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## Merry December

For me, December is like enjoying dessert after eating a full meal. This is the month of celebrations and it's also the month for reflections. And, yes, celebrating and reflecting are very similar.

Sometimes, we may think of the end of the year as a test of how well we handled the previous eleven months. But is it really? Reflecting on the past can bring sadness but it also highlights the most important part of life: growth.

We are constantly changing and moving forward. Sometimes it comes with a bit of pain and other times it's like a motorcycle ride with the sun and the wind in your face. This year, at *Nutley Neighbors*, I wrote articles about a lot of people and events and I enjoyed coming alongside them to hear their stories.

All of us here at the magazine will continue to bring you interesting and informative articles that spotlight our community. I hope that when you see the newest issue in your mailbox you will consider it to be the dessert offering of the month. And it's a no-calorie treat!

In these pages we meet the family on our cover—Denise Salette and her daughters. As a single mom, she met the challenges she encountered and made a happy and successful life for her and her children. And, yes, chocolate is part of her story!

Our own Michael Stefanelli wrote an article commemorating the 25th anniversary of Nutley's football state championship. He not only takes us back to those game-winning moments with vivid descriptions, but he interviewed the coach and some players from that team. You will be cheering from your living room after you read his article!

We spotlight another local author, Ilene Dudek. She was wonderful to talk to and her books are delightful. (Nutley seems to have a thriving group of writers here in town by the way!) And in case you want to know what our librarians think are the best books, movies, and music for this year, read their recommendations in the Library Corner article.

Many thanks go to our regular contributors, Dave Wilson and Frankie Turano. This month, Dave shows us how the fire department signaling systems evolved (for the best!) over time. Very interesting article. Frankie introduces us to his uncle, Neil Frazer, who is our Hometown Hero this month.

Let's turn those pages and meet more people and find out what is going on in town. Please take a moment to visit and thank our advertisers who support this publication.

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From left: Cassandra,  
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# Denise Sallette's Life is Better than Chocolate

By Joyce Corey Photography by Photo Arts Productions

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**D**enise Sallette is rich in all the important things: family, friends, and a future. As the mother of three daughters, the fiancée to a wonderful man, and a woman who has created her own successful business, Denise is the epitome of someone who lives life to the fullest.

But like all stories that have a happily-ever-after ending, there were a few challenges along the way. After her divorce (when her children were still young) she turned her full attention to her family.

"I did everything to provide for them financially, like working full-time managing the Pancake Palace, selling Avon, being a manicurist, doing arts and crafts, and making pies. I am also the sole proprietor and owner of Denise's Chocolate Creations. I design and sell custom

chocolate creations for any occasion."

Starting this business (about 20 years ago) was part necessity and part chance. "I have always loved to bake and I would make pies for Thanksgiving and Christmas that I gave away or sold. One of my specialties was an eggnog custard pie that people loved. In time, I was preparing samples and even made a menu for people who wanted something specific. All of this activity (which I completely enjoyed and came naturally to me!) became a business that helped to support my family."

Yet, something was missing. Denise said, "After the divorce I was not looking to get married again, but God sent me an angel." The angel's name is David Delasala.

"I feel blessed to have a wonderful fiancé, one who is



both supportive and also very good to my children. My fiancé is in a step dad role, something which I understand can be challenging. He has exceeded my all my expectations, and my family is so happy to have him in our lives," Denise said.

Her business, Denise's Chocolate Creations, not only has a loyal following of patrons but has also given her a delicious venue to express her creativity.

Perhaps the biggest source of her happiness is her daughters. Denise tells us a little about them: "Tiffani is 20 and is studying at Bergen Community College to become a sign language teacher. She also works part-time at ShopRite in Belleville. Cassandra is in her senior year at Nutley High School and works part-time at Nutley's ShopRite. She plans to be a psychologist one day.

Amanda is in eighth grade at the middle school."

"One of the things I teach my daughters is that nothing is given to them. They all understand they need to work to achieve what they want in life. I want all of them to be financially savvy," she said.

Denise also has a very positive attitude. "I believe in never giving up and to stay strong." These are definitely not just words; as a single mom she has lived this belief every day.

As a Nutley High



*Denise's homemade peppermint bark for Christmas*

School graduate, Denise said, "I actively support the school system. One of the ways is with my annual involvement in the Holiday Boutique." She also donates her time to extracurricular activities. "I am active with all my kids' sports, and work closely with the other parents to ensure

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**"From our Italian heritage perspective, family comes first by way of support and closeness. Most of my family resides in Nutley."**

the kids have the best team-related experiences."

Denise is surrounded by family and friends here in town which has enriched her life. "From our Italian heritage perspective, family comes first by way of support and closeness. With most of my family residing in Nutley, we regularly get together whether it be for functions, such as birthdays, or something as basic as having dinner."

Her neighbors are more than just people who live

nearby. "With the close-knit community atmosphere which makes up Nutley, our neighbors are also our friends. From a simple greeting when we see each other, to helping out each other during snow storms or other acts of nature, there is mutual support and acts of kindness."

The connectedness of her community has given Denise a true sense of belonging. She said, "Most people in





*The holiday boutique (above) A little bit of everything for Christmas, chocolate covered Oreos, chocolate covered pretzels, cookies and cream bark, peppermint bark, homemade baskets (right).*



We are always looking for fascinating residents to feature in *Nutley Neighbors*. If you are interested in being included or would like to nominate one of your neighbors please email [jhandzo@bestversionmedia.com](mailto:jhandzo@bestversionmedia.com)

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## *Things Denise Sallette Loves About Nutley*

1. The community
  2. Tree lighting at Christmas time
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- (My girls and I love to walk into town and spend time together.)

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# Where's the Best Place to Celebrate Christmas?

By Joyce Corey

Is there an ideal place to celebrate this holiday? Apparently so, according to travel experts, but the destinations will be dependent on exactly how you want to spend Christmas.

If you are looking for a fantastic light show, Trømsø, Norway will give you an amazing view of the Northern Lights. This natural light display in the sky is a phenomenon caused by collisions between electrically charged particles from the sun that enter the earth's atmosphere. The lights appear in many forms from scattered clouds of light to streamers, or shooting rays that light up the sky with an eerie glow. Pale green and pink are the most common colors but red, yellow, green, blue, and violet have also been seen.

But perhaps you want to celebrate Christmas in a true winter wonderland. In that case, pack your bags for Lapland, Finland. You can enjoy the snow and cold by traveling across the frosty landscape by a reindeer-pulled sled or strap on your cross-country skis for added

adventure and exercise.

If the spiritual significance of this holy day is what you want to experience the most, consider traveling to Vatican City to attend Midnight Mass with the Pope. Imagine walking these streets filled with the echoes of history and attending mass in one of the most revered places on earth.

But wait, you say, my budget does not allow me to travel to these places to see fantastic light shows, play in a winter wonderland, or worship at the Vatican.

