



David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times
BATTLING FOR THE REBOUND...Blue Devils Lisa Venezia, No. 20, and Jessica Meylor, No. 34, battle for the rebound against Shabazz.

Shabazz Mesmerizes Lady Devil Cagers

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Specialty Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times

With the regular season rapidly drawing to a conclusion, the Westfield High School girls basketball team's high expectation for a good season was once more dealt a disappointing setback on January 31, when the 17-1 Malcolm X. Shabazz girls overran them, 80-20, in Westfield.

"We're struggling," noted Blue Devil Head Coach Joe Marino just before tip-off. "We lost some tough games, so now we're basically trying to work the best we can to execute and salvage the season. With just four games remaining, we're trying to pick up some momentum going into the county tournament. We have been turning the ball over quite a bit, thus our ball handling skills need improvement. Strength wise, the girls hustle and have speed while their spirits remain high. Again, we need to reduce our turnovers, that's been killing us all year long."

In the first quarter, the young Blue Devils' offense worked very hard and were moving the ball around effectively, slowing the pace to their benefit. Defensively, the Blue Devils attempted to establish their tempo while scrambling and hustling up and down the court, and sitting back while staying in their zone. The Lady Bulldogs held a 17-8 lead at the end of the quarter.

The very talented Shabazz ladies took complete control early in the second quarter, controlling both sides of the boards, while penetrating inside for the easy lay-up. Their outside shooting was near perfection as they forged ahead, 40-12, by half-time.

Rattled, the Blue Devils had ball control problems in the second half and Shabazz capitalized with disciplined play, controlling every facet of the game with hustle and excellent shooting, netting 40 additional points while allowing eight Westfield points.

Summing up the season thus far, Westfield senior Jessica Meylor said, "It's been really tough on us, we have a lot of talent on the team. A lot! But for some reason we haven't been able to pull through. We just haven't played up to our potential."

Point guard, Jackie Cusimano put it this way, "It's pretty much frustrating right now. We're on a losing streak and it doesn't appear to get much better. We came out really strong in the first quarter, then it all just sort of fell apart. So losing by such a wide margin is most upsetting."

The Blue Devils look to have a strong finish with four remaining regular season games and the Union County Tournament.



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RECEIVING A VISUAL OBSTRUCTION...Raider Derek Francavilla, top, gets a bit of a stiff arm from Blue Devil Matt McManus in his 103-lb. bout.

Cougars Quiet Raider Hoopmen

The Cranford High School boys basketball team came out firing with a 23-12, first-quarter run and held on to quiet Scotch Plains-Fanwood, 68-57, in Cranford on February 1. Juniors Mike Brennan and Steve Williams led the Raiders with 13 points each.

Kasim Rajahn led the Cougar charge by scoring eight of his 21 points in the first quarter. Teammate Mike Snyder added 16 points. Andrew Feeley scored nine points for the Raiders, Kerwyn Paynter sank seven, Kyle Adams hit for six, Ray Williams netted five and Brian Schiller added four.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Points. Sc Plans-Fanwood 12 13 13 19 57, Cranford (10-8) 23 15 16 14 68

High School Girls Basketball Results

JANUARY 30: Elizabeth 50, Kearny 40

The 14-3 Lady Minutemen got 14 points from Petrina Drayton.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Points. Kearny (8-8) 14 9 6 11 40, Elizabeth 12 12 19 7 50

Oak Knoll 45, Brearley 31

Katie Cummings had 12 points, five steals and five assists and Kate Abramson scored 12 points for the 13-2 Royals.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Points. Brearley (5-8) 10 13 5 3 31, Oak Knoll 14 11 11 9 45

Union 49, Irvington 37

Latissa Watson led the 14-3 Farmers with 14 points.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Points. Irvington (12-5) 4 11 7 15 37, Union 13 15 13 8 49

FEBRUARY 1: Elizabeth 46, Irvington 25

Shontae Hunter led the 15-3 Lady Minutemen with 13 points.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Points. Irvington 9 7 4 5 25, Elizabeth 12 16 5 13 46

Union 84, East Side 42

The 15-3 Farmers annihilated the Red Raiders and got 22 points from Monique Blake.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Points. East side 9 14 7 12 42, Union 18 32 23 11 84

FEBRUARY 2: Governor Livingston (10-6) 56, Roselle (5-11) 28

The Highlanders broke it wide open early with the leadership of Jen Calabrese, who netted nine of her 21 points in the second quarter. Meagan Butler scored 11 points and Maya Monroe sank nine.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Points. Roselle 9 4 7 8 28, Gov. Livingston 15 18 11 12 56

PUBLIC NOTICE

BOROUGH OF FANWOOD PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that the PLANNING BOARD OF THE BOROUGH OF FANWOOD after public hearing granted approval to International Freight Transport for a use and parking variance on the property at 88 South Avenue, New Jersey being Block No. 56 Lot No. 10.

