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## REMEMBERING KING'S LIFE

Sharon Nardiello's first-grade class at Belleville School No. 9 learns about Martin Luther King Jr. They show off their timeline of his life, with events placed in chronological order on a clothesline.

# Councilman P.J. McDonald speaks out on township budget, operations

BY RICHARD DICKON  
of Belleville Times

With the Belleville Township Council dealing with the fallout from the woeful economy, one council member spoke for the first time about spending cuts while others talked about their expectations for trimming costs.

At the Jan. 13 public meeting, Third Ward Councilman P.J. McDonald said he had purposely been quiet for his first six months in office, but said his time for learning was over when it comes to commenting on the budget and the running of the township.

He said he knew officials were going to get "blasted" over what he said was a poor job of snow removal in what has so far been an icy winter (see related story on page 3).

While not specifically naming any municipal department directors, McDonald said, "Excuses I can't deal with. Department heads are making \$60,000, \$80,000 or \$100,000. They need to produce, or we'll find someone else."

As for cost-cutting in the 2009 municipal budget, he said he would submit a list of names, particularly those employees who have "company cars," that is cars paid for by the town for their personal use. McDonald said that by his estimate 11 individuals have such vehicles

that they're taking home.

"These are pretty much some of the higher paid people," he said. "Only one has that put into their contract. Others have them because of an ordinance dating back to the 1970s, and four are authorized by no one. If they're making \$120,000 or \$150,000, we should not be paying for their gas."

"I was not elected by department heads, I was elected by the 35,000 people in this town. I don't have any friends here."

McDonald then told residents they need to face the realities of economic hard times.

"Mark my words," he said. "Taxes will go up. Things are bad worldwide, nationally, statewide, countywide and then you get to us. But you don't see them, you see us. I will try not to take anything [services] away from people, and not have layoffs. But it is time to get real, and do the job and get rid of waste."

"There is an old saying, 'If it doesn't apply, let it fly.' You should only take umbridge with that if it applies to you."

Fourth Ward Councilman John Notari was equally stern, saying he expects to see reductions soon from the council budget committee.

"I will vote for a temporary budget," he said of a resolution on the meeting agenda. "I know that the committee has already made

'I was not elected by department heads, I was elected by the 35,000 people in this town.'

**P.J. McDonald**  
Third Ward Councilman

cuts. But by the next time we have to vote on a temporary budget, I want to see significant cuts. I will present my list at a future budget committee meeting, including personnel. I will not support any budget that hurts us."

Mayor Raymond Kimble later responded to Notari's request to meet with his budget committee, saying, "We should bring in Councilman Notari, and others as soon as possible. Put it in writing and submit it. Let's get started."

Township Manager Victor Canning is putting together a preliminary budget for the council to review and change. He said he is having daily budget meetings, and the last two rounds have yielded "a few hundred thousands in cuts. For the third straight year in a row, the operating budget for the police department has been reduced."

In a separate interview a day earlier, Canning said that the

township must by law introduce a tentative budget in March but will likely again this year not know what the state aid number is "until July."

If the town doesn't get "what we want," Canning said, additional reductions would be necessary at that late date.

"We'll introduce a budget based on the same amount of aid as last year, and then we have to adjust it when the number comes in," Canning said.

He called for an equitable way of cutting municipal aid, where each of the 566 state municipalities receives the same reduction, but said he knows that will never happen.

Second Ward Councilman Steve Rovell spoke specifically about an area of concern in the budget, saying he didn't want to see employees "nickel and dime us over overtime. We need decent expenditures without waste."

In December, the council compelled each municipal department director to come before the governing body. Each was asked what they were doing to trim costs, and then asked to find more to cut. Canning said he speaks with department heads daily about the progress of those cuts.

First Ward Councilwoman Marie Strumolo Burke was absent from the Jan. 13 council meeting.



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**Jan. 19**

■ Police arrested and charged Tereek Flood, 28, of Newark with driving while intoxicated at 12:55 a.m. The suspect's sport utility vehicle lost control on Joralemon Street and struck a building. He was taken to the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey for minor injuries and blood was drawn to determine his blood alcohol content. He was released on his own recognizance from the hospital.

**Jan. 18**

■ Police arrested and charged Luis Crespo, 28, of Bloomfield with driving while intoxicated and eluding at 1:09 a.m. The suspect's Ford Expedition was spotted by police almost striking a vehicle on

Little Street. The motorist then attempted to speed up and elude police before being stopped on Route 21 South. Police then determined the suspect was under the influence, and he was arrested. He was released on his own recognizance.

**Jan. 16**

■ Police arrested and charged Claire Dotli, 23, of Nutley with possession of a wax fold containing heroin at 11:55 a.m. The suspect's vehicle was stopped for multiple violations near 148 Mill St. A search then turned up the illegal narcotics, police said. She was released on her own recognizance.

**Jan. 15**

■ Police arrested and charged Arthur Christenson, 56, of Walling-

ton with possession of one wax fold containing heroin. The suspect's vehicle was stopped on Route 21 for multiple motor vehicle violations. When asked if he had any illegal narcotics in the vehicle, police said he replied, "Yes. I'm not going to lie." Police said he then gave them the illegal narcotics and was taken into custody. He was released on his own recognizance.

**Jan. 14**

■ Police arrested and charged Vincent Hart, 44, of Belleville with possession of a hypodermic syringe and being a suspended driver at 11:17 a.m. The suspect's vehicle was stopped after police observed the suspect driving 10 miles per hour with hazard lights on the

vehicle. According to police, he admitted being a suspended driver and the syringe was found in a subsequent search. He was released on his own recognizance.

■ A burglary and theft was reported from a residence in the zero block of Cedar Hill Avenue at 3:01 p.m. The victim said they returned from vacation to find that entry had been gained through the front door. A 32-inch television of undetermined value was reported missing. Police had no suspects and an investigation was continuing.

**Jan. 13**

■ Police arrested and charged Maria Cruz, 28, of Clifton with possession of four small plastic bags commonly used to sort illegal

narcotics that contained heroin residue at 10:15 a.m. A motor vehicle stop was conducted on the vehicle for failing to wear a seat belt, and police said the suspect tried to hide the evidence between the front seat and passenger door. When police opened the door, the evidence fell out, police said. She was released on her own recognizance.

*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.*

## ESSEX COUNTY

# Sheriff Fontoura offers winter driving tips

Essex County Sheriff Armando Fontoura has issued an alert to motorists, advising them to have their vehicles properly serviced and maintained for the winter months and to drive cautiously.

"It's the season for snowstorms and icy roads," Fontoura stated, "so it is imperative to make the necessary upgrades on all vehicles to reduce the dangers of winter driving. Tires, lights, batteries, anti-freeze and all engine fluid levels should be thoroughly inspected

and serviced."

Sheriff Fontoura also advised motorists to observe posted speed limits, to obey traffic pattern warning indicators and to not drink and drive. "Recommended speed limits apply when road conditions are ideal.

To avoid skidding, hydroplaning and to prevent accidents, I urge motorists to slow down when streets are wet or icy, or when visibility is poor. Many motorists fail to recognize that driving can be

particularly dangerous at this time of the year."

In New Jersey, a person is guilty of drunk driving if his or her Blood Alcohol Concentration is 0.08 percent or greater. "Law enforcement has zero tolerance for driving under the influence of alcohol," Fontoura noted. "The penalties for drunk driving are severe and include fines, jail time, mandatory in-patient alcohol education classes and the loss of one's driver's license."

Since weather forecasters pre-


dict a colder and snowier winter for the Atlantic Corridor states, from Virginia to Massachusetts, the sheriff also recommended that all vehicles be equipped with emergency gear, including blankets, flashlights or flares, a first aid kit, chains, jumper cables, a box of rock salt and a shovel.

"If you breakdown on the road you must have the protective clothing to keep yourself and your children warm and the necessary equipment to get your car going

again," Fontoura said. "A little common sense and planning now could prevent a dangerous or life-threatening situation later."

The sheriff also advised shoppers to always park in well-lit areas and to always check the back seat before entering the car. "Shoppers should be aware of their surroundings. Never park in dimly lit or isolated areas. Purchases should be stored in your trunk and never left exposed on the back seat."


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# 'The Two Percent' debuts in Belleville

BY MEGHAN GRANT  
of Belleville Times

Scheduled to appear in the New York International Independent Film & Video Festival, "The Two Percent," held its first public screening in Belleville.

The Wednesday, Jan. 14, screening was preceded by a reception at Nanina's in the Park, with drinks and appetizers for attendees. The main event was held in the ballroom to a lively audience of Belleville and Nutley locals.

As co-executive producer, Ralph Cardinale said during a speech prior to the screening, "We've brought the film to our backyard for family and friends to see."

Director Joe Shelesky and Director of Photography Sandy Perrelli, who both wrote the screenplay, spoke about growing up together, having first met in one of Belleville's elementary schools. Separated, the two came together years later in the hopes of working together, building upon the concept Cardinale pitched.

Filmed with young actors portraying the members of the 2 percent in their high school days, Nutley locations such as the school auditorium and hallways were

used with the permission of Superintendent Joseph Zarra. The actors and actresses dressed in styles fitting the end of the decade, along with a soundtrack featuring songs popular at the time.

Viewers commented about what they liked most about the short film. "I liked the way it ping-ponged between the flashbacks and modern day scenes," said one gentleman after seeing it.

"It was fantastic; I didn't want it to end," said a woman who's known members of the 2 percent for years. "They had me believing I really was back in high school. I was looking for other people I knew."

Director Shelesky has high hopes for the film, especially the submitting of "The Two Percent" for entry in the Tribeca Film Festival, where he's screened some of his prior work. Currently, he is working on two larger productions.

Co-executive producer and 2 percent member Sal Failla expressed his hopes to see the short film turn into a longer project, being able to tell more of the story. "This gives us a chance to meet people in the industry," said Failla of the film's entry in the



PHOTO COURTESY OF SANDY PERRELLI

Members of the 2 percent take part in the funeral scene of the film, paying their respects to deceased member Gary Milano.

film festival.

The New York International Independent Film & Video Festi-

val will show the film on its opening night, March 19.

For more information about the

film and upcoming screenings, visit [www.the2percent.com](http://www.the2percent.com)

## PUBLIC WORKS

# Director explains snow removal

BY RICHARD DICKON  
of Belleville Times

Residents frustrated with what they say was poor snow removal by Belleville's Department of Public Works received an explanation of the circumstances that contributed to the problems and an apology, but the DPW director said he would offer "no excuses."

At the Jan. 13 Belleville Township Council meeting, DPW Director Jim Messina, a former mayor and councilman, told an audience, "I apologize for the poor job. There are no excuses."

He said the DPW currently has 100 tons of salt and has requisitioned the county for 200 tons more.

Clearmon Place resident John Giordano said explanations were of little help to him and those on his block.

"We had ice for three days," Giordano said. "We have seniors on the block. If my sidewalk was like that, you'd fine me. I'm tired of having to call to get plowed."

Messina said, "It's virtually impossible to get our big trucks down dead-end streets. They're huge, and not easy to maneuver."

He said standard operating procedure during snowstorms is to clear hills first, the hospital second and then schools. With many miles of road to clear, priorities are necessary, Messina said.

To add to the difficulty, he said that Union and Washington avenues are not the township's responsibility, leaving them at the mercy of county or state officials.

One area he said needs improvement is that the drivers

'Excuses I can't deal with. Department heads need to produce, or we will look somewhere else.'

P.J. McDonald  
Third Ward Councilman

"need to keep their plows down," but many experienced drivers missed time during the series of snow and ice storms in December and so far in January.

"Trucks are (ending up) sitting in the yards," Messina said, but he added that he will not send an employee out without the proper driver's license for plowing.

In remarks about the challenging budget crisis facing the township (see story on page 1), Third Ward Councilman P.J. McDonald and Second Ward Councilman Steve Rovell talked about the functioning of the DPW, among many issues.

McDonald said, "I know we're going to get blasted about the snow tonight. Everybody wanted to know what the hell happened. Excuses I can't deal with. Department heads need to produce, or we will look somewhere else."

Rovell said, "I understand that overtime in public safety, broken water mains and snow removal are in the best interests of the town and address public hazards, but I don't want to waste money being nickel and dimed on overtime. We need decent expenditures without waste."



PHOTO COURTESY OF DAWN BUCCINO/BMS

Representing the Belleville Middle School winning team in the Junior Interact Club canned food drive are, from left, Michael Popovich, Brian Gorosito, Katie Dolan, Robert Somma and Anthony Ferrara.

## BMS collects food for the needy

*Editor's note: Due to a submission error, the Junior Interact Club article on page 5 in last week's Times was on last year's food drive. This is the correct article regarding this year's drive.*

The Junior Interact Club of Belleville Middle School, under the leadership of Stephanie Gallo, recently sponsored its second annual canned food drive. But this year's drive had a twist and was set up as a contest between the six seventh- and eighth-grade BMS teams.

The goal was to collect as many canned food items as possible in a two-week period - 10 school days

in December. The prize to the team with the highest can count - a full-page group photo in the upcoming BMS yearbook.

Four of the six teams collected more than 100 cans.

