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UP FRONT

A good
time to bare
my soul

By JIM STREIT

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

In less than three weeks, my wife, Linda, and I begin the 30th year of our marriage. Considering the statistics, this is notable. Not unusual, but certainly something of which we are proud.

Being married to me is difficult.

I'm on the go all the time.

Even when rare free time surfaces, I search for diversionary activity. I want to squeeze as much gusto as I can during my days on this earth. This approach does not fare very



Streit

Being There



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY KATY CIAMARICONE

First grader Taja Joyner and other Brookside Elementary School students and staff recently held a luncheon for mentors like Terry Crotty of the Center for the Humanities at the University of Delaware.

Sex offender locale not districts' problem

Legislators repeal
law requiring noti-
fication of public

By KATY CIAMARICONE

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

State legislators repealed a controversial law that would have left school district officials in charge of notifying the public when sex offenders moved into the district.

House Bill 247, passed in July 2001, made district administrators responsible for mailing a letter to all students' households whenever a sex offender moved into the local community.

The General Assembly revisited the law in January and agreed to change it, in response to school officials from all over the state who said the law was too costly for districts to implement.

Prior to the legislative action, two mailings to students and par-

ents in January had already cost the Christina District a total of \$11,000, said Lisa McVey, public information officer for Christina. And, districts were to be responsible for the entire amount of these mailings.

Under the revised law, titled House Bill 381, district administrators must keep a list of convicted sex offenders' names on file for public view at the district administrative office, instead of mailing notification to every district students' home.

McVey said it will still take some man hours to coordinate a binder with the list of names, and to keep it updated. "But it is a better situation for the district," she said.

The mailings raised questions among a "handful" of district residents who wanted to know more details about the sex offender living among them.

That created a difficult situation for district officials who were not to release any information about them, McVey said.

Record low streams in Delaware, Maryland

Getting
out the

...mowed. Particularly as the years pass, I'm more forgetful. I never was good at remembering to empty the dishwasher, go to the bank or buy milk. Linda doesn't ask much of me; I hate it when I fail to make simple contributions that she requests.

I'm not a Harry Homeowner type of guy. I don't like nor do I know how to handle fix-up projects. Over the years, we've shelled out a lot of cash to painters and plumbers. Worse, "little things" were fixed only when it was became time to sell a home, denying us the pleasures of a door bell that works or faucet that doesn't drip.

I don't hunt or fish, but I have my male-bonding vices. Often, this further distances me from what I should be doing.

Why am I baring my soul? Because, I suspect probably like most males, I want to pay tribute tomorrow to the woman I love.

In addition to her exemplary roles as mother, housekeeper, provider and nurturer, for three decades now Linda has put up with me and my idiosyncrasies.

I thank her and I love her.

below normal in both states in January 2002

Five months of below normal rainfall have led to record low monthly streamflow and ground-water levels in some areas of Maryland and Delaware, according to hydrologists at the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) in Baltimore, Md. Streamflow was below normal at 87 percent of the real-time USGS gaging stations and 100 percent of the USGS observation wells across Maryland and Delaware at the end of January. Only Garrett County, Md., had normal streamflow conditions at the end of January.

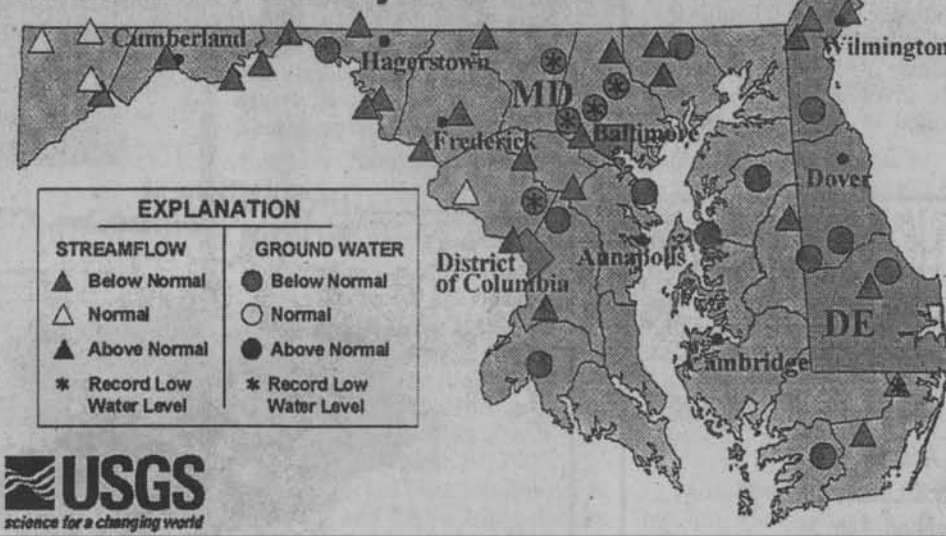
Streamflow entering the Chesapeake Bay averaged 16.8 bgd (billion gallons per day), which was 71 percent below the long-term average; the second-lowest January streamflow since records began in 1937.

Streamflow has been below average since January 2001, except during April. The low flow caused higher salinity levels during 2001, which resulted in higher incidence of oyster disease. This situation could occur again if low-flow conditions persist.

Record low streamflow levels for January were set at the Pocomoke River on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. Streamflow levels at Winters Run and Deer Creek in Harford County, Maryland have frequently set new record daily lows for the last five months.

The monthly streamflow in the Potomac River near Washington, D.C. was 84 percent

at the end of January 2002



below normal in January. Streamflow was also below normal at Antietam Creek, Choptank River, Conococheague Creek, Nassawango Creek, Patapsco River, Gunpowder River, Patuxent River, Piscataway Creek, Monocacy River, and Potomac River in Maryland, and Christina River and White Clay Creek in Delaware.

From July-December 2001, Delaware was the driest the state has been since the National Weather Service began keeping records.

During the last six months of the year, Delaware averaged only 10.5 inches of rain, according to Dan Leathers, state climatologist and a professor of geography at the University of Delaware, who released his

annual climate summary for the year 2001.

Weather statistics for the year show: 2001 was warm and dry in Delaware. Over the past five years, Delaware has received only 82 percent of its normal precipitation; 2001 was the 11th driest year in northern Delaware since 1894.

In southern Delaware, 2001 was the ninth driest year since 1949; The weather service predicted a colder winter with normal precipitation.

Ground-water levels were below normal across Maryland and Delaware at the end of January.

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message

Christina seeking venues to explain referendum need

Christina District officials are leaving nothing to chance in their efforts to get out information and the vote for \$144 million in capital improvements in April.

Christina District school superintendent Nicholas Fischer will be on the speaker circuit throughout New Castle County in the next few months to present the district's plan.

"We heard people's concerns in the last go-round," said Fischer. "We want to be sure we give them what they need to make an informed judgment of the proposal and hopefully, to support it."

Fischer is planning to make an audio-visual presentation at the March 11 meeting of Newark city council.

"I'm going to be giving city council and the community information about the referendum, the needs, and the costs, and the tax assessments that will be involved for the taxpayers," said Fischer.

City manager Carl Luft advised council of the presentation at their last regular meeting on Jan. 28. Councilmember Karl Kalbacher said he hoped Fischer would not expect them to endorse the plan.

Mayor Hal Godwin agreed any endorsement would be improper but said he did not mind the district sharing information with the community.

Fischer is also planning to speak to the 7 & 40 Alliance, the Bear-Glasgow Council of Civic Organizations and officials in the city of Wilmington. Other venues are also being sought.

"We're taking recommendations from anyone who's ever been involved in something like this," said Fischer. "We want to be sure we've done everything we can to make this work out this time."

-Mary E. Petzak



Fischer

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DART bus could link Newark and Pike Creek

Also interest in bus service for Pike Creek to Churchman's Crossing area

By KATY CIAMARICONE

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Based on results from a traffic survey Pike Creek residents completed last summer, local transit authorities think a bus service between Pike Creek and Newark would benefit the community.

"It's being taken under consideration very seriously," said Christine Fenimore Kubik, program manager of the Traffic Management Association, the local non-profit group that conducted the survey.

Kubik said a DART First State

bus route between the neighboring communities could be a possibility by the summer of 2003, if included in the budget for fiscal year 2004.

A Pike Creek to Churchman's Crossing bus route might also be established, she said, but the Pike Creek-Newark route would probably happen first because community members have shown interest in it for a long time.

Local shoppers, civic association leaders and residents of major apartment complexes in the area were among those who responded to the survey.

Over the past 10 years, the Pike Creek Valley north of Newark has grown into one of the most densely populated in Delaware.

Civic leaders have for years been asking for a stronger bus service in response to the increased traffic congestion and air pollution that go hand-in-hand with a large population.

Last year, when officials at

state transportation agencies learned the state might lose federal funding if certain air quality standards are not met, they started pursuing increased ridership and updated transit service in Pike Creek.

Transportation officials decided to ask members of the general public what they think before moving forward with any projects.

Local residents responded to surveys, asking where they live, where they work, how they get to work, how long it takes them to get to work, what it would take to get them to take the bus to work instead of to drive, and what they think are the major traffic congestion problems in Delaware.

About 67 of more than 1,000 surveys distributed in the area were filled out and returned.

Of those who did respond, 24 percent said the major cause of traffic problems here is urban sprawl. Twenty-three percent said the problem is insufficient

roadway capacity - that DelDOT officials need to build new roads and widen existing ones. Twenty-one percent said the state needs to establish more public transit.

Sixty-six percent of respondents drive alone to work. Sixty-two percent of them were interested in giving public transit a try.

Most of them said they would be willing to take a shuttle service to work if it was available in their development and took them directly to their worksite. Most of the respondents work in downtown Wilmington.

Kubik said a DART service already runs from Pike Creek to Wilmington. "So we took that as the community is happy with the public transit that is already available to them," she said. The only problem is, people don't seem to know those services are available.

"We really need to get out there and talk to people and educate them."

POLICE REPORTS

Cause of death not determined

According to information released by Dr. Richard T. Callery, Delaware's Chief Medical Examiner, an autopsy did not reveal the cause of death for Ronald Huff.

The 42-year-old Newark man was found dead inside his Towne Court apartment on Jan. 16 with his pet lizards feeding on his body. The SPCA recovered seven Nile Monitor lizards from inside the residence. The largest lizard measured six feet in length. Police had gone to Huff's home after relatives and co-workers became concerned because he had not reported to work for several days.

Callery said the cause of death was classified as undetermined after complete postmortem examination, histological studies and toxicological studies.

Three underage teens charged with DUI

Shaun W. Gravell, 19, of St. Georges, was charged with zero tolerance DUI and underage consumption after his vehicle was stopped for running a red light around 1:25 a.m. on Jan. 30 at Veterans Lane on Elkton Road.

Newark Police charged Alfredo R. Sotero, 19, of Newark with zero tolerance driving under the influence and numerous traffic violations on Jan. 31 around 1:05 a.m. on West Delaware Avenue east of Elkton Road. Officers reported that Sotero's vehicle ran a red light, "fish-tailed" and made a U-turn over a median, and drove the wrong way on Main Street.

Newark Police charged Joshua A. Miller, 18, of New Castle with driving under the influence and resisting arrest after police observed his vehicle swerving across the center line on North College Avenue around 12:30 a.m. on Feb. 3. Two passengers, Anthony S. Bertollo, 18, and a 16-year-old boy, both of New Castle, were charged with underage consumption.

Traffic accident leads to arrest

Newark Police charged Brian J. Kozlowski, 21, of Wilmington with disorderly conduct and resisting arrest around 1 a.m. on Feb. 2 on East Delaware Avenue west of Haines Street. Officers said Kozlowski was "yelling and screaming" after being involved in a two-vehicle accident and refused to stop.

Underage drinking coincidence?

window broken at the University of Delaware Center for Alcohol Studies. The second suspect, a 19-year-old Newark man, fled the scene. Police are investigating.

Underage possession of beer in vehicle

Newark Police charged Steven M. Lodeski, 19, of Wilmington with underage possession after observing a case of beer in his vehicle on Capitol Trail around 7 p.m. on Feb. 2. Officers stopped Lodeski after his vehicle changed lanes several times without signaling.

Underage drinking at shopping center

Newark Police charged a 17-year-old male and Robert Simpson, 18, both of North East, Md., with underage consumption at the Newark Shopping Center around 1:40 a.m. on Feb. 2.

Counterfeit money passed at WAWA

New Castle County Police are investigating the passing of counterfeit cash on Feb. 5 around 3:44 p.m., at the WAWA convenience store on Carpenter Station Road. The male suspect, whose image was captured on the store's video, purchased a money order and a newspaper using counterfeit cash.

Management from the store notified New Castle County Police. Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact police at 395-8171.

Trooper injured after

around 4 a.m. on Feb. 9.

Troopers were called to the Residence Inn on Chapman Road where they observed a male suspect trying to kick in the glass window of one of the rooms. The suspect fled in a green-colored Hyundai driven by another suspect which was pursued by police until crashing into a guardrail near the Route 896 interchange on Interstate 95.

Police were approaching the vehicle when the driver started it and drove toward one of the officers. A 41-year-old trooper was injured when officers fired at the Hyundai in an attempt to disable it.

The two suspects refused to get out of the car even after it stopped and resisted arrest as they were being handcuffed. Both were taken to Christiana Hospital and treated for injuries received in the crash.

The trooper, a 20-year veteran assigned to Troop 9, was listed in good condition after being operated on to remove a projectile from his lower left leg.

Police are investigating to determine if the wound was a ricochet from a fired weapon or a piece of debris. The burglary incident is also under investigation.

Man killed in crash on Route 896

Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal crash that happened on Feb. 6 around 9:40 a.m. Stephen R. Bluzard, 44, of North East, Md., driving his 1972 Chevrolet Corvette north on Route 896, entered the intersection at Old Cooches Road/Four Seasons Parkway against a red signal and was struck in the driver's side by a 1990 Oldsmobile Cutlass driven by Carry M. Meredith, 23, of Newark.

Bluzard was pronounced dead at the scene as a result of injuries he received in the crash. Meredith was transported to Christiana Hospital where she was treated for minor injuries.

The investigation is still ongoing and Meredith was wearing a seatbelt at the time of the crash. It is unknown if Bluzard was wearing his seatbelt at the time of the crash.

the callers have claimed to be representatives from the local police and/or fire departments soliciting for disabled police or firefighters.

There are organized bands of thieves who travel the East Coast as the seasons change. They are known to target senior citizens and affluent communities. Each year in the spring, police investigate countless home improvement and diversion type scams. The recent phone scams mirror the additional types of scams.

Remember to never pay for repairs or make donations in cash. If someone offers anything that sounds "too good to be true" it probably is. If possible, prior to utilizing any repair service or offering donations, contact the Better Business Bureau at 996-9200 to ascertain if the business is reputable and legitimate.

Always report any suspicious vehicles, persons or activity to your local police department immediately. Police could be investigating a related incident in another area.

