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The Christiana Towers, two 17-story apartment-style dormitories on UD's Laird Campus, are scheduled for demolition in 2023 or 2024 following the construction of a new residence hall on South College Avenue.

UD to knock down Christiana Towers, take over Courtyard apartments

By **BROOKE SCHULTZ**
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As the newest Blue Hens wrap up their second week of classes at the University of Delaware, this year marks the second of the university's planned expansion.

Christopher Lucier, vice president for enrollment management, said the expansion is in line with President Dennis Assanis' vision for the university – moving UD “further up in the level of outstanding public universities in the United States,” he said.

“Central to that is seeing the university as the



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The University Courtyard, a private student apartment complex, will be acquired by the university next year and converted into dorms.

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Housing proposal moves forward

Plan calls for 18 homes on Paper Mill Road

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A developer is one step closer to being able to build 18 single-family homes on a vacant wooded lot on Paper Mill Road.

On Tuesday, the planning commission OK'd the developer's request to annex and rezone the property, and the plan will move on to city council for final approval.

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Christina to offer ALICE training

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As students head back to school for the fall, the topic of school safety has remained prominent in the conversation.

Before the school year formally began, Ed Mayfield, assistant to the superintendent and director of operations, noted the ways the Christina School District practices safety efforts in its buildings during the August board of education meeting.

“The Christina School District is committed to creating a safe, supportive and inclusive environment

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The week ahead

Healthcare workshop: Today, 1 to 2:30 p.m., at Newark Free Library, 750 Library Ave. Learn how to locate resources to help pay for costly prescriptions. Free.

First Friday Ride: Tonight, 6 p.m., at Newark Shopping Center. A casual community bike ride sponsored by BikeNewark begins at the shopping center and travels through the city. After the ride, participants will meet for food and drinks at The Deer Park Tavern. Participants may park for free at the shopping center.

Sheldon Shuffle 5K: Saturday, 9 a.m., at Olan Thomas Park, 89 Paper Mill Road. The 5K run/walk will raise money for Exceptional Care for Children, a pediatric nursing home near Newark. An after-party will be held at Klondike Kate's. Registration \$25 at www.fusion-racetiming.com.

Writing workshop: Saturday, 9:30 a.m., at the Judge Morris Estate, 76 Polly Drummond Hill Road. Local author Ramona DeFelice Long and poet Jane Miller, both Delaware Division of the Arts award recipients, will conduct a writing workshop that shifts participants between two writing forms: poetry and prose. \$10. Bring a lunch.

Second Saturday Nature Crafts: Saturday, 12:30 p.m., at Glasgow Park Bank Barn, 2275 Pulaski Highway. Attendees can create decorative items using natural materials like seed pods, grasses, twigs and more. Free.

City council meeting: Monday, 7 p.m., at city hall, 220 S. Main St. Council will hear budget presentations and vote on a proposal to expand the parking lot behind the Main Street Galleria.

9/11 remembrance ceremony: Tuesday, 9 a.m., at Olan Thomas Park, 89 Paper Mill Road. The city and UD will remember those lost in the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. Open to the public. After the ceremony, volunteers will help clean up the park as part of the National Day of Service. Volunteers can sign-up on-site or in advance by calling 302-366-7000 or emailing parksrec@newark.de.us.

College Square meeting: Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. at Newark Senior Center, 200 Whitechapel Drive. Representatives of the owner of College Square Shopping Center will hold an informal public meeting to discuss plans to redevelop a portion of the site into apartments.

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ROTC cadets from the University of Delaware fold a flag during a 9/11 remembrance ceremony at Olan Thomas Park last year.

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Ceremony remembers soldiers who died at Cooch's Bridge

By JOSH SHANNON

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Historians, public officials and others gathered Saturday to honor the soldiers who gave their lives at the Battle of Cooch's Bridge.

Saturday's ceremony was the 12th annual remembrance organized by the Pencader Heritage Museum, which is located on part of the battlefield at the corner of Old Baltimore Pike and Route 72. Approximately two-dozen continental soldiers are believed to have died during the battle — the only Revolutionary War battle fought in Delaware.

"Men from both sides perished in the fight here and are buried somewhere on the battlefield between here and Glasgow," James Stone, a Pencader board member, said. "This area is hallowed ground."

The Battle of Cooch's Bridge took place Sept. 3, 1777. Nearly 17,000 British and Hessian troops landed at the Head of Elk — now Elkton, Md. — and marched toward Philadelphia in an ultimately successful attempt to capture the colonial capital. Gen. George Washington sent 800 soldiers to Cooch's Bridge to scout out and delay the enemy, ordering them to "provide every possible annoyance."



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James Stone, a Pencader Heritage Area Association board member, speaks Saturday at a ceremony honoring those who died at the Battle of Cooch's Bridge.

Hiding in the woods west of the bridge, the Continental Army and militiamen ambushed the approaching British troops.

The fighting lasted for a few hours before a British charge forced the Americans to retreat. The British occupied the area, including the Cooch house, for five days before marching through Newark and onto the Battle of Brandywine. During Saturday's ceremony, meant to commemorate the 241st anniversary of the battle, volunteers read the names of the soldiers who died or were wounded. Historian Wade Catts told the stories of some of those soldiers, relying on letters and other documents from that time period.

Serial robbers sentenced for three-state 'reign of terror'

By JOSH SHANNON

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Two men are facing at least 15 years in federal prison for a three-state robbery spree in 2016.

Brian Branch and Michael Kolmonen and engaged in a "reign of terror" over several months as they robbed 20 stores in Delaware, Pennsylvania and Maryland, Chief U.S. District Court Judge Leonard P. Stark remarked last week while sentencing them to 16.5 and 15 years, respectively.

"In almost every robbery, Branch entered the store, brandished a gun, and demanded money from the register," Kim Reeves, a spokeswoman for the U.S. Attorney's Office in Delaware, said in a statement. "The two men victimized 30 people, most of whom were teenagers or the elderly. The victims were as young as 17 and as old as 76 years old."



KOLMONEN



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Robberies in the Newark area included the Walgreens in Harmony Plaza, the Walgreens in Brookside Shopping Center, the Walgreens on Possum Park Road, the CVS in Brookside, the Rite Aid in Omega Shopping Center and the Valero Shore Stop on Old Baltimore Pike.

"These robberies were particularly brazen; the defendants robbed stores in broad daylight and their victims were often the most vulnerable among us — employees whose only crime was trying to make a living," U.S. Attorney David Weiss said in a statement.

The robbers' spree came to an end Sept. 21, 2016, just minutes after they robbed a Walgreens in Elkton, Md. Acting on information from Elkton Police, Delaware State Police troopers captured the men in the parking lot of a Wawa in Bear, moments after they had crossed the state line.

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School Is In! Watch Those Kids!

Boutiques switch things up to succeed in downtown Newark

Suffering from impact of online retailers, Grassroots downsizes

By BROOKE SCHULTZ
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After being in business for more than 40 years, the owners of Grassroots are used to reinventing themselves. With that comes with another move for the store, though this time, it's just to the back room of the same storefront.

"We try to go with the times," said Marilyn Dickey, the original owner of the East Main Street boutique. "I basically own this whole floor, so I'm able to lease the front and we have plenty of space in the back. It seemed like the time to do this."

Customers will now enter the storefront on Academy Street. There are steps and a handicapped-accessible entrance, Dickey noted.

Dickey retired three years ago and left the business to daughters Kristin Short and Joanna Staib, but retirement didn't quite take, she said.

The decision to downsize and move to the back of the store is to ultimately be more efficient and save money, she said. The move comes a year after the store leased part of its storefront to a calzone restaurant.

