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School board pins brunt of \$273 taxes on council

By Richard Dickon

To the annoyance of several residents, the Board of Education passed a tentative \$31million 1994-95 school budget by a vote of 4-2 on March 21 that would increase the tax levy by an average of \$273 for a home assessed at \$39,500, the township average.

School officials stressed that only 19 out of the 69-point tax increase actually came from this year's budget increase, while 50 points came from other sources, mostly the budget restorations from money cut by the Township Council. Losses in state aid and lower property assessments were also cited.

These comments did not quell criticism from a handful of residents present at the public meeting, all of whom criticized the recent teacher salary contract.

Board President Gabe Nazzola said that the budget increase of \$871,482, a 19-point tax increase, can be almost completely attributed to an increase of 100 students at a cost of more than \$7,000 per pupil.

"That increase is without a penny spent toward anything else but our responsibility for a thorough and efficient education," Nazzola said, "I place 29 points of this increase squarely on the shoulders of the town council."

The 29 points represent more than \$1.2 million first cut by the council and then restored to the school budget by the state Department of Higher Education.

Mayor Marina Perna said that the Gov. Christine Todd Whitman has asked municipalities to cut spending, but has not given officials the power to make the reductions stick.

"The state does not support and defend our right to cut from a defeated school budget," Perna said.

Belleville Teachers Association President Jack Ayres said the council refuses to acknowledge why school budgets are defeated by voters year after year.

"As long as school budgets are the only budgets people can vote on, the budget will get crucified," he said. "People can't vote down the town, or the county or the federal budget."

"This is the tightest budget we can have without removing programs and hurting students," Nazzola said, adding that further cuts will still be sought.

Resident and former board member Richard Yanuzzi disagreed with Nazzola, saying taxes could be cut by reducing teacher salary increases.

"Taxes are out of hand, they're outrageous," Yanuzzi said, "You

don't have to cut at the expense of children, you can cut salaries, even positions, if needed. Until you start addressing this, you will never get a budget passed."

Other residents, including senior citizen Joseph Selfo and former board president Frank Montagna, expressed similar criticisms.

Board members Angela Paserchia, an at-large council candidate, and Barbara Cicalese, both voted against the spending plan.

In a prepared statement, Paserchia said, "It's simply unconscionable to impose this sort of outrageous increase on our already overburdened taxpayers."

Homeowners in the second and fourth wards, where assessments are higher, would be particularly hard-hit by the increase, she said.

"In the past, the board has awarded salary increases well beyond the rate of inflation and now the chickens have come home to roost," Paserchia said.

Cicalese answered a question by board member Ralph Mazzuca regarding why she quit the board's budget committee.

"They wanted me to be a good girl, a rubber stamp," she said, "I'm nobody's rubber stamp."

Cicalese said she would offer suggestions for further reductions.

Mazzuca said he wondered what the school district would be like if 25 of the last 27 budgets had not been defeated.

"I wonder if we would be in the condition we're in," he said, adding that state aid gets reduced while state-mandated programs are added each year.

Board member John Notari voted yes, but said "I will have changes in the next two weeks for this budget."

School Superintendent Michael E. Lally defended the budget. "No one takes pleasure in 69 points, but 50 of that the board has no control over," he said, "This would be a zero increase if not for outside forces. The board does not deserve to be blamed."

The state Board of Education has restored a total of \$639,835 cut by the council from the last two defeated school budgets. This money is uncollected and will add about 14.5 points to the tax levy.

The total doubles to more than \$1.2 million since it is also applied to the base of this year's budget, so a total of 29 tax points is added to the levy.

A state shortfall in aid of \$105,563 adds two tax points, while four points come from lower property assessments.

Under the proposed state budget, the 30 poorest school districts would receive a 2.1 percent increase in aid. Wealthier districts would lose \$28.5 from the Transitional Aid fund set up to assist the districts in dealing with gradual reductions in state aid.

School workers, along with state and municipal employees, would be asked to pay 2 percent more into pensions, while the amount the state pays for cost of living increases for future retirees would be reduced.

Payments towards future health insurance costs would also end.



Street dedicated - Robert S. Curtis, president and chief executive officer of Clara Maass Medical Center, looks up proudly as he and Mayor Marina Perna dedicate the newly renamed Clara Maass Way. Visitors will now be welcomed to the hospital down the former stretch of Belmont Avenue, renamed in honor of Clara Maass' 125 years, the last 37 years in Belleville.

Officials pledge support to cancer research center

By Richard Dickon

An official for the Center for Molecular Medicine and Immunology (CMMI), along with county and local officials, outlined the group's plans to renovate and expand the former Geriatric center into a cancer research and treatment center.

Dr. Raymond H. Menard, vice president of administration for CMMI, said the township will benefit from the project through tax revenues, job creation and access to cancer information and treatment.

Critics have charged that the project would not bring tax revenues to the township, that traffic would be increased and that property values would be negatively affected.

Menard answered each charge, stating first that a "spin off" commercial health care site has been proposed for "as soon as two to

three years." The commercial properties would generate about \$1.5 million in tax revenues each year. The revenues would be divided, with 80 percent going to Belleville and 20 percent to the county.

"Critics say residential housing would generate tax revenues," he said, "But health care facilities would bring in twice as much. With housing, you have families that mean the school system taxes go up."

Acting County Executive Donald Biase said the project "has absolutely been supported by every segment of the population," including the local Council and Planning Board, doctors, county Freeholders, and citizens groups.

The commercial properties plan was developed because the township Planning Board and Council were reluctant to act without having some conceptual plan for the

rest of the property, according to Mayor Marina Perna.

Biase said the cancer center would anchor the other commercial properties and improve the area economically, both with additional jobs and the existing consumable items merchants.

"I can't see a north worthwhile use of the building and surrounding property," Biase said, "It's a perfect match for federal, state, county and local uses."

Perna said the commercial plan a few years away is "what we're relying on to be our tax ratable. We're counting on it happening as promised."

Besides the potential for raising more than \$1 million in taxes, Perna pointed to the facilities themselves as a major plus.

"The more medical services you

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Officials react to state budget

By Richard Dickon

Township officials had mixed reactions to Gov. Christine Todd Whitman's proposed \$15.8 billion 1994 state budget.

Officials were still waiting to find out if Belleville will be one of 72 municipalities to receive less state aid than last year.

Mayor Marina Perna said she expected less state aid. "It seems to me we will be one of the 72. "We are a need town," she said, questioning why a town like West Caldwell gets more in state aid.

Perna praised some of Whitman's cuts. "She deserves a lot of credit for attempting to reduce taxes by cutting staffing and eliminating the (state) Department of Education. I think she will be successful in those aspects."

The mayor questioned why Whitman did not use her veto

power to make cuts in the state Senate and Assembly budgets.

"She could've said the same thing to them. I think she is playing into the hands of her legislature," Perna said.

The first phase of the Whitman tax cuts plan was criticized by Perna for targeting single people in the \$40,000 income range and married couples combining for \$80,000 in income.

"These cuts are geared mainly toward the almost upper-end of the middle class. People making \$20,000 to \$30,000 make up 80 percent of my taxpayers," she said, adding that the second phase may aim more toward lower incomes.

Township Manager Stephen Cuccio said Belleville's average wage is higher only than Newark's average in the area, so the cuts will not reach many residents.

He said the tax cuts will do little for the town's 8,000 senior citizens. "Many are scratching to maintain and pay taxes on their homes," Cuccio said, "It is of primary interest that they keep their houses."

A \$325 million program will pay tax rebates of up to \$500 elderly and disabled taxpayers to defray property tax bills. "If property taxes go up, state tax cuts make no sense because property taxes are going to eat whatever is saved," Cuccio said.

Cuccio had attended a seminar in South Jersey on March 17 that he said was supposed to explain what towns were getting in state revenues. Instead he called it "an exercise in futility" that left Belleville unable to continue the

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Burke to cover Silver Lake

The Times is happy to welcome Marie Strumolo Burke as a contributing columnist. Look for her column "Life in Silver Lake," in the coming weeks.

As president and founding member of the Silver Lake Civic Association, Marie Strumolo Burke has been active in Belleville community and civic affairs for many years.

In establishing the Silver Lake Civic Association, an organization of more than 300 members, Burke has responded to neighborhood concerns on a wide variety of issues, including historical and environmental preservation, township identity and image, and recreational and educational matters.

Responding to the threat of increased crime in the area, the SLCA successfully spearheaded

the campaign to stop round-the-clock commercial activity in neighborhoods the association considered vulnerable to criminal activity.

Last September, the SLCA inaugurated the first "Silver Lake Clean-up and Beautification Day," an event which featured house-to-house fix-up, trash removal, street sweeping and lawn and backyard grooming.

For this neighborhood pride activity, the SLCA recruited and mobilized local business interests, township and county departments, and other local improvement committees. The spit-and-polish event was capped by a rousing and entertaining night-long block party on Heckel Street. The party attracted more than 500 Belleville residents who indulged in good music, chil-

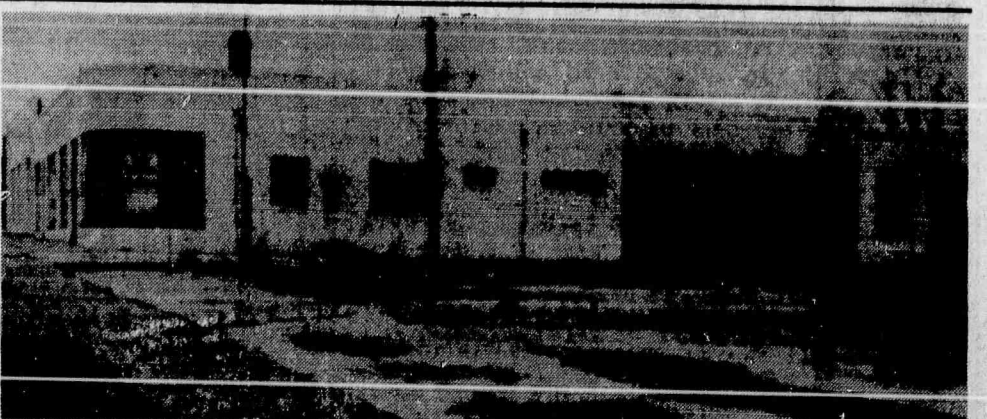


Marie Strumolo Burke

driven's rides and games, barbecue cuisine and soft drinks.

Burke is also active in Belleville political matters. She has served her neighbors as Democratic district leader for more than 15 years and is Belleville's Democratic Vice

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The planning board is considering allowing construction of a strip mall at this former Chevrolet dealership property on Washington Avenue. The site is across the street from the former Mead Ford dealer property approved for the building of a Taco Bell restaurant.



Getting along - Seven middle school students participated in conflict mediation training. They are (left to right) John Van Tassel; Malorie Clark-Cameron; Jim Costa; Amanda Price; Niles Monica; Tara Martinelli and Tom Bradley.

Middle school students try meditating conflicts

Several Middle School teachers and students recently participated in conflict mediation training. The program was led by Deborah Perri of the Belleville School District and Dr. Lois Richardson.

The program's purpose is to train students to work with their peers in preventing small disputes from escalating into major conflicts. Through a series of exercises and practice sessions, participants learned to circumvent conflict situations.

The five teachers, Dawn Buccino, Scott Fabian, Robert Kierney, Joann Maiorca and Sarah Yauch, worked with Richardson to help the eight students, Malori

Clarke-Cameron, Jimmy Costa, Tara Martinelli, Niles Monica, Amanda Price, Jonathan Ramos and John Van Tassel, to assume the duties of conflict mediation.