Nine killed in January crashes

The Delaware Office of Highway Safety reported that during the first month of 2002, nine individuals were killed in nine separate motor vehicle crashes on Delaware roadways.

Four of these deaths were alcohol-related. The percentage of alcohol-related fatalities last month was 44 percent of the total, an increase from 33 percent in January 2001.

Acts of aggressive driving, including speeding and running a stop sign were listed as contributing factors in 5 crashes last month. One other fatal crash involved inattentive driving.

Of the nine fatality victims, all were occupants of passenger vehicles. Three of them were wearing seatbelts.

Railroad Safety Month

During February, which is Railroad Safety Awareness

Month in Delaware, DART First State is promoting Operation Lifesaver Delaware, established in 1986 as part of Operation Lifesaver Inc., and safety practices at railroad crossings in the state.

Delaware had an average of four railroad crossing collisions each year from 1994 through 1998. During 1999 and 2000, the average increased to 10.5 collisions per year. Operation Lifesaver Inc. has reduced railroad crossing crashes nationwide by 70 percent since its inception in 1976.

Delaware has 297 railroad crossings, of which 75 percent have an active warning system, such as flashing lights or flashing lights and gates. The remaining 25 percent are passive or non-signalized crossings that have the familiar X-shaped crossbucks.

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To learn more about DART First State's Operation Lifesaver program, call 302-577-3278 or visit DartFirstState.com.

Robbery on bike at trailer park

New Castle County Police arrested Antonio Rivera, 20, of Becks Landing and charged him with robbery in the second degree, carrying a concealed deadly weapon and underage consumption on Jan. 30 around 8:15 p.m. in Glasgow Trailer Park.

The 16-year-old male victim told police he was listening to his portable CD player when a subject on a bike approached and took the CD player.

Police located the suspect's bicycle on Sophia Drive parked near a trailer and later apprehended the suspect without incident and recovered the victim's CD player. Rivera was also found to be in possession of an illegally sized folding knife.

Elderly man walks into moving car

Delaware State Police are investigating a pedestrian crash that injured Louis Panco, 85, of Wilmington on Feb. 6 around 9:40 a.m. Indolfo Sanchez Jr., 36, of Newark was driving his 1996 Pontiac Grand Am on Kirkwood Highway near the entrance to the Elsmere Shopping Center when Panco stepped into the road and walked into Sanchez's car.

Panco suffered extreme trauma to his left leg and troopers believe his left foot may have been caught in the Pontiac's rear wheel hubcap. He was listed in stable condition at Christiana Hospital.

Witnesses said that Panco appeared to be disoriented when he walked in to the roadway. No charges had been filed at the time of this report.

Above-normal rain or snow needed to avoid drought

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Record low ground-water levels for January were set at five water-table observation wells in the Piedmont area of Baltimore, Carroll, and Montgomery Counties in Maryland. Ground-water levels in this central Maryland area are now lower than they were during the drought of 1999.

Storage in the Baltimore Reservoir system decreased to 59 percent of capacity in January. Rainfall has been below normal since September 2001, except in western Maryland.

In north central Maryland, rainfall was more than 10 inches below normal for the last year, according to the Middle Atlantic River Forecast Center. Above-normal rain or snow is still needed during the next few months to replenish low streamflow and ground-water levels in order to avoid drought conditions this spring and summer.

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Trash collection changes for holiday

The following changes will be in effect for the Presidents' Day

Christopher J. Collins, 20, of New York, with underage consumption around 1:50 a.m. on Feb. 3. Officers driving on Main Street heard a loud crash and saw Collins and another man near a

Delaware State Police arrested Stephen D. Sainson, 21, of Brookside and Thelton D. Tucker, 21, of Christiana West Towers in Newark after they were involved in a chase which resulted in a trooper being shot

Elderly persons at risk for scams

New Castle County Police have recently investigated several incidents involving elderly victims who have received bogus phone scams. On most occasions,

trash normally collected on Monday, Feb. 19, will be collected on Tuesday, Feb. 19. Trash normally collected on Tuesday, Feb. 19, will be collected on Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2002.

There will be no bulk or large item pickups during this week and there will be no change to Thursday or Friday collection schedules.

If you should have any questions, call the Department of Public Works at 366-7045.

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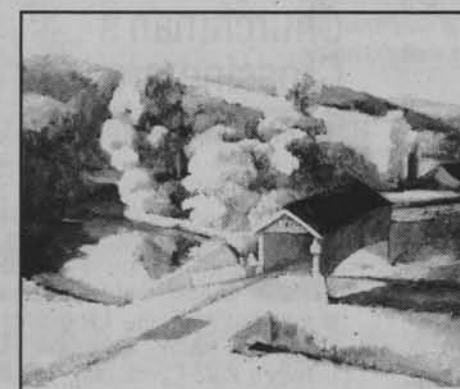
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Deputy- Suzanne, Newark, son

Hayes- Madeleine and Shawn, Newark, daughter

Sherrier- Darla and Michael, Hockessin, daughter

Tuesday, January 22

Palmer- Aleta and Todd, Newark, son

Taylor- Bridgette and Clarence, Bear, daughter

Lesage- Lisa and Dana, Newark, son

Dill- Kathleen and Kevin, Newark, daughter, son

Skinner- Catherine and Matthew, Newark, son

Oconnor- Lisa and Nathan, Newark, daughter

Gioffre- Michelle and George, Hockessin, daughter

Walley- Shamecia and Michael, Newark, daughter

Wednesday, January 23

DiCarlantonio- Julie, Newark, daughter

Simha- Vasanthi and Mayura, Newark, son

Hosler- Kimberly and James, Bear, son

Divrigilig- Autumn, Bear, son

Thursday, January 24

Webb- Tyrea, Bear, son

Gallaher- Vanessa and Scott, Newark, daughter

Schloer- Tracie and Bill, Newark, daughter

Friday, January 25

Lawrence- Christine and Jamal, Newark, son

Being 'someone who's in the mix' is just part of the job

By KATY CIAMARICONE

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Handling more than 100 12 and 13-year-olds every day is no easy task. Keeping them out of trouble sometimes seems impossible.

The federal government recently recognized Anthony Pullella for doing even more than just keeping Kirk Middle School students on the right track. He was singled out primarily for keeping them safe.

The National Action Center, a federal agency created to reduce school violence in schools nationwide, recently recognized the school safety liaison officer at Kirk for his work with the Safe Schools/Healthy Students Initiative.

A newsletter distributed by the Center to school districts across the country last month noted Pullella's contributions at Kirk.

"Pullella's proactive attitude has helped him identify trouble and intervene before problems occur, causing the number of students in in-school suspension and after-school detention to drop 67 percent," stated the newsletter. "Out-of-school suspensions have dropped 10 percent, and reports

of major violations to the code of conduct have dropped sharply."

Pullella said his primary duty is to be accessible to students when they have a problem. "Basically, you have to have the kids come tell you when there's a problem," he said.

Trouble is more likely to start where there's a lot of kids at once. "The cafeteria and the bus court - that's where most of the fights get started, because there's a crowd of people there," he said. "Most of the time it's 'he said/she said' stuff - sometimes it's serious stuff, but when they can talk to someone one-on-one, they usually are able to calm down."

He said the way to build students' trust in him as a confidant is to always be available.

"I'm out in the hallways, talking to them at lunchtime. You have to act not like their boss, but someone who's in the mix," he said. "You can't keep your door closed. You have to talk to them and remember them and build a one-on-one relationship with them."

Pullella also teaches a "Second Steps" class to all Kirk seventh graders, in which students learn how to better control their anger and handle issues without using violence. Students

are given scenarios, then think about how they would react if the situation was real.

The class is designed to get students, teachers and administrators involved in the educational process, said Jan Abrams, Christina's grant consultant for the Safe Schools program.

"For instance, if bullying was the theme of the week, all the teachers would reinforce it in their lessons - we're trying to create a schoolwide culture in which students and the teachers are all speaking the same language," Abrams said.

Funded through the U.S. departments of Education, Justice, and Health and Human Services, the safety initiative provides grants to school districts in an effort to reduce school violence nationwide.

The three-year grant, which expires this year, provided approximately \$6 million to the Christina School District.

Christina administrators used the monies for additional security guards, video surveillance cameras in schools, photo identification badges for all students and staff, and extra staff members like Pullella, hired specifically to heighten safety awareness in schools.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY KATY CIAMARICONE

Anthony Pullella's job as safety officer starts at the front door of Kirk Middle School.

Art center opens in 150-year-old home on Limestone Road

By KATY CIAMARICONE

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

The rooms of a 150-year-old Pike Creek house now offer more than just a scenic view of Limestone Road. Lined with colorful artifacts from China, Japan, Taiwan and Korea, the rooms hold a collection growing since Mike and Catherine Lee moved to Delaware from China in 1971.

The Lees, who came here to attend graduate school at the University of Delaware, owned Lee's Orientals specialty store on Main Street for 18 years, then moved to College Square Shopping Center until closing that store last year.

Their next goal is to finish renovating the house located next to the Citibank office complex on Limestone Road and convert it into an art center.

Residents of Fairfield in Newark, the couple originally planned to sell antique coins, jewelry and other collectibles from various parts of Asia out of the house as a business. "We wanted our own place," Catherine Lee said. "We didn't want to

of businesses opening all along Limestone Road.

"Citizens involved with the civic league spoke about traffic safety because it's a highly traveled part of Limestone Road," said Abbott, "and they were worried about what we call 'creeping commercialism.'"

Following public hearings, the County planning commission voted unanimously against the rezoning.

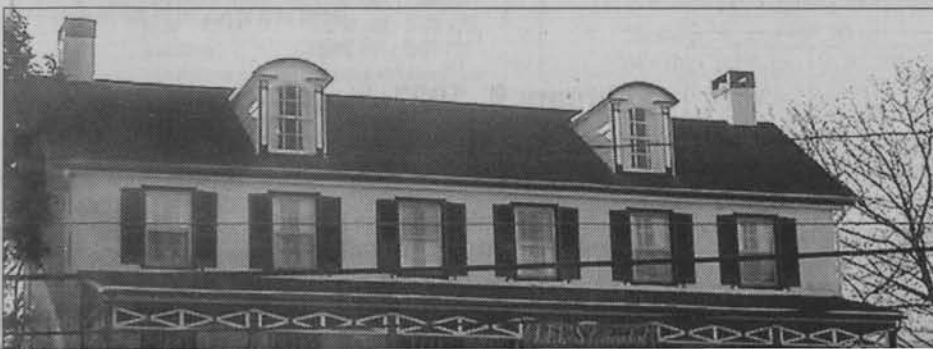
The Lees' attorney suggested that they convert the space into an art center, displaying their own collection for the public to see, then opening a small gift shop

where they will sell items they used to sell at the other Lee's Orientals stores.

Under the County zoning code, churches, schools and art centers are allowed in residential areas with certain restrictions. The Lees can operate the gift shop as long as it only takes up 10 percent of the space within the house.

"This way, we're only opening Pandora's Box a crack, we're not ripping the door wide open," Abbott said.

They plan to hold a grand opening for the center in March, but persons interested in the collection can call now to make



Catherine Lee and her husband will have some items for sale in a small gift shop.

appointments to tour the gallery. The store is open between 12 and 6 p.m. on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

The Lees hope teachers will bring their students on field trips to the gallery. "We want to educate," Catherine Lee said. "It is a big country; we need to make it smaller - to learn about other cultures."

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Walters- Renee, Newark, daughter
Gurowitz- Leslie, Newark, son
Benjamin- Rachae, Newark, daughter
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When the Lees found they could not open a business in this 150-year-old home (above) on Limestone Road, they decided to turn it into an art center filled with 30 years of Chinese artifacts (right) collected since the pair moved to Delaware.

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lets traditional of Chinese rituals; antique figurines made of elephant, fish and camel bones; a kimono used in a Japanese wedding; pencil holders carved from bamboo roots; and reproductions of famous pieces of Asian artwork, including a horse sculpture crafted around 200 B.C. which bears a special significance this month as the Chinese New Year – the year of the horse – begins.

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Alcohol studies have all they need

Underage drinking along with underage drinking and driving, is raging unabated in the Newark area.

Newark Police charged three drivers this week with zero tolerance DUI, a charge reserved for those driving after drinking underage no matter what their blood alcohol content may be.

Lest anyone think these young people were just out having a little fun and minding their own business, note that they were detected for various traffic violations – including one who drove over a median and into oncoming traffic on Main Street.

Other teens were arrested for underage drinking when they were found riding in the car of a drunk driver or just hanging out at the Newark Shopping Center in the hours after midnight.

In an incident that would be amusing if it was not so sad, an underage drinker and a friend drew the attention of police when a window in their vicinity broke with a crash.

Police are uncertain if the pair, one of whom was arrested for underage consumption when he didn't run as quickly as his friend, were responsible for the broken glass at the University of Delaware Center for Alcohol Studies.

Keep in mind that these were just the ones who got caught.

We've asked this question before, and we really would like to hear from some of you.

What do the parents of these teens think they are doing out driving around in the middle of the night? Do you know they drink and ride in cars with drunk drivers?

Do you just hope for the best – or what?

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OUT OF THE ATTIC



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PAGES FROM THE PAST

News as it appeared in the *Newark Post* throughout the years

February 9, 1927 Rittenhouse Motors takes Nash automobiles

C.E. Rittenhouse, of the Rittenhouse Motor Company, South College Avenue, announced yesterday that they

primarily because of physical deterioration.

But, the Area II subcommittee said they had yet to receive a "ballpark" figure on how much would be saved by closing a certain kind of school.

Black leader Wilson

Elkton bets on border casino

A divided Elkton City Council threw its support behind Maryland legislation allowing a proposed casino on the Maryland-Delaware border.

Council member Robert Alt

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Bill to extend town

At the meeting of the Town Council Monday evening, two important matters were decided upon. The first was that a bill shall be presented to the State Legislature granting to the town of Newark the right to extend the town limits.

The plans for the larger Newark have not been completed, so that the newly proposed limits cannot yet be stated.

February 13, 1980

Closings panel: no conclusions yet

At Monday night's meeting the Area I subcommittee recommended that the George Gray Elementary School be closed,

Today at age 65, George M. Wilson, Newark's first and only black city councilman is still a fighter.

"I come from a family of 12 - all professionals except me," says Wilson who is a successful builder and demolition contractor. "Doctors, nurses, social workers - they all had to leave Newark to ply their trade. I made up my mind I wasn't going to leave here."

