

LEO RAPS 2-RUN DOUBLE, BUTTS BOPS 2-RUN SINGLE

Hungry Cardinal Boys Rattle Blue Devil Diamond Boys, 8-5

By DAVID B. CORBIN
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times

Being ranked No. 11 on May 7, then losing to Kearny, 5-0, on the same day most likely jostled the emotions of the Westfield High School baseball team. Two days later, the sting of that defeat seemed to carry over when the hungry Plainfield Cardinals alit in Westfield, soared to an 8-1 lead and held on to fly home with an 8-5 victory.

"A lot of the kids figured, after losing to Kearny, we should have been raring to go. Everybody thought they were but we just didn't do it on the field," explained Blue Devil Head

Coach Bob Brewster. "An old coach of mine said 'talking isn't doing, doing is doing'. That's one of the things we've got to work on, getting the activity done on the field."

The 10-3-1 Blue Devils did get it going a bit in the bottom of the first to take a 1-0 lead. Ben Keket, who reached first safely on a throwing error and scooted to second, moved to third on Jay Cook's single down the first baseline, then scored on a passed ball.

However, from that point until the sixth inning, the Blue Devils' batting zest nearly ceased, only Jim McKeon managed to beat out an infield single.

Blue Devil pitcher Joe Wisniewski, who had performed well in the first two innings, ran into control problems in the top of the third. The first two Cardinals drew walks and the next batter, Eladio Ortiz, reached on an error. One run scored on a throwing error then Jose Reyes tapped an RBI single and John Ortiz sliced a two-run single to put the Cardinals up, 4-1.

In the fourth, the left-handed Cardinal, Eladio Ortiz, who weighs all of 120 pounds, launched a two-run missile into the trees well over the 350-foot marker in right field. Then in the sixth, the Cardinals chirped with a two-run single by Kaz Beverly to command an 8-1 lead. The inning ended when Keket made a brilliant face, diving catch in center.

Finally, in the bottom of the sixth, electricity came back into the Blue Devils' bats. After Keket fled out to center, Cook lined a double to right off Cardinal ace pitcher Eladio Ortiz. Blair Richardson and McKeon both walked and Brian Butts chopped a two-run single up the middle. John Leonardis followed with a two-run double to right to tighten the score to 8-5.

"We hit the ball hard that last

inning," said Brewster. "We hadn't hit the ball hard since before the Kearny game."

With respect to future games and the upcoming Union County quarterfinal game with Brearley that was played on May 11, the Blue Devils need to regroup mentally. Brewster commented, "I know these kids too well. I know their abilities. I know we are going to come back."

Plainfield	004	202	0	8
Westfield	100	004	0	5



David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times
ATTEMPTING THE PICKOFF...Blue Devil pitcher Joe Wisniewski tosses to first baseman Blair Richardson in an attempt to pickoff Cardinal Lamar Reyes. The Cardinals defeated the Blue Devils, 8-5.

PICARO TRIPLES, SINGLES, SCORES

Devils Take Bears, 6-2 In UC Baseball Tourney

By DAVID B. CORBIN
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times

The second-seeded Westfield High School baseball team took another step in its quest for an 11th Union County championship by defeating seventh-seeded Brearley, 6-2, in Westfield on May 11. Senior Jay Cook limited the Bears to four hits and senior Brett Picaro provided some of the offense with a triple and a single while scoring a run.

There may have been some question about the Blue Devils' performance after losing, 5-0, to Kearny on May 6, 8-5, to Plainfield on May 8 and, 11-8, to Elizabeth on May 10. However, the Blue Devils put it together with fine fielding, wisely took advantage of Brearley mistakes and got their offensive machine working.

Cook, who finished with five strikeouts, had a shaky start in the first inning and the Bears tapped him for two runs. Ruhan Rodriguez singled and later scored when Dan Zika reached safely on an error then Steve Byars followed with an RBI single. From that point on, Cook foiled the Bears.

In the bottom of the first, Ben Keket and Cook both singled and Josh Ludmer reached base on an error. With the help of Brearley miscues, all three scored.

In the bottom of the second, the Blue Devils took a 6-2 lead with three more runs. John Leonardis, who finished with two hits, smacked a double, Jim McKeon reached safely on an error and Leonardis scored. Picaro singled and stole a base. McKeon scored and Cook ripped an RBI double.

"It was a good comeback after a rough week. Nothing we did, worked. Today, it was a tough first inning. We gave up a couple of runs but we got the ball in play, made some things happen and that was the difference in the game," said Blue Devil Head Coach Bob Brewster. "One of the things about this team, we can punt. If we get the ball in play, things will happen and if they don't make the plays, we are going to take advantage of it. I was pleased with the way we played today. It was a tough week. We really doubted ourselves. Winning cures a lot of ills. We are going to keep going and take a shot at it (Union County title)."

