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By JIM STREIT NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

7ITH our children out of the house, my wife, Linda, and I are struggling with downsizing. It's not a pressing issue, but we know that in 32 years of marriage, we have accumulated many things.

Most of these possessions are unused. Many are boxed up and haven't been touched

in years. We admit that some items are no longer needed but we have not yet reached the point where we can part with them. A lot of our stuff is com-

Streit prised of tools, supplies, gad-

gets, personal papers, cloth-ing and the like that we think we may need again and thus are hesitate to cast aside.

It is me, not Linda, who is the pack rat. I've hardly ever thrown anything away (even though I can never find what I want when I need it).

Somewhere in those boxes in the attic that are sealed with tape so old that it's dry-rotted are my 8th grade compositions, my Lionel .027 train set, ticket stubs from Chicago concerts, and love notes that Linda and I passed back and forth in the early days of our flirting.

Then there's my camera collection, my mug collection from my Boy Scouts days (mine and my father's that I inherited after his passing) and my massive music col-See UP FRONT, 7



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and TIND rain couldn't dampen the spirits of crowds that enjoyed Newark's first Wine and Dine Downtown event on Saturday, April 2. Heavy rains early Saturday failed to deter crowds. Visitors came down-

town to the 12 participating restaurants for a sip from select vineyards and a taste from local chefs.

Bob Ashby, owner of the Deer Park Tavern, said that even though the weather was gloomy, the event was still a success

"We probably did have a few people who didn't come out because of the weather," See WINE, 24 ►



Top: Samantha Kwiatkowski, a server at the **Deer Park** Tavern, pours a white wine for visitors to the historic facility during the wineand-dine event. Left, Debbie Chien. Helen Chan. Kevin O'Brien and Lauren Wagner, left to right, enjoy spirits and fellowship Saturday night at the Iron Hill Brewery.

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Polls open Tuesday

Challenges in two city districts to be decided by voters April 12

By KAYTIE DOWLING

..... NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

NE race is decided but two Newark City Council seats are up for grabs Tuesday. Polls open at 7 a.m. April 12 for residents of Districts 2 and 4 to cast their ballots.

The District 1 chair being vacated by the incumbent John Farrell drew only one candidate, Paul Pomeroy, who will be sworn in with winners in Tuesday's balloting. To date, the District 2 contest has

proven to be an interesting race. In March, just a few days before the filing See ELECTION, 12

Soldier gone, his legacy continues

By KAYTIE DOWLING

. NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

HE late Cpl. Stephen McGowan would have been proud.

A stack of Beanie Babies 3,000 high, a veritable plush zoo, was collected in the Newark resident's memory, forming the most unusual obelisk.

The stuffed animals will now travel half-way around the world to the streets of Iraq, just where McGowan would want them to be. There, they will find new homes in the hands of Iraqi children.

During his tour of duty, McGowan, a combat medic, had a few rare opportunities to reach out to local children.

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Explosions at Chrysler plant lead to arrest

EWARK Police, Aetna Hose Hook and Ladder and the Delaware State Police Explosive Ordinance Disposal Unit were summoned to the Mopar Distribution Plant, next to the DaimlerChrysler Assembly Plant on South College Avenue, on Tuesday, March 30, where several explosions took place as a result of "improvised explosive devices.

Officials reported that at 8:55 a.m., approximately eight employees from the first shift were in the break-room when there was an explosion in the ceiling above them, causing ceiling tiles to rain down on the employees.

According to the police reports, four employees were reported to have minor injures, including sore necks, severe headaches, ringing in the ears and dizziness, and were transported to the DaimlerChrysler Medical Treatment Center.

Other employees were then evacuated and police units were called.

While the plant security manager was taking photographs of the damages to the ceiling, another explosion occurred approximately 10 minutes later, a blast strong enough to knock the manager to the floor, police said.

According to the Newark Police report, fans in the warehouse area had recently been cleaned using dry ice. Some employees had been seen filling soda bottles with dry ice to make mini-bombs.

When dry ice is put in closed containers, gases build up and will cause an explosion with a loud bang, followed by a concussive blast and no fire.

Fragments of plastic soda bottles were found on the floor of the break-room following the blasts, police said.

Following a Newark Police investigation, Daniel R. Zeno, 27, of Bear, was arrested for his involvement in the explosions. He was charged with possession of an incendiary device and reckless endangering first degree. He appeared before Justice of the Peace Court Two and was released after posting \$8,000 bail.

Newark Police are continuing their investigation into the explosions. Anyone with information should contact Detective Paul Keld at 366-7110 ext. 136 or anonymously through Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 where a reward is available.

NEWARK POST * POLICE BLOTTER

two-month old puppy has been A returned safely to its owner and a suspected abductor has

been arrested, state police said. On March 24, a patron to the Christiana Mall parked his vehicle in the parking lot of Ruby Tuesdays at 719 Christiana Mall Road.

The driver left his 2-month-old Labrador Retriever puppy in the vehicle with the window partially open. When he returned to his car, the owner discovered that the dog was missing.

Through investigation, Delaware State Police obtained a fingerprint, which had been left at the scene. The print was forwarded to the State Bureau of Identifications and the fingerprint was linked to Joshua Fosmire, 19, of Dover, who was charged with misdemeanor theft. He was arraigned at Magistrate Court 2 and released on \$500 unsecured bond.

The puppy was located and returned to its owner.

Four rob jewelry store

Puppy

home

safely,

arrest

made

The Delaware State Police Robbery Squad is investigating a morning robbery in which four assailants fled with jewelry from a local store on Friday, April 1.

Police said that at approxi-mately 11:18 a.m., four men entered the Van Scoy Diamond Mine, 1117 Churchmans Road, Newark. One of the suspects displayed a handgun and ordered the employees to the back of the store. The other robbers then began smashing the display cases with hammers and removed jewelry, it was reported to police.

After removing an undisclosed amount of jewelry, the four fled. They were last seen exiting the parking lot in a dark blue sedan traveling towards I-95, police said.

The suspects are described as four black males wearing dark hooded clothing.

Anyone with information

Weekly crime report STATISTICS FOR MARCH. 20-27, 2005 COMPILED BY NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

	INV	ESTIGATIO	NS	CRIMINAL CHARGES							
PART I OFFENSES	2004 TO DATE	2005 TO DATE	THIS WEEK	2004 TO DATE	2005 TO DATE	THIS					
Murder/manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Attempted murder	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Kidnap	1	0	0	0	1	0					
Rape	7	4	0	. 0	0	0					
Unlawful sexual contact	1	2	0	0	2	0					
Robbery	18	14	2	15	6	0					
Aggravated assault	9	6	0	5	0	0					
Burglary	40	49	4	20	9	0					
Theft	220	209	22	59	69	5					
Auto theft	24	29	2	3	2	0					
Arson	3	1	0	2	0	0					
All other		10	0		34	0					
TOTAL PART I	323	324	30	104	123	5					

PART II OFFENSES									
Other assaults	84	104	9	77	69	9			
Receiving stolen property	0	0	0	2	7	0			
Criminal mischief	165	169	15	100	15	3			
Weapons	5	4 0 30 18		4 0	0 30	18	0		
Other sex offenses	1	4	0	0	5	0			
Alcohol	100	67	9	217	111	17			
Drugs	23	30	3	61	1 71				
Noise/disorderly premise	154	166	14	71	71	74	1		
Disorderly conduct	216	172	14	50	39	8			
Trespass	45	45	7	22	24	1			
All other	183	144	8	86	34	1			
TOTAL PART II	976	905	79	716	467	50			
MISCELLANEOUS									
Alarm	347	350	21	0	0	0			
Animal control	450	80	9	5	0	0			
Recovered property	60	52	4	0	0	0			
Service	2160	2117	165	0	0	0			
Suspicious person/vehicle	237	558	17	0	0	0			
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS	2954	3157	216	5	0	0			

THIS WEEK 2004 2004 TO DATE THIS WEEK 2005 2005 TO DATE TOTAL CALLS 549 7120 585 6990

about the robbery is urged to contact State Police Detectives at 834-2620, ext. 4 or Crime Stoppers at 800-TIP-3333.

Newarker hit with forgery, theft charges

Investigators from the Delaware State Police Financial Crimes Unit recently received information from the owner of a kitchen design company regarding a theft complaint.

The owner informed investigators that the suspect, who is responsible for bookkeeping for the business, was allegedly writing checks for her own personal use, totaling more than \$41,000, police said.

Based on information that was obtained through the investigation, the Financial Crimes Unit executed a search warrant at the suspect's residence, located in the 900 block of Alexandria Drive. The warrant was executed on Tuesday, March 29, at 2 p.m. and a suspect was taken into custody without incident.

Detectives have charged Michele L. Cox, 34, of Newark, with 19 counts of forgery, three counts of felony theft, and one count of misdemeanor theft.

Cox was arraigned at Magistrate Court 2 and released on an unsecured bond.

Magazine scam

Two Newark residents lost their money when magazine sellers came to call.

According to Newark Police reports, two men were selling magazine subscriptions at the Pinebrook Apartments, Wharton Drive, on Wednesday, March 30, at approximately 5 p.m. When the resident of one apartment decided to purchase a subscription, he laid his wallet on the sofa beside him while he wrote a check. He told police he and his fiance were momentarily distracted when the sellers showed an interest in his guitars.

After the magazine sellers left, the resident discovered his wallet was missing, police said.

It was also later discovered that the magazine subscription company, Palmetto Marketing Inc., of Coral Springs, Fla., is listed as a fraudulent company.

Identity theft

Newark Police were notified by a resident of the unit block of South Dillwyn Road in Windy Hills that someone had used his personal information to try to open credit card and cell phone accounts.

On Tuesday, March 29, the victim notified police that he had received a bill from Sprint for \$157 and a credit card from Juniper Bank that had been opened in his name without his knowledge, police said.

The victim then notified three major credit card agencies that

Aston Pointe wells fall short of requirement

But developer says he'll get more water than he needs

By SCOTT GOSS

............................... SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

ELKTON, MD. - The wouldbe developer of a 300-home community in Maryland north of Elkton and Newark can't prove that wells on his property can provide the 400,000 gallons of water a day that the county commissioners say he needs.

But Newark resident William Stritzinger says he can prove he has enough water for the proposed Aston Pointe community, with enough left over to significantly reduce the county's reliance on a private water source.

"The county needs new water sources and I've got the water to give them," Stritzinger said April 4. "They can either take the water I've got or they can demand I provide more water, in which case I'll have to examine my options."

Stritzinger's comments would appear to end months of specula-

Complications with the Aston Pointe project in Cecil County could end the land swap plan approved early this year by members of the Newark **County Club. "We're** not going anywhere if there's not a development down the street with a golf course in it," Joe Burden, manager of the Newark **Country Club, said** Wednesday.

tion over whether he can meet the 400,000 gallon a day that the Cecil County, Md., Commissioners set as a minimal requirement last January

At the time, the county commissioners said Stritzinger would have to get the Maryland Department of the Environment to verify that amount of water could be safely drawn from his

property. Only then would the Cecil commissioners agree to hear Stritzinger's request to include the proposed Aston Pointe community in the public sewer service area.

Stritzinger began testing the wells on his 310-acre property last month, but quickly hit a snag that he says is now preventing him from running the full tests he would need to prove his claims.

'If I had continued to run the tests at the flow we needed, it could have burned up the well pumps of some of my neighbors, and that's the last thing I wanted," Stritzinger said. "I still believe the water is there. It's just that we can't prove it without hurting our neighbors." The Newark-based developer said that without any leverage to force adjustments in the neighboring wells, the only option left to him was to test for a smaller output.

"I don't need 400,000 gallons a day," Stritzinger said. "That's the amount the county sets for me to produce, but I only need See WATER, 15 ►

RED LIGHT PHOTO ENFORCED Newark. Violators, which had previously only been issued warnings, now will receive \$75 tickets if they illegally zip through intersections. Two intersections are monitored within the City of Newark limits. One camera is installed at the One camera is installed at the Elkton Road and Christina Parkway intersection, and another one sits at Rt. 896 and Christina Parkway. They began ticketing careless drivers on March 30. A third camera, located at Marrows Road and Rt. 4, just outside of city lim-its, has been ticketing drivers since March 1. The equipment within Newark borders has been in place since February, but needed a special ordi-nance passed before tickets could be issued. That ordinance received the okay by the Newark City

SMIE!

Careless drivers, beware. Red

light traffic cameras are now being used to ticket drivers in

ordinance received the okay by the Newark City Council at the end of February. Money collected from the tickets is split between the city and the camera's operator, Nestor.

Main Street becomes Memory Lane

Historical society hears tales of family businesses here

By JIM STREIT

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

EWARK'S past is history but memories of days gone by came to life on March 29. The latest in a series of panels hosted by the Newark Historical Society featured two prominent Newarkers, Anne Munyan and Gene Trivits, who recalled their experiences growing up in family businesses here.

RICHARDS DAIRY

Munyan, nee Richards, told a crowd packed into council chambers in the Newark Municipal Building how the family dairy business expanded from an inhome operation at Main and Haines streets (now the home of Starbucks) to a large retail operation at Elkton Road and Amstel Avenue.

"My father wanted to better himself," Munyan said, a drive that prompted him to move his family from Smyrna to what is known as the Stafford Farm on Ogletown Road in 1916. Though it was "before her time," Munyan said the relocation involved her father shepherding a cattle drive from downstate and guiding his herd along public roadways to

Newark. "When he decided to start his own business," Munyan recalled, he purchased the former German Dairy. "He bought a horse and wagon from Mr. German and started a business hauling sod and slate in addition to his dairy work," she said.

Working out of the Richards home, the dairy business grew. With a quart of milk selling for 11 cents, Mr. Richards bought a delivery truck and business prospered until two of his customers came down with a devastating fever, the result of drinking raw, unpasteurized milk. Business fell off dramatically, Munyan said, but eventually customers returned.

Richards moved his dairy operation and home to Choate Street. He purchased a pasteurization machine and business mush-

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Lifelong Newark residents O. Eugene Trivits, left, and Anne Munyan told a packed crowd in the Newark City Council chambers about growing up in Newark in families that operated businesses here.

In Our Schools EDUCATION NEWS FOR NEWARK FROM LOCAL SCHOOLS

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Celebrate the eclipse

TUDENTS at Newark High School are invited to the Cosmic Skate at The Pond Ice Arena, off Marrows Road, on Friday, April 8, 8 - 10 p.m. Admission is \$7 and skate rental is \$2. Proceeds will benefit the NHS Drama Club and Thespian Society. For info., call 454-2151 ext. 365.

Board Meeting

The Christina School District Board of Education will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, April 12, 7:30 p.m. at Marshall Elementary School, 101 Barrett Run Road, Newark. The meeting agenda is available at www. christina.k12.de.us. Click on Board of Education, then "more," then "meetings and agendas."

The general public is invited to board meetings and individuals can address the Board during the public rec-ognition portion. Complete a "request to speak" form and present to the secretary before the meeting begins. For information and directions, call 552-2600.

Student of Week

Chris Brander, a senior at Christiana High School and the NETworks program, was selected by NETworks director Carlene Zierfuss and staff as this week's Student of the Week. Chris tries very hard to get good grades. He is reliable, punctual, has good attendance

and gets along well with others. He is the vice president of NETworks FFA Chapter and per-forms in theater

Even though he graduates in June, he hopes to return to NETworks full time next year. His goal is to become an actor.

Where reality hits **By ROBIN BROOMALL**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

AN'T wait for graduation so you can stop studying, get a job and start earning big bucks?

Students at Christiana High School recently learned the reality of life after high school is not all fun and games. There's still a lot of learning that takes place everyday. They need to earn the right to get to those higher, glamorous positions they've been dreaming about.

At the CHS Career Fair, held March 23, more than 70 local business leaders and professionals spoke to more than 200 seniors and business education students about their careers, what it took for them to reach their position, the education necessary and what today's students enter-ing the work force could expect.

Under the direction of Bill Prodgers, director of work expe-Prodgers, director of work expe-rience at CHS, this was the fifth year for the fair, being the only one of its type held in high schools around the area. "It gets smoother every year," he said.

Prior to the seminar, students were asked to compile a list of possible choices for their future careers. Out of 100 topics, they narrowed their selection down



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY ROBIN BROOMALL

Vice president of sales for Aztec Printing, Ed Dwornik, right, tells students at Christiana High Career Fair that their education does not end with graduation. They need to always be curious and constantly learning. Fred Dawson, vice president of Bassett Brosius and Dawson, left, is an alumna of CHS. Between them is Jessica Stevenson, a senior.

to five. Based on that, Prodgers and his staff matched the students with business people in the field, or a closely related one, for the career fair.

