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Belleville resident Ralph Caputo talks to Bloomfield High School students about government, the day before his reelection to the Essex County Board of Freeholders.

Democrats sweep in Belleville

BY MEGHAN GRANT of Belleville Times

Both in Belleville and across New Jersey, Democratic candidates saw one victory after another against their Republican opponents.

In the national races, incumbent Democrat Bill Pascrell easily won over challenger Republican Roland Straten for the Congressional Eighth District seat, while in the U.S. Senate, Democrat Frank Lautenberg will once again represent New Jersey after beating Republican Dick Zimmer.

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Paterson mayor is "excited to pur-sue his seventh term in Congress." 'I may run against Pascrell has been an elected mem- Caputo for assembly ber the House of Representatives since 1997. He's seated on a num- next year. I'm going to ber of House committees, including Ways and Means and Home-

served in a number of organizations during the course of his Andrew Bloschak career, such as the commissioner Freeholder candidate for the New Jersey Fire Commission, chairman of both the Paterson Chamber of Commerce and Paterson Economic Development of Representatives for six years,

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keep pounding away at His opponent, a longtime him until I beat him. It's Montclair resident Straten had a personal thing port.

Pascrell earned 6,261 votes, Corp., and vice -chairman of the Dick Zimmer had campaigned for with Straten totaling 2,843 district- Montclair Redevelopment Agen- the U.S. Senate once before in 1996. Frank Lautenberg is one of A Pascrell aide said the former A former member of the House the oldest serving senators, having

first won an election in 1982, who sits on such committees such as Environment and Public Works, and Commerce, Science and Transportation.

Lautenberg came out on top in Belleville with a 5,874 to 3,474 lead, with a solid majority across Essex County.

Belleville saw a 66.7 percent turnout of registered voters, with 12,435 ballots cast.

Turnout was exceptionally high and invigorated this year, with hopeful voters lining up at polls before the 6 a.m. opening. A line formed prior to polls opening, before voters began their workday. Charles Buccino, handing out

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■ A private business located at 481 Washington Ave. reported a burglary and theft at 8:20 a.m. Entry was gained through an air

conditioning sleeve on the side of Stephens Street. Several items with the building. Reported stolen were \$10,000 in prepaid phone cards and \$2,500 in Western Union cash receipts. Police have no suspects and the investigation is continuing.

■ Police arrested and charged Sandy Vazquez, 24 of Bloomfield with shoplifting at 1:52 p.m. After police responded to a report of a shoplifting at The Edge, 382 Main St., they found the suspect attempt-

a total value of \$300 were reported missing. Police have no suspects and the investigation is continuing.

Police arrested and charged Stephanie Reveron, 35, of Belleville with possession of heroin and possession of a hypodermic needle at 3:20 p.m.

Police said they were summoned to her apartment in the 150 block of Mill Street by the suspect's husband, and the drugs and needle were found on the suspect. She was released on her own recog-

■ A theft was reported from the

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HISTORIC ELECTION

Enthusiasm abounds for local voters

BY RICHARD DICKON AND MEGHAN GRANT of Belleville Times

A sample of residents leaving the Belleville High School polling station Tuesday afternoon found several first-time voters and, not surprisingly, the failing economy to be the most important issue for many who spoke.

First-time voters were out in full force, such as Vijay and Purnima Pancholi, who had recently become U.S. citizens and now had the opportunity to take part in the democratic process.

Anna Tello voted with her mother Maria, who was voting in her first U.S. election since arriving in America from Columbia. Anna, Maria and Anna's brother John all pegged the poor economy as their main concern in casting a ballot for president.

Anna said, "Number one for me is the economy. I want to know that I will have a job, and if I don't, that I can still have health care. We want to continue to be part of the middle class?

Maria said she was "very, very happy" to be a first-time voter, while John's answer to his most pressing issue was simply, "the economy?

Fernando Valente said he was also proud to be a first time voter, having come from Portugal and his wife Marli, from Brazil.

"This is my first time," Valente would be historic for at least one all the way," and said her most experience than not enough." said. "I've only been here for a couple of months."

As for his choice for president, he was unequivocal.

"I'm a Democrat," Valente said. "I believe in Obama."

Longtime Belleville residents were not lacking in opinions, either.

Beth Veneziano said she has voted in "almost" every presidential election during her 30 years in Belleville. She said the election



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peace.

Belleville resident Andrew M. Bloschak, a candidate for Essex County freeholder, visits with congressional candidate Roland Straten after last Friday night's GOP county rally at VFW Post 6255 in Cedar Grove.

reason.

"There are a lot of young people coming out," Veneziano said.

Not every voter cited the economy as the main issue. Antoinette Longobardo, a 43-year Belleville resident and senior citizen, said she is most concerned with homeland security.

Jamie Montagna was one of the voters unafraid to reveal her allegiance. Voting in her second presidential contest, she said, "Obama

important issue was "the end of the had the best plan for the economy as well.

Equally sure of whom they were backing were Nancy and Gary Makese, who gave clear reasons for backing McCain.

"I have questions about Obama's character," Nancy said, while Gary said, it was "Obama's lack of experience versus McCain's experience. I'd rather have too much

"This election is definitely war," although she said Obama important, all are in their own way," said young voter and life-long resident Nicole, who declined to give her last name. Her choice was influenced by the state of the economy and the country's solutions to energy problems.

Ruth Adubato, a resident of Belleville for 19 years, said she feels this year's election is a vital one. The issues topping her list of concerns: "the economy, like everyone

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ing, of those wishing to cast their ballot before beginning the workday. Charles Buccino, handing out flyers on behalf of fifth-district freeholder candidate Andrew Bloschak, said he spoke with "a woman who hasn't voted in 40 vears."

SWEEP

FROM PAGE 1

flyers on behalf of Fifth District freeholder candidate Andrew Bloschak outside Belleville High School's polling station said he spoke with "a woman who hasn't voted in 40 years." First-time voters were out in full force, such as Vijay and Purnima Pancholi, who had recently become citizens and now had the opportunity to take part in the democratic process.

One poll worker observed that the usual rush arrival of lastminute voters just before closing didn't happen this year, perhaps an indicator of a sense of urgency to get their ballot cast early.

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Ruth Adubato, a resident of Belleville for 19 years feels this year's election is a vital one. The issues topping her list of concerns: "The economy, like everyone else is saying," and securing world peace.

The town overall went to Democrat Barack Obama, but saw a strong rally for John McCain in the second Ward, which tied at 1,986 votes, with some districts going to the Republican candidate.

District 5 freeholder incumbent Ralph Caputo comfortably led "This election is definitely Andrew Bloschak 5,961 to 2,840 important, all are in their own in Belleville. Republican Bloschak three:

Carolina Machado, 18, of Kearny

county property tax increases for five years, no new county bonding ordinances without voter approval, eliminating all political patronage jobs in county government and freezing all new hiring on the county level for five years?

"I'm not going away," Bloschak said. "I may run against Caputo for assembly next year. I'm going to keep pounding away at him until I beat him. It's a personal thing now. He called me a fascist."

Caputo denied any malice toward Bloschak, but did he say Bloschak might need to be "psychoanalyzed?

"I'm very happy with the results," Caputo said. "I worked hard the last six years, and will continue to work hard for the next

Elsewhere, Democrats swept the freeholders-at-large positions, with Donald Payne, Patricia Sebold, Rufus Johnson, and Blonnie Watson receiving the highest respective tallies of the eight campaigning. The four Republican candidates running were Reuben Torres, Leslie Ellis, Nkosi Remy, and Aracelis Sanabria-Tejada.

Alongside the politicians, two public questions were on the New Jersey ballot this election, with Belleville voicing its support for both at the polls.

The first dealt with authorizing the purchase of bonds by the state, requiring matters of incurring state debt being put before voters prior to being acted upon. An exception will occur if the bonds are to be paid off from revenues dedicated by the state constitution, like inde-

projects built with the borrowed money. Highway tolls and user fees would fall under this category. The second question asked voters to decide on an alternative

pendent sources that go toward

means of appointing municipal judges. Selection of judges will now be left up to statutes to be passed by the state legislature rather than by the constitution. This could potentially mean that the Governor, who currently appoints all municipal court judges, and Senate would not be involved in the process, though it isn't a requirement to exclude them.

Reporter Richard Dickon contributed to the article.

BLOTTER

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Drug Fair, 345 Franklin Ave., at 6 p.m. The store manager said two price scanners were missing. Police have no suspects and the investigation is continuing. Oct. 31

■ Police arrested and charged

with driving while intoxicated at 2:41 a.m. After police were investigating a motor vehicle accident reported from an Indian restauon Route 21 North, the suspect drove her vehicle past several flares and struck a police vehicle. Police then smelled a strong odor of alcohol on the suspect and she was unable to complete any of several field sobriety tests. She was

released on her own recognizance. Oct. 29

■ A burglary and theft were rant at 10 Bloomfield Ave. at 7:50 a.m. Entry was gained through a rear window. Reported stolen were assorted phone cards valued at \$2.000. Police are investigating. Oct. 28

■ A burglary and theft to a vehi-

cle was reported at 7:39 a.m. Entry was gained to a Ford Econoline van through the back doors at a residence in the 120 block of Mt. Prospect Ave. Reported stolen were various power tools. A value was not given for the tools. Police are investigating.

Editor's note: Police news is compiled from information provided by the police department. The information is released to the press at the discretion of the department and may not represent the total scope of police activity. Accounts that indicate charges pending against an individual do not imply guilt or innocence.

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Napping should be on a soft, clean surface

The Belleville school district is fortunate to offer full-day kindergarten, beginning this past September. It is an added expense, but the education is important to the development of the children and the community's overall quality of life.