Don't despair. There is a place, very nearby, that provides the best accommodations and atmosphere for this holiday.

When you want to see a light show, walk or drive around town. Yes, right here in Nutley. Your Nutley Neighbors are incredibly creative as they turn their homes into holiday masterpieces complete with lights, music, and moving (as in real action as well as meaningful) lawn ornaments.

Enjoying a winter wonderland here in town will be entirely dependent on the weather, but if the snow comes down



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The Northern Lights

it's time for some outside adventures. Sleigh riding down local hills, making snowmen, or even having a fun snowball fight will make memories that will last forever. There is always something magical about Christmas snow.

When it's time to reflect on the spiritual meaning of this holy day, Nutley's churches invite you inside. Worshiping with friends and neighbors is an excellent way to remember what Christmas is all about and to be thankful for all that we have.

After reading this you may want to put your luggage back in the closet. Why travel anywhere when you are close to family, friends, and all the wonderful things that make this holiday special right here in Nutley? Open your front doors to welcome holiday visitors, drop those Christmas cards in the mail to send greetings to loved ones, and fill your kitchens with the delicious aromas of holiday baking.

While this town may not be as exotic as Norway, Finland, and Rome, it's a place to call home and let's be honest...isn't that the best place to celebrate Christmas?

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## From Europe to New Jersey ... Why Three Great Artists Pursued Their Artistic Vision from Paris to Nutley

By Barry Lenson

If you were an artist living in Paris, why would you ever leave and move to Nutley? That question might seem puzzling, since Paris has long been regarded as the artistic capital of the world. But the fact is, at least three important American painters did exactly that. Let's find out why.

### FRANK FOWLER (1852-1910)

Fowler was born in Brooklyn, but headed to Europe to study painting when he was in his twenties. He studied in Florence and then Paris, where he helped paint the murals in the palace in the Luxembourg Gardens. He returned to America in about 1882, took a studio in New York, but soon purchased an old home on the Enclosure in Nutley and built a large studio on the back. (The house now bears the street number 16 Enclosure.)

Fowler painted extensive murals for the ballroom of the old Waldorf Astoria Hotel, which were destroyed when the Empire State Building was built.



"Portrait of a Woman" by Frank Fowler

### FREDERICK DANA MARSH (1872-1961)

Marsh was born in Chicago, where he studied at the Art Institute. Like Fowler, he headed to Paris to continue his studies. While there, he married Alice Randall, another Chicago-born artist. They had two sons, James and Reginald. Then in about 1901, he moved the family back to America and bought Frank Fowler's studio home on The Enclosure.

Marsh created his most ambitious mosaic murals, "Maritime History of the Hudson" for the Hotel McAlpin in New York, which at the time was the largest hotel in the world. When the hotel was converted to apartments in 1976,

the mosaics were moved to the Fulton Street (Broadway/Nassau) subway station, where you can still see them today. Marsh also designed posters that were sold to support American troops during World War I.

His sons went on to become artists. Reginald, one of the most important American artists of the last century, painted the murals in the New York City Customs House (now the Museum of the American Indian) in lower Manhattan. James became a highly accomplished metallic artist. Among many projects, he created elegant metal gates for the entrance of Sarah Lawrence College in Bronxville, New York. And both those boys grew up in Nutley.

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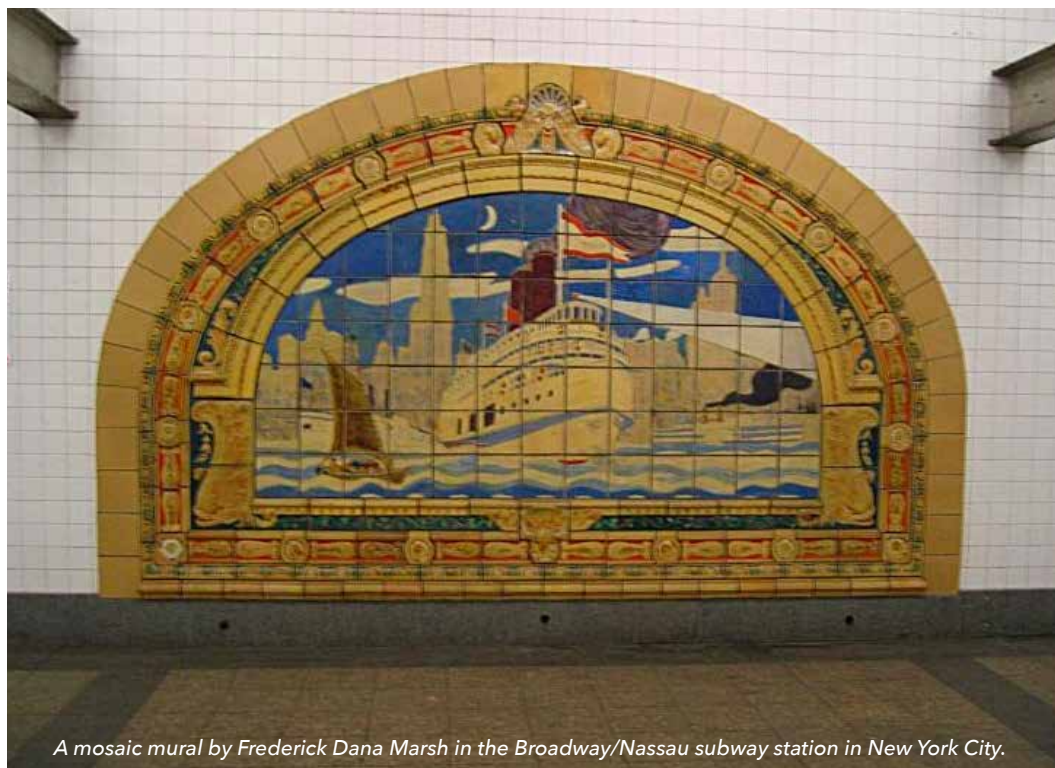
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studied in Paris from 1928-1932. Upon his return to America, he supervised mural activity in New Jersey for the WPA. You can see his murals in City Hall and Weequahic High School in Newark, as well as in a post office in Mount Hope, West Virginia. His work is in many major American museums.

Lenson, like Fowler and Marsh, found his way to Nutley. He was living in Newark but while strolling by the Mudhole in 1941, he looked toward the Enclosure and saw an artist's studio. When he found out that the studio and its attached home were for sale, he bought the place, moved in, and continued to live and paint there in Nutley until he died in 1971.

That house happened to be the same place that had belonged to Frank Fowler and Frederick Dana Marsh. Yes, those three famous artists left Paris and ended up in Nutley. Even then, something about our town was magically appealing to people with creative minds.



