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Luminary night tradition unites Windy Hills

By JOSH SHANNON

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Take a drive through any neighborhood, and you'll surely find a few houses decked out with a Christmas light display that would make even Clark Griswold jealous.

But the residents of Windy Hills take the Christmas cheer to the next level with their annual luminary night tradition, when the streets of the neighborhood are lined with nearly 4,500 white paper bags illuminated with votive candles.

"This is one of the biggest nights of the year for the neighborhood," Stuart Richardson, vice president of the civic association, said last Friday night as he drove the streets of Windy Hills judging the annual decorating contest. "It's a neighborhood feel. Everybody comes out and greets their neighbors."

Indeed, the sidewalks were crowded as residents strolled around checking out the decorations. In one driveway, neighbors gathered around a fire pit, socializing and making s'mores. At other houses, the residents set up tables offering candy canes, cookies and other goodies. Santa rode around on a fire engine greeting kids. The Turner family even set up a projector in their Pinedale Road yard and screened the Bing Crosby holiday classic "White Christmas."

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Significant stories from the past year included an increase in activism following the election of Donald Trump, the election of Councilmen Chris Hamilton and Jerry Clifton, continued debate on parking in Newark, several new projects on the University of Delaware's STAR Campus and discussion about the city's proposed purchase of the Rodney dorm site.

The top stories of 2017

As we compiled our annual Year in Review issue, we couldn't help but feel a bit of déjà vu.

Many of the issues that dominated the year's headlines – such as debates over parking, discussion of the Rodney dorm site and controversies over development projects – were also hot topics in past years. As the city and its residents work through these complicated

and divisive issues, expect those conversations to continue well into 2018.

However, the year did bring some change to Newark, as the April elections shifted the balance of power on city council, and several top city staffers stepped down. And, as anyone who has driven down South College Avenue recently knows, the southern

Newark skyline looks dramatically different with the addition of the 10-story STAR Tower, which will open next summer.

Our Year in Review coverage can be found on pages 6 through 11, with our list of 2017's biggest stories beginning on page 8.

Check back next week as we forecast the stories to watch in 2018.

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Free parking: Sunday and Monday, downtown Newark. City-run parking meters and parking lots will offer free parking all day.

Hangover Helper 5K: Monday, 10 a.m., starts near the corner of Amstel Avenue and Orchard Road. Participants are encouraged to wear pajamas or a onesie for the 5K run/walk. An after-party is planned at The Deer Park Tavern. Registration \$25 at www.fusionraceti-ming.com.

Native American Super Moon Ceremony: Monday, 3:30 to 6:30 p.m., at Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark, 420 Willa Road. Jan. 1 marks the super moon, when the moon is closest to the earth for 2018. The church will mark the occasion with a Native American moon ceremony. Cornbread, succotash and bean soup will be provided, along with beverages. Free.

Planning commission meeting: Tuesday, 7 p.m., at city hall, 220 S. Main St. The planning commission will consider a plan to build 11 townhouse-style apartments at 30 Benny St. and 155 S. Chapel St. It will also discuss a proposal to require developers to submit floor plans during the subdivision process.

First Day hikes: Monday, 1 p.m., at White Clay Creek State Park. Park staff invites community members to start off 2018 with a hike outdoors. Members of the Friends of White Clay Creek State Park will lead four separate hikes, ranging from 1.4 miles to 4 miles. The hikes begin at Carpenter Recreation Area, the Judge Morris Estate and the nature center parking lot. For more information, visit www.destateparks.com/firstday or call (302) 368-6560. Free.

First Friday Ride: Friday, Jan. 5, 5:30 p.m., at Newark Shopping Center. A casual community bike ride sponsored by Bike Newark will begin at the shopping center and cruise around Newark's neighborhood streets to see holiday lights and decorations. Participants may park for free at the shopping center.

For more events, visit newarkpostonline.com/calendar. To submit listings, go online or email news@newarkpostonline.com. Information runs in the print edition as space is available.



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Kim Ryan, Bob Knappenberger and Lucy Knappenberger celebrate the new year at the Hangover Helper 5K last year.

Second man charged in July shooting at Suburban Plaza

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After five months of investigation, the Newark Police Department has arrested a second man suspected in the July shooting and robbery of an Applebee's employee in Suburban Plaza.

NPD's SWAT team arrested James A. Brooks, 43, on Dec. 20 during a raid on his home in the 100 block of Carriage Way near New Castle, according to Lt. Fred Nelson, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department.

Brooks was charged with

first-degree robbery, first-degree assault, possession of a firearm by a person prohibited and other related charges. He was committed to the Howard Young Correctional Institution in lieu of \$165,000 cash bond.

The robbery happened at 2:17 a.m. July 29 as the 38-year-old employee was walking to his car after closing the restaurant.

Two masked men, one of whom was armed with a handgun, approached the employee and attempted to force him back into the restaurant, police said.

When the victim refused, one of the robbers shot him in the leg before stealing undisclosed items from the victim.

The employee was taken to Christiana Hospital, where he was treated and released.

Nelson said detectives identified Brooks as a suspect by using surveillance footage, witness interviews and unspecified evidence recovered during the investigation.

Brooks' alleged accomplice, Thomas Ellerbe, 40, of Wilmington, was arrested two days after the robbery and remains incarcerated awaiting trial.



BROOKS

Police: Man skipped out on TGI Fridays bill, urinated on floor, drove away drunk

By JOSH SHANNON

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Police have arrested a man they say caused a scene at a Newark restaurant before driving away while drunk.

The incident happened just before 8 p.m. Dec. 22 at the TGI Fridays on South College Avenue, according to Lt. Fred Nelson, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department.

Employees called police and reported that the man racked up a \$96.05 bar tab

and then urinated on the floor of the women's bathroom before leaving without paying.

After employees provided a description of the man's car, officers pulled him over on Elkton Road and discovered he was intoxicated, Nelson said. He was arrested without incident.

The suspect, Seth A. Baugher, 37, of Rising Sun, Md., was charged with DUI, theft of services, disorderly conduct and public intoxication. He was released on \$1,500 unsecured bond.

On the Web: www.newarkpostonline.com

Shoplifting sting nets illegal drugs and an unlicensed gun

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Newark Police Department officers conducting a shoplifting sting at the College Square Kmart recovered illegal drugs and an unlicensed gun last week.

