

White Sox Take Possession Of First in Westfield Majors

The White Sox took over sole possession of first place in the Westfield Majors Baseball League as of May 5. The White Sox improved to 6-0, while the Mets suffered their first defeat, falling to 5-1.

The Mets beat the Yankees 2-0, but later fell from the unbeaten ranks with a 3-2 loss to the Cardinals. Michael Irving, Nick Fusaro and Mike Melillo combined for the shut-out and Max Fusaro had the key RBI.

The Cardinals trailed the Mets, 2-0, with two outs in the bottom of the sixth when they scored three times to pull out a 3-2 win. After Matt Reiss' two-out walk forced in Danny Liebowitz with the Cardinals first run, Harry Marino stole home to tie the game before Alex Colucci won it with a sharp single to right, scoring Steve Anzalone with the winning run. The Cardinals were sparked by a great first inning double play from Liebowitz to Danny Strauss. Irving and Nick Fusaro pitched well for the Mets.

In other action, the Orioles beat the Dodgers 10-7 scoring six runs in the first inning. Robert Granstrand had two hits, including a two-run double. The Orioles also turned two double plays. John Petrocelli pitched well, getting out of a tough third

inning jam, and Sean Mack had two hits for the Dodgers.

The Orioles also won 12-3 over the Yankees. A six-run first inning secured matters for the O's. Six O's hitters had two hits, while Luke Granstrand had three. Kevin Neylan drove in three runs including a two-run double and catcher Robert Granstrand made a fine diving stab of a foul ball.

The Yankees avenged their loss to the Mets with a 12-7 victory sparked by Justin Olsen's pair of three-run homers. Olsen and Brendan Burgdorf combined for the win. Joe Vall Llobera smacked a grand slam in a losing cause.

The O's closed the week by beating the Dodgers 18-2 with balanced hitting led by Neylan, Ryan KupperSmith, Josh Firestone and Robert and Luke Granstrand. Greg Mucci also had two hits, as well as turning in some fine glove work at short. Aidan Granstrand pitched two scoreless innings.

WESTFIELD MAJORS:
(As of May 5)

TEAM	W	L	T
Mets	5	2	0
White Sox	6	1	0
Orioles	3	2	1
Yankees	3	2	1
Cardinals	1	5	0
Dodgers	0	6	0

PUBLIC NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-2159-01
WELLS FARGO HOME MORTGAGE, INC., PLAINTIFF vs. DALTO A. MONCADA, ET AL., DEFENDANT.
CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED JUNE 26, 2001 FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PREMISES.
By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public vendue, at the Union County Administration Building, 1st Floor, 10 Elizabethtown Plaza, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY THE 5TH DAY OF JUNE A.D., 2002 at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.
The judgment amount is ONE-HUNDRED THIRTY TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY THREE & 95/100 (\$132,563.95).
The property to be sold is located in the city of Elizabeth in the County of Union, New Jersey.
Commonly known as: 59-61 Elmora Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey 07202
Tax Lot No. 443 W13 in Block 13
Dimensions of Lot: (approximately) 45 feet wide by 100 feet long
Nearest Cross Street: Situate on the northwesterly sideline of Murray Street with the northeasterly sideline of Elmora Avenue.
There is due approximately the sum of ONE-HUNDRED FIFTY ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY ONE & 23/100 (\$151,281.23) together with lawful interest and costs.
There is a full legal description on file in the Union County Sheriff's Office.
The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale.
RALPH FROELICH
SHERIFF

PUBLIC NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-3882-98
NORWEST MORTGAGE, INC., PLAINTIFF vs. NOEL NEGRON, ET AL., DEFENDANT.
CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED DECEMBER 27, 2000 FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PREMISES.
By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public vendue, at the Union County Administration Building, 1st Floor, 10 Elizabethtown Plaza, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY THE 22ND DAY OF MAY A.D., 2002 at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.
The judgment amount is ONE-HUNDRED NINE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY EIGHT & 01/100 (\$109,678.01).
Property to be sold is located in the City of Elizabeth, County of Union and State of New Jersey.
Premises commonly known as 440 Marshall Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey 07201.
BEING KNOWN AS LOT 931-W05, BLOCK 5, on the official Tax Map of the City of Elizabeth.
Dimensions: **25.00 feet x 100.00 feet x 25.00 feet x 100.00 feet**
Nearest Cross Street: **Fifth Street**
Subject to unpaid taxes, assessments, water and sewer liens.
There is due approximately the sum of ONE-HUNDRED FIFTY SIX THOUSAND SIXTY TWO & 15/100 (\$156,062.15) together with lawful interest and costs.
There is a full legal description on file in the Union County Sheriff's Office.
The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale.
RALPH FROELICH
SHERIFF



