

## DEVILS GRADUATE 4 OF 5 STARTERS Lady Devils Must Build Team Around McKeon

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

Rebuilding may be considered the status for the Westfield High School girls basketball team this season. Four of the five starters from last year's squad which finished 15-6 have since graduated. Only one, senior Liz McKeon, remains.

Last year, the Blue Devils were stopped in the quarterfinals of the Section 2, Group 4 State Tournament by then 13th-ranked Bloomfield. With fine players like Megan DeVitt, Vicky Nusse, Suzanne Vinagra, Heather Simpson, Missy Francz and Anne Ruvolo having graduated, finishing with a fine season similar to last year's would be quite a challenge.

"We are pretty much new except for Liz McKeon," said Head Coach Kathy Hauser. "Emily Lieberman had some playing time and Val Griffith played when Jessica Lutkenhouse was injured."

Hauser continued with respect to McKeon, "She will shoot inside and outside, but can not be the dribbler, the shooter and the rebounder too. Everybody has to contribute."

Lutkenhouse, a senior, Lieberman and Griffith, both juniors, and sophomore Carolyn Matthews will be stepping in to fill part of the void.

"Carolyn Matthews is a pure shooter," stated Hauser. "She can help offensively."

Commenting on the Blue Devils' offensive and defensive strategies this season, Hauser said, "We will try to push the ball up the floor before the other team gets back on defense. We will play zone, matchup zone, man, press full court or do whatever we can to disrupt the tempo of the other

team." The Blue Devils also lack team size and Hauser commented further on their strategy, "Senior Monique Brendel, who is 6', is our only tall girl. She is in the middle but she played JV last year. Because we are not that tall, we have to be strong defensively off the ball, on the ball and take perimeter shots and make layups."

Still in the incubation stage of team development and wondering who will hatch first to bring the ball upcourt, Hauser explained, "Who knows! There are five guards. Right now, I am waiting for somebody to step forward. Right now we need shooting guards and dribbling guards. They can't just dribble. They must be able to shoot and dribble. We are in the process of figuring who works the best together."

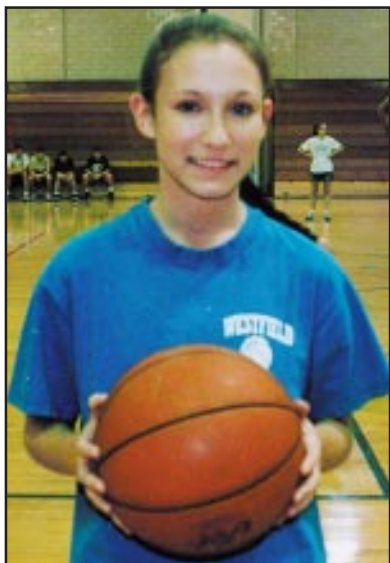
Hauser continued, "We may have to go eight or nine people deep. Everybody will have to contribute. In a year or two, they will get better at it, then they will be the team to reckon with. You just have to grow."

Hauser added, "Last year, we had a very good season. We were the team to reckon with, but we graduated almost the whole team. Now Lizzie will be the star and the rest of the team will have to support around her, but you just can not live and die with one player."

With reference to the Blue Devils' chances and what must be done, Hauser explained, "The bottom line is that we need to win. We want to go to the states and do well in the counties. We don't play because it is recreation. We play because we want to get better and play competitively in this league which is very competitive."



David B. Corbin for The Leader and The Times  
Blue Devil Liz McKeon



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Jessica Lutkenhouse

## Raider Bball Girls Get Added Punch to Team

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Struggling through a rebuilding year compounded with an injury to then junior Nikki McCoy, the team's leading scorer, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood girls basketball experienced a 6-15 record; however, the outlook for the Raiders may be much brighter this season.

Losing only one starter to graduation, Kate Vanderheyden, the Raiders return nearly a full lineup and presently have a healthy Nikki McCoy. In addition, the Raiders have the services of senior Krista Hicks who will definitely fortify their defensive punch.

Despite sitting out half of the season, Nikki McCoy still was second in scoring with 128 points. Her quickness enabled her to snatch 47 steals and her leaping ability earned her 75 rebounds. This season, a healthy "Real McCoy" could spell trouble for opposing teams.

