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## UP FRONT

### All were all smiles

By JIM STREIT

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

IT'S one thing to be proud of yourself, but it's best when you make your mother and father, husband and daughter beam with pride.

That's what happened last week at St. John The Beloved School on Milltown Road when a familiar presence in downtown Newark,

Maureen Feeney Roser, was honored by her elementary school alma mater.

Maureen, who is the City of Newark's assistant planning director and administrator of the Downtown Newark Partnership, received the National Catholic Education Association's Distinguished Graduate Award.

I saw the pictures. It was her family's faces that were beaming brighter than Maureen's at the awards Mass and presentation.

I've written about Maureen before. There are many devoted, skilled and efficient public employees at all levels of government, in spite of society's stereotypical assessment that they are unmotivated low-lives sucking at the public trough.

Maureen stands out among public workers. She is intelligent, skillful, responsive, resourceful and sensitive. Her best trait is her

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## City council cans builder

With 70% of reservoir work complete, city votes for a change

By DARREL W. COLE

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

THE Newark City Council voted 5-0 to terminate the contract with the company that has completed almost 70 percent of the work on the \$15 million reservoir.

The action came after a 90-minute closed session held Monday, Feb. 2 after the council's regular meeting. The session was closed to the public because there were legal issues and "potential litigation" discussed, city officials said.

The contractor, Donald M.

Durkin Contracting of Pennsylvania, was hired in May 2002 to build the 318-gallon reservoir for \$9.68 million. Mayor Hal Godwin said the decision to terminate was made because Durkin did not agree with the city and its consultants about how the rest of the construction should proceed.

Durkin has been paid for the work it completed but will not receive the remainder of its original contract.

However, major work has been on hold since late last year because the contractor and engineer have had significant disagreements with how the liner for the reservoir is to be installed, which, along with wet weather, has caused major delays.

Construction was to be completed by the end of 2003, then

postponed to February 2004, and is now expected by the end of this year.

"Nothing had been changed, as far as the construction plans, from the time we hired them to now, but they just got to a point where they said they couldn't complete it as designed," Godwin said.

Durkin officials did not return calls seeking comment but was to be notified of the city's decision Feb. 3.

Godwin would not say whether Durkin has threatened legal action.

Godwin said city engineers and staff are preparing new bid packages and he hopes the council can vote on a new contractor by the end of February. He did not know how much the final bid package will be worth.

While Godwin said the city's action is significant, he assured residents the project remains on budget.

The reservoir is being paid for through a bond that voters approved in April 2001.

"The dollars taxpayers set aside are all safe and sound," Godwin said. "We won't lose any money on this."

The reservoir sits on approximately 60 acres along Old Paper Mill Road.

According to Durkin's Web site, the city reservoir was the company's largest non-transportation project.

However, the Web site also listed the project time period as ending in November 2003 and described the construction as already having been completed, liner and all.

## Country club considers move to Md.

By DARREL W. COLE

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

THE developer who wants to build a 370-home residential project just outside the state line in Cecil County, Md. wants to lure the private Newark Country Club with him.

Members of the Newark Country Club said developer William Stritzinger, of Newark, has offered to build for the approximately 611 members a new club within his proposed Aston Pointe development between Rt. 273, Appleton Road and Jackson Hall Road. In turn, members would then turn over to Stritzinger the 115-acre club property, roughly bordered by New London and Nottingham roads.

Members say Stritzinger could then develop the land, possibly for a smaller golf course bordered by homes.

Stritzinger, who had served on the club's board of directors and as treasurer, presented his plans to club members at a private meeting Friday, Jan. 30. Club board president Ron Gardner said the

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## Festival aids RR rebuilding

ART and trains collide Feb. 21 and 22 when 27 artists descend upon Hockessin for a festival to raise money for the devastated Wilmington & Western Railroad.

The 2004 W&WRR Hockessin Arts Festival will be held at Hockessin Memorial Hall on Rt. 41. The artists — selling everything from prints to greeting cards — are donating 30 percent of their sales to the railroad.

Featured as "Artist of the Year" is James Brown, but he will be joined by other well-known artists like Larry Anderson, Jean Safer and James

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Snow conceals the devastation dealt the W&WRR.



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## Unregistered vehicle leads to arrest

While patrolling for drunk drivers on Saturday, Jan. 31, at 11:30 p.m., Newark Police stopped a vehicle at the intersection of Nottingham Road and Panorama Drive and ran a check of the registration number. They said it did not match the vehicle it was on. The driver claimed he had just bought the vehicle from his sister and did not have an opportunity to have the title changed to his name, according to police.

Michael Rivera, 23, Oxford, Pa., was arrested for possession of a fictitious registration plate, not having insurance, no license in his possession and operating an unregistered vehicle. He also had two outstanding warrants for failure to stop and failure to have minimum insurance, police said.

## Shoplifter arrest

Newark Police were called to Dots, 351 College Square Shopping Center on Saturday, Jan. 31, at 2:54 p.m. where they found a shoplifter being detained by store personnel.

When a woman entered the store, she was carrying a large empty purse, according to police records. Store personnel watched her carefully and later asked to see what was in the purse. A pair of jeans, belt and cap, valued at \$28, still with their Dots tags on, were in the purse, police said.

Cherie Blackwell, 24, Wilmington, was arrested for shoplifting and released pending a February date in Alderman Court, police said.

## Checking sprinklers

When residents of an apartment at Madeline Crossing, 168 Elkton Rd., were sitting in their apartment on Saturday Jan. 31, at 3:30 a.m., a white male entered the door, claiming to be inspecting sprinklers in the apartment complex because they were leaking, police said.

The residents became suspicious when the "inspector" walked to the bedroom doorway and started asking strange questions. He left without incident, police said.

The suspect is described as a white male, 5' 5", with short dark hair, wearing a short dark coat and jeans.

Police advised the residents to keep their apartment door closed.

## Zero tolerance arrest

Newark Police in plain clothes and driving an unmarked car with the Special Operations Unit observed a female exiting Newark Discount Liquors in the Newark Shopping Center on Thursday, Jan. 29, at 9:30 p.m. and placing a bag in the passenger side of one vehicle before getting into the passenger side of another car parked in the fire lane, according to police reports.

While one NPD officer approached the vehicle parked in the fire lane, another officer stopped the first vehicle as it started to drive away.

Upon further investigation, the

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## Scam artists get \$1,000

NEWARK Police were flagged down by a 62-year-old man in the College Square Shopping Center who claimed to be the victim of a money scam which cost him his \$1,000 in savings.

The victim told police that on Tuesday, Jan. 27 at approximately 3 p.m., as he and his grandson were leaving Happy Harry's in the Strawberry Run Shopping Center on Rt. 896, two males walked up to him and started a conversation. One of them claimed to be from Africa and that he had just received an insurance settlement of \$150,000 but that he could not take the money back to Africa because of a war. If he did not give the money to charity or a church, his family would be harmed, the man was told.

He showed a letter of "proof" and a large amount of money that was in his pocket, according to the police report.

The victim agreed to take them to his church in Newark. When they drove in the victim's car toward the College

Square Shopping Center, they passed WSFS and one suspect stated he banked there, too, and agreed to withdraw his savings of \$1,000 as proof. The man went into the bank, took out all his money and returned to his car. The suspects then gave the man a packing envelope to put his money in, "blessed" the roll of \$150,000 and put it in the envelope, too. Then they asked the man to drive them to Pathmark so they could get some macaroni and cheese.

When the suspects walked to the Pathmark doors, the man drove away to take the money to his church. He stopped in the parking lot to check if his money was still in the envelope.

All that was in the envelope was a wad of paper. The man's \$1,000 was gone.

Both suspects are described as black males, one 25 to 30 years old, the other 30 to 40 years old with a thin mustache, police said.

driver of the first vehicle was found to be underage and in possession of heroin and drug paraphernalia, police reported.

John MacDonald, 20, Newark, was issued a traffic summons for zero tolerance as well as criminal summons for underage possession and underage consumption of alcohol. Warrants were also prepared charging him with intent to sell, maintaining a vehicle and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 11 and released on \$8,000 unsecured bond. Kristen MacDonald, 22, Bear, was charged with providing alcohol to a minor and possession of suspected marijuana, police said.

## Machines taken

As the manager of Chinese Take

Out, 230 E. Main St., was busy with customers on Thursday, Jan. 29, at 12:30 p.m., a white male pulled up to the front door in a white van, entered the store and took one gum and one M&M candy dispensing machines, loaded them in his van and drove away without saying anything to anybody, police reported.

As the van was pulling away, the manager realized he was not the owner of the machines and was not able to stop him but did get the Pennsylvania license plate number from the van, according to police records. Investigation is continuing.

## Armed robber charged

On Thursday, Jan. 29, Jeffrey Bruce Esdale of Newark was arrested and charged with four counts of robbery in the first degree following an

armed robbery in the Chestnut Hill Shopping Center.

The defendant was connected to previous robberies on 610 Lehigh Road in the Park Place Apartments and the 300 block of Delaware Circle.

Esdale was charged with four counts of robbery in the first degree, possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony and wearing a disguise during the commission of a felony.

He was charged by the Delaware State Police, New Castle County Police, and Newark Police which occurred in the respective jurisdictions. He is currently being held pending arraignment in the Justice of the Peace Court.

## Register now for youth police academy

The Newark Police Department is hosting its fourth Youth Police Academy for children between the ages of 12 and 17 in June.

The program was designed to give young people who are interested in law enforcement and/or emergency services as a career goal, a special opportunity and insight to learn firsthand about the various duties and responsibilities.

The academy cadets will participate in a paramilitary and disciplined environment, which will include class study on: modern-day police academics, leadership and character building, crime scene processing, volunteerism, cultural diversity, personal safety, and daily physical fitness activity.

Police officers and emergency services personnel from various agencies throughout the state will participate in the education of the cadets. In keeping with the academy's principle message, which is devoted to the recognition of the sacrifice and selflessness made by these professionals, the class will take a field trip to either New York City or Washington, D.C. to sites dedicated to these heroes.

The program cost is \$100 and space is limited, and is first come first served.

The registration period opened Feb. 2 and ends April 30, or earlier if program capacity has been met.

For information contact the program's administrator, Sgt. Rick Williams, at 366-7110, ext. 125, or on the Web at [http://newark.de.us/docs/departments/youth\\_academy.html](http://newark.de.us/docs/departments/youth_academy.html).



## Weekly crime report

STATISTICS FOR JAN. 18-24, 2004 COMPILED BY NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

INVESTIGATIONS	CRIMINAL CHARGES					
	2003	2004	THIS	2003	2004	THIS
PART I OFFENSES	TO DATE	TO DATE	WEEK	TO DATE	TO DATE	WEEK
Murder/manslaughter	0	0	0	1	0	0
Attempted murder	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kidnap	1	0	0	1	0	0
Rape	1	3	2	0	0	0
Unlawful sexual contact	1	0	0	1	0	0
Robbery	4	6	3	5	2	2
Aggravated assault	2	3	2	1	0	0
Burglary	16	13	5	0	2	0
Theft	48	43	11	13	10	0
Auto theft	8	8	3	1	1	0
Arson	0	1	1	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL PART I</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>2</b>
PART II OFFENSES	2003	2004	THIS	2003	2004	THIS
Other assaults	14	20	5	12	22	4
Receiving stolen property	0	0	0	1	1	0
Criminal mischief	52	41	14	1	4	0
Weapons	1	2	0	4	8	7
Other sex offenses	0	1	1	0	0	0
Alcohol	37	6	2	68	42	8
Drugs	5	7	1	9	5	1
Noise/disorderly premise	19	34	15	22	13	4
Disorderly conduct	64	29	10	6	12	1
Trespass	8	9	2	1	1	0
All other	55	57	20	56	26	3
<b>TOTAL PART II</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>28</b>
MISCELLANEOUS	2003	2004	THIS	2003	2004	THIS
Alarm	108	82	22	0	0	0
Animal control	28	33	7	0	0	0
Recovered property	15	8	2	0	0	0
Service	717	550	160	0	0	0
Suspicious person/vehicle	65	64	20	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS</b>	<b>933</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
THIS WEEK 2003 2003 TO DATE THIS WEEK 2004 2004 TO DATE						
<b>TOTAL CALLS</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>2062</b>		<b>553</b>	<b>1815</b>	



# Schools expect \$6 million in savings

By **ROBIN BROOMALL**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

**T**HE Christina School District is anticipating a net savings of approximately \$6 million over a seven year period through its newly established energy management program.

The Board of Education unanimously approved professional services from Energy Education Inc., a Texas-based firm, to help facilitate a people-oriented program that will help the district reduce its energy consumption and lower utility bills.

Under the program, an energy manager will be hired by the district and be a Christina School District employee. That person will be trained by EEI in utility cost tracking, analysis and projection and be responsible for monitoring energy consumption

## Projected savings on energy costs

	Years 1-4	Years 5-7	Total
Savings on bills	\$3,755,000	\$3,920,000	\$7,675,000
Consultant fees*	1,233,600	0	1,233,600
Other costs**	283,608	232,916	516,524
Total district Investment	1,517,208	232,916	1,750,124
Net Savings	\$2,237,792	\$3,687,084	\$5,924,876

\* Energy Education Inc. fees

\*\* Includes salary of manager, travel, monitoring software

in all the buildings used throughout the district.

The program is expected to begin in March.

Electronic monitors will be placed in strategic locations to record the amount of energy consumed by lighting, heating, cool-

ing, humidity control, mechanical and appliance systems, freeze protection and landscape watering practices. Water use management will also be included. Recommendations will then be made, such as reducing temperatures in unused sections of build-

ings during certain time periods.

Some board members expressed concern about lowering temperatures too much causing potential damage. During a deep freeze on the weekend of Jan. 10 and 11, pipes froze in Wilson Elementary School causing flooding of some classrooms.

"We will never recommend anything that will jeopardize equipment, safety or comfort," Michael Bitar, president of the Mid-Atlantic Division of EEI, told board members at the Jan. 13 meeting.

The fee structure for EEI's training and consulting services would be \$308,000 a year for four years with no fees charged after that, even if their services are still needed. If the energy manager is replaced, EEI will train the new employee at no charge.

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## Council delays Ivy Hall vote

By **DARREL W. COLE**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

**T**HE Newark City Council postponed a controversial request to expand the apartment units of Ivy Hall while, on an unrelated matter, agreed with Councilman Karl Kalbacher's request to form a new committee to study a variety of issues related to apartment complexes.

