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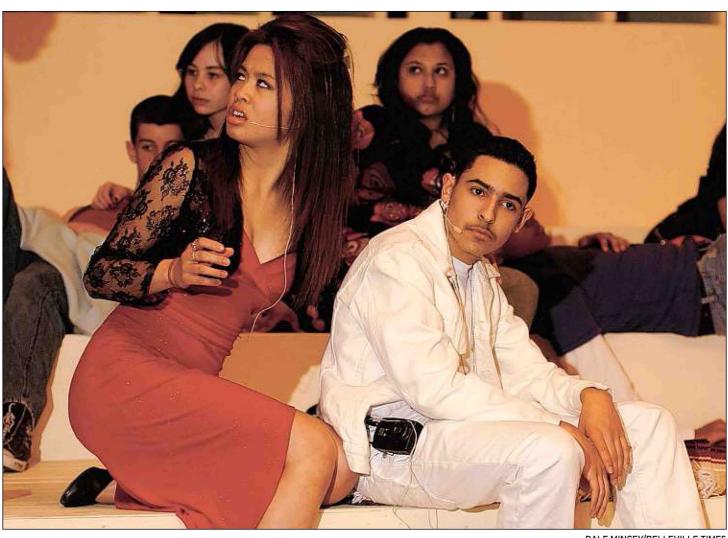


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### **REVIVING A 1970S MUSICAL**

Dorcas Cruz (Mary) and Henry Vega (Jesus) rehearse for Belleville High School's musical production of "Jesus Christ Superstar." See additional pictures on page 19.

# Raising funds, celebrating greatness Belleville Education Association plans to reach new heights

BY RICHARD DICKON of Belleville Times

Magnify the magnificent.

That's what a Belleville native fledgling Belleville Education Association, a group forming to raise money to fund school prowhile taking some of the burden off of taxpayers.

leading the education association, likes to say that, "People outside of in Belleville."

He points to the reaction of the Broadway play "Jersey Boys," Board of Education President which tells the tale of Belleville's Joseph Longo is not a member of alumni will "catch the virus" of the

own Tommy DeVito and the Rock 'The ultimate 'n' Roll Hall of Fame group the Four Seasons, as an example of commitment for me, Belleville's renown.

The education association is a and I hope many the Board of Education that will others, is that I'm says the ultimate message is of the non-profit group independent of host events that both raise funds putting the schools in for the schools and celebrate grams and help students and staff Belleville's greatness, Cervasio my will.' said. Belleville natives like DeVito, the legendary singer Connie Fran-Joseph Cervasio, a 1965 cis, successful doctor Edward BHS Class of 1965 Belleville High School graduate Aulesi and Major League Baseball Umpire Phil Cuzzi have been, or will be recognized as Wall of the association, but helped form Belleville sometimes have a better Recognition honorees at events the idea based on the success of first organizational meeting. opinion of Belleville than people that will double as fundraising the high school band parents

Joseph Cervasio

events for the educational associa- group that he helped lead before mission statement that the group's becoming a school board member. charge is to "enhance the quality

successful, vibrant student community if they become involved in the education association.

Deborah Perri, director of student services for the district and a BHS alumni and former cheerleader, said the education association is one of the best ideas and most positive endeavors to come along during all her years with Belleville.

Specifically, the group began with about five to seven people, including Cervasio, who said his reaction to the association's potential was "wow," after attending the

He quoted from the group's

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local loan decisions **FOR LOCAL BUSINESSES** 

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March 22

A burglary and theft was reported from a motor vehicle in Hithe 300 block of Belmont Avenue. The victim said they left a wallet under the seat and that the vehicle 딮 was burglarized and the wallet tak-

en. The victim said the wallet con-Stained \$2 in cash, a personal check Rfor \$260, a New Jersey Driver's & License and one credit card. Police have no suspects and an investigation is continuing.

March 19

Police arrested and charged ີ່ Vinicio Veintimillagui, 27, of Belleville with driving while intoxicated and motor vehicle violations at 3:17 a.m. The suspect's silver Dodge Stratus failed to stop at a stop sign, increased speed and drove in the wrong lane before a motor vehicle stop was conducted, police said. Police said they smelled alcohol on the suspect, who failed several field sobriety tests and was subsequently arrested. He was given motor vehicle summonses for reckless driving, failure to stop at a stop sign and failure to maintain a lane. He was released on his own recognizance.

■ A robbery was reported from Domestic Uniform, 265 Cortlandt nizance. St. at 6:33 a.m. The victim said that a small, freestanding safe was emptied. There were no signs of forced

ing. Police have no suspects and an attempting to leave the supermarinvestigation is continuing.

March 18

■ Police arrested and charged John Ruzzano, 64, of Belleville with shoplifting \$219 worth of merchandise, including personal hygiene items and energy drinks, from the CVS, 519 Washington Ave. Store security said the suspect was observed placing items in his pockets and then attempting to leave the store. He was released on his own recognizance.

March 17

- Police arrested and charged Rita Elston, 21, of Newton with possession of 12 small wax folds of heroin, possession of a hypodermic syringe and several motor vehicle violations at 9:02 p.m. The suspect's silver Pontiac was pulled over after police said she was changing lanes without a blinker on Route 21 South. Police said a syringe filled with what they believed was heroin was in plain sight in the center console. Another 12 wax folds were found in the suspect's purse, police said. The heroin folds were stamped with "Duracell" in red ink. The suspect was released on her own recog-
- Police arrested and charged Linda Bolden, 45, of Irvington with shoplifting at 4:18 p.m. Store

ket with \$350.95 worth of merchandise. She was arrested and found to have a no bail outstanding warrant from Essex County, a \$250 warrant out of Maplewood and a \$125 warrant out Newark. Bail for the shoplifting charge was set at \$500.

- A criminal mischief was reported to the playground near 117 William St. at 6:05 p.m. A fire broke out in some dry leaves at the site, and two female juveniles were seen running from the site, questioned about the fire but not charged. Police are investigating.
- A burglary was reported to a home in the 10 block of Dorothea Terrace at 6:01 p.m. The victim said they heard male voices coming from another part of the residence and then found the rear door ajar. Police said they believed someone climbed the deck from the backyard. At this time nothing has been reported missing. Police have no suspects and an investigation is continuing.

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

### entry. A total of \$9,500 in checks security at the Pathmark, 115 Bel- against an individual do not imply and currency was reported miss- mont Ave. stopped the suspect guilt or innocence.

Clara Maass Medical Center important to us than our doctors, in the "Dear Doctor" campaign, will celebrate National Doctor's Day on March 30.

According to the hospital, every day doctors go above and beyond

which is why it is important to say thank you.

Clara Maass Medical Center honors doctors on Monday

To recognize these physicians, Clara Maass is asking individuals to care for our families and us. At to write in and recognize their outcertain times, there is no one more standing physician by participating

sponsored by the Clara Maass Medical Center Foundation. Share any stories or personal experiences that exemplify what is extraordinary about your physician's service to you and your family or the community.

Letters are due April 30. They can be e-mailed to deardoctor @sbhcs.com or mailed to Dear Doctor, 1 Clara Maass Dr., Belleville, NJ 07109. To be eligible, physicians must be on staff.



634 Mill Street, Belleville



### HOUSING

# **Audubon Place forms** tenant association

BY MEGHAN GRANT of Belleville Times

The tenants of the Audubon Place apartments near Branch Brook Park have turned their complaints into action, holding their first community meeting last

About 60 or so residents turned out for the meeting, including Fourth Ward Councilwoman Marie Burke, and two representatives from Essex County, who advised those present how to run a tenant association.

According to Burke, no one representing Audubon Communities Management LLC, the property's owners were at the meeting, despite being asked to attend on several occasions. The date of the According to Harris, the doors meeting was adjusted upon the don't contain deadbolt locks, and management company's request, she said.

Residents rallied after months of what they called insufficient water and other maintenance problems. Town Manager Victor Canning confirmed at a council been issued close to \$10,000 in fines from the township, and have attended municipal court hear-

ident of the association. An election is planned once the organization begins to take shape.

said when he contacted the land- recent lords about the problem, he was Audubon Communities. told they were in the process of fixing it.

Reyher told the Times during a woman Burke. previous interview that an engi-

neering report would be completed soon, allowing them to perform wiring and ventilation work, pending township approval.

He explained the heat issues originated from a specific boiler that had been leaking. After contractors were unable to repair it, the owners decided to replace the heat exchange, he said.

Reyher also said that some of the fines were for problems unrelated to heating, like location of the Dumpsters. Harris said the location of the trash bins had an impact on the ability of collectors to access them, leading to build

One chief concern from the residents is the installation of new backdoors on their apartments. the renters are asked to vacate their dwelling for eight hours during the installation.

The association has distributed heat, garbage pick up, lack of hot fliers to residents, asking them to outline their maintenance problems. These forms in turn will be given to the landlord, Harris said. meeting that the owners have If the residents feel the response is inadequate, a possible rent strike is being considered. Harris added the group is consulting a lawyer.

gs. Some complaints received During the meeting, tenant Al through the fliers so far have been Harris was chosen as acting pres- reports of window leaks, low water pressure and a broken dishwasher, Harris said.

"This organization is absolute-Harris said he documented 20 ly good for Audubon Place," said days this winter in which the Colleen Britton, director of the apartments were not properly Belleville Health Department. heated or lacked hot water. He She said there have not been any complaints against

An annual inspection of the complex by the state's Bureau of Co-owner of Audubon Com- Housing was conducted earlier in munities Management Charles the month, according to Council-



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# Board picks FKA for needs assessment

BY RICHARD DICKON of Belleville Times

School officials have hired an architectural firm to put together a exactly what needs to be done to each school - and how much it

exceed \$19,000, according to Interim Superintendent Melindo

plans and supported the decision to use the firm.

As the process wore on, a decision paring down the number of comprehensive plan outlining firms being considered to two was made, and negotiations were conducted on price and other issues.

As many as 16 architectural The school board has selected firms were asked to come up with FKA Associates of Livingston to a comprehensive facilities plan, complete a plan at a cost not to and at least 10 responded with detailed plans, according to Persi.

Persi said the Board of Education interviewed seven of those need help with is handicapped Board member Arlene Schor firms, each giving a 45-minute pre-

said she was impressed with FKA's All buildings need help with handicapped accessibility and making sure they're up to current codes.'

> Melindo Persi Interim Superintendent

sentation.

One area that all buildings will

Americans with Disabilities Act, look at potential new facilities. and another is making sure buildings are up to current codes, Persi

The next steps are for the board to await a complete report, with a price tag, and then decide how to proceed, Persi said.

The school board's Facilities Committee will complete a list of recommendations for the full board to consider, Persi said. Included in the decision making will be a tour of the district's facilities, Persi said. In addition, the accessibility as mandated by the committee will take a bus trip to

Firms interviewed and each one's initial bids were: DMR, with a bid of \$9,900 and a timeline of 30 days; Parette Somjen Architects, with a bid of \$19,900 and a time-guide of three months. Then there line of three months. Then there was FKA Architects, with a bid of \$24,000 and a timeline of two months; Tetratech, with a bid of \$30,000 and an open timeline. Finally, there was EI Associates, with a bid of \$30,800 and a time-8 line of six weeks; Vitetta, with a bid of \$36,000 and a timeline of 90

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### **OPEN RECORDS**

# Times once again asks for documents

BY RICHARD DICKON of Belleville Times

The Belleville Times is renewany settlement agreements between Belleville Township and officer Wanda police Scheumeister.

In a letter to Township Attorney Thomas Murphy, Dina L. Sforza, corporate attorney for the Times' parent company North Jersey Media Group, states that on two separate occasions, once in 2007 and again in 2008, this reporter filed with Belleville a request under the New Jersey Open Public Records Act for any legal settlement reached between Scheumeister and the township.

The township has acknowledged settlement agreements with Scheumeister, but rejected the Times' open record requests, citing "confidentiality clauses" which prohibited the documents' disclosure.

Sforza now asks "that the township review its previous denials in light of the recent Appellate Division decision," in which "the appellate panel ordered the release of a settlement a confidentiality clause, [it] 'can-

was decided on March 17.

Scheumeister was reinstated as a police officer after being arrested for shoplifting in Belleville and ing its attempt to obtain copies of pleading guilty to the lesser charge of loitering in West Orange Municipal Court.

Murphy said Monday that he personally does not have a problem sharing the settlement information, but the problem is that the attorneys agreed to confiden-

Specifically, there is a clause with the settlement involving the **Equal Employment Opportunity** Commission, where Scheumeister also initiated litigation, he said.

"I don't want to do something that will expose Belleville to litigation," Murphy said. "I don't want [Scheumeister] to sue the town and have us have to pay legal fees. The federal EEOC has to agree to release the informa-

He said he has proposed to North Jersey Media Group "a declaratory judgement action being given to the Superior Court, but we have to get the EEOC to

In her letter, Sforza states, "If we believe we are inappropriateagreement." The panel found that ly denied access to any agreement, although "the agreement included we are prepared to file suit to enforce our rights under OPRA not override the public's right of and will seek attorney's fees, as access under OPRA." The case required by OPRA."



DEBORAH ANN TRIPOLDI/BELLEVILLE TIMES

### PAINTINGS 'COLOR' GALLERY

Belleville High School senior Rich Henry, freshman Ciarra McGee and freshman Joseph Krisocki display their artwork at the Inside Out Gallery at the high school throughout the month of March. The art students worked with paint and color theory for the first time this year.



Belleville fifth-grader Amanda Edmonds witnessed history first hand on her trip to the presidential inauguration in January.

### **INAUGURATION**

# Maybe a better view of the historic event would have made a better impression

BY RICHARD DICKON

of Belleville Times

Amanda Edmonds had a once in a lifetime opportunity to see a presidential inauguration, but still reacted to the experience like a typical fifth grader.

"All I could see was people's heads and tree branches," Edmonds said of the moment that was transcendent for so many Americans.

Edmonds talked in very fine detail of her five-day trip to Washington, D.C., to witness the inau-event. guration of President Barack Obama in January, speaking as much about the food and the friendships she made as about the events in which she took part.

Edmonds was happy to make friends with one young boy, but didn't have a lot of positive things to say about much of the five days.

"It was quite strange," she said of the experience.

She spoke specifically about the accommodations at the Holiday Inn in which she stayed, the chicken and carrots at a particular meal,

'All I could see was people's heads and tree branches.'

**Amanda Edmonds** Belleville Middle School

as much as witnessing a speech by former vice president turned activist Al Gore.