Teacher Rob Robinson's team collected 153, and Jimmy Risoli's team had 210. Paul Caramagna's team came in second place with 538 cans.

However, the winning team was Anthony Ferrara's team, which also had the record in last year's canned food drive.

This year, Ferrara's team, including teachers Gina Conte, Lori Whittom, Cory Koransky, Dawn

Buccino, Mike Popovich and Steve Taras collected 1,225 cans. This total more than doubled its winning count of 610 cans last year.

Altogether, BMS collected 2,192 cans for families in need this winter.

Because of the large donation, Gallo was able to divide the winnings and assist several food pantries.

The Nutley American Red Cross expressed its gratitude for the generosity of the BMS students. The Bessie Green Community Food Pantry in Newark was also a recipient of the canned food.

## CORRECTION

The Times misidentified Richard Yanuzzi as the director of the Belleville Library Board of Trustees in a story on page 3 last week. He

is an alternate to the mayor on the board. The Rev. Shirley Harris is the board president. Also, the library's free passes to the

Metropolitan Museum of Art and Natural History Museum in New York City began in the summer, but actually run year-round.



## Celebrating an extraordinary Tuesday

Jan. 20 was not another Tuesday. Its passing did not sink quietly into winter's early darkness, forgotten as soon as Wednesday came.

It was an extraordinary day; the culmination of hundreds of years of hope, of pain, of quiet forbearance and of loud cries for justice. It was Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Malcolm X and Frederick Douglass rolled into one. Barack Obama became the 44th president.

The election of the son of a Kenyan father and a white American mother, the child of modest background and graduate of the Ivy League, reminds us that it really is true: Anyone can become president.

"I will never forget that in no other country on Earth is my story even possible," Obama said in his speech on race. "It is a story that hasn't made me the most conventional candidate. But it is a story that has seared into my genetic makeup the idea that this nation is more than the sum of its parts — that out of many, we are truly one."

In Obama's story there is something for all Ameri-

cans. He enters his presidency with 65 percent of respondents in an Associated Press poll believing he will be an "above average" or "outstanding" president. He is hugely popular. More popular even than Ronald Reagan, who, before he took office, garnered a 51 percent approval rating.

Savor the moment. It is a luxurious one made up of goodwill and anticipation, as yet unmarred by any actual events or decisions. Inauguration Day brought a temporary, but much needed, partisan truce.

The outgoing Bush administration were gracious and helpful during the transition. Republicans and Democrats gathered together to mark the end of one presidency and the beginning of another.

As a nation, we are exhausted, worn out by war, by unemployment and by economic insecurity. We are not sure what the next step should be.

Many Americans believe Obama is the president who will be able to fan the ember of hope into the flame of optimism. For a moment, we are living in

1963 and in 2009 simultaneously. King delivers his "I Have a Dream" speech at the Lincoln Memorial and an 89-year-old Pete Seeger and a 59-year-old Bruce Springsteen sing "This Land is Your Land" in the same spot to crowds who heartily join in. If only this crystalline hope and goodwill could be sustained.

For black Americans, Obama's victory is the sweet end to a long thread of voting rights struggles, from the 15th Amendment in 1870 through the Voting Rights Act of 1965 to recent ballot disputes.

Louis Hamilton, a former slave interviewed by the Federal Writers' Project in the late 1930s, said, "The first time I voted was for Teddy Roosevelt. I've been voting ever since. Lots of them have told me how to vote, but I never sold my vote."

The black vote for Obama counted. As did the white, Hispanic and Asian votes. Whatever the next four years bring, we had last Tuesday.

— The Record

### LETTERS

#### Where are the reductions?

##### TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to express my thoughts towards township officials.

As everyone knows, the world is in an economic crisis, except for the Township of Belleville. People in Belleville deserve a government they can trust, not officials that only have one thing on their mind, which is overspending.

Belleville residents are getting taxed out of their homes due to ever increasing taxes, as a result of the budget. If the president and governor have reaffirmed us that the world is in an economic turmoil, then why haven't township officials been able to follow their format? Where are the cuts in spending?

This town cannot afford operating at 11 percent, which is what we have been averaging the last two years.

If I recall, Mr. Canning, the township manager, exactly two years ago made a statement in the

Belleville Times that Belleville was poor. If Canning thought that Belleville was poor, where does he think the town stands now?

The governor's recent State of the State address stated that every municipality must not raise taxes by more than 4 percent in the coming fiscal year. That means if Belleville does not start making cuts now this town could be headed for a disaster as far as debt and foreclosures. With that being said, I urge all taxpayers of Belleville to attend the next council meeting.

On Jan. 27, I ask that every

financially strapped resident to simply ask our township manager about a master plan, if any. As a father of three wonderful kids, I cannot sit back and let township officials ruin this town I call

home. That is why I wrote this letter.

Frank Velez Jr.  
Belleville

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## Auto service celebrates 50 years in business



LIFE IN SILVER LAKE  
CHARLES BURKE

Well, Charlie is still recuperating at Clara Maass Medical Center, so I guess here comes article No. 2 from me, Angela Cuzzo-Zarro, a.k.a. The Angel.

Congratulations to Mr. Anthony Clemente who will celebrate 50 years this January 2009 as the owner and operator of Silver Lake Auto Service, 22 Brook St., Silver Lake, Belleville.

Working with him is his son, Anthony, who has worked with him for more than 30 years.

Anthony Clemente Sr., and his wife Mary Ann have five children and seven grandchildren.

We in the township wish the Silver Lake Auto Service another 50 years.

January birthdays are coming. James Grant and Anthony Gammara shared a birthday on Jan. 19. Anthony will hit the 44th plateau and James the 19th year. Ronnie Smith and Gary Souss also share their birthday on Jan. 23. Gary will be 44, and Ronnie will be 12 years old. The last is Michael Infusino, who celebrates on Jan. 27 and will hit the 20th plateau.

If you like, you can send Charlie some get-well greetings from all his Silver Lake and Belleville friends.

And remember, we love Silver Lake.



PHOTO COURTESY OF MILLIE CAIRO

### STILL PUMPING

The Belleville Barbell Club stages a reunion in Manchester. Pictured, kneeling from left, are former coach Bucky Cairo, Brian Derwin, Pete Dyt, Dave Stern and Mike Jorosinski; back row, Joe Ippolito, Millie Cairo, Bill McKeon, Rich Seibert, Pete Amerman, Ray Lavender, Dave God-sall, Wayne Guarino, Mark Morthier, Harry Hess, George Leggett, Tom Cairo, Bruce Klemens and Alvin Morgenstern. During the 1970 and 1980s, some members of the weightlifting team had success at the Summer Olympics and U.S. Nationals.

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# Maintenance questions arise as grants sought for turf

BY RICHARD DICKON  
of Belleville Times

While officials look to secure grant money to fund a new synthetic turf for the overused main football and soccer field at Municipal Stadium, proper maintenance of the existing grass field was questioned by officials at the Jan. 13 Belleville Township Council meeting. At a recent work session, the township council and manager talked about getting hundreds of thousands of dollars from each of three sources, including the county Community Development Block Grant program, the county Open Space Preservation program and the state Green Acres Open Space program.

Township Manager Victor Canning said he was getting "good vibes" from county and state officials about possible hundreds of thousands in grants for the turf. "I think they're going to consider it, but I can't say exactly what they're going to do now," Canning said.

In the meantime, he said he wants to get price quotes for either new soil to grow grass or to place sod at the existing field.

"There's too much rocks and debris there for grass to grow for this fall season to come," Canning said. "We need to put in sod or remove the soil and put better soil in, and then have a good, healthy growing season."

Second Ward Councilman Steve Rovell said officials were working to schedule games as late as possible in September to allow maximum time for the soil to fully develop.

'There's too much rocks and debris for grass to grow for this fall season to come.'

Victor Canning  
Township Manager

Responding to criticisms from an audience member, Mayor Raymond Kimble said previous work to build a new baseball field was done with Community Development Block Grant money.

"We'd be fixing the football field with grant money also," Kimble said. "We have to look at if it's feasible, or we will not take it upon ourselves." He said a concession stand, also under consideration, is probably not an allowable category for CDBG.

Township Engineer Thomas Herits said previously that the township would qualify for a \$400,000 grant towards a turf field from CDBG. He said the project would need soil work where existing dirt fill is replaced with a lighter soil that has the consistency of pumice, about half the weight of the existing soil.

That would be done so the soil won't settle anymore and also aids in drainage, Herits said. Estimating the cost at \$8 a square foot, he said that it would cost approximately \$800,000, and the total cost of the project would be approximately

\$1.5 million.

There's a lot that doesn't need to be done to the underlying soil, Herits said of keeping the costs lower. He has said the county has \$5 million it needs to spend by June 2009, and if the township makes the stadium turf a priority, officials can also obtain money.

First Ward Councilwoman Marie Strumolo Burke is taking a lead on the county open spaces program, and said that, being a retired county employee, she has spoken to county officials. She recently had a meeting with a state Green Acres official who said the program is looking for a joint effort.

Canning agreed that if the township can garner in the neighborhood of \$300,000 for each source, that would be "a home run," and the township would gladly pay the difference.

He said Belleville's landscape makes the need for a turf field that would not wear down all the more important, since Belleville is densely populated with only one sanctioned field for everything from varsity to peanut league games.

As it stands now, the town ends up with a field in "deplorable" condition by November, and the township can't afford to spend \$60,000 to \$80,000 to re-sod it every year, he said.

Canning has said there may also be money left over to help fix the crumbling front wall of the stands at the stadium.



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## PERFECT SCORE

According to Belleville School No. 7, Jared Westoven was the only child in his fifth-grade class to achieve a perfect score on the math section of the NJASK5. He takes a special interest in math and challenges himself in answering higher-level math problems.



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## Rotary sponsors exchange program for the region

Rotary clubs are joining together in a search for young adults to represent the region in a cultural exchange with Japan. The Rotary Short-Term Youth Exchange Program, in its 31st year, offers students ages 15 to 23 the opportunity to experience life in another country.

The group will be departing during the last week of June for Shikoku Island, Japan, where families of Japanese Rotarians will host them for three weeks. During their stay, participants will visit Kyoto and Hiroshima, as well as cultural, entertainment, business and government sites in southern Japan.

A like number of Japanese students will be visiting northern New Jersey Rotarian families in August.

The group will be limited to 30 people plus three Rotarian leaders. The cost of the trip is \$2,700, which covers the cost of transportation to and from Shikoku Island. The host Rotarians in Japan will absorb other costs.

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# Parties discuss students helping seniors

BY RICHARD DICKON  
of Belleville Times

Town officials are looking to help senior citizens with household maintenance, and are finalizing plans to pave streets. Several other pieces of official business were finalized at the Jan. 13 public meeting of the Belleville Township Council.

Fourth Ward Councilman John Notari said he wants to revive a program he is calling "Adopt-A-Senior."

He said he has spoken to Interim Superintendent of Schools Melindo Persi about recruiting high school students to assist

senior citizens with difficult household chores, including shoveling snow and raking leaves.

"Mr. Persi has been very receptive," Notari said. "It will be done through the guidance department. They should soon have the program ready to go."

He said there would be no liability for the schools since homeowners would have insurance should a student suffer an injury.

Resident Phyllis Frantantoni said such a program had been in existence, but was allowed to cease existing in recent years.

On the subject of paving streets, Notari inquired about what kind of list is being compiled for the spring.

Township Manager Victor Canning said that there was already a list of streets either completed or still left to be done using county Community Development Block Grant money and state Department of Transportation grant money.

In addition to those streets, each ward councilperson can choose two additional streets for paving and repair, Canning said. In Notari's case, all of the streets he had asked to be paved have been completed, so he said he would begin a new list.

Canning said that Thomas Herits, township engineer, removes the first two streets from each ward

council person's list, and "goes from there."

Also at the Jan. 13 council meeting:

■ With the boiler having failed at the Silver Lake Firehouse, the township council authorized re-appropriating \$38,649.03 from other ordinances where the money was not needed. The money will go also for roof repairs at the firehouse and a document management system for the Code Enforcement Department, in addition to fixing the firehouse generator, according to the ordinance.

The ordinance was passed on second and final reading following a public hearing.

■ The council ratified the appointment of Yolanda Sanchez to the Library Board of Trustees to fill the unexpired term of Janice McManus, who resigned effective Jan. 1, 2009.

■ The Rev. Paul Walker of Christ Episcopal Church, 383 Washington Ave., was appointed as a Class C member of the Historic Preservation Commission, with a term to expire on June 30, 2012. His appointment was lauded by resident Michael Perone.

■ An amended risk management consultant's agreement between Belleville and Joseph

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## Laptops for council members?

Town officials discussed the possibility of laptop computers for council members and a reverse 911 notification system at the Jan. 13 public council meeting.

Township Manager Victor Canning talked about purchasing laptop computers for council members, a move that he said could have several long-term benefits following a relatively small expenditure of funds.

"We could eventually become paperless," Canning said. "You wouldn't believe the amount of paper we waste every week around here."

The second advantage is more obvious, he said. "It would be a cost-savings in the long run," Canning said.