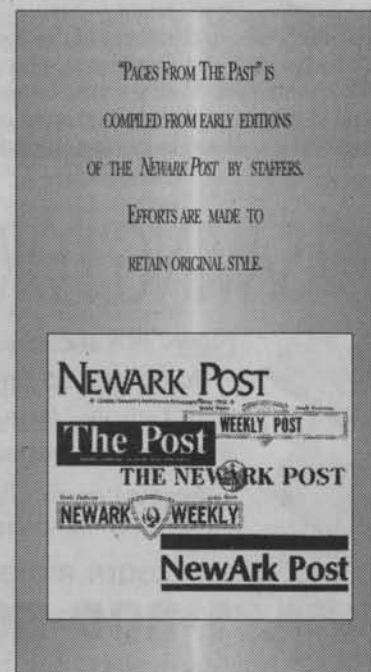
February 14, 1997

Parents want temporary classrooms

Parents from Leasure Elementary School begged the Christina School Board on Tuesday night to make an extraordinary effort to keep their children at that location next year.

A parent who will have three children going to Leasure next year repeated her request for consideration of temporary classrooms in trailers.

ing industries that have gone on to benefit nearby areas.



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GUEST COLUMNIST

Churches on Main Street are not the problem

By RANDY WEIN

NEWARK POST GUEST COLUMNIST

I was quite surprised to read planning director Roy Lopata's quote in the Jan. 23 issue of the Newark Post calling Newark United Methodist Church, now in its 203rd year of serving the community, a "problem."

At issue is the request for a liquor license by our new neighbor the Italian Bistro.

The restaurant moved into 59 East Main Street last summer fully aware of both the property deed restriction preventing the service of alcohol and of the city law forbidding sale of alcohol on property adjoining a church. In fact, the previous tenant left the site because it could not serve alcohol.

Perhaps his desire is to boost a restaurant whose revenues have lagged expectations. Perhaps his frustration is with city laws and zoning deed restrictions. But Mr. Lopata's quote that commer-

cial growth is limited because "the problem is we have two churches on Main Street" is sadly short-sighted.

Churches on Main Street are a problem only if the city's sole objective is to establish more alcohol outlets.

Main Street already has several bars and restaurants serving alcohol. Adding another not only would require exemption from two existing city ordinances, but also would violate the stated vision of the Downtown Newark Partnership to provide "a diverse business mix that serves residents, seniors, teens, kids, and students alike."

Newark United Methodist Church, far from being a "problem," contributes tremendously toward that vision. Our diverse activities attract persons of diverse ages, races and even religious backgrounds. This church provides what every commercial district requires: a "magnet destination" that will draw persons into the area.

On an average Sunday, our worship services and church school draw more than 700 persons to East Main Street. A significant number come early to buy coffee and doughnuts; many stay afterward to dine and/or shop.

Our church also helps the Downtown Newark Partnership reach its goal to "draw local residents and people from other cities."

On a recent Sunday morning, our worship services drew people from 18 different zip codes, ranging from Middletown to Chesapeake City to Kennett Square to Claymont.

But, our activity is not limited to Sundays. We are a seven-days-a-week church whose meeting space makes us a center of the community.

In addition to countless church activities, groups meeting at NUMC include:

- literacy volunteers and their students;
- two Cub Scout packs;
- Parents Without Partners;
- 12-step programs;

- a group for nursing mothers;
- a Tai Chi class;
- a Zen meditation group;
- community swim clubs;
- and a group for survivors of sexual abuse.

In addition, our highly respected preschool has enrolled 140 children; registration for next school year already has a waiting list. This also brings a significant number of adults to Main Street each day.

And the many community music programs at NUMC are a unique attraction on Main Street.

Each year our church hosts:

- four performances by the Newark Symphony Chamber Orchestra (in addition to providing rehearsal space);

- three concerts by the NewArk Chorale (as well as weekly rehearsals);

- four to six public recitals and concerts by our music department;

- an average of a half-dozen recitals by community individuals and groups.

All of these benefits are in addition to the spiritual presence the church provides for the community.

When disaster struck last Sept. 11, NUMC was there to hold a community service of mourning and healing.

On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday each year, the church offers services convenient to all. And the chapel is open daily for prayer.

Newark United Methodist Church's presence on Main Street is a rarity. The national trend is for growth churches to sell out and move to the suburbs, where land is cheaper, parking is easier, and middle-class suburbanites more plentiful.

I pray that our church will remain on Main Street for the next 203 years, working in service to and with the community. No problem!

Wein is pastor for congregational development at Newark United Methodist Church.

NEWARK POST ❖ IN THE NEWS

To: Editor
From: Jeannine Herman
 American Red Cross

In recognition of Black History Month, the American Red Cross salutes the many contributions of African Americans now and throughout the organization's history.

Dr. Jerome Holland, a former president of Delaware State University and the first African American to become a member of the New York Stock Exchange, was also the first African American to serve as chairman of the American Red Cross, a position he held from 1978 until his death in 1985.

Sherese Brewington-Carr, an administrator in the Delaware Office of Labor, contends, "My experience with the American Red Cross of the Delmarva Peninsula has been extremely rewarding and I reaffirm that more persons of color should be involved with this association."

Brewington-Carr is on the board of directors and is one of the first people who volunteered to help the Red Cross after the Sept. 11 attacks.

Numerous African American Red Cross volunteers, like Tiffany Woods, regularly donate their time to make services, like responding to fires and teaching lifesaving courses, operate smoothly. Woods is a volunteer instructor for First Aid and CPR classes for the professional rescuer and on the Disaster Action Team. She is also the student nurse liaison to the University of Delaware.

To: Editor
From: Darlene Raker
 Newark

Both Bonnie Carpenter and David Robertson made good points in the Jan. 30 edition of the *Newark Post*, Letters to the Editor. My husband and I own a house on North Chapel Street. When we purchased the house, we understood that there were a lot of rental properties on the street, but I guess neither of us understood what that really meant.

Are you mad? Want to get something off your chest? Write a letter to the editor!

LETTERS TO EDITOR

We didn't realize it would mean being woken up in the middle of the night, during the week, because of loud parties or fights (as has just happened, hence this letter is being written at 1:30 a.m.); having to pick up toilet tissue and other trash in our yard that has blown there from the trash can that blew over or the bag that got torn apart; having people use our backyard as a toilet; being cussed out when I catch someone urinating on my porch and I ask them to stop; that my garden would be a thoroughfare; just to name a few of the problems we have encountered.

My husband and I both like Newark, or rather what Newark could be and what it once was. However, we are also thinking of moving because we have become disillusioned. It gets to be disheartening when you have to keep calling the City to take care of the same problem over, and over and over.

Using the excuse that we have a transient population can only go so far. This city has had a transient population for scores of years, can the city spell p l a n n i n g? And why can't the landlords be held accountable for some of the problems?

Landlords should be held accountable for tenants who don't keep the property up. At a minimum the trash should be picked up and the trash cans stored out of sight. Of course, the landlords would also have to do some repairs themselves.

Has anyone really looked at some of the houses and properties on Chapel Street, or even Cleveland Avenue lately? Would you like to live there? Is this the impression we want to give to people who visit our town when two of the most highly traveled roads look the way they do?

I'm sure the value of my house has gone down over the past five years, due largely to the deterioration of my neighborhood.

It's also disheartening when the police tell you that nothing can be done to the individual urinating on your porch or stumbling through your tomatoes because "they" didn't see them do it.

Did you realize that you cannot charge someone with trespassing unless you have signs around your yard stating that it is

private property and that you will prosecute? And that anyone can park in your driveway and you cannot have them towed unless you have another sign up saying that if they park there they will be towed, where to and how to contact them?

I want to thank my Councilperson Mrs. Rewa for her responses to our calls and emails (I'm being sarcastic here.) We have attempted to contact her several times with no response.

The City has some good ordinances on the books, but they keep passing more and making so many exclusions to them that they become almost ineffective. Then they don't give anyone the authority to enforce them or hold them accountable when they don't get enforced.

I keep hearing about how the City wants to get more single families here. I hate to tell them, but it will not happen until they start being more consistent in enforcing the laws they have and as long as they keep bowing to the rental property owners and the University.

To: Editor
From: William McMurray
 Stevenson Way

Recently my son came home complaining about his bus ride home. Apparently on his 30-minute bus ride he was repeatedly smacked on the head and his ears were grabbed and twisted by a student sitting behind him.

He said he notified the driver and nothing was done about it. He knew the name and bus stop location of the pesky student, and was given reassuring platitudes but bottom line was that nothing was done. The abuse continued throughout his ride home.

A call was placed to the Christina School transportation office to alert them of the situation. Information was passed over the phone to a clerk and we were reassured that it would be given to a supervisor.

The next day my wife called me at work to tell me that the abuse had continued and from the horror in her voice I knew there were physical signs of my son's ordeal. My wife called the Christina School transportation office with the name of the student and was again brushed off with an innocuous excuse.

As a dad, I told my son that these problems were a test for him to handle. I gave him some ideas of how to deflect attention away from himself, how to address the problem directly and emphatically, how to assert himself non-violently through verbal and body posturing.

But, the second day showed serious flaws in my advice and in the Delaware school system. And what saddens me most is that this could have been easily prevented. This problem student should have simply been moved up to the front seat and then all parties could go on as normal.

I brought this up at work. I was shocked at the nerve it struck among those 20-somethings who have recently passed through the Delaware school system. As someone who used the public school system to elevate himself from poverty, I was saddened by their despondency.

And most interestingly was that this problem seemed to be endemic only among students of Delaware's school system. Their peers, who had the fortune to be educated out-of-state, were as incredulous and disheartened as I was to hear the sadness and hopelessness that these Delaware students felt towards their local school systems.

I wonder how much confidence, I, as a patriot and citizen, would have in my safety and security if after Sept. 11th my leader and government said something like "Yep, terrorism happens. You should have been more careful."

And so I told my son that sometimes when all other options fail, it is necessary for him to take matters into his own hands. I told him that yes, he could get in trouble with the school district, but that it is better to fight and lose than go through life fearful. I told him getting in trouble was still better than being beaten up.

It bothered me that I had to do that. It is no wonder that our students are despondent. It is no wonder that half of our students score below standards. It is no wonder our children have little respect for adults.

Bottom line: it's preventable. Right now in fifth grade a student is riding home on a school bus.

Do we leave that student to his own devices, or do we act and just move the offending student up to the front seat of the bus and if he persists, then require his parents to take him to school themselves?

MAYNARDS CELEBRATE 50TH

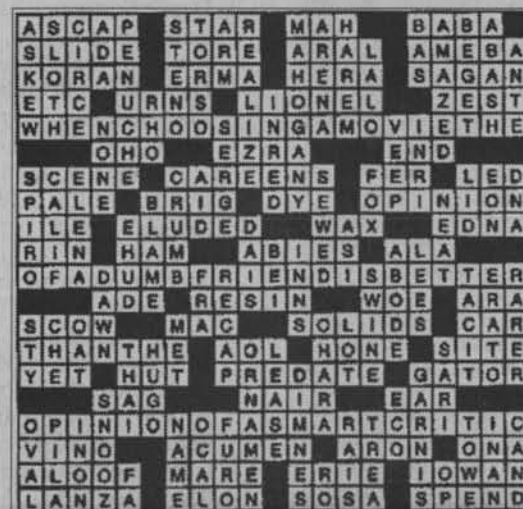


Dan and Ruth Maynard of Newark celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Feb. 2. They were married at the Unitarian Church in Melrose, Mass. Dan is retired from the DuPont Company. Ruth is a homemaker. Their children are Daniel Maynard Jr. of Newark and Kristine M. Betts of Wilmington. They have three grandchildren, Daniel, Suzanne, and Abby. The couple celebrated their anniversary in Bermuda.

Dan has a BS in civil engineering from the University of New Hampshire and an MS in civil engineering from the University of Minnesota. He retired after 35 years as a project engineer for the DuPont Company.

Ruth has a BS in social work from the University of New Hampshire. Previously, she was a social worker for the Department of Welfare in Wilmington, worked for Big Sister's Association in Minnesota and was a crossing guard in Newark. She is currently retired.

They have lived in New Hampshire, Minnesota, Wiesbaden, Germany and Newark.



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He continued to state that values should be substantial, better than an off-site sale, because "the sale is conducted right on my own existing lot. I don't have to transport my vehicles, computers, personnel, etc. I'm passing the savings on to my customers." Due to the anticipated response for an event such as this, Tiny has agreed to continue to receive additional used vehicles throughout the event and make them available for sale as soon as possible. This revolutionary approach to selling used vehicles will make it quick and easy for anyone in the market to get a great deal no hassle and no negotiating.

Tiny has requested and expects representatives from the area's most liberal lenders and most aggressive wholesale buyers to be available to offer the best financing and the most possible money for your trade-in. Tiny also said, "if you've had credit problems in the past, no application will be refused. We have a multi-million dollar inventory for this tremendous event. Our total inventory will be over 100 used vehicles, including cars, trucks, vans and sport utilities. Lunch and refreshments will be served during the sale."

Tiny further stated that this is the best opportunity for anyone seeking a used vehicle to get the best deal anywhere around. "It's a win-win situation for the dealer and the customer. It allows me to reduce my inventory, and negates the costs associated with sending vehicles to dealer auctions."

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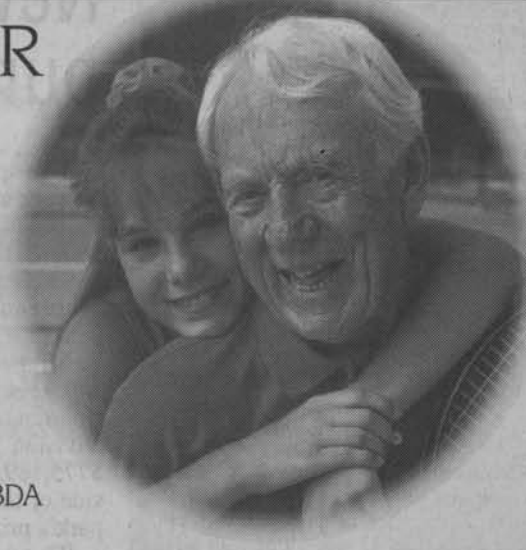
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Shall we dance?

Special to the Post
by Ray Finocchiaro

Paul Thompson found himself at a performing arts college that featured dance. It was only natural that the students at Allentown College would dance, either as part of the curriculum or just for fun.

So Paul Thompson danced. The fact that he was in a wheelchair didn't faze him.