They were all taught active listening techniques, recognizing conflict behaviors, and the positive value of conflict.

Students and teachers acted out skits in which the mediators learn to remain neutral and allow the disputing parties to solve the problem themselves. This is just another tool in working with young people and the problems they face.

Many of the techniques used in the workshop can be transferred to everyday problems. The faculty

and students were given tools to help them deal with negative behavior.

"The hardest part of being a mediator is learning to really listen to what is being said!" Buccino said. She is one of the middle school English Department faculty.

"You learn to read non-verbal behaviors like posture, tone of voice, facial expressions, gestures, even eye contact," she added, "Sometimes actions do speak louder

than words." Thomas Bradley, a seventh-grader, praised the program. "The conflict mediation program taught me how to solve problems like arguments, fights and so on. Also, this program taught me how to understand how a person feels and to evaluate his or her feelings."

"Finally," he said, "I really thought this was an extraordinary program. It made me realize that some problems can be solved by getting to know the people involved in a conflict."

Teachers and students will now apply the techniques learned to situations that require conflict mediation intervention at the middle school. All parties agreed this was an excellent tool for dealing with disputes among youngsters.

Day camp

meeting Wednesday

The "Spring Fever" meeting of the Greater Newark School-Age Child Care Coalition will be held on Wednesday, March 30, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Valley Settlement House, 33-41 Tomkins St., West Orange.

Agencies which provide summer day camps are invited to attend.

Diane Genco, president of the New Jersey SACC Coalition, will be present to give an "opening pitch" presentation on planning for day camp programs. Information shared will include trip ideas, fundraisers, program resources, and staffing needs. A small donation will be requested to cover the cost of lunch.

In addition, Mary Lou Mayfield, Essex County 4-H program associate, will be available to schedule training workshops for 4-H leaders. SACC staff members who participate in the training will have access to 4-H resources.

To register for the SACC meeting, call Mayfield at 678-7807, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays.

Teachers irked at state for pension give-backs

By Richard Dickon

Teachers are unhappy with the provisions in Gov. Christine Todd Whitman's proposed state budget that change the payments of pension and health insurance benefits.

Jack Ayres, Belleville education association president, said "Obviously, we're not happy about it."

"I think most teachers are resigned to the fact that we'll never get rich," Ayres said, "But excellent benefits and a pension to live on at the end are things we plan to have."

Past BEA president Marty Lang called the Whitman budget "clever, with a lot of gimmicks based on balancing the state budget on the backs of public employees."

He said switching teachers from pre-funded pensions to "pay as you go" would hurt teachers.

"Security will continue to be lost. Every year will be a new adventure to see what's taken away," Lang said.

Mayor Marina Perna said she is not "anti-teacher" but she would like to see more spent on new programs and technologies for students and tests on teachers.

"The NJEA (New Jersey Education Association) has a lot of lobbying clout," she said, "But if we're spending 7,000 per year per student, I'd like to see more go toward education."

Whitman has said she will ask unions to forego pension and health benefit pay-ins in order to

close a potential \$2 billion budget deficit. The amount paid to fringe benefit accounts would be reduced, while millions would be withdrawn from health fund surplus.

All state public workers are being asked to pay two percent more into pension funds, while the amount the state pays for cost-of-living increases is reduced.

Ayres said two percent may not sound like a lot of money, but for a teacher at the top of the salary guide making about \$59,000, two percent equals \$1,200.

He said he understands the state's dilemma. "In the past, a teacher would retire after 25 years or more and expect medical coverage," he said, "Now, for basic coverage we're talking \$7,000 a year. These are major cost factors."

Discussing the preliminary \$31 million school budget, Ayres said, "We fared better than many. We technically haven't lost any funding."

Teachers, he said, are getting hurt more by the Governor's plan than most. If teachers pay more in health insurance and pension, than have their property taxes increased, he said the proposed tax rebates are not helpful.

"Tax cuts are supposed to be positive," he said, "But if you're given \$200 and \$400 is taken, that is not positive."

All of Whitman's proposal's are subject to approval by the state Legislature and no budget items have been approved.

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The 90-minute performance will include a complete dinner and entertainment by professional celebrity impersonators.

The fun will begin Thursday, April 14, at 7 p.m. at Belleville's Branch Brook Manor. Admission to the event will be \$35. Proceeds will benefit the Belleville High School Scholarship Fund.

Anyone interested in attending should contact Evelyn De Falco at 751-6274 or Annette De Riggi at 751-8504.

Student picked to attend congressional seminar

Nena Shah, a junior at Belleville High School, has been selected to attend the 27th annual Washington Workshops Congressional Seminar.

The nationally acclaimed study program offers students insight and hands-on learning in all branches of the federal government, particularly the U.S. Congress.

Shah is president of the foreign language club, editor of the key club newspaper and a member of the volleyball and varsity crew teams.

She is a member of Amnesty International and volunteers at

Clara Maass Medical Center. Her participation is sponsored by Hoffmann-LaRouche Inc. in Nutley.

The Roche-sponsored students will join 100 others from the United States and abroad for the week-long seminar, which began March 20. Roche and its subsidiaries are sponsoring the program by paying for students' tuition, room and board, and travel expenses to Washington, D.C.

The workshop's participants are selected based on their interest in learning about national and international issues. Interest in politics is often demonstrated by active participation in student government, related clubs or extracurricular public affairs activities, according to workshop officials.


During the program, students will participate in a model Congress and role-play the difficult task of developing national policy and writing laws. In addition, they will learn more about today's issues and needs through meetings with government leaders, White House staff, ambassadors, and members of the Senate and House of Representatives.

St. Mary's Sunday school registration

Registration for Roman Catholic education classes for public school students will be held at St. Mary's School, 9-10:15 a.m. on Sundays, March 20, April 17 and 24, and May 1.

The classes now include kindergarten as well as grades 1-8, from September to May on Sundays, 8:45-10:10 a.m.

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OUR OPINION

A Well-advised or Hard Fought Primary?

Latest speculation surrounding the upcoming Democratic primary for the nomination for the Office of Essex County Executive as well as the handicapping of potential contenders for the powerful post center on a recent wave of polling and testing of the waters by various camps.

The Mayor of East Orange, Cardell Cooper, who last fall won a new four year term in his city, is the only candidate to date who has "announced his intention to announce" for the race but as yet nothing formal has been heard from him.

Others rumored to be considering a bid to garner the nomination are Essex County Freeholders Joe Parlavocchio and Jim Cavanaugh, State Assemblyman Harry McEnroe of South Orange and Essex County Democratic Chairman and former Freeholder Board president Tom Giblin.

Local residents have made inquiries of late about telephone polling for potential candidates and Nutley based Public affairs consultant Tom Barrett confirms his agency, Barrett & Mottola, recently commissioned a 600-vote survey in a 174 page report conducted by a Washington, DC area pollster to, in his words, "get a read on the political climate in Democratic voter households."

While refusing to divulge the results of the survey, "out of respect for the potential candidates" Barrett did say the poll was not commissioned for any one candidate and that his agency contracted with the polling firm.

Other sources acknowledge however a strong lead for Tom Giblin of Montclair in a recent poll citing broad support and voter appreciation for his years of service to the County, its government and the Democratic party.

Giblin's stewardship over last fall's elections in Essex County as County Chairman defied statewide trends with local results. The stunning victory of District 5 Freeholder Louise Palagano, who claimed the seat for the Democratic party for the first time in 15 years, was accomplished with the Chairman's strong help and direction.

Giblin also guided the successful effort of Maria Vizcarrondo in the race for the Office of Surrogate which certainly speaks well of the former Freeholder president's political acumen and his willingness to open the party to women and others seeking opportunities for advancement.

Perhaps, with the next general election in mind, the Democrats would be well advised to parley and arrive at a consensus for their best candidate.

Former Governor Brendan Byrne and Congressman Donald Payne should look to advise the struggling and talented young Democratic leaders to sit down and reason among themselves.

After all, most wars are won before the first battle is ever fought and it's in the fall general election when the real political war in Essex County will be waged. -FAO-

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A number of investors we know who did not participate in the Texas class action have reserved their rights to obtain from Prudential Securities a settlement that would restore the investor to his/her original financial position. A number of investors are senior citizens who trusted Prudential. The Rock of Gibraltar

now has some cracks in it. The integrity of the Rock has been shattered, and Prudential has not been totally sincere in its implied desire to redeem securities at the original value. Prudential is offering \$55,000 to investors whose investment was \$100,000 - thus resulting in a loss to the investor of \$45,000.

The bigger they come, the more brass they have. If Prudential wants to regain some of the confidence an investor has in its integrity, the only moral thing for Prudential to do is make investors whole by redeeming the outstanding securities at the original cost instead of 50 cents on the dollar.

Going after the big guys

When the Federal Highway Authority issued a ban on radar detectors that became effective Jan. 19, it got only halfway to its destination.

The regulation only effects trucks registered for more than 10,001 pounds and buses with capacities of 16 passengers or more. Cars and light trucks, which comprise the majority of vehicles on the road, are not affected by the ban.

The trucking industry objects to the ban -- and not because it favors the use of radar detectors, which in fact it has opposed for years. It objects because its drivers are now

at the mercy of other motorists who dart in and out of traffic at speeds exceeding the limit, believing they are protected from apprehension by their electronic devices.

If, as the FHA says, radar detectors are used to "circumvent law enforcement," then why are only large trucks and buses singled out for the ban? Don't all speeding vehicles represent a danger to life and limb, regardless of size?

Let's tip the scales in the favor of traffic patrols and give the red light to all speeders by banning radar detectors on all vehicles.

YOUR OPINION

Keep ambulance service the same

To the Editor,

I am writing to express my opinion on the proposal to replace Belleville Fire Department Emergency Medical Services with GEM Ambulance Service.

I am an EMT and I feel this would be a mistake, due to the number of Belleville residents who are EMT certified and volunteer for other towns simply because we are not firefighters and are unable to serve our own community. I am sure many EMT's would gladly jump at the opportunity to serve Belleville and avoid costing a person requesting help more than \$180.

Let's face it, people will hesitate calling for an ambulance knowing it will cost them such a large sum of money. A volunteer organization, funded by private donation and fundraising, would save the town even more than a private service. It would also

reduce the number of firefighters needed.

Volunteers could utilize present Belleville EMS vehicles and could possibly establish a cooperative effort with the Fire Department to continue to provide emergency medical services to residents without charge.

A positive aspect of volunteers would be to have neighbors helping neighbors, as opposed to a private service whose personnel may not even be from Belleville at all.

Ask the township to give us a chance. Establish a volunteer squad or at least look seriously into the prospects of a volunteer squad. I am sure the pros would far outweigh the cons in such a venture.

Respectfully,
Timothy Daudelin, EMT-A

WE WELCOME LETTERS

... of interest to our local area. They should be short and to the point, they must be signed for attribution and contain the address and telephone number for verification.

Digori running for seat in at-large council race

Jerry Digori has announced his candidacy for a position on the Township Council. He turned in his petitions of nomination to Mary Lou Hood, town clerk, on March 14.

Digori is a life-long Belleville resident as well as a homeowner and taxpayer in town. He is a 1980 graduate of Belleville High School and graduated from Ramapo College in 1984 with a degree in business administration, marketing and management.

Following graduation from college, Digori was employed as Human Resources Director of AMA Leasing for five years. He is currently employed by local #32 Heat and Frost Insulators and

Asbestos Workers Union.