First Ward Councilwoman

Marie Strumolo Burke had broached the idea a while back, when school board members began using laptops.

One audience member spoke against buying laptops, saying the school board only used them for a short period.

Second Ward Councilman Steve Rovell asked Canning about the progress of the reverse 911 system. The system would send out alerts to residents in the event of an emergency via telephones and cell phones.

"Whatever you can do to expedite it I would like to see you do," Rovell told Canning. Canning said the Board of Education is looking to use the same system

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# Proposed Lowe's has a deeper problem

BY RICHARD DICKON  
of Belleville Times

Good environmental news about the future of the Lowe's Home Improvement Center coming to Belleville may be outweighed by potential bad news that could delay the start of work on the project by 18 months to two years, according to Township Manager Victor Canning.

State environmental officials have said the no further action is needed on soil at the proposed location, the former Walter Kidde property, long vacant on Main Street.

However, the handling of underwater contaminants could delay the process. That would happen if a thermal process is used, rather than a chemical process, Canning said.

Officials have hoped for years that the property, now owned by the Finkelstein brothers, could be transformed from the abandoned fire extinguisher factory to a mod-

ern ratable commercial or retail store. WalMart had come looking before Lowe's, but retracted its interest after years of delays on environmental cleanup.

Now, Canning said the state Department of Environmental Protection has finally granted a "no further action" decree for the contaminated soil, one of the two remaining environmental hurdles.

As for underground water contamination, there are two choices. The first is a chemical process, which has the advantage of allowing a developer to build on the site while the remediation is being completed, Canning said. "That's the good part," he said. "The problem is that other things could pop up after construction begins."

That makes chemical processing of the underground water riskier, he said.

The second option is a thermal process, which involves creating fires underground.

"The good thing there is that when it's done, it's done," Canning

'We rezoned the property, we have been very ambitious, but these issues are far out of our control. We have to wait and see on the water treatment plan.'

Victor Canning  
Township Manager

said. "But you can't build on top of it while that's going on. So even if we move forward, it still takes 18 months to two years."

Canning spoke of frustration with the process.

"We rezoned the property, we have been very ambitious, but these issues are far out of our control," he said. "We have to wait and see on the water treatment plan." The Belleville Township Coun-

cil has continued to support the plans.

A site plan approval predicated on the developers' receiving clearance from DEP was granted at a special meeting held in May 2006.

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

Lowe's representatives could not be reached for comment.

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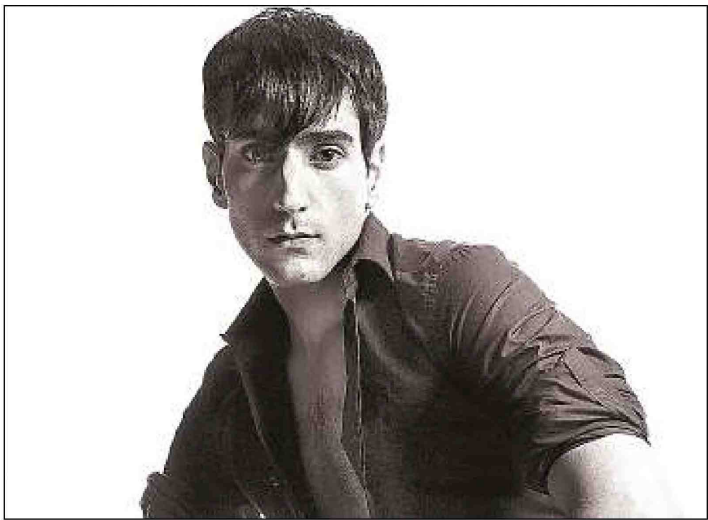


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# Town to begin two programs

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For the younger crowd, there is the Kindergym program, open to children enrolled in kindergarten through second grade. Boys and girls can participate in organized game and activities tailored for their age group.

The kindergarten only session takes place Tuesdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. 6 and will begin on Tuesday, Jan. 27, while the first and sec-

ond grade class is held on Thursdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Sign up forms are available at the Belleville Recreation House, 407 Joralemon St., which is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Parents are required to check in their child with the program leader at the start of the event, and arrive five to 10 minutes prior to dismissal to pick them up.

Also kicking off late this month is the Recreation Department's Cheerleading Clinic, beginning Monday, Jan. 26. This series of

classes will give kids the chance to learn basic skills involved in cheerleading.

Meetings are held at School No. 8 for grades 1 through 4 on Mondays and for grades 5 through 8 on Wednesdays, both between 6:30 and 8:30 in the evening.

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## 'Superfluous Spy' in need of 'jurors'

Pianos Bar and Grill presents a new interactive murder mystery entitled "We the Jury: The Case of the Superfluous Spy" on Saturday, Jan. 24 at 7:30 p.m.

When an informant learns too much and is killed, the death leads to the arrest of four former CIA operatives, each with a grudge. One spy sold secrets to a foreign power and someone has found out. It's up to the audience to question and cross-examine witnesses and defendants to get at the truth ... and have some laughs along the way. Audience members will be selected for the roles of court artist, bailiff and witnesses.

All tickets are \$40 per person. Doors open at 7:30 p.m.

Pianos is located at 36 Broad St. For reservations or additional information, call 973-743-7208 or visit the Web site [www.pianos-barandgrill.com](http://www.pianos-barandgrill.com).



## SET OF IDEAL

Glen Ridge Congregational Church hosts "The Spanish Ideal," a presentation of world music by composers such as Granados, Piazzola and Scarlatti, designed to evoke colorful images of Spain, South America and Italy, on Sunday, Jan. 25 at 3 p.m. The Essex Duo, with Laura George on flute and Darren O'Neill on guitar, will perform in the GRCC Blue Room. A reception follows. Tickets are \$18 for adults, \$15 for seniors and \$8 students. Glen Ridge Congregational Church is located at 195 Ridgewood Ave., Glen Ridge. Call 973-743-5596 for more information.

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## ATLANTIC CITY

By Ellen Burke Rawls



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## Celebrate Festival Carnivale at the Tropicana

As the winds and snow chill our bones and the winter doldrums set in, Tropicana is the place to be on Friday! Come celebrate Festival Carnivale de Tropicana with a free property-wide celebration from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Trop has elevated partying to an art form, and will kick things up another notch for an extraordinary Cuban-style carnivale celebration. The fun includes a professional tarot card reader, psychics, body art and caricaturists. There'll be some great photo ops, strolling entertainment, live music, great DJs, even professional dancers who'll be on hand to teach Latin line dances and salsa.

You'll be able to purchase Carnivale tickets on arrival Friday, redeemable for food, drink and entertainment specials at the various participating outlets. For one \$5 ticket each, you can sample taste treats at The Quarter from a Crab Cake Slider with Mango Salsa at The Palm, Beef Stroganoff at Red Square, Veggie Lasagna at Carmine's, a specialty Ceviche appetizer at Cuba Libre or P.F. Chang's Chicken or Pork Lo Mein. The Comedy Stop Café is offering two pizza slices with a soda for just one ticket and Planet Rose has free karaoke and special pricing on The Planet Rose Cocktail. At Providence, the beverage of the night is the Cosmo Martini and Tango's has created a specialty cocktail in honor of Carnivale. Ri-Ra will showcase a specially priced 10 oz. Lamb Stew served with Irish Soda Bread & Guinness Honey Butter.

There will be even more Carnivale offerings in the Boardwalk-front Marketplace at Firewaters, Starbucks, Corky's, Hooters, and Adam Good Sports Bar and Deli.

Perhaps one of the most exciting specials are the special \$35 prix fixe dinner menu at Trop's premier gourmet restaurants, Il Verdi and Wellington's. For the very first time on a weekend, you'll be able to dine like a hiroller on a penny-slotplayer's budget! At Il Verdi, Trop's magnificent Northern Italian gourmet room, choices include Insalata di Spinaci al Gorgonzola, crisp spinach leaves with Gorgonzola cheese, chopped egg and crisp Pancetta tossed in a roasted shallot and sweet Madeira vinaigrette dressing. (This same salad appears on the restaurant's regular ala carte menu, listed at \$10.) Another option is the Insalata Caprese, a colorful striping of fresh house-made mozzarella with plum tomatoes and fresh basil drizzled with Apulian olive oil and a splash of balsamic syrup (\$15 on the regular menu). Entrees range from Gnocchi Gratinato con Tartuffo with porcini mushrooms and a black truffle Parmesan

cream to grilled Salmone di Susanna topped with jumbo lump crabmeat, diced tomatoes, white wine and garlic lemon butter sauce.

Wellington's \$35 Tasting Menu offers a choice of traditional Caesar or the chef's specialty House Salad, and entrees ranging from Pork Porterhouse with Riesling Pear and Peach Chutney, Frenched Chicken Breast served over Crab Couscous (\$30 as entrée alone on regular menu), Grilled Grouper Oscar with asparagus, jumbo lump crabmeat and Bearnaise Sauce (\$32 on regular menu), or Twin Grilled Beef Tenderloin with chili onion crisps over cheddar mashed potatoes with a choice of sauces.

Trop's pastry chef outdoes himself with Kahlua-drenched Tiramisu and Torrone Cheesecake topped with toasted almonds and candied walnuts at Il Verdi. Diners at Wellington will be faced with the divine dilemma of choosing a Banana Split Cheesecake, Parrot Bay Crème Brulee with coconut rum topped with fresh berries, or the Triple Chocolate Decadence comprised of layers of moist devil's food cake with chocolate mousse and crème Anglaise.

Again, the selections are taken from the restaurants' regular ala carte menus, and the diner comes away with a fabulous gourmet experience for as little as half the usual tariff! These \$35 specials are normally offered only during the week, and this Friday presents the first time weekend visitors can take advantage of the splendid opportunity to dine in the elegance of the gourmet rooms at coffee shop prices!

Friday night Tropicana presents the War at the Shore, an 11-fight Mixed Martial Arts card featuring top-ranked lightweight Eddie Alvarez vs. former Japanese champion, Naoyuki Kotani. The show will also feature woman's MMA sensation Tara LaRosa and former ELITE XC star, Wilson Reiss. The action begins at 9 p.m. with doors open at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are priced \$55 - \$250.

Adding to the sizzle of the evening's events will be Playboy's Miss February, the sexy centerfold Jessica Burciaga. Jessica will serve as Celebrity Bartender at the Tropicana's newest hotspot, Providence, upstairs at The Quarter, from 9 p.m. to 10 p.m. She'll later be making a guest appearance during The War at the Shore, and then join five lucky guests for some Blackjack on the casino floor. Following her turn at the Blackjack table, Miss February will return to Providence to mix and mingle with patrons.

## Theatre Festival a month-long event


BloomfieldArts.org presents the North Jersey New Found Theatre Festival throughout the month of February. The festival showcases original works by writers from across the tri-state area as readings.

The festival is scheduled to commence on weekends in February at several different Bloomfield arts locations: Broad Street Playhouse (36 Broad St.), Broadway Performing Arts School (357 Broad St.), New Jersey School of Dramatic Arts (593 Bloomfield Ave.) and the Westminster Arts Center (Franklin and Fremont streets, on the Bloomfield College campus). The readings and workshop performances are open to the public for \$5. Each performance ends with a talk-back with the creative team, allowing audiences an opportunity to discuss the pieces they have just heard.

### Festival calendar:

Feb. 7 at 5 p.m.: "Forget About Me" by Ward James Riley at Broad Street Playhouse.  
Feb. 7 at 7:30 p.m.: "The Interview from Hell" by Morgan S. Gertler at New Jersey School of Dramatic Arts.  
Feb. 7 at 8 p.m.: "Motherhood and Other Desperate Acts" by Deb Maclean at Broadway Performing Arts School.  
Feb. 8 at 2 p.m.: "Laughing on Venus" by Ken Schachtman at Broad Street Playhouse.  
Feb. 12 at 7:30 p.m.: "Three on A Dime" by Eileen Benson at Westminster Arts Center.  
Feb. 14 at 4 p.m.: "These Arms of Mine: The Otis Redding Story," a musical by William James Ward at Westminster Arts Center.  
Feb. 20 at 8 p.m.: "Pluto is Not a Planet" by Carl Warner at New Jersey School of Dramatic Arts.  
Feb. 21 at 3 p.m.: "Four Horsemen" by

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# Nutley Theatre to debut 'The Dead'

Nutley Little Theatre will open its next production, "James Joyce's The Dead," a play about Christmas in Dublin with music and dance, on Friday, Feb. 6 at 8 p.m.

The dates for evening performances (8 p.m. curtain) of "James Joyce's The Dead" are Feb. 6, 7, 13, 14, 19, 20 and 21. Matinees at 2 p.m. are scheduled for Feb. 8, 14 and 15. The opening night performance will benefit the Nutley Family Service Bureau.

"James Joyce's The Dead" takes its title from the famous story ending Joyce's "Dubliners." The play itself is not at all gloomy, however; it celebrates the Irish tradition of holiday hospitality with exuberant music and dance. The show was adapted by Richard Nelson and Shaun Davey for the Broadway stage in 1999, and earned a Tony nomination. Nelson wrote the book and Davey, the music; both conceived and adapted the lyrics.