Students came dressed for success, with questions and work sheets in hand. At least three business leaders from each area were at tables, representing business/ finance, communications, computer science, counseling, edu-cation, engineering/architecture, fashion, food/hospitality, health care, law enforcement/military, legal/government, performing arts, sports/recreation and visual arts.

At the Business/Finance table CHS alumna Fred Dawson, told students when he graduated from high school, he wanted to be a rock star. Today as a financial advisor and planner, he handles multi-million dollar accounts for other people and "helps them live comfortably." Music is still a very important part of his life, but it is his avocation, not his vocation.

"Find your passion in life and make a life out of it," Dawson said.

Handling other people's money might sound like a fantastic job but there is constant learning and hands-on experience as well as being "held to an extremely high degree of ethics." "I am a 20-year, overnight success," said Dawson.

The same message came from Robin Mahafferty, visual arts instructor at Cecil Community College.

"If you find something you really like to do, you'll never have to work a day in your life," she said. "If you really enjoy what you do, it's not work, it's fun.

But passion alone will not make you successful. You still need to work longer, better and harder than others, she said. Senior Jamar Reed was excit-

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Everyone's a winner

By ROBIN BROOMALL

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

NE by one they proudly marched down the aisles, up the steps and into the spotlight. A row of brightly colored balloons, intertwined with tiny twinking lights, indicated where the youngest of Bayard School's students should stand.

It could have been the Academy awards as far as many of the four and five-year-olds were concerned. For some of them, their kindergarten assembly was the only chance they would ever have to stand on the huge stage and have all eyes focused on them as their name and accomplishments were announced.

Thirteen of the 150 kindergartners were recognized for having perfect attendance. "These are your future employees," Dr.

Alexis Watson, assistant principal, told the families who came to support their little ones. "They are the ones who will go to work everyday.

Nineteen more students took their places in the limelight for academic achievement. They had worked hard in becoming good readers

"Parent involvement is the best indicator of success in reading," Watson said.

More than 30 students were called to the stage for having never been sent to time out and for obeying the school rules. At Bayard they follow the "Fab Four" of caring, respect, responsibility and trustworthiness.

Another seven were known as the most improved. Two got the Effort award for working so hard.

Watson said the final ten called to the stage received her most special award - the Hope award. Each one said they hoped to stay out of trouble, behave on the bus and work hard in class. If they did those things, they hoped to receive one of the other awards at the next assembly.

Each child returned to his or her seat in the audience to a round of applause and with a sense of pride.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY ROBIN BROOMALL

Mariah Hendrix, left, and Tyler Govens were among the 30 kindergartners recognized for good behavior. They had never been sent to time out, always follow the rules and live the Fab Four of caring, respect, responsibility and trustworthiness.

at CHS.

Brander

Kindergarteners celebrate achievement, hope

► WINNER, from 4

Kindergarten assemblies are held three times a year at the end of the marking period.

"It's so important to have them walk across the stage and feel value in education," said Watson, "For many, they don't have that."

Shyair Williams, almost six years-old, said he liked walking

on stage. His name was called twice. "It felt great. It makes me feel

good," he said. Shyair's god-father, Gil Roberts, who also works in the classroom as a homeroom father,

agreed. "It's a good thing to recognize their achievements and for the parents to see them." Five-year-old Nigeria Sigure-

Watson had family support, too, to see her receive the Fab Four award. Her father, mother, older brother and younger sister attended the assembly.

"We are totally proud of her," said Yolanda Watson. "We are constantly working with the teacher, working on the computer at home. We have reading time at home and shut off the T

Bayard has six half-day kindergarten classes and two fullday classes, known as wraparound. Students in the full-day program attend regular kindergarten activities half the day, then get additional reinforcement in the skills taught in the other half

of the day. The conscious decision to recognize the youngsters must be paying off. Nearly 90 percent of Bayard's first graders are at or above the benchmark level in their academic skills, Watson said.

Parental involvement is the best indicator of a child's success in reading, said Dr. Alexis Watson, assistant principal at Bayard School. Many families supported their children by attending the Bayard kindergarten assembly. Watson is now targeting grandpar-ents to volunteer and mentor in the schools.

Downes health fair, fund raiser this Saturday

THE Newark community is invited to board the Magic School Bus Ride at Downes Elementary School, on Casho Mill Road, this Saturday, April 9, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., for the school's annual fun/health fair.

This year's fair will begin with a 5k walk/bike ride, with helmets, starting at 9 a.m. The walk is free but donations will be gladly accepted to support the school's team that took first place in the recent state competition of Odyssey of the Mind. The team is invited to attend national competition in Colorado in May. They will perform their winning skit between 12:30 and 1:30 p.m. at the health fair.

Students will also explore the human body by traveling through the ever popular "circulatory system" set up in the gym. There will also be booths and activities, including the Pocket Lady, cake/ book walk, lemon roll, fishing pond, ping pong ball toss and vis-its to the school's fitness room. Health organizations, includ-

ing the American Heart and Lung Associations, Nikken products, dentists, and the Bike Line will have displays. The National Guard will have a challenging

vertical climbing wall. Tickets can be redeemed for prizes and raffle tickets will be available.

The Main Squeeze Restaurant will provide healthy snacks.

The fair is organized by Deb Wilson, physical education teacher, Christine Laudorn, school nurse, and Yolanda Chetwynd-Advani, parent.

information, call 454-For 2133.

Business leaders explain pitfalls, joy of work world

► CAREER FAIR, from 4

ed about the opportunity to talk with a variety of business people at the career fair.

"You learn how to handle your profession," he said, "but you must understand the business and finances behind it. He has not yet decided on architecture or real estate as his career.

The speakers came from a wide variety of local organizations, including Happy Harry's, Aztec Copies, University of Delaware, MBNA, Matt Slap Subaru, Delaware Dance Company, The Ski Bum, Cannon's Custom Cakes, Harry's Savoy Grill, Hotel DuPont, Christiana Care, DNREC, police agencies, and more.

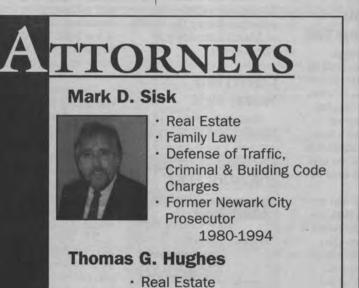
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IF YOU LIVE IN DISTRICT 2 OR 4

Vote Tuesday

SOMETIMES, with no impending crises, it's hard to stir voter interest in a Newark city election like the one here next Tuesday, April 12. With the loss of two veteran councilmembers, it is important that city voters make wise choices as to who the replacements will be.

The Newark City Council is the part of government that is closest to Newarkers. The actions of the council affect all city residents, yet a single voter can have a much greater influence on a council decision than, for example, the state legislature.

All votes count but none moreso than in a city council race. Ask Jerry Clifton. He is one of the two long-term councilmembers that are retiring from council by not seeking reelection. In his first try for the District 2 council seat, Clifton lost by only three votes. In 2000, Chris Rewa won her council post by a single vote margin.

Without a citywide mayoral race this year and only one candidate interested in replacing the other retiring veteran, John Farrell, in District 1, it is imperative that residents of Districts 2 and 4 make their preferences known next Tuesday at the polls. (Those who do not know their city council district can easily determine the number by consulting a street directory on the city's Web site. Go to: http://newark. de.us/docs/council/district_street_ list.html

Only hat in ring

PAUL Pomeroy last weekend noted that his first two elections may well be his hardest and easiest if there are others to follow in his future.

Last fall, the District 1 resident conducted an agressive campaign for the state legislature but lost to his Democratic opponent.

Soon after Farrell announced his retirement from city council, Pomeroy threw his hat into the ring. No one else did by the filing deadline. As a result, there is no election for District 1 and the advertising agency executive will take office at the same time as the winners of the Districts 2 and 4 races.

Pomeroy is bright, energetic, young and in touch with his constituency through his door-knocking for the fall campaign. We believe he is a welcome addition to the council and wish him success.

Re-elect Dave Athey

N his first term on the Newark City Council, Dave Athey has grown comfortably into his council role. He started strong, and has progressed into a thoughtful, strategic councilmember. He looks at issues facing the council from both immediate need and "big picture" perspectives. He has been successful dealing with citywide issues and their effects on District 4 residents.

Athey's district is a demanding one. It stretches along Park Place and contains areas most directly impacted by the University of Delaware. District 4 also jumps across Elkton Road and includes a portion of College Park, where Athey's challenger Robert Foreaker has been a community activist.

Considering the loss of two veterans and a council led by a mayor ending just the first year of his term, Newark needs experienced, open-minded, proven council representatives. Athey clearly is the better choice for voters and should be returned to the District 4 council seat.

District 2

We decline making a recommendation in this race that pits newcomers Peter Shurr against Sharon Hughes to replace the retiring Clifton. OUT OF THE ATTIC

This week, Out of the Attic reprises a photograph taken 19 years ago by Newark Post reader Ron Baker, who took the shot of this and other area landmarks when he realized the structures were either doomed to destruction by pending highway projects or on their way out of business. This photo recalls the Chuck Wagon Restaurant, said Baker "a great piece of 1950s commercial architecture that has been covered over and is now the Italian Bistro on Rt. 2 at Farrand Drive." Baker recalled that entry was gained through the famed "coffee pot" doorway. Readers are encouraged to provide historic photos for publication in "Out of the Attic." Special care will be taken. For information, call 737-0724. Send submission to: "Out of the Attic," Newark Post, 168 Elkton Road, Newark 19711.

PAGES FROM THE PAST

News as it appeared in the Newark Post through the years

April 10, 1930 Council adopts daylight savings time

Daylight savings time will be observed in Newark this year, according to the action of town council at their regular monthly meeting on Monday evening when they adopted a resolution making daylight savings time the official time of

the town. A few weeks ago it was announced that the University of Delaware would operate on the advanced time and it is also expected that the usual procedure of following the daylight time will be followed in Wilmington.

Monday's session of council was a busy one and some of the time was occupied in discussing the affairs of the town. Alderman Daniel P. Thompson reported fines collected during the month of March amounting to \$27.

Concert here Sunday night

Members of the Singers' club of Newark,



composed of nearly one hundred singers in Newark and vicinity, presented oratorio, "The Holy City," at the State Theatre, last Sunday night. Despite the rainy weather, the theatre was crowded.

The club had been rehearsing for this presentation for three months and it proved a great treat for many music lovers. It was the most elaborate affair of the kind ever attempted in Newark, and much credit is due those in charge for the excellent manner in which it was presented.

P.B. Byers was the director and Miss Eleanor Edge accompanist. Solo parts were well taken by S.K. Fell, Mrs. P.K. Musselman, Dr. George H. Ryden, Mrs. D.W. Jacobs or Wilmington, Miss Anne Ritz and A.D. Cobbs.

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If it wasn't for the stuff, I might live on Main Street

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lection (thousands of pieces of vinyl that consume half of our basement).

We've learned that it takes as much emotional energy as time to go through these things and decide what goes and what stays.

It's hard to toss aside items that stir memories. Somewhere in one of those boxes is a newspaper clipping of the first writing I had published. Important to me, but just another piece of yellowed newsprint to others.

Much of my record collection was acquired at auctions and yard sales of estates. From time to time, as I went through my acquisitions, I'd discover notes within the albums or notations on the record jackets, each indicating a special memory that the owner wanted to preserve.

I remember one box of Chad Mitchell Trio albums that I bought for \$1. On each album, the owner made notes like when he first heard each song, where he had seen the trio perform that song in concert, and other intimate thoughts. On the group's "Mighty Day On Campus" LP cover, the owner scribbled, "This is the first Christmas gift that my loving wife, Louise, gave me."

To the owner, these albums

were important. To his heirs, they were simply stuff that had to go. Linda and I have decided to

get rid of our stuff on our terms and not leave it to our children to put out in yard sales. We have unused bedrooms and

We have unused bedrooms and a formal living room that is seldom used. We walk through our family room more often today than we sit in it. Linda and I agree that it would make sense for us to move to smaller, less burdensome digs. But we have a lot of downsizing to do before we reach that point.

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ALL that said, if our stuff was consider moving into the condos that are proposed to be built on the present site of the Stone Balloon in downtown Newark. I love Main Street and wouldn't mind living in its center. I don't believe my wife feels the same, though it's a mute point until we downsize.

The future of the Stone Balloon site has been of interest to many, because of its location in the heart of the downtown and its size.

A decade ago, I shared a vision with some others that a University of Delaware-affiliated hotel, complete with an upscale student-run Bringing employed, mature adults to live in downtown areas is a trend nationally and one that should begin here."

restaurant, would be the best use of the property and a welcome complement to other Main Street businesses. But that dream was not meant to be and the opening of the Courtyard hotel near Clayton Hall declares so.

My thinking has changed. What downtown Newark needs today is exactly what Waterstone, as the Stone Balloon project is known, appears to offer – an end to the proliferation of student apartments and, instead, new upscale living space for professionals, professors and retirees (I'm not retiring soon but I'm closer to that end of the spectrum than the student one).

Waterstone has been a hot topic since it appeared on the

radar screen, partly because of the nostalgic connection to the site. The Balloon symbolizes fond memories for many and they hate to lose it, even though most have long outgrown attendance at Mug Night proceedings.

Night proceedings. Louder opposition has pointed to the size of the project.

Jim Baeurle, the owner, and the Breckstone Group, the architects, have reduced the condo count a bit but not the degree that the city's Planning Commission wants. The present size, Baeurle contends, is what's needed to make the multimillion dollar project economically feasible.

At first, I grimmaced at the size but as the plans developed and drawings and projections have appeared, I'm okay with the size. What worries me and others most, I think, is that the condo complex would be a behemoth that dwarfs other buildings. But on its Main Street frontage it appears it will fit in as a peer to other buildings like the Galleria and Newark Farm and Home and is no different in scope than nearby UD buildings.

Of greater concern is that the high-priced condos would become high-priced student apartments, with residents throwing bottles of Crown Royal off the balconies instead of Natural Light.

Baeurle maintains that the price (\$250,00 to \$400,000) doesn't make sense for rental investors. He believes that condo regulations that allow only 20% of the units at any one time to not be owner occupied should allay these fears.

There are many other factors – parking, access, etc. – that deserve discussion and evaluation (and there's plenty of opinion already).

The Newark City Council – including two brand new members – will take up this issue April 25 at its first post-election issue. They are the decision makers and I'll leave it up to them to make the right choice on Waterstone.

The council vote on the Waterstone project also will be a vote on downtown's future.

For me, the project makes sense and is a better alternative to what most recent major Main Street projects have been – various retail stores on the first level with student rentals above.

Bringing employed, mature adults to live in downtown areas is a trend nationally and one that should begin here.

Doing so would make a great downtown better.

■ The writer is publisher of this and three other newspapers headquartered in Newark. He is chairman of the Downtrown Newark Partnership and a member of the Newark Morning Rotary Club. The Streits moved to the Cherry Hill neighborhood of Newark in 1992.

2000: One vote decides city election

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April 9, 1980

Position softened on auxiliary police

A recent trip to the Woodbury, N.J. Police Department has softened one city councilman's objections to the proposed auxiliary police force. Ted Nutter, one of city coun-

Ted Nutter, one of city council's most vocal opponents of the volunteer police concept, said he would be "more sympathetic" to the idea the next time it comes before council, after seeing Woodbury's 26-year reserve force in operation.

"I went over there skeptical, but trying to be open-minded," said Nutter. "I have to admit, I was relatively impressed.

Nutter, Councilman Olan Thomas, City Manager Peter Marshall and Chief William Brierley visited the 30-man police department and discussed the town's 15-member reserve operation with the police chief and reserve force captain.

Election turnout light

Newarkers were not turning out en masse yesterday morning to vote in the city elections. In fact, to call the turnout light might be stretching it a bit. Meager is probably more accurate.

The women serving as poll watchers were bound to get a lot of knitting and reading done in the 13 hours the polls were open because all candidates ran unopposed.

By 10 a.m. about 36 ballots had been cast at the six districts in town. At both the District 3 polls and the District 5 polls, 13 voters had pulled the lever. That number included ballots cast by the poll watchers.

Those districts fared better than District 2, where two people had voted, probably because councilmen were up for re-election. In Districts 1, 2 and 4 there were no representatives for re-election, only Mayor William Redd.