Digori said that some of the goals he has set for himself as Councilman at Large are: renovating Belleville's Municipal Stadium; establishing a cost-effective government; giving new businesses and homeowners an incentive to come and stay in Belleville; enhancing senior citizens services; taking control of, and containing taxes; and, most of all, "restoring pride in our town to Bring Belleville Back."

There will be a campaign Kickoff Rally for Digori on Thursday, March 31 at 7:30 p.m. at the Belleville Knights of Columbus, 98 Bridge St. All are invited and encouraged to attend.



Jerry Digori

Flight #198



A feature of The Nutley Sun, the Belleville Times and Bloomfield Life

By Frank Orechio



President Bill Clinton

• IF you are looking for a home where taxes are reasonable and cost of buying a home is even more reasonable give a thought to the following classified ad that appeared in Tuesday's Fort Lauderdale's daily newspaper:

"Boca Raton: 3/2 villa in beautiful Loggers Run. Light and airy, vaulted ceilings, all appliances, verticals, very large screened porch. Close to schools and more. \$75,900."

• LAST week, Noel Gross of Saddle River was confirmed by the New Jersey Senate as a member of the New Jersey Racing Commission. Noel is expected to be the first female Chairperson of the Commission. The Commission will reorganize at its April meeting. She maintains a stable in southern Florida. Her personal knowledge of the sport provides Noel with a running start as she leads the Commission into a new beginning.

• INTEREST rates are predictably going up - courtesy of the Federal Reserve. Fears are expressed that the economy is

heating up - and by raising interest rates, the government expects to slow down the "quick pace" of the economic recovery. If there is such a thing, people I talk to are not part of the recovery! All we hear is more people are losing their jobs or working less hours!

• THE Washington D.C. Democrats are just plain dumb. For weeks, Democrats led by White House spokespersons have been stonewalling any meaningful inquiry into the now worldwide interest in a real estate investment the Clintons made a dozen years ago in a failed real estate deal in Arkansas. The Clintons have maintained they have nothing to hide. Republicans retort is for the Clintons to put everything on the table. There are reports that a former Arkansas judge, David Hale, will provide the special prosecutor with damaging testimony about Bill Clinton. "This is all a bunch of bull" is how President Clinton greeted the news that Hale was on the verge of "spilling the beans." At the center of this developing scandal is a company jointly owned in 1985-1986 by the Clintons and Hale - The Whitewater Development Company. Hale claims that the then Governor Clinton pressed him into making a \$300,000 loan form a federally sponsored lending company which Mr. Hale operated.

• UNDERSHERIFF Jim Finkle resigned this week - giving Sheriff Armando Fontoura a second vacancy to fill.

• ESSEX COUNTY Republicans have a golden opportunity in November to become a big winner in November. Trouble is G.O.P.

chairman John Renna and the designated Whitman point man in Essex, Bloomfield attorney Ralph Salerno, a major pre-Primary Whitman leader, have not been able to broker a deal satisfactory to both men.

Facts are facts - Essex County Republicans at the county level have been reduced to one Freeholder - that's a tough fact for our friend, G.O.P. leader, John Renna to defend. Renna's opponents point to the gains Republicans made by capturing the Jersey City mayoralty as an indication that a heavily Democrat area - can - and does elect Republicans.

• SENATOR JOHN SCOTT reportedly is considering withholding Senatorial approval on gubernatorial nominations until someone in Governor Whitman's office recognizes that Scott won re-election last November. I have not discerned any anti-Scott sentiment among those in the Governor's upper circle. I believe it is just a question of a new gubernatorial team developing a working relationship among themselves with the need for specific lines of command to handle legislative and patronage matters.



Sen. John Scott

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Local Air Force cadet cited for excellent work

Air Force Cadet Raymond R. Escorpizo has been placed on the Commandant's List for military excellence with a 3.0 or better military performance average at the end of the semester, at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado.

Escorpizo is the son of Roger B. and Lydia T. Escorpizo of 60 Ligham St. The cadet is a 1993

graduate of Seton Hall Preparatory School in West Orange.

The academy's mission is to provide instruction and experience to all cadets so they graduate with the knowledge and character essential to leadership and the motivation to become career officers in the U.S. Air Force, according to officials.

Burke sets Silver Lake

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Chairwoman under the leadership of Chester Prosperi, Chairman.

She was a member of the Micheal V. Marotti Civic Association and is a past president of the Mary V. Senatore Civic and Welfare Association.

Public service has been Burke's way of following in her parent's footsteps. Her mother, Connie (Natale) Strumolo, was a Democratic district leader for more than 25 years in Silver Lake and her father, Fiore Strumolo, was a member of the Senior Citizens Club. They are both deceased.

Burke is a wife, mother and grandmother. Her husband, Charles, is the owner of Pico's Tavern in Silver Lake. Her son, Anthony Gammaro, and daughter-in-law Loraine live in Cedar Grove. Her grandchildren, Alicia, age 5, and Anthony Joseph, age 2, cannot get enough of their Grandma's homemade macaroni. St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church in Silver Lake is Burke's Parish.

In addition to her boundless hours on civic and family affairs, Burke is employed by the Essex County Department of Planning and Economic Development, where she is an Administrative Secretary. She is also employed part-time as a clerk for the Belleville Planning Board.

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Officials supporting cancer center

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can provide the better off the town is," she said.
Township Manager Stephen Cuccio said building a cancer research facility "is no-brainer."
"From a humanity standpoint, it's always a good decision to eradicate cancer from the face of the earth," Cuccio said. "The people of Belleville should be more than satisfied and proud to have an organization here that is sure to be known worldwide."
Improving the aesthetic of the region as well as "prestige values" were cited as other indirect benefits that could lure different types of professionals.

The traffic study completed for the area shows less than a five-second delay will be caused from CMMI traffic, according to Menard. He said critics who charge that he is in some way connected with the engineer who performed the study are incorrect.

"A memo from the engineer to the county administrator's office had my name on it," he said. "But that is just because I gave him the number of employees expected."

He said the ridership to and from the facility will travel "mostly mass transit. "We're not a hospital. Most of the treatment will be done off-site," he said, adding that most

treatment will be referred out to the patients' area hospitals.
Biase said the traffic study was conducted by the county engineer's department. He said more traffic existed when the Geriatric hospital and adjacent businesses were running than will be created by the new research center.
Cuccio said that with a maximum of 300 employees working different shifts, "There will be plenty of room for everybody else. The study will show that traffic will not be a problem."

Five percent of the square footage of the facility will be used for out-patient care. A 20-bed, highly-specialized in-patient unit is possible for the future, Menard said.
Biase said this is a county project that will benefit the entire county, decreasing the tax levy and providing an excellent quality of health care and research. The project eliminates maintenance costs for the property and will eventually bring in tax revenues, he added.

Menard said he was disturbed that certain critics have tried to "create fear" among residents about the facility.

"We are not an AIDS hospital, we are not a 500-bed hospital. This is bigotry against a minority being

spread," he said.
Two of the project's critics, Joseph Fortunato and Vincent Frantantoni, were present at four township council meetings when the project was up for formal review. Menard said "neither of them raised objections then. I believe this is related to the upcoming elections."
Fortunato and Frantantoni are past township commissioners. Fortunato is again running for council.
Menard said CMMI chose to pursue construction through the redevelopment in housing law because it provided "the most stringent requirements, more than the local requirements."

Ten separate public hearings with the council and planning board were included, along with an economic study of the land required by Federal officials, a land appraisal and an initial environmental report on the property that overlapped with local housing laws were all part of the process, he said.
The township's efforts to acquire five acres of property in the corner of the Geriatric center is supported by CMMI, Menard said.

"We will provide information on cancer care and treatment to seniors, who will be close by," he

said.
Town officials and residents are continuing efforts to convince county officials to donate five acres of the property to the township for use as a senior citizens residence. Seniors are to be surveyed to assess the amount of housing needed.

The conceptual development plan for Garden State Cancer Center, as it will be called, includes a breakdown of the funding being provided for the project. Under "presumed sources of financing," federal appropriations of \$10.5 million and state appropriations of \$10 million are listed.

The federal appropriation has been approved, through the Department of Energy. The Essex County Improvement Authority has approved a \$3.6 million bond offering. The total project cost is estimated at \$56.3 million.

Students honored on Dean's Lists

Jennifer Best, a junior majoring in biological science at the University of Rochester from Belleville, and Victor Alexander Afanador and Leigh Ann Herschell, students at Drew University in Madison, have all been named to the Dean's List for their outstanding academic achievement in the Fall 1993 semester.

Arts series concluding

The Essex County Division of Cultural and Historic Affairs will conclude its Organizational Development Seminar Series for Culturally Diverse Arts Organizations, 2 Washington Place, Newark.

The series is designed to strengthen the infrastructure of culturally diverse arts organizations by introducing and encouraging participation in a planning process.

There is no charge for participation and a hot buffet meal will be provided.

To register, call the grants administrator at 857-8530.

Youth group plans dance

St. Mary's Youth Group invites area teens, young adults and the young at heart to dance and have fun at their "Hawaii Luau Beach Party," Friday night from 7:30 to 10 p.m. at the St. Mary's School Gymnasium, 17 Msgr. Owens Place, Nutley.

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Officials react to Whitman budget

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budget process. Perna focused on the Governor's comments that the state has made cuts and the municipalities should follow suit. She targeted the school budget-

cutting process, that has seen \$639,835 trimmed by the council in the last two years only to be restored twice by the state Department of Education. This, she said, is an example of the state not allowing towns to reduce spending.

"We want the state to back us up. Otherwise, don't bother us with the process if this is the way it's going to be," she said.

She said the restoration of the \$639,835 will mean 29 tax points before the budget is even done, since those taxes were not collected while the council appealed the decisions.

Cuccio said the council struggled to cut more than \$870,000 from the budgets, only have to be restored in appeal.

Another example cited by Perna is the state system of arbitration for handling municipal union salary contracts.

"If we want to give two percent increases and the unions want six percent, the arbitrator can't just say they're giving six percent because that's what other towns are getting," she said, "Give us the mechanism to sustain our cuts. Up until now, the state has not been behind us."

Cuccio said the under final interest arbitration, an arbitrator will chose the pay increase number closer to the state average, rather than a middle wage that is allowed under certain arbitrations.

"Arbitrators kill municipalities with this deep-pocket mentality. If you don't have the necessary funds, they say to just raise taxes," he said.

Perna said she sent back a budget proposal in December, because she is asking for 10 percent reductions in all township departments.

Cuccio said cutting 10 percent from an already "bare-bones budget" will be difficult. After cuts to fire and police staffing the past two years, he said "We will try our damndest to keep our noses above water."

Even with those cuts, the mayor said reducing spending is difficult when you have "no control" over municipal salaries and school spending.

Cuccio said he wants to introduce a budget with the same revenues as last year for each department, and then amend the budget when state figures are announced.

Cuccio said he expected "resistance" to the cuts from municipal unions. "Anytime your touching pensions, I would expect them to be upset that the state is fooling with money they're counting on for their future, and paying into now," he said.

Belleville Senior News



By Joe Restaino

One of the better known members of the Belleville Senior Club is Sal Calabro. I was surprised to learn that he had worked with N.Y. Mayor LaGuardia as an investigator in the police and fire departments. He started his own firm as a consultant to ITT and the military in the field of quality control and associated technologies. For over 12 years he was in charge of quality control at ITT at the Nutley plant. For another 10 years he served as electrical engineer for the U.S. Signal Corp. He had also attained the rank of captain while serving in the Signal Corp. Sal also served as a teacher in some of the leading colleges such as Rutgers, Ohio State and George Washington University. He also wrote a book and several pages.