"The reaction has been great. People love the little spot," she said. She added that, beyond cutting expenses, it's a nice location – the windows offer a lot of natural light.

"The internet has really impacted small businesses," she said. "Retail in general has been tough because

younger generations shop online; everybody shops online."

Since opening in 1975, the business changed locations three times before landing in its current home, the former Newark Opera House at 93 E. Main Street. While the 2007 recession forced the family to close their Hockessin, Trolley Square and North Wilmington locations, they later were able to take the boutique on the road through remodeled 1996 Grumman step van.

To Dickey, this is just another evolution to the store.

"We've been a business long enough that people are finding us," she said. "I think it'll work really well. We're alive and well and we'll be here for a while. We're not going anywhere."

She noted that boutique and retail businesses downtown are down to small numbers and, "as it shrinks, it gets worse, because it's not a destination to shop anymore," she said.

"More and more, Main Street is becoming a food court," she added. "That's what works on this street. Hopefully it'll come around again."

And it may be – in March, Hayden Boutique opened its doors just off Main Street at 9 Chapel Street.

"I saw a need," said owner Haley Whyne, a 2017 University of Delaware graduate. "The other boutiques didn't have affordable clothing. I wanted to make something super affordable. My boutique has items between \$5 and \$60 dollars. Everyone can shop here."

Whyne's store is geared toward the university population. After opening in March, Hayden Boutique's storefront closed over the



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY BROOKE SCHULTZ
Haley Whyne shows some items in Hayden Boutique. Whyne, 22, selects the items she sells in her boutique individually.

summer while Whyne continued selling merchandise online and brainstorming for the busy season.

Since the students' return at the end of August, Whyne said that the response has been huge.

"It is a really great moment, a proud moment for me, especially because it's my alma mater," she said. "I'm giving back; this is something they've never seen, locally."

Whyne, who majored in finance, said owning a boutique has always been a dream of hers.

"Everyone has always said that I had the best closet of anyone they have ever known," she said.

The concerns that retail might not be thriving on Main Street wasn't a particularly pressing concern for Whyne.

"We have a rotating door – tons of girls," she said, noting that many of the girls who have stopped by knew about the store through Instagram. "I saw and analyzed trends here. There's a strong connection between everyone in the town and my boutique. I handpick every item in the boutique and work closely with customers to curate the best selection."

Although the store has only been open for three months, Whyne has big goals ahead of herself for the next year: she said she definitely wants to see a second location, likely in her home state of Pennsylvania, as well as a stronger online presence and growing

to other colleges through a pop-up boutique.

Megan McGuriman, Downtown Newark Partnership administrator, said that the trend Dickey noted is something seen nationally, where shopping has become less of an experience and can be done online.

"You may buy your new outfit online, but you don't want to cook that night, so you go to a restaurant," she explained.

That said, she called the long-time businesses, like Grassroots, the "heart of Newark."

"It's important we support them and keep them in business," she said. "And it's important to foster new business."

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Alleged burglar ID'd after leaving fingerprints on tequila bottle

By JOSH SHANNON

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Fingerprints left on a bottle of Patrón tequila helped detectives track down an alleged burglar three months after a break-in at a Newark liquor store.

The burglary happened around 6 a.m. May 26 at Dash Discount Liquors, located at 1142 Elkton Road, next to Dunkin' Donuts.

Surveillance footage showed three people ar-

iving in a car. With a bandanna covering his face, one of the men got out, smashed the window of the store with a rock and climbed inside through the window, Newark Police Department detective Cpl. William Anderson wrote in charging documents.



MILLS

The burglar then filled a garbage bag full of alcohol and cigarettes. He also grabbed approximately \$400 out of the cash register, Anderson wrote.

The burglar attempted to flee through a side door but struggled to carry his bag of loot. An accomplice entered the store to help.

"[They] try to life the bag together, but the weight of the items is too heavy, causing the bag to tear and everything to fall on the floor,"

Anderson wrote.

The burglars grabbed as much as they could, threw it in the back seat of the car and drove away.

The store's alarm alerted police, but by the time officers arrived, the burglars were gone.

Officers catalogued the merchandise that had spilled out of the bag – 17 bottles of CÎROC vodka, seven bottles of Patrón tequila and 27 packs of cigarettes, all worth a total of \$736.92 – and

gleaned several fingerprints from the items.

In July, detectives were notified that one of the fingerprints matched an offender in a law enforcement database, identified as Larry A. Mills, 44, of Wilmington. Photos in the database showed Mills has "M.O.B." tattooed on his left arm, matching a tattoo seen on the first man in the surveillance footage, Anderson wrote.

Mills – who, according to court documents, is known

by a dozen aliases, including "Scarface" – was arrested Aug. 23 and charged with third-degree burglary, second-degree conspiracy, theft, attempted theft, criminal mischief and wearing a disguise during the commission of a felony. He was committed to the Howard R. Young Correctional Institution in lieu of \$10,750 secured bond.

Detectives are still trying to identify the two accomplices, spokesman Sgt. Gerald Bryda said.

Police searching for man seen masturbating along Newark trail

By BROOKE SCHULTZ

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Authorities are looking for a man who was seen committing a lewd act near the James F. Hall Trail, a running and biking path that parallels the Amtrak line and connects several Newark parks.

On Tuesday around 8:30 a.m., a

34-year-old woman was riding her bike on the trail between Academy and Manual streets and reported that she saw a man in the tree line who appeared to be masturbating, said Sgt. Gerald Bryda, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department.

"The victim continued on her way and reported the incident after she returned home," Bryda said. "Offi-

cers checked the area on foot and were unable to locate the described suspect."

The suspect is described as a white man between 35 and 50 years old, between 5 feet, 7 inches and 5 feet, 8 inches tall, with a heavy built, dark hair and facial hair. He was wearing light-colored pants and a light-colored shirt and pos-

sibly a hat and glasses.

Bryda said anyone with information about the incident should contact the Newark Police Department at 302-366-7111 or Master Cpl. Jay Conover at (302) 366-7100 ext. 3443 or jconover@newark.de.us.

In June, a man with a history of arrests for lewdness in public parks was arrested following three sepa-

rate incidents at the James F. Hall Trail.

In each incident, Jeffrey M. Yatkowski, 37, was naked and masturbating while sitting on a chair in a grove of trees along an area of the trail near Academy Street, according to court documents. In one incident, he was later seen fleeing by bicycle onto Academy Street.

Man beaten in downtown Newark

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A man was attacked and beaten in a Newark parking lot over the weekend, police said.

On Sunday, just before 1 a.m., an intoxicated 31-year-old man with a cut over his eye blocked traffic outside of The Galleria at 45 E. Main Street.

Sgt. Gerald Bryda, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department, said the man told officers who were on patrol in the area that he was attacked by several people.

Surveillance footage shows the man walking down Main Street before turning into the city's Lot 2, a monthly permit lot behind businesses like Newark Deli & Bagels, 7-Eleven and Qdoba. Several people followed him into the lot.

"The first suspect walks up and strikes the victim in the back of the head, knocking him to the ground," Bryda said. "A second suspect then is seen punching and kicking the victim. During the assault there are several other males

and females with the two suspects."

The victim was taken to Christiana Hospital for treatment.

Bryda said the first suspect is described as a black man wearing a yellow shirt and blue jeans. The second suspect is described as a black man wearing a black shirt and dark pants.

Anyone with additional information or the identities of the two suspects is asked to call Cpl. Kenneth Odom at 302-366-7100 ext. 3472 or kodom@newark.de.us.