At the Monday, Feb. 2 meeting Councilman Jerry Clifton suggested the council delay discussion of Ivy Hall's request until the Monday, Feb. 9 meeting.

"There are some on going issues that are slowly being worked through by the petitioner, and given another week we could work through them," Clifton said. Also, in a letter to council, Ivy Hall owner Michael Purzycki said more time would allow further discussion with interested residents.

Ivy Hall's request is a sensitive one after he and council members tossed barbs at one another at a December meeting. Council feared more units would mean more trouble with problem students disrupting the neighborhood, while Purzycki said he was being treated unfairly even though his plan complied with city laws.

He had requested eight additional units but the latest round of negotiations could mean a request for less.

Meanwhile, council agreed an apartment committee is a good idea. It would review

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# Boulden steps down, two step up

By **DARREL W. COLE**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

**R**EP. Timothy U. Boulden, R-Newark, is stepping down after 10 years and five election victories to put more time into the family-run Boulden Oil & Propane Company in Newark.

But already Democrat Teresa Schooley and Republican Paul J. Pomeroy have lined up to be the next representative from the 23rd district.

Boulden, who was born and raised in Newark, said he will serve through the remainder of his term which ends in November. He made the announcement to fellow politi-

cians and his family and friends on the floor of the House Thursday, Jan. 29.

The 38-year-old husband and father of two boys aged nine and six said he decided not to seek re-election so his father Urie can retire at his own pace. Urie founded the company 45 years ago.

In addition, Boulden said his brother Mike, also a partner in the company, is looking to explore other career opportunities.

Boulden lists his current title as vice president, but said he's not sure how that will change after November.

"When you run a small, family-owned business, titles don't matter," he said. "You do it all."

Looking back on his legislative career, Boulden said he's most proud of authoring the bill that reduced class sizes for kindergarten through third grade to a maximum of 22 students, with some exceptions.

He also is proud of "years and years" of tax cuts, and "being able to head off bad proposals before they became a public issue."

"I have very much enjoyed my time in elected office," he said.

When he's back in the business world Boulden said he's looking forward to getting more involved in community organizations and in the family business.

As for the future?

"I'm not ruling out politics again but just not in the next few

years," he said. "Right now I'm taking a step forward and looking to new challenges."

With Boulden's departure, the 23rd district seat is up for grabs.

Long before Boulden's announcement, Schooley, a former Christina school board member and Newark Democrat, had already decided to enter the race. In addition, in a development announced Wednesday, Feb. 4, Paul J. Pomeroy, a resident of Nottingham Manor in Newark, said he will run as a Republican to replace Boulden.

Pomeroy, endorsed by Boulden, is director of business development for Aloysius Butler & Clark, an advertising and public relations firm and is involved in community organizations.

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### Women's history film series begins Feb. 17 at UD

**T**O mark National Women's History Month in March, the University of Delaware's Office of Women's Affairs is cosponsoring a film series that focuses on women trailblazers from all cultures. "Women's History/Women's Lives," a five-week series, runs Tuesdays from Feb. 17-March 16 and can be taken as a credit course.

Films in the series will be screened at 7 p.m. each Tuesday in 204 Kirkbride Hall, West Delaware Avenue and South College Avenue, and will be followed by discussions led by speakers with expertise in the film's subject matter.

On Feb. 17, "Rich World, Poor Women" examines how contemporary globalization affects female workers in poor countries. A lecture after the documentary by Wunyabari Maloba, associate professor of history, will delve further into issues raised by globalization.

"Daughter from Danang," on Feb. 24, chronicles the story of an adopted Vietnamese child, who, after more than two decades of living in the United States, returns to Danang to reunite with her birth mother and family. After the film, Sue Cherrin, assistant professor of women's studies, will discuss cultural misunderstandings and the lasting scars of war.

The series is free and open to the public. For more information, call 831-8063 or 831-8474.

### Roselle honored

UD President David P. Roselle is the winner of Coventry Health Care's Leading By Example contest.

Roselle, who had not known he was in the running for the award, was nominated by Karren Helsel-Spry, administrative assistant with the Faculty Senate.

Helsel-Spry cited Roselle's commitment to the community through programs such as the Building Responsibility Coalition in her nomination.

## New child center to open in June

**T**HE University of Delaware's Early Learning Center, which will provide high-quality care and education to children from age 6 weeks to 12 years, now is accepting registrations for its anticipated opening in June.

The new center will be housed in the former Girls Inc. building on Wyoming Road in Newark, which has undergone extensive renovations since the university purchased it in 2002. The center will accommodate a total of 237 children in full-day child care, kindergarten, before- and after-school and summer camp programs and will be open weekdays from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

In addition to providing model care to a diverse population of children, specifically those with such risk factors as poverty, foster care and disabilities, the new center will offer support services to their families. It also will provide important clinical educational experience to UD students in such areas as early childhood education, individual and family services and nursing, and it will be a resource where child-care, family services and education providers in the larger community can obtain technical assistance and professional development. The facility will be a University research center as well, focusing on preven-

tion, intervention and education.

"What makes the Early Learning Center really unique and exciting is the marriage of not only quality child care and excellent family services but also education and research," Karen Rucker, the center's director, said. "The children we enroll will have the benefit of individual attention from the professional staff and from the students who will be gaining hands-on experience at the center, and they'll have so many rich opportunities because of all the resources the University has to offer."

Children and families using the center will be from the surrounding community as well as families of University staff, faculty and stu-

dents. Families that register now will be placed on a wait list, with actual enrollment taking place in the spring. Because demand for the center's services is expected to be strong, Rucker said interested families should register as soon as possible.

Children will be enrolled from the wait list according to the center's established priorities, which include children living in poverty whose families receive state-subsidized child care through the Purchase of Care program (up to 40 percent of the total enroll-

### To register

E-mail the center at [ud-elc@udel.edu](mailto:ud-elc@udel.edu) to have a registration packet sent electronically  
Call 831-6205 to have a packet sent by mail



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**Karen Rucker is director of UD's new Early Learning Center, which will be housed in the former Girls Inc. building in Newark.**

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## 'Literature Reimagined' exhibition opens Feb. 10

**"L**ITERATURE Reimagined: An Exhibition of Illustrated Texts" will be on view from Tuesday, Feb. 10-Friday, June 18, in the Special Collections Exhibition Gallery of the Morris Library on The Green in Newark.

The exhibition includes illustrations of works by Shakespeare, Emily Dickinson, Edgar Allan Poe, Charles Dickens, Arthur Miller and James Joyce.

"Literature Reimagined" will feature illustrations from multiple editions of popular literary works, focusing on the ways they have been reinterpreted over time.

Shakespeare's works, for example, appeared in the 19th century in ornate, oversized volumes with illustrations of the characters dressed in period garb.



Illustration by Gustave Doré from "The Raven" by Edgar Allan Poe, New York: Harper & Brothers, 1884

Some illustrations for the same works done in the 20th century, however, are abstract, conveying the artist's sense of the characters rather than their actual appearance.

Illustrations in the exhibition include works by Gustave Doré, F.O.C. Darley, Edouard Manet, William Morris, Robert Motherwell, Henri Matisse and Romare Bearden.

"Literature Reimagined" draws from Special Collections' extensive holdings in literature and the history of books and printing," Susan Brynteson, the May Morris Director of Libraries, said.

These editions, and many others not on display, are available for study by scholars, students and booklovers. Iris Snyder, associate librarian in Special Collections, is curator of the exhibition.

■ For more information, call 831-2229 or visit <http://www.lib.udel.edu/ud/spec>.



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Maureen has the ability to convey that she has heard and considered what is said. Even if you don't like her answer, one

feels accommodated.

Time and time again, I have watched as she skillfully defused sometimes near-violent opponents and helped guide them to a compromise. Such is no easy task when the parties have drawn

lines in the sand and are passionate in their determination not to budge.

Maureen can get 'em to move...and her behind-the-scenes work as the Downtown Newark Partnership administrator is a key factor in the successes of the DNP's first five years.

Maureen credits her diplomatic skills to her parochial education. "Catholic school taught me that everyone deserves to be treated with respect," she said.

While she's certainly appre-

ciative of the honor given her last week, she's quick to note her two greatest achievements are her daughter, Jackie, and her marriage for 21 years to husband Gary.

"I believe that both of these are the direct result of growing up in a loving, caring, supportive family and my Catholic education," she said last week. "At St. John The Beloved along with academics, I was taught honesty, humility, compassion, perseverance, respect for others and the

important of family."

Now, that's a pretty solid education and one that has served Maureen well in her personal and professional lives.

I congratulate her and Jackie and Gary and her parents. It's obvious this distinction is deserved.

■ The writer is publisher of this and two other Delaware newspapers that are headquartered in Newark. He and his family moved here in 1992.

## Center opens in June

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ment); children with a diagnosed disability (up to 20 percent of the enrollment); children living in foster care (up to 10 percent); and children from the University community (at least 20 percent of the initial enrollment). Child-to-staff ratios and class sizes will be small to ensure quality care, Rucker said.

"The construction at our building has created a state-of-the-art facility," she said. "Our goal is to create not only a model building, but also a model program to best serve the needs of children and families." She noted that quality care and education is the "foundation service" but that, at the same time, the center will be providing hands-on experience to University students who are prospective teachers, nurses, physical therapists and other professionals who work with children and their families.

In addition, many research activities will be conducted at the

center, investigating issues in child development and education. Researchers often will observe the children's development over time and study such things as their interactions with toys, activities and other youngsters.

"We have been contacted by so many departments on campus that want to get involved with the center," Rucker said. "It's wonderful to hear so much enthusiasm about it."

The center is part of the Center for Disabilities Studies in the College of Human Services, Education and Public Policy. An earlier research report by the disabilities studies center determined that children at risk benefited from early intervention. That study of Delaware children found that those living in poverty who received high-quality early education were twice as likely to pass the state's third-grade academic standards test and five times less likely to be retained in a grade during their first four years of school.

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MARK MY WORDS

## Investigations affect lives

By MARK SISK

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

IT FELT LIKE OLD TIMES in the New Castle County courthouse the other day. I saw Colm Connolly, our U.S. Attorney, and Ferris Wharton, a distinguished state prosecutor now with the U.S. Attorney's Office, coming in with a retinue. This team investigated and prosecuted Thomas Capano.

It looked like something important was about to happen. And it was. The former Chief of the County police pleaded guilty to a charge in connection with the investigation of county election practices.

I started thinking about a particular investigation in the city of Newark 20 years ago.

Investigations are a lot more fun as a spectator. The daily drama of Watergate, which I watched in college, was the script for what was to come. Large investigations — Watergate, Iran Contra, and the mother of all investigations, Clinton-Whitewater-Monica — have set the tone for a huge part of our public discourse.

But the "small" investigations affect lives we know personally.

In the early 1980s, the city was the subject of a federal investigation. The allegations were that bribes had been paid in connection with building the Grainery Station on Elkton Road, and Klondike Kate's (my occasional presence at the bar at Kate's to this day, is, of course, a vigil in case new evidence develops). I was assigned the task of investigating some of these allegations internally.

The names of the accusers and the accused aren't important. Most are retired or deceased. If you really care, as Casey Stengel once said, you could look it up.

The federal investigators suspected corruption in the granting of permits that involved many city employees.

Two men who resembled The Blues Brothers sartorially only — they lacked the sense of humor or the musical ability,

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“...the doctrine of proportionality must apply. This means that not every technical violation of the law deserves prosecution.”

which do not appear to have been valued by the FBI — appeared in my office. They inquired why I, as city prosecutor, had dropped certain charges against a particular developer.

The investigation lasted many months. The details are a Byzantine tale of intrigue and family mistrust (the building director and a developer were related) that may or may not have resulted in the commission of crimes. Every city department's director that has anything to do with development (that's all of them, folks) was questioned. The building director resigned rather than answer questions in the city's internal investigation.

This, of course, interfered with everyone's performance of his or her duties. The result, in the legal sense, was a frost: No city official was ever charged with a crime.

The chief witness against the building director was indicted for perjury, and promptly acquitted at trial. The internal investigation found the proverbial "insufficient evidence" of any wrongdoing.

Naturally this isn't the whole story. The consequences and the lessons of the investigation in Newark live with us to this day.

As many prosecutors appreciate, but some do not, the power to accuse is the power to destroy. You don't win just because you're not indicted. A Reagan cabinet member is reported to have said after being "cleared" by a so-called independent counsel, "Which office do I go to get my reputation back?"

No city official was ever charged with anything. But reputations were damaged in Newark during the investigation. My bias is out front here — I was the attorney for the city, wanted to believe it was clean, and was personally friendly with many of the investigated (tempered by the lawyerly principle of You Never Know). A lot of people were hurt. Some didn't deserve it.

Second, the doctrine of proportionality

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## OUT OF THE ATTIC



This week's "Out of the Attic" photo features a post card from the collection of the University of Delaware library's Special Collections Department. It shows Main Street when it still was a dirt road, probably reproduced between 1901 and 1907. The opera house, now the home of Grassroots, can be seen at left. The card is postmarked Sept. 14, 1906. This interesting collection of postal memories is available to the public on the Web; go to <http://www.lib.udel.edu/digital/dpc/>. "Out of the Attic" features historic photographs from Newark's past. Readers who have a historic photo and would like to share it with other readers are invited to loan their photos for reprinting in this space. Special care will be taken. For information, call the Newark Post, weekdays, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 737-0724.

## PAGES FROM THE PAST

News as it appeared in the Newark Post throughout the years

### ■ Feb. 7, 1929 P.O. contract awarded

Postmaster William H. Evans received official word today, from Washington, that the Richard Gove Company, of Philadelphia, had been awarded the contract for the construction of the new Federal Post Office building to be erected on the government owned lot at Main and Center streets. The Gove Company initial bid was \$51,764 with an alternate bid of \$1,500 to make a total of \$53,324. \$60,000 has been appropriated for the building.

### Local schools first

The money for the current maintenance and operation of the Newark School is appropriated to the Newark Schools, as other schools in Delaware, on the following basis:

1. Net enrollment in the Elementary School.

2. Average Daily Attendance in the Elementary School. 3. Net enrollment in the High School. 4. Number of teachers and their qualifications. 5. Vocational education.

Newark has three less pupils in the elementary school than the town of Dover, but has six more in

the high school which gives Newark the highest enrollment in the state outside of Wilmington. In average daily attendance Newark ranks first in the state.