The health and comfort of the young ones are also impor-

tant.

The district is asking the kindergartners to take naptime on the floor with towels. Parents, 117 who have signed a petition, say that practice is unhealthy. The floor is a bleeding ground for germs, and the towels come home filthy, according to one parent. The group says it is seeking advice from the state Board of Health and the Division of Youth and Family Services, as well as lawyers and auditors. They are also threatening to boot any board members supporting sleeping on the floor.

The district, meanwhile, contends napping on the floor has not been a problem, that some parents are providing a mat from home and the custodians are keeping the floors clean.

Sleeping on the floor with only towels not only raises a sanitary concern but also one of comfort and the overall impact on a child's bones and posture. The practice conjures up images the floor, and conti ly clean the slee daycare centers provide a clean and/or pillow f

seen in third world countries. At the least, the Belleville district should provide mats so the children are elevated off the floor, and continue to thoroughly clean the sleeping areas. Like daycare centers, parents can provide a clean sheet, blanket and/or pillow for their child on

CYO dances, what good times we

future spouses there. Those were

had, and how some met their

LETTERS

Memories from Holy Family Church

TO THE EDITOR:

Thank you so much for the article regarding Holy Family Church's 100th year – "the journey continues." I take a personal interest because 80 percent of my life was involved in that journey.

When the Italian immigrants of Belleville and Nutley arrived, my mother being one of them, it was important to them to find a gathering place to worship where their language was spoken and their cultural upbringing shared. They gathered in homes in the beginning.

I received my communion in the first Holy Family Church on Harrison Street in Nutley. That little haven held a little more than 100 people.

Little by little, the people came, including Father DiLuca, later a monsignor for his fantastic work. He had his workers knock on doors requesting support for the church he was building – nickels and dimes, a dollar or two. Back in the 1930s, a nickel was a big deal.

Then came the first Belleville/Nutley Holy Family Parish on Brookline Avenue, where I was confirmed in 1939. St. Anthony of Padua Church in Silver Lake is similar in appearance to Holy Family on Brookline. The latter was recently dedicated as the new Holy Family Parish Center.

Councilman John Notari, a parishioner, represented Belleville at the dedication and Mass.

Then came Monsignor DiLuca Plaza, where our current Holy Family is located. The late Monsignor DiLuca would have been proud of Monsignor Zaccardo, who started the drive to renovate the old Holy Family on Brookline as a parish center. At this time, Monsignor Bochicchio is working hard to finish the project. I passed by it today and saw how beautiful the stairway turned out with the tiers of flower boxes. I look at my wedding day pictures on those steps, with Father Anthony Benti at my side.

I'm sure the Belleville parishioners my age will remember the

Letters to the Editor policy

Eleanor M. Strollo parish-Belleville ber the

the good old days.

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GETTING A SAFETY LESSON

Ashley Valle, 16, left, gives out fire detectors during Fire Prevention Week at the Belleville Fire Headquarters on Franklin Avenue. At right, Huda Yazgi, 17, helps Divine McLaurin, 6, with a fire coat during the safety event on Friday, Oct. 17.



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Board of ed 'retreats' so it can move forward

BY RICHARD DICKON of Belleville Times

The Belleville Board of Education recently spent an entire day plotting future strategies and ways to improve the educational experience for all students. That was followed up with two board members and the interim superintendent spending two days at a yearly state school boards convention, all in the name of better serving the district's approximately 4,400 students, according to officials.

On Saturday, Oct. 25, all but one of the seven-member school board joined interim Superintendent of Schools Melindo Persi, School the annual New Jersey School

and Assistant Superintendent Dennis Villano for a retreat. They met with experts in areas affecting the delivery of public education in what Persi called "a fresh start" for the board of education.

The sessions lasted from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and was open to any member of the public, according to School Board President Joseph Longo

"Mr. Persi brought the idea with him," Longo said. "He did it at other districts."

Then, on Oct. 29 and 30, Longo, Persi and board member Carmen Bucco spent parts of two days at

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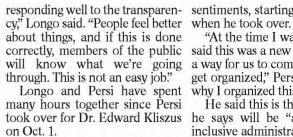
held in Atlantic City. "At the school boards conven-

tion in the last couple of days, we feel we learned many things that will help us build a much stronger opportunity for success in rolling out our plans," Longo said. "We attended many useful seminars."

The trio also met with new vendors offering goods and services. "We're now back and energized," Longo said.

Longo said he is impressed with Persi's efforts in just a few short weeks to open up the process of running the district to the public, and the public's early response.

"The public seems to be



"We have either spoken on the phone or met in person almost every day, usually for not less than two hours at a time," Longo said.

Persi echoed many of Longo's

Administrator Edward Appleton Boards Association Convention responding well to the transparen- sentiments, starting with his plan 🛱

"At the time I was appointed, I ⊨ said this was a new beginning and F a way for us to come together and \exists get organized," Persi said. "That's why I organized this retreat."

He said this is the part of what he says will be "a transparent, Ξ inclusive administration, with the of the process."

Three major areas covered in 9

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Schools strategize, start foundation, build goodwill

BY RICHARD DICKON of Belleville Times

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At a special public meeting that \exists took the form of a retreat on Oct. ਸ਼ੁੱ24, the Board of Education talked

specifically about three new ideas. They include developing a strategic gplan, establishing an educational association to find alternative fund-2 ing sources for school programs and a session teaching team build-The second members can interact more effectively.

Longo said the first steps for the strategic plan and educational association will be to "start collecting committee members and chairpersons, and then we'll roll it out to the public and the town council. There will be public members of each of the committees, along with board members and even council members sitting in. We still haven't worked out what the committees are going to be."

Six of the seven board members,

School Board President Joseph along with interim School Super- resulting strategic plan. "The ses- fund our school programs: intendent Melindo Persi, School Board Administrator Edward Appleton and Assistant Superintendent Dennis Villano all met with experts in the three separate areas. The meetings were part of a day-long retreat on Oct. 25.

> Strulato, an expert on organizing a strategic plan, moderated a seminar for school officials

Persi said that on Dec. 1, there will be an orientation given on the revenues other than tax money to

sion is open to anyone from the public who wants to be part of it," Persi said. "Through the process, we will plan for a number of years to come. We want as many people as possible to give their input. There will be six committees, and we are For strategic planning, Dr. Dan looking to put together a plan we can live with for several years."

As for the educational foundation, Longo said, "We want to put together a foundation then find

He said the board would select members from among private citizens connected to business and industry that can be involved in raising money to supplement the district, and go out to private companies for donations.

"It was a very, very productive meeting," Longo said. "We intend to keep moving forward, and do this again down the road."

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In an effort to help local homeowners as well as themselves, Showcase Kitchen & Bath of Bloomfield, a local full service remodeling company, known to be New Jersey's Premier Remodeler, has devised an Economic Stimulus Plan. Showcase tried to establish a plan that would help their company sell business along with assisting homeowners in the towns that have always supported their business. When asked yesterday, Donald Distasio, president of Showcase said "We have done a tremendous amount of remodeling in Montclair, Essex Fells, Glen Ridge, The Caldwells, Cedar Grove, Short Hills, West Orange, Verona, Livingston, Roseland, Bloomfield and Fairfield, so it seems like the right time to offer assistance to these towns as well as to ask for their assistance in return. This will make it an ideal time to remodel your home with Showcase."

Over the past several weeks the management of Showcase has worked very hard to lower the companies overhead. Every area was examined and significant changes have been made. The elite team of Showcase employees has agreed to take pay cuts. Adjustments to work schedules as well as changes to Showroom hours, and a conscious effort to cut unnecessary spending, have all contributed to their ability to offer lower prices to local homeowners during these trying economic times. Showcase has been able to lower overhead by 10% If you add that along with a pledge from the management of Showcase to price every job in these towns with Zero profit, homeowners will see savings of Total Savings of About 20% about 20% This offer is for a limited time only.

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Attractive exterior lighting not only enhances your enjoyment of your home, it adds curb appeal and value, and can welcome guests with a feeling of warmth and security all year round. Good lighting is especially important during the holidays. when more guests will be coming to your door, the experts agree.

Homeowners thinking about upgrading their exterior lighting should keep some basics in mind, including scale, style, visibility and planning.

"Frequently, you see homes with outdoor lanterns that aren't large enough for the home or the area it's lighting," says Rick Wiedemer, Jr., certified lighting consultant and president of Hinkley Lighting in Cleveland. "When choosing a lantern to hang above your door, consider viewing your home's entry from the curb or coming up the driveway as a guest would.'

A good rule of thumb for choosing a right-sized lantern is to pick one that is at least a third the size of the door, says Mark Rottner, president of Artistic Lighting and Designs in Norcross, Ga. "That means if your door is 7 feet high, your lantern should be 27 to 30 inches long," he says. "If you decide to go with a lantern on either side of the door, then each should be about 25 percent of the door's height."

Appropriately sized lanterns not only provide ample illumination for the area you're trying to light, they also impart elegance to a façade, says Joe Rey-Barreau, education consultant for the American Lighting Association (ALA) and an associate professor at the University of Kentucky's School of Interior Design.

HERNIATED DISC?



Dr. Diego Ruiz, D.C.

For Lower back pain caused by overexertion, strain or sprain, medications and injections might offer relief. But for those suffering from chronic and more severe back pain, there has been little rescue – until now. Dr. Diego Ruiz, D.C., has recently introduced a revolutionary back pain treatment to Essex County. This is know as non-surgical Spinal Decompression.