GRAND MARSHAL... Veteran Richard Mondrodt, Grand Marshal for the 2002 Memorial Day Parade, poses with the flag at his home in Westfield.

UC Summer Youth Baseball Registration Begins May 11

The Union County Baseball Association invites young baseball players - boys and girls - ages 8 to 15, to register for its Summer 2002 Youth League baseball teams. This annual youth baseball program is sponsored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the Union County Department of Parks and Recreation, and the Union County Baseball Association.

Sign-ups will be held at the Warinanco Park Boat House in Roselle on five Saturdays, beginning May 11 and continuing on May 18, June 1, June 8, and June 15, from 9 a.m. to noon each day.

Each player is required to bring a \$25 registration fee and a birth certificate to the sign-up. Players must be at least 8 years old by June 25 and cannot be 16 before August 2.

A new feature this year is a skill level evaluation at the time of registration, so all players must bring a glove when they show up to register. This is not a try-out or a draft - all those who register will participate.

For further information as to league divisions, length of season, etc., please call (908) 527-4910. There will be no refunds after Team Assignment Day, June 24.

PUBLIC NOTICE

BOROUGH OF FANWOOD

NOTICE OF SALE OF PROPERTY FOR NONPAYMENT OF TAXES ASSESSMENTS AND/OR OTHER MUNICIPAL LIENS

Public notice is hereby given that I, Colleen M. Huehn, Collector of Taxes of the Borough of Fanwood, County of Union will sell at public auction on **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2002**, in the Mayor and Council chambers at the Borough Municipal Building, 75 North Martine Avenue, Fanwood, New Jersey at 9:00 o'clock in the morning or at such later time and place to which said sale may then be adjourned, all of the several lots and parcels of land assessed to the respective persons whose names are set opposite each respective parcel as the owner thereof for the total amount of municipal liens chargeable against said lands respectively, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:5-1, et seq. As computed to the 5th day of June, 2002.

Take further notice that the hereinafter described lands will be sold for the amount of municipal liens chargeable against each parcel of said land assessed as one parcel, together with interest and costs to the date of the sale. Said lands will be sold at the lowest rate of interest bid, not to exceed 18%. Payment for said parcels shall be made prior to the conclusion of the sale in the form of cash, certified check or money order or other method previously approved by the Tax Collector or the property will be resold. Properties for which there are no other purchasers shall be struck off and sold to the Borough of Fanwood at an interest rate of 18%.

At any time before the sale I will accept payment of the amount due on any property with interest and costs. Payments must be in the form of cash, certified check or money order.

Industrial properties may be subject to the Spill Compensation and Control Act (N.J.S.A. 58-10-23.11 et seq.), the Water Pollution Control Act (N.J.S.A. 58-10A-1 et seq.) and the Industrial Site Recovery Act (N.J.S.A. 13:1K-6 et seq.). In addition, the municipality is precluded from issuing a tax sale certificate to any prospective purchaser who is or may be in any way connected to the prior owner or operator of the site.

In the event that the owner of the property is on Active Duty in the Military Service, the Tax Collector should be notified immediately.