### Dayett elected

At a directors' meeting following the annual dinner of the Newark Chamber of Commerce, held last Saturday night, in Old College, Irvin Dayett was elected president of the Chamber to succeed D.A. McClintock. Tinley H. Ford was elected president, and Warren A. Singles and J.E. Dougherty were reelected secretary and treasurer, respectively.

### ■ Feb. 7, 1979

#### The drug scene

...Use of hard drugs grows but pot is still king  
If drug use in the

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# Rentals top topic

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Newark area could be compared to a horse race, marijuana would be out in front with speed, cocaine, and PCP closing fast.

While marijuana use remains widespread, law-enforcement officials are alarmed at what they call the increased use of cocaine, speed and other illegal drugs.

Colombian marijuana, selling in the Newark area for roughly \$35 an ounce and \$390 a pound, is by far the "drug of choice" for any age group, said a special agent for the Drug Enforcement Agency in Wilmington.

■ Feb. 5, 1999

## Mellon site gets a new look

Jeffrey Lang, president of Commonwealth Management brought a new development proposal to the Planning Commission and everyone agreed it was a great plan.

"I feel like I'm in the twilight zone," said city planning director Roy Lopata as the compliments grew for Lang's plan to demolish and rebuild on the site

of the former Mellon Bank on Main Street.

## Wyoming Rd. extension opens Monday

It will probably come as no surprise to commuters along Library Avenue that the opening of the Wyoming Road extension is imminent.

This week, orange barrels squeezed traffic into one lane as workers from the Delaware Department of Transportation and John Julian Construction put the final touches on the project.

## Rentals discussion goes on

City councilmembers said they were pleased with the amount and scope of public input on the ordinance limiting rentals at this week's part two of the regular council meeting. But they were about the only ones who were happy on Monday night. City council took no action on the so-called rental "cap" ordinance, but did impose a 60-day moratorium on new rental permits.

*"Pages From The Past" reprints stories from earlier editions.*

# 'Let justice be done'

► SISK, from 6

must apply. This means that not every technical violation of the law deserves prosecution. This is the heart of prosecutorial discretion. There was, for instance, evidence that a city employee had taken excess building materials, otherwise destined for the trash, from a construction site of the suspect developer. There was no quid pro quo (Jake and Elwood Blues questioned me to make sure there was none). The value of the materials was zip.

Is this a technical violation of the law? Yup.

Should someone be prosecuted for this, particularly someone who is otherwise a fine public servant? To the credit of the prosecutors, they decided not.

I do not necessarily agree with the shock jock radio host who said that Kenneth Starr (who had been a judge but had never been a prosecutor) was not fit to wield a notary seal. But Starr, like Inspector Javert, didn't appear to understand proportionality. Prosecuting agencies are called the Departments of Justice, not the Departments of Getting Convictions.

Third, if wrongdoing is found that is significant, it must be pursued. Again, to the prosecutors' credit, when they concluded their witness had been untruthful, they charged him. The witness was acquitted, but if you believe in the system, you have to believe in it all the way.

In the category of unintended consequences, good came from the Newark investigation. It put in motion a chain of events that led directly to the hiring of Junie Mayle as the director of building.

Thanks to his leadership, the city acquired this reputation: The code enforcement officers are royal pains about strict enforcement of codes, but are clean as a whistle. My father gave me this advice about my public duties in resolving doubts, imagine raising your hand for Sen. Ervin of the Watergate committee, and explaining it to him. No one ever had fear of doing that under Junie Mayle.

Before the investigation, the lines between public duties and private relationships had sometimes become blurred. The investigation was a painful reminder of the line.

The county investigation is one in which I have no personal or professional stake and barely know the players. Its seemingly glacial pace, I am pretty sure, is at least due in part to the prosecutors' appreciation of principle number one. It appears to involve only a few people and county services are rendered as usual (refunds for overpayments of payments for taxes in the refinancing crush last September got out promptly, but geez isn't that Western façade at Carousel Park tacky?).

Let justice be done there, in proportion to the offenses found, if any.

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## OUTLOOK

### A nation at risk... again

By MARK MANNO

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

**T**HE prominent 1983 report on American education, from the National Commission on Excellence in Education, was the beginning of the massive educational reform that is taking place today, more than 20 years after it was issued.

Now we have a nation at risk again, this time from obesity in children.

In 1960, only 4 percent of boys and 4.5 percent of 6 to 11 year olds were overweight. Today, those figures are 16 percent for boys and 15.5 percent for girls. How did this happen? First of all, until relatively recent times, people had to work hard for their food. Today, we have access to cheap, high-calorie food, and we are much less active. Fast foods are high in saturated and trans fat and are often served in super-sized portions.

The overall caloric intake of kids has been relatively stable, but they are considerably less active than 20 years ago. "Genes load the gun, but environment pulls the trigger," says Patrick O'Neil, director of the Weight Management Center at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston.

Forty years ago, the U.S. Surgeon General warned about the dangers of cigarette smoking, but 440,000 people still die every year from tobacco related causes.

Current Surgeon General Carmona states that 300,000 people die each year from obesity related causes, and this number will eclipse smoking

'Outlook' is a weekly feature prepared by the New Castle County Cooperative Extension Service

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## Success in form of books

By CARLY JUNO

NEWARK POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

**O**NE basket of children's books in a dance studio's waiting room has turned into an organization that has donated more than 8,000 new and gently used books to various locations in New Castle County.

Success Won't Wait, Inc., is making efforts to improve literacy in the state of Delaware.

Co-founded by Newark resident Vincenza Carrieri-Russo and Susan McNeill of Pike Creek, it started in 2002 when McNeill found that her son was bored while waiting for his sister at dance class.

She talked about this to Carrieri-Russo, her daughter's dance teacher, and the idea of having children's books in the waiting room soon became reality.

They collected books from around their own homes and from family and friends, and soon they had a basket of over 40 books. The excellent response from the children made them want to collect more.

They then started to coordinate book drives at schools, including Carrieri-Russo's high school A.I. duPont, and H.B. duPont Middle.

There are now more than 40 baskets in locations around New Castle County, with about 40 to 50 books in each; approximately 3,000 books.

The free children's book baskets are placed anywhere a child has to wait, such as doctor's offices, dance studios and auto repair shops.

Carrieri-Russo said the key is getting books where children are. She said the locations are always surprised to hear that the service is free to them.

The name Success Won't Wait means that "success needs to start now," said Carrieri-Russo. Their mission is to encourage reading, especially at an early age, in order for children to excel when they are older.

According to the Delaware Coalition of Literacy, one in five Delawareans has difficulty with different reading tasks such as filling out a job application, reading a bus schedule or voting.

When donating to Success Won't Wait, people sometimes ask if they could give other books besides children's, and soon the organization had more books



Italo Carrieri-Russo, Christine Copeman, program director of The Bayard House, Vincenza Carrieri-Russo and Susan McNeill stand in front of the "Independent Library" they created at The Bayard House of Wilmington.

than they could give out.

It led to creation of "Independent Libraries" and the expansion of existing libraries.

Creating "Independent Libraries" is a way to get books at temporary residential facilities that may not have had any for the people staying there. One such example is a book donation of more than 1,000 books to The Bayard House of Wilmington, a temporary residential program for pregnant teens and young women.

Christine Copeman, program director of The Bayard House, said that Success Won't Wait is a wonderful concept. Copeman said reading gives the girls something to do in their leisure time. Not only did Carrieri-Russo and McNeill donate books, they also did a "Trading Spaces like makeover" and remodeled the room where the books are stored, Copeman said.

"Their generosity and efforts help current residents and residents to come, and will make a difference," she said.

Approximately 1,500 books have been distributed to residential libraries, including Ferris School, Baylor Women's Correctional Institute and Gander Hill Prison.

Success Won't Wait has also distributed approximately 2,000 books to library Friends groups, including 1,000 books to the

Friends of the Hockessin Library, which lost 25,000 books to flooding caused by Hurricane Isabel. The books were collected through book drives.

Carrieri-Russo said organizations, libraries, business and individuals donate books, including the A.I. duPont High School library and the University of Delaware.

Word of mouth is how most people have heard about the

organization, but volunteers also put up fliers in neighborhoods, stores and schools, especially when there are books needed for a specific project.

Carrieri-Russo, a University of Delaware freshman, said that she does this in her free time and being involved with this does not interfere with studying or her normal activities. "It's something we both enjoy, we want to do it,

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## Carper nominates top youths

**B**RINGING Delaware's finest one step closer to joining the ranks of America's military officers, U.S. Sen. Tom Carper announced the names of his 2004 service academy nominees.

Newark residents Jonathan Appleby from A.I. duPont High School, Andrew Maiorano from Archmere Academy and Samuel Jones from Christiana High School secured Carper's nomination to the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs. Jones was also nominated to the U.S. Military Academy in West Point and U.S. Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point.

"This is where we accept responsibility for shaping the vision of America's future. Among these outstanding candidates will emerge the future of our country," Carper said. "These academies will develop the leaders for tomorrow and these young people will help our nation realize its vision. Their integrity, dignity and perspective are inspiring. I am proud to say they are among Delaware's finest."

Each year, members of the U.S. Congress are charged with nominating top candidates from their home state, ensuring the best and the brightest are considered for admission to the nation's service academies.



# Meet the Ericksons in new Wyeth exhibit at BRM

**"A** Brandywine Christmas 2003" is just a memory now. The trains are gone. The "critters" are gone. The Brandywine River Museum, however, is as busy as ever with a new exhibition and its continual success at being one of our nation's real gems in the world of fine art museums.

Now through April 11 the BRM is presenting "Ericksons by Andrew Wyeth." The story behind the paintings is almost as interesting as the works of art on display. Perhaps a "Trip on The Toman Time Traveler" would be of some assistance at this point. Please fasten your seat belts and here we go.

The time is 1967 and the place is Cushing, Maine. While on his annual summer sojourn to the state Andrew Wyeth met 13-year-old Siri Erickson and was intrigued by this young woman of Finnish descent. He made a drawing of her before he returned to Chadds Ford, Pa. for the winter. During that winter Christina Olson, a Wyeth friend and his

## THE ARTS



By PHIL TOMAN

model of some 30 years died. Wyeth deeply mourned her loss.

As soon as Wyeth returned to Maine in 1968 he asked Siri to pose for him. She did. For the next 10 summers his fascination with Siri and her family led him to explore the local Finnish community. The result was paintings of not only the Erickson family but the friends, neighbors and even the Finnish Church in South Thomaston.

The current exhibition at the BRM is the result of this first,

casual meeting and the friendships which ensued. A portrait of Siri painted in 1970 is with my column today.

In a 1997 issue of "Horizon" magazine Wyeth referenced the two women he loved to paint in Maine, the earlier, Christina, and his newest, Siri. "To me these pictures of the young Siri are continuations of the Olsons, and at the same time they are sharp counteractions to the portraits of Christina which symbolize the deterioration and the dwindling of something. In a way this was not a figure, but a burst of life."

If you know much about Andrew Wyeth's output, you will clearly see in this exhibition a turning point in his work. It would be much later that Wyeth would gather so much press attention for his paintings of his series of nudes involving his Chadds Ford model Helga Testorf. However, his first nude was Siri whom he painted in tem-



This is a 1970 tempera painting of Siri Erickson, the model who inspired an entire series of Andrew Wyeth paintings. It is part of an exhibition now at the Brandywine River Museum called "Ericksons by Andrew Wyeth."

pera.

To be sure the BRM exhibition "Ericksons by Andrew Wyeth" features paintings of a single family, but it honors the entire Finnish-American community living along the coast of Maine. It clearly demonstrates how the artist approaches his subjects from sketches to final paint-

ings.

A trip to the museum to see "The Ericksons" is a worthwhile one. But remember that the admission price of \$6 for adults, \$3 for seniors, students with ID and children 6 to 12, entitles you to visit all the galleries and see the other exhibitions.

With the mad schedules of the holidays behind us, this is a museum to be savored, so don't rush off after seeing the Wyeth exhibit.

The Brandywine River Museum is on old U.S. Rt. 1 where it crosses the Brandywine River and is easily accessible from Newark. Just take your favorite route to get to US 1 (Route 202, 52, 100, 41, etc.) and then head for the banks of the historic Brandywine. The museum is open every day from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

For information you may call 610-388-2700 or visit the web site at [www.brandywinemuseum.org](http://www.brandywinemuseum.org).

### Solution to The Post Stumper on Page 11.



## Parents need to set proper example

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in the near future.

If this trend continues, this generation of American kids will be the first to live shorter lives, on average, than their parents.

So what's a parent to do? First of all, limiting your children's intake of soft drinks and fast foods is essential.

They can't consume it (at least

at home) if you don't buy it. Getting schools to ban these foods in schools is a step in the right direction. It was disappointing to see the Dover School District sign an agreement with a soft drink manufacturer recently giving that company's products exclusive rights of distribution in return for funding that would upgrade the high school track.

On the other hand, a news report last week on NBC

described how so many more kids are suffering broken bones today because of drinking less milk.

Parents need to make more of an effort to eat meals with their kids. We need to set the example. Kids are bombarded with ads featuring Britney, Shaq and Beyonce, all hawking whatever product pays the largest fee to them. This is hard stuff to go up against.

Change is beginning to come but it may be too late for this generation of kids. John Foreyt, director of Behavioral Medicine Research at Baylor University in Houston says that if current trends continue, by 2040 almost every American, except a few genetic freaks, will be obese. Let's hope he's wrong. If each of us does our part, with our own kids, we'll succeed.

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**ERICKSONS BY ANDREW WYETH** Through April 11. Exhibition featuring 20 drawings, watercolors and temperas that mark a significant turning point in Wyeth's career at Brandywine River Museum in Chadds Ford, Pa. For more information, call 610-388-2700.

**SPARX** 7:30 p.m. concert with guest art historian, Margaretta Frederick at The Baby Grand Theatre in Wilmington. Tickets and info., 800-37-GRAND.

SATURDAY

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**THE MITTEN** 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. program for children 4-6. This children's story will come alive as you meet the animals at the Brandywine Zoo. \$7 per child, \$ if zoo member. Info., 571-7747.

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**CHAMBER SERIES** 8 p.m. concert performed by the Newark Symphony Orchestra at the Newark United Methodist Church, 69 E. Main Street, Newark. For more information, call 369-3466.



