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UP FRONT

Come celebrate

By JIM STREIT

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

THOSE OF YOU who are native Newarkers just may not realize what a rare gem we have in our downtown. It's not the Stone Balloon, Deer Park Tavern, Old College or any other single landmark that makes our Main Street special. Rather, it is its spirit, vitality and, yes, traffic that mark it unique, particularly among similar towns in suburban America on the East Coast.

I was in my hometown of Catonsville, Md., last week and I took notice of how the Frederick Road business district has changed since I was a youth. Gone are the drug stores, the A&P and Acme, clothing stores and gift shops. They've all been replaced by offices or "for lease" signs.

Like Newark may be to some natives, to me Catonsville's downtown is disappointingly different. It has the same volume of traffic as Newark, much of it similarly "drive through" to other destinations. (Let the record show that traffic, while frustrating, is not a bad thing when it comes to downtowns. Main Streets with no traffic also have no business.)

What Catonsville has lost is what Newark has retained — a role as the center of a community. And this is what

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Liquor law changes on agenda

Monday topics include Laura's Glen, 'new' train station

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Next week, the Newark City Council will face two major issues and hear a presentation about the relocation of the city's train station at its meeting on Monday, May 23.

The council will consider dramatic changes to the liquor licensing system in Newark.

The first proposed change would make it easier to sell liquor in the downtown by eliminating a series of protected areas where adjacent properties cannot sell any alcohol. In its place, the ordinance would require that all downtown businesses go before council for a special use permit to sell alcohol.

"This goes in two directions," explained the city's Planning

Director, Roy Lopata. "On the one hand, it is more restrictive. On the other hand, it is less restrictive."

Proponents of the proposal support it because it would eliminate an intricate list of liquor laws that affect different businesses differently, based on when they were established and what they border.

"This equalizes the level of the playing field," Lopata said.

The council will also hear a presentation from the Delaware

Transit Corporation on the relocation of the train station. Proponents of the relocation hope that it will free up rail lines to increase the number of commuter trains between Newark and Wilmington, and will eventually link up to Middletown and Dover. However opponents say that the current location is ideal because it is within walking distance of the downtown. Both sides will have the opportunity to learn

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Remembering those who served

Ceremony honors troops from every century

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Soldiers stormed Newark on Sunday, May 15. Equipped with bayonet-spiked muskets, swords and rifles, it looked like a coup d'etat gone

historically wrong. But Newarkers had nothing to fear. All of the soldiers, with their dated garb and weaponry, were part of the 70th annual Memorial Ceremony.

It's a tradition that the city hosts every May in honor of those soldiers from every generation who gave their lives in the U.S. armed forces. There were troops sporting powdered wigs and blue capes from the Colonial days. There was a drumming corps in crossed suspenders and knickers from the Revolutionary War. And of course, there were the men and women in the more familiar camouflage and khaki.

Clerk of the Peace Ken Boulden summed up the sentiments of the afternoon. "Amidst all of the pomp and circumstance of this glorious day, let us not forget the significance of today," he said. "We have come together to

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Three men assaulted and robbed

A rash of assaults broke out over the weekend, leaving three victims beaten and robbed.

The first victim, a white 22-year-old male, had his cell phone stolen while at a party on Academy Street early Saturday morning.

The victim called the phone, which was answered by one of the suspects. The suspect told the victim that he would return the phone if they met at a nearby 7-Eleven store. When the victim arrived, he was met by three suspects who assaulted him and stole his cash. The suspects then fled in a sedan, police said.

The car was later identified and stopped by an officer. Michael Schoran of Elkton, Md., was arrested on robbery, conspiracy and theft charges.

The second and third assaults are believed to be related, but independent of Saturday's assault. Three black males and two white males in their early 20s attacked two different victims early Sunday morning.

In Sunday's first assault, the victim was walking alone on Papermill Road at 4:59 a.m. The suspects were hiding in the area and assaulted the victim as he walked past.

Then, about 10 minutes later, another victim was walking alone to his car, which was parked in the lot in front of the 500 building of Scholar Drive. The suspects approached the victim, beat him and stole his cash. The five assailants then fled on foot towards Delaware Avenue.

Both victims in the Sunday morning attacks suffered minor injuries.

Sgt. Elwood Williams said that an increase in crime is typical during spring months. "We're starting to see more warm weather and that means more people are out," he said. "The town comes alive."

Williams said that the Newark Police Department is putting forward its best efforts toward catching the assailants.

"We've already made one arrest," he pointed out. "And in any assault case like this, a detective is assigned and there is an investigation."

He said that the three assaults were not likely linked to this month's murder of University of Delaware student Lindsey Bonistall. The sophomore journalism student was strangled in her Towne Court apartment on Sunday, May 1. The Newark Police Department released a sketch of a burglar who broke into another home the evening before her death, saying that the two incidents could be related. However, since then, no news has been released.

"There is no reason to believe that these assaults were related to Bonistall's murder," Williams said.

— Kaytie Dowling

Arrest after assault

A 22-year-old Middletown man was arrested and charged with assault

No news not always good news

NEARLY three weeks have come and gone since the slaying of University of Delaware sophomore Lindsey Bonistall, and the Newark Police Department has continued its tight-lipped stance.

"We have detectives working around the clock on the Bonistall case," said Sgt. Elwood Williams of the Newark Police Department. "But I don't have any quotes for how the case is going." Police have said they are limiting release of information so as not to jeopardize their investigation.

Bonistall was strangled to death in her Towne Court apartment on Sunday, May 1. Her apartment was then torched to cover the evidence. No arrests have been made. However, police released a sketch (right) of a burglarly suspect who they believe broke into a neighboring home the night before. Police believe that there may be a link

between the two incidents.

While no developments have been announced, the reward for information on the killer has increased. A \$10,000 reward was offered by the management of Towne Court apartments in the early days of the investigation. That pot of money increased after the University of Delaware has announced that it would donate \$15,000. The reward is for information that leads to the arrest and conviction of the murderer. Anyone with information is encouraged to call 366-7110, ext. 137.



third degree after a man was attacked outside Shaggy's restaurant, 45 E. Main St., on Friday, May 13, at 11:05 p.m.

Newark police said the victim's front tooth was broken and he was bleeding from the mouth when officers arrived.

The victim was taken by ambulance to Christiana Hospital for treatment.

Mark E. Lloyd was released after processing pending a court appearance, police said.

Items disappear

Residents of a home in the 400 block Wollaston Avenue told Newark police on Sunday, May 15, at 8:49 p.m. that a variety of their personal belongings was missing.

The thefts took place while the occupants were away the previous evening.

Among the missing items were credit cards, text books and an Apple iPod.

Investigation is continuing, police said.

Camera stolen

A resident of the unit block East Cleveland Avenue told Newark

police on Sunday, May 15, at 11:48 a.m. that a video camera, valued at \$500, had been stolen during a party inside the home the night before.

The camera was stored inside an upstairs bedroom, police were told. About 50 persons attended the gathering.

Fence damaged

A Kells Avenue resident told Newark officers on Sunday, May 15, at 11:16 a.m. that pieces and panels of a wooden fence on the Wollaston Avenue side of his property had been broken.

Cash disappears

An undisclosed amount of cash was stolen from the back office of Peace A Pizza, 44 E. Main St., Newark police were told on Saturday, May 14, at 11:46 p.m.

The suspects entered a rear door then left in a waiting vehicle.

Investigation is continuing, police said.

Dog bites man

A 19-year-old New Jersey man told Newark police he was bitten in the face when he stopped to pet

a dog tied to a pole in the Newark Shopping Center on Saturday, May 14, at 2 p.m.

The bite caused cuts on the man's nose and lip and the victim went for treatment at the Christiana Hospital emergency room, police said.

Follow-up attempts by police to contact the dog's owner were unsuccessful.

Computer stolen

An automotive diagnostic computer valued at \$1,200 were listed as missing after thieves broke into the 896 Shell station, 804 S. College Ave., it was reported to Newark police on Saturday, May 14, at 6:38 a.m.

Inside, the intruders ruffled through automobiles, unsuccessfully used a torch to break into a safe, toppled an ATM machine and forced open a cash register, police said.

Police have some leads; investigation is continuing.

Window broken

A window valued at \$200 was broken when an egg was heaved at it in the 300 block East Main Street on Friday, May 13, at 9:04 p.m., police said.

The front storm door of a home in the 400 block Winterthur Lane was damaged, police were told on Friday, May 13, at 6:19 p.m.

Woman assaulted

A 22-year-old Newark woman told police that an altercation that began inside the Stone Balloon continued outside after tavern personnel removed two fighting women on Friday, May 13, at 12:03 a.m.

One woman said she was attacked by another female following an argument over an ex-boyfriend, police reported.

Crime at New #1

Thieves shattered the front door, then rushed inside and grabbed the cash register drawer at New #1 Chinese Food, 417 New London Road in the Fairfield Shopping Center, it was reported to Newark police on Thursday, May 12, at 6:10 a.m.

Bomb scare gives NHS students 3-hour recess

THE New Castle County Police Bomb Squad and K-9 units, as well as Newark Police responded to a bomb threat at Newark High School, 750 E. Delaware Ave., on Monday, May 16 at approximately 8 a.m.

A student notified school authorities after finding a suspicious note in stairwell C.

Following normal evacuation procedures, all students and staff left the building and spent approximately two hours in the football stadium bleachers waiting for the police and K-9 to sweep the entire school. When the all-clear was given, they returned to the building at 10:30 a.m.

Contrary to rumors spreading throughout the student body and

faculty, only a suspicious note was found and nothing else that directly indicated the presence of a bomb.

Newark Police will continue the investigation.

Bomb threats fall under the heading of terroristic threats and are taken seriously. In the Christina School District Code of Student Conduct, any student who is found to have caused such an act, including placing false fire alarms, is immediately suspended for five days and a possible recommendation for alternative placement or expulsion can be made.

Because such acts also are against the Delaware codes, any suspected individuals must be reported to police for investigation and possible arrest.

Welfare committee honors Val Nardo

Leader of food drives since 1968 cited by group he's supported for many years

By **KAYTIE DOWLING**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

VAL Nardo has always been a giving man. It's something that's in his nature. And now, after a lifetime of tireless work, Nardo has been honored by one of the groups he works so hard to support.

His selfless spirit has shone in the Val Nardo's Needy Family Fund for years. He and a group of dedicated volunteers have fed Newark's families during the holiday season for years. The group collects food throughout the year and parcels it out to different need-based organizations. One of those recipient groups, the Newark Area Welfare Committee, has taken the opportunity to honor Nardo as the Good Neighbor of the year.

Gene Zaborowski, director

of the NAWC said that Nardo was chosen for this annual award because of the extensive work he puts in towards keeping food on Newark's dinner tables.

"Each year we have our Christmas basket program," Zaborowski said. "And each year, Val Nardo is the person who gives more food for anyone else. He has been doing this for years."

Decades is more like it. Val Nardo's Needy Family Fund has collected food since 1968. And each year, the total amount of food they amassed has been measured in tons. This year alone, Nardo's group gathered 600 cases of canned food, 400 loaves of bread, 360 one-pound packages of margarine, 35 bushels of apples, 125 turkeys and 350 tins of cookies.

"It's an enormous amount of food," Zaborowski said. "This is typical of what he does for NAWC each year."



Gene Zaborowski, left, presents the award proclaiming humanitarian Val Nardo at the Newark Area Welfare Committee's "Good Neighbor of the Year." Nardo's efforts via his non-profit Val's Needy Family Fund helped feed dozens of needy Newark families. Nardo has been spearheading a holiday food basket program here since 1968.

ALL A BUZZ!



Newark-based group wins \$10,000 grant to save threatened hummingbirds

By **KAYTIE DOWLING**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

ASK Ross Hawkins what his passion is, and he just might tell you that it's tiny - less than five inches long - and is crimson red with gold specks and hails from Chile. He'll also tell you that it's incredibly rare and getting more and more precious each day. Know what it is? It's the Juan Fernandez Firecrown, a hummingbird.

Hawkins is the founder of

the Hummingbird Society, one of the largest nonprofit organizations centered in Newark. From the society's Main Street location, Hawkins tracks information about the world's tiniest fliers, publishes a bi-monthly magazine, and most importantly, gives a face to the preservation of the plumed pilots.

Now, after a \$10,000 grant from the Wallis Foundation, Hawkins and the folks at the Hummingbird Society will have the ammunition to fight for the Firecrown's survival. It is one of the most endangered

birds. Only seven other hummingbirds teeter on the edge of extinction as closely as the Firecrown does. At the last count, there were less than 200 alive.

"We haven't had a species go extinct since the 1880s," Hawkins points out. "It would be a tragedy if we lost this one now."

The bird is a rare gem in the ornithological world. It is unusually large for a humming-

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The top teen

NIKHIL Paul's hard work has not gone unnoticed. On Tuesday, May 17, the Newark Lions Club named the 17-year-old Teenager of the Year.