As part of a holiday shoplifting enforcement initiative, plainclothes officers from the department's Special Operations Unit have been positioned in stores around the city in an attempt to identify and arrest people who are stealing.

Just after 11 p.m. Dec. 21, officers noticed a shopper who appeared to have a gun.

"One of the officers observed a subject, later identified as Jonathan Audiffred, making movements that indicated to officers that Audiffred was possibly in possession of

a handgun that was concealed on his hip," NPD spokesman Lt. Fred Nelson said. "Upon closer inspection of Audiffred, an officer observed what he believed to be the imprint of a portion of a handgun under Audiffred's clothing."

The officers stopped him outside of the store and recovered a Taurus PT111 Pro 9mm handgun concealed in his waistband, Nelson said. The gun was loaded and had a bullet in the chamber.

Audiffred, a 25-year-old Newark resident who does not have a permit to carry the gun, was charged with carrying a concealed deadly weapon and released



AUDIFFRED

on \$5,000 unsecured bond.

The next day, around 9:30 p.m., officers staking out the Kmart saw a man and woman walk out with a \$450 television they had not paid for, Nelson said.

Kylie McVaugh and Brandon Sexton, both 36-year-old residents of Newark, were issued summonses for shoplifting and conspiracy. McVaugh was also charged with drug possession after officers discovered she was carrying Suboxone and Alprazolam (commonly known as Xanax).



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Adaptive bike donation provides 'a chance to be a kid'

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Whenever 5-year-old Meredith Beavers' parents take her to a store that sells bicycles, she runs over to check out the bikes, wishing she could take one home.

However, Meredith has cerebral palsy, making it too difficult to ride a bike like other kids, her mother, Lisa, said.

Until, that is, she received an early Christmas present from Preston's March for Energy, a local nonprofit that gives custom-made adaptive bicycles to kids with disabilities. Meredith beamed last Friday night as she received the bike during a surprise presentation at Fusion Fitness, which donated the money for the bike.

"We'll never be able to get her off of it now," Lisa said as Meredith pedaled around the gym in Market East Plaza.

Meredith was one of two kids who received a bike last week, with a third, yet-to-be-selected child to receive one later.

Fusion members raised \$5,500 with a three-week fitness competition, owner Nic DeCaire said. A total of 89 people formed four teams and competed in a variety of challenges, which culminated in a scavenger hunt through downtown Newark.

"We really saw people get into it," DeCaire said. "It's



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

Fusion Fitness members who helped raise money for two adaptive bikes pose with recipients Mason Read and Meredith Beavers.

bringing people together and keeping them active during the holidays."

DeCaire and his gym members are no strangers to donating bikes to deserving kids, having raised enough money to buy 20 bikes over the past three years. The most recent effort, though, was particularly moving be-

cause the presentation happened just three days before Christmas.

"What better gift than kids getting a bike for the holidays?" DeCaire said.

Deb Buenaga, whose teenage son, Preston, has mitochondrial disease, started Preston's March for Energy in 2011 after receiving dona-

tions to buy Preston his own adaptive bike. She said the bike gave Preston a sense of independence and freedom and he enjoyed it so much he refused to get off.

She and her husband quickly decided they needed to pay it forward. Over the last six years, Preston's March for Energy has given

away more than 250 adaptive bikes to children across the country.

The other recipient last week was 7-year-old Mason Read, who has schizencephaly, which gives him low muscle tone and makes it hard for him to control his movements. The adaptive bike includes straps to keep

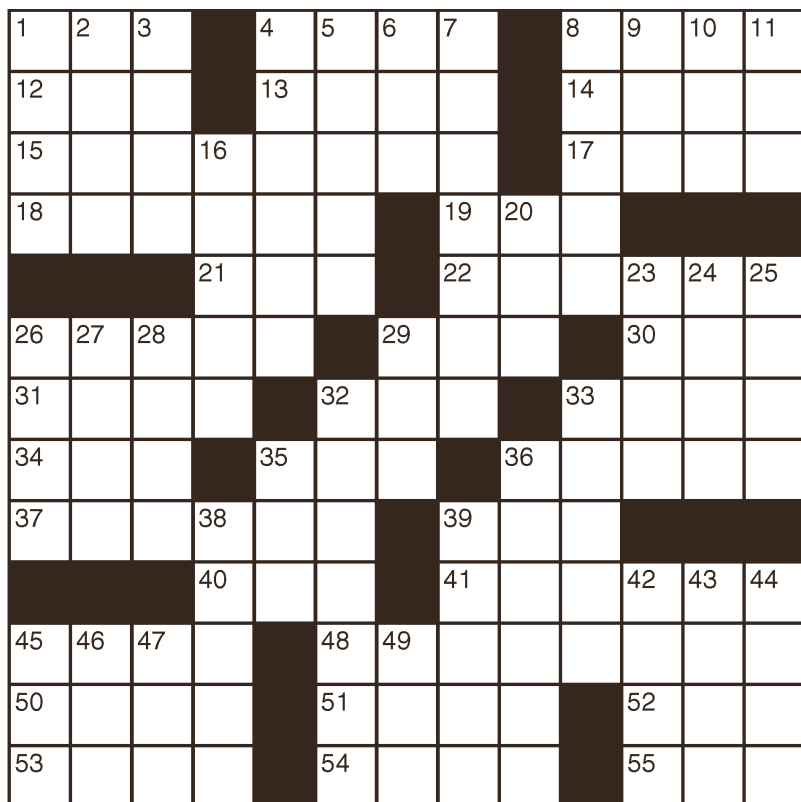
him upright and a push bar that his parents can use to help him get around on the bike.

"This gives him a new freedom," dad, T.J. Read, said. "This is the best present. It's going to be hard to top this."

"It gives him a chance to be a kid," mom Lindsey Seivert added.

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Bill Steward III (second from left) and his son, Bill IV (second from right), decorate their house every year for Windy Hills' luminary night.

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The event evokes feelings of Christmases past, simpler times when neighbors all knew each other.

"It's like 'Leave it to Beaver,' I'm not even kidding," said Kim Turner, who serves as president of the civic association.

The tradition dates back at least 30 years, according to JoAnne Shaw, who has lived in Windy Hills for more than five decades. Her late husband, Charlie, headed the civic association for many years and helped grow luminary night into what it is today.