## CHRISTIAN ACTS HEADLINE AT THE BOB

The Newsboys, pictured above, and Rebecca St. James — two of Christian music's biggest acts — are teaming up for a 2004 tour and will play the University of Delaware's Bob Carpenter Center Friday, Feb. 13, starting at 7:30 p.m. Newsboys have garnered four Grammy nominations and sold more than three million records, including current hit "Adoration." St. James' 10-year career has included music sales of 2.5 million albums sold and current album "Worship God," which includes a signature blend of pop/rock music. Tickets are \$30, \$25 and \$20. For more information, 1-800-861-0850.

**ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES** Through tomorrow. Beginning at 10 a.m. on both days Wheaton Village in Millville, N.J. will host over 70 dealers. Items will include toys, furniture, jewelry, linens and glass. Food and refreshments will be available. For more info., call 800-998-4552.

**COMEDY CABARET** 8 p.m. performance by HBO comedy star Bob Nelson at Air Transport Command in New Castle. \$15 cover. Info., 652-6873.

**WINTER WEEKENDS FOR FAMILIES** Through March 14. Explore Brandywine River Museum with a "Museum Discovery Game". Visitors will receive a free copy of the "Family Guide: A Museum Activity Book." For info. and reservations, call 610-388-2700.

**BABY EXTRAVAGANZA** Every Saturday in February. Noon - 4 p.m. seminar with product demonstrations and tips on selecting furniture to help you make the baby's room extra cozy at Babies "R" Us on New Churchman's Road.

SUNDAY

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**THE CHRYSALIS PLAYERS** 2 p.m. two short plays for children ages 3-13 and their parents and grandparents at the Newark Library. For more information, call 731-7550.

**JOHN POLLARD SOLO** 6-8 p.m. performance at The Blue Crab Grill in the Suburban Shopping Center.

**OPEN HOUSE** 1-3 p.m. for children ages 14 and up to learn how to help support educational events and special exhibitions at the

Brandywine Zoo. For more info., call 571-7747.

**TU BI' SHEVAT** Family celebration of this Israeli holiday with music, dancing and activities for the whole family at Longwood Gardens in Kennett Square. For more info., call 610-388-1000.

**NEWPORT JAZZ FESTIVAL** 7 p.m. star studded tradition with today's jazz greats at The Grand Opera House in Wilmington. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 652-5577.

### MONDAY, FEB. 9

**NATURE NUGGETS** 10:30 a.m. program for children 3-5 years old exploring different nature topics each month, including a special craft or activity that will intrigue children. Preregistration necessary. \$2 per child. 368-6900.

**LINE DANCING** 1 p.m. beginner class; and 2 p.m. advanced class every Monday at Newark Senior Center. 737-2336.

### TUESDAY, FEB. 10

**MISS SAIGON** Through Feb. 8. Musical love story performed at the DuPont Theatre. Tickets range from \$47 to \$65. To purchase tickets or information about the performance, call 656-4401.

### THURSDAY, FEB. 12

**OKTOBERFEST** Every Thursday. Special menus featuring German cuisine at Iron Hill Brewery & Restaurant, 147 E. Main Street. For more info., call 266-9000.

**BEGINNER LINE DANCE** 6 p.m. beginner classes at the Newark Senior Center. Info. 737-2336.

### FRIDAY, FEB. 6

#### WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Through tomorrow. Conference featuring key note speaker Michele Payn-Knoper, a nationally known agriculture consultant at the Dover Downs conference Center. For info. and registration, call 302-730-4000.

**STRENGTH TRAINING** Fridays and Mondays at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

### SATURDAY, FEB. 7

**MILANGI MAGICAL THEATRE** 11 a.m. African tales and lore for children in grades K-4 at the Bear Library, 101 Governor's Place. Registration required. 838-3300.

**LET'S GET GROWING** 10:30 - noon gardening workshop for children 5 to 10 years old at the Delaware Center for Horticulture. To reserve your spot, call 658-6262.

**MAKING SENSE OF THE U.S. CENSUS RECORDS** One hour presentation at the Wilmington Family History Center, 143 Dickenson Lane, Wilmington. Free and open to the public. Info., 234-0460.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST** 7:30 a.m. at Greater

Grace Church, 30 Blue Hen Dr. \$5 donation goes to missions. Info., 738-1530.

**KARAOKE** 8 p.m.-midnight every Saturday night at the American Legion of Elkton. No cover, all welcome. For more information, call 410-398-9720.

**CHRISTIAN MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION** First Saturday of every month at Denny's on Rt. 13 at 8:30 a.m. Info. 838-6458.

**DIVORCECARE** Saturdays and Wednesdays. Separated/divorced persons meet at Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike, Newark. All welcome. Info. 737-5040.

**NATURE VIDEOS** Every Saturday. 1 p.m. video and one-hour guided walk for all ages at Ashland Nature Center. All welcome. Info., 239-2334.

### SUNDAY, FEB. 8

**INFANT CPR** 1:30-4:30 p.m. class for ages 10 and over at the George Wilson Community Center. \$30 for Newark residents, \$33 nonresidents. Info., 366-7060.

**CONTRA DANCE** 2-5 p.m. Contra Dance with Terry Bachmann and Karl Senseman calling to the music of Steve Epstein and friends, 208 Mariner's Way, Bear. Dress comfortable, soft soled shoes. No smoking or alcohol, suggested donation, \$6.

## MEETINGS

838-0493.

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

### MONDAY, FEB. 9

**SUPERINTENDENT'S TASK FORCE** 7:30 p.m. community meeting to discuss the task force report and recommendations for the Christina School District at Glasgow High School, 1901 S. College Ave. For more info., contact [www.christina.k12.de.us](http://www.christina.k12.de.us)

**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 registration at 765-9740.

**ESL** Afternoon and evening classes for English Conversation held every Monday at Newark United Methodist Church, 69 East Main Street. Registration required.

292-2091.

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

**NEWARK ROTARY CLUB** 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. every Monday at the Holiday Inn, Route 273, 453-8853.

**PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS** 7:30 p.m. orientation meeting the second Monday of the month at the Bear Library, Governor's Square. Info. 998-3115, extension 1.

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

**SCOTTISH DANCING** 7:30 p.m. Mondays at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, South College Avenue, Newark. Info. 368-2318.

### TUESDAY, FEB. 10

**DEFENSIVE DRIVING** 6:30-9:30 p.m. class (second class held Feb. 17) sponsored by the Delaware Safety Council at the DelDOT office, 250 Bear-Christiana Rd. Upon successful completion, participants will be eligible for a minimum 10%

reduction in the liability portion of their automobile insurance policy for a three year period. To register, call 654-7786.

**NEWARK DELTONES** Every Tuesday. 7:45 p.m. For men who like to sing at NewArk Church of Christ, East Main Street. For more information, call Will at 368-3052.

**DIVORCECARE** 6:30-8:30 p.m. support group meeting at Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 308 Possum Park Rd., Newark. Info. 737-7239.

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

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

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

**CHRISTINA SCHOOL BOARD** 7:30 p.m. meeting. For information and locations, call 454-2500, or visit [www.christina.k12.de.us](http://www.christina.k12.de.us).

**EPILEPSY SUPPORT** 7 p.m. second Tuesday of month meets at the Easter Seal Center Conference Room, Corporate

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## ACROSS

1 Plot  
6 Philanthropist  
11 Send out a page  
14 Highlander's headgear  
17 Vision-related  
19 Likes a lot  
21 Barcelona bravo  
22 "I — Rock" ('66 song)  
23 A few words  
24 Start of a remark by Laurence J. Peter  
27 Itch  
28 Loaf part  
30 Dram  
31 Emcee  
32 Swiss sharp-shooter  
33 Like feta  
37 Feta  
39 Oscar or Tony  
42 Fragrant plant  
44 Mets' milieu  
45 Isolated  
46 Spud state  
47 97 Across singer  
50 Part 2 of remark  
56 Seal school  
58 Actress Massen

59 TV's "The — Limits"  
60 Animosity  
61 Nimble  
62 Printer's proof  
64 Be buoyant  
67 Hindu duty  
69 Word form for "milk"  
71 Invalidated  
75 City on the Allegheny  
76 Storm  
78 Bounded  
79 Smiley's "A Thousand —"  
81 Medical suffix  
82 Spirit  
84 Gogol's "— Bulba"  
86 Jack of "Barney Miller"  
89 Ocasek of The Cars  
90 Part 3 of remark  
95 Principles  
97 "Here You Come —" ('77 hit)  
98 Hellman's "The Children's —"  
99 Duel tool  
100 Desk accessory  
102 On edge  
103 Stick-in-the-mud?

106 Free tickets  
107 Pavarotti piece  
109 Third-rate  
110 Halloween decoration  
111 Yogi or Smokey  
112 Political abbr.  
115 End of remark  
122 Dolphin Dan  
124 Kind  
125 Flagon filler  
126 Proof-reader's list  
127 Leisured, to  
128 Singer Brenda  
129 Literary pseudonym  
130 Solti's stick  
131 Wharton or Sitwell

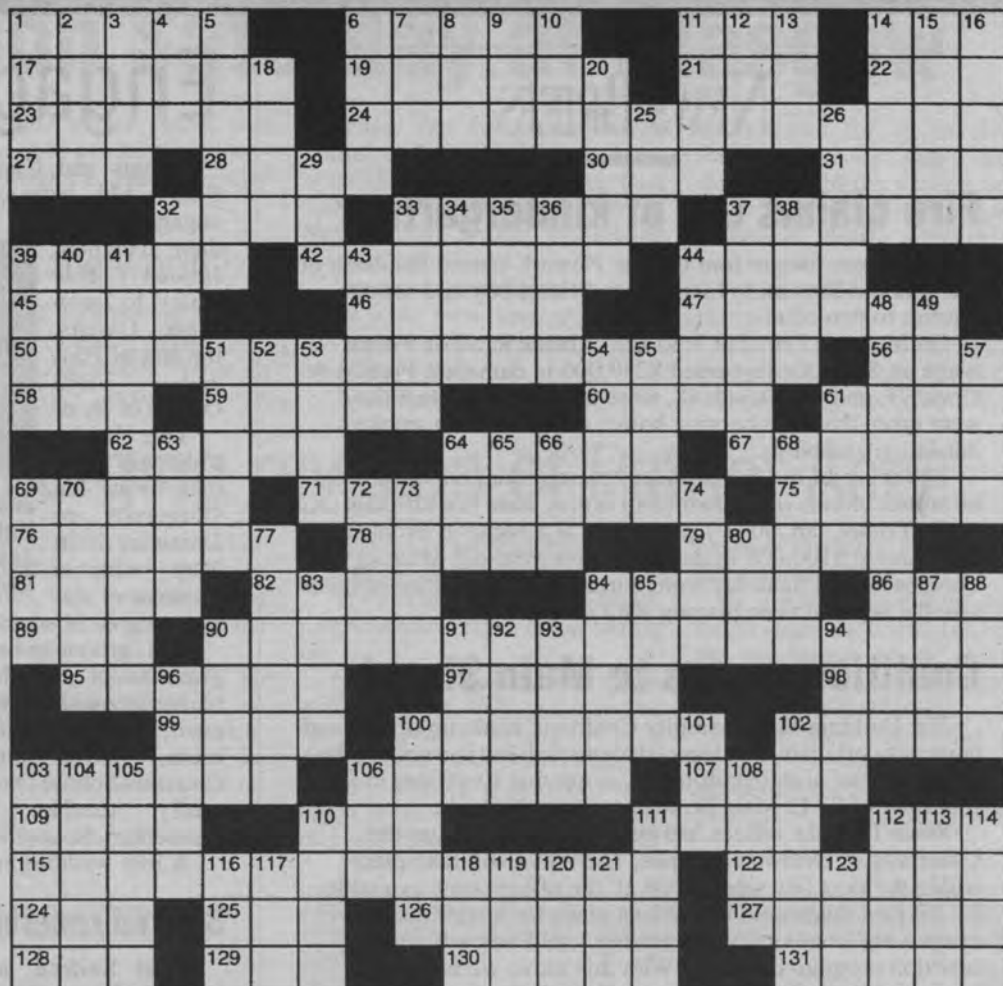
## DOWN

1 Duplicate  
2 Want badly  
3 Overdo a tan  
4 — carte  
5 Tied tightly  
6 "The Witches" author  
7 Horatian creation  
8 Neither's partner  
9 Vein contents

10 Word with carpet or cabbage  
11 Racing legend  
12 Boxing legend  
13 Makes one's mark  
14 Resort lake  
15 Pile up  
16 Lusterless  
18 Virginia —  
20 Alaskan city  
25 Italian greyhound, e.g.  
26 Bread ingredient  
29 Wee one  
32 "— bien!"  
33 Chest material  
34 Get wind of  
35 Tennis legend  
36 A roaring success?  
37 Rubbed the wrong way?  
38 Juno, in Greece  
39 Plus  
40 Troubles  
41 Penguins' place  
43 Ready to eat  
44 Detect  
48 Tyranny  
49 With 101 Down, '79 Sally Field film

51 Subject matter  
52 "Ben—" ('59 film)  
53 School founded by Henry VI  
54 Siamese  
55 Fill to the gills  
57 Actress Cannon  
61 Mall event  
63 Homeric characters  
64 So, state  
65 Mouth piece?  
66 Habitually, to Herrick  
68 Neigh-sayer?  
69 Den  
70 Upstairs basement?  
72 — Bator  
73 Singer Horne  
74 Irritated exclamation  
77 More enthusiastic  
80 Scoundrel  
83 — majesty  
84 Ridicules  
85 Superior  
87 Burden of proof  
88 Brute  
90 "— the mornin'"  
91 Guys' counterparts

92 Corporate clashers  
93 Bank statistic  
94 Big bird  
96 Indira Gandhi's father  
100 Enjoy the beach  
101 See  
102 Down  
102 Diatribe  
103 "To fetch —"  
104 Clavell's "— House"  
105 Alistair or Sam  
106 Part of PST  
108 Sita's husband  
110 Dylan's colleague  
111 Fiber source  
112 Leslie  
113 Caron role  
113 Step — (hurry)  
114 Cry of contempt  
116 Check  
117 Jeff Lynne's grp.  
118 Sphere  
119 Singing syllable  
120 It may be tipped  
121 WWII area  
123 "Great!"



