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POWER OF THE PENNY

Belleville School No. 8 nurse Jennifer Alvarez presents Jessica Orr of the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society with a \$1,599 check. Students collected Pennies for Patients for the society. "These students serve as an example to all of us through their commitment to helping others," Orr said. See additional picture on page 9.

Proposed tax averages \$84 more

BY RICHARD DICKON
of Belleville Times

The Board of Education passed a final \$60.8 million 2009-10 school budget on Monday night by one vote, four to three, that contains a tax increase of \$84 for a home assessed at the township average of \$312,459.

The tax increase number is down \$24 from the amount contained in the budget introduced two weeks earlier and more than \$100 from numbers first announced, according to Interim Superintendent Melindo Persi.

The tax increase was reduced several ways, officials said. One way was by trimming \$500,000 from the capital improvement budget and using nearly \$1 million in additional state aid for tax relief, Persi said. The budget also moves \$200,000 from the budget surplus account, which stands at \$628,000 but is recommended by state officials to be as high as \$1.1 million, according to Board Administrator Edward Appleton.

The beginning of a pre-school program has been abandoned by the state and will not be part of the budget, Persi said.

Also, savings are supposed to be garnered by having all high school and middle school summer school consolidated at one location, which will be the high school, reducing the amount spent on administration, according to Persi.

Three board members voted against the spending plan, including Board President Joseph Longo, the first time that has happened in at least 15 years. Board members Arlene Schor and Carmen Bucco also voted no. Board Vice President Bill Freda and board members William Villano, Vincent Strumolo Jr. and Eric Schwartz voted yes.

Longo, who said he supports the budget, said he voted no to try and compel Schor to explain why she raised so many questions about the budget in a work session. Schor said she has always asked a lot of questions during her six years on the board, one as board president.

Bucco said he felt there were "other things and places where we could've cut that would have lowered the tax increase." He said he did not want to discuss specific areas where he thought cuts could

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March 30

■ A burglary and theft were reported to a vehicle at 1:53 a.m. The victim said their green Ford was parked in the 40 block of Honiss Street. The victim said the vehicle was parked at 10:45 p.m. the previous night. The driver's side window was smashed to gain entry. A global positioning system unit valued at \$165 was reported missing.

March 29

■ Police arrested and charged Tommy Vo, 39, of Belleville with driving while intoxicated and refusing a Breathalyzer test at 7:17 p.m. A report was made to police that a black, four-door Toyota hit a curb and that the driver had nearly fallen down exiting the vehicle. Police said when they arrived they smelled alcohol on the suspect's breath. Police said the suspect then failed several field sobriety tests and was placed under arrest. He refused a chemical breath test,

police said.

March 28

■ A burglary and theft were reported to a vehicle at 8:42 p.m. A silver, four-door Honda Civic was parked in the parking lot at Three Guys Pizzeria, 345 Franklin Ave. The victim said they parked the vehicle at 11 a.m. and returned to find the passenger side window pulled halfway down. A number of scratch-off lottery tickets, an envelope containing \$200 and a bottle containing a prescription pain killer were all reported stolen, police said.

March 26

■ Police arrested and charged Michael Leng, 29, of Belleville with driving while intoxicated and careless driving at 11:25 p.m. After responding to a report of a motor vehicle accident in the 70 block of Chestnut Street near Moore Place, police said they found a black Chevrolet Blazer on its side on the lawn of a residence, with the sus-

pect still inside. Police said the suspect was slurring his speech, and there was a strong odor of alcohol. Police said the suspect failed several field sobriety tests and was placed under arrest.

■ A burglary and theft was reported to an apartment in the 250 block of Branch Brook Drive at 9:16 p.m. The occupant said they returned home to find that the front door of the residence had been kicked in, and the apartment ransacked. Reported missing was a laptop computer valued at \$900.

March 25

■ Police arrested and charged Gray Cortes, 41, of Belleville with disorderly conduct at 10:19 p.m. After responding to a report of a female yelling and screaming in the street in the 110 block of Mill Street, police said they arrived to find the woman appeared to be intoxicated and told them she had a fight with her live-in boyfriend. Police then left when there appeared to be no more problems. They were soon called back to the scene, and police said the woman then jumped onto the hood of the police car, screaming profanities.

■ Police arrested and charged Dennis Steiles, 41, of Belleville

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CONTRACT

Company suing over alleged irregularities

BY MICHAEL GARTLAND
Special to the Times

ny did not respond to a request for comment.

Bergen County spokesman Bri-

A Prospect Park-based printing company is suing the Bergen County freeholder board, alleging that it wrongfully awarded a contract to a rival company, which is based in Belleville.

'My clients think [Bergen County] just didn't want to award them the bid for some unknown reason.'

Bobby Kasolas
Attorney
Envelopes and Printed Products

In a lawsuit filed in Hackensack Superior Court two weeks ago, Envelopes and Printed Products Inc. accused the county of choosing the Symphony Printing Co. of Belleville to supply stationery, even though Symphony offered a higher bid than two competitors.

State Superior Court Judge Richard Donohue granted EPP a temporary restraining order March 17 so the bid could be reviewed in court. Donohue is expected to decide Monday who should get the contract, which is worth about \$100,000 and would last two years.

Bobby Kasolas represents EPP and described the county's decision as imprudent. He said the county would save about \$10,000 by going with EPP, which has done work for the county for about four years.

"My clients think [the county] just didn't want to award them the bid for some unknown reason," Kasolas said. "Whether that reason is personal or something else, we don't know at this time."

Representatives from Sympho-

ny did not respond to a request for comment. According to the lawsuit, EPP had to demonstrate to the county that it could make orders to its printing company online without its computers being hacked. A representative from EPP met with the county's information technology department last December to do that, but according to the suit, a county employee told them that EPP's Web site was not secure.

When the EPP representative offered to prove that the company's site was secure, a county employee told that representative to leave, according to the lawsuit.

Kasolas contends that the security system offered by EPP is comparable to that of Symphony.

"Something else is obviously going on here, especially in this economic climate," Kasolas said. "Them not wanting to save the taxpayers of Bergen County money on any bid ... it seems very questionable to me."

The lawsuit implies that Symphony may have violated a non-collusion affidavit.

"It appears that collusion between certain of the county's representatives in the Purchasing Department and Symphony may potentially have taken place," the lawsuit said.

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Councilman Notari satisfied with deductions

BY RICHARD DICKON
of Belleville Times

Specifics about the attempts to trim department budgets in order to reduce the municipal tax increase were shared by one township council, although the actual tentative 2009 municipal budget will not be introduced until later this month.

Fourth Ward Councilman John Notari had promised not to support any further temporary budgets unless he saw "significant" cuts to full budget. He now says such reductions have been made to his satisfaction, and he supported the temporary budget introduced at the March 24 council meeting.

"I have seen significant cuts," Notari said. The run down was given as follows:

- A \$55,000 reduction in the township clerk's office budget
- A \$5,500 cut in the health department budget

■ A total of \$53,000 trimmed from the recreation department budget

■ A cut of \$63,000 from the code enforcement department budget

■ A reduction of \$18,000 from the planning department

■ A \$55,000 cut from the department of public works

In the police and fire departments, four positions created by persons leaving either through retirement or some other form of attrition were lost in the police department, and five such positions are gone in the fire department.

Notari called the losses "the same as layoffs."

Township Manager Victor Canning 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, Canning said, which

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included the township's auditors report and decisions by the council on a capital outlay budget, a part of spending focused on fixing and repairing infrastructure not included in the operating budget and not affecting the tax rate.

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

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 taxpayers.

While official numbers are not yet ready for discussion, Council-

man 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.

The school budget public hearing and adoption took place on Monday (see related story on page 1).

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.

Canning said tough decisions

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

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Wilson Martino warms up this week during a recreational league practice at the Municipal Stadium complex in Belleville.

STADIUM

Council still blocks recreation soccer

BY RICHARD DICKON
of Belleville Times

Officials delayed a decision on whether to allow recreation soccer to use the main Municipal Stadium field at least until this week, when a decision on the feasibility of placing a synthetic turf field may finally be known.

Meanwhile, work is continuing to make sure all recreation sports fields are ready for spring games and promises are being made that a new stadium concession stand will be finished by mid-May.

The township council has tabled a request received from the Belleville Soccer Association for permission to use the stadium football field on Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays from March 29 to June 13.

What do you think?

Give your opinion about the fields situation in our weekly poll at www.thebellevilletimes.com.

Township Victor Canning at first recommended that the council agree to allow fencing to be placed at the sight and to seed the field so it will grow out in time for football season.

First Ward Councilwoman Marie Strumolo Burke disagreed, saying that one bad rain storm will undo the efforts.

"It will rain and it will flood again, and in two days it will be wrecked again," Burke said.

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SCHOOLS

BHS student makes All North Jersey Regional Choir

BY RICHARD DICKON
of Belleville Times

Dorces Cruz has attained a high honor for a young vocalist, and took the opportunity of being honored to laud all involved in Belleville High School's successful musical that was performed last weekend, while describing the nerve-wracking process of trying out for the regional chorus.

She is in the concert choir and spring musical, "Jesus Christ Superstar," among a myriad of extracurricular activities, many involving music.

Cruz described her successful audition for the All North Jersey Regional Choir as seeming like anything but a winning moment in her very self-critical eyes.

"I had such nerves, and I was shaky," so when her choir director

told her she made it, she was surprised.

Cruz said she had to learn several long pieces in a short time.

"I came home thinking that was the worst audition, and the next day my choir director said, 'Congratulations, you made it,' she recalled. "But it was fun."

The fun came during five rehearsals for seven pieces, each lasting from 5 to 9 p.m. a night.

"I was able to meet so many girls from around northern New Jersey," Cruz said. "It was fun, and a privilege, and I thanked my choir director. It took a lot of time, and I really appreciate everything."

Cruz then said she was proud to be part of the spring musical, which was staged on March 27, 28 and 29 at BHS' auditorium. She played the role of Mary Magdalene in the iconic early 1970s musical.



DALE MINCEY/BELLEVILLE TIMES

Belleville High School's Dorces Cruz says she was surprised to make the cut for the All North Jersey Regional Choir.

CORRECTIONS

The Belleville Education Foundation was repeatedly referred to as the Belleville Education Association, beginning in a page 1 story in last week's Times. The foundation is an independent entity and in no way connected with the Belleville teacher's union.

Also, Belleville School District Athletic Director Karen Fuccello's name was misspelled in a page 7 story in last week's Times.

'Dear Doctor'

Clara Maass Medical Center is asking people to recognize outstanding physicians by participating in the "Dear Doctor" campaign. Letters are due April 30. They can be e-mailed to dear-doctor@sbhcs.com or mailed to Dear Doctor, 1 Clara Maass Dr., Belleville, NJ 07109.

Administration thinking outside the box

Recently, school administrators were paired with students for an entire school day, to try and get a feel for what a typical student's school day entails. Along with what might be expected, some questions about facilities also came up.

Interim Superintendent Melindo Persi said Monday night that he found out about problems he was unaware of before spending the day with a student. First, there was the overcrowded lunchroom. He said it was so bad that students were stacked up against the room's back wall, and anyone wishing to go back for dessert had to wait on a long line.

Persi also said that his impression of study hall was not favorable. He said that he did not see much studying going on, and that the period more closely resembled detention, with students simply marking time.

Now, these things may not be a revelation to an average high school student. Persi's attention to what he saw supplemented other administrator's more positive comments about how well students navigated the hallways in the short amounts of time they had in between classes.

Most of the students said they were glad that an administrator was able to see how many challenges they face on a daily basis. Persi said he expects a similar exercise to take place at the middle school in the next couple of months.

What this all means is that the current administration is thinking outside the box and looking for new and unique ways to find out what students' needs and problems are. Many residents complain about the cost of salaries for top administrators, and it is right to question each and every position in the district. That is especially true during the

current dire economic circumstances, when every penny in taxes hurts residents more than ever.