"It's been quite a wonderful tradition over the years," Shaw said. "You get a feeling of togetherness and camaraderie. It's really quite beautiful."

Planning for luminary night starts shortly after Thanksgiving, Richardson said. The civic association buys the bags and

candles, and volunteers count them out before street captains distribute the decorations. Each of the 375 houses in Windy Hills gets 10 luminaries, with corner properties receiving more.

Ryan Claeys, whose mother lives on North Dillwyn Road, said they have been decorating the house for about five years. At the end of the driveway, they set up a table offering cookies and candy canes.

"It started innocently with the luminaries and has grown and grown," Claeys said. "It's been cool to see the evolution of it."

Perhaps the brightest house in the neighborhood is on Winnwood Drive, where Bill Steward III and his son, Bill IV, filled what seemed like every inch of their yard with lights and other decorations. The lights are set to music, and a sign directs passersby to tune to their radios to 87.9 FM. Last Friday, visitors walked through a canopy

of lights covering the sidewalk, and a working train set in the middle of the yard drew the attention of many.

The father-and-son duo begin planning the display each summer and start building it right after Thanksgiving.

"We live for this all year," the son said.

He paused to watch a family standing under the canopy of lights, with two young kids captivated by the display.

"Right there is why we do it," he said.

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Candles line the streets of Windy Hills during the neighborhood's annual luminary night.

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Peace on earth, goodwill to all

Mayor's Corner

Polly Sierer



At the beginning of my tenure as your mayor, I set a goal: know all parts of the community and, on a face-to-face basis, engage people in conversation about their lives. My hope is that with greater familiarity, I will know better which policies, goals and vision are helpful to pursue.

I try to see the city through the eyes of many diverse points of view. It has proven

to be a worthwhile venture. Faith-based organizations are a natural venue to find residents in groups. I have attended, and continue to attend, many services and events at these organizations.

Sometimes at services I experience feeling like "the outsider." I don't necessarily know when to stand, when to sit or what words to say. Also, the gesture of greeting is not automatic. Shake hands? Nod and smile hello? Or give a big hug?

It was a useful lesson. I have been received with enormous generosity, and I continue to learn what many people feel is important and

how they manage sometimes difficult lives. There are many resources available in our community and through my contacts, I am able to move some people closer to those resources.

Each year in Newark, during the early part of the holiday season, there is an interfaith Thanksgiving service. My husband and I have attended several times over the past few years. This year was inspiring and beautiful. People of Islamic, Orthodox, Baha'i, Sikh, Jewish, Christian, Quakers and Unitarian faiths all participated in the service.

There was a core overlapping message. We need to

treat each other with love and respect, help those in need and learn to know each other on a more personal basis. We need to reduce the feeling of being an "outsider," so that communication can flow and residents are motivated to actively engage in our city.

A friend shared with me a slogan he read recently: "We only protect what we understand, and when we understand and love it, we ardently protect it." Kindness, compassion and courage are so important in our community, especially in the face of opposition and adversity.

I have been provided

with more than I could ever have imagined. I have surrounded myself with people who always look out for me, particularly with kind words and actions. They keep me focused and make my spirits soar. It is important to feel safe and protected from those things that seem to haunt others. We must continue with our abilities and senses to show others every day how much they matter. Showing gratitude and acts of kindness are what makes Newark so special.

I leave you this month with A New Year's Prayer: Make your year a happy one! Not by shielding yourself from all sorrows and pain, but by

strengthening you to bear it, as it comes. Not by making your path easy, but by making you sturdy to travel any path. Not by taking hardships from you, but by taking fear from your heart. Not by granting you unbroken sunshine, but by keeping your face bright, even in the shadows. Not by making your life always pleasant, but by making you anxious to be there to help people with their causes.

Peace and goodwill to you and your families.

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Armitage to continue as Newark's lobbyist

By JOSH SHANNON

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City council decided earlier this month to renew the city's lobbying contract with Rick Armitage, who has represented Newark in Dover since 2015.

Armitage was one of three people in the running for the job, along with Mary Kate McLaughlin from the law firm Drinker Biddle & Reath and former New Castle County Executive Dennis Green-

house. However, McLaughlin withdrew her name from consideration before the decision was made.

A former police officer, Armitage previously spent 26 years as the University of Delaware's director of government relations. His only client besides Newark is the National



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Rifle Association.

Councilwoman Jen Wallace said she heard some concerns from constituents about Armitage's connection to the NRA, but added she feels he handles the situation well.

"If council were to choose Mr. Greenhouse, there's another special interest group that's on the other side of that issue," Wallace said, referring to Greenhouse's lobbying work on behalf of the Delaware Coalition Against Gun Violence as well as a gun control

advocacy group founded by former Congresswoman Gabby Giffords.

Councilman Jerry Clifton recused himself due to a conflict of interest, and council initially deadlocked. Wallace, Councilman Chris Hamilton and Councilman Mark Morehead supported Armitage, while Mayor Polly Sierer, Councilman Stu Markham and Councilman Luke Chapman supported Greenhouse.

However, faced with the possibil-

ity of the city being without a lobbyist when the general assembly reconvenes next month, Markham ultimately changed his vote, giving the contract to Armitage, who will earn \$54,000 per year for three years.

Among the issues Armitage will be tasked with is convincing legislators to expand the Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) program to include Newark and to allow the city to impose a hotel accommodation tax.

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Newark's top feel-good stories in 2017

By JOSH SHANNON

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Often, it's the negative stories that grab headlines – crimes, political drama, problems that need solutions.

However, every year, there are also stories that inspire us, touch our hearts or just simply make us smile.

Here's a look at some of Newark's lighter moments that stood out in 2017.

1. City worker saves passed-out student

A last-minute decision to alter his normal route led long-time city of Newark public works employee John Bello to save a University of Delaware student who had passed out along Beverly Road.

With temperatures in the low 20s, Bello spotted the woman around 4:30 a.m. March 4. He got out of his truck and tried to wake her, but she didn't open her eyes. He covered her with his coat and called police.

The woman, later identified as a 19-year-old UD student who had been separated from her friends for several hours, was taken to the hospital with non-life-threatening injuries, but paramedics said that if Bello hadn't found her when he did, she could have died due to the cold temperatures and her level of intoxication.

