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DRIVING THROUGH THE DEFENSE...Blue Devil Dave Kane, No. 14, drives past Cougar Mike Guarriello, No. 3, during their game at Kean University.

Cougars Jump on Blue Devils

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with eight rebounds. He also added 10 points, three steals and an assist. Sophomore Chris Boutsikaris scored 14 points, including three 3-pointers, and sophomore Parker Hess hit a pair of 3-pointers and finished with eight points. Junior Sean Elliott (3 rebounds, blocked shot, 2 steals) also finished with eight points.

"We didn't come ready to play at all today. I am disappointed. I am disappointed with our team. We played like crap to open up and we couldn't fight back into the game. It was awful," Kane expressed.

The Cougars not only were a jump ahead of the Blue Devils in rebounding, especially in the first half, but also, they were having much success with rapid, cross-court passing to set up their shots.

"In between quarters, coach [Chris] Loeffler was looking at what they were doing defensively. He diagrammed a couple of things up. We did it and we got it done," Coach Huber said.

Cougars Mike Guarriello and Cameron Kutzer also left a lasting impression on the court, especially in the absence of senior starter John Oblachinski, who had been away for college interviews the past several days. Guarriello sank 13 points, while adding five rebounds, two assists and two steals. Kutzer led the team with 10 rebounds and netted 12 points. Luke Christiano had six points, four assists, four rebounds and two thefts. Jack

Schetelich had four points and Jack McCaffrey (3 rebounds) had two points.

"Mike and Cameron have really stepped up the last two games through Johnny's absence and really played great. Cameron, especially, has played unbelievably the last two games. If we keep continuing like this, we are going to be a tough team to beat," Coach Huber said.

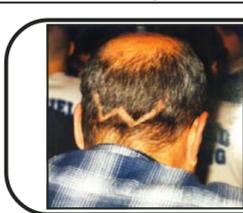
The Blue Devils actually carried a 6-2 lead midway through the first quarter, but the Cougars abruptly answered with 11 unanswered points, including a pair of 3-pointers from Trotter, to grab a 13-6 lead. Three pointers from Trotter and Kutzer opened the door for a 14-5 run in the second quarter and a 27-11 lead at the half.

Twenty three of the Cougars' 34 points in the second half came from the free throw line. The Cougars, who were 5-for-8 from the line in the first half, hit 28 of 37 free throws for 76 percent. The Blue Devils finished 11-for-18 (61 percent) from the line.

"It's the work that they are putting in. Sometimes a loss opens our eyes. I think our loss to Roselle really opened our eyes. We did what we could do. We had a couple of great days of practice. We just got to keep the momentum going forward," Coach Huber said.

"Like I said, 'We didn't come out to play.' We got destroyed. This was an awful loss for us," Kane said.

Cranford	13	14	16	18	61
Westfield	6	5	8	28	47



Devil's Den Girls Off to Best Start ... Since the '24 Team

By BRUCE JOHNSON
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times

The WHS girls basketball team is off to a 9-0 start. The last time they got off to a start like that was ... never ... well, maybe.

Under coach Martha Wheelock and led by scoring machine Ruth Miller, the 1924 WHS girls team took a two-year unbeaten streak of over 20 games into a best-of-three series against Guthrie, Okla., for the mythical "national championship" - the best of the East (well, New Jersey anyhow) vs. the best of the West (well, Oklahoma). Guthrie, which is located 33 miles north of Oklahoma City, won that series 2-1 in games played at Roselle Park's brand-new gym. (Westfield's final record after the series was 12-2 after they settled the "New Jersey's champion" claim with a 34-11 post-Guthrie game against unbeaten Red Bank.)

But the girls basketball program, one of the most successful sports at the old Elm Street building - the 1924 "state" championship had been their fourth in five years - was discontinued in 1926 and wasn't restored until 1973 under coach Kathy Luckey. The modern records have been up and down, as shown by the 386 wins and 490 losses record coming into 2013-14.

To be sure, there have been some outstanding teams:

In 1976 (18-6) and 1979 (15-7) under coach Greg Gorski.

In 1988 (17-6) and 1990 (19-6) under coach Dave Shapiro.

