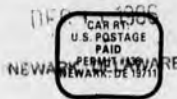


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Dr. E.A. Trabant

U. of D. president begins 'winter' of 19-year term

by Neil Thomas

President after starch-pressed college president stares down from the hallowed walls, keeping quiet watch over the daily comings and goings in the office of their successor, University of Delaware chief executive Dr. E. A. Trabant.

Outside Trabant's cavernous Hüllihen Hall office, students trundle along narrow walkways beneath bare-limbed trees, books tucked firmly under their arms and scarves knotted warmly against the first chill of winter.

Someday soon, Trabant's portrait will surely be hung next to those of the distinguished gentlemen in Hüllihen Hall. For now, he is in the winter of his term as president of the state's most revered institution of higher learning, a term which began in 1968.

Trabant announced earlier this year that he will retire as president when the Class of 1987 earns its diplomas. Come June, he will be packing up his belongings — including a desk top pen melted during a campus firebombing — and settling into a new Newark area home for a quieter life with wife — Jerry.

As a retiree, Trabant hopes to spend more time on the activities for which he has precious little leisure time now — fast walking/slow jogging, swimming, bicycling, hooking rugs and gardening.

He also plans to remain in the U. of D. picture, returning to the classroom as a professor of mathematics. That is the position from which he began his climb up the administrative ladder at such institutions as Purdue, the University of Buffalo and Georgia Tech.

Trabant gets a special gleam in his eye when he discusses the joys of teaching, speaking brightly of those times "when you are able to present material so that the students understand it and get a new, almost shattering idea from what you've presented."

For now, Trabant is very much aware of the immediate and long-range future of the University and is keenly interested in the board of trustees' process of selecting his successor. In every sentence spoken about the successor, Trabant very directly uses the pronoun "she."

"I am quite committed to the advancement of the status of women," Trabant said, citing that and efforts to bring more minority students on campus as the two leading accomplishments of his presidency.

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Dr. E.A. Trabant

Harmony traffic is sour note

New north-south road is needed

Harmony Road is choked with cars and the entire east Newark Metroform area is short on north-south traffic capacity.

That is the message sent to the New Castle County Planning Board during a Dec. 2 hearing on a proposal by Red Roof Inn to rezone a tract of land at the southeast corner of the Harmony Road-Del. 273 intersection for construction of a 112-unit motel.

Residents of the Hillside Heights, Tanglewood and Pilgrim Gardens — or HTP — area told the Planning Board that they are not specifically opposed to the proposed motel, but believe it should not be approved until some relief is found for the heavy traffic which inundates Harmony Road.

"What the community made clear," said Vic Singer, a member of the HTP Civic Association board and the Civic League for New Castle County Executive Committee, "is that by far the most important issue is the traffic issue."

And, he added, there will be no support for such development proposals "unless they (the State Department of Transportation) relieve traffic on Harmony Road."

Currently, Singer said the road from Del. 4 to Del. 273 carries 11,933 vehicles per day with a weekday peak of 14,505.

That volume of traffic has been created by the rapid growth in Metroform, Kirkwood Highway and the Pike Creek Valley, with motorists moving between those areas and Interstate-95, Singer said.

He believes that the volume requires four additional north-south lanes besides those provided by Red Mill Road and Harmony Road.

And he believes DelDOT has faued to respond to the needs of the area, with no immediate plans for action.

Possibilities, Singer said, include the extension of Churchman's Road through the Delaware Park property to Kirkwood Highway or construction of a new artery from the

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Newark Noel Saturday

Newark Noel, a program of holiday music, will be held Saturday, Dec. 13 on the lawn of the historic Academy Building on Main Street. The event will begin at 11 a.m. with music by Cub Scout Pack 941. It will continue 2-3 p.m. with a performance by the Newark Community Bank, and 3-4 p.m. with music by the Boy Scout Troop 56 Brass Ensemble.

Val's Needy Family Fund

Val's Needy Family Fund, a drive to help local families during the holiday season, is under way. To contribute canned goods or money, stop by Val's Barber Shop or the Bank of Delaware, both in Fairfield Shopping Center. This year the Fund, established by Val Nardo, will assist 400-500 families.

Winning Miss: Nicci Dent

Newark High School student wins national pageant title and begins year-long reign

by Nancy Turner

Her dark hair falls softly into curls over her shoulders as sunlight from a nearby window dances on the glistening brown waves. Even when December's sky is damp and cold, her porcelain complexion is radiant. This is Nicci Dent and on Nov. 1 of this year, she became the 1987 queen of the Miss Teen All American Pageant held at the Sheraton Hotel in Bar Harbor, Fla.

Although she can display the charm and stage presence of a professional model when the occasion requires, Nicci is as down to earth as "the girl next door." She thinks that beauty pageants are great as long as girls remember to keep the right values in perspective.

Today, this queen is out of school a bit early and like dozens of other seniors her age from Newark High School, she is looking forward to relaxing at home in an old pair of jeans, bobby socks and sneakers.

With the theme song from "Days of Our Lives" beckoning in the background, homework finished, maybe a chore done here or there, the time is right to bundle up in a cozy blanket and settle in for an afternoon of TV, telephone talk, and a few harmless little Reese's cups.

Aside from having recently won a fur coat, luggage, \$1,000 per-month for a year, all expense paid, trips across the USA and a sparkling crown and trophy, Nicci is just like the rest of her friends. She loves clothes, music — "as long as it isn't heavy metal — dancing, soccer, girls softball, shopping, Sally Field's acting, and, of course, that one special boy who graduated from Mark's last year.

Nicci likes her mother's cooking, too, and grins when she says that she doesn't diet much. Regular portions at meal time intervals help her 5'7" frame to maintain a perfect 115 pounds.

The Brown-eyed Newark senior has competed in five pageants since entering her first beauty contest at age 13. Five pageants may seem like a demanding schedule for a young girl, but Nicci has met other contestants who have participated in as many as 30 or 40 different pageants by the time they have reached 18 years of age.

Some beauty contestants attend special schools to learn poise and balance in preparation for competitions. Nicci discussed the idea with her family and coaches, but everyone agreed that such instruction was not necessary yet. Nicci was certainly a natural in the business and would do fine with a little additional training in cosmetics, wardrobe planning and dance.

Pageantry is also expensive. Nicci's wardrobe for the Miss Teen All America Pageant alone was valued between \$2,000-\$3,000. Incidentals like family air fare and lodging, flowers, meals and photographers add up to make beauty competition an investment in finance as well as hard work. In Nicci's case, they both paid off.

Nicci believes that every girl who enters a pageant emerges as

a winner. "Each time I have competed in a pageant, I have learned something different. Usually, it's about myself. When the lights hit me, I know instantly what I can and cannot do. I was 13 at my first pageant and when I got out on the stage, I matured just like that," she said snapping her fingers briskly.

"I'm usually a little nervous for about five minutes before I go on stage, but by the time I start down the runway the nervousness is all over. First I say a little prayer, then I just go out and do what I've got to do."

Someday she hopes to vie for the title of Miss America, but thinks it will have to wait a couple of years. "I won't be ready for a while. Because it is such a prestigious title, I think they want someone a little older who is better able to take care of herself. Later on, if winning another title is meant to be, it will be. Meanwhile, I will try not to take the competitiveness too seriously and try to have fun," said Nicci.

Nicci lives at home with her parents, Richard and Jorja Dent in Robscott Manor, and has a brother, Bill, who is also a Newark resident.



Nicci Dent, a resident of Robscott Manor, is Miss Teen All-American for 1987. She captured the title during a Florida pageant, and won \$1,000 per month for one year.

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City approves rezoning for Hanceton apts.

In a close and clearly difficult vote, Newark City Council voted 4-3 Monday night to approve rezoning of a three-quarter acre parcel at the southeastern corner of Elkton and Murray roads from general business to business limited residential.

Owner Harvey Morris of North East, Md. plans to build a 16-unit apartment complex on the site, a proposal which has stirred a great deal of controversy in the quiet neighborhood nearby.

"We do not want it rezoned, we do not want an apartment complex there," residents' spokesman Gary McKee of 216 W. Park Place told Council before the vote.

McKee said residents preferred leaving the property in a general business zoning classification. "This property is commercial. We should let it stand that way," McKee said, adding that there are commercial uses — such as real estate offices — which would be acceptable alternatives for the site.

Although the rezoning was what planners call a "downzoning," generally meaning a more restrictive use for the property and generally applauded by neighbors, McKee said "All this is

going to do is make it worse." McKee said the chief concerns are traffic and the quality of life on Murray and Peach streets. "This is going to be a fairly large rental complex we're talking about here," he said.

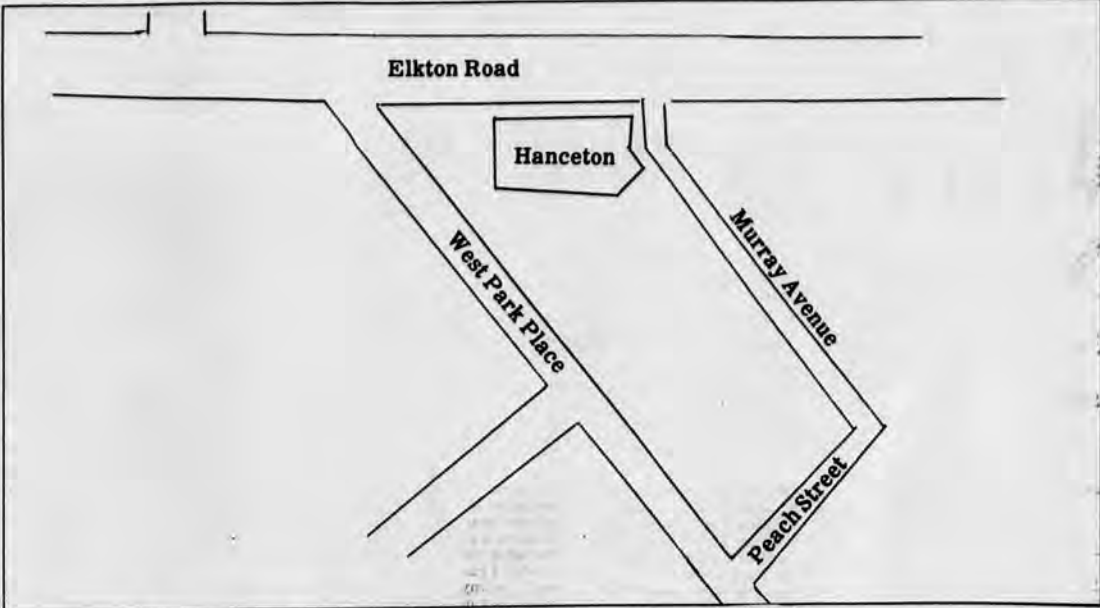
McKee said Council has time and time again heard of problems near other rental units leased to University of Delaware students, and fears similar problems at the new complex, to be called Hanceton.