Directed by Ken Moore of Glen Ridge, the cast includes Cheryl Alessio of Nutley, Fred Bernardi of Wycoff, Vicky Chalk of Nutley, Luke Franklin of West New York, Honor Friberg of Weehawken, Jai-nine Gambarro of Nutley, Jean-marie Garver of River Edge, Laura Iacometta of Rochelle Park, Rich Maloy of Cedar Grove, John Mul-ahy of Cedar Grove, Don Sheffrin of Little Falls, Anne Kenny Simp-son of Bloomfield and Sally Walk-er of Cedar Grove.

Linda Ribaudo of Bloomfield is musical director, Marvin Krieger of Hoboken is choreographer and Janis Wolfe of Nutley is stage man-ager. Elyse Halloran of Somerset is technical director. James Martino of Glen Ridge is set and light designer. Joe Ribaudo of Bloom-field is sound designer. Laura Iacometta is responsible for props and set décor, and Marion Brady of Little Falls is costumer.

Nutley Little Theatre has engaged SmartTix.com to handle ticket sales by phone and through the Internet. Patrons can still order by phone by calling a new number: 1-877-238-5596. To order online, patrons can visit the NLT Web site [www.nutleylittletheatre.com](http://www.nutleylittletheatre.com) and click on the "Click for Tix" icon, or can go directly to [www.Smart-Tix.com](http://www.Smart-Tix.com). Tickets for Nutley Little Theatre musical productions are \$18 apiece. Discounts are available for senior citizens and students.

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](http://www.nutleylittletheatre.com).

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



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## FESTIVAL

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Sarah Grodsky at Broad Street Playhouse.

Feb. 21 at 5 p.m.: "Somewhere Between Heaven and Hell" by Casey Buttari at Broad Street Playhouse.

Feb. 21 at 7:30 p.m.: "The Fabulous Mind of Canine" by John Chev at New Jersey School of Dramatic Arts.

Feb. 22 at 2 p.m.: "Words of Wisdom" by Steve Triebes at Westminster Arts Center. Feb. 22 at 7 p.m.: "Ethical Procedure" by Megan Greener at Broadway Performing Arts School.

Feb. 26 at 7:30 p.m.: "Bugles" by George Winship at Broadway Performing Arts School.

Feb. 27 at 7:30 p.m.: "Divine," a musical by R.J. Lewis and Ralph Carbone at West-

minster Arts Center.

Feb. 27 at 7:30 p.m.: "From Ashes to Glo-ry" by Raymond Jordan at New Jersey School of Dramatic Arts.

Feb. 28 at 5 p.m.: "The Blairsburg Family Picnic" by Ben Clawson at New Jersey School of Dramatic Arts.

Feb. 28 at 3 p.m.: Four sketch plays:

"Heaven is a Waiting Room" by Andrew Ward, "Sexual Harassment Training" by Mike Fresta and "Roomies" and "Termi-nal" by Dave Valiante at Broad Street Playhouse.

Feb. 28 at 7 p.m.: "Miss Mary Dugan" by Manuel Grejas at Broadway Performing Arts School.

Feb. 28 at 8:30 p.m.: North Jersey New Found Theatre Festival meet-and-greet — a party for all cast members and writers at Pianos Bar & Grill.

### About BloomfieldArts.org

BloomfieldArts.org was formed this past summer by existing Bloomfield arts organizations to advance the arts in the township.

"Promoting the value of the arts during the country's financial uncertainties and showing how it can still aid in overall economic growth is very important to us," says co-founder Gregory Allen. "This festival not only allows writers an excellent opportunity to showcase their work, but it brings more people to our town to see all that we have to offer."

— For more information about this festival, links to locations and author bios, visit the Web site [info@bloomfieldarts.org](mailto:info@bloomfieldarts.org).

## DO TELL

Will Lampe and Julie Waldman-Stiel star in the musical "I Do! I Do!," opening Friday, Jan. 30 at 4th Wall Theatre in Bloom-field. The story follows the lives of Agnes (Julie Waldman-Stiel) and Michael (Will Lampe), a couple experiencing the joys and trials of 50 years of marriage. Told through funny and moving vignettes and punctuated with touching love songs such as "My Cup Runneth Over," the audience peers into their world at different moments in their lives. The story travels with Agnes and Michael as they struggle through marriage night jitters and career changes, celebrates the birth of their children and watches as they grow and get married themselves. Tickets are \$22, with discount pricing available for students and seniors. To purchase tickets, call 973-748-9008, ext. 279. Tickets may also be purchased online. For more information, visit the Web site [www.4thwalltheatre.org](http://www.4thwalltheatre.org).

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## WEDDING



### Jennifer Shields wed to Joseph Rotonda

Jennifer Marie Shields of West Paterson and Joseph Robert Rotonda of Belleville were married on July 11, 2008, at Holy Family Church in Nutley. Jennifer is the daughter of Allison and Steve Smith of West Paterson. Joseph is the son of Nanette and Joe Rotonda of Belleville.

The ceremony was officiated by Monsignor Paul Bochicchio. A reception followed at The Newark Club.

Maids of honor were Kelly and Terri Smith. Bridesmaids were Johnna Rotonda, Jodi LaCapra, Nurbia Lombardi, Bevin Kelly, Carrie Simoneau and Arianne Sikora.

Best men were Pasquale Capozzoli and Mario Lardieri. Groomsmen included Keith Wierzbicki, Jim LaCapra, Todd Lombardi,

Keith Kelly, Gerard Frasso, Gary Politano, Robert DeFrance and Sean Smith.

The bride wore an ivory strapless gown of imported lace with beading, crystals and a French bustle. Complementing her gown was a long tapered veil trimmed in lace, beading and crystals and a handmade necklace and earrings.

The bride is an alumna of Pasaic Valley High School and Caldwell College. She is a fourth grade teacher at Ana L. Klein School in Guttenberg.

The groom is a graduate of Seton Hall Prep, Caldwell College and The College of St. Elizabeth, Graduate School. He is a language arts teacher at Belleville Middle School.

The couple honeymooned in Hawaii and resides in Belleville.

## ANNIVERSARY



### Sparandeos celebrate 20th anniversary

Dominick and Agnes Sparandeo were sent on a two-week Alaskan Cruise for their 20th Anniversary given to them by their four children and 10 grandchildren.

Dominick, who had been a widower, was a previous center for the NJ Nets in the late 1960s and owned a computer consulting firm until 2003. He currently works for Lincare.

Agnes is a nurse, who writes medical curricula. She also teaches medical assisting, and medical billing and coding, for the past 16 years at a career college in Cherry Hill.

Dominick was originally from Long Branch, and Agnes was from Newark. They lived in Nutley and Belleville before residing in Toms River.

## HOPING FOR A HOME



Oreo was recently surrendered by her owner due to housing issues. The first few days, she was confused at being in a cage, but has warmed up nicely to the volunteers. A pretty tuxedo with hypnotizing green eyes, Oreo is used to being a house cat. We would like to see her adopted as quickly as possible before she gets depressed. Most surrenders do not adapt well to shelter cage life, and we would like to see Oreo back living in a home. She loves to play with her toy gingham mouse. This is a package deal – if you adopt sweet Oreo you will be adopting the gingham mouse as well, at no additional cost. Stop by the John A. Bukowski Shelter and meet Oreo. Telephone: 973-748-0194.

## Valentine's request

Attention readers, Valentine's Day is around the corner. Have an interesting story on how you found that special someone? Submit a brief story to us with a photograph.

Stories should be no longer than 200 words. Digital photos should be in the form of JPEG files at a minimum of 200 dpi and should be e-mailed to Tripoldi@northjersey.com.

If you prefer to mail yours, send to Debbie Tripoldi, 90 Centre St., Nutley, NJ 07110. Stories will run on first-come, first-serve basis throughout the month of February, depending on submissions.

## HOPING FOR A HOME



Lola was featured in October, dressed as a pumpkin for Halloween. Since she didn't receive any takers, she's decided to show her serious side and pose naturally. Either way, Lola is a natural beauty inside and out. This little lady was the mother of six kittens upon her arrival at the shelter. Her babies have long since been adopted while Lola waits. She is getting frustrated though, and has begun to excessively groom herself, which is causing some irritation to small parts of her coat. This behavior is stress-induced and will probably cease once Lola is in a loving home. She is a sweet cat, who is still quite young at about 2 years old. Ease Lola's stress and give her a loving home. She is waiting at the John A. Bukowski Shelter, 61 Bukowski Place, Bloomfield, 973-748-0194.



## HOPING FOR A HOME



Tabitha was brought to the shelter after a raccoon attacked her in a resident's yard. Upon arrival, she had suffered some abrasions to her face and chin, but has since healed nicely. Sweet with a cute face, Tabitha loves to be held and cuddled – a real baby. Anyone looking for a pet who really needs some old-fashioned nurturing, 4-month-old Tabitha is waiting for you at the John A. Bukowski Shelter, 61 Bukowski Place, Bloomfield. Telephone: 973-748-0194.



# Elementary menus

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**Salad menu offered daily (S)**

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**Yogurt Bag Lunch (Y) -**  
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**Jan. 22**  
Breakfast - Bagel with cream cheese and pure fruit juice or a fruit cup  
Lunch - Oven baked chicken nuggets or cheese steak on a roll  
Oven baked potato tots and a fruit cup

**Jan. 23**  
Breakfast - Large muffin and pure fruit juice or a fruit cup  
Lunch - Pizzeria pizza or cheese steak on a roll

**Jan. 26**  
Breakfast - Cereal bowl, snack cheese and pure fruit juice or fruit cup

Lunch - Rib-B-Que or oven baked chicken patty on a whole-wheat bun

Oven fries and a fruit cup

**Jan. 27**  
Breakfast- Buttered roll and pure fruit juice or a fruit cup  
Lunch - Fiesta Nachos with meat and cheese or oven baked chicken patty on a whole wheat bun  
Corn niblets and fruit cup  
Free baked Doritos with lunch

**Jan. 28**  
Breakfast - Cereal bowl, snack cheese and pure fruit juice or fruit cup  
Lunch - Smuckers grilled cheese pocket or oven baked chicken patty on a whole-wheat bun  
Oven baked potato tots and a fruit cup

**Jan. 29**  
Breakfast - Bagel with cream cheese and pure fruit juice or a fruit cup  
Lunch -Spaghetti with meat-balls and a dinner roll or oven baked chicken patty on a whole-wheat bun  
Green beans and a fruit cup



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## THINKING OF OTHERS

Jane Newman Kessler, vice president of Clara Maass Medical Center Foundation, accepts a check from Belleville School No. 8 teachers Genevieve Trocolor, Carmela McGowan and David Muller. In lieu of holiday presents for their teachers, sixth-grade students collected money for pediatric patients at Clara Maass Medical Center, raising \$161.

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## BHS INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD

## Setting a new standard

Indoor track team shatters records, earns first-ever medal at sectionals.

BY MIKE LAMBERTI  
for Belleville Times

The Belleville indoor track team continued its busy schedule by competing at the NJSIAA Group 3 relay championships last Sunday at the Ritacco Center in Toms River and the Tom Zaccone Invitational at Fairleigh Dickinson University in Hackensack on Jan. 7.

Scott Herman's team will compete in the Essex County individual championships at Seton Hall University in South Orange this Sunday at 9 a.m.

Last Sunday, the girls team of Sherece Shabazz, Vanessa Ackon, Victoria Barrett and Makeda Marshall won a sixth place medal in the 4 x 200 relay with a school-record time of 1:50.96. The old mark of 1:53.07 was set by Shabazz, Ackon, Barrett and Rebecca Cozzarelli last winter. It was the first time in the pro-

gram's 28-year history that a Belleville indoor track team garnered a medal at the state relays.

"The girls did a tremendous job," Herman said. "It's not easy to medal in the relays and they came through with a solid effort in a tough group."

The girls distance medley team of Adriana Tandazo, Rhea Nigli, Crissabel Victorio and Mary Diaz also set a new school record with a time of 14:40.91, eclipsing the old mark of 14:49.8 set by the team of Samantha Soto, Melissa Perez, Tandazo and Vanessa Ackon which was set last year. Another school record fell in the 4 x 400 when the team of Shabazz, Ackon, Barrett and Victorio ran 4:19.85, breaking their own mark set earlier this season.

Other good efforts were turned in by the boys distance medley team of Terrance Boyce, Matt Cabrita, Steven Sanabria and Zee-

shan Khan (11:53.96); the girls 4 x 55 meter shuttle hurdle team of Sherry Tirgrath, Janice Echevarria, Melissa Perez and Caitlyn Vreeland (43.06); the boys 4 x 200 team of Cabrita, Sanabria, Khan and David Barber (1:42.75); the girls 4 x 800 of Tirgrath, Christina Colon, Yanil Delgado and Stephanie Carasquillo (12:15.89); the boys 4 x 800 of Luis Fuentes, Bryon Cure, Jared Clark and Jeffrey Chacon (9:22.34); the girls sprint medley of Vincenza Cordasco, Tandazo, Eboney Shabazz and Jenny Guzman (5:18.72), the boys sprint medley of Boyce, Barber, Cabrita and Khan (4:03.6) and the boys shot put team of Nemit Desai and Brian Antonio, who combined to throw 74'1".

