting cards, cosmetics, toiletries, cameras and film, Timex watches, radios, baby needs, Russell Stover candies, and other gift items are available.

HINT: Ibuprofen may work better for pain caused by trauma because it targets inflammation (acetaminophen and codeine do not) W285352-01



AREA EVENTS

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4, 2007, from 12 noon to 4 p.m. at Doolan's in Spring Lake. For more information or to be added to the mailing list, call Dorothy Eadie Johnson at 338-1763 or e-mail Djoh688204@aol.com.

Nutley High School Class of

1967, to hold its 40th class reunion Saturday, Oct. 6 at the Nutley Elks. Price is \$40 per person. The Reunion Planning Committee is currently seeking classmates to attend. Interested members can log onto the Web site www.nhsclassof67.com to register. Alternatively, e-mail your current contact information: name (include maiden name if married), address, phone number and email address to dsarnold27 @comcast.net. For additional information, call 667-4871.

Belleville High School Class of 1982, 25th reunion at the Landmark in East Rutherford on Friday, Nov. 23. For more information, visit the Web site

www.bhsreunion.booch.net or e-mail reunioncommuttee @booch.net. Also call Lori Racioppi at 201-206-2078.

MEETINGS...

VFW Ladies Auxiliary to Stuart E. Edgar Post 493 Veterans of Foreign Wars meet at the Post Home, 271 Washington Ave., Nutley. Membership is open. Write to: Stuart E. Post 493 Auxiliary, 136 Centre St., Nutley, NJ 07110. The Auxiliary sponsors many important programs benefiting veterans and their families.

Nutley AARP #2052

meetings, July/Aug., no meeting; Sept. 13, Dr. David Mercaldo, author of "Seamstress"; Oct. 11, Jennifer Brylinski, fiddle player, sing along; Nov. 8, Hunterdon Hills Playhouse; Dec. 13, Christmas party. Meetings are on the second Thursday of each month. New members welcome. Any questions, call Jo Brylinski at 667-2514.

Belleville AARP #2051 meetings, on the first

Wednesdays at 1 p.m. at the

senior center, 125 Franklin Ave., Belleville except during July and August. Dues are \$3 plus national membership. Open to anyone over age 50.

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

Bloomfield Lions, meets 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. at the Town Pub on the second and fourth Monday of every month through June.

Belleville Lions, 12:15 p.m. first and third Wednesdays, The Grapevine, 190 Passaic Ave., Belleville.

Women's Club of Nutley,

meetings held at 7:30 p.m., second Tuesdays, at Vreeland House, 216 Chestnut St., Nutley. Seeking new members. For information, call 284-1271.

Woman's Club of Belleville, 7 p.m. second Mondays,

clubhouse, 51 Rossmore Pl.. Belleville. Prospective members are welcome. Info, call Judi Nucci at 751-2960.

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

Belleville Senior Citizens Club, Inc., 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Senior Building, Franklin Ave. and Mill St.

Belleville Knights of Columbus **#835,** council meetings every first and third Monday at 8 p.m. Vocations breakfast every first Sunday from 7 p.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Nutley Knights of Columbus, meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 8 p.m. at Our TIMES Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Nutley.

Belleville/Nutley Kiwanis Club, 6:30 p.m. Thursdays, Branch Brook Manor, Washington Ave., Belleville. Info, Mario Drozdz, 751-2277 or Susan Kintscher, 661-2623.





HURSDAY,

Board of Trustees meeting There will be a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Belleville Bublic Library and Information Center on Wednesday, July 11, at 6

Teen summer reading program The 2007 New Jersey Summer

Reading Program "Read to Fly" is gready to take off at the Belleville Public Library. Teens are invited to Sread seven library books and they Scould have a chance to win a flight in a hot-air balloon, and/or Blue Sky Club VIP passes to the Quick E Check New Jersey Festival of Ballooning on Saturday, July 28. Entry forms are available in the library and must be stamped with a postmark no later than July 10.

"Eight Great Live Monday Nights"

The annual "Eight Great Live Monday Nights" at the Belleville Library is here! It began on July 9 and continues through August 20 with a performance by the Belleville Library Players. Go to the Library's Children's Room for more information.

Book Sale

The weather is getting warmer... the beach chairs are beckoning ... wouldn't you like something to read while away on the long summer days?

The Belleville Public Library's Book Sale has begun! Stock up on books to read and audiotapes to listen to! We even have a special

section for children's books. Books until August 24. For more infor- e-mail, reference@bellpl.org for all are priced at \$1 each for hardcover or 3 for \$2. Paperbacks are \$.50 each or 3 for \$1. Audiotapes and discs are \$2 each. With any questions, call 973-450-3434.

Reading Buddies program for teens and children

Reading Buddies is a program which partners teen volunteers with children in Grades k-2 to share a love of reading while supporting early reading skills. Teens provide non-judgmental support and positive encouragement for young children becoming, in effect, reading models for them.

The Reading Buddies program will begin at the Belleville Public Library on July 9 and continue

mation, contact Librarian Louise Yan at 973-450-3434, e-mail her at lyan@bellepl.org or come in to see her in person.