According to Brewster the Blue Devils' defensive efforts were "much improved today. We had a lot of nice plays by all the infielders. Blair (Richardson) made a nice tag play on a bad throw. Jim McKeon made a nice play on a slow roller and made a good snap throw. Mike Sofka did a great backhand play and Brett (Picaro) made a nice play behind second base. Jay (Cook) and Josh (Ludmer) worked really well together around the plate. Jay kept mixing things up. It's hard for anybody to know what he is going to throw."

Westfield will play Plainfield in the semifinals on Saturday at Rahway.

Brearley	200	000	0	2
Westfield	330	00	x	6

TOWNSHIP OF SCOTCH PLAINS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **May 29, 2002 at 8:00 P.M.** in the Municipal Building, 430 Park Avenue, Scotch Plains, New Jersey the Scotch Plains Planning Board will hold a public hearing to consider the following appeal:

Evangel Church for a Site Plan Amendment in conjunction with a proposed addition to the building located at **1251 Terrill Road (Block 11603, Lots 15 and 15.01)**, Scotch Plains.

All interested persons may be present and heard.

The file pertaining to this application is available in the Office of the Planning Board, 430 Park Avenue, 2nd Floor, Scotch Plains, New Jersey, and is available for public inspection during regular office hours.

Barbara J. Hovey
Secretary to the Planning Board
Township of Scotch Plains
1 T - 5/16/02, The Times Fee: \$20.91

PUBLIC NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-5609-00

CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF vs. CARIDAD PRADOS, ET AL., DEFENDANT.

CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED SEPTEMBER 28, 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 12TH 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 FORTY FIVE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY AND 2/100 (\$141,740.62).

The property to be sold is located in the CITY OF ELIZABETH in the County of UNION, and the State of New Jersey.

Tax Lot: 457 BLOCK: 4

COMMONLY KNOWN AS 447 FERN PLACE, ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY 07202

Dimensions of the Lot are (Approximately) 170 feet wide by 25 feet long.

Nearest Cross Street: Situated on the NORTHEASTERLY side of FERN PLACE.

THE SALE IS SUBJECT TO UNPAID TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, TAX, WATER AND SEWER LIENS AND OTHER MUNICIPAL ASSESSMENTS. THE AMOUNT CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE LOCAL TAXING AUTHORITY.

There is due approximately the sum of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY TWO THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED TWO & 82/100 (\$152,902.82) 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 FROEHLICH
SHERIFF

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Marlton, New Jersey 08053
CH-756575 - (WL)
4 T - 5/16, 5/23, 5/30
& 6/6/02 Fee: \$212.16

FEDERMAN AND PHELAN, P.C.
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216 Haddon Avenue
Westmont, New Jersey 08108
CH-755602 - (WL)
4 T - 5/16, 5/23, 5/30
& 6/6/02 Fee: \$183.60

There is due approximately the sum of TWO HUNDRED EIGHTEEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FORTY EIGHT & 37/100 (\$218,648.37) 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 FROEHLICH
SHERIFF

1 T - 5/16/02, The Leader Fee: \$61.71

1 T - 5/16/02, The Times Fee: \$61.20



Fred Lecomte for The Westfield Leader and The Times
COMPLETING A FINE PLAY...Second baseman Kellie LaForge, No. 9, makes the putout at second. LaForge also had a great day at the plate with three hits and two runs scored.

PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWN OF WESTFIELD INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received by the Town of Westfield in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Building, 425 East Broad Street, Westfield, New Jersey, at 10:00 AM prevailing time on Monday, June 10, 2002, for the "2002 CURB REPLACEMENT PROGRAM, WESTFIELD, NEW JERSEY". The roadway and locations associated with this contract are as follows:

Standish Avenue - Birch Avenue to Cedar Terrace (900 L.F.)

Coleman Place - Dudley Avenue, West to Seneca Place (4,500 L.F.)

The work under this Proposal includes the furnishing of all labor, materials and equipment necessary to complete the work as shown on the Contract Drawings and described in the Contract Specifications, and Proposals shall be in accordance with such Drawings and Specifications and the terms proposed in the Contract. The work consists primarily of the construction of approximately 5,400 lineal feet of granite block curb, 4,500 square feet of 6 inch thick concrete, 500 square feet of 4 inch thick concrete, 100 square yards of bituminous concrete driveway, 2,450 square yards of top soil & sod and other related items.