"You've heard people complain about rowdiness, vandalism and anti-social behavior. Let's solve the problem we have... then let's build apartment complexes."

Byron Shurtleff of 105 W. Park Place said the traffic and overflow parking from Hanceton will "have tremendous impact" and "be a diminution of the quality of life for the people there."

Such concerns were echoed by Councilman Olan Thomas, who said he did not feel "this is a proper use for this area."

"Murray is an awfully narrow street," said Councilman Louise Brothers, "and if students are living there, you can guarantee there will be at least 48 cars." The Hanceton lot is designed to hold 32.



Newark Noel set Saturday

The schedule for a Newark Noel, a community concerned scheduled Saturday, Dec. 13, has been altered.

The event, to be held in the lawn of the historic Academy Building on Main Street, will begin at 11 a.m. with a presentation by Cub Scout Pack 941.

Music will continue 2-3 p.m. with a concert by the Newark Community Band, and will conclude 3-4 p.m. with a concert by

the Boy Scout Troop 56 Brass Ensemble.

Newark Noel, which is sponsored by the Newark Business Association in conjunction with the Newark Department of Parks and Recreation and the University of Delaware, will also feature a visit by Mrs. Santa Claus.

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The ban includes the east side of Paper Mill Road from Old Paper Mill Road to a point 335 feet north of Wharton Drive, and the west side of the road from a point 800 feet north of Wharton Drive to a point 680 feet south of Wharton.

It is being instituted because of the large number of University of Delaware students who either spill over from the crowded Paper Mill Apartments parking lot or who park along the road to take advantage of the University shuttle bus system.

Kevin Sullivan of 351 Paper Mill Rd. told Council that the measure is needed to ensure the safety of local residents. He said students' cars parked near driveways make it difficult to see oncoming traffic when trying to pull onto Paper Mill Road.

A neighbor, Jay Mosebach of 348 Paper Mill Rd., said students often park in front of his home, blocking curb access to trash collectors, mail deliverers and school buses.

"My son has to walk into the lanes of traffic to get to his school bus (because of the parked cars)," Mosebach said.



Brookside Lions member Allen Streett (front) and customer Richard Allen get some backup support from Sarah Allen, 3, as they cart a Christmas tree off the Lion's lot on Chestnut Hill Road.

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NEWS

City against new road at Stafford

Newark City Council went on record Monday night as opposed to construction of a new road into the Stafford subdivision and in favor of opening all streets from the new community into adjoining neighborhoods.

In effect, the action takes the city out of the middle of a long, complex and controversial fight over access to Stafford and puts the issue squarely on the shoulders of developer Nicholas Baldini and the State Department of Transportation.

Council acted after being asked by the state to revise its subdivision agreement with Baldini to permanently reserve three lots in Stafford for construction of the proposed new road.

The state wrote the city that in conjunction with reservation of those lots, it would prefer an agreement between Newark and the developer to open access on Mulberry, Woodlawn and Stafford avenues. It was indicated that the state would settle for access from Mulberry only if parties could not agree to wider access to Stafford.

The issue has been simmering since the summer of 1985, when the city first entered into a subdivision agreement with Baldini.

Controversy over the new road and access from other roads erupted. Residents of Windy Hills fear loss of their long-standing entrance and concerned about the safety of Mulberry as a major artery.

Residents of Lumbrook Prestwick Farms and Parkview concerned about the safety of children playing near Woodlawn, which they did not want to see become a heavily traveled alternative to Kirkwood Highway. The roads run parallel from near Windy Hills to the Cleveland Avenue intersection.

At Monday's meeting, Dean Lee of 9 S. Dillwyn Rd. in Windy Hills, whose driveway lies on Mulberry, expressed concern about construction of the proposed new road into Stafford and the resulting traffic it would bring past her home.

The new road would be an "unnecessary expense to taxpayers" when the "existing roads, if open, would provide for the safe and efficient movement of traffic," Lee said.

Bill Just of 501 Woodlawn Avenue in Prestwick Farms, however, said he favors construction of the new road and closing of Woodlawn and Stafford avenues to through traffic for safety reasons.

"There seems to be a tremendous amount of traffic coming through our development," he said, urging Council to act favorably on the state's request.

Gerald Hickey of the Windy Hills Civic Association disagreed with Just's traffic assessment, saying it is a "trickle rather than the flood feared by Lumbrook and Prestwick Farms residents."

Just also reiterated the state's position that a new entrance is needed because the present Windy Hills entrance simply does not have enough stacking room for cars turning left into the development from the westbound lane.

For his part, Baldini said all he wants is to get on with his business. "I'm sorry I ever heard of the new road," he said. "There's a limit to how much a person can be able to do."

With the city's action, by a 5-2 vote with Councilman Olan Thomas and Louise Brothers in the minority, Baldini is free to use the three lots in question. If the state wants them, it will have to purchase them or go through condemnation proceedings.

Arson suspect is arrested

by Cathleen Fromm

A 19-year-old Maryland man was arrested last week in connection with the arson of a residential home at 711 Elkton Rd. on Nov. 30, according to Cpl. Donald Walp of the Newark police Department.

The suspect, Thomas Wayne Rankin of Pasadena, Md., is a former employee of the construction company owned by the victim, Robert Hohn.

Walp said the fire was caused by the dumping and subsequent ignition of a 5-gallon gasoline can in a storage shed located 12 feet from the house. The gasoline can in the shed exploded and blew the roof off.

At the time of the fire, only one of the four residents — Hohn himself — was in the house. Hohn was asleep inside but awoke to the

sound of a window breaking. He fled the residence, and neighbors contacted Aetna Hose, Hook and Ladder Co. The fire was extinguished at approximately 2 a.m.

According to police, the residents returned to their home at 7:30 a.m. and found a note in the living room. The note read, "I shall leave no prisoners."

In addition to the note, Hohn discovered that two stereo speakers were missing from a second shed in the backyard.

Police investigation into the fire revealed that Rankin had been making verbal threats of revenge to the victim, Walp said.

Rankin was traced to a house in Bear, where he was arrested.

Rankin was charged with arson in the first degree and reckless endangering in the first degree, police said.



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Skateboard restrictions

Council passes bill to ban use on Main Street sidewalks

Hoping not to be killjoys, the members of Newark City Council voted Monday night to kill a proposed skateboard control ordinance which they felt would have been too restrictive on use of the once-again-popular vehicles.

Instead, Council passed first reading of a second skateboard control ordinance which better defines the city's original intention of banning use of skateboards on all city streets, as well as on sidewalks in the central business district only.

The proposal calls for a prohibition of skateboard use on Main Street sidewalks from Tyre Avenue to Elkton Road. Public hearing and final action will be held during Council's Jan. 12 meeting.

Council members and

skateboard enthusiasts were concerned that the original proposal would have banned skateboards from all city sidewalks — not just those on Main Street — and thus would have limited use severely.

Newark Police Lt. Jeff Townsend said the ban on Main Street sidewalks is necessary because of the potential danger in mixing fast-moving skateboards with slower moving pedestrians.

Skateboards are already banned from roadways by state law and city ordinance, he said.

Geoffrey Kaucic, a University of Delaware student who uses a skateboard as a means of transportation around town, asked Council to consider the needs of people such as himself. "If you throw us off the sidewalk, you will

not solve the problem (of congestion on Main Street sidewalks)," he said.

Kaucic asked Council to consider a bicycle lane on Main Street as an alternative thoroughfare for students and local residents who do not use automobiles.

Councilman Louise Brothers said skateboarders and bicyclists should have no problem walking their vehicles through the Main Street area. "It's not a playground," she said, adding, "I can't see the great sacrifice when they can have all the other sidewalks in town."

Tom Harvey, owner of the Wooden Wheels bicycle and skateboard shop off Main Street, said he supported the second proposal because it will be less restrictive.

Reapportionment bill

Legislature begins considering ethical issues

State Sen. Andrew G. Knox, R-Centerville, and a bipartisan group of Senate and House members have filed "Delaware Reapportionment Reform Act" legislation for introduction in the Senate. The Act would create an independent commission to handle redrawing of legislative districts after the 1990 and future censuses.

The bill creates a specific timetable, procedures and criteria to guide the commission in redrawing districts based on equality of population, compactness of districts, and preserving local boundaries wherever possible.

The intent is to minimize the political factors that impact reapportionment and to eliminate gerrymandering that restricts elec-

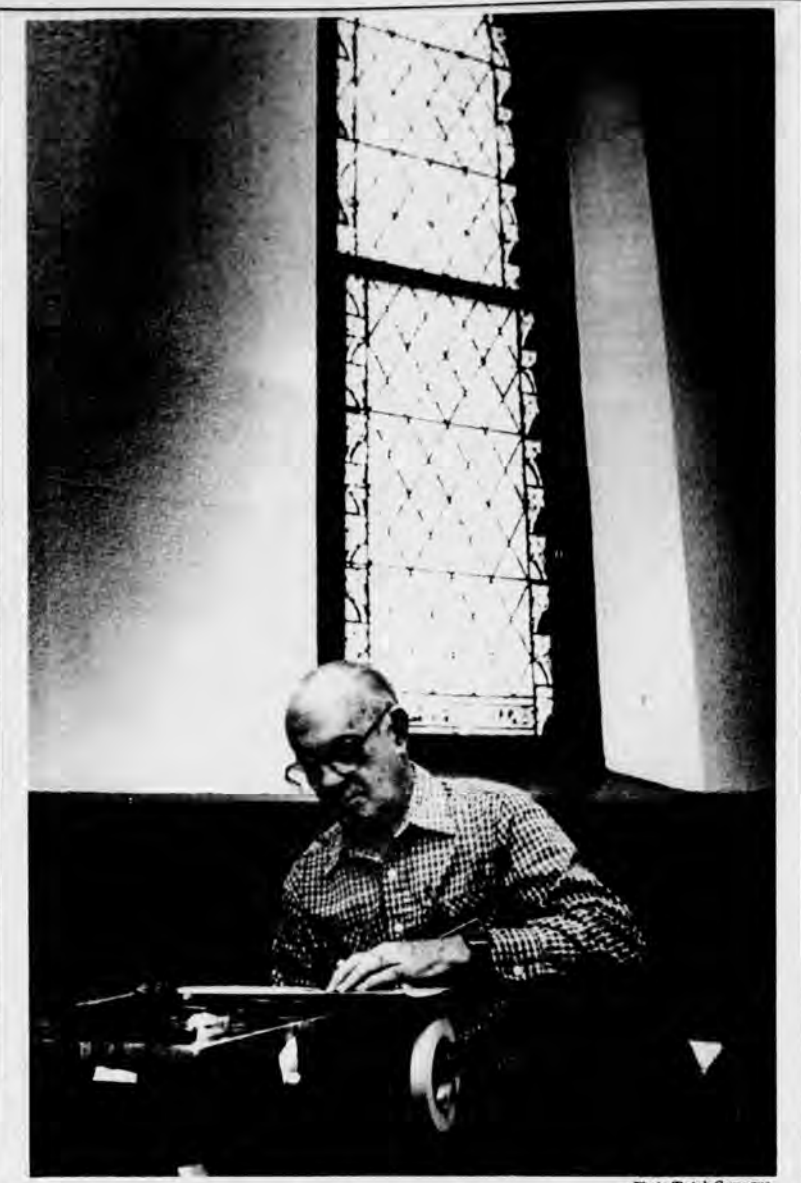
toral competition and undermines the rights of citizens to fair and effective representation.