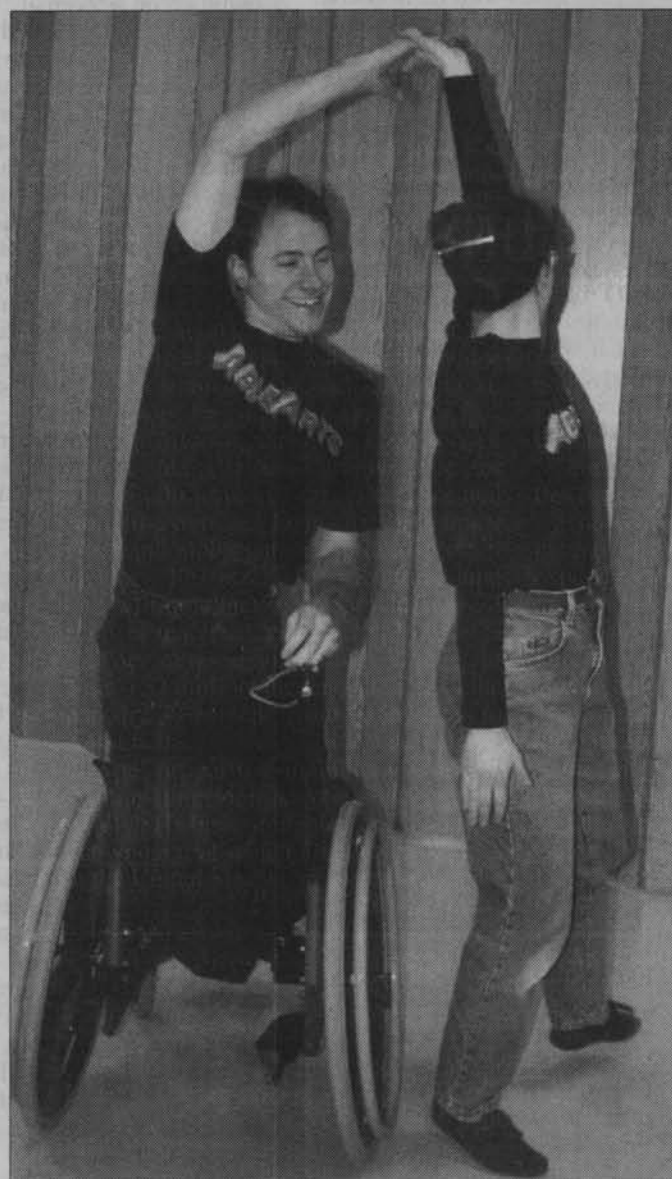
"I told them 'I can do this much, and they said 'OK,'" Thompson recalled. "I started dancing then with my wheelchair and also with my crutches, but it was never in a performance setting until I came to AbleArts."

AbleArts (AbleArts.com) is a Newark-based troupe of performers, with and without disabilities, who dance, do comedy sketches, recite poetry — or all of the above. The 33-year-old Thompson, who had done theater work since his days at Salesianum School in Wilmington, helped found the group in 1993.

AbleArts will perform in the ninth annual Delaware Dance Festival, which will be held Sunday, Feb. 24, at 3 p.m. in the University of Delaware's Mitchell Hall. The event is sponsored by the Newark Arts Alliance.

Thompson, partially paralyzed by a birth defect, will be featured in a performance piece called "Union," the first dance number he created for AbleArts.

Set to Edgar Winter's "Frankenstein," the piece begins with large orange and yellow fluorescent cards under black light on a darkened stage. "It's very visual," Thompson said. "You're not



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Dancer Paul Thompson, shown practicing with fellow AbleArts members Jill Mackey (above and right) and Paul Mackey (right) has created a piece called "Union" that explores his symbiotic relationship with his wheelchair.

beat."

Then comes Thompson's segment, set to "Money for Nothing" by Dire Straits.

"It deals with the symbiotic relationship of a person in a

then I find I can do much more with the chair. I pull myself back into my chair and do more dance numbers."

Thompson, a senior banking officer at MBNA

working behind the scenes.

"We're unique, the only group of its kind in the area, and we're totally different from anything else at the festival," Thompson said. "It's one of the few chances we have to show our talent in close to a peer environment."

It's also a chance for disabled people to see that physical limitations may not be as limiting as they seem. That's the concept that Thompson, wife Donna, and a few friends had when they formed AbleArts.

The program they had previously been involved with stresses education about theater rather than actual performance.

Thompson and Company wanted to strut their stuff, wheelchairs or other disabilities notwithstanding, so they broke away and created AbleArts. "We have been working ever since to create our own pieces, and we've

created literally dozens," Thompson said.

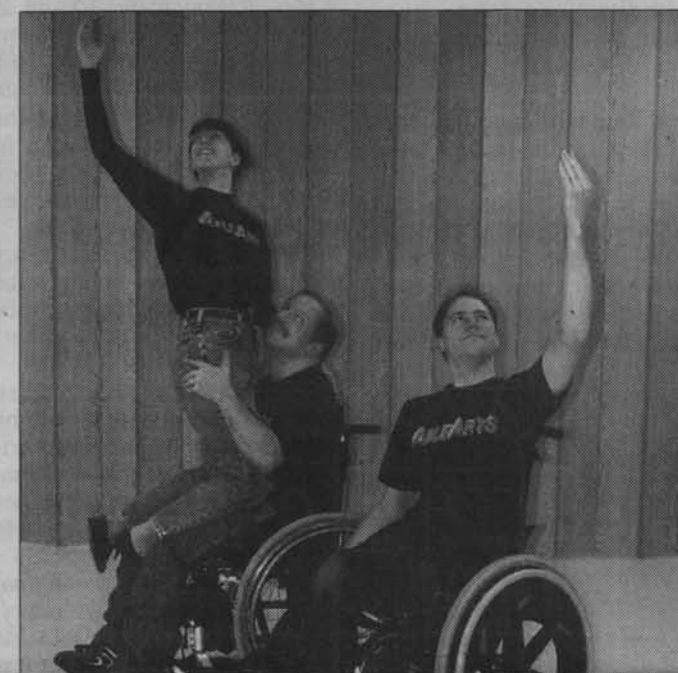
So just how does one "dance" in a wheelchair?

"We focus more on what the ability is than the disability," Thompson explained. "You focus on what arm movement is available. Only a small portion of communication is verbal when you do a dance performance."

"A lot of it is the music, the lighting, the expressions on one's face. They do tell a lot in a performance piece. So you work on that part."

Thompson said one of the pieces includes a person who is not disabled who will dance with a person who is disabled. "One will do the high kicks and the one with the long, expressive arm movements is the person in the wheelchair."

Finocchiaro is a professional sports writer who lives in Newark. This is his first profile for the Artbeat series.



NEWARK OUTLOOK

"Honey, I'm home!"

For most couples, like my parents, retirement progresses in stages. At first, my folks experienced a short-lived honeymoon in which everything seemed to come together nicely. As soon as the reality of retirement hit, however, they found they were not quite as excited about the prospect of being a senior citizen or "stuck" with each other everyday.

My dad started going to quilt shows, for goodness sake. Mom felt invaded and dad was bored. Four years later, they have adjusted but it took time, patience and communication.

Research shows that men and women experience retirement differently. Men, many of whom have spent more than 40 years honing their identities as providers, are suddenly reliving the identity crisis of their adolescence.

Women, many of whom have spent much of their lives independently keeping house and raising children, are now confronted with an intruder in their ordered world.



By Maria Pippidis

The peaceful and successful integration of two lives into one living space depends on the couple's ability to grow, both individually and together. To date, no concrete evidence points to some magical time period couples can expect to spend adjusting, but most retired couples report high levels of marital satisfaction.

Initially, retired couples may find themselves invading each other's space. Communication is essential. Whatever the issue, couples need to talk about it in an open and honest way. A few minutes of heated discussion is better than weeks of repressed anger and resentment.

Capitalize on interests. Work typically occupies 33 percent of an average day. Without work many find themselves wondering what's left to do. Everything's been washed, rearranged, waxed, and buffed. You've watched all the TV you can stand, and couldn't possibly read or knit anything else. After years of a regimented and regulated

Brainstorm activities you would like to do as a couple, as well as things you would like to do individually. Look around your community for groups and clubs that you may want to join. Volunteer. Enroll in a college course. Start with the day, then work on the week and month, and finally plan for the years ahead. This is one of the joys of retirement — planning the rest of your life together.

Think about all the transitions you've navigated: marriage, having children, raising and launching your children, dealing with a boomerang child (one you sent out of the nest who somehow found his or her way back home), discovering the wonders of being a grandparent, coping with economic uncertainty.

Now think about the happiness all of those times have brought you. Realize that there were some hurts and heartaches along the way, too. You're still together, so you must have done something right.

Be proud of your accomplishments! Allow yourself and your spouse time to adjust to this new life phase — just as it took you time to get to where you are today. Remember, as a 65-year-old, you have more than 37 percent of your adult life ahead of you! Enjoy it!

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people. You just see these cards moving around in different designs to a certain

You need one for the other. I throw the chair away for part of it - I leap out of it - and

Union is no one-man show. Eight members of the troupe will perform, with others



Newarker among landowners contributing to open space purchased by State Parks and Recreation at Killens Pond

Two parcels of land owned by a Newark woman are among the 345 acres of fields, woods and riparian habitat which the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control is adding to Killens Pond State Park near Felton.

Mildred K. Murphy of Newark sold 140.93 acres of farm land and upland and riparian corridor forest to DNREC's Division of Parks and Recreation for \$775,169. The parcels are on the south side of the Murderkill River, west of the park's primitive camping area.

The state purchased another 12 acres from Dorothy M. Mervine of Felton for \$107,000 in December. That acquisition protects part of Spring Creek, which flows into Coursey Pond, as well as upland and wetland forests and other wildlife habitat.

A one-acre forested building lot, an in-holding at the park, was purchased for \$37,500 from John D. and Loredana M. Mumaw of Harrington in December.

John Addison and Anne E. Draper of Felton sold 191 acres to the state for \$1,051,000 from in June 2001. Located along the northern boundary of Coursey Pond and along part of Spring Creek, it includes 170 acres of agricultural land that will continue to be farmed, and 23 acres of mature forest.

The new acquisitions, valued at almost \$2 million, increase the size of the park by 30 percent, from 1,099 acres to 1,444 acres.

The properties include a working farm, mature forests, upland and aquatic wildlife habitat and the northernmost known natural stand of bald cypress trees in the United States. "In a small state like

Delaware, every acre that we are able to set aside in perpetuity is a triumph for both current and future generations," said DNREC Secretary Nicholas A. DiPasquale.

State officials already plan new facilities for the parkland.

"In addition to preserving important natural resources, these new lands will expand recreational opportunities for visitors to Killens Pond State Park," added Division of Parks and Recreation Director Charles A. Salkin. "We are already making plans to add to the park's 10.35-mile network of hiking, fitness and bicycling trails."

Funding for the acquisitions came from the state's Open Space Program.

On Feb. 6, U.S. Senators Joseph Biden (D-Delaware) and Tom Carper (D-Delaware) announced that the National

Park Service awarded the state of Delaware \$1.3 million from the Land and Water Conservation Fund, a federal conservation program that uses funding derived from off shore oil drilling taxes to help preserve and protect the nation's parks and open space.

The state will use the funding to improve state parks and public spaces throughout the state of Delaware.

In a joint statement, Biden and Carper, long-time advocates of environmental preservation efforts said: "We are pleased that Delaware's park system will receive this important funding. Our state parks are a real treasure and we need to do all we can to make sure they are protected and preserved for current and future generations to enjoy."

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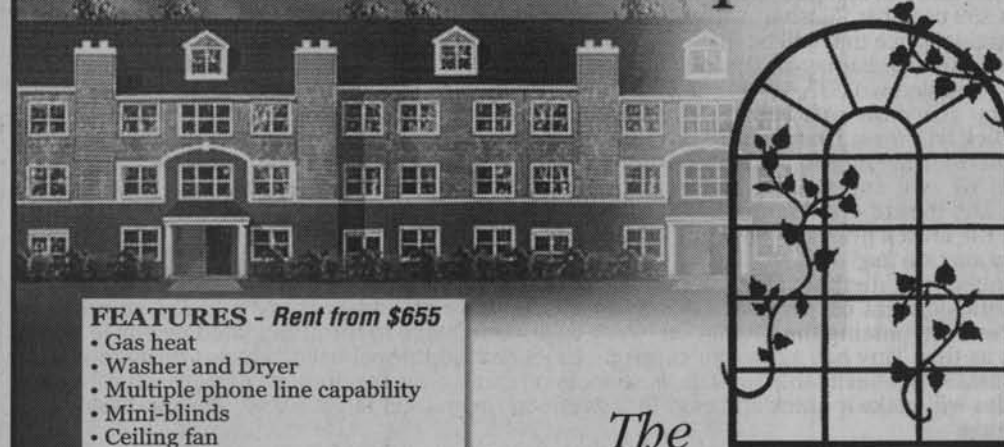
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FIGHT CLUB 7:30 p.m. Film at the Trabant Center, Main Street and South College Avenue, Newark. Admission \$1. Info, UD1-HENS.

FLASH ROSENBERG 7 p.m. Pupil of the late Byron Shurtleff, founder of the University of Delaware photography program, will present recollections of her days as a student at the Art House, 132 E. Delaware Ave. 266-7266.

JEKYLL AND HYDE Through April 28 at Three Little Bakers Dinner Theatre, Pike Creek. Tickets and times, 368-1616.

SOUTHERN FRIED MURDER

Through Feb. 23. Murder mystery which audience helps to solve at Candlelight Music Dinner Theatre, 2208 Millers Rd., Ardentown. Tickets and times, 475-2313.

TIME FOR TWOS 10:30 a.m.

Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays for ages 2-3 at Newark Free Library, Library Avenue. Registration required. Call to register at 731-7550.

■ THURSDAY, FEB. 14

SLEEPLESS IN SEATTLE 7:30 p.m. Film at the Trabant Center, Main Street and South College Avenue, Newark. Admission \$1. Info, UD1-HENS.

ZOO STORYTIME 10 a.m. Story and

animal presentation for toddlers and preschoolers at Brandywine Zoo. Meet at Education Building (next to Monkey House). Free zoo admission through March. Info, 571-7788.

A SHAYNA MAIDEL 8 p.m. through Saturday. Drama written by Barbara Lebow at the Laird Arts Theater of the Tatnall School, 1501 Barley Mill Road, Wilmington. Tickets are available at door or by calling the school at 998-2292.

THE VAGINA MONOLOGUES 8 p.m. tonight and tomorrow. Performance tonight in Mitchell Hall and in Perkins Student Center tomorrow. Proceeds benefit the Emmaus House. Admission \$5.

WARSAW PHILHARMONIC 8 p.m. at The Grand Opera House, Wilmington. Tickets, 800-37-GRAND.

■ FRIDAY, FEB. 15

THE OTHERS 7:30 p.m. tonight; 10 p.m. tomorrow. Film at the Trabant Center, Main Street and South College Avenue, Newark. Admission \$3. Info, UD1-HENS.

RIDING IN CARS WITH BOYS 10 p.m. tonight; 7:30 p.m. tomorrow. Film at the Trabant Center, Main Street and South College Avenue, Newark. Admission \$3. Info, UD1-HENS.

RECITAL 7:30 p.m. Music of Bach, Faure, Mozart, and Strauss at The Wilmington Music School, 4101 Washington St. Tickets, 762-1132.

FIREWORKS 8 p.m. Brandywine Baroque with violinist Elizabeth Wallfisch perform at Christ Church Christiana Hundred, Buck Road East. Tickets and info, call 594-1100.