In Belleville, however, administrators have shown over the past several years that they are doing everything possible to justify their higher salaries. Everything from performing arts to vocational programs to elementary school special projects show administrators and the teachers who work for them are going the extra mile for students.

School board members have been saying for years that good things are happening at Belleville schools.

Thanks in part to the guidance of top administrators, anyone paying attention has seen that this is indeed true.

Silver Lake will miss 'most caring, quiet' gentleman

No, this is not an April fool's joke. I'm back. First, let me thank my husband Charlie for "taking over the reins" and doing an admirable job. But I am raring to go, so I will get started.

What a sad day for Silver Lake. Michael Averna of Belmont Avenue died on March 1. Michael was born in Newark and was a lifelong resident of Belleville. He worked as a heart telemetry technician for Morristown Memorial Hospital for 15 years, retiring in 2008 when he took ill. He was a retreatant of the Loyala Retreat House in Morristown for 20 years.

My husband and I have known



LIFE IN SILVER LAKE
MARIE STRUMOLO BURKE

Michael for many years and found him to be the most caring, quiet and overall good person. When he was young, he worked for Charlie as a cab driver at Franklin Taxi. One of his loves was gardening. As you came down Belmont Avenue, you would see him busily working away in his garden.

Since Michael had a green thumb, I would take some tips from him on how to grow sunflowers. Of course, the ones that I planted never grew. So, I asked him if he could come to my house and show me how.

Since my yard is all concrete, he planted the seeds in big pots. And like magic, in a few months those beautiful yellow sunflowers appeared. After the first year, the job was Michael's. Now I guess the job is mine.

One thing I know for sure is that I will never forget Michael because every time I plant the seeds I will think of him.

Condolences to his wife

Carmella and his loving sisters Mildred Bucco, Flo Mariani, Rosalie Averna Louzeiro, Sandra Averna and the late Charles Averna. Michael was a devoted son to the late Rose and Charles Averna.

Now that Michael is in heaven, he can show the angels how to grow beautiful sunflowers. And to you, My Sunflower Man, rest in peace. We love you.

We Silver Lake ladies are awaiting the English Tea at the Main Library on Washington Avenue on Sunday, May 3, at 2 P.M. The girls are busy trying to find the prettiest hats for the

occasion. Also on May 16, there will be a book sale at the library.

And remember, we love Silver Lake.

Editor's note: The Times welcomes back Marie Strumolo Burke to the Life in Silver Lake column. Burke is a Belleville Township councilwoman. Should she run for public office again, the Times would ask her to discontinue her authorship during the campaign. This page is open to anyone with an opinion. For consideration of a guest or frequent column, contact Editor Owen Proctor at proctor@northjersey.com.

LETTERS

TO THE EDITOR:

Let me begin by saying that the intersection of Terry and Stephens streets definitely needs a four-way stop.

It is funny to find that things have not changed since we moved from 66 Terry St. in 1966. Our family moved into that address in the early 1950s and has always been concerned about the speeders on Terry Street coming up from Main Street.

When we lived at that address, speeders would hit the hump across Terry Street so hard they would become airborne and land

in front of our house. If it happened during the night, the loud sound would wake us up. It sounded like an explosion.

We were waiting for the day that a vehicle would plow into our family vehicle parked on the street, but luckily it never happened. Sometimes, we would laugh knowing that the driver probably had damage to the undercarriage of their vehicle and would never do that again. Tough lesson learned.

We live in Las Vegas, Nev., where there are many streets with four-way stops, and I have to say

they are welcomed. Driving through intersections is safer, and lives are worth so much more than the cost of a few signs.

It's been more than 12 years since we visited Belleville and drove around our old neighborhoods. We noted that it was diffi-

cult to cross many streets, as visibility to look both ways is very poor. Most Las Vegas streets are wide, but many, many Belleville streets are narrow with poor visibility to check both ways to proceed safely.

So, Councilman Nicosia, May-

or Kimble and Manager Canning, here is your additional information.

We might move away, but we never really leave home.

Paulette Fischer Juryn
Las Vegas, Nev.

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While pictures don't have to be of professional quality, they should be in focus, not too dark, and the subject(s) should be distinct and plainly visible. Anyone in the pic-

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Villano says goodbye after 12 years

BY RICHARD DICKON
of Belleville Times

William Villano, who has spent a dozen years making decisions on the education of Belleville public school students, is leaving his school board slot to concentrate on pursuing his own education.

At Villano's final meeting Monday night, he talked about his past dozen years and his plans for the near future.

Villano said that fellow board member Arlene Schor's extensive background in education "pushed me to go back and finish my degree."

He said one of the lessons he has learned in the past decade-plus is that anyone can still achieve goals no matter what their age. The 1976 Belleville High School graduate is employed by Hoffman-LaRoche,

but said despite his accomplishments in his career, he still strives for self-improvement.

"It's been three years that I've been back in school," Villano said, joking that, "I might be 90 when I finish."

He said he has learned about achieving against difficult odds from watching Belleville sports teams and the marching band, and most especially through his experiences as a special needs person.

"I have been a special education advocate," Villano said. "Special education does not mean you lower the bar, or the standards, you just have to be given different tools."

He said he has no problem with the special needs classification, but said his family, especially his mother and brothers, "never lowered the bar."

Villano said that no matter what a child's needs are, some things remain universal.

"You can still nurture, you can sit with teachers, join PTOs," Villano said. "I can't tell you how many summer programs I went to. But at the end of the day, you still have to stand on your own two feet."

When it comes to spending money for special needs students, Villano repeated an approach he has spoken of many times.

"You can pay for it now, or for the rest of a child's life," he said. "You can make them a productive member of society. I have been able to give back to my town."

School board members and Marge Franco, with whom he co-founded the Belleville Pride Olympics, all lauded him.

Bad economy hits home?

BY RICHARD DICKON
of Belleville Times

One longtime auto dealership was about to close its doors this week, while a local drug store's parent company filed for bankruptcy, leaving some question as to the future for both employees and customers.

Elite Ford, a staple of the north end of Washington Avenue for decades, was almost shut down as of Tuesday. One of the last employees on the scene, who asked not to be identified, said the parts and services department had been closed for weeks and employees left were just waiting for the remaining vehicles to be transported to other dealerships.

The nearest Ford dealership may now be Fette Ford on Route

46, the employee said.

Shiny new Fords set on a lot pocked with pot holes and an old Elite Isuzu sign from more than five years ago was still visible out front. The employee said the dealership had between 50 and 60 employees at its height, and an undetermined number were from Belleville and surrounding towns.

Meanwhile, Drug Fair, which acts as the anchor store for the strip mall at the corner of Franklin Avenue and Joralemon Street, had a cardboard sign up for customers stating, "This store is still open."

An employee, who did not give her name, said the store will continue operating, but could not say if or when the store would be closed or change hands.

Management at the Drug Fair was not available for comment.

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Specifics on school uniform plan are outlined

BY RICHARD DICKON
of Belleville Times

The specifics of a school uniform plan mandated for middle and high school students are out, and are similar to those that began for elementary school students this year.

The uniforms, required beginning in September, have the following requirements for grades seven through 12:

■ The uniform is to be navy blue pique tops, short or long sleeves, with tan bottoms. This includes slacks, skirts or walking shorts. Skirts are to be knee length and no cargo pants are allowed

■ The middle school logo must appear on all paraphernalia and must be that of the district

■ The high school logo must be on all paraphernalia and must be that of the Buccaneers

■ Gym shorts, tops and sweats are to be navy blue with the appropriate logo

■ "Hoodies," or hooded sweat-shirts, are not allowed

■ A sweater must be navy blue with a zipper or button front with

the appropriate logo

■ Shoes follow the existing district policy

Vendors are to be available at specific times in the schools to accept orders and to provide information.

The vendors are to offer complete packets of clothing for sale. The vendors are Atlantic Uniforms, Nutley Print Company, Uniformity and World Wide Gear.

Questions about the policy can be directed to the office of Interim Superintendent Melindo Persi at 973-450-3500, ext. 3446, or melindopersi@belleville.k12.nj.us.

Officials recently addressed complaints that some parents simply can't afford to pay for uniforms and their children should not be penalized for that.

School officials continue to say that elementary school uniforms are popular with parents.

Questions were previously raised about help for parents who cannot afford to buy uniforms, whether less expensive shirts without the Belleville logo were acceptable and whether other clothes could be worn on monthly school

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pride days and on two days a week when students have gym.

The uniforms are now required for all students, kindergarten through grade six.

The plan was to offer parents an opportunity to go to different locations throughout the township to purchase the proper clothing, to

accommodate people in all sections of town.

The district distributed a survey to parents regarding school uniforms, and officials said more than eight out of 10 parents favored the change.

After a concerned parent brought up the subject in October,

school board members and the administration came up with the survey.

One survey per parent was sent home, and they were numbered but anonymous. One side of the survey card was in English and the other side in Spanish.

The survey asked parents whether they favor uniforms, how many children they have, and in what grades their children currently are.



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Woman's Club of Belleville hosting 'Shop into Spring'

The Woman's Club of Belleville will be holding its annual fundraiser, "Shop into Spring," at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 2, at the Chandelier in Belleville.

The organization is celebrating its 87th year of service to the Township of Belleville. Its members include teachers, business owners, professionals, retirees, homemakers and mothers.

The club supports charities including scholarships for students

at Belleville High School, an annual poetry contest for grades 5 through 8, the Safe House, Belleville Public Library and the Battered Women's Shelter.

Tickets are \$30 per person, which includes a full-course dinner. The cost per table for vendors is \$25.

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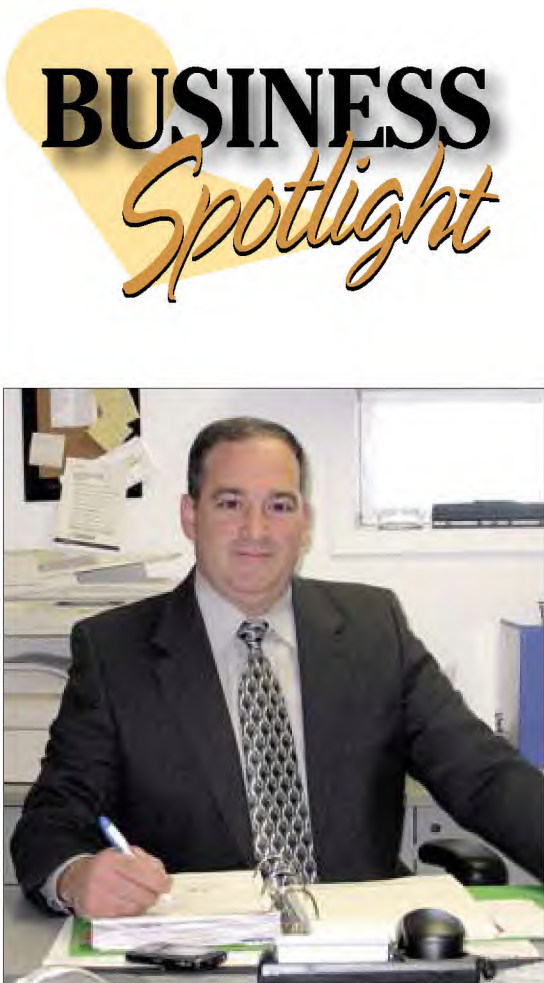
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Belleville's Unico chapter offering monthly bus trips to Atlantic City

Belleville Unico is sponsoring a series of bus rides to Atlantic City. Trips usually include coin returns, food coupons, and food and entertainment on the ride to and from a casino. Upcoming Atlantic City bus rides are scheduled for April 19 and May 17. Stay tuned for more details or call 973-429-2818 for more information. Unico, which means unique in Italian, was founded in 1922 in Waterbury, Conn., to create an Italian American service organization to engage in charitable works, support higher education and perform patriotic deeds, according to the organization. In the ensuing years, Unico became an acronym that stands for Unity, Neighborliness, Integrity, Charity and Opportunity.