*A mosaic mural by Frederick Dana Marsh in the Broadway/Nassau subway station in New York City.*



*The author's father, Michael Lenson, painting in his studio in Nutley.*

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# Fire Department Signaling Systems: 1897 – Present

By David Wilson

Many decades of development and fires have challenged us with how to summon our firefighters in an emergency. Church bells, patrols with rattles, steam whistles and word-of-mouth worked, but were slow. Nutley acquired a train wheel from the railroad in 1894 and Chief Van Riper had a tower built to house the wheel and amplify the sound when it was banged with a hammer. We all have read stories of the Pony Express delivering messages across the country and being replaced by telegraph lines. Nutley experienced similar events with the reporting of fire by horse-back and foot being modernized with a fire alarm telegraph system in 1897. The Fire Department began installing a Gamewell Municipal Fire Alarm System in strategic locations and by 1906 had one hundred and seventeen call boxes across the town.

The first call boxes were key-activated so only authorized people could access the switch and the police would respond first to verify alarms before turning out the firefighters. The town continued to upgrade the system with new copper wire in 1904 and 1919, a superintendent of alarms in 1921, a whistle on the Nichols Hat Factory, storm resistant components and power supply, along with additional call boxes that everyone could activate.

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would look at a chart, determine the location based on the numbers being tapped and respond accordingly. Master boxes would be installed at schools and factories to connect their alarm systems directly to the fire department. Longtime residents may remember the 6pm test of the foghorn every night. Telephones began appearing in 1930 at the firehouses and around town so the system was already being supplemented by more modern devices. The police continued to monitor signals until the fire department watch room was established in 1952. Mary Piro told her daughter Susan Farr of hearing fire horns and chasing firetrucks, interrupting many a dinner, to "follow a handsome flame."

Fire Chief Andrew Hutch in 1945 declared the Gamewell system obsolete, since it mainly produced false alarms, especially after the bars let out. He felt telephone information lead to more precise response of equipment and manpower. One false alarm was turned



*Past and present 1924 Gamewell*

in by an Irish immigrant in 1949 when he tried to mail a letter and activated the alarm instead. His one-year jail sentence was avoided when he told the judge, "Mailboxes are red and fire boxes are green in Ireland!" The system was upgraded with an Electron unit in 1960, allowing for bells in firefighter's homes and businesses. The outmoded Gamewell system became costly to maintain and was removed in 1987.

The next phase of signaling was the Plectron system in 1976 using portable receivers and radio transmissions. The 9-1-1 telephone system was installed in 1979 and the township returned to centralized monitoring. The next upgrade was pagers in 1987, so the firefighters could be con-

tacted anywhere. The 9-1-1 system continues to evolve, determine your address, and may triangulate your cell phone location. Nutley will continue its tradition of rapid response to your call for help.

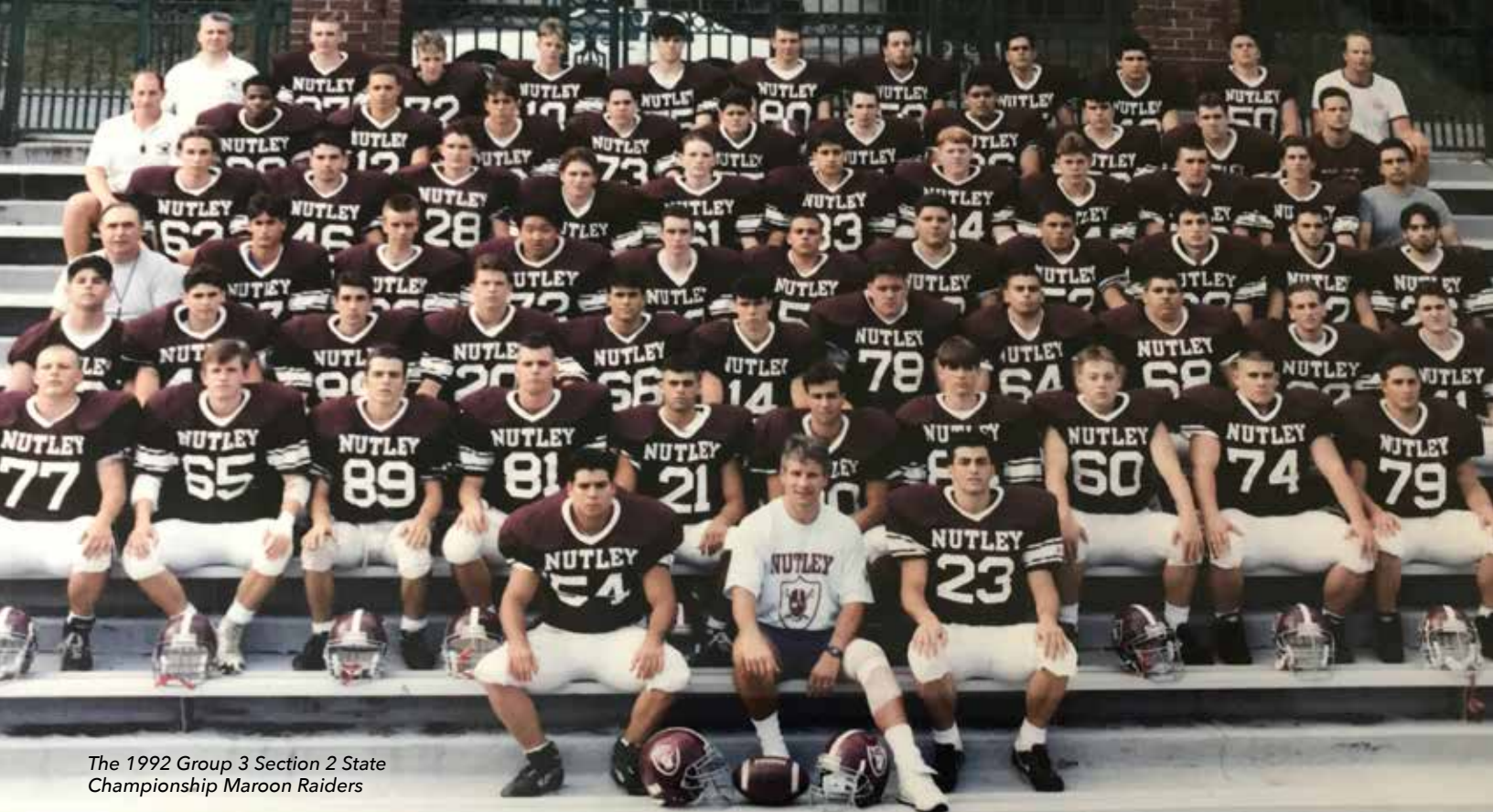


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The 1992 Group 3 Section 2 State Championship Maroon Raiders

## Revisiting Nutley's Football State Championship Team 25 Years Later

By Michael Stefanelli

This month we celebrate the 25th anniversary of Nutley's only state championship title in football that was won on the playing field. The 1992 Maroon Raiders, recently inducted into Nutley's Athletic Hall of Fame, was a team on a mission that year.