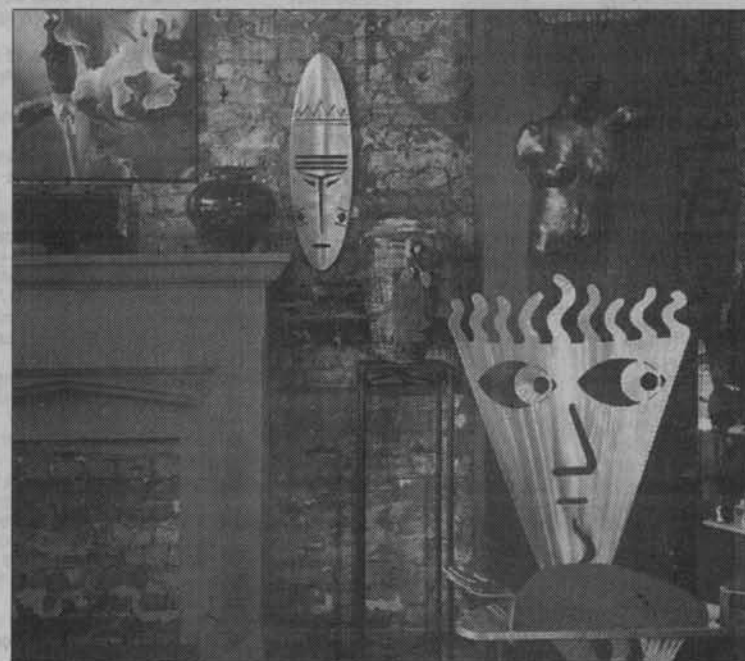
PHILADANCO 8 p.m. Dance company performs in Mitchell Hall, South College Avenue, Newark. Tickets, \$10, at 831-2204. Buffet dinner 5:30 p.m. at Blue & Gold Club. Adults, \$12.50; ages 5-11, \$6.50. Reservations, 831-2582.

DANNY HOCH 8 p.m. Actor, writer, and performer whose three solo shows have sold out in more than 50 cities at The Grand Opera House, 818 N. Market St., Wilmington. Tickets, 800-37-GRAND.

BRUCE ANTHONY 8-10:30 p.m. Jazz & blues performer at Home Grown Cafe, 126 E. Main St. 266-6993.

POKER NIGHT 7 p.m. third Friday of month at Newark Senior Center. Public welcome. 737-2336.

COFFEEHOUSE 8 p.m. third Fridays. Entertainment at the Art House, Delaware Avenue, Newark. Admission \$2; 14-and-under, free. 266-7266.



The Buyers Market of American Craft, world's largest wholesale venue for American and Canadian craft artists, will be at the Pennsylvania Convention Center in Philadelphia Feb. 15 to 18. Over 1,500 exhibitors will bring jewelry, furniture, lighting, home accessories, clothing, glass, and ceramics to this show. 1-410-889-2933.

■ SATURDAY, FEB. 16

FAMILY DAY 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Activities, crafts and storytelling relating to African American history at Delaware History Museum, Market Street,

Wilmington. Info, 656-0637.

THE BUCKET BRIGADE Through Monday. Salute to American fire fighters at Winterthur Museum. Open to those with Estate Passport tickets and free to members. Info, 888-4600.

ANNIE'S MENAGERIE 10:30 a.m. Storytime followed by performer at Rainbow Books, Main Street, Newark. Info, 368-7738.

LUNCHBOX 8-10:30 p.m. Acoustic blues music at Home Grown Cafe, 126 E. Main St. 266-6993.

VALENTINE BEEF-N-BEER 7 p.m. to midnight with DJ Kerry Fanning at Aetna Fire Hall, Route 273 and Ogletown Road. Tickets, \$30, includes beer and soda. Call 378-3049 or 376-7166 for tickets.

■ SUNDAY, FEB. 17

HISTORIC TWEED'S MILL 1 p.m. Meet at Nature Center for 1.5 mile hike to see old millrace, dam and other traces of old mill in White Clay Creek State Park. For information, call 368-6900.

AN AMERICAN VALENTINE 3 p.m. Concert of American music at Aldersgate Methodist Church, 2313 Concord Pike, Wilmington. For tickets, call 762-5248.

RANT AND RAVE FESTIVAL STEEL ORCHESTRA 3 p.m. Music of the Caribbean islands at Wilmington Music School. Tickets, \$5. For information, call 762-1132.

TRIO ARUNDEL 5 p.m. Concert in Loudis Recital Hall, Amstel Avenue and Orchard Road. Free. For information, call 831-2577.

■ MONDAY, FEB. 18

KINDERMUSIK 7:30 p.m. Tina Maclary presents program of singing, chanting, moving, listening, and playing simple instruments at Newark Free Library. No registration required.

■ TUESDAY, FEB. 19

MR SKIP 10:30 a.m. today and tomorrow. Storytime followed by performer at Rainbow Books, Main Street, Newark. Info, 368-7738.

STORY HOUR 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Tuesdays for ages 3-6 at Newark Free Library, Library Avenue. No registration required. For information, call 731-7550.

PAJAMA STORIES 7 p.m. Tuesdays for ages 3-6 at Newark Free Library, Library Avenue. No registration required. 731-7550.

■ WEDNESDAY, FEB. 20

MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY CHOIR 7:30 p.m. Celebration of Black History with famed choir and Delaware

FEBRUARY 13

EAST END CIVIC ASS'N 7 p.m. Second Wednesdays at Wesleyan Church, George Read Village. Info, 283-0571.

THE STONES WOULD SHOUT 7:30 p.m. Wednesday worship series through Holy Week at Our Redeemer Church, off Chestnut Hill Road, Newark. 731-6176.

VAGINAPALOOZA Noon to 4 p.m.

Women's Day Health Fair at Trabant University Center, Main Street, Newark. Free. Info, 245-0329.

CELEBRATING THE LITERARY VOICE 4 p.m. Presentation by Beatriz Rivera, Cuban-born author of "Midnight Sandwiches at the Mariposa Express," at Trabant University Center, Main Street, Newark. Free & open to public. 831-0229.

SCHOOL ELECTION REVISIONS 7 p.m. Public hearing on revisions to nominating districts for school board elections in Colonial School District at William Penn High School, East Basin Road. Info, 577-3464.

SCHOOL MENTORING 6 to 7 p.m. at Big Brothers-Big Sisters office, Middleboro Rd., next to Banning Park. 998-3577.

SKI CLUB 7 p.m. at Hockessin Fire Hall. Week-long & day ski trips, sailing, biking, rafting and more planned. Persons of all ages welcome to join. 792-7070.

JAZZERCISE 'LIGHT' 9 a.m. at Newark Senior Center. \$15/month. To register, call 737-2336.

FEBRUARY 14

TOASTMASTERS 7 p.m. Greater Elkton chapter meets at Cecil County Department of Aging to overcome fear of public speaking. Public welcome. Information and directions, call 410-287-3290.

NEWCOMERS CLUB 10 a.m. at Delaware Art Museum, Wilmington. Public welcome. Reservations, 633-0643.

YOUNG ADULT DEPRESSION 7-8:30 p.m. Support group sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware for ages 18-26. Free. Meeting locations provided only with registration at 765-9740.

LET'S DANCE CLUB 4 to 6 p.m. Thursdays. Bring partner and dance to DJ and Big Band Music at Newark Senior Center. Info, call 737-2336.

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NEWARK MORNING ROTARY 7-8:15 a.m. every Thursday at the Blue & Gold Club, Newark. For information, call 737-1711 or 737-0724.

DIVORCECARE 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays.

MEETINGS

FEBRUARY 15

SQUARE DANCE 8 to 10:30 p.m. at Shue-Medill School, Kirkwood Highway, for the 2x4 Square Dance Club. Cost: \$5. 731-4147.

PACE CLASS 9 a.m. Fridays or Mondays. People with arthritis can exercise at Newark Senior Center. \$13/month. Info, 737-2335.

CARDIO POWER 9 a.m. Fridays and Mondays at Newark Senior Ctr. 737-2336.

FEBRUARY 16

CHILD SEAT INSPECTION Today at Odessa Fire Company, Boyd's Corner. Free. Info, County EMS at 395-8180.

DIVORCECARE 1-3 p.m. Saturdays. Separated/divorced persons meet at Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike, Newark. All welcome. Info, 651-3600.

FEBRUARY 17

LINCOLN COLLECTION Today and tomorrow. Special exhibit of photographs, engravings, documents and notes written by Lincoln at Goodstay Center, Pennsylvania Avenue, UD Wilmington campus. Film "Face of Lincoln" today only. 573-4468.

STROKE CONNECTION 10:30 a.m. at the Newark Senior Center. Info, call Jean Raymond at 831-0001.

NEW CENTURY CLUB Noon. Luncheon followed by program and meeting at the club on Delaware Avenue, Newark. Cost, \$5. All ladies welcome. Reservations, 737-5831.

DIABETES SUPPORT 1 p.m. at Newark Senior Center. Register at 737-2336.

CHORUS OF BRANDYWINE 7:30 p.m. Men's barbershop rehearsals at MBNA Bowman Conference Center, Ogletown. All are welcome. 655-SING.

OPEN LIFE PAINTING 7-10 p.m. at Art Warehouse, 280 E. Main St., #16, Newark. Bring own supplies and easel. Painters split models fee. 266-7266.

NEWARK DELTONES 7:30 p.m. Mondays at Newark United Church of Christ, Main Street. Info, call 368-1749.

GUARDIANS' SUPPORT 6-8 p.m. Meeting for all those raising others' children at Children & Families First, 62 N. Chapel St., Newark. Info or to register, 658-5177.

NEWARK ROTARY CLUB 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. Mondays at the Holiday Inn, Route 273. 368-7292.

NCCo STROKE CLUB Noon at the Jewish Community Center, Talleyville. Info, call Nancy Traub at 324-4444.

Lions meeting with program at the Holiday Inn, Newark. Call Jim Moore at 733-0500.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP 7 p.m. at Liberty Baptist Church, Red Lion Road, Bear. 838-2060.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT 7 to 9 p.m. at Newark Senior Center, White Chapel Road, Newark. Free & open to public. 737-2336.

NARFE 11 a.m. National Association of Retired Federal Employees meets at the Glass Kitchen, Route 40, Glasgow. Info, call 731-1628 or 836-3196.

CH.A.D.D. 7:30 p.m., newcomers at 7 p.m.

Both Adult Support Group and Parent Support Group for persons with attention deficit disorders meet at New Ark United Church of Christ, Main Street. 737-5063.

SIMPLY JAZZERCISE 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays and 9 a.m. Wednesdays. Low impact fitness program at Newark Senior Center. Call 737-2336 to register.

DIVORCECARE 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays. Support group meets at Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike, Newark. For information, call 737-5040.

FEBRUARY 20

WHITELASHING RACE 12:20-1:20 p.m. Lecture in Black American Studies at 116 Gore Hall, South College Avenue, Newark. Free and open to public. Info, 831-1800.

group meets at Art House, Delaware Avenue, Newark. Info, call 266-7266.
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FEBRUARY 18

SETON SENIORS Noon to 3 p.m. Meeting and luncheon for ages 50-and-over at St. Elizabeth Seton Church, Route 7. Attendees asked to bring a dessert. 322-6430.

SWEET ADELINES 7:30 -10 p.m. Singing group meets Tuesdays at MBNA Bowman Center, Route 4, Newark. Listeners and new members welcome. Info, 999-8310.
NEWARK LIONS PROGRAM 6:30 p.m.

TOURETTE SYNDROME 7 to 9 p.m. Support group meeting for persons with Tourette Syndrome at Aldersgate United Methodist Church, Concord Pike. For information, call 999-1916 or 610-274-2321.

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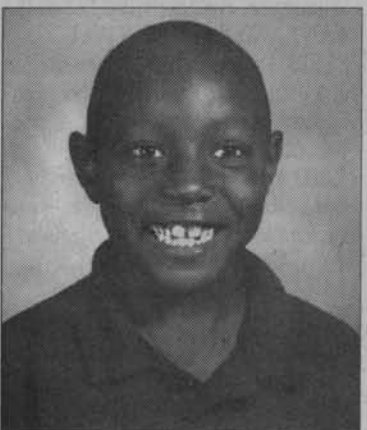
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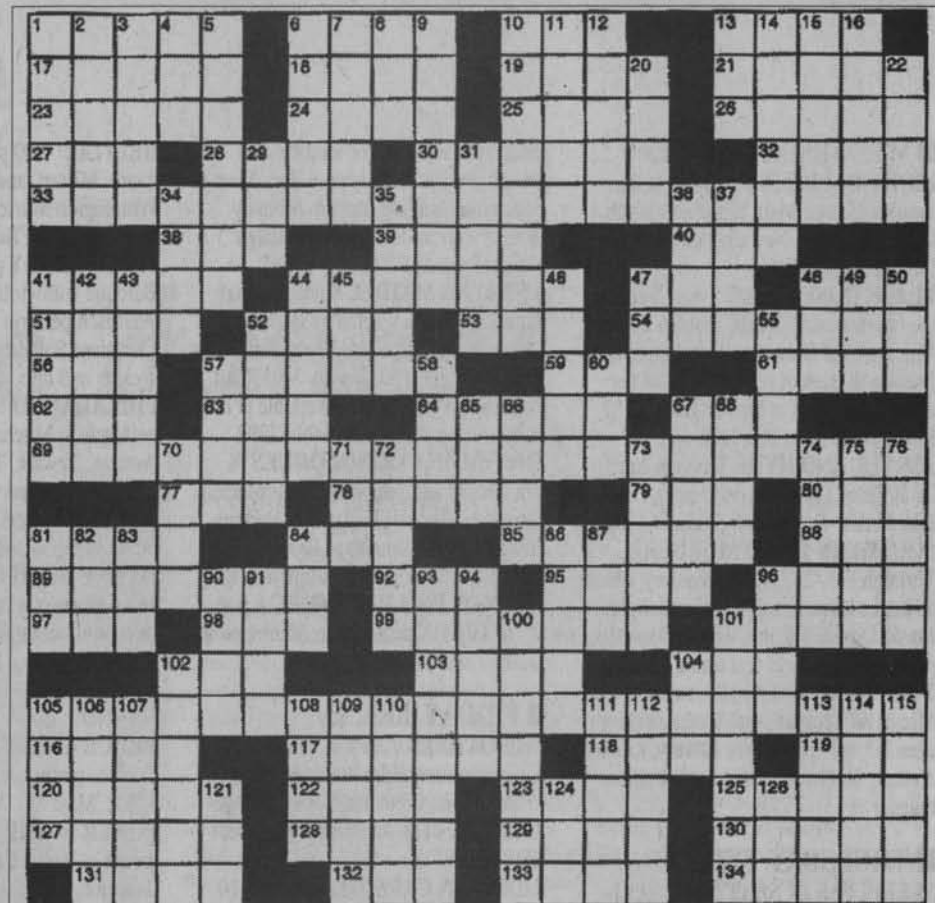


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Murray siblings get first honors

Chiara Murray, seventh grade, Charis Murray, third grade, and George E. Murray II, first grade, all made the first honor roll with all As at New Castle Baptist Academy. They are the children of George and Yulonda Murray of Newark.