Sal moved to Belleville in 1950 and in 1960 he became involved in forming its Citizens' Tax Council. The tax council was instrumental in changing the commission form of government to the council-manager form. The tax council also published a weekly flyer keeping the citizens aware of what was going on. For some reason the tax council was disbanded and the weekly flyer was discontinued. Calabro went to Chicago on assignment and it was during this time that a recall movement was made and the commission form of government was reinstated. Due to his work commitments, Calabro was not able to get involved in the political scene. Calabro has volunteered his services to the township but so far has not received any reply.

On Saturday night anyone passing the senior citizen center would have heard the sound of music coming from the club house. And why not, for the senior citizen club under president James Triona was celebrating St. Patrick's Day with the traditional corned beef and cabbage. A three piece band was playing for the dancing pleasure of the large number of seniors who turned out. On Friday there were a few scary hours due to the snow storm but thank God it cleared up in time for the celebration. The committee did a very good job in planning the affair and are to be congratulated.

Congratulations to Richard Ruffalo, the blind athlete school teacher in Belleville, who was inducted into the Italian-American Hall of Fame. He is the first disabled athlete to be so inducted, and has won thirteen world and international titles in the Shot Put, Discus, Javelin and Weightlifting. He has certainly set a fine example for the youth of the world.

Welcome back to Jean Bagan and Jerry Imhoff.

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BOOK MARKS

The Age of Innocence

As part of the book discussion series for 1994 at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, Frank De Lisi will lecture on and discuss "The Age of Innocence," by Edith Wharton on March 30, at 1 p.m. The lecture is part of the series entitled, "A Study of Pulitzer Prize Authors and Their Award Winning Novels, 1919-1945," funded by a matching grant from the New Jersey Council on the Humanities.

The April 13 lecture will feature Dr. Henry Christian of Rutgers University, who will lecture on "One of Ours," by Willa Cather, followed by the April 27 lecture, which will feature Dr. T. Patrick Lynch, who will lecture on "Arrowsmith," by Sinclair Lewis. The May 11 lecture will feature Dr. Robert Gold, who will lecture on "The Grapes of Wrath," by John Steinbeck.

Call the library at 450-3434 to register or register in person at the library.

Opera lecture series

As a result of a grant from The Nicholas Martini Foundation, entitled "A Celebration of Literature, Language and the Arts '94," the library will be providing many cultural programs, among which is an upcoming opera lecture series.

The spring series will feature humanities lecturer Frank De Lisi, who will lecture on the composer Verdi on April 5, at 1 p.m. On April 13, the lecture will be focused on "Realism: Leoncavallo and Mascagni," while on April 19, the lecture will be centered on Puccini. To register for the opera lecture series, call the library at 450-3434.



Mary O'Connell, president of the Belleville Crew Parents and Alumni Association, is shown with the display of the Belleville Crew Parents and Alumni Association that she arranged at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center for the month of March. Included in the exhibit is a picture and biography of Superintendent of Schools, Michael L. Lally, who served as a Belleville Crew Coach.

Italian language course

It is still possible to participate in the Italian Language Course being offered at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, on Saturdays at 10 a.m., provided by a grant from the Nicholas Martini Foundation. The instructor, Anthony Cece, will teach how to speak, read and write Italian, as well as discuss cultural aspects of Italy. Books may be purchased from the library, or borrowed and then returned upon conclusion of the class, which will last until May 21. The course will also continue in the Fall.

'Pampered Chef' at library

The Friends of the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, 221 Washington Avenue, will present a special program entitled, "The Pampered Chef," on March 24, at 1 p.m. At this program Beth Jacobs will demonstrate 125 different quality kitchen tools, such as cutting boards, vegetable peelers, and kitchen cutters. Call the circulation desk at 450-3434 to register for the program.



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Calendar of Events

In the Trustees Gallery: "People and Places From Around the World," a watercolor exhibit by Ann Day of Ringwood will be on exhibit at the Belleville Public Library, 221 Washington Avenue, through March 31.

In the Display Case: A display, provided by the Belleville High School Crew Team, will be on exhibit at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, during the month of March.

March 24 - The Friends of the Belleville Public Library and Information Center will present a program entitled, "The Pampered Chef," at 1 p.m., presented by Beth Jacobs.

"Easter Crafts You Can Make," a special crafts program for adults, will be presented at 10:30 a.m. by Janice McManus, at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center. Call 450-3434 to register.

March 25 - The Friday Musical Film Class Series will feature Irving Berlin's "Easter Parade," at 12:30 p.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center.

"Making Spring Greeting Cards," a children's program, will take place at 3:45 p.m. in the James J. Cozzarelli Jr. Children's Room, Belleville Public Library and Information Center.

March 26 - An Italian Language Course, taught by Anthony Cece, will take place at 10 a.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center.

March 28 - Act One Presentations will present the play, "Stand Up and Be Counted," at 1 p.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center. Call 450-3434 to register for the performance.

March 29 - "Dental Care for Children" will be discussed by Dr. Robert Ramer at 10:30 a.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center.

The Opera Film Class Series will feature "Marriage of Figaro," at 12:30 p.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center.

March 30 - "The Age of Innocence" will be discussed by Frank De Lisi at 1 p.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center.

"Psychological Aspects of Reading Readiness and How Parents Assist in Reading Readiness" will be discussed by Dr. Pauline Rusch at 10:30 a.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center.

March 31 - "Dental Care for Children" will be discussed by Dr. Robert Ramer at 10:30 a.m. at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center.

"The Miracle of the Bells" will be shown at 1 p.m. as part of the Thursday Film Class Series at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center.

CPR course at library

A CPR course will be offered at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center, on April 25 and May 2, from 6:45 - 8:45 p.m., sponsored by the Essex-Passaic Chapter of the American Red Cross at a cost of \$35. To register, call the instructor at 338-9258. The course will be taught by Robert A. West, who is also taking the registration. West is a N.J. State Certified Emergency Medical Technician and an American Heart Association Basic Life Support Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Instructor.

Church hosts guitar music

Classic guitarist Lou Pallo will be appearing at Christ Church, 393 Washington Ave., on Sunday, April 17, beginning at 5 p.m., in the recently-redecorated undercroft room, the Cabaret.

Pallo, an outstanding musician in his own right, has been playing with the Les Paul Trio for the past 10 years. He has played with well-known bands like Franki Valli and the Four Seasons, Rock bands Van Halen and Stray Cats, blues great B.B. King, and pop singers Tony Bennet and Carly Simon.

The evening will be highlighted by guest appearances from friends of Pallo. Tickets are \$35 per person, including a complete filet mignon dinner, dancing and a full evening of entertainment.

Reservations are required and space is limited. For information call 751-0616.

St. Mary's Sunday school registration

Registration for Roman Catholic education classes for public school students will be held at St. Mary's School, 9-10:15 a.m. on Sundays, March 20, April 17 and 24, and May 1.

The classes now include kindergarten as well as grades 1-8, from September to May on Sundays, 8:45-10:10 a.m.

For more information, call the Religious Education office of St. Mary's Church between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. at 667-8239.

Youth group performing "Stations of the Cross"

St. Mary's Youth Group of Nutley will perform "Living Stations of the Cross," on Good Friday, April 1st, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Church, 17 Msgr. Owens Place.

There is no charge for this Easter event, and all are welcome. The event is sponsored by the St. Mary's Youth Group and St. Mary's Church.



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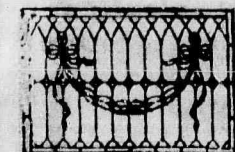
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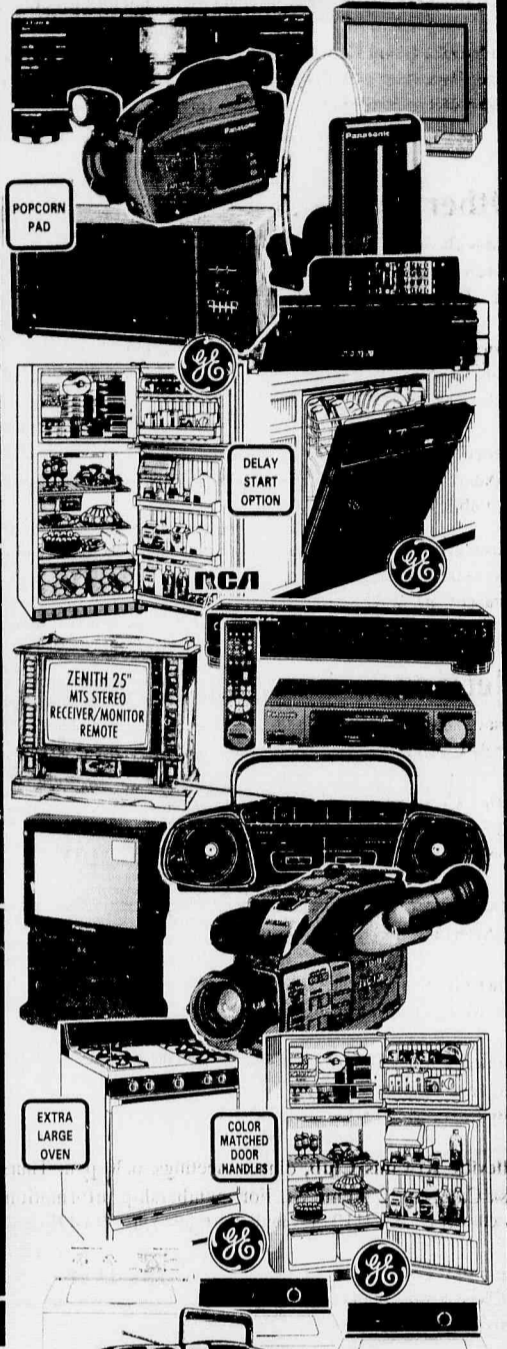
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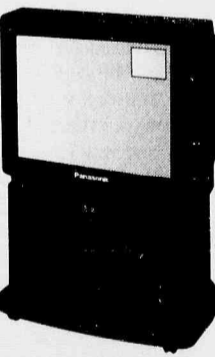
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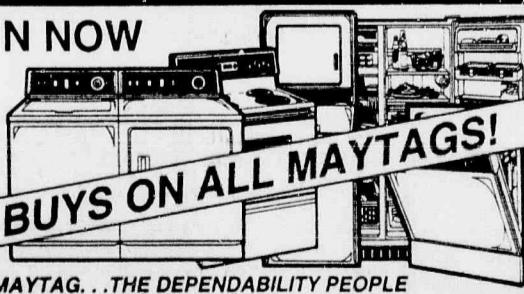
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Flea market and craft show, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 2, Nutley High School, 300 Franklin Ave. Project Graduation fundraiser.

Indoor/outdoor flea market, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Park Ave. and Ridge St., Newark. To reserve tables, call Florence at 565-5849 or 565-5843.

Other events...

Brass choir from Nurfingen-Raidwangen, Germany, in concert 8 p.m. March 28, Vincent United Methodist Church, 100 Vincent Place, Nutley. Free. For information, call 667-5440.

Bloomfield High School wrestling banquet, April 8, Chandelier, 350 Franklin Ave., Belleville. \$25. Reservation cut off March 31. Call Rich Galio at 338-1770.