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Surveillance footage shows the two suspects wanted for assaulting a man in a Newark parking lot.

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Driver's education teachers learn signs of drug impairment

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Delaware can add another first to its list – last month, police officers trained as Drug Recognition Experts launched a new program to teach educators how to recognize students under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

DREs are police officers who have received advanced training to recognize drug-impaired drivers. Lt. Andrew Rubin of the Newark Police Department, who also serves as the state coordinator for

the Drug Recognition Program, said DRE training usually takes 72 hours of class time over the course of nine days, followed by 12 field certifications and then a five-part examination that takes six to eight hours to complete and requires a perfect score to become certified.



LT. RUBIN

DREs can be called to the scene if an officer makes a traffic stop and suspects impaired driving but does not smell alcohol or turns up a clear breathalyzer test. A DRE will come to the scene and evaluate the driver and can identify

what type of drug is causing the impairment. DREs can also testify in court as an expert witness.

Delaware currently has 31 certified DREs, with four in the NPD.

Sixteen driver's education teachers were able to learn from the certified instructors – Rubin and Cpl. Roy Bryant of the Delaware State Police – through a three day, 16-hour course, which was facilitated by the Delaware Department of Education through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

"It is basically going over the different types of drugs, common drugs, that are used recreational-

ly, that cause impairment," Rubin said. "We gave them some tools to understand and recognize maybe there's something going on with this kid."

The class taught teachers signs and symptoms to recognize drug use, such as looking at the pupil size (cocaine and Aderrall cause dilated pupils, whereas heroin or oxycodone cause constricted pupils), tremors in the eyelids or parts of the body, redness around the nose and how people walk and talk.

"Drug-impaired driving is a problem in this country," Rubin said. "[This class] helps by showing the teachers and the

educational professionals what these different types of drugs are, how they're abused and the impairment. I think it will really help us in the long run to help educate the the students why using drugs and driving is a bad idea."

Michael Wagner, education associate for the student support team at the Delaware Department of Education, said that a presentation on this topic was popular last year during a professional development program.

"Instructors wanted more training to improve their content knowledge and wanted to make sure they have the most up-to-

date information on this topic," Wagner said.

He said the course evaluations were "awesome" which shows the information was highly valued.

The No. 1 drug statewide involved in drug-impaired driving is marijuana, by a large margin, Rubin said. That's followed by heroin and Xanax.

"What we're trying to do is educate the teachers to help educate the students to prevent it to begin with," he said.

Rubin said that he would like to see the program expand to include school nurses and other administrators, as this iteration was well-received.

UD's new pedestrian safety course won't involve Newark Police

By **BROOKE SCHULTZ**
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The University of Delaware's new plan to tackle pedestrian safety and jaywalking does not currently involve the Newark Police Department, authorities said.

"We are not involved; we have not been contacted by the university for involvement at this point," said Sgt. Gerald Bryda, a spokesman for the NPD.

The university announced last month that the university's police department would collabo-

rate with the Office of Student Conduct by requiring students caught jaywalking to attend a one-hour educational seminar to learn about how to keep themselves safe on campus roadways.

The new policy, which will begin on Oct. 1, seeks to educate without legal and financial ramifications.

Typically those caught jaywalking receive a traffic violation and a monetary fine through the court system. That penalty will still apply for citations issued by Newark Police.

"We always work well with the university police; we just haven't heard anything from them," Bryda added.

Andrea Boyle Tippet, a spokesperson for the university, said that the university police and Office of Student Conduct will not pursue conduct charges for students cited by NPD.

"Unless Newark PD specifically requests UDPD's assistance at the time of the incident," she said.

Bryda said NPD has the ability to refer students to the university

for issues of conduct but typically "don't make it a cause of our business to refer people," he said.

"We don't know who is a student and who isn't," Bryda said. "If an officer walks up to someone in a normal course of business, especially with pedestrians, they don't ask where they work, if they're in school. That's why we don't refer them immediately to university."

In September and October, NPD practices its own version of pedestrian education. The department partners with the Office of Highway Safety, who supplies

funds for the officers to go out on extra patrols to focus on heavy pedestrian crossing areas.

"We hand out informational pamphlets about pedestrian safety and proper use of crosswalks," Bryda said.

The pamphlets are given in lieu of tickets during that time. In that timespan last year, the department handed out 704 pamphlets warning pedestrians of the dangers of jaywalking. The department has issued 76 pedestrian summonses since Jan. 1, 2017 to date, authorities said.

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in all the district schools regarding school climate and school safety. All areas are safe by design or by staff supervision," he said.

With the new year comes the plan to roll out ALICE (alert, lockdown, inform, counter, evacuate) training, as George Wicks, planning and facilities services supervisor and certified instructor for ALICE, joined the district in January.

Currently, the district practices "run, hide, fight," which Wicks explained as a "less defined" version of ALICE.

The ALICE program was developed by a law enforcement officer who recognized how the inadequate response to the Columbine High School shooting in 1999 likely led to more deaths.

It is a proactive approach that hinges on "survivor skills," and the main one is flight. The program emphasizes that people should flee to safety through doors or windows during such a crisis if they are able.

If confronted by an attacker, movement is a key element of ALICE because



FILE PHOTO

Attendees throw objects at a "gunman" as part of a mock active-shooter scenario during an ALICE training session in Cecil County, Md., two years ago. The ALICE program is coming to Christina School District schools this year.

moving targets are more difficult to shoot. History indicates that most gunmen in mass shootings were not trained marksmen.

To gain a further advantage, the ALICE strategy also directs potential victims to throw everyday objects at the gunman to distract him or her long enough to make a safe escape or, if enough people can move as a single unit, to "swarm" and disarm the armed intruder.

Sgt. Gerald Bryda, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department, said trained ALICE instructor Cpl. Brandon Walker plans to work with the six schools in Newark to provide instruction to the staff by the

end of this calendar year.

"Any kind of active shooter response has to be a really close partnership with the local police departments because one of the things you're looking for is a very well-defined communication system with them and also you're talking about a very short response time if you had an active shooter," Wicks said.

ALICE is part of a larger system of school security in the district, which Mayfield explained as having multiple "layers and levels."

"The first layer or level of security that you may see is what's called School Resource Officers," he said. "The district currently uses

three police departments, which is Delaware State Police, the Newark Police and Wilmington Police and they're at each of our secondary schools and they assist in support [for] the rest of the school district."

Newark Police Officer Cpl. Darryl Saunders is stationed in Newark High School as a SRO. Currently, Bryda said Saunders is not trained in ALICE, but will likely be certified by the end of the year.

"Basically, training is complementing and teaching the schools what we're trained to do all the time," Bryda said. "It's training the staff on what to do. Now the school knows what [Saunders'] and the rest of our reaction would be should something happen."

Just 15 minutes away from Newark, in Cecil County, Md., the sheriff's office began ALICE training with the public school staff in May 2016 through three pilot classes for the elementary, middle and high schools, said Cpl. Mike Kalinsky.

"ALICE is the only hands-on civilian focused class out there on armed intruder response. Other methodologies being used do not go as far as ALICE does to reinforce utilizing common sense and situational awareness to save lives. Over 17 years in use at over 22,000

institutions nationally with zero fatalities in ALICE certified facilities," he explained. "I am married to an educator, a second grade teacher. She did not swear an oath like I did that says she has to die in the line of duty. She wants to teach. ALICE gives people the ability to make decisions by empowering them."

Wicks echoed Kalinsky's sentiments regarding why ALICE is important for the district to add to its list of safety procedures.