Stanley new administrator at Country House

Mary Ann Stanley of Bear was appointed administrator of Methodist Country House, the PUMH continuing care retirement community on Kennett Pike in Greenville. Stanley

holds degrees in business administration from West Virginia University and in public business administration from the University of Delaware.

She served eight years as an officer in the U.S. Air Force, with four years experience as a navigator in the KC-135 aircraft and four years as commander of over 600 troops in the European theatre. She earned her Delaware Nursing Home Administrator license in 1999, and is presently a member of the board of examiners of Nursing Home Administrators.

She has worked for Country House for more than four years, most recently as administrator of the health center.

UD faculty receive emeritus status

Faculty members, Ivo Dominguez, Jayne Fernsler, Robert Kraft, Ann McNeil and John J. Pikulski, all of Newark, were named University of Delaware emeritus professors in recognition of their many years of distinguished service to the university. Nancy King of Santa Fe, New Mexico was also given emeritus status.

Rusinko makes dean's list

Leah C. Rusinko, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Rusinko of Newark, was included on the dean's list for the

fall term at Furman University in Greenville, S. C.

Morton graduates

Air Force Airman 1st Class Matthew D. Morton has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas.

Morton is the son of Julie Dunn-Morton of Newark. He is a 2001 graduate of Newark High School.

Bostic deployed

Army Private Herbert J. Bostic has deployed to a forward operating location to support Operation Noble Eagle, an anti-terrorism campaign within the continental United States.

Noble Eagle is the official name given to the homeland defense and civil support services provided by members of the U. S. military and civil support services provided by members of the U. S. military reserve components to guard and protect America, her shores and skies. Bostic is a military police assigned to the 118th Military Police Company in Fort Bragg in Fayetteville, N. C. He is the son of Herb J. Bostic of Newark and Vera L. Bemby of New Castle.

Peterson joins Army reserve

Nathaniel F. Peterson has joined the United States Army Reserve under the Delayed Training Program. He will qualify for a \$3,000 enlistment bonus. Peterson is the son of Lucinda L. and George E. Peterson of Newark and is a 2001 graduate of Glasgow High School. He will report to Fort Knox, Ky., for basic training.

Saint Mark's scholarships announced

Saint Mark's High School announced the local recipients of academic scholarships as a result of outstanding achievement on the high school placement test. They are: Sarah Burgess, Skyline Middle School; Christopher Castellano, Pike Creek Christian School; Ashley Fogelman, Holy Angels School; Kyle Frey, Pike Creek Christian School; Tara Furbush, Gauger Middle School; Kristen Jones, Skyline

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Krzykwa returns from deployment

Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Thomas Krzykwa, son of Jacqueline and Thomas F. Krzykwa of Newark, recently returned from a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf while assigned to the guided missile destroyer USS Stout, home ported in Portsmouth, Va.

Krzykwa was one of more than 10,000 Atlantic Fleet Sailors and Marines aboard the ships of the USS Enterprise Carrier Battle Group and USS Kearsarge Amphibious Ready Group.

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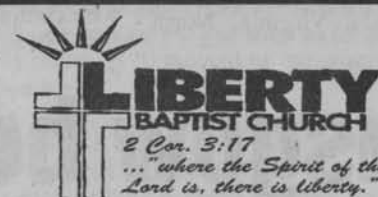


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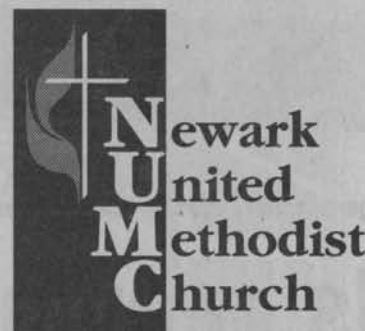
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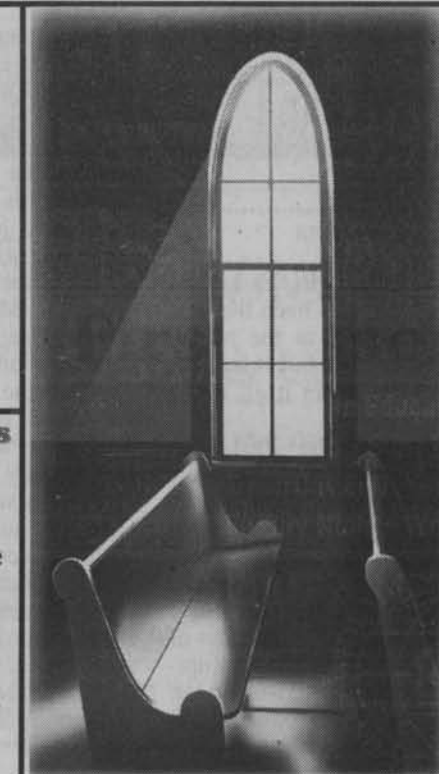
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POST GAME

St. Mark's, Hodgson wrestlers seek state crowns

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

The St. Mark's and Hodgson wrestling teams will go after state championships tonight in Dover — don't bet against either one of them winning.

The top-seeded Silver Eagles come into the state dual meet tournament with an 11-1 record and are seeking their sixth straight Division II title. They will take on Lake Forest (11-3) in one semifinal while second-seeded Smyrna (12-3) will face Middletown (13-1) in the other.

Smyrna and Middletown have strong teams this season, but it will be difficult for either one of them to compete with Hodgson.

St. Mark's, with a 6-5 dual-meet record, earned the top seed in Division I while undefeated and defending champion Caesar Rodney (14-0) is the second seed. The Spartans will face fourth-seeded Sussex



Valania

Spiese, Selk sign with Blue Hens

Pair highlights big UD class

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Newark High products Erec Spiese and Steve Selk headlined the University of Delaware football team's recruiting effort.

The Blue Hens signed 19 high school and junior college football standouts to NCAA National Letters of Intent to attend the University on an athletic scholarship.

The recruiting class, one of the largest in numbers and most widespread in terms of geography in recent history for Delaware, is loaded with outstanding prospects from throughout the East Coast and includes student-athletes from 10 different states.

The list includes seven players from Pennsylvania, four from Delaware, two from Georgia, and one each from New Jersey, New York, Florida, Virginia, North

Carolina, and Arizona.

Of the 19 players, four are projected as defensive backs, four as defensive linemen, three offensive linemen, three quarterbacks, three running backs, three linebackers, and one tight end. Of the 19 players, 14 earned at least some type of All-State recognition during his career.

The list also includes two junior college transfers in defensive linemen Brian Heavens (Valley Forge Military Academy in Pennsylvania) and Nick Iarrabino (Eastern Arizona JC). Both will have two years of eligibility at Delaware.

"I'm really looking forward to it," said Spiese, a first-team all-state quarterback for the five-time defending state champion Yellowjackets. "I feel I have a better opportunity to play sooner [at Delaware] than some other places. Hopefully, I'll be able to compete for playing time."

"It's also close to home and gives my family and friends an opportunity to see me play."

Spiese was a three-year starter who completed 76 of 161 passes for 1,016 yards and 13 touch-

downs with just three interceptions as a senior. He was also selected to play in Blue-Gold High School All-Star Game at Delaware Stadium in June.

Selk, an honor roll student, was ranked as the 50th best tight end in the nation by Rivals.com website. He was a three-time All-Blue Hen Conference selection at tight end and was second-team all-state as both a tight end and a defensive end his senior year. He also earned honorable mention All-State honors at defensive end as a junior in 2000. Selk caught 14 passes for 168 yards and two touchdowns and had 10 tackles for loss as a senior in 2001. The versatile athlete also earned first team All-State honors in baseball as a junior.

Selk was also offered scholarships by Virginia Tech, Syracuse, Rutgers and several other Division I-A schools.

"Being close to home was a big reason," said Selk of his decision to attend Delaware. "They want me to play tight end and they said I would have a chance

See HENS, 11 ▶

Snow signs with Penn State

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Two-time all-state fullback and linebacker Brandon Snow, of Newark (Del.) High, signed a letter of intent Wednesday to attend Penn State University.

Snow, a 6-2, 225 pounder, chose Penn State over Miami, Maryland, Virginia and Tennessee. He was one of the most highly recruited high school players in the country, ranked among the top 25 seniors by several national recruiting experts.

"It's a great school," Snow said of Penn State. "I have a great relationship with the coaches."

Snow, who announced his decision at a 9:30 a.m. press conference in the Newark High auditorium, took his official visit to Penn State the first weekend in December. The Nittany Lions, however, have been recruiting Snow for two years. He attended the emotional Purdue game his

junior year and was on hand for the Miami game this season. In addition, he attended the Penn State football camp the summer between his sophomore and junior years.

"Brandon was recruited very professionally by a number of schools," said Newark High football coach Butch Simpson. "It was my observation, however, that he had been developing a special relationship with Penn State and Coach Fran Ganter."

"One of the advantages Penn State has is its proximity. He got to go there for camp and for games. He felt it was the best place for him and that, ultimately, is really what young people should base their decisions on."

Snow impressed college recruiters with his blocking. His highlight tape, which was sent to dozens of big-time schools, was almost exclusively of him blocking.

"One coach at Florida told me when they were evaluating tapes from recruits they would always close the session with Brandon's

See SNOW, 11 ▶

Glasgow boys sprint past Christiana



Big second half lifts Dragons

By JOE BACKER

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

The Glasgow Dragons used some hot shooting and an airtight defense to turn a three-point half-time deficit into a 67-46 victory over Christiana Thursday night in

disastrous for the Vikings, as again Glasgow's defense held Christiana off the boards and away from the basket. The Dragons hustled up and down the court, scrambling and diving for loose balls. Glasgow also knocked down several three-pointers at the beginning of the final quarter, and the close game became a near runaway for the Dragons.

The Glasgow victory avenges an earlier Blue Hen conference

up against No. 5 William Penn (10-3) in the other. Despite its record, St. Mark's got the top seed based on its dominating performance in the Milford tournament in December plus it's grueling out-of-state schedule.

The Riders once again enter the tournament with an unblemished record and they have beaten Hodgson and Sussex Central. However, their schedule is not nearly as strong as St. Mark's and they didn't fare as well against the Spartans in tournaments both teams participated in.

This, though, is a dual meet and anything can happen. St. Mark's and CR should win their semis and lock up in a thrilling final.

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Semifinal action on four mats begins at 6 p.m. The finals are scheduled to begin at 7:45 p.m.

Tournament time

The dual-meet championship is just the first part of what is 10 days of the state's best wrestling.

The conference tournaments, which also serve as the qualifiers for the state individual tournament, are this weekend. The Blue Hen Conference tournament will be at William Penn while the Independent Schools Tournament will be at St. Elizabeth.

The top six place finishers from the Blue Hen and the Henlopen — as well as the top four from the Independent — will earn spots in next weekend's state tournament.

Speaking of the state tournament, it's a travesty that Delaware State University scheduled a men's and women's basketball doubleheader on Saturday, Feb. 23 — the originally scheduled date for the final day of the state tournament.

The state wrestling committee booked Delaware

See POST GAME, 11



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY SCOTT MCALLISTER

Glasgow's Eddie Royal goes in for a layup in the Dragons' victory over St. Mark's Saturday.

St. Mark's girls keep on the winning track

Spartans top St. E, Ursuline

By JOE BACKER

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

The St. Mark's girls basketball team may not have been the best team in Delaware at the beginning of the season, but it is making a strong case for itself at the moment.

Coming into the 2001-2002 season, the Lady Spartans brought four new starters into their lineup, most with minimal varsity experience, and a lot of questions about how this season would turn out. The team also faced the difficult challenge of trying to defend a state championship from last year. But, so far, so good, for coach John Fiorelli and his young Spartans team.

The Spartans are now 16-2, following easy victories over Catholic Conference rivals last week. On Tuesday night, the Spartans hosted an even younger and smaller St. Elizabeth team that features a number of sophomores and juniors on the roster and in the starting lineup.

St. Elizabeth's was unable to handle St. Mark's size and pressing defense, and fell behind by eight after one quarter, and trailed 31-15 at the half. The Spartans continued to play consistently during the second half and won rather easily 64-36.

Fiorelli said the squad played O.K., but added he was satisfied with the second team's efforts.

"The second team did a nice job of moving the ball around and running the offense, and played some solid, unselfish basketball tonight," he said.

The Spartan's junior guard Natalie Bizzarro was the top

scorer. She netted 12 points on the night, with all coming from three-point land. The Lady Vikings' Kim Joyce had six points, while Jen O'Conner and Syreeta Brown both collected five points apiece.

On Thursday night, the Spartans hosted another longtime rival Ursuline. Usually, these two teams are both among the tops in the state, but not this year for the very young Raiders. Ursuline, with a roster filled with freshman and sophomores, has won only two games this year, and had already lost to St. Mark's last month.

Call it a case of nerves or overconfidence, but the Spartans came out a little flat against Ursuline and trailed 8-5 after one period. But the Spartans tough defense continued to shut down the Raiders, holding them to single digits the rest of the way.

Thursday's game experienced

Glasgow's Harry Saunders and company began spreading the ball all over the court, and giving a number of different players a chance to take some open shots. The plan worked very well, as five different Dragon players scored in the period. An 18-4 run helped stake Glasgow to a 14-point lead, 51-37 lead after three quarters.

Christianiana's offense, which fell behind early, but kept chipping away at Glasgow, was held to only six points in the quarter. Glasgow's pressing defense and aggressive rebounding under both baskets limited Christianiana to only a handful of scoring opportunities, and very few second chances.

Christianiana coach Ron Hollis said it was like two different games.

"In the first half, we battled back, and finally took the lead just before half, but in the second half, they just took our game way, and outplayed us at both ends," he said.

The fourth quarter was also

9 *They just took our game away, and outplayed us at both ends."*

RON HOLLIS
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Dwight Burke had 16 points, but was held to only one point this time by the tenacious Glasgow defense.

Glasgow's Saunders led all scorers with 21 points on the night, including three three-pointers. He was helped out on offense by Eddie Royal with 10, S a m m y

Phouthisome added eight and Shannon Jones and Khyle Nelson each had seven points.

Christianiana was led in scoring by Nate Sanders who collected 16 points for the game.

Brian Greene chipped in with 14, while Marvin Rogers had seven and Ronnie Evans had six points for the Vikings.

Glasgow coach Don Haman said it was just overall a good night for the Dragons.

"We played one of our better games of the season tonight offensively and defensively. Hopefully we'll be able to keep playing like this the rest of the season," he said.

about a half-hour delay due to a fire alarm in the building, but proved to be a false alarm.