Knox said, "The reapportionment process needs reform. We have lost the faith and trust of the public on this issue. Redistricting tends to involve other issues in its deal-making, and the public perceives reapportionment as epitomizing the worst of the political process."

He said there are already indications that the new General Assembly is inclined toward "opening up the way government works." The new Senate Rules adopted on Dec. 2 contain several provisions to make the consideration of legislation more orderly and to provide more opportunity for public input.

Those changes include:

- Regularly scheduled committee meetings
 - Requiring tabled roll calls and bills returned from the House to be placed on the agenda before being acted on again
 - Establishing permanent standing committees on Ethics, Sunset, and Children, Youth and Their Families.
- In addition, a comprehensive legislative ethics bill has been introduced with unanimous sponsorship in the Senate.
- "Getting the Delaware Reapportionment Reform Act in place in time for the 1990 census would be significant reform of a vital governmental process, and we will be working hard to gain its passage in the 134th General Assembly," Knox said.



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NEWS

Winter driving warning

Newark Police Chief Brierley offers tips for foul weather motoring

"It doesn't take a soothsayer to predict foul weather ahead," Newark Police Chief William Brierley warns Newark area motorists.

"Winter plays two deadly tricks on all drivers," he said. "The basic problems are reduced visibility and inadequate traction when winter storms come howling in. And the best way to combat winter's wiles is to heed an old saying, 'An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.'"

The chief cited pre-season precautions recommended by the International Association of Chiefs of Police and based upon test findings from the National Safety Council's Committee on Winter Driving Hazards.

Be sure your vehicle is in dependable working order. Have your engine tuned by a competent mechanic, including inspection of the electrical system, all belts and the emission control devices on late model cars to reduce stalls in traffic, provide dependable starting and lower fuel consumption.

Have the entire exhaust system checked for leaks. Carbon monoxide is deadly. And have the brakes inspected because poorly adjusted or grabbing brakes are a serious problem any time of year and can be especially hazardous on slippery pavements.

Have the cooling system check-

ed (including the coolant). Hoses should be checked for wear, and be sure your battery holds a good charge for sub-zero starts.

Be sure you can see and be seen. You need an effective heater-defroster system and windshield wipers that clear away heavy snow, slush and ice. If wiper blades streak, replace them immediately. Fill windshield washers with adequate antifreeze solution to prevent icing, Brierley said.

Be sure all lights — headlights, taillights, stop lights, turn signals and running lights — are working properly. Clean lenses often during inclement weather.

Scrape or clean all windows before you start. Don't settle for "peephole" driving. And brush away snow that can blow over windows from the hood or roof of your car.

Fog, sleet and snow cut visibility drastically. If you must drive, reduce speed and keep headlights on low beam. High beams cause glare, he said.

Snow piles alongside the road can obscure side roads. Look for tipoffs like tops of street signs, traffic signals, radio antennas.

Be sure you have traction to go and stop. Check tires for tread depth and uneven wear. Snow tires are helpful for pulling through snow, but offer no ad-

vantage over regular tires for stopping on icy pavements.

On ice, studded snow tires (where permitted) are recommended on all four wheels.

Tests show that reinforced tire chains provide the most traction advantage in deep snow or on glare ice. Have them available and use them. Some newer cars — down-sized and front wheel drive — require limited clearance chains (type PL chains). Your dealer or mechanic can recommend the proper type.

Be sure you're prepared for trouble. Your trunk should contain the following emergency gear:

- * A glass scraper — snow

brush.

- * Booster cables, flares or emergency lights.
- * A shovel. Sand, rock salt or traction mats.
- * A tow chain or strap. Extra windshield washer fluid.
- * Blankets and your tire chains.

Brierley said, "Being prepared as a winter driver is not leaving events to chance. It means anticipating the added problems of winter driving — restricted visibility, clogged or slick road surfaces, hazardous intersections, treacherous steering maneuvers and conflicts with other vehicle or pedestrians."

NEWS FILE

Car wash

South College Ave.

Newark City Council voted unanimously Monday to approve a special use permit for establishment of an automatic car wash at 1006 South College Ave.

The car wash, which is proposed by Lawrence J. Biasotto, will be located next to Roy Rogers on a tract which once housed a Sunoco gasoline station.

Biasotto told Council the car

wash will recycle its waste water. He said there will be a conveyor to move cars through the facility and added the business hopes to handle about 60,000 cars per year.

Councilman John Suchanec expressed concern about the possibility of cars stacking onto South College Avenue, something which is already a problem at the Texaco gasoline station across the road from the proposed car wash.

Biasotto said his business will not have nearly the volume of the Texaco station, and said the conveyor speed can be adjusted to speed the flow of cars through the car wash. The site will have stacking capacity for 10 vehicles.

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U.S. Rep. Thomas Carper of Delaware chats with Glasgow Lions Club President A. Walter Layman. Carper recently spoke to the Glasgow Lions about the achievements of the 99th Congress.

NEWS FILE

'Contragate'

Program, Dec. 10

A program entitled, "The La Penca Bombing: The Road to Contragate" will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10 in 204 Kirkbride Hall on the University of Delaware campus.

The program, sponsored by the Phoenix Community, will consist of a presentation by Tony Avirgan and Martha Honey. Avirgan and Honey are journalists who have investigated the network of private U.S. assistance to the contra-

Both are with the Christic Institute, plaintiffs in a suit in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida against the contra leaders and their U.S. supporters, whom they accuse of engineering the May 30, 1984, bombing against the life of Eden Pastora. Pastora is a maverick contra leader who has since retired from the war.

Eight people were killed in that attack and 28 were injured, including Avirgan.

Among the defendants in the suit are Adolfo Calero, leader of the FDN (Nicaraguan Democratic Force), the main contra organization; Gen. John Singlaub, president of the World Anti-Communist League; and John Hull, and Jorge Ochoa.

According to the Contragate Project of the Christic Institute, "Contragate is unfolding as rapidly as the war in Central America. It is now a race between the Administration's furious efforts to entangle the U.S. beyond the point of return and efforts by concerned Americans to convince Congress to rein in an outlaw Executive Branch."

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Map

Geological Survey

The Delaware Geological Survey at the University of Delaware has released a new hydrologic map entitled "Geohydrology of the Northern Coastal Area, Delaware."

Prepared by A. Scott Andres, hydrogeologist with the Survey, the map presents information on the water resources of part of the Delaware Atlantic Coast area. The map area extends from Primehook Beach on the north to Long Neck on the south, an area that includes part of the rapidly developing Inland Bays region.

The report is designed to provide information on the oc-

currence, availability, quantity and quality of ground water for planners, managers, consultants, regulators and others who are concerned with the development and management of the ground-water resources of the area.

The map shows the locations of high-yielding wells, selected geologic test borings and selected observation wells. A hydrogeologic cross-section shows the lateral and vertical distribution of individual aquifers in the map area. Also depicted on the map are precipitation, ground-water quality and surface water data, as well as two hydrographs showing water-level fluctuations.

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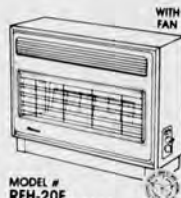
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"For this University," he said, "the selection of a president who is female would bring quite a distinct change in style which could be beneficial to the operation of the University."

Also, Trabant added, selection of a female would provide a direct benefit in bringing the U. of D. national recognition.

While the selection of a female would be a first for the University, Trabant said it would not be entirely out of keeping with historical tradition. "If it was once logical to select a male president because the majority of the students were male, it seems to be logical now to select a female president because the majority (56 percent) of students (56 percent) are female."

Asked if he believes there is any chance a female will be chosen, Trabant replied "I am confident they will give every qualified female who has applied or been suggested real consideration."

Whoever the successor, she — or he — will face a number of problems and find a number of opportunities, Trabant said.

Of the two key problems Trabant cited one is highly practical and the other is highly philosophical, and likely to be controversial.

The practical problem is, simply, "supplying the resources for appropriate and adequate space" for learning and research.

The philosophical problem strikes at the very essence of the modern university and must be raised "to make sure the university community makes a conscious decision to be a dynamic part of mainstream American society by the year 2000."

Throughout its early existence, the United States was steeped almost solely in the cultural traditions of the primarily-white Western world. And universities reflected that.

By 2000, said Trabant, America will no longer be dominated by that tradition. Rather, the nation will be one-third black, one-third Hispanic and one-third white. And universities will have to consider whether or not they will reflect that change.

A key opportunity for the new president, Trabant said, will be expanding the University's influence and programs to southern Delaware.

As a young man growing up in Southern California, Trabant could not have dreamed that he would one day become a college president.

In fact, he says, his fondest wish was to become a musician, like a great-grandfather who had been a composer and conductor.

"When I was in high school," Trabant said, "I thought I was going to be the world's greatest pianist." On enrolling at Occidental College, however, he found that many people had talent superior to his and decided to become a minister.

"Then," said Trabant, perhaps allaying the fears of many modern day students who switch majors often, "I decided that my real interest and the one real strength I had was in mathematics."

So, against the wishes of his father, an oil executive, Trabant became a mathematics major.

It was not until a stint in graduate school that he decided to embark on a career in higher education. The two things which attracted him, Trabant said, were "the thrill and satisfaction of teaching at the college level" and the academic lifestyle.

After earning a doctorate at Cal Tech, Trabant began teaching at Purdue and eventually became head of the Division of Engineering Science.

He moved on to Buffalo, where he was dean of the College of Engineering, then to Georgia Tech, where he was vice president for Academic Affairs.

In 1968, Trabant became president of the U. of D. It is a position he has enjoyed, believing that he has made a real contribution to the school's future.

He is proud of changes made in the treatment of women on campus, saying "there are more opportunities, and women are treated more like individual persons that they were in the past."

And he is proud of work to bring more minority students on to the U. of D. campus, a drive which is still very much alive.

"The University has changed," Trabant said. "It's a different place than it was 19 years ago. There has been developed more self-confidence within the University. All parts of the University community seem to be more sure of themselves, of their definition for being and what it's all about."

ROAD/from 1a

Ogletown Road-Chestnut Hill Road Intersection.

DelDOT's current capital improvement plan includes no such relief for Harmony Road, he said. Rather, the state is looking

at a number of improvements to its east-west highways, including Old Baltimore Pike.