Edmonds talked with pride about shouting out correct answers

A mountain climber's speech done? about climbing the world's highest "very long," and she recalled bus trips that "took forever."

There was a fire alarm one night that sent her and her fellow students from many places out "barefoot" and "freezing."

One event that seemed to grab her interest was "learning about the different jobs Obama holds in office," but that was followed by "a Gore spoke, along with former branches and people's heads."

Secretary of State Colin Powell.

Finally, on day four, she encountered the "humungous crowd" and "walked through the ocean" of inauguration attendees, finding the

other students "through the jungle."
"It felt like many hours,"
Edmonds said. "All I saw were branches and people's heads. I could only listen. We were way back. I was not able to see at all."

From there, it was into a gown and off to an inaugural ball "surrounded by a rainbow of lights. during a quiz at one restaurant There were singers. We stayed for a long time, and we got portraits

Finally, day five brought her peak, Mt. Everest, was described as home, and speaking with the honesty of a fifth grader, Edmonds concluded, "It felt a lot better finally being home."

Even after Board of Education President Joseph Longo congratulated her for "obviously being a bright young woman who represented us well in Washington," Edmonds stuck to her story.

'It was disappointing," she said long walk to the stadium," where matter-of-factly. "All I saw was tree

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# Schools need to stay on the cutting edge

When it comes to technology, it's the opposite of the old saying, "Everything old is new again." Indeed, for Belleville's students, what's new technologically is soon old again.

For the past 12 years, soon-to-be former school board member and two-time board president William Villano has been preaching the virtues of updating technology for the school district. Now, with his dozen-year run on the board about to end, it is more important than ever to heed his

Somehow, Villano managed to find a way to have the district wired with fiber optic cable amid constantly defeated school budgets and an ever-

changing cast of board members around him. The and benefit costs overwhelm school budgets. phone system is also updated to modern standards, and parents can keep up with their children's academic progress through computers, to name just some of the changes during the last few

Now, with his exit, the responsibility falls upon the remaining board, including at least one new member after April 21's school board election that could also include yet another defeated budget. Technology is advancing in the blink of an eye and shows no signs of slowing down.

This is a particular challenge to a school district trying to do more with less, as escalating salary

What's left to update technology is not likely to be near enough to bring Belleville's computer technologies up to acceptable standards and keep them there over the long haul.

The school board must become creative, as with Interim Superintendent Melindo Persi's discussion of lease/purchase agreements to maximize the amount of new technology that can be acquired under the severe restraints.

Still, without Villano's experienced and assertive hand at the helm of the Technology Committee, the necessary advocacy may be lacking. Board members need to heed his warning.

# Organization salutes woman on her 100th birthday



LIFE IN SILVER LAKE **CHARLES BURKE** 

Our 100-year-old resident, Madeline Rovelli, of Silver Lake, was feted at our SLCA meeting to a birthday bash.

The members were donned in their party hats and noisemakers to celebrate her big day. Her eyes lit up when Assemblyman Ralph Caputo presented her with a New Jersey Assembly Proclamation. The association gave her a plaque to always remember us by.

Madeline is a delightful pleasant person. In Italian, they say "cent anno," but now we must say "centanno uno." God bless Madeline. Take a gander on how beautiful she is with Caputo and my

Hey people, let's show our support for the Belleville High School's "Jesus Christ Super Star" musical. The dates are March 27 and 29 at 7 p.m. and March 29 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$10 per person.

The director is Jared Moskowitz. We all know him by his Irrestibles, who sing like angels at BHS. Good luck to our Silver Lake cast members Robert Serrano and Nick Admore.

I understand that the newly renovated Branch Brook Manor on Washington Avenue looks smashing. My wife and the Angel paid them a visit and were pleasantly surprised. The food is great, and the atmosphere is wonderful. Why not stop by and give a gander. Be sure to speak to

Stephanie.

Josephine Sorice of the Friends of the Library always keeps me informed of the programs at the Main Library.

On April 13, they will have an International Dance Party and Family Concert at 7 p.m.; on April 14, a luncheon for the volunteers at noon and jugglers at 1 p.m.; and on April 25, a Teddy Bear Tea for children at 2 p.m.

Oh, did I tell you these programs are free?\*\*\*\*

To all the BHS seniors who still live in Silver Lake and meet all the criteria for our scholarship, don't forget to pick up your SLCA scholarship applications at the Guidance Center. Remember, you have to be in it to win it.

And remember, we love Silver



PHOTO COURTESY OF MARIE STRUMOLO BURKE

During her 100th birthday party, guest of honor Madeline Rovelli of Silver Lake is flanked by New Jersey Assemblyman and Essex County Freeholder Ralph Caputo and Belleville Councilwoman Marie Strumolo Burke.

### LETTERS

### Thank you

### TO THE EDITOR:

Now that the national elections have ended, I wish the Obama Administration well in its promises to the public. Now let us turn our attention to our local

We take so much for granted in the services provided to us by our fire department. They are quick to respond to any fire, but they do much more in any emergency. They also provide ambulance service and immediate medical help.

In a current incident, I wish to compliment firefighters Sarwo and DaSilvia for their standing firm on their job to give medical assistance to my neighbor. Well

These people deserve a raise even if I know there will be a tax increase. At least I know where the monies are going.

Lest we forget our unsung heroes of Belleville, again recognize their importance to our community. Good work gentlemen.

Catherine Malavarca

### Parking problem

### TO THE EDITOR:

This reader recently stopped at town Hall to pick up an animal trap from the Health Department to catch an opossum. There was not one single parking metered

It seemed strange that so many shopping. I learned that 25 of the 30 meters on the upper level were displaying "violation." Two were marked out of order. A white van was parked illegally in a no park-

On the lower level, two police

cars were parked by meters as well as a trailer, which has taken up the metered space for more than two months. I mentioned this at a recent Township Council and suggested the trailer be parked in public works lot or at the township lot below the train

I went to the police desk and reported the violations. I was told that the parking official would come right over and ticket.

This was on March 13, on March 23, when I checked again, there were many parking viola-

Checking further at Town Hall, I was told that township employnot even feeding the meters. Some were even parking in handicapped spots.

Metered parking fees and fines should not be waived for employ-

They are an important source

of revenue. Employees can park in unmetered spaces in the township lot on the other side of the

It also appears people are using the lot overnight, as one often can't find a spot when council meetings are held at night. Signs, which indicate no parking between 2 and 6 a.m., should be meaningful and their instructions enforced

Perhaps the town could sell

overnight permit stickers to bring in extra revenue.

It is hoped the administration and police will enforce all laws and not let certain groups off the hook.

Police cars should be parked in designated areas and not take up metered spaces.

> **David Harris** Belleville

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people were visiting Town Hall or ees were taking up the spaces and Letters may be edited and may be published, reproduced, or distributed in print, electronic, or other forms. The views and opinions expressed in letters to the editor are not necessarily those of Belleville Times or its affiliates. Submissions should be typed and double-spaced, and include a daytime phone number for verification. Letters that cannot be verified or are anonymous will not be published. Not all letters will necessarily be published. Please e-mail letters to the editor to bellevilletimes@northjersey.com or mail letters to Belleville Times, 90 Centre St., Nutley, N.J. 07110 or fax letters to 973-667-3904.



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# What's for lunch in elementary schools

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Monday - Ham & Cheese Tuesday - Turkey & Cheese Wednesday - Bologna & Cheese Thursday - Italian Sub Friday - Tuna Salad Sub

### Salad menu offered daily (S)

### Bagel Bag Lunch (X)

Bagel with cream cheese, cheese snack pack, fruit and milk

### Yogurt Bag Lunch (Y) -

4 oz. Yogurt, cheese snack pack, pretzel rods, fruit and milk

### March 30

Breakfast - Cereal bowl, snack cheese and pure fruit juice or fruit cup Lunch - Pepperoni & Cheese Stromboli bagel or Cheese steak on a roll Green beans and fruit cup

### March 31

Breakfast – Buttered roll and pure fruit juice or a fruit cup

Lunch -Baked chicken patty on a whole wheat bun or Cheese steak on a

Corn niblets and pure fruit juice

Breakfast - Cereal bowl, snack cheese and pure fruit juice or fruit cup Lunch - Open face turkey sandwich or Cheese steak on a roll

Mashed potatoes & gravy and fruit

### April 2 -Nickelodeon's Anniversary

Breakfast - Bagel with cream cheese and pure fruit juice or a fruit cup Lunch -Patrick's pizzeria pizza or SpongeBob's Cheese steak on a roll Rugrat baby carrots and a FairlyOdd fruit cup

### April 3-No Lunch Single Session

Breakfast - Large muffin and pure fruit juice or a fruit cup

### April 13 -Thomas Jefferson's Birthday

Breakfast - Cereal bowl, snack cheese and pure fruit juice or fruit cup Lunch - French toast sticks & sausage or an all-beef hot dog on a whole wheat

Oven baked potato tots and a fruit

### April 14

Breakfast - Buttered roll and pure fruit juice or a fruit cup Lunch- Meatball sub or an all-beef hot

dog on a whole wheat roll

Green Beans and pure fruit juice

### **Township Council** plans work session for Monday

The Mayor and Council of the Township of Belleville have scheduled a work session at 6 p.m. Monday, March 30, in the Council Chambers, Town Hall, 152 Washington Ave.

A private executive session may also take place to discuss personnel and/or litigation.

Breakfast - Cereal bowl, snack cheese and pure fruit juice or fruit cup Lunch - Fiesta nachos w/ meat & cheese or an all-beef hot dog on a whole

Corn niblets, a fruit cup and free baked Doritos

### April 16

wheat roll

Breakfast - Bagel with cream cheese and pure fruit juice or a fruit cup

Lunch - Baked macaroni & cheese or an all-beef hot dog on a whole wheat roll Peas & carrots and fruit cup

### April 17

Breakfast - Large muffin and pure fruit juice or a fruit cup

Lunch - Pizzeria pizza or an all-beef hot dog on a whole wheat roll

Tossed salad with dressing and pure fruit juice

### April 20

Breakfast - Cereal bowl, snack cheese and pure fruit juice or fruit cup

Lunch - Cheese ravioli and dinner roll or oven baked chicken patty on a whole wheat bun

Green beans and a fruit cup

Breakfast - Buttered roll and pure fruit juice or a fruit cup

Lunch- Cheeseburger or oven baked chicken patty on a whole wheat bun Oven baked French Fries and pure

### April 22 - Earth Day

Breakfast - Cereal bowl, snack cheese and pure fruit juice or fruit cup Lunch - Mozzarella sticks with dipping sauce or oven baked chicken patty on a whole wheat bun

Garden peas and fruit cup

### Shakespeare's Birthday

Breakfast - Bagel with cream cheese and pure fruit juice or a fruit cup

Lunch - Egg, cheese & Canadian ham on bun or oven baked chicken patty on a whole wheat bun

Oven baked potato tots and a fruit

### April 24- National Arbor Day

Breakfast - Large muffin and pure fruit juice or a fruit cup

Lunch - Pizzeria pizza or oven baked chicken patty on a whole wheat bun Baby carrots and a fruit cup

Breakfast - Cereal bowl, snack cheese and pure fruit juice or fruit cup Pizza bagel or Rib-B-Que on a whole

wheat roll Green beans and fruit cup

### April 28

Breakfast - Buttered roll and pure fruit juice or a fruit cup

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

Corn niblets and pure fruit juice

### April 29

Breakfast - Cereal bowl, snack cheese and pure fruit juice or fruit cup An all-beef hot dog or Rib-B-Que on a whole wheat roll

### April 30-**Bugs Bunny Anniversary**

Breakfast - Bagel with cream cheese Hand pure fruit juice or a fruit cup

Lunch - Spaghetti with Meatballs and honer roll or Rib-B-Que on a whole and pure fruit juice or a fruit cup

dinner roll or Rib-B-Que on a whole

wheat roll Tossed salad with dressing and a fruit ਨੂੰ

Breakfast - Large muffin and pure fruit juice or a fruit cup

Lunch- Pizzeria pizza or Rib-B-Que on a whole wheat roll

Baby carrots and pure fruit juice





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# Outgoing Villano: Stay ahead in technology

of Belleville Times

In one of his last Board of Education meetings, 12-year member whe said has been one of his main focuses as a two-time board president – the need to stay as far ahead ≥ of the technology curve as limited Financial resources will allow.

"We have set out an aggressive agenda, and that goes hand-in-E hand with the strong backbone that we have put in place for technology," Villano said. "We are at a crossroads. I hope people understand that it is a reoccurring expense. It's like changing the oil; there is a constant maintaining and updating. It's not a one-time deal."

new spending on computers and other technology, and Interim Superintendent Melindo Persi has talked about a lease/purchase approach to technology if necessary to provide upgrades with limited funding.

One of the major initiatives involves the use of fiber optic cables. Students and school staff are able to enjoy Internet speed increased by "a minimum of 10fold" now that a fiber optic system has been installed in all public schools, according to Villano.

The move will also save a minimum of \$5,500 per month, he said.

Villano said in a previous statement that this is a substantial commitment, dollars-wise and future-

The proposed budget contains wise. A contract was approved to 'We have set out an pay Technology Services of Clifton \$728,025 to build a fiber optic network "in accordance with their proposals," according to the official resolution.

The installation ended a long process of refining and changing the plans, Villano said.

He said the new voiceover phone system eliminates the old system, with a difference in quality and a cost savings.

Villano has previously credited Board Administrator Edward Appleton in bringing fiber optics to the district.

The upgrade also allows for streaming video on all computers, said Villano, who chaired the school board's Technology Com-

aggressive agenda.... It's not a one-time deal.

William Villano **Board of Education** 

mittee for many years.

School officials said the new computers are much faster, and will enhance the students' use of the computers by cutting down the waiting time for the computer to boot up. They can get more done in the time frames they have, according to officials.

Other new technology allows parents to track their child's progress as a student.

Villano said that change is one of the technology initiatives forced to "the back burner" until the district finished hooking up all of the computers and telephones to fiber

The child-tracking system is called Parent Connect, Villano said. Parents are able to log onto a special Web site with a exclusive zon cable and phone lines, Villano password for their child, he said, said.

and the new district-wide phone system was to have new security measures. The system will save money with the voiceover system, so the fiber optics has started paying for itself as these initiatives were implemented, Villano said.

The school district approved its technology plan for 2007 through 2010, a renewal of a continuing program to keep students on the cutting edge of computer technology, according to Villano.

He said previously that when he was first on the board, the committee put the plan together, and the board is now trying to keep up with changing technology.

More than just keeping pace with technology, he said he would like the district to be ahead of the

As with everything else in the district these days, progress has been impeded by the bottom line.