April 14, 2000 Christina will have new plan

Four years after court-ordered busing was lifted in northern Delaware, state lawmakers have approved a bill that will force school districts to send students to schools closest to their homes.

H.B. 300, passed last week by an 18-2 vote in the State Senate and then a 38-3 vote in the House of Representatives, requires Christina, Colonial, Brandywine and Red Clay school districts in New Castle County to come up with a plan to recognize their student population. A new district could be created for the city of Wilmington.

The General Assembly sent the bill to Governor Thomas Carper for his signature.

Carper's chief of staff, Jeffrey Bullock, stated that the governor will sign the bill's revised version.

Rewa wins by one vote

An election campaign marked more by its extreme civility than by fireworks came to a suitably quiet end in Newark this week.

Political neophyte Christine Rewa became the new city council member from District 6 by a vote 34-33.

"It was a quiet election but then, people in my district haven't had to get involved for a long time," said Rewa following the announcement of the results. "Olan Thomas was in office for 29 years and Gerry Grant ran unopposed in the last two elections after defeating Olan his first time."

Staff at the city secretary's office in Newark said the official count of registered voters in District 6 is currently 2,069.



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OUTLOOK

Growing your own family fun

By KATIE DALY

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

A LTHOUGH warm weather hasn't arrived in Newark yet, it is on the way. As I drive through the city on my way to the office, I see blooming crocus and daffodils someone thought to plant last fall. You may already have in mind what gardening you want to do around your house this year. It may be too cool for outside gardens, but you still can get a jumpstart

on spring. On those rainy Saturdays in April, don't get the blues. Get the kids together for a project you all can watch "blossom":

all can watch "blossom": Service make your

own mini-container garden. The supplies needed for this activity are inexpensive and easy to find at the local home store. You may even have many of the items in the house. You will need a shallow container, such as a dish, bowl, pot; wooden or wicker basket; a hand trowel or an old spoon; small pebbles or stones; plant charcoal, small plants, and potting soil. Gather some decorative items such as rocks, seashells, flags or feathers to add a finishing decorative touch.

For this time of year the best plant options are annuals, including impatiens, marigolds, begonias, geraniums, petunias, snapdragons and verbena-all of which are beginning to appear in bedding plants at garden outlets. Encourage the children to

choose what plants to put into their mini-garden. Their creativity and pride of "ownership" will result in some lovely color combinations. There are some simple steps

you can take to ensure your plant's health. First, clean the containers.

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Newark has new voice, open ear

By KAYTIE DOWLING

R OBERT Maxwell loves to listen.

"God gave me two ears and one mouth for a good reason," said the City of Newark's new lobbyist. "I need to listen and not prejudge."

His patient ear and openminded attitude have proven themselves as priceless tools for Maxwell. During his 35 years in the public and private sector, Maxwell became a voice for Delaware politics. In that time, he re-discovered something he's always known - it pays to listen.

Maxwell began his life-long habit and passion for politics as a young boy. He would spend after-dinner hours in his family's living room with perked ears as his parents and older relatives hashed out national politics.

"I didn't have a place at the table, that's for sure," he said. "But I was off to the side and I was certainly listening."

"But I was off to the side and I was certainly listening." Those debates meandered from topic to topic. They would start out scrutinizing FDR's latest policy and wind up dissecting the attack at Pearl Harbor. All the while, the debates held Maxwell's attention. Although he didn't contribute to the conversations, those political ponderings eventually molded Maxwell's political spirit.

As he matured, Maxwell realized that just talking shop wasn't enough. He needed to be involved. So he started campaigning.

"I got totally unequivocally galvanized in John Kennedy's run for the presidency," he said. "And then in 1972, I had the same passion for getting a young lawyer named Joe Biden elected."

That summer, Maxwell trekked all over Delaware spreading the word about this Wilmington candidate.

"I would run and distribute

pamphlets and it made me realize that local government is really the cell for all that happens. Walking up three or four flights of stairs and putting a leaflet in a door is as cellular as it gets," he said, explaining the defining moment that he fell for local politics. "I really have a passion for the importance for local government. So much of what happens in congress is kind of removed from people. But when your backyard floods, you don't call your congressperson. You call your local representative. You call your first responder." That passion propelled

That passion propelled Maxwell into elected office within the state. He served as a New Castle County representative for District 1 from 1983-84 and a State Representative for District 14 from 1974-80.

His work as a legislator was not the only opportunity he would have as a public servant. Maxwell also worked as Chief Administrative Officer for New Castle County from 1989 through 1996. After that, he joined the private sector where he continued to affect change in the state government as a lobbyist.

That's where Maxwell reacquainted himself with the value of listening.

"For me to represent clients accurately, I had to learn a lot about them," he said. "And that meant that I had to listen."

Over the years, he became an expert in his own right on diabetes and cancer as he represented focus groups for both topics. Now, he's becoming an expert on Newark, his newest client.

Representing the city won't be a cake job for the lobbyist. He has his challenges before him. There is a noisy, if not large, population that believes the city has no need for a second voice in Dover. They argue that the local elected officials offer representation enough and that Maxwell's salary could be better spent. Despite their pro-



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY MATT BASHAM

Robert Maxwell is Newark's new face in in Dover. He will help represent the city's interest in statelegislature.

tests, Maxwell is here for at least a year.

In twelve months Maxwell will have the opportunity to convert a

few of his critics to supporters. If he doesn't succeed at that, he will at least have had the chance to hear their point of view.

Maxwell's past at a glance

Maxwell graduated from Salesianum High School in 1954. From there, he went on to the University of Delaware, taking classes at night for eight years. He earned his degree in Secondary Education and went to work as a political science and civics teacher for A.I. DuPont High School. In 1982,

he returned to the University of Delaware and completed the course work for a master's degree in Management Training. However, he did not finish his thesis in the program.

■ Maxwell spent six years in elected office. He served from 1975-80 as a State Representative and from 1983-84 as a New Castle County Councilman.

The lobbyist is also a member of the New Castle and Delaware State Chambers of Commerce, Delaware Contractor's Association, and the Rotary Club of Wilmington.

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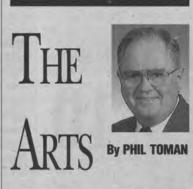
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A grand night in 19th century Vienna

WELL, dear reader, I have some good news and some bad news. The bad news is that at this time of year opera companies all across the world are closing out their 2004-2005 seasons. It is even worse where we live because we have a world-class opera company so easily accessible via I-95. The Opera Company of Philadelphia (OCP is one of those companies closing for the season. The good news? That is the fact that the company has chosen one of the most delightful comedies ever to grace an opera stage for its finale, Johann Strauss' "Die Fledermaus."

Uproarious plots and counter plots, inane disguises, vengeance for a practical joke and much more all combine to form the story of this one evening and one morming in 19th century Vienna. In all this hilarity could there possibly be a villain? Well, the composer himself tells us the answer to that in Act III, "Champagner hat's verschuldet." Since all agree that that is the most "sinister" thing in the story, you have some idea of the fun in store.

If there is anyone in your family past junior high school age to whom you would like to introduce the wonderful world of opera, this is your chance! No murders. No treason. No barbaric battles. Just a grand night in a Vienna that will never exist again. Come prepared for a great time and you won't be disappointed. OCP boss Robert Driver is making sure of that, He is personally directing "Die Flerdermaus."



Robert joined the group a dozen years ago with a tar-nished reputation. In that time, he has brought the company to its present world-class status as a company which has to offer no apologies for performances. He brought with him not only acute financial skills but also a superb understanding of opera. He demonstrated this again and again at the OCP with performances he personally directed. The most recent example being "Aida" this winter. Now he is back with this comedy which he will paint with the broadest of brushes all the while savoring the music of Strauss.

Gabriel von Eisenstein, the hapless center of the elaborate practical joke, will be brought to life by one of my favorite young tenors, William Burden. This will be his debut role in "Fledermaus." Both critics and audiences have enjoyed his work with the OCP and other companies and brought him back for multiple curtain calls. I have a feeling he will outdo himself in this comedic role.

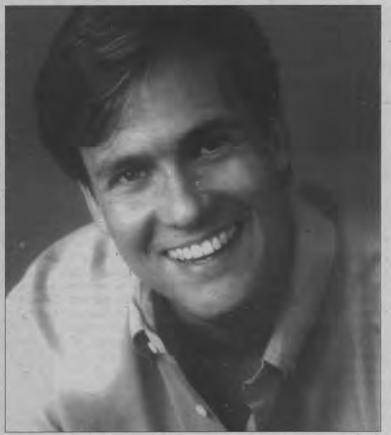
The character at the heart of all the chicanery is Dr. Falke. Being brought back after triumphs here and with other companies, Jochen Schmeckenbecher, will offer us his interpretation of the "ring master" in this operatic circus. He became an OCP favorite with his performances in Mozart's "Die Zauberflote" and Strauss' "ariadne auf Naxos."

Gabriel's wife, Rosalinde, and his nemesis in the hilarious "watch scene" of Act II, is Christine Goerke who is making her OCP debut. Her recent credits include the title role in the New York City Opera Company's "Alcina," by George Frideric Handel; Donna Elvira in Mozart's "Don Giovanni" with the Paris Opera Bastille and the same role with the Metropolitan Opera Company. Tenor Bruce Ford will appear

Tenor Bruce Ford will appear as Rosalinde's former lover, Alfred, in his debut with the company. He has performed recently with Monte Carlo Opera, the Royal Opera Covent Garden and La Scala in Milan. The chamber maid who wants to be an actress will be offered by another debut artist, Sarah Tannehill. Sarah Castle will sing the trouser role of Prince Orlofsky. The Opera Company of Philadelphia's Music Director

The Opera Company of Philadelphia's Music Director Corrado Rovaris will conduct the opera. This is his first full season with the company and he is earning a wonderful reputation. His control of and pacing in "Aida"

WATERFRONT DINING



Tenor William Burden will star as Gabriel von Eisenstein in the next work to be presented by the Opera Company of Philadelphia, Johann Strauss' hilarious "Die Fledermaus."

won over many who were concerned about such a young man in such an important position.

"Die Fledermaus" will be presented in The Academy of Music at Broad and Locust Streets in downtown Philadelphia, an easy drive from this area. There are many parking lots within a block or two of The Academy. The opera will open on April 29, and continue on May 1 (a matinee), 4, 7, 13, and close on May 15 (a matinee). Wednesday curtains at 7:30 p.m.; Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2:30 p.m.

Some tickets are still available. You may call 215-893-1999. Enjoy!

Get a jumpstart on spring

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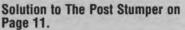
If the container is not waterproof, line it with heavy plastic. Next, place a two-inch layer of charcoal in the bottom of the container. The charcoal prevents bacterial growth and odor. On top of the charcoal place a half-inch layer of pebbles. This will help drainage if there are no drain holes in the container.

Next, add moist potting soil. Fill the container to within 1 inch of the top. Using the trowel or spoon, make one hole in the soil for each plant. Leave a little space around each plant, and reserve open areas for any decorations you plan to incorporate.

Then, take the plants out of their garden center pots and put each into a hole. Tap the soil down firmly around each plant.

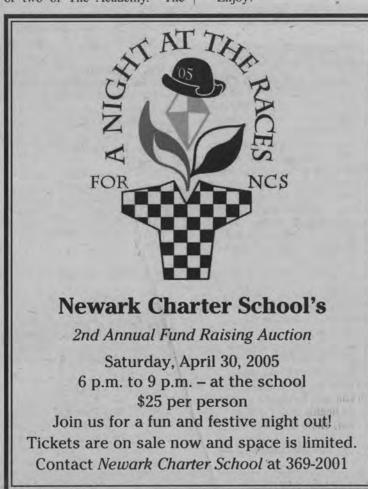
Don't forget to water lightly. After you finish putting the garden together, it's time to get imaginations into gear. Here is where everyone contributes that personal touch to the garden. For example, if the colors of the flowers remind you of the beach, add some seashells. Or, if the flowers are red, white and blue, plant a tiny flag in the soil for a patriotic statement.

This growing project is another great rainy day (or any day) activity designed to bring families together through activities from the Delaware 4-H Cooperative Curriculum System. Get planting!









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LIVE MUSIC 7 - 10 p.m. John Pollard will perform. No cover charge. Home Grown Café, 126 E. Main St., Newark. Info, 266-6993. FROG FAMILY FRIDAYS 7 p.m. Also on April 22 and May 6. Learn about different frog families and listen to their calls. \$4. White Clay Creek State Park, 425 Wedgewood Rd. Info., 368-6900. FUN FROG CRAFT 6:30 p.m. Also on April 22 and May 6. For those with children. Before Frog

Family Fridays. \$1. White Clay Creek State Park,

425 Wedgewood Rd. Info., 368-6900. WINE AND ART SILENT AUCTION 5:30 - 8 p.m. Newark Symphony Society will host event. \$15 per person, \$27.50 per couple. Newark Country Club, 705 N. Country Club Dr. Info., 737-1925.

JAZZ ENSEMBLE CONCERT 8 p.m. \$10 adults. \$7 seniors. \$3 students. Loudis Recital Hall, Amy E. du Pont Music Building, Amstel Avenue and Orchard Road. Info., 831-2577.

OVER AND UNDER: PAINTINGS BY N.C. WYETH 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Runs till May 8. This exhibition explores the artist's practice of reworking and reusing canvases. \$8 adults. \$5 seniors, students with ID, children 6-12. Free to children under 6. Brandywine River Museum and Environmental Management Center, Route 1, 141 Chadds Ford. Info., 610-388-2700 or visit www. brandywinemuseum.org or www.brandywineconservancy.org.

CAMPFIRE ACOUSTIC JAM 7 - 9 p.m. Bring your instrument and join local musicians around the campfire. All instruments are welcome as long as they are acoustic. \$2. Brandywine Creek State Park. 655-5740.



WEED-OUT! VOLUNTEER DAY 9 a.m. - noon. Also on April 30, May 14 and June 11. Will educate on invasive plants, then group will work to rid park of these weeds. All welcome. Bring gloves and water. White Clay Creek State Park, 425 Wedgewood Rd. Info., 368-6900.

PARISH DRIVE 5 - 7 p.m. Also available Sunday, April 10 8 a.m. - noon. Benefits the poor and needy. Accepting items of furniture, housewares, small

655-5740.

apliances, toys, etc. Sponsored by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. St. Margaret of Scotland Church, 230 Executive Dr., Newark. Info., 369-8100.

ART EXHIBIT 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Runs till April 29. Exhibit from Delaware artists who traveled to Tuscany. Opening reception held on April 9 as well, 3 -5 p.m. The Lorelton, 2200 West 4th St., Wilmington. Info., 998-9142.



ARTWORK ON DISPLAY

Newark artist Frances Hart will show her work at the Delaware Center for Horticulture from now until April 26. The Center is located at 1810 N. DuPont St., Wilmington.

WILD TURKEY CALL 6:30 a.m. Join us on a search for wild turkeys. After the hike, enjoy some coffee and donuts. \$2. Brandywine Creek State Park. Info., 655-5740.

GARDENING WORKSHOPS 9 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. These workshops are 2 parts of a four-part series concerning tree & shrub maintenance. Delaware Center for Horticulture, 1810 N. DuPont St., Wilmington. Info. and pricing, 658-6262.

FRIDAY, APRIL 8

STRENGTH TRAINING 9 - 10 a.m. Mondays; 6:45 - 7:45 p.m. Tues. and Thurs.; 10:15 - 11:15 a.m. Wed. and Fri. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

FAMILY & COMMUNITY 1 p.m. Second Friday. Continuing education to promote better way of life. New members welcome. County Extension Office, South Chapel St. Info., 738-4419 or 831-1239. BABY STORY TIME 10:30 a.m. Second

and fourth Friday. Program runs till May 13. For baby's ages 6-18 months. The New Castle Public Library, 424 Delaware St. Info., 328-1995.

TODDLER STORYTIME 11:30 a.m. Second and fourth Friday. The program runs until May 13. For ages 18-36 months. The New Castle Public Library, 424 Delaware St. Info., 328-1995.

SATURDAY, APRIL 9

MEN'S BREAKFAST 7:30 a.m. Saturday. \$5 donation goes to missions. Greater Grace Church, 30 Blue Hen Dr. Info., 738-1530. KARAOKE 8 p.m. - midnight. Saturday. The American Legion of Elkton. Info., 410-398-9720.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED 10 a.m.