Board of Education Candidates' Night, sponsored by League of Women Voters of Nutley, 8 p.m. March 30, Nutley Museum, 65 Church St. Public invited.

Amateur radio license examinations, 7 p.m. fourth Tuesdays, Bloomfield Civic Center, 84 Broad St. Walk-ins O.K. For information, contact Carl, WA2BXQ3388357.

Meetings...

Rosary Altar Society, 7:45 p.m. March 28, St. Joseph's Center, Holy Family Church, Nutley.

Nutley Concerned Citizens, 7:30 p.m. March 29, Parks and Recreation building, 44 Park Ave. Speaker: Elizabeth Gingerelli, Clean Communities coordinator.

Belleville AARP Chapter 2051, 1 p.m. April 7, Fewsmith Memorial Presbyterian Church, 444 Union Ave.

Court Gratia 751, Catholic Daughters of America, St. Mary's School Hall, Msgr. Owens Place, Nutley.

Women's Auxiliary, Lions Club of Nutley, seeking new members, 7 p.m. first Thursday, Meyer's Cafe, Nutley. For more information, call Betty Lazur at 667-9127 or Louise Beck at 661-2906.

Belleville Kiwanis Club, dinner meetings, 6:30 p.m. Thursdays, Bella Casa Caterers, 2 Acme St. For membership information, call Nino Bucciarelli at 751-2110 or Vinnie Sorrentino at 759-6475.

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St. Mary's Youth Group, 8 to 10 p.m. Thursday nights, St. Mary's School gym, Msgr. Owens Place, Nutley. For those in 8th grade or older.

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Nutley Junior Woman's Club, 8 p.m. first Mondays, 216 Chestnut St. For membership information, call Debi at 661-1340.

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Belleville Historical Society, 7:30 p.m. first Tuesdays, Belleville Reformed Church, 171 Main St.

Nutley Historical Society, board meeting 7:45 p.m. third Thursdays, 65 Church St. New members welcome. Call 667-1528 for information.

Fundraisers.

Bunny breakfast, 9 a.m. to 12 noon March 26, St. Thomas the Apostle School, 60 Byrd Ave., Bloomfield. Sausage, French toast, bagels, danish, juice coffee, tea. Visit from Easter bunny and purple dinosaur. Easter egg hunt, Easter bonnet parade. Photo with Easter bunny for \$3.50. Tickets, \$6.50. Reservations required, seating limited. Call 759-2953.

Pancakes with the Easter Bunny, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. March 27, Nutley Parks and Rec, 44 Park Ave. Adults: \$4.50; children 12 and under: \$2. Sponsored by Nutley Volunteer Emergency & Rescue Squad.



David Shirghio - Bernadette Daidone

Bernadette Daidone, David Shirghio to wed

Arthur Baker of Belleville announces the engagement of his stepdaughter, Bernadette Daidone, to David Shirghio, son of William Shirghio of New City, N.Y. and Carol Shirghio of Nyack, N.Y.

The troth was made known New Year's Eve. The wedding is planned for July 7, 1995.

Miss Daidone, daughter of the late Josephine (Dolly) Baker and

the late Benjamin Daidone, is an alumna of Belleville High School. She is a senior at Bloomfield College, Bloomfield, and a computer specialist at Organon, Inc., West Orange.

Mr. Shirghio, a graduate of Clarkston North High School, is the owner of a landscaping business that serves the New York area.

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Anthony Palermo, Jr.

A first child, a son, Anthony, Jr., was born to Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Palermo of Nutley Feb. 7 at Mountainside Hospital, Montclair. Birth weight was 9 pounds, 5 ounces.

Mrs. Palermo is the former Tina MacDonald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Greg MacDonald of Belleville. She is an Information System/secretary at Mountainside Hospital. Mr. Palermo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Palermo of Belleville, is a maintenance engineer at Mountainside Hospital.

21st annual pancake breakfast, 8 to 10 a.m. March 27, Bloomfield Presbyterian Church on the Green, 147 Broad St. Adults \$4; children 5-12, \$2; kids under 5 free. Ticket at the door or call 748-8270.

A Night at Rascal's Comedy Club, March 28, 425 Pleasant Valley Way, West Orange. \$10. Open to anyone 21 or over. Cash bar. Doors open 6:30 p.m. Show starts 7:30 p.m. Ticket required for entry. Call Lynda Cubellis at 759-9029 or 751-8820. Sponsored by Belleville and Verona Music Parents Associations.

Annual fish fry, 5 to 7:30 p.m. April 1, Bloomfield Elks, 296 Bloomfield Ave. \$8. For tickets, call Jean at 748-2363 or Clorinda at 748-0935.

"Hula into Spring," full course dinner and tricky treat, 7 p.m. April 8, Branch Brook Manor, Belleville. \$20. For tickets, call Lisa at 450-8250, sponsored by Belleville School 8.

Bus ride to Atlantic City, sponsored by Belleville Democratic Club, April 10. \$20 includes \$10 in coins and \$5 food voucher. For ticket info, call George Simon days at 751-4142 or Frank Bonavito evenings at 759-5533.

Annual card party "Spring Fling", 6:30 p.m. March 31, Atrium West Country Club, West Orange. Full course dinner. Sponsored by Berkeley Home and School Assoc. \$22. Call Angela Coffey at 743-7472.

Prom fashion show, 7:30 p.m. April 7 Bloomfield High School auditorium, 160 Broad St. Fashions by Arlene's and Starlight Tuxedo. \$5. Tickets at high school office or through members of class of '94.

Annual dinner and fashion show, sponsored by Women's Auxiliary, Nutley Family Service Bureau, 6:30 p.m. April 12, Westmount Country Club, West Paterson. Fashions by Group USA Apparel. For reservations, contact Fran Cervasio, 215 Rutgers Ave., Nutley, 07110. \$30.

Pancake breakfast, 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 17, Bloomfield Civic Center, 84 Broad St. Sponsored by Kiwanis Club. \$3.50 adults, \$3 seniors and kids under 12. Tickets at the door or from members.

Bus ride to Clairidge Casino, April 17. Buses leave Bloomfield Middle School at 9 a.m. Sponsored by Bloomfield Central Little League. \$25 includes \$8 coin and \$5 deferred. For tickets, call Artee Lepage at 748-3654.

Donofrio-Paterson troth is announced

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Donofrio of Belleville announce the engagement of their daughter, Donna Marie, to Robert J. Paterson, Jr. of Belleville, son of the late Marianne Paterson.

The troth was made known Christmas Day. The wedding is planned for late next year.

Miss Donofrio, an alumna of Belleville High School, is accounts receivable manager with Atlantic Scale Co., Inc., Nutley.

Mr. Paterson, an alumnus of Immaculate Conception High School, Montclair and Lincoln Technical Institute, Union, is a draftsman with Byers Engineering.



Robert Paterson - Donna Donofrio

Michele Balko to marry Thomas J. Cook, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Balko of Belleville announce the engagement of their daughter, Michele, to Thomas J. Cook, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cook of Nutley.

Miss Balko, an alumna of Belleville High School, and Mr.

Cook, a graduate of Nutley High School, are with Tompkins, McGuire and Wachenfeld, Newark.

The troth was made known March 5. The wedding is planned for June 1995.



JANELLE GELPI, daughter of Joe and Cheryl Gelpi of Belleville, won the Tiny Miss Essex County pageant March 6 at Newark Airport. Janelle, 5, attends Happy Apple School in Belleville. For her talent, she performed "Teddy Bear-Teddy Bear" and came in first place. She will represent Essex County in the state pageant July 2 in Ocean City. Janelle has a brother, Joey, and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Manning and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gelpi, all of Belleville.

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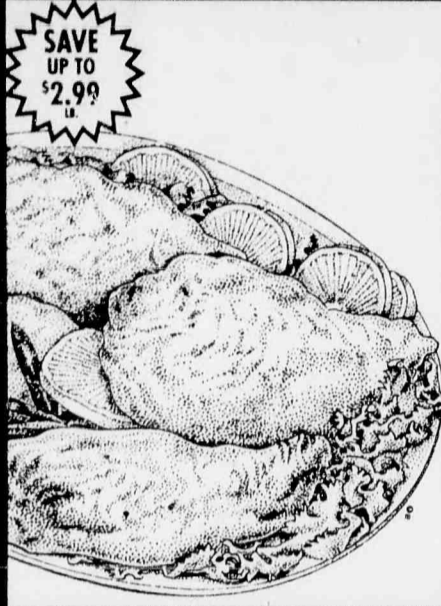
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Belleville

SPORTS

BUC SHOTS

By Mike Lamberti



The final in a three part series on **Rich Ruffalo** will continue next week. Sadly, I have to report that Belleville lost a great friend last week, and I thought it somewhat appropriate to reminisce about some of the good times I had with this man while growing up.

Ed Berlinski departed this life last week at the age of 79 last week. He leaves a wife, **Dorothy**, two children and a host of people that will remember him and think fondly on the contributions he made to high school athletics.

Berlinski is a member of the Belleville and Bloomfield High School Hall of Fame. He was an All State performer at Bloomfield in football, basketball and baseball. Upon graduation, Berlinski took his talents to North Carolina State and was an All American football player and was selected the school's Most Outstanding Athlete in 1937.

Berlinski played professional football for the Brooklyn Dodgers of the NFL and the Newark Bears.

As was the case with many Americans, Berlinski's athletic career was interrupted by World War II. He served as a second lieutenant in the Army's First Armored Division. A prisoner of war, Berlinski spent 27 months in a German prison in Poland.

After the war, Berlinski returned to the teaching ranks at Belleville High School. From 1947 to '62, he was the football and baseball coach at Belleville High. Berlinski remained a physical education teacher at BHS after giving up coaching and stayed in that position until 1980, when he retired.

I first met this man in September of 1970. I was 12 years old and was beginning my first year at Belleville Junior High School. Berlinski was a hard nosed guy, and, quite frankly, he scared the daylights out of me until I had the chance to know him during the seventh grade.

"Lamberti," he would scream at me in that gruff, yet somewhat friendly voice. "What the heck are you doing? Fall in line, NOW! Stop fooling around. That's ten points off your grade. You're going to stay back if you don't grow up!"

And it would go on and on for the next two years, from seventh grade until the beginning of ninth grade. I always said that Berlinski and **Sam Giuffrida** were my two toughest critics. But both men also had two of the biggest hearts this side of New Jersey.

As I got to know Berlinski, and when he wasn't yelling at me, he would quite often show me scrap books of his athletic career. As a 12 and 13 year old kid, I really didn't understand the magnitude of this man's career. He would show me his All American awards and would tell me about football "the way it was meant to be played."

At Belleville Junior High School, a teacher would attain a level of popularity when the students (and let me tell you we were real cool back in those days) would call that person by just one letter. There weren't many teachers, or coaches, who earned that stature.

Giuffrida was known around school simply as "G". **Dennis Villano**, currently the crew coach and a long time freshman wrestling coach at Belleville, is called "V".

Ed Berlinski, from the time we first knew him, was strictly, "B". It wasn't Mr. B., or Coach B, it was just B.

In the psyche of a 13 year old kid, it was the ultimate compliment, and Berlinski, although he would never tell you, reveled in it. He was untouchable, a man above men. If a teacher yelled at you, the general consensus was "who's that?"

When "B" let you have it, you didn't move a muscle. And if you dared question B's authority, chances are half the student body would let you know that B is **THE MAN**.

That's the way it was. And, to this day, it was still that way for me when it came to B.