The district has also made some progress with buying computers, but he said that is a never-ending

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# Administrators shadow students for a day

BY RICHARD DICKON of Belleville Times

A group of Belleville High School students drew strange looks and some ribbing from their classmates Monday, as the district's top administrators shadowed them. The exercise was meant to give administrators a better understanding of what BHS students encounter on a typical school day.

Teachers in some cases altered lesson plans to facilitate a better experience for students and administrators, and students focused on the facts that administrators saw more clearly what they do, the short amounts of time allowed for traveling from class to class and the general time pressures they face.

Student Arlene Yaoto was paired up with Deborah Perri, supervisor of student services, and both seemed pleased with the results.

Yaoto called the experience "really weird at first. I'm not used to somebody following you all day. I think it showed her that it's not so easy, with everything you have to remember."

Perri said she enjoyed the labs in science class, building DNA.

Stephanie Auriemma was the student who was shadowed by Diana Kelliher, supervisor of special services, and she called it "a fun experience."

Many students spoke of awk-wardness, especially at first, but Jared Clark, paired up with Assistant Superintendent Dennis Villano disagreed. "It wasn't awkward at all," he said.

Giovanni Briganti was paired with the top administrator, interim Superintendent of School Melindo Persi, and he thought it was a good experience.

"Some of my friends cracked jokes, and I was unable to say anything back," Briganti said. "It was a real chance for them to see what we do. I'd do it again. I enjoyed it."

Persi agreed that the purpose was to "try and get a feel for what a day is like. I was more interested in the building and how they get around. They go really quickly and

get settled quickly."
Principal Vic DePauw was shadowing John Ambriz and said, "We got a lot of smiles. Some kids asked if I could follow them

around tomorrow." Cynthia Rivera spent the day with Susan Rovell, director of elementary education. "It was an experience," Rivera said. "Someone asked if she followed me to the bathroom." She said there was

teasing from some of her friends. Then there was Kimberly Deblasi, who was with Dr. Joy Light, director of special services, and had a short, simple response for students' inquiries. "I had everybody asking 'Why is she following you?' and my answer was 'Because she is."

At least one pair had a previous history, which helped the chemistry, especially for the interim Science supervisor, Bill Bakka.

"He thought he'd do my style, but I was better at it then him," student Joshua Sanchez replied to the question of whether Bakka cramped his style.

For Vinny Agosta, sharing his day with Dr. Jules Palmieri, super-

visor of social studies and world languages, the day was strangest for one particular period. "I had the gym kids asking what he was doing there," Agosta said.

Christina Furtado was paired Constance Calandrino, supervisor of mathematics. She said, "I was chill with it. I didn't really have a problem, but a lot of students literally thought she was my shadow."

Sonia Mandel spent the day with Karen Fucella, athletic director, and said all the students knew what was happening. Fucella took the experience seriously. "I turned off all my cell phones," she said, and was thankful for a day where there were no athletic emergencies.



Acting Director of Student Services Deborah Perri shadows Arlene Yaoto in the disows Arlene Yaoto in the district administration's effort to understand students' daily lives.

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# The Woman's Club of Belleville hosting 'Shop into Spring' event on April 2

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The organization is celebrating ers and mothers.

include teachers, business owners, at Belleville High School, an annu-

Belleville Public Library and the

Tickets are \$30 per person, professionals, retirees, homemak- al poetry contest for grades 5 which includes a full-course din- mkim5623@comcast.net.

through 8, the Safe House, ner. The cost per table for vendors is \$25. If interested in tickets or being a vendor, contact Marie at 973-759-3912

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# Township delays budget intro

of Belleville Times

Belleville's township manager said Monday he was disappointed that the tentative municipal budget would not be introduced by the Township Council this past Tuesday, but said the spending plan was still on track for an April unveiling that he hopes would see any tax increase minimized.

Two issues were delaying the introduction, Victor Canning said. First the township's auditors were not to have the auditing completed and a financial statement ready

until at least yesterday. Second, the council was expected to discuss the capital outlay budget Tuesday night, a part of spending focused on fixing and repairing infrastructure not included in the operating budget and not affecting the tax rate. That must be in place to introduce the budget, however.

"We're not to the exact dollar amount of the budget yet," Canning said. "There are two [municipal] departments left. I'm ready to go

However, the overall news on meeting state guidelines remains positive, he said.

"The one good thing is that we'll be done for April," Canning said. "We'll have a couple of hearings for the public to participate."

He said the council and department heads are working to reduce spending as much as is reasonable, and he hopes the school board can trim down to a zero tax increase, leaving only the \$80 or so from the county increase to fall on taxpay-

While official numbers are not yet ready for discussion, Councilman Kevin Kennedy has already said initial projects showed a tax increase of more than \$150 for a home assessed at the township average, but work was still being done.

Interim Superintendent of Schools Melindo Persi has put the tentative school budget tax increase at approximately \$160, with state aid numbers bringing that number down. The school budget public hearing and adoption is scheduled for March 30, with a work session on cutting spending expected in the next few

Canning has said public officials are facing some tough decisions.

Residents have called for firing employees if they don't agree to forego salary increases or even take a pay cut, and for employees to pay into their own health insurance, among many complaints.

In an earlier interview, Canning said that from his perspective he thinks officials have "done a fantastic job," faced with the world recession. He said many departments are operating at less than when he arrived as manager in 2006. He paid tribute to the Budget Committee, Mayor Raymond Kimble, Councilwoman Marie Strumolo Burke and Councilman Kevin Kennedy.

Canning said tough decisions like not filling spaces where retirements have taken place, especially in police and fire, eventually go

'We're not to the exact dollar amount of the budget yet.'

**Victor Canning** Township Manager

to a point where it affects services "drastically."

Burke's suggestion that township employees give back one day's pay each month for 10 months highlighted some contentious debate among council and audience members regarding the budget recently, with a resident suggesting that the council threaten to lay off lower-tenured employees if local unions demand salary increases.

Another accused the council of not providing municipal services, eliciting an angry response from the mayor. Other comments centered on a tax increase pushing out neighbors already in danger of home foreclosures and freezing the budget at 2008 levels.

Kimble reminded Burke that pay is locked in contractually with the Belleville Municipal Employees Association, the township employees' union, and the local PBA and FMBA for police and firefighters. Township Attorney Thomas Murphy explained that only if both parties negotiate something out can it be done, and that goes for any change in working conditions.

Canning has said he froze the salaries of the town's administration, including himself, for three years, something not previously done in recent history and he has taken away township vehicles from employees who previously had them.

Third Ward Councilman P.J. McDonald said he can't deal with excuses from township department heads making \$60,000 to \$100,000, and that they need to produce, or officials should find someone else to do their jobs.

He said with the 2009 municipal budget, he said he would sub-

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### FINANCIAL BOOST

Belleville Township Engineer Tom Heritz, second from left, accepts a Community Development Block Grant from Anibal Ramos Jr., director of Essex County Economic Development, Training and Employment; county Chief of Staff Phil Alagia; and county Administrator Joyce Wilson Harley. Fifteen Essex County municipalities and 42 non-profit community organizations received a total of \$8.8 million from the federal program.







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🕏 From left, Zahra Gamal, Adriana Rosa, Samara Adell, Morgiana Celeste Varricchio and Nina ☑ Brewton perform in Mosaic Dance Theater Company's "Red Desert."

# Celebrate a rich dance heritage

The Westminster Arts Center of Mosaic Dance Theater Company (MDTC) and Viva Flamenco with an evening of "Folklore, Fantasy and Flamenco," a dazzling array of works celebrating the rich dance heritage of the Near East and Spain.

Bloomfield is presenting the for Friday and Saturday, April 17 and 18 at 8 p.m.

Opening the evening is "Mysuals and traditions of the Near Dance Group (NEDG), this work East. Its presentation honors the 10-year anniversary of the death

The performance is scheduled its creator: the late, celebrated master teacher and choreographer, Ibrahim Farrah, an awardwinning innovator in ethnic tique et Spirituelle," a dynamic dance. Originally choreographed work that explores the dance rit- for his world-renowned Near East

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### <u>ATLANTIC CITY</u>

By Ellen Burke Rawls



### Tina Turner tribute at Trump Marina, Cedric, The Entertainer at the Hilton

ustralian pop rock sensation Rick Springfield will be at Borgata's Music Box Saturday night. Springfield is probably best known for his mainstream power pop of the 1980s, but all the while has successfully pursued a very successful acting career, most notably in his role as General Hospital's hot doc Noah Drake. He's has sold over 19 million records, charted 17 Top 40 hits, and has performed live for millions of fans over the last three decades. He scored a Grammy for Best Male Rock Vocal Performance for "Jessie's Girl" off the album Working Class Dog, which achieved multiplatinum success. As an actor, Rick has had guest roles in several other TV series before returning to his Noah Drake role in General Hospital after a twenty-three year hiatus, continuing as a recurring character. Springfield revisits his classic rock with a single show at Borgata Saturday at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$50.

Since the close of AC's hugely popular long-running variety show "Legends in Concert," the different casino properties have brought in a series of full-length individual tributes. This weekend Trump Marina offers a fully-mounted recreation of Tina Turner's high-energy, live concert tour shows. The talented and energetic entertainer Suzette Dorsey has based the Tina Turner tribute format on "Tina's Farewell Tour." Suzette brings her amazing physical and vocal resemblance - and those spectacular legs - for an extravagant reprise of the diva's biggest hits. Classic favorites include "Proud Mary," "River Deep," "Private Dancer," "What's Love Got To Do With It?," and "Simply the Best." Backed by a cast of talented backup singers, dancers and a hot onstage band, Dorsey's Tina Turner interpretation is a colorful, lively production which has had audiences cheering on tours through Europe, the Middle East, Japan, and across the US to an extended run in Las Vegas Suzette Dorsey's "Tina Turner Show" will be in the Shell at Trump Marina on Saturday, March 28, 2009. Show time is at 8:00 p.m. Saturday, and tickets are

Hot comic Cedric "The Entertainer" will be entertaining the crowd at the Hilton with a single performance Saturday at 8 p.m. With sell-out concerts, a hit television series and a string of successful movies all under his belt, Cedric is riding high in Hollywood these days. His roles in big-screen hits like Barbershop, Barbershop 2, Be Cool, Madagascar, Intolerable Cruelty, Johnson Family Vacation, Big Mommas House, Lemony Snickets A Series of Unfortunate Events, Man of the House, Serving Sara and Code Name: The Cleaner" have established him as a cult figure, and his Coach Robinson on The Steve Harvey Show, has built an ever-expanding fan base. After his early career in standup, he got his big break with the celebrated TV series It's Showtime at the Apollo. The appearance led to the other comedy shows, including those on HBO and BET. He was featured, along with Steve Harvey, D.L. Hughley and Bernie Mac, in the Spike Lee-directed documentary called The Original Kings of Comedy, based on their Kings of Comedy tour. Showtime at the Hilton is Saturday at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$55.

AC's first Restaurant Week had many visitors trying new restaurants for the first time, and part of the fun getaway is exploring new cuisines off the beaten track. One of the resort's newest culinary adventures is to be had at The Melting Pot located on Atlantic Avenue in the heart of The Walk factory outlet stores. What a wonderful discovery, both in the quality of the cuisine and the fun that comes with selecting, cooking, dipping, and tasting your own creations. Fondue, it turns out, is not as simple as one might assume. For openers, there are a half-dozen distinctly different cheese fondues from which to choose: Cheddar, with swiss, lager beer and garlic; Wisconsin Trio with fontina, butterkase and buttermilk blue cheese, white wine and a hint of sherry; Fiesta with Mexican herbs and jalapenos; Spinach Artichoke Cheese Fondue; Traditional Swiss; and a seasonal featured Fondue. All are accompanied by a selection of bread cubes, sliced Granny Smith apples and raw vegetables to swirl in the bubbling cheese mixture. Choose from four delicious salads, then there's the dilemma of dinner selections like filet mignon, lobster tail, cedar plank salmon, Key West shrimp, boneless chicken breast and duck. A gargantuan "Big Night Out" ranging from \$86 to \$98 per couple includes all these lavish offerings and more, preceded by a cheese fondue and salad of the diners' choice, and concluding with a decadent selection of specialty chocolate fondues with bits of fresh fruit, pound cake, cheesecake and brownies for dipping. Or create your own dessert masterpiece with dark, milk or white chocolate flambéed with Cointreau, Grand Marnier, or Chambord! To make it even better, look for the \$20-off coupon in the local AC entertainment guides! Bon Apetit!

# 'Arts stimulus' package offered

the economy is affecting everyday life. Families have to tighten their belts and purse strings more and more as unemployment becomes a reality for households across New Jersey and the country. Dining out, going to the movies and other arts events have become luxuries that not everyone can afford at this

Three arts groups in Bloomfield are reaching out to those who are hit hardest by the economy to offer free tickets to events. Think of it as an "April Arts Stimulus" from BloomfieldArts.org, an organization formed last summer by several arts organizations that call Bloomfield home. Bloomfield-Arts.org most recently produced a theatre festival of new plays in February 2009. Now 4th Wall Theatre, Mosaic Dance Theater Company and the Westminster Arts Center at Bloomfield College have decided that anyone who is currently unemployed as a result of the economic slowdown can come see their April offerings for

### 4th Wall Theatre

"We understand that people need to cut back on expenses," said 4th Wall Executive Director Gwen Ricks-Spencer. "We've taken a hard look at our own finances and made decisions for this season and next which reflect the economic realities we all face. That being said, we still believe that everyone should have a chance to enjoy the arts, and if our making tickets free to a performance helps just a few people have a chance to go out and enjoy themselves for a

few hours, its more than worth it." 4th Wall is presenting the play "Avow" by Bill C. Davis on April 2, 3 and 4 at 8 p.m. each night at the Westminster Arts Center. The play is part of the "Out & Proud" week at Bloomfield College and concerns dilemmas of faith, commitment, human sexuality, obedience and family. It is recommended for mature audiences. It involves two relationships - one accepted and one not – in which one couple wants to exchange vows while the other considers breaking them. Those who have been laid off from their job can see the Thursday night, April 2 performance for free.

### Mosaic Dance Theater

Mosaic Dance Theater Compa- - Visit the Web site ny (MDTC) will be at Westminster www.bloomfield.edu/westmin-April 17 and 18 at 8 p.m. to cele-ster for more information.