"Nikki has the offensive skills to drive to the basket," said Head Coach Brian Homm. "She is our primary offensive weapon."

With reference to Hicks, Homm commented, "We are hoping that she will do some scoring for us, but she can help us a lot with offensive rebounds."

Senior Christine Bowers put in 88 points last year and created 42 steals. Bowers was tough under the boards, pulling down 59 rebounds.

"Bowers has some strength as an outside shooter," said Homm.

Junior Katie Feighner was a very pleasant surprise last year. She led the team in scoring with 137 points and was tremendous under the boards as she pulled down a team-leading 181.

"Feighner is an inside shooter and led the team in rebounds last year," pointed out Homm.

Senior Jeannie McCoy saw plenty of action last year and was second in assists with 35. She sank 61 points and took advantage of her quickness by nabbing 37 steals. Jeannie McCoy will play point guard.

Adding to the depth are junior Courtney Gray and sophomore Najwa Glover. Gray will be coming off the bench and playing at forward. Last year, Glover sank 33 points, seized 18 steals, had 15 assists and pulled in 26 rebounds. Also contributing to the cause will be freshman Kelly LaForge.

Defensively, the Raiders will be using primarily a 1-3-1 zone.

"We may also press a little and sometimes use a man-to-man," added Homm.

As far as the progress of his team so far, Homm said, "Defensively, we are looking okay, but we were struggling with our offense in our scrimmages except for Nikki."

With reference to his team's outlook this season, Homm surmised, "We are hoping that we can qualify for the states and be competitive."



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LEADING THE RAIDERS...Seniors Christine Bowers, left, Nikki McCoy, center, and Krista Hicks will be leading the Raider girls basketball team this season.

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**RESOLUTION NO.: 1373-98**  
**AWARDED TO:** Acutabs, Inc., 99-103 Glendale Avenue, Edison, New Jersey.  
**SERVICES:** To provide laboratory services to the patients/residents of Runnells Specialized Hospital, which includes equipment supplies, support services, pathology consultation related to services provided.  
**AMOUNT:** In an amount not to exceed \$30,000.  
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1 T - 12/17/98, The Leader Fee: \$22.95

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**RESOLUTION NO.: 1374-98**  
**AWARDED TO:** Mobile Diagnostic Services, Inc., 40 Glaesi Drive, Wayne, New Jersey.  
**SERVICES:** To provide x-ray, EKG, Doppler studies, holter monitoring and ultrasonography services to the patients/residents of Runnells Specialized Hospital.  
**AMOUNT:** In an amount not to exceed \$50,000.  
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## Raider Boy Cagers Will Have New Faces and Lots of Size

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Plenty of new faces will be shown in the Scotch Plains-Fanwood boys basketball lineup this season and there is a possibility that the style of play may change due to the addition of several sizable players in the varsity lineup.

The Raiders had a very successful season last year, finishing 16-7, and made it all happen with a very versatile squad. The highly accurate outside shooting of Dave Gewirtz and Jeff Feighner forced opponents' defenses to spread thin. Once that occurred Don Patterson and Ben Martinez would cut through the seams and bite their soft underbellies with layups. Doug Bishop had the vision to spot an opponent's weakness and set up the play that would topple their defense.

With Bishop, Gerwitz, Patterson and Feighner having graduated, Martinez is the only remaining starter from last year's squad; however, senior Steve Simms and junior Ron Jenerette, who saw much playing time, will be a huge asset to the team.

Initially, Martinez will be bringing the ball upcourt and setting up the plays. If not guarded closely, he has the ability to hit the three-pointer. If guarded too closely, he has the dexterity to slick around the defenders and nail a layup.

Jenerette, at 6'3" and well over 200 pounds, will be starting at center, but the Raiders have several big

men who, later in the season, could alternate at the position while Jenerette shifts to another position. Simms will be playing as a guard.

Junior Derek Brown, 6'6" and 220+ pounds, and sophomore Andrew Feeley, 6'7", offer additional immense size to the Raider roster. Also juniors 6'2" Dave Herrmann, starting for-

and being the first man off the bench will be 6'1" Richard Brown.

Aware that the Raiders do not have the speed that they have had in the past, Leonardi said, "I think that we will be more of a zone oriented team than a man-to-man. We've had some good speed in the past and played man-to-man."