The new Spinal Decompression procedure specializes in treating lower back pain caused by disc bulges and herniations, sciatica, stenosis, degenerative discs, arthrititis and facet syndrome. The concept behind this new medical breakthrough was inspired by studying the effects of an anti-gravity environment on the human body during space travel.

The research showed that the anti-gravity environment helped relieve back pain and increased the height of the disc. This led to the development of this new technology, which now allows practitioners to recreate the effects of anti-gravity here on earth and rescue those with chronic back pain.

"For years, I've seen patients suffer despite multiple opinions and therapies. I'm thrilled to be able to alleviate my patient's pain with this state-of-the-art treatment," says Dr. Ruiz.

This non-surgical procedure is ideal for those with clinically unstable lower backs who have tried medication or have been scheduled for lengthy or alternative therapies with no success. In fact clinical studies have even shown spinal decompression is effective on patients who have already had surgery that failed.

"The procedure is non-surgical, drug and needle free and I'm excited to bring it to Belleville," says Ruiz.

Shocking News About Surgery

The most common procedure for herniated discs thus far has been surgery. Yet a report in the New England Journal of Medicine states that "51 percent of all back surgery is unnecessary."

According to the American Journal of Pain Management, "Decompression therapy has provided relief for herniated intervertebral discs."

Dr. Ruiz responds, "As a Chiropractic physician, I air on the side of skepticism, especially of anything with such profound miraculous achievement, but the majority of patients recover in a very short period of time with no documented side effects."

Medical Breakthrough

The U.S. Public Heath Service reports that the number one reason for visiting a neurologist or an orthopedist is back pain. Back Pain is the number two reason for hospitalization, second only to childbirth.

We currently spend 25 percent of our annual heath care budget on lower back pain, yet it remains at epidemic proportions.

With 30 million people in pain, many struggle to find a reliable treatment and few hold hope for a permanent cure.

This is an astounding breakthrough for those who have been to numerous doctors, have tried a variety of treatment, have been told to live with it or those who were scheduled for lengthy therapy protocols or surgery. And it is affordable for all.

How it Works

Non-surgical spinal decompression creates negative pressure inside the disc, which draws in any bulging or herniated disc material, like suction. This stimulates the body to undergo a process know as "fibroblast activity" producing fresh new tissue cells. These new cells attach themselves to the torn fibers of the disc that cause its contents to bulge. In essence, it is like a bone healing so when complete, it is even stronger than before. This is truly more of a cure than a temporary remedy

What Patients Say

"I couldn't stand or sit for any period of time, as my leg would go numb. The pain would be so severe in my lower back then travel into my hip and buttock then go down my leg that I couldn't work, play with or pick up my daughter.

"I was anxious and frustrated because nothing helped. After undergoing the non-surgical spinal decompression therapy at the Spinal Aid Center, I have been pain-free and back to full activities. I recommend the procedure to anyone with back pain - especially if you haven't found help elsewhere." Jackie Thomas.

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Board of ed addresses meetings, PTOs, seniors

BY RICHARD DICKON of Belleville Times

The school board has had discussions that led to a change in the way that school officials are seated at twice-monthly school board meetings and is looking to change the way meetings are conducted. Meanwhile, the interim superintendent has enacted policies to reward parental participation in Home and School Association and Parent Teacher Organization meetthat would normally charge a fee.

School Board President Joseph Longo said that he and interim Superintendent of Schools Melindo Persi are now seated next to one another so they can confer more easily during meetings. Beyond that, board members are seated according to seniority as elected officials or by who received the most votes in the last election for first term members, he said.

meetings)," Longo said. "We're working hard to be more professhould enable us to govern more debate" issues, and then retire to effectively?

As for the rearrangement of seating at board meetings, Persi said, "This will allow for a better flow of information. We will be changing the format and the agen-

senior citizens for school functions timer (to time residents speaking with two meetings a month, but private session to discuss personnel 🛱 during the public portion of the having the first one serve as a work or litigation issues. session. Persi said the board would sit around a rectangular table, so sional, and in control, and this the board could "discuss and

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THE GO GUIDE

PIANIST, SOPRANO TO FÊTE 'CLASSICS' Glen Ridge Congregational

Church plays host to "American Classics," a concert led by pianist Eric Olsen and soprano Pamela Olsen, on Sunday, Nov. 16 at 3 p.m. The duo plans to NOVEMBER showcase the rich heritage of piano music and art songs of the 20th century by notable American ing Copeland, Barber, Sc. Ves, Baker and Gould. A Blue Room concert with a reception Nows the performance. Tickseniors and \$8 for students. **Glen Ridge Congregational** Church is located at 195 Ridgewood Ave., Glen Ridge. For additional information, call 973-743-5596.

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Check it out! 'Legends in Concert' is back at Resorts in November

t seems the Christmas season arrives earlier Levery year! Perhaps it's an upper in light of the current economic downturn, and in the words of Jerry Herman "We Need a Little Christmas Now!" At any rate, Trop ushers in the vuletide this week with a holiday celebration "Sounds of the Season -A Musical Journey.

The new show fills the huge Tropicana Theater stage with a dozen dancers and aerialists, five musicians and three vocalists who will join to infect their audiences with holiday cheer, promising colorful production numbers and even some traditional singalongs.

'Sounds of the Season" will run at Trop through December 20. Showtimes vary, please visit www.tropicana.net for a complete show schedule. Tickets are priced at \$25.

Borgata has booked a couple of history-making, definitive rock groups this weekend, with the celebrated Reunion World Tour of New Kids On The Block coming back to play the Event Center Friday night at 8 p.m. The group that forever defined what the modern boy band would look and sound like are back together after a 15-year hiatus, making a return engagement following their sellout at Borgata in September. The band, comprised of Jordan Knight, Jonathan Knight, Joey McIntyre, Donnie Wahlberg and Danny Wood, are performing new music that they found and funded themselves, but of course The Kids will include all the familiar hits such as "You Got It (The Right Stuff),""Cover Girl," and "Step by Step.

As of press time, there were still a limited number of tickets available for Friday's show. Prices are \$125 and \$85

On Saturday, Smashing Pumpkins take over The Borgata Event Center for a stop on their highly touted "20th Anniversary Tour." Just in time to give audiences an advance listen to tracks from their latest two-DVD set "If All Goes Wrong," due out November 11. Showtime is Saturday at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$75

On Saturday, Borgata turns loose their roster of celebrity chefs to create an evening of exquisite dining to thrill the most discriminating gourmet palate! For this one event only, guests will be able to sample the talents of seven outstanding restaurateurs at a single glorious culinary event. Savor Borgata will also afford guests an opportunity to experience the lush facilities of the new non-casino \$400-million Water Club luxe resort adjacent to Borgata. The evening begins with a lavish cocktail reception at The Water Club's indoor pool, just off the lobby. Passed hors d'oeuvres will be created

by Borgata Executive Chef Ron Ross, Chef Aram Mardigian of Wolfgang Puck American Grille, and Romeo DiBona of Old Homestead.

The five-course feast, complemented by selected wines, will be served in The Water Club as well. Each course will be presented by one of the starstatus chefs from the various Borgata gourmet facilities: Bobby Flay of Bobby Flay Steak, Michael Mina of Seablue, Chef Michael Schulson of Izakaya, The Water Club Executive Chef Geoffrey Zakarian, and Borgata Executive Pastry Chef Thaddeus DuBois. Comedian Katt Williams' "It's Pimpin', Pimpin'Tour" rolls into Trump Taj Mahal for a single show at the Mark Etess Arena Friday night. Probably one of the hottest standup comics on the scene today, Williams' 2007 "Pimp Chronicles Tour" was the second highest grossing comedy act in the US, selling out theatres in every major market across the country. He was also added to the very short list of comedians to earn the honor of performing at Radio City Music Hall, selling out two consecutive days at the landmark venue. Showtime at the Taj Arena is Friday at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$95, \$65 and \$55.

AC's longest-running show "Legends in Concert" is back at Resorts for a month-long celebration of a roster of all-time showbiz giants. Although "Legends" has been playing the resort for a couple of decades now, it's kept fresh with the constant rotation of acts, both timeless classics and the hottest new stars. It's a first-rate production with a live band onstage and original choreography with dancers and backup singers augmenting the counterfeit featured performers. The costuming and meticulous preparation going into each celebrity tribute result in an amazing replication of the originals. The current lineup includes on-the-mark impersonations of Frank Sinatra, Tina Turner, Bruce Springsteen, The Temptations and Frankie Valli. Shows at Resorts Superstar Theater are November 5-9, 11-14, 16 and 18-26. Show time is 7 p.m. nightly; Friday shows begin at 9 p.m. shows begin at 8 p.m. and Saturday Tickets are \$25.

The Trump Shuttle which provides free rides for players between the three Trump casinos now offers a stopover at Atlantic City Outlets at The Walk. The popular new Factory Store Outlet center covering 8 City blocks includes 100 shops offering great buys on designer labels from Ralph Lauren to Coach, Tommy Hilfiger, Liz Claiborne and countless other top-names, and has become a favorite shopping destination for AC visitors.

Symphony Orchestra to open 77th season

open its 77th concert season on Sunday, Nov. 16 at 3 p.m. at the Bloomfield Middle School auditorium, 60 Huck Rd. (off of Broad Street), Bloomfield. The program, entitled "The Scottish Highlands and A Bit O'Heaven," will include Mendelssohn's Hebrides Overture (Fingal's Cave) Op. 26 and Symphony No. 5 in D-minor (Reformation), Op. 107, and the rarely

performed Niels Gade's In the Highlands (Scottish Overture), Op. 7. Violinist orchestra and concertmistress **Rachel Matthews** is the scheduled soloist



for Rachel Hamilton Har- Matthews ty's "The Londonderry Air."