Robert McAlpine of the Lions Club said that this year's recipient genuinely stood out from the crowd.

"Nikhil is active in many ways," McAlpine said. "A thumbnail sketch of his accomplishments include six youth activity awards, two outstanding awards for youth services and service as

the president of the St. Mark's Student Council."

His list of accolades goes on and on, but the one place that he shines the most is in his work with the Red Cross. As a certified CPR instructor, Paul has led first aid classes in local schools and at the Red Cross building. He led the Red Cross International Youth Leadership Conference last year, all while remaining active in his church, school and sports team.

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NEWARK POST PHOTO BY MATT BASHAM

Nikhil Paul receives his award from Lions club president Jim Brown, left, and Delaware's Secretary of Education, Valerie Woodruff, right.

In Our Schools

EDUCATION NEWS FOR NEWARK FROM LOCAL SCHOOLS

NOTE PAD

Summer fun needs precautions

SPRING is here and it's time to enjoy the great outdoors. Remember to apply sunscreen early and often to avoid sunburns and reduce the risk of skin cancer. Children playing water games and swimming need to reapply sunscreen often.

Children can be taught to apply sunscreens first thing in the day, right after they wash their face and brush their teeth.

Mosquito and tick repellants are also important, especially in the evening hours.

WOW bus coming

The Christina School's mobile language arts lab will be parked at the Shipyard Shops on the Wilmington Riverfront, on Saturday, May 21, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Students, from kindergarten to sixth grade are welcome to board the WOW bus, for 45-minute sessions, to work on their reading and language skills with computer games or read books. Parents or guardians must register their child and will be given a beeper to notify them when their child's session is completed.

School board meeting

The Christina Board of Education will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, May 24, 7:30 p.m. at Brader Elementary School, 107 Four Seasons Parkway, Newark. Visit www.christina.k12.de.us for the agenda. Public is invited.

Student of the Week

Sunny Jones, an eighth grader at Shue-Medill Middle School, was selected by Principal Eleanor Ludwigsen and staff as this week's Student of the Week.

Sunny's name is appropriate for her personality. She is creative and thoughtful and is always willing to help out as a leader and role model for her peers. During the school's Mock Trials, she performed as both an attorney and as a witness. She is active in the orchestra and chorus.



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Book reviews for peer-enjoyment

By **ROBIN BROOMALL**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

HOW do you combine health, literature and computer classes into one meaningful project? With the help of an MBNA grant, one group of 60 students at Glasgow High School found the answer.

"Technically Healthy" was developed by health teacher Elaine VanWickle and special education teacher Phyllis Rubinstein to encourage their students, mostly ninth and tenth graders, to read books dealing with a wide variety of health issues. In turn, the student readers evaluated the books and gave them one, two, three or four star ratings so that other students would be encouraged to read them in the future.

The MBNA grant enabled the school to purchase a LCD projector which was used by the students to make Power Point presentations for their book reviews.

At the end of the two-week project, ten presentations were selected to be presented to family and friends, as well as a representative from MBNA, during a luncheon in the library.

One by one, the students told the premise of their story, the related health issues, how the situation was resolved and what their rating of the book would be.

Health issues included many that today's students experience themselves or know friends who



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY ROBIN BROOMALL

Ninth grader Darren Vanderbossche gives a Power Point presentation on his review of "Dear Mr. Henshaw." The two-week project, involving 60 students with a wide variety of skill levels, combined health-related issues, language arts and computer technology classes.

have gone through them, including ADHD, death of a relative or friend, a parent with alcoholism, pessimism, depression, drugs and sex.

Time was spent in health class and reading and discussing the books as well as in the library computer lab working on their presentations.

Darren Vanderbossche, a ninth grader, reported on "Dear Mr. Henshaw," a book about a son's neglect from his father. Vanderbossche said he learned other people have to go through hard times, but that there are good points that can help pull them out of the depressing situation. This was his first attempt at using Power Point, but having everything on the screen made it easier for him to give his presentation.

Cory Bart, a ninth grader, was more adept using computer technology and had Pokey the Penguin guiding the viewer through his report on "Johnny Tremain."

Of the 60 students participating in the project, approximately 15 of them are special education, but their difference in abilities was not evident in their project work, said Principal Todd Harvey.

In the three Christina high schools, all students are tested several times during the school year for their reading level. Teachers can then use the results of the MAP testing to ensure individual students are reading books appropriate to their skill level. Every book has a Lexile score that indicates the reading level.

"This is inclusion at its best," Harvey said, referring to mixing students of different educational skills in the same classes. When students have age and skill-level-appropriate reading material they can cover the same subject matter and be successful, he said.

This land is my land...

River cleanup teaches environmental lesson

By **ROBIN BROOMALL**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

GLASGOW High School senior Alyce Derr has a message for mankind.

"We humans should be ashamed of ourselves," Derr said, just days after she and nine other classmates spent a day cleaning up the banks of the Christina River near Stanton.

The students from the AP Environmental Science and Floriculture classes, under the direction of teacher Amy Kohan, participated in Earth Day by picking up trash and debris, helping to clean up the environment and

make it better for humans and animals.

They collected pieces of foam, carpet, toys, toothpaste tubes, tires, mufflers, a bike, an old cash register, two bones, someone's underwear and soda and beer cans. Lots of soda and beer cans. Nothing was too small or too big for them to handle. But they did admit to being excited when they found larger items, like the bike and mufflers. It was more fulfilling than picking up a gum wrapper.

To keep their minds off the pain of spending more than four hours bent over, digging items out of the mud on the river bank, they made up stories about everything they found. Could the bones have been those of humans? How could someone lose their underwear?



Trudging up and down the Christina River bank, hauling out trash, was back breaking work for Susan Lee, left, and Crystal Ewell.

By the end of the day several dump truck loads of trash bags and larger items were hauled off by the Army National Guard and Merit Construction Company, who had donated the services of their trucks, Humvees and bull-

dozers.

Even though their bodies ached when they were done, the students said their souls felt good.

"We did a little bit," said senior Crystal Ewell, "but it made a big difference."

Book club gets sponsor, encourages readers

By **ROBIN BROOMALL**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

PARTICIPANTS in Newark High's book club took a trip to jail.

Along with librarian Donna Reed and Miss Diamond State, Amber Knight, approximately 10 students made the fictional journey to Alcatraz in 1935. The book they were reading, "Al Capone Does My Shirts," written by Gennifer Choldenko, is the story of a young boy and his adventures living at the infamous prison where his father was a guard. It doesn't take long for Moose to find trouble.

This was the third book the students were reading this semester as part of the book club. The book is sponsored by Knight as part of her literacy and mentoring

platform in the Miss Delaware pageant.

Earlier this year, Knight held a fund raiser, the Little Miss - New Castle County pageant, and raised \$500 for the NHS library. The funds will go towards purchasing extra copies of the Al Capone book for the library's collection.

McDonalds Corporation, through the Dukart family, sponsored the first book, "Raisin in the Sun," and several other African American books.

"We're very fortunate to have community support, like McDonalds and Amber," said Reed. The students particularly liked that Knight attended their sessions and read the book along with them.

Before the book club members started reading their lat-

est story, Reed explained some of the historical background to them, including the legendary Al Capone and the political and social situation in the 30's. It was important for the readers to understand the background in order to appreciate the situations the lead characters found themselves in.

It didn't take long in reading the introductory pages for them to learn about Moose's sister who was autistic. Ironically, one member of the book club also has autism and was able to explain the symptoms and challenges she has endured through her years in school.

The book titles were selected by Reed after the students told her what they were interested in. Meeting during their lunch periods, they were eager to get started on the books, having most of them finished within a few days.

All 12 copies of the books were in circulation. Reed said as soon as other students saw the title was on the book club list, the books went flying off the shelf.

"Reading is definitely on the



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY ROBIN BROOMALL

Newark High School book club started reading the historical fiction, "Al Capone Does My Shirts," with librarian Donna Reed, left, and Sponsor Amber Knight, second from left. When other students find out the books have been on the bookclub's list, extra copies go flying off the shelf, said Reed.

upswing," said Reed. "Kids are reading more. Libraries are not declining. Even when there are no scheduled classes [in the library], the library is still packed."

Statistics on the number of books checked out of the library by students support her state-

ments. In April, for the first time, more than 1,100 books had been read. That was nearly double the number from the month before and three times what was checked out last September. Hosting the book club, a book fair and purchasing more books by African American authors and a dragon book collection helped with the attraction of more readers, said Reed.

The library will host its second annual Technology Fair May 27 which will have nearly 30 vendors present.

Spring concerts and musicals

SPRING concerts and musical performances will be held in the following Christina Schools this upcoming week, with all beginning at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted:

■ Thursday, May 19, Leasure Elementary School will hold its Spring concert in the auditorium of Kirk Middle School;

■ Friday, May 20, Newark High School will present its Improv Show;

■ Monday, May 23, Glasgow High School will have its Farewell concert;

■ Tuesday, May 24, Marshall Elementary School will hold its

Spring concert at 9:15 a.m., 1:30 and 7 p.m.;

■ Tuesday, May 24, Shue-Medill Middle School will present a Grand Finale concert at 7:30 p.m.;

■ Wednesday, May 25, Kirk Middle School will hold its Spring concert;

■ Thursday, May 26, Newark High School will present its Pops concert; and

■ Thursday, May 26, West Park Elementary School will hold its Spring concert.

Concerts are free and open to the public.

Enrolling tiny ones now

CHRISTIANA High School's Child Development Center is accepting enrollments for the 2005-2006 school year for children between two and four years old and potty trained. Children will be involved in educational activities daily. Program hours are 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday during the regular school calendar. The Center will be closed if the school is closed or there is early dismissal. Tuition is \$100 per semester. For info or to enroll, call Nashawn Jackson at 454-2123 ext. 12256 or jacksonn@christiana.k12.de.us.

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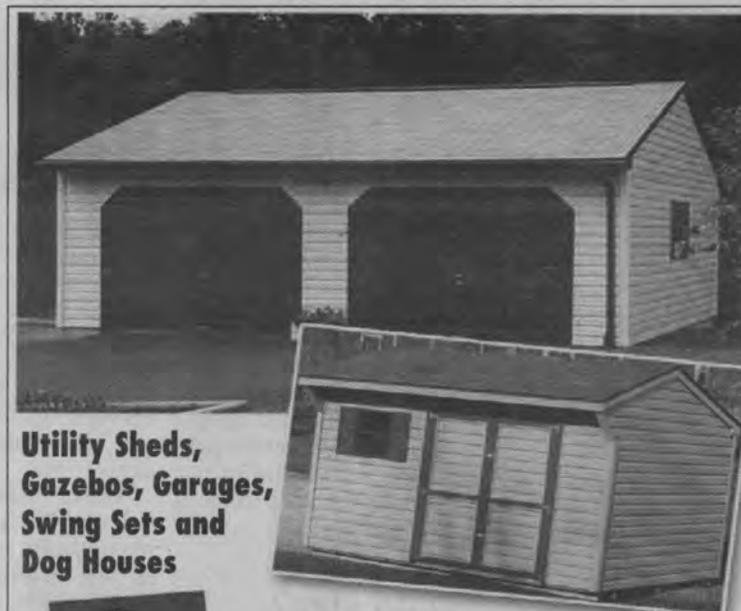
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WELCOME TO MY LIFE

Effects of pregnancy amnesia hormone

By TRACY DOWNS

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

I'M convinced that women who have more than one child have a pregnancy amnesia hormone. That's why we mothers think it's a great idea to have another baby before we become pregnant again. I think I have the pregnancy amnesia hormone — that's why I'm expecting my third child in the beginning of June.

Before getting pregnant yet again, I was sure that this time would be different. I wouldn't gain a lot of weight. I would exercise regularly to stay in shape. I would continue to eat healthy.

Plus, maternity clothes have come a long way since I was last pregnant five years ago. Even the Gap now sells maternity clothes. In my mind, I was going to be the most fashionable pregnant woman in town. No more frocks for me.



Downs

Then reality set in.

I was the victim of morning (noon and night) sickness for two months. I threw up several times each day and my diet consisted of cheese, peanut butter, saltine crackers, oatmeal, cereal, and cream of wheat. I wore sea sickness bands around my wrists to lessen the nausea (I don't think they worked). The constant vomiting often caused bloody noses, and I even burst a blood vessel in my eye from throwing up so hard.

I was so sick during these early months that I couldn't exercise. Any free time was spent in bed curled up in a ball hoping to fall asleep.

When the nausea finally subsided around the fourth month, just walking for exercise caused shortness of breath.

Was I out of shape this quickly or was the pregnancy causing this?

It was a little bit of both, but I kept walking and it became easier.

But now, walking is painful much of the time as the baby is very low and crushing several vital organs.