2. Community comes together to honor fallen trooper

After Delaware State Police Cpl. Stephen J. Ballard was fatally shot in the parking lot of a Wawa in Bear on April 26, the community came together to honor him in a number of ways, including several "Back the Blue" events, in which people lined up to have a blue line affixed to their car's back window.

Perhaps the most touching tribute, though, came from students at Keene Elementary School, which is located next to DSP's Troop 2 in Glasgow.

More than 600 students walked to the station and, one-by-one, laid a flower at a memorial that had been erected in Ballard's honor.

"It's important to teach our kids to give back to the community, and the police do a lot in our community," said Christine McCarl, a paraprofessional who helped organize the tribute.

3. Solar eclipse captivates Newarkers

People all over the country stopped what they were doing for a few minutes Aug. 21 in order to view the solar eclipse, a rare celestial event that won't be visible here again until 2024.

In Newark, more than 1,000 people headed to White Clay



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Anne Biddle and Eileen Keely watch the solar eclipse at White Clay Creek State Park on Aug. 21.

Creek State Park to watch the eclipse. Others gathered at the Newark Reservoir and the University of Delaware Green or simply watched from their backyards.

As she watched from the state park, Anne Biddle noted that in a divisive time, excitement about the eclipse united the country.

"It's brought a lot of people together," she said.

"There's only one sun," her friend, Paul Keely, added. "Everybody's into the same thing right now."

4. Historic flag returned to British Navy during Newark ceremony

In a ceremony four decades in the making, former Newark Police Chief Bill Brierley returned a historic flag to the British people in September.

A British police officer had brought the flag with him to a law enforcement convention held in Newark in 1974. However, the officer and his wife stocked up on American products, like Duncan Hines cake mix, Hershey bars and Levi jeans, and left the flag here to make room in their suitcase for the new items.

A few years later, the flag, which had once flown over the British ship HMS Sheffield, took on added significance when the ship was sunk during the Falklands War.

Over the years, Brierley tried to find a way to return the flag and eventually got in touch with the British embassy in Washington, D.C., which sent a representative to Newark to accept the flag.

5. Community helps keep Newark High band marching along

After Newark High School's band director retired unexpectedly in July – shortly before the annual band camp was set to begin – it appeared that the Yellowjacket band was in limbo.

But, thanks to the determination of drum majors Cassie O'Quinn and Carolanne Tims and assistance from members of the community, the band was ready to take the field when school began.

The drum majors called all the freshman who had signed up and invited them to a practice so they could learn the basics of marching. By the time the members got together for another practice, word of the band's story had spread on social media, and the offers of help came rolling in.

Derek Dillman, a University of Delaware marching band member, volunteered to write the show. Ken Boulden, the county's clerk of the peace and a retired marching band



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Public works employee John Bello poses on Beverly Road, where he saved a University of Delaware student March 4 after he found her lying face down in the grass.

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Maj. Justin Bellman, of the U.S. Marines, passes a British flag to Commander Richard McHugh, of the Royal Navy, during a ceremony at Pencader Heritage Museum in September.

instructor, volunteered as drill director, bringing along his friend Ed Hockersmith, the former bandleader of the Delaware Army National Guard's 287th Army Band, to help teach the music. Heidi Sarver, UD's band director, stopped by practice, and countless other alumni and members of the NHS music boosters pitched in.

6. NPD celebrates anniversary with community engagement events

As the Newark Police Department marked its 150th anniversary this year, it celebrated with a number of community events.

In May, it kicked off another round of its popular trading card project, in which local kids were invited to come to a variety of events to meet police officers and collect baseball-style cards featuring each officer and NPD's specialized units. Kids who collected all 100 were entered to win a trip to Disney World.

Later that month, NPD opened a community policing center in a vacant storefront on Main Street. It closed after a few months due to a lack of funds, but while it was open, it hosted several events, including a water ice giveaway and Phillie Phanatic visit.

In June, the department hosted an anniversary celebration. Many retired officers attended, and community members were invited to tour the police station.

Throughout the year, NPD held several other events, such as Shop with a Cop and National Night Out, and Cpl. Aaron Olicker even spent Mother's Day surprising mothers with roses on Main Street.

7. Newark Charter graduates first senior class

In May, the first-ever senior class graduated from Newark Charter School, which opened its high school in 2013 and added a grade each year.

School Director Greg Meece called the seniors "trailblazers," noting they organized NCS' first homecoming celebration, played on its first varsity sports teams, planned the first prom and created other traditions.

One such tradition came the day before graduation, when the seniors toured all three schools one final time. They started in the elementary school, where youngsters clad in the school colors of red, white and blue waved American flags as the graduates passed by. They then walked to the intermediate school, where students cheered as "Pomp and Circumstance" played over the loud speaker, and finally took a bus back to the high school, where underclassmen greeted them with a pep rally atmosphere of cheers and chants.

8. Radio Newark hits the airwaves

After years of planning and a few setbacks, the community station Radio Newark finally hit the airwaves in February.

Steve Worden started Radio Newark in 2010 as a science-oriented internet station based out of the basement of his Nottingham Manor home. Since then, he's secured agreements with universities, news agencies and nonprofit organizations around the world to distribute their content.

His goal was always for Radio Newark to live up to its name and feature primarily local programming accessible on the radio dial here in Newark. He achieved that goal when workers installed the station's 51-foot-tall antenna on the University of Delaware's STAR Campus. The station can be heard at 99.9 FM.

9. Harlem Globetrotters alum starts weekly basketball clinic in Brookside

In the spring, Newark resident Joe Richmond began offering weekly basketball clinics at a court in Brookside. Kids pay \$5 per clinic, with no advance registration or commitment needed.

Along with the basketball lessons, Richmond makes sure to impart life lessons as well, lecturing the kids on topics such as the importance of hard work and staying in school.

Richmond has a long basketball resume, including stints playing in Sweden, running a now-defunct minor league team in Wilmington and currently serving as an ambassador for the Delaware 87ers.

"Basketball has taken me so many places, but to come back into my own neighborhood...we're getting back to community," Richmond said in July, adding that in the first three months, approximately 120 kids attended the clinics, with a core group returning each week.