General admission is \$8 and \$5 for seniors. Children under age 8 may attend for free. For more information, call 609-273-6869 or visit the Web site www.bloomfieldsymphonyorchestra.org. This performance is part of a yearround concert series featuring five diverse community music groups based in Bloomfield. The series is sponsored by the Bloomfield Federation of Music, under the auspices of the Bloomfield Recreation Commission. Led by Israel

G. Herman, conductor, the

Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra is one of the oldest of New Jersey's 25 community orchestras. Its first concert Israel G. performance was in 1932

under the baton of Walter Kurkewicz. Maestro Kurkewicz was succeeded by Louis Sutera in 1961 and Edward J. Napiwocki in 1964.

The Bloomfield Symphony will ductor and musical director, Herman brings a wealth of academic knowledge and experience to the podium. He is currently a professor at Mercer County Community College, where he teaches Music Theory, Chamber Ensembles, Music History, the Business of Music and Applied Trumpet. An active classical and Dixieland trumpeter with an avid interest in early brass performance and woodwind music on period instruments, Herman has appeared in various concert settings in the United States and abroad.

The Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra is comprised of 60 volunteer musicians from northern and central New Jersey. These musicians represent a vast crosssection of backgrounds and careers, bringing a depth of experience to each rehearsal. Renown for its versatility and musical ingenuity, the orchestra presents programs that incorporate both standard and new symphonic works. Over the decades, the orchestra has helped launch the careers of rising solo artists. The orchestra presents annual fall and spring concerts and sponsors a children's concert each February, allowing youngsters to be introduced to orchestra instruments. In addition to its mission of preserving classical music for future generations through local, affordable symphony concerts, the orchestra also strives to provide its members with an enriching and challenging musical activity.

Join the Symphony Orchestra

The Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra invites players of all levels to join. The orchestra currently has openings for all strings, some woodwinds and brass and percussion. Rehearsals, which are open to the public, take place every Wednesday evening from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Bloomfield Middle School auditorium, 60 Huck Rd. Rehearsals start the first week of September and end the

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Special Advertising Feature

'The Tempest' to debut at Nutley Theatre

its next production, the William interactions with the island's Shakespeare classic "The Tem-pest," on Friday, Nov. 7 at 8 p.m. at the NLT Barn, 47 Erie Place, Nutley.

Evening performances of "The Tempest," all with an 8 p.m. curtain, are scheduled for Nov. 7, 8, 14, 15, 20, 21 and 22. Matinees – with a 2 p.m. curtain - are on Nov. 9 and 16.

Filled with sorcery and family drama, Shakespeare's last play follows the survivors of a magically Montclair, Anne Kenny Simpson

inhabitants, both earthly and unearthly.

Directed by Penny Paul of Montclair, the cast includes Voltaire Balderrama of South Orange, Frank Blaeuer of West Milford, Kate Daly of West Orange, Fred Dennehy of Cranbury, Paul Diverio of Ringwood, Scott Guzzo of Nutley, Gus Ibranyi of Bloomfield, Gloria Mui of South Orange, Emily Rees of

Bloomfield. Phil Rogers of Clifton is the production designer, and Leyda Torres of Belleville is stage manager.

Nutley Little Theatre has engaged SmartTix.com to handle ticket sales by phone and through the Internet. Patrons can still order tickets by phone by calling a new number: 1-877-238-5596. To order tickets online, patrons can visit the NLT Web site www.nutleylittletheatre.com and click on the "Click for Tix" icon, or can go

this Nutley Little Theatre production are \$15 each. Discounts are available for senior citizens and students.

productions at the NLT Barn, 47 Erie Place, Nutley, located off Brookfield Avenue (one block east

Nutley Little Theatre will open induced storm at sea and their of Bloomfield and Jim Simpson of directly to the Web site of Franklin Avenue) in the heart of www.SmartTix.com. Tickets for the Erie Place Historic District. For directions, visit the Web site www.nutleylittletheatre.com.

- For more information about Rs his or other productions, call ST 73.667.0374 Nutley Little Theatre stages its this or other productions, call 973-667-0374.

Auditions for 'The Dead' Nov. 9 & 10

uled auditions at the NLT Barn on early 20s through all ages, up to Sunday, Nov. 9 and Monday, Nov. 10 at 7:30 p.m. both nights for its February production of "James Joyce's 'The Dead," a play about Christmas in Dublin, with music and dance.

Evening performances are planned for Feb. 6, 7, 13, 14, 19, 20 and 21, all at 8 p.m. Matinee performances at 2 p.m. are scheduled for Feb. 8, 14 and 15. Additional dates may be added within this range. Rehearsals for the production begin shortly after auditions, with a break for the holidays.

Directed by Ken Moore of Glen Ridge, "James Joyce's 'The Dead"" was adapted for the stage, with book by Richard Nelson and original music by Shaun Davey. The production expands from Joyce's great short story, which celebrates the Irish tradition of hospitality and recounts a love story hinged on a long-held secret.

Linda DeSimon of Bloomfield is the musical director, and Marvin Krieger of Hoboken is choreographer.

The cast requires 14 actors and actresses, all of whom will sing and dance. The age range for the nine women extends from three

'Reader's Theatre' is back for '08-'09

Nutley Little Theatre (NLT) is continuing its Readers' Theater program for the 2008-09 season, with four readings provided free of charge to the public.

In addition to NLT's regular staged productions, NLT also presents Readers' Theater as a free event in which actors read from scripts, intended to convey a unique appreciation of classic and contemporary works.

Tentatively scheduled for 2009 are: "Social Security," directed by Gerry Kirschbaum of Montclair; "Regrets Only," directed by Ron Mulligan of Bloomfield; "It's a Wonderful Life," directed by Vicky Chalk of Nutley; and "The Imaginary Invalid," directed by Penny Potenz Winship of Montclair.

Nutley Little Theatre stages its productions at the NLT Barn, 47 Erie Place, Nutley, located off Brookfield Avenue (one block east of Franklin Avenue) in the heart of the Erie Place Historic District. For directions, visit the Web site www.nutleylittletheatre.com.

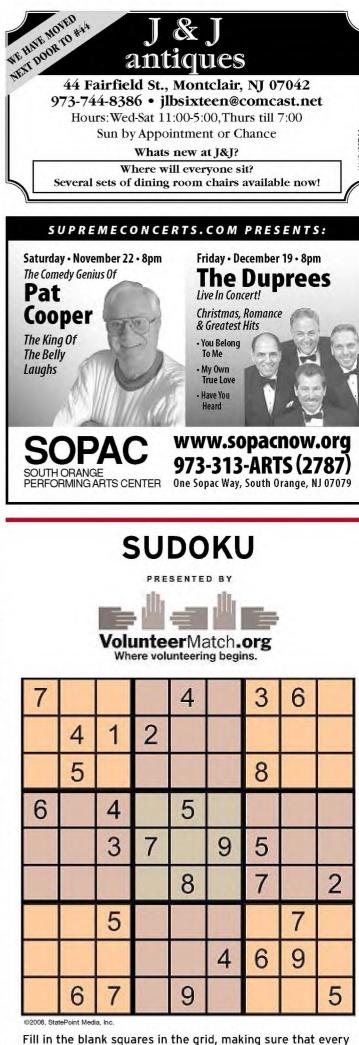
Nutley Little Theatre has sched-young women in their late teens or two women who must play in their 70s or 80s. The age range for five men requires one young man in his late teens or early 20s (who will play a bohran – a traditional Irish drum) and four men ranging from their 20s up through early 60s. - For more information, e-One of the older actors will play an mail kmoore973@comcast.net. Irish tenor opera singer.

Irish accents are required. Auditioners are asked to prepare a brief monologue and a song. Some cold reading will be done from the script. Auditioners are advised to wear comfortable clothing for a dance tryout.



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row, column and 3-by-3 box includes all digits 1 through 9. For the answer to this week's puzzle, turn to the classified section. NOVEMBER 6,

LIFETIME

ARRIVALS



Ava Bella Albanese

A second child, a daughter, Ava Bella, was born to Dannine and Frank Albanese of Branchburg on and Rosemarie and Gerald June 14, at Somerset Medical Cen-ter in Somerville. Her birth weight was 7 pounds, 1 ounce, and she of Nutley and Alexis Slack of was 19.5 inches long. She joins Scotch Plains. her brother Daniel.

Grandparents are Jacqueline and Anthony Soares of Warren,

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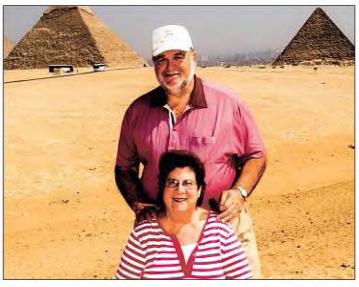


Lacey Roberts to wed Alexander Vitetta

Mary Ann and Louis Roberts a publishing representative with of Pompton Plains announce the engagement of their daughter, Lacey Roberts of West Caldwell, ley High School and Mo Mr. Vitetta is a graduate of Nut-ley High School and Montclair to Alexander Vitetta, son of Alexis and Michael Vitetta of Nutley.

Miss Roberts is an alumna of Pequannock High School and Montclair State University. She is 2010.

ANNIVERSARY



Genevieve and Gerard Tolve celebrate 51st anniversary

Genevieve and Gerard Tolve Tolves spent their anniversary on lebrated their 51st wedding a trip to see the pyramids of Giza anniversary on Oct. 12. The in Egypt.