In 1998 (15-6) under coach Kathy Hauser.

And in 2007 (19-9) and 2008 (17-7) under current coach Joe Marino.

But there have also been some very deep valleys in between those peak seasons. Marino, who has an outstanding won-loss record as the freshman football and baseball coach since 1986-87, was just a 14-89 record in his first six years with the girl hoopsters. But he rebounded with the 2008 Union County Tournament championship and Coach of the Year awards from *The Star-Ledger* and *Courier-News*. Then in 2011 the record fell to 3-18.

Again there is a definite up-tick this winter, with juniors Lily Scott and Jackie Knapp leading the way. Coming off a 15-11 season, the current team puts a different spin on the term go-go girls. They go-go-go and

then they go some more. It's recommended you check your pockets when you leave the gym to make sure you still have your wallet.

The normal starting team includes Scott, Knapp, sophomore Olivia Luzzi, senior Carly Friedman and sophomore Rachel Mattessich. They've been helped immensely of late by the boardwork of sophomore Amelia Montes and freshman Hannah Liddy. Morgan Maloney adds senior leadership whenever she's on the court. Shannon McDevitt provides depth at the 3-guard, forward and center positions. Big things had been expected from sophomore center Ann-Sophie Koglin, whose season ended after an ACL injury during a preseason scrimmage. And the team got some good news when Jamie Miller, who missed all of last year following ACL surgery after scoring 130 as a freshman (third on the team behind Scott and Knapp), was cleared to return to practice.

That this year's team is off to such a start was not unexpected. At the Thanksgiving Day football game with Plainfield, Marino was antsy on the sidelines to get the season started. "We're going to be very good this year," he said. "I can't wait to get started."

Scott and Knapp were the main reason for that optimism, and the duo has been quite dynamic. After scoring 299 and 264, respectively, as freshmen, they came back 382 and 366 as sophomores. That's 681 and 630 points in two years. And this winter has been more of the same, with Scott and Knapp again 1-2 in scoring, assists, steals. Both are on pace to challenge Erin Miller's career scoring mark and career 3-pointers record. And Knapp is a threat to set Miller's record for career steals. Miller's career assists record appears safe.

This is a team that is shaping up as another title contender in the UCT, which starts Feb. 14. And maybe even a threat to go deep into the state tournament, which begins in March. Anybody know how the Guthrie Bluejays are doing this winter?

BASKETBALL UPDATE

Chris Wright will make his WHS varsity debut tomorrow night when the Blue Devils visit SP-F in the Raiders' Roost. The 6-foot-9 transfer from St. Peter's Prep grew up in town and

played with most of the current varsity players on travel teams.

His sweet touch will be an added attraction to an already fun team that includes seniors Dylan Elliott, David Kane, Ben Schuman, Chris Sweeney, juniors Sean Elliott and Mitch Figueroa, and sophomores Parker Hess, Owen Murray and Chris Boutsakaris.

And don't forget Danny Mitchell. The junior guard transferred back from St. Peter's a year ago and had an outstanding sophomore year (137 points, 101 assists) as WHS's point guard before a summer ACL injury sidelined him. He's been rehabbing and if he is able to return this year, that would make a very solid roster for the county (late February) and state (early March) tournaments.

SWIMMING UPDATE

The Blue Devils' begin their annual Crusades today when they host top-ranked Christian Brothers (boys) and Mount St. Mary (girls). The fun continues next Wednesday when Bergen Catholic (boys) and Immaculate Heart (girls) visit the Wallace Pool. Both double duals begin at 2:30.

They are all quality opponents, but the two key meets in all that are the ones against CBA and IHA. The Colts are currently ranked No. 1 and deservedly so. They beat prep power Peddie, 86-84, in December and their times that day were nothing short of eye-opening. And IHA is the former No. 1 team that lost its top ranking to Westfield several years ago and hasn't gotten it back, though not for lack of trying.

The fun of these meets is the constant search to find an 'A' lineup, and also seeing how fast that lineup can be. It's a fine line to be drawn by coach Jeff Knight, between winning - and thus being ranked No. 1 - and competing against the best teams, to see how fast you can be in the middle of a heavy training period, not tapered and shaved as CBA was when it beat Peddie.