At the Zaccone meet, medals were won in the 55 meters by Sherece Shabazz in the girls varsity race (third at 7.3), Edward Feliciano in the boys varsity 55 (third

at 6.7) and Marshall in the freshman girls 55 meters (sixth at 8.1).

Other Belleville runners who raced in the 55 were Matt Lisojo (6.8), Barber (6.9), Cordasco (8.3), Audrey Abreu and Shayne Lozada (8.6) and Stephanellie Saavedra (9.0). In the freshman 55 meter hurdles, Echevarria won a sixth place medal with a time of 12.5. Tirgrath (11.4), Perez (12.2) and Vreeland (12.6) did well in the varsity 55 meter hurdles.

Sherece Shabazz won the girls 200 meter varsity race in 27.1, breaking her own school record of 27.2 in the process. Cabrita captured a medal in the varsity 200 meters with a time of 24.3, good for fifth place overall.

Barber (25.0), Lisojo (27.1) and Vasquez (27.4) excelled for the boys in the 200 while Victorio (30.1), Marshall (31.3) and Cordasco (31.8) paced a strong girls contingent in the event.

The team of Daneyah Nixon, Marshall, Cordasco and Lozada took a fourth place medal in the freshman sprint relay with a time of 2:05 while the team of Mary Diaz, Jamie Bono, Kristy Bono and Carasquillo took sixth in 2:10.

The boys 4 x 800 relay team of Boyce, Clark, Cure and Chacon took second in a time of 9:30. The girls 4 x 800 team of Colon, Nigli, Victorio and Guzman took a fifth place medal in a time of 12:06.

Tirgrath (3:05), Yanil Delgado (3:10), Mona Elmiligi (3:12) and Tamara Atuncar (3:20) ran well in the 800 meters while Feliciano (1:34), Barrett (1:53), Matt Liloia and Ackon (1:54) each competed in the 600 meters.

Steve Sanabria captured gold in the freshman boys 1000 meter run with a time of 3:05. Luis Fuentes took a fourth place medal in the novice 1000 meter race, also running 3:05.

## BHS WRESTLING

## Wrestlers rounding into shape

BY MIKE LAMBERTI  
for Belleville Times

After a slow start, the Belleville wrestling team is beginning to hit its stride.

Joe Nisivoccia's team was 2-1 last week and took a 4-4 mark into a match with North Plainfield earlier this week. Tomorrow afternoon, the Bucs will visit Kearny in a 5 p.m. start. On Saturday, it's off to South River for a 3 p.m. match and next Monday, Belleville visits Columbia of Maplewood in a make up match at 5 p.m. Next Wednesday, a busy slate continues when Nutley comes to town for a 5 p.m. match.

Nisivoccia has made some adjustments in the lineup over the past few weeks and some younger wrestlers are starting to make an impact.

Last week, Belleville had a good win over Ridgewood, 39-35 and followed that with a 51-27 win over Bayonne. The Bucs lost to undefeated Bloomfield, 54-24, last Friday night at home.

"I like what I've seen from the kids," Nisivoccia said. "Ridgewood was a good test for us and we came away with a nice win. We got seven pins in that match while Ridgewood got six and that was pretty much the difference. With this sport, the objective is to pin your opponent. It gets your team the maximum amount of points and can decide a close match."

Freshman Anthony Avino, who did very well on the J.V. level, came up with an impressive fall in the

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varsity match against Ridgewood at 119 pounds. Also gaining big pins in the victory were Nick Cuevas, who bumped up to 135 pounds from his usual 130 slot and Marc Corino, who moved up to 140 from his customary 135 pound assignment.

"Those kids did a very good job," Nisivoccia said. "I liked what I had seen from Avino in the Minuteman J.V. tournament and thought he'd be able to compete on the varsity and he came through with a nice effort. Cuevas and Corino have shown steady improvement in their matches and they helped us get a big team victory."

Freshman Justin Colon continued his solid season at 103 pounds with a win against Ridgewood. The Bucs also got good efforts from Zach Zitani at 130 pounds and Frank Perez, who has been consistently good at 160.

Versus Bayonne, Belleville got eight pins and won the match going away. Colon (103), James Murgueytio (112), Avino (119), Cuevas (130), Louis Olivera (135), Corino (140), Joe Anello (145) and

Chase Hamilton (215) all recorded falls for Belleville.

Belleville worked hard in its match with Bloomfield, but were defeated by a very good team.

"Bloomfield is solid," Nisivoccia said. "It's a typical Bloomfield team, well coached with tough kids and good balance throughout their lineup."

Colon (103), Avino (119), Olivera (135) and Hamilton (215) gained pins to account for Belleville's 24 team points.

"I thought Hamilton did a very good job at 215 in pinning a good wrestler," Nisivoccia said. "Our kids battled in this match. We're making steady improvement, but we're not at Bloomfield's overall team level yet."

NOTES: The Bucs were scheduled to host Columbia last Saturday, but the match was postponed to a road match this coming Monday.

The Essex County Tournament will be contested on Jan. 30 and 31, with seedings for the tourney scheduled to be announced late next week.

## BHS GIRLS BASKETBALL

## Girls show good defense in recent outings

BY MIKE LAMBERTI  
for Belleville Times

The Belleville girls' basketball team dropped games to Montclair, 52-13 and Holy Angels of Demarest, 51-16, last week and took a 1-7 mark into a game with Immaculate Heart Academy of Westwood last Tuesday.

This evening, the team hosts Paterson Eastside at 5:30 p.m. and tomorrow night, Ridgewood comes to town, also at 5:30. Next Tuesday, the team is at Paterson Kennedy in a 7 p.m. tip off.

Belleville coach Jill Fischman saw her team play two talented squads and while the scores reflected one-sided games, the coach sees reason for optimism.

"I thought we played pretty good defense in both games," Fischman said. "We're struggling to get our offense in gear, but there were some good things out there from our kids. I was very impressed with Montclair's team. They have tremendous size and it was tough to match up with them."

They rebound well and they run the floor very well. They've got kids on their bench who could start for a lot of teams. Their coach is a class guy and he's got a tremendous team."

Nicole Velardi led Belleville with five points.

Versus Holy Angels Fischman liked what she saw from her team.

"I thought we did a good job, especially in the second and third quarters," Fischman said. "Leah Benacquista did a very good job in blocking shots and I thought Nicole Velardi played good defense as well."

Belleville fell behind 20-2 after the first quarter, but the Bucs settled in and played two good quarters of defense, holding Holy Angels to 19 combined points.

Leah Benacquista and Jessica Benacquista had four points each, with Leah also blocking four shots.

Velardi and Alexa Veniero scored three a piece and Naomi Perez closed out Belleville's scoring with two points.



# Indoor track program has history of record-breaking performances

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**BUC SHOTS**  
MIKE LAMBERTI

In case you haven't read this week's story on Belleville High's indoor track team, you should know that the team had a big week at the NJSIAA Group 3 relay championships last Sunday in Toms River.

For the first time in the 28-year history of the Belleville indoor program, a team earned a medal at the state relays when Sherece Shabazz, Vanessa Ackon, Victoria Barrett and Makeda Marshall ran a school record 1:50.96 in the 4 x 200 relay, good for sixth place and eclipsing the old record by nearly three seconds.

Unlike the outdoor track season, when schools compete against other schools in a series of events, a typical indoor track schedule consists of invitational meets, both for relays and individual events.

Success is usually based more on individual and relay results, as opposed to a team won-loss record.

Last Sunday's performance was certainly a high water mark in the history of the program, which has produced some very talented athletes. Many of the indoor track performers will participate on Belleville's outdoor team in the spring and a number also run cross country in the fall.

A lot of athletes use the indoor track season to hone their skills in other sports. It's not unusual to see football, soccer, softball and baseball players on the indoor team as they look to increase speed and endurance.

With the first state medal in the relays now secured, it seemed like a good time to look back at another high water mark in the program's history, which occurred 10 years ago.

In 1999, Ariel Peldunas and Armon Sample made history for the Belleville indoor track team when they qualified for the sport's pinnacle event, the NJSIAA (individual) Meet of Champions at Jadwin Gym in Princeton.

Peldunas had qualified for the high jump after setting a school record of 5'2" and finishing third in the Group 3 finals that year. While she did not garner a medal at the Meet of Champions, just advancing there was newsworthy. It should also be noted that Peldunas, who today is a proud member of the United States Marines, also holds the school outdoor high jump mark as well.

Sample was an explosive sprinter who won the Group 3 championship in the 55 meters in a school record 6.70 seconds and would later earn a medal at the Meet of Champions by taking fourth in 6.71.

A week after the Meet of Cham-

pions, Sample would better his school record at the Eastern Championships when he ran 6.65. Former Belleville indoor track coach John Tosato, who coached the program from its infancy in 1981 through 2003, also recalled the outstanding performances of Peldunas and Elisa Linfante at the state relays in the high jump when the two combined for a leap of over 9 feet.

In 1998, Melissa Cifelli set indoor records in the 1600 meters (5:38.6), 3000 meters (11:18.03) and 3200 meters (11:43.19). During that same era, Jessie Santiago established a school record for the 55 meter hurdles when she ran 8.80.

Congratulations to the latest record holders and new state relay medal winners Sherece Shabazz,

Vanessa Ackon, Victoria Barrett and Makeda Marshall on adding their names to a program which has established a rich tradition of success.

So here we are, in the third week of January, and it's that time of year when I recall the passing of my uncle, Arthur J. Abramoff, who died in Vietnam while serving our country as a pilot in the United States Air Force on Jan. 20, 1967 and my father, Elias Lamberti, who passed away on Jan. 22, 2004 after a long illness. They were two men who had a huge influence in my life, and continue to hold that distinction today.

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# Unico delivers baskets of food to help needy

The Belleville Chapter of Unico National recently collected enough food items to fill ten baskets in time to deliver them to needy families in town.

The chapter, a service organization, delivered the food baskets to Principal Marilyn Hawthorne of School No. 7 and St. Peter's Pantry.

Chapter President Dr. Manny Alfano expressed thanks to everyone that supported last fall's

Thanksgiving basket project, especially the Nutley Park Shop Rite and Brookdale Shop Rite.

Alfano said of the local chapter, "as our membership continues to grow, the chapter will be able donate more."

The organization also collected food for needy Belleville families in Christmas baskets.

For more information, about Belleville Unico projects, call Alfano at 973-429-2818.



From left, Belleville Unico President Dr. Manny Alfano, St. Peter's Secretary Peg Chrobocinski and Chapter Treasurer Gene Antonio following recent food basket deliveries for needy families in the town.

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## Take Your Health to Heart

February is National Heart Month and the perfect time to start living a heart-healthy lifestyle. The American Heart Association recommends avoiding tobacco and excessive alcohol, being physically active, eating healthy foods and watching your weight.



### Go Red for Women: The Facts about Heart Disease and Stroke

Join us on February 6th for National Wear Red Day. Mountainside Hospital will join thousands of women, companies and cities across America who will come together for special education programs focused on heart health. Women will learn the risk factors, raise awareness of heart disease & stroke and learn about lifestyle changes that can help prevent heart problems. Wear your favorite red clothes or accessories. Presented by Dr. Judy Washington, Mountainside Hospital Family Practice Associates. The American Heart Association and Mountainside Hospital staff will be available from 11:30am to 1:30pm to provide health risk assessments tools and blood pressure screenings.

**Date: February 6** Time: 2pm to 3pm  
Location: Mountainside Hospital  
To register, please call 1-888-973-4MSH.

### Weight Loss Surgery

The Center for Advanced Bariatric Surgery at Mountainside Hospital invites you to learn more about the benefits of weight loss surgery. These seminars are designed to provide information to help you explore your weight loss options. Find out how this proven procedure can improve your health and quality of life.

**Date: February 11** Time: 6:30pm to 7:30pm  
**Date: February 18** Time: 7pm to 9pm  
Location: Mountainside Hospital  
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### Screenings

#### Cholesterol Screenings

Learn your total cholesterol, HDL and ratio with a simple, non-fasting finger stick test. Registration is required.

**Date: February 6** Time: 9:30am to Noon  
Fee: \$12.00/person, \$8.00 for those 55 and older  
Location: Montclair YMCA, 1 Park Street, Montclair, NJ  
To register, please call 1-888-973-4MSH.

#### Stroke Screenings

Evaluate your risk for stroke through cholesterol testing, blood pressure, pulse check, carotid artery assessment and stroke-related counseling from staff physicians. Registration is required. Refer to locations for registration and more information.

**Date: February 12** Time: 10am to Noon  
Fee: \$30.00/person, \$20.00 for those 55 and older  
Location: Bloomfield Health Department  
1 Municipal Plaza, Bloomfield, NJ  
To register, please call 973-680-4058.

### Cardiac Assessments

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**Date: February 13** Time: 9am to Noon  
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# Tax hike expected; grant to help local park

BY TANYA DROBNES  
AND TERENCE T. McDONALD  
For Nutley Sun

Essex County Executive Joseph DiVincenzo Jr. last Thursday introduced a \$675 million budget that will include the elimination of 219 county government positions, including 68 layoffs and a cut of 75 part-time employees.