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Tom shared one change he has experienced "When I started in the auto mechanic and servicenter field, customers would utilize vacation time for repairs. Today my customers can't afford to, or may not be willing to take time off from work to service their vehicle."

To accommodate the evolving needs of customers J&N has expanded their repair hours until 9pm on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and expanded Saturday hours until 5pm. "This allows my customers more flexibility for their personal schedules

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Tom's longevity at J&N and within the service business can be attributed to his enjoyment of working with the public and his gratification of helping others. His philosophy is not only to provide fair trustworthy service for his customers but also for J & N to be a community friendly business that supports local charities and township fundraisers, sponsoring local town sports teams on all levels, and employing students through Nutley High School's Work Program.

Tom personally has been an active member in many local charitable, civic and youth organizations of the Nutley community for more than 25 years. He is currently Coach and Vice-President of 7th and 8th Grade Boys Recreation Basketball League, Chairman of the Bruce Gallagher Memorial Scholarship Foundation,

Chairman of the Babies with AIDS Foundation, which he co-founded, and Treasurer of the Nutley Invitational Golf Tournament, to name a few.

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Project to expand into Belleville

BY RICHARD DICKON
of Belleville Times

The township will benefit from a road resurfacing program that is supposed to end in Nutley, but will now continue into Belleville. The Essex County Community Development Block Grants program has earmarked funds to complete resurfacing of Franklin Avenue. Working with the Morris County Cooperative program, which aims to save money by joining towns to complete projects, the CDBG funding will now be extended south from the Nutley line.

The new end line for the road resurfacing will be Joralemon Street in Belleville, according to Township Manager Victor Canning.

"It will be paved over a 10-day period coming up," Canning said. "It's a good thing for us."

Belleville has already received \$722,650 to help complete road improvements and façade improvements, the money coming from CDBG.

Canning said that this latest development continues a trend where the county has been good to Belleville in recent years.

Township officials remain hopeful of getting additional county money to help build a turf field, where the Municipal Stadium grass field is continuously damaged from overuse (see related story).

The township received grant money for the reconstruction of Baldwin Terrace, \$286,000; reconstruction of Homes Street \$47,150; the ongoing Community Economic Redevelopment Program Façade Program \$50,000; reconstruction of Main Street \$339,500; for a total \$722,650,

according to county officials.

The Holmes Street amount is less, Canning said, because the town already has state money to cover most of costs, and the CDBG money makes up the rest.

The other list of streets earmarked for reconstruction in the township's CDBG application were: Salter Place, Magnolia Street, Minker Place, Springer Street, Howard Place, Garden Avenue, and Ralph Street, in all cases the entire length. Then there is Overlook Avenue, from Union to Washington Avenue. Those projects were not funded.

Other projects not funded but requested by the township council included renovations to the Municipal Stadium Field, the stadium stands, construction of a community center, and the Washington Avenue Streetscaping Phase VII, from Rutgers to Academy Street.

Beginning in 1974, the CDBG program is one of the longest continuously run programs at the federal Department for Housing and Urban Development. The program provides communities with resources to address a wide range of unique community development needs, according to officials. For example, it assists with homeownership, housing rehabilitation, public improvements, public services, and economic development projects, officials said. Every dollar of the CDBG program invested in communities is leveraged by three dollars in private funding. Annual grants are based on a formula basis and provide to local governments and states.

There is no guarantee that every request will be granted by the program, according to officials.



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Actor Ian Murphy as Father Flynn finds himself between the forceful Sister Aloysius (played by Jacqueline Schreiber, left) and an idealistic young nun (played by Annie Racsko).



Actresses Brigitte Barnett (left) and Jacqueline Schreiber rehearse a scene involving a student's mother and Sister Aloysius in Nutley Little Theatre's upcoming production of "Doubt."

Don't hesitate to see 'Doubt'

Nutley Little Theatre will open its next production, the compelling John Patrick Shanley drama "Doubt," on Friday, April 17 at 8 p.m. at the NLT Barn, 47 Erie Place, Nutley.

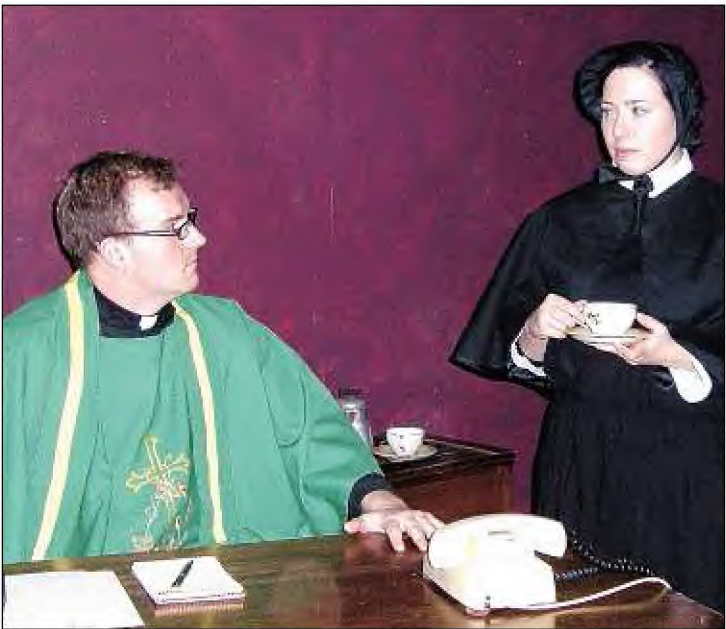
"Doubt" is a lean, powerful drama that won Shanley a Pulitzer Prize and was recently released as a major motion picture.

It tells the story of Sister Aloysius, a Bronx school principal who takes matters into her own hands when she suspects a priest of improper relations with a young male student.

Evening performances will be held April 17, 18, 24, 25, 26, 30 and May 1 and 2, all at 8 p.m. Matinee performances at 2 p.m. are scheduled for April 19, 25 and 26. Tickets are \$15. The opening night performance will benefit Angels for Animals, an animal rescue group.

Directed by Penny Potenz Winship of Montclair, the cast includes Jacqueline Schreiber of Parsippany, Ian Murphy of Weehawken, Annie Racsko of Pompton Plains and Brigitte Barnett of Brooklyn.

Alex Oleksij of Nutley is the stage manager, Kirstan Anschuetz of Montclair is assistant stage manager, and Kay Koch of Jersey City is the production assistant. Lee Guest Moore of Glen Ridge is lighting designer. Marisa Robertazzi of Nutley is set designer, and Elyse Halloran of Somerset is technical director. Pat LaRocco of Fair Lawn is costumer. Joe Ribaudo of Bloomfield is sound designer and



Ian Murphy (left) as Father Flynn rehearses a scene with Annie Racsko in Nutley Little Theatre's upcoming production of "Doubt."

score composer.

Nutley Little Theatre has engaged SmartTix.com to handle ticket sales by phone and through the Internet. Patrons can still order by phone by calling a new number: 1-877-238-5596.

To order online, patrons can visit the NLT Web site www.nutleylittletheatre.com and click on the "Click for Tix" icon, or go directly to www.SmartTix.com.

Tickets for Nutley Little Theatre productions are \$15. Discounts are

available for senior citizens and students.

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

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'Arts stimulus' package offered

Everyone is well aware of how 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 time.

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.

BloomfieldArts.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 free.

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, it's more than worth it."

4th Wall is presenting the play "Avow" by Bill C. Davis on April 2 (tonight), 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 Company (MDTC) will be at Westminster April 17 and 18 at 8 p.m. to celebrate 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 sig-

nature style of dance/story theater adaptations. Flamenco takes the stage with special guest artist Antonia Messina and her Viva Flamenco Dance Company. The Saturday night, April 18, performance is included in the arts stimulus package.

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 groups.

Westminster Arts Center is located on the Bloomfield College campus at the corner of Franklin and Fremont streets in historic downtown Bloomfield. Reservations can be made by calling 973-748-9008, ext. 279 and mentioning the Arts Stimulus package.

— Visit the Web site www.bloomfield.edu/westminster for more information.

Off-Broadway bound show previews April 7

Noted actress Kathleen Cogan will perform highlights from her latest one-woman show, "Vatican II: What the Hell Happened?" on Tuesday, April 7 at the Women's Club of Glen Ridge. The event begins with a luncheon at 11:30 a.m., followed by the performance at 1 p.m.



Kathleen Cogan

Currently touring and slated for an off-Broadway run, the show has been tickling funny bones nationwide and charming audiences of all faiths.

Cogan has been delighting audiences for many years with her quick-witted acting and comedic timing; examples include the off-Broadway smash hits "Late Night Catechism" and "The Vagina Monologues."

This zany, heartfelt comedy about growing up Catholic in New Jersey already has critics cheering: Jeffrey Bruner of the Des Moines Register calls her new show "hilarious" and reports that "Christians, non-Christians and even atheists will find plenty of laughs in 'Vatican II.' And Catholics, well, they'll laugh so hard their stomachs will hurt."

The 50-minute performance, followed by a meet and greet with the actress, are free for Women's Club members and \$5 for non-members, payable at the door. The catered luncheon, for which advance reservations are necessary, is \$23 for members and \$25 for non-members.

For more information or to RSVP, call 973-748-5459 or visit the Web site www.womensclub-glenridge.com. Checks can also be mailed to the Women's Club of Glen Ridge, 219 Ridgewood Ave., Glen Ridge, NJ 07028.

NLT to host 'Lonesome West' auditions in April

Nutley Little Theatre has scheduled auditions at the NLT Barn, 47 Erie Place, Nutley, on Sunday, April 19 and Monday, April 20, at 7:30 p.m. both nights for its June production of the Irish comedy-drama "The Lonesome West."

Evening performances are scheduled for June 12, 13, 19, 20, 25, 26 and 27. Matinees are planned for June 14, 20 and 21. Additional dates may be added within this range.

Rehearsals for the production are set to begin immediately after auditions.

"The Lonesome West" is directed by Jacqueline McElroy-Poquette of Westwood. The cast requires two men in their 30s to 40s – both of whom must be sufficiently agile to simulate fighting and wrestling on the floor; a man in his 30s; and a woman about 20.

The third in Martin McDon-

agh's "Leenane" trilogy (along with "The Beauty Queen of Leenane" and "A Skull in Connemara"), this hilariously dark Irish play depicts the shocking and violent goings-on in the "lonesome" far Western Irish town of Leenane. A Tony Award nominee in 1999 for Best Play and Best Actor in a Play, it features two battling brothers and a priest driven to despair over his inability to resolve their differences or any of the recent unsolved murders in his parish.

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Comedy cabaret a dual effort

A comedy cabaret featuring the 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 featured on the E! Television/Style 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.

Showstoppers

Showstoppers is a new 10-member musical theatre cabaret troupe developed by the New Jersey School of Dramatic Arts.

Directing them is Corinna Sowers-Adler, with over 10 years' experience as a performer, director, vocal coach and acting teacher in the professional theater world. From its inception, she served as theatre director for the Wilkes University Conservatory.

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.

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ARRIVALS



Isabella Iannitelli

A first child, a daughter, Isabella, was born to Jordan and Tiziano Iannitelli of Nutley on March 13, 2009, at Hackensack University Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces, and was 19 inches long.

Phyllis and the late John Florie of Nutley.

Paternal grandparents are Annamarie and Antonio Iannitelli of Bloomfield.

Great grandparents are Dolores and Rocco DePersio of Nutley.