At halftime, St. Mark's turned the three-point deficit into a 20-15 lead as Bizzarro, Christine Armstrong and Jenna Logan began to find the range offensively.

The Spartans again turned on the defense in the third quarter, holding Ursuline to only two baskets, including a long-range buzzer beater by freshman Sara Williams at the end of the quarter.

St. Mark's had an unusual fourth quarter, as all of their points came from the foul line as Ursuline frantically tried to regain possession of the ball and preserve the clock.

But, the Spartans responded by knocking down 17 of 20 free throws for the quarter, and 21 of 26 for the game, and won easily, 46-29.

Williams was the leading scor-

er for Ursuline with 12 points. Sophomore Katie Mills added 11 for the 2-14 Raiders.

Ursuline coach Jeff Flanders said he thought his team could make a run at St. Mark's down the stretch.

"We were hoping we could outscore them, but they were red hot from the foul line, so I guess our strategy didn't work this time," he said.

Flanders said he was pleased his team is playing better now, than during the first half of the season.

Fiorelli said his team is gradually improving.

"We're also playing better now, but we're not where we want to be yet. A lot of our pre-season questions have been answered, but we'll know for sure when tournament time rolls around," he said.

Local players highlight UD class

► HENS, from 10

to contribute right away.

"Delaware also has a great business school, better than other schools I was looking at."

Selk plans to major in Business Administration.

Another local product heading to Delaware is Hodgson's Joe Cylc.

Cylc was a four-year starter at linebacker for the Silver Eagles and was a first-team all-state selection his senior year. He also helped lead Hodgson to its first-ever state tournament. In addition to playing linebacker, Cylc was an honorable mention all-state performer at fullback where he scored 21 touchdowns and was fourth in the state in scoring this past fall. He is a National Honor Society member and will also play in the Blue-Gold game in June.

Delaware is coming off a 4-6 season in 2001, the first sub .500 season for the Blue Hens since 1987. The Blue Hens return three starters on offense and seven on defense. Among the major holes to fill are those at running back and offensive line. Several players from this year's freshman class could be counted on to play as true freshmen.

"This is certainly one of the largest and most diverse recruiting classes that we have brought here," said Delaware head coach Tubby Raymond, who captured his 300th career victory this past season and will begin his 37th season at the helm of the Blue Hens for the 2002 season.

"We have expanded our recruiting base in the south which has paid off with some outstanding prospects from Georgia, Florida, and North Carolina, and locally, we are fortunate to have four players from a strong senior class here in the state of Delaware joining us. Virtually all the prospects have earned All-State recognition at some point in their careers and we expect several players to help us immediately. Two of our top priorities were to provide added depth at the quarterback position behind (sophomore starter) Mike Connor and add some big men on both sides of the line and we accomplished both. We are very pleased."

Additional recruits include Blake Anderson (Offensive Line - Atlanta, Ga./Lakeside HS - 6-3, 235), Roger Brown (Defensive Back - Charlottesville, Va./Albemarle HS - 5-11, 175); Ryan Carty (Quarterback -

Branchburg, NJ/Somerville HS - 5-11, 185); Scott Conley (Offensive Line - Marietta, Ga./McEachern HS - 6-4, 250); Brian Heavens (Defensive End - Media, Pa./Valley Forge Military Academy/Malvern Prep HS - 6-3, 250); Nick Iarrobino (Defensive Line - Scottsdale, Ariz./Chaparral HS/Eastern Arizona JC - 6-2, 240); Jeb Keller (Offensive Line - Waynesboro, Pa./Waynesboro HS - 6-2, 270); Niquan Lee (Running Back - Lancaster, Pa./McCaskey HS - 6-0, 215); Robert Longoria (Defensive Back - Ft. Myers, FL/Ft. Myers HS - 5-10, 190); Mike Mailey (Defensive Line - Berwyn, Pa./St. Joseph's Prep - 6-4, 245); Jesse Makowski (Defensive End - Millsboro, Del./Sussex Central HS - 6-3, 225); Brad Michael (Quarterback - Apex, N.C./Southeast Raleigh HS - 6-4, 190); Tom Parks (Linebacker/Defensive Line - Pittsburgh, Pa./North Allegheny HS - 6-3, 230); John Russ (Defensive Back - Honeoye Falls, N.Y./Honeoye Falls-Lima HS - 6-1, 180); Brent Steinmetz (Halfback - Pottsgrove, Pa./Pottsgrove HS - 5-10, 180) and Zach Thomas (Running Back/Defensive Back - Lansdale, Pa./North Penn HS - 6-0, 178).

DelState messes up wrestling tourney

► POST GAME, from 10

State nearly 10 months ago. Two weeks ago, somebody at Delaware State realized basketball games were also scheduled.

The state wrestling tournament is always at Delaware

State. This was not a surprise. How this can happen is mind boggling.

Even worse, is that Delaware State won't change the date of the basketball games.

So now the tournament will be on Friday and Sunday. The

off day will cause problems for weigh-ins and hotel accommodations.

Delaware State is a perfect location for the tournament. However, if it is going to be treated like this, maybe it's time to re-evaluate.

per sessions. The first session will be from 9-11 a.m. The second will be from noon to 2 p.m.

For more information, contact Jerry Grasso at 302-225-6224.

BRIEFS

Softball clinic at Goldey Beacom

The Goldey Beacom College softball team will be holding a clinic Feb. 16 at Goldey Beacom's MBNA America Hall for girls ages 9-16.

The clinic will focus on the fundamentals of hitting, throwing, catching, defensive skills

Youth baseball league

The City of Newark will be sponsoring youth t-ball for boys and girls ages 6-7, Colt baseball (pitching machine) for ages 8-9 and Pony baseball for boys 10-12. For registration information,

Brookside Baseball registration

The Brookside Baseball League will be holding registration on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 3 p.m. at the Brookside candy stand on Marrows Rd.

There will also be registrations Wednesday, Feb. 20 from 6-8 p.m. at the Marrows Rd. location.

LOCAL YOUTH WRESTLING RESULTS

Oxford Wrestling Tournament

Feb. 9, 2002
at Lincoln University

Holy Angels

Tot 63: Anthony Kaminski 1
Bantam 50: Michael Valania 1
Bantam 55: Tyler Pendergast 2
Bantam 70: Logan Daviston 2
Midget 60: Brandon Davis 2
Midget 85: Marc Williams 4
Midget 110: Chris Shaw 3
Junior 65: Chris Keech 3
Junior 65: Matt Bradley 4
Junior 80: Ryan Goodman 4
Junior 105: Luke Rubertus 1
Junior HWT: Jamie Otlowski 4
Intermediate 105: Luke Rubertus 2
Intermediate 150: Jamie Otlowski 4

Intermediate 165: Caleb Reeves 2
Intermediate HWT: Michael Cochran 4

St. John the Beloved

Midget 75: Robbie DeMasi 2
Midget 90: Corey Olsen 3
Midget 95: Mark Fox 1
Midget 100: Bobby Telford 1
Junior 80: Vinnie Shaw 2
Intermediate 78: Matt Turtle 2
Intermediate 115: Andrew Bradley 1
Intermediate 115: Chris Lex 4
Intermediate 125: Greg Cross 4

St. Peter's

Tot 40: Kyle Reaume 2
Tot 50: Daulton Gregory 2
Tot 50: David Sills 3
Bantam 60: Richie Reed 4
Bantam HWT: Josh Snook 1

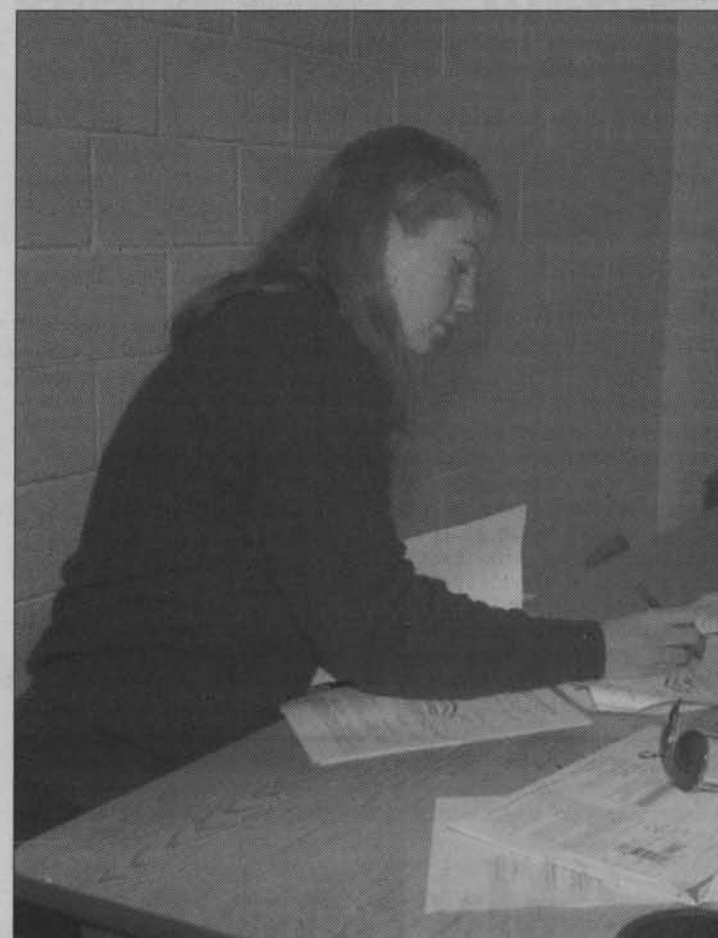
Bantam HWT: Alex Zwier 3
Midget 110: Tyler Snook 1
Junior 105: Josh DeFlippis 3

St. Elizabeth

Tot 40: Michael Vietri 3
Tot 50: Andy Goldne 1
Tot 56: Dane Diksa 4
Bantam 70: Dakota Diksa 3
Bantam 75: Mike Mauk 1
Bantam 75: Jim Custer 3
Bantam HWT: James Gibson 4
Midget 60: Chris Witte 1
Midget 65: Zach Cook 1
Junior 85: Zach Craighton 4
Junior 90: Eli Norvell 1
Junior 90: Nick Tiberi 4
Junior 100: Orlando Colon 2
Intermediate 83: Tommy Abbott 1
Intermediate 95: Eli Norvell 2
Intermediate HWT: Kenny Zell 1

CARAVEL'S TOKAR TO ATTEND UD

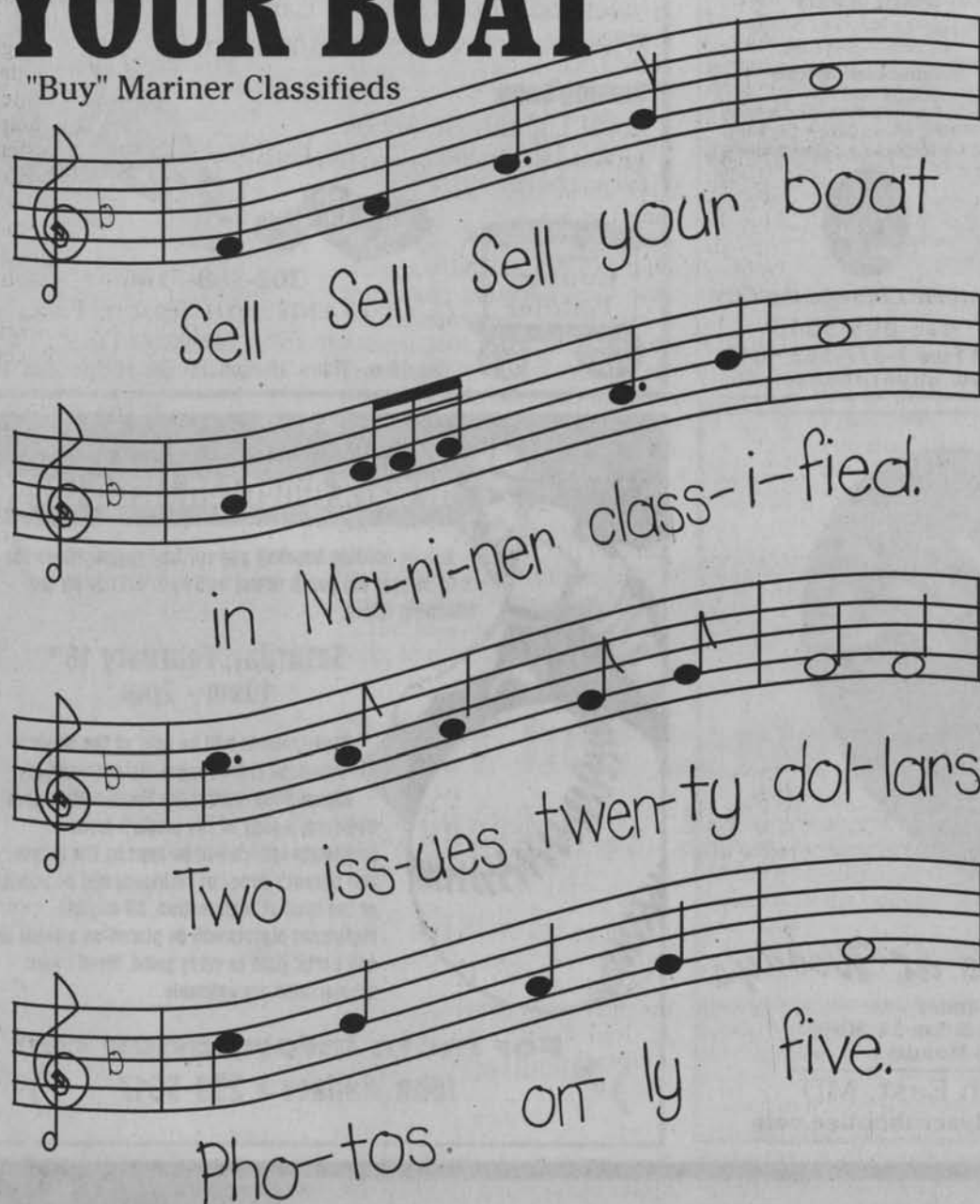
Caravel Academy's Nancy Tokar signed a letter of intent to attend the University of Delaware on a field hockey scholarship. Tokar, a goalkeeper, was a second-team all-state selection. She has played on the Bucs' varsity field hockey team since she was in eighth grade. Tokar is also the starting catcher on the Bucs' state champion softball team.



Delaware men fall at Drexel

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scored a career-high 33 points, including a school-record six three-pointers in the first half, but it was not enough as Drexel had six players in double-figures and held off several runs for a 95-89 Colonial Athletic Association victory Saturday afternoon at Drexel.

Ames scored 21 of his points in the first half, 18 of which came on six three-point shots to set a new UD record. Mike Pegues and Tyrone Perry had previously hit five three-pointers in a half. It was also the first time a Blue Hen had scored 20 points in a half since Pegues' 24 in a win over American on Nov. 27, 1999.