Everyone is well aware of how brate National Dance Week with an evening of folklore, fantasy, fusion and flamenco. To open the show, the dancers will be performing "Mystique et Spirituelle," along with several dynamic new pieces, in both folkloric and oriental styles. Comprising the fantasy portion of the program, "Ubar, The Lost City of Brass" continues MDTC's signature style of dance/story theater adaptations. Flamenco takes the stage with special guest artist Antonia Messina and her Viva Flamenco Dance Company. The Saturday, April 18, performance is included in the arts stimulus package.

"The arts should not be treated as an extravagance to be cast aside when money is tight," said Morgiana Celeste Varricchio, producing artistic director of Mosaic Dance Theater Company. "Their power to feed the soul and inspire the mind and heart is too important and necessary to the advancement of our fragile human civilization. The arts community is used to governmentimposed funding cuts and smaller budgets. However, our greatest asset is our audience, and this April Arts Stimulus is our way of demonstrating how much we value that asset, and that we are all in this together, and all of us must make sacrifices to help each other overcome the conditions that prevail."

### Additional information

As not-for-profit organizations, these groups are well aware of the hard work it takes to get by in a healthy economy, let alone one on the ropes. They discussed this project before committing to it, knowing they did not want to make patrons have to prove their employment status. However, each organization felt it was important enough to make this offer and trust that people would be honest when they called for a ticket or approached the box office. The heads of each organization expressed a belief that, ultimately, this would pay off in the long run for the audience and their arts

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# Comedy cabaret a dual effort

improvisational comedy troupe Nutty By Nature and the musical theatre troupe Showstoppers performs Saturday, April 4 at 8 p.m. at Pianos, 36 Broad St., Bloomfield. An additional Nutty By Nature show follows at 10 p.m.

**Nutty By Nature** 

Nutty By Nature has been making audiences laugh throughout the metropolitan area for the past 11 years. In addition to performances at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC), South Street Seaport, 12 Miles West, Theater Under the Stars, the Black River Playhouse, Luna Stage and Barnes & Noble and Borders bookstores, the troupe has been

A comedy cabaret featuring the featured on the E! Television/Style ence as a performer, director, vocal Network's reality series, Try My Life. Members of the troupe include Paul Acocella, Jen Bukovec, Elaine Brodie, Jody Eiden, Laura Hartin, Robin Lewis, Shelly Miller, Cindy Summers, Mark Szep, Jackie Valeo and Ted Wrigley. This is Nutty By Nature's second year as the official improvisational troupe of Pianos, where they perform on the first Saturday of every month.

**Showstoppers** 

Showstoppers is a new 10member musical theatre cabaret troupe developed by the New Jersey School of Dramatic Arts. Directing them is Corinna Sowers-Adler, with over 10 years' experi-

coach and acting teacher in the professional theater world. From its inception, she served as theatre director for the Wilkes University Conservatory. Her extensive performance career has taken her to New York City, Florida and Nevada, with several stops in between.

In addition to providing material for the show, audience members are encouraged to bring their own "crazy props," to be used by the actors. Nutty By Nature and Showstoppers expect to make the Comedy Cabaret a monthly event.

- Tickets are \$10 apiece. To reserve tickets, call 973-566-9700, ext. 4.

# MMAC events calendar

The Multi Media Arts Center (a/k/a TheMMAC) in Bloomfield announces the following concert offerings.

- Friday, March 20 at 9 p.m. Victor Jones Cultureversy Band
- Saturday, March 21 Repo! The
- Genetic Opera ■ Saturday, March 28 - Breez
- Saturday, April 4 Dane Ferguson
- Friday, April 10 at 8 p.m. Just a Lil'bit, Isis-Nu
- Saturday, April 11 Bossa Brasil, Flip Peters & Larry Maltz Duo
- Tuesday, April 14 Comedy Tues-
- Thursday, April 16 at 7 p.m. Landmine Marathon, Wetnurse, Annunaki, Face Down Dead, Highest Power

- Friday, April 17 Fridace.
   Saturday, April 18 Terry McCarthy, Apache Stone Feat, Michael Lombardi
- Friday, April 24 Underground Jazz
- Saturday, April 25 Dana Edelman, 글 Suburban Dog
- Thursday, April 30 at 6 p.m. Dr.
  Manhattan, In: Aviate, Let Me Run, Sons of Silence

Schedule subject to change. Advance tickets available online only at www.TheMMAC.net.

The Multi Media Arts Center is located at 562 Bloomfield Ave., in center of Bloomfield. For more event and other information, visit www.TheMMAC.net or call 973-748-MMAC.

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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not been performed since the early

Re-staging this piece for MDTC is Phaedra, a principal dancer with NEDG who strives to continue Farrah's legacy. Samara, MDTC's choreographer and artistic director for dance, herself a protégé of Farrah, has created a buoyant new work, "Raks El-Saiid," part of a suite of exuberant folkloric dance from Upper Egypt. Included in this suite is "The Dervish," another signature piece from the NEDG, performed by special guest artist Mish-Mish B'int Amira, also a principal NEDG dancer. She also expects to dance the "Ouled Nail of Algeria," choreographed by Farrah.

"Red Desert," an interpretive work that explores a woman's conflicting emotions in a restrictive society where women are granted little freedom, and which premiered last season, is included in the program. Comprising the program's fantasy portion, "Ubar, The Lost City of Brass" continues MDTC's signature style of dance/story theater adaptations. This unusual "Arabian Nights" tale, full of timely symbolism, has been adapted, re-told and directed by producing artistic director Morgiana Celeste Varricchio. "Ubar" features as underscoring the evocative music of Jehan, a prodigious talent in the world of Oriental dance and world fusion music.

Samara, MDTC's choreographer and star performer, is an internationally respected teacher and performer. As a principal dancer in Farrah's NEDG she performed in some of America's most prestigious venues, including Carnegie Hall, Avery Fischer Hall at Lincoln Center, Town Hall, the Triplex Theater, Theater of the Riverside Church, Merkin Concert Hall in New York City, the Warner Theater in Washington D.C. and the Spoleto Festival in Charleston, S.C. The production also features Morgiana Celeste Varricchio, Adriana Rosa, Nina Brewton, Nahoko Sugiyama and Romy Zamora. Popular Arabic singer Maurice Chedid and drummer Gamal Shafik provide onstage musical accompaniment.

Viva Flamenco artistic director Antonia Messina has danced in the United States and abroad.

Tirado and Ramon de los Reyes. The program features some of the area's finest flamenco performers.

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# LIFETIME

### ARRIVAL



### Haley Marie Ciofalo

A first child, a daughter, Grandparents are Charles Haley Marie, was born to Ali- and Patricia De Lillo of cia and Jamie Ciofalo of Belleville and Belleville, on Feb. 24, 2009, at Zukovich of Clifton. Clara Maass Hospital in Belleville. She weighed 8 of Belleville and Jason Ciofalo pounds, 13 ounces, and was of Tampa, Fla. 19.5 inches long.

Patricia

Godparents are Alexis Masi

### RECIPE

### Maine Seafood Chowder

Serves 12

1 cup diced onion 1/4 cup margarine

4 cups potatoes, diced

8 cups hot water

6 chicken bouillon cubes

1 to 2 teaspoons salt

1/4 teaspoon pepper 3 pounds seafood (shrimp, scallops,

clams, haddock)

3 cups dry milk powder

2 cups cream

11/2 cups instant potato flakes

Sauté onion and margarine until tender in a large pot. Add potatoes, four cups hot water, bouillon cubes, salt and pepper. Bring to a boil and simmer for 15 minutes. Add seafood; simmer 10 minutes longer. Mix together dry milk and four cups water and add to soup mixture. Add cream; add potato flakes.

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A fine example of a Tortoiseshell, Margo's soft fur is splashed with black, brown, tan and white, topped off with a great personality. This makes it difficult for the volunteers at the John A. Bukowski Shelter to comprehend why Margo was just left at the shelter gates in a carrier. And imagine how Margo feels trying to understand why she was abandoned. However, she must have been loved and cared for, as her coat is beautiful and she is a very loving girl. Margo is now looking for a permanent home, so her heart won't be broken again. Come and meet Margo - she is an absolute doll - at 61 Bukowski Place, Bloomfield. Telephone: 973-748-0194.

### Reduce tax time stress with the six P's of organization

Many Americans procrasti-nate when it comes to doing their taxes, often because they don't want to tackle the receipts and documents that have been piling up for the past 12 months. However there are a few easy steps that can make this season less taxing.

With the tax deadline looming, here are the six "P's" of organization to make this season less stressful:

■ Prepare for tax time by making an electronic checklist of documents you will need based on your returns from the last few years.

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■ Plan ahead for next year by setting up a filing system for documents and receipts for the current year.

■ Preserve tax returns indefinitely and store supporting tax documents in a file labeled with the year and the destruction date.

■ Put Your Feet Up and know that you are ready for next year!

For more tips, visit www.Smead.com/Organomics. - ARAcontent

### Please send Birthday Club info to Debbie Tripoldi

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

Info and pictures should be sent to Debbie Tripoldi, NJMG, 90 Centre St., Nutley, NJ 07110, or dropped off at our office. Her phone number is 973 667-2100. Her email address is tripoldi@northjersey.com. Pictures will be accepted of children from one to 12 years. Sending the info to anyone else only delays things.

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

Thank you for your coopera-

# **National Nutrition Month**

### Clara Maass Medical Center challenges employees

March marks National Nutrition Month, a nutrition education and information campaign created annually by the American Dietetic Association. The campaign focuses attention on the importance of making informed food increase their energy choices and developing sound eating and physical activity habits.

Good nutrition involves making healthy food decisions and getting the right amount of nutrients each day. A healthy diet enables people of all ages to work productively and feel their best. It can also help reduce the risk for chronic diseases, such as heart disease, certain cancers, diabetes, stroke, and osteoporosis, which are leading causes of death and disability among Americans. Finally, eating right can reduce the risk of obesity, high blood pressure, and high blood cholesterol.

"Good nutrition is something people can take advantage of to increase their energy levels and employees to live healthier

'Good nutrition is something people can take advantage of to levels and overall health.'

Katie Szymona Clinical Nutrition Manager Clara Maass Medical Center

overall health." said Katie Szymona, clinical nutrition manager at Clara Maass Medical Center. "No one can expect to change overnight, but taking small steps over time and gradually introducing more nutritious foods into your diet can lead to a much healthier lifestyle."

CMMC is challenging its

lifestyles through a program called The Clara Challenge, which began on Feb. 27 and lasts until May 22. Teams of three CMMC employees will weigh in every week to see monitor their progress and adherence to a lifestyle of more exercise and healthier eating. Each week, they will also contribute a small amount of money; and at the end, the team with the highest percentage of weight loss will win that pot of money.

We make sure that we provide our customers with a wide variety of food selections," said Joseph Wojtecki, director of Food and Nutrition Services at the hospital. "The Clara Challenge helped spur the need for healthy choice meals in the café and we are happy to see that many employees are taking advantage of these alternatives."

For more information about Clara Maass Medical Center services, call 1.888.SBHS.123 or visit www.saintbarnabas.com.

# Wine Competition postponed

The Fourth Annual Columbus has been postponed indefinitely. Recreation Building 44 Park Ave., efit this year's parade.

Wine Competition, originally Sponsored by the Nutleyscheduled for 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Belleville Columbus Day Parade April 25, at the Nutley Parks and Committee, its proceeds will ben- ≦

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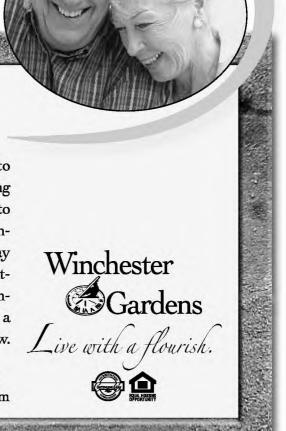
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# Busy pre-season for Bucs; batting order nearly set

BY MIKE LAMBERTI for Belleville Times

Decent weather and an aggressive schedule have helped the Belleville baseball team get in plenty of scrimmages as the Bucs prepare for the season opener on April 1.

Joe Sorce's team will be at tion. Ridgewood on April 1, and will play its home opener on April 3 against archrival Nutley. This afternoon, the exhibition games continue with a 4 p.m. game at Union. Then on Saturday, Belleville will play at Westfield in an 11 a.m. contest.

"We had 13 scrimmages scheduled and so far, we've been able to get in all but one," Sorce said. The weather has been good and consequently, we've been able to see a lot of kids play. I'm not too concerned with the scores of the games as opposed to how we're executing the fundamentals and if we're getting better. Overall, I like what I've seen."

Last week, the Bucs played Passaic Valley of Little Falls, Newark Tech, Newark East Side and a doubleheader against Middletown South.

"I thought we played pretty well in all but the Middletown game," Sorce said. "Passaic Valley has a very good team and we hit the ball pretty well there. Newark Tech is a building program and I liked the way we hit there, as well. East Side always has a strong program and with the exception of one bad inning, we did well there. hitters," Sorce said. "That's why Against Middletown, we didn't the scrimmages are so important. play as well, and I know the kids want to improve on that?

Sorce's main concern is solidifying his pitching rotation.

"Î'd like to get our middle relief

and closer situation squared away after this week's scrimmages," Sorce said. "We've got some good arms, it's just a matter of seeing where everyone fits best."

The number one starter figures to be senior Chris Judge, while Joe O'Donnell and Gerard Smallstey should also be in the starting rota-

Sorce likes what he's seen from senior Dylan Steitz, who could be team's closer, working the sixth and seventh innings of tight ball games. Steve Rovell has also been effective and could be a middle relief man. Irving Pena, a sophomore, has looked good so far in the pre season and could be used as a fourth starter or long relief pitcher.

"I plan to give Irving a start sometime this week," Sorce said. "He's looked good so far, but I want to make sure his role is set, either as a starter on JV, or as a spot starter and relief guy with the varsity. The key is to give him work so he'll develop into the talented pitcher he's capable of."

The starting lineup is beginning to take shape. Shawn Gonzalez, a center fielder, should be the leadoff hitter while left fielder Eric Mieloch bats second. Juan Lisojo, a very talented catcher, should bat third and O'Donnell, who plays shortstop when he's not pitching, hits cleanup. Look for Judge, who will play first when not on the mound, to hit fifth.

"I still have some decisions to make with our six through nine It looks like the weather will be pretty good this week, so I'm hoping to get plenty of kids playing



Belleville girl's crew coach Gail Lahm (center) and her team captains, Melissa Mananquil (left) and Hebah Elmiligi. The girls' team had a good day on the water last Sunday at the Flicks in Philadelphia.