And yes, the Gap does sell maternity clothes that are nicer than my regular clothes, but I couldn't bring myself to spend \$70 for a pair of pants that will only

■ Downs is program director of the Building Responsibility Coalition at the University of Delaware. She lives in Newark with her family.

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be worn for a few months. I broke down and purchased a few pairs of pants that were on sale, but most of my clothes came from less expensive stores, like Target (a few steps up from the K-Mart maternity clothes I was forced to wear during my first two pregnancies).

And to add to the glamour of this pregnancy, it was pointed out by the midwife that I fell into the category of “advanced maternal age.” I was concerned that this would prevent me from delivering at the Birth Center in Wilmington.

But, I was in luck, as they don't consider age to be a risk factor in pregnancy. I delivered both of my daughters at the Birth Center and I was looking forward to delivering there again. I must have the pregnancy amnesia hormone if I plan to go through the excruciating pain of labor and delivery a third time without medication.

But at this point, I don't care. I just want it to be over. I am kicked and punched frequently, my hips ache at night, I have a hard time sleeping and walking, and I get indigestion from drinking water. I look like I swallowed a basketball.

Even though it doesn't sound like it, I am excited and looking forward to the baby being born. Not only to get back to my old self, but to answer all of the questions about the baby that we've had for the past eight months. And with the birth of this baby, hopefully, the pregnancy amnesia hormone will be born, too.

Have a column idea?

Downs is one of several regular columnists for the Opinion page. The commentators write about personal experiences that connect with readers, historical stories about Newark, humorous recollections, and on matters of local interest to Newark residents. Any person with an appropriate column idea is invited to contact News Editor Kaytie Dowling at 737-0724.

OUT OF THE ATTIC



This week, Out of the Attic features a view of University of Delaware Centenary Celebrations at the corner of Main Street and College Avenue, looking southeast, in mid-May 1934. The house in the background was known as the 'Flower Hospital' and served as the university's infirmary at that time; the Sharp Laboratory now stands on that site, according to UD's Ian Janssen. Readers are encouraged to send old photos to the Newark Post, "Out of the Attic," Suite 206, 168 Elkton Road, Newark 19711. Special care will be taken. For information, call 737-0724.

PAGES FROM THE PAST

News as it appeared in the Newark Post through the years

■ May 22, 1930

Changes shown in population

Census figures for the past five decades for the towns of Delaware show interesting variations in population. The figures include all towns outside of the city of Wilmington, the enumeration of which will be completed in a few days.

Dover, with a population of 4,771 is the biggest municipality of the state, outside of Wilmington. Its population in 1890 was 3,061 and it grew steadily since then. It was 4,042 in 1920.

Speed not recklessness

A charge to a jury of Judge Charles S. Richards in the Court of General Sessions, in Wilmington Monday afternoon, in the case of P. Roland Dill, who appealed from the

decision of the Justice of the Peace, Lucius C. Jones, is expected to have considerable bearing on future cases of prosecution for reckless driving, based upon speed.

In his charge to the jury, Judge Richards quoted the law passed by the last session of the Legislature and declared that while the law in one section said that speed in excess of 35 miles per

hour for more than a quarter of a mile should be taken as prima facie evidence of reckless driving, yet the jury should take into consideration other sections of the law which deals with the weight of the car, the efficiency of the brakes, the traffic upon the road at the time, the width of the road, and the care of the motorist in stopping at proper points.

■ May 21, 1980

Leaders try to control alcohol

City officials will ask the state Acoholic Beverage Control Commission to help with the recently-begun crackdown on liquor-related offenses in the downtown area.

City Council, the city manager, city solicitor,

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"Pages From The Past" is compiled from early editions of the Newark Post and its forerunners by staffers. Efforts are made to retain original headlines and style.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

'Safety trumps publicity'

To: The editor

From: Patrick T. Hart, M.D.
Newark

THE Christina School District plans to spend tens of thousands of dollars to install a large (over code) electronic messaging sign in front of its three high schools, Newark, Christiana and Glasgow.

The Federal Highway Administration discourages the use of changeable message signs for general public information. They state that they should be used for "pertinent traffic operational and guidance information only."

The signs are a distraction especially to younger drivers and contribute to an increase in crash rates.

The stated purpose for the electronic message signs is to "celebrate student accomplishments and to publicize school and community events."

I believe safety trumps publicity and the Christina School District should also support safety over publicity.

The parents, students, school principals, safety officers and concerned citizens should weigh in on this issue now, for once the signs are up they will be almost impossible to change or take down.

Main Street focus of annual dinner, all welcome

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makes downtown Newark a gem.

No, the Main Street district is not the commerce center it was when Pilnick's sold shoes, Rhodes drug store had a soda fountain, and your change came via pneumatic tubes at the Newark Department Store.

The only constant is change, nowhere more true than in business districts. Our Main Street has adapted, survived ups and downs, and evolved into an area that welcomes thousands of students each day. At the same time, it is inviting to businesspeople who work there and residents who live nearby. It is this vitality that make downtown Newark different from its East Coast peers.

Last weekend, the downtown area served as the staging area for Delaware's best salute to our armed forces.

Newark Nite is two weeks away; it's when Newarkers and 20,000 of their best friends flood into the downtown area to celebrate, simply, being in Newark.

But Newark doesn't need the special events to make it the center of a community. Those of us who live here, some more than others, find attractions on Main Street that lure us there. Have you ever stood in line at Rita's water ice and not seen someone you know? I suspect not.

We don't have to go very far to see what we could be. Visit downtown Elkton, Md., about 7 p.m. some weeknight and determine if you could set a cannon off and not hit a soul. Your answer will be "yes."

Whatever warts it has, downtown Newark is alive and well. And it is so because its four constituencies — residents, businesspeople, the



City of Newark government and the University of Delaware — each in their own way have worked to preserve Main Street and have it provide a sense of identity, a town center, for those of us who choose to live here.

On Thursday, June 16, beginning at 5:30 p.m., the Downtown Newark Partnership will host its annual dinner at the Trabant University Center, 17 W. Main St. It is the once-a-year opportunity for the four segments of downtown Newark to pause and celebrate their accomplishments. The DNP has a paid administrator but its real work, in scope and depth, is done by dozens of volunteers.

The June 16 dinner is their chance to reflect upon the work of the past 12 months and to honor outstanding volunteers. The Selena Bing Community

Service Awards will honor four people who work tirelessly in the best interests of downtown Newark.

Tickets are only \$35 per person. Call 366-7030 for more information and reservations.

The DNP annual dinner is a fun event. This year, there will be no long speeches, rather just a public pat on the back to the volunteers and the special awards.

Businesspeople, UD and city officials attend but the event is open to any person who cares to honor the vitality of downtown Newark. I hope you'll come celebrate.

■ The writer is chairman of the Downtown Newark Partnership (probably only because no one else will take the post). He is publisher of this and three other newspapers headquartered in Newark. The Streit family took their first stroll down Main Street in 1992.

2000: Parents hear about proposed charter school in Newark

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police chief and the building director met Monday night to discuss possible action to cut the number of incidents of public drinking and disorderly conduct that have been plaguing city residents in the past year.

Stepped up enforcement by Newark police has resulted in over 300 alcohol-related offenses since May 1.

Parents ask for closing

The parents at E. Frances Medill Elementary have asked the New Castle County school administration to close their school this year.

According to Medill PTA president John Sann, the school's small population has made it impossible to obtain a full-time principal, quality programs and reading resource teachers.

Sann and Medill teachers and parents get together on the problem this April after the board voted to close no schools. "We just decided we couldn't go through it (fighting for funds) another year," Sann said.

Panel to oversee study

A panel of over 100 citizens concerned with the conservation of the White Clay Valley was formed last week to oversee a University of Delaware study on stormwater management for the creek.

Panel members, including

representatives of conservation groups, industry and the water resources agencies for New Castle and Chester counties will serve on six committees that will aid university researchers in finding solutions to pollution and erosion in the White Clay Creek caused by stormwater drainage.

■ May 19, 2000

Parents hear about school

Schooling that has traditionally been supported and funded by private businesses and organizations has evolved into a grassroots movement to provide children a better education in the greater Newark area.

The Newark Charter School has grown from an idea to a reality. With the help of founding board members Tony Wexler, a University of Delaware professor, and parent, Joan O. Pierson, a parent and former teacher; Hal Godwin, the Mayor of Newark; Rep. Timothy Boulden and Sen. Steve Amick, the school is on its way to becoming an option for parents and their fifth through eighth grade students.

Memorial Day parade Sunday

Newark's 65th annual Memorial Parade, the largest in the state, begins with a ceremony on the University Mall at 1 p.m. on Sunday, May 21.

Over 80 marching units, representing all branches of service,

veterans organizations, civil authorities, area schools and community organizations will participate.

The parade begins at 2 p.m. and travels from South College avenue to Academy Street along Main Street which will be closed to other traffic.

Turn lanes slated

One of this region's busiest intersections is about to get a face lift from the folks at the Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT).

The area, where Route 2 (Kirkwood Highway) and Route

273 converge with Main Street is one of the most heavily traveled intersections in Newark, with backups not uncommon for drivers wishing to turn onto Route 273 eastbound.

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OUTLOOK

Soda overload

By MARIA PIPPIDIS

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

THE heat is on and when the temperature goes up we consume more liquids. But over the past few decades, soft drinks have swapped roles in our diet, shifting from occasional treat to daily staple. There are more of them; choices have exploded and they're bigger. The average size has ballooned from 6.5 ounces to 20 ounces.

Kids now have more access to soft drinks than milk. But as our diet sweetens and super-sizes; the health of our children is in jeopardy. Fortunately parents can help kids

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make better choices when eating out and take control of what's in the refrigerator at home.

Just how prominent are soft drinks in our diet? According to statistics from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Economic Research Services data on food and drink consumption, 56 percent of 8-year-olds consume soft drinks daily. One third of all teenage boys consume at least three soft drinks a day. And on average, adolescents get 11 percent of their daily calories from soft drinks. The per capita soft drink consumption has increased almost 500 percent over the past 50 years.

The soaring soft-drink consumption is one of many contributors to the rising rate of childhood obesity in America. According to the American Academy of Pediatrics, the proportion of overweight children between 6 and 11 has doubled since 1980; the proportion of overweight adolescents has tripled. Soft drinks are empty calories—meaning they are high in sugar and void

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Walking in their footsteps

Students get insiders look at retail through job-shadow program

By ROBIN BROOMALL

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

THE first day Ty McNair went to work, his manager ushered him right back out the front door.

"Look up there," Charlie Fifer told McNair. "That's your name on the front of the store. Not Boscov's. This is your store and you are here to run it." Soon after that, McNair was helping Fifer dress mannequins in the men's department, then arrange a display in housewares. They had 32 different departments to cover, cleaning, setting up displays, making sure everything looked just right for the customers.

McNair, a tenth grader at Christiana High School, was working with Fifer, the visual manager for Boscov's Newark store, as part of a mentoring, job-shadowing program for students at CHS.

Moments later, Elizabeth Knickerbocker went flying through the first floor women's department with an armload of clothes. She was assisting Jeanne Kasey, human relations manager, in selecting outfits and writing descriptions for an upcoming fashion show.

"This is lots of fun," Knickerbocker said while searching for the right shade of green sweater. "You learn you need to be most respectful to your customers, pay attention. It's a lot of work."

At the front of the store, Amanda Ricks quietly arranged a display of costume jewelry. This was her first time working in a retail store. "I learned how to work with customers, ask if they need anything and be friendly," Ricks said. She thought she would come there to apply for her first job.

Brandon Peak was everywhere in the store with the assistant store manager. They were hard to track down, on the move all afternoon.

Teddisha Edwards was in the curtains department, which includes a lot of hot decorator items.

Since April 10, ten students have been partnered with a



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY ROBIN BROOMALL

Boscov's Newark location General Manager Ken Brennan gives some pointers on retail display to tenth grader Gus Hernandez. The job-shadowing program gives students from CHS a chance to see the options available in retail careers.

department store manager for two hours on Tuesday afternoons after school dismissal. The students volunteer their time and get no pay. However, through the program the students will not only gain a mentor, they will also get an inside look at a variety of career opportunities available in retail.

"We are thrilled to offer this unique mentoring experience to these students," said Ken Brennan, general manager of Boscov's Newark location. "We can help students who may need a little extra attention, while offering them the opportunity to participate in some of the day-to-day operations of our store."

Brennan, himself, was mentoring Gus Hernandez, explaining the in's and out's of the retail industry.

"Mr. Brennan taught me some of the secrets of retailing. Ninety percent of what's bought is by women," Hernandez said as he followed Brennan around the

store. "He's showing me how to handle situations." Hernandez said he wanted to be a business manager when he completes school.

Back in the general manager's office a few minutes later, Brennan and Hernandez would be pouring over reams of reports to gauge how this store is doing compared to other locations.