Second Saturday. Join a great group of committed volunteers! We have programs scheduled all year round and we need your help. Brandywine Creek State Park. Info.,

LYME SUPPORT GROUP 10:30 a.m. Second Saturday. Kirkwood Highway Library. Info., 996-9065 or e-mail TLizzy@snip.net.

RECYCLE ALUMINUM 9 a.m. - noon. Second Saturday. Anything except foil. Remove non-metal portions like glass or chair webbing. Call for house siding and large pickups. Center for Creative Arts, off Rt. 82, Yorklyn. Info., 239-2690 or 239-2434.

SUNDAY, APRIL 10

BEAR DANCERS 2 - 5 p.m. Second Sunday. Square dancing. No partner or experience needed. Dress comfortably and bring clean, soft-soled shoes. No smoking or alcohol. \$6. 208 Mariner's Way, Bear. Info., 838-0493, ext. 5.

MONDAY, APRIL 11

MHA DEPRESSION SUPPORT GROUP 7 - 9 p.m. Mondays. Support group sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware. Free. To protect privacy of members, meeting locations provided only with

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registration. Info., 765-9740. **FREE ENGLISH CONVERSATIONAL CLASSES** 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. Mondays. Classes for English Conversation. Registration required. Newark United Methodist Church, 69 East Main St. Info., 368-4942 or 368-8774.

PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS 7:30 p.m. Second Monday. Orientation meeting. Bear Library, Governor's Square. Info., 998-3115. ext. 1.

GUARDIANS' SUPPORT 6 - 8 p.m. Mondays. Meeting for grandparents and all those raising others' children. Children & Families First, 62 N. Chapel St., Info., 658-5177, ext. 260.

NEWARK ROTARY CLUB 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. Mondays. The Holiday Inn, Route 273. Info., 453-8853.

NCCO STROKE CLUB Noon. Mondays. The Jewish Community Center, Talleyville. Info., 324-4444.

SCOTTISH DANCING 7:30 p.m. Mondays. St. Thomas Episcopal Church, South College Ave. Info., 368-2318. TAI CHI 2:30 p.m. Monday or Wednesday; 11:15 a.m. Friday. \$20 per month. Newark



MUSICAL 8, 9:30 and 11 p.m. Featuring original lyrics set to classic scores developed by Andrew Parrish. Newark United Methodist Church, 69 E. Main St. Info., 368-8774 or visit www.newark-umc.

CONCERT 3 p.m. Concerto/Aria competition winners will perform. \$10 adults. \$7 seniors. \$3 students. Loudis Recital Hall, Amy E. du Pont Music Building, Amstel Avenue and Orchard Road. Info., 831-2577.

MONDAY, APRIL 11

NATURE NUGGETS 10:30 a.m. This discovery program for 3-5 year olds explores a different nature topic each month and includes a special craft or activity that will intrigue your child. Guardian must accompany each child. \$3. Call office to register. White Clay Creek State Park, 426 Wedgewood Rd. Info., 368-6900.

TUESDAY, APRIL 12

WORKSHOP 7 p.m. "Geneology How-to" workshop, discussing basics of geneology and hands-on demonstrations. Newark Library, 750 Library Ave. Info., 731-7550.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13

LIVE MUSIC 7 - 10 p.m. Jazz musician Bruce Anthony will perform. Home Grown Café, 126 E. Main St., Newark. No cover charge. Info, 266-6993.

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SOUNDS OF SPRING Also on Friday April 15. We will hear the sweet songs of the birds and the harsh peeps of the frogs. Make some noise in this program as we hear what the animals are talking about. Brandywine Creek State Park. Info., 655-5740.

WHITE CLAY WATERSHED CONFERENCE 8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Learn how landscape choices affect streams and water supplies. \$10. Clayton Hall, UD Campus. Info., 731-1756 or www.whiteclay.org.

Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

TUESDAY, APRIL 12

NEWARK DELTONES 7:45 p.m. Tuesdays. For men who like to sing. New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 East Main St. Info., 368-3052.

DIVORCECARE 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays. Support group meeting. Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 308 Possum Park Rd. Info., 737-7239. SWEET ADELINES 8 - 10 p.m. Tuesdays. Singing group. Listeners and new members welcome. New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., 731-5981.

SCRAPBOOKING 7 - 9 p.m. Tuesdays. Nursery, \$2 per child. Glasgow Reformed Presbyterian Church, Summit Bridge Road, Glasgow. Info., 834-GRPC.

MS SUPPORT 4 - 6 p.m. Tuesdays. MS Society Headquarters, 2 Mill Rd., Wilmington. Info., 655-5610.

CHRISTINA SCHOOL BOARD 7:30 p.m. Second Tuesday. Info., 552-2600 or visit www.christina.k12.de.us.

EPILEPSY SUPPORT 7 p.m. Second Tuesday. Meets at the Easter Seal Center Conference Room, Corporate Cir., New Castle. Info., 324-4455. CANCER SUPPORT 6:30 p.m. Second and fourth Tuesday. 405 Silverside/Carr Executive Center, Wilmington. Info., 733-3000

THYCA DELAWARE 6:30 p.m. Second Wednesday, Offers survivors, families, friends and caregivers a chance to share experiences. Helen F. Graham Cancer Center. Info., 454-1987 or visit www.thyca. org.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13

CAREGIVER SUPPORT Noon. Second Wednesday, Free & open to public. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

DIVORCECARE 7 p.m. Wednesdays. Separated/divorced people meet. Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike. Info., 737-3544.

ANXIETY DISORDER 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. Second & fourth Wednesday. Support group sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware. To maintain the privacy of members, support group locations not published. Info., 765-9740.

GRIEFSHARE 7 p.m. Wednesdays. Seminar and support group for those who have lost someone close to them. Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike. Info.,

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PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Meeting for men who are survivors of and newly diagnosed with prostate cancer. The American Cancer Society Office, 92 Reads Way, Suite 205, New Castle. Info., 234-4227.

FAMILY CIRCLES 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 658-5177.

SCHOOL MENTORING 6 - 7 p.m. Second Wednesday. Big Brothers-Big Sisters Wilmington Office, 102 Middleboro Rd. Info., 998-3577.

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

BINGO 12:45 p.m. Wednesdays. Lunch available for \$2.25 a platter at 11:45 a.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 14

Info., 737-2336.

STORYTIME 10:30 a.m. Thursdays. Animal stories read by a lively storyteller near the Otter exhibit at Brandywine Zoo, Info., 571-7747

Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr.

WOMEN'S DEPRESSION 7 - 9 p.m. Thursdays. Support group sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware. Free. To protect privacy of members, meeting locations provided only with registration. Info., 765-9740.

NAMI-DE 7:30 p.m. Second Thursday. Support group meeting for family members of persons living with mental illness. St. James Episcopal Church, Kirkwood Highway. Info., 427-0787.

EVENING YOGA 6:15 p.m. Thursdays. Class to encourage relaxation and improve strength, balance, and peace of mind. \$15 per month. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336. BLUEGRASS/OLDTIME JAM 7:30 - 10 p.m. Thursdays. Any skill level welcome. Bring your own instrument. St. Thomas Episcopal Church, South College Avenue. **NEWCOMERS WELCOME CLUB 10** a.m. Second Thursday. For new residents in the area. Membership is open to all women who would like to meet new people with similar interests. PAL Center, Hockessin. Info., 449-0992 or 733-0834.

DIVORCECARE 7 - 8:30 p.m. Thursdays. Separated/divorced persons meet. Southern Chester County YMCA, East Baltimore Pike, Jennersville, Pa. Info., 610-869-2140. **NEWARK MORNING ROTARY 7 - 8:15**

a.m. Thursdays. Meeting and breakfast. The Blue & Gold Club, Newark. Info., 737-1711 or 737-0724.

DSI THUMBS UP 7 - 8 p.m. Second & fourth Thursday. Stroke support group meet-ing offering educational topics, peer support and guests who are experts in rehabilitative services. Sponsored by Delaware Stroke Initiative. Free. New Ark United Church of

Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., 633-9313. TOASTMASTERS 7 p.m. Second and fourth Thursday. Develop potential and overcome fear of public speaking. Public welcome. Check info desk for room location. Union Hospital, 106 Bow St. Info., 443-553-5358.

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INDA Taft Walburn is a "woman of the cloth," but not in quite the way you might imagine.

Walburn is not a nun. She is an artist, one that uses the beauty and functionality of cloth in her designs. Long before the art quilt became an accepted genre, she chose cloth and fibers as her medium for artistic expression.

She will display her facili-with fiber in her solo show, "Passages: Inside and Out," which opened April 1 at the Newark Arts Alliance. The show runs through April 30 at 100 Elkton Road.

of using cloth as an expression of their creativity, primarily in practical applications such as quilts and clothing," Walburn explains. Her choice honors that tradition and allows her to explore the use of fibers in uncharted territory.

'The art quilts I construct today are the result of following the trail of cloth as it has come to express my inner landscape,' she says.

Although each piece stands on its own, Walburn creates her work in series. In "Passages; Inside and Out," she explores the idea that passages, such as doors and windows, are simultaneously an entrance and an exit.

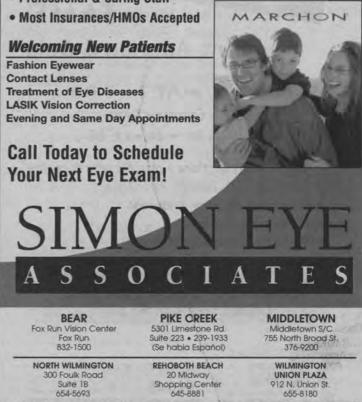
The artist uses hand-dyed, ril 30 at 100 Elkton Road. painted and stamped cotton and cha with cloth to get creativity "Women have a long history silk to create colorful abstract moving," she said.

designs. She often prints computer-generated images onto the cloth and she incorporates some commercial fabrics. The quilts are machine-pieced and/or fused, embroidered, quilted and embellished with free-motion stitching and hand beading and stitching.

Walburn is also an instructor for the NAA's art programs, and will be teaching "Dancing With Your Cloth," which runs four Thursdays from April 7-28. She describes the course as "a dive into quilt making" and promises the participants will have some fun.

"Expect to be tapping your

feet, doing pirouettes and the cha



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Newcomers vy for seat vacated by Clifton

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deadline for candidates, 8-year incumbent Jerry Clifton withdrew his petition for reelection. That left the race wide open for political newcomers Sharon Hughes and Peter Shurr.

Hughes said she is ready to make some changes on council.

"I would bring to the table an open mind," she said. "I would bring compromise and a sense of team spirit that is crucial to that type of government."

If elected, Hughes would be the only female council member. "I think it's imperative that there is a woman's voice on council, she said. "I don't think it should be a boy's club over there. When there's an all-male or all-female group, you run the risk of creating a certain mindset that just feeds on itself."

Hughes worked as a legal aide for the New Castle County Council from 1999 through 2001. It was that experience, she said, that has prepared her for a stint as a city councilmember.

"I learned how to work with constituents and cut through the red tape," she said.

However, that experience also led to Hughes testifying as a witness in the indictment of former New Castle County executive Thomas Gordon, former county administrative officer Sherry Freebery and Janet Smith.

According to court papers, Hughes was the subject of sexual harassment. Hughes announced her intent to file a sexual harassment suit in October of 2001, but was cornered for a settlement before papers were filed. The original offer was for \$16,530. However, Hughes turned down the offer. By Oct. 22, 2001 county officials made a second settlement offer for \$250,000 with a gag order, which was accepted.

Because the settlement was not made public and a series of conflicts of interest were ignored by county officials, the settlement was mentioned in the indictment papers. Hughes is expected to testify in future court proceedings.

Hughes said that the situation was difficult for her, but ultimateHughes Shurr

ly made her a better candidate for council.

"What doesn't kill you makes you stronger," she said. "Certainly, it reinforced my awareness of what is right and wrong in the county and how one addresses those issues."

Her opponent, Peter E. Shurr, is also a new character in local politics.

"I think we need some new faces on council," he said. "I want to help with what Mayor Vance Funk originally set out to do - give the council a friendlier face and get rid of the good old boy mentality."

Shurr recently outlined his

main points of interest in a flyer. They focused on increasing salary for Newark Police officers, not relocating the Newark train station, and increasing the number of upscale restaurants in the downtown.

Shurr has worked for 27 years at the DaimlerChrysler plant for a subcontractor. He also worked for the City of Newark for two years as a maintenance technician, where he serviced city-owned vehicles. He said that while there, he learned the ins and outs of the city's workings.

"I formed many friendships while employed at the city and learned many different aspects of how your tax money was being spent," he said.

In an unusual twist for a city candidate, Shurr currently is in a three-year legal battle with the City of Newark and nine Newark police officers. Shurr is suing for lost wages after he was temporarily banned from entering the DaimlerChrysler property. The situation arose after a conflict where Shurr alleges that he was unjustly arrested. While he was found not guilty of the charges filed in response to the initial situation, he later was found guilty of two charges of harassment. According to court papers, Shurr called two police officers and left obscene messages in their voice mailboxes.

Shurr said the legal battle would not prevent him from being a responsible member of council. "I feel like if I'm elected, I could do some real good," he said. "I feel that I could make a difference.

District 2 is marked by East Main Street on the north, South College Avenue on the west and Marrows and East Chestnut Hill Roads on the East.

Incumbent challenge in District 4

Incumbent David Athey will face Rob Foraker in a head-tohead battle in District 4.

Athey is the only incumbent up for reelection this year. He has just completed his first two-year term on city council. Major issues facing the councilman during that time have varied from traffic to improving relationships between the city and University

"One of my major concerns for my district is traffic," Athey said. "I have worked on a lot of traffic calming measures, particularly on Kells Avenue and West

He also labored on creating a Memorandum of Understanding for city and university officials. While it has yet to receive an official response from the university, the document encourages open dialogue between the two entities. The memo highlights the importance of clarity in the areas of growth and foreseeable devel-

Before serving on council, Athey was a member of the Town and Gown committee for three years and the Traffic Relief com-

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Incumbent Athey

Athey's opponent, Rob Foraker, is not afraid to speak his mind and what has been weighing on his mind is the lack of community participation in Newark.

want to try to get people involved in their community," he said. "I think our representatives ought to take more of a community-based approach. That's why I ran. We've got to get together on this.

Foraker, a delivery man for the Cleveland Avenue Sub Shop, said that he also wants to increase the university's responsibility for its students.

"I'm a delivery guy. I see everything," he said. "I see so many kids going into the dorms with a 12-pack or a 30-pack of beer. They need more supervision in the dorms.

Before running for council, Foraker has been a member of the College Park Neighborhood Association for three years and has served as an activist in that neighborhood.

District 4 is centered around West Park Place and stretches as far east as Courtney Street and as far west as Elkton Road.

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Pomeroy is in without opposition

The lone candidate to file for the District 1 seat is Paul Pomeroy, who will be sworn into office with the election winners.

Pomeroy, an advertising executive with Aloysius, Butler and Clark, has been an active member of Newark politics in recent months. His first attempt at elected office was in November when he vigorously challenged Theresa Schooley for a seat as State Representative. He lost the close election by a margin of less than 7 percent.



from the public eye. During the peak of a series of home invasions, Pomeroy sponsored the first of several public information meetings on increasing home safety. He also organized a meeting about the

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Newark Country Club. Pomeroy is a member of local groups such as the Operation Disarm Support Foundation, Young Donor Advisor Board of the Blood Bank of Delaware, Newark Rotary and the Delaware

State Chamber of Commerce. "There are many important issues that I plan to address, but certainly general safety and quality of life issues are important," he said, "and anything that we can do to entice more businesses and visitors to come to enjoy all that Newark has to offer is an important goal of mine.'

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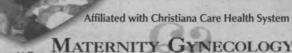
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Trivits recalls gifts of gas rationing stamps

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roomed. The dairy expanded its product line to include ice cream, butter and cottage cheese. With the acquisition of two local dairies in the 1930s, Richards found himself out of space on Choate Street.

In 1939, what is now The Trap restaurant at Elkton Road and Amstel Avenue became the home of Richards Dairy. It operated in that location until 1975, when it became a High's Dairy Store.

Munyan offered no explanation but reported that in 1944, her father mysteriously sold Richards Dairy to a competitor, Wallace Williams, but one year later, bought it back. "I just don't know why he did that," she said.

Soon, Richards formed a partnership with his son-in-law, Alex Richards, who became owner in 1953 when Munyan's father retired.