## ▶ MEETINGS, from 10

Circle, New Castle. 324-4455.  
CANCER SUPPORT 6:30 p.m. second and fourth Tuesdays at Silverside/Carr Executive Center, Building 405, Wilmington. Info. 733-3900.

## ■ WEDNESDAY, FEB. 11

ANXIETY DISORDER 2nd & 4th Wednesdays from 6:15-7:30 p.m. Support group sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware. To maintain the privacy of members, support group loca-

tions not published. To register, call 765-9740.

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

SCHOOL MENTORING 6 to 7 p.m. second Wednesdays at Big Brothers-Big Sisters Wilmington office, 102 Middleboro Rd.,

next to Banning Park. 998-3577.

BINGO 12:45 p.m. Wednesdays at Newark Senior Center. Lunch available for \$2.25/platter at 11:45 a.m. 737-2336.

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

GRIEFSHARE 7 p.m. seminar and support

group every week for those who have lost someone close to them at Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike. Info. 737-5040.  
NEWARK DELTONES 7-10 p.m. at Newark United Church of Christ, Main Street. Info. 737-4544.

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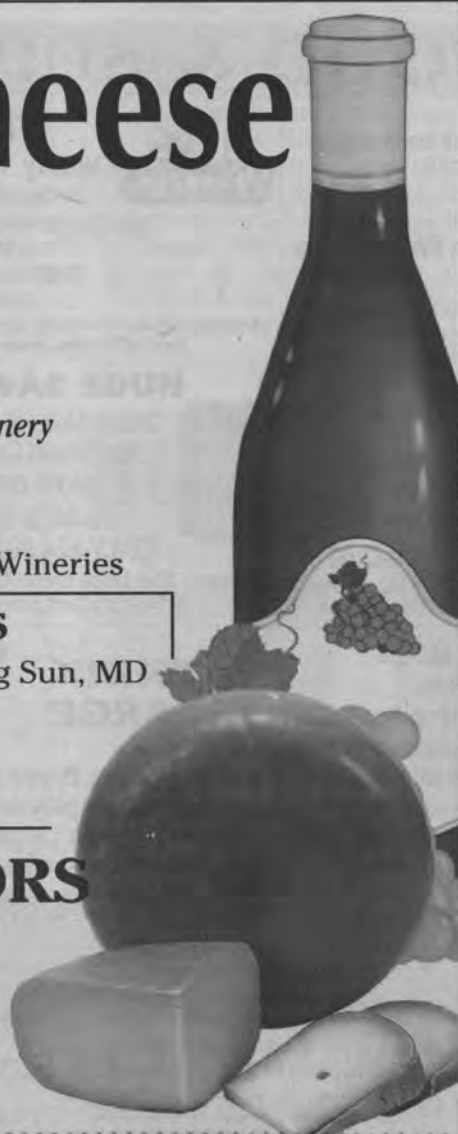
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## NEWS BRIEFS

### Fire claims life of kindergartner

Two house fires in four days in Newark caused the death of a 5-year-old Brookside Elementary School boy and serious injuries to two others.

On Monday, Feb. 2 at 3:30 a.m. a blaze in a Fox Pointe home on Seton Drive caused \$250,000 in damages. Francis A. Grier, 71, and son David, 48, were unconscious when they were taken from the burning home, suffering from smoke inhalation and burns.

The cause of the fire is under investigation, but there were no smoke alarms in the two-story home, state fire officials said.

On Friday, Jan. 30 at 7 p.m. a fire at a home in Brookside Park caused \$100,000 in damages. Five-year-old Michael Thompson died Saturday from burns he suffered. Fire officials said the boy had been playing with a lighter.

### Coalition moves to Main Street

The Building Responsibility Coalition, made up of city and university officials, residents, students and businesses to educate and deter high risk drinking, is moving its offices to the first floor of 87 E. Main St. in downtown Newark.

Since 1997 the offices had been in Laurel Hall on the University of Delaware campus. The move will take place within the next few weeks. "Of all the office space available, we decided this would be the best place for a staff that serves a campus and community partnership," said Tracy Bachman, coalition program director. "With this move we hope to be more visible as we continue our efforts to involve the community in helping us solve the problems caused by alcohol abuse."

### Help your mail carrier

In light of winter weather conditions, Newark postmaster Christopher King asks customers to help clear a path free of snow and ice for the safe delivery of mail by Newark area letter carriers.

## Engaged

Dennis and Cyndi Haley of Elkton, Md., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Jessica Rae Haley, to Jason Mark Owens, the son of Paul and Vicki Owens of Bear.

The bride-to-be will graduate from the University of Delaware in May with a bachelor of science degree in education.

The groom-to-be is a 2002 graduate of Philadelphia Bible University with a bachelor of science degree in education and bible. He is employed by Christina School District and currently teaches at Keene Elementary School in Bear.

A July wedding is planned.



Jessica Rae Haley and Jason Mark Owens

### Seifred receives award

Vicki Seifred, a teacher at Newark Charter School, received the YMCA's Resource Center's Let It Begin With Me award at their conference held Nov. 5. Seifred received the award in recognition of her long-time commitment to empowering youth. At Newark Charter, she has implemented a peer media-

tion program and has worked to build positive relationships among members of the Newark Charter School community.

Seifred models the YMCA character values of Caring, Honesty, Responsibility, and Respect and encourages her students to model them also.

### Greene receives recognition in Minn.

Maxwell Greene of Newark, was honored by Carleton College in Minnesota, with writing portfolio recognition at the college's annual convocation. Greene was one of 59 students recognized for submitting exemplary portfolios.

Green is the son of Susan and John Greene.

### UD prof gets award

Donald L. Sparks, professor at the University of Delaware, received the Environmental Quality Research Award that was presented at the 2003 Annual Meetings of the American Society of Agronomy (ASA), Crop Science Society of America (CSSA), and Soil Science Society of America (SSSA) that was held from Nov. 2-6 in Denver, Colo.

Dr. Sparks is the S. Hallock du Pont Endowed Chair of Soil and Environmental Chemistry and chairman of the Department of Plant and Soil Sciences at the University of Delaware. He has joint appointments in the

Departments of Chemistry and Biochemistry and Civil and Environmental Engineering, and the College of Marine Studies. He received his doctor of philosophy in Soil Physical Chemistry from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, a master of science degree in Soil Science and a bachelor of science degree in Agronomy both from the University of Kentucky.

### Cash named to Who's Who Among Students

Jessica Anne Cash of Newark was recently named to the 2004 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. Cash is one of 54 students from Mary Baldwin College who have been selected as national outstanding campus leaders. Cash is the daughter of Suzanne Cash of Newark.

### Beatty honored at scholars dinner

Rachel Beatty of Landenberg, Pa., was one of more than 285 students honored at the annual Susquehanna University Scholars Dinner. Beatty is a sophomore writing major at Susquehanna University in Selinsgrove, Pa.

Beatty, a 2002 graduate of Christiana High School, is the daughter of Charles and Jean Beatty of Landenberg, Pa.

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# Drill, colors competition Saturday at Glasgow

Glasgow High School Air Force Junior ROTC Sixth Annual Drill and Colors Classic Competition will be held at the school, 1901 S. College Ave., on Saturday, Feb. 7, with opening ceremonies at 7:30 a.m.

This drill competition will include more than 25 marching units from Glasgow and other high school Junior ROTC units,

as well as military academies within the eastern region.

An 'Academic Challenge' will measure the cadets' ability to conduct a briefing, explain and defend their points of view regarding a selected subject. 'Aerospace Jeopardy' will include military and current event questions. Judging will conclude with the 'Knockout

Competition,' where cadets will get a chance to exhibit their overall knowledge of drill, especially their listening skills.

## What in the world?

West Park Elementary School hosted the Science, Math and Technology Alliance's "What In the World?" program on

Thursday, Jan. 15. Among the 15 volunteers who gave presentations on their careers were Bob McDowell, biology teacher at Newark High School, and Joanne Bugher, nutritionist.

"It was a great opportunity to show kids how interesting and fun a career in science can be," said McDowell.

Bugher said, "It was a worth-

while event for all involved. I think students left with a tangible impression of the various professions represented and hopefully saw more clearly what they are learning in fourth grade applies to a future profession that excited them."

Each volunteer stressed the importance of math, science, and technology in everyday life.

# City council passes resolution urging revision of Patriot Act

## ► COUNCIL, from 3

data to determine if, where and when new apartments could be built, the current vacancy rates for complexes and how the city can get a handle on problem complexes.

Part of the plan could be to charge problem apartments a fee for excessive police or fire serv-

ice calls.

The council voted to allow city staff to come back with a plan for how to implement the idea.

## Other council news

About 25 residents attended the meeting to support council's adoption of a resolution urging U.S. legislators to revise the

Patriot Act, which gives law enforcement expanded powers of surveillance over residents. The Act was passed in response to the terrorist attacks of 9/11.

Mayor Hal Godwin said he can recall only one time in his political career — which stretches back to 1987 — when he received so many phone calls on a subject.

"And I only heard from a cou-

ple people who said they don't support us doing this."

The resolution passed 5-1 with Councilman Jerry Clifton voting no.

Of the 14 residents who spoke at the meeting, only one opposed the resolution, saying it is a meaningless "feel good" action.

The council's version is a toned down one, compared to the original proposed by a group of

Newark residents led by Steven Hegedus and Vic Sadot.

In general, however, the resolution states the council questions the provisions of the Act that could violate the civil liberties and rights of residents.

More than 200 cities have passed similar resolutions, including the Wilmington City Council.

# Plan would save \$\$\$ with energy management

## ► ENERGY, from 3

If, after the first 12 months, the district does not have a positive cash flow, between the fees to EEI and savings on utility bills, EEI guarantees they will write a check to the district for the difference of what was paid to them.

With consultant fees, salary of an employee, seminar travel and energy accounting software, the district's total investment would average \$380,000 a year for four years, then drop to less than \$80,000 each year after that, with most of the cost going toward salary of the manager. In six years EEI estimates the district would have a net savings of \$6 million, or a return of 339 percent.

Actual expenditures for the

school district in fiscal year 2003 were \$1.9 million for electricity and air conditioning, \$1.2 million for gas and heating and \$340,000 for water. According to Thresa Giles, director of finances, the costs can fluctuate year to year as much as \$500,000 depending on weather and fuel costs.

The dollars saved in the conservation of energy and reduced utility bills would be invested in programs that would directly

## Board to meet

The next regular Board of Directors meeting of the Christina School District will be Tuesday, Feb. 10, 7:30 p.m. at Jennie Smith Elementary School, 142 Brennan Dr., Todd Estates, Newark.

affect students, according to Lisa McVey, spokesperson for the district.

Energy conservation is one part of the process improvement initiative of Superintendent Joseph Wise in his statement to the Board of Education in August, 2003.

"...thousands of dollars are currently being spent that can be saved and those dollars can be used for instruction," said Wise.

Having been in business for 17 years, EEI has 1,800 clients in 45 states, including 580 school districts. The only other district in Delaware that utilizes their services is Caesar Rodney School District. EEI states that 90 percent of their clients have achieved net projection savings at 90 percent or better.

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# Sports

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Would Jackets have been honored if Hens hadn't won title too?

By **MARTY VALANIA**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

It was a nice gesture by the City of Newark to honor the University of Delaware football team for its national championship by claiming Newark as "Title Town."

The Blue Hens hadn't won a national title in more than 20 years and created an unprecedented amount of interest throughout the state.

Including the Newark High football team in this celebration, however, appears to be an afterthought.



The Yellowjackets have won six of the last seven state championships. They have had nationally ranked teams in the recent past. They have had some of the most highly recruited players in the country. Those squads were never honored by City Council or the mayor in a big ceremony.

I don't claim to speak for any of the Newark players or coaches. They may be thrilled to be included. If so, then my opinion doesn't really matter.

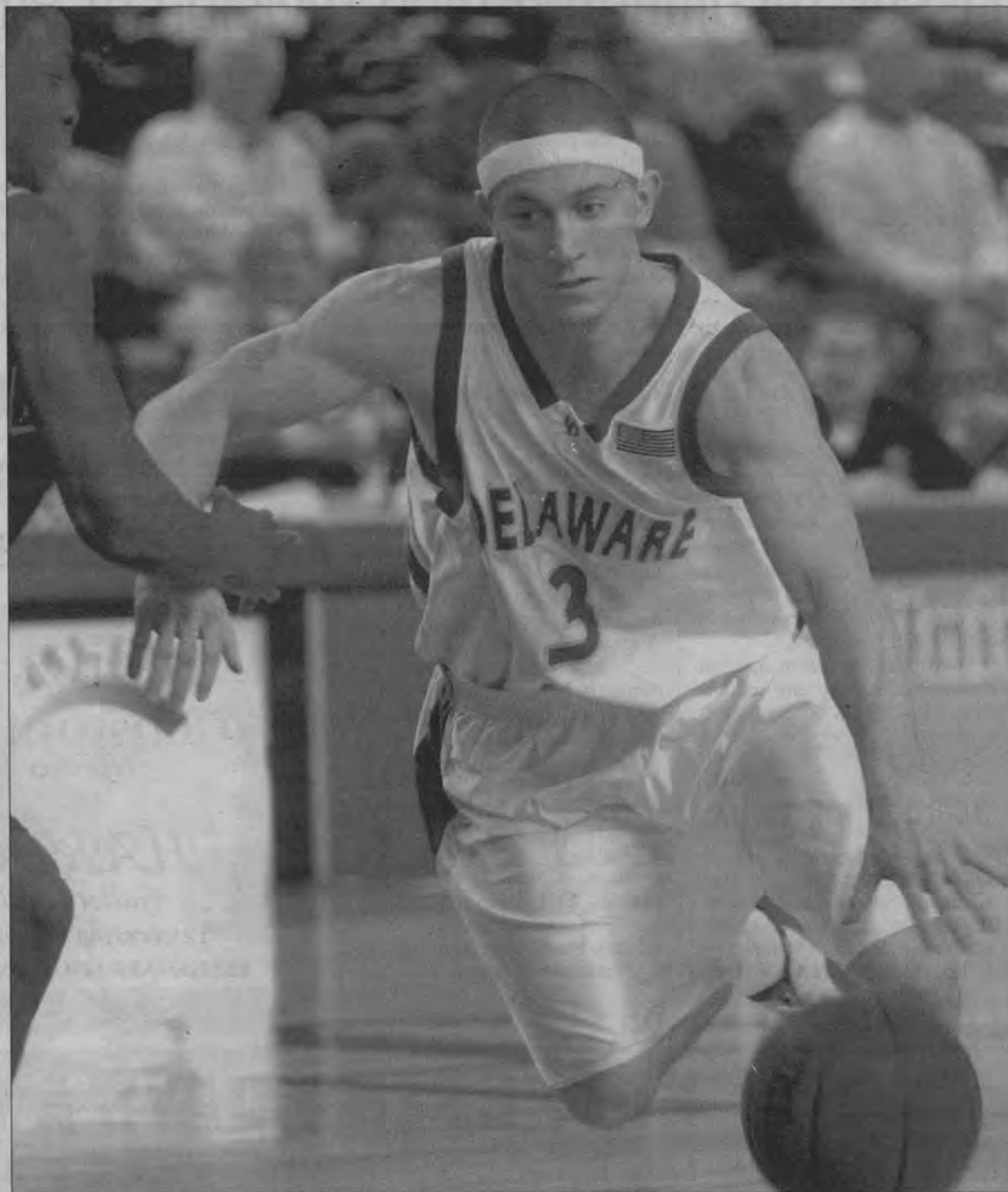
The question I have, though, is: Would the Yellowjackets have been honored if the Blue Hens hadn't won the NCAA I-AA title?