A 4 percent increase, or \$14 million, in county taxes will cost the average Essex County resident about \$90 more per year, which comes out to slightly less than \$8 per month, DiVincenzo said.

The elimination of existing positions, or those that will not be filled, will save \$9.2 million, DiVincenzo said.

"You never want to lay off people. You never want to raise taxes. But guess what? I have no other choice," DiVincenzo said during a meeting in the Hall of Records in

Newark. The layoffs will also cut positions out of the Essex County Prosecutor's Office and the Essex County Sheriff's Department.

To his knowledge, the 3.28 percent tax hike is the third lowest of the state's 21 counties, DiVincenzo said.

"We are going to go through some tough times, but we are very prepared for the future," DiVincenzo said. "We are very proud of what we're doing as far as keeping the taxes down."

This year's budget shortfall will be helped by tapping into \$18.5 million of the county's \$27.5 million surplus, DiVincenzo said. The surplus, which stood at \$54 million at the end of 2007, was stripped of \$36 million last year to plug a budget gap, leaving the county with a \$9.2 million surplus for 2010.

Although jobs will be slashed, DiVincenzo said the county would continue to maintain parks, roads,

and recreation areas. One of Montclair's 11 county roadways, Grove Street, will undergo renovation this year, but funding for the improvements will stem from the New Jersey Green Acres local assistance program, not the county budget, DiVincenzo said.

Green Acres funding should continue to be available, along with Open Space Local Aid Program dollars to maintain the county's parks, including Brookdale and Anderson parks in Montclair.

Watsessing Park in Bloomfield will get a new football and soccer field, DiVincenzo said, and the baseball and softball fields in Yantaw Park in Nutley will be renovated, along with the Senior Citizen and Recreation Center. Grant dollars will also go toward general maintenance in county parks, including Belleville Park and Verona Park, DiVincenzo said.

Renovations to Glenfield Park in Montclair are slated to begin in June, DiVincenzo said. Green Acres will shore up the project with an \$800,000 grant, the county executive said last October.

The existing softball field at Glenfield will be sodded and irrigated, and the park's baseball field will be upgraded with a synthetic surface for Little League and softball, DiVincenzo said. Amenities will be added, including supplementary bleachers, an upgraded backstop and playing mound, a larger dugout, and new landscaping.

Though the county's spending on parks and recreation is a source of pride for DiVincenzo, it's a sore point with CWA Local 1081, which represents the county's welfare workers, according to CWA Local 1081 President David Weiner.

While acknowledging that the county parks were in disarray years ago and have improved in DiVincenzo's administration, Weiner

told The Times that parks and recreation improvements should not come at the expense of jobs. The budget is "a matter of proportionality," Weiner said.

"Hundreds of dollars have been spent on leash-free dog parks, but those are not critical needs," he said.

Weiner added, however, that DiVincenzo has done an "amazing job" with restoring the parks to their natural and recreational grandeur.

According to Weiner, the county had agreed in November to a 9.5 percent wage increase over three years, but it was yanked because of financial trepidation. If the county knew at the time that the economic downturn would necessitate drastic cuts in labor, it shouldn't have agreed to the increase, Weiner added.

The local has filed an unfair labor practices complaint with

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## BUDGET

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PERC, the state Public Employment Relations Commission, and has authorized its leadership to call a strike, Weiner said.

According to DiVincenzo, it was clear when the budget process began last September that the

county would be strapped in 2009, teetering on the affects of the economic downturn. The county projected a \$104 million gap, which included about \$72 million in salary increases and operating costs and about \$32 million in revenue shortfalls.

The county took a financial lashing of \$2.5 million losses in interest on investments, he said.

To bridge the gap, the adminis-

tration first requested all divisions, constitutional offices and county agencies to scale back their funding requests and look to new sources of generating revenue. The gap was subsequently reduced by \$27.4 to \$76.2 million, DiVincenzo said.

Several recommendations are being unrolled to close the remaining shortfall, including a salary freeze in 2009, which would save about \$7.5 million. DiVincenzo also is proposing that the 3,500 employees represented by unions pay a portion of their medical benefits and prescription drug costs.

"We are trying to lead by example ... I'm hoping that the unions that are negotiations will step up to the plate," he said.

The county is not planning to defer pension payments in 2009, a proposal floated by Gov. Jon Corzine to give municipalities budgetary breathing room this year.

DiVincenzo told The Times that it would not be appropriate to defer the payments this year, though he said he may approve of such a plan in 2010.

The budget proposal has been sent to the Essex County Board of Chosen Freeholders for their review.

"This county is run like a business, and it's going to continue to be run like a business," DiVincenzo said.

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■ A resolution was passed providing for permit procedures, requirements and designation of the Construction Code Department as permit/enforcement agency in connection with clothing bin solicitations. The resolution states that a state statute was enacted governing the placement and use of clothing bins for solicitation purposes effective Jan. 1. To comply, the code enforcement office is designated as the agency to which application must be made in connection with the placement and use of clothing bins for solicitation purposes. Violations of this new statute may lead to the penalty of monies to be paid to the Chief Financial Officer of the township.

■ Oliver N. Allen, Sr. was appointed by resolution to be a constable for Belleville in a term to expire on Oct. 31.

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# OBITUARIES

## Robert Michael Laterza

A Mass was offered for Robert Michael Laterza, 90, of Belleville Jan. 16 at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, Roseland, after the funeral from the S.W. Brown & Son Funeral Home, Nutley.

Mr. Laterza passed away Jan. 12 at Valley Hospital, Ridgewood.

Born in Nutley in 1918, Mr. Laterza lived most of his life in Belleville. Mr. Laterza was a registered pharmacist and owned and operated Laterza's Pharmacy, Belleville, for over 40 years. He served his town as mayor and public safety director, and served his country as a first lieutenant during World War II. He was a graduate of Belleville High School and went on to graduate from Rutgers College of Pharmacy, where he was

president of his class for three years and captain of the basketball team. He was a former member and president of the Kiwanis Club and UNICO, both of Belleville.

He was predeceased by his wife Elizabeth "Babe" (DiGeronimo) Laterza, and is survived by his son, Robert M. Laterza Jr.; his daughter, Eugenie Portanova; his grandchildren, Robert M. Laterza III, Patrick Thomas Laterza, Christopher and Jeanna Portanova.

## Dorothy "Dottie" E. DiGangi

A Mass was offered for Dorothy "Dottie" E. DiGangi (Wright), 70, of Nutley Jan. 16 at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Lyndhurst, after the funeral from the S.W. Brown & Son Funeral Home,

Nutley.

Mrs. DiGangi passed away Jan. 13 at Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville.

Born in Pawtucket, RI, she lived in Belleville before moving to Nutley 10 years ago. She was a telecommunications operator at Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville for 40 years.

She was predeceased by her husband, Natale DiGangi; her sisters, Cheryl Hathaway and Gail Wright; her grandchildren, Joseph Gerbino, Dana Marie and Brianna Rose Livello, and her companion of 19 years, James Smillie.

## Lawrence Loncrini

A Mass was offered for Lawrence Loncrini, 75, of Belleville Jan. 15 at Church of St. Peter in Belleville, after the funeral

from the Megaro Memorial Home.

Mr. Loncrini passed away Jan. 11.

Born in Newark to the late Luigi and Marcella Loncrini, Mr. Loncrini has lived in Belleville for many years. He was a draftsman for Art Metal in Newark retiring in 1985. He served in the United States Army as a corporal in the Korean War. He was a member of VFW Post No. 493 of Nutley, Rochelle Park American Legion Post No. 170, 8th Ward Non Partisan Club of Newark, and he was an usher and member of the Guard of Honor at the Church of St. Peter in Belleville.

He is survived by his cousins, Theresa Latina, Palma Paraboschi, and many other relatives and friends. He was predeceased by his brother, Aldo and his wife, Lucy, and his sister, Eleanor.



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Pastor Nancy S. Moore and the members of Bethany Lutheran Church are sponsoring a weekly 'Kids' Fun Night' on Wednesdays, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 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.

### 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.

### Sunday Afternoons with Iglesia Luterana

The Lutheran Latino service, Iglesia Luterana, is held every Sunday at 1 p.m. in the sanctuary of Bethany Lutheran Church. 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 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 Friday.

*Bethany Lutheran Church is a "Reconciling in Christ" parish. 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. Call 973-759-1555.*

## Christ Episcopal Church

### Meeting of the Parish

Christ Episcopal Church has announced that the annual meeting of the parish will be held on Sunday, Jan. 25. The polls will be opened for voting at 10 a.m. The business meeting will be held at 12 noon, following the regular 10 a.m. Mass. All parishioners in good standing - those who are regular in attendance and who are contributors of record for the previous year - may vote.

### Care Closet

The Care Closet, an outreach program of Christ Episcopal Church, has announced its January distribution day for Monday, Jan.

26, beginning at 3 p.m. until all of the supplies are exhausted.

The Care Closet distributes packages of paper products, cleaning products and personal hygiene items to persons with Families First cards. The parish is always receiving gifts of individually wrapper paper towels, facial tissue and toilet tissue; the program also is in need of brown grocery bagging for packing the supplies each month. Additionally volunteers are always welcome both for the preparation of the bags and on distribution day.

### The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple

Christ Church has announced its annual observance of The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple with a Solemn Procession and Festival Mass on Sunday, Feb. 1 at its regular 10 a.m. Mass. The Rev. Paul Walker, Vicar of Christ Church, will officiate; The Rev. Randy Webster, Curate at Christ Church, will preach.

The Feast of the Presentation of Jesus is one of the Holy Days of the church's calendar, falling on Feb. 2. The feast day commemorates the final requirement of Jewish law, recorded in Exodus 13, following the birth of every firstborn son who had to be dedicated to God in memory of the Israelites' deliverance from Egypt, when the firstborn sons of the Egyptians died and those of Israel were spared. The day is sometimes referred to as 'Candlemas' because all of the candles for the coming year are dedi-

cated on this day, recalling that Jesus is the light of the world. The annual Blessing of Throats, recalling the commemoration of St. Blasé, will also be offered.

### New York Opera Forum

The New York Opera Forum, under the direction of their Music Director, Richard Nechamkin, will return for a concert performance of 'Faust' by Charles Gounod on Saturday, Feb. 7 beginning at 2 p.m. The concert performance will be given at Christ Episcopal Church in Belleville. The suggested donation is \$10.

### Public Service of Healing

Christ Church has announced its quarterly Public Service of Healing with anointing and the Laying-On-Of-Hands on Sunday, Feb. 8 at its regular 10 a.m. Mass. The Rev. Paul Walker, Vicar of Christ Church, will officiate and preach at the service. The Public Service of Healing is open to the public.

### 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, Feb. 15. 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.

### The 263rd birthday of Christ Church

Christ Church has announced its annual observance its 263rd

birthday on Sunday, Feb. 15 at its regular 10 a.m. Mass. Christ Church was established by the giving of the direct royal charter from King George II on Feb. 10, 1746, which founded the parish of Christ Church in Belleville, and called it to serve all Christians in northern New Jersey from Newark northward. The Rev. Paul Walker, Vicar of Christ Church, will officiate and preach. Christ Church is one of the oldest communities of faith in northern New Jersey, and the 'Mother Church' for many of the Episcopal parishes north of Newark.

An all-parish luncheon will follow the festival 10 a.m. Mass.

### Anniversary of Rev. Paul Walker

Christ Church is planning to observe the ten years of ministry at Christ Church and to the people of the Township of Belleville of their Vicar, The Rev. Paul Walker, during the coming weeks. Father Walker began his ministry at Christ Church on Feb. 17, 1999. The parish plans to honor him at their regular Sunday morning service on Sunday, Feb. 15 at 10 a.m. and at a special reception that afternoon at the church at 3 p.m.

### Food Drive

Christ Church has announced a food drive to replenish and restock the pantry of The Mary and Martha Soup Kitchen. Gifts of non-perishable items are needed to keep up with the demands of the soup kitchen, which now serves meals

each Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 12 noon to 1 p.m. Individuals and organizations wishing to make contributions of canned goods or financial gifts are asked to contact the parish. Volunteers are also always needed to maintain the soup kitchen's ongoing operations. Persons wishing to volunteer are asked to phone the parish.

*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 Bingo Night

The St. Mary's Religious Education Program will once again hold our Family Bingo Night on Saturday, Jan. 31 at 7 p.m., in Msgr. Walsh Hall. The admission is free and there will be a cash ice cream bar.