Teams like this are often described as being "many

years in the making" and this large, tight-knit group grew up together forming bonds outside the game, which ultimately led to their very strong goal to win a state championship. As they grew up, they watched a few very good Raiders teams fall short of this goal, like the '88 team that made the states but lost to Randolph. The 1991

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team made an improbable turnaround from a year prior, finishing 1-8, and vaulting all the way to a state title game only to fall short to West Morris 14-0. But it was that '91 season championship game where this '92 team cut its teeth and was ready to finally make the ultimate push to absolute victory.

This team came into the season with one of the largest senior groups in memory – 24 seniors. They had all played together for years, many dating back to 7th and 8th grade. This was a group that boasted team chemistry, who respected and appreciated each other. The moment the final whistle blew on the '91 season they made the decision to be the best they could be and win the state title. That was the expectation and the goal was nothing short of that. Head Coach Rich San Fillipo says, "The 1992 team was very talented but equally important was the fact that they had great camaraderie. Nobody cared who scored, how many carries they had or who was the star, their goal was to win the game." Talent goes a long way, but in sports it's the intangible factors that usually separate the greats from the good ones. "We fought like it was our last breath on every play for each other throughout the season and never craved individual attention," said senior running back, Don Sellari. "We cared about each other and winning a state championship that would leave a legacy in Nutley sports history that would at least allow us to never be forgotten once we graduated and moved on our separate ways."

### The 1992 Maroon Raiders were recently inducted into Nutley's Athletic Hall of Fame

Every great team can always point to a few key moments during their run that helped propel them. All of the players' coaches and fans pointed to beating St. Joseph's of Montvale in the fourth game of the season as the moment of validation for them. Their team was a perennial group 4 state power that was ranked 4th in the state at the time and whose roster was filled with players committed to Division 1 colleges.

Nutley carried a 14-7 lead into the fourth quarter and St. Joe's made their push scoring what was to be a game-tying touchdown late in the game until the pivotal moment in the game and season occurred. Tom Battoglia came up big, racing around the left side of the line to block the extra point preserving the lead and ultimately sealing the victory. One of the most intense games everyone participated in their lives for sure. Senior left tackle Ed Graziano reminisced, "We matched them player for player and beat them, which catapulted us to 9th in the state. That win validated our confidence and made everyone take notice." Many Nutley fans that made the trip to that game also took notice by rushing the opposing field to celebrate such a huge victory.

Another key moment for this team was against Hackensack. A hard-fought game on the road, once again, where senior quarterback, Frank DeMaio, ran for a 4-yard touchdown as time expired in the game. With the decision to take the tie or go for the win on the road, coach San Fillipo never wavered from his decision to take the



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tie because it meant a #1 seed in the playoffs and home games.

Yes, those of us familiar with high school football today realize that state title games are often played in large venues that host major professional and college sporting events. In 1992, the Raiders got to play for their ultimate prize on their home field in the center of town, in the Oval in front of their fans and on their turf against Morris Knolls. This is the way championship football should be played.

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That moment to capture the only championship in the playoff era was here. There wasn't nervousness. There was a quiet confidence from this group where they felt they couldn't be denied due to their experience from the previous year and what they achieved during this '92 season. Quarterback Frank DeMaio remembers, "Everyone came into the locker room that day with the same mindset. Refuse to lose. The energy, the stares across the room, Metallica playing on the speakers, the feeling of no doubts, no fears, and no worries. With the guys in that room, I knew we would be ok that day."

Nutley was slightly favored in the game with local area writers picking them for a slim-margined victory. Turning the ball over on its first two possessions in the game, and surrendering a 97-yard drive to fall behind 6-0, Nutley truly showed its grit, determination and poise that had been built from all of their experience through the years. About to fall behind two scores early in the game, the Raider defense, a dominant unit all year long, came up with a huge stop and fumble recovery deep in their own end and this set the tone for the rest of the game.

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The Nutley offensive line, a considerably larger and powerful unit for a high school team imposed their will right away like they did all year long springing Don Sellari for an 87-yard touchdown to take an early 2nd quarter lead. After that, it was methodical, and the execution was perfect the rest of the game. Nutley carried out its game plan and started to impose their will on their opponent. They scored 39 unanswered points and all that was left was the opening of the south end zone gates of the oval to let in the students, faculty, football alumni, and fans to rush the field for what seemed like a timeless celebration.

## 25 YEARS LATER ...

### ED GRAZIANO

"It's hard to believe it's been 25 years. At the time it was such a euphoric feeling to see all the hard work you put in for months pay off in a championship. It's a feeling of accomplishment that can never be taken away from us. It's a source of pride even now. For most of us, it was the pinnacle of our football careers, as we didn't play on the next level. We went out on top! Can't ask for much more than that. All these years later I don't see many of the guys too often if at all. But when I do, there's always that look, head nod or conversation that says, yeah we sure did kick some butt together back in '92."

### COACH RICH SAN FILLIPO

"How far this team came. From 1-8 in 1990 to a state championship appearance in 1991 to a championship

title in 1992 achieved playing against the best competition in NJ. Truly a unique group of athletes and outstanding people. I really believe the standards set by this group allowed us to play for a third state championship in 1995."

### DON SELLARI

"We made sure to maximize everything we did together as a group and it resulted in an awesome experience that forged lifelong friendships and memories that will last forever."

### FRANK DEMAIO

"We are part of Nutley Football history, nothing or no one can ever take that away. I can get together with anyone from that team and still today talk about that season. Those days are still crystal clear in my head. Our team was unlike most other teams, which is why it is still special to me today. Not one person ever had doubt that we would have the outcome we did. It was not wished for, it was not hoped for, rather it was expected and we would not settle for less. 25 years later my own son is playing in the same jersey number I did, on the same playing field, with yet another shot at a title. Time will tell, but hoping to be able to have him feel all the same emotions my team got to share 25 years ago."

**Happy 25th Anniversary to the 1992  
Nutley Raider Varsity Football Team.**



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# Nutley Public Librarians Select the Best Books, Movies, and Music for 2017

By Trina Staropoli, Senior Librarian



Are you ready for some downtime to counter the hectic holiday preparations? Chill out with a good book, movie or music CD - there are so many to choose from at the Nutley Public Library. Your Nutley Public librarians have compiled an eclectic list of their 2017 favorites.

Escape with a good book. For fiction readers, *The Scribe of Siena* by Melodie Winawer offers true escapist entertainment with its mixture of time travel, history, romance and a touch of mystery. The character-rich *I Found You* by Lisa Jewell is an atmospheric literary thriller where the past and present converge in an intense and suspenseful read. *The Idea of You* by Robinne Lee offers romance

with an edge, where a woman of a certain age meets a younger rock star, and grapples with the issues of ageism, sexism and celebrity. Traumatic events in small town life are the focus of the novels *Beartown* by Fredrik Backman where events test the moral convictions of its citizens and *Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng with circumstances that test the bonds of family, friendship and motherhood. For something a little different, try the graphic novels *Angel Catbird Volumes 1 & 2* by Margaret Atwood, a cat-centric superhero tale.