While DelDOT is undertaking a comprehensive study of traffic in Metroform, Singer said quick action is needed. "There are severe traffic problems in this area. Let's get the show on the road now."

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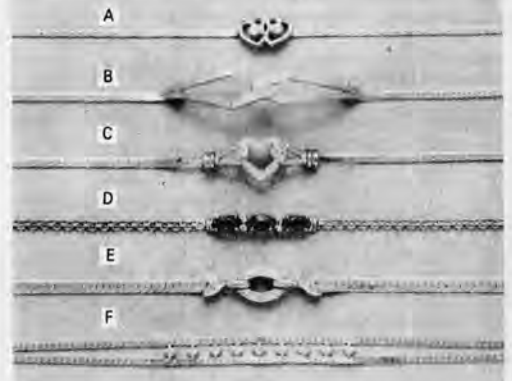


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SCHOOLS

Aetna contest winners named

Thirty Newark students were honored recently by Aetna Hose, Hook and Ladder Co. for their posters and essays judged winners in the company's annual fire safety contest.

More than 200 students, families, teachers and friends were on hand for the awards ceremony, held at Aetna Fire Station 8.

Winners were: Kindergarten — First place, Adam Claar, Wilmington Christian School; second, Amanda Howell, Cobbs Elementary School; third, Becky Evans, Wilmington Christian School.

First grade — First place, Timothy Nichols, Holy Angels School; second, Amanda Lynch, Holy Angels; third, Allison Meierding, Cobbs.

Second grade — First place, Richard Sovkey, Holy Angels; second, Donald Koons, Holy Angels; third, Kathy Muller, Downes Elementary School.

Third grade — First place, Lori Spada, Holy Angels; second,

Jessica Edler, Holy Angels; third, David Mulrooney, Holy Angels.

Fourth grade — First place, Kelly Stape, Holy Angels; second, Christy Teloh, Holy Angels; third, Megan Moore, Holy Angels.

Fifth grade — First place, Justine Talley, Holy Angels; second, Sarah Palermo, Holy Angels; third, Jessica Townsend, Holy Angels.

Sixth grade — First place, Kristen Kayatt, Holy Angels; second, Emily Caulter, Holy Angels; third, Rebecca Spitz, Holy Angels.

Seventh grade — First place, Anna White, Shue Middle School; second, Erica Suatos, Shue; third, Shannon Bowen, third.

Eighth grade — First place, Andrew Galbraith, Shue; second, Sarah Amaler, Shue; third, Jennifer Sternberg, Shue.

Special education — First place, Segaray Lane, Maclary Intensive Learning Center; second, Walter J. Wall, Maclary ILC; third, Eleanor M. Werkheiser, Maclary ILC.



Aetna fire officials and 1986 poster and essay contest winners.

SCHOOL FILE

Newark

Christmas music

The Newark High School bands will present a free Christmas concert at 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19 in the school auditorium.

Band Director Lloyd H. Ross said the concert will open with the award-winning 22-member Jazz Ensemble performing "Jingle Bells." Scott Frock, trumpet, will then be featured in "Send in the Clowns."

The 60-member Wind Ensemble, conducted by senior Jeff Gershman who will be dressed as Santa Claus, will perform a special march.

Finally, the 130-member Symphonic Band will perform "Fantasia Espanol," "Chorale Prelude: Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart" and a special arrangement of "Adeste Fidelis."

Also, carols will be performed by the Horn Quintet and the Saxophone Quartet.

Prior to the Christmas concert, the band will hold its awards banquet in the school cafeteria. Parents of seniors will be honored, seniors will receive service awards, juniors will receive letters and sophomores will receive certificates for participation.

Other awards will be presented by Ross and Assistant Marching Director Melanie Townsend. The banquet is being prepared by the Newark High Band Boosters.

Caravel

Fine arts night

Caravel Academy will highlight music and art work by its students during Fine Arts Night on Sunday, Dec. 14.

Performing will be the Bucaneer Band, under the direction of Jeanne Eskridge, the Caravel Academy Chorus, under the direction of Mark Allen, and the Bell Choir, directed by Mary Boyd.

Making their debut will be two new school musical groups, "Overdrive," the Caravel rock band, and the Caravel Middle School Chorus.

Also featured will be art work by students and teachers Charli Schilling and Jo Marie Twitchell.

EF

Student exchange

Educational Foundation for Foreign Study, a non-profit high school student exchange organization, is looking for enthusiastic people to work with its growing program in the Newark area.

The Foundation would like to make its program available to more schools in Newark and in surrounding towns by finding additional area representatives. Area representatives serve as local contacts, tailoring the program to their community.

Suzie Sims-Fletcher of Lititz, Pa. is one member of a nationwide team of over 1,000 volunteers who help welcome teenagers from 21 countries to American towns for an academic year. "I feel that this is one of the most rewarding positions I have ever held," she said.

"I've learned a lot about other cultures, people and my community through my involvement

with EF Foundation."

Sims-Fletcher has been selected by the Foundation to be a recruiting representative in Newark. She will be traveling throughout the state in December to interview people interested in becoming local EF area representatives.

"I've made lifelong friendships with students and families, and hope that more people in Delaware will soon be able to share in this opportunity," she said. For more information, call Sims-Fletcher collect at (717) 627-2848, or call the EF Foundation toll-free at 1-800-447-4273.

Allen

Caravel teacher

Mark Allen, vocal music teacher at Caravel Academy, has been invited membership in the Symphonic Chorus of the Delaware Performing Arts Society.

Allen will perform during the next concert of the Chorus on Monday, Dec. 15.

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UNIVERSITY

'The Messiah' sing-along set Sunday

A "Messiah" sing-along will take place at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14 in Room 118 of the University of Delaware's Amy E. duPont Music Building, located on the corner of Amstel Avenue and Orchard Road.

The free event is being provided as a community service by the University of Delaware's Department of Music, the University Women's Club, and the Newark Symphony Society.

Those planning to attend should bring their own score, although a limited number of scores will be available on loan from the University on the day of the concert. The sing-along will include choruses from all three parts of "The Messiah," and selected solos will be performed by an entire section,

as, for example, when all tenors sing "Comfort Ye."

Refreshments prepared by the Newark Symphony Society will be offered in the Music Building lobby on the main floor level afterwards.

Master of ceremonies for the "Messiah" sing-along is Dr. Larry W. Peterson, with pianists Ruth Palmer and Robert Hogenson, and the following conductors, who are all faculty at the University of Delaware: Glenda Maurice and Ruth Oatman, both on the U.D. vocal faculty; Andrew Cottle, director of choirs; Francis Orval, horn instructor and conductor of the Brass Choir; Robert Streckfuss, conductor of the U.D. Wind Ensemble; and associate professors Peter McCarthy and Larry Peterson.



Conductors for "The Messiah" sing include (from left) Francis Orval, Robert Streckfuss, Ruth Oatman and Larry Peterson.

UNIVERSITY FILE

Turcol

U.D. speaker

Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter Thomas A. Turcol, a 1978 University of Delaware graduate and former Newark Weekly Post intern, has been selected as the speaker for the University's Winter Commencement ceremonies, scheduled on Sunday, Jan. 4 in Clayton Hall on the north campus.

Two ceremonies are scheduled for those students who graduated in August or who will complete their requirements in December.

Commencement for graduates of the colleges of Agricultural Sciences and Arts and Science will begin at 10:30 a.m., with a reception preceding the ceremony at 9:30 a.m. Commencement for all other colleges will begin at 2 p.m., with a reception afterward at approximately 3:30 p.m.

University President, Dr. E. A. Trabant, and Mrs. Trabant will greet graduating students, their parents and friends at both receptions.

Since seating in Clayton Hall is limited, graduating students have been issued tickets for guests.

Turcol received the 1985 Pulitzer Prize for general reporting for a series of articles in the Norfolk Virginian Pilot and Ledger-Star about an allegedly corrupt city official in Chesapeake, Va.

Turcol is now a reporter in the Trenton Bureau of the Philadelphia Inquirer.

Exhibit

Metal works

University of Delaware students of Anne Graham will exhibit their metal works through Friday, Dec. 12 in Smith Hall at the corner of South College and Amstel avenues.

Metal works to be exhibited include silver, copper, anodized aluminum and anodized titanium. Some of the works are available for sale.

Graham is an associate professor of art at the University.

The exhibition is free and open to the public.

Allen

U.D. scholarship

The Allen family of Seaford has established a scholarship endowment in the University of Delaware College of Agricultural Sciences with a gift of \$100,000.

The Allen Family Scholarship Endowment was given in honor of C. Clarence and Nellie Allen, founders of Allen's Hatchery Inc. in Seaford, a family enterprise since 1919. Nellie Allen was a 1915 graduate of the Women's College, which later joined with Delaware

College to form the University of Delaware.

The endowment will provide annual support of \$2,500 to two deserving students, chosen by the University on the basis of academic merit and financial need. The scholarships, renewable for two years if recipients maintain good academic standing, will be applied toward tuition and books.

Preference will be given to students from Delaware and Maryland, as well as to children of employees and growers of the Allen Family businesses, who are interested in pursuing bac-

calaureate degrees in one of the economic, biological or engineering areas in the College of Agricultural Sciences.

Students also may be considered for renewal of the two-year scholarships, making it possible to receive an Allen Family Scholarship for four years of study.

For more information about the Allen Family Scholarship Endowment, including application procedures, contact Dr. R. Dean Shippy, assistant dean of the College of Agricultural Sciences, 132 Townsend Hall, University of Delaware, Newark, DE 19717-1303.

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UNIVERSITY

Computer 'Home Network' offered

A new University of Delaware service for home computer users will enable them to gain access to thousands of hours of educational software at a low cost.

The University's Office of Instructional Technology is opening the Home Network, which will give families the opportunity to use the PLATO educational network, an interactive computer system used by University students for more than 10 years to study 192 academic subjects.

Offerings on Home Network range from agriculture, biology, chemistry and computer science to foreign languages, nursing and psychology.

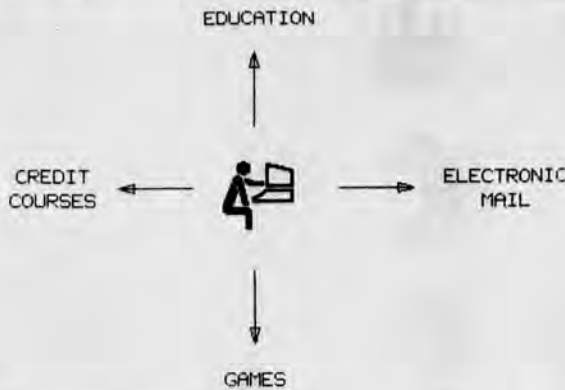
For a fraction of the cost of buying individual microcomputer software, this service enables users to study astronomy one day, French the next and geography the day after that.

In addition, the PLATO system offers many educational games for young people. The software menu for children lists more than 200 basic math and reading lessons, as well as dozens of lessons aimed at increasing skills in composition, grammar and word power.