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

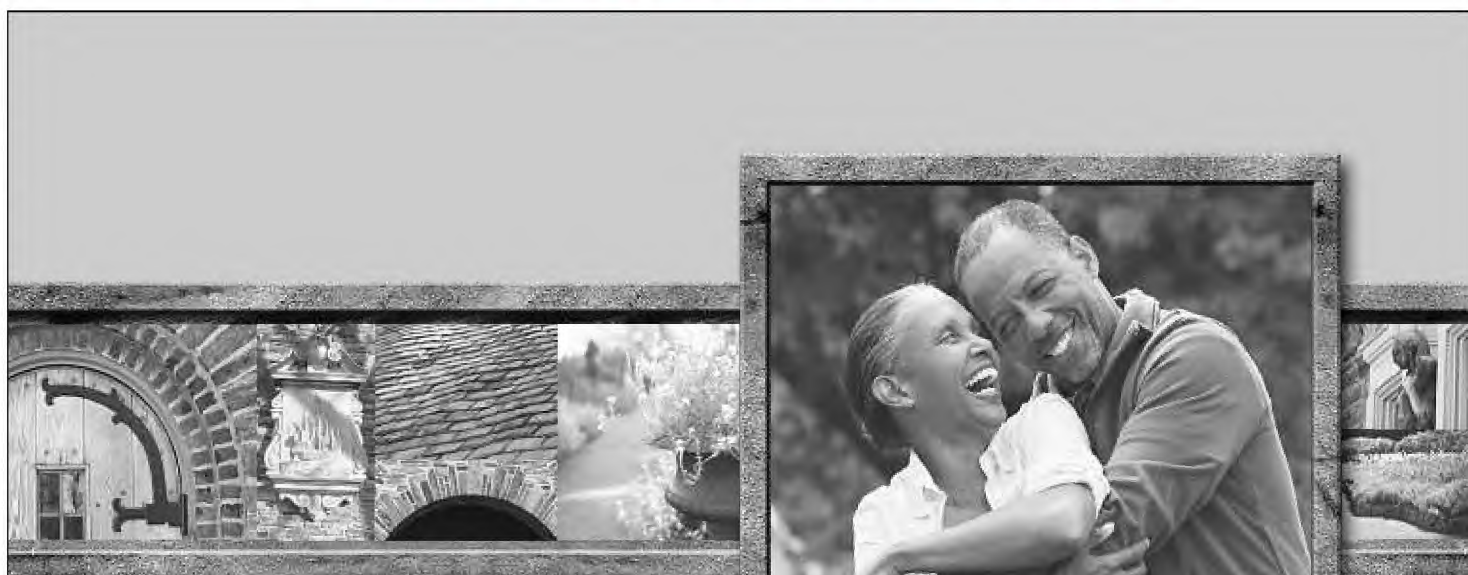
## Holy Family Church

### 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.

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# Come to the Lord – just as you are

One of the best-known Christian evangelists of the 20th century, Billy Graham, gained world attention in 1949 with a tent revival in downtown Los Angeles that was scheduled for three weeks and lasted six. In the ensuing decades, 'Billy Graham Crusades' consistently drew audiences of thousands to arenas and stadiums throughout the world. Graham made his 'commitment to Christ' at age 16 through the ministry of a traveling evangelist, Mordecai Ham. He was ordained as a Southern Baptist and was pastor of only one congregation, but the rest of his ministry was deliberately non-denominational. Many years ago our choir had

the privilege of singing at the Crusade held in the Meadowlands. It was a great experience. As you know at the end of every service Billy Graham has the choir sing "Just As I Am." This hymn is sung to invite people to trust Christ as Savior and also to encourage Christians to bring their problems to their Savior. Did you know that this hymn was written by a bed-ridden invalid, who felt useless to do anything except express her feelings of devotion to God? As a young person, Charlotte Elliott lived a care-free life in England. She gained popularity as a portrait artist and a writer of humorous verse. However, at age 30 a serious ailment made her an invalid for life. She

was extremely depressed until a well-known Swiss evangelist visited her. Sensing her spiritual distress, he told her, "Charlotte, you must come just as you are – a sinner – to the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" Immediately placing her complete trust in Christ's redemptive sacrifice for her, Charlotte experienced inner peace and joy in spite of her physical affliction, which lasted until her death at age 82. She wrote 150 hymns throughout her lifetime. She is quoted as saying, "God sees, God guards, God guides me, His grace surrounds me and His voice continually bids me to be happy and holy in his service - just where I am!" Often we feel that if only we

were in different circumstances or had some special talent we could be a better witness for God and serve him more effectively. After Charlotte's death in 1871, there were found among her papers more than 1,000 letters from individuals around the world expressing gratitude for the spiritual influence of this hymn in their lives. Her brother who was a minister told her that he believed that more hearts have been touched and more people influenced for Christ by her one hymn than from his lifetime of preaching. Only eternity will reveal the total number of those lives, which have been dramatically changed through the influence of this hymn from the pen of an invalid woman. The message of this song is not only for non-believers, it is also a reminder to Christians that our eternal standing with God is based solely on Christ's merits and not on our own. An anonymous author wrote: "Indulgence says, 'Drink your way out.' Philosophy says, 'Think your way out.' Science says, 'Invent your way out.' Industry says, 'Work your way out.' Militarism says, 'Fight your way out.' Christ says, 'I AM THE WAY OUT'."

Rev. Grace Alfieri  
Christian Apostolic Church

## RELIGION

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The Rosary Society will hold its next meeting on Monday, Jan. 26 at 7:45 p.m., in the St. Joseph's Center. Our members are asked to pray the Rosary for all our Veterans now serving in the military.

### World Marriage Day

On Feb. 7 and Feb. 8, Holy Family Church will celebrate World Marriage Day as part of its Centennial celebration. All couples who were married at Holy Family (at any one of the three churches – Harrison St., Brookline Ave. or the present church) are invited to attend Mass and a reception in their honor after the Mass. The reception will be held in the St. Joseph Center. The Mass schedule is as follows: Saturday, Feb. 7 at 5:30 p.m. in English and at 7 p.m. in Italian; and on Sunday, Feb. 8 at 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and 12 noon. Call Pat Attanasio at 973-667-2991 if you would like to attend.

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

### Temple Ner Tamid

#### January Havdalah cafe

Comedy Legend and Emmy Award Winner Alan Zweibel will star in his one man show, 'An Evening With Me,' on Jan. 24 at 7:30 p.m. Alan is an original

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Saturday Night Live writer and has worked on 'It's Garry Shandling's Show,' 'Monk' and 'Curb Your Enthusiasm.' He collaborated with Billy Crystal on '700 Sundays.' Tickets are \$30 in advance and \$35 at the door. Sponsor's dinner at 5:45 with Alan is \$125, including admission to show. Call

the temple office for ticket information or visit the Web site.

## Demystifying the sanctuary

Ner Tamid has started an Interfaith Support Group in an attempt to reach out to members of the community who are of different faiths. There are many questions non-Jews have about the service, sanctuary and clergy. The goal of this one hour session is to help demystify the prayers and service

that goes in the sanctuary and help everyone feel more at home during the service. Join Cantor Greenberg on Sunday, Jan. 25 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

## For moms & babies

Mom & Baby Yoga - For moms and their babies 0 - 8 months. A six week session beginning Feb. 12 on Thursday mornings at 9:15 a.m. Tuition is \$70. Call today for a free sample class. The class will be

taught by a certified baby yoga instructor.

Baby Talk - For moms and their babies 0 - 11 months. Meet other mommies and special guest speakers to discuss the daily ups and downs of bringing home baby. Tuesday morning 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., beginning Jan. 13. Fee: \$36 Beth Berns, TNT Social Worker will facilitate this class.

Mommy & Me - A gentle introduction for preschool children

between the ages of 15 and 24 months and their caregivers. Taught by Shores Director, Arlene Sherman, this class meets Wednesday mornings starting Jan. 14 through March 4 from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Tuition is \$150.

Temple Ner Tamid is located at 936 Broad St., Bloomfield. For more information, call 973-338-1500 or visit the Web site at [www.nertamid.org](http://www.nertamid.org).

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

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# BOOKMARKS

## Career counseling & resume writing

The Belleville Public Library is offering one-on-one classes for career counseling and resume writing on Saturday mornings up until March 28, and on Tuesday evenings up until March 31. Call the library to register. Each class will be scheduled for approximately half an hour.

## Internet classes

The Belleville Public Library and Information Center invites you to learn about navigating the Internet with Head of Reference Cindy

LaRue. An in-depth Internet class consisting of three one-hour sessions covering the basics will be held from Feb. 2 through Feb. 4.

Call the library to register and find out about other upcoming Internet sessions. All classes start promptly at 10 a.m. in the teen center.

## Book Discussion classes

Join the Belleville Public Library Book Discussion classes as they resume on February 25, with "The Perfect Summer: England 1911, Just Before the Storm" by Juliet Nicolson. Topping the bestseller

charts in Britain and published to much acclaim in the United States, "The Perfect Summer" chronicles a glorious English summer a century ago when the world was on the cusp of irrevocable change. To register, call the library.

## Join Friends of the Library

Take advantage of the biggest bargain in town and join the Friends of the Belleville Public Library and Information Center. Individual membership is \$5, family membership is \$7, student membership is \$1, business is \$25, organization is \$25, and for \$50 you

could be a member for life. All proceeds from Friends programs benefit the library.

## Visit NYC museums for free

Free passes are available at the Belleville Public Library for the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the American Museum of Natural History. Call the circulation desk for more information or to reserve passes.

## Teen programs

The Belleville Public Library offers many fun and educational programs for teens. Students in

grades 7-12 are invited. Come and check out the Teen Center located on the first floor of the library.

Games: Every Tuesday and Thursday from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Come and relieve some stress with Wii, Guitar hero, DDR and board games.

## Autism collection & resources

The Belleville Public Library has increased its collection of books on autism. A resource list is available, which lists all the latest books and also provides addresses for Web sites of interest. See a librarian for more information.

## Belleville Library blog

Keep abreast of library events, news and happenings from the comfort of your home computer by visiting 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 e-mail, [reference@bellepl.org](mailto:reference@bellepl.org) for all other inquiries. All these services are offered free of charge to Belleville Library cardholders, and can be accessed from our Web site at <http://www.bellepl.org>.

## Vault Online Career Library

The Belleville Public Library has acquired the Vault Online Career Library, the leading source of career information on the Web. It makes researching employers, industries and career subjects much easier and more efficient. This new online resource contains downloadable guides on careers, employers and career topics. There are over 3,500 company profiles, over 1,100 career advice articles, and industry and occupational profiles.

This database is available on the library's homepage. Go to [www.bellepl.org](http://www.bellepl.org) and click on the Vault logo.

*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 further information call 973-450-3434.*

## Belleville Times

### deadline

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, e-mail copy to [bellevilletimes@northjersey.com](mailto:bellevilletimes@northjersey.com). Copy can be mailed or delivered in advance to 90 Centre St., Nutley, New Jersey 07110, or faxed to the Editor at 973-667-3904.

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## HAPPENING THIS WEEK...

**District 4 blood bank**, hosted by Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 493, Thursday, Jan. 22 from 3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at VFW Post 493, 271 Washington Ave., Nutley. All blood types are needed. Call 235-9661 for directions.

**Girl scout cookies**, now being sold in the area until the end of January. Priced at \$3.50 a box, the 2009 product line features traditional favorites: Thin Mints, Trefoils and Tagalongs, along with five other offerings. Following the conclusion of order taking, troops will be out in the community staging booth sales, beginning in late February and lasting until the end of March.

## EVENTS AND FUNDRAISERS...

**Michael Amante concert**, Friday, Feb. 13, with bus departing from Nutley at 6 p.m. for an 8 p.m. show. Orchestra seats and bus transportation, \$79 per person. Call Marie at 256-0499.

**'Mary Poppins' on Broadway**, Sunday, March 1. Orchestra seats. Bus leaves from Nutley at 6 p.m. for an 8 p.m. show. Call Marie at 256-0499.

**Workshops on 'The Alchemy of Love'**, hosted by Linda Zitelli, CPC, MBA and Siggie Bonnevie, CPC, certified professional life coaches. They will present custom workshops and a support group to facilitate the practice of the Alchemy of Love and help individuals to enrich their lives and relationships. Participants will experience life-coaching, transformational viewpoint shifts, heart-felt connection and ongoing support. Workshops offered individually or as a series; they include two personal coaching sessions. Workshop dates: March 15, April 19 and May 3 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call Being in Balance, Inc., 602 Franklin Ave., Nutley, at 235-1012 or visit BeingInBalanceInc.com.

**'South Pacific' on Broadway**, musical, comedy/drama. Thursday, March 19. Orchestra seats. \$145 per person. Bus leaves from Nutley at 6:15 p.m. Call Travel With Marie at 256-0499.

**Branson Show Extravaganza**, presented by the Nutley Park Side Association, to be held April 18 through April 26. \$765 per person, double occupancy, includes motorcoach transportation, eight nights lodging with four nights in Branson, eight breakfasts and six dinners and admission to seven Branson shows. For more information, contact Louise Iovino at 661-0096.

**Nutley UNICO 50th Anniversary Gala**, to be held Thursday, April 23 at 7 p.m. at Nanina's in the Park, Belleville. Save the date and join this festive commemoration of 50 years of service to the Nutley community. The planned festivities include great food, live entertainment, memorabilia and a series of special presentations. Net proceeds from the event to benefit local and national charities and the Nutley UNICO Scholarship Program.

**Essex County's Housing and Community Development Division**, is offering financial assistance to low and moderate income homeowners who need to make improvements to their one to three-family homes. The program is funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development through the Community Development Block Grant program. For more information or to obtain an application, contact the Essex County Home Improvement Program (HIP) at 655-0200.