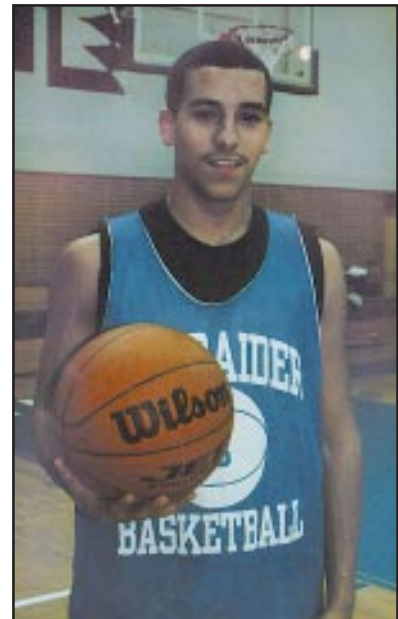
Summing up his team's recent progress, Leonardi indicated, "I felt that we played better in the summer as a team than we are right now, but after yesterday's scrimmage against Phillipsburg, I thought that we played pretty good as a unit. Our guards played very well in our scrimmage. Our big men need a lot of work yet."

Working with such a relatively young team which has not played much together, Leonardi explained, "We have been doing a lot of substituting just to see how our kids will react. We are hoping that people can step up who are playing behind our starting lineup. I think that we have depth, but they must realize that when they go in the ball game, they will have to play."

The Watchung Conference has several very good teams this year, such as: Union, Linden and Malcolm X. Shabazz and Leonardi relayed his thoughts.

"You have to be at the top of your game every time you play in the Watchung Conference. Each team will take its turn knocking off one another."

Leonardi modestly concluded, "We would like to be competitive and have a little bit of success."



David B. Corbin for The Leader and The Times  
Raider Ben Martinez

ward 6'4" James Allen Osborne, Jim Pei, Mike Jackson and Hal Burwell along with seniors Ryan Hahner and 6'1" Richard Brown will add to the Raiders' depth.

"Feeley is going to do a good job for us. We feel that we have about 15 fouls to waste at the center position," stated Raider Head Coach Willie Leonardi about his leverage to put several players in the center position. "Ronnie would move to forward if we put Feeley or (Derek) Brown in at center" added Leonardi.

With reference to Brown, Leonardi commented, "He is kind of raw and he's got to work hard at what he is doing. He needs to get himself in real good basketball shape to get up and down the floor. He has some talent. It's just a matter of him bringing it out of himself."

Backing up Martinez and Simms will be Hahner and Jackson. Burwell could swing at guard or forward. Probably backing up the forward spot



David B. Corbin for The Leader and The Times  
Raider Ron Jenerette

## Blue Devil Boys Sink Pingry; Devil Girls Swimmers Edged

The Westfield High School boys swimming team evened its record at 1-1 by sinking Pingry, 105-65; however, the Blue Devil girls were edged 90-80. Blue Devil Jesse Coxson was involved in four first-place finishes for the girls and Seth Burstein and Mike Smith were both involved in three first place finishes for the boys.

Individually, Coxson touched first in the 200-yard freestyle at 2:09.94 and in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 1:02.34. She was also a member of the winning 200-freestyle relay team which touched at 1:59.03 and the 400-freestyle relay team which finished at 4:19.75.

Burstein placed first in the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:10.75 and was on the winning 200-medley relay team which was timed at 1:58.16 and the 200-freestyle relay with Smith which finished at 1:49.41. Smith won the 100-butterfly at 1:05.65 and the 200-freestyle with a time of 2:15.22.

**Blue Devil Boys (Pingry, 25 boys)**

- 200 medley relay - (W) (Kyle McCloskey, Matt Vidovich, Seth Burstein, Cliff Haldeman) 1:58.16
- 200 free - Smith (W), 2:15.22
- 200 IM - Steve Edell (P) 2:16.67
- 50 free - Allen Lam (P) :24.79
- 100 fly - Smith (W) 1:05.65
- 100 free - Lam (P) :56.72
- 500 free - Devin Power (W) 6:18.15
- 200 free relay - (W) (McCloskey, Scott Koutzmann, Burstein, Smith) 1:49.41
- 100 back - Edell (P) 1:09.84
- 100 breast - Burstein (W) 1:10.75
- 400 free relay - (P) (Mike Fisher, Kevin Koernig, Edell, Lam) 4:04.89