Another feature of Home Network is the ability to communicate over electronic bulletin boards. Local bulletin boards are available on a wide range of subjects, including movies, sports, books, parenting, recipes, religion, "Star Trek," swapper and open forum.

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Cost of Home Network is less than similar services that offer access to a PLATO network. Users are charged an hourly rate and pay only for the part of the hour that the service is used.

The hourly rate depends on the time of day and ranges from \$1 an hour for low-use times to \$4.50 an hour for peak times. In addition, a one-time subscription fee of \$35 includes software for accessing Home Network, a user's manual and a University seminar on Home Network and the PLATO educational system.

To join Home Network, users must have a microcomputer compatible with the PLATO network

and a 1200 baud 212A modem. Compatible microcomputers include IBM PC, PC/XT and PC/AT, with a color graphics adapter; most IBM workalikes, such as the Tandy 1200, the Tandy 2000 and the Leading Edge; the Atari 400, 600, 800, 1200XL and 800XL; the Macintosh; and the Amiga.

For information about Home Network, contact Rae Stabosz, the University's Office of Instructional Technology, telephone 451-8161.

UNIVERSITY FILE

Reception

New alumni

The University of Delaware's newest alumni will be honored at a reception from 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12, in the Ewing Room of the University's Perkins Student Center on Academy Street.

Sponsored by the University's Office of Alumni Relations, the reception is designed to welcome to the ranks of the University of Delaware alumni those seniors and graduate students who will be receiving their degrees at Commencement exercises on Jan. 4.

Those attending will have an opportunity to meet the alumni relations staff and discuss opportunities for alumni involvement.

Refreshments will be served, and the first 200 guests will receive University clip folder.

Of the University's 65,000 living alumni, 45 percent were graduated in the last 10 years.

Art auction

Tau Kappa Epsilon

The University of Delaware's Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity is joining forces with the nationally advertised Fine Arts Gallery of Ardmore, Pa., to present a benefit art show and auction at 6 p.m. Saturday, December 13, at Carpenter Sports Building.

Featuring original oils, watercolors, sculptures, enamels, etchings, lithographs, and other graphics, the auction will begin at 7 p.m. following a one-hour preview of the art.

Funds raised by this event will be used to help cover the costs of building a fraternity house. The price for admission is \$2, which includes complimentary h'or d'ouverses served throughout the auction.

Tickets may be ordered by mail by sending a check and a self-addressed envelope to Tau Kappa Epsilon Art Show, 43 W. Delaware Avenue., Newark, DE 19711, or call Steve Tilley at 738-1866 or 366-9099.

Skating

'Ice Patterns'

The University of Delaware annual fall ice show, "Ice Patterns," will be presented at 7 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 17 at the University's Ice Arena office. The number of tickets is limited, and they will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis. Tickets must be purchased in person; no tickets will be mailed or reserved.

"Ice Patterns" will include group numbers featuring students from community classes, the college's physical education classes and the precision skating teams. Solists featured will include college students, community class students and competitive single skaters and pair and dance teams.

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Photographer's book highlights Delaware sites

"Delaware: A Photographic Journey," a collection of 60 color photographs by Michael Biggs of Bear, has been published by the Jared Co. of Wilmington.

The book was published as a companion piece to the 1987 Delaware Bicentennial Calendar, which also features work by Biggs.

Priced at \$29.95, the book contains 144 pages of images of the Delaware seashore, countryside, parklands, wildlife reserves and natural wonderlands.

Photographs of such historic sites as Odessa, Brandywine Mills, Dover and Lewes are put into perspective by a narrative written by Dr. Barbara Benson of the Delaware Historical Society.

Biggs, a graduate of Brandywine High School and the University of Delaware, has been a photographer since 1972 and has built a reputation for his depiction of Delaware landscapes and nature scenes.

He has exhibited his work in juried shows and galleries for more than 10 years throughout the Middle Atlantic region. As a free lance photographer, his work has appeared on the covers of such publications as Dining in Delaware, Quiet Resorts and Ocean City magazine.

Biggs has won a number of awards, including first prize for

color photography and creative color photography from the Rehoboth Art League in 1981.

When approached by the Jared Co. to produce a book celebrating Delaware and its role in the Constitutional bicentennial, Biggs said he jumped at the chance.

"I have always felt that our state offers some unique photographic settings," he said, "so I was delighted to get a chance to share my vision."

Biggs and the Jared Co. worked with the Delaware Heritage Commission. Benson was brought into the project to write the text and award-winning graphic artist Bernard Pearce was asked to design the book.

Biggs will be autographing copies of the book through the pre-holiday season. Local sessions are as follows:

- 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11, Delaware Technical and Community College, Stanton campus library.
- 1-3 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12, Newark Newsstand, Main Street.
- 7-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12, McMahon's Books, Christiana Mall. Also on hand will be Cy and Pat Liberman, authors of the book "The Mystique of Tall Ships."
- 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 18, Book & Card Center, Prices's Corner.
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The meeting will be held 6-8 p.m. Cpl. Geeseman of the Newark Police will present a slide show entitled "Not by Strangers Only." The program is free.

Bazaar

Adult Day Care

The Adult Day Care Center will hold a Christmas bazaar today (Wednesday, Dec. 10) in Room 101 of Newark Hall on the University of Delaware campus.

The bazaar will be open 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. there will be crafts, baked goods, white elephant and plants.

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Girls Club fund drive

Wolf to chair campaign to build Newark center

Dale E. Wolf, group vice president for agricultural products of the DuPont Company, has been named general chairman of the Girls Clubs of Delaware capital campaign, it was announced Tuesday by Alan D. Craig, Girls Clubs of Delaware president.

A United Way Agency, the Girls Club of Delaware will launch its campaign beginning in April 1987. The campaign goal is \$1.8 million. The funds will be used to construct a new child care and youth service facility on a four-acre site on the University of Delaware campus in Newark. The facility will serve the growing child population in New Castle County.

It will house after-school programs for up to 300 children per day and pre-school care for approximately 150 children ages six weeks through kindergarten. Wolf joined DuPont in 1950 as a research biologist and has held his present position since 1979.

A member of Governor Castle's Commission on Work and the Family, he is a former chairman of the National Agricultural Chemicals Association and a past president of an international agricultural organization (Groupement International des Associations Nationales de Fabricants de Produits Agrochimiques).

He is a member of the executive committee and a director of the Farm Foundation.

A member of the board of

overseers of Widener University, Wolf served as general chairman of United Way of Delaware's 1978 campaign and is currently a United Way board member.

The Girls Clubs of Delaware serves more than 5,000 youth in New Castle County, providing pre-school and after-school services for children designed to meet the special needs of working parents. Girls Clubs presently operates three facilities, two in Wilmington and one in Claymont.



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Trees

Brookside Lions

The Brookside Lions have begun their 31st annual Christmas tree sale.

Trees are being sold at the Brookside Lions Building on Chestnut Hill Road, across from the Chestnut Hill Shopping Center. Hours are 5-9 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Profits from the sale of the trees will be used in community projects. Those include purchase of hospital equipment for loan to people in need, support of the Lions Eye Bank of the Delaware Valley at Wills Eye Hospital and purchase of glasses for needy children and adults.

The Brookside Lions also support boys baseball teams, a Wildcat League girls softball team, a Babe Ruth baseball team, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and the Kirk Middle School Quest Program on alcohol and drug abuse.

Senior Center

Weekly schedule

The Newark Senior Center, located at 300 E. Main St., has scheduled the following activities:

- Friday, Dec. 12**
9 a.m., bowling, Blue Hen Lanes.
9:30 a.m., shopping.
10 a.m., Newark Council of Senior Citizens.
10 a.m., Signing Group.
1 p.m., ping pong.
- Monday, Dec. 15**
10 a.m., crocheting instruction.
10 a.m., knitting instruction.
11 a.m., exercise
12:30 p.m., Monday Movie Matinee.
12:45 p.m., Rotary dance party with the Banjo Dusters.
- Tuesday, Dec. 16**
9 a.m., bowling, Blue Hen Lanes.
10 a.m., Bible Study
10 a.m., enjoyment bridge.
12:30 p.m., Tuesday After Lunch. Caravel Academy Christmas skit.
12:30 p.m., 500.
- Wednesday, Dec. 17**
9 a.m., chess.
10 a.m., art class.
10 a.m., insurance consultant.
10 a.m., needlepoint.
12:30 p.m., pinocle.
12:45 p.m., bingo.
- Thursday, Dec. 18**
9 a.m., ceramics.
10 a.m., Choral Group.
10 a.m., discussion.
10 a.m., legal aid.
10:45 a.m., Lily Langtry trip.
1:30 p.m., dancing
1:30 p.m., Scrabble
- Friday, Dec. 19**
9 a.m., bowling, Blue Hen Lanes.
9:30 a.m., shopping,
10 a.m., Signing Group.
12:30 p.m., gift wrapping gathering.
1 p.m., ping pong.



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Activities

Parks & Recreation

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Registration

Registration for the Department's winter-spring programs will begin Monday, Jan. 5 for city residents and Wednesday, Jan. 7 for non-residents. Information on the programs will be contained in the city newsletter, which will be mailed to city residents the last week in December. Non-residents interested in obtaining a copy of the newsletter may pick one up in the Department's office after Jan. 5.

Activities

Little lady dress up tea party — A tea party for little ladies and their mothers will be held 1-2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10 at George Wilson Community Center on New London Road. Tea with milk and lemon cookies will be served. The cost is \$2 for city residents and \$4 for non-residents.

A Christmas to remember — A family program featuring Pam Pipes and Puppets, holiday fashions, karate demonstrations and teen lip synch performances will be held 7:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12 at George Wilson Community Center on New London Road. The event will also feature recitals by city dance classes, as well as home baked cookies. Admission, payable at the door, is \$2 for adults, \$1 for youths 2-17 and free for children under 2.

Trips

Walt Disney's Snow White on Ice at the Spectrum in Philadelphia on Tuesday, Dec. 30.

A bus will leave Newark at 6 p.m. and will return at 10 p.m. The cost is \$12.50 for city residents and \$14.50 for non-residents.

NBA basketball, Philadelphia 76ers vs. Atlanta Hawks, Spectrum, Wednesday, Jan. 14. Bus will leave the Newark Municipal Building, 220 Elkton Rd. at 5:45 p.m. and will return at 11:30 p.m. Cost is \$11.50 for city residents and \$13.50 for non-residents.

Story hour

Newark Free Library

Newark Free Library will hold the last preschool story hour of 1986 on Tuesday, Dec. 16.

Featured in the program for children ages 3½ through 5, will be the filmstrips "Christmas in Noisy Village," "Mousekin's Christmas Tree" and "Morris's Disappearing Bag."

Story hour is held three times, at 10:30 a.m., 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

For details, call 731-7550 or visit Newark Free Library at 750 Library Ave.