DID YOU KNOW ...

... that Westfield had six champions at the 1973 New Jersey AAU Junior Olympics Wrestling Tournament?

In the Midget (10-and-under) division, Harry Bourque won at 80 pounds and Dan Iannascio won at 100. In the Junior (11-12) division, John Iglar

won at 105. And in the Intermediate (13-14) division, Dave Tinsesz (85), Joe Birmingham (112) and Chris Harvey (170) won titles. Westfield's six champions were second to Phillipsburg's nine, but ahead of state powers Flemington (five) and Washington (four).

All six of those future Blue Devils went on to capture district championships - if not more - in high school. And Tinsesz, Birmingham, Iglar and Iannascio were also future Union County Tournament champions. We bring that up because this year's 39th UCT is this weekend at Union. The tournament's first year was 1976 and Westfield has won it eight times, including the first six years.

The WHS wrestlers dropped a 39-26 decision to unbeaten Whippany Park last Friday, despite just an 8-6 split in weights. And one of those losses was Nick Kalimtzis' 1-0 setback when he moved up a weight to 126. Four straight Whippany pins (182-195-220-285) were the difference. On Saturday the locals improved to 5-4 with a sweep of Piscataway and Trenton.

IN THE (E)MAIL

Got an email from Eddie Thorne ('64), now located up in Plymouth, Mass. He was talking about the great athletes on the other teams back the day, and the attitude of the WHS athletes. Thorne, you may recall, is the Faithful Reader who - it'll be 50 years later this summer - still has not gotten over Post 3's loss to Brooklawn on the final Sunday of the 1964 state American Legion finals. (PS: That's an attitude that the Den wholeheartedly endorses!)

"We had a certain bravado back then. You know, like, 'Hey, we know (Plainfield halfback) Vic Washington, (Hillside basketballer) Bill Shutsky and (Clark quarterback-pitcher) Frank Spaz(iani) are good. But we beat them."

"By the way, opening game senior year, April 10, we were no-hit by the Spaz. I beat out a hit to shortstop late in the game but the hometown scorekeeper ruled it an error. We beat him later in the year at home."

BLUE DEVIL UPDATE

Former Booster president Gig Manville wrote concerning our search for former 'Blue Devil' mascots. He informed us that his daughter Allison was indeed the Blue Devil during the 1992 football season. She is now a recent mom (Amanda) and a college professor living in Michigan.

Also heard via email from Tom Castellone, who said his sisters Kate and Mary were both former 'Blue Devil' mascots. (They both verified.) Tom was a member of the Conquistadores team that went 9-1 and won the Western Division of Westfield Boys Basketball League in 1973. Also on those Q's were Jim Piantkoski, Doug Newsome, Flip Amato, Jimmy Feingold, Kevin Sullivan and Jim Belcher.

We have verified the 'Blue Devil' for every year from 1958 (Peter Vogt) through 1992 (Allison Manville) with the exception of the 1960, 1973 and 1991 football seasons. Can anybody please help?

Probitas Verus Honos

PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWN OF WESTFIELD
COUNTY OF ADJUSTMENT
NOTICE OF HEARING

Please take notice that on the 3rd of February 2014, at 7:30 p.m., a hearing will be held before the Board of Adjustment of the Township of Westfield, New Jersey at the Municipal Building, 425 East Broad Street, Westfield, New Jersey on application made by Darin D. Pinto, Esq. on behalf of the John A. Pinto Family, L.P. for variances from the requirements of the Westfield Land Use Ordinance. The Applicant seeks Preliminary and Major Site Plan approval with variance application so as to permit the demolition of the existing two-family residential dwelling and new construction of a 6,000 square foot building comprised of 2,500 square feet of professional office space on the 1st floor and a total four (4) residential apartments on the 2nd and mezzanine floors of the new proposed dwelling at 802 South Avenue West, Westfield, New Jersey, Block 2510, Lot 3 on the Municipal Tax Map, located in an GB-3 Zone. The proposed uses are permitted uses for which no variances shall be required.