**Nurse Family Partnership (NFP)**, a free, voluntary program, is available to women who are pregnant with their first child and live in Essex County. A nurse regularly visits the first time mother-to-be in the comforts of her home. Services continue until the baby's second birthday. This program is not associated with protective services, and all information is kept in confidence. For more information, call 482-2774, ext. 138 or e-mail or nfp@yccs.org.

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

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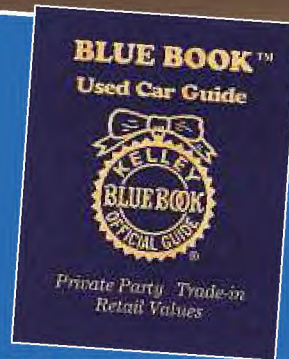
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**27**  
MPG  
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### REUNIONS...

**Bloomfield High School Class of 1969,** 40th reunion planned for Saturday, Oct. 10 at the Hilton in Woodbridge. Contact Jay Baumgardner at 809-6191 or jasbuddey@aol.com or mvargo@optonline.net.

### FAIRS, FLEA MARKETS, ETC...

**Nutley Museum,** open first and third Sundays from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Call 667-1528 or visit the Web site [www.nutleyhistorical.society.org](http://www.nutleyhistorical.society.org) for more information.

**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 for more information.

**Nutley Family Service Bureau thrift shop,** 172 Chestnut St., 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.

### HEALTH & FITNESS...

**Nutley Singles 3-mile Walk,** for ages 40 to 55, hosted by the Nutley Singles Walking Group, 6 p.m. every Thursday at Yantacaw Park, Nutley, Centre Street and Park Drive. Use the Centre Street entrance. Bring money for optional dinner after walk. Call 667-0379.

**Essex Running Club (ERC),** now in its 26th year, welcomes runners of all levels of ability. The group hosts runs (Thursday evenings, June through August, and weekend mornings in the winter), participates in local races and shares experiences about running. Monthly meetings take place at Church Street Kitchen in Montclair. In addition to offering many running-related activities, the group also enjoys non-running activities such as bus trips, skiing and wine tasting parties. Visit [www.essexrunning.com](http://www.essexrunning.com) for more information.

**Heart2Heart Program,** designed for people with early stage congestive heart failure, to begin at the Senior Care and Activities Center, 110 Greenwood Ave., Montclair. This two-day-a-week program provides medical monitoring, meal planning with a nutritionist, exercise and activities. In addition, a family support group is in formation. For more information, call 783-5589, ext. 16 or visit [www.SeniorCareCenter.org](http://www.SeniorCareCenter.org).

**Stroller class,** meets Wednesdays at 10 a.m. Reclaim your body and shed post-baby pounds while exercising in the fresh air and bonding with other moms. Class designed to tone and strengthen. All equipment provided. Led by a personal trainer. E-mail: [happenise@aol.com](mailto:happenise@aol.com) or call 661-3283 for more information.

**Fitness class,** Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Nutley. \$10 per class or \$75 for eight classes. Cardio moves to music, floor exercises, calisthenics, Pilates-based moves and stretching. E-mail: [smdunnfit@optonline.net](mailto:smdunnfit@optonline.net) or call 201-294-5493 for more information.

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### MEETINGS...

**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.

**Catholic Daughters of the Americas,** Court Gratia #751 meet on the first and third Mondays at 7:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Parish Center, Nutley. For

more information, call 667-7851.

**Roche Retiree Club of Nutley,** meets every second Saturday of the month in the Building 77 Auditorium at 1 p.m. (parking next to the building).

**W&T Retirees Club,** meets the second Tuesday of each month at 1 p.m. at the Recreation Senior Building, in the park on Belleville Avenue. Looking for more retirees to join. For more info, call Ann at 777-4223.

**Belleville AARP #2051,** meetings held on the first Wednesday of the month at 1 p.m. at the Mill Street Senior Building, 25 Franklin Ave., Belleville. New members welcome. Call Ann at 777-4223 for more info.

**Nutley Old Guard,** meets Fridays at 9 a.m. at 44 Park Ave. Non-military social organization for retired and semi-retired men seeking new members from Nutley and vicinity. Refreshments, guest speakers, bowling, golf and bocci teams, bus trips, luncheons, newsletter.

**Belleville Optimist Club,** meets Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. at Branch Brook Manor, 13 Washington Ave., Belleville. Call Gabe Nazzola at 696-6562.

**Belleville Rotary Club,** invites guests to their weekly luncheon meetings, Wednesdays at 12:15 p.m. at Bella Casa Caterers, 2 Acme St., Belleville. Frank Cozzarelli, 751-4104.

**Nutley AARP #2052,** meetings held on the second Thursday of each month. New members welcome. Call Josephine

Brylinski at 667-2514 for more information.

**AARP baby boomer chapter,** for individuals 50+, Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m. at the Bloomfield Public Library, 90 Broad St.

**The Belleville Chapter of UNICO National,** the largest Italian American non-profit service organization in America is seeking members for its local chapter. UNICO strives to contribute to the well being of its local communities by making significant contributions to deserving local and national charities. Call Manny Alfano at 429-2818 or Gene Antonio at 759-9259 for more information.

**Belleville/Nutley Kiwanis Club,** meets on the first and third Thursdays of the month, 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., Antonio's Restaurant, 371 Franklin Ave., Belleville, 751-7001. Contact Mario Drozd at 751-2277 or Sue Kintscher at 661-2623.

**Bloomfield Kiwanis Club,** 7:30 p.m., fourth Thursdays, Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center, 240 Belleville Ave., Bloomfield. Claire Abel, 893-9141.

**Belleville Irish,** meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the K of C Hall, Bridge Street, Belleville. For more information, call Beverly at 759-1298.

**Nutley Irish,** meetings held on the third Thursday of the month at 8 p.m. at the VFW Hall, Washington Ave., Nutley. New members welcome. Refreshments will be served. Call Tom McEnery, president, at 493-0029.



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**TOWNSHIP OF BELLEVILLE  
TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE**

The foregoing Ordinance was introduced at a Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Belleville held on January 13, 2009 and was read for the first time. This ordinance will be further considered for final passage by the said Municipal Council in the Council Chambers, Town Hall, 152 Washington Avenue, Belleville, NJ on Tuesday, February 10, 2009 beginning at 7:00 p.m. or at any time and place to which such meeting may be adjourned. All persons interested will be given the opportunity to be heard concerning such ordinance.

**An Ordinance to amend the revised general ordinances of the Township of Belleville, Chapter 8-16, Handicapped Parking Spaces, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BELLEVILLE, NEW JERSEY:**

Section I: that section 8, schedule 16 of the entitled ordinance is hereby amended by **ADDING** the following locations to be designated as a restricted parking space for use by the person who has been issued an identification card, or special handicapped plates by the division of Motor Vehicles.

STREET	SIDE	LOCATION
252 N. Belmont Ave.	East	Beginning at a point 115' south from the S/E apex of Cross St. and Belmont Ave. and continuing to a point 17' south thereof;
68 Cleveland St. Apt. #1	North	Beginning at a point 159' east from the N/E apex of Dow St. and Cleveland St. and continuing to a point 22' south thereof;
35 Magnolia St.	East	Beginning at a point 492' north from the N/E apex of Franklin St. and Magnolia St. and continuing to a point 22' south thereof;
12 Parkside Dr. Apt. #2	East	Beginning at a point 122' east from the S/E apex of William St. and Parkside Dr. and continuing to a point 22' east thereof;
120 Rutgers St.	North	Beginning at a point 155' west from the N/W apex of Washington Ave. and Rutgers St. and continuing to a point 22' south there of;
172 Delavan Ave.	East	Beginning at a point 146' north from the N/E apex of Delavan Ave. and Jerome Ave. and continuing to a point 21' south thereof;
11 So. Wilber St.	East	Beginning at a point 148' north from the N/W apex of May St. and Wilber St. and continuing to a point 22' south thereof;
166 Tappan Ave.	North	Beginning at a point 217' west from the N/W apex of Tappan Ave. and Union Ave. and continuing to a point 22' east thereof;
181 Smallwood Ave.	South	Beginning at a point 218' west from the N/W apex of Stevens Rd. and Smallwood Ave. and continuing to a point 22' south thereof;
202 Joralemon St. (Oak St.)	East	Beginning at a point 84' north from the N/E apex of Joralemon St. and Oak St. and continuing to a point 22' south thereof;
36 Wilson Pl.	North	Beginning at a point 417' west from the N/W apex of Union Ave. and Wilson Pl. and continuing to a point 22' south thereof;
369 DeWitt Ave.	West	Beginning at a point 286' north from the N/W apex of Little St. and DeWitt Ave. and continuing to a point 22' east thereof;
17 Wilber St.	East	Beginning at a point 266' north from the N/W apex of Joralemon St. and Wilber St. and continuing to a point 22' south there of.
316 Franklin Ave.	East	Beginning at a point 155' north from the N/E apex of Arthur St. and Franklin Ave. and continuing to a point 22' south thereof;
42 Naples Ave.	East	Beginning at a point 514' south from the N/E apex of Newark Ave. and Naples Ave. and continuing to a point 22' south thereof
43 Salter Pl.	West	Beginning at a point 382' south from the S/W apex of Salter Pl. and Newark Ave. and continuing to a point 22' east thereof;
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**TOWNSHIP OF BELLEVILLE  
TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE**

The foregoing Ordinance was introduced at a Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Belleville held on January 13, 2009 and was read for the first time. This ordinance will be further considered for final passage by the said Municipal Council in the Council Chambers, Town Hall, 152 Washington Avenue, Belleville, NJ on Tuesday, February 10, 2009 beginning at 7:00 p.m. or at any time and place to which such meeting may be adjourned. All persons interested will be given the opportunity to be heard concerning such ordinance.

**An Ordinance to amend the revised general ordinances of the Township of Belleville, Chapter 8-4, One Way Streets, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BELLEVILLE, NEW JERSEY:**

Section I: that, Chapter 8-4, Schedule VI of the entitled ordinance is hereby amended by **ADDING** the following location:

Name of Street	Direction
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Essex County  
Docket No. F-47473-08

**NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS**  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:

**Maribel Rivera**  
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND RE-

QUIRED to serve upon Udrén Law Offices, P.C., plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is Woodcrest Corporate Center, 111 Woodcrest Road, Suite 200, Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08003, telephone number (856) 669-5400, an Answer to the Complaint filed in a civil action, in which Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for the registered holders of Structured Asset Securities Corporation Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-OSI is plaintiff, and Julio Gomez and Tabatha Gomez, et al are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, ESSEX County, and bearing Docket F-47473-08 within thirty-five days after **January 22, 2009**, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your Answer and proof of service with the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey, 25 W. Market Street, CN-971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the rules of civil practice and procedure.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of 1) foreclosing a Mortgage dated February 28, 2007 made by Julio Gomez and Tabatha Gomez as mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for BNC Mortgage Inc. recorded on March 29, 2007 in Book 12041 of Mortgages for ESSEX County, Page 6127; said mortgage was assigned to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for the registered holders of Structured Asset Securities Corporation Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-OSI; and 2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 21 Walter Street, Bloomfield, NJ 07003, Block 902; Lot No. 8.

If you are unable to obtain an attorney, you may contact the Lawyers Referral Service in the county of venue by calling (973) 533-6775. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the county of venue by calling (973) 622-0063.

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Theodore J. Fetter  
THEODORE J. FETTER, Acting Clerk  
Superior Court of New Jersey  
Belleville Times 2514103  
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**SHERIFF'S SALE**  
SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 2008 010545  
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY,  
CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY,  
DOCKET NO. @F1728904

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST  
COMPANY AS TRUSTEE  
Plaintiff

-vs-  
LLEWLYN PRICE, ET AL.  
Defendants  
Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises

By virtue of the above stated writ of Execution, to me directed, I shall expose for sale by Public Auction in SHERIFF'S OFFICE, Essex County Courts Building in Newark, on Tuesday, February 03, 2009, at one-thirty P.M. (Prevailing Time) Commonly known as: 541 BEACH ST ORANGE, NJ 07050 Lot: 23 Block: 193 Size: 102.50 X 25 feet Distance to nearest cross street: feet Nearest cross street name: LANGDON STREET

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.

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Newark, N.J. December 29, 2008  
ARMANDO B. FONTOURA, Sheriff  
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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY,  
CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY,  
DOCKET NO. F126608  
FREMONT INVESTMENT & LOAN  
Plaintiff

-vs-  
ERNESTO WAIGHT  
Defendants  
Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises

By virtue of the above stated writ of Execution, to me directed, I shall expose for sale by Public Auction in SHERIFF'S OFFICE, Essex County Courts Building in Newark, on Tuesday, February 03, 2009, at one-thirty P.M. (Prevailing Time) Commonly known as: 47 ASHLAND AVE EAST ORANGE, NJ 07017 Lot: 9 Block: 543 Size: 96 X 50 feet Distance to nearest cross street: feet Nearest cross street name: WILLIAM STREET

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.

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Newark, N.J. December 29, 2008  
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