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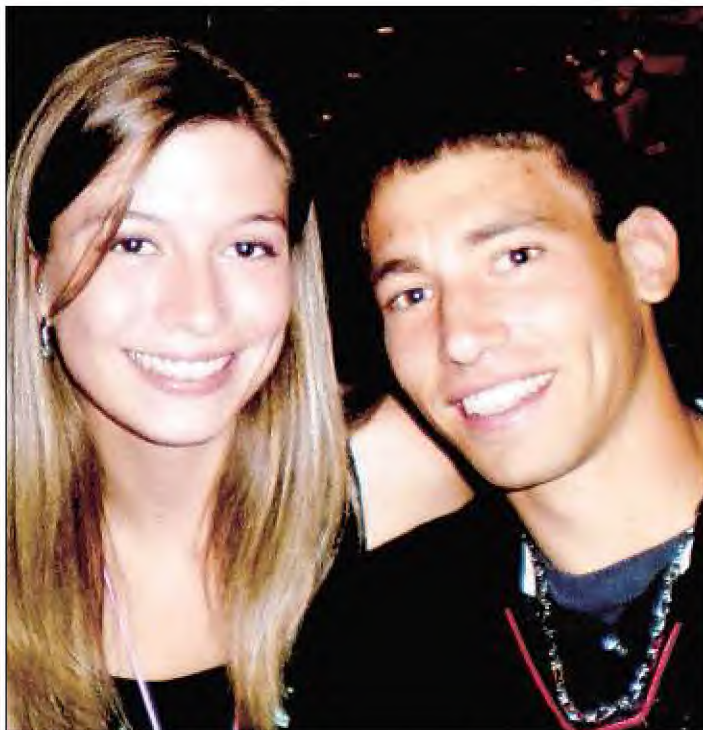
A third child, a daughter, Jillian Marie, was born to Janice and Charles Petretti of Bloomfield at 1:40 p.m. Jan. 23, 2009, at St. Barnabas Medical Center in Livingston. She weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces, and was 19.5 inches long. She joins her sisters Amelia, 4, and Catherine, 2.

Maternal Grandparents are Lorraine and Bill Palmé of Jackson.

Paternal Grandparents are Pat and Charles Petretti Sr. of Monroe Township.

Godparents are Carolyn Perkins of Fairhaven, and Anthony Martelli of Freehold.

ENGAGEMENT



Elizabeth Tretola to wed Paul Petrangeli

Margaret Tretola of Bloomfield announces the engagement of her daughter, Elizabeth Tretola of Dunellen to Paul Petrangeli of Dunellen, son of Judy and Angelo Petrangeli of Morrisville, Pa.

Miss Tretola, formerly of Bloomfield and daughter also of the late Clifford D. Tretola, is an alumna of Bloomfield High School, East Stroudsburg University where she obtained a bachelor's degree in secondary education social studies, and Montclair

University where she obtained a master's degree in social science and education leadership. She is a teacher at Bloomfield High School.

Mr. Petrangeli is a graduate of Pennsbury High School. He is a land surveyor with Control Point Associates.

The announcement was made at a family party at their home.

The wedding is planned for Aug. 9, 2009.

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RECIPE

Cheesecake

8 ounces pot cheese (ricotta)
2 - 8 ounce packages of cream cheese
2 cups granulated sugar
6 eggs
6 tablespoons flour
1 pint sour cream
1 teaspoon vanilla

Blend pot cheese and cream cheese in mixer. Add sugar and eggs, one at a time. Beat until smooth.

Add flour, sour cream and vanilla.

Grease cake pan (9 x 13 x 2 inch) and put in another pan half filled with water.

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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.

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Also anyone who has adopted animals from the shelter and has a "happy tail" to tell, could send an update on the animal and a photo to basanimals@yahoo.com.

Solar energy not lost on township

BY RICHARD DICKON
of Belleville Times

After a resident questioned township officials on the future of solar energy in Belleville, the township manager and the resident talked about possibilities.

Victor Edmonds said he was putting panels on his house that he expects will bring savings while reduce pollution.

Township Manager Victor Canning told Edmonds at the March 24 public council meeting that he has recently had several meetings with different companies about "going green." One company, the name of which he declined to mention, is working on an incinerator that produces "zero carbon" while producing energy.

"There are grants available out there from PSE&G and other companies," Canning said. "We are definitely looking at solar panels."

He said that once the municipal budget process is completed, he would look at "rededicating" existing capital improvement funds left over from other projects. The money will be used to purchase solar-powered vehicles for employees who travel only around the township to complete their jobs, Canning said.

"We're looking to save on waste, and generate money," he said. "Anything that we think will be beneficial, we will adopt."

While he said he could not speak for Board of Education

efforts on going green, he had one suggestion.

"The way that Belleville High School is designed, they would be nuts not to look at trying solar panels," Canning said.

In neighboring Nutley, Board of Commissioners and Board of Education members are working on an inter-local agreement to bring renewable energy to the township's schools and municipal buildings.

Among the plans is have the school district have students and staff monitor the energy consumption of their individual schools as a part of Green Teams.

Officials compared the inter-local energy plan to the beginning of town-wide recycling in the 1970s, estimating that the eventual goal is to save a million in township funds a year, something Bayonne has accomplished. This will lead to greater budget control by freeing money that would otherwise be set aside for energy bills, officials said.

Reporter Meghan Grant contributed to this article.



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High hopes again for boys' volleyball

BY MIKE LAMBERTI
for Belleville Times

Despite just playing four seasons of varsity competition, the Belleville boys' volleyball team has quickly established itself as a legitimate program in northern New Jersey.

Ed Saggio's Bucs began the 2009 campaign yesterday against Newark East Side. The Bucs will visit Clifton this afternoon and host Barringer tomorrow, with both of those matches at 4 p.m. On Saturday, the team will compete in a round robin tournament at Bloomfield, and next Monday the Bucs travel to Teaneck before hosting Passaic on April 8. The Teaneck and Passaic matches also start at 4 p.m., while the Bloomfield Tournament begins at 10 a.m.

Saggio came to Belleville in 2005 to start the boys volleyball program. His reputation as a program builder in the sport was well established prior to his arrival and his outstanding knowledge and ability to develop players was evident early on. He also got his players into the deep end of the pool so to speak, by opting not to play a J.V. schedule in '05.

Belleville is 61-42 in its first four seasons. It was 5-12 in 2005, 10-11 the following year and 20-11 and a finalist in the 2007 Essex County Tournament (ECT). Last year, the Bucs finished a marvelous 26-8.

They advanced to the semifinals of the ECT and won a game in the state tournament before being eliminated by Clifton.

This year's team will have a number of new faces, according to the coach. "With the exception of Rudy Hernandez, we lost all of our starters from last year's team to graduation," Saggio said. "It's pretty much a brand new team, but it's not like in 2005, where we were establishing a program from scratch. Back then, we didn't have a lot of height in our lineup. Now, we do, and that's why I'm very encouraged about what I've seen so far."

While the Bucs will be a force on the front line, Saggio is concerned about the passing game, something that was key to Belleville's success the past two years.

"Learning to pass in volleyball isn't easy, but it can be taught," Saggio said. "You can't coach a kid to be taller, but you can teach passing. And from what I've seen from the beginning of practice until now, we've already shown a lot of progress."

Hernandez, a senior, will be one of Belleville's outside hitters, as will Nate Droz, a 6'3" senior who has excellent leaping ability. "If we can pass those two guys the ball, we've got a chance to be pretty good,"

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Bucs' golfers ready for good season in '09

BY MIKE LAMBERTI
for Belleville Times

The Belleville golf team has a good mix of seniors and underclassmen who hope to make the 2009 season a successful one.

The Bucs opened the season yesterday against Ridgewood, and will take on Nutley this afternoon at Hendricks Field in Belleville, starting at 4 p.m.

Junior captain Andre Amparo, who averaged 43 over nine holes last season, should pace Belleville. Amparo's younger brother, Emil, is a freshman who should also be a factor on this year's team. Also expected to be a key contributor is senior Simeon Knafo.

"Andre and Simeon both have decent long games," Belleville coach Lucille Cerreto, who will be assisted by Jerry Ross this year, said. "Andre has been consistently in the low to mid 40s and Simeon should also be in the low 40s this year. I also like what I've seen from Emil in his first year on the varsity. He's been playing the game for a while and seems comfortable."

Michael Barbosa, a junior, has also been effective and can shoot

in the mid- to high-40 range. Joshua Pinker is a returning junior who has shown steady improvement. Senior James Murgueytio has varsity experience from 2008, and is working on lowering his scores and seeing more action. A-Mit Bansal, a senior out for the first time, should also vie for a starting position.

Belleville has been practicing four days a week at either Hendricks Field, Forest Hill Country Club or the Willowbrook Driving Range. The team has been working on correcting swing flaws, distance control for the short game, bunker play and putting. A typical practice consists of playing nine holes in a group, with a coach. During a practice session, the team discusses strategy for playing particular holes, club selection for shots and other aspects of the mental approach to golf.

"We'd like to finish .500, or better this year," Cerreto said. "Ridgewood is a very good team, so we'll get a good test to start the season. During the (spring) vacation week, we'll practice more and try to get our short game strategy in place."



PHOTO BY MIKE LAMBERTI

Belleville boys' crew coach Jeff Lahm (center) is flanked by his four team captains. From left to right are Canberk Nacir, Juan Taco, Wolfgang Hiller and Ankit Kushwaha. The rowers opened the regular season at the Flicks in Philadelphia last Sunday.

New shell dedication on Saturday

BY MIKE LAMBERTI
for Belleville Times

The Belleville crew team had a good weekend at the Manny Flick races on the Schuylkill River in Philadelphia.

This Saturday, the Bucs will be home to dedicate a new shell at its boathouse on the Passaic River in North Arlington. The ceremony begins at 11 a.m. and is open to the public. On April 11, the team is hoping to race at the Passaic Sprints on the Passaic River, but the scheduling format hasn't been completed as of press time.

"The shell is being dedicated to someone who made a big contribution to Belleville High School

crew," coach Jeff Lahm said. "Obviously, we know who that person is, but we want it to be a surprise, so we're withholding the name until the ceremony."

As for last Sunday's race at the Flicks, Belleville saw plenty of good competition. There were 435 entries from 69 schools and seven states. It was also the first time Belleville had raced its novice shells this year.

The boys' novice eight of Elvis Tapia, Joel Rodriguez, Adam Hamden, Antonio Santiago, Giancarlo Ramos, William Peralta, Enrique Rodriguez, Kevin Lopez and coxswain Will Soto finished fourth. The girls' novice eight also fared well, taking fifth.

That shell featured Christina Delisanti, Pria Desai, Stephanie Rodriguez, Alejandra Alomar, Katherine Reyes, Nicole Hernandez, Leticia Tejera, Briana Flores and coxswain Audrey Abreu.

The boys J.V. 8, J.V. 4 and varsity 4 shells each finished fifth.

The girls J.V. 8 took fifth in its first race of the year. That team featured Sheri Tom, Mikki-Jo Bayawa, Kriczet Dante, Alexandria McNish, Sarah Aristizbal, Kasia Szekalska, Mona Elmiligi, Daisy Urgiles and coxswain Gopi Patel. The girls J.V. 4 finished a close second and had the second fastest time of the 16 boats that raced.

Under Salese's guidance, boys' team hopes to continue its winning way

BY MIKE LAMBERTI
for Belleville Times

Thirty-one years ago, the Belleville High School boys' tennis program was established under the direction of coach Mike Pollard.

For many years, the program struggled to find an identity as Pollard, and later Len D'Armiento, worked hard to lay the groundwork for success. For nearly 20 years now, Tony Salese has coached the team, and over the past six years the program has established a winning tradition.

Salese is hoping that will continue this season. The Bucs took their first step of the 2009 campaign yesterday, facing Ridgewood. Tomorrow the Bucs will host Nutley in a 4 p.m. match.

"I like what I've seen from this year's team," Salese said. "The kids

have been playing hard and we've had some good competition for the starting varsity positions."

Salese credits the program's ascent since 2003 to the establishment of a J.V. program.