Shelter needs volunteers

for Animals, Bloomfield is desperately in need of volunteers (18 years and older), particularly for animals from the shelter and has the cats it shelters – especially a "happy tail" to tell, could send cleaning and feeding on weekend an update on the animal and a mornings. Please call if you can photo to basanimals@yahoo.com. help. Any amount of time is wel-

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Connor Robert Kabula

A son, Connor Robert, was inches long. born to Gina and Robert Kabula of Nutley on Sept. 2, at Clara of Hoboken and Robert DiGiro-Maass Medical Center in lamo of Queen Creek, Ariz., and Belleville. His birth weight was 6 Lynette and Bob Kabula of pounds, 10 ounces, and he was 18 Pocono Pines, Pa.

Grandparents are Gerri Lupo

Please send Birthday Club info to Debbie Tripoldi

Because of the large number of phone number is 973 667-2100. pictures sent in, the Birthday Club Her is only able to accept pictures of children who actually live in the four towns of Belleville, Bloomfield, Glen Ridge and Nutley. The popularity of the page has made things. this restriction necessary Sorry, there can be **no** exceptions to this directive.

sent to Debbie Tripoldi, NJMG, 90 Centre St., Nutley, NJ 07110, or dropped off at our office. Her tion.

email address is Pictripoldi@northjersey.com. tures will be accepted of children from one to 12 years. Sending the info to anyone else only delays

Announcements and pictures for "Arrivals" should be sent to tripoldi@northjersey.com. Her Info and pictures should be direct line is 973 667-2100. Same mailing address as above.

Thank you for your coopera-

A king and queen, other fall happenings

Congratulations to the 2008 Homecoming King & Queen for Belleville High School.

Guess what? The king is a Silverlaker and his name is Christian Hollandez. Boy are we jumping for joy with this great pick. The queen is Zuleyka Acevedo, and we think that the voters chose well.

Christian isn't the only star in the Hollandez family. He has a younger brother named Francis who is just one great kid. I bet he is proud of his big brother. Christian, you make Silver Lake very proud of you.

What's all that noise I'm hear-



ing in the background? Oh, that's right; it must be the SLCA Executive Board trying out all those noisemakers for its New Year's in November. Unfortunately, Sunset Soundz will not be able to perform. Michael Gintella is recuperating from bypass surgery, and we wish him well.

We are working on getting another live band and will report back to you all. In the meantime, get those dancing shoes on because we will have the best New Year's ever at Truffle Caterers, Newark Avenue in The Lake, with good food, great music and good friends.

Don't forget, the founder of the Angel Award, Sam Papa, is looking over all the candidates and will come up with the 2008 Angel for the SLCA.

I heard that the School #4 had the bestest Halloween Party ever. The DJ was none other than my nephew, Pete Strumolo, who had the kids dancing away to all the latest music. On the menu were chicken fingers, subs, juice and cookies. At the end of the evening, each children received a bag of goodies filled with cookies, candy and a small pumpkin.

School Ladies for making this event a blast. And remember, we love Silver Lake.

Thanks to all the Home &



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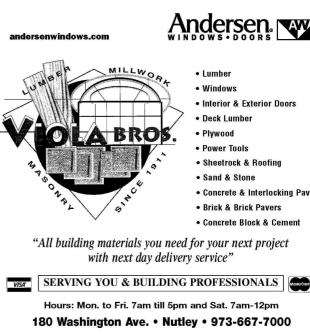
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SPORTS

BHS FOOTBALL

Colson, Herrman are brilliant, but Bucs fall to P.C., 28-14

BY MIKE LAMBERTI for Belleville Times

In defeat, the Belleville football team might have gained a longterm identity which could help make the 2008 season one of the program's better campaigns in nearly two decades.

The Bucs lost a 28-14 decision to Paramus Catholic last Friday evening at Doc Ellis Field. Belleville (3-4) will seek to snap a three-game losing streak tomorrow evening when St. Anthony of Jersey City comes to town for a 7 p.m. game.

This will be the first meeting between the two schools on the gridiron as St. Anthony is playing its first season of high school football

Belleville coach Chris Strumolo was pleased with his team's defensive effort last Friday night against a talented Paramus Catholic team.

"I'll tell you what, Paramus Catholic was huge," Strumolo said. "They had tremendous size on the line and their quarterback (Tyler they read it well and we fell behind Bella) is a big kid as well. He must quickly. To our kids' credit, we nev-

have been 6'4" tall and weighed er let up? over 200. I really liked the way we battled with them. Early on, Paramus Catholic tried to take control at the line of scrimmage and push us around, but as the game went on, our kids really stepped up on defense. I really think we established an identity in this game that we've been trying to build for a while, especially on defense."

Paramus Catholic (4-3), which snapped a three-game losing streak last Friday, came out quickly, driving 63 yards in 15 plays, 14 of which were by the rush. Bella concluded the drive with a one-yard scoring run and the point-after kick was blocked.

Belleville dug itself a bigger hole on its next series when it turned the ball over with an interception on its first snap, giving Paramus Catholic the ball on Belleville's 11 yard line. The turnover led to a seven-yard scoring pass from Bella to Levi Cohen which made it 12-0.

We were in position to make a play there," Strumolo said. "But

The Bucs scored its first touchdown in the second quarter, driving 80 yards in 12 plays. Kalvin Cohen rushed for 33 yards in the drive, Nick Herrman had an outstanding 15-yard run on fourth down when he made a sharp move that left two Paramus Catholic defenders on the ground, and a 19yard pass from Herrman to James Colson, who was double teamed yet still hauled in the pass for a touchdown.

"Colson is turning into a tremendous receiver," Strumolo said of the junior. "He didn't play football last year and the rust is starting to come off his game as the season progresses. He's made some incredible catches this year and last Friday, he had a couple."

Herrman was also marvelous once again. The junior was all over the field on offense and defense. He threw a scoring pass and converted two point-after kicks after Belleville's regular kick, Mike Girgis, was unable to play due to a knee injury.

"Nicky plays every play with

molo said. "He's a great football player, plain and simple. He's such a coachable kid and the ultimate team player."

Before the half ended, Paramus Catholic scored it's third touchdown on a seven-yard pass from Bella to Cohen which made it 20-7 at intermission.

After a scoreless third quarter, Belleville cut the lead to 20-14 in the fourth with Colson coming through with another marvelous catch, this time off a pass by Chris Judge.

Colson hauled in a 41-yard pass in which he out jumped two Paramus Catholic defenders at the Paladin seven. After Anthony Silletti ran to the three, Judge finished the drive with a one-yard scoring run, followed by Herrman's conversion kick.

Paramus Catholic put the game away late when it got a third scoring pass from Bella to Cohen, this time a 50-yard screen on third blitz

"They read it well," Strumolo

such a high level of intensity," Stru- said of Paramus Catholic's decision to throw a screen on Belleville's defense. "I told their coach afterward it was a good call. I really felt if we could get the ball back, we had a chance to win the game. They made a good call and give them credit for scoring that touchdown."

As for St. Anthony this Friday night, Strumolo wasn't quite sure what to expect.

"I'm still waiting to hear back from their coach about getting film," Strumolo said last Sunday. "Hopefully, we'll have some film this week. We've scouted them and I have a good idea of what to expect. They've got some good athletes. I know our kids are looking forward to playing them. We want to get back on the winning track. There's plenty of football left. We have three games and we want to finish our season with a 6-4 record."

NOTES: Brian Antonio had another solid game on the defendown in the face of a Belleville sive line, with 15 tackles. Silletti

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Annual dinner to be held on eve of Belleville-Nutley game



The annual Belleville-Nutley Football Reunion Dinner will once again be held at the Chandelier on Wednesday night, Nov. 26, at 6:30 p.m., on the eve of the annual Thanksgiving Day game, which will be held at Doc Ellis Field in Belleville on Thanksgiving at 10:30 a.m.

The event, which was started by the Belleville-Nutley Italian 3-2 mark. Belleville's last win Fiorente Club many years ago, has came in then head coach John become a popular gathering of Senesky's final game in 1996, a residents from Belleville and Nutley, many of whom were former the series was moved to Thankshigh school players in the annual game between the two rivals. For information on tickets, contact Phil Agosta at 973-980-5190. Tickets are \$45 and can only be purchased at the door on the night of the event.

While a generation of fans only knows the Belleville-Nutley football game as a Thanksgiving Day contest, the series, which began in 1924 and has been played contin- He is a Belleville head football

to Thanksgiving in 1984. Prior to that, the teams generally met on the third week of the regular season, with the exception of the 1983 campaign, when the Bucs and Raiders kicked off the season against each other and in 1982, when they met in the season's fifth week.

There was also a game in 1962 when Belleville and Nutley played on the Saturday before Thanksgiving after its regularly scheduled game in week three was postponed due to a hurricane.

Since the rivalry was moved to Thanksgiving in 1984, Nutley has dominated the series, posting a 19-20-0 win at Doc Ellis Field. Since giving, Belleville has not beaten Nutley at the Oval, with the closest game a 14-14 tie in 1993. The Bucs' last win at Nutley came in 1983. a 12-6 victory.

The dinner features the head coaches of both teams, and for Belleville's Chris Strumolo, this will be his first experience at the dinner as a head coach. Strumolo's situation is somewhat unique.

uously since 1944, actually moved coach who played his high school ball for Nutley. He was 2-1 against Belleville as a player, winning in 1989, 6-0, and 1991, 27-6.

Ironically, Strumolo played for Rich SanFillipo in high school, and SanFillipo's coaching career somewhat paralleled Strumolo's. SanFillipo played at Belleville High in the mid 1960s where he was 1-1-1 against Nutley, and was later head coach at Nutley for eight seasons (1990-1997), where he had tremendous success, including a state championship in 1992. SanFillipo was 4-2-2 against Belleville as a Raider head coach.