In order to be selected for the program, interested tenth graders at CHS had to complete applications and go through the interview process, just as if they were being hired. For some students this was the first job application they had ever completed. Then Kasey paired the students with a manager who had a similar personality, making the transition easier for everyone involved.

The program is coordinated by the Delaware Mentoring Council, in partnership with the Delaware State Chamber of Commerce, to encourage retailers in the community to offer job-shadow-

ing opportunities for other high school students. Boscov's agreed to participate as the pilot program.

Evelyn Laminack, with the Council, said the pilot at Boscov's has been very successful and plans are for the program to be a full school year, starting in September, for a limited number of tenth graders, meeting once a week for two hours at a time. Also, the eleventh graders would be invited back to work in other departments and build on the skills they have developed.

"We value Boscov's partnership and for making great opportunities happen for kids," said Christina's superintendent Dr. Joseph Wise. "Students who have the opportunity to work with mentors in this type of job-shadowing experience gain real knowledge that will help them in all areas of life."

For info on the mentoring program, call 655-7221.

Ancestral du Pont family home reopens

AN historic and artistic treasure, a museum within a museum has reopened for us all to see and enjoy in a much nicer and safer form. Hagley museum's ancestral du Pont home, which closed in 2004 for a period of renovating and refurbishing, is now ready for visitors again.

For those of you not familiar with this gem set along the banks of the Brandywine, the ancestral du Pont family home on the grounds of the Hagley Museum and Library is named Eleutherian Mills in honor of its builder and du Pont Company founder, Eleuthere Irenee du Pont. He began construction on the home more than two centuries ago while simultaneously starting a gunpowder manufactory along the Brandywine River.

The purpose of the home's recent renovations was to repair some of the damage of age and weather, and make improve-

THE ARTS



By PHIL TOMAN

ments needed for it to continue receiving visitors from across the nation and around the world. A major part of the project involved sealing the exterior envelope of the building to keep moisture out. This included repairing damaged stucco, woodwork, masonry, drainage and replacing portions

of the roof.

But all the attention was not focused on the outside of Eleutherian Mills. While all the structural work was being done, Hagley's curatorial and conservation staff took advantage of the fact that more than 4,000 furnishings were removed from the home. They examined each artifact and identified those in need of some type of conservation treatment, ranging from minor cleaning and polishing to more extensive repairs.

Earlier I mentioned that it is a museum within a museum. This time of year you have the opportunity to do much more than visit the newly refurbished home. The fresh spring air provides the perfect setting in which to learn the American industrial history that Hagley's riverside landscape reveals through the story of the

du Pont Company's early days and the manufacturing process of its first product, gunpowder. Gunpowder was made at Hagley for more than 100 years.

Water from the Brandywine River was diverted and channeled through wooden waterwheels or metal turbines to turn massive iron rolling wheels that ground the ingredients of this explosive mixture. Today, visitors can watch this process in a dramatic demonstration as a roll mill operator opens the sluice gates and lets the water go to work.

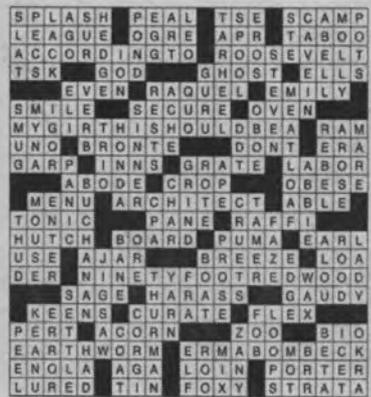
Hagley is located on Route 141 between St. Joseph's Church and the du Pont Experimental Station, Wilmington. Look for the roadside sign and follow the arrows down the hill to the river bank and turn left into the museum. Admission to the entire 235-acre museum is \$11 for adults, \$9



The Hagley museum is a gem set along the banks of the Brandywine.

for students and senior citizens. \$4 for children six to 14, and free for children five and under. For more information you may call 658-2400.

Solution to The Post Stumper on Page 11.



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of any redeeming nutritive value. Parents may see them as harmless, but they're not.

When children consume a lot of soft drinks they aren't just boosting their sugar and calorie intake. They're substituting sodas for healthier beverages. One result we see is that only 36 percent of boys and 14 percent of girls are getting enough calcium. High soft-drink consumption is also correlated with low intakes of magnesium, vitamin

A, vitamin C and riboflavin. Did you know that getting enough calcium as a youth helps prevent osteoporosis when you age? So drinking milk and calcium enriched orange juice is really the better choice.

Parents can do a lot to help kids make better choices. Try these suggestions:

Help children learn to enjoy water as the thirst quencher of choice. Add a piece of lemon or lime to add flavor. Provide a variety of low-fat milks and 100 percent fruit and vegetable juices that are high in nutrients. Read the label and be sure you're getting the pure juice and not a juice drink. Provide access to soft

drinks as a "sometimes" beverage to be enjoyed in moderate amounts. Be a role model by making healthy beverage choices.

Are you a daily soda drinker? Now may be the time to cut back. Be an advocate for healthy drink options at school.

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FRIDAY

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DANCE SOCIAL 8 p.m. - midnight. Featuring music from the 50s - 80s. \$10 for the dance. \$12.50 for a dance and a photo. Talleyville Fire Hall, Concord Pike. Info., 998-3115.

ANIMALS IN THE GALLERY 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Dozens of works in inspired by animals and their behaviors. \$8 adults, \$5 seniors, students, children 6-12. Free for members and children under 6. Brandywine River Museum, Route 1, Chadds Ford. Info., 610-388-2700 or visit www.brandywinemuseum.org.

LONGABERGER BASKET BINGO 7 p.m. Door prizes, raffles, cash snack bar available. \$20 for 20 games. Ladies Auxiliary, Mill Creek Fire Company, 3900 Kirkwood Hwy. Info., 998-9685.

LIVE MUSIC 7 - 10 p.m. Guitarist Bill Belcher will perform. No cover charge. Home Grown Café, 126 E. Main St. Info, 266-6993.

SATURDAY

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TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. For the Kids Fest Talent Show on June 11. All talents welcomed. Family Life Center, Calvary Assembly of God, 1141 E. Lebanon Rd., Dover. Info., 697-7776.

THE LOIS YOUNG SHOW 10:30 a.m. Theme is "Princesses, Dragons and Daring Deeds!" Children dress up as a princess or knight, or wear something they might like. Bring a stuffed animal unicorn, dragon or other mythical characters. The New Century Club of Newark, Delaware Avenue and Haines Street. \$6. Info., 456-9227 or visit www.loisyoung.com.

LIVE MUSIC 7 - 10 p.m. Folk rock group What's Eating Annie will perform. No cover charge. Home Grown Café, 126 E. Main St. Info, 266-6993.

MONTE CARLO NIGHT 7 p.m. Benefits cancer program of the Christiana



LIVE IN NEWARK

Dave Dziubczynski will take the stage on Thursday, May 26 as part of the Newark Spring Concert Series. His one-hour show will start at 7 p.m. on the Academy Building Lawn on the corner of Main and Academy Streets. For more information, call 366-7060.

Care Friends of the Helen F. Graham Cancer Center. \$250 per couple. Helen F. Graham Cancer Center. 327-3305.

DANCE PRESENTATION 1 p.m., 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. Also available May 22. Delaware Dance Company will present "Tales From the Enchanted Forest." Mitchell Hall, UD Campus, S. College and Amstel Avenues. Info., 738-2023 or visit www.delawaredance.org.

■ SUNDAY, MAY 22

THE TIGHTENING NOOSE 7 p.m. Programs will discuss community issues in Delaware involving the Latino community. New Ark United Church of Christ, Wells Hall, 300 E. Main St. Info., 731-2622.

SYMPHONY PERFORMANCE 7:30 p.m. "Of Fate and Mortality" will be presented by the Newark Symphony Orchestra. Loudis Recital hall, Amy E. du Pont Music Building, Amstel Avenue and Orchard Road. Info., 368-2948.

■ WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

DANCE LESSONS 7 p.m. Samba for beginners. 8 p.m. Waltz for intermediates. \$7 for USABDA members. \$10 non-members. \$5 students with ID. Blue Hen Corporate Center, 655 S. Bay Rd., Dover. Info., 734-8794 or visit www.usadancedoverde.com.

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

■ THURSDAY, MAY 26

POPS CONCERT 7 p.m. Showcasing student musicians and artists. Free, open to all. Newark High School.

SPRING CONCERT SERIES 7 - 8 p.m. Dave Dziubczynski will hold a guitar concert. Academy Building Lawn. Info., 366-7060.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

BIRDS & BREAKFAST Birding at 8 a.m. Breakfast at 10 a.m. Special Family Birding from 8 - 9 a.m. Also available June 25. Join us for an early morning hike through the park in search of some of the spring arrivals. Breakfast will be served after the hike. Pre-registration is required. \$6 for adults. \$3 for children under 12. Brandywine Creek State Park. Info., 655-5740.

■ FRIDAY, MAY 20

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

FAMILY & COMMUNITY 1 p.m. Continuing education to promote better way of life. New members welcome. County Extension Office, South Chapel St. Info., 738-4419 or 831-1239.

■ SATURDAY, MAY 21

MEN'S BREAKFAST 7:30 a.m. \$5 donation goes to missions. Greater Grace Church, 750 Otts Chapel Rd. Info., 738-1530.

KARAOKE 8 p.m. - midnight. The American Legion of Elkton. Info., 410-398-9720.

CHRISTIAN MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION 8:30 a.m. Denny's on Route 13. Info., 838-6458.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED 10 a.m. Join a great group of committed volunteers! We have programs scheduled all year round and we need your help. Brandywine Creek State Park. Info., 655-5740.

LYME SUPPORT GROUP 10:30 a.m. Kirkwood Highway Library. Info., 996-9065.

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

POST-POLIO SUPPORT 10 a.m. - noon. Easter Seal Independent Living Center, Reads Way, New Castle. Info., 369-3905 or 764-1714.

WOMAN'S MINISTRY Meeting to unite and share fellowship. Dale United Methodist Church, 143 E. Lake St., Middletown. Info., 378-9744.

■ SUNDAY, MAY 22

DELAWARE ACCORDION CLUB 2 - 5 p.m. Meeting for an open mic session. Open to the public. Bear Diner & Restaurant, Route 40 and School Bell Road. Info., 738-7378.

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

■ MONDAY, MAY 23

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

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

SIMPLY JAZZERCISE 5:30 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

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

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

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

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

MEETINGS

SCOTTISH DANCING 7:30 p.m. St. Thomas Episcopal Church, S. College Ave. Info., 368-2318.

TAI CHI 2:30 p.m. Monday or Wednesday; 11:15 a.m. Friday. \$20 per month. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

■ TUESDAY, MAY 24

BUT YOU LOOK SO GOOD! 7 - 9 p.m. Support group. Grace Lutheran Church, Graves Road, Newport Gap Pike, Hockessin. Info., 994-3897.

COPING WITH LIFE & MS 4 - 5:30 p.m. Support group. St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 1314 Foulk Rd. Info., 479-5080.

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

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

SWEET ADELINES 8 - 10 p.m. Singing group. Listeners and new members welcome. New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., 731-5981.

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

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

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

MOMS CLUB/NEWARK 9:30 a.m. New

Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., 834-1505.

STAMP GROUP 1 p.m. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

NEWARK LIONS 6:30 p.m. Lions meeting with program. Holiday Inn, Route 273 and I-95. Info., 731-1972.

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

EPILEPSY SUPPORT 7 p.m. Meets at the Easter Seal Center Conference Room, Corporate Cir., New Castle. Info., 324-4455.

EATING DISORDER SUPPORT GROUP 7 - 8:30 p.m. Free and open to the public. Trinity Presbyterian Church, Naaman's and Darley Roads, Wilmington. Info., 475-1880.

CANCER SUPPORT 6:30 p.m. 405 Silverside/Carr Executive Center, Wilmington. Info., 733-3900.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT 7 - 9 p.m. Free & open to public. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

ADULTS WITH AD/HD 7:30 p.m. Support group meets at New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., 737-5063.

UNSCHOOLERS & OTHERS 7 p.m. Parents meet. Group also holds activities for homeschool families. Kirkwood Library. Info., 322-5950.

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

■ WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

CONSTITUENT BREAKFAST 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. Terry Schooley will attend to field questions and concerns. Eagle Diner, Elkton Road. Info., 577-8476.

SPINAL CORD INJURY SUPPORT GROUP 5 - 7 p.m. Meetings feature speakers and topics of interest to people with spinal cord injuries, as well as the opportunity to speak with therapists and social workers. Wilmington Hospital, Floor 6, OT Gym. Info., 428-6669.

C.H.A.D.D. 7:30 p.m. Parent/Educator support group meeting to support the lives of people with attention disorders through education, advocacy, and support. New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., 737-5063.