*The Black Hand: the Epic War between a Brilliant Detective and the Deadliest Secret Society in American History* by Stephan Talty is a thrilling nonfiction account of "the Italian Sherlock Holmes" Joseph Petrosino. Military and history buffs will appreciate *Huế 1968: A Turning Point of the American War in Vietnam* by Mark Bowden praised as "an epic masterpiece of heroism and sacrifice."

Teens will love the intrigue and suspense of the science fiction novel *Carve the Mark* by Veronica Roth. The new fantasy series *The Wizard of Once* by Cressida Cowell is a book to entice even the most reluctant young readers.

Graphic novel fans will love the search for true friendship in *Real Friends* by Shannon Hale. The beautifully illustrated *Good Night Stories for Rebel Girls: 100 Tales of Extraordinary Women* by Elena Favilli is a gem of a book featuring brief biographies of notable women.

Cozy up with an acclaimed film. *A United Kingdom* is a tale of forbidden love starring David Oyelowo and Rosamund Pike. The sports drama *Dangal* takes us on an inspirational journey that empowers young women to pursue male-dominated industries. Discover the drama, emotion and action that made *Baahubali 2: The Conclusion* Bollywood's highest grossing film for 2017. Immerse yourself in 9th century Anglo-Saxon England in *The Last Kingdom* television series, based on Bernard Cornwell's *The Saxon Stories* novels.

Relax with the feel-good music of Ringo Starr with his 19th studio album *Give More Love* or Pearl Jam's live shows recorded at Chicago's historic Wrigley Field in *Let's Play Two*. You can borrow music on vinyl from the library, such as U2's 30th anniversary edition of *The Joshua Tree*.

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# Neil Frazer United States Navy (1962-1984)

By Frankie Turano



When I sit on my blanket, on the soft grains of sand on the Wildwood Crest beach, and look out onto the Atlantic Ocean, where the dark surface glistens in the sun, I sometimes wonder what it would be like to serve on a mighty ship in the United States Navy. Fortunately, I have an uncle who means the world to me and who did just that, and was able to recall his honorable time served under the American flag for our great nation.

Neil Frazer is one of the kindest, loving, respected, loyal, and highly intelligent individuals that you will ever encounter. His understanding of how things work, especially in the mechanical sense, is outstanding as it is impressive. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering with a Minor in Nuclear Physics from George

Mason University. His love of ships is only outdone by his love of trains, both real as well as model, and how they function from the smallest of miniature parts to the overall creation.

Uncle Neil enlisted in the United States Navy and retired with the rank of lieutenant 22 years after a distinguished and dedicated service. He served with pride from 1962 till 1984, and served on many ships such as the USS Thomas W Snowden, the USS Sagacity, which was a mine sweeper, the USS Venture which was also a mine sweeper, the USS Koelsch which was a high-speed destroyer, and the USS Saipan which was an assault carrier.

He served on the USS Brister during the Vietnam War and explained what that experience was like.

"The USS Brister was a destroyer, which had a 10-cylinder 20-piston engine that was very reliable," he said. "It was a diesel engine which was a Fairbanks-Morse engine, the same engine used in trains such as the Pennsylvania





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and Jersey Central. During my time in Vietnam, we would sail along the coast, better known as market time patrol, stopping and inspecting ships for weapons. North Vietnam had no navy, but used smaller ships to transport weapons since it was nearly impossible to transport on land. The British were still trading with Vietnam, and so we would inspect their cargo just to make sure everything was on the up and up."

He recalls a particularly dangerous event: "One day at 5:30 in the morning, we hailed a ship that did not answer our call to pull over and receive inspection. They quickly beached the ship onto land, and then ran off into the jungle. We sent a search party towards the ship and as they came upon it, they were fired at with a 50-caliber machine gun. Our men returned to our ship and thank God they did. The ship we were going to inspect was booby-trapped and exploded into a million pieces. Later, in the scattered debris, we had discovered Russian made rifles and claymore mines littering the coast."

"My primary duty on the ship was radar," he explains. The ship's primary duty, besides inspection, was to move Marines from point to point as they were needed. An interesting fact about the USS Brister was its ability to sink the back of the ship 18 feet into the water. This would allow a landing craft to ride up into the ship, and a mono-rail overhead would distribute supplies to the LCU's where they would back out and resupply the Marines that were fighting on land. Our ship would then stay as a

hospital, have the ability to supply parts, and act in a military support fashion."

Uncle Neil explained how a minesweeper worked. "The minesweepers at the time were wooden hulled. We had nonmagnetic engines, diesel engines with aluminum blocks. There was a machine on board with a sensor system that would induce a current in reverse to make the ship magnetically zero. The ship would have to pass over a magnetic mine before it could destroy it. We would then drag behind what looked like a rake with metal claws. This is the apparatus that would make the mine explode."

We talked a great deal more on all aspects of military life. On how powdered eggs and pancakes were a staple in one's diet. How he was one of the few people to receive a Golden Shellback, a rare status for a sailor who has crossed the Equator at the International Date Line (00.00 N and 00.00 E).

I would like to personally thank you for your service, Mustang Lieutenant Neil S Frazer, and for your contribution to your country.

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# Children's Books

## Author Ilene Dudek

By Joyce Corey

**W**hat do you get when you mix imagination, clever illustrations, and an ant?

Local author, Ilene Dudek, wrote two delightful children's books with that exact combination.

*Little Ant on the Go*, the first book in the series, made its hometown debut at the Nutley Public Library in September with a special Meet the Author Story Time. Ilene not only read the book in an engaging animated style, but she invited her audience to connect the story to their own personal experiences.

Ilene also gave a sneak peek of the second book, *Little Ant Hears a Noise*, which was released in October. When asked what she thought of the library event, she said, "It was super fun." And the smiles on the faces of the young readers in attendance confirmed that opinion.

Writing a book has always been her dream and this opportunity presented itself to her in a different sort of way. "I was working as a part-time copywriter for Movado Group when I was laid off. That was March, 2017," she said. "What a blessing in disguise! I knew that it was either now or never to pursue my dreams. The story of the little ant was inspired by my children and is the perfect expression of what my family life has come to be. We are always



Ilene Dudek and her 'on the go' boys find adventure in everything they do. See how the little ant faces his fear of nighttime noises in Ilene's new book *Little Ant Hears a Noise*.



on the go and looking for the next big adventure!"

Ilene describes the process from idea to publication. "It took me only a few short months to hand-draw pictures, write copy and self-publish my book. I couldn't wait to get it out there. In June 2017, *Little Ant on the Go* was released."

Self-publishing through Amazon's CreateSpace offered her the perfect venue. "I did everything from writing, illustrating, and editing the story."

Drawing the pictures for the book tapped into a talent Ilene had since childhood. "As long as I can remember, I loved to draw. In school, I would doodle in the margins of notebooks. I would create elaborate scenes and silly characters."