10. Boy, 9, lobbies for safety measures on Casho Mill Road

Whoever coined the phrase "you can't fight city hall," never met 9-year-old Joey Tosh-Morelli.

Tired of seeing motorists run stop signs in front of his family's home at the corner of Casho Mill and Church roads, Joey wrote a letter to Mayor Polly Sierer and then attended an August traffic committee meeting to pitch his idea to improve the situation — painting the words "Stop ahead" on the road surface as an additional warning to drivers.

"I thought that would be a good idea to put at our intersection because there's been a lot of screeching and beeping recently," Joey told the committee.

After a brief discussion, the committee unanimously supported the idea. The words will be painted this spring.

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City politics, Rodney site, parking debate dominate year's headlines

By JOSH SHANNON

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1. Balance of power shifts on city council

The April city council election resulted in a shift in the balance of power in Newark's government.

City council is nonpartisan, but in recent years, council members Marge Hadden, Stu Markham, Todd Ruckle and Luke Chapman often aligned with Mayor Polly Sierer, while council members Mark Morehead and Jen Wallace often voted together and advocated for more fiscally conservative policies.

In April, though, newcomer Chris Hamilton defeated Hadden, and former Councilman Jerry Clifton regained his old seat after Ruckle declined to seek another term. While there were certainly exceptions, Clifton and Hamilton often aligned with Morehead and Wallace, giving that coalition a 4-3 advantage.

The shift came into play especially during discussions of the city's budget, when council approved a more conservative budget than in year's past, with no tax increases or additional employees (though a previously approved stormwater fee was included). Additionally, Clifton, Morehead and Hamilton proposed staff reductions, a conversation that will continue into the new year.

Tensions between council members were thrust into the spotlight during a heated exchange at an Oct. 23 meeting when Hamilton accused Sierer of using city events – such as the Mayor's Harvest Festival – for political gain, and Sierer accused Hamilton of using bad language and bullying city employees.

2. City strikes deal to purchase Rodney site

After two years of planning, the city of Newark reached a deal in February to buy the University of

Delaware's Rodney dorm complex for use as a stormwater pond and park. While the property is under contract, the city has three more years to make a final decision on whether to purchase it.

Through a series of public meetings, a consultant hired by the city developed an \$8.1 million plan to build the pond and a surrounding park that officials hope will become a "unique recreational destination" featuring a walking trail, playground, fishing pier and other amenities.

The project is contingent on the voters approving a referendum to take on debt this spring.

3. STAR Campus begins to take shape

It was a banner year for the University of Delaware's STAR Campus, as the former Chrysler site welcomed four major projects.

Construction on the 10-story STAR Tower began early in the year, and the building reached its final height during a "topping off" ceremony in August. When it opens next year, it will house part of UD's health sciences college as well as commercial tenants.

Meanwhile, this fall, work began on two more projects: a six-story, \$156 million biopharmaceutical building and a \$150 million research and development center for Chemours. Both will open in 2020.

Officials also broke ground at the site of the expanded Newark train station, which is intended to improve rail transportation to and from the STAR Campus.

4. The parking debate continues

As sure as the sun rises in the east, no year is complete without debates about parking in Newark, and 2017 was no exception.

The year began with five developers pitching ideas for mixed-use parking structures behind the Main Street Galleria. A majority of council members signaled their



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A demolition crew tears down the old Newark Cleaners building on South Main Street in March to make way for a mixed-use complex featuring 19,000 square feet of retail space and 36 apartments.

desire to move forward with the next step, but no further action was taken.

In February, the city eliminated half-hour increments in the fee to park in Main Street lots, bringing in an additional \$100,000. This fall, the city proposed increasing the cost of parking in lots and at meters, but the plan was delayed due to opposition from business owners. A vote is slated for Jan. 8.

Meanwhile, the planning commission convened a subcommittee to look at outside-the-box ideas for improving parking in Newark. Recommendations are expected sometime in 2018.

In a bit of good news for Newark parkers, the city installed a countdown sign in Lot 1, providing drivers with a real-time count of how many spaces are empty. Eventually, similar signs will be installed at the other two Main Street lots.

5. Development projects cause controversy

Development is always a hot topic in Newark, and this year was no different.

Opponents of a development project in Ogletown lost their fight when county council approved plans to build a 260-unit housing development on the site of the former Our Lady of Grace Orphanage. The county and state made a last-ditch effort to purchase the land for use as a park, but the property owner rejected the offer.

Meanwhile, residents near West Chestnut Hill Road began a fight of their own against plans to build

44 two-story townhouses on an 8.9-acre wooded lot on Independence Way.

It was a relatively slow year for new student housing projects, but council did approve plans for seven townhouses at 36 Benny St. Construction began on a mixed-use project on South Main Street containing 19,000 square feet of retail space and 36 apartments. The project, approved in 2012, is being built at the site of the former Newark Cleaners and the aging College Town Apartments.

The owners of the Park N Shop plaza on South Main Street unveiled plans to demolish the shuttered M&T Bank building and replace it with a 10,600-square-foot, three-story building containing retail space and 12 student apartments.

6. Marches, demonstrations protest Trump policies

Newark for many years has been a progressive city, but the inauguration of Donald Trump ushered in a renewed sense of activism in the city, as several groups held marches and other protests to raise concerns about the new president's policies.

Just one day after Trump's inauguration, more than 1,000 people took to the streets of Newark in support of women's rights. The Newark protest was one of nearly 400 sister marches around the country that coincided with the Women's March on Washington, which drew hundreds of thousands to the nation's capital.

In April, two Newark Charter School students, with the help of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Newark, organized a March for Science, which drew 700 people. Smaller protests throughout the year expressed support for immigrants, showed solidarity with the Sikh community and voiced concerns over the impact of the GOP tax proposal on graduate students.

In December, city council waded into the immigration debate, passing a largely symbolic resolution declaring Newark a "welcoming city" to everyone, regardless of immigration status.

7. City manager, other top officials step down

A number of top city officials headed for the exits in 2017, including City Manager Carol Houck who left for a similar job in Delaware City in May.

In a surprise move, city council appointed Public Works Director Tom Coleman to serve as acting city manager instead of Deputy City Manager Andrew Haines. Council then spent several months debating the process for choosing Houck's permanent successor before finally hiring an executive search firm in December.