"It's really helped, because know we have kids playing on the lower levels," Salese said. "By the time they are ready for varsity competition, they've had the experience of playing high school level tennis. Donna Richardi is our J.V. coach, and she's had some good players to work with."

Last year's team finished 16-6, which marked the fifth straight season it qualified for the NJSIAA tournament. Belleville has also excelled on the individual level at the states by fielding a singles player and doubles team as well.

"It's a three step process at the states," Salese said. "You hope to qualify as a team, and this year we

need to be at .500 or better by April 28. Then, you hope that a singles player and/or doubles team can also qualify. We've been fortunate enough to have all three the past five years."

Michael Bayada, Russell Garcellano and Rob Ramirez are in contention for the three singles positions. There are five players, Justin Dy, Karan Raja, Stephan Daray, John Valdez and Gerald Gutierrez, vying for the four open positions on the two doubles teams. As of Monday, Salese hadn't determined the starters, since the players were still competing in ladders to establish the lineup.

Belleville got a good test last week when it faced Madison in a scrimmage. Ironically, Madison's coach is Pollard.

"Madison has a good team," Salese said. "I thought we held our own against them."



PHOTO BY MIKE LAMBERTI

LOOKING OUT FOR NUMBER ONE

Belleville's Chris Judge (center), flanked by assistant coach Mike Mignone (left) and head coach Joe Sorce (right), was named captain of the 2009 varsity baseball team. Judge is expected to be the team's number one pitcher this season.

Lamberti to enter HOF

North Jersey Media Group freelancer Mike Lamberti will be the first writer ever inducted into the Region 4 Wrestling Hall of Fame.

Lamberti has covered wrestling and many other high school sports in northern New Jersey for the last 34 years. He is being inducted based on his sports coverage in local papers, including the *Glen Ridge Voice*, *Nutley Sun*, *Bloomfield Life*, and *Belleville Times*.

The induction ceremony will take place at the region's dinner at The Chandelier in Belleville on April 8.

Fun Run steps off on May 3

The Nutley Chamber of Commerce will host its 11th Annual 5K Fun Run through town on May 3 at 9 a.m.

The athletes range in age from 7 to 80. Every full paid 5K-registered runner is a winner, taking home a T-shirt, medallion and goodie bag stuffed with special promotional items from sponsors and runner's products suppliers. This is a USATF-NJ certified event and a 500-point Grand Prix event.

Younger runners can register for the Fun Run quarter-mile around the outside of the Oval (\$5 or free with full adult registration.) Nutley Elementary School students can also register for \$5 to run/walk the entire 5K and earn points for their Mayor's Fitness Exercise Log.

Registration forms can be found at the chamber office, located at 299 Franklin Ave., rear entrance; Nutley Town Hall; Nutley Free Public Library and Nutley Parks and Recreations. Participants can also download the application at www.active.com, www.runner-world.com, www.compucore.com or www.nutleychamber.com.

There is no parking on Vincent Place on the day of the race. For more information, contact the chamber at 973-667-5300 or chamber@nutleychamber.com.

Seniors prep for softball

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In addition to a day of golf, players enjoy brunch, a cocktail and awards dinner reception, a 50/50 raffle and a silent auction.

Sponsorship opportunities and journal participation are available. Golf registration begins at 10 a.m. and festivities continue until 8 p.m. Tickets are \$650 per person or \$2,500 per team of four.

Cost includes golf, lunch, cocktail, and dinner reception.

To register or for more information call Clara Maass Medical Center Foundation at 973-450-2277 or visit www.claramaass-foundation.org.

VOLLEYBALL

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Saggio said.

Dean Saporito will line up in the middle, while natural left-hander Julian Rodriguez will play the opposite.

Freshman Luigi Zanoria will be

the setter.

"We had good scrimmages against some of the better teams around, like Eastern, Old Bridge and St. Peter's Prep," Saggio said. "I thought we did pretty well against those teams and showed some potential in our passing game. I'm looking forward to the start of the season."

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As we are faced with plummeting investments and unsteady job markets, many of us are feeling the effects of the recent economic crisis. In fact, recent studies found that more than 80 percent of Americans rank money and the economy as significant causes of stress. And while chronic stress can lead to a host of health problems, including a weakened immune system and increased blood pressure, it can also take its toll on periodontal health. If left untreated, periodontal disease may result in even more serious, and potentially expensive, health complications.

Drs. Harry Harcsztark, Richard Ekstein and Boris Alvarez of The Smile Center in Kearny believe that stress may interfere with good oral hygiene. In a recent study by the Journal of Periodontology, 56 percent of participants self-reported that stress led them to neglect regular brushing and flossing. In addition,

the hormone cortisol may also play a role in the connection between stress and gum disease. Chronic stress is associated with higher and more prolonged levels of cortisol; previous research has found that increased amounts of cortisol in the bloodstream can lead to a more destructive form of periodontal disease.

Reducing stress in an effort to avoid gum disease may not only help sustain overall health, but it might also help your pocketbook as well. A study published a year ago found that preventing periodontal disease may be one way to help lower your total health care expenses. In the study, patients with severe periodontal disease had 21 percent higher health care costs as compared to those with no periodontal disease. Severe periodontal disease (periodontitis) involves bone loss and diminished tissue attachment around the teeth. And since past

research has shown that periodontal disease may lead to other serious health conditions, striving to maintain oral health may help diminish the need to incur additional health care expenses, and ultimately help reduce overall health care spending.

In these stressful times, The Smile Center is encouraging its patients to pay even more attention to their teeth and gums. And since preventing gum disease may help reduce overall health care expenses, maintaining a healthy mouth may actually be a stress reliever in itself.

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Nasal rinsing promotes free breathing, nasal health

In recent years, more and more American families have turned to home-based, complementary remedies to manage basic health needs. In fact, an estimated 38 percent of adults and 12 percent of children use some type of complementary and alternative medicine, according to a recent survey by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. One example of this growing trend is nasal rinsing, an ancient technique that has been practiced for centuries in India and other parts of South Asia and is now gaining popularity in Western

culture. A traditional Ayurvedic and yogic technique, nasal rinsing originated from the yoga practice of Jala Neti, which means "water cleansing." The practice is designed to clean and hydrate the nasal passages to promote free breathing and overall nasal health.

With every breath, we inhale particles such as dust, allergens, germs, smoke, dander and pollutants. The nose acts as a natural air filter, protecting the body from these impurities. However, many particles remain in the nasal and sinus pas-

sages and can potentially cause irritation. During nasal rinsing, a saline water solution is inserted into the upper nostril while the head is tilted, flushing out impurities not naturally filtered out by the nose.

"Nasal rinsing is a simple technique to cleanse nasal and sinus passages while helping you to breathe freely. While it may seem complicated for beginners, today there are products that make it easier than ever," says Dr. Mary Jo DiMilia, an internist at Mount Sinai Medical Center in New York.

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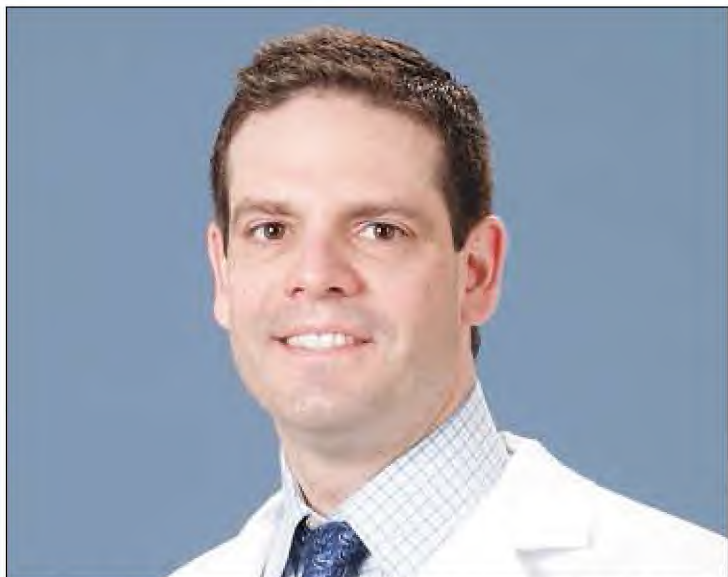
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Job Haines Home introducing T'ai Chi Chih classes for seniors

T'ai Chi Chih for health and well being was originally developed in China as a self-defense strategy, or martial art, but is now practiced primarily as a gentle exercise technique. This form of exercise is a system that uses slow, smooth body movements to achieve a state of relaxation of both body and mind.

T'ai Chi Chih has both physical and mental benefits. If done regularly, it improves muscle tone, flexibility, balance and coordination, and can expand creativity and awareness. Many seniors find that it boosts their energy, stamina and agility, sharpens their reflexes, and gives an overall sense of well-being.

This free program will be held at Job Haines Home, 250 Bloomfield Ave., Bloomfield on Monday, March 9. The program will run from 10 to 11 a.m., and the next programs will be

held on April 6 and 20.

Light refreshments will be served. RSVP to: Dee Dee Randolph, activities director, Job Haines Home, 973-743-0792, ext. 119.

Woodworking is a handy way to keep mind sharp

When most people think of woodworking they see flannel shirts and sawdust, not brain cells and neural networks. And while that may never change, more people are recognizing the craft as a way to keep the mind sharp.

As we get older, our minds change. Brain mass shrinks, the number of neurotransmitters – chemicals carrying messages between brain cells – tends to

decrease and most people's ability to process information gradually slows. That doesn't make us powerless to act, however.

A hobby like woodworking, which stimulates the mind through complex measurements, visualization and creative problem solving, can have significant positive effects on the aging brain.

In fact, according to Dr. Paul Gilbert, a psychology professor at

San Diego State University, most brain researchers now agree that regular mental exercise can help maintain cognitive ability in old age.

Gilbert adds that woodworking, in particular, challenges the mind in a number of helpful ways. "Problem solving and planning, visual and spatial functioning, rotating an object in your mind to figure out how parts might fit together.

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Lejnieks to lead mentoring organization

BY ELIZABETH OGUSS
Special to the Times

As a teenager, Carlos Lejnieks, now 32, thought maybe he'd quit school. The world in which he was coming of age was a difficult one. His parents were both immigrants. After his father left, his mother cleaned houses to support Carlos and his brother, and it was a struggle to afford living in Montclair.

His mother was strong and loving, "but there was this element that was present, that drew us to question whether we wanted to stay in school."

Lejnieks had started a small business and was making money. Nothing illegal, but he saw "the lure" of money and liked being able to help his mother, despite her pleas to him to stay in school.

Then two adults spoke to him

and because they weren't relatives their words had a power that tuned-out parental voices can't have. They told Carlos to stay in school.

Lejnieks graduated from Brown University and the London School of Economics, went on to work at Goldman Sachs and other firms, and later still, served as a policy adviser to the governor of New Jersey. Lejnieks tells the story not to bask in his own success, but to show why his work now is "a deeply personal calling," one he considers "vastly urgent."

Lejnieks [a Latvian name that rhymes with brainiacs] considers himself lucky. But he thinks kids should have something more solid to rely on as they make their way to adulthood, and he's going to help provide it.

Last year, he was named the executive director and chief executive officer of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Essex, Hudson & Union Counties.

Lejnieks' arrival marked a new beginning for the agency. For some time, Rose Cali, a Montclair resident who for several years had been head of Big Brothers Big Sisters of New Jersey, the fundraising arm for the state's local agencies, wanted to get involved in direct service and was working to expand the Newark agency to encompass a wider region. In January 2008, BBBS of Essex, Hudson & Union Counties came into being.

"Right now there's a lot of start-up feeling around what we're doing," Lejnieks said. The agency has a dynamic new staff, two former governors sit on the advisory board, partnerships have been established with Montclair State

About Big Brothers Big Sisters

Big Brothers Big Sisters is the largest youth mentoring organization in the United States.

Big Brothers was established in New York in 1904, and around that time, Catholic Big Sisters began working with girls. The two organizations joined forces in 1977.