*Little Ant on the Go* was inspired by her son, Alex. "When he was three, and potty training, he asked me to tell him a story," she said.

In a wonderfully fun way, real life touched fiction in the plot of this book. The story is about a little ant that gets flushed down the toilet and embarks on a wild adventure to find his way home.

Both of her sons, Matthew and Alex, are proud of their mom, the author.

And Ilene is also quite happy with her newfound success. "I can finally say I am exactly where I need to be. I am drawing, writing, and realizing my childhood dreams. Every day I wake up to a new journey, a new story that is the adventure of my life!"

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# Nutley Family Service Bureau: Winter Holiday Food Initiative

By Joyce Corey

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On one level, the NFSB food pantry connects people. Whenever anyone donates food items, money, or gift cards, there is someone on the receiving side. Yet, with the holiday food distributions, it's more than just 'giving' and 'getting'; NFSB strives to make this as family-oriented and cost-effective as possible.

The NFSB has shown their fiscal responsibility over the years and everyone in town has benefited. Yes, everyone. Even if a person has never contacted this organization, its presence strengthens our entire community through the services and programs they offer.

The months of November and December are especially busy at NFSB. In addition to the twice monthly food distribution to participants of the food pantry, there is a Thanksgiving "Baskets & Bags" Distribution and Winter Holidays Food Initiative. Throughout November, NFSB bustles with Thanksgiving in mind. Depending on the number of members in a given household, bags and baskets are packed for families to prepare a traditional Thanksgiving dinner with all the fixings. NFSB has been extremely fortunate to be on the receiving end of community generosity which enables this effort. For example, the agency has received donations from the Walker Foundation, Nanina's, Cheer Me Up Foundation, the Kiwanis Club of Belleville-Nutley and many more community partners. In addition, countless Nutley residents "give back" by generously donating frozen turkeys, or grocery store gift cards.



On the heels of the Thanksgiving Distribution, NFSB gears up for its Winter Holiday Initiative. Last year, the effort primarily involved providing food pantry participants with gift cards for grocery purchases. The gift cards are appreciated because they allow for personal preferences or item selections that meet individual needs, which can be particularly pressing during the holidays. Eileen Painter, Executive Director at NFSB reminds us that, "Choice is an important factor in promoting the normalcy of shopping for items that are taken home." A big shout-out goes to the Nutley Park ShopRite for their continued support yearlong, and especially during holidays in helping NFSB utilize gift card donations to maximize their purchasing power.

This year gift cards will be especially appreciated as a redevelopment project at the NFSB Annex at 169 Chestnut St is slated soon to get underway. In yet another instance of community generosity, during renovations, the twice-monthly food distribution will continue at St Paul's Congregational Church, where the parishioners have graciously provided space. Until that time, food donations will happily be accepted at the 169 Chestnut St. location. Please check the NFSB website for updates ([www.nutleyfamily.org/foodpantry](http://www.nutleyfamily.org/foodpantry)) or call the NFSB main office for information regarding food or gift card donations (973-667-1884).

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# The Superintendent of Nutley Public Schools: Dr. Julie Glazer

By Joyce Corey

## How do you describe your job?

Being the superintendent is like being Chief Executive Officer of a company. I report to the board, manage the budget, oversee approximately 450 employees, and am committed to our product: excellent education for all of Nutley's students.

## What do you like most about being Superintendent of Nutley Public Schools?

I am so fortunate to work with a board who is committed to enhancing education for all students whether general education, special education, college or career-bound. Our teachers are passionate and consistently go above and beyond for each student in the district. The smiles from the students make my day.



## What other organizations, associations, and non-profits are you associated with?

I am a member of the Nutley Rotary, a Trustee of the Library Board and try to attend the events and programs of each of the town organization's events. On any given day you may see me at Unico, Third Half Club, VFW, The Nutley Family Service Bureau, walking for Thriving Survivors or the John H. Walker Foundation, attending a PTO meeting or one of the many booster club programs.

## Are there any challenges you face in your role that you want readers to know about?

When I joined the district in

July 2016, the board and previous administrations had already been grappling with overcrowding in the schools for years. One of the first things I was required to do was to add trailers at Yantacaw and Washington schools to accommodate students. Additionally, I had to add class sections, deny variances to attend other schools, and divert new students registering to the district from their home schools. This has continued into this school year. Class sizes have continued to rise at every school, and we are using every available space for instruction, even those not initially intended for instruction. At the high school, we even have to use hallway space for physical education. These are meant to be temporary solutions. Without adding instructional space to Yantacaw and Washington elementary schools, the John Walker Middle School and Nutley High School, we will continue to be at space capacity, will be facing a soft re-districting to manage space utilization and class size, and by 2021 will need to add additional trailers.

We have looked at every solution put forth for meeting these challenges including identifying possible space and the cost for building a new school, and combining grade levels at current schools. None of these have proven to be viable. Working with a team of architects, the commissioners, bond attorney and financial advisor, the board and I have proposed possible construction projects that are meant to be a 15-20 year solution. The commissioners purchased the Davis Property (Nutley Bike Shop) for the specific purpose of adding on to John H. Walker Middle School to bring the Grade 6 students over and free up class room space in each elementary school building. Unfortunately, just doing this one project is not enough to resolve the district-wide capacity issue. The Board of Education has resolved to move forward with a referendum to ask the community to allow them to bond for the money necessary to complete each of the projects including those at Yantacaw, Washington, and NHS.

Not only will a positive outcome for the referendum on December 12th resolve our space issues, including the removal of all current trailers, our Grade 6-8 students will



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realize the many benefits of participating in an authentic middle school model and course offerings can continue to be enhanced allowing us to even better prepare students for college and career.  
(Current information about these construction projects is available on the district website at [www.nutleyschools.org](http://www.nutleyschools.org))

**What do you like most about Nutley?**

I have found Nutley to be a warm and welcoming community. The multi-generational engagement and many town-wide events have allowed me to quickly find ways to be an involved, active participant.

**You work hard. What do you do for fun?**

I love to travel! My most recent trip was to Cuba. In my next career I would like to be a travel writer and photographer. I am also an encaustic artist and do ceramics. Nothing better than a day in the studio!

**Tell us something about yourself that we'd be surprised to know.**

I was a competitive skydiver in college, and at one point got my hot air balloon pilot's license. Best balloon flight was over the Serengeti in Kenya.

**What is a favorite quote or words of wisdom that you try to live by?**

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**concentrate on**  
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# EVENTS CALENDAR **DECEMBER** 2017

**Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Fri.**

## **Old Guard Club**

@Recreation Department, 44 Park Ave.