"People have to be able to react; [they] have to have some kind of muscle memory that they develop through training, repetitive training," he said. "So that if the worst should happen, they can respond without panic setting in, or they know what to do quickly because time is of the essence."

While ALICE has not been introduced to the school district yet, Wicks and Mayfield explained the different layers the district utilizes in an effort to empower staff and students if a crisis arises.

The district has a program called ERIP – emergency response information portal – an online program that streamlines emergency plans, drills, online training and tactical site mapping information. They also use Ident-a-Kid, a child identi-

fication program, and Rave 911 and Smart911, two systems to streamline communication to first responders.

Per state law, the district practices two lockdown intruder drills and one tabletop exercise to prepare for crises each year.

Mayfield also emphasized situational awareness and teaching individuals to be cognizant of their space and if "you see something, say something, or if you see it, hear it, you report it," he said.

Last winter, the district completed a security audit.

"Basically, we wanted our facilities managers to look at some key things in our schools," he said.

For instance, they checked to make sure all classroom doors lock on the hallway side, so staff and students could barricade in place. They also began installing a card reader system to facilities that did not have them.

"It's important for people to know we do have a very well defined, systematic approach to school safety," Wicks said. "We are continually looking at ways to refine the process. I think it's always going to be something that we're [asking], 'How do we improve?'"

Jacob Owens contributed to this article.

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Unique Impressions celebrates 30 years of business

By **BROOKE SCHULTZ**
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Through challenges and successes, Donna O'Dell Hoke said that she still enjoys what she does at Unique Impressions.

"There is never a dull moment," she said in her office in the Main Street store on Wednesday. "There's always a different kind of order coming in, there's a challenge, there's somebody who wants glow-in-the-dark ink, something that we're not used to doing. The students keep us on our toes because there's always a new fashion trend that comes and goes in the blink of an eye, so we always try to stay on top of that."

Unique Impressions, which offers screen printing, embroidery and other custom-printing services, turns 30 this year. And those 30 years have been filled to the brim.

The storefront began when Hoke was a student at Penn State, working at a store for sororities and fraternities.

"I guess I had just the over-arching realization that my friends at the University of Delaware had to drive for hours and hours to get the things we could get around the corner," she said.

She graduated in the spring of 1988. The following September, Unique Impressions was open for business.

"I didn't know any different," she said. "It was a lot of work – way more work than I ever realized it would be. At that point in time, I think I was working maybe 70 or 80 hours a week, kind of doing everything. Helping customers by day, and then producing the products by night."

As it has navigated the changing tides of students and working with corporate entities, Unique Impressions has had its successes: in 2011, Hoke was awarded the Entrepreneurial Woman of the Year award from the New Castle County Chamber of Commerce; in 2013, the business was recognized with the Superstars in Business award from the Delaware State Chamber of Commerce; and this week, she received a proclamation from Mayor Polly Sierer to recognize the business' 30th anniversary.

With its many highlights, the business has faced its difficulties, too.

Hoke said that once, the business had a fire in the middle of a 6,000 shirt order, in addition to the other orders they had in house.

"After we got off the phone with the insurance company, after the fire company left, after they turned the electric back on, we mobilized and found people to finish printing for us," she said. "The customers didn't know that we were scurrying around behind the scenes getting it done, but every order that we had in house, during that period of time, we managed to make sure it got done on time. That was huge. That probably sprouted 20 gray hairs and took five years off my life."

The business, currently located at 61 E. Main Street, moved from its former location on North College Avenue three years ago because their building was being demolished – something they had not really planned on, Hoke said.

And then, about 10 years ago, Hoke was dealt a personal blow when her brother died from cancer in his early 30s. He was running the screen-printing portion of the business at the time, she said.

"That was another pretty big hurdle to deal with," she said. "We've been through a lot, but 30 years is a long time. Although it goes fast; it

doesn't feel like 30 years."

With those hurdles, Hoke said that there are continual highlights – like being able to fill a need.

"Because everyone's innate need is to be able to help other people," she said. "So, I think that's part of our framework. We're here to try to help people wherever possible."

In helping people and organizations with their projects, it is not just the items that are personalized – it's the connection to the consumers, too.

"We spend a lot of time explaining things to customers, in many cases, probably too much, but we want them to understand what they're getting," she said. "It's extremely personalized. I think you end up with a better end product and you end up with happier customers."

The staff at Unique Impressions is a big part of that, Hoke said.

"My staff is amazing," she continued. "We're all human, we're not perfect, but their hearts are huge, their intent is to make our customers happy; they enjoy helping people as much as I do."

Over the three decades in business, Unique Impres-



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY BROOKE SCHULTZ

Donna O'Dell Hoke opened Unique Impressions 30 years ago. The business offers screen printing, embroidery and other custom-printing services.

sions has employed numerous UD students, and Hoke said she's seen the children of employees matriculate through and graduate. And she's glad to see the business has made an impression.

Hoke noted that she has heard from people who shopped in the store in the past, or who used to work there.

"Some of their favorite memories stem from be-

ing in this store, working in this store, doing business in this store – because we sell the marks for the organizations that mean so much for them," she said. "We enjoy being part of the college experience. Yes, we have corporate clients and we love our corporate clients, but there's something special about being in a college town and being part of everyone's college experience in some way."

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Newark curling league provides relief from summer heat

By JON BUZBY

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One way to beat the torrid summer heat is to spend time inside a local ice arena. That's what 24 people did for six weeks in late July and most of August as part of the Diamond State Curling Club Late Summer Instructional League.

The players came out to the Patriot Ice Center in Newark for two hours on Thursday evenings to compete in a six-week "rotisserie" curling league. In this format, which was the brainchild of the Delaware Curling Club, the teams are shuffled during the first five weeks so that there is a different combination of each of the four positions – Skip, Vice, Second and Lead – on each of the six teams.

The ranking points earned by each team during the five weeks (five for a win, three for a tie, one for a loss) are accrued by the player on each team, rather than by the teams themselves.

In the sixth and final week, the Skip, Vice, 2nd and Lead who earned the most ranking points in their pool are put together to form the Dream Team. The four players who came in second in their positions makeup the Wannabees. The two teams then meet on the final night for the league championship.

"For a fledgling club like ours, this is a great way to give new curlers a fun, low-pressure opportunity to meet and play with all the other league members," club president Frank Sharp said. "And it still provides a League Championship path for the players whose accrued ranking points suggest they've put in the best performances throughout the season."

The underdog Wannabees (Alissa Infante, Dave Yeager, John Work and Wenting Shi) defeated the Dream Team (Phil Anderson, Dave Quick, Sandi Lakey and Alan Wong) in a tightly contested game.

"Our new players really seem

to enjoy mixing up the teams each week and getting a full season of in-game skills coaching before moving on to our actual competitive leagues," Sharp explained.

Founded in 2016, Diamond State Curling Club is Delaware's only curling club, dedicated to promoting the sport of curling through youth and adult curling education and instructional programs. Since the club's inception, 95 teams have competed in 14 leagues on a weekly or bi-weekly basis, and hundreds of people have participated in Introduction to Curling events.

"If you're new to curling, it's interesting to watch, but you can't truly appreciate curling until you actually try it," Work said.

The next opportunity to be part of a curling league is in October. There are also Intro to Curling classes on Oct. 27, Nov. 17 and Dec. 1. For more information visit DiamondStateCurling.org.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Wenting Shi made the winning shot as the Wannabees defeated the Dream Team in the Delaware Curling Club Late Summer Instructional League championship game on Aug. 23 at the Patriot Ice Center.