BBBS sponsors one-to-one relationships between caring adults and children ages 6 to 18.

Studies of the program have shown that children who are mentored are less likely than their unmentored peers to begin using drugs or alcohol, skip school, or to hit others.

Could you be a Big for a Little? Could you be a positive adult in the life of a child?

You don't have to save him or her; mentors are only a part of what Lejnieks calls "the bigger mix" that supports the child. And you become a friend.

Mentors may be individuals or couples, and may specify age, demographic, and geographical preferences.

Children and parents or guardians are screened. Mentors' references are checked and mentors receive training. Matches are proposed based on common interests as well as input from parents and teachers,

and confirmed at a supervised meeting of mentor and child.

All parties sign a contract that sets forth responsibilities and boundaries. The time commitment is four hours a month for one year, but most mentors continue well beyond that.

BBBS managers stay in regular contact with mentors, children, and parents, and provide mentors with ongoing training, guidance, and ideas for activities.

There is no financial responsibility, but mentors are expected to provide transportation for their little brother or sister. Mentors are not required to spend money on the child they mentor. Gifts, if given, must be small.

"It's the simple free things that mean the world for our kids," said Lejnieks.

Said Hussan Peavey, who has mentored a boy for three years, "[Mentoring] brings a personal value back to myself. It means a lot to me to be able to give back. Hopefully, something I say to my Little sits right in his heart and allows him to make a good decision in the future."

Peavey, the father of a 2-year-old, said, "I'm touching the future today through Big Brothers."

"We're inspired by what's going on in our politics today, but now it's on us locally to implement that inspiration, manifest that good intention, that good energy ... in tangible, actionable ways," Lejnieks said. "I honestly feel there's no better way to invest our time than with children who need and want mentoring."

Lejnieks' five-year goal is to address 10 percent of the 66,000 kids in the three counties who are considered at risk. If successful, his agency would be one of the largest in the country.

"But it's still just 10 percent of what we would expect would be the demand for our work," he said.

To do that work, Lejnieks said, BBBS needs "a philanthropy of money, and a philanthropy of time." The average annual cost of a mentor-child match is \$1,200. Lejnieks wants the big donors, of course, but he's also looking to raise money the Obama way: many small donations adding up to serious amounts.

As for the philanthropy of time: BBBS needs mentors.

"It's four hours a month for one year," Lejnieks said, giving the bare bones of the commitment.

But mentors tend to do more. Once they get to know their little brothers and sisters, four hours becomes eight or 10, and the year becomes 18 months.

Or even longer. Hussan Peavey, 33, drives to Newark from his home in Somerset County to continue seeing the little brother he's been mentoring since 2005.

Peavey, an East Orange native, knows what it's like to grow up in a large family of limited means. But his little brother, now 13, is being

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reared by his grandmother, and his parents' difficulties distract him.

"Kids that age just try to figure it out on their own," Peavey said. "They have energy and excitement that's not focused, so they try to connect with anything. It can be positive or negative."

Peavey's little brother is getting close to the age when, "if you make certain decisions, you can't recover. We talk about what we need to be doing right now to set us up for success in the future," Peavey said.

Lejnieks is relying on people to roll up their sleeves and support the important work of mentoring kids whose parents are well-intentioned but lack the networks, connections, and community to help their children succeed.

He's relying on people to step up and form the kind of relationships with those kids that enable the mentors to say, as Peavey does when making introductions, "This is my little brother."

BUDGET

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be made.

Schor questioned many areas of the budget, including the use of instructional time by some school staff members. One specific disagreement she said she had was the creation of the position of supervisor of testing, research and evaluation, which Schor said will cost the district more than \$150,000 in the 2009-10 budget.

She said that while the number of staff members holds steady in the budget at 597, that includes the supervisor of testing, research and evaluation created this year. Schor said she has taken a stand against adding new administrative positions, and the board backed off the hiring of a supervisor of physical education after Schor called the position unnecessary in the current economic downturn.

Salaries and benefits for staff dominate the budget as always, accounting for nearly 80 percent of spending. Salaries have risen by

\$1.7 million this year and benefits rose 11 percent, Appleton said.

Persi said that leaves little room to address what he said are the district's weaknesses. The first is technology, where Persi said lease/purchase agreements may be the only way to improve computers and other technologies.

School facilities, which are old, are a weakness that cannot be addressed because of budget constraints, Persi said, citing an example of classroom instruction taking place in hallways as showing that schools are overcrowded.

Next, student achievement was cited as a weakness. Persi said even though test scores have improved for some schools, more needs to be done. He once again cited a plan to concentrate on literacy and math skills in grades kindergarten through grade two as the most aggressive step being taken next year to improve scores.

Finally, Persi cited the need for more and better professional development of staff members, especially teachers, as a weakness. He compared the need for

improvement to a mechanic, who has a full set of tools to deal with any situation that arises.

Persi's PowerPoint presentation showed that nearly 50 cents of every dollar is spent on classroom instruction.

The tax levy portion of the budget accounts for 54 percent of the budget, while the state supplies most of the rest in aid, roughly 43 percent, according to the presentation.

Per pupil spending for the district remains among the lowest in the county and the state, at roughly \$10,000 per student, Persi said.

Resident Vincent Frantantoni was the only member of the public to speak on the budget. He questioned how taxes could be rising when the district has gotten more than \$6 million in additional aid in the past two years, most of it coming last year, when the tax increase was zero and full-day kindergarten was begun.

The budget will go before voters on April 21, the same day they select two school board members for three-year terms.

BLOTTER

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with disorderly conduct at 8:49 p.m. After police responded to a report of a male exiting through a window of a residence in the 10 block of Cuzzo Street, they said they arrived to find the suspect appearing to be highly intoxicated. He continued to curse and yell at police, and was arrested, police said.

March 23

■ Police arrested and charged Daniel Cahill, 57, of Morristown with possession of seven envelopes containing heroin at 3:13 p.m. The suspect was arrested after police said he was seen walking near Main and Mill streets and then took off running when he saw police. Police said he threw several items out of his pockets as he ran, all of which were recovered and discovered to contain heroin.

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“During these trying times for families, when so many people are losing their jobs and their health insurance coverage, it’s my hope that these discount cards will make the prescriptions people rely upon more affordable,” said Caputo, whose legislative district includes Belleville, Bloomfield, Irvington and parts of Newark.

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Family center looking for advocates

Volunteer advocates are needed for nursing home residents in Essex, Hudson, Morris and Union counties. The Bergen Family Center, under contract with U.S. Department of the Public Advocate, Division of Elder Advocacy, Office of the Ombudsman, conducts the program.

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STADIUM

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Mayor Raymond Kimble then suggested that the council wait until after the week of March 30 to decide, with the hope that engineering reports on the fitness of the soil for placing a turf field may be finally known.

"Let's find out if we're getting a turf field," Kimble said. "If we are, let's let them play."

At-Large Councilman Kevin Kennedy has consistently said of the soccer teams, "Let's let them play."

As for the township's remaining baseball fields, Canning said the necessary preparatory work is being done. "We've been raking, and putting down new clay," he said. "Our crew is out there along with the board of ed guys. The biggest problem now is that we need rain or we'll be going into drought scenarios."

Second Ward Councilman Steven Rovell has continued to push for the fields to be ready, along with the timely construction of a new concession stand at municipal stadium.

Canning told Rovell, "We should be laying the foundation (for the concession stand) in the next couple of weeks. From there, the stuff has been ordered and as it comes in, we should have it finished in the middle of May."

With the township having secured more than \$200,000 that may be used toward the installation of a synthetic turf field at Municipal Stadium, Kimble said all decisions about the field depend on soil testing to see if the turf project is feasible.

Canning has said that the money coming in could be used to rehabilitate the existing field if it is determined that the turf field will

not work on the swampy stadium dirt. He said the \$200,000-plus would be "in the ballpark" to redo the field, he said.

Burke said she understood that the soil test borings were done and "look very good," and that if the town can get any money from Green Acres, it can install the turf field.

Belleville plans to use \$225,000 for open space preservation from the county as the first piece in the puzzle to spend more than \$1.5 million for new synthetic turf for the stadium's main field.

Belleville's piece of the \$5 million county pie is to be combined with as much as \$400,000 to \$500,000 from the county Community Development Block Grant program and hundreds of thousands in grants through the state Green Acres open space program.

The county money was announced as part of an economic stimulus package unveiled by County Executive Joseph DiVincenzo.

With the new turf, Canning has said he agrees that if the township can garner different grant monies, it would be "a home run," and the township would gladly pay the difference.

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

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

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

BUDGET

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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 also said he would look at eliminating unnecessary vehicles for township employees.

Second Ward Councilman Steve Rovell has spoken specifically about 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 to cut. Canning said he speaks with department heads daily about the progress of those cuts.



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OBITUARIES

Mary Morrone

Mary Morrone (Luzzi), 94, a lifelong resident of Belleville died Friday, March 27, 2009 at Clara Maass Continued Care Center, Belleville.

Mrs. Morrone was an assembler for Westingtonhouse Corp, Belleville.

She is survived by her husband of 70 years, James Morrone; her son James Morrone, Jr. and his wife Marion, her brother Louis Luzzi, her grandchildren Jimmy Morrone and his wife Kathy, Joey Morrone and his wife Natalie, and Jill Schulte and her husband Bernie, and her four great grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her brother Albert Luzzi, and her sister Ellen Zigarelli.

Funeral from the S.W. Brown & Son Funeral Home, www.swbrownandson.com 267 Centre St., Nutley was Monday, March 30 with the funeral Mass at Holy Family Church in Nutley.

Interment followed in Crest Haven Memorial Park in Clifton. Visiting hours were Sunday, March 29 at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the charity of your choice in her memory.

Anna Marie Liloia

Anna Marie (Vogel) Liloia, 87, of

Belleville, died Thursday, March 26, 2009 at the home of her son.

Born in Bonnots Mill, Mo., she lived in Newark before moving to Belleville 60 years ago. She had been an office manager for Dr. Michael P. Liloia, DDS. Mrs. Liloia was a graduate of the St. Paul School of Nursing, St. Louis, Mo.

The beloved wife of the late Michael P. Liloia, DDS, she is survived by her children Suzanne Fuehrer, Michael Liloia and his wife Joanne and Dr. Peter Liloia and his wife Patricia, her grandchildren Michael Liloia and his wife Allison, Patrick Liloia, Joseph Fuehrer and his wife Jennifer, Lori Fuehrer, Jamie Knott and his wife Crista and Eric Knott and her great-grandchildren Gabriella, Ryleigh, Logan and Jaeden. She was predeceased by her siblings Helen Prior, Katherine Stout, Mildred Vogel, Patricia Noonan and Carl Vogel.

The funeral was Monday, March 30 from the S.W. Brown & Son Funeral Home, (www.swbrownandson.com), 267 Centre St., Nutley, with a funeral Mass celebrated at St. Peter's Church, Belleville. The entombment followed at Holy Cross Cemetery, No. Arlington. Friends were received at the funeral on Sunday, March 29. Memorial contributions to the St. Barnabas Hospice & Palliative Care Center would be appreciated.



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We discover how much determination and strength it takes to keep the promises we make. Promises to ourselves to encourage one another by being present at worship and open to helping those in need.

In these days of hardship rem-

iniscent of the early 1930's, help us to remember that a voice of warning is not necessarily a voice of doom.

Recently, I read a true story of a father who had given his son permission to cross the field to observe a noisy bulldozer near the railroad tracks. The boy stood on the rail so he could see the bulldozer better. They were awaiting the 6:15 p.m. train arriving from Detroit. They had quite a while to wait.

As the father watched from afar, he saw an unscheduled freight train coming down the tracks. He yelled to his son, but the bulldozer was too loud and the small railroad crossing had a

silent signal.

The father runs across the field but realizes he'll never make it in time. He "freezes" at the impending doom. At the very same time the boy turns, sees the locomotive and calmly steps off the tracks to watch the train go by.