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

Mr. John Kitts International Freight Transport 430 Mountain Avenue Murray Hill, New Jersey 07974

Attorney: Steven J. Burke, Esq. Younghans, Burke & Sahaj 141 Elmer Street Westfield, New Jersey 07090

1 T - 02/08/01, The Times Fee: \$18.87

PUBLIC NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-13747-96

THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK F/K/A CHEMICAL BANK, PLAINTIFF vs. JOSEPH A. DORSAINVIL, ET ALS., 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 21ST DAY OF FEBRUARY A.D., 2001 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 FIFTY SIX THOUSAND FIFTY FOUR & 16/100 (\$156,054.16).

All that certain land and premises situated in the City of Elizabeth, County of Union, State of New Jersey, being more particularly described as follows:

Lot No. 498; Block No. 12 on the Tax Map of the City of Elizabeth.

Nearest Cross Street: Fairmont Avenue.

Approximate Dimensions: 33.00 feet by 145.00 feet by 33.00 feet by 145.00 feet.

Being more commonly known as: 619 Jefferson Ave.

Elizabeth, New Jersey 07202 Pursuant to a municipal tax search dated 9/26/00.

Subject to: Taxes for 4th quarter of 2000 in the amount of \$972.58 due 11/1/00; water to 6/21/00 \$379.50 open & penalty.

There is due approximately the sum of TWO HUNDRED TWENTY SIX THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY FOUR & 92/100 (\$226,894.92) 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

HILL, WALLACK, ATTORNEYS AT LAW

202 Carnegie Center Princeton, New Jersey 08543-5226

CH-753150 (WL) 4 T - 1/25, 2/1, 2/01 & 2/15/01 Fee: \$206.04



ALL-AMERICAN STATUS...Jessica Ballweg, a senior at Union Catholic High School in Scotch Plains, is shown with her UC coaches Bill White, left, and Jim Revel at the 54th Annual NSCAA Convention in Indianapolis. She was honored and received plaques designating her a member of the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA)/Adidas High School All American Team and the high school state Player of the Year for New Jersey. She also won a spot on the Under-17 (U-17) All-American Team.

Lady Vikings Chill Crusader Cagers

Defense did its job once again as the 14-1, 10th-ranked Union Catholic High School girls basketball stopped the A.L. Johnson Crusader girls in their tracks, 56-10, in Scotch Plains on January 30. Shritia Smith and Jackie Huber both provided the Vikings with 11 points.

The game was virtually over after the first quarter when the defense-minded Vikings got an explosion of points from Huber - three three-pointers - and their offense and blanked the Crusaders, 28-0. The Vikings also shutout the Crusaders in the final quarter, 8-0.

Melinda Rosado, who had three points, led the Vikings in rebounds with nine. Kenyail Johnson and Stephanie Green both sank eight points, Amy Snyder scored seven and Andrea Keller had three while Hope Loeffler, Jessica Ballweg and Lauren Huber each added two.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Points. Johnson (1-15) 0 4 6 0 10, Union Catholic 28 9 11 8 56

PUBLIC NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-16261-98

IMC MORTGAGE COMPANY, PLAINTIFF vs. DUMAS MARTINEZ AND OLIVIA MARTINEZ, HIS WIFE, DEFENDANT.

CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED OCTOBER 21, 1999 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 28TH DAY OF FEBRUARY A.D., 2001 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 NINETY SIX THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SIXTY FOUR & 64/100 (\$96,664.64).

The property to be sold is located in the CITY OF ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY, 07206, County of UNION and State of New Jersey.

Commonly known as: 325 SECOND AVENUE AKA 329-331, ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY 07206.