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

PARENT ADVISORY BOARD 7 p.m. Meetings alternate between Bayard and Keene schools. Info., 454-2500 or visit www.christina.k12.de.us.

CONSTITUENT MEETING 7 a.m. Rep. Melanie George of the 5th District and Rep. John Viola of the 26th District will meet for morning coffee and discuss a wide variety of concerns with constituents. Bob Evans Restaurant, Governor's Square, Bear.

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

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

GRIEFSHARE 7 p.m. Seminar and support group for those who have lost someone close to them. Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike. Info., 737-5040.

PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP 6:30 p.m. Meeting for men who are survivors of and newly diagnosed with prostate cancer. The American

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 - 22 Forbidden
 - 23 Start of a remark by 114 Across
 - 25 Teddy-bear president
 - 27 Tut's relative
 - 28 Ganesh or Hanuman
 - 29 That's the spirit
 - 30 Building wings
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 - 33 Actress Welch
 - 36 With 51 Across, "Wuthering Heights" author
 - 38 Face lift?
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 - 51 See 36 Across
 - 52 "— look at me!"
 - 53 Distinctive period
 - 54 Irving character
 - 56 Hotels
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 - 64 Trim a photo
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 - 66 Vittle statistics?
 - 68 He's got plans for you
 - 72 Skilled
 - 73 Pick-me-up
 - 74 Sheet of stamps
 - 75 Big name in kids' music
 - 77 TV's "Starsky and —"
 - 78 Get on
 - 80 Cougar
 - 81 Viscount's superior
 - 85 Put into service
 - 86 Partially open
 - 88 "Summer —" (72 hit)
 - 90 Mauna —
 - 91 Augsburg article
 - 92 End of remark
 - 97 Wise guy?
 - 98 Bother
 - 99 Like Hawaiian shirts
 - 100 Wails
 - 102 Vicar's assistant
 - 103 Bend
 - 105 Saucy
 - 106 It gets squirreled away
 - 108 Beastly place?
 - 109 Jacket info
 - 112 Gardener's friend
 - 114 Speaker of remark
 - 119 "— Gay"
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 - 121 Kind of opener?
 - 122 He's left holding the bag
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 - 1 Blind part
 - 2 Body-builder's pride
 - 3 Need
 - 4 Give it — (try)
 - 5 Big —, CA
 - 6 Reduce a risk
 - 7 Little lake
 - 8 "The — and I" ('47 film)
 - 9 Word with folk or fine
 - 10 Tenor
 - 11 Durham denizen
 - 12 Bobbin
 - 13 Cupid, in Corinth
 - 14 Sault — Marie, MI
 - 15 Collapse
 - 16 Ring — (seem familiar)
 - 17 Aquarium fish
 - 18 Saucepans
 - 24 Charged atom
 - 26 Witty Wright
 - 29 Spiritual guide
 - 31 Lilly of pharmaceuticals
 - 32 Do or die?
 - 33 Takes a break
 - 34 Exercise aftermath
 - 35 Status —
 - 37 Diner fare
 - 38 Self-important
 - 39 Blabby bird
 - 40 Borodin's "Prince —"
 - 41 Sermon subject
 - 42 Woodwind instrument
 - 44 The Furies, e.g.
 - 45 Toyota competitor
 - 46 Banned pesticide
 - 47 Defy a dictator
 - 48 Faced the day
 - 49 Stallion's sweetheart
 - 55 Lose control
 - 57 Pulverize
 - 58 Learning method
 - 59 Mimic
 - 61 Activist
 - 63 15th president
 - 64 Burn a bit
 - 66 Animal that roared?
 - 67 Log
 - 69 Pocket protector?
 - 70 Altar vessels
 - 71 He keeps lions in line
 - 73 Heavy blow
 - 76 Disconcert
 - 78 Bete noire
 - 79 Nev. neighbor
 - 80 Novel language?
 - 82 Baseball family name
 - 83 Crucifix
 - 84 Tramp's tootsie
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 - 88 Gravy vessel
 - 89 Finish the lawn
 - 93 "The Avengers" actress
 - 94 Knitter's need
 - 95 Monk's title
 - 96 Wicked stuff?
 - 97 Pay up
 - 100 Reeves of "The Matrix"
 - 101 Mistake
 - 102 It's walked at Windsor
 - 103 Watch pocket
 - 104 Crochet units
 - 105 Rind
 - 107 Winter wear
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 - 111 Gumbo veggie
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- Cancer Society Office, 92 Reads Way, Suite 205, New Castle. Info., 234-4227.
- LA LECHE LEAGUE 9:45 a.m. Meeting and discussion on breast-feeding and mothering. The Bible Fellowship Church, Newark. Info., 838-9444.
- FAMILY CIRCLES 5:30 p.m. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 658-5177.
- MOMS CLUB/BEAR 9:30 a.m. 345 School Bell Rd., Bear. Info., 832-2604.
- AT HOME MOTHERS CONNECTION 7:30 p.m. Meeting for moms only. St. Barnabas Church, Duncan Road. Info., 610-274-2165.
- SCHOOL MENTORING 6 - 7 p.m. Big Brothers-Big Sisters Wilmington Office, 102 Middleboro Rd. Info., 998-3577.
- SKI CLUB 7 p.m. Week-long & day ski trips, sailing, biking, rafting and more planned. Persons of all ages welcome to join. Hockessin Fire Hall. Info., 792-7070.
- CROHN'S AND COLITIS FOUNDATION 7:30 p.m. Wilmington Satellite Group, Christiana Hospital, Room 1100. Info.,

- 764-5717.
- BGCCCO MEETING 7 p.m. Bear Glasgow Council of Civic Organizations. Pencader Grange Hall, Glasgow Avenue and Old Route 896. Info., 832-0793.
 - DIAMOND STATE CROCHETERS 6 p.m. Limestone Medical Center, Room 005, Limestone Road. Info., 324-8585.
 - BINGO 12:45 p.m. Lunch available for \$2.25 a platter at 11:45 a.m. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

■ THURSDAY, MAY 26

- COFFEE & CONVERSATION 10:30 a.m. - Noon. A peer-facilitated group. Congregation Beth Emeth, 300 W. Lea Blvd., Wilmington. Info., 764-4335.
- NAMI-DE 7:30 p.m. Support group meeting for family members of persons living with mental illness. St. James Episcopal Church, Kirkwood Highway. Info., 427-0787.
- EVENING YOGA 6:15 p.m. Class to encourage relaxation and improve strength, balance, and peace of mind. \$15 per month. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

- TRICKS OF THE TRADE 7 p.m. Real estate seminar on home buying and selling. Free. Refreshments will be provided, seating is limited. DEXTA Federal Credit Union, 300 Foulk Rd. Wilmington, Info., 772-1200.
- BLUEGRASS/OLDTIME JAM 7:30 - 10 p.m. Any skill level welcome. Bring your own instrument. St. Thomas Episcopal Church, S. College Avenue.
- NEWCOMERS WELCOME CLUB 10 a.m. For new residents in the area. Membership is open to all women who would like to meet new people with similar interests. PAL Center, Hockessin. Info., 449-0992 or 733-0834.

- DIVORCECARE 7 - 8:30 p.m. Separated/divorced persons meet. Southern Chester County YMCA, East Baltimore Pike, Jennersville, Pa. Info., 610-869-2140.
- NEWARK MORNING ROTARY 7 - 8:15 a.m. Meeting and breakfast. The Blue & Gold Club, Newark. Info., 737-1711 or 737-0724.
- DSI THUMBS UP 7 - 8 p.m. Stroke support group meeting offering educational topics, peer support and guests who are experts in rehabilitative services. Sponsored by

- Delaware Stroke Initiative. Free. New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., 633-9313.
- TOASTMASTERS 7 p.m. Develop potential and overcome fear of public speaking. Public welcome. Check info desk for room location. Union Hospital, 106 Bow St. Info., 443-553-5358.
- BRIGHT FUTURES 1 p.m. Breast cancer support group. Medical Arts Pavilion 2, Christiana Hospital. Info., 733-3900.
- HOLISTIC HEALTH 7 p.m. Workshop by certified natural health professional. Free,

- pre-registration required. Rainbow Books, Main St., 368-7738.
- ALZHEIMERS SUPPORT GROUP 6:30 p.m. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.
- AARP 1:30 p.m. New Castle Chapter No. 4265 of AARP, Weston Community and Senior Center, New Castle. Info., 328-2830. NOT JUNE-AUG OR DEC
- COLONIAL STATES KNITTERS 7 p.m. Limestone Medical Center, Room 005, Limestone Road.

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Fisher to lead new program initiatives

CONSTANCE F. Fisher, Ed.D., has been selected by the Delaware Academy of Sciences to be the Director of Education Program Planning. The Academy is launching a new initiative called the "New Learning Center Project."

This project will include the design and construction of a learning center near the existing Iron Hill Museum on Iron Hill Park. Fisher will develop the educational programs that will be possible in the new facility.

The existing Iron Hill Museum involves 8,000+ elementary school students every year in programs that address a variety of the State science and social studies standards.

With this new initiative, led by Fisher, the Academy hopes to expand the scope of the programs as well as to develop programs for middle and secondary school students. In addition the Academy is working to develop a teacher training module as well as linkages with institutions of higher learning.

Fisher recently served as Assistant Superintendent for Instruction with the Red Clay Consolidated School District where she held full responsibility for instructional leadership for approximately 16,000 students, 900 teachers and 80 administrators across 26 schools in a demographically diverse community.

Fisher has three degrees, including a Doctor of Education from the University of Delaware and 24 years of professional experience in Delaware schools. Fisher has received numerous awards including the 2003 University of Delaware Education Alumni Golden Achievement Award, and the Award of Merit from the National School Public Relations Association for a Magnet School Marketing Campaign.

Fisher was inducted into the Hall of Excellence by the Delaware Association for Childhood Education in 1992. She was principal of the school that received Redbook's best in the State Award in 1995.

Nature center's fest Saturday

HAND-dipped ice cream, live music, pony rides and nature walks are just a few of the many things to do at the Fair Hill Nature Center's SpringFest held at the Cecil County Fairgrounds May 21 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

New this year to the annual fundraising event are the Foxtrot 5K run/walk and The Costello's, a father-son duo offering informal workshops on tenor banjo, five-string banjo and acoustic guitar.

"This year's SpringFest should be the best ever," said Cindy Miller, the nature center's executive director. "In addition to our regular children's activities and plant sales, we've got this incredible line up of local bands, a beautiful course for the 5K, great food provided by the Farm Museum folks, more crafters and vendors, and some really nice items donated for the silent auction."

The Foxtrot 5K Run/Walk will start the day with registration at 7 a.m. Pre-registration is encouraged by either downloading an entry form at www.fairhillnature.org or online at www.races2run.com. The race begins at 8 a.m.

At 9 a.m., SpringFest 2005 opens to the public and offers plenty of activities for children of all ages. These activities include

face painting, a moon bounce, an insect sweep and creek exploration and so much more.

For adults, the Newark band, The Delaware Rag, a five-piece, "new grass" ensemble will play traditional bluegrass cover songs, as well as original material. Other Delaware bands performing include Stained Grass, String and a Prayer, and JB Beverley & The Wayward Drifters.

Other adult activities include a silent auction, a juried craft show and a 50/50.

Proceeds from SpringFest 2005 allow community programs at the Fair Hill Nature Center to continue. Admission is free and parking is \$2.

For more information call 410-398-4909 or visit www.fairhillnature.org.

Recreating history

In 1638, Peter Minuit sailed the Kalmar Nyckel ship down the Christina River to begin the colony of New Sweden. A small part of this voyage was recreated by students of West Park Elementary School on May 4. As a part of their instructions on Delaware History, students from room 105, Mrs. Kaczmarczyk's classroom, sailed down the Christina River in Colonial costumes. They learned about the firing of a cannon, setting the sails, and viewed an original log cabin near the Swedish landing.



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Stubblebine places 2nd

Air Force Senior Airman **Charles H. Stubblebine** placed second in the Junior Enlisted Joint Service Board, Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo.

He competed against other Army, Navy, and Marine service members for the post award.

Stubblebine is a heavy equipment operator and pavements repair apprentice with four years of military service.

He is the son of C. Haig Stubblebine and May Stubblebine of Newark.

His wife, Pam, is the daughter of John and Lee Woomer of Bear.

The airman graduated in 1995 from Groves Adult High School, Newark, and received an associate degree in 2004 from the Community College of the Air Force.

Nixon ends training at Lackland AFB

Air Force Reserve Airman 1st Class **Richard J. Nixon** has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is the nephew of Allen Crooms of Newark.

Baeder out of basic

Air National Guard Airman 1st Class **Jeremy F. Baeder** has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training,

the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is the son of Evelyn Smith of Elkton, Md., and grandson of Ruth Hurst of Newark.

Baeder is a 1999 graduate of Elkton High School.