Wow! The voice of warning is not always a voice of doom. Maybe it's a promise and/or a blessed assurance.

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Bethany Lutheran Church

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isters healing oil to all interested worshippers during prayers following each worship service. This brief, special practice is held at Bethany on the first Sunday of every month directly after the regular 9 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. worship services. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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

Christ Episcopal Church

Local food drive

Christ Church has announced a food drive to replenish and restock the pantry of The Mary and Martha Soup Kitchen. Gifts of non-perishable items are needed to keep up with the demands of the soup kitchen which now serves meals each Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from noon to 1 p.m. Individuals and organizations wishing to make contributions of canned goods or financial gifts are asked to contact the parish at 973-751-0616. Volunteers are also

always needed to maintain the soup kitchen's ongoing operations. Persons wishing to volunteer are asked to phone the parish.

Triduum observances

Christ Church has announced its schedule of services for the observance of the Triduum or "Three Days." 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 the Christian faith. All of the other services of the church's calendar find their core in these three services.

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 7:30 p.m. From this time until the following evening the Sacrament will be reserved at the Altar of Repose in the Lady Chapel. A prayer vigil will be held throughout the night and continue 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 be held on Friday, April 10 at 7:30 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.

Christ Church is an inclusive community church in the Anglican tradition, located at 393 Washington Ave., between Joralemon and Essex Streets, in the township of Belleville. For more information you may call the church at 973-751-0616.

Wesley United Methodist Church

Rummage sale

There will be a rummage sale on Friday, April 3 and Saturday, April 4 from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Wesley United Methodist Church, 225 Washington Ave., Belleville (across from the Public Library).

There will be household items, clothing, books, toys, movies, games, and more.

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.

Holy Family Church

on the first Saturday of the month. All are welcome.

Rosary Society

The Rosary Society recites the Rosary after the 8:45 a.m. Mass

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

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HAPPENING THIS WEEK...

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

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.

Comedy show, on Tuesday, April 7. The performance starts at 1 p.m., and luncheon will be at 11:30 a.m. at the Women's Club of Glen Ridge. Noted actress Kathleen Cogan will perform highlights from her zany, heart-felt comedy about growing up Catholic in New Jersey. Currently touring and bound for Off-Broadway, Ms. Cogan's latest show already has theater critics and audiences of all faiths cheering (see link below). The 50-minute performance of highlights is free for Women's Club members and \$5 for non-

members and may be paid at the door. The catered luncheon, for which advance reservations are necessary, is \$23 for members and \$25 for non-members. Call 973-748-5459 or visit www.womensclubglen-ridge.com to make online reservations and learn more about the show or mail checks to The Women's Club, 219 Ridgewood Ave, Glen Ridge, NJ 07028.

EVENTS AND FUNDRAISERS...

Traveling Friends, Inc. events, to host several events throughout April, including a dinner and the show "Behold the Lamb" on Thursday, April 16. The dinner takes place at Shady Maple Smorgasbord in Lancaster

County, Penn. The show takes place at the Sight & Sound Millennium Theatre, Lancaster, Penn. Bus leaves Nutley at 7 a.m. and Bloomfield at 7:15 a.m. A third event includes a three-hour cruise around Manhattan and an afternoon touring the new Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum on Saturday, April 25. Bus leaves Bloomfield at 8:45 a.m. and Nutley at 9 a.m.

There will be a trip to Peddler's Village in Lahaska, Pa., and shopping in Flemington Saturday, May 2. Peddler's Village in Lahaska, Pa. every spring hosts a Strawberry Festival. You can buy berry treats and shop at specialty shops. Across the road in Penn's Purchase, a factory outlet village. We'll spend the afternoon at Flemington's Liberty Village Factory Outlets. The bus leaves Bloomfield at 8 a.m. The price is \$44 per person.

There will be a Cranbury Inn Dinner Theatre & Historic Princeton event on Saturday, May 9. The Cranbury Inn, in Cranbury, N.J. boasts historic charm and state-of-the-art technology for its dinner theatre shows. The group will see "True Jersey," a wildy funny revue about the Garden State, while we enjoy a meal. We'll also take a walking tour of nearby Princeton. The bus leaves Bloomfield at 9:15 a.m.

For more information, call Traveling Friends at 973-748-

6406.

Mohegan Sun Casino bus trip, April 26 at 9 a.m. departure from Nutley, free buffet at casino, \$10 back in return. There will be six hours of gambling. Call Marie at 973-256-0499.

"9-5" Broadway play, on May 7 at 8 p.m. This is a show-musical/comedy. Orchestra seats are \$110 per person for the Mezzanine seats. Seats are \$99 per person, this includes bus transportation. Call Marie at 973 256-0499.

"Rock of ages" Broadway play, on May 14. This is an 8 p.m. show. Bus transportation and Orchestra ticket is \$99 per person. Call Marie at 973-256-0499 for more information.

South Pacific Broadway play, on June 4. This is an 8 p.m. show. Orchestra seats and bus transportation is \$145 per person. Call Marie for more information 973-256-0499

Jersey Boys Broadway Play, Sept. 23. This is an 8 p.m. show. Orchestra tickets and bus transportation \$99 per person. Call Marie at 973-256-0499.

New Jersey Association of Women Business Owners Essex Dinner Meeting, will be April 21. This will take place from 6 to 9

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P.M. at the Wilshire Grand Hotel, 350 Pleasant Valley Way, in West Orange. New Jersey Association of Women Business Owners (NJAWBO) Essex provides a forum for networking, professional development, and education for women business owners. The program's topic is Profit and Loss Statements and What to Do with Them and will be presented by Alyssa Lebovic, a partner in Keller & Lebovic, CPAs in Fair Lawn; and Brenda Hendrickson, owner of Brenda Hendrickson, CSA in Cedar Grove. Alyssa and Brenda will lead

a discussion to help business owners increase their understanding of the “P&L” statement, and why it is such an important business tool. Drawing upon their decades of professional accounting experience, they will explain how to use the P&L throughout the year to gauge the health of a business, what it's really revealing about the business, and how to interpret and act upon the findings to make the best business decisions. The price for the meeting, which includes the program and a three-course dinner, is \$35 for members and \$45 for nonmembers with advance registration (\$5 more at the door). For reservations,

register online at www.whos-coming.com/njawboessex or contact the NJAWBO Essex Hotline at 973-746-4404 (option 3) by April 19. For more information, email donnaslane@balancedenergywork.com. New Jersey women business owners and those interested in starting a business and all who would like to do business with them are welcomed at meetings of the Essex Chapter of NJAWBO. Every meeting includes ample networking time, and the opportunity for attendees to introduce themselves and talk about who they are and what they do.

Belleville UNICO AC bus ride to the Taj Mahal, on Sunday, April 19. The donation required is \$30, which includes tips. The coin return is \$25 and a \$10 food coupon. A continental breakfast will be at Piano's-formally Hathaway's at 8 a.m. at 36 Broad St. in Bloomfield. The bus leaves on time at 8:50 a.m. Games and 50/50 will take place on the bus. The return trip will include sandwiches, refreshments, and a movie. Call to reserve seats at 973-429-2818. To confirm reservation, follow up with a check. There are no last minute cancellations permitted. Checks should be made payable to Belleville Chapter of UNICO National. Mail checks to

Manny Alfano, 97 Irving Terr., Bloomfield, 07003.

AARP free tax help, at Nutley Parks and Rec. Building, 44 Park Ave., Mondays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. until Monday, April 13.

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


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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 March 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, Municipal Clerk		
An Ordinance to amend the revised general ordinances of the Township of Belleville, Chapter 8-16, Handicapped Parking Spaces. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BELLEVILLE, NEW JERSEY: Section 1: that section 8, schedule 16 of the entitled ordinance is hereby amended by ADD-ING the following locations to be designated as a restricted parking space for use by the person who has been issued an identification card, or special handicapped plates by the division of Motor Vehicles.		
STREET	SIDE	LOCATION
70 Baldwin Place	East	Beginning at a point 49 feet north of the N/E apex of Minker Place and Baldwin Place and continuing to a point 22 feet north thereof;
28 Center Street #2	East	Beginning at a point 118 feet north of the N/E apex of Irving Street and Center Street and continuing to a point 22 feet south thereof;
25 Linden Avenue	East	Beginning at a point 29 feet south of the S/E apex of Essex Street and Linden Avenue and continuing to a point 22 feet north thereof;
192 Passaic Avenue	South	Beginning at a point 39 feet east of the S/E apex of Emmitt Street and Passaic Avenue and continuing to a point 22 feet east thereof;
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Township of Belleville TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE The foregoing Ordinance was introduced at a Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Belleville held on March 10, 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, Municipal Clerk		
"AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE THE POSITION OF MUNICIPAL HOUSING LIAISON FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADMINISTERING TOWNSHIP OF BELLEVILLE'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM PURSUANT TO THE FAIR HOUSING ACT" BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BELLEVILLE, NEW JERSEY: BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the Township of Belleville in the County of Essex, New Jersey that the following amendments be made to Chapter 2, Section 3-9 of the codified ordinances as follows: Section 1. Purpose: The purpose of this article is to create the administrative mechanisms needed for the execution of the Township of Belleville's responsibility to assist in the provision of affordable housing pursuant to the Fair Housing Act of 1985. Section 2. Definitions: As used in this article, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated: MUNICIPAL HOUSING LIAISON - The employee charged by the governing body with the responsibility for oversight and administration of the affordable housing program for the Township of Belleville. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT - the entity responsible for administering the affordability controls of some or all units in the affordable housing program for the Township of Belleville to ensure that the restricted units under administration are affirmatively marketed and sold or rented, as applicable, only to low-moderate income households. Section 3. Establishment of Municipal Housing Liaison position and compensation; powers and duties: A. Establishment of position of Municipal Housing Liaison. There is hereby established the position of Municipal Housing Liaison for the Township of Belleville. B. Subject to the approval of the Council on Affordable Housing (COAH), the Municipal Housing Liaison shall be appointed by the governing Body and may be a full or part time municipal employee. C. The Municipal Housing Liaison shall be responsible for oversight and administration of the affordable housing program for the Township of Belleville, including the following responsibilities which may not be contracted out, exclusive of item 6 which may be contracted out: 1. Serving the Township of Belleville's primary point of contact for all inquiries from the State, affordable housing providers, Administrative Agents and interested households. 2. Monitoring the status of all restricted units in the Township of Belleville's Fair Share Plan. 3. Compiling, verifying and submitting annual reports as required by COAH. 4. Coordinating meetings with affordable Housing providers and Administrative Agents, as applicable. 5. Attending continuing education opportunities on affordability controls, compliance monitoring, and affirmative marketings as offered or approved by COAH. 6. If applicable, serving as Administrative Agent for some or all of the restricted units in the Township of Belleville as described in F below. D. Subject to approval by COAH, the Township of Belleville may contract with or authorize a consultant, authority, government or any agency charged by the Governing Body, which entity shall have the responsibility of administering the affordable housing program of the Township of Belleville, except for those responsibilities which may not be contracted out to sub-section C above. If the Township of Belleville contracts with another entity to administer all or any part of the affordable housing program, including the affordability controls and Affirmative Marketing Plan, the Municipal Housing Liaison shall supervise the contracting Administrative Agent. E. Compensation. Compensation shall be fixed by the Governing Body at the time of the appointment of the Municipal Housing Liaison. F. Administrative powers and duties assigned to the Municipal Housing Liaison. 1. Affirmative Marketing: a. Conducting an outreach process to insure affirmative marketing of affordable housing units in accordance with the Affirmative Marketing Plan of the Township of Belleville and the provisions of N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.25; and b. Providing counseling or contracting to provide counseling services to low and moderate income applicants on subjects such as budgeting, credit issues, mortgage qualification, rental lease requirements and landlord/tenant law. 2. Household Certification a. Soliciting, scheduling, conducting and following up on interviews with interested households; b. Conducting interviews and obtaining sufficient documentation of gross income and assets upon which to base a determination of income eligibility for a low - or moderate income unit; c. Providing written notification to each applicant as to the determination of eligibility or non-eligibility; d. Requiring that all certified applicants for restricted units execute a certificate substantially in the form as applicable, of either the ownership or rental certificates set forth in Appendices J and K of N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.1 et seq.; e. Creating and maintaining a referral list of eligible applicant households living in the housing region and eligible applicant household with members working in the housing region where the units are located; and		