There's nothing wrong with honoring teams. It's a great idea. It's great for civic pride.

But to just lump the Jackets in with the Hens does them a disservice - and certainly does the previous five state title teams a disservice.

And if state champion football team is included, is the state champion girls swim team going to be honored as well?

## UD wins again at the buzzer



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY MIKE BIGGS

Delaware's Mike Slattery drives to the basket in the Hens' win over George Mason.

### Hens top JMU for first road victory

University of Delaware freshman Herb Courtney tipped in a miss by Mike Slattery just before the final buzzer as the Blue Hens won their first league road game of the season with a 63-61 Colonial Athletic Association men's basketball victory over host James Madison Saturday night at the JMU Convocation Center.

Courtney came off the bench to register team highs of 13 points and nine rebounds as the Blue Hens (12-7, 6-4 CAA) won for the fourth time in the last five games and swept the series over the last-place Dukes. The Hens downed JMU 80-66 back on Jan. 12 in Newark.

Mike Ames and Rulon Washington each added nine points for the Hens while

Slattery scored eight points and dished out six assists.

James Madison lost its fourth straight game and its ninth in its last 10 outings to fall to 4-14, 1-9 CAA. Dwayne Broyles led the Dukes with 17 points and eight rebounds while Daniel Freeman, Chris Williams, and Ray Barbosa each chipped in with nine points apiece.

The Hens, who have now had four of their last five games decided by two points or less or in overtime, won for the first time in five CAA road games this season. Delaware survived 17 turnovers and 38.9 percent shooting from the field (21 of 54). Both teams scored just 22 points each in the second half after the Hens had taken a 41-39 halftime advantage.

The contest featured 12 ties and neither team ever led by more than six points the entire

See **HENS, 16** ►

## Hens reap benefits of national title

### UD signs 18 football recruits; seven from Florida or Georgia

K.C. Keeler, head coach of the 2003 NCAA I-AA national champion University of Delaware football squad, announced Wednesday the addition

of 18 student-athletes who have signed NCAA National Letters of Intent to attend the University on an athletic scholarship and compete for the Blue Hen football team.

The Class of 2008 includes one quarterback, two running backs, three wide receivers, one tight end, one offensive lineman, three defensive linemen, two

linebackers, and five defensive backs. The players hail from seven different states and the District of Columbia.

The group will join a squad that is coming off the finest season in school history. In just the second year at the helm of his alma mater, Keeler led the Blue Hens to a 15-1 record and the sixth national championship in

school history. Delaware captured its first ever I-AA title and its first national championship since 1979 by dominating the post-season in decisive victories over Gateway Conference co-champions Southern Illinois and Northern Iowa, Southern Conference champion

Wofford, and previously

See **RECRUITS, 16** ►



# Blue Hen hockey team eyes tourney

By JOE BACKER

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

The University of Delaware's ice hockey team may be one of the best kept secrets in the Newark area, but not for long.

The club currently has a record of 11-13-2 heading into the final weeks of the regular season. With a few more victories, the Hens will probably be invited back to the ACHA (American Collegiate Hockey Association) National Tournament. This would be the ninth straight for a Delaware team to participate in the playoffs.

During the 2001-2002 season, the team was the national runner-up, and last season the Blue Hens advanced to the tourney's Final Four.

Head coach John O'Connor, a 1990 graduate of Penn State University, said the Hens are in a very competitive league. "We're still at the club level, but we play a very tough schedule which includes Navy, Rutgers, Villanova, West Virginia, Towson, and Penn State," he said. "Many of these club teams are as good as any NCAA Division III teams in the country."

This year's squad features a total of 18 new players, including 10 freshman, after graduating 15 seniors at the end of the 2002-2003 season.

"Obviously, we're a very young team, and one thing that's hurt us this year has been our inexperience, with so many new guys at this high level of competition," O'Connor said.

One of the bright spots this year is the goaltending. Freshman Mike Verdi has emerged as the Hens top netminder. O'Connor said Verdi shows lots of poise on the ice and is improving game by game.

"Also, our guys are learning 'trial by fire', the team is working hard every game and in every practice," said O'Connor.

This past weekend, the Hens hosted Ohio University, currently the number two club team in the country. Unfortunately, the Bobcats won both games, defeating the Hens 5-1 on Friday night, and came back to blank the team 3-0 on Saturday afternoon.

This weekend, Delaware travels to State College, Pa. to take on top-ranked Penn State Friday night and again on Saturday afternoon.

The Hens final three home games are scheduled for Saturday, February 14th, against Rutgers, and Feb. 20 and 21 against West Virginia.

Two of the three games take place in the Fred Rust Arena, and the other contest in the Blue arena, in the shadows of the U of D's Field House.

## Newark American Little League

Newark American Little League has held its registration already. For more information, call 368-8026 or go to [www.eteamz.com/newarkamerican](http://www.eteamz.com/newarkamerican).

## Newark National

Newark National Little League has held registrations already. For more information, call 738-0881 or go to [www.eteamz.com/newarknational](http://www.eteamz.com/newarknational).

## Midway Softball signups

Midway Softball will hold registration for girls ages 5-18 on Saturday, Feb. 7 and Feb. 14 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Harmony Grange on Limestone Rd.

For more information, contact Patty at 302-494-5450.

## Canal Little League

Registration dates have been set for the 2004 Canal Little League baseball and softball seasons. Registration will be held in the Grange Hall next to Peoples Plaza on the following dates/times:

Sat., Feb. 7th, 9am-2pm

# SPRING SPORTS REGISTRATIONS SLATED

## Bear Babe Ruth holds softball registration

Bear Babe Ruth will be holding softball registration for girls ages 7-16.

Registration will be at Red Lion Christian Academy on Feb. 5 from 6-8:30 p.m.

There will be opportunities to sign up for recreation teams or travel teams. There will also be three divisions of play - minor, major and senior. For more information, please call Joe Furness at 323-0407.

## Parks and Rec. offers fee assistance

Newark Parks and Recreation is committed to providing recreational opportunities to everyone. For this reason, a fee assistance program is available for qualifying individuals (youth and adult) to aid in the expense of its recreation programs. All inquiries and requests are strictly confidential.

For more information, please contact Joe Spadafino, recreation superintendent at 366-7060.

## Jazzercise offered

The Newark Senior Center is offering Jazzercise - Simply Lite on Mondays, 10:15 to 11:15 a.m., Tuesdays 5:40 to 6:30 p.m., and

Wednesdays, 9 to 10 a.m. This class provides warm up, cardio, strength, stretch and fun.

For more information/registration call 302-737-2336.

## Basketball offered

Newark Parks and Recreation is sponsoring a basketball league for boys and girls, ages 10-11. Cost is \$49 residents/ \$54 non-residents

For more information/registration, call 366-7060.

## Boys and Girls Club forming swim teams

The Boys and Girls Club on Route 40 in Bear, is now forming swim teams for ages 5-15. The programs are designed for children with no or very little competitive swim experience. Financial assistance and scholarships are available. Join anytime. All are welcome. Pre-Team ages 5-6 is held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4:45 p.m.; Junior A - ages 7-10 is held on Monday and Wednesday at 5:45 p.m.; and Junior B - ages 11-15 is held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:45.

For more information/registration call Coach White at 836-5784.

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## NEWARK POST ♦ SPORTS

# Keeler happy with his second recruiting class

## ► RECRUITS, from 14

unbeaten Colgate. The Hens downed Colgate 40-0 in the championship game, posting the first shutout and the highest victory margin in the history of the I-AA title game.

In addition to capturing the national title, the Hens won the Atlantic 10 Conference title, were named the Lambert Cup champions and ECAC Team of the Year as the top team in the East, and was named the Team of the Year in Delaware by the Delaware Sportswriters and Broadcasters Association.

"We offered scholarships to 20 kids and 18 accepted, which is virtually unheard of," said Keeler

of the recruiting class. "We are really excited about this group coming in. We like this group not only as football players but even more in terms of the types of personalities that they will bring to our football program. Winning the national championship obviously enhanced our recruiting. The fact that these kids saw us play on national television and that they saw our national championship trophies and what the ring will look like when they visited really had an impact. They could really look into the future and see the potential and the opportunities that they will have here. We are very thrilled. We were extremely happy with our first recruiting class last year but

I think we've even stepped it up a level this year."

Delaware will begin spring practice in mid-March and will hold the annual Blue-White Spring Game Apr. 16 at 7 p.m. at Delaware Stadium. The Hens will begin defense of their national title in the 2004 season opener at home vs. New Hampshire Sept. 2.

Members of the Blue Hens' recruiting class include: Demetrice Alexander (linebacker, 5-11, 202, Lilburn, Ga.), Fred Andrew (defensive back, 5-10, 180, Balrico, Fla.), David Beachy (tight end, 6-3, 205, Manassas, Va.), Manny Beneby (defensive back, 6-1, 170, Lauderhill, Fla.), Mike Byrne

(offensive lineman, 6-5, 265, Lititz, Pa.), Gomez Cambridge (running back, 5-10, 190, Riviera Beach, Fla.), Jim Casertano (defensive lineman, 6-2, 230, Hatfield, Pa.), Armand Cauthen (wide receiver, 6-1, 195, Douglasville, Ga.), Rafiq Gunthorpe (safety, 6-2, 175, Brandywine, Md.), Jahiri Gunthorpe (safety, 6-2, 176, Brandywine, Md.), Ralph Hines (linebacker, 5-11, 215, Lithonia, Ga.), Danny Jones (running back, 5-8, 170, Stratford, N.J.), Aaron

Love (wide receiver, 5-8, 160, Oak Park, Mich.), Manuel Marshall (defensive tackle, 6-3, 270, Cheverly, Md.), Mario McLean (defensive back, 6-2, 175, Towaco, N.J.), Kervin Michaud (wide receiver, 5-10, 170 Levittown, Pa.), Jarryd Moyer (quarterback, 6-4, 205, Manheim, Pa.) and Stephen Purkey (defensive end, 6-1, 235, Port St. Lucie, Fla.).

## Blue Hens edge Dukes

### ► HENS, from 14

game. The Hens led by as much as six points at 23-17 on a Slattery three-pointer with 8:25 left in the first half but the Dukes fought back to tie the game at 39-39 on a three-point play by Broyles with 56 seconds left. The Hens took the two-point lead into halftime as Calvin Smith tipped in a miss by Washington with four seconds left.

Although both teams struggled to score in the second half, James Madison managed to take a 48-43 lead on a Broyles layup with 14:04 left to play.

However, the Hens came back to take a 53-52 lead on a three-

pointer by

Chris Prothro with 9:53 left and Delaware would never trail again.

James Madison tied the score at 55-55 and again at 59-59 with 2:28 remaining but could never pull ahead. Freeman tied the game for the final time with 17 seconds remaining with two free throws, setting the stage for the Blue Hens' winning basket.

Slattery drove into the lane and put up a shot with two seconds left, but

Courtney was their to get the rebound and tipped the ball in just before the buzzer sounded to give Delaware the victory.

## Diamond Gymnasts Compete in Florida and Maryland

On the weekend of January 15th Diamond Gymnastics Levels 4-7 competed in the Maryland Classic in Prince George County, Maryland. Level 4 placed 3rd with a team score of 108. Dominique Tee placed 3rd on beam and 3rd on floor. Krystina Callahan placed 2nd on floor. Jenny Lash placed 4th all-around. Jenny was 3rd on vault (9.3) and 3rd on bars. In Level 5 Danielle Debevec (age 9) placed 3rd all-around. Kasey Prettyman (11+) was 1st all-around with a

37.3. Kasey was 1st on floor with a 9.325. Lindsay Prettyman (11+) was 1st on vault with a 9.2 and 3rd all-around. The Level 5 team finished first with a 109.95. The Level 6 team with Brittney Jones and Stephanie Jones finished first (104.05).

Diamond's Level 8-10 team competed in the 2004 International Tampa Bay Turners Optional Invitational January 16th-18th. Kelly Strickland and Patty Pierson helped their Level 8 team to a 1st place finish with a

score of 111.725. Kelly placed first on vault in seniors with a 9.325. Patty placed first on vault in juniors with a 9.55. Christina Jones, Level 9, placed 3rd all-around in Tampa.

The next competition for Levels 5-10 will be the weekend of February 13th-16th in Phoenix, Arizona. Level 4 next competes in Allentown, PA, Feb. 13th-15th at the Yurchenko Invitational.

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# Space, funds limit growth of club here

## ► CLUB, from 1

board has discussed Stritzinger's proposals and kept members apprised, but no decisions have yet been made.

"It's just too early to start talking about details," Gardner said.

Country club members are also shareholders.

From some club members' perspectives, a move might be supported because the club is in need of space but has no room to expand. Also, the competition for new members is made more difficult because there are newer clubs and courses nearby.

But members said there are drawbacks to moving, too. The club has been a city institution since its founding in 1921, and valuable open space could be lost to development.

Elbert Chance, a club member since 1964 who served on the board for 30 years up until a few years ago, said the decision presented to the board and its members is a "serious one" because newer facilities and space are needed.

"Many members feel it would be a shame to relinquish this pristine space in the city," Chance said. "But a lot of others would like to see improvements made, although it's unclear how it could be paid for, or if it can be done given the space restrictions."