The lands to be sold are described in accordance with the last tax duplicate as follows:

BLOCK	LOT	ASSESSED TO	LOCATION	TOTAL DUE
1	006	McMoran, I&J & Ayala, J.	25 Madison Avenue	\$5,947.42
2	010	Barnes, William J.	177 N. Martine Avenue	\$1,024.08
3	027	Clark, Charles & Jill	162 Farley Avenue	\$2,863.24
4	082	Fischbein, Gerald & Ellen	156 Vinton Circle	\$2,877.12
5	116	Slaughter, Keith	21 Roosevelt Avenue	\$ 157.04
6	116	Terry, Janet P.	4 Saville Row	\$4,232.57
7	119	Geo. James & Dorothy	12 Jefferson Avenue	\$8,375.04
8	120	Felton, James	13 Jefferson Avenue	\$ 231.70

Colleen M. Huehn
Collector of Taxes
Fee: \$289.68

Grand Marshal Selected For Memorial Day Parade

By JENNIFER PINTO
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times

WESTFIELD - The Annual Westfield Memorial Day Parade, scheduled for Monday, May 27, will pay tribute to all men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice for their country, beginning at 9 a.m. with services at the Monument to Veterans of World War I in the center of the town. Participants will assemble at the Lord & Taylor parking lot at 8 a.m. Richard Mondrodt has been selected as the Grand Marshal of this year's parade.

Inducted into the Army in 1942 at Fort Dix, Mr. Mondrodt was sent to Camp Phillips in Salina, Kan., and assigned to the 79th Engineer Combat Battalion for basic training. He went to Tennessee for Army maneuvers and then to Camp Stoneman in Oakland, Calif. Mr. Mondrodt shipped out on a 29-day trip to Good Enough Island near New Guinea and Australia, during which time he suffered from an injured foot and pneumonia and also came down with Malaria in the jungles of New Guinea.

On October 20, 1944, Mr. Mondrodt landed in the Philippines on Leyte Island. He said he and his fellow troops were positioned close to the Japanese Army and that the bombing started immediately. On his way to Mindoro on a Landing Ship Transport (L.S.T.) vessel, his ship was attacked by Japanese Kamikaze planes. "One Kamikaze came right at us in the middle of the ship; we kept firing and at the last minute he did a little flip and hit us in the tail, which set off the ammunition and explosives. The L.S.T. in back of us was one blast and everyone was lost," stated Mr. Mondrodt. In August 1945, he was issued his winter clothing and was instructed on how to remove mines from the water. The dropping of the atomic bomb in southern Japan brought Mr. Mondrodt back to Leyte.

On December 30, 1945, he arrived in Los Angeles, Calif., where he caught a flight to New York. He arrived at Penn Station in New York City, where he was robbed of his belongings, including all his winter clothing. Wrapping up his career with the Army upon his return to Fort Dix, on January 24, 1946, he married the following year and moved to Irvington. He lived there until 1970, when he moved to Westfield. He is retired from Red Devil Inc., where he served as a plant manager until 1971.

This year's parade route will start

at East Broad Street, go left onto Elm Street, right onto Orchard Street, and right onto Mountain Avenue, past the Revolutionary Cemetery, where the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution will hold memorial services. The parade will then continue on East Broad Street up to the final ceremonies at Fairview Cemetery.

During these next few weeks, and again around Veterans Day in November, many people will see veterans selling artificial red poppies. The flowers are best described and inspired by the poem "In Flanders Fields," written by Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae, M.D. (1872-1918) of the Canadian forces, before the United States entered World War I.

In Flanders Fields
*In Flanders Fields the poppies
blow
Between the crosses, row on row
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.*

*We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,
In Flanders fields.*

*Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.*

The bright, red poppies grow throughout fields and roadsides in parts of Europe between May and July. Selling replicas of the Flanders poppy began in Allied countries after the Armistice to help children in the devastated areas of Belgium and France.

In the 1920s, the Veterans of Foreign Wars came up with the "buddy poppy," which was started by needy veterans and spread across the country. The American Legion, which adopted the poppy as an official flower, has been selling the paper flowers since 1923. The poppy sales are based on one idea: "Honoring the dead by helping the living." All proceeds go to veteran assistance programs that help disabled veterans who fought for the United States.

For more information on the Memorial Day Parade, please call Stan Cuba at (908) 233-2767.

Laura Torgersen Earns Dean's List Recognition

FANWOOD - Laura Torgersen of Fanwood has been placed on the Dean's List for the fall 2001 semester at Virginia Tech, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in Blacksburg, Va.

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