Eric Schmieder led Drexel in scoring and had a triple-double. Schmieder's 19 points, 12 rebounds and 10 assists made for the Dragons' first triple-double in 15 years. Schmieder was 14-of-17 from the free throw line.

Ames, the CAA Player of the Week last week, finished the game 11-of-18 from the field and 7-of-13 from three-point range.

a 26-14 lead midway through the first half. Ames, however, scored 11 straight points to pull Delaware within 35-31 with 6:21 to play in the first half. Three minutes later, Ames knocked down his sixth three-pointer to pull the Hens within 39-38.

However, Drexel would go on a 13-3 run to close the first half to take a 52-41 lead. Delaware got back to within five points at 58-53 on a Mike Slattery drive with 12:23 remaining. Again, though, the Dragons, who are now 6-0 in home conference games this season, moved the lead back to double-digits. Phil Goss' three-point shot gave Drexel a 79-68 lead.

Delaware (10-13, 6-7) would not go away, though. Austen Rowland's three-pointer with 1:28 remaining pulled Delaware within 90-84. Rowland, however, missed a three-pointer on Delaware's next possession and Drexel connected on 9-of-10 free throws over the final 2:51, including 5-of-6 by Schmieder to put the game away.

George Mason

Junior forward Jesse Young powered inside for game-highs of 19 points and eight rebounds as George Mason controlled the inside game and posted a 69-57 Colonial Athletic Association men's basketball victory over host University of Delaware Wednesday night at the Bob Carpenter Center.

The 6-10 Young connected on 9 of 12 shots from the field for his 19 points and fellow junior forward Jon Larranaga added 13 points as the Patriots (13-7, 7-4) won their second straight game and moved into sole possession of second place in the CAA standings. George Mason avenged an 83-56 loss to Delaware Dec. 22 in Fairfax, VA. Young scored just seven points in that outing.

Sophomore forward Sean Knitter came off the bench to lead Delaware with 12 points while sophomore guard Mike Ames added 11 points.

Two Jackets sign Division I-A

► SNOW, from 10

because it was so good," said Simpson.

Snow, who runs a 4.5 40, could play fullback, linebacker or tailback at Penn State.

"They want me to try tailback at first," said Snow, who plans to major in communications. "In the Big 10, big backs have been successful — like T.J. Duckett and Ron Dayne. If that doesn't work out, I always have fullback."

Penn State coach Joe Paterno was scheduled to come to Newark last Friday but his flight was canceled due to heavy fog

and high winds.

That the legendary coach couldn't make it turned out not to make a difference for Snow, who had already made up his mind several weeks ago.

As it turned out, Miami was Snow's second choice with Maryland also being in the mix. He was scheduled to make a visit to Florida, but coach Steve Spurrier resigned that same week and Snow never went to Gainesville.

Wiggins to Buffalo

Kevin Wiggins, the state's top

lineman, was the other Yellowjacket to sign with a Division I-A school.

Wiggins inked a Letter of Intent to play at the University of Buffalo. Buffalo is fairly new to the I-A scene, only having been playing at the level for three years.

"The opportunity to play I-A was a big reason," Wiggins said of his decision. "I also wanted to go away from home." Wiggins was also recruited by Delaware State, Fordham and Howard.

CITY OF NEWARK DELAWARE CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE FEBRUARY 25, 2002 - 7:30 PM

Pursuant to Section 402.2 of the City Charter of the Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, notice is hereby given of a public hearing at a regular meeting of the Council in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Building, 220 Elkton Road, Newark, Delaware, on February 25, 2002 at 7:30 p.m., at which time the Council will consider for Final Action and Passage the following proposed Ordinance:

BILL 02-06 - At Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Administration, By Revising the Minimum Standards Regarding the Recruitment of Police Officers

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NEWARK POST ❖ OBITUARIES

Jane Ann Reynolds, secretary at UD

Newark resident Jane Ann Reynolds died on Thursday, Dec. 20, 2001.

Mrs. Reynolds, 46, was a graduate of Christiana High School. She had been a secretary with the University of Delaware Center for Alcohol and Drug Studies, retiring in 1997 after five years of service.

She is survived by her daughter, Ashley E. Reynolds of Cudjoe Key, Fla.; mother, Betty J. Reynolds of Newark; one sister; two nieces; and a nephew.

Services were private.

Emmett Williams, worked at Capriotti's

Newark area resident Emmett "Twin" Williams died on Friday, Dec. 21, 2001.

Mr. Williams, 33, worked at Capriotti's sub shop in Eden Circle Shopping Center for almost five years.

He is survived by his father, James Archie; siblings, Evet Williams, Nanette Snow, Kevin Mitchell, Brian Burke, and Adella, Timothy, Marcus, Jeremy, Edward and James LeCompte; grandmother, Emma Williams; and several aunts and uncles.

Service and burial was held at the Old Forte U.A.M.E. Church on Old Baltimore Pike in Newark.

Annis L. Gabor, worked at Continental Diamond Fibre

Newark resident Annis L. Gabor died on Saturday, Dec. 22, 2001.

Mrs. Gabor, 68, began her career as a secretary for the former Continental Diamond Fibre and the former M and M Cleaners. She later worked at the University of Delaware for Paul Hodgson, for whom Hodgson Vo-Tech High School was named. Mrs. Gabor retired from food service in the Christina School District. She previously taught Sunday School at Christiana United Methodist Church.

She is survived by her husband, Klemens Gabor; children, Katherine

L. Sabrowskie and her husband Edward of Bear, and Steven M. Gabor of Newark; and six grandchildren.

Services were held at the Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home in Newark. Interment was in Hickory Grove Cemetery Port Penn.

Evelyn J. Dutcher, 95

Newark area resident Evelyn J. Dutcher died on Saturday, Dec. 22, 2001.

Mrs. Dutcher, 95, was a resident of Millcroft and formerly of Foulk Manor North in Wilmington, where she had been a longer resident than any other resident or staff member.

She was a homemaker and an active member of St. Stephen's Lutheran Church in Wilmington for many years. She had been a member of the junior board of Riverside Hospital in Wilmington, and a Brownie Scout leader during her daughter's youth. She moved to Millcroft in September 2001.

She is survived by her daughter, Dixie Scocas and her husband Albert G. of Elkton, Md.; and two grandchildren and their families.

Services were held at the chapel of Gracelawn Memorial Park in New Castle. Interment was in the adjoining memorial park.

Angeline E. Morris, was corrections officer

Newark resident Angeline E. Paladinetti Morris died on Monday, Dec. 24, 2001.

Mrs. Morris, 87, had been a corrections officer with the Delaware Correctional Center in Smyrna, retiring in 1975 after 25 years of service.

She is survived by her children, Rudolph Paladinetti, Anthony Paladinetti and his wife Mildred, Albert Paladinetti and his wife Patricia, and Carolyn DiMauro, all of New Castle; step-children, Louis Morris and his wife Charlotte, Robert Morris and his wife Thelma, and Paul Morris; daughters-in-law, Eleanor Paladinetti and Ann Morris; former son-in-law, Frank DiMauro; 18 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Services were held at Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home in New

Castle. Interment was in Cathedral Cemetery in Wilmington.

Willie Lee Mercer, member Senior Center

Newark resident Willie Lee "Billie" Mercer died on Tuesday, Dec. 25, 2001.

Mrs. Mercer, 78, was born in West Virginia. She was a resident of Possum Hollows Road in Newark most of her adult life. She was an avid gardener and a member of the Newark Senior Center.

She is survived by her niece, Cathie Hendrickson of Elkton, Md., and the Hendrickson family.

Service and burial was in Ebenezer Cemetery in Newark.

Beatrice D. Campbell, typist at DuPont

Newark resident Beatrice Dixon Campbell died on Wednesday, Dec. 26, 2001.

Mrs. Campbell, 89, was a clerk typist at DuPont Louviers in Newark, retiring in 1973 after 31 years of service. She was a former resident of Belford Manor.

She is survived by her son, Kenneth W. Campbell of Newark; sister, Vera Morris of Elsmere; one grandson; and a niece, Lois Johnson of Wilmington, who helped care for her.

Services were held at McCrery Memorial Chapel in Wilmington. Interment was in the Hockessin Friends Cemetery.

Myra A. Braune, worked for Citicorp

Former Newark resident Myra A. Braune died on Wednesday, Dec. 26, 2001.

Mrs. Braune, 71, was employed in lock box operations with Citicorp, retiring in 1995 after 10 years of service.

She is survived by her children, Steven L. Braune of Midlothian, Va., and Myra B. "Missy" Clanton of Prince George, Va.; and five grandchildren. Services and interment were private.

Catherine B. Grimes, 90

Newark resident Catherine B. Grimes died on Wednesday, Dec. 26, 2001.

Miss Grimes, 90, was a resident of the Jeanne Jugan Residence at Little Sisters of the Poor in Newark.

She was formerly a member of St. Gabriel's Parish in south Philadelphia, Pa., and the St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Springfield, Pa. In both parishes she was very active in various activities.

For 25 years she was a clerk at Claflin's shoe store in Philadelphia, Pa. Miss Grimes was in the first graduating class of West Catholic High School where she stayed active in the alumnus. For many years, she volunteered in the guild of Little Sisters of the Poor.

She is survived by her brother, James and his wife Mary; and many nieces, grand-nieces, nephews, and grand-nephews.

Services were at the Jeanne Jugan Residence at Little Sisters of the Poor in Newark. Interment was in the Holy Cross Cemetery in Yeadon, Pa.

Vera Mae McLaughlin Wood, silk finisher, seamstress

Newark resident Vera Mae McLaughlin Wood died on Wednesday, Dec. 26, 2001.

Mrs. Wood, 83, was a silk finisher and seamstress.

She was an usher and member of the Pilgrim Baptist Church and a member of the Daughters of Elks Elizabeth Boulden Temple #269, all of Newark. She attended public schools and finished her education at A&T College, all in North Carolina.

She is survived by her daughter, Vera W. Ransom Anderson; sons, Leon Wood Jr. and Joseph Wood; 30 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; one great-great granddaughter; three daughters-in-laws; her special friends, Evelyn Williams, Steve Lane, and Lil Williams; and several other family members.

Services were held at The House of Wright Mortuary in Wilmington.

Gertrude H. Miller, 101

Newark resident Gertrude H. Miller died on Thursday, Dec. 27, 2001.

Miss Miller, 101, was the eldest resident living in the Churchman Village Atrium. She was born in Newark. She went to school all her life in Delaware. She attended Goldey College. On June 1, 1918, she went to work at the University of Delaware where she was a secretary in the Agricultural Extension Office until retiring in 1951. Miss Miller was a season ticket holder for the University of Delaware Football

team for 30 years, then listened to every game on the radio, including this season.

She is survived by her cousin, Margaret Munch; and 13 other cousins from the Pittsburgh area.

Services were held at R. T. Foard and Jones Funeral Home in Newark. Burial was in the Newark Cemetery.

Christopher J. Riley, Newark High junior

Newark resident Christopher J. Riley died on Thursday, Dec. 27, 2001.

Mr. Riley, 17, was a junior at Newark High School, where he enjoyed soccer and lacrosse. He also enjoyed music.

He is survived by his parents, James F. and Anne Riley; brother, Joshua, and sister, Melissa, both at home; paternal grandparents, James S. and Olga Riley of Wilmington; and maternal grandmother, Margaret Sombar of Milford.

Services were held at the St. Michael's Orthodox Church in Wilmington and at the McCrery Memorial Chapel. Burial was in All Saints Cemetery in Wilmington.

Robert W. Wiltbank, worked for W. L. Gore

Newark resident Robert W. Wiltbank died on Friday, Dec. 28, 2001.

Mr. Wiltbank, 79, was an avid photographer. After being discharged from the U. S. Army Air Force in 1944, Mr. Wiltbank worked in graphic arts and printing in the tri-state area. He joined W. L. Gore and Associates in 1964, where he continued his career during the early years and growth of the company, until his retirement in 1979. He then created his own advertising agency, APR, Limited, and was active in that business until 1989.

A lifelong photographer, he was a member of the Delaware Camera Club for many years and was a founding member of the Newark Camera Club.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Sue Thomas Wiltbank; daughter, Marsh Wiltbank Uebler and her husband E. Alan Uebler; one grandson; cousin, Catherine C. Thomas; five step grandchildren; and one step great-granddaughter.

Services were held at the Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home in Newark. Interment was private.

John Joseph Crumlish IV, St. Mark's senior

Newark resident John Joseph Crumlish IV died on Friday, Dec. 28, 2001, as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

Mr. Crumlish, 17, was a senior at St. Mark's High School and a member of Holy Angels church.

He is survived by his parents, Sharon and John J. Crumlish III; sisters, Jennifer and Andrea; paternal grandfather, John J. Crumlish Jr. of Wilmington; maternal grandparents, James and Sadie Marie Rogers of Elkton, Md.; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Services were held at Holy Angels Church in Newark. Interment was in All Saints Cemetery in Wilmington.

Betty L. Perry, great-grandmother

Newark resident Betty L. Perry died on Sunday, Dec. 29, 2001.

Mrs. Perry, 65, was a homemaker. She enjoyed playing cards.

She is survived by her husband of 35 years, William T. Perry Jr.; children, John Olah of Newark, Kenneth Drake of Newark, Jerome "Tim" Scafe of Nottingham, Pa., and Loretta Buckland of Chesapeake City, Md.; brothers, Jerry Scafe of Elkton, Md., and John Stevens of South Bowers Beach; and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Services were held at Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home in Newark. Interment was in Fremont Cemetery in Nottingham, Pa.

Andrea M. Holt, member of church in Elkton

Newark resident Andrea M. Holt died on Dec. 30, 2001.

Mrs. Holt, 47, was a member of Glorious Presence Church of Elkton, Md.

She is survived by her husband, Stephen D. Holt; sons, Austin and Douglas; daughter, Tracey, all at home; father, Frank Cario of Newark; and brothers, Tom Cario of Rising Sun, Md., and Frank Cario of Greenwood.

Services were held at the McCrery Memorial Chapel in Wilmington. Interment was in Ebenezer United Methodist Church Cemetery.

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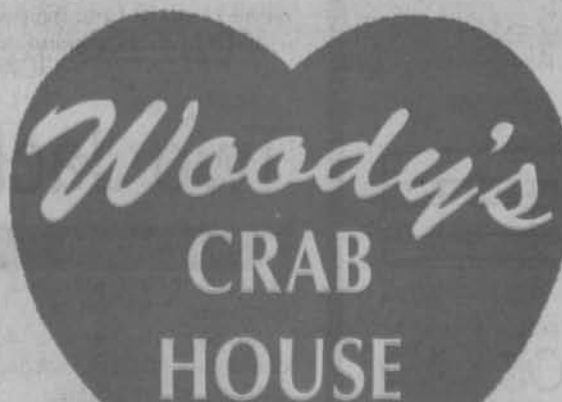
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