It's game week for the Yellowjackets

Buzz from
the Hive



An insider's look at Yellowjacket football

By JON BUZBY

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It was a laborious Monday for the Yellowjackets as they spent the day off from school at practice and were introduced to the Week 1 game plan while "getting their bodies moving again after a few days of light practice and being off over the weekend," according to head coach Barry Zehnder.

Newark will had normal practices on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons and then on Thursday, the players had a "review practice" in the afternoon and run through the entire game plan including special team situations.

Today is game day when

the Yellowjackets open up the 2018 season at home against St. Mark's.

"Hoffman Stadium is always a great place to play a Friday night football game," Zehnder said. "Playing in our stadium to open the season is always an added bonus. Obviously, the issues with the lights in the offseason had us concerned, but our school administration and district level administration recognized how important it is and stayed committed to making sure we played on Friday nights this fall."

Zehnder pointed out his appreciation of the support from several district and building staff including superintendent Richard Gregg and staff members Ed Mayfield, George Wicks, Bob Starkey and Richard Greg; Newark principal Aaron Selekman and assistants Kristin DeGregory and Rebecca Reggio; and chief custodian Rod Harden.

Game Day routine

On game day, the team goes through a 20-minute walkthrough followed by the traditional pregame dinner. The players then have some time to themselves before returning to suit up before the game.

"The kids are pretty used to the routine now," Zehnder said. "The seniors have been with this coaching staff now for three years so they are accustomed to the game week process."

Starting quarterback

The starting quarterback will be junior Mele Stallings, who started several games last season despite missing most of his freshman year due to injury.

"Like any young player, especially at that position, he did some really good things last year and has some things he could improve on," Zehnder pointed out. "I think he will improve in those areas this year because it's

not new to him anymore. He now knows how to prepare throughout the week, what to expect when the lights come on, and what it takes to stand in the huddle and the pocket and be a leader."

Team captains

Zehnder said that the team has not selected captains yet but will do so this week. It sounds like it might be a difficult decision.

"We have had a great summer in regards to leadership," Zehnder said. "This group has really bought into everyone playing a part in leadership. We as coaches have really wanted to play off that and allow them to continue developing that team-centered leadership. We will allow the kids to vote this week on captains and the coaches will also vote. Typically it's the same names who are identified by players and coaches, so that makes it easy."

Zehnder said that the team

plans to continue the tradition of selecting a weekly honorary captain who will walk out with the team captains for the coin toss and then watch the game from the sideline. The Week 1 honorary captain has not been announced.

Seniors saying 'Thanks'

The senior players will continue the tradition started by Zehnder of writing a "thank you" letter to a teacher or staff member who positively influenced them during their years at Newark High. The chosen person will wear the player's jersey in school on game day and then get to hear their letter read over the public address system during the game. A different group of seniors is chosen each week until all have participated.

Positive vibes

"This has been a great team to be around," Zehnder

said. "They want to be coached, they want to succeed and they have a team-oriented focus. Every coach wishes they had more time or had covered something they haven't gotten to yet, but our staff committed to focusing on the basics and building from there. The kids have responded, and I think we are in a really good place. We still have work to get done this week but so does everybody else."

Kickoff against St. Mark's is tonight at 7 at Hoffman Stadium.

The Buzz from the Hive will be posted online each Monday morning during the high school football season and also in Friday's print edition. It will include some game analysis and exclusive quotes from Newark High football coach Barry Zehnder and select members of the team after they've had a chance to watch game film, evaluate their performance, and begin preparation for the next game.

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Editor's note: Volunteers at the Pencader Heritage Museum have been digitizing old Newark City Council meeting minutes. They share excerpts with Newark Post readers in a weekly column.

April-May 1945: Herbert Murphy was awarded \$100 in appreciation of his service on the ambulance. Rodger

Lovett was awarded a contract to provide and install new linoleum in town hall. Council would have the floor repaired and sanded prior to installation.

Dallam Road and part of Delaware Avenue were to have storm sewers installed. Race, Benny and Manuel streets and Wyoming,

Townsend and Ashley roads all needed repairs.

Curtis Paper was asked to give ground for pavement along its property. The Dennison, Fader and Peacock properties were unsightly with junk. Lewis Fisher had been using unmetered electricity and now that he had a meter, past usage was to be charged

based on current usage.

The Honor Board listing names of military service members from Newark needed to be repainted before Decoration (Memorial) Day, and a gold star would be placed beside names of those killed in action. The board was in front of the Academy Building on Main Street.

Council offered William Barnard \$200 an acre for additional property for a disposal plant, located where Porter Chevrolet is now. After the 1945 election, council was composed of Messrs. Hubert, Hopkins, Wright, Wollaston, Battersby and Ramsey. Residents of the Lumbrook area complained

of rusty water. Harry Cleaves said capitation tax was unfair because so few paid and he wasn't going to.

George Martin gave up on 46 E. Main and wanted to use 173 E. Main for his auto service shop. Council agreed to gas pumps as long as he built a wall between the pumps and pavement.



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HOMES

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The project is slated for a 13.9-acre parcel on the west side of Paper Mill Road, across from the Wyncliff and Pine Meadow neighborhoods. The land backs up to White Clay Creek and state parkland.

Under the plan, the 18 homes would be built on the front portion of the property, and the rear 6.2 acres of land would be donated to the state to become part of White Clay Creek State Park.

The land is owned by descendants of the Handloffs, the prominent family that owned Newark Department Store and built Newark Shopping Center. In the 1950s, the family built two homes on a small portion of the property, but has since sold them. Those houses would not be affected by the proposal, and the homeowners also intend to seek annexation in order to connect to the city's water and sewer systems.

"Having grown up on this property, it concerns me to see it remain vacant when I know there are others who could enjoy it," said Rita Simon, one of the Handloff descendants who own the land. "I envision a mini community of high-quality, small homes close to University of Delaware where people can have access to continuing education hopefully

with the benefit of services that the city of Newark can provide."

Wendie Stabler, an attorney for the project, pointed out that the area is included in Newark's comprehensive plan as a place for future development.

"Not only is this a benefit for the family, we believe it's a very suitable annexation for the city of Newark," Stabler said.

She said that while the 3,000-square-foot homes will not be restricted to those 55 and older, she expects them to appeal to empty-nesters looking to downsize or "very small families."

However her and Simons' descriptions of the homes as "small" raised eyebrows among some members of the planning commission and the public. The median new home size in the United States is approximately 2,400 square feet, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

"It's a niche market," Planning Commission Chairman Jeremy Firestone said. "You made this claim there's a big market and you're going to fill this need Newark has but I'm not clear Newark has a lot of demand for downsizing from 6,000 square feet to 3,000 square feet."

Peter Saenger, a neighbor of the property, expressed concern about the effects of cutting down trees to accommodate the project, saying it "will have a very negative impact on the watershed, the environment and the city of Newark's green reputation."



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An artist's rendering shows one of the homes proposed for a vacant lot on Paper Mill Road.

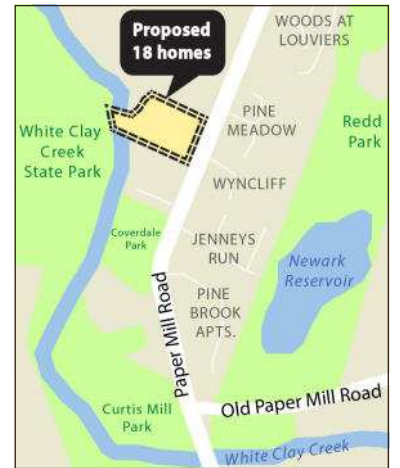
Mary Matsumoto, who lives across the street in Pine Meadow, also had concerns about the loss of the trees and the impact on traffic, noting that it is already difficult to exit her neighborhood.