Time: 9am

Cost: Free

For more information contact Linda Hamilton, Senior Citizen Coordinator at 973-284-4966

**Dec. 2, Sat.**

## **Gingerbread House Making Workshop**

@Essex County Environmental Center; 621-B Eagle Rock Ave., Roseland

Stop by the Essex County Environmental Center and the resourceful staff will get you started on your own unique creation. All gingerbread projects must be completed by 1pm to be considered for the contest. Some materials will be provided, however, you are encouraged to bring your own items. This is the last day to register for the contest. Advance registration is required.

Time: 11am-1pm

Cost: Free

For more information about this event or the contest call 973-228-8776.

**Dec. 2, Sat.**

## **Maternity Meet-and-Greet: Getting to Know the Maternity Center**

@Clara Maass Medical Center; 1 Clara Maas Dr., Belleville

Prepare for the birth of your child by meeting staff, touring the Maternity Center and learning about various parent education classes. Get to know the Labor-and-Delivery unit and ask about admitting procedures and childbirth options. Tours are also available by request.

Time: 3:30pm

Cost: Free

For more information call 1-888-724-7123

**Dec. 2-3, Sat.-Sun.**

## **Essex County Historic Holiday House Tour**

@3 Kingsland St.

The 1700s brownstone Dutch Colonial is steeped in history and beautifully decorated for the holidays. Come explore the historic homestead of the Kingsland family and beyond, set within park-like grounds overlooking a pond and waterfalls. Take a tour, shop in the gift shop, and enjoy holiday refreshments.

Time: 1-4pm

Cost: Free but donations are accepted

For more information visit [www.kingslandmanor.org](http://www.kingslandmanor.org)

**Dec. 4, Mon.**

## **Monday Night Book Club with Justin Derman**

@Nutley Public Library, 93 Booth Dr.

Enjoy the Calypso rhythm of Trinidad and Jamaica performed by Justin Derman. Derman's performance credits include orchestra percussion, contemporary music, world music and drum set experience.

Time: 7-8pm

For more information visit [www.nutleypubliclibrary.org](http://www.nutleypubliclibrary.org)

**Dec. 4, Mon.**

## **Surgical Options for Weight Loss**

@Clara Maass Medical Center; 1 Clara Maass Dr., Belleville

The seminar will cover what to expect before, during and after Bariatric surgery. Visit the campus

and meet acclaimed Bariatric Surgeon Naveen Ballem, M.D., Director of Bariatric Surgery at Clara Maass Medical Center; the Bariatric Surgery Team and former Bariatric surgery patients. Immediately after the seminar, participants have an opportunity to stay in The Learning Center to attend the Bariatric Support Group Session.

Time: 6-7pm

For more information about this and other events visit [www.barnabashealth.org/Events-Calendar](http://www.barnabashealth.org/Events-Calendar)

**Dec. 4, 11, 18, Mon.**

## **Breast Cancer Support Group**

@Clara Maass Medical Center; Cancer Center; 1 Clara Maass Dr., Belleville

Whether coping with a recent diagnosis or survivorship, Clara Maass invites you to share your journey with others. Light refreshments will be served. Please register in advance.

Time: 4pm

For more information or are interested in attending call Joanna Tortora at 973-844-4150 or email [Joanna.Tortora@rwjbh.org](mailto:Joanna.Tortora@rwjbh.org)

**Dec. 4, 11, 18, 25, Mon.**

## **ESL Classes**

@Nutley Public Library, 93 Booth Dr.

Time: 6:30-8:30pm

For more information about other class days and times visit [www.nutleypubliclibrary.org](http://www.nutleypubliclibrary.org)

**Dec. 4, 11, 18, 25, Mon.**

## **Pulmonary Function Test at Clara Maass Medical Center**

@Clara Maass Medical Center; Pulmonary Function Lab, 1 Clara Maass Dr., Belleville

Pulmonary Function Tests (PFT)

indicate how the lungs are functioning; specifically, whether the lungs are able to bring enough oxygen into the air sacs and allow the oxygen to get into the blood for use by other vital organs. PFTs are usually performed in order to follow for the progression of lung disease and are also used to determine if surgery is appropriate. You must have a prescription for PFT.

Time: 7:30am-3:30pm

For more information, other program times, or to register for an appointment call 973-450-2263

**Dec. 4, 11, 18, 25, Mon.**

## **Self Help Program: Tai Chi, Qigong, Yoga, Stress Technique & Meditation**

@Parks and Recreation Bldg., 44 Park Ave.

Time: 10-11am

For more information contact Linda Hamilton, Senior Citizen Coordinator at 973-284-4966

**Dec. 4, 11, 18, 25, Mon.**

## **Senior Art Program**

@Parks and Recreation Bldg., 44 Park Ave.

Time: 1-2:30pm

For more information contact Linda Hamilton, Senior Citizen Coordinator at 973-284-4966

**Dec. 5, 19, Tue.**

## **Board of Commissioners Meeting**

@Town Hall, 3rd Floor Commission Chambers

Time: 7pm

Open to the public

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**Dec. 5, 12, 19, 26, Tue.**

Golden Age Club  
@Parks and Recreation Bldg., 44  
Park Ave.

Time: 12:30pm  
Cost: Free

For more information contact  
Linda Hamilton, Senior Citizen  
Coordinator at 973-284-4966

**Dec. 5, 12, 19, 26, Tue.**

**Pulmonary Rehabilitation at  
Clara Maass Medical Center**

@Clara Maass Medical Center,  
Cardiac Rehabilitation Department,  
1 Clara Maass Dr., Belleville

This program helps individuals  
who have moderate to severe  
breathing problems overcome  
physical limitations resulting  
from their disease. Candidates  
for the program include patients  
recovering from an acute  
pulmonary episode, people with  
lung disorders and anyone whose  
activities are limited by chronic lung  
disease and shortness of breath.  
Time: 7am-3pm

For more information, other  
program times, or to register for  
an appointment call 973-450-  
2263. Parking garage tickets will be  
validated.

**Dec. 6, Wed.**

**Essex County Clerk Program**

@Recreation Department, 44 Park  
Ave.

On the first Wednesday of each  
month the Essex County Clerk's  
office is available at the Recreation  
Department for residents to  
obtain passports and Notary Public  
services.

Time: 2-8pm

Cost: Free

For more information visit [www.nutleynj.org/recreation](http://www.nutleynj.org/recreation)

**Dec. 6, 13, 20, 27, Wed.**

**Senior Bingo**

@Recreation Department, 44 Park  
Ave.

Time: 12:30-3pm

For more information contact  
Linda Hamilton, Senior Citizen  
Coordinator at 973-284-4966

**Dec. 6, 13, 20, 27, Wed.**

**Wednesday Afternoon Knitters**

@Nutley Public Library, 93 Booth  
Dr.

Come share your love of knitting  
and crocheting with both beginning  
and experienced knitters. Meet  
fellow knitters, brush-up on  
your skills, and learn some new

techniques. Please bring your own  
supplies.