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f. Employing the random selection process as provided in the Affirmative Marketing Plan of the Township of Belleville when referring households for certification to affordable units. 3. Affordability Controls a. Furnishing to attorneys or closing agents forms of deed restrictions and mortgages for recording at the time of conveyance of title of each restricted unit; b. Creating and maintaining a file on each restricted unit for its control period, including the recorded deed with restrictions, recorded mortgage and note as appropriate; c. Ensuring that the removal of the deed restrictions and cancellation of the mortgage note are effectuated and properly filed with the appropriate county's register of deeds or county clerk's office after the termination of the affordability controls for each restricted unit; d. Communicating with lenders regarding foreclosures; and e. Ensuring the issuance of Continuing Certificates of Occupancy or certifications pursuant to N.J.A.C. 4:80-26-10. (4) Resale and rental a. Instituting and maintaining an effective means of communicating information between owners and the Administrative Agent regarding the availability of restricted units for resale; and b. Instituting and maintaining an effective means of communicating information to low and moderate income households regarding the availability of restricted units for resale or rental. (5) Processing request from unit owners a. Reviewing and approving requests from owners of restricted units who wish to take out home equity loans or refinance during the term of ownership; b. Reviewing and approving requests to increase sales prices from owners of restricted units who wish to make capital improvements to the units that would affect the selling price, such authorizations to be limited to those improvements resulting in additional bedrooms or bathrooms and the cost of central air conditioning systems; and c. Processing requests and making determinations on requests by owners of restricted units for hardship waivers. (6) Enforcement a. Securing annually lists of all affordable Housing units for which tax bills are mailed to absentee owners and notifying all such owners that they must either move back to their unit or sell it; b. Securing from all developers and sponsors of restricted units, at the earliest point of contact in the processing of the project or development, written acknowledgment of the requirement that no restricted unit can be offered, or in any other way committed, to any person, other than a household duly certified to the unit by the Administrative Agent; c. The posting annually in all rental properties, including two-family homes, of a notice as to the maximum permitted rent together with the telephone number of the Administrative Agent where complaints of excess rent can be made. d. Sending annual mailings to all owners of affordable dwellings units, reminding them of the notices and requirements outlined in N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.18 (d) 4; e. Establishing a program for diverting unlawful rent payments to the municipality's affordable housing trust fund or other appropriate municipal fund approved by DCA; f. Creating and publishing a written operating manual, as approved BY COAH, setting forth procedure for administering such affordability controls; and g. Providing annual reports to COAH as required. (7) The Administrative Agent shall have authority to take all actions necessary and appropriate to carry its responsibilities hereunder. Section 4. Severability. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence or other part of this Ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance, but shall be confined in its effect to the section, subsection, paragraph, sentence or other part of this Ordinance directly involved in the controversy in which said judgment shall have been rendered and all other provisions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect. Section 5 Inconsistent Ordinances Repealed. All ordinances or parts of ordinances which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed, but only to the extent of such inconsistencies. Section 6 Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final adoption and publication in the manner prescribed by law. Belleville Times 2564622 Fee \$101.76 April 2, 2009		

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SHERIFF'S SALE SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 09000457 SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F1291308 CITIMORTGAGE, INC. Plaintiff -vs- SANTOS 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 SHERIFF'S OFFICE, Essex County Courts Building in Newark, on Tuesday, April 14, 2009, at one-thirty P.M. (Prevailing Time) Commonly known as: 256 CLIFTON AVE NEWARK, NJ 07104 LOT 16, BLOCK 534 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. A DEPOSIT OF 20% OF THE BID PRICE IN CERTIFIED FUNDS IS REQUIRED AT THE TIME OF SALE. *SUBJECT TO ANY UNPAID TAXES, MUNICIPAL LIENS OR OTHER CHARGES, AND ANY SUCH TAXES, CHARGES, LIENS, INSURANCE PREMIUMS OR OTHER ADVANCES MADE BY PLAINTIFF 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/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 MORTGAGOR'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 VERSUS SANTOS ABREU, DATED SEPTEMBER 28, 2007 AND RECORDED OCTOBER 11, 2007 IN BOOK 12093, PAGE 490. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,696.02. 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 \$448,564.33, 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 11, 2009 Armando B. Fontoura, Sheriff PHELAN HALLINAN & SCHMIEG, PC, ATTORNEY(S)		

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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 -vs- NELSON 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) Commonly 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 \$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)		

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SHERIFF'S SALE SHERIFF'S FILE NO. 09000457 SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F1291308 CITIMORTGAGE, INC. Plaintiff -vs- SANTOS 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 SHERIFF'S OFFICE, Essex County Courts Building in Newark, on Tuesday, April 14, 2009, at one-thirty P.M. (Prevailing Time) Commonly known as: 256 CLIFTON AVE NEWARK, NJ 07104 LOT 16, BLOCK 534 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. A DEPOSIT OF 20% OF THE BID PRICE IN CERTIFIED FUNDS IS REQUIRED AT THE TIME OF SALE. *SUBJECT TO ANY UNPAID TAXES, MUNICIPAL LIENS OR OTHER CHARGES, AND ANY SUCH TAXES, CHARGES, LIENS, INSURANCE PREMIUMS OR OTHER ADVANCES MADE BY PLAINTIFF 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/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 MORTGAGOR'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 VERSUS SANTOS ABREU, DATED SEPTEMBER 28, 2007 AND RECORDED OCTOBER 11, 2007 IN BOOK 12093, PAGE 490. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,696.02. 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 \$448,564.33, 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 11, 2009 Armando B. Fontoura, Sheriff PHELAN HALLINAN & SCHMIEG, PC, ATTORNEY(S)		

Public Notices		
Belleville Times 2557708 Fee \$91.80 March 26; April 2, 9, 2009		
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION TOWNSHIP OF BELLEVILLE, NJ MEETING NOTICE The Historic Preservation Commission will hold a work session meeting on Thursday, April 23, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Town Hall, 152 Washington Avenue, Township of Belleville, NJ. The purpose of this meeting is to receive guests from the NJ Historic Preservation Office and the Classis of Passaic Valley and to discuss preservation of historic sites. Mary E. Docherty, Secretary Historic Preservation Commission Belleville Times2562195 Fee \$5.84 April 2, 2009		
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Caregiver Helpline at 1-800-883-1180.

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 Shaffie or Donna Rainone at 450-2210.

We Are Unwritten, a support

group for teens with OCD (Obsessive Compulsive Disorder) meets on the first Sunday of every month at the Women's Club of Glen Ridge, 219 Ridgewood Ave., Glen Ridge, at 6:30 p.m.

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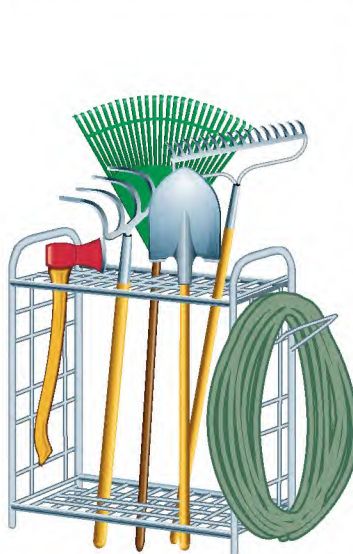
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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY,
CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY,
DOCKET NO. @F594207
INDYMAC BANK, FSB Plaintiff
-vs-
LLOYD HILLMAN Defendants
Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises
By virtue of the above stated writ of Execu-
tion, to me directed, I shall expose for sale
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(Prevailing Time)
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DIMENSIONS OF LOT: APPROX. 94 X 179
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FUND AND ANY PERSON CLAIMING THE
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FILE A MOTION PURSUANT TO COURT
RULES 4:64-3 AND 4:57-2 STATING THE
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PLUS 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
\$302,161.59, 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 13, 2009
Armando B. Fontoura, Sheriff
ZUCKER, GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN,
ATTORNEY(S)
1-908-233-8500, XCZ-84617
Belleville Times 2564746
Fee \$89.40
April 2, 9, 16, 23, 2009

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
-vs-
MERCEDES SMITH Defendants
Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises
By virtue of the above stated writ of Execu-
tion, to me directed, I shall expose for sale
by Public Auction in SHERIFF'S OFFICE,
Essex County Courts Building in Newark, on
Tuesday, 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
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PLUS MONEY. THE SHERIFF OR OTHER
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HAVE INFORMATION REGARDING THE
SURPLUS, IF ANY.
The approximate amount of the Judgment to
be satisfied by said sale is the sum of
\$334,634.26, 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
PHELAN HALLINAN & SCHMIEG, PC,
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Belleville Times 2548887
Fee \$108.64
March 12, 19, 26; April 2, 2009

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SHERIFF'S SALE
SHERIFFS FILE NO. 009000877
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY,
CHANCERY DIVISION, ESSEX COUNTY,
DOCKET NO. F2600907
AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC
Plaintiff
-vs-
ALVARO B. VARGAS, HIS HEIRS,
Defendants
Execution for Sale of Mortgaged Premises
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Essex County Courts Building in Newark, on
Tuesday, April 21, 2009, at one-thirty P.M.
(Prevailing Time)
Commonly known as:
697 SOUTH 18TH ST NEWARK, NJ 07103
TAX LOT NO. 21 IN BLOCK 356
DIMENSIONS OF LOT:
APPROX. 100 FT X 25 FT
NEAREST CROSS STREET:
19TH AVENUE
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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
\$424,702.55, together with the costs of this
sale.
The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn the
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Newark, N.J. February 11, 2009
Armando B. Fontoura, Sheriff
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ATTORNEY(S)
1-908-233-8500
XCZ-91573
Belleville Times 2559273
Fee \$94.88
March 26; April 2, 9, 16, 2009

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS


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Chancery Division
ESSEX County
Docket No. F-4409-09
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Jersey 08003, telephone number (856) 669-
5400, an Answer to the Complaint filed in a
civil action, in which Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.,
successor by merger to Wells Fargo Bank
Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee f/k/a Norwest
Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee for the
registered holders of Renaissance Home
Equity Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Se-
ries 2004-2 is plaintiff, and Pedro W. Mauna,
et al are defendants, pending in the Superior
Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, ES-
SEX County, and bearing Docket F-4409-09
within thirty-five days after **April 2, 2009**, ex-
clusive of such date. If you fail to do so,
judgment by default may be rendered
against you for the relief demanded in the
Complaint. You shall file your Answer and
proof of service with the Clerk of the Superior
Court of New Jersey, 25 W. Market Street,
CN-971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in ac-
cordance with the rules of civil practice and
procedure.
This action has been instituted for the pur-
pose of 1) foreclosing a Mortgage dated May
24, 2004 made by Pedro W. Mauna as
mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Regis-
tration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Delta
Funding Corporation recorded on December
1, 2004 in Book 10149 of Mortgages for ES-
SEX County, Page 798; said mortgage was
assigned to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., succes-
sor by merger to Wells Fargo Bank Minneso-
ta, N.A., as Trustee f/k/a Norwest Bank Min-
nesota, N.A., as Trustee for the registered
holders of Renaissance Home Equity Loan
Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2004-2 re-
corded on January 20, 2009 in Book 12174
of Mortgages for ESSEX County, Page 7271;
and 2) to recover possession of, and con-
cerns premises commonly known as 97
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DOCKET NO. @F1010506
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-vs-
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