Tax Lot No. 1157.A/a/k/a 1167.A in Block No. 5 a/k/a 6.

Dimension of Lot: approximately 25.00 feet wide by 39.25 feet long.

Nearest Cross Street: Glen Zamorski Drive.

Situate at a point on the easterly sideline of Second Avenue distance approximately 60.75 feet southerly from its intersection with the southerly sideline of Glen Zamorski Drive.

There is due approximately the sum of ONE HUNDRED TWENTY THREE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED NINETY SIX & 86/100 (\$123,696.86) 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

FEIN SUCH KAHN & SHEPARD, P.C.

Suite 201 7 Century Drive Parsippany, New Jersey 07054

CH-754893 (WL) 4 T - 2/1, 2/8, 2/15 & 2/22/01 Fee: \$199.92

High School Boys Wrestling Results

JANUARY 31: Cranford (10-3-1) 62, Linden 10

WEIGHT BREAKDOWN: 145: - Rob Verhoeven (C) p. Alvarado Fernandez, :27

160: - Greg Donofrio (C) md. Shawn Colvin, 17-6

Bound Brook (9-8-1) 42, Brearley 31 (10-10-1)

KEY BOUTS: 103: - John Caemmerer (BB) md. Ryan Yospin, 12-3

112: - Mark Yospin (B) md. Dave Shubick, 15-7

125: - Altay Vigilante (B) p. Aziel Madrid, 1:52

135: - Stefano Serricino (B) p. Brad Galeta, 3:20

Roselle Park 41, Rahway 36

The Panthers prevailed in this clash of Union County titans.

KEY BOUTS: 103: - Bob Dent (RP) p. Ryne Luddington, 4:25

125: - Dan Appello (RP) p. Sean Horton, 2:53

160: - Jesse Campanelli (Ra) p. Garry Taluba, 2:15

215: - Dan Garay (Ra) p. Chris Lott, 4:30

PUBLIC NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-10480-00

FIRST UNION NATIONAL BANK, PLAINTIFF vs. LIBRADO NIEVES, ET AL., DEFENDANT.

CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED NOVEMBER 15, 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 7TH DAY OF MARCH A.D., 2001 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 EIGHTY SEVEN & 78/100 (\$103,470.78).

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

Commonly known as: 238 Pine Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey 07206.

Tax Lot No. 460 in Block No. 1.

Dimensions of Lot: (Approximately) 25 feet wide by 100 feet long.

Nearest Cross Street: Situate on the westerly side of Pine Street 300.00 feet from the southerly side of Third Street.

There is due approximately the sum of ONE HUNDRED NINE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY TWO & 46/100 (\$109,832.46) 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

ZUCKER GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN, ATTORNEYS 1139 Spruce Drive P.O. Box 1026 Mountainside, New Jersey 07092-0024

1-908-233-8500 File No. XCZ 42796 CH-755673 (WL) 4 T - 2/1, 2/8, 2/15 & 2/22/01 Fee: \$187.61

Ballweg Attains All-America Status Again in Girls Soccer

The National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA)/Adidas has named Jessica Ballweg, a senior at Union Catholic High School in Scotch Plains, a member of the High School All-American team and the High School State Player of the Year for New Jersey. She also won a spot on the Under-17 (U-17) All-American Team.

This marks the fifth time she has received such honors from the NSCAA, having claimed spots on three NSCAA/Adidas All-American teams last year (high school, U-17 and U-16). Jessica is also a member of the Under-19 National Women's Team.

During her career at UCHS, Ballweg led the Vikings to three Union County Tournament Championships. Cranford stopped them this year in their fourth time in the finals.

The Star-Ledger, the Home News Tribune and the Courier News also named Ballweg Player of the Year 2000. For the third straight year, she was selected to the Associated Press New Jersey All-State girls soccer team and for the fourth year she made the first teams for the All Union County Coaches selections and The Star-Ledger All Union County Teams. For the third year she was selected to The Star-Ledger All-State First Team.

Ballweg is a member of the National Honor Society, the Spanish Honor Society and has received the Academic Excellence Award while maintaining honor roll status throughout her high school career.

Lady Lions Shock Vikings in Hoops

The 10th-ranked Union Catholic High School girls basketball team was stunned, 42-32, by a fine Roselle Catholic team, in Roselle on February 2. The Lions with the help of K.K. Foster, who sank nine of her 18 points, broke through the Vikings' defense for 16 points in the fourth quarter.