Munyan ended her remininscences by detailing how, after handling all the day-to-day operations of a growing business, her father would go out collecting household accounts. "Many of our customers worked in the mills in Newark and got paid every two weeks. That's when my father would go out collecting from the people to whom he had delivered dairy products," Munyan said.

DIAMOND ICE & COAL

IKE the other panelist, lifelong Newark resident O. Eugene Trivits had fond memories of growing up in family businesses in spite of the demands. Through the years, the Trivits operated an ice house, service station, appliance store and Pontiac dealership, all in downtown Newark.

Trivitts' father, Oscar, operated the combination ice house and service station at Main and Haines streets, which eventually became the site of the Newark Diner.

In 1941 as a young man, Trivits was "called to work" after school. "World War II was on and Dad needed my help," Trivits said. He remembered washing and waxing cars, crushing ice for shipment to restaurants, and moving 300pound blocks of ice off delivery trucks and into the ice house, all for a salary of \$3 a week.

Trivits recalled gas rationing during the war years. "People were so good. They'd bring in unused rationing stamps and told me to 'give them to someone who needs them," Trivits said. He also remembered driving a service truck at the tender age of 12. "We had an arrangement with the police that I could go out and change flat tires," Trivits said, "Whatever it took to take care of our customers." Trivits said his father set high standards. "If I didn't offer to check the oil, wash the windshield and headlights and say 'good morning,' my father would go nuts."

In addition to peddling ice, coal, gas and oil, the elder Trivits slowly started offering other goods like toys, Christmas decorations and table radios, for sale. "Dad saw the future. With World War II coming to an end, ice boxes were being replaced by refrigerators.

His father opened Trivits Appliances on Main Street selling new-fangled ice boxes manufactured by Philco and Kelvinator. Trivits bragged that his father was the first dealer in Delaware to buy railroad box carloads of refrigerators, a practice not employed by larger appliance stores in Wilmington. Why? "Dad figured he could make \$30 more profit on each unit," Trivits explained.

When the store began selling televisions, Trivits' father put one in the storefront and connected an outside speaker. "People would gather out front in large groups and watch TV for a long time," he said.

When the ice business melted, Trivits moved his service station to the plot across from Newark Shopping Center that now houses a muffler shop. His father later decided to sell cars and opened Trivits Pontiac in the building that today is the home of Camera Etc. It was not a wise business move. "We were a sub-dealer to Union Park in Wilmington. They would decide what cars we got to sell and we couldn't advertise," Trivits said. Eventually his father sold the dealership and it remains today on East Cleveland Avenue as Nucar Pontiac-Buick-GMC.



More programs expected

S IMILAR panel presentations are planned, said Robert O. Thomas, a founder and current president of the historical group. As the group approaches its 25th year - it begins in October - a variety of silver anniversary projects are in the works. "We want to reactivate our collection of oral histories, produce more newsletters, and hold more programs like this," Thomas said. He invited suggestions for anniversary events and urged society members to "invent your own project."

Thomas reported the historical group's coffers had grown by nearly \$1,000 recently though memorial donations made in the name of James B. Owen. "It was in this room (city council chambers) that Mr. Owen made the motion that led to the creation of the historical society," Thomas said in tribute to the former teacher and historian, who died Feb. 28.

The group's annual dinner this spring will feature a presentation on a subject that has been in recent headlines. Thomas said noted local writer and Newark Post columnist Elbert Chance will offer a detailed history of the Newark Country Club at the May event.

For more information about the society, call 737-0643.



As Gene Trivits delivered his recollections last week, a pair of ice tongs from Diamond Ice and Coal sat on the table. Trivits used the equipment to move large blocks of ice at his family's business. He demonstrated the use of the tongs to the crowd inside council chambers.



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68,000 gallons."

Stritzinger said the 72-hour well test he completed last month shows beyond any doubt that up to 232,000 gallons of water could be produced on his property each day.

But rather than submit data that he knows will not meet the county's requirement, Stritzinger said he is now asking the Cecil County commissioners to either amend the 400,000 gallon standard, or deny his request so he can submit a new one at a more achievable level of 232,000 gallons a day.

"There's enough water for Aston Pointe and enough for the county to reduce its reliance on an out-of-state water provider," Stritzinger said. "Isn't that the bottom line that the commissioners were going for?"

The answer to that question was unclear, as was the process the developer would have to follow to get his request for a master water and sewer amendment heard.

Cecil County Commissioners President Nelson Bolender said April 4 he was unsure if the board would be willing to negotiate the 400,000 gallons a day they agreed to four months ago.

He noted that the 232,000 gallons Stritzinger says he can provide would not completely cover the 240,000 gallons of water the county now purchases from United Water of Delaware each day.

day. "I'm not sure what he has to do now and I'm not sure what the county commissioners have to do," Bolender said. "We haven't talked about it yet, but I'm sure we will soon."

Meanwhile, Stritzinger continued the mantra of civic pride he has repeated since first proposing the Aston Pointe community, a private golf course and commercial area southeast of the Route 273 and Appleton Road intersection more than a year ago.

tion more than a year ago. "I want to help the county get the water it needs," he said. "Under my original proposal, the county would own the water and I would turn around and buy it back from them for Aston Pointe. But if I have to, I can ask to withdraw the water myself and sell what I don't need to a private company."

Stritzinger's Aston Pointe proposal was scheduled to come before the Cecil County Technical Advisory Committee Wednesday, April 6. The advisory panel comments on proposed subdivisions. It does not vote on proposals or take public comment.

Stritzinger could seek to pass the second of Cecil, County's three-phase subdivision process

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Legacy of Newark man killed in Iraq carries on

At first, he tried to win over their hearts by handing out Starbursts and other candy.

But when a fellow soldier's Christmas package included three Beanie Babies, McGowan knew they would be perfect to lift the local children's spirits. He grabbed them and headed into town. When one of the Iraqi girls saw what McGowan had in his hands, her face burst into a smile and she disappeared, returning with her father. Through hand gestures, the group was able to communicate and the father gave his daughter permission to accept the gift.

From that point on, McGowan seized every opportunity to hand out gifts to Iraqi children. For Christmas, he even told family members not to buy anything for him, but to send presents that he could pass out.

"Not everyone here is our enemy," McGowan wrote home in an e-mail. "A lot of these people just want the chance to live a decent life and raise their children in safety. True, we do find weapon caches and fight insurgents, but the children are the ones who suffer here. I will always be a soldier first, but I truly enjoy when I can be a friend as well."

His mother, Bobbie McGowan was so touched by what her son was doing, that she rallied students at Wilmington Charter School, where she is the Dean of Humanities, to bring in their old Beanie Babies. The students



Cpl. Stephen McGowan enjoyed handing out toys like Beanie Babies to children in Iraq before he was killed by a roadside bomb. A volunteer group called the RGF Foundation has continued his legacy and generosity by collecting the plush figures to send to soldiers to distribute in Iraq. responded with overwhelming enthusiasm. "I was inundated," she said. "I still have seven more boxes to send."

After Stephen was killed by a roadside bomb in March, word of his generosity and the Beanie Babies campaign spread. Members of the Ronald G. Williams, Jr., Foundation caught wind of it and quickly decided it was something they could help out with.

"Our foundation is all about legacy,"saidJenniferHawkins,cofounder of the RGW Foundation. "We honor people that lead their lives and leave something once gone. [The Beanie Baby drive] was our chance to carry out his legacy and pass the torch."

The drive, which collected approximately 3,000 dolls from all across the nation, has put smiles on the faces of Iraqi children and one very deserving mother.

"I'm deeply honored," said McGowan's mom. "If you have to lose a son, this is one of the ways that you can come to grips with such a loss. When I see that he brought this kind of goodness into the world, then I know that the sacrifice was worth while. It is a deep and profound personal loss, but I can look and see what a good job he did with his 26 years, and see what a blessing he was to so many people."

Extra Beanie Babies or donations to cover shipping costs can be dropped off at any State Police troop headquarters. For more information about the drive or the RGW Foundation, call 893-0177.





Delaware State Police helped sort through the 3,000 Beanie Babies collected in Cpl. Stephen McGowan's memory.

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NEWARK POST * IN THE NEWS

Wearing your child's artwork

Designs transformed into priceless pieces of jewelry

By ROBIN BROOMALL

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

VERY child is a genius when born - at least in their parents' eyes. Now that childhood genius can be transformed into something that will last a lifetime

Children's art can be made into wearable jewelry that is one of a kind and sure to please moms, dads, grandparents and special aunts and uncles.

Through the creative fingers of Clay Moore, master jeweler for Minster's Jewelers in the Newark Shopping Center, a child's drawing or painting can be made into a pendant, tie tac or

pin, made of sterling silver and 14k gold.

Moore will take any size original artwork and reduce it on a copier. Then he traces just a figure or specific part of the artwork onto a sheet of sterling silver. Meticulously, he cuts out the figure, adds arms, legs or any other tentacles as on the original design.

Enamel paints add color and details like in the drawing, add-

ing depth and character to the piece. Full art pictures can be made into little rectangles, with detail in miniature and intricate cutouts.

Pieces can be as tiny as half an inch high or as big as several inches.

He's done smiley faces, puppy dogs, snowmen, flowers and stylized people, along with pictures of gardens with blazing suns and starry nights.

"It's a lot of fun," sai said Marilyn Minster. "We've had some really interesting pieces." One child had drawn her grandfather with a purple beard, so, of course, Moore had to paint the beard purple on the pendant.

Minster's has been offering the customized art-work jewelry for five years. Customized jewelry is "our forte" said Minster. Her family has been in the jewelry business since 1895.

Moore, who has been with the Newark store for five years, grew up in "an artsy family" and developed his love of making jewelry in high school. He is a graduate of Gem City College in jewelry repair, diamond setting and design. He continued his education at Tampa Bay Jewelry School graduating in diamond setting, jewelry setting, wax design and

casting. He received his Certified Bench Jeweler Certificate. Not only does he manage the jewelry repair shop and oversee two jewelers and

diamond purchasing, he is also the jeweler for Something Else, creating one-of-a-kind pieces designed by Marilyn Minster, her daughter Melissa and himself.

Newark Arts Alliance to begin fourth year of Camp Imagine program

OR the fourth year, the Newark Arts Alliance will make an affordable arts experience available to area children.

Registrations are now being accepted for "Camp Imagine," a scholarship-based program that will serve 36 campers, ages 7-13.

Twenty-four spaces will be completely or partially subsidized, and 12 are being reserved for non-scholarship applicants.

The camp will run Monday through Friday, July 18-29, from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at

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the Newark Center for Creative Learning in Newark. The youngsters will explore a variety of visual arts, theater, creative writing and dance, taught by local instructors and artists. Breakfast, lunch, snacks and a camp T-shirt are included in the fee.

Non-scholarship applicants pay the full tuition of \$550.

The camp is offered free to children from families that qualify under the program's annual income guidelines:

Family of 2: \$18,200

Family of 3: \$20,500

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Family of 4: \$22,750

Family of 5: \$26,550 Students from families with higher annual incomes may qualify for significant discounts of up to \$475.

Participants do not need to be Newark residents. Transportation to and from the camp must be provided by the parent of guardian. Before and after camp care is available for \$3 per hour.

Camp Imagine is made possible by support from the city of Newark revenue sharing funds, a donation from Kraft Foods, and overall support from the NAA.

To learn more about this program and to obtain a brochure, call the NAA at 266-7266 or stop by the NAA building at 100 Elkton Rd. Hours are Tuesday-Friday, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday, noon - 4 p.m.; closed Monday.

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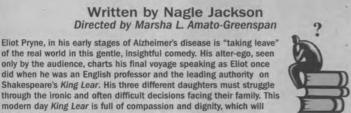


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Baseball moves front and center

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Baseball will move to the forefront of local action as we get deeper into April. One of the first things that will be interesting to see is how the Blue Rocks fare as a member of the Boston Red Sox organization as opposed to how they did under the Kansas City Royals.

This spring has been an adjustment for everyone involved with

the Blue Rocks. All the familiarity they had with Royals and they way they did things is now gone. A new

organization Valania means new

philosophies. How much different is the Red Sox than Kansas City's.

One thing is for certain is that many people around here can identify more with the Red Sox than the Royals.

They may like the Red Sox or they may hate them, but, more than likely, they have some kind of feeling about the team.

Little League getting underway

Teams have practiced through some miserable weather but this week finally brought some spring-like temperatures for the hundreds of youth baseball and softball players in our area.

Most leagues have been practicing for a few weeks and some will get underway with real games this weekend. Others will wait another week or two.

No matter when they start, remember there have been a large amount of people that have been working for months in preparation for the upcoming season. Take time to thank the many volunteers that allow your children the opportunity to play.

Keith pitches Newark to victory

Jacket strikes out 10 in win over McKean

By JOE BACKER

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

The Newark High baseball team improved its record to 3-1 on the young season with a 2-0 home victory over McKean Tuesday afternoon in a non-conference contest. This was a classic pitcher's duel from the outset, with the two teams meeting for the first time

since last year's semifinal game in the state tournament won by Newark 1-0 in 10 innings. Newark's Jordan Keith, however, was just a bit better than Highlander's ace Cameron ace Cameron Saienni.

Keith allowed only three hits in pitching the complete game shutout. He struck out 10 batters for the second straight game, including the last five McKean batters.

"I threw mostly fastballs, curveballs and sliders today, my change-up wasn't really working early, so I stopped throwing it today," said Keith. Keith.

Saienni turned in a gutsy per-formance, scattering five hits in his six innings of work. He also had eight strikeouts, two walks and hit one batter for the 2-1 Highlanders. Unfortunately, his team's defense let him down early.

In the bottom of the first, Todd Heller led off with a single. He advanced to second on an error off the bat of Jason Przytulski, and scored when Scott Gardner drilled a shot through the legs of the McKean third baseman for a 1-0 lead. Both pitchers took care of business for the next few innings.

McKean threatened in the fifth as two batters reached, but Keith retired the side when Saienni hit a deep fly to end the inning. Newark added an insurance run in the bottom of the sixth, when Przytulski stroked a single to center and scored on a line-drive double to right center off the bat of Matt Botting for a 2-0 lead. Keith said he was glad for the insurance run late in the game.

"Matt really crushed the ball," said Keith. "That extra run was really big for us and gave us a huge lift at the end of the game.'

Junior Todd Davison had two hits in Sunday's first game against Towson at Hannah Field.

Hens swept on Sunday

The University of Delaware baseball team dropped a doubleheader with Towson University on Sunday at Bob Hannah Stadium falling 12-2 in the first game and 20-19 in the second game during an offensive afternoon that witnessed a total of 53 runs on 59 hits.

Delaware drops to 11-15 and 3-3 in the CAA while Towson improves to 13-11 and is also 3-3 in league play thanks to an afternoon where 11 balls left Hannah Stadium including two grand slams, three three run homers, a two-run blast, and five solo shots.

In the first game Towson used two four-run innings led by two three-run home runs coming from Casper Wells and Mark Chiccini to claim the 12-2 victo-

Twelve pitchers were featured in the nightcap between the Hens and Tigers, seven of which were Towson relief pitchers. Four of Towson's eight pitchers came in the first inning as three pitching changes were made during Delaware's 14-run first inning.

In the second game Delaware allowed 20 runs for the first time since 2002 when the Blue Hens fell to UNC Wilmington 20-2. The 39 runs scored between the two teams is the most runs in a game involving Delaware since a 23-19 loss to William & Mary in

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Blue Hens drop two to Towson

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2000. The back and forth game saw five lead changes. It came to a close when the Tigers regained the lead for the last time in the top of the ninth when A.J. Tinnerella hit a game-winning single that sent Hans Falkenhan home after he reached on an error.

In the first game the Tigers tallied 12 hits and left 10 stranded on the bases in the victory claimed by righthanded pitcher Chris Rhoades (2-2). Rhoades went the distance for Towson and allowed only one earned run while striking out five in the seven inning contest. Brent Gaphardt (Bel Air, MD/Dundalk) (1-4) suffered the loss, allowing seven earned runs in 2.1 innings pitched for the Hens after coming off a no-hitter.

Bryan Hagerich (Somerset, PA/Somerset) went deep to left in the bottom of the sixth for his fifth home run of the season as Todd Davison (Somers Point, NJ/St. Augustine) added a pair of hits on three at bats and Jason Rogers (New Castle, DE/WIlliam Penn) and Ryan Graham (Danville, IL/Triton) each singled to round out the Hens' six hits.