A few years ago, Berlinski was inducted into the Belleville High School Hall of Fame. I sat at Berlinski's table and we spent about three hours or so, talking about Belleville sports, sports in general and, most importantly, about life.

"You turned out all right, Lamberti," Berlinski said to me that night. "I see all my yelling did some good after all."

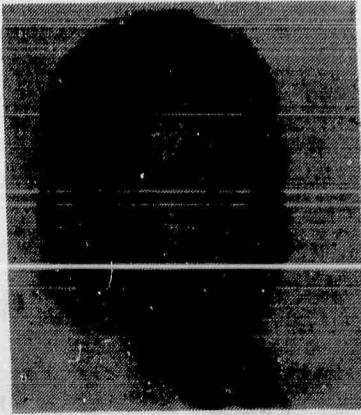
It sure did, B.

And I am a richer person for having been yelled at by you for two years in the early 70's.

So now, B is reunited with G.

And you can bet there's some stimulating conversation going on between those two.

I'll miss this man. But most of all, I'll always respect him and will never forget the lessons he taught me, lessons which far exceed book learning.



Ed Berlinski

Rest well, B.

The niche you carved in life will be permanently engraved in all the young people you reached for over 40 years.

B's passing leaves a void that will not be easy to fill. But the memories will always be there, and since B is not the type of man who would want us to mourn his passing, I'll simply say this.

Thank you.

Isaiah "Times" MVP wrestler

By Joe Piegario

Now that the wrestling season is over, it's about time I got a chance to say what I think and feel, instead of what I see and hear.

This is my favorite column of the year, the one which has my all-time team, my best and worst, and my feelings on the past season. Gee, it's great being a sports writer!

First things first, who was the team MVP this year? That's a piece of cake, 'cause Isaiah Cardinale made that choice an easy one.

His record of 33-1 was the best on the squad. So were his 23 pins. The 33 victories tied Armando Nardone for the most wins in a season by a Buc wrestler. The 23 pins in a year was one shy of the record held by Danny Hywel.

Seven times this campaign Isaiah was asked to wrestle above his normal 125-pound division. He won all seven bouts, five at 130, and two all the way up at 135. No other BHS grappler was as committed to helping the team.

Of the 16 dual meets wrestled by Belleville this year, at least eight times the opposing team changed the entire middle section of their lineup to avoid Cardinale.

On a team which featured superb wrestlers named John Perna (30-1), Joe McNish (26-3), Luke Cardinale (24-8), and John Spina (21-7), the sky's brightest star belongs to Isaiah Cardinale.

The "Times" most improved wrestler this year was a difficult choice to make. Four Buc athletes showed great improvement from last year to now.

Joe McNish was 17-10 last year with a District crown to his credit at 140 pounds. In this, his senior season, his record grew to 26-3 with gold medals in the Bloomfield

Holiday Tournament, Counties and District 14. He was my fourth choice.

130-pound junior John Spina was 2-3 last season with a third place finish in the Districts. His improvement showed a 21-7 record and a championship in the Districts. Those stats made Spina my third choice.

Runner-up for most improved was sophomore Luke Cardinale. A backup on last year's squad, Cardinale fashioned a 4-4 record but was not part of the lineup for the Districts. This season, Luke was 24-8, placed every tournament and lasted three rounds in the states.

But the most improved wrestler, the one who made the greatest strides in one year's time was Aris Cruz. A 7-13 record last year was changed to 18-6. Cruz didn't win a match in any tournament in 1993. In 1994 he placed fourth in Bloomfield, fifth in the Counties and third in the Districts. But, his numbers don't reflect how well he responded to pressure this season.

As the only experienced wrestler in the upper divisions, Aris was the last hope in many dual meets. In matches against Passaic Valley, Paramus, Elmwood Park, and Nutley, his wins made the difference between a team victory and a loss. His victories against Roxbury and St. Joe's kept Belleville in matches that could have resulted in blowouts. Of his six losses, three were inflicted by state qualifiers.

Still, his most improved aspect was his attitude. Last season, he was mentally unprepared for most of his matches. This year, he knew what his job was and he did it.

By his own admission, there were at least two occasions on which he wanted to withdraw from the sport. Yet, because of his commitment to his teammates, he stuck

it out and helped BHS regain the District Championship. Great job, Aris!

Okay, MVP and Most Improved are out of the way. Now for my all-time team at BHS. Ready?

103: John Perna (Carl Arlt a very close second)

112: Isaiah Cardinale

119: Joshua Cardinale (barely edges out Mike Iuliano)

125: Junior Nardone

130: Mondo Nardone (sorry Mr. Rebolli)

135: Joe Cerreto (the most naturally talented wrestler ever at BHS)

140: Dan Bivona (Belleville's very first state qualifier)

145: Walt Bennett

152: Chris Tremel

160: Dan Hywel

171: Chris Musmanno

189: Mike Gibbons

275: George D'Alesandro (Criscione was loveable, but would never beat George)

I know those choices are solid, but some of my readers might disagree. If you do, send me a letter with your arguments.

The all-time Top 20 win list took a beating this year, so take a look at the new rankings:

1. Junlor Nardone 101-8-1 .927

2. Mondo Nardone 101-12 .894

3. Joe Cerreto 100-14-4 .877

4. Isaiah Cardinale 91-9 .910

5. Joshua Cardinale 91-13 .875

6. John Stampone 89-28-3 .761

7. Dan Hywel 88-23 .793

8. Dom Cerreto 83-21 .798

9. Mike Iuliano 76-14-1 .844

10. Mike Gibbons 72-8-1 .900

11. Chris Musmanno 68-8 .895

11. Ralph Perna 68-21-1 .764

13. Marc Criscione 67-24-2

.736

14. Vin Mustacchio 66-11 .857

15. Vinnie DeSimone 65-20-1 .765

16. John Perna 61-2 .968

17. Carl Arlt 60-7 .896

18. Lee Hands 60-17-1 .779

19. George D'Alesandro 56-12-1 .824

19. Ken Henry 56-22-2 .718

Of course, #16 John Perna is still active and will move up next year into the top five or higher.

Jorge Hernandez (16-9 this year, 35 lifetime wins) and Luke Cardinale (28 lifetime wins) could break into the top 20 next year with outstanding seasons.

According to the official Piegario tabulations, Luke Cardinale had the most difficult dual meet schedule this year, up to the districts. Cardinale faced seven district champs, two district runners-up, and three district bronze medalists. He also wrestled twice against region champs. Jorge Hernandez had the second most difficult schedule, Mark Bianchini was third and Brian Pasterchick fourth.

On a team basis, there was good and bad to report. For the fourth consecutive season, Belleville had at least two state place finishers. This season, John Perna placed second at 112, Isaiah placed third at 125.

For the 13th year in a row, BHS qualified for a berth in the state sectionals. Unfortunately, our Bucs were eliminated in first round action as they have been in 10 of those 13 years.

And finally, the all-time pin list was shaken up just a bit this season. As you know, the goal of every wrestler is to pin his opponent. It is the ultimate achievement in scholastic wrestling, much the same as a touchdown in the aim in

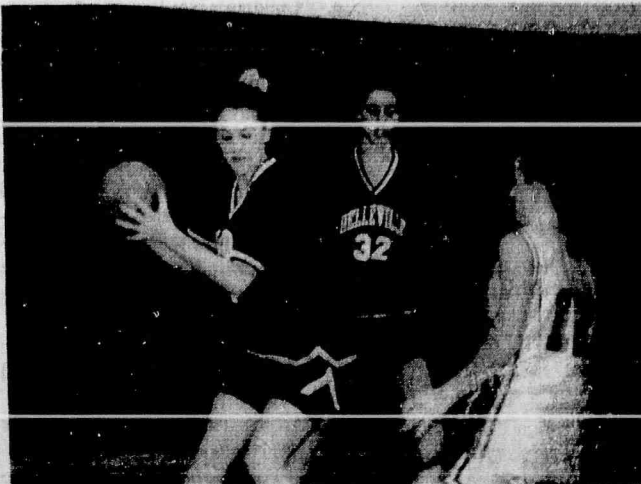
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Belleville Varsity Softball			
Date	Opponent	Time	Place
Apr.2	Mt. St. Dominic Tournament	11 a.m.	Away
Apr.5	Lyndhurst	4 p.m.	Away
Apr.6	Randolph	4 p.m.	Home
Apr.8	Barringer	4 p.m.	Home
Apr.9	Caldwell	11 a.m.	Away
Apr.11	Montclair	4 p.m.	Away
Apr.13	Ridgewood	4 p.m.	Away
Apr.15	Clifton	4 p.m.	Away
Apr.18	Kennedy	4 p.m.	Away
Apr.20	Bloomfield	4 p.m.	Home
Apr.22	Eastside	4 p.m.	Home
Apr.23	Queen of Peace	11 a.m.	Away
Apr.25	Hackensack	4 p.m.	Away
Apr.27	Paramus	4 p.m.	Home
Apr.29	Teaneck	4 p.m.	Away
May 2	Paramus Cath.	4 p.m.	Away
May 4	Nutley	4 p.m.	Home
May 6	L.H.A.	4 p.m.	Home
May 11	Hackensack	4 p.m.	Home
May 13	Paramus	4 p.m.	Away
May 16	Teaneck	4 p.m.	Home
May 18	Paramus Cath.	4 p.m.	Home
May 20	Nutley	4 p.m.	Away
May 23	L.H.A.	4 p.m.	Away

Belleville Varsity Baseball			
Date	Opponent	Time	Place
Apr.4	Eastside	4 p.m.	Home
Apr.8	Barringer	4 p.m.	Away
Apr.9	Caldwell	11 a.m.	Home
Apr.11	Montclair	4 p.m.	Home
Apr.13	Ridgewood	4 p.m.	Home
Apr.15	Clifton	4 p.m.	Away
Apr.18	Bloomfield	4 p.m.	Home
Apr.20	Bergen Cath.	4 p.m.	Home
Apr.22	St. Joseph	4 p.m.	Away
Apr.25	Hackensack	4 p.m.	Home
Apr.27	Paramus	4 p.m.	Away
Apr.29	Teaneck	4 p.m.	Home
May 2	Paramus Cath.	4 p.m.	Home
May 4	Nutley	4 p.m.	Away
May 6	Don Bosco	4 p.m.	Away
May 9	St. Joseph	4 p.m.	Home
May 11	Hackensack	4 p.m.	Away
May 13	Paramus	4 p.m.	Home
May 16	Teaneck	4 p.m.	Away
May 18	Paramus Cath.	4 p.m.	Away
May 20	Nutley	4 p.m.	Home
May 23	Don Bosco	4 p.m.	Home

Belleville Crew Team		
Day	Date	Site
Sunday	March 27	Philadelphia
Saturday	April 9	Kearny Invitational
Sunday	April 17	Philadelphia
Sunday	April 24	Philadelphia
Saturday	April 30	Mercer County
Sunday	May 8	Phila. (City Champ.)
Saturday	May 14	Poughkeepsie
Thurs. - Sat.	May 19-21	Philadelphia
Thurs. - Sat.	May 26-28	Camden (Nationals)

Belleville Boys' & Girls' Track		
Date	Opponent	Place
April 5	Nutley	Away
April 12	Don Bosco/I.H.A.	Away
April 14	St. Joseph (boys')	Away
April 19	Hackensack	Away
April 21	Paramus/Teaneck	Away
May 10	Paramus Catholic	Away
May 21	Essex County Individuals	Away



Andrea Curran pulls down rebound during game at Glen Ridge last month. "A.C." will be playing third base for Lady Buc softball team this spring. Deana Addis (32) looks to assist on the play.