Other departures include Planning Director Maureen Feeney Roser, Electric Director Rick Vitelli and IT Manager Josh Brechbuehl. In the last two years, six top officials have left, representing a loss of more than 130 years of institutional knowledge.



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Hundreds marched down South Main Street in support of science in April.



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A sign on Capitol Trail urges city council to vote against the proposed Florida T traffic configuration prior to a Nov. 2 meeting.

8. Controversial Florida T proposal defeated

Ending two years of debate, city council rejected the controversial proposal for a "Florida T" at the intersection of Woodlawn Avenue and Capitol Trail.

Under the plan, the Delaware Department of Transportation would have reconfigured the intersection to limit access out of Stafford and the other neighborhoods from Woodlawn Avenue. Only right turns in and out would be allowed, meaning residents could not use Woodlawn Avenue to turn left onto Capitol Trail or head straight to Cleveland Avenue.

Officials argued it would improve traffic, but it was vehemently opposed by residents of Stafford and surrounding neighborhoods, who launched a petition drive and packed a special council meeting that was moved to the Aetna fire hall to accommodate the large crowd.

The Florida T was just one of several recommendations from a taskforce assembled to look at ways to improve safety and congestion in the Cleveland Avenue corridor. Ideas that were approved included removing on-street parking on Cleveland Avenue, installing bike lanes, making part of Margaret Street one-way, and reducing the lanes on Cleveland Avenue while adding a center turn lane.

9. Police investigate homicide, fatal hit-and-run, train fatality

Three fatal incidents drew attention in Newark in 2017.

In July, 44-year-old Kelvin Dottin was struck by a vehicle while walking along Elkton Road. His body was found in a ditch nearly 10 hours later. Todd A. Stillman, an employee of the Delaware Department of Corrections, was indicted on the charge of leaving a collision resulting in death.

Later that month, a person was found dead on the Amtrak tracks near the Newark Train Station. A family member identified the victim as Sarah Meyer, who had been reported missing two days earlier.

In September, Newark saw its first homicide since 2014 when Sherrie L. Campbell, 34, was found stabbed to death in her home on Westfield Drive. Police later charged her boyfriend, Rondell Veal, 36, with first-degree murder. After attempting suicide in New York City, Veal was eventually extradited to Delaware and imprisoned on \$1.17 million cash bail.



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A woman was stabbed to death inside her home on Westfield Drive in September.

10. Main Street Movies opens in Newark Shopping Center

Newark Shopping Center got a big boost in March when Main Street Movies 5 opened.

With an expanded footprint, reclining seats and a fresh look and feel, the five-screen theater took the place of the old Newark Cinema Center, which was evicted from the shopping center in October 2015. During a \$3 million renovation project, crews gutted and rebuilt the old theater, added on to the back and converted space to the left of the theater that once housed offices.

The theater was hailed as an anchor for the renovated shopping plaza.

"I've been waiting for so long. I'm delighted it's happening," Marilyn Minster, owner of Minster's Jewelers, said, adding that she hoped the influx of customers will help draw in more businesses to fill the shopping center's remaining vacancies.

It appeared that she was right, as several businesses have opened since then, including Hot Pot and Poke Bros., with more planning to open in 2018.

Other notable stories:

A New Jersey company announced plans to open a medical marijuana grow operation and dispensary at the site of the former Alexander's Lawn and Garden



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Main Street Movies 5 opened in Newark Shopping Center in March.

The Christina School District welcomed new superintendent Richard Gregg and two new board members, Angela Mitchell and Meredith Griffin, Jr. The district also had to cut more than 70 positions due to a reduction in state funding.

The University of Delaware announced a partnership with former Vice President Joe Biden, creating the Biden Institute to study public policy.

A new six-story, 101-room Candlewood Suites hotel opened on South College Avenue as construction began on a 132-room Marriott SpringHill Suites hotel on Ogletown Road.

Democrat Stephanie Hansen won a special election for the District 10 state senate seat vacated by newly elected Lt. Gov. Bethany Hall-Long. The race drew national attention and garnered nearly \$1 million in donations. Democrats framed it as voters' first chance to strike back at President Donald Trump, and the GOP viewed it as a chance to take control of the state senate for the first time in four decades.

Newark approved a monthly stormwater fee for residents and businesses. It will cost residents between \$1.77 and \$5.31 each month, depending on the amount of impervious surface on their property.

At least 12 cases of indecent exposure were reported in Newark in 2017. Most notably, a prominent New Jersey hospital executive was charged with three incidents of exposing himself or masturbating in parking lots.

UD adjunct professor and Newark resident Katherine Dettwyler drew national attention for reportedly writing online that an Ohio man who died after a period of captivity in North Korea "got exactly what he deserved." UD condemned Dettwyler's remarks and cut ties with her.

Residents of Fairfield who had been hoping for a replacement for Superfresh got their wish when Food Lion confirmed plans to open in Fairfield Shopping Center sometime late next year. Meanwhile, work slowly began on improvements to College Square Shopping Center.

City council killed a long-planned, \$1.75 million project to build a pedestrian and bicycle bridge over White Clay Creek. However, in a stunning turn of events a week later, council revived the project during a hastily-called special meeting after new funding sources emerged.



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Master Cpl. Blake Potocki and Sgt. Scott Simpson, of the Newark Police Department, investigate a site along Elkton Road where a man was struck and killed July 6. Coverage of the incident was the most-read story on newarkpostonline.com in 2017.

Most-read stories in 2017

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In 2017, we posted more than 1,100 local news stories on newarkpostonline.com, attracting more than 1 million visits to the website.

It's hard to say what makes a particular story "go viral" and attract a larger-than-usual audience, but, as usual, we found that most of the most popular stories this year were about crime or local businesses.

The one exception to that trend was the September article about former Newark Police Chief Bill Brierley returning to the British people a historic British flag that had been left in his possession four decades ago. The

article, which was the 10th most-read story of the year, also holds the distinction of being the only story in the history of our website to draw more readership from another country than from here in America. In fact, 60 percent of the readers were from the United Kingdom, with another 20 percent from Canada, Australia and other foreign countries.

It's a fascinating reminder of the power of the internet – that a local story in a small community newspaper in Newark, Del., can touch thousands of people an ocean away.

Below is a list of the 10 most-read stories in 2017.

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day and is always free to all users.