Chiccini and Brian Schreiter each chipped in three hits and a double a piece while Wells added a double to go along with his home run and Kyle Skellchock doubled in his only at bat as a pinch hitter in the ninth.

The Blue Hens got on the board in the bottom of the first inning when Brock Donovan (New Castle, DE/William Penn) reached on a throwing error and scored when Davison singled up the middle. With the Towson lead cut to 4-1 the Tigers put together a three run third inning and a one-run fourth to give Towson a commanding 8-1 lead.

In the second game Adam (Pottstown, Tsakonas PA/Boyertown Area), Brian Valichka (Frederick, Brent Rogers MD/Urbana), (Claymont, DE/Mt. Pleasant) and Davison all recorded three hits apiece, drove in at least one run, and scored at least twice as all of Davison's hits went for extra bases. Valichka and Brandon (Wilmington, Menchaca DE/Concord) each had solo home runs in the contest while Valichka also added a double.

Towson was led by Justis who had four hits, two doubles, and five runs scored. He was complemented by Schreiter who chipped in three hits and Jason Maxey who also tallied three hits, two of which were home runs.

Jason Rogers (1-2) took the loss for Delaware after relieving Billy Harris in the eighth who allowed three runs, one earned, on four hits. Jon Tapper (1-1) recorded the win for the Tigers after relieving Matt Holley in the eighth. Tapper was one of only two pitchers to allow no runs during the afternoon, which also included Towson reliever Dennis Lane.

The Tigers picked right up where they left off in the second game as Heffron left the park with a two run shot, his third of the season, to give Towson a 2-0 start in the first inning.

Delaware answered right back in the bottom of the inning with a 13 run,10 hit two out rally highlighted by a Dan Richardson (Bear, DE/Caravel) grand slam to center field. Davison went 2-for-2 with two doubles in the inning as Graham and Adam Tsakonas (Pottstown, PA/Boyertown Area) each doubled. Every Blue Hen batter reached home duringthe inning and every Delaware batter recorded a hit with the exception of Donovan, who walked and was credited for two of Delaware's three outs as the Hens batted through the order twice.

Towson slowly climbed back by scoring six unanswered runs before Delaware could get back on the board with a run in the bottom of the sixth. It wasn't enough to hold back the Tigers however as the Towson offense totaled the second largest runscoring inning on the afternoon, putting seven on the board in the top of the seventh to even the score at 15-15.

The Towson seventh inning was highlighted by Schreiter's grand slam, which brought the Tigers to within one run of the tie. Jeremy Stifler led off the inning after being hit by a pitch and scored on singles by Justis and Heffron. Towson capped off the inning when Maxey blasted his second home run of the game deep to right field for the tie.

Delaware returned the favor in the bottom of the inning with a pair of home runs of its own by Menchaca and Valichka to regain the lead 17-15, but the Tigers roared back. In the top of the eighth Justis had a lead off single and was advanced to third when Falkenhan doubled down the left field line. They both scored when Chiccini singled to left and Towson regained the lead when Schreiter doubled to right field, scoring Pat Fields.

In the bottom of the eighth, Davison tripled to score Graham who reached on a walk and Davison scored when Tsakonas singled to once again give Delaware the lead.

Delaware takes to the road on Thursday, April 7 when the Blue Hens face Temple in a single game slated for 3 p.m.

FINALLY, SOME SPRING WEATHER



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY SCOTT MCALLISTER

With temperatures soaring into the 70s during the middle of the week, it was a chance for the spring sports season to finally get into full swing.

Blue Rocks set to open season

Season will be the first in the Red Sox organization

The Wilmingon Blue Rocks return to Carolina League action this week with a four-game set against the Myrtle Beach Pelicans in South Carolina. The Blue Rocks are now part of the Boston Red Sox organization after twelve successful years as the Class A affiliate of the Kansas Royals. City Rocks owner Matt Minker said he's delighted to be part of the Red Sox family. "It's been tough in spring training this year, because in year's past we knew who was coming to the Blue Rocks. This year, we had to get out a scorecard to get the numbers, so it's a little bit different now

Wilmington's new coach Dann Bilardello said this entire squad has never played together before, "but a nucleus of players were together last year." Bilardello said pitching will be the strength of this year's team.

"I think we have some outstanding pitchers who have a nice blend of experience and youth," he said.

The starters include righthanders Jarrett Gardner, Luis Mendoza, Anibal Sanchez and Jose Vaquedano, as well as lefties Randy Beam and Joe Rogers. Last season Gardner had a 14-7 record with a 2.62 ERA, and Beam was 3-3 with 12 saves and an ERA of 0.68.

The Rocks will carry three catchers, Dusty Brown, Clint Chauncey and Jeff Ontiveros. Bilardello said he anticipates the Rocks have a solid infield in 2005 with the likes of Ian Bladergroen (1B), Zach Borowiak (2b), and Dirimo Chavez (2B), Iggy Suarez (SS), and Scott White (3B/DH) and Chad Spann (3B/DH). Last season Bladergroen .342 with 13 home runs and 74 RBI. Suarrez, a native of New York, said he's pleased and excited to play in Frawley Stadium. "Just looking around, this is a

"Just looking around, this is a great facility. I've heard the attendance is very good here, and it will be nice to play in front of a big crowd every night," he said. The Rocks will rotate four outfielders, Pat Boran, Bryan Goetz, Mickey Hall and Greg Stone. Minker said the stadium, on South Madison Street in Wilmington, will feature a new television screen in the outfield.

"It's state of the art, just like the one in Philadelphia, and we hope it will help people enjoy the games more when they visit," he said.

The Rocks open their home schedule Friday, April 15th, when they host the Salem Avalanche for a three-game weekend set.

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Flatley interim director of public safety at UD

AWRENCE O. Thornton Jr., director of public safety at the University of Delaware since 1997, is joining the ranks of the retired, effective June 30, and he is on vacation from April 4 until June 30. James J. Flatley has been named interim director, effective April 4. Maxine R. Colm, vice president for administration, made the announcements.

"I have enjoyed the opportunity to work with Larry Thornton," Colm said. "Under his leadership, we have made great strides in diversifying the Department of Public Safety, increasing both the number of women and officers of color.

"In addition, Larry spearheaded a community policing approach to campus safety that reaches out to students, faculty and staff, with particular involvement of officers with students in the residence halls," Colm said.

"We appreciate all that Larry Thornton has done for the department and wish him well in retirement," she said.

"Jim Flatley brings extensive

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knowledge and experience to his new position," Colm said. "He has been part of our public safety department for more than 25 years and has served in administrative positions here for nearly 20 years. I am pleased he has accepted this interim position."

"The past 18-plus years have been a rewarding experience," Thornton said. "I have watched the department evolve as a professional organization, and that has been made possible by the hard work and professional dedication of our staff. I thank them all for that. I am confident that, under the leadership of Capt. Flatley, the Department of Public Safety will continue to meet its future challenges and goals."

"My goal is to build upon the success we have achieved and to continue the progress we have made in the department," Flatley said. "I am particularly interested in completing the accreditation process we recently started in the department. I also plan to work with my colleagues to make sure they have the training and resources they need to be effi-

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Flatley on campus.

cient and successful." A graduate of Trenton State College, Flatley holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. College, Flatley holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. College, Flatley holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. College, Flatley holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. College, Flatley holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. College, Flatley holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. College, Flatley holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. College, Flatley holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. College, Flatley holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. College, Flatley holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. College, Flatley holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. College, Flatley holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. College, Flatley holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. College, Flatley holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. College, Flatley holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. College, Flatley holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. College, Flatley holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. College, Flatley holds a bachecollege, Flatley holds a bache-College, Fla

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He was a police officer with the city of Baltimore for three years before joining UD's Department of Public Safety in 1978 as an investigator in the patrol division. From 1979-81, he was assigned to the city of Newark Police Department's Criminal Investigations Division in a pilot program.

In 1981, Flatley joined the Crime Prevention, Investigations, Personnel and Training section of UD's Department of Public Safety, and he was reclassified as a senior investigator.

Flatley, who is a graduate of the FBI National Academy, was promoted to assistant direc-See FLATLEY, 31

Day-long White Clay Creek forum next week

The White Clay Creek Wild and Scenic Program will host a day-long forum about the creek on April 14.

Gardeners, recreational users, historians, citizens, decisionmakers, and college students will gain tools at the conference to effectively respond to increased watershed development.

There will also be internationally-known speakers including landscape consultant and author Rick Darke and Executive Director of the Stroud Water Research Center, Dr. Bernard Sweeney.

The forum will run from 8 a.m through 3:30 p.m. at Clayton Hall on the University of Delaware's campus. There is a \$10 registration fee. Visit www.whiteclay. org or call 731-1756 for more information.



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Task force to review special ed services

By ROBIN BROOMALL

...... NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

HE Christina School District has formed a Superintendent's Review panel to evaluate the special education programs that are currently offered to students with mild and moderate to severe disabilities.

The panel is also looking at the structure and roles of the Special Services department, which includes the NETworks program for special needs students in the high schools.

"Dr. Wise wanted to look at the whole special services department," said Sally Farr, director of the department. "Are we on target? What are our strengths, needs? Where do we go from here?

By getting a picture of the over all program for students with special physical and intel-lectual needs, a strategic plan will be developed for students with disabilities across the district.

Two outside consultants have been interviewing administra-tors, staff, teachers of regular and special education students and touring the schools that now include students from the special programs.

Three main hypotheses being

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SALLY FARR

DIRECTOR, SPECIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

investigated are:

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Students with disabilities should be given educational opportunities that are rigorous and have high expectations; They should be included in

regular school activities, along with their peers, in activities that are meaningful; and The Special Services depart-

ment should support the educational programs of students with disabilities.

Given the expectations of high academic rigor for all students in the Christina schools, as outlined in Superintendent Dr. Joseph Wise's Transformation plan and approved by the Board

of Education in April 2004, this | review will assure that all students attending district schools are included.

The consultants are looking at staff development and recruitment, assessment tools, the role of building administrators in developing the programs, financial resources and the accessibility of the buildings themselves for students with disabilities.

The review panel will look at the REACH, autism program and Sterck School for the Deaf, and develop a model for including those students in regular school activities.

Many students are already included in the regular activities in several elementary, middle and high schools throughout the Christina District.

A summary of the review panel's findings and recommendations will be presented to the Board of Education at the May 10 meeting, at Gauger/Cobbs Middle School, 50 Gender Road.



2d 'town conversation' slated April 14 here

HENewark Town and Gown Committee will host the second Town Conversation at 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 14, at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark.

The Town and Gown Committee is a group of city, community and University of Delaware representatives dedicated to addressing issues affecting the campus and Newark community. The Town Conversation is an open forum designed for interested persons to express concerns and discuss the relationship between the city of Newark and the University of Delaware. At the first Town Conversation

meeting last fall, discussion centered on three primary areas: alcohol abuse and the need for cooperative efforts to address it; efforts to achieve a mutually beneficial relationship between the city and the university; and acceptance and inclusion of UD students as responsible members of the larger Newark community.

"This second Town Conversation will focus on the three primary areas of concern and will include brief presentations and smaller breakout brainstorming discussions," said Ron information.

Have an opinion?

Here's your chance to voice

 The meeting will start at 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 14

 The church is located at 420 Willa Road, off of West Park Place, just behind West Park Elementary School

Smith, chair of the Town and Gown Committee. "We believe that this will provide a path for answers to the concerns expressed at our fall meeting and will allow our stakeholders the opportunity to help determine solutions."

Smith said that he hopes the smaller group conversation will provide an opportunity for resi-dents with different perspectives to listen to each other and brain storm possible solutions to city problems.

The Town Conversation will begin with refreshments and an informal meet and greet session from 7 till 7:30 p.m. All are invited. Look for more information at www.udel.edu/iown&gong of Shop Anyon Stores - 622 Nover

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BRIEFLY

UD's grad programs among nation's best

HE University of Delaware's graduate program in chemical engineering is again rated among the 10 best in the nation, the criminology doctoral program is ranked 14th and graduate teacher education at UD has moved higher in the top ranks in the forthcoming 2006 edition of U.S.News & World Report's "America's Best Graduate Schools.'

New ratings for the 2006 edition also include graduate programs in other engineering disciplines, as well as the departments of English, history and psychology. "America's Best Graduate

Schools," a newsstand book, will be available on April 4, and some of the ranking information also will appear in the April 11 edition of U.S.News & World Report.

Lectures mark Math Awareness Month

The Department of Mathematical Sciences at the University of Delaware is hosting "Math and the Cosmos," a series of lectures during April to celebrate Math Awareness Month.

The lectures are free, open to the public and planned for a general audience. William H. Matthaeus,

UD professor of physics, will speak on a topic to be announced from 4-5 p.m., Friday, April 15, in 115 Purnell Hall;

"This Small World the Great," with Eleftherios Economou, of the Research Center of Crete, Greece, 4-5 p.m., Wednesday, April 27, in 130 Sharp Laboratory. The lecture is cosponsored by the Department of Physics; and

"Refraction in Outer Space," with Akhlesh Lakhtakia, Distinguished Professor of Engineering Science and Mechanics, Pennsylvania State University, 4-5 p.m., Wednesday, May 4, in 130 Smith Hall.

Refreshments will be served after all lectures in 436 Ewing Hall.

For more information, visit www.math.udel.edu/ news/mam_05/mam05 an.html or call 831-2653

'Uncle Vanya' opens PTTP season

HE University of Delaware's Professional HE of Theatre Training Program (PTTP) continues with its 2004-05 season at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, April 16, in Hartshorn Hall, Academy Street and East Delaware Avenue, on UD's Newark campus, with Anton Chekhov's Uncle Vanya. The classic will be presented in rotating repertory, in which two or more plays are presented on an alternating schedule with the same actors, with William Shakespeare's Much Ado About Nothing, which pre-mieres Wednesday, April 20.

The performances will be pre-sented by 24 actors, 10 technical directors and six stage manag-ers, who are enrolled at PTTP for three years of concentrated training.

Uncle Vanya is a masterpiece of modern drama, in which a disruptive visit by an ailing professor and his very young and beau-tiful second wife to his provincial Russian estate sets off an escalating spiral of both humorous and tragic events for the members of the household and their associates. Sonya, the professor's daughter from his first marriage, and her Uncle Vanya, both having given up their lives to manage the estate, must deal with the painful recognition that their aspirations, hopes and desires are nothing more than mere illusions

In Much Ado About Nothing, a military war has just ended, but the "merry war" between the confirmed bachelor Benedick and the haughty lady Beatrice rages on in a cascade of wit. Can their friends trick them into falling in love instead? Can the devotion of their friend Claudio and his fiance Hero survive the evil Don John's vicious lies? Will the bumbling constable Dogberry save the day so that the course of true love may yet run smooth?

A "Meet The Company" reception will be held after the 7:30 p.m. performance on Saturday, April 16, and Wednesday, April 20.

PTTP students are selected once every four years to pursue master's degrees in fine arts. The group is chosen through an extensive search throughout the United States in the year between the graduation of one class and the beginning of the next class. Training is focused on plays from the classic repertoire and the program seeks students who are particularly interested in the classics.

UD's theatre department offers a bachelor's degree in theatre production for students interested in learning about costume production, stage management and technical production. The students' practical experiences include participating in the production of PTTP plays. The department also offers a theatre minor, designed to give students a foundation in the viewing of theatre, as well as the art and craft of the theatre.

For more information and to order tickets, visit www.udel.edu/ theatre or call 831-2204.

Uncle Vanya performance schedule:

- Saturday, April 16, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, April 21, 7:30 p.m.
- Friday, April 22, 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 27, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, April 30, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, May 5, 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 6,
- 7:30 p.m.

Much Ado About Nothing performance schedule:

- Wednesday, April 20, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 23,
- 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, April 26, 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, April 28, 7:30 p.m.
- Friday, April 29, 7:30 p.m.
- Sunday, May 1, 2 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 4, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.



2005 Truman Scholars named

University Delaware students have

been named 2005 Truman Scholars, bringing the total number of recipients to

15 and placing the University among the top 10 percent of colleges and universities with students who have received the prestigious award since was founded three decades ago. Dalit Gulak, a

junior foreign lan-Isherwood guages and litera-

tures major from Harpswell, Maine, and Thomas Isherwood, a senior international relations major, are among 75 students from 65 U.S. colleges and universities who will receive in Newark.

the awards during a formal ceremony on Sunday, May 22, at the Truman Library in Independence, Mo., after attending the Truman

Scholars Leadership Week, leadership development program, at William Jewell College in Liberty, Mo.