Teen Net at the Library

The Belleville Public Library is proud to introduce "Teen Net," the library's new website for teens. The site consists of four sections: Current Events, which lists current activities, seminars, parties and other events; Resources, which links to recent award-winning teen books, book and movie reviews, new books and NextReads, which suggests follow-up reading; Links and Websites for teens; and BPL Teen Volunteer information, which invites Belleville teens to become a part of the Library's Teen Advisory Council.

Belleville Library opens blog

The Belleville Library is pleased to announce that you can keep abreast of library events, news and happenings from the comfort of your home computer. Visit our weblog at http://blog.bellepl.org. Don't forget the other library services offered online, such as: JerseyClicks, a multiple database search for encyclopedia, magazine, newspaper and journal articles; ListenNJ, a service that allows the user to download audiobooks for listening on their computer or MP3 player; and our reference staff

other inquiries. All these services are offered free of charge to Belleville Library cardholders, and can be accessed from our website at http://www.bellepl.org.

Baby and toddler storytimes

The Belleville Library Children's Room offers weekly storytimes for children ages newborn to 5. Baby classes are on Wednesdays at 10 a.m., toddler classes are on Wednesdays at 11:30 a.m., and Preschool classes are on Wednesdays at 2 p.m. For more information, call the Children's Room at 973-450-3434 or visit our website at http://www.bellepl.org/croom.

Wednesday afternoon 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.

The Belleville Public Library is located at 221 Washington Ave., Belleville. Hours are Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For information call 973-450-3434.

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June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2007 SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 2007 004210 SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F159407 U.S. BANK NA-TIONAL ASSOCIATION PLAINTIFF -vs-LORAINE DIBIASE, ET AL. DEFENDANTS Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises By virtue of the above stated writ of Execu-tion, to me directed, I shall expose for sale by Public Auction, in SHERIFF'S OFFICE, Essex County Courts Building in Newark, on Tuesday, July 10, 2007, at one-thirty P.M. (Prevailing Time). Commonly known as: 28 PARKWAY W BLOOMFIELD, NJ 07003 Lot: 8 Block: 366 Size: 24.46 X 10.01 X 100.00 X 34.33 X 98.17 feet Nearest cross street name: BERKELEY 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. All interested parties are to conduct and rely upon their own independent investigation to ascertain whether or not any outstanding in-terest remain of record and/or have priority over the lien being foreclosed and, if so the current amount due thereon. The approximate amount of the Judgment to be satisfied by said sale is the sum of threet HUNDRED NINETY FOUR THOU-SAND FOUR HUNDRED NINETY SEVEN AND 41/100 DCLARS (\$394,497.41), to-gether 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. June 04, 2007 ARMANDO B. FONTOURA, Sheriff PHELAN, HALLINAN & SCHMIEG, P.C. ATORNEY(S) Belleville Times - 2074662 Fee \$25.59 June 21, 28, July 5, 2007

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SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 2007 004213 SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F1252706 MTGLQ INVEST-ORS, L.P.. PLAINTIFF vs- RITA M. CAS-TRO DEPASSOS; ET AL. DEFENDANTS Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises By virtue of the above stated writ of Execu-tion, to me directed, I shall expose for sale by Public Auction, in SHERIFF'S OFFICE, Essex County Courts Building in Newark, on Tuesday, July 10, 2007, at one-thirty P.M. (Prevailing Time). Commonly known as: 394 STEPHENS ST BELLEVILLE, NJ 07109 Lot: 8 Block: 8803 aka Block 90 Size: APPROX, 150 X 31 feet Nearest cross street: LITTLE STREET SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 2007 004213

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. SUBJECT TO ANY OPEN TAXES, WATER/SEWER, MUNICIPAL OR TAX LIENS THAT MAY BE DUE. THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE FOR WATER IS \$310.82 AS OF 4/16/2007. The approximate amount of the Judgment to be satisfied by said sale is the sum of THREE HUNDRED SEVEN THOUSAND NINETY THREE AND 09/100 DOLLARS (\$307,093.09), together with the costs of this sale.

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SHERIFF'S FILE NO, 2007 004246 SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F1101906 NEW CENTURY MORTGAGE CORPORATION PLAINTIFF -vs- BARBARA MCGINLEY, ET AL. DE-FENDANTS VS- BARBA FENDANTS

va- DARIDAHA MCGINLEY, ET AL. DE-FENDANTS Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises By virtue of the above stated writ of Execu-tion, to me directed, I shall expose for sale by Public Auction, in SHERIFF'S OFFICE, Essex County Courts Building in Newark, on Tuesday, July 10, 2007, at one-thirty P.M. (Prevailing Time). Commonly known as: 26 GARFEN AVE BELLEVILLE, NJ 07109 Lot: 26 Block 401 Size: 119.76 X 37.09 X 117.19 X 37.00 feet Nearest cross street name: BELLEVILLE AVENUE A, full legal description can be found in the

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SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 2007 004483

SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 2007 004483 SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F2304406 WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. PLAINTIFF -vs- DAMON SUGGS DEFENDANTS Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises By virtue of the above stated wirl of Execu-tion, to me directed, I shall expose for sale by Public Auction, in SHERIFF'S OFFICE, Essex County Courts Building in Newark, on Tuesday, July 17, 2007, at one-thirty P.M. (Prevailing Time). Commonly known as: 914-916 S 17TH ST NEWARK, NJ 07103 Lot: 60 Block: 3012

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ACKERMÁN, ATTORNEY(S) 1-908-233-8500, XCZ-81635 Belleville Times 2076222 Fee \$63.24 June 21, 28; July 5, 12, 2007

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SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 2007 004484 SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F927306 U.S. BANK NA-TIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE PLAINTIFF -vs-JOSE COSME; ET AL. DE-FENDANTS Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises By virtue of the above stated writ of Execu-tion, to me directed, I shall expose for sale by Public Auction, in SHERIFF'S OFFICE, Essex County Courts Building in Newark, on Tuesday, July 17, 2007, at one-thirty P.M. (Prevailing Time). Commonly known as: 54 CAMPBELL AVE BELLEVILLE, NJ 07109 Lot: 16 FKA 29 Block; 6505 FKA 313 Size: APPROX. 50 x 139 feet Nearest cross street: UNION AVENUE A full legal description can be found in the office of the Register of Essex County. Tax and prior lien info: The total amount due tor past due taxes is \$10.00. All tax figures are good to 4/9/2007. The total amount due for WATER is \$218.95 as of 4/9/2007. The total amount due for WATER is \$218.95 as of 4/9/2007. The total amount due for WATER is \$218.95 as of 4/9/2007. The total amount of the Judgment to be satisfied by said sale is the sum of THREE HUNDRED FORTY EIGHT THOU-SAND FOUR HUNDRED FOURTEEN AND 75/100 DOLLARS (\$348,414.75), together with the costs of this sale. The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn the sale from time to time sa provided by Law. Newark, N.J. June 11, 2007 ARMANDO B. FONTOUPAA, Sheriff ZUCKER, GOLDBERG & ACKERMANA, ATTORNEY(S) 1-908-233-8500, XCZ-76710 Belleville Times 2076257 Fee \$66.00 June 21, 28; July 5, 12, 2007

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OBESITY

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ple. So far, 20 communities have received mini-grants.

According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System 2006 data, 22.6 percent of New Jersey adults are obese and 37.3 percent are overweight.

Excess weight is also a serious concern among young people. New Jersey has the nation's second highest obesity rate in young, low-income children. Additionally, the state's African-American and Latino youth are more likely to be overweight than are white youths.

Excess weight puts individuals at risk for type II diabetes, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, heart disease and stroke, asthma, depression, arthritis, several types of cancer, and other health problems.

Obesity-related health conditions cost the nation \$75 billion a year in medical expenses in 2003, with taxpayers paying half those costs through the Medicare and Medicaid programs. New Jersey's share of the national total was \$2.3 billion, the Task Force report noted.

The Action Plan was crafted by

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a 27-member Task Force estab- launched initiatives that promote lished by the Legislature and appointed by Governor Jon S. Corzine. The Task Force recommended New Jersey create one office to coordinate obesity prevention efforts and to implement programs related to five key areas for intervention - improved nutrition, increased fruit and vegetable consumption, increased physical activity, exclusive breastfeeding of infants, and decreased time spent on television, computers and video games.

The Task Force also outlined a series of goals and action steps in each of the five areas, and called for all parts of communities to get involved in supporting healthy behaviors that can help reduce obesity. The Task Force described action steps for federal, state and local government; local organizations and neighborhoods; public and non-public schools; workplaces; and healthcare systems and health professionals.

Special efforts are also needed to target high-risk groups - such as African-Americans, Latinos and low-income people – to decrease their disproportionately high rates of overweight and obese people. The full report can be viewed on the department's web site at www.nj.gov/health/fhs/documents/obesity_prevention.pdf.

Other state agencies have

healthy nutrition and physical activity. They include:

Department of Transportation - The \$15 million Safe Routes to School program helps communities create safer walkways, bike-≦ ways and street crossings near schools. It is part of Governor Jon Corzine's \$74 million initiative to improve pedestrian safety statewide.

By September, all New Jersey pub-lic schools must implement the state's model school must ' state's model school nutrition pol-⊆ icv, which limits the fat and sugar content of foods offered. Schools are currently phasing in their poli-ℵ cies; 57 percent of schools are 9 already in compliance.

Department of Education -The State Board of Education has revised the Core Curriculum Content Standards to increase the emphasis on nutrition and fitness, including healthy ways to get fit and maintain a proper weight.

New Jersey State Workforce -DHSS and the Department of Personnel have created the Working Well NJ initiative to encourage public employee wellness by providing up-to-date health information and links to other sources of health information. Visit the web site at: http://www.state.nj.us/personnel/wellness/index.htm.

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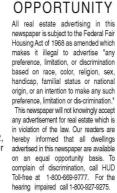
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