Former players have also coached at their alma mater since the advent of the Thanksgiving Eve dinner, including Senesky and Joe Troise at Belleville and Rich Kelly and current coach Steve DiGregorio at Nutley.

Senesky played at Belleville from 1961-1963 and was the head coach from 1977-1996. Troise played for the Bellboys from 1970-72 and was the head coach from 2001-03. Kelly played for the Raiders from 1974-76 and was the head coach from 1998-2003. DiGregorio was a Raider player from 1976-1978 and has been the Raiders head coach since 2004.

BHS BOYS SOCCER Bucs fall to Mounties in state tourney, 3-0

BY MIKE LAMBERTI for Belleville Times

The Belleville boys' soccer team concluded its 2008 season with a 3-0 setback to Montclair in the first round of the NJSIAA, North Jersey, Section 1, Group 4 tournament on Monday in Montclair.

Len Marino's team, which defeated Passaic, 2-1, in its regular season finale last week, concluded its season with a 10-10 record. We'll have a wrap up of the season in an upcoming issue.

Marino has been pleased with his team's effort throughout the season and that was again the case in the Montclair game.

"I thought we played pretty well," Marino said. "They got a few goals on us early and that was the difference, but our kids played hard and I can't fault the effort."

Montclair scored all three of its goals in the first half. Marino got a chance to play some of his younger players in the second half as both teams waged a defensive contest.

The coach noted the effort of senior stopper Juan Mino, who was playing his final high school game, as well as sophomore Brian Solano. Julio Felipe, a sophomore goaltender, was back in the net and

played well despite a badly sprained ankle. The 'Bucs also got a good game from senior midfielder Dickson Fernandez.

Prior to the Montclair game, Belleville had won its regular season finale over Passaic, 2-1. Matt Cabrita and Manny Addu scored for Belleville, which opened a 2-0 lead in the first half.

We played a good game against Passaic," Marino said. "I had a chance to play all the seniors. I was really glad that we had the chance to play in the state tournament. The kids had deserved the chance to qualify and I didn't want their season to end with Passaic."

Fernandez played goal in place of Felipe in the Passaic contest.

"Dickson has experience playg goal, so that was good," Marino said. "But we're a better team with Dickson in the field and it was good to get Julio back for the Montclair game and have Dickson back in the midfield."

Marino also announced that the all conference selections are due this week, and that his team should be well represented.

"I'm hoping for six, or seven players to make the all conference team," the coach said.

BHS CROSS COUNTRY Khan has outstanding race at county championships

BY MIKE LAMBERTI for Belleville Times

Zeeshaw Khan turned in an outstanding performance for the Belleville cross country team at the Essex County championships last Friday afternoon at Brookdale Park in Bloomfield.

Belleville will race at the sectional championships this Saturday at Garrett Mountain in West Paterson.

running 16:49 on the 3.1 mile course and earning a medal. He also earned second team, All County honors, by the county coaches based on his performance. "He did a very good job,"

Belleville coach Scott Herman said of Khan. "It was a good field of runners and he ran a very solid race." Also doing well for the boys team were juniors Alexander

Khan, a junior, finished 16th Valentin (18:34), Bryon Cure

advance of that the club plans to

introduce the game to new play-

ers. The practices will teach rugby

skills and rules with light contact.

mornings followed by the Mont-

clair Men's Club matches which

the players can watch to see how

the game is played and how much fun it is. The club is open to all

high school age boys from fresh-

man through seniors regardless of

the school they attend. No experience is necessary. If you cannot

attend the fall practices you are

still encouraged to join. For more

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have four practices this fall to

Practices will be on Saturday

overall in a very competitive field, (19:00), Jeff Chacon (19:18) and a very good Belleville performance. Jared Clark (19:23)

> was sophomore Crissabel Victorio, who ran 22:04. Junior Rhea Nigli (22:17), fresh-

man Kristy Bono (23:55) senior Adriana Tandazo (24:18), fresh-men Stephanie Carrasquillo (24:19) and Mary Diaz (24:40), junior Yanil Delgado (25:37), freshmen Jamie Bono (26:21) and Stephanie Tran (26:25) and junior

Kristy Bono set a new Belleville

Leading Belleville's girls team freshman course record, breaking Victorio's mark of 24:42 which was set last year. Carrasquillo and Diaz also bettered last year's record.

Tandazo's return to the lineup was welcomed by Herman.

"It was good ĥaving her back," Herman said. "She's looking forward to running indoor track and she wanted to get back to compet-Christie Avila (28:32) rounded out ing. She missed almost a month

and it takes a while to get back into back in the lineup."

The coach is very optimistic ₹ about his team's future.

"As I've said all season, we're very young, but these kids are to doing a good job," Herman said. "We've got some very talented freshmen who should only get better with running experience."

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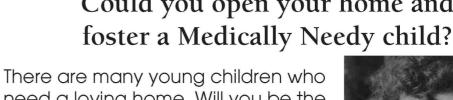
Trip to Cooperstown

The Bloomfield Babe Ruth League is sponsoring a trip to the National Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, NY on Sunday, Nov. 16. The trip is open to the general public.

The bus is scheduled to depart from the Bloomfield Board of Education parking lot, 155 Broad St., at 6:30 a.m. sharp and return to Bloomfield at approximately 8:30 p.m. that night. The cost of the trip is \$40 per person, which includes transportation and admission into the Hall of Fame. Children under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. For tickets, call 973-743-4440.

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Boy wonder Robin, Dante Davis, 3, left, participates in the 2-mile Halloween Hike on Oct. 25 at Belleville High School. Other participants, at right, include Victoria Hale, Jianna Luongo, Amanda Reid, Alyssa Requillo, Alyssa Goodsier, Alexis Frederique and Brittney Georges. Hosted by the Belleville Rotary Club, the Oct. 25 event benefited Camp Merry Heart for the disabled and other charities.



Mountainside Hospital offers comprehensive OPHTHALMOLOGY OF MONTCLAIR, LLC breast health and cancer treatment programs

breast cancer are available throughout the year and include the upcoming presentation, "Breast Imaging," from 6-7 p.m. on Wednesday, November 12, featuring fellowshiptrained breast radiologist Dr. Madelyn Danoff.

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Supplemental insurance helps cancer patients

accompany such an illness.

beginning of a long journey filled Oct. 13 article in USA Today, one in with stress, emotion, and often eight people with advanced cancer physical pain. Families struggle not turn down recommended care only with the trauma of what is because of the associated costs. happening to their beloved, but also Many major medical plans now with the financial burden that can require the insured to pay 20 percent of the costs of their care. When In most cases, major medical one is prescribed cancer treatment insurance will cover only a portion drugs that can cost thousands of

A cancer diagnosis can be the of treatment costs. According to an dollars per month, paying even 20 percent of the cost can be a major burden.

The USA Today article cites a survey of nearly 1,000 survivors and their families that found that one in four cancer patients or their families said they used up all or most of their savings to pay for treatment and one in 10 respondents said they were unable to pay for basic necessities such as food, heat and housing.

Supplemental insurance can help eliminate the need to choose between recommended cancer care and financial stability.

"We should never have a situation in which someone who works and has health insurance must make treatment choices based on cost," says Steve Stecher, president of Conseco Insurance Company, a life and health insurance company, which sells supplemental medical insurance policies. "There are many options available to people who want to protect themselves from the financial hardship that can come with a cancer diagnosis."

To learn more about supplemental policies, visit www.conseco.com. - ARAcontent



State senator recognizes BMS student

BY RICHARD DICKON of Belleville Times

Belleville's state Senate representative is monitoring the school district's most outstanding students, and officially recognized one young man while generally recognizing the excellence of many others

A Belleville Middle School student with excellent grades received a state Senate resolution from a Sen. Ronald Rice.

Education meeting, Rice's representative, Rufus Johnson, singled out BMS's Donald Rock for achieving straight A's as a seventh grader.

The resolution stated in part that possible 300. achievement "starts at home," and that parental influence "really makes people whole."

"The Senate is pleased to honor and salute Rock, who should be admired for this exceptional academic achievement," the resolution states, "You will reach your desired milestones and are an example and an inspiration. You have a future

filled with hope and promise." School officials said that Rock, representative of Belleville State now a grade 8 student at the middle school, is a high honor roll stu-At the Oct. 20 public Board of dent. Recently, he received his scores on the New Jersey Assessment of Skills and Knowledge Grade 7 (NJASK 7).

and 279 in Language Arts out of a the audience applauded.

Rock is a member of the middle school's Drama Club, High Achiever's Club, Newspaper Club, the Jazz Band, and the Belleville High School Marching Band. Rock said his future goal is to

serve as an intern to Senator Rice. School Board President Joseph Longo lauded Rock on behalf of

the entire board. "You are another example of the best that Belleville has to offer," Longo said. "And your parents are to be congratulated as well, for every high achieving student usually has parents behind them."

He then had the parents stand, along with other parents of stu-He scored 287 in Mathematics dents saluted at the meeting, and

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Beautiful music heard at church Mass

BY MEGHAN GRANT of Belleville Times

The voices of the Holy Family parishioners were accompanied by the stirring sounds of an antique violin during the church's centennial mass and dedication ceremonies. Bloomfield resident and member of the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra Ed Engel played the million-dollar Stradivarius violin, crafted in 1692, along with other orchestra members. Organist, soprano, and Holy Family music director Susan Loricchio put together this special ensemble, inviting the members to play for this landmark mass, who by luck happened to be free during a usually busy day of the week.