Booker completes basic training

Air Force Airman 1st Class **Tykiem M. Booker** has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Tx.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is the grandson of Pearlline Montgomery of Newark.

Booker is a 2003 graduate of Christiana High School, Newark.

Klimek heads to Afghanistan

Army Pfc. **James P. Klimek** is one of approximately 350 soldiers assigned to the 173rd Airborne Brigade based at Caserma Ederle, Vicenza, Italy, who will deploy to

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Mission objectives of the combined joint task force include establishing security, defeating Al-Qaida and Taliban forces, and deterring the re-emergence of terrorism. The soldiers are committed to staying the course in Afghanistan and standing firm with the Afghan people against forces actively working to prevent the establishment of a secure environment.

He is the son of Debra Favuzza of Newark.

Local woman reports to duty at hospital

Navy Hospitalman **Laura J. Hernandez**, daughter of Maria B. Rivera and Pascual Hernandez of

New Castle, recently reported for duty at Naval Hospital, Lemoore, Calif.

Hernandez is a 1999 graduate of William Penn High School of New Castle, Del.

Williams graduates from basic training

Air Force Airman **Stephen Williams III** has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship,



Williams

field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is the son of Jeannette Williams and Stephen Williams of Newark.

Williams is a 2003 graduate of Delcastle Technical High School, Wilmington.

Murison wins presidential service award

Kristin Murison, 13 of Newark, has been honored for her exemplary volunteer service with a President's Volunteer Service Award.



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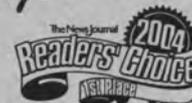
The award, which recognizes Americans of all ages who have volunteered significant amounts of their time to serve their communities and their country, was presented by the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program on behalf of the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation.

Kristin participated in the Spirit of Community program this year as a representative of the Tome School, where she is enrolled as an eighth grade student.

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Laura's Glen back before city council

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more about the plan.

The council will also continue the Laura's Glen hearing.

If approved, this petition would allow builders at The ReDevelopment Company LLC to build an eight-home subdivision on a 4.5-acre plot on Capitol Trail.

The subdivision, which is known as Laura's Glen, has generated debate in the community in the past several months. A team of vocal neighbors have appeared at every meeting where this issue has been on the agenda. Their list of complaints focused on the number of homes - they would like to see four built, not eight - and damage that would affect the floor plan, which overlaps the property.

The city council largely agreed with the protestors and tabled the decision, with the recommended changes for the plan. The council suggested that construction not affect the 500-year flood plain, that the base elevation of any home not extend into the flood plain and an increase in the size of the water run-off basin.

Despite the council's recommendations, protestors still face an uphill battle. The plan is code compliant as is, a fact that the ReDevelopment Company has often reminded council of. That point gives the petition a lot of pull. The builder's legal representative, Lisa B. Goodman, has pointed out in past council meetings that this could validate a court claim if the plan is not approved.

The ReDevelopment Company did make some changes to their plan since the last meeting. While no homes were eliminated, the builders did move all of the homes' base elevation out of the 500-year flood plain. As the plan stands, it will leave the majority of the flood plain undisturbed. However, about a quarter of that land will contain the development's flood management system.

In a letter to the city's staff, Glen Precht, president of The ReDevelopment Company, defended his company's stance on the matter.

"We have made substantial concessions with the plan to address concerns from the public and the City of Newark," he wrote. "We feel those concessions were reasonable, but the most recent motions requested by City Council are not reasonable and not consistent with the City's requirements and we will vigorously defend our position."

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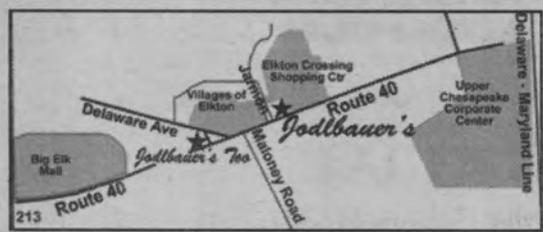
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Dodging the ball, teachers take the hit

By BROOKE HUMFELD

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

AT the sound of a whistle from the officials, participants dashed to the center of the court lined with multi-colored balls, creating a frenzy of throwing, dodging, and catching.

But this wasn't your average high school dodgeball game; this was Newark High School's very first Faculty Dodgeball Tournament held at the school on Friday, April 8.

The participants were Newark's very own teachers and administrators, including Principal Dr. Emmanuel Caulk, while the officials were Newark Student Government officers and student volunteers who seemed to thoroughly enjoy yelling "You're out!" to any faculty member who may have just been defeated with a blow to the stomach.

The game materialized when NSG officials senior Meredith Mosko and junior Chelsea Maher attended the Jostens's Leadership Conference at Brandywine High School and were encouraged to come up with a project that would benefit their school.

Maher and Mosko headed a project called "Respect Week". The two decided that respect was something that could be improved upon at NHS.

Throughout the week, Maher and Mosko, along with student volunteers, participated in activities to display respect for different aspects of the school. This included a Teacher Appreciation Day, a clean up of the school's outdoor courtyard, and "respect points" for students to earn from their teachers throughout the

week that could be redeemed for prizes provided by NSG, which included an MP3 Player, digital camera, and gift certificates.

The culmination of the week was the Friday night Faculty Dodgeball Tournament, which became a fun way for students to see their teachers get involved.

Senior Todd Heller said, "It was really interesting to see how athletic some of our teachers are, since we don't get to see that side of them everyday in school."

The students weren't the only ones excited. Social studies teacher Scott Kaplan explained, "The idea came about because we were all under a lot of stress in the beginning of the year, and there's no better way to relieve stress than to throw balls at your colleagues."

Before the tournament and in-between matches, local bands Centerview and Stranded on Third kept the students entertained. Maher explained, "Our original idea was to have a Battle of the Bands, but when Mr. Kaplan mentioned dodgeball, we thought it would be great to combine the two."

The faculty members were split into teams by the subject they teach, and everyone seemed to have their favorite. Senior Drew Teter explained, "I was rooting for the Math Department because there was some sort of bitter rivalry between math and social studies, and those social studies teachers needed to be put in their place!"

It seemed like a first at Newark High School to have so many teachers involved in, and surprisingly passionate about, an activity thought up and run completely by students.

See BALL, 23 ▶



One motley team, coordinated in black shirts and head scarves, participated the first NHS Faculty Dodgeball Tournament. Actually, they are the Social Studies Department, including Tyler and Brett Tomashek, Dick Martel, Matt Hammond, Kelly Hull, Sarah Dickerson, Scott Bacon, Tim Bower, Brent Freccia and Scott Kaplan. The game was the culmination to "Respect Week".

Current, future artists join forces at NAA

THE "Future Famous Fine Artists" exhibit by the Newark Arts Alliance puts the imagination and creativity of artists ages 14-18 on the walls of the Newark Arts Alliance. One of the state's current famous fine artists plays a major role, too.

Lisa Bartolozzi, of Newark, is not only jurying the show, she will give a talk and slide show on her work and the life of a professional artist as part of the opening reception on Thursday, May 26. Her presentation begins at 6:15 p.m. at the NAA, 100 Elkton Road. The reception will follow from 7-9 p.m. Bartolozzi will also select student work to receive awards, including gift certificates and art supplies.

Bartolozzi, one of Delaware's most renowned and well-respected artists, recently was named the recipient of the Delaware Division of the



Works like this mosaic by Newark High School student Drew Teeter, 17, will be on display as part of the Newark Arts Alliance's Future Fine Artists display. The display opens at the NAA Elkton Road location on Thursday, May 26 and runs until June 11.

Arts Masters Fellowship 2005. She is one of the few modern painters who works directly from the human figure, and often does multiple anatomical sketches of just one part of the figure until she feels it is right.

Her art is grounded in the classical tradition of drawing realistically from life models and using color and shading to bring depth and expression to the three-dimensional form

Bartolozzi's work has been featured in more than 40 exhibits in the United States and abroad, including solo shows at The Delaware Art Museum, The Delaware Division of the Arts, and the Philadelphia Art Museum's Samuel S. Fleisher Art Memorial.

■ The exhibit runs through June 11. Hours are Tuesday-Friday, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sunday, noon-4 p.m.; closed Monday.

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"Let us not forget the men and women serving even now, still in harm's way," Boulden said.

A series of musical presentations from the state's military bands, a presentation of wreaths and a 20 cannon salute paid tribute to the nation's servicemen and women.

As the flags from different eras in the nation's history waived in the spring breeze, Delaware

National Guard Chaplain Will Barnes led the crowd in prayer.

"Creator God, keep us mindful that even now we have Delawareans serving in foreign lands. Protect them and bring them home safely," he prayed. "And bid us to never take for granted or be disrespectful to the veterans gathered here today."

After the ceremony, troops from the Delaware National Guard and Air National Guard and JROTC programs from throughout the state marched on Main Street. The presented their weapons and era-uniforms to the tune of songs that would have been played as they marched to battle. Kids and parents alike kept beat with their feet. And even though the songs lifted spirits, parade-goers were mindful of why they were there.

"Our veterans fought for free-

dom, for world freedom," said Linda Burns, one of the volunteers behind the day's events. "And it's important to take a moment and remember them for that."

Holiday trash collection listed

Due to the Memorial Day holiday, refuse normally collected in the City of Newark on Monday, May 30 will be collected on Tuesday, May 31.

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Locals get national mention

By **MARTY VALANIA**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

It's not often that anything local gets a mention in Sports Illustrated — one of the nation's premiere sports magazines. Yet, if you looked closely, there were, not one but, two representations in the latest edition of the magazine.

First, the magazine looked at the top high school athletic programs in the country. None of our high schools made the national top 100, but St. Mark's was

named the top high school program in Delaware (the magazine picked a top school for each state).

It's really no wonder. St. Mark's produces state champion after state champion. It's amazing how many titles the school has won over the past decade. Heck, you name the time period and it's amazing to see how many state titles the school has won.

In addition to sheer numbers, the school has won in so many different sports. Soccer, girls soccer, swimming, track and field, softball, baseball, wrestling — the list goes on.

It's an honor well deserved.

Another local mention came from a comparison between Kevin Mench and Ken Griffey, Jr. The magazine showed the statistics of each player since 2002 and it noted that Mench actually had better numbers than the future Hall of Famer.

Speaking of Mench, I watched on ESPN Monday night as he belted two home runs to help the Rangers beat the White Sox.

Mench is off to a pretty good start this season. He has six home runs already.



Valania

Offensive outburst lifts Newark to win

By **JOE BACKER**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Newark batters pounded out 12 hits in a 20-6 road victory over Flight A rival Delcastle Tuesday afternoon.

In the process, the Yellowjackets broke a three-game losing streak heading into next week's Delaware state high school baseball tournament. "That was a big win for us today," said Newark's senior first baseman Scott Gardner. "It's been rough losing to teams we felt we could handle, if we came

out and played our best," he said. The Jackets grabbed a 2-0 lead in the top of the second, but Delcastle came right back against Newark starter Evan Walker in their half of the inning. The Cougars posted a four-spot on two hits, three walks a hit batter, and a well-executed suicide squeeze bunt by second baseman Jerry Johnson.

Newark's David Eisner relieved Walker with two outs, and shut down Delcastle over the next few innings. Eisner was also credited with the victory.

The Jackets responded well to

the challenge, as they scored three runs in the third to take a 5-4 lead.

Delcastle walked four batters in the inning, and its defense committed an infield error to account for the runs. Newark then blew the game wide open in the fourth, scoring ten times, while sending 14 batters to the plate.

Gardner led off the barrage with a walk, and later doubled and scored both times. Jackets coach Curt Bedford said his team did a lot of things well in breaking out of the three-game skid.

"We made the plays we had to make, and we got hits in key situations where we haven't been hitting well recently," he said. Bedford said the defense also showed up, "We probably committed four or five errors per game recently, so it was good to see us execute well and make the routine plays." Delcastle rallied for two more runs in the bottom of the fifth, but a five run explosion by Newark in the top of the sixth resulted in the game being shortened by an inning.

See **NEWARK, 19** ▶

Blue Hens fall to Navy in NCAA



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY MIKE BIGGS

UD rally comes up short

The Navy men's lacrosse team scored six consecutive goals during the second and third quarters and held off a furious Delaware rally to defeat the Blue Hens, 9-7, in the NCAA Division I Men's Lacrosse First Round Saturday afternoon at Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium.

The third-ranked and fifth-seeded Midshipmen, who improved to 12-3, will face Virginia Saturday in the quarterfinals at Homewood Field on the campus of Johns Hopkins University. Delaware, which was making its third NCAA Tournament appearance and its first since 1999, ends its season with an 11-6 record. The Blue Hens' 11 wins are tied for the third most in a single season in Delaware history.