## Good start to season for Belleville crew team

BY MIKE LAMBERTI for Belleville Times

The Belleville crew team hit the water for its first Flick race of the 2009 season and came away with some impressive performances, according to its coach, Gail Lahm.

The Bucs will be back at the Flicks, on the Schuylkill River in Philadelphia, this Sunday at 9 a.m. The team will have a boat dedication on April 4 at its boathouse on the Passaic River in North Arlington, and returns to the Flicks on

team's first competitive races of the

"I'll tell you what, I thought we did a good job," Lahm said. "We were up against some very talented schools and for a team that began practice in late February, we were right there. You have to remember

are involved with crew all year round, from the fall season through spring. We were right there in most of the races, and that's a nice way to start the season."

Under sunny skies and a cool head wind, the Bucs rowed against schools from Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Delaware and Massachusetts. Belleville had boats in the varsity and junior varsity races. The novice teams will begin racing this Sunday.

"About 50 schools were represented," Lahm said of last week-Lahm was pleased with her end's races. "And that's considered a slow week at the Flicks. By the time we race in the City Championships (in early May), there could be three times that amount."

Belleville's lightweight girls' 4 shell of Melissa Mananquil, Hebah Elmiligi, Valerie Torrizo, Jennyfer Sherrer and coxswain Kristine Ver-

that some of the schools we race sola took second place in its race. The girls JV 4 of Lisa Lorenz, Caitlyn Vreeland, Nadine Marte, Michiru Sprague and coxswain Gopi Patel finished third, as did the boys senior 4 shell, featuring Can-berk Nacir, Wolfgang Hiller, Juan Taco, Ankit Kushwaha and coxswain Anika Fay Balmakund.

Taco, Kushwaha, Nacir and Hiller are all captains for the boys

A pair of boats finished fourth for Belleville. The boys JV 4 of Abdullah Alhorani, Daniel Campos, Mike Bell, Erik Cueva and coxswain Vaughn Granados, and the boys JV 8 team of Camilo Rosas, Y-One Aligmayo, Daniel Robaina, Christian Pastuisaca, Bryan Villaruel, Renell Victorio, Gilberto Escobar, Ulysses Sprague and coxswain Destiny Velez also did well in their first race.

# Signs are promising for Belleville softball

BY MIKE LAMBERTI

for Belleville Times

With his infield pretty much set, Belleville softball coach Chris Cantarella is using the preseason scrimmages to solidify a starting outfield rotation.

Belleville will open the regular season on April 1 when the Bucs host perennial powerhouse Ridgehead to Wall Township for three games against Mount St. Dominic of Caldwell, Wall and Pope John of Sparta. The games on Saturday should begin around 10 a.m.

"We've had a good slate of scrimmages so far," Cantarella said. "We're hitting the ball well and overall, I like what I've seen from the girls. In our scrimmage against Linden, we were missing a number of varsity players, so we got the chance to play some JV

kids and they looked good."

Six players are vying for the three outfield positions.

"Right now, they're all playing pretty well," Cantarella said.
"Hopefully, this week, I'll get a better idea of what kids will probably be starting against Ridge-wood. You'd like to see a few of them take the lead."

4 p.m. On Saturday, the team will sophomores Michelle Knafo and Wall scrimmage on Saturday, I Victoria Andreola are also show- think we'll be in decent shape." ing excellent potential.

the starters from last year's 18-7 team are back. Jessica Benacquista should start at first. Nicole Velardi at second and Mariah Lucena at shortstop. The third baseman is Alexa Veniero and the battery should be pitcher Gabby Chimento and catcher Leah Benacquista.

ball very well," Cantarella said. McShane.

The infield appears set, but six players are

"Our defense looks good with Mariah back at shortstop and The senior candidates are Erika Alexa, who is very consistent at wood, at Clearmon Field. This Giangrande and Elisa Hoehe third. Nicole and Jessica are also afternoon, the Bucs will host while juniors Sandra Binkiewicz doing a good job. If we can get the North Arlington in a scrimmage at and Brandy Borke, along with outfield lined up by the end of the

> In last week's article, Courtney The infield appears set, as all McShane was inadvertently omitted as one of the coaches on Cantarella's staff. McShane has been with Belleville for four seasons and is Cantarella's varsity assistant. The 2009 softball coaching staff consists of volunteer assistant Maryann Soares, JV coach and catcher Leah Benacquista. JillMarie Patterson, freshman "Gabby has been throwing the coach Kenny Johansen and

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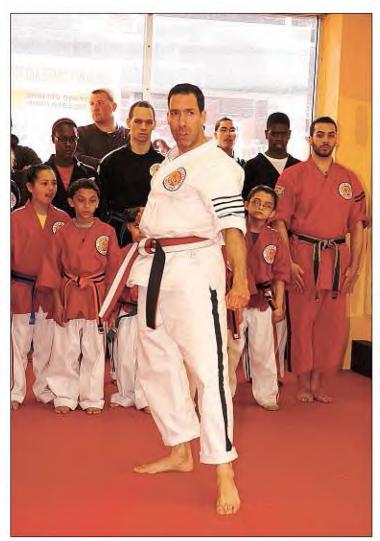
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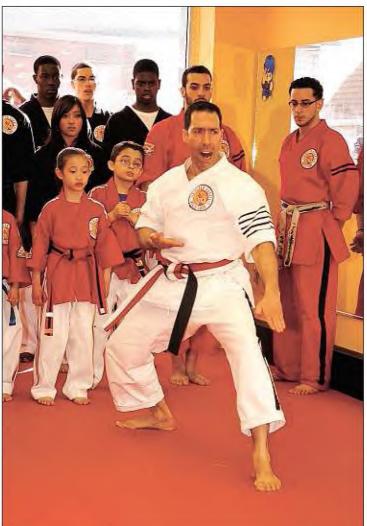
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# CASA holding bowling benefit on March 28th

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### Three solutions for stubborn outdoor spaces

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"Education is key to understandlandscape where no plants survive. ing tough conditions and which Whether it is around a trash can plants are best suited," says Fran storage area or in a shallow space Hopkins, founder of the Stepables surrounding a tree, understanding brand of creeping perennials. "Plant the appropriate plant material for choices for tricky areas are hard if bare, problematic areas can bring you don't know what works best,

and where." Plant brand experts such as Hopkins and Jim Berry, coowner of J. Berry Nursery, work each year to produce solution plants and educate homeowners on how specific varieties can eliminate landscape woes.

### Downright diverse

The first thing a homeowner should keep in mind when tackling a small outdoor space is that dramatic appeal can be heightened in a way that does not overwhelm.

Using plants with varied heights, colors and textures will draw the eye throughout a garden.

### Compare and combine

Areas in the landscape overrun with trees and shrubs can cause homeowners frustrating maintenance issues. When areas are planted without regard to this, plants can quickly overwhelm a homeowner. Combining plants with comparable growing attributes can lead to less work later.

### Taking it in stride

Certain areas of the landscape become bare of plantings due to the high-traffic these spots endure.

"Plants such as Lotus 'Plenus' provide these areas with a dense mat of yellow blooms that flower in spring and can tolerate foot traffic," says Hopkins.

- ARAcontent



Office will provide its outreach program from 2 to 8 p.m. Thursday, April 9, at the Belleville Public Library, 221 Washington Ave. Applicants are asked to be there at least a half-hour before closing.

All applicants for passports must appear in person. To obtain a passport you must have an original or certified copy of birth certificate with raised seal and date of filing from city or state of birth or original naturalization certificate or a previous U.S. passport. Children 15 years or younger renewing a U.S. passport must submit both the passport and original or certified birth certificate showing the full names of both parents.

Applicants who are 16 to 18 years old can appear with only one parent unless they have a valid permanent driver's license. Children 15 and under must have both parents present to execute a passport application. If only one parent is available, proof must be submitted that the applying parent has sole authority or consent to obtain the

Identification such as a driver's license, government employee identification card, or previous U.S. passport not more than 15 years of from date of issuance. All applicants must have a social security number. If none of the listed required identification is available, an identifying witness, who has known he/she for at least two years, must accompany the applicant. Said witness must be a U.S. citizen poor resident alien and be able to establish their own identify by one of the above means.

Applicant must have three 44 Park Ave., from 2 to 8 p.m.

The Essex County Clerk's forms of identification in addition to an identifying witness. Parents applying for minor children must be able to identify themselves using the listed requirements above.

Two identical photographs (2by 2-inches) with light background and non-glossy finish (full-faced only). School photos are unac-

The fees are adults \$75 (expedited fees - \$149.85), children 15 and younger \$60 (expedited fees-\$134.85) a check or U.S. postal money order payable to U.S. Department of State. The processing fee is \$25 and payable in cash, check or U.S. postal money order to the Essex County Clerk. The processing fees for expedited services are \$41 for adults and \$25 for children and payable in cash, check or U.S. postal money order to the Essex County Clerk. All checks need to be made out sepa-

Notary Public oath administered fee is \$15 payable in cash, check or U.S. postal money order to the Essex County Clerk.

Veterans license applicants must have DD 214 form in addition to proof of residency and signature.

The processing fee to file for a Physicians License is \$25 and payable in cash, check or U.S. postal money order to the Essex County Clerk.

Passport photos can be taken on site for \$10. No senior cards are issued.

The April outreach schedule to obtain a passport in Essex Coun-

April 1 at the Nutley Parks & Recreation,

April 4 at the West Orange Library, 46 Mt. Pleasant Ave., from 9 a.m. to noon. April 6 at the Verona Town Hall, 600 Bloomfield Ave., from 2 to 8 p.m. April 7 at the Glen Ridge Town Hall, 825 Bloomfield Ave, Glen Ridge from 2 to 8

April 8 at the Caldwell Community Center, 1 Provost Square, from 2 to 8 p.m. April 9 at the Belleville Library, 221 Washington Ave., from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. April 11 at the Livingston Library, 10 Robert Harp Dr., from 2 to 8 p.m. April 13 at the Maplewood Town Hall, 574 Valley St., from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 14 at the Montclair Library, 50 S. Fullerton Ave., from 2 to 8 p.m. April 15 at the Nutley Parks & Recreation, 44 Park Ave., from 2 to 8 p.m. April 16 at the Irvington Town Hall, Civic Square, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 18 at the Little City Hall, 113 Monroe St, Newark, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 20 at the Livingston Senior Center, 204 Hillside Ave., from 2 to 8 p.m. April 21 at the Glen Ridge Town Hall, 825 Bloomfield Ave, Glen Ridge from 2 to 8

April 22 at the Bloomfield Library, 90 Broad St., from 2 to 8 p.m. April 25 at the West Caldwell Library, 30

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Date: April 7 Time: 6pm to 7pm Location: Mountainside Hospital Family Practice Associates, 799 Bloomfield Avenue, Verona.



### **Health Awareness: Knowledge is Power**

We will address the latest recommendations regarding breast health and how this information empowers families to make informed decisions about their health & healthy choices about their lives. Presented by Kathleen Furniss, RN, Women's Center and Narmin Kurzum, Medical Librarian

Date: April 20 Time: 6pm to 7pm

Location: Helen & Bill Geyer YMCA Family Center, 159 Glen Ridge Avenue, Montclair.

### Preventing a Stroke: Knowing the Signs and Symptoms

How do you know if you are having a stroke? Would you know what to do? Join us as we learn the signs, symptoms and how our Primary Stroke Center can intervene during these crucial first minutes. Presented by Amy Paolella, RN, BSN, Educator and

Date: May 5 Time: 6:30pm to 7:30pm Location: Mountainside Hospital

### **Prepared Childbirth Class**

This class prepares the expectant parents with confidence in the event of their child's birth. This class prepares them from the time she goes into labor to post partum. A tour of the birthing center is included in the class.

Fee: Weekend session (1 day): \$175/couple, Weekday session (4 weeks): \$150/couple.

Dates: Tuesday class-April 7, 14, 21, 28

Tuesday & Thursday class-May 5, 7, 12, 14 Weekday sessions are from 7pm to 9:30pm. Sunday class-April 19 & June 7

Weekend sessions are from 8am to 4:30pm. Location: Mountainside Hospital



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### HAPPENING **5THIS WEEK...**

AARP Tax-AIDE service day, at ¥the Newark Public Library, 5 ରି Washington St., Thursday, April 2 (Conference Room) and 는 Thursday, April 9 (Auditorium), from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Belleville School Three Home & School "April Fool's" Tricky Tray, on Wednesday, April 1, 2009 at the San Carlo in Lyndhurst. Tickets are \$35.00 and include appetizer, salad, chicken dinner, dessert, soda/coffee/tea and 1 free sheet of lower level prize tickets. Additional prize tickets available that evening for 3 levels of prizes, one grand prize, 50/50 drawing and treasure chest. (electronics, assorted theme baskets, gift cards & certificates and more) Call Gaby 973-477-5006. All are welcome!

### **EVENTS AND FUNDRAISERS...**

Gwendolyn Briley Strand as Harriet Tubman, at the Springfield Branch Library, 50 Hayes St., Newark, on Friday, March 27, at 3:45 p.m. The show will be performed by Young Audiences of NJ.

Belleville UNICO AC bus ride to the Taj Mahal, on Sunday, April 19. The donation required is \$30,

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Pancake Breakfast, Cub Scout Pack 350 is hosting a pancake breakfast on Saturday April 4. It will be from 9 a.m. to noon at Fewsmith Presbyterian Church, 444 Union Ave. in Belleville. The cost for adults is \$5, and the cost for kids 10 and under is \$3. There will be a special appearance by the Easter Bunny-so you might want to bring your cameras.

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

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.

### **MEETINGS...**

Disabled Vets, of Belleville and Nutley, meetings held on the first Monday of the month at 11 a.m. at the Belleville senior building, Mill Street and Franklin Avenue. Call Joe Fornarotto at 759-1492.

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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.

NJ Professionals, networking group welcomes members. Membership is free. E-mail Robin at NJProfessionals@aol.com.

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

Woman's Club of Belleville, meets 7 p.m., second Mondays, clubhouse, 51 Rossmore Pl., Belleville. Prospective members are welcome. Call Judi Nucci at 751-2960.

Belleville Senior Citizens Club, Inc., 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays, Senior Building, Franklin Avenue and Mill Street.

Golden Age Club, 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Parks and Rec. building, 44 Park Ave., Nutley.

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.

The Belleville Chapter of UNICO Clara Maass Auxiliary, 7 p.m. fourth Tuesdays, Belleville Founders Room, Clara Maass Medical Center New members are invited. Call 450-2150.

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

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 Drozdz at 751-2277 or Sue Kintscher at 661-2623.