1. Police ID victim of fatal Elkton Road hit-and-run
2. Health inspectors shut down original Jake's Way-back Burgers location in Newark
3. Main Street Movies 5 to open Friday night
4. Medical marijuana growing facility, dispensary to open in Newark
5. NJ hospital executive charged with indecent exposures on Main Street, UD campus
6. Man takes cash, iPhone from woman's jacket at Klondike Kate's
7. Developer lands 'major anchor' store for Fairfield Shopping Center
8. Prostitution sting leads to police chase through Newark Shopping Center
9. New owner makes his mark on Klondike Kate's
10. Historic flag returned to British Navy during Newark ceremony

Top 10 sports stories in 2017

By JON BUZBY

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Compiling a list of the Top 10 sports stories is never easy. Putting them in any type of order is even more difficult given the diverse interests of our readers.

So for this year's list, I decided not to rank them in any particular order and to also include some out-of-town teams that have generated quite a bit of local interest.

Brian Polaski retires: One of the most familiar faces on local pool decks called it a high school career and resigned his position as Newark High's boys swim coach. Polaski, who swam and coached in some capacity at Newark for 25 years, cited his new administrative position at William Penn High School and becoming a father for the first time as the primary reasons for the move.

Butch Simpson Field: Supporters of Newark High football started the process of naming the field at Hoffman Stadium for legendary coach Butch Simpson. Under recently established rules, renaming requests first go to a district committee and then must be approved by the school board. Naming the field after the Christina School District's most storied coach in any sport is long overdue. The ceremony should have taken place while he was still coaching on the sideline, but since it wasn't, the naming certainly should have been done by now. I don't want to hear the excuses. As far as I am concerned, and others I've heard from, there are none.



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Newark Charter's Keegan Cahill prepares to throw a pass in the DIAA Special Olympics Unified Flag Football Championship in December.

Eagles are the talk of the town: The Philadelphia Eagles looked like the team to beat until star quarterback Carson Wentz went down with a season-ending knee injury. But even after that happened, with former Pro Bowl MVP Nick Foles back under center for the Birds, Philly is still a team to be reckoned with as the playoffs begin. The Eagles have home field advantage until the Super Bowl and we'll know in a few short weeks just how far this year's Eagles team can fly.

Mike Brey comes home: In keeping with his promise when UD men's basketball coach Martin Ingelsby was hired, Ingelsby's mentor and former UD coach Mike Brey scheduled his Notre Dame team to play a game at the Bob Carpenter Center. The sellout crowd with the hottest ticket in town welcomed Brey home with open arms. Despite the Blue Hens falling to the then-No. 9 Irish, it was a night of basketball fans won't soon forget.

Newark Charter wins again: For the second consecutive year, the Patriots captured the DIAA/SODE Unified flag football championship. Senior quarterback Keegan Cahill orchestrated another near-flawless game plan to give the school its second state title, and the only local state championship in any sport.

Newark High soccer: All coach Diego Ruiz has done since taking over the reins of his alma mater is win. After an eight-year hiatus from the playoffs before his arrival, Ruiz has led the Yellowjackets to the Division I playoffs all three years since he was named head coach.

Shannon Riley resigns: It came as an abrupt surprise when, fresh off the Dragons' undefeated regular season and Blue Hen Conference championship, Glasgow High School football head

coach Shannon Riley resigned to pursue other business interests.

Sixers interest booming: With "The Process" now officially complete on paper, interest in the Sixers has reached a level not seen since the days of Julius Erving or Allen Iverson. There's a waiting list for season tickets and the arena sells out even when teams without a first-name status – Steph, LeBron, K.D. – come to town. Thanks to injuries and Joel Embiid's "minute management" we still have yet to see just how good this team can be on a consistent basis. But it's safe to say there's more interest in Sixers basketball than there's been in more than a decade.

Tina Martin let go: Call it what you want – fired, resigned, retired – but any way you look at it, longtime UD women's basketball coach Tina Martin was forced out in a then-surprising move by UD administration. However, since the decision, no matter who you talk to, past or current members of the program, apparently the culture change is a long overdue and welcome one.

UD football future appears bright: The new coach at UD didn't waste any time giving longtime football fans hope that the program's storied past was close to becoming the story of the future. The Hens were just one win shy of making the playoffs for the first time since 2010, so the future looks bright on the field. Off it, or around it I should say, UD announced major stadium and athletic complex renovations and additions that will catch the athletic department up to most of its recruiting competition in terms of student-athlete facilities.

Next week, I'll unveil the Top 10 stories to look forward to in 2018. Until then, Happy Holidays!



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The most memorable photos from 2017



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Newark High senior Macy Cooper reacts to being named homecoming queen during halftime of a football game in October.



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William Case, 10, runs the Main Street Mile in October.



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Volunteer Shari Miller helps yarn bomb parking meters on Main Street to raise awareness of Lyme disease in April.



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Brynn Cheeseman, 5, makes a scarecrow at Community Day along with sister Tessa, 2, and mom Amy.



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Two young attendees listen to the playing of the national anthem during a Memorial Day ceremony at Memorial Hall.



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Christine Budynkiewicz and son Gianni have fun riding the Alpine Bobs ride on Gianni's eighth birthday at Holy Family Church's Summerfest carnival in July.



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Mayor Polly Sierer and Newark Police Cpl. Darryl Saunders play basketball with local kids during July's Family Fun Night at Handloff Park.

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THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
ERIN DEMETRISS PULINARIO
Petitioner(s)
TO
ARIEL DEMETRISS MACK
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ERIN DEMETRISS PULINARIO intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to ARIEL DEMETRISS MACK.

ERIN DEMETRISS PULINARIO
Petitioner
Dated: 12/6/2017

np 12/15,22,29

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THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
JOSHUA AMOS KIST, JR.
Petitioner(s)
TO
JOSHUA KIST LESTARDO
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that NICOLE M. LESTARDO intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her minor child's name to JOSHUA KIST LESTARDO.

NICOLE M. LESTARDO
Petitioner
Dated: 11/30/2017

np 12/22,29,1/5

2754945

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
EMILIO NEFTALI SANTIAGO
Petitioner(s)
TO
CHAANCE ANTHONY HUTT-ASHE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that LATONYA HUTT-ASHE intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her minor child's name to CHAANCE ANTHONY HUTT-ASHE.