YMCA

Indoor soccer

The Western Branch YMCA, 2600 Kirkwood Highway, is accepting registration for its 1987 winter youth indoor soccer league.

The league is for boys and girls ages 8-13. It is divided into two age divisions — 8-10 year olds and 11-13 year olds.

League games will begin Feb. 14 and will run through March. All games will be played Saturday evenings.

Registration will be accepted at the Western Branch YMCA until Wednesday, Dec. 31.



Cheers turned to yawns for some as the University of Delaware football team was handily defeated by Arkansas State in NCAA Division I-AA playoffs Saturday at Delaware Stadium.

Photo/Butch Comegys

A-bomb

'Lost Generation'

Akemi Arakawa, a young woman from Japan, will introduce Japanese culture and show a short

film at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11 in the basement of the Trinity Episcopal Church, 1106 Adams St., Wilmington.

In the film, "the Lost Generation," A-bomb survivors remember the destruction of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Arakawa talked with A-bomb survivors in Japan as part of her preparation for nine months in Delaware with the Never Again Campaign. The Never Again Campaign recruits and trains young Japanese volunteers to speak to community groups, school classes

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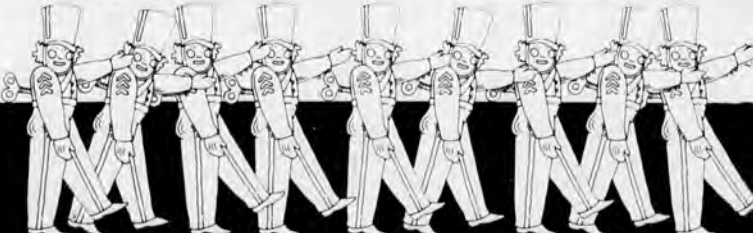
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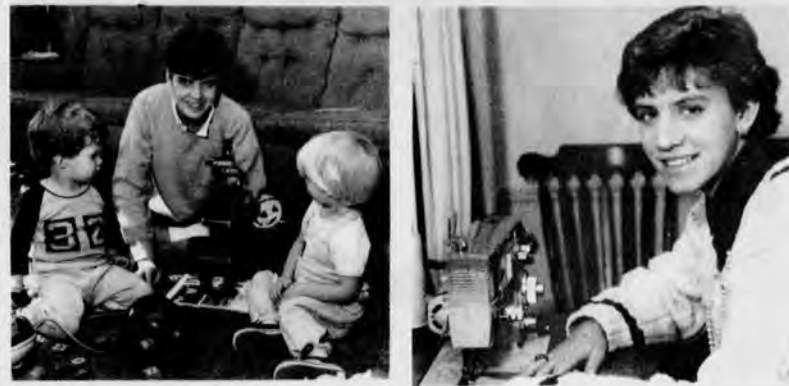
The New Castle Jaycee chapter has announced an ambitious fundraising drive, "Heartbeats for Life," to benefit the Debbie Jacobsen Heart and Lung transplant fund.

Jaycee President Mike Bennett and a committee are organizing a state-wide relay run covering 111.6 miles.

Jim Russell, president of the Delaware State Jaycees, will begin the run at 6 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 20 at Delmar in Sussex County. The finish will take place approximately 10 p.m. at the Pennsylvania border on U.S. 13.

The goal of "Heartbeats for Life" is to raise \$100,000 through telephone donations toward a heart and lung transplant operation. Tax deductible pledges to the trust fund may be phoned to 652-4665 anytime from 9 a.m. to midnight on Saturday, Dec. 20.

Jacobsen, a 22-year-old New Castle resident, has been diagnosed as having primary pulmonary hypertension, a rare disease for which the only cure is a heart and lung transplant. The funds raised will be used to assist Jacobsen with her medically-related bills, and if possible, to assist others in similar situations.



Brenda Farabaugh (left), honored for her community and child care projects, and Michele Morneau, cited for her sewing and modeling skills, are Newarkers attending the National 4-H Congress this week in Chicago. Both won top state honors to make the trip.

Clinic

Stop smoking

The Delaware Lung Association will sponsor a Freedom from Smoking clinic Jan. 12-Feb. 16 at the Limestone Medical Center, 1941 Limestone Rd., in Pike Creek.

Clinics provide the information and support to stop smoking. The Limestone Medical Center sessions will be held 7-9 p.m. Jan. 12, 19, 26 and 28, and Feb. 2, 9 and 16.

The cost is \$35 per person. For details, call the Delaware Lung Association at 655-7258.

Wonders

Eskimo games

The Delaware Museum of Natural History's Natural Wonder Presentation for Sunday, Dec. 21 will be a demonstration of games played by Inuit Eskimos.

Game playing was important in preparing Inuit Eskimos for life in a harsh environment. They provided the children the opportunity to master survival skills and adults to practice and sharpen theirs in an atmosphere of cooperation and friendly competition.

The presentation will be led by Paul Phillips, education assistant at the Museum, and will take place at 2 p.m. in the Museum's Discovery Room.

Natural Wonder presentations take place the first and third Sunday of each month throughout the year. Programs cover all areas of natural history. They may be demonstrations, slide lectures, workshops, special tours, or films. These presentations, which are geared to the entire family's enjoyment, are free with regular Museum admission and require no reservation.

The Delaware Museum of Natural History is located on Del. 52, five miles northwest of Wilmington. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$2.50 for adults, and \$1.75 for senior citizens, students, and children six and over. Children under six are admitted free of charge.

For more information, call 658-9111.

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Wildflower calendar

Whatever the season, Newarkers can enjoy wildflowers found throughout Delaware, Pennsylvania, and Maryland thanks to Landenberg, Pa., botanical artist Joyce Stark.

Stark has created a full-color, 1987 wildflower calendar for the Delaware Nature Education Society as a way of raising funds for habitat preservation and education programs. Available at the Ashland Nature Center in Hockessin for \$7.50, the calendar features detailed watercolors of such species as butterfly weed, hepatica, trout lily, and partridge berry.

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The WJBR-FM Dream Home Give-Away will come to an end Saturday, Dec. 13 when one of 99 key holders opens the door to a \$100,000 Lemley Builders Inc. home in Beecher's Lot of Salem Church Road.

Key holders will begin trying their luck at 12:30 p.m. The one who opens the door will win not only the home but its contents as well.

The event is sponsored by Lit Dryden & Associates real estate agents and Tristate Ford and Dodge-Chrysler-Plymouth.

Merger

Accounting firms

Effective Dec. 1, the certified public accounting firms of Ballard, Thompson and Doane and Jefferson and Urian have merged.

The name of the new firm is Ballard, Jefferson, Moffitt and Urian. The firm will continue to operate its offices in Newark, Dover, Georgetown and Ocean View. Both Georgetown locations will remain open until the completion of a new facility in the summer of 1987.

Officers of the firm are Gerald P. Ballard, Truitt W. Jefferson, John W. Moffitt, David R. Urian, Keith L. Thompson, David C. Doane and Charles H. Sterner Jr.

As a result of the merger, the firm will provide expanded expertise in the ever changing tax and financial environment. Special emphasis will be in the areas of financial planning, computer con-

sultation, estate and tax planning. Ballard, Jefferson, Moffitt and Urian will be the only CPA firm with offices in all three counties and one of the largest practices in Delaware. The managing stockholder is John W. Moffitt.

Meyer

Christiana Hilton

Judy Meyer has been named as reservation manager at the soon-to-be-completed Christiana Hilton Inn, according to Richard Encarnacao, general manager.

As reservation manager, Meyer will be responsible for maintaining the daily operations of the reservations department.

Prior to joining the Christiana Hilton Inn, Meyer served as front office manager at the Hilton at Walt Disney World. She received an associate of science degree with her major in travel and tourism management and has completed three Hilton training programs.

The Christiana Hilton Inn is located at 100 Continental Drive in Newark.

WNRK

Holiday toys

WNRK-AM radio will be collecting new toys this holiday season for foster children in New Castle County and throughout Delaware.

WNRK is working in conjunction with the Children's Bureau of Delaware, Catholic Social Services of Delaware and the State Office of Child Protective Services.

Toys can be dropped off at the offices of WNRK, on Walther Road off Old Baltimore Pike, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday until Dec. 19.



Bill Bane and Joe Horwitz, owners of Box Outlet at 1249 Centerville Rd., Prices Corner, are joined by Delaware State Chamber of Commerce officials at recent grand opening. The Box Outlet carries paper and party goods.



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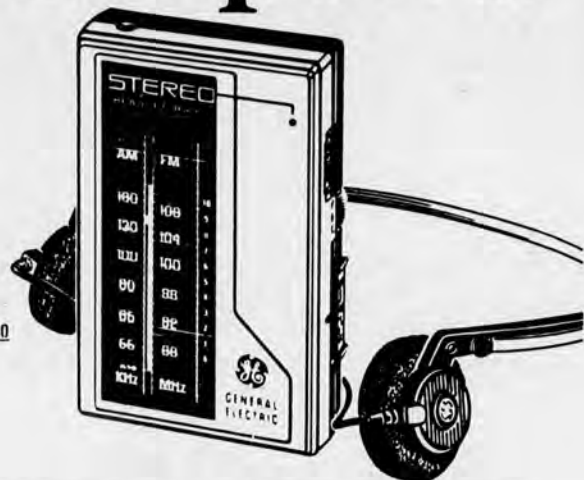
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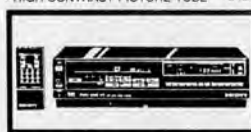
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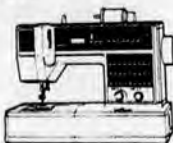
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CHURCH

Angel Tree help

by Nancy Turner

In Delaware and in hundreds of American cities this Christmas, forgotten victims of crime will receive gifts from people they have never met.

These forgotten victims, the children of men and women who are in prison, will benefit through Project Angel Tree, a program sponsored by local churches and by Prison Fellowship Ministries, an international Christian outreach to prisoners, ex-prisoners and their families.

The Angel Tree projects are in progress at numerous churches throughout the state. In each of these parishes, a Christmas tree has been set up and decorated with paper "angels" that bear the names and gift wishes of children whose parents are incarcerated. Private organizations are also joining in the effort with gift trees of their own.

Individuals select angels, purchase the listed gifts and return them to Angel Tree volunteers. Gifts will be distributed to the children in time for Christmas gift opening. Angel Trees have also been set up in many other locations where private organizations are cooperating. More than 500 children will be cheered through these area programs this year.

The Angel Tree program began



A clown entertains children during the 1985 Project Angel Tree party.

In 1982 with two projects. In 1986, it is estimated that more than 200 projects throughout the country, in shopping malls, banks, churches, and other public places, will take place.

Recently, the local program received an additional 80 names of hopeful children, an outpouring that had not previously been anticipated. It will be difficult to accommodate the increase because of the limited amount of time between now and Christmas so Prison Fellowship volunteers are sending out a request for additional help and support.