### SUPPORT GROUPS...

HIV/AIDS Information Exchange, 6:30 p.m. second and fourth Fridays, Christ Episcopal Church, 393 Washington Ave., Belleville. Call 566-0480 or 751-0616.

Friends For Life, for oncology patients, family and friends, 6:30 p.m. first and third Wednesdays, Branch Brook Room, Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville. Call Ann Shaftie or Donna Rainone at 450-2210.

Narcotics Anonymous meeting list: Belleville: Monday, 8 p.m., Fewsmith Presbyterian Church, Union Ave. and Little St. Open/book/discussion meeting; Tuesday, 8 p.m., Clara Maass Medical Center, 1 Franklin Ave., Branch Brook Room, Education Center, Men's meeting. Open/discussion; Thursday, 8 p.m., Fewsmith Presbyterian Church, Union Ave. and Little St. Open/topic/discussion meeting; Friday, 8 p.m., St. Peter's Church, rear basement, Williams St. Open/discussion. Nutley: Sunday, 7:30 p.m., Franklin Reformed Church, Hillside Crescent. Open/meditation/discussion; Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., Grace Episcopal Church, 200 Highfield Lane. Women's meeting. Topic meeting/open discussion; Wednesday, 8 p.m., Grace Episcopal Church. Closed/speaker/discussion. Open to addicts and those who think they have a problem with drugs; Friday, 7:45 p.m., Franklin Reformed Church, Hillside Crescent. Women's meeting. Open/discussion; daily at noon, open meeting, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Vreeland Ave.

Taste of Belleville: Tickets for Taste of Belleville 2009 will be available Friday, April 17 at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are just \$10 for each ticket to the most delicious evening of the year, an evening filled with good food, wine, and music. Restaurants who have donated their food in the past include American Bistro and Nanina's in the Park. Space is limited.

National Library Week 2009 activities: National Library Week, starting this year on April 13, is the busiest week of the year at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center.

International Dance Party: Monday, April 13 at 7 p.m., there will be a "International Dance Party." This is a concert for children by selected members of the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra.

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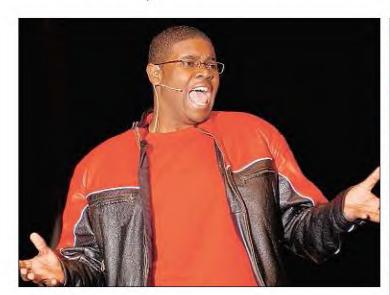
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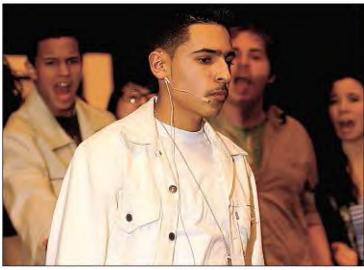
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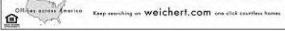
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The Belleville Public Library and Information Center is offering one-on-one classes for career counseling and resume writing on Saturday mornings through March 28th, and on Tuesday evenings through March 31st. Please call the Circulation Desk at 973-450-3434 to register. Each class will be scheduled for approximately half an hour.

Further help and information can be obtained online at the Library's Web site at www.bellepl.org. Be sure to check out the Vault database for information about careers and industry backgrounds.

### Teen advisory council

All teens are invited to join the Teen Advisory Council, which meets the last Monday of every month. As a member, teens are given the opportunity to assist in creating teen programs, participate in special projects, create teen book displays, select and review books, music, movies and more. Membership looks great on resumes and college applications and counts towards community service. Snacks served, too!

### Teen Center activities

Join us in the Teen Center every Tuesday and Thursday from 3 to 5 p.m. for Wii, Guitar Hero, DDR,

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Please register at the Teen Center or call 973-450-3434.

### **Wanted: Creative Teens** Students in Grades 7 to 12

Do you know how to knit, bead, paint, or any other creative activity? Share your talents and earn community service hours by contacting teen librarian Karyn Gost at kgost@bellepl.org.

### Join Friends of the Library

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### Library adds new DVDs to collection

The Belleville Public Library and Information Center is currently expanding its DVD collection with the newest best selling titles. These include "Mamma Mia!,"
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Show off your talent at the library on the last Tuesday of every month from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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### 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

### Library has databases for all interests

The Belleville Public Library and Information Center has recently added several new databases for our patrons. These include the Vault Online Career Library. This database is the reason Fortune recently called Vault "The best place on the Web to prepare

dents and professionals have discovered that Vault is the Internet's ultimate destination for insider career and education information. Vault's unique content and services include insider information on over 5,000-plus companies and 70 industries, information on top education programs, a career library, a job board, and Career Services and Admissions Services, Vault provides customized help on resumes, cover letters and admissions essays for job and education program applicants.

The Library also has the Small Business Resource Center which offers how-to information on small business planning, bookkeeping, human resource management, financing, marketing, regional tax laws and starting a homebased business.

Another exciting service the Library is offering is MyLibraryDV, a unique video on-demand service where patrons can access hundreds of DVD quality programming on topics such as cooking, travel, and learning about col-

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### Anthony J. Peda

Anthony J. Peda, 90, died in his Livingston home on March 17, 2009.

Funeral Mass was in Our Lady 넓 of the Blessed Sacrament Church, Roseland on Friday, March 20 at 8 10 a.m. Visiting was in the Farmer RFuneral Home, 45 Roseland Ave., Roseland on Thursday, March 19, from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Entombment was at Gate of Heaven Auto Parts in East Orange until his Cemetery Mausoleum in East ₹Hanover.

In lieu of flowers donations in his memory to St. Jude's Childrens Kiwanis and Italian American Marlynn Ciavola

Research Hospital, P.O. Box 50, Club. Memphis, TN 38101-9929 or to St. He Barnabas Hospice, 95 Old Short Hills Rd., West Orange, NJ 07052 would be appreciated.

Born in Newark, and after his marriage, he lived in Orange before moving to Belleville in 1958 and then to Livingston in 2008.

He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II.

retirement.

He was a 40-year member and past president of the Belleville

He enjoyed going to his summer home in Surf City spending countless hours walking the island and beaches and crabbing every weekend in his secret spot under the bridge. He and his wife Celia also enjoyed their trips to Atlantic City. His pride and joy was playing with his great grandchildren.

He was the husband for 63 He was the owner of Ampere years of Celia (nee DeBellonia) Peda; father of Elaine Perna (husband Nick) and Marlene Zwigard (husband the late Robert J.); brother to Mary Ferris; grandfather of

Joseph), Nicholas Perna, Robert Zwigard (wife Dina) and Bradley Zwigard (wife Christine); great grandfather of Madison, Morgan and Bradley Zwigard.

### James Simonsen

M. James Simonsen of Belleville passed away on March 15, 2009 at Mt. Sinai Hospital, New York City,

He was a proud educator for 38 years with the Essex County Vocational Schools. He began his teacher career as an instructor of the (husband building industries. Later on he

became a counselor at Bloomfield Technical High School. He served in the Coast Guard proudly during the Korean Campaign. He was a great track coach and witnessed the many winnings of his teams so proudly. He was a graduate of Newark College of Engineering and held a bachelor's degree in Vocational Education from Rutgers University as well as a master's degree from Montclair State University in guidance and counseling. He was inducted into the Pi Tau Epsilon Honor Society.

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### **OBITUARIES**

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He would love to be remembered as a loving husband of Gloria, devoted Dad of Jim and Gregory and Karen and loving Pop Pop of Scott and Jim and the devoted uncle of many nieces and nephews. He cherished his summers boating on the bay and leaves also to mourn his pup, "Sailor."

Funeral was from the S.W. Brown & Son Funeral Home, www.swbrownandson.com, 267 Centre St., Nutley on Thursday. The funeral Mass was at St. Mary's Church in Nutley. Interment followed in Glendale Cemetery in Bloomfield. Visiting hours were March 18 at the funeral home.

### Patricia A. Capanear

Patricia A. Capanear, 73, of Whiting, N.J. died Sunday, March 22, 2009 at Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville.

She lived most of her life in Belleville before moving to Whit-

She is survived by her sons Roger Salzano and his wife Melissa, Alan Zalzano and his lady friend Norma, her sisters Maryanna De Aquino and Theresa Capanear, her grandchildren Jennifer, Alyssa, Alan Jr., Victoria Rose, and her great grandchildren; Darren and Brandon.

There will be no visiting hours. A memorial Mass will be celebrated on Saturday March 28, 2009 at 11 a.m. at St. Anthony of Padua Church, Belleville.

### Muriel Jean Hamilton

Muriel Jean Hamilton (nee McAllister), 83, of Belleville died peacefully at her residence on Thursday, March 19, 2009.

A funeral service for Mrs. Hamilton was held on Monday morning, March 23 at 10:30 at the Irvine-Cozzarelli Memorial Home, P.A. 276 Washington Ave., Belleville (irvinecozzarelli.com) or 973-759-1114. Interment followed

Sunday afternoon and evening from 2-4 and 7 to 9 o'clock. Complimentary valet parking is avail-

Muriel was born in Belleville, and was a resident of the community most of her life. She graduated from the Lutheran Memorial Hospital, School of Nursing, Newark, in 1946 as a registered nurse.

She was on the staff at the medical practice of Dr. O'Grady in Belleville for 25 years, retiring in 1987. She was previously affiliated with Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville.

A faithful congregant of Fewsmith Memorial Presbyterian Church, Belleville, Muriel was also an active member/participant in the AARP Belleville Chapter, functioning as the organization's travel coordinator and held a recurring position as a Belleville election board worker.

Muriel can best be described as a wife of 62 years, whose loving marriage to Ed was a "union of perfect devotion." She was a loving

ing 17 years ago. Mrs. Capanear at Cloverleaf Park Cemetery, and nurturing mother, mother-inwas a clerk for NJ Bell Telephone Woodbridge. Visiting will be on law, grandmother and great-grandmother. Known to be caring, compassionate and understanding, she possessed a zestful love of life. Recollections of Muriel's fondness for travel are best expressed by her grandchildren saying, "the many road trips to Disney World in Florida were always fun-packed, and will forever be cherished and never forgotten."

She was the wife of Edward: mother of the late Edward Jr. and William; mother-in-law of Nancie and Susan; grandmother of David, Christian and Marlise; great-grandmother of Annabelle and David.

### **Bjorn Amble**

Bjorn Ommundsen Amble, devoted husband to Marie for 44 years, died on March 18, 2009.

Always youthful for his age, in his last years dementia took hold of him and ultimately claimed his life. Bjorn immigrated to the United States in 1951 from his native Norway where he was born on Dec. 24, 1923 to Barbra Sandnes and

Reidar Amble-Ommundsen. ₩ Raised in Sarpsborg and Oslo he fled on foot during World War II to Sweden to join in the resistance. Ending up in Scotland and then London he would return to Norway following the war for his Uni-≥ versity education.

An avid tennis player, skier, reader of the New York Times and gardener, Bjorn's first love was his family to whom he was selflessly and tirelessly devoted. His daily 7 refrain of "I'm a lucky man" was sincere and summed up his outlook on life and only in his final ≥ days could the disease rob him of ភ្ន that sentiment. He is survived by his wife, Marie and his daughters, Karen Amble and Erika Craven. Also surviving him is his son-inlaw Jason Craven and grandchildren Max and Siri Craven who brought him great joy in later years.

A private memorial service for the family will be held at a later date. To honor his appreciation and love of open spaces and nature, contributions can be made in his name to http://www.peconiclandtrust.org/donate\_now.html.

### **FIRM**

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days; Design Resources, with a bid of \$53,800 and an open timeline; and Design Resources, with a bid of \$58,800 and an open timeline.

Other bidders listed were Dicara/Rubino, with a bid of \$58,500 and a timeline of 14 \$62,100 and a timeline of eight weeks, EMG, with a bid price of \$71,535 and an open timeline, FVF, with a bid of \$79,900 and a timeline of five to six months, and of \$84,350 and a timeline of 12 weeks.

While some residents continue into the budget. to contend that the board has this information now, Persi said the trict has not focused enough on

board does not have information facilities programs. in areas like handicapped accessibility or preparedness for current and future programs.

Persi showed a copy of a report gathered at another district, and it was more than six inches thick.

Once a report is issued, the board can then decide what, if anything, its wants to do. Persi cited the example of taking a car to a weeks; Lan, with a bid price of mechanic, and receiving an estimate of what needed to be fixed, and how much it would cost.

Any major work would need to go to a referendum, a process Persi called "tainted" by negative Netta Architects, with a bid price votes in the past. An alternative would be to do some of the work each year and building the funding

He said that in the past the dis-

While long-range planning continues, three projects are ready to be out for competitive bidding by the district including a \$1 millionplus roof replacement at the high school and a \$755,600 roof replacement at the middle school. A large part of both of those projects is to be funded from the state. A \$93,000 electrical upgrade of School No. 5 is also planned, with the state picking up more than \$41,000 of the price tag.

The local share, including additional costs, is to be funded from the school district's Capital Reserve Account, separate from the school district's operating budget, according to the official resolution passed.

### BUDGET

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mit a list of names, particularly those employees who have "company cars," paid for by the town for their personal use, with 11 individuals estimated to have such vehi-

Fourth Ward Councilman John Notari said previously he expects to see reductions soon from the council budget committee, and will not support the next temporary ly about the progress of those cuts.

budget unless he sees significant cuts, including those that he will offer. Second Ward Councilman Steve Rovell has spoken specificalabout tightening up the allowance of overtime.

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 cuts. Canning said he speaks with department heads dai-

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

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itual reflection. It's a season for 8 focusing on Jesus and the sacrifice 8 he made for us over 2,000 years gago when he gave His life on Calvary's cross for all mankind. Jesus' Evary's cross for all maintaine, jesses selfless act of love extended grace and peace to a world that was lost in sin and despair.

Paul in Ephesians chapter 1 and peace come from God and the Lord Jesus Christ. The scripture states, "May grace (God's unmerited favor) and spiritual peace [which means peace with God and harmony, unity, and undisturbedness] be yours from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ (AMP)." God wants us to be in a constant state of receiving His grace and living in His peace.

today with so many things changing and failing on a daily basis. We need God's unmerited favor, peace, harmony, unity, and undisturbedness. Instead of focusing on the unpredictable economy we can focus on how God is yet keeping us in these trying times. Instead of being unsettles and unsure we can have peace.