The students will be joined at the awards ceremony by Katharine Kerrane, senior associate director of UD's Honors

Program, who will be honored along with 15 other scholarship advisers for their efforts and success in preparing Truman Scholars. Kerrane lives

Last year, UD was one of only three institutions that were recognized as a Truman Foundation Honor Institution, joining a select group of 49 institutions that have received the honor in the foundation's 30-year history. Past recipients include Columbia, Duke, Georgetown, Harvard, Princeton and Yale universities.

Selection of UD as an Honor Institution was based on the University's active encouragement of outstanding young people to pursue careers in public service, its sustained success in helping its students win Truman Scholarships and having a current Truman Scholar.

The scholarship provides \$30,000 for graduate study. Scholars also receive priority admission and supplemental financial aid at some premier



graduate institutions, leadership training, career and graduate school counseling and special internship opportunities within the federal government. Recipients must be U.S. citi-

zens, have outstanding leader-See SCHOLARS, 23



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UD poultry researchers target ammonia emissions

THE University of Delaware continues to develop and improve new technologies to help the poultry industry

gies to help the poultry industry address problems associated with poultry houses, including ammonia emissions.

The results of these efforts, including a host of high-tech measuring and monitoring systems, were showcased during an open house held March 23 at the Jones Hamilton Environmental Poultry and Demonstration House, located at the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources' Research and Education Center in Georgetown.

Dedicated in 2003, the 4500square-foot, 6,000-bird capacity poultry research and demonstration house was partially funded by a \$70,000 gift from Jones-Hamilton Co., a manufacturer of agricultural products, including poultry litter treatment. The University and Jones-Hamilton jointly use the facility for independent research, as well as for collaborative projects.

At the meeting, Bud Malone, UD Cooperative Extension poultry specialist, said ammonia emissions are a challenge the poultry industry will have to face and that growers eventually will need to comply with whatever standards the EPA adopts.

While the effects of the EPA agreement for growers are com-

plex, Malone said the Jones-Hamilton house is a means to find practical, cost-effective technologies that can be implemented to help comply with future emission challenges.

"These also will help us deal with the consequences of urban encroachment around poultry houses, such as more nuisance complaints," Malone said.

The house and its upgraded technology will allow researchers to develop strategies for the improvement of litter and indoor air-quality emissions from houses and to measure the response to these strategies, Malone said.



Monitoring equipment was demonstrated at the open house.

'The Frog Prince' play at UD

THE Gingerbread Players & Jack will present a production of The Frog Prince in the University of Delaware's 2004-05 Family Performing Arts Series at 2 p.m., Sunday, April 24, in Mitchell Hall, The Green, on UD's Newark campus.

The Frog Prince, an unusual play for children that holds audiences riveted to their seats, is poetic and genuinely funny with a dramatic quality centered on family dynamics and misunderstanding.

Tickets are \$17 for the general public, \$12 for UD faculty, staff, alumni and senior citizens and \$5 for students and children. A 15 percent discount is available for group sales of 20 or more tickets per show.

For tickets, call the Hartshorn box office at (302) 831-2204, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Mondays through Fridays.

At noon, Friday, April 22, the

Hartshorn box office will stop selling tickets for the performance to allow for the transition to the Mitchell Hall box office. Any remaining tickets will be available for purchase in person at the Mitchell Hall box office beginning one hour before the scheduled start time of the performance.

For more information, visit [www.udel.edu/performingarts], send e-mail to [performingarts@udel.edu] or call (302) 831-8741.

The University of Delaware 2004-05 Performing Arts Series and Family Series are made possible, in part, by grants from the Delaware Division of the Arts, a state agency committed to promoting and supporting the arts in Delaware, as well as support by Barba & Reynolds Insurance Agency, Embassy Suites-Newark/ Wilmington South and Arby's. Newark man injured in early morning crash

THE Delaware State Police is investigating a single-vehicle crash, which critically injured Newark resident Steven Smith, 27.

On Wednesday, April 6, at about 2:15 a.m., Smith's 1995 Nissan Maxima was traveling southbound on Old Baltimore Pike, north of Salem Church Road, police said. Smith apparently lost control of his vehicle for an unknown reason, which caused the vehicle to leave the roadway.

The Maxima struck a large tree that was situated along the west edge of the roadway, troopers reported.

Smith was trapped in the vehicle for approximately 20 minutes prior to being

extricated by emergency personnel.

Smith was transported and admitted to Christiana Hospital with a skull fracture and multiple internal injuries. Smith was listed in critical but stable condition.

He is expected to survive the crash, said police.

Troopers said it is unknown if Smith was wearing a seat belt or if alcohol was a factor in the cause of the crash.

The road was closed for approximately one hour.



Students receive award, adviser honored

► SCHOLARS, from 22

ship potential and communication skills, be in the top quarter of their class and be committed to careers in government or the not-for-profit sector. The 75 Scholars were select-

The 75 Scholars were selected from among 602 candidates nominated by 299 colleges and universities. Each selection panel interviewed finalists from a threeto four-state region and generally elected one scholar from each state and one or two at-large scholars from the region. Each panel typically included a university president, a federal judge, a distinguished public servant and a past Truman Scholarship winner.

Gulak, who also is a Dean's

Scholar in Hispanic culture and medicine, spent the fall semester in the Dominican Republic and has been studying premedical courses in preparation for medical school.

Isherwood, who is currently in Cairo, Egypt, researching accountability in humanitarian organizations, spends his free time in Cairo taking Arabic lessons, teaching English at a school for refugees and training for the Dead Sea Marathon next month in Jordan.

The Truman Scholarship Foundation was established by Congress in 1975 as the federal memorial to the 33rd president. Since the first awards were made in 1977, there have been 2,328 Truman Scholars selected.

financial aid at some premier

Rain-dampened wine-and-dine event held a success

► WINE, from 1

he said.

But by 6 p.m., the crowds starting flowing a little more. Despite the slow start, Ashby was still pleased with how the Wine and Dine turned out. "It's a nice friendly, casual affair," he said.

Maureen Feeney Roser, administrator for the Downtown Newark Partnership, didn't have an estimate for how many people attended the event, but said that it

seemed to be a success. "The restaurateurs were very happy," she said. "They all had a full house."

And even though the weather was poor, it proved to be a mixed blessing. "It allowed us to get our feet wet, no pun intended," she said. "It let us have our first [Wine and Dine] event without having masses of people. I think it was very successful."

Even though a few things had to be adapted for the rain, nothing

was cancelled. Musicians who were supposed to stroll down Main Street were forced to find shelter. Some enterprising artists even played on the trolleys that looped down Main Street.

For the most part, everyone seemed to enjoy the food and wine despite the weather.

"It's been a lot of fun so far," said Fair Hill resident Cindy Hayford, who came to Newark specifically for the event. But

Celebrating Women's Health

Progans forming on

It allowed us to get our feet wet, no pun intended ... "

MAUREEN FEENEY ROSER

DOWNTOWN NEWARK PARTNERSHI

she and a friend had some ideas for improving the event in future years.

"It's not standardized," said Stacey Warner, also a Fair Hill resident. "We had no clue where we were going [on the trolley] or what food was going to be served or what the prices were going to be.

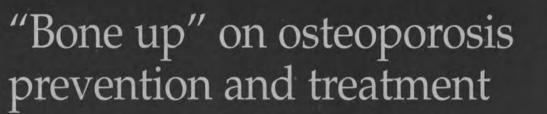
Despite their confusion, the ladies enjoyed the event and a few glasses of Chilean wine.

Each establishment offered something unique.

Enjoy

Cucina Di Napoli cooked Italian favorites such as bruschetta and lasagna with several Italian wines, while their neighbors at Klondike Kates offered spicy tapas-styled appetizers with Californian wines.

Restaurants included Adria Café, Ali Baba, Caffe Gelato, Cucina Di Napoli, Deer Park Tavern, East End Café, Home Grown Café, Iron Hill Brewery, Klondike Kates, Saigon Vietnam, Timothy's of White Clay and The Trap Seafood.



Did you know that:

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- One in two women and one in four men over age 50 will have an osteoporosis-related fracture in her/his remaining lifetime?

Learn more and develop your bone-building strategies for preventing osteoporosis now during this free lecture presented by Matthew K. Hoffman, M.D., department of obstetrics and gynecology. Dr. Hoffman will review osteoporosis prevention for children, adolescents and premenopausal women. Sign up today.

Wednesday, April 20, 7-8 p.m. **Eugene du Pont Preventive Medicine & Rehabilitation Institute** 3506 Kennett Pike Wilmington, Delaware

A question-and-answer session will follow the presentation. Seating is limited, so please register by calling 302-428-4100.



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Moon takes bite out of sun

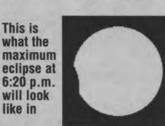
PROVIDING the sky is clear and no clouds interrupt our viewing, a rare hybrid solar eclipse will be visible in the sky Friday, April 8, at approximately 6 p.m.

True astronomy buffs understand that this first solar eclipse of 2005 is an uncommon type known as either annular-total or hybrid. The duality of this eclipse comes about when the vertex of the Moon's umbral shadow pierces the Earth's surface at some points but falls short of the planet at other points. The central path will start out as annular, change to total for the middle portions of the track and revert back to annular towards the end.

For the rest of us non-astronomers, in northern Delaware, it's just a bite out of the sun.

An eclipse of the sun can only take place at New Moon and only if the moon passes between the sun and earth. Under these conditions, the moon's shadow sweeps across a portion of the earth's surface and an eclipse of the sun is seen from that region.

The path of the April 8 eclipse will cross the Pacific Ocean from New Zealand to Colombia. Skywatchers in the southern United States can glimpse its partial phases. Here in Northern Delaware, we will see barely a nibble out of the left side of the sun. The partial eclipse will begin at 6:07 p.m., be at its maximum



at 6:19, and end at 6:32 p.m. The eclipse obscuration, or fraction of sun that is covered, is 1.1 percent in the Dover area and even less the further north you travel.

However, even though the eclipse is barely visible from our area, observers are cautioned to not look at the sun, even briefly, with the naked eye. Permanent damage can occur.

Several methods are suggested to view a solar eclipse, including wearing welders goggles or using special solar filters for cameras and telescopes.

One safe way is to use the pinhole projection method.

Punch a small pinhole in one piece of thin, but stiff, white cardboard. With the sun at your back, let the sunlight fall through that hole onto a second piece of cardboard held below. The image, seen on the second cardboard, will be reversed. Do not look through the pinhole at the sun.

If you miss this hybrid solar eclipse, another one will not occur until April 2023.



WEEK PROMOTES WORK ZONE SAFETY

EN Brooks of Newark still shudders when he remembers the time several years ago when he was working on a construction project on I-95.

"It was 4 a.m. and I was pulling up barrels when I looked up and saw a vehicle speeding towards me," said Brooks, a Safety Director at George & Lynch Inc., a construction company that does many road projects for the Delaware Department of Transportation. "Somehow it missed me by only inches, but in a situation like that even if there is time to react, where do you go? I couldn't do anything, and to this day that scene plays out in my mind like it was yesterday."

To recognize the challenging work of employees in DelDOT's Traffic, Maintenance, Construction, Pavement, Planning and Bridge divisions and DelDOT contractors, the department is hosting Work Zone Safety Awareness Week, which runs from April 3-9. DelDOT is reminding travelers to drive with caution within work zones and respect the job and the lives of these men and women. The rea-

son is due to these startling and frightening statistics:

In Delaware in 2004, two workers were killed in crashes in or near work zones.

Nationally, one work zone fatality occurs every seven hours.

■ Nationally, one work zone injury occurs every 15 minutes.

• Four out of five work zone fatalities are motorists.

Donna Hardy, a Newark resident, and DelDOT's Safety Programs Engineer in the Traffic division, said it is her experience that drivers are so used to seeing construction on roadways that they pay little attention to work zones.

"At any given time, 20 percent of roadways are under construction of some type, so when they encounter work, it doesn't raise concerns to the driver," Hardy said. "That's when bad things happen. What we want to focus on is when work zones are encountered, drivers must pay attention not only for their own safety but for the safety of the workers too." The job workers do is difficult enough without having to deal with speeding or inattentive drivers.

"When behind the [safety] drums, a worker must always remember that tragedy could be just a split second away," said Bill Stewart, a civil engineer in DelDOT Pavement Management who works out of New Castle County. "In addition to monitoring the work being performed, I find myself constantly looking over my shoulder at passing traffic. The causes of crashes I have witnessed ranged from inattentive driving to impaired driving, and the memories of these work zone crashes are forever sobering."

While DelDOT requires its employees to get regular work zone safety training, workers want to remind drivers that work zones are designed to warn motorists of upcoming hazards.

When traveling through a work zone, please pay careful attention to the traffic control devices present.



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Obituaries are printed free charge as space permits. Information usually is supplied to the newspaper by the funeral director. Additional local obituaries are posted each week on the Newark Post web site. The web address appears at the top of every right-hand page.

Mary Collins, 71

Mary Margaret Collins, 71, of Newark died on Saturday, April 2, 2005 in the Christiana Care Riverside Long Term & Transitional Care.

Mrs. Collins was an elderly caregiver. She had also worked for several years as a dietician at the Brandywine Nursing Home in Wilmington.

She is preceded in death by her beloved husband, Thomas Collins, Sr. in 1980 and her daughter, Particia Carole; broth-

ers, Pete, Jim, Tom, Ire Jackson. Surivived by her devoted sons, Thomas Collins, Jr., Ray E. Collins, Kenneth M. Collins and A. Wayne Collins; siblings, Stella Quesenberry, Dorothy Hess, Bud Jackson, and Christopher Jackson; 11 grandchildren; and eight great grandchildren also survive.

Funeral service was to be held on Wednesday, April 6 at the Gebhart Funeral Home. Burial was to be in Gracelawn Memorial Park

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the New Castle Lions Club, P.O. Box 462, New Castle, DE 19720.

Clarence Stewart, 83

Newark resident Clarence James Stewart, Jr., 83, died on Wednesday, March 30, 2005, at Christiana Hospital. Born on Oct. 10, 1921 in

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Alfonso Lopez, former UN communication officer

LFONSO Lopez, 75, of Newark, died on March 31, 2005.

Mrs. Lopez was born in Columbia of Jewish parents. He served in the Korean War, then went to work for the United Nations as a communication officer and formed part of the International Peace Keeping Forces in the Middle East. He was assigned to Lebanon, Egypt, and Israel where he lived for more than

20 years. He moved to the USA in 1986 after he retired from the United Nations.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Lopez; his sons, Edgar Lopez and his wife, Mabel, and their children; Nelson Lopez and his wife, Nelly, and their daughters; Alfonso Lopez and his wife, Patricia, and their daughters; Ovidio Lopez and his wife, Kirsten, and their four daughters: two daughters, Elizabeth Chance and her husband, Robert Chance, and their two sons; and Alicia Boyle and her three; his brother, Victor Lopez, of Texas; and his brother-in-law, Helman Rivera and his family.

A memorial service was to be on Saturday, April 2 in the Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home.

Burial was to follow in All Saints Cemetery.

Wilmington, Mr. Stewart served his country in the U.S. Army Air Corps and was stationed in the European, African and Middle Eastern Theatres during World War II. After his military service, he earned his bachelor's degree in business from Howard/Columbia University in Washington, D.C. and accepted a position with the federal government in the Internal Revenue Service. He retired from the IRS as an office collection force chief supervisor. Following his retirement, he worked for 10 years as a constable for the State of Delaware. He was a parishioner of St. John's/Holy Angels Church in Newark. He was an active member of the Knights of Columbus, Santa Maria Council #195 in Wilmington, serving as the Grand Knight of his chapter for 2 years and attaining Fourth Degree status.

He is survived by his wife, Esterine Roney Stewart; four chil-dren, Cheryl P. Murray, of Goose Creek, S.C.; Clarence J. Stewart III, of Newark; Brian J. Stewart,

of Wilmington; and Karen A. Rees, of Columbia, Md.; two sisters, Olice Mayfield and Muriel Congo, both of Wilmington; 10 grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial was to be offered on Tuesday, April 5 at Holy Angels R.C. Church. Interment was to follow in Cathedral Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 1501 Casho Mill Rd., Ste. 1, Newark, DE 19711.