LATONYA HUTT-ASHE
Petitioner
Dated: 12/6/2017

np 12/29,1/5,12

2754799

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
MICHELE DARLENE LEWIS
Petitioner(s)
TO
MICHELE DARLENE DEBA SALDANHA
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MICHELE DARLENE LEWIS intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to MICHELE DARLENE DEBA SALDANHA.

MICHELE DARLENE LEWIS
Petitioner
Dated: 12/8/2017

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THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
BISHNUHARI PAUDYAL
Petitioner(s)
TO
BEN PAUDYAL
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that BISHNUHARI PAUDYAL intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to BEN PAUDYAL.

BISHNUHARI PAUDYAL
Petitioner
Dated: 12/13/2017

np 12/22,29,1/5 2756027

NOTICE OF FILING WITH ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL COMMISSIONER – 402 OGLETOWN ROAD
Danneman Hospitality, LLC has on December 11, 2017 applied with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner for a License as a Restaurant to Sell Alcoholic Liquor for Consumption on the Premises Where Sold (including the right to utilize an attached patio with recorded and live music) located at 402 Ogletown Road, Newark, Delaware 19711. Persons who are against this application should provide written notice of their objections to the Commissioner. For the Commissioner to be required to hold a hearing to consider additional input from persons against this application, the Commissioner must receive one or more documents containing a total of at least 10 signatures of residents or property owners located within 1 mile of the premises. The protest(s) must be filed with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner at the 3rd Floor, Carvel State Office Building, 820 North French Street, Wilmington, DE 19801. The protest(s) must be received by the Commissioner's office on or before January 12, 2018. Failure to file such a protest may result in the Commissioner considering the application without further notice, input or hearing. If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact the Commissioner's Office.

np 12/15,22,29 275418



Delaware Department of Transportation
Jennifer Cohan, Secretary

PUBLIC HEARING For The Abandonment & Vacation of an Unimproved Portion of Glenside Avenue Wilmington, Delaware



Tuesday, January 9, 2018 1:00 p.m.
DelDOT Administration Building
250 Bear-Christiana Road, Bear, DE

WHEREAS, The Delaware Department of Transportation, (DelDOT) has custody and control of an unimproved portion of Glenside Avenue, Wilmington; and

WHEREAS, the adjoining property owners, have petitioned DelDOT to consider the vacation and abandonment of an unimproved portion of Glenside Avenue, measuring approximately 320 linear feet +/-, which has ceased to be of necessity to the highway system.

WHEREAS, Title 17, Section 1311 of the Delaware Code grants DelDOT the authority to vacate and abandon public roads or parts thereof, ceasing to be of necessity to the general highway system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by DelDOT that a **Public Hearing shall be held with regard to the proposed vacation and abandonment of an unimproved portion of Glenside Avenue. The hearing will be held at the DelDOT Administration Building, Conference Room, located at 250 Bear-Christiana Road in Bear, on Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 1pm. Public comments concerning this matter will be received at this time.**

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Jennifer Cohan, Secretary
Robert B. McCleary, P.E.
Chief Engineer and Director of DOTS

For additional information contact **Ida J. Parrett, SR/WA**, DelDOT Right of Way Operation Services Manager: 302-760-2242 or ida.parrett@state.de.us.

PUBLIC NOTICE

np 12/29

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The household goods and personal effects of the following person will be sold at public auction on the premises of Delaware Moving and Storage Inc.
214 Bear Christiana Road, Bear, DE 19701 on
Wed January 10, 2018
Rose Marie Papa
Unknown
Rosa Turner
Unknown

np 12/29,1/5 27 57178

LEGAL NOTICE
RE: DEADLY WEAPON
I, Peter Oluremi Osinubi, residing at 8 East Weald Avenue, Bear, DE 19701, will make application to the judges of the Superior Court of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County at Wilmington for the next term for a license to carry a concealed deadly weapon, or weapons for the protection of my person(s), or property, or both.
Peter Oluremi Osinubi
12/26/17

np 12/29 2757843

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
BRANTLY MICHAEL HUGHES.
Petitioner(s)
TO
BRANTLY MICHAEL FERRICKS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that SHAWN FERRICKS and AMBER FERRICKS intend to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change their minor child's name to BRANTLY MICHAEL FERRICKS.

SHAWN FERRICKS and AMBER FERRICKS
Petitioner
Dated: 12/11/2017

np 12/15,22,29 275747

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
DECEDENTS TRUST ESTATE
Trust Estate of John S. Taylor
To all creditors:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, John S. Taylor, who lived at 15 Plymouth Lane in Newark, died on November 23, 2017. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Lisa A. Bryan, the successor trustee.
Revocable Living Trust established by the decedent on the first day of October, 2009.
All such claims must be presented to the said successor trustee within four months of the date of publication of this notice.
December 26, 2016

Lisa A Bryan
1501 Lakewood Drive
Wilmington, DE 19803
(302) 479-7850
2757756

np 12/29,1/5,12

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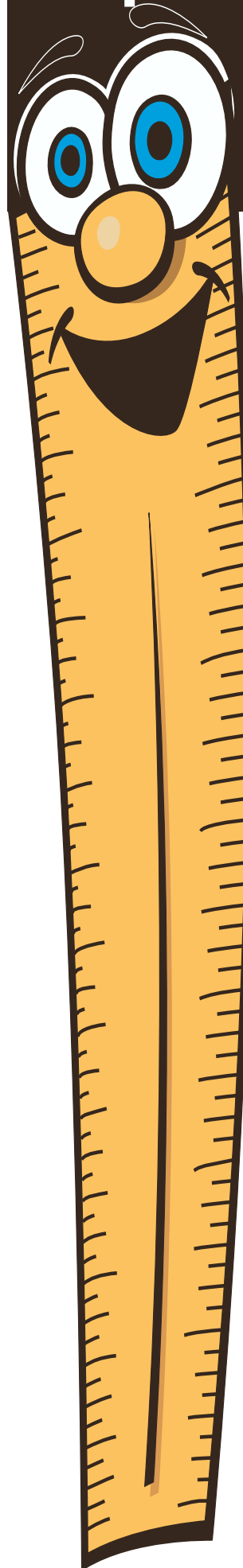
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