"Although toys are usually on the wish list," said Fay Whittle

one of the area coordinators, "Many children ask for clothes, like warm winter coats or boots. We truly need more volunteers this year. We need volunteer help in locating some of these children because many have had their telephones disconnected or have moved. It takes time to find them."

"Volunteers can also help with shopping. There are many other jobs that can be done by volunteers in addition to picking an angel."

Persons interested in volunteering with the program may contact Fay Whittle at 368-2813 for more information.

CHURCH FILE

Peace

Midwinter vigil

The New Ark United Church of Christ and the Newark Peace Fellowship will hold a midwinter peace vigil at 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14 in front of the Academy Building on Main Street.

The vigil will be held to share with the community a commitment to the cause of peace, according to the Rev. Peter Wells, pastor of New Ark United Church of Christ.

Candles will be lit as a gesture symbolic "of the light which peacemakers bring to even the darkest of situations," Wells said.

The public is invited to join the vigil. Following, participants are welcome to visit the church, located at 215 E. Delaware Ave., for refreshments and fellowship.

Brunch

2nd Christian Women

The Newark Second Christian Women's Club will hold an old-fashioned Christmas brunch at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 15 in Clayton Hall on the University of Delaware's north campus.

Caroline R. Miller of the Green Oasis will demonstrate holiday uses for live greenery. Ron Cohen of Lancaster, PA. will be the guest speaker and music will be provided by Dr. Wes Clayton and Margaret Jenkins.

Cost of the brunch is \$3.25 per person. Reservations and cancellations must be made by 10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 11. Call 738-8873 or 368-8607. Nursery will be provided at 357 Paper Mill Road.

Aerobics

White Clay Church

Body & Soul, a ministry in Christian fitness, will be offered at White Clay Creek Presbyterian Church beginning in January.

The program features aerobics set to Christian music.

A 10-week winter session featuring three classes each week will meet 6-7 p.m. Tuesdays beginning Jan. 8, 9-10-11:45 a.m. Thursdays beginning Jan. 8 and 9-10 a.m. Saturdays beginning Jan. 10. Babysitting will be available during the Thursday morning class.

For more information, call Karen Macaleer at 366-8573.

Body & Soul is a non-profit, non-denominational group of Christians founded by Roy and Jeanne Blocher of Potomac Chapel in McLean, Va. Participants work out to music by such artists as Amy Grant, Sandi Patti, The Imperials and The Maranatha Praise Singers.

Bazaar

Temple Beth El

A Chanukah bazaar will be held at Temple Beth El, 301 Possum Park Rd., beginning at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 14.

There will be food, games and a large selection of gifts and Chanukah items. Craftspeople interested in selling their wares may rent a table for \$7.

There will also be raffles for a teddy bear and a Swatch watch.

For details, call the Temple Beth El office at 366-8330 between 9 a.m. and noon.

Sunshine

Concert Dec. 14

Sunshine Ministries will present a Christmas concert featuring Cynthia Linton at 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14 at White Clay Creek Presbyterian Church, 15 Polly Drummond Hill Rd.

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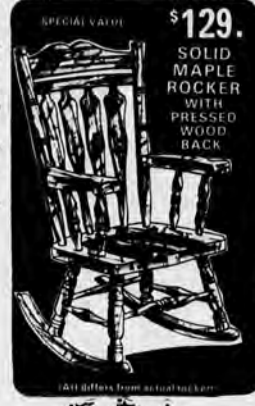
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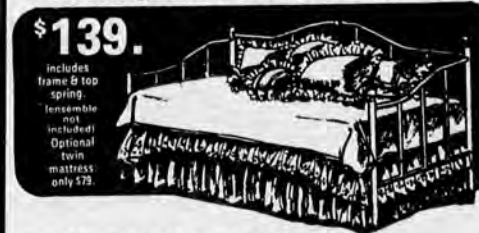


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I have had some phone calls from readers of this column and my WNRK and WXDR listeners asking about some ideas for good Christmas music for themselves or as gifts. I thought that there might be some others in the same boat, so today let's turn our attention to that topic.

Always at the top of any list of the Christmas season is Handel's "The Messiah." There are many great recordings but, excuse a bit of prejudice, my favorite features Newark's own Kathy Ciesinski, mezzo, in a key role. You have read about Kathy many times here and heard about her on my broadcasts, well, here is your chance to hear her in "The Messiah."

This is a digital recording on LP and CD. Richard Westenbrug directs and other stars include

THE ARTS

by Phil Toman



Judith Blegen, John Aier and John Cheek. The photo which appears with my column is a recent picture of Kathy, taken shortly after she completed work on "The Messiah."

James Galway has a new recording called simply, "Christmas Carol." On this LP and CD Mr. Galway plays the flute and conducts the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra and the BBC Singers. The music ranges from Bach to the modern. It's on RCA Red Seal.

Speaking of Bach, another Christmas favorite of mine

just out on a Direct Metal Master LP from Erato. It is his "Weihnachts Oratorium" on Christmas Oratorio, BWV 248. The recording features Ensemble Vocal de Lausanne and Orchestre de Chambre de Lausanne directed by Michel Corboz. The Erato release features Barbara Schlick, soprano; Carolyn Watkinson, alto; Kurt Equiluz, tenor; Michel Broadard, bass and Fabienne Viredaz, soprano in echo. It is extremely well done.

For the opera lover on your Christmas list, there is always the very special performance of Engelbert Humperdinck's "Hansel and Gretel" with Anna Moffo, Helen Donath, Christa Ludwig, Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau, Charlotte Berthold, Arleen Auger and Luiza Popp. The Boys Choir of Tolz and the Bavarian Radio Orchestra are under the baton of Kurt Eichhorn.

There is so much beautiful music beautifully performed on the two record set, but my favorite is the Sandman sequence at the end of Act II. It is on RCA Red Seal records. I have never seen it on DC, but you could check with your record dealer.

This next one is just for fun! It is called "What if Mozart Wrote 'Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas?'" It features the Hampton String Quartet. It is well performed. It responds to the question posed in the album title by playing many popular Christmas carols in the style of their having been written in the 18th century. It is a great LP or CD for a Christmas party or for that hard to please someone special. The treatment of "Frosty The Snowman" is a must.

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Young Musicians

The ninth annual Competition for Young Musicians was held by the Newark Symphony Orchestra on Sunday, Nov. 9 at the Loudis Recital Hall of the Amy E. duPont Music Building on the University of Delaware campus.

Winner of the college division was Carmelina D'Arro, pianist, of Wilmington who studies with David Brown at the University of Delaware. D'Arro began her studies at the Wilmington Music School with Miss Margaret Littell. She has been soloist with the Lancaster Symphony, the Delaware Repertory Orchestra and with the Delaware Symphony Orchestra. In 1984-85 she was winner of the High School Piano Competition sponsored by the Delaware State Music Teachers Association, Inc.

Susan Clelland, pianist and a student of Benjamin Whitten at the Wilmington Music School, was winner of the high school division. A resident of St. Davids, PA, Clelland was winner of the Pennsylvania Music Teachers' Competition for High School Pianists in 1985-86 and is the 1986-87 winner for the DSMTA.

She has appeared as soloist with the Delaware Symphony Orchestra and was honor recitalist

at the National Music Camp at Interlochen, MI on two occasions in the summer of 1986.

The two winners will play with the Newark Symphony Orchestra at its concert on March 16, 1987, in Mitchell Hall on the University of Delaware campus.

Auditions

Chapel Street Players

The Chapel Street Players have announced additional tryouts for their second production of the 1986-87 season, Larry Shue's comedy "The Foreigner," an off-Broadway smash that demonstrates what can happen when a group of devious characters must deal with a stranger who they think knows no English.

These special readings will be held in the Player's Theatre, 27 N. Chapel St., Newark, at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 11. The production will run for three weekends starting Feb. 13.

According to director Craig A. Hall, 3 men ranging in age from 18 to 55 are still to be cast. The auditions are open to all. Those wishing additional information should contact the director at 366-1688.

A special family Christmas concert featuring a Delaware premiere, a Valentine's Day program for music lovers and a salute to musical Americana make up the 1986-87 choral concert season of The Delaware Singers, Delaware's professional chorus.

Opening the season will be "Good Tidings We Bring," a Christmas concert to be presented at 8 p.m., Monday, Dec. 22, at the Delaware Theatre Company, 200 Water St. Wilmington. Designed to capture the holiday spirit, this program will feature Reverberations, the Westminster Presbyterian Church handbell choir and the children of The Delaware Singers.

The Delaware Singers will present "Laud to the Nativity" by Ottorino Respighi and the rarely performed "Sir Christmas, A Modern Setting of a 15th Century Christmas Carol" by Thomas Yeakele, scored for mixed chorus, baritone solo and solo woodwind, with harp accompaniment.

The concert also will include performance of contemporary

and traditional carols, arranged by Anders Ohrwall and Sven Lekberg; and the premiere of "Pavane in Blue" by Ted Huggens, featuring the internationally acclaimed French horn soloist and recording artist Francis Orval.

Audience participation in a Christmas carol-sing will close the program.

The "Love Notes" concert, set for 8 p.m., Saturday, February 14, 1987, at the Grace United Methodist Church, 903 West St., Wilmington, will feature Paul Hill as guest director. Maestro Hill is director of the Paul Hill Chorale and the Washington Singers in Washington, D.C.

The February program will include the finale of Act II of Strauss' "Die Fledermaus," Brahms' "Liebeslieder Waltzes," Pinkman's "Wedding Cantata" and selected Elizabethan madrigals.

The season finale and spring gala of The Delaware Singers will be presented twice, on Friday, May 1, and Saturday, May 2, 1987, both at 8 p.m., at the Delaware

Theater Company.

This program will include American songs — psalms through spirituals, American classics by Samuel Barber, William Duckworth and William Schuman and selections from the American stage by Bernstein, Sondheim and others.

Season tickets are available for \$25, with an individual concert admission of \$10. Students and senior citizens will be admitted for \$8 per concert. To make reservations or for more information, contact The Delaware Singers at 738-6526 or 652-2977.

The Delaware Singers also will present "Choral Samplers," readings of various choral masterworks, in June, 1987, at times and a location to be announced.

The ensemble also is preparing two concerts for an overseas tour in July, 1987, to be performed at the Polychoral Festival held annually at St. Marks Cathedral in Venice, with other performances in Milan, Florence and Salzburg.

The Delaware Singers, formally

organized in 1984 as Delaware's professional chorus, achieved membership just two years later in the Assn. of Professional Vocal Ensembles, a national professional organization dedicated to insuring a quality musical experience for audience members and performers.

The ensemble includes 40 singers, 12 of whom form a core group of active professional singers.

Peter J. McCarthy, artistic director, is a certified choir master of the American Guild of Organists. He serves as conductor of the Delaware Choral Society in Dover and as music director at St. Joseph's on the Brandywine Catholic Church in Greenville. He is an associate professor of music at the University of Delaware.