The 14-2 Lions gave the Vikings a dose of their own medicine as they held them to just three points in the first quarter but the Vikings crept back to trail by just one at the end of the third. Shritia Smith scored 14 points for the 14-2 Vikings while Lauren Huber and Stephanie Green each added six points.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Points. Union Catholic 3 10 12 7 32, Roselle Catholic 9 9 8 16 42

Santo Provides Big Boost for Lycoming

WILLIAMSPORT, PA - Katherine Santo of Scotch Plains and a graduate of Union Catholic High School has played a key role for the Lycoming College women's basketball team both as a starter on and off the bench.

Santo has been healthy for 15 games this season and has started in three games. The junior guard is averaging 5.1 points per game and is third on the team in assists with 31 in just over 17 minutes per night.

PUBLIC NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-11024-00

HOMESIDE LENDINGS, INC. F/K/A BANC PLUS MORTG. CORP., PLAINTIFF vs. AMERICO PINTO; UMBELINA PINTO, ET AL. DEFENDANT.

CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED NOVEMBER 30, 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 7TH DAY OF MARCH A.D., 2001 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 EIGHTY SEVEN & 78/100 (\$132,087.78).

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 No. 555 BLOCK NO. 12.

COMMONLY KNOWN AS 1037 JEFFERSON AVENUE A/K/A 1037-1039 JEFFERSON AVENUE, ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY 07201

Dimensions of the Lot are (Approximately) 145.00 feet wide by 30.00 feet long.

Nearest Cross Street: Situated on the EASTERLY side of JEFFERSON AVENUE, 450.00 feet from the NORTHERLY side of ALINA STREET.

There is due approximately the sum of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY NINE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED TWELVE & 86/100 (\$139,712.86) 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

SHAPIRO & KREISMAN, ATTORNEYS AT LAW

Suite J 406 Lippincott Drive Marlton, New Jersey 08053

CH-755696 (WL) 4 T - 2/8, 2/15, 2/22 & 3/1/01 Fee: \$193.80

High School Boys Basketball Results

JANUARY 31: Shabazz 68, Cranford 66

The No. 7 Bulldogs got a scare from Cougar Mike Snyder who netted 27 points.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Points. Shabazz (17-1) 21 18 9 20 68, Cranford 13 17 13 23 66

Irvington 58, Union 43

Jim Nann scored 12 points for the losing Farmers.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Points. Union (8-9) 13 8 10 12 43, Irvington (10-6) 8 14 15 21 58

FEBRUARY 1: Plainfield 80, Kearny 39

The No. 9 Cardinals displayed their mean streak led by Jihad Muhammad, who pumped in 29 points.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Points. Kearny (8-10) 7 10 13 9 39, Plainfield (16-1) 27 21 23 9 80

Union 63, Newark East Side 60

Mike Gluck netted 22 points for the Farmers.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Points. East Side (10-8) 12 14 18 11 5 60, Union (9-9) 3 6 26 20 8 63

FEBRUARY 2: Roselle 72, Governor Livingston 38

Jesse Holly fired in 23 points for the 12-2 Rams and Doug Caruso sank 10 for the Highlanders.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Points. Gov. Liv. (6-10) 7 7 13 11 38, Roselle 8 13 23 28 72

St. Mary's (Elizabeth) 64, Roselle Park 33

Jim Massero netted 11 points to lead 16th-ranked St. Mary's.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Points. Roselle Park 12 4 8 9 33, St. Mary's (17-0) 16 23 12 13 64

FEBRUARY 3: Bridgewater-Raritan 72, Plainfield 63

The 11th-ranked, 15-1 Panthers got 21 points from Jamar Casey to stun seventh-ranked, 17-2 Plainfield.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Points. Plainfield 7 25 18 13 63, Bridgewater 13 18 21 20 72

North Hunterdon 47, Scotch Plains-Fanwood 46

Raider Steve Williams nailed six of his 12 points in the fourth quarter but Chad Hegstum's basket in the final three seconds helped 12-4 North Hunterdon avoid the upset. Andrew Feeley sank 15 points and Adam Bendik scored eight.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Points. Sc. Plns-Fanwood 10 15 6 15 46, North Hunterdon