Liz Ramirez (right) a first-team NNJIL selection and Christie Scassera play defense during late season game. Scassera should be a key member of Lady Bucs for next three seasons.

Belleville recreation round-up

COACHES NEEDED: The Belleville Department of Recreation and Cultural Affairs is seeking adults to coach in its Tee-Ball League.

Anyone interested would preferably reside in Belleville and must be available on Saturdays and Sundays. Qualified applicants must be sports-minded, responsible and must work well with people.

Coaches will be working with boys and girls, 6-7 years of age. For further information or to apply, please contact the Recreation Department at 450-3422.

LEAGUE DIRECTOR NEEDED: The Belleville Department of Recreation and Cultural Affairs is seeking one adult to serve as League Director for its Tee-Ball League.

The part-time position entails supervision of league games/personnel and re-scheduling rainouts.

Anyone interested would preferably reside in Belleville and must be available Saturdays and Sundays. Qualified applicants must be sports-minded, responsible and work well with people.

This position would also be good experience for a college student majoring in recreation/physical education.

For further information or to apply, please contact the Recreation Department at 450-3422.

UMPIRE TESTS: The Belleville A.S.A. Umpire's Association will be conducting the A.S.A. Softball Umpire's Test on Wednesday, April 6, at 7 p.m. at

the Rec House - 407 Joramemon Street.

Any adult, male or female, interested in taking the test should call the Belleville Recreation Department at 450-3422 to obtain an application for the test. There is a \$30 non-refundable exam fee that must accompany your application.

Persons who register for the test can attend the A.S.A. Softball Rules Clinics, to be given on Wednesday, March 16, Wednesday, March 23, and Wednesday, March 30 at 7 p.m. at the Belleville Recreation Department. These clinics are designed to prepare all potential umpires for the test on April 6. The clinics will be conducted by Frank Dario and Tom Ucci, two of Belleville's most experienced umpires.

The registration deadline will be March 18. The course and test are open to all persons, 18 years of age and older. A 70 percent passing grade will be required. Successful applicants will then be qualified to umpire A.S.A. Softball after paying their membership dues, and will be responsible for securing their own work assignments.

PRE-SCHOOL REGISTRATION: The Belleville Department of Recreation and Cultural Affairs is accepting registration for the pre-school program for 4-year old children.

The program consists of games, stories, songs, art, outside play when weather permits, short rest periods and occasional holiday parties especially designed for pre-school children.

A session is from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. or 12:45 to 2:45 p.m., five days a week with class limited to a maximum of 23 students in each session. The cost of the 32-week session is \$125. The mothers of the children accepted **must participate** by serving one duty day about every eight or nine days according to a published schedule. School will begin on Monday, September 19, 1994 and will run through May, 1995.

Children born between October 1989 and September 1990 who will enter Kindergarten in September 1995 are eligible. Participants must be Belleville residents. Since there are a limited number of openings, applications will be accepted on a first come, first served basis only.

Children must be able to speak and understand English in order to participate. Children enrolled in the morning program cannot also be in the afternoon program or vice versa. A \$25 deposit is required to hold your spot in the program.

For further information and enrollment, contact the Belleville Recreation Department at 450-3422 as soon as possible, Monday Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Men's Basketball Leagues complete season: Benjamin Moore Paint Company again won the Wednesday "Slow Break" Basketball League in 1994 by defeating runner-up Megaro, 48-29, in the final.

Benjamin Moore finished 8-3 overall, while Megaro ended up 6-5.

In the Thursday Men's

Basketball League, Fleet Wash defeated Zig-Zag, 77-70, to emerge as the "Gold Division" champions with a 12-1 record. Zig-Zag also finished at 12-1, claiming the "Blue Division" honors.

- Men's Basketball:**
"Blue Division"
 Zig-Zag Restaurant 12-1
 Michael's Roscommon 8-5
 Nutley Pub 6-7
 Algieri's Pizza 5-8
 Capasso Painting 2-11
"Gold Division"
 Fleet Wash 12-1
 Ritacco Bros. 10-3
 West Side Auto 6-7
 Cosmo's 3-10
 Giorgio's Pizzeria 1-12
Men's "A" Volleyball:
 Algieri's Pizza 33-12
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 Aces & Eights 36-3
 Volleyball Busters 29-4
 V. Sylvestro's Market 28-5
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 Michael's Roscommon 13-23
 Stefaneli Trucking 9-27
 The Volley Girls 6-27
 Chandelier 6-27
 Auriemma's Spikers 5-31

Mundy to be honored

The Essex County Chapter of The National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame will honor 27 high school athletes, including Belleville's Michael Mundy, at the 29th Annual Scholar-Athlete Dinner.

The dinner will take place on Thursday, March 31, at Mayfair Farms in West Orange at 6:30 p.m.

Mundy and the rest of the honorees were selected by their football coaches and principals, not only for their football abilities, but also for their accomplishments in the classroom and their demonstration of positive school leadership, character and citizenship.

Mundy, a senior, played quarterback last season for the Bucs.

Tickets for the affair are \$30 per person. Reservations can be made by sending your check, made payable to the Essex County Chapter N.F.F., to Peter F. Horn, 265 Prospect Avenue, West Orange, NJ 07052. For more information, call (201) 731-4000.

Cherry Blossom 10K run

The Essex County Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs has announced that applications are now available for the 1994 Cherry Blossom 10K Run sponsored by PruCare, the Prudential Health Plan.

This annual run through historic Branch Brook Park will take place on Sunday, April 17, beginning at 10 a.m.

The pre-registration fee for the run is \$7.50 for Essex County residents and \$10 for out-of-county runners. The pre-registration deadline is April 6. Race-day registration will be available from 8 to 9:15 a.m., but the fee will be \$12 regardless of residency. As in previous years, tee-shirts will be given to the first 1,000 pre-registrants.

In addition to the 10K run, PruCare is also sponsoring a Children's Fun Run that day beginning at 9 a.m. This run is free to children 12 and under. Registration for this event will take place on race day from 8 to 8:45 a.m.

The age groups for the 10K run are 14 and under, 15 to 19, 20 to 29, 30 to 39, 40 to 49, 50 to 59, and 60 and over. Prizes will be awarded to the top male and female runners overall, and to the top three finishers in each age category, male and female.

The age groups for the Children's Fun Run are 3 and under, 4 to 6, 7 to 9, and 10 to 12. All registered Fun Run participants will be rewarded.

For information on the run or to receive an application, call Essex County Parks Department at (201) 857-8530.

Cardinale "Times" MVP

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football or the goal in hockey. Therefore, it merits some serious attention. The new, Top 10 Pin List:

1. Dan Hywel 58
2. Isalah Cardinale 54
2. Joshua Cardinale 54
4. John Stampone 52
5. Marc Criscione 48
6. Dom Cerreto 47
7. Junior Nardone 45
8. Mike Gibbons 42
9. John Perna 39
9. George D'Alesandro 39

As with the win list, John Perna is still active and could take over the #1 spot here with a great senior campaign.

Buc Notes: Although this is a wrestling column, let's not forget about academics, the number one goal for every student. From the lineup entered in the districts, senior Mark Bianchini has the highest class ranking and will probably attend the University of Delaware in the fall. Mark was 18-6 this year, 41-17-1 lifetime.

Tickets for the Wrestling Awards Dinner are still available. The event will be held this Friday at 6:30 at the Chandelier in Belleville. For tickets or info, call 662-1061 or 748-6528.

Finally, a short recap of the season to close out this week's column: **Final Record - 13-2-1**

Bloomfield Holiday Tournament: 2nd Place

Essex County Tournament: 2nd Place

District 14 Championships: 1st Place

NNJL Pacific Division: tied - 1st Place with St. Joe's and Paramus.

See ya next week!

Piegaro's Final Top 20

1. Brick Memorial 13-0
2. Highland Regional 22-0

3. Jefferson 19-0
4. Paulsboro 20-1
5. Phillipsburg 16-5
6. Bergen Catholic 15-1
7. Kittatiny 14-5
8. Hunterdon Central 14-3
9. Buena 19-2
10. Lenape 14-1
11. East Brunswick 10-1
12. Delaware Valley 16-3
13. Voorhees 13-3
14. South Plainfield 13-2
15. North Hunterdon 11-4
16. Randolph 15-3
17. Oakcrest 13-5
18. High Point 14-7
19. Passaic Tech 13-4
20. Union 13-2

Notes on the Final Rankings:

1. Although Jefferson was ranked #1 for most of the year, their style of wrestling forced an about face on their merits. As a great team, they deserve a high ranking. But, after watching in the states and the sectionals, I could not in all good conscience give top ranking to a squad that stalls as much as they do from top to bottom in their lineup.

2. Phillipsburg, the top West Jersey team ever, will have to start wrestling more Jersey teams with higher rankings. I'm about fed up with the state rankings every year based on five or six New Jersey opponents and the rest of the 21 dual meets against Pennsylvania and Ohio schools.

3. Belleville was not close to making a final top 20 appearance. The chronic lack of solid upper weights, and the fact that the wrestling programs at Bergen Catholic and St. Joe's have surpassed our own, puts the Bucs in an unenviable position of an extended absence from post-season polls.

Belleville Boys' Tennis

Date	Opponent	Time	Place
Apr. 6	Eastside	4 p.m.	Away
Apr. 8	Kennedy	4 p.m.	Away
Apr. 13	Barringer	4 p.m.	Away
Apr. 15	Passaic	4 p.m.	Away
Apr. 20	Nutley	4 p.m.	Away
Apr. 22	Don Bosco	4 p.m.	Away
Apr. 25	St. Joseph	4 p.m.	Away
Apr. 27	Hackensack	4 p.m.	Away
Apr. 29	Paramus	4 p.m.	Away
May 2	Teaneck	4 p.m.	Away
May 4	Paramus Cath.	4 p.m.	Away
May 6	Nutley	4 p.m.	Away
May 9	Don Bosco	4 p.m.	Away
May 11	St. Joseph	4 p.m.	Away
May 13	Hackensack	4 p.m.	Away
May 16	Paramus	4 p.m.	Away
May 18	Teaneck	4 p.m.	Away
May 20	Paramus Cath.	4 p.m.	Away

Belleville Golf Team

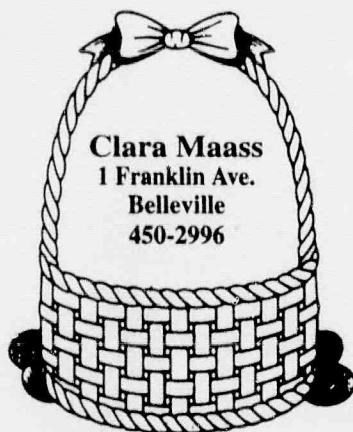
Date	Opponent	Site
Apr. 4	St. Peter's	Forest Hill
Apr. 5	Hackensack	Forest Hill
Apr. 11	Teaneck	Forest Hill
Apr. 12	Paramus Cath.	Forest Hill
Apr. 14	Bloomfield	Hendricks
Apr. 18	Paramus/Passaic	Forest Hill
Apr. 19	Kearny	Forest Hill
Apr. 20	Bergen Cath. & Barringer	High Mountains
May 9	Nutley	Upp. Montclair
May 10	Hackensack	Forest Hill
May 17	Don Bosco	Forest Hill
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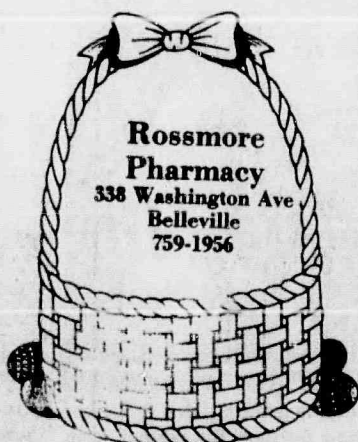
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Michael Simko, 74

Funeral arrangements for Michael Simko, 74, of Nutley, who died March 18 in the Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville, were under the direction of the S.W. Brown & Son Funeral Home, Nutley.