The Delaware Singers is funded in part through a grant from the Delaware State Arts Council, a division of the Delaware Historical Society, and the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.

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Music

***Singer-songwriter Tom Paxton** will perform at 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11 at O'Friel's Irish Pub, 706 Delaware Ave., Wilmington. The concert is sponsored by Folk Survivors and O'Friel's. Tickets are \$8.50, and are available at O'Friel's or by calling 475-2599.

***The First State Symphonic Band**, under the direction of Lloyd H. Ross, will present a Christmas concert at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13 at Faith Baptist Church on Limestone Road. The concert will feature "Overture to The Messiah" by Handel, "Sleepers, Awake!" by Bach, "Sleigh Ride" by Anderson and "Russian Christmas Music" by Alfred Reed. Also, "Gesu Bambino" by Pietro Yon, Bartok's "Four Pieces for Bank," John Williams' "The Cowboys" and "A Christmas Festival." The concert is free. Donations will be accepted.

***The Newark Symphony Orchestra** will present the second concert of its 1986-87 series at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14 in Mitchell Hall on the University of Delaware campus. The program will include Mendelssohn's "Hebrides Overture," Tomasi's "Horn Concerto" featuring Francis Orval of the University faculty, and Mussorgsky's "Pictures at an Exhibition." Tickets will be available at the door. Cost is \$5 for adults and \$3.50 for students and senior citizens.

***The Delaware Festival Chorus and Chamber Choir** of the Performing Arts Society will perform "A Holiday Festival of Music" at 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 15 in the Gold Ballroom of the Hotel duPont in Wilmington. Tickets cost \$14, \$12 for students and senior citizens. Call 654-6990.

***Award winning pianist Natalie Hinderas** will join the Delaware Symphony Orchestra for the third concert in its classical series Dec. 18-20 in the Grand Opera House, Wilmington. All concerts begin at 8 p.m. The concerts' all Russian programs will feature works by Ljadov, Prokofiev and Gliere. Tickets cost from \$14-\$22. Call 656-7374.

Theatre

"Romeo and Juliet," Shakespeare's classic tragedy, will be staged by the National Shakespeare Company at 8:15 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12 in Mitchell Hall on the University of Delaware campus. Tickets are \$12 for the general public, \$8 for U. of D. faculty and staff and senior citizens, and \$5 for students. Contact the Mitchell Hall box office.

"Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo, an ensemble which combines dance and comedy, will perform Saturday, Dec. 27 at the Grand Opera House in Wilmington. Tickets range in price from \$13 to \$17. Call 652-5577.

"My Fair Lady" is being staged at the Candlelight Dinner Theatre, Arden, through Dec. 20. Tickets for the show and buffet are \$16 for Thursdays, \$17 for Fridays and Sundays and \$18.50 for Saturdays. Call 475-2313.

"Old King Cole," a children's musical revue, will be performed at 2 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14 in the auditorium of Wilmington High School by the Candlelight Dinner Theatre Childrens Group. Tickets cost \$4 for children and \$5 for adults. Call 655-5288 from 6-9 p.m. Monday through Thursday or 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Tickets will also be available at the door. Proceeds benefit the Wilmington Jaycees.

"Christmas Mysteries," two short plays with music, will be presented Dec. 4-20 by the Delaware Theatre Company at its new center on 200 Water St., Wilmington. The plays are "The Second Shepherd's Play," an ancient English-language drama, and

"Why the Lord Came to Sand Mountain" by Romulus Linney. Tickets cost \$12-\$17. Call 594-1100.

Art exhibitions

***Newark artist Leslie Lindsay** will show her work from Dec. 8 through Jan. 3 at the Newark Free Library, 750 Library Ave. The exhibit will be open during regular library hours, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

***Gallery 20, 20 Orchard Rd.,** will feature three different viewpoints in clay in two exhibitions. The first, "Shadows," featuring work by Judy Jacobl, will run Dec. 5-11. The second will feature "Sanctuary" by Douglas Stapleton and "Citizen Art" by Janet Cleveland, and will run Dec. 12-18. An opening reception for Stapleton and Cleveland will be held 6-8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12. Gallery 20 hours are 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. It is also open by appointment. Call 731-4682.

"Worth a Thousand Words," an exhibition of work by six northern Delaware photographers, will run through Dec. 21 at the Center for the Creative Arts, Del. 82, Yorklyn. The exhibition features the work of Marji Gravett, Phil Young, Mac duPont, Ingo Schukraft, Debbie Mitchell and Jack Burke. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 2-4 p.m. Sunday. Call 239-2434.

***The Gallery at Newark, 2313 Ogleton Rd.,** will present an exhibition of oil and pastel paintings by Russell Lee Finley through Dec. 14. The gallery is located next to Finley's Art Shoppe across from Avon. Gallery hours are noon to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

***Neon sculpture** by Carol Billman and Will Norman will illuminate the Delaware State Arts Council's Gallery I in the Carvel State Building, 9th and French streets, Wilmington, through the month of December.

THE GRAPEVINE by Ed Miller



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OPINION

POSTSCRIPT

by Neil Thomas



You've got to watch these modern four year olds. They ask too many good questions. Why, I went through my entire elementary, high school and college career without so much as raising my hand with a good question more than four times. That's one every four years, which is probably a charitable estimate.

Along comes Noah, who is constantly peppering me with questions for which I have to dig down deep for an answer. Not just those "why is the sky blue?" questions that we as kids used to think were so deep, but "where is God?" and "what is a soul?" and "where was I before I was born?" kinds of questions.

And this, of all seasons, is when those probing questions are most difficult for parents. After all, we are keeping from the kids that most secret of all secrets. You know, the one about You Know Who, the fellow in the red suit who supposedly slips down the chimney and straight into your gas furnace then sticks lots of presents under the tree.

Besides the secret about Santa Claus himself are all those corollary secrets about his helpers and allied animals which can supposedly fly without wings. Although I suspect Noah is

having some vague doubts about Santa Claus, his real problem this year is with Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer.

First off, he's never seen any animal anywhere — be it dog or cat, door or cow — with anything even remotely resembling a red schnoz. Much less one that lights up like a 100-watt bulb.

He has a moving, screeching robot that has red flashing eyes but he knows that real live animals don't have slots for battery packs. (Although sometimes we think his 1 1/4-year-old brother Adam is powered by Duracell.)

Secondly, Noah can't understand why, if there is a Rudolph, there is no mention of him in Clement C. Moore's "The Night Before Christmas."

As sure as I sit here, the poem says nothing about Rudolph. Oh, it mentions (can you name them all?) Dasher and Dancer and Prancer and Vixen, and Comet and Cupid and Donner and Blitzen, but they're all fairly tame reindeer as compared to Rudolph.

"Rudolph," Noah told me one night as I read him the story for the fifth time that evening, "must be pretend."

The statement threw me, and I sputtered something just to probe into how much he knew. "He

must be pretend," he said, "because Santa didn't call out his name."

Finally, my brain having stirred from a long story's nap, I remembered that TV show about Rudolph. "Oh, sure," I said, matter of factly, "of course he's not mentioned in here. Rudolph came later, after these other reindeer. You probably never would have heard of him except one night there was a big snowstorm and Santa needed a special light to drive his sleigh without crashing into anything. Rudolph's nose is kind of like the lights on airplanes, so everything went okay."

"Oh," he said, sounding unconvinced.

That question parried, at least

for the session, I continued on to the end of the story. Noah, who seems to have some vague idea of how many children there are in this world and must never get any sleep, but fortunately he let it drop.

The next day, however, he was at it again, this time asking his mother, "How come Santa's reindeer can fly when none of the rest of the reindeer can?"

"Well," she said, "Santa probably says some magic words that cast a spell and make them fly."

"No, mommy," he was quick to respond, "Only God could do that."

Modern four year olds... their answers aren't bad either.

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Traffic deaths must be stopped

by Roger A. Martin

The adverse reaction in the form of uproar, fear and outrage generated by the Dec. 1 escape of four dangerous inmates from the Delaware Correctional Center is certainly understandable.

What I can't understand is the base attitude of the public at the almost daily deaths on our highways. With Christmas just around the corner, our highway fatality total is on track toward breaking the record for deaths in a single year.

As chairman of the Senate Highways and Transportation Committee, I am bombarded with facts and statistics that show speeding as a primary cause of highway fatalities, injuries and property damage.

Despite all efforts to date to get the message across that "Speed Kills," however, Delaware motorists seem to view speed enforcement as some sort of violation of their Constitutional rights.

I'm not convinced that Delaware is doing all it can or should to reduce highway deaths because the Administration is not doing all it can or should to curb speeding on our highways.

Last week I wrote of these thoughts to Gov. Michael N. Castle, urging him to include in his next year's budget sufficient funds to increase the numbers of the Delaware State Police and to use his influence on the Department of Public Safety to bring new emphasis on speeding as a cause of highway deaths.

reductions and balanced budgets, we should not lose sight of the fact that we need additional State Police if we are ever going to make more significant advances against highway fatalities, drunk driving, and speed-related accidents," I wrote the Governor.

... Your Administration must encourage new and more effective speed enforcement techniques," I said, reminding him of a recent pilot test in New Jersey involving the assignment of troopers in marked cars to cruise the state's major highway at or slightly above the speed limit for lengthy stretches of the roads. Very few cars, it was found, will pass a police car travelling at or near the speed limit.

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Saving the presidency

by Joseph R. Biden

The one thing that all of us should agree upon about the current crisis concerning secret arms sales to Iran and diversion of some of the proceeds to the Nicaraguan contras is that it offers no legitimate advantage to anyone.

This is a time for all Americans, for all of us in both political parties, to join together in an effort to save the presiden-

cy of Ronald Reagan. America can not tolerate another failed presidency.

For my part, that does not mean that I have suddenly resolved all of my many disagreements with President Reagan, especially when it comes to foreign policy, civil rights and the independence of the federal judiciary. My differences with the President in those areas have been principled, and we will very likely continue to differ on them.

Nor does it mean that I intend to turn my back on the President

in the areas where we have found substantial agreement, especially on things like tax reform and reform of the federal criminal code to exert stronger control over organized crime and illegal drugs. We have made significant progress in those areas and we need to make more.

On the contrary, it is precisely because of those agreements and disagreements — because of that principled political dialog which is the heart and soul of our system of government — that we must strive now to maintain the effectiveness of our single most important political office.

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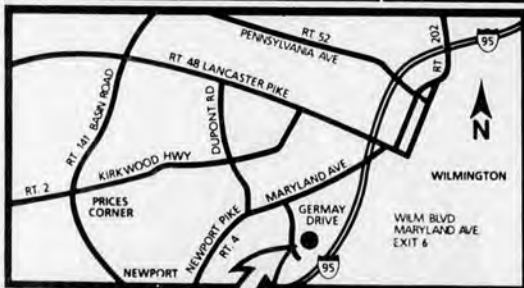
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