Applicant also seeks bulk variances from the following:

List of Non-conforming zoning conditions:
Section 11.28G(5) of the Land Use Ordinance. Ordinance requires minimum side yard of 11.67 feet and Applicant is proposing a 9.0 feet side set back.
Section 11.28G(11) of the Land Use Ordinance. Ordinance requires maximum lot coverage no to exceed 70%. Applicant is proposing 75.1% lot coverage.

Section 12.03 C, D & E of the Land Use Ordinance. Ordinance requires minimum frontyard setback of an average of 34.4 feet. Applicant is proposing 20 feet on the frontyard setback.
Section 12.04D of the Land Use Ordinance. Ordinance requires dwelling units to have no less than 600 square feet of habitable floor area. For the two 2nd floor mezzanine dwelling units, Applicant is proposing 385 square feet of habitable floor area.

Section 17.05B of the Land Use Ordinance. Ordinance requires driveway width to be 20 feet for two-way traffic. Applicant is proposing 14 feet in width for the driveway.

All documents relating to this application may be inspected by the public between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, in the office of the Town Engineer, 959 North Avenue West, Westfield, New Jersey.

Any interested party may appear at said hearing and participate therein in accordance with the Rules of the Board.

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(908) 317-9405

1 T - 1/16/14, The Leader Fee: \$60.69

PUBLIC NOTICE

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
DIVISION OF PROCUREMENT, BUREAU OF CONSTRUCTION SERVICES
1035 PARKWAY AVENUE, PO BOX 600
TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625

Notice is hereby given that bid proposals will be received via the Internet until 10:00:59 A.M. on 2/6/14, downloaded, and publicly opened and read, from Bidders classified under N.J.S.A. 27:7-35.1 et seq.; in the CONFERENCE ROOM-1C, 1st Floor E & O Building, New Jersey Department of Transportation, 1035 Parkway Avenue, Trenton, New Jersey 08625; for:

Maintenance Roadway Repair Contract North, Sub-Region N-2 Contract No. N204, Routes 24 and 124, Essex, Union and Morris Counties; 100% STATE; DP No: 13429

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, c. 127 (N.J.A.C. 17:27. The awarded bidder must provide a completed Contractor Certification and Disclosure of Political Contribution Form(s) according to both P.L. 2205, c. 51 and Executive Order No. 117 within fourteen (14) days from the award date. Executive Order No. 117 is effective on November 15, 2008. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44, all bidders must be registered with the New Jersey Department of Treasury, Division of Revenue, Business Registration, as of the date of bids. The awarded bidder must provide proof of valid business registration within fourteen (14) days from the award date. Pursuant to the "Public Works Contractor Registration Act", N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.4b et seq. (P.L. 2003, c. 91), all bidders must be registered with the New Jersey Department of Labor, Division of Wage and Hour Compliance, at the time of bid. The awarded bidder must provide proof of PWCR within fourteen (14) days from the award date.

The Department, in accordance with Title VI Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252 U.S.C., 49 C.F.R., Parts 21 and 23 issued pursuant to such Act, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 will afford minority business enterprises full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not discriminate against any bidder on the grounds of race, color, sex, national origin, or handicap in the project award.

Plans, specifications, and bidding information for the proposed work are available at Bid Express website www.bidx.com. You must subscribe to use this service. To subscribe follow the instructions on the website. Fees apply to downloading documents and plans and bidding access. The fee schedule is available on the web site. All fees are directly payable to Bid Express. Plans, specifications, and bidding information may be inspected (BUT NOT OBTAINED) by contracting organizations at our Design Field Offices at the following locations:

200 Stierli Court
Mt. Arlington, New Jersey 07856
973-601-6690

One Executive Campus Rt 70 West
Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08002
856-486-6623

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TOWN OF WESTFIELD
COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY
ADVERTISEMENT TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Town Clerk of the Town of Westfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, in the Town of Westfield Municipal Building Court Room, 425 East Broad Street on February 11, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. for:

TURF REPLACEMENT AT SID-FAY HOULIHAN FIELDS

in accordance with Drawings and Specifications prepared by Kinsey Associates, Flemington, New Jersey. No bids shall be received after the time designated above.