"I'm not sure I see much of a benefit to the city of Newark and the surrounding neighborhoods," Matsumoto said.

However, James Tunis, who

lives in one of the original Handloff homes, praised the project. He said the developers "have addressed all my issues as well as my neighbors' and have been very good about being very flexible and I appreciate what they're doing."

The planning commission voted 5-1 to recommend council approve the plan. Firestone was the lone opposing vote, and Stacy



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McNatt was absent.

Firestone, too, was concerned with the loss of trees.

"It takes away a lot of trees. They are performing valuable carbon sequestration," he said. "I don't see it as much of a benefit to the city."

Commissioner Will Hurd, however, said the project fits well in the area.

"I see houses that are smaller than the houses across the street. I see less lawn than the houses across the street," Hurd said. "I see responsible, compact, dense development, which is what we need to be doing more of. We want to get more people living in the city but we can't really put them on acre lots because the environmental cost of acre lots is huge."

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economic engine, really the economic fuel, for both our city, our state and our region,” Lucier explained. “With our additional students, we have additional students that will help be part of our university community, that will enrich our university community, enrich the Newark community. It will help be able to increase the number of faculty that we bring here, the faculty that will do world class research, spin off new companies.”

Last year saw the university’s largest class ever, with 4,300 students entering the university. This year, the incoming class is nearly steady, with more than 4,100 students.

The growth will happen over five to six years, which Lucier said is to ensure the university will have proper residential hall capacity, as well as the proper space in classrooms and laboratories and the staff to educate them. By the end of the cycle, the overall enrollment of undergraduates will reach about 18,200 – up from 17,700 in the fall of 2016.

“This is occurring over a five-year period so that we’re ensuring that we’re putting the resources in place here at the university to ensure that the students have an outstanding experience...but also to ensure that we work with the city and the rest of our community in the broader Delaware community to ensure we’re ready to greet the students and support the students,” he said.

UD also plans to double the graduate student population – currently around 4,000 – over the next decade. The university also intends to increase its faculty by 500-600 over the next five to seven years, which would increase its numbers to over 1,500.

With that comes the question of where to put the additional students. The current number of on-campus beds for students is 7,756, said Peter Krawchyk, vice president of facilities, real estate and auxiliary services. Approximately 1,000 more beds are projected for 2022, when the university should have completed its enrollment expansion.

The university has plans to build a new \$80 million, 600-bed dormitory – South College Residence Hall – near the Morris Library,

but due to construction projects along the South Green, the project has been delayed two to three years, Krawchyk said.

Because that residence hall isn’t scheduled to open until 2023 or 2024, the demolition of the Christiana Towers has also been postponed until “approximately six to nine months after the opening of South College Residence Hall,” he said, placing that project in 2023/2024.

UD to take over University Courtyard Apartments

UD is also planning to acquire the University Courtyard Apartments, a private student apartment complex off South Chapel Street, and convert it to dormitories.

The University Courtyard Apartments and South College Residence Hall are intended to replace the 17-story Towers, and the acquisition of the Courtyard Apartments is intended to also absorb the 68 beds that will go offline once Warner Hall, a 104-year-old women’s dorm, is remodeled to become a new counseling and wellness services center. Construction for that project is planned to begin in July 2019 and set to conclude in July 2020.

“Our goal is not to displace any students, as we will offer all of the existing renters the opportunity to remain in the University Courtyard Apartments,” Krawchyk said. “The current property manager estimates that over 150 occupants of the Courtyard Apartments are graduating seniors who will leave the apartments at the end of their contract.”

Caitlin Olsen, assistant director of government relations at the university, said the university plans to take the Courtyards in the summer of 2019 and start leasing that fall.

When building the project in 1999, the developer used bond funding from a nonprofit with the stipulation that the complex would be deeded to the university in 30 years after the bonds are paid off.

However, Krawchyk said the university had the option of acquiring the property early.

“Now is the right time to exercise that option. Due to the number of beds in Christiana Towers – approximately 1,250 – it is cost-prohibitive for the university to replace those beds with new construc-

tion,” he said. “Acquiring two-thirds of the total via University Courtyard Apartments allows the university to provide modern housing accommodations immediately while maintaining our goal of keeping the total cost of attendance affordable for our students.”

A loss of off-campus beds

While acquiring the Courtyards will allow UD to meet its need for on-campus beds, it will take 880 beds off the private market, likely leading to more demand for developers to build additional apartment complexes in Newark.

“If you’re privatizing it, taking that 880 beds and putting students in, there’s an assumption that some of the students there might stay and some of the students might leave, and where else would they go?” Newark Planning Director Mary Ellen Gray said. “It’s in a larger context of growth and how to accommodate that.”

To address community and city council concerns about student rental housing, Gray is proposing a planning commission subcommittee to examine the issue, similar to a group that studied parking earlier this year.

The subcommittee, brought forth at the July 23 council meeting, stemmed

from the Rental Housing Needs Assessment commissioned by the council to evaluate the need for student rental housing.

The study found that the city needs to add 50 apartment units each year to keep up with demand. However, the study was conducted before UD announced plans to expand the student body.

“Certainly the math would indicate, if the University of Delaware is not building any more student housing, rentals would be needed in the private market,” Gray said.

The council asked that Gray bring back a tighter framework for the proposed subcommittee. Gray said she expects for it to appear on the “next feasible agenda.”

City to lose tax revenue from Courtyard

UD’s looming acquisition of the Courtyard Apartments rankled some city officials, who also lament the loss of the tax revenue currently paid by University Courtyard. Once the complex becomes UD property, it will be tax-exempt.

Councilman Jerry Clifton expressed frustration that UD is taking over the property approximately 10 years earlier than anticipated.

“That is something that is near and dear to me be-

cause I was there when that was approved and I supported that idea and concept,” he said. “What’s disconcerting about this in my mind is that they want to take it off the tax rolls next year and, just over the 10 year period by itself, that means a loss of about \$770,000 over the 10 year period. \$77,000 a year.”

Krawchyk, however, defended the university.

“In order to complete the picture, it should be noted that the university, at other locations, is adding to Newark’s tax base,” he said. “Much of the development that is occurring on the STAR campus is subject to the property tax. So, for example, not only does Newark get a prestigious employer like Chemours, that particular portion of the STAR campus goes back onto the tax rolls.”

However, the university’s ability to take the Courtyards property from the tax rolls is unclear. Although construction of University Courtyard was approved in June 1999, the subdivision agreement was later amended in August of that year because council members were unaware of the university’s future involvement at that time.

According to that amendment, the property was to remain under the regulations of the city’s zoning code, and the developer and its successors, heirs

and assigns were to pay all “then-current City property taxes assessed to the Site.”

Despite the disagreement regarding this particular property, councilman Chris Hamilton thinks that the university is doing a better job in communicating with the city. He cited a presentation the university gave council about its intended growth earlier this year, which he said was something UD had never quite done before.

“That’s a huge population growth in a city of 32,000,” he said. “It gives us the ability to at least prepare anything, then our neighborhoods get overrun and we end up reacting instead of being proactive.”

City spokeswoman Kelly Bachman declined to comment.

“The city is studying this situation closely and is not in a position to speak publicly on the matter at this time,” she said.