Mr. Simko was a machinist for Wallace & Tiernan in Belleville before retiring nine years ago. He was an Army veteran of

World War II and a member of Post 493 Veterans of Foreign Wars of Nutley and the Disabled American Veterans of Belleville.

Born in New York, Mr. Simko lived in Belleville before moving to Nutley 33 years ago.

Surviving are his wife, Joan; a daughter, Mrs. Evelyn Murphy; a son, Ivan; a brother, Lew Simms and three grandchildren.

Margaret Young

Mrs. Margaret A. Young of Belleville died March 19 in her home.

A Mass was offered March 22 in St. Mary's Church, Nutley.

Arrangements were by George Van Tassel's Community Funeral Home, Bloomfield.

Mrs. Young was a salesperson in the drapery hardware department at L. Bamberger & Son in Newark for 15 years, retiring in 1980.

Born in Newark, she lived in Kearny before moving to Belleville 24 years ago.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Georgann Thompson and Mrs. Lynn Ferguson; three sisters, Mrs. Helen Wadsworth, Mrs. Agnes Alexander and Mrs. Shirley McCann; six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Obituaries

Michael Canning, 53

Michael J. Canning, 53, of Belleville died March 18 in his home.

A Mass was offered March 21 in Holy Family Church, Nutley, after the funeral from the Kiernan Funeral Home, Belleville.

Mr. Canning was a press operator for 30 years with Eastern

Molding Co., Belleville, before retiring in 1991.

Born in Hoboken, he lived in Belleville for 34 years.

Surviving are his wife, Theresa; a daughter, Michelle; three sons, Phillip, Victor and Michael Jr.; two sisters, Kay and Mrs. Veronica Ulrich, and a grandchild.

Elsie Boice, 85

Mrs. Elsie B. Boice, 85, of West Milford died March 16 in her residence.

Services were held March 18 in the Harrison-Pucci Funeral Home, Nutley.

Born in Newnan, Ga., Mrs. Boice lived in Nutley for 40 years and in Belleville for 25 years before moving to West Milford six months

ago.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Thelma Hughes and Mrs. Anna Petti; two sons, David C. and Kenneth R. Jr.; a sister, Mrs. Martha McElhannon; six brothers, Matthew, Paul, Eddie, Grady, Joseph and David Starnes; 14 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

NOTICE TO PERSONS DESIRING CIVILIAN ABSENTEE BALLOTS

If you are a qualified and registered voter of the State who expects to be absent outside the State on May 10, 1994, or a qualified and registered voter who will be within the State on May 10, 1994, but because of permanent and total disability, or because of illness or temporary physical disability, or because of the observance of a religious holiday pursuant to the tenets of your religion, or because of resident attendance at a school, college, or university, or because of the nature and hours of employment, will be unable to cast your ballot at the polling place in your district on said date, and you desire to vote in the Municipal Election to be held on May 10, 1994, kindly complete the application form below and send to the undersigned, or write or apply in person to the undersigned at once requesting that a civilian absentee ballot be forwarded to you. Such request must state your home address, and the address to which said ballot should be sent, and must be signed with your signature, and state the reason you will not be able to vote at your usual polling place. No civilian absentee ballot will be furnished or forwarded to any applicant unless request therefor is received not less than seven days prior to the election, and contains the foregoing information.

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Liz A. Hetzel, 47

Services for Mrs. Liz A. Hetzel, 47, of Belleville were held March 18 in the S.W. Brown & Son Funeral Home, Nutley.

Mrs. Hetzel died March 15 in her home.

She was a data collector for Information Resources Corp., Fairfield, and earlier had been a hairdresser for the Colonial Coiffeurs

and Beauty Boutique, Upper Montclair.

Born in Glen Ridge, she lived in Nutley before moving to Belleville 10 years ago.

Surviving are her husband, John M.; a daughter, Melissa; a step-daughter, Karen; her father, Edward Werenski, and two brothers, Edward J. and John Werenski.

Dorothea Monaghan

Graveside services for Mrs. Dorothea A. Monaghan, 87, of Berkeley Township were held March 21 in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, East Orange. Arrangements were by the Quinn-Hopping Funeral Home, Toms River.

Mrs. Monaghan, who died March 17 in the Community Medical Center, Toms River, was a mathematician in the accounting

department of Walter Kidde Co., Belleville, before retiring in 1971.

Mrs. Monaghan was a member of the Rosary Altar Society of St. Mary's Church, Nutley.

Born in Newark, she lived in Belleville and Nutley before moving to Berkeley Township in 1991.

Mrs. Monaghan is survived by a sister, Mrs. Ann T. Williamson.

Edvige Anselmo, 83

Edvige Anselmo, 83, of East Orange died Feb. 14 in Columbus Hospital, Newark.

A Mass was offered Feb. 17 in St. Francis Xavier Church, Newark, after the funeral from the Megaro Memorial Home, Belleville.

Mrs. Anselmo had been an office worker with Wallace & Tiernan in Belleville for 15 years before her retirement in 1973.

Earlier, she had been employed in the same capacity with Curtiss-Wright in Caldwell for 10 years.

Mrs. Anselmo was a 1928 graduate of Drake's Business School in Newark.

Born in Belleville, she lived in East Orange since 1980.

Surviving is a sister, Mrs. Clementine M. Lally.

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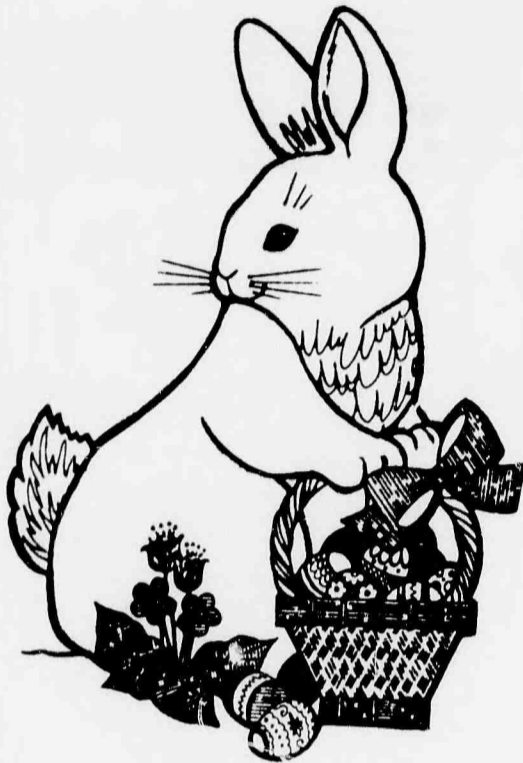
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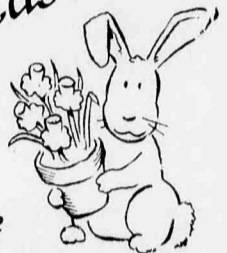


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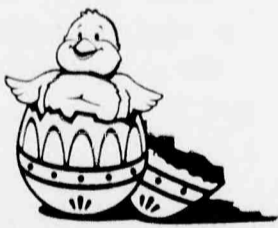
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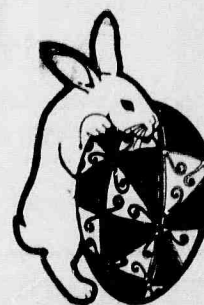
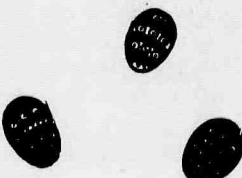
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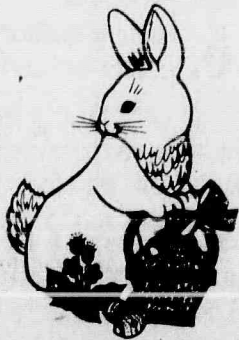
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Alzheimer's Assoc. 7:15 p.m. March 31, Park Manor Nursing Home, 23 Park Place, Bloomfield. Caregivers invited. Call 316-6676 or Jennifer Griff at Park Manor, 743-7772, for more information.

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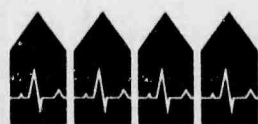


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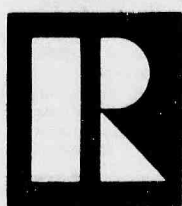
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Samara lived in Nutley until nine years ago, when he moved to the Great Notch section of Little Falls.

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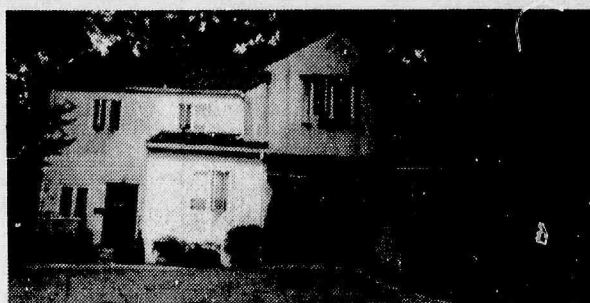
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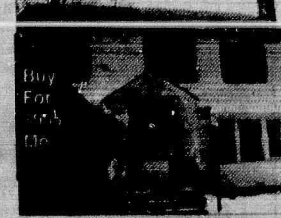
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Fresh All American, Blade Cut **Shoulder Lamb Chops** U.S.D.A. CHOICE lb. **1.99**

(Good Mar. 20-26) Hillshire Farm In Natural Juices Honey Cured Spiral Cut, Shank Half

Smoked Ham But Half lb. **2.49** **SAVE AN ADDITIONAL 2.00 PER Pkg. WITH PRICE PLUS club DISCOUNT**

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From Loin Portion, 9-11 Chops **Pork Chop Combination** lb. **1.49**

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Whole Green Beans, Sliced Beets, Sliced Carrots, Mixed Vegetables or Peas & Carrots

Green Giant Vegetables
Your Choice **3.10** 14.5 to 15-oz. cans

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(Good March 20-26) Sweet Ripe

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California Sunkist, 88 Size **Navel Oranges** 5 for **.99**

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Firm Ripe **ShopRite Tomatoes** 18-oz. pkg. **1.49**

U.S. #1 **Idaho Potatoes** 5-lb. bag **1.29**

Sun World **Devine Ripe Tomatoes** lb. **.99**

The Appy Place
Store Sliced Norwestern

Turkey Breast lb. **2.99**

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The Fresh Fish Market
Fresh (Good Mar. 20-26)

Salmon Fillet lb. **4.99** **SAVE AN ADDITIONAL 1.00 (1-LB. OR MORE) WITH PRICE PLUS club DISCOUNT**

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Corn, Peas, Peas & Carrots or Mixed

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22-Oz. Loaf Sandwich or Jumbo

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Resin

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ShopRite Mixed Vegetables **1/2 PRICE** **.49**

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Borden Ice Cream **.99**

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Green Giant Niblets Corn **6.199** FOR

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