Bill Hart, a 17-year club member, said "it's obvious to anyone" the current site has restrictions.

"It's a complicated deal and until there is a clear idea of the specifics I don't know how I'll feel, but in general, moving (to a new location) is not a great worry of mine," Hart said.

**"It's obvious to anyone the current site has restrictions."**

**BILL HART**

NEWARK COUNTRY CLUB MEMBER

Newark Mayor Hal Godwin said because the course is in the city limits and takes up a large area of open space, every resident will get a chance to be heard if development is proposed on the property.

"I don't have an opinion myself yet but I will say it is a private entity that can do what it wants," Godwin said. "But it's

also viewed by the community as non-developed open space and I am sure many in Newark would be very concerned with that being developed in any way."

Stritzinger has presented plans to Cecil County to build a 510-home development on 350 acres of open land next to Maryland's Fair Hill Natural Resource Area. And while sources close to the

project said he is considering reducing the number to 370, no plans have been submitted to the county.

The Newark Country Club has a long and rich history, beginning when it was founded by 60 stockholders from Newark, Wilmington and Elkton, who paid \$25 per share. Early on it was a center of social activity.

## Storms destroy historic railroad, fundraiser aids rebuilding

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## 'Stoney' Jackson, 82, prisoner of war in Germany

**F**ORMER Newark resident William M. "Stoney" Jackson II died Sunday, January 25, 2003.

Mr. Jackson, 82, was a ceramic engineer consultant for Humphrey Chemical Co. in Aberdeen, Maryland. Prior to that, he worked for Cabot Corporation in Boston, Mass.

He was a Emeritus member of the American Cancer Society for 25 years and a volunteer with the University of Delaware Ceramic Department. He was a member of AA for 28 years and a former Sunday School teacher for the Rye Presbyterian Church in Rye, N.Y.

He was a member of First United Church of Christ in Quakertown, Pa., a U.S. Army Air Corps Veteran serving during WWII and a prisoner of war in Germany.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Ruth E. Jackson; daughters Diane D. and her husband James of E. Dougherty of Greenville, Pa., Rhonda R. and her husband Paul Nowicki of Quakertown, Cindy C. and her husband Dale Ziegler of Coopersburg, and Wendy M. and her husband Brian Leone of Douglasville, Pa.; brother John K.

## Father James Francis Trainor

**N**EWARK resident Father James Francis Trainor died Tuesday, Jan. 27, 2004 at the Jeanne Jugan Residence.

Father Trainor, 69, attended school at St. Monica's, St. John the Baptist's and Roman Catholic High School, all in Philadelphia. He studied for the priesthood at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Philadelphia, St. Mary's College, St. Mary, Ky. and with completion at St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore.

He was ordained on May 16, 1964 at St. Peter's Cathedral, Wilmington, by Bishop Michael W. Hyle.

Father served as associate pastor at Holy Spirit, New Castle, St. John the Beloved, Wilmington, St. Mary Refuge of Sinners,

Cambridge, Md. and St. Thomas the Apostle, Wilmington.

In 1975, he was appointed pastor of St. Mary's/St. Patrick's Church, Wilmington, where he served until his death.

Father Trainor served as a member of the Diocesan Building Commission, the Board of St. Mark's High School and as Chaplain to the New Castle County Police, the Irish Cultural Club of Delaware, the Irish March 17 Society and the Ave Maria Circle 1068 of the Daughters of Isabella.

In 1997, Father received the "Bill Frank's Hero Award" for revitalizing the two inner city parishes to which he was assigned, working with the poor in Wilmington & developing St.

Patrick's Senior Center.

He is survived by his brothers, Thomas of Montrose, Pa, William of Leonardtown, Md. and Raymond of Philadelphia, Pa.; and brother-in-law, Rodger Devlin; his niece, Ms. Eileen Rosati.

A service was scheduled at St. Patrick's Church in Wilmington.

Burial is in All Saints Cemetery, Wilmington.

The family requests donations in Fr. Trainor's memory to St. Patrick's Center, 1414 King Street, Wilmington, DE 19801; or to Little Sisters of the Poor, 185 Salem Church Road, Newark, DE 19713.

Jackson of Brunswick, Maine, 11 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Services were scheduled at First United Church of Christ in Quakertown Pa.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 325 Chestnut St., Suite 1120, Philadelphia, Pa 19106, or to First United Church of Christ, P.O. Box 437 Quakertown, Pa. 18951.

## Arthur L. Linderman, in Iraq as contractor

Newark area resident Arthur L. "Art" Linderman died Monday, January 26, 2004.

Mr. Linderman, 58, died from

injuries sustained in the service of his country and the freed people of Iraq after he was ambushed by insurgents near Tikrit January 14, 2004.

Mr. Linderman was in Iraq as a defense contractor for Kellogg, Brown & Root, a division of the Halliburton Corporation, to assist in the rebuilding of the country's post-war infrastructure. A former marine who served in the Vietnam War, he had been eager and proud to once again support U.S. troops in their mission to bring freedom to an oppressed people.

He was a member of the New Castle United Methodist Church, Teamster's Union Local #326, Stahl Post 30 American Legion, and Colonial Post 838 VFW. In his leisure time, he was an avid Eagles

and Phillies fan and enjoyed horse-shoes, softball and working on cars.

He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Linda L. (Williams) Linderman; children, Deanna L. Linderman of Middletown, Arthur L. Linderman III of New Castle and Janet E. Linderman of Middletown; grandchildren, Robert Blake, Arthur Preston Linderman and Makayla Linderman; and aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Services were scheduled at the Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home in New Castle.

Interment with military honors is scheduled in the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Bear.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Arthur Linderman Survivors Fund, c/o PNC

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## Matthew Obrigawitch, 20, student here at UD

Newark area resident Matthew T. Obrigawitch died Friday, January 23, 2004.

Matthew, 20, was a student at the University of Delaware and a 2001 graduate of Salesianum High School.

He was an Eagle Scout and a member of Concordia Lutheran Church. An avid outdoorsman, he enjoyed backpacking and fishing. Other hobbies included reading and creative writing.

He is survived by his wife, Lisa; father Timothy T. Obrigawitch of Hockessin; and mother, Jill O. Benitz of Avondale, Pa.; brother, Benjamin of Hockessin; his paternal grandparents, Tobias and Martha Obrigawitch of Murieta, Calif.; maternal grandmother, Jerry Benitz of Stewartville, Mo.; stepbrother and stepsister, John and Alexander Hulihan, both of Hockessin; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Services were private. The family suggests contributions to Pace, Inc. 5171 W. Woodmill, Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808.

## J. Marvin Turner, 82, WWII vet, Christiana Care volunteer

Former Newark resident J. Marvin Turner died Saturday, January 24, 2004.

Mr. Turner, 82, worked for DuBois Chemical for 30 years.

He was a member of St. Mark's United Methodist Church for 30

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years and former member of the McCabe Methodist Church from his youth until 1975.

He was a flight engineer of the B-17 during WWII where he flew 50 missions in the Army Air Corps.

He was a volunteer at the Christiana Hospital, Read Aloud program and Meals on Wheels.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, L. Frances Turner of Willow Valley Lakes, Lancaster, Pa.; daughter, Sandra Walbert; sons, Jim Turner and Jeff Turner; eight grandchildren; and one great grandchild.

Services were scheduled at the Doherty Funeral Home in Pike Creek. Burial is in Gracelawn Memorial Park, New Castle.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions to St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 1700 Limestone Rd., Wilmington, DE 19808; or to the Alzheimer's Assoc., 2306 Kirkwood Hwy., Wilmington, DE 19805.

### Elwood S. "Puddy" Roy, Sr., retired postal employee, WWII vet

Newark resident Elwood S. "Puddy" Roy, Sr. died Friday, January 23, 2004.

Mr. Roy, 81, was a former WWII vet and retired employee of the U.S. Postal Service and the Newark Senior Center. Puddy was active in many civic groups.

He was a lifetime member of the American Legion and the NAACP.

He received numerous awards, most recently the Lifetime Achievement from the NAACP and a 'Diploma' for American Vets of WWII from the Consulat General De France for appreciation of his role in liberating France.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Madeline; daughters, Beverly McCollister and husband, Ken, Victoria Hubbard, Marilyn Jackson and her husband, Jack; sons, James Roy and his wife, Dale, and Douglas Roy; granddaughters, Tanlyne Word, Tamika Hubbard, Lakeshia Roy, Tairen and Tiyona McCollister; great granddaughter, Taylin Minor; and sister, Sadie Roy.

Service were scheduled at Pilgrim Baptist Church in Newark.

### Douglas James Tilley, former administrator at Hodgson Vo-Tech

Former Newark resident Douglas James Tilley died Saturday, January 24, 2004.

Mr. Tilley, 69, received a Bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Charleston and a Master's degree and two additional years of advanced graduate study at the University of Delaware.

Mr. Tilley taught several years in MD eventually becoming a guidance counselor and administrator at the Cecil County Vocational Technical Center.

In 1967 he became principal of

Sussex County Vocational-Technical School in Georgetown.

In 1969, he was appointed superintendent of the newly created Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational-Technical School District located in suburban Boston.

In 1973, Mr. Tilley returned to Delaware to plan, build and administer the Paul M. Hodgson Vocations-Technical School for Newark (now Christina) School District.

He left public school education in 1985 to establish Douglas Tilley Associates, Ltd., a consulting group specializing in educational and manpower training services for developing countries.

He is survived by his wife Martha J. Tilley; brother-in-law, James A. Yocum and his wife, Phyllis Yocum; one niece; and five nephews.

Service was scheduled at the McCrery Memorial Funeral Home Burial is in the Arlington Cemetery, Pennsauken, NJ.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Col. Howard R. Yocum School PTA, North Forkland Road, Maple Shade, NJ 08052.

### Edward Roy Stiff, city manager of Newark

Former Newark resident Edward

Roy Stiff died Friday, January 23, 2004.

Mr. Stiff, 73, was the former city manager of Newark and Smyrna, Delaware. Services were held in Ashtabula, Ohio.

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## NOTEPAD

### Workshop Friday

**C**HRISTINA School District's Superintendent's Task Force will meet with the Board of Education for a public workshop on Friday, Feb. 6, 6:30 p.m. at Gauger-Cobbs School, 50 Gender Rd., Scottfield, Newark.

The Task Force will be presenting their vision for the district and answering questions on their recommendations to develop a top-notch, "nationally renowned high school of excellence in the city of Wilmington" and options for changing grade configurations to reduce the number of times students change schools from kindergarten to graduation.

The meeting is open to the public.

### Input sought

Six community meetings have been scheduled throughout the district to allow the Superintendent's Task Force to seek input from the public. The next two meetings are 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, Bayard Intermediate School, 200 S. DuPont Street, Wilmington, and Monday, Feb. 9, Glasgow High School, 1901 S. College Ave., Newark. Meetings are open to all residents of the district.

### STUDENT OF THE WEEK

**K**ENDALL Watts, a third grader at West Park Place Elementary School, was selected by Principal Dave McCarthy and staff as this week's Student of the Week. In addition to being a hard working student, Kendall is very dependable, assisting classmates and staff each day during the school breakfast.



Watts

He also provides assistance to other children on his bus, acting as a mentor and counselor to them.

# Locals top state contest

## Art program brings out student creativity

By ROBIN BROOMALL

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

**H**IGH school students in the Christina School District were well represented in the winners' circle of a state art contest.

Eighteen students at Newark and Christiana High Schools are among the winners of the 2004 Scholastic Art Awards, Delaware Region. Their pieces will be exhibited through Saturday, Feb. 7 at the Arts Center/Gallery of the Delaware State University, Dover. Only 10 single entries per school were permitted.

Kasia Brzozowski, a senior at Christiana High School, is one of the Gold Key winners in printmaking. This was the first time she had entered an art contest.

"I had no idea at first, just worked on it. We had to do something about buildings, a dream building," said Brzozowski.

Her award winning piece was done in a process called chine colle'. Water colors are done on rice paper. Then pieces of the rice paper are torn up and glued on another piece of paper. A design is carefully cut out of a rubber block which is inked up and the paper is slid across the inked block.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY ROBIN BROOMALL

Art students at Christiana High School work on collagraphs. From left, Clinton Perdue, Cuc Bui, Kasia Brzozowski and Nasser Baeshen.

Brzozowski's inspiration for her print came from the castles in Poland. Brzozowski's family came to America when she was 13 years old. She still remembers the castles in the older sections of her homeland.

Cuc Bui, another Gold Key

winner, also draws on her culture and background for inspiration. Bui, a junior, came from Vietnam when she was 13 years old. Her entry was a very detailed design that looked like the Taj Mahal in India. Now Bui is thinking about studying to be a professional

designer of clothes.

Printmaking is just one of six visual arts that are taught in the Christina high schools, along with design, drawing, painting, sculpture and ceramics.

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**T**WO flight teams from Marshall Elementary School have been selected to participate in "Launching a Dream," a program of the school and the Aerospace Education Foundation.

At a school assembly on Jan. 8, Dr. Stephanie Wright, founder of the program, announced the names of the two 12-person teams that will now begin a four-month training program, during which they will perform experiments on plant growth, animal behavior, water and soil testing as well as learn map-reading skills.

Additionally, the astronauts will build and launch rockets assisted by the University of Delaware mechanical engineering students and design and construct Mars experiments and a rover. Other assignments include mission control, flight planners/controllers and security/public affairs officers. ALKA Enterprises has finished con-

## Flight crews chosen at Marshall

structing two new shuttles (buses) with funds from an MBNA grant. The two teams will board their shuttles, with the experiment results, and be transported to Dover Air Force Base on May 20, docking with a C-5 Space Station.

In December, second, third and fourth graders applied for the program and went through an extensive interview process and trials, similar to what real astronauts go through. All students in the school participated in some aspect of the program,



such as naming the two orbiters and logo design.

The winning orbiter names are Astro Crayon Explorer 2004 (ACE 2004) and Thurgood Marshall Space Travelers.

Logo design winners are Robert Abishek and Alina Ehsan.

It was also announced that Lynne Bloome,

coordinator of the aerospace program at Marshall School, is the recipient of a 2004 National Educator Grant from the Aerospace Education Foundation.

Astro Crayon Explorers are: Robert Abishek, Angelia D'Occhio, Aaron Ellsworth,

Jesal Gandhi, Matthew Higgins, Thomas Krauss, Jasmine Mapp, Pranita Muralidhar, Sheevangi Pathak, Ashley Pipari, Abishek Rao and Jackson Welker.