The NJ Symphony had previously sold their extensive collection of antique instruments to raise money, but the purchasers have allowed the members to continuing using them for the next four years. Engel He believes no other orchestra in the country has instruments of such a high caliber. He

building for the concert. "Holy Family has very good acoustics, the high ceiling is the right height for amplifying the sound of our string instruments."

That Friday saw the blessing of the new parish center and placing of a memorial plague for the original site of the church, celebrated by a mass presided by Bishop Edgar M. da Cunha and a host of concelebrants including former pastors and current pastor Msgr. Paul L. Bochicchio. A number of choirs participated in the mass, including the Holy Family Adult Choir, the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth, the Centennial Combined Choir, Holy Family Filipino Apostolate Choir, and the Neo-Catechumenal Communities of Holy Family. Like the aged instrument, Holy Family is honoring the past with a series of

2991 or visit the Holy Family website at http://holyfamilynutley.net.

With a full slate of events was pleased by the layout of the planned for the centennial, the mil-



Edward Engel (front left) of Bloomfield, a New Jersey Symphony

Holy Family Church was estab-Santola as its first pastor in 1909.

Orchestra member, performed with a \$1,000,000 Stradivarius centennial events and displays violin from the year 1692 during Holy Family's recent Solemn inside the church commemorating Mass and Dedication Ceremonies marking their 100th Centenits past members. For information on upcoming events, call 973-667nial celebration. The concert took place Oct. 25 in Nutley.

lion-dollar violin was a fitting piece to help celebrate the church's rich lished by The Rev. Alphoso de history.

Site offers link to stimulus payment changes

has announced that his Web site www.pascrell.house.gov is hosting the names of Essex County taxpayers who must update their addresses with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to receive stimulus or refund checks. Address her social security number, filing changes must be made by Friday, Nov. 28.

For those who find their names on the list, the "Where's My Stimulus Payment" tool on the Web site IRS.gov is the quickest and easiest

U.S. Rep. Bill Pascrell, Jr. (D-8) way to check the status of a stimulus check and receive instructions on how to update an address. Alternatively, taxpayers without Internet access should call 1-866-234-2942.

A taxpayer must submit his or status and amount of refund shown on their 2007 return. The tool provides the status of their refund and, in some cases, instructions on how to resolve delivery problems.

House Ways and Means Committee focusing on economic recovery. job creation and investment in America. Pascrell firmly believes a second economic stimulus that invests in infrastructure improvement is needed to help stabilize the American economy. For Essex County, visit the fol-

lowing online link: pascrell.house .gov/news/essex.irs.2008.xls. "The purpose of the economic and gasoline."

Pascrell recently participated in stimulus package was to jumpstart special recess hearing in the the economy by empowering working families with additional spending power," said Pascrell, a member of the House Committee on Ways and Means. "The undeliverable stimulus money, which totals \$163 million, is doing our families and our economy no good sitting in the U.S. Treasury. It needs to be in the hands of those who need it to afford the inflated costs of food, health care, home heating

Wise use of antibiotics advised

Did you know that viruses cause most colds, flu and sore throats? Did you know that antibiotics do not work against viruses? In fact, taking antibithem can do more harm than good. It may result in getting an infection later on that is resistant to antibiotic treatment.

Overuse of antibiotics results when they are taken for the wrong types of infections. Eventually, this causes some bacteria to become resistant to the antibiotics that were formerly successful at treating them.

In severe cases, the resistant bacteria can become very difficult to treat, leading to prolonged and sometimes very dangerous infections. MRSA (Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus), which has been in the news of late, is an example of this type of bacteria. It has become resistant to its usual form of treatment, penicillin.

To use antibiotics wisely, the following points are recommended:

■ Do not use antibiotics to treat viral infections, such as the cold or the flu.

■ Always take the full dose recommended by your physician and do not stop taking the medicine just because you start to feel better. Complete the prescription.

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🗄 Kids' fun night

Pastor Nancy S. Moore and the members of Bethany Lutheran Church are now sponsoring a Weekly 'Kids' Fun Night' on Wednesdays, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 P.p.m. in the church hall (please enter via the New Street door). There will be ping-pong, games, activities and refreshments. Everyone is welcome to join in the fun. Call the church office with any questions.

Healing prayers Pastor Nancy S. Moore of Bethany Lutheran Church administers healing oil to all interested worshippers during prayers following each worship service. This brief, special practice is held at Bethany on the first Sunday of every month directly after the regular 9 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. worship services. Everyone is welcome to attend. Call the church for further information.

Sunday Afternoons with Iglesia Luterana

The popular Lutheran Latino service, Iglesia Luterana, is now held every Sunday at the new time of 1 p.m. in the sanctuary of Bethany Lutheran Church. The Rev. Nancy S. Moore presides over Bethany Lutheran Church is a 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 at Bethany including nightly ESL Classes at 8:30 p.m. during the week and Folk Dances beginning at 7:30 p.m. every Monday and Fri-day. They are a welcoming and active congregation that warmly encourages everyone to join them at their reverent and joyous gatherings. Call the church office for further information.

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Christ Episcopal Church

New members

Christ Church will receive new members into the family of faith at Christ Church at its regular 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday, Nov. 23. Persons wishing to unite with the community of faith are asked to contact The Rev. Paul Walker, Vicar of Christ Church, at 973-751-0616.

Christ the King

Christ Church has announced

its annual observance of The Solemnity of Christ the King for Sunday, Nov. 23. The morning service will include a Solemn Procession, Solemn Mass and Benediction of the Most-blessed Sacrament. The Rev. Paul Walker, Vicar of Christ Church, will officiate and preach. The Feast of Christ the King is one of the newest feasts on the Christian Calendar. It occurs on the last Sunday of the Christian Year, which is Nov. 25 this year. The day was instituted in response to the First World War, and looks for the day that Christ will return again to rule the world in justice and peace.

Christ Church is an inclusive church in the Anglican tradition, located at 393 Washington Ave., Belleville. For more information, call 973-751-0616.

St. Mary's Church

Family Mass

St. Mary's Family Mass is every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. in Msgr. Walsh Hall (church basement). Come worship with contemporary music in the spirit of community.

Healing Mass & Luncheon St. Mary's Healing Mass will be held Saturday, Nov. 8 at 12 noon in the church. The luncheon will be immediately following in the school gym. All members of St. Mary's parish in need of physical or emotional healing are invited to attend.

St. Mary's Parish is located at 17 Msgr. Owens Place, Nutley. Call the church at 973-235-1100.

Holy Family Church

Rosary Society

The Rosary Society recites the Rosary after the 8:45 a.m. Mass on the first Saturday of the month. All are welcome.

St. Lucy Filippini Sodality

The monthly meeting of the St. Lucy Filippini Sodality of Holy Family Church will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 19 at 8 p.m. at St. Joseph's Center. All ladies are invited.

We will have a Mass for the deceased members of the St. Lucy Sodality.

Bring items to make up Thanksgiving baskets.

Nutley Ecumenical

Thanksgiving Service The Nutley Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service is Monday, Nov. 24 at 7:30 p.m., at Holy Family Church, 28 Brookline Avenue. The offering collected during the service will further the work of the Nutley Red Cross. We are also collecting donations of cereal and

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What is the definition of a appetite for God. Those who are self-interest, but applies this selfselves cared for as they are for others. Those who are pure in heart; those who have their inside world, mind and heart put right. Those who are peacemakers; those who can show people how to cooperate instead of fight. Those who are persecuted for righteousness sake; those whose commitment to God provokes persecution. Those who are reviled and persecuted on God's account; those who are put down or lied about.

The above are the Blessed, the Saints. Interesting is that all those indicate the humility of a Saint a true gift from God. Note that a truly humble person does not deny

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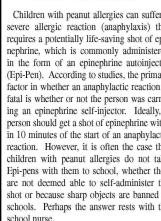
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Antoinette Pettinato

A Mass was offered for Antoinette Pettinato, 71, of Nutley Nov. 3 at St. Anthony of Padua Church, Belleville, after the funeral from the S.W. Brown & Son Funeral Home, Nutley.

Mrs. Pettinato passed away Oct. 30 at her home.

Born in Belleville, she lived in Nutley since 1963.

She was predeceased by her husband, Nicholas Pettinato. She is survived by her son, Joseph Pet-tinato, her daughter, Marisa De Persio, her sisters, Barbara Lowe and Theresa Friggle, and her grandchildren, Eugene and Nicholas De Persio.

Jacqueline F. Cooper

A service was held for Jacqueline F. Cooper, 62, Nov. 1 at the Biondi Funeral Home of Nutley.

Ms. Cooper passed away Oct. 27 at the Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville.

Ms. Cooper was born in Montclair and resided in Nutley for many years. She was a special education teacher at the First Cerebral Palsy of NJ in Belleville, where she also served as Cub Scout leader. She owned and operated J.F. Cooper Associates Tax Preparation of Nutley and was also employed by H&R Block, where she was a tax preparer for many years.

She is survived by her companion of 30 years, Herb Iannuzzi; her special friend, JoAnne LaStella and her many close friends who will

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greatly miss her. She is also survived by her second family, her Nov. 1 at the Emerson Health Care children at the First Cerebral Palsy of NJ.

Dora E. Capezzera

A Mass was offered for Dora E. Capezzera (nee Restaino), 91, of Washington Township, formerly of Nutley Nov. 5 at Holy Family Church, Nutley, after the funeral from the Megaro Memorial Home, Belleville.

Mrs. Capezzera passed away Center, Emerson.

Newark, in Mrs. Born Capezzera lived in Belleville for 28 years and in Washington Township Elvira A. Frazzano, (nee Niosi), 91, for six years. She was a quality control inspector for the U.S. Government for many years.