The Blue Hens stayed with the Midshipmen early, and a goal by Andy Hipple off an assist from Dan Hechtkopf tied the game at 2-2 just eight seconds into the second quarter. However Navy scored the final four goals of the first half, and goals by Nick Mirabito and Seth DiNola just nine seconds apart gave the Midshipmen an 8-2 lead with 9:11 remaining in the third quarter.

However Delaware, which was playing without its second leading goal scorer in senior Dave Powers who had broken his

See **LACROSSE, 18** ▶

Delaware's John Corrozza breaks toward the Navy goal in fourth quarter action of the NCAA Tournament.

Delaware rally comes up just short against Navy

▶ LACROSSE, from 18

hand in practice this week, answered by scoring the final three goals of the quarter. Hechtkopf ignited the run with an unassisted goal at the 4:57 mark to break Delaware's 24:55 scoreless drought, and he found Drew Turner for a goal with 2:31 remaining to bring the Blue Hens within four. Jordan Hall then scored his team-leading 29th goal of the season with 24 seconds on the clock to make it an 8-5 game heading into the final quarter.

Clipper Lennon scored an unassisted goal with 8:30 remaining to put Navy back up four, but Hipple found Turner for a goal

with 2:28 left and Joe Trentzsch scored off a feed from Hall to bring Delaware within two and extend his scoring streak to 19 straight games. The Blue Hens then won the ensuing faceoff and Cam Howard fired a shot past Navy goalkeeper Matt Russell, but the goal was disallowed as Delaware had called a timeout before Howard got his shot off. Neither team would score again as the Midshipmen held on for the two-goal victory.

Navy, which advanced to the national championship game last season, held a 41-32 shot advantage and a slim 36-35 edge in groundballs. Alex Smith, the nation's leader in faceoff percentage, won 11 of 20 faceoffs for the

Blue Hens. Russell stopped 13 shots in the Navy goal, while Chris Collins (above) made 12 saves for Delaware.

"I was pleased with our effort all year," Blue Hen head coach Bob Shillinglaw said. "Our guys hustled their hearts out. We went down 8-2 and our guys could have decided to ride it out, but they kept playing hard and they just came up short. We didn't capitalize on some things early and that hurt us."

The Midshipmen, who entered the game leading the nation by allowing just 6.33 goals per game, struck first when Billy Looney scored an unassisted goal with 9:45 remaining in the opening quarter, but Howard made it a

1-1 game with an unassisted goal at the 5:11 mark. Cody Shea gave Navy a 2-1 lead after the first period after scoring off a Ben Horn feed with just 10 seconds remaining in the quarter.

Hipple's goal early in the second tied the game, but Mirabito scored off an assist from Tommy Wallin with 9:36 left and just 1:50 later scored off a William Wallace feed to give the Midshipmen a 4-2 advantage. Graham Gill found Horn for a goal with 3:34 to play before Wallace scored an unassisted goal with 2:13 remaining as Navy took a 6-2 lead into halftime.

Marabito scored his third goal of the game off an assist from Wallace with 9:20 to go in the

third quarter and it looked like Navy might pull away when Chris Pieczonka found DiNola for a goal nine seconds later, but the Blue Hens scored five of the final six goals.

Navy, which improved to 16-2 all-time against Delaware including 9-0 in Annapolis, got three goals from Mirabito, a goal and two assists from Wallace, and a goal and an assist from Horn. Turner scored a team-high two goals for the Blue Hens, while Hechtkopf, who made his first career start in place of Powers, added a goal and two assists. Hipple and Hall each contributed a goal and an assist for Delaware.

Jackets rip Delcastle

▶ NEWARK, from 18

Newark outfielder Todd Heller said he felt the team was ready to produce, "We're used to winning, so I feel this will help give us some momentum heading into the playoffs. Who knows? We may be able to sneak up on some teams this year." The Jackets' record improved to 12-7 overall, and 3-3 in Flight A, while Delcastle finished the

season with a 7-13 record. Cougar coach Dave Battafarano said, despite the lopsided game, he was proud of his team's effort.

"Our guys didn't quit today, and they didn't quit all season. We started out 1-8, but the team pulled together, and won six games in a row at one point. And that should help build some momentum for next season," he said.

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Francis P. Cannatelli

Former Newark resident Francis P. Cannatelli died suddenly on Saturday, May 7, 2005. Mr. Cannatelli graduated from Christiana High School in 1977. He earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Delaware in 1981, where he was president of the Theta Chi fraternity. He began his professional career with the DuPont Company. In the 12 years with DuPont, he and his family lived in Charleston, W.Va., Newark, Wilmington, N.C., Charleston, S.C. and New London, Pa. He and his family relocated to Rehoboth Beach in 1996, where he was co-owner of Peninsula Masonry. He was an active member of the Jean and Joan Fund, a voluntary fund directing donations toward patients receiving treatment at the Tunnell Cancer Center. He was most recently acting chairman of

Elizabeth Bart-Felin, 70, Broadway actress

ELIZABETH Bart-Felin, 70, of Newark, died on Saturday, May 14, 2005. Mrs. Bart-Felin, the daughter of the late William and Mae Conroy, was born on Oct. 14, 1934 in Wappingers Falls, N.Y. She began her acting career on Broadway and after moving to Delaware became very involved in local theatre. She had the distinction of being the recipient of numerous awards for her many performances. She was a Life Member of the Brandywiners,

Ltd., was very active with the Wilmington Drama League. Before retiring from Astro Power, Inc. in 2002, she worked in human resources for HCA Rockford Center, Riverside Hospital, Specialty Composites, and Olsten Temporary Services. Along with her parents, her older sister Joan Hyatt in 2005, and brother Billy Conroy, she was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Felin, III, in January 2000. She is survived by her three

sons, Keith Bart and his wife, Cindy, Kevin Bart and his wife, Diane, and David Bart and his wife, Judy; ten grandchildren and four nephews. A funeral service was to be held on Wednesday, May 18 at the funeral home. Interment will follow in Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 2465 Chesapeake City Road, Bear. Please make contributions to the Ministry of Caring, 506 N. Church Street, Wilmington, Del. 19801

Rossmann, of Chesapeake, Va.; and Roxy W. Scott, of Phoenixville, Pa. He is also survived by 3 grandchildren. A memorial service was to be on Friday, May 13, at Mealey Funeral Home. Interment was to be on Friday, May 13 in the Great Valley Presbyterian Church Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Teen Challenge, PO Box 4196, Philadelphia, Pa. 19144.

Glenna Cunningham

Newark resident Glenna Ferne Cunningham, 63, died on Wednesday, May 11, 2005. Mrs. Cunningham is survived by three sisters, Mae Stewart and her husband, Glenn, of Bear, Reva Kriley and her husband, Richard, of Grantsville, Md. and Joanne Killen, of Toledo, Ohio; and many nieces and. A funeral service was to be held on Tuesday, May 17, at the chapel of Gracelawn Memorial Park. Interment was to follow in Gracelawn Memorial Park.

Wilhelmina Thompson

Wilhelmina R. Thompson, 65, of Newark, died Wednesday, May 11, 2005. Mrs. Thompson retired from the Hercules Inc. Research Center. She was a member of Red Lion Evangelical Free Church. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Marie A. Blackston. Survivors include son, Kevin Righter, of Mich.; daughters, Adriane D. Thompson, of Wilmington and Clarissa R. Thompson and Terry R. Thompson, both of Atlanta; seven grandchildren, and many other family member and friends. There was to be a funeral service on Monday, May 16 at the Red Lion Evangelical Church. Interment was to be in Gracelawn Memorial Park.

the Recognition Committee.

He was preceded in death by his father, Leonard Cannatelli, Sr. He is survived by his wife, Kathleen; daughters, Kristen and Colleen; son, Troy; and his mother, Julia Cannatelli. He is also survived by a sister, Carol and her husband, Michael Barton, of Hockessin; and brothers, Len and his wife, Judy Cannatelli, of Newport Beach, Calif., and Kevin and his wife, Robin Cannatelli, of Fenwick Island.

Friends may call at the Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium.

A funeral mass was to be offered at St. Jude the Apostle Catholic Church on Monday, May 16.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Jean and Joan Fund, 15 Themarketplace, Suite 134, Rehoboth Beach, Del. 19971.

Henry Wilson

Henry R. Wilson, III, 54, of

Newark, died on Wednesday, May 11, 2005.

Mr. Wilson was a stockbroker for many years in Wilmington. An accomplished author, he wrote and copyrighted a book on billiards. He graduated from Solanco High School in 1969 and from Shippensburg State College in 1973.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Ruth Wilson. He is survived by two children, Henry R. Wilson, IV and Deanna Wilson, both of Newark; his father, Henry R. Wilson, II, of Greenville, S.C.; four sisters, Dana Custer, of Asheville, N.C.; Beverly Ann Wilson, of Bethel, Pa.; Judith W.

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▶ BLOTTER, from 2

Newark police arrested 24-year-old Kenneth Joseph Hines Jr., of Bedford, N.H., at 3:41 a.m. on Thursday, May 12, at 123 E. Main St.

The arrest followed an altercation involving a knife with a security guard who was investigating what was described as "banging and screaming," Newark police said.

Hines was charged with aggravated menacing and possession of a deadly weapon during the commission of a felony. He was released on \$5,000 unsecured bail, police said.

Drink doctored

Newark police are investigating whether a drink consumed by a 19-year-old woman was drugged.

The incident took place inside an apartment in the 100 block East Main Street between 2 and 3 a.m. on Wednesday, May 11.

Police said the victim sought treatment at the Christiana Hospital emergency room.

No further details were available but the investigation continues, police said.

School assault

Newark police learned that an 11-year-old suffered a sprained shoulder during an assault that took place during a gym class at Newark Charter School, 812 Elkton Road, officers were told by the victim's mother on Wednesday, May 11, at 6:01 p.m.

Officer assault

Newark police said a uniformed officer suffered slight injuries while attempting to arrest two men on West Delaware Avenue at 1:17 a.m. on Friday, May 13.

Police said the officer was hit in the head by a cast worn on the arm of one man. Both men fell to the ground and struggle followed.

The officer was cut on the forehead and had a swollen finger, police

said.

Brennan Demica, 19, of Ocean City, N.J., was charged with assault second degree, resisting arrest and underage consumption of alcohol, according to police.

Warrants expected

Newark police said warrants were expected soon following an incident at 2:19 a.m. on Friday, May 13 at 329 E. Main St.

Police said a security guard reported that persons were throwing beer cans and bottles and a beer keg from a fourth floor balcony onto the courtyard of the apartment complex. A couch also had been thrown out a window onto a parking lot.

When Newark officers arrived, a jar of peanut butter was heaved.

Police said they expect to obtain warrants soon against some apartment residents.

Vehicles hit

Newark police reported that thieves and vandals targeted a number of vehicles here recently. Some of the reports include:

31 Thorn Lane, on Sunday, May 15, at 5:06 p.m., police were told that the soft top and windows of a 1999 Jeep Wrangler had been slashed, damage estimated to be \$800;

108 W. Main St., on Sunday, May 15, at 2:17 a.m., passenger side mirror broken on a 2001 Honda Civic;

911 Devon Place, on Friday, May 13, at 9:18 a.m., police were told that two vehicles belonging to the same owner were spraypainted sometime the previous night;

276 E. Main St., on Thursday, May 12, at 10:28 p.m., window of 1999 Saturn shattered;

12 Madison Dr., on Thursday, May 12, at 7:22 a.m., window broken and amplifier and speakers stolen from 1989 Honda Civic;

334 E. Main St., on Thursday, May 12, at 6:58 a.m., window of parked vehicle broken; and

Kent Way at Orchard Road, on Wednesday, May 11, at 8:27 p.m.,

three cars spraypainted.