Marlene Wolff, 67

Marlene Wolff, 67 of Newark, died April 2, 2005. Mrs. Wolff was a retired employee of Bernard Personnel.

She was preceded in death by her son, Paul Wolff, who died in 1994. She is survived by her loving companion, Angelo Abandolo; her sons, David Wolff and his wife, Nato, of New York; Alex Wolff and his wife, Joanne Polichetti, of New York; Jon Wolff

and his wife, Linda, of Bear; and devoted daughter, Anne Wolff, of Newark. She is also survived by her three grandchildren.

A graveside service was to be held on Monday, April 4 at the Jewish Community Cemetery on Foulk Rd.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions to the charity of your choice.

Mary Hafycz, 80

Newark resident Mary Hafycz, 80, died on Tuesday, March 29, 2005.

Mrs. Hafycz was a longtime employee of Elko Electronics and Honeywell. She enjoyed gardening and Ukrainian crafts.

She is survived by her sons, Jerry J. Hafycz and his wife, Sandra, of Sewell, N.J. and John Hafycz and his wife, Theresa, of Newark; her daughter, Irene Rittenhouse, of Philadelphia; her sister, Anna, of Russia; nine grandchildren; and four great grandchildren. She was prede-

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ceased by her husband Nicholas in 1971

A Mass of Christian Burial was to be on Monday, April 4 at St. Margaret of Scotland Church. Burial was to be private.

Flowers may be sent or you may send a donation in her memory to Manor Care, 5651 Limestone Rd., Wilmington, DE 19808.

Additional local obituaries are posted each week on the Newark Post web site. The web address appears at the top of every righthand page. Obituaries of the following persons will be posted this week on the web:

Mary Collins **Clarence Stewart** Marlene Wolff Mary Hafycz Alfonso Lopez Leon Saunders Marguis Washington Jeffery Gunther **Carlos Kubler** Cordula Ritchie

Leon Saunders, 66

Newark resident Leon Charles Saunders, Jr., 66, died on Monday, March 28, 2005.

Mr. Saunders was born Sept. 9, 1938 in Middletown to the late Edna and Leon C. Saunders, Sr. He was a graduate of Middletown High School and Delaware State College. He was retired from General Motors, Boxwood Road Plant. He also taught at the former Delaware School District. He was an active member of Coleman Memorial United Methodist Church for which he served on various committees. He was a member of the St. David Lodge.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Carolyn V. Fields-Saunders; and daughter, Dr. Crystal R. Saunders. He is survived by his sons, Andre and Leon C. Saunders III; daughter, Teresa Hayes; daughter-inlaw, Karen T. Saunders; sonin-law, Norman Hayes; grandsons, Brandon Saunders, Deron Hayes and Trey Hayes; granddaughter; Alexis-Noel Saunders; sisters, Barbara Turner, Emma Harvey and Elizabeth Rodgers; and brothers, William, Clarence, Ernest and Lewis Saunders.

The funeral service was to be held on Saturday, April 2, Coleman Memorial United Methodist Church.

Interment was to be in Bohemia Manor Cemetery.

Marguis Washington

Marquis Unique Washington, 14, of Newark, died on March 30, 2005.

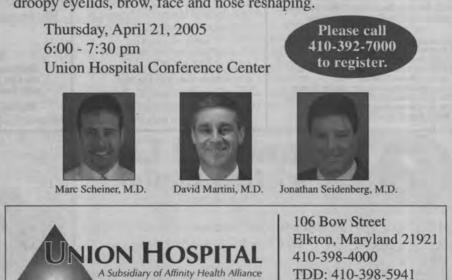
Son of Styren and Eugene Washington, Mr. Washington was born Dec. 19, 1990 in Newark. He was a member of Highway

Word of Faith. He is survived by his parents,

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Styren and Eugene Washington Sr.; two brothers, Jonathan and Eugene, Jr.; two sisters, Estoya and Cierra; one nephew and one niece, Malachi and Paige; his grandparents, Mary Dorsey and Clyde Benson, Carol and Henry Sharp; aunt, Syrita Benson; and a host of other family members and friends. He is also suvived by his godmother, Ericka Brown and his favorite teacher, Ms. Melanie.

Vistation and the funeral service was to be held on Saturday, April 2 at Ezion Fair Baptist Church. Interment was to be private.

Jeffery Gunther, 50

Newark resident Jeffery L. Gunther, 50, died on Tuesday, March 30, 2005.

Mr. Gunther was preceded in death by his stepfather, Harold L. Gunther. He is survived by his mother, Corinne Gunther; five brothers, Wayne, Glen, Mark, Greg and Bryan; a sister Stacey Schorah; an uncle, Frank; and an aunt, Adelaide.

Services were scheduled to be private.

Carlos Kubler, 63

Carlos F. Kubler, 63 of Newark, died on Tuesday, March 29, 2005.

Mr. Kubler was born in Fajardo, Puerto Rico on April 20, 1941, son of the late Fred Kubler and Ana Maria Rodriguez Kubler. As a young man, he was proud to serve his country as a member of the United States Navy. An engineer by profession, he was a member of the American Welding Society and a member of the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron Ship Builders, Blacksmiths, Forgers and Helpers Union, Local #327 in Wilmington. He had been employed as a plant engineer with FMC Corporation in Newark for many years. He is predeceased by his wife,

He is predeceased by his wife, Pauline Theresa DiPietro Kubler.

He is survived by three children, Jeanette Lex of Wilmington, Anthony F. Kubler of Newark and Matthew R. Kubler of Bear; four grandchildren, Christopher, Vincent, Nicholas and Angela Lex; two brothers; and one sister.

A funeral service was to be held on Saturday, April 2 at the Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home. Entombment was to follow in All Saints Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the fam-

In fieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions to the American Heart Association, 1501 Casho Mill Rd., Ste. 1, Newark, DE 19711.

Cordula Ritchie, 91

Newark resident Cordula A. Ritchie, 91, died on Saturday, April 2, 2005.

Mrs. Ritchie was born Sept. 24, 1913 in Milwaukee, Wisc., to the late Arthur and Lydia Maas. She was a secretary for the U.S. Immigration & Naturalization Service. She was a member of the Concordia Lutheran Church.

She is survived by her husband, Alexander Ritchie, of Newark.

A graveside service was to be held on Thursday, April 7 in the Newark Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to the Concordia Lutheran Church, c/o R.T. Foard & Jones, 122 W. Main St., Newark, DE 19711.

Police seek community input

THE Newark Police Department is seeking comments from the public on the department's application for grant funding under the Fiscal Year 2005 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant program. The grant money will be used for uniformed foot patrols in the downtown business district and targeted neighborhoods during the warm weather months in an effort to impact the rise in maintenance problems that occur during this time period. The money will also purchase supplies for educational displays for community and school events that the Newark Police Department participates in during the year. To voice your opinion, call 366-7110 ext. 131.

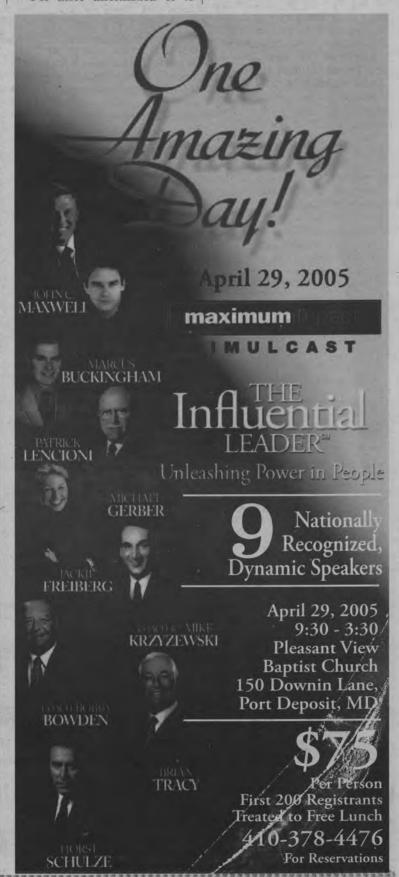
Volunteers sought for wild bird rescue

RI-STATE Bird Rescue & Research, Inc. is-seeking volunteers from southern Delaware and Maryland to pro-

vide emergency transportation of injured and orphaned wild birds from these areas to their wildlife rehabilitation clinic in Newark.

Learn how you can help a wild bird receive a second chance at life by attending a Transporter Team workshop on Sunday, April 3, from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Prime Hook National Wildlife Refuge located in Milton. Participants will be provided with an overview of Tri-State's internationally acclaimed work, an introduction to wild bird rehabilitation and the necessary techniques and procedures to safely transport a wild bird to the facility. A commitment to regularly assist in the retrieval and transport of these animals will be an expectation of the Transporter

Team workshop participants. Tri-State Bird Rescue & Research is an internationally recognized, professional wildlife rehabilitation organization committed to achieving excellence in the rehabilitation of injured, orphaned and oiled native wild birds, with the goal of returning healthy birds to their natural environment, through compassionate care, human research, and education. For more information or to register for the Transporter Team workshop, please contact Julie Bartley, Volunteer Manager at (302) 737-9543, ext. 102 or visit *www.tristatebird.org*.





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someone had been using his personal information.

Police reported the suspects apparently tried to open more than five more accounts, including purchasing furniture and opening cell phone accounts.

Another Newark resident, in the unit block of New London Road, told police on Monday, March 28, that her name and social security number had been used to open two phone lines

between July and August of last year. When she recently notified the phone company that she was moving, she was informed of an outstanding balance on the two other accounts.

Spring break break-ins

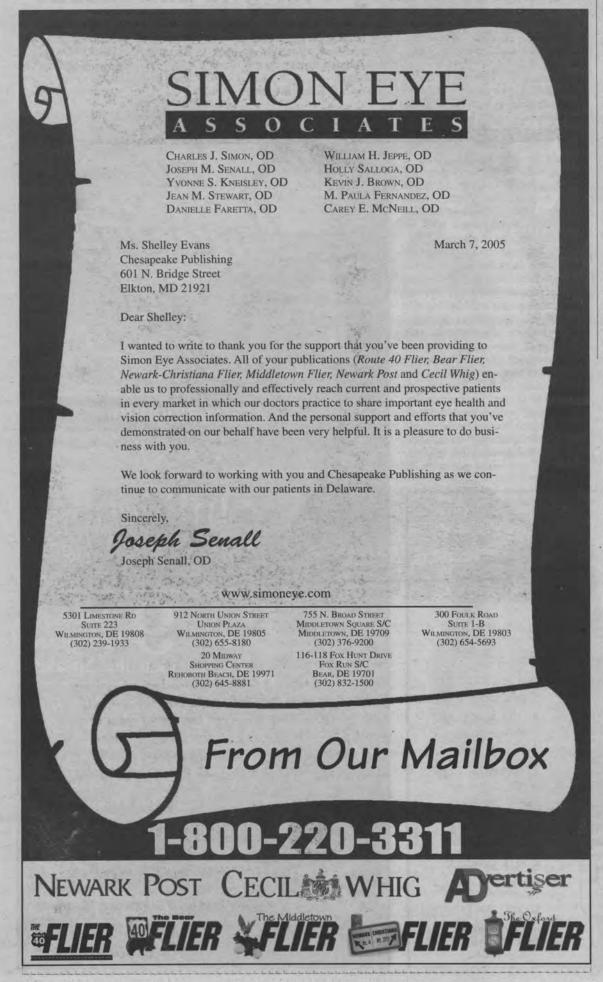
Unknown suspects entered an apartment in the first block of East Main Street while its occupants were on Spring Break from the University of Delaware. On Sunday, April 3, when the

students returned, they discov-

ered the front door had been pried open and thieves removed a flat screen computer monitor and 170 DVD movies, totaling \$2,000, police said.

The rear basement window was apparently the way into another residence in the 100 block of East Cleveland Avenue sometime between Monday, March 28 at 2 p.m. and Tuesday, March 29 at 8 p.m. It was reported to Newark Police that interior doors were kicked open but nothing appeared to be missing.

The Pi Kappa Alpha frater-



nity was not so lucky. They notified Newark Police on Thursday, March 31 at 7:45 p.m., that someone had entered their frat house in the 100 block of South Chapel Street, through a basement door. Apparently the only thing missing was a safe kept in an upstairs bedroom, that contained an unknown amount of cash and tickets to the frat's upcoming luau event, it was reported to police.

Drills stolen

Thieves broke into the building under renovation at 160 Elkton Road between Friday night March 25 at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday morning at 8 a.m., it was told to Newark Police.

Ten Dewalt drills and their chargers, owned by four different construction companies, were taken by the thieves. The locked tool chests were apparently pried open with a piece of plywood and a pipe. The value of the drills is \$3,000.

The building is being renovated for Pat's Pizzeria.

Vehicles targeted

Vandals continue to target vehicles parked in and around the city. Some of the latest incidents reported to police include:

200 block of King William Street, shattered passenger side window, stereo stolen, on Sunday, April 3 at 1 p.m.;

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College Square parking lot, near Sears Hardware, rear window of work van shattered and tools removed, on Monday, March 28, at 8:28 p.m.

Shoplifter hits two College Square stores

A 13 year-old girl was caught by officials from two stores for attempting to take merchandise without paying.

The juvenile was arrested on Saturday, April 2 at 5:43 p.m. by Newark Police for taking clothing and jewelry from Dots and Kmart in the College Square Shopping Center. She was arrested on two counts of shoplifting clothing valued at \$73 and one case of criminal impersonation after giving a false name and address to police.

The girl was released to the custody of her mother with a date to appear in Family Court.

Assault on Main Street

Following an altercation in the parking lot of Deer Park Tavern, 108 W. Main St., on Friday, April 1, at 12:52 a.m., Newark Police apprehended and arrested Chad Franco Smith, 24, of Wilmington, for assault third degree.

According to police reports, the defendant apparently punched another male for no apparent reason and fled. He was caught following a foot pursuit by NPD officers.

The victim received minor injuries on the head, arm and face areas and was transported to Christiana Emergency Room for further evaluation.

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Thornton worked for Newark police before moving to UD

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tor in 1986, with responsibility for supervising the Uniformed Patrol Division and Criminal Investigations and Crime Prevention sections. He was reclassified to senior assistant director in 1998.

Thornton began his law enforcement career with the city of Newark Police Department in 1966. During his tenure there, he was involved in all facets of policing, including patrol, traffic, criminal investigation, police supervision, administration and management.

He retired from the NPD in 1987 at the rank of captain and joined the UD Department of Public Safety. As senior associate director of the department, he was responsible for the administration of all police functions and supervision of the staff of certified police officers on three campuses. He was appointed director in 1997.

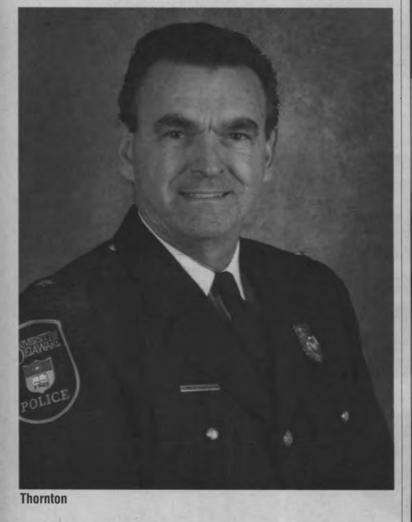
During his UD service, Thornton enhanced Public Safety's interaction with campus and community groups, including Newark Police. He also led the department in several technological innovations, including installing mobile data terminals in all campus police cars; upgrading the records management system to improve recordkeeping; using digital technology to expand the use of closed circuit television across the campus to enhance

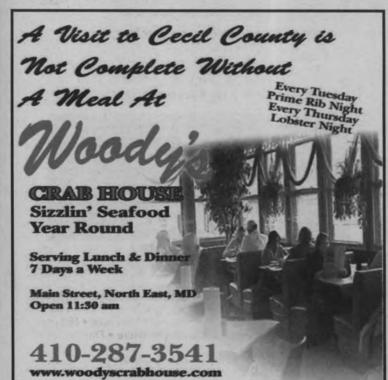
safety; acquiring portable radios that enable communication among all campus locations throughout the state; creating a Web site that provides department information, statistics, safety suggestions and campus and community contacts; and introducing online parking registration for staff and students.

Thornton holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from

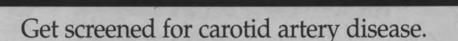
Wilmington College and a Master of Arts in Liberal Studies from UD.

A graduate of the FBI National Academy, Thornton is a member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the Delaware Police Chiefs' Council and the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators.





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