Plans and specifications will be available for pick up on Tuesday, January 21, 2014.

One set of complete documents may be obtained upon the payment of Thirty dollars (\$30.00) for each set, nonrefundable. Drawings and Specifications are on file at the Recreation office and may be examined and obtained there between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. daily except Saturday, Sunday and holidays. Checks must be made payable to the order of the "Town of Westfield".

Bidders must use, and fully complete, the proposal pages included with the specifications furnished by the Owner and comply with all requirements attached thereto, including the following:

1. An experience record of the bidder;
2. Certified Check or a Bid Bond in an amount not less than 10% of the amount for which the bid is submitted, but not in excess of \$20,000.00, furnished by a Surety Company licensed to do business in the State of New Jersey;
3. A Non-Collusion Affidavit;
4. A Consent of Surety;
5. Qualification Statement; and,
6. Ownership disclosure statement;
7. Affirmative Action Information.
8. New Jersey Business Registration Certificate.

Each bid must be submitted and enclosed in a sealed envelope with the name and address of the bidder and the project title and contract number clearly shown on the face of the envelope.

The bid shall be directed to the attention of:

Town Clerk
Town of Westfield
Municipal Building
425 East Broad Street
Westfield, New Jersey 07090-2196

The Owner expressly reserves the right to reject any or all bids, accept and enter into contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the project, or combined projects, or to waive any informalities in the bids and accompanying documents received, should it be deemed to be in the best interest of the Owner.

The Owner also reserves the right to correct any erroneous mathematical computations in any proposals submitted, and to consider the bid on the basis of the corrected total or totals. The written figures shall prevail over the numerical figures.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, c. 127 (N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq.), entitled "Law Against Discrimination", and N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1999, c. 39 (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-23.1 and 40A:11-23.2).

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1999, c. 238 The Public Works Contractor Registration Act.

Bidders are required to submit their bid proof of registration in accordance with the requirements of P.L. 2004, c. 57 New Jersey Business Registration Act.

M. Bruce Kaufmann,
Recreation Director
1 T - 1/16/14, The Leader Fee: \$75.99

No. 17 Raider Boys Knock Off No. 11 St. Joseph, 105-65

The No. 17 Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School boys swim team pulled a mild upset by knocking off No. 11 St. Joseph of Metuchen, 105-65, in Scotch Plains on January 8. The 6-2 Raiders swept first place in all three relays and took top honors in six individual events.

Raiders Eric Chang and Alex Skoog each won two individual events and swam on two winning relays. After Raiders Nolan Kearns, Skoog, Jeff Peart and Andrew DeBiase touched first in the 200-medley relay in 1:43.65, Chang won the 200-freestyle in 1:53.09.

Next, Kearns took first in the 200-individual medley with a time of

2:05.09. St. Joseph's Joseph Baron won the 50-freestyle in 22.1 then Skoog touched first in the 100-butterfly at 55.47. Baron won the 100-freestyle at 49.06 then Skoog won the 500-freestyle in 5:00.45.

Peart, Chang, Matt Marino and JB Walling won the 200-free relay with a time of 1:35.5. Chang took first in the 100-backstroke at 59.4 then Peart won the 100-breaststroke in 1:06.03. Matt Auda, Skoog, Chang and Walling won the 400-freestyle relay in 3:29.55.

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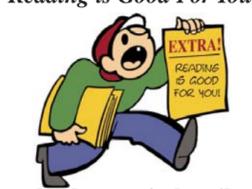
BOROUGH OF FANWOOD
PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that the PLANNING BOARD OF THE BOROUGH OF FANWOOD, after public hearing on November 20, 2013 granted approval for residential accessory setback regarding the installation of a home generator. The property in question is owned by Mr. & Mrs. Fred Pomnitz, at 43 Helen Street, Fanwood, New Jersey being Block 83, Lot 9.

Documents pertaining to this application are available for public inspection at Borough Hall during normal business hours.

Mr. & Mrs. Fred Pomnitz
43 Helen Street
Fanwood, New Jersey 07023
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