Thurgood Marshall Space Travelers are: Shawn Bahm, Ryan Cheng, Vienna D'Occhio, Austin Fuller, Nina Krauss, Conner Laney, Anthony Modica, Shawn Sibert, Erika Silliman, Gil Stamm, Kerry Tucker and Anijah Waters.

The Aerospace Education Foundation is a nonprofit organization created in 1956 to promote educating the public and youth on the importance of science and technology.

Marshall will be hosting science night Wednesday, Feb. 11, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. with 21 science stations manned by the astronauts and a shuttle (bus) available for touring. The school is located at 101 Barrett Run Road, Newark. Public is invited. For directions call 454-4700.

— Robin Broomall



## ▶ MEETINGS, from 11

**TAI CHI** 2:30 p.m. Wednesday or Monday; 11:15 a.m. Friday, at Newark Senior Center. \$20/month. 737-2336.

**FAMILY CIRCLES** 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Newark Senior Center. 658-5177.

## ■ THURSDAY, FEB. 12

**HARMONY WEAVERS** 10 a.m. meeting with special guest speakers David and Barbara Fraser sharing their knowledge of the weaving process created by the Chin hilltribes of western Myanmar in Burma. 500 Greenbank Rd. Info. and directions, 654-2556.

**TAKING CARE OF OUR SHADY CHARACTERS** 7 p.m. lecture for the home gardener at the Delaware Center for Horticulture. To reserve your spot, call 658-6262.

**NAMI-DE** 7:30 p.m. support group meeting for family members of persons living with mental illness the second Thursday of every month at St. James Episcopal Church on Kirkwood Highway. Info. 427-0787.

**DSI THUMBS UP** 2nd & 4th Thursdays. Stroke support group meeting offering educational topics, peer support and guests who are experts in rehabilitative services at the Newark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Sponsored by Delaware Stroke Initiative. Free. Info., 633-9313.

**NEWCOMERS WELCOME CLUB** 2nd Thursday of every month. Meeting for women who have recently moved to the area or who have experienced a lifestyle change, to assimilate into the civic life and social activities of the community at the PAL Center, Route 41, Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. For more info., call Angelica Ariano at 376-3837.

**TOASTMASTERS** 7 p.m. second and fourth Thursday. Greater Elkton chapter meets at Cecil County Department of Aging to develop potential and overcome fear of public speaking. Public welcome. Info. 410-287-3290.

**BRIGHT FUTURES** 1 p.m. Breast cancer support group meets second and fourth Thursdays at Christiana Hospital in the Medical Arts Pavilion #2. Info. 733-3900.

**EVENING YOGA** 6:15 p.m. class to encourage relaxation and improve strength, balance, and peace of mind. \$15 per month at Newark Senior Center. Info. 737-2336.

**DIVORCECARE** 7-8:30 p.m. Separated/divorced persons meet at Southern Chester County YMCA, East Baltimore Pike, Jenersville, Pa. Childcare available; ages 7 and up get to swim. 610-869-2140.

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

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## ▶ BOOKS, from 8

and no one is making us do it," she said, also speaking for McNeill.

She said that the organization had a wonderful foundation from the start, and it keeps getting better every day.

Their families are big supporters of what they are doing, and are always the first to volunteer, she said.

The future of Success Won't Wait could mean expansion and getting out their message to others. Major goals are to expand into Kent and Sussex counties.

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## Creativity leads Christiana, Newark art students to top

## ▶ ART, from 20

According to Christiana's art teacher, Caroline Beck, approximately 20 students are enrolled in each of those classes.

The curriculum for the classes satisfies the state standards for visual arts, where students are expected to analyze and use different types of media and techniques, express their ideas and experiences through art and

understand the relationship of visual arts to diverse cultures, times and places.

Scholastic art contest winners from Christiana High School, under the direction of Caroline Beck, are: Gold Key: Cuc Bui, Kasia Brzozowski, Betsey Woodruff. Silver Key: Josh Adams, Neshay Stephens, Lauren Shupe. Merit Award: Anita Brown, Tommy Rodriguez.

Winners from Newark High

School, under the direction of Karen Yarnell and Pat Yount, are: Gold Key: Becket Gordon, Shawn Walker. Silver Key: Claire Davis, Jessica Ysais, Mike Cooper, Chris Harper, Diana Hechter, Allison Rudolph, Larkin Salemi, Laura Yarnall. Merit Award: Allison Rudolph.

A reception for the winning art pieces will be held Saturday, Feb. 7, beginning at 11 a.m. The awards ceremony will begin at 1

p.m. in the Education and Humanities Theatre at Delaware State University. Following the ceremony Gold Key works will be packed and sent to New York City for national judging. Silver Key pieces will be on display for one month in the Department of Education offices in the Townsend Building in Dover.

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## SPRING ARTS CLASSES 2004

### MARCH 1-JUNE 6

#### ADULT CLASSES

##### MONDAYS

DRAWING: Charcoal/Graphite/105	4/19-5/24	7-9 pm
BOOKMAKING: Bookbound/113	5/3-24	4:30-6:30 pm
PRINTMAKING: Collographs/114	3/7-4/14	10-noon
PRINTMAKING:		

Basic Screen Printing/115	3/1-4/5	6:30-8:30 pm
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##### TUESDAYS

DRAWING: High School Students/106	4/20-5/25	4-6 pm
PHOTO: Intro to Photo/109	4/13-5/25	6-8 pm
CLAY: Intro to Hand Building/118	4/13-5/18	6:30-8:30 pm

##### WEDNESDAYS

CREATIVE WRITING:		
Finding Your Ideas/112	3/3-4/14	7:30-9:30 pm
PAINTING: Intro to Watercolor/101	4/21-5/26	6-9 pm
PHOTO: Non-Darkroom Class/107	4/21-5/26	7-9:30 pm

##### THURSDAYS

PAINTING: Intro to Acrylic/103	4/1-5/20	6:30-9 pm
SCULPTURE: Abstract Sculpture for High School Students/117	3/4-4/8	4-6 pm

##### FRIDAYS

CREATIVE WRITING: Poetry/111	4/23-5/28	6-7 pm
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##### SATURDAYS

PAINTING: Intro to Acrylic, Oil, Watercolor/102	4/3-5/29	7-9 pm
DRAWING: Charcoal Portraits/104	4/3-5/22	4-6 pm
FIBER ARTS: Basic Sewing for Teens/122	4/3-5/1	3-4:30 pm

##### SUNDAYS

PHOTO: Open Lab/108	4/25 & 5/23	12-5 pm
CREATIVE WRITING:		
Poetry Workshop/110	3/21-5/23	2-4 pm
PRINTMAKING: Primitive Prints with Erasers/116	3/7-3/28	1-4 pm
POLYMER CLAY: Primitive Bead Making/119	5/16-6/6	1-4 pm
FIBER ARTS: Primitive Story Quilts/120	4/4-5/2	1-4 pm
FIBER ARTS: The Art Of the Doll/121	3/7-5/2	4:30-7 pm

#### WORKSHOPS

PAINTING: Paint the Classroom Ceiling/148	4/24 & 4/25	9 am-3 pm
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#### TEEN CLASSES

##### MONDAYS

DRAWING: Drawing 11/128	3/1-4/26	4-6 pm
SCULPTURE:		
Recycling/Fantasy Creature/131	3/1-5/17	4-6 pm

##### TUESDAYS

CARTOONING: Express Yourself/123	3/2-4/6	6-8 pm
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##### WEDNESDAYS

MUSIC: Beginner Guitar/134	3/3-4/14	5-7 pm
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##### THURSDAYS

DRAWING: Drawing 1/124	3/4-4/20	3:30-5:30 pm
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##### FRIDAYS

DRAWING: Drawing 11/127	4/23-5/28	7-9 pm
MUSIC: Beginner Drums/135	4/5-4/30	3-5 pm

##### SATURDAYS

DRAWING: Drawing 1/125	4/10-5/22	2-4 pm
DRAWING: Drawing 1, Cartooning/126	4/10-5/22	10 am-noon
PAINTING: Acrylic, Watercolor, Charcoal/129	4/10-5/22	12:30-2:30 pm
SCULPTURE: Junk Sculpture/130	3/6-3/27	6:30-8:30 pm
MIXED MEDIA: Mask Making/132	3/13-3/27	11 am-1 pm

#### KIDS CLASSES

##### WEDNESDAYS

MIXED MEDIA: Art Club/136	4/3-4/26	3:30-5 pm
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##### FRIDAYS

SCULPTURE: Junk Sculpture/138	5/7-5/28	4-6 pm
DRAWING: Drawing 1/141	3/5-4/16	6-8 pm

##### SATURDAYS

DRAWING: Drawing 11/139	5/1-5/29	1-2:30 pm
PAINTING: Intro/140	3/6-4/17	1-2:30 pm

#### PRESCHOOL CLASSES

##### SATURDAYS

PAINTING: Parent & Me/143	5/1-5/22	9:30-11 am
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#### CLASSES FOR HOMESCHOOLERS

##### MONDAYS

ELEMENTARY ART/145	3/1-5/17	9:30-11:30 am
SECONDARY ART/146	3/1-5/17	noon-2 pm

##### FRIDAYS

DRAWING: Drawing 1/147	4/2-5/28	noon-2 pm
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Bishop Marian L. Rudd, Pastor & Founder

Prayer Tues. & Fri 12 noon - Sun. School 8:30 am

Morning Worship 10:00 am

Tues. Bible Study 7:00-8:30 pm

Christian Enrichment Class: Tues 7:00-8:30 pm, For All Ages



# CHURCH DIRECTORY

For Changes or New Ads Call Nancy Tokar at  
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Ad deadline is Monday 3pm before the Friday's run.

## First Assembly of God

Reverend Alan Basmeny

Christian Education—Sunday 9:30 a.m. • Sunday Worship 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 6:00 p.m. •  
FUSION Youth—Sunday 6:00 p.m. • Family Night—Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

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### SUPPOSE...

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**Theme:** A Church After The  
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### SUNDAY

Morning Worship 11am  
(Children's Church provided during Sunday  
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### TUESDAY

Prayer 7pm  
Bible Advance (Sword of the Spirit)  
7:30-9:30pm

(Bible Study for Children 2 yrs of age plus)

### FRIDAY

Wholeness Ministry 8pm  
(Special ministries support group)  
Men's Ministries 1st Friday  
Women's Ministries 2nd Friday  
Singles Ministries/Divorce Care 3rd Friday  
Marriage Ministry 4th Friday

### SATURDAY

Boyz 2 Men/Girlz 2 Women-2nd Sats  
12pm-4pm Youth Mentor Program for ages 12-19

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### Sunday Morning Worship

8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am Services  
9:30 am Sunday School for all ages  
Infant/Toddler nurseries at 9:30 & 11:00  
9:30 service broadcast WAMS 1260 AM

## St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

E. Main & N. Chapel Streets

Daily Mass: Mon - Sat 8 a.m.

Sunday Mass: 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m.

## Holy Angels' Catholic Church

82 Possum Park Road

Weekend Masses: Saturday 5 p.m.

Sunday 9, 10:30, 12:00 noon

2 p.m. (Spanish)

Pastor: Father Richard Reissmann

Rectory Office: 731-2200

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316 Red Mill Rd. - Newark, DE.

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302-737-2511

Pastor: Dr. Drew Landrey

### Sunday Services:

9a.m. -10a.m.- Contemporary service  
10:30a.m.-11:30a.m.- Traditional Service  
Sun Sch 9a.m.-10a.m., 2nd Sun Sch 10:30a.m.-11:30am  
Wed. Evening Family Activities 5:15- 9p.m.



2 Cor. 3:17  
... "where the Spirit of the  
Lord is, there is liberty."

### SUNDAY

Sunday School 9:15 a.m.  
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.  
AWANA Club 6:00 p.m.  
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.  
Solid Rock Teen Ministry 6:00 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY

Mid Week Bible Study & Prayer  
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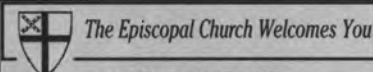
## Impacting Your World Christian Center

Pastors: Ray and Susan Smith  
10 Chestnut Road (West Creek Shoppes)  
Elkton, MD 21921

Sunday Worship Service 11:00am  
Nursery Available

Thursday Bible Study 7:00pm  
Saturday Teen Ministry 10:00am

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL:  
410-996-8986



### St. Thomas's Parish

276 S. College Ave. at Park Place, Newark, DE 19711  
(302) 368-4644 Church Office (9:00-1:00 Mon.-Fri.)  
(302) 366-0273 Parish Information Hotline  
www.stthomasparish.org

### Sunday Worship

8:00am Holy Eucharist, Rite One  
10:30am Family Worship-Holy Eucharist  
5:30pm Holy Eucharist, Inclusive Language

The Rev. Thomas B. Jensen, Rector  
The Rev. Jay Angerer, Assistant & Episcopal  
Campus Minister

Ms. Lynne Turner, Director of Children's Ministries  
Ms. Kay Leventry, Head Preschool Teacher



## First Church of Christ, Scientist

48 West Park Place, Newark

Sunday Service & Sunday School 10:00 AM  
Wednesday Testimony Meetings 7:30 PM  
Public Reading Room - 82 E. Main St., Newark

Mon. - Fri. 12:00 - 5:00 PM

Sat. & Sun. 12:00 - 4:00 PM

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302-456-5808

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Sun 10:30 AM... Traditional Worship Service  
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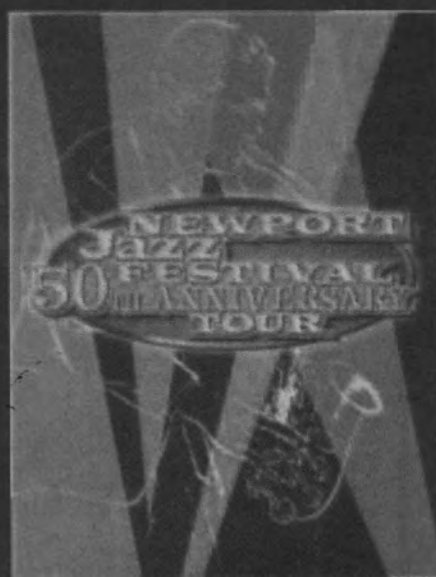
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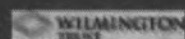
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