Iesus told the disciples in John 14:17 "Peace I leave with you; My

This scripture is so relevant for [own] peace I now give and we can fast, pray, reflect on the sacbequeath to you." What an awesome consolation. We can look to God and the Lord Jesus Christ for spiritual peace that passes all of our understanding and guards our hearts from despair and our minds from confusion. We can cast all of our cares upon Him because we know, without a shadow of a doubt, just how much He cares for

So during this Season of Lent

rifice that Christ made for us in going to the cross. His sacrifice does not compare to any hardship that we may be experiencing. We can rest knowing that He has extended to us grace (unmerited favor) and peace that we all can freely receive as we look to Him as Lord and Savior.

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### **EWORSHIP BRIEFS**

### **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 Nutley, call 973-667-0026.

are welcome.

To reach the rectory at Holy Family Church, 28 Brookline Ave.,

### **Bethany Lutheran** Church

### Kids' fun night

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.

### 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 Fri-

### Worship services

Worship services for Bethany Lutheran Church are held at 9 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. year-round. Childcare is available. Everyone is welcome.

### 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 Essex Streets, in the township of services. Everyone is welcome to Belleville. For more information attend.

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.

### Promised Land **Christian Church**

### **Sunday Service**

Promised Land Christian Church has a service every Sunday at 11 a.m.

Promised Land Christian Church is located in the AMVET's building at the corner of Park Ave. and Walnut St at 184 Park Ave, Nutley. Visit www.njplcc.org.

### **Christ Episcopal** Church

### Care closet announces March distribution day

The Care Closet, an outreach program of Christ Episcopal Church, has announced its March distribution day for Monday, March 30, 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. For more information please phone the parish.

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### Godspell auditions announced

Christ Church, in conjunction with The Cherry Blossom Players, Belleville's Community Theater, has announced three performances of the music from the musical "Godspell" on Friday, April 3, Saturday, April 4, and Sunday, April 5. The performances will be given as a revue of the musical and raise funds for the parish's ministries. The score requires ten singers, five men and five women. Persons wishing to audition for the performances are asked to call the parish at 973-751-0616.

The music for the final version of "Godspell" was written by Stephen Schwartz, and most of the lyrics came from the Episcopal Hymnal. "Godspell" opened off-Broadway in 1971 and moved to Broadway in 1976 where it closed a year later.

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### Lenten movie series

Christ Church has announced a series of movies to be shown on Sunday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Undercroft of the church during the season of Lent. The four movies look at faith through the eyes of films and will include a time for reflection on the films at the end of the viewing. The series "Into Great Silence" (March 29). The series is free and open to the

### Call to a renewed life of prayer

Christ Church has announced a call for a renewed regular life of prayer during the season of Lent. Lent is marked as a season of prayer, fasting and the giving of alms. Eucharist will be offered every Sunday at 10 a.m. and every Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. during the season. In addition every day on Monday through Saturday in the Chapel of Our Lady of Walsingham in the church Morning Prayer will be offered at 9 a.m. and Evening Prayer will be offered at 6

Members of the parish are being urged to regularly take time for prayer daily during the season. This year in particular they are being asked to pray for the life of the parish and its mission, and to pray

Five Fridays of Faith Series during season of Lent

Christ Church has announced "Five Fridays of Faith," a family-oriented program on the five Fridays of Lent. The programs will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a simple meatless meal in keeping with the call to fasting during the season of Lent. Programs for both children and youth will be offered. Each week there will be a 10-minute video shown about a variety of issues of faith and will be followed by a period of reflection and discussion. The evening's activities will close with a very simple Eucharist and be finished by 8 p.m. The program is open to anyone who may be seeking a closer relationship with God.

### New members

Persons wishing to unite with the community of faith are asked the Altar of Repose in the Lady 0616.

### Triduum observances

One giant piece of liturgical drama in three acts, each separated by twenty-four hours for prayer and meditation, the liturgies of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and the Great Vigil of Easter retell the great Paschal mystery, and form the very core of Christian faith. All of the other services of the church's calendar find their core in these three

The schedule of services for the observance of the Triduum or "Three Days" are as follows.

The Proper Liturgy for Maundy Thursday with the Ceremony of Footwashing and the Stripping of the Altar will be offered on Thursday, April 9 at 7 p.m. From this in the township of Belleville. time until the following evening For more information you may the Sacrament will be reserved at call the church at 973-751-

for all of the members of parish in rotation.

to contact The Rev. Paul Walker, Chapel. A prayer vigil will be held by the rotation.

Chapel. A prayer vigil will be held by the rotation. through the twenty-four hours until the Liturgy of Good Friday.

The Proper Liturgy of Good Friday, with the chanting of the Passion of St. John and Communion ≤ from the Reserved Sacrament will 5

be held on Friday, April 10 at 7 p.m. One of the most ancient services of the church, The Great Vigil of Easter will be celebrated on Saturday, April 11 beginning at 8 p.m. The Vigil will conclude with the first Mass of Easter, celebrated by the Vicar Of Christ Church, The ₹ Rev'd Paul Walker.

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# **Chorus of Communities**

The Chorus of Communities, an voices in song. interdenominational chorus, was formed in 1990 for the purpose of providing high quality cultural events in the local area and to raise money for Clara Maass Medical Center and other charities.

Membership is drawn from more than 20 churches in Essex, Hudson, Bergen and Union counties. Rehearsals are held at 7:30 p.m. Mondays at Bethany Lutheran Church, 262 Joralemon St. in

people to join them to raise their

Dress rehearsal is Friday, April 17, and concert date is Sunday, April 19. Song selection is Requiem by Gabriel Fauré, Quarte Motets by Maurice Duruflé, Psalm 150 by Česar Franck and French organ music by Vierne de Grigny, with Meray Boustani, soprano, Richard Zuck, baritone and Olivia Buthod, organist.

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resources to promote and support 8 enrichment programs, continuing 8 education and other lifelong learnging projects for our public school ± students."

That statement is coupled with a ¥vision statement that talks about ₹ "enhancing student achievement, g supporting creativity and diversity in teaching and learning, and pro-moting excellence in education."

The group's financial resources will be focused on learning activities, equipment and facilities, and supported by collaborative partnerships among the community, school, business, alumni, and local government organizations.

"Students are helped to achieve their personal and academic goals through the lifelong learning process that the foundation encourages," according to the vision statement.

Longo and Interim Superintendent of Schools Melindo Persi are acting as liaisons between the schools and the group, Persi said. "It's all for the kids," Persi said.

The short-term and longer term goals of the group were outlined by by Dec. 31, and we're working on how to get there and when," he said of the short-term.

A meeting was scheduled for this past Tuesday to plan a Wall of Recognition dinner that is scheduled for May 20 at the Chandelier Restaurant on Franklin Avenue in Belleville.

Longo explained that Cuzzi was nominated by a Wall of Recognition committee and approved by the school district for inclusion on the wall.

"The education association is now going to pick up the ball and run with it," Longo said.

Cervasio said the dinner will "become a cultivating event, to

beginning of our fundraising. From there the board of education will assess the needs of the district."

Even before May, there will be a "business card exchange" where anyone can attend a wine and cheese type event to learn about participating in the association in any way they choose. The formal announcement will come "in the next couple of weeks," Cervasio

As for the long-range, Longo said, "We want to see an organization that is strong and viable, known in the community for doing good, and a place where there is the ground to plant financial seeds to add things to the schools that we

"Our target is to raise \$100,000 inductees, and represents the lofty goals. There are Belleville stories that need to be told about, and I ultimately see alumni having a great opportunity to do that and say they have done things to make Belleville the best it can be."

Persi said items like sustainable scholarships and endowments are more concrete examples of what the group can accomplish.

"It's all about fundraising in higher education, but there has been a black hole in public schools where that is concerned," Persi said. "Very few think of giving money to their high school."

Later on in the group's process, the auditorium may be renovated and will be renamed the Connie Francis Theater at Belleville High School, with anyone allowed to pay to have a seat named in memory of a loved one or someone else special to them. Francis will have her own seat to be used at her pleasure, and the naming of that seat may be auctioned off, Cervasio said.

Francis was a superstar pop singer in the late 1950s and early 1960s who grew up in Belleville.

The past can help provide for the future, Cervasio said, since everyone who has come through BHS has a favorite teacher and memories that would make them want to give back.

"It's where it all began," he said. "For me there was Ellen Angus, who taught me in seventh and eighth grade at School No. 10. She helped make my life."

Still, the goal of the group transcends any one person, Cervasio said.

"It's not about any one of us," he said. "Belleville's got enough of a story to tell. The ultimate commitment for me, and I hope many others, is that I'm putting the schools in my will."

Perri focused on the grass roots nature of the group, and said, "It will be a support for students, parents and staff. It will be a great foundation."

### Group's scholarship breakfast is set for Sunday, April 19

The Kevin Kennedy Civic Association will hold its 16th annual scholarship breakfast from 10 a.m. to noon Sunday, April 19, at The Chandelier in Belleville. This year the scholarship will be given in memory of Michael Nardiello and Virginia DiCarlo.

The Humanitarian of the Year 2009 is Joseph Maurillo for his hard work and commitment to the people of Belleville, Essex County and the state of New Jersey. Hon. Marie Strumolo Burke is the recipient of the Community Service Award for 2009.

The association will give out its annual scholarships in memory of Lt. Edward J. Kennedy, and Marguerite and Edward Kennedy, the standards bear's brother, mother and father, and Fabiola "Fab Piombo, a friend of the association from the start.

There will also be the annual Township Clerk Mary Lou Hood Memorial Scholarship, as well as the Dr. James J. Cozzarelli and Jospeh A. Restaino and Edith DeFeo scholarships.

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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 February 24, 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, April 14, 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.

Kelly A. Cavanagh

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE CREATING PERMANENT POSITIONS AND ADOPTING RECLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLANS'
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BELLEVILLE, NEW JERSEY:
THAT, Ordinance No. 3180 be amended as follows:
Section II C Municipal

Title of Position
Public Defender

Belleville Times 2559244 **Y** Fee \$16.50 **Y** March 26, 2009

2007 \$18.119

**Public Notices** 

2010 \$15,000

TOWNSHIP OF BELLEVILLE
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NOTICE OF ACTIONS TAKEN
AT THE FEBRUARY 5, 2009 ZONING
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEETING THE
FOLLOWING ACTIONS WERE MEMORIAL-

FOLLOWING ACTIONS WEHE MEMORIAL-IZED AS FOLLOWS:
APPROVED - Application - ZB-2008-13 - 191 Belleville Ave, J & H Radio for a use variance for the conversion of an existing building to a retail store was approved.

Michelle A. Dalbo

Michelle A. Dalbo Board of Adjustment Interim Secretary 152 Washington Avenue Belleville, New Jersey 07109 March 18, 2009

Belleville Times 2556945 Fee \$6.53

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NOTICE is hereby given that Ordinance No. 3197 was adopted at a regular meeting by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the Township of Belleville, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey on March 10, 2009, entitled:

entitled:
An Ordinance to Amend the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Belleville, Chapter 8-4, One Way Streets.
Kelly A. Cavanagh,
Municipal Clerk

Township of Belleville Belleville Times 2556786 Fee \$5.50 March 26, 2009

TOWNSHIP OF BELLEVILLE
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NOTICE OF ACTIONS TAKEN
AT THE JANUARY 6, 2009 ZONING
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEETING THE
FOLLOWING ACTIONS WERE MEMORIALIZED AS FOLLOWS:
APPROVED - Application - ZB-2008-12 - 27
Roosevelt Avenue, The Abagnate Family LP
for use variance for an indoor used car license and business was approved.

for use variance for an indoor used cal incense and business was approved.

APPROVED - Application - ZB-2000-27 - 360 Franklin Avenue, Lyndhurst Caterers/Chandelier for Final Site Plan approval for construction of a parking lot was

Michelle A. Dalbo Board of Adjustment Interim Secretary 152 Washington Avenue Belleville, New Jersey 07109 March 18, 2009

Belleville Times 2556931 Fee \$8.25 March 26, 2009

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NOTICE is hereby given that Ordinance No. 3196 was adopted at a regular meeting by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the Township of Belleville, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey on March 10, 2009, entitled:

An Ordinance to Amend the Fee Schedule In Regards to Police Records and Police Permits Within the Township of Belleville. Kelly A. Cavanagh, Municipal Clerk

Township of Belleville Belleville Times 2556776 Fee \$5.50 March 26, 2009

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\$424,702.55, together with the sale.

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

Newark, N.J. February 11, 2009

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Cash and Investments Taxes, Assessments, Liens and Utility	\$ 11,634,447.49	\$ 13,702,827.78
Charges Receivable Property Acquired for Taxes - Assessed	2,685,460.25	2,304,098.39
Value Accounts Receivable and Inventory Interfunds Receivable Fixed Capital - Utility Deferred Charges to Revenue of Succeeding Years	768,900.00 3,388,447.67 2,270,755.74 2,537,317.17 187,427.44	101,800.00 2,839,191.82 2,116,826.96 2,537,317.17
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation - General Capital	28,110,146.82	24,366,377.82
	\$ 51,582,902.58	\$ 47,968,439.94
LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE		
Bonds and Notes Payable Improvement Authorizations Interfunds Payable Other Liabilities and Special Funds Amortization of Debt for Fixed Capital Acquired or Authorized	\$ 19,235,771.82 8,137,338.65 2,270,755.74 13,154,520.86 2,427,317.17	\$ 21,859,502.82 4,328,264.41 2,116,826.96 9,382,304.01 2,417,317.17
Reserve for Certain Assets Receivable Fund Balances	5,702,166.26 655,032.08 \$ 51,582,902.58	3,153,644.74 4,710,579.83 \$ 47,968,439.94
Bonds and Notes Authorized but Not Issued	\$ 8,384,375.00	\$ 2,052,625.00
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS A CURRENT FUND	ND CHANGE IN FUND	BALANCE -

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS A	AND CHANGE IN FUND	BALANCE -	
CURRENT FUND			
Revenue and Other Income Realized	Year 2007	Year 2006	
Fund Balance Utilized Collection of Current Tax Levy Collection of Delinquent Taxes and Tax	\$ 4,080,000.00 75,455,704.13	\$ 7,188,000.00 68,156,452.20	
Title Liens Miscellaneous - From Other Than Local	1,342,071.12	1,214,077.32	
Property Tax Levies	14,652,264.70 95,530,039.95	15,411,778.54 91,970,308.06	
Expenditures Budget Appropriations:	48.473.485.75	14 105 000 50	
Municipal Purposes County Taxes Local School Taxes	13,284,586.87 31,691,984.00	44,165,608.58 12,655,719.23 30,987,272.00	
Other Expenditures	1,777,586.63 95,227,643.25	495,979.73 88,304,579.54	
Excess in Revenue	302,396.70	3,665,728.52	
Adjustment to Income Before Fund Balance: Expenditures Included Above Which Are by Statute Deferred Charges to Budget of			
Succeeding Year	168,597.35	375,000.00	
Statutory Excess to Surplus	470,994.05	4,040,728.52	
Fund Balance Balance January 1	4,144,397.41 4,615,391.46	7,291,668.89 11,332,397.41	
Decreased by: Utilized as Anticipated Revenue	4,080,000.00	7,188,000.00	
Balance December 31	\$ 535,391.46	4,144,397.41	
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS A WATER UTILITY OPERATING FUND	AND CHANGE IN FUND E	BALANCE -	

WATER UTILITY OPERATING FUND		
B	Year 2007	Year 2006
Revenue and Other Income Realized Fund Balance Utilized Collection of Water Rents Miscellaneous - From Other Than	\$ 51,261.00 3,283,148.16	\$ 281,000.00 3,144,729.45
Water Rents	145,903.51 3,480,312.67	103,877.74 3,529,607.19
Expenditures Budget Appropriations: Operations Debt Service Statutory Expenditures	3,428,730.00 14,253.87 53,000.00 3,495,983.87	3,410,019.00 14,589.00 55,000.00 3,479,608.00
Excess in Revenue		49,999.19
Deficit in Revenue	\$ (15,671.20)	
Fund Balance Balance January 1	\$ <u>51,261.32</u> 51,261.32	282,262.13 332,261.32
Decreased by: Utilized as Anticipated Revenue	51,261.00	281,000.00
Balance December 31	\$ 0.32	\$ 51,261.32

A Corrective Action Plan, which outlines the actions the Township of Belleville will take to correct the findings listed herein, will be prepared in accordance with Federal and State re-quirements. A copy of it will be placed on file and made available for public inspection in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

Office of the Municipal Clerk.