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 son(s), or property, or both.
 Jeffrey Arthur Walter
 9/4/18
 np 9/7 2805333

SHERIFF'S SALE REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC SALE AT THE CITY/COUNTY BUILDING, 800 N.FRENCH STREET, WILMINGTON, DE 19801

WILL BE HELD TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 11, 2018 AT 10:00 AM. *CASH DEPOSITS ARE NO LONGER ACCEPTED***
 IN ORDER TO PURCHASE A SHERIFF SALE PROPERTY, ALL BIDDERS MUST REGISTER WITH THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE
 AT 9AM ON THE DAY OF SALE*** YOU MUST HAVE A VALID STATE ISSUED ID, A \$5,000 CASHIER CHECK
 PAYABLE TO SHERIFF OF NCC AND A PERSONAL CHECKBOOK (NO STARTER CHECKS)
 TO PAY THE BALANCE OF SALE DEPOSIT*****

*****TERMS OF SALE - MORTGAGE FORECLOSURES: 10% DOWN AT TIME OF SALE,
 BALANCE DUE ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 15, 2018.**

TAX SALES: FULL PURCHASE PRICE DUE AT TIME OF SALE. PROPERTY MARKED WITH AN ASTERISK ("")
 REQUIRES BIDDER PREQUALIFICATION AND IS SUBJECT TO PLAINTIFF'S APPROVAL. FOR MORE INFORMATION ON
 PARTICULAR PROPERTIES: www.nccde.org/sheriff and www.nccde.org/parcelview**

For property title information, see the Recorder of Deeds website at www.nccde.org/deeds

SAMUEL D. PRATCHER, JR., SHERIFF www.nccde.org/sheriff

ADDRESS: 155 CYPRESS
 DRIVE NEWARK 19713
PARCEL: 0902840124
SHERIFF #18-006032

ADDRESS: 19 DAWES DRIVE
 NEWARK 19702
PARCEL: 0903420078
SHERIFF #18-006035

ADDRESS: 447 HAYSTACK
 DRIVE NEWARK 19711
PARCEL: 0803610244
SHERIFF #18-006047

ADDRESS: 117 WILLIAMETTE
 DRIVE BEAR 19701
PARCEL: 1103430050
SHERIFF #18-006049

ADDRESS: 108 STANTON
 ROAD WILMINGTON 19804
PARCEL: 0805110108
SHERIFF #18-006115

ADDRESS: 16 AUCLAND
 DRIVE NEWARK 19702
PARCEL: 1004310633
SHERIFF #18-006117

ADDRESS: 110 STANTON
 ROAD WILMINGTON 19804
PARCEL: 0805110109
SHERIFF #18-006120

ADDRESS: 3801 GOLF VIEW
 DRIVE NEWARK 19702
PARCEL: 09024000015C3876
SHERIFF #18-006121

ADDRESS: *131 SALEM
 CHURCH ROAD
 NEWARK 19713
PARCEL: 0902800028
SHERIFF #18-006128

ADDRESS: *32 CURLEW
 CIRCLE NEWARK 19702
PARCEL: 1004310082
SHERIFF #18-006132

ADDRESS: 1308 BRAKEN
 AVENUE WILMINGTON 19808
PARCEL: 0803000065C0091
SHERIFF #18-006206

ADDRESS: 1155 LA GRANGE
 PARKWAY NEWARK 19702
PARCEL: 1102610137
SHERIFF #18-006242

ADDRESS: 1207
 YELLOWSTONE DRIVE
 NEWARK 19713
PARCEL: 0902330142
SHERIFF #18-006244

ADDRESS: 56 CURRANT
 DRIVE NEWARK 19702
PARCEL: 0903830179
SHERIFF #18-006393

ADDRESS: 608 SHUE DRIVE
 NEWARK 19713
PARCEL: 0902230108
SHERIFF #18-006410

ADDRESS: 4103 GOLFVIEW
 DRIVE NEWARK 19702
PARCEL: 0902400015C4187
SHERIFF #18-006638

ADDRESS: 137 UPPER
 VALLEY LANE NEWARK 19711
PARCEL: 0805510235
SHERIFF #18-006707

ADDRESS: 37 DANBURY
 DRIVE NEWARK 19702
PARCEL: 1003830130
SHERIFF #18-006709

ADDRESS: 10 3 RIVERS
 DRIVE NEWARK 19702
PARCEL: 1004310374
SHERIFF #18-006903

ADDRESS: 805 BRENNEN
 DRIVE NEWARK 19713
PARCEL: 0902210097
SHERIFF #18-006905

ADDRESS: 2 WELLINGTON
 WEST DRIVE
 HOCKESSIN 19707
PARCEL: 0800710001
SHERIFF #18-006915

ADDRESS: 27 TREMONT
 COURT NEWARK 19711
PARCEL: 0802920103
SHERIFF #18-006916

ADDRESS: 5 NATALIE LANE
 NEWARK 19713
PARCEL: 1100610057
SHERIFF #18-006940

ADDRESS: 2116 PASTERNAK
 PLACE NEWARK 19702
PARCEL: 1003910112
SHERIFF #18-006947

ADDRESS: 201 CUNANE
 CIRCLE NEWARK 19702
PARCEL: 1101620033
SHERIFF #18-006964

ADDRESS: 2014 CERVANTES
 COURT NEWARK 19702
PARCEL: 1003910134
SHERIFF #18-006967

ADDRESS: 13 STEPHANIE
 DRIVE BEAR 19701
PARCEL: 1003310535
SHERIFF #18-006969

ADDRESS: 4 BIRCHGROVE
 ROAD NEWARK 19702
PARCEL: 0904110256
SHERIFF #18-006997

ADDRESS: 800 SABINA
 CIRCLE BEAR 19701
PARCEL: 1102820066
SHERIFF #18-006998

ADDRESS: 5122 W.
 WOODMILL DRIVE
 WILMINGTON 19808
PARCEL: 0804920254
SHERIFF #18-007001

ADDRESS: 53 SANFORD
 DRIVE NEWARK 19713
PARCEL: 1100540049
SHERIFF #18-007030

ADDRESS: 412 DARWIN
 DRIVE NEWARK 19711
PARCEL: 0806010230
SHERIFF #18-007031

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF
 DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
 IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
 KATHLEEN MARGARET OLMES
 Petitioner(s)
 TO
 KATHLEEN MARGARET CLAGETT
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that KATHLEEN MARGARET
 OLMES intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common
 Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County,
 to change his/her name to KATHLEEN MARGARET CLAGETT.
 KATHLEEN MARGARET OLMES
 Petitioner
 Dated: 8/9/2018
 2801579
 np 8/24,31,9/7

CITY OF NEWARK
DELAWARE
CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING
September 24, 2018 - 7:00 P.M.