**Blue Devil Girls:**

200 medley relay - (W) (Lili Shek, Mindy Wu, Kristen Peters, Lauren Washychyn) 2:14.6

200 free - Jesse Coxson (W) 2:09.94

200 IM - Peters (P) 2:30.22

50 free - Lindsey Whalen (P) :29.31

100 fly - Kitty Fromting (W) 1:15.03

100 free - Coxson (W) 1:02.34

500 free - Peters (P) 5:56.22

200 free relay - (W) (Ashley Saul, Fromting, Chrissy Schwebel, Coxson) 1:59.03

100 back - Alexa Gale (P) 1:11.03

100 breast - Katie Bartholomew (W) 1:22.5

400 free relay - (W) (Saul, Fromting, Schwebel, Coxson) 4:19.75

## Kaslusky Voted X-Country MVP

The Westfield High School boys cross country team recently selected senior Gordon Kaslusky to receive the Booster Club Most Valuable Player of the Year Award. Kaslusky's efforts has placed him third on the Westfield High School All-Time Performance list at Warinanco Park and fourth at Holmdel Park.

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**RESOLUTION NO.: 1371-98**  
**AWARDED TO:** Ms. Barbara Myers, R.D., One Newport Drive, Wayne, Pennsylvania.  
**SERVICES:** To provide consultation to the clinical dietitians and dietary services at Runnells Specialized Hospital.  
**AMOUNT:** In an amount not to exceed \$15,200.  
**PERIOD:** For the period January 1, 1999 through December 31, 1999.  
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**RESOLUTION NO.: 1383-98**  
**(Amending Resolution No. 85-98)**  
**AWARDED TO:** Multi-Care Health Center, 100 Commerce Place, Clark, New Jersey.  
**SERVICES:** For the purpose of providing pre-employment physical examinations and other related medical services for all County Departments/Officers/Agencies and the Union County Board of Social Services.  
**AMOUNT:** In the sum of \$10,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$50,000.  
M. Elizabeth Genievich  
Clerk of the Board  
1 T - 12/17/98, The Leader Fee: \$24.48

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**SHERIFF'S SALE**  
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-762-88.  
SEARS MORTGAGE CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF vs. EUGENE BLANDING, ET AL, DEFENDANT.  
CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED JUNE 13, 1997 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, on the 6th Floor of the Union County Court House (Tower) 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY THE 13TH DAY OF JANUARY A.D., 1999 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 \$206,411.94.  
Municipality: Town of Westfield.  
Street Address: 112 Windsor Avenue  
Tax Lot: No. 2, Tax Block: No. 510.  
Approximate dimensions: 112.73 feet x 26.25 feet x 140 feet x 98 feet x 37-50 feet.  
Nearest cross street: Grandview Avenue.  
There is due approximately the sum of \$212,450.26 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

KATZ, ETTIN, LEVINE, KURZWEIL, WEBER & SCIALABBA, P.C., Attorney  
905 North Kings Highway  
Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08034-1569  
CH-753260 (WL)  
4 T - 12/17, 12/14,  
12/31 7 /17/99 Fee: \$148.92

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**RESOLUTION NO.: 1382-98**  
Authorizing and directing the County Manager to execute Contract(s) for the Risk Control Services for the County of Union for the period June 1, 1998 through June 1, 1999, as recommended by the Citizens' Insurance Review Committee in an amount of \$18,000.  
M. Elizabeth Genievich  
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1 T - 12/17/98, The Leader Fee: \$21.42

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**RESOLUTION NO.: 1372-98**  
**(Amending Resolution No. 1131-98)**  
**AWARDED TO:** St. Elizabeth's Hospital, 226 Williamson Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.  
**SERVICES:** For the purpose of providing any necessary hospital, emergency, general and specialty care to the inmates of the Union County Correctional Facility and the residents of the Juvenile Detention Center.  
**AMOUNT:** In an amount not to exceed \$200,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$700,000.  
**PERIOD:** For the period October 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998.  
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Clerk of the Board  
1 T - 12/17/98, The Leader Fee: \$27.03