Time: 1-3pm

Cost: Free

For more information visit [www.nutleypubliclibrary.org](http://www.nutleypubliclibrary.org)

**Dec. 7, Thurs.**

**Nutrition Support Groups –  
Healthy Recipe Substitutions  
and Healthy Recipe Swap**

@Clara Maass Medical Center,  
Cancer Center Resource Room, 1  
Clara Maass Dr., Belleville

Patients can speak with a  
Registered Dietitian Nutritionist  
about nutrition as it relates to  
their diagnosis and side effects  
from treatments. Refreshments are  
provided and your parking garage  
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friends are invited as well.

Time: 6-7pm

For more information call 973-450-  
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**Dec. 8, Fri.**

**Stay Firm on Our Feet**

@Lyndhurst Health Department,  
Carucci Senior Building, 281  
Stuyvesant Ave., Lyndhurst

Find out more about common  
causes of falls so you can improve

your balance and strength and  
reduce your chances of injury. Join  
Carl Gargiulo, Physical Therapist  
and Michael Yasso, Physical  
Therapist for tips on how to keep  
your home safe. Learn how to  
perform exercises in your home to  
prevent a fall. A light lunch will be  
provided.

Time: 12pm

Cost: Free

For more information or to  
register call the Lyndhurst Health  
Department at 201-804-2500

**Dec. 9-10, Sat.-Sun.**

**Story Time with Santa and Mrs.  
Claus**

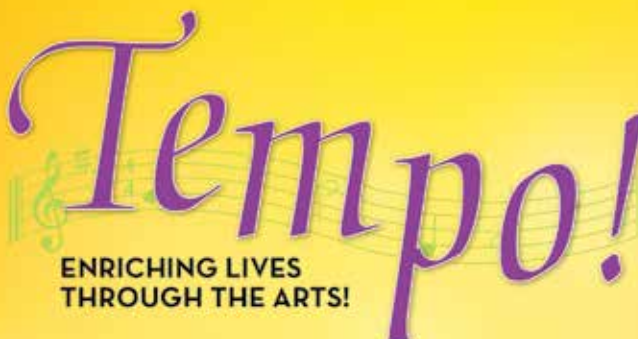
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## **Dec. 10, Sun.** **Welcome Baby! Sibling Program**

@Clara Maass Medical Center, 1 Clara Maas Dr., Belleville  
Children will receive a tour of the Maternity Unit along with personalized age-appropriate information about the childbirth process.

Time: 10am-12pm

Cost: Free

For more information call 1-888-724-7123

## **Dec. 11, Mon.** **Considering Breast Feeding?**

@Clara Maass Medical Center, 1 Clara Maas Dr., Belleville  
Clara Maass Medical Center nurses, who are trained-lactation experts, will give expectant mothers information about the advantages of breastfeeding, maternal nutrition, breast care and breastfeeding tips for the working mother.

Time: 7-9pm

Cost: \$25 per person

For more information call 1-888-724-7123

## **Dec. 13, Wed.** **Living Well with Parkinson's Disease Support Group and Workshop**

@Clara Maass Medical Center, Cancer Center Conference Room 1 Clara Maas Dr., Belleville  
This monthly meeting provides an opportunity to talk openly and honestly, aid in finding resources and answers to important questions, and allows one to be a significant participant of a meaningful group. Essential information regarding

symptoms, treatments, and medication management will be discussed. Sessions will also offer opportunities to share your experiences and help others throughout this journey in a safe and caring environment.

Time: 10-11am

For more information or to register contact Dhyana Velez, RN or Fabiana Alvarez, RN at 973-450-2631. Parking tickets will be validated.

## **Dec. 15, Fri.** **A Candlelight Reading of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol"**

@3 Kingsland St.

Listen to this timeless yuletide tale in the home of the Kingsland family, surrounded by holiday decorations, flickering candles and period furnishings. Light refreshments will be served. Recommended for adults and young adults (ages 12+). A total of 25 tickets will be sold for this event.

Time: 7-10pm

Cost: \$15 per ticket

For more information visit [www.kingslandmanor.org](http://www.kingslandmanor.org)

## **Dec. 19, Tue.** **Graphic Novel Club for Adults**

The group will be discussing *Sculptor* by Scott McCloud.

Time: 7-8pm

Cost: Free

For more information visit [www.nutleypubliclibrary.org](http://www.nutleypubliclibrary.org)

## **Dec. 27, Wed.** **Baby Shower Infant Care Class**

@Clara Maass Medical Center, 1 Clara Maas Dr., Belleville  
Designed for families planning to deliver at Clara Mass Medical Center, this two-hour program

covers basic infant care, safety and postpartum concerns. Participants receive a free gift. A physician's approval is required.

Time: 7-9pm

Cost: Free

For more information call 1-888-724-7123

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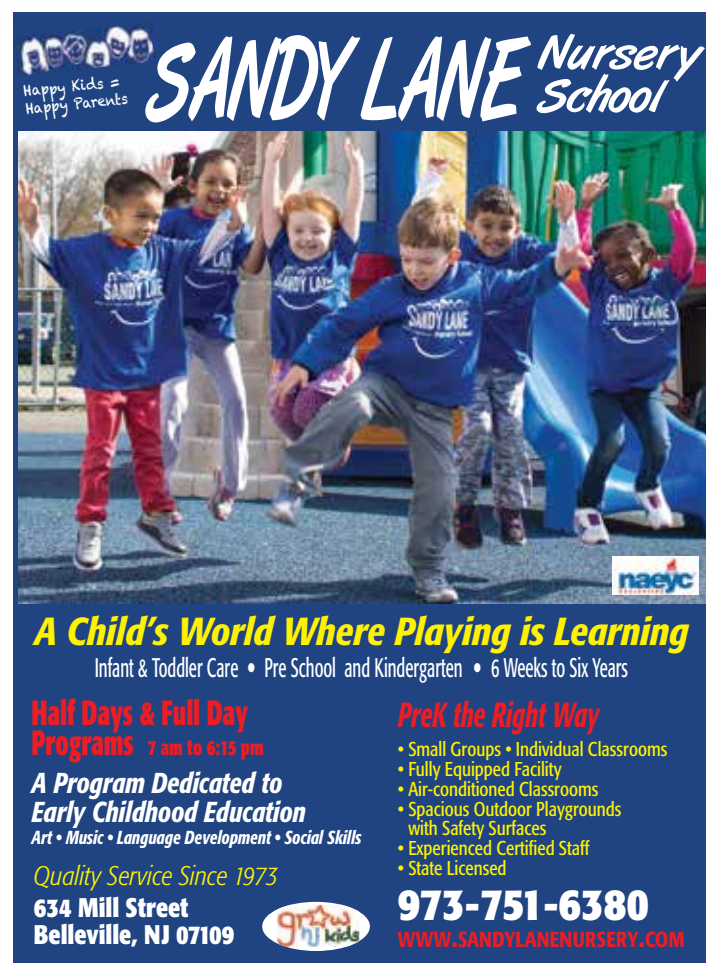
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Mr. Tozzo



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