Pursuant to Section 402.2 of the City Charter and Section 32-79
 of the Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, notice is hereby
 given of a public hearing at a regular meeting of the Council in
 the Council Chamber at the Municipal Building, 220 South Main
 Street, Newark, Delaware, on Monday, September 24, 2018 at
 7:00 p.m., at which time the Council will consider for Second
 Reading and Final Passage the following proposed Ordinance:
 Bill 18-21 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 32, Zoning,
 Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Allow-
 ing Sidewalk Cafes, Patios, Decks, Balconies
 and Parklets in the Downtown District

Renee K. Bensley, CMC
 City Secretary

np 9/7

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**PUBLIC AUCTION**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will sell at a public auction on October 16, 2018 at 10 A.M. at Churchmans Mini Storage
455 New Churchmans Road
New Castle, De 19720
302-322-7836

The personal property heretofore stored with the undersigned by:

A033 Cindy Szafranski	table, china cabinet, boxes, etc
A039 Shannon & Ethel Wooters	shelf, household goods, toys, etc
A055 DeJanira Jackson	storage containers, bags, Christmas tree
D008 John Reeder	cabinets, tool boxes, ladder, furn., shovels, etc
D013 John Gildersleeve	bags, mattress/box spring, furn., etc
D016 Thomas Halko	dresser, household goods, a/c, etc
D023 West Maple Bldg Services	desks, shelves, lawn mower, microwave, etc
D028 Marjorie Jardon	furniture, clothes, appliance, etc
np 9/7,14	2800363

**PUBLIC AUCTION
SENTINEL SELF STORAGE**

**465 Pulaski Hwy
New Castle, DE 19720
(302) 328-5810**

A Public Auction will be held on Thursday, October 11th, 2018 at 11:00 AM. The contents of the following storage units will be auctioned:

Unit #4022 - Garlin Murray - Chest of Drawers, Entertainment Center, Shelving, Rug, Chair, Bar Stools, Tote Bag, Assorted Household Items

Unit #4018 - Harris Badger - Boxes, Kitchen Chairs, Clothing, Dining Table, Folding Table, Totes, Washer, Purses, Shoes, Assorted Household Items

**1100 Elkton Road
Newark, DE 19711
(302) 731-8108**

A Public Auction will be held on Wednesday, 10/10//2018 at 12:00 pm. All sales are cash only. The contents of the following storage units will be auctioned:

Unit #2012 - Craig R . Haley - Desk, love seat, dresser, shelving coffee end tables, misc. household goods items

**200 First State Blvd
Wilmington, DE 19804
(302) 999-0704**

A Public Auction will be held on Wednesday, October 10, 2018 at 1:00pm. The contents of the following storage units will be auctioned:

Unit #1134 - Christie Smith - box spring, mattress, boxes, clothing, dresser, refrigerator, coffee table, totes

Unit #1260 - Nakeya Dennis - bags, boxes, clothing, shoes, exercise equip, fan, ice chest, refrigerator, suitcase, snack table, totes, lawn chairs, safe, dolly

Unit #2108 - Shawn P. Welsh - bookcase, boxes, kitchen chair, office chair, upholstered chair, clothing, sofa, dresser, fishing equip, lamps, pictures, kitchen table, totes

Unit #3104 - Clarkson V. Saunders - bags, bed frame, box spring, mattress, boxes, pictures, shelving, totes, tv, cd's

Unit #5116 - Jessie F. Giles Jr. - bed frame, box spring, mattress, bicycle, beach chair, sofa, lamps, love seat, mirrors, end table, tv, vacuum

Unit #6255 - Mayra Rangel - bags, clothing, dresser, kitchen table, totes, toys, vacuum

Unit #9412 - Douglas Gordon - boxes, clothing, shelving, suitcase, totes, tv

Unit #9434 - John Norton - bags, exercise equip, ice chest, suitcase, totes, briefcase

**333 E. Lea Blvd.,
Wilmington, DE 19802
(302) 764-6300**

A Public Auction will be held on Wednesday, October 10, 2018 at 2:00 PM. The contents of the following storage units will be auctioned:

Unit #502 - Danielle Denney - Bags, headboard, boxes, clothing, fan, ironing board, table lamp, pictures, totes, toys.

Unit #224 - Danielle Denney - Bags, bed frame, headboard, (2) bicycles, books, boxes, folding chair, dresser, monitor, pictures, folding table, totes, toys.

Unit #433 - Sara J. DePasquale - Bags, books, boxes, clothing, dresser, pictures, shelving, speakers, sports equipment, coffee tables, end table, totes.

Unit #437 - Anthony M. Davis - Air conditioner, bags, boxes, upholstered chair, clothing, ice chest, mirrors, shelving, suitcase, end table, console TV, shop vac.

Unit #341 - Anthony M. Davis - Bags, boxes, speakers, suitcase, folding table, totes.

Unit #71 - Marvin D. Bright - Bed frame, box spring, headboard, mattress, kitchen chair, clothing, dresser, hamper, ironing board, ladder, microwave, refrigerator, totes.

**141 Edgemoor Rd.
Wilmington, DE 19809
(302) 762-3626**

A Public Auction will be held on Wednesday, October 10, 2018 at 3:00 PM. Sales are "cash only". The contents of the following storage units will be auctioned:

Unit #315 - Jeffery Beard - bags, boxes, clothing, suitcase, totes, CD's

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

LOGAN MICHELE ROBERTS
Petitioner
Dated: 8/21/2018
2802744
np 8/24,31,9/7

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

BRIA LE'NAE FOSTER
Petitioner
Dated: 8/29/2018
2804382
np 9/7,14,21

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

MICHELE POLLINGER
Petitioner
Dated: 8/24/2018
2803339
np 9/7,14,21

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

JENNIFER R. PHILLIPS
Petitioner
Dated: 8/16/2018
2801979
np 8/24,31,9/7

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

CRYSTAL FELITA LAWS
Petitioner
Dated: 8/20/2018
2802269
np 8/24,31,9/7

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

ANTHONY MAURICE DONALDSON
Petitioner
Dated: 8/20/2018
2802279
np 8/24,31,9/7

**CITY OF NEWARK
DELAWARE
COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

September 10, 2018 – 7:00 P.M. – CC

There may be a vote on each and every agenda item set forth herein.

SILENT MEDITATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- *1. **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS (15 minute limit):**
 - A. FY2019 Operating Budget and FY2019-FY2023 Capital Improvement Program Preliminary Departmental Budget Hearings for the Finance, Alderman's Court, Planning and Development and Public Works and Water Resources Departments (Three hours)
2. **ITEMS NOT ON PUBLISHED AGENDA:**
 - A. Elected Officials who represent City of Newark residents or utility customers
 - B. University
 - (1) Administration (5 minutes per speaker)
 - (2) Student Body Representative(s) (5 minutes per speaker)
 - C. City Manager
 - D. Council Members
 - E. Public (3 minutes per speaker)
3. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**
 - A. Approval of Council Minutes – August 27, 2018
 - B. Receipt of Planning Commission Minutes – August 7, 2018
 - C. **First Reading – Bill 18-22** – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 7, Building, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Adding Additional Restrictions and Fines Regarding the Use of Lead Paint in the City of Newark – **Second Reading – September 24, 2018**
4. **ITEMS NOT FINISHED AT PREVIOUS MEETING:** None
- *5. **APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS:**
 - A. Appointment of Thomas Wampler to the District 4 Position on the Planning Commission for a Three-Year Term to Expire September 15, 2021
 - B. Appointment of Marguerite Ashley to the District 4 Position on the Community Development/Revenue Sharing Advisory Committee for a Three-Year Term to Expire March 15, 2021
- *6. **SPECIAL DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**
 - A. Update Regarding the Status of the Recodification Project – City Secretary
- *7. **RECOMMENDATIONS ON CONTRACTS & BIDS:**
 - A. Recommendation to Award Contract 18-06 – Purchase of Nine (9) 12kV Solid Dielectric, Triple Option Reclosers
- *8. **FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** None
- *9. **ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING:** None
- *10. **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND/OR PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT:**
 - A. Request of the City of Newark and the University of Delaware to Amend the Major Subdivision Agreement for the Property Located at 83 East Main Street Known as Barnes and Noble in Order to Remove the Parking Garage Construction Requirement for the Transfer of 42-46 East Delaware Avenue to the City and Add Conditions for the Expansion of Municipal Lot #1 (**Amendment and Resolution Attached**)
- *11. **ITEMS SUBMITTED FOR PUBLISHED AGENDA:**
 - A. **Council Members:** None
 - B. **Others:** None

*OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Agenda Posted – August 31, 2018

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