Alcohol, noise law citations listed

Officers of the Newark Police Department have continued stepped-up enforcement of alcohol-related and noise laws here as the University of Delaware spring semester nears its end. Some of the recent arrests include:

Thomas M. Deptula, 24, of New Castle, loitering and resisting arrest, **Michael Matarese**, 23, of Wilmington, maintaining a disorderly premise, and **Kyle C. Tush**, 23, of Middletown, maintaining a disorderly premise, on Sunday, May 15, at 2:42 a.m., at 56 Prospect St., as police were dispersing a crowd of 30 after receiving a loud party complaint;

Michael Schorah Jr., 20, of Elkton, Md., underage consumption of alcohol, underage possession of alcohol, possession of an unsealed bottle of alcohol in a motor vehicle, and driving under the influence, on Sunday, May 15, at 1:38 a.m., after a Newark officer on patrol performed a vehicle stop on East Delaware Avenue;

Timothy Ortlip, 19, of Newark, noise law violation, and **Jacob A. Cohen**, 20, of Newark, noise law violation, on Sunday, May 15, at 1:10 a.m., at 629 Lehigh Road;

Leslie A. Stover, 20, of Newtown, Pa., noise law violation, and **Tara Jakeway**, 20, of Bronxville, N.Y., noise law violation, on Sunday, May 15, at 12:47 a.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave.;

Matthew Everett Mascitti, 21, of Hockessin, possession of an open container of alcohol, on Saturday, May 14, at 4:45 p.m., at 37 N. Chapel St.;

Jarrett Morris, 21, and **Joseph B. Lazorik**, 22, both of Newark, each charged with a noise law violation, on Saturday, May 14, at 3:54 a.m., at Alpha Tau Omega, 153 Courtney St.;

Kevin Eric Altmann, 22, and **Lindsay G. Hamilton**, 23, both of Newark, each charged with a noise law violation, on Saturday, May 14, at 3:40 a.m., at 1219 Wharton Dr.;

Michael Brennan, 22, noise law violation, on Saturday, May 14, at 2:22 a.m., at 36 Kells Ave.;

Gregory J. Melasecca Jr., 19, of Wilmington, underage consumption of alcohol, on Saturday, May 14, at 1:56 a.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave.;

Todd A. Moitz, 21, **Sean M. O'Sullivan**,

20, and **Timothy P. Tyrell**, 21, all of Newark, each charged with maintaining a disorderly premise, on Saturday, May 14, at 12:22 a.m., after police received a noise complaint and dispersed about 150 persons from a party at 37 E. Park Pl.;

Kevin Mills, 21, of Hopewell, N.J., and **Christopher M. Turso**, 21, of East Brunswick, N.J., each charged with maintaining a disorderly premise, on Friday, May 13, at 1:03 a.m., after Newark and University of Delaware police witnessed a fight; and

Alex M. Belnap, 20, of Kings Park, N.Y., **Kevin L. Neeld**, 20, of West Chester, Pa., **John F. Colford III**, 20, of Deer Park, N.Y., and **Richard A. Galagano**, 19, of Paramus, N.J., each charged with maintaining a disorderly premise, on Thursday, May 12, at 11:41 p.m., at 54 Church St.

Police said all were released pending court appearances.

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Municipal Building, 220 Elkton Road, at 9 a.m. and returns at 8 p.m.

Baseball fans can hop on a city-chartered bus to watch the Baltimore Orioles play the New York Yankees at Camden Yards on Tuesday, June 28.

Before the game, day trippers can grab a bite to eat at the Inner Harbor or watch batting practice at the stadium.

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"If your animal is registered, this could help you get it back, instead of having it spend the night at the SPCA," says Animal Control Officer Donna Vickers.

The voluntary pet registration form, which was recently sent out to city residents in their water bill, asks for basic information. Owners list the breed, color, age and weight of their pet in addition to phone numbers for their home, veterinary and an emergency contact. This information is then entered into a database that is accessible to the NPD, SPCA and

some vets.

While it may seem like a lot of information, the list of contacts is vital to the programs success, Vickers says.

"If we can't contact you, we'll go on to your emergency contact," she says. "Then, if we can't reach anyone at that number, or if your animal is hurt, we'll move on to the vet."

While the pet registration is a good preventative measure, it does not guarantee that you and Spot will be reunited immediately. If no one can be reached, the pet will still go to the SPCA until you can be reached.

Vickers recommends also looking into using an identifying microchip and ensuring that the animal always wears its personal ID tag. But she stresses that even these steps are not fool proof.

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Newark-based group receives grant to save hummingbirds

► BIRDS, from 3

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the only birds of its type that tries to avoid the hummingbird's trademark of hovering during feeding. Instead, it prefers to rest

on the plant. It is also one of the only vocal hummingbirds.

"It is a noisy bird," Hawkins says. "It's the only hummingbird that I've ever heard that is noisy. It's the loudest in the world as far as I know. You hear it, and think to yourself, 'What is that?' You just can't believe it's a hummingbird."

Hawkins' imitation of the bird is a shrill whooping that sounds more like a Star Wars Wookiee than bird.

This noisy creature, that only lives on an island thousands of

miles away, will have a little Delaware help.

The Newark-based nonprofit is teaming up with the American Bird Conservancy and the Juan Fernandez Islands Conservancy to change the plight of the bird. The Hummingbird Society will drum up awareness while the other two organizations will raise funds and educate locals about how to save the Firecrown.

"We're just getting started," Hawkins says. "We're going to bring money and publicity. We have a very visible publicity cam-

paign and we're going to use that."

The Newark organization will also publish a Powerpoint presentation that conservancy groups can use.

While Hawkins' group has lofty plans for the bird, there are mixed reviews about its future.

"I think the odds are good for a success," Hawkins says. "But we can't waste any time. Every time a bird dies, it's half of one percent of the total population."

Newark Lions give \$1,000 to top teen

► TEEN, from 3

He also won the gavel at the Model United Nations for two years running. This is a coveted prize given to one participant each year.

"Model UN is a lot of work,"

said Carl Kaminsky a member of the Lions Club. "But to win the gavel, you have to be exceptional.

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For his hard work, Paul received a \$1,000 check and another award to go on his already impressive resume.

Local residents earn Dean's List status

Two Newark residents are among the 1,529 people named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at Millersville University of Pennsylvania.

Amanda L. Bell and **Julia**

Szczecinski both received GPAs between 3.5 and 4.0.

Freshman **Sarah Mitchell**, daughter of Kevin Bolen and Anne Gullo of Newark, earned dean's list honors for the fall

semester at Lynchburg College.

Robin Piser, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Piser of Newark, was named to the Dean's List for the fall 2004 semester at Washington University in St. Louis.

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► BALL, from 16

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Lecture canceled

A lecture by John Bolton, U.S. under-secretary of state for arms control and international security, which was scheduled for Wednesday, May 18, at the University of Delaware was canceled.

The lecture would have been the final part of "Prescription for the President: Policy Medicine for Global Challenges," a series of Global Agenda lectures.

"The Senate confirmation process for Deputy Secretary of State John Bolton to be U.S. ambassador to the United Nations will not be complete by the scheduled date of his appearance at the University of Delaware. Therefore, Mr. Bolton has requested that we postpone his appearance to a future date," lecture series organizer Ralph Begleiter said.

For more information on the speakers and their subjects, visit www.udel.edu/global.

For general information on the series, call the Department of Communication at 831-8041.

Course nurtures budding academics

STEVEN Quiring, a graduate geography student from Newark, and Alyssa Collins, a graduate research assistant in plant and soil sciences, are among the first to take advantage of the University of Delaware's new Higher Education Teacher Certification program.

The Higher Education Teacher Certification (HETC) program, a free program that teaches graduate students how to get information across to students in a well-organized way, uses a mix of reading, WebCT and seminars.

Gabrielle Bauer, a teaching consultant with UD's Center for Teaching Effectiveness, crafted a program flexible enough to fit grad students' schedules and relevant to a variety of disciplines.

The aim is to strengthen the quality of undergraduate instruction, make teaching assistants at



PHOTO BY KEVIN QUINLAN

Steven Quiring, a graduate geography student.

UD more effective and preparing graduate students for future faculty careers, Bauer said.

UD's MBNA Career Services Center collaborated with Bauer on "Academic Job Search," one of

the four HETC courses. Marianne Green, assistant director of career services, co-taught the course, conducting mock interviews and critiquing the grad students' curricula vitae and cover letters.

Banjo Oriade, a physics graduate student from Wilmington, compared the Higher Education Teaching Certification program to a springboard that will land him in a faculty position.

Collins, who said she, too, is a much better teacher after taking the certification program, thinks others would benefit too.

Quiring, who just accepted an assistant professor position in Texas A&M's geography department, said those who take the HETC program will have a different job-hunting experience, too.

UD students donate hair to children without

SEVENTY-FIVE University of Delaware students recently had their tresses trimmed to donate to Locks of Love to make hair prostheses for children 18 and younger who are suffering from long-term medical hair loss.

Sponsored by Residence Life and UD's Resident Student Association and coordinated by students Denise Murray, Katie Amour, Brandon Townsend and 20 volunteers, the Locks of Love event yielded 68 feet of hair that will now become hair pieces for

those who have lost their hair for any medical reason, including a disease known as alopecia areata that has no known cause or cure. Locks of Love provides real-hair prostheses to children to help restore their self-esteem.

Murray said this was the first time that a Locks of Love event was held at UD. "Twelve hairdressers volunteered--from Rumors, Cat's Eye, J.C. Penney (Christiana Mall), Perry Anthony, Salon by Anthony, Clara Bella and Maureen's. Platinum helped out by cutting girls' hair at their salon because of the overwhelming response."

Murray said that for those who are interested in donating at least 10 inches of hair to Locks of Love, the salons style their hair for free. For a list of participating



Alumna Karla Berger before (left) and after her donation of Locks of Love.

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"I'd like to see this become an annual event," Murray said.

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UD prez seeks funding for capital projects

THE University of Delaware requested \$8.5 million to fund major and minor renewal and renovation projects during its FY2006 request to the Capital Bond Committee of the Delaware General Assembly in Dover.

President David P. Roselle, in remarks to lawmakers, expressed the hope that improved economic conditions in Delaware would help to restore the full financial partnership between UD and the state. Roselle also reminded legislators of UD's willingness to work with the state in addressing budget issues during lean economic times.

"The University has been an active partner with the state in addressing resource constraints over the years," Roselle said. "It is my hope that we can enhance our partnership with the state in addressing the capital needs of Delaware's pre-eminent institution of higher education. In light of our proactive partnership, we ask that you assist us with our capital request to the greatest extent possible."

Roselle said that by investing more than \$5 of its own resources for every state dollar it receives, UD provides an extraordinary leverage for state money appropriated for capital projects.

"I know of no other public higher education institution in the country with that record, and certainly no other agency within the state of Delaware provides that sort of leverage," Roselle said.

Heading the list for FY2006 capital budget requests is \$6 million for the renovation of Brown Laboratory.

Named in memory of H. Fletcher Brown, UD benefactor and member of the Board of Trustees from 1929-44, the building houses the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry. The

west and north wings of Brown Laboratory were built in 1936-37 and 1960-61, respectively, and are in need of modernization with respect to physical space and technology, Roselle said.

The \$22 million project, which will be shared between UD and the state, is essential in providing state-of-the-art teaching and research facilities for the Department of Chemistry and

Biochemistry, Roselle said.

Any decrease in state commitment to the project, Roselle said, means that UD will have to take funds earmarked for other projects to bridge the gap in funding

until the state's obligation is fully realized.

Roselle also asked legislators to include \$1.5 million for facilities renewal and renovation that was previously appropriated to UD's operating budget in FY2003 and FY2004 but did not appear as part of the governor's recommended operating or capital budget for FY2006.

The state, Roselle said, would not be asked to assume the full burden of facilities renewal and renovation because UD would be matching the state's commitment on at least a one-to-one basis.

"These funds are absolutely essential to supporting continued renovation of our academic buildings," Roselle said. "To summarily lose those funds places an undue burden on a University that has been more than responsive in using its own resources to assist the state through difficult economic times."

The University also is seeking \$1 million in funds not recommended by the governor for minor capital improvements and equipment. Roselle said the loss of this standard request, combined with the loss of \$1.5 million for facilities renewal and renovation would impose an undue hardship on the university.

"The funds requested in FY2006 are to be used for teaching and research equipment in the life and health sciences and in the area of engineering infrastructure," Roselle said. "As was the case with our request for facilities renewal and renovation, UD will match state-appropriated dollars on at least a one-to-one basis."

Roselle also noted that the governor recommended a \$2 million appropriation for FY2006 for the Elbert N. and Ann V. Carvel Research and Education Center in Georgetown.

Talk by Ben Franklin expert set June 2

NEWARKER J. A. Leo Lemay, Henry Francis du Pont Winterthur Professor of English, will give the Annual Faculty Lecture, sponsored by the University of Delaware Library Associates, at 4:30 p.m., Thursday, June 2, in the Morris Library Reserve Room, on UD's Newark campus. His topic is "Benjamin Franklin: An Overview with Remarks on His Salient Characteristics."

A reception will follow with books by Lemay available for purchase and signing.

A noted authority on early American literature, Lemay is working on a seven-volume, 7,000-page biography of Franklin, which will be published by the University of Pennsylvania Press, with the first two volumes planned for 2005.

Joining the UD faculty in 1977, Lemay received UD's highest faculty honor, the Francis Alison Award in 2003. He was named Honored Scholar of Early American Literature by the Modern Language Association's Division of American Literature to 1800. Among his honors are a Guggenheim Fellowship, a senior fellowship at the National Endowment for the Humanities twice, an



Lemay

Institute for Advanced Study Fellowship at UD twice, a Huntington Library fellowship and grants from the American Philosophical Society and Colonial Williamsburg. His students and friends compiled a 'festschrift' for him in 2001, Finding Colonial Americas: Essays Honoring J.A. Leo

Lemay. He has served on the editorial board of American Literature and the William and Mary Quarterly.

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