The successful bidder shall start construction ten (10) days after notice of award of Contract is given, and shall complete all work within forty-five (45) working days after the start of construction.

Proposals shall be in writing on the forms furnished and must be delivered at the place and before the hour above mentioned, and must be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond payable to the Town of Westfield in an amount equal to at least ten percent (10%) of the base amount of the bid, but not less than \$500.00 nor more than \$20,000.00. Each bid must also be accompanied by a Surety Company Certificate stating that said Surety company will provide the bidder with the required Performance bond in the full amount of the Contract, by a Non-Collusion Affidavit and a Contractor's Qualification Statement, Statement of Ownership, on the forms included in and explained in the contract documents.

Bidders must be in compliance with all provisions of Chapter 127 P.L. 1975 supplement to the law against discrimination (Affirmative Action) and must pay workmen the prevailing wage rates promulgated by the New Jersey State Department of Labor and Industry for this project, copies of which are on file in the Office of the Town Engineer.

Plans and specifications may be seen or procured at the office of the Town Engineer, Public Works Center, 959 North Avenue West, Westfield, New Jersey. The non-refundable cost of contract documents is \$25.00 made payable to the Town of Westfield, which must be paid in cash or certified check. The Mayor and Council reserve the right to reject any bid, and to waive any informality in any bid, if in the interest of the Town, it is deemed advisable to do so.

Kenneth B. Marsh
Town Engineer

1 T - 5/16/02, The Leader Fee: \$61.71

1 T - 5/16/02, The Times Fee: \$61.20

PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWNSHIP OF SCOTCH PLAINS ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **JUNE 6, 2002 at 7:30 p.m.** in the Municipal Building, 430 Park Avenue, Scotch Plains, New Jersey, the Scotch Plains Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing to consider the following appeal:

S. Pettit for a Variance to permit the construction of an addition at the property located at **2264 Coles Avenue (Block 3603, Lot 6)**, Scotch Plains, from the following section of the Zoning Ordinance:

Section 23-3-4A, Paragraph H, Column 7a whereby minimum setback from a side street required for a corner lot is fifteen (15) feet; proposed: approximately 11.7 feet [by plan].

Robert and Patricia Fiorino for a Variance to permit the construction of a deck at the property located at **2239 Lyde Place (Block 3004, Lot 18)**, Scotch Plains, from the following section of the Zoning Ordinance:

Section 23-3-4A, Paragraph H, Column 10 whereby minimum rear-yard setback required is thirty (30) feet; proposed: approximately twenty (20) feet [by scale].

C. Allen for a Variance to permit the construction of a rear porch at the property located at **864 Ternay Avenue (Block 7301, Lot 7)**, Scotch Plains, from the following section of the Zoning Ordinance:

Section 23-3-4A, Paragraph G, Column 10 whereby minimum rear-yard setback required is thirty (30) feet; proposed: approximately twenty (20) feet.

Wayne Smith for a Use Variance and Waiver of Site Plan to permit a take-out food establishment at the property located at **1508 Front Street a.k.a. 111 Terrill Road (Block 201, Lot 20.01)**, Scotch Plains, from the following section of the Zoning Ordinance:

Section 23-3-11a, Permitted Primary Uses, B-2 Zone whereby a take-out food establishment without inside seating, is not a permitted use.

Efim Roitman for a Use Variance and Waiver of Site Plan for a change of use from an automobile repair shop to a convenience store at the property located at **2435 Route 22 West (Block 4802, Lot 1)**, Scotch Plains, contrary to the following section of the Zoning Ordinance:

Section 23-5.2 Permitted Conditional Uses, does not provide for convenience stores in conjunction with motor vehicle service stations.

All interested persons may be present and heard.

The file pertaining to this application is in the Office of the Zoning Board of Adjustment, 430 Park Avenue, 2nd Floor, Scotch Plains, and is available for public inspection during regular office hours.

Linda M. Lies
Secretary to the Zoning Board of Adjustment
Township of Scotch Plains

1 T - 5/16/02, The Times Fee: \$61.20

PENNELLA SMACKS GAME-WINNING DOUBLE IN 7TH

Raiders Rally in 7th, Startle Irvington Softballers, 11-10

The Blue Knights struck first with 5 hits in the top of the second resulting in six runs. The Raiders answered with one run in the bottom of the inning on back-to-back singles by LaForge and Kelly Lusk, and an RBI

runs to regain a 9-7 lead. The Raiders chipped off a run in the bottom of the fifth when Megan Reddington poked a single and scored on Kellie LaForge's RBI double. Irvington scored in the seventh



Fred Lecomte for The Westfield Leader and The Times
BIG RUN PRODUCER...Raider freshman Taylor Cianciotti had two hits and four RBI against the Lady Blue Knights.

from Jodi Fiorino.