The attached summary was prepared from the Report of Audit of the Township of Belleville, County of Essex, for the calendar year 2007, filed by Joseph J. Faccone, Registered Municipal Accountant of the firm of Samuel Klein and Company, and is published in compliance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:5-7. The Report is on file at the Township Clerk's Office and may be inspected by any interested person.

Kelly A. Cavanagh, Township Clerk

Belleville Times 2556864 Fee \$82.51 March 26, 2009

SHERIFF'S SALE
SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 09000263
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY,
CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY,
DOCKET NO. F 49608
LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE UNDER THE POOLING AND SERVICING AGREEMENT DATED AS OF AUGUST Plaintiff

ED AS OF AUGUST Plaintiff

-vsNELSON GARCIA, JR. Defendants
Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises
By virtue of the above stated writ of Execution, to me directed, I shall expose for sale
by Public Auction in SHERIFF'S OFFICE,
Essex County Courts Building in Newark, on
Tuesday, April 07, 2009, at one-thirty P.M.
(Prevailing Time)
Commoniv known as:
764 SOUTH 16TH ST
NEWARK, NJ 07103
LOT: 40 BLOCK: 2635
DIMENSIONS OF LOT: 100 X 25
NEAREST CROSS STREET: 352.0
FROM AVON AVENUE
A full legal description can be found in the
office of the Register of Essex County.
A DEPOSIT OF 20% OF THE BID PRICE IN
CERTIFIED FUNDS IS REQUIRED AT THE
TIME OF SALE.
SURPLUS MONEY: IF AFTER THE SALE
AND SATISFACTION OF THE MORTGAGE
DEBT, INCLUDING COSTS AND EXPENSES, THERE REMAINS ANY SURPLUS
MONEY: THE MONEY WILL BE DEPOSITED INTO THE SUPERIOR COURT TRUST
FUND AND ANY PERSON CLAIMING THE
SURPLUS, OR ANY PART THEREOF, MAY

FILE A MOTION PURSUANT TO COURT RULES 4:64-3 AND 4:57-2 STATING THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF THAT PERSON'S CLAIM AND ASKING FOR AN ORDER DIRECTING PAYMENT OF THE SURPLUS MONEY. THE SHERIFF OR OTHER PERSON CONDUCTING THE SALE WILL HAVE INFORMATION REGARDING THE SURPLUS, IF ANY.

The approximate amount of the Judgment to be satisfied by said sale is the sum of

be satisfied by said sale is the sum of \$333,243.09, together with the costs of this

Sale.
The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn the sale from time to time as provided by Law.
Newark, N.J. February 10, 2009
Armando B. Fontoura, Sheriff
POWERS KIRN, LLC,
ATTORNEY(S)

Belleville Times 2548916 Fee \$82.52 March 12, 19, 26; April 2, 2009

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SHERIFF'S SALE
SHERIFFS FILE NO. 09000105
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY,
CHANCERY DIVISION,
ESSEX COUNTY,
DOCKET NO. F67808
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS
TRUSTEE ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS
OF THE ADJUSTABLE RATE MORTGAGE
TRUST
Plaintiff Plaintiff

-vs-TAIWO S. ABDULLAH

TAIWO S. ABDULLAH
Defendants
Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises
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by Public Auction in SHERIFF'S OFFICE,
Essex County Courts Building in Newark, on
Tuesday, March 31, 2009, at one-thirty P.M.
(Prevailing Time)
Commonly known as:
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NEWARK, NJ 07112
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office of the Register of Essex County.
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IN CERTIFIED FUNDS IS REQUIRED AT
THE TIME OF SALE.
TAX LOT NO. 34
FKA 34 & 35 IN BLOCK 3053.02
DIMENSIONS: APPROX. 36 X100 X 45 X
100 FT.
NEABEST CROSS STREET:

FIXA 34 & 35 IN BLOCK 3053.02

DIMENSIONS: APPROX. 36 X100 X 45 X 100 FT.

NEAREST CROSS STREET:
SHAW AVENUE
SUBJECT TO ANY OPEN TAXES,
WATER/SEWER, MUNICIPAL OR TAX
LIENS THAT MAY BE DUE.

TAX AND PRIOR LIEN INFO.: AT THE
TIME OF PUBLICATION TAXES/
SEWER/WATER INFORMATION WAS NOT
AVAILABLE - YOU MUST CHECK WITH
THE TAX COLLECTOR FOR EXACT
AMOUNTS DUE.
SURPLUS MONEY: IF AFTER THE SALE
AND SATISFACTION OF THE MORTGAGE
DEBT, INCLUDING COSTS AND EXPENSES, THERE REMAINS ANY SURPLUS
MONEY, THE MONEY WILL BE DEPOSITED INTO THE SUPPENOR COURT TRUSTFUND AND ANY PERSON CLAIMING THE
SURPLUS, OR ANY PART THEREOF, MAY
FILE A MOTION PURSUANT TO COURT
RULES 4:64-3 AND 4:57-2 STATING THE
NATURE AND EXTENT OF THAT PERSON'S CLAIM AND ASKING FOR AN ORDER DIRECTING PAYMENT OF THE SURPLUS MONEY. THE SHERIFF OR OTHER
PERSON CONDUCTING THE SALE WILL
HAVE INFORMATION REGARDING THE
SURPLUS, IF ANY.

The approximate amount of the Judgment to
be satisfied by said sale is the sum of
\$534.408.38, together with the costs of this
sale.

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

Newark, N.J. January 23, 2009
Armando B. Fontoura, Sheriff
ZUCKER, GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN,
ATTORNEY(S)

1-908-233-8500, FCZ-96256
Belleville Times 2547618
Fee \$77.37

SHERIFF'S SALE
SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 09000259
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY,
CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY,
DOCKET NO. F 1292508
CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC Plaintiff

Fee \$77.37 March 12, 19, 26, 2009

CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F 1292508
CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC Plaintiff
-vsMERCEDES SMITH Defendants
Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises
By virtue of the above stated writ of Execution, to me directed, I shall expose for sale
by Public Auction in SHERIFF'S OFFICE,
ESSEX County Courts Building in Newark, on
Tuesday, April 07, 2009, at one-thirty P.M.
(Prevailing Time)
Commonly known as:
182 CENTRAL AVE
EAST ORANGE, NJ 07018
LOT 68, BLOCK 220
DIMENSIONS: 150,32 FT X 25.57 FT X
150.09 FT X 30.32 FT
NEAREST CROSS STREET: HAWTHORNE
AVENUE
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office of the Register of Essex County.
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CERTIFIED FUNDS IS REQUIRED AT THE
TIME OF SALE.
"SUBJECT TO ANY UNPAID TAXES, MUNICIPAL LIENS OR OTHER CHARGES,
AND ANY SUCH TAXES, THE CURRENT
OR TO THIS SALE. ALL INTERESTED
OR TO THIS SALE. ALL INTERESTED
OR TO THIS SALE. ALL INTERESTED
OR TO THE SALE BY PLAINTIFF PRIOR
OR TO THE SEALE. ALL INTERESTED
OR TO THE SALE BY PLAINTIFF PRIOR
OR TO THE SEALE.

SUBJECT TO CONDUCT AND RELY
UPON THEIR OWN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER OR
NOT ANY OUTSTANDING INTEREST REMAIN OF RECORD AND/OR HAVE PRIORITY OVER THE LIEN BEING FORECLOSED AND, IF SO THE CURRENT
AMOUNT DUE THEREON.

"IF THE SALE IS SET ASIDE FOR ANY
REASON, THE PURCHASER AT THE
SALE SHALL BE ENTITLED ONLY A RETURN OF THE DEPOSIT PAID. THE PURCHASER SHALL HAVE NO FURTHER RECOURSE AGAINST THE MORTGAGOR,
THE WORT AND ANY PART THE BODINTO THE SUPPLUS MONEY: IF AFTER THE SALE
AND SATISFACTION OF THE

sale.
The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn the sale from time to time as provided by Law.
Newark, N.J. February 10, 2009
Armando B. Fontoura, Sheriff
PHELAN HALLINAN & SCHMIEG, PC,
ATTORNEY(S)

Belleville Times 2548887 Fee \$108.64 March 12, 19, 26; April 2, 2009

SHERIFF'S SALE
SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 09000457
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY,
CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY,
DOCKET NO. F1291308
CITIMORTGAGE, INC. Plaintiff

AND ABREU 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 SHERIFFS OFFICE,
Essex County Courts Building in Newark, on
Tuesday, April 14, 2009, at one-thirty P.M.
(Prevailing Time)
Commonly known as:
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LOT 16, BLOCK 534
DIMENSIONS: 100 FT X 25 FT X 100 FT X

DIMENSIONS: 100 FT X 25 FT X 100 FT X NEAREST CROSS STREET: BLOOMFIELD

DIMENSIONS: 100 FT X 25 FT X 100 FT X 25 FT NEAREST CROSS STREET: BLOOMFIELD AVENUE

A full legal description can be found in the office of the Register of Essex County.

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"SUBJECT TO ANY UNPAID TAXES, MUNICIPAL LIENS OR OTHER CHARGES, AND ANY SUCH TAXES, CHARGES, LIENS, INSURANCE PREMIUMS OR OTHER ADVANCES MADE BY PLAINTFF PRIOR TO THIS SALE. ALL INTERESTED PARTIES ARE TO CONDUCT AND RELY UPON THEIR OWN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER OR NOT ANY OUTSTANDING INTEREST REMAIN OF RECORD AND, IF SO THE CURRENT AMOUNT DUE THEREON.

"IF THE SALE IS SET ASIDE FOR ANY REASON, THE PURCHASER AT THE SALE SHALL BE ENTITLED ONLY A RETURN OF THE DEPOSIT PAID. THE PRECOUSE AGAINST THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR, THE NORTGAGOR'S ATTORNEY.

PURSUANT TO 28, U.S.C. SECTION 2410(C), THIS SALE IS SUBJECT TO A 120 DAY RIGHT OF REDEMPTION HELD BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY VIRTUE OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE LIEN: DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY-INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE LIEN: DEPARTMENT OF THE SALE AND SATISED FOR ANY SIRPLUS MONEY: IF AFTER THE SALE AND SATISED FOR ANY FIRM OF THE MORTGAGOR. THE MORTGAGOR'S SATTORNEY.

PURSUANT TO 28, U.S.C. SECTION 2410(C), THIS SALE IS SUBJECT TO A 120 DAY RIGHT OF REDEMPTION HELD BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY VIRTUE OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE VERSUS SANTOS ABREU, DATED SERVICE LIEN: DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY-INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FOR SANTOS ABREU, DATED SEPTEMBER 28, 2007 AND RECORDED COTOBER 11, 2007 IN BOOK 12093, PAGE 490, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,696.02.

SURPLUS MONEY: IF AFTER THE SALE AND SATISFACTION OF THE MORTGAGO THE MORTGAGOR THE

Belleville Times 2557708 March 26; April 2, 9, 2009

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NOTICE is hereby given that Ordinance No. 3195 was adopted at a regular meeting by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the Township of Belleville, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey on February 24, 2009 entitled:

An Ordinance to Amend the Revised Gen-An Ordinance to Amend the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Belleville, Chapter 8-6A, Four Way Stop Intersections Designated.

Kelly A. Cavanagh,
Municipal Clerk
Township of Belleville
Belleville Times 2556767
Fee \$5.84
March 26, 2009

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ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
NOTICE OF ACTIONS TAKEN
AT THE March 5, 2009 ZONING BOARD
OF ADJUSTMENT MEETING THE FOL-TI
LOWING ACTIONS WERE MEMORIALIZED
AS FOLLOWS:
AS FOLLOWS:
AS FOLLOWS:
APPROVED - Application - ZB-2008-10 - 166 Garden Avenue, Fox Hollow Builders for "D" use and Density variances and "C" variances from the zoning ordinance standards regarding rear yards and lot coverage, in or-Roter to construct three two bedroom towns houses was approved.
APPROVED - Application ZB-2008-03 - 337, Little Street, Barry & Rose Hansford for "C" variances from the zoning ordinance standards regarding rear yards, side yards, lot Rocoverage and distance between the house C and garage in order to construct a sun room on the rear of an existing house was approved.
APPROVED - Application ZB-2009-01 11-13 N

proved.

APPROVED - Application ZB-2009-01 11-13 N

Valley Street, Golden Estates, LLC, for a "D" ovariance from the zonling ordinance standards regarding townhouses, along with Preliminary and Final Site Plan Approval and such bulk variances or waivers as may be required to construct eleven townhouse units was approved

pproved.

Michelle A. Dalbo
Board of Adjustment Interim Secretary
152 Washington Avenue
Belleville, New Jersey 07109
March 18, 2009

Belleville Times 2556957 March 26, 2009

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LEGAL NOTICE

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