She was the wife of the late Frank; mother of Kathleen Sparacio; mother-in-law of Frank Sparacio; grandmother of Vincent, Daniel and Matthew Sparacio, and

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sister of the late Rosinell Miglori.

Elvira A. Frazzano

Services were held privately for of Belleville Nov. 2 at Caggiano Memorial, Montclair. Mrs. Frazzano passed away Oct.

30 at Clara Maass Medical Center. Mrs. Frazzano was predeceased

by her husband, Michael Frazzano, in 2007, and eight brothers and sis-

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ters. She is survived by her children, Theresa Lee Graney, and her husband, Joseph, Michael Fraz-zano and William Frazzano and ₩ his wife, Tracy; two sisters, Rose Kearns, and Lillian Zarrillo; six 6 grandchildren, Joseph, Kimberly, Dawn, Tina, Michael, and Lee, five great-grandchildren, and many Ξ nieces and nephews.

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A Night At The Museum, hosted ≧by the Nutley Olde Towne Centre, to be held Friday, Nov. 7 (tomorrow) from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

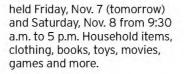
at Knights of Columbus, 150 Chestnut St., Nutley. Enjoy beautiful works of art by local artists, appetizers from local restaurants and a wine tasting. An evening to mingle and network with music and ambiance. Local artists are invited to display their work and enjoy a wonderful evening. Admission is \$10.

Rummage sale, hosted by the

United Methodist Church, 225

Washington Ave., Belleville, to be

Women's Society of Wesley



Country Store, hosted by the Montclair Heights Reformed Church, Valley Road and Mount Hebron Road, Upper Montclair, to be held Friday, Nov. 7 (tomorrow) from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 8 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Only furniture will be sold on Thursday, Nov. 6. For more information, call 746-2656.

World Community Day,

sponsored by Church Women United (CWU), Saturday, Nov. 8 at Christ Episcopal Church of Bloomfield/Glen Ridge, CWU is a nondenominational group involving Protestant, Roman Catholic and other Christian women across the United States and Puerto Rico who work for peace and social justice. The organization is recognized as a United Nations Non-Governmental Organization. Women are invited to celebrate the theme "God's Wisdom Sets

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Us Free," which calls upon participants to look at the struggles in their own lives and reflect on how they are called to minister to others, especially those in prison. Registration for CWU members starts at 9:30 a.m. The celebration begins at 1 p.m. For more information, contact Pearl Anderson at 201-247-1515.

Open House & Silent auction, to be held Sunday, Nov. 9 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Kingsland Manor, Lakeside Drive and Kingsland Road, Nutley. All are invited.

A Tasteful Experience, offered by the Clara Maass Medical Center Foundation, Monday, Nov. 10 at Pleasantdale Chateau, West Orange, to benefit Clara Maass Medical Center. More than 40 of the area's finest restaurants, caterers and purveyors of spirits will donate their time, talent and wares to raise funds for the hospital's programs and services. Foodies and wine aficionados can attend the main event beginning at 7 p.m. for \$90. A \$150 ticket allows participants to also enjoy a VIP Experience, a pre-event hour starting at 6 p.m. and featuring a special guest and luxury swag bag. To register, visit the Web site www.claramaassfoundation.org or call 450-2277 for more information.

Ladies Auxiliary to Stuart E.

Edgar Post 493, Veterans of Foreign Wars to hold a business meeting on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Post Home, 271 Washington Ave., Nutley. Membership is open. For more information, write to Stuart E. Edgar Post 493 Auxiliary, 21 Spurr Pl., Nutley, NJ 07110. The Auxiliary sponsors many important programs benefiting veterans and their families. Next meeting: Tuesday, Nov. 11.

Veterans Day Service, hosted by the Nutley Veterans Council, Tuesday, Nov. 11 at 10:45 a.m. at the World War II Memorial at the Nutley Library.

Nutley Community

Preservation Partnership, meeting to be held Wednesday, Nov. 12 at 7:30 p.m. at the Nutley Parks and Recreation Building, 44 Park Ave. with Jeff Tittel, New Jersey Director of the Sierra Club as guest speaker. Admission is free. For more information, call 667-7165 or visit www.preservenutley.org.

Viva Las Vegas Tricky Tray, hosted by the Bloomfield High School Home & School Association, Thursday, Nov. 13 at The Bethwood, Totowa. Doors open at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$30. For tickets, call Jo Ann Bonfante at 680-9848 or Mary Donovan at 429-9421.

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Condo residents complain about tax hikes

BY RICHARD DICKON of Belleville Times

The president of a condominium tenants association claims taxes have risen for tenants 65 percent causing a hardship and landing the condo complex in tax court.

Nutley's tax assessor tells another story, saying that the complex's tax increase is proportional to the rest of the township following a property revaluation two years ago, and that the complex's maintenance fees have increased, causing a hardship.

Ninetta Pappas is president of the Arbor Hills condominium complex tenant association, and said residents of the complex bordering both Nutley and Belleville on River Road "are very upset" and "can hardly make ends meet" following what she said is a 65 percent tax increase.

The condo complex has a tax appeal against the town, with a court hearing scheduled for January, she said.

Nutley Tax Assessor George Librizzi said the complex formed its own co-operative and there may be a problem with maintenance fees, "exterior stuff" that doesn't involve taxes but instead concerns hot water and other utilities. "A lot of unit owners are concerned," Librizzi said.

Pappas claimed the problem is all about a tax increase.

"A lot of people will have to leave because of the tax increase," Pappas said. "We've tried to find out why this is so high, since we don't use a lot of the town's amenities, because we have most of our own. We're trying to get some tax relief."

She said the complex receives a tax abatement for garbage pickup, but tenants "hardly use the schools" since most are either retirees on fixed incomes or young people without children, "entry level" residents with smaller incomes. Also, the complex has its own security guards so tenants do not drain police services as much, Pappas said. "We're more self-sufficient," she

said. "We even have our own park. And we use the shops and give money to local vendors. I thought with all that we should get some help?

Librizzi said he knows a lot of condo unit owners "are concerned," with 216 units each on the Nutley and Belleville sides.

Resident gets economics degree from Boston U

Boston University awarded academic degrees to 1,576 students in September.

Among the graduates was Belleville resident Alyssa N. Musso, who received a bachelor's degree in economics.

Boston University is the fourth largest independent university the United States, with an enrollment of more than 29,000 students in its 17 schools and colleges. It offers a grounding in the liberal arts, engineering and professional areas, and state-of-the-art facilities for teaching and research.

'It's not different than what happened to the average homeowner. Remember, Hoffman-LaRoche knocked down a building, taking away a large source of tax ratable income.

George Librizzi Nutley Tax Assessor

He said the pre-revaluation and Nutley. post-revaluation tax numbers tell

"It's not different than what the story of how taxes have risen, happened to the average homeas they did for many properties in owner," Librizzi said. "Remember,

a building, taking away a large source of tax ratable income."

From 2005 to 2006, Librizzi said the tax rate increased an average of \$924 a year, or \$77 per month.

"The tax rate changed for every resident," he said. "I think there's more going on (at Arbor Hills). An increase of \$77 doesn't seem like that much. On balance, I don't see that much of an upheaval. They need to get a line item breakdown from their management company." He said he was told that main-

Hoffman-LaRoche knocked down tenance fees went up as much as \$200 to \$300 a month. Pappas said the problem is all about a 65 per- ₩ cent tax increase, but offered no ∃ other hard numbers.

Librizzi said, "I don't see where they're immune to a tax increase. It went up a lot, but they were previ- = ously under-assessed."

He said the average listing price is \$167,000, and that is represented by assessing the property at \$152,000, which "is not out of whack. I'm comfortable that they're being treated equitably."



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Persi said that Anthony Novem-bre, an expert on educational foun-[⊥]dations, first showed the board [⊥]how to pass the legal resolutions necessary to start the entity.

He said the board must first form a committee to then select a larger committee of some 16 members.

"We expect that the foundation

RETREAT

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the retreat were developing " a grams, and team building.

will eventually be able to fund some projects," Persi said. The third major seminar of the day involved team building and was

hosted by Dr. Christine Johnson, who specializes in the technique. "We had the Superintendent from Boonton, and we all learned about where our strengths are, and how to work together as a board not just appear to get along," Longo said. "We need to attack problems to get them solved."

strategic plan" for the district, the

establishment of an educational

foundation to locate alternative

sources of funding for school pro-

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any remaining issues and then go to the public portion. Overall, Persi said, "I want us to get more done as a board of a whole and not just in committee."

Another change to be implemented is what Persi called " a key communicator program." This would have individuals, elected or not and connected to the schools or not, that are influential in town kept informed of exactly what the school district is doing.

"We will pool them together, so

through them that is the most district." accurate," Persi said. "I think people will be really pleased with that."

Longo said the board wants to formally reach out to residents who were not happy with the conducting of recent board meetings, apologizing for the way those meetings were run.

"We want people to know that board member casting a 'no' a vote on a resolution does not mean there was a fight about it, but that they're just not on board with the decision," Longo said. 'Mr. Persi wants a fresh start, a new beginning and I think it will we can get information out be for the betterment of the school

The board enacted a new policy rewarding parental participation in local HSAs and PTOs. The board will be authorized to award \$100 each month to the parent organization with the highest percentage of attendance at its monthly meeting. The money can only be spent for school purposes, Persi said.

Finally, the board is now authorized to issue "Gold Card Passes" to senior citizens for all school-sponsored athletic events and pre-approved student productions. The passes are subject to the availability of seats at a particular event, Persi said.



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