In the top of the third, Katrina Ware tripled, then scored on an infield error but the Raiders came back immediately with four runs to tighten the score, 7-5. LaForge singled and swiped second. Laura Manzi rapped an RBI double. Pennella singled and Caitlin McNellis walked to load the bases. Cianciotti stepped to the plate and crushed a two-run double and Chrissie Cardiale added an RBI single.

Two more Raiders scored in the fourth to tie the score when Cianciotti drilled another two-run double.

"Perhaps the key to my hitting has been my concentration and getting the timing down when I'm on deck," summarized Cianciotti.

In the fifth, Irvington scored two

PUBLIC NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-566-99

BANKERS TRUST COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA, N.A., AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF PACIFIC AMERICA HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST SERIES 1998-1, PLAINTIFF vs. JOSEPH MERCY, ET AL., DEFENDANT.

CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED DECEMBER 07, 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 29TH 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 FORTY THREE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY SEVEN & 31/100 (\$143,177.31).

The property to be sold is located in the City of Elizabeth, County of Union, State of New Jersey.

Commonly known as: 507 Riverside Drive, Elizabeth, New Jersey

Tax Lot No. 1313, Block No. 11

Dimensions of Lot: BEGINNING at a point in the easterly line of Riverside Drive distant northerly along the same 57 feet from the corner formed by the intersection of the said easterly line of Riverside Drive and the northerly line of Parker Road and running thence:

1) north 68 degrees 40 minutes east, 98.48 feet; thence 2) north 21 degrees 20 minutes west, 29.54 feet; thence 3) north 68 degrees 40 minutes east, 31.52 feet; thence 4) North 21 degrees 20 minutes west, 27.46 feet; thence 5) south 68 degrees 40 minutes west, 130 feet to the easterly line of Riverside Drive and thence; 6) along the easterly line of Riverside Drive, south 21 degrees 20 minutes east, 57 feet to the point or place of beginning.

Subject to: Tax Sale Certificate No. 00-6151, Amount: \$4,260

Nearest Cross Street: Parker Road

There is due approximately the sum of ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED THIRTY FIVE & 72/100 (\$181,335.72) 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 FROEHLICH
SHERIFF

GEORGE CRETELLA, ESQ.
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218 Cambridge Drive
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4 T - 5/2, 5/9, 5/16
& 5/23/02 Fee: \$238.68

1 T - 5/16/02, The Times Fee: \$61.20

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and appeared to have the game somewhat secured with a 10-8 edge. Not so, as the Raiders rebounded to score another run prior to Pennella's two-run double for the victory.

Winning pitcher McNelis commented after the game. "I was a little shaken after that second inning. My arm was really getting tight, because mentally, I was losing it a little, so I started using my legs as much as possible to push off. I just kept thinking we can beat this team, I know we can. We came back from other setbacks before, so this should not be any different. So, I just went out there and put it back together. Actually I was gaining speed near the end of the game."

"You know the kids kept hanging in there, hanging in there and hanging in there. That was an important accomplishment for us," said Raider Head Coach Frank Butz. "Irvington is a good club. They made a lot of good fielding plays and had a lot of good hits. It was just a tough game. I'm proud of all the kids, the way they came back."

Irvington scored in the seventh

PUBLIC NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-5863-01

CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF vs. BRIAN SLATIN and MRS. BRIAN SLATIN, WIFE OF BRIAN SLATIN, DEFENDANT.

CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED JANUARY 4, 2002 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 12TH 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 FORTY THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY FOUR & 21/100 (\$140,274.21).

REAL ESTATE TAX DISCLOSURE

If designated below, there are liens in the estimated sum as specified below. Plaintiff advises that the municipal tax office should be contacted to obtain any additional tax amounts that may be due.

1. Water: \$1,613.39 plus penalties

CONCISE DESCRIPTION

1. The property to be sold is commonly known as: 33 Bond Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey 07202.

2. Tax Block No.: Ward#: 1 Lot No.: Acct#: 832

3. Dimensions of lot: 25.00 x 100.00

4. Nearest cross street: Third Street

There is due approximately the sum of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THREE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED THIRTY FIVE & 00/100 (\$153,038.00) 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 FROEHLICH
SHERIFF

HUBSCHMAN & ROMAN
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
318 Bergen Boulevard
Palisades Park, New Jersey 07650
CH-756582 - (WL)
4 T - 5/16, 5/23, 5/30
& 6/6/02 Fee: \$193.80

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